



# Linux on RISC-V

status update from firmware to distros

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# AGENDA



**Fedora**

**Fedora on RISC-V**



**Distro**

**Linux Distros on RISC-V**



**Status**

**The software component**



**Prospect**

**From IoT to HPC**

 **RISC-V Day**  
**Tokyo2023Summer**

Part I

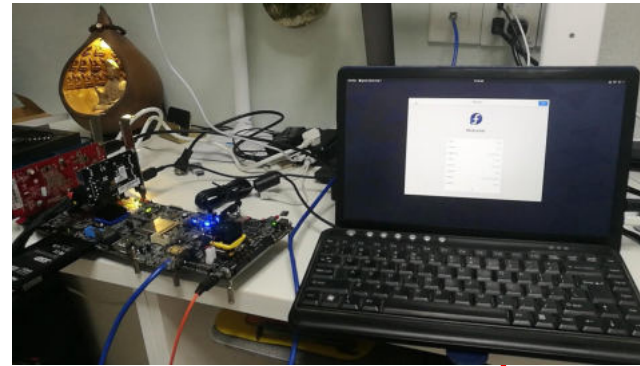
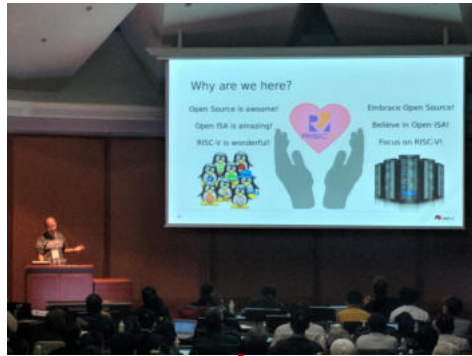
# Fedora on RISC-V



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# Fedora on riscv64 History



**rpmbuild on RISC-V**  
by Richard Jones



August 10, 2016

October 15, 2016

**The 1st bootstrap**

for Fedora 25  
as the first trial.



