

U-Boot TPL 2019.07 (Sep 01 2019 - 15:37:34 +0530)

Trying to boot from BOOTROM

Returning to boot ROM...

U-Boot SPL 2019.07 (Sep 01 2019 - 15:37:34 +0530)

Trying to boot from MMC1

Expected Linux image is not found. Trying to start U-boot

U-Boot 2019.07 (Sep 01 2019 - 15:37:34 +0530)

Model: Amarula Vyasa-RK3288

DRAM: 2 GiB

MMC: dwmmc@ff0c0000: 1, dwmmc@ff0f0000: 0

Loading Environment from MMC... *** Warning - bad CRC, using default environment

In: serial

Out: serial

Err: serial

Model: Amarula Vyasa-RK3288

Net: eth0: ethernet

Hit any key to stop autoboot:

switch to partition 0

=>

2019 State of U-Boot Development Report

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Jagan Teki

- CEO and Embedded Linux Engineer at Amarula Solutions
 - ◆ *Bootloader*: BootROM, bootloaders, U-Boot, boot bsp, chip/board bring ups, devicetrees, device drivers, boottime, secure boot, atf, optee and etc.
 - ◆ *Embedded Linux*: Linux bsp, devicetrees, device drivers, multimedia, optimizations, integrations and etc.
- Mainline contributions
 - ◆ **Linux**
 - Contributor of Allwinner, Rockchip, i.MX platforms, bsp, device drivers.
 - Maintainer of few **DSI** LCD panels.
 - ◆ **U-Boot**
 - Contributor of Xilinx Zynq, Allwinner, Rockchip, i.MX platforms, bsp, device drivers.
 - Maintainer of Allwinner **sunXi** SoCs
 - Maintainer of **SPI/SPI-NOR** Subsystems
 - ◆ Contributor of **Buildroot**, **Yocto**

Agenda

U-Boot background

- Das U-Boot
- Supporting platforms/languages
- Development process
- Project statistics

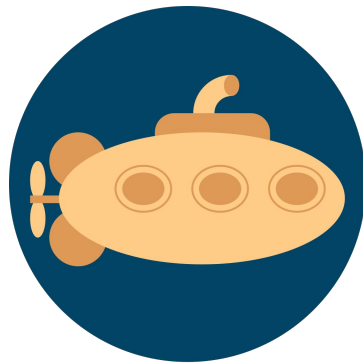
Features merged till v2019.07

- Build systems, tools
- U-Boot, stages
- Image boot, complexities
- Devicetree, improvements
- Driver model
- Firmware upgrades
- Miscellaneous

Summary

- Lessons learned from 18 years of U-Boot
- Future plans

Das U-Boot



U-Boot

1876

Developers

162

Employers

1570136

Lines of Code

~50

Maintainers

**Wolfgang Denk,
Tom Rini**

Head

v2019.07

Recent release

Source: cloc and gitgm with v1.3.0...v2019.10-rc3

Supporting platforms and languages

Architecture/SoC

ARM32: Aspeed, Altera, Allwinner, Atmel, Broadcom, Qemu, Qualcomm, Marvell, NXP, Rockchip, STM32, Tegra, TI, UniPhier, Xilinx

ARM64: Allwinner, Marvell, NXP, Rockchip, Tegra, UniPhier, Xilinx

X86 (Baytrail, Broadwell, Quark, etc)

ARC, M68K, MicroBlaze, MIPS, NDS32, NIOS2, PowerPC, RISC-V, Sandbox, SuperH, Xtensa

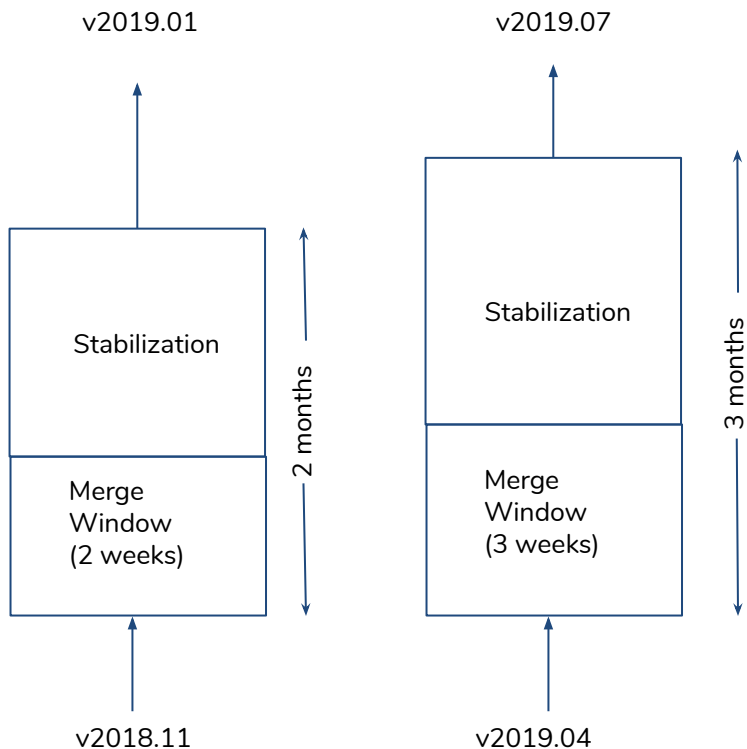
Boards

185+ different board vendors
~1400 different boards

Language

C
C/C++ Header
Assembly
Python
make
Perl
Bourne Shell
C++
yacc
YAML
Glade
lex
NAnt script
Markdown
Bourne Again Shell
DOS Batch
CSS
Kermit
Tcl/Tk
sed
INI

Development process



U-Boot Version	Release Date	Development Duration
v2019.07	2019-07-18	101
v2019.04	2019-04-08	84
v2019.01	2019-01-14	61
v2018.11	2018-11-14	65
v2018.09	2018-09-10	63
v2018.07	2018-07-09	63
v2018.05	2018-05-07	55
v2018.03	2018-03-13	64
v2018.01	2018-01-08	56
v2017.11	2017-11-13	63
v2017.09	2017-09-11	63
v2017.07	2017-07-10	63
v2017.05	2017-05-08	56
v2017.03	2017-03-13	63
v2017.01	2017-01-09	56
v2016.11	2016-11-14	63

U-Boot Changesets, Code size

U-Boot Version	Development Duration	Change Set	No.Of Lines++	No.Of Lines--
v2019.07	101	2047	169802	64752
v2019.04	84	1193	76038	22237
v2019.01	61	1149	99015	19344
v2018.11	65	1105	78339	18402
v2018.09	63	983	62059	23685
v2018.07	63	1055	88664	54500
v2018.05	55	977	72596	38379
v2018.03	64	1193	101060	25747
v2018.01	56	785	46990	31695
v2017.11	63	989	107828	22718
v2017.09	63	1308	64047	36307
v2017.07	63	1371	100569	201667
v2017.05	56	915	86135	116801
v2017.03	63	664	41330	31385
v2017.01	56	883	112574	72846
v2016.11	63	1031	73321	20937

Who is Contributing the work

Developer Name	Changeset
Simon Glass	4951
Wolfgang Denk	3523
Tom Rini	3015
Marek Vasut	2081
Masahiro Yamada	2037
Stefan Roese	1737
Michal Simek	1255
Bin Meng	1232
Heinrich Schuchardt	919
Fabio Estevam	899
Jagan Teki	853
Mike Frysinger	808
Stephen Warren	746
Kumar Gala	662
Peng Fan	614
Heiko Schocher	611
York Sun	587
Hans de Goede	548
Nobuhiro Iwamatsu	474
Kever Yang	435
Lokesh Vutla	415
Joe Hershberger	409
Stefano Babic	403
Philipp Tomsich	379

Note: Top 25 developers/employers till v2019.10-rc3

Who is Sponsoring the work

Employer Name	Changeset	%
(Unknown)	14229	26.8%
NXP	5979	11.3%
Google, Inc.	5206	9.8%
DENX Software Engineering	5041	9.5%
Texas Instruments	3021	5.7%
Xilinx	1538	2.9%
Socionext Inc.	1178	2.2%
Samsung	1130	2.1%
NVIDIA	941	1.8%
Analog Devices	908	1.7%
Panasonic	879	1.7%
ST Microelectronics	868	1.6%
Konsulko Group	728	1.4%
Amarula Solutions	690	1.3%
Linaro	683	1.3%
Rockchip	669	1.3%
Red Hat	551	1.0%
Atmel	490	0.9%
Renesas Electronics	447	0.8%
Guntermann & Drunck	442	0.8%
Bootlin	426	0.8%
National Instruments	415	0.8%
Toradex	408	0.8%
CompuLab	340	0.6%

Who is Reporting the work

Employer Name	Changeset	%
Simon Glass	61	9.1%
Fabio Estevam	53	7.9%
Tom Rini	46	6.8%
Michal Simek	36	5.4%
Lokesh Vutla	35	5.2%
Alexander Graf	32	4.8%
Masahiro Yamada	28	4.2%
Heinrich Schuchardt	27	4.0%
Stephen Warren	19	2.8%
Nishanth Menon	19	2.8%
Bin Meng	15	2.2%
Joe Hershberger	12	1.8%
Chris Packham	11	1.6%
Patrice Chotard	11	1.6%
Mike Frysinger	10	1.5%
Philipp Tomsich	8	1.2%
Anatolij Gustschin	8	1.2%
Simon Goldschmidt	8	1.2%
Hans de Goede	7	1.0%
York Sun	6	0.9%
Jagan Teki	6	0.9%
Jean-Jacques Hiblot	6	0.9%
Roger Quadros	6	0.9%
Kim Phillips	6	0.9%
Marek Vasut	5	0.7%

Note: Top 25 bug reports till v2019.10-rc3

Bringing in new developers

U-Boot Version	Change Set	No.Of Developers	No.Of Employers
v2019.07	2047	215	28
v2019.04	1193	182	25
v2019.01	1149	140	25
v2018.11	1105	130	28
v2018.09	983	138	28
v2018.07	1055	141	27
v2018.05	977	128	23
v2018.03	1193	151	25
v2018.01	785	132	29
v2017.11	989	123	27
v2017.09	1308	130	25
v2017.07	1371	129	27
v2017.05	915	139	26
v2017.03	664	126	26
v2017.01	883	136	24
v2016.11	1031	114	22

U-Boot Build Systems

- Kbuild
- Kconfig
- Tools

Kbuild

Gitlab master or dev tree at

<https://gitlab.com/u-boot/u-boot>

Custodian's or Maintainers tree at

<https://gitlab.denx.de/u-boot/custodians>

Example of building vyasa RK3288 board

```
$ git clone git://gitlab.com/u-boot/u-boot.git
```

```
$ u-boot
```

```
$ export ARCH=arm
```

```
$ export
```

