



How to integrate my (proprietary) code in Zephyr

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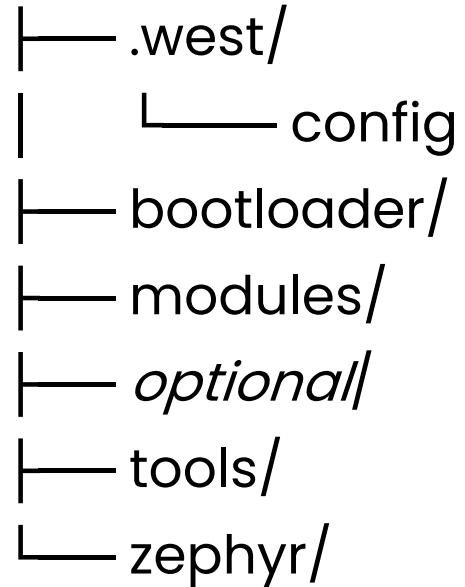
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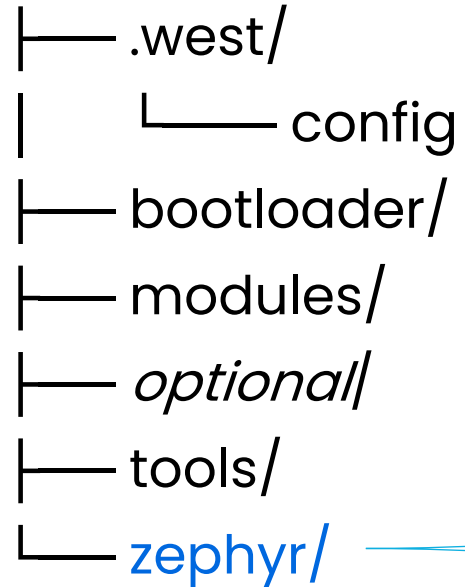


Examples of modules from [zephyrproject-rtos](#):

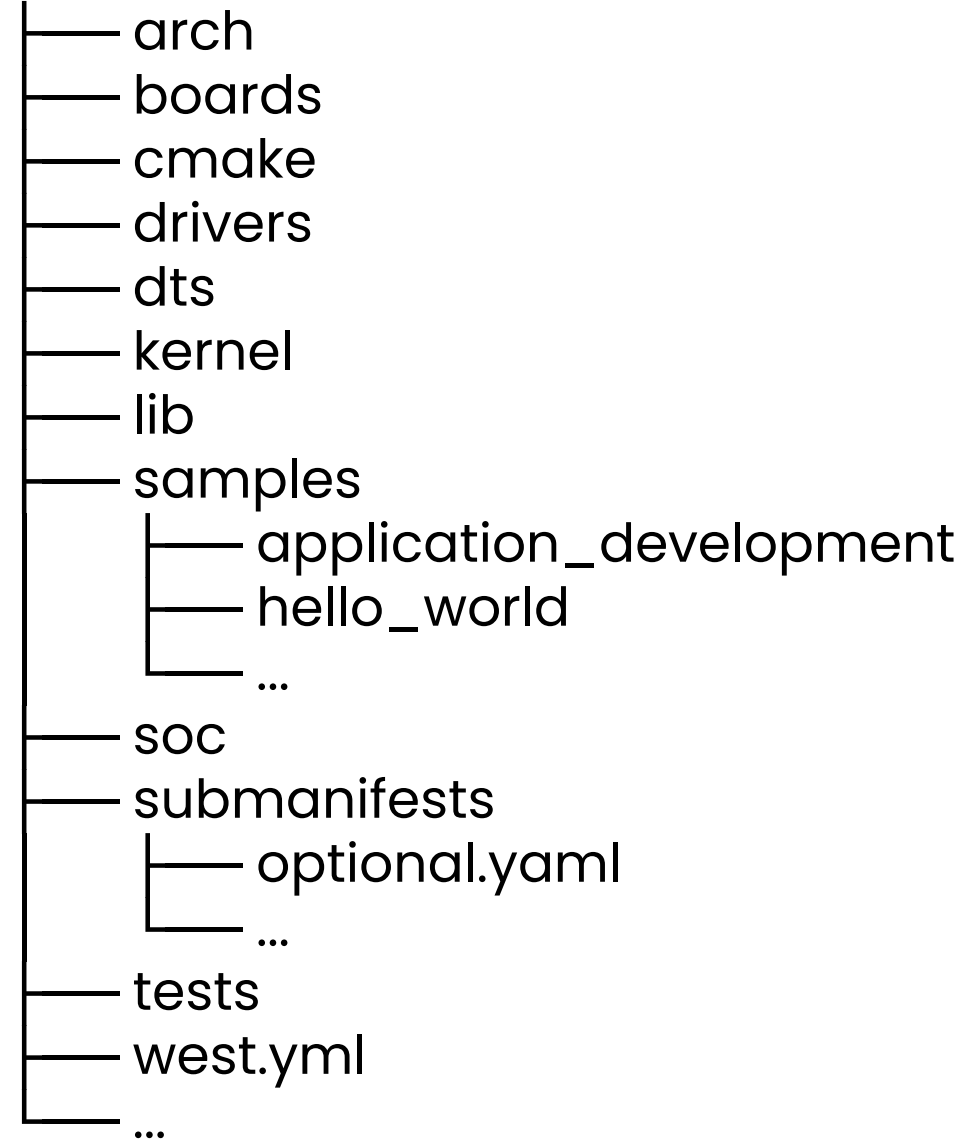
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- docker-image*
- cmsis-dsp / cmsis-nn
- OpenAMP / libmetal
- littlefs

