

This chapter describes the options you can choose in the ALTGX MegaWizard™ Plug-In Manager in the Quartus® II software to configure Stratix® IV GX and GT devices in different functional modes.

The MegaWizard Plug-In Manager in the Quartus II software creates or modifies design files that contain custom megafunction variations that can then be instantiated in a design file. You can use the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager to set the ALTGX megafunction features in the design. The ALTGX megafunction allows you to configure one or more transceiver channels. You can select the physical coding sublayer (PCS) and physical medium attachment (PMA) functional blocks depending on your transceiver configuration.

This chapter contains the following sections:

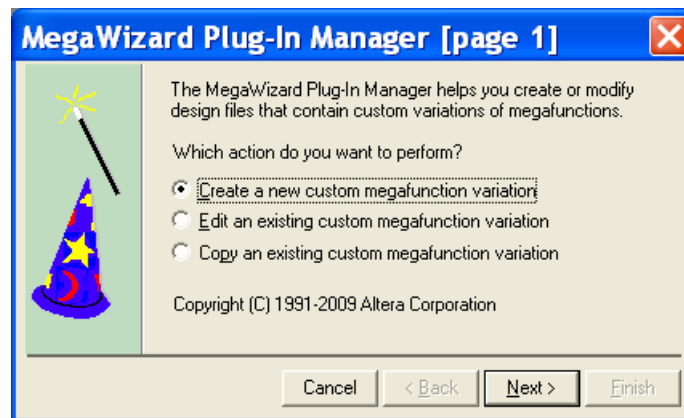
- “Parameter Settings” on page 1–3
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- “Protocol Settings” on page 1–35

Start the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager using one of the following methods:

- From the Tools menu, select **MegaWizard Plug-In Manager**.
- When working in the Block Editor, click **MegaWizard Plug-In Manager** in the **Symbol** dialog box (Edit menu).
- Start the standalone version of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager by typing the following command at the command prompt: `qmegawiz`.

Figure 1–1 shows the first page of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager. To generate an ALTGX custom megafunction variation, select **Create a new custom megafunction variation**.

**Figure 1–1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager (Page 1)**



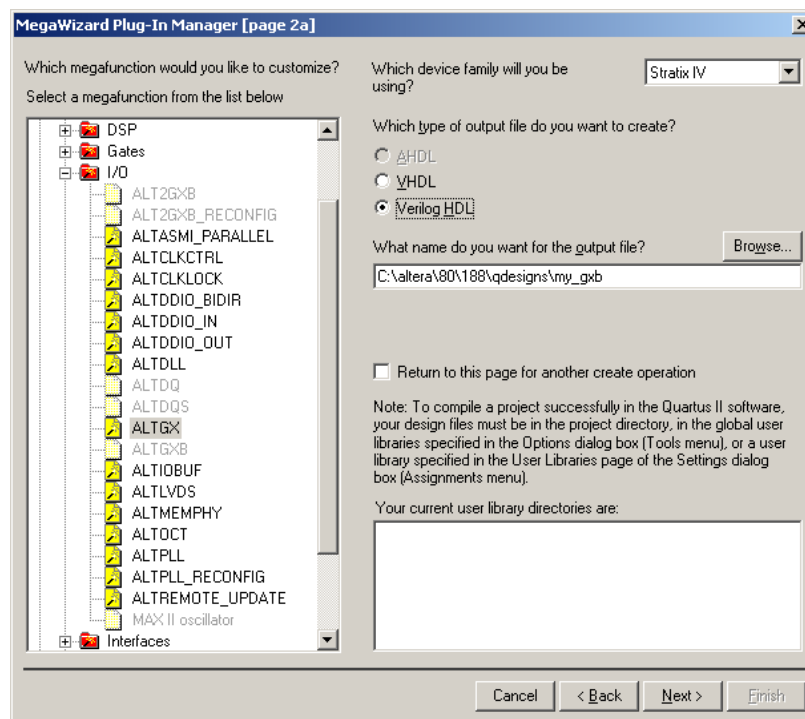
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Figure 1-2 shows the second page of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager.

To use the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager to configure a Stratix IV device, follow these steps:

1. Select **Stratix IV** as the device family.
2. Select either **VHDL** or **Verilog HDL** depending on the type of output files you want to create.
3. Select the **ALTGX** megafunction under the I/O section of the available megafunctions.
4. Name the output file, then **Browse** to the folder you want to save your file in and click **Next**. The **General** screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager opens (Figure 1-3).

**Figure 1-2. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager (Page 2)**



-  All reset and control signals are active high unless otherwise mentioned.
-  All output ports are synchronous to the data path unless otherwise specified.
-  Throughout this chapter, the various functional modes and their settings are explained for Stratix IV GX and GT devices.

# Parameter Settings

This section describes the options available on the individual pages of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings. The MegaWizard Plug-In Manager provides a warning if any of the settings you choose are illegal.

## General Screen for the Parameter Settings

Figure 1-3 shows the General screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings.

Figure 1-3. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (General Screen for the Parameter Settings)

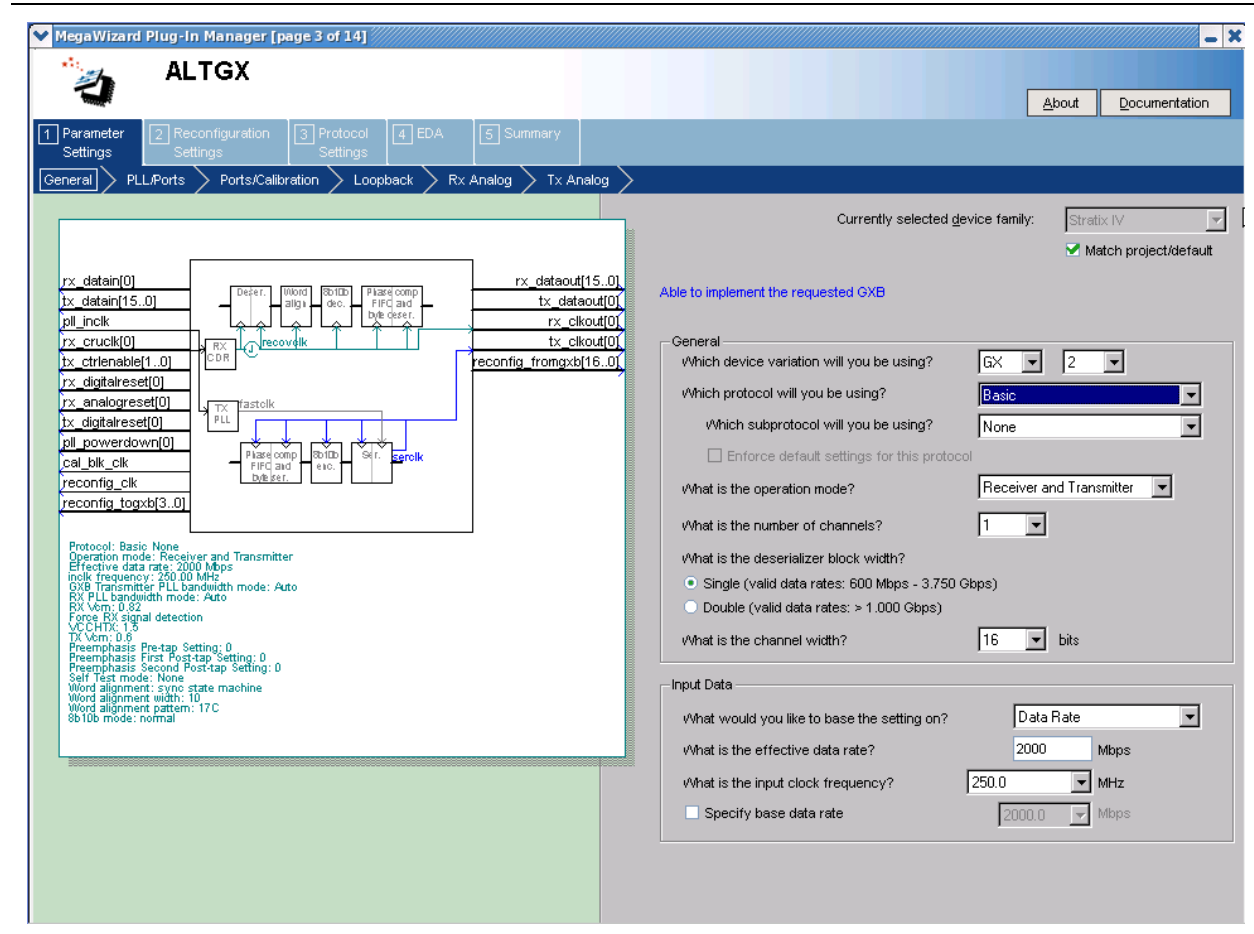


Table 1-1 lists the available functional modes and their options on the **General** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager. Depending on your configuration, you will select one of the following functional modes:

- **Basic**
- **Basic (PMA Direct)**
- **Deterministic Latency**
- **GIGE**
- **(OIF) CEI Phy Interface**
- **PCI Express® (PCIe)**
- **SDI**
- **Serial RapidIO®**
- **SONET/SDH**
- **XAUI**

If you select Basic (PMA Direct) mode, all the channels are configured with only the PMA blocks. These channels are called PMA-only channels throughout this chapter. The PMA-only channels include:

- Regular transceiver channels with PMA blocks only
- CMU channels (clock multiplier unit phase-locked loops [CMU PLLs] configured as additional transceiver channels with PMA blocks only)

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 1 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Which device variation will you be using?	Select <b>GX</b> or <b>GT</b> based on the Stratix IV device used in your design. Select the speed grade of your device. The available speed grades for the Stratix IV GX device are 2, 2x, 3, and 4. The available speed grades for the Stratix IV GT device are 1, 2 and 3.	<i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Which protocol will you be using?	Determines the specific protocol under which the transceiver operates. For a specific mode, you must select the desired protocol from the following list: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b></li> <li>■ <b>SDI</b></li> <li>■ <b>SONET/SDH</b></li> <li>■ <b>XAUI</b></li> <li>■ <b>Basic</b></li> <li>■ <b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b></li> <li>■ <b>Deterministic Latency</b></li> <li>■ <b>GIGE</b></li> <li>■ <b>PCIe</b></li> <li>■ <b>Serial RapidIO</b></li> </ul>	<i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 2 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Which subprotocol will you be using?	<p><b>Basic</b></p> <p>In Basic mode, the subprotocols are diagnostic modes. The available options are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ None—This is the normal operation of the transceiver.</li> <li>■ ×4—In this mode, all four channels within the transceiver block are clocked from its central clock divider block to minimize transmitter channel-to-channel skew.</li> <li>■ ×8—In this mode, all eight channels in two transceiver blocks are clocked from the central clock divider of the master transceiver block to minimize transmitter channel-to-channel skew.</li> <li>■ BIST—This subprotocol is applicable only for <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation mode. This mode loops the parallel data from the built-in self test (BIST) (non-PRBS) back to the BIST verifier in the receiver path. Parallel loopback is allowed only in Basic double-width mode.</li> <li>■ PRBS—This subprotocol is applicable only for <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation mode. This is another Serial Loopback mode but with the pseudo-random binary sequence (PRBS) BIST block active. The PRBS pattern depends on the serializer/deserializer (SERDES) factor.</li> </ul>	<p>“Basic Functional Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
	<p><b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ None—This is the normal mode of operation in which each channel is treated independently.</li> <li>■ XN—In this mode, the “N” in XN represents the number of channels in the bonded configuration. All N channels are clocked by the same transmit clock from the central clock divider block to minimize transmitter channel-to-channel skew.</li> </ul>	<p>“Basic PMA Direct Functional Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
	<p><b>Deterministic Latency</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ×1—In this mode, you can have up to two configured channels per transceiver block. Each channel uses one CMU PLL and its feedback path to compensate for the uncertain latency.</li> <li>■ ×4—In this mode, you can have up to four configured channels per transceiver block. All channels use one CMU PLL per block and its feedback path to compensate for the uncertain latency.</li> </ul>	<p>“Deterministic Latency Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 3 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Which subprotocol will you be using?	<p><b>PCIe</b></p> <p>In PCIe mode, there are six subprotocols:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Gen1 ×1—The transceiver is configured as a single-lane PCIe link for a 2.5 Gbps data rate.</li> <li>■ Gen1 ×4—The transceiver is configured as a four-lane PCIe link for a data rate of 2.5 Gbps.</li> <li>■ Gen1 ×8—The transceiver is configured as an eight-lane PCIe link for a data rate of 2.5 Gbps.</li> <li>■ Gen2 ×1—The transceiver is configured as a single-lane PCIe link for a 5.0 Gbps data rate.</li> <li>■ Gen2 ×4—The transceiver is configured as a four-lane PCIe link for a data rate of 5.0 Gbps.</li> <li>■ Gen2 ×8—The transceiver is configured as an eight-lane PCIe link for a data rate of 5.0 Gbps.</li> </ul>	<p>“PCIe Mode” in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
	<p><b>SDI</b></p> <p>In SDI mode, the two available subprotocols are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 3G—third-generation (3 Gbps) SDI at 2967 Mbps or 2970 Mbps.</li> <li>■ HD—high-definition SDI at 1483.5 Mbps or 1485 Mbps.</li> </ul>	<p>“SDI Mode” in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
	<p><b>SONET/SDH</b></p> <p>In SONET/SDH mode, the three available subprotocols and their data rates are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ OC-12—622 Mbps</li> <li>■ OC-48—2488.32 Mbps</li> <li>■ OC-96—4976.64 Mbps</li> </ul>	<p>“SONET/SDH Mode” in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
Enforce default settings for this protocol.	<p><b>Deterministic Latency</b></p> <p><b>GIGE</b></p> <p><b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b></p> <p><b>PCIe</b></p> <p><b>SONET/SDH</b></p> <p><b>XAUI</b></p> <p>If you select this option, all mode-specific ports and settings are used.</p>	—

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 4 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the operation mode?	<p><b>Basic</b>  <b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b>  <b>Deterministic Latency</b>  <b>SDI</b>  <b>Serial RapidIO</b>  <b>SONET/SDH</b></p> <p>The available operation modes are <b>Receiver only</b>, <b>Transmitter only</b>, and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b>.                      For Basic (PMA Direct) xN mode, the available operation modes are <b>Transmitter only</b> and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b>. However, if you set the subprotocol to <b>None</b>, the available operation modes are <b>Receiver only</b>, <b>Transmitter only</b>, and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b>.</p>	—
	<p><b>GIGE</b></p> <p>The available operation modes are <b>Transmitter only</b>, and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b>.</p>	—
	<p><b>PCIe</b>  <b>XAUI</b></p> <p>Only <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> mode is allowed.</p>	—

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 5 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the number of channels?	<b>Basic</b> <b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b> <b>Deterministic Latency</b> <b>SDI</b> <b>Serial RapidIO</b> The number of channels required with the same configuration. This option determines how many identical channels this ALTGX instance contains.	—
	<b>GIGE</b> <b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b> <b>SONET/SDH</b> This option allows you to select how many channels this ALTGX instance contains. In these modes, the number of channels increments by one.	—
	<b>PCIe</b> This is the number of channels required with the same configuration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In a ×4 subprotocol, the number of channels increments by 4.</li> <li>■ In a ×8 subprotocol, the number of channels increment by 8.</li> </ul>	—
	<b>XAUI</b> This option allows you to select how many identical channels this ALTGX instance contains. In XAUI mode, the number of channels increments by 4.	—

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 6 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the deserializer block width?	<p><b>Basic</b>  <b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b>  <b>Deterministic Latency</b>                      This option sets the transceiver data path width.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Single-width</b>—This mode operates from 600 Mbps to 3.75 Gbps.</li> <li>■ <b>Double-width</b>—This mode operates from 1 Gbps to 8.5 Gbps.</li> </ul>	<p>“Basic Single-Width Mode Configurations” and “Basic Double-Width Mode Configurations” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
	<p><b>GIGE</b>  <b>PCIe</b>  <b>SDI</b>  <b>Serial RapidIO</b>  <b>XAUI</b>                      These modes only operate in single-width mode. Double-width mode is not allowed.</p>	<p>—</p>
	<p><b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b>                      The (OIF) CEI PHY Interface mode only operates in double-width mode. Single-width mode is not allowed.</p>	<p>—</p>
	<p><b>SONET/SDH</b>                      This option allows you to set the transceiver data path width.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Single-width</b>—Selected automatically in OC-12 and OC-48 configurations. The transceiver data path width is 8 bits.</li> <li>■ <b>Double-width</b>—Selected automatically in OC-96 configurations. The transceiver data path width is 16 bits.</li> </ul>	<p>—</p>

