

Piece of cake – testing remote embedded devices made easy

using open-hardware MuxPi

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Introduction

Tizen use cases



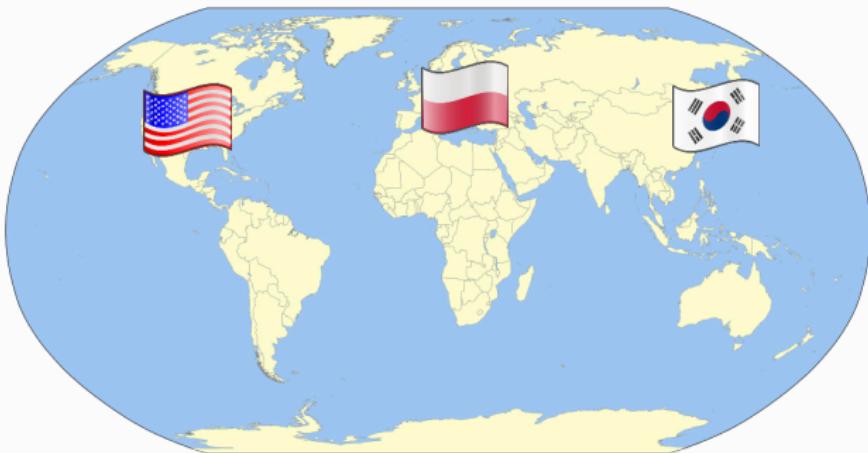
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Release engineering

- Continuous platform development
- QA step prior pulling new changes
- Package internal tests are **not** enough



Remote accessibility



- Easy to store in a secure manner
- Less effort than per developer
- Better utilized when shared

Previous efforts



- Linaro Automated Validation Architecture
- Automation system for deploying operating systems
- Virtual and physical hardware supported
- Allows running boot, bootloader and system level tests

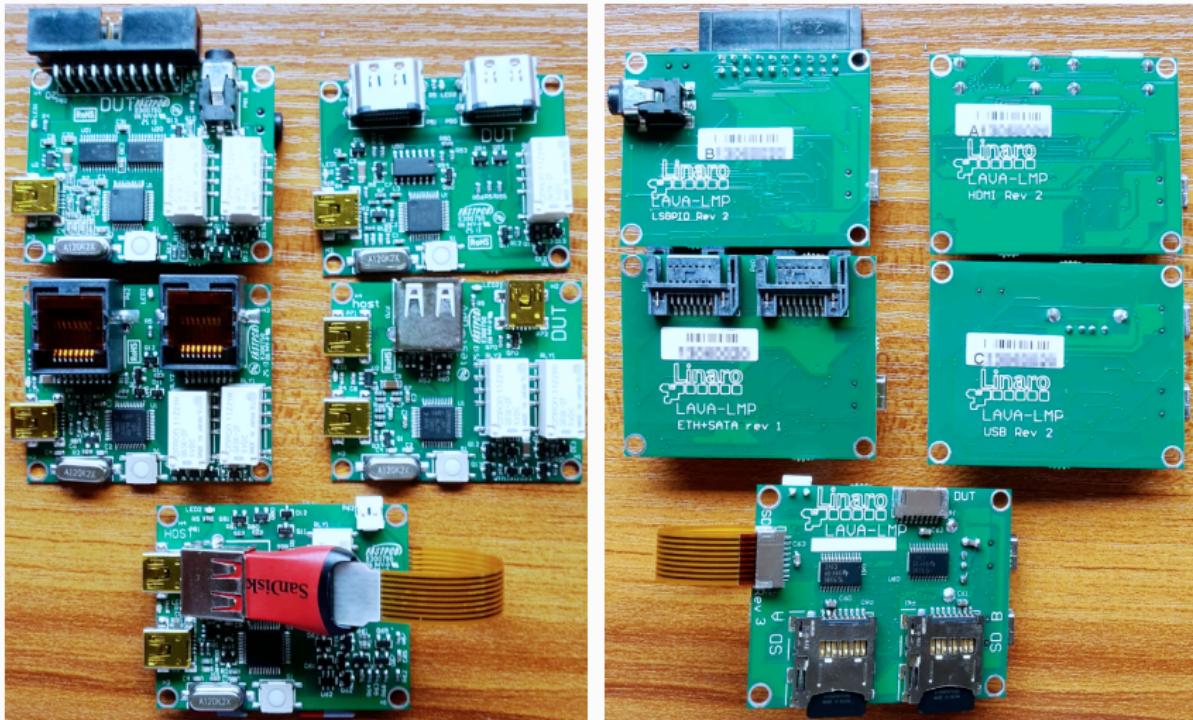
Statistics

Since **May 2014** we:

- Ran **13,432** jobs on **65** unique trees and **12,921** unique kernels.
- Performed **2,039,645** builds on **277** unique defconfigs.
- Performed **3,494,550** boots on **271** unique boards, across **3** architectures and **34** unique SoCs.

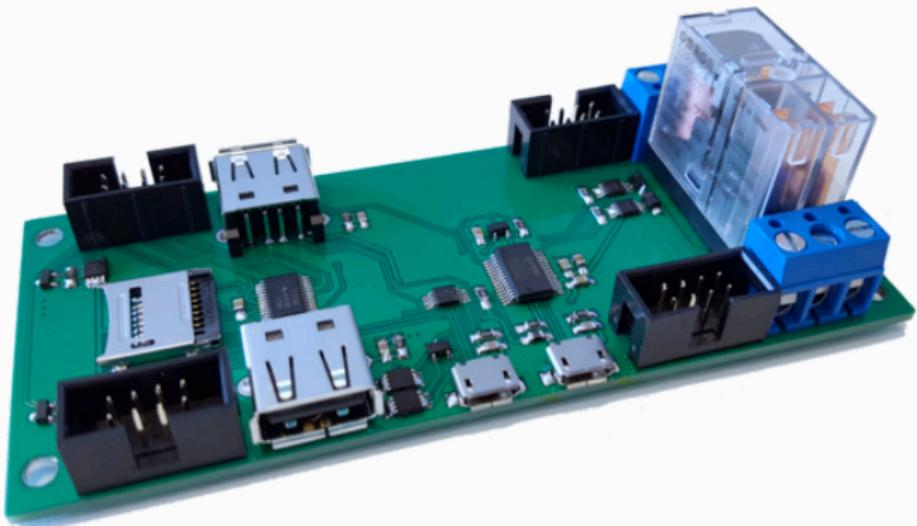
<https://kernelci.org/stats/>

LAVA LMP



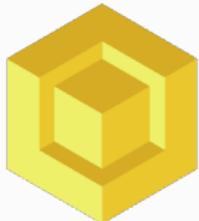
<https://linux.codehelp.co.uk/the-problem-of-sd-mux.html>