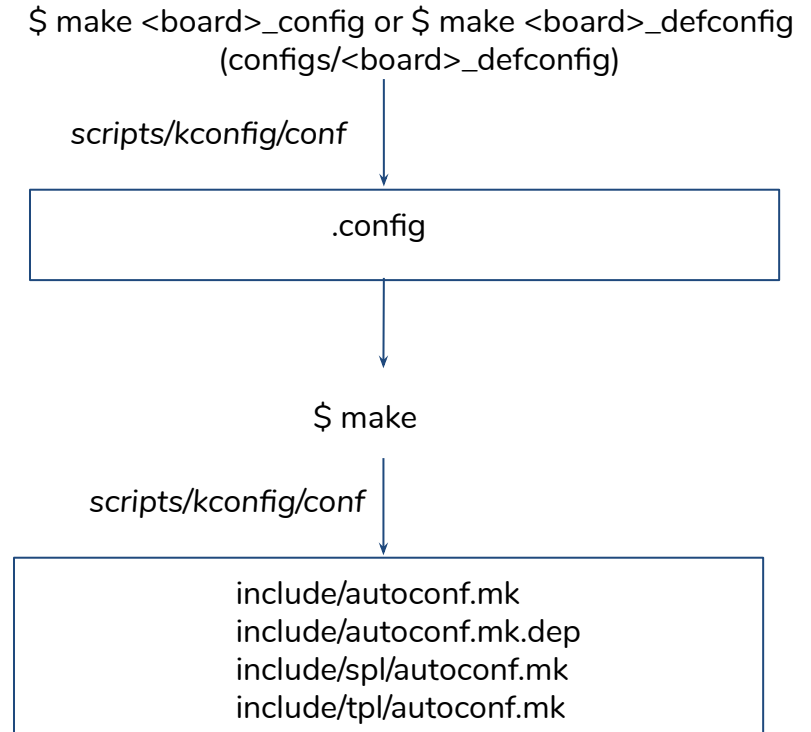
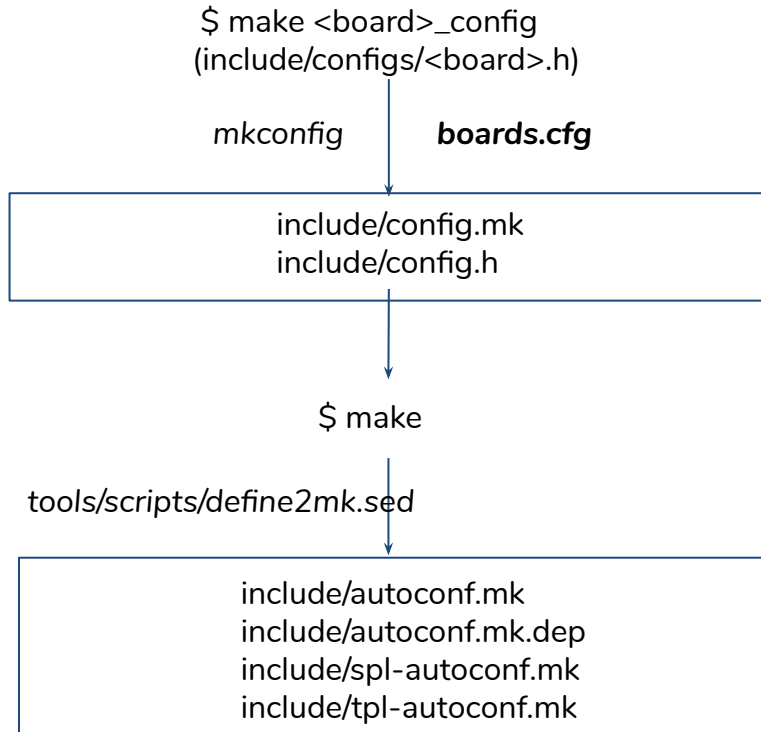
```
CROSS_COMPILE=arm-linux-gnueabi-
```

```
$ make vyasa-rk3288_defconfig
```

```
$ make
```

1.	scripts/kconfig/conf --syncconfig Kconfig	1.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/sdram_common.o	
2.	CHK	include/config.h	2.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk_timer.o
3.	UPD	include/config.h	3.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/clk_rk3288.o
4.	CFG	u-boot.cfg	4.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/rk3288.o
5.	GEN	include/autoconf.mk	5.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/syscon_rk3288.o
6.	GEN	include/autoconf.mk.dep	6.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/bootrom.o
7.	CFG	spl/u-boot.cfg	7.	CC	spl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288-board-spl.o
8.	GEN	spl/include/autoconf.mk	8.	CC	spl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cache_v7.o
9.	CFG	tpl/u-boot.cfg	9.	CC	spl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cpu.o
10.	GEN	tpl/include/autoconf.mk	10.	AS	spl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/lowlevel_init.o
11.	CHK	include/config/uboot.release	11.	AS	spl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/start.o
12.	UPD	include/config/uboot.release	12.	LD	spl/u-boot-spl
13.	CHK	include/generated/version_autogenerated.h	13.	OBJCOPY	spl/u-boot-spl-nodtb.bin
14.	UPD	include/generated/version_autogenerated.h	14.	COPY	spl/u-boot-spl.dtb
15.	CHK	include/generated/timestamp_autogenerated.h	15.	CAT	spl/u-boot-spl-dtb.bin
16.			16.	COPY	spl/u-boot-spl.bin
17.	LD	arch/arm/cpu/built-in.o	17.		
18.	CC	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cache_v7.o	18.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/sdram_common.o
19.	AS	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cache_v7_asm.o	19.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk_timer.o
20.	CC	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cpu.o	20.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/clk_rk3288.o
21.	CC	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cp15.o	21.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/rk3288.o
22.	CC	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/syslib.o	22.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/syscon_rk3288.o
23.	AS	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/sctlr.o	23.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/bootrom.o
24.	AS	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/lowlevel_init.o	24.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288-board-tpl.o
25.	LD	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/built-in.o	25.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cache_v7.o
26.	AS	arch/arm/cpu/armv7/start.o	26.	AS	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cache_v7_asm.o
27.	CC	arch/arm/lib/eabi_compat.o	27.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cpu.o
28.	AS	arch/arm/lib/crt0_arm_efi.o	28.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/cp15.o
29.	CC	arch/arm/lib/reloc_arm_efi.o	29.	CC	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/syslib.o
30.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/boot_mode.o	30.	AS	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/lowlevel_init.o
31.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288-board.o	31.	AS	tpl/arch/arm/cpu/armv7/start.o
32.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/sdram_common.o	32.	LDS	tpl/u-boot-spl.lds
33.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk_timer.o	33.	LD	tpl/u-boot-tpl
34.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/clk_rk3288.o	34.	OBJCOPY	tpl/u-boot-tpl-nodtb.bin
35.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/rk3288.o	35.	COPY	tpl/u-boot-tpl.bin
36.	CC	arch/arm/mach-rockchip/rk3288/syscon_rk3288.o	36.	COPY	u-boot.dtb
37.	CC	board/amarula/vyasa-rk3288/vyasa-rk3288.o	37.	MKIMAGE	u-boot-dtb.img

Kconfig

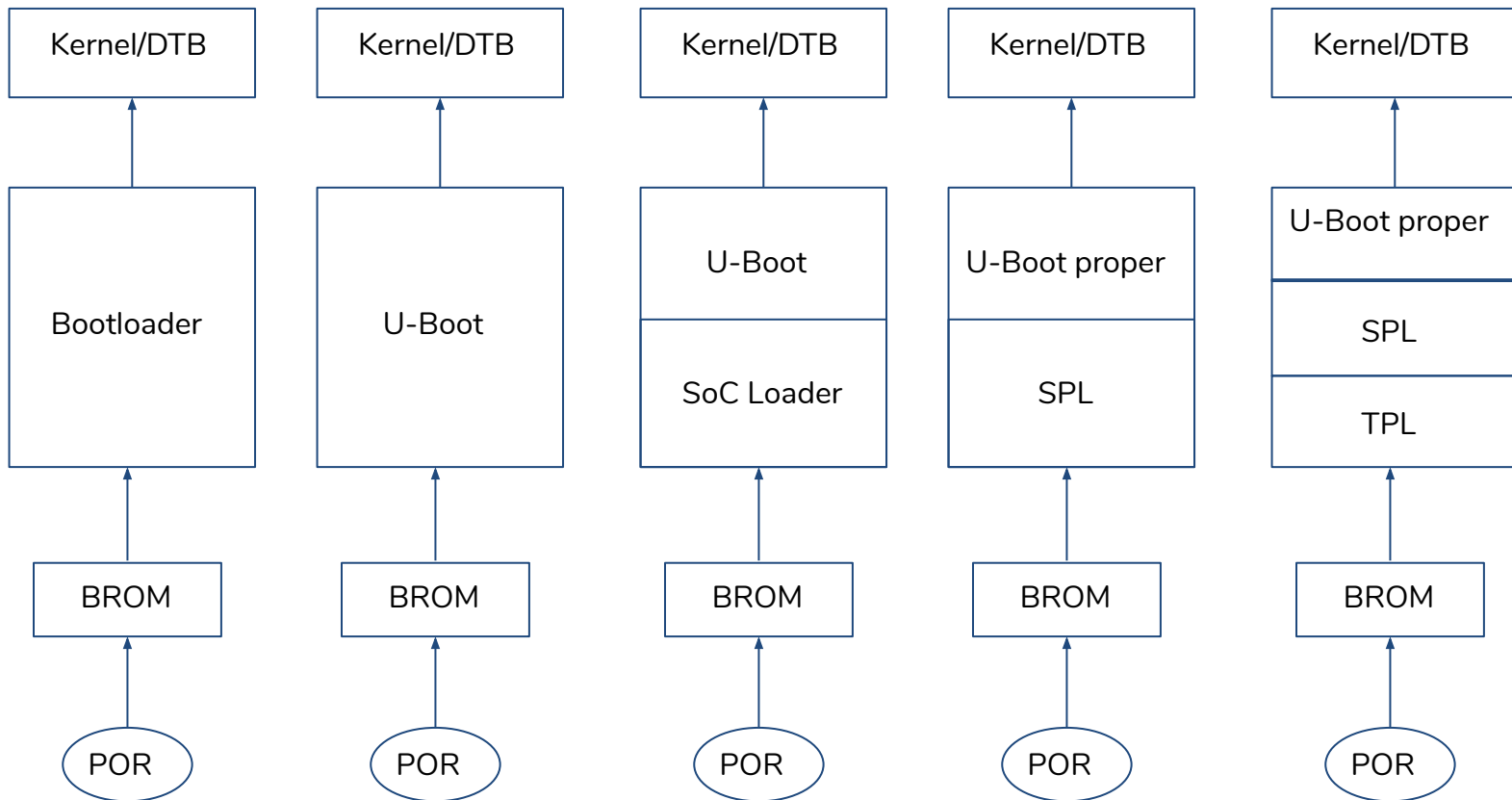


Tools: Build, Testing

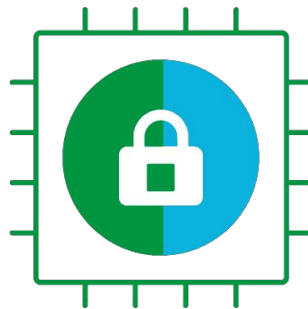
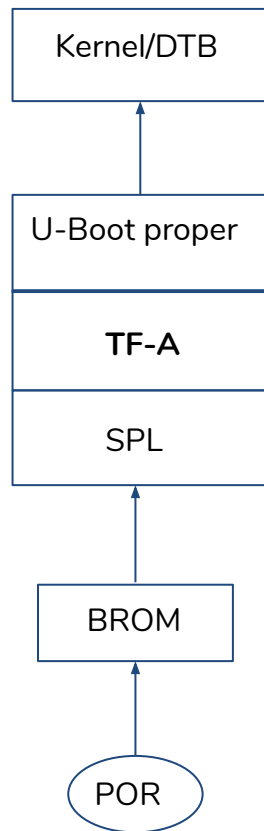
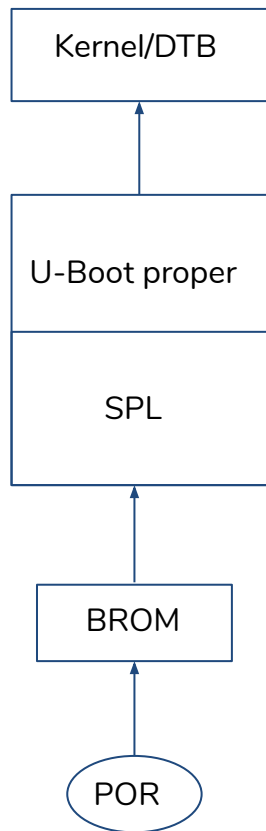
- Patman
 - ◆ Manual patch creation, cover-letter, adding maintainers etc can be error-prone.
 - ◆ Create patch, insert cover-letter, add maintainer (via ~/.git-mailrc), run checkpatch.pl etc
 - ◆ How to use? tools/patman/README
- Buildman
 - ◆ U-Boot builder for multiple commits, branches etc
 - ◆ Replaced by legacy MAKEALL
 - ◆ Understandable output summary
 - ◆ tools/buildman/README
- travis-ci.org
 - ◆ Automated build environment, with limited run-time, free to use
 - ◆ May take longer duration, if more jobs are initiated
 - ◆ .travis.yml, u-boot travis build plugin
- test.py
 - ◆ Pytest framework
 - ◆ Works for sandbox, qemu, some real hardware
 - ◆ Sanity tests for dm code
 - ◆ doc/README.trace
- trace
 - ◆ Kind of Linux ftrace
 - ◆ Collect execution and sent to host for analysis

