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# Debian on Civil Infrastructure Systems

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# What is CIP?



- One of the most conservative open source project in the Linux Foundation
- One of the most important project for our civilization

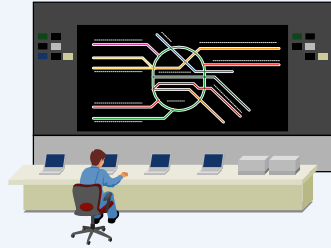
An aerial photograph of San Francisco, California, taken during the golden hour of sunset. The city's dense urban landscape is filled with skyscrapers and buildings, with the Golden Gate Bridge visible in the distance across the water. A semi-transparent blue rectangular box is overlaid on the top left portion of the image, containing the text "Our Civilization is run by Linux" in white. The overall scene is bathed in the warm, orange and yellow light of the setting sun.

# Our Civilization is run by Linux

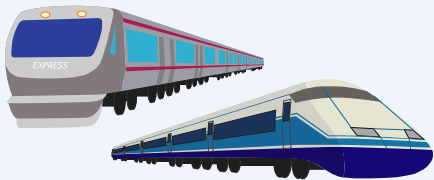
# Our Civilization is run by **Debian**



## Transport



**Rail automation**

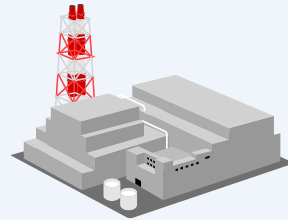


**Vehicle control**



**Automatic ticket gates**

## Energy

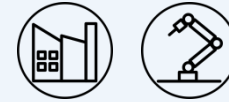


**Power Generation**



**Turbine Control**

## Industry



**Industry automation**



**CNC control**



**Industrial communication**

## Others



**Healthcare**



**Building automation**



**Broadcasting**

**CIP members are interested in Debian**

# Why Debian is one of the most important distribution?



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- CPU architecture support (x86, ARM, PPC64, ...)
- Popular in embedded (Raspbian, Armbian, ...)
- Long-term support (Debian-LTS)
- Scales up and down
- Successfully used in several of our products

An aerial, black and white photograph of San Francisco, California. The image shows a dense urban landscape with numerous skyscrapers and buildings. In the background, the city extends to the waterfront, where the Golden Gate Bridge is visible, spanning across the water. The sky is clear, and the overall scene is captured from a high-angle perspective. A semi-transparent blue rectangular box is overlaid on the upper left portion of the image, containing white text.

There are issues to be solved...



A photograph of a railway signaling cabinet, showing a complex arrangement of electronic modules and a dense network of multi-colored cables. The cabinet is light-colored and has a diagonal cutaway view, revealing the internal components. The text overlay is a dark blue rectangle with white text.

# A Railway System:

**25-50 years products life-cycle**

with very reluctant nature for product update and upgrade of hardware and base software platform

