

# ARMv8-A

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# Agenda

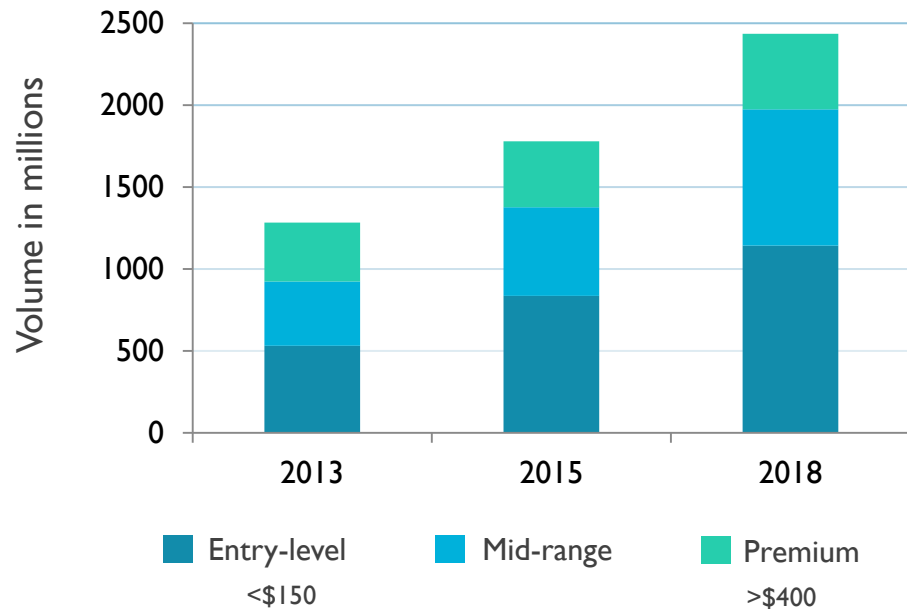
- A Brief History of the ARM Architecture
- ARMv8-A Design Requirements
- ARMv8-A Features
- Use Cases
- Performance
- Ecosystem
- Opportunity

# At The Heart Of Modern Computing

- ARM's business model has fostered a wave of innovation in mobile devices
- Advanced personal computers are becoming affordable to all
- Datacentre and network operators are turning to ARM solutions to drive efficiency

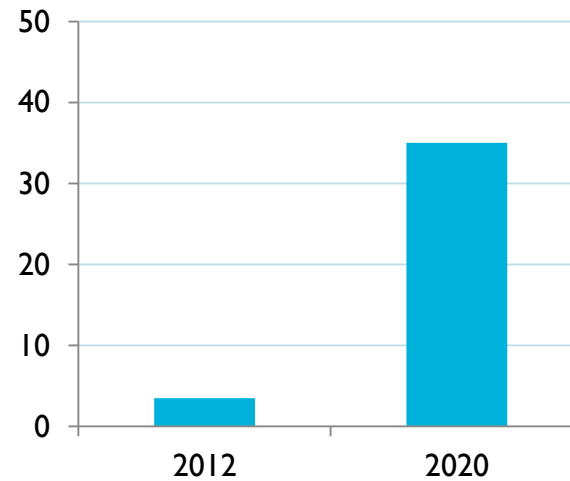


Smart Mobile Device Shipments  
(Smartphones and Tablets)



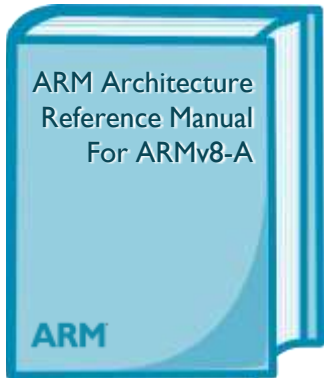
ARM and Gartner Estimates, CAGR figures based on 2013

Global Data Creation (Zetabytes)



