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Revision History

Date	Revision	Description
July 2006	002	Updated compatibility reference and product specifications.
November 2005	001	Initial release.



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1.0 Product Context

Intel® IXP400 Software v2.3 enables the underlying capabilities of the Intel® IXP4XX Product Line of Network Processors.

Table 1. Intel® IXP400 Software v2.3 Compatibility Reference

Support Category	Details
Processors supported	Intel® IXP42X Product Line of Network Processors Intel® IXP45X and Intel® IXP46X Product Line of Network Processors
Operating system/ development environments	Montavista* Linux* Professional Edition v4.0 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gcc compiler Windriver* VxWorks* Workbench 2.4 (VxWorks 6.2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gcc compiler [IXDP425 BSP version 2.0/15, IXDP465 BSP version 2.0/3] • Windriver compiler v5.3 [IXDP425 BSP version 2.0/15, IXDP465 BSP version 2.0/3]
Hardware platform support	Intel® IXDP425 Development Platform Intel® IXDP465 Development Platform

2.0 Product Specifications

This section presents features supported by Intel® IXP400 Software v2.3.

Basic Features

- Processor-specific build mechanism
- Read and/or disable Intel® IXP4XX product line processors capabilities
- Configurable enabling and disabling of software features
- Facility to download Intel® microcode images to NPEs
 - NPE A image options
 - * Ethernet, HSS, ATM, DMA,
 - NPE B image options
 - * Ethernet, DMA
 - NPE C image options
 - * Ethernet, DMA, Crypto
- Coexistence of services on NPE A (only one combination is possible at a time) (IXP455 and IXP46X product line only)
 - ATM + HSS
 - * Supports only channelized services (on HSS Port 0 only)
 - * Supports up to 16 voice channels, two pairs of HSS bypass channels (on HSS Port 0 only)
 - * Supports up to four ports on the UTOPIA level-2 interfaces
 - Ethernet + HSS
 - * Supports only channelized services (on HSS Port 0 only)
 - * Supports up to 32 voice channels, two pairs of HSS bypass channels (on HSS Port 0 only)
 - * Intel does not support three Ethernet ports in conjunctions with HSS services while using Windriver* VxWorks
- Coexistence of services in NPE C
 - Ethernet + Crypto



ATM Access

- AAL (AAL5, AALO, OAM)
- Configure and activate up to 12 ports on the UTOPIA level-2 interface
- Up to 32 VC channels supported
- ATM configuration and management component
- Configurable PCR for CBR and UBR at run time

ATM Transmit Scheduler (Tx)

- Maximum number of VCs: Up to 32 on device at any time
- Traffic types
 - Number of traffic types: 4
 - Traffic prioritization in normal operation: CBR > rt-VBR = nrt-VBR > UBR
 - Additional QoS support on oversubscription; traffic prioritization changed to: CBR > rt-VBR > nrt-VBR > UBR
 - CDVT not supported
- Applicable conditions
 - PCR for all types
 - SCR and MBS for rt-VBR and nrt-VBR
- Virtual Channel setup
 - Up to 12 ports and 32 VCs across all 12 ports of any supported traffic type (CBR, rt-VBR, nrt-VBR or UBR)

Security

- Silicon Crypto algorithms enabled for use via software:
 - DES (64-bit block, 64-bit key)
 - 3DES (64-bit block, 192-bit key)
 - AES (128-bit block, 128/192/256-bit key)
 - ARC-4 (8-bit block, 128-bit key)
- Encryption modes of operation:
 - ECB
 - CBC
 - CTR (For AES only)
 - AES-CCM
- Silicon Crypto Authentication algorithms enabled for use via software:
 - SHA1 and MD5 hashing
 - HMAC-SHA1 (512-bit block size, from 20- to 64-byte key sizes)
 - HMAC-MD5 (512-bit block size, from 16- to 64-byte key sizes)
 - WEP ICV (32-bit CRC polynomial)
- Silicon Public Key Exchange (PKE) crypto engine enabled via Intel XScale® technology [IXP45X/IXP46X product line only]:
 - Pseudo Random Number generator
 - Exponent/Modulo Arithmetic Unit



- SHA1 hashing (supports PKE)

DMA

- DMA capabilities to offload data transfers between peripherals and processor memory
- Transfer-mode support
 - Copy only, Copy and Clear Source, Copy and Byte Swap, Copy and Byte Reverse
- Source and Destination Transfer Widths
 - Burst, 8-bit, 16-bit, 32-bit

Ethernet Access

- Enabled additional MII via NPE-A [IXP45X/IXP46X product line only]
 - Total MIIs enabled: 3; SMII mode is not validated
- Note:** NPE-A does not support simultaneous use of Eth and HSS features.
- APIs provisioning for data, control, and management support of Ethernet MAC devices
- Ethernet MIB statistics, tracking and reporting
 - RFC1213 (SNMP) and RFC1757 (RMON)
- IEEE 802.1d-compliant bridge
- Jumbo frame support — up to 16,320 bytes
- IPv4/IPv6 frame indication
- NPE-assisted Source MAC address-learning
 - Each NPE can manage up to 511 MAC addresses

