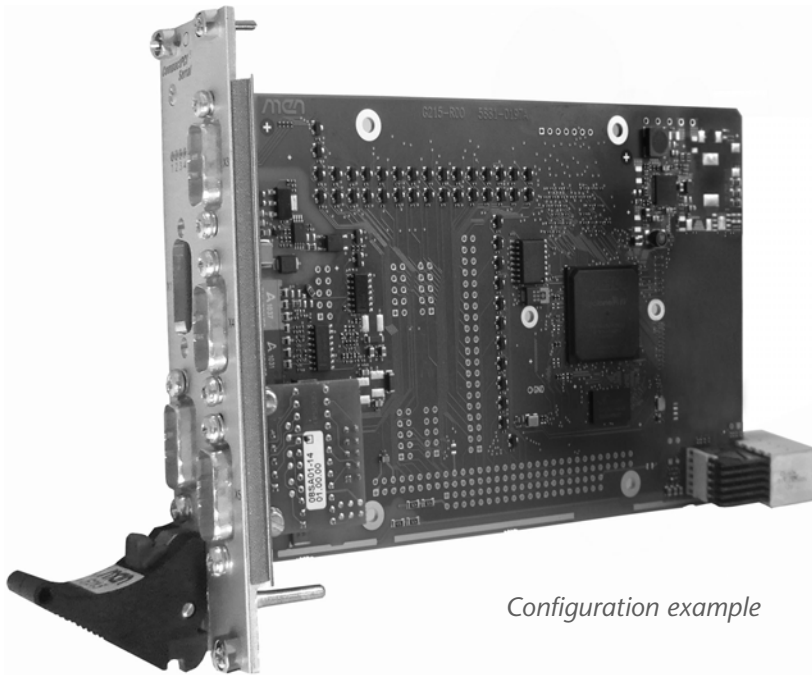


# G215 – 3U CompactPCI® Serial Universal Interface Board



Configuration example

User Manual

## **G215 – 3U CompactPCI® Serial Universal Interface Board**

The G215 is a universal interface board based on 3U CompactPCI® Serial. The physical layer can be realized individually for each channel by means of SA-Adapters™.

SA-Adapters™ are small universal boards providing the line drivers for legacy serial I/O, fieldbus interfaces and other small I/O functions. Most SA-Adapters™ use 9-pin D-Sub connectors which are accessible at the front panel. Alternatively, the adapter can be connected to the front panel via ribbon cable. The SA concept allows to add additional I/O interfaces to the G215, enhancing flexibility with regard to the line transceivers and isolation requirements.

Two SA-Adapters™ can be mounted directly on the G215, the other maximum six adapters need more front-panel space and are connected to the carrier via ribbon cable. The G215 comes in a standard configuration with five pre-defined functions on 8 HP: two CAN interfaces, two UARTs and one 8-channel binary I/O interface. SA-Adapters™ are not included in the delivery, because different types are available, e.g. for the UARTs. They can be ordered as needed.

The board's I/O functions are realized by means of an FPGA, making it a very flexible, inexpensive solution for dedicated serial I/O. The card can become "everything" from a customized I/O combination to a specialized 8-port CAN card or even an intelligent I/O board including a Nios® soft core, on 4, 8 or 12 HP. As an option, further I/O signals, including high-speed interfaces, can be accessed via rear I/O on CompactPCI® Serial connectors P3 and P4. The FPGA is loaded automatically after power-up from a 4 MB serial Flash. It is also possible to access this Flash to update its contents.

Up to 64 MB DDR2 SDRAM are optionally available for complementing the functions of the FPGA. This DRAM can be used for example as a large buffer memory for more complex protocols.

The G215 is designed for use in rugged environments. For example, all components are soldered-on and are specified for an operating temperature of -40 to +85°C.

## Technical Data

### I/O Interfaces

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- Different variations possible through FPGA IP cores and SA-Adapters™:
  - RS232
  - RS422
  - RS485
  - IBIS master/slave
  - CAN bus
  - HDLC
  - Binary I/O
  - GPS
  - The FPGA offers the possibility to add customized I/O functionality. See [FPGA](#).
  - [Option matrix showing possible IP cores and SA-Adapters™ \(PDF\)](#)
- Accessible via onboard connectors
  - Physical interface at front panel using SA-Adapters™
  - Two interfaces for direct onboard connection of SA-Adapters™
  - Up to six interfaces for connection of SA-Adapters™ via 10-pin ribbon cable
- Standard factory interface configuration:
  - 8 HP front panel with five SA-Adapter™ cut-outs for
  - 2 CAN bus interfaces
  - 2 UART interfaces
  - 1 binary I/O interface
  - No SA-Adapters™ included by standard; they can be selected as needed
- Standard factory FPGA configuration:
  - 16Z029\_CAN – CAN controller (controls CAN X1)
  - 16Z029\_CAN – CAN controller (controls CAN X2)
  - 16Z125\_UART – UART controller (controls UARTs X3/X4)
  - 16Z037\_GPIO – GPIO controller (8 I/O lines on X5)

### Memory

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- 4 MB serial Flash for FPGA configuration

### Miscellaneous

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- Four status LEDs at front panel
  - One status LED to signal FPGA configuration (interfaces ready)
  - Three user LEDs, FPGA-controlled by 16Z034\_GPIO controller

### CompactPCI® Serial

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- Compliance with CompactPCI® Serial PICMG CPCI-S.0 Specification
- Peripheral slot
- Host interface:
  - One PCI Express® x4 link
  - PCIe® 1.x support
  - Data rate 1 GB/s in each direction (2.5 Gbit/s per lane)

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### Electrical Specifications

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- Supply voltage/power consumption:
  - +12 V (-5%/+5%), 0.125 A

### Mechanical Specifications

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- Dimensions: conforming to CompactPCI® Serial specification for 3U boards
- Front panel: 8 HP with ejector
  - For up to five interfaces
- Weight: 168 g (w/o SA-Adapters™)

### Environmental Specifications

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- Temperature range (operation):
  - -40..+85°C (qualified components)
  - Airflow: min. 1.0 m/s
- Temperature range (storage): -40..+85°C
- Relative humidity (operation): max. 95% non-condensing
- Relative humidity (storage): max. 95% non-condensing
- Altitude: -300 m to +3000 m
- Shock:
  - 15 g, 11 ms (EN 60068-2-27)
  - 50 m/s<sup>2</sup>, 30 ms (EN 61373)
- Bump: 10 g, 16 ms (EN 60068-2-29)
- Vibration (sinusoidal): 1 g, 10 Hz - 150 Hz (EN 60068-2-6)
- Vibration (function): 1 m/s<sup>2</sup>, 5 Hz - 150 Hz (EN 61373)
- Vibration (lifetime): 7.9 m/s<sup>2</sup>, 5 Hz - 150 Hz (EN 61373)
- Conformal coating on request

### MTBF

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- 529 954 h @ 40°C according to IEC/TR 62380 (RDF 2000)

### Safety

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- PCB manufactured with a flammability rating of 94V-0 by UL recognized manufacturers

### EMC

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- Tested according to EN 55022 (radio disturbance), IEC 61000-4-2 (ESD) and IEC 61000-4-4 (burst)

