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### Understanding [Embedded - Microprocessors](#)

Embedded microprocessors are specialized computing chips designed to perform specific tasks within an embedded system. Unlike general-purpose microprocessors found in personal computers, embedded microprocessors are tailored for dedicated functions within larger systems, offering optimized performance, efficiency, and reliability. These microprocessors are integral to the operation of countless electronic devices, providing the computational power necessary for controlling processes, handling data, and managing communications.

### Applications of [Embedded - Microprocessors](#)

Embedded microprocessors are utilized across a broad spectrum of applications, making them indispensable in

#### Details

Product Status	Active
Core Processor	ARM® Cortex®-A7
Number of Cores/Bus Width	2 Core, 32-Bit
Speed	1.0GHz
Co-Processors/DSP	-
RAM Controllers	DDR3L, DDR4
Graphics Acceleration	-
Display & Interface Controllers	2D-ACE
Ethernet	GbE (3)
SATA	SATA 6Gbps (1)
USB	USB 3.0 (1) + PHY
Voltage - I/O	-
Operating Temperature	-40°C ~ 105°C
Security Features	Secure Boot, TrustZone®
Package / Case	525-FBGA, FCBGA
Supplier Device Package	525-FCPBGA (19x19)
Purchase URL	<a href="https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/nxp-semiconductors/ls1021axe7kqb">https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/nxp-semiconductors/ls1021axe7kqb</a>



Dual-core  
solution with  
integrated LCD  
controller for  
fanless applications

# QorIQ LS1021A Communications Processor

The QorIQ LS1021A processor delivers extensive integration and power efficiency for fanless, small form factor networked applications.

## TARGET APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Enterprise AP routers for 802.11ac/n
- ▶ Multi-protocol IoT gateways
- ▶ Industrial and factory automation
- ▶ Mobile wireless routers
- ▶ Printing
- ▶ Building automation
- ▶ Smart energy

Incorporating dual ARM® Cortex®-A7 cores with ECC protection running up to 1.2 GHz, the QorIQ LS1021A is engineered to deliver over 7,000 CoreMarks® of performance, as well as virtualization support, advanced security features and the broadest array of high-speed interconnects and optimized peripheral features ever offered in a sub-3 W processor.

## UNPARALLELED INTEGRATION

The QorIQ LS1 family of devices is designed to enable a new class of power-constrained applications by bringing together highly efficient ARM cores and over twenty years of our company's networking expertise and IP to offer the highest level of integration under 3 W. With ECC protection on both L1 and L2 caches, QUICC Engine support, USB 3.0, and a broad range of other peripheral and I/O features, the LS1 family of devices is purpose-built for multicore platforms

that must perform more securely, intelligently and efficiently without sacrificing performance.

## CORE COMPLEX

The QorIQ LS1021A processor integrates dual ARM Cortex-A7 cores running up to 1.2 GHz with ECC protected L1 and L2 caches. Both cores feature 32 KB of L1 instruction and data cache, share up to 512 KB of coherent L2 cache, and feature the NEON™ SIMD module and dual precision floating-point unit (FPU). The DDR 3L/4 memory controller supports 8-, 16- or 32-bit interfaces at up to 1600 MHz.

## SYSTEM INTERFACES AND NETWORKING

A four-lane, 6 GHz multi-protocol SerDes provides support for high-speed interfaces, including up to three Gigabit Ethernet ports with IEEE® 1588 support, dual DMA controlled PCI Express® generation 2.0 ports and a single SATA 3.0 port. The LS1021A processor also features dual USB controllers—one supporting SuperSpeed USB 3.0 with integrated PHY, the other supporting USB 2.0 functions. Additional interfaces include QuadSPI, IFC and support for SD/MMC. For network.



audio applications, the LS1021A processor includes support for both ASRC® and SPDIF. For industrial applications, the processor provides four CAN ports and up to 10 UARTS to support industrial protocols. In addition, Serial IO includes three I²C and two SPI interfaces.

COMPLETE ENABLEMENT,  
RICH ECOSYSTEM

For customer evaluation, the QorIQ LS1021A processor is supported by the TWR-LS1021A development platform, based on the modular Tower® System, and features an integrated on-board probe for further cost savings. The TWR-LS1021A evaluation kit includes a Linux® 3.12 SDK with optimized drivers and a free 90 day evaluation license for the CodeWarrior development studio supporting ARM development tools.

All QorIQ LS series devices are supported by our extensive third-party ecosystem, the largest and most established in the communications market. In conjunction with our expertise and worldwide support infrastructure, the ecosystem helps customers accelerate their migration from both competitive solutions and from legacy devices, preserve investment costs and reduce time to market.

