



Linux Distros on RISC-V

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AGENDA



Fedora

Fedora 36 on RISC-V



Demo

Run Fedora 36 on QEMU(riscv64)



Distro

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Status

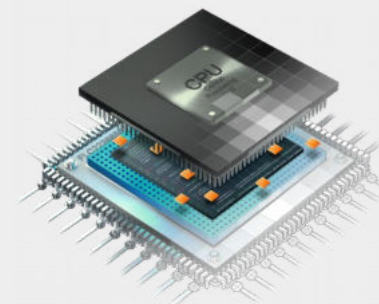
The software component

Part I

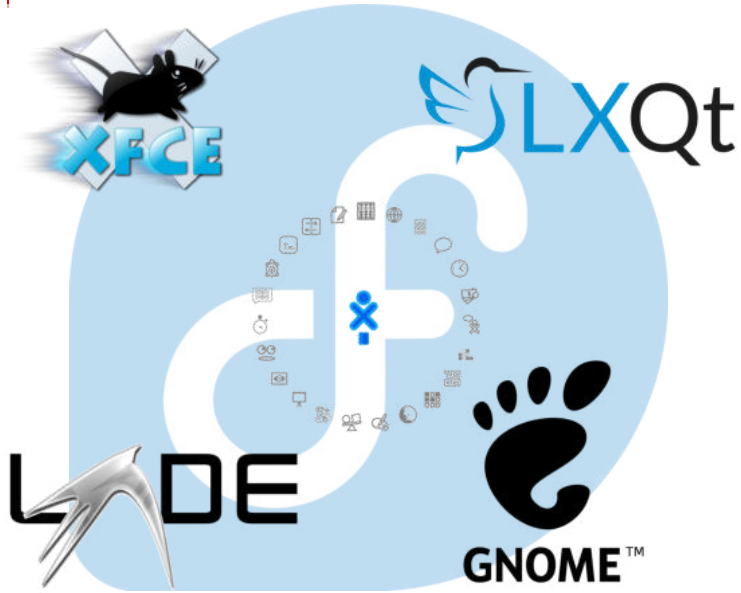
Fedora 36 on RISC-V



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The Status of Fedora on RISC-V



Fedora

Bootable: Yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot on QEMU&Hardware
package management: dnf + rpm

