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1. Generating Device Programming Files

By default, the Compiler's Assembler module generates the primary files required for device programming at the end of full compilation. Alternatively, you can run the Assembler independently any time after design place and route to generate primary device programming files, such as SRAM Object Files (.sof) for configuration of Intel® FPGAs.

Table 1. Assembler Generated Primary Programming Files

Programming File	Description		
SRAM Object Files (.sof)	A binary file containing the data for configuration of all SRAM-based Intel FPGA devices.		
Programmer Object Files (.pof)	A binary file that contains the data for programming non-volatile Intel MAX® 10, MAX V, MAX II, or flash memory devices that can configure Intel FPGA devices.		
Partial-Masked SRAM Object Files (.pmsf)	For partial reconfiguration (PR) designs, contains the PR region definition and configuration data for re-configuration of a device region.		
Raw Binary Files (.rbf)	For partial reconfiguration (PR) designs, contains configuration data that an intelligent external controller uses to configure an SRAM-based Intel FPGA device.		

After running the Assembler, you can use the Intel Quartus® Prime Programmer to load the programming file to a device for configuration.

After generating primary device programming files, you can optionally generate one or more secondary programming files for alternative device configurations, such as flash programming, partial reconfiguration, remote system update, Configuration via Protocol (CvP), or hard processor system (HPS) core configuration.

Related Information

- Generating Primary Device Programming Files on page 4
- Generating Secondary Programming Files on page 5
- Programming Intel FPGA Devices on page 25
- Programming with Flash Loaders on page 32

1.1. Generating Primary Device Programming Files

Specify options that impact primary device programming file generation before generating the files with the Assembler.

Follow these steps to generate primary device programming files:

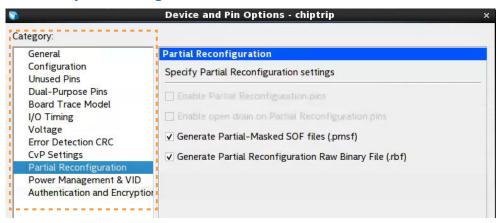
Before running the Assembler, click Assignments ➤ Device ➤ Device & Pin
Options to specify options for device configuration and optional generation of
secondary programming files, as Device & Pin Options Dialog Box on page 36
describes.

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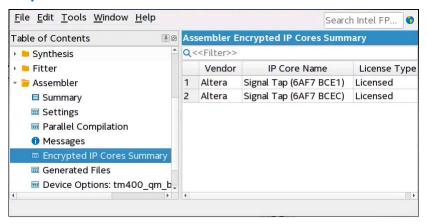


Figure 1. Device & Pin Options Dialog Box



- To generate primary device programming files, click Processing ➤ Start ➤ Start
 Assembler, or double-click Assembler on the Compilation Dashboard. The
 Compiler confirms that prerequisite modules are complete, and launches the
 Assembler to generate the programming files that you specify. The Messages
 window dynamically displays processing information, warnings, or errors.
- 3. After running the Assembler, view detailed information about programming file generation, including the programming file Summary and Encrypted IP information in the Assembler report folder in the Compilation Report.

Figure 2. Assembler Reports



1.2. Generating Secondary Programming Files

Alternative device programming methods, such as partial reconfiguration and remote system update, require generation of specific secondary programming files after generation of the primary programming files. You can use the **Programming File Generator** or **Convert Programming Files** dialog box to generate secondary programming files for alternative device programming methods.

Programming File Generator is optimized for Intel Stratix[®] 10 devices and later device families. The **Convert Programming Files** dialog box supports all device families prior to and including Intel Stratix 10 devices, but does not support some advanced programming features for Intel Stratix 10 devices.⁽¹⁾







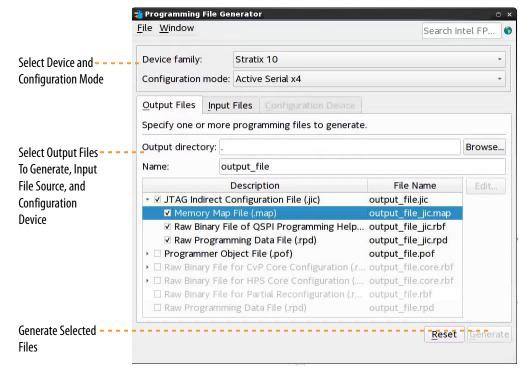
Table 2. Secondary Programming File Generators

	Programming File Generator	Convert Programming Files		
Device Support	Intel Stratix 10 Intel MAX 10 Intel Cyclone® 10 LP	Intel Stratix 10 Intel Arria® 10 Intel Cyclone 10GX and LP Intel MAX 10	APEX20K, Arria II GX and GZ, Arria V, Cyclone, Cyclone II, Cyclone III and LS, Cyclone IV E and GX, Cyclone V, HardCopy [®] III, HardCopy II, HardCopy IV, MAX V, Stratix, Stratix II, Stratix III, Stratix IV, Stratix V	

1.2.1. Generate Secondary Programming Files (Programming File Generator)

You can use the **Programming File Generator** to generate programming files for alternative device programming methods, such as the .jic for flash programming, .rbf for partial reconfiguration, or .rpd for third-party programmer configuration.

Figure 3. Programming File Generator



The options available in the **Programming File Generator** change dynamically, according to your device and configuration mode selection.

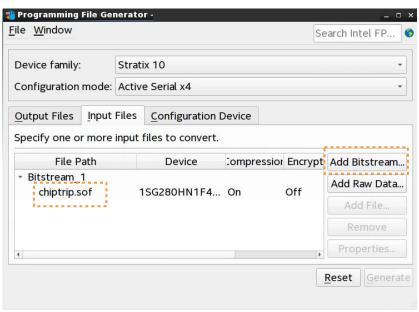
⁽¹⁾ For Intel Stratix 10 devices, Convert Programming Files dialog box supports only full device image file generation, and does not support generation of a system update JTAG Indirect Configuration File (.jic), nor Raw Programming Data File (.rpd). Use Programming File Generator to generate Intel Stratix 10 programming files.





- Generate the primary programming files for your design, as Generating Primary Device Programming Files on page 4 describes.
- 2. Click File ➤ Programming File Generator.
- 3. For **Device family**, select **Stratix 10**.
- For Configuration mode, select an Active Serial mode that your device supports. Configuration Modes (Programming File Generator) on page 9 describes all modes.
- 5. On the **Output Files** tab, enable the checkbox for generation of the file you want to generate. The **Input Files** tab is now available. Secondary Programming Files (Programming File Generator) on page 8 describes all output files.
- 6. Specify the **Output directory** and **Name** for the file you generate. Output Files Tab Settings (Programming File Generator) on page 43 describes all options.
- 7. To specify a .sof file that contains the configuration bitstream data, on the **Input Files** tab, click **Add Bitstream**. To include raw data, click **Add Raw Data** and specify a Hexadecimal (Intel-Format) File (.hex) or Binary (.bin) file.
- 8. To enable bitstream signing or encryption security settings, select the .sof file and click **Properties**, as Enabling Bitstream Encryption or Co-Signing (Programming File Generator) on page 21 describes.

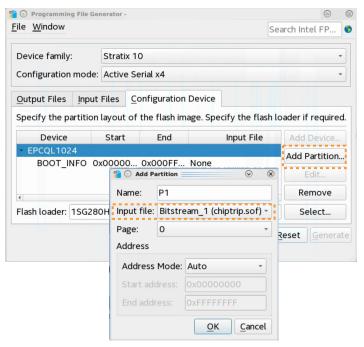
Figure 4. Input Files Tab



 On the Configuration Device tab, click Add Partition to specify the .sof file that occupies the flash memory partition, as Add Partition Dialog Box (Programming File Generator) on page 45 describes.



Figure 5. Add Flash Partition



- 10. To select a supported flash memory device and predefined programming flow, on the Configuration Device tab, click Add Device. Alternatively, click << new device>> to define a new flash memory device and programming flow. Configuration Device Tab Settings (Programming File Generator) on page 44 describes all settings.
- 11. Click the **Select** button for **Flash Loader** and select the device that controls loading of the flash memory device (for example, an Intel Stratix 10 device). Select Devices (Flash Loader) Dialog Box on page 47 describes all settings.
- 12. After you specify all options in **Programming File Generator**, the **Generate** button enables. Click **Generate** to create the files.

1.2.1.1. Secondary Programming Files (Programming File Generator)

After generating primary device programming files, you can generate the following secondary device programming files with the **Programming File Generator** for alternative device configuration modes:

Table 3. Output File Types

Programming File Type	Extension	Description		
Hexadecimal (Intel-Format) Output File for SRAM	.hexout	An ASCII text file in Intel hexadecimal format that contains configuration data for programming a parallel data source, such as a configuration device or a mass storage device. The parallel data source in turn configures an SRAM-based Intel device.		
JTAG Indirect Configuration File	.jic	Proprietary Intel FPGA file type that stores serial flash programming data for programming via Intel FPGA JTAG pins. This method only supports Active Serial configuration. Before programming the flash, the Programmer first configures the FPGA with the Serial Flash Helper Design.		
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Programming File Type	Extension	Description
Map File	.map	A text file containing the byte addresses of pages and data stored in the memory of a configuration device for
Programmer Object File	.pof	A binary file used by the Programmer to program a flash memory device via active serial header, or to program a flash memory device via the Parallel Flash Loader Intel FPGA IP.
Raw Binary File	.rbf	Configuration bitstream file for use with a third-party data source, partial reconfiguration, or HPS data source. Supports Passive Serial (PS) and Avalon®-Streaming (AVST) modes.
Raw Binary File for CvP Core Configuration	.rbf	A binary file that containing logic that is programmed by configuration (CRAM) for CvP phase 2. The core bitstream is in .rbf format.
Raw Binary File for HPS Core Configuration		A binary file that containing logic that is programmed by configuration (CRAM) for HPS configuration phase 2. The core bitstream is in .rbf format.
Raw Programming Data File	.rpd	Stores data for configuration with third-party programming hardware. You generate Raw Programming Data Files from a .pof or .sof. The .rpd file is a subset of a .pof or .jic that includes only device-specific binary programming data for Active Serial configuration scheme with EPCS or EPCQ serial configuration devices and remote system update.
Tabular Text File	.ttf	A TTF contains the decimal equivalent of a Raw Binary File (.rbf).

1.2.1.2. Configuration Modes (Programming File Generator)

Select one of the following **Configuration modes** in **Programming File Generator** for generation of secondary programming files:

Table 4. Programming File Generator Configuration Modes

Programming Mode	Description	Supports Devices	
Active Serial x4	For storing configuration data in a low-cost serial configuration device with non-volatile memory and four-pin interface. Serial configuration devices provide a serial interface to access the configuration data. During device configuration, Intel Stratix 10 devices read the configuration data through the serial interface, decompress the data if necessary, and configure their SRAM cells.		
AVST x8	The Avalon-ST configuration mode uses an external host, such as a microprocessor or Intel MAX 10 device. The external host controls the	Intel Stratix 10	
AVST x16	transfer of configuration data from an external storage such as flash		
AVST x32	memory to the FPGA. The design that controls the configuration process resides in the external host. You can use the PFL II IP core with an Intel MAX 10 device as the host to read configuration data from a flash memory device that configures an Intel Stratix 10 FPGA.		
1-Bit Passive Serial	An external controller passes configuration data to one or more FPGA devices via a serial data stream. The FPGA device is a slave device with a 5-wire interface to the external controller. The external controller can be an intelligent host such as a microcontroller or CPU.	Intel Cyclone 10 LP	
Active Serial	Stores configuration data in a low-cost serial configuration device with non-volatile memory and four-pin interface.		
Internal Configuration	Uses a .pof file for internal configuration of the Intel MAX 10 device's Configuration Flash Memory (CFM) and User Flash Memory (UFM) via a download cable Intel Quartus Prime Programmer.	Intel MAX 10	



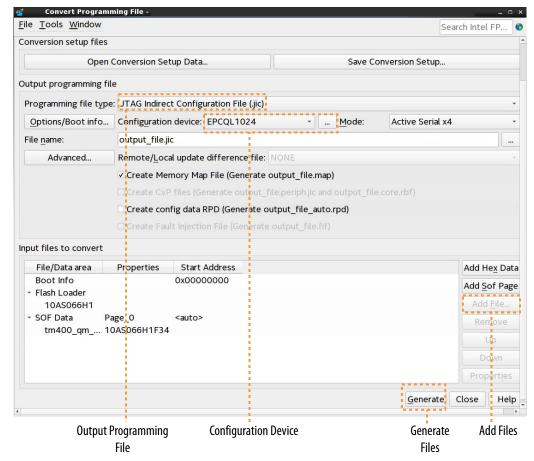


1.2.2. Generating Secondary Programming Files (Convert Programming File Dialog Box)

You can use the **Convert Programming File** dialog box to generate secondary programming files for alternative device programming methods. For example, generating the .jic file for flash programming, the .rbf file for partial reconfiguration, or the .rpd file for a third-party programmer configuration.

