Carrier Grade Express (CGX) 2.6
MontaVista is your Linux consultant

**Expertise**
- Only working on Linux since 1999 – 1st Pre-emptible kernel, 1st Carrier Grade (6-9s HA)
- Supported embedded Linux in variety of markets and industries
- Accelerate your schedule – Triage problems quickly, backport future features, dedicated support engineering

**Reliability and Certainty**
- Robust Quality Assurance Testing
- Frequent critical security patches and bug fixes
- Board Maintenance Program (BMP) – QA performed on customer hardware

**Lower Cost Ownership**
- Embedded Linux distribution ready to run on SoC of choice, TODAY
- 10+ years maintenance
- Commercial Linux at a fraction of the cost of doing yourself
MontaVista® Linux® Carrier Grade eXpress (CGX) delivers Carrier Grade Linux reliability, security, and serviceability to embedded Internet of Things (IoT) devices along with high configurability and flexibility.

CGX meets the demands of the interconnected intelligent devices, providing application portability, dynamic configuration, field maintenance, and real-time performance in a single platform. Development teams are under tremendous pressure to rapidly bring to market highly intelligent interconnected devices with leading-edge features. CGX provides the ideal platform for developers wanting to leverage the flexibility of a feature-rich true open source development platform to meet these demands.

MontaVista® CGX enables state-of-art development across a wide array of intelligent devices, from 5G networking and Network Function Virtualization (NFV) to general embedded (Medical, Automotive, Consumer and industrial control) to Internet of Things (IoT) as well as special purpose like Mil-Aero. As a fully integrated, pretested environment, CGX offers a truly robust out of box experience for development teams.

Benefits

Powerful Linux Environment delivers carrier grade Linux reliability, security and serviceability to 5G Networks, NFV, Internet of Things (IoT) devices

Alignment with latest revisions of Yocto® Project releases
Virtualization: Linux Containers (LXC), DockerTM, & KVM
Security: Secure Boot, IMA/EVM, & OP-TEE framework
Agile development with QEMU Simulator, Secure Builds, and Flexible Configuration

Rapid Release Cadence
Latest Long Term Support (LTS) Linux kernel
Prebuilt cross architecture BSPs based on ARM® & Intel ® X86 64 (Power PC and MIPS as per roadmap)
Real Time / Deterministic Kernel, Low Footprint Configuration, Power Management & Fast boot

A non-unified kernel approach to reduce production cost and release cadence

Carrier Grade : High Availability, Serviceability, Long Term Support

Reliable
MontaVista® CGX offers Carrier Grade quality enhancements of High Availability, Security, Rich Networking and IO support, RealTime response time with high throughput and Multicore and Virtualization support.

Commercial
Developers can leverage MontaVista® CGX rich productivity tools, intensive testing and bug fixes to deliver proven quality for commercial products. Consistent updates, training, technical support, custom engineering, along with access to GPL legal expertise, and export compliance make CGX a full featured platform solution.

Agile
MontaVista® CGX enables rapid development via flexible import of custom packages, real-time enhancements, power management memory footprint optimization, and deep connectivity support.

Rapid Release
MontaVista® CGX will follow rapid release cadence to better align with latest Yocto® releases, enabling adoption of newer Long Term Support (LTS) Kernels and Tool-chains.
CGX 2.6 is MontaVista’s 12th generation Carrier Grade Linux.

Developers will have access to a supported Linux source distribution to create IoT, VNF, and 5G infrastructure solutions, besides general embedded products, on x86, ARM and other SoC families.

CGX 2.6 is targeted to be Yocto 2.6 compatible with the 4.19 kernel and 8.2 GCC toolchain.

- **Yocto 2.6 with Linux Long Term Support (LTS) Kernel 4.19 and GCC 8.2**
- **Flexible and secure update: SWUpdate framework**
- **Enhanced Virtualization support: Kubernetes, Checkpoint Restore in Userspace (CRIU)**
- **Security: Features to enable software offline and run-time integrity, and prepare for security certifications, such as OpenSSL FIPS mode, OPTEE/Trustzone, Secure Boot**
- **IoT Connectivity: Enablement for devices to connect the Next-generation networks, like Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE), 4G/LTE, Zigbee, LoRA, CANbus, Modbus, and Profibus**
- **IoT Gateway access: Features to bridge the core network with the sensor devices on the field via known APIs, such as Amazon AWS IoT, Microsoft Azure IoT, Google Cloud IoT and ARM mBed Client**
MontaVista® Linux® Carrier Grade eXpress (CGX), delivers a comprehensive platform meeting developers need of a truly open solution for higher control that is fully tested for reduced time to market. MontaVista also provides risk mitigation by providing its customers with protection from IP and patent infringement and will provide full US export registration coverage for CGX.

