



# **FT 5000 Smart Transceivers Neuron® 5000 Processors**

## **Technical Overview**

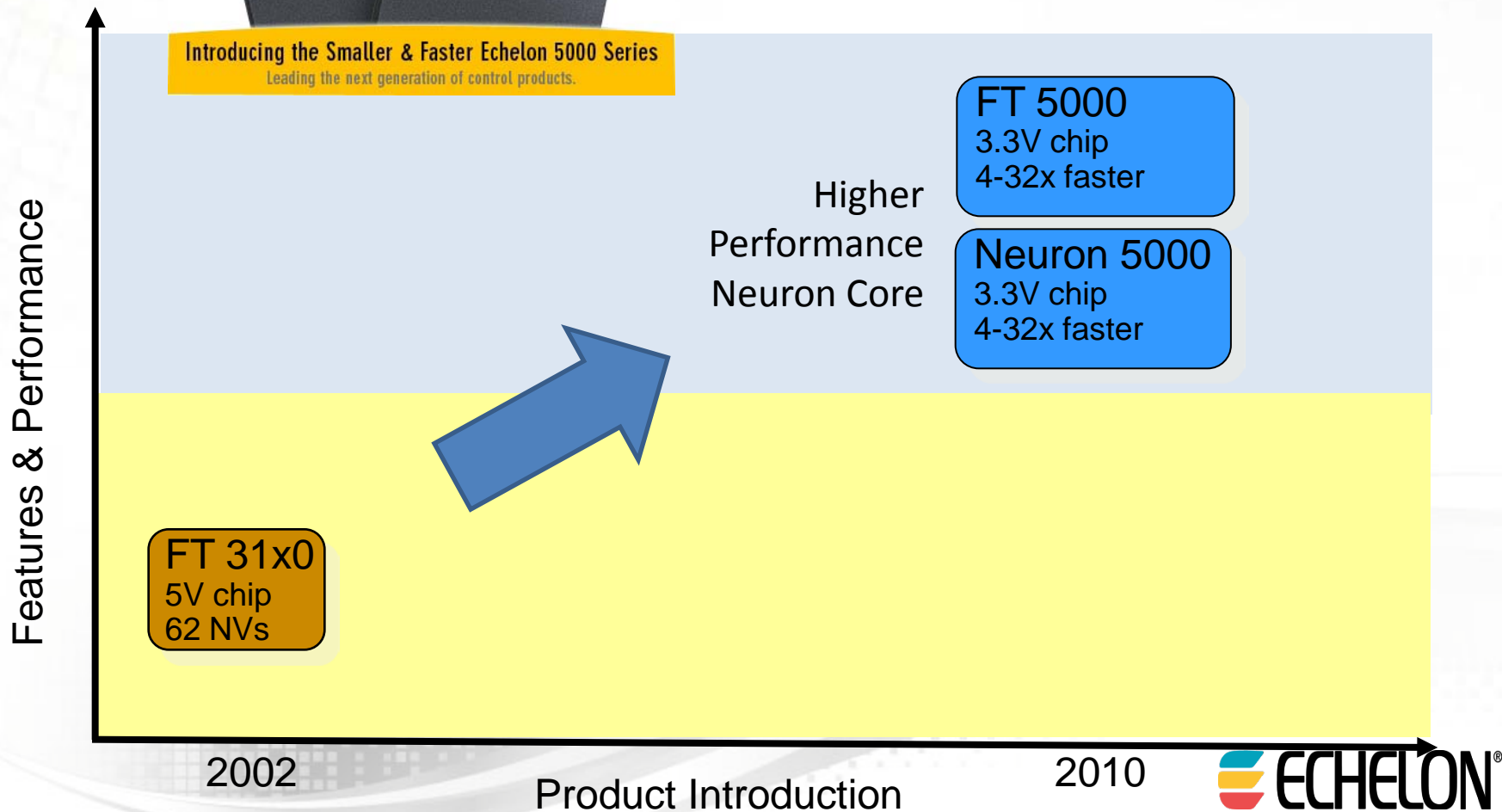
# Agenda

- Series 5000 products overview
- Key new features of FT 5000 / Neuron 5000 products
- Benefits to customers
- New memory architecture
  - Using external serial memories
  - Allowed memory configurations
  - Programming external memories
- FT-X3 communication transformer
- Summary