U-Boot, Stages

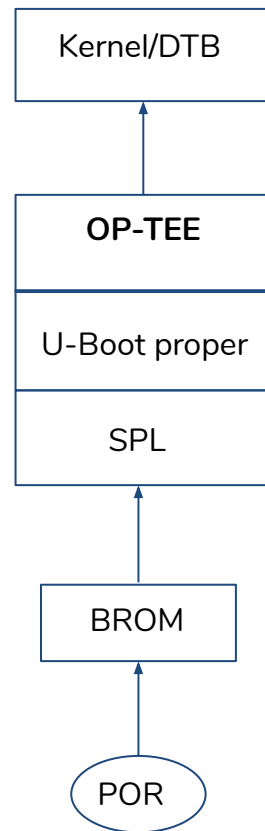
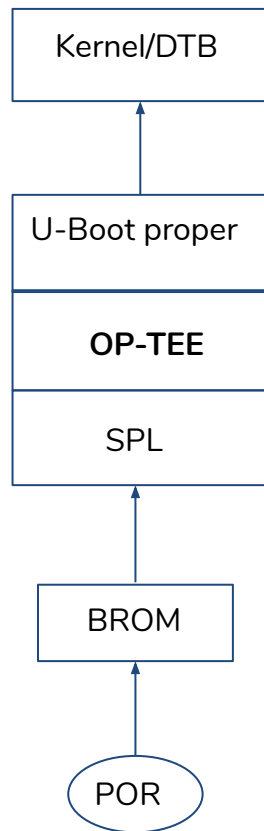
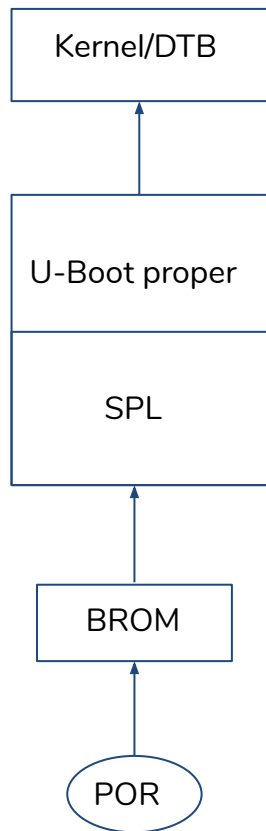
U-Boot



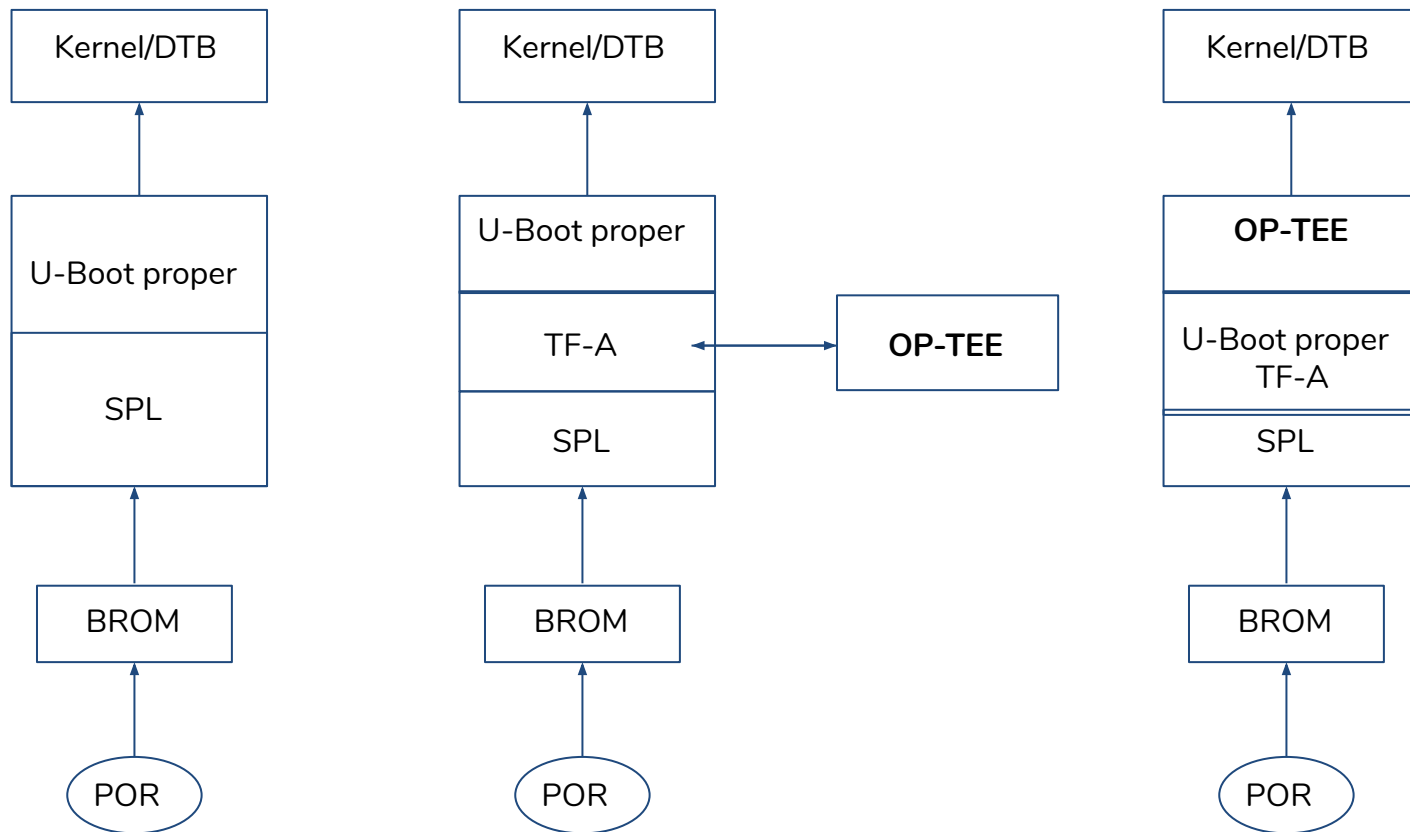
TF-A



OP-TEE, ARMv7



OP-TEE, ARMv8



U-Boot Sequence

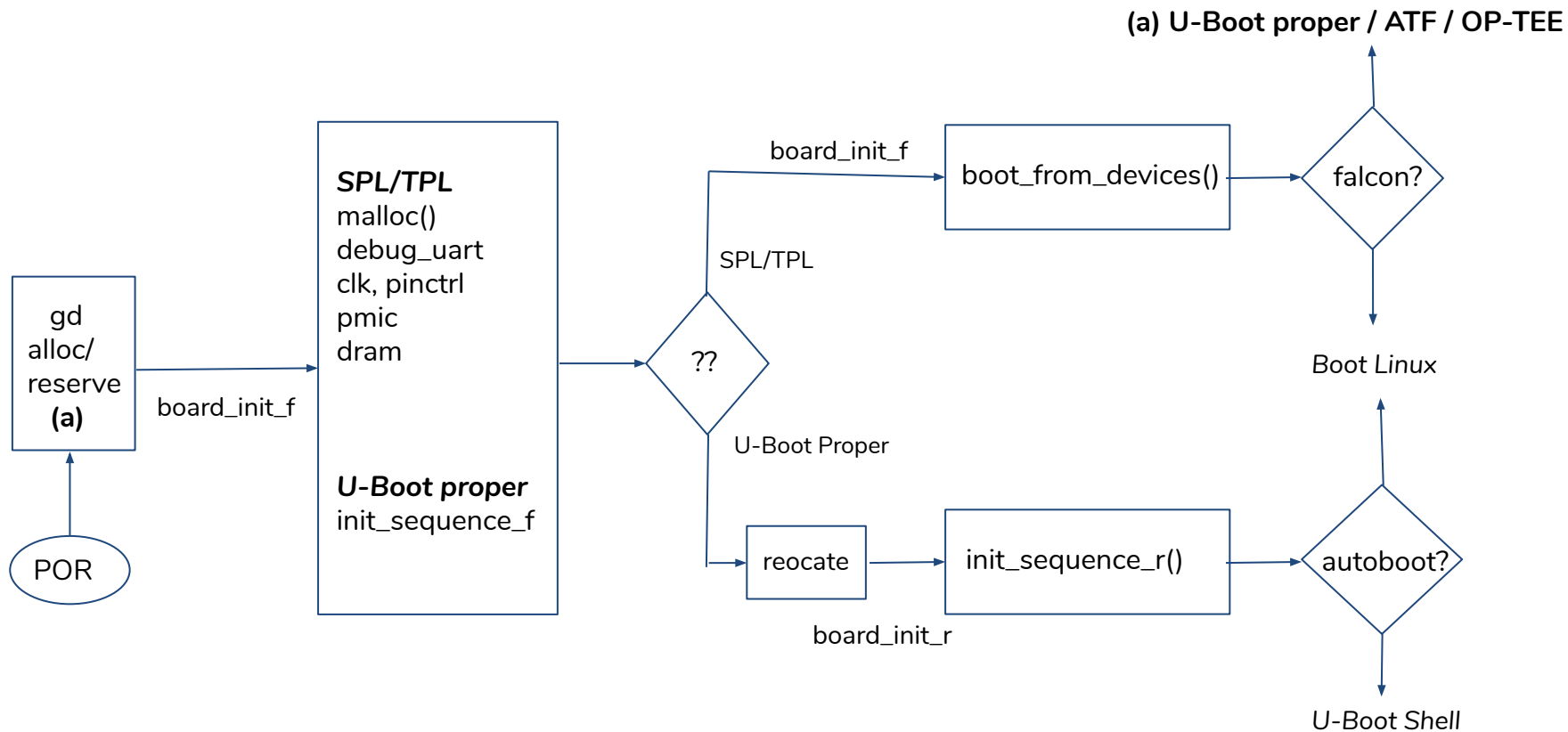


Image boot, Complexity

- Legacy image
- FIT
- Verified image
- Secure boot
- Falcon mode
- EFI boot
- Distro boot

Legacy Image

- Fixed offset images - standalone, zImage binaries
- go addr [arg ...]
- u-boot Image format
- Single component ulmage
- Monolithic, combination of images
- bootm [addr [arg ...]]

