

**Industrial PC** 

# PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C



PN: CS10600T070

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# PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C



Front View



**Rear View** 



Front View (Embedded Variant)



Rear View (Embedded Variant)

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Product Overview Product Overview

# **Product Overview**

The Cortex<sup>®</sup>-A8 series PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070) is a high-quality industrial PC. It features a 7.0" five-point capacitive and four-wire resistive touch screen with a resolution of  $1024 \times 600$  pixels and brightness of  $500 \text{ cd/m}^2$ .

## **Key Applications**

- Human Machine Interface HMI
- Process Control
- Process Monitoring
- HMI
- Infotainment
- Predictive Maintenance
- Machine Learning
- Machine Vision
- Automotive applications
- Gaming...

It is available both as an embedded solution and as a device hosed in an aluminum casing with bezels, thus facilitating different installation options:

- Installation on an industrial cabinet
- Integration with the existing equipment

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC is based around the powerful CS-SOM335X-V3 System on Module (SoM), powered by the AM3354 Arm<sup>®</sup> Cortex<sup>®</sup>-A8 microprocessor unit (MPU). The AM33554 MPU is enhanced with image, graphics processing, peripherals and industrial interface options such as EtherCAT and PROFIBUS. The devices support high-level operating systems (HLOS).

The microprocessor unit (MPU) subsystem is based on the ARM Cortex-A8 processor and the PowerVR SGX™ Graphics Accelerator subsystem provides 3D graphics acceleration to support display and gaming effects.

The AM33554 MPU does not generate extensive heat, so even the thin aluminum housing on PPC version delivers sufficient thermal dissipation.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Ordering Options

# Ordering Options

Chipsee products can be customized during the ordering process. The product will be shipped with the pre-installed factory defaults if no extra requirements are specified. The table in the Hardware Features section provides information about the default options bundled with the product.



Note

You can order EPC/PPC-A8-070H-C from the official Chipsee Store or from your nearest distributor.

## Operating System

This product comes with a pre-installed OS of your choice. Please see the list below for the supported OSes, which can be also obtained from the Software Documentation section, along with the detailed installation instructions.

- Android 4.1
- Linux with Qt 4.8
- Linux with Qt 5.5
- Debian 7.4
- · Debian 8.4
- Angstorm v2012.12



#### Warning

The Software Documentation section provides a detailed instruction how to install different OS on your own. However, bear in mind that Chipsee can't take the responsibility of inadequate installation procedure. If you "brick" your device, please contact Chipsee Technical Support at support@chipsee.com for further assistance

## **Optional Features**

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC does not include WiFi/BT and/or 3G/4G modules by default. These modules are optional and can be selected at the Chipsee store during the ordering process.



#### Warning

Installation, repair, and maintenance tasks should be performed by trained personnel only. Chipsee does not bear any responsibility for damage caused by inadequate handling of the product.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Hardware Features

# Hardware Features

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC offers a board range of performance and connectivity options for scalable integration, providing expandability according to future needs. Some of the key features are listed in the table below.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C				
СРИ	AM3354ZCZ100, Arm <sup>®</sup> Cortex <sup>®</sup> -A8, 1GHz			
RAM	512MB DDR3			
еММС	4GB			
Storage	TF Card, Supports up to 32GB SDHC			
Display	7.0" LCD, 1024 x 600 resolution px, brightness 500 cd/m <sup>2</sup>			
Touch	5-point capacitive and resistive touch			
USB	2 x USB 2.0 Host			
LAN	1 x Channel 100M LAN			
Audio	3.5mm output/input connector, 2W Internal Speaker			
Buzzer	Yes			
RTC	Yes			
RS232	2 x RS232			
RS485	2 x RS4851			
CAN	1 x CAN1			
GPIO	8 Channels			
WiFi/BT	Onboard WiFi/BT (optional)			
Expansion Port	1 x 20-pin (PCB Footprint)			
3G/4G/LTE	N/A			
Power Input	From 6V to 42V			
Current at 12V	600mA Max			
Power Consumption	6W Typical			
Working Temperature	From -20°C to +70°C			
os	Multiple Choices (Operating System)			
Dimensions	EPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070E): 190 x 107.8 x 29mm			
Dimensions	PPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070P): 206 x 135 x 29.8mm			
Weight	EPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070E): 340g			
	PPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070P): 680g			
Mounting	EPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070E): Embedded			

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PPC-A8-070H-C (PN: CS10600T070P): Panel

Table 165 Key Features

**1(1,2)**The RS485 and CAN channels may be customized to the following arrangement:

- 2 x RS485, 1 x CAN (Default)
- 1 x RS485, 2 x CAN

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Power Input

# Power Input

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC can be powered by a wide range of input voltages: From 6V to 42V DC. The power input connector is a **3-pin, 3.81mm terminal**. The polarity and the pinout is clearly marked on the housing of the PPC version, as well as on the PCB itself of the EPC version, as shown in the figure below.