# Series 5000 Products Offering



- 254 Network Variables
- 62 Network Variables





# Key Features – 5000 Series

- 3.3V chip
- New memory architecture
  - Less expensive
  - Easily sourced from multiple vendors
  - Enables faster chip operation
  - 64KB on-chip RAM
- Performance enhancement
  - 80MHz maximum internal clock frequency (can be scaled down for power savings)
  - Supports 254 NVs without the use of ShortStack<sup>®</sup> Micro Server
  - Hardware multiplier and divider on chip
  - User interrupts supported
- Significant reduction in node cost
  - Up to a 50% node cost
- Small 7mm x 7mm QFN package

## Key Features (cont'd)

- Backward compatibility with
  - Communication Channel (FT 5000 Smart Transceiver only)
  - Instruction Set
  - I/O support
- Increased performance of Serial I/O models
  - Hardware support for SPI and SCI/UART serial interfaces
  - 16-entry FIFO at input and output
- FT 5000 combines the functionality of FT 3120<sup>®</sup> and FT 3150<sup>®</sup> Smart Transceivers
  - No non-volatile memory (NVM) on-chip for 5000 family of chips
  - External Serial NVM for non-volatile data (application code/data, configuration data)
    - Increased flexibility in choosing serial NVM based on application size
    - Easy upgrade in application memory size without new board layout
  - Same or less board space consumed by (FT 5000 + Serial memory) compared to 32 pin FT 3120 chip

# 5000 Series Benefits to Customers

- Cost Reduction
  - 3.3V chip
    - Less interface circuitry and/or on-board power supplies
  - Significant Node cost reduction
    - Includes FT 5000 chip, memory and transformer price
- Smaller Designs
  - Small QFN package
  - Uses small external memories: 8-pin SOIC package
- New functionality
  - Using a variety of higher performance features
    - HW Multipliers and Dividers
    - Interrupts
  - Increases memory space for application and data



FT 5000 IC    FT 3150 IC

# Series 5000 vs. Series 3100 Comparison

| Specification     | Series 3100                |           | Series 5000        |            |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--------------------|------------|
|                   | 3120 Core                  | 3150 Core |                    |            |
| Supply Voltage    | 5.0V                       |           | 3.3V               |            |
| External Memory   | Interface                  | None      | Parallel           | Serial     |
|                   | Pricing (64KB NVM)         | N/A       | \$1 - \$2          | ≤ \$0.60   |
|                   | Packages                   | N/A       | 32 PLCC<br>32 TSOP | 8-pin SOIC |
| Internal memory   | RAM                        | 2KB       |                    | 64KB       |
|                   | ROM                        | 12KB      | None               | 16KB       |
|                   | NVM                        | 4KB       | 0.5KB              | None       |
| Performance       | Internal clock speed (max) | 20MHz     | 10MHz              | 80MHz      |
|                   | Interrupts                 | No        |                    | Yes        |
|                   | Hardware Multiplier        | No        |                    | Yes        |
| Packages          | 32 SOIC<br>44 TQFP         | 64 TQFP   | 48 QFN             |            |
| Network Variables | 62                         |           | 254                |            |