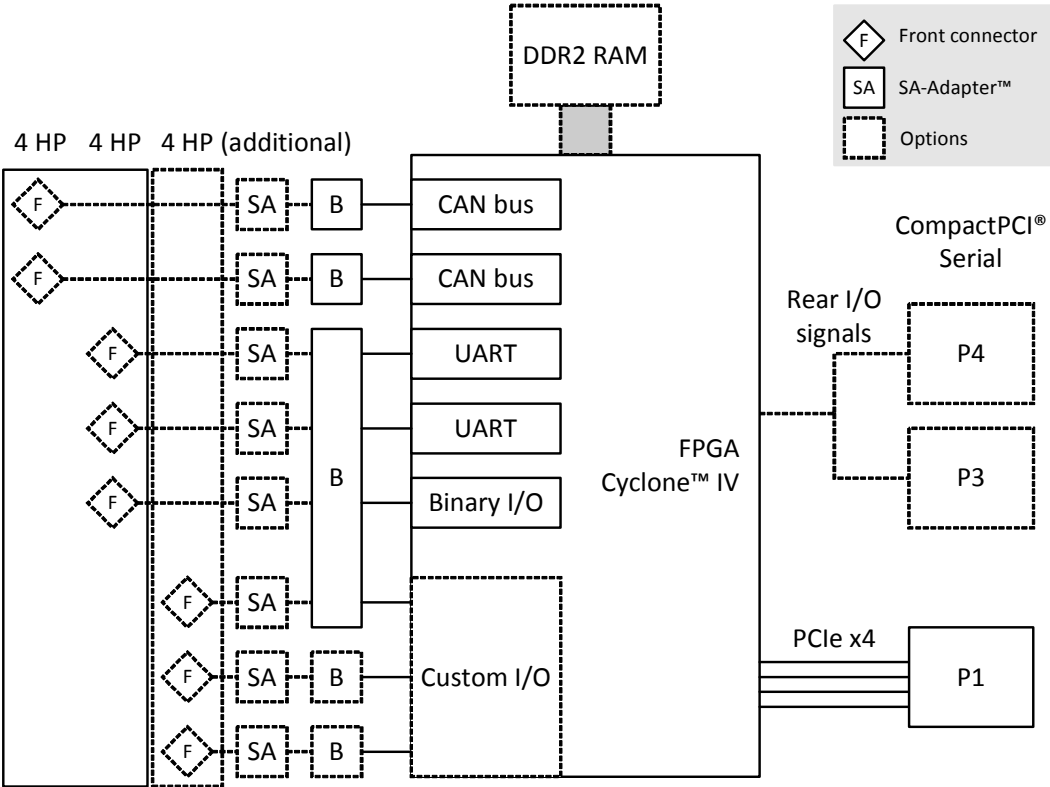
### Software Support

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- Driver software for Windows®, Linux, VxWorks®, QNX®
- Flash update tools for Windows®, Linux, VxWorks®
- [For more information on supported operating system versions and drivers see online data sheet.](#)



# Block Diagram



## Configuration Options

### Physical Layers

- Via up to eight SA-Adapters™
- Different variations possible through FPGA IP cores and SA-Adapters™:
  - RS232
  - RS422
  - RS485
  - IBIS master/slave
  - CAN bus
  - HDLC
  - Binary I/O
  - GPS
  - Other physical layers dependent on FPGA configuration
  - [Option matrix showing possible IP cores and SA-Adapters™ \(PDF\)](#)



### FPGA

- FPGA Altera® Cyclone® IV EP4CGX30, EP4CGX75 or EP4CGX150, see [FPGA](#)

### Memory

- 16 MB, 32 MB, 64 MB DDR2 SDRAM, FPGA-controlled, e.g., as a buffer memory for more complex protocols

### Rear I/O

- Up to 128 I/O signals on CompactPCI® Serial connectors P3 and P4
  - FPGA-controlled
  - Also for high-speed interfaces
  - In addition to SA-Adapter™ I/O

### Mechanical

- 4, 8 or 12 HP front panel dependent on number of SA-Adapters™
  - 4 HP with 2 onboard SA-Adapters™
  - 8 HP with 5 SA-Adapters™ (standard)
  - 12 HP with 8 SA-Adapters™
- One-piece front panel

### Cooling Concept

- Also available with conduction cooling in MEN CCA frame

**Please note that some of these options may only be available for large volumes. Please ask our sales staff for more information.**



**[For available standard configurations see online data sheet.](#)**

# FPGA

This product offers the possibility to add customized I/O functionality in FPGA.

## **Flexible Configuration**

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- Customized I/O functions can be added to the FPGA.
- It depends on the board type, pin counts and number of logic elements which IP cores make sense and/or can be implemented. Please contact MEN for information on feasibility.
- [You can find more information on our web page "User I/O in FPGA"](#)



## **FPGA Capabilities**

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- FPGA Altera® Cyclone® IV EP4CGX30 (Standard)
  - 29 440 logic elements
  - 1080 Kbits total RAM
- FPGA Altera® Cyclone® IV EP4CGX75 (Option)
  - 73 920 logic elements
  - 4158 Kbits total RAM
- FPGA Altera® Cyclone® IV EP4CGX150 (Option)
  - 149 760 logic elements
  - 6480 Kbits total RAM
- For interface functions
- 4 MB external Flash for FPGA configurations
- Connection
  - Pin count on onboard SA-Adapter™ connectors: 64 pins
  - SA-Adapters™ are used to realize the physical lines.
  - Option: Connection via CompactPCI® Serial rear I/O P3 and P4, pin count: 128 pins
- Functional updates via software
  - MEN offers Flash update tools for different operating systems.



- [Option matrix showing possible IP cores and SA-Adapters™ \(PDF\)](#)

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- Use a grounded wrist strap before handling computer components.
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- Store the board only in its original ESD-protected packaging. Retain the original packaging in case you need to return the board to MEN for repair.



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# 1 Getting Started

This chapter gives an overview of the board and hints for first installation in a system.

## 1.1 General Concept

The G215 is a universal interface board with a maximum of 8 interfaces. All of the board's I/O functions are realized inside its FPGA, making it a very flexible solution for dedicated serial I/O. The physical layer is implemented individually for each channel by means of MEN standard SA-Adapters.

Two SA-Adapters can be mounted directly on the G215, the other maximum six adapters need more front-panel space and are connected via ribbon cable.

The standard version of G215 lets you connect up to five SA-Adapters to implement its line interfaces on 8 HP (two slots). Two SA-Adapters for CAN bus can be mounted directly on the board (see [Chapter 1.4.1 Direct Connection \(X1, X2\) on page 17](#)), the other three adapters (two UARTs, one binary I/O interface) are connected via ribbon cable and led to the second front-panel slot (see [Chapter 1.4.2 Connection via Ribbon Cable \(X3, X4, X5\) on page 19](#)).

Suitable SA-Adapters are available for all interface types of the standard version, with different options for the UARTs, e.g., RS232, RS422/485 or IBIS master/slave.

With two additional connectors assembled, the G215 supports up to eight different interfaces.

As an additional option, the G215 also supports FPGA-based rear I/O on CompactPCI connectors P3 and P4.



For ordering information of available SA-Adapters please see the G215 data sheet on MEN's [website](#).

[Ask our sales team](#) for tailor-made, custom assembly and configuration options.

