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What's New?

In the Technical Reference manual, the icon NEW ! has been added on the left margin to highlight information on new and updated features.

The changes linked to new features in version 16.0 are listed below:

New Hardware Revision for compatibility with Multicam 16.00

- See section "Hardware Edition History" on page 68

2 GB RAM required with Multicam 16.00

- See section "MTPC Board" on page 103
- See section "Hardware Edition History" on page 68

Compatibility of XT-VIA with other EVS servers on XNet

- See section "Required Conditions to Set up and Run XNet" on page 54

1. Overview

1.1. Presentation

Welcome to the EVS range of products and thank you for using an EVS XT3 6U server. We will do our best to satisfy your video production needs and we look forward to continuing working with you.

The EVS XT3 6U servers are full digital in PAL (625i), NTSC (525i), 720p, 1080i, and 1080p standards. These multi-channel, disk-based video servers are ideal for a wide range of broadcast applications, from sports and live production to playout and transmission.

XT3 6U servers are available in 4U chassis (4 codec modules) or 6U chassis (6 codec modules).

The XT3 6U servers offer flexible configurations up to 12 channels SD/HD, and optionally 3D or 1080p.

XT3 6U servers work with SAS disks: they are equipped with internal SAS disk array and/or can be connected to a SAS-HDX external SAS disk array.

They can be used with various third-party controllers, applications, and automation systems using industry-standard protocols such as Sony BVW75, VDCP, Odetics, DD35, IPDP, or EVS AVSP, EditRec, LinX API.

They natively support a wide range of HD Intra codecs, such as Mjpeg, VC-3, Avid DNxHD®, Apple ProRes®, Mpeg-2 Intra, Panasonic DVCPRO HD, AVC-Intra Class 100, XAVC-Intra HD, as well as SD Intra codecs.

The XT3 server can be operated in multi-essence configurations where the ingested material is directly and simultaneously available in one of the following supported combinations: Intra + Proxy (Mjpeg) or Intra only.

XT3 6U servers can also be controlled by EVS applications, among others:

Live Slow Motion (LSM): for sports production, including replays, highlights editing, and analysis tools like Split Screen to compare 2 synchronized actions side by side, Target Tracking and Painting to highlight a particular detail or provide tactical explanations.

IPDirector: a suite of Windows software applications designed to manage networked EVS video servers. Its applications make it possible to control multiple channels within the XNet network, as well as to log an event, to create and manage clips and play-lists with advanced functions, among others to extract clips from a VTR. It also provides extensive database search features.

2. Safety and Compliance

2.1. Safety

This equipment has been designed and tested to meet the requirements of the following:

- EN 60950 (European): Safety of information technology equipment including business equipment.
- IEC 950 (International): Safety of information technology equipment including business equipment.

In addition, this equipment has been designed to meet the following:

- UL 1950 - USA (USA): Safety of information technology equipment including business equipment.

2.2. Compliance Standards

This equipment complies with following EMC standards:

Standard	Area	Title
EN 55022	European	Emission Standard
EN 55024	European	Information Technology Equipment - Immunity characteristics - Limits and methods of measurement

This equipment complies with following TÜV standards:

Standard	Area	Title
IS 13252-1 **IEC 60950-1**	Indian International	Information Technology Equipment - Safety Part 1: General requirements

2.3. EMC Warning

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation.

If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.

- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

2.4. CE Marking

The CE marking is affixed to indicate compliance with the following directives:

- 89/336//EEC of 3 May 1989 on the approximation of the laws of the Members States to electromagnetic compatibility.
- 73/23/EEC of 19 February 1973 on the harmonization of the laws of the Members States relating to electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits.
- 1999/5/EC of 9 March 1999 on radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment and the mutual recognition of their conformity.

3. Hardware Specifications

3.1. Mechanical Dimensions and Weights

3.1.1. Rack Mount 4U Main Frame

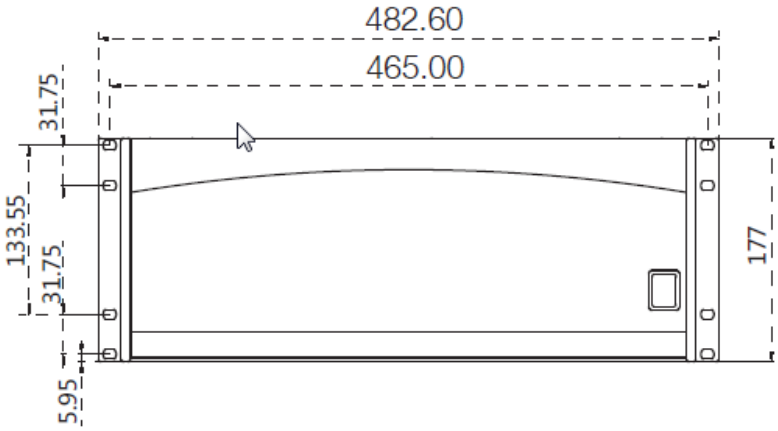
Weight

4U - 19 inches chassis with 6 HDD on RSAS board: 31 kg / 68.3 lb.

Dimensions

The following drawings provide the various dimensions, in mm, of the XT3 6U server with a 4U chassis.

Front View



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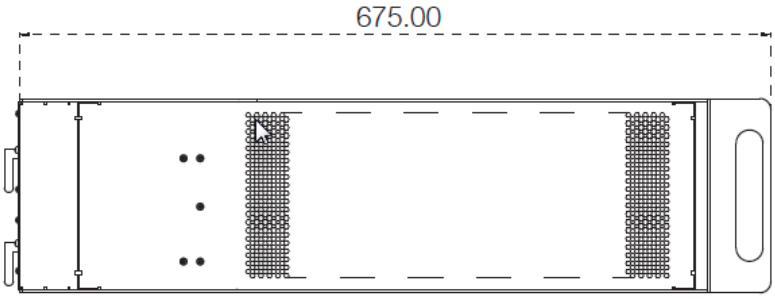

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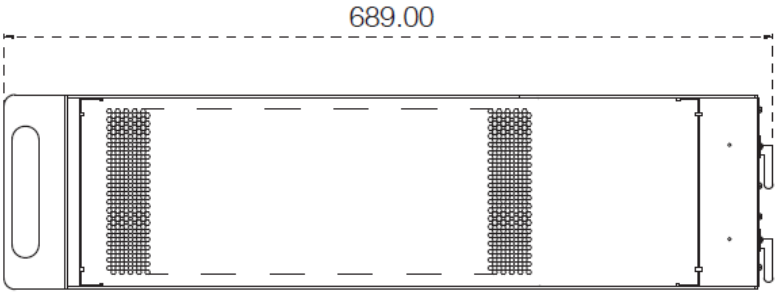

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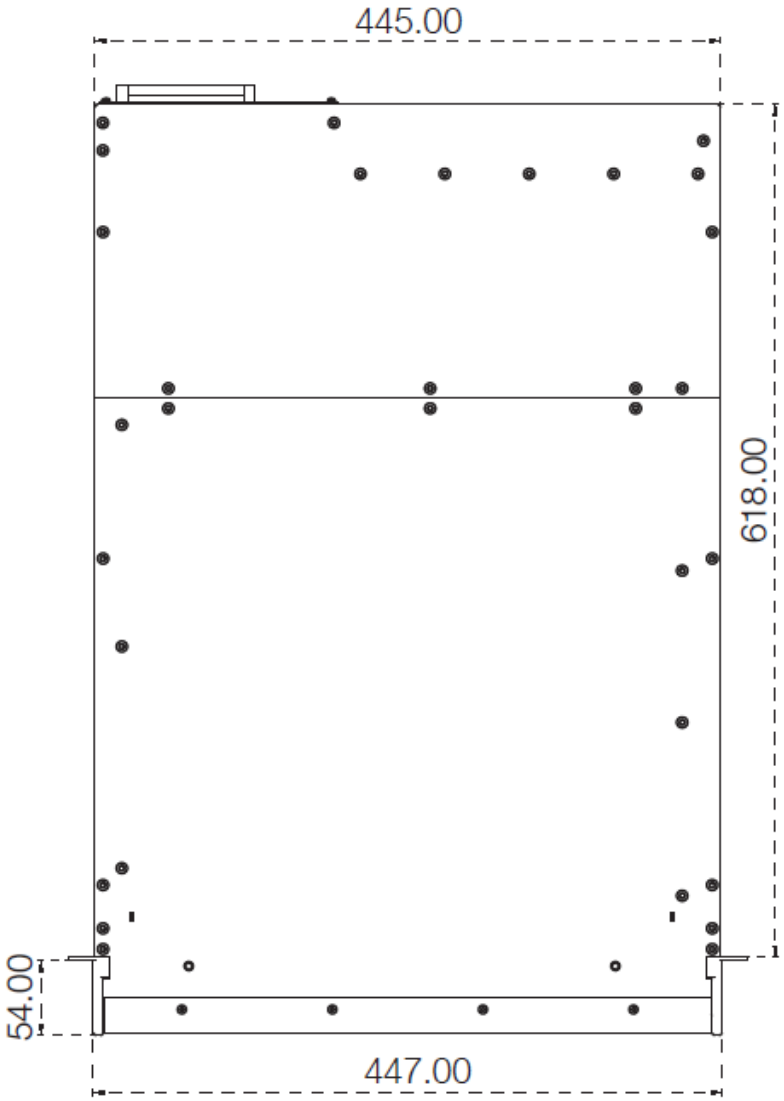


3.1.2. Rack Mount 6U Main Frame

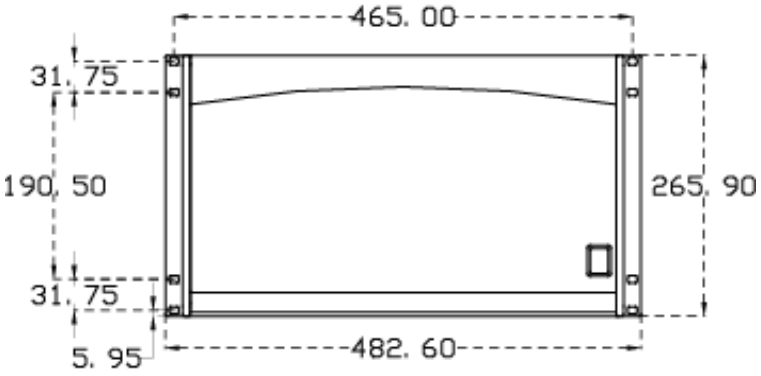
Weight

Disk Configuration	Weight
6U - 19 inches chassis with 6 HDD on RSAS board (fix mounted)	35 kg / 77.2 lb
6U - 19 inches chassis with 12 HDD on RSAS board (fix mounted)	37 kg / 81.6 lb
6U - 19 inches chassis with 6 HDD on hot swap rack	37 kg / 81.6 lb
6U - 19 inches chassis with 12 HDD on hot swap rack	39 kg / 86.0 lb

Dimensions

The following drawings provide the various dimensions, in mm, of the XT3 6U server with a 6U chassis.

Front view



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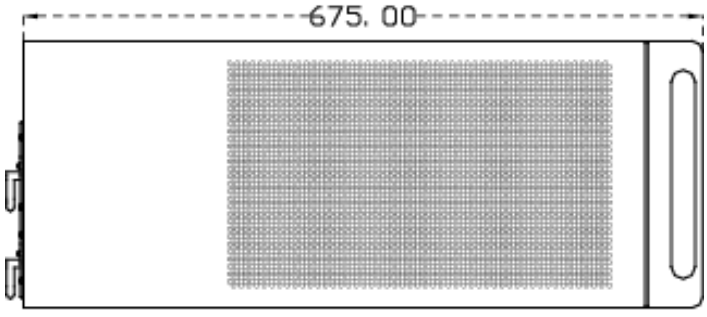

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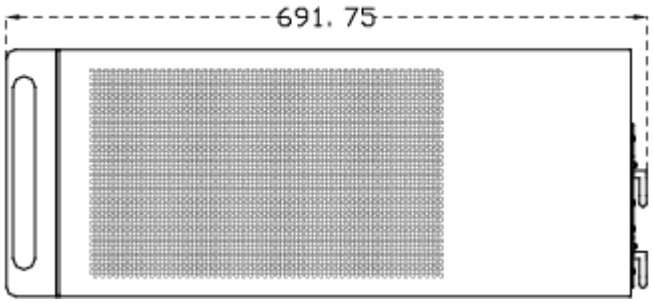
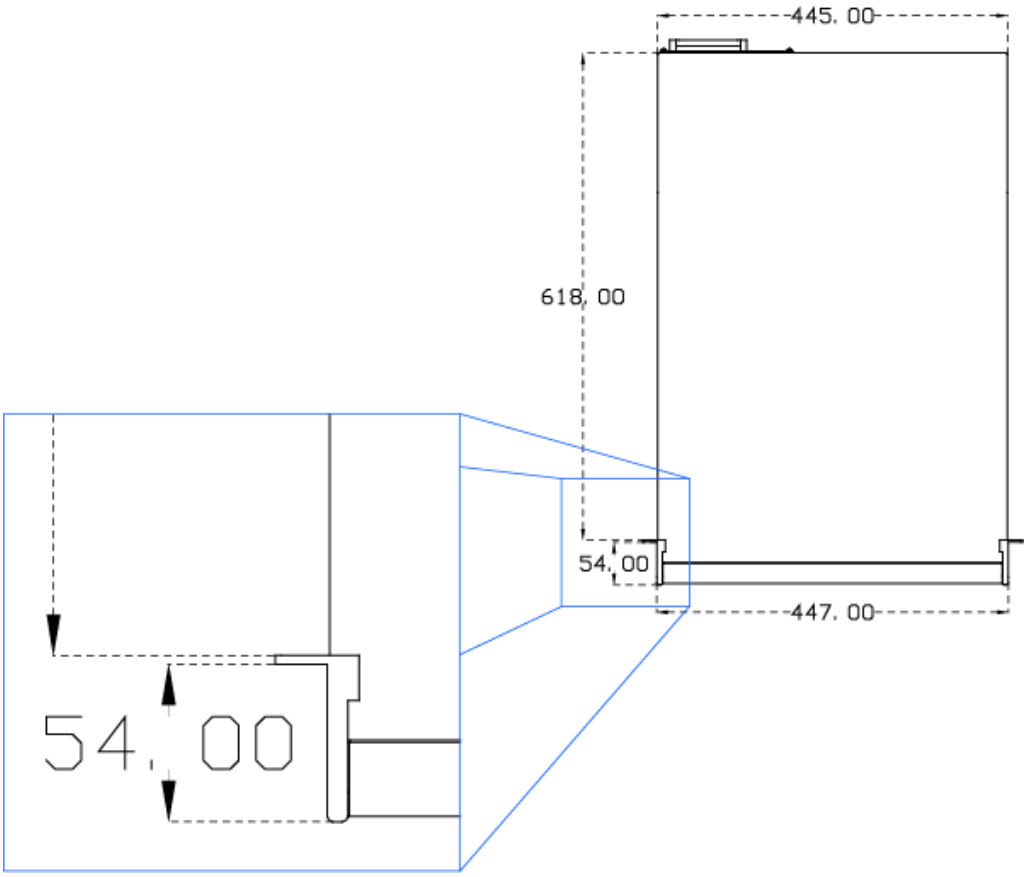
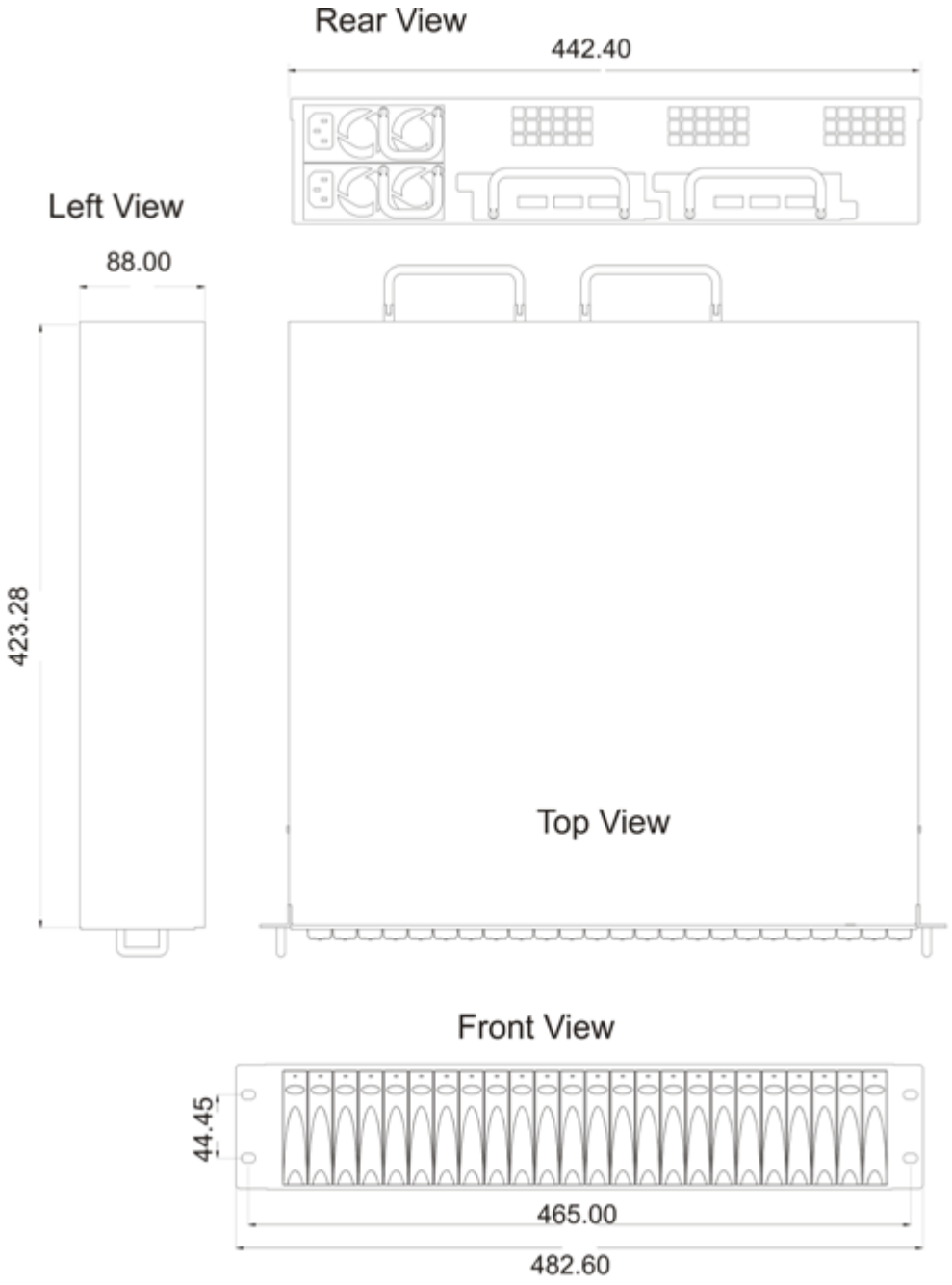


Top view



3.1.3. SAS-HDX Unit

The following drawings provide the various dimensions, in mm, of the SAS-HDX external array.



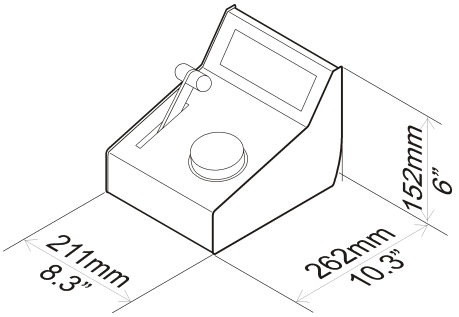
For more information on the SAS-HDX, refer to "External RAID Array SAS-HDX" on page 100.

3.1.4. Control Devices

The following control devices can optionally be connected to your server to control it.

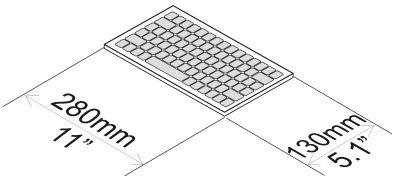
LSM Remote Control Panel

Weight: 2.9 kg / 6.3 lb.



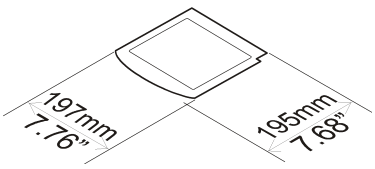
Keyboard

Weight: 0.4 kg / 0.9 lb.



Tablet

Weight: 0.3 kg / 0.66 lb. (Ref: Wacom® CTF-430 Bamboo One)



3.2. Power Supply

Redundant Power Supply

The server is fitted with two auto switching and hot-swappable power supplies.

The secondary hot-swappable power supply should be connected to the mains to allow automatic power switching to this second power supply should the first one fail.

Grounding

WARNING

The protective earth must be connected to the ground before powering up the unit.
Ensure the disk recorder unit is properly grounded at all times to avoid electrical shock hazard.

Electrical Specifications

Rated voltage: 115 to 240 VAC (single phase)

Rated frequency: 47-63 Hz

Input connector: CEE 22/IEC 320 3-pin male receptacle

Connection to supply: Pluggable equipment Type A (EN 60950 §1.2.5): Equipment which is intended for connection to the building power supply wiring via a non-industrial plug and socket-outlet or a non-industrial appliance coupler or both. Correct mains polarity must always be observed. Do not use reversible power plugs with this equipment.

Class of equipment: Class 1 equipment (EN 60950 § 1.2.5): electric shock protection by basic insulation and protective earth.

Electrical Consumption

The following electrical specifications are valid for the XT3 6U server:

Data Type	Voltage	Value
Inrush current (PSU plugged on power grid)	230 V	3.0 A
Maximal current (full load)	230 V	1.4 A
Inrush current (PSU plugged on power grid)	120 V	6.0 A
Maximal current (full load)	120 V	2.8 A
Maximal power consumption (full load)		320 W

3.3. Environmental Conditions

Operating

- Temperature: 10°C to + 45°C (50°F to 113°F) ambient with free air flow
- Relative humidity: 0% to 90% (non-condensing)
- Cooling requirements: Forced cooling air flow from right to left when looking at the EVS server from the back panel.
- Handling/movement: Designed for fixed use when in operation

Storage and Transport

- Temperature: 0°C to +70°C (32°F to 158°F)
- Relative humidity: 0% to 90% (non-condensing)

4. Software Specifications

4.1. Video Specifications

Video Standards

The following table lists the video specifications in SD, and HD and UHD-4K formats for your XT3 6U server.

	Standard Definition	High Definition	UHD-4K
Video Formats	525i 29.97 fields/sec (NTSC) 625i 25 fields/sec (PAL)	720p 50/59.9 fields/sec 1080i 50/59.94 fields/sec 1080p 50/59.94 fields/sec (Dual Link or 3G)	UHDTV-4K 50/59.94 fields/sec
Digital Interface	10-bit 4:2:2 Serial (ST 259:2008). Full frame synchronizer at input. Dual output for PLAY channels.	10-bit 4:2:2 Serial (ST 292-1:2011). Full frame synchronizer at input. Dual output for PLAY channels.	10-bit 4:2:2 Serial (ST 292-1:2011). Full frame synchronizer at input.
Number of Channels	2, 4, 6, 8* or 12* channels, reversible REC/PLAY	2, 4, 6, 8* or 12* channels, reversible REC/PLAY	up to 3 channels, reversible REC/PLAY
Monitoring & Down-converters	1 CVBS per channel, with OSD 1 SD SDI per channel, with OSD	1 built-in down-converter per channel, CVBS output with OSD 1 HD SDI output per channel, with OSD Additional clean SD SDI output	Via internal multiviewer
Reference	Analog Black Burst	Analog Black Burst and HD Tri-Level Sync	Analog Black Burst and HD Tri-Level Sync

* From a hardware point of view, six codec modules remain available on the backplane (on large chassis). However, it is possible to increase the number of connected record channels by connecting distinct recorders or players to the primary **and** the secondary connectors of a codec module.

The extended configurations available with the 8-Channel configurations license code (30), Channels Max license code (34) or Channels Max Spotbox license code (35), are described in the Configuration manual, Supported Configurations chapter.

SMPTE Standards

The following table lists the SMPTE standards supported by your server.

Configuration	SMPTE standard
SD SDI	ST 259:2008 (525i 59.94 Hz; 625i 50 Hz)
HD SDI	ST 292-1:2011, ST 292:2012 (720p 50 and 59.94 Hz; 1080i 50 and 59.94 Hz)
Embedded audio HD	ST 299-0:2010, ST 299-1:2009
AES/EBU audio	ST 272:2004
LTC	ST 12-1:2008, ST12-2:2008
D-VITC	ST 266:2012
Ancillary TC in HD	RP 188
Vertical Ancillary Data	ST 334:2000
VC-3	ST 2019-1:2008
IMX D-10	ST 356:2001
Dual Link 1.5 Gb/s	ST 372:2011
Mapping of Audio Metadata into Vertical Ancillary data	ST 2020-2:2008, ST 2020-3:2008
3G SDI	ST 424:2006
3G SDI – Data mapping	ST 425-B:2008

4.2. Audio Specifications

General Specifications

See section "Audio Channels" on page 47 for an overview on the possible audio hardware configurations.

