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Session 1

Introduction to DragonBoard 410c and Starting Development of Your Embedded Linux based Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) Device

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Webinar Series

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Session 1 — Agenda

- **Development Environment**
- **Deploying Yocto Project®/OpenEmbedded Linux BSP to your DragonBoard 410c**
- **Design considerations for IIoT products**
 - Requirements
- **Yocto Project/Open Embedded introduction**
 - Yocto Project – what is it
 - How to get and setup Yocto for the 96Boards™
 - Re-building BSP image from scratch
- **Software Development Kit**

Build Environment



What we need to build a product

- **A host machine**
 - Linux is the best — any recent version is ok (Timesys[®] recommends Ubuntu[®] LTS)
 - Windows is fine, but you'll need a Windows[®] 10 native Linux support or a virtual machine with a Linux desktop OS installation (Timesys recommends Oracle[®] VirtualBox[™])
- **Cross-development environment / SDK**
- **Linux source code (BSP) for the product**
 - Bootloader
 - Linux kernel
 - APIs
- **Various Linux host utilities needed by Yocto/OpenEmbedded Linux BSP**
- **IDE for application and system level development. WYSIWYG IDE for faster UI development**
- **A hardware development kit**

Workstation setup

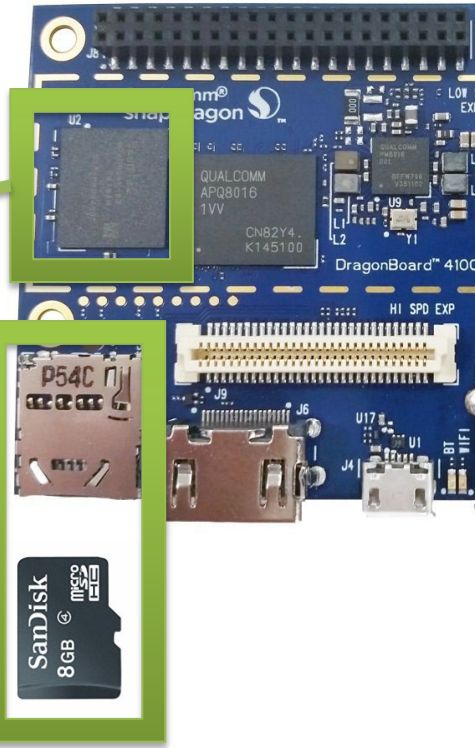


USB/Serial



eMMC

uSD



USB



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- Utilities
- Yocto Project-Core
- Metalayer from Qualcomm Technologies, Inc.
- Timesys metalayer
- 3rd party metalayers
- Development Tools
- Support

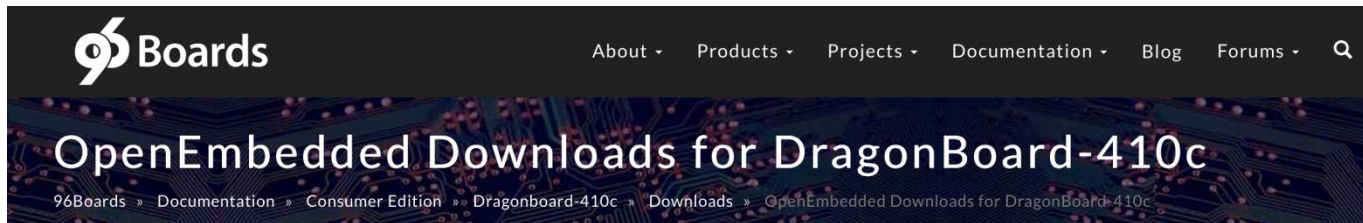
Initial Board Setup



Where to find Yocto/OpenEmbedded Linux BSP binaries for deployment

- Files representing reference software for the DragonBoard 410c can be downloaded from the 96Boards website:

<http://builds.96boards.org/releases/dragonboard410c/linaro/openembedded/latest/rpb/>










- Linux images**
 - Debian®
 - OpenEmbedded (Yocto)
- Yocto images**
 - Split into deployable components
 - Root filesystem
 - Bootloader
 - Linux kernel

Boot image	Build Folder (RPB / RPB-Wayland)
RPB	Download
RPB-Wayland	Download

Deploying Linux images to the DragonBoard 410c

- **DragonBoard 410c supports two methods of software deployment**
 1. SD card (complete software image/rescue image)
 2. USB connector (individual software images)
- **Second method is intended for customizations and frequent updates**
- **Rescue images are provided at**
<http://builds.96boards.org/releases/dragonboard410c/linaro/rescue/latest/>

Name	
	Parent Directory
	MD5SUMS.txt
	dragonboard410c_bootloader_emmc_android-79.zip
	dragonboard410c_bootloader_emmc_aosp-79.zip
	dragonboard410c_bootloader_emmc_linux-79.zip
	dragonboard410c_bootloader_sd_linux-79.zip
	dragonboard410c_sdcard_rescue-79.zip

- **Board rescue process:**

- Step 1: Download and unzip SD card Install Image
- Step 2: Find SD card device name
- Step 3: Install Rescue Image onto SD card
- Step 4: Boot DragonBoard 410c from an SD card
- Step 6: Flash Yocto/OpenEmbedded Linux BSP images into EMMC™

Image Deployment — SD card (1)

▪ Helper for the flashing process:

- **Step 1:** From the URL provided on the previous slide download the rescue image for the DragonBoard 410c. The image to be downloaded:
dragonboard410c_sdcard_rescue-79.zip
- Uncompress the archive with the command:

```
$ unzip dragonboard410c_sdcard_rescue-79.zip
```

- **Step 2:** Find microSD card device name on your host. Run the following command in a terminal window:

```
$ lsblk
```

→ **Note:** Run this command before and after inserting the microSD card into host PC microSD card reader

