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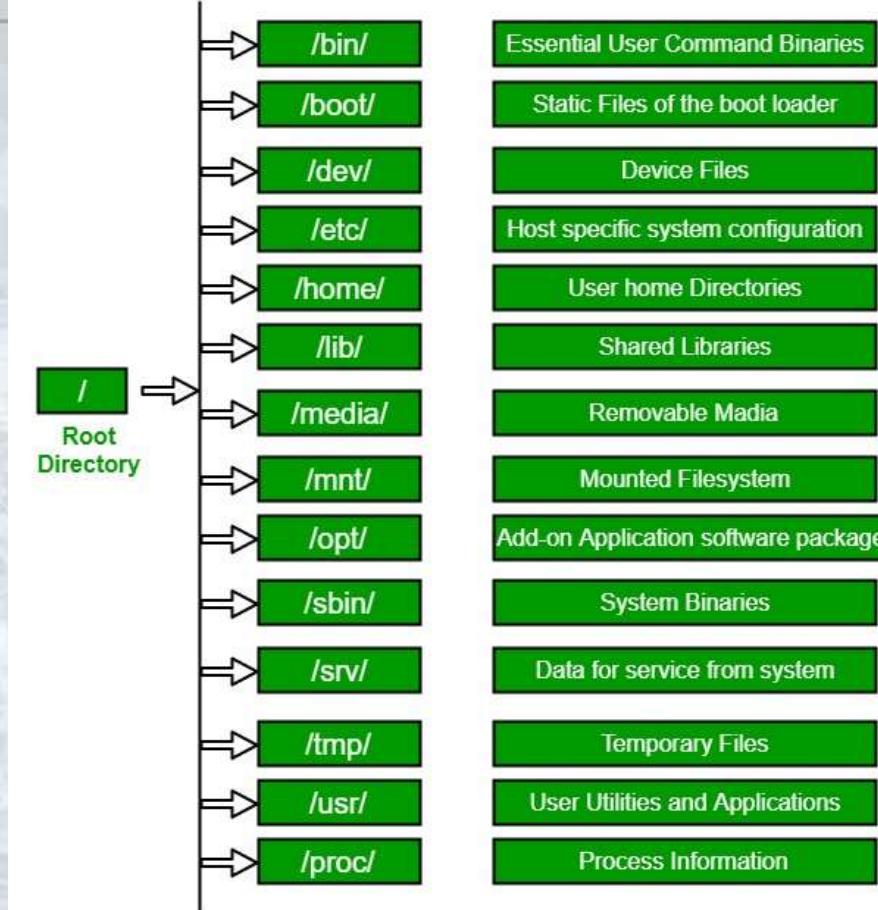
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Root File System

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Root File System

- ▶ File system is **an approach** on how the data can be organized in order to have a meaningful read or write in a system
- ▶ The method used to manage these groups of data can be called as "File systems"
- ▶ The most commonly used media to store the data are
 - ▶ Storage Devices
 - ▶ Hard Drive
 - ▶ Optical Discs
 - ▶ Flash Memories
 - ▶ RAM (Temporary)
 - ▶ Network like NFS

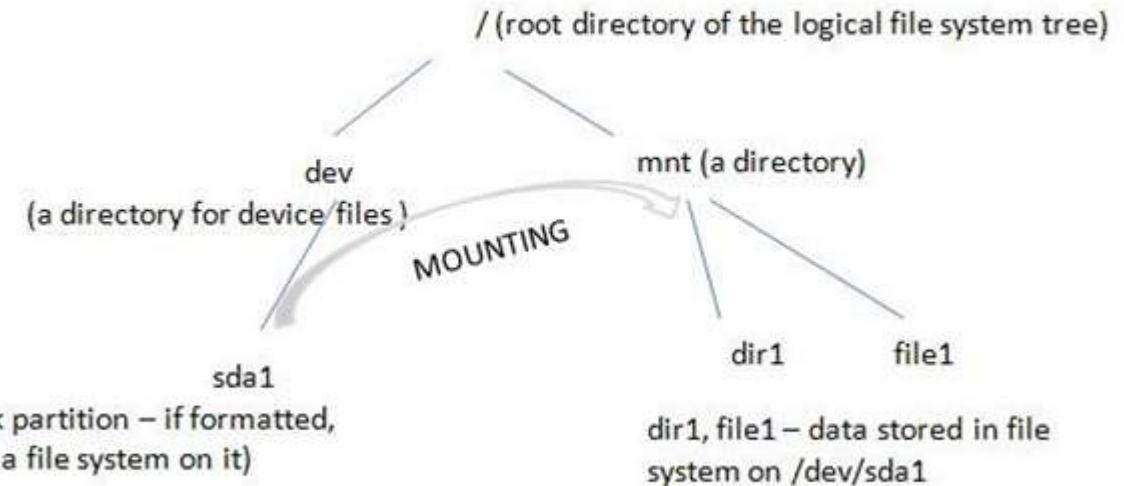


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Filesystems

- ▶ Filesystems are mounted in a specific location in this hierarchy of directories
 - ▶ When a filesystem is mounted in a directory (called **mount point**), the contents of this directory reflects the contents of **the storage device**
- ▶ When the filesystem is unmounted, the **mount point** is empty again.
- ▶ This allows applications to access files and directories easily, regardless of their exact storage location

File System accessible for R/W from /mnt after mounting



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mount / umount

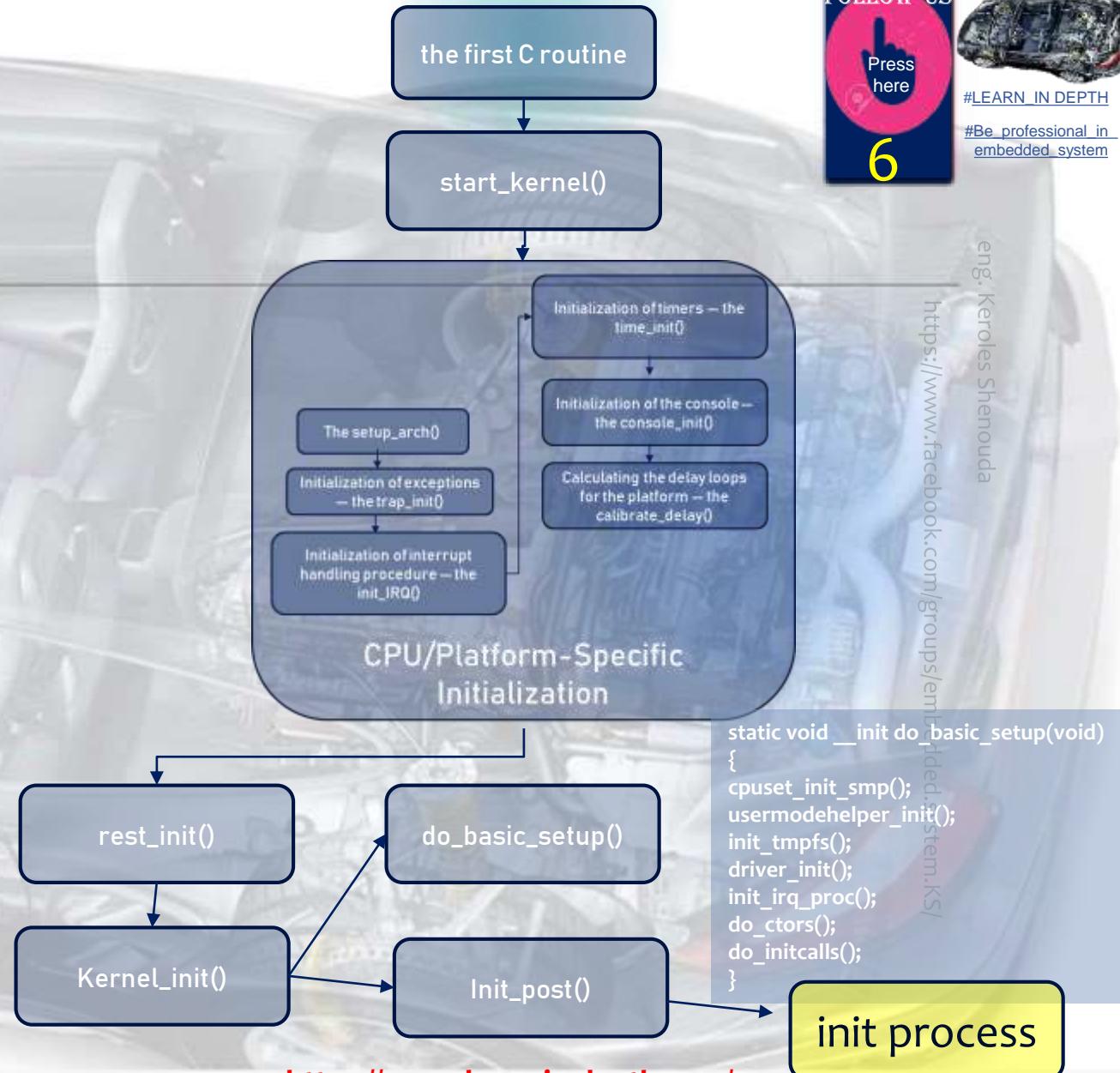
- ▶ **mount** allows to mount filesystems
 - ▶ `mount -t type device mountpoint`
 - ▶ `type` is the type of filesystem (optional for non-virtual filesystems)
 - ▶ `device` is the storage device, or network location to mount
 - ▶ `mountpoint` is the directory where files of the storage device or network location will be accessible
 - ▶ `mount` with no arguments shows the currently mounted filesystems
- ▶ **umount** allows to unmount filesystems
 - ▶ This is needed before rebooting, or before unplugging a USB key, because the Linux kernel caches writes in memory to increase performance. `umount` makes sure that these writes are committed to the storage.

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Root filesystem

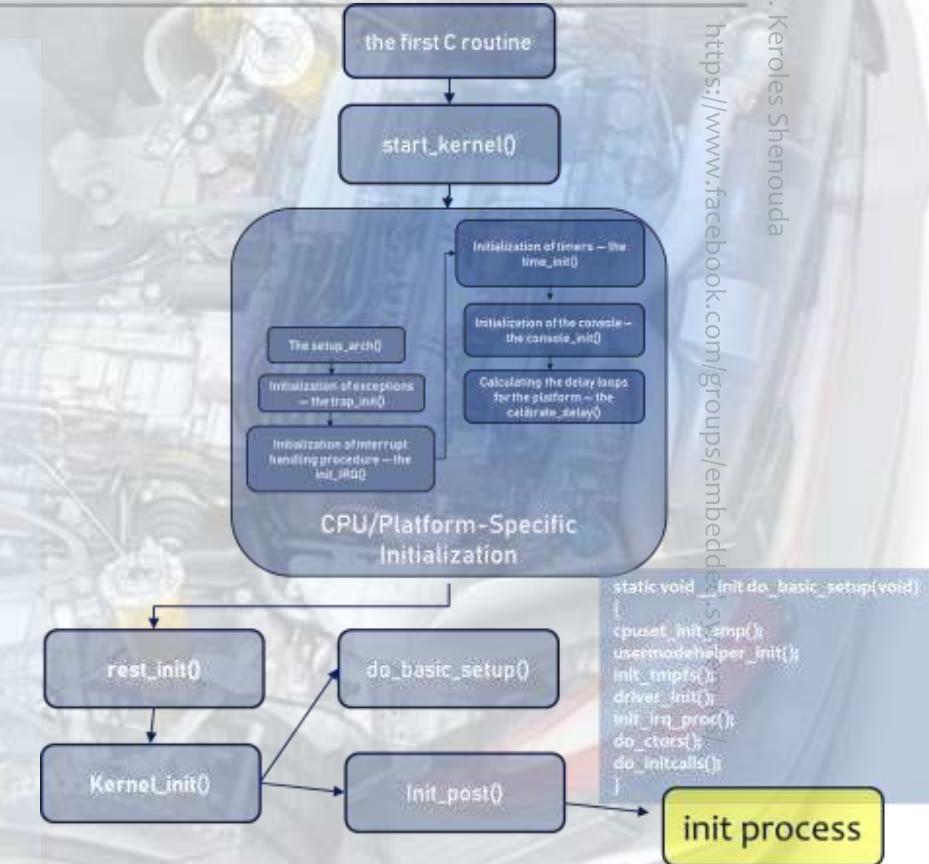
- ▶ As the root filesystem is the **first** mounted filesystem, it cannot be mounted with the normal mount command
 - ▶ It is mounted directly by the kernel, according to the **root=kernel** option
 - ▶ When no root filesystem is available, **the kernel panics**
 - ▶ Please append a correct "root=" boot option
 - ▶ Kernel panic - not syncing: VFS: Unable to mount root fs on unknown block(0,0)



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Kernel initialization

- ▶ The bootloader initializes the processor and board, and **uncompresses** the kernel code to RAM, and calls the kernel's `start_kernel()` function.
- ▶ Copies the command line from the bootloader
- ▶ Identifies the processor and machine.
- ▶ Initializes the console.
- ▶ Initializes kernel services (memory allocation, scheduling, file cache...)
- ▶ Creates a new kernel thread (future init process) and continues in the idle loop
- ▶ Initializes devices and execute initcalls



Location of the root filesystem

- ▶ It can be mounted from different locations
 - ▶ From the partition of a **hard disk**
 - ▶ From the partition of a **USB key**
 - ▶ From the partition of an **SD card**
 - ▶ From the partition of a **NAND flash chip** or similar type of storage device
 - ▶ From the network, using the **NFS protocol**
 - ▶ From memory (**initramfs**), using a pre-loaded filesystem (by the bootloader) etc.
 - ▶ It is up to the system designer to choose the configuration for the system, and configure the kernel behavior with `root=`

or

- `root=/dev/sdXY`, where X is a letter indicating the device, and Y a number indicating the partition
- `/dev/sdb2` is the second partition of the second disk drive (either **USB key** or **ATA hard drive**)

- `root=/dev/mmcblkXpY`, where X is a number indicating the device and Y a number indicating the partition
- `/dev/mmcblkop2` is the second partition of the first device

- `root=/dev/mtdblockX`, where X is the partition number
- `/dev/mtdblock3` is the fourth partition of a **NAND flash chip** (if only one **NAND flash chip** is present)

```
setenv bootargs console=${console} root=/dev/nfs rootfstype=nfs
ip=dhcp nfsroot=10.0.0.20:/srv/nfs/test_filesystem
```

`root=/dev/ram0`

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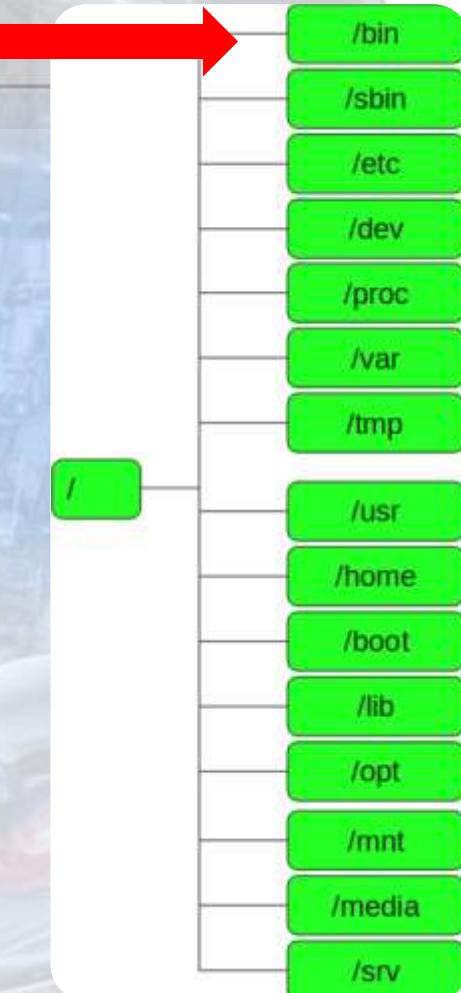
File System Contents (bin)

Basic programs

- ▶ Place for most commonly used terminal commands
- ▶ Common Linux commands you need to use in single-user modes are located under this directory.
- ▶ Commands used by all the users of the system are located here.

Examples:

- ▶ - ls
- ▶ - ping
- ▶ - grep
- ▶ - cp



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File System Contents

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File System Contents (sbin)

Basic system programs

- ▶ Just like /bin, **/sbin** also contains **binary executables**.
- ▶ But, the Linux commands located under this directory are used typically by system administrator, for system maintenance purpose
- ▶ Examples:
 - ▶ reboot
 - ▶ fdisk
 - ▶ ifconfig

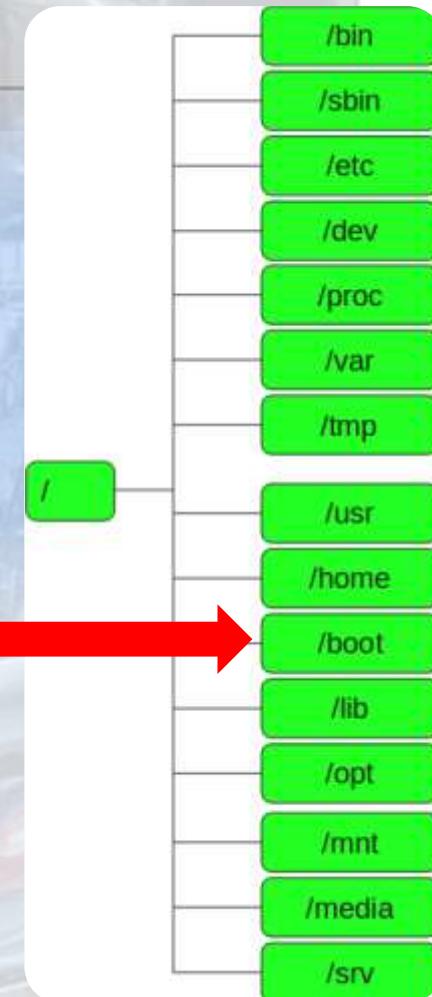


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File System Contents (boot)

Kernel image (only when the kernel is loaded from a filesystem, not common on non-x86 architectures)

- ▶ Contains files needed to start up the system, including the Linux kernel, a RAM disk image and bootloader configuration files
- ▶ Kernel image (only when the kernel is loaded from a file system, not common on non-x86 architectures)



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File System Contents (etc)

System-wide configuration

- ▶ Contains configuration files required by all programs.
- ▶ This also contains startup and shutdown **shell scripts** used to start/stop individual programs.
- ▶ Examples:
 - ▶ - /etc/resolv.conf
 - ▶ - /etc/logrotate.conf



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File System Contents (home)

Directory for the users home directories

- ▶ Home directories for all users to store their personal files.
- ▶ Example:
 - ▶ /home/karas
 - ▶ /home/keroles



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File System Contents (lib)

Basic libraries

- Contains **library files** that **supports** the binaries located under /bin and /sbin



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File System Contents (media)

Mount points for removable media

- ▶ Temporary mount directory for removable devices.

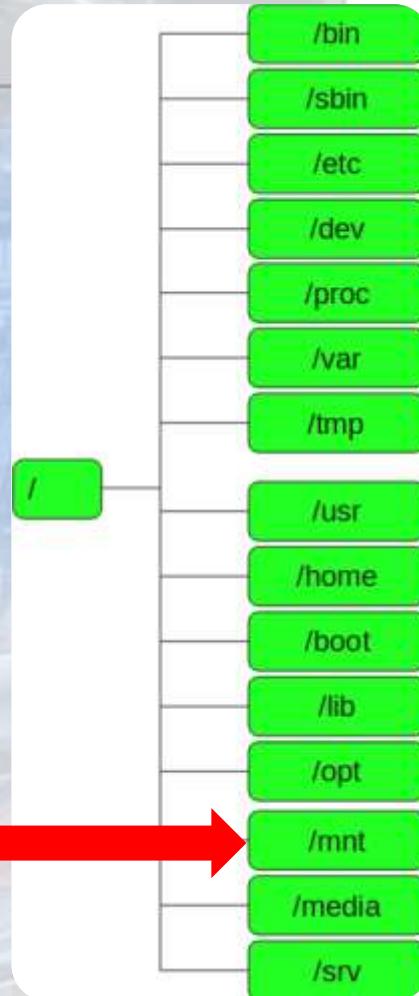


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File System Contents (mnt)

Mount points for static media

- ▶ Temporary mount directory where **sysadmins** can mount file systems



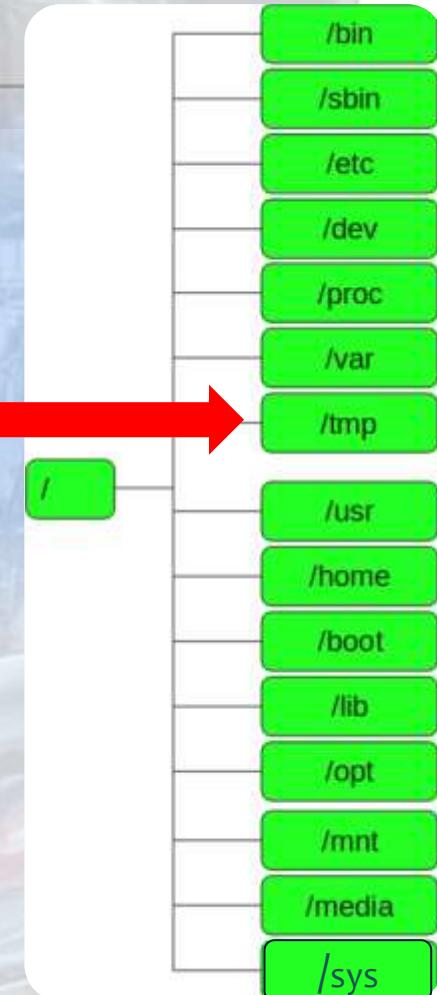
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File System Contents (tmp)

Temporary files

- ▶ Directory that contains temporary files created by system and users
- ▶ Files under this directory are **deleted** when system is rebooted.



