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Introducing the xG26 Platform

How MG26, PG26, and B26 fit in the IoT Landscape

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Introducing MG26

A Complete Matter Solution

MG26 Key Features

- **Largest combination of Flash and RAM**
  - Future proofs deployed devices as specifications like Matter evolve over time
  - Eliminates the need for external flash for OTA updates
  - Enables Concurrent Multiprotocol for Zigbee and Thread end devices
- **Rich peripheral set with large number of GPIOs enables better system integration**
  - Up to 64 GPIOs and 4 dedicated analog pins expand the applications that can be supported with a single chip
  - LCD driver supporting up to 288 segments
- **High performance compute**
  - The tri-core device has a 78MHz M33 application core and dedicated cores for both the radio and security subsystems
  - AI/ML accelerator further offloads compute intensive tasks for machine learning – more RAM enables more complex ML applications
- **Robust RF performance provide long-range and reliable communication**
  - Best-in-class RF performance for reliable RF communication without the need for an external FEM (Front End Module)
- **Robust Security protects the data and the device**
  - Secure Vault High is designed for PSA Level 3 and protects against local and remote attacks
- **Low power enables smaller batteries and provides longer battery life**
  - Low active and sleep current enable ability to run on coin cell batteries and provide battery life measured in years
- **Pin compatible with MG24 SoCs and Modules**
  - Pin compatible options allow easy migration for devices that need more memory and ML capabilities

MG26: Addressing High-end, Low power IoT Mesh Devices

matter zigbee

THREAD

Bluetooth® Proprietary

6x6 QFN48 (32 GPIO)
6x6 QFN48 (28 GPIO + 4 AIN)
8x8 QFN68 (49 GPIO)
8x8 QFN68 (45 GPIO + 4 AIN)
7x7 BGA136 (64 GPIO + 4 AIN)

DIFFERENTIATED FEATURES

- **Large Flash and RAM**
  - Enables more features and applications
  - Future proofs product
- **High GPIO Count**
  - Allows for better system integration
  - Up 64 GPIO & 4 analog in
- **Concurrent Multiprotocol Support**
  - Zigbee & Thread CMP for end devices
- **Secure Vault™ High**
  - Designed for PSA Level 3
  - Protects the data and the device
- **Segment LCD Driver**
  - Simplified UI design and BOM consolidation
  - Up to 288 segments
- **AI/ML Accelerator**
  - 8x faster and 6x lower power
  - Large RAM improves audio inferencing
- **PLFRCO**
  - Eliminates need for 32 KHz crystal
- **Advanced Sensing**
  - 20-bit ADC with 16-bit ENOB
- **Package and Firmware Compatible with MG24**
  - Migration path to more Flash and RAM
  - 6x6 QFN48

DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS

- **High Performance Radio**
  - Up to +19.5 dBm TX
  - -105.4 dBm sensitivity @ 250 kbps (802.15.4)
  - -97.6 dBm RX @ BLE 1 Mbps
  - -105.9 dBm RX @ 125 kbps GFSK
- **Efficient ARM® Cortex®-M33**
  - 78 MHz
  - Up to 3200 kB Flash
  - Up to 512 kB RAM
- **Low Power**
  - 5.9 mA TX @ 0 dBm
  - 6.2 mA RX (802.15.4)
  - 5.4 mA RX (BLE 1 Mbps)
  - 19.5 mA TX @ +10 dBm
  - 1.4 µA EM2 sleep
  - 53.9 µA/MHz (Coremark)
- **Wide Operating Range**
  - 1.71 to 3.8 volts
  - +125ºC operating temperature
- **Multiple Protocol Support**
  - Matter, Thread, Zigbee, Bluetooth (1M/2M/LR), Bluetooth mesh, Proprietary, DMP and CMP

MGM260P – Our Highest performance 2.4 GHz Module for Fast Time to Market

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Bluetooth® THREAD

12.9 x 15.0 mm (29 GPIO)

