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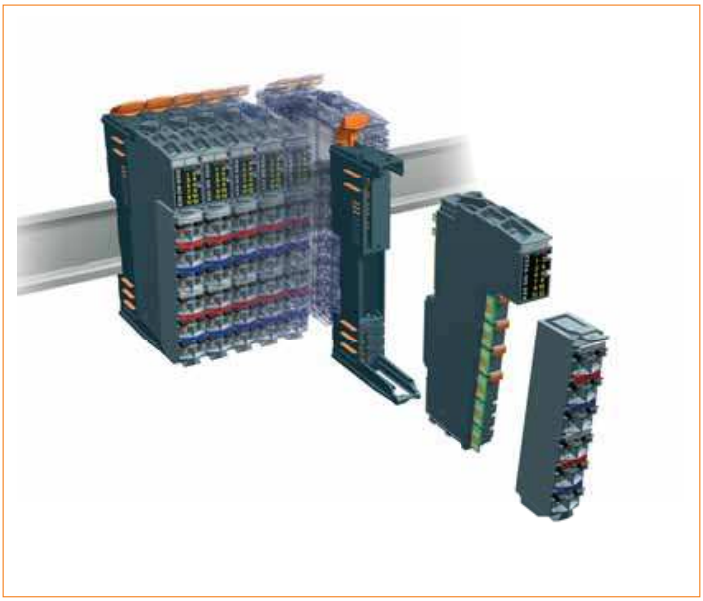


The new standard for automation

There are many different I/O slice systems. With the X20 System, B&R is setting new standards according to the motto "Perfection in Automation". Born from experience gained from applications all over the world, numerous conversations with customers, and with the aim for more simple, economical and secure usage, the X20 System is the new universal solution for any automation task in machine and system manufacturing.

More than just I/O

With well thought-out details and a sophisticated ergonomic design, the X20 System is more than a remote I/O system, it is a complete control solution. The X20 System family makes it possible to combine the exact components necessary depending on the user's demands and individual application requirements.

- The X20 System is the ideal addition to a standard fieldbus and expands the possibilities of standard control systems. Simply connect it and configure it.
- Teamed up with other B&R components, the X20 System achieves its full potential and allows the implementation of applications with unimagined performance and flexibility. Seamless integration is a major advantage.

3 x 1 = One

Three basic elements result in one module:
Terminal block – Electronic module – Bus module
This modularity results in a system that combines the advantages of both rack and I/O slice systems:

- Prewiring without the module
- Hot pluggable electronics
- Extra bus slots for added options

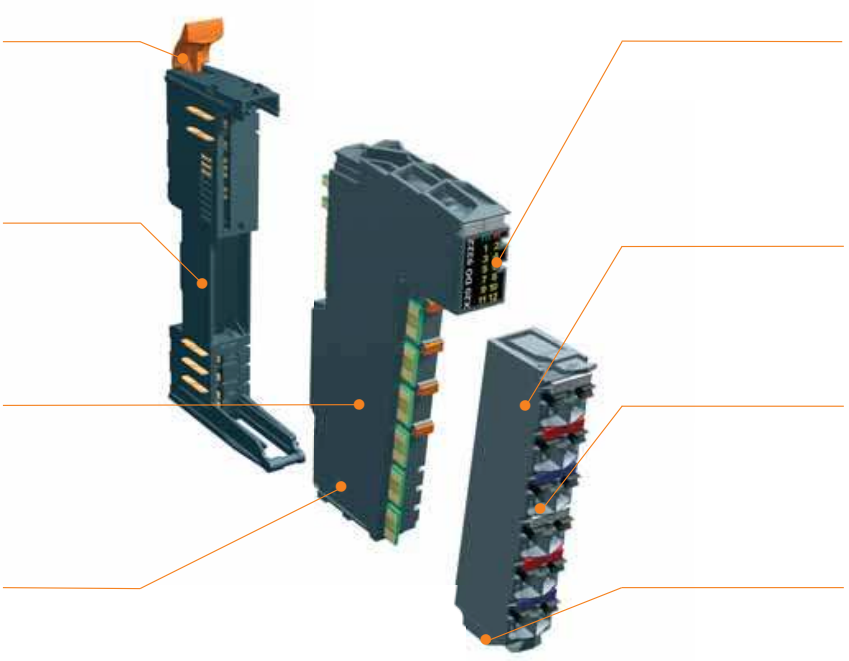
The X20 System is distinguished by a 50% increase in component density, perfected connection technology and optimal granularity.

