

OakGate Technology Announces M-Series, the Industry's First Multi-protocol Modules for Test Appliances

With built-in power-cycling and power-management capabilities, the M-Series modules support full-functionality testing within OakGate test appliances for up to four 2.5 inch NVMe, SAS and SATA SSDs

Loomis, California, August 6, 2016 — OakGate Technology, the industry leader in advanced, high-performance test solutions for flash storage, announced the industry's first multi-protocol modules for use with popular OakGate test appliances. Designed to plug into OakGate's expandable desktop or 3U rack-mount appliances, the M-Series (MU401/MU402) modules can accommodate up to four 2.5 inch NVMe, SAS or SATA solid state drives using a U.2 (SFF-8639) connector. Customer shipments of the M-Series modules have already begun.

“OakGate has become *the* test platform of choice for development environments at most major SSD, storage system and flash controller suppliers. The M-Series modules represent the latest in a series of innovations we have brought to the OakGate test platform over the years,” stated Bob Weisickle, founder and CEO of OakGate Technology. “In addition to providing a compact test vehicle that can exercise full functionality of our legendary Storage Validation Framework (SVF) software suite, the M-Series modules incorporate power cycling and power measurement capabilities for all popular protocols, including NVMe,” added Mr. Weisickle.

OakGate's M-Series modules have already been deployed by some of the industry's largest suppliers of SSD and flash storage products worldwide. The MU401 is designed for single-port SSDs, whereas the MU402 supports dual-port drives. These modules fit within the dual-optical drive cavity on the expandable desktop and 3U rack-mount appliances. The M-series modules have built-in hardware that enable the user to toggle and measure power on each individual drive through the SVF graphical user interface (GUI). The M-Series module communicates with the appliance through the OakGate's PCIe Switch card that plugs into one of the PCIe slots on the motherboard.

“For the past several years, Myce has standardized on OakGate test platform for product reviews. We have been very impressed with the advanced functionality, flexibility and capabilities built into OakGate's SVF software suite and appliances,” said Jeremy Reynolds, Enterprise Storage Reviews Editor at Myce.com, the world's largest online computer storage community that enables professionals to connect, interact and share their knowledge of storage products. “We have already deployed OakGate's new M-Series modules and are very excited about conducting

our popular SSD product reviews within a single OakGate appliance and add power testing capabilities as well” added Mr. Reynolds.

OakGate will be demonstrating M-Series modules at the 2016 Flash Memory Summit being held at the Santa Clara Convention Center in Santa Clara, CA from August 9 through 11. The demonstration will take place at OakGate’s booth #815. Please contact OakGate for further information, pricing, and availability of the M-Series modules.

About OakGate Technology

OakGate Technology Inc. (www.oakgatetech.com) is a leading provider of test, validation, and benchmarking test platform to the storage industry. The privately held company is a recognized leader in test and validation tools for solid state storage. OakGate’s highly-capable and flexible platforms support all popular storage protocols and are based on advanced, proprietary software, and industry standard hardware. OakGate’s products have been deployed by top tier components suppliers, drive manufacturers, and storage system OEMs worldwide. Based in Loomis, California, OakGate Technology was founded in 2008 by industry veterans from storage and server industries.

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