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Preface

This preface introduces the *Arm® CoreLink™ SDK-200 System Design Kit Technical Overview*.

It contains the following:

- *About this book* on page 7.
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About this book

This book is for the Arm® CoreLink™ SDK-200 System Design Kit (SDK-200). It describes the hardware and software for the system.

Product revision status

The *rm**pn* identifier indicates the revision status of the product described in this book, for example, *r1p2*, where:

rm Identifies the major revision of the product, for example, *r1*.

pn Identifies the minor revision or modification status of the product, for example, *p2*.

Intended audience

This book is written for hardware or software engineers who want an overview of the functionality in the CoreLink™ SDK-200 System Design Kit.

Using this book

This book is organized into the following chapters:

Chapter 1 SDK-200 overview

This chapter introduces the Arm CoreLink SDK-200 System Design Kit (SDK-200).

Chapter 2 Functional overview

This chapter describes the IP products included in the SDK-200 license.

Appendix A Revisions

This appendix describes the technical changes between released issues of this book.

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italic

Introduces special terminology, denotes cross-references, and citations.

bold

Highlights interface elements, such as menu names. Denotes signal names. Also used for terms in descriptive lists, where appropriate.

`monospace`

Denotes text that you can enter at the keyboard, such as commands, file and program names, and source code.

`monospace`

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`monospace` *italic*

Denotes arguments to monospace text where the argument is to be replaced by a specific value.

`monospace` **bold**

Denotes language keywords when used outside example code.

<and>

Encloses replaceable terms for assembler syntax where they appear in code or code fragments. For example:

```
MRC p15, 0, <Rd>, <CRn>, <CRm>, <Opcode_2>
```

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Used in body text for a few terms that have specific technical meanings, that are defined in the *Arm® Glossary*. For example, IMPLEMENTATION DEFINED, IMPLEMENTATION SPECIFIC, UNKNOWN, and UNPREDICTABLE.

Additional reading

This section lists publications by Arm and by third parties.

See [Infocenter](#), for access to Arm documentation.

Arm publications

This book contains information that is specific to this product. See the following documents for other relevant information:

- *Arm® CoreLink™ SSE-050 Subsystem for Embedded Technical Reference Manual* (100918).
- *Arm® CoreLink™ SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded Technical Reference Manual* (101104).
- *Arm® CoreLink™ SIE-200 System IP for Embedded Technical Reference Manual* (DDI 0571).
- *Arm® Cortex®-M3 Processor Technical Reference Manual* (100165).
- *Arm® Cortex®-M33 Processor Technical Reference Manual* (100230).
- *Arm® Cortex®-M System Design Kit Technical Reference Manual* (DDI 0479).
- *Arm® CoreLink™ CG092 AHB Flash Cache Technical Reference Manual* (DDI 0569).
- *Arm® CoreLink™ LPD-500 Low Power Distributor Technical Reference Manual* (100361).
- *Arm® PrimeCell Real Time Clock (PL031) Technical Reference Manual* (DDI 0224).
- *Arm® PrimeCell μDMA Controller (PL230) Technical Reference Manual* (DDI 0417).
- *Arm® TrustZone® True Random Number Generator Technical Reference Manual* (100976).
- *Arm® AMBA® APB Protocol Specification* (IHI 0024).
- *ARMv8-M Architecture Reference Manual* (DDI 0553).

The following confidential books are only available to licensees or require registration with Arm:

- *Arm® CoreLink™ SSE-050 Subsystem for Embedded Configuration and Integration Manual* (100919).
- *Arm® CoreLink™ SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded Configuration and Integration Manual* (100224).
- *Arm® Cortex®-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit Example System Guide* (DUI 0559).
- *Arm® Cortex®-M System Design Kit Example System Guide* (DUI 0594).

Note

- See www.arm.com/cmsis for embedded software development resources including the *Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard* (CMSIS).
 - See Arm Mbed™ platform, <https://www.mbed.com> for information on the Mbed tools including Mbed OS and online tools.
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Chapter 1

SDK-200 overview

This chapter introduces the Arm CoreLink SDK-200 System Design Kit (SDK-200).

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- [1.2 Product deliverables](#) on page 1-13.
- [1.3 Compliance](#) on page 1-14.
- [1.4 Documentation](#) on page 1-15.

1.1 About the SDK-200

The SDK-200 provides a subsystem architecture, a reference platform, and a collection of IP products that can be used to create a secure IoT system. To provide this functionality, the SDK-200 product grants licenses to the following subsystem and component IP products:

CoreLink SSE-050 Subsystem for Embedded

The SSE-050 provides a starting point for a product in the *Internet of Things* (IoT) and embedded market segments. The SSE-050 provides a process and technology agnostic reference, pre-integrated, validated, hardware and software subsystem for Arm Cortex-M3 processors that can be extended to provide an IoT endpoint system.

CoreLink SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded

The SSE-200 provides a high-performance and low-power computing subsystem for Arm Cortex-M33 processors. It can be the foundation of a secure system because of system-level support for TrustZone technologies.

Cortex-M System Design Kit

The Cortex-M System Design Kit provides an example system for the Arm Cortex-M processors and reusable AMBA AHB-Lite and APB components for low-power designs.

Cortex-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit

The Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ System Design Kit provides an example system-level design for the Arm Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ processors and reusable AMBA components for system-level development.

CoreLink SIE-200 System IP for Embedded

The SIE-200 product is a collection of interconnect, peripheral, and TrustZone controller components for use with a processor that complies with the ARMv8-M processor architecture.