SD MUX – open hardware



<https://git.tizen.org/cgit/tools/testlab/sd-mux>

Autohat board (SD MUX-based)



resin.io



<https://github.com/resin-io/autohat-board>

SD MUX issues

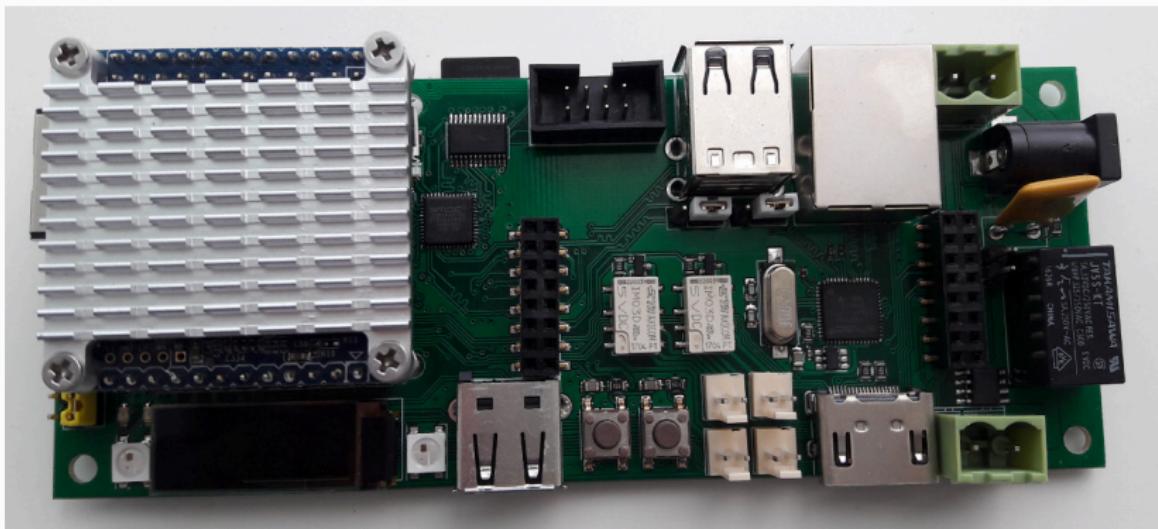
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$ dmesg | tail -12
[ 98.375599] usb 3-1: new full-speed USB device number 12 using xhci_hcd
[ 98.487663] usb 3-1: device descriptor read/64, error -71
[ 98.703656] usb 3-1: device descriptor read/64, error -71
[ 98.919658] usb 3-1: new full-speed USB device number 13 using xhci_hcd
[ 98.919969] usb 3-1: Device not responding to setup address.
[ 99.123998] usb 3-1: Device not responding to setup address.
[ 99.327681] usb 3-1: device not accepting address 13, error -71
[ 99.439718] usb 3-1: new full-speed USB device number 14 using xhci_hcd
[ 99.440049] usb 3-1: Device not responding to setup address.
[ 99.644028] usb 3-1: Device not responding to setup address.
[ 99.847719] usb 3-1: device not accepting address 14, error -71
[ 99.847819] usb usb3-port1: unable to enumerate USB device
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Idea

