

4-Node Cluster Box with a Built-in PCIe Switch

Mixtile Cluster Box is a PCIe switcher that can connect up to four Mixtile Blade 3 boards through PCIe interfaces, which allows for multi-node computation. Comparing with a single Blade 3 board, this 4-node clustering provides boosted computing performance, faster networking, and expansive storage capacity.

The switcher consists of a backplane and a control board enclosed in a customized chassis with dual cooling fans. Thanks to the ASM2824 PCIe switch chip, the quad-channel PCIe 3.0 backplane enables seamless data transmission between Blade 3 boards for robust, uninterrupted performance.

Cluster Box also features four NVMe M.2 slots that support PCIe 3.0 x2, which are fully compatible with NVMe SSDs. Therefore, you can scale out storage capacity as your needs grow, ensuring that you never have to compromise on storing critical data or large-scale projects.





Highlights

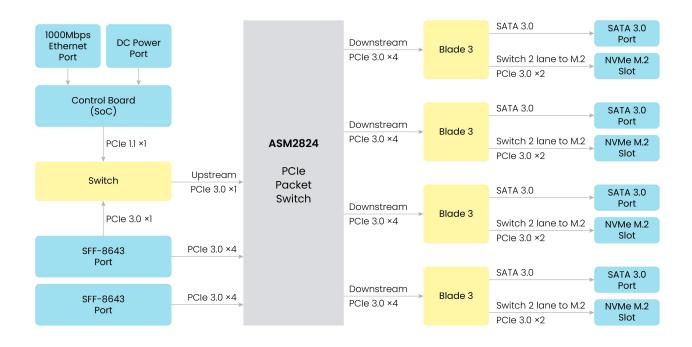
- Boosted computational performance
 - A 4-node cluster enhances computational capabilities, which enables you to easily tackle complex tasks, process data-intensive applications, and accelerate your workflows.
- Seamless connectivity and uninterruptible data transmission
 Driven by the ASM2824 PCIe Packet Switch chip, the cutting-edge backplane ensures seamless connectivity and continuous data transmission of Blade 3 boards.
- Expanded storage capacity
 Four NVMe M.2 slots support PCIe 3.0 x2, which are fully compatible with SSDs. You can scale out storage without compromising on storing critical data or large-scale projects.
- Compact size with efficient cooling system
 A customized small chassis equipped with two 60 mm fans ensures that your system runs stably and smoothly in a very small format.

Cluster Box





Block Diagram





Technical Specifications

Switch	ASMedia ASM2824, support four PCIe 3.0 4-lane ports
Storage interfaces	 4x NVMe M.2 M-Key slots (PCIe 3.0 x2 each slot, connecting to Blade 3) 4x SATA 3.0 ports (connecting to Blade 3)
Connectivity	4x U.2 interfaces (connecting to Blade 3)
Network	1x 100/1000 Mbps Ethernet port
PCIe expansion	2x SFF-8643 ports (support PCIe 3.0 x4 each, upstream)
Fan	2x 60 mm fans
Software support	Preloaded customized Linux system and Kubernetes
Power	 1x DC jack port, 19~19.5 V 4.74 A power input Power button with a blue LED indicator
Material	Metal case, SGCC steel
Dimensions	213 mm x 190 mm x 129 mm
Temperature	Operating: 0°C to 80°C Storage: -20°C to 85°C
Relative humidity	• Operating: 10% to 90% • Storage: 5% to 95%