DIFFERENTIATED FEATURES

- Large Memory
  - Up to 512kB RAM
  - Up to 3200kB Flash
- Concurrent Multiprotocol Support
  - Zigbee & Thread CMP for end devices
- **Faster Inferencing with AI/ML Accelerator**
  - 8x faster and 6x lower power
  - Large RAM improves audio inferencing
- **Secure Vault™ High**
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  - Protects the data and the device
- **PLFRCO**
  - Eliminates need for 32 KHz crystal
- **Advanced Sensing**
  - 16-bit ADC
- **Easy migration path to xG26 SoCs**
  - Pin Compatible with xGM240P Module
- **Certifications**
  - Reduced development time and cost
  - Shielded, Fully Certified
  - FCC, IC, CE, MIC, KCC

DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS

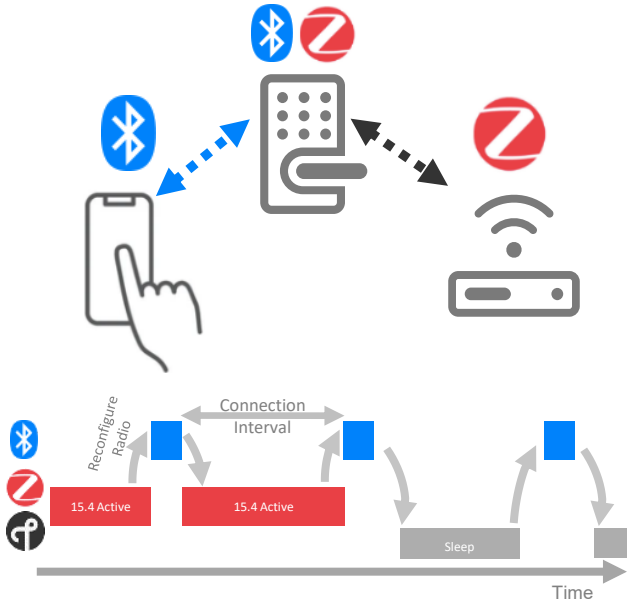
- **High Performance Radio**
  - -98.3 dBm RX @ BLE 1 Mbps
  - -106.1 dBm RX @ 802.15.4
  - Up to +20 dBm output power
- **Efficient ARM® Cortex®-M33**
  - Operating Frequency: Up to 78 MHz
- **Low Power**
  - 5.7 mA RX current @1 Mbps
  - 6.8 mA @ 0 dBm TX current
  - 19.4 mA @ +10 dBm TX current
  - 1.4 µA EM2 sleep current
  - 59.3 µA/MHz (EM0)
- **Wide Operating Range**
  - 1.8 to 3.8 volts
  - -40ºC to +125ºC operating temperature