- 4 additional analog balanced output channels for monitoring
- All audio connectors on mainframe
- The Lo-Res audio is Mpeg-1 Layer II at 48 kHz sampling frequency.
- The MADI interface supports 64 synchronous audio tracks @ 48KHz.

Maximum Number of Embedded or MADI Audio Channels

The 4U servers provide the following maximum number of embedded or MADI audio mono channels per video channel with intra codecs:

Configuration Mode	Embedded	MADI
4-channel configurations	4*32 audio mono (= 128 tracks)	4*32 audio mono (= 128 tracks)
6-channel configurations (former XRec)	7*16 audio mono (= 112 tracks)	7*16 audio mono (= 112 tracks)
ChannelMax configurations	8*16 audio mono (= 128 tracks)	8*16 audio mono (= 128 tracks)

The 6U servers provide the following maximum number of embedded or MADI audio channels per video channel with intra codecs:

Configuration Mode	Embedded	MADI
6-channel configurations	6*32 audio mono (= 192 tracks)	6*32 audio mono (= 192 tracks)
8-channel configurations (former XRec)	8*16 audio mono (= 128 tracks)	8*16 audio mono (= 128 tracks)
ChannelMax LSM configurations or ChannelMax Spotbox configurations	12*16 mono (=192 tracks)	12*16 mono (=192 tracks) if # IN ≤ 8 + LoRes 12*8 mono (= 96 tracks) if # IN > 8 + LoRes
UHD-4K	3*16 audio mono (=48 tracks)	3*16 audio mono (=48 tracks)

Audio Processing

- Uncompressed audio
- 24 bit processing and storage
- Sample rate converter from 25-55 kHz to 48 kHz
- Audio scrub
- Audio mix

4.3. Video Codecs and Bitrates

4.3.1. Supported Codecs

Codecs and Related License Codes

The XT3 6U server supports natively the video codecs presented in the table below when the required license code is valid.

The codecs corresponding to license codes 10 to 12 are installed by default on the XT3 6U server.

SD codecs	V3X Codec Board
DVCPro 50	code 9
Mjpeg (SD)	code 10
IMX	code 11
Mjpeg (Proxy codec)	code 32

HD codecs	V3X Codec Board
Avid DNxHD®	code 5
Apple ProRes 422, 422 LT, 422 HQ	code 6
DVCPro HD	code 8
Mjpeg Standard (HD) Mjpeg EVS (HD)	code 10
Mpeg-2 Intra (HD)	code 12
AVC-Intra XAVC-Intra HD	code 13

Target Bitrate Range and Default Values

The target bitrate of the encoded video stream can be set by the user within the accepted range: 8 to 100 Mbps for standard definition, 40 to 250 Mbps for high definition with the exception of Apple ProRes, Avid DNxHD® and DVCPro codecs working with defined bitrates.

The default values are Mjpeg 30 Mbps for standard definition and Mjpeg 100 Mbps for high definition.

Content Transfer Encoding and File Header

It is possible to perform the encoding process in 8-bit or 10-bit and to write a 10-bit file on selected codecs.

The following table summarizes the proposed configurations, valid for encoding and file header:

SD or HD Codecs	Encoding & File Header
DNxHD 120/145	8-bit
DNxHD 185/220	8-bit
DNxHD 185x/220x	10-bit
ProRes LT	10-bit
ProRes SQ	10-bit
ProRes HQ	10-bit
DVCPro HD	8-bit
Mjpeg	8-bit
Mpeg-2 Intra	8-bit
AVC-Intra	10-bit
XAVC-Intra HD	10-bit

4.3.2. Maximum Bitrates

These maximum values are valid for XT3 6U servers running Multicam version 12.02 or higher. They guarantee a smooth play and a browse at 100% speed on all channels simultaneously.

Codec	Format	2/4 ch (720p/1080i)	6-12 ch (720p/1080i)	2-6ch (1080p)	≥ 10 ch (3G SLSM)	4ch (3D)	4ch (3D SLSM 3x)	≤ 4 ch (UHD-4K)
SD Mjpeg	PAL	100	100	-	-	-	-	-
	NTSC	100	100	-	-	-	-	-
HD Mjpeg	PAL	225	180	-	-	180	100	-
	NTSC	250	180	-	-	180	100	-
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	PAL	225	180	-	-	180	-	-
	NTSC	250	180	-	-	180	-	-
Avid DNxHD®	PAL	185	185	367	130	185	100	200
	NTSC	220	220	440	130	220	100	200
Apple ProRes 422	PAL	185	185	367	-	185	85	-
	NTSC	220	220	440	-	220	102	-
DVCPro 50	PAL	50	50	-	-	-	-	-
	NTSC	50	50	-	-	-	-	-
DVCPro HD	PAL	100	100	-	-	100	-	-
	NTSC	100	100	-	-	100	-	-
AVC-Intra 100	PAL	111	111	222	-	110	-	-
	NTSC	111	111	222	-	110	-	-
XAVC-Intra HD	PAL	111	111	222	-	110	-	-
	NTSC	111	111	222	-	110	-	-

4.3.3. Internal Bandwidth

General Description

This section helps you select the most appropriate bitrate for the native codec(s) on the EVS server, on the basis of the internal bandwidth, the channel configuration, and the calculated number of real-time channels at the EVS server level.

The section therefore presents tables including the following parameters:

1. **Video Bitrate:** codec bitrate set by the user in the **Codec** section of the **Server** tab in the Multicam Configuration window.
2. **Fields/Block:** numbers of video fields that can be stored in one disk block, taking into account 8 audio tracks, in 1080i.
3. **Actual Bandwidth:** actual disk/network bandwidth required for the real-time record or real-time playback of one video stream and its associated audio tracks.
4. **Max. RT Channels:** maximum number of video channels (real-time record or real-time playback) that one EVS server can support for a given frame rate and bitrate.

   For a server running in a configuration with a given number of video channels, any additional real-time access can be used for transfers over the XNet (SDTI) network.

   The RT Channels calculation is based on the use of Seagate disks of 900 GB (10K8) configured in 5+1 raids. Such disks are able to write 400 MB/s.

Bandwidth and RT Channels at 50 Hz (PAL)

Codec	Field Rate (Hz)	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Fields/ Block	Block-based bandwidth (MB/s)	Max. RT Channels
Apple ProRes 422 LT	50.00	85	34	11.7	34
HD Mjpeg Standard	50.00	100	27	14.8	27
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	50.00	100	27	14.8	27
DVCPro HD	50.00	100	30	13.3	30
AVC-Intra 100	50.00	111	27	14.8	27
XAVC-Intra HD	50.00	111	27	14.8	27
Avid DNxHD® 120	50.00	120	24	16.6	24
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	50.00	120	24	16.6	24
Avid DNxHD® 185	50.00	185	16	25.0	16
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	50.00	185	16	25.0	16

Bandwidth and RT Channels at 150 Hz (PAL SLSM 3x)

Codec	Field Rate (Hz)	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Fields/ Block	Block-based bandwidth (MB/s)	Max. RT Channels
Apple ProRes 422 LT	150.00	85	11	35.3	11
HD Mjpeg Standard	150.00	100	9	44.4	9
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	150.00	100	9	44.4	9
DVCPro HD	150.00	100	10	40.0	10
AVC-Intra 100	150.00	111	9	44.4	9
XAVC-Intra HD	150.00	111	9	44.4	9
Avid DNxHD® 120	150.00	120	8	50.0	8
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	150.00	120	8	50.0	8
Avid DNxHD® 185	150.00	185	5	75.0	5
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	150.00	185	5	80.0	5

Bandwidth and RT Channels at 59.94 Hz (NTSC)

Codec	Field Rate (Hz)	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Fields/ Block	Block-based bandwidth (MB/s)	Max. RT Channels
Apple ProRes 422 LT	59.94	100	34	14.1	28
HD Mjpeg Standard	59.94	100	33	14.5	27
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	59.94	100	33	14.5	27
DVCPro HD	59.94	100	35	13.7	29
AVC-Intra 100	59.94	111	33	14.5	27
XAVC-Intra HD	59.94	111	33	14.5	27
Avid DNxHD® 145	59.94	145	23	20.8	19
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	59.94	145	25	19.2	20
Avid DNxHD® 220	59.94	220	16	30.0	13
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	59.94	220	16	30.0	13

Bandwidth and RT Channels at 180 Hz (NTSC SLSM 3x)

Codec	Field Rate (Hz)	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Fields/ Block	Block-based bandwidth (MB/s)	Max. RT Channels
Apple ProRes 422 LT	179.82	85	11	42.3	9
HD Mjpeg Standard	179.82	100	11	43.6	9
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	179.82	100	11	43.6	9
DVCPro HD	179.82	100	12	41.1	9
AVC-Intra 100	179.82	111	11	43.6	9
XAVC-Intra HD	179.82	111	11	43.6	9
Avid DNxHD®	179.82	145	8	62.5	6
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	179.82	145	8	57.4	6
Avid DNxHD®	179.82	220	5	89.9	4
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	179.82	220	5	89.9	4

Real-Time Channel Calculation

Rule

The maximum server bandwidth depends on the disks. Based on the assumption that Seagate disks of 900 GB (10K8) are used in 4+1 raids, the disks will be able to write 400 MB/s, and the maximum server bandwidth is therefore 400 MB/s.

For a mixed configuration with standard and super motion channels on the same EVS server, the following calculation must be used to ensure that the settings do not exceed the maximum bandwidth of the server, that is to say 400 MB/s:

```
    (nbr of standard channels x their block-based bandwidth)
+ (nbr of super motion channels x their block-based bandwidth)
```

For a multi-essence configuration, a similar calculation is used, and the results cannot exceed the maximum server bandwidth:

```
    (nbr of standard channels x their block-based bandwidth)
    + (nbr of XDCAM channels x their block-based bandwidth)
    /(nbr of Lo-Res channels x their block-based bandwidth)
```

Example with Standard and Supermotion Channels

Can I run an XT3 6U server with 2 record channels (1xSLSM 3x + 1 HD standard) + 2 play channels (1xSLSM 3x + 1HD standard) in Avid DNxHD® with a video bitrate of 120 Mbps in PAL ?

Calculation:

- 1 standard rec/play at 120 Mbps uses 16.6 MB/s
- 1 super motion record/play at 120 Mbps uses 50.0 MB/s
- All channels will use: 2 x 16.6 + 2 x 50.0 = 133.2 MB/s.

Conclusion: this configuration is supported as it is lower than 400 MB/s.

4.3.4. Recording Capacities

Disk Storage

The disk storage, on SAS disks, can be as follows, with a total of up to 84 disks:

- internal storage only: 6 or 12 x 900 GB or 1.8 TB SAS disks
- external storage only: up to 4 arrays with 24 x 900 GB or 1.8 TB SAS disks, with or without spare disks
- both internal and external storage.

Warning
The sum of internal and external disk storage on an XT3 6U server cannot exceed 40 TB. This limit will be reached with 60 disks of 900 GB.

RAID Level: 3

The video RAID uses striping process across 5 or 6 disk drives. The video and audio data is striped over the first 4 or 5 drives while the parity information is saved on the fifth or sixth drive.

If one drive is damaged, the video RAID can use the parity information to recover the missing information, so that operation can continue seamlessly without bandwidth loss.

Recording Capacity Figures

The following tables show the recording capacity, in hours, for different video bitrates for:

- 1 record channel, that is: 1 video + 4 stereo audio tracks in SD or 1 video + 8 stereo audio tracks in HD.
- With the Operational Disk Size parameter set to 100%.
- With arrays of 900 GB disks.
- Without activating the SMPTE 334M packages.

Tip
The table figures should be multiplied by 2 for 1.8 TB disk arrays.

Recording Capacity in Hours for 5 Disks (4+1) RAID Configuration – 50Hz

The recording capacity is specified for up to 10 disks. You can obviously use many more disks to reach the recording capacity limit.

	DNxHD 100	DNxHD 120
# RAID Units	8 audios	8 audios
1	63	56
2	127	113
3	190	169
4	254	225
5	317	282
6	380	338
7	444	395
8	507	451
9	571	507
10	634	564

Recording Capacity in Hours for 6 Disks (5+1) RAID Configuration – 50Hz

The recording capacity is specified for up to 10 disks. You can obviously use many more disks to reach the recording capacity limit.

	DNxHD 100	DNxHD 120
# RAID Units	8 audios	8 audios
1	79	70
2	159	141
3	238	211
4	317	282
5	396	352
6	476	423
7	555	493
8	634	564
9	713	634
10	792	704

Recording Capacity in Hours for 5 Disks (4+1) RAID Configuration – 59.94Hz

The recording capacity is specified for up to 10 disks. You can obviously use many more disks to reach the recording capacity limit.

	DNxHD 100	DNxHD 145
# RAID Units	8 audios	8 audios
1	64	47
2	128	94
3	192	141
4	256	188
5	320	235
6	384	282
7	448	329
8	512	376
9	576	423
10	640	470

Recording Capacity in Hours for 6 Disks (5+1) RAID Configuration – 59.94Hz

The recording capacity is specified for up to 10 disks. You can obviously use many more disks to reach the recording capacity limit.

	DNxHD 100	DNxHD 145
# RAID Units	8 audios	8 audios
1	80	58
2	160	116
3	240	174
4	320	232
5	400	290
6	480	348
7	560	406
8	640	464
9	720	522
10	800	580

4.4. Network Transfers

4.4.1. XNet Transfers

Rule

This section provides figures on transfer speeds for jobs processed by the XNet (SDTI) network.

The section presents data in tables including the following parameters:

1. **Field Rate:** field frequency used, or number of video fields transferred per second.
2. **Video Bitrate:** codec bitrate set by the user in the **Codec** section of the **Server** tab in the Multicam Configuration window.
3. **RT Transfers:** maximum number of simultaneous transfers of A/V data that can be processed for the given frame rate and video bitrate through the SDTI network.

   Calculation formula: `Maximum SDTI bandwidth / actual block-based bandwidth = real-time transfers`

When A/V data is transferred through the XNet network, you should take into account the following maximum bandwidths on an SDTI 3 Gbps network:

- 200 MB/s for transfers between EVS servers with H3X boards and HX3P boards.
- 240 MB/s for transfers between EVS server having only H3XP boards.

Example in HD

How many real time transfers can I do over an XNet network if I work with Apple ProRes 422 at 120 Mbps in PAL?

Calculation: Maximum SDTI bandwidth / Actual bandwidth = real time transfers

240 MB/s / 16.6 MB/s = 14.4 real time transfers for SDTI 3 Gbps

This is the maximum real-time transfers the network connection can support.

Example in UHD-4K

How many real time transfers can I do over an XNet network if I work with Avid DNxHD® at 200 Mbps (x4) in PAL?

Calculation: Maximum SDTI bandwidth / Actual Bandwidth = real time transfers

240 MB/s / 22.2 MB/s /4 = 2.7 real time transfers for SDTI 3 Gbps.

This is the maximum real-time transfers the network connection can support.

It is obviously also necessary that the XT3 6U where the material is stored has enough local disk bandwidth to feed the network accesses, on top of its own local channels (see Max. RT Channels).

XNet Transfers

The maximum number of real-time channels between EVS servers through the SDTI ports of the XT3 6U server are summarized in the following table.

The following tables take into account a field rate of 50.00 Hz, the resolution HD 1080i, without SLSM REC, and the maximum reference bandwidth of 240 MB/s on an SDTI network of 3 Gbps.

NOTE

The transfer speed in real-time for a single A/V stream is 10% lower compared to the number of real-time transfers.
For example, a single transfer will be processed 18.3x faster than real-time for Apple ProRes 422 LT.

Codec	Field Rate	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	RT Transfers (3G SDTI)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	50.00 Hz	85	11.7	20
HD Mjpeg Standard	50.00 Hz	100	14.8	16
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	50.00 Hz	100	14.8	16
DVCPro HD	50.00 Hz	100	13.3	18
AVC-Intra 100	50.00 Hz	111	14.8	14
XAVC-Intra HD	50.00 Hz	111	14.8	14
Avid DNxHD® 120	50.00 Hz	120	16.6	12
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	50.00 Hz	120	16.6	12
Avid DNxHD® 185	50.00 Hz	185	25.0	9
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	50.00 Hz	185	25.0	9

4.4.2. Gigabit Ethernet Transfers

General Description

This section provides empirical figures on real-time transfers for backup and restore jobs processed by the GbE network. The GbE bandwidth however relies on the customer network behavior, which depends on external conditions, and partly on the EVS servers.

WARNING

The observations and data focus on steady rates: the transfer performances with small clips will be lower as they generate a lot of starts and ends of sessions.

The section presents data in tables including the following parameters:

1. **Field Rate:** field frequency used, or number of video fields transferred per second.
2. **Video Bitrate:** codec bitrate set by the user in the **Codec** section of the **Server** tab in the Multicam Configuration window.
3. **RT Transfers:** maximum number of simultaneous transfers of A/V data that can be processed for the given frame rate and video bitrate through the GbE network.

   Calculation formula: `Maximum GbE bandwidth / actual block-based bandwidth = real-time transfers`
4. **Transfer Speed:** transfer speed for a single transfer expressed in faster than-real time speed. The calculation formula is the same with a reference GbE bandwidth that is slightly smaller.

Reference Bandwidth

The table below specifies the reference GbE bandwidth used for calculations in this section. However, the effective bandwidth depends on network behavior, which only partly relies on the EVS server.

Gigabit Connection Type	Real-Time Transfers		Single Transfer Speed	
	Backup	Restore	Backup	Restore
1GbE (GbE board)	90 MB/s	70 MB/s	80 MB/s	70 MB/s
2GbE (LACP teaming)	180 MB/s	140 MB/s	80 MB/s	70 MB/s
10GbE (GbE board)	220 MB/s	140 MB/s	150 MB/s	80 MB/s

Backup Transfers

The maximum transfer speed through one port the GbE board on an XT3 6U server in 1080i , without SLSM REC, are summarized in the following tables.

The data is available for:

- one 1GbE and 10 GbE port of the GbE board
- field rates of 50.00Hz (PAL) and 59.94Hz (NTSC)

1GbE Connection (PAL)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	85	11.7	7.6x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.8	6.0x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.8	6.0x
DVCPro HD	100	13.3	6.7x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.8	6.0x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.8	6.0x
Avid DNxHD® 120	120	16.6	5.4x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	120	16.6	5.4x
Avid DNxHD® 185	185	25.0	3.6x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	185	25.0	3.6x

1GbE Connection (NTSC)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	100	14.1	6.4x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.5	6.2x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.5	6.2x
DVCPro HD	100	13.7	6.5x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.5	6.2x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.5	6.2x
Avid DNxHD® 145	145	20.8	4.3x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	145	19.2	4.7x
Avid DNxHD® 220	220	30.0	3.0x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	220	30.0	3.0x

10GbE Connection (PAL)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	RT Transfers	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	85	11.7	18.7	17.0x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.8	14.8	13.5x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.8	14.8	13.5x
DVCPro HD	100	13.3	16.5	15x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.8	14.8	13.5x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.8	14.8	13.5x
Avid DNxHD® 120	120	16.6	13.2	12x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	120	16.6	13.2	12x
Avid DNxHD® 185	185	25.0	8.8	8x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	185	25.0	8.8	8x

10 GbE Connection (NTSC)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	RT Transfers	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	100	14.1	15.6	14.1x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.5	15.1	13.7x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.5	15.1	13.7x
DVCPro HD	100	13.7	16.0	14.6x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.5	15.1	13.7x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.5	15.1	13.7x
Avid DNxHD® 145	145	20.8	10.5	9.6x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	145	19.2	11.4	10.4x
Avid DNxHD® 220	220	30.0	7.3	6.6x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	220	30.0	7.3	6.6x

Restore Transfers

The maximum transfer speed through one port the GbE board on an XT3 6U server in 1080i , without SLSM REC, are summarized in the following tables.

The data are available for:

- one 1GbE and 10 GbE port of the GbE board
- field rates of 50.00Hz (PAL) and 59.94Hz (NTSC)

1GbE Connection (PAL)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	85	11.7	5.9x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.8	4.7x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.8	4.7x
DVCPro HD	100	13.3	5.2x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.8	4.7x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.8	4.7x
Avid DNxHD® 120	120	16.6	4.2x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	120	16.6	4.2x
Avid DNxHD® 185	185	25.0	2.8x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	185	25.0	2.8x

1GbE Connection (NTSC)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-Based Bandwidth (MB/s)	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	100	14.1	4.9x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.5	4.8x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.5	4.8x
DVCPro HD	100	13.7	5.1x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.5	4.8x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.5	4.8x
Avid DNxHD® 145	145	20.8	3.3x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	145	19.2	3.6x
Avid DNxHD® 220	220	30.0	2.3x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	220	30.0	2.3x

10GbE Connection (PAL)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-based Bandwidth (MB/s)	RT Transfers	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	85	11.7	11.9	6.8x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.8	9.4	5.4x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.8	9.4	5.4x
DVCPro HD	100	13.3	10.5	6.0x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.8	9.4	5.4x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.8	9.4	5.4x
Avid DNxHD® 120	120	16.6	8.4	4.8x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	120	16.6	8.4	4.8x
Avid DNxHD® 185	185	25.0	5.6	3.2x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	185	25.0	5.6	3.2x

10GbE Connection (NTSC)

Codec	Video Bitrate (Mbps)	Block-based Bandwidth (MB/s)	RT Transfers	Transfer Speed (faster than RT)
Apple ProRes 422 LT	100	14.1	9.9	5.6x
HD Mjpeg Standard	100	14.5	9.6	5.5x
HD Mpeg-2 Intra	100	14.5	9.6	5.5x
DVCPro HD	100	13.7	10.2	5.8x
AVC-Intra 100	111	14.5	9.6	5.5x
XAVC-Intra HD	111	14.5	9.6	5.5x
Avid DNxHD® 145	145	20.8	6.7	3.8x
Apple ProRes 422 SQ	145	19.2	7.3	4.1x
Avid DNxHD® 220	220	30.0	4.6	2.6x
Apple ProRes 422 HQ	220	30.0	4.6	2.6x

Simultaneous Backup and Restore

The backup sessions reach higher bandwidth and pre-empt the bandwidth against the restore sessions. On a 'per session' base, the system allocates between 3.75 and 6 times more bandwidth to backup session than to restore session.

The gigabit prioritization mechanism is not impacted by the rule specified above.

4.5. Video Interpolation

Introduction

The playing back of smooth slow motion pictures carries specific issues: since some fields must be repeated at regular interval to provide the video at the playback speed required by the operator, parity violation appears regularly on the output video signal. This issue is specific to interlaced formats (525i, 625i and 1080i) and does not concern progressive formats (720p and 1080p).

If O and E represent respectively the odd and even fields of a standard video signal (50/60 Hz), we have:

The original video signal:

- O E O E O E O E O E O E O E

The output video signal at 50% speed:

- O **O** **E** E O **O** **E** E O **O** **E** E O **O** **E** E

The output video signal at 33% speed:

- O **O** O E **E** E O **O** O E **E** E O **O** O E

The output video signal at 25% speed :

- O **O** O **O** **E** E **E** E O **O** O **O** **E** E **E** E

Fields with parity violation are shown in bold, underlined letters. As it appears from the above table, whatever the playback speed (with the exception of the normal 100% playback speed), a number of fields violate the normal parity of the output signal. This parity violation induces a 1-line shift of the field, resulting in a vertical jitter of the picture. The jitter frequency depends upon the chosen playback speed.

To avoid this phenomenon and provide a stable output picture, EVS developed 2 types of line interpolator: 2-line and 4-line interpolators. The interpolation process can be enabled or disabled by the operator on all EVS slow motion systems.

2-Line Interpolator

The 2-line interpolator actually generates a new field, when the original field is in parity violation. Each line of this new field is calculated by a weighted average of the 2 neighboring lines. This process solves the problem of parity violation and vertical jitter, but the drawback is a reduction of the vertical resolution on the interpolated fields, that appear unfocused. Another side effect is the alternation of original fields (perfectly focused) and interpolated fields (unfocused), resulting in a "pumping" video signal.

4-Line Interpolator

The 4-line interpolator uses a more sophisticated calculation based on the 4 neighboring lines. By using suitable coefficients for the weight of each line in the resulting calculation, we apply this interpolation to all fields. The final result is a permanently, slightly unfocused picture. The advantage is a stable output signal with no jitter and no "pumping", but the vertical bandwidth is even more reduced.