Computer Science Group 2013

# Definitions

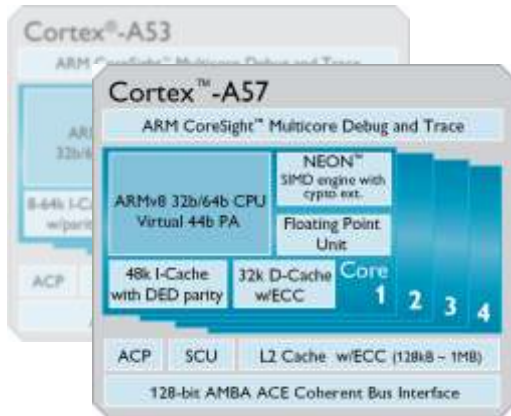


- **Architecture**

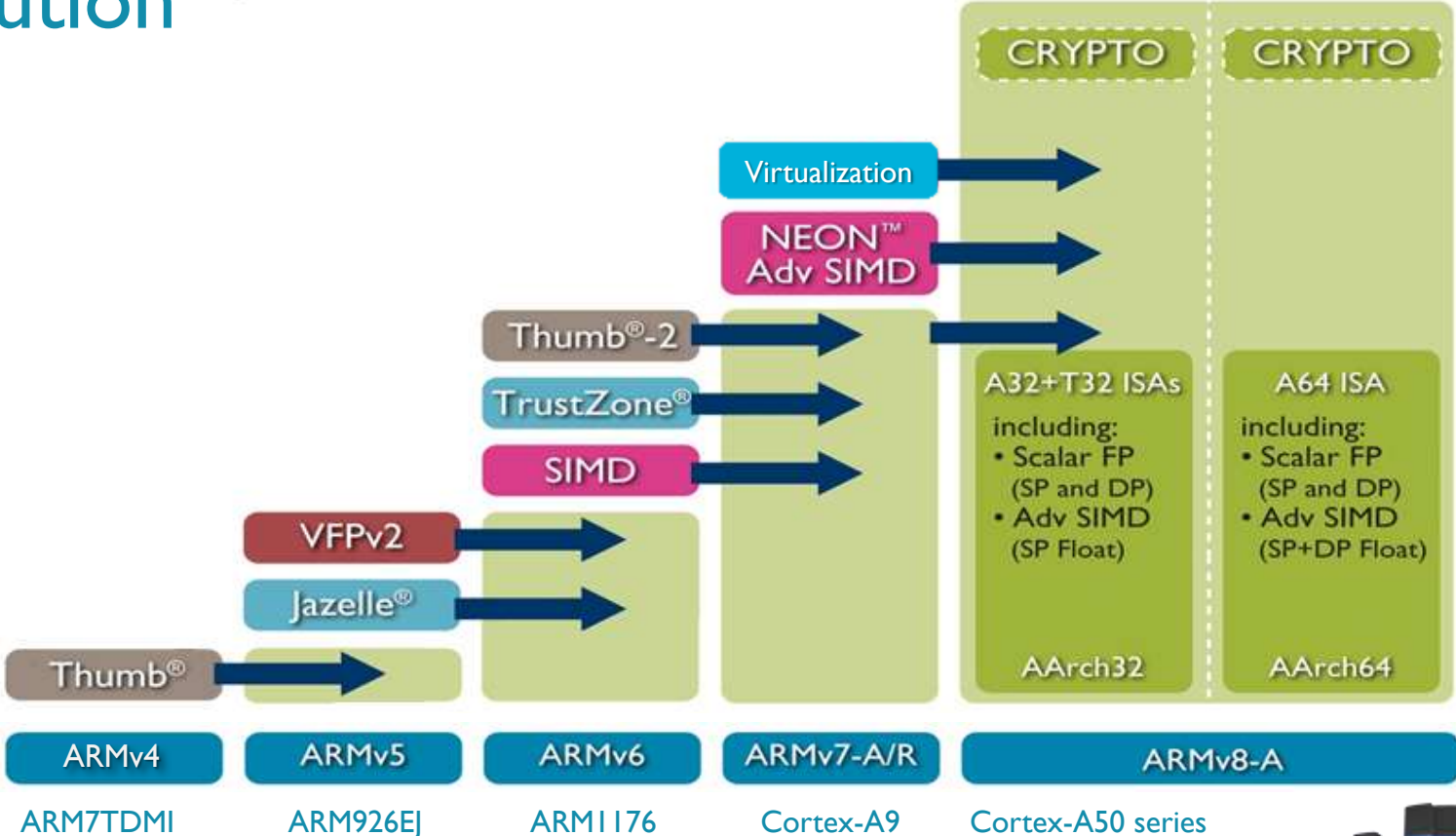
- A set of rules for building and programming a processor
- The contract between hardware and software
- Also known as 'Instruction Set Architecture' (ISA)

