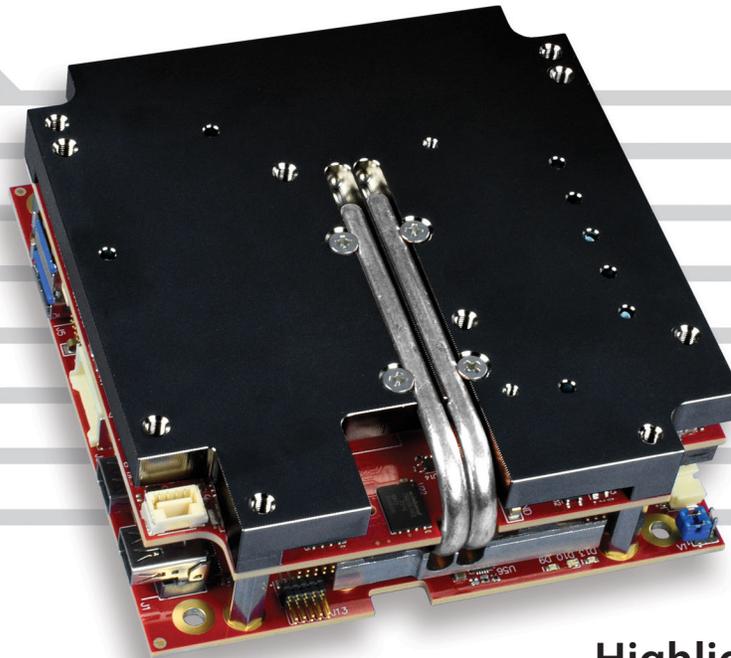


# Sabertooth

## PC104 Embedded Computer



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(3.54 x 3.78 x 1.69")

### Overview

The Sabertooth is a rugged PC104 embedded computer featuring a high-bandwidth “3-Bank” expansion interface. The expansion connector supports high-speed peripherals, compute-offload, or GPU devices that require up to 16 high-speed PCIe lanes.

The Sabertooth is a highly effective edge computer which, with its high-bandwidth bus, can be further expanded with I/O such as 10 Gigabit Ethernet, FPGA, and GPU boards. The Sabertooth’s high-bandwidth expansion port includes a PCIe Gen 3 x16 bus with bifurcation, four PCIe x1, two USB 2.0, and SMB interfaces.

Sabertooth is based on Intel’s 9th Generation CPU family. Models are available with quad-core i3 or hex-core Xeon-E processors. Featuring Hyper-Threading on Xeon-E equipped models, the Sabertooth is a powerful computing platform. In addition to its powerful processor it includes high-speed SSD storage (NVMe), and up to 32 GB of RAM (error-correcting RAM in the Xeon-E model). This makes it ideal for embedded computing needs in defense, aerospace, medical, smart security, and energy applications.

The Sabertooth is designed and tested for full industrial temperature (-40° to +85°C) operation and meets MIL-STD-202H specifications for shock and vibration. It uses latching connectors to address cable detachment issues in hostile environments.

VersaLogic’s 10+ year product life support ensures long-term availability. Long lifecycle products avoid expensive upgrades, redesigns, and migrations that come from shorter lifecycle products.

### Highlights

- **High-Performance 9th Generation Coffee Lake Processor Options**  
Hex-core Xeon-E or quad-core i3 versions
- **3-Bank Expansion**  
PCIe x16 Gen 3 expansion
- **High-Speed On-board Storage**  
128 GB NVMe fast read/write SSD storage
- **Optional 2x 10-GB Ethernet**  
Available on EPMe-51-EDP-32X-E9 version

## Features

### 1 PC104 “3-Bank” Expansion Connector

Gen 3 PCIe x16 bus with bifurcation, four PCIe x1, two USB 2.0, and SMB.

### 2 High-Performance Video

Intel UHD Graphics (P)630 supports DirectX 12 and OpenGL 4.5, 4K hardware video acceleration with HEVC (10-bit), VP8, VP9, and MPEG2 encoding/decoding and VC-1 decoding. Two Mini DisplayPort outputs.

### 3 Network

Two Gigabit Ethernet (GbE) ports.

### 4 Storage

On-Board fast read/write bootable 128 GB NVMe SSD. Larger capacities available.

