

CubieTruck-debian-server usage introduce

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1. Preface

1.1. Writing purpose

This document mainly introduced usage of CubieTruck debian-server system.

1.2. Using object

CubieTruck debian-server system and most of Cubieboard1、Cubieboard2、CubieTruck、Cubieboard4 linux system, include lubuntu and cubieez(debian-desktop) are applicable.

2. Ethernet

2.1. Connected to the Ethernet

Ethernet configuration of all cubieboard are settings for the DHCP by default .Make sure the the router or switches has no problem .Only need connecting Ethernet cable before plug power supply ,the system can get the IP automatically.If not connecting Ethernet cable or get out the cable when running system ,just plug the cable ,wait a few seconds ,the system will automatically connect the Ethernet.

Sometimes maybe need to use following command:

\$sudo dhclient eth0

2.2. Gigabit network

CubieTruck support gigabit network. Make sure that bandwidth is gigabit network and the switches support gigabit network, just let CubieTruck connected to the Ethernet ,it will automaticall use gigbit network.

2.3. Static IP

Because the DHCP setting ,the IP maybe will change afert reboot. Type:

\$sudo vi /etc/network/interfaces



Add the following content:

auto lo eth0 allow-hotplug eth0 iface lo inet loopback iface eth0 inet static

address 192.168.1.x gateway 192.168.1.1 netmask 255.255.255.0 network 192.168.1.0 broadcast 192.168.1.255

```
interfaces(5) file used by ifup(8) and ifdown(8)
auto lo eth0
allow-hotplug eth0
iface lo inet loopback
iface eth0 inet static

address 192.168.1.88
gateway 192.168.1.1
netmask 255.255.255.0
network 192.168.1.0
broadcast 192.168.1.255
```

"x" change to IP you need ,ensure there is no IP conflict within LAN.Save and exit ,reboot the system .

3. Display

3.1. HDMI

The resolution of HDMI display output image is 720p50 by default .To modify the resolution for 1080p60



If the system in the nand, type
#mount /dev/nanda /mnt
#cd /mnt
#bin2fex script.bin sys_config.fex

If the system in the TF card, type #mount /dev/mmcblk0p1 /mnt #cd /mnt #bin2fex script.bin sys_config.fex

vi sys_config.fex

"screen0_output_mode=4"change to "screen0_output_mode=10", meaning 1080p60, save and exit.

#cd /mnt
#fex2bin sys_config.fex script.bin
#cd ~
#umount /mnt
#reboot



Reboot the system ,the modification will effective.

If switch the VGA display output ,"screen0_output_type=3"change to "screen0_output_type=4" $^{\circ}$

3.2. VGA

The resolution of VGA display output image is 1024*768 by default. To switch the HDMI display output

If the system in the nand, type #mount /dev/nanda /mnt #cd /mnt #bin2fex script.bin sys_config.fex

If the system in the TF card, type #mount /dev/mmcblk0p1 /mnt #cd /mnt #bin2fex script.bin sys_config.fex

vi sys_config.fex

 $"screen 0_output_type=4" change \ to \ "screen 0_output_type=3", \ \ meaning \ HDMI \ display \ , \ \ save \ and \ exit.$



#cd/mnt

#fex2bin sys_config.fex script.bin

#cd ~

#umount /mnt

#reboot

Reboot the system ,the modification will effective.

3.3. HDMI and VGA dual display

dual display need to modify the file script.bin ,configuration as

```
[disp_init]
disp_init_enable = 1
disp_mode = 0

screen0_output_type = 3
screen0_output_mode = 4
```



```
screen1_output_type
screen1_output_mode
fb0_width = 1024
fb0_height = 768
fb0_framebuffer_num = 2
fb0_format
                 = 10
fb0_pixel_sequence
fb0\_scaler\_mode\_enable = 1
fb1_width = 1024
fb1_height = 768
fb1_framebuffer_num = 2
fb1_format
                  = 10
fb1_pixel_sequence
fb1 scaler mode enable = 0
```

Note :some display monitor happen cut the screen case ,try use command to adjust :fbset -left 10 The command is not necessarily effective ,and invalid after reboot .

4. TF CARD

TF card is mainly as the system boot card and memory card.

4.1. System boot card

See the make card system documentation.