- **Step 3:** Install rescue image onto microSD card. Use the following command to flash image to microSD card

```
$ sudo dd if=db410c_sd_rescue.img of=/dev/XXX bs=4M oflag=sync status=noxfer
```

Image Deployment — SD card (2)

■ Helper for the flashing process:

- **Step 4:** Booting DragonBoard 410c with SD card
 - Make sure DragonBoard 410c is unplugged from power
 - Set S6 switch on DragonBoard 410c to **0-1-0-0**, “SD Boot switch” should be set to “ON”.
 - Insert the microSD card into the DragonBoard 410c
 - Connect DragonBoard 410c microUSB port to PC’s USB Host with a cable
 - Plug power adaptor into DragonBoard 410c, wait 5s for board to boot up.
Note: No onboard LED will light up in this process!
 - We have set the DragonBoard in the “**fastboot mode**”

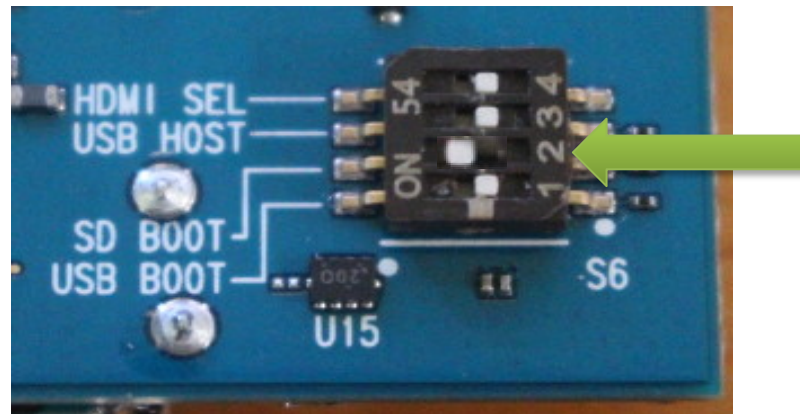


Image Deployment — SD card (3)

■ Helper for the flashing process:

- **Step 5:** Flash Yocto/OpenEmbedded Linux BSP images
- In the fastboot mode, DragonBoard can accept images sent from the Host PC via USB OTG port.
 - On the Host PC, check for connected fastboot devices with the command:

```
$ sudo fastboot devices
```

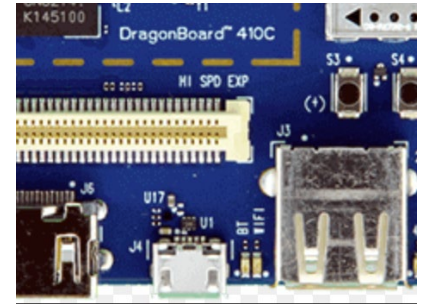
- Create partitions on the EMMC and Flash the bootloader. Use flashall script provided

```
$ sudo ./flashall
```

- Boot and filesystem images can be found in:
<http://builds.96boards.org/releases/dragonboard410c/linaro/openembedded/latest/rpb/>
- Flash the runtime files with the command

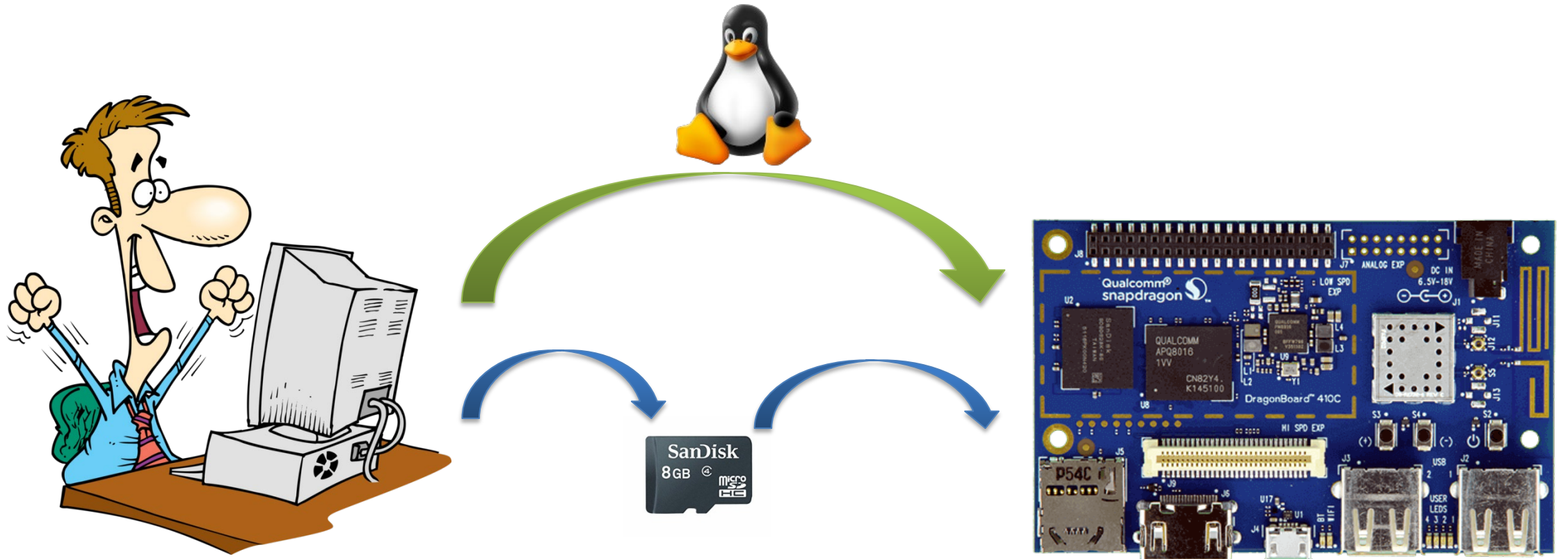
```
$ sudo fastboot flash boot boot--4.9-r0-dragonboard-410c-20170803175648-18-18.img  
$ sudo fastboot flash rootfs rpb-console-image-dragonboard-410c-20170803175648-18.rootfs.ext4
```

- Remove the SD Card
- Set S6 switch on DragonBoard 410c back to 0-0-0-0, all switches set to “OFF”
- Power cycle the DragonBoard 410c to reboot.