6 Gb/s SATA port supports bootable SATA hard drive. Dual-port (non-latching) option available.

### 5 Industrial I/O

Two USB 3.1 ports (5a) and four USB 2.0 ports (5b) support video cameras, keyboard, mouse, and other devices.

Two RS-232/422/485 serial ports (5c). Three 8254 timer/counters. I2C support (5d).

### 6 Digital I/O

Eight TTL I/O Lines 3.3V. Independently configurable.

### 7 On-board Power Conditioning

10V–15VDC input for nominal 12V power sources

### 8 Thermal Solution

Built-in heat plate supports direct attachment to a thermal bulkhead, or attachment to other thermal options (heat sink, heat pipe adaptor, etc).

### 9 Expansion Power

Power input for any expansion boards added to the system.

### Intel Xeon or iCore “Coffee Lake Refresh” Processor (not shown)

Quad-core or hex-core, up to 4.2 GHz turbo clock rate.

### RAM (not shown)

Up to 32 GB ECC or non-ECC DDR4 RAM depending on model.

### Trusted Platform Module (not shown)

On-board TPM 2.0 security chip can lock out unauthorized hardware and software access.

### Industrial Temperature Operation

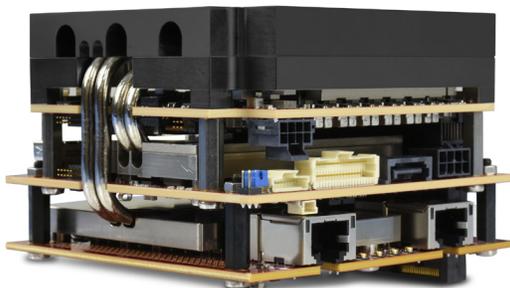
-40° to +85°C operation for harsh environments.

### MIL-STD-202H

Qualified for high shock/vibration environments.

### Software Support

Compatible with a variety of popular x86 operating systems including Windows, Windows Embedded, Linux, and VxWorks. Supported by the VersaAPI I/O routines.



View showing model VL-EPMe-51EDP-32X-E9 with additional Dual 10GbE ports

## Modify Sabertooth to Your Exact Requirements

COTS modifications are available in quantities as low as 100 pieces.

- Conformal Coating
- Connector Changes
- I/O Changes
- Custom Testing
- Custom Labeling
- BGA Underfill
- BIOS Modifications
- Software and Drivers
- Revision Locks
- Custom Screening
- Larger Storage Device
- Software Pre-load
- Etc.

## Specifications

<b>General</b>				
<b>Board Size</b>	PC104 90 x 96 x 42.9 mm (3.54 x 3.78 x 1.69")			
<b>Weight</b>	476 grams (16.8 oz.) including heat plate			
<b>Processor Options</b>	<i>Processor</i>	<i>Cache</i>	<i>Intel vPro®</i>	
	i3-9100HL	6 MB	No	
	Xeon E-2276ML	12 MB	Yes	
Intel 64-bit instructions, Secure Key, Intel Trusted Execution Technology, Intel Enhanced SpeedStep® Technology, Intel Turbo Boost Technology, Intel Virtualization Technology, AES New Instructions.				
<b>Battery</b>	Connection for 3.0V RTC backup battery			
<b>Power Requirements (@ +12V) †</b>	<i>Model</i>	<i>Idle</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Max.</i>
	VL-EPMe-51EAP-16 (Core i3)	4.4 W	23.9 W	43.3 W
	VL-EPMe-51EDP-16X (Xeon-E)	4.2 W	26.1 W	48.0 W
	VL-EPMe-51EDP-32X (Xeon-E)	4.2 W	26.7 W	49.2 W
<b>Input Voltage</b>	10V – 15VDC			
<b>System Reset and Hardware Monitors</b>	All voltage rails monitored. Watchdog timer with programmable timeout. Push-button sleep, reset, and power.			
<b>Regulatory Compliance</b>	RoHS (EU 2015/863), Conflict Minerals compliant.			
<b>Environmental</b>				
<b>Thermal Management</b>	Bolt-on heat plate included. Optional heat sink, fan, and other thermal accessories available.			
<b>Operating Temperature</b>	<i>Model</i>	<i>Heat Plate**</i>	<i>Heat Pipe Adapter kit</i>	<i>Heat Sink + Fan</i>
	All models	-40° to +85°C	-40° to +85°C	-40° to +60°C
	Ranges shown assume 90% CPU utilization. For detailed thermal information and exceptions, refer to the VL-EPMe-51 Reference Manual. ** Heat plate must be kept below 80°C			
<b>Airflow Requirements</b>	0.5 linear m/s.			
<b>Storage Temperature</b>	-40° to +85°C			
<b>Altitude</b>	Operating*	To 4,570m (15,000 ft.)		
	Storage	To 12,000m (40,000 ft.)		
<b>Vibration, Sinusoidal Sweep</b> □	MIL-STD-202H method MIL-STD-202-204, Condition A: 2g			
<b>Vibration, Random</b> □	MIL-STD-202H method MIL-STD-202-214, Condition A: 5.35g rms			
<b>Mechanical Shock</b> □	MIL-STD-202H method MIL-STD-202-213, Condition G: 20g half-sine			
<b>Security</b>				
<b>TPM</b>	Infineon Trusted Platform Module 2.0 discrete device			

