

## Re: cPLDs and FPGAs we've known and loved (or hated)

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Un bel giorno Frank Buss digitò:

The bigger issue with FPGAs of interesting sizes (300k and more) is that either they aren't available at all, or you are required to buy a truckload of them. There is no way to find a distributor willing to give you sampling quantities (1-3 pieces at a time); they just apply the same logic of the other components, no matter if they are 555 or a two-million gates, 1k\$ FPGA.

Which parts do you mean?

Mostly Xilinx. On occasions, Actel.

Most Altera parts are orderable at the Altera online shop in single units, even the really fat ones, like Stratix, same at Digikey.

I'm considering to switch from X to A from a while. For "historic" reasons I'm bound to Xilinx, but it's becoming too difficult (or I might say exhausting) to get their new devices. Probably a drastic change would still cost me less than to stay with X.

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