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File System Contents (usr)

/usr/bin Non-basic programs

/usr/lib Non-basic libraries

/usr/sbin Non-basic system programs

- ▶ Contains binaries, libraries, documentation, and source-code for user programs.
- ▶ **/usr/bin** contains binary files for user programs. If you can't find a user binary under /bin, look under /usr/bin.
- ▶ **/usr/sbin** contains binary files for system administrators. If you can't find a system binary under /sbin, look under /usr/sbin.
- ▶ **/usr/lib** contains libraries for /usr/bin and /usr/sbin
- ▶ **/usr/local** contains users programs that you install from source



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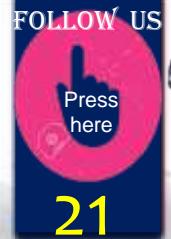
File System Contents (var)

Variable data files

- ▶ **var** stands for variable files.
- ▶ Content of the files that are expected to grow can be found under this directory.
- ▶ This includes
 - ▶ /var/log - system log files
 - ▶ /var/lib - packages and database files
 - ▶ /var/mail - emails
 - ▶ /var/spool - print queues
 - ▶ /var/lock - lock files
 - ▶ /var/tmp - temp files needed across reboots



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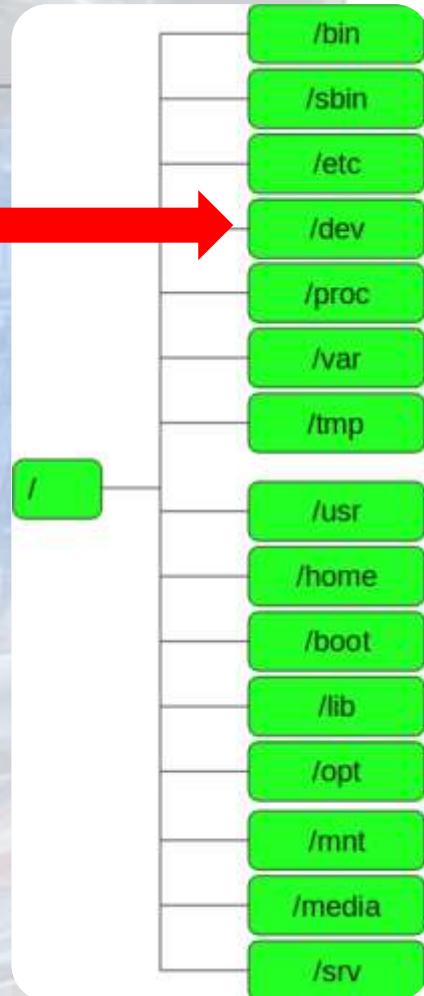
Device Files

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File System Contents (dev)

Device files

- ▶ These include terminal devices, usb, or any device attached to the system.
- ▶ Examples:
 - ▶ /dev/tty1
 - ▶ /dev/usbmon0
- ▶ One of the kernel important roles is to allow applications to access hardware devices

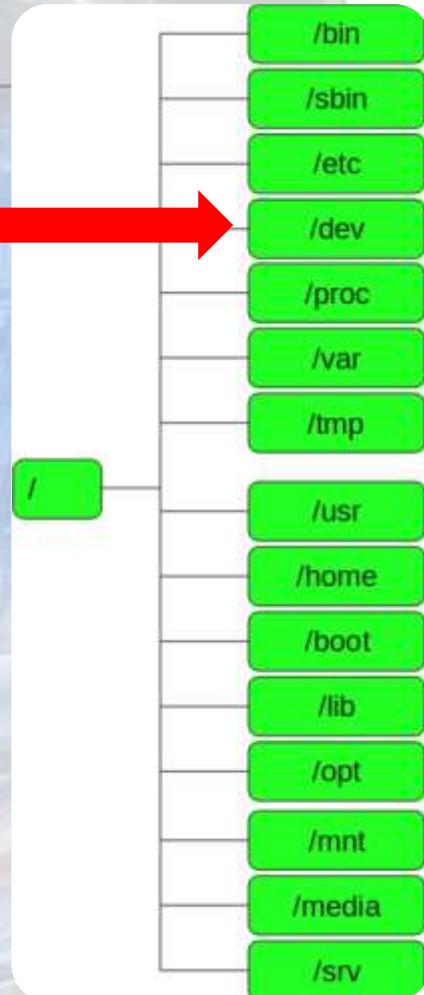


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File System Contents (dev)

Device files Cont.

- ▶ In the Linux kernel, most devices are presented to user space applications through two different abstractions
 - ▶ **Character device**
 - ▶ Originally, **an infinite stream of bytes**, with no beginning, no end, no size. The pure example: a serial port.
 - ▶ Used for **serial ports, terminals**, but also **sound cards, video acquisition devices, frame buffers**.
 - ▶ Most of the devices that are not block devices are represented as character devices by the Linux kernel
 - ▶ **Block device**
 - ▶ A device composed of fixed-sized blocks, that can be read and written to store data
 - ▶ Used for hard disks, USB keys, SD cards, etc.
- ▶ Internally, the kernel identifies each device by a triplet of information
 - ▶ **Type** (character or block)
 - ▶ **Major** (typically the category of device)
 - ▶ **Minor** (typically the identifier of the device)



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File System Contents (dev)

Device files Cont.

► Devices >>>> everything is a file

- Most system objects are represented in Linux as **files**.
- It allows applications to manipulate all system objects with the normal file API (open, read, write, close, etc.)
- So, **devices** had to be represented as **files** to the applications
- This is done through a special artifact called a **device file**
- It is a special type of file, that associates **a file name visible to user space applications** to the triplet (**type, major, minor**) that the kernel understands
- All **device files** are by convention stored in the /dev directory

► Example of device files in a Linux system

- **brw-rw----** 1 root disk 8, 1 2011-05-27 08:56 /dev/sda1
- **crw-rw----** 1 root dialout 4, 64 2011-05-27 08:56 /dev/ttyS0

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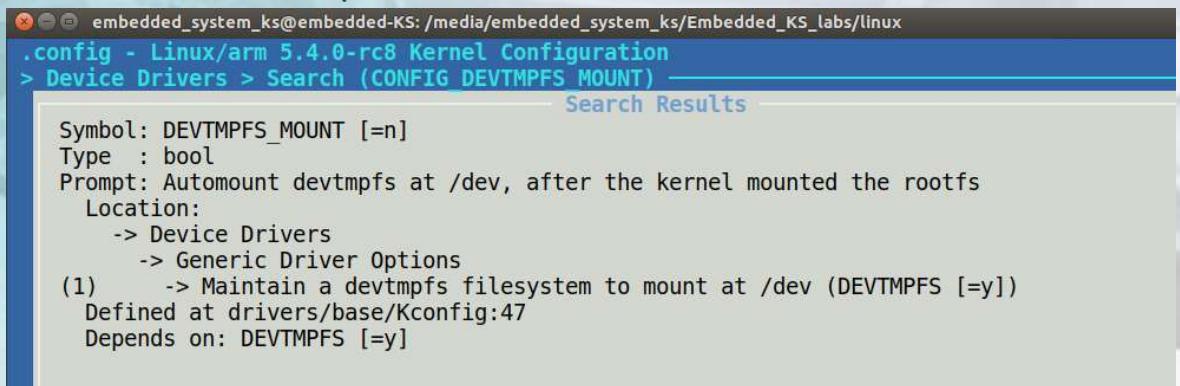
File System Contents (dev)

Device files Cont.

- ▶ Example C code that uses the usual file API to write data to a serial port

```
int fd;
fd = open("/dev/ttyS0", O_RDWR);
write(fd, "Hello", 5);
close(fd);
```

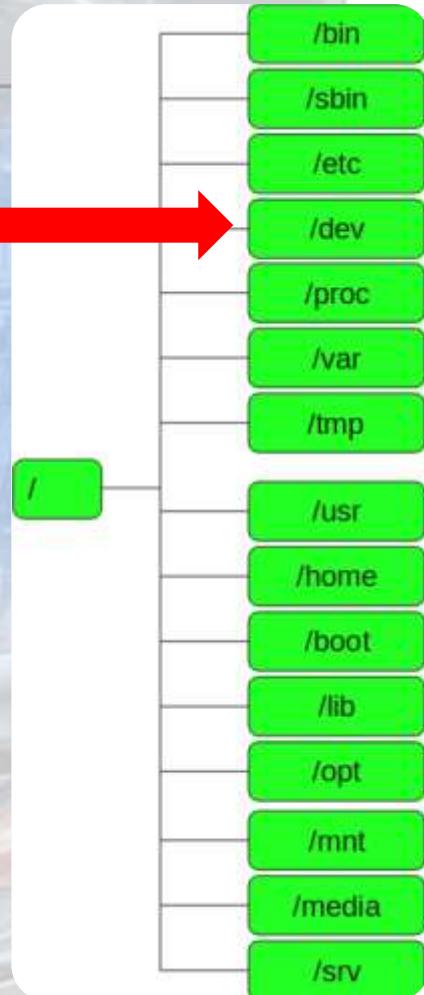
- ▶ The devtmpfs virtual filesystem can be mounted on /dev and contains all the devices known to the kernel. The CONFIG_DEV TMPFS_MOUNT kernel configuration option makes the kernel mount it automatically at boot time



The screenshot shows a terminal window with the title ".config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration". The user has searched for "CONFIG_DEV TMPFS_MOUNT". The search results show the following information:

```

Symbol: DEV TMPFS_MOUNT [=n]
Type : bool
Prompt: Automount devtmpfs at /dev, after the kernel mounted the rootfs
Location:
  -> Device Drivers
    -> Generic Driver Options
(1)   -> Maintain a devtmpfs filesystem to mount at /dev (DEV TMPFS [=y])
Defined at drivers/base/Kconfig:47
Depends on: DEV TMPFS [=y]
```



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Pseudo Filesystems

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File System Contents (proc)

Mount point for the proc virtual filesystem

- ▶ Contains information about **system process**.
- ▶ This is a **pseudo file system** contains information about running process.
 - ▶ It allows
 - ▶ The kernel to expose statistics about running processes in the system
 - ▶ The user to adjust at runtime various system parameters about process
- ▶ management, memory management, etc.
 - ▶ One directory for each running process in the system
 - ▶ `/proc/<pid>` example: `cat /proc/3840/cmdline`
 - ▶ It contains details about the files opened by the process, the CPU and memory usage, etc.
 - ▶ `/proc/interrupts`, `/proc/devices`, `/proc/iomem`, `/proc/ioports` contain general device-related information. (review the first three parts ☺)
 - ▶ `/proc/cmdline` contains the kernel command line
 - ▶ `/proc/sys` contains many files that can be written to adjust kernel parameters
 - ▶ They are called `sysctl`. See `Documentation/sysctl/` in kernel sources. Example: `echo 3 > /proc/sys/vm/drop_caches`



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File System Contents (proc)

Mount point for the proc virtual filesystem (Examples)

- ▶ init Process /proc
- ▶ init Process Memory Segments from /proc

```
# cat /proc/1/maps
00008000-0000f000 r-xp 00000000 00:0a 9537567      /sbin/init
00016000-00017000 rw-p 00006000 00:0a 9537567      /sbin/init
00017000-0001b000 rwxp 00017000 00:00 0
40000000-40017000 r-xp 00000000 00:0a 9537183      /lib/ld-2.3.2.so
40017000-40018000 rw-p 40017000 00:00 0
4001f000-40020000 rw-p 00017000 00:0a 9537183      /lib/ld-2.3.2.so
40020000-40141000 r-xp 00000000 00:0a 9537518      /lib/libc-2.3.2.so
40141000-40148000 ---p 00121000 00:0a 9537518      /lib/libc-2.3.2.so
40148000-4014d000 rw-p 00120000 00:0a 9537518      /lib/libc-2.3.2.so
4014d000-4014f000 rw-p 4014d000 00:00 0
befeb000-bf000000 rwxp befef000 00:00 0
#
```

```
# ls -l /proc/1
total 0
-r----- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 auxv
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:21 cmdline
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 cwd -> /
-r----- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 environ
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 exe -> /sbin/init
dr-x---- 2 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 fd
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 maps
-rw----- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 mem
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 mounts
-rw-r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 oom_adj
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 oom_score
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 root -> /
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:21 stat
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 statm
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:21 status
dr-xr-xr-x 3 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 task
-r--r--- 1 root root 0 Jan 1 00:25 wchan
```

File System Contents (sys)

Mount point of the sysfs virtual filesystem

- ▶ Mount point of the sysfs virtual file system
- ▶ This is a **pseudo file system**
- ▶ It allows to **represent in user space** the **vision that the kernel has of the buses, devices and drivers in the system**
- ▶ It is useful for various user space applications that need to list and query the available hardware, for example **udev** or **mdev**.
- ▶ ls /sys/
 - ▶ block bus class dev devices firmware fs kernel module power

```
# dir /sys
total 0
drwxr-xr-x 21 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 block
drwxr-xr-x 6 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 bus
drwxr-xr-x 10 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 class
drwxr-xr-x 5 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 devices
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 firmware
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 kernel
drwxr-xr-x 5 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 module
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 0 Jan 1 00:00 power
#
[root@vexpress ~]# ls -l /sys/firmware/devicetree/base/
total 0
-r--r--r-- 1 0 0 4 Feb 22 01:52 #address-cells
-r--r--r-- 1 0 0 4 Feb 22 01:52 #size-cells
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 aliases
-r--r--r-- 1 0 0 4 Feb 22 01:52 arm,hbi
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 4 Feb 22 01:52 arm,vexpress,site
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 cache-controller@le00u000
drwxr-xr-x 3 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 chosen
drwxr-xr-x 3 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 clcd@10020000
-r--r--r-- 1 0 0 34 Feb 22 01:52 compatible
drwxr-xr-x 6 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 cpus
drwxr-xr-x 15 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 dcc
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 hsb@e0000000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 interrupt-controller@le01a00
-r--r--r-- 1 0 0 4 Feb 22 01:52 interrupt-parent
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 memory-controller@100e0000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 memory-controller@100e1000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 memory@e00000000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 model
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 1 Feb 22 01:52 name
drwxr-xr-x 3 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 ppu
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 reserved-memory
drwxr-xr-x 3 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 scu@e0000000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:48 smbd@40000000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 timer@100e4000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 timer@le000000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 watchdog@100e5000
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 0 0 Feb 22 01:52 watchdog@le000020
[root@vexpress ~]#
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Systool utility

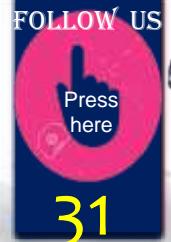
- ▶ Many utilities use this information to determine the characteristics of system devices
- ▶ You can see from this listing the variety of system information available from `sysfs`

```
$ systool
Supported sysfs buses:
    i2c
    ide
    pci
    platform
Supported sysfs classes:
    block
    i2c-adapter
    i2c-dev
    input
    mem
    misc
    net
    pci_bus
    tty
Supported sysfs devices:
    pci0000:00
    platform
    system
```

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How to create a minimal root filesystem ?

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How to create a minimal root filesystem ?

► you need these components:

- **init**: This is the program that starts everything off, usually by running a series of scripts.
- **Shell**: You need a shell to give you a command prompt, also to run the shell scripts called by init and other programs.
- **Daemons**: A daemon is a background program that provides a service to others. Good examples are the **system log daemon (syslogd)** and the **secure shell daemon (sshd)**. The init program must start the initial population of daemons to support the main system applications. In fact, init is itself a daemon: it is the daemon that provides the service of launching other daemons.

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How to create a minimal root filesystem ?Cont.

- ▶ **Shared libraries:** Most programs are linked with shared libraries, and so they must be present in the root filesystem.
- ▶ **Configuration files:** The configuration for init and other daemons is stored in a series of text files, usually in the /etc directory.
- ▶ **Device nodes:** These are the special files that give access to various device drivers.
- ▶ **/proc and /sys:** These two pseudo filesystems represent kernel data structures as a hierarchy of directories and files.
- ▶ **Kernel modules:** If you have configured some parts of your kernel to be modules, they need to be installed in the root filesystem, usually in /lib/modules/[kernel version].

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The init program

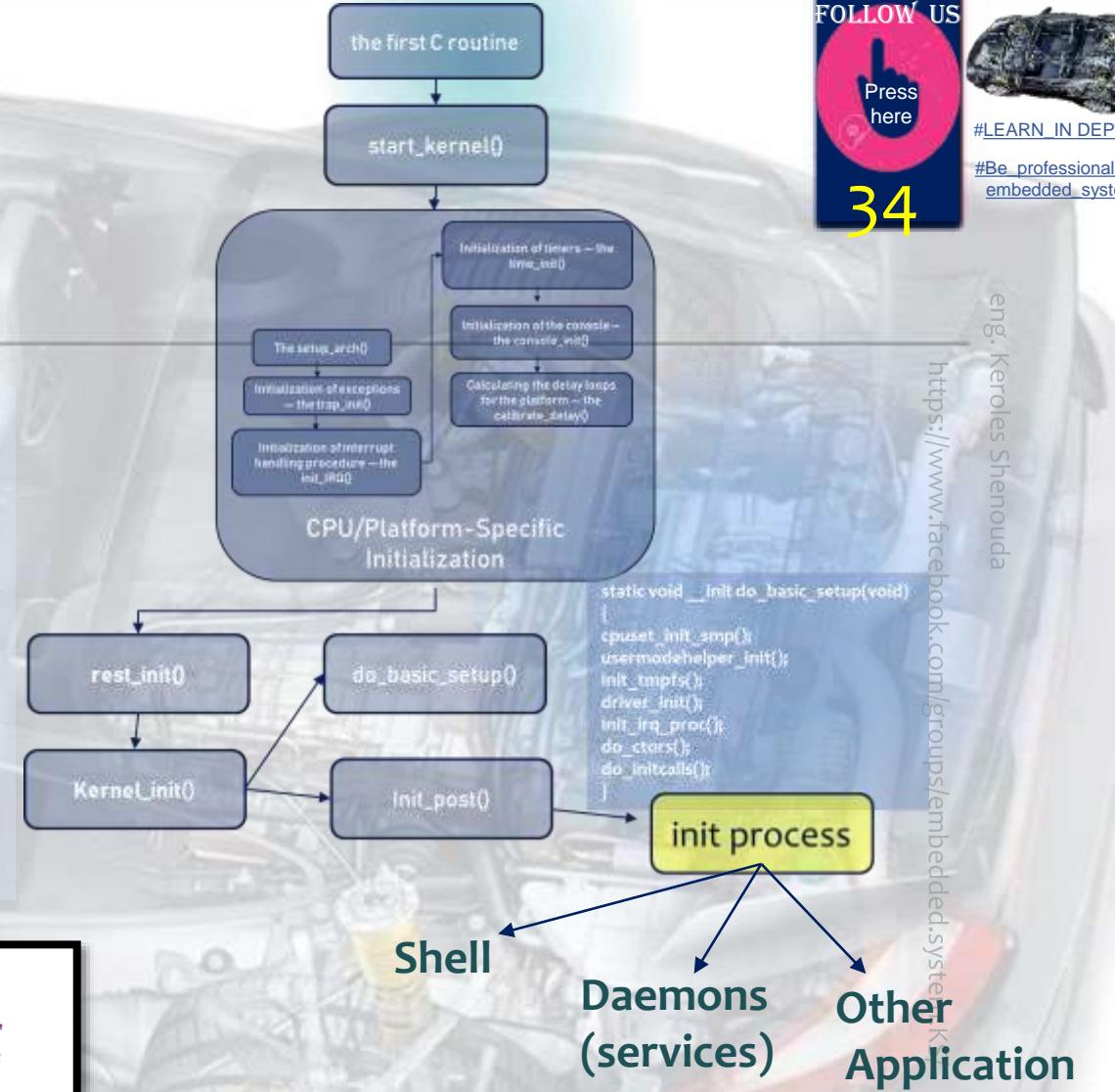
- init application is **the first user space application started by the kernel** after mounting the root filesystem
- The kernel tries to run **/sbin/init**, **/bin/init**, **/etc/init** and **/bin/sh**.
- The init path can be supplied by the **init=** kernel argument.
 - If none of them are found, **the kernel panics and the boot process is stopped**.
- The **init** application is responsible for starting all **other user space applications** and **services**

The final snippet of code from **.../init/main.c**

```
...
if (execute_command) {
    run_init_process(execute_command);
    printk(KERN_WARNING "Failed to execute %s. Attempting "
           "defaults...\n", execute_command);
}

run_init_process("/sbin/init");
run_init_process("/etc/init");
run_init_process("/bin/init");
run_init_process("/bin/sh");

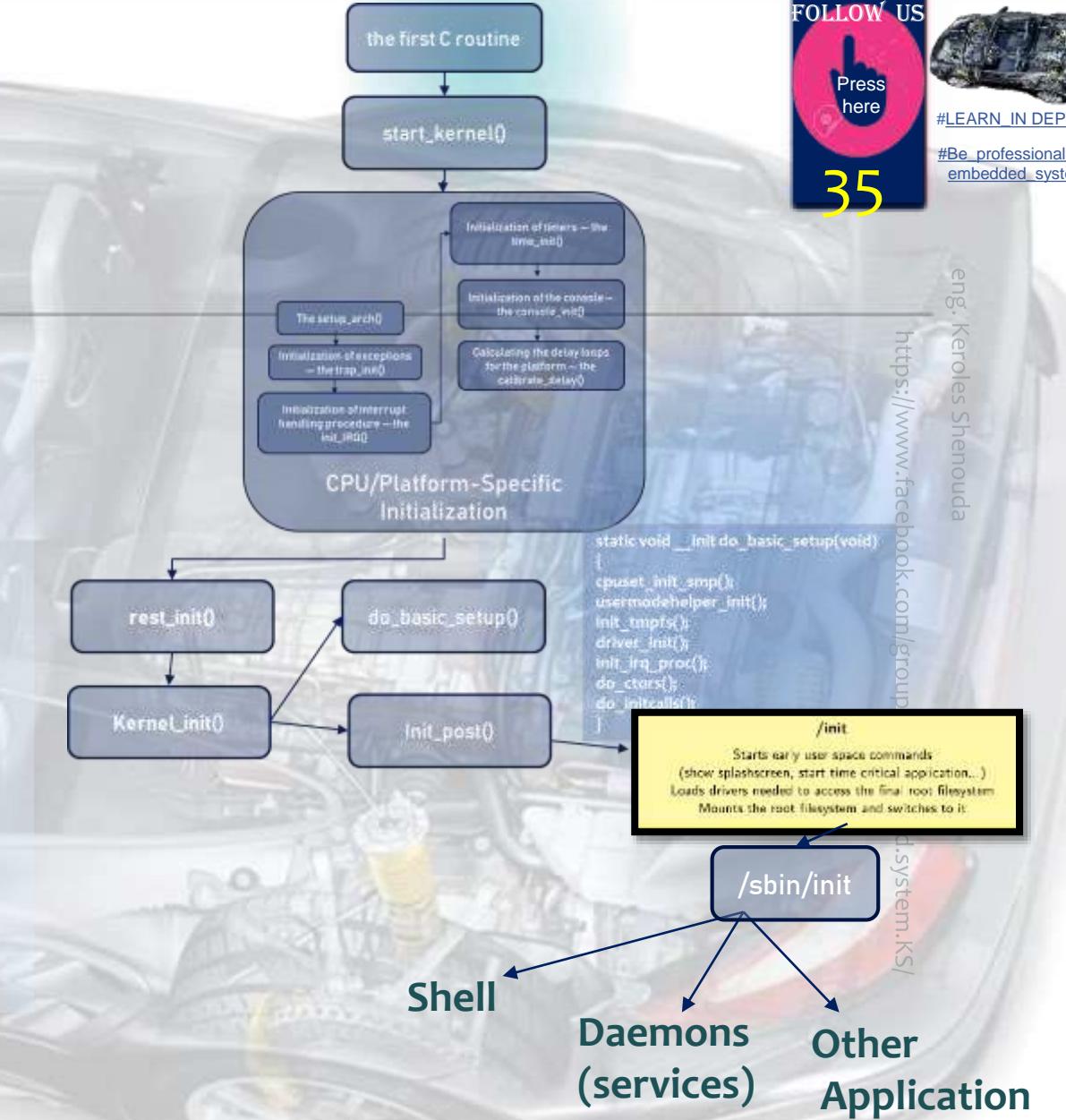
panic("No init found. Try passing init= option to kernel.");
}
```



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In case we initramfs

- ▶ In the case of an initramfs, it will only look for /init
 - ▶ The init path can be supplied by the **rdinit=** kernel argument
- ▶ Then will invoke the regular system startup (/sbin/init)



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The Init Process

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The init Program

- ▶ There are many possible implementations of init
 - ▶ BusyBox init
 - ▶ System V init
 - ▶ Systemd init
- ▶ **init** manages the lifecycle of the system from boot up to shutdown
- ▶ The most used in embedded linux is BusyBox init

Metric	BusyBox init	System V init	systemd
Complexity	Low	Medium	High
Boot-up speed	Fast	Slow	Medium
Required shell	ash	ash or bash	None

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BusyBox init

- ▶ init begins by reading /etc/inittab. This contains a list of programs to run, one per line, with this format:
- ▶ <id>::<action>:<program>
 - ▶ **id**: This is the controlling Terminal for the command
 - ▶ **action**: This is the conditions to run this command
 - ▶ **program**: This is the program to run
- ▶ The actions are as follows:
 - ▶ **sysinit**: Runs the program when init starts before any of the other types of Actions.
 - ▶ **respawn**: Runs the program and restarts it if it terminates. It is typically used to run a program as a daemon.