Zephyr structure

zephyrproject/



zephyr/

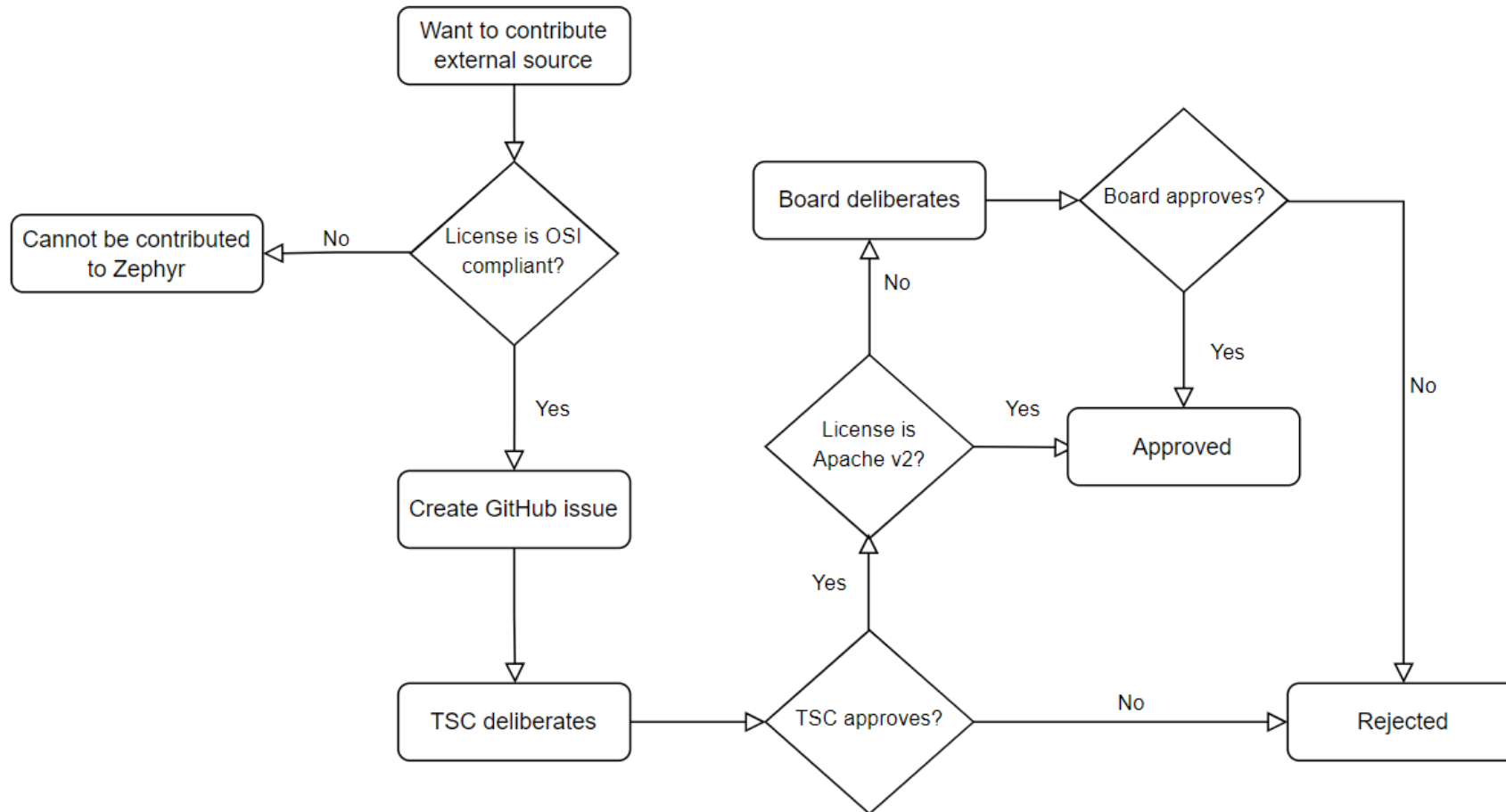


Licensing

- Zephyr uses the [Apache 2.0 license](#)
 - permissive open-source license that allows you to freely use, modify, distribute and sell your own products
- Imported or reused components that use other licensing - [GPLv2 License](#)
- When submitting a patch with Signed-off-by one agrees to Developer Certificate of Origin (DCO)
- Each Zephyr source code is mandatory to have a one-line SPDX-License-Identifier comment

Licensing

- Importing code into the Zephyr OS from other projects that use a license other than the Apache 2.0 license needs to be approved by the Zephyr governing board



Application development – Prerequisites

- Arch support is mandatory in Zephyr
 - board, SoC, device tree support are expected to be in Zephyr
 - structure for out-of-tree board, SoC development needs to be like boards and SoCs maintained in the Zephyr tree

```
west build -b <board name> --  
-DBOARD_ROOT=<path to boards>  
-DSOC_ROOT=<path to soc>  
-DDTS_ROOT=<path to dts root>
```

Board structure:

`boards/<VENDOR>/plank`

├── `board.yml`

├── `board.cmake`

├── `CMakeLists.txt`

├── `doc`

| ├── `plank.png`

| └── `index.rst`

├── `Kconfig.plank`

├── `Kconfig.defconfig`

├── `plank_defconfig`

├── `plank_<qualifiers>_defconfig`

├── `plank.dts`

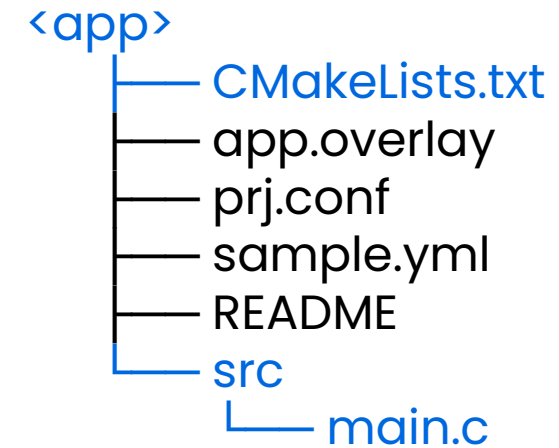
├── `plank_<qualifiers>.dts`

└── `plank.yaml`

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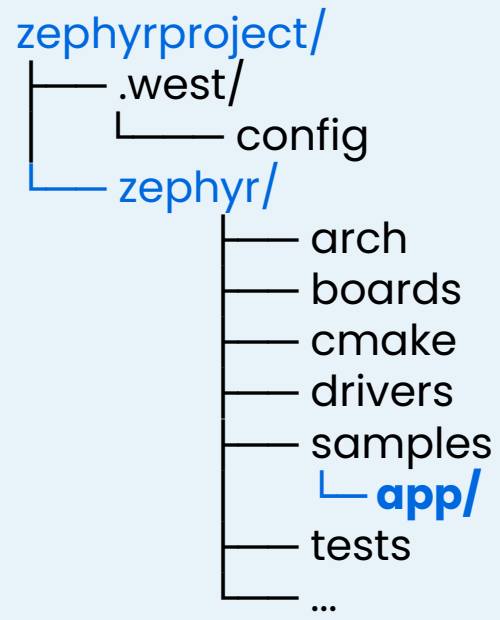
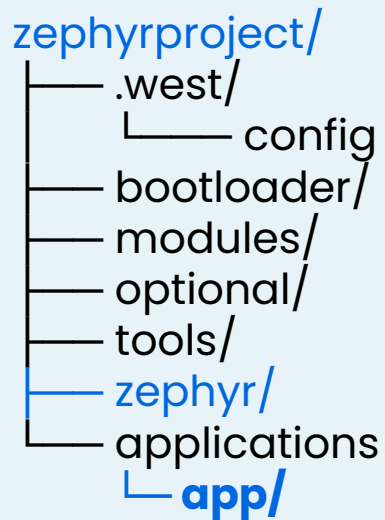
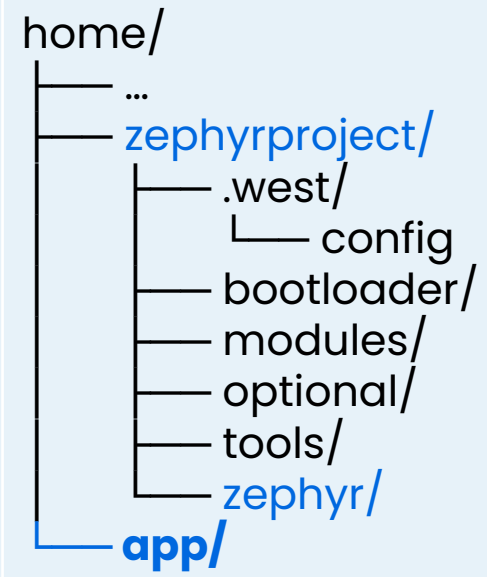
- Arch support is mandatory in Zephyr
- Zephyr's build system is based on [Cmake](#):
 - application centric
- Modes of integration for external code:
 - Integration in the main Zephyr repository
 - Integration as a module
 - main manifest file ([west.yaml](#))
 - vendor HAL
 - libraries (source code)
 - tools
 - optional modules ([submanifests/optional.yml](#))
 - external modules

Zephyr application structure:



Creating an application

- Where do we add the application?
 - Application types

Repository	Workspace	Freestanding
Zephyr repository	west workspace where Zephyr is installed	Out-of-tree / Other locations
 <pre>zephyrproject/ ├── .west/ │ └── config └── zephyr/ ├── arch ├── boards ├── cmake ├── drivers ├── samples │ └── app/ ├── tests └── ...</pre>	 <pre>zephyrproject/ ├── .west/ │ └── config ├── bootloader/ ├── modules/ ├── optional/ ├── tools/ ├── zephyr/ └── applications └── app/</pre>	 <pre>home/ ├── ... └── zephyrproject/ ├── .west/ │ └── config ├── bootloader/ ├── modules/ ├── optional/ ├── tools/ └── zephyr/ └── app/</pre>