LAB 1 — Yocto/OpenEmbedded Linux BSP Deployment

- Deploy Yocto Linux BSP images to the DragonBoard 410c using board recovery method
- Boot the board to verify proper image flashing into eMMC



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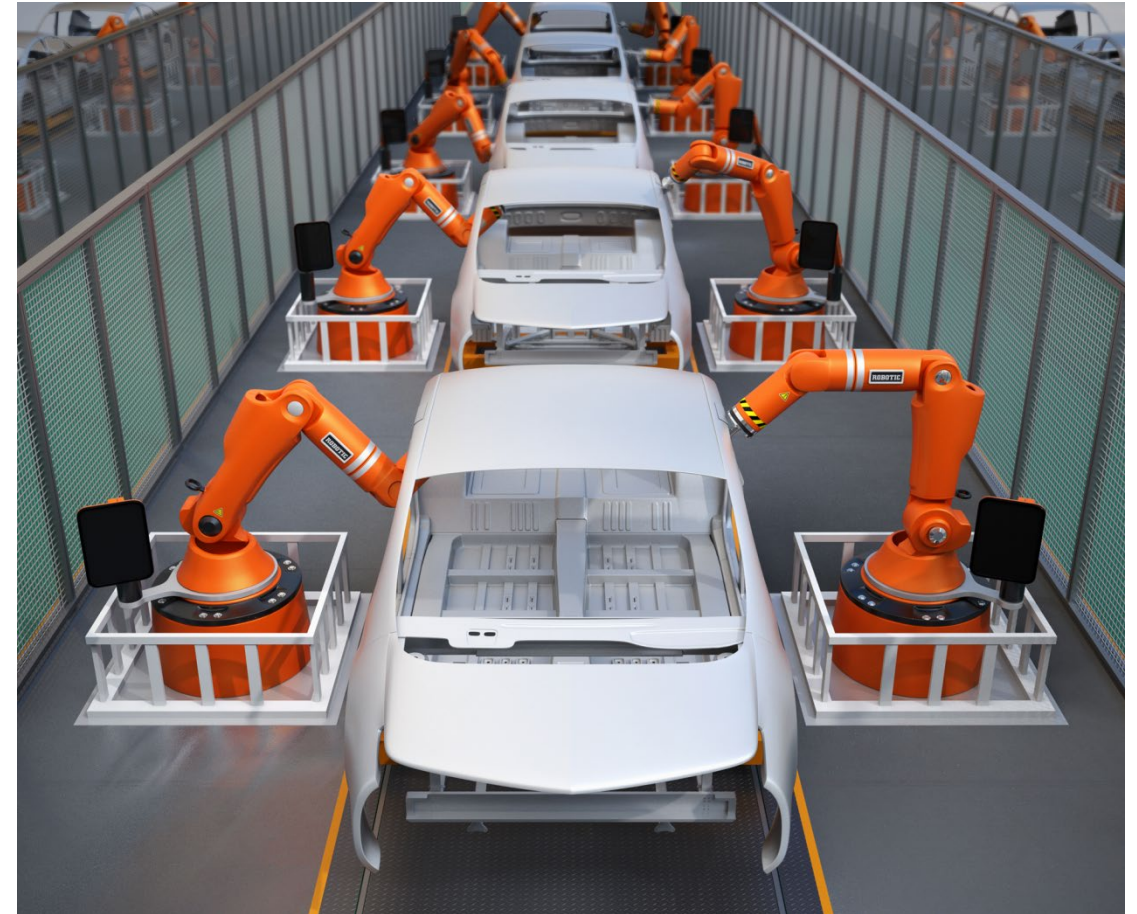


Industrial IoT has many requirements



Why IoT is important in Industrial setting

- **Industrial plants**
 - Operate at capacity
 - Operate at efficiency
- **Challenges**
 - Predict undesired process conditions
 - Minimize equipment failures
- **Industrial IoT provides**
 - Optimal business performance
 - Improved process reliability
 - Capturing and analyzing data
 - Identify warnings and potential issues
 - Preemptive service of equipment



Example of an IIoT system

- **Data collection end-point**
 - Sensors
 - Local connectivity
 - Actuators
 - Displays
 - Autonomous decision logic
- **Data concentrator**
 - Sensors
 - Local connectivity
 - Resources for local data processing
 - Cloud connection infrastructure
- **Analytics**
 - Integrate multiple production processes
 - Can be company wide