```
null::sysinit:/bin/mount -t proc proc /proc
null::sysinit:/bin/mount -t sysfs sysfs /sys
console::askfirst:-/bin/sh
```

- ▶ **askfirst**: This is the same as **respawn**, but it prints the message *Please press Enter to activate this console to the console*, and it runs the program after **Enter** has been pressed. It is used to start an interactive shell on a Terminal without prompting for a username or password.
- ▶ **once**: Runs the program once but does not attempt to restart it if it terminates.
- ▶ **wait**: Runs the program and waits for it to complete.
- ▶ **restart**: Runs the program when init receives the signal SIGHUP, indicating that it should reload the inittab file.
- ▶ **ctrlaltdel**: Runs the program when init receives the signal, SIGINT, usually as a result of pressing **Ctrl + Alt + Del** on the console.
- ▶ **shutdown**: Runs the program when init shuts down.

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The init program

- ▶ The **init** program begins by reading the configuration file, **/etc/inittab**
 - ▶ simple example


```
::sysinit:/etc/init.d/rcS
::askfirst:-/bin/sh
```

 - ▶ The first line runs a shell script **rcS**, when init is started.
 - ▶ The second line **prints the message** Please press Enter to activate this console to the console and starts a shell when you press Enter.
 - ▶ The script called **/etc/init.d/rcS** is the place to put initialization commands that need to be performed at boot, for example, mounting the **proc** and **sysfs** filesystems
 - ▶ Make sure that you make rcS executable like this:
 - ▶ \$ cd ~/rootfs
 - ▶ \$ chmod +x etc/init.d/rcS

```
#!/bin/sh
mount -t proc proc /proc
mount -t sysfs sysfs /sys
mount -t devtmpfs devtmpfs /dev
```

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Mdev in /etc/init.d/rcS

- ▶ allow you to modify the permissions of device nodes as they are created.
- ▶ you begin by running **mdev** with the **-s** option, which causes it to scan the **/sys** directory looking for information about current devices.
- ▶ If you want to **keep track of new devices coming online and create nodes for them as well**, you need to make **mdev** a hot plug client by writing to **/proc/sys/kernel/hotplug**.
- ▶ These additions to **/etc/init.d/rcS** will achieve all of this:

```
#!/bin/sh
mount -t proc proc /proc
mount -t sysfs sysfs /sys
mount -t devtmpfs devtmpfs /dev
echo /sbin/mdev > /proc/sys/kernel/hotplug
mdev -s
```

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```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2/etc
# /etc/inittab
::sysinit:/etc/init.d/rcS
console::askfirst:-/bin/sh
::ctrlaltdel:/sbin/reboot
::shutdown:/bin/umount -a -r
::restart:/sbin/init
```

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Why Busybox?

- ▶ A Linux system needs a basic set of programs to work
 - ▶ An init program
 - ▶ A shell
 - ▶ Various basic utilities for file manipulation and system configuration
- ▶ In normal Linux systems, these programs are provided by different projects
 - ▶ coreutils, bash, grep, sed, tar, wget, modutils, etc. are all different projects
 - ▶ A lot of different components to integrate
- ▶ Busybox is an alternative solution, extremely common on embedded systems
- ▶ For a fairly featureful configuration, less than 500 KB (statically compiled with uClibc) or less than 1 MB (statically compiled with glibc).
- ▶ <http://www.busybox.net/>

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BusyBox commands

```
[, [[, acpid, addgroup, adduser, adjtimex, ar, arp, arping, ash,
awk, basename, beep, blkid, brctl, bunzip2, bzcat, bzip2, cal, cat,
catv, chat, chattr, chgrp, chmod, chown, chpasswd, chpst, chroot,
chrt, chvt, cksum, clear, cmp, comm, cp, cpio, crond, crontab,
cryptpw, cut, date, dc, dd, deallocvt, delgroup, deluser, depmod,
devmem, df, dhcprelay, diff, dirname, dmesg, dnsd, dnsdomainname,
dos2unix, dpkg, du, dumpkmap, dumpleases, echo, ed, egrep, eject,
env, envdir, envuidgid, expand, expr, fakeidentd, false, fbset,
fbplash, fdflush, fdformat, fdisk, fgrep, find, findfs, flash_lock,
flash_unlock, fold, free, freeramdisk, fsck, fsck.minix, fsync,
ftpd, ftpput, fuser, getopt, getty, grep, gunzip, gzip, hd,
hdparm, head, hexdump, hostid, hostname, httpd, hush, hwclock, id,
ifconfig, ifdown, ifenslave, ifplugged, ifup, inetd, init, inotifyd,
insmod, install, ionice, ip, ipaddr, ipcalc, ipcrm, ipcs, iplink,
iproute, iprule, iptunnel, kbd_mode, kill, killall, killall5, klogd,
last, length, less, linux32, linux64, linuxrc, ln, loadfont,
loadkmap, logger, login, logname, logread, losetup, lpd, lpq, lpr,
ls, lsattr, lsmod, lzmacat, lzop, lzopcat, makemime, man, md5sum,
mdev, mesg, microcom, mkdir, mkdosfs, mkfifo, mkfs.minix, mkfs.vfat,
mknode, mkpasswd, mkswap, mktcp, modprobe, more, mount, mountpoint,
mt, mv, nameif, nc, netstat, nice, nmeter, nohup, nslookup, od,
openvt, passwd, patch, pgrep, pidof, ping, ping6, pipe_progress,
pivot_root, pkill, popmaildir, printenv, printf, ps, pscan, pwd,
raidautorun, rdate, rdev, readlink, readprofile, realpath,
reformime, renice, reset, resize, rm, rmdir, rmmod, route, rpm,
rpm2cpio, rtcwake, run-parts, runlevel, runsv, runsvdir, rx, script,
scriptreplay, sed, sendmail, seq, setarch, setconsole, setfont,
setkeycodes, setlogcons, setsid, setuidgid, sh, shalsum, sha256sum,
sha512sum, showkey, slattach, sleep, softlimit, sort, split,
start-stop-daemon, stat, strings, stty, su, slogin, sum, sv,
svlogd, swapoff, swapon, switch_root, sync, sysctl, syslogd, tac,
tail, tar, taskset, tcpsvd, tee, telnet, telnetd, test, tftp, tftpd,
time, timeout, top, touch, tr, traceroute, true, tty, ttysize,
udhcpc, udhcpd, udpsvd, umount, uname, uncompress, unexpand, uniq,
unix2dos, unlzma, unlzop, unzip, uptime, usleep, uudecode, uuencode,
vconfig, vi, vlock, volname, watch, watchdog, wc, wget, which, who,
whoami, xargs, yes, zcat, zcip]
```

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File System Types

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File System Types

- ▶ RAM File Systems
 - ▶ initrd
 - ▶ initramfs
- ▶ Disk File Systems
 - ▶ ext2
 - ▶ ext3
 - ▶ ext4
- ▶ Flash File Systems
 - ▶ Intro to MTD
 - ▶ JFFS2
- ▶ Distributed File Systems
 - ▶ NFS
- ▶ Special Purpose File Systems
 - ▶ Squashfs
 - ▶ Mostly used in live CDs and live USB distros

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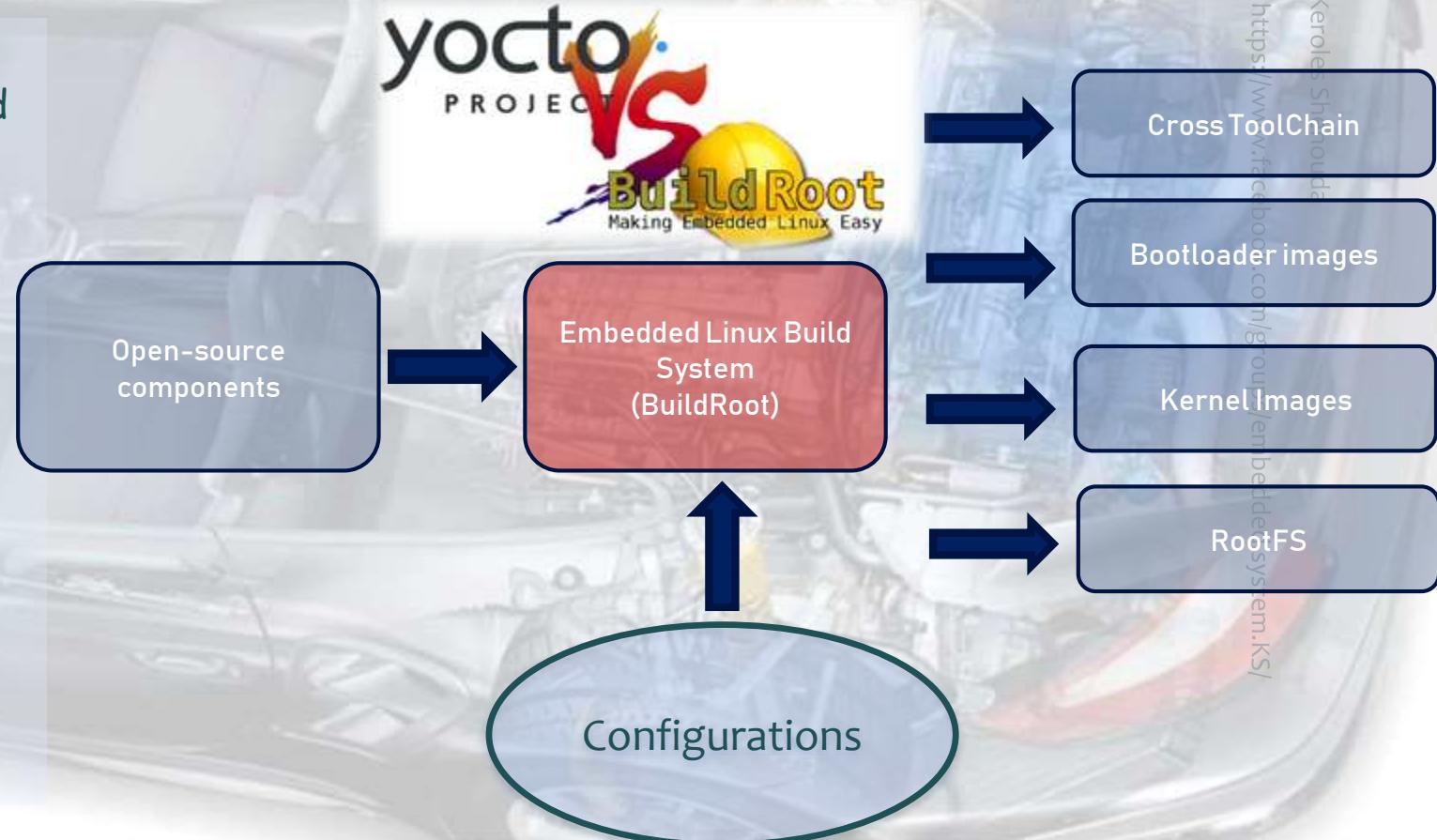
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Build Root

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Embedded Linux build system: principle

- ▶ Building from source ! lot of flexibility
- ▶ Cross-compilation ! leveraging fast build machines
- ▶ Recipes for building components ! Easy
- ▶ two solutions are emerging as the most popular ones
- ▶ **Yocto/OpenEmbedded**
 - ▶ Builds a complete Linux distribution. Powerful, but somewhat complex, and quite steep learning curve.
- ▶ **Buildroot**
- ▶ Builds a root filesystem image. Much simpler to use, understand and modify.



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Who's using Buildroot?

► System makers

- ▶ Tesla
- ▶ GoPro
- ▶ Barco
- ▶ Rockwell Collins

► Processor vendors

- ▶ Imagination Technologies
- ▶ Marvell
- ▶ Microchip (formerly Atmel)

► SoM and board vendors

- ▶ Many companies when doing R&D on products
- ▶ Many, many **hobbyists** on development boards: Raspberry Pi, BeagleBone Black, etc.



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Lab1: create your own rootfs by buildroot to be run on vexpress CortexA9

THIS LAB IS BASED ON LAB1 ON PART9

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```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7$ make raspberrypi2_defconfig
#
# configuration written to /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config
#
```

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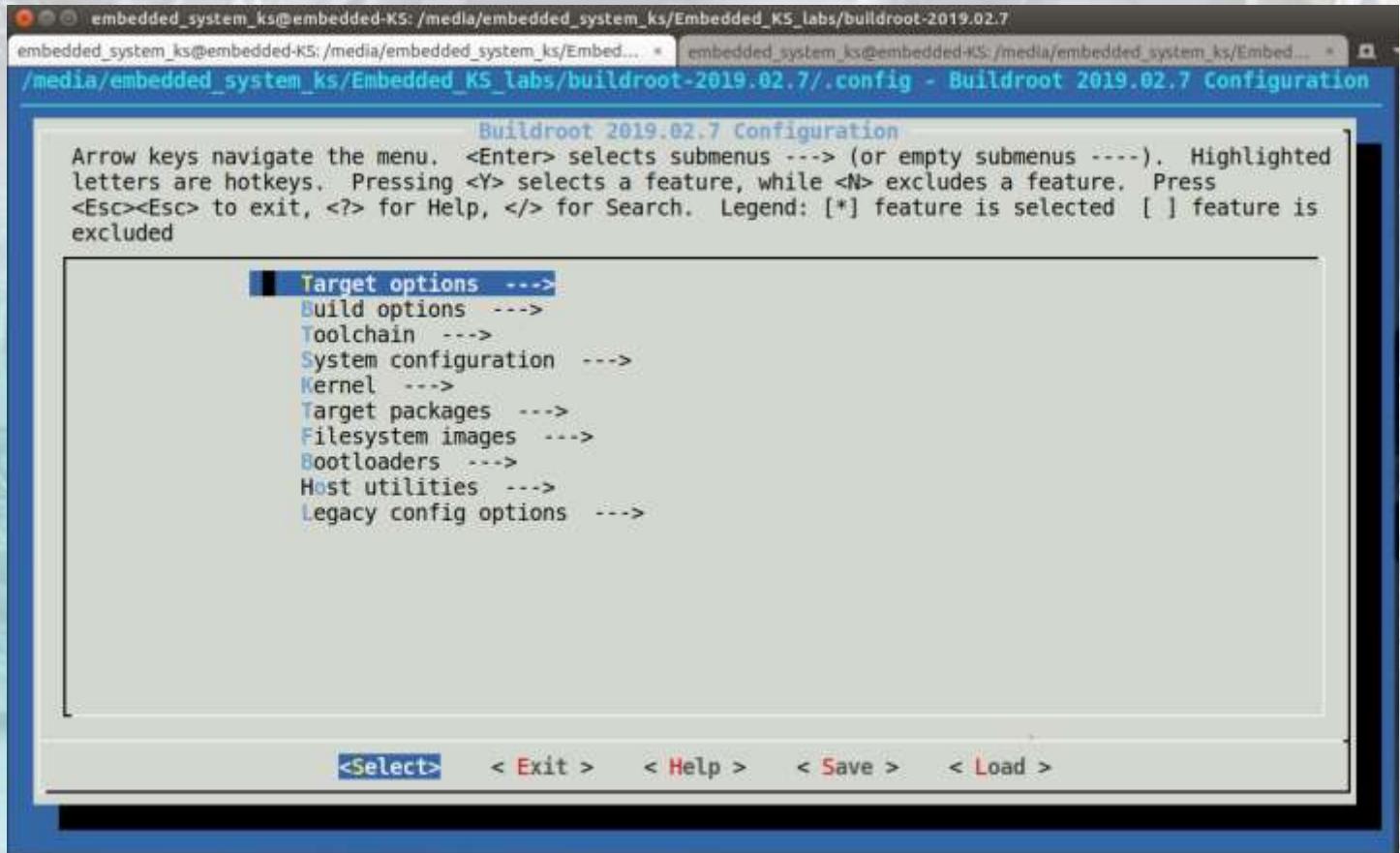


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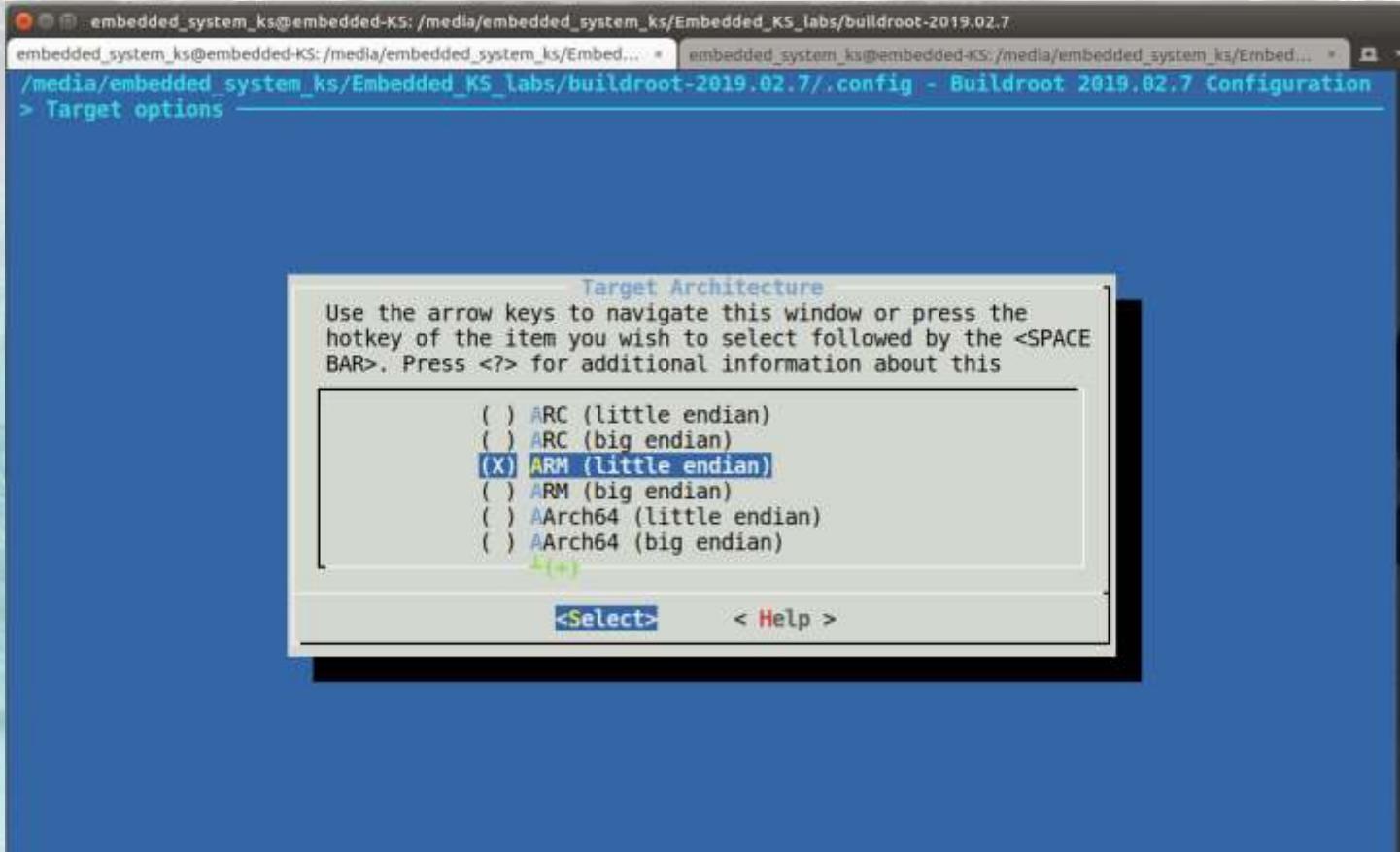
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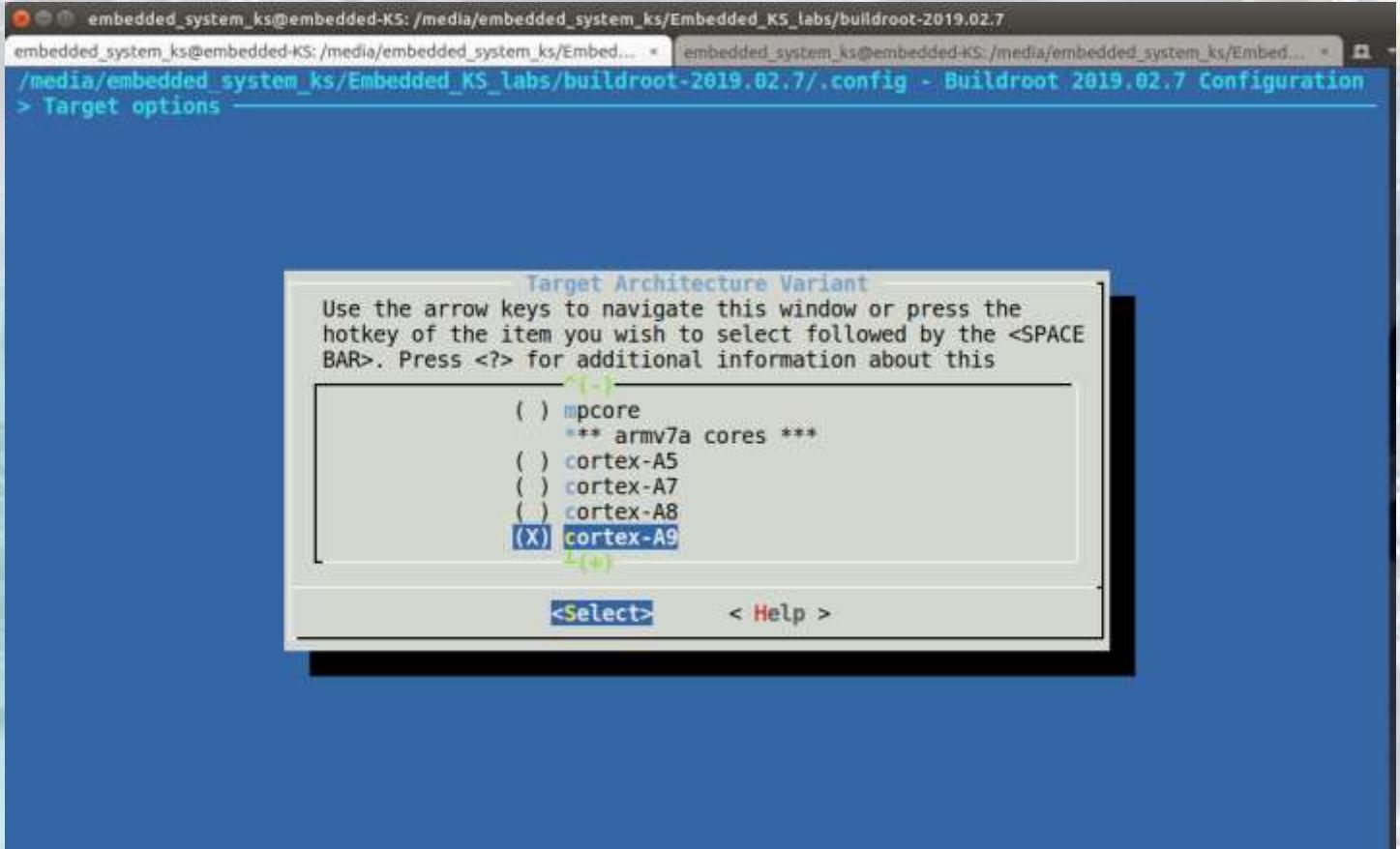
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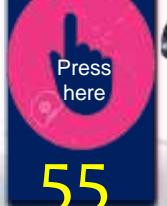


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Configuring Buildroot for vexpress CortexA9.

► Build options

► How Buildroot will built the code. Leave default values