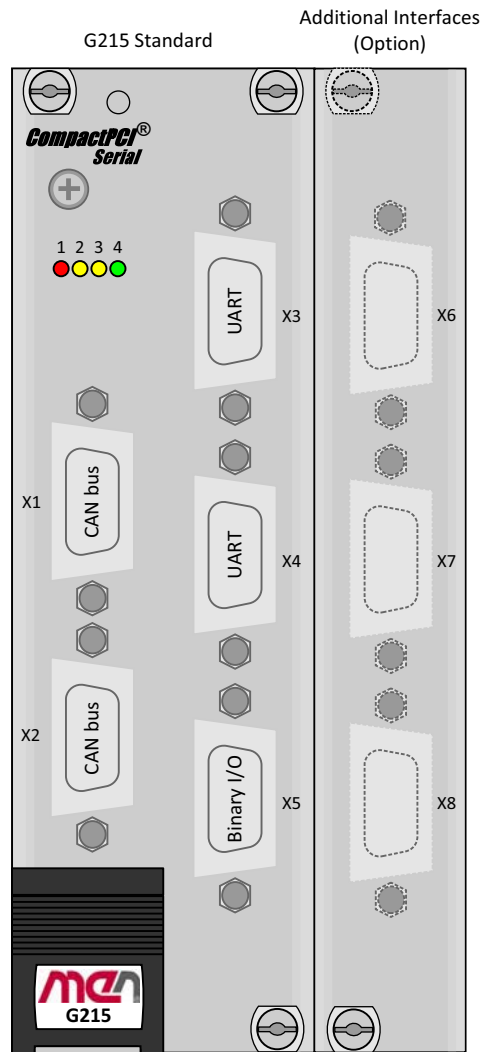
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- CAN bus functions see [Chapter 2.3.1 CAN Bus Interfaces on page 24](#).
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- binary I/O functions see [Chapter 2.3.3 Binary I/O Interface on page 30](#).
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## 1.2 Front Panel and Interfaces

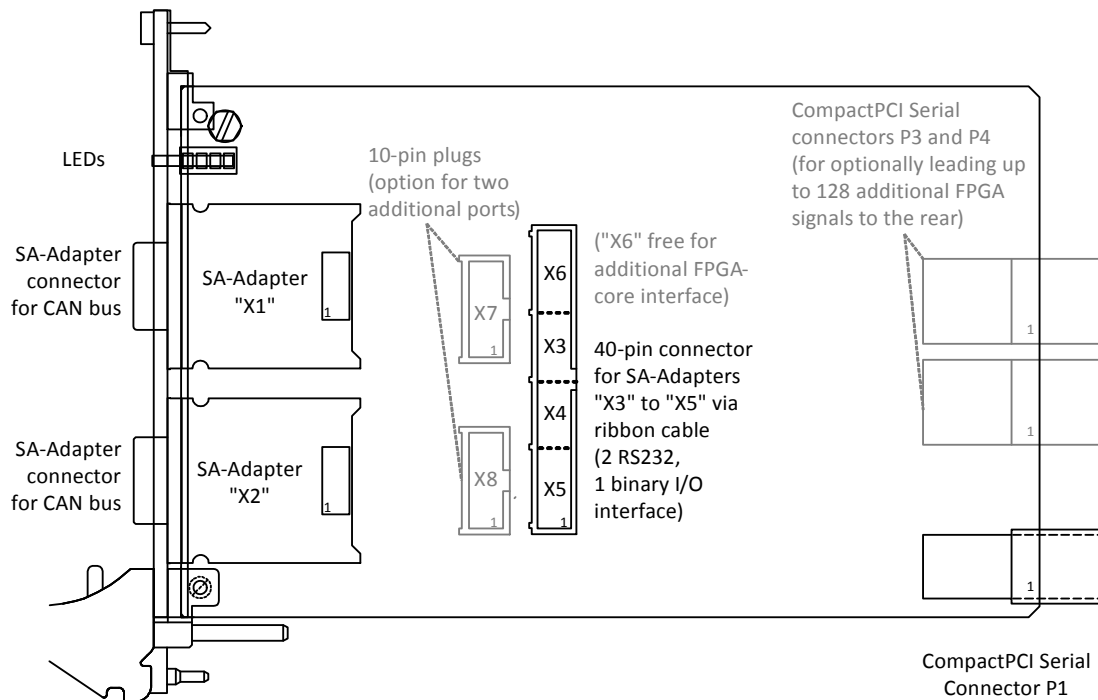
The G215 has five slots for standard 9-pin D-Sub connectors at the front. The standard configuration includes two CAN-bus interfaces, two UARTs and one 8-bit binary I/O port.

**Figure 1.** Front panel and interfaces



### 1.3 Map of the Board

Figure 2. Map of the board (top view)



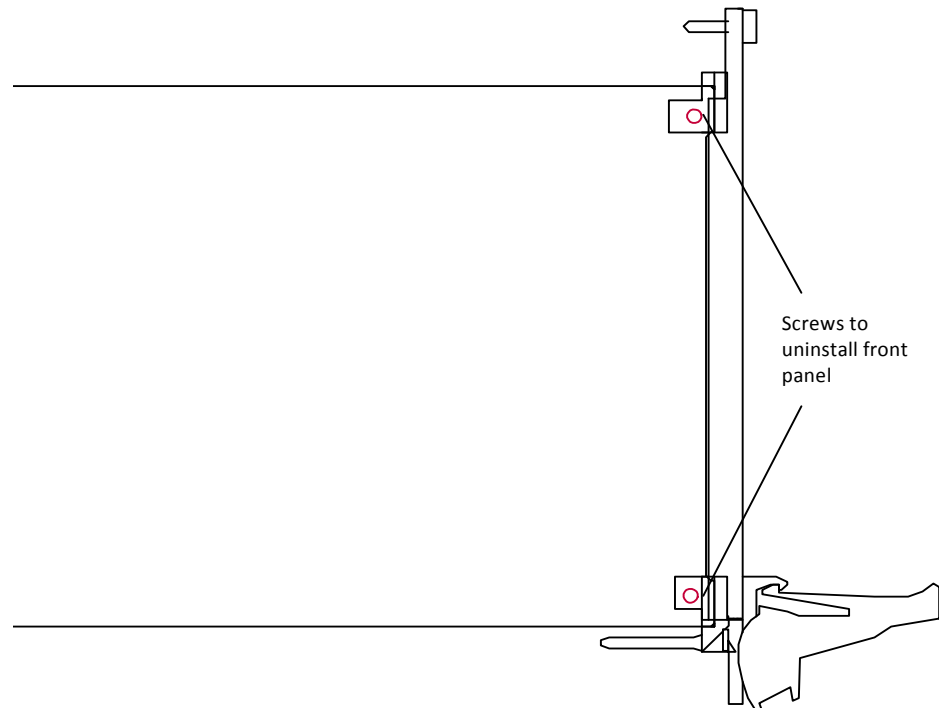


## 1.4 Installing SA-Adapters

### 1.4.1 Direct Connection (X1, X2)

Two SA-Adapters can be mounted directly on the G215 on the 10-pin receptacle connectors "X1" and "X2".

