Buildroot workshop



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Agenda

- 1. About Buildroot
- 2. Install Buildroot
- 3. QEMU Boot CD

Buildroot - Making Embedded Linux Easy

- Uses same build system as Linux kernel
 - The system is easy to optimize (boot time, size, etc).
 - Simple source based package management.
 - Gives you full control of your options.
- Mature healthy project
 - Open source with active development.
 - Extensive documentation (PDF, HTML).
 - Stable release every 3. month.
 - Started in 2001.

Who is using Buildroot?

- Google Fiber
- Marvell
- Atmel
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Installing the dependencies

- Debian
- Fedora

Fedora dependencies

dnf install -y @development-tools kernel-devel wget dnf install -y which ncurses-devel gcc-c++ flex tar dnf install -y perl-ExtUtils-MakeMaker findutils dnf install -y bison cmake cpio python bc bzip2 dnf install -y libstdc++.i686 glibc-devel.i686 dnf install -y perl-Thread-Queue file

Debian dependencies

```
apt-get update
apt-get install -y wget build-essential unzip bc
apt-get install -y libncurses5-dev rsync cpio
apt-get install -y gcc-multilib python
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Getting the source

```
version=buildroot-2017.02.tar.gz
wget https://buildroot.org/downloads/$version
tar xvf $version
cd $version
# You can also visit
# https://buildroot.org/download.html
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Building Buildroot

```
make help
make qemu x86 64 defconfig
make menuconfig # modify config
make busybox-menuconfig # optional
make linux-menuconfig # optional
make
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Boot ISO

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iso=output/images/rootfs.iso9660
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qemu-system-x86_64 -boot d -cdrom $iso -m 128
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Summary

Thank you and may the Source be with you.

- Quick kernel hacking with QEMU + buildroot
- Step by step installation guide
- Buildroot x86 installer
- NUUG