```

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embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_Labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config - Buildroot 2019.02.7 Configuration
> Build options ->
      Build options
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[ ] $(BASE DIR)/host Host dir
  Mirrors and Download locations --->
  (0) Number of jobs to run simultaneously (0 for auto)
  [ ] Enable compiler cache
  [ ] build packages with debugging symbols
  [*] strip target binaries
    ( ) executables that should not be stripped
    ( ) directories that should be skipped when stripping
    gcc optimization level (optimize for size) --->
    libraries (shared only) --->
[*] $(CONFIG DIR)/local.mk location of a package override file
  ( ) global patch directories
  Advanced --->
    *** Security Hardening Options ***
    *** Stack Smashing Protection needs a toolchain w/ SSP ***
    RELRO Protection (None) --->
    *** Fortify Source needs a glibc toolchain and optimization ***
<Select>  < Exit >  < Help >  < Save >  < Load >

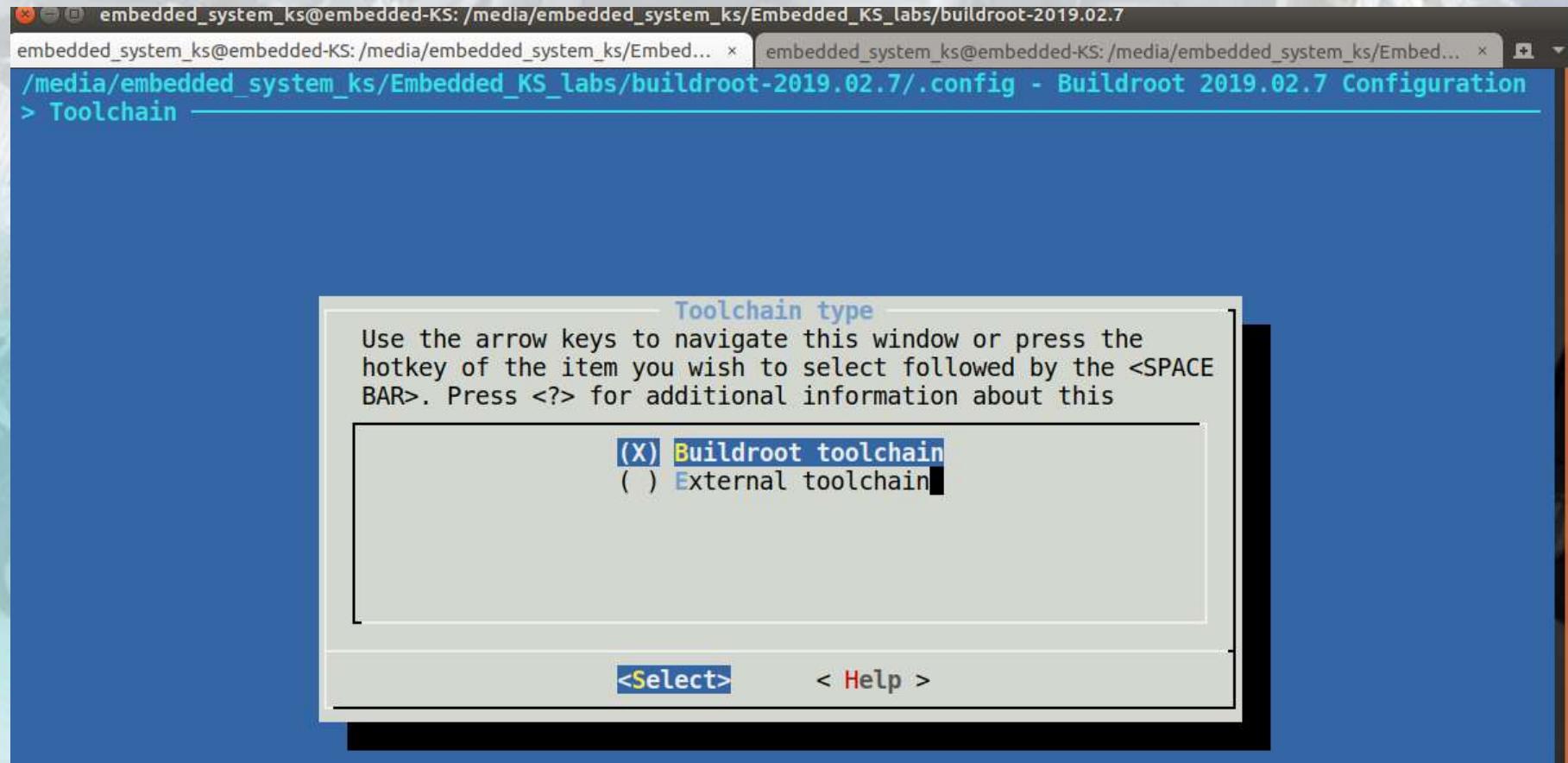
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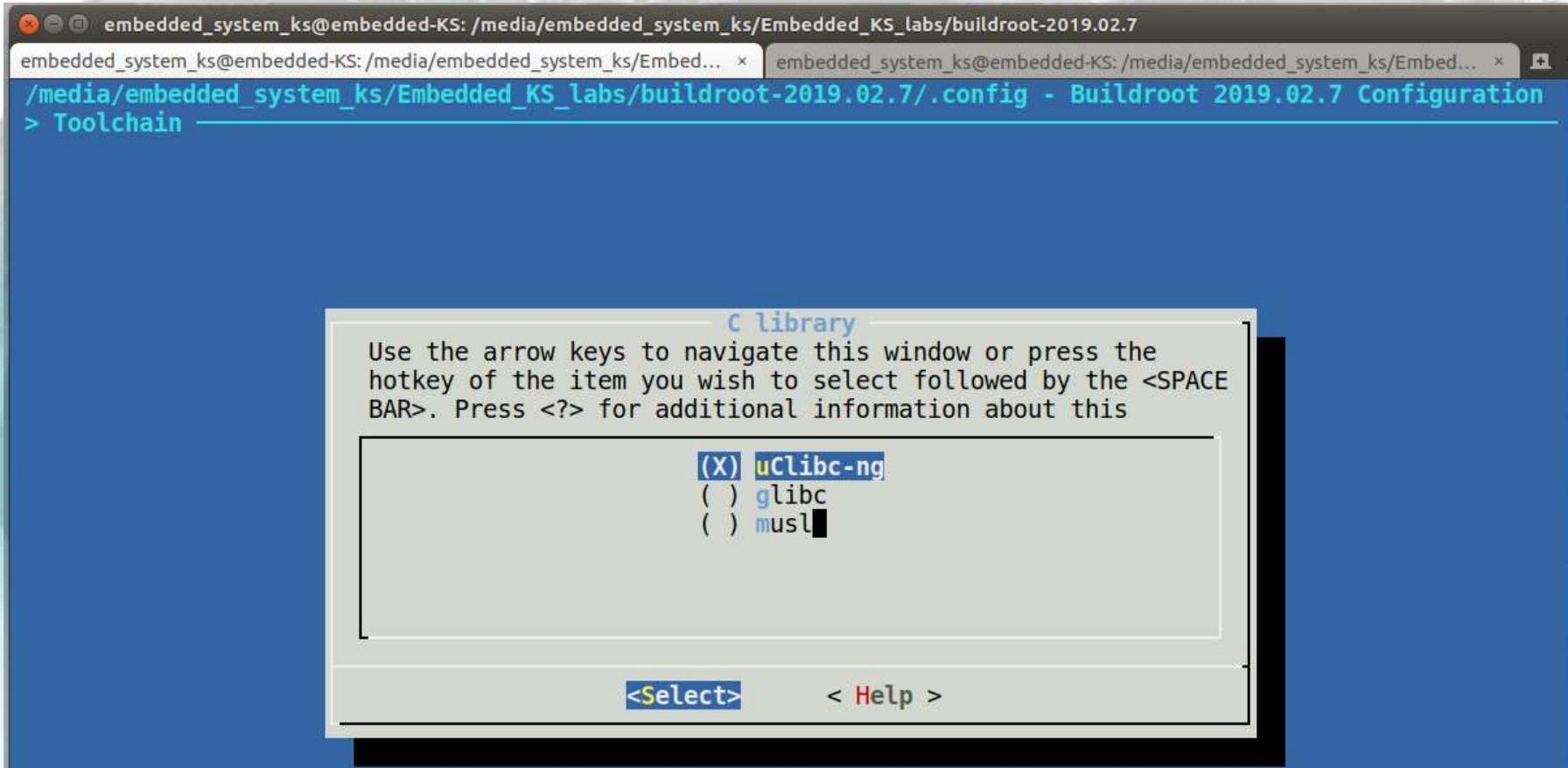
Toolchain

Embedded system will be compiled with tools integrated in Buildroot



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Library (small size version)
containing the typical C
libraries used in Linux
environments (stdlib, stdio,
etc)

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embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config - Buildroot 2019.02.7 Configuration
> Toolchain

Kernel Headers
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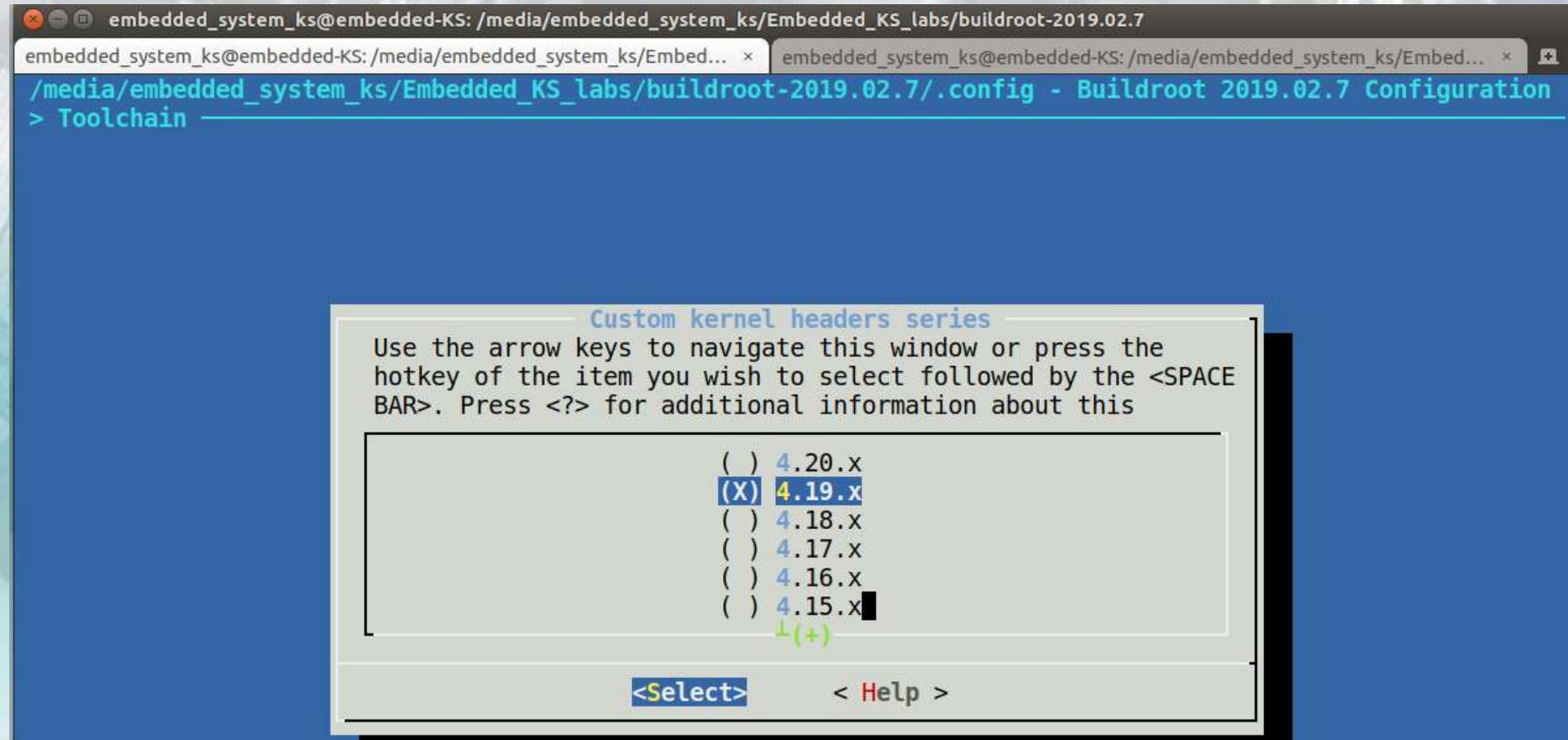
(X)	Same as kernel being built
()	Linux 4.4.x kernel headers
()	Linux 4.9.x kernel headers
()	Linux 4.14.x kernel headers
()	Linux 4.19.x kernel headers
()	Linux 4.20.x kernel headers

<Select> < Help >

Source header files of the Linux Kernel.

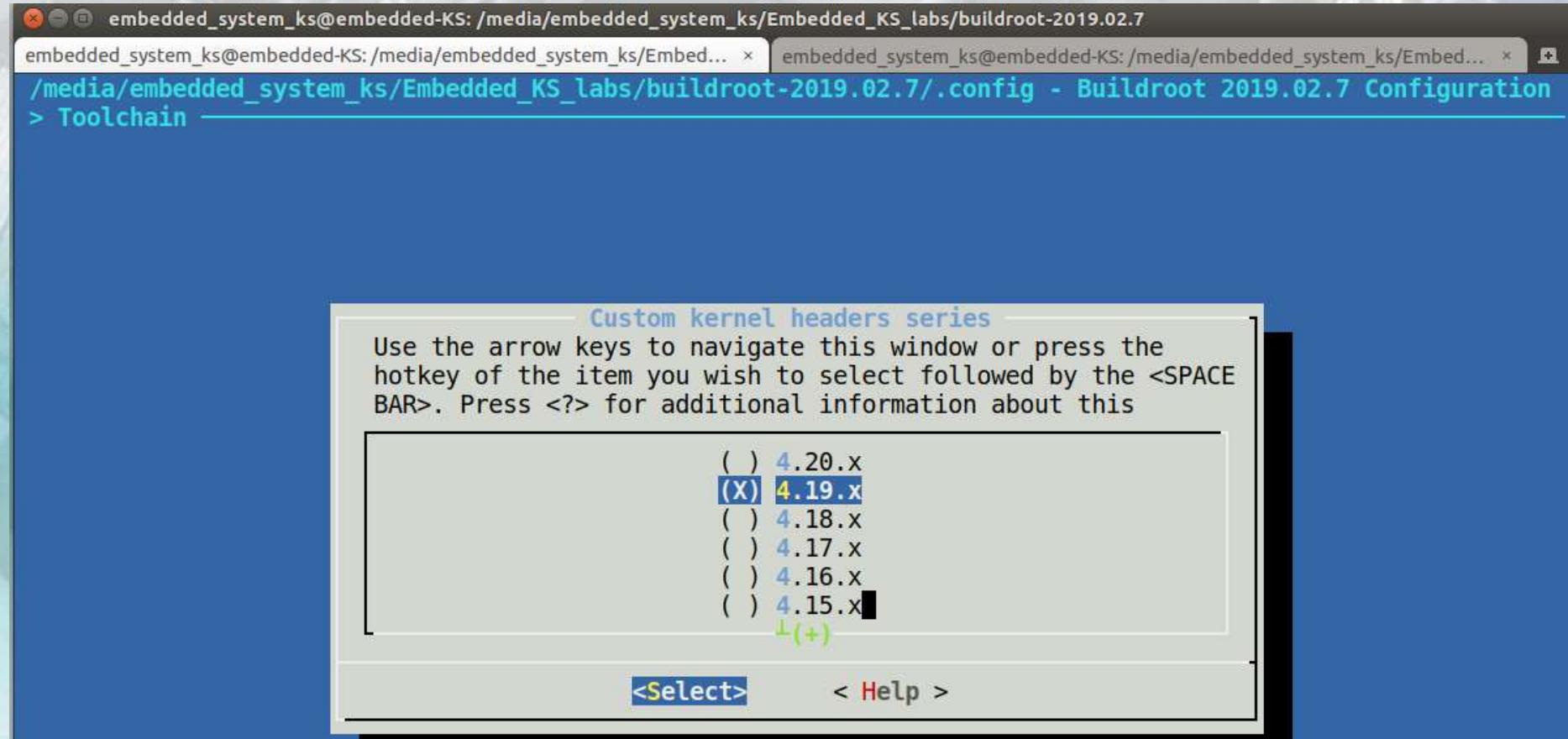
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```
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embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config - Buildroot 2019.02.7 Configuration
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Binutils Version
Use the arrow keys to navigate this window or press the
hotkey of the item you wish to select followed by the <SPACE
BAR>. Press <?> for additional information about this

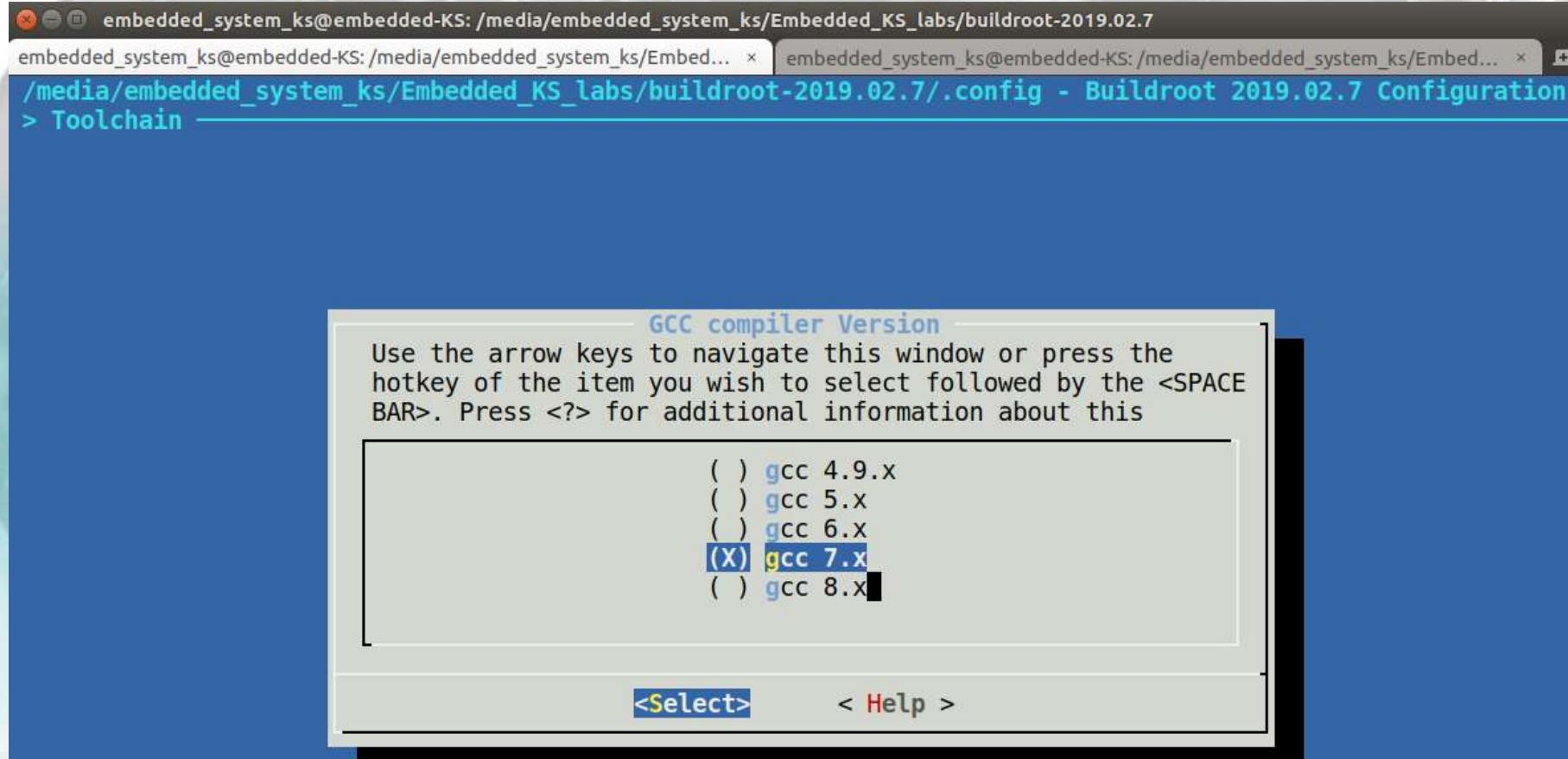
( ) binutils 2.28.1
(X) binutils 2.29.1
( ) binutils 2.30
( ) binutils 2.31.1

