DESIGNING SECURE IOT DEVICES STARTS WITH A SECURE BOOT

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PROPER REARING FOR THE IOT EDGE NODE STARTS WITH A SECURE BOOT

Phishing scams perpetrated by re-purposing IoT end nodes is a real threat. A plan for the development, manufacturing and deployment stages of IoT edge nodes must be made. The complexities of life cycle management create a demanding environment where developers must make use of available resources to create the hardware, software, policies and partnerships used to achieve product goals. An essential component is protecting each device power up with a secure and trusted boot. This can be achieved with the right MCU hardware capabilities and ARM® mbed TLS. This webinar will introduce a life cycle management model and detail the steps for how to achieve a secure boot with NXP's ARM Cortex®-M based MCUs with mbed TLS cryptography support. A special guest from ARM will discuss new processors and architectures with ARM TrustZone® for ARMv8-M that will free time and resources for secure designs.

In this webinar, you will learn how to:

- □ Manage the life cycle of an IoT edge node from development to deployment
- □ Leverage hardware and software offerings available with the Kinetis MCU portfolio that can help you protect against attacks
- □ Ease the burden of secure IoT edge node development using new processors and architectures from ARM

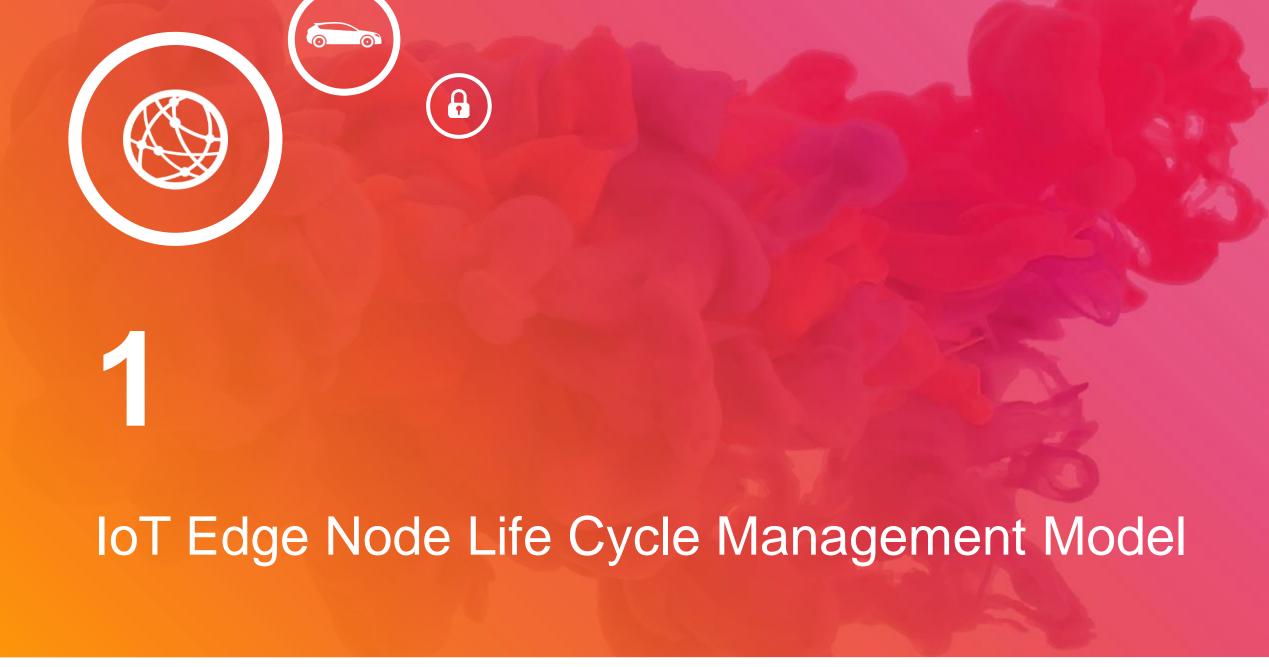




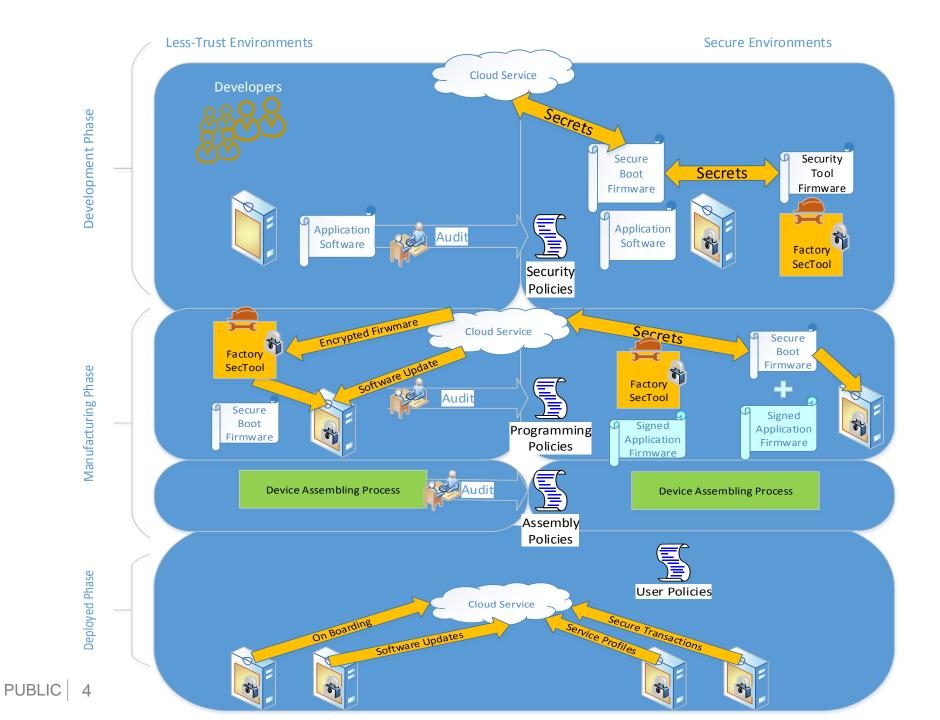
Agenda

- IoT Edge Node Life Cycle Management Model
- Secure Boot Architecture
 - NXP Kinetis MCU solution
 - Kinetis K28F MCU How To:
 - · Set Flash Block Protection
 - · Set Chip Security Level
 - mbed TLS
 - · Adding Relevant Source Code to KBOOT
 - · APIs Needed for Key Generation, Signatures and Verification
 - KBOOT Tools
 - Boot Directive file
 - Using ElfToSB
 - Using Blhost
- Portability
 - Moving to Other Targets
- ARMv8-M: What the future will bring
 - New Capabilities to Make Secure Designs Ecosystem and Developer Friendly
 - Improved Developer Productivity and Higher Energy Efficiency