CoreLink LPD-500 Low Power Distributor

The LPD-500 is a standalone configurable component to distribute Q-Channel interfaces to multiple devices and subsystems. Q-Channels are used to manage clock gating and power control.

CoreLink CG092 AHB Flash Cache

The CG092 is an instruction cache that is designed to be instantiated between the bus interconnect and the *embedded Flash* (eFlash) controller.

PrimeCell Real Time Clock

The *Real Time Clock* (RTC) is an AMBA slave module that connects to the *Advanced Peripheral Bus* (APB).

The RTC can be used to provide a basic alarm function or long time base counter. This is achieved by generating an interrupt signal after counting for a programmed number of cycles of a real-time clock input. Counting in one second intervals is achieved by use of a 1Hz clock input to the RTC.

TrustZone True Random Number Generator

The *True Random Number Generator* (TRNG) provides an assured level of entropy (as analyzed by Entropy Estimation logic). The output from the TRNG can be used to seed deterministic random bit generators.

1.1.1 Using the SDK IP products

The SDK-200 licensed IP can be used in the following ways:

- Use the CoreLink SSE-050 or SSE-200 subsystem as a verified foundation for your own IoT solution that is based around the Cortex-M3 or Cortex-M33 processors, respectively.
Use the SIE-200 components to add bus and controller IP to create secure TrustZone systems.
- Use the *Cortex-M System Design Kit* (CMSDK) and the example system as a starting point for your own IoT solution that is based around the Cortex-M0, Cortex-M0+, Cortex-M3, or Cortex-M4 processors.

- Use the Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ System Design Kit and the example system as a foundation for your own IoT solution that is based around the Cortex-M0 or Cortex-M0+ processors.
- Use the system IP provided with the SSE-050, SSE-200, CMSDK, LPD-500, CG092, or the SIE-200, and your own IP to create a custom solution. You can use the example systems and software libraries as a reference for your system solution.

Note

- The SSE-050 or SSE-200 and CMSDK build scripts include interconnections to a processor, but a processor must be separately licensed and installed.

Using the SSE-200 also requires a license for the CoreSight™ SoC-400M product bundle (TM150).

- See the *Arm® CoreLink™ SDK-200 Release Note* for details about how to download and install the SDK-200 components that you require.
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1.2 Product deliverables

The CoreLink SDK-200 product bundle (BP310) does not have hardware or software deliverables. Its subsystems and IP component products include these deliverables.

The hardware deliverables must be downloaded separately for the following IP products that are included in the SDK-200 license:

- CoreLink SSE-050 Subsystem for Embedded (CG063).
- CoreLink SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded (CG062).
- CoreLink SIE-200 System IP for Embedded (BP300).
- Cortex-M System Design Kit (BP210).
- Cortex-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit (BP200).
- CoreLink LPD-500 Low Power Distributor (PL408).
- CoreLink CG092 AHB Flash Cache (CG092).
- PrimeCell Real Time Clock (PL031).
- TrustZone True Random Number Generator (CC003).

See the *Arm® CoreLink™ SDK-200 Release Note* for the component versions.

1.3 Compliance

See the *Technical Reference Manuals* for more details of the product's compliance to the following specifications:

- Arm architecture.
- CoreSight Debug.
- Advanced Microcontroller Bus Architecture.

1.4 Documentation

The following documents are supplied with the CoreLink SDK-200 product bundle (BP310):

Technical Overview

The *Technical Overview* (TO) describes the functionality of the SDK-200 System Design Kit.

Release Note

The *Release Note* describes download and installation instructions for the IP products included in the SDK-200.

Note

- The separately downloaded product bundles also contain documentation such as *Technical Reference Manuals* or *Configuration and Integration Manuals*.
 - See the individual product bundles for details of what documentation is provided for that IP bundle.
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Chapter 2

Functional overview

This chapter describes the IP products included in the SDK-200 license.

It contains the following sections:

- *2.1 Supported processors on page 2-17.*
- *2.2 CoreLink Subsystem for Embedded on page 2-18.*
- *2.3 Cortex-M System Design Kit on page 2-21.*
- *2.4 Cortex-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit on page 2-24.*
- *2.5 SIE-200 System IP for Embedded on page 2-26.*
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2.1 Supported processors

The following table lists the processors supported by the products in the CoreLink SDK-200 bundle used to create a secure IoT system.

Table 2-1 Supported processors

CoreLink SDK-200 products								
Processor	CM0SDK	CMSDK	LPD-500	SIE-200 System IP	SSE-050 Subsystem	SSE-200 Subsystem	RTC	TRNG
Cortex-M0	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes
Cortex-M0+	Yes	Yes	-	-	-	-	Yes	Yes
Cortex-M23	-	Limited ^a	Yes	Yes	-	Limited ^b	Yes	Yes
Cortex-M3	-	Yes	-	Yes ^c	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
Cortex-M4	-	Yes	-	Yes ^c	-	-	Yes	Yes
Cortex-M33	-	Limited ^a	Yes	Yes	-	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cortex-M7	-	Limited ^d	-	Limited ^d	-	-	Yes	Yes

^a Does not propagate all AHB5 attributes and is not security aware.
^b Enabled by subsystem modification rights.
^c Enabled by Cortex-M3/Cortex-M4 AHB5 Adapter component, which is part of SIE-200.
^d Enabled by using the Cortex-M7 AHB bus and/or an AXI2AHB converter.

2.2 CoreLink Subsystem for Embedded

The Arm CoreLink SSE-050 and SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded are subsystems that provide a starting point for a product in the *Internet of Things* (IoT) and embedded market segments.