<Select> < Help >
```

Binutils contains tools to manage the binary files obtained in the compilation of the different applications

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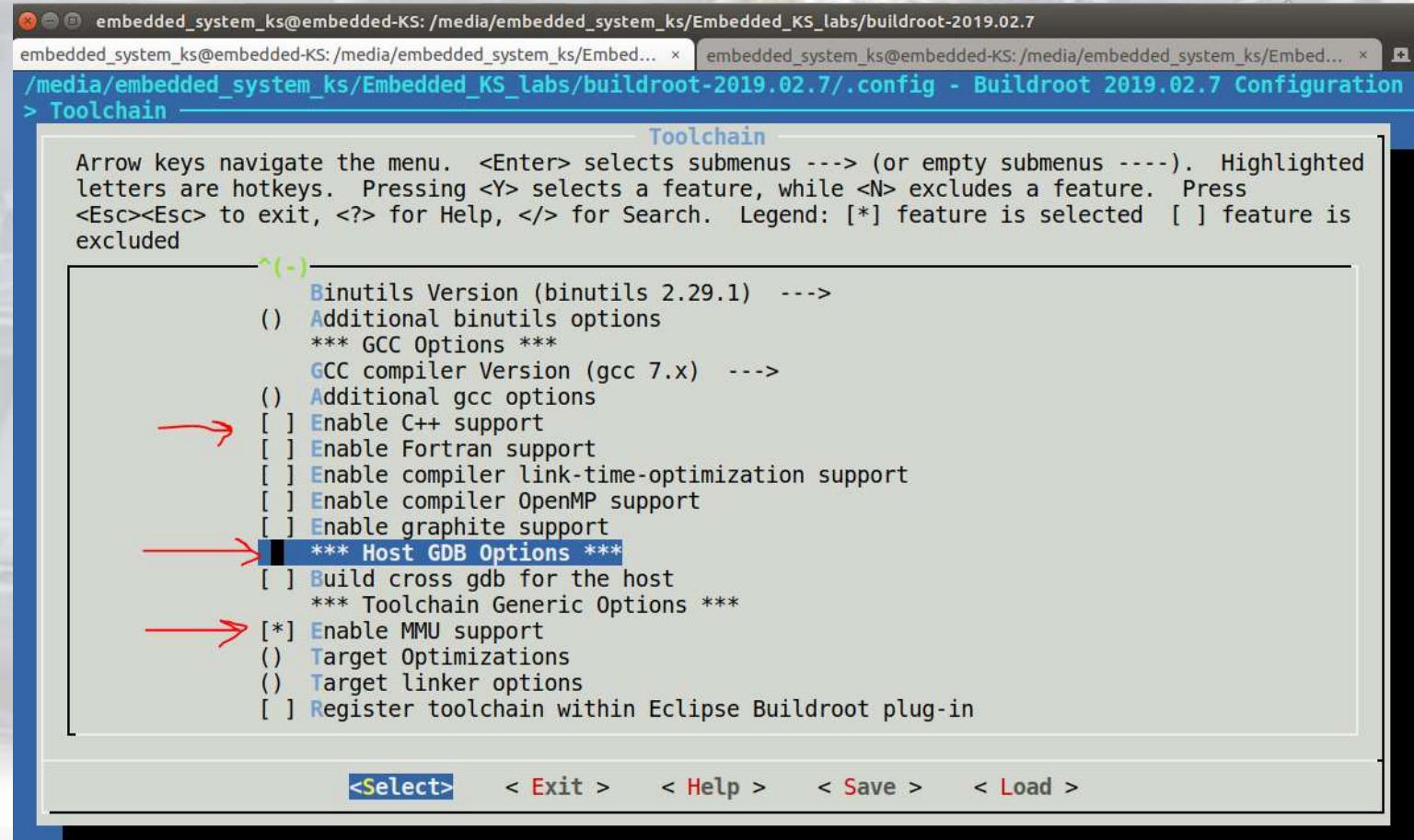
GCC tools version to be installed

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- ▶ Build cross gdb for the host
 - ▶ Includes the support for GDB. GCC debugger.
- ▶ Enable C++ support
 - ▶ Including support for C++ programming, compiling, and linking.
- ▶ Enable MMU support
 - ▶ Yes
 - ▶ Mandatory if building a Linux system

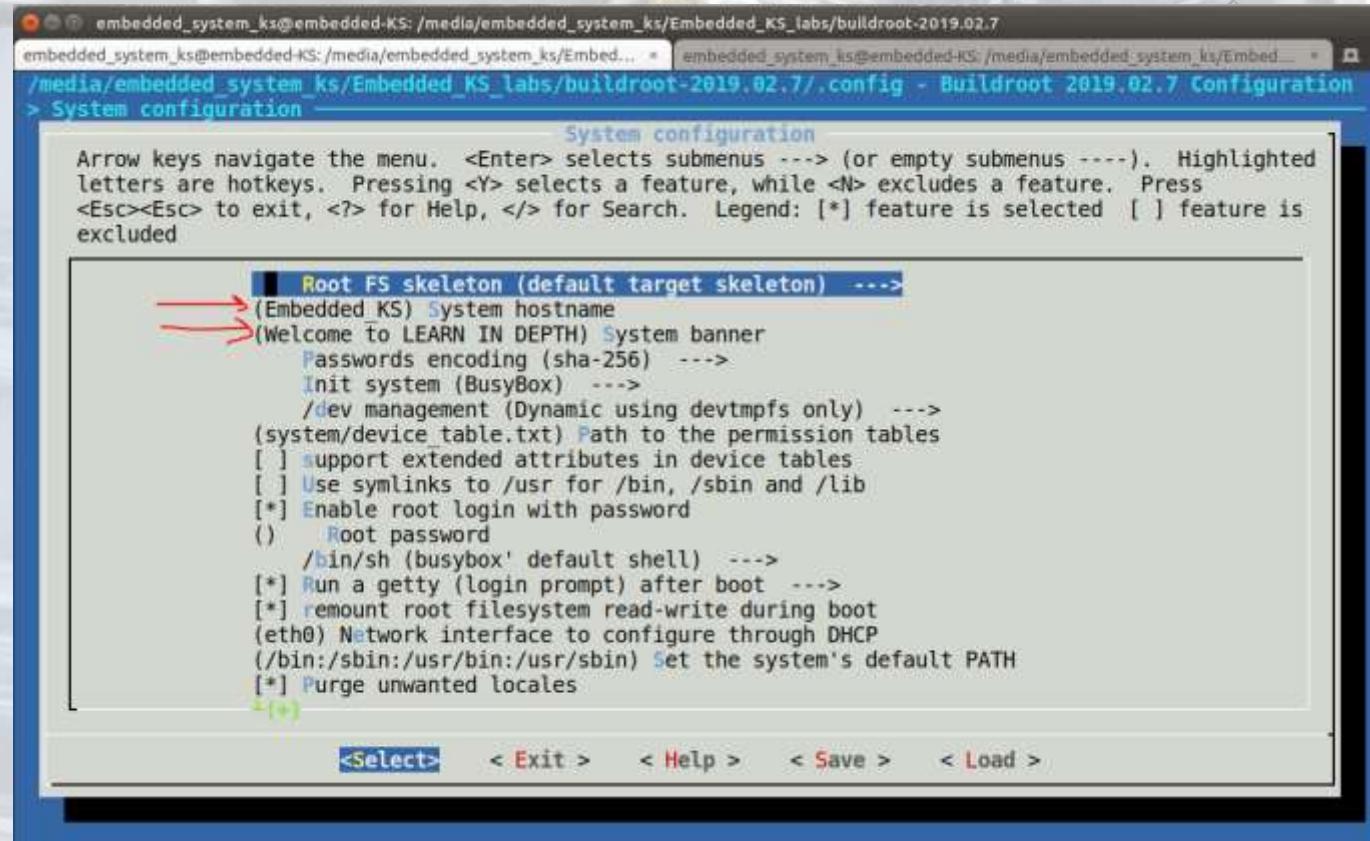


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System Configuration

- ▶ System Hostname
 - ▶ Name of the embedded system
- ▶ System Banner
 - ▶ Banner



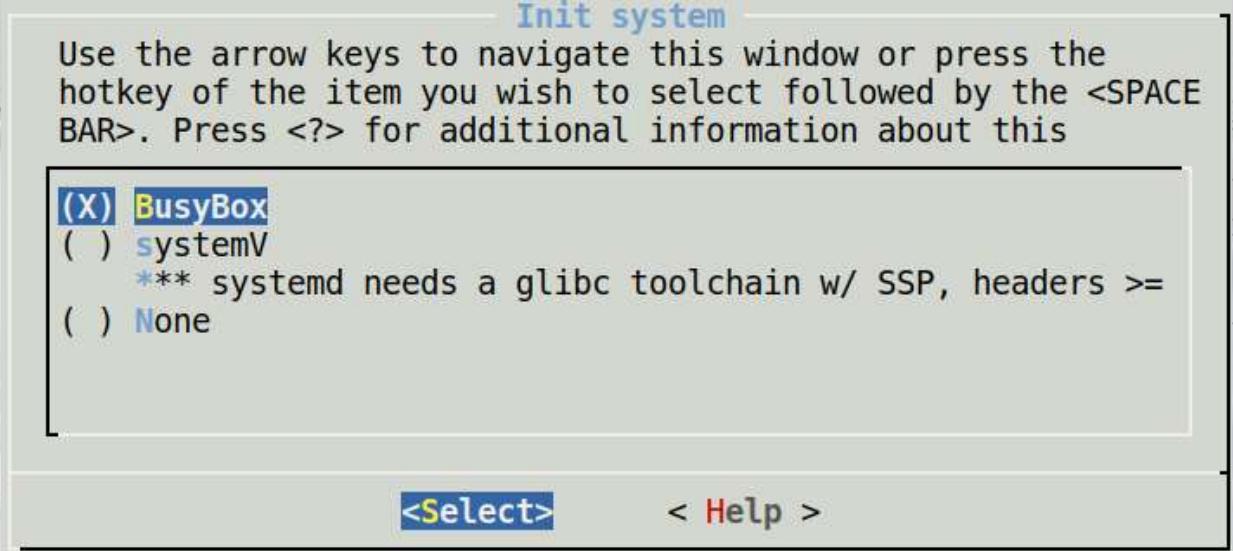
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- ▶ Init System
 - ▶ Busybox
- ▶ /dev management
 - ▶ Dynamic using devtmpfs only



```
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embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config - Buildroot 2019.02.7 Configuration
> System configuration
System configuration
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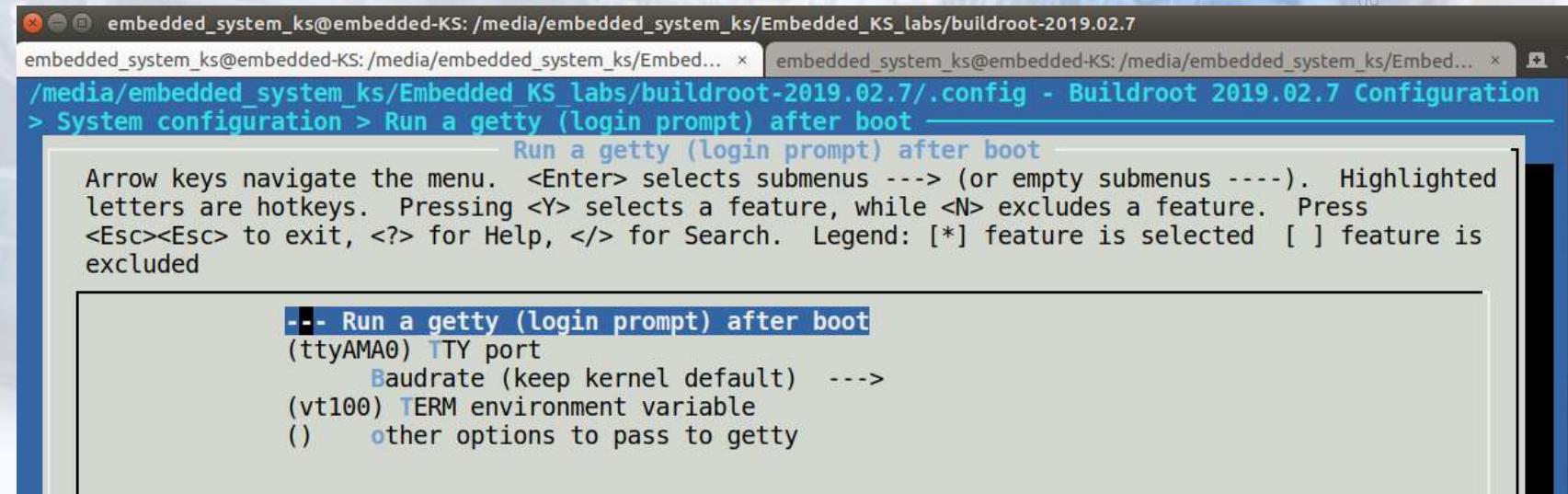
Root FS skeleton (default target skeleton) --->
(Embedded KS) System hostname
(Welcome to LEARN IN DEPTH) System banner
Passwords encoding (sha-256) --->
Init system (BusyBox) --->
/dev management (Dynamic using devtmpfs only) --->
```

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System Configuration

- ▶ Run a getty: Port to run a getty
- ▶ **/dev/ttyAMA0 console**
 - ▶ Linux device file with the port to run getty (login) process. Uses ttyAMA0 for serial port
- ▶ Baud rate to use
 - ▶ 115200



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System Configuration

```
[*] Run a getty (login prompt) after boot    --->
[*] remount root filesystem read-write during boot
(eth0) Network interface to configure through DHCP
(/bin:/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/sbin) Set the system's default PATH
```

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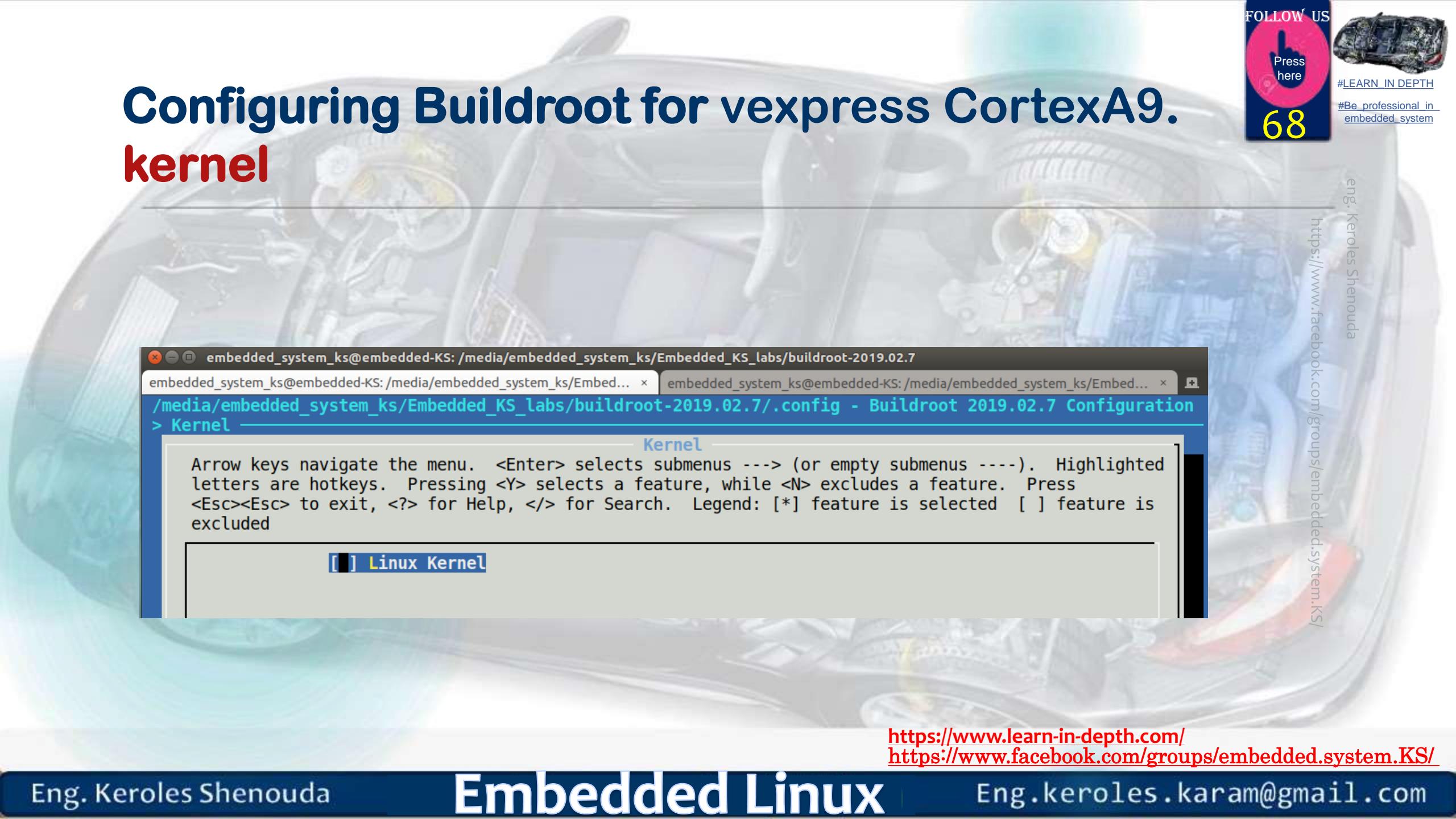
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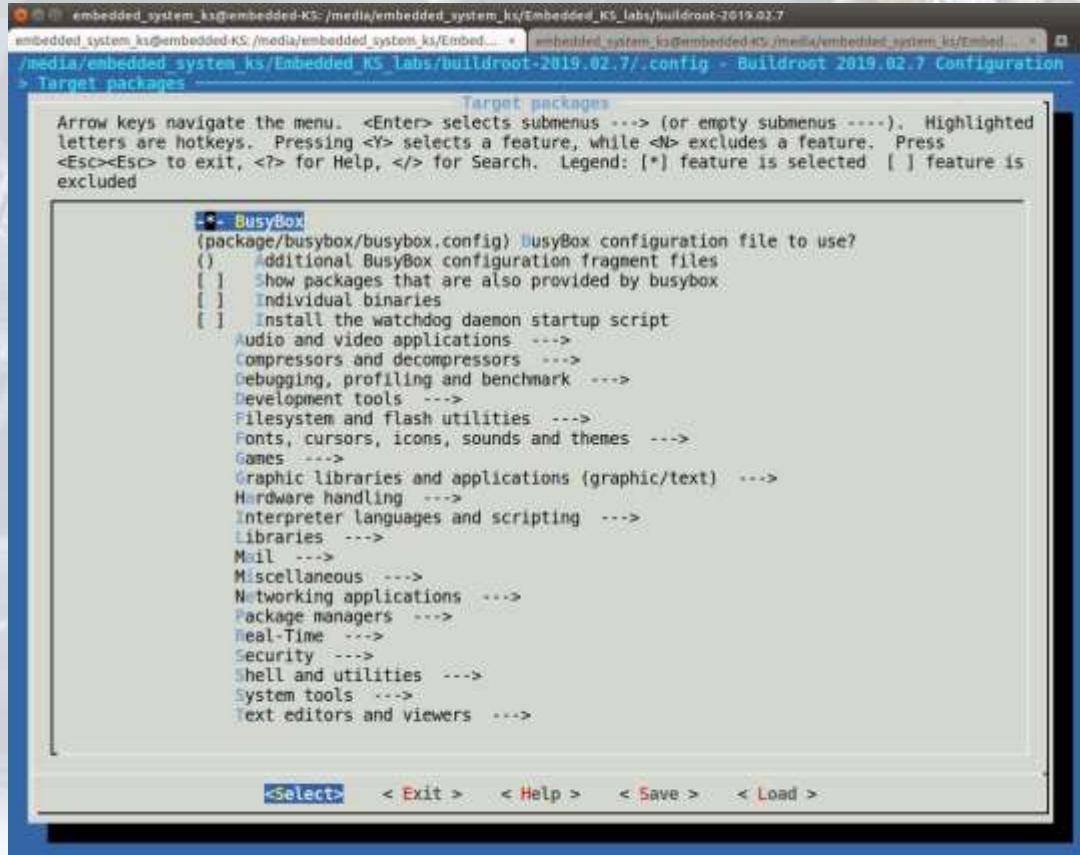
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/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config - Buildroot 2019.02.7 Configuration
> Kernel
Kernel
Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or empty submenus ----). Highlighted
letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> selects a feature, while <N> excludes a feature. Press
<Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, </> for Search. Legend: [*] feature is selected [ ] feature is
excluded
[ ] Linux Kernel
```

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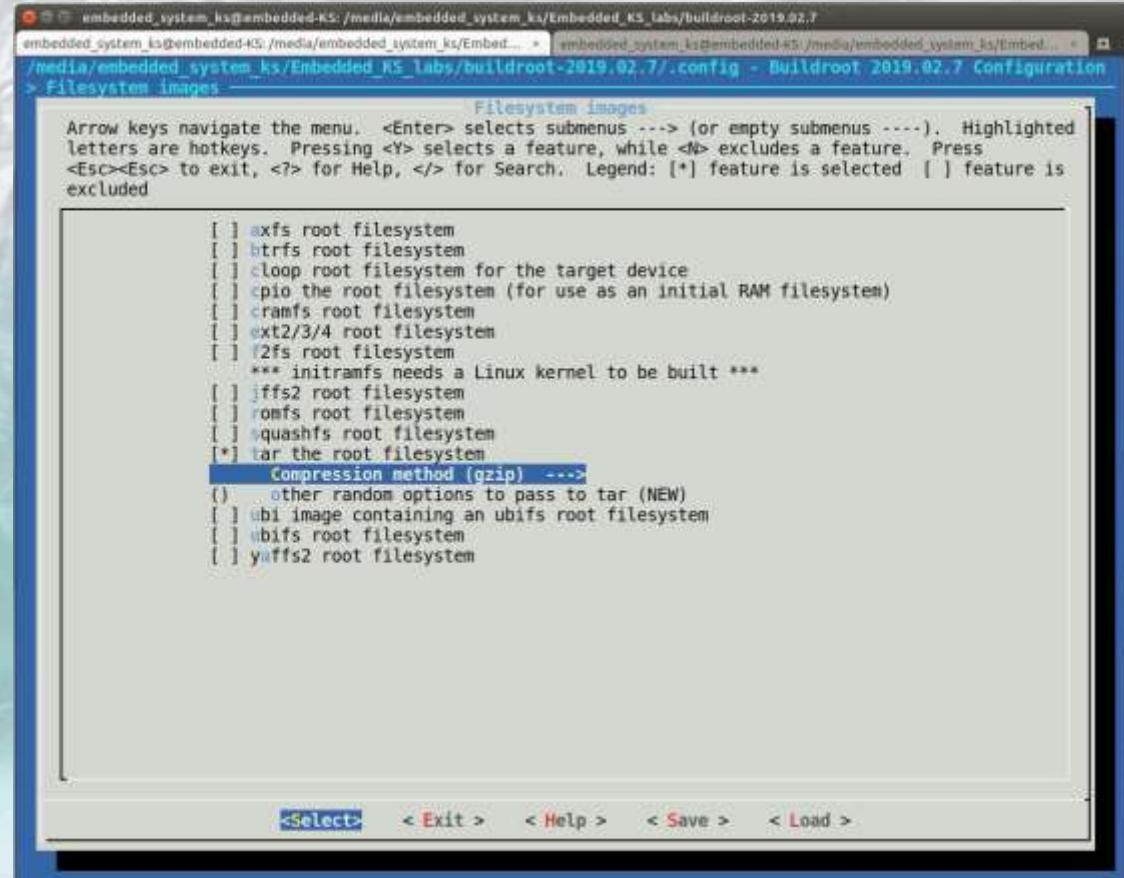
Target Packages