The interpolator is of course always disabled at 100% playback speed, because there is no parity violation.

EVS uses the same techniques with the Super Slow Motion disk recorder, working with all models of Super Motion cameras (150/180 Hz). The only difference between the processing of Super Motion and normal scan (50/60 Hz) signals is that the interpolator is always disabled at 33% playback speed, because the Super Motion signal does not cause parity violation at this particular speed.

Whatever the choice, the resulting picture is thus always a compromise between stability and resolution. With EVS systems, the operator always has the choice between any of the 3 above described techniques: no interpolation, 2-line interpolation or 4-line interpolation. Even if the operator chooses to use the interpolation, this process will be automatically disabled when not necessary (100% playback for 50/60 Hz signal, 33% and 100% playback for 150/180 Hz signal).

NOTE

All professional VTRs use line interpolation in PlayVar mode to avoid vertical jitters.
Default value is interpolator off for all configurations except SLSM configurations in which 4-line interpolator mode is enabled.

5. Hardware Installation and Cabling

5.1. Rack Installation

Unpacking

Upon receipt of the equipment examine packing for obvious signs of damage. If damaged, do not unpack and inform the carrier immediately. Check thanks to the included packing list if all the items are present and if they show any mechanical damage. If yes, report damage or the missing parts to EVS or their appropriate representative.

Ventilation and Rack Mounting

Adequate ventilation is obviously required for optimum performance. As a result of this consideration, ensure that no other equipment is located close to the mainframe.

WARNING

- Remember that fans are used to air cool the equipment and protect it from overheating.
- Do not block fans intakes during operations.

Having regard to the weight of the server chassis, support guides are required for this unit into the rack mount. The front ears of the unit are not designed to support its full weight. Applying full weight on these might result in bending the metal plate.

Boards Checking

The main power switch is located at the front side (lower right corner) of the unit.

Before turning on the power, open the front door of Video disk recorder unit to check if all boards fit into their guides. If a board is out of its guides, remove carefully the board and replace it in the same slot.

5.2. Rear Panel Description

5.2.1. Rear Panel Configurations

The XT3 6U server comes in the following rear panel variants:

- 6U rack with 6 codec modules and various optional audio connectors.
- 4U rack with 4 codec modules and various optional audio connectors.

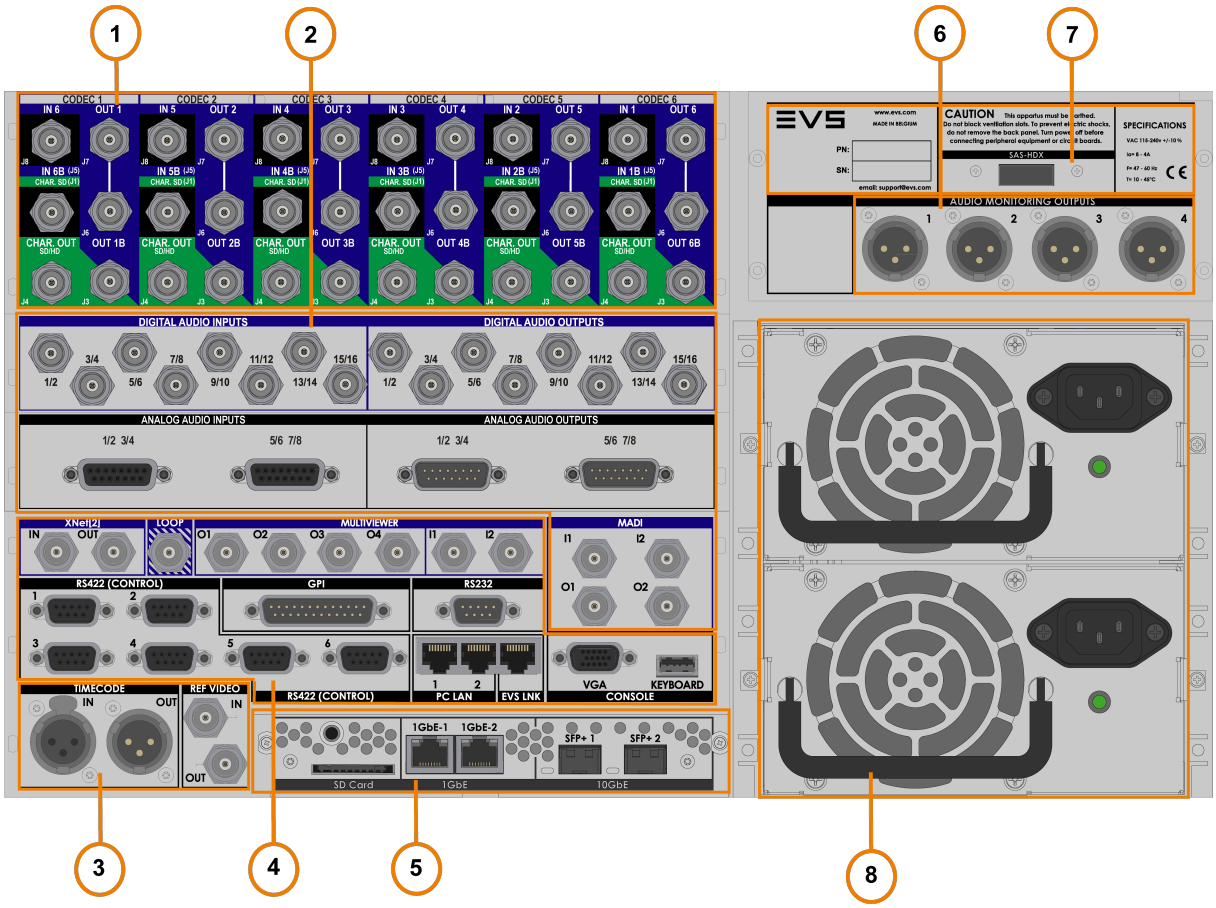
The different available configurations and the connectors positions and types for each of these variants are described in the following topics.

5.2.2. 6U Rear Panel Layout

Rear Panel Areas

The following drawing represents an example of a 6U rear panel available on an XT3 server.

The various areas of the rear panel are highlighted in the drawing and their respective variants are listed in the sections below along with a short description of the related connectors.

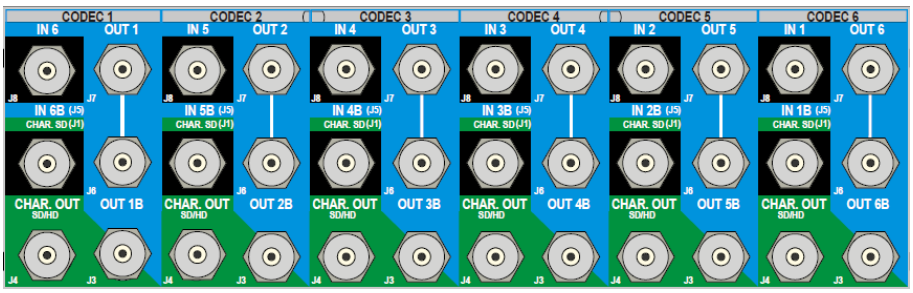


Video and Codecs 1

The codec modules allow connections for recording and playback of video material. Each connector on a codec module is connected to the corresponding J connector on the COD A or COD B module of a V3X board.

See section "V3X Video and Reference Boards" on page 70 for more details on each connector specific usage according to the different configurations.

The video and codec connector layout available with the XT3 6U server includes 6 codec modules:



Audio 2

This section shows the available associations of analog and digital connectors.

The audio connector layouts described in this section are available according to your configuration.

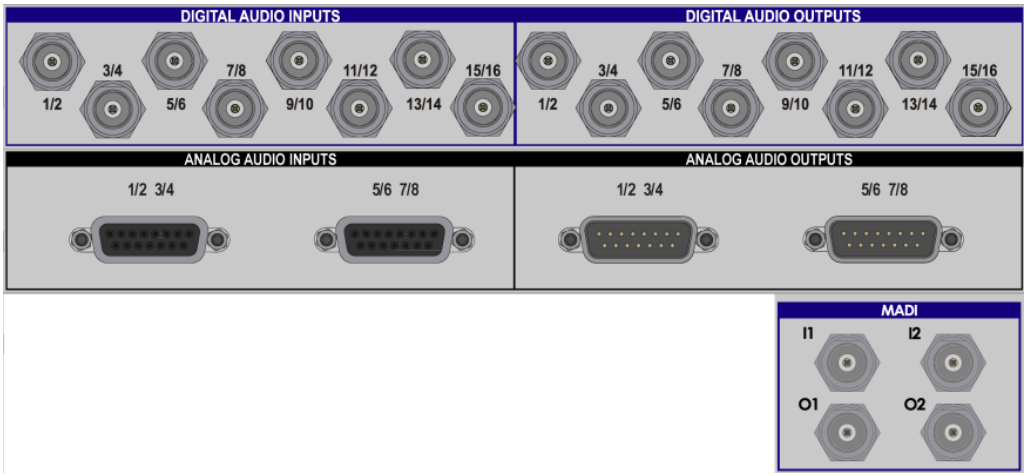
The MADI connectors are available by default on every XT3 6U server.

See section "Audio Specifications" on page 14 for more details on the available audio configurations.

See section "Audio Connections" on page 47 for more details on the DA-15 connectors pinout depending on the configuration.

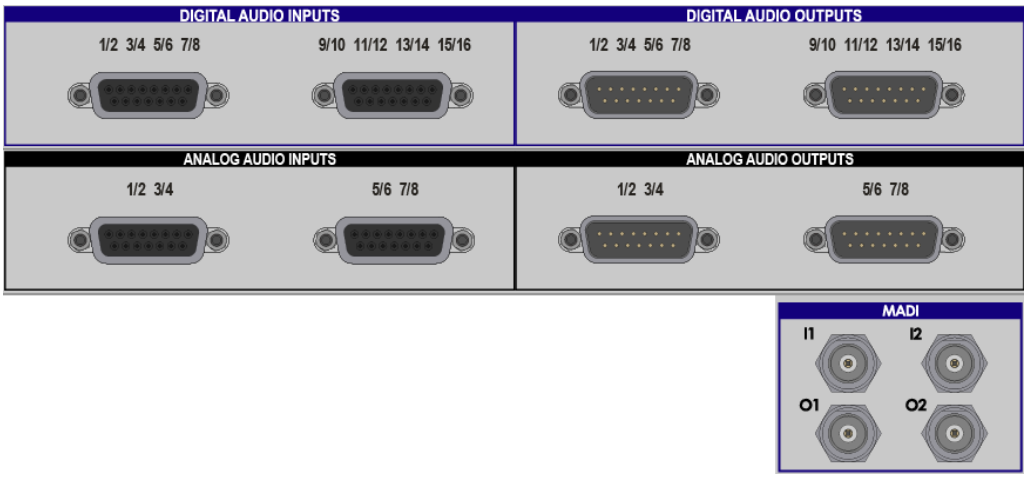
MADI BNC + Digital BNC + Analog DA-15 Connectors

- MADI Digital audio: 4 BNC connectors (2 in and 2 out)
- Digital audio: 16 BNC connectors (8 in and 8 out)
- Analog audio: 4 multi-pin DA-15 connectors (2 in and 2 out)



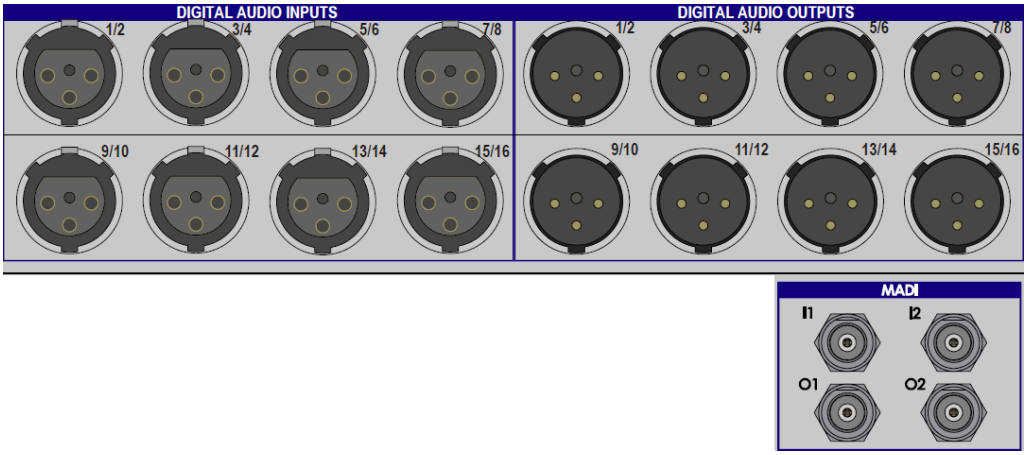
MADI BNC + Digital DA-15 + Analog DA-15 Connectors

- MADI audio: 4 BNC connectors (2 in and 2 out)
- Digital audio: 4 multi-pin DA-15 connectors (2 in and 2 out)
- Analog audio: 4 multi-pin DA-15 connectors (2 in and 2 out)



MADI BNC + Digital XLR

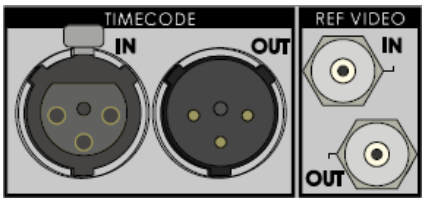
- MADI audio: 4 BNC connectors (2 in and 2 out)
- Digital audio: 16 x XLR (16 in + 16 out)



Timecode and Video Ref Connectors 3

The **Timecode** connectors allow the server to receive the LTC timecode reference signal and send the LTC timecode that corresponds to PGM1.

The **Ref Video** connectors allow the server to receive or send back the analog genlock reference signal.



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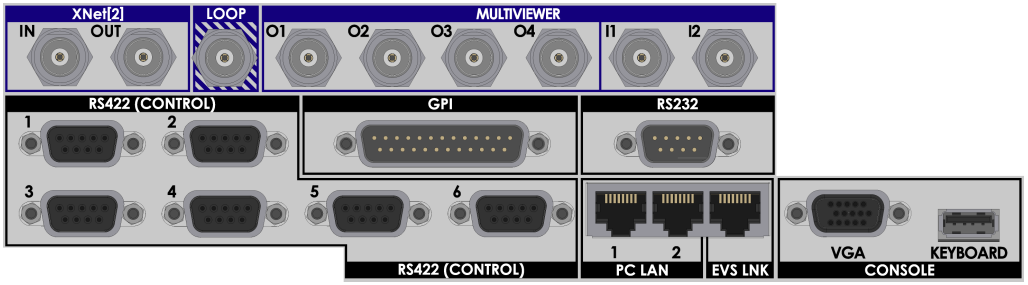


This rear panel part, located below the audio connectors, presents connectors that allow the EVS server to communicate with other devices.

The connectors are described from top left to bottom right:

The **XNet** conXNet

The **Loop** connector allows the loop of PGM1 on REC1 to be able to use the internal loop feature.

The **Multiviewer** connectors provides:

- 4 OUT connectors to connect monitors directly to the server, and display PGM and REC channels on the monitors.
- 2 IN connectors to connect an external source and display it as an individual channel on the monitors.

The monitor display is configured in the Multicam Configuration window, Monitoring tab, Multiviewer page. See the Multicam Configuration manual for a description of the configuration parameters.

The **RS422 ports** allow the server to be remotely controlled through remote panels or third-party control devices. When a remote panel is used, it should be connected on the first RS422 port.

The **GPI** connector allows GPI (General Purpose Interface) devices to send or receive electric pulses that will trigger commands on the server or to be connected with third-party devices.

The **RS232** connector allows a tablet to be connected to the server.

Two **PC LAN** connectors allow connection of the PC LAN interface of the EVS server to an Ethernet network. Refer to the XT3 Configuration manual for more information on PC LAN redundancy.

The **EVS Link** connector is reserved for internal use.

The **Console** connectors allow a monitor and a keyboard to be connected to the server.

Gigabit Ethernet Connectors Module 5

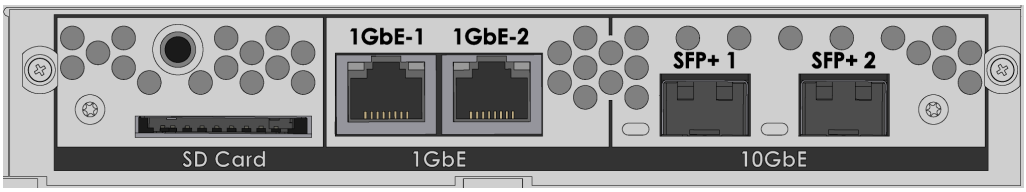
The Gigabit Ethernet Connector module of the GbE board is located at the bottom center of the rear panel.

This area can have one of the following layouts:

- It hosts the **full** Gigabit connector module.

  The **Gigabit Ethernet** connector module allows the interconnection of servers, other EVS, and/or third-party systems into a Gigabit Ethernet network via:

  - 2 SFP+ connectors, each offering a global bandwidth of 10 GbE
  - 2 RJ45 connectors, each offering a global bandwidth of 1 GbE
  - SD card slot



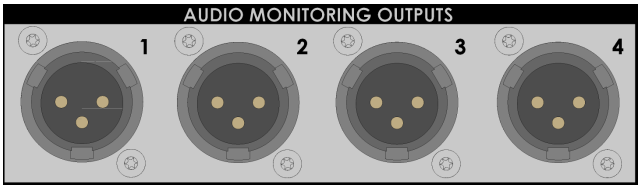
NOTE

The 10 GbE and 1GbE connectors cannot be used at the same time.

Audio Monitoring Connectors 6

This connector is located on the top right part of the rear panel, above the PSU.

The **Audio Monitoring Outputs** connectors are analog XLR connectors that allow audio output connections for monitoring purposes.



SAS-HDX Connector 7

This connector is located on the top right part of the rear panel, above the PSU.

The **SAS-HDX** connector allows the connection to the external disk array SAS-HDX if it is installed. By default, it is covered with a cap.

Power Supplies 8

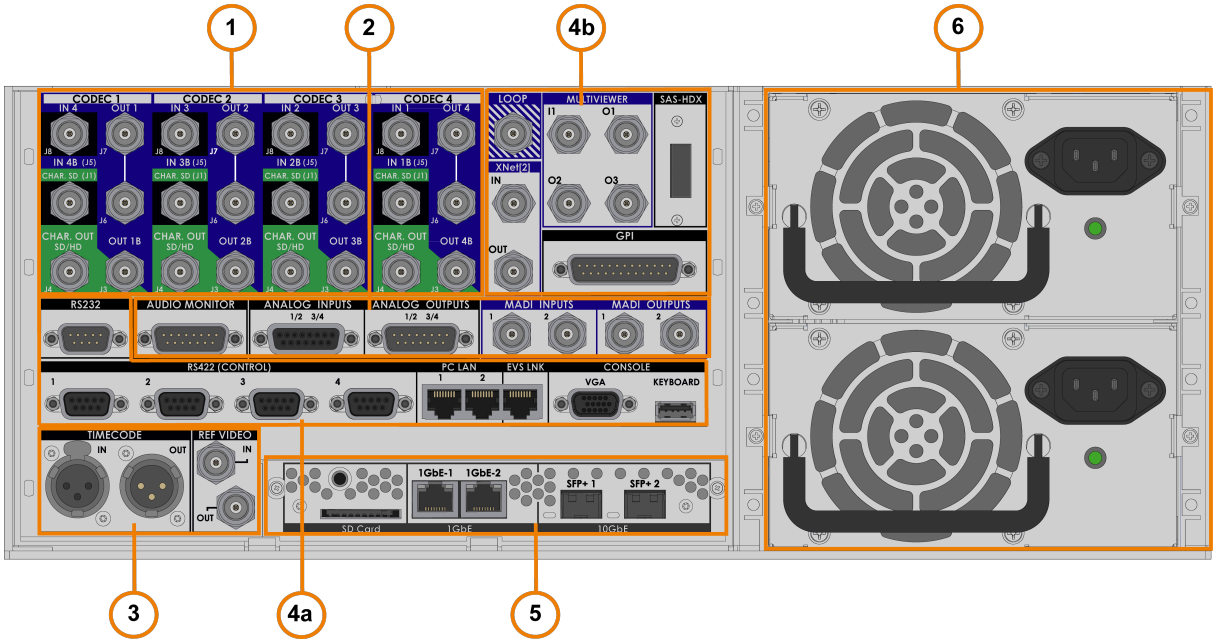
The server power supply is made of two hot-swappable units. Both of these units are connected to allow automatic power switching to the second power supply should the first one fail.

5.2.3. 4U Rear Panel Layout

Rear Panel Areas

The following drawing represents an example of a 4U rear panel available on an XT3 server.

The various areas of the rear panel are highlighted in the drawing and their respective variants are listed in the sections below along with a short description of the related connectors.

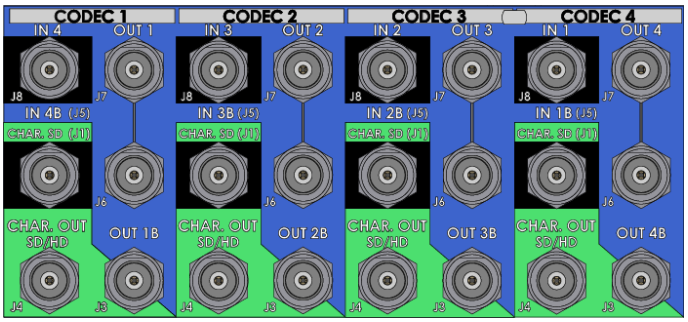


Video and Codecs 1

The codec modules allow connections for recording and playback of video material. Each connector on a codec module is connected to the corresponding J connector on the COD A or COD B module of a V3X board.

See section "V3X Video and Reference Boards" on page 70 for more details on each connector specific usage according to the different configurations.

The video and codec connector layout available with the XT3 4U server includes 4 codec modules:



Analog and Digital Audio 2

This section shows the available associations of audio connectors.

See section "Audio Specifications" on page 14 for more details on the available audio configurations.

See section "Audio Connections" on page 47 for more details on the DA-15 connectors pinout according to the different configurations.

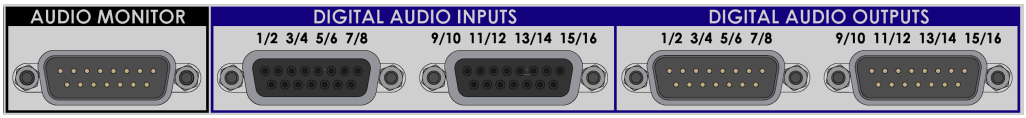
The audio connector layouts described in this section are available according to your configuration:

MADI BNC + Analog DA-15 Connectors

- Analog audio: 2 multi-pin DA-15 connectors (1 in and 1 out)
- MADI audio: 4 BNC connectors (2 in and 2 out)
- 1 multi-pin DA-15 for audio output connection for monitoring purposes

Digital DA-15 Connectors

- Digital audio: 4 multi-pin DA-15 connectors (2 in and 2 out)
- 1 multi-pin DA-15 for audio output connection for monitoring purposes



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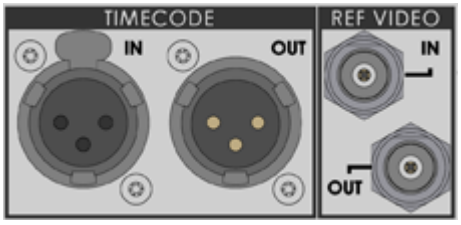
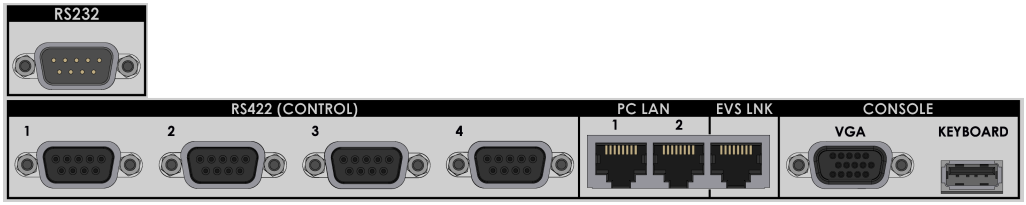


Controls and Communications 4a



This rear panel part, located below the audio connectors, presents connectors that allow the EVS server to communicate with other devices. The connectors are described from top left to bottom right:

The **RS232** connector allows a tablet to be connected to the server.

The **RS422 ports** allow the server to be remotely controlled through remote panels or third-party control devices. When a remote panel is used, it should be connected on the first RS422 port.

Two **PC LAN** connectors allow connection of the PC LAN interface of the EVS server to an Ethernet network. Refer to the XT3 Configuration manual for more information on PC LAN redundancy.