The SSE-050 subsystem delivers a process and technology agnostic reference, pre-integrated, validated, hardware and software subsystem that can be extended to provide an IoT endpoint system.

The SSE-200 subsystem drives system architecture and software standardization, and was developed to provide a high-performance computing subsystem that encompasses leading-edge Cortex-M and TrustZone technologies.

The SSE solution consists of hardware, software, and software tools to enable the rapid development of IoT *System on Chip* (SoC) solutions.

2.2.1 CoreLink SSE-050 Subsystem for Embedded

The SSE-050 subsystem contains the following components:

- A Cortex-M3 processor.
- Configurable Debug and Trace.
- Multilayer AMBA AHB-Lite interconnect.
- Memory system.
- Two APB timers.

The following figure shows the SSE-050 subsystem, with other IP, in an example design.

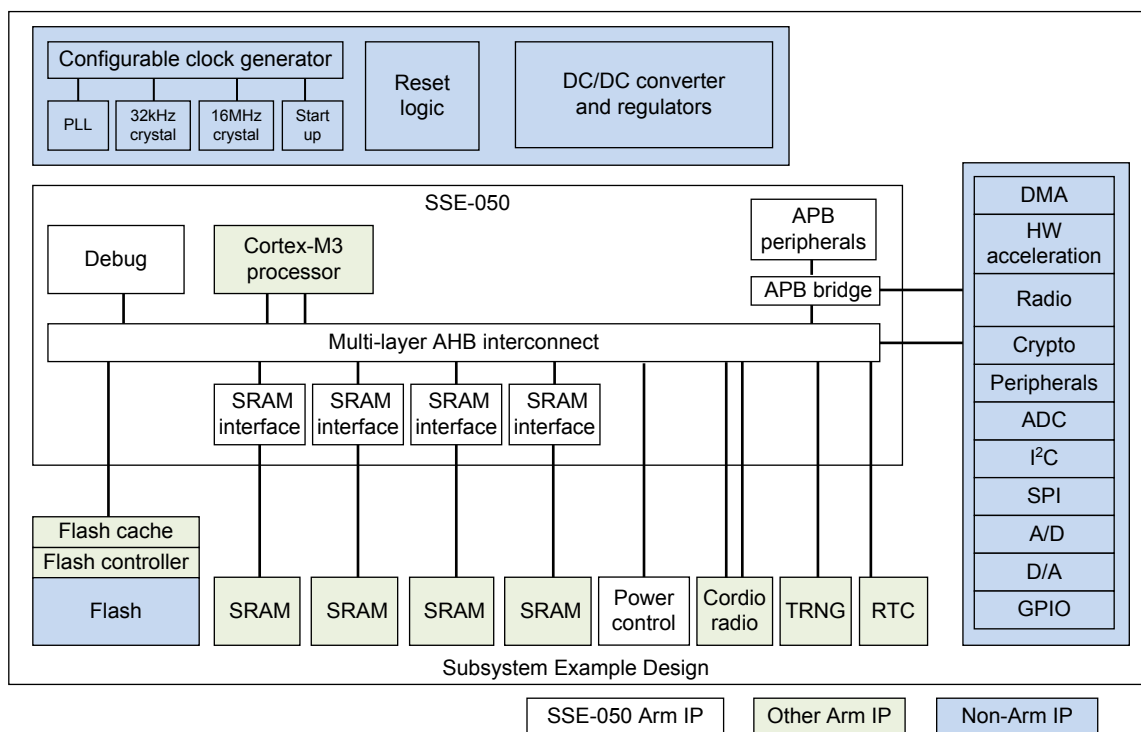


Figure 2-1 SSE-050 Subsystem for Embedded example design

2.2.2 CoreLink SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded

The SSE-200 subsystem provides the following pre-assembled elements to use as the basis of an IoT SoC:

- Two Cortex-M33 processors that must be separately licensed.
- AMBA AHB5 bus matrix for internal and expansion buses.
- System controller.
- I-cache.
- CoreSight debug and trace that must be separately licensed.
- CoreLink SIE-200 and CMSDK components.
- SRAM memory.
- Power, clock, and reset control infrastructure.

Note

- For details of the separately licensed Cortex-M33 processor, see the *Arm® Cortex®-M33 Processor Technical Reference Manual*.
 - For details of the SIE-200 components, see the *Arm® CoreLink™ SIE-200 Technical Reference Manual*.
 - The SIE-200 is complemented by software libraries that are integrated with the Mbed operating system.
 - The provided system components only form part of the finished SoC and Arm expects system designers to extend and customize the subsystem for their application requirements.
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The following figure shows a block diagram of the SIE-200 elements:

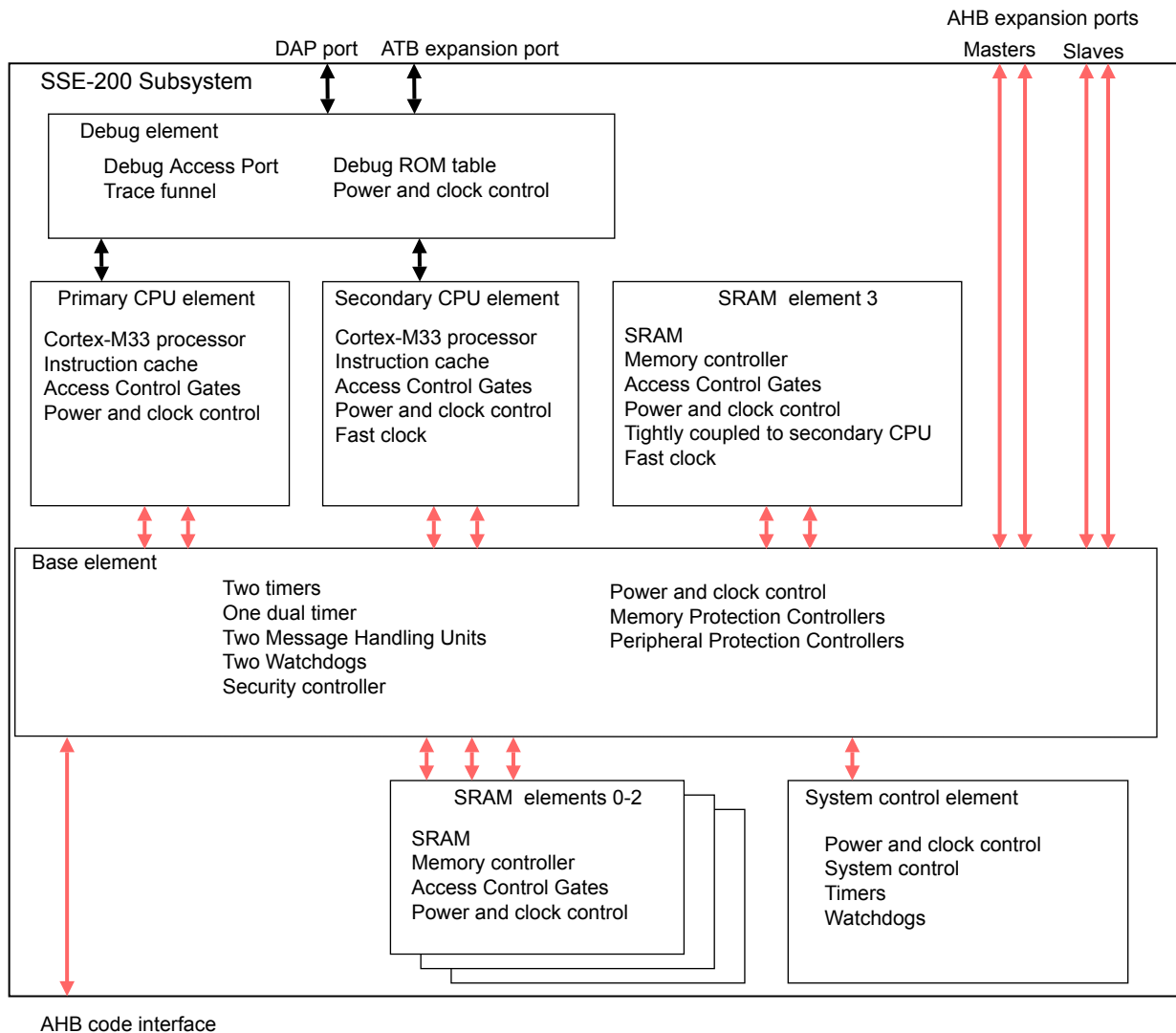


Figure 2-2 SSE-200 Subsystem for Embedded high-level example system block diagram

2.2.3 Subsystem for Embedded software

Application processor firmware, which is available separately, consists of the code that is required to boot the subsystem up to the point where the OS execution starts. Contact your Arm representative for details on the software and its location.

The firmware contains:

- *Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard* (CMSIS) compliant drivers.
- Flash programming support code, which is separate from Mbed OS.
- Separately ported Mbed OS that includes uVisor ported onto the SSE-050 and SSE-200 systems.
- Execution support for the SSE-200 *Fixed Virtual Platform* (FVP) and RTL simulators.
- Support for SSE-200 on MPS2 FPGA Development Platform.
- Mbed OS driver support and code, for example I/O peripherals.
- Code that is required to load Mbed from boot media and set up the initial security environment.
- Support for system security components, including memory protection controllers.
- Support for runtime processor power state control.

2.3 Cortex-M System Design Kit

The Cortex-M System Design Kit helps you design products using Arm Cortex-M3 and Cortex-M4 processors.

The design kit contains the following:

- A selection of AHB-Lite and APB components, including several peripherals such as GPIO, timers, watchdog, and UART.

These components are used in the CMSDK example system, but you can also use the components to create your own custom system.

- An example system for supported processor products.
- Example synthesis scripts for the example system.
- Example compilation and simulation scripts for the Verilog environment that supports ModelSim, VCS, and NC Verilog.
- Example code for software drivers.
- Example test code to demonstrate various operations of the systems.
- Example compilation scripts and example software project files that support:
 - Arm Development Studio 5 (DS-5).
 - Arm RealView Development Suite.
 - Keil® *Microcontroller Development Kit* (MDK).
 - GNU tools for Arm embedded processors (Arm GCC).
- Documentation including:
 - *Arm® Cortex®-M System Design Kit Technical Reference Manual*.
 - *Arm® Cortex®-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit Example System Guide*.
 - *Arm® Cortex®-M System Design Kit Example System Guide*.

For details of the CMSDK components, see the *Arm® Cortex®-M System Design Kit Technical Reference Manual*.

This section contains the following subsections:

- [2.3.1 Example system on page 2-21](#).
- [2.3.2 Components on page 2-22](#).
- [2.3.3 Cortex-M Software Design Kit software on page 2-22](#).