# Railway Example

**3 – 5 years development time**

**2 – 4 years customer specific extensions**

**1 year initial safety certifications / authorization**

**3 – 6 months safety certifications / authorization for follow-up releases  
(depending on amount of changes)**

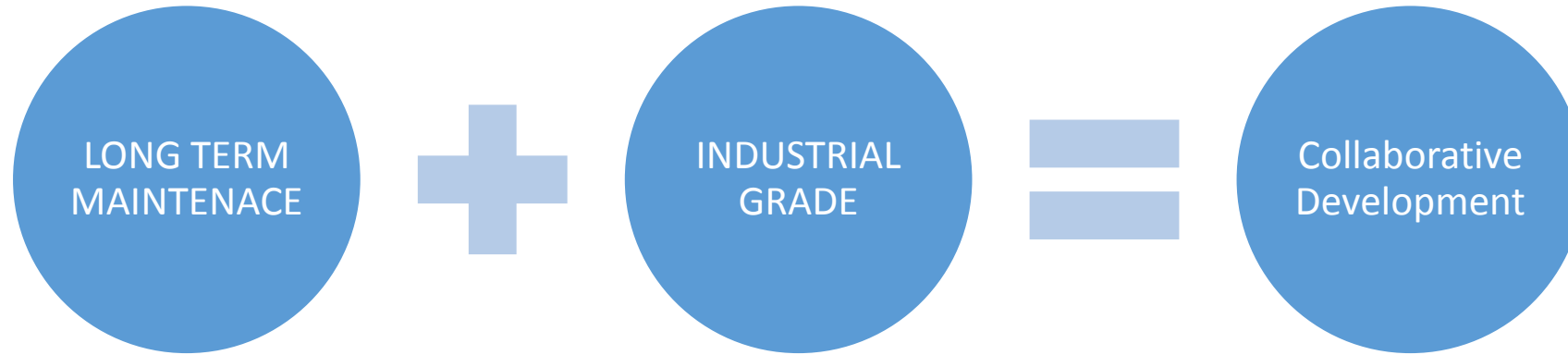
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# The Problems we face ...



- The systems that support our modern civilization need to **survive for a VERY LONG TIME**. Until now the corresponding industrial grade super long term maintenance has been **done individually by each company**.
- These systems not only have to survive for a long time, they must be **“INDUSTRIAL GRADE”** (robust, secure and reliable). And at the same time the industry will also need to **catch up with the latest technology trends**

# The Solutions we need ...



- **We need a Collaborative framework** to maintain the same open source based system for many, many, many years to keep it secure, robust and reliable.
- AND most importantly, we need to do this collaboratively in the **upstream communities**, not locally.

# CIP is our solution...

Establishing an Open Source Base Layer of industrial-grade software to enable the use and implementation of software building blocks for Civil Infrastructure Systems

