Zulu® Embedded: Customizable, open source Java Virtual Machines for IoT and embedded solutions based on OpenJDK

INTRODUCING ZULU® EMBEDDED

Zulu Embedded is a fully certified, completely customizable and 100% open source Java Virtual Machine for embedded devices. Zulu Embedded binaries are based on source code from the OpenJDK project (openjdk.java.net) and are designed to allow companies to leverage the latest advances in Java SE (Standard Edition) for embedded use cases. With extended support for multiple Java versions (e.g. 6, 7 and 8), Zulu Embedded is ideal for devices that require regular Java updates (e.g. bug fixes and security patches), including older or end-of-life versions of Java (e.g. Java 6). Zulu Embedded can be customized to meet the specific needs of your embedded device, including operating system, CPU architecture (x86, ARM, PPC), bitness (32 or 64-bit), Java patch level (6u45), and disk and memory sizes (Compact profiles).

FULLY CERTIFIED STANDARDS COMPLIANT

Each Zulu Embedded binary is verified compliant with the Java SE specifications using the OpenJDK Community Technology Compatibility Kit (TCK) licensed from Oracle. The TCK is a suite of more than 75K unit tests which ensures that each binary build of OpenJDK meets all the specifications of the individual JSRs (Java Specification Requests) for a given version of Java SE (e.g. Java 7). Each Zulu Embedded binary carries additional intellectual property (IP) protection granted by passing the TCKs as defined by the Java Specification Participation Agreement and provides extensive IP rights to compatible and specification compliant implementations.

OPEN SOURCE LICENSED VERIFIED

Every Zulu Embedded binary is verified to be pure open source and licensed under GPLv2 with Classpath Exception. Through the use of proprietary tools, Azul scans more than 7 million lines of OpenJDK sources (including dynamically generated files) to verify that Classpath Exception (CPE) tags are in all appropriate source files and that all accessible Java APIs have corresponding CPE tags. License verification ensures that a customer’s Java code is never contaminated by GPL or other licenses that could require the customer to open source their code or purchase additional licenses.

TIMELY MAINTENANCE UPDATES

Azul provides Zulu Embedded customers with continuous access to the latest Java CPUs (Critical Patch Updates) for all supported Zulu versions (e.g. Zulu Embedded Java 6, 7 and 8). These CPUs contain both Java SE bug fixes as well as security patches. Depending on the severity of the vulnerability, as defined by NIST Common Vulnerability Scoring System version 3 (CVSS v3), Azul offers different customer support packages, including Platinum Support, which can provide Zulu Embedded updates on the same day that CPUs are made available to the OpenJDK project.

24x7x365 SUPPORT OFFERINGS

While Java is a mature language, the Java runtime is a complex piece of code with no guarantees that it’s completely bug free or secure. As such, Azul offers companies and their embedded teams timely access to out-of-cycle patches to ensure their embedded applications are always running. Azul support offerings include a dedicated support team that can i) triage Java problems, ii) identify offending code (i.e. perform root cause analysis) and iii) issue temporary patches or security fixes without any dependency on any other company.

With more than 13 years delivering mission-critical support for Global 1000 accounts, Azul has the dedicated teams and deep Java domain expertise to provide the commercial support that embedded teams need to ensure their Java applications keep running smoothly, despite random Java platform bugs and regressions.
Zulu Embedded Features

- Verified 100% free and open source and based on OpenJDK
- Java SE compliant as certified by OpenJDK Community TCKs
- Performance parity with the leading JVM, including JIT compilation
- Customizable packaging from JDK to JRE to Compact Profiles
- Multiplatform support:
  - Java 6, 7 and 8
  - Windows, Linux and Mac OS X
  - x86, ARM32, ARM64, PPC
- Continuous access to Java CPUs and security patches
- Extended product life cycles and access to preview versions (Java 9)

Use Cases for Zulu Embedded

- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Home & Building Automation
- Healthcare
- Manufacturing Automation
- Networking Equipment
- Smart Grids
- Automotive
- Online Storage/NAS
- Consumer Electronics
- Home Gateways
- Point of Sale (POS) Systems

About Azul Systems

Azul Systems, the industry’s only company exclusively focused on Java and the Java Virtual Machine (JVM), builds fully supported, standards-compliant Java runtime solutions for global enterprises, ISVs and OEMs. Azul is a member of the Executive Committee of the Java Community Process (JCP), the Eclipse Foundation and the Cloud Foundry Foundation. Azul has been a Sun/Oracle Java Licensee since 2002.