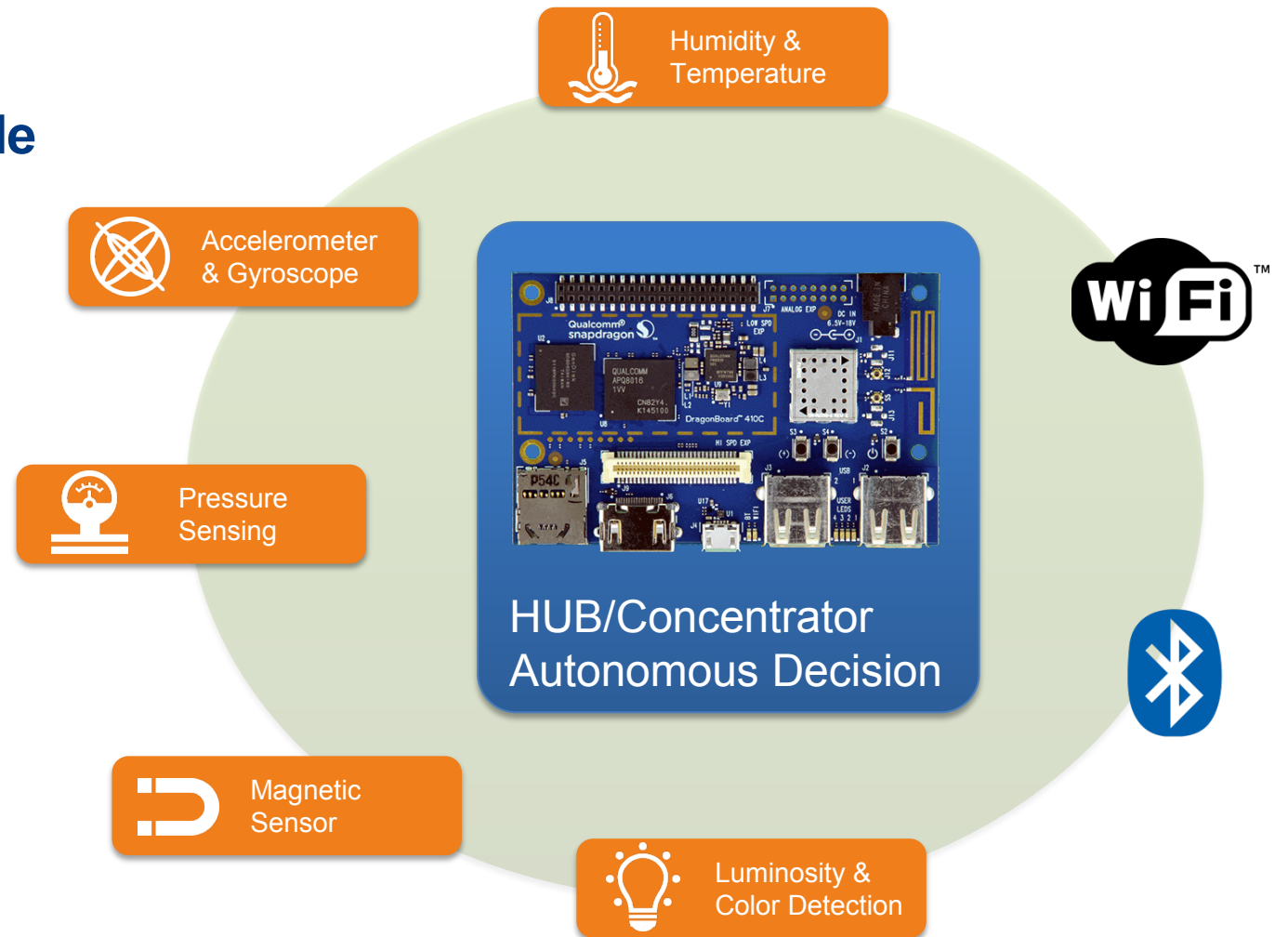
Why do companies care about IIoT?

- **Increase asset utilization**
 - Reduce unplanned downtime
 - Predict failures
 - Pro-active response
- **Increase operating efficiency**
 - Reduction in energy usage
 - Increased engineering effectiveness by monitoring
 - Integrated decision support mechanism
- **Increase in Safety**
 - Minimize risks by ensuring stable operations
 - No production interruptions due to safety check
- **Reduce maintenance cost**
 - Optimize maintenance based on real asset conditions
 - Pre-emptive addressing of issues