<https://www.cip-project.org/>



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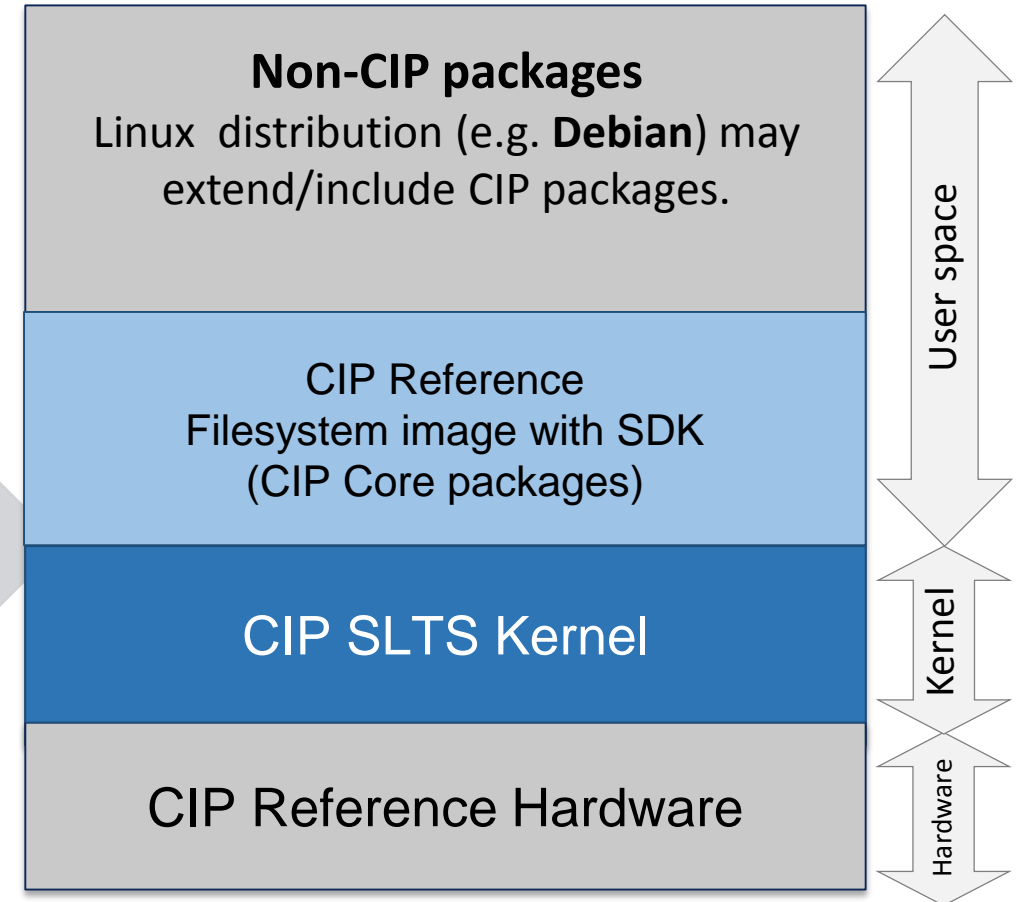
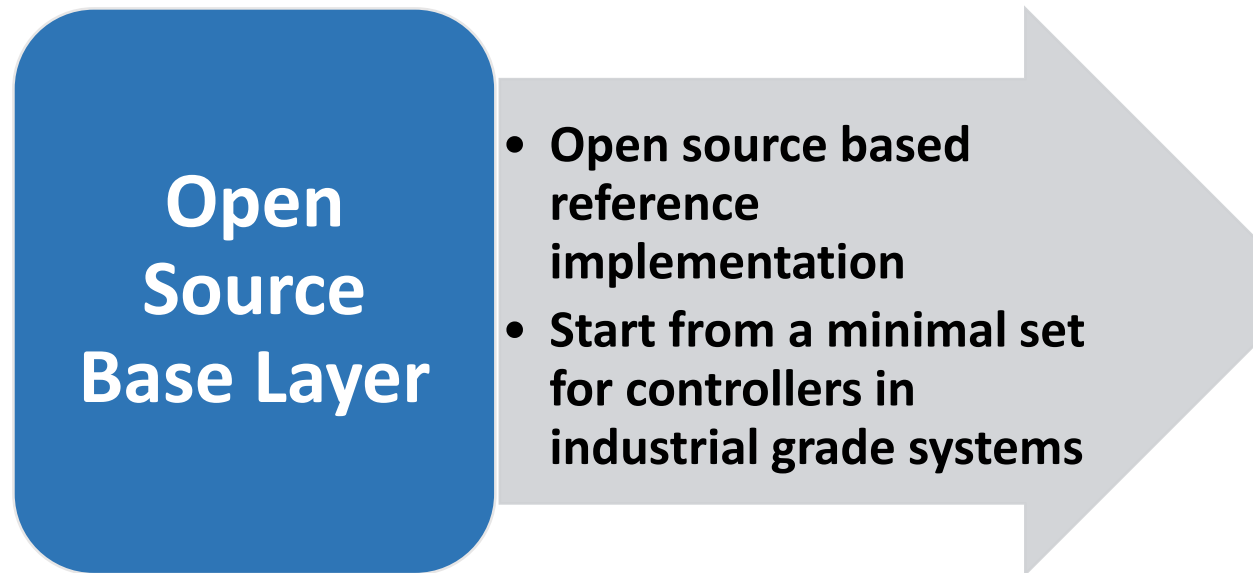
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- One of the most conservative open source project in the Linux Foundation
- CIP aims to
  - Provide an **open source base layer** for CIP related embedded systems
  - Work closely with the upstream community
- CIP **does not** aim to
  - Create a new Linux distribution

# What is “Open Source Base Layer (OSBL)”?

- OSBL is a set of industrial grade core open source software components, tools and methods



# An example of minimal package set for CIP base layer



CIP will start with a minimal set of packages. “CIP kernel” and “CIP core” packages run on hardware.

