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You could use nRF Connect SDK (often referred as NCS), it is Nordic Semiconductor SDK based on zephyr. It has additional features that could be useful for pinetime, namely bluetooth modules and bluetooth services. Important to mention that even though, NCS forks zephyr it is kept close to it and it is regularly updated to latest zephyr (typically every 2-3 weeks).

NCS is using BSD-5-Clause-Nordic license (<https://github.com/NordicPlayground/fw-nrfconnect-nrf/blob/master/LICENSE>) which is why I did not use their samples.

(see also : bluetooth serial communication)

ZEPHYR SMARTWATCH FRAMEWORK

Suppose you want to build a cycling computer quickly. You need : - bluetooth - a touchscreen - a button - time (clock) - a method of setting the clock - wireless firmware updating - timer functions - power saving - battery management - several graphical screens, with buttons graphics

You could start from scratch, or use a framework and only add the stuff you need for your cycling computer : - cadence sensor - display speed - record speed

Suppose you have an idea for a portable device, before running to the shop to buy a dev-board, develop hardware You could use the framework as a starting point, since it supports a virtual posix-board.

this document started off **in** setting up zephyr RTOS on the PineTime smartwatch.

<https://wiki.pine64.org/index.php/PineTime>

It evolved to accomodate other nordic nrf52832 based watches (Desay D6....) **and** a **↳**Virtual watch (native_posix_64)

Zephyr allows **for** hardware abstraction. The framework **is not** limited to Nordic nrf52. In theory : compiling **with** a different board definition file should be enough. (minor **↳**changes might be necessary - see the button sample)

The virtual watch lets you create **and** debug software without a watch nor a debugprobe. **↳** (=cheap)

There exist a lot of cheap (chinese) watches based on Nordic microcontrollers. The hardware will probably differ, but **with** minor adjustments it should be possible **↳**to adapt the framework.

the approach **in** this manual **is** to get quick results :

- minimal effort install
- **try** out the samples
- inspire you to modify **and** enhance

The masterpiece **is** the firmware toolkit. Since it **is** a big chunk of code, you might be lost.

The samples **in** the /app directory, contain parts of the toolkit. Like building blocks, which form the final firmware.

suggestion :

- follow the Zephyr installation instructions
- try some examples

- if you like it copy the /app directory for some more fun



HOWTO USE THE FRAMEWORK ?

3.1 Boards

This framework is build around 3 watches :

- desay D6
- pinetime
- simulated X86

Each of these watches has its own board definition file.

While using the framework for a different setup, you will need a specific board definition file. This can easily be created, modifying an existing one.

3.2 Complexity

As you add more features, the complexity and(!) code increases.

An incremental approach has been used : from simple to more complex.

- oswatch
- oswatch-cts
- oswatch-bt
- oswatch-calendar
- oswatch-lowpower
- oswatch-battery
- oswatch-fota

(each extends the functionality of the previous one)

3.3 Samples

As the firmware can be a bit overwhelming, a sample directory is provided. These samples can be installed and tested. Their purpose is to clarify certain functionality. Suppose you want to know how to use bluetooth notification, you can compile/install/use the smaller sample.

3.4 Bluetooth

(oswatch-cts) (oswatch-bt)

I have used Bluez on linux, and python scripts to communicate with the watch.

Maybe there are other ways (android), but you would probably need to write apps or are limited to the functionality of existing apps.

The python scripts can easily be extended and provide a good way to automate the communication process (eg when you need to communicate with multiple watches or in case of the internet of things)

3.5 Power saving

(oswatch-battery)

Power saving makes sense when the device is battery operated, which is probably not always the case.

3.6 Updating over the air

(oswatch-fota)

Firmware updating over the air in zephyr should be failsafe. As a consequence you need space for 2 images. 1 working and 1 updating. If the update process fails, you can carry on.

The space can be a challenge if you do not have extra flash memory. ($512 / 2 = 256$)

THE IDEA BEHIND THE FRAMEWORK

I adapted the pinetime hypnos firmware to run on the Desay D6 smartwatch.

This watch has a small (128x32) oled display and is rather minimalistic.

It does not have a touchscreen, but a single touch button.

One cannot run the software of a feature-rich smartwatch on a simple one. But the reverse can be done.

4.1 Building blocks

A smartwatch has drivers for motion sensors, bluetooth, HR sensor, a battery, a screen, uses a clock, sets the clock, has a button. . .

If all put together, you'll end up with the firmware and a big chunk of code.

This project explores features separately, in the “samples” directory.

Reading out a button, how is it done? How do you make a distinction between click, double click, long press? You can find this in the samples directory. These resembles building blocks or modules.

The oswatch-xxxx directories assemble some of the building blocks.

The oswatch-cts shows how the time is set with bluetooth, but also uses the button, the screen, the clock.

Oswatch-full would include everything.

For your own project you can choose the oswatch-template which suits you most.

4.2 Screen

The OLED screen can only display a few lines. This is used as a basis for screen layout.

Multiple screens can be displayed, but each screen has little info.

4.3 Touchscreen

Although the LVGL graphics library offers touchscreen support and the Pinetime watch has a touchscreen, the emphasis was put on the side button. Most watches have a button.

Selecting a screen and a parameter on the screen is done with the button instead of the touchscreen.

4.4 Heart rate sensor

Most heart rate sensors have a light sensor and an LED. Instead of trying to get a heart rate out of it. Emphasis was put on reading out the light sensor and controlling the LED.

This way my cheap oled watch can be used to read out LED signals, and thus be used as a communication device.

The LED cannot be controlled independently on the pinetime. Suppose you want to use the lightsensor without the led, it is not possible.

4.5 Bluetooth

Setting time and timers or other parameters is a nuisance on a small device. It is far more easier to set/read parameters on a linux box or android device and transfer them to the smartwatch.

The easiest would be to use bluetooth UART, this is not a part of the open source zephyr (apache 2 license) , but belongs to Nordic. (which supply their own version of zephyr)

The idea I will explore is to use 2 bluetoothservices, one to request and one to supply the value of a parameter.

Bluetooth is used to set the time (CTS) current time service.

4.6 Power saving

Power saving makes sense when the device is battery operated, which is probably not always the case. Hence, power saving is an option.

4.7 Updating over the air

FOTA : firmware updating over the air, is a useful option. The way firmware updates work, is to have two firmware images on the device. In the case of the cheap OLED device, there is no extra memory to store firmware images. Hence, FOTA is an option.

4.8 Motion sensor

The motion is used as a stepcounter, but could be used for other purposes as well. Knock sensor, position sensor, movement detection ... emphasis is put on reading out the sensor rather than processing the data.

4.9 Drivers

Creating drivers takes a lot of time. Chances are that a specific driver does not exist for zephyr, or that the standard one does not work fully.

To overcome this problem a zephyr driver that resembles the needed driver is adapted and placed out of tree. In some cases I have not even bothered to change the name. The max30101 lightsensor is not present in the smartwatches I worked with, but it exists as a driver that can easily be adapted. In zephyr this means that the board definition files need to refer to this driver as well. Board definition has to be placed out of tree as well.

INSTALL ZEPHYR

5.1 update on 31-12-2020

Pinetime has become part of the standard zephyr distribution!

These days you can install zephyr and execute a pinetime sample!

```
west build -p -b pinetime_devkit0 samples/boards/pine64_pinetime
```

5.2 How to install zephyr

https://docs.zephyrproject.org/latest/getting_started/index.html

the documentation describes an installation process under Ubuntu/macOS/Windows

5.3 How to install the open source watch frame kit

The kit should work alongside the zephyr installation. Just get a copy of the “app” directory.

```
<work>  /app
        |---/zephyr
        |---.....
```

the app-directory contains the drivers and source code and(!) modified board definitions.

5.4 Linux rules

The development has been done on a virtual linux machine. For testing bluetooth functionality, I have used linux as well. In this manual you’ll find a procedure to communicate to the device from a linux box. Updating the firmware wireless? Possible from a linux box!

Suppose you want to measure how many steps employees do a day? You could readout everything using a linux box, and handle the data using all the available tools of the box.

TIP : sometimes you run into trouble compiling: removing the build directory can help in that case

OUT OF TREE

A technique used in `zephyr/samples/application-development`, is “out of tree” development.

When you tinker with watches, you will soon find out that not all the drivers exist.

You can adapt existing zephyr drivers, but placing them within the zephyr repository could cause issues (upgrading zephyr).

The samples provided contain the board definition and the drivers within their directory outside the zephyr directory.

Have a look at the samples, on how it is done.

```
All the development, board definition files, drivers are contained in the "app"
↳directory.
Copy this directory alongside the zephyr rtos repository, and it should work.
No extra configuration needed.
You can use the latest Zephyr distribution.
```

6.1 Top Tip:

Adapting an existing driver is easier than writing one from scratch. In the Kconfig you just set another name : instead of `SSD1306`, you use `SSD1306NEW`. You might need to adapt the board definition file `<watch>.dts` as well. Zephyr stitches together parts based on labels. Make sure they match.

7.1 Display Types

There are three types of display included.

- a st7789 color display used in the pinetime
- a monochrome SSD1306 OLED display used in the desay D6
- a on-screen display SDL simulated on linux

7.1.1 Several methods of using the display

Included in the zephyr distribution are : - the Little Graphics Library (LVGL) - Character frame buffer (cfb)

For the pinetime the LVGL library might be a good option, since it has a big screen, colors and (!) is touch sensitive.

For the DS-D6 which has a monochrome OLED small display, the character frame buffer could be the best option.