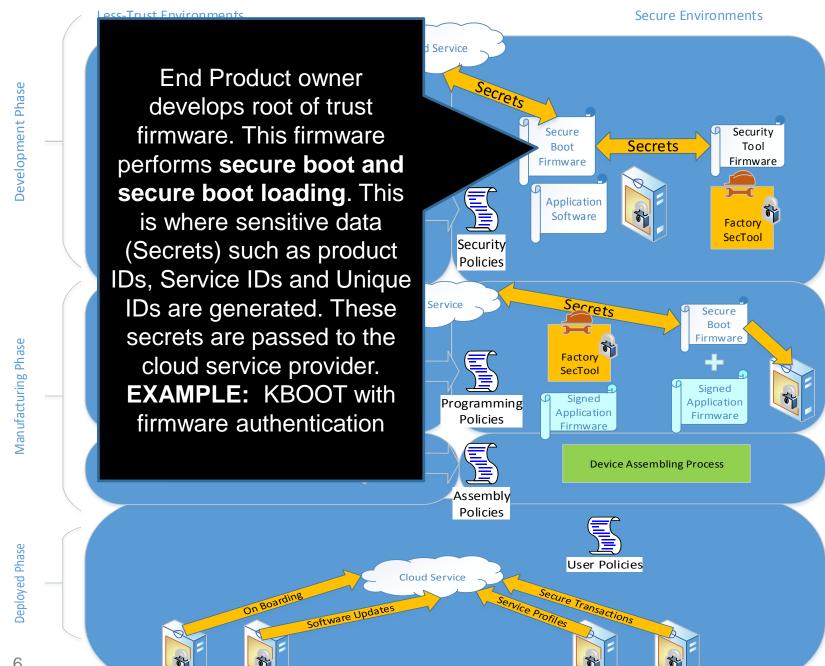




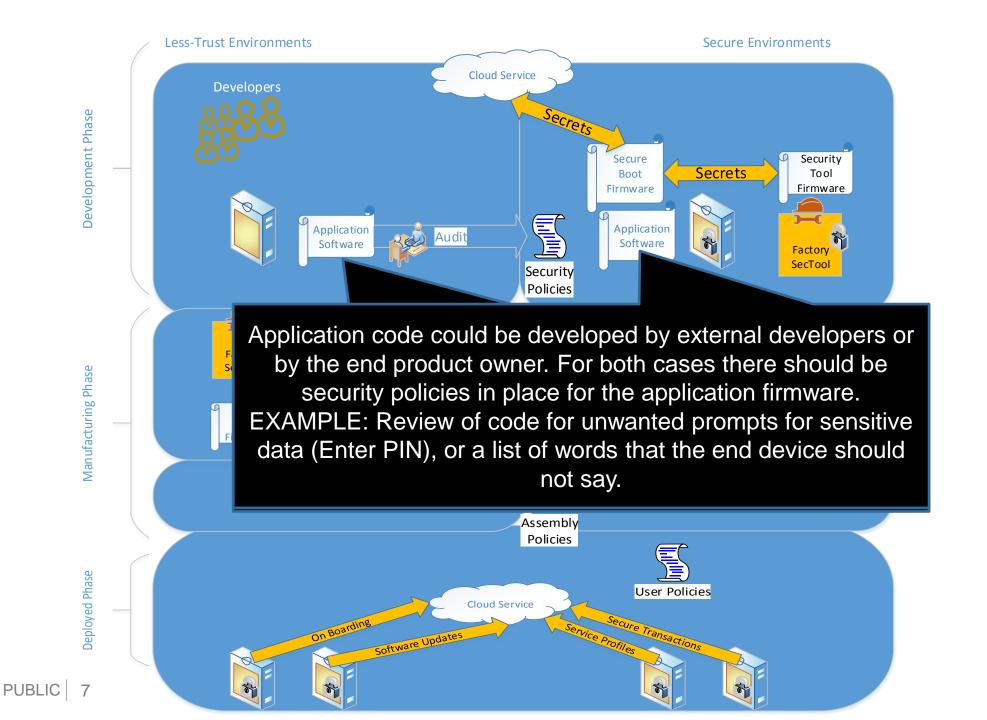




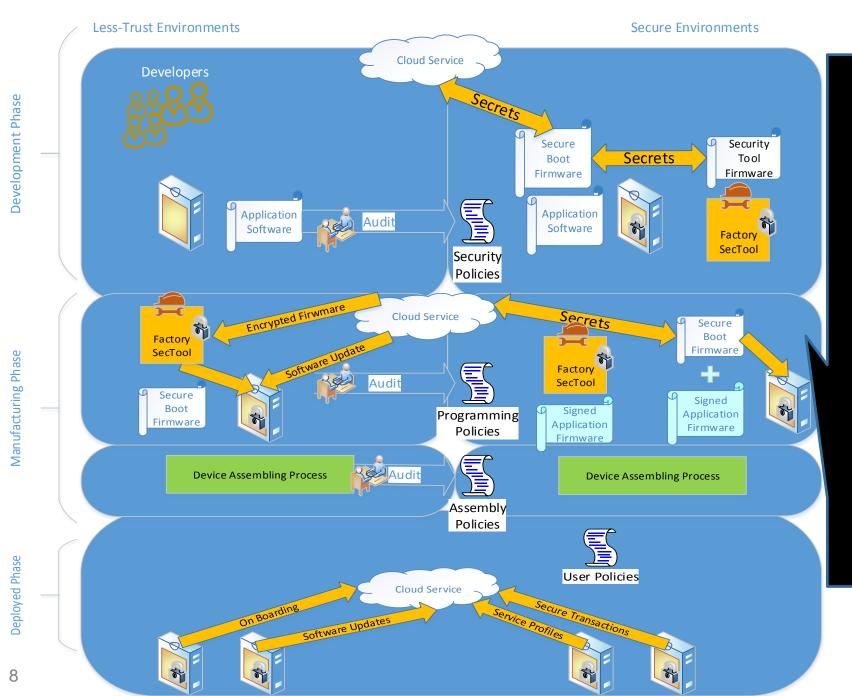








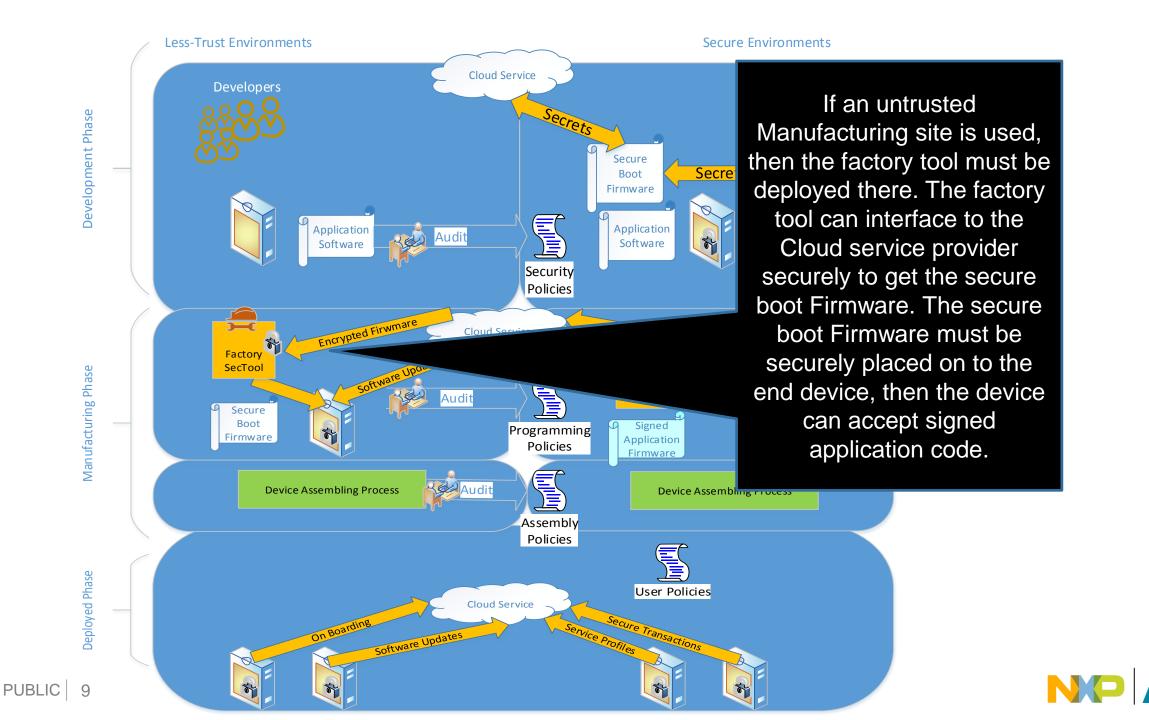


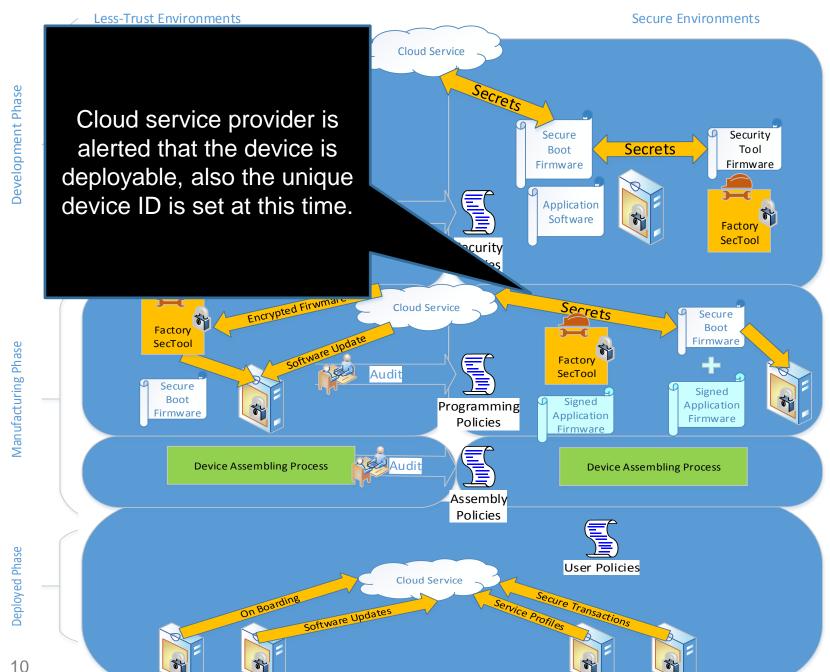


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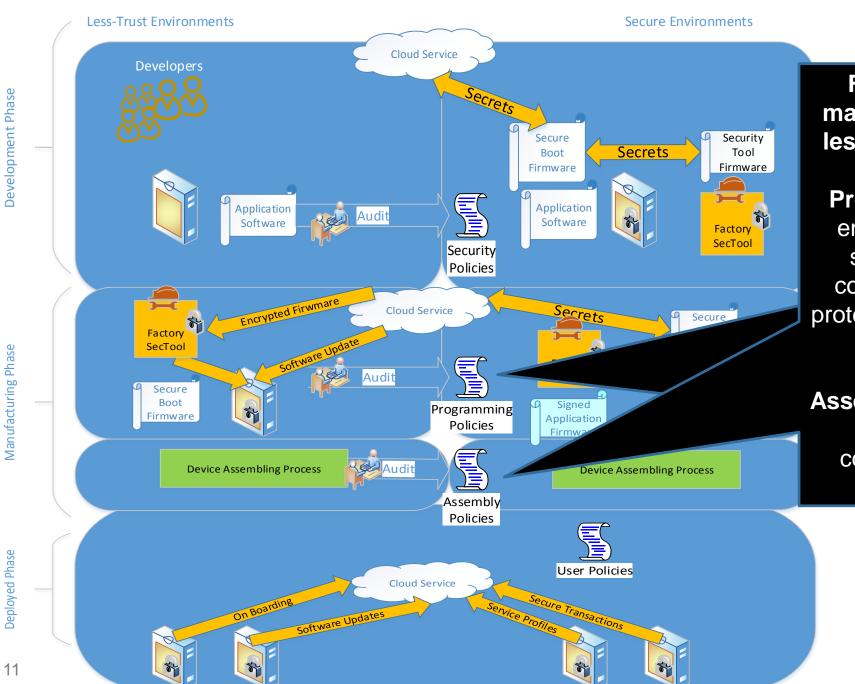
Chip security
mechanisms are used
to protect the secure
boot firmware.
EXAMPLE: Kinetis flash
block protection, Flash
Access control, Chip
security.