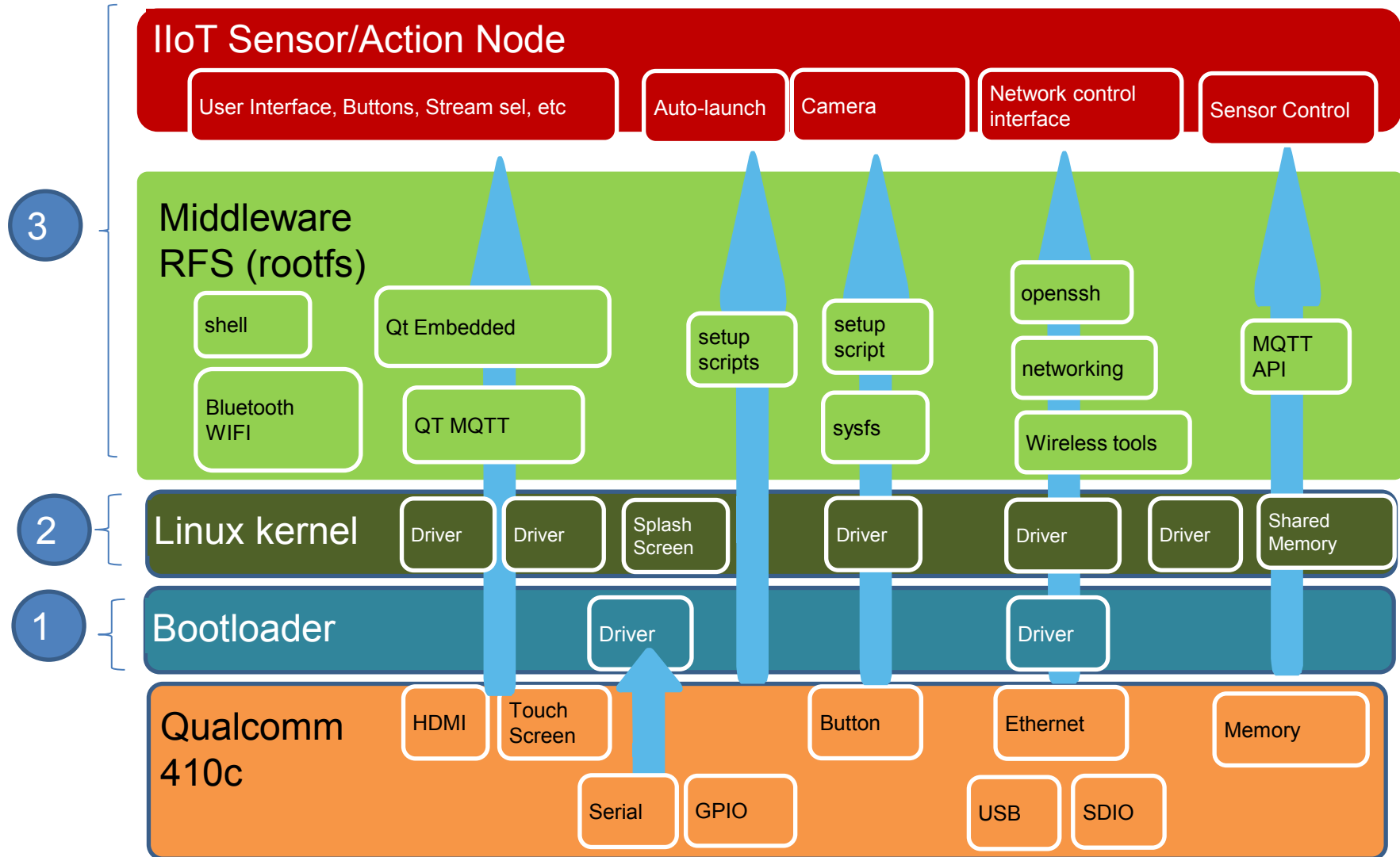
IIoT Point requirements

- Requirements are Industry Process specific
- Topography of IIoT can vary
- Requirements typically include
 - Connectivity:
 - Bluetooth®
 - Ethernet®
 - WiFi™
 - BUS
 - Sensors:
 - Discrete
 - Continuous
 - Sensor examples
 - Temperature
 - Pressure
 - Movement
 - ON/OFF



Software for IIoT device — baseline

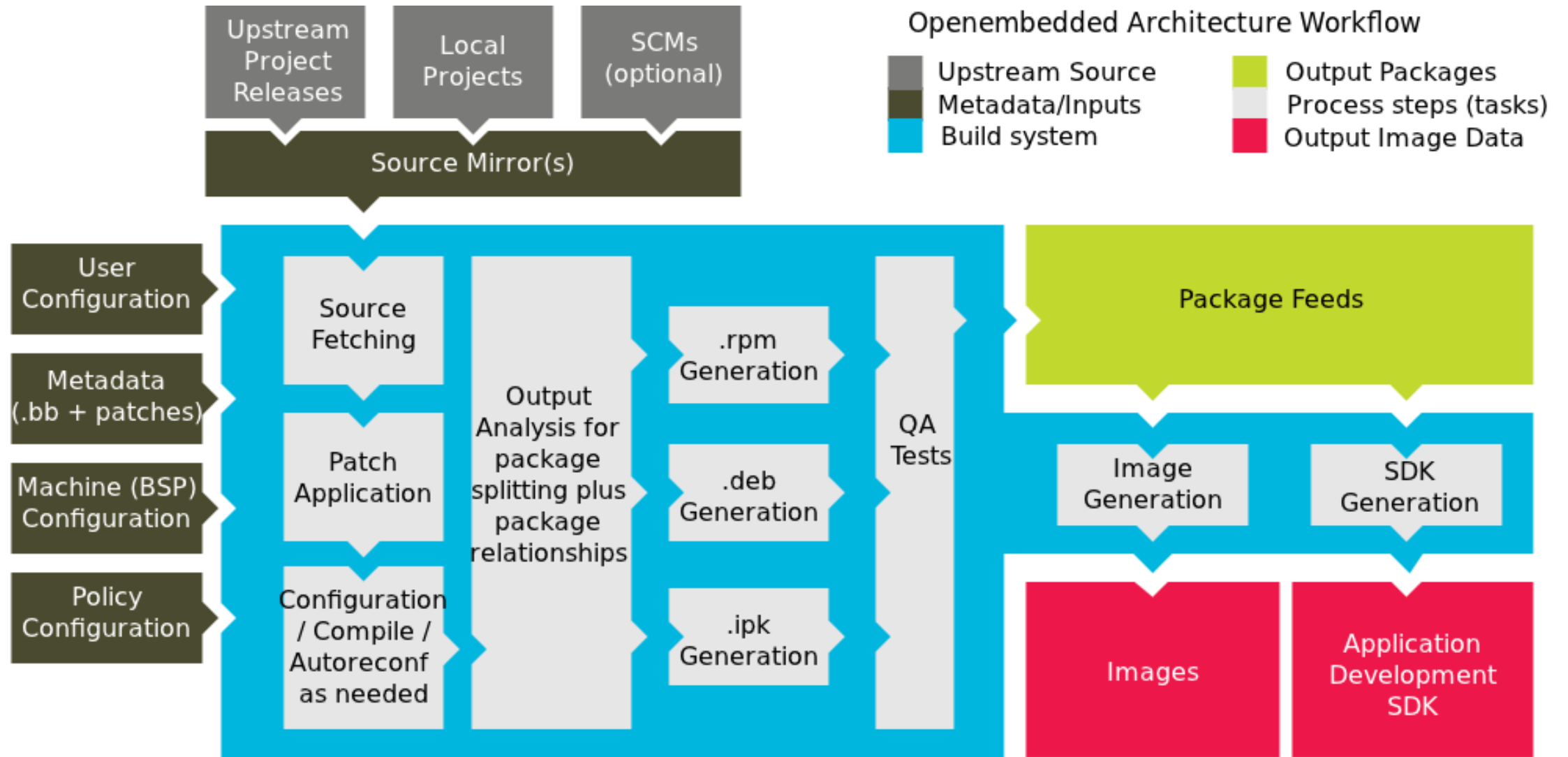
Several images used in Yocto BSP deployment



