

Complete FPGA-based SmartNIC solution

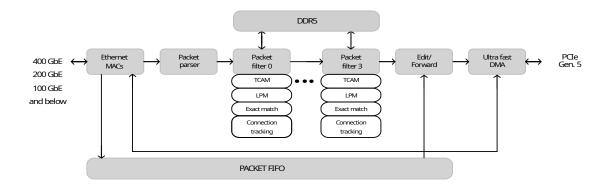
on ThunderFjord hardware from



SmartNIC (Smart Network Interface Card – NIC) is a specialized network adapter that of-floads certain processing tasks from the host CPU to the NIC itself. These tasks can include packet filtering, encryption/decryption, compression, and other functions that are typically performed by software running on the host. By moving these tasks to the SmartNIC, it reduces the load on the host CPU, increases network performance and significantly improves overall efficiency. The FPGA allows for flexibility in terms of the specific tasks that can be performed, as well as the ability to easily update or modify the SmartNIC's functionality as needed.

How DYNANIC makes complete solution on ThunderFjord?

Programming FPGA is not an easy task. DYNANIC comes with the universal high-speed FPGA packet processing pipeline for ThunderFjord. This pipeline consists of components required for various packet processing in many use-cases. And so DYNANIC enables full utilization of FPGA-technology without prior FPGA knowledge!



This wire-speed capable FPGA pipeline is **controlled from the host software** by standardized and open-source RTE Flow DPDK API. For example, to set up the filtration rule in the pipeline, only **a few lines of code in C++ or Python** programming language are needed. So simple!



Use-cases with DYNANIC

Network acceleration

Examples of processing tasks that can be offloaded with DYNANIC include packet processing, encryption/decryption, compression/decompression or implementation and acceleration of future network protocols.

Network security

Example applications are firewall, intrusion detection and prevention systems (IDS/IPS), and DDoS mitigation (Anti-DDoS). All these can be offloaded with DYNANIC for improving performance and reducing latency.

Network monitoring and analyses

Troubleshooting network issues, detecting anomalies, and identifying performance bottlenecks with full wire-speed traffic capture in real time is possible thanks to DYNANIC.

Content delivery

DYNANIC can help applications for accelerating content caching and delivery, improving user experience and reducing server load in content delivery networks (CDNs).

Virtualized networking

Virtualized networking functions (NFV) such as virtual switches and routers improve performance and reduce latency using DYNANIC solution.

And many more . . .



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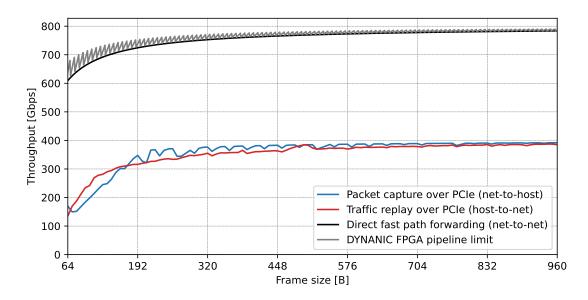


Unique features of DYNANIC solution on ThunderFjord

- □ No need for FPGA development, processing pipeline is provided
- □ Standardized and open-source DPDK software stack
- Processing pipeline controlled by standard RTE Flow interface
- Full utilization of PCIe throughput to and from host RAM
- ☐ Configurable packet parser supporting protocols from L2 to L4
- □ **Different filtering options utilizing** internal or external memories
- ☐ Flow tracking with fast atomic insert/removal from host
- □ Solution ready for different link speeds even on the same card
- Lossless traffic processing at wire-speeds up to 400 GbE links

Link speed configuration	Exact match	LPM prefixes	TCAM rules
400 GbE	1.1 M	0.7 M	4 k
200 GbE	2.2 M	1.5 M	8 k
25/50/100 GbE	2.2 M	1.5 M	15 k
10/40 GbE	2.2 M	1.5 M	30 k

Achievable rule capacity for different filter types on **ThunderFjord**. Values provided for IPv4 address matching. Exact match and LPM can be combined by sharing the capacity.



DYNANIC throughput measurements on **ThunderFjord** with 400 GbE and PCle gen5. On-chip pipeline is calibrated for sustained wire-speed processing with a small margin on top. The only performance bottlenecks are introduced by the overhead of DPDK transfers over PCle.





DynaNIC Semiconductors Ltd. offers custom design and development services for FPGA-based projects. For more than 20 years are company team members specializing in the acceleration of algorithms required for high-speed network packet processing (e.g. packet parsing, packet/headers fields extraction, hash based pattern matching, filtering, traffic flow management, etc.) with link speeds up to 400 Gbps. Unique portfolio of IPs was also utilized to bring FPGA technology closer to any software company. That's how the flagship **DYNANIC** solution was created.



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How to start?

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DynaNIC website to download working package for ThunderFjord.