The options available in the **Convert Programming File** dialog box change dynamically, according to your device and configuration mode selection.

Figure 6. Convert Programming File Dialog Box



- 1. Generate the primary programming files for your design, as Generating Primary Device Programming Files on page 4 describes.
- 2. Click File ➤ Convert Programming Files.
- 3. Under **Output programming file**, select the **Programming file type** that you want to generate. Secondary Programming Files (Convert Programming Files) on page 12 describes all file options.
- 4. Specify the **File name** and output directory (...) for the file that you generate.



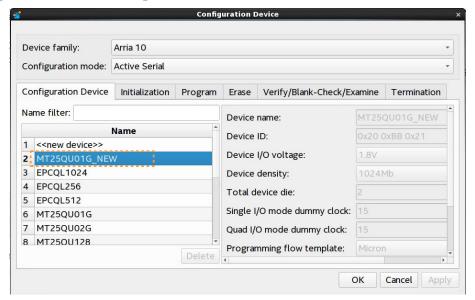


 For the configuration Mode, select Active Serial x4 or Active Serial. Configuration Modes (Convert Programming Files) on page 13 describes all modes.

Note: Intel Stratix 10 devices support only **Active Serial x4**.

6. To specify the Configuration device, click the (...) button to select a supported flash memory device and predefined programming flow. When you select a predefined device, you cannot modify any setting. Alternatively, click <<new device>> to define a new flash memory device and programming flow. Configuration Device Tab Settings (Programming File Generator) on page 44 describes all settings.

Figure 7. Configuration Device Dialog Box

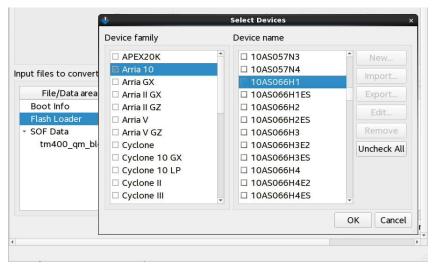


- 7. Under **Input files to convert**, select the **SOF Data** item, and then click the **Add File** button. Specify the .sof file that contains the configuration bitstream data.

 To include raw data, click **Add Hex Data** and specify a .hex file.
- 8. To enable bitstream compression or encryption security settings, select the .sof file and click **Properties**, as Enabling Bitstream Compression or Encryption (Convert Programming File Dialog Box) on page 22 describes.
- 9. Select the **Flash Loader** text, and then click the **Add Device** button. Select the device that controls loading of the flash device.



Figure 8. Selecting the Flash Loader Device



10. After you specify all options in the **Convert Programming File** dialog box, click the **Generate** button to create the files.

1.2.2.1. Secondary Programming Files (Convert Programming Files)

After generating primary device programming files, you can generate the following secondary device programming files with the **Convert Programming Files** dialog box for alternative device configuration modes:

Table 5. Output File Types

Programming File Type	Extension	Description
CvP Files	.jic/.rbf	Files required for CvP configuration.
Hexadecimal (Intel-Format) Output File for SRAM	.hexout	An ASCII text file in Intel hexadecimal format that contains configuration data for programming a parallel data source, such as a configuration device or a mass storage device. The parallel data source in turn configures an SRAM-based Intel device.
JTAG Indirect Configuration File	.jic	Proprietary Intel FPGA file type that stores serial flash programming data for programming via Intel FPGA JTAG pins. This method only supports Active Serial configuration. Before programming the flash, the Programmer first configures the FPGA with the Serial Flash Helper Design.
Memory Map File	.map	Contains the byte addresses of pages and HEX data stored in the memory of an EPC4, EPC8, or EPC16 configuration device. The MAP File stores the start and end addresses of the Main Block Data and Bottom Boot Data items, and the start and end addresses of pages within the Main Block Data item.
Partial-Masked SRAM Object Files	.pmsf	Contains the partial-mask bits for configuration of a PR region. The .pmsf file contains all the information for creating PR bitstreams.
Merged Mask Setting File	.msf	Contains the mask bits for the static region in a PR design.
Programmer Object File	.pof	A binary file that contains the data for programming non-volatile Intel MAX 10, MAX V, MAX II, or flash memory devices that can configure Intel FPGA devices. A Programmer consists of a remote
		continued





Programming File Type	Extension	Description		
		update enabled .pof and additional remote update enabled .sof that you used to program configuration devices in remote update configuration mode.		
Raw Binary File	.rbf	Configuration bitstream file for use with a third-party data source, partial reconfiguration, or HPS data source. Supports Passive Serial (PS) and Avalon-Streaming (AVST) modes.		
Raw Programming Data File	.rpd	Stores data for configuration with third-party programming hardware. You generate Raw Programming Data Files from a .pof or .sof. The .rpd file is a subset of a .pof or .sof that includes only device-specific binary programming data for Active Serial configuration scheme with EPCS or EPCQ serial configuration devices and remote system update. The .rpd file content has one bit swapped in comparison with the output file.		
Tabular Text File	.ttf	A TTF contains the decimal equivalent of a Raw Binary File (.rbf).		

1.2.2.2. Configuration Modes (Convert Programming Files)

Select one of the following **Configuration modes** in **Convert Programming Files** for generation of secondary programming files:

 Table 6.
 Convert Programming Files Configuration Modes

Programming Mode	Description			
1-Bit/2-Bit/4-Bit/8-Bit Passive Serial	An external controller passes configuration data to one or more FPGA devices via a serial data stream. The FPGA device is a slave device with a 5-wire interface to the external controller. The external controller can be an intelligent host such as a microcontroller or CPU, or the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer, or an EPC2 or EPC16 configuration device.			
Active Parallel	Supports configuration devices using commodity 16-bit parallel flash memories to control the configuration interface.			
Active Serial	For storing configuration data in a low-cost serial configuration device with non-volatile memory. Serial configuration devices provide a serial interface to access			
Active Serial x4	the configuration data. During device configuration, the device reads the configuration data through the serial interface, decompresses the data if necessary, and configures their SRAM cells.			
AVST x8/x16/x32	The Avalon-ST configuration mode uses an external host, such as a microprocessor or Intel MAX 10 device. The external host controls the transfer of configuration data from an external storage such as flash memory to the FPGA. The design that controls the configuration process resides in the external host. You can use the PFL II IP core with an Intel MAX 10 device as the host to read configuration data from a flash memory device that configures an FPGA.			
Passive Parallel Synchronous	An external controller, such as a CPU, loads the design data into a device via a common data bus. Data is latched by the device on the first rising edge of a CPU-driven clock signal. The next eight falling clock edges serialize this latched data within the device. The device latches the next 8-bit byte of data on every eighth rising edge of the clock signal until the device is completely configured.			
Passive Parallel Asynchronous	An external controller, such as a CPU, loads the design data into a device via a common data bus. The device accepts a parallel byte of input data. Intelligent communication between the external controller and the device allows the external controller to configure the device.			
Internal Configuration	Uses a .pof file for internal configuration of the Intel MAX 10 device's Configuration Flash Memory (CFM) and User Flash Memory (UFM) via a download cable Intel Quartus Prime Programmer.			





1.2.2.3. Debugging the Configuration

Click the **Advanced** option in the **Convert Programming Files** dialog box to debug the file conversion configuration. Only choose advanced settings that apply to the design's target Intel FPGA device.

Changes in the **Advanced Options** dialog box affect .pof, .jic, .rpd, and .rbf file generation.

The following table describes the **Advanced Options** settings:

Table 7. Advanced Options Settings

Option Setting	Description	Values
Disable EPCS/EPCQ ID check	Directs the FPGA to skips the EPCS/EPCQ silicon ID verification. Applies to single and multi device AS configuration modes on all devices.	Default setting is ON (EPCS/EPCQ ID check is enabled).
Disable AS mode CONF_DONE error check	Directs the FPGA to skip the CONF_DONE error check. Applies to single- and multi-device (AS) configuration modes on all devices.	Default setting is OFF (AS mode CONF_DONE error check is enabled).
Program Length Count adjustment	Specifies the offset you can apply to the computed PLC of the entire bitstream. Applies to single- and multi-device (AS) configuration modes on all FPGA devices.	Integer (Default = 0)
Post-chain bitstream pad bytes	Specifies the number of pad bytes appended to the end of an entire bitstream.	If the bitstream of the last device is uncompressed, default value is 0. Otherwise, default is 2
Post-device bitstream pad bytes	Specifies the number of pad bytes appended to the end of the bitstream of a device. Applies to all single-device configuration modes on all FPGA devices.	Zero or positive integer. Default is 0
Bitslice Padding Value	Specifies the padding value used to prepare bitslice configuration bitstreams, such that all bitslice configuration chains simultaneously receive their final configuration data bit. Use only in 2, 4, and 8-bit PS configuration mode, when you use an EPC device with the decompression feature enabled. Applies to all FPGA devices that support enhanced configuration devices.	0 or 1 Default value is 1

The following table lists possible symptoms of a failing configuration, and describes the advanced options necessary for configuration debugging.





Failure Symptoms	Disable EPCS/ EPCQ ID Check	Disable AS Mode CONF_DONE Error Check	PLC Settings	Post-Chain Bitstream Pad Bytes	Post-Device Bitstream Pad Bytes	Bitslice Padding Value
Configuration failure occurs after a configuration cycle.	_	Yes	Yes	Yes ⁽²⁾	Yes ⁽³⁾	_
Decompression feature is enabled.	_	Yes	Yes	Yes ⁽²⁾	Yes ⁽³⁾	_
Encryption feature is enabled.	_	Yes	Yes	Yes ⁽²⁾	Yes ⁽³⁾	_
CONF_DONE stays low after a configuration cycle.	_	Yes	Yes ⁽⁴⁾	Yes ⁽²⁾	Yes ⁽³⁾	_
CONF_DONE goes high momentarily after a configuration cycle.	_	Yes	Yes ⁽⁵⁾	_	_	_
FPGA does not enter user mode even though CONF_DONE goes high.	_	_	_	Yes ⁽²⁾	Yes (3)	_
Configuration failure occurs at the beginning of a configuration cycle.	Yes	_	_	_	_	_
EPCS128	Yes	_	_	_	_	_
Failure in .pof generation for EPC device using Intel Quartus Prime Convert Programming File Utility when the decompression feature is enabled.	_	_	_	_	_	Yes

1.2.3. Generating Programming Files for Partial Reconfiguration

The following sections describe generation of bitstream and other files for partial reconfiguration.

⁽⁵⁾ Start with negative offset to the PLC settings



⁽²⁾ Use only for multi-device chain

⁽³⁾ Use only for single-device chain

⁽⁴⁾ Start with positive offset to the PLC settings



1.2.3.1. Generating PR Bitstream Files

For Intel Stratix 10 designs, the Assembler generates a configuration .rbf automatically at the end of compilation. For Intel Arria 10 designs, use any of the following methods to process the PR bitstreams and generate the Raw Binary File (.rbf) file for reconfiguration.

