



SIMATIC S7-1500, CPU 1516-3 PN/DP, central processing unit with 1 MB work memory for program and 5 MB for data, 1st interface: PROFINET IRT with 2-port switch, 2nd interface: PROFINET RT, 3rd interface: PROFIBUS, 10 ns bit performance, SIMATIC Memory Card required

| General information | |
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| Product type designation | CPU 1516-3 PN/DP |
| HW functional status | FS01 |
| Firmware version | V2.9 |
| Product function | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I&M data | Yes; I&M0 to I&M3 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isochronous mode | Yes; Distributed and central; with minimum OB 6x cycle of 375 µs (distributed) and 1 ms (central) |
| Engineering with | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STEP 7 TIA Portal configurable/integrated from version | V17 (FW V2.9) / V16 (FW V2.8) or higher; with older TIA Portal versions configurable as 6ES7516-3AN01-0AB0 |
| 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 | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mains/voltage failure stored energy time | 5 ms |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repeat rate, min. | 1/s |
| Input current | |
| Current consumption (rated value) | 0.85 A |
| Current consumption, max. | 1.1 A |
| Inrush current, max. | 2.4 A; Rated value |
| I ² t | 0.02 A ² ·s |
| Power | |
| Infeed power to the backplane bus | 12 W |
| Power consumption from the backplane bus (balanced) | 6.7 W |
| Power loss | |
| Power loss, typ. | 7 W |
| Memory | |
| Number of slots for SIMATIC memory card | 1 |
| SIMATIC memory card required | Yes |
| Work memory | |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> integrated (for program) | 1 Mbyte |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> integrated (for data) | 5 Mbyte |
| Load memory | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plug-in (SIMATIC Memory Card), max. | 32 Gbyte |
| Backup | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> maintenance-free | Yes |
| CPU processing times | |
| for bit operations, typ. | 10 ns |
| for word operations, typ. | 12 ns |
| for fixed point arithmetic, typ. | 16 ns |
| for floating point arithmetic, typ. | 64 ns |
| CPU-blocks | |
| Number of elements (total) | 8 000; Blocks (OB, FB, FC, DB) and UDTs |
| DB | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size, max. | 5 Mbyte; For DBs with absolute addressing, the max. size is 64 KB |
| FB | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number range | 0 ... 65 535 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size, max. | 1 Mbyte |
| FC | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number range | 0 ... 65 535 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size, max. | 1 Mbyte |
| OB | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size, max. | 1 Mbyte |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of free cycle OBs | 100 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of time alarm OBs | 20 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of delay alarm OBs | 20 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of cyclic interrupt OBs | 20; With minimum OB 3x cycle of 250 µs |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of process alarm OBs | 50 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of DPV1 alarm OBs | 3 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of isochronous mode OBs | 3 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of technology synchronous alarm OBs | 2 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of startup OBs | 100 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of asynchronous error OBs | 4 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of synchronous error OBs | 2 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of diagnostic alarm OBs | 1 |
| Nesting depth | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> per priority class | 24 |
| Counters, timers and their retentivity | |
| S7 counter | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number | 2 048 |
| Retentivity | |
| — adjustable | Yes |
| IEC counter | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number | Any (only limited by the main memory) |
| Retentivity | |
| — adjustable | Yes |
| S7 times | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number | 2 048 |
| Retentivity | |
| — adjustable | Yes |
| IEC timer | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number | Any (only limited by the main memory) |
| Retentivity | |
| — adjustable | Yes |
| Data areas and their retentivity | |
| Retentive data area (incl. timers, counters, flags), max. | 512 kbyte; In total; available retentive memory for bit memories, timers, counters, DBs, and technology data (axes): 472 KB |
| Extended retentive data area (incl. timers, counters, flags), max. | 5 Mbyte; When using PS 6 0W 24/48/60 V DC HF |
| Flag | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Size, max. | 16 kbyte |