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 7 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the channel width?	<p><b>Basic</b></p> <p><b>Deterministic Latency</b></p> <p>This option determines the FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface width.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Single-width mode—Selecting 8 or 10 bits bypasses the byte serializer/deserializer. Selecting 16 or 20 bits uses the byte serializer/deserializer.</li> <li>■ Double-width mode—Selecting 16 or 20 bits bypasses the byte serializer/deserializer. Selecting 32 or 40 bits uses the byte serializer/deserializer.</li> </ul>	“Byte Serializer” and “Byte Deserializer” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
	<p><b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b></p> <p>This option determines the FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface width.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Single-width mode—You can select 8 or 10 bits.</li> <li>■ Double-width mode— You can select 16 or 20 bits.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>GIGE</b></p> <p>This option determines the FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface width. In GIGE mode, only 8 bits are allowed.</p>	
	<p><b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b></p> <p>This option selects the FPGA fabric-Transceiver width. In (OIF) CEI PHY Interface mode, only 32 bits are allowed.</p>	
	<p><b>PCIe</b></p> <p>This option determines the FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface width.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In PCIe Gen1 (2.5 Gbps) mode, 8 and 16 bits are allowed.</li> <li>■ In PCIe Gen2 (5 Gbps) mode, only 16 bits are allowed.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>SDI</b></p> <p>This option determines the FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface width:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ HD mode—10-bit and 20-bit channel widths are allowed.</li> <li>■ 3G mode—only 20-bit channel width is allowed.</li> <li>■ 10-bit configuration—the byte serializer is not used.</li> <li>■ 20-bit configuration—the byte serializer is used.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Serial RapidIO</b></p> <p>The channel width is fixed to 16 in Serial RapidIO mode.</p>	

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 8 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the channel width?	<p><b>SONET/SDH</b></p> <p>This option selects the FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface width. Depending on your subprotocol selection, choose one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>8 bits</b> for OC-12 mode</li> <li>■ <b>16 bits</b> for OC-48 mode</li> <li>■ <b>32 bits</b> for OC-96 mode</li> </ul> <p><b>XAUI</b></p> <p>XAUI mode only operates in single-width mode.</p>	<p>“Byte Serializer” and “Byte Deserializer” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
What would you like to base the setting on?	<p><b>Basic</b></p> <p><b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b></p> <p>You can select one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Data rate</b>—Selecting this option allows you to enter the transceiver channel serial data rate. Based on the value you enter, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager populates the input reference clock frequency options in the <b>What is the input clock frequency?</b> field. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager determines these input reference clock frequencies depending on the available multiplier settings.</li> <li>■ <b>Input clock frequency</b>—Selecting this option allows you to enter your input clock frequency. Based on the value you enter, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager populates the data rate options in the <b>What is the effective data rate?</b> field. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager determines these data rate options depending on the available multiplier settings.</li> </ul>	<p>—</p>

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 9 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the effective data rate?	<b>Basic</b> <b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b> <b>Deterministic Latency</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If you select the <b>Data Rate</b> option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager allows you to specify the effective serial data rate value in this field.</li> <li>■ If you select the <b>Input Clock Frequency</b> option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager displays the list of effective serial data rates in this field.</li> </ul>	—
	<b>GIGE</b> This option is not available in <b>GIGE</b> mode. The transceiver channel serial data rate is fixed to 1250 Mbps in this mode.	—
	<b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b> The allowed effective data rate is between 3125 Mbps and 6500 Mbps. Enter the transceiver channel's serial data rate in this field.	—
	<b>PCIe</b> This option is not available in PCIe mode. The defaults are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 2500 Mbps for PCIe Gen1 mode.</li> <li>■ 5000 Mbps for PCIe Gen 2 mode.</li> </ul>	—
	<b>SDI</b> The effective data rate is fixed at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 2967 Mbps or 2970 Mbps in 3G mode.</li> <li>■ 1483.5 Mbps or 1485 Mbps in HD mode.</li> </ul>	—
	<b>Serial RapidIO</b> Enter one of these three data rates in this option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1250 Mbps.</li> <li>■ 2500 Mbps.</li> <li>■ 3125 Mbps.</li> </ul>	—
	<b>SONET/SDH</b> The effective data rate is fixed at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 622 Mbps in OC-12 mode.</li> <li>■ 2488.32 Mbps in OC-48 mode.</li> <li>■ 4976 Mbps in OC-96 mode.</li> </ul>	—
	<b>XAUI</b> The effective data rate can be from 3125 Mbps to 3750 Mbps.	—

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 10 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
<p>What is the input clock frequency?</p>	<p><b>Basic</b> <b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If you select the <b>Input Clock Frequency</b> option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager allows you to specify the input reference clock frequency in this field.</li> <li>■ If you select the <b>Data Rate</b> option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager displays the list of input reference clock frequencies in this field.</li> </ul>	<p>“Input Reference Clocking” section in the <i>Transceiver Clocking in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
	<p><b>Deterministic Latency</b> <b>GIGE</b> <b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b> <b>SDI</b> <b>SONET/SDH</b></p> <p>Based on the effective data rate value in the <b>What is the effective data rate?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager determines the input reference clock frequencies depending on the available multiplier settings.</p>	
	<p><b>PCIe</b></p> <p>This option is not available in PCIe mode. The input reference clock frequency is fixed to 100 MHz in PCIe mode.</p>	
	<p><b>Serial RapidIO</b></p> <p>This option provides the available input reference clock frequencies depending on whether your effective serial data rate is 1250 Mbps, 2500 Mbps, or 3125 Mbps and the available multiplier settings.</p>	
	<p><b>XAUI</b></p> <p>This option provides the available input reference clock frequencies depending on whether your effective serial data rate is 3125 Mbps or 3750 Mbps and the available multiplier settings.</p>	

**Table 1-1. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (General Screen for Basic Mode) (Part 11 of 11)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Specify base data rate.	<p><b>Basic</b></p> <p><b>Basic (PMA Direct)</b></p> <p>The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager provides you the <b>base data rate</b> options for the CMU/advanced technology extended (ATX) PLL and receiver clock data recovery (CDR).</p> <p>If you select a value in this field that is greater than the value in the <b>What is the effective data rate?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager enables the appropriate local clock divider values. The local divider is present in the and receiver channels.</p>	—
	<p><b>GIGE</b></p> <p>This option is not available in this mode because the data rate is fixed. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager provides you the base data rate options for the CMU PLL and receiver CDR.</p>	—
	<p><b>(OIF) CEI PHY Interface</b></p> <p><b>Serial RapidIO</b></p> <p><b>XAUI</b></p> <p>This option is not available in these modes. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager provides you the base data rate options for the CMU PLL and receiver CDR.</p>	—
	<p><b>PCIe</b></p> <p>For Gen1 ×1, an optional base data rate of either 2500 or 5000 Mbps is available.</p>	—
	<p><b>SDI</b></p> <p>This option is not available this mode as the data rate is fixed in 3G and HD modes. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager provides you the base data rate options for the CMU PLL and receiver CDR.</p>	—
	<p><b>SONET/SDH</b></p> <p>This option is not available in this mode as the data rates are fixed in OC-12, OC-48, and OC-96 modes. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager provides you the base data rate options for the CMU PLL and receiver CDR in this option.</p>	—

## PLL/Ports Screen for the Parameter Settings

Figure 1-4 shows the PLL/Ports screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings.

Figure 1-4. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (PLL/Ports Screen)

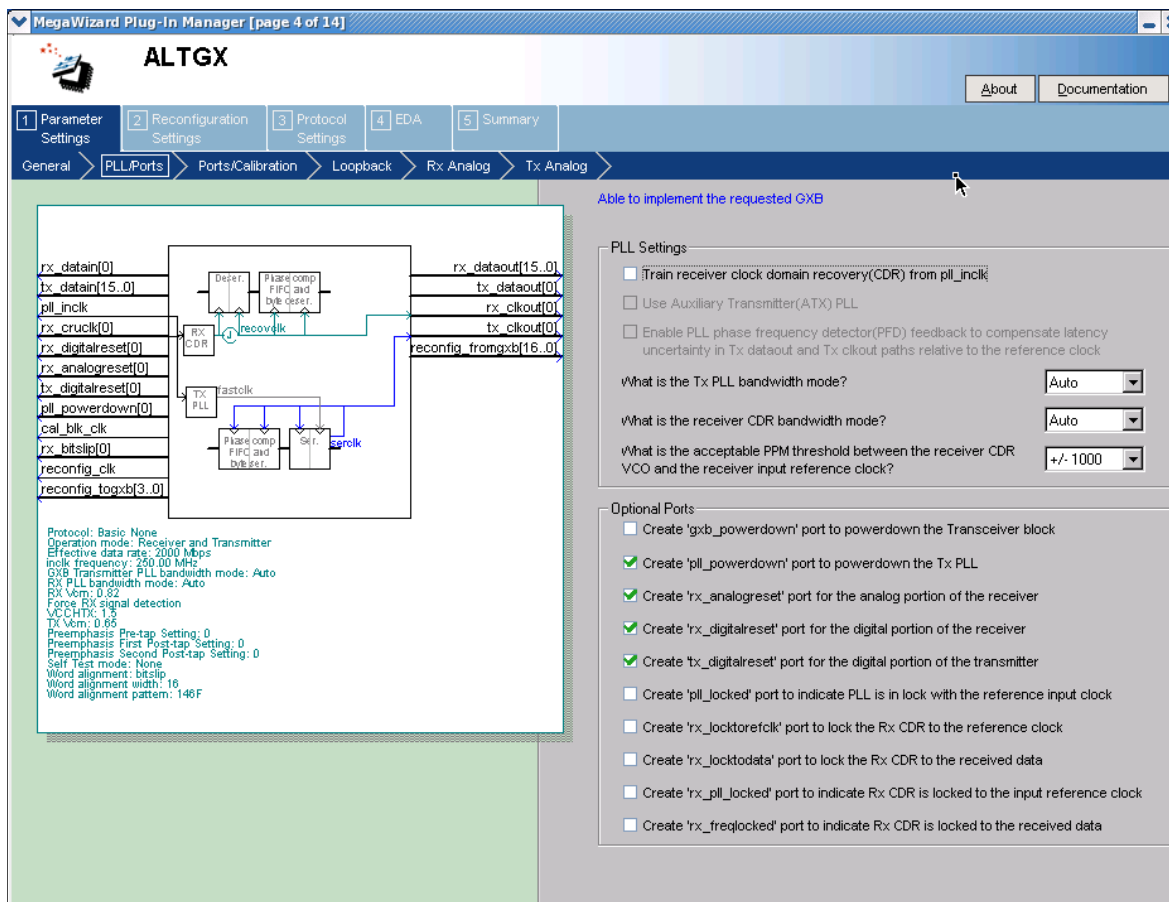


Table 1-2 lists the available options on the PLL/ports screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

Table 1-2. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PLL/Ports Screen) (Part 1 of 3)

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Train receiver clock and data recovery (CDR) from pll_inclk.	If you select this option, the input reference clock to the CMU PLL trains the receiver CDR.	Table 1-77 in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Use ATX Transmitter PLL	This option is only available for certain data rates. Refer to the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter for the supported data rates.  This option enables the auxiliary transmitter PLL. This is a low-jitter PLL that resides between the transceiver blocks and can be used as a transmitter PLL.	“Auxiliary Transmit (ATX) PLL Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> , the <i>Transceiver Clocking in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter, and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.

**Table 1-2. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PLL/Ports Screen) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable PLL phase frequency detector (PFD) feedback to compensate latency uncertainty in <code>tx_dataout</code> and <code>tx_clkout</code> paths relative to the reference clock.	This option applies only when you select <b>Deterministic Latency</b> functional mode.	“CMU PLL Feedback” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the TX PLL bandwidth mode?	The available options are <b>Auto</b> , <b>Low</b> , <b>Medium</b> , and <b>High</b> . Select the appropriate option based on your system requirements.	“PLL Bandwidth Setting” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
What is the receiver CDR bandwidth mode?	The available options are <b>Auto</b> , <b>Low</b> , <b>Medium</b> , and <b>High</b> . Select the appropriate option based on your system requirements.	“Clock and Data Recovery Unit” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
What is the acceptable PPM threshold between the receiver CDR VCO and the receiver input reference clock?	In Automatic Lock mode, the CDR remains in Lock-to-Data (LTD) mode as long as the parts per million (PPM) difference between the CDR VCO output clock and the input reference clock is less than the PPM value that you set in this option. If the PPM difference is greater than the PPM value that you set in this option, the CDR switches to Lock-to-Reference (LTR) mode.  The range of values available in this option is $\pm 62.5$ ppm to $\pm 1000$ ppm. (1)	“Automatic Lock Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
<b>Optional Ports</b>		
Create a <code>gxb_powerdown</code> port to power down the transceiver block.	When asserted, this signal powers down the entire transceiver block. If none of the channels are instantiated in a transceiver block, the Quartus II software automatically powers down the entire transceiver block.	“User Reset and Power Down Signals” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>pll_powerdown</code> port to power down the TX PLL.	Each transceiver block has two CMU PLLs. Each CMU/ATX PLL has a dedicated power down signal called <code>pll_powerdown</code> . This signal powers down the CMU/ATX PLL.	“User Reset and Power Down Signals” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>rx_analogreset</code> port for the analog portion of the receiver.	The receiver analog reset port is available in <b>Receiver only</b> and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation modes. This resets part of the analog portion of the receiver CDR in the receiver channel.  Altera recommends using this port to implement the recommended reset sequence. The minimum pulse width is two parallel clock cycles.	“User Reset and Power Down Signals” in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-2. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PLL/Ports Screen) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create a <code>rx_digitalreset</code> port for the digital portion of the receiver.	The receiver digital reset port is available in <b>Receiver only</b> and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation modes. This resets the PCS portion of the receiver channel. Altera recommends using this port to implement the recommended reset sequence. The minimum pulse width is two parallel clock cycles.	“User Reset and Power Down Signals” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_digitalreset</code> port for the digital portion of the transmitter.	The transmitter digital reset port is available in <b>Transmitter only</b> and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation modes. This resets the PCS portion of the transmitter channel. Altera recommends using this port to implement the recommended reset sequence. The minimum pulse width is two parallel clock cycles.	“User Reset and Power Down Signals” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>pll_locked</code> port to indicate PLL is in lock with the reference input clock.	Each CMU/ATX PLL has a dedicated <code>pll_locked</code> signal that is fed to the FPGA fabric to indicate when the PLL is locked to the input reference clock.	“Transceiver Reset Sequences” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_locktorefclk</code> port to lock the RX CDR to the reference clock.	When this signal is asserted high, the LTR/LTD controller forces the receiver CDR to lock to the phase and frequency of the input reference clock. (1), (2)	“LTR/LTD Controller” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_locktodata</code> port to lock the RX CDR to the received data.	When this signal is asserted high, the LTR/LTD controller forces the receiver CDR to lock to the received data. (1), (2)	“LTR/LTD Controller” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_pll_locked</code> port to indicate RX CDR is locked to the input reference clock.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In LTR mode, this signal is asserted high to indicate that the receiver CDR has locked to the phase and frequency of the input reference clock.</li> <li>■ In LTD mode, this signal has no significance. (1)</li> </ul>	“Lock-to-Reference (LTR) Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_freqlocked</code> port to indicate RX CDR is locked to the received data.	This signal is asserted high to indicate that the receiver CDR has switched from LTR to LTD mode. This signal has relevance only in Automatic Lock mode and may be required to control the transceiver resets, as described in the <i>User Reset and Power Down Signals</i> section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter. (1)	“LTR/LTD Controller” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Notes to Table 1-2:**

- (1) LTR mode is lock-to-reference mode and LTD mode is lock-to-data mode.
- (2) When `rx_locktorefclk` and `rx_locktodata` are both asserted high, `rx_locktodata` takes precedence over `rx_locktorefclk`, forcing the CDR to lock to the received data. When both these signals are de-asserted, the LTR/LTD controller is configured in Automatic Lock mode.

## Ports/Calibration Screen for the Parameter Settings

Figure 1-5 shows the **Ports/Calibration** screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings.

Figure 1-5. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Ports/Calibration Screen)

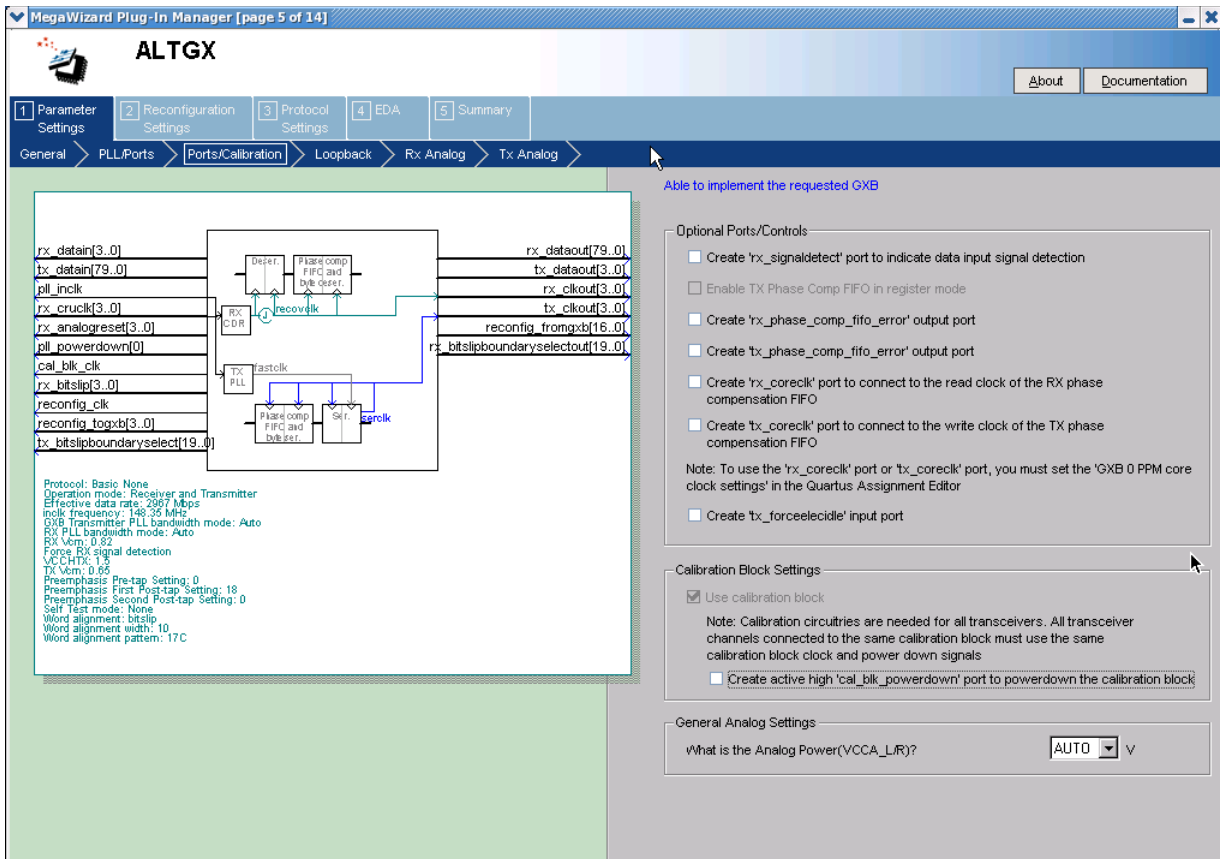


Table 1-3 lists the available options on the **Ports/Calibration** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation. Unless indicated otherwise, the options apply to all functional modes.

