

LAYERSCAPE[®] LX2160A COMMUNICATIONS PROCESSOR

The Layerscape LX2160A SoC delivers the high performance needed for computeintensive networking applications. Equipped with sixteen Arm®v8 Cortex®-A72 CPU cores, 25 GHz SerDes technology and low FinFET power, this processor supports up to 100 Gbit/s Ethernet and 50 Gbit/s security offload.

OVERVIEW

The LX2160A has everything needed for compute-intensive networking applications in a single chip. Sixteen 64-bit Armv8 A72 cores, high integration, and low power make it well-suited for applications that install datacenter-like processing into the highly-constrained power and board space budgets of networking equipment. An innovative caching structure stores packets on-chip until software is ready, minimizing external memory usage for lower latency, lower power, smaller footprint, and lower cost solutions. General-purpose processing capability is complemented with a 50 Gbit/s security engine and a 100 Gbit/s compression/compression engine. The wire rate I/O processor has 18 integrated MACs including dual 100 Gbit Ethernet ports and a 122 Gbit/s L2 switch. The LX2120A and LX2080A are pin-compatible family members that support 12 and 8 cores, respectively.

FEATURES

- 16 64-bit Armv8 Cortex-A72 CPU cores, running up to 2.2 GHz
- 16 MB cache
- 2 x DDR4 72b including ECC, to 3200 MT/s, maximum capacity of 256 GB
- 2 MB packet caching buffer
- 24 SerDes lanes, operating up to 25 GHz



- Up to 16 Ethernet ports
- Supported Ethernet speeds include 1, 2.5, 10, 25, 40, 50, and 100 Gbit/s
- 122 Gbit/s Layer 2 Ethernet switch
- Up to 24 PCIe Gen3 lanes, supporting six ports, as wide as x8
- 50 Gbit/s security accelerator
- 100 Gbit/s data compression/decompression engine
- 4 x SATA3.0
- Secure boot and Arm TrustZone technology
- SD, eMMC, 2 x DUART, 8 x I2C, 2 x USB3.0, 2 x CAN (FD optional)

TARGET APPLICATIONS

RELATED SOFTWARE

Processors

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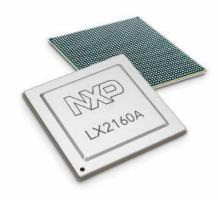
• Linux[®] SDK for Layerscape

CodeWarrior[®] Embedded Software

Development Tools for Armv8

64-bit based Layerscape Series

The LX2160A addresses traditional networking control and data plane, data center offload, 5G, industrial, and autonomous driving applications.



Application	Examples	Relevant Features	
Autonomous driving	 L2 - L4 compute engine Sensor data management Central connectivity hub 	 AEC Q100 Grade 3 to 105 °C Product longevity to 2035 < 10 FIT reliability CAN Flexible Datarate 	
White box switching	 Control plane for L2 switches in TOR and EOR applications Host VMs on the switch 	 50 Gbit/s IPsec offload Datacenter-friendly 25 GE ports	
Data center offload	 2x 25 Gbps Network Interface Card Control plane on FPGA-based NIC 	 PCIe x8 Gen3 with SR-IOV Low power due to FinFET process technology Data-center friendly 25 Gbit Ethernet ports 	
5G packet processing	 C-RAN Macro base station O-RAN Central Unit O-RAN Distributed Unit and Radio Units in conjunction with NXP LA1200 baseband processor. 	 PDCP, transport, MAC/RLC software 30 Gbit/s IPsec elephant flow 50 Gbit/s LTE Air crypto Hardware QoS Reference design with LA1200 baseband processor 	

LAYERSCAPE LX2160A BLOCK DIAGRAM

A72 72-bit DDR4 with ECC 1MB L2 Interconnect 8MB Platform Cache IO MMU IO MMU IO MMU IO MMU Secure Boot 2MB Packet Express Buffer SATA3 SATA3 Arm® TrustZone® x4 Gen3 PCle x8 Gen3 PCle x8 Gen3 PCle x4 Gen3 PCle x4 Gen3 PCle x4 Gen3 PCle WRIOP Power Management SEC - 50G SD/eMMC 72-bit DDR4 122 Gbit/s 1 / 2.5 / 10 / 25 / 40 / 50 / 100G Ethernet SATA3 SATA3 2 x DUART with ECC DCE - 100G 8 x I²C SPI, GPIO, JTAG 2 x USB3.0 + PHY QB-Man 24 lanes @ up to 25 GHz 2 x CAN-FD

LAYERSCAPE LX2 FAMILY MEMBERS

	LX2160A	LX2120A	LX2080A	
Cores	16	12	8	
L2 cache	8 MB	6 MB	8 MB	
SerDes	24 at up to 25 GHz			
PCle	6 x Gen3			
DDR	2 x DDR4, 3200 MT/s, 256 GB capacity			
Plat cache + PEB	10 MB			
WRIOP	122 Gbit/s L2 switch, supporting combinations of 16 ports of 1, 2.5, 10, 25, 40, 50 and 100 Gbit Ethernet			
SEC	50 Gbit/s			
DCE	100 Gbit/s			
Package	40 x 40 mm, 1517 pins			

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