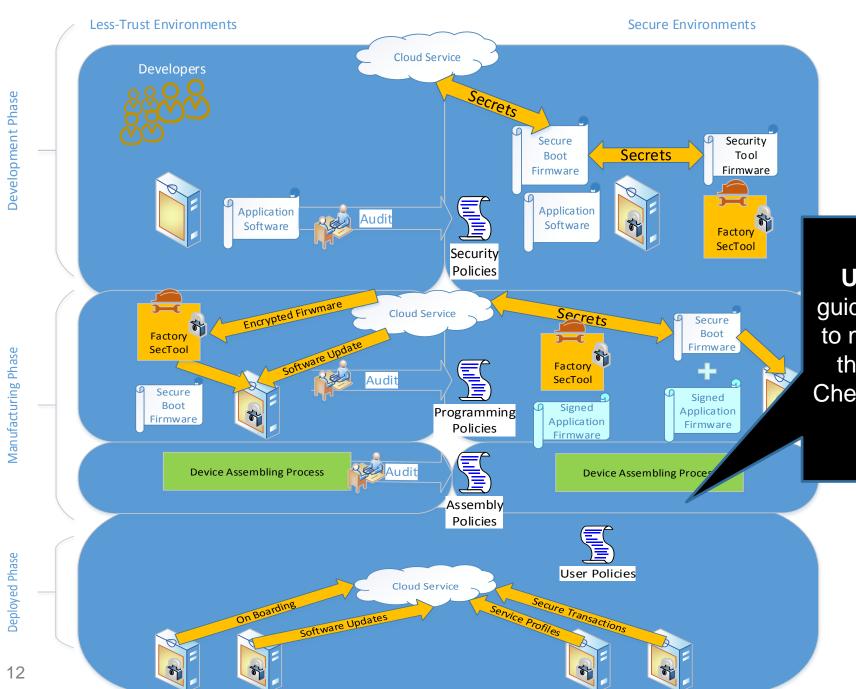


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For either a secure manufacturing site or a less trust environment:

Programming policies
ensure that the proper
steps are taken and
controls are in place to
protect the programming of
the end device.

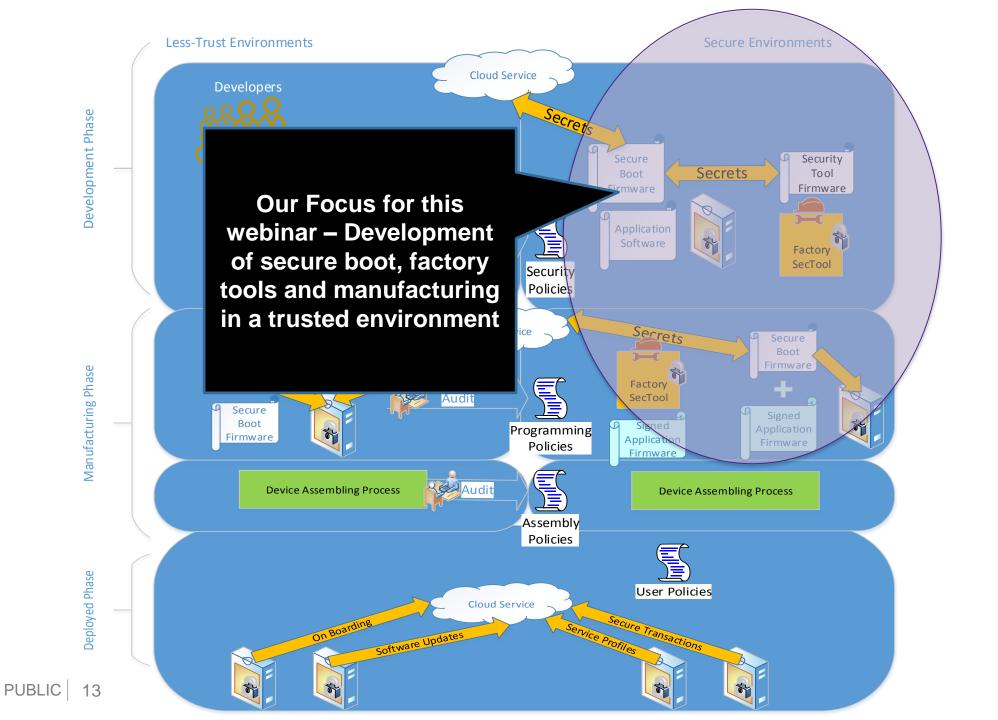
Assembly Policies ensure that only approved components are used



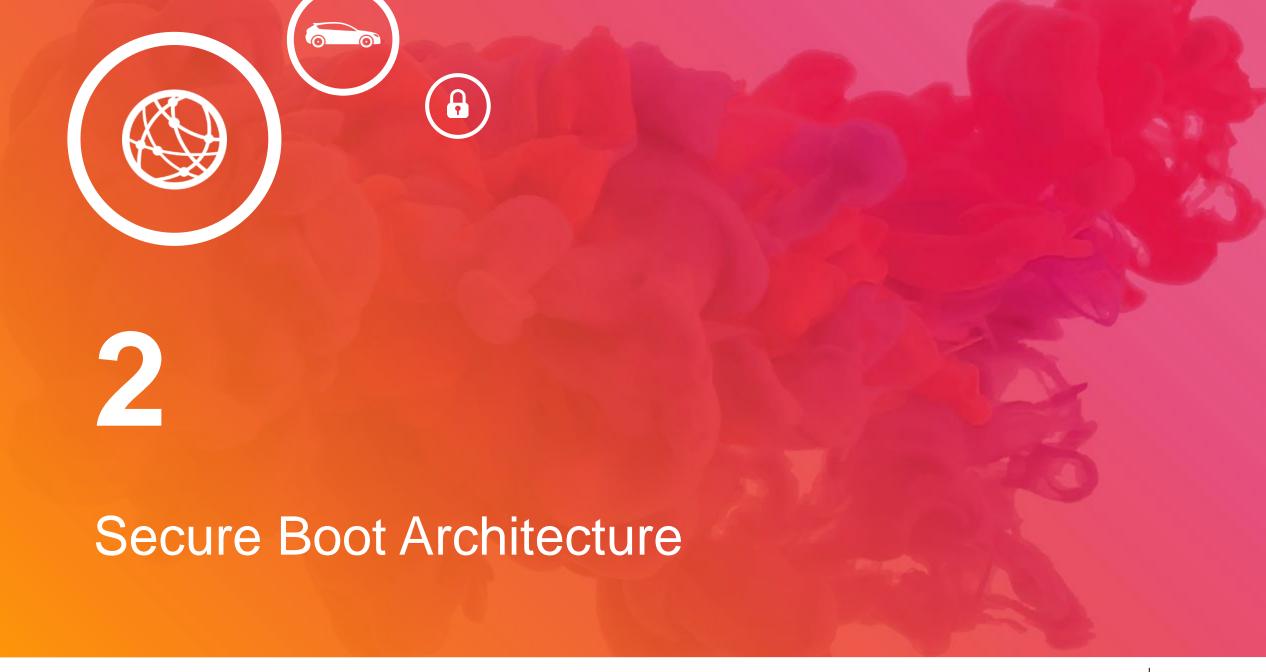
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User policies provide guidelines for the end user to maintain the security of the device. EXAMPLE: Check for pin pad overlays, or skimmers.











System Architecture for Secure Boot

Manufacturing **Authenticated Application Code** MCUXpresso IDE, Key management, Code Signing tools (Kinetis hardware Unchangeable Boot Code with KBOOT and **RTOS** host tools) mbed TLS **KBOOT** Public Key/Private Key Generation, Boot interfaces, Command parser, Middleware Signature Generation & Verification Memory programming MCUXpresso SDK SDK **Deployment** Application tool chain, Host Kinetis K28F programmer Hardware Features: Flash Security, Flash Block Protection, HW acceleration for SHA256 and AES, TRNG



Using KBOOT for Secure Boot Functions

- Factory KBOOT application
 - This bootloader application is for use in a secure manufacturing environment. The main security functions in addition to bootloader functions are to generate a PUB/PRIV key pair and to generate the signature for application code using the **private key**.

