

Azure RTOS

Simplify IoT and Empower Innovation

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What is Real-Time of Embedded Systems?

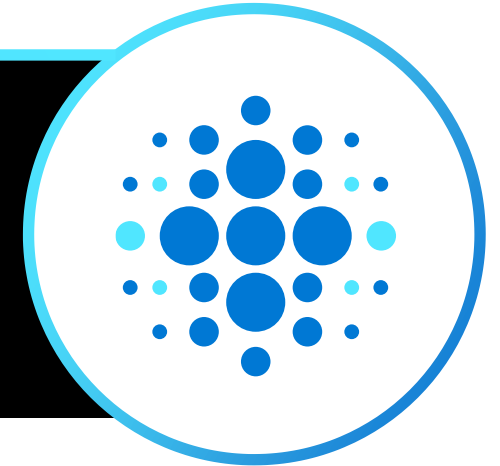
- Must respond to inputs or events within prescribed time limits
- Must operate within specified time constraints
- Important subclasses of Real-Time:
 - Hard Real-Time
 - Must meet deadlines 100% of the time
 - Generally true of safety-critical systems
 - Soft Real-Time
 - Must meet deadlines under normal conditions
 - Generally true of consumer electronics



NASA Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter

What is a RTOS?

A **Real-Time Operating System (RTOS)** is system software that provides services and manages processor resources for applications. These resources include processor cycles, memory, peripherals, and interrupts.



The main purpose of a RTOS is to allocate processing time among various duties the embedded software must perform.

Think:

Small and fast

A dedicated purpose

Require real-time, deterministic processing

Typical MCU (<512KB memory, <200MHz, 32-bit, MMU not req.)



Microsoft Learning Path for Azure RTOS ThreadX

```
60     Urgent_entry, 0,  
61     Urgent_stack_ptr, STACK_SIZE, 5, 5,  
62     TX_NO_TIME_SLICE, TX_AUTO_START);  
63  
64     /* Allocate the stack for the Routine thread. */  
65     tx_byte_allocate(&my_byte_pool, (VOID**)&Routine_stack_ptr,  
66                     STACK_SIZE, TX_NO_WAIT);  
67  
68     /* Create the Routine thread. */  
69     tx_thread_create(&Routine, "Routine",  
70                     Routine_entry, 1, Routine_stack_ptr,  
71                     STACK_SIZE, 15, 15,  
72                     TX_NO_TIME_SLICE, TX_AUTO_START);  
73  
74     /* Create the mutex used by both threads */  
75     tx_mutex_create(&Processor, "Processor", TX_NO_INHERIT);  
76  
77  
78     /******  
79     /* Function Definitions  
80     /******  
81  
82     /* Entry function definition of Urgent  
83     /* it has a higher priority than Routine */  
84  
85     void Urgent_entry(ULONG thread_input)  
86     {  
87         ULONG current_time;
```

Microsoft



Satya Narayana Nadella

- 11 Modules, 8 step-by-step sample projects on GitHub
- Run sample projects without needing actual dev boards, or even toolchain
- Digital certification badges
- It's all free! More learning path will come online soon.

<https://aka.ms/azrtos-threadx-learning>

Best book to learn RTOS from fundamental



Real-Time Embedded Multithreading With Azure RTOS ThreadX

Fourth Edition

Edward L. Lamie

Published: *March 23, 2022*

Chapter 4

RTOS Building Blocks for System Development

Introduction

An RTOS must provide a variety of services to the developer of real-time embedded systems. These services allow the developer to create, manipulate, and manage system resources and entities in order to facilitate application development. The major goal of this chapter is to review the services and components that are available with Azure RTOS ThreadX. Figure 19 contains a summary of these services and components.

Threads	Message Queues	Counting Semaphores
Mutexes	Event Flags	Memory Block Pools
Memory Byte Pools	Application Timers	Time Counter & Interrupt Control

Figure 19. Azure RTOS ThreadX components

Introducing Azure RTOS

A comprehensive suite of multithreading facilities, middleware, and Windows tools for developing embedded IoT applications.