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The **Console** connectors allow a monitor and a keyboard to be connected to the server.

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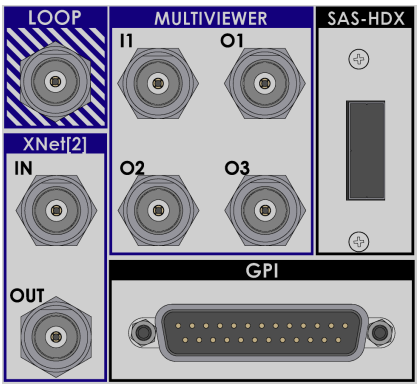

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The **Loop** connector allows the loop of PGM1 on REC1 to be able to use the internal loop feature.

The **Multiviewer** connectors provides:

- 3 OUT connectors to connect monitors directly to the server, and display PGM and REC channels on the monitors.
- 1 IN connector to connect an external source and display it as an individual channel on the monitors.

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The **SAS-HDX** connector allows the connection to the external disk array SAS-HDX if it is installed. By default, it is covered with a cap.

The **XNet** conXNet

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Gigabit Ethernet Connector Module 5

The Gigabit Ethernet Connector module is located at the bottom center of the rear panel.

This area has the following layout:

- It hosts the **full** Gigabit connector module.

  The **Gigabit Ethernet** connector module allows the interconnection of servers, other EVS, and/or third-party systems into a Gigabit Ethernet network via:

  - 2 SFP+ connectors, each offering a global bandwidth of 10 GbE
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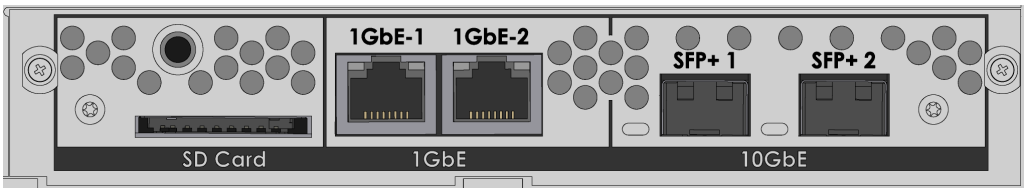
  - SD card slot



NOTE

The 10 GbE and 1GbE connectors cannot be used at the same time.

Power Supplies 6

The server power supply is made of two hot-swappable units. Both of these units are connected to allow automatic power switching to the second power supply should the first one fail.

5.3. Video Connections

You fill find full details on video connections in the Configuration manual, in the chapter "Supported Configurations".

5.4. Audio Connections

5.4.1. Audio Channels

The XT3 server manages up to 192 audio channels, depending on the chosen variant and the installed hardware.

The embedded audio modules and codecs can be used as input or output channels for embedded, digital (AES/EBU), or analog audio signals.

Depending on the server chassis or configuration, you can find the following audio connectors on the rear panel:

- Digital audio:
  - DA-15 connectors: 16 inputs (8 pairs) and 16 outputs (8 pairs) (110 Ohm balanced).
  - BNC connectors: 8 inputs and 8 outputs on an XT3 6U server (75 Ohm unbalanced).
  - XLR connectors: 16 inputs (8 pairs) and 16 outputs (8 pairs) on an XT3 6U server.
- MADI Digital audio:
  - BNC connectors: 2 inputs and 2 outputs (75 Ohm unbalanced).
- Analog audio:
  - DA-15 connectors: 4 inputs (high-balanced) and 4 outputs

    on an XT3 6U server.
  - DA-15 connectors: 2 inputs (high-balanced) and 2 outputs

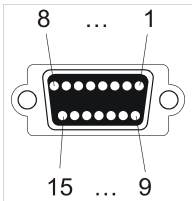
    on an XT3 4U server.
- Audio monitoring :
  - DA-15 connector: 4 analog mono outputs (600 Ohm drive capable) (XT3 4U).
  - XLR connectors: 4 analog mono outputs (600 Ohm drive capable) (XT3 6U).
- Breakout cables with XLR connectors can be adapted on DA-15 connectors.

See also section "Audio Specifications" on page 14 for full information on the available audio hardware configurations.

The connectors are illustrated along with their respective pinouts in the following topics.

5.4.2. Digital Audio DA-15 Pinout

The digital audio DA-15 connector is illustrated hereunder (connector installed on the rear panel and viewed from outside). Its pinout is described in the following table where each column corresponds to one of the 4 available connectors.

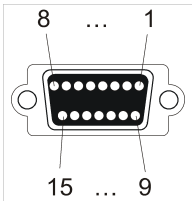


Pin #	DA-15 connector #1 Inputs 1-8 (mono)	DA-15 connector #2 Inputs 9-16 (mono)	DA-15 connector #3 Outputs 1-8 (mono)	DA-15 connector #4 Outputs 9-16 (mono)
1	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
2	AES input 1/2 +	AES input 9/10 +	AES output 1/2 +	AES output 9/10 +
3	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
4	AES input 3/4 +	AES input 11/12 +	AES output 3/4 +	AES output 11/12 +
5	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
6	AES input 5/6 +	AES input 13/14 +	AES output 5/6 +	AES output 13/14 +
7	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
8	AES input 7/8 +	AES input 15/16 +	AES output 7/8 +	AES output 15/16 +
9	AES input 1/2 -	AES input 9/10 -	AES output 1/2 -	AES output 9/10 -
10	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
11	AES input 3/4 -	AES input 11/12 -	AES output 3/4 -	AES output 11/12 -
12	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
13	AES input 5/6 -	AES input 13/14 -	AES output 5/6 -	AES output 13/14 -
14	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
15	AES input 7/8 -	AES input 15/16 -	AES output 7/8 -	AES output 15/16 -

5.4.3. Analog Audio DA-15 Pinout

The analog audio DA-15 connector is illustrated hereunder (connector installed on the rear panel and viewed from outside). Its pinout is described in the following table where each column corresponds to one of the 4 available connectors.

The DA-15 analog audio connectors are not available on the 4U chassis of the XT3 6U server.

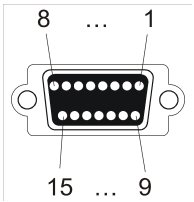


Pin #	DA-15 connector #1 Inputs 1-4 (mono)	DA-15 connector #2 Inputs 5-8 (mono)	DA-15 connector #3 Outputs 1-4 (mono)	DA-15 connector #4 Outputs 5-8 (mono)
1	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
2	Analog input 1 +	Analog input 5 +	Analog output 1 +	Analog output 5 +
3	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
4	Analog input 2 +	Analog input 6 +	Analog output 2 +	Analog output 6 +
5	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
6	Analog input 3 +	Analog input 7 +	Analog output 3 +	Analog output 7 +
7	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
8	Analog input 4 +	Analog input 8 +	Analog output 4 +	Analog output 8 +
9	Analog input 1 -	Analog input 5 -	Analog output 1 -	Analog output 5 -
10	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
11	Analog input 2 -	Analog input 6 -	Analog output 2 -	Analog output 6 -
12	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
13	Analog input 3 -	Analog input 7 -	Analog output 3 -	Analog output 7 -
14	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd	Gnd
15	Analog input 4 -	Analog input 8 -	Analog output 4 -	Analog output 8 -

5.4.4. Monitoring Audio DA-15 Pinout

The monitoring audio DA-15 connector is illustrated hereunder (connector installed on the rear panel and viewed from outside). Its pinout is described in the following table.

The DA-15 monitoring audio connector is only available on the 4U chassis of the XT3 6U server.



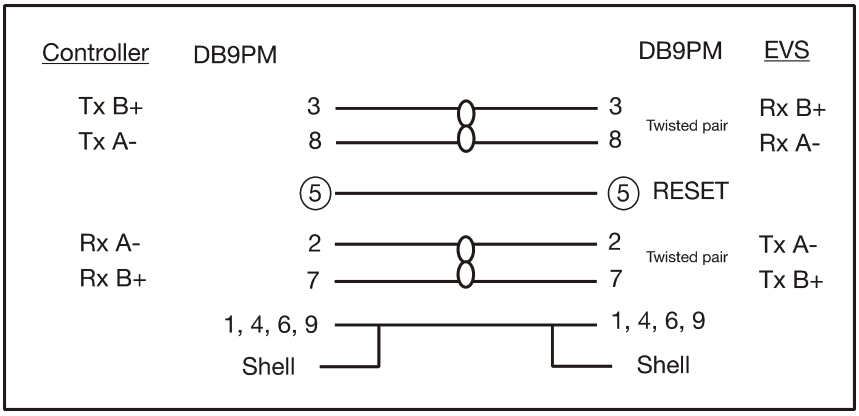
Pin #	DA-15 connector Outputs 1-4 (mono)
1	Gnd
2	Analog output 1 +
3	Gnd
4	Analog output 2 +
5	Gnd
6	Analog output 3 +
7	Gnd
8	Analog output 4 +
9	Analog output 1 -
10	Gnd
11	Analog output 2 -
12	Gnd
13	Analog output 3 -
14	Gnd
15	Analog output 4 -

5.5. RS422 Connections

5.5.1. RS422 Connector Pinout

The RS422 connectors are used to connect a remote control (from EVS or third party) to your server.

The cable wiring is a straightforward pin-to-pin connection as illustrated in the following diagram. You should use a shielded cable to avoid electromagnetic interference on long distances.



WARNING

The RESET command line from the remote control is sent through the pin 5 of the RS422 connector. This function should be disabled when the controller on connector #1 is not an EVS controller.

The technical specification for the RS422 link is as follows:

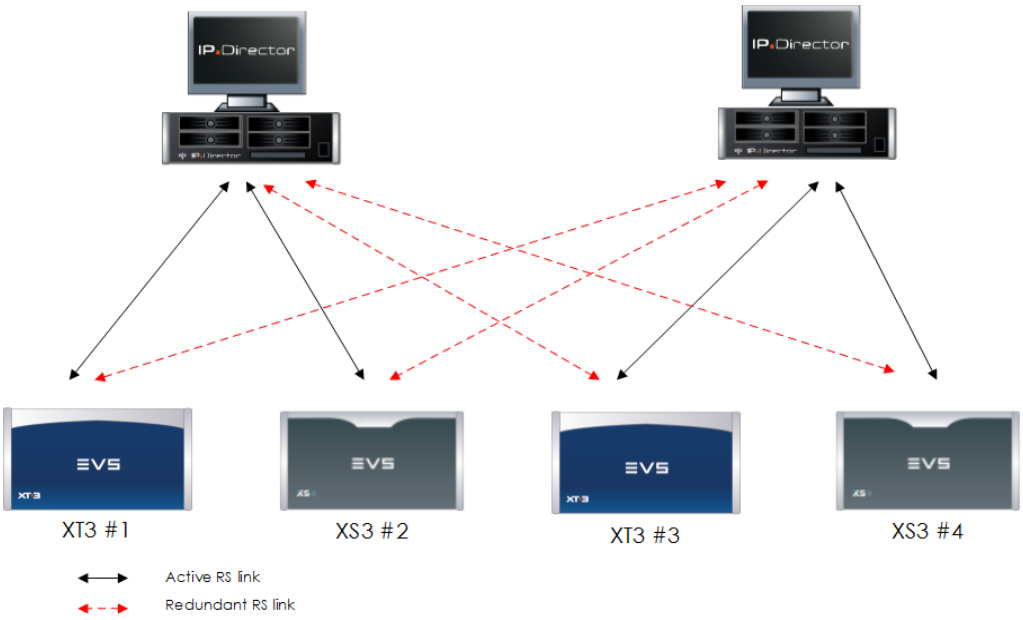
- 19200 bauds
- No parity
- 8 data bits
- 1 stop bit

5.5.2. Redundant IPDP Serial Link

The IPDirector communicates with the server via one serial link. If that link fails, the XT3 6U server can no longer be controlled by any IPDirector.

A failover mechanism has been put into place: it switches the IPDirector link from one port of an XT3 server to another port on another XT3 6U server.

To ensure the failover, the backup links between IPDirector workstations and the XT3 6U servers need to be physically wired to a second RS422 port, as shown on the following schema:



The serial link redundancy will ensure that there is no single point of failure in the setup. However, you need to put into place a thoroughly thought through IPDP configuration for the SynchroDB to continue working correctly. This can be achieved, for example, by defining an IPDirector workstation in Network mode.

5.6. XNet Network

5.6.1. Introduction

The XNet network consists of several EVS video servers or other EVS hardware all connected with a 75-Ohm coaxial cable (BNC).

The data exchange between systems is operated through the SDTI interface at 2970 Mbps (3 Gbps), with non-relay connectors.

The SDTI loop is closed only when the Multicam software is started. As non-relay connectors are used, it is recommended to use XHub to avoid network interruptions.

The XNet requires a network server dedicated to the management of the database shared among all EVS video servers. This is assigned to one of the EVS servers on the network. The EVS server acting as the network server can of course be used for standard server operations.

5.6.2. Network Architectures

Introduction

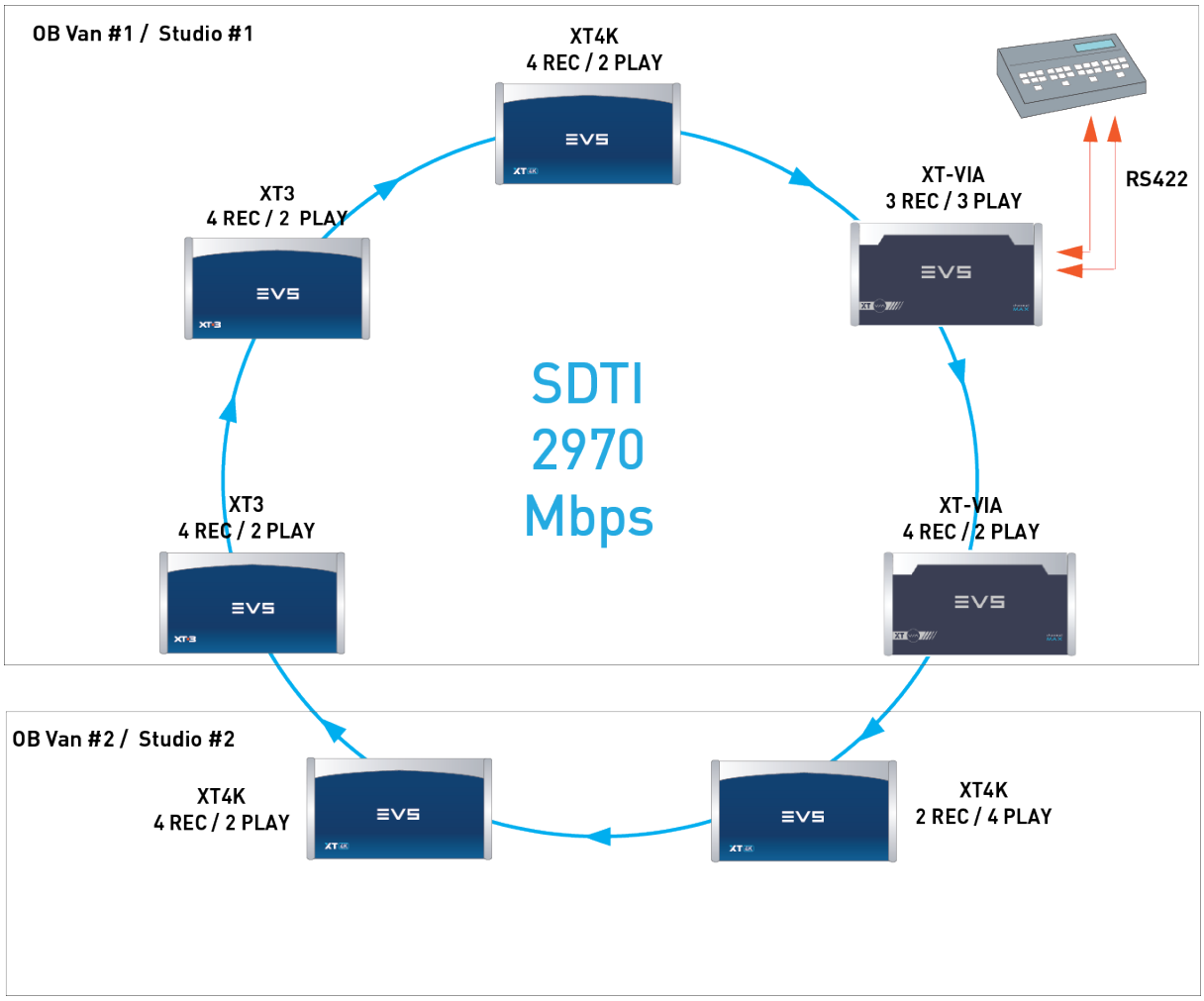
To set up an XNet network, EVS servers may be connected directly in a closed loop architecture. Using a dedicated hub, they may be connected in a star architecture as illustrated in the following figure.

NOTE

With an SDTI network of 3Gbps, XHub v4.00 only is supported.

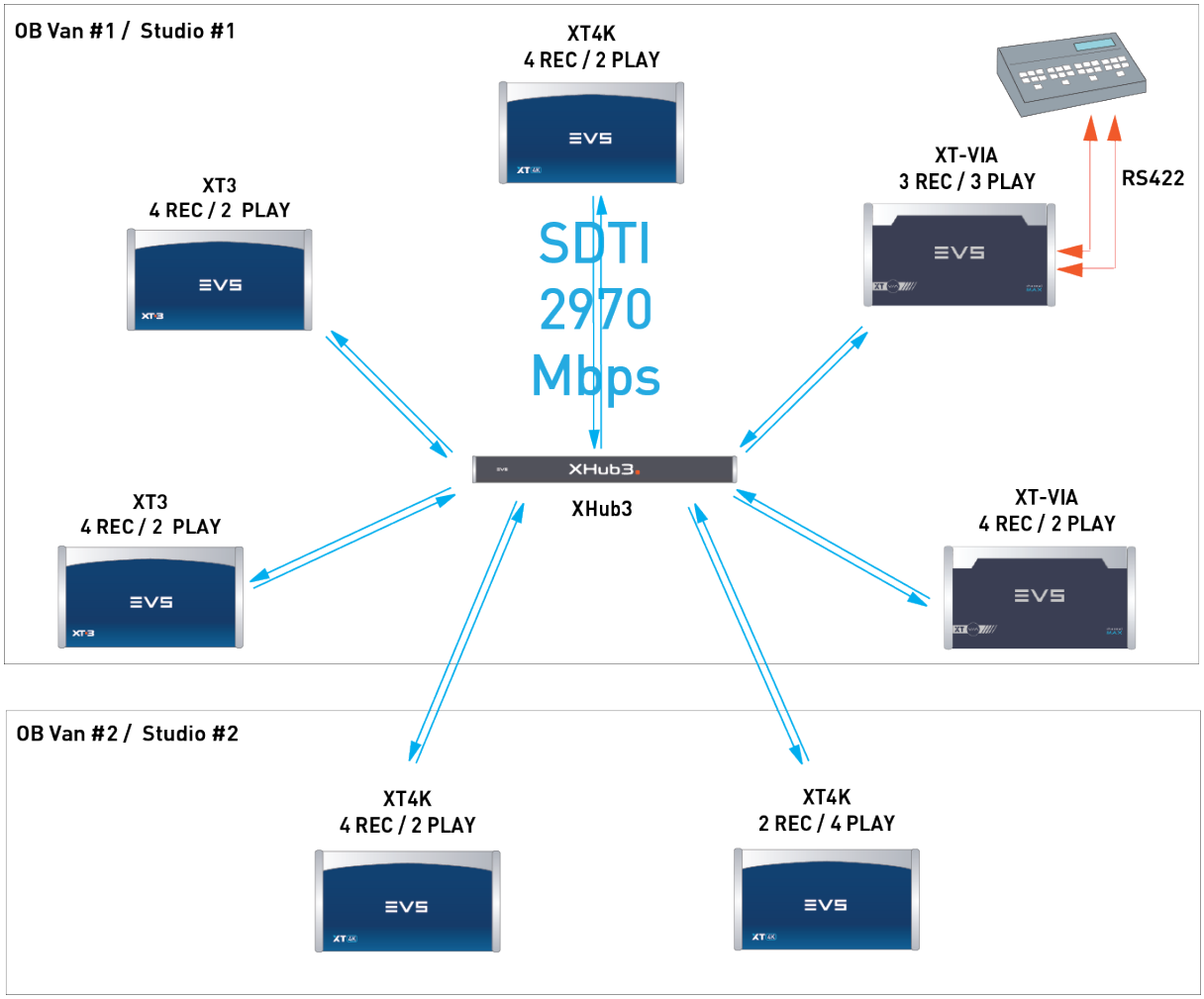
Connection Diagram Without EVS XHub SDTI Hub

Example of XNet network without XHub:



Connection Diagram With EVS XHub SDTI Hub

Example of XNet network with an SDTI hub:



5.6.3. Required Conditions to Set up and Run XNet

1. The EVS video servers XT3, XS3, XT4K, XS4K, XT-VIA, XS-VIA and XHub all need to be interoperable on the SDTI network.
2. The SDTI advanced option code (for network client, master, or server modes) shall be validated in the options list.
3. They shall all be running compatible software versions. Otherwise, warning message is displayed.
4. The SDTI speed parameter shall have the same value on all EVS servers (**Network** page, **SDTI** section).
5. The EVS video servers shall operate the same multi-essence configuration.

6. The EVS video servers shall operate the same codec for video material to be fully interoperable between EVS video servers.
7. The network type must be set to "Server" on one and only one EVS video server on the network. The others must be set to either "Master" (to share clips and view others clips) or "Client" (to share clips only).
8. A different network number must be specified for each EVS video server that you want to connect to the network. If the same network number is assigned to 2 different systems, the second one will not be able to connect and a warning message will be displayed.
9. All EVS video servers must be connected with a good quality BNC 75 Ohm cable to form a closed loop.

   Connect the SDTI OUT connector of the first EVS video server to the SDTI IN connector of the second one, etc until the loop is closed by connecting the SDTI OUT connector of the last EVS video server to the SDTI IN connector of the first one.

   The SDTI loop must be closed at all times during network operation. If for any reason the loop is open, all network communication will be interrupted and all systems will automatically switch to stand alone mode. When the loop is closed again, network operation will resume automatically. This problem can be avoided or limited using an XHub.
10. The distance shown in the table below is the maximum cable length between two active EVS servers, or 2 SDTI reclockers, on an XNet SDTI network, using a single piece of cable between 2 servers or 2 reclockers.

    Intermediate connectors, patch panels, etc., might degrade these figures. Depending on the number of servers connected on the network, the location of the master server, the presence or not of an XHub SDTI hub, the actual maximum values may be higher than indicated. If longer distances between servers are required, SDTI to Fiber converters can be used, allowing distances over thousands of meters if necessary.

    EVS has validated the following SDI-fiber converters:

    - BlueBell BC313T and BC313R (Single channel) or BC323TR (Dual channel)

      (www.bluebell.tv)
    - Barnfind BarnMini-01 (Dual channel)

      (www.barnfind.no)
    - Yellobrik OBD 1810 (multiplexer), OTR 1810 & OTR1840 (transceiver)

      (www.yellobrik.com)
    - Extron FOX 3G HD-SDI P

      (www.extron.com)
    - Multidyne HD 3000 TRX

      (www.multidyne.com)

Cable type	@ 2970 Mbps
RG59	30 m / 98 ft
RG6	70 m / 230 ft
RG11	85 m / 279 ft
Fiber	55 km (*)

(*) 55 km is the total length of the return path, i.e. the actual distances between the 2 servers connected via the fiber link is half of this value, i.e. 22.5 km @ 2970 Mbps.

NOTE

When reclockers are used, the total delay induced by these reclockers between 2 active servers on the network may not exceed 15 µs.

5.6.4. Starting XNet

1. When all above conditions are fulfilled and the cabling is correct, turn on the "Server" EVS video server.
2. Make sure the value to **Server** in the **Type** field in the **SDTI** section on the **Network** page. Then start Multicam.
3. Turn on all "Master" and "Client" EVS video servers, and make sure the appropriate value is selected in the Type field in the SDTI section.
4. Start Multicam on all of the Master and Client EVS servers.

They should see the "Server" on the network and they will connect automatically. Connection takes a few seconds (usually between 2 and 5 sec) for each EVS video server.