† Represents operation at +25°C and +12V supply running Windows 10 with DisplayPort display, GbE, and USB keyboard/mouse. Average power computed as the mean value of Idle and Maximum power specifications. Maximum power measured with 95% CPU utilization in Turbo mode.

‡ Derate -1.1°C per 305m (1,000 ft.) above 2,300m (7,500 ft.)

\* Extended altitude specifications available upon request

‡ TVS protected port (enhanced ESD protection)

§ Power pins on this port are overload protected

¥ Bootable storage device capability

□ MIL-STD-202H shock and vibrate levels are used to illustrate the extreme ruggedness of this product in general. Testing at higher levels and/or different types of shock or vibration methods can be accommodated per the specific requirements of the application. Contact VersaLogic Sales for further information.

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<b>Memory</b>	
<b>System RAM</b>	16 or 32 GB DDR4 SDRAM. ECC or non-ECC depending on model.
<b>Video</b>	
<b>General</b>	Integrated Intel UHD Graphics (P)630 supports DirectX 12 and OpenGL 4.5, Quick Sync Video, Clear Video HD Technology, 4K
<b>Hardware Based Acceleration</b>	Video acceleration with HEVC (10-bit), VP8, VP9, and MPEG2 encoding/decoding and VC-1 decoding
<b>DisplayPort Interface</b> §	Two Mini DisplayPort++ outputs. 24-bit. Up to 4096 x 2304 at 60 Hz (30 Hz for Xeon model). 4K support at 60 Hz. Supports DisplayPort and HDMI signaling (Video and Audio outputs).

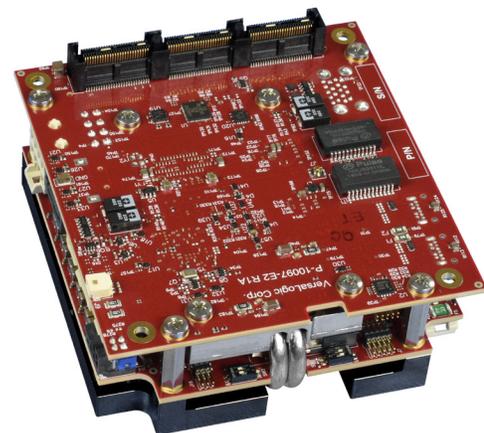
<b>Mass Storage</b>	
<b>Rotating/SSD Drive</b> ¥	SATA 6 Gb/s port. Latching SATA connector. Optional dual non-latching connector.
<b>Flash/SSD</b> ¥	Soldered-down 128 GB NVMe. Supports Data at Rest security functions. Capacities to 1 TB supported.

<b>Network Interface</b>	
<b>Ethernet</b> ‡	Two AutoDetect 10BaseT/100BaseTX/1000BaseT ports. (Additional two 10,000 Base T available depending on model.) Latching connector. One port with network boot option.