2.3.1 Example system

The following figure shows the block diagram of the CMSDK example system:

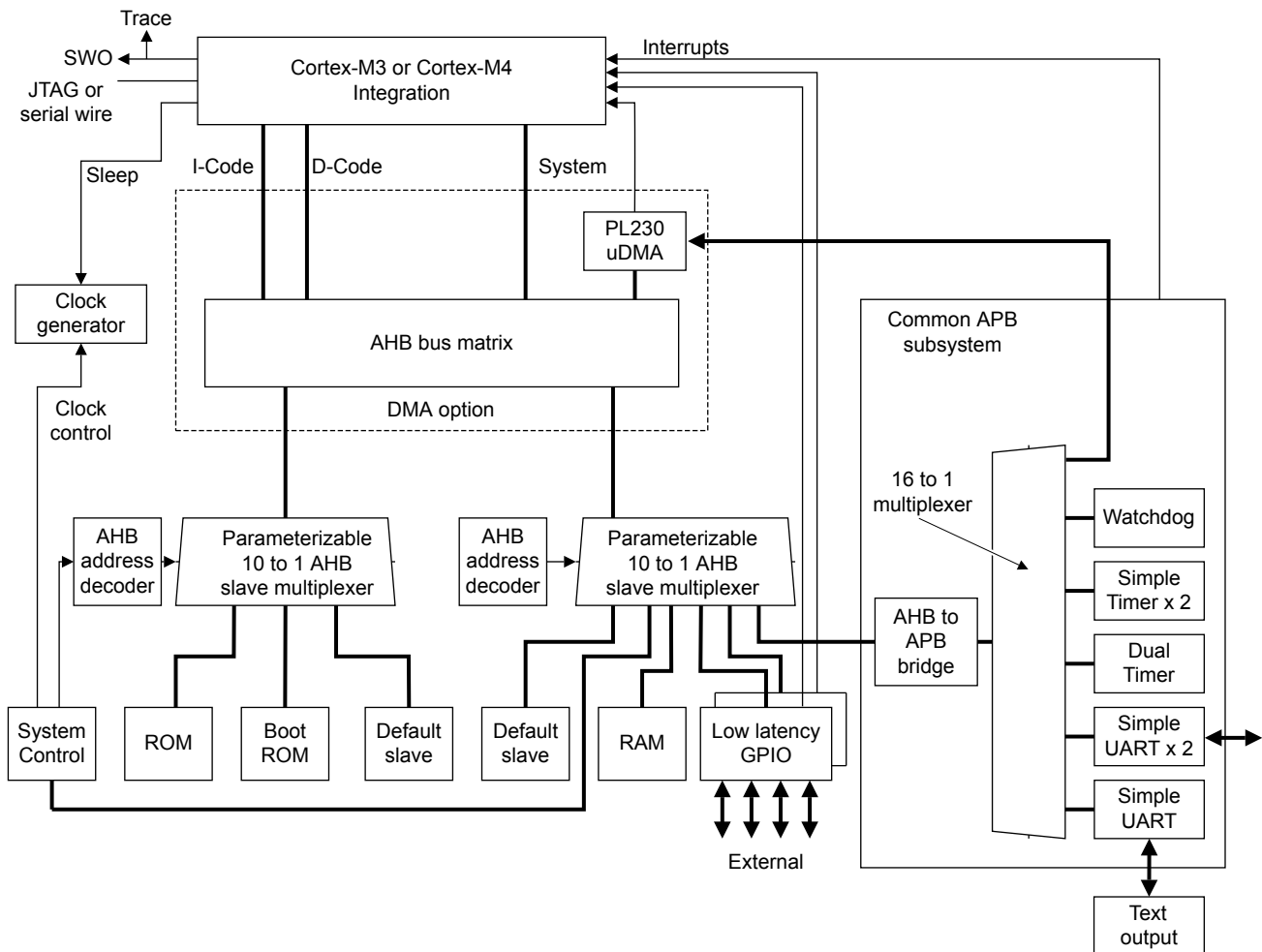


Figure 2-3 CMSDK example system

Note

The μ DMA Controller (PL230) is not included in the SDK-200 license and, if instantiated, must be licensed separately. See the *Arm[®] PrimeCell μ DMA Controller (PL230) Technical Reference Manual* for more information.

2.3.2 Components

The CMSDK example system consists of the following components and models:

- Basic AHB-Lite components.
- APB components.
- Advanced AHB-Lite components.
- Behavioral memory models.

2.3.3 Cortex-M Software Design Kit software

The Cortex-M System Design Kit includes the following software:

- CMSIS-compliant drivers.
- Device-specific header files, startup code, and example drivers including retargeting code for the `printf()` and `puts()` functions.
- Platform hardware adaptation layer code that is required in addition to the open-source code and generic Cortex-M processor header files.

- Mbed OS driver support.
- Further Cortex-M code is available on the Mbed website.
- Shell scripts to sync, build, and run the software.

2.4 Cortex-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit

The Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ System Design Kit provides:

- An example system-level design for the Arm Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ processors.
- Reusable AMBA components for system-level development from the CMSDK.

For information on the AMBA components that the design kit uses, see the *Arm® Cortex®-M System Design Kit Technical Reference Manual*.

This section contains the following subsections:

- [2.4.1 About the example system on page 2-24.](#)
- [2.4.2 Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ software on page 2-25.](#)

2.4.1 About the example system

The *Arm Cortex-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit Example System Guide* describes an example system for the Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ processors.

Figure 2-3 CMSDK example system on page 2-22 shows the example system block diagram. The following figure shows the testbench of the example system.

