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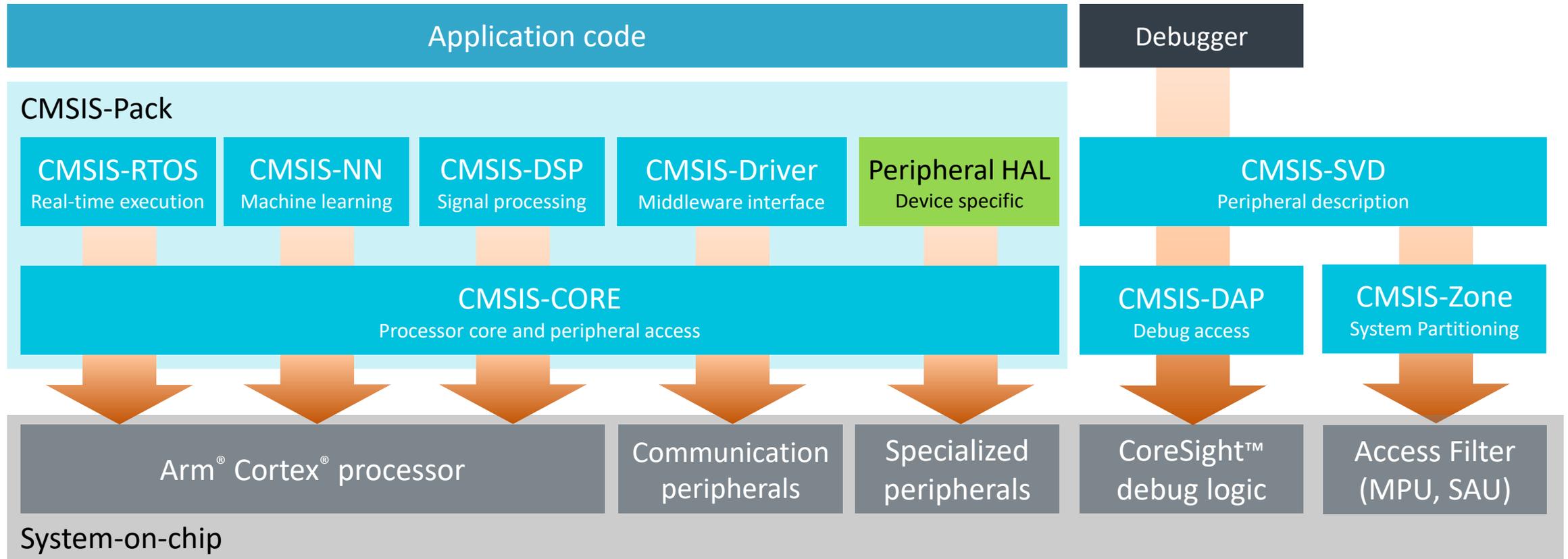
# Agenda

- CMSIS Overview
- CMSIS-Zone for system configuration (Multi-core, TrustZone, MPU)
- New IP support for Cortex-M55 and improvements for DSP and Machine Learning
- An open approach for IoT on Cortex-M using software components
- CMSIS-Driver – WiFi and validation tests
- CMSIS and PSA / TF-M - Security Foundation for Cortex-M TrustZone
- CMSIS-Build - Productivity for complex software templates
- Summary, Actions, Roadmap

# CMSIS 5



Consistent software framework for Arm Cortex-M and Cortex-A5/A7/A9 based systems



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CMSIS-Zone

Configure multi-core, TrustZone and MPU

# CMSIS-Zone: Device Hardware Configuration

Supports multi-processor systems, TrustZone, and MPU setup



Partition a multi-processor system into single processor views

Setup memory and peripherals for secure/non-secure environment

Generate consistent configuration

- Setup for the Armv8-M TrustZone (SAU, Interrupt assignment to Secure/Non-Secure)
- Setup of device specific Memory Protection Controller (MPC)
- Setup of device specific Peripheral Protection Controller (PPC)
- Generate related linker configuration to ensure consistency

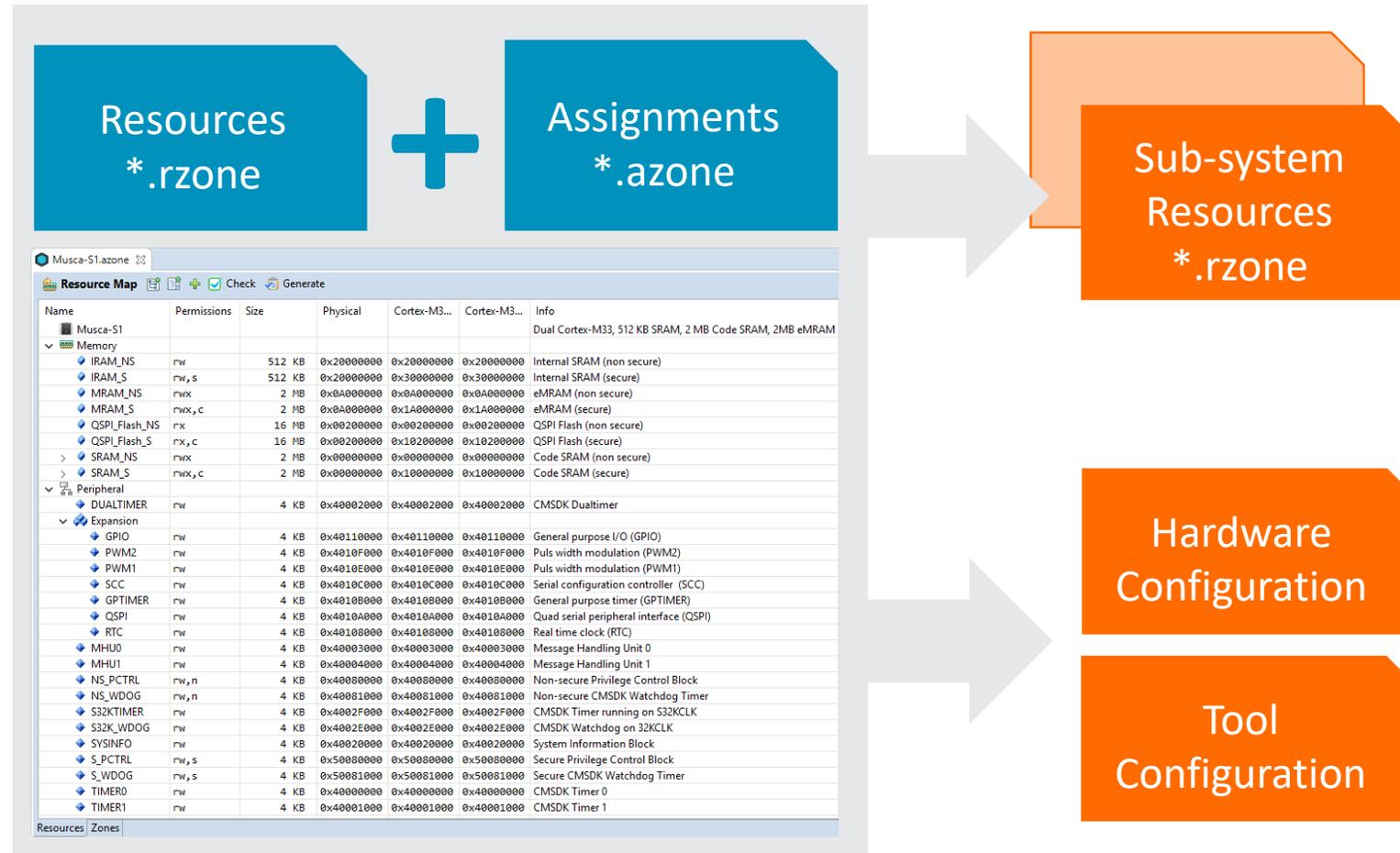
Solves the alignment requirements for MPU on Armv7-M

- MPU descriptors are optimized and located with alignment requirements

→ [Learn more about device configuration with CMSIS-Zone](#)

# CMSIS-Zone – Development Workflow

Configuration and build management for system resources



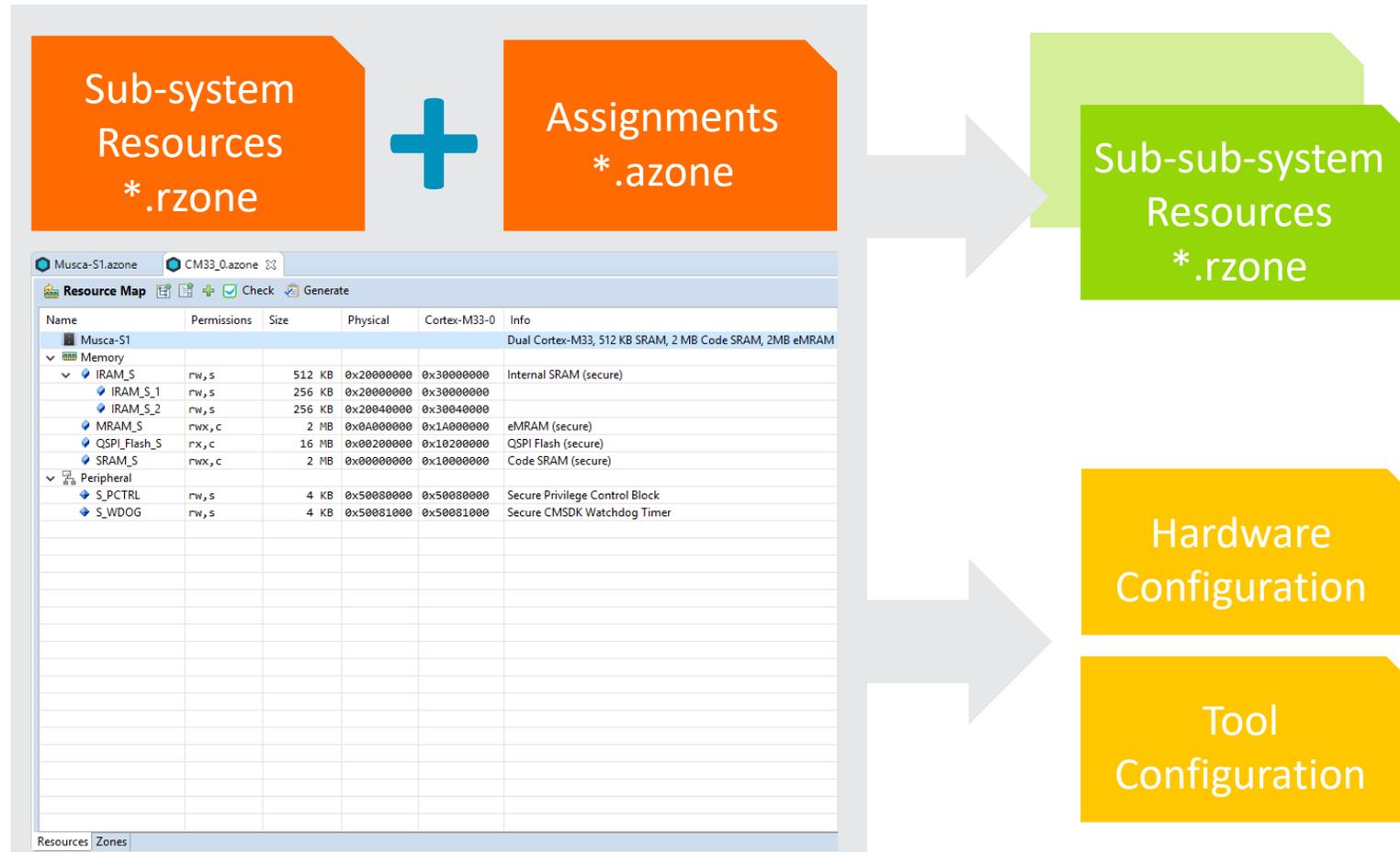
- Resource \*.rzone file lists all available systems resources.