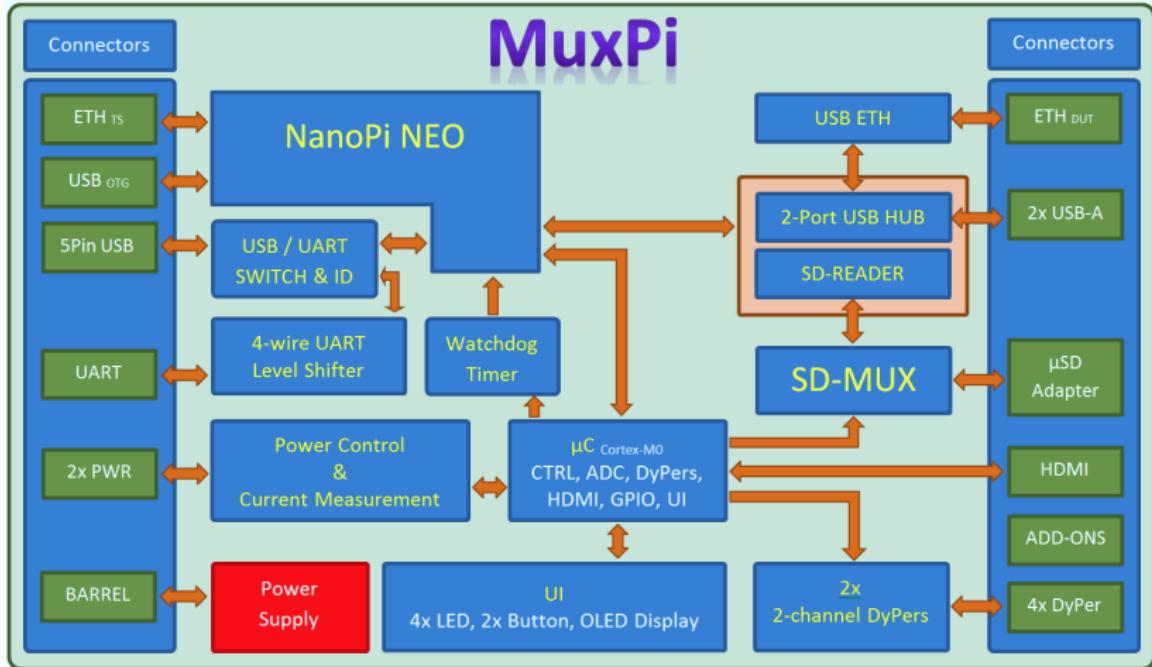
Lessons learnt



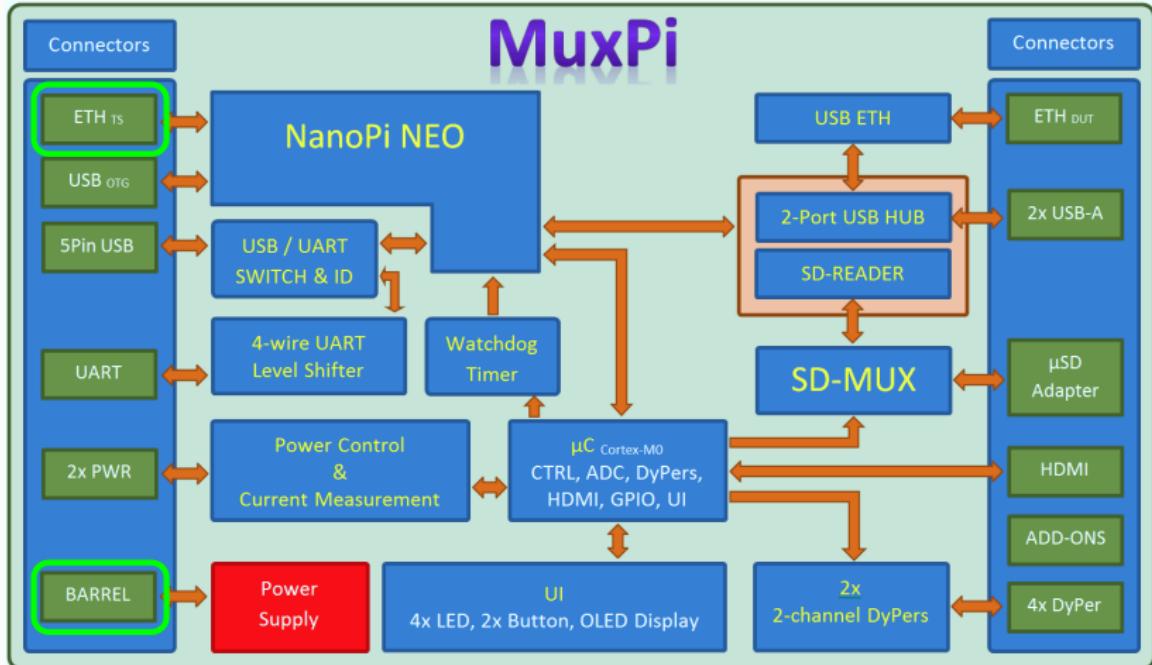
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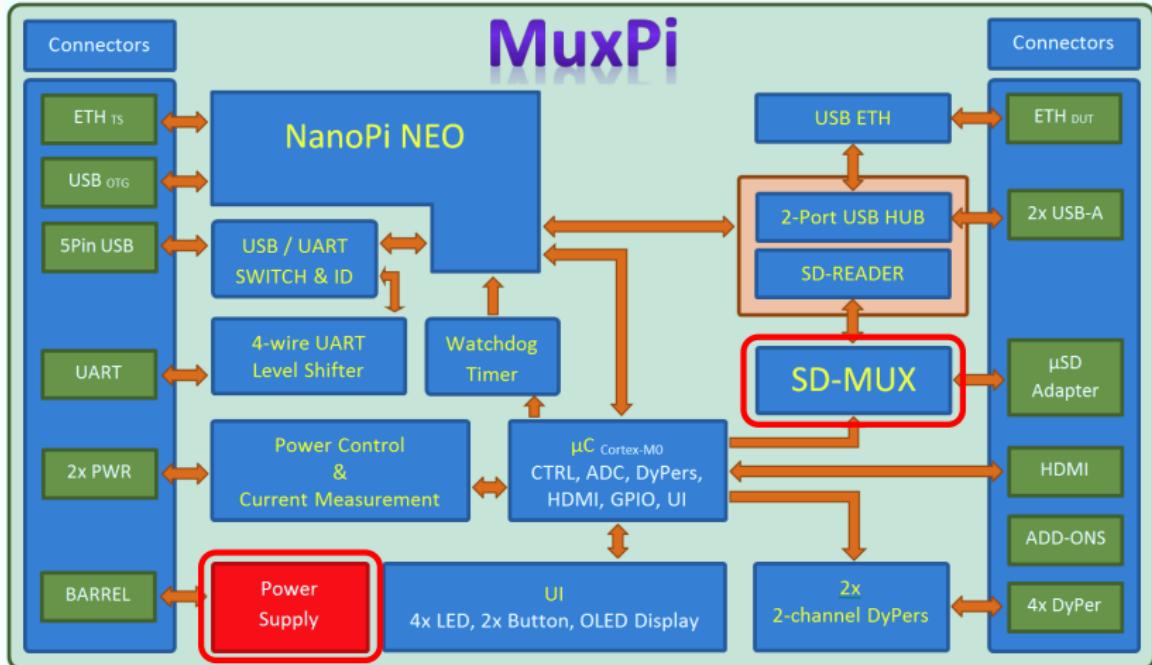
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