Table 1-3. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Ports/Calibration Screen) (Part 1 of 3)

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
<b>Optional Ports/Controls</b>		
Create an <code>rx_signaldetect</code> port to indicate data input signal detection.	This port is only available in <b>Basic</b> and <b>PCIe</b> mode.	“Signal Threshold Detection Circuitry” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable TX Phase Comp FIFO in register mode.	This option is only available in <b>Deterministic Latency</b> mode.	“Deterministic Latency” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_phase_comp_fifo_error</code> output port.	This output port indicates a Receiver Phase Compensation FIFO overflow or under-run condition.	“Receiver Phase Compensation FIFO Error Flag” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-3. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Ports/Calibration Screen) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create a <code>tx_phase_comp_fifo_error</code> output port.	This output port indicates a Transmitter Phase Compensation FIFO overflow or under-run condition.	“TX Phase Compensation FIFO Status Signal” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_coreclk</code> port to connect to the read clock of the RX phase compensation FIFO.	You can clock the parallel output data from the receiver using this optional input port. This port allows you to clock the read side of the Receiver Phase Compensation FIFO with a user-provided clock (FPGA fabric clock, FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface clock, or input reference clock).	“FPGA Fabric-Transceiver Interface Clocking” section in the <i>Transceiver Clocking in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_coreclk</code> port to connect to the write clock of the TX phase compensation FIFO.	You can clock the parallel transmitter data generated in the FPGA fabric using this optional input port. This port allows you to clock the write side of the Transmitter Phase Compensation FIFO with a user-provided clock (FPGA fabric clock, FPGA fabric-Transceiver interface clock, or input reference clock).	“FPGA Fabric-Transceiver Interface Clocking” section in the <i>Transceiver Clocking in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_forceelecidle</code> input port	In Basic and PCIe modes, this optional input signal places the transmitter buffer in the electrical idle state.	“Transceiver Channel Architecture” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Use calibration block.	The calibration block is always enabled.	“Calibration Blocks” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-3. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Ports/Calibration Screen) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create an active high <code>cal_blk_powerdown</code> to power down the calibration block.	Asserting this signal high powers down the calibration block. A high-to-low transition on this signal restarts calibration.	“Input Signals to the Calibration Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the Analog Power ( $V_{CCA\_L/R}$ )?	<p>The options available for selection are based on what you specify in the <b>Specify base data rate</b> option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>3.3 V</b>—Available up to 11.3 Gbps for Stratix IV GT devices only.</li> <li>■ <b>3.0 V</b>—Available up to 8.5 Gbps.</li> <li>■ <b>2.5 V</b>—Available up to 4.25 Gbps.</li> <li>■ <b>AUTO</b>—The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager automatically sets <math>V_{CCA\_L/R}</math> to <b>2.5 V</b> for the VCO data rates less than 4.25 Gbps.</li> </ul> <p>or</p> <p><math>V_{CCA\_L/R}</math> to <b>3.0 V</b> for the VCO data rates greater than 4.25 Gbps.</p> <p>It is up to you to connect the correct voltage supply to the <math>V_{CCA\_L/R}</math> pins on the board.</p>	“General Requirements to Combine Channels” section in the <i>Configuring Multiple Protocols and Data Rates in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## Loopback Screen for the Parameter Settings

Figure 1-6 shows the Loopback screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings.

Figure 1-6. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Loopback Screen)

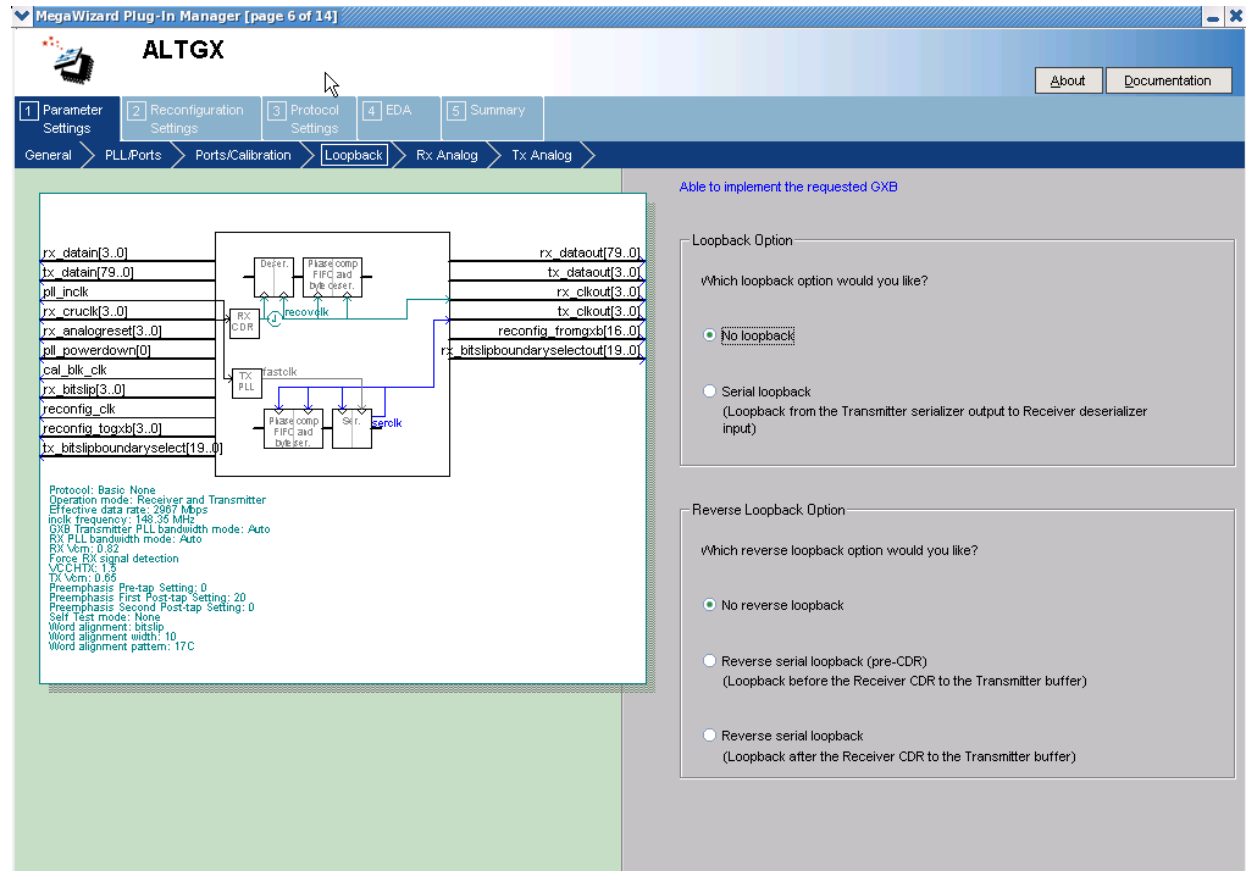


Table 1-4 lists the available options on the **Loopback** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-4. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Lpbk Screen)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Which loopback option would you like?	<p>There are two options available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>No loopback</b>—This is the default mode.</li> <li>■ <b>Serial loopback</b>—If you select serial loopback, the <code>rx_serial_lpbken</code> port is available to control the serial loopback feature dynamically. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1'b1—enables serial loopback</li> <li>■ 1'b0—disables serial loopback</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>This signal is asynchronous to the receiver datapath.</p>	<p>“Serial Loopback” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
Which reverse loopback option would you like?	<p>There are three options available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>No reverse loopback</b>—This is the default mode.</li> <li>■ <b>Reverse Serial loopback (pre-CDR)</b>—This is the loopback before the receiver’s CDR block to the transmitter buffer. The receiver path in PCS is active but the transmitter side is not.</li> <li>■ <b>Reverse Serial loopback</b>—This is a loopback after the receiver’s CDR block to the transmitter buffer. The receiver path in PCS is active but the transmitter side is not.</li> </ul>	<p>“Loopback Modes” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>

## RX Analog Screen for the Parameter Settings

Figure 1-7 shows the RX Analog screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings.

Figure 1-7. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (RX Analog Screen)

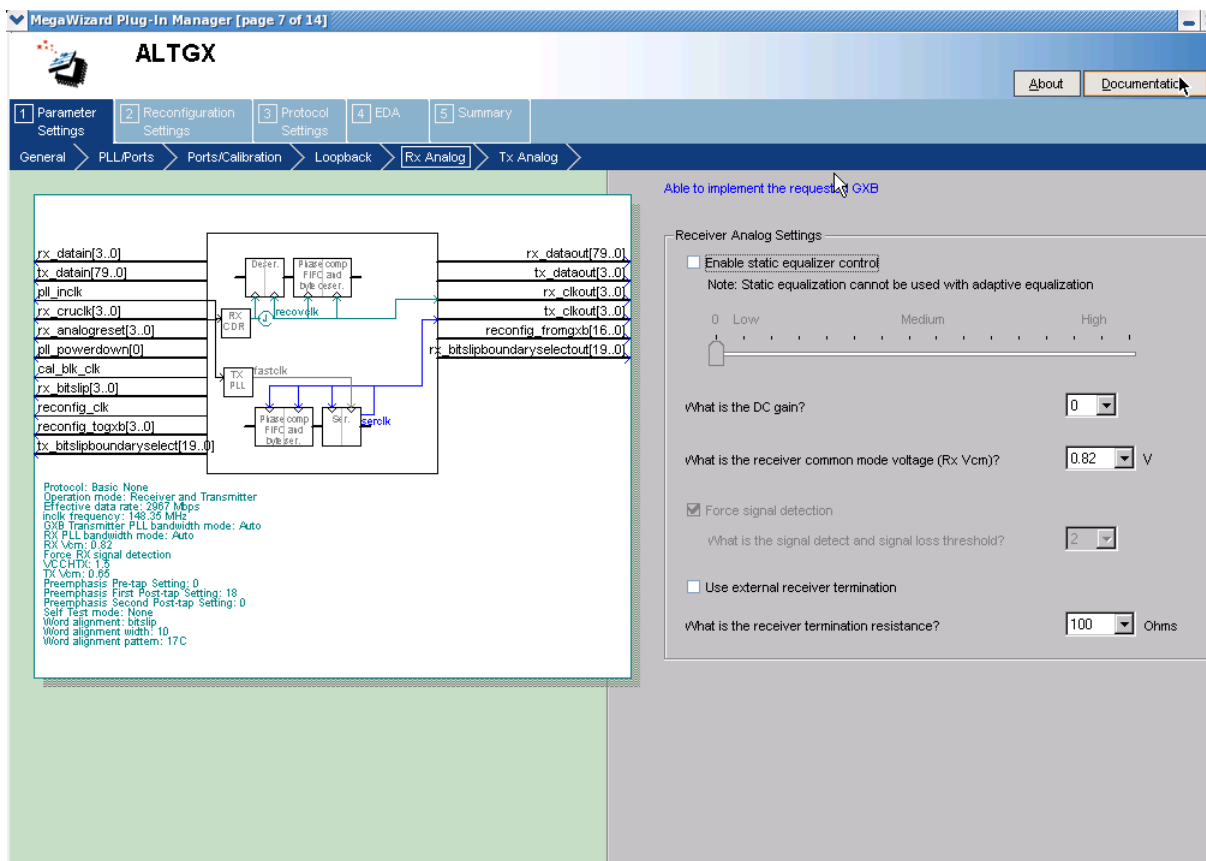


Table 1-5 lists the available options on the RX Analog screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

Table 1-5. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (RX Analog Screen) (Part 1 of 2)

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable static equalizer control.	This option enables the static equalizer settings.	“Programmable Equalization and DC Gain” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
What is the DC gain?	This DC gain option has five settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0 – 0 dB</li> <li>■ 1 – 3 dB</li> <li>■ 2 – 6 dB</li> <li>■ 3 – 9 dB</li> <li>■ 4 – 12 dB</li> </ul>	“Programmable Equalization and DC Gain” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-5. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (RX Analog Screen) (Part 2 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the receiver common mode voltage (RX $V_{CM}$ )?	The receiver common mode voltage is programmable to 0.82 V or 1.1 V.	“Receiver Channel Datapath” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Force signal detection.	In <b>PCIe</b> mode, this option disables the signal threshold detect circuit for the receiver CDR. The receiver CDR no longer depends on the signal detect criterion to switch from LTR to LTD mode.	“Signal Threshold Detection Circuitry” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the signal detect threshold?	Use this option in <b>PCIe</b> or <b>Basic</b> mode with the 8B/10B block enabled and the <code>rx_signaldetect</code> port selected to determine the threshold level for the signal detect circuit. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>PIPE</b> mode—The levels are fixed.</li> <li>■ <b>Basic</b> mode—A range of values depending on the data rate are available. The levels will be determined after characterization.</li> </ul>	“Signal Threshold Detection Circuitry” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Use external receiver termination.	Select this option if you want to use an external termination resistor instead of differential on-chip termination (OCT). If checked, this option turns off the receiver OCT.	“Programmable Differential On-Chip Termination” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the receiver termination resistance?	This option allows you to select the receiver differential termination value. The settings allowed are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 85 <math>\Omega</math></li> <li>■ 100 <math>\Omega</math></li> <li>■ 120 <math>\Omega</math></li> <li>■ 150 <math>\Omega</math></li> </ul>	“Programmable Differential On-Chip Termination” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter, and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.

## TX Analog Screen for the Parameter Settings

Figure 1-8 shows the TX Analog screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Parameter Settings.