- **Processor**

- A processor design that complies with a specific Architecture
- Examples of processor implementations:



# Architecture Evolution



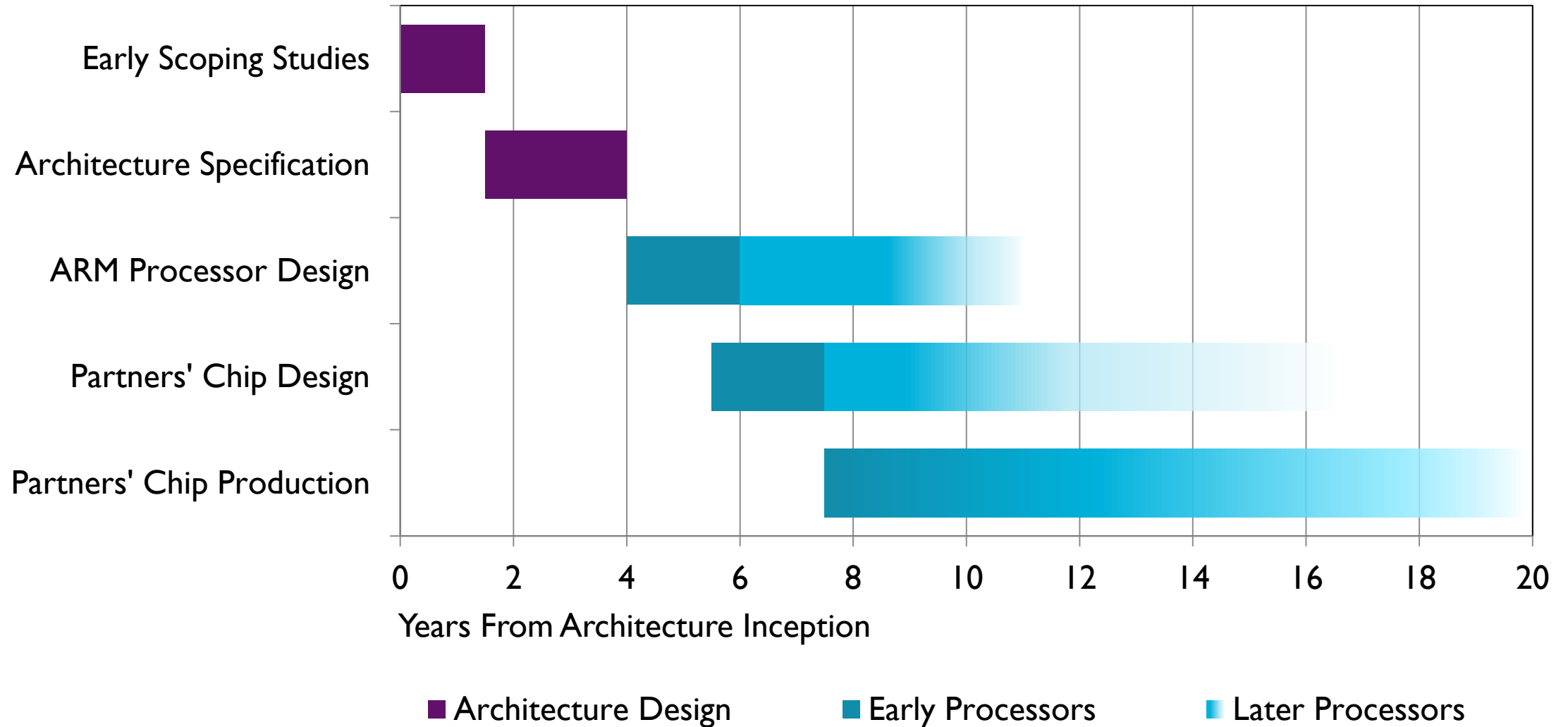
Increasing SoC complexity  
 Increasing OS complexity  
 Increasing choice of HW and SW



