

Launch the AWS provided FPGA Image (AMI) from AWS Marketplace.

Launch the Instance and connect to it.

Write code in Verilog or VHDL for RTL or optionally using open custom logic (OpenCL) framework e.g py-HDL, C, Java to describe the FPGA Logic.

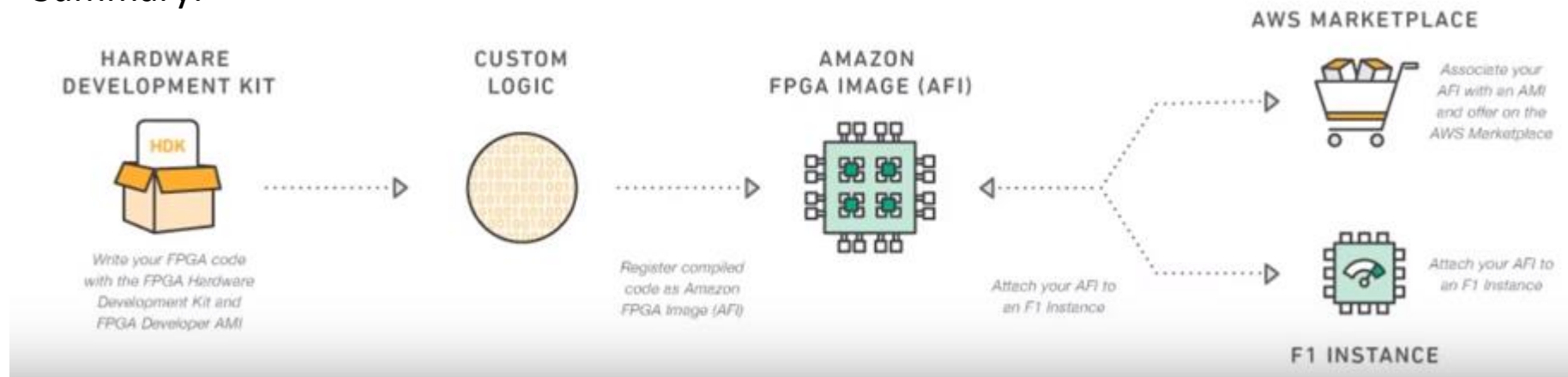
Test the logic using simulator e.g Xilinx Vivado

Use vivado to synthesize and place/route the FPGA logic to create an FPGA check point (DCP).

Create an encrypted Amazon FPGA Image (AFI) using the generated DCP.

Load the AFI to FPGA.

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Step 1: Choose an Amazon Machine Image (AMI)

An AMI is a template that contains the software configuration (operating system, application server, and applications) required to launch your instance. You can select an AMI provided by AWS, our user community, or the AWS Marketplace; or you can select one of your own AMIs.

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FPGA Developer AMI

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\$0.00/hr for software + AWS usage fees

Linux/Unix, CentOS 7.5 | 64-bit Amazon Machine Image (AMI) | Updated: 10/2/18

The FPGA (field programmable gate array) AMI is a supported and maintained CentOS Linux image provided by Amazon Web Services. The AMI is pre-built with FPGA development tools and ...


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## Synthesizing the Example with Xilinx Vivado

- Change into an example directory and set the CL\_DIR environment variable to the path of the example. You will need to set this again if you change examples.

```
1 | cd $HDK_DIR/cl/examples/cl_hello_world # you can change cl_hello_world to any other example
2 | export CL_DIR=$(pwd)
```

- Verify Vivado is installed.

```
1 | vivado -mode batch
```

- Run Vivado synthesis

```
1 | cd $CL_DIR/build/scripts
2 | ./aws_build_dcp_from_cl.sh
```

```
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 scripts]$ ls $CL_DIR/build/checkpoints/to_aws/
18_10_31-114949.Developer_CL.tar 18_10_31-114949.manifest.txt 18_10_31-114949.SH_CL_routed.dcp
```

## Creating an Amazon FPGA Image (AFI)

Now that synthesis is done, we need to create an Amazon FPGA Image (AFI) from the specified design checkpoint (DCP). The AFI contains the FPGA bitstream that will be programmed on the FPGA F1 instance.

- To create an AFI, the DCP must be stored on S3. So we first need to create an s3 bucket. Make sure your credentials are set up correctly for this (aws configure).

```
1 | aws s3 mb s3://<bucket-name> --region <region-name> # Create an S3 bucket. Choose a unique name
2 | aws s3 mb s3://<bucket-name>/<dcp-folder-name> # Create a folder for your tarball files (e.g. dcp)
```

- Now copy the output files from synthesis to the new s3 bucket.

```
s3 cp $CL_DIR/build/checkpoints/to_aws/*.Developer_CL.tar s3://<bucket-name>/<dcp-folder-name>/
```

- Create a folder for your log files

```
1 | aws s3 mb s3://<bucket-name>/<logs-folder-name> # Create a folder to keep your logs
2 | touch LOGS_FILES_GO_HERE.txt # Create a temp file
3 | aws s3 cp LOGS_FILES_GO_HERE.txt s3://<bucket-name>/<logs-folder-name>/
```