Build system: Koji + Mock

Status: In maintenance , **Fedora 36**

REPO : 14400+ srpm have been built

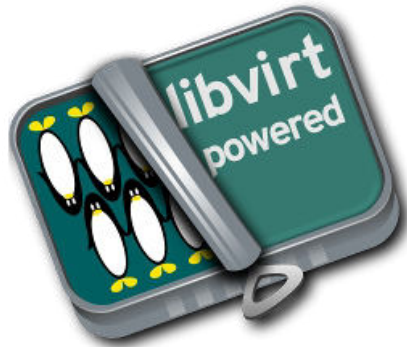
Repositories in China

<https://isrc.iscas.ac.cn/mirror/fedora-riscv/>

<http://openkoji.iscas.ac.cn/pub/>

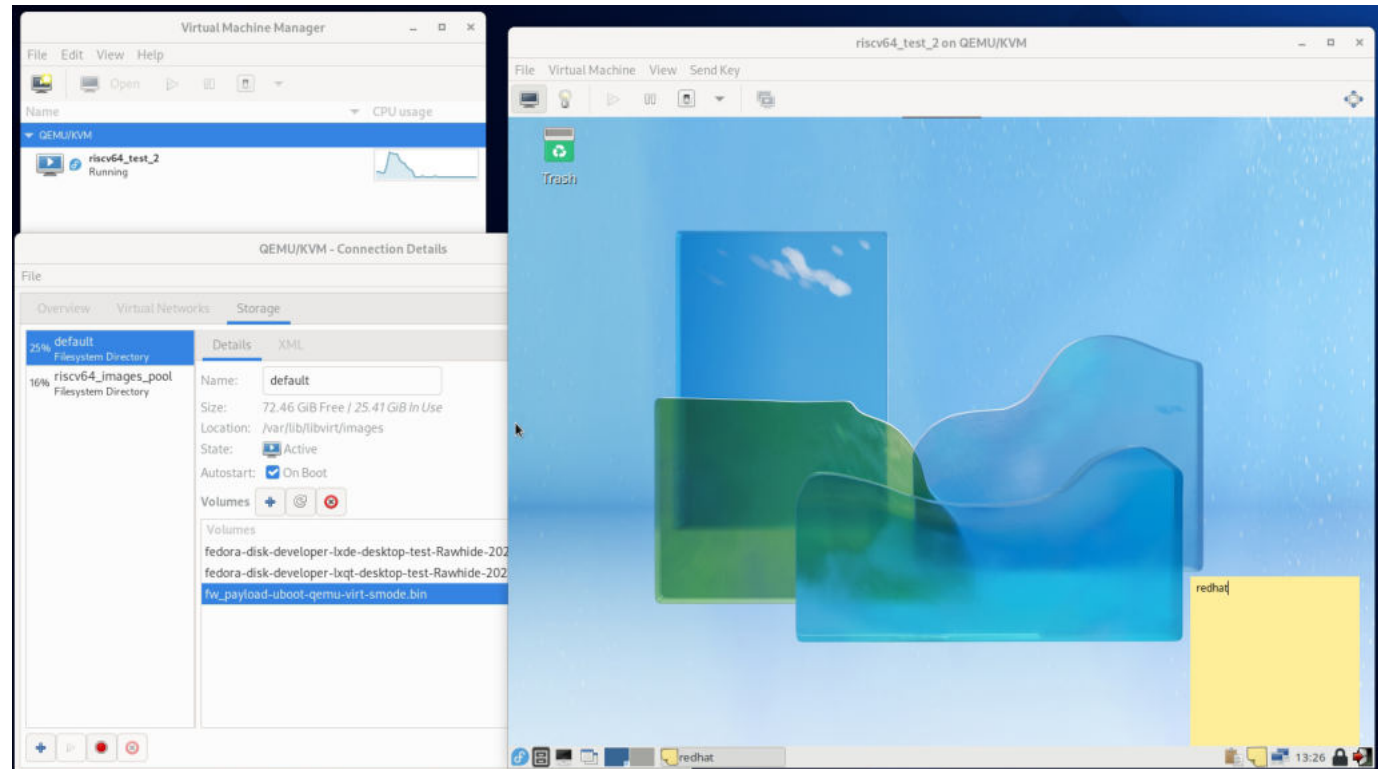