CODEWARRIOR DEVELOPMENT  
SUITES FOR NETWORKED  
APPLICATIONS

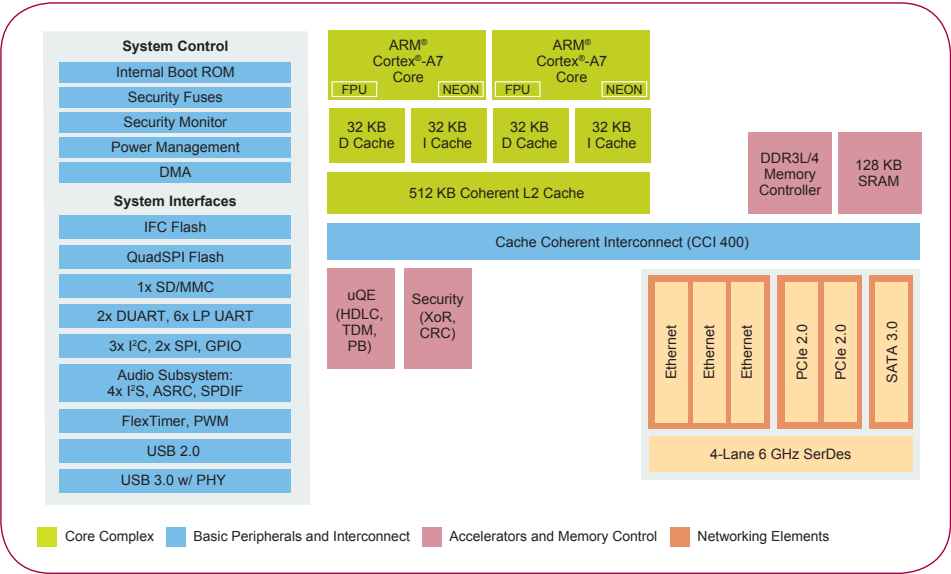
LS Tower Suite Level

This suite was created to give you an economic, yet complete full-featured development tool for QorIQ LS development when the LS part is in a Tower Board configuration. The tools in this suite have no limitations other than they will only work with the Tower Board.

Developer Suite Level

This suite is the primary suite for customers who develop with multicore processors built on Power Architecture® including, QorIQ LS series devices and QorIQ Qonverge SoCs as well as DSPs based on StarCore technology. It is for

QorIQ LS1021A PROCESSOR BLOCK DIAGRAM



designers with full system responsibility but no need for the extra costs of the specialist and architect features.

Specialists Suite Level

This suite is designed so you can do more than just compile and debug. Tools in this suite are useful for customers creating products for every market. Get all the software included in the Developer Suite plus additional board-analysis tools. These tools can be used by all customers in any market but not everyone in a customer's organization needs these tools.

Architect Suite Level

This suite would best be used by personnel who have a need to dig deep into the networking aspects of a development project. In this suite, you will get all the software in the Specialist Suite plus software tools designed to give networking experts the extra capability to find out how their system is really working.

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QorIQ LS1021A PROCESSOR FEATURES

Dual ARM Cortex-A7 cores	Extreme power efficiency, engineered to deliver over 7,000 CoreMarks. Typical total system power of 3 W for improved performance without increased power utilization.
ECC-protected L1 and L2 cache memories	The QorIQ LS1 family devices are the only processors in their class with ECCprotected caches and coherent 512 KB L2, adding performance and meeting networking requirements for high reliability.
Integrated security engine, (SEC 5.5)	High speed security protocol processing, including IPsec, SSL, DTLS, and IKE.
Rich connectivity and peripheral features, including PCI Express Gen 2, USB 3.0, SATA 3, IFC, QuadSPI, CAN	High versatility that enables support for 802.11ac modules and high bandwidth connectivity for ASICs, 4G/LTE, SATA and low-cost NAND/NOR Flash
LCD controller (2D-ACE)	Touchscreen support adds integrated HMI featured for enhanced ease of use and BOM savings. Similar IP as Hybrid controller solutions and i.MX applications processors to allow for simple software migration.
QUICC Engine)	Proven support required for industrial, building and factory protocols such as PROFIBUS, HDLC and TDM
Support for hardware-based virtualization	Enables partitioning of physical and virtual resources on LS1021A multicore parts for increased system flexibility
DDR3L/4	First in its class to offer support for DDR4 memory, ensuring continued performance efficiency

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