

REPTAR Development Board

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1. INTRODUCTION

REPTAR is a modular extensible platform for teaching and R&D in the HES-SO and beyond...

■ TEACHING

REPTAR is a Universal board for workshops, courses in computer architecture and embedded processor-based systems. The REPTAR platform allows federating various laboratories by providing a common platform.

REPTAR combines an OMAP processor type (which itself consists of a core-A8 ARM and a DSP) with a programmable component (FPGA) Xilinx Spartan 6. The platform also includes a large number of control devices, display and communication. Modular in design, it offers many possibilities for expansion.

From a programming perspective, the workshops can be done in different ways:

- Development at the application level or in the processor core with OS or RTOS without use of the FPGA.
- Development in the processor without embedded OS and without use of the FPGA
- Application Development in the FPGA without CPU usage
- Mix development using the processor and the FPGA

■ RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

REPTAR is a development platform suitable for many research projects, useful to avoid the realization of a dedicated prototyping, debugging or demonstration board.

2. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

REPTAR is a board that offers the opportunity to customize your development environment via many expansion connectors, I/O and daughter cards.

The REPTAR board is made of two boards:

- The CPU and the FPGA board

The FPGA board is considered as the mainboard of the REPTAR system. All the power supplies are located on this board. The CPU board is then considered as a daughter card for the system itself.

2.1 BLOCK DIAGRAM

The figure below shows a functional block diagram of the REPTAR board.

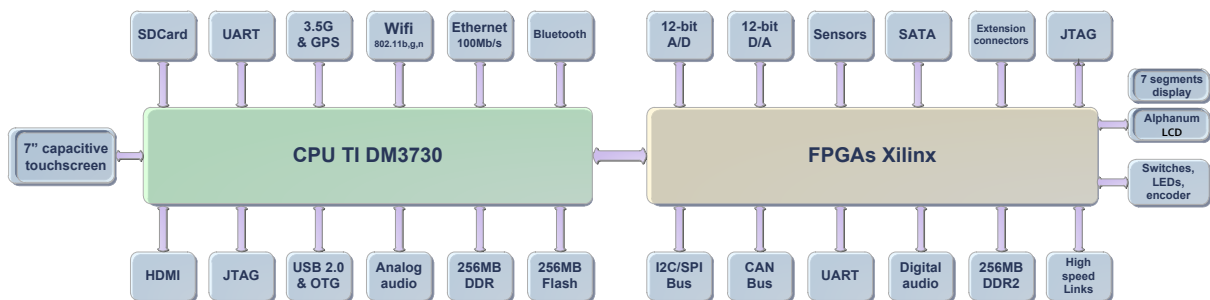


Figure 1 - REPTAR bloc diagram

This illustration shows the complexity of the REPTAR system. Not less than 28 peripherals are present on it. These peripherals will be described in the next chapters.

2.2 BOARD COMPONENTS BLOCKS

- **Processor module** DM3730 based on Cortex-A8 (compatible with OMAP 3 series)
 - 1 GHz operating frequency
 - 256MB of DDR memory
 - 256MB of flash memory
 - SDcard interface
 - Display interface for TFT / HDMI output
 - UART/I2C/SPI interfaces
 - 100Mbit Ethernet interface
 - 16 bit linear audio stereo DAC/ADC
 - MIC and Line In & Out
 - USB 2.0 Host and OTG interfaces
 - Capacitive touch screen interface
- **FPGA** Xilinx Spartan6
 - XC6SLX150TFGG900-3
 - 147'443 Logic elements
 - 184'304 Flip-flop
 - 1'335Kbit of distributed RAM
 - 4'824Kbit of Blocks RAM
 - 180 DSP slices (18x18 multiplier, adder, acc)
 - 4 MCB (Memory Controller Blocks)
 - 8 Transceivers (GTP) @ 3GHz
 - 6 PLLs
 - 540 user IOs
- **Configuration subsystem**
 - Xilinx Spartan3 AN XC3S200AN-5FTG256C
 - Used for Board monitoring and bus arbitration
 - Used for Spartan6 download from the DM3730
 - 4Mb of Integrated flash for bitstream storage
 - 195 user IOs
 - 4'032 Logic cells
 - Xilinx PlatformFlash XCF32P
 - Stores up to 4 compressed bitstreams for Spartan6
 - 14-pin JTAG header for Spartan6, PlatformFlash and FMC
 - 14-pin JTAG header for Spartan3
 - On-board programming module JTAG SMT1 from Digilent
 - Uses a standard Type-A to micro-USB cable to connect with the PC
 - Can be accessed directly from all Xilinx Tools (Impact, Chipscope, etc.)

