Sabertooth

PC104 Embedded Computer



Overview

The Sabertooth is a rugged PC104 embedded computer featuring a high bandwidth "3-Bank" expansion interface. The expansion connector supports high speed peripherals, compute-offload, or GPU devices that require up to 16 high speed PCIe lanes.

The Sabertooth is a highly effective edge computer which, with its high bandwidth bus, can be further expanded with I/O such as 10 Gigabit Ethernet FPGAs, and GPU boards. The Sabertooth's high bandwidth expansion port includes a PCIe Gen 3 x16 bus with bifurcation, four PCIe x1, two USB 2.0, and SMB interfaces.

Sabertooth is based on Intel's 9th Generation CPU family. Models are available with quad-core i3 or hex-core Xeon-E processors. Featuring Hyper-Threading on Xeon-E equipped models, the Sabertooth is a powerful computing platform. In addition to its powerful processor it includes high speed SSD storage (NVMe), and up to 32 GB of RAM (error-correcting RAM in the Xeon-E model). This makes it ideal for embedded computing needs in defense, aerospace, medical, smart security, and energy applications.

The Sabertooth is designed and tested for full industrial temperature (-40° to +85°C) operation and meets MIL-STD-202H specifications for shock and vibration. It uses latching connectors to address cable detachment issues in hostile environments.

VersaLogic's 10+ year product life support ensures long-term availability. Long lifecycle products avoid expensive upgrades, redesigns, and migrations that come from shorter lifecycle products.

Highlights

- High Performance Processors 6-core Xeon-E or 4-core i3
- 3-Bank Expansion Gen 3 PCIe x16 with bifurcation
- High Speed On-board Storage 128 Gb NVMe fast read/write SSD storage



Features

PC104 "3-Bank" Expansion Connector
Gen 3 PCle x16 bus with bifurcation, four PCle x1,
two USB 2.0. and SMB.

2 High-performance Video

Intel UHD Graphics (P)630 supports DirectX 12 and OpenGL 4.5, 4K hardware video acceleration with HEVC (10-bit), VP8, VP9, and MPEG2 encoding/decoding and VC-1 decoding. Two Mini DisplayPort outputs.

3 Network
Two Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) ports.

4 Storage

On-Board fast read/write bootable 128 GB NVMe SSD. Larger capacities available.

6 Gb/s SATA port supports bootable SATA hard drive. Dual-port (non-latching) option available.

5 Industrial I/O

Two USB 3.1 ports (5a) and four USB 2.0 ports (5b) support video cameras, keyboard, mouse, and other devices.

Two RS-232/422/485 serial ports (5c). Three 8254 timer/counters. I2C support (5d).

6 Digital I/O

Eight TTL I/O Lines 3.3V. Independently configurable.

On-board Power Conditioning

10V-15VDC input for nominal 12V power sources

8 Thermal Solution

Built-in heat plate supports direct attachment to a thermal bulkhead, or attachment to other thermal options (heat sink, heat pipe adaptor, etc).

Expansion Power

Power input for any expansion boards added to the system.

Intel Xeon or iCore "Coffee Lake Refresh" Processor (not shown)

Quad-core or hex-core, up to 4.2 GHz turbo clock rate.

RAM (not shown)

Up to 32 GB ECC or non-ECC DDR4 RAM depending on model.

Trusted Platform Module (not shown)
On-board TPM 2.0 security chip can lock out unauthorized hardware and software access.

Compact PC104 Size

Industry standard PC104 form factor (90 x 96 mm). Compact size. Supports stackable expansion.

Industrial Temperature Operation

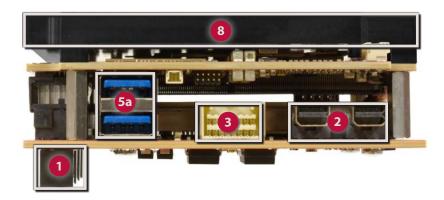
-40° to +85°C operation for harsh environments.

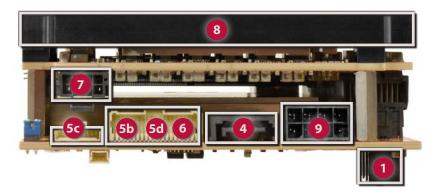
MIL-STD-202H

Qualified for high shock/vibration environments.

Software Support

Compatible with a variety of popular x86 operating systems including Windows, Linux, and Windows Server.