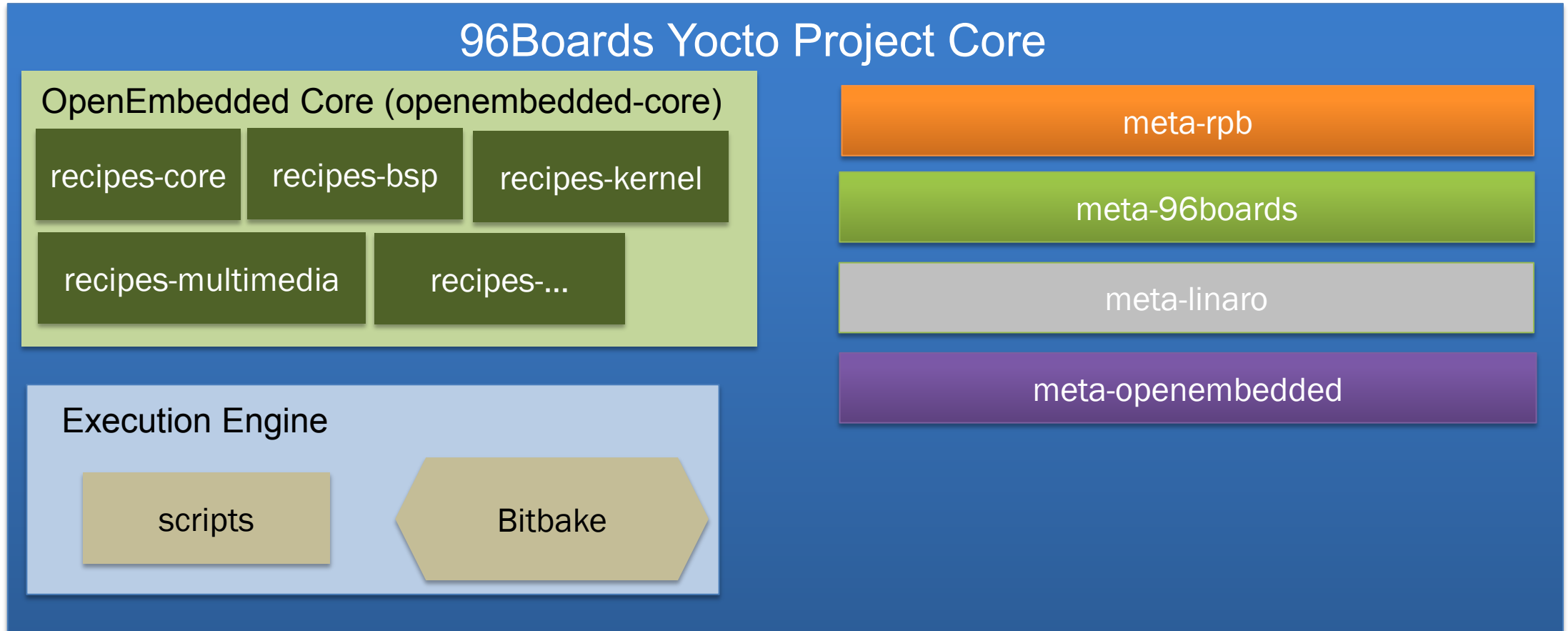
Yocto Project



Yocto/Open Embedded build process



96Boards Yocto structure



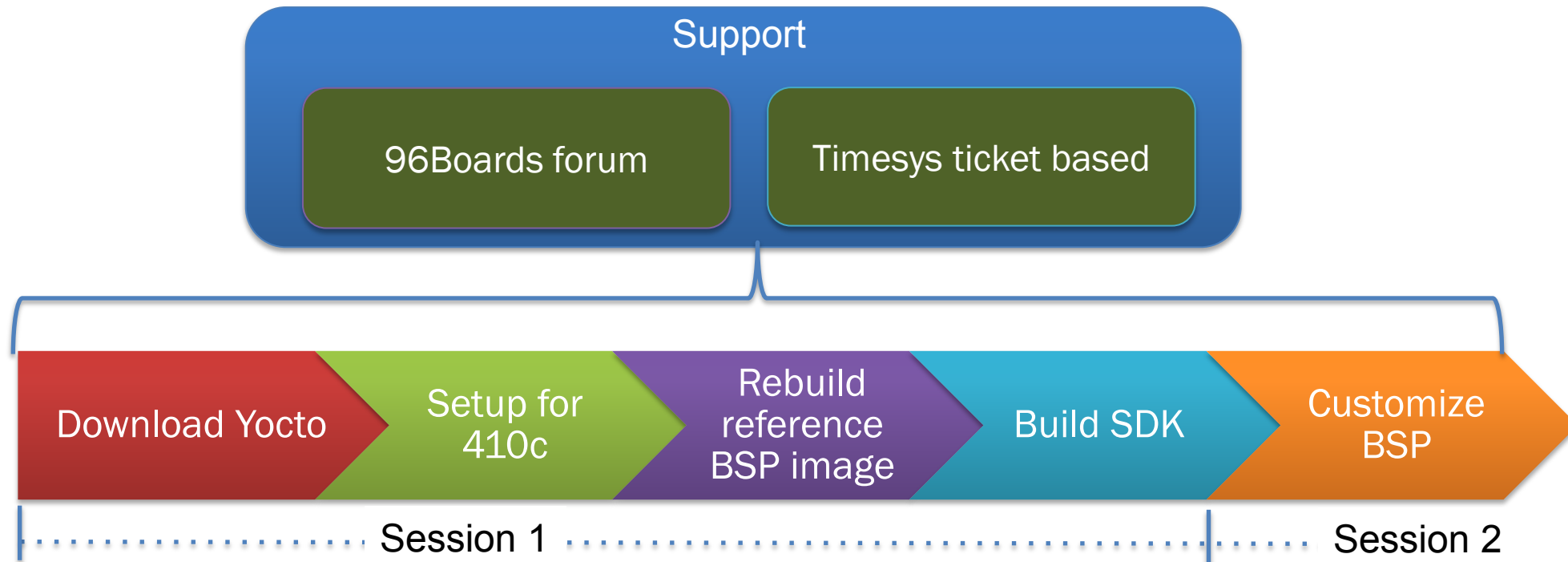
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meta-qt5