- Assignment \*.azone file contains partitioning information and is managed by CMSIS-Zone tool

- CMSIS-Zone tool generates sub-system resource files

# CMSIS-Zone – Development Workflow

Multi-step approach shows only relevant sub-system

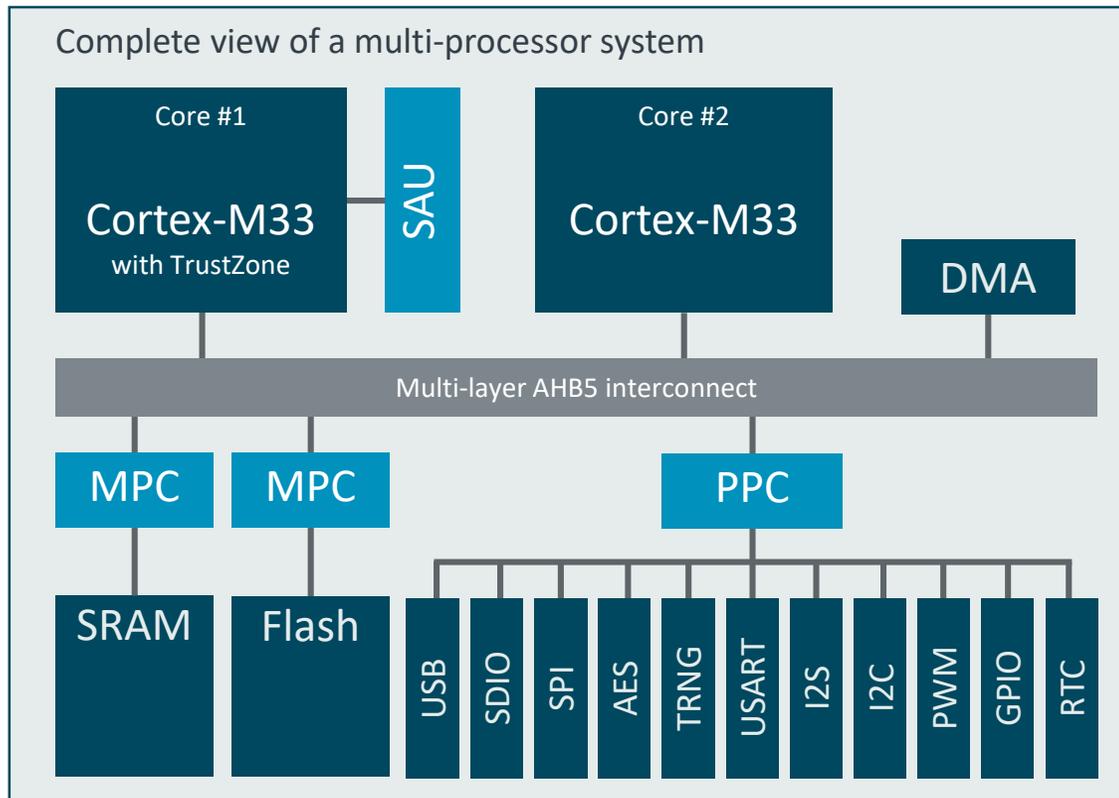


- It is possible to break down complexity of a system in multiple steps.
- Sub-systems expose only the part of the system that is relevant for the user.
- A sub-system user has no visibility to other parts of the system (as it typically configures also the related access protection).

# Configuration Steps

## Example

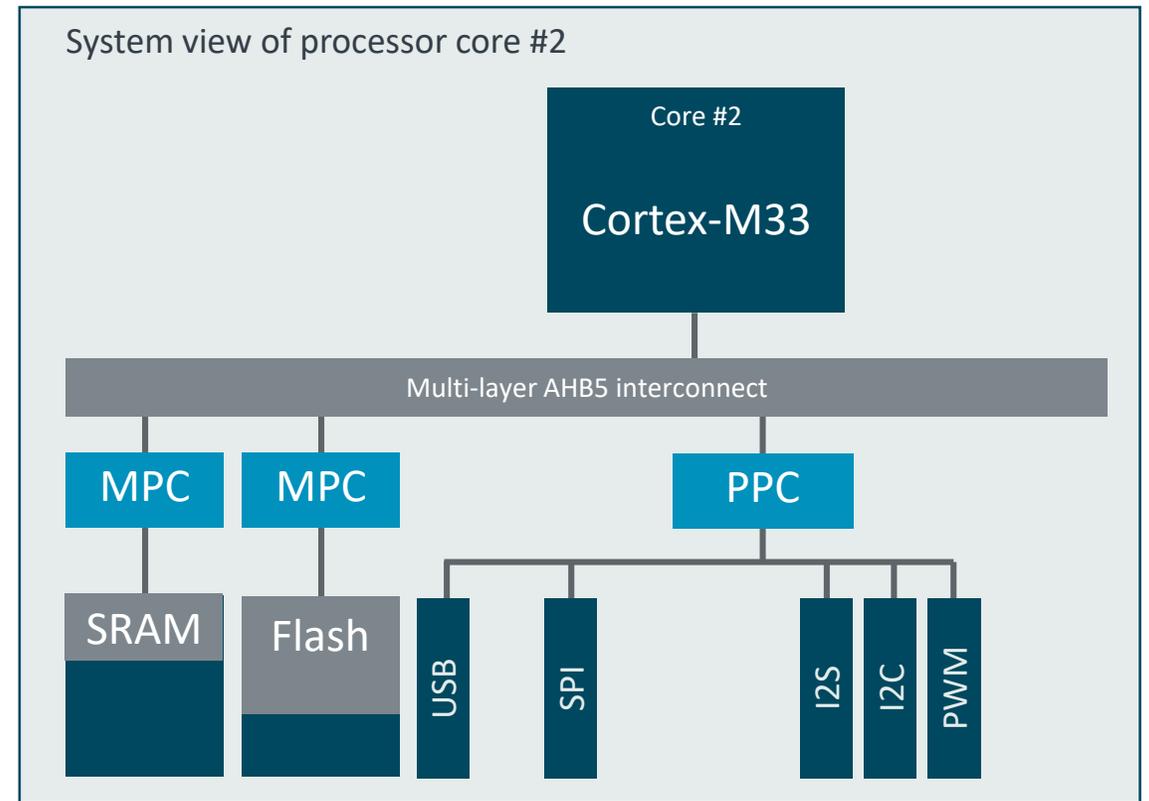
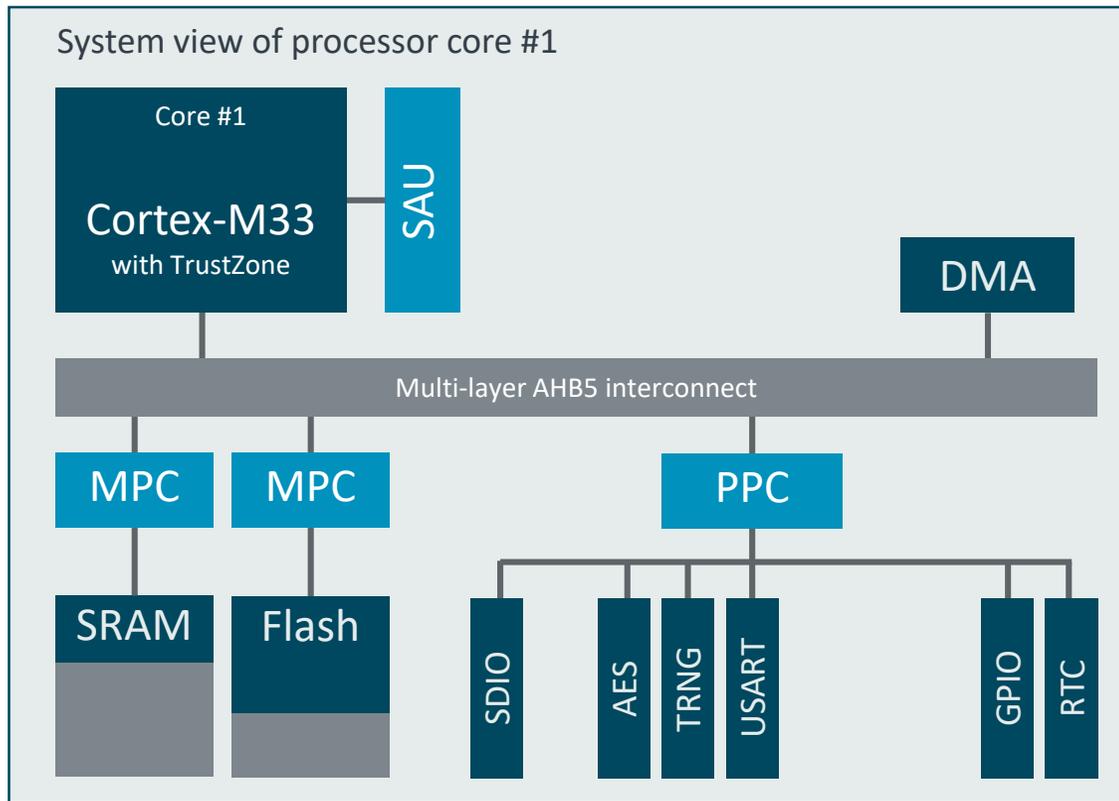
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# Configuration Steps

