

Quick Start Guide i.MX 8M Quad Evaluation Kit



GET TO KNOW THE i.MX 8M QUAD EVK



Figure 1: Front side of i.MX 8M Quad EVK (top)

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Figure 2: Back side of i.MX 8M Quad EVK (bottom)

ABOUT THE i.MX 8M QUAD EVK

The Evaluation Kit (EVK) based on i.MX 8M Quad introduces developers to the i.MX 8M Quad applications processor. To speed development, hardware design files are provided, tools and board support packages (BSPs) for Linux[®], FreeRTOS[™] and Android are available.

FEATURES

- i.MX 8M Quad applications processor with 5 cores (4×Arm[®] Cortex[®]-A53 and 1× Cortex-M4)
- 3 GB, 32-bit LPDDR4 with 1.6 GHz clock
- eMMC 5.0, 16 GB
- 32 MB Octal SPI NOR flash
- Micro SD card connector
- USB3.0 Type-C connector with PD support
- USB3.0 Type-A connector
- HDMI2.0a Type-A connector
- 1 Gbps Ethernet
- Mini-SAS MIPI-DSI connector

- 2x mini-SAS MIPI-CSI connectors for camera
- USB to serial convertor for debug
- Infrared receiver
- On-board MIMO 2x2 WiFi and BT4.2
- LEDs for power indication and generalpurpose use
- M.2 connector for WiFi/BT (PCIe, USB, UART, I²C and I²S)
- 3.5 mm audio jack for amplified speakers
- JTAG 10-pin connector

GETTING STARTED

1 Unpack the Kit

The EVK is shipped with the items listed in Table 1. Ensure the items are available in the i.MX 8M Quad EVK.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
CPU board	CPU board with i.MX 8M Quad applications processor, memory and PMIC
Power supply	Output: DC 12V/5A, Plug: 1.65 mm x 5.15 mm
USB Type-C Cable	Cable -Assembly, USB 3.0 Type-A Male, USB micro-B Male, Shielded, 1m
USB micro-B Cable	Cable -Assembly, USB 2.0 Type-A Male, USB Type-C Male, Shielded, 1m
Documentation	Quick Start Guide

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2 Prepare Accessories

The following items in Table 2 are required to run the i.MX 8M Quad EVK.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
HDMI display	HDMI display that supports 1080p resolution or higher is required to run the HDMI
HDMI cable	HDMI cable that is used to connect the board and the HDMI display
Mouse	Mouse with USB interface

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3 Download Software and Tools

Download installation software and documentation at www.nxp.com/imx8mquadevk

The following documents are available on the website:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Documentation	 Schematics, layout and Gerber files i.MX 8M EVK Board Hardware User's Guide Quick Start Guide
Software Development	Linux BSPs, Android BSPs
Demo Images	Copy of the latest Linux BSP images and Android images that are available to program on to the eMMC

SETTING UP THE SYSTEM

Connect USB Debug Cable

Connect the micro-B end of a USB cable into debug port J1701. Connect the other end of the cable to a PC acting as a host terminal. 2 UART connections will appear on the PC. The console print will output on "Enhanced COM port," which can be found in "Device Manager" of the PC.

Open the terminal window (i.e., Hyper Terminal or Tera Term), choose the COM port number that corresponds to the "Enhanced COM port" and apply the following configuration.

- Baud rate: 115200
- Data bits: 8
- Stop bit: 1
- Parity: None
- Flow control: None

2 Connect HDMI Display

Connect an HDMI cable to the HDMI connector Jack J1001. Connect the other end of the cable to a HDMI display panel.

3 Connect Mouse

Connect the mouse to the USB host connector J903.

4 Connect Power Supply

Connect the plug of the 12V power supply to the DC power jack J902.

BOOT PROCESS FOR ANDROID IMAGE

Boot Process

- Switch SW801 to OFF, OFF, ON, OFF (from 1-4 bit) to boot from the eMMC, as shown in Figure 3. After the board images are loaded into the eMMC and the boot switches are correctly configured, the system is ready to run.
- Note: The board is shipped with Android image programmed in the eMMC. If you want to use Linux image, see the documentation provided in the EVK website (www.nxp.com/imx8mquadevk) on how to load the image. Power on the EVK board by sliding power switch SW701 to ON.
- During the boot process, the Android logo will appear on the HDMI display. Note that the HDMI output resolution is 1080P fixed—to change it, check the documentation in the EVK website.
- The Android UI can be seen after the boot process is finished. You can start operating with the mouse.



Figure 3: BOOT DEVICE Switch

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Attention that changes or modification not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Note: This product has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This product generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this product does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- -Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- -Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- --Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.

-Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

This equipment should be installed and operated with a minimum distance 20cm between the radiator and your body.



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