► Busybox



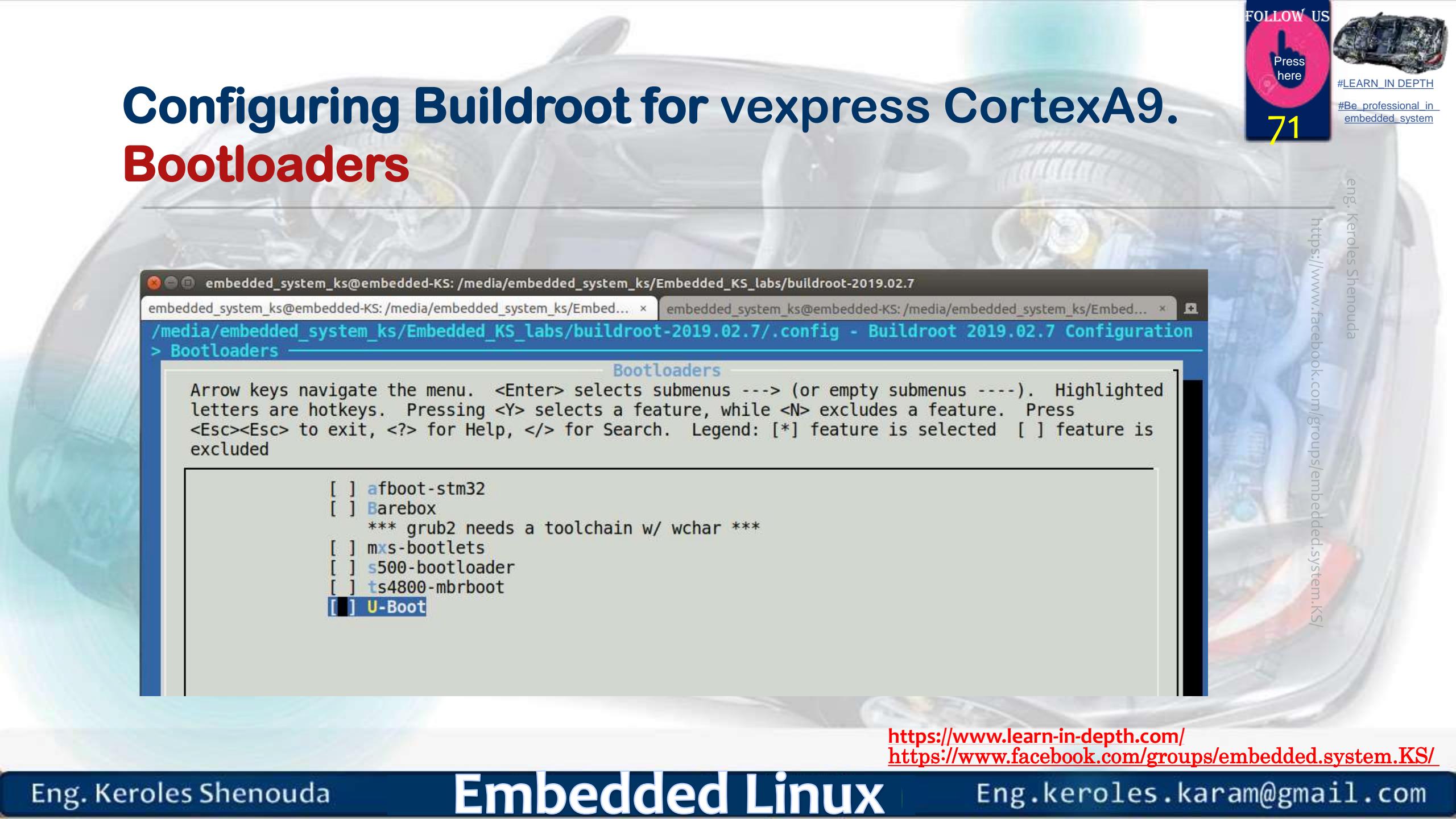
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Configuring Buildroot for vexpress CortexA9. Filesystem Images



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Configuring Buildroot for vexpress CortexA9. Bootloaders



A screenshot of a terminal window showing the Buildroot configuration interface. The title bar reads "embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7". The current configuration file is "/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/.config". The menu path is "Configuration > Bootloaders". The terminal displays the "Bootloaders" configuration screen with the following options:

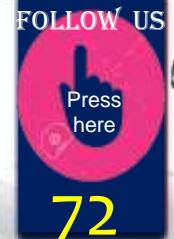
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[ ] afboot-stm32
[ ] Barebox
    *** grub2 needs a toolchain w/ wchar ***
[ ] mxs-bootlets
[ ] s500-bootloader
[ ] ts4800-mbrboot
[ ] U-Boot

```

The "U-Boot" option is highlighted with a black square selection marker.

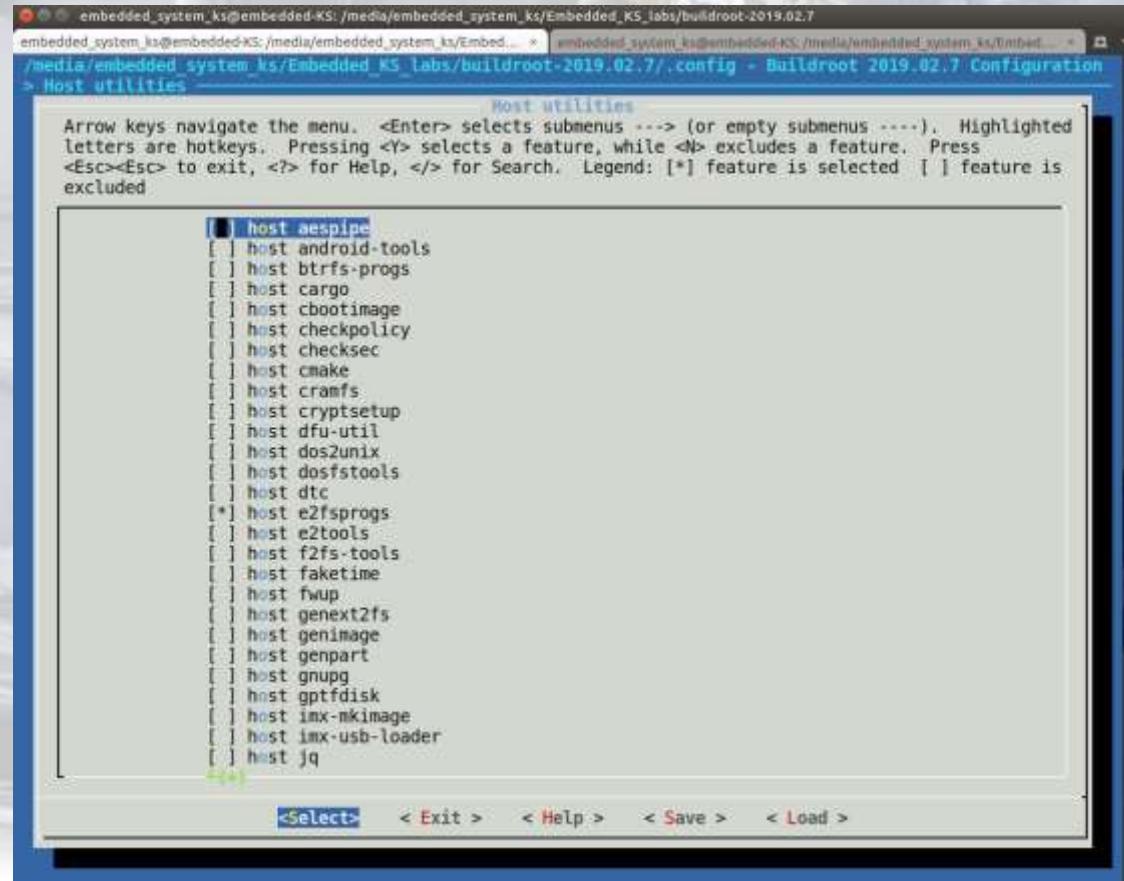
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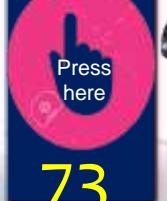
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Configuring Buildroot for vexpress CortexA9. Host utilities

- ▶ Choose the packages which will be needed by host.



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Compiling buildroot

```

embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7$ make -j 18
/usr/bin/make -j1 0=/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/output HOSTCC="/usr/bin/gcc"
HOSTCXX="/usr/bin/g++" syncconfig
make[1]: warning: -JN forced in submake; disabling jobserver mode.
make[1]: Entering directory '/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7'
make[1]: Leaving directory '/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7'
>>> host-skeleton Extracting
>>> host-skeleton Patching
>>> host-skeleton Configuring
>>> host-skeleton Building
>>> host-skeleton Installing to host directory
attr-2.4.48.tar.gz: OK (sha256: 5ead72b358ec709ed00bbf7a9eaef1654baad937c001c044fe8b74c57f5324e7)
>>> host-attr 2.4.48 Extracting
gzip -d -c /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/dl/attr/attr-2.4.48.tar.gz | tar --strip-components=1 -C /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/output/build/host-attr-2.4.48 -xf -
>>> host-attr 2.4.48 Patching
Applying 0001-build-with-older-GCCs.patch using patch:
patching file include/attributes.h

Applying 0002-Switch-back-to-syscall.patch using patch:
patching file libattr/syscalls.c
>>> host-attr 2.4.48 Updating config.sub and config.guess
for file in config.guess config.sub; do for i in $(find /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/output/build/host-attr-2.4.48 -name $file); do cp support/gnuconfig/$file $i; done; done
>>> host-attr 2.4.48 Patching libtool
patching file /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/output/build/host-attr-2.4.48/build-aux/lmain.sh
Hunk #1 succeeded at 2741 (offset 54 lines).
Hunk #2 succeeded at 4331 (offset 54 lines).
Hunk #3 succeeded at 6627 (offset 73 lines).
Hunk #4 succeeded at 6637 (offset 73 lines).
Hunk #5 succeeded at 6930 (offset 73 lines).
Hunk #6 succeeded at 7222 (offset 73 lines).
Hunk #7 succeeded at 8192 (offset 80 lines).
Hunk #8 succeeded at 10822 (offset 112 lines).
>>> host-attr 2.4.48 Configuring
(cd /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/output/build/host-attr-2.4.48/ && rm -rf config.cache; PATH=/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/buildroot-2019.02.7/output/host/bin:/media/embedded

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Prepare SDCARD

- ▶ Copy the RootFS to the second partition

```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1$ ./mount_sd.sh
```

```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ sudo rm -rf bin/ dev/ etc/ lib/ linuxrc mnt/ proc/ root/ rootfs.tar.gz sbin/ sys/ tmp/ usr/ var/
```

```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ sudo cp ../../../../../../build
```

```
root-2019.02.7/output/images/rootfs.tar .
```

```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS:/media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$
```

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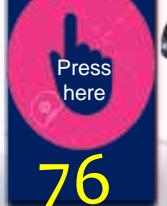
```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ ./mount_p2
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ sudo tar xvf rootfs.tar
./
./bin/
./bin/arch
./bin/ash
./bin/base64
./bin/busybox
./bin/cat
./bin/chattr
./bin/chgrp
./bin/chmod
./bin/chown
./bin/cp
./bin/cpio
./bin/date
./bin/dd
./bin/df
./bin/dmesg
./bin/dnsdomainname
./bin/dumpkmap
./bin/echo
./bin/egrep
./bin/false
./bin/fdflush
./bin/fgrep
./bin/getopt
./bin/grep
./bin/gunzip
./bin/gzip
./bin/hostname
./bin/kill
./bin/link
./bin/linux32
./bin/linux64
./bin/ln
./bin/login
./bin/ls
./bin/lsattr
./bin/mkdir
./bin/mknod
./bin/mktemp
```

Don't forget to crate a file under /dev with
ttyAMA0

sudo mknod rootfs/dev/ttyAMA0 c 204 64

```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ ./mount_p2
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ cd ..
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1/mount_p2$ ./umount_sd.sh
.oseup: /dev/loop1: detach failed: No such device or address
.oseup: /dev/loop2: detach failed: No such device or address
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1$
```

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Booting LINUX

```

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Amazon embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1$ ./lab1.sh u-boot KS
gemu-system-arm: -redir tcp:5525::22: The -redir option is deprecated. Please use '-netdev user,hostfwd=...' instead
gemu-system-arm: -redir tcp:8000::8000: The -redir option is deprecated. Please use '-netdev user,hostfwd=...' instead
WARNING: Image format was not specified for 'KS_SD_70M.img' and probing guessed raw.
        Automatically detecting the format is dangerous for raw images, write operations on block 0 will be restricted.
        Specify the 'raw' format explicitly to remove the restrictions.
pulseaudio: set_sink_input volume() failed
pulseaudio: Reason: Invalid argument
pulseaudio: set_sink_input mute() failed
pulseaudio: Reason: Invalid argument

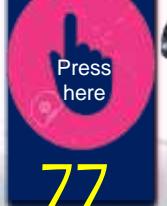
U-Boot 2020.01-rc2-00035-g3ff1ff3ff7-dirty (Nov 21 2019 - 16:47:34 +0200)

DRAM: 512 MiB
WARNING: Caches not enabled
Flash: 128 MiB
MMC: MMC: 0
*** Warning - bad CRC, using default environment

In:    serial
Out:   serial
Err:   serial
Net:   smc911x-0
Hit any key to stop autoboot: 0
=> setenv bootargs 'rw earlyprintk loglevel=8 root=/dev/mmcblk0p2 console=ttyAMA0 dhcp'
=> fatload mmc 0:1 0x60000000 zImage
4594264 bytes read in 3065 ms (1.4 MiB/s)
=> fatload mmc 0:1 0x63000000 vexpress-v2p-ca9.dtb
14143 bytes read in 34 ms (405.3 KiB/s)
=> bootz 0x60000000 - 0x63000000

```

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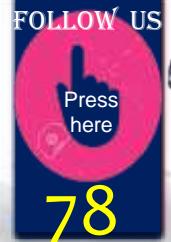
Reaching to login

```

embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/LABS/Linux_LABS/lab1
VFS: Mounted root (ext3 filesystem) on device 179:2.
Freeing unused kernel memory: 1024K
Run /sbin/init as init process
random: crng init done
EXT4-fs (mmcblk0p2): re-mounted. Opts: (null)
ext3 filesystem being remounted at / supports timestamps until 2038 (0x7fffffff)
Starting syslogd: OK
Starting klogd: OK
Starting network: Generic PHY 4e000000.ethernet-ffffffff:01: attached PHY driver [Generic PHY] (mii_bus:phy_addr=4e
000000.ethernet-ffffffff:01, irq=POLL)
smsc911x 4e000000.ethernet eth0: SMSC911x/921x identified at 0xa08c0000, IRQ: 18
Error: Driver 'vexpress-muxfpga' is already registered, aborting...
drm-clcd-pll11 10020000.clcd: initializing Versatile Express PL111
drm-clcd-pll11 10020000.clcd: DVI muxed to daughterboard 1 (core tile) CLCD
udhcpc: started, v1.29.3
udhcpc: sending discover
udhcpc: sending select for 10.0.2.15
udhcpc: lease of 10.0.2.15 obtained, lease time 86400
deleting routers
adding dns 10.0.2.3
OK
Welcome to LEARN IN DEPTH
Embedded_KS login: root
# ls
# ls /
bin          lib32        opt        run        usr
dev          linuxrc      proc       sbin      var
etc          media        root      sys        tmp
lib          mnt         rootfs.tar.gz
#

```

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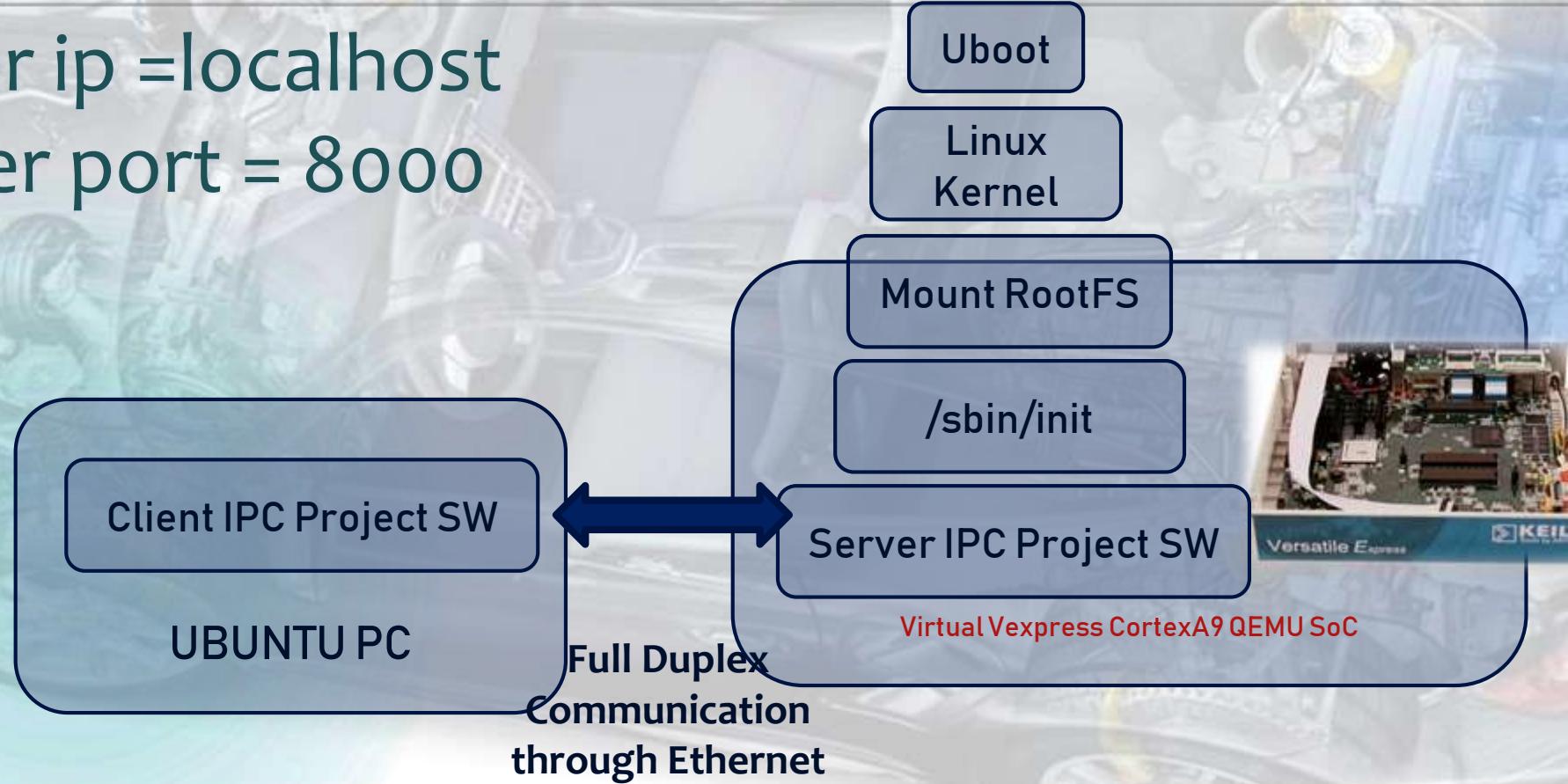
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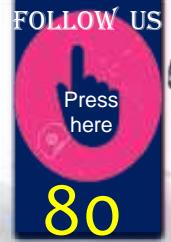
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Server ip =localhost
 Server port = 8000



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Kernel Configuration examples

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Kernel Configuration

- ▶ The kernel contains thousands of device drivers, filesystem drivers, network protocols and other configurable items
- ▶ The kernel configuration is the process of defining the set of options with which you want your kernel to be compiled
- ▶ The set of options depends
 - ▶ On the target architecture and on your hardware (for device drivers, etc.)
 - ▶ On the capabilities you would like to give to your kernel (network capabilities, filesystems, real-time, etc.). Such generic options are available in all architectures.

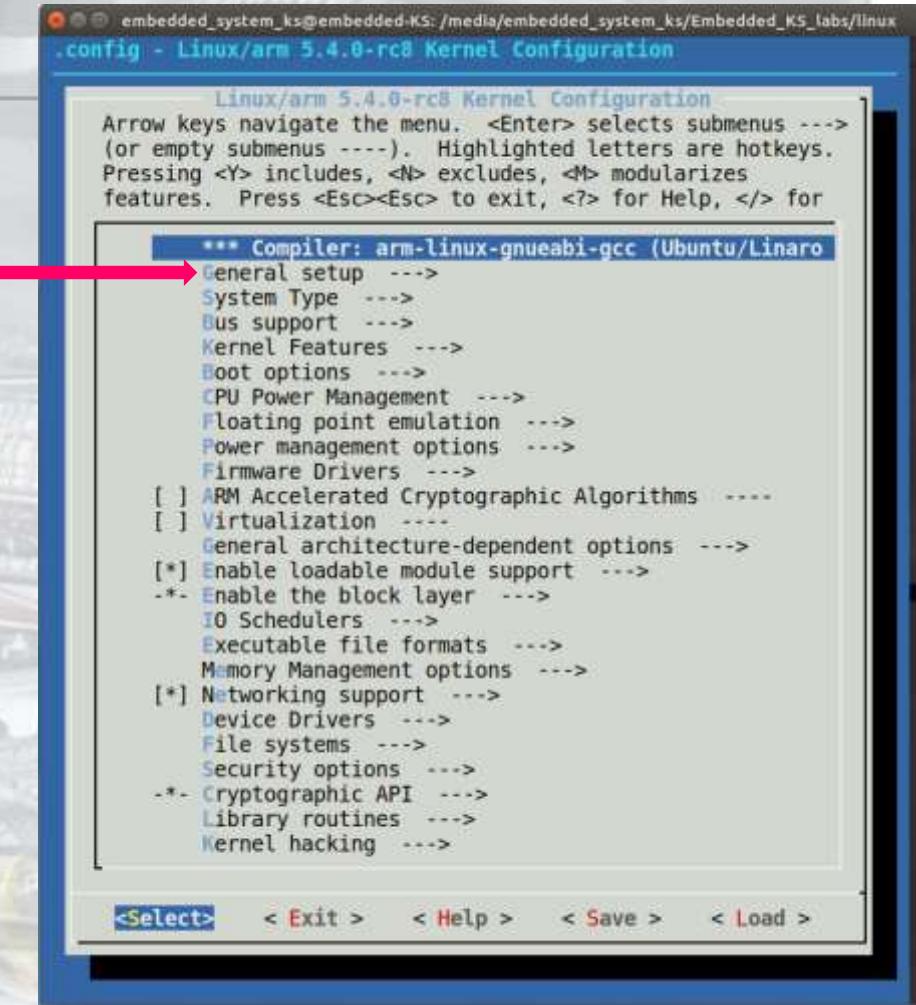
The following is a list of the main menu options available to all embedded Linux architectures:

- Code maturity level options
- General setup
- Loadable module support
- Block layer
- Networking
- Device drivers
- Filesystems
- Kernel hacking
- Security options
- Cryptographic options
- Library routines

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General setup

- ▶ This section has three settings that you should turn on:
 - ▶ **Support for paging of anonymous memory** Enables swap disk and file support
 - ▶ **System V IPC** Enables interprocess communication
 - ▶ **Sysctl support** Enables kernel parameter changes through /proc

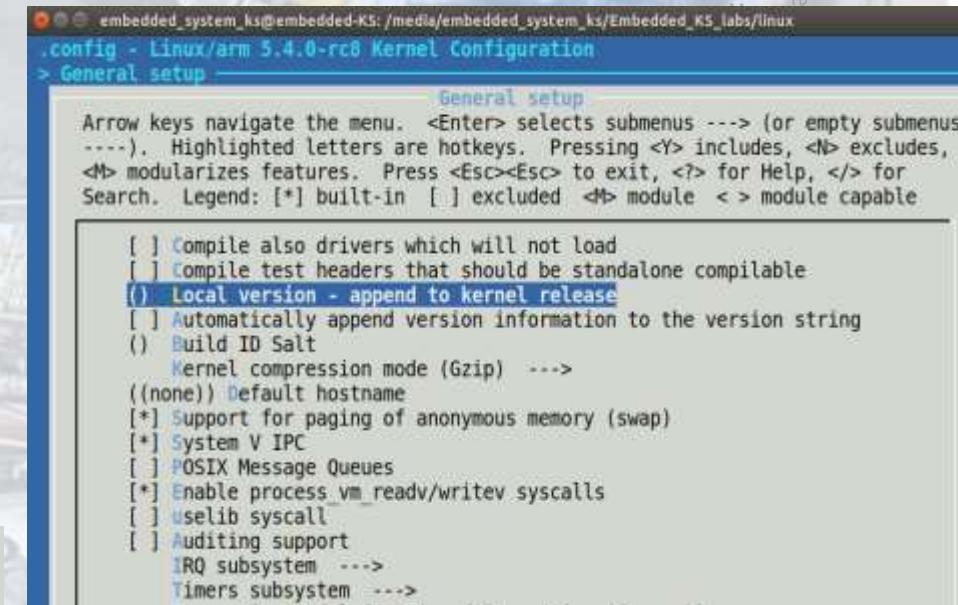


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General setup Cont.