5.6.5. XNet Performances and Troubleshooting

Performances

Transfers

With the default settings, the following performances can be achieved in normal conditions:

Material	Transfers	Distant copy
SD content	10 real-time transfers	Up to 5 times faster than real-time (depends on network load)
HD content	3 to 4 real-time transfers	Up to 2 times faster than real-time (depends on network load)
SLSM content	3 real-time transfers	-

These performances are also limited by the disk bandwidth available from the EVS server where the clips are stored. To prevent freeze issues and to maximize network bandwidth efficiency, priority levels have been implemented in the following order, from the high to the low priority:

1. Play requests
2. Search/Browse and Live (E2E) requests
3. Copy requests.

Delays

Delay times between playback and ingest depend on two factors:

- local or distant video material on the SDTI network
- codec type (intra field-type codec, intra frame-type codec, longop codec)

The following table provides the delay times depending on these two factors:

	Local Clips	Distant Clips (SDTI)
Intra field-type codec	6 frames	5 seconds
Intra frame-type codec	9 frames	5 seconds
LongGOP codec	2 seconds	9 seconds

Troubleshooting

1. If the network does not start up properly although all machines are apparently configured properly and Multicam is actually started on all of them, check that selected cables to connect all EVS servers are suitable and not too long to operate.
2. If the connection cannot be established, please make sure that all equipments are set to the same speed and connected to the non-relay connectors.
3. Once the network has been established, if the EVS server acting as the network "Server" is disconnected or shut down, another server will automatically be assigned to act as a new network "Server". The next machine to be automatically assigned as new network server is the one with the highest serial number in the SDTI network.

5.7. Gigabit Network

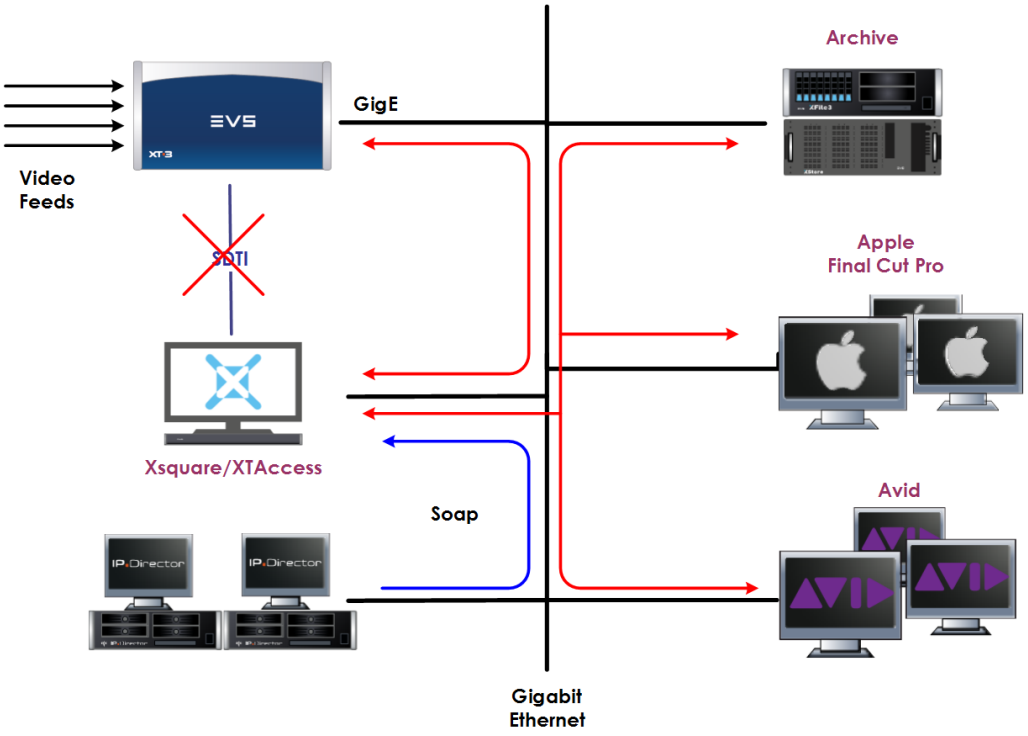
5.7.1. Functional Overview

The Gigabit connection makes it possible to transfer video and audio material from your XT3 6U server to external systems via the TCP/IP network.

The external systems can be the following:

- A storage system or an archiving system, such as XStore.
- A non-linear editing system, such as Xedio, Apple Final Cut Pro, or Avid.

However, the external systems cannot read the raw files coming from an XT3 6U server. For this reason, Xsquare/XTAccess are used as a "gateway" between your server and the IT world. In this architecture, the Xsquare application plays the role of XTAccess orchestrator on the Gigabit network, communicating via the PC LAN connection.



Xsquare is directly connected to the XT3 6U server through the Gigabit network via an FTP client. It runs on a Windows workstation and is mainly controlled by the external systems (no user interface) via soap requests or other processes.

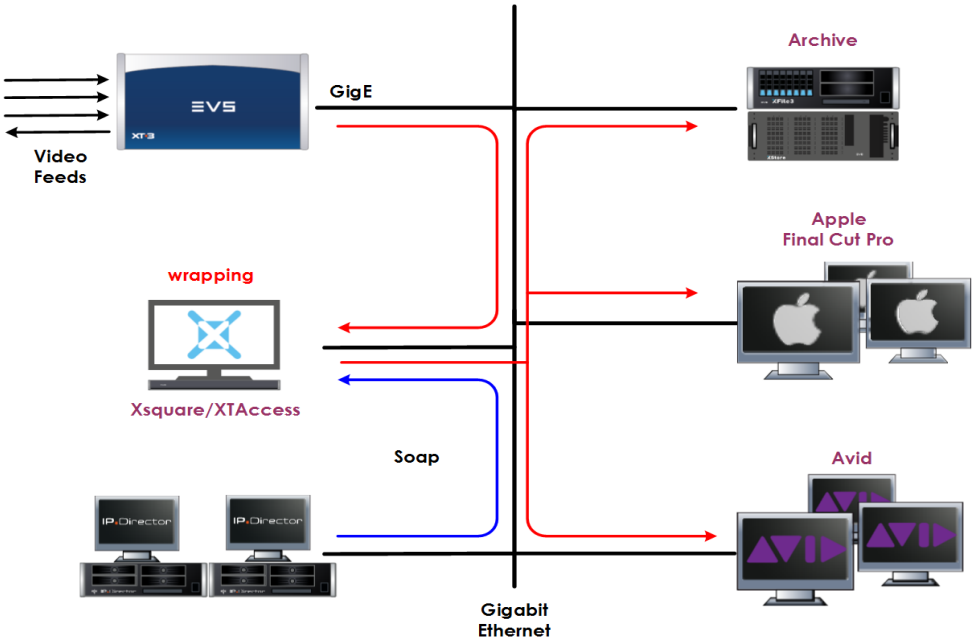
The Gigabit connection fulfills the following functions in relation with the XT3 6U server:

- Backup of clips from an XT3 6U server.
- Restore of clips to an XT3 6U server.
- Transfer of clips between servers.

5.7.2. Backup of Clips

Overview

The following schema shows how the backup of clips is performed with the Gigabit connection and Xsquare/XTAccess:



Workflow

1. An external system, for example IP Director, sends a soap request to Xsquare to request the backup of a given clip created on an XT3 server .
2. Xsquare processes the soap request:
   - It gets the clip content that has to be backed up from the server.
   - It generates a backup file of the clip in the format specified by the external system (no transcoding feature, only native codec).
   - It stores the backup file in the target folder specified by the external system. The metadata of the clip are included in the file (in EVS MXF) and sent via an XML metadata file.

5.7.3. Restore of Clips

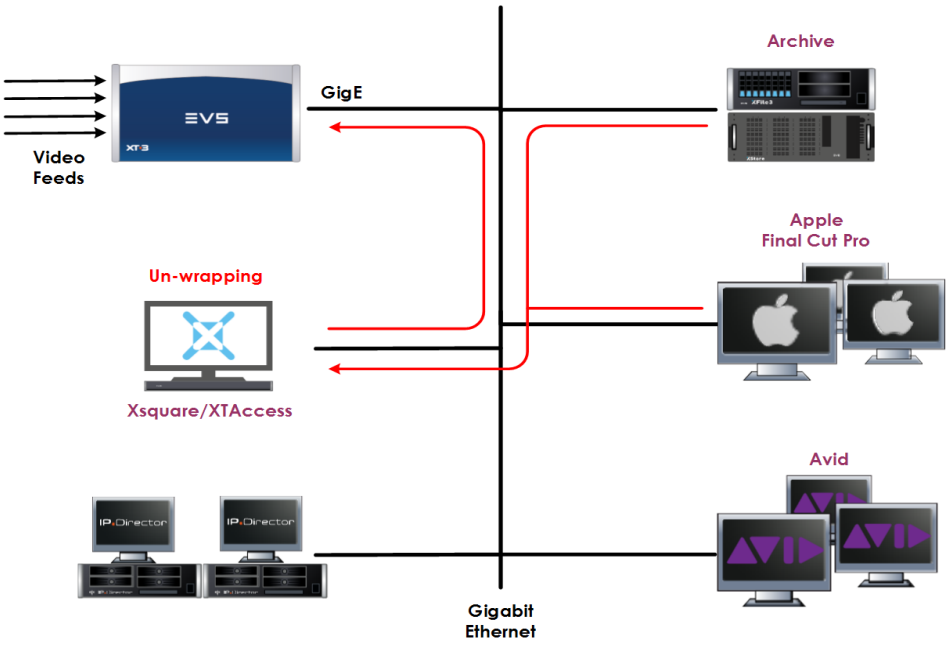
Overview

Clips having one of the supported formats can be restored. Refer to the Xsquare release notes for more information about supported formats.

The restore process can be set up in two different ways:

- via a soap request sent by the external application.
- via folder scan.

The following schema shows how the restore of clips is performed with the Gigabit connection and Xsquare:



Workflow (Restore via Soap)

1. An external system (which can generate soap requests for restoring clips, for example IPDirector) sends a soap request to Xsquare for restoring (copy) the clips from an archiving or backup system to a given XT3 6U server.
2. Xsquare processes the soap request:
   - It gets the clip file to restore from the external system.
   - It restores, i.e. copies, the clip on the server specified in the soap request.

Workflow (Restore via Folder Scan)

1. Based on the parameters defined in Xsquare, this application scans specific folders on external backup or archiving systems.
2. When a clip file has been written to the scanned folder, Xsquare creates a copy of the clip on the server specified in the Xsquare parameters.

   The restored clip receives a new UmID and LSM ID:

   - Multicam automatically assigns a UmID to the restored clip.
   - A start LSM ID is specified in Xsquare and incremented as defined for each new clip that is restored in order to find an empty location on the server.

   The restored clip contains the clip metadata.
3. The restored clip is moved from the scanned folder to one of the following subfolders on the external archiving or backup system:
   - \Restore.done\: folder where the files are moved to when they are successfully restored.
   - \Restore.error\: folder where files are moved to when they failed to restore.

5.7.4. Important Rules

Gigabit networks including EVS servers need to abide by the following rules:

- The hardware used on GbE networks with EVS servers need to support jumbo frames.
- Both GbE ports of an EVS server need to be defined on different sub-networks.
- This is not possible to implement failover through the GbE network.
- The two GbE ports available on the internal switch (PC LAN) are 1000 Base-T ports.

The GbE ports are used for monitoring purposes (XNet Monitor) or for the communication with other applications (LinX).

NOTE

Contact the Support or Pre-Sales team to select the appropriate switches for your setup.

5.8. GPIO Connections

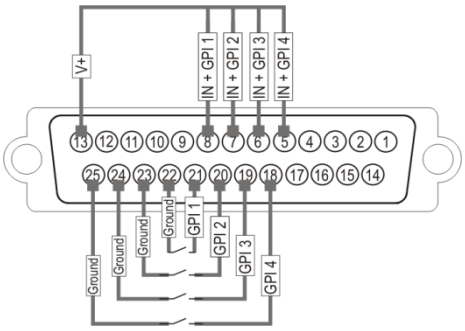
5.8.1. GP In Connections

GPI Triggers

The allocation of the XT3 6U server GPI triggers is performed in the Multicam Configuration window, in the GPI tab. See the Configuration manual for detailed information on allocating GPI triggers.

Opto isolated Inputs (GP In 1, 2, 3, 4)

Pin-Out



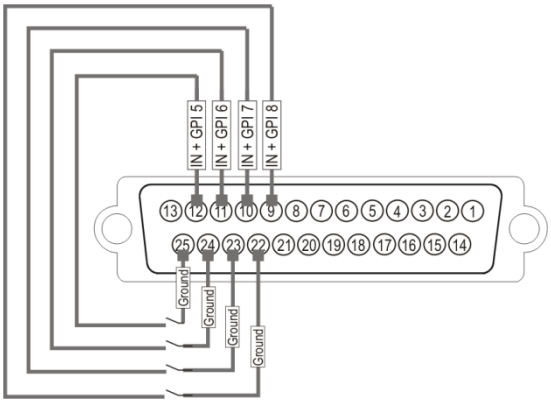
Specifications

- The input consists in an opto diode (VF @ 1.1 Volt) in series with a 470 ohm resistor.
- Typical switching point @ 1.4 mA, for secure operation:
  - i=0 to 0.5 mA -> opto OFF
  - i=2.5 to 30 mA -> opto ON
  - imax= 30 mA
- Direct connection to a TTL/CMOS signal possible (Pin opto - to GND and pin opto + to the TTL/CMOS signal).

  Typical switching point @ 1.6 Volts, for secure operation:
  - Vin< 0.8 Volts -> opto OFF
  - Vin> 2.2 Volts @ 2 mA -> opto ON
  - Vin max (without external resistor) = 15 Volts

TTL Inputs (GP In 5, 6, 7, 8)

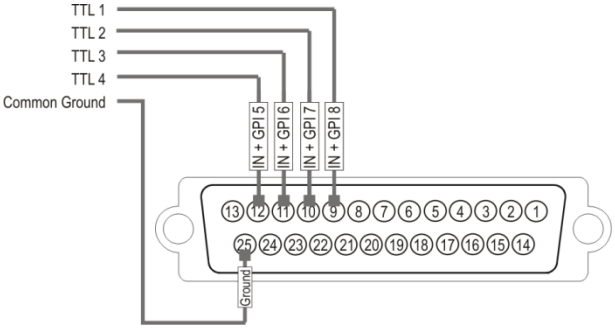
Relay Inputs Pin-Out



The relay must be connected between the ground and the corresponding TTL input on the DB-25.

TTL Inputs Pin-Out

Each TTL input on the DB-25 is directly connected to the pin of the TTL connector on the device triggering the GPI. The ground must be common between the DB-25 connector of the XT3 6U server and the external device.



Specifications

- each pin can be individually configured as an output or an input
- internal 4K7 pull up to +5 V
- low level Vi < 1.5 Volt (U12 = 74HC245)
- high level Vi > 3.5 Volt (U12 = 74HC245)
- optional TTL compatible level (U12 = 74HCT245)

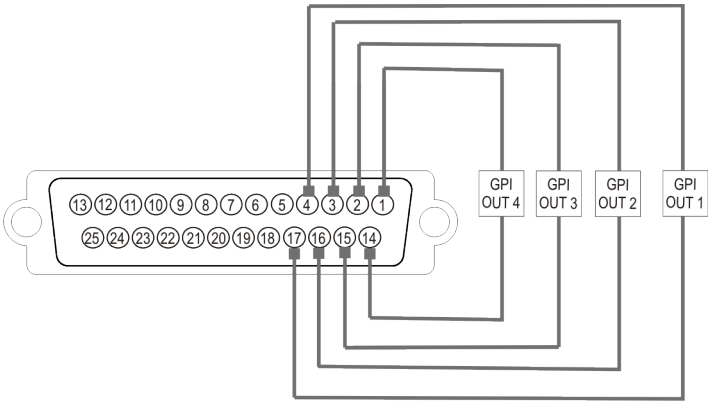
5.8.2. GP Out Connections

Relay Isolated Outputs (GP Out 1, 2, 3, 4)

Pin-Out

The user can define the functions, types and settings associated to the GPI outs in the following applications:

- Setup menu of the Remote Panel
- IP Director settings (GPI and Auxiliary Track tab)

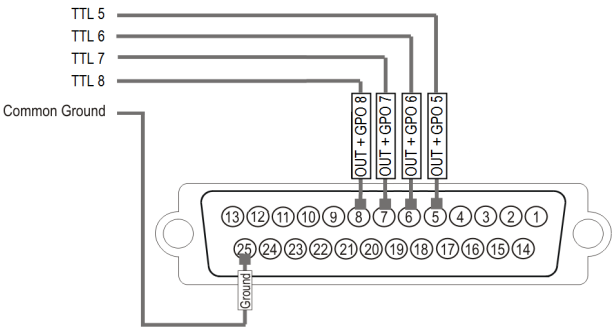


Specifications

- normally open contact (power off -> open)
- maximum 1 A
- maximum 50 Volts
- typical life time: 100.000.000 switchings

TTL Outputs (GP Out 5, 6, 7, 8)

Pin-Out



Specifications

- each pin can be individually configured as an output or an input
- internal 4K7 pull up to +5 V
- low level Vi < 1.5 Volt (U12 = 74HC245)
- high level Vi > 3.5 Volt (U12 = 74HC245)
- optional TTL compatible level (U12 = 74HCT245)

6. Boards Description

6.1. Boards and Slots Configuration

The XT3 6U server is equipped with several boards that are all developed by EVS:

6U Rack

Slot #	Installed boards
	6 video channels
7	RSAS
6	H3XP
5	A3X (Audio Codec)
4	V3X (SD/HD) #3
3	V3X (SD/HD) #2
2	V3X (SD/HD) #1 Genlock
1	MTPC

4U Rack

Slot #	Installed boards
	4 video channels
6	RSAS
5	H3XP
4	A3X (Audio Codec)
3	V3X (SD/HD) #2
2	V3X (SD/HD) #1 Genlock
1	MTPC

6.2. Hardware Edition History

The following table lists the various hardware editions, with the boards and hardware options available for each edition. The table aims at giving guidelines to differentiate one revision to the other. However, other hardware combinations are possible.

The table lists the hardware editions regardless of the date when a given EVS server was first commercialized. Consequently, any hardware revision earlier than the hardware revision of the first commercialization should be disregarded.

Hardware Edition	MTPC	Multiviewer	Controller Board	Audio	Video Base	Video Module	TGE	Rear Panel	Internal LAN	Multicam Version
2.00	HS-870	Quad-MTPC	H3X	CODA75	COHX	V3X	-	PS/2	No	11,12,14
2.10	HS-870	Quad-MTPC	H3X	CODA75	V3X	V3X	-	PS/2	No	11,12,14
2.20	HS-873	Quad-MTPC	H3X	CODA75	V3X	V3X	-	PS/2	No	11,12,14
2.30	HS-873	Quad-MTPC	H3X	CODA75	V3X	V3X	-	PS/2	No	11,12,14
3.10	HS-873	Quad-MTPC	H3X	CODA75	V3X	V3X	Optional	USB	No	11,12,14 if TGE:≤15.02
3.20	HS-873	Quad-MTPC	H3X	A3X	V3X	V3X	Optional	USB	No	11,12,14 if TGE:≤15.02
3.30	HS-873	Quad-MTPC	H3X	A3X	V3X	V3X	TGE	USB	No	12,14, 15
4.00	HS-873	MV4	H3XP	A3X	V3X	V3X	TGE	USB	No	14, 15
4.10	HS-873	MV4	H3X	CODA75 A3X	V3X	V3X	TGE	MV4	No	12,14, 15

	Hardware Edition	MTPC	Multiviewer	Controller Board	Audio	Video Base	Video Module	TGE	Rear Panel	Internal LAN	Multicam Version
	4.20**	HS-873	MV4	H3XP	A3X	V3X	V3X	TGE	MV4	Yes	14, 15, 16
NEW !	4.21*	HS-873	MV4	H3XP	A3X	V3X	V3X	TGE	MV4	Yes	14, 15, 16

* Version 4.21, which includes the RAM upgrade from 1 GB to 2 GB, is required to run Multicam 16.00.

** This hardware version will support Multicam v16.00 provided the RAM is upgraded to 2GB.

6.3. V3X Video and Reference Boards

6.3.1. Description

Overview

The V3X board is divided in several parts:

- a base board identified as V3X base (rear section and center extension)
- two modules identified as COD A V3X (front left) and COD B V3X (front right)
- two modules identified as XDCAM (rear section, plugged onto the left and right sides of the base board)

WARNING

It is highly advised not to remove a V3X board from your EVS server. Should you have to do so, manipulate the board very carefully, making sure it is not exposed to mechanical or electric shocks.

COD Modules

The COD A V3X and COD B V3X modules are the actual codec modules, each of them being able to be configured by software either as an encoder (for a record channel) or as a decoder (for a play channel). The COD V3X modules are SD, HD, and 3 Gbps capable.

They support the following feature(s):

- Full resolution 3D HD on a single V3X module (Dual Link HD SDI or single link 3 Gbps)
- 1080p 50/59.94 Hz video standard on a single V3X module (Dual Link HD SDI or single link 3 Gbps)

XDCAM Modules

The XDCAM modules provides the option to encode the incoming video feeds in XDCAM codec. These modules do not include LEDs and are therefore not further detailed below.

Genlock

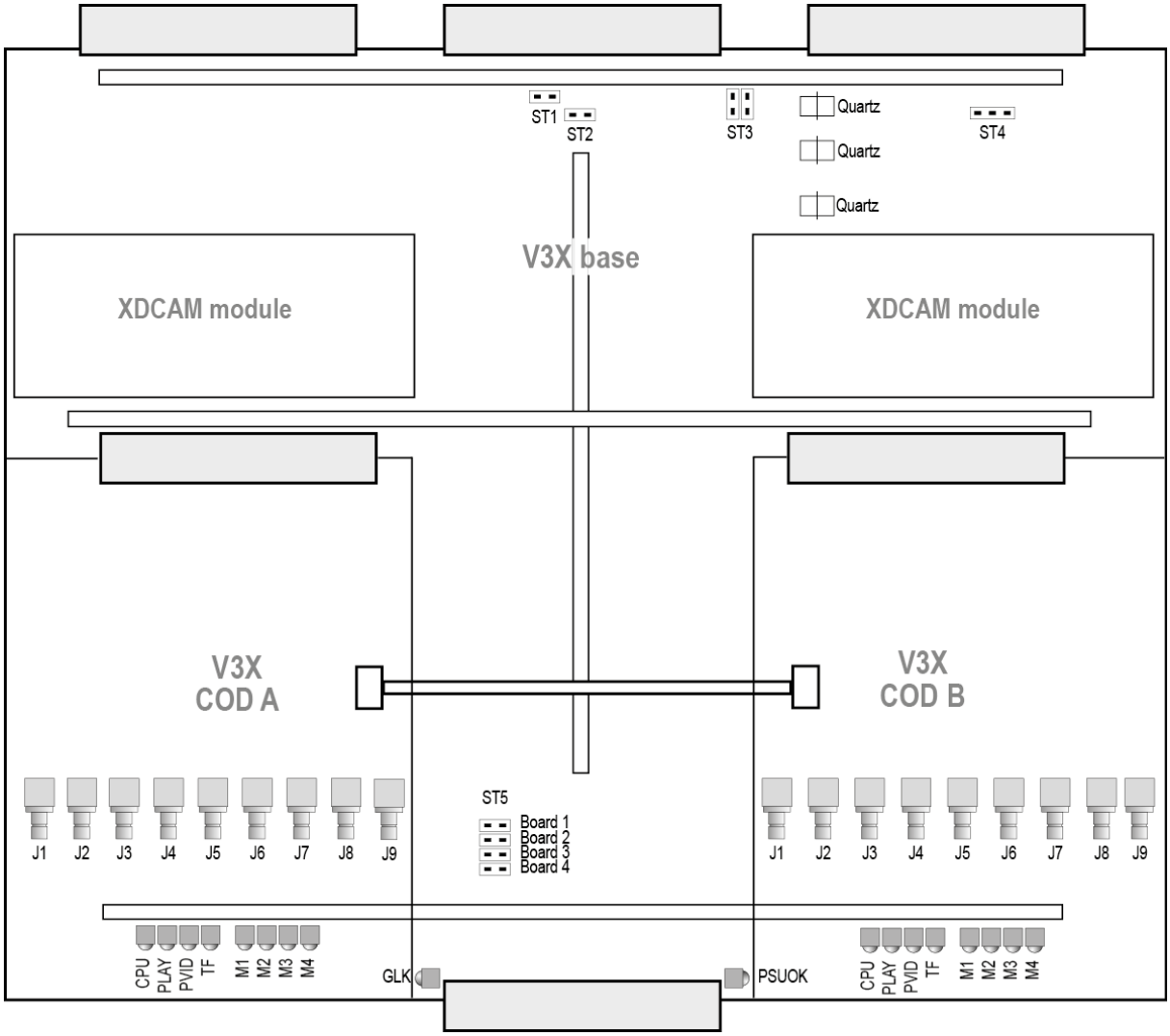
There are 2 versions of the V3X board: one with genlock, one without genlock.