K28F
Hardware
for KBOOT
Factory
Application

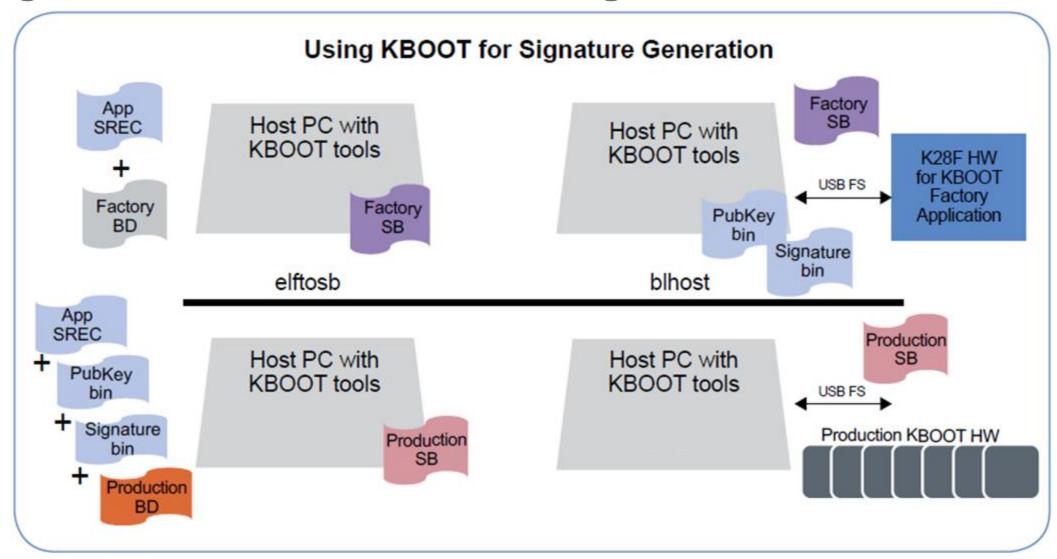
- Production KBOOT application
 - -This bootloader application is for use in a deployed device. The main security functions in addition to bootloader functions are to check the signature of application code using the **public key**, and only allow execution of the application code if the signature is authentic.



HOST TOOLS: Kinetis Flash Tool, blhost, elftosb, Kinetis MCU Host



Using KBOOT Tools in Manufacturing Phase







2.1

Kinetis K28F: How to Configure Hardware

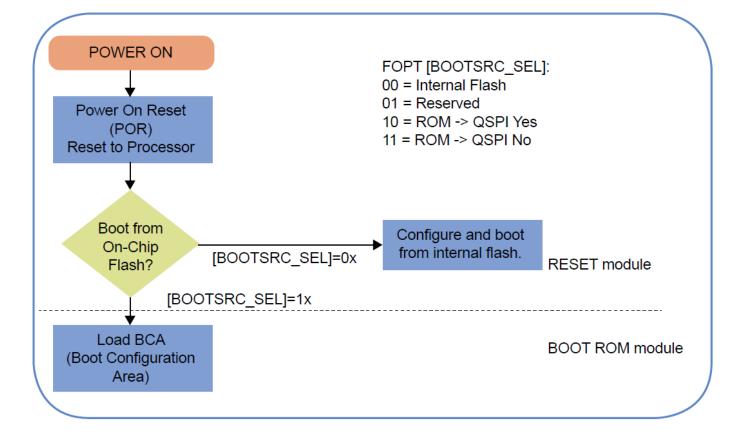
Take Control of Boot Flow

Non-volatile control register bits [BOOTSRC_SEL]

K28F reference manual section 7.3.4 Boot Sequence.

 Once configured this way, the RESET module state machine of the K28_150MHz device will ensure that internal flash will be fetched and the secure boot code will

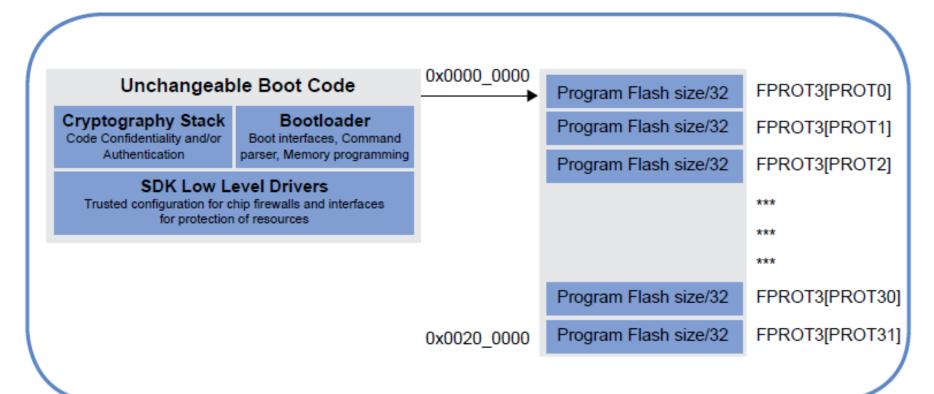
always run.





Flash Block Protection

• As detailed in section 33.3.3.6 of the K28_150MHz reference manual, "The FPROT registers define which program flash regions are protected from program and erase operations. Protected flash regions cannot have their content changed; that is, these regions cannot be programmed and cannot be erased..."



Flash Configuration Field

 The control registers for controlling boot flow, setting flash block protect and chip security settings are all part of a block of non-volatile registers as detailed in <u>section 33.3.1</u> Flash Configuration Field Configuration

| Flash Configuration Field Offset Address | Size (Bytes) | Field Description |
|--|--------------|--|
| 0x0_0400 - 0x0_0407 | 8 | Backdoor comparison key. |
| 0x0_0408 - 0x0_040B | 4 | Program flash protection bytes. Refer to the description of the Program Flash Protection Registers (FPROT0-3). |
| 0x0_040F | 1 | Reserved |
| 0x0_040E | 1 | Reserved |
| 0x0_040D | 1 | Flash nonvolatile option byte. Refer to the description of the Flash Option Register (FOPT). |
| 0x0_040C | 1 | Flash nonvolatile option byte. Refer to the description of the Flash Security Register (FSEC). |



Warning: Use Caution

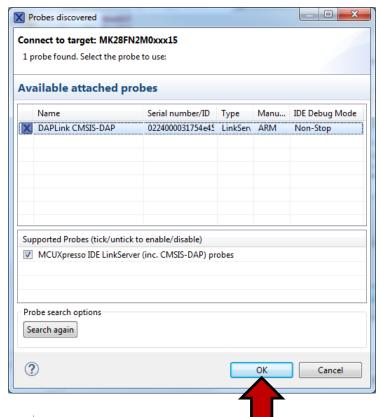
 Extreme care must be taken when using these fields because the chip can be locked out in flash programming if the program image does not have these fields

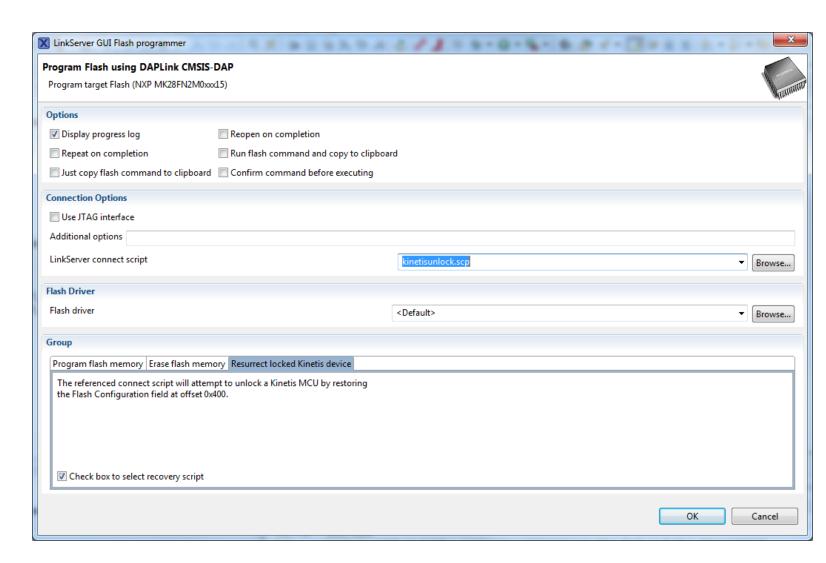
setup correctly.