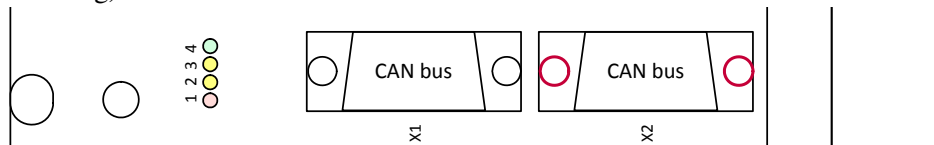
- ☑ Make sure that the adapter matches the standard dimensions for SA-Adapters. (See also installation hints in the adapter's user manual or the list of compatible accessories in the G215 data sheet on MEN's [website](#).)
- ☑ Power down your system and remove the G215 from the system.
- ☑ Remove the front panel: Loosen and remove the two screws highlighted in red.



- ☑ Remove the two front panel screws and the two screws on top of the mounting bolts of the SA-Adapter.



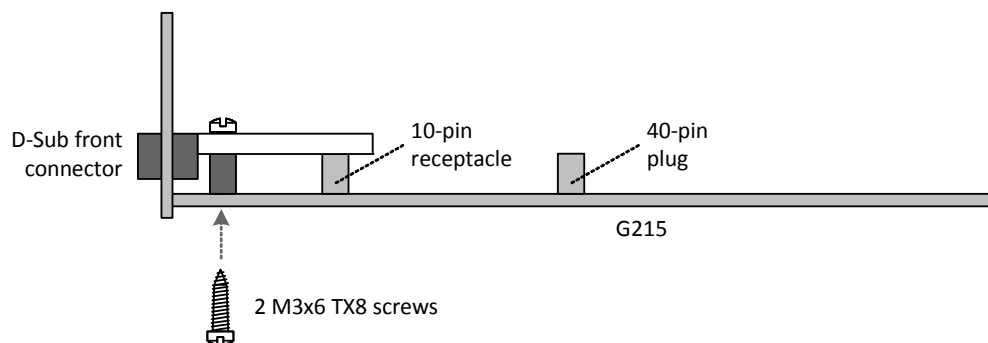
- ☑ Remove the blind connector from the front panel, if you need a slot that is covered: Loosen the two screws at the front of the panel (highlighted in red in the drawing).



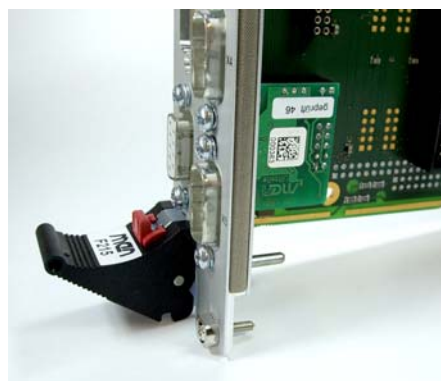
Hint: Hold the screw in place with a suitable tool from the back of the panel, then loosen the screw at the front.

- ☑ The SA-Adapter is plugged on the G215 with the component sides of the PCBs facing each other.
- ☑ Carefully put it down, making sure that the connectors are properly aligned.
- ☑ Press the SA-Adapter firmly onto the G215.
- ☑ Reinstall the front panel: Place the front panel back over the connectors, taking care not to damage the LEDs.
- ☑ Fasten the SA-Adapter at the front panel using the two screws that were supplied with the SA-Adapter in a separate bag.
- ☑ Screw the SA-Adapter tightly to the G215 PCB using the two screws removed before.

**Figure 3.** Installing SA-Adapters on G215 directly



**Figure 4.** G215 with one CAN-bus SA-Adapter on X1



Picture shows a similar board

## 1.4.2 Connection via Ribbon Cable (X3, X4, X5)

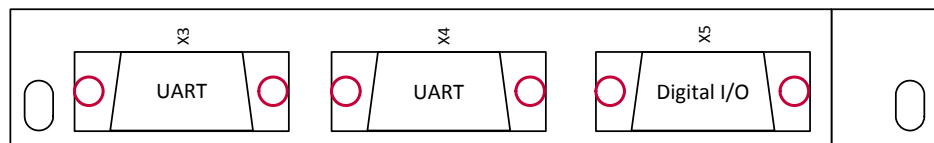
A suitable 40-pin connector with ribbon cables leading to three 10-pin SA-Adapter receptacles is included in the delivery of the G215. This allows easy installation of SA-Adapters in slots "X3", "X4" and "X5".



Note: MEN gives no warranty on functionality and reliability of the board and SA-Adapters used if you install SA-Adapters in a different way than described in MEN's documentation.

Perform the following steps to install SA-Adapters in X3, X4 or X5:

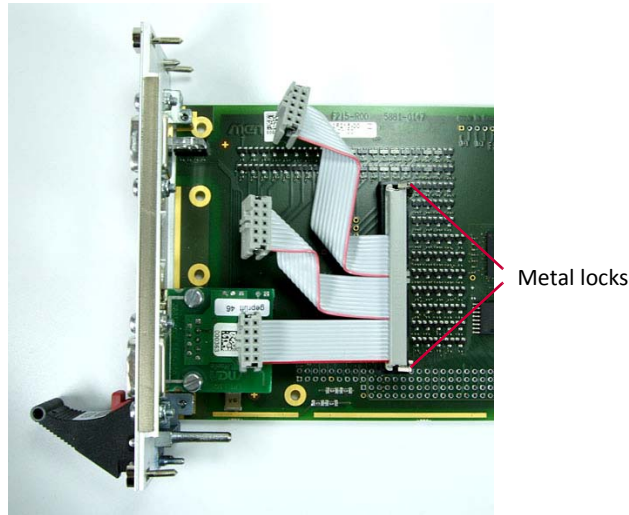
- Make sure that the adapter matches the standard dimensions for SA-Adapters. (See also installation hints in the adapter's user manual or the list of compatible accessories in the G215 data sheet on MEN's [website](#).)
- Power-down your system and remove the G215 from the system.
- Remove the blind connector from the additional front panel: Loosen one of the screw pairs highlighted in the drawing.



- Remove the two front panel screws and the two screws on top of the mounting bolts of the SA-Adapter.



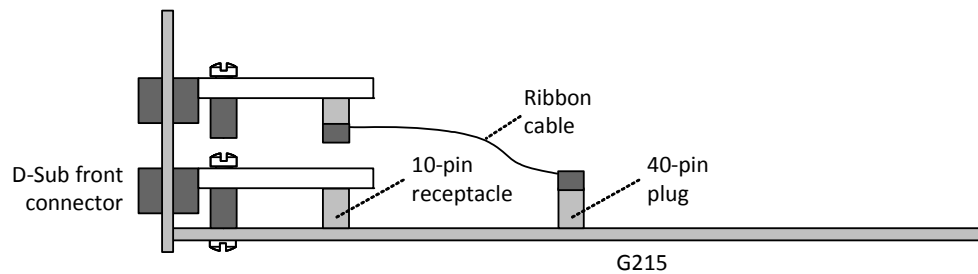
- ☑ Plug the 40-pin connector with the three prefolded ribbon cables to the 40-pin plug of the carrier board and close the metal locks.



Picture shows a similar board

- ☑ Plug the suitable 10-pin connector of the ribbon cable to the respective 10-pin SA-Adapter connector.  
Make sure to always align the pins correctly (pin 1 is marked by a triangle on the ribbon cable connector).
- ☑ Fasten the SA-Adapter at the front panel using the two screws that were supplied with the SA-Adapter in a separate bag.

