QEMU'ing up a storm

Why QEMU is pretty goddamn awesome!

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- Nominally do payment security stuff i.e PCI...
- Sometimes do silly stuff
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How I got to QEMU



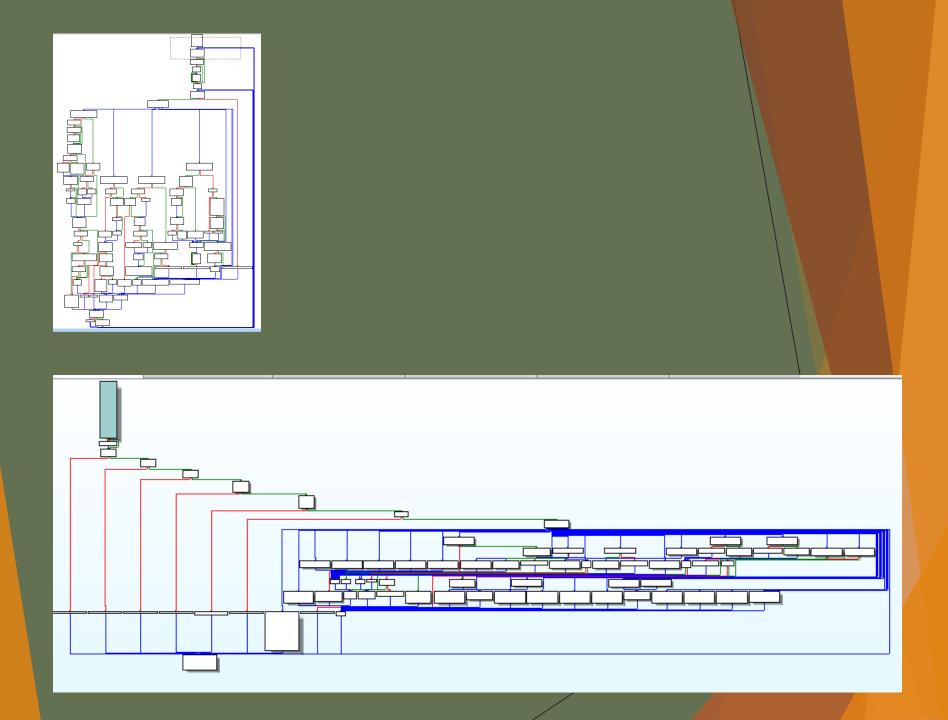








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QEMU

- "Quick Emulator"
- Originally written by Fabrice Bellard
- ► That dude is scary good, you've heard of:
 - ► FFMPEG
 - ► 4G LTE Base Station http://bellard.org/lte/
 - LZEXE !?! http://bellard.org/lzexe.html

http://bellard.org/

QEMU - Why so fast?

- Dynamic translation of target instructions to host.
- Completely written in C
- Uses TCG Tiny Code Generator to generate RISC like instructions.
- These are then compiled dynamically for the host.
- ► So, speeeeed.

What can you use it for?

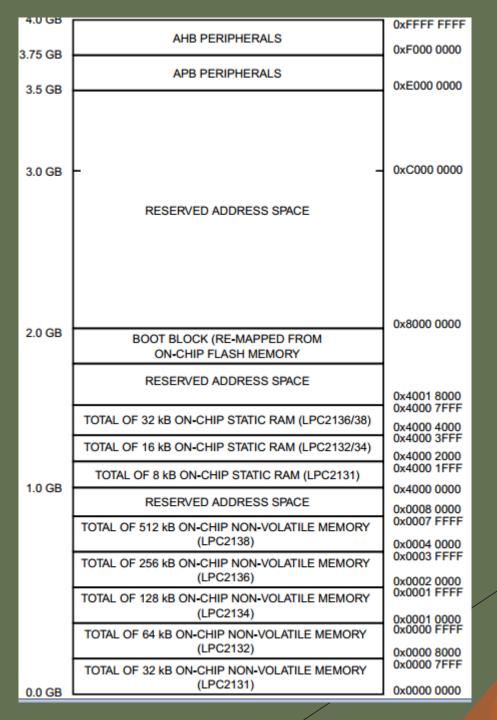
- User Mode Emulation emulate a program compiled in another language directly on the host.
- System Emulation emulate a complete system
- Kernel-based Virtual Machine stuff
- Xen Hosting stuff

What can I emulate?