Silicon Labs' 2.4GHz SoC Portfolio

	*x*G12	*x*G21	*x*G24	*x*G26
Protocols				
Frequency Bands	2.4 GHz, Sub-GHz	2.4 GHz	2.4 GHz	2.4 GHz
Core	Cortex-M4 (40 MHz)	Cortex-M33 (80 MHz)	Cortex-M33 (78 MHz)	Cortex-M33 (78 MHz)
Max Flash	1024 kB	1024 kB	1536 kB	3200 kB
Max RAM	256 kB	96 kB	256 kB	512 kB
Security	Secure Vault - Base	Secure Vault - Mid Secure Vault - High	Secure Vault - Mid Secure Vault - High	Secure Vault - Mid Secure Vault - High
Rx Sensitivity (15.4)	-102.7 dBm	-104.3 dBm	-105.4 dBm	-105.4 dBm
Rx Sensitivity (BLE 1Mbps)	-94.8 dBm	-97.1 dBm	-97.6 dBm	-97.6 dBm
Active Current (CoreMark)	85 µA/MHz	50,9 µA/MHz	49.1 µA/MHz	53.9 µA/MHz
Sleep Current (EM2, 16 kB ret)	1.5 µA	4.5 µA	1.3 µA	1.4 µA
TX Current @ +0 dBm (2.4 GHz)	9.5 mA	9.9 mA	5.0 mA	5.9 mA
TX Current @ +10 dBm (2.4 GHz)	34 mA	34.9 mA	19.1 mA	19.5 mA
TX Current @ +20 dBm (2.4 GHz)	131 mA	186.5 mA	156.8 mA	152.7 mA
RX Current (802.15.4)	12.5 mA	9.4 mA	5.1 mA	6.2 mA
RX Current (BLE 1 Mbps)	10.9 mA	8.8 mA	4.4 mA	5.4 mA
Serial Peripherals	USART, I2C	USART, I2C	USART, EUSART, I2C	USART, EUSART, I2C
Analog Peripherals	12-bit ADC, ACMP, VDAC	12-bit ADC, ACMP	20-bit ADC, ACMP, VDAC	20-bit ADC, ACMP, VDAC
Other	PCTN, LESENSE	Die Temp Sensor	Die Temp Sensor	Die Temp Sensor, Segment LCD
Operating Voltage	1.8 V to 3.8 V	1.71 V to 3.8 V	1.71 V to 3.8 V	1.71 V to 3.8 V
Package	7x7 QFN48 (31 GPIO) 8x8 QFN68 (46 GPIO) 8x8 BGA125 (65 GPIO)	4x4 QFN32 (20 GPIO)	5x5 QFN40 (26 GPIO) 6x6 QFN48 (32 GPIO) 6x6 QFN48 (28 GPIO + 4 AIN)	6x6 QFN48 (32 GPIO) 6x6 QFN48 (28 GPIO + 4 AIN) 8x8 QFN68 (49 GPIO) 8x8 QFN68 (45 GPIO + 4 AIN) 7x7 BGA136 (64 GPIO + 4 AIN)

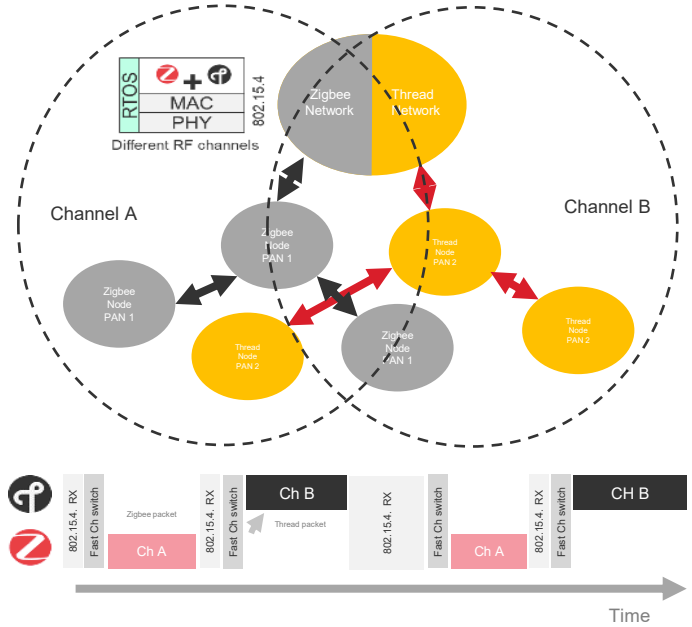
xG26 DMP & CMP Support

DYNAMIC MULTIPROTOCOL (DMP)