Major test Targets

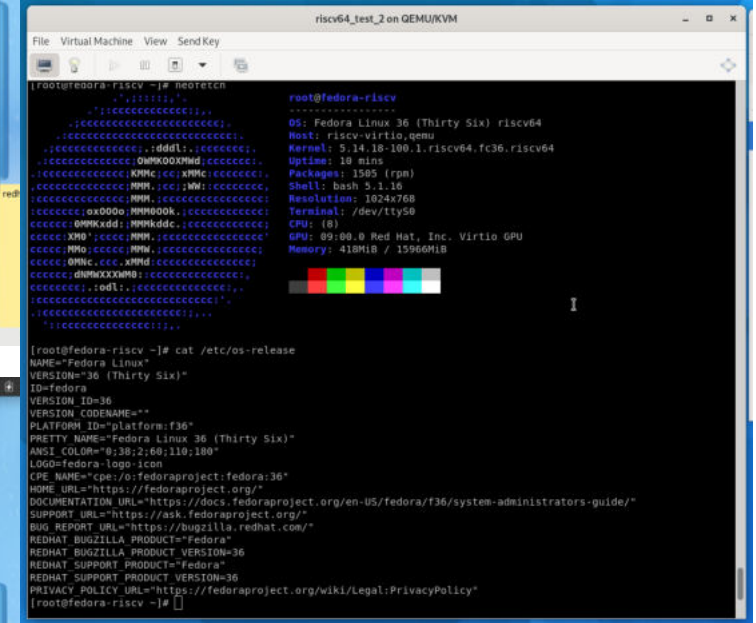
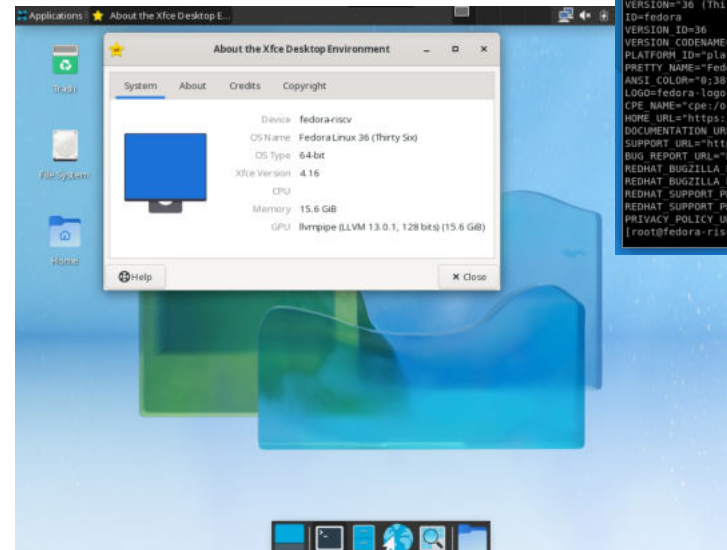
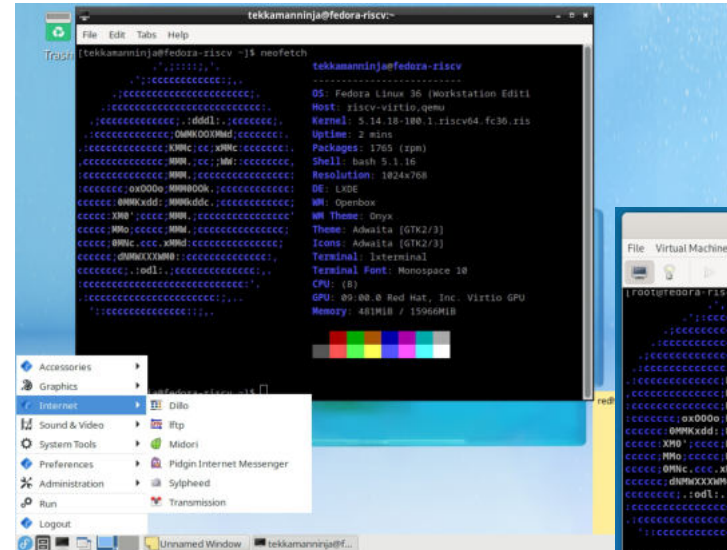
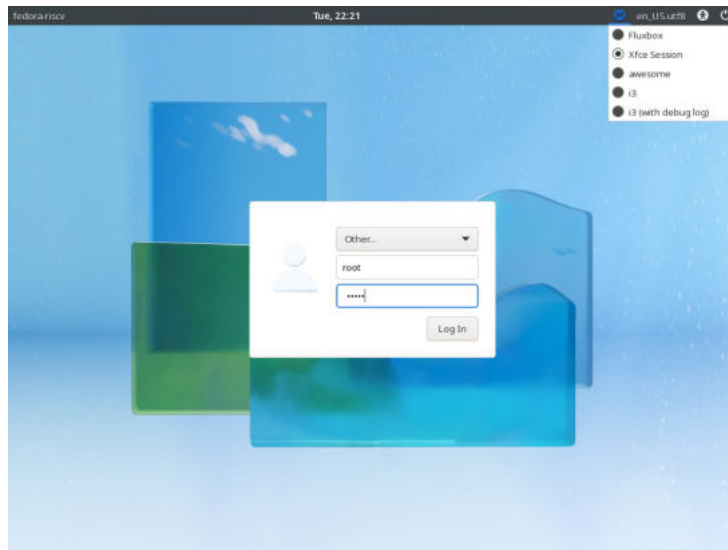


Virtual: QEMU and libvirt/QEMU

Fedora Images can run on the libvirt/QEMU with graphics parameters (Spice).