1995 2005 2015



# Architecture Lifecycle



# ARMv8-A Design Requirements

## Entry-level Computing

Extend OS capabilities to sub-\$100 devices



## 'Desktop Class' Computing

Performance apps  
Enhanced multimedia processing



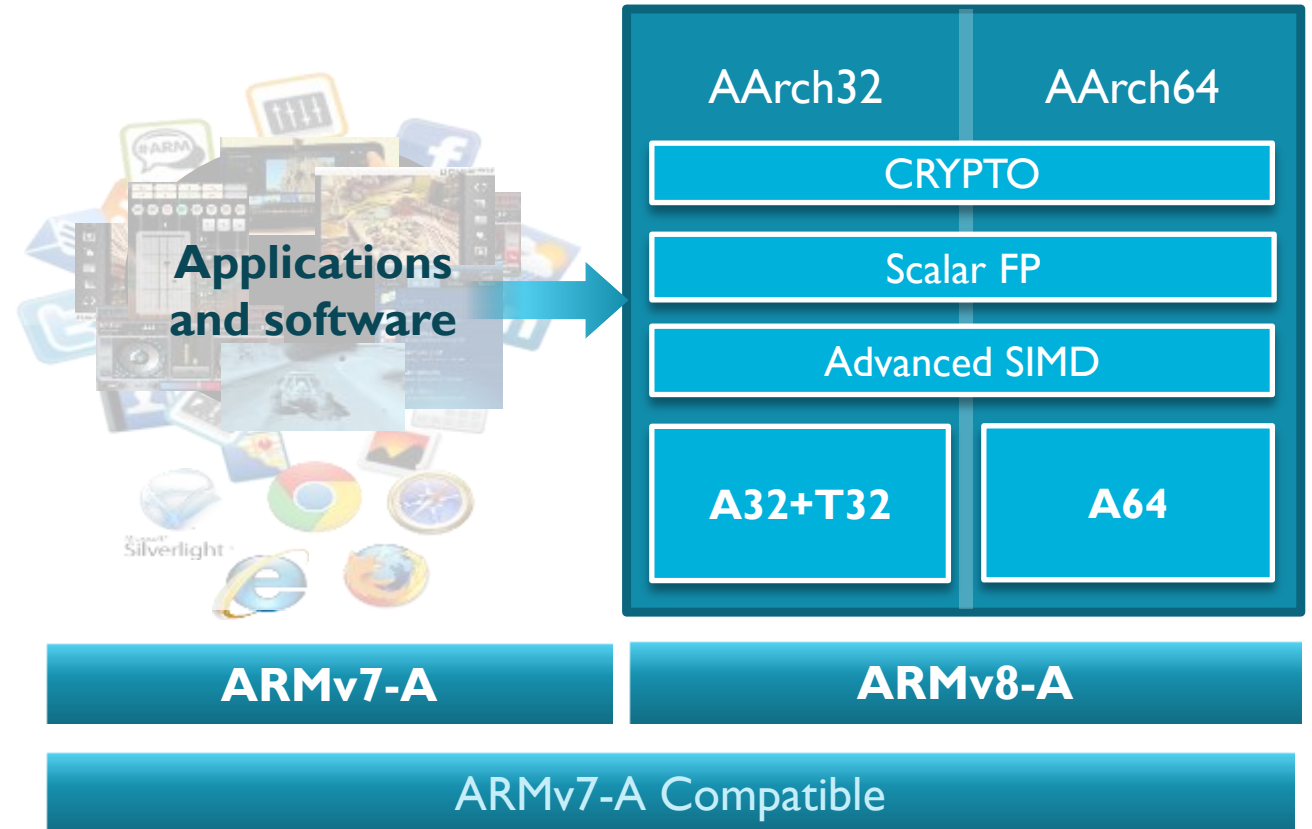
## High-end Enterprise

64-bit memory addressing  
Virtualisation  
High bandwidth  
Enable innovation for hyperscale operators



# ARMv8-A Instruction Set Enhancements

- **AArch32**
  - ARMv8-A is 100% compatible with 32-bit ARMv7-A software
  - Cryptography support across 32-bit
- **AArch64**
  - Introduces 64-bit support
