800 W to 4500 W, Tier 1, Local Edge Solution, 50 Hz

Introduction

APC by Schneider Electric provides physical infrastructure and monitoring software to support Local Edge Computing. Micro Data Center Reference Designs are hardware and software solution that can be used as a starting point to design customers’ Local Edge Computing Infrastructure. The Reference Designs can be customized by adding or deleting items off from the architecture to address specific customer needs.

Micro Data Center Reference Designs consist of an enclosure, a battery backup (UPS), rack Power Distribution Unit (rPDU), cooling, physical security (temperature and humidity sensor, rack door access, and/or camera), monitoring software (EcoStruxure™ IT).

Micro Data Center Reference Designs are in the Local Edge Configurator (LEC) in the APC by Schneider Electric’s Design Portal website. The Design Portal is currently accessible to certified partners and Schneider Electric internal employees (Sales rep) only. This design summary showcases the architecture of eight Micro Data Center Reference Designs that are specifically designed for Europe and other areas with 50 Hz electrical frequency system.
Micro Data Center System Overview

Micro Data Center consists of hardware and software components to support the Local Edge Computing Infrastructure.

The physical infrastructure includes an enclosure, battery backup (UPS), rack Power Distribution Unit (rPDU), as well as NetBotz to support physical/rack security and additional hardware such as EcoStruxure IT Gateway appliance/hardware and 8-port switch to support the monitoring software (EcoStruxure IT Expert).

Note: The 8-port unmanaged switch should be purchased separately. Recommended third party switch: Netgear F108NA and purchase according to each country’s electrical system specifications.

Eight Micro Data Center Reference Designs

There are eight different Micro Data Center Reference Designs that have been designed specifically for Europe and other areas with a 50 Hz electrical frequency system. These Reference Designs vary by enclosure type, enclosure size, battery backup (UPS) size, and cooling capacity. For all the designs, the same package for the physical security (NetBotz), monitoring software (EcoStruxure) are offered.

One of the advantages of a Micro Data Center Reference Design is its flexibility. Items within the Reference Designs can be removed, increased in quantity, or new items be added to address specific customer needs.

See next figure on how each Reference Designs vary from each other.
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### IT
- Design 1
- Design 2
- Design 3
- Design 4
- Design 5

### Office
- Design 6
- Design 7
- Design 8

### ENCLOSURE
- **Type**
  - STANDARD ENCLOSURE (SX)
  - SOUNDPROOF ENCLOSURE (CX)
- **Height**
  - 24 U
  - 42 U
  - 12 U
  - 18 U
  - 24 U
- **Shock Packaging**
  - No

### BATTERY BACKUP (UPS)
- **Power**
  - 1.5 kVA
  - 3 kVA
  - 3 kVA
  - 5 kVA
  - 5 kVA
  - 1.0 kVA
  - 1.5 kVA
  - 3 kVA
- **Lead-Acid Option**
  - Yes
- **Lithium-Ion Option**
  - Yes
  - Yes
  - Yes
  - No
  - No
  - Yes
  - Yes
  - Yes

### rPDU
- **Type**
  - Switched

### COOLING
- **Included**
  - No
  - No
  - No
  - No
  - Yes
  - Yes
- **Type**
  - NetBotz 250 + Rack Door Access + Temp/Humidity Sensor
  - NetBotz 750 + Rack Door Access + Temp/Humidity Sensor + Camera

### PHYSICAL SECURITY (NetBotz)
- **STANDARD**
- **ADVANCED**

### MONITORING SOFTWARE
- **End-user or Partner**
- **ECOStruxure IT Gateway + ECOStruxure IT Expert**

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Categories for Micro Data Center Reference Designs

The Micro Data Center Reference Designs have been divided into two categories:

- **IT Category (Network Closet/Small Server Room)**
- **Office Category (Office and Commercial Space)**

Within each category, different reference designs are offered varying in enclosure size, power size (battery backup/UPS) and cooling capacity.

**IT Category (Network Closet/Server room)**

Micro Data Center Reference Designs within the “IT” category are recommended for the network closet and server room. These environments can be found anywhere from corporate headquarters to retail stores to warehouses. In these use cases, the room or environment that Micro Data Centers are in should be temperature controlled 24 hours a day, 7 days a week per ASHRAE standards.

**Office Category (Office and Commercial)**

Micro Data Center Reference Designs within the “Office” category is recommended for office and/or commercial usage. For example, these environments can be in a retail store front, bank branch, manager’s office, or IT office. In these use cases, the room or environment where the Micro Data Center will be located in might not be temperature controlled 24 hours 7 days a week per ASHRAE standards or might be a quiet zone that requires low noise levels, therefore, the soundproof enclosure (CX) is preferred. Additionally, these use cases will be in areas that require the Micro Data Center to provide enhanced physical security since it is located in a public space.

**Market Segments**

Some of the market segments for Micro Data Center Reference Designs are IT, Healthcare, Education, Finance, Retail, and Industrial customers which require local edge computing infrastructure.
Power

Protected power to the Micro Data Center is provided by the Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS).