**The 2nd bootstrap**  
for Fedora 27  
as the final preparation



Jan 29, 2018

**The 3rd bootstrap**

for Fedora 28  
as the final bootstrap



March, 2018



**Koji**  
For RISC-V build farm



April 15, 2018

Graphic Desktop is enabled  
on a real RISC-V Hardware



Aug, 2018



**Red Hat**  
Join RISC-V  
Foundation



Jul, 2019



IBM is a Founding member  
of Foundation



Fedora  
29~32

**Fedora 38**

**Fedora 37**

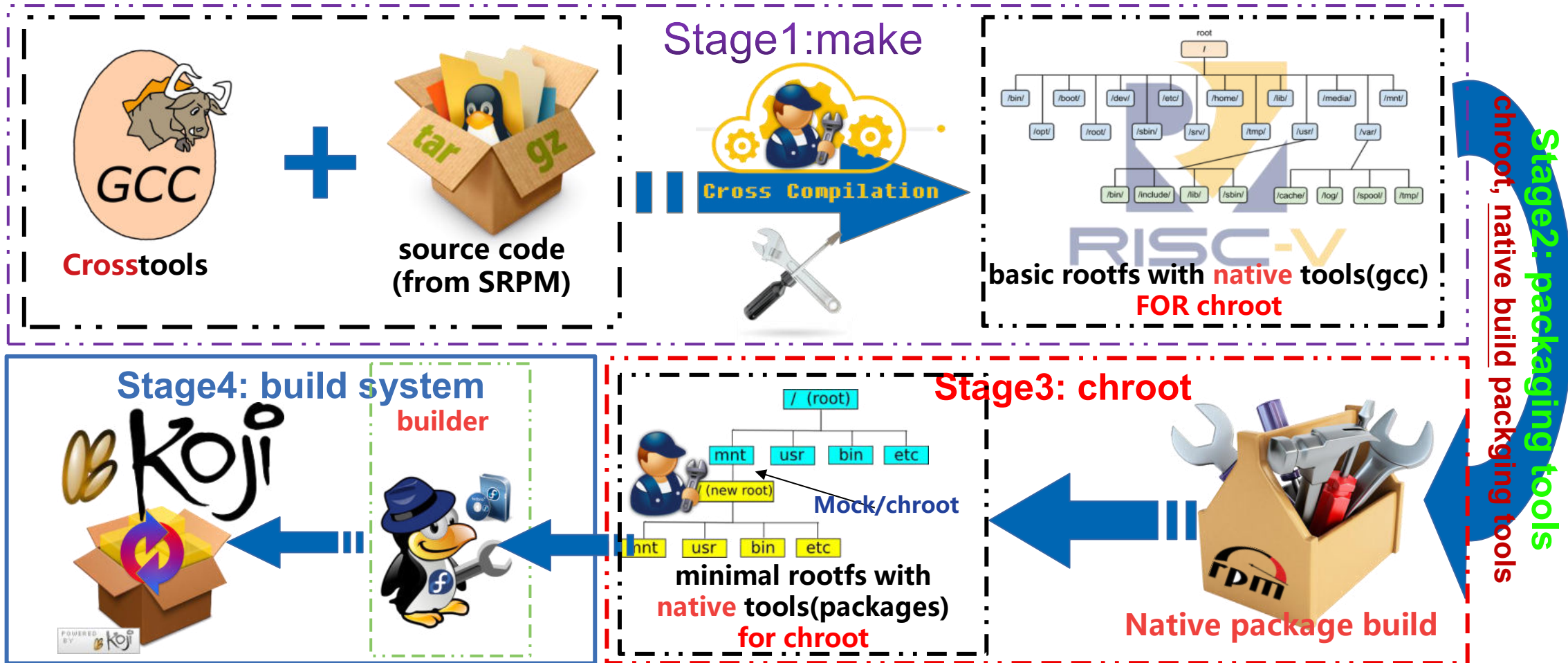


**Now**





# Fedora bootstrap for RV32 Now!



We are building the rpms for minimal rootfs in stage 3  Red Hat

# The Status of Fedora on RISC-V



## Fedora

Bootable: Yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot/UEFI + GRUB

package management: dnf + rpm

Build system: Koji + Mock

Status: Upgrading **Fedora 38**

**REPO: 19950/23118 [86.3%] srpm have been built**

## Koji system

Openkoji : <https://openkoji.iscas.ac.cn/>



**RISC-V Server Builder  
REAL Hardware Soon!**

# The Status of Fedora on RISC-V

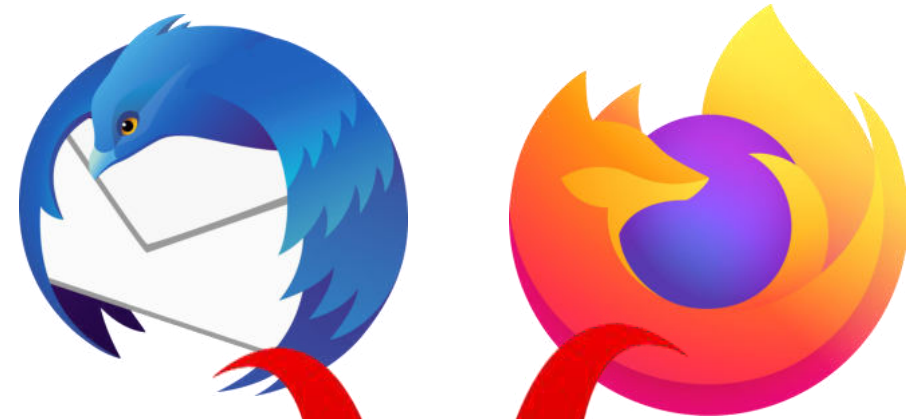


- **Remix Images**
  - **Spin: Server/Workstation/Cloud**
  - WIP Spin: IoT/CoreOS
- **main package version:**
  - Toolchain(up-to-date for F38)
    - gcc-13.1.1-2[**DONE**]
    - glibc-2.37.4[**DONE**]
    - Binutils 2.39-12[**DONE**]
  - libffi-3.4.4-2(up-to-date)
  - java-latest-openjdk-19.0.2.0.7→20 [**ONGOING**]
  - perl-5.36.1-497(up-to-date)
  - Python 3.11.3-2(up-to-date) → 3.12[**building**]
  - LLVM/Clang 16.0.4-1(up-to-date)
  - golang-1.20.4-1(up-to-date)
  - rust-1.70.0-1(up-to-date)

# The Status of desktop appreciation on RISC-V

Thunderbird 102.10.0 firefox-114.0-1

Libreoffice 7.5.3.2-2





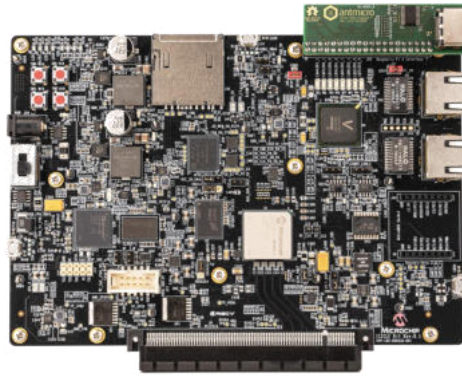
# The Status of Server appreciation on RISC-V