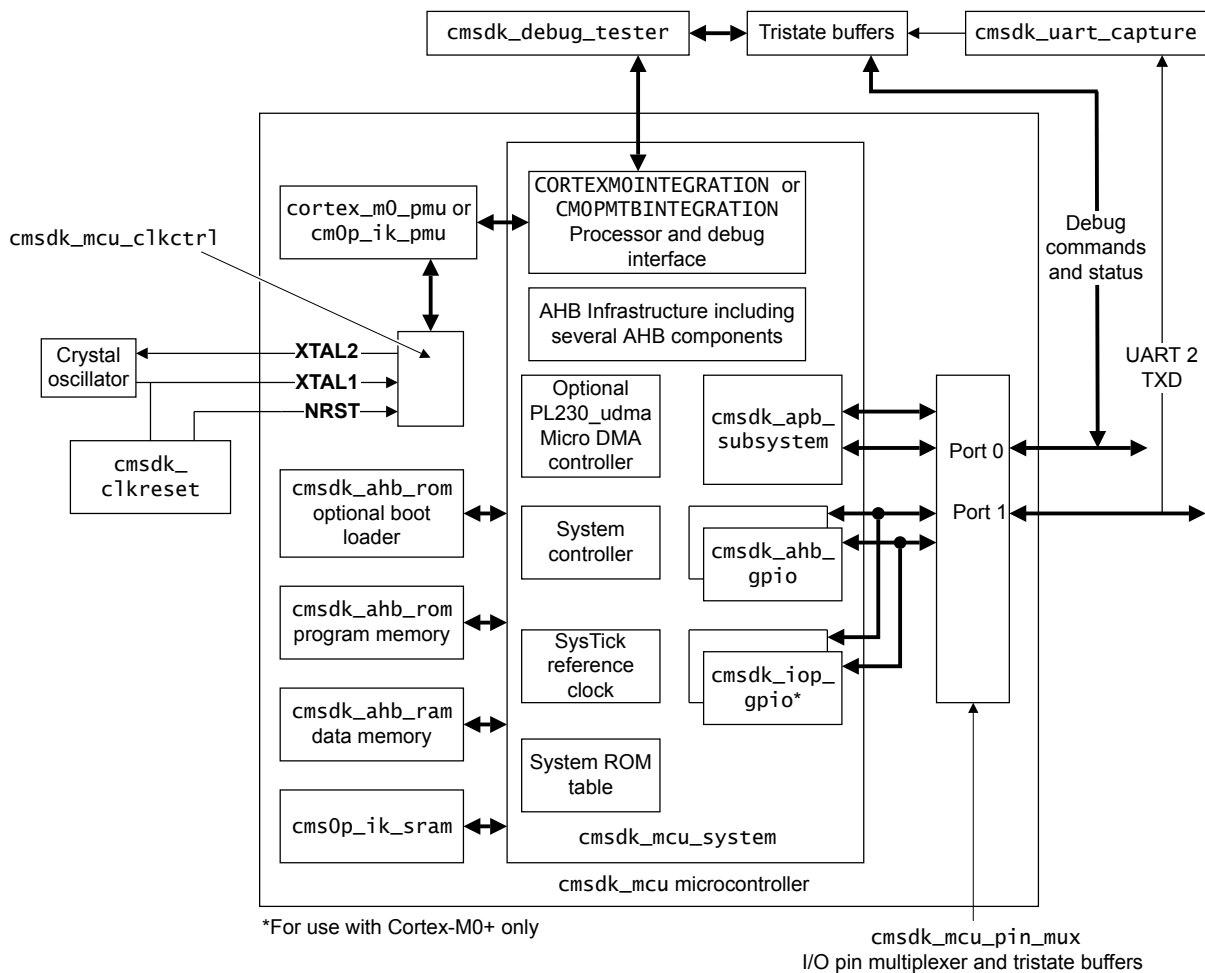


Figure 2-4 CMSDK example system

The example system is a simple microcontroller design that contains the following:

- A single Cortex-M0 or Cortex-M0+ processor.
- Internal program memory.
- SRAM data memory.
- Boot loader.
- The following peripherals:
 - Several timers.
 - *General-Purpose input/output (GPIO)*.
 - *Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter (UART)*.
 - Watchdog timer.
- Debug connection.

Note

The optional μ DMA Controller (PL230) is not included in the SDK-200 license and, if instantiated, must be licensed separately. See the *Arm® PrimeCell μ DMA Controller (PL230) Technical Reference Manual* for more information.

2.4.2 Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ software

The Cortex-M0 and M0+ System Design Kit products include the following software:

- CMSIS-compliant drivers.
- Device-specific header files, startup code, and example drivers including retargeting code for the `printf()` and `puts()` functions.
- Platform hardware adaptation layer code that is required in addition to the open-source code and generic Cortex-M processor header files.
- Mbed OS driver support.

Further Cortex-M0 and Cortex-M0+ code is available on the Mbed website.

- Shell scripts to sync, build, and run the software.

2.5 SIE-200 System IP for Embedded

The CoreLink SIE-200 System IP for Embedded product is a collection of interconnect, peripheral, and TrustZone controller components for use with a processor that complies with the ARMv8-M processor architecture and the AMBA 5 AHB5 protocol.

The SIE-200 components are used in the SSE-200 product, but you can also use the SIE-200 components to create your own custom system.

The CoreLink SIE-200 System IP for Embedded consists of the following components and models that support the AHB5 standard:

- AHB5 system components.
- AHB5 bridge components.
- TrustZone protection controllers.
- Verification components.