Recovery for Security Locked Devices in MCUXpresso IDE









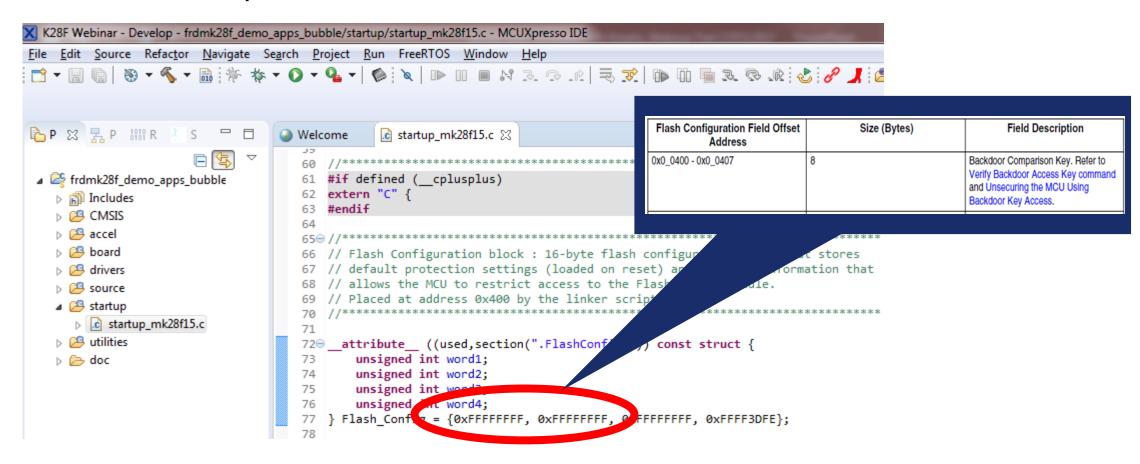
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 61 #if defined (__cplusplus)
                                   extern "C" {
   ▶ 🛍 Includes
                                    #endif
   CMSIS

b 

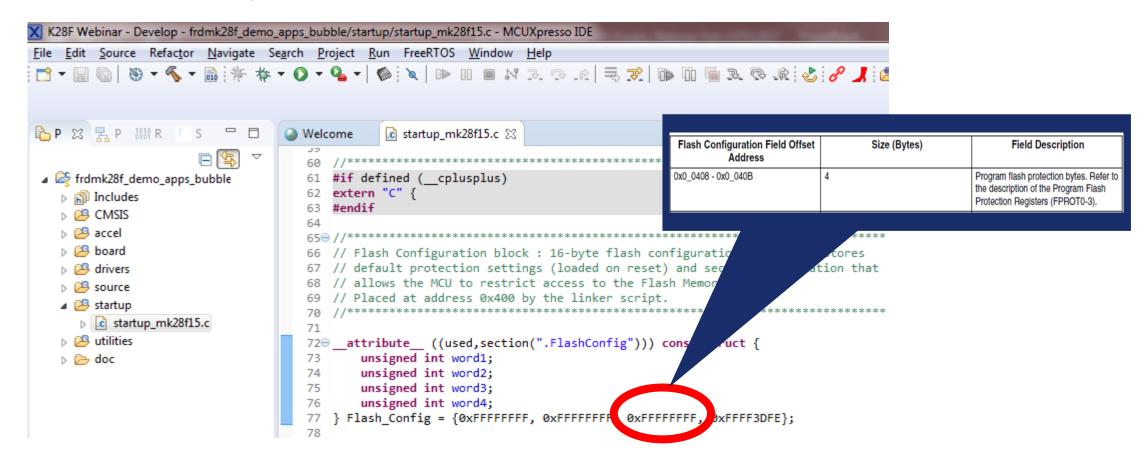
accel

   b poard
                                 66 // Flash Configuration block : 16-byte flash configuration field that stores
                                 67 // default protection settings (loaded on reset) and security information that
    drivers
                                 68 // allows the MCU to restrict access to the Flash Memory module.
                                   // Placed at address 0x400 by the linker script.
    startup
       c startup_mk28f15.c
                                 72@ __attribute__ ((used, section(".FlashConfig"))) const struct {
                                       unsigned int word1;
    doc
                                       unsigned int word2;
                                 74
                                       unsigned int word3;
                                       unsigned int word4;
                                   } Flash_Config = {0xFFFFFFFF, 0xFFFFFFFF, 0xFFFFFFFF, 0xFFFFBDFE};
```















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File Edit Source Refactor Navigate Search Project Run FreeRTOS Window Help
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                                         Welcome
                                                                            Boot Options (Source and clocking) = 0x3D
 61 #if defined (__cplusplus)
                                                                                  Flash Protection register = 0xFE
                                  extern "C" {
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                                   #endif
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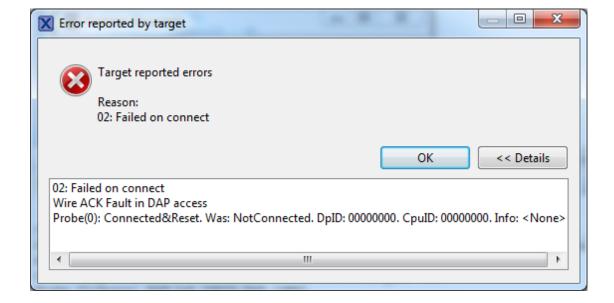
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   b board
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                               67 // default protection settings (loaded on reset) and securit
                                                                                               that
   drivers
                               68 // allows the MCU to restrict access to the Flash Memory mod
   Source
                                  // Placed at address 0x400 by the linker script.
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     b  utilities
                                72@ __attribute__ ((used, section(".FlashConfig"))) const struct {
                                      unsigned int word1;
   unsigned int word2;
                               74
                                      unsigned int word3;
                                      unsigned int word4;
                               77 } Flash_Config = {0xFFFFFFFF, 0xFFFFFFFF, 0xFFFFFFFF, 0x
```



 The Flash Configuration Field is handled by the Managed Linker Script mechanisms of MCUXpresso IDE

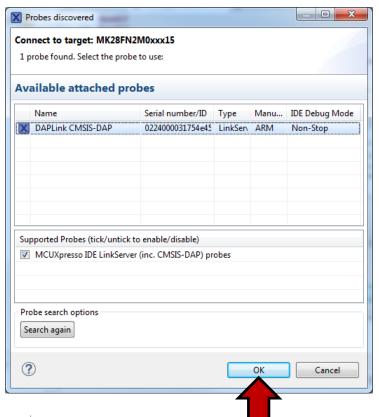
- * Notes:
- x = Undefined at reset.