# Rich Hardware ecosystem



**SiFive Unmatched**



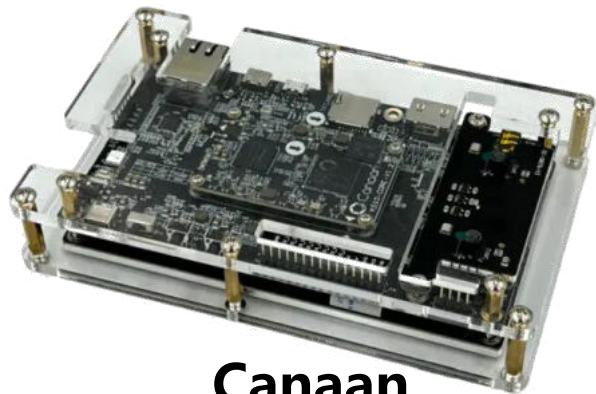
**PolarFire SoC Icicle Kit**



**算能 SOPHGO**



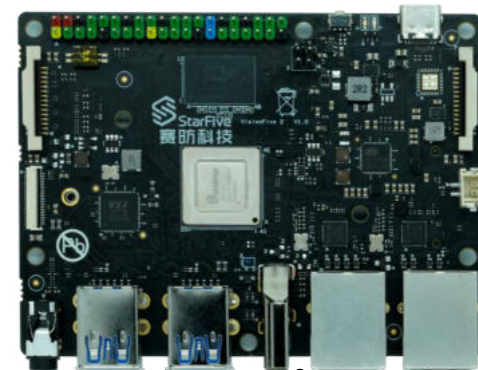
**Lichee Pi 4A**



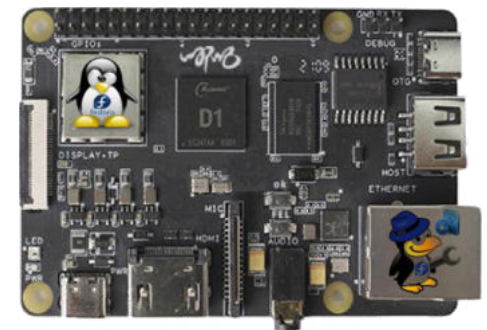
**Canaan Kendryte K510**



**Star64**



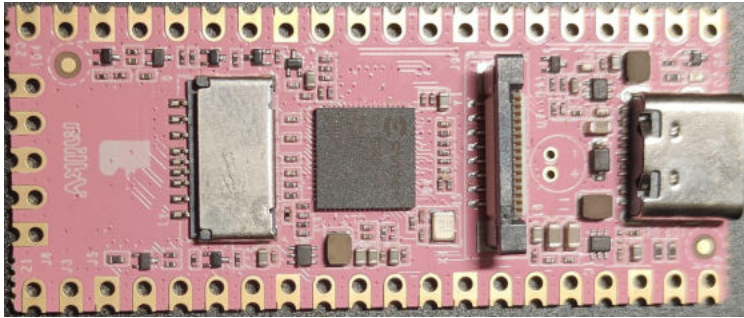
**StarFive VisionFive V2**



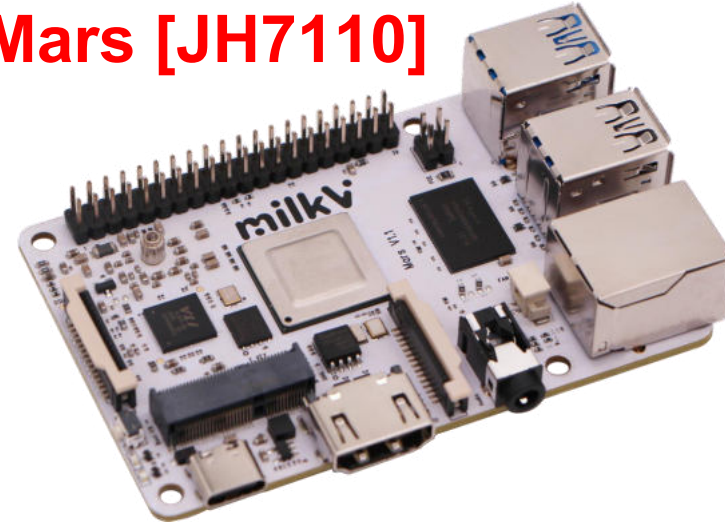
**Red Hat**

# Rich Hardware ecosystem: Milk-V Family

Duo [CV1800B]



Mars [JH7110]



Pioneer[SG2042]



