

A High-Performance / Low-Power MIPS® SoC with PCI Controller

Overview

The RMI Alchemy™ Solutions Au1500® processor provides a high-performance, low-power System-on-a-Chip (SoC) for the Internet Edge device market. These devices include thin clients, Web servers, routers, printers, wired and wireless gateways, wireless access points, handheld computing, Web pads, set-top boxes, and multimedia applications.

Product Description

The Au1500 processor delivers a complete SoC based on the MIPS32® instruction set. Designed for optimum performance at a very low power, the Au1500 processor is available up to 500MHz. Power dissipation measures less than 0.7 watt for the 400MHz version. With highly-integrated features (on-chip memory controllers, a 66MHz PCI 2.2 controller, and Internet access peripherals), the Au1500 processor runs a variety of operating systems, including Windows® CE.NET, Linux, and VxWorks. Moreover, the integration of peripherals, with RMI's unique, very high-performance MIPS-compatible core, can provide lower system costs, smaller form factors, lower system power requirements, simpler designs at multiple performance points, and shorter design cycles.

Features

High-Speed MIPS® CPU Core

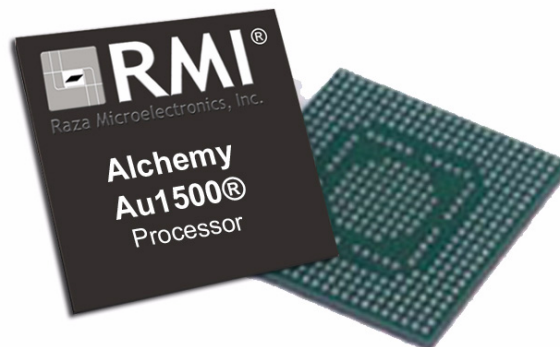
- 333, 400 or 500MHz
- MIPS32 Instruction Set
- 32-bit Architecture
- 6KB Instruction and 16KB Data Caches
- High-speed Multiply-Accumulate (MAC) and Divide Unit
- 1.5–1.8V Core, 3.3V I/O

Highly-Integrated System Peripherals

- 33/66MHz 32-bit PCI Controller (PCI 2.2 Compliant)
- GPIO (39 total, 22 dedicated for system use)
- Two 10/100 Ethernet Controllers
- USB Device and Host
- Two UARTs
- AC97 Controller
- PCMCIA Interface Controller

High Bandwidth Memory Buses

- 100/125MHz SDRAM Controller
- SRAM/Flash EPROM Controller



Low System Power

Core MHz	Power
333	<400mW
400	700mW
500	1.2W

- Power-saving Modes
 - Idle
 - Sleep
- Pseudo-static Design to 0Hz

Package

- 424-pin PBGA
- 19mm x 19mm

Operating System Support

- Microsoft® Windows CE.NET
- Linux
- VxWorks

Development Tool Support

- MIPS32-compatible Tool Set
- Numerous Third-Party Compilers, Assemblers and Debuggers

Core Microarchitecture Highlights Pipeline

- Scalar 5-stage Pipeline
- Load/Store Adder in I-stage
- Scalar Branch Techniques Optimized
- Pipelined Register File Access in Fetch Stage
- Zero Penalty Branch
- 16KB Non-Blocking Data Cache
- 16KB Instruction Cache

RMI Alchemy™ Au1500® Processor

Internet Edge Processor

Multiply-Accumulate (MAC) and Divide Unit

- Max Issue Rate of one 32x16 MAC per Clock
- Max Issue Rate of one 32x32 MAC per Every Other Clock
- Operate in Parallel to CPU Pipeline
- Executes all Integer Multiply and Divide Instructions
- 32x16-bit MAC Hardware

MMU

- Instruction and Data Watch Registers for Software Breakpoints
- Separate Interrupt Exception Vector
- TLB
 - 32 Dual-entry, Fully Associative
 - Variable Page Sizes 4KB–16MB
 - 4-entry ITB

PCI

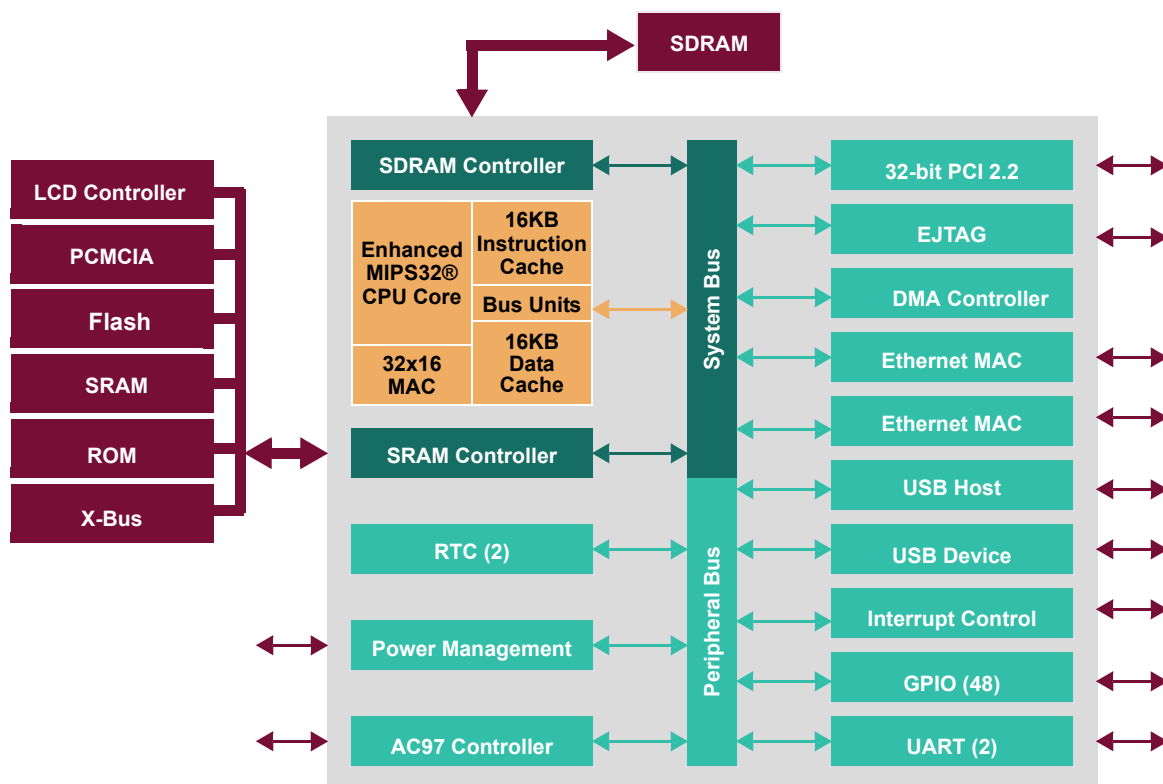
- PCI 2.2 Compliant Core
- Configurable as Host or Satellite
- 32-bit Address/Data Bus
- 33MHz/66MHz Source or Sink Clock
- PCI Boot Supported

EJTAG Support

- Revision 2.5
- Probes Availability from Major Vendors

Low Power Consumption

Core MHz	Core Voltage	Power
333	1.5	<400mW
400	1.5	700mW
500	1.8	1.2W



About RMI

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