**Figure 5.** Installing SA-Adapters via ribbon cable in slots X3, X4 and X5



- ☑ You can now reinsert the board and the additional front panel into your system. Make sure to fasten the SA-Adapter front panel appropriately in your enclosure!

**Figure 6.** G215 with one CAN-bus SA-Adapter on X2 and one RS232 SA-Adapter on X4



Picture shows a similar board

## 1.5 Integrating the Board into a System

You can use the following check list when installing the board in a system for the first time.

- Install the desired SA-Adapters on the G215. (See [Chapter 1.4 Installing SA-Adapters on page 17.](#))
- Power-down the system.
- Insert the G215 into a peripheral slot of your CompactPCI Serial system, making sure that the CompactPCI Serial connectors are properly aligned.

Note: The peripheral slots of every CompactPCI Serial system are marked by a circle with a plus sign behind it  $\odot$  on the backplane and/or at the front panel.

- Power-up the system.
- You can now install driver software for the G215 I/O interfaces.

## 1.6 Installing Driver Software

For a detailed description on how to install driver software please refer to the respective documentation.



You can find any driver software available for download on MEN's [website](#).

## 2 Functional Description

### 2.1 Power Supply

The G215 is supplied with a primary +12V voltage via the CompactPCI Serial connector P1. As an option, the board can also be supplied with +5V.

### 2.2 Board Configuration

The G215 has a fixed standard configuration for you to get started. However, the board is completely open for a final configuration that 100% suits your application.

In addition to the possible hardware configuration and assembly options explained in [Chapter 1.1 General Concept on page 14](#), the G215 also allows to include more advanced features. The basis of its flexibility is the G215's Altera Cyclone IV FPGA with 29,440 logic elements, 1,080 Kbits total RAM and 4 MB configuration Flash. See also [Chapter 3 FPGA on page 33](#).



In any case we recommend that you [contact our sales team](#) for tailor-made, custom assemblies. This chapter only summarizes the board's options.

#### 2.2.1 I/O Interfaces

The onboard FPGA permits many possible combinations of different standard IP cores for a total of eight interfaces. The assignment of connectors to the individual functions is just as flexible. (See also [Chapter 4.1 Assignment of Onboard Connectors to Front-Panel Slots on page 35](#).)



On its website MEN provides an [option matrix](#) that includes possible functions along with software support for the different operating systems and SA-Adapters that can be used as physical layers.



You can also find an overview of configuration options in the [G215 data sheet](#), also on MEN's website.

#### 2.2.2 Nios Soft Processor

The G215 can become more than a pure I/O board when inexpensive intelligence is added through a Nios soft core. A typical type would be the Nios II/f processor. It could be utilized, for instance, to pre-process data.

A suitable design environment is available from Altera.

#### 2.2.3 DDR2 SDRAM Memory

64 MB of DDR2 SDRAM memory can easily be added, e.g. as a buffer memory for more complex protocols. The SDRAM is also FPGA-controlled.

## 2.3 Standard Interfaces

### 2.3.1 CAN Bus Interfaces

The G215 offers two CAN interfaces on two 10-pin receptacle connectors for direct connection of MEN SA-Adapters, which have standard 9-pin D-Sub connectors.

The CAN controller is a standard IP core from MEN called 16Z029\_CAN. MEN offers a standard adapter for CAN bus, the SA8.

The interfaces support the 2.0 A/B CAN protocol. Typical CAN-bus bit rates are:

- 1 Mbit/s (maximum)
- 800 kbit/s
- 500 kbit/s
- 250 kbit/s
- 125 kbit/s
- 100 kbit/s
- 50 kbit/s (minimum)



Please see MEN's [website](#) for ordering information of SA-Adapters.  
 You can find more information in the [16Z029\\_CAN data sheet](#) on MEN's website.  
 Please see MEN's [website](#) for up-to-date driver software and documentation.  
 See also [Chapter 4.2 Literature and Web Resources on page 36](#) for literature on CAN bus.

#### 2.3.1.1 Connection

Connector types:

- 10-pin receptacle, 2.54 mm pitch, for SA-Adapter connection

Mating connector:

- 10-pin SA-Adapter plug

**Table 1.** Pin assignment of the 10-pin CAN bus receptacle connectors (X1/X2)

|  |   |   |        |   |        |
|--|---|---|--------|---|--------|
|  | 9 | - | 10     | - |        |
|  |   | 7 | -      | 8 | -      |
|  |   | 5 | -      | 6 | -      |
|  |   | 3 | CAN_TX | 4 | CAN_RX |
|  | 1 |   | GND    | 2 | VCC    |

**Table 2.** Signal mnemonics of CAN bus interfaces (X1/X2)

| Signal | Direction | Function                   |
|--------|-----------|----------------------------|
| CAN_RX | in        | CAN bus data receive line  |
| CAN_TX | out       | CAN bus data transmit line |
| GND    | -         | Reference potential        |
| VCC    | out       | Power supply               |



## 2.3.2 UART Interfaces

The G215 offers two standard UARTs that can be configured as a non-differential (single-ended) RS232, or differential RS422 (full duplex) or RS485 (half duplex) interface with full handshake support. The physical layers are defined through SA-Adapters, and can be set individually for each channel through software. (See software documentation for more details.)

MEN provides a range of standard adapters with different line interfaces, e.g. RS232, RS422/485, or IBIS.

The UART controller is a standard IP core from MEN called 16Z125\_UART.



Please see MEN's [website](#) for ordering information of SA-Adapters.

You can find more information in the [16Z125\\_UART data sheet](#) on MEN's website.

Please see MEN's [website](#) for up-to-date driver software and documentation.

The register set of the octal UART is fully 16550D compatible. Data rates up to 921 600 bit/s are possible, depending on the physical interface type selected.

### 2.3.2.1 Connection

All UART ports are available on the G215's 40-pin onboard connector. An adapter connector with ribbon cables is included in the standard delivery to spread the 40-pin connector to three SA-Adapter receptacles. (See [Chapter 1.4 Installing SA-Adapters on page 17.](#))

Note: Some SA-Adapters do not support all signals. Please refer to the user manual of the actually used SA-Adapter for details. See [Chapter 4.2 Literature and Web Resources on page 36.](#)

Connector types:

- 40-pin low-profile plug, 2.54 mm pitch, for ribbon-cable connection
- Mating connector:  
40-pin IDC receptacle, e.g. Elco Series 8290 IDC socket

**Table 3.** Pin assignment of UARTs (X3/X4) on the 40-pin connector for RS232

|   |    |        |    |        |               |
|---|----|--------|----|--------|---------------|
|   | 40 |        | 39 |        | Not used      |
|   | .. |        | .. |        |               |
|   | 32 |        | 31 |        |               |
|   | 30 | RI10#  | 29 | DCD10# | X3 UART       |
|   | 28 | CTS10# | 27 | DSR10# |               |
|   | 26 | RTS10# | 25 | DTR10# |               |
|   | 24 | RXD10  | 23 | TXD10  |               |
|   | 22 | +5V    | 21 | GND    |               |
|   | 20 | RI11#  | 19 | DCD11# | X4 UART       |
|   | 18 | CTS11# | 17 | DSR11# |               |
|   | 16 | RTS11# | 11 | DTR11# |               |
|   | 14 | RXD11  | 13 | TXD11  |               |
|   | 12 | +5V    | 11 | GND    |               |
|   | 10 |        | 9  |        | X5 binary I/O |
|   | .. |        | .. |        |               |
| 2 |    | 1      |    |        |               |

