## mX3 Dual-speed 8-port Modules

# SFP28 Test Modules 25/10G

The Spirent mX3 Ethernet multi-speed test modules combine Spirent's industry-leading Layer 2–3 traffic generation and analysis with powerful network emulation and application layer protocols for emulating a wide range of device types, users and protocols. These modules deliver the highest performance for Layer 2–3 testing. Reduced power consumption and dual-speed support results in lower CAPEX and OPEX. These modules are ideal for performance testing of data center and service provider network infrastructure where extreme protocol performance is required. They are targeted for testing multi-terabit routers and high-scale cloud infrastructure, ensuring dataplane QoS with high performance traffic and verifying the scalability of routing, access, application and security protocols.

These modules are designed with eight SFP28 ports that utilize and support the latest 25G/10G transceivers and interconnects. The dual-speed SFP28 interfaces are combined with Spirent's flexible FPGA logic to allow mode-switching of the mX3 packet generation and analysis engine to operate at 25 and 10 gig speeds. The mX3 module is also available in a single speed version to match your test needs and budget.

### **Applications**

- Service Provider Core and Edge Routers—Verify scale, reliability, and performance of Layer 2 & 3 services including IP data and video delivered via unicast routing, multicast routing, switching and MPLS VPN technologies.
- High-Scale Terabit Routers—Test 25G Ethernet core routers with highscale, multi-protocol topologies.
- **High-Capacity Multiservice Routers**—Validate IP throughput with millions of subscribers and per-port line-rate data with minimum-sized packets.
- Data Center Top of Rack, Server, Spine and Core Switches—Benchmark capacity of high-density and capacity fabrics using IETF RFC 2544, RFC 2889 and RFC 3918 methodologies with easy test setup using dynamically bound traffic and automated wizards.
- Carrier Ethernet—Verify scale, reliability, performance of Ethernet services delivered via Ethernet OAM, MPLS-TP, VPLS, PWE3 Pseudowires, bridged Ethernet, packet transport protocols or combinations of these technologies.



Spirent's mX3 family of products are the industry's first native SFP28 form-factor test modules for multispeed Ethernet testing:

- Supporting both 25G and 10G port speeds to test nextgeneration server and storage solutions
- 25G and 10G copper and fiber media support
- Designed for enterprise and data center switch and router testing

Spirent mX3 Ethernet modules:

- offer the highest available emulation performance
- offer the highest stateful protocol performance
- offer the most feature-rich stateless Traffic
- are ideal for testing core/ edge service provider routers, application gateways and firewalls



### Features & Benefits

- Dual– and single–speed versions provide flexibility for validating multi-speed switches, Servers and line cards
- Enable and disable Clause 74 BASE-R FEC, Clause 91 RS-FEC, and Clause 108 RS-FEC
- · Auto Negotiation and Link Training for 25G
- SFP28 connector form-factor supports the latest 25/10G based copper and optical media
- Low total cost of ownership compared to other test modules in its class:
  - Excellent price-performance ratio that delivers faster time-to-market by combining leading-edge technical innovation with Spirent's extensive testing experience
  - Intelligent power control to shut down unused test modules and allows faster boot time to bring capacity back on-line quickly
  - More total throughput than the competition for a given power footprint
  - Enhanced chassis software license value—Two to four times the device or end-user emulation per chassis with no increase in software costs
  - Topology emulation lowers Capex by eliminating the need for multiple DUTs in multiprotocol tests
  - Intelligent results gets answers in a fraction of the test time required by competitive products
  - Faster boot and firmware upgrade times mean less downtime in continuous running 24x7 regression test beds

- Spirent TestCenter's industry-leading Layer 2–3 feature set:
  - Stress ASIC and backplane designs with live traffic changes. The number of emulated devices, the traffic they emanate and the rate at which they send it can all be changed "on the fly" making for more realistic tests and faster troubleshooting
  - Best-in-industry for measuring ultra-low submicrosecond latencies with 2.5ns precision and resolution. Latency accuracy up to 10 times better than the competition
  - 19 different scheduling algorithms available for finding the right traffic to emulate the real world or tax the device's ability to handle any traffic pattern—from micro-bursts to carefully timed sequences of "killer" frames
- mX3 modules support Spirent TestCenter's deep analysis system:
  - Port counts, rates, errors and protocol summaries provide a high-level view for quick drilldown to specific issues
  - Broadest set of per stream metrics with simultaneous control and data plane results allows most tests to be run in a single pass
  - Real-time traffic filters allow analysis down to specific fields. Multiple metrics can be simultaneously collected and instantly analyzed
  - Dynamic views feature multi-metric extraction, sorting and operation in real-time or post-test
  - Full packet capture enables timing, sequencing and content analysis for individual packets
  - Powerful filters ensure the capture buffer is filled with relevant data
- · High-performance protocol testing
  - Each module features two, multi-core, Intel Xeon Class
     CPUs for the highest levels of stateful router and host
     traffic emulation