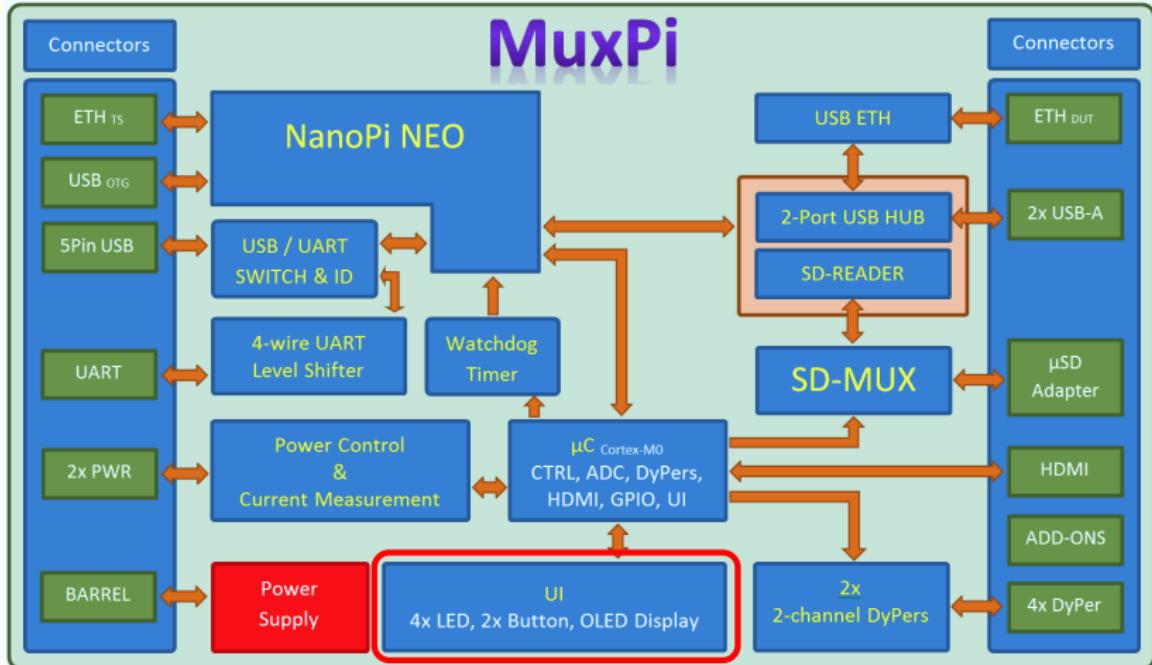
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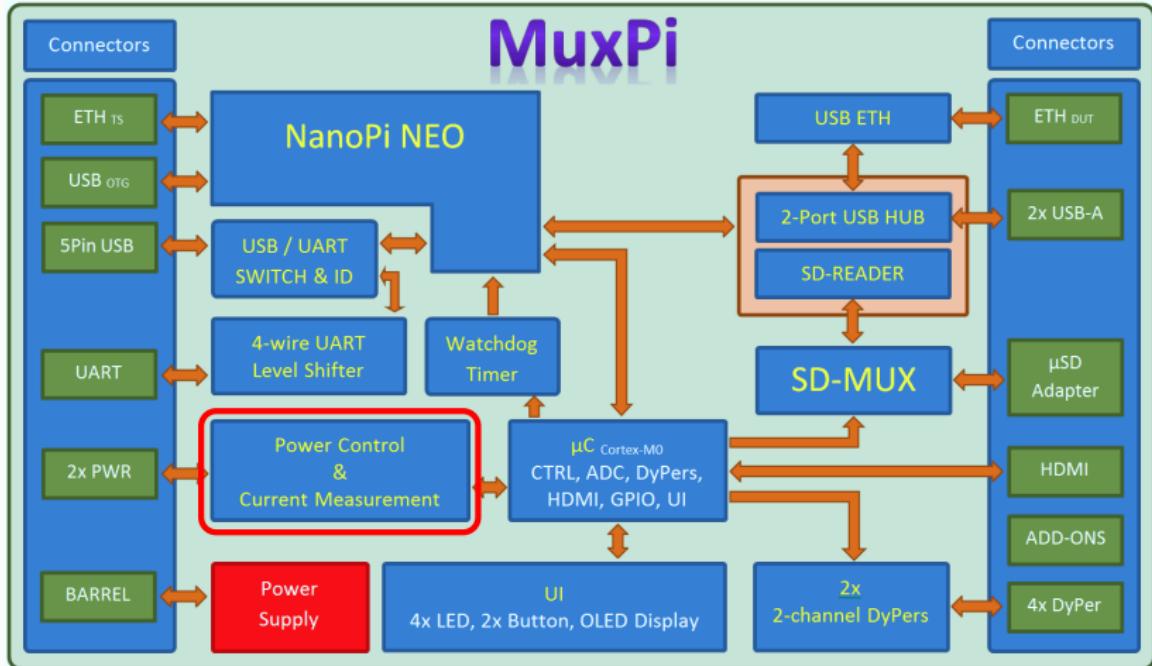
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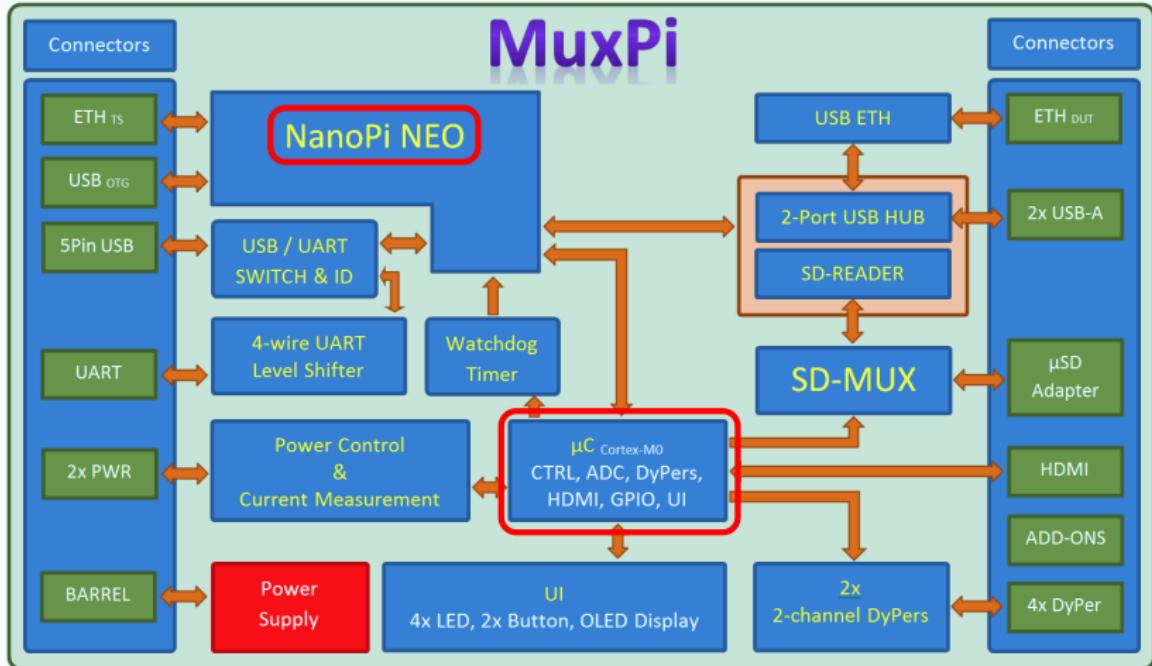
