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扩展 RISC-V 的芯边界- Andes 最新的处理器核介绍

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Who We Are



CPU Pure-play CPU IP Vendor



Founded in 2005, IPO 2017 (6533 TW). 18 years old company



Active Open-Source Contributor/Maintainer



Hsinchu, TW (HQ)

Activities in RISC-V International (RVI)



Founding & Premier Member

- Board of Directors
- Technical Steering Committee
- Ambassador



P-Extension TG



TEE/IOPMP TG



Fast Intr. TG

Quick Facts

>300 people

80% are engineers

12B⁺ SoC

Total customer shipment

US\$127M

GDR offering in Sep. 2021

80K⁺ users

for AndeSight™ IDE

Andes Core Is Everywhere



Mobile

Performance, code size

N25F, N45

MPU/MCU/AIoT

RISC-V

Internet Company

D25F, D45, AX25MP, AX45MP

Storage

PHISON

Performance, bandwidth, real-time

N25F, N45, AX45MP

From the Edge, To the Cloud, Into the Space

Above Cloud

Secure, control, compute, communicate, position

N25F

5G Networks

EDGE
5G WITH AN EDGE

Empowering Wireless

N25F, A25, A45MP, AX45MP

Cloud AI

STREAM COMPUTING SK telecom

Internet Company

Accelerate, accelerate, accelerate

NX27V, AX25, AX27, AX45MP, AX45MPV

AndesCore™ Lineup



AX60 Series 13-stage OOO MP	AX6x-SE		AX65		A72~A76; X1/V1
<i>Categories</i>	<i>FUSA</i>	<i>Power-efficient</i>	<i>Mid-range</i>	<i>Extended</i>	
45 Series 8-stage superscalar	D45-SE	N45, NX45	D45 NX45V*	A45(MP), AX45(MP) AX45MPV	A53/55, R52/82, M7
27 Series 5-stage MemBoost			NX27V	A27(L2) AX27(L2)	A5/7/35
25 Series 5-stage fast & compact	N25F-SE D25F-SE*	N25F, NX25F	D25F	A25(MP) AX25(MP)	A5/7/35, R4/5, M4/33
Entry Series	D23-SE	N22	D23		M0/0+/3/33/4
<i>Categories</i>	<i>FUSA</i>	<i>Embedded</i>	<i>DSP/Vector</i>	<i>Linux AP</i>	<i>References</i>

Note *: AX45MPV configured as single core. *D25F-SE is a variation of N25F-SE, N25F-SE is available now

- Upcoming new cores: AX45MPV, AX65, D25F-SE, D23
- Automotive Safety Enhanced Series: at least one per year





AndesCore™ AX45MPV

Multicore 1024-bit Vector Processor

多核心 1024位向量处理器

AX45MPV Core and Multicore Cluster

■ ISA: RV64GCBP* + V

■ 8-stage In-order dual-issue

■ Scalar Unit: configurable

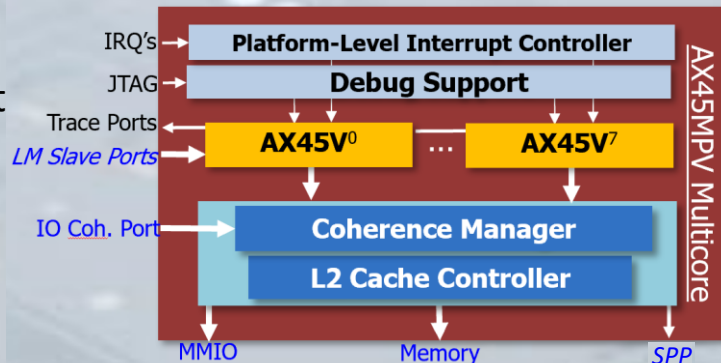
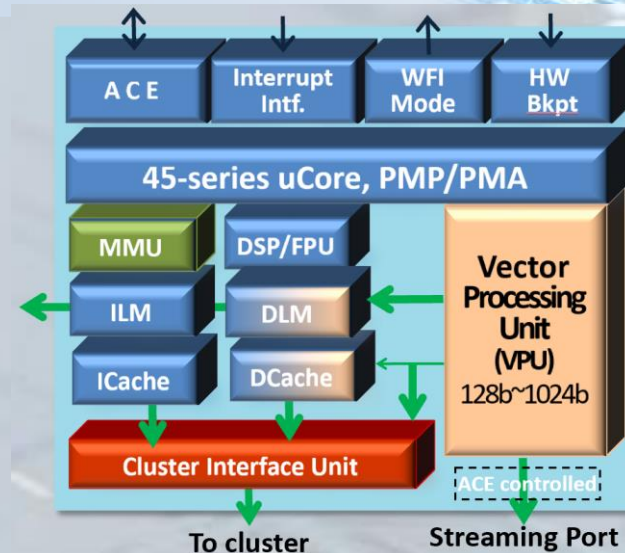
- MMU/SV48, M/S/U modes
- FPU, DSP
- I/D LM: 0~16MB, dynamic wait-cycle, and ECC
- I/D caches: 8K~64KB; Parity (I\$) or ECC (both)
- Andes Custom Extension™ (ACE)

