EM8A - Embedded System Module with MPC8540



The EM8A is a complete embedded SBC for use on any carrier board in different industrial environments. The final application consists of an EM8A with an application-specific carrier card and with additional PCI-104 modules, if needed.

It is controlled by an 800-MHz MPC8540 integrated PowerPC® processor.

The EM8A is equipped with an on-board 133 MHz fast DDR RAM on an SO-DIMM socket for data and with NAND Flash for program storage. It provides access to two Gigabit Ethernet, one fast Ethernet and two COMs via its [3 system connector. Other functions provided inside the MPC8540, as well as graphics, touch, CAN, protocol converters etc. can be realized in an FPGA for the needs of the individual application. The corresponding connectors are available on a carrier board. The functionality of the FPGA is dynamically loaded by the application software. The EM8A comes with MENMON[™] support. This firmware/BIOS can be used for bootstrapping operating systems (from disk, Flash or network), for hardware testing, or for debugging applications without running any operating system.

The EM8A is a communication engine ideal for use in routers, switches, base stations, as an embedded Linux

- MPC8540, 800 MHz
- FPGA 12,000 LEs (approx.144,000 gates)
- **32-bit/33-MHz PCI, opt. 64-bit/66-MHz**
- Up to 2 GB DDR SDRAM (SO-DIMM)
- NAND Flash
- 2 Gb / 1 Fast Ethernet, 2 COMs (rear I/O J3)
- Telco I/O optional via FPGA on carrier
- User defined I/O functions (COMs, CAN bus, graphics, IDE etc.) optional via FPGA on carrier
- Stackable with PCI-104
- MENMON[™] BIOS for PowerPC® cards

server but also for high-end automation and robot control under a real-time operating system. It can be used in embedded applications and it also makes a perfect fit as a system controller in a 6U CPCI or VME environment - combined e.g. with PMC mezzanines. For a first evaluation of the functions of the EM8A we strongly recommend to use the EK7 ESM[™] starter kit. The kit consists of the function-compatible EM8 module (with front I/O), an FPGA loaded with additional I/O functions, the carrier card with I/O connectors, an external PSU, cables, and an adapter for mounting a PCI-104 module.

ESM[™] modules consist of the hardware (CPU, chip set, memory, I/O) which is not fixed to any applicationspecific function, and an FPGA programmed in VHDL code, which provides I/O that is also still independent of a specific application. ESM[™] modules are based on PCI. They have two or three system connectors: J1 has a fixed signal assignment, while J2 is variable depending on the final applicationspecific configuration of the ESM[™] and the carrier board. J2 also feeds the I/O signals of the functions programmed in the FPGA to the carrier card. Some ESM[™] modules have an additional J3 connector that is used to replace the front I/O connectors to route the signals to the carrier board or to the backplane of a CPCI or VME system.



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Technical Data

CPU

- PowerPC®
 - □ MPC8540 PowerQUICC[™] III
 - □ 800MHz (666..833MHz optional)
 - □ e500 PowerPC® core with SPE APU and MMU
 - Integrated Northbridge and Southbridge
 - High memory bandwidth

Memory

- 2x32KB L1 data and instruction cache, 256KB L2 cache / SRAM integrated in MPC8540
- Up to 2GB SDRAM system memory
- □ One SO-DIMM slot for SDRAM modules
- DDR2100 with or without ECC
- 133MHz memory bus frequency
- Up to 1GB soldered NAND Flash (and more), FPGA-controlled
- Up to 16MB additional SDRAM, FPGA-controlled, e.g. for video data and NAND Flash firmware
- 8MB boot Flash
- 32KB non-volatile FRAM
- Serial EEPROM 4kbits for factory settings

Mass Storage

- Parallel IDE (PATA)
 - One port for hard-disk drives
 - Available via I/O connector
 - FPGA-controlled
- Up to 1GB soldered ATA NAND Flash (and more), FPGA-controlled

Graphics

- Available via I/O connector
- FPGA-controlled

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- Three Ethernet channels
 - □ Two 10/100/1000Base-T Ethernet channels
 - One 10/100Base-T Ethernet channel
 - On board-to-board connector J3
- Two RS232 UARTs (COM1/COM2)
 - On board-to-board connector J3
 - Data rates up to 115.2kbits/s
 - □ 16-byte transmit/receive buffer
 - □ Handshake lines: CTS, RTS
- Further I/O depending on FPGA configuration

FPGA

- Standard factory FPGA configuration:
 - Main bus interface
 - 16Z070_IDEDISK IDE controller for NAND Flash
 - 16Z043_SDRAM Additional SDRAM controller (16MB)
 - IdZ023_IDENHS IDE controller (PIO mode 0; non-hot-swap)

□ 16Z025_UART - UART controller (controls COM10)

- I6Z034_GPIO GPIO controller (40 lines, 5 IP cores)
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- The FPGA offers the possibility to add customized I/O functionality. See FPGA.