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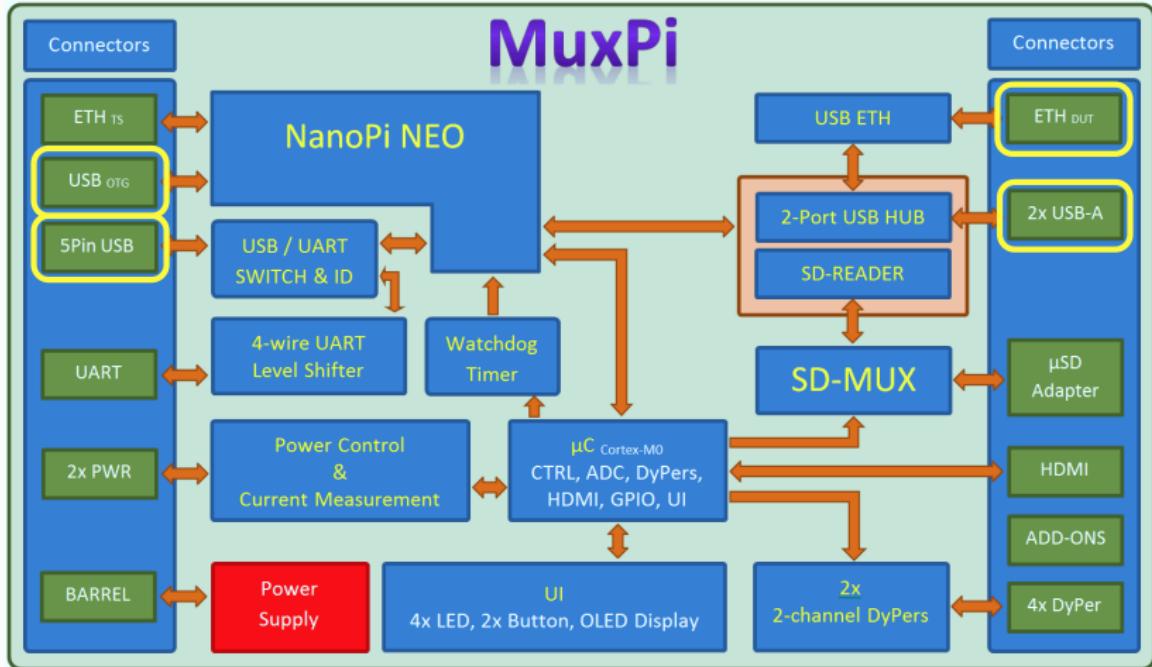
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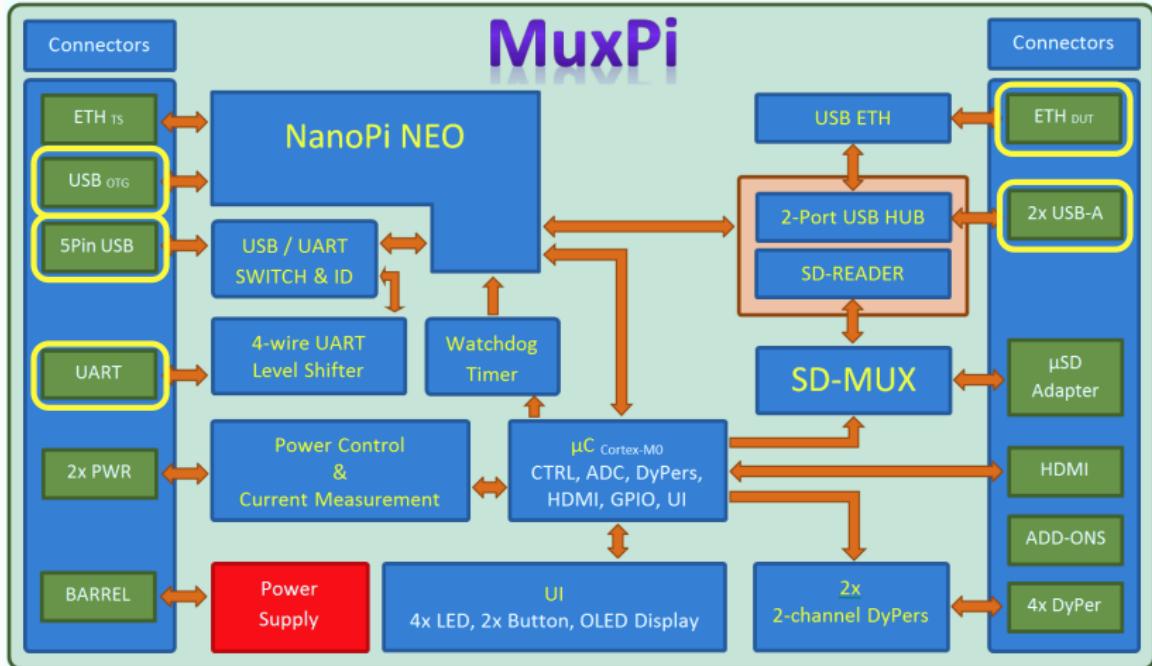
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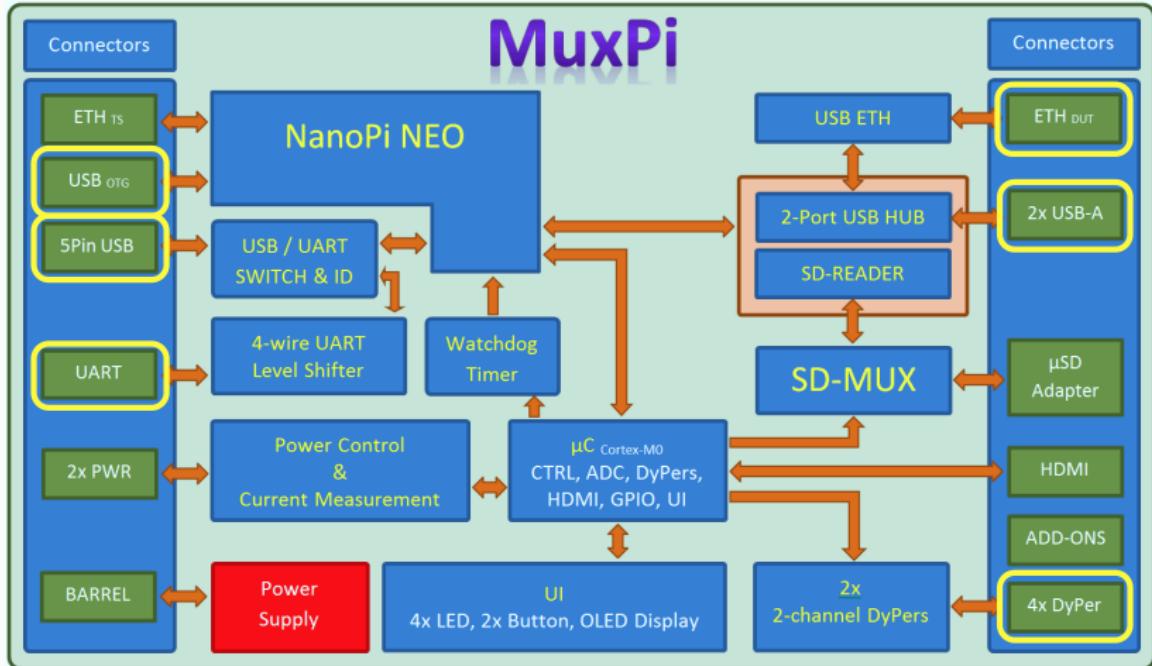