## Example

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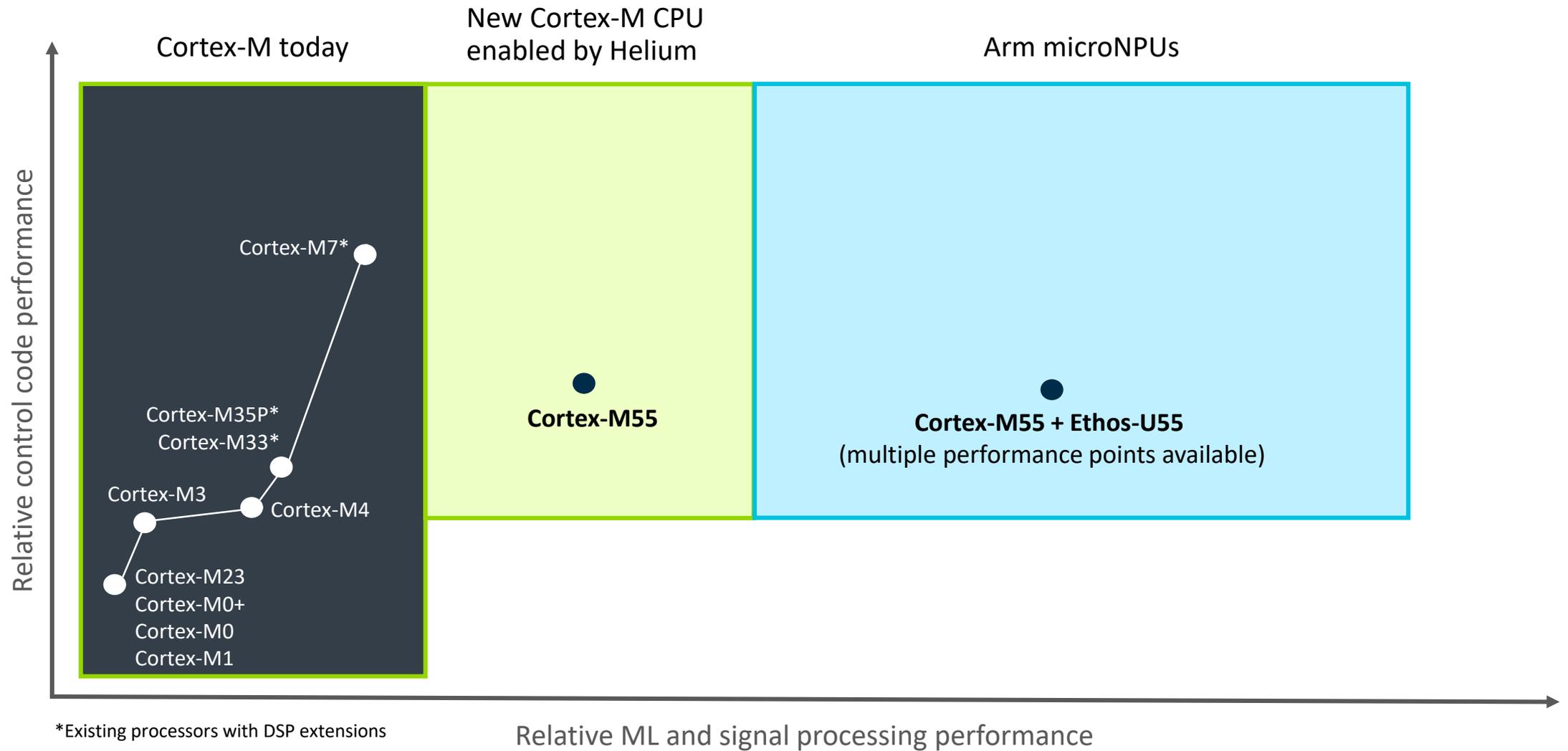
Step 2: create the partitions for secure and non-secure execution



# New Arm IP Support Cortex-M55

**Software Support for latest Arm IP**

# Cortex-M processor portfolio covered by CMSIS



# Key Algorithms for Signal Processing and ML

## Armv8.1-M and Helium technology

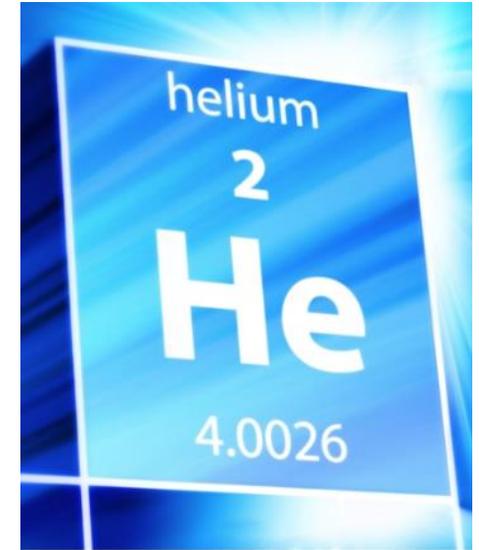
The key algorithms for signal processing and ML are:

- **Complex dot-product** (convolution, correlators).
- **Fast Fourier Transform** (feature extraction, beamformer)
- **Neural-Networks** (matrix multiplications with bytes)
- **Biquad filter** (equalizers, noise filtering)

**Armv8.1-M architecture** is optimized for those algorithms.

With **performance boost** from 3 to 17 compared to M4, from 2 to 8 compared to M7.

CMSIS-DSP is fully ported to SIMD for Cortex-M family (Armv8.1-M) and Cortex-A with NEON, using the same APIs.



# Plans

## Preserve your R&D investments

### CMSIS DSP/ML kernels :

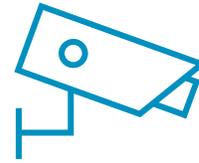
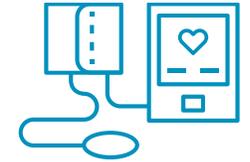
- Grow the number of DSP/ML kernels, with **software portability** in mind: preserve your software R&D investments along any processor of the Arm portfolio
- Add important DSP kernels (fp64, fp16, math, 2D, logical, sorting, Kalman, interpolation)
- Invite a wider range of developers to contribute thanks to a **data-flow framework**
- **Classical-ML kernels** for constrained embedded markets :
  - SVM, Tree, PCA, mean/variance gaussian normalization, clustering by K-Means / LBG ..

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# An open approach for IoT on Cortex-M

**Create IoT Applications with  
ready-to-use software components**

IoT devices are different –  
how can we deploy  
IoT software stacks efficiently at scale?

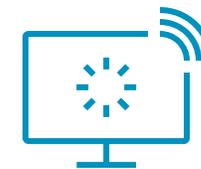


1 Trillion devices by 2035 =

~10 years

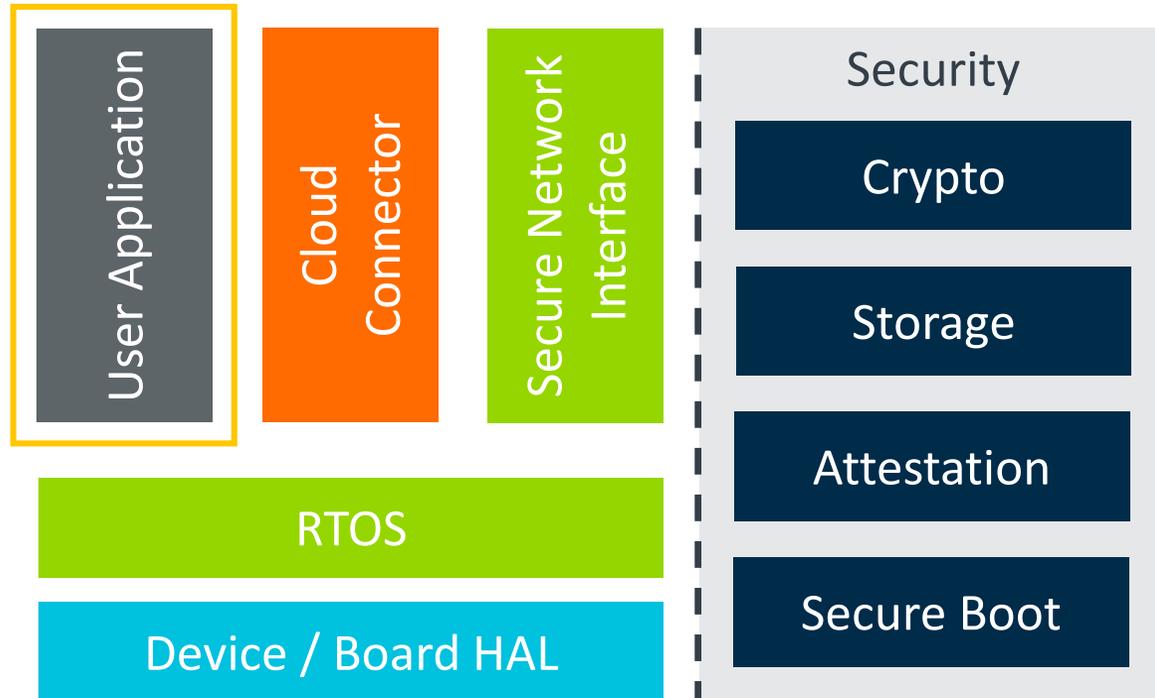
10 million units/year

10,000 bespoke designs



# An open approach for IoT on Cortex-M

Simplified view to the software building blocks for IoT endpoints



- **Device / Board HAL:** abstraction of processor and peripherals with hardware specific configuration
- **RTOS:** thread and resource management
- **Secure Network Interface:** encrypted internet connection using different interfaces (Ethernet, WiFi, ...)
- **Cloud Connector:** protocol interface to cloud provider
- **User Application:** bespoke functionality of endpoints