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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of clock memories | 8; 8 clock memory bit, grouped into one clock memory byte |
| Data blocks | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retentivity adjustable Retentivity preset | Yes No |
| Local data | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> per priority class, max. | 64 kbyte; max. 16 KB per block |
| Address area | |
| Number of IO modules | 8 192; max. number of modules / submodules |
| I/O address area | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inputs Outputs | 32 kbyte; All inputs are in the process image 32 kbyte; All outputs are in the process image |
| per integrated IO subsystem | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inputs (volume) Outputs (volume) | 8 kbyte 8 kbyte |
| per CM/CP | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inputs (volume) Outputs (volume) | 8 kbyte 8 kbyte |
| Subprocess images | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> integrated Via CM | 1 8; A maximum of 8 CMs/CPs (PROFIBUS, PROFINET, Ethernet) can be inserted in total |
| Number of IO Controllers | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> integrated Via CM | 2 8; A maximum of 8 CMs/CPs (PROFIBUS, PROFINET, Ethernet) can be inserted in total |
| Rack | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modules per rack, max. Number of lines, max. | 32; CPU + 31 modules 1 |
| PtP CM | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of PtP CMs | the number of connectable PtP CMs is only limited by the number of available slots |
| Time of day | |
| Clock | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type Backup time Deviation per day, max. | Hardware clock 6 wk; At 40 °C ambient temperature, typically 10 s; Typ.: 2 s |
| Operating hours counter | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number | 16 |
| Clock synchronization | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> supported to DP, master in AS, master in AS, slave on Ethernet via NTP | Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes |
| Interfaces | |
| Number of PROFINET interfaces | 2 |
| Number of PROFIBUS interfaces | 1 |
| 1. Interface | |
| Interface types | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RJ 45 (Ethernet) Number of ports integrated switch | Yes; X1 2 Yes |
| Protocols | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IP protocol PROFINET IO Controller PROFINET IO Device SIMATIC communication | Yes; IPv4 Yes Yes Yes |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open IE communication | Yes; Optionally also encrypted |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web server | Yes |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media redundancy | Yes |
| PROFINET IO Controller | |
| Services | |
| — PG/OP communication | Yes |
| — Isochronous mode | Yes |
| — Direct data exchange | Yes; Requirement: IRT and isochronous mode (MRPD optional) |
| — IRT | Yes |
| — PROFIenergy | Yes; per user program |
| — Prioritized startup | Yes; Max. 32 PROFINET devices |
| — Number of connectable IO Devices, max. | 256; In total, up to 1 000 distributed I/O devices can be connected via AS-i, PROFIBUS or PROFINET |
| — Of which IO devices with IRT, max. | 64 |
| — Number of connectable IO Devices for RT, max. | 256 |
| — of which in line, max. | 256 |
| — 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 |
| Update time for IRT | |
| — for send cycle of 250 µs | 250 µs to 4 ms; Note: In the case of IRT with isochronous mode, the minimum update time of 375 µs of the isochronous OB is decisive |
| — 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 | |
| — PG/OP communication | Yes |
| — Isochronous mode | No |
| — IRT | Yes |
| — PROFIenergy | 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 |
| 2. Interface | |
| Interface types | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RJ 45 (Ethernet) | Yes; X2 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of ports | 1 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • integrated switch | No |
| Protocols | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IP protocol | Yes; IPv4 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PROFINET IO Controller | Yes |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PROFINET IO Device | Yes |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIMATIC communication | Yes |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open IE communication | Yes; Optionally also encrypted |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web server | Yes |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media redundancy | No |
| PROFINET IO Controller | |
| Services | |
| — PG/OP communication | Yes |

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| — Isochronous mode | No |
| — Direct data exchange | No |
| — IRT | No |
| — PROFIenergy | Yes; per user program |
| — Prioritized startup | No |
| — Number of connectable IO Devices, max. | 32; In total, up to 1 000 distributed I/O devices can be connected via AS-i, PROFIBUS or PROFINET |
| — Number of connectable IO Devices for RT, max. | 32 |
| — of which in line, max. | 32 |
| — 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 |
| Update time for RT | |
| — for send cycle of 1 ms | 1 ms to 512 ms |
| PROFINET IO Device | |
| Services | |
| — PG/OP communication | Yes |
| — Isochronous mode | No |
| — IRT | No |
| — PROFIenergy | Yes; per user program |
| — Prioritized startup | No |
| — 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 |
| 3. Interface | |
| Interface types | |
| • RS 485 | Yes; X3 |
| • Number of ports | 1 |
| Protocols | |
| • PROFIBUS DP master | Yes |
| • PROFIBUS DP slave | No |
| • SIMATIC communication | Yes |
| PROFIBUS DP master | |
| • Number of connections, max. | 48; for the integrated PROFIBUS DP interface |
| • Number of DP slaves, max. | 125; In total, up to 1 000 distributed I/O devices can be connected via AS-i, PROFIBUS or PROFINET |
| Services | |
| — PG/OP communication | Yes |
| — Equidistance | Yes |
| — Isochronous mode | Yes |
| — Activation/deactivation of DP slaves | Yes |
| Interface types | |
| RJ 45 (Ethernet) | |
| • 100 Mbps | Yes |
| • Autonegotiation | Yes |
| • Autocrossing | Yes |
| • Industrial Ethernet status LED | Yes |
| RS 485 | |
| • Transmission rate, max. | 12 Mbit/s |
| Protocols | |
| PROFIsafe | No |
| Number of connections | |
| • Number of connections, max. | 256; 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 | 128 |
| • Number of S7 routing paths | 16 |
| Redundancy mode | |
| • H-Sync forwarding | Yes |