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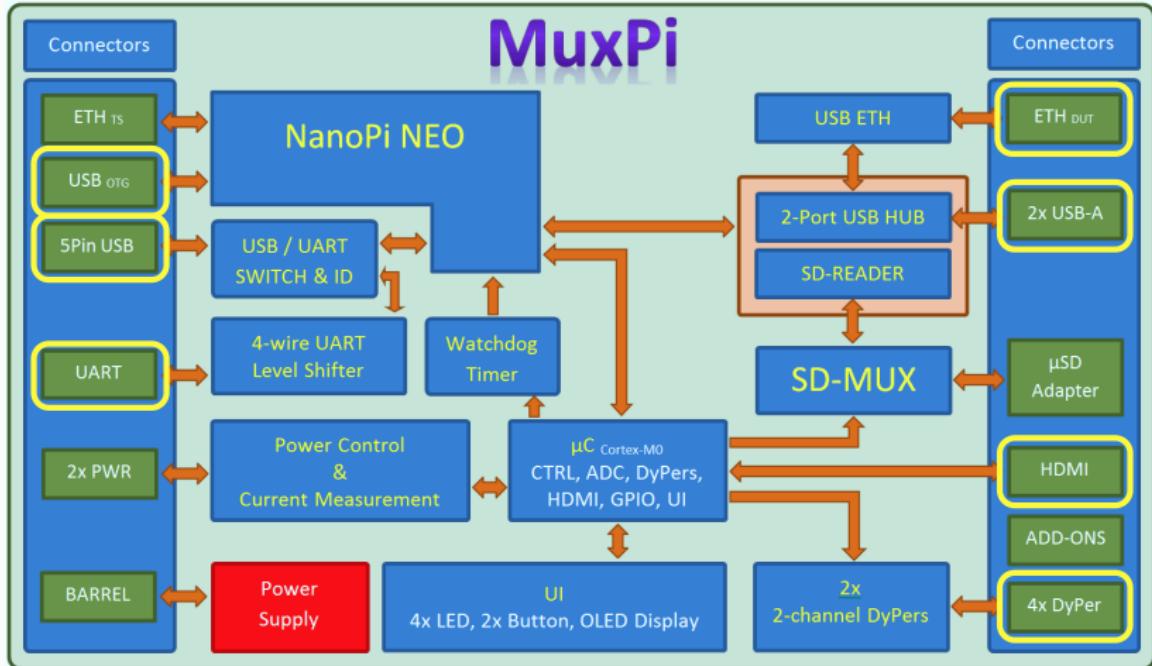
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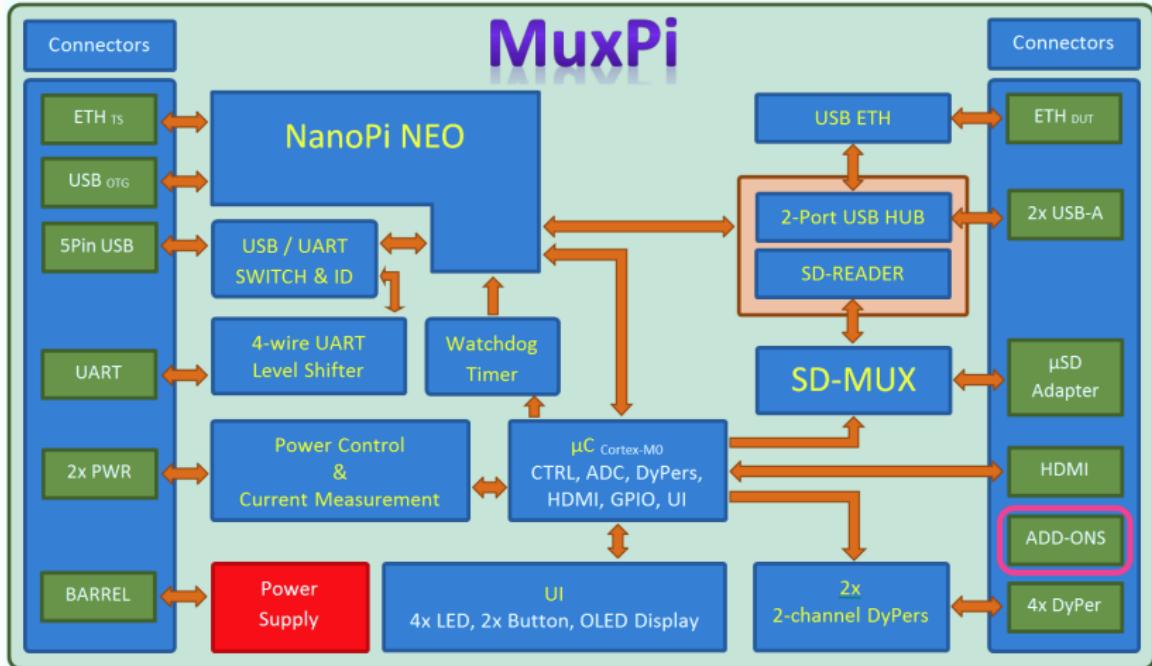
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