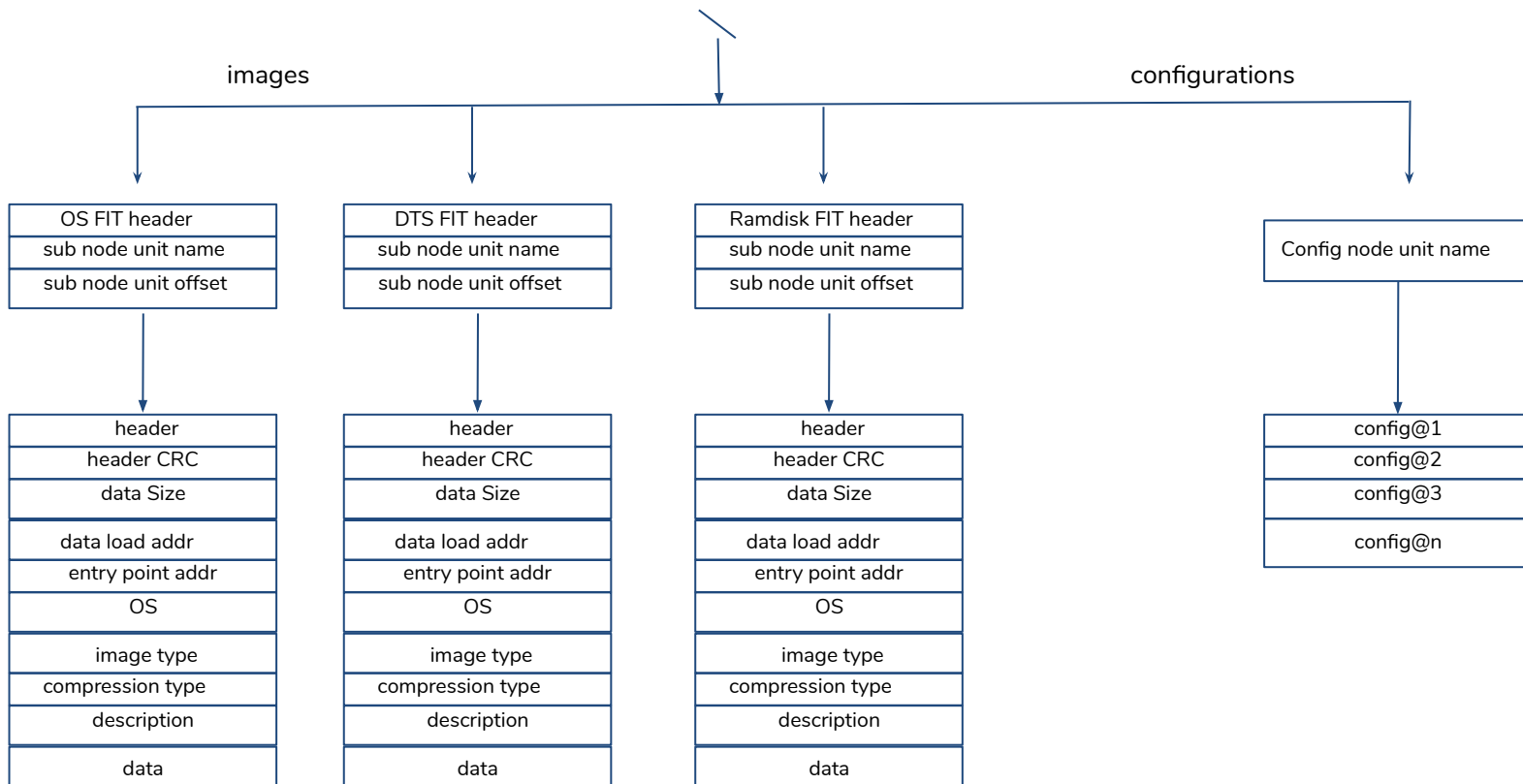
? Not flexible, indexing

? No hash integrity

? No scope of security addition

```
1 $ mkimage \  
2 > -A arm \  
3 > -O linux \  
4 > -T kernel \  
5 > -a 0x10008000 \  
6 > -e 0x10008000 \  
7 > -n "Linux-4.19.0-rc2" \  
8 > -d zImage uImage  
9 Image Name: Linux-4.19.0-rc2-next-20180905-0  
10 Created: Tue Sep 11 23:07:55 2018  
11 Image Type: ARM Linux Kernel Image (uncompressed)  
12 Data Size: 8372992 Bytes = 8176.75 kB = 7.99 MB  
13 Load Address: 10008000  
14 Entry Point: 10008000  
15  
16  
17 $ mkimage  
18 > -A arm \  
19 > -O linux \  
20 > -T multi \  
21 > -a 0x10008000 \  
22 > -e 0x10008000 \  
23 > -n 'Multi image' \  
24 > -d vmlinux.bin.gz:ramdisk.image.gz:imx6q-icore-rqs.dtb uMulti  
25 Image Name: Multi image  
26 Created: Tue Sep 11 23:07:55 2018  
27 Image Type: ARM Linux Multi-File Image (gzip compressed)  
28 Data Size: 82092755 Bytes = 80168.71 KiB = 78.29 MiB  
29 Load Address: 10008000  
30 Entry Point: 10008000  
31 Contents:  
32 Image 0: 7609333 Bytes = 7430.99 KiB = 7.26 MiB  
33 Image 1: 74445331 Bytes = 72700.52 KiB = 71.00 MiB  
34 Image 2: 38071 Bytes = 37.18 KiB = 0.04 MiB  
35
```

FIT (Flattened Image Tree)



FIT, contd

```
1 /dts-v1/;
2 / {
3     description = "FIT with single Linux kernel and FDT blob";
4     #address-cells = <1>;
5     images {
6         kernel@1 {
7             description = "i.MX6 Linux kernel";
8             data = /incbin(/". /vmlinux.bin.gz");
9             type = "kernel";
10            arch = "arm";
11            os = "linux";
12            compression = "gzip";
13            load = <0x10008000>;
14            entry = <0x10008000>;
15            hash@1 {
16                algo = "md5";
17            };
18            hash@2 {
19                algo = "sha1";
20            };
21        };
22        fdt@1 {
23            description = "Engicam i.CoreM6 Quad/Dual RQS Starter Kit Devicetree blob";
24            data = /incbin(/". /imx6q-icore-rqs.dtb");
25            type = "flat_dt";
26            arch = "arm";
27            compression = "none";
28            hash@1 {
29                algo = "md5";
30            };
31            hash@2 {
32                algo = "sha1";
33            };
34        };
35    };
36 };
37
38 configurations {
39     default = "conf@1";
40     conf@1 {
41         description = "Boot Linux kernel with FDT blob";
42         kernel = "kernel@1";
43         fdt = "fdt@1";
44     };
45 };
46 };
```

```
1 icore6qdl-rqs> fatload mmc 0:1 $loadaddr fit.itb
2 reading fit.itb
3 6167494 bytes read in 335 ms (17.6 MiB/s)
4 icore6qdl-rqs> bootm $loadaddr
5 Booting FIT image from mmc ...
6 ## Loading kernel from FIT Image at 12000000 ...
7 Using 'conf@1' configuration
8 Verifying Hash Integrity ... OK
9 Trying 'kernel@1' kernel subimage
10 Description: i.MX6 Linux kernel
11 Type: Kernel Image
12 Compression: gzip compressed
13 Data Start: 0x120000f0
14 Data Size: 6130148 Bytes = 5.8 MiB
15 Architecture: ARM
16 OS: Linux
17 Load Address: 0x10008000
18 Entry Point: 0x10008000
19 Hash algo: md5
20 Hash value: b975a202ea2963c53c53f527329930cd
21 Hash algo: sha1
22 Hash value: 78b93fe404b795de8c837af27d67f4df9b96083a
23 Verifying Hash Integrity ... md5+ sha1+ OK
24 ## Loading fdt from FIT Image at 12000000 ...
25 Using 'conf@1' configuration
26 Trying 'fdt@1' fdt subimage
27 Description: Engicam i.CoreM6 Quad/Dual RQS Starter Kit Devicetree blob
28 Type: Flat Device Tree
29 Compression: uncompressed
30 Data Start: 0x125d8dbc
31 Data Size: 35298 Bytes = 34.5 KiB
32 Architecture: ARM
33 Hash algo: md5
34 Hash value: 4371a4dfe55127c2fda8a9feb4d3b313
35 Hash algo: sha1
36 Hash value: e34a9326b5e7fd43557753ef980fe67326f82ea1
37 Verifying Hash Integrity ... md5+ sha1+ OK
38 Booting using the fdt blob at 0x125d8dbc
39 Uncompressing Kernel Image ... OK
40 Using Device Tree in place at 125d8dbc, end 125e479d
41
42 Starting kernel ...
```

FIT Complexity ?

Multiple kernel, dtb, ramdisk

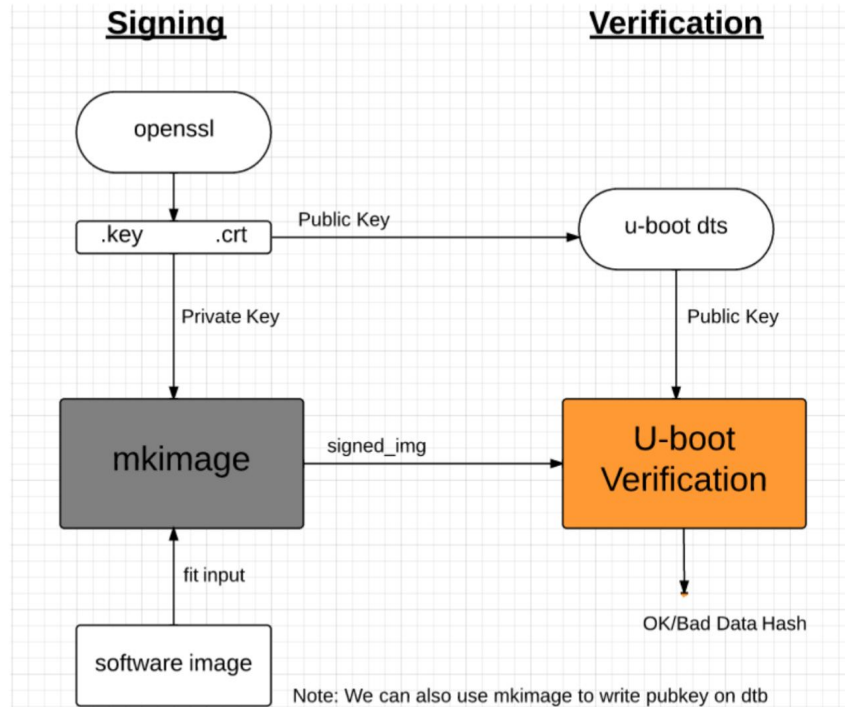
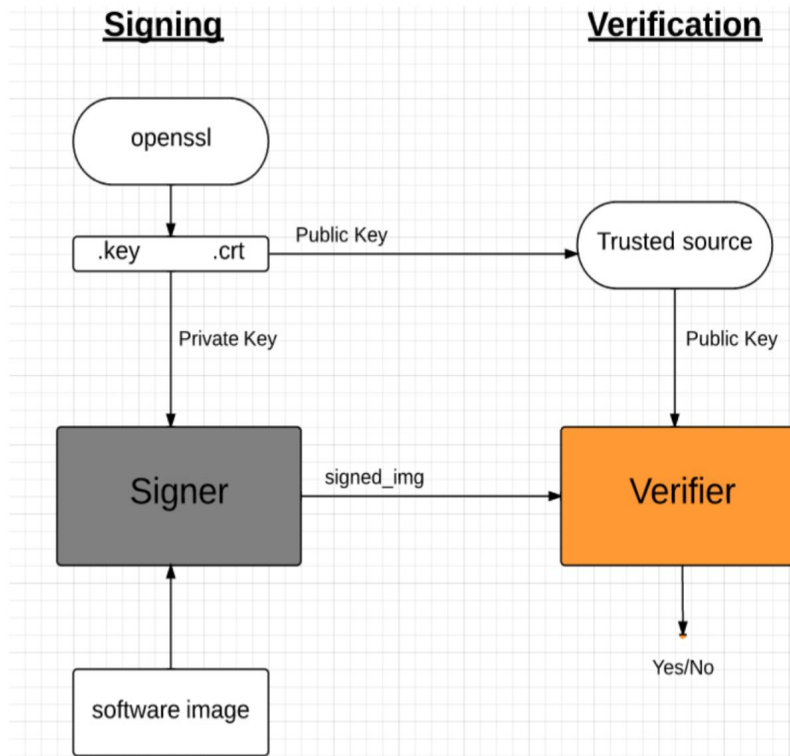
bit file, fpga

ATF

OPTEE

new image type?