## Candidates for initial component set

CIP  
Kernel

- Kernel
  - Linux kernel + backported patches
  - PREEMPT\_RT patch
- Bootloader
  - U-boot
- Shells / Utilities
  - Busybox
- Base libraries
  - Glibc
- Tool Chain
  - Binutils
  - GCC
- Security
  - OpenSSL

CIP Core  
Packages

## Keep these packages for Reproducible build

Dev  
packages

• Flex	• Git	• pax-utils
• Bison	• Glib	• Pciutils
• autoconf	• Gmp	• Perl
• automake	• Gzip	• pkg-config
• bc	• gettext	• Popt
• bison	• Kbd	• Procps
• Bzip2	• Libibverbs	• Quilt
• Curl	• Libtool	• Readline
• Db	• Libxml2	• sysfsutils
• Dbus	• Mpclib	• Tar
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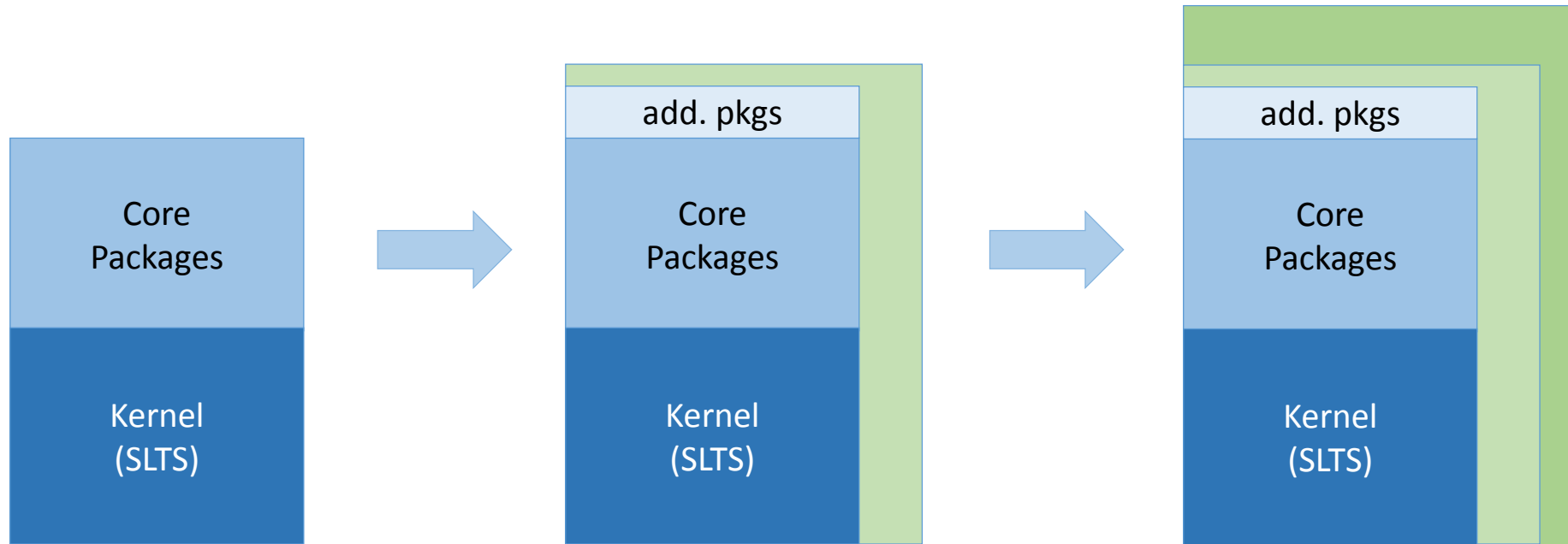
*NOTE: The maintenance effort varies considerably for different packages.*



# Development plan



CIP will increase the development effort to create a industrial grade common base-layer



## Phase 1:

- Define supported kernel subsystems, arch.
- Initial SLTS component selection
- Select SLTS versions
- Set-up maintenance infrastructure (build, test)

## Phase 2:

- Patch collection, stabilization, back port of patches for CIP kernel packages
- Support more subsystems
- Additional core packages