7.1.2 The human eye

You can print something to the serial port, use the Segger RTT, but having a sample which displays something on the screen is the equivalent of blinking a LED.

Instead of the blinky blinking the LED, most samples include the screen.

STARTING WITH SOME BASIC APPLICATIONS

The best way to get a feel of zephyr for the smartwatch, is to start building applications.

The watch framework is under /app.

The framework contains a clock, bluetooth, a procedure to upgrade over the air, cts ...

To reduce the complexity, samples are provided. Each sample contains a single feature of the framework.

8.1 Push the button

- A button for the posix simulation watch, is a lvgl push button.
- A button for the pinetime is a real button, which needs 2 (!) gpio ports
- A button for the Desay D6 is a real button, which needs 1 gpio port.

To complicate matters, a button on the pinetime can be both an lvgl button and a real gpio-enabled button.

Using a framework, which would suit these watches, needs to distinguish between the boards (use a condition with parameter : CONFIG_BOARD)

8.2 posix

8.2.1 Building and Running

The “native_posix_64” board is your own linux-box. This means that you can execute the code on your system. You do not need a smartwatch.

```
west build -p -b native_posix_64 samples/button/sdlbutton
```

running : ./build/zephyr/zephyr.exe

8.3 pinetime

8.3.1 Building and Running

```
west build -p -b pinetime_devkit1 samples/button/pinebutton
```

running : west flash

Reading out the button on the watch

```
The pinetime does have a button on the side.  
The desay D6 has a touchbutton in front.  
The virtual POSIX watch has a touchbutton
```

Note:: The pinetime watch has a button out port (15) and button in port (13). You have to set the out-port high. Took me a while to figure this out...

LITTLEVGL BASIC SAMPLE

9.1 Overview

This sample application displays “Hello World” in the center of the screen and a counter at the bottom which increments every second.

LittlevGL is a free and open-source graphics library providing everything you need to create embedded GUI with easy-to-use graphical elements, beautiful visual effects and low memory footprint.

9.2 Simulation

In order to avoid uploading to check what the display looks like, there is a simple way to simulate this. I’ve tested this on Ubuntu 18.04 64bit. You’ll need the SDL2 library.

```
west build -p -b native_posix_64 samples/display/lvgl
```

after the building, you can find build/zephyr/zephyr.exe (and execute this to see display-layout)

the sample is provided as samples/display/lvgl-posix

9.3 Pinetime

The program has been modified to light up the background leds.

TIP: matching label : DISPLAY

```
Matching labels are necessary!  
pinetime.conf:CONFIG_LVGL_DISPLAY_DEV_NAME="DISPLAY"  
pinetime.overlay:          label = "DISPLAY"; (spi definition)
```

9.4 Building and Running

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/lvgl
```

9.4.1 modifying the font size :

```
west build -t menuconfig
```

goto:

- additional libraries
- lvgl gui library

(look for fonts, and adapt according to your need)

9.4.2 apply changes of the changed config:

```
west build
```

(instead of west build -p (pristine) which wipes out your customisation)

9.5 References

<https://docs.littlevgl.com/en/html/index.html>

LittlevGL Web Page: <https://littlevgl.com/>

REAL TIME CLOCK

The compile-time is used to set the initial time. (CMAKE file)

The elapsed time since the startup can be calculated.

Setting the exact time is done via bluetooth current time service. (oswatch-cts)

10.1 Alarm

A cool feature, once you get a clock is an alarm. (oswatch-calendar)

You can set/stop the alarm.

Once set : the value of the “timer1” parameter is added to the current time. Everytime the clock is updated, there is a check if the alarm-time has been reached.

The name (oswatch-calendar) was ambitious, but a more elaborate setup is possible using the same technique. (year month day hour minute needed as a parameter for a real calendar event)

10.2 References

CURRENT TIME SERVICE

<https://www.bluetooth.com/specifications/gatt/services/>

<https://www.bluetooth.com/specifications/gatt/characteristics/>

- 0x1805 current time service
- 0x2A2B current time characteristic

11.1 Requirements:

You need :

- a CTS server (use of bluez on linux explained, and android!)
 - start the CTS service (python script: gatt-cts-server.py provided)
 - connect to the CTS client
- a CTS client (the oswatch)

11.2 BLE Peripheral CTS sample for zephyr

This example demonstrates the basic usage of the current time service. It is based on the <https://github.com/Dejvino/pinetime-hermes-firmware>.

It starts advertising it's UUID, and you can connect to it. Once connected, it will read the time from your CTS server (bluez on linux running the gatt-cts-server script in my case)

first build the image

```
$ west build -p -b pinetime_devkit1 oswatch-cts
```

11.3 Using bluez on linux to connect

The pinetime zephyr sample behaves as a peripheral:

```
- make sure your linuxbox has bluez running (type bluetoothctl if you're not sure)
- first of all start the cts service : python gatt-cts-server.py
- connect to the pinetime with bluetoothctl
```

Using bluetoothctl:

```
#bluetoothctl
[bluetooth]#scan on

[NEW] Device 60:7C:9E:92:50:C1 Zephyr Peripheral Sample Long
once you see your device
[blueooth]#connect 60:7C:9E:92:50:C1 (the device mac address as displayed)
```

11.4 Howto use Bluez on linux to set up a time service

Within the bluez source distribution there is an example GATT (Generic Attribute Profile)server. It advertises some standard service such as heart rate, battery ... Koen zandberg adapted this script, so it advertises the current time : <https://github.com/bosmoment/gatt-cts/blob/master/gatt-cts-server.py>

You might have to install extra packages:

```
apt-get install python-dbus
apt-get install python-gi
apt-get install python-gobject
```

11.5 Howto use Android to set up a time service

As soon as a device is bonded, Pinetime will look for a CTS server (Current Time Service) on the connected device. Here is how to do it with an Android smartphone running NRFConnect:

Start NRFConnect and create a CTS server : Tap the hamburger button on the top left and select “Configure GATT server”.

Tap “Add service” on the bottom Select server configuration “Current Time Service” (0x1805)

Here is for a manual time setup : add the Current Time 0x2A2B characteristic : in the intial value field add 0x141505130B0D which corresponds to (2021 year 05 month 19 day 11hours 13 minutes)

A device called “PineTime” or “DSD6”, or whichever name you gave it, should appear.

Tap the button “Connect” next to the PineTime device.

Disconnect and the newly set time should appear.

12.1 configuring I2C

12.1.1 board level definitions

under boards/arm/pinetime are the board definitions

- pinetime.dts
- pinetime_defconfig

The sensors **in** the pinetime use the I2C bus.

```
&i2c1 {  
    compatible = "nordic,nrf-twi";  
    status = "okay";  
    sda-pin = <6>;  
    scl-pin = <7>;  
  
};
```

12.1.2 definition on project level

In the directory of a sample, you will find a prj.conf file. Here you can set values specific for you project/sample.

In the "prj.conf" file we define the sensor (eg adxl372)

```
CONFIG_STDOUT_CONSOLE=y  
CONFIG_LOG=y  
CONFIG_I2C=y  
CONFIG_SENSOR=y  
CONFIG_ADXL372=y  
CONFIG_ADXL372_I2C=y  
CONFIG_SENSOR_LOG_LEVEL_WRN=y
```

note: this gets somehow merged (overlaid) with the board definition pinetime_defconfig

12.2 SSD1306 modification

12.2.1 board level definitions

The desay D6 OLED display gets its power through a GPIO pin.

In the board definition file one can set it high.

Some minor adjustment in board.c was needed.

```
under boards/arm/ds_d6 are the board definitions
- ds_d6.dts
- ds_d6_defconfig

vdd_pwr: vdd-pwr-ctrl {
    compatible = "regulator-fixed";
    label = "vdd-pwr-ctrl";
    regulator-name = "vdd-pwr-ctrl";
    enable-gpios = <&gpio0 26 GPIO_ACTIVE_HIGH>;
    regulator-boot-on;
};
```

The driver has been placed “out of tree”. It is a modified ssd1306 driver. The ssd1306 behaved somewhat differently. It was renamed to ssd1306new to avoid confusion. In the board definition file the label was adapted.

```
ssd1306new@0 {
    compatible = "solomon,ssd1306fb";
    spi-max-frequency = <80000000>;
    label = "SSD1306NEW";
    reg = <0>;
    segment-offset = <0>;
    page-offset = <0>;
    display-offset = <0>;
    multiplex-ratio = <31>;
    height = <32>;
    width = <128>;
    segment-remap;
    prechargep = <0xF1>;
    reset-gpios = <&gpio0 4 0>;
    data_cmd-gpios = <&gpio0 28 0>;
};
```

12.2.2 definition config

In the "ds_d6_defconfig" file we define the driver

```
CONFIG_LVGL_DISPLAY_DEV_NAME="SSD1306NEW"
CONFIG_SSD1306NEW=y
```

12.3 sensors on the I2C bus

0x18: Accelerometer: BMA423-DS000 <https://github.com/BoschSensortec/BMA423-Sensor-API>

0x44: Heart Rate Sensor: HRS3300_Heart

0x15: Touch Controller: Hynitron CST816S Touch Controller

12.4 Bosch BMA421

this driver does not exist, so it has been created. Still work in progress

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/gui/lvaccel
```

12.4.1 Overview

BMA421 is not a part number available to the general public, and therefore all the supporting documentation and design resources are neither discussed in public forums, nor disclosed on GitHub.

CHIP_ID=0X11 (so the Bosch BMA423 drivers need to be adapted)

The Bosch documentation on the bma423 seems to apply to the bma421.