Run Fedora 36 on QEMU(riscv64)



Supported Targets



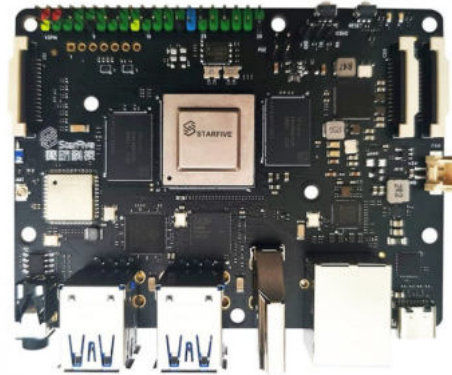
StarFive
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JingHong Platform - JH71X0

Fedora Images can run on VisionFive.

OpenSBI+U-Boot+Linux kernel are upstreaming.



StarFive VisionFive
V1 (JH7100)



StarFive VisionFive
V2 (JH7110)



Supported Targets (On Going)



SiFive Unmatched



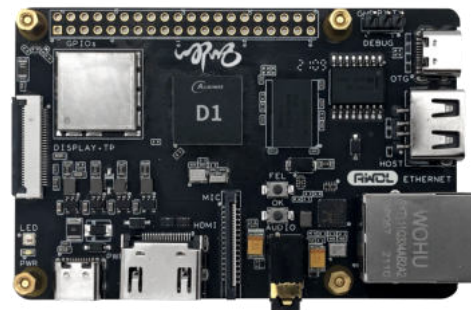
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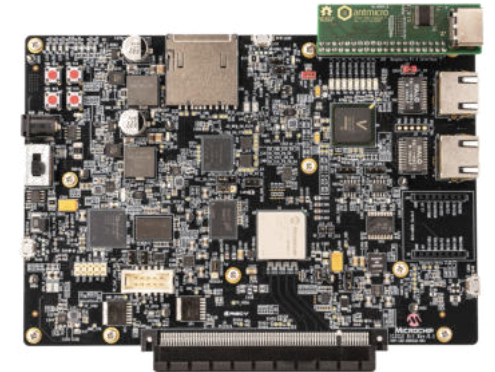
SiFive Unleashed