4.2. Memory card

Using a 16G TF card as example



1. To find the device node,TF card insert in the card slot, in the terminal ,type #fdisk -l

If you are using ordinary user ,add "sudo " at the head of the command \$sudo fdisk -l



```
root@cubietruck:~# fdisk -l
Disk /dev/nand: 7700 MB, 7700742144 bytes
255 heads, 63 sectors/track, 936 cylinders, total 15040512 sectors
Units = sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x00000000
Disk /dev/nand doesn't contain a valid partition table
Disk /dev/nanda: 67 MB, 67108864 bytes
255 heads, 63 sectors/track, 8 cylinders, total 131072 sectors
Units = sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x00000000
      Device Boot
                         Start
                                         End
                                                   Blocks
                                                              Id System
Disk /dev/nandb: 7516 MB, 7516192768 bytes
255 heads, 63 sectors/track, 913 cylinders, total 14680064 sectors
Units = sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x00000000
Disk /dev/nandb doesn't contain a valid partition table
Disk /dev/nandc: 100 MB, 100663296 bytes
255 heads, 63 sectors/track, 12 cylinders, total 196608 sectors
Units = sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disk identifier: Oxffffffff
Disk /dev/nandc doesn't contain a valid partition table
Disk /dev/mmcblk0: 15.9 GB, 15931539456 bytes
4 heads, 16 sectors/track, 486192 cylinders, total 31116288 sectors
Units = sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x00000000
         Device Boot
                             Start
                                            End
                                                       Blocks
                                                                 Ιd
                                                                     System
/dev/mmcblk0p1
                             2048
                                          26623
                                                        12288
                                                                 83
                                                                     Linux
                                       31116287
/dev/mmcblk0p2
                            26624
                                                     15544832
                                                                 83
                                                                      Linux
root@cubietruck:~#
```

There is some card information in log ,prove the system has identify card ."/dev/mmcblk0" is device node.Can be seen that TF card has been divide the 13M size sda1 and 15G size sda2 partition.Others is nand flash information.



2. The best you format the new card before use it .In the terminal type #mkfs.vfat /dev/mmcblk0p1

The card have formatted as VFAT format that can be recognized by Windows system ,convenient be operated data .The operation format the card as FAT format can be do in the windows system use a card reader .The operation will damage data ,if the card hav used ,you can ignore this chapter .

3. Mount device.

#mount /dev/mmcblk0p1 /mnt

#df

```
root@cubietruck:~# mount /dev/mmcblk0p1 /mnt
<4>EXT2-fs (mmcblk0p1): warning: mounting unchecked fs, running e2fsck is recommended
EXT2-fs (mmcblk0p1): warning: mounting unchecked fs, running e2fsck is recommended
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~# df
                            Used Available Use% Mounted on
Filesystem
               1K-blocks
rootfs
                   955016 613896
                                     292608
                  955016 613896
/dev/root
                                    292608
                                             68% /
                                              0% /dev
devtmpfs
                  1023636
                                    1023636
                               0
tmpfs
                   131072
                             176
                                     130896
                                              1% /run
tmpfs
                                              0% /run/lock
                     5120
                                       5120
                                             0% /run/shm
1% /tmp
                               0
                                     131072
tmpfs
                   131072
                             88
tmpfs
                  1048576
                                    1048488
                                    292608 68% /var/log.hdd
/dev/root
                   955016 613896
,
ramlog-tmpfs
/dev/mmcblk0p1
                                       58968 2% /var/log
6235 45% /mnt
                   262144
                            3176
                                     258968
                    11895
                            5046
root@cubietruck:~#
```

If has no the wrong log ,prove mount successfully. The hardpoint can be read and write data now.

4. Unmount device.

#umount /mnt

5. USB

We often use the USB device include U disk, mouse and keyboard.

5.1. U disk



1. To find the device node,insert the USB disk into one of the four USB,in the terminal ,type #fdisk -l

If you are using ordinary user ,add "sudo " at the head of the command

\$sudo fdisk -1

```
Disk /dev/sda: 8040 MB, 8040480256 bytes
136 heads, 53 sectors/track, 2178 cylinders, total 15704063 sectors
Units = sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disk identifier: 0x00000000

Device Boot Start End Blocks Id System
/dev/sda1 * 1244928 15704062 7229567+ c W95 FAT32 (LBA)
```

There is some U disk information in the log ,prove the system has recognized U disk."/dev/sda" is device node.Can be seen that U disk has been divide the sda1partition.