# Series 5000 vs. Series 3100 Comparison

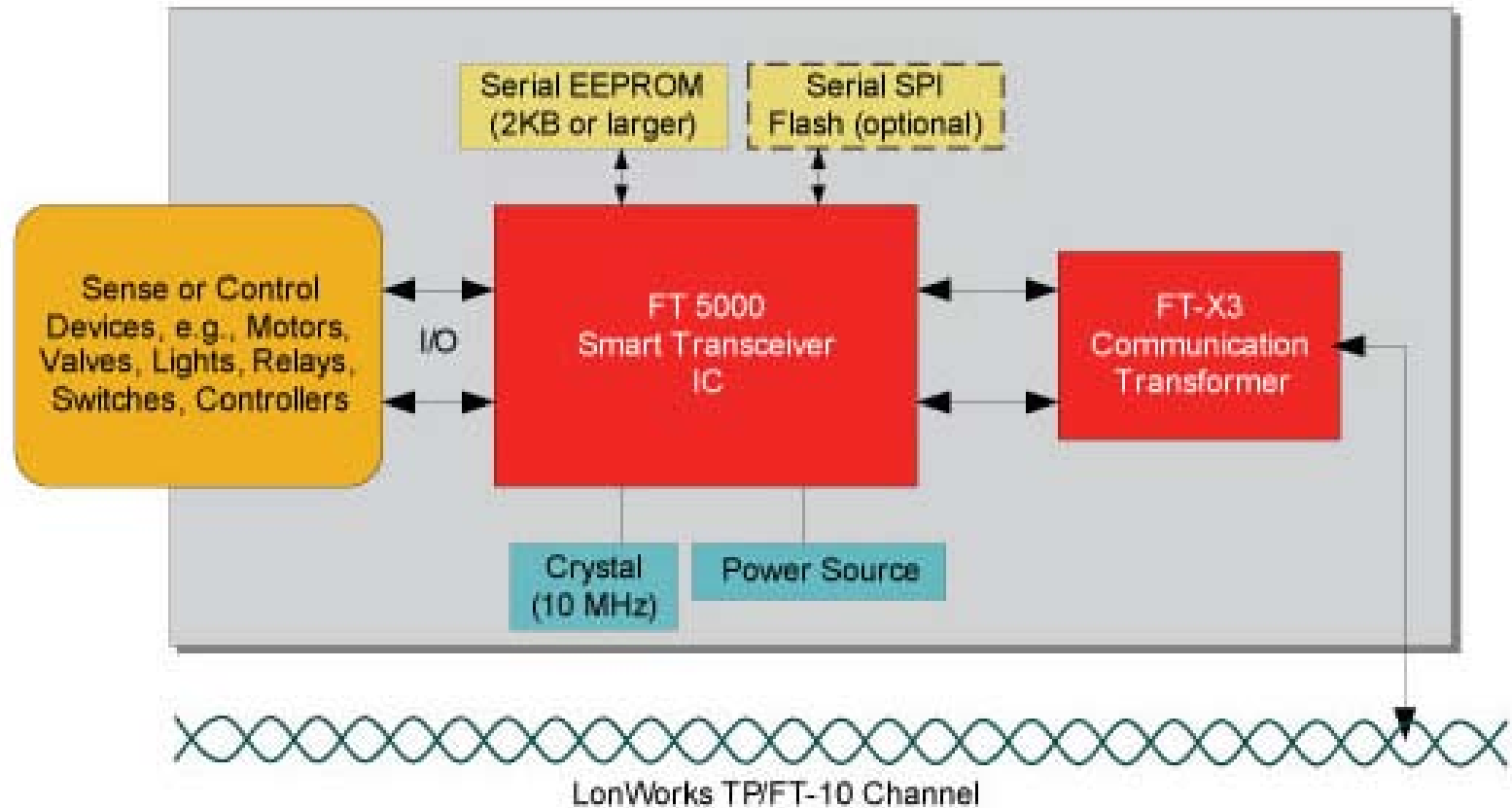
- Series 5000 IO pin changes:
  - 3.3V output, 5V tolerant inputs, all are 8mA source / sink
  - No pullups on IOs (only on SERVICE~ and RESET~)
- Series 5000 transceiver changes:
  - No internal differential transceiver (for DC or TP/XF channels)
- Series 5000 timing changes:
  - WDT reset period is now fixed across clock rates (840ms)
  - BIST flash on SERVICE~ pin is 76Hz, not 2kHz
- Other Series 5000 differences:
  - Sleep mode not supported (wasn't supported on FT 31x0 either)
  - Xtal oscillator output doesn't support driving buffer (may change)

# Series 5000 Current Consumption

- FT 5000 Current Consumption Comparison
  - Remember that the FT 31x0 chips' internal clock is ½ of the external clock rate
  - The Series 5000 chips have good current consumption in addition to faster processing power...

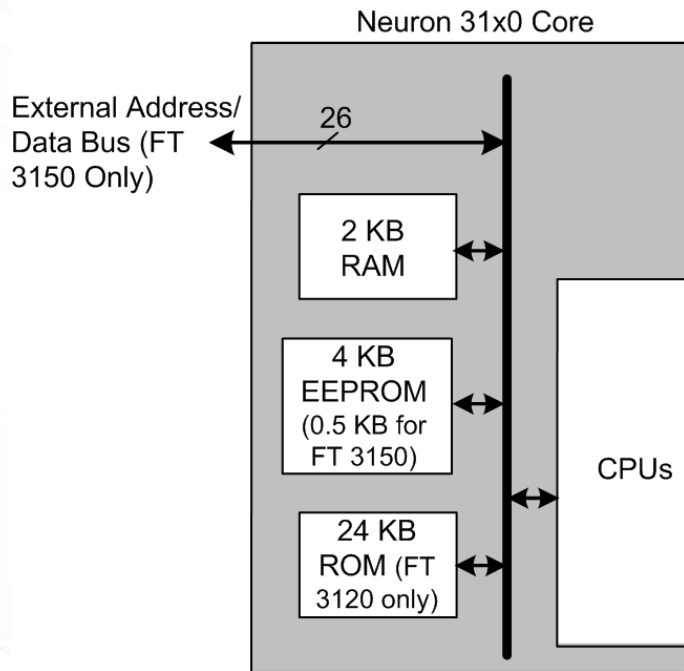
| Current Consumption     | FT 5000<br>Typical           | FT 5000<br>Maximum           | FT 3120<br>Maximum           |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>In receive mode</b>  |                              |                              |                              |
| 5 MHz                   | 9 mA                         | 15 mA                        | 35 mA                        |
| 10 MHz                  | 9 mA                         | 15 mA                        | 42 mA                        |
| 20 MHz                  | 15 mA                        | 23 mA                        | 60 mA                        |
| 40 MHz                  | 23 mA                        | 33 mA                        |                              |
| 80 MHz                  | 38 mA                        | 52 mA                        |                              |
| <b>In transmit mode</b> | $I_{DD3-RX} + 15 \text{ mA}$ | $I_{DD3-RX} + 18 \text{ mA}$ | $I_{DD3-RX} + 15 \text{ mA}$ |