■ CM/L2\$ subsystem

- 128KB to 8MB, 64B line, 16-way
- Multi-cycle support for high-density SRAMs
- Instruction/data prefetch, up to 64 outstanding request

■ AXI Bus Interfaces:

- Bus clock: N-to-1 or asynchronous
- Width: 128/256/512 bits except 64-bit SPP



AX45MPV: 1024-bit VPU



■ RISC-V Vector Extension (RVV v1.0)

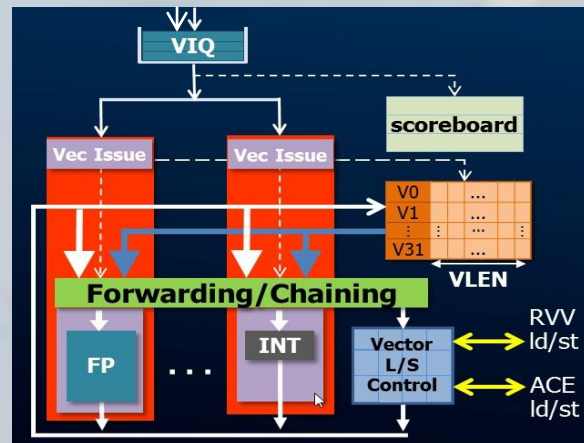
- data format: int8~64, fp16~64; int4, **bf16**
- VLEN/DLEN: 128~**1024** bits, 1:1 or 2:1 ratio
- Up to 5 DLEN results per cycle (6 with FMAC2)

■ Vector pipeline:

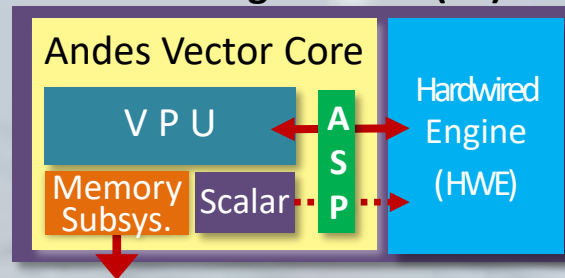
- Up to 2 RVV instructions/cycle can enter VIQ in EX
- Instructions start execution after *committable*
- Most functional Units are pipelined and chainable
 - INT: ALU, MUL/DIV, Permute
 - FP: FMAC1, FMAC2, FMISC
 - Others: LDST, ACE-RVV

■ ACE enables flexible compute and comm. to HWE

- Andes Streaming Port™ (ASP)
 - Data bus: data transfer btw VR and HWE
 - Command bus: control info to perform custom operations
- ACE-RVV: custom RVV instructions performed inside VPU



Processing Element (PE)



NX45V (AX45MPV Single Core) vs. NX27V



■ Advantages:

- Dual-issue: help non-MAC dominated loops on the same VPU config
- 1024-bit VLEN/DLEN: boost performance greatly for MAC dominated loops
- 2x outstanding memory transactions: speed up memory-bound loops

■ Performance Comparison (when VLEN/DLEN are the same):