Modify Sabertooth to Your Exact Requirements

COTS modifications are available in quantities as low as 100 pieces.

- Conformal Coating
- Connector Changes
- I/O Changes
- Custom Testing
- Custom Labeling
- BGA Underfill
- BIOS Modifications
- Software and Drivers
- Revision Locks
- Custom Screening
- Larger Storage Device
- Software Pre-load
- Etc.

Specifications

General								
Board Size	PC104 90 x	96 x 42.9 mm (3.54 x 3.78	3 x 1.6	9")			
Weight	476 grams (16.8 oz.) including heat plate							
Processor Options	Processor		Cache Intel vPro™			l vPro™		
	i3-9100HL		6 MB	;	No			
	Xeon-E-227	6ML	12 MB			Yes		
	Intel 64-bit instructions, Secure Key, Intel Execution Technology, Intel Enhanced Spe Technology, Intel Turbo Boost Technology, Virtualization Technology, AES New Instru					eedStep® Intel		
Battery	Connection	for 3.0V RTC ba	ckup batte	ery				
Power Requirements	Model		Idle	Aver	erage Max.			
(@ +12V) †	VL-EPMe-51 (Core i3)	IEAP-16	4.4 W	23.9	W	43.3 W		
	VL-EPMe-51 (Xeon-E)	IEDP-16X	4.2 W	26.1	W	48.0 W		
	VL-EPMe-51 (Xeon-E)	IEDP-32X	4.2 W	26.7	w W	49.2 W		
Input Voltage	10V – 15VDC							
System Reset and Hardware Monitors	All voltage rails monitored. Watchdog timer with programmable timeout. Push-button sleep, reset, and power.							
Regulatory Compliance	RoHS (EU 2015/863), Conflict Minerals compliant.							
Environmental								
Thermal Management	Bolt-on heat plate included. Optional heat sink, fan, and other thermal accessories available.							
Operating Temperature	Model	Heat Plate**	Heat Pipe Heat Sink Adapter kit Fan					
	All models	-40° to +85°C	-40° to +8	5°C	-40°	to +60°C		
	Ranges shown assume 90% CPU utilization. For detailed thermal information and exceptions, refer to the VL-EPMe-51 Reference Manual. ** Heat plate must be kept below 80°C							
Airflow Requirements	0.5 linear m/s.							
Storage Temperature	-40° to +85°C							
Vibration, Sinusoidal Sweep ¤	MIL-STD-202H method MIL-STD-202-204, Condition A: 2g							
Vibration, Random ¤	MIL-STD-202H method MIL-STD-202-214, Condition A: 5.35g rms							
Mechanical Shock ¤	MIL-STD-202H method MIL-STD-202-213, Condition G: 20g half-sine							
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Security								

† Represents operation at +25°C and +12V supply running Windows 10 with DisplayPort display, GbE,
and USB keyboard/mouse. Average power computed as the mean value of Idle and Maximum power
specifications. Maximum power measured with 95% CPU utilization in Turbo mode.

Intel Trusted Platform Module 2.0 device

- \Diamond Derate -1.1°C per 305m (1,000 ft.) above 2,300m (7,500 ft.)
- ‡ TVS protected port (enhanced ESD protection)
- $\$ Power pins on this port are overload protected
- ¥ Bootable storage device capability

TPM

n MIL-STD-202H shock and vibe levels are used to illustrate the extreme ruggedness of this product
in general. Testing at higher levels and/or different types of shock or vibration methods can be
accommodated per the specific requirements of the application. Contact VersaLogic Sales for further
information.