# LonWorks Node with FT 5000 Smart Transceiver

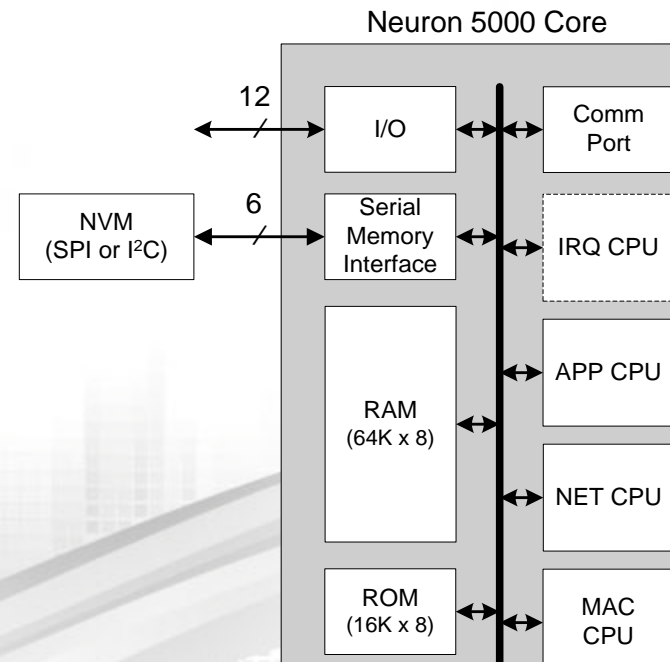


# 5000 Series - New Memory Architecture Support

- Neuron 3120+ Core
  - Internal NVM (4KB only)
- Neuron 3150+ Core
  - External Parallel Flash/EEPROM
  - Performance limited by external memory access time
  - Limited availability of 3.3V parallel memories



- Neuron 5000+ Core
  - External Serial Flash/EEPROM
  - External memory image copied into internal RAM to execute the application
  - Performance NOT limited by external memory access time



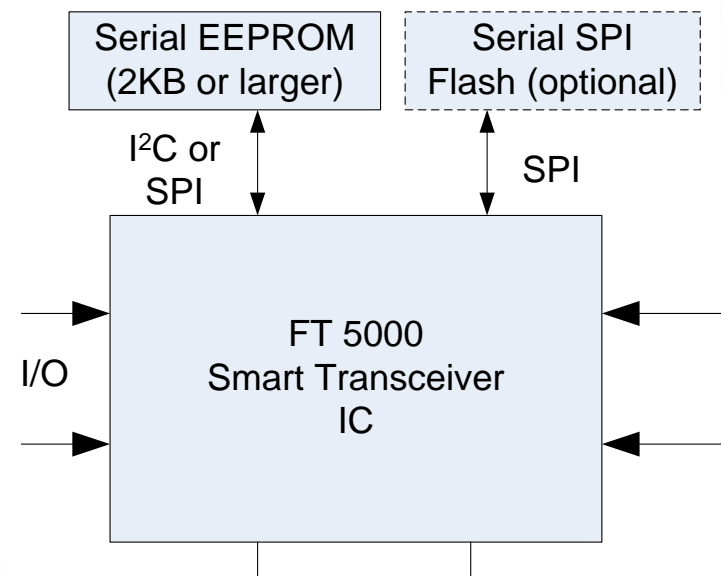
# 5000 Series On-Chip Memory Support

- **16KB ROM**
  - Holds default V19 firmware system image
- **64KB RAM**
  - Shadows entire memory space for fast CPU operation
  - 44KB user accessible
- **No on-chip non-volatile memory**
  - Except to store Neuron IDs

|                  |  |       |
|------------------|--|-------|
| 0xF800 to 0xFFFF | Reserved   | 2 KB  |
| 0xF000 to 0xF7FF | Mandatory EEPROM   | 2 KB  |
| 0xE800 to 0xEFFF | On-Chip RAM  | 2 KB  |
|                  | Extended Memory<br>(Configurable as:<br>Extended RAM<br>or<br>Non-volatile memory) |       |
| 0x4000 to 0xE7FF |  | 42 KB |
| 0x0000 to 0x3FFF | On-Chip ROM  | 16 KB |