meta-timesys

Building and Customizing Linux BSP

- **Yocto based desktop tools**



- **BSP Customizations**

- Reflecting IIoT specific device requirements

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Initial Yocto Project Setup



Host Environment

- Depending on the Host System used, make sure that you have installed all required packages to run Yocto

- **Ubuntu/Debian**

```
$ sudo apt-get install gawk wget git-core diffstat unzip texinfo \  
build-essential chrpath libsdl1.2-dev xterm curl
```

- **CentOS™**

```
$ sudo yum install gawk make wget tar bzip2 gzip python unzip perl \  
patch diffutils diffstat git cpp gcc gcc-c++ glibc-devel texinfo chrpath \  
socat SDL-devel xterm
```

- **For other host OS**

<http://www.yoctoproject.org/docs/current/yocto-project-qs/yocto-project-qs.html>

Repo tool and GIT™ setup

- Provides a unified command to download software from multiple sources
- Used by Android™ and leveraged by 96Boards
- Install the tool from Google®
 - \$ mkdir ~/bin
 - \$ curl http://commondatastorage.googleapis.com/git-repo-downloads/repo > ~/bin/repo
 - \$ chmod a+x ~/bin/repo
- GIT setup
 - \$ git config --global user.name "Your Name"
 - \$ git config --global user.email "Your Email"
 - \$ git config --list

Getting Yocto

- **Yocto for the 96Boards can be assembled from two sources:**

1. github.org
2. yoctoproject.org

- **Getting source code from GitHub™:**

```
$ mkdir 96boards-rpb
```

```
$ cd 96boards-rpb
```

```
$ repo init -u https://github.com/96boards/oe-rpb-manifest.git -b morty
```

```
$ repo sync
```

- **Core Yocto and additional metalayers are installed**

- meta-96boards
 - Holds definitions for 96Boards
- meta-qcom
 - Provides definition for boards including DragonBoards
- meta-timesys

```
— manifests -> /home/n  
— meta-96boards  
— meta-backports  
— meta-browser  
— meta-intel  
— meta-linaro  
— meta-openembedded  
— meta-qcom  
— meta-qt5  
— meta-rpb  
— meta-st-cannes2  
— meta-ti  
— meta-timesys  
— meta-virtualization  
— openembedded-core
```

meta-timesys

- **Provides additional features from Timesys which can be applied to any Yocto Project**
 - Helps share information about YOUR current Yocto configuration with Timesys engineers and support teams
 - Facilitates investigative work on YOUR specific questions
 - Provides proactive update service
 - Find out what are the new updates available from open source that are relevant to the product
 - Provides security feed that is relevant to your board and your BSP/Yocto configuration
 - You decide when an update should be applied
 - You get an on-demand list of vulnerabilities that affect your product
 - Available from GitHub
 - <https://github.com/timesysgit/meta-timesys>

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Configuring Yocto for DragonBoard 410c



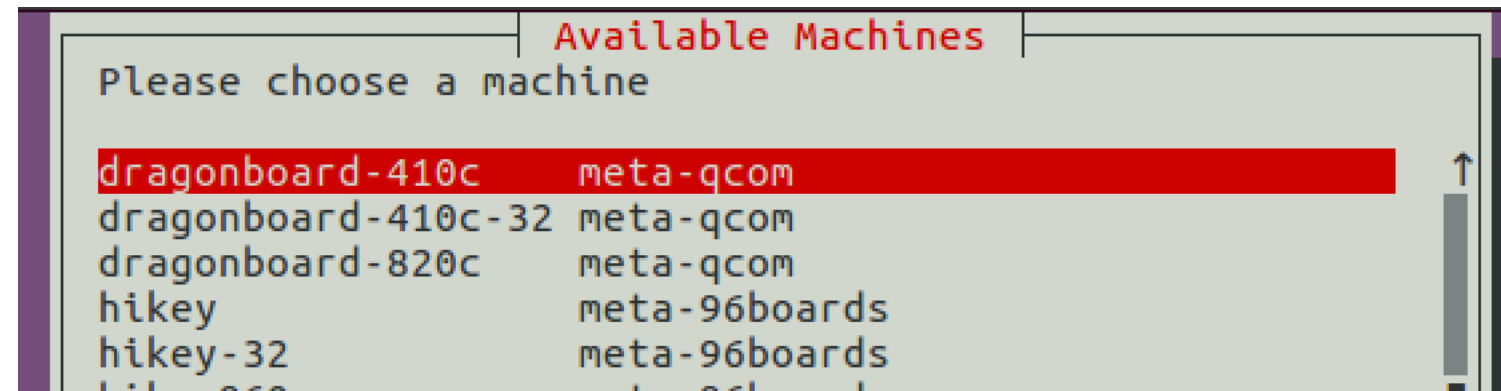
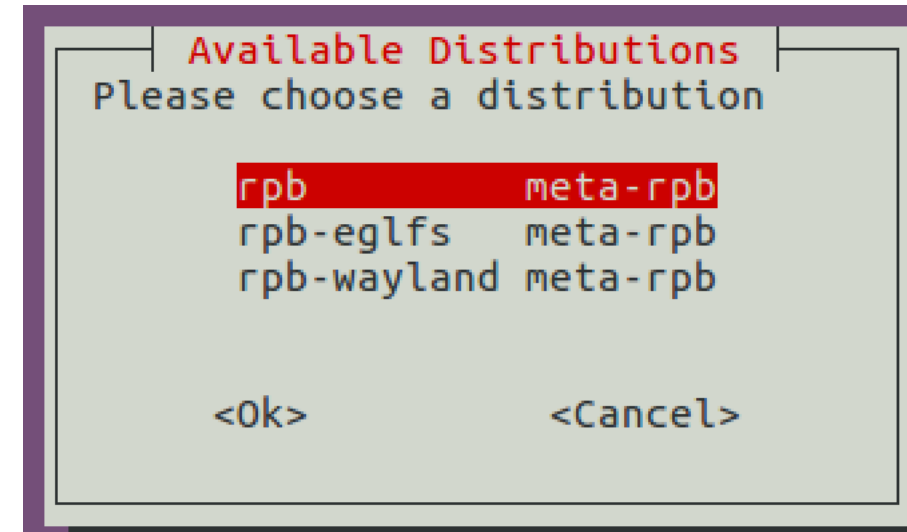
LAB 2: Yocto configuration