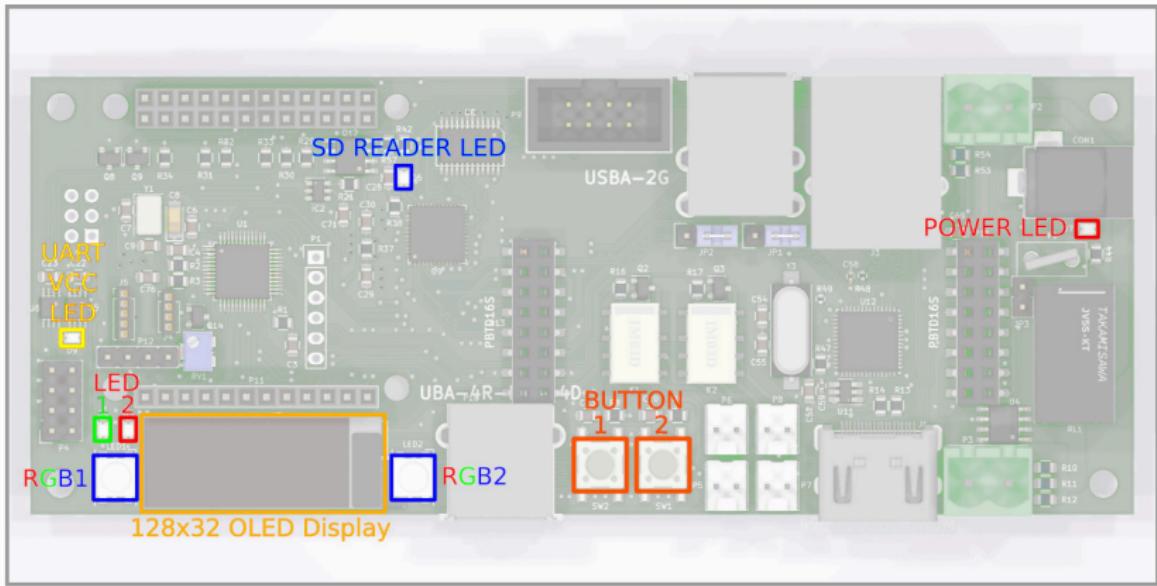
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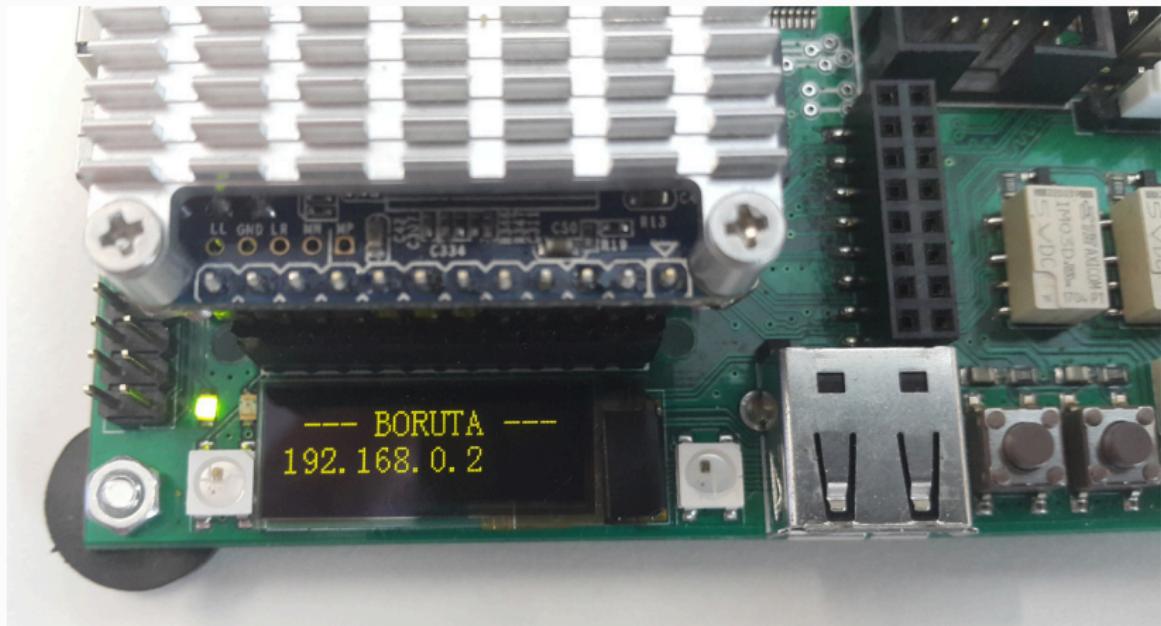
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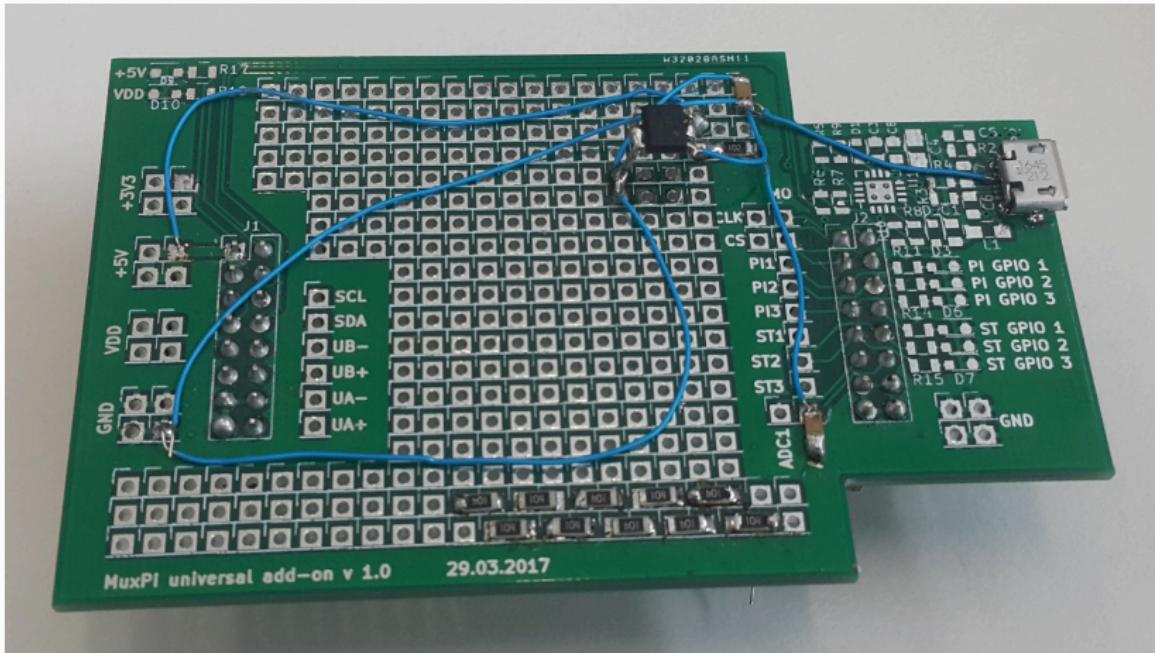
Indicators