# 5000 Series - Using External Serial Memory

- Serial Interfaces supported
  - I<sup>2</sup>C (Inter-Integrated Circuit)
  - SPI (Serial Peripheral Interface)
- Types of serial memories supported
  - EEPROM (can use either I<sup>2</sup>C or SPI interface)
  - Flash (only use SPI interface)
- Required (to store configuration data)
  - At least 2KB off-chip EEPROM
- Optional (to store application code)
  - Larger capacity EEPROM OR additional flash memory
    - Only first 2KB of EEPROM of the Flash is used





# 5000 Series – Supported Memory Configurations

| EEPROM           |     | Flash |   |
|------------------|-----|-------|---|
| I <sup>2</sup> C | SPI | SPI   | Notes   |
| √                |     |       | A single I <sup>2</sup> C EEPROM memory device, from 2 KB to 64 KB in size  |
| √                |     | √     | One I <sup>2</sup> C EEPROM (at least 2 KB in size, up to 64 KB in size, but the system uses only the first 2 KB of the EEPROM memory)<br>One SPI flash memory device |
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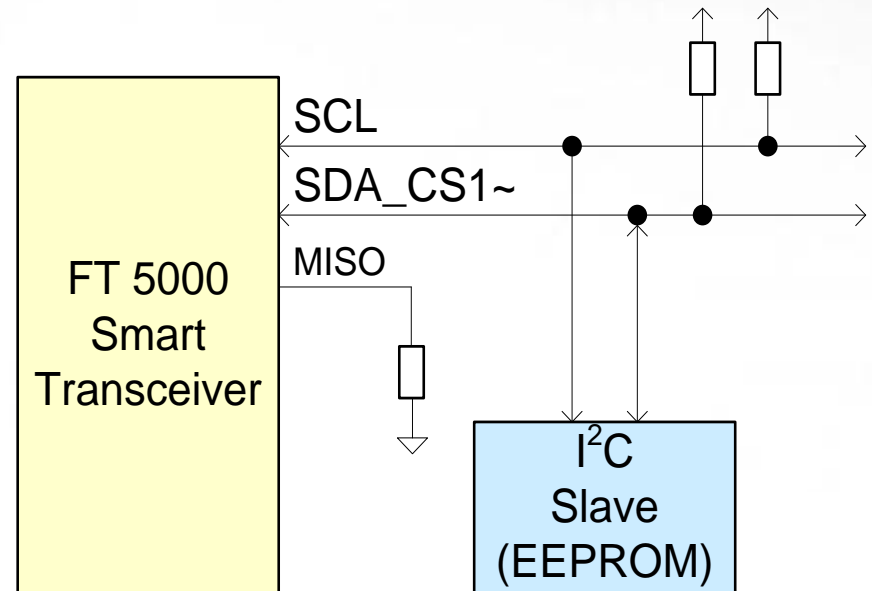
# 5000 Series – External Serial Memory Interface Support

- 6 Pins dedicated for external serial memory interfaces

| Pin Name | Used For              | Description   |
|----------|-----------------------|---|
| CS0~     | SPI                   | SPI slave select 0 (active low)   |
| SDA_CS1~ | SPI, I <sup>2</sup> C | I <sup>2</sup> C: serial data (SDA)<br>SPI: slave select 1 (CS1~, active low) |
| SCL      | I <sup>2</sup> C      | I <sup>2</sup> C: serial clock (SCL)  |
| MISO     | SPI                   | SPI master input, slave output  |
| SCK      | SPI                   | SPI serial clock  |
| MOSI     | SPI                   | SPI master output, slave input  |

