

Rapidly add high-performance GigE Vision connectivity to cameras

Overview

Pleora's iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface hardware provides system and camera manufacturers with a straightforward way to integrate Gigabit Ethernet (GigE) video connectivity into their products. With the NTx-Mini, manufacturers can shorten time-tomarket, reduce development and deployment risk, and lower design and system costs.

For manufacturers requiring deeper levels of integration, the NTx-Mini technology is available in the iPORT NTx-Pro2 Intellectual Property (IP) package that includes an FPGA IP core, a hardware reference design, and expert design review services.

NTx-Mini embedded hardware interacts seamlessly with Pleora's other products in networked or point-to-point digital video systems. The hardware also complies fully with the GigE Vision® and GenICam[™] standards, enabling interoperation with third-party equipment in multi-vendor environments. The embedded hardware converts video data to packets at GigE's full, 1 Gb/s throughput rate and sends it with low, consistent latency over a GigE link to receiving software or hardware.

To speed time-to-market, Pleora offers a Development Kit for the NTx-Mini. This kit allows manufacturers to produce system or camera prototypes and proof-of-concept demonstrations easily and rapidly, often without undertaking hardware development.



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Pleora's iPORT NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface also includes:

- eBUS[™] SDK, a feature-rich application development toolkit for manufacturers to rebrand and distribute with their end-products;
- A sophisticated on-board programmable logic controller (PLC), which allows users to precisely measure, synchronize, trigger, and control the operation of vision system elements such as strobe lights and rotary encoders; and
- The AutoGEV XML generation tool, which makes it fast and easy for manufacturers to create a user-friendly GenICam interface for their products.

Features

- · Compact and low power
- GigE Vision and GenICam compliant
- Throughput up to Gigabit Ethernet's full 1 Gb/s rate
- Up to 24-bit, 90 MHz parallel LVTTL/LVCMOS video input, and 2 interleaved taps
- · Line scan and area scan modes
- · 32 MB frame buffer for store-and-forward applications
- Updateable firmware via the GigE port for ease of manufacturing and feature upgrades in the field

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iPORT NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface

Networked Video Connectivity Solutions

iPORT™ Embedded	 Highly reliable, 1 Gb/s data transfer rate
Video Interfaces	with low, end-to-end latency OEM, in-camera board 32 MB of DDR2 RAM
eBUS™ SDK	 eBUS Universal Pro driver Sample applications, including NetCommand[™] sample application, a demonstration of multi-device network connectivity Driver installation tool Documentation
AutoGEV™ XML	 Unique GenlCam[™] XML management tool for
Generation Tool	seamless GenlCam integration
GigE Vision®	 Fully compliant firmware load Guarantees delivery of all packets Comprehensive data transfer diagnostics

Networking Features

GigE-based	 10/100/1000 Mb/s IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet), IPv4, IGMPv.2, UDP and ICMP (ping) Long reach: 100 m point-to-point, further with Ethernet switches or fiber
GigE Vision Protocol	 Guarantees delivery of all packets Comprehensive data transfer diagnostics
Multicast capability	 Enables advanced distributed processing and control architectures

Characteristics

Size (L x W)	• 42 mm X 42 mm
Operating temperature	$\cdot $ 0°C to 45°C (higher with thermal pad)
Storage temperature	• -40°C to 85°C
Power supply	• 4.5V to 16V
Power consumption	 From 1.6 W (input voltage and temperature dependent)

Connectors

FlexEBoard	 12-pin (Hirose HR10A-10P-12P(73)) 20-pin FPC (FH12-20S-0.5SH)
AdaptRBoard	 40-pin DF12(3.5)-40DP-0.5V(86) Mates with DF12-40DS-0.5V(86)
Network	RJ45. Can be mounted horizontally or vertically on the NTx-Mini Main Board
Camera head interface	· 60-pin (Molex 51374-6073)



iPORT NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface board with horizontal RJ45 connector and soldered 12-pin circular connector



iPORT NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface

Programmable Logic Features

4 inputs (TTL) 3 outputs (TTL) 4 outputs (LVCMOS/LVTTL to camera head connector)	 Provides a flexible, general-purpose interface Allows synchronization of multiple devices or system elements Flexible triggering capabilities, including Boolean combinations, deserialized Camera Link control signals, encoders, and time stamps Built-in debouncers
1 RS-232 serial link	 Serial control of external devices via PC application over the GigE link Can be bridged to an internal UART serial link
2 UART serial links (LVCMOS/LVTTL)	 Serial control of camera and other devices via PC application over the GigE link
Delayer, rescaler, general-purpose counter	Allows full synchronization of line scan cameras and other system elements
Timestamp trigger, counter, and reset	 Allows system actions to be triggered based on timestamps Allows resets to be broadcast to all iPORT IP engines in system from host
Host interrupts	 Allows host to be interrupted based on events on any input or internal signal

Data Acquisition Features

Accepts LVCMOS/ LVTTL signals	Compatible with internal camera signaling
Integrated acquisition engine	 Can acquire images from a wide variety of sources, with pixel depths up to 24 bits, color or B/W, and multi-tap at up to 90 MHz
Free running or externally triggered	Flexible acquisition modes
Static configuration	 Configuration settings are saved to on-board Flash memory

Ordering Information

904-3000	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface main board with vertical RJ45 jack.
904-3001	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface board set with vertical RJ45 jack including 904-3000 and AdaptRBoard.
904-3002	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface in-camera set with vertical RJ45 jack including 904- 3001 and FlexEBoard. Note: The 12-pin circular connector is not included and must be ordered separately, order code 200-0016.
904-3003	 iPORTTM NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface Development Kit, which contains 904-3002, prober/ breakout board, power supply, and GigE NIC
904-3200	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface main board with horizontal RJ45 jack.
904-3201	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface board set with horizontal RJ45 jack including 904-3200 and AdaptRBoard.
904-3202	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface in-camera set with horizontal RJ45 jack including 904- 3201 and FlexEBoard. Note: The 12-pin circular connector is not included and must be ordered separately, order code200-0016.
904-3203	 iPORT[™] NTx-Mini Embedded Video Interface Development kit with horizontal RJ45 jack including 904-3202, prober board, flat flex cables, power supply, Gigabit Ethernet desktop NIC, Ethernet cable, 12-pin circular connector soldered on FlexEBoard, and eBUS SDK USB stick.

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