Figure 662: Power Input (embedded/enclosed version)

Note that the "+" sign represents the positive power input, and it is printed both at the casing and as a silk-screen on a PCB of the embedded version. The "-" terminal is shorted to the ground.

Power Input Defin	ower Input Definition			
Pin Number	Definition	Description		
Pin 1	Positive Input	DC Power <b>Positive Terminal</b>		
Pin 2	Negative Input	DC Power <b>Negative Terminal</b>		
Pin 3	Ground	Power System Ground		

Table 166 Power Connector



The system ground "**G**" is connected to power negative "-" on board.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Touch Screen

# **Touch Screen**

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC uses a 5-point capacitive and resistive touch screen. The figure below shows the capacitive or resistive screen connected to the motherboard via the **FPC connector**.

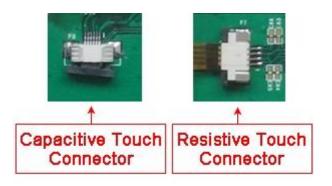


Figure 663: Capacitive or Resistive Touch Connector



#### **Attention**

A capacitive touch screen is susceptible to power noise and Electromagnetic Radiation (EMR). It may cause LCD ripples or even capacitive touch malfunction. If using a capacitive multi-touch test application, you might notice the touch points float erratically across the display. There are several solutions to this problem:

- 1. Use a high-quality Power Adapter Unit (PSU) with low EMR. You can also provide power from a battery.
- 2. Make sure that the PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Power Input connector (pin 3) is properly connected to the Power System Ground to provide sufficient EMI shielding and eliminate the problem entirely.
- 3. Bad GND problem can also be confirmed by touching pin 3 of the Power Input connector with one hand while operating the capacitive touch screen with the other hand. In this case, the operator's body acts as the Power System Ground.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Connectivity

# Connectivity

There are many connectivity options available on the PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C industrial PC. It has 2 x USB 2.0 Host (can be customized to Host or OTG), 1 x Channel 100M LAN (RJ45) Ethernet connector supporting up to 1 Gbps, and 5 x UART terminals (RS232/RS485).

## RS232/RS485/CAN

The serial communication interfaces (RS485, RS482, and CAN) are routed to a **12-pin 3.81mm terminal**, as illustrated on the figure below.

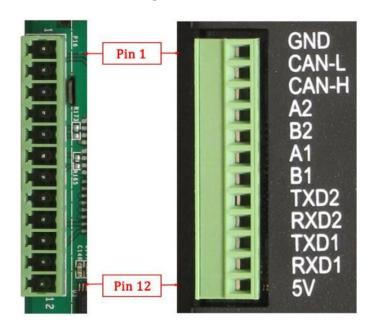


Figure 664: Relation between serial pins on embedded vs. enclosed version of the PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C RS232/RS485/CAN

The table below offers more detailed description of every pin and its definition:

RS232 / RS485 / CAN Pin Definition:				
Pin Number Definition		Description		
Pin 12	+5V	System +5V Power Output, No more than 1A Current output		
Pin 11	RXD1	UART0 of CPU, RS232 RXD Signal		
Pin 10	TXD1	UART0 of CPU, RS232 TXD Signal		
Pin 9	RXD2	UART1 of CPU, RS232 RXD Signal		
Pin 8	TXD2	UART1 of CPU, RS232 TXD Signal		
Pin 7	B1	UART2 of CPU, RS485 B Signal		
Pin 6	A1	UART2 of CPU, RS485 A Signal		
Pin 5	B2	UART4 of CPU, RS485 B Signal		
Pin 4	A2	UART4 of CPU, RS485 A Signal		
Pin 3	CAN_H	DCAN0 of CPU, CAN H Signal		
Pin 2	CAN_L	DCAN0 of CPU, CAN L Signal		
Pin 1	GND	Isolated Ground Output		

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PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C USB Connectors

#### **USB Connectors**

There are 2 x Type A **USB HOST connectors** onboard, as shown on the figure below.