  - Faster data manipulation for applications in Cloud and Mobile
  - Improved support for virtualisation
  - Better support for multi-threaded software





# ARMv8-A Designed for Efficiency

## Enhancement

64-bit architecture

Increased number and size of general purpose registers

Double the number and size of NEON registers

Cryptography support

## Why it Matters

Efficient access to large datasets

Gains in performance and code efficiency

Enhanced capacity of multimedia engine

Over 10x software encryption performance

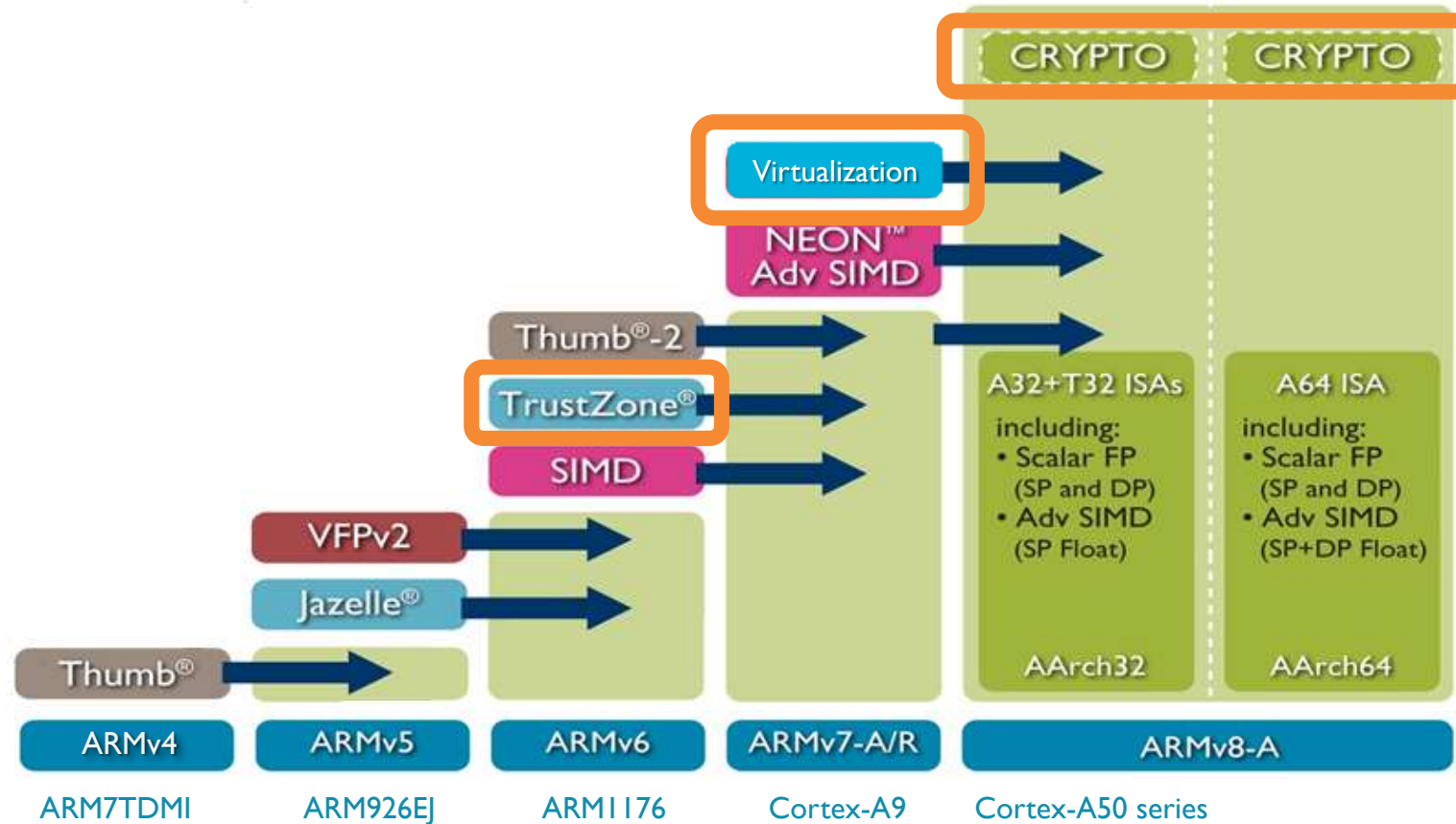
New security models for consumer and enterprise