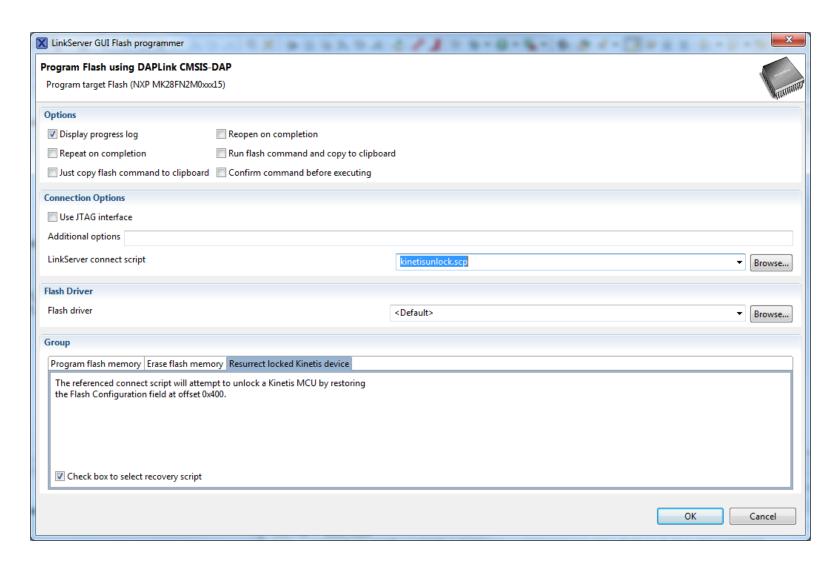




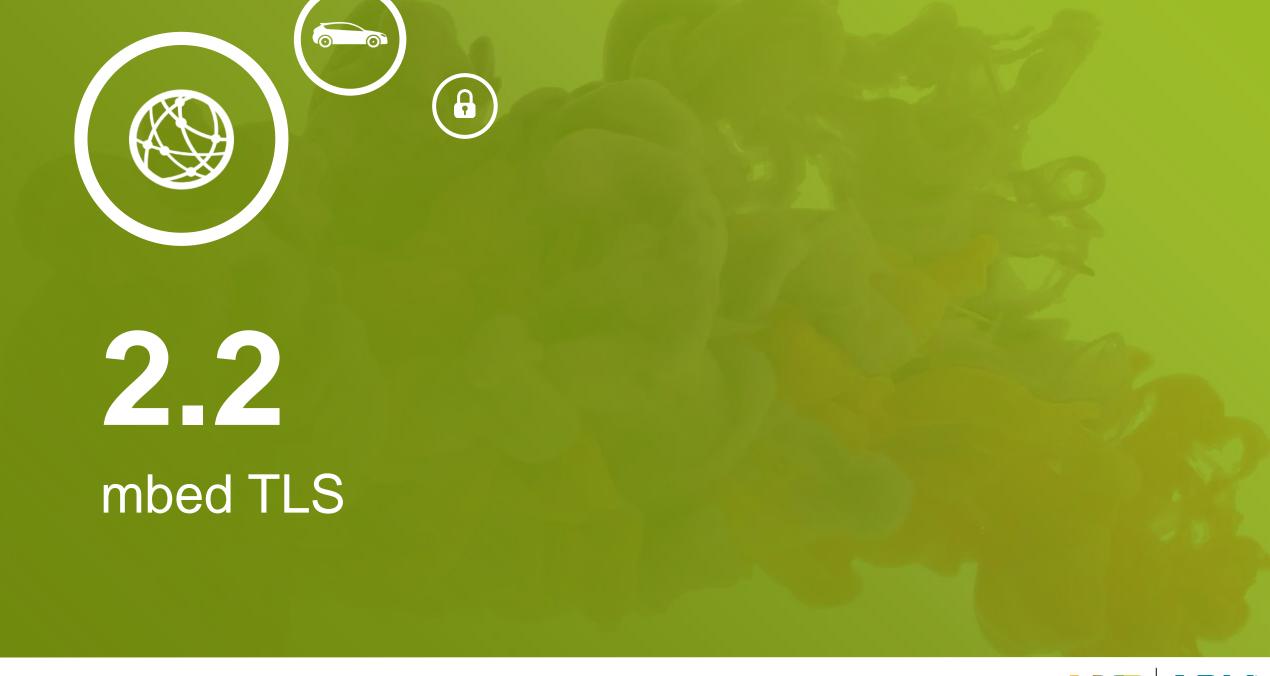
Recovery for Security Locked Devices











ARM mbed TLS Files and Relevant APIs

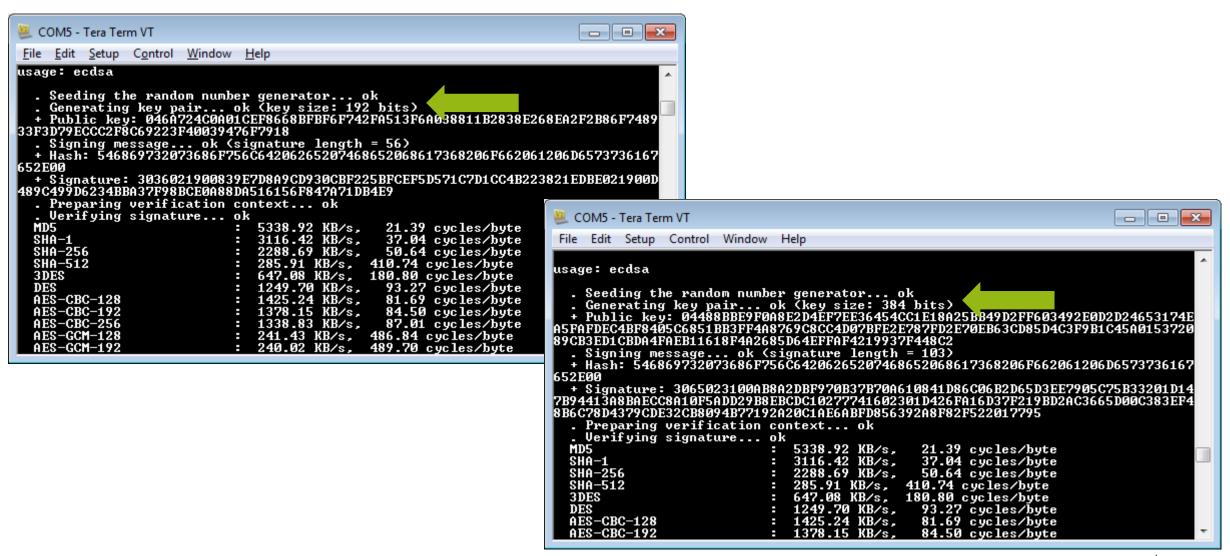
- Ecdsa example program path
 - -SDK_2.2_FRDM-K28F\middleware\mbedtls_2.3.0\programs\pkey\ecdsa.c

```
98⊖ int main( int argc, char *argv[] )
99
100
         mbedtls ecdsa context ctx sign, ctx verify;
         mbedtls_entropy_context_entropy;
         mbedtls_ctr_drbg_context ctr_drbg;
         unsigned char hash[] = "This should be the hash of a message.";
105
         unsigned char sig[512];
         size_t sig_len;
107
         const char *pers = "ecdsa";
108
         ((void) argv);
109
110
         mbedtls ecdsa init( &ctx sign );
         mbedtls ecdsa init( &ctx verify );
112
         mbedtls ctr drbg init( &ctr drbg );
113
114
        memset(sig, 0, sizeof( sig ) );
115
        ret = 1;
116
117
        if( argc != 1 )
118
119
             mbedtls printf( "usage: ecdsa\n" );
120
    #if defined( WIN32)
122
             mbedtls printf( "\n" );
123
    #endif
124
125
             goto exit;
126
127
1286
129
          * Generate a key pair for signing
130
131
         mbedtls printf( "\n . Seeding the random number generator..." );
132
         fflush( stdout );
133
134
         mbedtls entropy init( &entropy );
135
         if( ( ret = mbedtls ctr drbg seed( &ctr drbg, mbedtls entropy func, &entropy,
136
                                    (const unsigned char *) pers,
137
                                   strlen( pers ) ) ) != 0 )
138
139
             mbedtls printf( " failed\n ! mbedtls ctr drbg seed returned %d\n", ret );
             goto exit;
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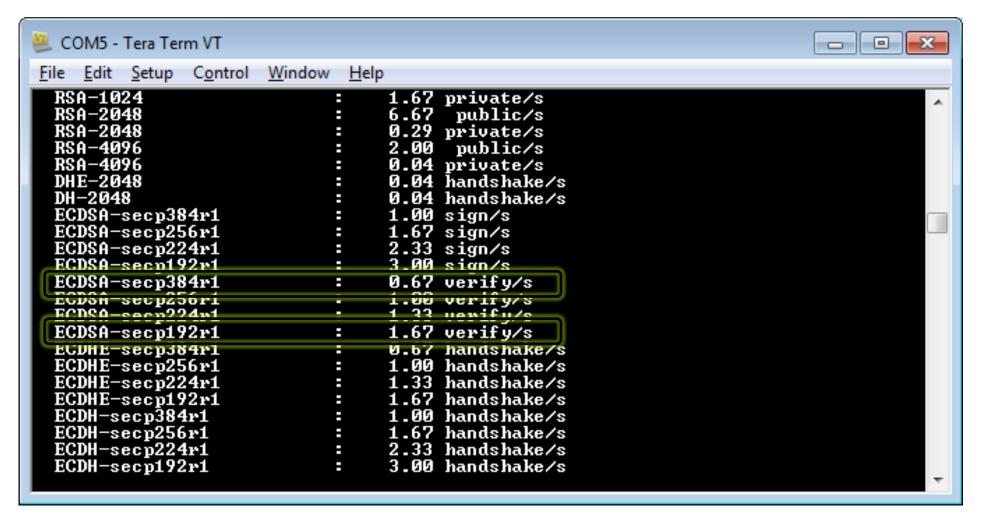
```
Sign some message hash
159
160
         mbedtls printf( " . Signing message..." );
161
         fflush( stdout );
162
163
         if( ( ret = mbedtls_ecdsa_write_signature( &ctx_sign, MBEDTLS_MD_SHA256,
164
                                           hash, sizeof( hash ),
165
                                           sig, &sig len,
166
                                           mbedtls ctr drbg random, &ctr drbg ) ) != 0 )
167
168
             mbedtls_printf( " failed\n ! mbedtls_ecdsa_genkey returned %d\n", ret );
169
170
171
         mbedtls printf( " ok (signature length = %u)\n", (unsigned int) sig len );
172
173
         dump_buf( " + Hash: ", hash, sizeof hash );
174
         dump buf( " + Signature: ", sig, sig_len );
175
1769
177
            Transfer public information to verifying contex
178
179
          * We could use the same context for verification and signatures, but we
180
          * chose to use a new one in order to make it clear that the verifying
181
          * context only needs the public key (Q), and not the private key (d).
182
183
         mbedtls_printf( " . Preparing verification context..." );
184
         fflush( stdout );
185
186
         if( ( ret = mbedtls_ecp_group_copy( &ctx_verify.grp, &ctx_sign.grp ) ) != 0 )
187
188
             mbedtls printf( " failed\n ! mbedtls ecp group copy returned %d\n", ret );
189
190
191
192
         if( ( ret = mbedtls ecp copy( &ctx verify.Q, &ctx sign.Q ) ) != 0 )
193
194
             mbedtls_printf( " failed\n ! mbedtls_ecp_copy returned %d\n", ret );
195
            goto exit;
196
197
198
199
2006
201
          * Verify signature
202
203
         mbedtls printf( " ok\n . Verifying signature..." );
         fflush( stdout );
```



mbed TLS ecdsa.c Example



Kinetis K28F mbed TLS ecdsa Benchmark



ARM mbed TLS Files and Relevant APIs

Factory Application vs Production secure boot loader

<u>Key</u> <u>Generation/Signature</u>

mbedtls_ctr_drbg_init mbedtls_entropy_init mbedtls_ctr_drbg_seed mbedtls_ecdsa_genkey

mbedtls_ecdsa_write_sign ature

Hash of Firmware

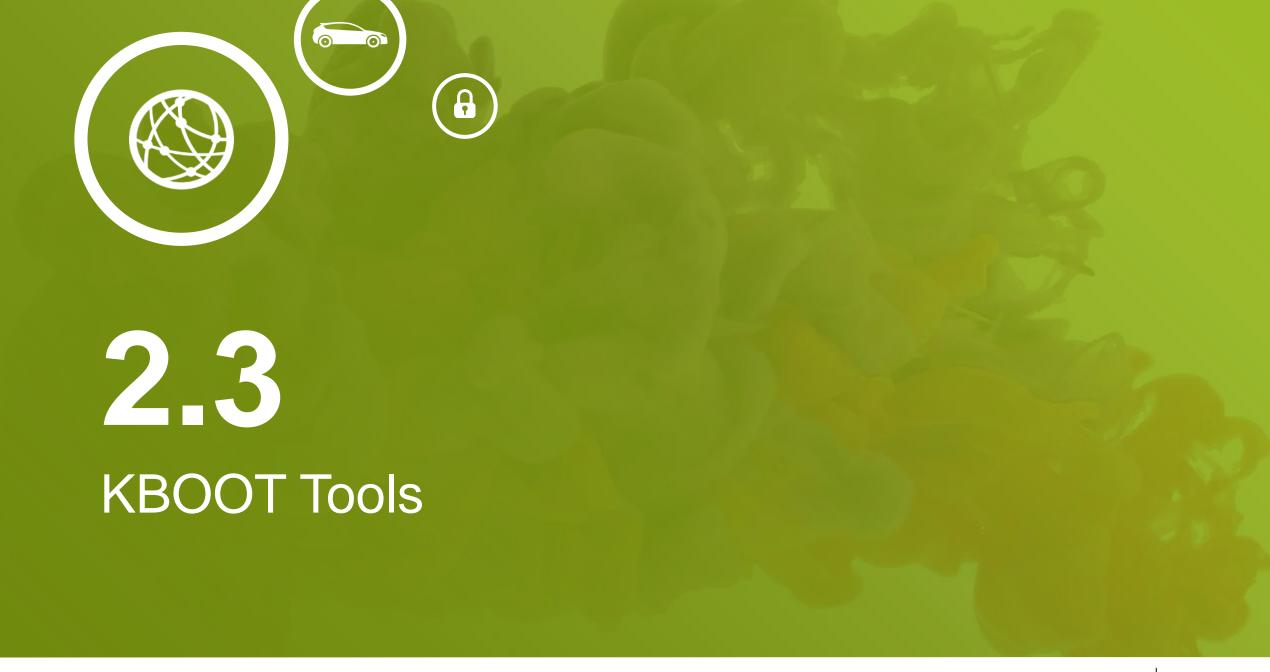
mbedtls_sha256

Signature Verification

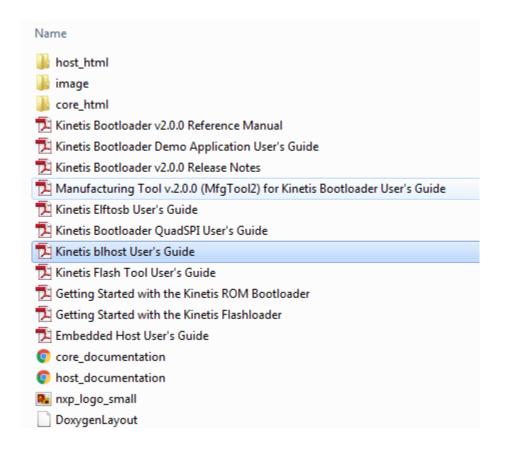
mbedtls_ecp_group_copy
mbedtls_ecp_copy

mbedtls_ecdsa_read_sign ature





KBOOT Tools: Documentation



- Kinetis KBOOT Documentation
 - Getting started documents
 - Includes applications users guides
 - Specific users guides for tools
 - Blhost users guide for interfacing to a Kinetis device running KBOOT
 - Blhost commands allow manufacturing sites to extract signature and public key information
 - ElftoSB users guide for generating secure binaries
 - ElftoSB is used to group binaries for building the production application



Blhost Tool: Documentation of Commands

Blhost users guide Section 4.2

4.2.7 read-memory <addr> <byte_count> [<file>]

Example: -- read-memory 0x3c0 32 myConfigData.dat

4.2.12 call <address> <arg>

Example: -- call 0x6000 0x21

4.2.10 receive-sb-file <file>

Example: -- receive-sb-file mySecureImage.sb

Used to export pubkey.bin and signature.bin to be used in production application



Blhost Tool: Commands Exporting Binaries

blhost –u -- read-memory 0x2000040 24 pubkey.bin

USB Command

Source Address

Size

Destination