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Maximum support	Speed	Maximum ports per slot	Maximum ports per SPT-N12U chassis	Maximum ports per SPT-N4U chassis	
MX3-25GD-S8	25G/10G	8/8	96/96	16/16	
MX3-25GO-S8	25G Only	8	96	16	
Port density	8-port SFP28				
Media support and FEC options	<ul> <li>25G: 802.3I</li> <li>10G: 10GBA</li> <li>Auto-Nego</li> <li>Clause 74 E</li> <li>IEEE 25GBA</li> </ul>	es by module speed mode by 25GBASE-CR, 25GBASE-CRS, 2 SE-SR, 10G Copper DAC tiation and Link Training for 25G SASE-R FEC, Clause 91 RS-FEC, and ASE CR CL74, CL108, CR-S CL74, SR	d Clause 108 RS-FEC FEC CL108	DS EEC CL01	
Line clocking and packet time stamping (modules get their transmit line clocking a timestamping from the control modules o the SPT-N12U and SPT-N4U)	• Stratum-3 • Frame time • GPS and C • IEEE 1588v2	<ul> <li>25/50G Consortium 25GBase-R FEC CL74, 25/50G Consortium 25GBase RS-FEC CL91</li> <li>Stratum-3 rated oscillator is the default time source</li> <li>Frame time stamp resolution of 2.5ns</li> <li>GPS and CDMA-based external time sources are supported</li> <li>IEEE 1588v2 and NTP packet-based external time sources are supported</li> <li>TIA/EIA-95B-based external time sources are supported</li> </ul>			
Inter-module and Inter-chassis Time Synchronization	<ul><li>Timing cha</li><li>Synchroniz</li></ul>	Ports in the same chassis are locked to the internal timing source. For separate systems:  Timing chain synchronization with +/- 20ns accuracy  Synchronized via GPS or CDMA network  Using NTP or PTP packet-based approaches (requires supporting controller version)			
User reservation	Per-port rese	ervation			
Transmit / receive streams per port	TX/ 64K TX a	nd RX/128K for all speeds			
VFDs and Variable Fields		ilable for each 512 (25G/10G) strec sertion table entries 4m in 25G/10	•		
Scheduler Mode Support	<ul> <li>Rate Based stream blo</li> <li>Priority Base</li> <li>Precise sch</li> </ul>	—traffic scheduling handled at the l—key parameters determined at tooks sed—scheduling determined at the eduling of CBR and bursty traffic took—manual control of stream second	he port level with division a stream block level using us or QoS testing		
Frame length range and controls		100% line rate for frames of 58-16383 bytes controlled by fixed, increment, decrement, random a			
Statistics	checksum o	ransmit stats per port reported in and CRC errors al-time measurements per stream ity			
Transmit clock adjustment		in 1 PPM increments for each port	or each QSFP28 interface f	or 25G and 10G	
Capture	•	25G/10G port ftware includes sophisticated trigg	ger and filtering controls		
Histograms		Port-level histogram modes for latency, jitter, inter-arrival time, frame length, sequence run leng and sequence difference check			

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### **About Spirent**

**Spirent Communications** (LSE: SPT) is a global leader with deep expertise and decades of experience in testing, assurance, analytics and security, serving developers, service providers, and enterprise networks. We help bring clarity to increasingly complex technological and business challenges. Spirent's customers have made a promise to their customers to deliver superior performance. Spirent assures that those promises are fulfilled.

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### Technical Specifications (cont'd)

#### Spirent TestCenter Protocol Emulation

Spirent TestCenter protocols available as separately licensed packages. Below is a sample list of supported protocols. Contact Spirent for a full list of capabilities and packages.

Enterprise and data center switch protocol support

- OpenFlow 1.3 / 1.0: OpenFlow switch and controller emulation and switch conformance testing
- Routing, multicast and bridging: All major IPv4 and IPv6 unicast and multicast routing protocols, IGMPv1/v2/v3, MLDv1/v2, LACP, STP, RSTP and MSTP
- Data center: DCBX, FCoE, FIP, 802.1Qbb

Service Provider Protocol support

- SDN/NFV: PCE and Segment Routing
- Routing and MPLS: All major IPv4 and IPv6 unicast and multicast routing protocols, RSVP-TE, LDP, VPLS-LDP, VPLS-BGP, BGP/MPLS-VPN, Fast Reroute, EVPN, mVPN, P2MP-TE, BFD, TWAMP and PWE3 (RFC4447)
- Access: ANCP, PPPoE, DHCP, L2TP, IGMPv1/v2/v3, MLDv1/v2, DHCPv6 and PPPoEv6
- Carrier Ethernet and bridging: LACP, STP, RSTP and MSTP, 802.1ag
   CFM, Y.1731, PBB, PBB-TE, Link OAM
- Mobile Backhaul: MPLS-TP, 1588v2 and Synchronous Ethernet

Ordering Information			
Test Modules			
Description	Part Number		
Spirent MX3 25 10G SFP28 8-Port	MX3-25GD-S8		
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