Figure 1-8. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (TX Analog Screen)

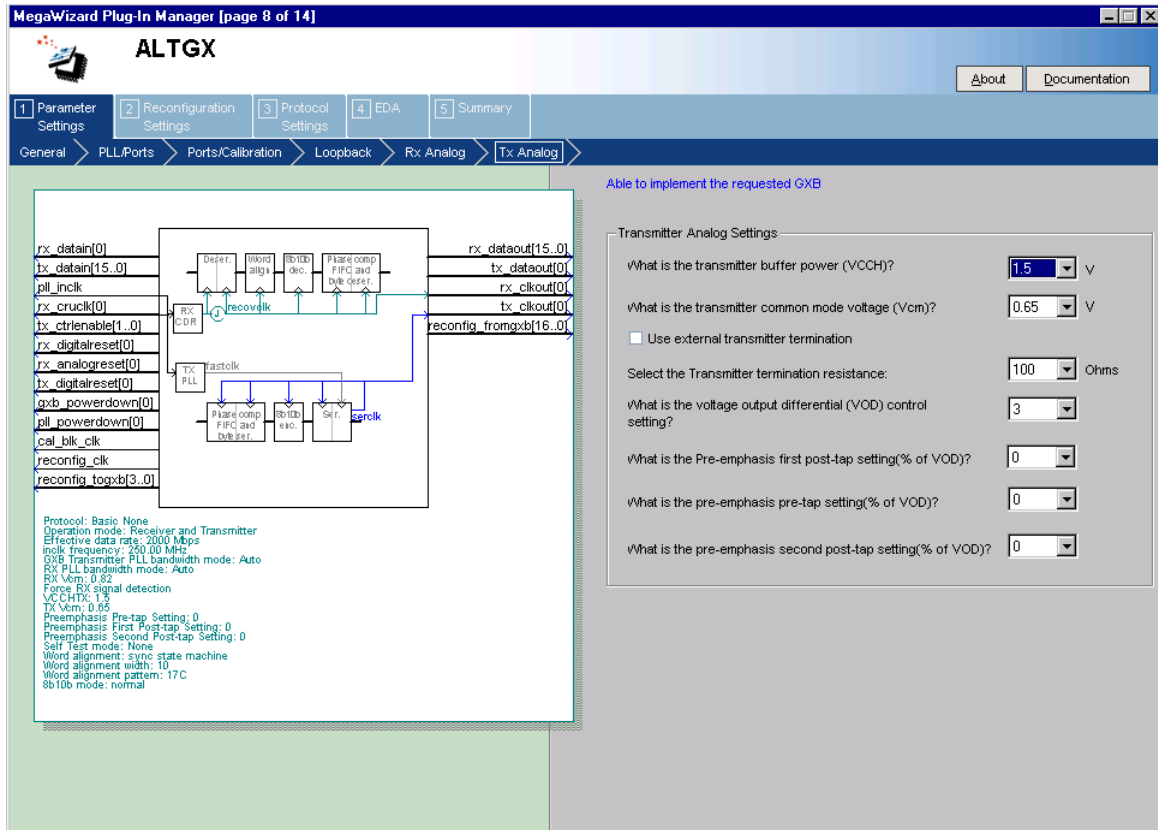


Table 1-6 lists the available options on the **TX Analog** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-6. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (TX Analog Screen) (Part 1 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the transmitter buffer power ( $V_{CCH}$ )?	<p>The options available for selection are based on what you enter in the <b>What is the effective data rate?</b> option.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>1.4 V</b>—Available up to 8.5 Gbps.</li> <li>■ <b>1.5 V</b> is available up to 6.5 Gbps (not available for Stratix IV GT).</li> <li>■ <b>AUTO</b>—The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager automatically sets <math>V_{CCH}</math> to <b>1.5 V</b> for the effective data rates less than 6.5 Gbps or <math>V_{CCH}</math> to <b>1.4 V</b> for effective data rates greater than 6.5 Gbps.</li> </ul> <p>It is up to you to connect the correct voltage supply to the <math>v_{CCH}</math> pins on the board.</p>	“Programmable Transmit Output Buffer Power ( $V_{CCH}$ )” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the transmitter common mode voltage ( $V_{CM}$ )?	The transmitter common mode voltage is fixed to 0.65 V.	“Transmitter Output Buffer” in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
Use external transmitter termination.	This option is available if you want to use an external termination resistor instead of the differential OCT. Checking this option turns off the transmitter differential OCT.	“Programmable Transmitter Termination” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
Select the transmitter termination resistance.	This option selects the transmitter differential termination value. The settings allowed are 85 $\Omega$ , 100 $\Omega$ , 120 $\Omega$ , and 150 $\Omega$ .	“Programmable Transmitter Termination” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
What is the voltage output differential ( $V_{OD}$ ) control setting?	This option selects the $V_{OD}$ of the transmitter buffer. The available $V_{OD}$ settings change based on the transmitter termination resistance value.	“Programmable Output Differential Voltage” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.
What is the pre-emphasis first post-tap setting (% of VOD)?	This option sets the amount of pre-emphasis on the transmitter buffer using first post-tap.	“Programmable Pre-Emphasis” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-6. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (TX Analog Screen) (Part 2 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the pre-emphasis pre-tap setting (% of VOD)?	This option sets the amount of pre-emphasis on the transmitter buffer using pre-tap.	“Programmable Pre-Emphasis” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the pre-emphasis second post-tap setting (% of VOD)?	This option sets the amount of pre-emphasis on the transmitter buffer using second post-tap.	“Programmable Pre-Emphasis” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## Reconfiguration Settings

This section describes the various dynamic reconfiguration modes and settings for Stratix IV GX and GT transceivers.

In Reconfiguration Settings, when you enable the **Enable Channel and Transmitter PLL reconfiguration** option, the following screens become available:

- Modes
- Transmitter PLLs
- Clocking/Interface

The following sections describe these screens and their corresponding settings.

## Modes Screen for the Reconfiguration Settings

Figure 1-9 shows the Modes screen, listing the various dynamic reconfiguration modes available.

Figure 1-9. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—Reconfiguration Settings

The screenshot displays the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager interface for the ALTGX transceiver. The 'Reconfiguration Settings' tab is active, showing the 'Modes' sub-tab. The left pane contains a block diagram of the transceiver with the following signals listed:

- rx\_datain[0]
- tx\_datain[15..0]
- pll\_inclk\_rx\_cruck[0]
- tx\_ctrlenable[1..0]
- rx\_digitalreset[0]
- rx\_analogreset[0]
- tx\_digitalreset[0]
- qxb\_powerdown[0]
- pll\_powerdown[0]
- cal\_blk\_clk
- reconfig\_clk
- reconfig\_togxb[3..0]

The right pane, titled 'Dynamic Reconfiguration Settings', includes the following options:

- What do you want to be able to dynamically reconfigure in the transceiver?
  - Note: A transceiver reconfig megafunction must be instantiated and connected to the created ports
  - Analog controls (VOD, Pre-emphasis, Manual Equalization and EyeQ)
  - Enable adaptive equalizer control
  - Offset cancellation for Receiver channels
  - Enable Channel and Transmitter PLL reconfiguration
    - Channel Interface
    - Use alternate CMU Transmitter PLL
    - Use additional CMU/ATX Transmitter PLLs from outside the Transceiver block
      - How many additional PLLs are used?
    - How many input clocks are used?
  - What is the starting channel number?
- Note: When multiple instances of the transceiver megafunction is controlled by a single reconfig controller, each instance of the megafunction must have a set of consecutive channel numbers beginning with a unique number that is a multiple of four. The reconfig channel number should match the transceiver channel that is being reconfigured.

Table 1-7 lists the different options available in the **Modes** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-7. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Modes Screen) (Part 1 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
<b>Dynamic Reconfiguration Settings</b>		
<p>What do you want to be able to dynamically reconfigure in the transceiver?</p>	<p>The different dynamic reconfiguration modes available are listed in the <b>Reconfiguration Settings</b> screen. Based on which portion of the transceiver you want to reconfigure, select the corresponding options and connect the ALTGX_RECONFIG instance to the ALTGX instance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Analog controls (VOD, Pre-emphasis, and Manual Equalization and EyeQ)—Enable this option to dynamically reconfigure the PMA control settings similar to VOD, pre-emphasis, manual equalization, DC gain, and EyeQ.</li> <li>■ Enable adaptive equalizer control—Selecting this option enables the Adaptive Equalization (AEQ) hardware and provides the following additional ports:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ aeq_togxb[ ]</li> <li>■ aeq_fromgxb[ ]</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>These ports provide the interface between the receiver channel and the dynamic reconfiguration controller.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Offset cancellation for receiver channels—This option is enabled by default for <b>Receiver only</b> and <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> configurations. It is not available for <b>Transmitter only</b> configurations.</li> </ul> <p>Ensure that you connect a dynamic reconfiguration controller to all the transceiver channels in the design.</p>	<p>“Dynamic Reconfiguration Modes Implementation” section, “PMA Controls Reconfiguration Mode Details” section, “Enabling the AEQ Control Logic and AEQ Hardware” section, and the “Offset Cancellation Feature” section in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
<p>Enable Channel and Transmitter PLL Reconfiguration</p>	<p>You must enable this option to reconfigure one of the following: Transmitter local divider block, CMU PLL, Transceiver channel, or Both the CMU PLL and transceiver channel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Channel Interface—This option allows channel interface reconfiguration.</li> <li>■ Use alternate CMU Transmitter PLL—This option sets up the alternate PLL so that the transceiver channel can optionally select between the output of the main and alternate transmitter PLL.</li> </ul> <p>Use additional CMU/ATX Transmitter PLLs from outside the Transceiver Block—This option allows you to select a maximum of four transmitter PLLs. For example, you can select the ATX PLL as the main PLL and three additional PLLs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ How many additional PLLs are used?—You can have a maximum of two PLLs outside the transceiver block.</li> </ul>	<p>“Transceiver Channel Reconfiguration Modes Details” section, “FPGA Fabric-Transceiver Channel Interface Selection” section, “Transceiver Channel Reconfiguration Modes Details” section, and the “Multi-PLL Settings” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>

**Table 1-7. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Modes Screen) (Part 2 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
How many input clocks are used?	Enter the number of input clocks available for selection for the transmitter PLLs and receiver PLL. You have a choice of up to 10 input clock sources (clock 1, clock 2, and so on).	“Guidelines for Specifying the Input Reference Clocks” <i>section</i> in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the starting channel number?	You must set the starting channel number of the first ALTGX instance controlled by the dynamic reconfiguration controller to <b>0</b> . Set the starting channel number of the consecutive ALTGX instances controlled by the same dynamic reconfiguration controller, if any, in the next available multiples of 4.	“Logical Channel Addressing while Reconfiguring the PMA Controls” <i>section</i> in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## Transmitter PLL Settings

Depending on the number of additional PLLs you select in the **How many additional PLLs are used?** option in Reconfiguration Settings, the corresponding PLL screens become available.

Each of these PLL screens have the same settings available for selection. [Table 1-8](#) lists each of these settings.



The Main PLL is the PLL you configure in the **General** screen. Therefore, some of the options are already enabled or disabled for this PLL. Some of the options differ when compared with the additional transmitter PLLs.

Figure 1-10 shows the options available on the **Main PLL** screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager.

**Figure 1-10. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options—Main PLL Screen**

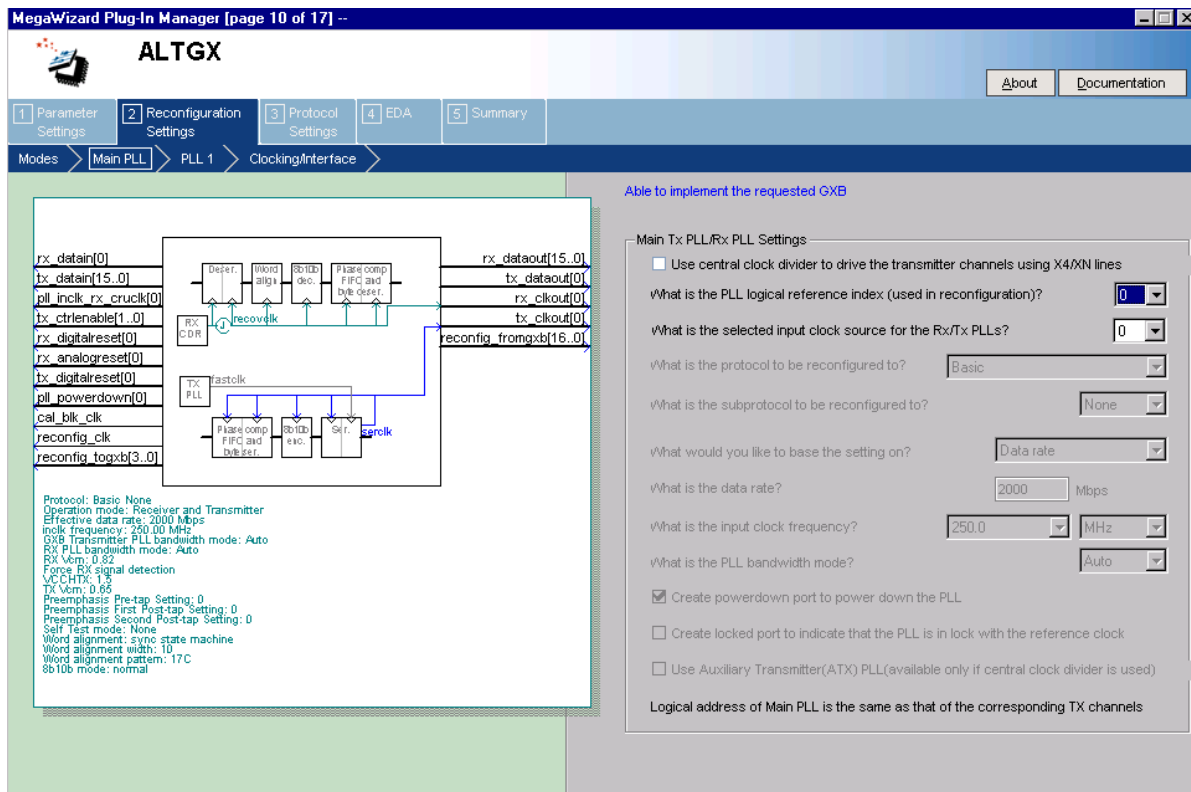


Table 1-8 lists the available options on the **Main PLL** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-8. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Main PLL Screen) (Part 1 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
<b>Main Tx PLL/Rx PLL Settings</b>		
Use central clock divider to drive the transmitter channels using $\times 4/\times N$ lines	If this option is enabled, the transmitter PLL is outside the transceiver block. If this option is disabled, the transmitter PLL is one of the CMU PLLs within the same transceiver block.	“Selecting the PLL Logical Reference Index for Additional PLLs” and the “Multi-PLL Settings” sections in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the PLL logical reference index (used in reconfiguration)?	The PLL logical reference index is selected based on the location of the alternate PLL. If the <b>Use central clock divider to drive the transmitter channels using <math>\times 4/\times N</math> lines</b> option is unchecked this must be 0 or 1, otherwise this must be 2 or 3.	“Selecting the PLL Logical Reference Index for Additional PLLs” and “Selecting the Logical Reference Index of the CMU PLL” sections in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1–8. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Main PLL Screen) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the selected input clock source for the Rx/Tx PLLs?	Assign identification numbers to all input reference clocks that are used by the transmitter PLLs in their corresponding PLL screens. You can set up a maximum of 10 input reference clocks and assign identification numbers from 1 to 10.	“Guidelines for Specifying the Input Reference Clocks” section in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the protocol to be reconfigured to?	Select the desired functional mode here, if you intend to dynamically reconfigure the transceiver channel to a different functional mode using the alternate transmitter PLL.	“Channel Reconfiguration with Transmitter PLL Select Mode Details” in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the subprotocol to be reconfigured to?	This option is not available for <b>Basic, (OIF) CEI PHY Interface, Serial RapidIO, GIGE, and XAUI</b> functional modes. This option is available for the following protocols and subprotocols: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Protocol = <b>PCIe</b>; Subprotocols = Gen 1 and Gen 2</li> <li>■ Protocol = <b>SDI</b>; Subprotocols = 3G and HD</li> <li>■ Protocol = <b>SONET/SDH</b>; Subprotocols = OC12, OC48, and OC96</li> </ul>	—
What would you like to base the setting on?	This option is available only for <b>Basic</b> mode. You can select one of the following options for the alternate transmitter PLL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Input clock frequency</b>—Selecting this option allows you to enter your input clock frequency. Based on the value you enter, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager populates the data rate options in the <b>What is the effective data rate?</b> field. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager determines these data rate options depending on the available multiplier settings.</li> <li>■ <b>Data rate</b>—Selecting this option allows you to enter the transceiver channel serial data rate. Based on the value you enter, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager populates the input reference clock frequency options in the <b>What is the input clock frequency?</b> field. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager determines these input reference clock frequencies depending on the available multiplier settings.</li> </ul>	—
What is the data rate?	These settings are to dynamically reconfigure the transceiver channel to listen to the alternate transmitter PLL. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If you select the data rate option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager allows you to specify the effective serial data rate value in this field.</li> <li>■ If you select the <b>input clock frequency</b> option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager displays the list of effective serial data rates in this field.</li> </ul>	—

**Table 1–8. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Main PLL Screen) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the input clock frequency?	<p>These settings are to dynamically reconfigure the transceiver channel to listen to the alternate transmitter PLL.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If you select the <b>input clock frequency</b> option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager displays the list of effective serial data rates in this field.</li> <li>■ If you select the data rate option in the <b>What would you like to base the setting on?</b> field, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager allows you to specify the effective serial data rate value in this field.</li> </ul>	“CMU PLL Reconfiguration Mode Details” section in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the PLL bandwidth mode?	The available options are <b>Auto</b> , <b>Low</b> , <b>Medium</b> , and <b>High</b> . Select the appropriate option based on your system requirements.	“PLL Bandwidth Setting” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create powerdown port to power down the PLL.	Each transceiver block has two CMU PLLs. Each CMU/ATX PLL has a dedicated power down signal called <code>pll_powerdown</code> . This signal powers down the CMU PLL.	“User Reset and Power-Down Signals” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create locked port to indicate that the PLL is in lock with the reference clock.	Each CMU/ATX PLL has a dedicated <code>pll_locked</code> signal that is fed to the FPGA fabric to indicate when the PLL is locked to the input reference clock.	“User Reset and Power-Down Signals” section in the <i>Reset Control and Power Down in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Use Auxiliary Transmitter (ATX) PLL (available only if central clock divider is used)	<p>This option is only available for certain data rates. Refer to the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter for the supported data rates.</p> <p>This option enables the auxiliary transmitter PLL. This is a low-jitter PLL that resides between the transceiver blocks and can be used as a transmitter PLL.</p>	“Auxiliary Transmit (ATX) PLL Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter and the <i>DC and Switching Characteristics for Stratix IV Devices</i> section.

## Clocking/Interface Screen for the Reconfiguration Settings

Figure 1-11 shows the **Clocking/Interface** screen of the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Reconfiguration settings.

