

Systems & Integration Solutions

StarGate 3120 & 3120D

The *StarGate 3120 & 3120D* are the first FastCluster 3000 SERIES PowerPC AltiVec VXS payloads incorporating the latest improvements in multi-core processing and fabric interconnect with Myricom's Myri-10G 10-Gigabit Ethernet clustering technology. Delivering breakthrough performance, low power consumption and low latency, the StarGate operates in a standard VXS backplane with a companion Myri-10G VXS Switch Module.

Highlighting overall system performance, the StarGate 3120 & 3120D incorporate the Freescale single/dual-core PowerPC 8641/D with AltiVec™ and a high performance dual channel memory (DDR2 64-bit @ 533 MHz per channel) offering a five-fold performance improvement in memory bandwidth over the previous 2000 SERIES PowerPC architecture.

At the heart of the 3000 SERIES platform is the Myri-10G interconnect serving the single/dual-Core PowerPC's nodes to form a high performance embedded cluster with scalable bi-section bandwidth. Each StarGate implements two independent Myri-10G nodes. Each node features a Myri-10G NIC (network processor and firmware) supporting a Myri-10G connection that delivers a 10+10 Gbits/s data rate and off-loads the core processor (CPU) from network protocol processing. This implementation minimizes host CPU utilization and enables low-latency kernel bypass communication directly with the application. Myri-10G NIC's maximize throughput by implementing PCI Express and XAUI at the physical layer. The NIC connects to PowerPC's through 8-lane PCI-Express, a 2+2 GigaByte/s full-duplex I/O fabric that is fast enough to keep up with the 1.25+1.25 GigaByte/s network port.

Leveraging the new features offered by the VITA 41 standard, the StarGate supports the traditional P1 and P2 connectors and retains a 6U VME form factor, while boosting performance for serial interconnect with the enhanced VXS P0 connector. The new VXS P0 connector supports two Myri-10G connections each delivering a 10+10 Gbit/s data rate for a total of 5 GBytes/s per payload. This represents a five-fold improvement in speed over the 2000 SERIES implementation.

3000 SERIES

8641/8641D PowerPC
Processing Nodes

VXS (VITA 41.0)

Myri-10G Clustering

PMC/XMC Expansion
Slot

High Availability

Air-Cooled or
Conduction-Cooled

Specifications

3000 SERIES StarGate 3120 & 3120D Hardware Specifications		
Processing Nodes per Board	Two	
Processor Node Options	One Single Core Freescale MPC8641 with Altivec (Model 3120) or One Dual Core Freescale MPC8641D with Altivec (Model 3120D)	
Processor Clock	1.33 GHz	
Cache	L1 Cache: 32KB/32KB instruction/data; L2 Cache: 1 MB (per core)	
Flash Memory	64 MB per processing node (32 MB available to user)	
SDRAM	Two 512 MB DDR2 Memory Channels @ 533 MHz per processing node for a total of 2 Gbytes per board	
FRONT PANEL CONNECTIONS		
Serial Console (debug)	Two Serial Console Interfaces (one per processing node)	
BACKPLANE: VXS (VITA 41.0)		
J0/P0	Two Myri-10G Serial Links (10+10 Gbits/s data rate)	
J2/P2	Two 10/100 Base-T Ethernet Connections (one per processing node) Two Serial Console Interfaces (one per processing node)	
NETWORK COMMUNICATION		
Network Standard	Myri-10G	
Network Processor	LANai Z8E with 2 MB External SRAM running @ 300 MHz	
EXPANSION SLOTS		
XMC/PMC	One slot per board; Supports 33/66/133 MHz operations @ 3.3 Volt Signaling PMC expansion is IEEE P1386.1, and PCI-X compliant XMC expansion is ANSI/VITA 42.3-2006, XMC PCI Express Protocol compliant.	
ENVIRONMENTAL (Air-cooled)		
Operating Temperature	0° C to +55° C (inlet air)	
Ambient Air Relative Humidity	up to 95% non-condensing	
Maximum Altitude	10,000 ft. (3048 m)	
Shock	10 Gs @ 11 ms half sine	
Random Vibration	0.002 g ² /Hz, 10 - 2000 Hz	
Sinusoidal Vibration	2 G's, 5-500 Hz, swept sine	
Storage Temperature	-40° C to +85° C	
ELECTRICAL (Power Requirements*)		
Electrical Power	StarGate 3120	StarGate 3120D
5.0 Volts	48 Watts Max	52 Watts Max
3.3 Volts	38 Watts Max	42 Watts Max
12 Volts	< 1 Watt	< 1 Watt
*Note: these numbers do not include any XMC/PMC's that may be installed on the board		
PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS		
Packaging Standard	6U VME64 Extension (ANSI/VITA 1.1-1997) Form Factor	
Height	9.2 inches (233.4 mm)	
Depth	6.3 inches (160.0 mm)	
Width	0.8 inches (19.8 mm)	
Slot Pitch	0.8"	
Weight	1.64 lbs. (weight will vary depending on configuration)	