```
C:\Users\r1aald\Documents\Work\Training Materials\Webinar\NXP_Kinetis_Bootloader_2_0_0\NXP_Kinetis_Bootloader_2_0_0\bin\Tools\blhost\win>blhost -u -- read-memor y 0x20000040 24 pubkey.bin Inject command 'read-memory' Successful response to command 'read-memory' \( \frac{1}{1}\) 100% Completed! \( \frac{1}{1}\) 100% Completed! \( \frac{1}{1}\) Successful generic response to command 'read-memory' \( \frac{1}{1}\) Response status = 0 (0x0) Success. \( \frac{1}{1}\) Response word 1 = 24 (0x18) \( \frac{1}{1}\) Read 24 of 24 bytes.
```



Elftosb Tool Documentation of BD file

3.1.1.3 Sources

The sources block is where the input files are listed and assigned the identifiers with which they are referenced throughout the rest of the command file. Each statement in the sources block consists of an assignment operator (the "=" character) with the source name identifier on the left hand side, and the source's path value on the right hand side. Individual source definitions are terminated with a semicolon.

The syntax for the source value depends on the type of source definition. The two types are explicit paths and externally provided paths. Sources with explicit paths simply list the path to the file as a quoted string literal.

The external sources use an integer expression to select one of the positional parameters from the command line. This type of source allows the user to easily vary the input file by changing the command line arguments.

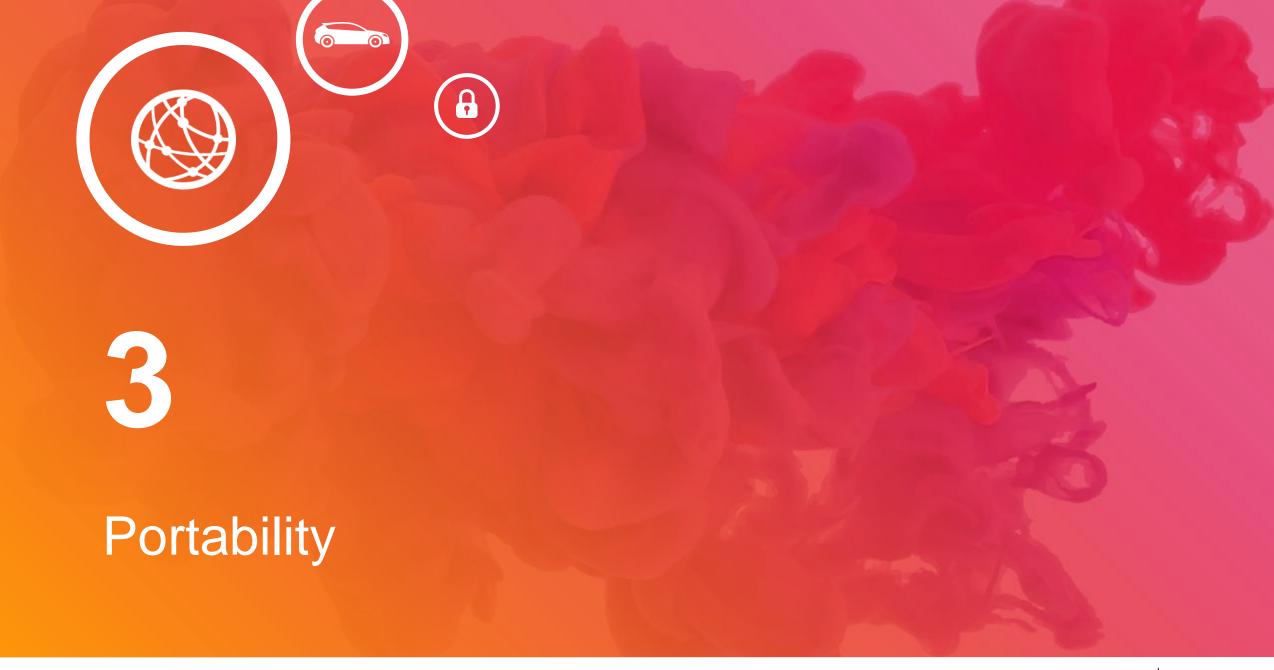
The sorce definition grammar follows this form:

There source definition can optionally have a list of source attributes contained in parentheses at the end of the definition. These attributes are the same as options in an options block but only a few options apply to sources. See Table 2 for the complete list of options.