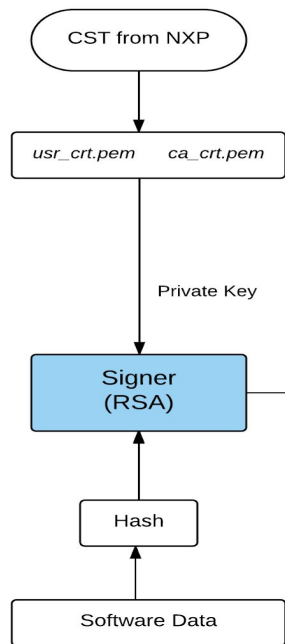
Verified boot (Software)



Secure boot, Signed

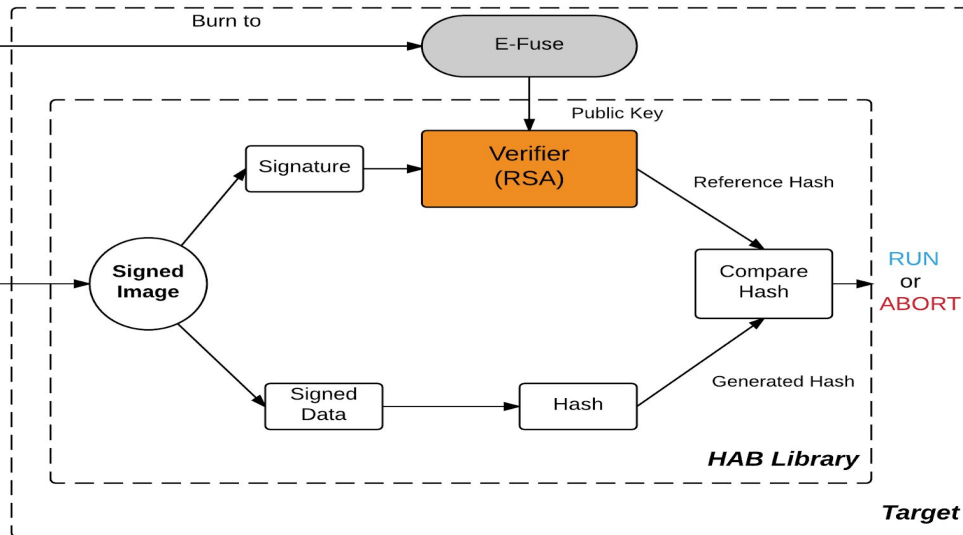
Signing

(Image Signing using Private key)



Verification

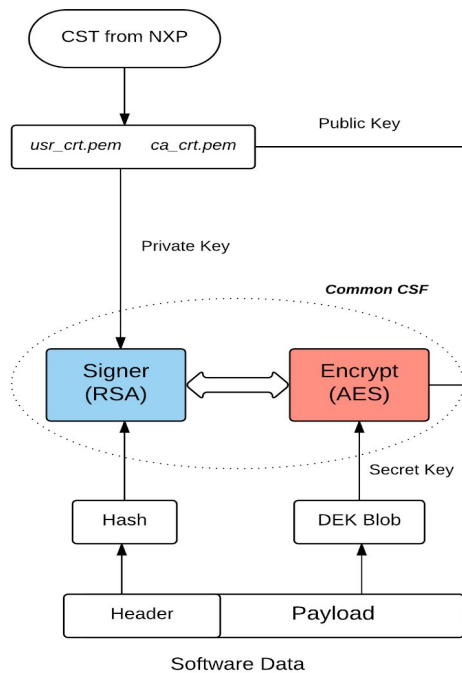
(Image Verify/authenticate using Public key)



Secure boot, Encrypted

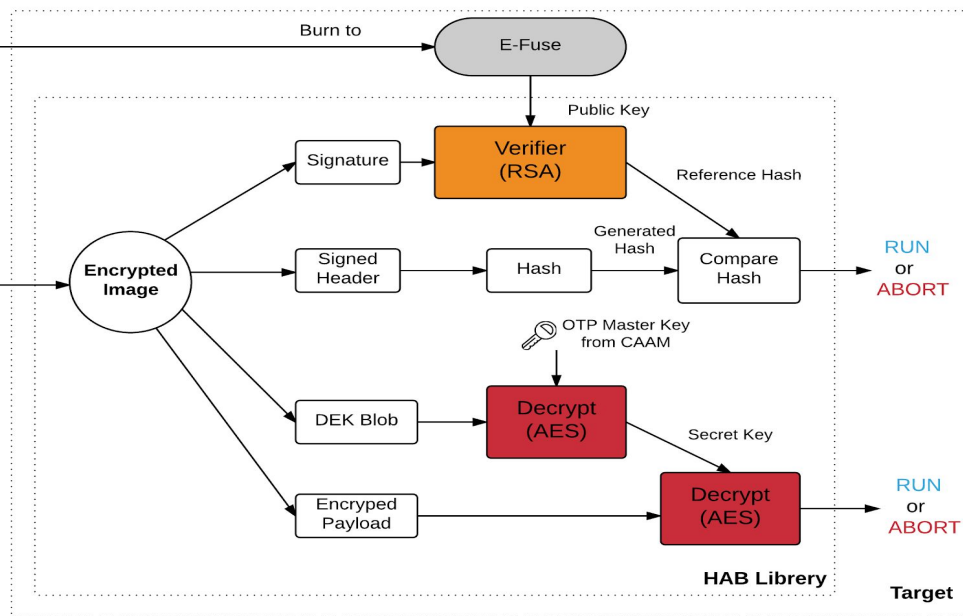
Encryption

(Image Encrypt using Secret key)

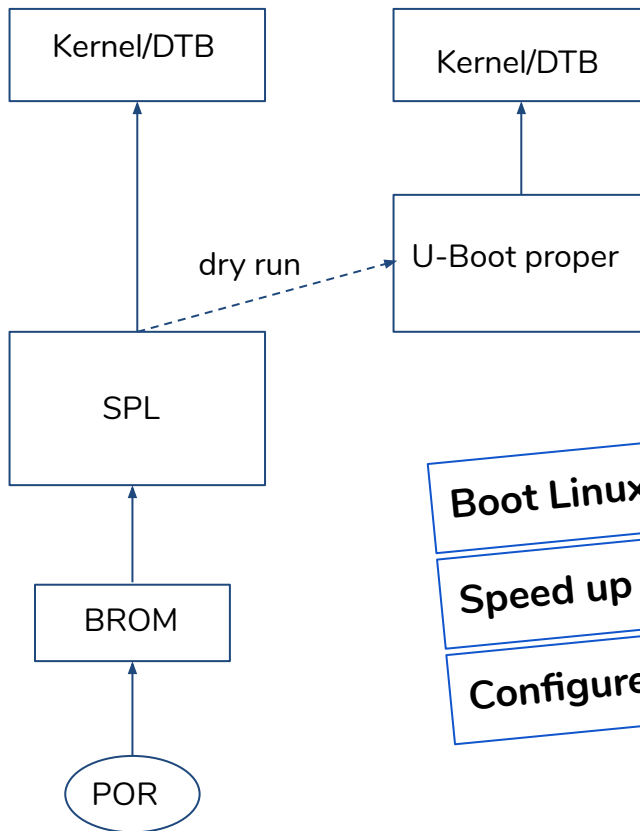
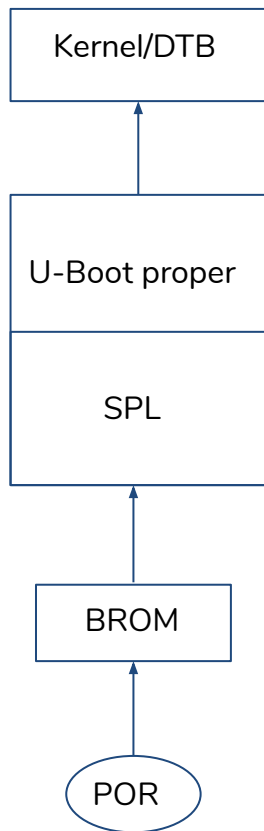


Decryption

(Image Decrypt using Secret key)



Falcon mode



Boot Linux from SPL

Speed up boot

Configure falcon, during dryrun

Falcon, is useful?

```
[0.001344 0.001342] U-Boot TPL 2017.09-rc2-13373-g2cffd0d-dirty (Aug 31 2017 - 20:41:14)
[0.005975 0.004631] Trying to boot from BOOTROM
[0.008394 0.002419] Returning to boot ROM...
[0.216735 0.208341]
[0.217195 0.000460] U-Boot SPL 2017.09-rc2-13373-g2cffd0d-dirty (Aug 31 2017 - 20:41:14)
[0.223097 0.005902] Trying to boot from MMC1[0.262093 0.038996] Expected Linux image is not found. Trying to start U-boot
[0.436129 0.174036]]
[0.436416 0.000287]
[0.436696 0.000280] U-Boot 2017.09-rc2-13373-g2cffd0d-dirty (Aug 31 2017 - 20:41:14 +0530)
[0.442273 0.005577] [0.442369 0.000096] Model: Amarula Vyasa-RK3288
[0.444854 0.002485] DRAM: 2 GiB
[0.479422 0.034568] MMC: dwmmc@ff0c0000: 1
[0.627295 0.147873] *** Warning - bad CRC, using default environment
[0.631527 0.004232]
[0.635980 0.004453] In: serial@ff690000
[0.637982 0.002002] Out: serial@ff690000
[0.640004 0.002022] Err: serial@ff690000
[0.642244 0.002240] Model: Amarula Vyasa-RK3288
[0.644783 0.002539] Net: Net Initialization Skipped
[0.647824 0.003041] No ethernet found.
[0.651954 0.004130] Hit any key to stop autoboot: 0
[0.772503 0.120549] switch to partitions #0, OK
[0.774802 0.002299] mmc1 is current device
[1.069762 0.294960] Scanning mmc 1:1...
[1.312386 0.242624] Found /boot/extlinux/extlinux.conf
[1.315209 0.002823] Retrieving file: /boot/extlinux/extlinux.conf
[1.353460 0.038251] 145 bytes read in 28 ms (4.9 KiB/s)
[1.356412 0.002952] 1: Vyasa Linux-4.13
[1.358237 0.001825] Retrieving file: /boot/uImage
[1.740753 0.382516] 7836344 bytes read in 375 ms (19.9 MiB/s)
[1.744302 0.003549] append: console=ttyS2,115200n8 root=/dev/mmcblk0p1 rootwait quiet
[1.750086 0.005784] Retrieving file: /boot/rk3288-vyasa.dtb
[1.786952 0.036866] 36291 bytes read in 28 ms (1.2 MiB/s)
[1.789950 0.002998] ## Booting kernel from Legacy Image at 02000000 ...
[1.794524 0.004574] Image Name: Linux-4.13.0-rc4-next-20170810-0
[1.799040 0.000416] Image Type: ARM Linux Kernel Image (uncompressed)
[1.803818 0.004778] Data Size: 7836280 Bytes = 7.5 MiB
[1.807426 0.003608] Load Address: 02000000
[1.809776 0.002350] Entry Point: 02000000
[1.812097 0.002321] Verifying Checksum ... OK
[1.945372 0.133275] ## Flattened Device Tree blob at 01f00000
[1.948106 0.002734] Booting using the fdt blob at 0x1f00000
[1.951715 0.003609] Loading Kernel Image ... OK
[1.968363 0.016648] Loading Device Tree to 0ffff400, end 0ffffdc2 ... OK
[1.974709 0.006346]
[1.974911 0.000202] Starting kernel ...
[0.002243 0.002243]
[1.273396 1.271153] [ 0.090111] dmi: Firmware registration failed.
[1.617881 0.344485] [ 0.581926] EXT4-fs (mmcblk0p1): couldn't mount as ext3 due to feature incompatibilities
[1.627592 0.009711] [ 0.592177] EXT4-fs (mmcblk0p1): couldn't mount as ext2 due to feature incompatibilities
[4.596400 2.968808] Starting logging: OK
[4.610216 0.013816] Initializing random number generator... done.
[4.622379 0.012163] Starting network: OK
[4.746329 0.123950]
[4.748163 0.001834] Welcome to VYASA RK3288!
[4.750725 0.002562] vyasa-rk3288 login:
```

```
[0.001135 0.001134] U-Boot TPL 2017.09-rc2-13373-g2cffd0d-dirty (Aug 31 2017 - 20:41:14)
[0.005690 0.004555] Trying to boot from BOOTROM
[0.008221 0.002531] Returning to boot ROM...
[0.196488 0.188267]
[0.196704 0.000216] U-Boot SPL 2017.09-rc2-13373-g2cffd0d-dirty (Aug 31 2017 - 20:41:14)
[0.202759 0.006055] Trying to boot from MMC1
[1.879613 1.676854] [ 0.090151] dmi: Firmware registration failed.
[2.287880 0.408267] [ 0.645755] EXT4-fs (mmcblk0p1): couldn't mount as ext3 due to feature incompatibilities
[2.301935 0.014055] [ 0.660209] EXT4-fs (mmcblk0p1): couldn't mount as ext2 due to feature incompatibilities
[2.425052 0.123117] Starting logging: OK
[2.440868 0.015816] Initializing random number generator... done.
[2.452302 0.011434] Starting network: OK
[2.580451 0.128149]
[2.584354 0.003903] Welcome to VYASA RK3288!
[2.586697 0.002343] vyasa-rk3288 login:
```