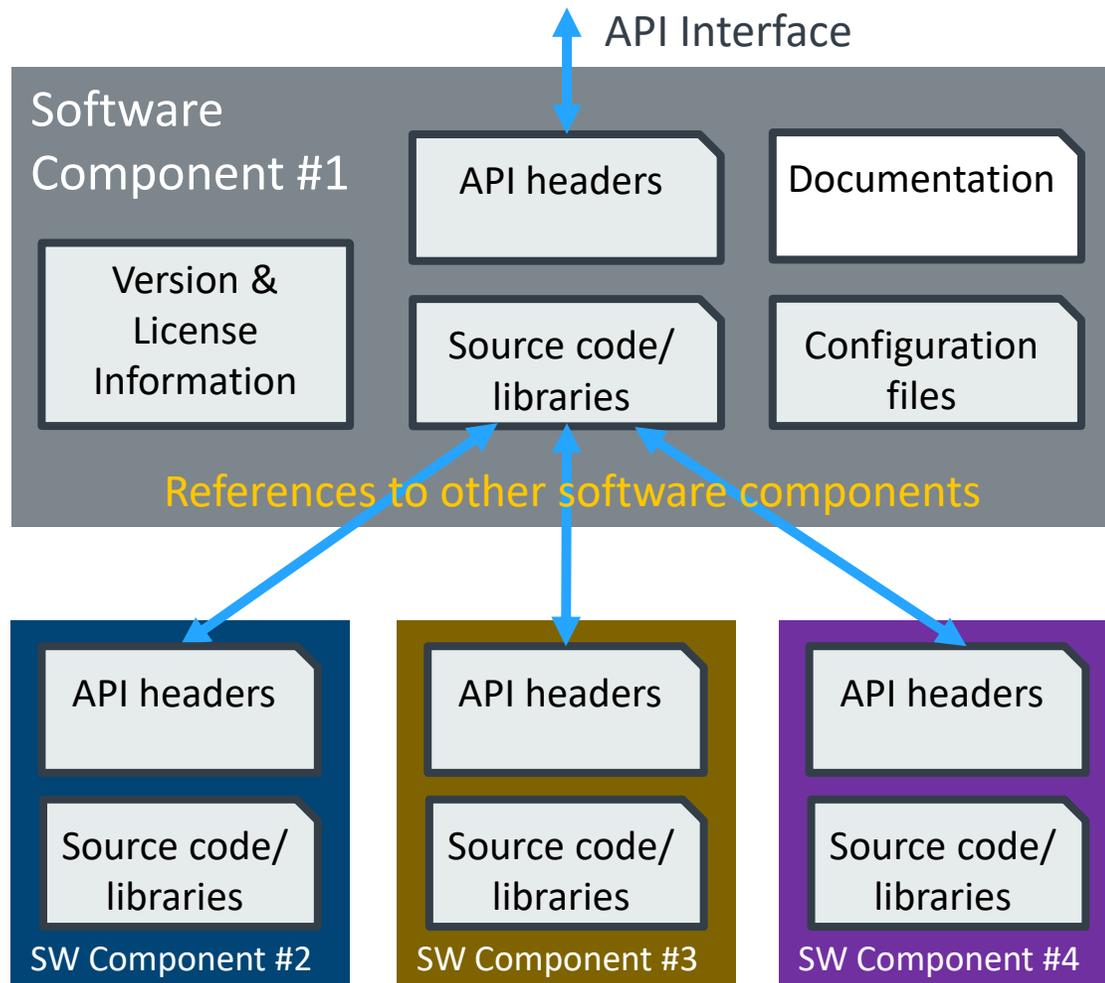
Security running on Secure Processing Environment:

- Crypto services and device identity

Combining various software building blocks effectively is enabled by the CMSIS-Pack system.

# CMSIS-Pack: What is a software component?

XML framed information used by project management utilities from various tools



**Software components** should have:

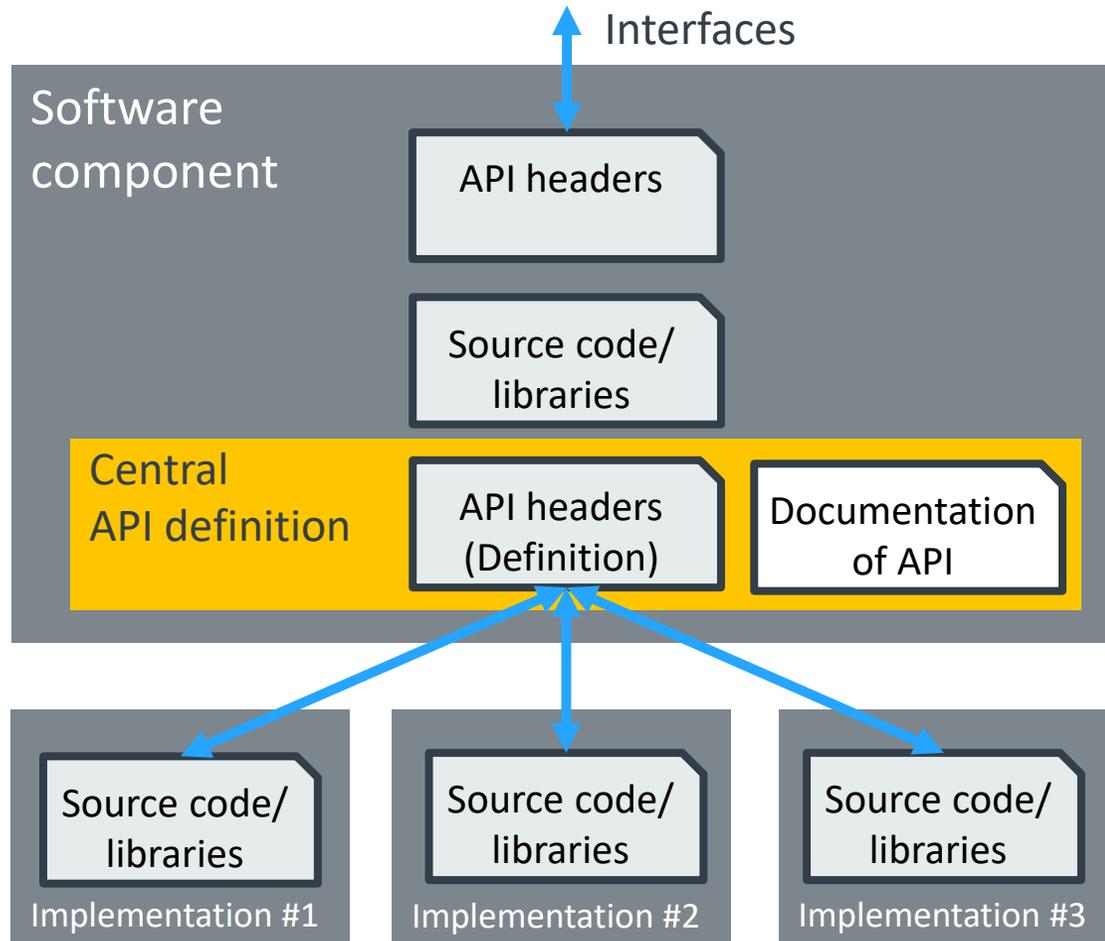
- Version and history information
- License information
- API interface definition
- Documentation
- Source files
- Configuration files (optional)
- Requirements to other components (optional)

**CMSIS-Pack framed software** is supported by:

- Mainstream IDEs: Arm DS, Keil MDK, IAR EWARM
- Silicon vendor tools: ADI, OnSemi, STCubeMX
- Several web portals
- Open-source and command-line build tools

# CMSIS-Pack: Central API Interface definition

Ensuring consistent interfaces across standard components



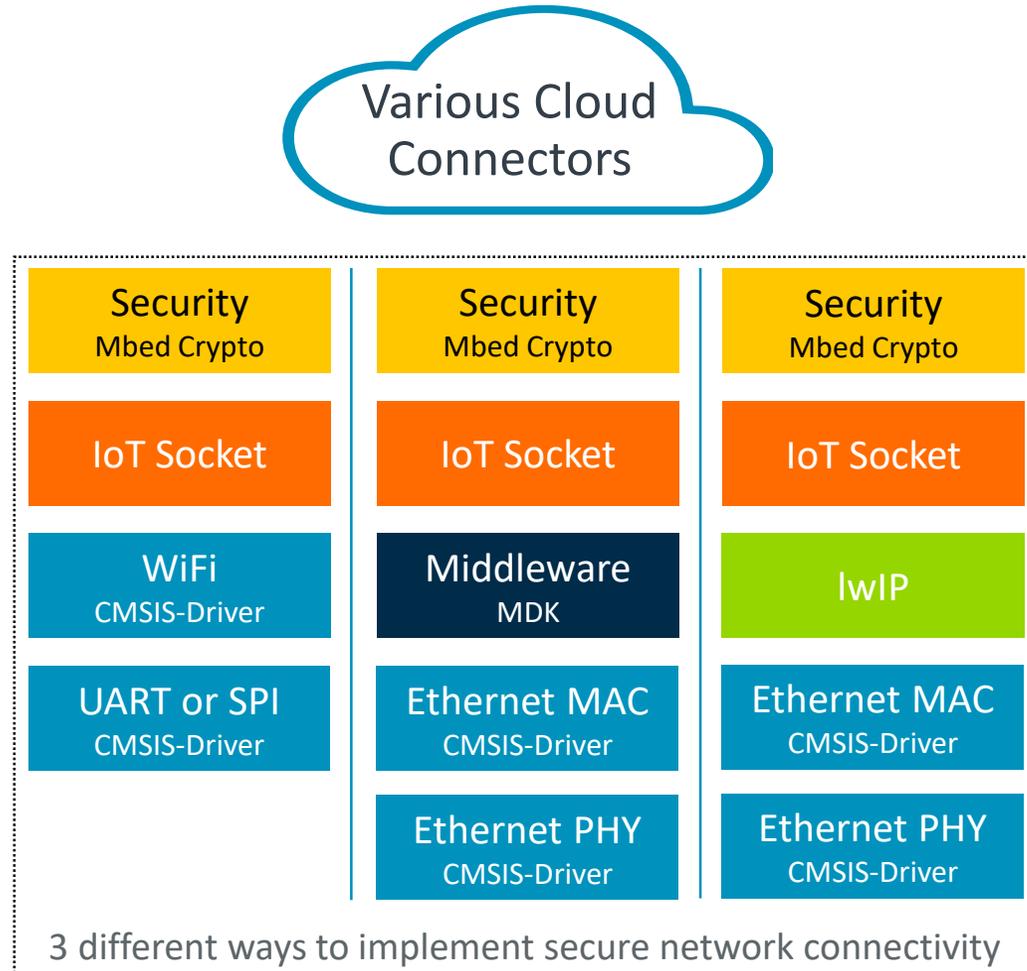
A common problem: API headers evolve over time.