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## Part II

# Linux Distros on RISC-V



Debian

Arch-Linux

Gentoo

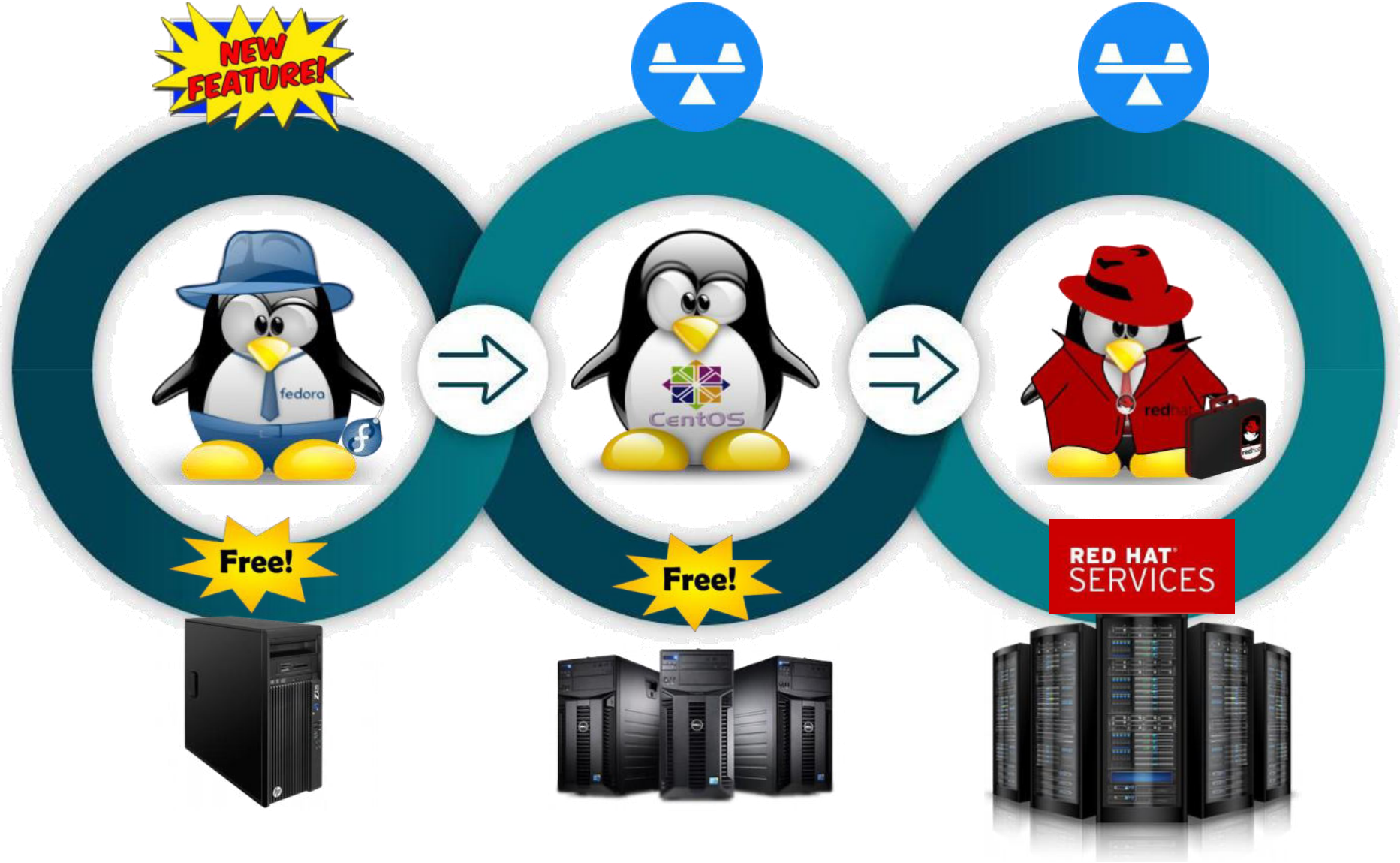
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# Fedora/CentOS stream/RHEL



# The Status of Linux Distro on RISC-V



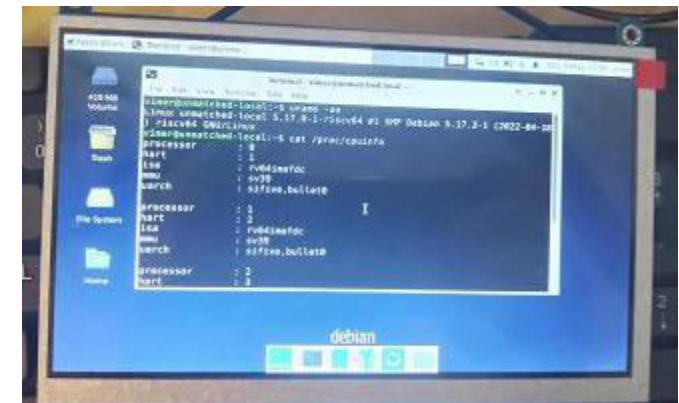
## Arch-Linux

Bootable: yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot on QEMU and Hardwares  
package management: pacman + bsdtar  
Build system: Arch Build System(ABS) , but currently using devtools (systemd-nspawn)  
Status: **bootable Image**