- Compute-bound loop: 20%~40% faster
- Memory-bound loop: 30~50% faster



AndesCore™ AX65

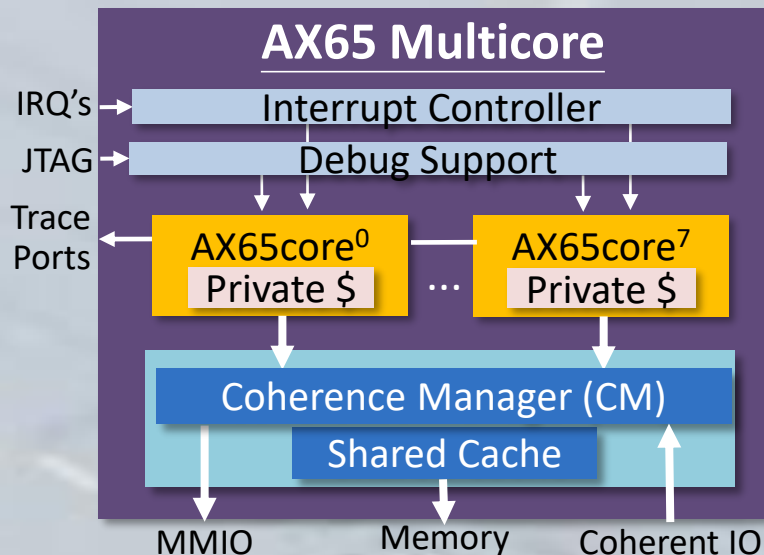
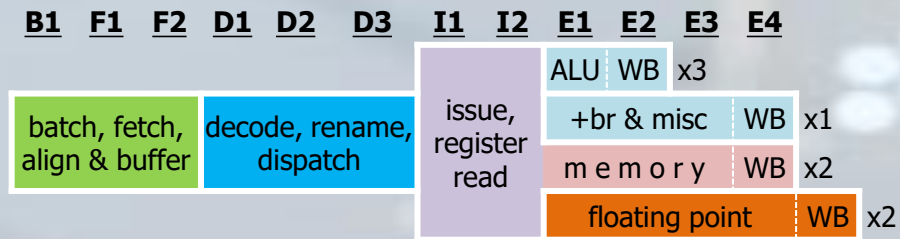
Multicore Out-of-Order Processor

多核心超纯量乱序处理器

AndesCore AX65: 1st Member of AX60-Series



- RV64GCBK, SV48+VM extensions, ePMP
- 4-way 13-stage OOO superscalar
- Multicore cluster: 1~8 cores
- Private caches (I/D):
 - 64KB, 64B lines, 4-way, banked
 - VIPT with HW handling of VA aliasing
- Shared cache: up to 8MB
- CPU and CM: sync or async clocks
- 256-bit bus ports:
 - Types: Memory, MMIO, Coherent IO
 - Requests for uncached loads/stores are shared/merged for best efficiency



AX65 Microarchitecture: Overview



■ Two 8-byte fetches/cycle

■ Branch prediction:

- TAGE and 2-level BTB
- 9-cycle misprediction penalty

■ ROB/Freelist: 128/128

■ Execution pipes:

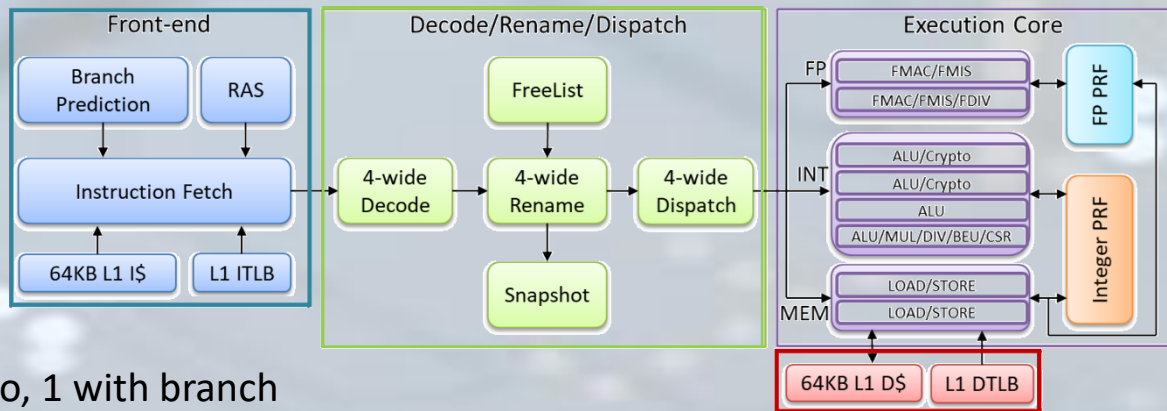
- 4 integer ALUs: 2 with scalar crypto, 1 with branch
- 2 full load/store units
- 2 FPUs: one full, one without divide/sqrt