12.4.2 Requirements

for this sensor does not exist any driver, so here's what I did to create one under zephyr

adapt CMakeLists.txt

```
~/zephyrproject-2/zephyr/drivers/sensor      add_subdirectory_ifdef(CONFIG_BMA280      bma280)
add_subdirectory_ifdef(CONFIG_BMA421 bma421)
```

adapt Kconfig

```
~/zephyrproject-2/zephyr/drivers/sensor
```

add yaml file

```
~/zephyrproject-2/zephyr/dts/bindings/sensor cp bosch,bma280-i2c.yaml bosch,bma421-i2c.yaml
```

edit KConfig

```
source "drivers/sensor/bma280/Kconfig" source "drivers/sensor/bma421/Kconfig"
source "drivers/sensor/bmc150_magn/Kconfig"
source "drivers/sensor/bme280/Kconfig"
```

create driver

see under drivers/sensor/bma421

complement the pinetime.dts file with the following (under samples/sensor/bma280)

```
&i2c1 {
    bma421@18 {
        compatible = "bosch,bma421";
        reg = <0x18>;
        label = "BMA421";
        int1-gpios = <&gpio0 8 0>;
    };
};
```

Create a file: `/dts/bindings/sensor/bosch,bma421-i2c.yaml`. Which contains:

```
compatible: "bosch,bma421"
include: i2c-device.yaml
properties:
    int1-gpios:
        type: phandle-array
        required: false
```

12.4.3 Building and Running

12.4.4 Todo

- the driver is interrupt driven as well – need to test software
- the sensor has algorithm for steps – read out register
- temperature some attempt has been made, but ... (OK, temp can be read)

12.4.5 References

Bosch has documented the BMA423 very well. I kind of hope it will apply to the bma421.

A mechanism to adapt the 0x5E register is provided. (burst read/write)

All kind of parameters can be set to trigger an interrupt. (e.g. number of steps taken : think of the 10000 steps threshold)

12.5 HYNITRON CST816S

Zephyr has evolved and now there is something that serve as a touchscreen device. (KSCAN_TOUCH)

the board definition file has been adapted slightly, using the focaltech ft5336 as a touch_controller. A minor change in this driver is enough to get data from the hynitron cst816S.

The big advantage : almost standard zephyr install! Unfortunately I cannot get the KSCAN_TOUCH working in an out-of-tree setup.

I have created the renamed ft9999 driver.

```
west build -p -b pinetime_devkit0 samples/display/lvgl
```

this driver does not exist, so it has been created. Still work in progress

12.5.1 Overview

(this is the old way of doing things)

the Hynitron cst816s is a touchscreen. Zephyr doesn't handle touchscreens yet. In order to investigate, the touchscreen driver has been created as a sensor. In fact it senses your finger ;)

12.5.2 Requirements

for this sensor does not exist any driver, so here's what I did to create one under zephyr

adapt CMakeLists.txt adapt Kconfig add yaml file

create driver

The driver reads only one position. Multitouch is possible, but the screen is small....

see under drivers/sensor/cst816s

have a look at the pinetime.dts (under board/arm/pinetime) file:

```
&i2c1 {
    cst816s@15 {
        compatible = "hynitron,cst816s";
        reg = <0x15>;
        label = "CST816S";
    };
};
```

12.5.3 Building and Running

There are two samples :

- samples/gui/lvtouch (graphical)
- samples/sensor/cst816s (no graphics)

12.5.4 Todo

The graphical sample doesn't handle interrupts.

12.5.5 References

There is little available for this touchscreen.

12.6 HX HRS3300

this driver does not exist, so it has been created. Still work in progress

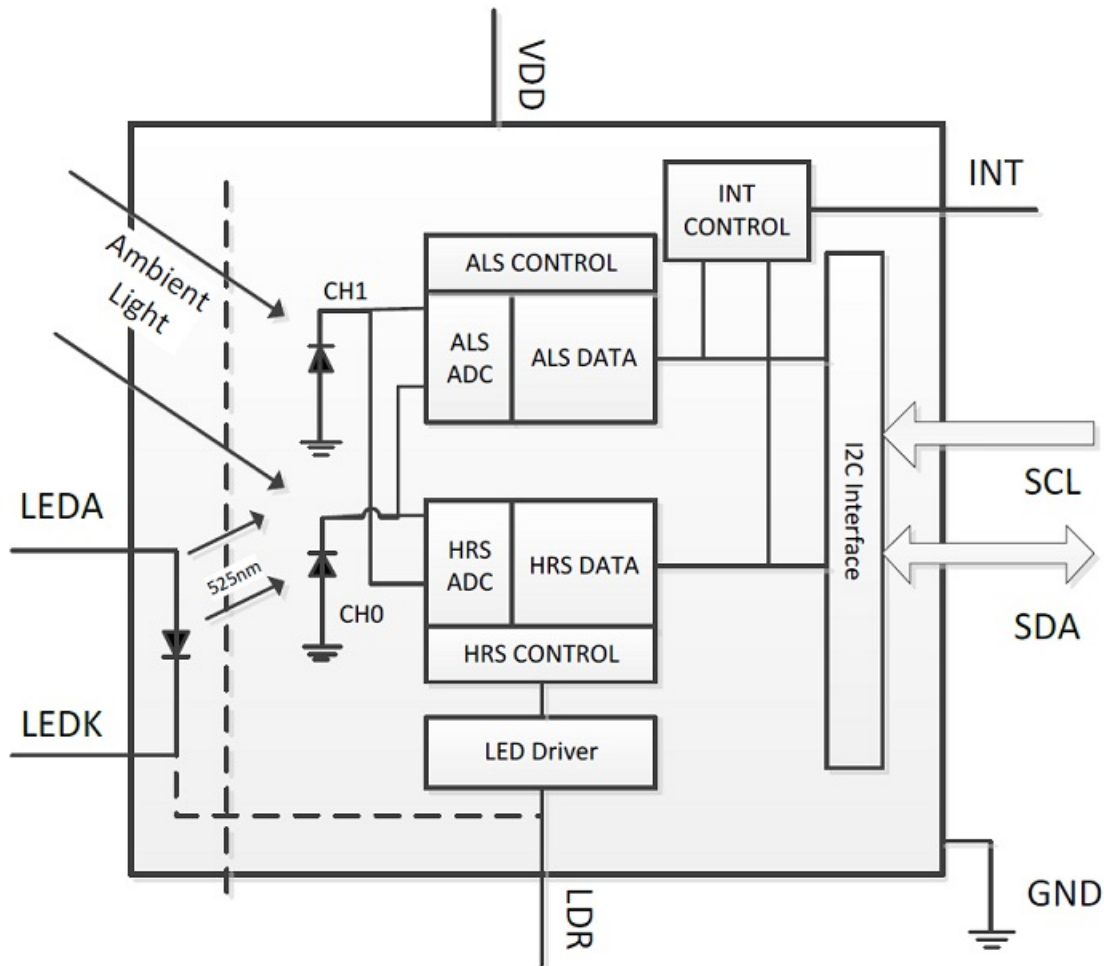
there is a sample in this repository which can be copied to the zephyr samples directory

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/sensor/hrs3300
```

12.6.1 Overview

The HX HRS3300 sensor is a heart rate sensor, it produces 2 values: ALS and HRS. Ambient LIGHT SENSOR and HEART RATE SENSOR. Which have to be processed by an algorithm. I have no knowledge of a good open source algorithm yet.

I have used the settings of an arduino port of this library.



12.6.2 Requirements

for this sensor does not exist any driver, so here's what I did to create one under zephyr

adapt CMakeLists.txt

```
~/zephyrproject-2/zephyr/drivers/sensor add_subdirectory_ifdef(CONFIG_HRS3300 hrs3300)
```

adapt Kconfig

```
~/zephyrproject-2/zephyr/drivers/sensor
```

add yaml file

~/zephyrproject-2/zephyr/dts/bindings/sensor add hx,hrs3300.yaml

edit KConfig

source “drivers/sensor/hrs3300/Kconfig”

create driver

see under drivers/sensor/hrs3300

complement the pinetime.dts file with the following (under samples/sensor/bma280)

```
&i2c1 {
    hrs3300@44 {
        compatible = "hx,hrs3300";
        reg = <0x44>;
        label = "HRS3300";
    };
};
```

Create a file: `/dts/bindings/sensor/hx,hrs3300.yaml`. Which contains:

```
compatible: "hx,hrs3300"
properties:
```

12.6.3 Building and Running

12.6.4 Todo

- algorithm for heartrate
- power saving
- switching off/on mechanism

12.6.5 References

HRS3300 Heart Rate Sensor.pdf <https://github.com/atc1441/HRS3300-Arduino-Library>

12.7 Serial Nor Flash

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/drivers/spi_flash -DCONF=prj.conf
```


12.7.1 Overview

This sample application should unlock the serial nor flash memory. This can be very useful to store e.g. background for the watch.

compilation problematic

```
/root/zephyrproject/zephyr/samples/drivers/spi_flash/src/main.c:17:22: error: 'DT_INST_0_JEDEC_SPI_NOR_LABEL' undeclared (first use in this function); did you mean 'DT_INST_0_NORDIC_NRF_RTC_LABEL'?
```

Turns out this is some problem with the board definition file.

I found it to be very useful to consult the generated dts file. Here you can check if everything is present.