## Phase 3:

- Domain specific enhancements, e.g. communication protocols, industrial IoT middleware
- Optionally: more subsystems
- Optionally: more core packages

# Using Debian on Civil Infrastructure Systems

# How we use Debian for embedded systems



- Customization

- Kernel

- Change kernel options
    - Change Linux kernel version
    - Modify the kernel source code

- Packages

- Change compile option
    - Change package dependencies

- Tests

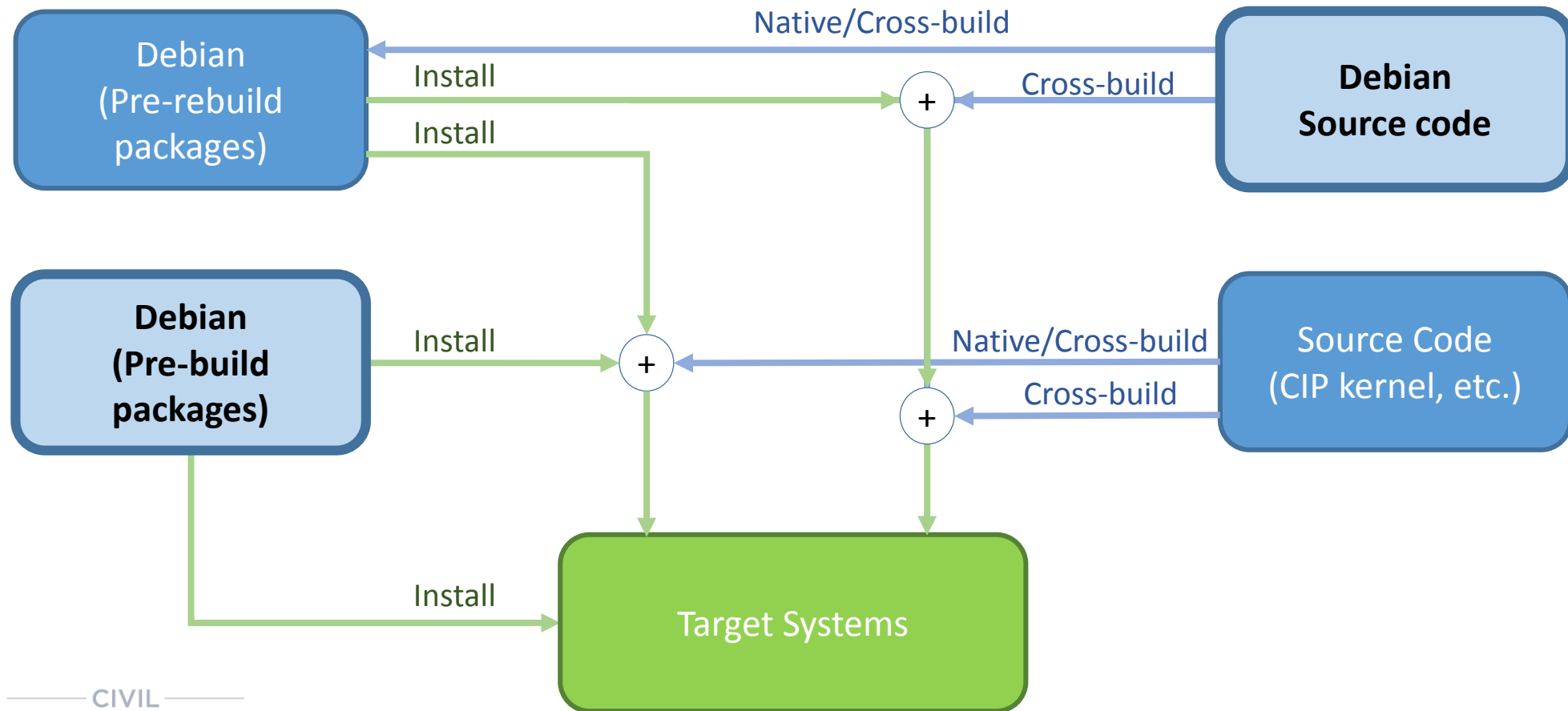
- Documentation

- Open source software licenses compliance
  - Export control classification

# Creating Debian-based images for embedded systems



- There are several way to create Debian-based images for embedded systems



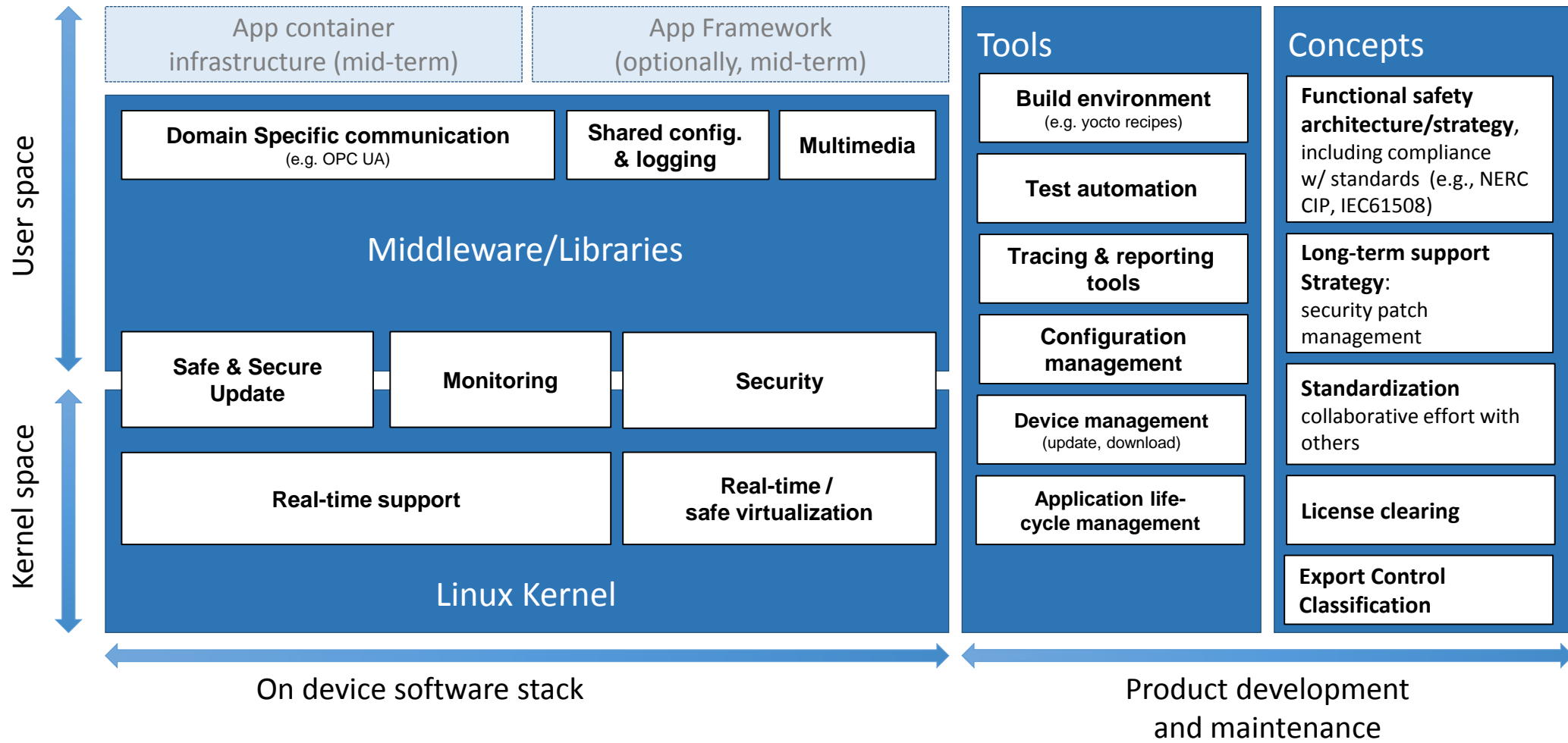
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- **CIP does not want to re-invent the wheel**

