



SIMATIC S7-1500, CPU 1518F-3 PN, central processing unit with 18 MB work memory for program and 150 MB for data, 1st interface: PROFINET IRT with 2-port switch, 2nd interface: PROFINET IRT with 2-port switch, 3rd interface: Ethernet, 0.3 ns bit performance, SIMATIC Memory Card required

General information	
Product type designation	CPU 1518F-3 PN
HW functional status	FS01
Firmware version	V4.0
• FW update possible	Yes
Product function	
• I&M data	Yes; I&M0 to I&M3
• Isochronous mode	Yes; Distributed and central; with minimum OB 6x cycle of 125 µs (distributed) and 1 ms (central)
• SysLog	Yes
Engineering with	
• STEP 7 TIA Portal configurable/integrated from version	V20 (FW V4.0)
Configuration control	
via dataset	Yes
Display	
Screen diagonal [cm]	6.1 cm
Control elements	
Number of keys	8
Mode buttons	2
Supply voltage	
Rated value (DC)	24 V
permissible range, lower limit (DC)	19.2 V
permissible range, upper limit (DC)	28.8 V
Reverse polarity protection	Yes
Mains buffering	
• Mains/voltage failure stored energy time	5 ms
• Repeat rate, min.	1/s
Input current	
Current consumption (rated value)	1.35 A; 1.45 A with performance boost
Current consumption, max.	2.1 A
Inrush current, max.	2.1 A; Rated value
I ² t	0.5 A ² -s
Power	
Infeed power to the backplane bus	12 W
Power consumption from the backplane bus (balanced)	30 W
Power loss	
Power loss, typ.	20.4 W; 22.8 W with performance boost
Memory	
Number of slots for SIMATIC memory card	1
SIMATIC memory card required	Yes

Work memory	
• integrated (for program)	18 Mbyte
• integrated (for data)	150 Mbyte
Load memory	
• Plug-in (SIMATIC Memory Card), max.	32 Gbyte
Backup	
• maintenance-free	Yes
CPU processing times	
for bit operations, typ.	0.3 ns
for word operations, typ.	0.8 ns
for fixed point arithmetic, typ.	0.8 ns
for floating point arithmetic, typ.	2.5 ns
CPU-blocks	
Number of elements (total)	40 000; Blocks (OB, FB, FC, DB) and UDTs
DB	
• Number range	1 ... 60 999; subdivided into: number range that can be used by the user: 1 ... 59 999, and number range of DBs created via SFC 86: 60 000 ... 60 999
• Size, max.	16 Mbyte; For DBs with absolute addressing, the max. size is 64 KB
FB	
• Number range	0 ... 65 535
• Size, max.	1 Mbyte
FC	
• Number range	0 ... 65 535
• Size, max.	1 Mbyte
OB	
• Size, max.	1 Mbyte
• Number of free cycle OBs	100
• Number of time alarm OBs	20
• Number of delay alarm OBs	20
• Number of cyclic interrupt OBs	20; with minimum OB 3x cycle of 100 µs
• Number of process alarm OBs	50
• Number of DPV1 alarm OBs	3
• Number of isochronous mode OBs	3
• Number of startup OBs	100
• Number of asynchronous error OBs	4
• Number of synchronous error OBs	2
• Number of diagnostic alarm OBs	1
Nesting depth	
• per priority class	24; Up to 8 possible for F-blocks
Counters, timers and their retentivity	
S7 counter	
• Number	2 048
Retentivity	
— adjustable	Yes
IEC counter	
• Number	Any (only limited by the main memory)
Retentivity	
— adjustable	Yes
S7 times	
• Number	2 048
Retentivity	
— adjustable	Yes
IEC timer	
• Number	Any (only limited by the main memory)
Retentivity	
— adjustable	Yes
Data areas and their retentivity	
Retentive data area (incl. timers, counters, flags), max.	4.5 Mbyte; In total; available retentive memory for bit memories, timers, counters, DBs, and technology data (axes): 700 KB
Extended retentive data area (incl. timers, counters, flags), max.	100 Mbyte; When using PS 6 0W 24/48/60 V DC HF
Flag	