■ Split 2-level TLB: L1 up to 32 entries, L2 up to 1024 entries

- Combining 2 consecutive L1 entries
- Aggressive concurrent HW page table walkers: 2 x instruction, 4 x data

■ Load/store units: up to 64 outstanding instructions

■ Total requests/core: >20 outstanding requests



Preliminary Performance Results



AndesCore	AX27L2	AX45MP (over AX27L2)	AX65 (over AX45MP)
Micro-architecture	5 stage scalar in-order	8 stage dual-issue in-order	13 stage quad-issue OOO
Freq. (7nm)	~2 GHz	>2 GHz	>2.5 GHz
Coremark/MHz	3.55	5.64 (+59%)	9.17 (+63%)
EEMBC FPMark/MHz	27.0	35.2 (+30%)	66.6 (+89%)
Linpack MFLOPS/MHz	0.130	0.220 (+69%)	0.613 (2.8x)
Mem Bandwidth ¹ /MHz	1.0x	1.47x	1.90x
Specint2k6/GHz	2.82	3.46 (+23%)	> 7 (>2x, target)

1. Based on standard library memcpy



AndesCore[®] D25F-SE

Automotive Functional Safety(FUSA)

车用强化安全处理器



Prerequisites for Developing FUSA Products



■ ISO 9001 Quality Management System

- In **April 2010**, Andes certified by DQS Inc.
- Continue to maintain it since then

■ ISO 26262 Certification for Development Process: ASIL-D

- In **Dec. 2020**, Andes certified by SGS-TÜV Saar GmbH

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

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has implemented and maintains a Quality Management System.

Scope:
The design and development of CPU cores, and companion IPs.
The provision of CPU architectures, hardware development platforms, software integrated development environment, and associated target software infrastructure.

Through an audit, documented in a report, it was verified that the management system fulfills the requirements of the following standard:

ISO 9001 : 2015

Certificate registration no. 20004946 QM15

Date of original certification 2010-04-11
Date of revision 2021-05-01
Date of certification 2021-05-19
Valid until 2024-05-17

DQS Inc.
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Managing Director

Accredited Body: DQS Inc., 1500 McConnor Parkway, Suite 400, Schaumburg, IL 60173 USA
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Project-No/ID LICENSED TEST MARK Report No.

P30L **SGS TÜV SAAR** FUNCTIONAL SAFETY APPROVED P30L0001

Tested according to ISO 26262:2018

Certified Process Development process for Functional Safety related components up to ASIL D Version V1.0/202011

Technical Data/Parameter The audited development process complies with the ISO 26262 standard part requirements

ISO 26262-2:2018 ISO 26262-6:2018
ISO 26262-4:2018 ISO 26262-8:2018
ISO 26262-5:2018 ISO 26262-9:2018

Specific Requirements The certificate is created for the purpose of providing conformity of the development and support process in accordance with ISO 26262. Changes which are not covered in the Audit Report have to be reconsidered.

Certification Body for Functional Safety
SGS-TÜV Saar GmbH Munich, December 22nd, 2020

Marcus Rau

The test mark registration is an integral part of this certificate.

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N25F-SE ISO 26262 Certificate



- ISO 26262 Edition 2018
 - ASIL B Compliant
 - Parts:
 - ISO 26262-2,4,5,8,9
 - Covers all the sections applicable to CPU core
 - Certification Body
 - SGS-TÜV Saar GmbH
- ✓ SGS technical report with German accreditation body DAkkS logo