Generating PR Bitstreams During Compilation

Follow these steps to generate the .rbf file during compilation:

1. Add the following assignments to the revision .qsf to automatically generate the required PR bitstreams following compilation:

```
set_global_assignment -name GENERATE_PR_RBF_FILE ON set_global_assignment -name ON_CHIP_BITSTREAM_DECOMPRESSION OFF
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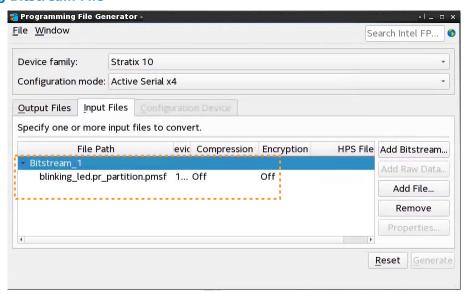
 To compile the revision and generate the .rbf, click Processing ➤ Start Compilation.

Generating PR Bitstreams with Programming File Generator

Follow these steps to generate the .rbf for PR programming with the **Programming** File Generator:

- 1. Click **File ➤ Programming File Generator**. The **Programming File Generator** appears.
- Specify the target **Device family** and the **Configuration mode** for partial reconfiguration.
- On the Output File tab, specify the Output directory, file name, and enable the Raw Binary File for Partial Reconfiguration (.rbf) file type.
- 4. To add the input .pmsf file to convert, click the **Input Files** tab, click **Add Bitstream**, and specify the .pmsf that you generated in the Assembler.

Figure 9. Adding Bitstream File

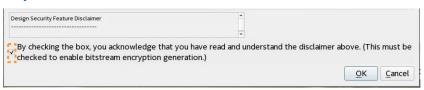






- 5. On the **Input Files** tab, select the bitstream .pmsf file and click **Properties**. Specify any of the following options for the .rbf:
 - **Enable compression**—generates compressed PR bitstream files to reduce file size.
 - **Enable encryption**—generates encrypted independent bitstreams for base image and PR image. You can encrypt the PR image even if your base image has no encryption. The PR image can have a separate encryption key file (.ekp), you can also specify other **Security settings**.
 - If you turn on **Enable encryption**, you must also acknowledge the **Design Security Feature Disclaimer** by checking the box.

Figure 10. Design Security Feature Disclaimer



- 6. Click OK.
- 7. In **Programming File Generator**, click **Generate**. The PR bitstream files generate according to your specifications.

Generating PR Bitstreams with Convert Programming Files Dialog Box

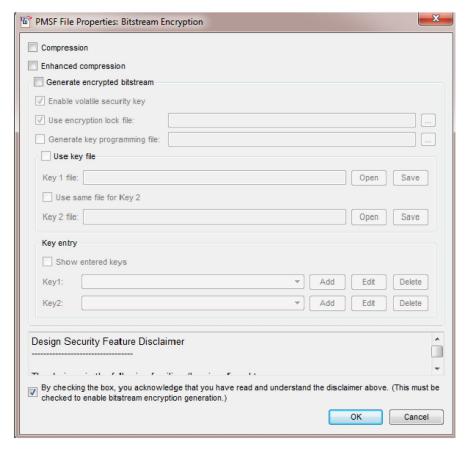
Follow these steps to generate the .rbf with the **Convert Programming Files** dialog box:

- Click File ➤ Convert Programming Files. The Convert Programming Files dialog box appears.
- 2. Specify the output file name and **Programming file type** as **Raw Binary File** for Partial Reconfiguration (.rbf).
- 3. To add the input .pmsf file to convert, click **Add File**.
- 4. Select the newly added .pmsf file, and click **Properties**.
- 5. Enable or disable any of the following options and click **OK**:
 - Compression—enables compression on PR bitstream.
 - Enhanced compression—enables enhanced compression on PR bitstream.
 - **Generate encrypted bitstream**—generates encrypted independent bitstreams for base image and PR image. You can encrypt the PR image even if your base image has no encryption. The PR image can have a separate encryption key file (.ekp). If you enable **Generate encrypted bitstream**, enable or disable the **Enable volatile security key**, **Use encryption lock file**, and **Generate key programming file** options.





Figure 11. PMSF File Properties Bitstream Encryption



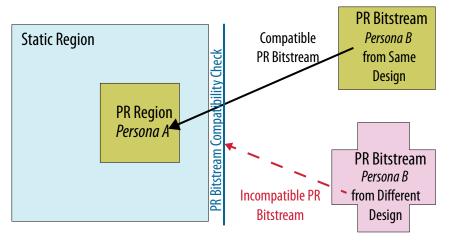
6. Click **Generate**. The PR bitstream files generate according to your specifications.

1.2.3.2. Partial Reconfiguration Bitstream Compatibility Checking

Partial reconfiguration bitstream compatibility checking verifies the compatibility of the reconfiguration bitstream to prevent configuration with an incompatible PR bitstream.



Figure 12. PR Bitstream Compatibility Checking



The following sections describe PR bitstream compatibility check support for Intel Stratix 10 and Intel Arria 10 PR designs.

Intel Stratix 10 PR Bitstream Compatibility Checking

For Intel Stratix 10 designs, PR bitstream compatibility checking is automatically enabled in the Compiler and in the Intel Stratix 10 Secure Device Manager (SDM) firmware by default. The following limitations apply to PR designs if PR bitstream compatibility checking is enabled:

- The Compiler allows up to 255 PR regions.
- The Compiler allows up to 15 child PR regions of any parent PR region.
- The Compiler allows up to six hierarchical partial reconfiguration layers.

The Compiler generates an error if your PR design exceeds these limits when PR bitstream compatibility checking is enabled.

If you require more PR regions than this limitation allows, or otherwise want to disable PR bitstream compatibility checking for Intel Stratix 10 designs, you can add the following assignment to the .gsf file:

set_global_assignment -name ENABLE_PR_POF_ID OFF

Intel Arria 10 PR Bitstream Compatibility Checking

For Intel Arria 10 designs, you enable or disable PR bitstream compatibility checking by turning on the **Enable bitstream compatibility check** option when instantiating the Intel Arria 10/Cyclone 10 FPGA IP from the IP Catalog.

The software then verifies the partial reconfiguration PR Bitstream file (.rbf). If software detects an incompatible bitstream, the PR operation stops, and the status output reports an error. The PR .pof ID encodes as the 71st word of the PR bitstream.

When you turn on **Enable bitstream compatibility check**, the PR Controller IP core creates a **PR bitstream ID** and displays the bitstream ID in the configuration dialog box.





1.2.3.3. Raw Binary Programming File Byte Sequence Transmission Examples

The raw binary programming file (.rbf) file contains the device configuration data in little-endian raw binary format. The following example shows transmitting the .rbf byte sequence 02 1B EE 01 in x32 mode:

Table 8. Writing to the PR control block or SDM in x32 mode

In x32 mode, the first byte in the file is the least significant byte of the configuration double word, and the fourth byte is the most significant byte.

Double Word = 01EE1B02			
LSB: BYTE0 = 02	BYTE1 = 1B	BYTE2 = EE	MSB: BYTE3 = 01
D[70]	D[158]	D[2316]	D[3124]
0000 0010	0001 1011	1110 1110	0000 0001

1.2.3.4. Generating a Merged .pmsf File from Multiple .pmsf Files

Use a single merged .rbf file to reconfigure two PR regions simultaneously. To merge two or more .pmsf files:

- 1. Open the Convert Programming Files dialog box.
- 2. Specify the output file name and programming file type as **Merged Partial-Mask SRAM Object File (.pmsf)**.
- 3. In the **Input files to convert** dialog box, select **PMSF Data**.
- 4. To add input files, click **Add File**. You must specify two or more files for merging.
- 5. To generate the merged file, click **Generate**.

Alternatively, to merge two or more .pmsf files from the Intel Quartus Prime shell, type the following command:

For example, to merge two .pmsf files, type the following command:

```
quartus_cpf --merge_pmsf=<2> <pmsf_input_file_1> <pmsf_input_file_2> \
  <pmsf_output_file>
```

1.3. Enabling Bitstream File Compression and Security

You can optionally enable bitstream compression (and decompression) to reduce the size of your programming bitstream file. The Intel Quartus Prime Assembler can generate a compressed bitstream image that reduces configuration file size by 30% to 55% (depending on the design). The FPGA device receives the compressed configuration bitstream, and then can decompress the data in real-time during configuration.

You can separately enable generation of encryption key programming files and user-defined 256-bit security key to protect and authenticate the configuration bitstream. Encryption of the bitstream also offers side-channel protection from non-intrusive attack.



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Intel Stratix 10 devices also support co-signing device firmware. Co-signing adds another layer of security for device firmware. The joint signature capability allows you to sign device firmware with an owner signing key that you generate. You enable the co-signature by programming the owner public key hash and the co-signed firmware eFuses. Once you program these security fuses, loading new firmware requires both Intel and owner signatures.

Related Information

- AN 556: Using the Design Security Features in Intel FPGAs
- AN 556: Using the Design Security Features in Intel FPGAs

1.3.1. Enabling Bitstream Encryption or Co-Signing (Programming File Generator)

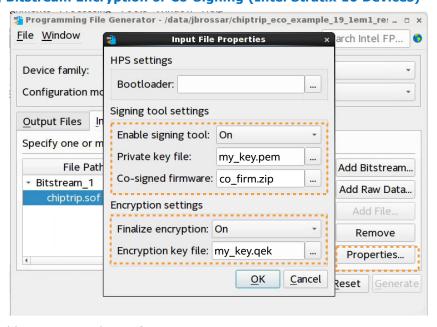
You can enable encryption key programming files and a 256-bit security key to protect and authenticate the configuration bitstream.

You can also program the owner public key hash and the co-signed firmware eFuse to enable co-signing device firmware for Intel Stratix 10 devices.

Follow these steps to enable bitstream file encryption co-signing:

- 1. Generate a .jic file for flash programming, as this document describes.
- 2. In the **Programming File Generator**, select the .sof file on the **Input Files** tab.
- 3. Click the **Properties** button. The **Input File Properties** dialog box appears.

Figure 13. Enabling Bitstream Encryption or Co-Signing (Intel Stratix 10 Devices)



- 4. To enable co-signing device firmware:
 - a. Set Enable signing tool to On.





- b. Specify a Privacy Enhanced Mail Certificates file (.pem) for **Private key file** and a Quartus Co-Signed Firmware file (.zip) for the **Co-signed firmware**.
- 5. To enable bitstream file encryption:
 - a. Set Finalize encryption to On.
 - b. Specify a Quartus Encryption Key file (.qek) to decrypt the bitstream.
- 6. Click OK.

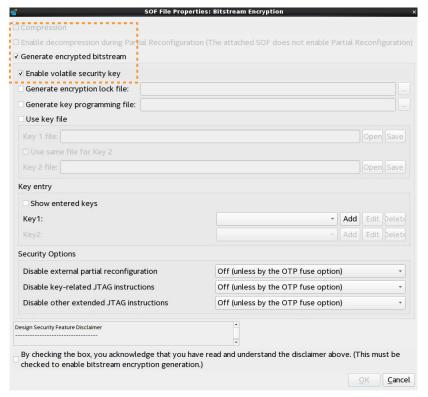
1.3.2. Enabling Bitstream Compression or Encryption (Convert Programming File Dialog Box)

Optionally enable bitstream compression to reduce the size of your programming bitstream file. Enable encryption key programming files and user-defined 256-bit security key to protect and authenticate the configuration bitstream. These options are mutually exclusive.

Follow these steps to enable bitstream file compression or encryption:

- 1. Generate a .jic file for flash programming, as this document describes.
- In the Convert Programming File dialog box, select the .sof file under Input files to convert.
- 3. Click the **Properties** button. The **SOF File Properties: Bitstream Encryption** dialog box appears.

Figure 14. Enabling Bitstream Compression or Encryption (Intel Arria 10 and Intel Cyclone 10 GX Designs)





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- 4. To enable compression, turn on the **Compression** option. All encryption options disable.
- 5. To enable bitstream file encryption:
 - a. Turn off the Compression option.
 - b. Turn on the **Generate encrypted bitstream** option.
 - Specify options for programming file key decryption, and **Security Options**, as Compression and Encryption Settings (Convert Programming File) on page 46 describes.
- 6. Click OK.

1.4. Scripting Support

The Intel Quartus Prime software allows generating programming files from the command line. You can incorporate these commands to scripted flows.

1.4.1. quartus_pfg Command Line Tool

The Programing File Generator is also available as the <code>quartus_pfg</code> executable. You can specify conversion settings in the command line or through a PFG setting file (.pfg). This ability is useful for advanced designs that require multiple images or multiple user data files (HEX/RBF), because you define the settings once in the GUI and then export for subsequent use in the command line.

To export PFG settings to a .pfg file, click **File > Save**. The Programming File Generator only saves settings that are consistent.

For more information about the quartus_pfg executable, type the following in the command line:

```
quartus_pfg --help
```

Differences Between GUI and Command Line Tool

The command line tool supports single image conversion only.

1.4.2. quartus_cpf Command Line Tool

The Convert Programming Files tool is also available as the quartus_cpf command line executable. You can specify conversion settings in the command line or with a conversion setup file (.cof).

For help with the quartus_cpf executable, type the following at the command line:

```
quartus_cpf --help
```

1.4.2.1. Generating a Partial-Mask SRAM Object File using a Mask Settings File and a SRAM Object File

 To generate a .pmsf file with the quartus_cpf executable, type the following in the command line:

```
quartus_cpf -p cpr_revision.msf> <pr_revision.sof> <new_filename.pmsf>
```





Note:

The -p option is available for designs targeting Intel Arria 10 and Intel Cyclone 10 GX device families.

Related Information

Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Partial Reconfiguration
In Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Partial Reconfiguration

1.5. Generating Programming Files Revision History

Document Version	Intel Quartus Prime Version	Changes
2019.06.10	19.1.0	Added links to Generic Flash Programmer User Guide. Added flash programming details to "Generating Secondary Programming Files" and created separate topics for Programming File Generator and Convert Programming Files dialog box. Added new "Enabling Bitstream Encryption or Co-Signing (Programming File Generator)" topic. Added new "Enabling Bitstream Compression or Encryption (Convert Programming File)" topic. Updated screenshots for latest GUI.
2019.04.01	19.1.0	 Retitled and reorganized topics to improve flow of information. Added "Programming File Generator Configuration Modes" topic. Added "Convert Programming File Configuration Modes" topic. Added "Generating Programming Files for Partial Reconfiguration." Added "Generating PR Bitstreams Files." Added "Partial Reconfiguration Bitstream Compatibility Checking." Added "Raw Binary Programming File Byte Sequence Transmission Examples." Added "Generating a Merged .pmsf File from Multiple .pmsf Files."
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2018.06.27	18.0.0	Created the new chapter with information from the <i>Programming Devices</i> chapter. Included information about the Programming File Generator tool.

Related Information

Documentation Archive

For previous versions of the *Intel Quartus Prime Handbook*, search the documentation archives.







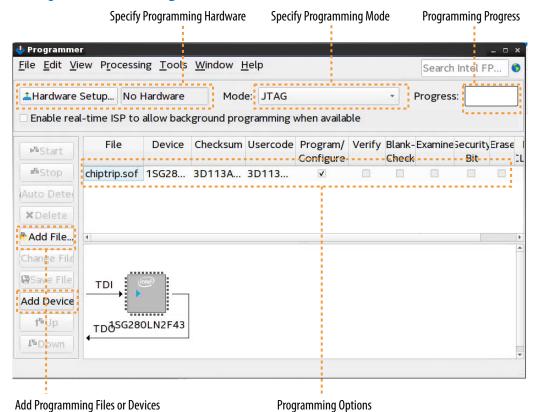
2. Programming Intel FPGA Devices

The Intel Quartus Prime Programmer allows you to program and configure Intel CPLD, FPGA, and configuration devices. You generate the primary device programming files in the Assembler during a full design compilation. In addition, you can generate secondary programming files for alternative programming methods. After you program the device you can test functionality on a circuit board.

2.1. Intel Quartus Prime Programmer

Access the integrated Programmer by clicking **Tools ➤ Programmer** in the Intel Ouartus Prime software.

Figure 15. Intel Quartus Prime Programmer



Prior to programming or configuration, you generate and specify the primary programming files, setup the programming hardware, and set the configuration mode in the Programmer.

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2.2. Stand-Alone Programmer

The free Stand-Alone Programmer is available and has the same full functionality as the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer.

The Stand-Alone Programmer is useful when programming devices on a workstation that does not have an Intel Quartus Prime software license. The Stand-Alone Programmer does not require a separate Intel Quartus Prime software license. Download the Stand-Alone Programmer from the Download Center on the Intel website.

Related Information

Download Center for FPGAs

2.2.1. Stand-Alone Programmer Memory Consumption

The following operations increase memory usage in the Stand-Alone Programmer:

- Auto-detect
- · Adding programming files to the flash memory
- Manually attaching the flash in the Programmer

In Windows systems, the Stand-Alone Programmer has the following memory limitations:

Table 9. Stand-Alone Programmer Memory Limitations

Application	Maximum Flash Device Size	Flash Device Operation Using PFL
64-bit Stand-Alone Programmer	Up to 2 Gb	Multiple Flash Device

2.3. Programming and Configuration Modes

The current version of the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer supports the following programming and configuration modes in the Programmer's **Mode** list. Select a configuration mode to setup and run that type of programming or configuration.

Table 10. Programming and Configuration Modes

Programming or Configuration Mode	Description
JTAG	A configuration method that configures one or more devices through the Joint Test Action Group (JTAG) Boundary-Scan Test (BST) circuitry.
In-Socket Programming	Configuration device programming or testing via the Altera Programming Unit (APU).
Passive Serial	An external controller passes configuration data to one or more configuration devices via a serial data stream. The device is treated as a slave device with a 5-wire interface to the external controller. The external controller can be an intelligent host such as a microcontroller or CPU, or the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer. The external controller can also be a serial configuration device.
Active Serial Programming	The active serial memory interface block loads design data into one or more devices. The active serial memory interface block controls the configuration process, and configures all of the devices in the chain using the configuration data stored in an EPCS1, EPCS4, EPCS16, EPCS64, EPCQ, EPCQL, and third-party QSPI serial configuration devices.





2.4. Basic Device Configuration Steps

Basic FPGA Device Configuration over JTAG involves opening the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer, connecting to a device on a development kit or board, and loading the configuration SRAM Object File (.sof) into the SRAM of the FPGA. The following steps describe the basic JTAG device configuration flow:

- To run the Assembler to generate primary programming files, click Processing ➤ Start ➤ Start Assembler. The Compiler runs any prerequisite stages and generates programming files according to your specifications, as Generating Primary Device Programming Files on page 4 describes.
- 2. To open the Programmer, click **Tools** ➤ **Programmer**.
- 3. Connect the board cables. For JTAG device configuration, connect the JTAG USB cable to the board, and connect the power cable attached to the board to a power source.
- 4. Turn on power to the board.
- 5. In the Programmer, select **JTAG** for the programming **Mode**, as Programming and Configuration Modes on page 26 describes.
- Click Hardware Setup. In the Hardware list, select connected programming hardware, as Specifying the Programming Hardware Setup on page 29 describes in detail.

Figure 16. Hardware Setup

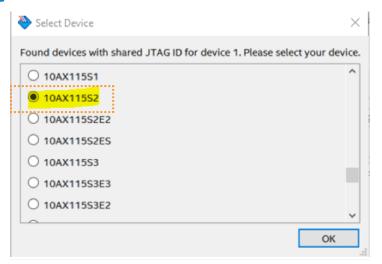


Note: If the device chain does not appear, verify the board connections.

 In the Found Devices list, select the device that matches your design and click OK.

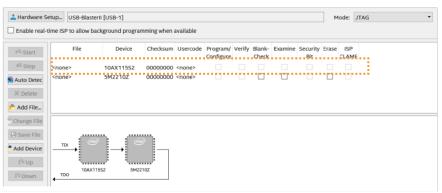


Figure 17. Select Device



8. Right-click the row in the file list, and then click **Change File**.

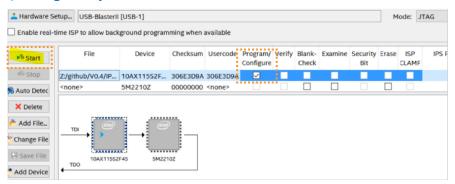
Figure 18. Programmer Window



- 9. Browse to select the .sof file.
- 10. Enable the **Program/Configure** option for the row.



Figure 19. Program/Configure Option



11. Click **Start**. The progress bar reaches 100% when device configuration is complete. The device is now fully configured and in operation.

Figure 20. Programming Successful



Note: If device configuration fails, confirm that the device you select for configuration matches the device you specify during .sof file generation.

2.5. Specifying the Programming Hardware Setup

Before you can program or configure a device, you must specify an appropriate hardware setup. The Programmer's **Hardware Setup** dialog box allows you to add and remove programming hardware or JTAG servers from the current programming setup. You can specify a hardware setup for device programming or configuration, or configure a local JTAG server.

A JTAG server allows the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer to access the JTAG programming hardware connected to a remote computer through the JTAG server of that computer. The JTAG server allows you to control the programming or configuration of devices from a single computer through other computers at remote locations. The JTAG server uses the TCP/IP communications protocol.

Selecting Device Programming Hardware

Follow these steps to select device programming hardware in the Programmer:

1. In the Programmer, click **Hardware Setup**.

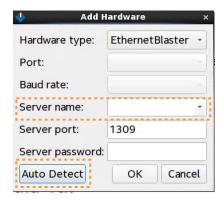


Figure 21. Hardware Setup Dialog Box



To add new programming hardware, click Add Hardware on the Hardware
 Settings tab. In the Add Hardware dialog box, click Auto Detect to detect your programming hardware, or specify the properties of your programming hardware.

Figure 22. Add New Hardware



- 3. On the **Hardware Settings** tab, select your connected programming hardware in **Currently selected hardware**. This list is empty until you connect and add programming hardware to your system.
- Enable or disable Auto-adjust frequency at chain scanning to automatically adjust the Hardware frequency according to the frequency at chain scanning.
- 5. Click **Close**. The setup appears as the current hardware setup.

Selecting a JTAG Server for Device Programming

Follow these steps to select a JTAG server for device programming in the Programmer:

- 1. In the Programmer, click **Hardware Setup**.
- On the JTAG Settings tab, click Add Server. In the JTAG Settings dialog box, specify the Server name and Server password.





Figure 23. JTAG Settings



- Under JTAG Servers, select the JTAG server that you want to access for programming.
- 4. Click **Close**. The setup appears as the current hardware setup.

2.5.1. JTAG Chain Debugger Tool

The JTAG Chain Debugger tool allows you to test the JTAG chain integrity and detect intermittent failures of the JTAG chain. You access the tool by clicking **Tools** ➤ **JTAG Chain Debugger** on the Intel Ouartus Prime software.

In addition, the tool allows you to shift in JTAG instructions and data through the JTAG interface, and step through the test access port (TAP) controller state machine for debugging purposes.

2.5.2. Editing the Details of an Unknown Device

When the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer automatically detects devices with shared JTAG IDs, the Programmer prompts you to specify the device in the JTAG chain. If the Programmer does not prompt you to specify the device, you must manually add each device in the JTAG chain to the Programmer, and define the instruction register length of each device.

To edit the details of an unknown device, follow these steps:

- 1. Double-click the unknown device listed under the device column.
- 2. Click Edit.
- 3. Change the device Name.
- 4. Specify the **Instruction register length**.
- 5. Click OK.
- 6. Save the .cdf file.

2.5.3. Running JTAG Daemon with Linux

The JTAGD daemon is the Linux version of a JTAG server. The JTAGD daemon allows a remote machine to program or debug boards connected to a Linux host over the network. The JTAGD daemon also allows programs to share JTAG resources.

Running the JTAGD daemon prevents:

- The JTAGD server from exiting after two minutes of idleness.
- The JTAGD server from not accepting connections from remote machines, which might lead to an intermittent failure.





To run JTAGD as a daemon:

- 1. Create an /etc/jtagd directory.
- Set the permissions of this directory and the files in the directory to allow read/ write access.
- 3. Execute jtagd (with no arguments) from the quartus/bin directory.

The JTAGD daemon is now running and does not terminate when you log off.

2.6. Programming with Flash Loaders

Parallel and serial configuration devices do not support the JTAG programming interface. However, you can use a flash loader to program configuration devices insystem via the JTAG interface. The flash loader allows an FPGA to function as a bridge between the JTAG interface and the configuration device. The Intel Quartus Prime software supports various parallel and serial flash loaders for programming bitstream storage and configuration via flash memory devices.

Refer to the following documents for step-by-step flash programming instructions.

Related Information

- Generic Serial Flash Interface Intel FPGA IP Core User Guide
- Intel Parallel Flash Loader IP Core User Guide
- Generic Flash Programmer User Guide
- Customizable Flash Programmer User Guide

2.6.1. Specifying Flash Partitions

Flash partitions allow you to store bitstreams or raw data.

Note:

The **Programming File Generator** supports defining flash partitions only for .jic or .pof programming files.

To create flash partitions in the **Configuration Devices** tab:

- 1. Select the device and click **Add Partition**.
- In the Add Partition dialog box, define the following parameters, and then click OK:

Table 11. Add Partition Dialog Box Settings

Setting	Description
Name	Name that you give to the partition.
Input file	Input file to program into the flash partition.
Page	Configuration devices can store multiple configuration bitstreams in flash memory, called pages. CFI configuration devices can store up to eight configuration bitstreams. Intel Stratix 10 devices can store up to four configuration bitstreams, including the factory image. In Intel Stratix 10 devices, with the remote system update feature enabled, Page represents the parity.
Address Mode	The options are:
	continued





Setting	Description	
	 Auto—automatically allocates a block in the flash device to store the data. Block—specify the start and end address of the flash partition. Start—specify the start address of the partition. The tool assigns the end address of the partition based on the input data size. 	
Start address	Specifies the start address of the partition. Only enabled when Address Mode is Block or Start .	
End address	Specifies the end address of the partition. Only enabled when Address Mode is Block .	

The partition associated to the device appears in the device list.

- 3. If you want to change the parameters of a partition, click the partition and then click **Edit**.
- 4. If you want to remove a partition, click the partition and then click **Remove**.
- 5. After specifying the settings for all flash partitions, click **Generate.**

2.6.2. Erasing Flash Memory Sectors

When performing flash memory erase operations via JTAG and a .jic file, the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer erases only the flash memory sectors that the .jic specifies.

For example, if you specify a <code>.jic</code> file containing only a 13.6Mbits FPGA image on an EPCQ64A device, the Programmer erases only the bottom 13.6Mbits, and does not erase the remaining 50.4Mbits of data.

To erase the entire flash memory device contents, do not specify a <code>.jic</code> file for flash programming. Rather, manually add the flash device to the associated FPGA device chain by following these steps:

- In the Programmer, right-click the target FPGA device, and then click Edit ➤
 Attach Flash Device.
- 2. Select the appropriate flash device from the list.

2.7. Verifying the Programming File Source with Project Hash

Intel Quartus Prime programming files support the project hash property, which identifies the source project from which programming files generate.

During compilation, the Intel Quartus Prime software generates a unique project hash, and embeds this hash value in the programming files (.sof). You can verify the source of programming files by matching the project and programming file hash values.

The project hash does not change for different builds of the Intel Quartus Prime software, or when you install a software update. However, if you upgrade any IP with a different build or patch, the project hash changes.





2.7.1. Obtaining Project Hash for Intel Arria 10 Devices

To obtain the project hash value of a .sof programming file for a design, use the quartus_asm command-line executable (quartus_asm.exe in Windows) with the --project_hash option.