# Desktop-class Apps For All Devices

- Enable new categories of applications
  - 'Unlimited' memory addressing
  - Faster number crunching and better gaming
  - Lower power consumption
  - Complex applications for the enterprise
- Enhanced user interaction
  - Gesture and voice recognition
- Enables OEMs to innovate across a broad range of computing platforms



# Enhanced Privacy, Security And Personalization

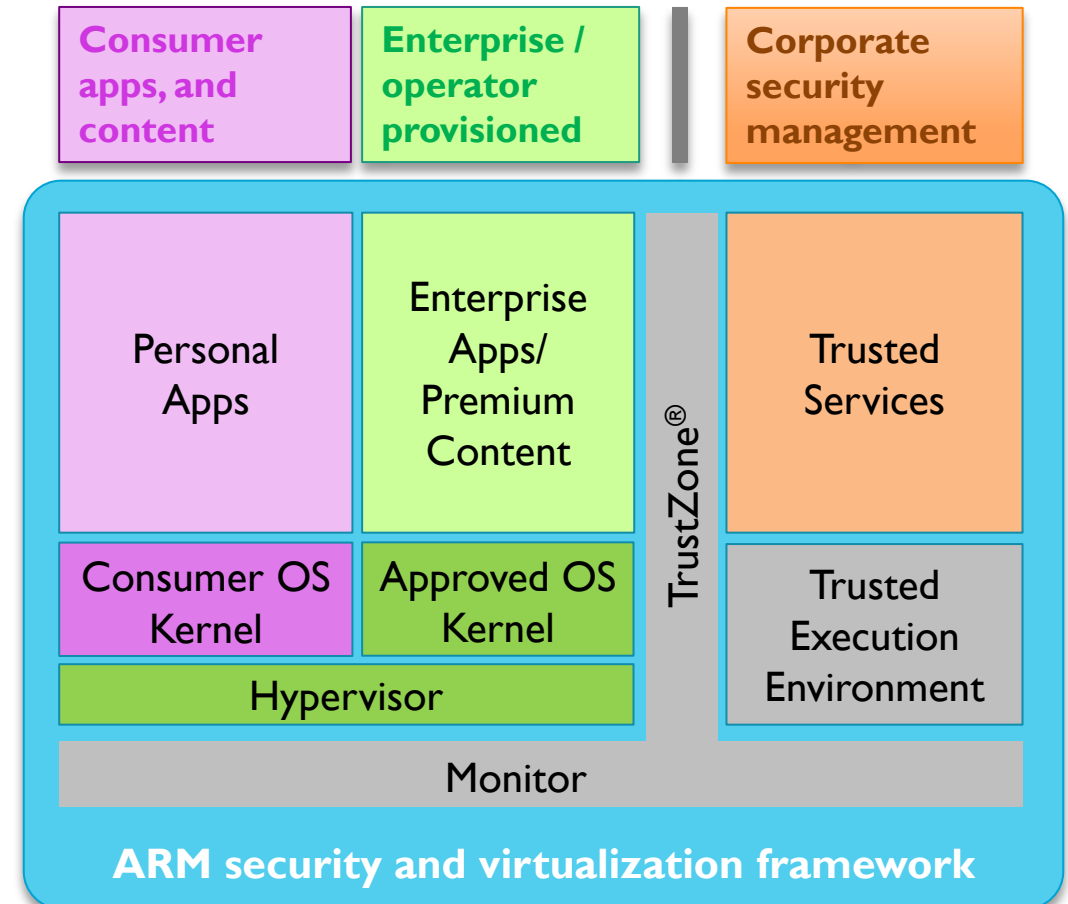


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# Enhanced Privacy, Security And Personalization

- Separation of consumer and enterprise applications and data
  - Enables enterprise control of enterprise assets