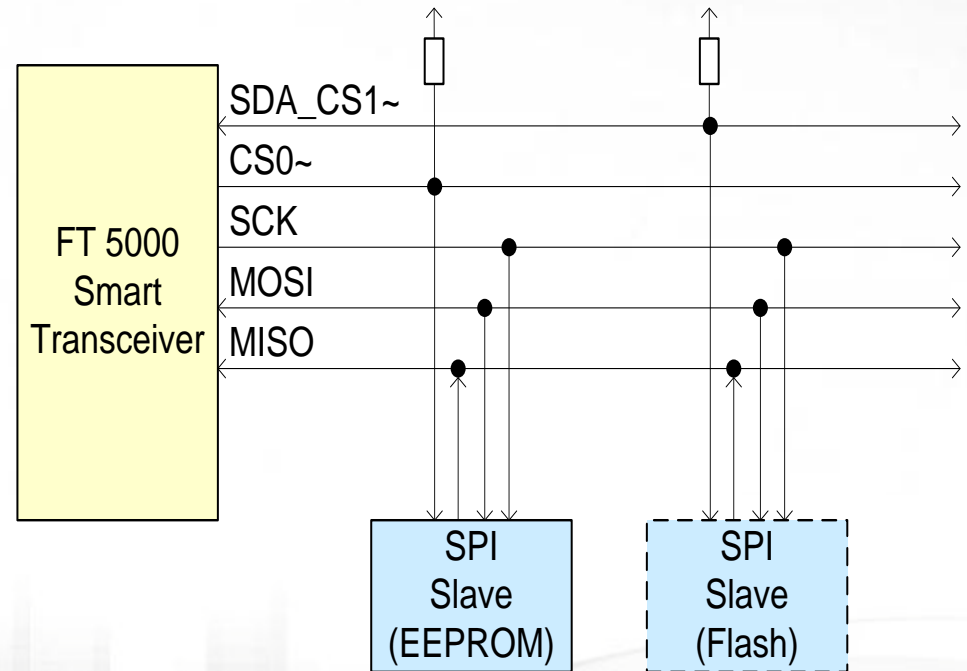
# 5000 Series – Using the I<sup>2</sup>C interface

- Neuron 5000/ FT 5000 chip as the I<sup>2</sup>C master
- Uses 2 out of 6 pins dedicated for external memory connections
- EEPROM can be 2KB to 64KB in size
  - Only 42KB can be used by application



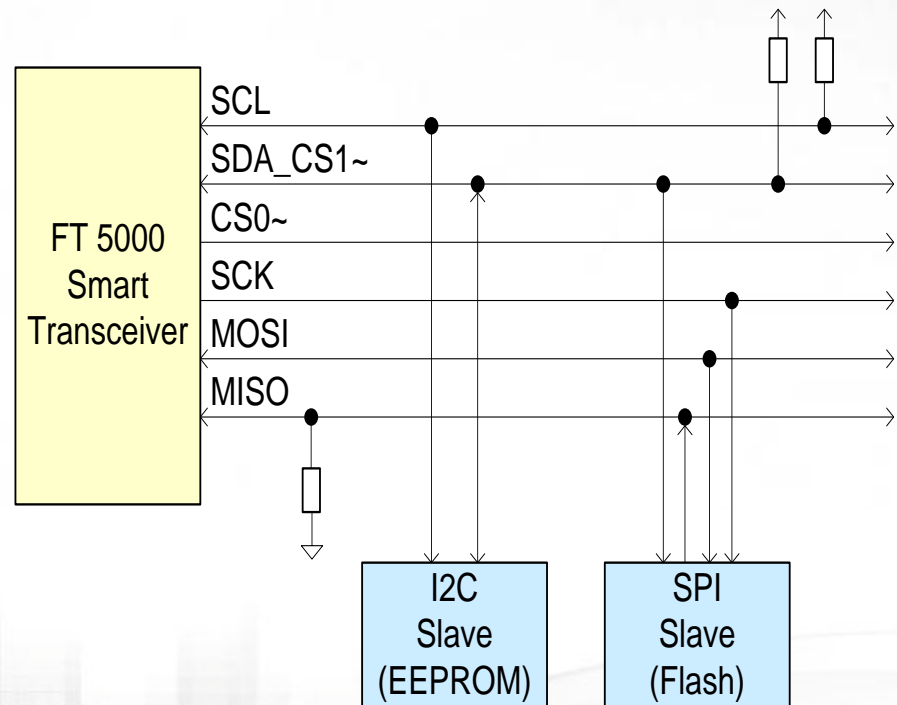
# 5000 Series – Using the SPI interface

- Neuron 5000 / FT 5000 Chip as the SPI Master (not multi-master)
- Can either use EEPROM only or both EEPROM and flash memory
- Only 2KB of EEPROM used in case flash is also present



# 5000 Series - Using Both SPI and I<sup>2</sup>C interfaces

- Neuron 5000 / FT 5000 chip as the I<sup>2</sup>C/SPI master
- Uses all 6 pins dedicated for external memory connections
- Only 2KB of EEPROM used (even if larger EEPROM is present)
- Pin SDA\_CS1~ shared between SPI and I<sup>2</sup>C
  - Only SPI or I<sup>2</sup>C transfer can be active at any time



