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Explore the Compute Express Link™ (CXL™) Device Ecosystem and Usage Models

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CXL Overview

CXL Delivers the Right Features & Architecture

Challenges

Industry trends driving demand for faster data processing and next-gen data center performance

Increasing demand for heterogeneous computing and server disaggregation

Need for increased memory capacity and bandwidth

Lack of open industry standard to address next-gen interconnect challenges

CXL An open industry-supported cache-coherent interconnect for processors, memory expansion and accelerators

Coherent Interface

Leverages PCle[™] with 3 mix-and-match protocols

Low Latency

.Cache and .Memory targeted at near CPU cache coherent latency

Asymmetric Complexity

Eases burdens of cache coherent interface designs









Caching Devices / Accelerators







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- Memory BW expansio
- Memory capacity expansion
- Storage class memory





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Introduction and Applications of CXL Type-3 Memory Controllers

Heterogenous Computing with CXL-Attached Memory





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Technology Example: Leo Memory Connectivity Platform Unleashing AI/ML Performance and Reducing TCO with DDR5 for Cloud Computing

Features

Overview

- Type-3 CXL 1.1/2.0 device purpose-built for cloud scale deployment
- CXL interface up to 32 GT/s per lane, up to 16 lanes
- Multiple DDR5 channels to increase memory capacity up to 2TB
- Server-grade customizable RAS and software APIs to integrate with fleet management services
- Best-in-class security features to ensure end-toend data integrity and protection

Applications

 AI/ML Platform CPU-GPU Memory Expansion and Pooling use-cases



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CXL Type 3 Device

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Memory attached to a CXL device is mapped coherently to the system address space



CXL Type 3 Device – Memory Expansion



CXL enables systems to significantly scale memory capacity and bandwidth



Samsung Memory Expander



Form Factor – EDSFF (E3.S-2T)

CXL 2.0 Support

CXL Link Width - x8

Media - DDR5

Module Capacity – 128GB, 512GB

Maximum CXL Bandwidth – 32GB/s

Viral and Data Poisoning

Memory Error Injection

Multi-symbol ECC, Media scrubbing

Availability – Currently available for evaluation/testing



System Test Results





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CXL 2.0 Switch from Xconn Technologies

Xconn Technologies' CXL 2.0 Switch

World's First CXL 2.0 and PCIe 5.0 switch

2,048 GB/s total BW with 256 lanes



Lowest port-toport latency

Lowest power consumption/port

- XC50256 works with CXL 1.1 processors, CXL memory devices
- Future compatible with upcoming CXL 2.0 processors
- Also a PCIe 5.0 switch, works in hybrid mode (CXL/PCIe)
- Engineering samples available now



Scalable memory expansion enabled by CXL switch



- Assume each CXL memory device is 0.5 TB
- With a single XC50256 (30 DSPs), up to 15TB memory expansion
- With 4x XC50256, up to 60TB memory expansion



Scalable memory pooling enabled by CXL switch



- One single XC50256 connects up to 32 combined hosts/devices
- Fully support CXL Fabric Manager
- Support switch cascading, enable a larger scale fabric



Xconn CXL Switch Silicon and Reference Boards







CXL Memory Pooling POC





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CXL: Beyond the Connectivity



CXL: Extending and Expanding Device Pools

Resource Expansion in Single Socket Server



Resource Pooling in Single Chassis



JBOx in Disaggregated Rack



We are currently demonstrating these use cases in a CXL 1.1 compliant server 25 | © SNIA. All Rights Reserved.



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