```
quartus_asm --project_hash <sof-file>
```

Example 1. Output of Project Hash Command:

In this example, the programming file is worm.sof.

```
Info: Running Quartus Prime Assembler
Info: Version 17.0.0 Build 288 04/12/2017 SJ Pro Edition
Info: Copyright (C) 2017 Intel Corporation. All rights reserved.
Info: Your use of Intel Corporation's design tools, logic functions
Info: and other software and tools, and its AMPP partner logic
Info: functions, and any output files from any of the foregoing
Info: (including device programming or simulation files), and any
Info: associated documentation or information are expressly subject
Info: to the terms and conditions of the Intel Program License
Info: Subscription Agreement, the Intel Quartus Prime License Agreement,
Info: the Intel MegaCore Function License Agreement, or other
Info: applicable license agreement, including, without limitation,
Info: that your use is for the sole purpose of programming logic
Info: devices manufactured by Intel and sold by Intel or its
Info: authorized distributors. Please refer to the applicable
Info: agreement for further details.
Info: Processing started: Fri Apr 14 18:01:47 2017
Info: Command: quartus_asm -t project_hash.tcl worm.sof
Info: Quartus(args): worm.sof
0x1ffdc3f47c57bbe0075f6d4cb2cb9deb
Info (23030): Evaluation of Tcl script project_hash.tcl was successful
Info: Quartus Prime Assembler was successful. 0 errors, 0 warnings
Info: Peak virtual memory: 1451 megabytes
Info: Processing ended: Fri Apr 14 18:01:56 2017
Info: Elapsed time: 00:00:09
Info: Total CPU time (on all processors): 00:00:04
```

2.8. Using PR Bitstream Security Verification (Intel Stratix 10 Designs)

PR bitstream security verification requires a separate license and .qsf setting to enable. After you license and enable PR bitstream verification, the Compiler generates both a public Secure Mask Settings File (.smsf) and private Partially Masked Settings File (.pmsf) for each PR region during the base compilation.

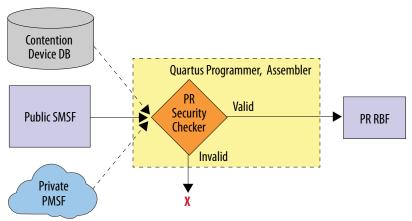
The .pmsf contains comprehensive information that the Programmer requires to generate the PR bitstream for a Client region, including the actual bit settings, a region mask, and all the auxiliary bit masks. The .smsf contains a region ownership mask and comprehensive information to detect a peek or poke attack by the PR region's persona.

Thereafter, the Programmer requires both the private .pmsf and public .smsf to generate the PR bitstream for this PR region, ensuring that the PR persona can only change bits that the persona owns. The Platform Owner may or may not release .smsf files to third-party Clients as part of the PR region collateral. The Platform Owner uses the .smsf to generate the PR bitstream from Client's .pmsf for this PR region with the Programmer.





Figure 24. PR Bitstream Security Validation in Programmer



Follow these steps to license, enable, and use PR bitstream security verification:

- 1. Obtain the license file to enable generation of .smsf files for PR regions during base compilation, and to perform PR bitstream security verification during PR bitstream generation in the Programmer. To obtain the license, login or register for a My-Intel account, and then submit an Intel Premier Support case requesting the license key.
- To add the license file to the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition software, click Tools
 ➤ License Setup and specify the feature License File.
- 3. To enable PR security validation features, add the following line to the project .qsf:

```
set_global_assignment -name PR_SECURITY_VALIDATION on
```

- Compile the base revision, as link/tnc1513987819990/aqm1467953816118 describes.
- 5. Following base compilation, view the Assembler reports to view the generated .smsf files required for bitstream generation for each PR region.
- 6. The Platform Owner may release .smsf files to third-party clients as part of the PR region collateral. The Client provides the private .pmsf to the Platform Owner to verify PR security of the PR Persona configuration and generate validated PR bitstream.
- 7. To validate PR security of Client's .pmsf, the Platform Owner specifies the .smsf and corresponding .pmsf files at the Programmer command line to generate the validated PR bitstreams:

```
quartus_cpf -c --smsf=<smsf_file> <pmsf_file> <output_file>
```

Related Information

- Generating PR Bitstreams for Intel Arria 10 Designs
 In Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Partial Reconfiguration
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Partial Reconfiguration In Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Partial Reconfiguration
- My-Intel.com





2.9. Programmer Settings Reference

The following topics describe Intel Quartus Prime settings that impact programming and programming file generation.

2.9.1. Device & Pin Options Dialog Box

The following tables describe **Device & Pin Option** settings that impact generation of primary and secondary programming files. To access these settings, click **Assignments** ➤ **Device** ➤ **Device & Pin Options**.

Table 12. General Device Options

Allow you to specify basic device configuration options that are independent of a specific configuration scheme. To access these settings, click **Assignments ➤ Device ➤ Device and Pin Options ➤ General**.

Option	Description
Options Note: Not supported for Intel Stratix 10 devices.	Auto-restart configuration after error—restarts the configuration process automatically if a data error is encountered. If this option is turned off, you must externally direct the device to restart the configuration process if an error occurs. This option is available for passive serial and active serial configuration schemes.
	Release clears before tri-states—releases the clear signal on registered logic cells and I/O cells before releasing the output enable override on tri-state buffers. If this option is turned off, the output enable signals are released before the clear overrides are released.
	Enable user-supplied start-up clock (CLKUSR)—uses a user-supplied clock on the CLKUSR pin for initialization. When turned off, external circuitry is required to provide the initialization clock on the DCLK pin in the Passive Serial and Passive Parallel Synchronous configuration schemes; in the Passive Parallel Asynchronous configuration scheme, the device uses an internal initialization clock.
	Enable device-wide reset (DEV_CLRn)—enables the DEV_CLRn pin, which allows all registers of the device to be reset by an external source. If this option is turned off, the DEV_CLRn pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
	• Enable device-wide output enable (DEV_OE)—enables the DEV_OE pin when the device is in user mode. If this option is turned on, all outputs on the chip operate normally. When the pin is disabled, all outputs are tri-stated. If this option is turned off, the DEV_OE pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
	Enable INIT_DONE output—enables the INIT_DONE pin, which allows you to externally monitor when initialization is complete and the device is in user mode. If this option is turned off, the INIT_DONE pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
	• Enable JTAG Pin Sharing—enables the JTAG pin sharing feature. The JTAGEN pin is enables and becomes a dedicated input pin in user mode. JTAG pins (TDO, TCK, TDI, and TMS pins) are available as test pins when the JTAGEN pin is pull low. JTAG pins are dedicated when the JTAGEN pin is high. If this option is turned off, the JTAGEN pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin. JTAG pins are retained as dedicated JTAG pins.
	• Enable nCONFIG, nStatus, and CONF_DONE pins—enables the major configuration pins, nCONFIG, nSTATUS, and CONF_DONE pin in user mode. If this option is turned off, the nCONFIG, nSTATUS, and CONF_DONE pins are disabled when the device operates in user mode and are available as user I/O pins.
	• Enable OCT_DONE —enables the OCT_DONE pin, which controls whether the INIT_DONE pin is gated by OCT_DONE pin. If this option is turned off, the INIT_DONE pin is not gated by the OCT_DONE pin.
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Option	Description
	Enable security bit support—enables the security bit support, which prevents data in a device from being obtained and used to program another device. This option is available for supported device (MAX II, and MAX V) families.
	Set unused TDS pins to GND—sets the unused temperature sensing diode TSD pins, TEMPDIODEp and TEMPDIODEn to GND in the pin. By default, TSD pins are available for connection to an external temperature sensing device; however, you must manually connect the pins to GND if they are not connected. When turned on, this option updates the information in the .pin file and does not affect FPGA behavior.
	Enable CONFIG_SEL pin—enables the BOOT_SEL pin in user mode. If this option is turned off, the BOOT_SEL pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
	• Enable nCEO pin—enables the nCEO pin. This pin should be connected to the nCE of the succeeding device when multiple devices are being programmed. If this option is turned off, the nCEO pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
	Enable autonomous PCIe HIP mode—releases the PCIe HIP after periphery configuration, before device core configuration completes. This option only takes effect if CvP mode is disabled.
	Enable the HPS early release of HPS IO—releases the HPS shared I/O bank after the IOCSR programming.
Auto usercode	Sets the JTAG user code to match the checksum value of the device programming file. The programming file is a .pof for non-volatile devices, or an .sof for SRAM-based devices. If you turn on this option, the JTAG user code option is not available.
JTAG user code	Specifies a hexadecimal number for the device selected for the current Compiler settings. The JTAG user code is an extension of the option register. This data can be read with the JTAG USERCODE instruction. If you turn on Auto usercode , this option is not available.
In-system programming clamp state	Allows you to specify the state that the pins take during in-system programming for used pins that do not have an in-system programming clamp state assignment. Unused pins and dedicated inputs must always be tri-stated for in-system programming. Used pins are tri-stated by default during in-system programming, which electrically isolates the device from other devices on the board. At times, however, in order to prevent system damage you may want to specify the logic level for used pins during in-system programming. The following settings are available:
	Tri-state—the pins are tri-stated. With the pins drive MOGNO.
	High—the pins drive VCCIO. Low—the pins drive GND.
	Sample and Sustain—the pins drive the level captured during the SAMPLE/ PRELOAD JTAG instruction.
Configuration clock source	Specifies the clock source for device initialization (the duration between CONF_DONE signal went high and before INIT_DONE signal goes high).
	For AS x1 or AS x4 configuration mode, you can select either Internal Oscillator or CLKUSR pin only. The DCLK pin is an illegal option for AS mode. In 14 nm device families, only Internal Oscillator or OSC_CLK_1 pins are available.
Device initialization clock source	Specifies the clock source for device initialization (the duration between CONF_DONE signal went high and before INIT_DONE signal goes high).
	For AS x1 or AS x4 configuration mode, you can select either Internal Oscillator or CLKUSR pin only. The DCLK pin is an illegal option for AS mode. In 14 nm device families, only Internal Oscillator or OSC_CLK_1 pins are available.



Table 13. Configuration Options

Allow you to specify the configuration scheme, configuration device and pin options, serial clock source, and other options for subsequent device configuration with your programming bitstream. To access these settings, click **Assignments** > **Device** > **Device and Pin Options** > **Configuration**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Configuration scheme	Specifies the scheme of configuration for generation of appropriate primary and secondary programming files, such as Active Serial x4 . Only options appropriate for the current Configuration Scheme are available.
Configuration Device	Allows you to specify options for an external configuration device that stores and loads configuration data. • Configuration device I/O voltage—specifies the VCCIO voltage of the configuration pins for the current configuration scheme of the target device.
	This option is available for supported device families. • Force VCCIO voltage to be compatible with configuration I/O voltage—forces the VCCIO voltage of the configuration pins to be the same as the configuration device I/O voltage. If you turn off this option, the VCCIO voltage of the configuration pins may vary depending on the I/O standards used in the I/O banks containing the configuration pins. This option is available for supported device families.
Configuration Pin Options	Enables or disables operation of specific device configuration pins for status monitoring, SEU error detection, CvP, and other configuration pin options.
Generate compressed bitstreams	Generates compressed bitstreams and enables bitstream decompression in the target device.
Active serial clock source	Specifies the configuration clock source for Active Serial programming. Options range from 12.5 MHz to 100 MHz.
VID Operation Mode	Enables Voltage IDentification logic in the target device with selected operation mode. The available options are PMBus Master or PMBus Slave .
HPS/FPGA configuration order	For hard processor system (HPS) configuration, specifies the order of configuration between the HPS and FPGA. The options are HPS First , After INIT_DONE , and When requested by FPGA .
HPS debug access port	 Disabled—the HPS JTAG is not enabled. HPS Pins—the HPS JTAG is routed to the HPS dedicated I/O. SDM Pins—the HPS JTAG is chained to the FPGA JTAG.
Disable Register Power-Up Initialization	Specifies whether the Assembler generates a bit stream with register power-up initialization.

Table 14. Unused Pin Options

Allow you specify the reserve state of all the unused pins on the device. To access, click **Assignments** ➤ **Device** ➤ **Device and Pin Options** ➤ **Unused Pins**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Reserve all unused pins	 As input tri-stated—the pins reserve as tri-state input pins. As output driving ground—the pins reserve as output pins and drive the ground signal. As output driving an unspecified signal—the pins reserve as output pins and drive any signal.
	As input tri-stated with bus-hold circuitry—the pins reserve as tri-state input pins with bus-hold circuitry.
	As input tri-stated with weak pull-up—the pins reserve as tri-state input pins with weak pull-up resistors.





Table 15. Dual-Purpose Pin Options

Allow you to specify whether the associated dual-purpose pin is reserved, and the reservation purpose. To access, click **Assignments ➤ Device ➤ Device and Pin Options ➤ Dual-Purpose Pins**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Dual-purpose pins	Use as regular I/O—the dual-purpose pin is not reserved. Rather the I/O pin is in in user mode.
	• Use as programming pin—the nCEO pin is reserved as a dedicated programming pin.
	As input tri-stated—the dual-purpose pin is reserved as an input pin.
	As output driving ground—the dual-purpose pin is reserved as an output pin and drives the ground signal.
	As output driving an unspecified signal—the dual-purpose pin is reserved as an output pin and drives any signal.
	Compiler configured—the Compiler automatically selects the best reserve setting for the dual-purpose pin, considering the current configuration scheme, and whether the pins are only used for configuration. If your design uses the Active Parallel configuration scheme and the Programmer does not communicate directly with the parallel flash device in user mode, you should reserve all dual-purpose pins connected to the parallel flash device as Compiler configured.

Table 16. Board Trace Model Options

For Intel Cyclone 10 GX designs only, allows you to specify the board trace, termination, and capacitive load parameters for each I/O standard. The board trace model parameters then apply to all output or bidirectional pins that you assign with the specified I/O standard. Board trace model parameters do not apply if you assign them to anything other than an output or bidirectional pin. You can create board trace model assignments for individual output or bidirectional pins in the Pin Planner. To access, click **Assignments** > **Device** > **Device** and Pin Options > Board Trace Model. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
I/O standard	Specifies the supported I/O standard, such as Differential 1.8-V SSTL Class II .
Board trace model	Lists the board trace model parameters, with units, and values for the specified I/O standard . You can change the value of each parameter. The board trace model assignments apply to all output and bidirectional pins with the specified I/O standard assigned to them.

Table 17. I/O Timing Options

Allow you to specify the node at which output I/O timing terminates. To access, click **Assignments ➤ Device** ➤ **Device and Pin Options ➤ I/O Timing**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Default timing I/O endpoint	Specify Near end or Far end .

Table 18. Voltage Options

Allow you to specify the default I/O bank voltage for pins on the target device. Also displays the core voltage of the device or other internal voltage information. To access, click **Assignments ➤ Device ➤ Device and Pin Options ➤ Voltage**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Default I/O standard	Specify 1.2 V, 1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, 3.0 LVTTL, or 3.0 LVCMOS.





Table 19. Error Detection CRC Options

Allow you to specify whether to use error detection cyclic redundancy check (CRC) and the value by which you want to divide the error check frequency for the currently selected device. To access, click **Assignments** > **Device** > **Device and Pin Options** > **Error Detection CRC**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Enable Error Detection CRC_ERROR pin	Enables error detection CRC and CRC_ERROR pin usage for the targeted device. This check determines the validity of the programming data in the device. Any changes in the data while the device is in operation generates an error. Note: Not available for Intel Stratix 10 devices.
Enable Open Drain on CRC Error pin	Sets the CRC ERROR pin as an open-drain pin. This action decouples the voltage level of the CRC ERROR pin from VCCIO voltage. When you turn on this option, you must connect a pull-up resistor to the CRC ERROR pin. Note: Not available for Intel Stratix 10 devices.
Enable error detection check	Enables error detection CRC checking to verify the validity of programming data in the device, and reports any changes in the data while the device is in operation.
Minimum SEU interval	Specifies the minimum time interval between two checks of the same bit. Setting to 0 means check as frequently as possible. Setting to a large value saves power. The unit of interval is millisecond. The maximum allowed number of intervals is 10000.
Enable internal scrubbing	Specifies use of internal scrubbing to correct any detected single error or double adjacent error within the core configuration memory while the device is still running.
Generate SEU sensitivity map file	Generates a Single Event Upset Sensitivity Map file. This file allows you to enable the Advanced SEU detection feature.
Allow SEU fault injection	Allows the injection of fault patterns to test for SEU.

Table 20. CvP Settings

Specifies the configuration mode for Configuration via Protocol (CvP). To access, click **Assignments ➤ Device** ➤ **Device and Pin Options ➤ CvP Settings**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Configuration via protocol	In Initialization and update mode, the periphery image stores in an external configuration device and loads the image into the FPGA through a conventional configuration scheme. The core image stores in a host memory and loads into the FPGA through the PCIe link. In Core initialization mode, the periphery image stores in an external configuration device and loads into the FPGA through the conventional configuration scheme. The core image is stores in a host memory and is loads into the FPGA through the PCIe link. In Core update mode, the FPGA device is initialized after initial system power up by loading the full configuration image from the external local configuration device to the FPGA. You can use the PCIe link to perform one or more FPGA core image update through this mode. In the Off mode, CvP is turned off.
Enable CvP_CONFDONE pin	Indicates that the device finished core programming in Configuration via Protocol mode. If this option is turned off, the CvP_CONFDONE pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin. Note: Not available for Intel Stratix 10 devices.
Enable open drain on CvP_CONFDONE pin	Enables the open drain on the CvP_CONFDONE pin. Note: Not available for Intel Stratix 10 devices.





Table 21. Partial Reconfiguration Options

Specifies generation of secondary programming files that partial reconfiguration requires. To access, click Assignments > Device > Device and Pin Options > Partial Reconfiguration. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Enable partial reconfiguration pins	Allows you to enable the PR_REQUEST, PR_READY, PR_ERROR, PR_DONE, DCLK, and DATA[310] pins. These pins are needed to support partial reconfiguration (PR) with an external host. An external host uses the PR_REQUEST pin to request partial reconfiguration, the PR_READY pin to determine if the device is ready to receive programming data, the PR_ERROR pin to externally monitor programming errors, and the PR_DONE pin to indicate the device finished programming. If this option is turned off, these pins are not available as PR pins when the device operates in user mode and the dual-purpose programming pins are available as user I/O pins. *Note: Not available for Intel Stratix 10 devices.
Enable open drain on partial reconfiguration pins	Allows you to specify an open drain on the PR_READY, PR_ERROR, PR_DONE Partial Reconfiguration pins. Note: Not available for Intel Stratix 10 devices.
Generate Partial- Masked SOF files	Generates a Partial-Masked SRAM Object file (.pmsf) containing both configuration data and region definitions that can be used to re-configure a device region. If this option is turned on, the .pmsf generates instead of a Mask Settings file (.msf).
Generate Partial Reconfiguration RBF	Generates a Partial Reconfiguration Raw Binary File (.rbf) containing configuration data that an intelligent external controller can use to reconfigure the portion of target device.

Table 22. Power Management & VID Options