Figure 1-11. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Clocking/Interface Screen)

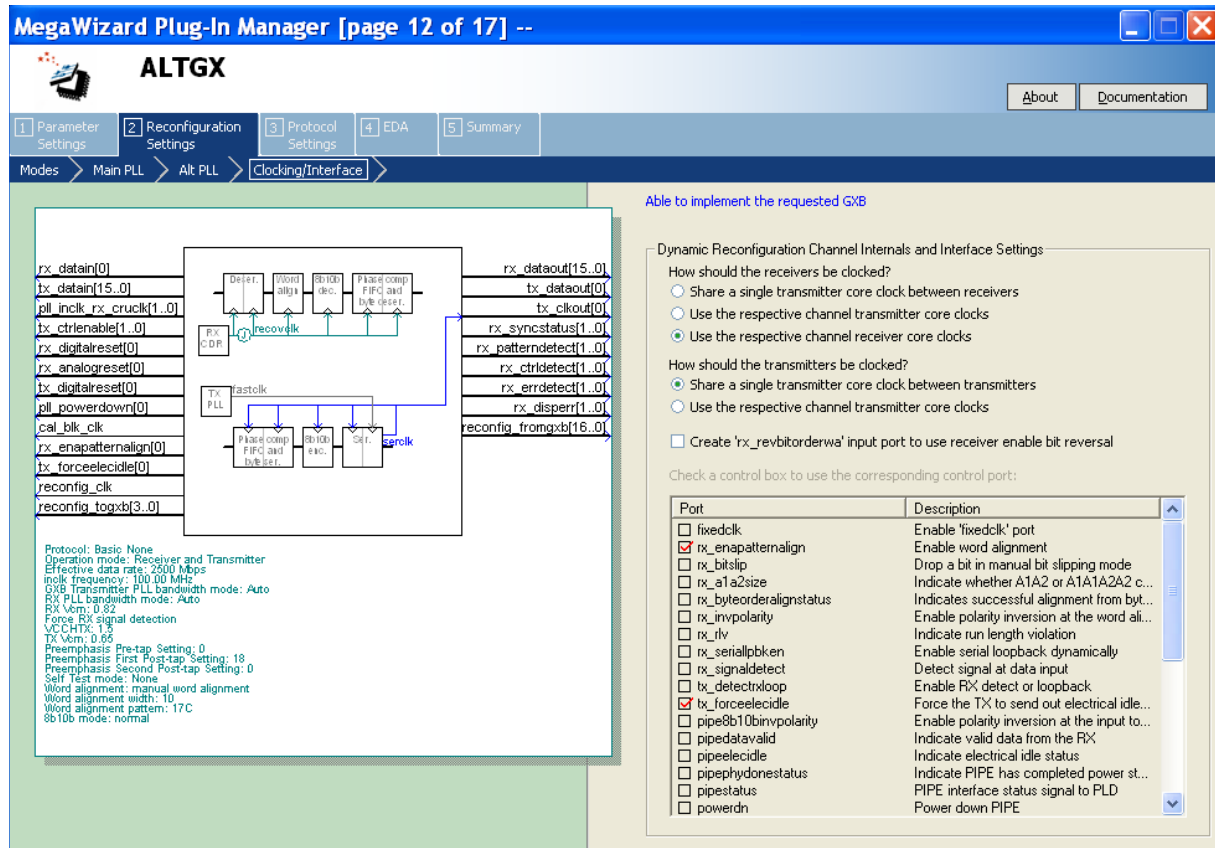


Table 1-9 lists the available options on the **Clocking/Interface** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

This screen is not available for Basic (PMA Direct) x1 and xN configurations.

Table 1-9. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Clocking/Interface Screen) (Part 1 of 2)


ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
<b>Dynamic Reconfiguration Channel Internal and Interface Settings</b>		
How should the receivers be clocked?	Select one of the following available options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Share a single transmitter core clock between receivers</b></li> <li>■ <b>Use the respective channel transmitter core clocks</b></li> <li>■ <b>Use the respective channel receiver core clocks</b></li> </ul>	“Clocking/Interface Options” section in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1–9. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Clocking/Interface Screen) (Part 2 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
How should the transmitters be clocked?	Select one of the following available options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Share a single transmitter core clock between transmitters</b></li> <li>■ <b>Use the respective channel transmitter core clocks</b></li> </ul>	“Clocking/Interface Options” section in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an 'rx_revbitorderwa' input port to use receiver enable bit reversal	This optional input port allows you to dynamically reverse the bit order at the output of the receiver word aligner.	“Word Aligner” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Check a control box to use the corresponding control port.	You can select various control and status signals depending on what protocol(s) you intend to dynamically reconfigure the transceiver channel to.	“FPGA Fabric-Transceiver Channel Interface Selection” section in the <i>Dynamic Reconfiguration in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## Protocol Settings

This section describes the various screens available to set up the PCS blocks of the Stratix IV transceiver.

 Protocol Settings are not available for Basic (PMA Direct) functional mode.

Based on the protocol you select in the **General** screen of Parameter Settings, the screens listed in [Table 1–10](#) become available.

**Table 1–10. Protocol Settings**

Protocols	Protocol Settings Screens		
	8B/10B	Word Aligner	Rate match/Byte order
Basic	Y (Basic/8B10B)	Y	Y
Deterministic Latency	Y (Det. Latency/8B10B)	Y	—
SDI	Y (SDI/8B10B)	Y	—
Serial RapidIO	Y (Serial RapidIO/8B10B)	Y	Y

The following sections describe these screens and the available settings for each of them.

## 8B10B Screen for the Protocol Settings

Figure 1-12 shows the 8B10B screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Protocol Settings.

Figure 1-12. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (8B10B Screen)

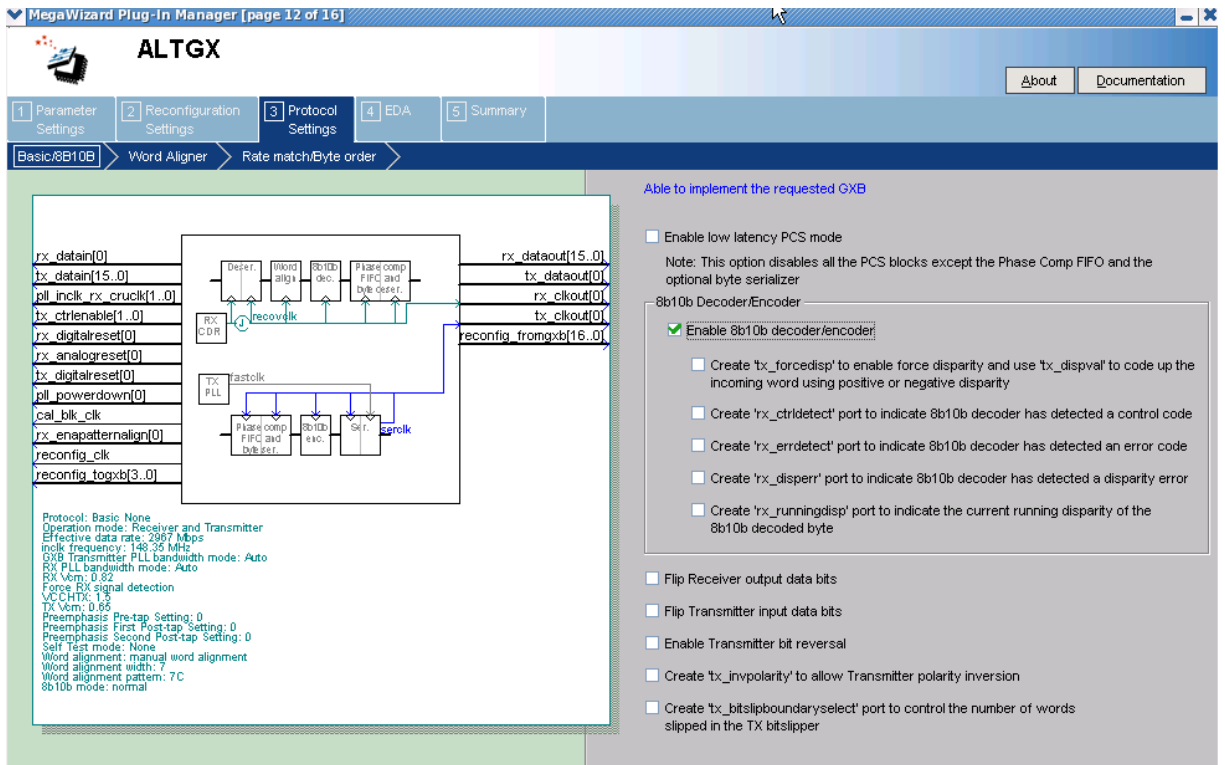


Table 1-11 lists the available options on the 8B10B screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

Table 1-11. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (8B10B Screen) (Part 1 of 3)

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable low latency PCS mode.	This option disables all the PCS blocks except the Transmitter/Receiver Phase Comp FIFO and optional byte serializer/de-serializer.	“Low Latency PCS Datapath” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable 8B/10B decoder/encoder.	This option is available if the channel width is 8-bits, 16-bits, or 32-bits.	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a tx_forcedisp to enable Force disparity and use tx_dispvall to code up the incoming word using positive or negative disparity.	8B/10B encoder force disparity control: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When asserted high—forces the 8B/10B encoder to encode the data on the tx_datain port with a positive or negative disparity depending on the tx_dispvall signal level.</li> <li>When de-asserted low—the 8B/10B encoder encodes the data on the tx_datain port according to the 8B/10B running disparity rules.</li> </ul>	“8B/10B Encoder” and “Transceiver Port Lists” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1–11. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (8B10B Screen) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create an <code>rx_ctrlldetect</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected a control code.	<p>This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric. This signal indicates whether the decoded 8-bit code group is a data or control code group on this port.</p> <p>If the received 10-bit code group is one of the 12 control code groups (/Kx.y/) specified in the IEEE802.3 specification, this signal is driven high.</p> <p>If the received 10-bit code group is a data code group (/Dx.y/), this signal is driven low.</p> <p>The signal width is 1, 2, and 4 bits for a channel width of 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits, respectively.</p>	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_errdetect</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected an error code.	<p>This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric and indicates an 8B/10B code group violation.</p> <p>This signal is asserted high if the received 10-bit code group has a code violation or disparity error. It is used along with the <code>rx_disperr</code> signal to differentiate between a code violation error and/or a disparity error.</p> <p>The signal width is 1, 2 and 4 bits for a channel width of 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits, respectively.</p>	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_disperr</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected a disparity error.	<p>This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric.</p> <p>This signal is asserted high if the received 10-bit code or data group has a disparity error. When this signal goes high, <code>rx_errdetect</code> is also asserted high.</p> <p>The signal width is 1, 2, and 4 bits for a channel width of 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits, respectively.</p>	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_runningdisp</code> port to indicate the current running disparity of the 8B10B decoded byte.	<p>This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate the current running disparity of the 8B/10B decoded byte.</p>	“8B/10B Decoder” section of Table 1-77 in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Flip receiver output data bits.	<p>This option reverses the bit order of the parallel receiver data at a byte level at the output of the receiver phase compensation FIFO. For example, if the 16-bit parallel receiver data at the output of the receiver phase compensation FIFO is '10111100 10101101' (16'hBCAD), enabling this option reverses the data on <code>rx_dataout</code> port to '00111101 10110101' (16'h3DB5).</p>	—
Flip transmitter input data bits.	<p>This option reverses the bit order of the parallel transmitter data at a byte level at the input of the transmitter phase compensation FIFO. For example, if the 16-bit parallel transmitter data at the <code>tx_datain</code> port is '10111100 10101101' (16'hBCAD), enabling this option reverses the input data to the transmitter phase compensation FIFO to '00111101 10110101' (16'h3DB5).</p>	—

**Table 1–11. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (8B10B Screen) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable transmitter bit reversal.	Enabling this option in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Single-width mode—the 8-bit D[7:0] or 10-bit D[9:0] data at the input of the serializer gets rewired to D[0:7] or D[0:9], respectively.</li> <li>■ Double-width mode—the 16-bit D[15:0] or 20-bit D[19:0] data at the input of the serializer gets rewired to D[0:15] or D[0:19], respectively.</li> </ul> For example, if the 8-bit parallel data at the input of the serializer is '00111101', enabling this option reverses this serializer input data to '10111100.'	“Transmitter Bit Reversal” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a tx_invpolarity port to allow Transmitter polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the data word fed to the serializer in the transmitter data path. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential output from the transmitter (tx_dataout) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Transmitter Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create tx_bitslipboundaryselect port to control the number of words slipped in the TX bitslipper.	You can only select this option when you use the <b>Transmitter only</b> or <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation mode. This option enables the tx_bitslipboundaryselect input to control the number of bits slipped in the TX bitslipper.	—

## Word Aligner Screen for the Protocol Settings

Figure 1-13 shows the Word Aligner screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Protocol Settings.

Figure 1-13. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Word Aligner Screen)

The screenshot displays the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager interface for the ALTGX protocol settings. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Navigation:** A top bar with tabs for "Parameter Settings", "Reconfiguration Settings", "Protocol Settings", "EDA", and "Summary". Below this, a sub-bar shows "Basic/8B10B" and "Word Aligner" (selected), with "Rate match/Byte order" also visible.
- Block Diagram:** A central diagram showing the internal components of the Word Aligner, including "Defer.", "Word align", "Rate match FIFO", "8B10B dec.", "FIFO outp. FIFO.", "RX D.D.R.", "Recovclk", "TX PLL", "8B10B enc.", "Shift", and "Error".
- Input/Output Signals:** On the left, signals include rx\_datain[0], tx\_datain[7..0], pll\_inclk\_rx\_cruck[1..0], tx\_ctrlnable[0], rx\_analogreset[0], pll\_powerdown[0], cal\_blk\_clk, reconfig\_clk, reconfig\_togxb[3..0], and tx\_bitslipboundaryselect[4..0]. On the right, signals include rx\_dataout[7..0], tx\_dataout[0], rx\_clkout[0], tx\_clkout[0], rx\_ctrldetect[0], rx\_errdetect[0], rx\_dispers[0], reconfig\_fromgxb[16..0], and rx\_bitslipboundaryselectout[4..0].
- Protocol Parameters:** A text box at the bottom left lists parameters such as "Protocol: Basis None", "Operation mode: Receiver and Transmitter", "Effective data rate: 1200 Mbps", "Inclk frequency: 120.00 MHz", "GXB Transmitter PLL bandwidth mode: Auto", "RX PLL bandwidth mode: Auto", "RX Vcm: 0.82", "Force RX signal detection", "V.C.HTX: 13", "TX Vcm: 0.85", "Preemphasis Pre-tap Setting: 0", "Preemphasis First Post-tap Setting: 0", "Preemphasis Second Post-tap Setting: 0", "Self Test mode: None", "Word alignment: sync state machine", "Word alignment width: 10", "Word alignment pattern: 17 C", "8B10B mode: normal", "Rate match fifo mode: normal", "Rate match pattern1: 00150", and "Rate match pattern2: 2F17C".
- Word Aligner Configuration:** A panel on the right titled "Word Aligner" contains several options:
  - Use manual word alignment mode
    - When should the word aligner realign?
      - Realign continuously while 'rx\_enapatternalign' is high
      - Realign at the rising edge of 'rx\_enapatternalign'
  - Use manual bitslipping mode
  - Use the automatic synchronization state machine mode
    - Number of continuous valid code groups received to reduce the error count by 1: 1
    - Number of erroneous code groups (error count) received to lose: 1
    - Number of valid code groups received to achieve sync: 1
- What is the word alignment pattern length?: 10
- What is the word alignment pattern?: 0101111100 (K28.5-)
- Flip word alignment pattern bits
- Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of: 40
- Enable word aligner output reverse bit ordering
- Create 'rx\_syncstatus' output port for pattern detector and word aligner
- Create 'rx\_patterndetect' port to indicate pattern detected
- Create 'rx\_invpolarity' to enable word aligner polarity inversion
- Create 'rx\_revbyteorderwv' to enable receiver symbol swap
- Create 'rx\_bitslipboundaryselectout' port to indicate the number of bits slipped in the word aligner

Table 1–12 lists the available options on the **Word Aligner** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.



The word aligner and rate matcher operations and patterns are pre-configured for PCIe, GIGE, and XAUI modes, and cannot be altered.

