

IEEE 1355

Why yet another high-speed serial interface standard?

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UART/RS232

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- Serial
- Autobaud
- Point-to-point
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Like UART but faster, more reliable, less logic

UART/RS232

- Flow-control with escapes or extra wires
- Packet protocol(s) with escapes
- Fastest ~ 10 Mbaud
- UART core in Xilinx: 1.5 MBaud 350 CLBs

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- Flow-control built-in, never loses data
- Simple packet protocol built in
- to 200 Mbaud for DS, to 2GBaud for HS
- 1355 DS core in Xilinx: 140 Mbaud 100 CLBs

100 times UART performance in 1/3 logic



Ports connect into networks: Plenty to choose from!

- USB: Bus, bottleneck, single point failure
- 1394: Bus, bottleneck, single point failure

(Buses are obsolete: new networks are switched, scalable and fault-tolerant)

- Ethernet: Designed as bus, now switched
- ATM: Designed for switched global network
- 1355: Designed for switched chip-chip network



1355's flexible packet protocol



1355 network can carry multiple encapsulated protocols on same network



1355's bandwidth scales



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Network router/server





HS-link PCI routing switch





Rosetta Spacecraft to use 1355



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Image-processing DSP for Space

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"SpaceWire"-PCI

What's wrong with IEEE 1355?

- Transputer links demonstrated convergence of computers and communications in 1985
- Abandoned by companies who started it
- Used in niche markets such as Space
- Not quite enough products yet

No one has heard of it

What's right with IEEE 1355?

- Low-cost: Port uses fewer gates than RS232, Switches use fewer gates than USB Hubs
- Scalable to Terabits/s total network throughput
- **Reliable**, resilient, no single points of failure
- Flexible: ATM, IP, MPEG... on same network

No other network has this combination

You need this combination

That's why the 1355 standard

What's right with IEEE 1355?

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