



# arm

## Trusted Firmware-M Update

Shebu V. Kuriakose

Jan'24

© 2024 Arm

# TF-M Update

- TF-M v2.0.0 and what's coming
- Latest on TF-M LTS release
- Roadmap

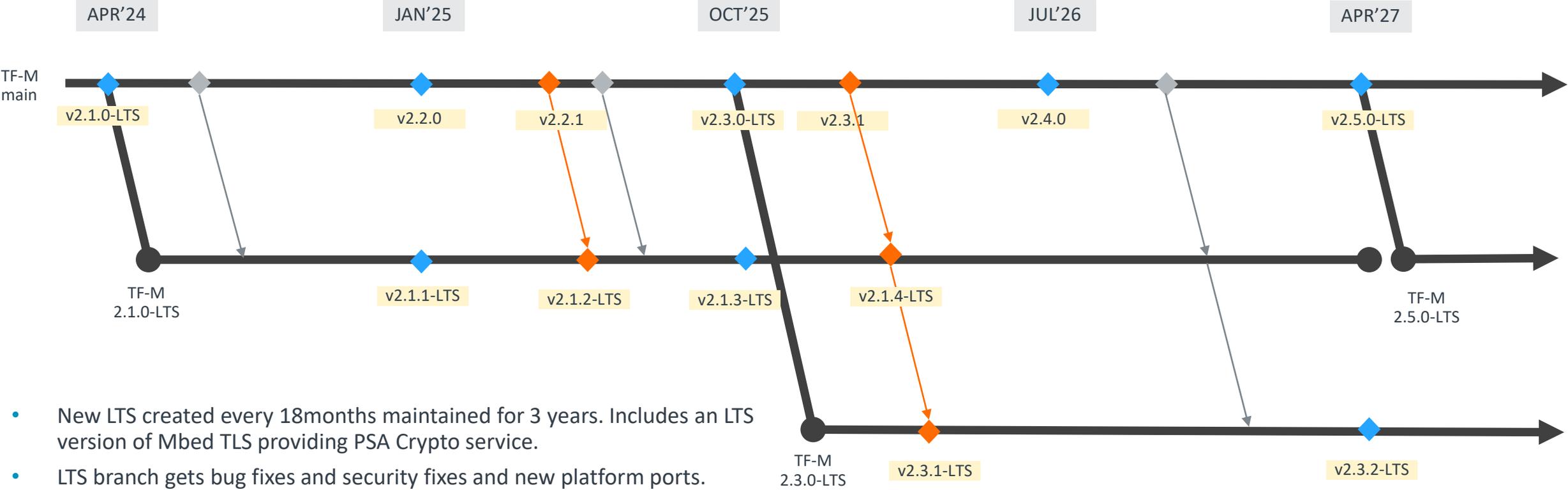
# TF-M v2.0.0 and what's coming

- + v2.0.0 (Blog: <https://www.trustedfirmware.org/blog/tf-m-v2-0-0>)
  - 14k code size reduction by using an alternative ECC implementation in Mbed TLS
  - Moving from single build process to separate independent Non-Secure and Secure build
  - New mailbox Non-secure agent API for dual core and Hybrid platforms
  - Non-secure interrupt latency improvements for isolation level > 1
- + Long Term Stable Releases
  - To make it easier for chip to update PSA Cert. with latest TF-M
  - Aligning with Mbed TLS LTS release
  - Feeding into RTOS LTSes
- + RoT for Hybrid Platforms (e.g. Cortex-A/M + Cortex-M)
  - Providing Secure Services for multiple clients (on-core and off-core) on the SoC
  - Worked on Solution1, new engineers ramping up for further work due to team changes
- + Demonstrate Key Usecases
  - TLS connection relying on PSA Crypto Service
- + MISRA Testing
  - Enabled through Trusted Firmware.org Open CI

# PSA Certified & TF-M Long Term Stable (LTS)

- + Today chips are PSA Certified using a particular version of TF-M (PSA Updatable RoT)
  - No efficient way to update PSA certificate with future TF-M versions – Expensive & time consuming.
  - Certificate can be invalid once vulnerabilities found in TF-M
- + TF-M LTS enables an efficient way to update PSA Certification of chips with latest TF-M security and bug fixes.
  - Chips are certified using a TF-M LTS release. Chips then update to future LTS updates after updates go through PSA Security evaluation
  - Certificate can be kept valid and latest TF-M shipped in chip vendor SDKs
  - End devices using the chips able to use latest TF-M that is PSA Certified.
- + New LTS release created every 18 months and maintained for 3 years. During 3years of an LTS,
  - 9-monthly bug fix LTS update releases alongside the 9-monthly mainline releases
  - Ad hoc security fix releases
- + Platform independent TF-M fixes are evaluated once & applicable to PSA Certified chips on the LTS release.
  - Platform specific changes would require chip specific evaluation.
- + PSA Certification process to support LTS evaluation under review with Trust CB.

# 3 Year LTS; Created every 18months; Released every 9 months



- New LTS created every 18months maintained for 3 years. Includes an LTS version of Mbed TLS providing PSA Crypto service.
- LTS branch gets bug fixes and security fixes and new platform ports.
- Mbed TLS/PSA Crypto LTS release updates gets integrated to TF-M LTS release
- Adhoc TF-M, Mbed TLS/PSA Crypto release to fix security issues
- TF-M 9-monthly LTS update releases alongside 9-monthly mainline releases
- Changes in every TF-M release go through PSA Cert. evaluation by Lab

- ◆ Bug fixes, errata, new platform (no release)
- ◆ 9-monthly release
- ◆ Adhoc security fix release

Versions are for illustration purpose only

# Trusted Firmware-M (TF-M) Roadmap

Library, FF-Mv1.1- IPC, SFN  
L1,L2, L3 Isolation,  
Profile S,M,L, ARoT less  
PSA API 1.0, PSA ADAC,  
A:FR, Zephyr, MbedOS  
Fault Injection Mitigation  
v8.1-M – PXN,FPU, MVE

TF-Mv2.1.0-LTS  
Hybrid platform support  
PSA Crypto – mcuboot  
PSA Crypto usage by NS  
Mbed TLS in NS demo  
Cryptocell driver refactoring  
v8.1-M PAC/BTI

Long Term Stable

Hybrid platform support  
MISRA documentation  
Memory, Perf. Optim.  
Scheduler Design  
PSA FWU 1.0 updates  
Remote Test Infra.

Scheduler (Multiple  
Secure Context)

TF-M 2.0.2-LTS  
SPM Enhancements  
Audit Logging  
Fuzz Testing  
LLVM  
PSA API 1.1

Available

H1 2024

H2 2024

H2 2024+

Thank You!

Danke!

Merci!

谢谢!

ありがとう!

Gracias!

Kiitos!

**arm**