# A23C

# TI Sitara ARM Cortex-A15 CPU

# **6U VMEbus**

- » TI Sitara dual-core ARM Cortex-A15 AM5728, 1.5 GHz
- » 64-bit VMEbus master and slave interfaces
- » Up to 2 GB DDR3 SDRAM
- » microSD card and mSATA card slot
- » 1 USB, 2 Gb Ethernet, 1 COM
- » 2 PMC/XMC slots
- » U-Boot Universal Boot Loader
- » -40°C to +85°C screened



#### Low-Power ARM-Based VMEbus CPU

The single-board computer A23C features a versatile high-performance, small footprint and low-power ARM processor, which allows application partitioning thanks to its 32-bit A15 CPU with integrated M4, GPU and DSP coprocessors. The A23C supports a reduction of system size, a reliable long-term operation without forced air cooling, and manifold computing functions with just one computer board.

## Versatile Front I/O and Mass Storage

With one USB port, two Gigabit Ethernet ports and one RS232 COM at the front, the board offers the crucial basics of a multi-purpose industrial computer. As these interfaces are already provided by the ARM CPU, the remaining board space can be flexibly used for two PMC/XMC modules. Being equipped with DDR3 SDRAM, Flash and FRAM, the need for flexible mass storage extensions is covered by slots for microSD card and mSATA.

## Additional Interfaces via PMC/XMC

In addition, the A23C can be equipped with up to two XMC or PMC mezzanine cards on shared sites, providing both front I/O (XMC/PMC) and rear I/O (PMC) for functions such as graphics, mass storage, or further Ethernet. The two PMC slots support modules up to 64-bit/133-MHz PCI-X, while the XMC slots are controlled by one PCI Express x1 link.

The modular extension with I/O mezzanines on a single-board computer allows to configure tailored systems from open standard components, reducing thus integration time and cost.

#### **Designed for Harsh Environments**

The A23C supports operation in a -40°C to +85°C temperature range. The board withstands shock and vibration as all components on the board are soldered, which is a prerequisite for reliable operation and a longer product life-time.

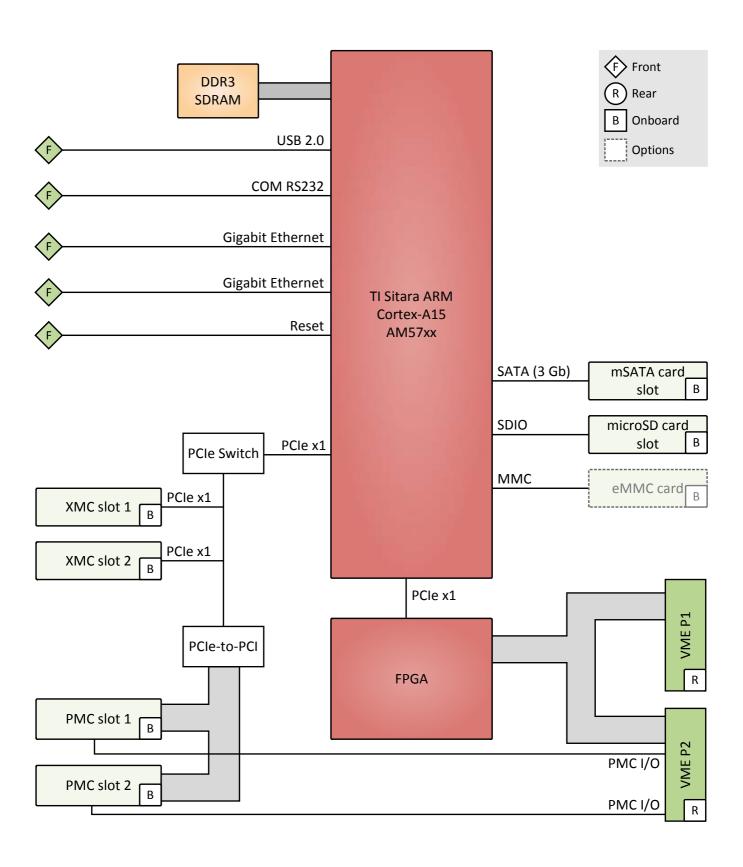
# **Software Support**

The CPU board is supported by the Universal Boot Loader (U-Boot), which can be used for bootstrapping operating systems, for hardware testing, or for debugging applications without running any operating system. TI Sitara processors guarantee long-term availability and compatibility with the latest versions of Linux or QNX.