The genlock model can easily be identified by the presence of 3 quartz synthesizers at the rear of the V3X base board, on the right-hand side, and by the presence of the GLK and PSU OK LEDs on either side of the DIN connector at the center front of the board.

Note that a V3X board with genlock must be installed as V3X #1 in first position (slot 2) in the server. A V3X board with genlock can never be installed in any other slot, and thus cannot be used instead of V3X #2 or #3. Doing so will result in conflicting electrical signals inside the system.

Block Diagram

The block diagram of the V3X board with genlock is illustrated hereunder with the connectors, jumpers and LEDs location:



Base Board Jumpers

The following table lists the V3X base board jumpers and their respective function:

Jumper	Function
ST1, ST2	These 2 jumpers must be installed on the last V3X board of the server (that is on V3X #1, 2, or 3 if there are respectively 1, 2, or 3 V3X boards installed in the server).
ST3 (SPARE)	«Parking» for ST1 and ST2 jumpers when they are not used.
ST4 (only on V3X with genlock)	Must be set to HiZ (or not installed). Note that the Genlock Loop connector on the back panel of the server (if available) must always be terminated with a 75 Ohm load if it is not used.
ST5	Defines the position of the board inside the server. It must be set to « 1 » for a V3X with genlock, and to « 2 » or « 3 » for a V3X board without genlock, depending on its position in the server.

Base Board LEDs

The table below lists the LEDs available on the V3X base board with the genlock functionality.

WARNING

It is crucial to have a continuous and stable genlock signal when the server is in operation. In case of interferences on the genlock signal that would cause parity violations, the recorders will automatically be restarted to maintain data integrity.

LED	Color	Status	Function
GLK	—	Off	The genlock module is not initialized.
	Green	Blinking	The genlock module is properly initialized, but no valid genlock signal is detected.
		On	The module is initialized and a valid genlock signal is detected.
	Red	Blinking	There is a genlock problem.
		On	A resync is needed.
PSU OK	Green	On	All voltages are present and in the allowed range.
	—	Off	There is a voltage problem.

V3X COD Modules LEDs

The following table lists the LEDs available on then V3X COD modules (from left to right):

LED	Color	Status	Function
CPU	Green	Blinking	Indicates CPU activity.
		On	There is a problem with the module processor.
PLAY	Green	On	The module is set in play mode by the software.
		Off	The module is set in record mode.
PVID	Green	On	A valid video signal has been detected on the J8 connector (SD/HD SDI input), whether the module is in play or record mode.
TF (transfer)	Green	Blinking	Data transfers occur between the module and the H3XP board.
M1	—	—	Not used.
M2			
M3			
M4			

6.3.2. COD Connectivity in SD and HD

Connector Assignments in 4-/6-Channel Modes

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the video standards SD 525i, SD 625i, HD 1080i and HD 720p in 4-/6-channel modes.

The specific connectivity for HD 3D/1080p Dual Link and 3D/1080p Single Link 3 Gbps is described in dedicated sections.

NOTE

The loops of the input signal (J6/J7) have the following characteristics:

- They are not genlocked.
- The video on these connectors has a one-line delay.
- The video does not include metadata in the vertical ancillary data space (SMPTE 334M packets).

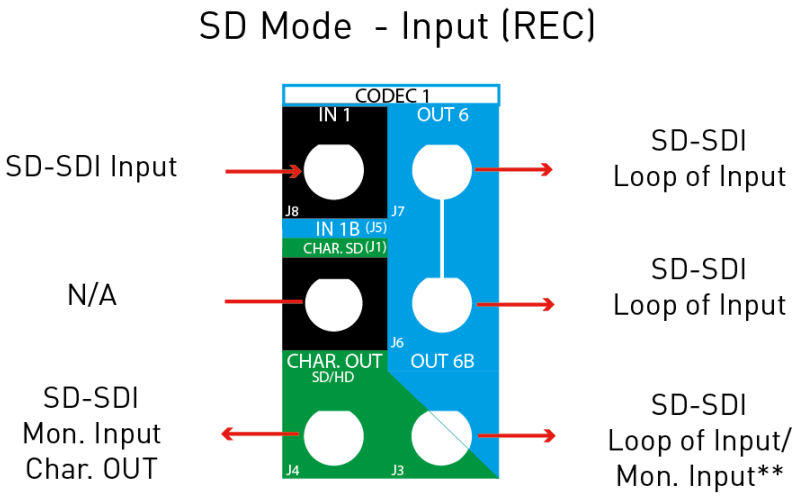
Connector	SD mode	HD mode	Connector label
J1	J5 is factory-wired to the backplane instead of J1. You can connect J1 instead of J5 if CVBS monitoring is required in SD or HD mode. SDI monitoring is no longer available on J1.		CHAR SD
	CVBS monitoring output (SD)	CVBS monitoring output (SD, down-converted)	
J2	SDI monitoring output (SD)	SDI monitoring output (HD)	Not wired to the backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input.
J3	SDI program output (SD) OR Monitoring of output signal** (SD)	SDI program output (SD, down-converted) OR Monitoring of output signal** (HD/SD*)	OUT B
J4	Monitoring output of SDI input (SD)	Monitoring output of SDI input (HD/SD)	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	Not used	Not used	IN B
J6	SDI program output (SD, identical to J7)	SDI program output (HD, identical to J7)	OUT
J7	SDI program output (SD, identical to J6)	HD-SDI program output (HD, identical to J6)	OUT
J8	SDI input (SD)	SDI input (HD)	IN
J9	Alternate SDI input (SD, for the internal loop)	Alternate SDI input (HD, for the internal loop)	Not wired to backplane. J9 of REC1 connected to Loop connector.

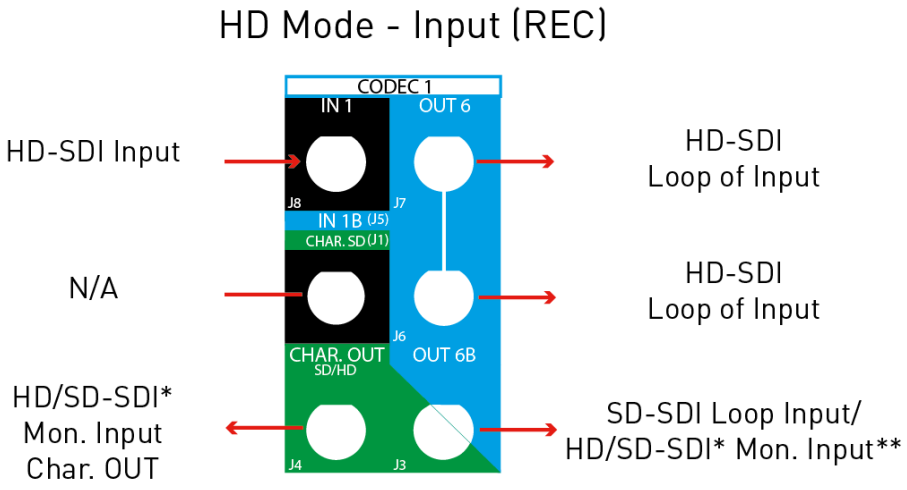
NOTE

In the schemas below, the single and double asterisks have the following meaning:

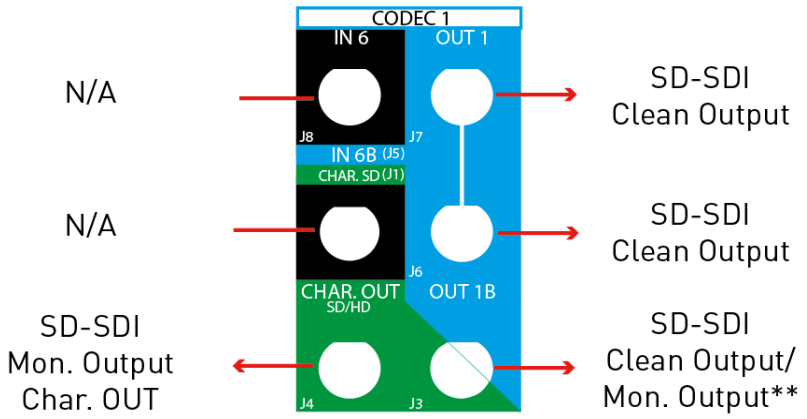
- * You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.
- ** You can select whether you want the video signal on J3 to include OSD or not. You define this in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player** and **J3 Recoder** fields. This changes the purpose of the signal. Some specific limitations may apply to the J3 signal. They are detailed in the tables.

Connector Layouts in 4-/6-Channel Modes

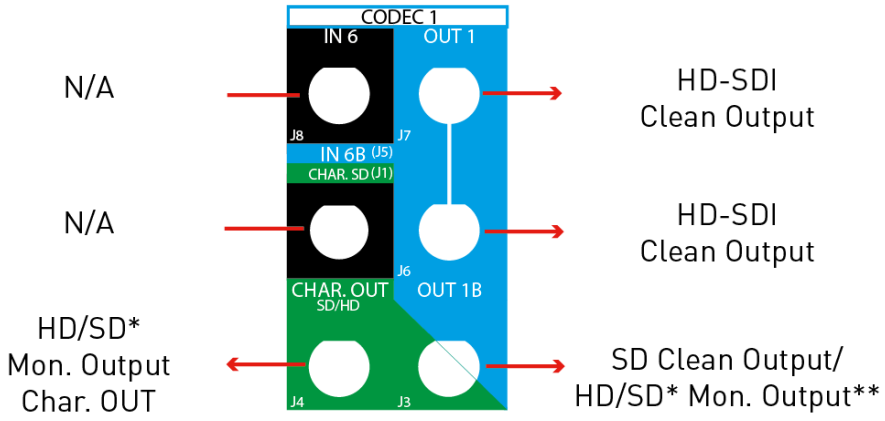




SD Mode - Output (PLAY)



HD Mode - Output (PLAY)



Connector Assignments in Extended Channel Modes

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the video standards SD 525i, SD 625i, HD 1080i and HD 720p in extended channel modes.

The specific connectivity for HD 3D/1080p Single Link 3 Gbps is described in dedicated sections.

Connector	SD mode	HD mode	Connector label
J1	Not used	Not used	CHAR SD
J2	SDI monitoring output (SD)	SDI monitoring output (HD)	Not wired to backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input.
J3	SDI program output B (SD)	SDI program output B (HD)	OUT B
J4	Monitoring output of SDI input A (SD)	Monitoring output of SDI input A (SD/HD)	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	SDI input B (SD)	SDI input B (HD)	IN B
J6	SDI program output A (SD, identical to J7)	SDI program output A (HD, identical to J7)	OUT
J7	SDI program output A (SD, identical to J6)	SDI program output A (HD, identical to J6)	OUT
J8	SDI input A (SD)	SDI input A (HD)	IN
J9	Alternate SDI input (SD, for the internal loop)	Alternate SDI input (HD, for the internal loop)	Not wired to backplane. J9 of IN1 connected to Loop connector.

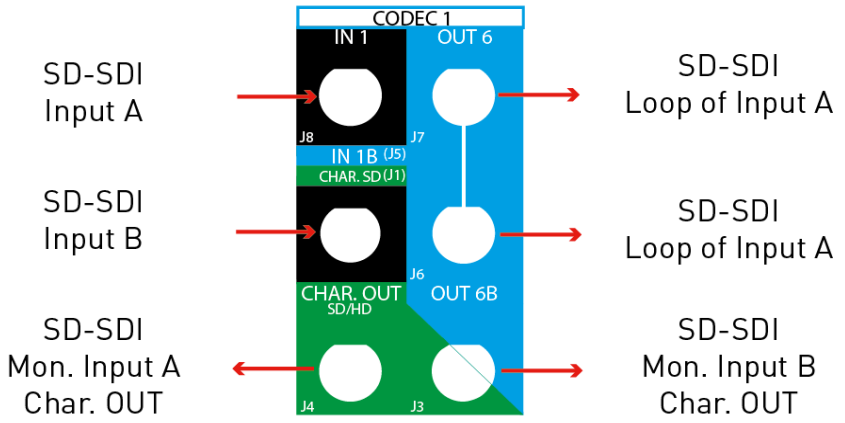
NOTE

In the schemas below, the single asterisk has the following meaning:

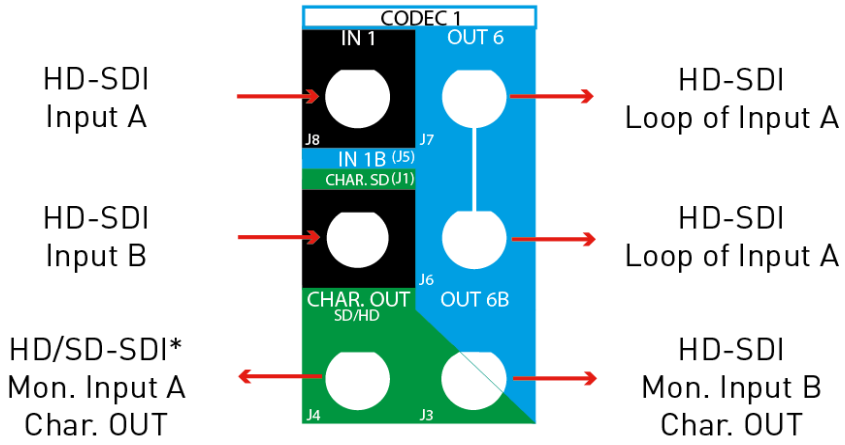
- * You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.

Connector Layouts in Extended Channel Modes

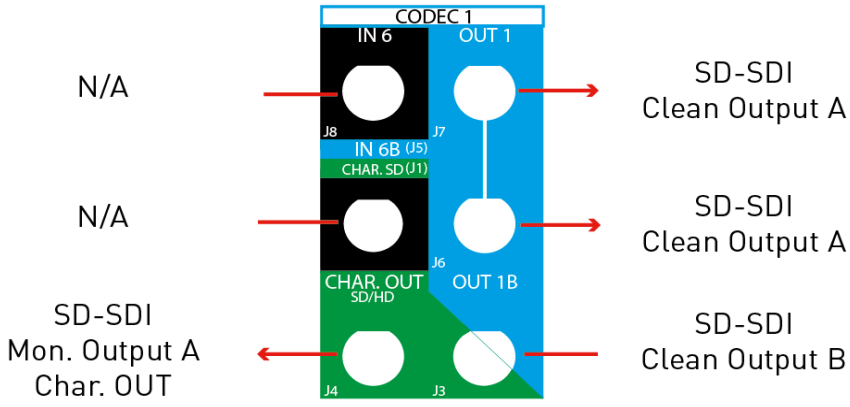
SD Mode - Input (REC)



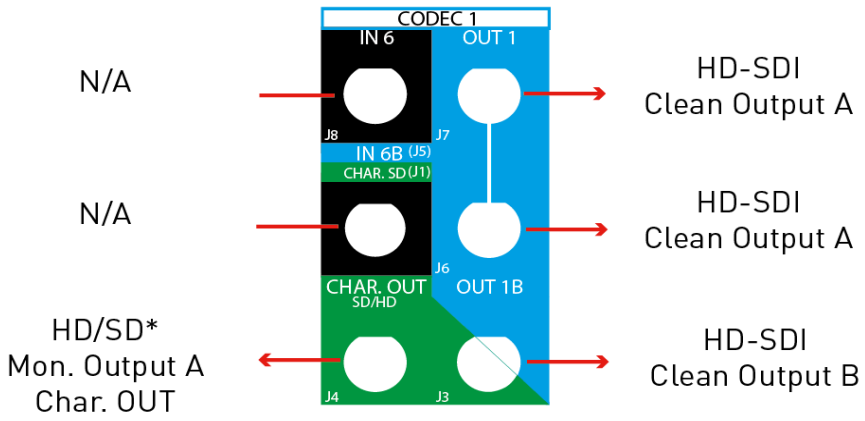
HD Mode - Input (REC)



SD Mode - Output (PLAY)



HD Mode - Output (PLAY)



6.3.3. COD Connectivity in 3D and 1080p Dual Link

Connector Assignments

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the video standards HD 3D and 1080p in Dual Link mode.

NOTE

The loops of the input signal (J6/J7) have the following characteristics:

- They are not genlocked.
- The video on these connectors has a one-line delay.
- The video does not include metadata in the vertical ancillary data space (SMPTE 334M packets).

Connector	3D/1080p mode	Connector label
J1	Not used	CHAR SD
J2	SDI monitoring output (HD)	Not wired to the backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input
J3	HD SDI program output for right eye (3D) or link 2 (1080p) (HD)	OUT B
J4	SDI monitoring output for left eye (3D) or link 1 (1080p) input (HD/SD*)	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	HD SDI input for right eye (3D) or link 2 (1080p) (HD)	IN B
J6	HD SDI program output for left eye (3D) or link 1 (1080p) (HD, identical to J7)	OUT
J7	HD SDI program output for left eye (3D) or link 1 (1080p) (HD, identical to J6)	OUT
J8	HD SDI input for left eye (3D) or link 1 (1080p) (HD)	IN
J9	Alternate HD SDI input (HD, for the internal loop)	Not wired to the backplane. J9 of REC1 only connected to Loop connector.

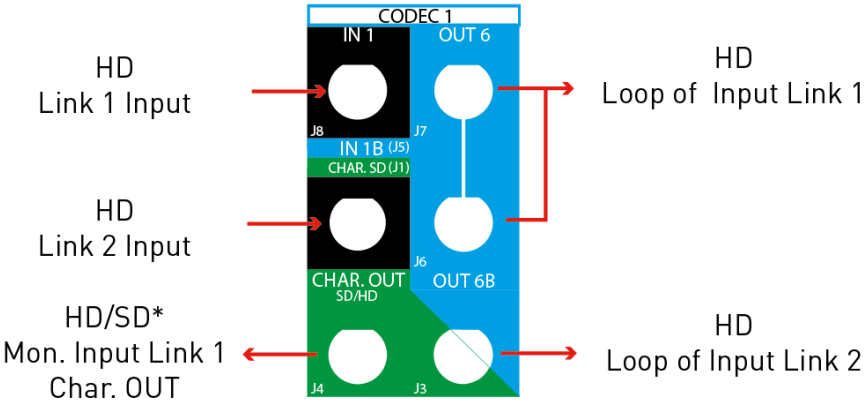
NOTE

In the schemas below, the single asterisk has the following meaning:

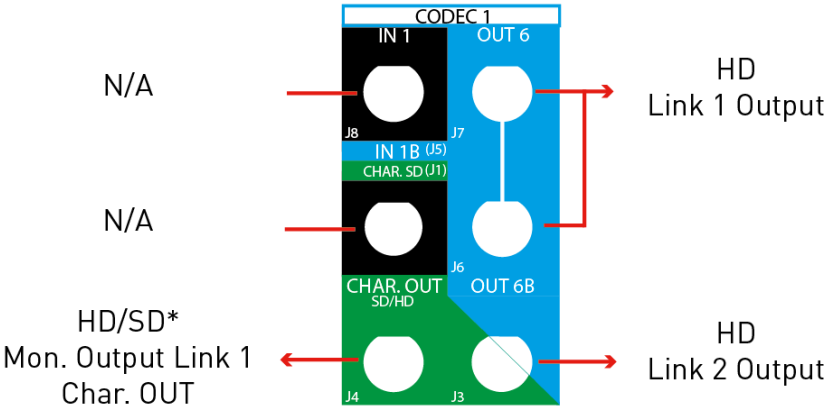
- * You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.

Connector Layouts

3D/1080p - Dual Link Input (REC)



3D/1080p - Dual Link Output (PLAY)



6.3.4. COD Connectivity in 3D Single Link 3G-SDI

Connector Assignments in 4-/6-Channel Modes

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the video standards HD 3D in Single Link 3G-SDI mode in 4-/6-channel modes.

NOTE

The loops of the input signal (J6/J7) have the following characteristics:

- They are not genlocked.
- The video on these connectors has a one-line delay.
- The video does not include metadata in the vertical ancillary data space (SMPTE 334M packets).

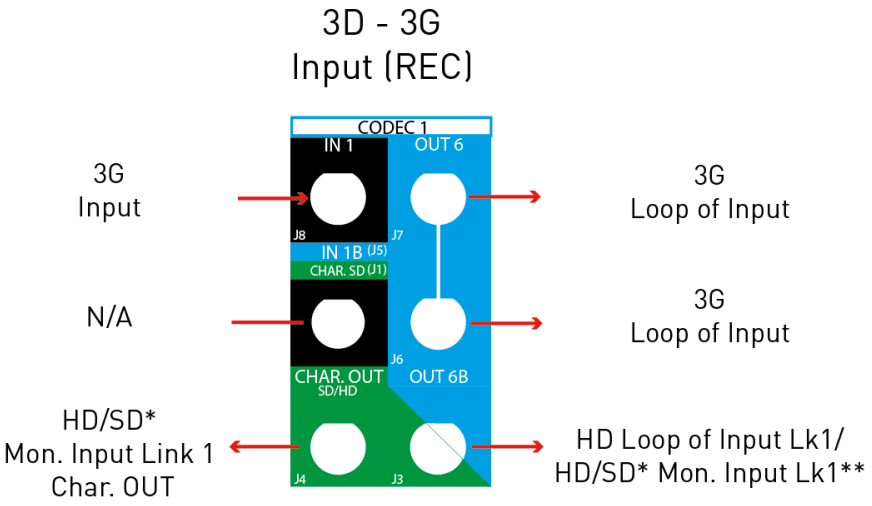
Connector	3D Mode	Connector label
J1	Not used	CHAR SD
J2	SDI program output (HD)	Not wired to backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input
J3	SDI program output for left eye (HD) OR Monitoring of output signal for left eye** (HD/SD*).	OUT B
J4	SDI monitoring output of 3D input (HD/SD*). Only left-eye monitoring.	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	Not used	IN B
J6	3G-SDI program output for 3D (3G, identical to J7)	OUT
J7	3G-SDI program output for 3D (3G, identical to J6)	OUT
J8	3G-SDI input of 3D signal (3G)	IN
J9	Alternate 3G-SDI input (3G, for the internal loop)	Not wired to backplane. J9 of REC1 only connected to Loop connector.

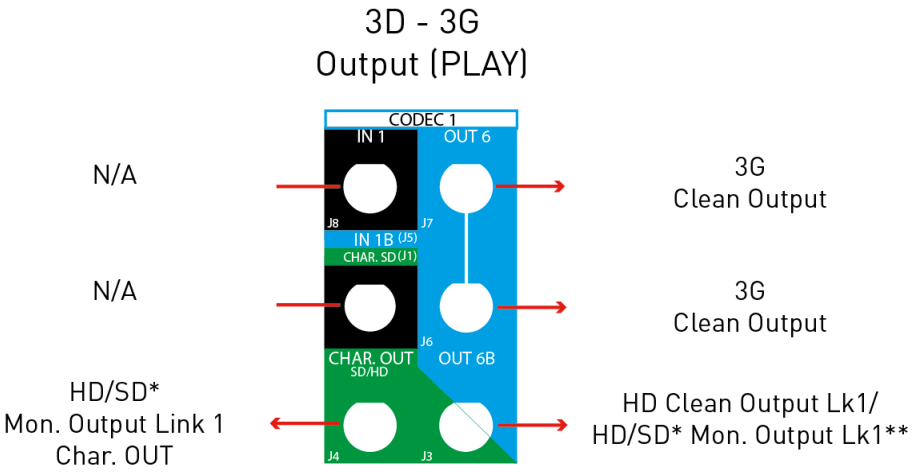
NOTE

In the schemas below, the single and double asterisks have the following meaning:

- * : You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration module, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.
- **: You can select whether you want the video signal on J3 to include OSD or not. You define this in the Multicam configuration module, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player** and **J3 Recoder** fields. This changes the purpose of the signal. Some specific limiations may apply to the J3 signal. They are detailed in the tables.

Connector Layouts in 4-/6-Channel Modes





6.3.5. COD Connectivity in 1080p Single Link 3G-SDI

Connector Assignments in 4-/6-Channel Modes

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the video standards HD 1080p in Single Link 3G-SDI mode in 4-/6-channel modes.

NOTE

The loops of the input signal (J6/J7) have the following characteristics:
- They are not genlocked.
- The video on these connectors has a one-line delay.
- The video does not include metadata in the vertical ancillary data space (SMPTE 334M packets).

NOTE

HD monitoring is not supported with 1080p level-A.