- A central [API](#) definition shares header file and documentation of an [API interface](#) across multiple other software components to ensure consistency.
- The [API interface](#) is distributed separate or as part of the software component that defines this interface. The API header file is therefore consistent.
- An example is the [CMSIS-Driver pack](#) that contains various Flash, Ethernet and WiFi drivers – all compatible with the CMSIS-Driver APIs that are published in the CMSIS Pack.

→ [Learn how to create scalable software](#)

# Secure Network Interface – implementation choices

IoT devices need flexibility for implementing connectivity on Cortex-M



Available Cloud Connectors:



Mbed Crypto implements security

IoT Socket connects to networks with:

- CMSIS-Driver for WiFi implemented with various chipsets
- MDK-Middleware IP networking stack (wired or WiFi)
- LwIP open-source IP communication with wired Ethernet

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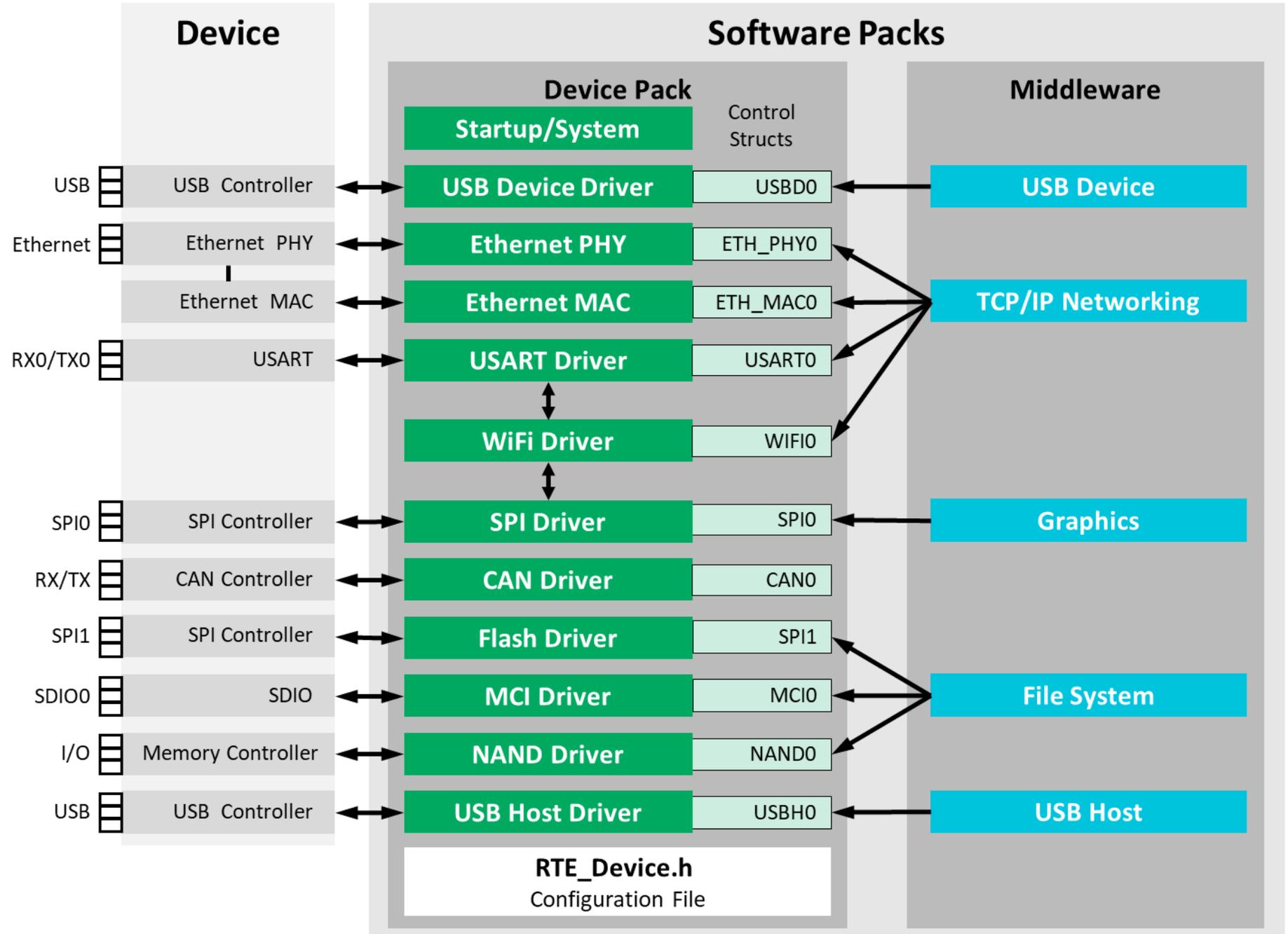
CMSIS-Driver

Generic Peripheral Interfaces

# CMSIS-Driver

Drivers provide the software interface to device peripherals and CMSIS-Driver define a consistent API.

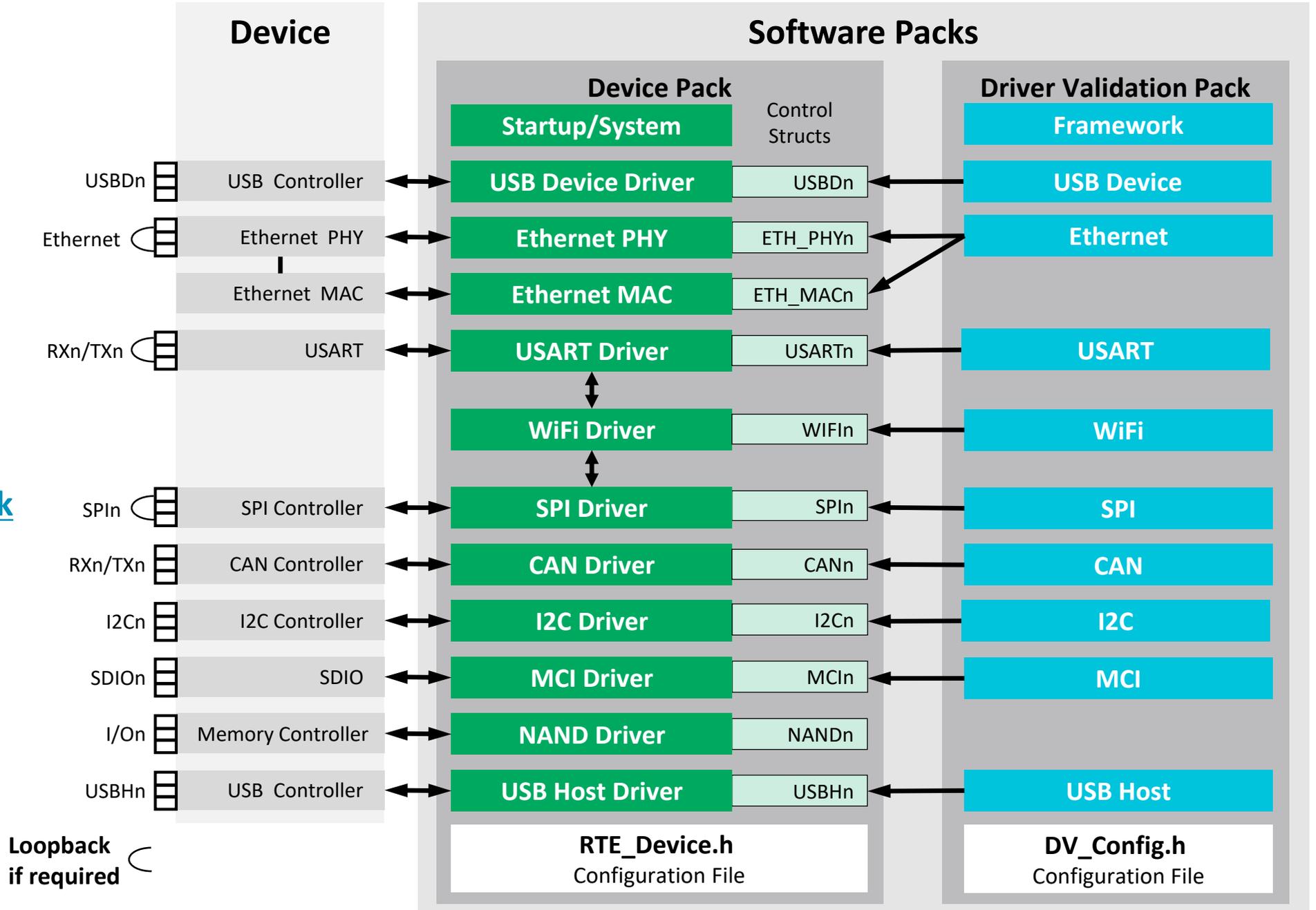
This allows re-use of various software components across different devices and makes software portable.



# Validation

Drivers can be configured, for example to use specific I/O pins or features like DMA.

To verify the driver setup, CMSIS offers a [Driver Validation Pack](#) that executes in your hardware. This ensures proper operation before running complex middleware on top.