The N25F-SE Safety Manual

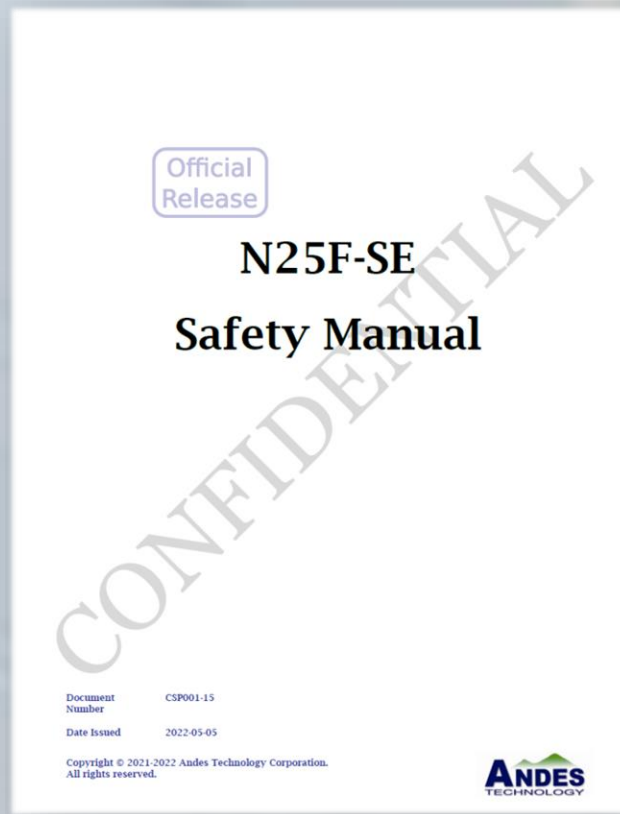


■ Safety Manual

- Provide information for designers to develop safety products integrating the supported core

■ The Contents

1. Overview
2. Safety Lifecycle
 - Safety managements, confirmation measures
3. Assumption of Safety Requirements
 - Safety goals, safety requirements, D-FMEA
4. N25F-SE IP Safety Architecture Overview
 - Safety features
5. Configuration Options
6. Fault Detection and Control Mechanisms
 - Internal and external safety mechanisms
7. Assumption of Use
8. Safety Analysis Results
 - FMEDA, DFA



D25F-SE Key Features



■ CPU Core

- AndeStar™ V5 Instruction Set Architecture (ISA)
 - RISC-V 32-bit, RV32IMACFD + Andes Extensions
 - RISC-V P(draft) and B extensions.
 - 16 Physical Memory Protection (PMP) regions
 - Machine+User (M+U) privilege levels
- 5-stage pipeline architecture
- Dynamic branch prediction with BTB, BHT, RAS
- CoDense™ code size reduction, StackSafe™ stack protection

■ Memory Subsystem

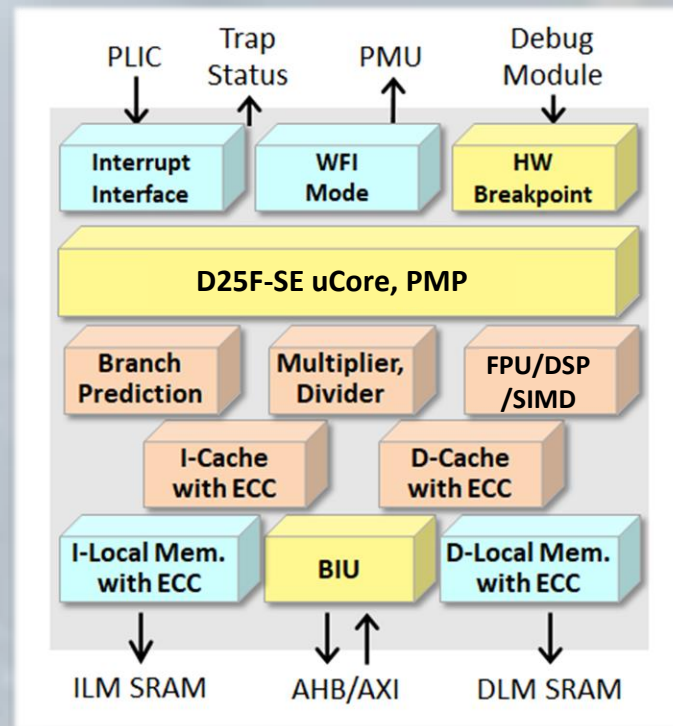
- Support I/D cache up to 32KB each,
- Support I/D local memory up to 16MB each, with slave port interface for bus masters direct accesses