PCI Interface

- 32- or 64-bit, 33-MHz PCI interface at PCI-104 connectors J1 and J2
- Compliant with PCI Specification 2.2
- Support of four external masters

Miscellaneous

- Real-time clock with GoldCap backup
- Power supervision and watchdog

Electrical Specifications

- Supply voltage/power consumption:
- □ +5V (-2%/+5%), 3A
- MTBF: 177,000h @ 40°C (derived from MIL-HDBK-217F)

Mechanical Specifications

- Dimensions: conforming to ESM[™] specification (PCB: 149mm x 71mm), Type II-N
- Weight: 95g (w/o heat sink); standard heat sink: 155g

Environmental Specifications

- Temperature range (operation):
 - □ 0..+60°C
 - □ Airflow: min. 10m³/h
- Temperature range (storage): -40..+85°C
- Relative humidity (operation): max. 95% non-condensing
- Relative humidity (storage): max. 95% non-condensing
- Altitude: -300m to + 3,000m
- Shock: 15g/11ms
- Bump: 10g/16ms
- Vibration (sinusoidal): 2g/10..150Hz
- Conformal coating on request

Safety

 PCB manufactured with a flammability rating of 94V-0 by UL recognized manufacturers

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 Tested according to EN 55022 (radio disturbance), IEC1000-4-2 (ESD) and IEC1000-4-4 (burst)

BIOS

■ MENMON[™]



Technical Data

Software Support

- VxWorks®
- Linux (ELinOS)
- For more information on supported operating system versions and drivers see Software.



Diagram





Standard Configurations

Article No.	СРU Туре	Clock	System RAM	NAND Flash	Additional SDRAM	FRAM	Boot Flash	Operation Temperature
15EM03-00 (front I/O)	MPC8560	800 MHz	0 MB	128 MB	16 MB	32 KB	8 MB	0+60°C
15EM03A00 (rear I/O)	MPC8560	800 MHz	0 MB	128 MB	16 MB	32 KB	8 MB	0+60°C
15EM08-00 (front I/O)	MPC8540	800 MHz	0 MB	128 MB	16 MB	32 KB	8 MB	0+60°C
15EM08A00 (rear I/O)	MPC8540	800 MHz	0 MB	128 MB	16 MB	32 KB	8 MB	0+60°C

Options

CPU

- Туре
 - MPC8540
 MPC8560
- Clock
 - □ 666..833 MHz

Memory

System RAM

□ 256 MB, 512 MB, 1 GB or 2 GB

With or without ECC

- NAND Flash
 - 0 MB up to maximum available
- Additional SDRAM
- □ 0 MB or 16 MB
- FRAM
- □ 0 MB or 32 MB
- Boot Flash
 - B MB or 16 MB

Mechanical

■ PCI and I/O connectors can also be placed for face-up assembly (ESM[™] Type S)

Operation Temperature • 0..+60°C

Please note that some of these options may only be available for large volumes. Please ask our sales staff for more information.



FPGA

Flexible Configuration

- This MEN board offers the possibility to add customized I/O functionality in FPGA.
- It depends on the board type, pin counts and number of logic elements which IP cores make sense and/or can be implemented. Please contact MEN for information on feasibility.
- You can find more information on our web page "User I/O in FPGA"

FPGA Capabilities

- FPGA Altera® Cyclone® EP1C12
 - □ 12,060 logic elements
 - 239,616 total RAM bits
- Connection

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- Available pin count: 47 pins
- Functions available via I/O connector J2
- MEN offers a starter kit for a computer-on-module of the same product family (version with front I/O). The kit includes a suitable carrier board with different I/O connectors for FPGA signals. An FPGA development package for this hardware kit is also available for download.

Ordering Information

Standard Hardware

15EM08A00 MPC8540/800MHz, 128MB NAND Flash, 8MB boot Flash, 16MB graphics memory, 32KB FRAM, 0..+60°C

Related Hardware

08EK07-00	ESM evaluation kit for EM8: Mini ATX carrier board, EM8 with PowerPC MPC8540/800MHz, 512MB SDRAM, 128MB NAND Flash, 32KB FRAM, 16MB graphics memory, 2 Gigabit Ethernet, 1 Fast Ethernet, 1 UART, graphics, IDE, RJ45 to D-Sub cable, VGA cable, external PSU and adapter for mounting of one PCI-104 module, 0+60°C
15EM08-00	MPC8540, 800MHz, 128MB NAND Flash, 8MB boot Flash, 16MB graphics memory, 32KB FRAM,front: 2 Gigabit Ethernet (RJ45), 1 Fast Ethernet (RJ45), 1 UART (RJ45), 0+60°C (also for ESM evaluation kit EK7)

Memory

0752-0221	1GB DDR RAM 0+60°C for 15EM08A00 (no) ECC)
0/52-0221	TGB DDR RAINI U+60°C for TSEINIU8AUU (no) ECC

Software: OS independent

13Z017-06 MDIS4/2004 low-level driver sources (MEN) for 16Z034_GPIO and 16Z037_GPIO

Software: Linux

13Z025-90Linux native driver (MEN) for 16Z025_UART,
16Z057_UART and 16Z125_UART

Software: VxWorks

10EM03-60	VxWorks BSP (MEN) for EM3, EM3A, EM8, EM8A,
	EK7, A14C and F13
13Z025-60	VxWorks native driver (MEN) for

16Z025_UART, 16Z057_UART and 16Z125_UART

Software: QNX

10EM03-40	QNX BSP (MEN) for EM3, EM3A, EM8, EM8A, EK7, A14C and F13
13Z025-40	QNX native driver (MEN) for 16Z025_UART and 16Z125_UART

Software: Firmware/BIOS

14EM03-00 MENMON (Firmware) for EM3, EM3A, EM8, EM8A, A14C and F13 (object code)

Documentation

20EM00-00	ESM Specification
20EM03-00	EM3/EM3A/EM8/EM8A User Manual
20EM03-ER	EM3 Errata
21APPN009	Application Note: 16Z025_UART and 16Z125_UART under Linux
21MENM-00	MENMON 2nd Edition User Manual
22Z025-ER	16Z025_UART Errata

For the most up-to-date ordering information and direct links to other data sheets and downloads, see the EM8A online data sheet under » www.men.de.



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