For Intel Stratix 10 devices only, specifies options for managing power, such as the bus speed mode and the slave address of the voltage regulator when in PMBus Master mode. To access, click **Assignments** > **Device** > **Device and Pin Options** > **Power Management & VID Options**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Bus speed mode	Generates a Partial-Masked SRAM Object file (.pmsf) containing both configuration data and region definitions that can be used to re-configure a device region. If this option is turned on, the .pmsf generates instead of a Mask Settings file (.msf).
Slave device type	Generates a Partial Reconfiguration Raw Binary File (.rbf) containing configuration data that an intelligent external controller can use to reconfigure the portion of target device.
Device address in PMBus Slave mode	Specifies the starting 00 device address when in PMBus Slave mode.
PMBus device 0 slave address through PMBus device 7 slave address	Specifies 7-bit hexadecimal value (without leading prefix 0x). For example, 7F for the slave address of a voltage regulator when in PMBus Master mode. You must specify a non-zero address.
Voltage output format	Specifies the Auto discovery , Direct format , or Linear format output voltage format when in PMBus Master mode
Direct format coefficient (m,b,R)	Specifies direct format coefficient m, b, or R when in PMBus Master mode. Signed integer between -32768 and 32767. Coefficient m is the slope coefficient. Coefficient b is the offset. Coefficient R is the exponent. Refer to the PMBus device manufacturer product documentation for these values. You must set this parameter when output voltage format of PMBus device is Direct format or Auto discovery format. You must specify a non-zero address when the output voltage format of PMBus device is in Direct format .
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Option	Description
Linear format N	Specifies linear format N when in PMBus Master mode. Signed integer between -16 and 15. This is the exponent for the mantissa for the output voltage related command when VOUT format is set to Linear format . Refer to the PMBus device manufacturer product documentation for these values. You must specify a non-zero value for Linear format .
Translated voltage value unit	Specifies the Volts or Millivolts output voltage format when in PMBus Master mode.
Enable PAGE command	The FPGA PMBus master uses PAGE command to set all output channels on registered regulator modules to respond to VOUT_COMMAND.

Table 23. Authentication and Encryption Options

For Intel Stratix 10 devices, specifies settings for programming bitstream authentication and encryption. To access these settings, click **Assignments** > **Device** > **Device and Pin Options** > **Authentication and Encryption**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Description
Quartus key file	Specifies the .qek file that the .sof requires for decryption.
Enable Programming Bitstream Encryption	Encrypts the programming bitstream, which requires decryption before use.
Encryption Key Select	Allows you to specify the device that stores the .qek.

Table 24. Configuration PIN Dialog Box

For Intel Stratix 10 devices, allows you to enable or disable specific configuration pins. For example, you can enable the CvP_CONFDONE pin, which indicates that the device finished core programming in Configuration via Protocol mode. To access these settings, click **Assignments** > **Device** > **Device and Pin Options** > **Configuration Pin Options**. Disabled options are unavailable for the current device or configuration mode.

Option	Values	Description
USE PWRMGT_SCL output	SDM_100 SDM_IO14	This is a required PMBus interface for the power management when the VID operation mode is the PMBus Master or PMBus Slave mode. Disable this pin for a non-SmartVID device.
		Intel recommends using the SDM_IO14 pin for this function.
Use PWRMGT_SDA output	SDM_1011 SDM_1012 SDM_1016	This is a required PMBus interface for the power management when the VID operation mode is the PMBus Master or PMBus Slave mode. Disable this pin for a non-SmartVID device. Intel recommends using the SDM_IO11 pin for this function.
Use PWRMGT_ALERT output	SDM_100 SDM_1012	This is a required PMBus interface for the power management that is used only in the PMBus Slave mode. Disable this pin for a non-SmartVID device. Intel recommends using the SDM_IO12 pin for this function.
USE CONF_DONE output	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	Implement CONF_DONE using appropriate configuration pin resource.
USE INIT_DONE output	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	Enables the INIT_DONE pin, which allows you to externally monitor when initialization is completed and the device is in user mode. If this option is turned off, the INIT_DONE pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
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Option	Values	Description
USE CVPCONF_DONE output	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	Enables the CVP_CONFDONE pin, which indicates that the device finished core programming in Configuration via Protocol mode. If this option is turned off, the CVP_CONFDONE pin is disabled when the device operates in user mode and is available as a user I/O pin.
USE SEU_ERROR output	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	Enables the SEU_ERROR pin for use in single event upset error detection.
USE UIB CATTRIP output	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	Enables UIB_CATTRIP output to indicate an extreme over-temperature conditioning resulted from UIB usage.
USE HPS cold nreset	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	An optional reset input that cold resets only the HPS and is configured for bidirectional operation.
Direct to factory image	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	If this pin asserted then device loads the factory image as the first image after boot without attempting to load any application image.
USE DATA LOCK output	SDM_100, SDM_1010 - SDM_1016	Output to indicate DIBs on both die in the same package is ready for data transfer.

2.9.2. Input Files Tab Settings (Programming File Generator)

The **Input Files** tab allows you to specify the .sof, .pmsf, or .rbf file that contains the configuration bitstream data required to generate one or more secondary programming files. The **Input Files** tab and options change dynamically, according to your **Output Files** tab selections.

The following input file settings are available:

Table 25. Input File Settings

Setting	Description
Add Bitstream	Click this button to specify a .sof, .pmsf, or .rbf as input for generation of the secondary programming file you select in Output Files . Depending on the target device, the Intel Quartus Prime software may allow you to add multiple SOF files.
Add Raw Data	Click this button to specify a .hex or .bin file that contains raw programming data as input for generation of the secondary programming file you select in Output Files .
Remove	Removes the file you select from the Input Files tab.
Properties	Displays the properties of the item you select in the Input Files tab.

2.9.3. Output Files Tab Settings (Programming File Generator)

The **Output Files** tab allows you to specify the type of secondary programming file that you want to generate (output) with the **Programming File Generator**. The **Programming File Generator** converts a primary programming file (for example, .sof) into a programming file for alternative programming methods (for example, a .jic for flash programming). The **Output Files** tab and options change dynamically according to your selections.



The following output file settings are available:

Table 26. Output File Options

Setting	Description
Device family	Specifies the FPGA device family you are targeting for configuration. Programming File Generator supports only Intel Stratix 10, Intel MAX 10, and Intel Cyclone 10 LP devices.
Configuration mode	Specifies the method of FPGA configuration, such as Active Serial x4 , AVST x8 , AVST x16 , or AVST x32 . Generic Flash Programmer supports only Active Serial x4 .
Output directory and Name	Specifies the name and location of the file you generate. By default, this location is in the top-level project directory.
File Types	Allows you to enable the type of secondary programming file that you want to generate. Generic Flash Programmer supports only JTAG Indirect Configuration File (.jic). The available options include: JTAG Indirect Configuration File (.jic) Programmer Object File (.pof) Raw Binary File for CvP Core Configuration (.rbf) Raw Binary File for HPS Core Configuration (.rbf) Raw Binary File for Partial Reconfiguration (.rbf) Raw Programming Data File (.rpd)

2.9.4. Configuration Device Tab Settings (Programming File Generator)

The **Configuration Device** tab allows you to specify the properties of an existing or new flash memory device that you want to program. Click **Add Device** to select a programming template for a predefined flash memory, or to click **<<new device>>** and then define a new flash memory device.

The following settings are available:

Table 27. Configuration Device Tab Settings

Option	Description
Device name	Specify a unique name for the flash not already listed in the Name column. The Name must not contain any empty string (space) or special characters (except "_").
Device ID	Specify the 3-byte ID that the Programmer Auto-Detect operation uses to detect the flash programming device, such as $0x20\ 0xBB\ 0x21$.
Device I/O voltage	Specify 1.8V or 3.0/3.3V to match your memory device specification.
Device density	Select the total density that corresponds with your flash memory device size.
Total device die	Specify the total number of die for a stacked device (where applicable).
Single I/O mode dummy clock	Specify the Fast Read dummy clock cycle for flash device in single I/O protocol. The programming file generation uses this setting to determine if the configuration requires bit shifting to compensate for the actual dummy clock cycle during Active Serial configuration.
Quad I/O mode dummy clock	Specify the Fast Read dummy clock cycle for flash device in Quad I/O protocol. The programming file generation uses this setting to determine if the configuration requires bit shifting to compensate for the actual dummy clock cycle during Active Serial configuration.
Device database directory	Specifies the location of the $.\mathrm{xml}$ file that preserves a flash memory device definition.
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Option	Description
	Note: When you specify a non-default folder for the Device database directory location, place the .sof and .jic files in the same folder as the .xml file to avoid missing a defined flash database or corruption of the .jic file.

2.9.5. Add Partition Dialog Box (Programming File Generator)

To open in the **Programming File Generator**, click the **Configuration Device** tab, select a device from the list, and click **Add Partition**.

Allows you to specify the attributes of a new partition. The following settings are available:

Table 28. Add Partition Dialog Box Settings

Setting	Description
Name	Name that you give to the partition.
Input file	Input file to program into the flash partition.
Page	Configuration devices can store multiple configuration bitstreams in flash memory, called pages. CFI configuration devices can store up to eight configuration bitstreams. Intel Stratix 10 devices can store up to four configuration bitstreams, including the factory image. In Intel Stratix 10 devices, with the remote system update feature enabled, Page represents the parity.
Address Mode	The options are: • Auto—automatically allocates a block in the flash device to store the data. • Block—specify the start and end address of the flash partition. • Start—specify the start address of the partition. The tool assigns the end address of the partition based on the input data size.
Start address	Specifies the start address of the partition. Only enabled when Address Mode is Block or Start .
End address	Specifies the end address of the partition. Only enabled when Address Mode is Block .

2.9.6. Bitstream Compression, Authentication, and Encryption Settings (Programming File Generator)

The following table describes authentication and encryption settings for the .sof. To access, select an .sof in the **Input files to convert** list in the **Programming File Generator**, and click **Properties**.

Table 29. Input File Properties Dialog Box (Intel Stratix 10 Designs)

Setting	Description
Bootloader	Specifies an ASCII text file in Intel hexadecimal format that contains configuration data for programming a parallel data source, such as a configuration device or a mass storage device. The parallel data source in turn configures an SRAM-based Intel device
Enable signing tool	Allows you to specify a Specify a Privacy Enhanced Mail Certificates file (.pem) for Private key file and a Quartus Co-Signed Firmware file (.zip) for the Co-signed firmware .
Finalize encryption	Allows you to specify an Encryption key file (. qek) for the Co-signed firmware .





2.9.7. Convert Programming File Dialog Box

Allows you to convert or combine one or more secondary programming files that support alternative device configuration schemes, such as flash programming, partial reconfiguration, or remote system update.

Table 30. Convert Programming File Dialog Box Settings

Setting	Description
Programming file type	Allows you to specify a secondary programming file format for conversion of a primary programming file. The Generic Flash Programmer supports only the .jic file type.
Configuration device	Allows you to select a predefined or define a new configuration device. Click the () button to define a new device and programming flow.
Mode	Allows you to select the method of device configuration. The Generic Flash Programmer supports only the Active Serial or Active Serial x4 modes.
Output file	Specifies the location of the files that Convert Programming File generates. By default this location is the top-level project directory.
Input files to convert	Specifies one or more primary programming files for conversion or combination into one or more secondary programming files for alternative programming methods.

2.9.8. Compression and Encryption Settings (Convert Programming File)

The compression and encryption settings allow you to specify options for compression and encryption key security for the device configuration SRAM Object File (.sof). To access these settings, select the .sof in the **Input files to convert** list in the **Convert Programming File** dialog box, and click **Properties**.

Table 31. SOF File Properties: Bitstream Encryption Dialog Box (Convert Programming File Dialog Box)

Setting	Description
Compression	Applies compression to the bitstream to reduce the size of your programming file. The Intel Quartus Prime Assembler can generate a compressed bitstream image that reduces configuration file size by 30% to 55% (depending on the design). The FPGA device receives the compressed configuration bitstream, and then can decompress the data in real-time during configuration. This option is unavailable whenever Generate encrypted bitstream is enabled.
Enable decompression during partial reconfiguration	Enables the option bit for bitstream decompression during Partial Reconfiguration.
Generate encrypted bitstream	Generates an encrypted bitstream configuration image. You then generate and specify an encryption key file (.ekp) for device configuration. This option is unavailable whenever Compression is enabled.
Enable volatile security key	Allows you to encrypt the .sof file with volatile (enabled) or non-volatile (disabled) security key.
Generate encryption lock file	Specifies the name of the encryption lock file (.elk) that Convert Programming File generates.
Generate key programming file	Specifies the name of the key programming file (.key) that Convert Programming File generates.
Use key file	 Key 1 file—specifies the name of Key 1 .key file. Key 2 file—specifies the name of Key 2 .key file.
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Setting	Description
Key entry	Allows you to enter the keys for decryption.
Security options	Disable partial reconfiguration—specifies options for prevention of partial reconfiguration.
	Disable key-related JTAG instructions—disables JTAG instructions for the period of time you specify.
	 Disable other extended JTAG instructions—disables other JTAG instructions for the period of time you specify.
Design Security Feature Disclaimer	Acknowledges required acceptance of Design Security Disclaimer.

2.9.9. SOF Data Properties Dialog Box (Convert Programming File)

Allows you to define flash memory pages that store configuration data. To access from the **Convert Programming File** dialog box, click the **SOF Data** item and click the **Properties** button.

The following settings are available:

Table 32. SOF Data Properties Dialog Box Settings

Setting	Description
Pages	Configuration devices can store multiple configuration bitstreams in flash memory, called pages. CFI configuration devices can store up to eight configuration bitstreams. Some Intel FPGA devices can store multiple configuration bitstreams, including the factory image.
Address mode for selected pages	The options are: • Auto—automatically allocates a block in the flash device to store the data. • Block—specify the start and end address of the flash partition. • Start—specify the start address of the partition. The tool assigns the end address of the partition based on the input data size.
Start address	Specifies the start address of the partition. Only enabled when Address Mode is Block or Start .
End address	Specifies the end address of the partition. Only enabled when Address Mode is Block .

2.9.10. Select Devices (Flash Loader) Dialog Box

Allows you to select the device that controls loading of configuration data into a flash memory device. To access from the **Programming File Generator**, click the **Select** button for **Flash loader** in the **Configuration Device** tab. To access from the **Convert Programming File** dialog box, select the **Flash Loader** item and click **Add Device**.

The following settings are available:

Table 33. Flash Loader (Select Devices Dialog Box)

Option	Description
Device family	Specifies the family of the flash loader device.
Device name	Specifies the name of the flash loader device.





2.10. Scripting Support

In addition to the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer GUI, you can access programmer functionality from the command line and from scripts with the Intel Quartus Prime command-line executable quartus_pgm.exe (or quartus_pgm in Linux).

The following command programs a device:

```
quartus_pgm -c usbblasterII -m jtag -o bpv;design.pof
```

Where:

-c usbblasterII specifies the Intel FPGA Download Cable II

-m jtag specifies the JTAG programming mode

-o bpv represents the blank-check, program, and verify operations

design.pof represents the .pof containing the design logic

The Programmer automatically executes the erase operation before programming the device.

For Linux terminal, use:

```
quartus_pgm -c usbblasterII -m jtag -o bpv\;design.pof
```

Related Information

Intel Quartus Prime Scripting

In Intel Quartus Prime Help

2.10.1. The jtagconfig Debugging Tool

You can use the <code>jtagconfig</code> command-line utility to check the devices in a JTAG chain and the user-defined devices. The <code>jtagconfig</code> command-line utility is similar to the auto detect operation in the Intel Quartus Prime Programmer.

For more information about the ${\tt jtagconfig}$ utility, use the help available at the command prompt:

```
jtagconfig [-h | --help]
```

Note:

The help switch does not reference the -n switch. The jtagconfig -n command shows each node for each JTAG device.

Related Information

Command Line Scripting

In Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Scripting





2.11. Programming Intel FPGA Devices Revision History

Table 34. Document Revision History

Date	Intel Quartus Prime Version	Changes
2019.06.10	19.1.0	 Updated "Programming with Flash Loaders" topic to reflect new Generic Flash Programmer. Removed references to obsolete 32-bit stand-alone Programmer. Added "Erasing Flash Memory Sectors" topic describing complete erase of flash memory. Added new "Programmer Settings Reference" section containing the following new GUI reference topics: "Device & Pin Options Dialog Box" "Input Files Tab Settings (Programming File Generator)" "Configuration Device Tab Settings (Programming File Generator)" "Add Partition Dialog Box (Programming File Generator)" "Bitstream Compression, Authentication, and Encryption Settings (Programming File Generator)" "Convert Programming Files Dialog Box" "Bitstream Compression and Encryption Settings (Convert Programming File)" "SOF Data Properties Dialog Box" "Select Devices (Flash Loader) Dialog Box"
2019.04.01	19.1.0	 Added new "Using PR Bitstream Security Verification" topic. Added new "Basic Device Configuration Steps" topic. Added new "Programming and Configuration Modes" topic. Retitled and reorganized topics to improve flow of information. Added enhanced diagram of Programmer to "Intel Quartus Prime Programmer" topic. Updated screenshots.
2018.10.09	18.1.0	Created topic: Stand-Alone Programmer Memory Limitations from content in topic: Stand-Alone Programmer. Removed outdated support information.
2018.08.07	18.0.0	Reverted document title to Programmer User Guide: Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition.
2018.06.27	18.0.0	Moved information about programming file generator to new chapter: Generating Programming Files.
2018.05.07	18.0.0	First release as part of the stand-alone Programmer User Guide
2017.05.08	17.0.0	Added Project Hash feature.
2016.10.31	16.1.0	Implemented Intel rebranding.
2015.11.02	15.1.0	Changed instances of Quartus II to Intel Quartus Prime software.
2015.05.04	15.0.0	Added Conversion Setup File (.cof) description and example.
December 2014	14.1.0	Updated the Scripting Support section to include a Linux command to program a device.
June 2014	14.0.0	Added Running JTAG Daemon. Removed Cyclone III and Stratix III devices references. Removed MegaWizard Plug-In Manager references. Updated Secondary Programming Files section to add notes about the Quartus II Programmer support for .rbf files.



Date	Intel Quartus Prime Version	Changes
November 2013	13.1.0	Converted to DITA format. Added JTAG Debug Mode for Partial Reconfiguration and Configuring Partial Reconfiguration Bitstream in JTAG Debug Mode sections.
November 2012	12.1.0	Updated Table 18–3 on page 18–6, and Table 18–4 on page 18–8. Added "Converting Programming Files for Partial Reconfiguration" on page 18–10, "Generating .pmsf using a .msf and a .sof" on page 18–10, "Generating .rbf for Partial Reconfiguration Using a .pmsf" on page 18–12, "Enable Decompression during Partial Reconfiguration Option" on page 18–14 Updated "Scripting Support" on page 18–15.
June 2012	12.0.0	 Updated Table 18-5 on page 18-8. Updated "Quartus II Programmer GUI" on page 18-3.
November 2011	11.1.0	 Updated "Configuration Modes" on page 18–5. Added "Optional Programming or Configuration Files" on page 18–6. Updated Table 18–2 on page 18–5.
May 2011	11.0.0	 Added links to Quartus II Help. Updated "Hardware Setup" on page 21-4 and "JTAG Chain Debugger Tool" on page 21-4.
December 2010	10.1.0	 Changed to new document template. Updated "JTAG Chain Debugger Example" on page 20-4. Added links to Quartus II Help. Reorganized chapter.
July 2010	10.0.0	Added links to Quartus II Help. Deleted screen shots.
November 2009	9.1.0	No change to content.
March 2009	9.0.0	 Added a row to Table 21-4. Changed references from "JTAG Chain Debug" to "JTAG Chain Debugger". Updated figures.

Related Information

Documentation Archive

For previous versions of the *Intel Quartus Prime Handbook*, search the documentation archives.

2.12. Document Archive

If an Intel Quartus Prime version is not listed, the user guide for the previous Intel Quartus Prime version applies.

Intel Quartus Prime Version	User Guide
18.1.0	Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Programmer







A. Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guides

Refer to the following user guides for comprehensive information on all phases of the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition FPGA design flow.

Related Information

- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Getting Started
 - Introduces the basic features, files, and design flow of the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition software, including managing Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition projects and IP, initial design planning considerations, and project migration from previous software versions.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Platform Designer
 Describes creating and optimizing systems using Platform Designer, a system integration tool that simplifies integrating customized IP cores in your project. Platform Designer automatically generates interconnect logic to connect intellectual property (IP) functions and subsystems.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Design Recommendations
 Describes best design practices for designing FPGAs with the Intel Quartus
 Prime Pro Edition software. HDL coding styles and synchronous design
 practices can significantly impact design performance. Following recommended
 HDL coding styles ensures that Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition synthesis
 optimally implements your design in hardware.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Design Compilation
 Describes set up, running, and optimization for all stages of the Intel Quartus
 Prime Pro Edition Compiler. The Compiler synthesizes, places, and routes your
 design before generating a device programming file.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Design Optimization
 Describes Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition settings, tools, and techniques that
 you can use to achieve the highest design performance in Intel FPGAs.
 Techniques include optimizing the design netlist, addressing critical chains that
 limit retiming and timing closure, optimizing device resource usage, device
 floorplanning, and implementing engineering change orders (ECOs).
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Programmer
 Describes operation of the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition Programmer, which
 allows you to configure Intel FPGA devices, and program CPLD and
 configuration devices, via connection with an Intel FPGA download cable.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Block-Based Design
 Describes block-based design flows, also known as modular or hierarchical
 design flows. These advanced flows enable preservation of design blocks (or
 logic that comprises a hierarchical design instance) within a project, and reuse
 of design blocks in other projects.

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- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Partial Reconfiguration
 Describes Partial Reconfiguration, an advanced design flow that allows you to
 reconfigure a portion of the FPGA dynamically, while the remaining FPGA
 design continues to function. Define multiple personas for a particular design
 region, without impacting operation in other areas.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Third-party Simulation
 Describes RTL- and gate-level design simulation support for third-party
 simulation tools by Aldec*, Cadence*, Mentor Graphics*, and Synopsys* that
 allow you to verify design behavior before device programming. Includes
 simulator support, simulation flows, and simulating Intel FPGA IP.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Third-party Synthesis

 Describes support for optional synthesis of your design in third-party synthesis tools by Mentor Graphics*, and Synopsys*. Includes design flow steps, generated file descriptions, and synthesis guidelines.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Third-party Logic Equivalence Checking Tools

Describes support for optional logic equivalence checking (LEC) of your design in third-party LEC tools by OneSpin*. Describes how to verify the logic equivalence between compilation netlists.

- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Debug Tools
 Describes a portfolio of Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition in-system design
 debugging tools for real-time verification of your design. These tools provide
 visibility by routing (or "tapping") signals in your design to debugging logic.
 These tools include System Console, Signal Tap logic analyzer, Transceiver
 Toolkit, In-System Memory Content Editor, and In-System Sources and Probes
 Editor.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Timing Analyzer
 Explains basic static timing analysis principals and use of the Intel Quartus
 Prime Pro Edition Timing Analyzer, a powerful ASIC-style timing analysis tool
 that validates the timing performance of all logic in your design using an
 industry-standard constraint, analysis, and reporting methodology.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Power Analysis and Optimization
 Describes the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition Power Analysis tools that allow
 accurate estimation of device power consumption. Estimate the power
 consumption of a device to develop power budgets and design power supplies,
 voltage regulators, heat sink, and cooling systems.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Design Constraints
 Describes timing and logic constraints that influence how the Compiler implements your design, such as pin assignments, device options, logic options, and timing constraints. Use the Interface Planner to prototype interface implementations, plan clocks, and quickly define a legal device floorplan. Use the Pin Planner to visualize, modify, and validate all I/O assignments in a graphical representation of the target device.
- Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: PCB Design Tools
 Describes support for optional third-party PCB design tools by Mentor
 Graphics* and Cadence*. Also includes information about signal integrity
 analysis and simulations with HSPICE and IBIS Models.



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• Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition User Guide: Scripting

Describes use of Tcl and command line scripts to control the Intel Quartus Prime Pro Edition software and to perform a wide range of functions, such as managing projects, specifying constraints, running compilation or timing analysis, or generating reports.