PC (x86 or x86_64 processor)	Luminary Micro LM3S811EVB (ARM Cortex-M3)
PREP (PowerPC processor)	Luminary Micro LM3S6965EVB (ARM Cortex-M3)
ISA PC (old style PC without PCI bus)	Freescale MCF5208EVB (ColdFire V2).
G3 Beige PowerMac (PowerPC processor)	Arnewsh MCF5206 evaluation board (ColdFire V2).
Mac99 PowerMac (PowerPC processor, in progress)	Palm Tungsten E PDA (OMAP310 processor)
Sun4m/Sun4c/Sun4d (32-bit Sparc processor)	N800 and N810 tablets (OMAP2420 processor)
Sun4u/Sun4v (64-bit Sparc processor, in progress)	MusicPal (MV88W8618 ARM processor)
Malta board (32-bit and 64-bit MIPS processors)	Gumstix "Connex" and "Verdex" motherboards (PXA255/270).
MIPS Magnum (64-bit MIPS processor)	Siemens SX1 smartphone (OMAP310 processor)
ARM Integrator/CP (ARM)	AXIS-Devboard88 (CRISv32 ETRAX-FS).
ARM Versatile baseboard (ARM)	Spitz, Akita, Borzoi, Terrier and Tosa PDAs (PXA270 processor)
ARM RealView Emulation/Platform baseboard (ARM)	Petalogix Spartan 3aDSP1800 MMU ref design (MicroBlaze).

Why can't I just QEMU out of the box?

- QEMU is set out of the box for running OS's
- However my image has no OS it's bare metal
- I know I have an ARM so copy the "versitilePB.c" to "vivotech.c" - and add to make files
- Read QEMU code get jealous as its pretty good - "self documenting"
- Make some stupid errors!



Initializing your RAM

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28 #define VIVOTECH_RAM_ADDR 0x40000000
29 #define VIVOTECH_RAM_SIZE (64 * 1024)
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Initializing your ROM

```
25 #define VIVOTECH_FLASH_ADDR 0x00000000
26 #define VIVOTECH_FLASH_SIZE (512 * 1024)
27 #define VIVOTECH_FLASH_SECT_SIZE 512
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dinfo = drive_get(IF_PFLASH, 0, 0);
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        if (!pflash_cfi01_register(VIVOTECH_FLASH_ADDR, NULL, "vivotech.flash",
249
                              VIVOTECH_FLASH_SIZE,
                              dinfo ? blk_by_legacy_dinfo(dinfo) : NULL,
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                              VIVOTECH_FLASH_SECT_SIZE,
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                              VIVOTECH_FLASH_SIZE / VIVOTECH_FLASH_SECT_SIZE,
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                              4, 0x0089, 0x0018, 0x0000, 0x0, 0)) {
254
            fprintf(stderr, "gemu: Error registering flash memory.\n");
255
        }
256
```

Shell Code for ROM functions

```
//shim for IAP function on the LPC213x

void iapfunction()

{
    asm("ldr r1,[r0]");
    asm("cmp r1, #54");
    asm("ldr r2, [pc,#12]");
    asm("str r2, [r4,#4]");
    register unsigned long *commandparameter asm("r0");
    register unsigned long *commandresult asm("r4");
    commandresult[0] = 0x00; //always return 0

if(commandparameter[0] == 0x36){
        commandresult[1] = 0x2FF25; //LPC2138 part id
    }
}
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37 char iapcode[41] = {
38 0x01,0x68,0x36,0x29,
39 0xc0,0x46,0xc0,0x46,
40 0xc0,0x46,0xc0,0x46,
41 0xc0,0x46,0xc0,0x46,
42 0x03,0xd1,0x03,0x4a,
43 0x62,0x60,0x70,0x47,
44 0xc0,0x46,0x70,0x47,
45 0xc0,0x46,0xc0,0x46,
46 0x25,0xff,0x02,0x00};
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memory_region_init_ram(iap, NULL, "vivotech.iap", 0x2000,
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                              &error_abort);
144
        vmstate_register_ram_global(iap);
145
        memory_region_add_subregion(sysmem, 0x7FFFF000, iap);
146
        //copy data into the memory address
147
        char *ramptr = (char *)memory_region_get_ram_ptr(iap);
148
        if(ramptr != NULL)
            memcpy(ramptr+0xFF0, iapcode, sizeof(iapcode));
149
```

QEMU Command Line

1 qemu-system-arm -M vivotech -pflash flash.img -m 32k -nographic -S -s

- -M = machine in this case its our vivotech platform
- -pflash = our binary flash image
- -m = guest ram (in our case 32k)
- -nographic = no display
- -S = freeze CPU at startup
- -s = start the GDB server

So why not just use hardware?

- Full control over execution can single step, read memory, insert code anywhere.
- Hardware may not have debugging enabled.
- Hardware may be slow and resource constrained
- Can run multiple instances on the same machine

Future Stuff I want to do

- Convince SoC vendors to ship their own QEMU image platforms for testing.
- Use QEMU to set up fuzzing farms for embedded systems
- Slowly working on implementing basic crash handler for embedded arm systems