The UPS helps to provide protection for electronic equipment from utility power blackouts, brownouts, sags, surges, small utility power fluctuations and large disturbances. The UPS also provides battery backup power for connected equipment (IT servers, switch, etc) until utility power returns to acceptable levels or until the batteries are completely discharged.

Some end-users/customers prefer longer runtimes; therefore, they can load the UPS at lower load to gain higher run time or all UPS selected in MDC are extended runtime capable. Meaning, they are compatible to add more batteries to gain higher run-time.

In addition, the customer/end-user also has capability to gracefully/safely shutdown IT equipment and servers in case of prolong power outage to protect them. An additional free software needs to be downloaded to customize the time until shutdown the equipment. The software program is called “Power Chute” by APC by Schneider Electric.

To download the “Power Chute” software, please visit: Power Chute

Criteria for Selecting UPS for Reference Design

The criteria for UPS selected in these reference designs are network connect ability (to connect to cloud or remote monitoring software), extended runtime capable, high power factor and minimum rack u-height space.

Battery Options

For specific power, there are two options of UPS per reference design: UPS with a lead-acid battery or lithium-ion battery.

Lead-acid: Lead-acid is traditional battery type used in UPS. By default, for all designs except Wall-Mount reference design has a UPS with lead-acid batteries.

Lithium-Ion: For some UPS, there is an option to upgrade to UPS with Lithium-Ion battery. Currently, in Europe, 1.5 kVA UPS is the only one able to upgrade to UPS Lithium-ion battery. However, as more options for UPS with different power level are released in NAM, they will come available in these reference designs.

Benefits of UPS with lithium-ion battery are low maintenance cost and fewer on-site services, longer battery life span (~10 years) versus lead-acid (3-5 years), smaller size and lighter weight, faster recharging time and it operates at higher temperatures without degradation compared to lead-acid battery.

For more information about Lithium-Ion visit
Overview on Benefits of Lithium-Ion UPS
White Paper on Battery Technology: Lead-Acid vs. Li-ion
**Electrical One-line Diagram**

The two figures below show the electrical distribution and the network connection in the Micro Data Center.

The rack Power Distribution Unit (rPDU) plugs to the battery backup (UPS). All the other devices and equipment such as NetBotz, the EcoStruxure IT gateway, the network switch, and the IT equipment will plug into the rPDU.

**Note:** There is only 1 rPDU per Micro Data Center reference design. There are two types of rPDU that can be found in Micro Data Center Reference Designs, either a 0 U (vertical) or 1 or 2 U (rack-mount) rPDU.
Cooling

For most of the Micro Data Center Reference Designs, cooling the IT equipment will rely on the building HVAC system or existing cooling units in the room. These designs provide perforated doors and/or fan ventilation to keep a uniform airflow through the enclosure. The passive fan cooling is included within the enclosure itself, in case of the NetShelter CX line of enclosures.

One of the Micro Data Center Reference Designs has an active cooling unit attached to it called InRow cooling. This system uses a specifically designed air containment system to provide active, precision cooling to the IT equipment. The InRow system has many benefits, including energy efficiency and ability to cooling higher density deployments.

To learn more about Micro Data Center with in-row & Air containment unit: InRow SC System (or visit APC website and search SKU# RACSC112E)

Calculation of Maximum IT Load (Watt)

For Micro Data Center Reference Designs with no passive or active cooling, the maximum total IT load is calculated using the battery backup (UPS) output power capacity (Watts). 200 W was reduced from the UPS output power capacity to calculate the total maximum IT load to compensate for the power usage by the physical security hardware (NetBotz) and monitoring software hardware (EcoStruxure IT gateway and the switch).

For Micro Data Center Reference Designs with passive cooling (fan) or InRow cooling, the maximum total IT load is limited by either:

1. The maximum heat rejection by cooling (passive or InRow cooling)
2. The output power capacity of the battery backup (UPS).

From those two scenarios, the lowest number was used to the calculate maximum total IT load. 200 W was reduced from the UPS output power capacity to calculate the total maximum IT load to compensate for the power usage by the physical security hardware (NetBotz) and monitoring software hardware (EcoStruxure IT gateway and the switch).
Physical Security (NetBotz)

NetBotz from APC by Schneider Electric protects the Micro Data Center from physical threats such as high temperature, humidity, and both malicious and unintentional access events.

In Micro Data Center Reference Designs, there are two packages for Physical Security (NetBotz):
- Standard
- Advanced

The standard physical security includes a keycard access control to the enclosure, a temperature/humidity sensor, door contact alarm sensors, and the NetBotz 250 intelligent device.

The advanced physical security includes a keycard access control to the enclosure, a temperature/humidity sensor, door contact alarm sensors, High Definition camera monitoring, and the NetBotz 750 intelligent device.

To learn more about NetBotz products go to:
NetBotz Introduction Video: Introduction to the NetBotz Product Line
Detail on NetBotz 250 & sensors: NetBotz 250 Brochure
Detail on NetBotz 750, sensors, camera: NetBotz 750 Brochure
Monitoring (EcoStruxure™)

Along with physical security, the end-user/customer can also purchase a monitoring software as well as management solution.