2. Mount the first partition.

#mount /dev/sda1 /mnt #df



```
root@cubietruck:~# mount /dev/sda1
                                      /mnt
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~# df
Filesystem
               1K-blocks
                             Used Available Use% Mounted on
                                      292448 68% /
rootfs
                   955016
                           614056
                                              68% /
/dev/root
                   955016
                           614056
                                      292448
devtmpfs
                  1023636
                                               0% /dev
                                0
                                     1023636
tmpfs
                   131072
                              212
                                      130860
                                               1% /run
                                               0% /run/lock
tmpfs
                     5120
                                0
                                        5120
                                               0% /run/shm
tmpfs
                                0
                   131072
                                      131072
tmpfs
                  1048576
                               88
                                     1048488
                                               1% /tmp
                                              68% /var/log.hdd
/dev/root
                   955016
                           614056
                                      292448
ramlog-tmpfs
                             3316
                                      258828
                                                2% /var/log
                   262144
/dev/sda1
                  7215440 5886852
                                     1328588 82% /mnt
```

If has no the wrong log ,prove mount successfully. The hardpoint can be read and write data now.

3. Unmount device.

#umount /mnt

5.2. Mouse and keyboard

debian-server support most USB mouse and keyboard. If appear garbled words , you can modify the keyboard configuration according to the following link.

http://docs.cubieboard.org/tutorials/common/set_keyboard_language

6. SATA

Access to the 2.5 inches HDD ,if the HDD make a sound ,prove it is power supply shortage , need to check the power adapter current more than 2A.

Access to the 3.5 inches HDD,need extra power supply 12V to hard disk .Refer to http://cubieboard.org/2013/09/24/how-to-support-3-5-inch-hdd-on-cubieboard/

The executable script "/root/sata-install.sh" can formatting SATA hard disk,and copy the rootfs to hard disk .Because the rootfs in the hard disk,the storage space become larger and boot time become fast start-up.

Note: The script will do formatting operation.



7. Audio

7.1. HDMI

CubieTruck debian-server can't support HDMI sound card at present.

7.2. EARPHONE

1. Modify "/etc/asound.conf", switch the sound for earphone voice output.

vi /etc/asound.conf

```
pcm.!default {
  type hw
  card 1
  device 0
  }
  ctl.!default {
  type hw
  card 1
  }
```

above all "card 1 "shoulde be changed to " card 0", and then reboot systerm.

2. use "speaker-test" test the audio voice

\$speaker-test -twav -c2



```
root@cubietruck:~# speaker-test -twav -c2
speaker-test 1.0.25
Playback device is default
Stream parameters are 48000Hz, S16_LE, 2 channels
WAV file(s)
Rate set to 48000Hz (requested 48000Hz)
Buffer size range from 4096 to 32768
Period size range from 1024 to 8192
Using max buffer size 32768
Periods = 4
was set period_size = 8192
was set buffer_size = 32768
0 - Front Left
1 - Front Right
Time per period = 2.400074
0 - Front Left
1 - Front Right
```

8. WIFI

The WIFI driver has been load .If no, manual load

1. Loading WIFI driver.

\$sudo modprobe bcmdhd

2. Modify the network configuration.

\$sudo vi /etc/network/interfaces

Add the following content

auto wlan0
iface wlan0 inet dhcp
pre-up ip link set wlan0 up
pre-up iwconfig wlan0 essid your-ssid-here
wpa-ssid your-ssid-here
wpa-psk your-passwd-here



Note:

your-ssid-here: WIFI name your-passwd-here: password

Use "ifconfig -a " can the network card information .If wireless network card is the corresponding wlan1 ,replace wlan0 for wlan1.

3. Disconnect the ethernet cable and reboot the system .If can't get the IP after reboot,

#ifconfig wlan0 down
#ifconfig wlan0 up
#/etc/init.d/networking restart

Note: If wireless network card is the corresponding wlan1, replace wlan0 for wlan1.

9. OTG

9.1. Flash

The OTG port is use to re-flash image into the nand through a upgrade cable. The re-flash image can boot the system again when the system have been damaged.

9.2. Host function

Using a extend data cable ,OTG port can be expanded into a USB port ,used for connect mouse $\$ keyboard $\$ U disk .

9.3. Device function

Using a OTG cable ,connect the OTG port and USB port of PC host ,can mount the storage partition on PC host like the U disk ,achieve read and write data . The default mount the first partition of storage partition α , can change the partition you want to mount .