- **Display interfaces**
 - EDT 7" display with capacitive touch screen
 - 800 x 480
 - I2C for touch
 - HDMI video output
 - LCD display
 - 4 x 20 lines
 - 7-segments
- **Memory subsystem**
 - External DDR2 SDRAM device (on Spartan6 FPGA)
 - 256MB
 - 800 MHz
 - Parallel Flash memory (on CPU module)
 - 256MB
 - DDR SDRAM device (on CPU module)
 - 256MB
 - 400 MHz
 - SD card interface (on CPU module)
- **Clock management system**
 - One 150MHz (for SATA subsystem)
 - One 125MHz (for PCIe subsystem)
 - One 100MHz for Spartan6 internal logic
 - One 100MHz for Spartan3AN internal logic
 - One slow clock at 25MHz for both Spartan6 and Spartan3 internal logic
 - The Spartan6 FPGA distributes the following clocks from its internal PLLs :
 - External DDR2 memory
 - PCIe interface
 - SATA interface
- **Wired and Wireless communication subsystem**
 - 100Mbit Ethernet feature (on CPU module)
 - WIFI & Bluetooth Module TiWi-R2 from LS-Research
 - IEEE 802.11 b/g/n compatible
 - BT 2.1 compatible
 - Texas Instrument WL1271WSP Transceiver
 - GPS & GSM Module Ericsson F3607gw
 - PCI Express mini card full size module
 - HSPA, UMTS, EDGE, GPRS and GSM networks
 - GPS and SMS capabilities

- **Expansion connectors**

- Two FMC LPC connectors
 - Provides 34 differential lines or 68 single-ended signals each
 - It also provides one serial high speed differential pair, clocks, a JTAG Interface and an I2C interface
- One DHB DDK connector
 - Provides 78 GPIOs signals from Spartan6 FPGA

- **General User Interface**

All these components are located either on the CPU or on the FPGA board and provide an easy way to debug all user designs.

- LEDs and buttons
- Mictor connector (FPGA SP6)
- Mictor connector (FPGA SP3)
- 16-pin and 8-pin header connectors
- Reset buttons (CPU and FPGA)

- **Serial interfaces**

All these interfaces are connecting the CPU, FPGA and various sensors together.

- I2C
- SPI
- CAN

- **Audio subsystem**

- 16 bit audio stereo analog (on CPU)
 - One mini jack line In
 - One mini jack line Out (pre-amp)
 - One jack Microphone
- Digital audio (on FPGA)
 - One Toslink receiver
 - One Toslink transmitter

- **USB subsystem**

- 6 Host connectors
- 1 OTG connector
- 1 USB-UART connection direct to FPGA
- 1 USB-UART connection direct to CPU for debugging

- **High speed links**

- Three SMB connectors provide access to the high speed transceivers of the Spartan6
 - One differential input
 - One differential output
 - One reference input clock

- A PCIe connection between Spartan6 and CPU board ¹
 - Provides 2 lanes
 - Internal or external reference clock
- A SATA 1 link between Spartan6 and CPU board ^{1,2}
- An external SATA 1 connector from Spartan6 ²

- **Sensors and actuators**
 - Temperature sensor
 - Light sensor
 - Buzzer
 - Incremental encoder
 - Accelerometer

- **AD & DA converters**
 - 12-bit ADC
 - Quad channels
 - SPI interface
 - Single 3V-to-5V power supply
 - 12-bit DAC
 - Quad channels
 - 1 MHz sample rate
 - SPI interface
 - Analog Supply Range: 2.7 to 5.25V
 - Digital Supply Range: 1.7 to 5.25 V

¹ Not available on CPU board revision 1.1 and older

² Require a third party vendor IP – not provided by the REDS

3. BOARD COMPONENTS AND INTERFACES

3.1 BOARD OVERVIEW

Chapter 3 provides operational and connectivity details for the board's major components and interfaces and is divided into the following blocks:

- Main devices
 - DM3730 CPU module
 - Spartan 6
 - Spartan 3AN
- Display
 - TFT 7" with capacitive touch screen
- Memory
 - DDR/DDR2
 - Flash
 - SDcard
- Communications
 - USB interface
 - High-speed serial interfaces
 - Expansion connectors
- General user interfaces
 - Jumpers
 - Connectors
 - Buttons
- Sensors and Actuators
- AD & DA
- Audio
 - Analogic
 - Digital
- Clocking circuitry
- Configuration circuitry
- Debugging
 - Mictor and header connectors
 - JTAG
 - UART
- Power supply

3.1.1 FPGA board overview

The picture below shows where are located all the different functionalities described in the following chapters.