Guess the dts-file has to be well intended.(structured)

****TIP: consult the generated dts board file ****

consulting the generated board definition file

```
vi /root/zephyrproject/zephyr/build/zephyr/include/generated/generated_dts_board.conf
```

12.7.2 Requirements

complement the pinetime.dts file with the following (under spi) #define JEDEC_ID_MACRONIX_MX25L64 0xC22017

```
&spi0 {
    compatible = "nordic,nrf-spi";
    status = "okay";
    sck-pin = <2>;
    mosi-pin = <3>;
    miso-pin = <4>;
    cs-gpios = <&gpio0 27 0>, <&gpio0 5 0>;
    st7789v@0 {
        compatible = "sitronix,st7789v";
        label = "DISPLAY";
        spi-max-frequency = <8000000>;
        reg = <0>;
        cmd-data-gpios = <&gpio0 18 0>;
        reset-gpios = <&gpio0 26 0>;
        width = <240>;
        height = <240>;
        x-offset = <0>;
        y-offset = <0>;
        vcom = <0x19>;
        gctrl = <0x35>;
        vrhs = <0x12>;
        vdvs = <0x20>;
        mdac = <0x00>;
        gamma = <0x01>;
        colmod = <0x05>;
        lcm = <0x2c>;
        porch-param = [0c 0c 00 33 33];
        cmd2en-param = [5a 69 02 01];
        pwctrl1-param = [a4 a1];
    }
}
```

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```
pvgam-param = [D0 04 0D 11 13 2B 3F 54 4C 18 0D 0B 1F 23];
nvgam-param = [D0 04 0C 11 13 2C 3F 44 51 2F 1F 1F 20 23];
ram-param = [00 F0];
rgb-param = [CD 08 14];

};

mx25r64: mx25r6435f@1 {
    compatible = "jedec,spi-nor";
    reg = <1>;
    spi-max-frequency = <1000000>;
    label = "MX25R64";
    jedec-id = [0b 40 16];
    size = <67108864>;
    has-be32k;
};
```

12.7.3 Building and Running

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/drivers/spi_flash
```

12.7.4 Todo

- detect ID memory : it is not the macronix one as suggestion on the pinetime website

I found the following : jedec-id = [0b 40 16]; (OK: can execute sample program)

- create working board definition (OK: see above)

12.7.5 References

<http://files.pine64.org/doc/datasheet/pinetime/MX25L6433F,%203V,%2064Mb,%20v1.6.pdf>

12.8 Battery

the samples just gets an analog reading from the battery

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/sensor/battery
```

12.8.1 Overview

The battery level is measured on port 31, trough an ADC conversion.

$\text{voltage} = (\text{value} * 6) / 1024$ percentage remaining $((\text{voltage} - 3.55) * 100) * 3.9;$

A module should be able to report battery status in millivolts and charge level in percentage. Additionally, it should notify when external power is connected and when battery is being charged. Module will use adc (saadc peripheral) to measure battery voltage and gpio driver to monitor charge indication pin (pin 0.12) and power presence pin (0.19). Battery voltage can be in range from 3.0V - 4.2V (?). Unfortunately, internal reference (0.6V) can only be used for

voltages up to 3.6V (due to minimal gain of 1/6). VDD/4 reference can be used with 1/6 gain to measure voltages up to 4.95V. Test is needed to check how accurate is VDD as reference. Discharge curve (<https://forum.pine64.org/showthread.php?tid=8147>) will be used to calculate charge level in percent. Things to consider: saadc periodical calibration (spec suggests calibration if temperature changes by 10°C) inaccuracy of results: oversampling? never report higher level than before (if charge not connected), etc.

12.8.2 Todo

check pin when charging

12.8.3 References

<https://forum.pine64.org/showthread.php?tid=8147>

12.9 Watchdog

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/drivers/watchdog
```

12.9.1 Overview

Once the pinetime is closed and on your wrist, you still want access.

see : *Firmware Over The Air (FOTA)*

Suppose you upload a application which contains a bug, the watch freezes, and ... you will have to open it up, connect the SWD ...

Here comes the watchdog:

- you launch the watchdog
- you launch the application
- the application feeds the watchdog
- if it cannot feed the watchdog, reset to fota, and you can upload another better version ...

12.9.2 Todo

testing

12.9.3 References

BLUETOOTH (BLE)

Bluetooth is a very nice feature, it lets you exchange data wireless and (!) update firmware wireless.

The PineTime uses a Nordic nrf52832 chip, which has BLE functionality build into it.

To test, you can compile a standard application : Eddy Stone.

13.1 A word on bluetooth-serial communication

Smartwatch manufacturers usually supply you with a smartwatch app. This app can communicate trough bluetooth, and get/send data to the watch.

Unfortunately this is not a standard Zephyr feature!

You could use nRF Connect SDK (often referred as NCS), it is Nordic Semiconductor SDK based on zephyr. It has additional features that could be useful for pinetime, namely bluetooth modules and bluetooth services. Important to mention that even though, NCS forks zephyr it is kept close to it and it is regularly updated to latest zephyr (typically every 2-3 weeks).

NCS has no impact on build framework and overall user experience. The only downside I can think of is that NCS is based on older version of zephyr (~2 weeks behind).

The main reason why i'm bringing it up is bluetooth shell. Zephyr has very nice shell module with multiple transports (UART, RTT). NCS extends it with bluetooth transport (using Nordic Uart Service) and host tool for using it. There is an application for linux from which you can use shell over bluetooth, get logs, etc.. It is really cool and can be very useful when playing with pinetime where you can get logs or control/tune things with only wireless connection to your PC. Here is a demonstration of bluetooth console used in one of nordic reference kits: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3KzTfr6S4pg&t=> . It's based on nRF5 SDK (not zephyr) but bluetooth shell (and PC tool) was taken from there.

The Nordic UART Service (NUS) shell transport sample demonstrates how to use the receive shell commands from a remote device.

NCS is using BSD-5-Clause-Nordic license (<https://github.com/NordicPlayground/fw-nrfconnect-nrf/blob/master/LICENSE>)

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13.2 Eddy Stone

see: bluetooth-eddystone-sample

Note: compile the provided example, so a build directory gets created

```
$ west build -p -b pinetime_devkit0 samples/bluetooth/eddystone
```

this builds an image, which can be found under the build directory

13.3 Using the created bluetooth sample:

I use linux with a bluetoothadapter 4.0. You need to install bluez.

```
#bluetoothctl  
[bluetooth] #scan on
```

And your Eddy Stone should be visible.

It is the peripheral which advertises, and the central that reads the data.

A sample which advertises a heartrate :

```
west build -p -b pinetime_devkit0 samples/bluetooth/peripheral_hr
```

you could use your smartphone or bluez on linux to read out the heartrate.

Or if you have another watch, the central will connect to the peripheral and read out the heartrate.

```
west build -p -b pinetime_devkit0 samples/bluetooth/central_hr
```

13.3.1 the no-bluetooth, no-watch approach : nrf52_bsim

Suppose you have no watch, no development board, nor any bluetooth dongles? You can still test your bluetooth enabled application. https://docs.zephyrproject.org/latest/boards/posix/nrf52_bsim/doc/index.html

We follow the same logic, but this time we specify the nrf52_bsim board.

```
west build -p -b nrf52_bsim samples/bluetooth/peripheral_hr  
west build -p -b nrf52_bsim samples/bluetooth/central_hr  
cp build/zephyr/zephyr.exe ${BSIM_OUT_PATH}/bin/bs_nrf52_bsim_samples_bluetooth_  
↪central_hr
```

Once compiled you can execute both the peripheral and central firmware, and(!) you have to start the bluetooth simulation. By starting each application in its own terminal, you can keep an eye on the output.

```
${BSIM_OUT_PATH}/bin/bs_nrf52_bsim_samples_bluetooth_central_hr -s=trial_sim -d=1  
  
zephyr/build/zephyr/zephyr.exe -s=trial_sim -d=0  
${BSIM_OUT_PATH}/bin/bs_2G4_phy_v1 -s=trial_sim -D=2 -sim_length=10e6
```

13.3.2 the no-watch approach : simulation on a laptop

how to activate bluetooth?

VBOX running ubuntu (first deactivate driver in windows) (CTRL home – select usb – (intel in my case)) – this lets you select the integrated bluetooth module of your laptop

```
hciconfig hci0 down

west build -p -b native_posix_64 samples/bluetooth/peripheral_hr
./build/zephyr/zephyr.exe --bt-dev=hci0
```

Now you can connect your smartphone to the posix_64 bluetooth device!

Or, with a second bluetooth interface (eg dongle) .. code-block:: console

```
bluetoothctl [bluetooth]# devices
Device C6:78:40:29:EC:31 Zephyr Heartrate Sensor Device
C9:16:85:ED:B6:4E DS-D6 b64e Device C8:B7:89:A9:B0:C9 Espruino-107 b0c9 Device
00:1A:7D:DA:71:0B posix_64

[bluetooth]# info 00:1A:7D:DA:71:0B
Device 00:1A:7D:DA:71:0B (public) Name: posix_64 Alias:
posix_64 Paired: no Trusted: no Blocked: no Connected: no LegacyPairing: no
UUID: Device Information (0000180a-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb)
UUID: Current Time Service (00001805-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb)
```

If you have a smartphone, you can download the nrf utilities app from nordic.

13.4 Nordic nRF Connect (android)

This app allows you to start a gatt server.

As soon as a device is bonded, (oswatch) Pinetime will look for a CTS server (Current Time Service) on the connected device.

Start NRFCConnect and create a CTS server : Tap the hamburger button on the top left and select “Configure GATT server”.