## Debian

Bootable: Yes, on QEMU and Hardware  
package management: apt + deb  
Build system: buildd  
Status: In maintenance



### Info Source:

Arch: Felix Yan(晏然), Sequencer(刘玖阳)

Debian: <https://wiki.debian.org/RISC-V>

<https://riscv.org/exchange/software/>

# The Status of Linux Distro on RISC-V



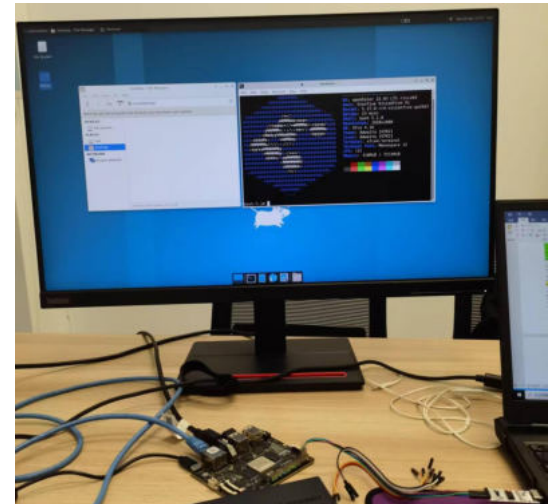
## Gentoo

Bootable: Yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot on QEMU&hardware  
package management: emerge + portage  
Build system: portage  
Status: **bootable Image**



## openEuler

Bootable: Yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot on QEMU and Hardwares  
package management: dnf + rpm  
Build system: OBS, Koji or oepkg  
Status: **bootable Image**



### Info Source:

Gentoo: <https://github.com/dlan17> , 蓝一勋, 曹野@RIOS  
openEuler: openEuler RISC-V SIG, Institute of Software, CAS.

# Android on RISC-V



## Info Source:

Android : <https://github.com/T-head-Semi/aosp-riscv>

<https://plctlab.github.io/aosp/create-a-minimal-android-system-for-riscv.html>

<https://riscv.org/blog/2022/10/first-patches-from-alibaba-cloud-enable-android-open-source-project-on-risc-v-han-mao-and-david-chen-alibaba-could/>

## Android Open Source Project (AOSP)

Bootable: Yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot on QEMU and C910

package management: apk

Build system: Android Studio

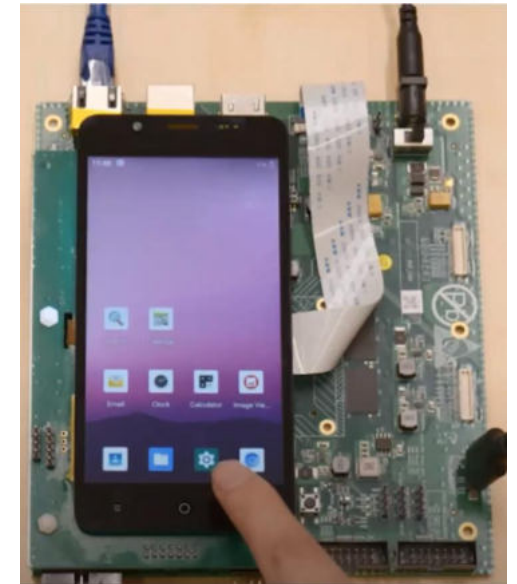
Status: demo can run on C910



RVI: <https://github.com/riscv-android-src>

PLCT lab: <https://github.com/aosp-riscv>

[First Patches from Alibaba Cloud Enable AOSP on RISC-V](#)





# Linux software development info for RISC-V



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Institute of Software Chinese Academy of Sciences

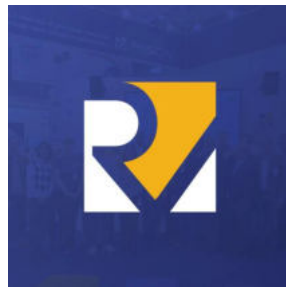
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Compilers, Runtimes, and Emulators.