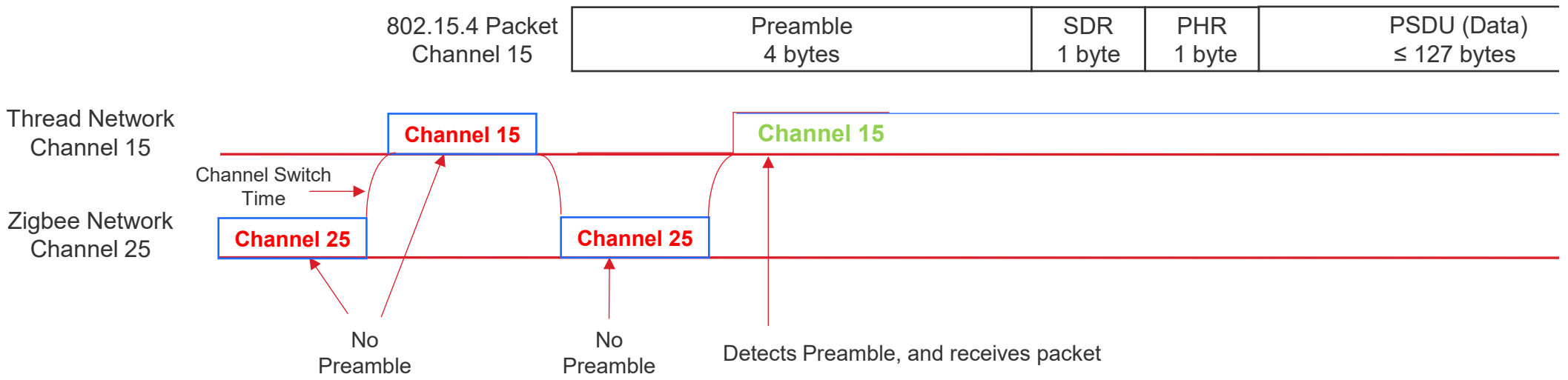
- Time-sliced operation of two protocols (such as BLE and Zigbee)
- Enables direct phone connectivity
  - Enhanced UI for commissioning, etc.

CONCURRENT MULTIPROTOCOL (CMP)



- Concurrent operation of Zigbee and Thread
  - Operation is on the same or different (Fast Channel switching) channels
- HW based Fast Channel switching
  - CMP with Concurrent Listening
    - Zigbee and Thread are on different channels
    - Supported on MG21, MG24 for gateways and hubs (NCP/RCP)
    - Supported on MG26 gateways and hubs as well as end devices (SoC)

Concurrent Multiprotocol Example



- **Device switches between channels**
- **When a valid 802.15.4 preamble is detected**
  - Stays on channel to receive the entire packet
  - Checks to see if it is a valid packet for the network and device
  - Transmits acknowledgement (if required)
- **Switches to the next channel and repeats the process**

CMP Blog for more information

MG26 Summary

- **The MG26 family is Silicon Labs' highest performance wireless SOC for Series 2**
- **Leads the market with combination of best-in-class link budget, Flash, RAM, and GPIOs**
  - Removes the need of external Flash for Matter
  - Large number of GPIOs and rich peripherals enable better system integration
  - Enables more complex applications
  - Reduces BOM cost and PCB area
- **The tri-core device offloads security and radio critical tasks while freeing up the M33 for customer apps**
- **ML accelerator enables faster inferencing at lower power and large RAM enables more ML applications**
- **Secure Vault High provides support for industry-leading PSA Level 3 certification**
- **Best-in-class RF performance for reliable RF communication**
- **Low active and sleep current enable coin cell batteries and provide battery life measured in years**
- **Pin compatibility with MG24 and MGM240P enables migration to more memory and ML capabilities**
  - xG26 6x6 QFN48 is pin compatible with xG24 QFN48
  - xGM260P module is pin compatible with xGM240P module

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Introducing PG26

More peripherals with the same low power performance

Introducing PG26

- **Large combination of Flash and RAM to meet the needs of more challenging applications**
  - Allows for more complex AI/ML algorithms and larger customer applications
- **Rich peripheral set with large number of GPIOs enables better system integration**
  - Up to 64 GPIOs + 4 additional analog only pins reduces the need for external components
  - Integrated LCD driver to support up to 288 segments
- **High performance, multi-core compute platform improved efficiency**
  - 80MHz Cortex-M33 core to meet demanding real time processing needs
  - Additional security core for isolation and to ensure more cycles remain for customer application
- **Firmware compatible with other Series 2 MCUs**
  - Simplifies designs for connected and non-connected products
  - Package compatibility for 2.4GHz and Sub-GHz wireless SoC options

PG26 – High Performance and More GPIOs for More Complex Applications

32 **32-Bit MCU**

6x6 QFN48 (28 GPIO + 4 AIN)