■ Bus Interfaces

- AXI or AHB bus master port
- N:1 CPU clock vs. bus clock ratio

■ Others

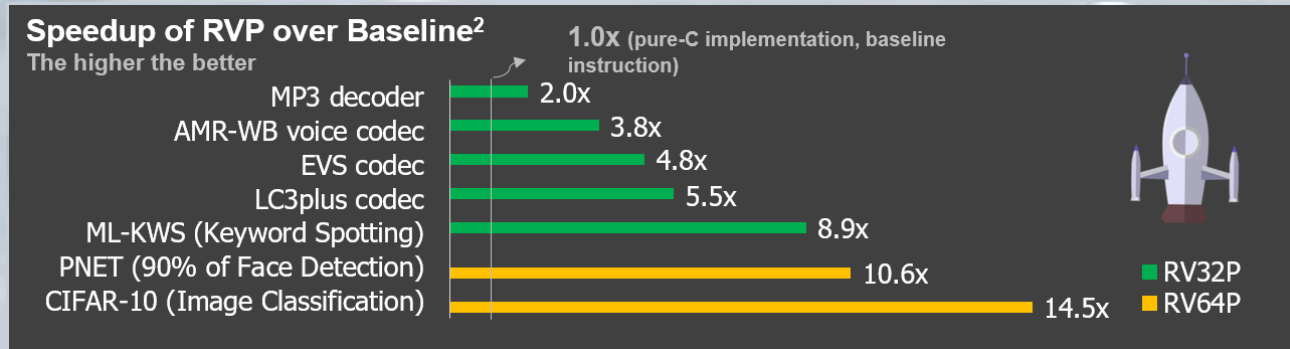
- Platform-Level Interrupt Controller (PLIC), WFI power management, Debug interface



D25F-SE with DSP and Bit-manipulation



- RVP: Powerful SIMD/DSP instructions for audio/voice codec and endpoint AI/ML
- SIMD instructions such as a quad 8 x 8 accumulated into 32-bit data
- DSP library support of over 200 functions



- RVB: Efficient bit-manipulation operations for codes such as cryptographic & checksums

- Latest RVB ISA-extension Ver 1.0.0, including:

- address generation, basic bit-manipulation, carry-less multiplication and single-bit instructions
- Accelerate Crypto calculations: **27%** improvement on SHA256, **19%** for AES, **16%** for MD5