**Table 4.** Pin assignment of UARTs (X3/X4) on the 40-pin connector for RS422

|  |    |       |    |       |         |
|--|----|-------|----|-------|---------|
|  | 30 | RX10- | 29 | -     | X3 UART |
|  | 28 | TX10- | 27 | -     |         |
|  | 26 | -     | 25 | RX10+ |         |
|  | 24 | -     | 23 | TX10+ |         |
|  | 22 | +5V   | 21 | GND   |         |
|  | 20 | RX11- | 19 | -     | X4 UART |
|  | 18 | TX11- | 17 | -     |         |
|  | 16 | -     | 11 | RX11+ |         |
|  | 14 | -     | 13 | TX11+ |         |
|  | 12 | +5V   | 11 | GND   |         |

**Table 5.** Pin assignment of UARTs (X3/X4) on the 40-pin connector for RS485

|  |    |      |    |      |         |
|--|----|------|----|------|---------|
|  | 30 | -    | 29 | -    | X3 UART |
|  | 28 | D10- | 27 | -    |         |
|  | 26 | -    | 25 | -    |         |
|  | 24 | -    | 23 | D10+ |         |
|  | 22 | +5V  | 21 | GND  |         |
|  | 20 | -    | 19 | -    | X4 UART |
|  | 18 | D11- | 17 | -    |         |
|  | 16 | -    | 11 | -    |         |
|  | 14 | -    | 13 | D11+ |         |
|  | 12 | +5V  | 11 | GND  |         |

**Table 6.** Signal mnemonics of UART interfaces (X3/X4)

| Mode      | Signal | Direction | Function                     |
|-----------|--------|-----------|------------------------------|
| All modes | GND    | -         | Ground                       |
|           | +5V    | out       | +5V supply voltage           |
| RS422     | RX+/-  | in        | Differential receive data    |
|           | TX+/-  | out       | Differential transmit data   |
| RS485     | D+/-   | in/out    | Differential transceive data |
| RS232     | CTS    | in        | Clear to send                |
|           | DCD    | in        | Data carrier detected        |
|           | DSR    | in        | Data set ready               |
|           | DTR    | out       | Data terminal ready          |
|           | RI     | in        | Ring indicator               |
|           | RTS    | out       | Request to send              |
|           | RXD    | in        | Receive data                 |
|           | TXD    | out       | Transmit data                |

### 2.3.2.2 Setting the Physical Layer

The two UART channels can be configured individually as differential RS422 or RS485, or non-differential (single-ended) RS232 interfaces. The setting is made using driver software. For Windows MEN offers a driver installation package that allows easy configuration through the Device Manager. For Linux, VxWorks and QNX MEN also offers driver software that provides the necessary functions to write application software.

The following chapters give hints on how to make settings under the supported operating systems.

For further details on the different driver packages, please refer to the respective software documentation.



Please see MEN's [website](#) for up-to-date driver software and documentation.

### 2.3.2.3 Configuration under Windows

MEN's driver installation package (Installset) for Windows allows easy configuration through the Device Manager.

To do this, open the *Properties* page of each G215 UART device via the Windows Device Manager, select the *Port Interface* tab and choose the used physical interface.

You can find more details on the Windows Installset in the *F215 and G215 Windows Installset User Manual*.



You can download the Windows driver and user manual from MEN's [website](#).

### 2.3.2.4 Configuration under Linux

MEN provides a Linux driver that allows to configure the interface mode and baud rate.



You can download the Linux driver and documentation from MEN's [website](#).

The *baud\_base* parameter must be set to 1843200.

MEN's Linux driver supports the following values for the *mode* parameter:

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| <b>se</b>     | single ended (RS232)                         |
| <b>df_fdx</b> | differential, full duplex (RS422)            |
| <b>df_hdx</b> | differential, half duplex, with echo (RS485) |
| <b>df_hdx</b> | differential, half duplex, no echo (RS485)   |

The following examples show how to use the driver with G215.

#### Set all UART ports to RS232 mode

```
# modprobe men_lx_chameleon usePciIrq=1
# modprobe men_lx_frodo baud_base=1843200 mode=se,se
```

#### Set all UART ports to RS422 full-duplex mode

In order to change the settings, the driver needs to be removed first.

```
# rmmod men_lx_frodo
# modprobe men_lx_frodo baud_base=1843200 mode=df_fdx,df_fdx
```



Note: Most Linux kernels only support 4 UARTs by default. If you need more than 4 UARTs, add parameter *8250.nr\_uarts=48* to your kernel boot line in the bootloader or adjust kernel parameter *CONFIG\_NR\_8250\_UARTS* and recompile the kernel.

### 2.3.2.5 Configuration under VxWorks

MEN provides a VxWorks driver that provides comprehensive I/O control support to configure the interfaces.

You can find more details on MEN's VxWorks driver software in the driver's included HTML documentation.



You can download the VxWorks driver from MEN's [website](#).

The UART clock frequency must be set to 58982400. You can use driver function *Z25\_CreateDevice* or *Z25\_SetBaseBaud* to do this.

### 2.3.2.6 Configuration under QNX

MEN provides a QNX driver that allows configuration of the interfaces through QNX tool *stty*.

The *stty* tool together with MEN's QNX driver provides a large number of parameters to configure serial interfaces. MEN's driver includes options to set the physical interface itself. You can get details on the driver using QNX command *use devc-serz025*.



You can download the QNX driver from MEN's [website](#).

To get details on the driver use QNX command *use devc-serz025*.



You can find more information on *stty* also on the [QNX developer community website](#).

### 2.3.2.7 Supported Baud Rates

The G215 provides highly accurate baud rates. The following baud rates are supported and tested<sup>1</sup>.

**Table 7.** Supported and tested baud rates

| Desired Baud Rate [bit/s] | Supported with |       |       |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|
|                           | RS422          | RS485 | RS232 |
| 110                       | x              | x     | x     |
| 300                       | x              | x     | x     |
| 1200                      | x              | x     | x     |
| 2400                      | x              | x     | x     |
| 4800                      | x              | x     | x     |
| 9600                      | x              | x     | x     |
| 19200                     | x              | x     | x     |
| 38400                     | x              | x     | x     |
| 57600                     | x              | x     | x     |
| 115200                    | x              | x     | x     |
| 230400                    | x              | x     | x     |
| 460800                    | x              | x     |       |
| 921600                    | x              | x     |       |



Please note that at higher baudrates the system performance has to be sufficient to process the receive interrupts fast enough to prevent the internal FIFOs from overrunning. It may also be reasonable to reduce the FIFO trigger levels of the G215 UARTs.

<sup>1</sup> Other settings are possible but are not tested.

### 2.3.3 Binary I/O Interface

The G215 provides 8 I/O ports via a serial SPI interface. The GPIO controller with serial interface is a standard IP core from MEN called 16Z037\_GPIO.

MEN's standard binary I/O SA-Adapter, the SA15, de-serializes the SPI data stream and gives access to individual I/O lines at its peripheral connector.

You can control the I/O lines using MDIS5 driver software available from MEN. By default, the GPIOs are configured as inputs. This configuration can be changed through the driver software.