• Size, max.	16 kbyte
• Number of clock memories	8; 8 clock memory bit, grouped into one clock memory byte
Data blocks	
• Retentivity adjustable	Yes
• Retentivity preset	No
Local data	
• per priority class, max.	64 kbyte; max. 16 KB per block
Address area	
Number of IO modules	16 384; max. number of modules / submodules
I/O address area	
• Inputs	32 kbyte; All inputs are in the process image
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per integrated IO subsystem	
— Inputs (volume)	32 kbyte
— Outputs (volume)	32 kbyte
per CM/CP	
— Inputs (volume)	8 kbyte
— Outputs (volume)	8 kbyte
Subprocess images	
• Number of subprocess images, max.	32
Hardware configuration	
Number of distributed IO systems	64; A distributed I/O system is characterized not only by the integration of distributed I/O via PROFINET or PROFIBUS communication modules, but also by the connection of I/O via AS-i master modules or links (e.g. IE/PB-Link)
Number of DP masters	
• integrated	0
• Via CM	8; A maximum of 8 CMs/CPs (PROFIBUS, PROFINET, Ethernet) can be inserted in total
Number of IO Controllers	
• integrated	2
• Via CM	8; A maximum of 8 CMs/CPs (PROFIBUS, PROFINET, Ethernet) can be inserted in total
Rack	
• Modules per rack, max.	32; CPU + 31 modules
• Number of lines, max.	1
PtP CM	
• Number of PtP CMs	the number of connectable PtP CMs is only limited by the number of available slots
Time of day	
Clock	
• Type	Hardware clock
• Backup time	6 wk; At 40 °C ambient temperature, typically
• Deviation per day, max.	10 s; Typ.: 2 s
Operating hours counter	
• Number	16
Clock synchronization	
• supported	Yes
• to DP, master	Yes; via PROFIBUS CM / CP
• on DP, device	Yes; via PROFIBUS CM / CP
• in AS, master	Yes
• in AS, device	Yes
• on Ethernet via NTP	Yes
Interfaces	
Number of PROFINET interfaces	3
Number of PROFIBUS interfaces	0
1. Interface	
Interface types	
• RJ 45 (Ethernet)	Yes; X1
• Number of ports	2
• integrated switch	Yes
Protocols	
• IP protocol	Yes; IPv4

• PROFINET IO Controller • PROFINET IO Device • SIMATIC communication • Open IE communication • Web server • Media redundancy	Yes Yes Yes Yes; Optionally also encrypted Yes Yes
PROFINET IO Controller	
Services	
— Isochronous mode	Yes
— Direct data exchange	Yes; Requirement: IRT and isochronous mode (MRPD optional)
— IRT	Yes
— PROFINergy	Yes; per user program
— Prioritized startup	Yes; Max. 32 PROFINET devices
— Number of connectable IO Devices, max.	512; in total, up to 1661 distributed I/O devices can be connected via AS-i, PROFIBUS or PROFINET
— Of which IO devices with IRT, max.	64; with DFP: 256 IO devices in 8 DFP groups
— Number of connectable IO Devices for RT, max.	512
— of which in line, max.	512
— Number of IO Devices that can be simultaneously activated/deactivated, max.	8; in total across all interfaces
— Number of IO Devices per tool, max.	8
— Updating times	The minimum value of the update time also depends on communication share set for PROFINET IO, on the number of IO devices, and on the quantity of configured user data
— PROFINET Security Class	1
Update time for IRT	
— for send cycle of 125 µs	125 µs
— for send cycle of 187.5 µs	187.5 µs
— for send cycle of 250 µs	250 µs to 4 ms
— for send cycle of 500 µs	500 µs to 8 ms
— for send cycle of 1 ms	1 ms to 16 ms
— for send cycle of 2 ms	2 ms to 32 ms
— for send cycle of 4 ms	4 ms to 64 ms
— With IRT and parameterization of "odd" send cycles	Update time = set "odd" send clock (any multiple of 125 µs: 375 µs, 625 µs ... 3 875 µs)
Update time for RT	
— for send cycle of 250 µs	250 µs to 128 ms
— for send cycle of 500 µs	500 µs to 256 ms
— for send cycle of 1 ms	1 ms to 512 ms
— for send cycle of 2 ms	2 ms to 512 ms
— for send cycle of 4 ms	4 ms to 512 ms
PROFINET IO Device	
Services	
— Isochronous mode	No
— IRT	Yes; Minimum send cycle of 250 µs
— PROFINergy	Yes; per user program
— Shared device	Yes
— Number of IO Controllers with shared device, max.	4
— activation/deactivation of I-devices	Yes; per user program
— Asset management record	Yes; per user program
— PROFINET Security Class	SNMP Configuration and DCP Read Only
2. Interface	
Interface types	
• RJ 45 (Ethernet)	Yes; X2
• Number of ports	2
• integrated switch	Yes
Protocols	
• IP protocol	Yes; IPv4
• PROFINET IO Controller	Yes
• PROFINET IO Device	Yes
• SIMATIC communication	Yes
• Open IE communication	Yes; Optionally also encrypted