2.6 CoreLink CG092 AHB Flash Cache

The CG092 AHB Flash Cache is an instruction cache that is instantiated between the bus interconnect and the eFlash controller.

The CG092 is a simple cache for on-chip *embedded Flash* (eFlash). The CG092 design is optimized for fetching Cortex-M3 or Cortex-M4 instructions directly from an eFlash. The main benefit of the CG092 is improved power efficiency, but there are also improvements in code fetching performance.

Note

The AHB Flash Cache can also be used with external eFlash if the Flash controller is modified accordingly.

The following figure shows the connections in a typical Flash subsystem.

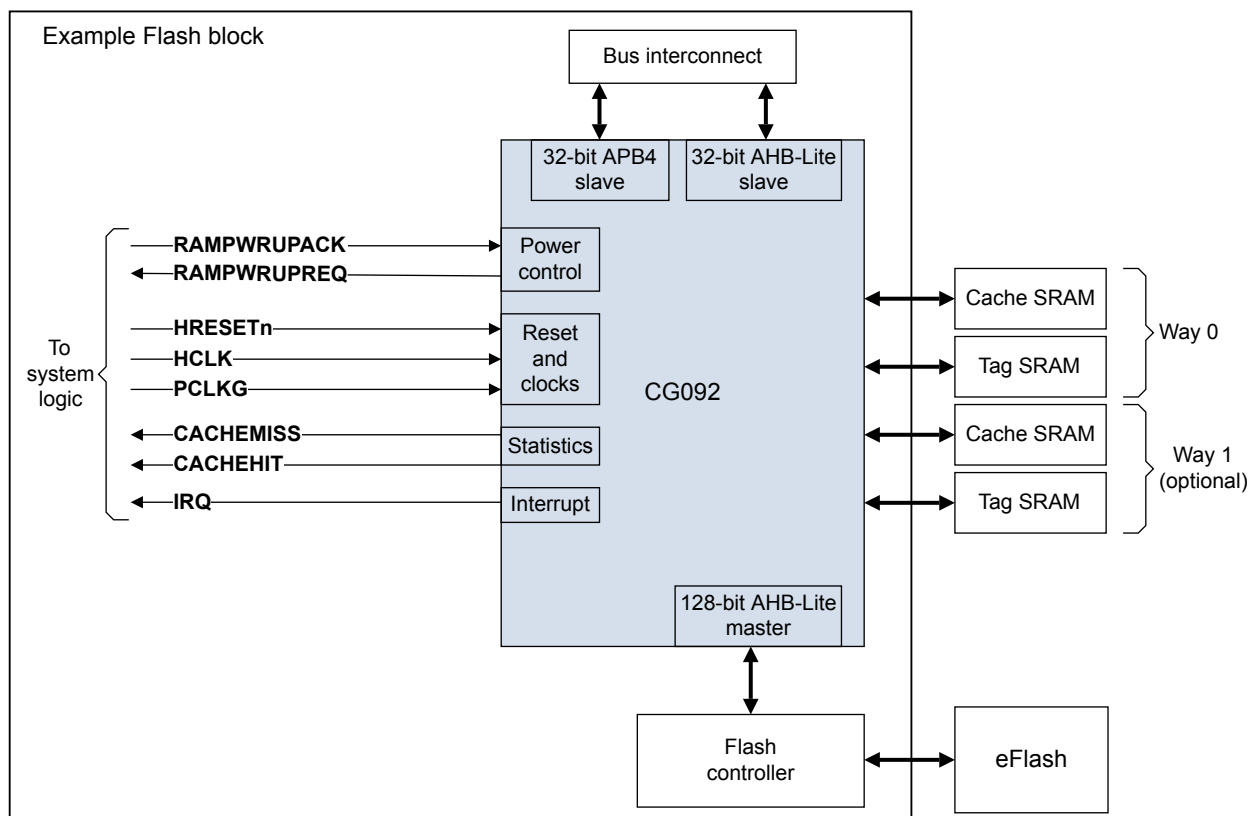


Figure 2-5 Example eFlash implementation

2.7 LPD-500 Low Power Distributor

The LPD-500 Low Power Distributor is a standalone configurable component to distribute Q-Channel interfaces to multiple devices and subsystems.

Q-Channels are used to manage quiescence, in components of the system that allow the clock to be gated off or power to be removed, to save power when not operational.

The LPD-500 can be used as an expander or sequencer. The following figure shows its use as an expander:

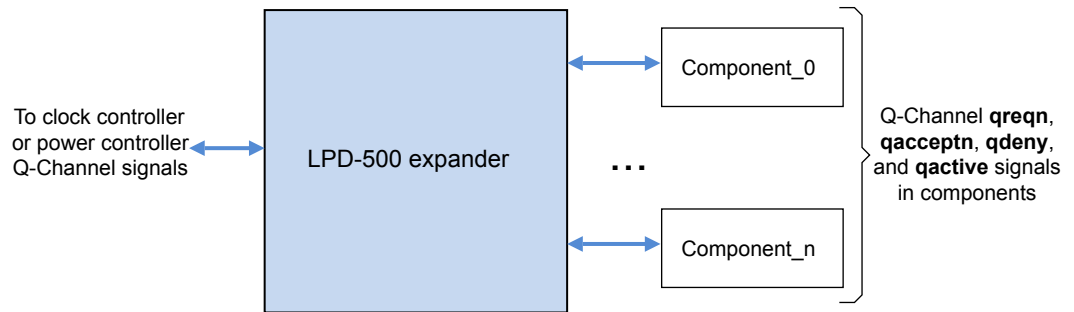


Figure 2-6 LPD-500 expander connections

2.8 Real Time Clock

The *Real Time Clock* (RTC) is an AMBA slave module that connects to the *Advanced Peripheral Bus* (APB).