EFI boot

- Most of AArch64 and x86 UEFI is default booting system.
- U-Boot support via EFI_LOADER, CMD_BOOTEFI configs.

```
=> load mmc 0:2 ${fdt_addr_r} boot/dtb
29830 bytes read in 14 ms (2 MiB/s)
=> load mmc 0:1 ${kernel_addr_r} efi/debian/grubaa64.efi
reading efi/debian/grubaa64.efi
120832 bytes read in 7 ms (16.5 MiB/s)
=> bootefi ${kernel_addr_r} ${fdt_addr_r}
```

doc/README.uefi

ELCE 2017: Marrying U-Boot, UEFI and grub, Alexander Graf

Distro boot

- bootargs - system boot environment commands
- board-specific logic with respect to storage mechanism
- DISTRO_DEFAULTS, generic distribution configuration

```
# u-boot, extlinux.conf
label linux-5.0.0-rc3
    kernel /Image
    devicetree /sun50i-a64-amarula-relic.dtb
    append console=ttyS0,115200 earlyprintk root=/dev/mmcblk0p2 rootwait rw
```

Devicetree, improvements

- Kconfig
- FDT
- OF livetree
- FDT Overlay
- OF platdata

FDT (Flat Device Tree)

- Run-time hardware configuration
- Single U-Boot binary for multiple boards (with board controlled dts)
- Handle via libfdt
- Enabled via CONFIG_OF_CONTROL

- FDT supported U-Boot can build
 - ◆ with default dts, CONFIG_DEFAULT_DEVICE_TREE=<dts-file-name> in defconfig
 - \$ make
 - ◆ with user-specified dts
 - \$ make DEVICE_TREE=<dts-file-name>

- Sample, UniPhier Pro4 reference, Pro4 Ace, Pro4 Sanji boards
 - ◆ \$ make uniphier_v7_defconfig (single configuration)
 - ◆ \$ make DEVICE_TREE=uniphier-pro4-ref
 - ◆ \$ make DEVICE_TREE=uniphier-pro4-ace
 - ◆ \$ make DEVICE_TREE=uniphier-pro4-sanji

- DTB packing during build
 - ◆ CONFIG_OF_EMBED
 - ◆ CONFIG_OF_SEPARATE

FDT, u-boot

- Maintain U-Boot specific node definitions in separate file
- Useful for DT allocation in SPL
- u-boot,dm-pre-alloc, u-boot,dm-spl

```
/* arch/arm/dts/imx6qdl-u-boot.dtsi */
/ {
    soc {
        u-boot,dm-spl;
        aips-bus@02000000 {
            u-boot,dm-spl;
        };
    };
};

&gpio1 {
    u-boot,dm-spl;
};
```

FDT, libfdt

```
1 int fdt_delprop(void *fdt, int nodeoffset, const char *name)
2 {
3     struct fdt_property *prop;
4     int len, proplen;
5
6     FDT_RW_CHECK_HEADER(fdt);
7
8     prop = fdt_get_property_w(fdt, nodeoffset, name, &len);
9     if (!prop)
10         return len;
11
12     proplen = sizeof(*prop) + FDT_TAGALIGN(len);
13     return fdt_splice_struct(fdt, prop, proplen, 0);
14 }
15
16 int ft_board_setup(void *blob, bd_t *bd)
17 {
18     int nodeoffset;
19
20     nodeoffset = fdt_path_offset(blob, "/soc/aips-bus@02100000/usdhc@02198000");
21
22     return fdt_delprop(blob, nodeoffset, "no-1-8-v");
23 }
```

? add/update, copy large amount

? tree need to rebuilt

? tree traversing is slow

Livetree (Live Device Tree)

- Pointer-based *hierarchical structures*
- Support after relocation
- ofnode , point to either flat tree or livetree
- Enabled via CONFIG_OF_LIVE

```
static int zynq_spi_ofdata_to_platdata(struct udevice *bus)
{
    struct zynq_spi_platdata *plat = bus->platdata;

    /* old code */
    plat->regs = (struct zynq_spi_regs *)devfdt_get_addr(bus);
    plat->frequency = fdtdec_get_int(blob, node, "spi-max-frequency", 250000000);

    /* new code */
    plat->regs = (struct zynq_spi_regs *)dev_read_addr(bus);
    plat->frequency = dev_read_u32_default(bus, "spi-max-frequency", 250000000);

    return 0;
}
```

FDT Overlay

- DTO, enable centralize DTB to be overlaid on the device tree.
- Single image of multitude of similar boards and their expansion options
- **HAT** - Raspberry PI, Tinker board
- DTO can load U-Boot via
 - ◆ FIT image
 - ◆ Manual load



```
/dts-v1/;
/ {
    images {
        kernel {
            data = /incbin/(("./zImage"));
            type = "kernel";
            load = <0x10080000>;
            entry = <0x10080000>;
        };
        fdt-1 {
            data = /incbin/(("./imx6q-icore.dtb"));
            type = "flat_dt";
        };
        fdt-2 {
            data = /incbin/(("./imx6q-icore-mipi.dtb"));
            type = "flat_dt";
        };
        configurations {
            default = "imx6q-icore.dtb";
            imx6q-icore.dtb {
                kernel = "kernel";
                fdt = "fdt-1";
            };
            imx6q-icore-mipi.dtb {
                kernel = "kernel";
                fdt = "fdt-2";
            };
        };
    };
};
```

FDT Overlay, loading

```
/* via FIT */  
=> bootm $loadaddr#imx6q-icore.dtb#imx6q-icore-mipi  
  
/* Manual load */  
=> setenv fdt_addr 0x18000000  
=> setenv fdt_ovaddr 0x180c0000  
  
=> load mmc 0:1 ${fdt_addr} ${bootdir}/base.dtb  
=> load mmc 0:1 ${fdt_ovaddr} ${bootdir}/overlay.dtb  
  
=> fdt resize 8192  
  
=> fdt apply $fdt_ovaddr  
  
=> bootm ${loadaddr} - ${fdt_addr}
```

OF Platdata

- SPL size increases with FDT
- Enabled via CONFIG_SPL_OF_PLATDATA
- Explicitly define the device details Like legacy platform_device in Linux

```
#include <dm/platform_data/spi_davinci.h>

static const struct davinci_spi_platdata davinci_spi_data = {
    .regs = (struct davinci_spi_regs *)0x01f0e000,
    .num_cs = 4,
};

U_BOOT_DEVICE(davinci_spi) = {
    .name = "davinci_spi",
    .platdata = &davinci_spi_data,
};
```


Driver model

- Driver model
- DM, CPU
- DM, Power
- DM, Core
- DM, Peripherals
- Block layer
- USB layer

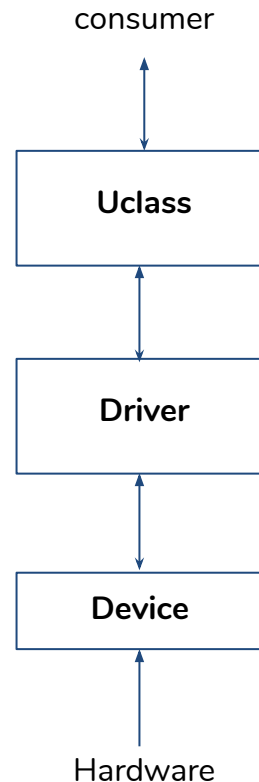
Driver model

- ? ad-hoc model, direct functions call
- ? multiple controllers can't fit same driver
- ? not scalable, difficult to maintain

Simple, scalable, modular, homogeneous

Lazy initialization, but bounded

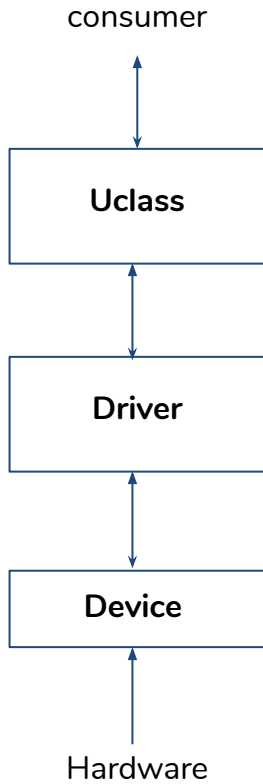
Small overhead, SPL



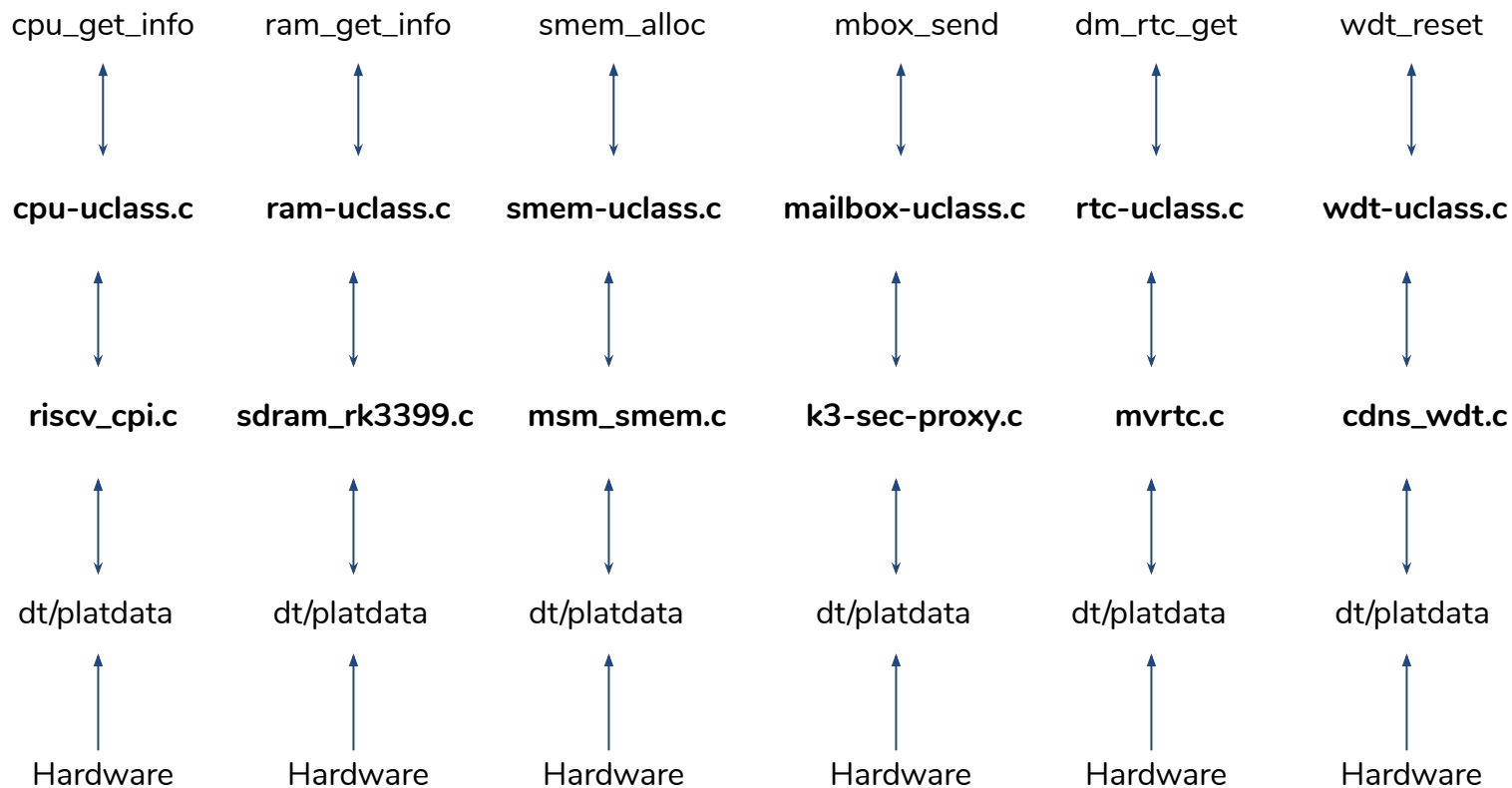
=> dm tree

Class	index	Probed	Driver	Name
root	0	[+]	root_drive	root_driver
clk	0	[]	fixed_rate	-- oscillator
mmc	0	[+]	rockchip_r	-- dwmmc@ff0c0000
blk	0	[+]	mmc_blk	`-- dwmmc@ff0c0000.blk
mmc	1	[+]	rockchip_r	-- dwmmc@ff0f0000
blk	1	[]	mmc_blk	`-- dwmmc@ff0f0000.blk
serial	0	[+]	ns16550_se	-- serial@ff690000
eth	0	[]	gmac_rockc	-- ethernet@ff290000
usb	0	[]	dwc2_usb	-- usb@ff540000
usb	1	[]	dwc2_usb	-- usb@ff580000
ram	0	[]	rockchip_r	-- dmc@ff610000
i2c	0	[+]	i2c_rockch	-- i2c@ff650000
pmic	0	[+]	rk8xx pmic	`-- pmic@1b
regulator	0	[]	rk8xx_buck	-- DCDC_REG1
regulator	1	[]	rk8xx_buck	-- DCDC_REG2
regulator	2	[]	rk8xx_buck	-- DCDC_REG3
regulator	3	[]	rk8xx_buck	-- DCDC_REG4
regulator	4	[]	rk8xx_ldo	-- LDO_REG1