Figure 665: USB HOST Connectors (embedded/enclosed PC version)



The OTG Connector is defined as HOST by default. If customer needs it work as OTG (slave), please solder a  $0\Omega$  0603 Package Resistor to **R119** and **R121** as shown in the above.



Be careful not to touch surrounding electronic components accidentally while plugging in USB devices into the embedded Industrial PC version.

#### **LAN Connectors**

**LAN (RJ45) connector** provides Ethernet connectivity over standardized Ethernet cables as shown the figure below. The integrated Ethernet interface supports up to 1 Gbps data throughput.

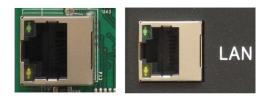


Figure 666: RJ45 LAN Connectors (embedded/enclosed PC version)



Use CAT5 or better cables to achieve full data throughput over maximum distance defined by the 1000BASE-T standard (100m).

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C WiFi & BT Module

#### WiFi & BT Module

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC is equipped with the popular **Realtek RTL8723 WiFi/BT module** that supports BT/BLE 4.0 (with backward compatibility), as well as 802.11bgn 2.4 GHz Wireless LAN (WLAN).

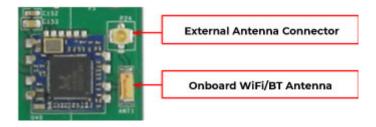


Figure 667: RTL8273 WiFi/BT Module

The enclosed (PPC) variant of the product also includes an SMA connector for an external WiFi/BT antenna, as illustrated in the figure below.



Figure 668: WiFi+BT Antenna



- 1. The product does not come shipped with the WiFi/BT module by default.
- 2. If the operator mounts the WiFi/BT module on the PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C industrial PC, the module uses the USB1 channel to communicate with CPU, so it will occupy the USB1 channel.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Expansion Port

## **Expansion Port**

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC has 1 x **Expansion Port** as shown on the figure below. It is an unpopulated PCB footprint with the standard 2.54mm (1") pitch holes. The Expansion Port provides direct access to some of the processor pins, as described in the table below.

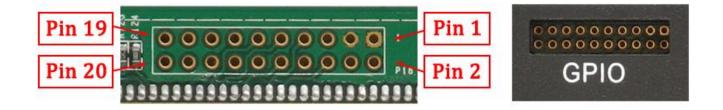


Figure 669: Expansion Port

	Expansion Connector Pinout				
PIN	Function	CPU PIN	PIN	Function	CPU PIN
1	GND	Power Ground	2	VDD_5V0	+5V Power
3	GND	Power Ground	4	VDD_3V3	+3.3V Power
5	GPMC_A1	V14	6	GPMC_A3	T14
7	GPMC_A2	U14	8	GPMC_A5	V15
9	GPMC_A4	R14	10	GPMC_A7	T15
11	GPMC_A6	U15	12	GPMC_A8	V16
13	SPI0_D1	B16	14	SPI0_D0	B17
15	SPIO_CS0	A16	16	SPI0_CLK	A17
17	AIN4	C8	18	AIN5	B8
19	AIN6	A8	20	AIN7	C9

Table 168 Expansion Connector Pinout



## Warning

Since the PCB traces of the port are connected to the processor directly, be careful not to cause electrostatic discharge or over voltage on the pins, as it may damage the processor. Take all the necessary precautions while working with electrostatic-sensitive equipment.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C TF Card Slot

# TF Card Slot

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC features 1 x **TF Card (micro SD) slot**. It can address up to 32GB of memory.





Figure 670: TF (micro SD) Card Slot



The product does not come shipped with the TF Card by default.

## **Audio Connectors**

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC features some audio peripherals, as well. It has 1  $\times$  **3.5mm audio input jack** and 1  $\times$  **3.5mm audio output jack**.

On the embedded panel PC version, the pink connector is the audio input jack (line-in) and the blue connector is the audio output jack (line-out, typically around -10 dBV). On the enclosed panel PC version, both audio input and audio output are clearly marked on the figure below.

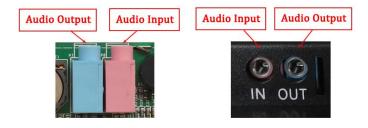


Figure 671: Audio I/O (embedded/enclosed PC version)

In addition, PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C features a miniature 2W embedded speaker for audio reproduction, as well as a small buzzer for alarm/notification sounds.