- ▶ Option: "Local version - append to kernel release"
 - ▶ Variable name: LOCALVERSION
 - ▶ Append an extra string to the end of your kernel version. This will show up when you type uname
- ▶ Option: Automatically append version information to the version string
 - ▶ Variable name: LOCALVERSION_AUTO

This will try to automatically determine if the current tree is a release tree by looking for git tags that belong to the current top of tree revision.

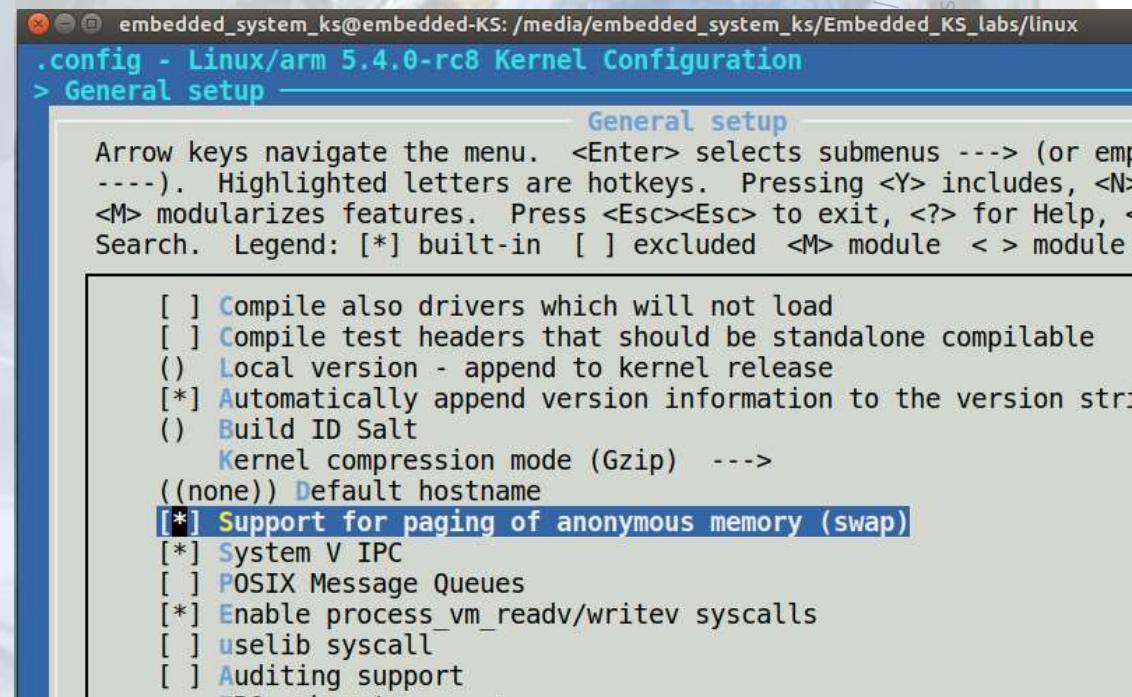


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► Option: Support for paging of anonymous memory (swap)

- Variable name: SWAP
- depends on MMU
- This option allows you to choose whether you want to have support for so called swap devices or swap files in your kernel that are used to provide more virtual memory than the actual RAM present in your computer



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General setup Cont.

► Option: System V IPC

- ▶ Variable name: SYSVIPC
- ▶ depends on MMU
- ▶ Inter Process Communication is a suite of library functions and system calls which let processes (running programs) synchronize and exchange information. It is generally considered to be a good thing, and some programs won't run unless you say Y here

System V IPC

- Message Queues
- Shared Memory
- Semaphores

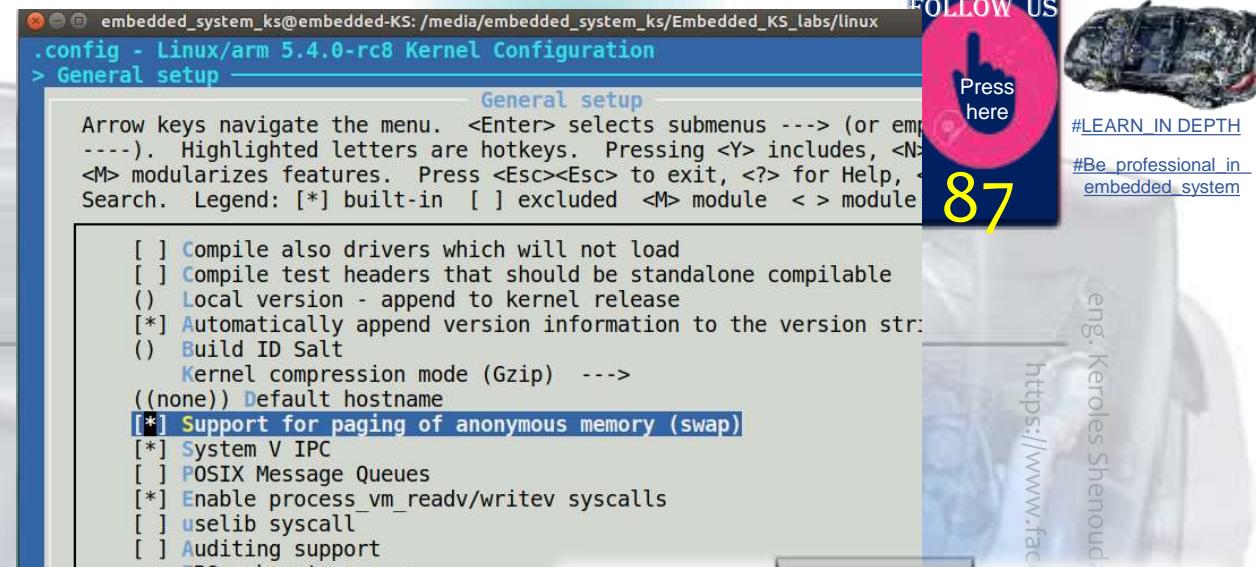
```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_labs/linux
.config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
> General setup
General setup
Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or emp
----). Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N>
<M> modularizes features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, <
Search. Legend: [*] built-in [ ] excluded <M> module < > module
[ ] Compile also drivers which will not load
[ ] Compile test headers that should be standalone compilable
() Local version - append to kernel release
[*] Automatically append version information to the version str
() Build ID Salt
    Kernel compression mode (Gzip) --->
((none)) Default hostname
[*] Support for paging of anonymous memory (swap)
[*] System V IPC
[ ] POSIX Message Queues
[*] Enable process_vm_readv/writev syscalls
[ ] uselib syscall
[ ] Auditing support
```

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General setup Cont.

► Option: POSIX Message Queues

- ▶ Variable name: POSIX_MQUEUE
- ▶ depends on NET && EXPERIMENTAL
- ▶ POSIX variant of message queues is a part of IPC. In POSIX message queues every message has a priority which decides about succession of receiving it by a process. If you want to compile and run programs written e.g. for Solaris with use of its POSIX message queues (functions mq_*) say Y here



.config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
> General setup

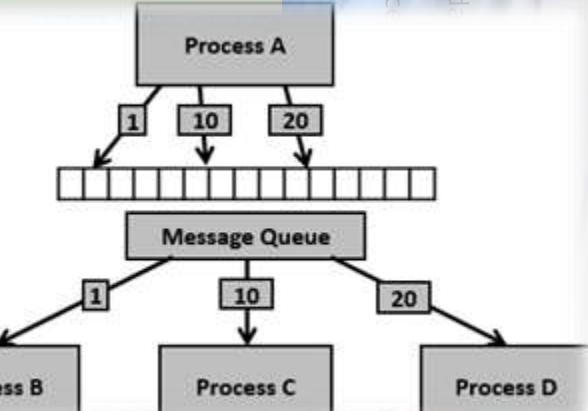
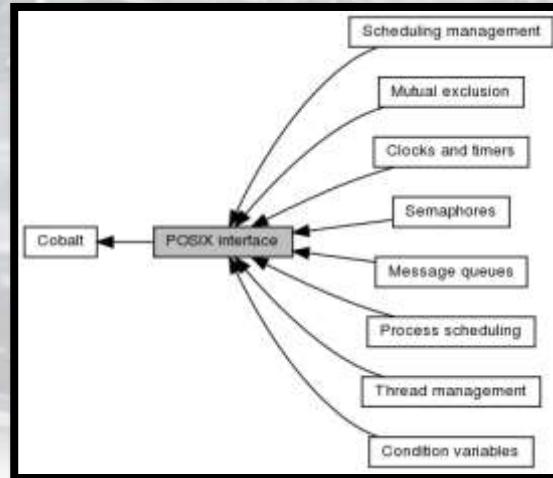
General setup

Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or emp----). Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> <M> modularizes features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, <Search>. Legend: [*] built-in [] excluded <M> module < > module

[] Compile also drivers which will not load
[] Compile test headers that should be standalone compilable
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[*] Automatically append version information to the version string
(-) Build ID Salt
Kernel compression mode (Gzip) --->
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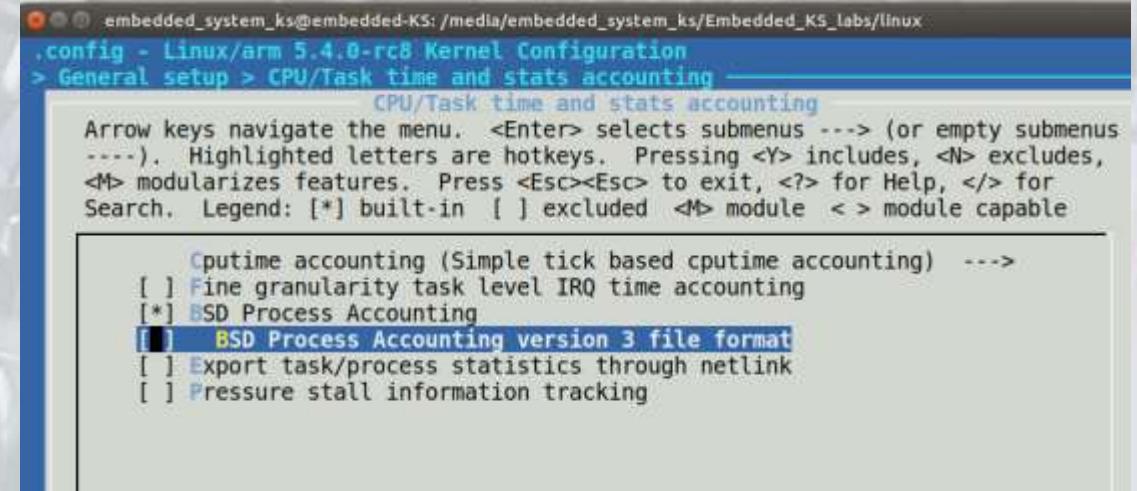
General setup Cont.

▶ Option: BSD Process Accounting

- ▶ Variable name: `BSD_PROCESS_ACCT`
- ▶ If you say Y here, a user level program will be able to instruct the kernel (via a special system call) to write process accounting information to a file: whenever a process exits, information about that process will be appended to the file by the kernel

▶ Option: BSD Process Accounting version 3 file format

- ▶ Variable name: `BSD_PROCESS_ACCT_V3`
- ▶ If you say Y here, the process accounting information is written in a new file format that also logs the process IDs of each process



```
embedded_system_ks@embedded-KS: /media/embedded_system_ks/Embedded_KS_Labs/linux
.config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
> General setup > CPU/Task time and stats accounting
  CPU/Task time and stats accounting
    Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or empty submenus ----). Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> excludes, <M> modularizes features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, </> for Search. Legend: [*] built-in [ ] excluded <M> module < > module capable
      Cputime accounting (Simple tick based cputime accounting) --->
      [ ] Fine granularity task level IRQ time accounting
      [*] BSD Process Accounting
      [ ] BSD Process Accounting version 3 file format
      [ ] Export task/process statistics through netlink
      [ ] Pressure stall information tracking
```

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General setup Cont.

- ▶ Option: Kernel .config support

- ▶ Variable name: IKCONFIG
- ▶ This option enables the complete Linux kernel ".config" file contents to be saved in the kernel. It provides documentation of which kernel options are used in a running kernel or in an on-disk kernel. This information can be extracted from the kernel image file with the script scripts/extract-ikconfig and used as input to rebuild the current kernel or to build another kernel. It can also be extracted from a running kernel by reading /proc/config.gz if enabled (below).

```
RCU Subsystem --->
<M> Kernel .config support
[*]   Enable access to .config through /proc/config.gz
```

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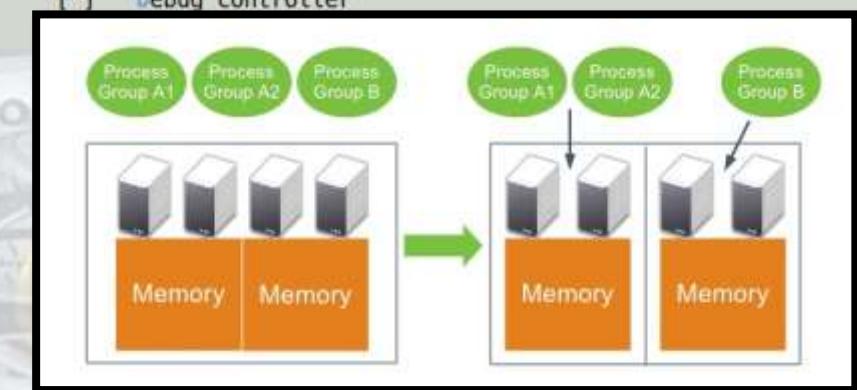
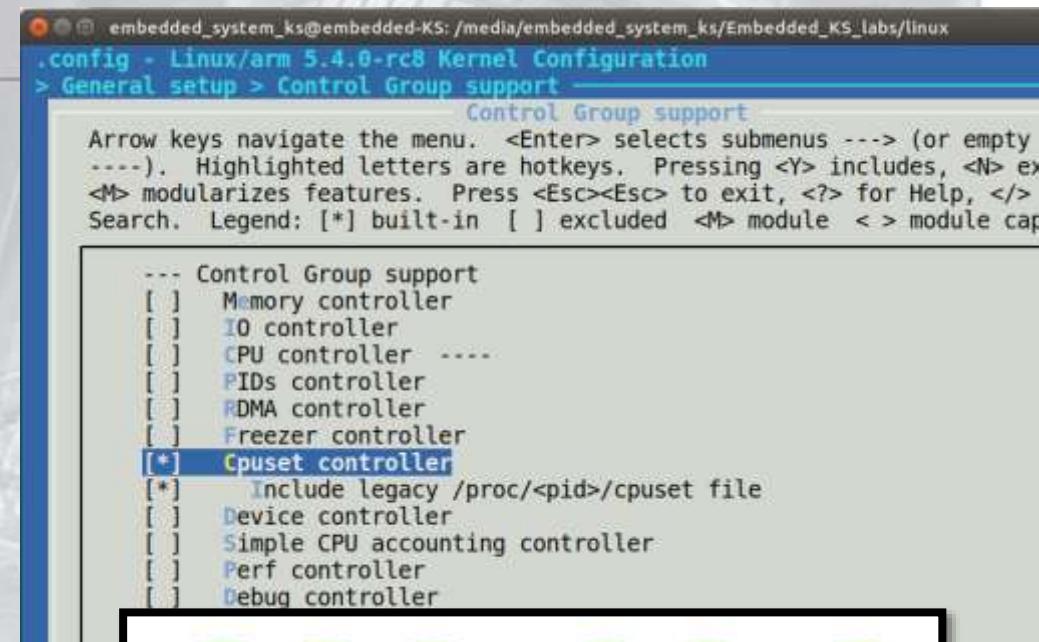
General setup Cont.

▶ Option: Cpuset support

- ▶ Variable name: CPUSETS
- ▶ This option will let you create and manage CPUSETS which allow dynamically partitioning a system into sets of CPUs and Memory Nodes and assigning tasks to run only within those sets. This is primarily useful on large SMP or NUMA (non uniform access memory) systems.

For example, the following sequence of commands will setup a cpuset named "Charlie", containing just CPUs 2 and 3, and Memory Node 1, and then start a subshell 'sh' in that cpuset:

```
mount -t cgroup -ocpuset cpuset /sys/fs/cgroup/cpuset
cd /sys/fs/cgroup/cpuset
mkdir Charlie
cd Charlie
/bin/echo 2-3 > cpuset.cpus
/bin/echo 1 > cpuset.mems
/bin/echo $$ > tasks
sh
# The subshell 'sh' is now running in cpuset Charlie
# The next line should display '/Charlie'
cat /proc/self/cpuset
```



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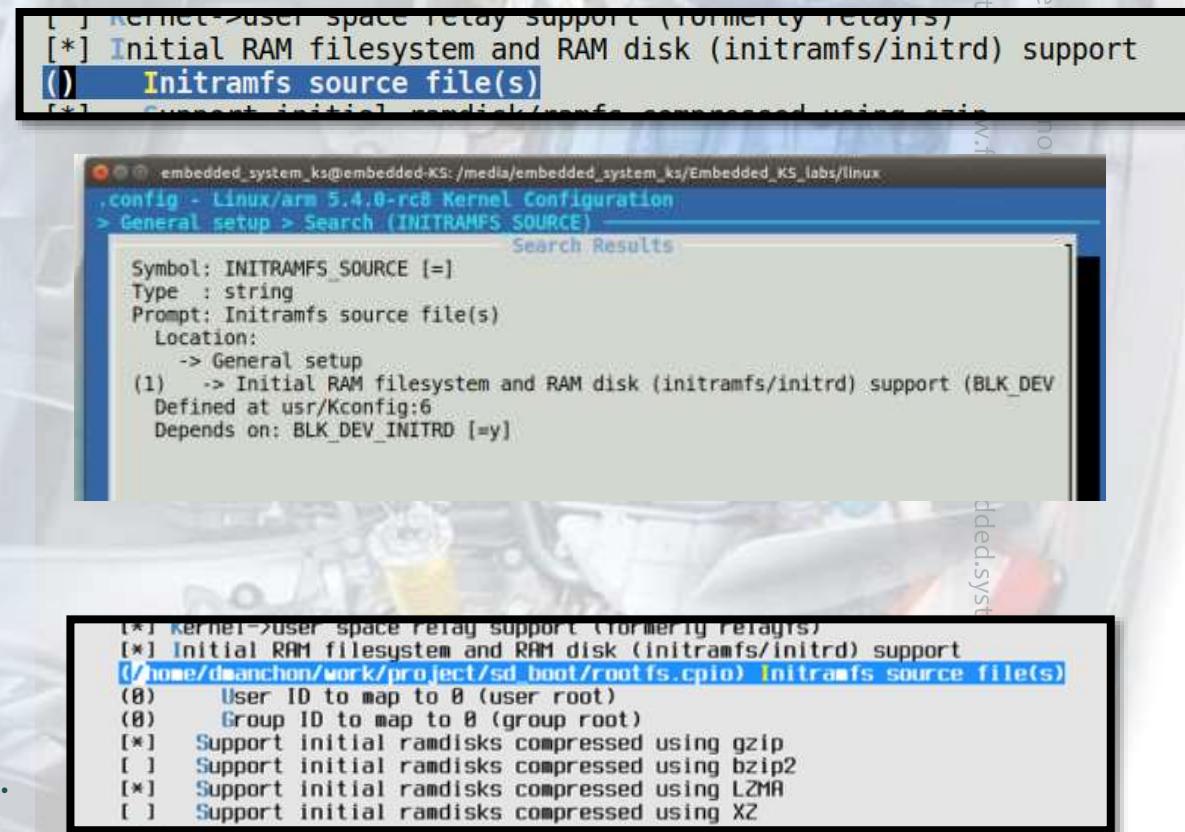
General setup Cont.

▶ Option: INITRAMFS_SOURCE

- ▶ This can be either a single cpio archive with a **.cpio** suffix or a space-separated list of directories and files for building the initramfs image. A cpio archive should contain a filesystem archive to be used as an initramfs image

▶ Option: INITRAMFS_ROOT_UID

- ▶ depends on INITRAMFS_SOURCE!=""
- ▶ This setting is only meaningful if the INITRAMFS_SOURCE is contains a directory. Setting this user ID (UID) to something other than "0" will cause all files owned by that UID to be owned by user root in the initial ramdisk image.



The screenshot shows the Linux kernel configuration interface. The top part is a terminal window displaying the kernel configuration menu. The bottom part is a graphical search results window for 'INITRAMFS_SOURCE'.

```
[*] kernel->user space relay support (formerly relays)
[*] Initial RAM filesystem and RAM disk (initramfs/initrd) support
() Initramfs source file(s)
```

Search Results

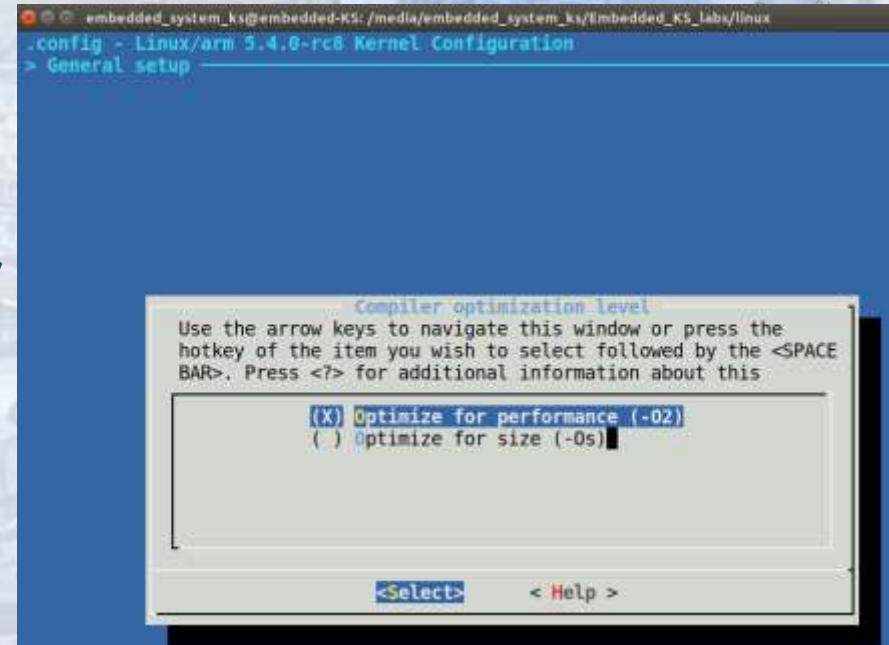
```
Symbol: INITRAMFS_SOURCE [=]
Type : string
Prompt: Initramfs source file(s)
Location:
    -> General setup
(1)   -> Initial RAM filesystem and RAM disk (initramfs/initrd) support (BLK_DEV)
Defined at usr/Kconfig:6
Depends on: BLK_DEV_INITRD [=y]
```

```
[*] kernel->user space relay support (formerly relays)
[*] Initial RAM filesystem and RAM disk (initramfs/initrd) support
(/home/dianchon/work/project/sd_boot/rootfs.cpio) Initramfs source file(s)
(0)   User ID to map to 0 (user root)
(0)   Group ID to map to 0 (group root)
[*] Support initial ramdisks compressed using gzip
[ ] Support initial ramdisks compressed using bzip2
[*] Support initial ramdisks compressed using LZMA
[ ] Support initial ramdisks compressed using XZ
```

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General setup Cont.

