

Hercules III: EBX SBC with Intel E-Series CPU

CPU Specifications

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| Processor | Intel Atom 1.6GHz E680T CPU (also available at 1.3GHz and 600MHz) |
| Cooling | Heat sink, fan-less |
| Memory | 1GB or 2GB SDRAM soldered on-board |
| Display type | LVDS LCD and VGA CRT |
| Display resolution | 1600 X 1200 maximum |
| USB ports | 5 USB 2.0; 1 USB 2.0 device port |
| Serial ports | 2 RS-232/422/485; 4 RS-232 |
| CANbus | 1 CANbus 2.0 port |
| Networking | 2 Gigabit Ethernet |
| Mass storage | 1 SATA port; 1 mSATA Disk Module interface |
| Keyboard/Mouse | PS/2 |
| Audio | HD Audio Realtek ALC262 CODEC |
| Expansion sockets | PCIe MiniCard full-size socket Trimble Condor C2626 GPS receiver socket |
| Expansion bus | PC/104-Plus (ISA + PCI) |
| Input power | +7 to +40V input provides 55W total power |
| Power consump | 13.8W nominal; 20W maximum |
| Operating temp | -40°C to +85°C (-40°F to +185°F) |
| Shock | MIL-STD-202G, Method 213B compatible |
| Vibration | MIL-STD-202G, Method 214A compatible |
| Dimensions | 5.75" x 8.0" (146mm x 203mm) EBX standard form factor |
| RoHS | Compliant |

Data Acquisition

Hercules III's integrated data acquisition circuit includes 32 analog inputs with 16-bit A/D and 250KHz maximum sample rate, four 12-bit analog outputs, 40 digital I/O lines, four pulse width modulators, a watchdog timer, and two counter/timers. It uses an enhanced 2048-sample FIFO with programmable threshold for maximum flexibility and data reliability.

The analog circuitry utilizes Diamond Systems' industry-leading autocalibration technology to calibrate its A/D and D/A circuits. This means you get analog I/O performance with the maximum possible accuracy over the full operating temperature range of the product.

Software Support

Hercules III runs Linux, Windows Embedded Standard 7, and Windows Embedded CE. Windows Embedded Standard 7 and Linux Software Development Kits are available with a bootable OS image and drivers. Diamond's Universal Driver software is also included. It provides a C programming library for the integrated data acquisition circuit, demo programs, and example code to assist in application development.

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| ANALOG | |
| Number of inputs | 32 single-ended or 16 differential, selectable |
| A/D resolution | 16 bits |
| Input ranges | ±10V, ±5V, ±2.5V, ±1.25V, 0-10V, 0-5V, 0-2.5V programmable |
| Max sample rate | 250KHz |
| Protection | ±35V on any analog input without damage |
| Nonlinearity | ±3LSB, no missing codes |
| On-board FIFO | 2048 samples, programmable threshold |
| DAQ calibration | Autocalibration with software support |
| Number of outputs | 4, 12-bit resolution |
| Output ranges | ±5V, ±10V, 0-5V, 0-10V |
| Output current | ±5mA max per channel |
| Settling time | 6µS max to 0.01% |
| Relative accuracy | ±1 LSB |
| Nonlinearity | ±1 LSB, monotonic |
| Reset | Reset to zero-scale or mid-scale |
| DIGITAL I/O | |
| Digital I/O lines | 40 lines, programmable direction |
| Input voltage | Logic 0: 0.0V min, 0.8V max Logic 1: 2.0V min, 5.0V max |
| Input current | ±1µA max |
| Output voltage | Logic 0: 0.0V min, 0.33V max Logic 1: 2.4V min, 5.0V max |
| Output current | Logic 0: 64mA max per line Logic 1: -15mA max per line |
| COUNTER / TIMERS | |
| PWM | 4 pulse width modulators |
| Watchdog timer | Programmable WDT |
| A/D Pacer clock | 32-bit down counter |
| Clock source | 10MHz on-board clock or external signal |
| General purpose | 16-bit down counter |

Ordering Information

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| HRCE1600A-1G | Hercules III SBC, 1.6GHz Atom E680T CPU, 1GB RAM, full data acquisition |
| HRCE1600D-1G | Hercules III SBC, 1.6GHz Atom E680T CPU, 1GB RAM, DIO only (MOQ of 50) |
| HRCE1600A-2G | Hercules III SBC, 1.6GHz Atom E680T CPU, 2GB RAM, full data acquisition (MOQ of 50) |
| HRCE1600D-2G | Hercules III SBC, 1.6GHz Atom E680T CPU, 2GB RAM, DIO only (MOQ of 50) |
| DK-HRCE1600A-01 | Hercules III Development Kit with HRCE1600A-1G SBC, cables and Linux OS |
| SDK-HRCE-LNX | Hercules III Linux Software Development Kit |
| SDK-HRCE-WE7 | Hercules III Windows Embedded Standard 7 Software Development Kit |
| SDK-HRCE-WCE | Hercules III Windows CE Software Development Kit |
| C-HRCE-KIT | Hercules III Cable Kit for on-board I/O |
| OPT-HRCE-GPS | Add-on Trimble Condor C2626 GPS receiver |

Hercules III: EBX SBC

Upgrade Path for Long Product Life

Hercules III is a backward compatible single board computer upgrade for Diamond’s Hercules II SBC.

To provide long term support for its customers, with Hercules III Diamond Systems’ maintains and extends its Hercules SBC platform by providing a drop in replacement for Hercules II that is highly compatible and offers improved performance.

The table below highlights the differences between the Hercules III and Hercules SBCs.

Hercules III and Hercules II Differences

| Feature | Hercules III | Hercules II |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| CPU | Intel Atom E680T | VIA Mark Corefusion |
| CPU Speed | 1.6GHz | 800MHz |
| CPU Mark | tbd | tbd |
| Memory | 1GB or 2GB SDRAM on-board | 256MB or 512MB on-board |
| USB Ports | 6 USB 2.0 (1 as device port) | 4 USB 1.1 |
| Serial Ports | 4 RS-232 2 RS-232/422/485 | 2 RS-232 2 RS-232/485 |
| Ethernet | 2 Gigabit | 1 10/100Base-T |
| Mass Storage – External | 1 SATA 1.0 | 1 IDE UDMA-100 |
| Mass Storage – Internal | mSATA flashdisk up to 64GB | IDE flashdisk up to 4GB CompactFlash socket |
| Display | LCD; VGA or DVI | LCD; VGA |
| Audio | HD Audio CODEC | Audio CODEC |
| Expansion | PC/104-Plus PCIe MiniCard socket GPS receiver socket | PC/104-Plus |
| CAN bus port | 1 | No |
| System controller | 10 GPIO, 4 A/D, 4 PWM | No |
| MTBF timer | Yes | No |
| Wake on timer | Yes | No |
| Power Consumption | 13.8W | 16W |