Tap “Add service” on the bottom Select server configuration “Current Time Service” (0x1805)

Here is for a manual time setup : add the Current Time 0x2A2B characteristic : in the initial value field add 0x141505130B0D which corresponds to (2021 year 05 month 19 day 11hours 13 minutes)

In the samples is how to transfer variables to the watch.

I have (mis)used the battery service (0x180F) to achieve this. Adding to battery level (0x2A19) a value (eg 0x112233445566778899AACCDD), allows you to transfer 12 bytes to the watch)

13.5 Bluez

With Bluez on linux you can investigate the bluetoothservices, using bluetoothctl:

```
#bluetoothctl
[bluetooth]#scan on

[NEW] Device 60:7C:9E:92:50:C1 Zephyr Peripheral Sample Long
```

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```
once you see your device
[blueooth]#connect 60:7C:9E:92:50:C1 (the device mac address as displayed)

then you can already see the services
```

13.5.1 using bluez to write something to the device

Characteristic /org/bluez/hci0/dev_74_71_4B_D5_18_21/service001f/char0023 00002a38-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb Body Sensor Location

```
[dsd6]# select-attribute /org/bluez/hci0/dev_74_71_4B_D5_18_21/service001f/char0023
write <data=0x1>
```

same thing with the app from nordic, you could try to connect and display value of e.g. heart rate

13.6 using Python to read out bluetoothservices

In this repo you will find a python script : readbat.py In order to use it you need bluez on linux and the python *bluepy* module.

It can be used in conjunction with the peripheral bluetooth demo. It just reads out the battery level, and prints it.

```
import binascii
from bluepy.btle import UUID, Peripheral

temp_uuid = UUID(0x2A19)

p = Peripheral("60:7C:9E:92:50:C1", "random")

try:
    ch = p.getCharacteristics(uuid=temp_uuid)[0]
    print binascii.b2a_hex(ch.read())
finally:
    p.disconnect()
```


BLUETOOTH NOTIFICATION

As mentioned earlier, I searched for ways to transfer data to, and(!) from the device. Bluetooth data exchange might be a standard feature of Android, Apple ...

On a linuxbox there are ways to do this as well!

In the zephyr samples, I found a sample for Indication. I created a sample for Notification. (samples/bluetooth/Peripheral-notification)

14.1 What?

The BLE standard defines two ways to transfer data from the server to the client: notification and indication.

Notification don't need acknowledgement, so it is faster. Hence, server does not know if the message reached the client...

14.2 How?

Notification has to be enabled.

Linuxbox (bluez) writes "enable" to the watch notification characteristic.

Once Notification is enabled the watch sends continuously messages : the maximum data payload size defined by the specification in each message is 20 bytes.

14.3 Bluez

on linux you could use "bluetoothctl"

There is an example for heartrates.

```
#bluetoothctl

connect MAC-device

menu gatt
select-attribute 00002a37-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
notify on

if all goes well, the watch starts sending heartrates
```

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```
in case it stops:

notify off
notify on
```

14.4 A word on attributes

The data that the server exposes is structured as attributes.

Attribute type (Universally Unique Identifier or UUID) This is a :

- 16-bit number
- or 128-bit number

The 16-bit number is converted to 128-bit by means of a 128-bit base UUID: 00000000-0000-1000-8000-00805F9B34FB.

These 16-bit numbers are standardised. On each device the temperature measurement value is 0x2A1C.

Because I create a custom service to exchange data I use a custom attribute type, also sometimes referred to as vendor-specific UUID. BLE_CHARACTERISTIC_UUID= "12345678-1234-5678-1234-56789abcdef1"

14.5 Attribute Handle

This is a 16-bit value that the server assigns to each of its attributes — think of it as an address. This value is used by the client to reference a specific attribute and is guaranteed by the server to uniquely identify the attribute during the life of the connection between two devices. The range of handles is 0x0001-0xFFFF, where the value of 0x0000 is reserved.

14.6 Python

The scripts are provided. (scan+not.py) But here is a short explanation on how to enable notifications.

On linux one could use the Gatttool from the commandprompt.

Another option is Python!

In this manual the module Bluepy is used : <https://github.com/IanHarvey/bluepy>.

```
(custom          service)          BLE_SERVICE_UUID          ="12345678-1234-5678-1234-56789abcdef0"
BLE_CHARACTERISTIC_UUID="12345678-1234-5678-1234-56789abcdef1"
```

```
ch = ble_service.getCharacteristics()[0] ch.valHandle (this gets you the handle to the notification characteristic
```

```
# Writing x01 is the protocol for all BLE notifications. # However . . . you need to write it to the handle + 1
```

```
dev.writeCharacteristic(ch.valHandle+1, b"x01x00", withResponse=True)
```

FIRMWARE OVER THE AIR (FOTA)

15.1 Wireless Device Firmware Upgrade

15.1.1 Overview

In order to perform a FOTA (firmware over the air) update on zephyr you need 2 basic components:

- MCUboot (a bootloader)
- SMP Server (a bluetooth service)

15.2 MCUboot with zephyr

Clone MCUBOOT for zephyr from github. Install additional packages required for development with mcuboot:

```
cd ~/mcuboot # or to your directory where mcuboot is cloned
pip3 install --user -r scripts/requirements.txt
```

To build MCUboot, create a build directory in boot/zephyr, and build it as follows:

```
cd boot/zephyr
mkdir build && cd build
cmake -GNinja -DBOARD=pinetime ..
ninja
```

After building the bootloader, the binaries should reside in *build/zephyr/zephyr.{bin,hex,elf}*.

This image can be flashed as a normal application.

Some additional configuration is required to build applications for MCUboot.

This is handled internally by the Zephyr configuration system and is wrapped in the *CONFIG_BOOTLOADER_MCUBOOT* Kconfig variable, which must be enabled in the application's *prj.conf* file.

The Zephyr *CONFIG_BOOTLOADER_MCUBOOT* configuration option [documentation](http://docs.zephyrproject.org/reference/kconfig/CONFIG_BOOTLOADER_MCUBOOT.html) provides additional details regarding the changes it makes to the image placement and generation in order for an application to be bootable by MCUboot.

In order to upgrade to an image (or even boot it, if *MCUBOOT_VALIDATE_PRIMARY_SLOT* is enabled), the images must be signed.

To make development easier, MCUboot is distributed with some example keys. It is important to stress that these should never be used for production, since the private key is publicly available in this repository. See below on how to make your own signatures.

Images can be signed with the *scripts/imgtool.py* script. It is best to look at *samples/zephyr/Makefile* for examples on how to use this.

Since the bootloader is already in place, you cannot flash your application.bin to 0x00000.

Eg. in openocd : program application.bin 0x0c000. (which corresponds to the flash layout of slot 0)

These images can also be marked for upgrade, and loaded into the secondary slot, at which point the bootloader should perform an upgrade.

15.3 Partitions

have a look at boards/arm/pinetime/pinetime.dts

15.3.1 Defining partitions for MCUboot

The first step required for Zephyr is making sure your board has flash partitions defined in its device tree. These partitions are:

- *boot_partition*: for MCUboot itself
- *image_0_primary_partition*: the primary slot of Image 0
- *image_0_secondary_partition*: the secondary slot of Image 0
- *scratch_partition*: the scratch slot

The flash partitions are defined in the pinetime boards folder, in a file named *boards/arm/pinetime/pinetime.dts*.

15.3.2 Using NOR flash in partitions

The flash space on the Nordic nrf52 is 512K. Basically with the partitioning you end up with less space for your program.

As the pinetime has an extra spi nor flash chip, we can use this.

The flash-layout can be modified so as 1 chunk is on system flash and 1 chunk is on SPI NOR flash. This way the space for your firmware remains almost the same.

```
chosen {
    zephyr,flash = &flash0;
    //zephyr,flash = &flash1;
    zephyr,code-partition = &slot0_partition;
};

Rename the SPI JEDEC NOR Flash definition to : flash1

flash1: mx25r6435f@1 {
    compatible = "jedec,spi-nor";
    reg = <1>;
    spi-max-frequency = <80000000>;
    label = "MX25R64";
    jedec-id = [0b 40 16];
    size = <67108864>;
    has-be32k;
```

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```

        erase-block-size = <4096>;
        write-block-size = <4>;
};

&flash0 {
    /*
     * For more information, see:
     * http://docs.zephyrproject.org/latest/guides/dts/index.html#flash-partitions
     */
    partitions {
        compatible = "fixed-partitions";
        #address-cells = <1>;
        #size-cells = <1>;

        boot_partition: partition@0 {
            label = "mcuboot";
            reg = <0x00000000 0xc000>;
        };
        slot0_partition: partition@c000 {
            label = "image-0";

            change the size of partition 0 from 0x32000 to 0x64000

            reg = <0x0000C000 0x64000>;
        };

        move slot1 partition to &flash1

        //slot1_partition: partition@3e000 {
        //    label = "image-1";
        //    reg = <0x0003e000 0x32000>;
        //};
        scratch_partition: partition@70000 {
            label = "image-scratch";
            reg = <0x00070000 0xa000>;
        };
        storage_partition: partition@7a000 {
            label = "storage";
            reg = <0x0007a000 0x00006000>;
        };
    };
};

&flash1 {
    partitions {
        compatible = "fixed-partitions";
        #address-cells = <1>;
        #size-cells = <1>;
        slot1_partition: partition@3e000 {
            label = "image-1";
            reg = <0x00000000 0x64000>;
        };
    };
};

```

15.4 Signing an application

In order to improve the security, only signed images can be uploaded.

There is a public and private key. The Bootloader is compiled with the public key. Each time you want to upload firmware, you have to sign it with a private key.

NOTE: it is important to keep the private key hidden

15.4.1 Generating a new keypair

Generating a keypair with `imgtool` is a matter of running the `keygen` subcommand:

```
$ ./scripts/imgtool.py keygen -k mykey.pem -t rsa-2048
```

15.4.2 Extracting the public key

The generated keypair above contains both the public and the private key. It is necessary to extract the public key and insert it into the bootloader.