**Table 1–12. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Word Aligner Screen) (Part 1 of 4)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Use manual word alignment mode.	Enabling this option sets the word aligner in Manual Alignment mode. In Manual Alignment mode, the word aligner operation is controlled by the input signal <code>rx_enapatternalign</code> .	“Manual Alignment Mode Word Aligner with 8-bit PMA-PCS Interface Modes” and “Manual Alignment Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Modes” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
When should the word aligner realign?	Two options are available in manual mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Realign continuously while the <code>rx_enapatternalign</code> signal is high.</li> <li>■ Realign at the rising edge of the <code>rx_enapatternalign</code> signal.</li> </ul>	“Manual Alignment Mode Word Aligner with 8-bit PMA-PCS Interface Modes” and “Manual Alignment Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Modes” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Use manual bitslipping mode.	This option sets the word aligner in Bit-Slip mode. Enabling this option creates an input signal <code>rx_bitslip</code> to control the word aligner. At every rising edge of the <code>rx_bitslip</code> signal, the bit slip circuitry slips one bit into the received data stream, effectively shifting the word boundary by one bit. <b>SDI</b> Because word alignment and framing occur after de-scrambling, the word aligner in the receiver data path is not useful in SDI systems. Altera recommends driving the ALTGX <code>rx_bitslip</code> signal low to prevent the word aligner from inserting bits in the received data stream.	“Word Aligner” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Use the Automatic synchronization state machine mode.	This option sets the word aligner in Automatic Synchronization State Machine mode. This mode is available only in Single-width mode for 8B/10B encoded data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10-bit PCS-PMA Interface where the 8B/10B encoder is enabled</li> </ul> or <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10-bit PCS-PMA Interface where the 8B/10B is disabled but the data is already 8B/10B encoded</li> </ul>	“Automatic Synchronization State Machine Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-12. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Word Aligner Screen) (Part 2 of 4)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Number of continuous valid code groups received to reduce the error count by 1.	Use this option in Automatic Synchronization State Machine mode to indicate the number of continuous valid code groups that it must receive between erroneous code groups to reduce the error count by one. The <code>rx_syncstatus</code> stays high as long as the error count is less than the programmed error count.	“Automatic Synchronization State Machine Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Number of erroneous code groups (error count) received to lose synchronization.	Use this option in Automatic Synchronization State Machine mode to indicate the number of erroneous code groups (error count) that it must receive to lose synchronization. The loss-of-synch is indicated by the <code>rx_syncstatus</code> signal going low.	“Automatic Synchronization State Machine Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Number of valid code groups received to achieve synchronization.	Use this option in Automatic Synchronization State Machine mode to indicate the number of word alignment patterns that it must receive without intermediate erroneous code groups to achieve synchronization. The <code>rx_syncstatus</code> signal is driven high to indicate that synchronization has been achieved.	“Automatic Synchronization State Machine Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the word alignment pattern length?	<p>This option sets the word alignment pattern length. The available choices depend on the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Whether the data is 8B/10B encoded or not</li> <li>■ Which mode is used in Single-width mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ for 8-bit PCS-PMA Interface (8B/10B encoder disabled), only 16 bits are allowed.</li> <li>■ for 10-bit PCS-PMA, 7 and 10 bits are allowed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Which mode is used in Double-width mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ for 16-bit PCS-PMA Interface (8B/10B encoder disabled), 8, 16, and 32 bits are allowed.</li> <li>■ for 20-bit PCS-PMA Interface, 7, 10, and 20 bits are allowed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	“Word Aligner in Single-Width Mode” and “Word Aligner in Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the word alignment pattern?	<p>Enter the word alignment pattern in MSB to LSB order with MSB at the left most bit position. The length of the alignment pattern is based on the <b>What is the word alignment pattern length?</b> option. The word aligner restores the word boundary by looking for the pattern that you enter here. For example, if you want to set the word alignment pattern to /K28.5/:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ You must enter the word alignment pattern length: <b>10</b>.</li> <li>■ You must enter the word alignment pattern: <b>0101111100</b> (17C).</li> </ul>	“Word Aligner in Single-Width Mode” and “Word Aligner in Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-12. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Word Aligner Screen) (Part 3 of 4)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Flip word alignment pattern bits.	When this option is enabled, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager flips the bit order of the pattern that you enter in the <b>What is the word alignment pattern?</b> option and uses the flipped version as the word alignment pattern. For example, if you enter '0101111100' (17C) as the word alignment pattern and enable this option, the word aligner uses '0011111010' as the word alignment pattern.	—
Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of:	<p>This option creates the output signal <code>rx_rlv</code>. Enabling this option also activates the run-length violation circuit. If the number of continuous 1s and 0s exceeds the number that you set in this option, the run-length violation circuit asserts the <code>rx_rlv</code> signal. The <code>rx_rlv</code> signal is asynchronous to the receiver data path and is asserted for a minimum of two recovered clock cycles in Single-width mode. Similarly, it is asserted for a minimum of three recovered clock cycles in Double-width mode.</p> <p>The run length limits are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Single-width mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 8-bit and 16-bit channel width: 4 to 128 in increments of four</li> <li>■ 10-bit and 20-bit channel width: 5 to 160 in increments of five</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Double-width mode: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 16-bit and 32-bit channel width: 8 to 512 in increments of eight</li> <li>■ 20-bit and 40-bit channel width: 10 to 640 in increments of 10</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	“Programmable Run Length Violation Detection” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable word aligner output reverse bit ordering.	In manual bit-slip mode, this option creates an input port <code>rx_revbitorderwa</code> to dynamically reverse the bit order at the output of the receiver word aligner.	“Receiver Bit Reversal” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_syncstatus</code> output port for pattern detector and word aligner.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that synchronization has been achieved. This signal is synchronous with the parallel receiver data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port. This signal is not available in bit-slip mode. Signal width is 1, 2, and 4 bits for a channel width of 8-bits/10-bits, 16-bits/20-bits, and 32-bits/40-bits, respectively.	Table 1-77, “Word Aligner in Single-Width Mode” and “Word Aligner in Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_patterndetect</code> port to indicate pattern detected.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that the word alignment pattern programmed has been detected in the current word boundary. Signal width is 1, 2, and 4 bits for a channel width of 8-bits/10-bits, 16-bits/20-bits, and 32-bits/40-bits, respectively.	Table 1-77 and “Word Aligner in Single-Width Mode” and “Word Aligner in Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-12. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Word Aligner Screen) (Part 4 of 4)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create an <code>rx_invpolarity</code> port to enable word aligner polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the received data at the input of the word aligner. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential input to the receiver ( <code>rx_datain</code> ) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Receiver Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_revbyteorderwa</code> to enable Receiver symbol swap.	This is an optional input port that is available only in the double-width mode. It creates an <code>rx_revbyteorderwa</code> port to dynamically swap the MSByte and LSByte of the data at the output of the word aligner in the receiver data path. Enabling this option compensates for the erroneous swapping of bytes at the upstream transmitter and corrects the data received by the downstream systems.  For example, if the 16-bit output of the word aligner is 0BOA, asserting the <code>rx_revbyteorderwa</code> signal swaps the two bytes so the output becomes 0A0B.	“Receiver Byte Reversal in Basic Double-Width Modes” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create <code>rx_bitslipboundaryselectout</code> port to indicate the number of bits slipped in the word aligner.	This option is available for selection only when you are in <b>Receiver only</b> or <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> operation mode. This option enables the <code>rx_bitslipboundaryselectout</code> output to indicate the number of bits slipped in the word aligner.	—

## Rate Match/Byte Order Screen for the Protocol Settings

Figure 1-14 shows the Rate Match/Byte Order screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for the Protocol Settings.

Figure 1-14. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Rate Match/Byte Order Screen)

The screenshot displays the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager interface for the ALTGX transceiver. The 'Rate match/Byte order' tab is active. On the left, a block diagram shows the internal components: Defer, Word align, Rate match FIFO, SBTB deo, and P/line comp. FIFO. Below the diagram, a list of protocol parameters is provided:

- Protocol: Basic None
- Operation mode: Receiver and Transmitter
- Effective data rate: 1250 Mbps
- Inclk frequency: 125.00 MHz
- GXB Transmitter PLL bandwidth mode: Auto
- Rx PLL bandwidth mode: Auto
- Rx Vcm: 0.82
- Force Rx signal detection
- VcCHTx: 1.5
- Tx Vcm: 0.66
- Preemphasis Pre-tap Setting: 0
- Preemphasis First Post-tap Setting: 0
- Preemphasis Second Post-tap Setting: 0
- Self Test mode: None
- Word alignment: sync state machine
- Word alignment width: 7C
- Word alignment pattern: 7C
- Sb10b mode: normal
- Rate match fifo mode: normal
- Rate match pattern1: D0E53
- Rate match pattern2: 2F17C

On the right, the 'Rate Match FIFO' section is checked for 'Enable rate match FIFO'. It includes fields for 20-bit rate match patterns: 'Skip pattern' (1101000011) and 'Control pattern' (1010000011). The 'Byte Ordering Block' section has 'Enable byte ordering block' unchecked, and 'The sync status signal from the word aligner' selected as the basis for byte ordering.

Table 1-13 lists the available options on the **Rate Match/Byte Order** screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-13. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Rate Match/Byte Order Screen) (Part 1 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable rate match FIFO.	<p>This option enables the rate match (clock rate compensation) FIFO. The rate match block consists of a 20-word deep FIFO. Depending on the PPM difference, the rate match FIFO controls insertion and deletion of skip characters based on the 20-bit rate match pattern you enter in the <b>What is the 20-bit rate match pattern1?</b> and <b>What is the 20-bit rate match pattern2?</b> options.</p> <p>To enable this block:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The transceiver channel must have both the transmitter and the receiver channels instantiated. You must select the <b>Receiver and Transmitter</b> option in the <b>What is the operation mode?</b> field in the <b>General</b> screen.</li> <li>■ You must also enable the 8B/10B encoder/decoder in the <b>8B10B</b> screen.</li> </ul> <p>The rate match block is capable of compensating up to <math>\pm 300</math> PPM difference between the upstream transmitter clock and the local receiver's input reference clock.</p>	<p>"Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode" and "Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode" sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
What is the 20-bit rate match pattern1? (usually used for +ve disparity pattern)	<p>Enter a 10-bit skip pattern and a 10-bit control pattern. In the <b>skip pattern</b> field, you must choose a 10-bit code group that has neutral disparity. When the rate matcher receives the 10-bit control pattern followed by the 10-bit skip pattern, it inserts or deletes the 10-bit skip pattern as necessary to avoid rate match FIFO overflow or underflow conditions.</p> <p>(1)</p>	<p>"Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode" and "Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode" sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
What is the 20-bit rate match pattern2? (usually used for -ve disparity pattern)	<p>Enter a 10-bit skip pattern and a 10-bit control pattern. In the <b>skip pattern</b> field, you must choose a 10-bit code group that has neutral disparity. When the rate matcher receives the 10-bit control pattern followed by the 10-bit skip pattern, it inserts or deletes the 10-bit skip pattern as necessary to avoid rate match FIFO overflow or underflow conditions.</p> <p>(1)</p>	<p>"Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode" and "Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode" sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
Create the <code>rx_rmfifo_full</code> port to indicate when the rate match FIFO is full.	<p>This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfifo_full</code> when you enable the <b>Enable Rate Match FIFO</b> option. It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. It indicates when the rate match FIFO block is full (20 words). This signal remains high as long as the FIFO is full. It is asynchronous to the receiver data path.</p>	<p>"Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode" and "Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode" sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>

**Table 1-13. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Rate Match/Byte Order Screen) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create the <code>rx_rmfifoempty</code> port to indicate when the rate match FIFO is empty.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfifoempty</code> when you enable the <b>Enable Rate Match FIFO</b> option. It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. It indicates when the rate match FIFO block is empty (5 words full). This signal remains high as long as the FIFO is empty. It is asynchronous to the receiver data path.	“Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode” and “Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create the <code>rx_rmfifoinserted</code> port to indicate when data is inserted in the rate match FIFO.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfifoinserted</code> flag when you enable the <b>Enable Rate Match FIFO</b> option. It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. This indicates the insertion of skip patterns. For every deletion, this signal is high for one parallel clock cycle.	“Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode” and “Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create the <code>rx_rmfiodeleted</code> port to indicate when data is deleted in the rate match FIFO.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfiodeleted</code> flag when you enable the <b>Enable Rate Match FIFO</b> option. It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. This indicates the deletion of skip patterns. For every insertion, this signal is high for one parallel clock cycle.	“Rate Match FIFO in Basic Single-Width Mode” and “Rate Match FIFO in Basic Double-Width Mode” sections in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable insertion or deletion of consecutive characters or ordered sets	This option enables the back-to-back insertion or deletion of skip characters in the rate match FIFO. This option is available for selection in Single-width mode. It is enabled by default in Double-width mode.	—
Enable byte ordering block.	This option enables the byte ordering block. It is available in both Single-width and Double-width modes. It is available only when the channel width is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 16-bits/20-bits in Single-width mode</li> <li>■ 32-bits/40-bits in Double-width mode</li> </ul> As soon as the byte ordering block sees the rising edge of the appropriate signal, it compares the LSByte coming out of the byte deserializer with the byte ordering pattern. If they do not match, the byte ordering block inserts the pad character that you enter in the <b>What is the byte ordering pad pattern?</b> option such that the byte ordering pattern is seen in the LSByte position. Inserting this pad character enables the byte ordering block to restore the correct byte order.	“Byte Ordering Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What do you want the byte ordering to be based on?	This option is available only when the byte ordering block is enabled. This option allows you to trigger the byte ordering block on the rising edge of either the <code>rx_syncstatus</code> signal or the user-controlled <code>rx_enabyteord</code> signal from the FPGA fabric.	“Byte Ordering Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the byte ordering pattern?	This option is available only when the byte ordering block is enabled. Enter the 10-bit pattern that the byte ordering block must place in the LSByte position of the receiver parallel data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port.	“Byte Ordering Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-13. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Rate Match/Byte Order Screen) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the byte ordering pad pattern?	When the byte ordering block does not find the byte ordering pattern in the LSByte position of the data coming out of the byte deserialzier, it inserts this byte ordering pad pattern such that the byte ordering pattern is seen in the LSByte position of the receiver parallel data on the rx_dataout port. Inserting this pad character enables the byte ordering block to restore the correct byte order.	“Byte Ordering Block” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Note to Table 1-13:**

- (1) If you want the rate matcher to insert or delete both the positive and negative disparities of the 20-bit rate matching pattern, enter the positive disparity as pattern1 and negative disparity as pattern2.

## Protocol Settings Screen for GIGE and XAUI

Figure 1-15 shows the Protocol Settings screen for the GIGE and XAUI modes of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager.