Easy maintenance



Extensibility



Major improvements

- **Independent** (standalone)
- **Aware** of its state
- **Easy** to maintain
- **Extensible** from start



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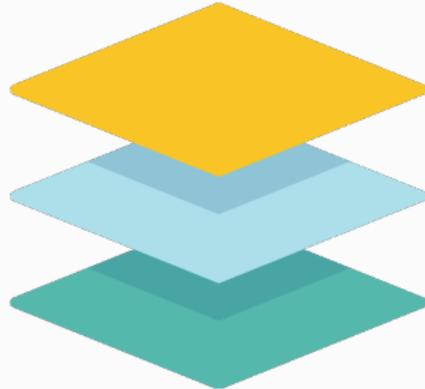
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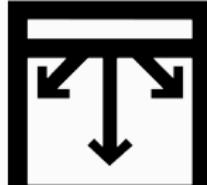
Software

Multitier architecture



- “Do One Thing and Do It Well”
- RESTful HTTP APIs
- Homogeneous solution stack

Responsibilities



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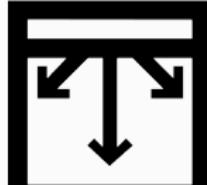


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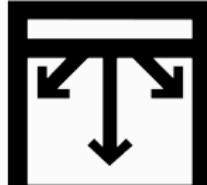


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MuxPi

MuxPi (farm)



- Manages single DUT
- Fully aware of its capabilities
- Requires **only two interfaces**
 - Power supply
 - Network connection (Ethernet)



- Dryad farm management system
- Schedules requests
 - Priority
 - Device groups
 - Delayed access
- Provides convenient access to selected Dryad

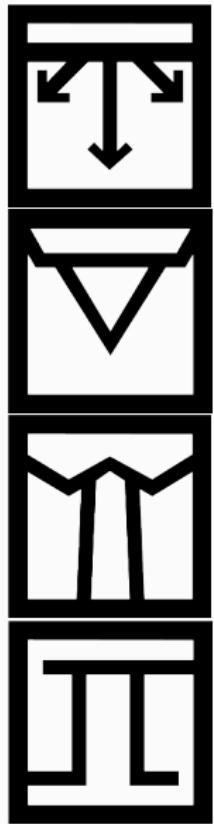


- Lightweight testing framework
- Provides LAVA-like interface
- YAML job definition ↪ actions executed on DUT
 - Deploy
 - Boot
 - Test
 - Collect



- OS images testing system
- Schedules verification
(per new set of OS images)
- Automates QA step of
Release Engineering Duty

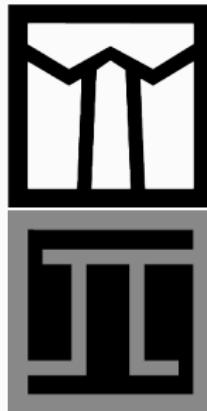
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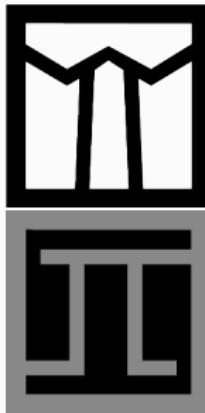
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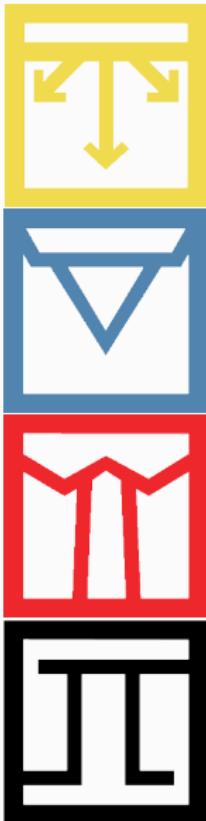
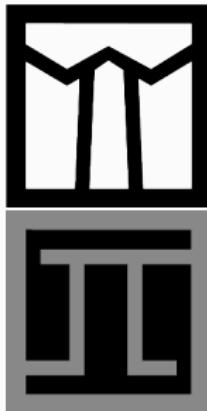
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Next steps

Hardware

- Audio I/O
- USB Type C investigation
- NanoPi serial console on USB

Software

- Web interfaces for current layers
- Service state management
- Release engineer's layer

Conclusion

Summary

- Quick setup
- Easy maintenance
- Responsibilities division
- Execution parallelization
- Environment unification



Questions?

- MuxPi
<https://wiki.tizen.org/MuxPi>
- SD MUX (deprecated – lesson learnt)
https://wiki.tizen.org/SD_MUX
- Mailing list
general@lists.tizen.org
- #tizen on Freenode
<https://webchat.freenode.net/?channels=tizen>

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