- Linux Board Support with latest Linux LTS Kernel version with Pre-integrated OE userland.
- Software Development Kit that includes latest YoctoTM latest release with GNU toolchains.
- MontaVista Zone secure content repository

Reduce your total cost of ownership with a fully supported, standardized Linux platform. The ‘make vs. buy’ decision has been resolved: acquiring CGX is the right choice for OEMs to build a device platform, eliminating concerns about reliability, security, upgrades, or patches, and allowing them to focus on core value-added expertise in application development.

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### Carrier Grade Linux (CGL)

Carrier Grade Linux (CGL) is a set of specifications which detail standards of availability, scalability, manageability, and service response characteristics which must be met in order for Linux kernel-based operating system to be considered “carrier grade”.
MontaVista Support & Professional Services

In addition to the technical values, MontaVista CGX users benefit from MontaVista’s global support organization that can also provide customized support programs for all customer needs. This is complemented by MontaVista’s world-class Engineering Services group to assist customers in building solutions to support their specific use cases ranging from portability of legacy applications to scalable KVM implementations with real-time performance.

In addition to the initial solution, the Engineering Services group can build out a full test and validation process and a long-term support and maintenance strategy to suit the requirements of any deployment strategy.

MontaVista CGX Profiles

MontaVista CGX is packaged as a base platform (called CGX Foundation) equipped with a core feature set needed to produce a high quality embedded product. For market specific requirements, MontaVista offers additional technology profiles such as IOT and Virtualization, that add key features and functionality critical for solutions in these verticals. CGX BSP enablement is based on profiles that will be enabled depending on the target market of the board/SoC. Customers can optimize value by selecting to subscribe only required profiles for a particular BSP.

Highlights

Security
- Secure Build & Updates
- Integrity MGM. (IMA/EVM) Secure Boot
- FIPS compliance, STIG & Common Criteria OSPP Std.

Carrier Grade Linux
- High availability
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IOT
Virtualization
DataPlane
Graphics

Foundation

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Profiles
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**Foundation - CGL**
The Carrier Grade Linux (CGL) profile has been merged with Foundation Profile and is available across all CGX-supported platforms. The packages and tools provided include features for high availability fault tolerance and serviceability.

**Foundation - Security**
MontaVista has worked closely with the leaders in enterprise security to create a platform that meet stringent security requirements for the network enterprise & connected device markets.

**Internet of Things**
The IoT profile delivers rich features for IoT devices, including support for OpenJDK and the Lua Scripting Language. In addition, MontaVista® Professional service engages with our customers to help meet the connectivity, reliability and security requirements of the connected devices markets such as medical, industrial and automotive.

**Dataplane**
The Dataplane Profile includes features important to meeting the demands of Software Defined Networks (SDN) and Network Function Virtualization (NFV) applications, including datapath acceleration via Open Datapath (ODP) and Dataplane Development Kit (DPDK), and virtual switching via Open vSwitch (OVS).

**Highlights**
- Busybox, GNU userland tools + CLANG for Apps, btrfs, PREEMPT_RT, HRT, Linux Containers (LXC), Tiny Image Config, Core Isolation, GDB, KGDB, Strace, Wireshark, Libunwind, ftrace, Valgrind, Perf, LLTng2, Libvirt, Transparent Huge Pages, Huge TLB, SNMP, Quagga, FTF, Apache2, SMART, iSCSI, NVMe, IPv4, IPv6, IPvSec
- Live App Core Dump (LACD), Kexec/Kdump, Flight Recorder, GDB Core Dump, Ethernet bonding, DM Multipath, Hard Lockup Detector, RAID, LVM+Snapshotting, NDB, DRBD, SecureLogs, Kernel Live Patching (KGrant), SysDig & "dm-crypt"
- ARM mbed, Azure Client, IoTivity MQTT, AMQP, BLE, ZigBee, CAN Cell-modem - 4G/LTE, DPM, Gateway/Server API, LoRA, Modbus, OPC UA, OpenJDK, Profibus, Wifi - AP & Client
- Data Plane Development Kit (DPDK)
- Open Data Plane (ODP)
- Open Virtual Switch (OVS)
Virtualization

KVM provides a full virtualized environment for hosting multiple guest OS's. KVM allows users to partition the system into multiple OS's with maximum isolation and security. Currently available for all architectures that support KVM.

Graphics

MontaVista’s Open Graphics profile provides latest graphics middleware and UI toolkits (Qt & GTK) along with reference 2D/3D applications making it easier to build customer friendly graphical user interface for medical embedded devices.
## CGX Solution Themes

MontaVista® CGX is designed for versatility. As an embedded Linux solution it helps developers deliver next generation devices ranging from core networking devices to IoT Gateways. MontaVista CGX profiles provide flexible building blocks that reduce development time, effort and risk. Here's a closer look at some important solution themes CGX profiles address:

### Mil-Aero with CGX

- Military and Aerospace systems demand highest level of fault tolerance with guaranteed reliability and enough serviceability features to ensure that any failures can be avoided, recorded/ logged and removed through ongoing quality improvements
- MontaVista Linux Carrier Grade Express adds additional value over open source or proprietary solutions by including features only available from MontaVista. These extra, high value features include:
  - **Serviceability Features** – MontaVista Field Safe Application Debugger, Runtime Application Patcher, kernel crash dumps, flight recorder, live application coredump, microstate accounting, resource monitoring
  - **Performance Features** – real-time kernel with breakable locks for improved latency, interrupt and preemption latency measuring tools, and application loading and locking
  - **Redundancy Features** – Ethernet bonding, application heart beating and failover, multi-hosted RAID, forced unmount, block device removal, and DRBD
  - **Networking Features** – VRF, IMQ Security Features – IPSec, SELinux High Availability
  - **Hardware Support** – IPMI and SAForum HPI, with support for ATCA, including hot swap management
  - **Standards Compatibility** – PICMG xTCA, Linux Foundation CGL, LSB, IPv6 (including mobile IPv6), SA Forum, ANSI and POSIX
  - **Development Tools** – gcc toolchain, gdb, kdb and kgdb kernel and driver debuggers, as well as memory leak checkers, profilers, the Linux Trace Toolkit, and more.

"The continuous and broad peer-review enabled by publicly available source code supports software reliability and security efforts through the identification and elimination of defects that might otherwise go unrecognized by a more limited core development team."

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### Medical-Automotive-Industrial with CGX

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- **Virtualization**—Native virtualization technologies like KVM, LXC/ Docker & Kubernetes (Container Orchestration) for delivering compelling Medical services as ready to use Virtual Network Functions (VNFs), applications and system software.
- **Security**—Encryption for data at rest and in motion, integrity management, and secure boot will be a requirement to meet HIPAA laws for standards for electronic exchange, security, and privacy of patient health information.
- **Graphics**—Open Graphics profile provides latest graphics middleware and UI toolkits (Qt & GTK) along with reference 2D/3D applications making it easier to build customer friendly graphical user interface for medical embedded devices.

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- **Mil/Aero**
  - Low Latency and bandwidth Content Caching
  - Heterogeneous Network Convergence
  - Radio & BBU separation
  - Network Slicing
- **Medical**
  - Connectivity — Wired, Wireless, Serial, Cloud etc.
  - Security — (Secure Boot, Root of Trust, Identity protection, Attack Prevention & Secure Update)
- **Automotive**
  - Containers, Docker, KVM & Virt. Tools
  - Data-plane (DPDK, ODP, OVS) MV Partners & MV LAB
- **Industrial**
  - IoT Connectivity
  - Industrial Reliability
  - Advanced protocols and special purpose industrial use communication

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(DoD 2009 OSS memo)
**5G with CGX**

5G Demands - Higher capacity, lowest latency and more consistent experience.

CGX is integral in devices that control how networks are created and behave. This is important because the next generation 5G networks are not only a new radio but also a framework to deliver 5G applications that require omnipresent scalable service delivery with highest reliability and performance.

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**IoT with CGX**

Modular and standards-based solution that delivers connectivity, reliably and security needed for IoT systems.

The Internet of Things (IoT) is driving the next evolutionary step in embedded devices. From wearables and smart appliances to automobiles, more and more intelligent connected devices are being developed today. These devices require a rich set of wired/wireless connectivity options and modular frameworks that can scale rapidly for resource constrained devices with advanced security for data storage and transmission.

MontaVista® CGX’s IoT profile enables delivering feature rich IoT devices with support for a wide variety of wireless and messaging protocols as well as support for IoT applications based on Java and Lua languages. In addition, MontaVista® Professional service partners with customers to meet their connectivity, reliability and security requirements for their IoT devices.

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NFV with CGX

Carrier Grade Linux for Next Generation Telecom & Network Infrastructure.

With the rapid increase in mobile and IoT network traffic, Network Equipment Providers (NEPs) are challenged with scaling mobile networks more efficiently than the static networks of the past. Many are looking for a solution where their networks can change on demand.

CGX meets the demands of the Software Defined Networks (SDN) and Network Function Virtualization (NFV), providing application portability, dynamic configuration, virtualized functions, and real-time performance in a single platform.

MontaVista products are being deployed globally and in over 100 million devices, ranging from cell phones to automobiles to Carrier equipment. Our domain expertise spans the gamut from network infrastructure (high performance and high availability of long device life and support capabilities), 5G Wireless & Software Defined Networks (Virtualization, Network Function Virtualization (NFV), Security, Datapath Acceleration (ODP & DPDK), Internet of Things (Connectivity, Reliability and Security) to General Embedded.

Highlights

**NVF**
- Containers, Docker, KVM & Virt. Tools
- Data-plane (DPDK, ODP, OVS) MV Partners & MV LAB

**SPEED by MontaVista**
- Joint hardware and software solution to reduce time to market
- Dedicated point of contacts
- On-going optimization through joint feedback to ensure customer success
About MontaVista Software

MontaVista Software is a leader in embedded Linux commercialization. For 20 years, MontaVista has been helping embedded developers get the most out of open source by adding commercial quality, integration, hardware enablement, expert support, and the resources of the MontaVista development community.