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# nRF91-Series

**Nordic's Ultra-Low-Power DNA for  
Cellular IoT**

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# Nordic has been leading ULP Wireless Market

First wave  
Y2002 ~

Proprietary 2.4GHz RF



Stable market  
#1 position

Second wave  
Y2011 ~

Bluetooth® low energy



Fast growing market  
#1 position



# Nordic has been leading the Low Power Wireless Market

LTE-M wave  
2012 ~

“Cellular IoT”  
Second wave  
Y2011 ~

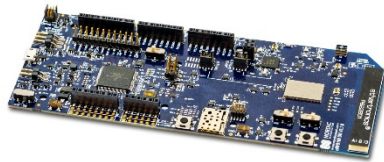
NB-IoT™

Proprietary 2.4GHz RF

Cellular IoT made easy

Bluetooth® low energy

nRF51



Fully integrated



Lowest power



Bluetooth™ 5.x

Stable market

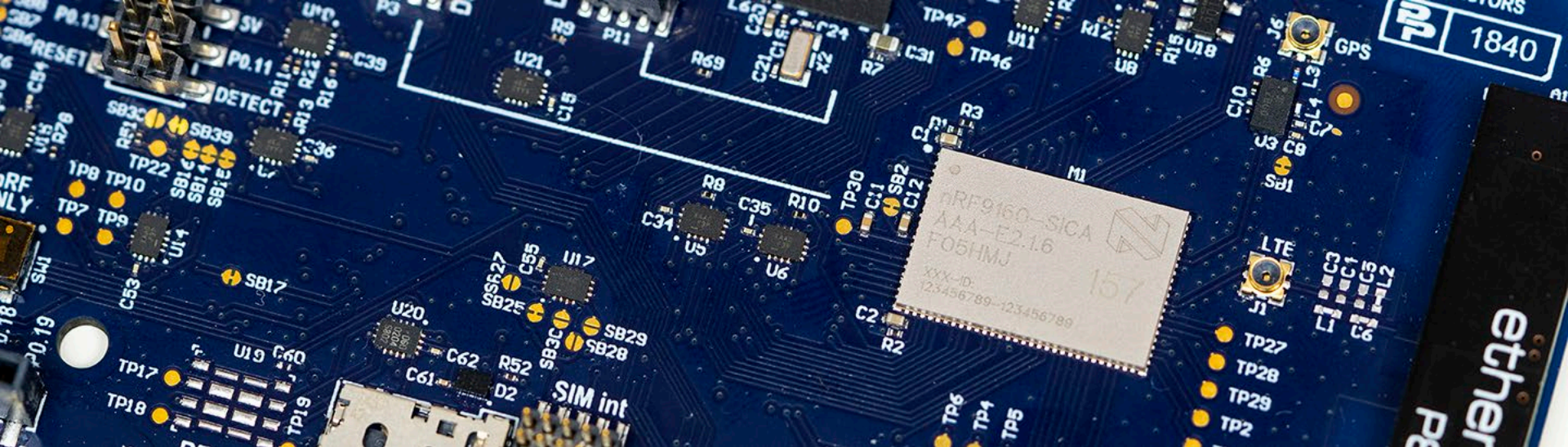
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Cellular IoT for everything else