What is the Monitoring Software Offered by Schneider Electric?

For Edge solutions, the monitoring software by Schneider Electric is called “EcoStruxure IT Expert”. EcoStruxure IT Expert is a web interface software that can provide the end-user/customer with real-time monitoring, incident management, analysis and asset utilization.

To learn more about the advantages and features of EcoStruxure IT Expert please visit: [https://ecostruxureit.com/ecostruxure-it-expert/](https://ecostruxureit.com/ecostruxure-it-expert/)

Monitoring Software Managed by

Depending on who uses the monitoring software or manages the Edge Infrastructure (Micro Data Center), the end-user/customer has few options:

**End-user:** If the end user chooses to manage their Micro Data Centers themselves, they will need to purchase EcoStruxure IT gateway and license for a software subscription for “EcoStruxure IT Expert”. The software subscription can be purchased on yearly basis.

**Partner:** If the end-user/customer wants to hire a partner to manage their Micro Data Center for them, the same package as the end-user needs to be purchased. The Micro Data Center devices are connected through the EcoStruxure IT gateway and the partner version of the EcoStruxure IT Expert manages the Micro Data Center for them.

**Schneider:** For Europe, managed by Schneider option will not be available.
Local vs Cloud-Based Web Interface

All the Micro Data Center’s devices such as power UPS, rack power distribution unit (rPDU), NetBotz (physical security), are connected to a small switch so it can transfer the device data to the EcoStruxure IT Gateway hardware/appliance.

Any unmanaged 5-8 port 10/100 Mbps switch can be used. However, once a switch is selected, it cannot be used for any other purpose while it is serving as Micro Data Center switch. The Micro Data Center switch needs to be purposed separately.

Recommended third party switch: Net gear F108NA.

Once the switch is connected to the gateway, it then connects to the company’s network (Corporate LAN Network). From there, the customer/end-user has an ability to view MDC through two UI: local interface (EcoStruxure IT Gateway) or Cloud-based web interface (EcoStruxure IT Expert).

Each Micro Data Center reference design includes EcoStruxure IT gateway hardware/appliance. However, EcoStruxure IT gateway appliance is not purchased, the EcoStruxure IT gateway software can also be installed on another server. For more details visit: Setting up EcoStruxure IT Gateway
**Local Interface: EcoStruxure IT Gateway Interface**

Once the Micro Data Center’s EcoStruxure IT gateway hardware is connected to the corporate network, the end-user/customer can access EcoStruxure IT gateway’s software to view the Micro Data Center device status and information. The end-user/customer can only view this EcoStruxure IT gateway software if they are in the same network as the Micro Data Center’s EcoStruxure IT Gateway.

Example: The Micro Data Center can be connected in a lab and the end-user/customer can access/view the Micro Data Center’s device’s status and information from their desk.

**Cloud-based Web Interface: EcoStruxure IT Expert Web Interface**

The end-user/customer can also purchase a yearly software subscription for a cloud-based web software called EcoStruxure IT Expert. EcoStruxure IT Expert software uses the EcoStruxure IT gateway to pull the Micro Data Center devices’ information and display it in a website interface in EcoStruxureit.com. The software subscription is structured around the number of devices that the end-user/customer owns or wants to monitor.

If the end-user/customer has multiple Micro Data Center in multiple locations, EcoStruxure IT Expert is ideal as it aggregates all Micro Data Center device information using the EcoStruxure IT gateway from different locations and display in one web interface.

**Advantage of EcoStruxure IT Gateway (private and public ports)**

The EcoStruxure IT gateway has two connections/ports: a private port and a public port. All the Micro Data Center devices are connected to the private port, and the corporate switch/corporate LAN are connected to the public port.

The advantages of the EcoStruxure IT gateway having a private and public ports are two folds. One, the customer/end user only need one IP address per Micro Data Center instead of having multiple IP addresses for each Micro Data Center devices. Two, it created additional security for the Micro Data Center devices as now it can only be accessed through the EcoStruxure IT gateway.

To learn more about EcoStruxure IT Platform such as EcoStruxure IT Expert visit: What-Is-EcoStruxure-IT
To learn more about EcoStruxure IT Gateway: Online Help Center for EcoStruxure IT Gateway
Schneider Electric Life-Cycle Services

Get more information for this design:

Engineering Package
Every reference design is built with technical documentation for engineers and project managers. This includes engineering schematics (CAD, PDF), floor layouts, equipment lists containing all the components used in the design and 3D images showing real world illustrations of our reference designs.

Documentation is available in multiple formats to suit the needs of both engineers and managers working on data center projects.

Email referencedesigns@se.com to receive the Engineering Package for this design
## Design Attributes

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¹ To look up assembly drawing of MDC Self-containment unit with in-row cooling visit: APC website & search SKU: RACSC112E or check drawing
² Additional input power connection type might need to be purchased depending on the specific country in Europe and the outlet type.
³ For calculation on Total Maximum IT load, please look in Calculation of Maximum IT Load (Watt) in the Cooling section.