Ethernet Receive Path Services

- Filtering Services
 - * Frame size filtering services
 - * Ethernet filtering database services
 - * Destination MAC address filtering
- Destination port identification
- Spanning tree services
 - Spanning tree BPDU identification and delivery
 - Spanning tree port blocking
- Learning and Aging Services (NPE-assisted)
 - Source MAC address learning assistance
 - MAC address aging assistance
- Categorization of IPv4/IPv6 ingress packet (NPE-assisted)
- VLAN ingress services (NPE-assisted)
 - Acceptable frame type filtering
 - ID copy
 - VLAN tagging/untagging
 - VLAN tagging/untagging extended to support 802.11 frames (Wi-Fi)
 - Filtering
 - Port ID extraction
- Firewall services
 - Invalid source MAC address filtering
 - MAC address/mask blocking
 - MAC address/mask admission



- (NPE-assisted) IEEE802.3 to IEEE802.11 header conversion
 - User-configurable IEEE802.3 to IEEE802.11 conversion
 - Support for 40 BSSID entries
 - Support for 40 Access Point MAC entries
 - Support for inserting Pad byte
 - Logical destination port ID support
- Miscellaneous frame inspection/extraction services
 - Destination and source MAC address copy
 - Frame header type report
- Receive QoS services
 - Receive QoS configuration
 - Receive QoS classification and delivery

Ethernet Transmit Path Services

- Transmit QoS service
 - * Priority-based
- Frame size filtering services
- IEEE802.11 to IEEE802.3 header conversion
 - * Support for removing Pad byte
- VLAN egress services
 - * VLAN egress filtering
 - * VLAN egress ID-based tagging/untagging
 - * Support for Wi-Fi header conversion
 - * VLAN tagging/untagging extended to support 802.11 frames (Wi-Fi)

Ethernet PHY

- Provides access to a minimum number of necessary configuration registers on external Ethernet PHYs
- MDIO bus scanning for up to 32 available PHYs
- Configure PHY link speed, half/full duplex, and auto-negotiation settings
- Retrieve PHY status and link state
- Supported PHYs
 - Intel® LXT971 Fast Ethernet Transceiver
 - Intel® LXT972 Fast Ethernet Transceiver
 - Intel® LXT973 Fast Ethernet Transceiver
 - Micrel Semiconductor* / Kendin* KS8995 5-port 10/100 switch with PHY
 - Realtek* RTL8305SB 5-port 10/100 switch with PHY

Note: Other PHYs may be supported (user-upgradeable).

HSS-Access Layer

Note: NPE-A does not support simultaneous use of Eth and HSS features.

- Provides API for T1/E1 and high-speed serial services
- NPE-assisted timeslot switching (HSS Bypass)
 - Voice-switched within NPE and bypasses Intel XScale processor
 - Bypass mode can be enabled on the fly
 - "Gain control" lookup table for each bypass channel
 - Provide a maximum of two pairs of bypassed channels on port 0 at any one time



- Timeslot provisioning
 - Static timeslot provisioning
 - Limit of one multi-timeslot packetized channel per T1/E1
- Channel Processing
 - Bit inversion on a per-channel basis
 - Packetized N x 64Kbps channels from any TDM stream [where 1 <= N <= 32]; a channel may not span multiple T1/E1s
 - Packetized (N x 56Kbps with CAS bit) channels from any TDM stream [where 1 <= N <= 32]; a channel may not span multiple T1/E1s
 - Channelized Service (64 Kbps only)
- Channel Data Processing Services
 - Transparent (Raw) service for packetized channels without frame alignment
- Basic T1/E1
 - One packetized N x 64 Kbps or N x 56 Kbps channel per T1/E1, for up to eight T1/E1s; four channels per HSS port
 - Sixty-four non-packetized 64-Kbps channels, 32 channels per HSS port

Performance Profiling [IXP42X product line only]

- Not supported in this release.

UART Access

- Baud rates between 9,600 and 912.6 Kbps
- 16550 UART support
- Independent UART configuration support

USB 1.1 Device Access

- Sixteen endpoints
- Half-duplex at a 12-Mbps baud rate, slave only

Additional Interfaces Support

- Inter-Integrated Circuit (I²C) Access support [IXP45X/IXP46X product line only]
- Synchronous Serial Port (SSP) Access support [IXP45X/IXP46X product line only]
- IEEE1588 Time Synchronization (TSYNC) support [IXP46X product line only]

Parity Error Notification Access

- PCI-Parity and parity error detection support [IXP45X/IXP46X product line only]
- ECC [IXP46X product line only]
- Ethernet NPE Parity Error Handling and Recovery [IXP45X/IXP46X product line only]