- **Added value**
  12 channels with a width of 12.5 mm allow a component density never before achieved with optimal terminal ergonomics. As a result, the X20 System offers 50% more channels than conventional slice systems. And this without sacrificing terminal connections.
- **Continuity**
  Consistent implementation of 1-wire, 2-wire or 3-wire connections - no additional jumper terminals needed.
- **Granularity**
  One channel and two channel modules: Maximum flexibility so you only have to pay for what you really need.

Optimally designed

X20 modules are divided into three parts to guarantee the simplest applicability throughout their entire lifecycle. The division into bus module, electronic module and terminal block provides many advantages.

- **Preconfigured for different machine types**
  The X20 System bus modules are the basic platform for many machine variations. The design of the machine determines which electronics modules are used. The software recognizes the layout automatically and provides the necessary functions. Handling a range of machine types couldn't be easier.
- **Industrial switching cabinet construction**
  The X20 System terminal blocks, which are separated from the electronics modules, make it possible to prewire complete switching cabinets. Ideal for series production machines.
- **Easy maintenance**
  X20 modules can be easily exchanged to simplify troubleshooting. The electronic modules can be exchanged without interrupting operation. The wiring stays the same thanks to the separate terminal blocks. Being able to exchange the automation components quickly reduces down-time.



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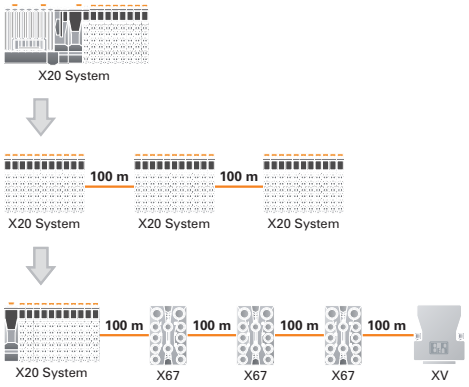
Remote backplane

The main idea: Decentralized backplane for a rack system - in other words, the cable is the backplane. All modules are connected using a uniform backplane (X2X Link). Directly connected X20, X67 or XV modules can each be placed at a distance of up to 100 m outside the confines of the switching cabinet. X2X Link guarantees the highest possible level of resistance to disturbances based on twisted copper cables.

This results in a universal remote backplane that handles communication between bus modules as well as communication via the X2X Link cable, without converters or any loss in performance. A unique feature of the X20 is the possibility to later integrate machine options on bus modules that are not yet being used without having to change the software addressing.

Note: A 100 m X2X Link cable is available from B&R for custom prefabrication (model number: X67CA0X99.1000).



X20 CPUs

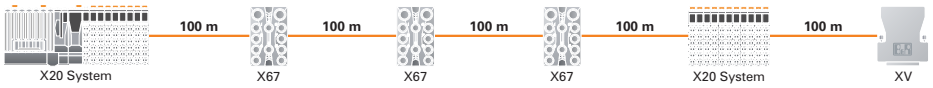
General information
The new, optimally scaled X20 System CPU line satisfies a wide range of needs. It can be implemented anywhere, from standard applications to the most demanding applications with the highest performance requirements. It can even effectively handle cycle times of 200 μs.

At B&R, RS232, Ethernet and USB are already standard equipment. Network capability and connecting USB devices are therefore possible at no additional cost. In addition, every CPU has a POWERLINK connection for real-time communication. The possibility to directly connect axes is already integrated. Although most demands are met by a standard CPU, there are up to three multipurpose slots for additional interface modules.

Because the X20 CPU was designed for mounting rail installation in a switching cabinet, up to 250 X20 I/O modules - 3000 channels - can be connected directly. This provides the highest performance as well as the advantages of the remote backplane.

System characteristics

Remote backplane
A power supply integrated in the CPU with I/O supply terminals provides power for the backplane and I/O sensors and actuators, eliminating the need for additional system components. With a direct I/O connection to an X20 CPU, you get all the advantages of the remote backplane, i.e. the ability to repeatedly place I/O line sections anywhere within 100 m using a cable or to add modules with IP67 protection.