**Figure 1-15. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Protocol Settings Screen—GIGE and XAUI)**

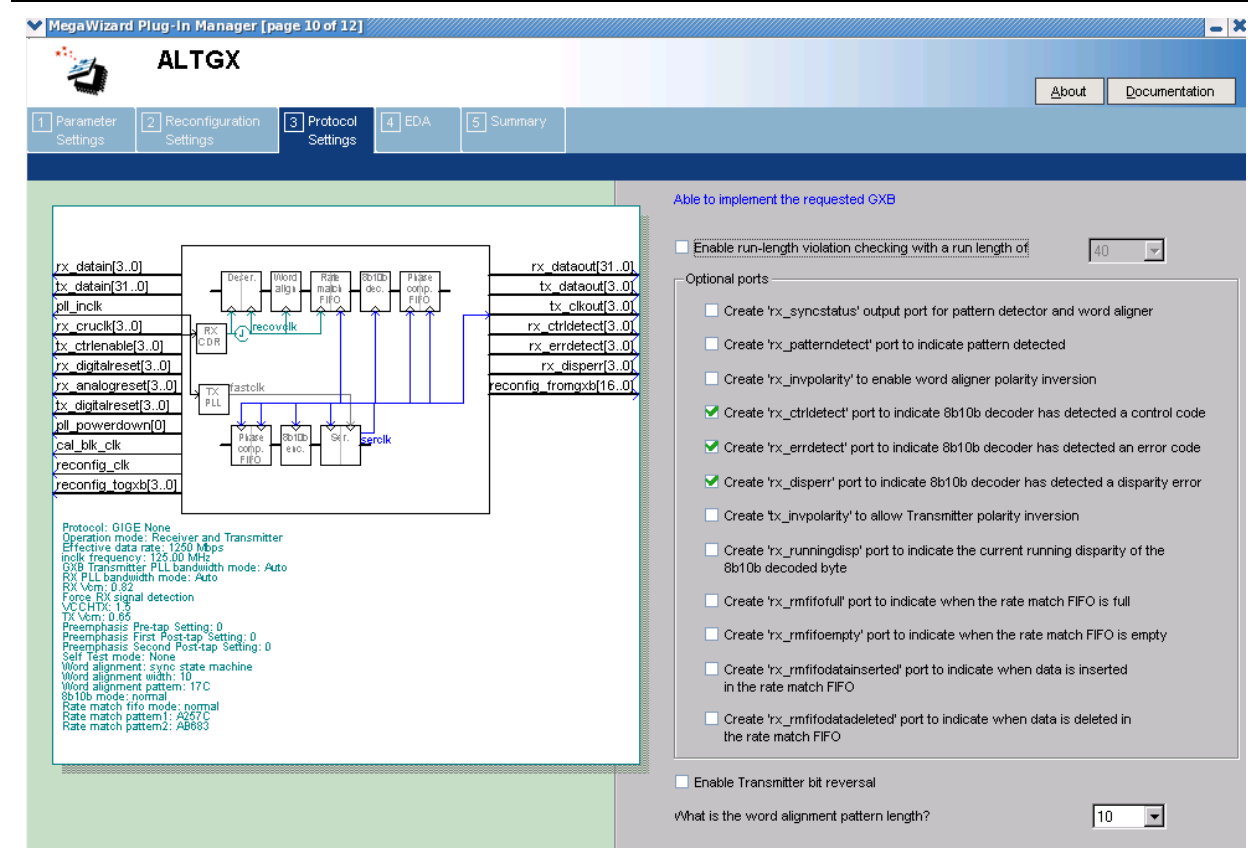


Table 1-14 lists the available options for the GIGE and XAUI modes in the Protocol Settings screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-14. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Protocol Settings —GIGE and XAUI) (Part 1 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of __.	This option creates the output signal <code>rx_rlv</code> . Enabling this option also activates the run-length violation circuit. If the number of continuous 1s and 0s exceeds the number that you set in this option, the run-length violation circuit asserts the <code>rx_rlv</code> signal. The <code>rx_rlv</code> signal is asynchronous to the receiver data path and is asserted for a minimum of two recovered clock cycles.  The run length limits are five to 160 in increments of five.	“Programmable Run Length Violation Detection” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_syncstatus</code> output port for pattern detector and word aligner.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that synchronization has been achieved. This signal is synchronous with the parallel receiver data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port. Receiver synchronization is indicated on the <code>rx_syncstatus</code> port of each channel.	Table 1-33 and the “Word Aligner” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_patterndetect</code> port to indicate pattern detected.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that the word alignment pattern programmed has been detected in the current word boundary.	Table 1-33 and the “Word Aligner” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_invpolarity</code> port to enable word aligner polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the received data at the input of the word aligner. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential input to the receiver ( <code>rx_datain</code> ) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Receiver Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_ctrldetect</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected a control code.	This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric. This signal indicates whether the decoded 8-bit code group is a data or control code group on this port. If the received 10-bit code group is one of the 12 control code groups (/Kx.y/) specified in IEEE802.3 specification, this signal is driven high. If the received 10-bit code group is a data code group (/Dx.y/), this signal is driven low.	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_errdetect</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected an error code.	This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric. This signal indicates an 8B/10B code group violation. It is asserted high if the received 10-bit code group has a code violation or disparity error. It is used along with the <code>rx_disperr</code> signal to differentiate between a code violation error and/or a disparity error.	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-14. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Protocol Settings —GIGE and XAUI) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create an <code>rx_disperr</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected a disparity error.	This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric. This signal is asserted high if the received 10-bit code or data group has a disparity error. When this signal goes high, <code>rx_errdetect</code> also is asserted high.	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_invpolarity</code> port to allow Transmitter polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the data word fed to the serializer in the transmitter data path. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential output from the transmitter ( <code>tx_dataout</code> ) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Transmitter Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_runningdisp</code> port to indicate the current running disparity of the 8B/10B decoded byte.	This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric. This signal is asserted high when the current running disparity of the 8B/10B decoded byte is negative. This signal is low when the current running disparity of the 8B/10B decoded byte is positive.	—
Create an <code>rx_rmfifo</code> port to indicate when the rate match FIFO is full.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfifo</code> . It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. This indicates when the rate match FIFO block is full (20 words). This signal remains high as long as the FIFO is full and is asynchronous to the receiver data path.	“Rate Match (Clock Rate Compensation) FIFO” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_rmfiempty</code> port to indicate when the rate match FIFO is empty.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfiempty</code> . It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. This indicates when the rate match FIFO block is empty (five words). This signal remains high as long as the FIFO is empty and is asynchronous to the receiver data path.	“Rate Match (Clock Rate Compensation) FIFO” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_rmfiinserted</code> port to indicate when data is inserted in the rate match FIFO.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfiinserted</code> flag. It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. The <code>rx_rmfiinserted</code> flag is asserted when a rate match pattern byte is inserted to compensate for the PPM difference in reference clock frequencies between the upstream transmitter and the local receiver.	“Rate Match (Clock Rate Compensation) FIFO” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_rmfideleted</code> port to indicate when data is deleted in the rate match FIFO.	This option creates the output port <code>rx_rmfideleted</code> . It is a status flag that the rate match block forwards to the FPGA fabric. The <code>rx_rmfideleted</code> flag is asserted when a rate match pattern byte is deleted to compensate for the PPM difference in reference clock frequencies between the upstream transmitter and the local receiver.	“Rate Match (Clock Rate Compensation) FIFO” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-14. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Protocol Settings —GIGE and XAUI) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable transmitter bit reversal.	Enabling this option reverses every bit of the 10-bit parallel data at the input of the serializer. The 10-bit input to the serializer $D[9:0]$ is reversed to $D[0:9]$ .	“8B/10B Encoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the word alignment pattern length?	This option sets the word alignment pattern length. The available choices are <b>7</b> and <b>10</b> for the GIGE and XAUI modes. The default setting for this option is <b>10</b> .	“Rate Match (Clock Rate Compensation) FIFO” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## Protocol Settings Screen for the (OIF) CEI Phy Interface

Table 1-15 lists the available options for the (OIF) CEI Phy Interface mode in the Protocol Settings screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-15. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (Protocol Settings - [OIF] CEI PHY Interface)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of ___.	This option creates the output signal <code>rx_rlv</code> . Enabling this option also activates the run-length violation circuit. If the number of continuous 1s and 0s exceeds the number that you set in this option, the run-length violation circuit asserts the <code>rx_rlv</code> signal. The <code>rx_rlv</code> signal is asynchronous to the receiver data path and is asserted for a minimum of two recovered clock cycles.  For a 32-bit channel width, the run length limits are 8 to 512 in increments of eight.	“Programmable Run Length Violation Detection” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## Protocol Settings Screen for PCIe

Figure 1-16 shows the PCIe 1 screen for Protocol Settings of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager.

Figure 1-16. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (PCIe 1 Screen)

The screenshot displays the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager interface for the ALTGX PCIe 1 Protocol Settings. The interface is divided into several sections:

- Navigation Bar:** Includes tabs for "1 Parameter Settings", "2 Reconfiguration Settings", "3 Protocol Settings" (selected), "4 EDA", and "5 Summary". Below these are sub-tabs for "PCI Express (PIPE) 1" and "PCI Express (PIPE) 2".
- Block Diagram:** A central diagram shows the internal components of the PCIe 1 block, including RX CDR, TX PLL, Word align, Rate match FIFO, 8b10b dec, and Pipe comp FIFO. It also shows external signals like rx\_datain, tx\_dataout, rx\_syncstatus, rx\_patterndetect, rx\_ctrldetect, rx\_errdetect, rx\_disperr, rx\_rlv, pipestatus, pipecleidle, pipephydonestatus, and reconfig signals.
- Optional Settings:** A section titled "Able to implement the requested GXB" contains several checkboxes:
  - Enable low latency synchronous PCI Express (PIPE) (Note: Ensure that there is a 0ppm difference between the upstream transmitter's and the local receiver's reference clocks)
  - Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of
  - Enable fast recovery mode
  - Enable electrical idle inference functionality
- Optional ports:** A section with several checked options:
  - Create 'rx\_syncstatus' output port for pattern detector and word aligner
  - Create 'rx\_patterndetect' port to indicate pattern detected
  - Create 'rx\_ctrldetect' port to indicate 8b10b decoder has detected a control code
  - Create 'tx\_detectrxloop' input port as receiver detect or loopback enable depending on the power state
  - Create 'tx\_forcecleidle' input port to force the transmitter to send electrical idle signals
  - Create 'tx\_forcedispcpliance' input port to force negative running disparity
  - Create 'tx\_invpolarity' to allow Transmitter polarity inversion
- Protocol Parameters:** A list of parameters for "Protocol: PCI Express (PIPE) Gen 1-x1":
  - Operation mode: Receiver and Transmitter
  - Effective data rate: 2500 Mbps
  - inclk frequency: 100.00 MHz
  - USB Transmitter PLL bandwidth mode: Auto
  - RX PLL bandwidth mode: Auto
  - RX Vcm: 0.82
  - Force RX signal detection
  - VCCHTX: 18
  - TX Vcm: 0.85
  - Preemphasis Pre-tap Setting: 0
  - Preemphasis First Post-tap Setting: 18
  - Preemphasis Second Post-tap Setting: 0
  - Self Test mode: None
  - Word alignment: sync state machine
  - Word alignment width: 10
  - Word alignment pattern: 17C
  - Run-length: 40
  - 8b10b mode: normal
  - Rate match fifo mode: normal
  - Rate match pattern1: 00F59
  - Rate match pattern2: 2F17C

Table 1-16 lists the available options on the PCIe 1 screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

**Table 1-16. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PCIe 1) (Part 1 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Enable low latency synchronous PCIe.	This option puts the rate match FIFO into low latency mode, which forces the system into a 0 ppm mode. Ensure that there is a 0 ppm difference between the upstream transmitter's and the local receiver's input reference clocks.	"Rate Match (Clock Rate Compensation) FIFO" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of ___.	This option creates the output signal <code>rx_rlv</code> . Enabling this option also activates the run-length violation circuit. If the number of continuous 1s and 0s exceeds the number that you set in this option, the run-length violation circuit asserts the <code>rx_rlv</code> signal. The <code>rx_rlv</code> signal is asynchronous to the receiver data path.  For both 8-bit and 16-bit channel widths, the run length limits are 5 to 160 in increments of five.	"Programmable Run Length Violation Detection" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable fast recovery mode.	This option enables the CDR control block. When this block is enabled, the <code>rx_locktodata</code> and <code>rx_locktorefclk</code> signals are disabled.	"Fast Recovery Mode" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable electrical idle inference functionality.	Enable the electrical idle inference module by selecting this option. In PCIe mode, the PCS has an optional electrical idle inference module designed to implement the electrical idle inference conditions specified in PCIe base specification 2.0.  Enabling this option creates the <code>rx_elecidleinfersel[2:0]</code> input signal. The electrical idle Inference module infers electrical idle depending on the logic level driven on the <code>rx_elecidleinfersel[2:0]</code> input signal. For the electrical idle Inference module to correctly infer an electrical idle condition in each LTSSM sub-state, you must drive the <code>rx_elecidleinfersel[2:0]</code> signal appropriately.	"Electrical Idle Inference" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_syncstatus</code> output port for pattern detector and word aligner.	The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager automatically configures the word aligner in Automatic Synchronization State Machine mode for PCIe mode. This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that synchronization has been achieved. This signal is synchronous with the parallel receiver data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port. The signal width is 1 and 2 bits for a channel width of 8 bits and 16 bits, respectively.	Table 1-29 and "Automatic Synchronization State Machine Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Mode" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-16. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PCIe 1) (Part 2 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create an <code>rx_patterndetect</code> output port to indicate pattern detected.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that the word alignment pattern programmed has been detected in the current word boundary. The signal width is 1 and 2 bits for a channel width of 8 bits and 16 bits, respectively.	“Automatic Synchronization State Machine Mode Word Aligner with 10-bit PMA-PCS Interface Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_ctrldetect</code> port to indicate 8B/10B decoder has detected a control code.	This is an output status signal that the 8B/10B decoder forwards to the FPGA fabric. This signal indicates whether the decoded 8-bit code group is a data or control code group on this port.  If the received 10-bit code group is one of the 12 control code groups ( <i>/Kx.y/</i> ) specified in the IEEE802.3 specification, this signal is driven high. If the received 10-bit code group is a data code group ( <i>/Dx.y/</i> ), this signal is driven low. The signal width is 1 and 2 bits for a channel width of 8 bits and 16 bits, respectively.	“8B/10B Decoder” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_detectrxloop</code> input port as Receiver detect or loopback enable, depending on the power state.	Depending on the power-down mode, asserting this signal enables either the receiver detect operation or Loopback mode. (1)	“Receiver Detection” and “PCIe Reverse Parallel Loopback” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_forceelecidle</code> input port to force the Transmitter to send Electrical Idle signals.	Enabling this port sets the transmitter buffer in electrical idle mode. This port is available in all PCIe power-down modes and has a specific use in each mode. (1)	“Transmitter Buffer Electrical Idle” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_forcedispcompliance</code> input port to force negative running disparity.	A high level on this port forces the associated parallel transmitter data on the <code>tx_datain</code> port to be transmitted with negative current running disparity.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ For 8-bit transceiver channel width configurations, you must drive <code>tx_forcedispcompliance[1:0]</code> high in the same parallel clock cycle as the first <i>/K28.5/</i> of the compliance pattern on the <code>tx_datain</code> port.</li> <li>■ For 16-bit transceiver channel width configurations, you must drive only the LSB of <code>tx_forcedispcompliance[1:0]</code> high in the same parallel clock cycle as <i>/K28.5/D21.5/</i> of the compliance pattern on the <code>tx_datain</code> port.</li> </ul>	“Compliance Pattern Transmission Support” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_invpolarity</code> port to allow Transmitter polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the data word fed to the serializer in the transmitter data path. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential output from the transmitter ( <code>tx_dataout</code> ) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Transmitter Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Note to Table 1-16:**

(1) Refer to the table 'Power States and Functions Allowed in Each Power State' in the *PIPE Interface* section in the *Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices* chapter.

Figure 1-17 shows the PCIe 2 screen of Protocol Settings for the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager.

Figure 1-17. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (PCIe 2 Screen)

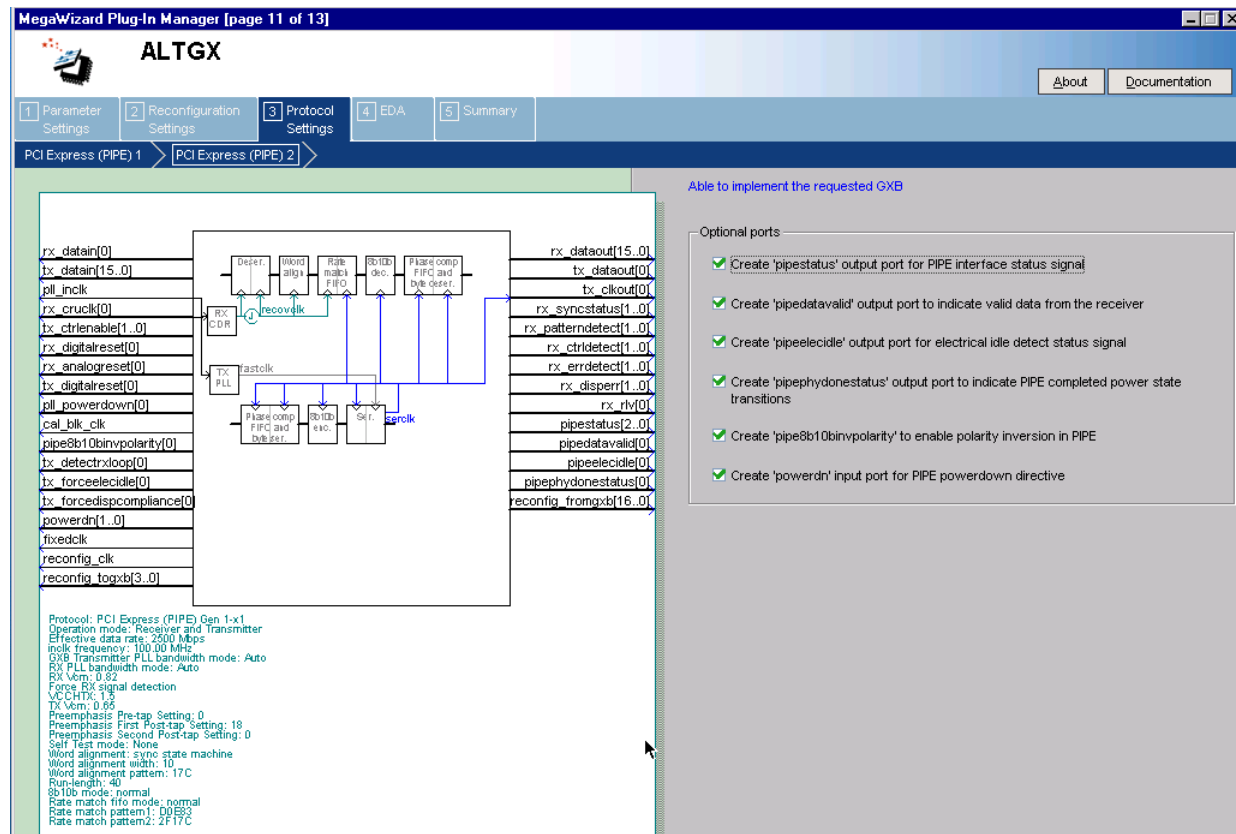


Table 1-17 lists the available options on the PCIe 2 screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

Table 1-17. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PCIe 2 Screen) (Part 1 of 2)

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create a <code>pipestatus</code> output port for PIPE interface status signal.	The PCIe interface block receives status signals from the transceiver channel PCS and PMA blocks and encodes the status on a 3-bit output signal ( <code>pipestatus[2:0]</code> ) that is forwarded to the FPGA fabric.	“Receiver Status” section and Table 1-53 in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>pipedatavalid</code> output port to indicate valid data from the receiver.	This is an output status port that indicates the receiver parallel data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port is valid.	—

**Table 1-17. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (PCIe 2 Screen) (Part 2 of 2)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
<p>Create a <code>pipeelecidle</code> output port for Electrical Idle detect status signal.</p>	<p>Enabling this option creates the <code>pipeelecidle</code> output status port that is forwarded to the FPGA fabric.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If you select <b>Enable Electrical Idle Inference Module</b>, the <code>pipeelecidle</code> signal is driven high when the electrical idle inference module infers an electrical idle condition depending on the logic driven on the <code>rx_elecidleinferse1[2:0]</code> port. Otherwise, it is driven low.</li> <li>■ If you do not select <b>Enable Electrical Idle Inference Module</b>, the <code>rx_signaldetect</code> output signal from the signal threshold detection circuitry is inverted and driven on the <code>pipeelecidle</code> port.</li> </ul> <p>The <code>pipeelecidle</code> signal is asynchronous to the receiver data path.</p>	<p>“Electrical Idle Inference” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
<p>Create a <code>pipephydonestatus</code> output port to indicate PIPE completed power state transitions.</p>	<p>This is an output status signal forwarded to the FPGA fabric. The completion of various PHY functions; for example, receiver detection, power state transition, clock switch, and rate switch, are indicated on this <code>pipephydonestatus</code> signal by driving this signal high for one parallel clock cycle.</p>	<p>“PCIe Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
<p>Create a <code>pipe8b10binvpolarity</code> port to enable polarity inversion in PIPE.</p>	<p>This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse every bit of the received data at the input of the 8B/10B decoder.</p>	<p>“PCIe Mode” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>
<p>Create a <code>powerdn</code> input port for PIPE powerdown directive.</p>	<p>Enabling this option creates an input control port <code>powerdn[1:0]</code> for each transceiver channel.</p>	<p>“Power State Management” section and Table 1-51 in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.</p>

## Protocol Settings Screen for SONET/SDH

Figure 1-18 shows the SONET/SDH screen for Protocol Settings of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager.