• Web server	Yes
• Media redundancy	Yes
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— for send cycle of 1 ms	1 ms to 16 ms
— for send cycle of 2 ms	2 ms to 32 ms
— for send cycle of 4 ms	4 ms to 64 ms
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— Asset management record	Yes; per user program
— PROFINET Security Class	SNMP Configuration and DCP Read Only
3. Interface	
Interface types	
• RJ 45 (Ethernet)	Yes; X3
• Number of ports	1
• integrated switch	No
Protocols	
• IP protocol	Yes; IPv4
• PROFINET IO Controller	No
• PROFINET IO Device	No
• SIMATIC communication	Yes
• Open IE communication	Yes; Optionally also encrypted
• Web server	Yes
Interface types	
RJ 45 (Ethernet)	
• 100 Mbps	Yes
• 1000 Mbps	Yes; only possible at the X3 interface of the CPU
• Autonegotiation	Yes

• Autocrossing	Yes
• Industrial Ethernet status LED	Yes
Protocols	
PROFIsafe	Yes; V2.4 / V2.6
Number of connections	
• Number of connections, max.	384; via integrated interfaces of the CPU and connected CPs / CMs
• Number of connections reserved for ES/HMI/web	10
• Number of connections via integrated interfaces	320
• Number of S7 routing paths	64
Redundancy mode	
• H-Sync forwarding	Yes
Media redundancy	
— Media redundancy	via the X1 or X2 interface
— MRP	Yes; MRP Automanager according to IEC 62439-2 Edition 2.0, MRP Manager; MRP Client
— MRP interconnection, supported	Yes; as MRP ring node according to IEC 62439-2 Edition 3.0
— MRPD	Yes; Requirement: IRT
— Switchover time on line break, typ.	200 ms; For MRP, bumpless for MRPD
— Number of stations in the ring, max.	50
SIMATIC communication	
• PG/OP communication	Yes; encryption with TLS V1.3 pre-selected
• S7 routing	Yes
• Data record routing	Yes
• S7 communication, as server	Yes
• S7 communication, as client	Yes
• User data per job, max.	See online help (S7 communication, user data size)
Open IE communication	
• TCP/IP	Yes
— Data length, max.	64 kbyte
— several passive connections per port, supported	Yes
• ISO-on-TCP (RFC1006)	Yes
— Data length, max.	64 kbyte
• UDP	Yes
— Data length, max.	2 kbyte; 1 472 bytes for UDP broadcast
— UDP multicast	Yes; max. 128 multicast circuits
• DHCP	Yes
• DNS	Yes
• SNMP	Yes
• DCP	Yes
• LLDP	Yes
• Encryption	Yes; Optional
Web server	
• HTTP	Yes; Standard and user pages
• HTTPS	Yes; Standard and user pages
• web API	
— Number of sessions, max.	200
— number of simultaneous HTTP calls, max.	4
— HTTP request body, max.	131 072 byte
OPC UA	
• Runtime license required	Yes; "Large" license required
• OPC UA Client	Yes; Data Access (registered Read/Write), Method Call
— Application authentication	Yes
— Security policies	Available security policies: None, Basic128Rsa15, Basic256Rsa15, Basic256Sha256
— User authentication	"anonymous" or by user name & password
— Number of connections, max.	40
— Number of nodes of the client interfaces, recommended max.	5 000
— Number of elements for one call of OPC-UA_NodeGetHandleList/OPC-UA_ReadList/OPC-UA_WriteList, max.	300
— Number of elements for one call of OPC-UA_SetWriteValues, max.	20

OPC-UA_NameSpaceGetIndexList, max.	
— Number of elements for one call of OPC-UA_MethodGetHandleList, max.	100
— Number of simultaneous calls of the client instructions for session management, per connection, max.	1
— Number of simultaneous calls of the client instructions for data access, per connection, max.	5
— Number of registerable nodes, max.	5 000
— Number of registerable method calls of OPC-UA_MethodCall, max.	100
— Number of inputs/outputs when calling OPC-UA_MethodCall, max.	20
• OPC UA Server	Yes; data access (read, write, subscribe), method call, alarms & condition (A&C), custom address space, role-based access control
— Application authentication	Yes
— Security policies	available security policies: None, Basic128Rsa15, Basic256Rsa15, Basic256Sha256, Aes128Sha256RsaOaep, Aes256Sha256RsaPss
— User authentication	"anonymous" or by user name & password
— GDS support (certificate management)	Yes
— Number of sessions, max.	64
— Number of accessible variables, max.	200 000
— Number of registerable nodes, max.	50 000
— Number of subscriptions per session, max.	50
— Sampling interval, min.	10 ms
— Publishing interval, min.	10 ms
— Number of server methods, max.	8 000; max. 200 concurrently running jobs each for asynchronous instructions OPC-UA_ServerMethodPre (V1.1) and OPC-UA_ServerMethodPost (V1.1)
— Number of inputs/outputs per server method, max.	20
— Number of monitored items, recommended max.	60 000; for 1 s sampling interval and 1 s send interval
— Number of server interfaces, max.	10 of each "Server interfaces" / "Companion specification" type and 20 of the type "Reference namespace"
— Number of nodes for user-defined server interfaces, max.	200 000
• Alarms and Conditions	Yes
— Number of program alarms	400
— Number of alarms for system diagnostics	200
Further protocols	
• MODBUS	Yes; MODBUS TCP
S7 message functions	
Number of login stations for message functions, max.	64
number of subscriptions, max.	750
number of tags/attributes for subscriptions, max.	120 000
Program alarms	Yes
Number of configurable program messages, max.	20 000; Program messages are generated by the "Program_Alarm" block, ProDiag or GRAPH
Number of loadable program messages in RUN, max.	20 000
Number of simultaneously active program alarms	
• Number of program alarms	4 000
• Number of alarms for system diagnostics	1 000
• Number of alarms for motion technology objects	960
Test commissioning functions	
Joint commission (Team Engineering)	Yes; Parallel online access possible for up to 10 engineering systems
Status block	Yes; Up to 16 simultaneously (in total across all ES clients)
Single step	No
Number of breakpoints	20
Profiling	Yes
Status/control	
• Status/control variable	Yes; without fail-safe
• Variables	inputs/outputs, bit memories, DBs, peripheral I/Os (without fail-safe), times, counters
• Number of variables, max.	
— of which status variables, max.	200; per job
— of which control variables, max.	200; per job