Figure 672: 2W Micro Speaker and Buzzer

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Boot DIP Switch

# **Boot DIP Switch**

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC supports boot from SD card. If you want to reflash the Operating System (OS), you can use the TF card for that purpose, combined with the **DIP switch** settings as illustrated in the figure below.

There is no need to alter the DIP switch settings during regular operation. However, if you need to reinstall the OS, please refer to the table below. Detailed information on how to reflash the OS can be found in the Software Documentation.





Figure 673: Boot DIP Switch

Boot Config Select				
DIP SW	1	2	3	4
SD	1	0	0	0
еММС	1	1	0	1
Download	0	1	1	0

Table 169 Boot Configuration Selection

# Mounting Procedure

The PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Industrial PC can be mounted with 4 x M4 screws, enabling simplified installation onto any standard mounting fixture. Other mounting options might also be supported according to the table in the Hardware Features section.

You can find detailed information about mounting in the Mount IPC Guide.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Mechanical Specifications

# **Mechanical Specifications**

## EPC-A8-070H-C

The outer mechanical dimensions of EPC-A8-070H-C are  $190 \times 107.8 \times 29$ mm (W x L x H). Please refer to the technical drawing in the figure below for details related to the specific product measurements.

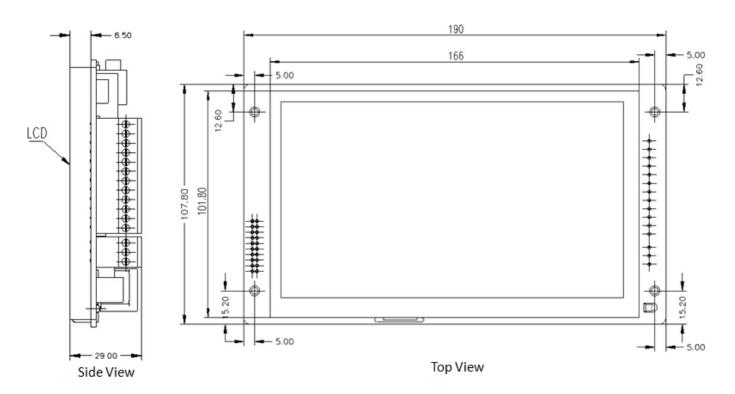


Figure 674: EPC-A8-070H-C Technical Drawing

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C PPC-A8-070H-C

## PPC-A8-070H-C

For PPC-A8-070H-C, the outer mechanical dimensions are  $206 \times 135 \times 29.8 \text{mm}$  (W x L x H). Please refer to the technical drawing in the figure below for details related to the specific product measurements.

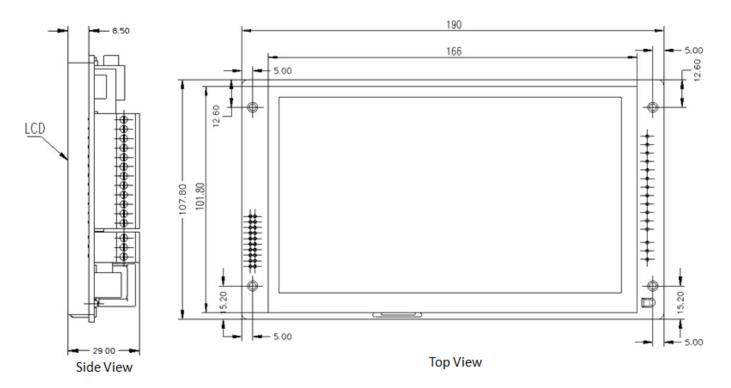


Figure 675: PPC-A8-070H-C Technical Drawing

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## **Panel Mounting**







Figure 676: Fixing PPC-A8-070H-C industrial PC into panel



With the PPC-A8-070H-C industrial PC, the operator can fix the PC into the panel by pushing it from the front inside the panel as described in the figure above. The recommended maximum thickness of the panel material is 8mm.

- 1. Make sure the Panel PC is configured correctly. The Boot Switch is sitting inside the housing. To use it, the Panel PC has to be unmounted from the panel.
- 2. Push the Panel PC straight into the Panel Hole until the unit sits flat on the panel as shown in the figure above.
- 3. Use the mounting fixtures to lock the Panel PC into it's place.

PPC/EPC-A8-070H-C Disclaimer

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