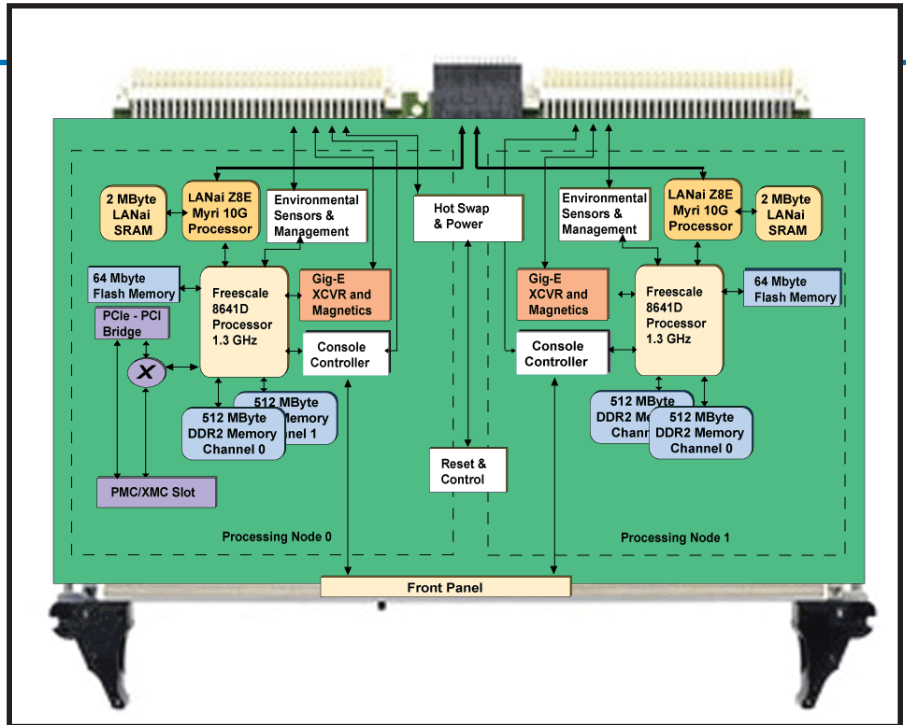
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Dual Core PowerPC with AltiVec

The Freescale PowerPC 8641D will provide the 3000 SERIES with a logical integration of the two processing cores, an AltiVec Unit, DDR2 memory controller, and a PCI Express interface on a chip offering considerable improvement in clock speed, core to core interconnect for SMP implementation, and I/O to the fabric delivering improved Gflops/Watt.

This architecture supports applications with both complex processing and I/O requirements. For a processing node, Linux SMP on a dual-core 8641D will allow transparent usage of the cores on the chip with one MPI process running on each core and one NIC servicing both cores. The L2 cache configuration also enables data locality and concurrent operations of the two e600 cores with minimal data collision at the MPX Coherency Module (MCM).