Canaan Kendryte K510 CRB



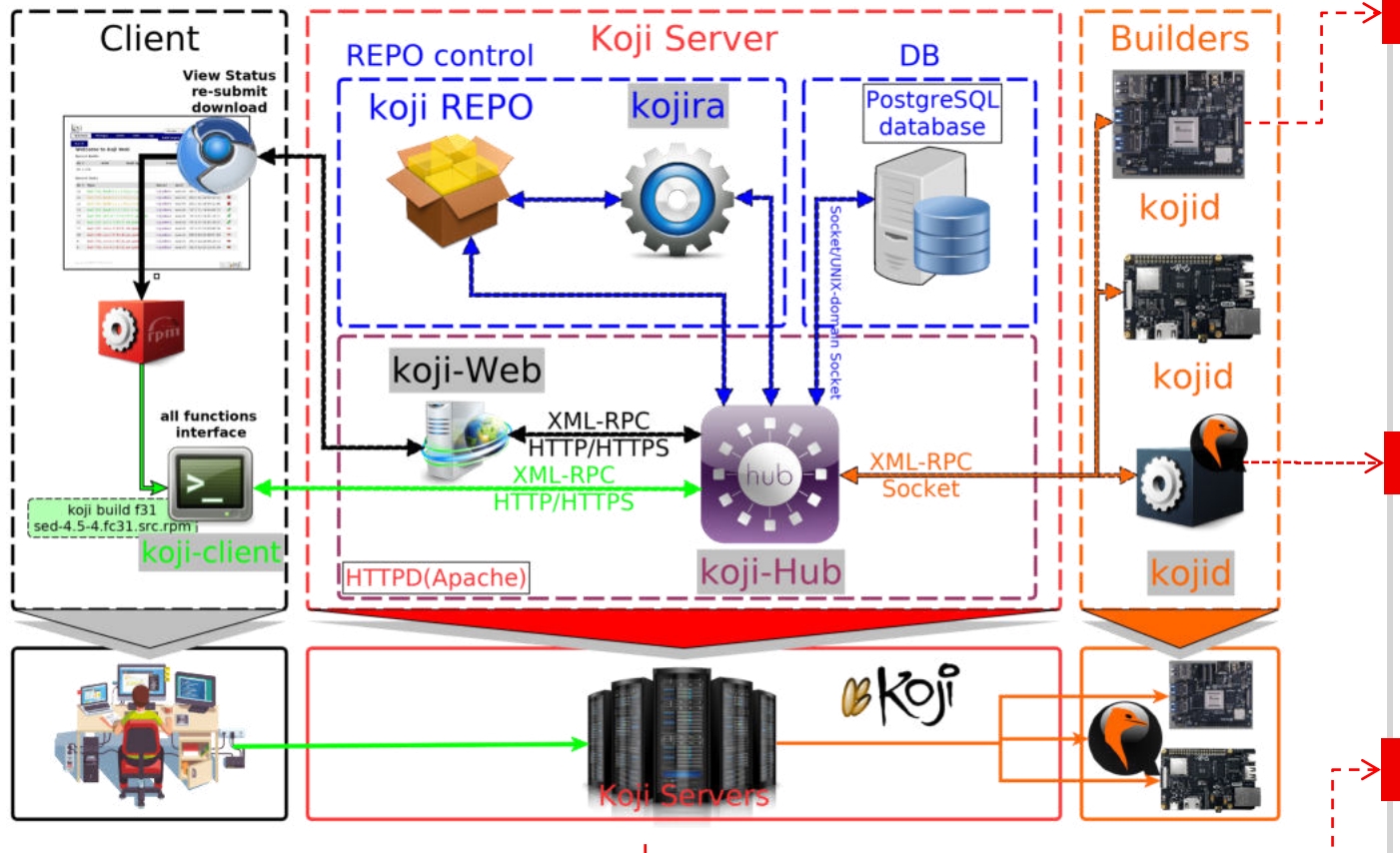
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PolarFire SoC Icicle Kit

Koji Build System for RPMs & Image

Koji builds RPMs for the Fedora Project and EPEL.