Fast growing market

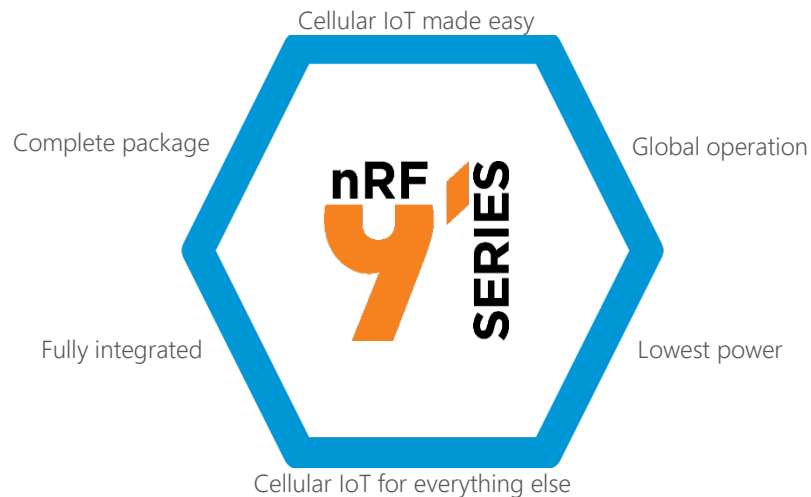
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Cellular IoT made easy



# New low power LTE technologies



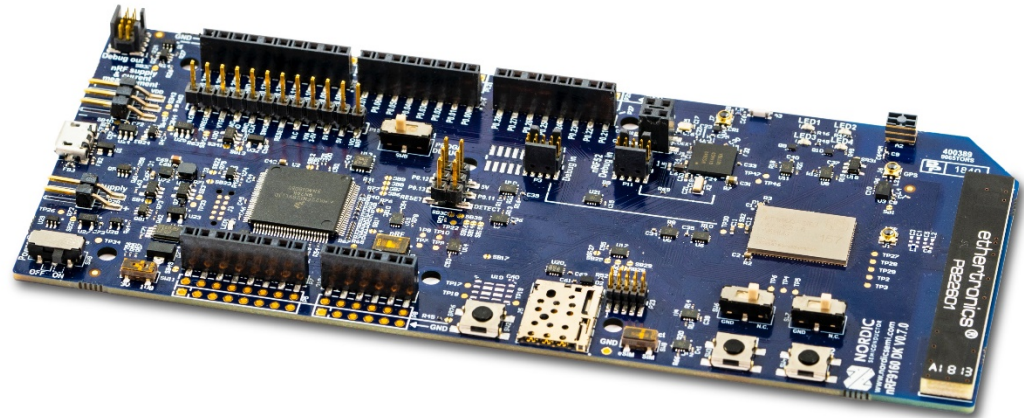
| Also known as          | eMTC, LTE CAT-M1 | LTE CAT-NB1 |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Bandwidth              | 1.4 MHz          | 200 kHz     |
| Max throughput (UL/DL) | 300/375 kbps     | 30/60 kbps  |
| Range                  | <11 km           | <15 km      |
| Mobility               | Yes              | No          |
| Roaming                | Yes              | Not yet     |
| Battery lifetime       | 15 years         |             |

