

## DATA SHEET

# HPx-450 **Primary Radar Acquisition**



### Features:

- High performance primary radar acquisition card
- · XMC form factor for hosting on SBC
- · Dual radar inputs, two sets of:
  - Analogue video

  - TriggerACP/ARP
- Independent sampling on each channel
- Dual independent sampling on the same
- Dual redundancy support (auto-switch across channels)
- 125 MHz sample rate
- 12-bit A-to-D for analogue samples
- Wide range of input signal support:
  - Single-ended, RS422 or open-collector
  - Single-ended voltages up to 55V
  - 50 Ohm, 75 Ohm or high impedance video
  - Opto-coupled inputs for noise immunity
- Status LEDs
- 8-bit digital inputs with clock
- Parallel azimuth
- Programmable pre-trigger compensation
- · Optional end-of-range input signal
- · Programmable mixing of analogue and digital videos
- · Loss of signal detection
- · High-speed DMA transfers
- Supported under Windows and Linux
- C/C++/.NET board support package
- · On-board test pattern generator
- Fully supported by SPx software
- · Wide range of radars supported
- Designed for rugged embedded solutions
- Backwards compatibility with HPx-250

The HPx-450 is an enhanced-performance XMC dual-stream radar acquisition card. The card is capable of capturing and processing analogue and digital primary radar video from up to two radars. The card may be used with a board support library for basic radar signal acquisition, or else with Cambridge Pixel's SPx software for complex processing, tracking or display requirements. The HPx-450 card supports a number of multi-channel input modes, including dual redundancy and fully independent dual-stream capture. This flexibility allows the number of radar input cards to be reduced while retaining system capability.

### Radar Capture

The HPx-450 interfaces to analogue or digital radar signals, and provides a flexible set of input options to handle a wide range of radar types. A flexible mixing capability allows a combination of analogue and digital inputs to be captured and combined. The HPx-450 card provides a dual set of inputs, allowing up to two independent radars to be connected to the same card. The analogue video inputs are captured at up to 125 MHz using high precision analogue to digital converters at 12-bit resolution. The captured video can be optionally down-sampled to reduce the data rate before transfer across XMC, using four lanes to provide exceptional transfer rates. On the host computer, drivers and a board-support library for Windows and Linux is available. Additionally, the SPx software suite is available to provide a full complement of radar processing functions including scan conversion and target tracking.

### **Input Signals**

The HPx-450 accepts radar video, trigger and azimuth signals in the form of ACP/ARP or parallel data. A wide variety of signal types and input voltages are supported, allowing the card to support many different radar models. The card provides a capability to detect missing signals in order to provide software alarms for loss of triggers or azimuth data.

### **Board Support Library and SPx Processing**

A low-level board support library is available to provide a C++ class interface to configure the board and capture video, providing low-level access to the video samples. Example code is available for Windows and Linux. Alternatively, Cambridge Pixel's extensive SPx software is available to provide advanced processing and display of the radar video data. SPx software can be supplied in the form of a library for use in custom application code or as ready-made applications, such as SPx Server, which have built-in support for the HPx-450 card. The SPx library provides an extensible toolkit of radar specific functions that can be linked together to form a processing chain. Custom functions are easily incorporated into the processing chain, allowing an application to be built from a combination of SPx library functions and user-written processing modules. Cambridge Pixel's ready-to-run applications offer solutions for both server-side processing and network distribution and for client-side receipt and display.

### **Dual-Stream Functionality**

The HPx-450 provides two fully independent radar input channels, which may be used in a number of ways:

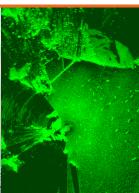
- Dual sampling of one radar video at different rates typically, this might be higher sampling for short ranges to get maximum close-in detail, with lower sampling across the full radar range to give maximum coverage.
- Dual redundant mode software-controlled automatic failover from one input channel to the other in the event of loss of trigger, ACP or ARP
- Dual independent radars simultaneous, independent capture of two separate radars.

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#### **Architecture**

Form Factor: **XMC** 

Interface: XMC/PCIe x4

C/C++/.NET software library Programming:

Platform: Windows 10/11. Linux

**Functional** 

Radar Video: 2 x Analogue (configurable gain/offset in range -5V to

+5V), 50  $\Omega$ , 75 $\Omega$  or high impedance termination (link

selectable)

8 x Digital (RS422) with clock (7 in dual radar mode)

**Azimuth Data:** 2x ACP/ARP inputs, configurable for: RS422 differential, discrete single-ended signals. Single-ended options for opto-coupled inputs for electrical isolation, selectable

 $75\Omega$  or high impedance, open collector (1k $\Omega$  pull-up to

1x parallel azimuth

Trigger: 2x trigger inputs, configurable for: RS422 differential,

discrete single-ended signals. Single-ended options for: opto-coupled inputs for electrical isolation, selectable 75 $\Omega$  or high impedance, open collector (1k $\Omega$  pull-up to

Programmable range zero trigger delay

Video Combiner: Programmable mix of analogue and digital inputs using

**Test Generation:** Built-in test pattern generator

Output: Radar returns onto XMC/PCIe bus

Radar Capture: Programmable return length up to 64k

Staggered PRFs supported

12-bit A-to-D

### **Connectors**

Radar Input: 50W MDR connector for videos, trigger and ACP/ARP

XMC: Standard XMC connector, DMA transfers up to 500 MB/sec

#### **Performance**

Sample Frequency: 125 MHz Maximum input BW: 60 MHz PRF: 0 to 16 kHz Samples per return: Up to 64k

Up to 16k Data transfer rate: Up to 500 MB/s peak (250 MB/s sustained)

Scan rate: Up to 120 rpm

### **Environmental**

Returns per scan:

Cooling: Forced air cooling

0°C to 55°C (operational), -40°C to 85°C (storage) Temperature:

Extended temperature version -20°C to +70°C available

### **Software Support**

Board support library (C/C++/.NET)

SPx Development Library

RadarView Radar Visualisation Client

SPx Server (Distribution, Plot Extraction, Tracking)

### **Ordering Information**

542-100 HPx-450 (single channel) 542-110 HPx-450 (dual channel)

542-100-ET1 HPx-450 (single channel, extended temperature) 542-110-ET1 HPx-450 (dual channel, extended temperature)

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