- ▶ Option: Optimize for size (Look out for broken compilers!)
 - ▶ Enabling this option will pass "-Os" instead of "-O2" to gcc resulting in a smaller kernel.
WARNING: some versions of gcc may generate incorrect code with this option. If problems are observed, a gcc upgrade may be needed. If unsure, say N.



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General setup Cont.

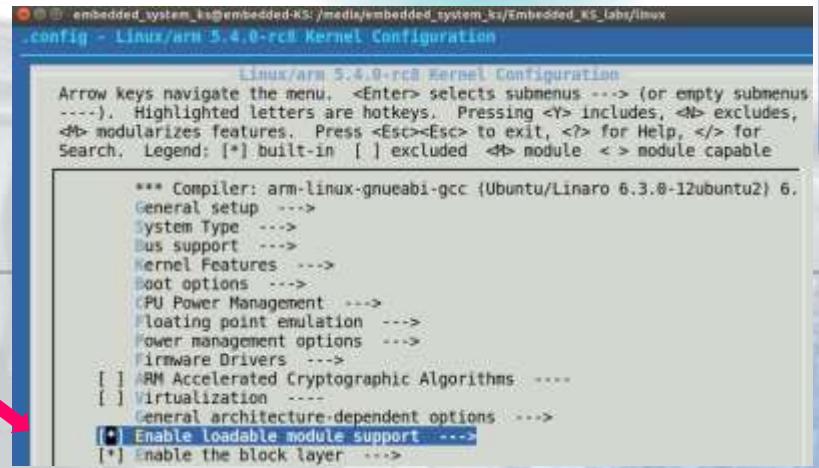
- ▶ Option: Load all symbols for debugging/kksymoops
 - ▶ Variable name: KALLSYMS
 - ▶ This increases the size of the kernel somewhat, as all symbols have to be loaded into the kernel image
- ▶ Option: Include all symbols in kallsyms
 - ▶ Variable name: KALLSYMS_ALL
 - ▶ Some debuggers can use kallsyms for other symbols too: say Y here to include all symbols, if you need them and you don't care about adding 300k to the size of your kernel. Say N.
- ▶ Option: Enable support for printk
 - ▶ Variable name: PRINTK
 - ▶ This option enables normal printk support. Removing it eliminates most of the message strings from the kernel image and makes the kernel more or less silent. As this makes it very difficult to diagnose system problems, saying N here is strongly discouraged.

```
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.config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
> General setup > Configure standard kernel features (expert users) -
  Configure standard kernel features (expert users)
Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or
----). Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes,
<M> modularizes features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help
Search. Legend: [*] built-in [ ] excluded <M> module < > modu
--- Configure standard kernel features (expert users)
[*] Enable 16-bit UID system calls (NEW)
[*] Multiple users, groups and capabilities support (NEW)
[ ] sgetmask/ssetmask syscalls support (NEW)
[*] Sysfs syscall support (NEW)
[ ] Sysctl syscall support (NEW)
[*] Open by fhandle syscalls (NEW)
[*] Posix Clocks & timers (NEW)
[*] Enable support for printk (NEW)
[*] BUG() support (NEW)
[*] Enable ELF core dumps (NEW)
[*] Enable full-sized data structures for core (NEW)
[*] Enable futex support (NEW)
[*] Enable eventpoll support (NEW)
[*] Enable signalfd() system call (NEW)
[*] Enable timerfd() system call (NEW)
[*] Enable eventfd() system call (NEW)
[*] Use full shmem filesystem (NEW)
[*] Enable AIO support (NEW)
[*] Enable IOWring support (NEW)
[*] Enable madvise/fadvise syscalls (NEW)
[-] Enable membarrier() system call
[*] Load all symbols for debugging/ksymoops
[ ] Include all symbols in kallsyms
```

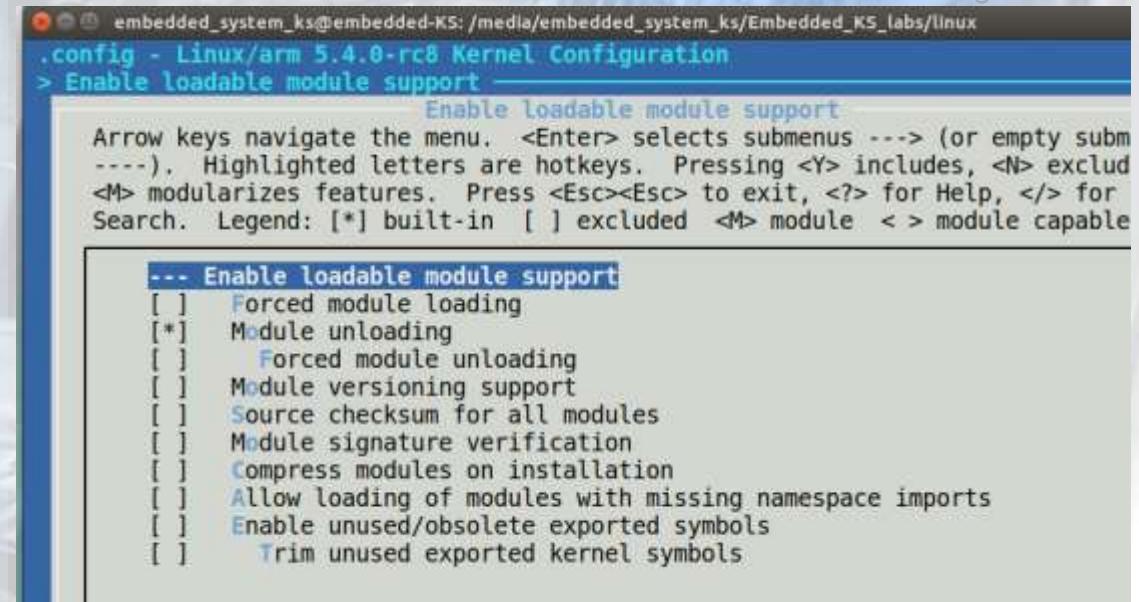
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Linux kernel/Loadable module support

- ▶ Option: Enable loadable module support
 - ▶ variable name: MODULES
 - ▶ Kernel modules are small pieces of compiled code which can be inserted in the running kernel, rather than being permanently built into the kernel
- ▶ Option: Module unloading
 - ▶ variable name: MODULE_UNLOAD
 - ▶ Without this option you will not be able to unload any modules
- ▶ Option: Forced module unloading
 - ▶ variable name: MODULE_FORCE_UNLOAD
 - ▶ This option allows you to force a module to unload, even if the kernel believes it is unsafe: the kernel will remove the module without waiting for anyone to stop using it (using the -f option to rmmod).
- ▶ Option: Module versioning support (EXPERIMENTAL)
 - ▶ variable name: MODVERSIONS
 - ▶ Usually, you have to use modules compiled with your kernel. Saying Y here makes it sometimes possible to use modules compiled for different kernels, by adding enough information to the modules



```
Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
... config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
...
*** Compiler: arm-linux-gnueabi-gcc (Ubuntu/Linaro 6.3.0-12ubuntu2) 6.
General setup --->
System Type --->
...
[ ] Enable loadable module support --->
[*] Enable the block layer --->
```

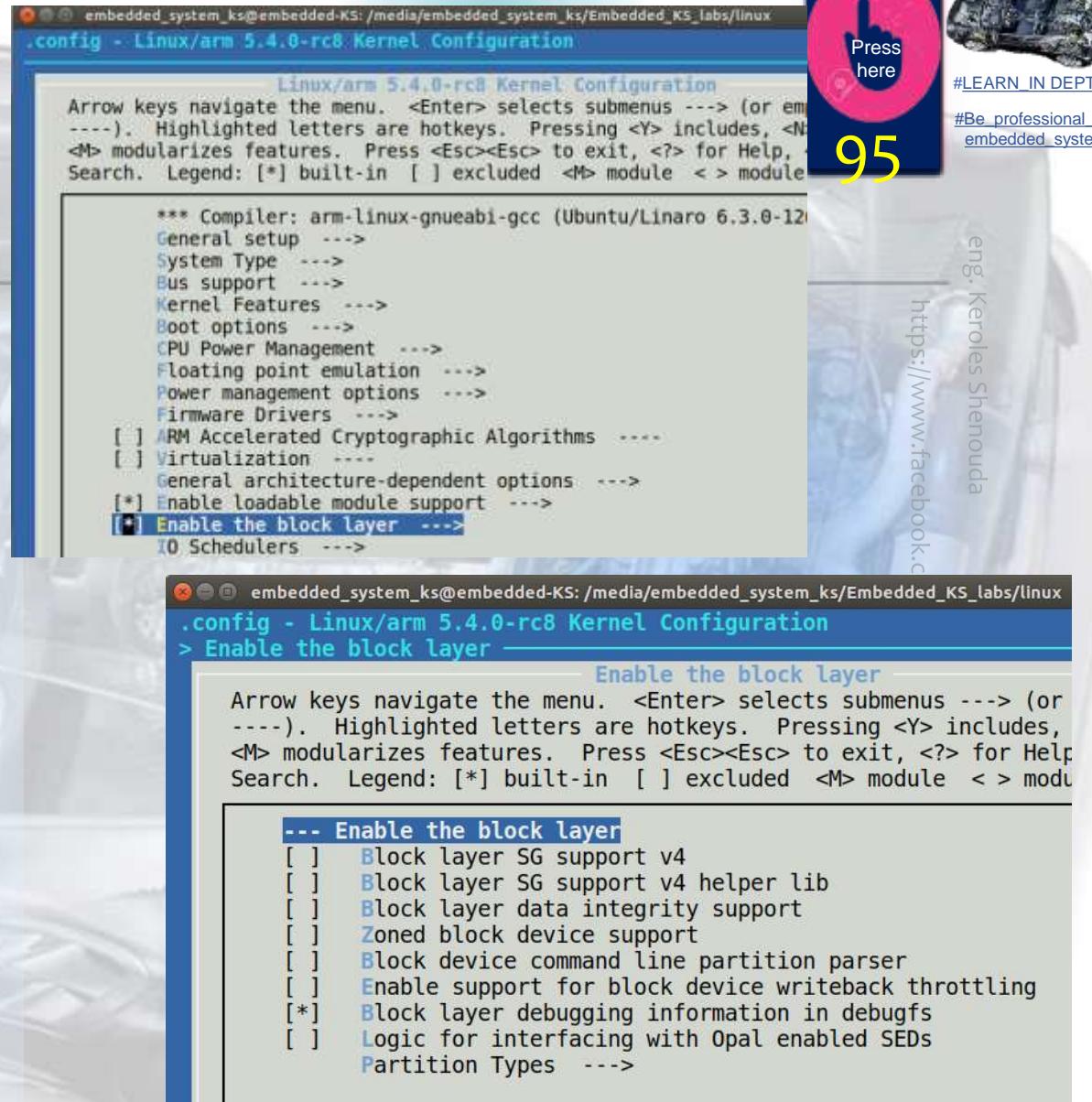


```
Enable loadable module support
...
--- Enable loadable module support
[ ] Forced module loading
[*] Module unloading
[ ] Forced module unloading
[ ] Module versioning support
[ ] Source checksum for all modules
[ ] Module signature verification
[ ] Compress modules on installation
[ ] Allow loading of modules with missing namespace imports
[ ] Enable unused/obsolete exported symbols
[ ] Trim unused exported kernel symbols
```

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Linux kernel/Block layer

- ▶ Option: "Enable the block layer"
 - ▶ default y
 - ▶ If this option is disabled, then blockdev files will become unusable and some filesystems (such as ext3) will become unavailable



The image shows two screenshots of the Linux kernel configuration tool (lkc) running on an ARM system. The top screenshot shows the main menu with the 'Enable the block layer' option highlighted. The bottom screenshot shows the detailed options for 'Enable the block layer', which include support for SG support v4, data integrity, Zoned block device support, command line partition parser, writeback throttling, debugging information, and Opal SEDs logic.

```
config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
*** Compiler: arm-linux-gnueabi-gcc (Ubuntu/Linaro 6.3.0-12)
General setup --->
System Type --->
Bus support --->
Kernel Features --->
Boot options --->
CPU Power Management --->
Floating point emulation --->
Power management options --->
Firmware Drivers --->
[ ] ARM Accelerated Cryptographic Algorithms ----
[ ] Virtualization ----
General architecture-dependent options --->
[*] Enable loadable module support --->
[+] Enable the block layer --->
IO Schedulers --->

config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
> Enable the block layer
    Enable the block layer
        Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or ----). Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <M> modularizes features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, Search. Legend: [*] built-in [ ] excluded <M> module < > module
        ...
        [ ] Block layer SG support v4
        [ ] Block layer SG support v4 helper lib
        [ ] Block layer data integrity support
        [ ] Zoned block device support
        [ ] Block device command line partition parser
        [ ] Enable support for block device writeback throttling
        [*] Block layer debugging information in debugfs
        [ ] Logic for interfacing with Opal enabled SEDs
        Partition Types --->
```

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How to configure the Linux kernel/fs

- ▶ Select which extension you need.
- ▶ Pseudo filesystems
- ▶ RAMFS
- ▶ Miscellaneous filesystems

```

File systems
Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or empty
Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> excludes,
features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, </> for Search. Legend:
[ ] excluded <M> module < > module capable

< > JFS filesystem support
< > XFS filesystem support
< > GFS2 file system support
< > Btrfs filesystem support
< > NILFS2 file system support
< > F2FS filesystem support
[ ] Enable filesystem export operations for block IO
*- Enable POSIX file locking API
[*]  Enable Mandatory file locking
[ ] FS Encryption (Per-file encryption)
[ ] FS Verify (read-only file-based authenticity protection)
[*] Dnotify support
[*] Inotify support for userspace
[ ] Filesystem wide access notification
[ ] Quota support
< > Old Kconfig name for Kernel automounter support
< > Kernel automounter support (supports v3, v4 and v5)
< > FUSE (Filesystem in Userspace) support
< > Overlay filesystem support
Caches --->
CD-ROM/DVD Filesystems --->
DOS/FAT/NT Filesystems --->
Pseudo filesystems --->
[*] Miscellaneous filesystems --->
[*] Network File Systems --->
** Native language support --->
[ ] UTF-8 normalization and casefolding support

```

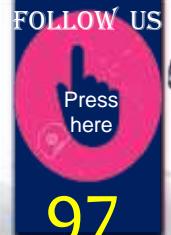
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Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or empty submenus --->
Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> excludes, <M> modularizes
features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, </> for Search. Legend: [*] built-in
[ ] excluded <M> module < > module capable

*** Compiler: arm-linux-gnueabi-gcc (Ubuntu/Linaro 6.3.0-12ubuntu2) 6.3.0
General setup --->
System Type --->
Bus support --->
Kernel Features --->
Boot options --->
CPU Power Management --->
Floating point emulation --->
Power management options --->
Firmware Drivers --->
[ ] ARM Accelerated Cryptographic Algorithms --->
[ ] Virtualization --->
General architecture-dependent options --->
[*] Enable loadable module support --->
*- Enable the block layer --->
IO Schedulers --->
Executable file formats --->
Memory Management options --->
[*] Networking support --->
Device Drivers --->
File systems --->
Security options --->
*- Cryptographic API --->
Library routines --->
Kernel hacking --->

```

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Networking

Networking support

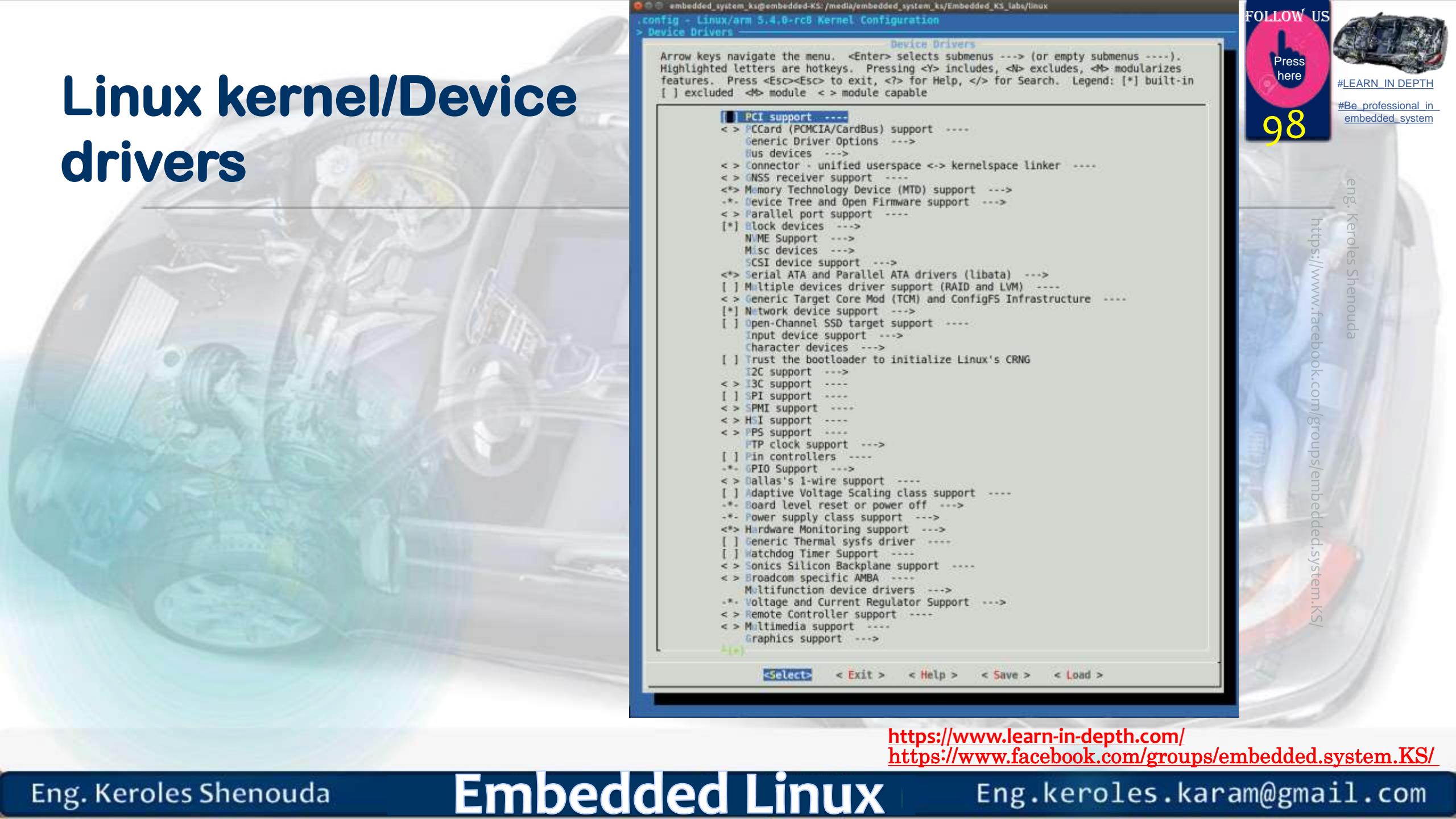
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-- Networking support

```
Networking options --->
[ ] Amateur Radio support ----
< > CAN bus subsystem support ----
< > Bluetooth subsystem support ----
< > RxRPC session sockets
< > KCM sockets
[ ] Wireless ----
< > WiMAX Wireless Broadband support ----
< > RF switch subsystem support ----
<*> Plan 9 Resource Sharing Support (9P2000) --->
< > CAIF support ----
< > Ceph core library
< > NFC subsystem support ----
< > Packet-sampling netlink channel ----
< > Inter-FE based on IETF ForCES InterFE LFB ----
[ ] Network light weight tunnels
-* Generic failover module
```

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Linux kernel/Device drivers



config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc5 Kernel Configuration
> Device Drivers

Device Drivers

Arrow keys navigate the menu. <Enter> selects submenus ---> (or empty submenus ----).
Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> excludes, <M> modularizes
features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help, </> for Search. Legend: [*] built-in
[] excluded <> module <-> module capable

```
[ ] PCI support ...  
<-> PCCard (PCMCIA/CardBus) support ...  
Generic Driver Options ...>  
Bus devices ...>  
<-> Connector + unified userspace <-> kernelspace linker ...  
<-> GNSS receiver support ...  
<-> Memory Technology Device (MTD) support ...>  
-.- Device Tree and Open Firmware support ...>  
<-> Parallel port support ...  
[*] Block devices ...>  
NVME Support ...>  
Misc devices ...>  
SCSI device support ...>  
<-> Serial ATA and Parallel ATA drivers (libata) ...>  
[ ] Multiple devices driver support (RAID and LVM) ...  
<-> Generic Target Core Mod (TCM) and ConfigFS Infrastructure ...  
[*] Network device support ...>  
[ ] Open-Channel SSD target support ...  
Input device support ...>  
Character devices ...>  
[ ] Trust the bootloader to initialize Linux's CRNG  
I2C support ...>  
<-> I3C support ...  
[ ] SPI support ...  
<-> SPMI support ...  
<-> HSI support ...  
<-> PPS support ...  
-.- PTp clock support ...>  
[ ] Pin controllers ...  
-.- GPIO Support ...>  
<-> Dallas's 1-wire support ...  
[ ] Adaptive Voltage Scaling class support ...  
-.- Board level reset or power off ...>  
-.- Power supply class support ...>  
<-> Hardware Monitoring support ...>  
[ ] Generic Thermal sysfs driver ...  
[ ] Watchdog Timer Support ...  
<-> Sonics Silicon Backplane support ...  
<-> Broadcom specific AMBA ...  
Multifunction device drivers ...>  
-.- Voltage and Current Regulator Support ...>  
<-> Remote Controller support ...  
<-> Multimedia support ...  
-.- Graphics support ...>
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<Select> < Exit > < Help > < Save > < Load >

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Linux kernel/Device drivers

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.config - Linux/arm 5.4.0-rc8 Kernel Configuration
> Device Drivers > Search (CONFIG_DEV TMPFS_MOUNT) ━━━━━━━━
Search Results
Symbol: DEV TMPFS_MOUNT [=n]
Type : bool
Prompt: Automount devtmpfs at /dev, after the kernel mounted the rootfs
Location:
    -> Device Drivers
        -> Generic Driver Options
(1)      -> Maintain a devtmpfs filesystem to mount at /dev (DEV TMPFS [=y])
Defined at drivers/base/Kconfig:47
Depends on: DEV TMPFS [=y]
```

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