Small, fast, & safe real-time performance

for resource-constrained devices

- Remarkably small footprint (min 2KB, min 50KB cloud connect)
- Ultra fast (sub 1 μ s APIs/context switches)
- Deterministic
- Safe, field proven over 24 years with **10 billion** devices deployed.



A comprehensive, and easy-to-use solution

for fast get-to-market

- Comprehensive solution of middleware (File, GUI, Networking, and USB)
- Simple to use
- Supports the most popular architecture and embedded development tools



Access to the power of Azure IoT

with multiple paths to connect IoT devices to the benefits of Azure

- Out-of-the-box connectivity to Azure IoT
- Azure Defender integration helps protect devices from attack
- Azure Device Update for IoT Hub

Where is Azure RTOS being used?



Already used in more than **10 billion** devices worldwide

Azure RTOS system components

Every Azure RTOS component is fully connected, easy to use—and helps developers get to market faster.



Azure RTOS ThreadX

A high-performance real-time operating system
(SIL 4, ASIL D, Med. Class C)



Azure RTOS NetX and NetX Duo

A TCP/IP IPv4/IPv6 embedded network stack that includes cloud connectivity and IPsec and TLS/DTLS security protocols
(SIL 4, ASIL D, Med. Class C, EAL 4+, FIPS 140-2)



Azure RTOS FileX

An embedded FAT file system that offers optional fault tolerant features
(SIL 4, ASIL D, Med. Class C)



Azure RTOS GUIX Studio and GUIX

A complete design environment and run-time to create and maintain 2D graphical user interfaces
(SIL 4, ASIL D, Med. Class C)



Azure RTOS USBX

A USB stack that provides host, device, and on-the-go support
(SIL 4, ASIL D, Med. Class C)



Azure RTOS TraceX

A graphical view of real-time events to help you analyze system-level behavior for problem solving and tuning

Pre-certified by Safety and Security Standards

Pre-certified by TÜV and UL to reduce time-to-market for safety critical IoT devices

- IEC 61508 SIL4 – functional safety standard applicable to all industries
- IEC 62304 SW Class C – Medical devices
- ISO 26262 ASIL D – Automotive applications
- EN 50128 – Railway applications
- UL/IEC 60730-1 Class B – Automatic Electrical controls
- UL/IEC 60335-1 Class B – Home Appliance
- Azure RTOS ThreadX and middleware pre-certified include FileX, NetX Duo, GUIX and USBX
- Artifacts (Certificate, Safety Manual, Test Report, etc.) are available to license.



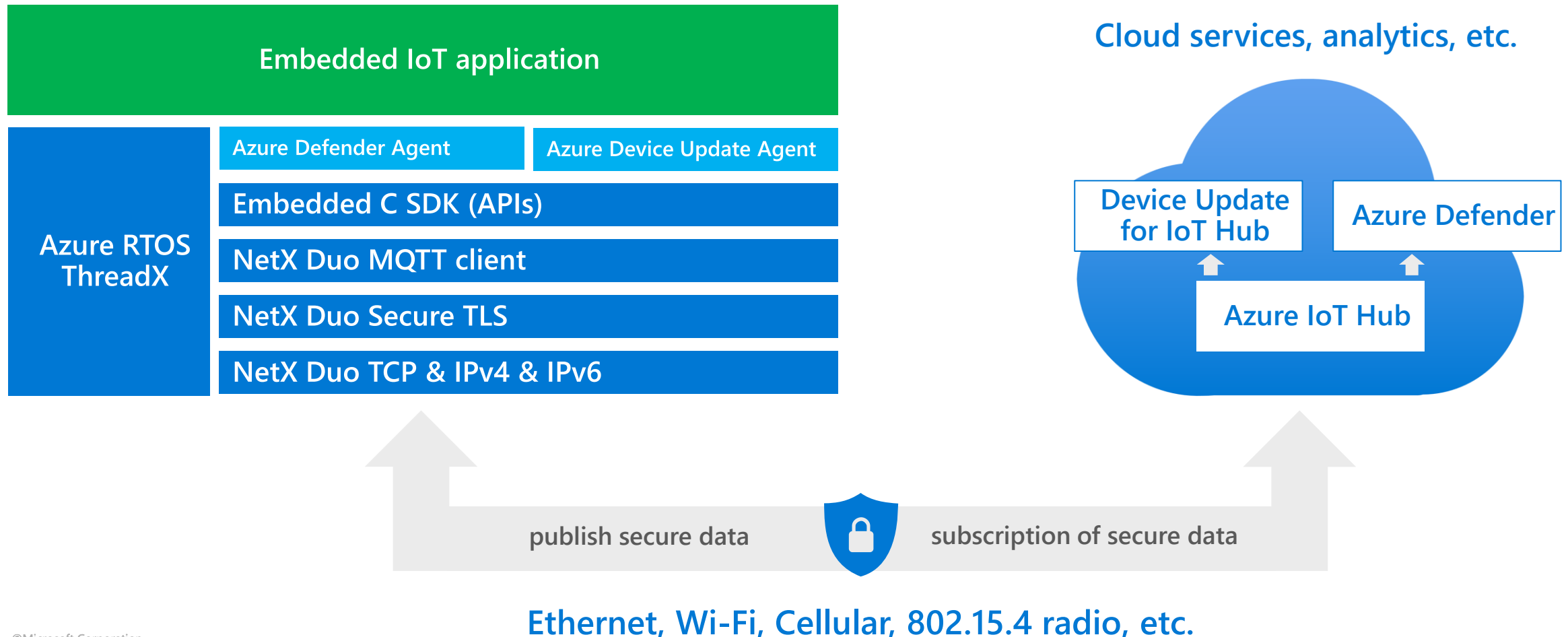
Design with high security standard and pre-certified