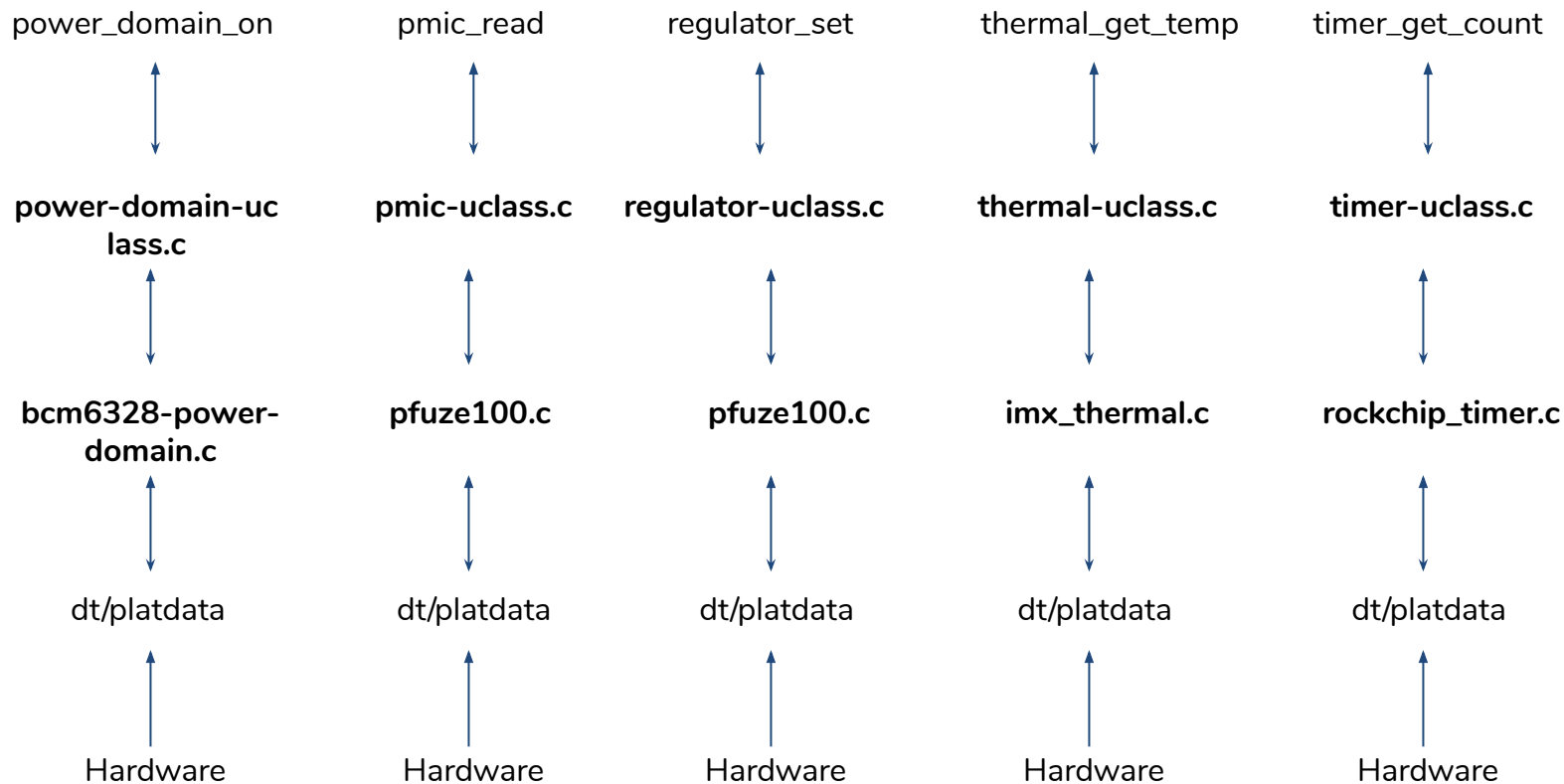
Driver model



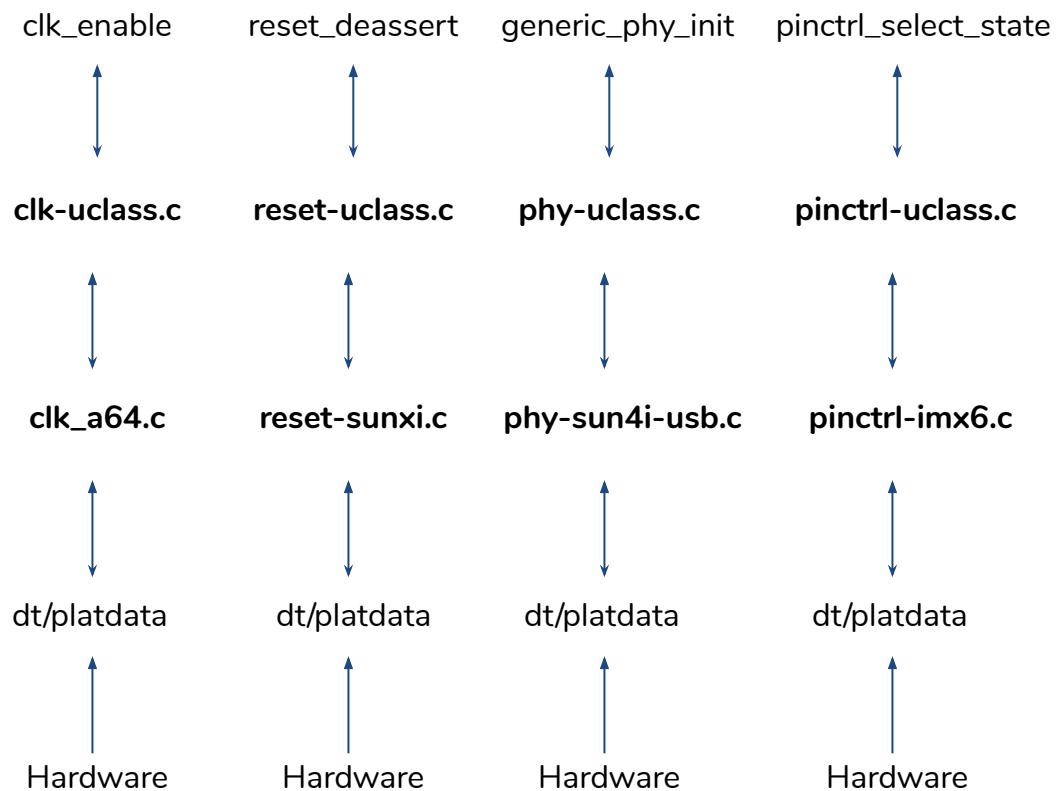
DM, CPU



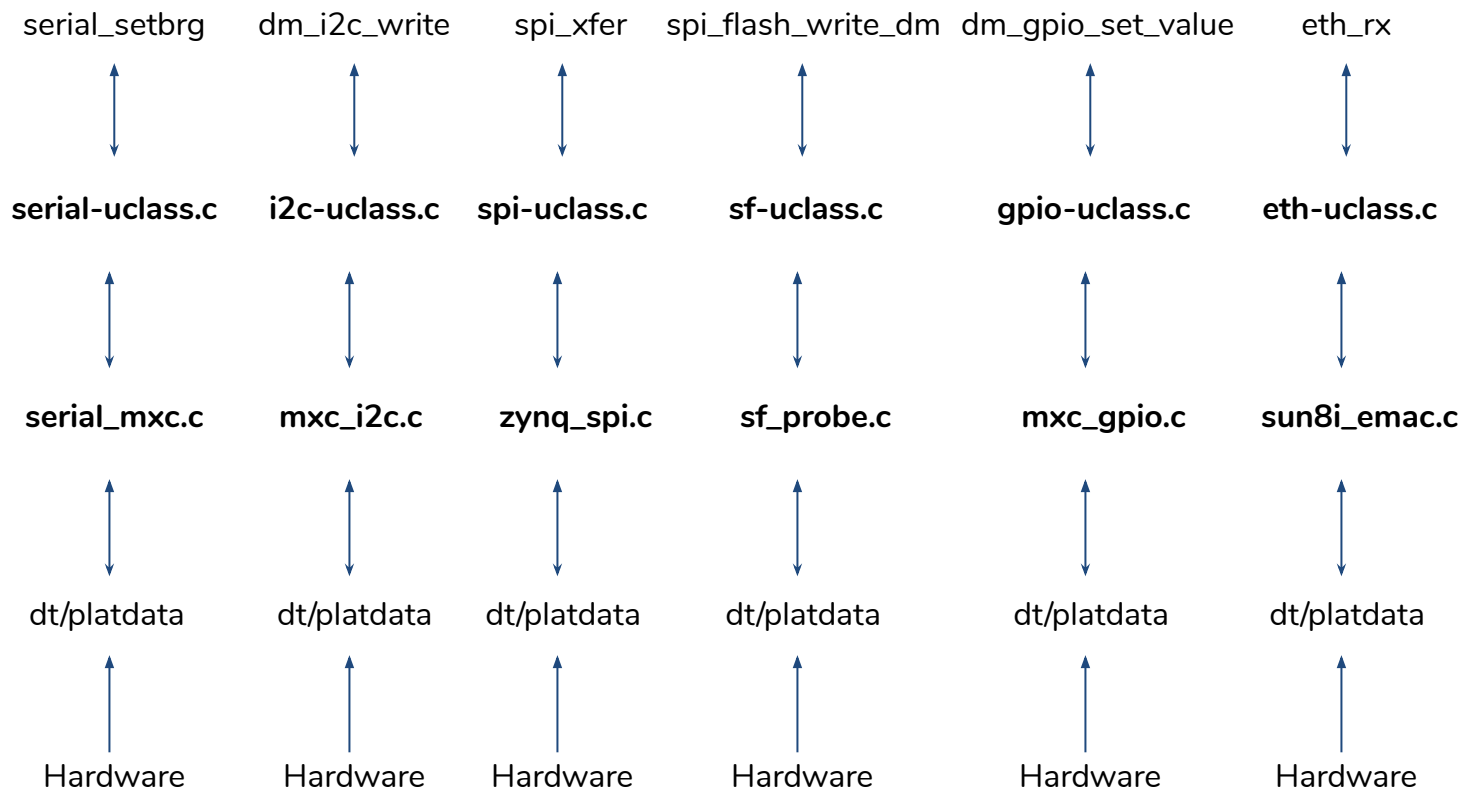
DM, Power



DM, Core



DM, Peripherals




```
UCLASS_DRIVER(spi) = {
    .id          = UCLASS_SPI,
    .name        = "spi",
    .flags       = DM_UC_FLAG_SEQ_ALIAS,
    .post_bind   = dm_scan_fdt_dev,
    .post_probe  = spi_post_probe,
    .child_pre_probe = spi_child_pre_probe,
    .per_device_auto_alloc_size = sizeof(struct dm_spi_bus),
    .per_child_auto_alloc_size = sizeof(struct spi_slave),
    .per_child_platdata_auto_alloc_size = sizeof(struct dm_spi_slave_platdata),
    .child_post_bind = spi_child_post_bind,
};

U_BOOT_DRIVER(zynq_qspi) = {
    .name      = "zynq_qspi",
    .id       = UCLASS_SPI,
    .of_match  = zynq_qspi_ids,
    .ops      = &zynq_qspi_ops,
    .ofdata_to_platdata = zynq_qspi_ofdata_to_platdata,
    .platdata_auto_alloc_size = sizeof(struct zynq_qspi_platdata),
    .priv_auto_alloc_size = sizeof(struct zynq_qspi_priv),
    .probe    = zynq_qspi_probe,
};
```

```
static int sun4i_usb_phy_exit(struct phy *phy)
{
    clk_disable(&usb_phy->clocks);
    reset_assert(&usb_phy->resets);
}

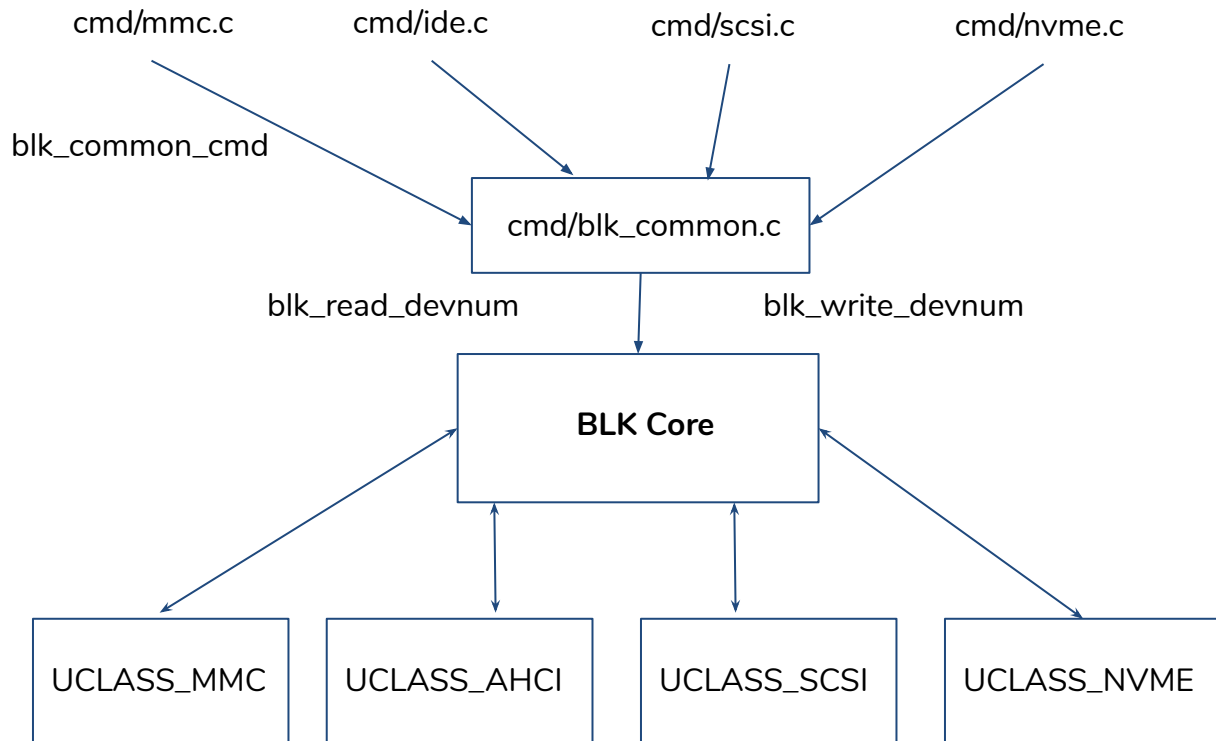
static int sun4i_usb_phy_init(struct phy *phy)
{
    clk_enable(&usb_phy->clocks);
    reset_deassert(&usb_phy->resets);
}

static struct phy_ops sun4i_usb_phy_ops = {
    .init = sun4i_usb_phy_init,
    .exit = sun4i_usb_phy_exit,
};

static int sun4i_usb_phy_probe(struct udevice *dev)
{
    clk_get_by_name(dev, "usb0_phy", &phy->clocks);
    reset_get_by_name(dev, "usb0_reset", &phy->resets);
}

U_BOOT_DRIVER(sun4i_usb_phy) = {
    .id      = UCLASS_PHY,
    .ops     = &sun4i_usb_phy_ops,
    .probe   = sun4i_usb_phy_probe,
};
```

Generic Block Layer

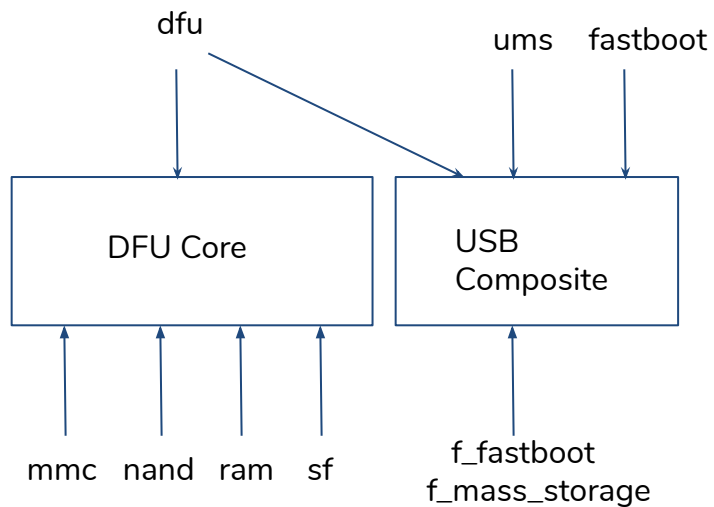


USB framework

- via UCLASS_USB
- uclass core: drivers/usb/host/usb-uclass.c
- platform specific uboot driver: drivers/usb/host/ehci-generic.c
- USB control, bulk, interrupt, create_int_queue etc via dm_usb_ops
- include/usb.h
- cmd/usb.c
- USB Gadgets can probe via Gadget UCLASS
- drivers/usb/gadget/ether.c, USB ETH Gadget
- MUSB can operate Host and Peripheral
- MUSB Host access via UCLASS_USB
- MUSB Peripheral access via
 - ◆ UCLASS_USB_DEV_GENERIC - host devices
 - ◆ UCLASS_USB_GADGET_GENERIC - gadget devices
- drivers/usb/musb-new/sunxi.c, SunXi MUSB driver

Firmware Upgrade

- Upgrade firmware images on running U-Boot
- DFU
- DFU via tftp
- UMS
- Fastboot



Miscellaneous

- Debug
- AVB
- x86, Slimboot
- Binman
- CI, tboot

Debug

- printf
- CONFIG_DEBUG
- GDB
- Early UART (CONFIG_DEBUG_UART)

```
#include <debug_uart.h>

static inline void _debug_uart_init(void)
{