# CIP current scope and status

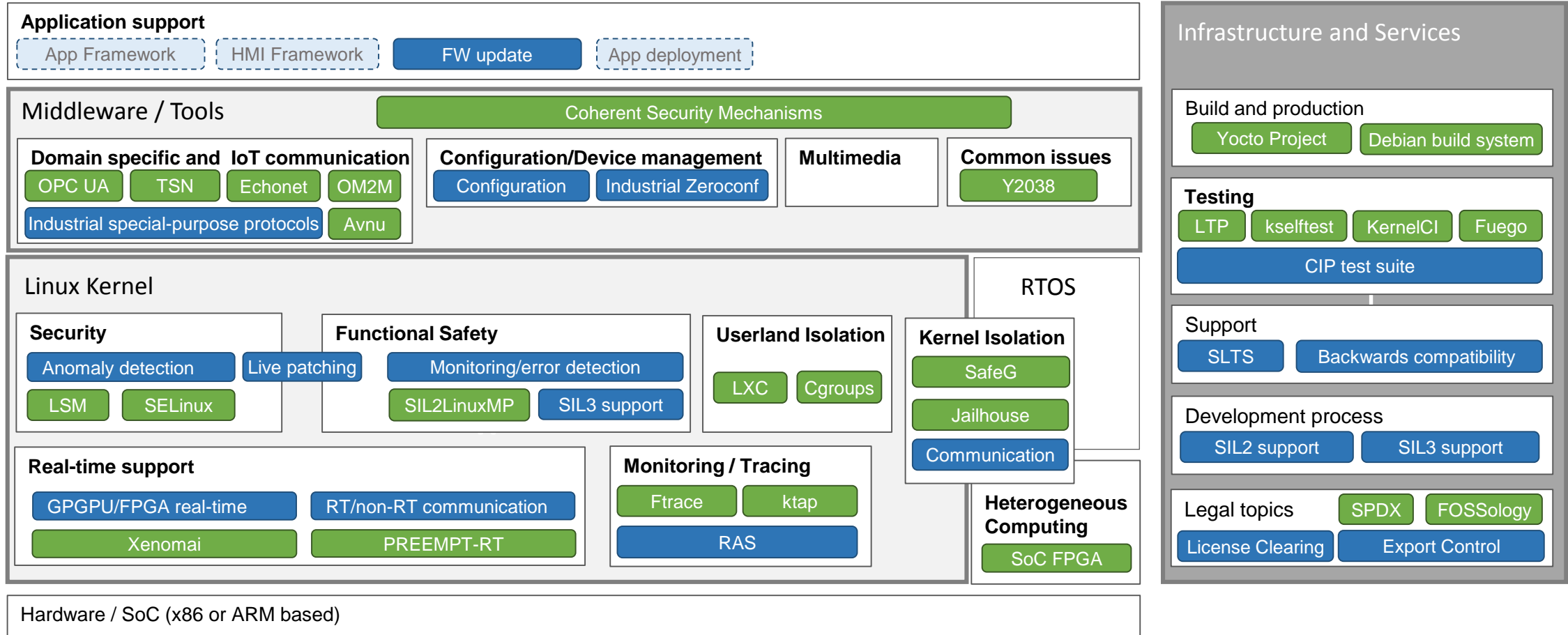
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# Technical topics and related projects (Feb. 2017 version)