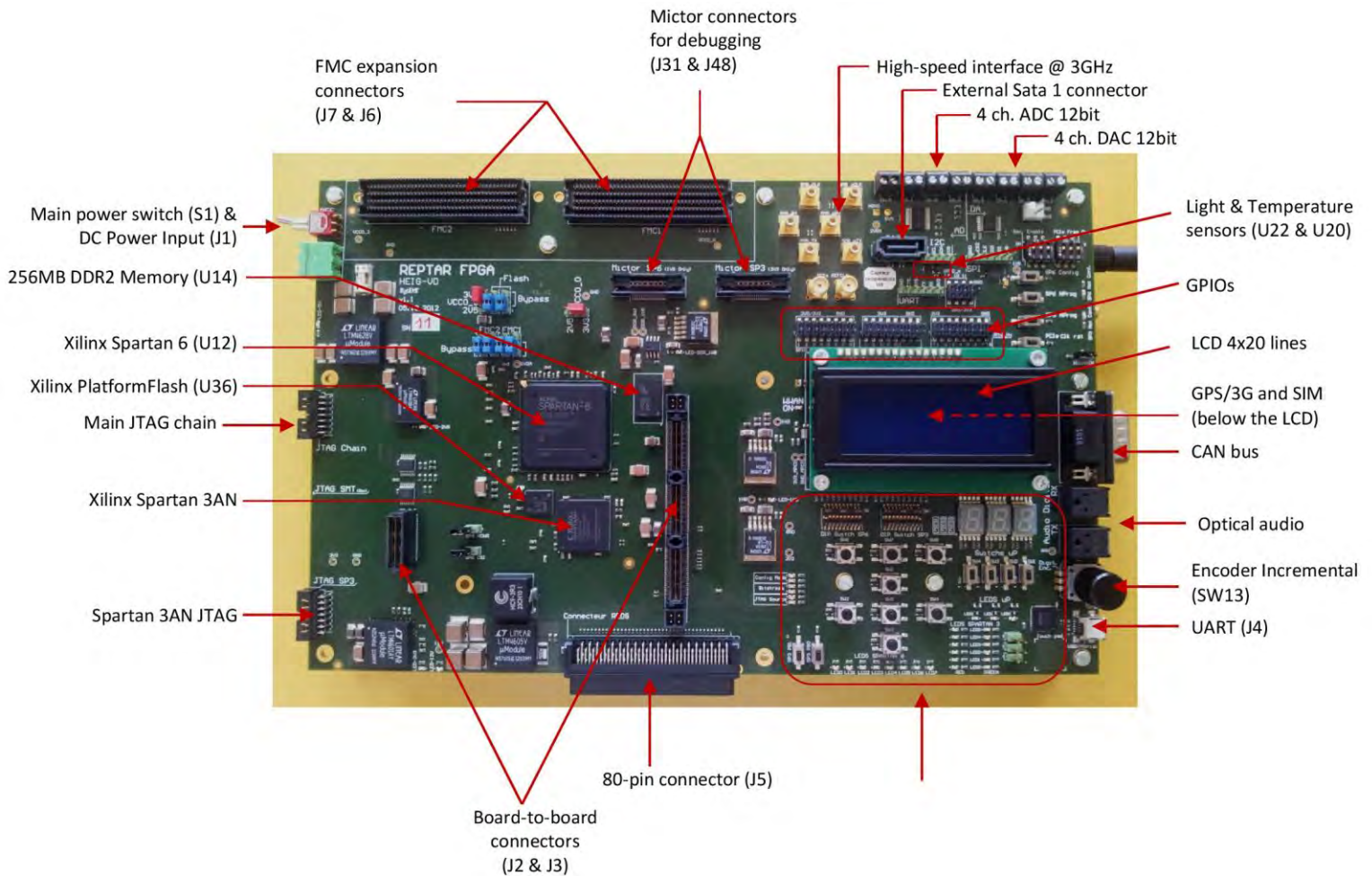


Figure 2 - FPGA Board details

3.2 COMPONENTS AND FUNCTIONALITIES

The table below describes a summary of the main components and their functionalities.

Type	Components / Interfaces	Schematic Reference	Description	Board Location
Main devices				
FPGA	Xilinx Spartan6 XC6SLX150TFGG900-3	U12	Provides computation power and access to peripherals of the board. Linked to the CPU local bus	FPGA
FPGA	Xilinx Spartan 3AN XC3S200AN-5FTG256C	U29	Used to configure the Spartan6 from either the CPU or the on-board PlatformFlash. Linked to the CPU local bus	FPGA
Processor	Module Variscite VAR-SOM-OM37	U1	Package 200 pins SODIMM. Based on a TI DM3730 (Cortex A8). Linked to all the FPGAs through its local bus	CPU
Display				
Display	EDT ETM070001ADH6	J6/J11	7" Capacitive touch screen. 800 x 480 pixels with white leds for the backlight <i>(Possibility to use a resistive touch screen in replacement of the capacitive one)</i>	CPU
HDMI Out	•HDMI connector •TI PanelBus Transmitter	J8 U6	•Allow to connect an HD TV in parallel of the 7" LCD display •Convert the RGB bus of the CPU into a DVI compliant interface.	CPU
Display	LCD alpha-numeric	DS1	Provide 4x20 characters. Driven by the Spartan6.	FPGA
Memory				
DDR sdram	256MB	Module Variscite	Run @ 400MHz. Only accessible by the processor.	CPU
Flash	256MB	Module Variscite	Only accessible by the processor. Used to store the processor code and FPGA bitstreams.	CPU
SD card	Molex Secure Digital con. 500998-0900	U10	Provide an alternate storage memory for the processor code (OS, File system ...). Accessible at the boot of the CPU.	CPU
DDR2 sdram	Micron 16MBx16x8banks MT47H128M16RT-25E:C	U14	Run @ 800MHz. Wired to the Spartan6. Provide a fast and large external storage memory.	FPGA
Communications				
I/O	•3x double USB Host type A •SMSC USB2517 USB HUB	J50,51,52 U14	•These connectors are linked to the High speed USB 2.0 controller of the CPU module through an on-board USB HUB from SMSC. This HUB offers 7 high-speed ports. •They provide access to various peripherals (mouse, keyboard, webcam ...).	CPU