Running setup-environment script starts Yocto configuration wizard

- Command to configure and setup Yocto:

```
$ source setup-environment
```

- In the setup wizard you can choose:
 - MACHINE ID i.e. dragonboard410c
 - DISTRO i.e. rpb
- Choices come from 96Boards specific metalayers
 - meta-96boards
 - meta-qcom



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Running Yocto Build for the DragonBoard 410c



Exercise 3: Rebuilding console images

- **96Boards Yocto takes advantage of “caches”**
 - The goal is to accelerate build process
 - Can be copied to other machines
 - Contain build output
 - The following variables are typically placed in your conf/local.conf – in Linaro™ Yocto, it is placed in site.conf
 - DL_DIR = /home/tsu/LAB-410c/96boards-yocto/downloads
 - SSTATE_DIR = /home/tsu/LAB-410c/96boards-yocto/sstate-cache

- **BSP image definition – special type of recipe**

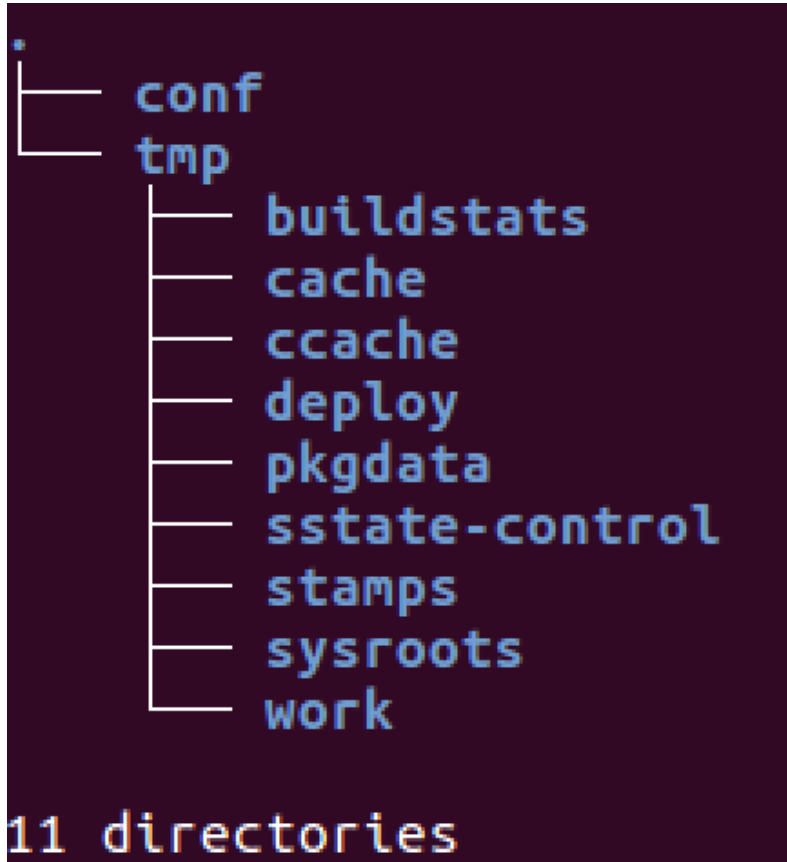
Image Name	Description
rpb-console-image	Console image
rpb-desktop-image	Image that's based on X11, leveraging hardware acceleration
rpb-wayland-image	Image with lightweight windowing system
rpb-qt5-image	Image with QT5 toolkit

- **Building a BSP image**

```
$ bitbake rpb-console-image
```

Yocto output

- Output from the build is stored in several directories



- tmp/deploy**
 - Images for deployment
- tmp/work**
 - Source code, the patches, last build

We can now re-test images built using deployment process discussed earlier

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Building Yocto SDK for Application Development with the DragonBoard 410c



LAB 4: Building a Yocto SDK

- **The Yocto Project is not intended for application development**
- **A separate SDK can be generated from a Yocto Project build**
 - Once created, SDK is completely independent of the Yocto Project build system
 - Come in a form of a shell script which facilitates SDK setup on a development host
- **Yocto allows you to generate two types of SDKs:**
 1. Generic i.e.

```
$ bitbake meta-toolchain
```

2. Image based i.e.

```
$ bitbake -c populate_sdk rpb-console-image
```

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