## **Demanding Markets**

The A23C is a computer board well suited for critical embedded applications, especially in the industrial automation and power & energy markets, for example as the central safety platform for power plants. With a guaranteed standard life-time of ten years from product start, the A23C facilitates life-cycle management by making the overall system available at least for this period of time.







#### **CPU**

- The following CPU types are available:
  - □ TI Sitara ARM Cortex-A15, AM5728, 1.5 GHz, dual core, no ECC, with graphics
  - □ TI Sitara ARM Cortex-A15, AM5726, 1.5 GHz, dual core, no ECC, no graphics (on request)

#### Memory

- System Memory
  - □ Soldered DDR3, no ECC
  - □ 1 GB or 2 GB
- Boot Flash
  - □ 4 MB, or
  - □ 8 MB, or
  - □ 16 MB
- 128 KB non-volatile FRAM

## Mass Storage

- The following mass storage devices can be assembled:
  - microSD card
  - mSATA disk
  - □ eMMC device, soldered; different sizes available

## Front Interfaces

- USB
  - □ One Type A connector, host, USB 2.0
- Ethernet
  - □ Two RJ45 connectors, 1000BASE-T
  - Four link and activity LEDs (two per channel)
- UAR
  - □ One physical interface RS232 on RJ45 connector
- PMC/XMC front I/O if populated
- Status LEDs
- Reset button

#### **Onboard Interfaces**

- The board supports either two XMC slots or two PMC slots.
- XMC
- □ Two slots
- □ Compliant with XMC standard VITA 42.3-2006
- One x1 PCI Express link for both slots
- □ 5 V / 3.3 V V(I/O)
- PMC
  - Two slots
  - □ Compliant with PMC standard IEEE 1386.1
  - PCI/PCI-X 32/64-bit, 33/66/133 MHz, 3.3 V V(I/O)

#### Rear Interfaces

- PMC
  - Signals from PMC modules 0 and 1
  - PMC I/O module (PIM) support through J4 for both slots

# **Supervision and Control**

- Watchdog
- Temperature measurement
- Voltage monitoring
- Real-time clock
  - with supercapacitor, or
  - with battery backup (optional)



## Backplane Standard

- Compliant with VME64 Specification
- Slot-1 function with auto-detection
- Hot insertion and removal without damage
- Master
  - D08(EO):D16:D32:D64:A16:A24:A32:ADO:BLT:RMW
- Slave
  - D08(EO):D16:D32:D64:A16:A24:A32:BLT:RMW
- 1 MB shared fast SRAM
- = DMA
- Mailbox functionality
- Interrupter D08(O):I(7-1):ROAK
- Interrupt handler D08(O):IH(7-1)
- Single level 3 fair requester
- Single level 3 arbiter
- Bus timer
- Location Monitor

## **Electrical Specifications**

- Supply voltage
  - □ +5 V (-3%/+5%)
  - □ +3.3 V (-3%/+5%)
  - $_{\ }$   $_{\ }\pm12$  V (-5%/+5%), only provided for mezzanines that need 12 V
- Power consumption
  - □ 9 W max. (without XMC/PMC modules)

## **Mechanical Specifications**

- Dimensions
  - □ 6U, 4 HP
- Weight
  - □ 370 g (01A023C00)

# **Environmental Specifications**

- Temperature range (operation)
  - □ -40°C to +85°C (qualified components), compliant with EN 50155, class TX
  - □ Airflow: min. 1.0 m/s
- Temperature range (storage): -40°C to +85°C
- Cooling concept
  - □ Air-cooled
- Relative humidity (operation): max. 95% non-condensing
- Relative humidity (storage): max. 95% non-condensing
- Altitude: -300 m to +3000 m
- Conformal coating; optional

## Reliability

■ MTBF: tbd h @ 40°C according to IEC/TR 62380 (RDF 2000)

#### Safety

- Electrical Safety
  - □ EN 50153:2014
  - □ EN 60950-1:2006 + A11:2009 + A1:2010 + A12:2011 + AC:2011 + A2:2013
  - □ EN 62368-1:2014
- Flammability (PCBs)
  - □ UL 94 V-0

## **EMC**

- EN 50121-3-2:2015
- EN 55022:2010
- EN 55024:2010

#### **BIOS**

U-Boot Universal Boot Loader

# Technical Data



# Software Support

- Linux Yocto
- QNX 6.6
- VxWorks (on request)
- For more information on supported operating system versions and drivers see Software.





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