Creating an application

- Number crunching sample
- Where do we add the application?
 - In and out of Zephyr tree
- How to integrate proprietary code?
 - NatureDSP library, from Cadence, from an out-of-tree location
- How to use a Zephyr module?
 - CMSIS-DSP

Creating an application

[zephyr/samples/](#)

```
└─ application_development
    └─ ...
    └─ number\_crunching
        ├── CMakeLists.txt
        ├── include
        │   ├── input.h
        │   └─ math_ops.h
        ├── prj.conf
        ├── README.rst
        ├── sample.yaml
        └─ src
            ├── cmsis\_dsp\_wrapper.c
            ├── main.c
            ├── math_ops.c
            └─ nature\_dsp\_wrapper.c
```

Creating an application – Solution 1

zephyr/samples/

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 - └─ main.c
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 - └─ nature_dsp_wrapper.c

```
# SPDX-License-Identifier: Apache-2.0
```

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.20.0)
find_package(Zephyr REQUIRED HINTS $ENV{ZEPHYR_BASE})
project(proprietary_lib)
```

```
# defines targets and sources
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/main.c
    src/math_ops.c
)
```

```
zephyr_include_directories(include)
```

```
if(DEFINED ENV{LIB_LOCATION})
    message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable defined")
```

```
# contains a "proprietary" library we will link to
# this should set the INCLUDE_DIR, LIB_DIR and LIB_NAME variables
add_subdirectory($ENV{LIB_LOCATION} ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/proprietary)
```

```
# this is an example for NatureDSP backend
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
)
```

```
if(INCLUDE_DIR)
    zephyr_include_directories($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${INCLUDE_DIR})
endif()
```

```
if(LIB_DIR AND LIB_NAME)
    zephyr_link_libraries($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${LIB_DIR}/${LIB_NAME})
endif()
```

```
else()
    message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable NOT defined")
```

```
# this is an example for CMSIS-DSP backend
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
)
```

```
endif()
```

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```

```
# this is an example for NatureDSP backend
```

```
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    src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
)
```

```
if(INCLUDE_DIR)
    zephyr_include_directories($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${INCLUDE_DIR})
endif()
```

```
if(LIB_DIR AND LIB_NAME)
    zephyr_link_libraries($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${LIB_DIR}/${LIB_NAME})
endif()
```

```
else()
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```

```
# this is an example for CMSIS-DSP backend
```

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target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
)
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
    # this is an example for NatureDSP backend
```

```
    target_sources(app PRIVATE
        src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
    )
```

```
    if(INCLUDE_DIR)
```

```
        zephyr_include_directories($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${INCLUDE_DIR})
```

```
    endif()
```

```
    if(LIB_DIR AND LIB_NAME)
```

```
        zephyr_link_libraries($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${LIB_DIR}/${LIB_NAME})
```

```
    endif()
```

```
else()
```

```
    message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable NOT defined")
```

```
    # this is an example for CMSIS-DSP backend
```

```
    target_sources(app PRIVATE
        src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
    )
```

```
endif()
```

Creating an application – Solution 1

[home/external_lib_location/](#)

```
|— CMakeLists.txt
|— include
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_audio.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_complex.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_fft.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_fir.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_fit.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_id.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_iir.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_img.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_math.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_matinv.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_matop.h
|   |— NatureDSP_Signal_vector.h
|   |— NatureDSP_types.h
|— lib
|   |— NatureDSPLib.a
```

Creating an application – Solution 1

home/external_lib_location/

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└─ NatureDSPLib.a

```
# SPDX-License-Identifier: Apache-2.0
```

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.20.0)
```

```
# Link with the external 3rd party library.
```

```
set(LIB_DIR "lib" CACHE STRING "")
```

```
set(INCLUDE_DIR "include" CACHE STRING "")
```

```
set(LIB_NAME "NatureDSPLib.a" CACHE STRING "")
```


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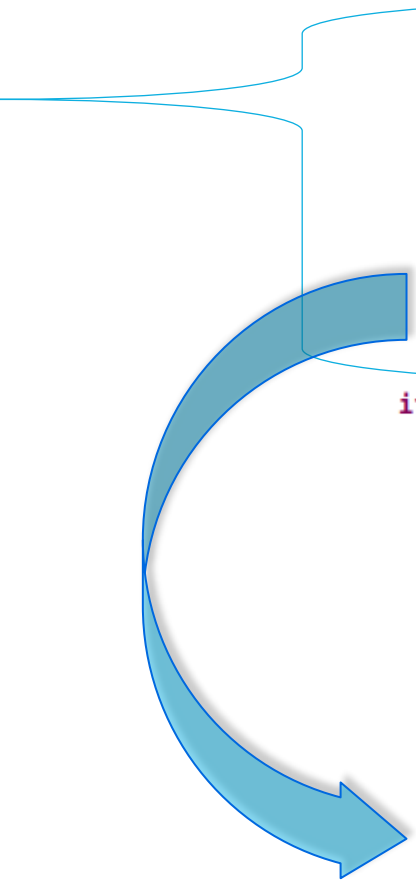
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└─ NatureDSPLib.a



```
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cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.20.0)

# Link with the external 3rd party library.
set(LIB_DIR "lib" CACHE STRING "")
set(INCLUDE_DIR "include" CACHE STRING "")
set(LIB_NAME "NatureDSPLib.a" CACHE STRING "")

if(DEFINED ENV{LIB_LOCATION})
    message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable defined")

    # contains a "proprietary" library we will link to
    # this should set the INCLUDE_DIR, LIB_DIR and LIB_NAME variables
    add_subdirectory($ENV{LIB_LOCATION} ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/proprietary)

    # this is an example for NatureDSP backend
    target_sources(app PRIVATE
        src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
    )

    if(INCLUDE_DIR)
        zephyr_include_directories($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${INCLUDE_DIR})
    endif()

    if(LIB_DIR AND LIB_NAME)
        zephyr_link_libraries($ENV{LIB_LOCATION}/${LIB_DIR}/${LIB_NAME})
    endif()
else()
    message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable NOT defined")
    # this is an example for CMSIS-DSP backend
    target_sources(app PRIVATE
        src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
    )
endif()
```

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home/external_lib_location/

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include

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```

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set(LIB_DIR "lib" CACHE STRING "")
```

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```

```
set(LIB_NAME "NatureDSPLib.a" CACHE STRING "")
```

```
zephyr_include_directories(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/${INCLUDE_DIR})
```

```
zephyr_link_libraries(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/${LIB_DIR}/${LIB_NAME})
```

```
if(DEFINED ENV{LIB_LOCATION})
```

```
message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable defined")
```

```
# contains a "proprietary" library we will link to
```

```
# this should set the INCLUDE_DIR, LIB_DIR and LIB_NAME variables
```

```
add_subdirectory($ENV{LIB_LOCATION} ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/proprietary)
```

```
# this is an example for NatureDSP backend
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE  
    src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
```

```
)
```

```
else()
```

```
message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION environment variable NOT defined")
```

```
# this is an example for CMSIS-DSP backend
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE  
    src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
```

```
)
```

```
endif()
```

Creating an application – Solution 1

home/external_lib_location/

CMakeLists.txt

include

- NatureDSP_Signal_audio.h
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```
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```

```
# Link with the external 3rd party library.
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set(LIB_DIR "lib" CACHE STRING "")
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```

```
set(LIB_NAME "NatureDSPLib.a" CACHE STRING "")
```

```
zephyr_include_directories(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/${INCLUDE_DIR})
```

```
zephyr_link_libraries(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/${LIB_DIR}/${LIB_NAME})
```

```
if(DEFINED LIB_LOCATION)
```

```
message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION variable defined")
```

```
# contains a "proprietary" library we will link to
```

```
# this should set the INCLUDE_DIR, LIB_DIR and LIB_NAME variables
```

```
add_subdirectory(${LIB_LOCATION} ${CMAKE_CURRENT_BINARY_DIR}/proprietary)
```

```
# this is an example for NatureDSP backend
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
)
```

```
else()
```

```
message(STATUS "LIB_LOCATION variable NOT defined")
```

```
# this is an example for CMSIS-DSP backend
```

```
target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
)
```

```
endif()
```