Type	Components / Interfaces	Schematic Reference	Description	Board Location
I/O	1x mini USB OTG	J48	Directly connected to the USB 2.0 OTG controller of the CPU module.	CPU
I/O	Ethernet 100Mb	J13	The Ethernet functionality is natively supported by CPU module. Only the connector is located on the CPU board.	CPU
Wifi / Bluetooth	•LS Research Tiwi-R2 module	U20	•The Tiwi module is offering Wifi and Bluetooth functionalities. It supports 802.11 b/g/n speed and BT 2.1. It is directly connected to the CPU module.	CPU
	•SMA connector	J14	•An SMA connector provides antenna connection for both Wifi and Bluetooth communications.	
3G / GPS	•Ericsson F5321GW module	J10	This module provides access to 3.5G protocols and to a GPS system. This is a mini PCI Express form factor module. It is connected to the HUB U14.	FPGA
	•SIM card con.	P200	The SIM card is directly managed by the Ericsson module itself.	
High-speed links	Spartan6 transceivers	P3 – P8	Provides 3GHz links from Spartan6 transceivers through differential pairs connected to SMB connectors.	FPGA
PCIe links	Spartan6 transceivers	---	Provides two PCI Express lanes between the Spartan6 and the CPU board. PCI reference clock is coming from an on-board reference oscillator or could be driven directly from the CPU board. <i>(This functionality is not available on the current CPU board.)</i>	FPGA - CPU
SATA links	Spartan6 transceivers	J32	Provides one SATA 1 connection between the Spartan6 and the CPU board. <i>(This functionality is not available on the current CPU board.)</i> In addition, a second link is available through an external SATA connector (J32). <i>(This connection is third vendor IP dependent and not provided by the REDS)</i>	FPGA - CPU
Expansion	Samtec FMC LPC	J6, J7	Provides 34 differential lines or 68 single-ended signals per FMC connectors. I2c, clocks, jtag and power are provided as well. They are linked directly to the Spartan6.	FPGA
Expansion	DDK DHB 80 pin	J5	Provides 78 GPIOs (and 2 GND). Mainly used to connect to REDS proprietary boards	FPGA
General user interfaces				
User buttons	Spartan3AN User Button	SW13, SW14	Provides user dedicated buttons to the Spartan3AN.	FPGA
Jumpers	FTDI Jumper eeprom	W11, W12, W13	Disconnect Eeprom U9 from FTDI chip U8 when removed.	FPGA ³