<b>Device I/O</b>	
<b>USB</b> ‡§	Two USB 3.1 / 2.0 ports. Four USB 2.0 host ports.
<b>COM Interface</b> ‡	Two RS-232/422/485 selectable. 16C550 compatible. 1 Mbps max.
<b>Digital I/O</b>	Eight TTL I/O Lines 3.3V. Independently configurable.
<b>I2C</b>	Single I2C interface
<b>Counter/Timers</b>	Three 8254 compatible Programmable Interval Timers (PITs).

<b>Expansion</b>	
<b>3-Bank Type 1. Stack Down</b>	PCIe Gen 3 x16 with bifurcation (1 x16, or 2 x8, or 2 x4), four PCIe Gen 3 x1 lanes, two USB 2.0, and SMB.

<b>Software</b>	
<b>BIOS</b>	UEFI based on Phoenix SecureCore Tiano™
<b>Sleep Mode</b>	ACPI 3.0. Support for S0, S3, S4, S5 states.
<b>Operating Systems</b>	Compatible with most x86 operating systems including Windows, Linux, and Windows Server (Xeon model only)



Inverted view showing stack-down 3-bank connector

## Ordering Information

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Model	Processor	Cores	Hyper-Threading / Threads	CPU Clock / Turbo Speed	Graphics Core	On-board Storage	SODIMM Memory	Ethernet	Operating Temp.†	Cooling
VL-EPMe-51EAP-16	i3-9100HL	4	No / 4	1.6 GHz / 2.9 GHz	UHD 630	128 GB NVMe SSD	16 GB	GbE 2x	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate
VL-EPMe-51EDP-16X*	Xeon E-2276ML	6	Yes / 12	2.0 GHz / 4.2 GHz	UHD P630	128 GB NVMe SSD	16 GB ECC	GbE 2x	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate
VL-EPMe-51EDP-32X	Xeon E-2276ML	6	Yes / 12	2.0 GHz / 4.2 GHz	UHD P630	128 GB NVMe SSD	32 GB ECC	GbE 2x	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate
VL-EPMe-51EDP-32X-E9	Xeon E-2276ML	6	Yes / 12	2.0 GHz / 4.2 GHz	UHD P630	128 GB NVMe SSD	32 GB ECC	10GbE 2x, GbE 2x	-40° to +85°C	Heat Plate

† Final operating temperature is dependent on the customer thermal solution

## Accessories

Part Number	Description
<b>Cable Kit</b>	
VL-CKR-SABERTOOTH	Sabertooth Eval. cable kit. Includes VL-CBR-4005, 0812, 1604, 0815, 0702, 2033, 1014, 0816, 0817, HDW-105 and 401.
VL-CBR-4005	System I/O paddleboard
VL-CBR-0812	12" 8 pin Nanofit to Fork Terminal, Power Cable
VL-CBR-1604	Dual Ethernet cable, 16-pin Clik-Mate to 2 RJ-45 – rugged latching, 12"
VL-CBR-0815	12" 8-pin Molex Micro-Fit+ to Fork Terminals, 3-Bank Power Cable
VL-CBR-0816	12" ATX 8-pin to 8-pin Molex Nano-Fit
VL-CBR-0817	12" ATX 24-pin to 8-pin Molex Micro-Fit+
VL-CBR-0702	SATA cable – rugged latching, 20"
VL-CBR-2033	Mini DisplayPort to HDMI Active Adapter
VL-CBR-1014	RS232 Dual channel cable 2xDsub (9-pin), Latching, 12"
VL-HDW-105	0.6" Standoff Package, metric thread
VL-HDW-401	Thermal compound paste. For heat sink attachment.
<b>Cables and Adapters</b>	
VL-CBR-0203	2-pin Latching Battery Module, 6"
VL-CBR-2031	36" mDP to mDP Cable
VL-CBR-2032	Mini DisplayPort to VGA Adapter
<b>Hardware</b>	
VL-HDW-114	PC104 (PCIe) Spacer
VL-HDW-115	PC104 (blank) Spacer
<b>Thermal Options</b>	
VL-HDW-424	Heat Sink with Fan
VL-HDW-425	Heat Pipe Adapter Kit
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
VL-PS-ATX12-300A	ATX development power supply (requires VL-CBR-0816 and VL-CBR-0817)
<b>Expansion Module</b>	
VL-EPM-E9E	10 Gigabit Ethernet Expansion Module PCIe/104

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