The following figure shows the RTC block diagram.

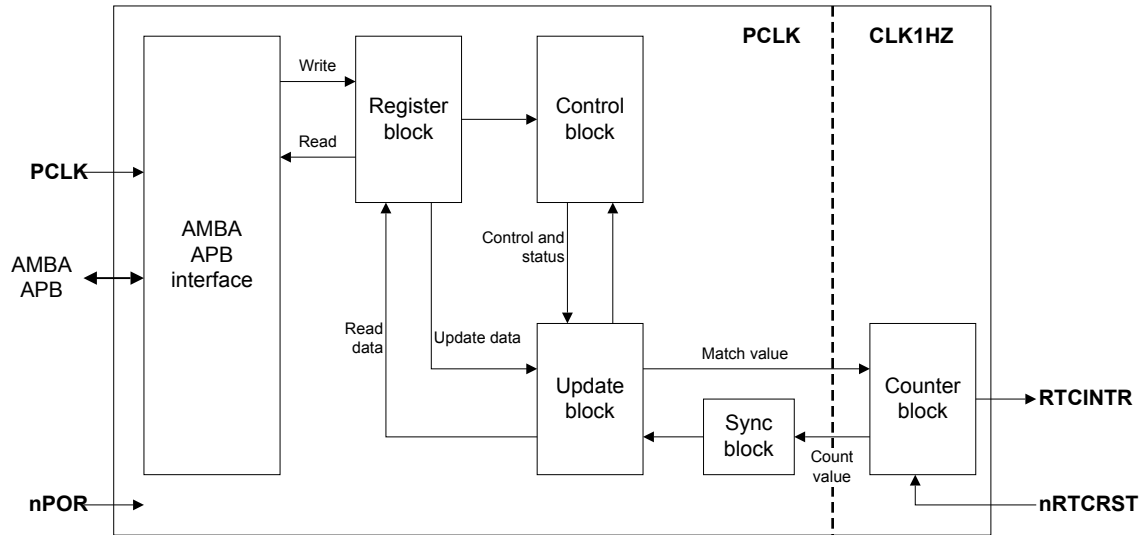


Figure 2-7 RTC block diagram

The RTC can be used to provide a basic alarm function or long time base counter. This is achieved by generating an interrupt signal after counting for a programmed number of cycles of a real-time clock input. Counting in one second intervals requires a 1Hz clock input to the RTC.

2.9 True Random Number Generator

The *True Random Number Generator* (TRNG) provides an assured level of entropy (as analyzed by Entropy Estimation logic). The output from the TRNG can be used to seed deterministic random bit generators.

The following figure shows the TRNG.

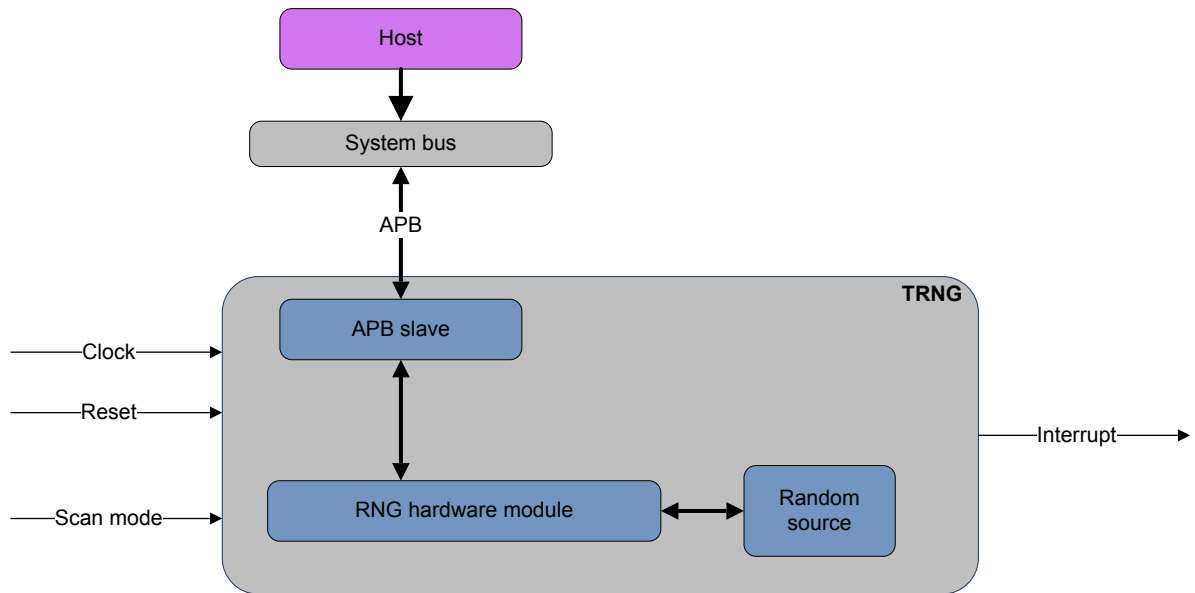


Figure 2-8 TRNG hardware overview

Appendix A

Revisions

This appendix describes the technical changes between released issues of this book.

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Table A-1 Issue 0000-00

Change	Location	Affects
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Table A-2 Issue 0100-00

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