



8-Bit MCU SDK 4.1.7.0 GA

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The 8051 SDK provides infrastructure support for applications developed on 8-bit devices, and it provides interfaces with the underlying hardware. It is composed of the following modules:

- 8-Bit Device Header Files
- 8-Bit Peripheral Driver Libraries
- Sample Applications/Examples for 8-Bit Development Kits

This document covers the following SDK version:

8051 SDK 4.1.7.0 released September, 2019

KEY FEATURES

- VCPXpress 2.0 release
- Removed application note code from SDK
- Replaced compiler_defs.h with si_toolchain.h

Compatibility and Use Notices

If you are new to the Silicon Labs 8-bit SDK, see [Using This Release](#).

Compatible Compilers:

- Keil v9.53
- Keil v9.56

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1 New Items

1.1 New Device Headers

None

1.2 New Peripheral Driver Libraries

None

1.3 New Sample Applications

None

2 Improvements

2.1 Updated Device Headers

Replaced all references to `compiler_defs.h` with `si_toolchain.h`

2.2 Updated Peripheral Driver Libraries

Replaced all references to `compiler_defs.h` with `si_toolchain.h`

Released VCPXpress version 2.0

- Added a ZLP after writes of multiple of 64-bytes
- The callback right before the ZLP will not trigger a user callback
- Updated `Block_Write()` to output the correct number of bytes transmitted
- Added `VCP_Set_Suspend()` API command to set the new user-configured suspend enable in run-time
- Added `VCP_Get_Suspend()` API command to get the new user-configured suspend enable status in run-time
- Added `VCP_Suspend()` which was previously called `USB_Suspend()` which did not work and did not manually suspend the device
- Removed the option to store variables in USB FIFO
- Allocated VCP variable without hard-coding the locations
- Updated `VCPXcore_CP210x_Get_Eventstate()` to return 2 bytes instead of 1
- Updated `VCPXcore_CP210x_Embed_Events()` to return error indication if `wValue` is not in the range `0x00 - 0xFF`
- Updated `VCPXcore_CP210x_Set_Char()` to not fail for certain indexes
- Updated `VCPXcore_CP210x_Set_Char()` to fail when passed an invalid index
- Updated `VCPXpress.h` and docs
- Removed the `useFifo` variable from the initialization struct. This may require removing the `useFifo` variable in the user's application
- Replaced callback function pointer with a user-defined `VCP_Callback()`. This may require adding `VCP_Callback` in the user's application

2.3 Updated Sample Applications

Replaced all references to `compiler_defs.h` with `si_toolchain.h`

Updated `VCPXpress_Echo` (in all VCPXpress-enabled devices)

- Removed callback function pointer
- Removed option to store `vcpx` variables in USB FIFO

Updated `VCPXpress_UsbToUart` (in all VCPXpress-enabled devices)

- Removed callback function pointer
- Removed option to store `vcpx` variables in USB FIFO

3 Fixed Issues

The table below lists issues resolved in the latest release.

ID #	Description
363329	Fixed incorrect version numbers in cslib.h
	Fixed a data overflow issue in EFM8UB1's VCPXpress_USBToUart example project
422385	Watch Dog Timer resets in certain Space Invaders demo projects

4 Known Issues in the Current Release

The table below lists known issues in the latest release. Items shown in blue are links to additional information.

ID #	Description	Workaround
408543	Missing or corrupted .hwconf files in SB1 capsense examples	The project source code is included in the example and can be modified without the use of the hardware configurator.
355966	Dropped characters on multiple calls to UART1_WriteBuffer()	Insert a short delay between any two bufferWrite calls
354781	Missing autopaging in the efm8_memory_lcd library	Insert SFRPAGE save and restore
344029	Missing autopaging in UART1_writeBuffer()	Insert SFRPAGE save and restore

5 Deprecated Items

None

6 Removed Items

The deprecated **VCPXpress_API_Callback** macro definition in the VCPXpress library has been removed.

The directory, */an*, has been removed from the 8-bit SDK as it contained duplicate copies of all 8-bit application note examples. These code examples are still available through Simplicity Studio.

7 Using This Release

7.1 Installation and Use

The 8-Bit SDK can be installed through Simplicity Studio. Installation instructions can be found in [AN1211](#).

Use the 8-bit SDK with the Simplicity Studio V4 development platform. Simplicity Studio ensures that most software and tool compatibilities are managed correctly. Install software and board firmware updates promptly when you are notified.

Documentation specific to the SDK version is installed with the SDK. API references and other information about this and earlier releases is available on <http://devtools.silabs.com/studio/doc/EFM8/software/>.

7.2 Support

Development Kit customers are eligible for training and technical support. You can use <https://www.silabs.com/products/mcu/8-bit> to obtain information about all Silicon Labs 8-bit products and services, and to sign up for product support.

You can contact Silicon Laboratories support at http://www.silabs.com/support_

8 Legal

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