**RISC-V East Asia  
Biweekly Sync  
[中文]**



**I WANT YOU! I WANT YOU**



**RISC-V Open Hours  
[English]**

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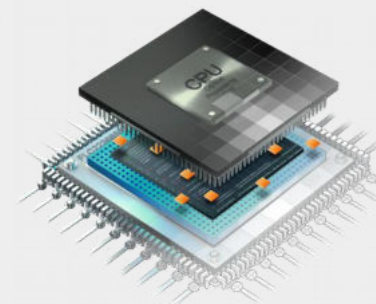
<https://github.com/cnrv/RISCV-East-Asia-Biweekly-Sync>

<https://community.riscv.org/risc-v-open-hours/>

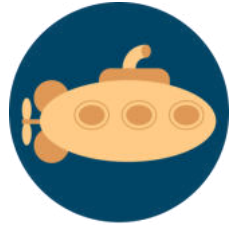


## Part III

# The software component



# The Status of RISC-V Firmware and Linux



U-Boot



## OpenSBI

Firmware for RISC-V, upstream **main** branch, **generic** platform with the right **dtb** file.  
**NO patch required for most of platforms**



## U-boot

The latest u-boot(upstream, **main** )with **some patches** works fine on RISC-V, can boot some **Linux** distros.



## GRUB2

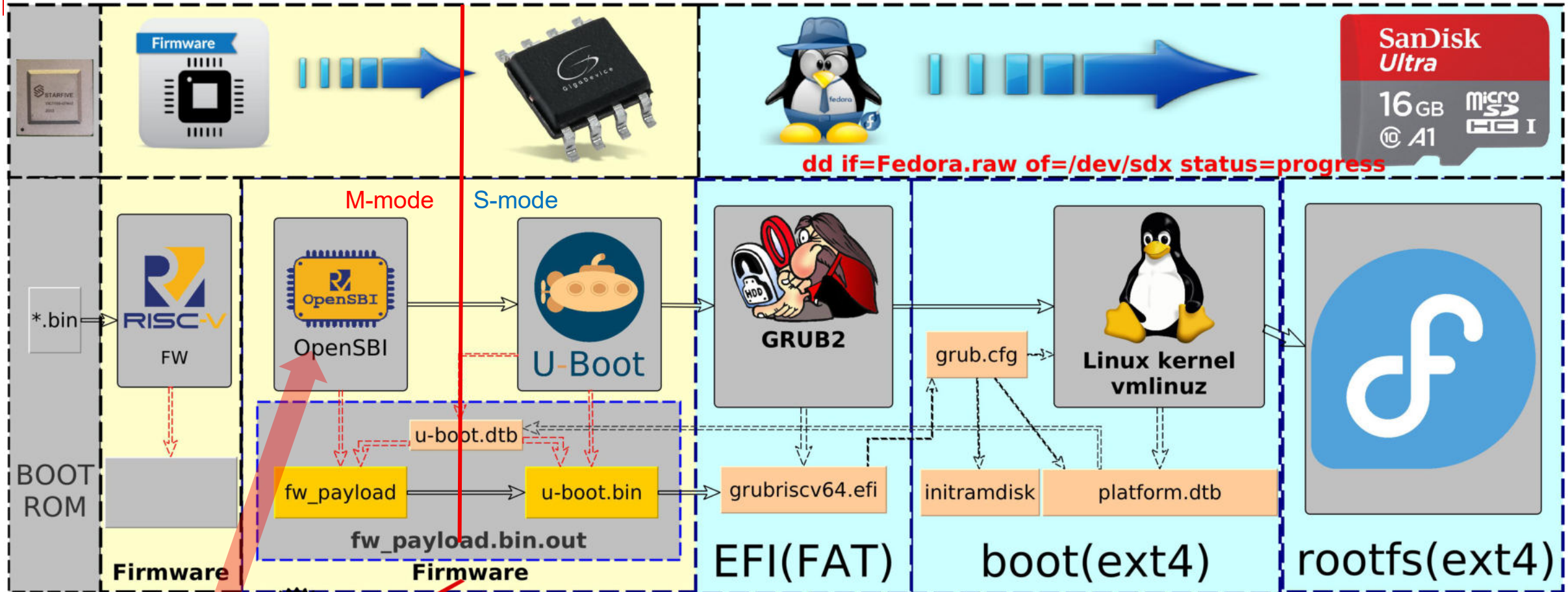
The GRUB(mainline) **without any patch** works well on riscv64, can boot Linux distros.



## Linux kernel

The **upstream main** branch of Linux works well on RISC-V. We are working with opensource community together on upstreaming the patches for some platform.