Building the application

For NatureDSP, set LIB_LOCATION as environment or simple variable:

```
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$ export LIB_LOCATION=/home/external_lib_location
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$
west build -p always -b imx8mp-evk//adsp samples/application_development/number_crunching/

/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$
west build -p always -b imx8mp-evk//adsp samples/application_development/number_crunching/
-DLIB_LOCATION=/home/external_lib_location
```

For CMSIS-DSP:

```
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$ unset LIB_LOCATION
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$
west build -p always -b imx8mp-evk//adsp samples/application_development/number_crunching/
```

Creating an application – Solution 2 (Zephyr way)

- Build the application by specifying `-DZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES`

```
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$ west build -p always -b imx8mp_evk//adsp  
samples/application_development/number_crunching/ -DZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES=/home/external_lib_location
```

`/home/external_lib_location`

```
├── blobs  
│   ├── license.txt  
│   └── NatureDSPLib.a  
├── CMakeLists.txt  
├── include  
│   ├── NatureDSP_Signal.h  
│   ├── ...  
│   └── NatureDSP_types.h  
└── zephyr  
    └── module.yml
```

```
name: external_lib_location  
build:  
  cmake: .  
blobs:  
  # NatureDSP lib  
  - path: blobs/NatureDSPLib.a  
    sha256: abcd86abe64a83c33b37e2e9763f16a8c911f2715f8806a9c963450ba8b3abcd  
    type: lib  
    version: '1.0'  
    license-path: zephyr/blobs/license.txt  
    url: https://github.com/foss-xtensa/ndsplib-hifi4/tree/main/NDSP_HiFi4  
    description: "NatureDSP Library for HiFi4 DSP core"  
    doc-url: https://github.com/foss-xtensa/ndsplib-hifi4/tree/main/doc
```

Creating an application – Solution 2

- Build the application by specifying `-DZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES`
- Use binary blobs to link against the library

```
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$ west build -p always -b imx8mp_evk//adsp  
samples/application_development/number_crunching/ -DZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES=/home/external_lib_location
```

`/home/external_lib_location`

```
├── blobs  
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│   └── NatureDSPLib.a  
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│   ├── ...  
│   └── NatureDSP_types.h  
└── zephyr  
    └── module.yml
```

```
name: external_lib_location  
build:  
  cmake: .  
blobs:  
  # NatureDSP lib  
  - path: blobs/NatureDSPLib.a  
    sha256: abcd86abe64a83c33b37e2e9763f16a8c911f2715f8806a9c963450ba8b3abcd  
    type: lib  
    version: '1.0'  
    license-path: zephyr/blobs/license.txt  
    url: https://github.com/foss-xtensa/ndsplib-hifi4/tree/main/NDSP_HiFi4  
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samples/application_development/number_crunching/ -DZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES=/home/external_lib_location
```

/home/external_lib_location

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│   ├── ...  
│   └── NatureDSP_types.h  
└── zephyr  
    └── module.yml
```

```
# SPDX-License-Identifier: Apache-2.0  
  
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.20.0)  
  
zephyr_include_directories(include)  
  
# Link with the external 3rd party library.  
set(LIB_NAME          "NatureDSPLib.a"    CACHE STRING "")  
  
zephyr_link_libraries(${CMAKE_CURRENT_SOURCE_DIR}/blobs/${LIB_NAME})
```


Creating an application – Solution 2

zephyr/samples/

- └─ application_development
 - └─ ...
 - └─ number_crunching
 - └─ **CMakeLists.txt**
 - └─ include
 - └─ input.h
 - └─ math_ops.h
 - └─ prj.conf
 - └─ README.rst
 - └─ sample.yaml
 - └─ src
 - └─ cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
 - └─ main.c
 - └─ math_ops.c
 - └─ nature_dsp_wrapper.c

```
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cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.20.0)

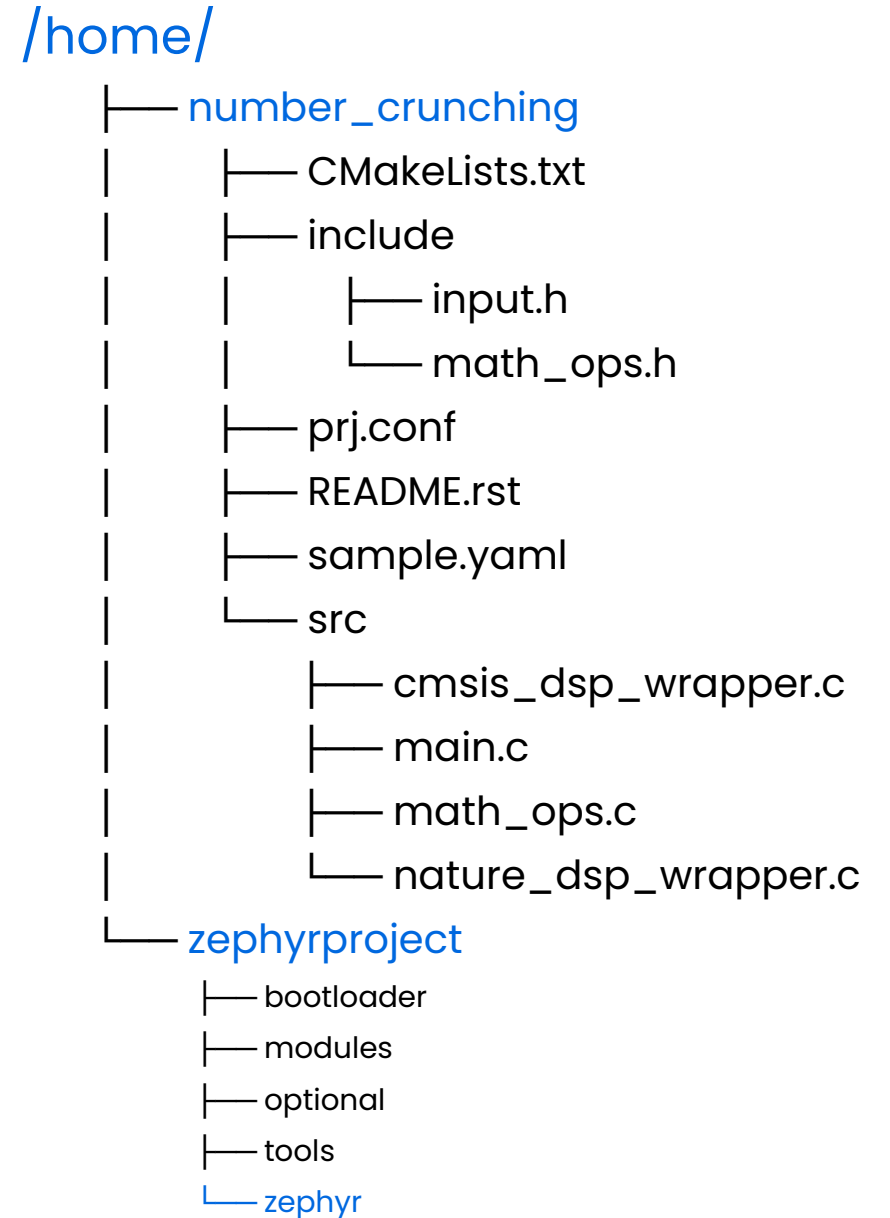
find_package(Zephyr REQUIRED HINTS $ENV{ZEPHYR_BASE})
project(proprietary_lib)