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| Media redundancy | |
| — Media redundancy | only via 1st interface (X1) |
| — 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. 5 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 |
| OPC UA | |
| • Runtime license required | Yes; "Medium" license required |
| • OPC UA Client | Yes |
| — Application authentication | Yes |
| — Security policies | Available security policies: None, Basic128Rsa15, Basic256Rsa15, Basic256Sha256 |
| — User authentication | "anonymous" or by user name & password |
| — Number of connections, max. | 10 |
| — Number of nodes of the client interfaces, recommended max. | 2 000 |
| — Number of elements for one call of OPC-UA_NodeGetHandleList/OPC-UA_ReadList/C max. | 300 |
| — Number of elements for one call of OPC-UA_NameSpaceGetIndexList, max. | 20 |
| — 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, custom address space |
| — Application authentication | Yes |
| — Security policies | Available security policies: None, Basic128Rsa15, Basic256Rsa15, Basic256Sha256 |
| — User authentication | "anonymous" or by user name & password |

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| — GDS support (certificate management) | Yes |
| — Number of sessions, max. | 48 |
| — Number of accessible variables, max. | 100 000 |
| — Number of registerable nodes, max. | 20 000 |
| — Number of subscriptions per session, max. | 20 |
| — Sampling interval, min. | 100 ms |
| — Publishing interval, min. | 200 ms |
| — Number of server methods, max. | 50 |
| — Number of inputs/outputs per server method, max. | 20 |
| — Number of monitored items, recommended max. | 2 000; 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. | 5 000 |
| • Alarms and Conditions | Yes |
| — Number of program alarms | 200 |
| — Number of alarms for system diagnostics | 100 |
| Further protocols | |
| • MODBUS | Yes; MODBUS TCP |
| Isochronous mode | |
| Equidistance | Yes |
| S7 message functions | |
| Number of login stations for message functions, max. | 64 |
| Program alarms | Yes |
| Number of configurable program messages, max. | 10 000; Program messages are generated by the "Program_Alarm" block, ProDiag or GRAPH |
| Number of loadable program messages in RUN, max. | 5 000 |
| Number of simultaneously active program alarms | |
| • Number of program alarms | 1 000 |
| • Number of alarms for system diagnostics | 200 |
| • Number of alarms for motion technology objects | 160 |
| Test commissioning functions | |
| Joint commission (Team Engineering) | Yes; Parallel online access possible for up to 8 engineering systems |
| Status block | Yes; Up to 8 simultaneously (in total across all ES clients) |
| Single step | No |
| Number of breakpoints | 8 |
| Status/control | |
| • Status/control variable | Yes |
| • Variables | Inputs/outputs, memory bits, DBs, distributed I/Os, timers, counters |
| • Number of variables, max. | |
| — of which status variables, max. | 200; per job |
| — of which control variables, max. | 200; per job |
| Forcing | |
| • Forcing | Yes |
| • Forcing, variables | Peripheral inputs/outputs |
| • Number of variables, max. | 200 |
| Diagnostic buffer | |
| • present | Yes |
| • Number of entries, max. | 3 200 |
| — of which powerfail-proof | 500 |
| Traces | |
| • Number of configurable Traces | 4; Up to 512 KB of data per trace are possible |
| 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 |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of available Motion Control resources for technology objects | 2 400 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required Motion Control resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — per speed-controlled axis — per positioning axis — per synchronous axis — per external encoder — per output cam — per cam track — per probe • Positioning axis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Number of positioning axes at motion control cycle of 4 ms (typical value) — Number of positioning axes at motion control cycle of 8 ms (typical value) | 40 80 160 80 20 160 40 7 14 |
| Controller <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PID_Compact • PID_3Step • PID-Temp | Yes; Universal PID controller with integrated optimization Yes; PID controller with integrated optimization for valves Yes; PID controller with integrated optimization for temperature |
| Counting and measuring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-speed counter | Yes |
| Ambient conditions | |
| Ambient temperature during operation | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • horizontal installation, min. • horizontal installation, max. • vertical installation, min. • vertical installation, max. | -25 °C; No condensation 60 °C; Display: 50 °C, at an operating temperature of typically 50 °C, the display is switched off -25 °C; No condensation 40 °C; Display: 40 °C, at an operating temperature of typically 40 °C, the display is switched off |
| Ambient temperature during storage/transportation | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • min. • max. | -40 °C 70 °C |
| Altitude during operation relating to sea level | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — LAD — FBD — STL — SCL — GRAPH | Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes |
| Know-how protection | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • User program protection/password protection • Copy protection • Block protection | Yes Yes Yes |
| Access protection | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • protection of confidential configuration data • Password for display • Protection level: Write protection • Protection level: Read/write protection • Protection level: Complete protection | Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes |
| programming / cycle time monitoring / header | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lower limit • upper limit | adjustable minimum cycle time adjustable maximum cycle time |
| Dimensions | |
| Width | 70 mm |
| Height | 147 mm |
| Depth | 129 mm |
| Weights | |
| Weight, approx. | 845 g |
| last modified: | 4/1/2022  |