- Security features: TLS1.3, DTLS1.2 and software crypto library.
- Hardware security integration:
 - Secure Element and general hardware security integration
 - ARMv8-M TrustZone and TF-M integration
 - PSA and PKCS#11 API support
- Pre-certified PSA Certified Level 1 and SESIP Level 3(ongoing)

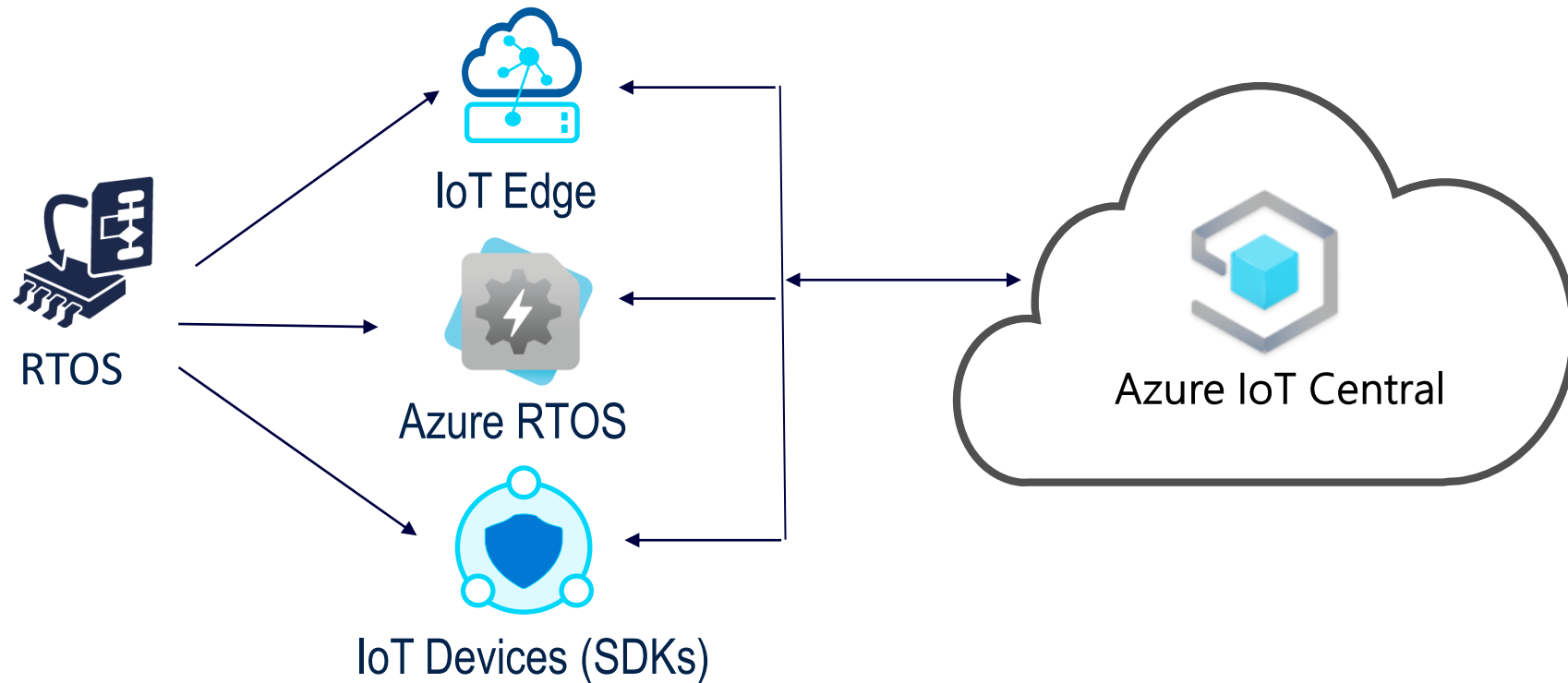


Azure RTOS: Industrial-grade connectivity to the cloud