B&R Automation Studio
B&R Automation Studio is the only programming tool needed for all platforms. All relevant IEC61131-3 languages and C can be used to create the application software. Integrated visualization, NC and soft CNC functions and Web server technologies complete the range of useful features.

PC-based technology
Based on the latest Intel Celeron processor technology, the X20 CPUs can utilize 200 µs cycle times.
Large amounts of RAM grant the user unrestricted freedom with applications. It is complemented by a battery buffered non-volatile SRAM for task specific data and remanent variables. In the case of a power outage, variables that have been declared as being remanent are automatically copied from the fast RAM to the secure SRAM. The data content remains in tact until the controller is restarted, and the process can simply be resumed. In addition, a slot for CompactFlash cards is integrated in the system for saving programs or application data, such as recipes.

System characteristics

Suitable for industrial use
Providing the highest performance, with many standard interfaces and interface modules for expansions, yet the dimensions are unbelievably compact. The dimensions of the CPU match those of the X20 modules, which prevents unnecessary waste of space in the switching cabinet.

Fan-free operation - a demand the X20 CPUs can satisfy. None of the processors requires a fan, which makes them virtually maintenance-free. To permit the Celeron 650 CPU to operate over the entire temperature range, it comes with a fan.

Preventative maintenance is possible thanks to monitoring the function of the fan, monitoring the temperature of the processor and the ability to exchange the fan from the outside without a tool and without removing the CPU.

X20 Compact CPUs

General information
With a width of 37.5 mm the new X20 Compact CPUs are extremely compact, yet surprisingly powerful. Less powerful than the PC-based CPUs, there are several models of Compact CPU available in two performance classes.
The Compact CPUs are ideal for situations where cycle times in the millisecond range are acceptable and value is the deciding factor. A range of models with CAN and Ethernet can adapt optimally to all demands. The result: extremely sleek automation solutions.
The Compact CPU's design and dimensions correspond to the X20 System. The X20 I/O modules are connected directly to the CPU. These are attached seamlessly to the CPU, making the entire system an extreme space saver in the switching cabinet. Despite the sleek profile, the CPU supply, the X2X Link supply, and the I/O module supply are integrated in the system. No additional power modules are necessary.
All CPUs have at least two things in common: multitasking capability and programming with B&R Automation Studio using all relevant IEC61131-3 languages and C.

Product range
The product range begins with the sleekest solution, the X20 Compact CPU equipped with an RS232 online interface and the integrated X20 module connection. Selecting another bus module adds a CAN interface to the solution. The top end of the product range includes CPUs with a Fast Ethernet interface. The design with Ethernet is also available as a variant with approximately 60% more processing power.

System characteristics

X20 fieldbus CPUs with integrated fieldbus connection

General information
Remote design of I/O systems is one of the standard topologies used in automation solutions for machines and equipment. In addition, fieldbuses with bus controllers are normally used. Larger topologies or standard fieldbuses like CANopen, Profibus DP, or DeviceNet can cause relatively long reaction times.
An input must travel via the bus controller to the CPU before it is processed. The output data must then return on the same path. This is sufficient for most I/O functions. However, this reaction time is too long for some functions. The best solution is for the bus controller to process the data. This type of data preprocessing is usually associated with limited CPU function in the programmable bus controller.
Fieldbus CPUs with integrated fieldbus connection overcome these limitations. Fieldbus CPUs are variations of Compact CPUs. In addition to these features, there is also the option of connecting fieldbus modules to the left side. The full CPU function of the Compact CPUs plus a plug-in fieldbus module create many more possibilities than simply data preprocessing. There are enough reserves for relatively complex application processing. Intelligent substations are another area of use. That means a part of the machine must continue to function, even when separated from the main controller.
Based on the Compact CPU platform with up to two plug-in interface modules for the respective fieldbus connection, this results in a very compact (62.5 mm), powerful, and intelligent fieldbus controller.

Product range
As with Compact CPUs, the new CPUs with fieldbus connection are available in two performance classes. Depending on the bus module being used, the CPU has an RS232 interface or an RS232 interface supplemented with a CAN interface. The CPU with higher processing power is available with or without an Ethernet onboard interface. Various fieldbus modules are available.

Programming
All CPUs have several features in common, including integrated connection of X20 modules and system multitasking capability. With B&R Automation Studio, programming can be done in all IEC 61131-3 languages and in C.

X20 System
Slice-based I/O and control system

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