  - Enhanced authentication and electronic payment
  - Headroom for future
- Premium content separated from consumer platform
  - Greater protection for high-value content
  - Complements TrustZone® management of sensitive assets

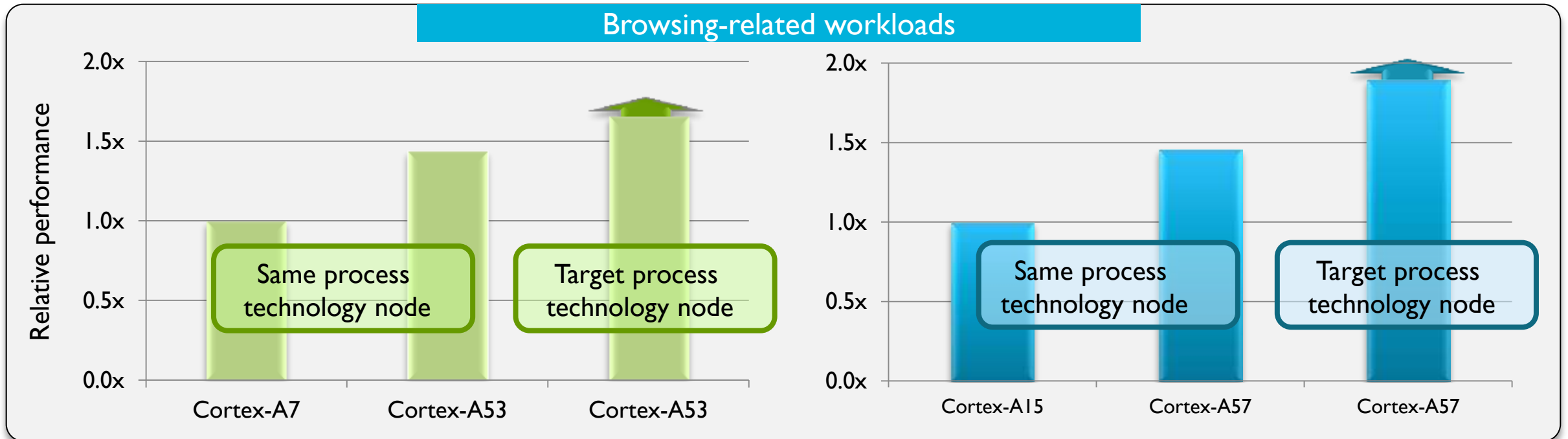


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# Significant Performance Uplift

- Existing ARMv7-A 32-bit software runs faster on today's ARMv8-A processors



- ARMv8-A 32-bit and 64-bit software will provide additional benefits based on use case
- Expect further improvements
  - Process technology, silicon implementation and improved software tools