To mount U disk or HDD ,type:



#rmmod g_mass_storage

#modprobe g_mass_storage file=/dev/sda1 removable=yes stall=0

To mount partition 2 of nand flash ,type:

#rmmod g_mass_storage

#modprobe g_mass_storage file=/dev/nandb removable=yes stall=0

Note:

- 1)When mount the /dev/nandb or /dev/mmcblk0p2 on PC host ,should insert the OTG cable before execute the command ,Otherwise will damage the rootfs (file system in / dev/nandb or /dev/mmcblk0p2),lead to fail mount operation .Mount the first partition (/dev/nanda or / dev/mmcblk0p1 has no such problem.
- 2)To mount the storage partition on the Windows ,the storage partition should be formatting format that can be recognized by Windows system .
- 3)Don't execute the command : modprobe g_mass_storage file=/dev/* removable=y_stall=0 which will damage the rootfs system .
- 4)When OTG cable be inserted the board ,it is maybe appear didn't reflect possible case in PC host .Keep inserting OTG cable ,use above command to unload the driver and reload the driver to solve the problem .Or try to dial the plug cable once or twice.

9.4. Power supply

Using a OTG cable ,connet the OTG port and USB port of PC host ,can play a role of temporary power supply .The current of USB port only a few hundred ma ,which mayby cause the system not stable and power supply shortage .So it is no recommend use OTG port power supply .

10. Keys

10.1. PWER key

Long press PWER key more than 6s will cause power outages when the system is running . Long press PWER key more than 1s will cause automatically boot when the system is power off."pmu1_para" configuration define the PWER key power outages and boot time in



"sys_config.fex".

10.2. REST key

Press, hardware immediately restart.

10.3. FEL key

When flash the nand flash image ,press the FEL key ,insert the OTG cable to enter the flash mode .For more ,see the flash image document.

11. IR

The IR driver has been loading by default . Tpye :

keybinder /dev/input/event0

Press the infrared remote controler, print as the figure below:

```
root@cubietruck:~# keybinder /dev/input/event0
Reading key input from /dev/input/event0 (sunxi-ir)
Loaded config items
Keycode 85 pressed
Keycode 85 pressed
Keycode 85 pressed
Keycode 85 pressed
```

By above may know,the keycode of pressed key is "85".Know the keycode ,you can use it to execute the command .For example :

#echo "85,shutdown -h now" >>/etc/keybinder.conf

The keycode of the key is "85", command is "shutdown -h now",or directly modify the "/etc/keybinder.conf",add several configuration in it .Press the keys ,can execute the command.



12. Battery

Connect a lithium-ion battery, use the following command, can see respectively: battery capacity (100 for filling), the current battery voltage, the current voltage.

```
root@cubietruck:~# cat /sys/class/power_supply/battery/capacity
99
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~# cat /sys/class/power_supply/battery/voltage_now
4105000
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~#
root@cubietruck:~# cat /sys/class/power_supply/battery/current_now
342000
root@cubietruck:~#
```

13. LED

13.1. Blue LED

Trigger of blue $\,$ led is defined as "heartbeat", used for indicator system is running .

cat /sys/class/leds/blue\:ph21\:led2/trigger

none battery-charging-or-full battery-charging battery-full battery-charging-blink-full-solid aconline usb-online mmc0 timer [heartbeat] backlight gpio cpu0 cpu1 default-on

Turn off LED

#echo none > /sys/class/leds/blue\:ph21\:led2/trigger
#echo 0 > /sys/class/leds/blue\:ph21\:led2/brightness

Turn on LED

#echo none > /sys/class/leds/blue\:ph21\:led2/trigger
#echo 1 > /sys/class/leds/blue\:ph21\:led2/brightness



13.2. Orange LED

Trigger of orange led is defined as "cpu0", used for indicator load status of cpu0.

#cat /sys/class/leds/orange\:ph20\:led2/trigger

none rfkill0 battery-charging-or-full battery-charging battery-full battery-charging-blink-full-solid ac-online usb-online mmc0 mmc1 timer heartbeat [cpu0] cpu1 default-on

Turn off LED

#echo none > /sys/class/leds/orange\:ph20\:led2/trigger
#echo 0 > /sys/class/leds/orange\:ph20\:led2/brightness

Turn on LED

#echo none > /sys/class/leds/orange\:ph20\:led2/trigger
#echo 1 > /sys/class/leds/orange\:ph20\:led2/brightness

13.3. White LED

Trigger of white led is defined as "cpu1", used for indicator load status of cpu1.

13.4. Green LED

Trigger of green led is defined as "mmc0", flashing once when a TF card insert on the board.

Other trigger: "timer "(timing flashing) > "battery-charging" > " battery-full " and so on .