8x8 QFN68 (48 GPIO + 4 AIN)

7x7 BGA136 (64 GPIO + 4 AIN)

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- **Segment LCD Driver**
  - Simplified UI design and BOM consolidation
  - Up to 288 segments
- **Secure Vault™ High**
  - Upgraded security over Series 0 and Series 1
  - Consistent across wired and wireless platforms
- **Package and Firmware Compatible with PG28**
  - Migration path to more Flash and RAM
- **Software Compatible with xG2x Wireless SoCs**
  - Easy migration to wireless support

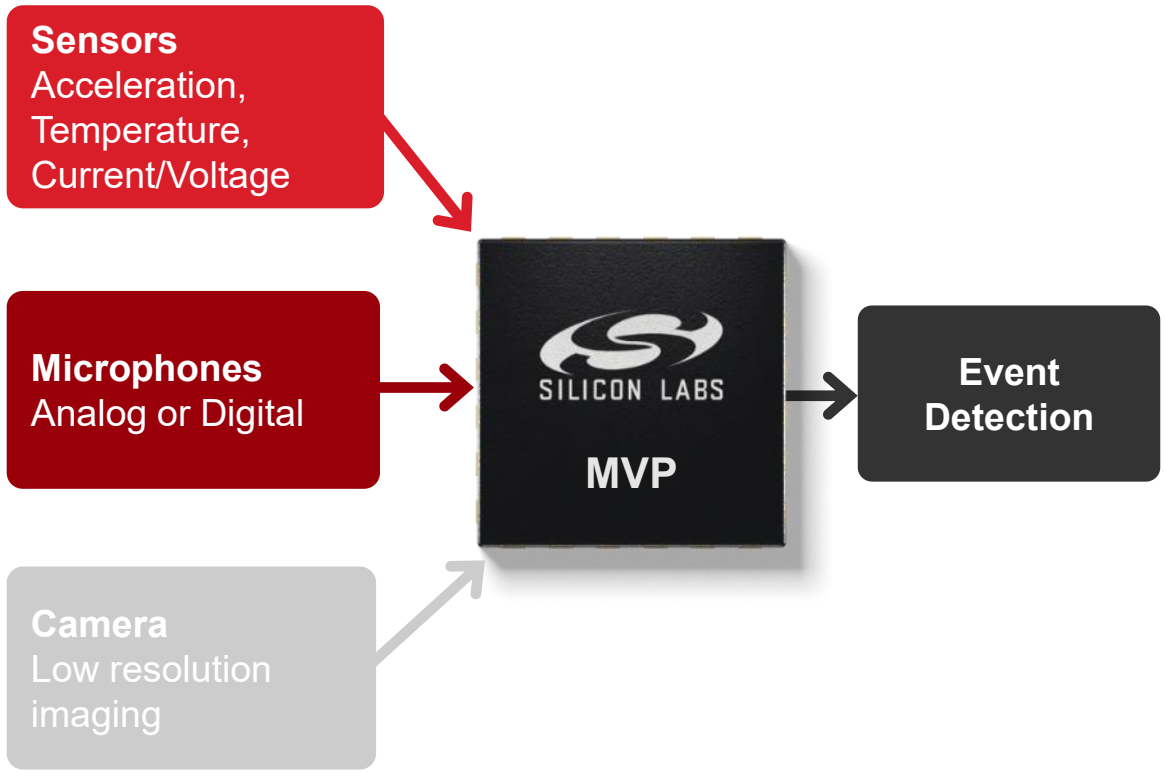
DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS

- **Ultra Low Power**
  - 42.8 µA/MHz EM0 @ 80 Mhz[1]
  - 1.4 µA EM2 with 16 kB RAM
- **Efficient ARM® Cortex®-M33**
  - Operating Frequency: Up to 80 MHz
  - Up to 512 kB RAM and 3200 kB Flash
- **Low Power Peripherals**
  - 4 x EUSART, 3 x USART (7 x UART), 4 x I2C
  - 16-bit ADC
  - 2x 12-bit VDAC, 2x ACMP
  - Temperature sensor +/- 1.5°C
- **Wide Operating Range**
  - 1.71 to 3.8 volts
  - +125ºC operating temperature