```
$ ./scripts/imgtool.py getpub -k mykey.pem
```

This will output the public key as a C array that can be dropped directly into the `keys.c` file.

15.4.3 Example

sign the compiled `zephyr.bin` firmware with the `root-rsa-2048.pem`, private key:

```
imgtool.py sign --key ../../root-rsa-2048.pem \  
  --header-size 0x200 \  
  --align 8 \  
  --version 1.2 \  
  --slot-size 0x60000 \  
  ../mcuboot/samples/zephyr/build/ds_d6/hello1/zephyr/zephyr.bin \  
  signed-hello1.bin
```

15.5 SMP Server Sample

15.5.1 Overview

This sample application implements a Simple Management Protocol (SMP) server. SMP is a basic transfer encoding for use with the MCUMgr management protocol.

This sample application supports the following `mcumgr` transports by default:

- Shell
- Bluetooth

15.5.2 Requirements

In order to communicate with the smp server sample installed on your pinetime, you need mcumgr.

Here is a procedure to install mcumgr on a raspberry pi (or similar)

It is written in the go-language. You need to adapt the path : `PATH=$PATH:/root/go/bin`.

15.5.3 Building and Running

The sample will let you manage the pinetime over bluetooth. (via SMP protocol)

There are slot0 and slot1 which can both contain firmware.

Suppose you switch from slot0 to slot1, you still want to be able to communicate.

So both slots need smp_svr software!

Step 1: Build smp_svr

smp_svr can be built for the nRF52 as follows:

NOTE: to perform a firmware update over the air, you have to build a second sample

Step 2: Sign the image

Using MCUboot's `imgtool.py` script, sign the `zephyr.(bin|hex)` file you built in Step 3. In the below example, the MCUboot repo is located at `~/src/mcuboot`.

```
~/src/mcuboot/scripts/imgtool.py sign \
  --key ~/src/mcuboot/root-rsa-2048.pem \
  --header-size 0x200 \
  --align 8 \
  --version 1.0 \
  --slot-size <image-slot-size> \
  <path-to-zephyr.(bin|hex)> signed.(bin|hex)
```

The above command creates an image file called `signed.(bin|hex)` in the current directory.

Step 3: Flash the smp_svr image

Upload the bin-file from Step 2 to image slot-0. For the pinetime, slot-0 is located at address `0xc000`.

```
in openocd : program zephyr.bin 0xc000
```

Step 4: Run it!

Note: If you haven't installed `mcumgr` yet, then do so by following the instructions in the `mcumgr_cli` section of the Management subsystem documentation.

The `smp_svr` app is ready to run. Just reset your board and test the app with the `mcumgr` command-line tool's `echo` functionality, which will send a string to the remote target device and have it echo it back:

```
sudo mcumgr --conntype ble --connstring ctlr_name=hci0,peer_name='Zephyr' echo hello
hello
```

Step 5: Device Firmware Upgrade

Now that the SMP server is running on your pinetime, you are able to communicate with it using `mcumgr`.

You might want to test “OTA DFU”, or Over-The-Air Device Firmware Upgrade.

To do this, build a second sample (following the steps below) to verify it is sent over the air and properly flashed into slot-1, and then swapped into slot-0 by MCUboot.

```
* Build a second sample
* Sign the second sample
* Upload the image over BLE
```

Now we are ready to send or upload the image over BLE to the target remote device.

```
sudo mcumgr --conntype ble --connstring ctlr_name=hci0,peer_name='Zephyr' image_
↪upload signed.bin
```

If all goes well the image will now be stored in slot-1, ready to be swapped into slot-0 and executed.

Note: At the beginning of the upload process, the target might start erasing the image slot, taking several dozen seconds for some targets. This might cause an NMP timeout in the management protocol tool. Use the `-t <timeout-in-seconds>` option to increase the response timeout for the `mcumgr` command line tool if this occurs.

List the images

We can now obtain a list of images (slot-0 and slot-1) present in the remote target device by issuing the following command:

```
sudo mcumgr --conntype ble --connstring ctlr_name=hci0,peer_name='Zephyr' image list
```

This should print the status and hash values of each of the images present.

Test the image

In order to instruct MCUboot to swap the images we need to test the image first, making sure it boots:

```
sudo mcumgr --conntype ble --connstring ctlr_name=hci0,peer_name='Zephyr' image test  
↪ <hash of slot-1 image>
```

Now MCUBoot will swap the image on the next reset.

Reset remotely

We can reset the device remotely to observe (use the console output) how MCUboot swaps the images:

```
sudo mcumgr --conntype ble --connstring ctlr_name=hci0,peer_name='Zephyr' reset
```

Upon reset MCUboot will swap slot-0 and slot-1.

You can confirm the new image and make the swap permanent by using this command:

```
sudo mcumgr --conntype ble --connstring ctlr_name=hci0,peer_name='Zephyr' image_↵  
↪ confirm
```

Note that if you try to send the very same image that is already flashed in slot-0 then the procedure will not complete successfully since the hash values for both slots will be identical.

CHAPTER
SIXTEEN

SAMPLES

MENUCONFIG

17.1 Zephyr is like linux

TIP: the pinetime specific drivers are located under Modules

Note: to get a feel, compile a program, for example

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/bluetooth/peripheral -D CONF_FILE="prj.conf"
```

the pinetime contains an external 32Kz crystal now you can have a look in the configuration file (and modify if needed)

```
$ west build -t menuconfig
```

```
Modules --->
Board Selection (nRF52832-MDK) --->
Board Options --->
SoC/CPU/Configuration Selection (Nordic Semiconductor nRF52 series MCU) --->
Hardware Configuration --->
ARM Options --->
Architecture (ARM architecture) --->
General Architecture Options --->
[ ] Floating point ----
General Kernel Options --->
Device Drivers ---> *****SELECT THIS ONE*****
C Library --->
Additional libraries --->
[*] Bluetooth --->
[ ] Console subsystem/support routines [EXPERIMENTAL] ----
[ ] C++ support for the application ----
System Monitoring Options --->
Debugging Options --->
[ ] Disk Interface ----
File Systems --->
-- Logging --->
Management --->
Networking --->
```

```
[ ] IEEE 802.15.4 drivers options ----
(UART_0) Device Name of UART Device for UART Console
[*] Console drivers --->
[ ] Net loopback driver ----
[*] Serial Drivers --->
```

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```
[*] NRF Clock controller support ---> <<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<SELECT THIS ONE<<<<<<<<<
```

DEBUGGING

18.1 debugging

18.1.1 Segger JLink

The pinetime smartwatch does **not** have a serial port.
A way around this **is** to use a Segger Jlink debug-probe **and** enable logging **and** shell_
↳over RTT:

in prj.cfg:

```
CONFIG_LOG=y  
CONFIG_USE_SEGGER_RTT=y  
CONFIG_SHELL=y  
CONFIG_SHELL_BACKEND_RTT=y
```

start the debugger :
west debug
and enter : **continue**

This starts up **in** the background "Segger Jlink Processes"

Note: What happens when you type : west debug? You could type this on the command prompt.

```
(this start the server)  
JLinkGDBServer -select usb -port 2331 -if swd -speed 4000 -device nRF52832_xxAA -  
↳silent -singlerun  
(this starts the debug session)  
~/zephyr-sdk/arm-zephyr-eabi/bin/arm-zephyr-eabi-gdb /root/zephyrproject/app/build/  
↳zephyr/zephyr.elf -ex target :2331 -ex halt -ex reset -ex load  
telnet 127.0.0.1 19021 (putty on linux) start the rtt console and shows the debug-log
```

18.1.2 Black Magic

The ds-D6 smartwatch has a serial port.

The blackmagicprobe can launch a debugger : west debug --runnerblackmagicprobe.
The probe has a serial port /dev/ttyACM1 (linux : minicom -b 115200 -D /dev/ttyACM1)

18.1.3 STM32 - Raspberry - OpenOCD

If you do **not** have a Segger debug probe nor a serial port, you can put a value **in** memory at a fixed location.
With openocd you can peek at this memory location.
If you own a raspberry pi **or** an orange pi, you can use the GPIO header.
Another cheap option **is** an stm32 debug probe.

Note: #define MY_REGISTER (*(volatile uint8_t*)0x2000F000)

in the program you can set values: MY_REGISTER=1; MY_REGISTER=8;

this way you know till where the code executes

```
#telnet 127.0.0.1 4444
```

programming

```
once your telnet sessions started:
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to 127.0.0.1.
Escape character is '^]'.
Open On-Chip Debugger
>mdw 0x2000F000 0x1
```

the last byte shows the value of your program trace value

18.2 debugging Posix

start gdb on the command prompt

```
(gdb) file build/zephyr/zephyr.elf
Reading symbols from build/zephyr/zephyr.elf...done.
(gdb) b main
Breakpoint 1 at 0x5909: file /root/work/zephyr/boards/posix/native_posix/main.c, line 56.
(gdb) run
```

Debug oswatch-bt (which needs an argument -bt-dev=hci0) Set the breakpoint in the function connected

```
(gdb) file build/zephyr/zephyr.elf
Reading symbols from build/zephyr/zephyr.elf...done.
(gdb) b connected
```

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```
Breakpoint 1 at 0x498a: file /root/work/app/oswatch-bt/src/bt.c, line 140.  
(gdb) r --bt-dev=hci0
```

18.3 The black magic probe

18.3.1 probes in zephyr

You can program the nrf52832 with a debuggerprobe. The standard-setup is jlink (segger).