IoT sensors, devices, edge routers, gateways



Microsoft and ST Partnership – IoT Solutions



Azure RTOS Native Integration in STM32Cube Ecosystem

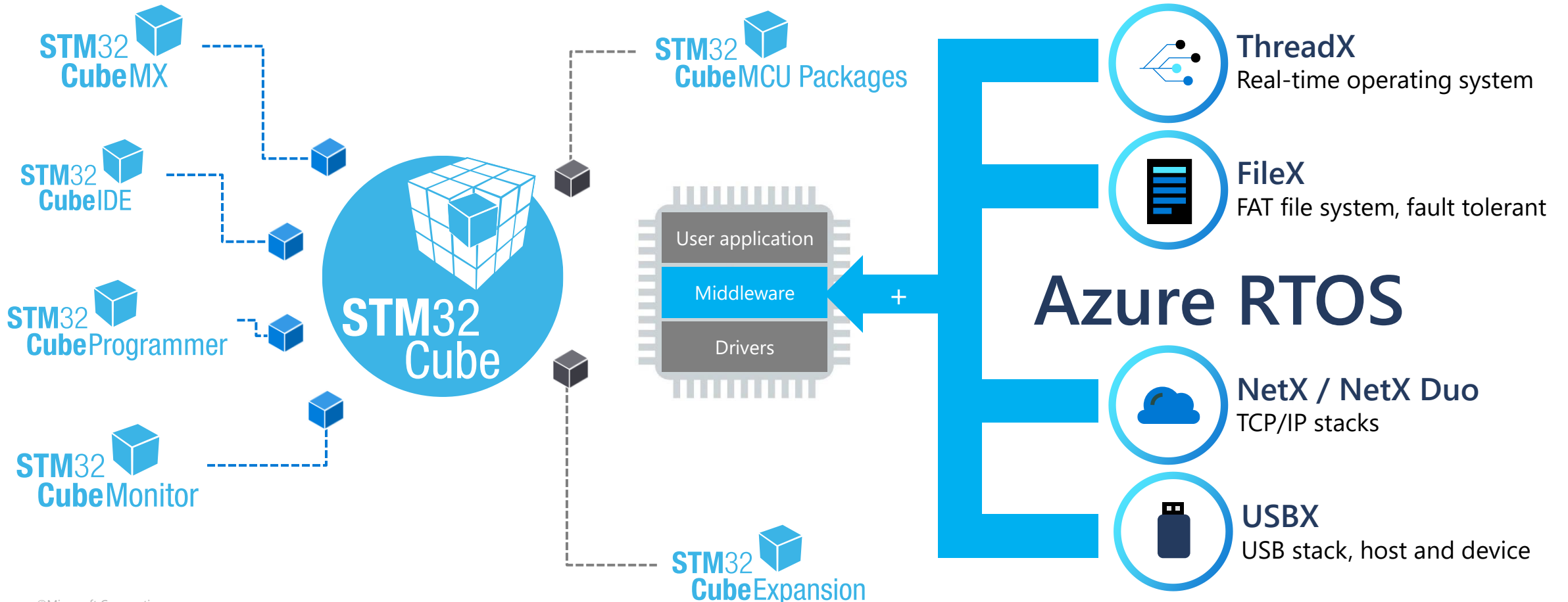
Software Tools



Embedded Software



Complemented with Microsoft Azure RTOS



Azure IoT Development Kits

B-U585I-IOT02A
 ARM® Cortex® -M33
TODAY – [Available](#)