# defines targets and sources
target_sources(app PRIVATE
    src/main.c
    src/math_ops.c
)
zephyr_include_directories(include)

if(DEFINED ZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES)
    message(STATUS "We have a ZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES defined")
    target_sources(app PRIVATE
        src/nature_dsp_wrapper.c
    )
else()
    message(STATUS "ZEPHYR_EXTRA_MODULES NOT defined")
    target_sources(app PRIVATE
        src/cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
    )
endif()
```


Out-of-tree application

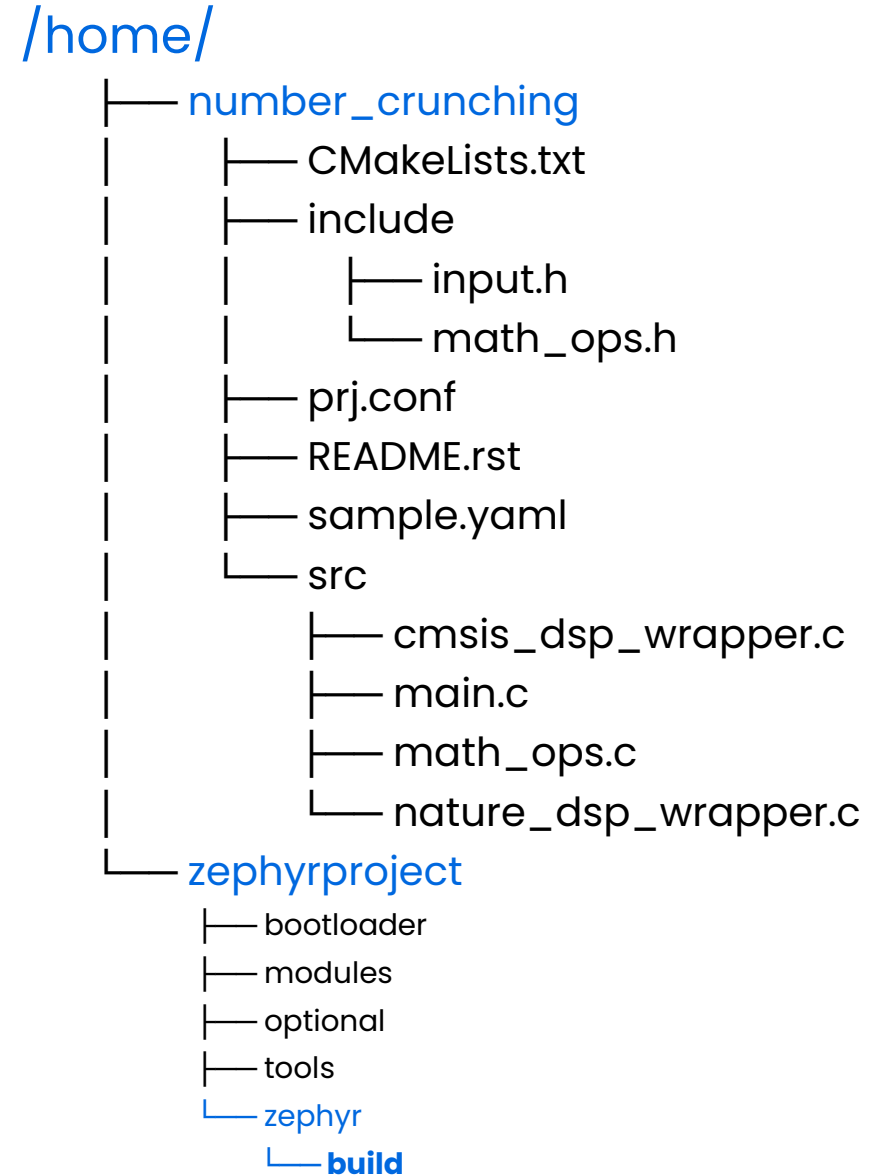
- Same application is moved out of Zephyr workspace
- Everything applies as before, except build command



Building the out-of-tree application

From Zephyr workspace:

```
/home/zephyrproject/zephyr$  
west build -p always -b imx8mp_evk//adsp  
../../number_crunching/
```



Building the out-of-tree application

From outside Zephyr workspace:

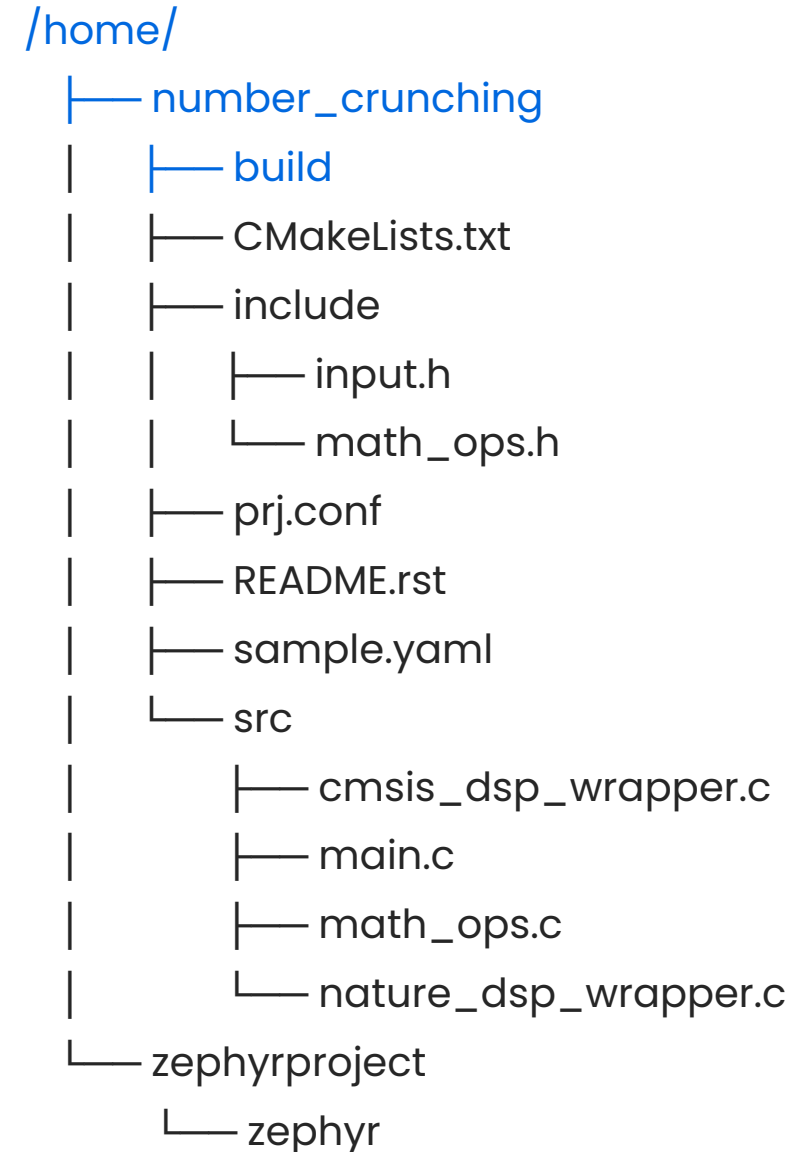
```
# set ZEPHYR_BASE
/home/number_crunching$
export ZEPHYR_BASE=/home/zephyrproject/zephyr
# generate build.ninja files
/home/number_crunching$
cmake -Bbuild -GNinja -DBOARD=imx8mp_evk//adsp
# build the application
/home/number_crunching$ ninja -Cbuild
```

