

Cortex-M Family

Processor	Descriptions
Cortex-M0	A very small processor (starting from 12K gates) for low cost, ultra low power microcontrollers and deeply embedded applications
Cortex-M0+	The most energy-efficient processor for small embedded system. Similar size and programmer's model to the Cortex-M0 processor, but with additional features like single cycle I/O interface and vector table relocations
Cortex-M1	A small processor design optimized for FPGA designs and provides Tightly Coupled Memory (TCM) implementation using memory blocks on the FPGAs. Same instruction set as the Cortex-M0
Cortex-M3	A small but powerful embedded processor for low-power microcontrollers that has a rich instruction set to enable it to handle complex tasks quicker. It has a hardware divider and Multiply-Accumulate (MAC) instructions. In addition, it also has comprehensive debug and trace features to enable software developers to develop their applications quicker
Cortex-M4	It provides all the features on the Cortex-M3, with additional instructions target at Digital Signal Processing (DSP) tasks, such as Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) and faster single cycle MAC operations. In addition, it also have an optional single precision floating point unit that support IEEE 754 floating point standard
Cortex-M7	High-performance processor for high-end microcontrollers and processing intensive applications. It has all the ISA features available in Cortex-M4, with additional support for double-precision floating point, as well as additional memory features like cache and Tightly Coupled Memory (TCM)
Cortex-M23	A small processor for ultra-low power and low cost designs, similar to the Cortex-M0+ processor, but with various enhancements in instruction set and system-level features. It also supports the TrustZone security extension.
Cortex-M33	A mainstream processor design, similar to previous Cortex-M3 and Cortex-M4 processors, but with much better flexibility in system design, better energy efficiency and higher performance. It also supports the TrustZone security extension.

Table 2: The Cortex-M processor family

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Cortex-M Instruction Set