³ Only available on version 1.0 or later of the Reptar board

Type	Components / Interfaces	Schematic Reference	Description	Board Location
Connector	I2C connector	W2	Provide access to the on-board I2C bus from CPU.	FPGA – CPU
Connector	SPI connector	W3	Provide access to the on-board SPI bus from CPU.	FPGA – CPU
Connector	UART connector	W6	Can be used to provide access to an UART bus implemented in the FPGA or by a user application on the CPU through the local bus.	FPGA
Connector	CAN bus	J45, U27	Provide a compliant CAN bus connection to/from the Spartan6.	FPGA
Switch	Spartan6 user switch	S4	Provides a user dedicated 10 positions switch to the Spartan6. Position 1 is reserved for local bus output enable.	FPGA
Switch	Spartan3 user switch	S7	Positions 5 to 7 are user dedicated switches. Positions 2, 3 and 8 to 10 are reserved for configuration modes. Position 1 is reserved for local bus output enable.	FPGA
Buttons	Spartan6 user buttons	SW1 to SW8	Provides 8x user dedicated buttons to the Spartan6.	FPGA ⁴
Leds	Spartan6 user leds	D21 to D28	Provides 8x user dedicated leds from the Spartan6.	FPGA ⁴
Buttons	CPU user buttons	SW9 to SW12	Provides 4x user dedicated buttons to the CPU	FPGA ⁴
Leds	CPU user leds	D18 to D20	Provides 3x user dedicated leds from the CPU	FPGA ⁴
Buttons	CPU user buttons	SW1 to SW5	Provides 5x user dedicated buttons to the CPU	CPU ⁴
Leds	CPU user leds	D2, D3, D11, D14	Provides 3x user dedicated leds from the CPU	CPU ⁴
Sensors and Actuators				
Sensor	Temperature	U20	Provide temperature measure (I2C link)	FPGA
Sensor	Light	U22	Provide luminosity measure (I2C link)	FPGA
Sensor	Accelerometer	U21	Provide acceleration measure (SPI link)	FPGA
Button	Incremental Encoder	SW15	---	FPGA
Buzzer	TDK Magnetic buzzer	U28	---	FPGA
AD & DA				
ADC	Analog Device ADS7950	U25, J33, J34, J35, J36	12bit, 4 channels analog-to-digital converter. It is connected to 4x two pins screw terminals.	FPGA
DAC	Analog Device AD7398	U26, J41, J42, J43, J44	12bit, 4 channels digital-to-analog converter. It is connected to 4x two pins screw terminals.	FPGA
Audio				
Digital	Toshiba Toslink	J31, J40	Provide I/O optical audio links to the Spartan6	FPGA

⁴ Partially available on version 0.1 / Fully available on version 1.0 or later

Type	Components / Interfaces	Schematic Reference	Description	Board Location
Analog Line IN	1x Jack connector	J2	Audio IN to the CPU.	CPU
Preamp. Line OUT	1x Jack connector	J3	Audio OUT from the CPU.	CPU
MIC Line	1x Jack connector	J1	MIC Line to the CPU.	CPU
Clocking Circuitry				
100MHz	Main Spartan6 oscillator	Y3	Used to clock internal logic of the Spartan6. It is used to drive the FPGA internal PLLs.	FPGA
100MHz	Main Spartan3AN oscillator	Y5	Used to clock internal logic of the Spartan3AN.	FPGA
25MHz	Common oscillator to Spartan6 and Saprtan3	Y2	Optional slow clock.	FPGA
125MHz	Dedicated PCIe oscillator	U23	Provide standard clock for the dedicated transceiver PLL used for the PCI Express interface.	FPGA
150MHz	Dedicated SATA oscillator	Y4	Provide standard clock for the dedicated transceiver PLL used for the SATA interface.	FPGA
Configuration circuitry				
Configuration	Xilinx XCF32P PlatformFlash	U36	Used to store up to 4 compressed bit-streams for the FPGA Spartan6. Could be used in Slave or Master modes. Programmable through the main JTAG chain	FPGA
Mode switch	JTAG source selector	S7	Wired to the SP3. Position 2 selects the JTAG source for the main chain (ON: header, OFF: SMT). Position 3 must be always ON.	FPGA
Mode switch	Spartan6 configuration mode	S7	Wired to the SP3. Position 4 selects the bitstream source for the SP6 (ON: platform Flash, OFF: CPU).	FPGA
Mode switch	Spartan3AN modes selector	S7	Positions 8 to 10 select the configuration mode of the Spartan3AN.	FPGA
Button	Spartan6 Reconfiguration	S9	Used to reload the Spartan6 bitstream	FPGA
LED	Spartan6 ConfDone	D30	If on, the Spartan6 is not configured	FPGA
Button	Spartan3AN Reconfiguration	S8	Used to reload the Spartan3AN bitstream	FPGA
LED	Spartan3AN ConfDone	D49	If on, the Spartan3AN is not configured	FPGA
Jumper	Spartan6 CSI	W17	Used to disconnect Chip Select functionality (for readback feature) when removed.	FPGA ³
Jumper	Spartan6 RDWR	W16	Used to disconnect readback functionality when removed.	FPGA ³
Jumper	Spartan6 VCCO_0 HSWAPEN	P1	Disable pull-ups while the Spartan6 is not configured when removed	FPGA
Jumpers	JTAG chain	W7, W8,	Taken by two, they allow bypassing FMC2	FPGA ³