```
/home/
├── number_crunching
│   ├── CMakeLists.txt
│   ├── include
│   │   ├── input.h
│   │   └── math_ops.h
│   ├── prj.conf
│   ├── README.rst
│   ├── sample.yaml
│   └── src
│       ├── cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c
│       ├── main.c
│       ├── math_ops.c
│       └── nature_dsp_wrapper.c
└── zephyrproject
    └── zephyr
```

Building the out-of-tree application

From outside Zephyr workspace:

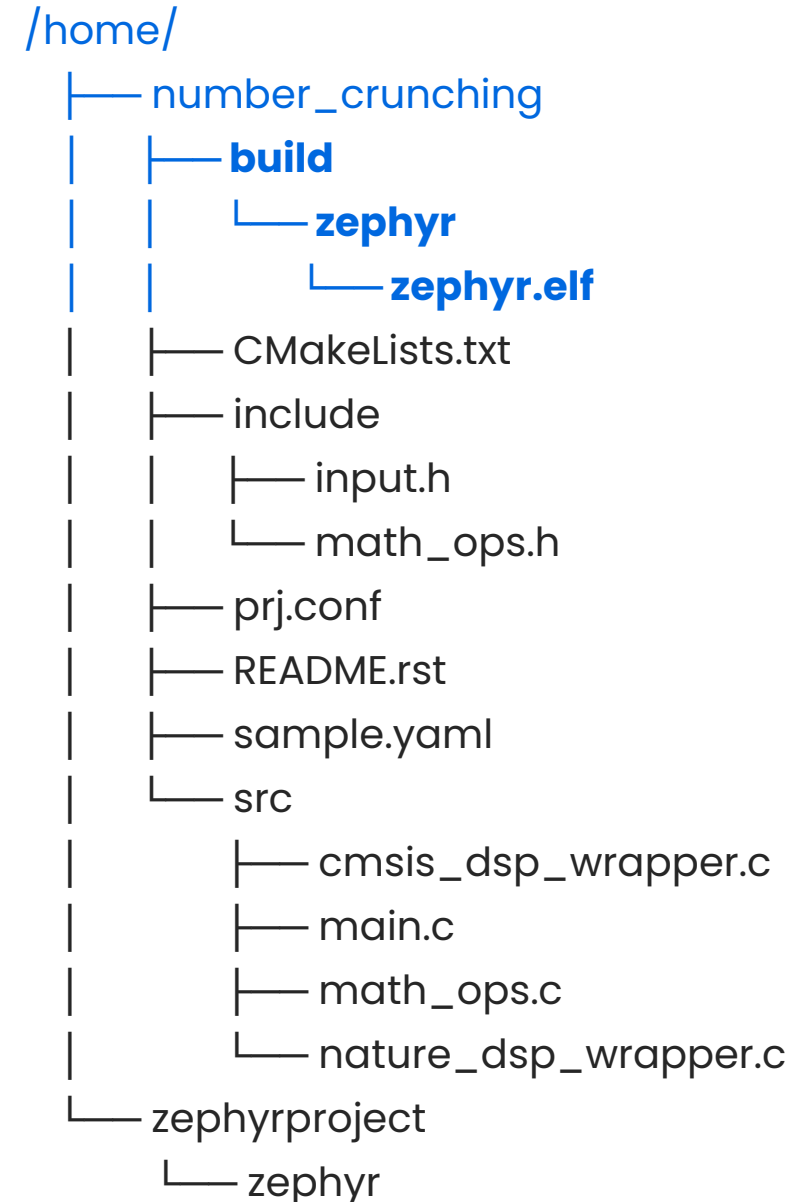
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Building the out-of-tree application

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/home/number_crunching$
cmake -Bbuild -GNinja -DBOARD=imx8mp_evk//adsp
# build the application
/home/number_crunching$ ninja -Cbuild
```



Application custom workspace

- Application west manifest

```
/home/  
└─ number_crunching  
    ├── CMakeLists.txt  
    ├── include  
    │   ├── input.h  
    │   └─ math_ops.h  
    ├── prj.conf  
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    │   ├── cmsis_dsp_wrapper.c  
    │   ├── main.c  
    │   ├── math_ops.c  
    │   └─ nature_dsp_wrapper.c  
    └─ west.yml
```

Application custom workspace

- Application west manifest
 - Select only needed dependencies

```
manifest:
  self:
    west-commands: scripts/west-commands.yml

  remotes:
    - name: zephyrproject-rtos
      url-base: https://github.com/zephyrproject-rtos

  projects:
    - name: zephyr
      remote: zephyrproject-rtos
      revision: main
      import:
        # By using name-allowlist we can clone only the modules that are
        # strictly needed by the application.
        name-allowlist:
          - cmsis-dsp      # required by the application
          - hal_xtensa    # required by the imx8mp_evk//adsp board (Xtensa arch core)
          - hal_nxp       # required by the imx8mp_evk board (NXP board)
```

```
/home/
└─ number_crunching
    ├── CMakeLists.txt
    ├── include
    │   ├── input.h
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    │   └─ nature_dsp_wrapper.c
    └─ west.yml
```

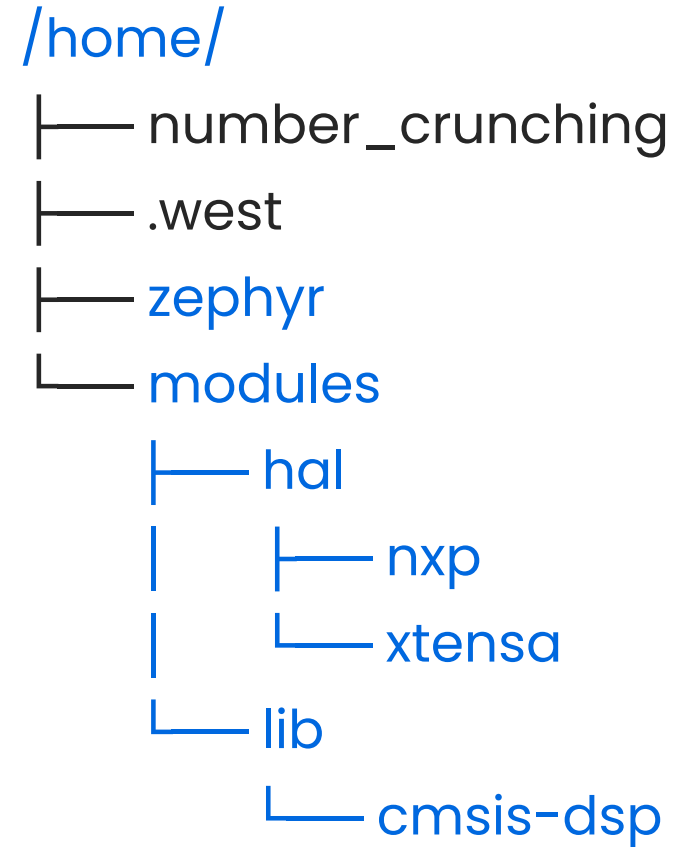


Application custom workspace

- Application west manifest
 - Select only needed dependencies

```
# initialize workspace
/home/workspace$ west init -l number_crunching/
# update Zephyr modules
/home/workspace$ west update

# build the application
/home/workspace$ cd zephyr
/home/workspace/zephyr$
west build -p always -b imx8mp-evk//adsp
../number_crunching/
-- west build: generating a build system
Loading Zephyr default modules (Zephyr base).
-- Application: /home/workspace/number_crunching
...
```