AndesCore[®] D23

Compact and Secure Controller

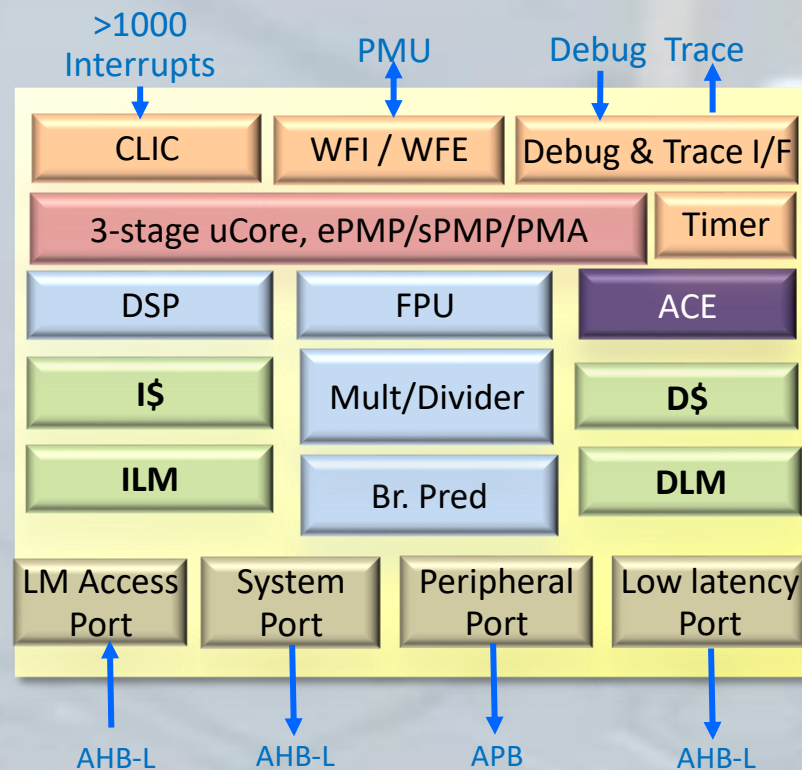
功能丰富且高度安全的入门级处理器



D23: Compact Controller



- ◆ 3-stage, limited dual-issue (optional)
- ◆ ISA extensions:
 - ◆ Base: RV32 I[E]MAC + B+ Zce (compressed Inst)
 - ◆ Advanced: FD + *P+ K(crypto) + CMO(cache)
- ◆ Privilege modes: M, S, U
- ◆ Configurable features
 - ◆ Branch prediction: none, static, dynamic
 - ◆ Multiplier options:
 - ◆ Sequential: 1/2/4/8-bit per cycle
 - ◆ Fast: pipelined
 - ◆ *Andes Custom Extension™ (ACE)*
 - ◆ Power management: WFI/WFE, PowerBrake
 - ◆ Core-Local Interrupt Controller (CLIC)
 - >1000 sources, 255 priority levels
 - Selective vectoring with priority preemption



D23: Compact Controller



◆ Memory subsystem:

◆ Caches:

- ◆ Config: Icache only, Icache with RO data; I/D caches
- ◆ Cache sizes: 1KB~32KB
- ◆ Error protection: Parity for I\$; ECC for I\$ and D\$

◆ I/D Local Memory (LM):

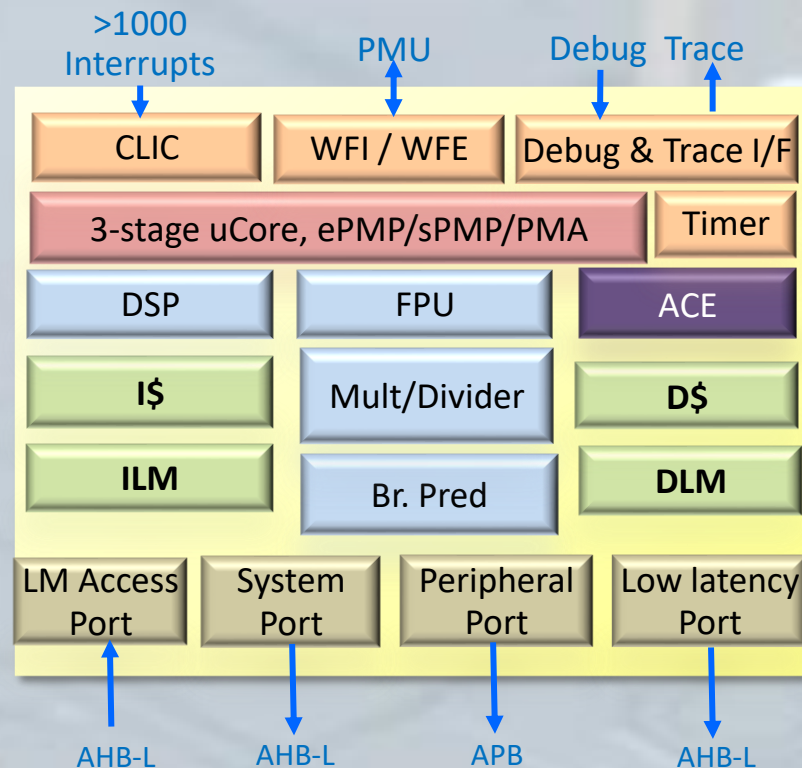
- ◆ 0~512MB with ECC
- ◆ Interface: SRAM or AHB-L

◆ Enhanced/supervisor PMPs: up to 32 entries

◆ PMA: up to 8 entries

◆ Benchmarks and PPA at 28nm

- ◆ >4.1 Coremark/MHz and >2.0 DMIPS/MHz
- ◆ Max. freq. (worst case): up to 800MHz
- ◆ Gate count: <30K (for min. useful configuration)



Andes Tools and Software Solutions



AndeSight™ IDE with AndeSoft™ BSP inside

- User-friendly IDE with **rich GUI features**
- Highly-optimized **GCC/LLVM** for speed & size
- Abundant **demos** to jumpstart development
- Rich **RTOSes** and LTP-verified **Linux**
- Optimized RVP/RVV **compute libraries**
- **Drivers** for AndeShape™ platform IP's
- Arduino support for Andes EVB

AndesClarity™

Processor **Pipeline Analyzer/Visualizer**,
esp. powerful for vector processors

AndeSoft™ NN Library

Optimized for RISC-V DSP/SIMD and Vector ext'