For a streaming node, the availability of two PCI Express interfaces (XMC to sensor interface, Myri-10G NIC for the fabric) enables the efficient implementation of streaming data (sensor



input or output) with a single core (8641) running Linux or VxWorks kernel for hard real time applications

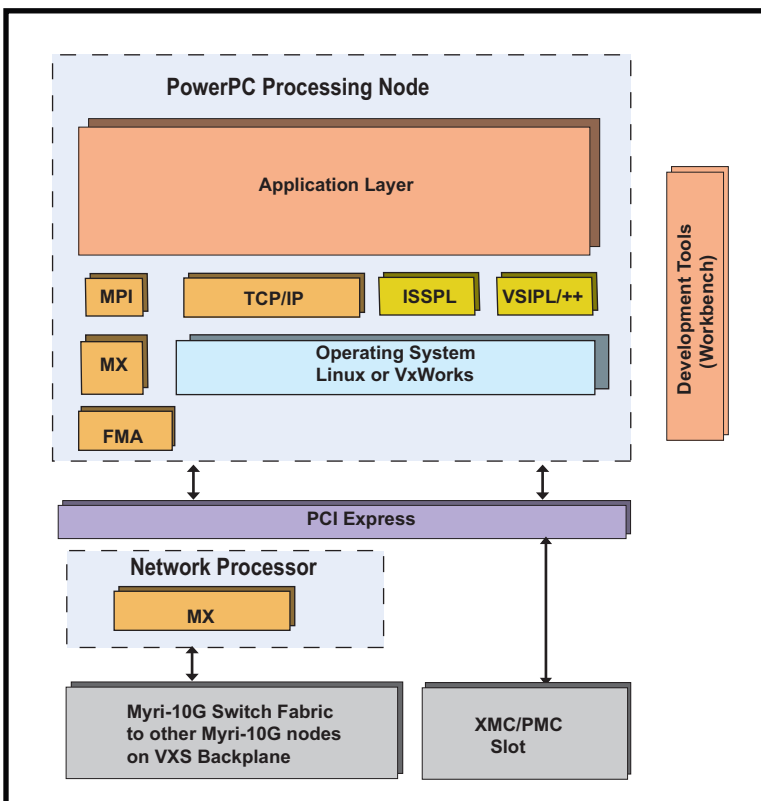
Myri-10G Data Plane

Maximum performance is achieved when the Myri-10G NIC technology on the StarGate 3120 & 3120D is configured in MX Myri-10G mode and used in conjunction with a Myri-10G VXS Switch Module.

However, the Myri-10G NIC can also be used in MX 10 Gigabit Ethernet mode to support 10GbE interoperability to any 10GbE compliant device (10GbE switch, 10GbE server, 10GbE raid disk). Specific examples of applications of interoperability with other 10GbE devices include iSCSI raid disk support, 10GbE sensor interface, and other servers with built-in 10GbE connectivity on the embedded platform.

Management Plane

The StarGate 3120/3120D implements high availability features to support mission critical applications requiring blade replacement without human interaction beyond insertion in the VXS slot. These features are combined into a built-in VXS I2C Management Plane supporting: live insertion, Power on Self Test (POST), self-boot, geographical addressing, and board identification. In addition to the Myri-10G Data Plane, the 3000 SERIES payloads implement an Ethernet Control Plane supporting Out-of-Band cluster management via the Myri-10G Fabric Management System.



FastCluster 3000 SERIES

StarGate Ordering Information

	Part Number	Description
Air-Cooled		
StarGate 3120 - 2 GB	100580-01	Air-Cooled 6U VXS Payload with two PowerPC 8641 Myri-10G processing nodes operating at 1.3 GHz and 2 GB Memory
StarGate 3120D - 2 GB	100590-01	Same as above but with two PowerPC 8641D (dual core) Myri-10G processing nodes and 2 GB Memory
StarGate 3120D - 4 GB	Consult Factory	Same as above with 4 GB Memory
Conduction-Cooled		
StarGate 3120 - 2 GB	Consult Factory	Conduction-Cooled 6U VXS Payload with two PowerPC 8641 Myri-10G processing nodes and 2 GB Memory
StarGate 3120D - 2 GB	Consult Factory	Same as above but with two PowerPC 8641D (dual core) Myri-10G processing nodes and 2 GB Memory

3000 SERIES StarGate 3120 & 3120D Software Specifications

Operating System	Wind River® General Purpose Platform, Linux Edition (based on the Linux 2.6 distribution) Wind River® General Purpose Platform, VxWorks Edition Terra Soft Solutions' Yellow Dog Linux
Message Passing Interface	MPICH-MX and Fabric Management System (FMS) running on the processing node provide support for the Myri-10G interconnect
Development Tools	Wind River® Workbench GNU Toolset
Signal Processing Libraries	ISSPL, VSIPL

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