**Azure IoT Hub/
IoT Central**

Ultra-low-power STM32U585AI16Q microcontroller based on the Arm® Cortex® -M33 core with Arm® TrustZone®

2 Mbytes of Flash memory and 786 Kbytes of SRAM, and SMPS in UFBGA169 package
 512-Mbit Quad-SPI Flash memory, 64-Mbit Octo-SPI PSRAM, 256-Kbit I2C EEPROM

802.11 b/g/n compliant Wi-Fi® MXCHIP module, Bluetooth Low Energy from STMicro

Wide range of MEMS sensors from STMicro

**Azure Certified
Azure IoT Plug and Play**

B-L4S5I-IOT01A
 ARM® Cortex® -M4
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Ultra-low-power STM32L4+ Series STM32L4S5VIT6 microcontroller based on the Arm® Cortex® -M4 core

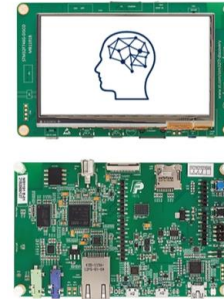
2 Mbytes of Flash memory and 640 Kbytes of RAM in LQFP100 package
 64-Mbit Quad-SPI Flash memory from Macronix™

802.11 b/g/n compliant Wi-Fi® Inventek module, Dynamic NFC tag

Wide range of MEMS sensors from STMicro

Azure Certified

32F746GDISCOVERY
 ARM® Cortex® -M7
TODAY – [Available](#)



**Azure IoT Hub/
IoT Central**

STM32F746NGH6 Arm® Cortex® core-based microcontroller

1 Mbyte of Flash memory and 340 Kbytes of RAM, in BGA216 package

Ethernet compliant with IEEE-802.3-2002

Wide range of MEMS sensors from STMicro

Azure Certified

STM32MP157A/D
 ARM® Cortex® -A7
TODAY – [Available](#)



Azure IoT Hub

STM32MP157 Arm® -based dual Cortex® -A7 800 MHz 32 bits + Cortex® -M4 32 bits MPU in TFBGA361 package

Linux
 Azure IoT Edge Runtime

Ethernet compliant with IEEE-802.3-2002

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Azure IoT Plug and Play**

Azure RTOS – More Learning Resources

- GitHub: <https://github.com/azure-rtos>
 - Source code for all products
 - Getting started samples
 - Samples for Semiconductor IDEs and IAR Workbench
- Docs: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/rtos/>
 - Detailed docs for each middleware
 - APIs
- IoT Show: <https://aka.ms/iotshow>

The screenshot shows the YouTube channel page for 'IoT Show'. The channel has 167 videos and 2,393 views, updated yesterday. The page displays a list of seven videos, each with a thumbnail, title, duration, and 'Added by Microsoft IoT Developers' tag. The videos are:

1. The IoT Show: How to securely update an Azure RTOS device over the air (24:04)
2. The IoT Show: How to scale and smarten up a real-life energy grid with Azure IoT (17:54)
3. The IoT Show: A story about sending IoT devices to space (12:30)
4. IoT Show: Connect your devices managed with Mender.io to Azure IoT (18:43)
5. The IoT Show: An Arduino library to connect devices to Azure IoT (18:33)
6. IoT Show: How Azure Sphere can simplify securing your LoRaWAN gateway (24:12)
7. IoT Show: Introducing Meadow - Enterprise-Grade IoT for .NET developers (20:23)

Call to Actions

- Join Azure IoT session in Day3
 - Azure IoT Product Portfolio
 - Fun demos of Azure Device Update, Azure IoT Central, etc.
- Join idea contest and prototype your ideas
 - Sample projects will be published for dev boards hardware

Thank you