1 - 80 MHz HFRCO, CPU running CoreMark loop from Flash

MVP – Matrix Vector Processor (AI/ML Hardware Accelerator)

- **Matrix processor accelerates ML inferencing**
  - Multi-dimensional array operations
  - Handles real and complex data
  - Offloads MCU
- **Up to 8x faster inferencing over Cortex-M**
  - Lower latency
- **Up to 6x lower power for inferencing**
  - Longer battery life
- **MVP Math Library**
  - Can be used for non-ML applications

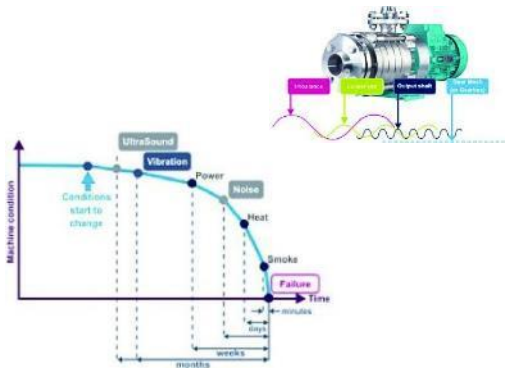


AI/ML Hardware Accelerator enables efficient Edge ML inferencing

Machine Learning Application Examples xG26

Typical/recommended Resource needs with ML applications in Order of Magnitudes

RAM: 64kB
Ops/s: 5M-40M

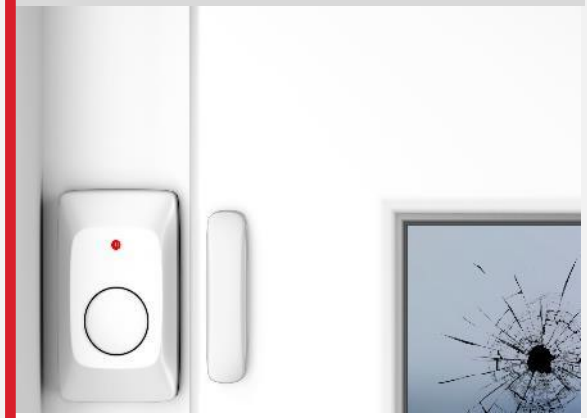


SENSOR

Signal Processing
(time series, low-rate data)

- Predictive/Preventative Maintenance
- Anomaly detection (e.g. air quality, abnormal usage, leak detection)
- Condition based monitoring – machine health, Cold chain monitoring, Battery monitoring
- Bio-signal analysis -healthcare and medical (e.g., pulse detection, EKG)
- Accelerometer use-cases e.g., fall detection, pedometer, step counting
- Agricultural use-cases (e.g. cow health)

RAM: 128kB
Ops/s: 40M-100M



AUDIO

Audio Pattern Matching

- Security applications e.g., Glass break, scream, shot detection
- Cough detection
- Machine malfunction detection
- Breath monitoring

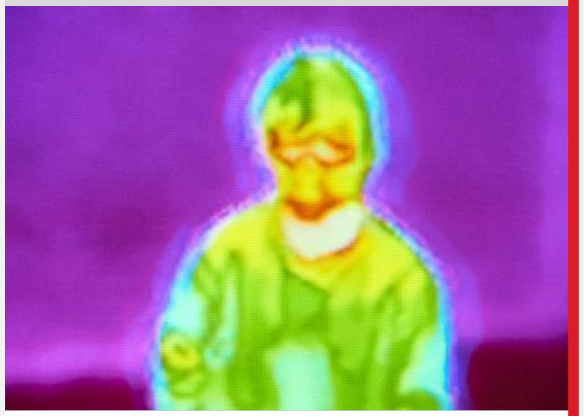
RAM: 256kB
Ops/s: 50M-500M

VOICE

Voice Commands

- 10 words command set for smart appliance
- Wake-word detection (Always-On voice)
- Smart device voice control
- Voice assistant