# CMSIS-Driver + Validation

- Documentation:
  - Driver: [https://arm-software.github.io/CMSIS\\_5/Driver/html/index.html](https://arm-software.github.io/CMSIS_5/Driver/html/index.html)
  - Validation: [https://arm-software.github.io/CMSIS\\_5/Driver/html/driverValidation.html](https://arm-software.github.io/CMSIS_5/Driver/html/driverValidation.html)
- Packs (<https://developer.arm.com/embedded/cmsis/cmsis-packs>)
  - Driver: ARM:CMSIS Drivers for external devices (various WiFi, Ethernet PHY, etc.)
  - Driver: MDK-Packs:CMSIS WiFi Driver for Qualcomm QCA4002/4 based WiFi module
  - Driver validation: ARM:CMSIS-Driver\_Validation

→ [Learn about WiFi drivers and WiFi validation](#)

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CMSIS and  
PSA / TF-M

Security Foundation for Cortex-M TrustZone

# Platform Security Architecture

A complete security offering – openly published. Independently tested.

## Analyze

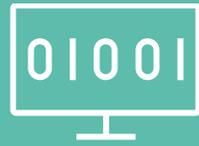


Threat models  
& security analyses



Methodically  
developed

## Architect

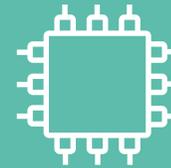


Hardware & firmware  
architect specifications



Open  
architecture

## Implement



Firmware  
source code



TF-M Reference  
implementation

## Certify



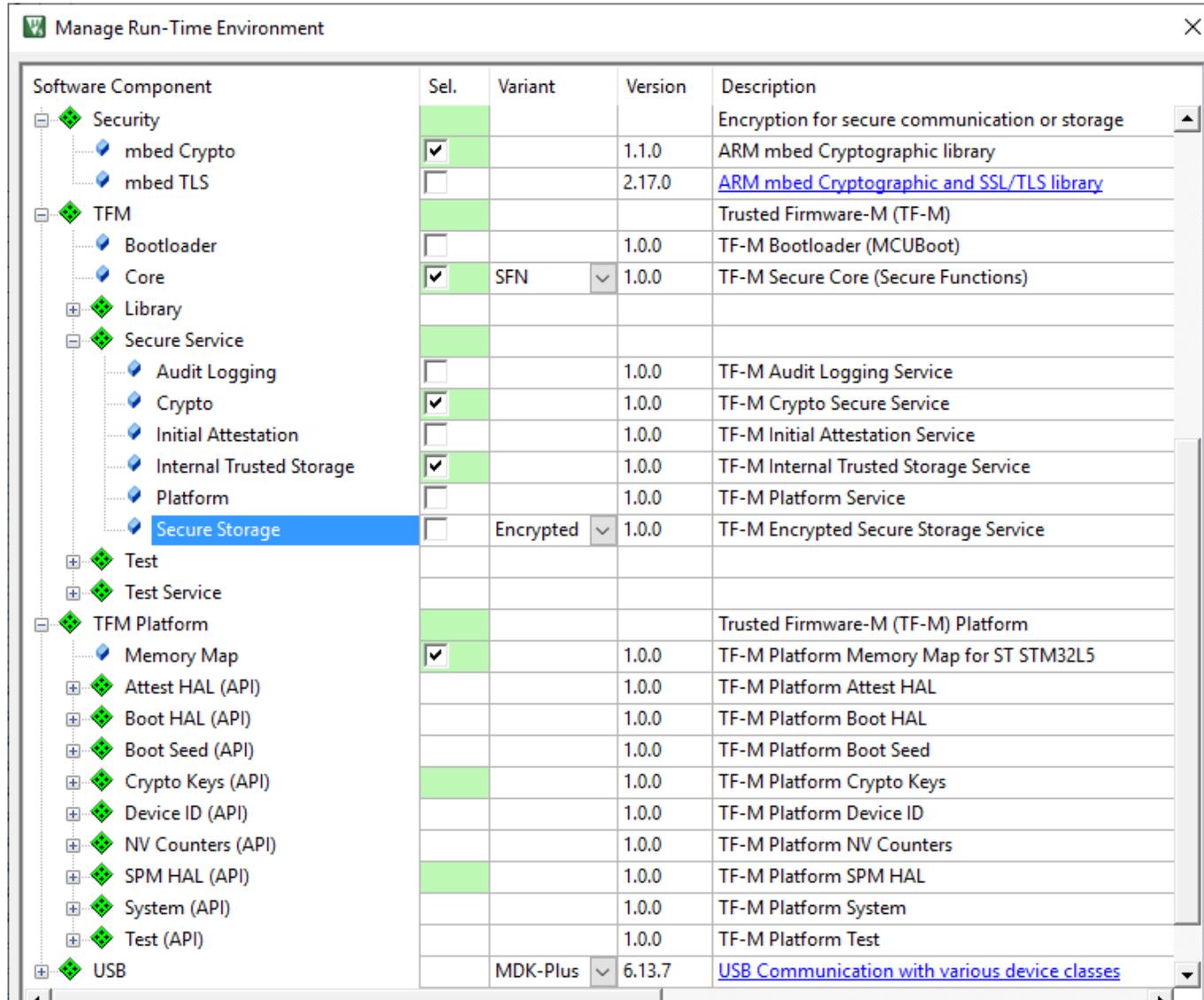
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Enabling  
trust

# TF-M framed as CMSIS-Pack – focus on Armv8-M

Published at <http://github.com/arm-software/CMSIS-TFM>



Software Component	Sel.	Variant	Version	Description
Security				Encryption for secure communication or storage
mbed Crypto	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		1.1.0	ARM mbed Cryptographic library
mbed TLS	<input type="checkbox"/>		2.17.0	<a href="#">ARM mbed Cryptographic and SSL/TLS library</a>
TFM				Trusted Firmware-M (TF-M)
Bootloader	<input type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Bootloader (MCUBoot)
Core	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SFN	1.0.0	TF-M Secure Core (Secure Functions)
Library				
Secure Service				
Audit Logging	<input type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Audit Logging Service
Crypto	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Crypto Secure Service
Initial Attestation	<input type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Initial Attestation Service
Internal Trusted Storage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Internal Trusted Storage Service
Platform	<input type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Platform Service
Secure Storage	<input type="checkbox"/>	Encrypted	1.0.0	TF-M Encrypted Secure Storage Service
Test				
Test Service				
TFM Platform				Trusted Firmware-M (TF-M) Platform
Memory Map	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		1.0.0	TF-M Platform Memory Map for ST STM32L5
Attest HAL (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform Attest HAL
Boot HAL (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform Boot HAL
Boot Seed (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform Boot Seed
Crypto Keys (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform Crypto Keys
Device ID (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform Device ID
NV Counters (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform NV Counters
SPM HAL (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform SPM HAL
System (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform System
Test (API)			1.0.0	TF-M Platform Test
USB		MDK-Plus	6.13.7	<a href="#">USB Communication with various device classes</a>

- Beta availability: 16. March 2020
- Pack Structure:  
**TFM** – Trusted Firmware-M reference implementation (contains both: secure + non-secure parts)

## TFM-Platform – device specific support

- TFM\_Platform\_LPC55S6x
- TFM\_Platform\_STM32L5
- .....

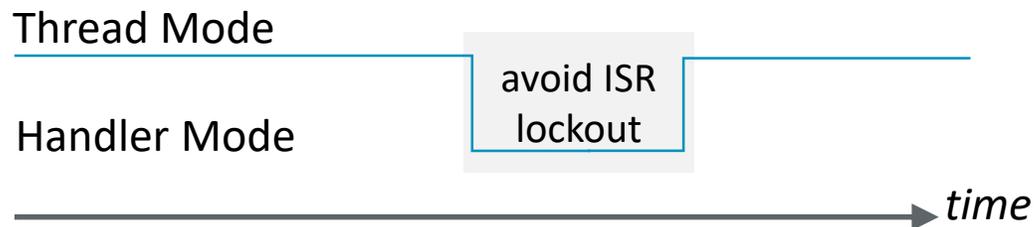
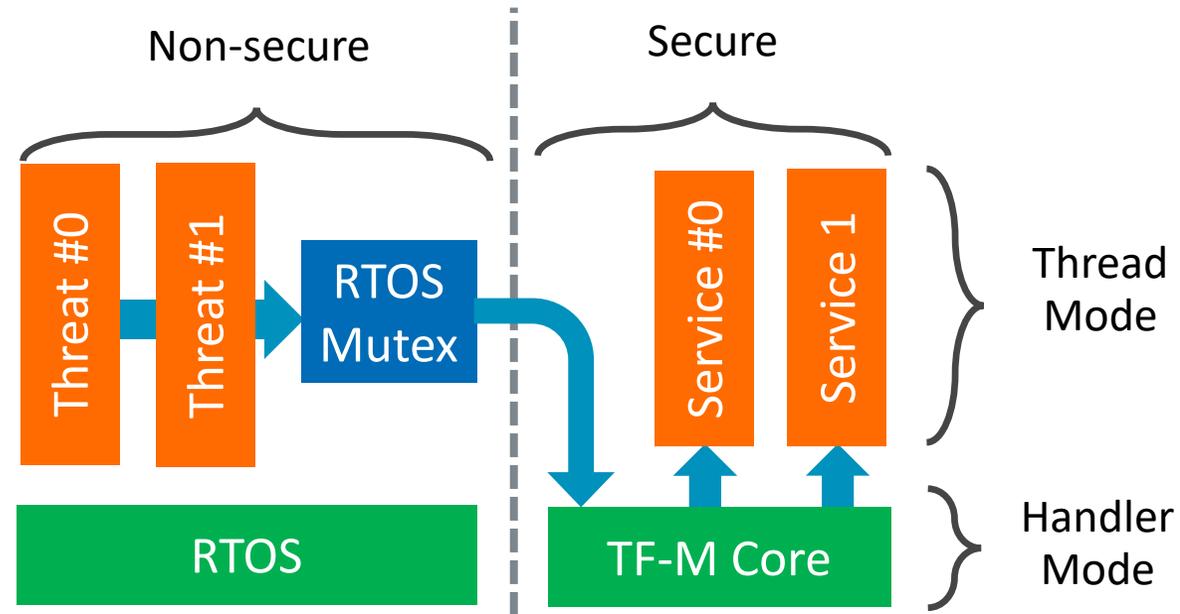
TFM Pack is synchronized with

<https://trustedfirmware.org/>

- Changes will be upstreamed

# TFM CMSIS Pack – optimize for efficiency on Armv8-M

Working with [trustedfirmware.org](https://trustedfirmware.org) team on overall simplification