```
# The sources block assigns file names to identifiers
sources {

    # SREC File path
    mySrecFile = "IoT_App_code.srec";
    # pubkey file path
    pubKeyBlock = |"pubkey.bin";
    # signature
    signatureBlock = "sign.bin";
}
```





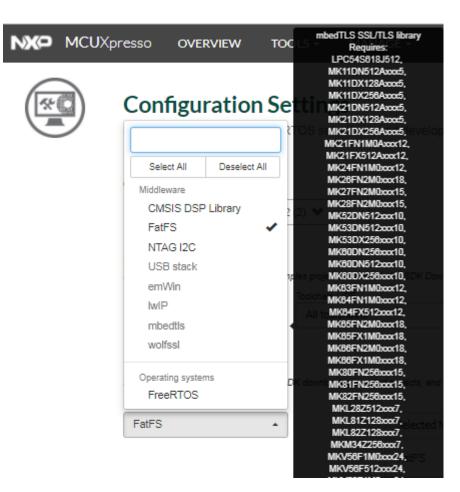


Applying This Solution to Other Platforms

Kinetis K28F is highly capable processor with large memory footprint, but it may

not fit for your every IoT edge node application

- Size constraints
- Performance/power limitations
- Not the right I/O voltage or peripherals
- -Boot time
- Migrating within the Kinetis MCU portfolio
 - mbed TLS support allows portability





Secure Card Reader Solution

SLN-POS-RDR: Point of Sale (POS) Reader Solution

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Jump To

Overview & Features

Kit Contains

Supported Devices

Target Applications

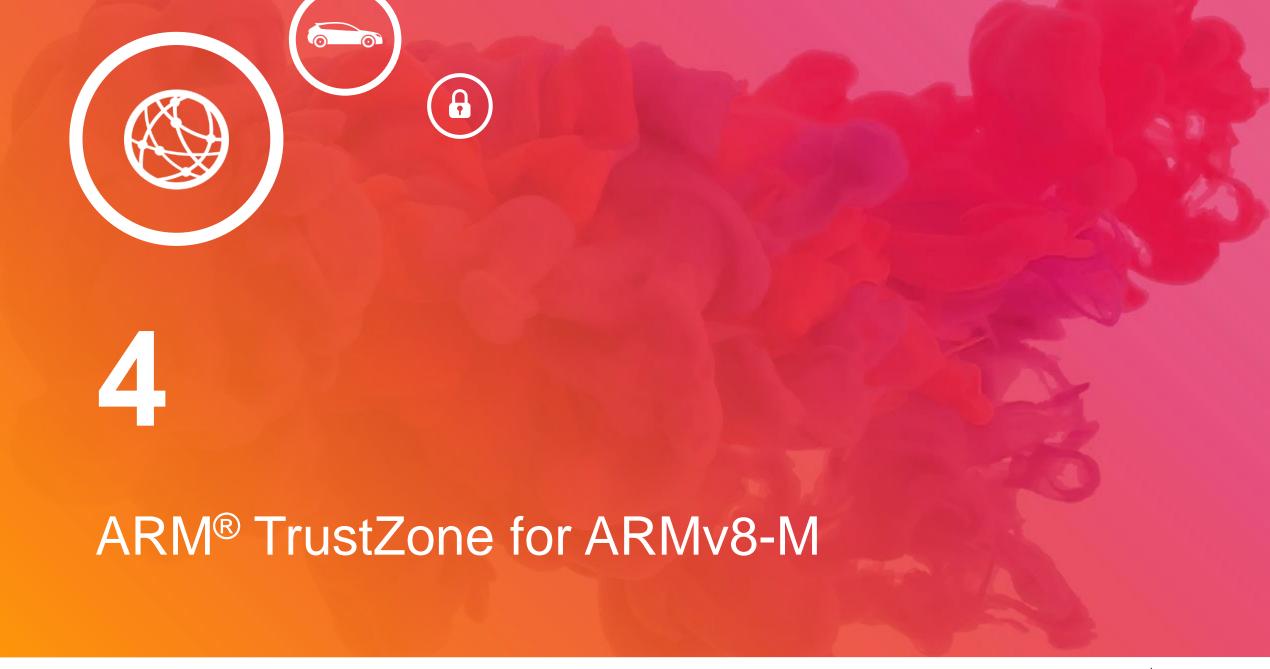
Overview

The SLN-POS-RDR Point of Sale (POS) Reader Solution enables you to quickly add a PCI®- and EMVCo®-compliant PIN entry device (PED), NFC reader, chip card reader and magnetic stripe reader (MSR) to any design to enable credit card payment. Many companies are creating products today that would benefit from adding payment capabilities to the design. However, getting the necessary PCI and EMVCo certifications are a significant engineering and development barrier. This solution is pre-certified for EMVCo and PCI PTS standards to give companies confidence that they will have a high likelihood of passing certification the first time without the added

Features

- Chip-and-PIN keypad based on Cirque[®] SecureSense[™] technology
- EMVCo Level 1 CT/CL stacks by NXP®
- EMVCo Level 2 CT/CL stacks by Cardtek
- EMVCo and PCI4 x Certification
 - EMVCo Pre-certification on Level 1 CT/CL by FIME
 - PCI 4.1 Pre-certification on the K81 performed by Infogard
 - PCI 4.1 PIN Entry Device (PED) Certification by Infogard
- Kinetis® K81 Secure MCU







Objective: Security for All Embedded Applications

Root-of-trust applications - IoT

Trusted software Trusted hardware Secure Secure TRNG* Crypto system storage



^{*} True random number generator

IP Protection

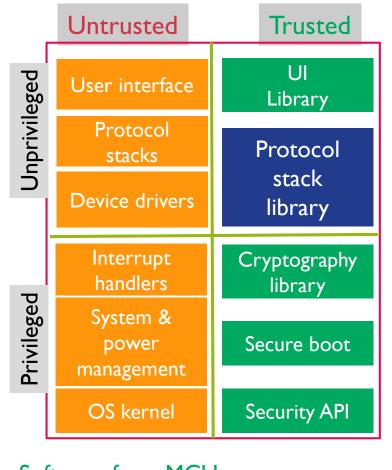
Valuable firmware Trusted drivers Trusted hardware

Sandboxing

Certified OS / functionality Trusted drivers Trusted hardware

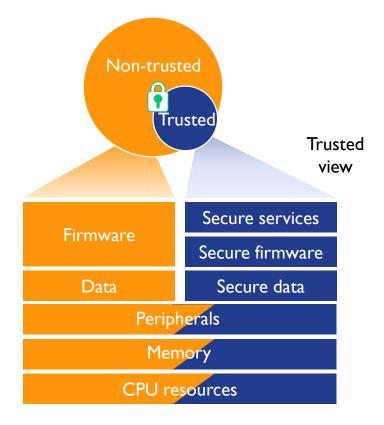
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Future Software Architecture



Software from MCU system developers

Built-in firmware

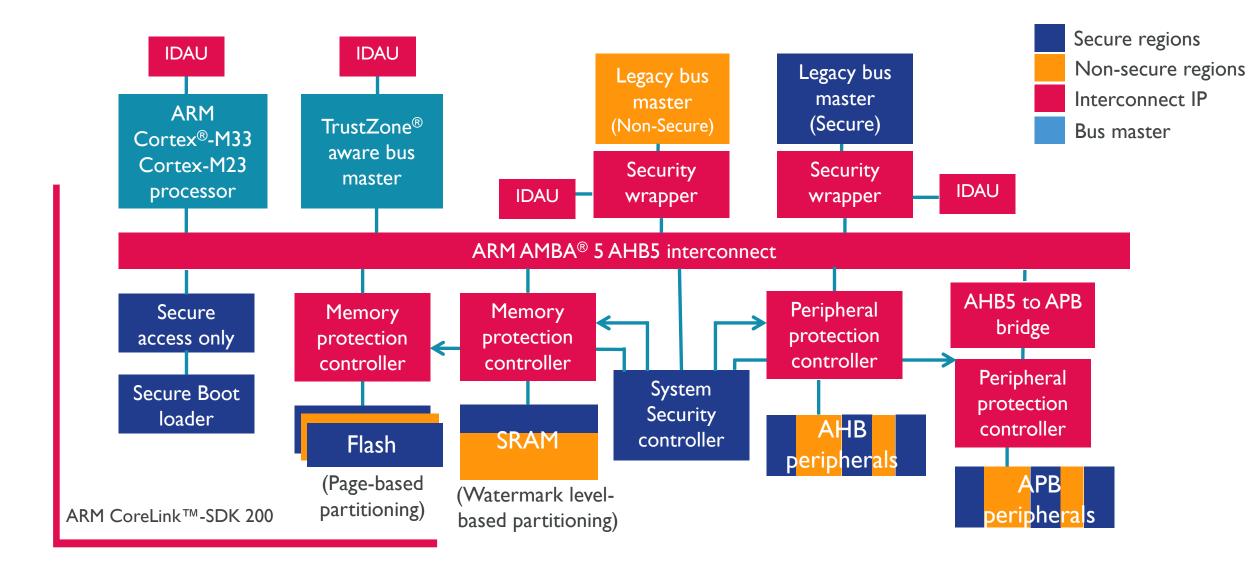


Two worlds - one CPU Real-time transition*

*≤2 cycles



Future Device Architecture





Conclusion

In today's connected world, the protection of firmware is an essential component to delivering solutions that safeguard device manufacturers and their customers. Essential to sustaining end-to-end security is a secure and trusted boot, which can be achieved with the right MCU hardware capabilities and ARM mbed TLS. NXP's microcontrollers contain the hardware features and software enablement that can be integrated to strengthen end device security and protect value. As the drive towards lower power and higher performance efficiency for IoT edge nodes continues, future capabilities in embedded controllers and ARM processors will provide the basis for future security solutions for the IoT.



Resources

- http://www.nxp.com/video/how-to-protect-your-firmware-against-maliciousattacks-using-the-latest-kinetis-development-board:SECURE-YOUR-FIRMWARE-WITH-KINETIS
- http://www.nxp.com/products/reference-designs/kinetisbootloader:KBOOT?&tid=vanKBOOT
- https://community.arm.com/processors/trustzone-for-armv8-m/
- https://developer.arm.com/products/processors/cortex-m/cortex-m23
- https://developer.arm.com/products/processors/cortex-m/cortex-m33



White paper

Prevent edge node attacks by securing your firmware Configuring Kinetis® MCU capabilities with ARM® mbed™ TLS for a secure boot

Donnie Garcia, Solutions Architect for Secure Transactions, NXP **Diya Soubra**, Senior Product Marketing Manager, ARM