# Boot flow for Linux on riscv64 [embedded]



## RustSBI



RISC-V SBI library in Rust, runs on M or HS mode; good support for embedded Rust ecosystem.

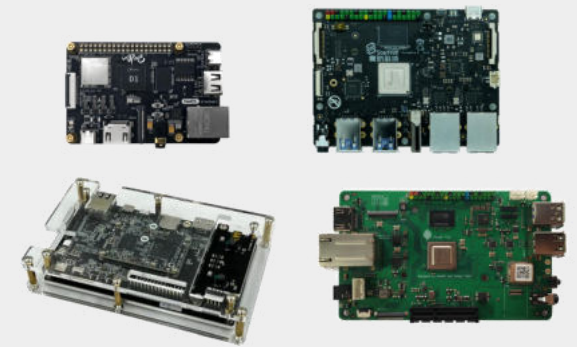
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<https://github.com/rustsbi>



## Part III

# From IoT to HPC



# The Status of RISC-V Firmware for PC & Server



## UEFI: Unified Extensible Firmware Interface.

Some companies have worked on edk2 based on HPE' work which incorporates with OpenSBI .

**Some real hardware platforms have got edk2 support since the development stage.**



## ACPI: Advanced Configuration and Power Interface

Static tables provided by system firmware to the standard ACPI compliant OS for system info and configuration.

Contributors from Ventana Micro Systems:

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**Rahul Pathak**

**Kumar Sankaran**

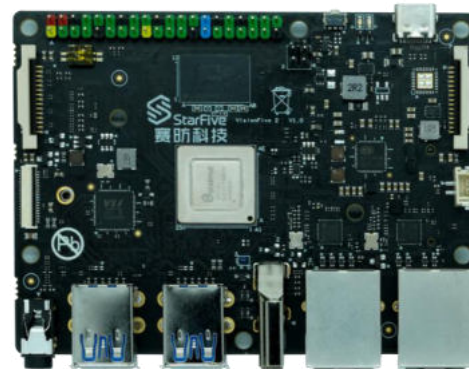
**Mayuresh Chitale**

[\[PATCH V6 00/21\] Add basic ACPI support for RISC-V](#) patchset has been **MERGED** into maintainer' s tree since 1 Jun 2023.