- No special requirements on RTOS (no TZ context management)
- Prefer static configuration vs. dynamic run-time configuration
- Secure Function (SFN) calls instead of IPC
- Simplify MPU handling for isolation level 2 / 3
- Reduce overall memory footprint
- Support for device-specific boot loaders
- Event annotations instead of printf diagnostics
- Interrupt behavior under review (avoid ISR lock-out by carefully choosing SVC handler mode priority)

# TFM CMSIS Pack – Security setup with CMSIS-Zone

Define TF-M memory regions and peripheral access rights in three steps:

Name	Permis...	Size	Start	End	tfm_s	tfm_ns	Info
Memory							
Flash_NS	rx,n	512 KB	0x08000000	0x0807FFFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CODE_NS	rx,n	192 KB	0x08040000	0x0806FFFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non-secure FLASH for CODE execution
Flash_S	rx,c	512 KB	0x0C000000	0x0C07FFFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
CODE_S	rx,s	261376	0x0C000000	0x0C03FCFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secure FLASH for CODE execution
VENEERS	rx,c	768 B	0x0C03FD00	0x0C03FFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-secure callable FLASH for CODE execution
SST	rx,s	20 KB	0x0C070000	0x0C074FFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secure Storage Area
ITS	rx,s	16 KB	0x0C075000	0x0C078FFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Internal Trusted Storage Area
NV_COUNTERS	rx,s	4 KB	0x0C07F000	0x0C07FFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-volatile Counters
SRAM_NS	rw,n	256 KB	0x20000000	0x2003FFFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
DATA_NS	rw,n	128 KB	0x20020000	0x2003FFFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non-secure RAM for DATA section
SRAM_S	rw,c	256 KB	0x30000000	0x3003FFFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
DATA_S	rw,s	128 KB	0x30000000	0x3001FFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secure RAM for DATA section
Peripherals							
ADC							
DMA							Direct memory access controller
GPIO							General-purpose I/O Ports
GPIOA	rw	1 KB	0x42020000	0x420203FF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Port A
GPIOB	rw	1 KB	0x42020400	0x420207FF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Port B
GPIOC			0x42020800	0x42020BFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Port C
GPIOD			0x42020C00	0x42020FFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Port D
GPIOE			0x42021000	0x420213FF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Port E
GPIOF			0x42021400	0x420217FF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Port F
GPIOG			0x42021800	0x42021BFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Port G
GPIOH			0x42021C00	0x42021FFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Port H
I2C							
LPTIM							

## 1. Define in CMSIS-Zone:

- Memory regions for TFM
- Peripheral access rights

## 2. Select resource usage for:

- tfm\_s (secure side)
- tfm\_ns (non-secure side)

## 3. Generate setup files:

- partition\_gen.h (SAU / ISR assignment)
- mem\_layout.h
- SystemIsolation\_Config.c (MPC, PPC, security config)

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An open approach for  
IoT on Cortex-M

\*\*\* Demo \*\*\*

# An open approach for IoT on Cortex-M

- Arm takes a holistic view to the development cycle of IoT endpoint devices
- CMSIS provides the software interface standard for interoperability of software components

[www.arm.com/psa](http://www.arm.com/psa) - Platform Security Architecture to ensure ground up security in devices

[www.keil.com/iot](http://www.keil.com/iot) - Get started with cloud connectors on microcontrollers

Live  
demos



Hall4 - Stand 360  
IoT Security with TrustZone  
and TF-M on STM32L5

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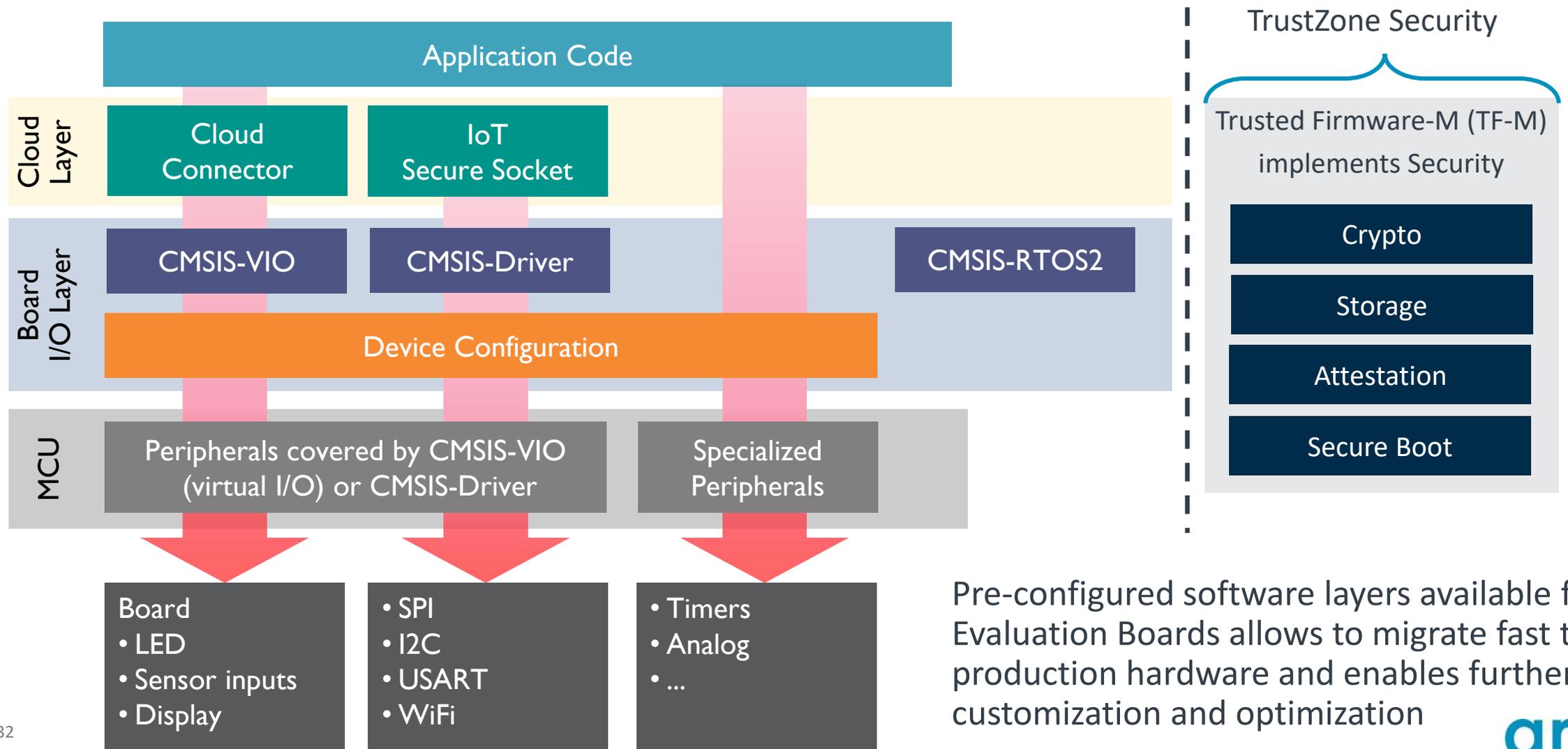
CMSIS-Build

## Productivity for complex software templates:

1. Software Layers for efficient code re-use
2. Generic project format
3. Continuous Integration (CI) workflow
4. Virtual I/O for fast migration from eval to production

# 1. Software layers group pre-configured software components

IoT for Cortex-M – move from eval kit to custom hardware; scale examples to many boards



Pre-configured software layers available for Evaluation Boards allows to migrate fast to production hardware and enables further customization and optimization

## 2. CMSIS – Generic Project Description (\*.cprj) Format

Migrate projects to different IDE; facilitate construction of projects from software layers

### Describes everything required for project build:

- CMSIS-Packs used by project for the selected software component
- Compiler toolchain including version (range) and essential command line options
- Hardware target information including device vendor, device name, enabled device features
- Software component selection and configuration file information.
- RTE folder containing preconfigured component configuration files.
- Project specific source code files

Export import to MDK and Eclipse CMSIS-Pack (basis for Arm DS, IAR EW-ARM, etc.)

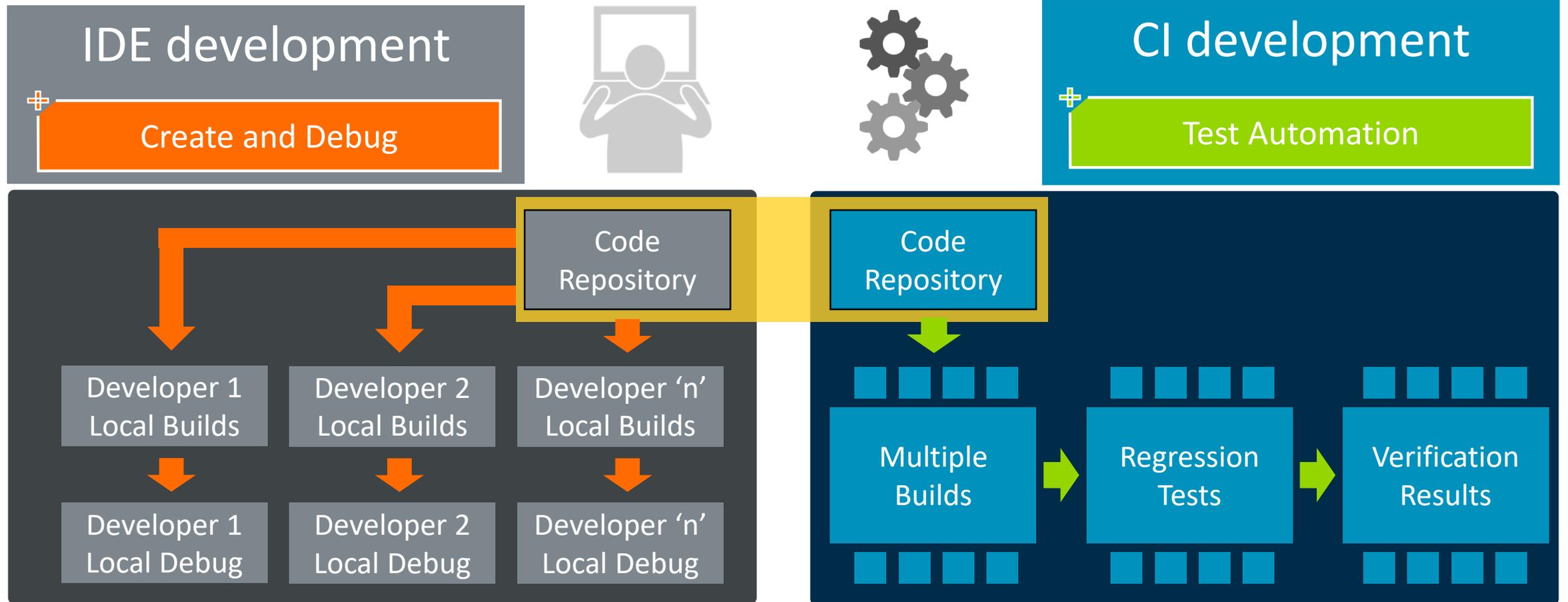
- MDK release: April 2020, Eclipse CMSIS-Pack release: July 2020