# ARMv8-A for Software and System Developers



**ARM® Fast Models**  
Virtual Platforms



ARM Compiler for  
ARMv8-A

ARM Fast Model

Open Source Tools

SW Evolution

DS-5™ for ARMv8-A

Custom virtual  
platforms

Linux Kernel and  
tools

SW Evolution

- Delivers a suite of professional software development tools for ARM processors
- Includes ARMv8-A cores

- Platform for early software development

- Open source tools and compilers
- Linux kernel support

- Continued software optimization
- Test silicon available
- Server Base System Architecture

# Unified and Growing Ecosystem

## Mobile Computing and Consumer



## Enterprise Networking



## Server Hardware



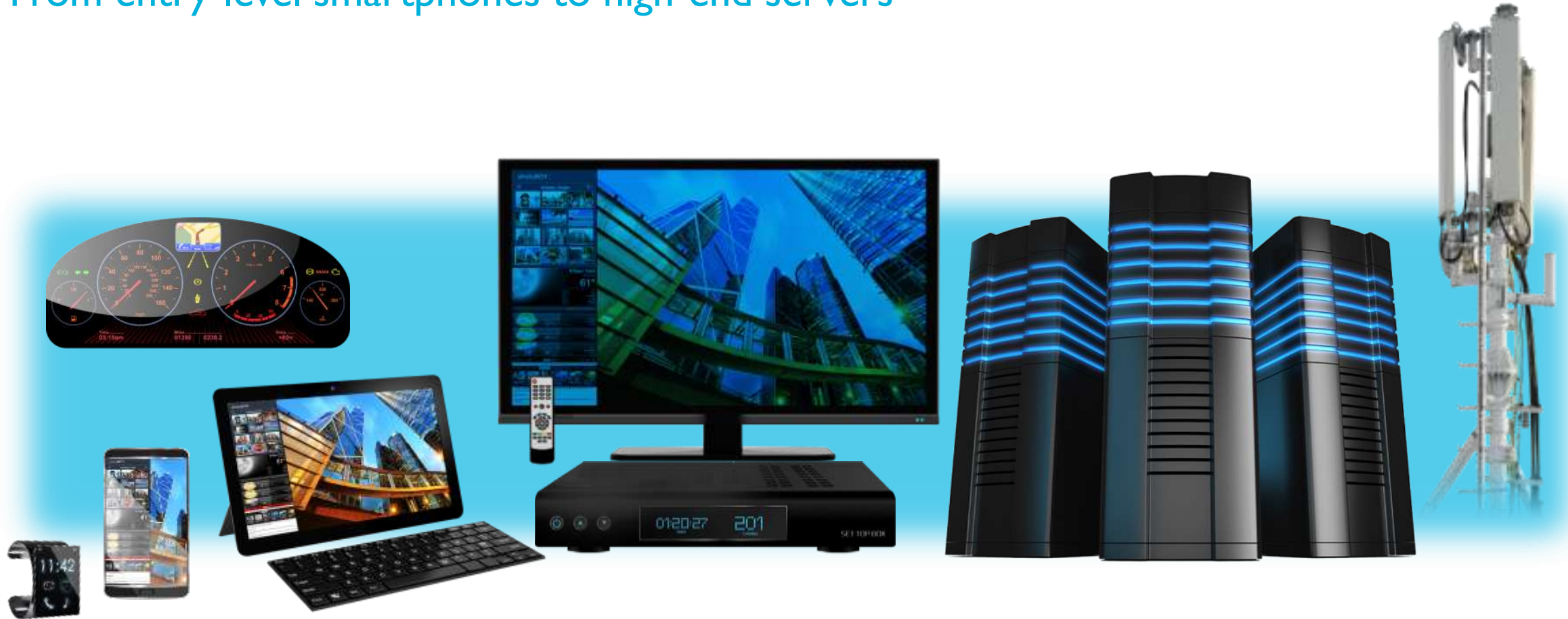
## Server Software



- Builds on the extensive software assets that already exist in today's 32-bit ARMv7-A ecosystem
- All of these assets are compatible with ARMv8-A processors

# ARMv8-A Everywhere

From entry-level smartphones to high-end servers





Thank you