    _mxc_serial_init(base);
}

static inline void _debug_uart_putc(int ch)
{
    while (!(readl(&base->ts) & UTS_TXEMPTY))
        WATCHDOG_RESET();

    writel(ch, &base->txd);
}
DEBUG_UART_FUNCS

debug_uart_init();
printch('T');
printch('P');
printch('L');
```

AVB 2.0

→ Verified Boot establishes a chain of trust from the bootloader to system images

```
avb init <dev> - initialize avb 2.0 for <dev>
avb verify - run verification process using hash data from vbmeta structure
avb read_rb <num> - read rollback index at location <num>
avb write_rb <num> <rb> - write rollback index <rb> to <num>
avb is_unlocked - returns unlock status of the device
avb get_uuid <partname> - read and print uuid of partition <partname>
avb read_part <partname> <offset> <num> <addr> - read <num> bytes from
partition <partname> to buffer <addr>
avb write_part <partname> <offset> <num> <addr> - write <num> bytes to
<partname> by <offset> using data from <addr>
```


x86, Slimboot

- Support Broadwell, Apollolake bare-metals
- Intel FSP, FSP2?
- x86 boot can support coreboot as payload for U-Boot
- SBL as payload for U-boot
- SBL supports QEMU, Apollolake, Whiskeylake, Coffeelake-R platforms.

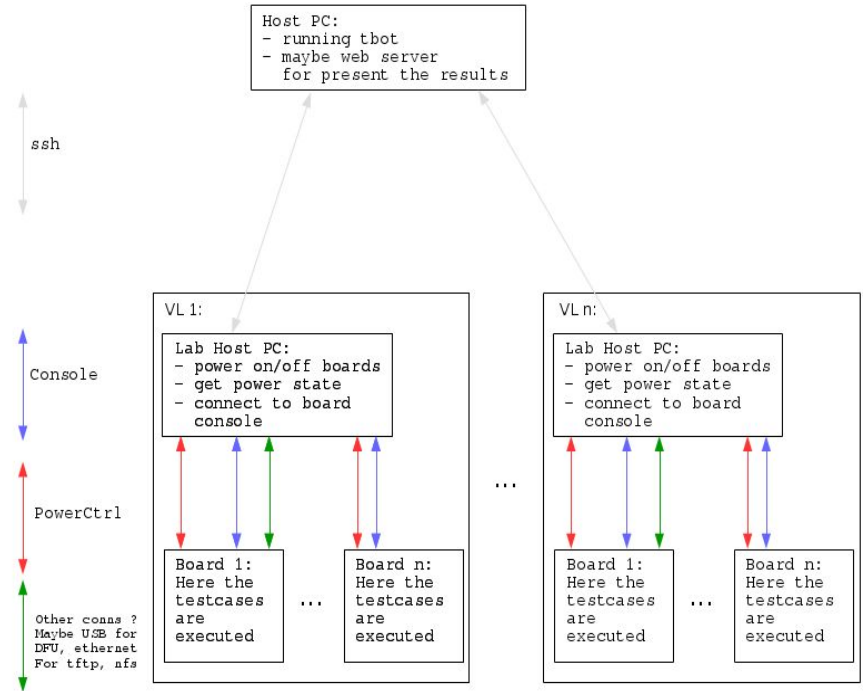
Binman

→ Binman - Packaging multiple image components

```
/ {  
    binman {  
        filename = "u-boot-sunxi-with-spl.bin";  
        pad-byte = <0xff>;  
        blob {  
            filename = "spl/sunxi-spl.bin";  
        };  
        u-boot-img {  
            offset = <CONFIG_SPL_PAD_TO>;  
        };  
    };  
};
```

tbot

- Execute test cases on boards
- Heiko Schocher, page <https://www.tbot.tools/overview.html>



Summary

- Lessons learned
- Future plans

Lessons learned from 18 years of U-Boot

- Release cycles - short and long does matters
- Strong distributed, hierarchical development model
- Supporting of new tools, make proper code validation
- More hands of developers, employers and maintainers
- Started with PPC, ARM - now support most possible architecture
- x86 development
- Drivers no longer, direct functions calls - DM

Future plans

- Kconfig migration
- Driver model migrations
 - ◆ BLK, DM_MMC, DM_SCSI, DM_USB
 - ◆ DM_SPI, DM_SPI_FLASH, DM_VIDEO, DM_PCI
- MTD driver model
- X86 development

Conclusion

- Use DT and DM for new ports
- Hands on with DM conversion
- ML: u-boot@lists.denx.de
- IRC: #u-boot
- LIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/jaganteki/>
- HABv4: https://wiki.amarulasolutions.com/u-boot/secure_boot/imx6_habv4.html
- OP-TEE case study: <https://wiki.amarulasolutions.com/optee/index.html>
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Questions??

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