

Applications of FPGA

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Application of FPGA's : Machine Learning Platform

□ ASIC hardware (GPU based) for Neural Network Training

FPGA based hardware accelerator for Inference (**DPU** : Data Processing Unit)

□ Logic design inside **FPGA** and **GPU** design implemented using SystemVerilog



Machine Learning Platform

Application of FPGA's : Automotive

Due to its high configurability FPGA based designs in modern car's is enabling auto makers to keep up with the latest consumer and safety trends to enhance In-Vehicle-Experience (IVE). Enables future proofing of hardware !

□ Intel Altera FPGA's has enabled advanced systems with unique features in IVE and Infotainment :

- Visual data (more displays, higher resolutions, unique surfaces, projection-based systems)
- Safety features such as gesture, speech and voice recognition, Driver Monitoring System, Lane Departure Warning and Blind Spot Detection
- Consumer electronics connectivity and Graphics IP for Infotainment such as USB, Bluetooth, WIFI, Video & Display connectivity



Application of FPGA's : Cloud Computing

Microsoft Catapult initiative has transformed cloud computing by augmenting CPUs with an interconnected and configurable compute layer composed of FPGA

- FPGA based hardware accelerator is utilized to give CPU a boost and handle critical workloads and big data
- Network traffic is routed through the FPGA, which can perform line-rate computation on even high-bandwidth network flows



[Credit: Microsoft, MICRO'16]

All digital design blocks such as CPU, DRAM Controller, Interconnects, NIC are all designed using HDL Language such as SystemVerilog ! 4

Application of FPGA's : Hardware Accelerator Development Over Cloud

Amazon Web Services (AWS) cloud provides configurable FPGA based hardware accelerators with full FPGA tool development, simulation and debugging kit for application development and/or testing user accelerator (HDL) designs



To learn more about Amazon cloud-based hardware accelerators and process, click on the link below :

https://aws.amazon.com/education/F1-instances-for-educators/

Application of FPGA's : High Performance Computing Over Cloud

□ Amazon Web Services For :

 High Performance Computing Applications to solve complex science, engineering, and business problems that require high bandwidth, enhanced networking, and very high compute capabilities such as :

Genomics Research, Real Time Video Processing, Big Data Search and Analytics



Applications of FPGA's and Use of System Verilog

□ With more and more FPGA based Clouds Platforms are emerging, SystemVerilog usage is further increasing beyond ASIC chip designs