# Complete low power cellular IoT solution

nRF9160 SiP

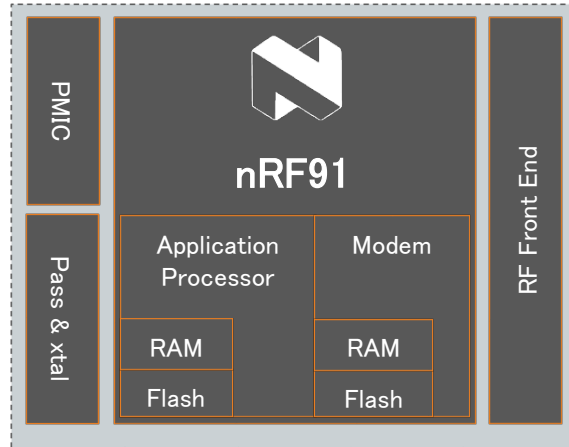


nRF9160 DK



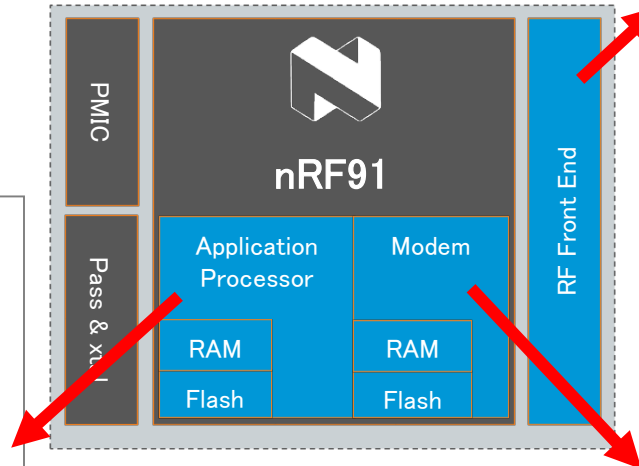
- \* Dedicated application processor and memory
- \* Multimode LTE-M / NB-IoT modem with integrated RFFE
- \* GPS

# Complete low power cellular IoT solution



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- 64 MHz ARM® Cortex®-M33 CPU
- ARM® Trustzone® for trusted execution
- ARM® Cryptocell 310 for application layer security
- 1 MB Flash & 256 KB RAM
- 4 x SPIM/SPIS/UART/TWIM/TWIS
- PDM, I2S, PWM, ADC
- 32 GPIOs

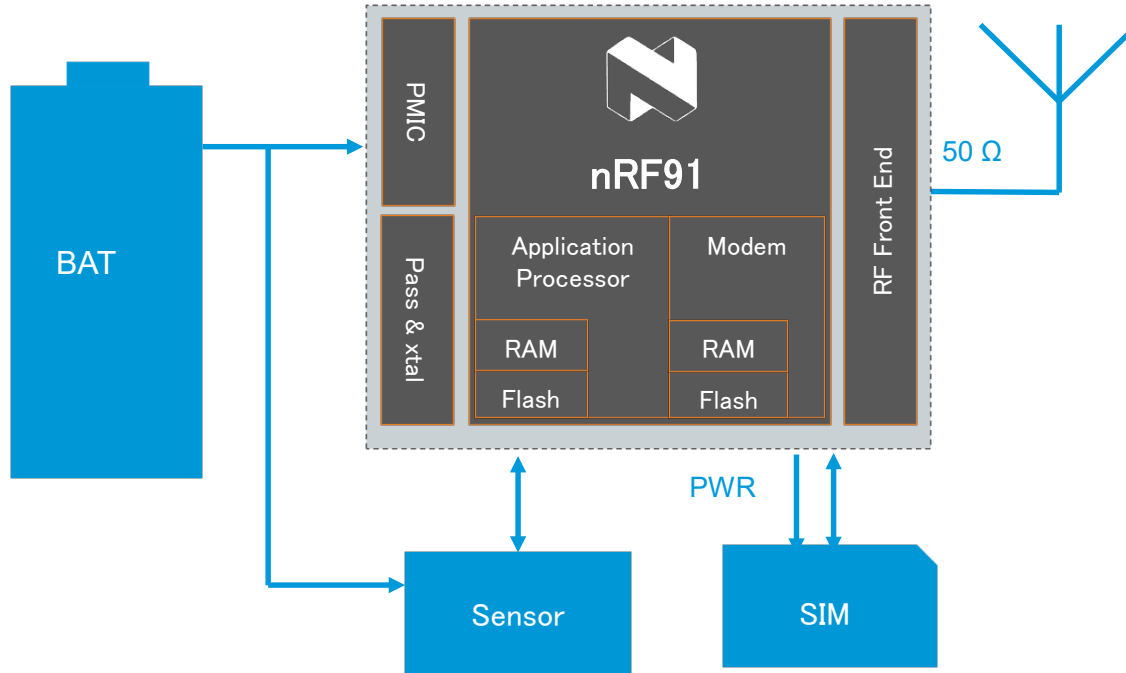


- MHz – 2.2 GHz bands supported
- Up to 23 dBm output power
- -108 dBm LTE-M RX sensitivity
- -125 dBm NB-IoT RX sensitivity
- Single pin 50  $\Omega$  antenna interface