# The Platforms have run EDK2 with GRUB on them



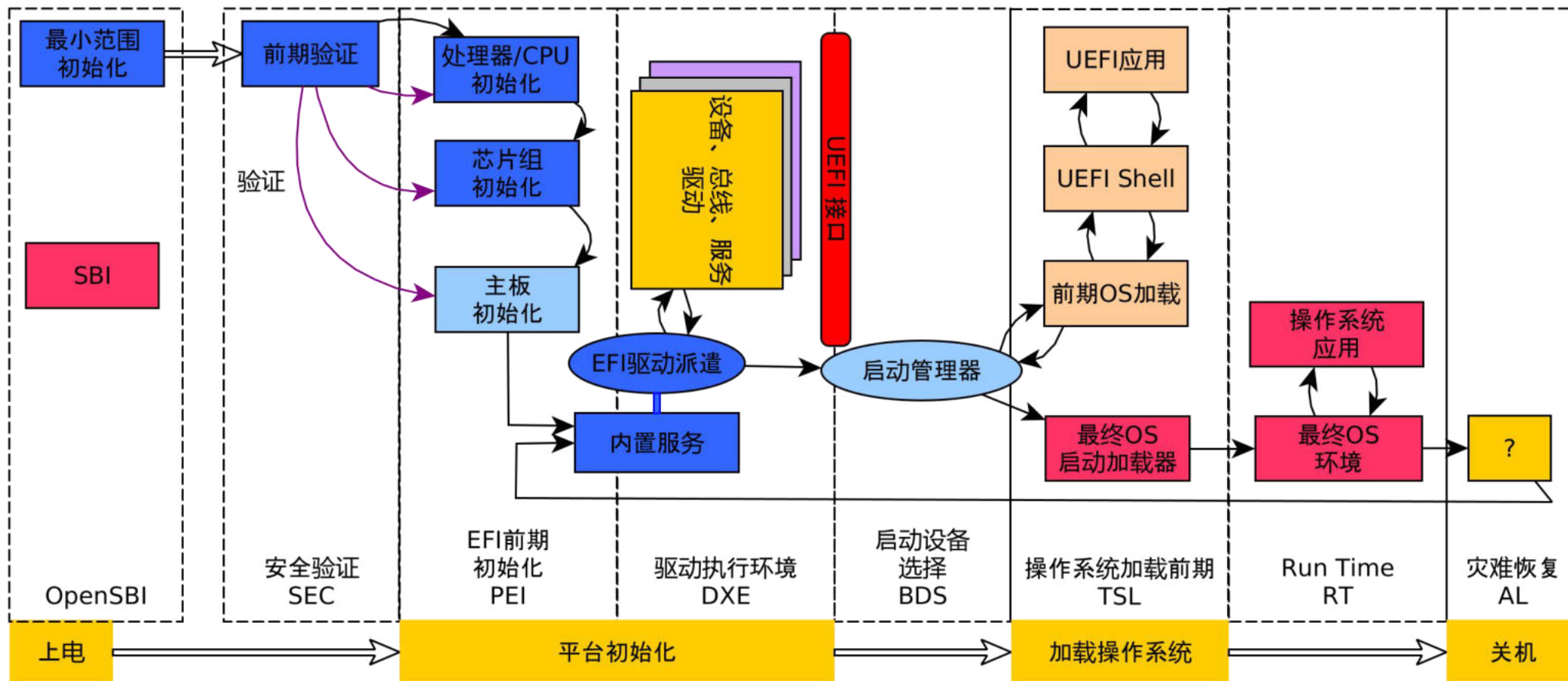
And MORE are  
under development



StarFive VisionFive  
V2 (JH7110)

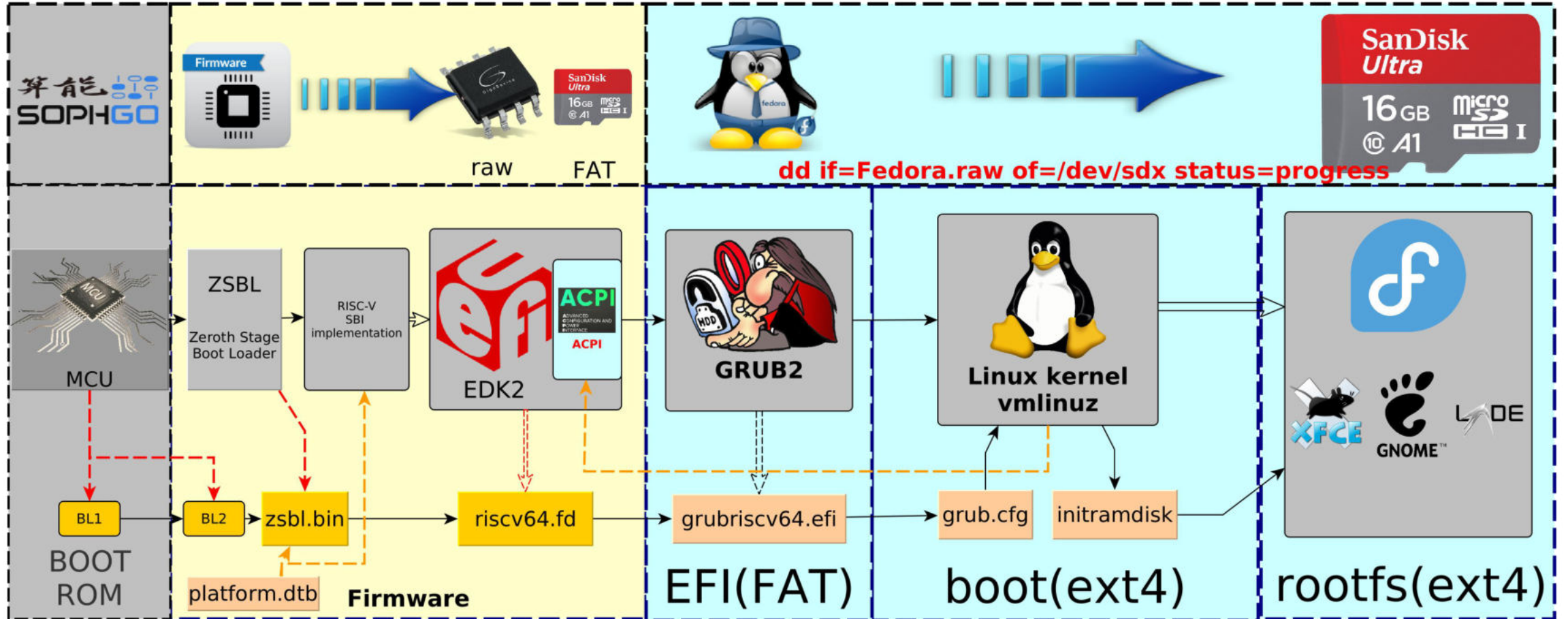


# The OpenSBI + EDK2 SG2042[Ongoing]





# The future boot flow for SG2042[EDK2 + GRUB]



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