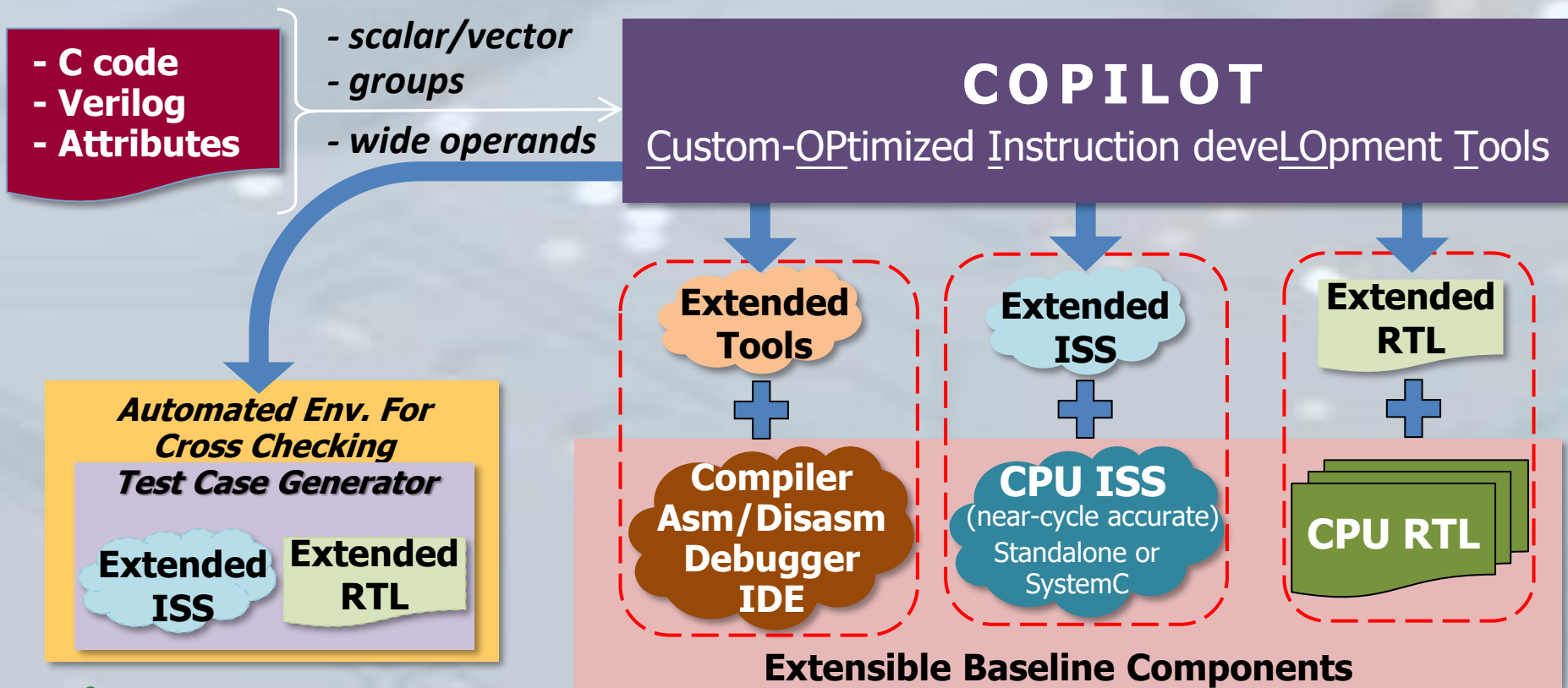
COPILLOT for ACE

Auto-generation of toolchains, ISS and RTL
for user-defined instructions

AndeSysC™

Near-cycle accurate SystemC processor models

COPILLOT for ACE



Expanding RISC-V Beyond the Horizon

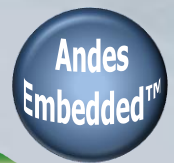


- RISC-V is a leading choice of processors for SoC and Computing Platforms
- Andes continues to develop high quality RISC-V solutions

AX65	AX45MPV
Multicore Out-Of-Order Application Processor	Multicore 1024-bit Vector Processor
D23	D25F-SE
Tiny and Secured Processor	ISO 26262 Fully-Compliant Processor



- Andes CPU cores, Tools and SW and partners are best to help customers succeed



~18 years, 300+ customers, 80K+ IDE users, 12B+ customer SoC



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