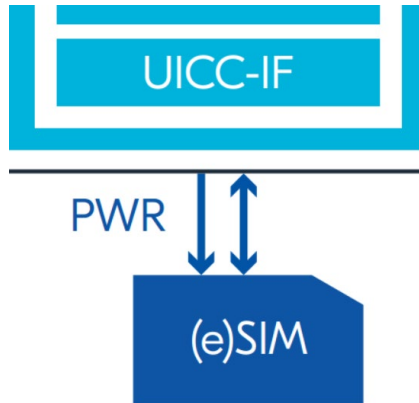
- Half Duplex (HD)
- Frequency division duplex (FDD)
- eDRX and PSM power saving modes
- Coverage enhancement modes
- GPS
- IPv4/IPv6, TCP/UDP, TLS/DTLS
- UICC interface



# Complete low power cellular IoT solution



# UICC interface



- Both plug-in and soldered SIMs and eSIMs are supported
- Power is supplied
- All communication is automatically handled by the modem

# GPS



- Optimized for asset tracking
- Satellite trilateration
- Concurrent with LTE-M / NB-IoT
- Combines GPS and cellular positioning data
- LTE antenna or dedicated GPS antenna

# Certifications

3GPP



3GPP compliance

MNO



Separate certification for LTE-M and  
NB-IoT

Regulatory standards



Regional certification

Full overview and roadmap on [nordicsemi.com/9160cert](https://nordicsemi.com/9160cert)

# Certifications ~ JAPAN

Now on working . . . and will come soon !!!