Please see MEN's [website](#) for ordering information of SA-Adapters.  
 You can find more information in the [16Z037\\_GPIO data sheet](#) on MEN's website.  
 Please see MEN's [website](#) for up-to-date driver software and documentation.

#### 2.3.3.1 Connection

The binary I/O signals are available on the G215's 40-pin onboard connector. An adapter connector with ribbon cables is included in the standard delivery to spread the 40-pin connector to three SA-Adapter receptacles. (See [Chapter 1.4 Installing SA-Adapters on page 17.](#))

Connector types:

- 40-pin low-profile plug, 2.54 mm pitch, for ribbon-cable connection
- Mating connector:  
40-pin IDC receptacle, e.g. Elco Series 8290 IDC socket

**Table 8.** Pin assignment of binary I/O lines (X5) on the 40-pin connector

|   |          |   |         |               |          |
|---|----------|---|---------|---------------|----------|
|   | 40       |   | 39      |               |          |
|   | ..       |   | ..      |               | Not used |
|   | 32       |   | 31      |               |          |
|   | 30       |   | 29      |               | X3 UART  |
|   | ..       |   | ..      |               |          |
|   | 22       |   | 21      |               |          |
|   | 20       |   | 19      |               | X4 UART  |
|   | ..       |   | ..      |               |          |
|   | 12       |   | 11      |               |          |
|   | 10       | - | 9       | -             |          |
| 8 | -        | 7 | BINSCS  | X5 binary I/O |          |
| 6 | -        | 5 | BINSCLK |               |          |
| 4 | BINSDOUT | 3 | BINSIN  |               |          |
| 2 | VCC +5V  | 1 | GND     |               |          |

**Table 9.** Signal mnemonics of binary I/O interface (X5)

| Signal   | Direction | Function                                       |
|----------|-----------|--|
| BINSCLK  | out       | Data clock (SPI interface)                     |
| BINSCS   | out       | Sync signal for the SPI data interface         |
| BINSDIN  | in        | Serial data for binary inputs (SPI interface)  |
| BINSDOUT | out       | Serial data for binary outputs (SPI interface) |
| GND      | -         | Digital ground                                 |
| VCC +5V  | out       | Power supply +5V DC                            |

## 2.4 Front-Panel LEDs

The G215 has four status LEDs at the front panel. Three of them are controlled through the onboard FPGA (MEN standard 16Z034\_GPIO controller). These lines are user LEDs driven by GPIO lines 0, 1 and 2. Programming these signals as outputs and driving them to logic 0 means the LED is turned on.



You can control the GPIO lines for the three user LEDs using MDIS5 driver software available on MEN's [website](#).

The green *FPGA configured* LED lights up as soon as the FPGA is loaded, i.e. when the UART interfaces are ready for operation.

**Table 10.** Front-panel LEDs

|             | LED No. / Color | Function   |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| 1 2 3 4<br> | 1 - red         | User LED, controlled through GPIO0   |
|             | 2 - yellow      | User LED, controlled through GPIO1   |
|             | 3 - yellow      | User LED, controlled through GPIO2   |
|             | 4 - green       | FPGA configured, lights up when the FPGA is loaded, <b>not</b> GPIO-controlled |

## 2.5 CompactPCI Serial

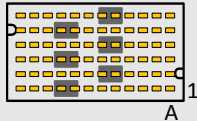
The G215 uses one PCI Express x4 link at the backplane according to the CompactPCI Serial specification (PICMG CPCI-S.0).

For a detailed description of the signals please refer to the CompactPCI Serial specification.

Connector type of P1:

- 72-pin Airmax VS 4 pair, right angle header, 6 IMLA with end walls

**Table 11.** Pin assignment of CompactPCI Serial P1 connector



|              |              |              |              |              |              |                |                |              |                  |              |              |   |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| PE_<br>Rx03- | PE_<br>Rx03+ | GND          | PE_<br>Tx03- | PE_<br>Tx03+ | GND          | PE_<br>Rx02-   | PE_<br>Rx02+   | GND          | PE_<br>Tx02-     | PE_<br>Tx02+ | GND          | 6 |
| GND          | PE_<br>Rx01- | PE_<br>Rx01+ | GND          | PE_<br>Tx01- | PE_<br>Tx01+ | GND            | PE_<br>Rx00-   | PE_<br>Rx00+ | GND              | PE_<br>Tx00- | PE_<br>Tx00+ | 5 |
| -            | -            | GND          | -            | -            | GND          | PE_<br>REFCLK- | PE_<br>REFCLK+ | GND          | -                | -            | GND          | 4 |
| -            | -            | -            | GA2          | -            | -            | GA1            | -              | -            | GA0              | -            | -            | 3 |
| -            | PCIE_<br>EN# | GND          | PE_<br>WAKE# | RST_<br>IN#  | GND          | Reserved       | Reserved       | GND          | IPMB_<br>S<br>DA | IPMB_<br>SCL | GND          | 2 |
| GND          | +12V         | +12V         | GND          | +12V         | +12V         | GND            | +12V           | +12V         | GND              | STNDBY       | +12V         | 1 |
| L            | K            | J            | I            | H            | G            | F              | E              | D            | C                | B            | A            |   |

### 2.5.1 Rear I/O on P3 and P4

The G215 offers the option of including customized rear I/O on CompactPCI Serial connectors P3 and P4. The interfaces are implemented using IP cores in the onboard FPGA. High-speed interfaces are also supported, with up to 128 signals.



For implementation options and pin assignments, please [contact our sales team](#).

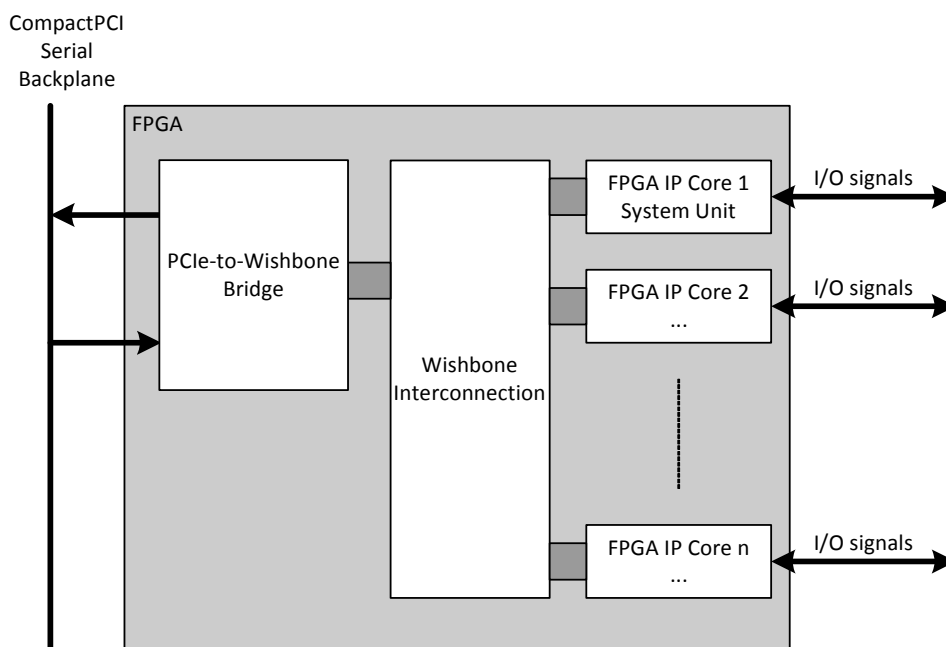


## 3 FPGA

### 3.1 General

The G215 provides an onboard FPGA. The component is a powerful Altera Cyclone IV EP4CGX device which contains a configuration of I/O modules (IP cores). The Wishbone bus is the uniform interface for module interconnections. Typically each implementation contains basic system functions such as reset and interrupt control etc. and the system library, which are also IP cores. The FPGA is connected to the backplane via a PCI Express to Wishbone bridge.