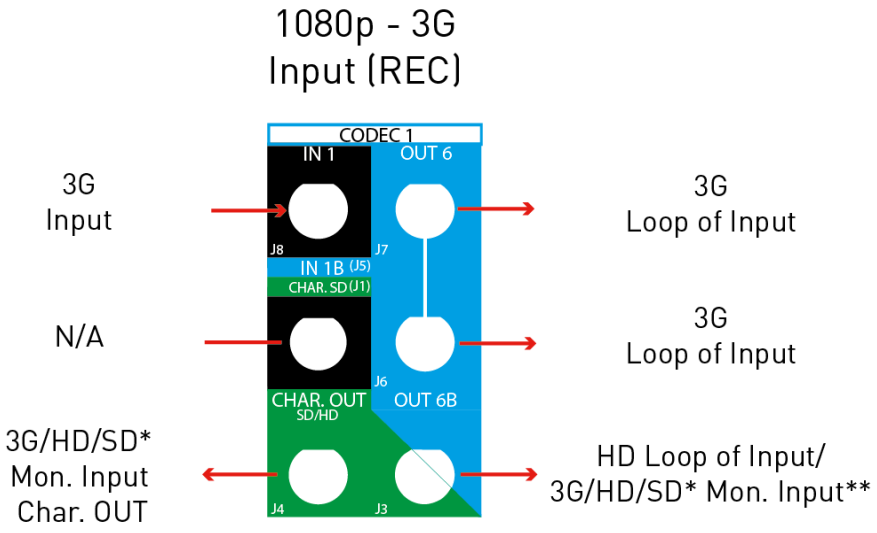
Connector	1080p Mode	Connector label
J1	Not used	CHAR SD
J2	SDI program output (HD)	Not wired to backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input
J3	SDI program output (HD) OR Monitoring of output signal** (3G/HD/SD*) .	OUT B
J4	SDI monitoring output of 1080p input (3G/HD/SD*).	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	Not used	IN B
J6	3G-SDI program output for 1080p (3G, identical to J7)	OUT
J7	3G-SDI program output for 1080p (3G, identical to J6)	OUT
J8	3G-SDI input of 1080p signal (3G)	IN
J9	Alternate 3G-SDI input (3G, for the internal loop)	Not wired to backplane. J9 of REC1 only connected to Loop connector.

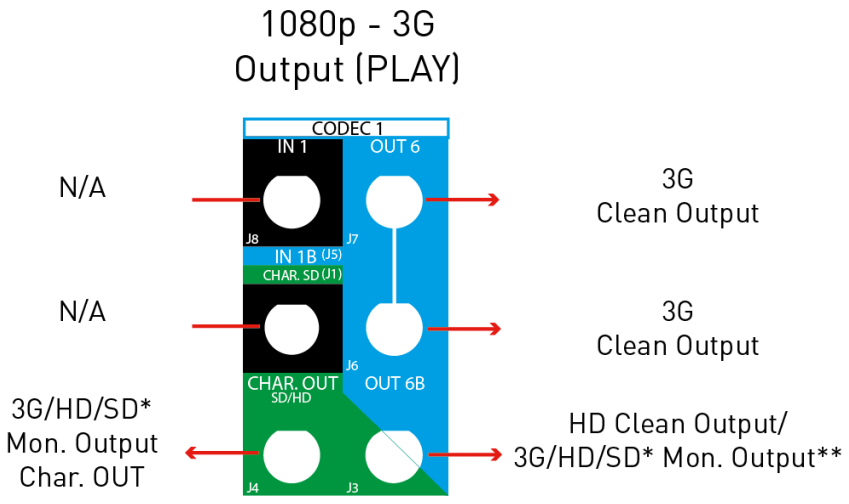
NOTE

In the schemas below, the single and double asterisks have the following meaning:

- * You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.
- ** You can select whether you want the video signal on J3 to include OSD or not. You define this in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player** and **J3 Recoder** fields. This changes the purpose of the signal. Some specific limitations may apply to the J3 signal. They are detailed in the tables.

Connector Layouts in 4-/6-Channel Modes





Connector Assignments in Extended Channel Modes

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the video standards HD 1080p in Single Link 3G-SDI mode in extended channel modes.

Connector	1080p Mode	Connector label
J1	Not used	CHAR SD
J2	SDI monitoring output (HD)	Not wired to backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input
J3	3G-SDI program output B of 1080p signal (3G)	OUT B
J4	SDI monitoring output of 1080p input A (3G/HD/SD*)	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	3G-SDI input B of 1080p signal (3G)	IN B
J6	3G-SDI program output A of 1080p signal (3G, identical to J7)	OUT
J7	3G-SDI program output A of 1080p signal (3G, identical to J6)	OUT
J8	3G-SDI input A of 1080p signal (3G)	IN
J9	Alternate 3G-SDI input (3G, for the internal loop)	Not wired to backplane. J9 of REC1 only connected to Loop connector.

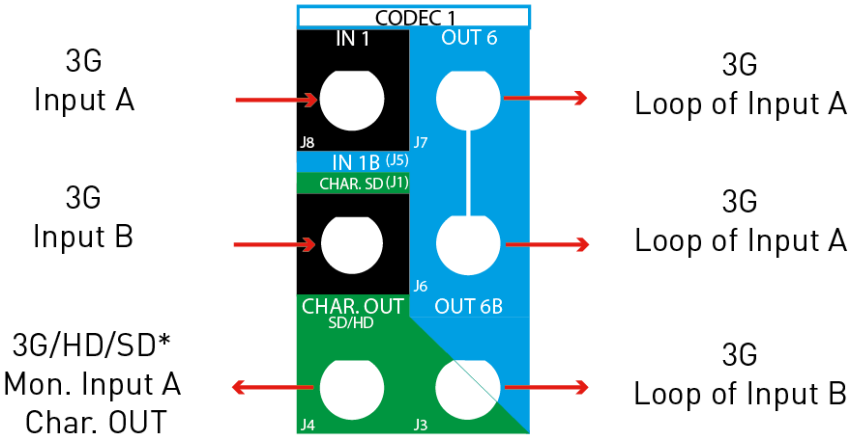
Connector Layouts in Extended Channel Modes

NOTE

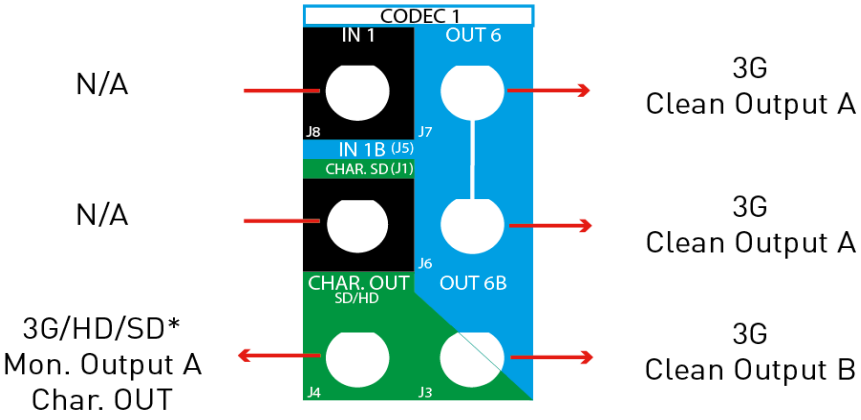
In the schemas below, the single asterisk has the following meaning:

- * You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.

1080p - 3G
Input (REC)



1080p - 3G
Output (PLAY)



6.3.6. COD Connectivity in SLSM 2Ph Single Link 3G-SDI

Connector Assignments

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the SLSM 2-phase cameras in Single Link 3G-SDI mode.

NOTE

The loops of the input signal (J6/J7) have the following characteristics:

- They are not genlocked.
- The video on these connectors has a one-line delay.
- The video does not include metadata in the vertical ancillary data space (SMPTE 334M packets).

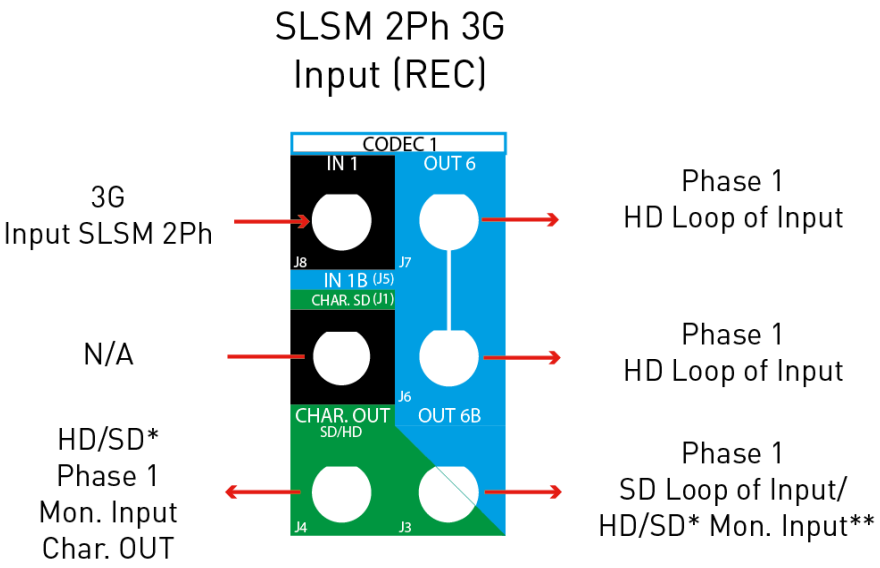
Connector	SLSM 2-Phase 3G Mode	Connector label
J1	N/A	CHAR SD
J2	SDI program output (HD)	Not wired to the backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input
J3	SDI program output (SD) OR Monitoring of output signal** (HD/SD*)	OUT B
J4	SDI monitoring output of SLSM input phase 1 (HD/SD*)	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	Not installed	IN B
J6	HD program output of phase 1 (identical to J7)	OUT
J7	HD program output of phase 1 (identical to J6)	OUT
J8	3G-SDI SLSM 2-Phase input (3G)	IN
J9	Alternate 3G-SDI SLSM 2-Phase input (3G, for internal loop)	Not wired to the backplane. J9 of REC1 only connected to Loop connector.

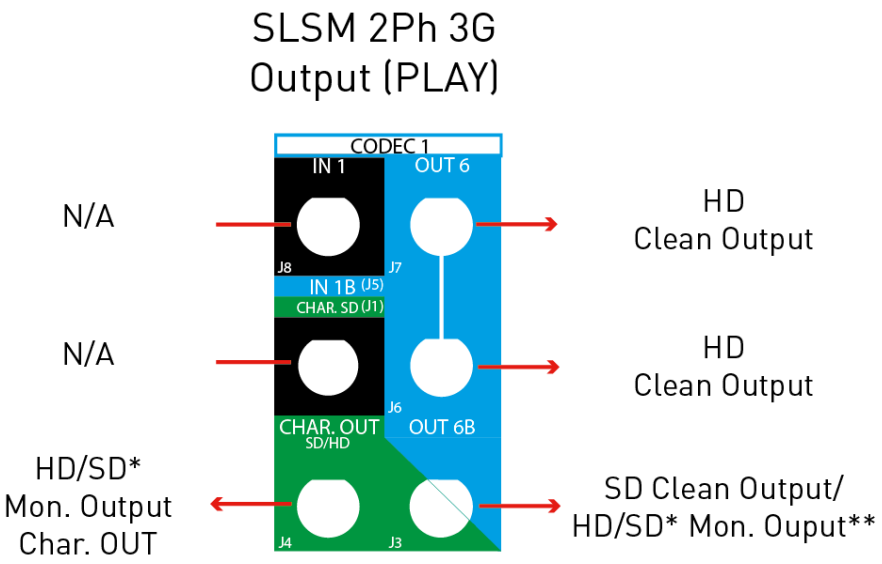
NOTE

In the schemas below, the single and double asterisks have the following meaning:

- * You can select the format of the monitoring output (with OSD) on J4 and J3 in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player**, **J3 Recoder** and **Char. OUT J4** fields.
- ** You can select whether you want the video signal on J3 to include OSD or not. You define this in the Multicam configuration, Monitoring tab, Monitoring settings, **J3 Player** and **J3 Recoder** fields. This changes the purpose of the signal. Some specific limitations may apply to the J3 signal. They are detailed in the tables.

Connector Layouts





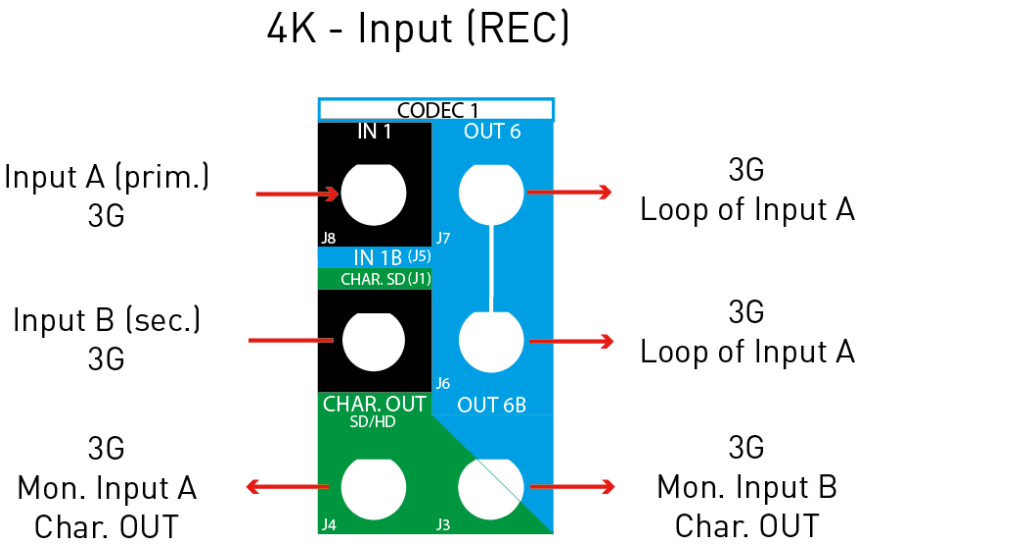
6.3.7. COD Connectivity in 4K

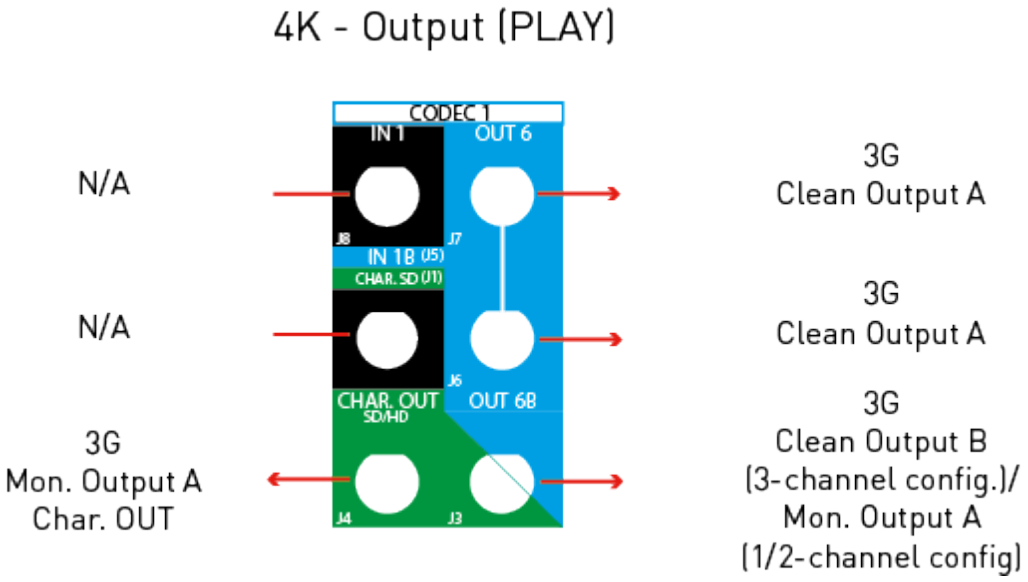
Connector Assignments

This section describes the connector assignments and layout for the 4K cameras that provide 4 x 3G-SDI connectors.

Connector	4K 3G Mode	Connector label
J1	N/A	CHAR SD
J2	N/A	Not wired to the backplane. Used for onboard multiviewer input
J3	3G-SDI program output B (3G) (Dual Rec & Dual Play) OR Monitoring of output A (3G) (only Dual Rec)	OUT B
J4	3G-SDI monitoring of input A (3G)	CHAR OUT SD/HD
J5	3G-SDI input B	IN B
J6	3G program output A (identical to J7)	OUT
J7	3G program output A (identical to J6)	OUT
J8	3G-SDI input A	IN
J9	N/A	Not wired to the backplane.

Connector Layouts





Monitoring Limitations

The monitoring of PGM B on J3 is only possible in a 1 REC + 1 PLAY configuration.

In a 2REC + 1 PLAY configuration, the monitoring of the player 1 is only available with the internal multiviewer.

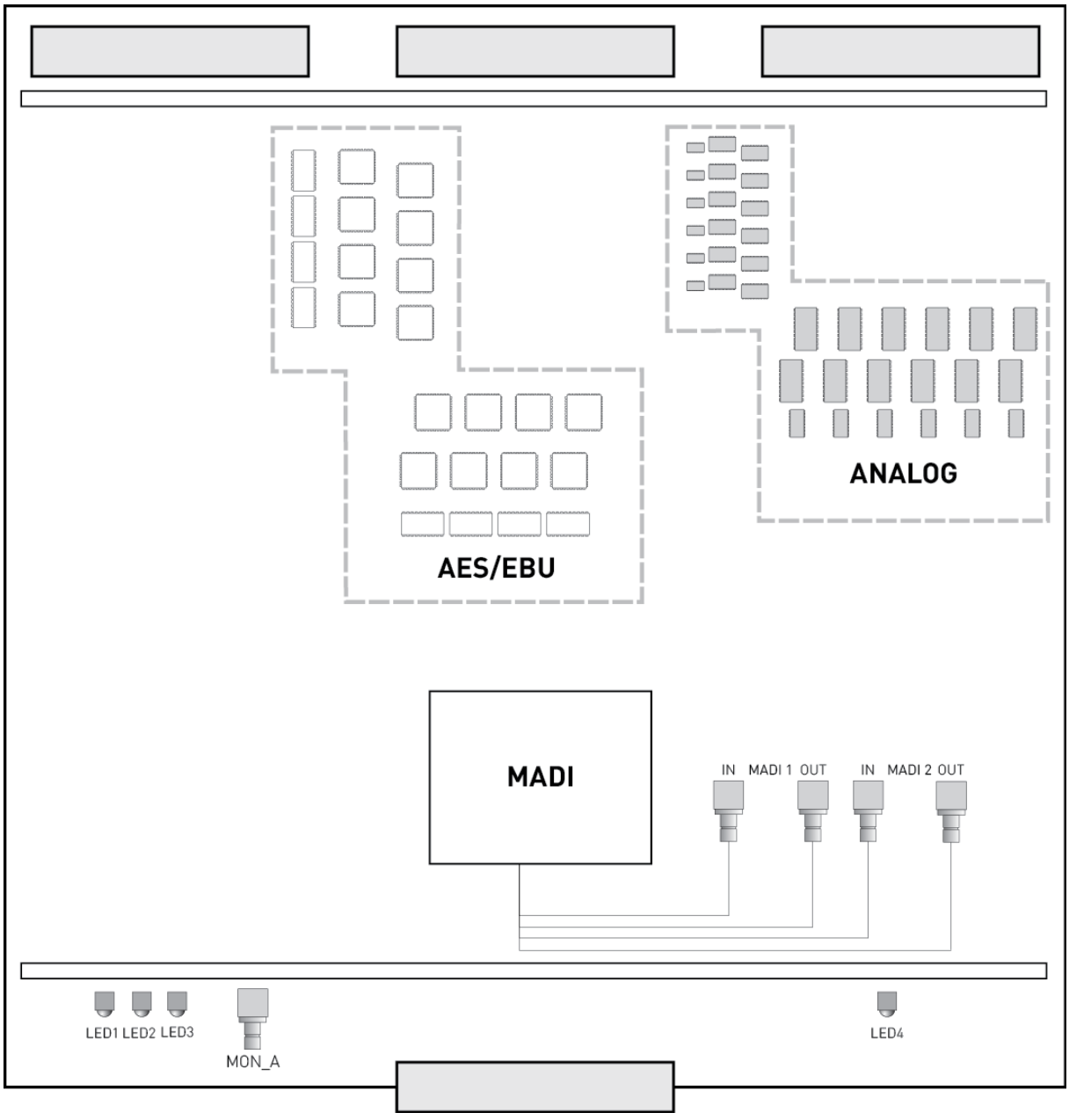
In a 1REC + 2PLAY configuration, the monitoring of the player 2 is only available with the internal multiviewer.

6.4. Audio Codec Board

The audio codec board (A3X) is the audio interface between the V3X boards and the H3XP board. Video codec and audio codec boards are tied to the H3XP board with one bus connector on the front side. Different audio configurations are available with the audio codec board. See section "Audio Connections" on page 47 for details.

The following LEDs are available on the audio codec board:

- LED 1-3: internal EVS information only.
- LED 4: transfer activity to/from the H3XP board.

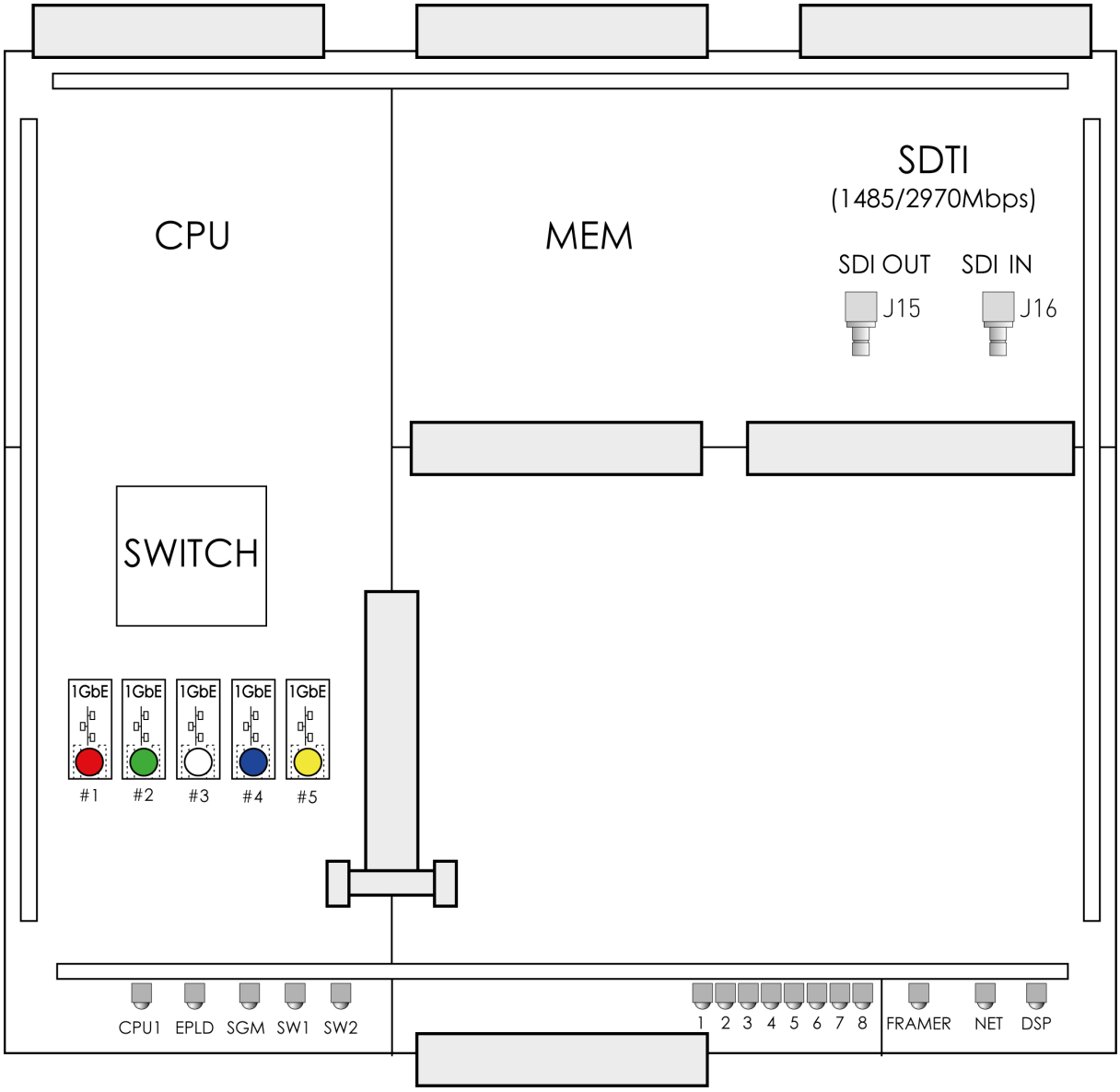


6.5. Controller Boards

6.5.1. H3XP Board

The H3XP board is divided in 5 parts:

- Back left: CPU module.
- Back center: MEM module.
- Back right: SDTI module.
- Front left: Internal switch module
- Front right: not used currently



LEDs Function

The available LEDs linked to the CPU module are, from left to right:

LED	Color	Status	Function
CPU1 EPLD	Green	Blinking	These LEDs blink to indicate that the processor is running.
Other LEDs	—	—	For EVS internal use only.