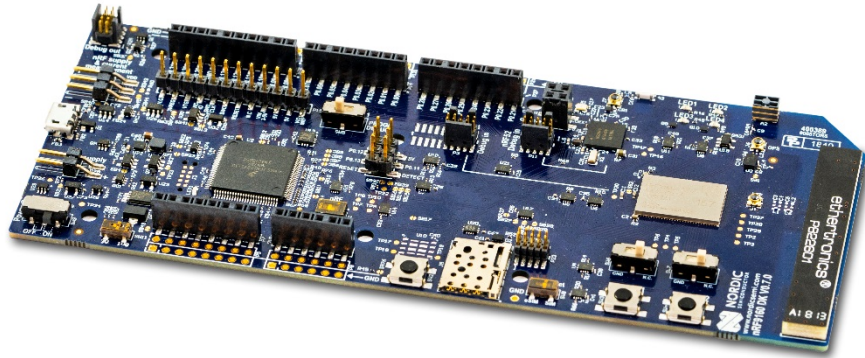
# nRF9160 SiP product variants

- SIAA LTE-M only
- SIBA NB-IoT only
- SICA LTE-M + NB-IoT + GPS



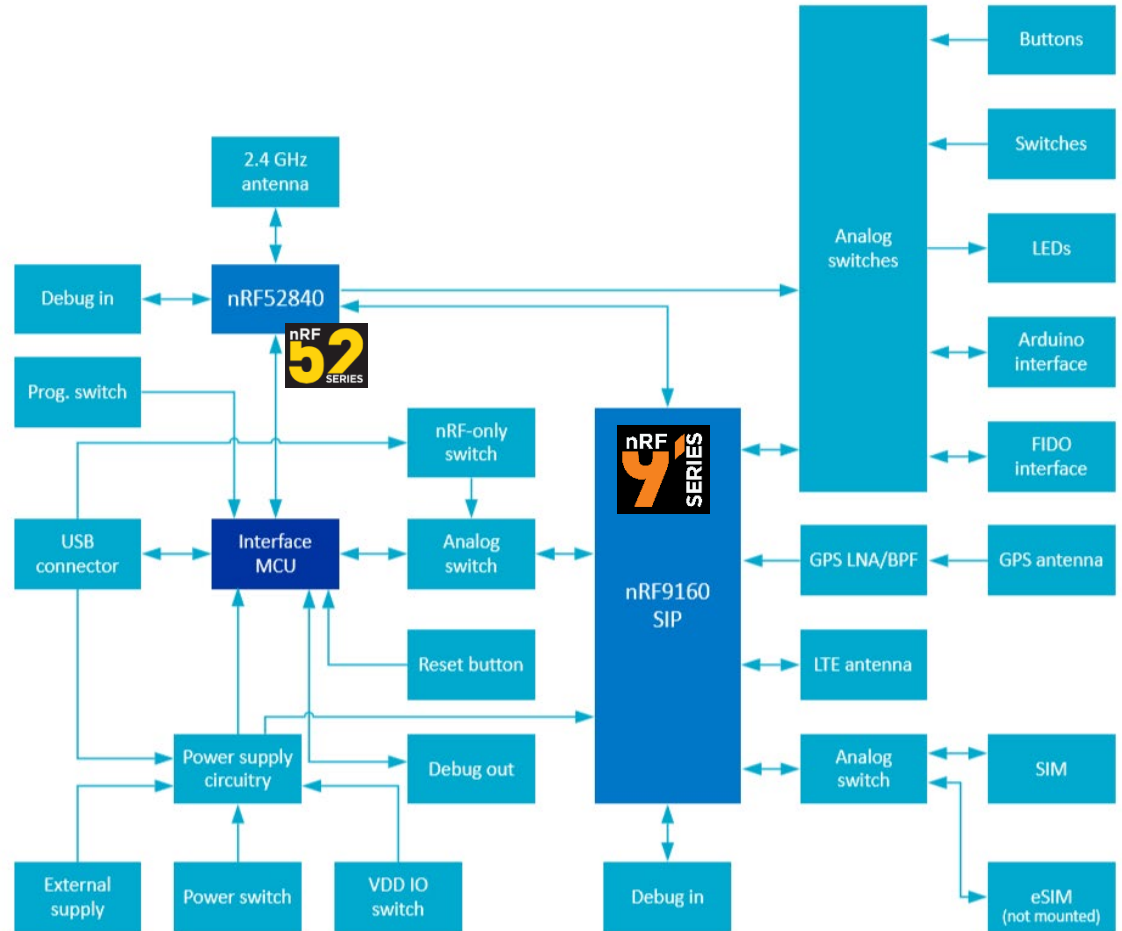
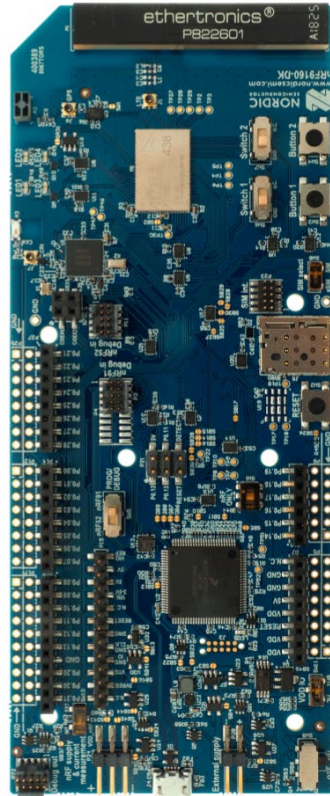