[https://github.com/aws/aws-fpga/blob/master/hdk/cl/examples/cl\\_hello\\_world/software/runtime/test\\_hello\\_world.c](https://github.com/aws/aws-fpga/blob/master/hdk/cl/examples/cl_hello_world/software/runtime/test_hello_world.c)

The screenshot shows the AWS S3 console interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'aws' logo, 'Services', and 'Resource Groups'. Below that, the breadcrumb 'Amazon S3 > myapp-images-rupesh' is visible. The main content area has four tabs: 'Overview', 'Properties', 'Permissions', and 'Management'. The 'Overview' tab is active, displaying a search bar with the text 'Type a prefix and press Enter to search. Press ESC to clear.' Below the search bar are buttons for 'Upload', 'Create folder', 'Actions', 'Versions', 'Hide', and 'Show'. A table lists the objects in the bucket:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name ↑	Last modified ↑
<input type="checkbox"/>	dcp	--
<input type="checkbox"/>	logs	--

```
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 scripts]$ aws ec2 create-fpga-image --name my-afi --description test-afi --input-storage-location Bucket=myapp-images-ruresh,Key=dcp/18_10_31-114949.Developer_CL.tar --logs-storage-location Bucket=myapp-images-ruresh,Key=logs
```

CreateFpgaImage	
FpgaImageGlobalId	FpgaImageId
agfi-0a703c634ba5a6347	afi-009aff5358b7e5f0e

```
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 scripts]$ aws ec2 describe-fpga-images --fpga-image-ids afi-009aff5358b7e5f0e
```

DescribeFpgaImages							
FpgaImages							
CreateTime	Description	FpgaImageGlobalId	FpgaImageId	Name	OwnerId	Public	UpdateTime
2018-10-31T13:47:32.000Z	test-afi	agfi-0a703c634ba5a6347	afi-009aff5358b7e5f0e	my-afi	928818878222	False	2018-10-31T13:47:32.000Z

State	
Code	pending

## Running the Example on an Amazon EC2 F1 Instance

```
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 aws-fpga]$ sudo fpga-load-local-image -S 0 -I agfi-0fcf87119b8e97bf3
AFI 0 agfi-0fcf87119b8e97bf3 loaded 0 ok 0 0x04261818
AFIDEVICE 0 0x1d0f 0xf000 0000:00:1d.0
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 aws-fpga]$ sudo fpga-describe-local-image -S 0 -H
Type FpgaImageSlot FpgaImageId StatusName StatusCode ErrorName ErrorCode ShVersion
AFI 0 agfi-0fcf87119b8e97bf3 loaded 0 ok 0 0x04261818
Type FpgaImageSlot VendorId DeviceId
AFIDEVICE 0 0x1d0f 0xf000 0000:00:1d.0
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 aws-fpga]$ cd $CL_DIR/software/runtime/ #CL_DIR is hdk/cl/examples/cl_hello_world
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 runtime]$ make all
gcc -DCONFIG_LOGLEVEL=4 -g -Wall -I/home/centos/aws-fpga/sdk/userspace/include -I /home/centos/aws-fpga/hdk/common/software/include -I ./include -c -o /home/centos/aws-fpga/sdk/userspace/utls
gcc -DCONFIG_LOGLEVEL=4 -g -Wall -I/home/centos/aws-fpga/sdk/userspace/include -I /home/centos/aws-fpga/hdk/common/software/include -I ./include -c -o test_hello_world.o test_hello_world.c
gcc -DCONFIG_LOGLEVEL=4 -g -Wall -I/home/centos/aws-fpga/sdk/userspace/include -I /home/centos/aws-fpga/hdk/common/software/include -I ./include -o test_hello_world /home/centos/aws-fpga/sdk/use
[centos@ip-172-31-37-8 runtime]$ sudo ./test_hello_world
AFI PCI Vendor ID: 0x1d0f, Device ID 0xf000
===== Starting with peek_poke_example =====
Writing 0xfbeadde to HELLO_WORLD register (0x00000000000000500)
===== Entering peek_poke_example =====
register: 0xdeadbeef
TEST PASSEDResulting value matched expected value 0xdeadbeef. It worked!
Developers are encouraged to modify the Virtual DIP Switch by calling the linux shell command to demonstrate how AWS FPGA Virtual DIP switches can be used to change a CustomLogic functionality:
$ fpga-set-virtual-dip-switch -S (slot-id) -D (16 digit setting)
```

Drag the cursor around  
what you want to capture.

In this example, setting a virtual DIP switch to zero clears the corresponding LED, even if the peek-poke example would set it to 1.

For instance:

```
# sudo fpga-set-virtual-dip-switch -S 0 -D 1111111111111111
# sudo fpga-get-virtual-led -S 0
FPGA slot id 0 have the following Virtual LED:
1010-1101-1101-1110
# sudo fpga-set-virtual-dip-switch -S 0 -D 0000000000000000
# sudo fpga-get-virtual-led -S 0
FPGA slot id 0 have the following Virtual LED:
0000-0000-0000-0000
```

Useful URLs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5hatX7j-E4>

<https://kivantium.net/fpga-aws>

<https://www.legupcomputing.com/blog/index.php/2017/08/10/step-by-step-guide-on-running-two-examples-on-the-amazon-fpga-cloud-amazon-ec2-f1/>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R\\_Wxc8y7lb0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R_Wxc8y7lb0)

Useful Command:

```
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