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Memory				
System RAM	16 or 32 GB DDR4 SDRAM. ECC or non-ECC depending on model.			
Video				
General	Integrated Intel UHD Graphics (P)630 supports DirectX 12 and OpenGL 4.5, Quick Sync Video, Clear Video HD Technology, 4K			
Hardware Based Acceleration	Video acceleration with HEVC (10-bit), VP8, VP9, and MPEG2 encoding/decoding and VC-1 decoding			
DisplayPort Interface §	Two Mini DisplayPort++ outputs. 24-bit. Up to 4096 x 2304 at 60 Hz (30 Hz for Xeon model). 4K support at 60 Hz. Supports DisplayPort and HDMI signaling (Video and Audio outputs).			
Mass Storage				
Rotating/SSD Drive ¥	SATA 6 Gb/s port. Latching SATA connector. (Dual non-latching connector available upon request.)			
Flash/SSD ¥	Soldered-down 128 GB NVMe. Supports Data at Rest security functions. Capacities to 1 TB supported.			
Network Interface				
Ethernet‡	Two AutoDetect 10BaseT/100BaseTX/1000BaseT ports. Latching connector. One port with network boot-option.			
Device I/O				
USB ‡§	Two USB 3.1 / 2.0 ports. Four USB 2.0 host ports.			
COM Interface ‡	Two RS-232/422/485 selectable. 16C550 compatible. 1 Mbps max.			
Digital I/O	Eight TTL I/O Lines 3.3V. Independently configurable.			
I2C	Single I2C interface			
Counter/Timers	Three 8254 compatible Programmable Interval Timers (PITs).			
Expansion				
3-Bank Type 1. Stack Down	PCIe Gen 3 x16 with bifurcation (1 x16, or 2 x8, or 2 x4), four PCIe Gen 3 x1 lanes, two USB 2.0, and SMB.			
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Software				
	UEFI			
Software	UEFI ACPI 3.0. Support for S0, S3, S4, S5 states.			



Operating Systems

Compatible with most x86 operating systems including Windows, Linux, and Windows Server (Xeon model only)

Inverted view showing stack-down 3-bank connector



Product Data Sheet PC104 Embedded Computer

Ordering Information

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			Hyper-Threading /	CPU Clock /	Graphics	On-board	SODIMM	Operating	
Model	Processor	Cores	Threads	Turbo Speed	Core	Storage	Memory	Temp.†	Cooling
VL-EPMe-51EAP-16	i3-9100HL	4	No / 4	1.6 GHz / 2.9 GHz	UHD 630	128 GB NVMe SSD	16 GB	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate
VL-EPMe-51EDP-16X*	Xeon-E-2276ML	6	Yes / 12	2.0 GHz / 4.2 GHz	UHD P630	128 GB NVMe SSD	16 GB ECC	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate
VL-EPMe-51EDP-32X	Xeon-E-2276ML	6	Yes / 12	2.0 GHz / 4.2 GHz	UHD P630	128 GB NVMe SSD	32 GB ECC	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate

 $[\]ensuremath{\dagger}$ Final operating temperature is dependent on the customer thermal solution

Accessories

Part Number	Description			
Cable Kit				
VL-CKR-	Sabertooth Eval. cable kit. Includes VL-CBR-4005, 0812, 1604, 0815,			
SABERTOOTH	0702, 2033, 1014, 0816, 0817, HDW-105 and 401.			
VL-CBR-4005	System I/O paddleboard			
VL-CBR-0812	12" 8 pin Nanofit to Fork Terminal, Power Cable			
VL-CBR-1604	Dual Ethernet cable, 16-pin Clik-Mate to 2 RJ-45 - rugged latching, 12"			
VL-CBR-0815	12" 8-pin Molex Micro-Fit+ to Fork Terminals, 3-Bank Power Cable			
VL-CBR-0816	12" ATX 8-pin to 8-pin Molex Nano-Fit			
VL-CBR-0817	12" ATX 24-pin to 8-pin Molex Micro-Fit+			
VL-CBR-0702	SATA cable – rugged latching, 20"			
VL-CBR-2033	Mini DisplayPort to HDMI Active Adapter			
VL-CBR-1014	RS232 Dual channel cable 2xDsub (9-pin), Latching, 12"			
VL-HDW-105	0.6" Standoff Package, metric thread			
VL-HDW-401	Thermal compound paste. For heat sink attachment.			
Cables and Adapter	Cables and Adapters			
VL-CBR-0203	2-pin Latching Battery Module, 6"			
VL-CBR-2031	36" mDP to mDP Cable			
VL-CBR-2032	Mini DisplayPort to VGA Adapter			
Hardware				
VL-HDW-114	PC104 (PCIe) Spacer			
VL-HDW-115	PC104 (blank) Spacer			
Thermal Options				
VL-HDW-424	Heat Sink with Fan			
VL-HDW-425	Heat Pipe Adapter Kit			
Miscellaneous				
VL-PS-ATX12-300A	ATX development power supply			
	(requires VL-CBR-0816 and VL-CBR-0817)			

Take the Risk out of Embedded Computing

Whether it's selecting the optimum solution for your application, providing expert support during development, or on-time delivery of defect-free products, VersaLogic is here to make sure your project goes smoothly from initial concept through the extended life of your program. Contact VersaLogic today to learn more.





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