RAM: 256kB
Ops/s: 200M-1.5G w /hardware accelerator



VISION

Low-resolution vision

- Wake-up on object detection (always-on)
- Presence detection
- People counting, people-flow counting
- Movement detection
- Smart city monitoring (e.g. Parking spot)
- Fingerprint matching

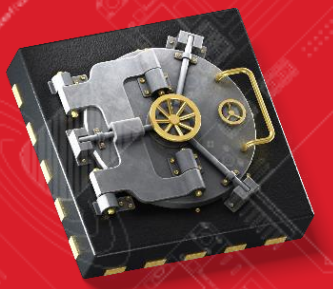
MG26 increased RAM means higher resolution, bigger ML models and more accuracy

Secure Vault™ - Protecting the IoT Device

Base	Mid	High	Feature
✓	✓	✓	True Random Number Generator
✓	✓	✓	Crypto Engine
✓	✓	✓	Secure Application Boot
—	VSE / HSE	HSE	Secure Engine
—	✓	✓	TrustZone
—	✓	✓	Secure Boot with RTSL
—	✓	✓	Secure Debug with Lock/Unlock
—	Optional	✓	DPA Countermeasures
—	—	✓	Anti-Tamper
—	—	✓	Secure Attestation
—	—	✓	Secure Key Management
—	—	✓	Advanced Crypto
		BG26 MG26 PG26 xGM260P	

SESIP™2 psacertified™ level two

SESIP™3 psacertified™ level three



Designing Secure IoT Devices

PG26 Summary

A more general-purpose Series 2 MCU

- Larger memory options and more GPIOs to address a broader number of possible applications

AI/ML Hardware Accelerator to improve latency and efficiency

- 8x faster inferencing at 6x lower power while maintaining compatibility with other MVP enabled families

Firmware and package compatibility with other Series 2 Wireless SoCs and MCUs

- Directly compatible with MG26 and BG26 wireless SoCs while maintaining firmware compatibility to all Series 2 EFR Products

Multi-Core architecture allows for optimized applications and security without compromise

- Isolated security sub-system and core provides best in class security and ensures more MCU cycles are available for customer applications

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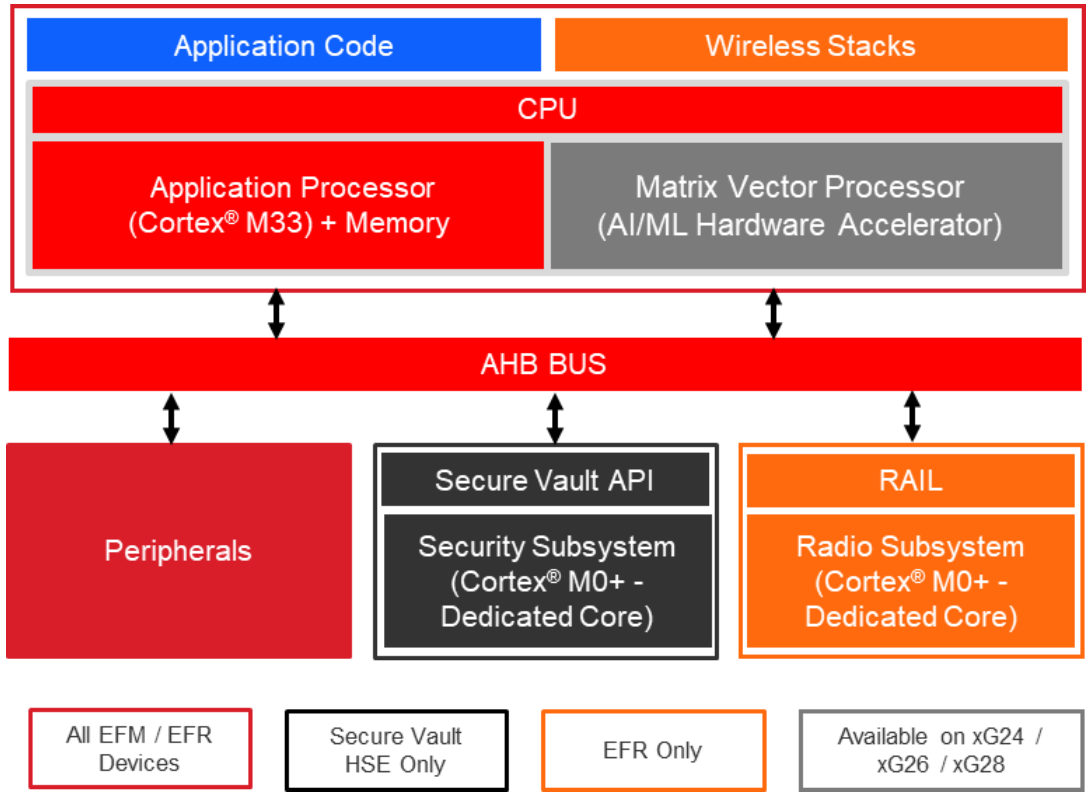
A Platform for advanced IoT