The available LEDs linked to the SDTI controller module are, from left to right:

LED	Color	Status	Function
LED 1	Green	On	Ok.
	Red	On	An error occurred while booting the H3XP board.
LED 2 to LED 8	—	—	For EVS internal use only.
FRAMER	Green	On	The signal on the XNet IN connector is a valid EVS SDTI signal.
NET	Green	On	The XNet SDTI network is established (SDTI loop closed, correct speed, etc).
DSP	Green	Blinking	Indicates DSP activity (audio processing).

Connectors

The following connectors are available on the XNet (SDTI) module:

J15	OUT connector for XNet (SDTI network 2970 Mbps without relay).
J16	IN connector for XNet (SDTI network 2970 Mbps without relay).

Switch Cabling

The internal switch module provides a more efficient communication between the H3XP board on one hand, and the MTPC board and MV4 board on the other hand.

The internal switch relies on the internal LAN, an IP-based network inside the EVS server.

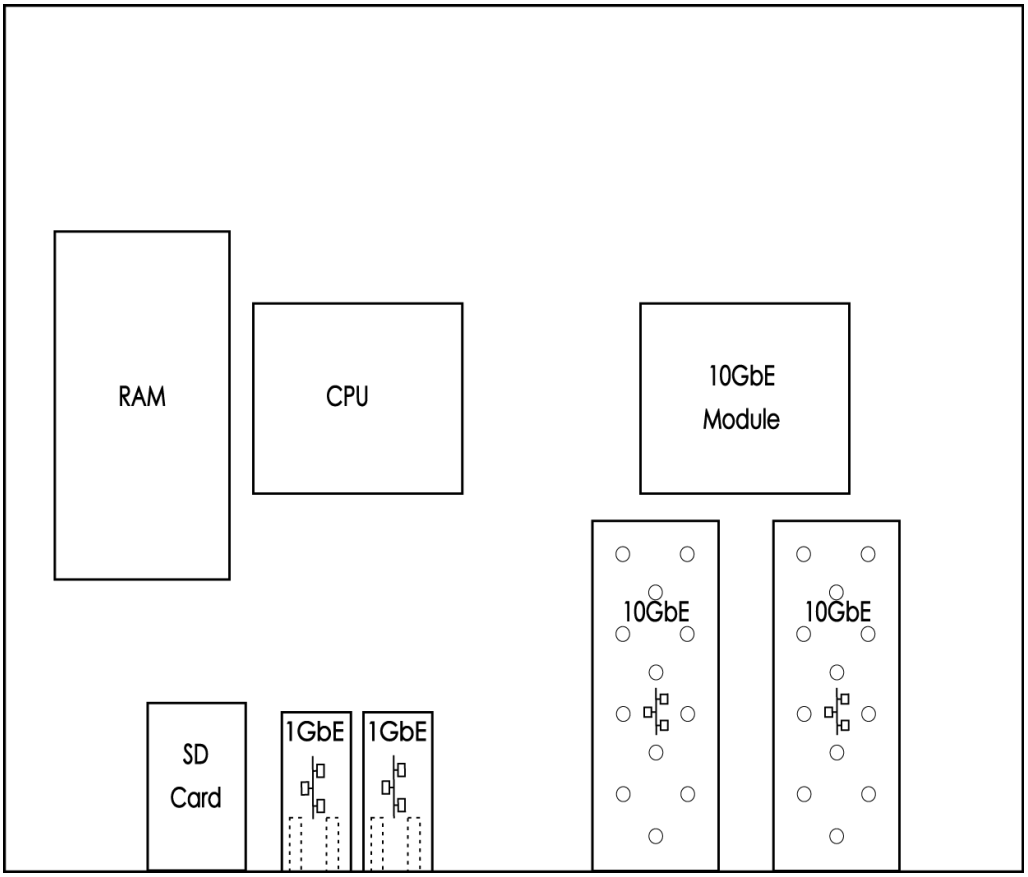
The following connectors are available on the internal switch module and need to be cabled as described below:

Connector	Cable Color	Connection
#1	Red	Connection to the HS873 motherboard on the MTPC board
#2	Green	Connection to the MV4 module (multiviewer) on the MTPC board
#3	White	Connection to the EVS LNK connector on the rear panel (not currently used)
#4	Blue	Connection to the PCLAN 1 connector on the rear panel
#5	Yellow	Connection to the PCLAN 2 connector on the rear panel

6.6. GbE Board

Schema

The following schema shows the 10GbE board and its main components on an XT3 6U server:



Connectors

The SD card is connected to a slot on the 10GbE module of the EVS server backplane.

The two 1GbE connectors are connected to the two backplane 1GbE ports.

The two 10GbE connectors are connected to the two backplane 10GbE ports.

The Gigabit connectors must be on a network that supports Jumbo Frames of (at least) 9014 bytes Ethernet frames.

You can set up the GbE IP addresses in the Multicam Configuration window, in the Network tab, Gigabit Ethernet section. See the Configuration manual for more information.

SFP+ Modules

The following 10 GbE SFP+ modules are compatible with the 10GbE connectors of the GbE board:

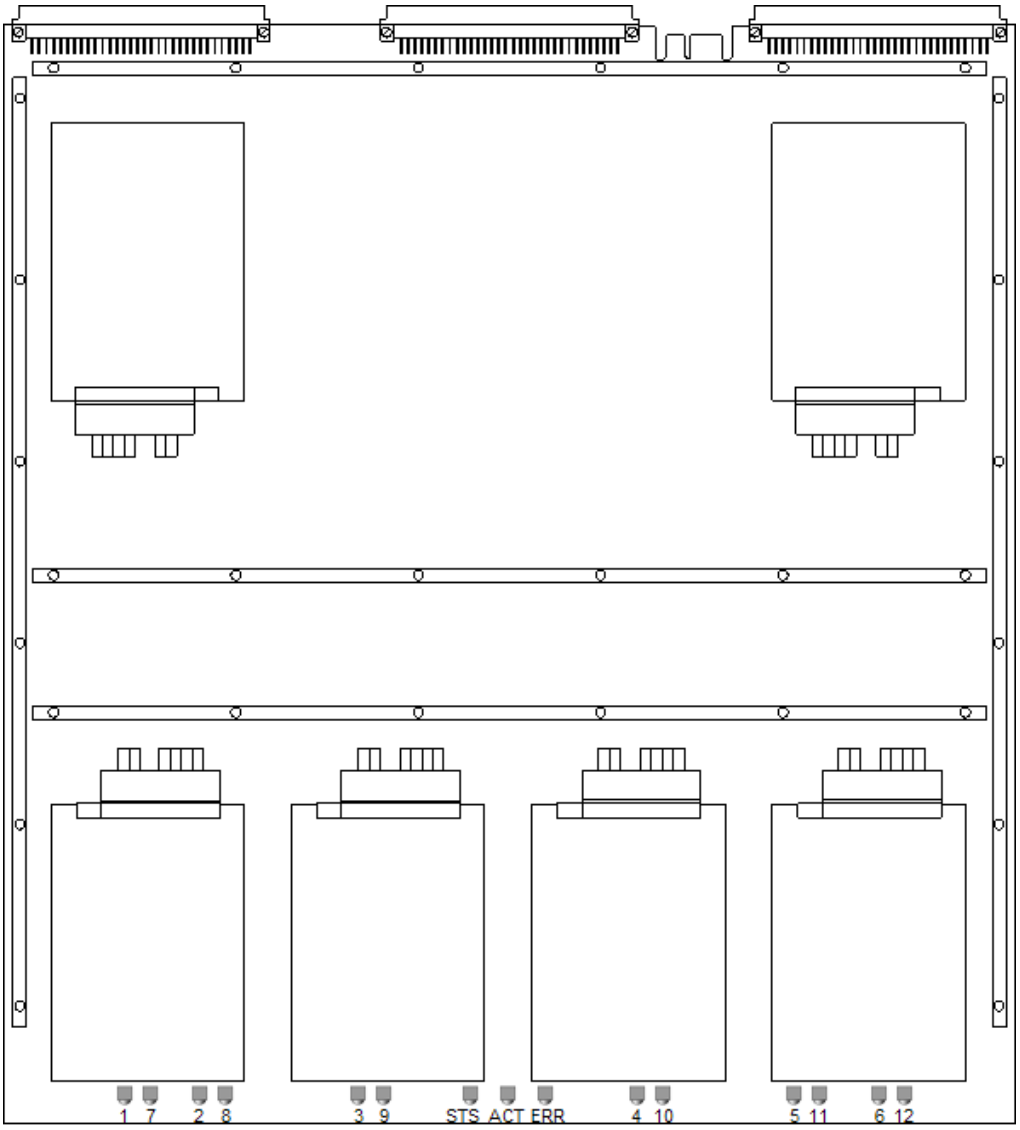
- Intel® Ethernet SFP+ SR Optic (E10GSFPSR)
- Intel® Ethernet SFP+ LR Optic (E10GSFPLR)

6.7. RAID Controller Boards

6.7.1. RSAS Board with Fixed Disks

Overview

The internal array with a series of 6 fixed disks is available on XT3 4U servers.



LEDs Position on Fixed Disk Array

LEDs 1 to 6 are used for the internal array of 6 disks.

LEDs correspond to the disks as schematized as followed:

lower	1			6
lower	2	3	4	5

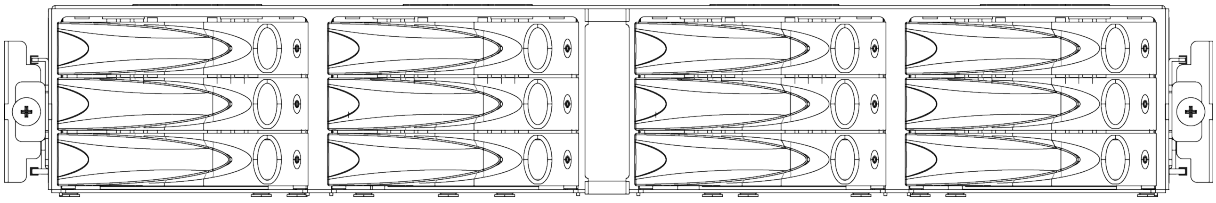
LEDs Status and Function

LED	Status	Function
Disk LEDs	Off	the corresponding disk is not started (not spinning)
	On, fast blinking (green)	the corresponding disk is starting (spinning)
	On, steady (green)	the corresponding disk is started and used in the RAID array
	On, slowly blinking (green)	the corresponding disk is started but not used in the RAID array
STS	On (green)	the RSAS RAID controller is properly booted.
ERR	On (red)	errors occur during the data transfer between the RAID controller and the disks

6.7.2. RSAS-PK12 Board with Hot-Swappable Disks

Overview

The internal hot-swappable disk array is available on XT3 6U servers with 6 or 12 SAS HDDs.



An array of six hot-swappable SAS disks consists of two stacked series of three disks, mounted from left to right.

An array of 12 hot-swappable SAS disks consists of four stacked series of three disks, mounted from left to right.

LEDs Status and Function

For each disk, a blue LED and a red LED are present behind a single light display:

Status		Function
Blue LED	**Red LED**	
Off	On (steady)	Defect drive – must be replaced.
Blinking	Off	Connected, disk being written to / read from.
On (steady)	Off	Connected, disk not currently written to / read from.
On (steady)	On, slowly blinking	Spare disk - the corresponding disk is started and used in the RAID array. Blue and red blinking light makes the LED look purple.
Off	Off	The corresponding disk is not present.

6.7.3. External RAID Array SAS-HDX

Overview

The SAS-HDX is a 2U external disk storage containing up to 24 hot-swappable SAS disks, with a minimum of 5 disks. External storage can be used with or without internal storage.

It is connected to the server via a dedicated SAS cable on the rear panel of the server, provided that the X-ESAS connection module has been placed inside the server.

Necessary equipment:

- Server with SAS-HDX connector on the rear panel.
- Multicam version 10.05 or higher
- SAS-HDX external disk storage

LEDs on the External Array

For each disk, a blue LED and a red LED are present behind a single light display:

Status		Function
Blue LED	**Red LED**	
Off	On (steady)	Defect drive – must be replaced.
Blinking	Off	Connected, disk being written to / read from.
On (steady)	Off	Connected, disk not currently written to / read from.
On (steady)	On, slowly blinking	Spare disk - the corresponding disk is started and used in the RAID array. Blue and red blinking light makes the LED look purple.
Off	Off	The corresponding disk is not present.

NOTE

When starting from a clean disk array (after a “Clear Video Disks” from the EVS maintenance menu), the server is recording first on RAID #0 until this one is full, then on RAID #1 and finally on RAID #2. It is therefore normal to see activity only on some disks depending on how much material (clips and record trains) is stored on the server.

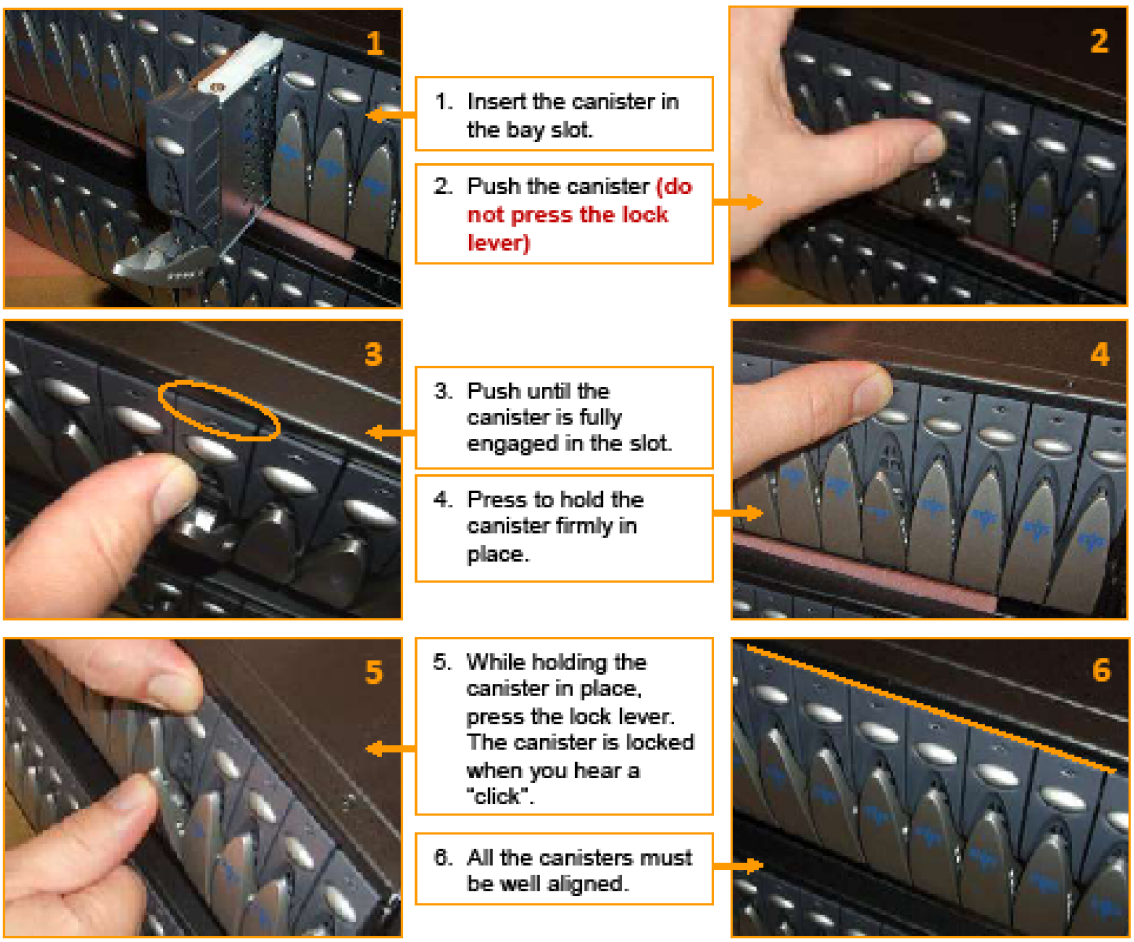
Sound Alert on External Array

When a fan or a power supply unit fails on an external array, a sound alert is given and can be stopped by pressing the Mute button on the array.

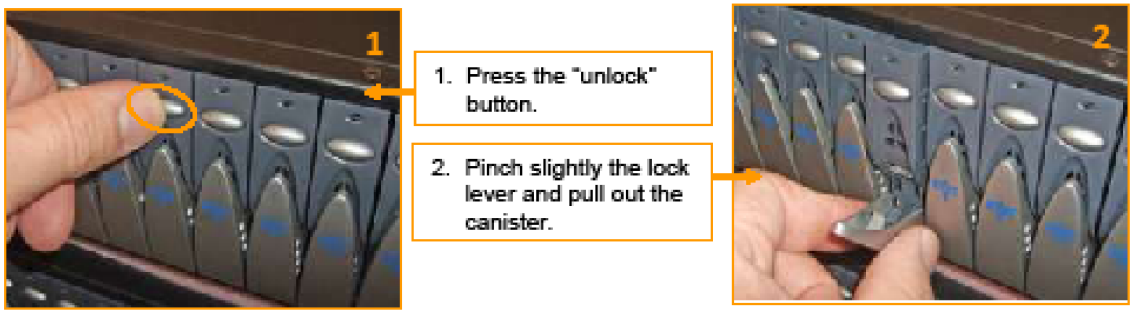
Disk Insertion and Removal

To insert or remove a disk from an external array, carefully follow these steps:

1. **How to insert**



2. **How to remove**



6.8. MTPC Board

Introduction

The function of the PC board is mainly the control of the video hardware and the interface of the peripheral equipment (such as a remote controller) with the video hardware.

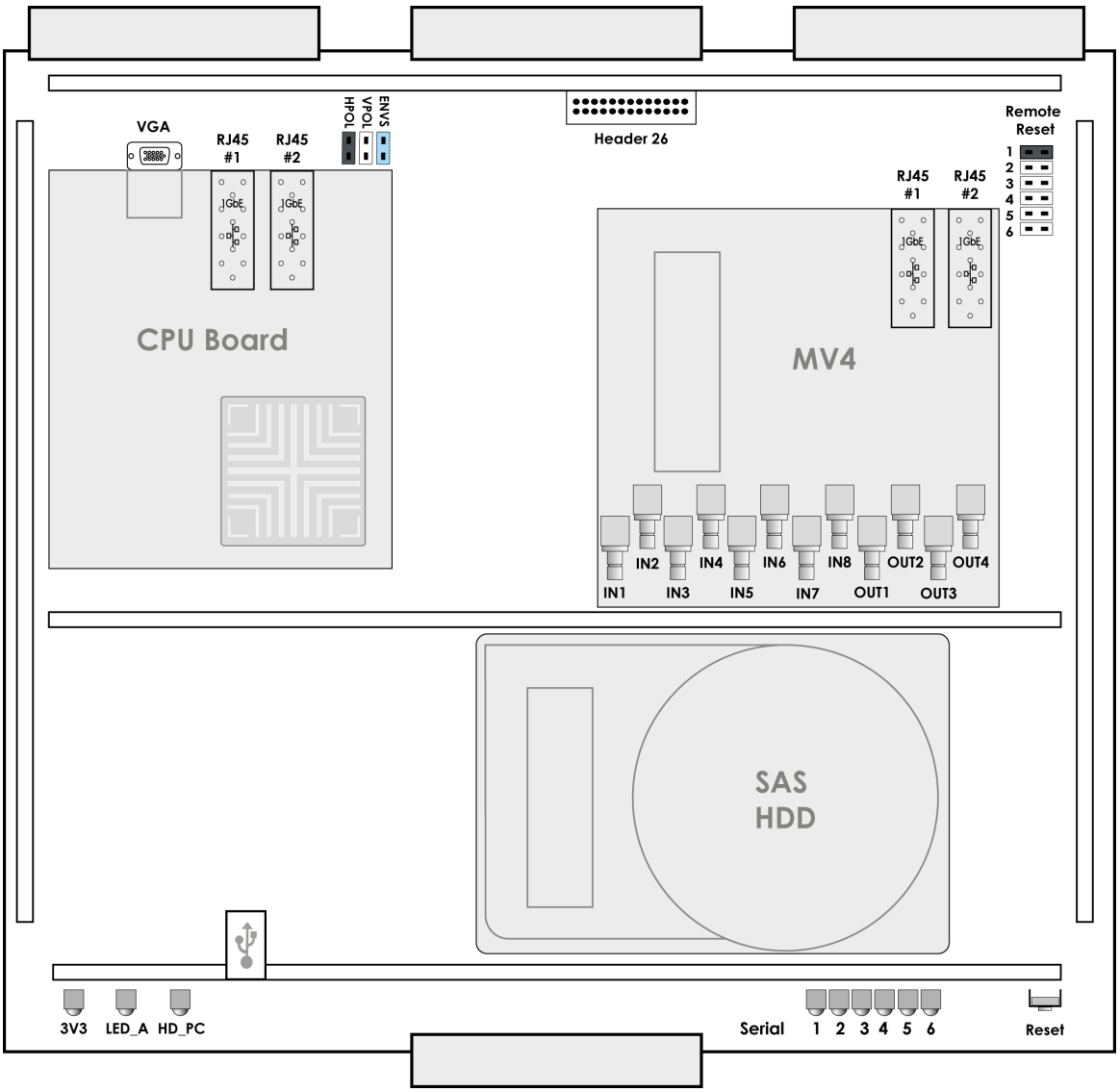
The following MTPC board is used:

- Revision A3/A6 with COMMEL HS873 motherboard and a new time code management module (with bootable USB).

In standard configuration the PC hardware is composed of:

- One mounting PC board, with serial ports, LTC reader and generator, is controlled by the motherboard.
- SAS System Hard disk: the SAS disk drive is used for storing the EVS software and the operating system. Neither audio nor video data is saved on this disk. The capacity of this drive may vary depending on market availability, but two system partitions are defined:
  - one system partition of 2 GB for Multicam versions up to 14.XX
  - one system partition of the remaining disk capacity for Multicam versions from 15.00.
- NEW ! 2 GB SDRAM (or higher) to suit the system requirements from Multicam 16.00. Please contact EVS support for RAM upgrade. Do not use standard PC RAM modules.

Illustration



MV4

The connectors on the MV4 board are described from top to down, and from left to right.

Connectors	Function
GbE #1 (left)	The GbE #1 connector (RJ45) is not used.
GbE #2 (right)	The GbE #2 connector (RJ45) is connected to the green cable coming from the GbE #2 connector on the H3XP board.
IN 1-6	The connectors IN1 to IN6 of the MV4 board are connected to the J2 connectors from the CODEC modules of the V3X board.
IN7-8	The connectors IN7 and IN8 of the MV4 board are connected to the Multiviewer I1 and I2 connectors on the rear panel of the server.
OUT1-4	The OUT1 connector of the MV4 board is connected to the Multiviewer O1 connector on the rear panel of the server, and so on for the other connectors.

CPU (HS873)

Connectors	Function
VGA	The VGA connector is connected to the VGA connector on the rear panel.
GbE #1 (left)	The GbE #1 connector (RJ45) is connected to the red cable coming from the GbE #1 connector on the H3XP board.
GbE #2 (right)	The GbE #2 connector (RJ45) is not used.

LED Information

Internal EVS information.

Board Configuration

HPOL, VPOL and ENVS are used to configure the composite sync generator used in LSM TV mode (no effect if the server is only used with a VGA monitor).

The HPOL jumper can be used to invert or not the VGA HS signal (Horizontal Sync) to generate the composite output signal (TV mode).

The VPOL jumper can be used to invert or not the VGA VS signal (Vertical Sync) to generate the composite output signal (TV mode).

The ENVS jumper can be used to enable or not the presence of the VGA VS signal (Vertical Sync) in the composite output signal (TV mode).

If the LSM TV mode is used, these jumpers must be set up according to EVS recommendations, which depend on software version and CPU board model/revision:

Set up the jumpers as follows:

- HPOL=On; VPOL=Off; ENVS=On

REMOTE RESET jumpers are available to designate the remote(s) from which the RESET command can be sent.

This command resets the whole system: PC and video hardware.

In standard configuration only Remote one (on RS422 port 1) is allowed to reset the system.

WARNING

This jumper should be removed if the device connected to the RS422 port is NOT an EVS controller. Maximum voltage on pin 5 of an RS422 port of the server should not exceed 5 Volt when the corresponding jumper is engaged. Applying a higher voltage on pin 5 when the corresponding jumper is engaged will result in permanent electronic damage to the board.

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