# Comparing Memory Technology - EEPROM vs Flash

- EEPROM
  - Has smaller sector size
  - Used commonly for data logging and configuration data
- Flash Memory
  - Larger sector sizes
  - Have to write entire sector even if writing one byte in the sector
    - May result in lower total write cycles over life time compared to EEPROM
  - Used commonly for application code
  - Minimum size available 64KB
  - Less expensive than similar sized serial EEPROM

# Factors Influencing Choice of Memory

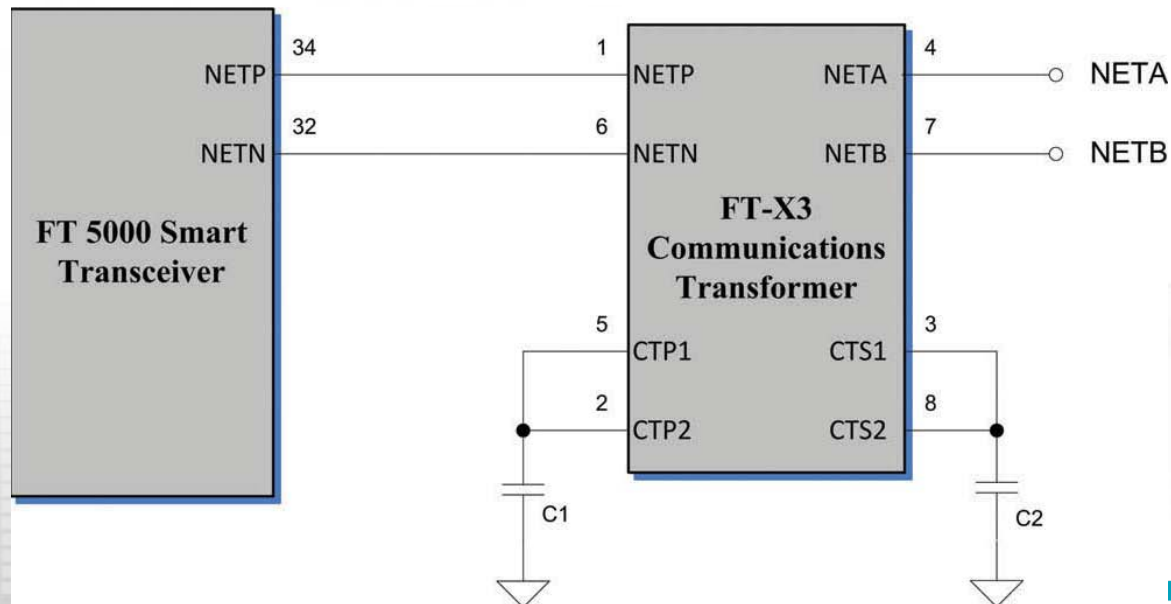
- Use of single external memory versus two memories
  - At least 2KB EEPROM is required
  - Example: if 40 KB application space is needed
    - Option 1: Use a 64KB EEPROM
    - Option 2: Use a 2KB EEPROM and a 64KB flash
- Cost comparison between a large EEPROM device and a combination of a small EEPROM and large flash devices
  - Using example above (note pricing may vary):
    - Option 1 cost: \$0.75 (64KB EEPROM)
    - Option 2 cost: \$0.10 (2KB EEPROM) + \$0.36 (64KB Flash) = \$0.46
- Use of non-volatile variables by the application
  - Is the memory needed for application code (flash memory preferred) or for data-logging (EEPROM preferred)?

# Programming External Memories

- Multiple ways to program external memories
  - Pre-programming before soldering on the board
    - Uses any programmer that programs serial EEPROM/Flash
  - In-circuit programming on the boards
    - Use either pins, headers or test points on the boards to program the serial memory chip
  - Over the network
    - Programmed through FT 5000 Smart Transceivers