Forcing	
• Forcing	Yes; without fail-safe
• Forcing, variables	peripheral inputs/outputs (without fail-safe)
• Number of variables, max.	200
Diagnostic buffer	
• present	Yes
• Number of entries, max.	3 200
— of which powerfail-proof	1 000
Traces	
• Number of configurable Traces	8
• Memory size per trace, max.	512 kbyte
Interrupts/diagnostics/status information	
Diagnostics indication LED	
• RUN/STOP LED	Yes
• ERROR LED	Yes
• MAINT LED	Yes
• STOP ACTIVE LED	Yes
• Connection display LINK TX/RX	Yes
Supported technology objects	
Motion Control	Yes; Note: The number of technology objects affects the cycle time of the PLC program; selection guide via the TIA Selection Tool
• Number of available Motion Control resources for technology objects	30 720
• Required Motion Control resources	
— per speed-controlled axis	40
— per positioning axis	80
— per synchronous axis	160
— per external encoder	80
— per output cam	20
— per cam track	160
— per probe	40
• Positioning axis	
— Number of positioning axes at motion control cycle of 4 ms (typical value)	205
— Number of positioning axes at motion control cycle of 8 ms (typical value)	310
Controller	
• PID_Compact	Yes; Universal PID controller with integrated optimization
• PID_3Step	Yes; PID controller with integrated optimization for valves
• PID-Temp	Yes; PID controller with integrated optimization for temperature
Counting and measuring	
• High-speed counter	Yes
Standards, approvals, certificates	
Highest safety class achievable in safety mode	
• Performance level according to ISO 13849-1	PLe
• SIL acc. to IEC 61508	SIL 3
Probability of failure (for service life of 20 years and repair time of 100 hours)	
— Low demand mode: PFDavg in accordance with SIL3	< 2.00E-05
— High demand/continuous mode: PFH in accordance with SIL3	< 1.00E-09
product functions / security / header	
PROFINET Security Class	1
signed firmware update	Yes
Secure Boot	Yes
safely removing data	Yes
Ambient conditions	
Ambient temperature during operation	
• horizontal installation, min.	0 °C
• horizontal installation, max.	60 °C; Display: 50 °C, at an operating temperature of typically 50 °C, the display is switched off
• vertical installation, min.	0 °C

• vertical installation, max.	40 °C; Display: 40 °C, at an operating temperature of typically 40 °C, the display is switched off
Ambient temperature during storage/transportation	
• min.	-40 °C
• max.	70 °C
Altitude during operation relating to sea level	
• Installation altitude above sea level, max.	5 000 m; Restrictions for installation altitudes > 2 000 m, see manual
configuration / header	
configuration / programming / header	
Programming language	
— LAD	Yes; incl. failsafe
— FBD	Yes; incl. failsafe
— STL	Yes
— SCL	Yes
— CFC	Yes; either CFC or failsafe functionality
— GRAPH	Yes
Know-how protection	
• User program protection/password protection	Yes
• Copy protection	Yes
• Block protection	Yes
Access protection	
• protection of confidential configuration data	Yes
• Password for display	Yes
• Protection level: Write protection	Yes
• Protection level: Read/write protection	Yes
• Protection level: Write protection for Failsafe	Yes
• Protection level: Complete protection	Yes
• User administration	Yes; device-wide and centralized
• Number of users	100
• Number of groups	100
• Number of roles	50
programming / cycle time monitoring / header	
• lower limit	adjustable minimum cycle time
• upper limit	adjustable maximum cycle time
Dimensions	
Width	175 mm
Height	147 mm
Depth	129 mm
Weights	
Weight, approx.	1 637 g

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