EFM and EFR: Multi-Core Solutions for IoT Development



- **Multi-core architecture gives design flexibility and optimization across EFM and EFR platforms**
  - Dedicated application, radio[1], and security[2] cores share system burden for better resource utilization
- **Common development platform for connected and non-connected products**
  - Simplicity Studio gives developers a common development platform for entire product portfolio
- **Common Security and AI/ML subsystems**
  - Allows for design consistency independent of connectivity needs
- **Footprint and firmware compatibility between EFM and EFR families**
  - Simplified SKU management and code base development lowers development cost and complexity

	BG	MG	FG	ZG	SG	PG
xG21	✓	✓				
xG22	✓	✓				✓
xG23			✓	✓	✓	✓
xG24	✓	✓				
xG25			✓			
xG26	✓	✓				✓
xG27	✓	✓				
xG28			✓	✓	✓	✓
	EFR Device Families					EFM

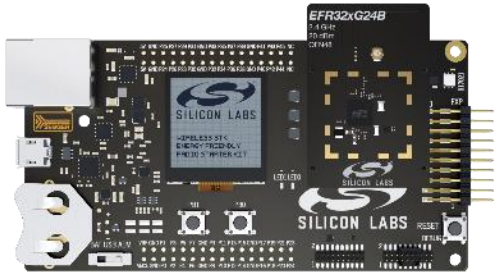
1- EFR32 devices only 2- Secure Vault Hardware Secure Element (HSE) Only

Getting Started with xG26

- **Dev Board**
  - 1x Development board
    - On-board debugger
    - Signal breakouts
    - On-board sensors
    - 20-bit ADC
    - AI/ML hardware accelerator
- **Explorer kit**
  - 1x Explorer board
    - mikroBUS socket
    - Qwiic connector

Part Number	Description
xG26-DK2608A	xG26 +10 dBm Dev Kit
xG26-EK2709A	xG26 +10 dBm Explorer Kit
PG26-EK2711A	MCU, QFN68 Explorer Kit
MGM260P-EK2713A	xGM260 +20 dBm Explorer Kit

- **Pro kits**
  - 1x radio board
  - 1 x WSTK main board
    - Modular development platform
    - Advanced development
    - RF measurements
    - Energy profiling
    - External device debug
    - Ethernet for large network test*
    - Segment LCD*



Part Number	Description
xG26-PK6028A	xG26 +10 dBm Pro Kit
PG26-PK2505A	MCU, BGA136 Pro Kit

- **Radio Board kits**
  - 1x radio board
    - Uses existing WSTK boards
    - Uses existing software tools

Part Number	Description
xG26-RB4120A	8x8 QFN68, +10 dBm Radio Board
xG26-RB4121A	8x8 QFN68, +20 dBm Radio Board
XG26-RB4118A	7x7 BGA136, +10 dBm Radio Board
MGM260P-RB4350A	xGM260P +10 dBm Radio Board
MGM260P-RB4351A	xGM260P +20 dBm Radio Board

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Q&A

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