Type	Components / Interfaces	Schematic Reference	Description	Board Location
	selector	W9, W10, W14, W15	or FMC1 or PlatformFlash respectively, when in position 2-3.	
JTAG Mux	JTAG source selection	U30, U32	Allow to choose between the JTAG 14 pins connector and the Digilent SMT USB JTAG emulator as the source of the main JTAG chain. This mux is driven by the Spartan3AN.	FPGA
Debug connectors				
Headers	2x 16 pins headers	J38, J39	Provides debug means for the Spartan6.	FPGA
Headers	1x 16 pins headers	J8	Provides debug means for the Spartan6.	FPGA
Headers	1x 8 pins headers	W1	Provides debug means for the Spartan6.	FPGA
Mictor	1x 38 pins Mictor	J31	Provides debug means for the Spartan6.	FPGA
Mictor	1x 38 pins Mictor	J48	Provides debug means for the Spartan3AN.	FPGA
Console	• 1x CP2103 UART to USB interface • 1x Mini-USB connector	U11, J43	Linux console access via a Mini-USB connector.	CPU
JTAG	1x JTAG TI connector	J29	Provides debug means for the CPU.	CPU
Headers	1x 8 pins header	W1	Provides debug means for the CPU.	CPU
Power supply				
LED	Power LED	D51, D50, D53, D54, D52, D55	When on, indicated good power state for 5V, 2V5, 3V3, 12V, 1V8 and DDR2_1V8	FPGA ³
Jumper	Spartan6 VCCO_0 power selector	W4	Allow to power Spartan6 bank 0 from 2V5 or 3V3.	FPGA
Jumper	Spartan6 VCCO_3 power selector	W5	Allow to power Spartan6 bank 3 from 2V5 or 3V3.	FPGA ³
LED	Power LED	D10, D12, D13, D20	When on, indicated good power state for 1V8, 3V3, 5V and 12V	CPU
Jumper	CPU VIO source selector	W2	Choose VIO 1V8 source from FPGA board or COM Module internal regulator	CPU
Power RTC	CR1225	X1	3V battery for RTC	CPU

Table 1 - Components & Functionalities details

3.3 USB INTERFACE

The USB sub-system of the REPTAR board is located onto the CPU board.

The CPU module from Variscite provides two USB 2.0 high-speed controllers. One is a HOST controller and the other is an OTG controller.

The OTG is directly linked to a mini OTG connector, whereas the HOST is attached to a USB HUB 7 ports.

- 6 ports are directly linked to double USB A connectors.
- The remaining port is used to connect, through the BTB⁵ connectors, the 3G/GPS module located on the FPGA board.

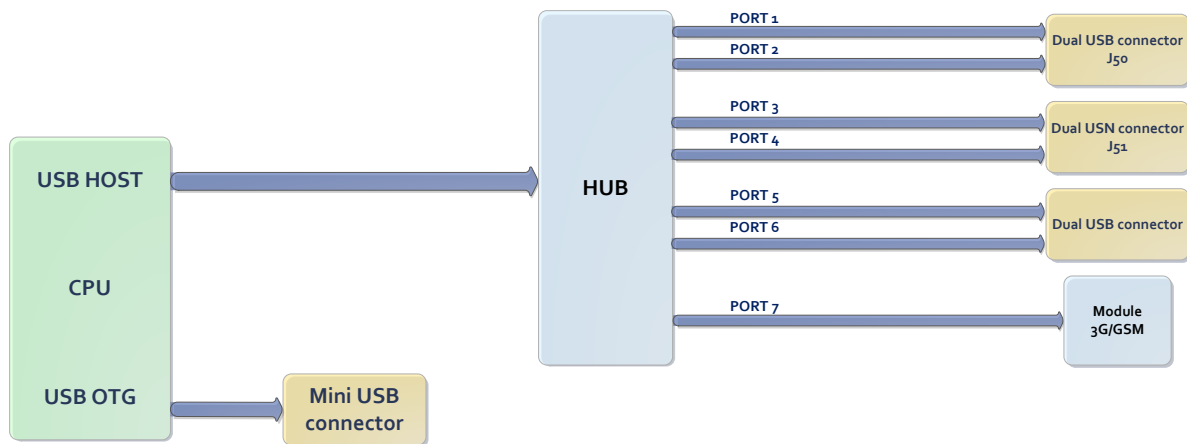


Figure 4 - USB Sub-system

⁵ Board-To-Board connectors used to link the CPU and the FPGA boards together.

3.4 CLOCKING CIRCUITRY

The REPTAR board's clocking circuitry is designed to be simple and easy to use.

Two separate 100MHz oscillators are used to drive the clocking trees of the Spartan6 and the Spartan3AN.

A slow oscillator at 25MHz is available for both FPGAs.

Separate oscillators provide stable references for the Spartan6 device's phase-locked loops (PLLs). These dedicated PLLs are used to distribute the PCI Express (125MHz), SATA (150MHz) and DDR2 MCB block clocks (the last one is not illustrated below).