VisionFive 1 & 2



QEMU VMs(on x86_64)
72+



An x86_64 server
for all central infrastructure

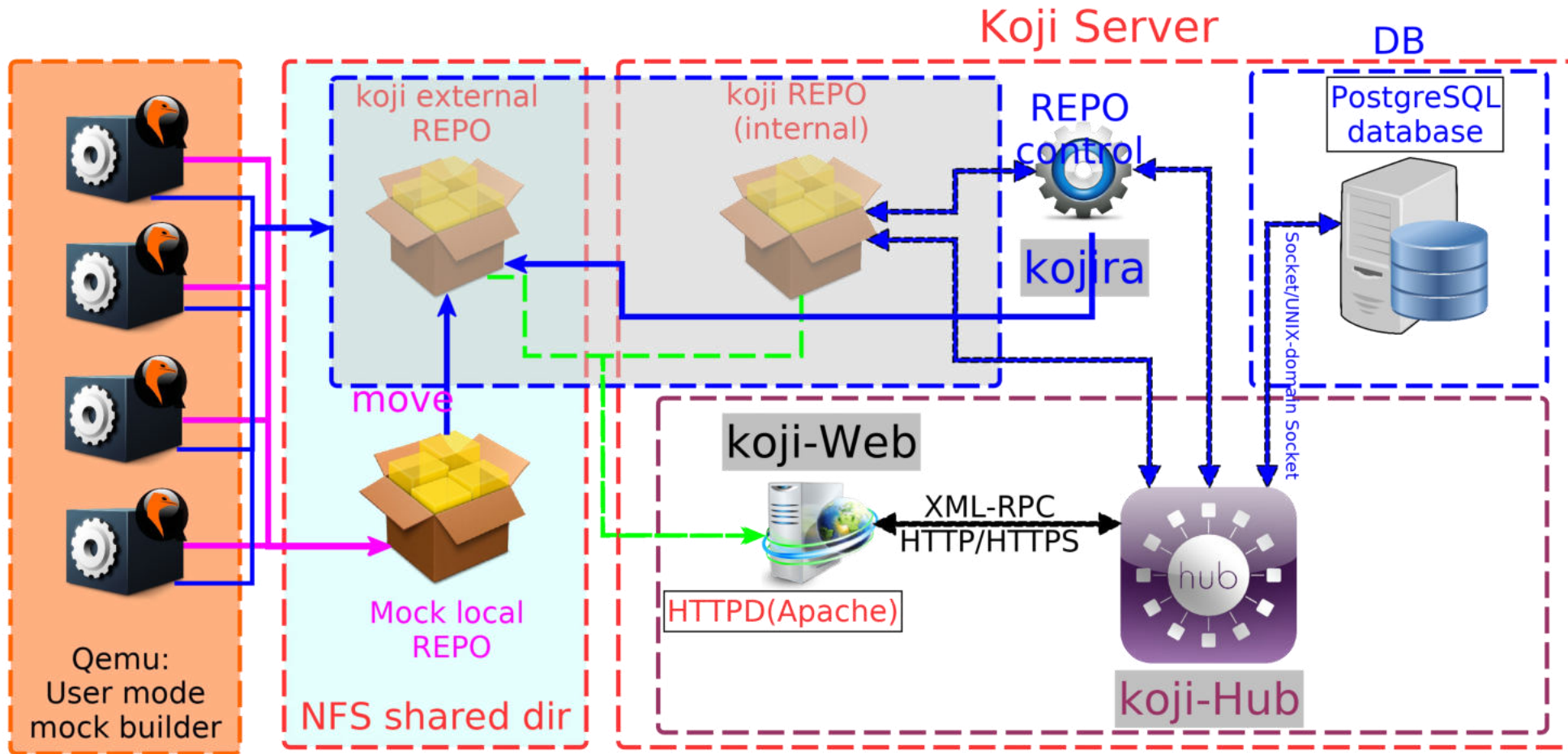
Main sever, repository creation and VMs
with backup(separate NVMe).

We are working on some Koji server for RV64 in China:

ISCAS: <https://openkoji.iscas.ac.cn/koji/>

Oepkgs: <https://oepkgs.net/>

mock builder(user mode) with Koji Build System



Part II

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Debian

Arch-Linux

Gentoo

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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**



chromium

Chromium OS

Bootable: stage3 rootfs, need to be tested with FW
package management:
Build system: cros_sdk
Status: **stage3(console) , in reproduce, then moving forward**

Info Source:

Gentoo: <https://github.com/dlan17> , 蓝一勋 , 曹野@RIOS

Chromium OS: 曹野@RIOS

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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



openEuler

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



Android

Bootable: Yes, OpenSBI + U-Boot on QEMU and C910
package management: apk
Build system: Android Studio
Status: demo can run on C910, ART is underdevelopment



Info Source:

openEuler: openEuler RISC-V SIG , 中科院软件所

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

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

The Status of Embedded Linux on RISC-V



Slackware

Bootable: No, chroot from Fedora Image
package management: slackpkg+pkgtools
Status: under development