Note :the modification will change to the default configuration after the reboot ,you can write the above command into "/etc/init.d/rcS" ,or modify "leds_para" section in the file name "sys_config.fex".

14. RTC

If connect the Ethernet ,the system time updates automaticly. Sometimes you need update system time manually :

Change to 11 o 'clock 11 minutes 11 seconds



#date -s 11:11:11

Change the date on November 11, 2011

#date -s 20111111

Make sure the battery has 2.5~V voltage at least, reboot or shutdown by use command , the system time updates to hardware time automaticly . After power outages , it can't updates . So you will find the hardware time is old after boot .

Common commands:

Check the hardware time

#hwclock --show

Set the hardware time

#hwclock --set --date="11/11/14 11:11"

The hardware clock and system clock synchronization

hwclock --hctosys

The system clock and hardware clock synchronization

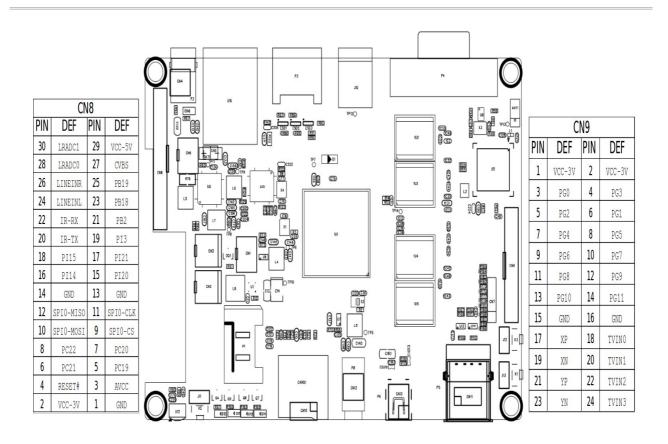
hwclock --systohc

15. Extension PIN

http://docs.cubieboard.org/a20-cubietruck gpio pin







CN8 (Near Ethernet connector) 2x15 Header



20 PB3 (IR0-TX))

Website: http://cubieboard.org
E-mail: support@cubietech.com

30	LRADC1	29	VCC-5V
28	LRADC0	27	CVBS

 26 LINEIN-R
 25 PB19(TWI1-SDA)

 24 LINEIN-L
 23 PB18(TWI1-SCK)

 22 PB4 (IR0-RX)
 21 PB2 (PWM0)

18 PI15 (PS2SDA1/EINT27) 17 PI21 (FMIN-R/PS2SDA0/UART7-RX/HSDA) 16 PI14 (PS2SCLK1/EINT26) 15 PI20 (FMIN-L/PS2SCLK0/UART7-TX/HSCL)

19 PI3 (PWM1)

14 GND 13 GND

12 PB17 (SPI2-MISO/JTAG_DI0) 11 PB15(SPI2-CLK/JTAG_CK0) 10 PB16 (SPI2-MOSI/JTAG_DO0) 9 PB14 (SPI2-CS0/JTAG_MS0)

8 PC22 (SPI2-MISO/EINT15)
 6 PC21 (SPI2-MOSI/EINT14)
 7 PC20 (SPI2-CLK)
 5 PC19 (SPI2-CS0)

4 RESET# 3 AVCC 2 3.3V 1 GND

CN9 (Near USB Ports) CSI1/TS/TP/TVIN

		0011/10/1		
1	3.3V	2	3.3	3V

3 PG0 (TS1_CLK/CSI1-PCLK) 4 PG3 (TS1_ERR/CSI1-VSYNC) 5 PG2 (TS1_SYNC/CSI1-HSYNC) 6 PG1 (TS1_DVLD/CSI1-MCLK)

7 PG4 (TS1_D0/CSI1-D0) 8 PG5 (TS1_D1/CSI1-D1)

9 PG6 (TS1_D2/CSI1-D2/UART3-TX)
 10 PG7 (TS1_D3/CSI1-D3/UART3-RX)
 11 PG8 (TS1_D4/CSI1-D4/UART3-RTS)
 12 PG9 (TS1_D5/CSI1-D5/UART3-CTS)
 13 PG10 (TS1_D6/CSI1-D6/UART4-TX)
 14 PG11 (TS1_D7/CSI1-D7/UART4-RX)

15 GND 16 GND

Analog

17 XP-I2SDO118 TVIN0-I2SMCLK19 XN-I2SDO220 TVIN1-BTPCMCLK21 YP-I2SDO322 TVIN2-BTPCMSYNC23 XN-BTPCMIN24 TVIN3-BTPCMOUT