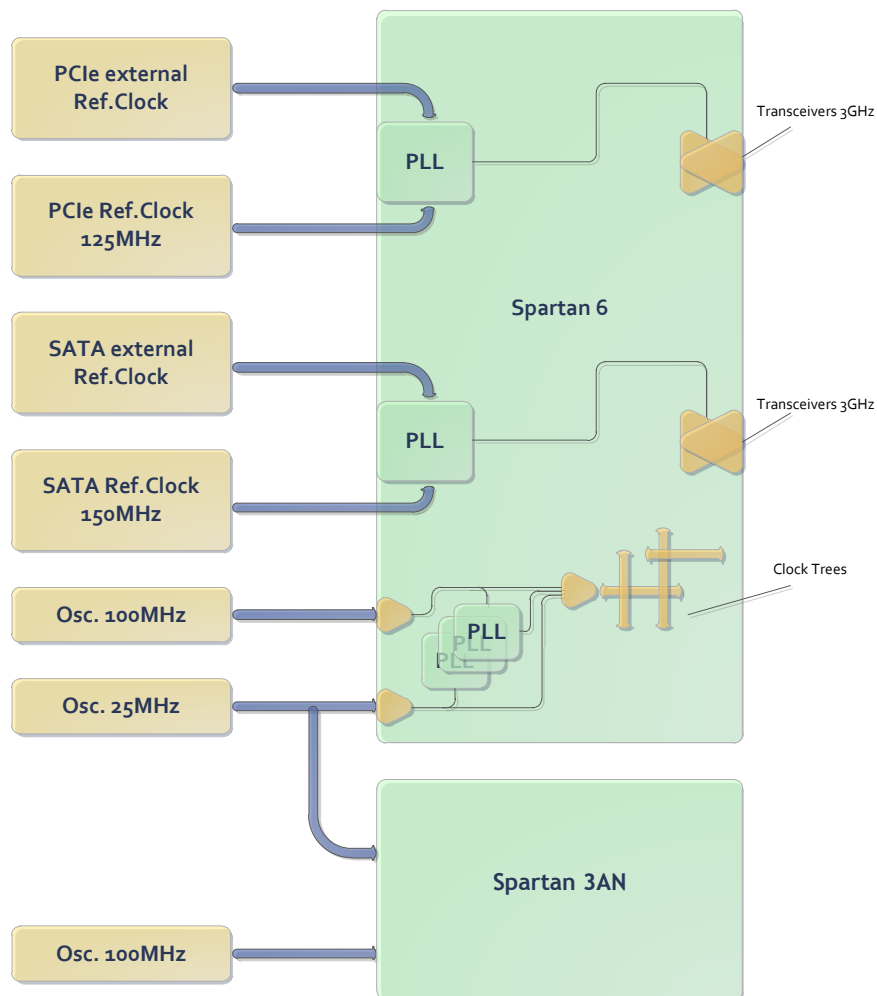


Figure 5 – Spartan6 Clocks sub-system

emulators. The connector on the board is a 20-pins header of type TI compact (1.27 mm of pitch).

