Apollo4 **Blue Lite** Low Power System-on-Chip

Product Brief

Ambiq®, the leader in low power System-on-Chip (SoC) design, introduces the Apollo4 Blue Lite SoC, extending the Apollo4 product family. Apollo4 Blue Lite maintains feature-rich capability and optimizes memory and peripherals to balance the Apollo4 product family with a lightweight solution. It is conveniently pin-compatible to its superset variant, Apollo4 Blue Plus, providing developers the optimum flexibility to innovate with smooth, vibrant graphics in their next generation wearables and smart IoT devices.

The Apollo4 Blue Lite SoC is built upon Ambiq's proprietary Subthreshold Power-Optimized Technology (SPOT®) platform. It includes a 32-bit Arm® Cortex®-M4 core with Floating Point Unit and a Bluetooth® Low Energy 5.1 system. This architecture provides the high-compute, low-power flexibility to use a smaller battery for portable applications or to achieve advanced processing with constrained energy resources.

With 2MB of MRAM and 1.4MB of SRAM, the Apollo4 Blue Lite has optimal compute and storage to process complex algorithms and neural networks while displaying vibrant, crystal-clear, and smooth graphics. If additional memory is required, external memory is supported through Ambiq's high bandwidth multi-bit SPI and eMMC interfaces.

The Apollo4 Blue Lite is purpose-built to serve as both an application processor and a coprocessor for battery-powered endpoint devices, including smartwatches, fitness bands, animal trackers, voice-activated remotes, digital health products, industrial maintenance, and smart home IoT devices.

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Feature Highlights:

- Unmatched power efficiency with low power sleep modes and active current drawing as little as 4 µA/MHz

- Up to 192 MHz operating clock frequency with turboSPOT®

- 2D/2.5D graphics accelerator supporting hardware anti-aliasing and dithering

- Embedded low power Bluetooth Low Energy 5.1 radio with robust RF connectivity

- Ultra-low power peripherals including a 16-bit MSPI interface for fast access to external PSRAM/Flash

- Audio subsystem includes a stereo PDM channel, a full duplex stereo I²S channel

- Develop and deploy your application in a safe environment with secureSPOT® 2.0 and PSA-L1 certification
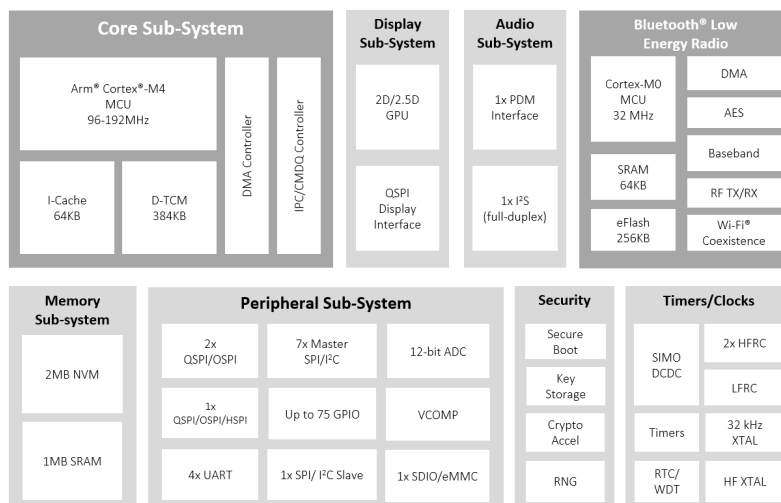
Block Diagram for Ambiq Apollo4 Blue Lite SoC

Features and Specifications

Ultra-Low Supply Current

- 4 µA/MHz executing from MRAM (with cache)
- Low power and deep sleep mode selectable levels of RAM/cache retention

High-Performance Arm Cortex-M4 Processor with FPU

- Up to 192 MHz clock frequency
- Memory protection unit (MPU)
- Secure Boot
- PSA-L1 certified

Bluetooth Low Energy 5.1

- 2 Mbps, extended advertising packets
- Angle of Arrival (AoA)/Angle of Departure (AoD)
- Tx: up to +6 dBm output power
- Rx Sensitivity: -95 dBm

Ultra-Low Power Memory

- Up to 2MB of non-volatile MRAM for code/data
- Up to 1.4MB of low power SRAM for code/data

Ultra-Low Power Interface for On- and Off-Chip Sensors

- 12-bit ADC, 11 selectable input channels
- Up to 2.8 MS/s sampling rate
- Temperature sensor with ±3℃ accuracy

Ultra-low Power Flexible Serial Peripherals

- 2x 2/4/8-bit SPI master interface
- 1x 2/4/8/16-bit SPI master interface
- 7x I^{2}C/MSPI for peripheral communication
- 1x SPI Slave for host communications
- 4x UART modules with flow control
- 1x SDIO (SD3.0)/1x eMMC (v4.51)

Display

- Up to 500 x 500 resolution
- Frame Buffer Decompression

Graphics

- 2D/2.5D graphics accelerator
- Texture and frame buffer compression
- Dithering and anti-aliasing

Audio Processing

- 1x stereo PDM
- 1x full-duplex I^{2}S ports

Rich Set of Clock Sources

- 16-52 MHz and 32.768 kHz Crystal XTAL oscillators
- 1 kHz Low Frequency RC (LFRC) oscillator
- 2x High Frequency RC (HFRC) oscillator – 192/384 MHz

Power Management

- Operating range: 1.71-2.2 V, –20℃ to 60℃
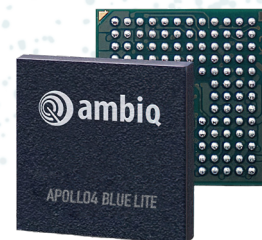- SIMO Buck
- Multiple I/O voltages

Applications

- Smart watches/bands
- Wireless sensors and IoT
- Activity and fitness monitors
- Children's watches
- Digital health devices
- Animal trackers
- Motion and tracking devices
- Alarms and security system
- Far-field voice remotes
- Predictive maintenance
- Smart home

Package Options

- 4.7 mm x 4.7 mm, 131-pin SIP BGA

Ordering Information

- AMA4B2KL-KXR
- AMA4BLEVB

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