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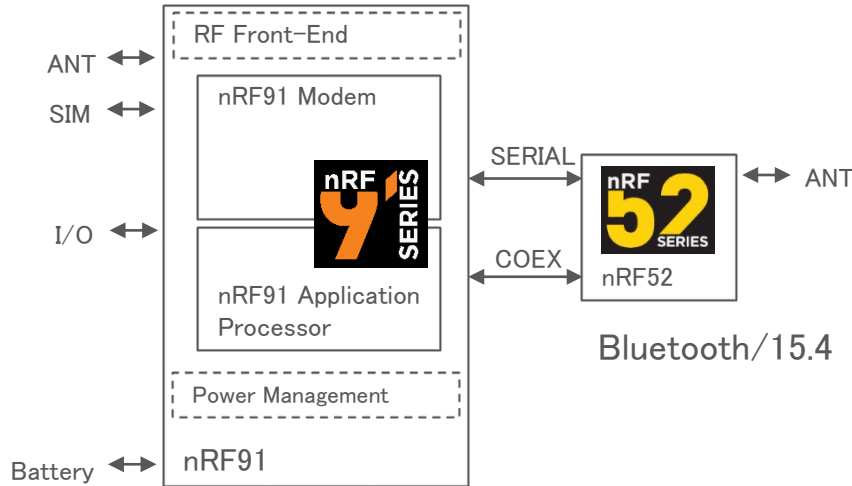


- Single board development kit for the nRF9160 SiP
- nRF52840 board controller
- Dedicated LTE-M/NB-IoT, GPS and 2.4 GHz antennas
- User-programmable LEDs, buttons and switches
- Supports both plug-in and soldered (e)SIMs
- Bundled with a eSIM card from iBasis preloaded with 10 MB

# nRF9160 DK



# Complete cellular IoT system in package



Cellular Modem with  
Application Processor

Chipset approach

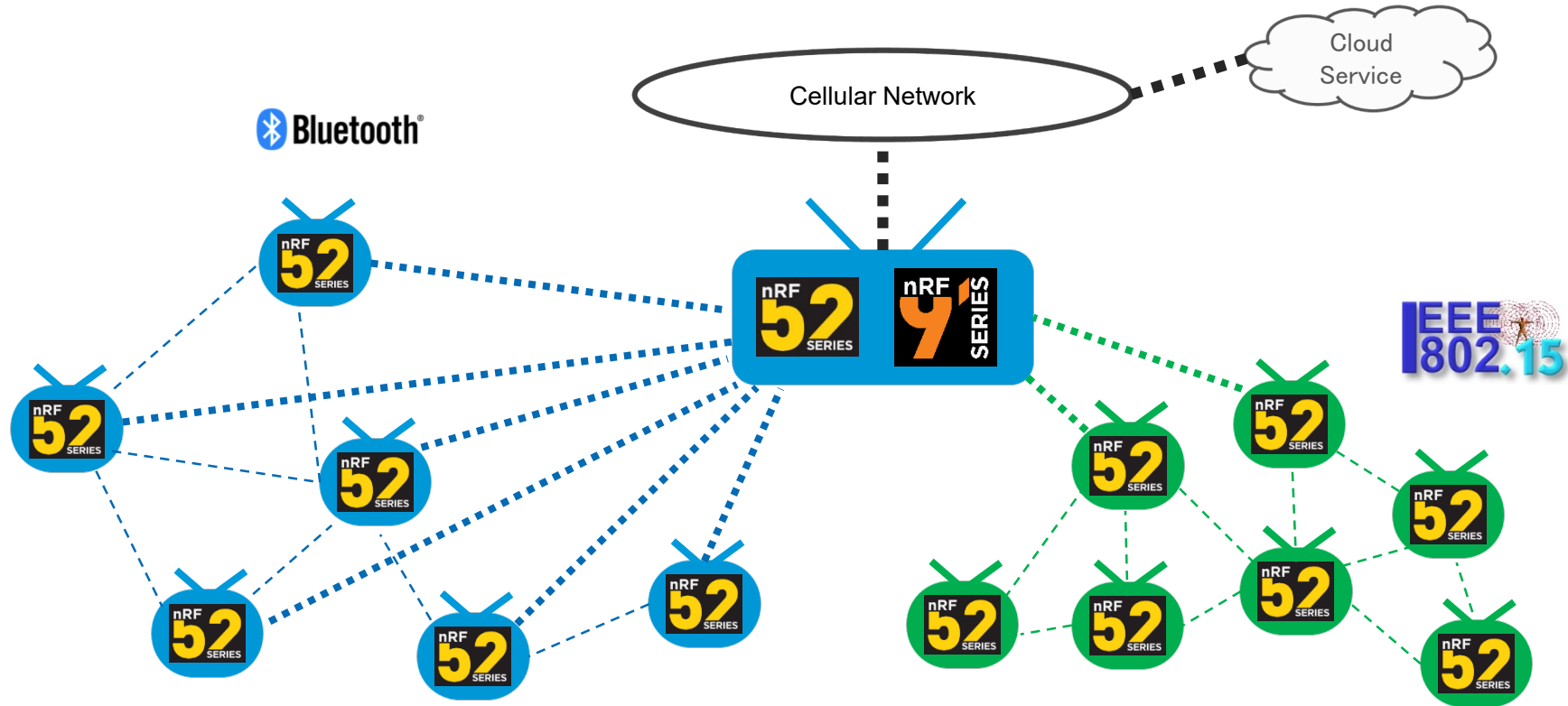
Automatic coexistence interface –mix and match with nRF52