Figure 1-18. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Protocol Settings—SONET/SDH)

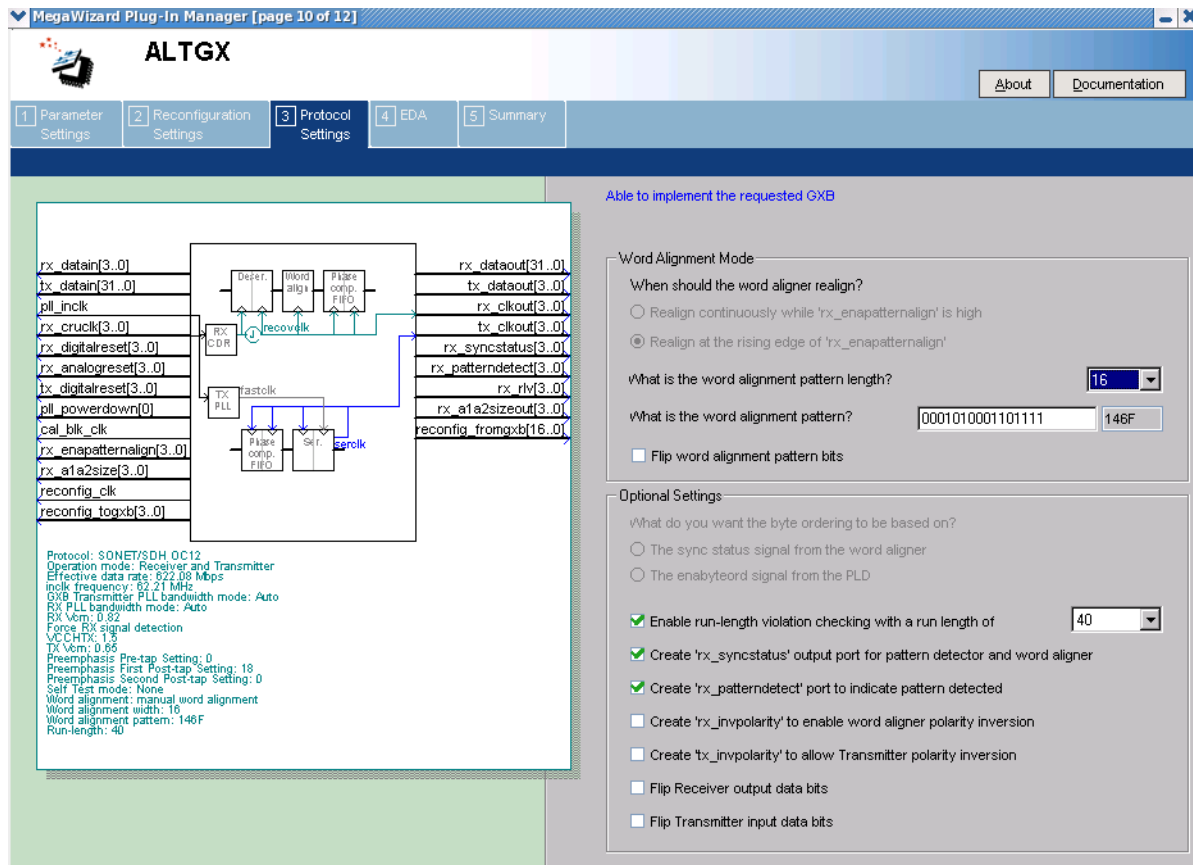


Table 1-18 lists the available options on the SONET/SDH screen for Protocol Settings of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager for your ALTGX custom megafunction variation.

Table 1-18. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (SONET/SDH Screen) (Part 1 of 3)

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
When should the word aligner realign?	This option is not available in SONET/SDH mode. In SONET/SDH mode, the word aligner operates in Manual Alignment mode. By default, the ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager sets the behavior of the word aligner such that re-alignment occurs when there is a rising edge of the rx_enaatternalign input signal in this mode.	“Word Aligner” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
What is the word alignment pattern length?	This option sets the length of the word alignment pattern. The following options are available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>OC-12</b>—only 16-bit pattern is allowed.</li> <li>■ <b>OC-48</b>—only 16-bit pattern is allowed.</li> <li>■ <b>OC-96</b>—16-bit and 32-bit patterns are allowed.</li> </ul>	“SONET/SDH Mode” (OC-12, OC-48, and OC-96) section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

**Table 1-18. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (SONET/SDH Screen) (Part 2 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
What is the word alignment pattern?	Enter the word alignment pattern. By default, the pattern that appears in the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager is '0001010001101111' (16'h146F).	"SONET/SDH Mode" (OC-12, OC-48, and OC-96) section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Flip word alignment pattern bits.	This option is enabled in the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager by default. This option reverses the order of the alignment pattern at a bit level to support MSB-to-LSB transmission in SONET/SDH mode. The ALTGX MegaWizard Plug-In Manager flips the bit order of the default word alignment pattern '0001010001101111' (16'h146F) and uses the flipped version '1111011000101000' (16'hF628) as the word alignment pattern.	—
What do you want the byte ordering to be based on?	This option allows you to trigger the byte ordering block either on the rising edge of the <code>rx_syncstatus</code> signal or the user-controlled <code>rx_enabyteord</code> signal from the FPGA fabric. The byte ordering block is enabled only in OC-48 mode.	"Byte Ordering Block" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Enable run-length violation checking with a run length of.	This option creates the output signal <code>rx_rlv</code> . Enabling this option also activates the run-length violation circuit. If the number of continuous 1s and 0s exceeds the number that you set in this option, the run-length violation circuit asserts the <code>rx_rlv</code> signal. The <code>rx_rlv</code> signal is asynchronous to the receiver data path and is asserted for a minimum of two recovered clock cycles in OC-12 and OC-48 modes. Similarly, it is asserted for a minimum of three recovered clock cycles in the OC-96 mode.  For the OC-12 and OC-48 modes, the run length limits are 4 to 128 in increments of four. For the OC-96 mode, the run length limits are 5 to 160 in increments of five.	"Programmable Run Length Violation Detection" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_syncstatus</code> output port for pattern detector and word aligner.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that synchronization has been achieved. This signal is synchronous with the parallel receiver data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port. The signal width is 1 bit, 2 bits, and 4 bits for a channel width of 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits, respectively.	Table 1-77 and "Word Aligner" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create an <code>rx_patterndetect</code> port to indicate pattern detected.	This is an output status signal that the word aligner forwards to the FPGA fabric to indicate that the word alignment pattern programmed has been detected in the current word boundary. The signal width is 1 bit, 2 bits, and 4 bits for a channel width of 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits, respectively.	Table 1-33 and "Word Aligner" section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

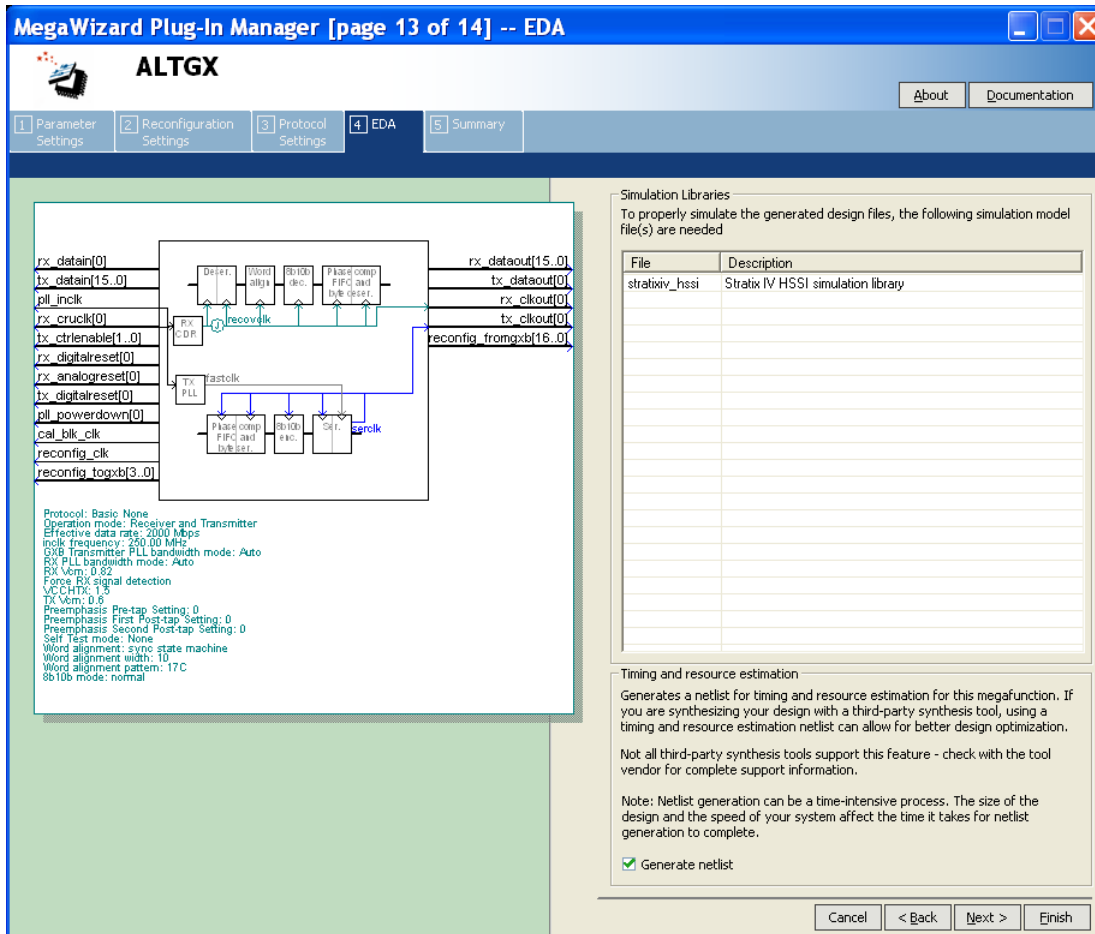
**Table 1-18. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager Options (SONET/SDH Screen) (Part 3 of 3)**

ALTGX Setting	Description	Reference
Create a <code>rx_invpolarity</code> port to enable word aligner polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the received data at the input of the word aligner. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential input to the receiver ( <code>rx_datain</code> ) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Receiver Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Create a <code>tx_invpolarity</code> port to allow Transmitter polarity inversion.	This optional port allows you to dynamically reverse the polarity of every bit of the data word fed to the serializer in the transmitter data path. Use this option when the positive and negative signals of the differential output from the transmitter ( <code>tx_dataout</code> ) are erroneously swapped on the board.	“Transmitter Polarity Inversion” section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Flip receiver output data bits.	This option reverses the bit order of the parallel receiver data at a byte level at the output of the receiver phase compensation FIFO to support MSB-to-LSB transmission in SONET/SDH mode.  For example, if the 16-bit parallel receiver data at the output of the receiver phase compensation FIFO is '10111100 10101101' (16'hBCAD), enabling this option reverses the data on the <code>rx_dataout</code> port to '00111101 10110101' (16'h3DB5).	“SONET/SDH Mode” (OC-12, OC-48, and OC-96) section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.
Flip transmitter input data bits.	This option reverses the bit order of the parallel transmitter data at a byte level at the input of the transmitter phase compensation FIFO to support MSB-to-LSB transmission protocols in SONET/SDH mode.  For example, if the 16-bit parallel transmitter data at the <code>tx_datain</code> port is '10111100 10101101' (16'hBCAD), enabling this option reverses the input data to the transmitter phase compensation FIFO to '00111101 10110101' (16'h3DB5).	“SONET/SDH Mode” (OC-12, OC-48, and OC-96) section in the <i>Transceiver Architecture in Stratix IV Devices</i> chapter.

## EDA Screen

Figure 1-19 shows the EDA screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager. The **Generate Netlist** option generates a netlist for the third party EDA synthesis tool to estimate timing and resource utilization for the ALTGX instance.

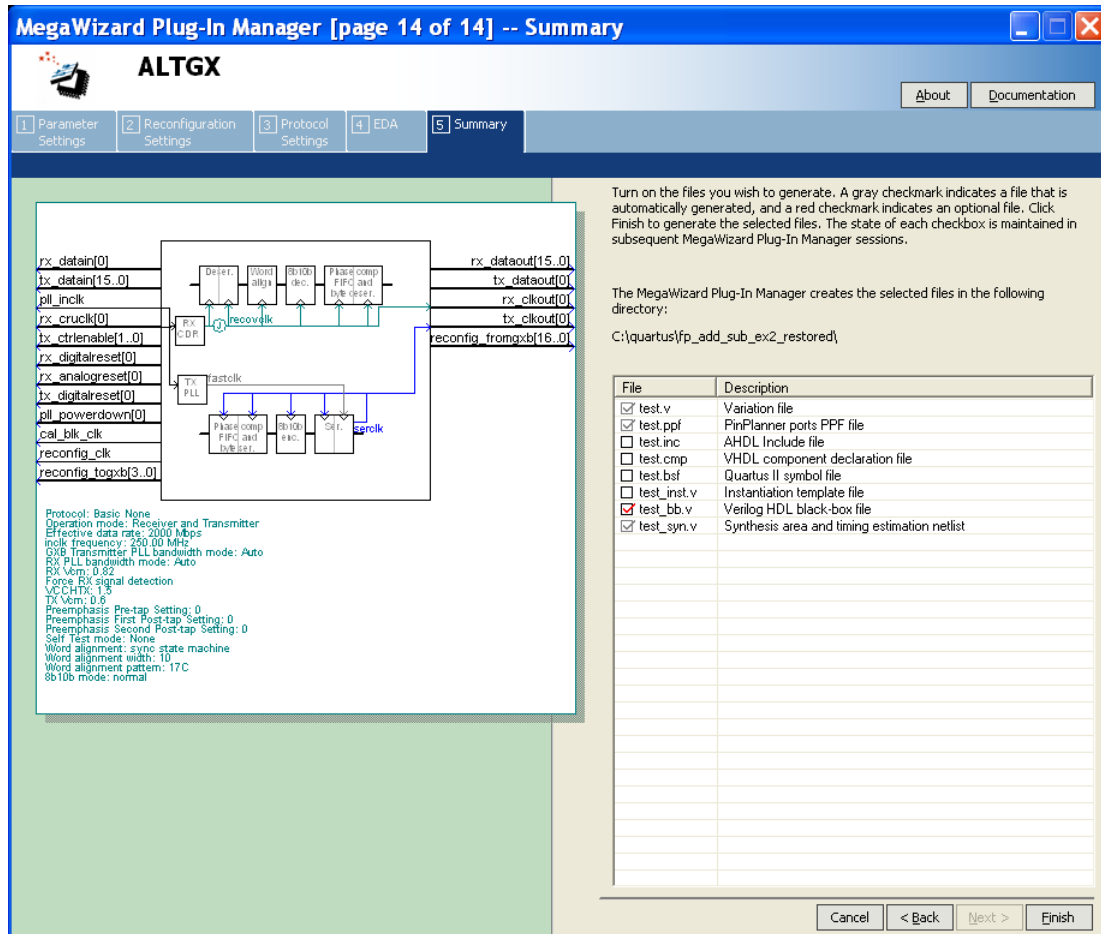
Figure 1-19. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (EDA Screen)



## Summary Screen

Figure 1-20 shows the Summary screen of the MegaWizard Plug-In Manager. You can select optional files on this page. After you make your selections, click **Finish** to generate the files.

Figure 1-20. MegaWizard Plug-In Manager—ALTGX (Summary Screen)



## Document Revision History

Table 1-19 lists the revision history for this chapter.

Table 1-19. Document Revision History (Part 1 of 2)

Date	Version	Changes
December 2011	4.2	Updated Table 1-1.
February 2011	4.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Updated Table 1-1, Table 1-3, Table 1-7, and Table 1-17.</li> <li>■ Updated chapter title.</li> <li>■ Minor text edits.</li> <li>■ Applied new template.</li> </ul>

**Table 1-19. Document Revision History (Part 2 of 2)**

Date	Version	Changes
November 2009	4.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Added Deterministic Latency protocol information.</li> <li>■ Added AEQ information.</li> <li>■ Updated PLL setting information.</li> <li>■ Consolidated Parameter Settings information (Table 1-1 to Table 1-6).</li> <li>■ Consolidated Reconfiguration Settings information (Table 1-7 to Table 1-9).</li> <li>■ Consolidated Protocol Settings information (Table 1-10 to Table 1-18).</li> <li>■ Minor text edits.</li> </ul>
June 2009	3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Updated Table 1-9, Table 1-29 and Table 1-35.</li> <li>■ Updated Figure 1-10.</li> <li>■ Added introductory sentences to improve search ability.</li> <li>■ Minor text edits.</li> </ul>
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November 2008	2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Updated Table 1-1, Table 1-6, and Table 1-11.</li> <li>■ Updated Figure 1-8.</li> <li>■ Added <b>Reconfig Clks</b> and <b>Reconfig 2</b> sections.</li> <li>■ Added the "Use ATX Transmitter PLL" setting.</li> <li>■ Changed the "Which device speed grade will you be using?" setting to the "Which device variation will you be using" setting.</li> </ul>
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May 2008	1.0	Initial release.