### Command-line tools for standard Make builds with \*.cprj based projects

- Supports automatic Software Pack upgrades including [ccmerge: Config File Updater](#)
- Construct projects from different software layers using the [cbuildgen: Build Process Manager](#)
- Version 1.0.0: Beta: April 2020, Release: July 2020

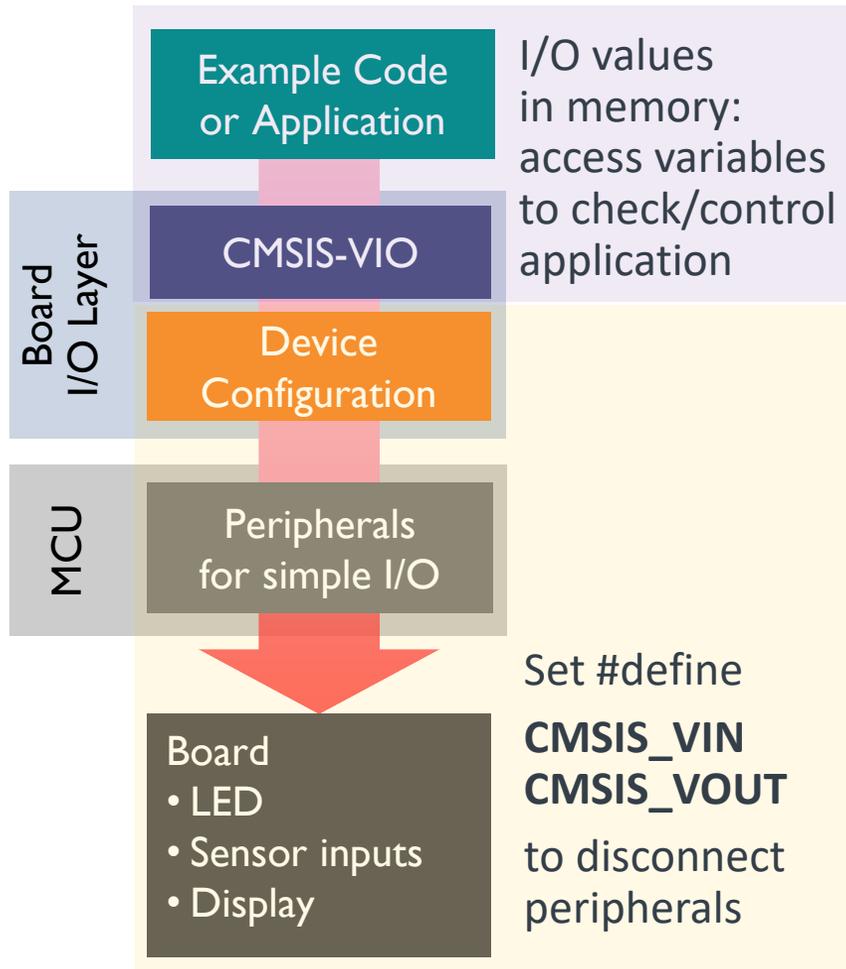
# 3. Continuous Integration (CI) workflow

IDE and CI development combined delivers better tested products faster



## 4. Virtual I/O provides generic API for examples and testing

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*Program examples help users to understand software faster, but are difficult to scale to many hundred evaluation kits.*

**CMSIS-VIO solves that problem with:**

- Consistent, simple interfaces to demo I/O peripherals
- Software simulation for peripherals that are not available

*Program examples are a great start for application programs, but demo I/O is not available in production hardware:*

**CMSIS-VIO solves that problem with:**

- #defines that disconnect the demo I/O

*Program examples and application programs needs testing:*

**CMSIS-VIO solves that problem with:**

- Variables accessible by test systems to control application

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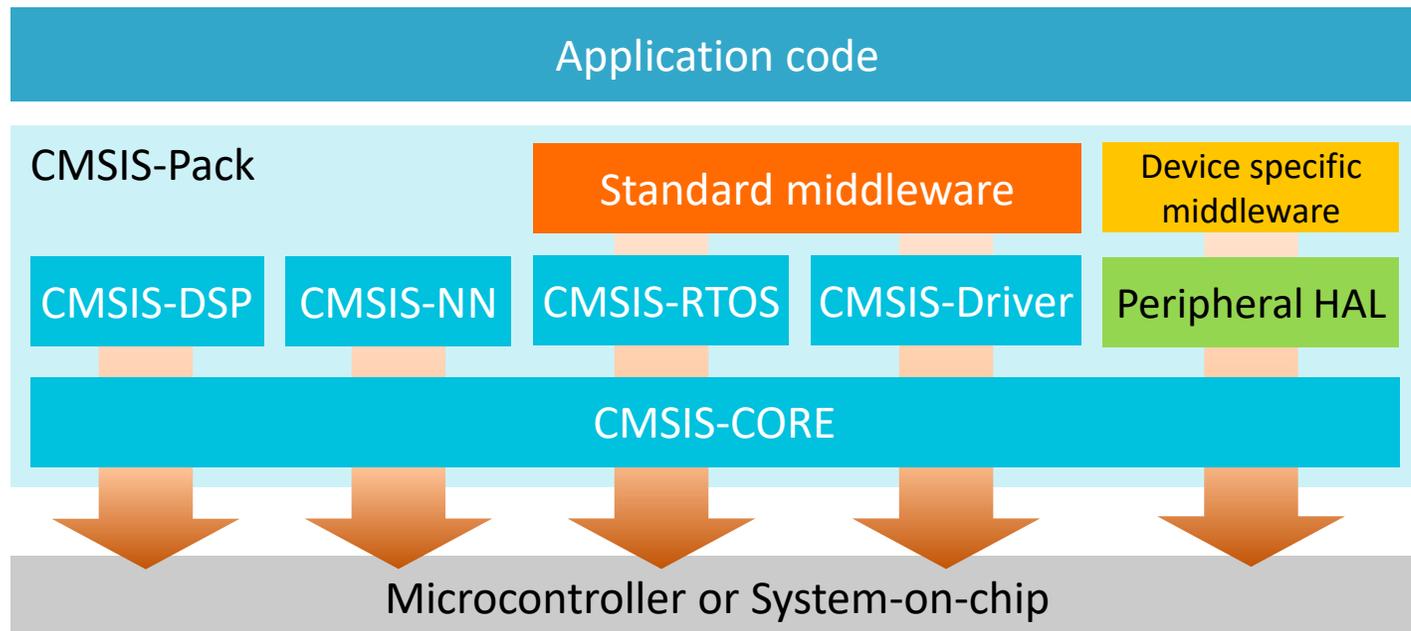
Summary  
and Actions

Collaborate with us

CMSIS timeline	Description	How you can contribute
Available already	WiFi driver implementations and <a href="#">IoT Connector</a> implementations	WiFi chip set vendor: <a href="#">add your own driver</a> Compiler vendor: <a href="#">adopt projects to your toolchain</a>
March 2020	TFM beta release framed as CMSIS-Pack with adoption instructions to Cortex-M23/M33 devices (to create a platform)	Review live repository on <a href="https://github.com/arm-software/CMSIS-TFM">https://github.com/arm-software/CMSIS-TFM</a> For compiler vendors, help us to make it compatible with your toolchain
April 2020	<b>CMSIS v5.7.0</b> release with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Core(M): Cortex-M55</li> <li>- enhanced DSP + ML libraries</li> <li>- CMSIS-Build (beta)</li> </ul>	Review live repository on <a href="https://github.com/arm-software/cmsis_5">https://github.com/arm-software/cmsis_5</a> Use ' <a href="#">Issues</a> ' to report problems or raise requests
May 2020	<b>CMSIS-Zone</b> v1.1 with enhancements and MPU compression for v7M	For chip vendors: <a href="#">add *.rzone files</a> for devices to <a href="https://github.com/arm-software/cmsis-zone">https://github.com/arm-software/cmsis-zone</a>
May / June 2020	<b>Tutorials</b> for IoT connectivity with TrustZone enabled devices	Tbd
Outlook	CMSIS-Build: final release and examples for the software layer concept CMSIS-DAP: Tooling for CMSIS-VIO control and Secure Debug CMSIS-Pack/SVD: better integration of CMSIS-Zone *.rzone files	



Consistent software framework for Arm Cortex-M and Cortex-A5/A7/A9 based systems



**Benefits for the software developer**

- Unified software interfaces
- Reduced learning effort
- RTOS-agnostic middleware
- Project and code templates
- Consistent APIs for device peripherals
- Software deployment and PLM

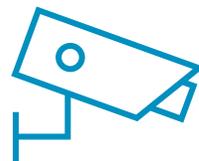
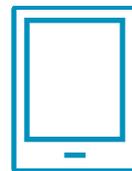
CMSIS supports the complete development flow (from eval to production) and system optimization

**Easy evaluation** with program examples for evaluation kits

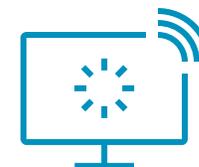
**Fast development** with ready-to-use software components and templates

**Reliable systems** with FuSa certified software components

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IoT software stacks efficiently at scale?



Using the techniques  
described in this  
presentation  
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Thank You

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