/root/zephyrproject/zephyr/boards/arm/id107plus/board.cmake (adapt the runner here)

in our case : instead of jlink specify : blackmagicprobe

The cool thing about this probe that it has a serial port (3.3V) and a debug (upload) port on the same usb-port.

:: /dev/ttyACM1 is serial port (pb6 pb7)

```
minicom -b 115200 -D /dev/ttyACM1
```

/dev/ttyACM0 is used as debugger/uploading

```
west debug --runner blackmagicprobe west flash --runner blackmagicprobe
```

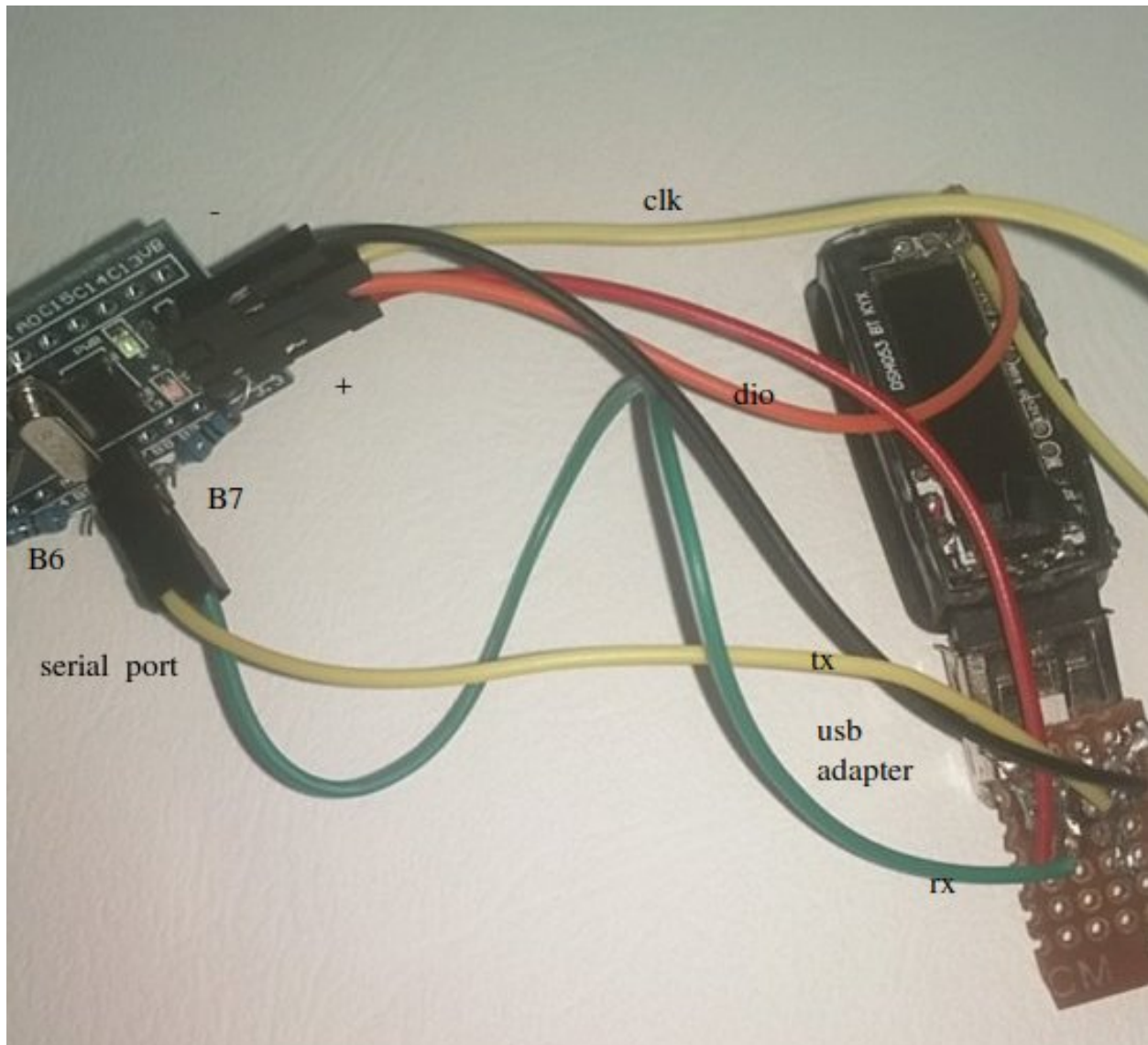
18.3.2 howto setup a blackmagicprobe

You can buy this probe and support the developers. (make this world a better place)

I bought a “cheapo” “blue pill” stm32 board for future projects ... soldered a 1.8K resistor between 3.3K and PA12

downloaded from <https://jeelabs.org/docs/software/bmp/> - blackmagic.bin (79 ko) - blackmagic_dfu.bin (7 ko)

in jlink : loadbin blackmagic_dfu.bin 0x8000000 (specify jlink no options ...) switch boot0 or boot1 or whatever connect usb in linux dfu-util -v -R -d 0483:df11 -s 0x08002000 -D blackmagic.bin (uploading in jlink was a problem cause memory restrictions)



(removed boot0 and boot1 connectors on the stm afterwards)

plugged it in the USB port and it pops up (had to enable it first in virtual box : black sphere technologies)

18.4 pseudo

18.4.1 simulation on NATIVE_POSIX_64

It is possible to use two serial ports on the virtual posix board. One can display log message, while the other one lets you interact with the shell.

```
CONFIG_UART_CONSOLE=y
CONFIG_UART_CONSOLE_ON_DEV_NAME="UART_0"
CONFIG_UART_NATIVE_POSIX_PORT_1_ENABLE=y
CONFIG_UART_NATIVE_POSIX_PORT_1_NAME="UART_1"
```

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```
CONFIG_SHELL=y
CONFIG_UART_SHELL_ON_DEV_NAME="UART_0"
```

```
root@osboxes:~/work/app# ./build/zephyr/zephyr.exe
UART_1 connected to pseudotty: /dev/pts/2
UART_0 connected to pseudotty: /dev/pts/3

minicom -D /dev/pts/3
```

(you should see log messages)

18.5 Bsim

this is a method of debugging a bluetooth enabled application, without a bluetooth device

18.5.1 debugging on nrf52_bsim

You can compile the oswatch-bt sample for the bsim board.

```
west build -p -b nrf52_bsim oswatch-bt
gdb

file build/zephyr/zephyr.elf
b connected (breakpoint on function connected)
r -s=trial_sim -d=1
```

18.6 Segger RTT (Real Time Transfer)

18.7 Serial data without a serial port

Pinetime does not have UART pins but UART-like connection can be achieved using RTT (Real Time Transfer) feature of Segger JLink debugger. RTT data can be accessed using the SEGGER tool (JLinkRTTViewer) or by using telnet connection to active debug session. Second method is recommended since it gives better throughput and allows bidirectional communication using Zephyr Shell (with RTT as backend). PuTTY can be used to telnet to debug session.

Prerequisites: - JLink debugger, for example one of Nordic Semiconductor Development Kits. - Setup: https://wiki.pine64.org/index.php/PineTime#Using_JLink_programmer_and_nrfjprog_tools

Following steps needs to be taken to run RTT shell in the application: 1. Install PuTTY and Setup RTT session. On Linux, copy *misc/rtt_shell/rtt* to *~/putty/sessions*. On Windows, execute *misc/rtt_shell/putty-rtt.reg*. 2. Enable logging and shell over RTT: `CONFIG_LOG=y CONFIG_USE_SEGGER_RTT=y CONFIG_SHELL=y CONFIG_SHELL_BACKEND_RTT=y`

3. Build and flash application.

4. Start debug session `west debug` (will start gdb) `continue` (in gdb console) 5. Start PuTTY RTT session, prompt should be printed.

Resources: - Zephyr shell documentation: <https://docs.zephyrproject.org/latest/reference/shell/index.html> - Zephyr logger documentation: <https://docs.zephyrproject.org/latest/reference/logging/index.html>

HACKING STUFF

19.1 hacking the pinetime smartwatch

The pinetime **is** preloaded **with** firmware.
This firmware **is** secured, you cannot peek into it.

Note: The pinetime has a swd interface. To be able to write firmware, you need special hardware. I use a stm-link which is very cheap(2\$). You can also use the GPIO header of a raspberry pi. (my repo: <https://github.com/najnesnaj/openocd> is adapted for the orange pi)

To flash the software I use openocd : example for stm-link usb-stick

```
# openocd -s /usr/local/share/openocd/scripts -f interface/stlink.cfg -f target/nrf52.  
↪ cfg
```

example for the orange-pi GPIO header (or raspberry)

```
# openocd -f /usr/local/share/openocd/scripts/interface/sysfsgpio-raspberrypi.cfg -c 'transport select swd'  
-f /usr/local/share/openocd/scripts/target/nrf52.cfg -c 'bindto 0.0.0.0'
```

once you started the openocd background server, you can connect to it using:

```
#telnet 127.0.0.1 4444
```

programming

```
once your telnet sessions started:  
Trying 127.0.0.1...  
Connected to 127.0.0.1.  
Escape character is '^]'.  
Open On-Chip Debugger  
> program zephyr.bin  
  
target halted due to debug-request, current mode: Thread  
xPSR: 0x01000000 pc: 0x00001534 msp: 0x20004a10  
** Programming Started **  
auto erase enabled  
using fast async flash loader. This is currently supported  
only with ST-Link and CMSIS-DAP. If you have issues, add  
"set WORKAREASIZE 0" before sourcing nrf51.cfg/nrf52.cfg to disable it  
target halted due to breakpoint, current mode: Thread  
xPSR: 0x61000000 pc: 0x2000001e msp: 0x20004a10
```

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```
wrote 24576 bytes from file zephyr.bin in 1.703540s (14.088 KiB/s)
** Programming Finished **

And finally execute a reset :
>reset
```

removing write protection see: [howto flash your zephyr image](#)

19.2 scanning the I2C_1 port

```
The pinetime does not have a serial port.
I do not have a segger debugging probe.
A way around this, it to put a value in memory at a fixed location.
With openocd you can peek at this memory location.
```

19.2.1 Building and Running

In this repo under samples you will find an adapted i2c scanner program.

```
west build -p -b pinetime samples/drivers/i2c_scanner
```

Note: #define MY_REGISTER (*(volatile uint8_t*)0x2000F000)

in the program you can set values: MY_REGISTER=1; MY_REGISTER=8;

this way you know till where the code executes

```
#telnet 127.0.0.1 4444
```

Peeking

```
once your telnet sessions started:
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to 127.0.0.1.
Escape character is '^]'.
Open On-Chip Debugger
>mdw 0x2000F000 0x1
0x2000f000: 00c24418
```

Note::

this corresponds to 0x18, 0x44 and 0xC2 (which is endvalue of scanner, so it does not detect touchscreen, which should be touched first...)

19.3 howto flash your zephyr image

Once you completed your west build , your image is located under the build directory

```
$ cd ~/work/pinetime/zephyr/build/zephyr
here you can find zephyr.bin which you can flash

I use Openocd to flash.
Just connect : telnet 127.0.0.1 4444

.. code-block:: console

    program zephyr.bin
```

19.4 howto remove the write protection

:: the PineTime watch is read/write protected (at least the one I got) executing the following : nrf52.dap apreg 1 0x0c shows 0x0

Mind you, st-link does not allow you to execute that command, for this you will need a J-link.

There is a workaround using the GPIO of a raspberry pi or an Orangepi. (in this case you won't need an external programmer at all) (You can find an example for the orange pi in my repo :<https://github.com/najnesnaj/openocd>.) You have to reconfigure Openocd with the `--enable-cmsis-dap` option.

Unlock the chip by executing the command: > nrf52.dap apreg 1 0x04 0x01

19.5 howto configure gateway

Once you completed your west build , your image is located under the build directory

```
$ cd ~/work/pinetime/zephyr/build/zephyr
here you can find zephyr.bin which you can flash
```

```
I use an orange pi single board computer.
The pinetime watch is attached to this.
My development is done on a laptop.
```

```
How can you copy from one environment (laptop) to another (SBC) without typing
↪password?
```

On the laptop :

```
ssh-keygen -b 8092 -t rsa -C "fota gw access key" -f ~/.ssh/orange
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase): (LEAVE EMPTY!)
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in /root/.ssh/orange.
Your public key has been saved in /root/.ssh/orange.pub.
```

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```
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:xCM5FklLAVjEWqrM6LKM8Y6+Y12ONt6eV8vDa/KdRUM fota gw access key
The key's randomart image is:
+---[RSA 8092]-----+
|      ==+.      |
|B*B.o+. +ooo    |
+-----[SHA256]-----+
```

(the standard port is 22 and not 9988 which is my custom port)

```
copy the certificate to the SBC (which name is orange in my case):
ssh-copy-id -p 9988 -i ~/.ssh/orange.pub root@orange
```

```
create config file : ~/.ssh/config
    Host orange
    HostName orange
    User root
    Port 9988
    IdentityFile ~/.ssh/orange
```

```
Now you can copy without a password :
scp build/zephyr/zephyr.bin orange:/usr/src
```

w

19.6 howto use 2 openocd sessions

Once you completed your west build , your image is located under the build directory

```
$ cd ~/work/pinetime/zephyr/build/zephyr
here you can find zephyr.bin which you can flash

I use Openocd to flash.
Just connect : telnet 127.0.0.1 4444

.. code-block:: console

    program zephyr.bin
```


19.6.1 Suppose you have 2 microcontrollers

Just connect : telnet 127.0.0.1 7777 for the second.

19.6.2 Howto setup a second openocd session on a different port?

In this case an ST-LINK/V2 an in-circuit debugger and programmer is used.

```
openocd -c 'telnet_port 7777' -c 'tcl_port 6667' -c 'gdb_port 3332' -s /usr/local/
↪share/openocd/scripts -f interface/stlink.cfg -f target/nrf52.cfg
```

19.6.3 Howto use the GPIO header of a Single Board computer

This works really well, and does not require a seperate programmer.

```
openocd -f /usr/local/share/openocd/scripts/interface/sysfsgpio-raspberrypi.cfg -c
↪'transport select swd' -f /usr/local/share/openocd/scripts/target/nrf52.cfg -c
↪'bindto 0.0.0.0'
```

19.7 howto generate pdf documents

sphinx cannot generate pdf directly, and needs latex

```
apt-get install latexmk
apt-get install texlive-fonts-recommended
apt-get install xzdec
apt-get install cmap
apt-get install texlive-latex-recommended
apt-get install texlive-latex-extra
```

19.8 The Movie

<https://youtu.be/A-kYHdrr-Mg>

or

oswatchclip.mp4

19.8.1 editing :

Kdenlive

19.8.2 script :

LibreOffice Impress

19.8.3 Camera :

SimpleScreenRecorder

19.8.4 Voice over :

```
espeak -v en+f5 -a 100 -p 50 -s 110 -f slide2.txt -w slide2.wav
```

19.8.5 Music by Beethoven:

```
fluidsynth -a pulseaudio -o audio.alsa.device=hw:1 -m alsa_seq -l -i /usr/share/sounds/sf2/FluidR3_GM.sf2 moonlight_sonata.mid
```

this one works best : timidity moonlight_sonata.mid -Ow -o out.wav

BEHIND THE SCENE

20.1 Touchscreen

In my first release I created a touchscreendriver that read the x-y coordinates from the pinetime screen.

Meanwhile a rudimentary touchscreen driver exist in Zephyr. (KSCAN_TOUCH)

It integrates with LVGL.

I managed to adapt the driver from Focaltech, so it now supports the Pinetime as well.

However it is not capable of detecting events like “slide up/down”, but point and click is usable.

20.1.1 Overview

Touchscreen Hynitron

20.1.2 Requirements

20.1.3 Building and Running

20.1.4 Todo

- support more touchscreen events

20.1.5 References

20.2 placing a button on the screen

This sample **is not** really important, but it will teach you that you need to **set** LVGL_
→CONFIG values, **in** order to be able to use LVGL functions.

20.2.1 Building and Running



ABOUT

I got a pinetime development kit very early. I would like to thank the folks from <https://www.pine64.org/> for the kit.

The Nordic nrf52832 is an Arm based, 32bit microcontroller with a lot of flash, RAM memory and(!) bluetooth! It is a good platform to explore the wonderful world of opensource RTOS's. I choose the Zephyr platform, because it already contained the display driver, and the bluetooth functionality. Furthermore it can be updated wireless.

I started of with adapting simple samples, so they would run on the pinetime watch. Meanwhile I learned how to adapt the board definition file. Gradually this morphed into a pinetime-toolkit. A few experts contributed and improved this kit so it became usable.

I took a long break from this project, zephyr evolved and a project for creating an open source watch, the hypnos-firmware flourished.

The drivers for the heartrate sensor, touch panel that I adapted, became obsolete. The pinetime board definition file is now part of the zephyr RTOS distribution.

Recently I discovered that the standard focaltech touchscreen driver could be adapted easily so it would run on the pinetime and integrate nicely with the LVGL-gui. There were several OLED ssd1306 watches on my desk and I wondered if I could run Zephyr and LVGL (graphical stuff) on them as well. (yes, we can!) I played around with the "native_posix_64" board, which is a virtual board that allows you to run firmware on your computer instead of on the watch (no need for flashing).

This gave me the idea for an opensource-watch-framework. Start of with simple samples, and add some more functionality, until finally you end up with a smartwatch. The framework is build around three smartwatches, the pinetime, the ds_d6 and the posix_sdl. It should work on other platform as well, with minor modifications. I only recently got the idea for out-of-tree development. Just put all the modified drivers, board definitions and application in one place outside of the zephyr-tree.

A word of warning: this **is** work **in** progress.
You're likely to have a better skillset than me.
You are invited to add the missing pieces **and** to improve what's already there.

Some 20 years ago I attended a course on how to brew beer. Real beer, starting with barley, wheat, yeast, brew kettles ...

I bought some brewing equipment and started brewing my own beer. Apart from a stupid idea, (why brew beer in a country that has plenty of breweries), I soon found out that brewing is labor intensive.

Instead of quitting right away (the most sensible thing to do), I tried to reduce the effort. I switched from a gas heated kettle to an electric one.

The next step was to control the temperature. I got an arduino and a temp-sensor. This got me interested in microcontrollers.

It appealed to my childish nature, that I could get quick results with little coding. Blinking a led, really lightens up my day! And a beer of course.

Guess, even **for** a technically skilled audience, story-telling, renders a manual less
↳boring ...