Out-of-tree device driver

- Simplest case
 - (Known) base address of memory mapped registers
 - Interrupt service routine
 - IRQ_CONNECT()
 - irq_enable()

```
*** Booting Zephyr OS build v3.6.0-2484-g33ffc2af3cbc ***
```

```
Interrupt driver example!
```

```
>IRQ is triggered!
```

```
#include <zephyr/kernel.h>
#include <zephyr/irq.h>
#include <stdio.h>

#define DSP_IRQ 19
/* Channel n Interrupt Set Register */
uint32_t *CHn_SET4 = (uint32_t *)0x30a80028;
/* Channel n Interrupt Mask Register */
uint32_t *CHn_MASK4 = (uint32_t *)0x30a80014;
/* Channel n Master Interrupt Disable Register */
uint32_t *CHn_MINTDIS = (uint32_t *)0x30a80040;

void function_isr(void)
{
    *CHn_SET4 = 0x0;
    printk("\r\n >IRQ is triggered!\r\n\n");
}

int main(void)
{
    *CHn_MINTDIS = 0x0;
    *CHn_MASK4 = 0x0;
    *CHn_SET4 = 0x0;

    printk("\r\nInterrupt driver example!\r\n\n");

    /* Initialize the interrupt handler */
    IRQ_CONNECT(DSP_IRQ, 0, function_isr, 0, 0);

    /* Enable the interrupt from DSP_IRQ source */
    irq_enable(DSP_IRQ);

    /* Enable the interrupts */
    *CHn_MINTDIS = 0x0;
    *CHn_MASK4 = 0x1;
    *CHn_SET4 = 0x1;

    return 0;
}
```



Out-of-tree device driver

- Simplest case
 - (Known) base address of memory mapped registers
 - Interrupt service routine
 - IRQ_CONNECT()
 - irq_enable()
- Can be enhanced to be as Zephyr device drivers:
 - use dts/bindings for base address, IRQ number
 - interface with interrupt management subsystem
 - integrate with the build infrastructure

```
#include <zephyr/kernel.h>
#include <zephyr/irq.h>
#include <stdio.h>

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    *CHn_SET4 = 0x0;

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    IRQ_CONNECT(DSP_IRQ, 0, function_isr, 0, 0);

    /* Enable the interrupt from DSP_IRQ source */
    irq_enable(DSP_IRQ);

    /* Enable the interrupts */
    *CHn_MINTDIS = 0x0;
    *CHn_MASK4 = 0x1;
    *CHn_SET4 = 0x1;

    return 0;
}
```

Toolchains

- **Zephyr SDK** contains toolchains for each of Zephyr's supported architectures:
 - ARC (32-bit and 64-bit; ARCV1, ARCV2, ARCV3)
 - ARM (32-bit and 64-bit; ARMv6, ARMv7, ARMv8; A/R/M Profiles)
 - MIPS (32-bit and 64-bit)
 - Nios II
 - RISC-V (32-bit and 64-bit; RV32I, RV32E, RV64I)
 - x86 (32-bit and 64-bit)
 - Xtensa
- Zephyr SDK usage is highly recommended
- Required under certain conditions (e.g., running tests in QEMU for some architectures)

Custom toolchains

- Set environment variables:
 - ZEPHYR_TOOLCHAIN_VARIANT
 - toolchain name
 - TOOLCHAIN_ROOT
 - the path to the directory containing toolchain's CMake configuration file

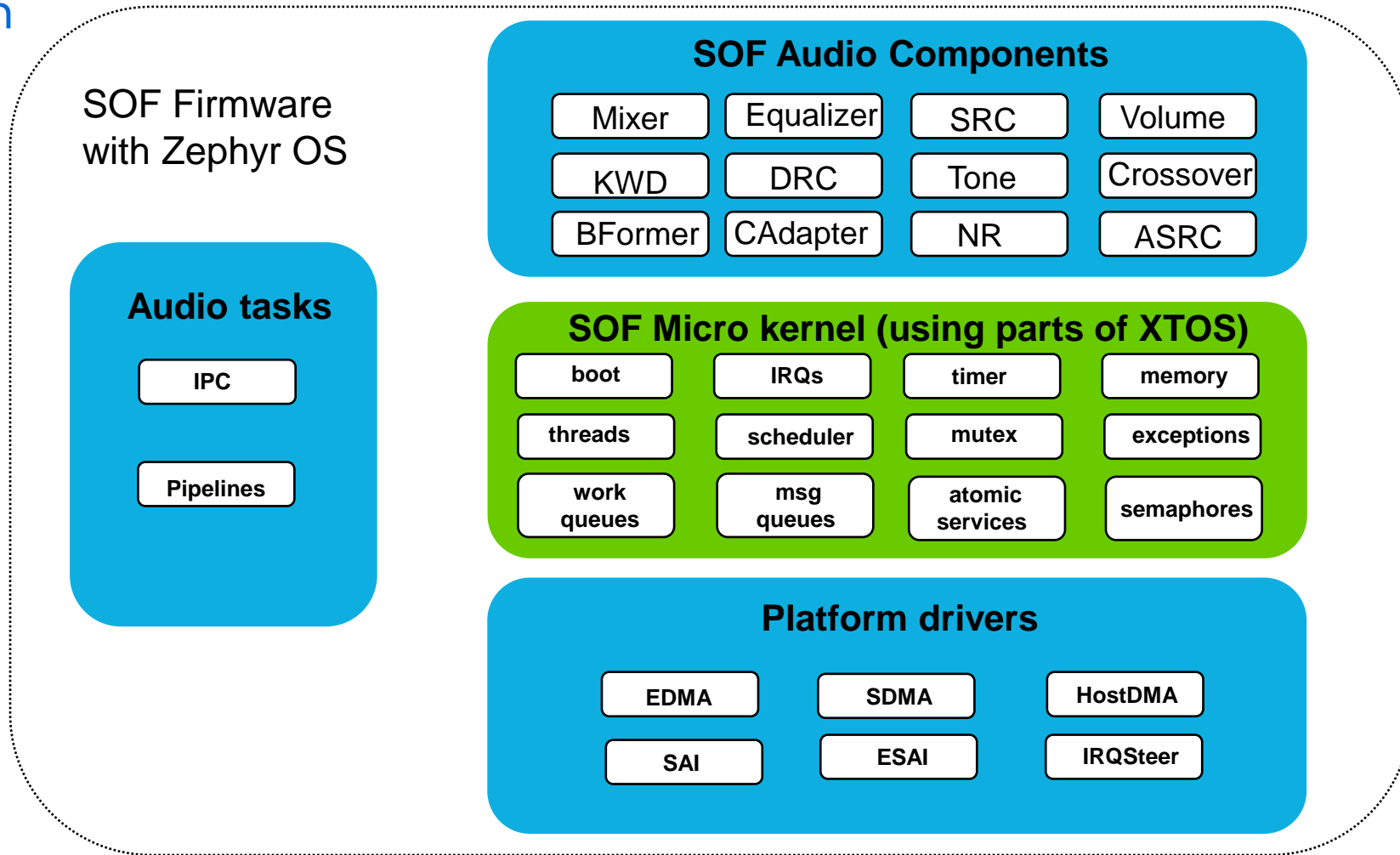
- Or pass them directly when building the application:

```
$ west build ... -- -DZEPHYR_TOOLCHAIN_VARIANT=... -DTOOLCHAIN_ROOT=...
```

```
$ cmake -DZEPHYR_TOOLCHAIN_VARIANT=... -DTOOLCHAIN_ROOT=...
```

