

# esp-rs Introduction

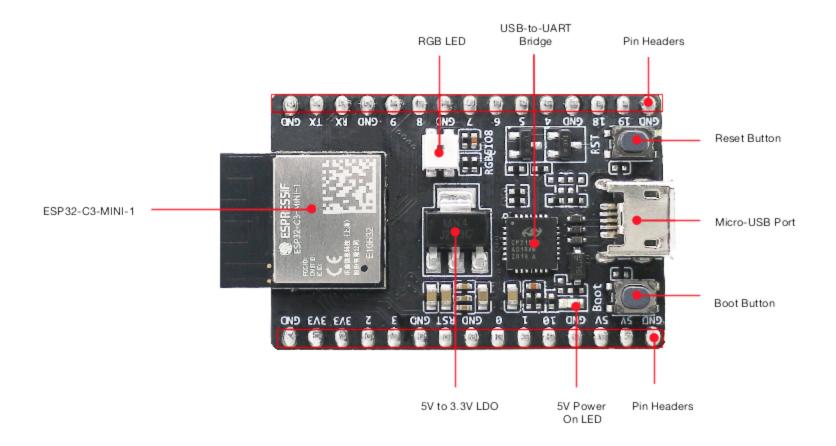
#### Goals of this session



- Understand how esp-idf is used in conjunction Rust
- Tooling available
- Flash and run Standard library example on C3

#### **About the hardware**





# **Tooling - espflash**



- Rewrite of esptool.py with convenient Cargo integrations.
- Communication with the ROM bootloader via serial to flash programs.
- Handles all sorts of esp-idf specifics, partition table, bootloader etc.

# **Tooling - probe-rs**



- RISC-V & ARM only.
- USB-SERIAL-JTAG peripheral built into the esp32c3 silicon supported in probe-rs v0.14.
- Flashing works flawlessly, but probe-rs is not "esp-idf aware".
- Debugging RISC-V chips with probe-rs is mostly there, but unwinding the stack is buggy. See this tracking issue.

## STD - esp-idf



- A development framework for all Espressif chips since 2016 (esp32 and newer).
- Handles atomic emulation for targets (esp32c3 included) without atomics.
- esp-idf tooling is mostly written in Python, but idf-env, written in Rust, is rapidly gaining features.

#### STD - Rust



- esp std port is unix like.
- Makes use of libc through the newlib component of esp-idf.
- Reference PR rust#87666
- Supports:
  - Threads
  - Networking
  - Storage (File System)
  - Rng
  - Syncronization primitives (Mutex, RWLock)

### STD - Build system



- embuild manages the build and configuration of the esp-idf project.
- -z build-std Using cargo to build the standard library.
- Idproxy used to to collect all the linker args from esp-idf and use them in the final link with Rust.
- Note: Does not play well with Windows currently, a few issues with long paths / long command line args.

# Example



• Lets get the built in neopixel flashing

### **Example - Prequisites**



- git clone https://github.com/MabezDev/esp32c3-idf-led-example.
- rustup toolchain install nightly & rustup update nightly.
- cargo install ldproxy --force
- cargo install cargo-espflash

#### **Example - Build**



Inside esp32c3-idf-led-example , run:

```
cargo +nightly espflash --monitor $DEVICE_PATH
```

Where \$DEVICE PATH is the path to the serial port for the esp32c3.

#### Examples:

- Linux: /dev/ttyUSB0
- MacOS: /dev/cu.usbserial-A700dYoR or /dev/ttyUSB0
- Windows: COM1

#### **Bonus - Xtensa**



- Prior to the C3 all Espressif chips are based on the Xtensa architecture.
- ISA is not public, only licensees have access.
  - We made a unofficial ISA doc available here
- LLVM backend developed by Espressif
- Rust for esp fork utilises the Xtensa LLVM backend

#### Links



- esp-rs organisation
- esp-idf
- esp-rs roadmap