OpenWrt
Wireless Freedom

BuildRoot
Making Embedded Linux Easy

yocto PROJECT
openembedded

OpenWRT, Buildroot Yocto/OpenEmbedded

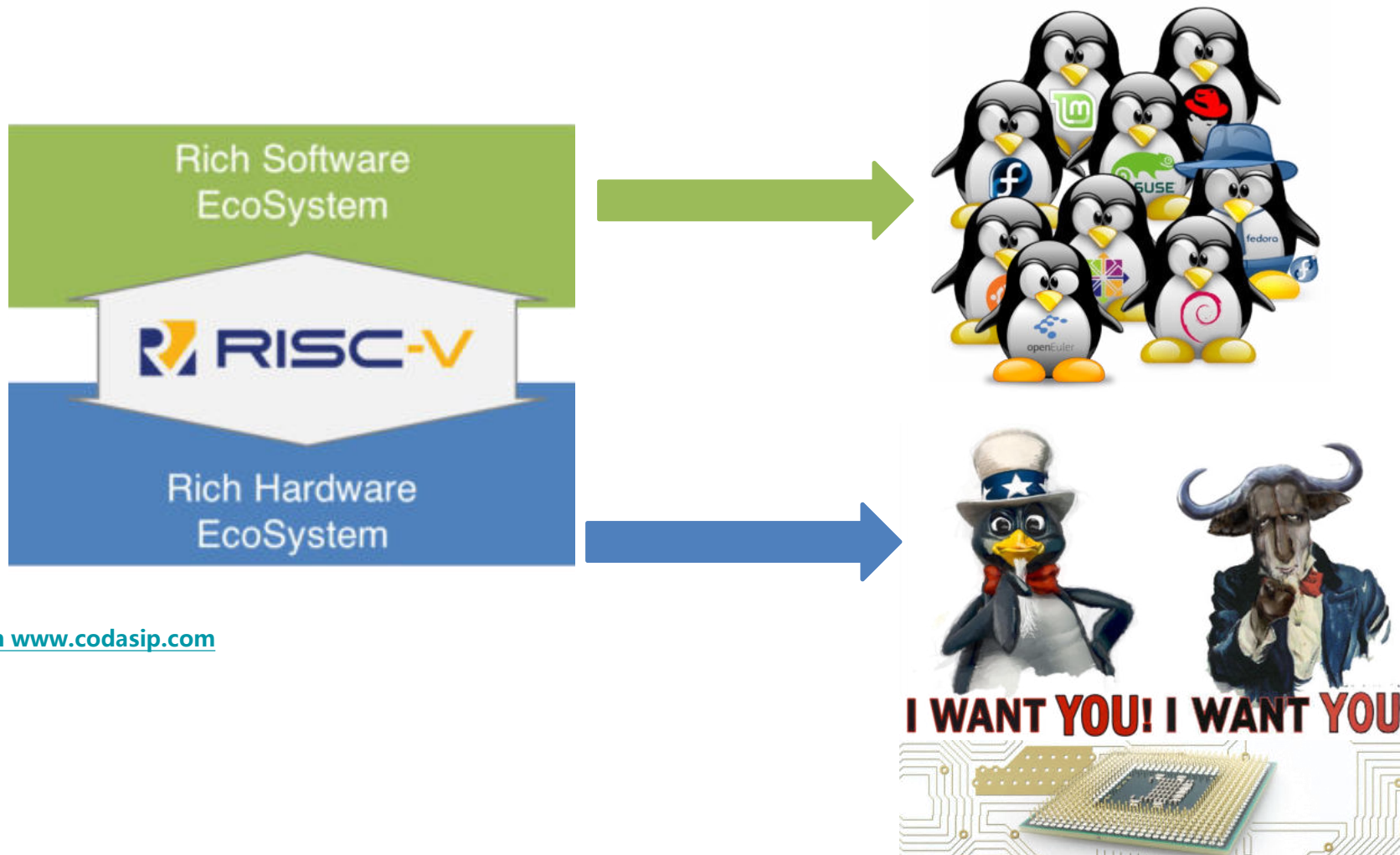
Bootable: yes, BBL or U-boot
package management: buildtime or Opkg
Build system: Cross-compilation
Status: In maintenance