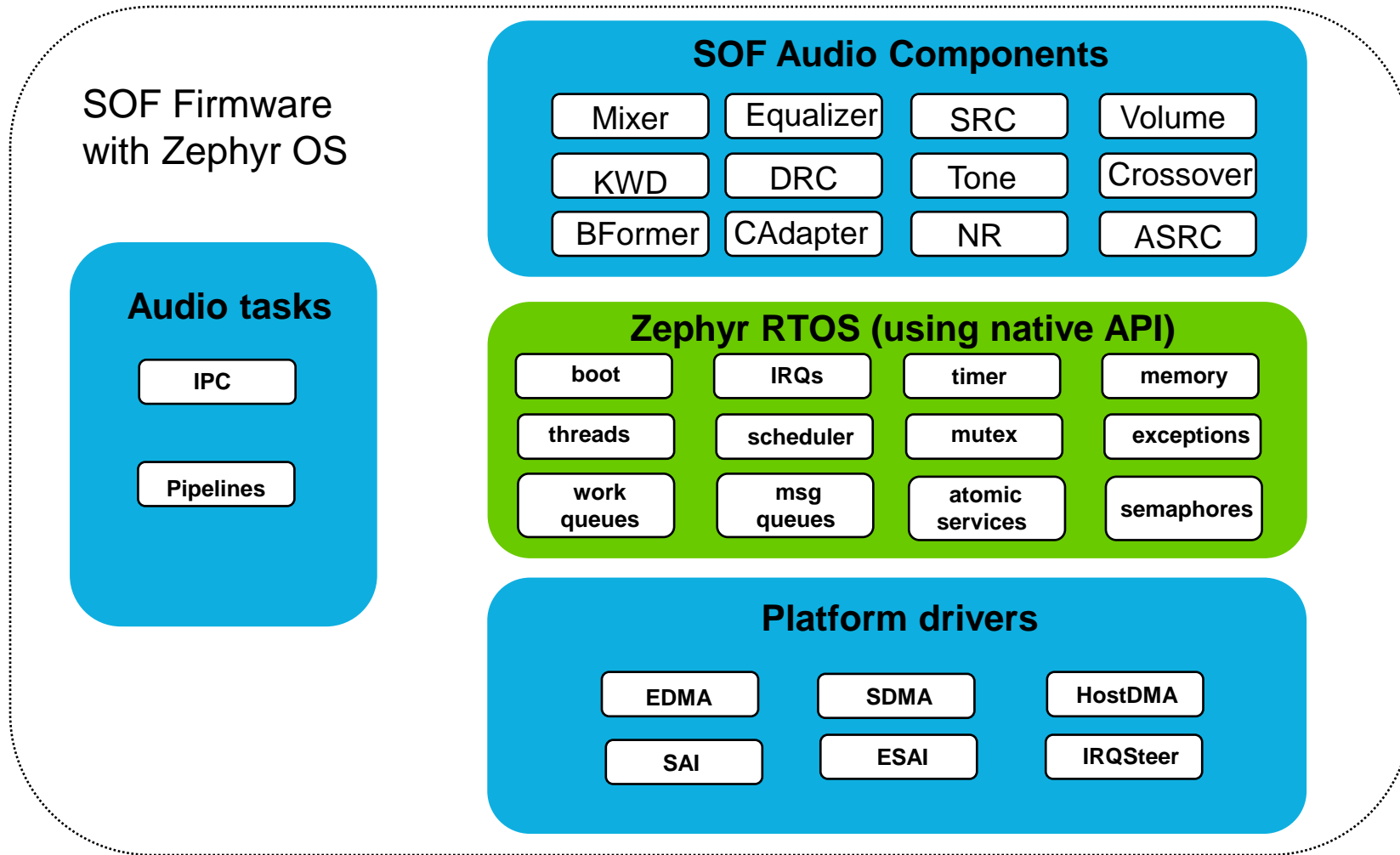
Case study: Sound Open Firmware Zephyr integration

- Open-source audio DSP firmware and SDK
- BSD-3-Clause license firmware and BSD/GPL licensed drivers
- Stage 0: no Zephyr integration



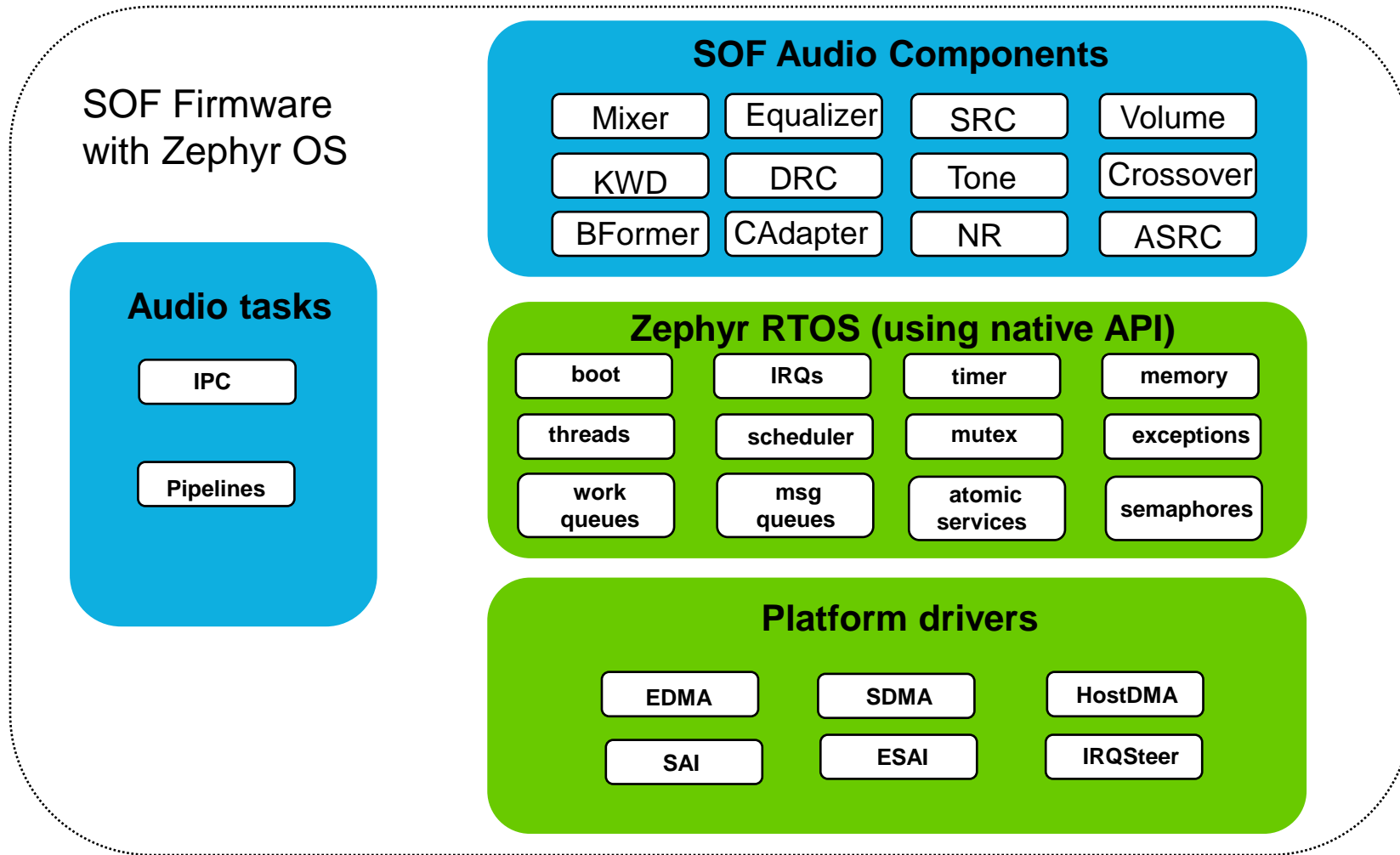
Case study: Sound Open Firmware Zephyr integration

- Added board support for HiFi4 DSP Core in Zephyr (Xtensa arch present)
- Stage 1: out-of-tree application, no Zephyr drivers, Kernel API only



Case study: Sound Open Firmware Zephyr integration

- Port Platform drivers from SOF to Zephyr – ongoing
- Stage 2: optional Zephyr module, Kernel and drivers API



Conclusions

- Zephyr building framework is very powerful
- There are multiple ways to do the same thing
 - Except arch support
- There are extensive [documentation](#) and [examples](#)
- Start simple with an existing application and Zephyr SDK
- Pay attention to [license](#)

Thank you!

Questions?





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