**Figure 7.** FPGA – Block diagram (exemplary)



A configuration table provides the information which modules are implemented in the current configuration. Furthermore the revision, the instance number (one module can be instantiated more than one time), the interrupt routing and the base address of the module are stored. At initialization time, the CPU has to read the configuration table to get the information of the base addresses of the included modules.

Note that with regard to the FPGA resources such as available logic elements or pins it is not possible to grant all possible combinations of the FPGA IP cores. The following chapter describes one possible configuration of the FPGA. Please ask our [sales staff](#) for other configurations.



You can find an overview and descriptions of all available FPGA IP cores on MEN's [website](#).



### 3.2 Standard Factory FPGA Configuration

The factory FPGA configuration for standard boards comprises the following FPGA IP cores:

- 16Z024-01\_Chameleon – Chameleon table
- 16Z091\_PCI – PCI-Express-to-Wishbone Bridge
- 16Z069\_RST – Reset controller
- 16Z052\_GIRQ – Interrupt controller
- 16Z126\_SERFLASH – Serial Flash controller
- 16Z029\_CAN – CAN controller (controls CAN X1)
- 16Z029\_CAN – CAN controller (controls CAN X2)
- 16Z125\_UART – UART controller (controls UARTs X3/X4)
- 16Z037\_GPIO – GPIO controller with serial interface (8 I/O lines on X5)
- 16Z034\_GPIO – GPIO controller (3 outputs for LEDs)

## 4 Appendix

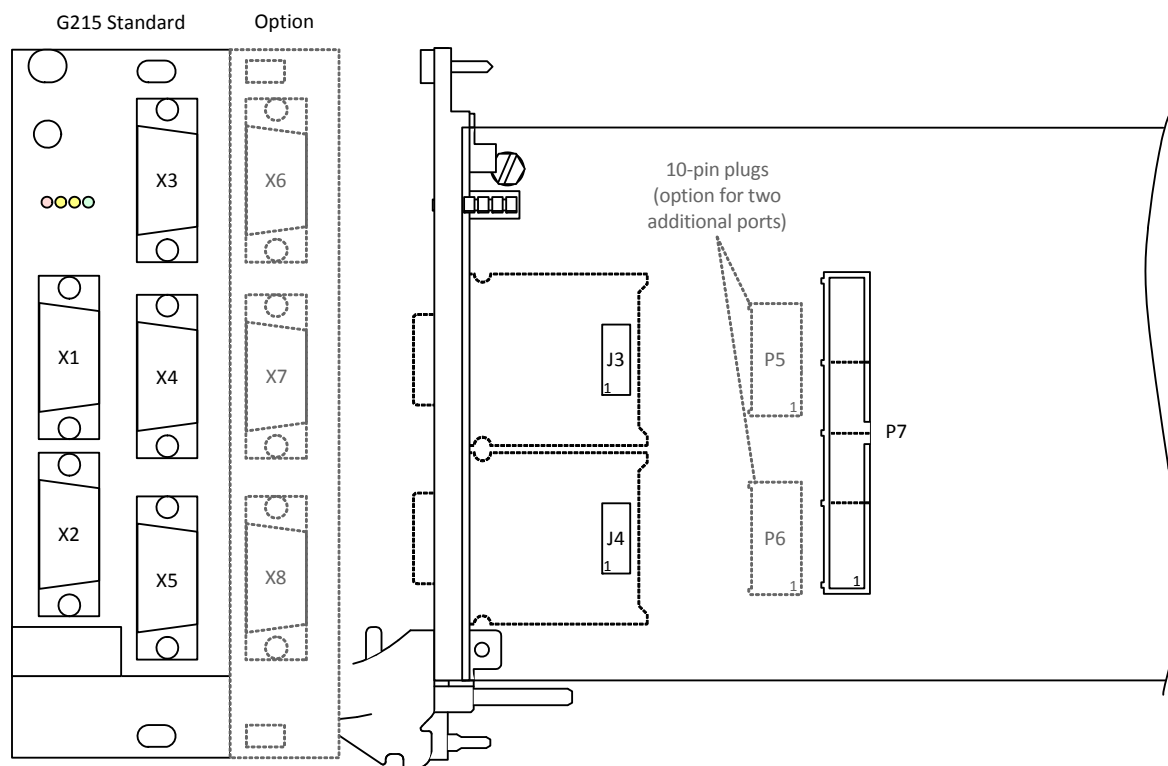
### 4.1 Assignment of Onboard Connectors to Front-Panel Slots

The interface designation by "Xn" is a generic numbering to facilitate allocation of the interfaces on the front panel. The following table and figure give an example assignment that includes the connector designations, based on the standard version of the board.

**Table 12.** Assignment of onboard connectors to front-panel slots

| Onboard Connector | Front-Panel Slot | Standard Function |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| J3                | X1               | CAN bus           |
| J4                | X2               | CAN bus           |
| P5                | X7               | Not used          |
| P6                | X8               | Not used          |
| P7, pins 1..10    | X5               | Binary I/O        |
| P7, pins 11..20   | X4               | UART              |
| P7, pins 21..30   | X3               | UART              |
| P7, pins 31..40   | X6               | Not used          |

**Figure 8.** Assignment of onboard connectors to front-panel slots





## 4.2 Literature and Web Resources

- G215 data sheet with up-to-date information and documentation:  
[www.men.de/products/02G215-.html](http://www.men.de/products/02G215-.html)
- MEN SA-Adapters:  
[www.men.de/products/search,SA--Adapters,accessories.1.html](http://www.men.de/products/search,SA--Adapters,accessories.1.html)

### 4.2.1 CAN Bus

- CAN in Automation e. V.  
[www.can-cia.de](http://www.can-cia.de)

### 4.2.2 CompactPCI Serial

- CompactPCI Serial Specification PICMG CPCI-S.0 Revision 1.0: 2011; PCI Industrial Computers Manufacturers Group (PICMG)  
[www.picmg.org](http://www.picmg.org)
- Introduction to CompactPCI Serial on Wikipedia:  
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## 4.3 Finding out the Board's Article Number, Revision and Serial Number

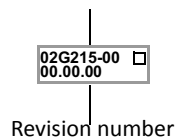
MEN user documentation may describe several different models and/or hardware revisions of the G215. You can find information on the article number, the board revision and the serial number on two labels attached to the board.

- **Article number:** Gives the board's family and model. This is also MEN's ordering number. To be complete it must have 9 characters.
- **Revision number:** Gives the hardware revision of the board.
- **Serial number:** Unique identification assigned during production.

If you need support, you should communicate these numbers to MEN.

**Figure 9.** Labels giving the board's article number, revision and serial number

Complete article number



Serial number