Info Source:

Slackware: https://github.com/fede2cr/slackware_riscv

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

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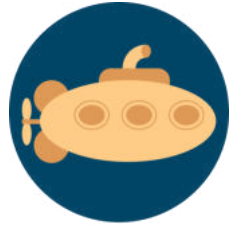
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Part III

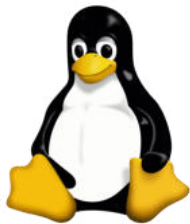
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The Status of RISC-V Firmware and Linux



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

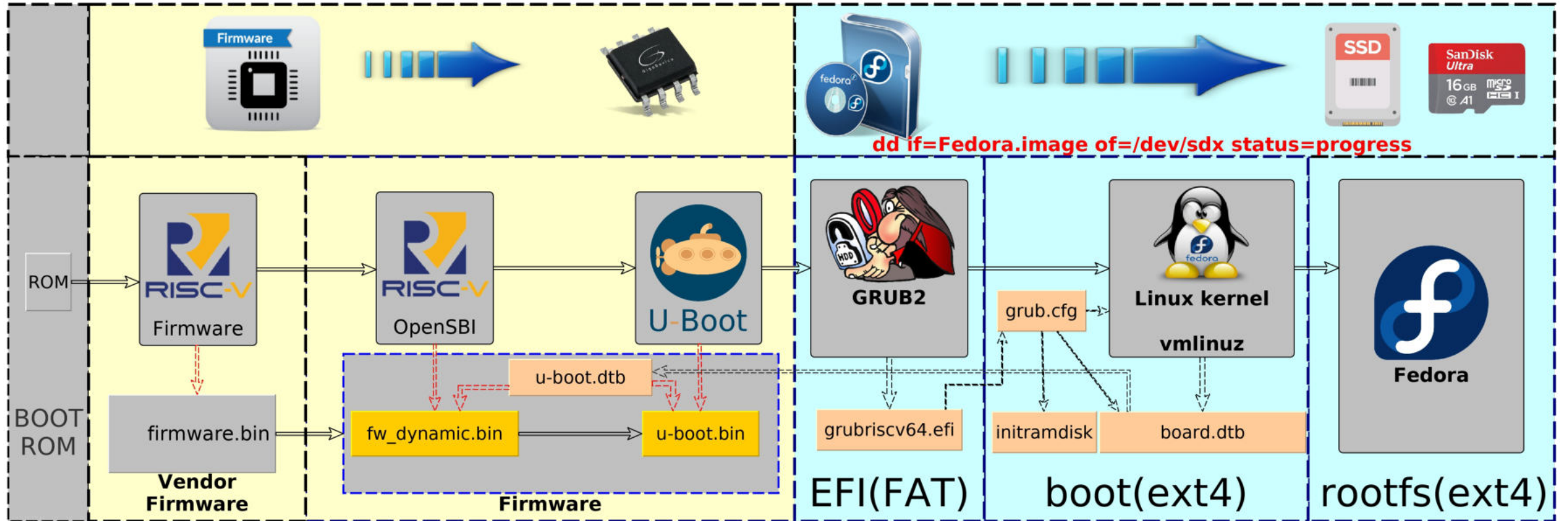
The GRUB(mainline)with a few patches works well on riscv64, can boot Linux distros.



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.

Standard boot flow for Linux on riscv64



The Status of RISC-V Firmware for PC & Server



UEFI: Unified Extensible Firmware Interface.

HPE is currently working on the next RISC-V edk2 port release which incorporates with OpenSBI v0.9 that supports the firmware domains for HSM.

HPE is also working on RISC-V EDK2 OVMF and Starlight platforms. Contributors from HPE :

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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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<https://linuxplumbersconf.org/event/11/sessions/114/#20210921>

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