Software drivers and sample application in the SDK

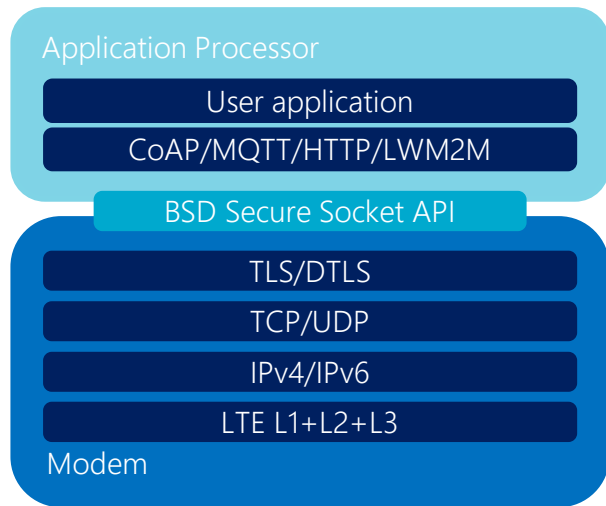
## Edge Computing

Processing and memory resources for low-power edge computing – send information, not data

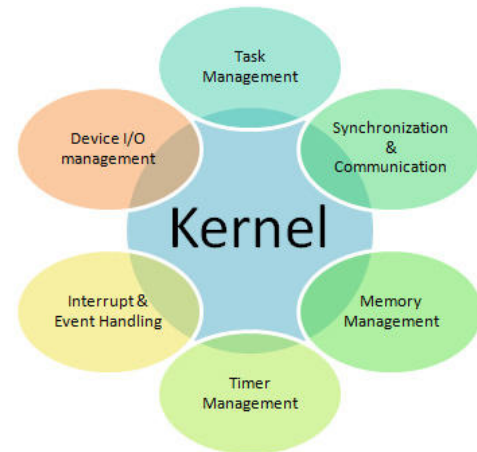
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# Software architecture



- Complete and easy to use solution
- Connectivity and application software
- Support for OTA Modem and Application updates
- Reference design with multiple sensors
- Support for “thin modem” operation



What does an RTOS do for a product developer?

- Control the complexity of applications
- Standard, tested services and components
- More portability & re-use of applications
- Higher-level programming model
- Faster time to market



# Getting started



- nRF9160 comes with iBasis SIM
- First 10MB free for use
- Register SIM at: [www.ibasis.com](http://www.ibasis.com)
- Provision at nRF Connect for Cloud
- nRF Connect for Desktop
  - Trace apps to basestation
  - Signal strength
  - AT commands

# nR9160 ~ PSA Certified



*The Arm PSA is an architecture-agnostic framework for securing the next one trillion connected devices, from endpoint to cloud*

For more information see [www.psacertified.org/products/nrf9160-sip](http://www.psacertified.org/products/nrf9160-sip)



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