# Details of FT-X3 Communications Transformer

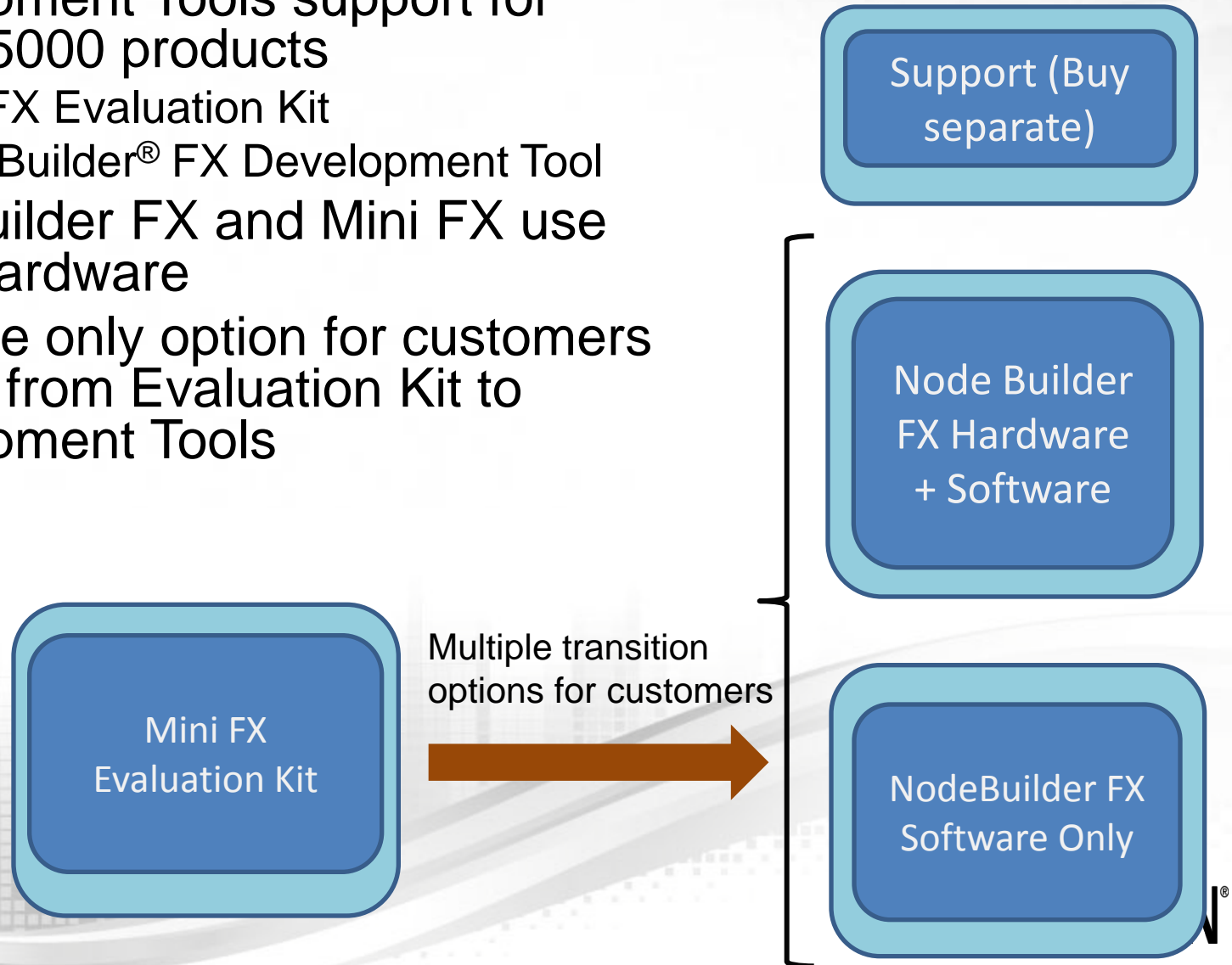
- Surface mount
  - Not pin compatible with FT-X1 / X2
- Same magnetic noise immunity as FT-X1 or FT-X2 communication transformer
- Backward compatible with FT31x0 transceivers



FT-X3 Communications Transformer Pinout Diagram

# 5000 Series Development Tools Support

- Development Tools support for Series 5000 products
  - Mini FX Evaluation Kit
  - NodeBuilder® FX Development Tool
- NodeBuilder FX and Mini FX use same hardware
- Software only option for customers moving from Evaluation Kit to Development Tools



# Summary

- Echelon's technology is the most widely used for smart control worldwide
- Echelon has been a pioneer and leader in the intelligent embedded control networking market
  - Echelon is committed to this market and is looking to grow this market with leading edge solutions
- Echelon continues to bring products to market that offer customers key benefits
  - 5000 Series offers customers the benefits of lower cost and higher performance

# 5000 Series Ordering Information

- Neuron 5000 Processor – Model Number 14305R-2000
- FT 5000 Smart Transceiver – Model Number 14235R-2000
- FT-X3 Communications Transformer – Model Number 14255R-400
- Mini FX/FT Evaluation Kit – Model Number 10000R-40-24
- FT 5000 EVB Evaluation Board – Model Number 28022R
- NodeBuilder FX/FT Development Tool – Model Number 10020R-40-24