4. DIMENSIONS

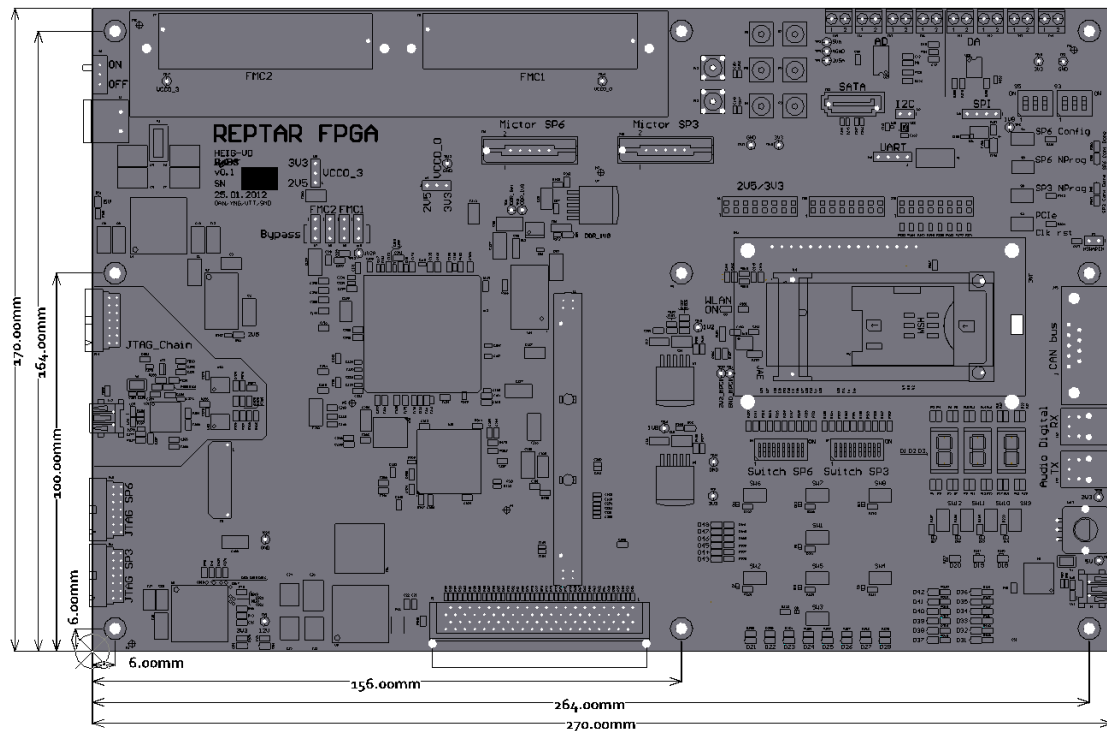


Figure 7 - FPGA Board dimensions

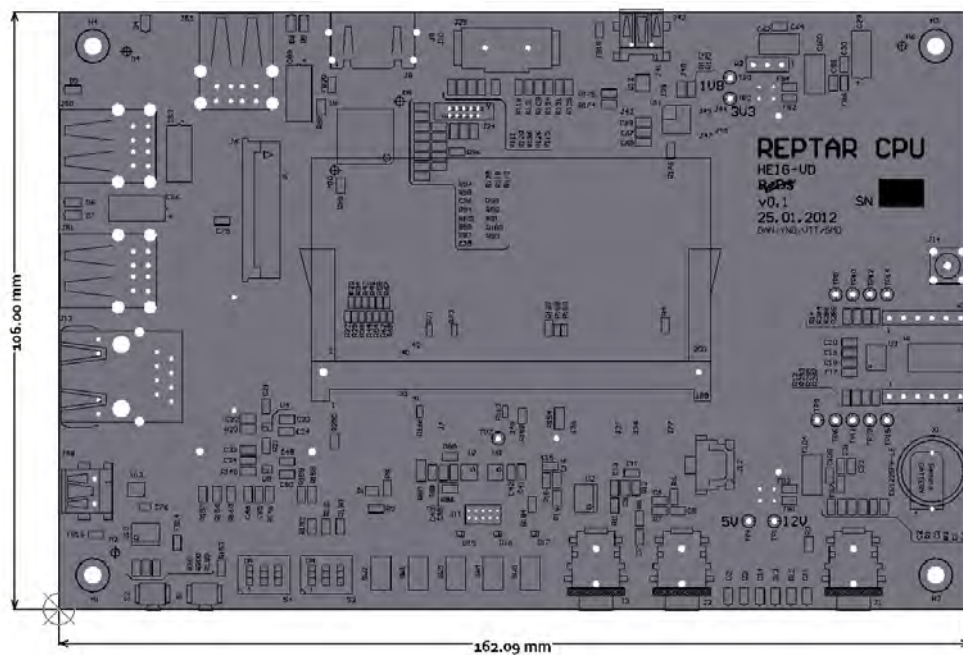


Figure 8 - CPU Board dimensions

This side view shows from bottom to top:

- Plexiglas Support
- FPGA mainboard
- CPU board
- 7" display (at 45°)

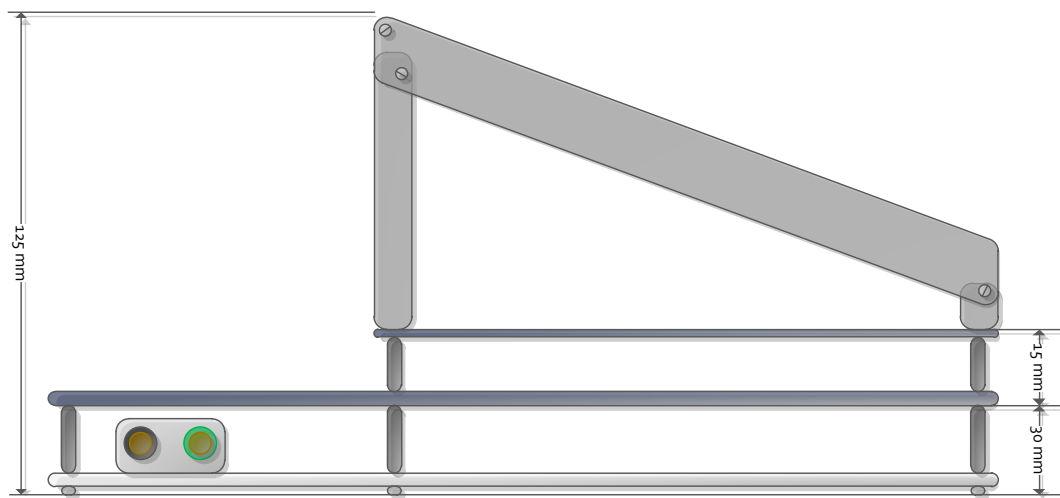


Figure 9 - REPTAR Board side view

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

6.1 REVISION HISTORY

Chapter	Date	Version	Changes Made
All	June 2012	1.0	▪ First publication.
2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.5	Sept 2013	1.1	▪ Updated images and tables. ▪ Completed descriptions

Table 2 - Revision History

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