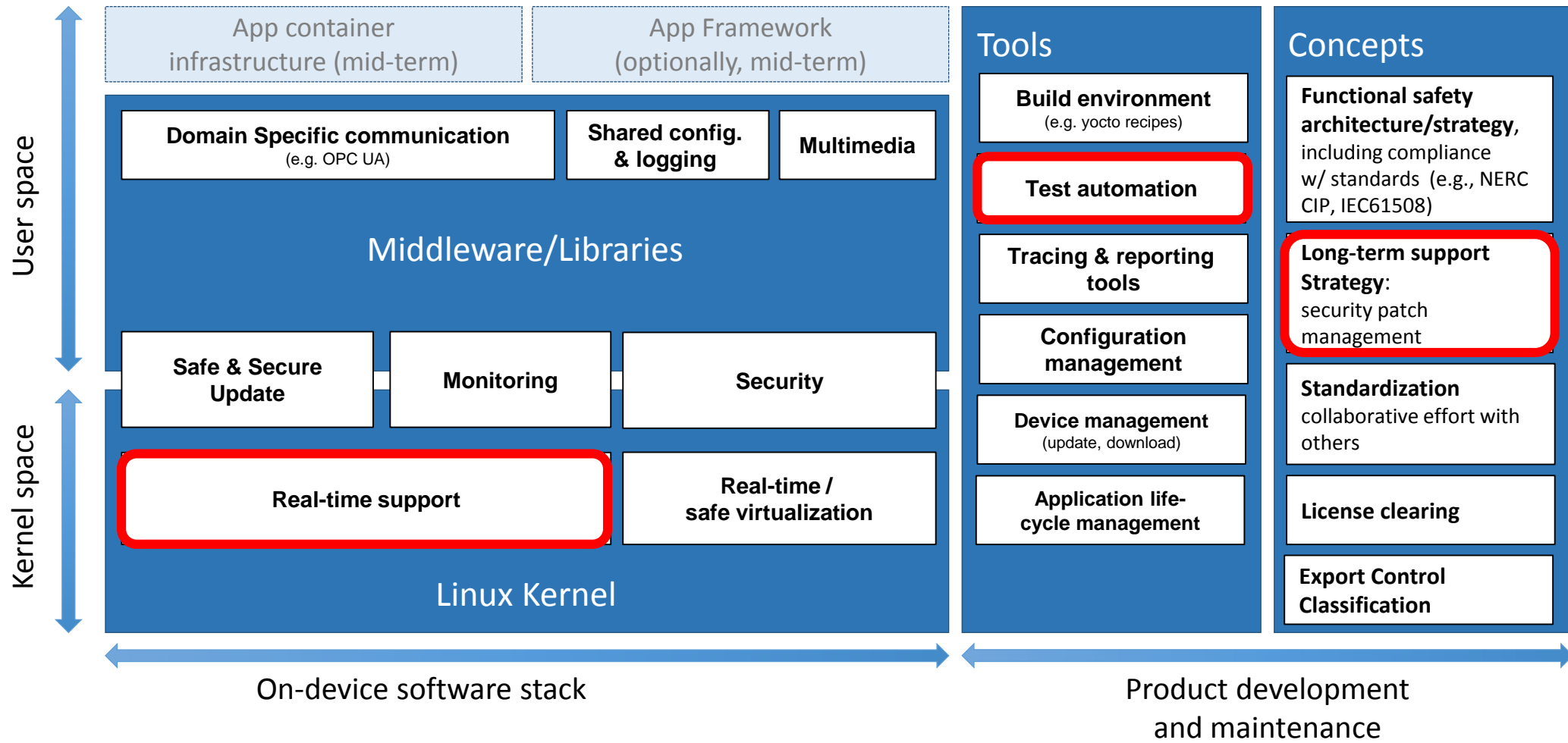


\* Topics will be added or removed to reflect CIP technical interests





# Scope of activities



# Current status of CIP base layer development



- CIP SLTS kernel development
  - Decide the CIP kernel version and maintainer
    - 4.4 is the first CIP kernel. maintainer
    - **Ben Hutchings is the initial CIP-kernel maintainer**
  - Define a kernel maintenance policies
    - <https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/civilinfrastructureplatform/cipkernelmaintenance>
- Start maintenance
  - Linux 4.4.75-cip6 released on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017
  - Created a CIP kernel test framework, **Board at Desk (B@D)**
- CIP core package development
  - Define an initial component set
  - Define component version
  - Contribute to upstream project
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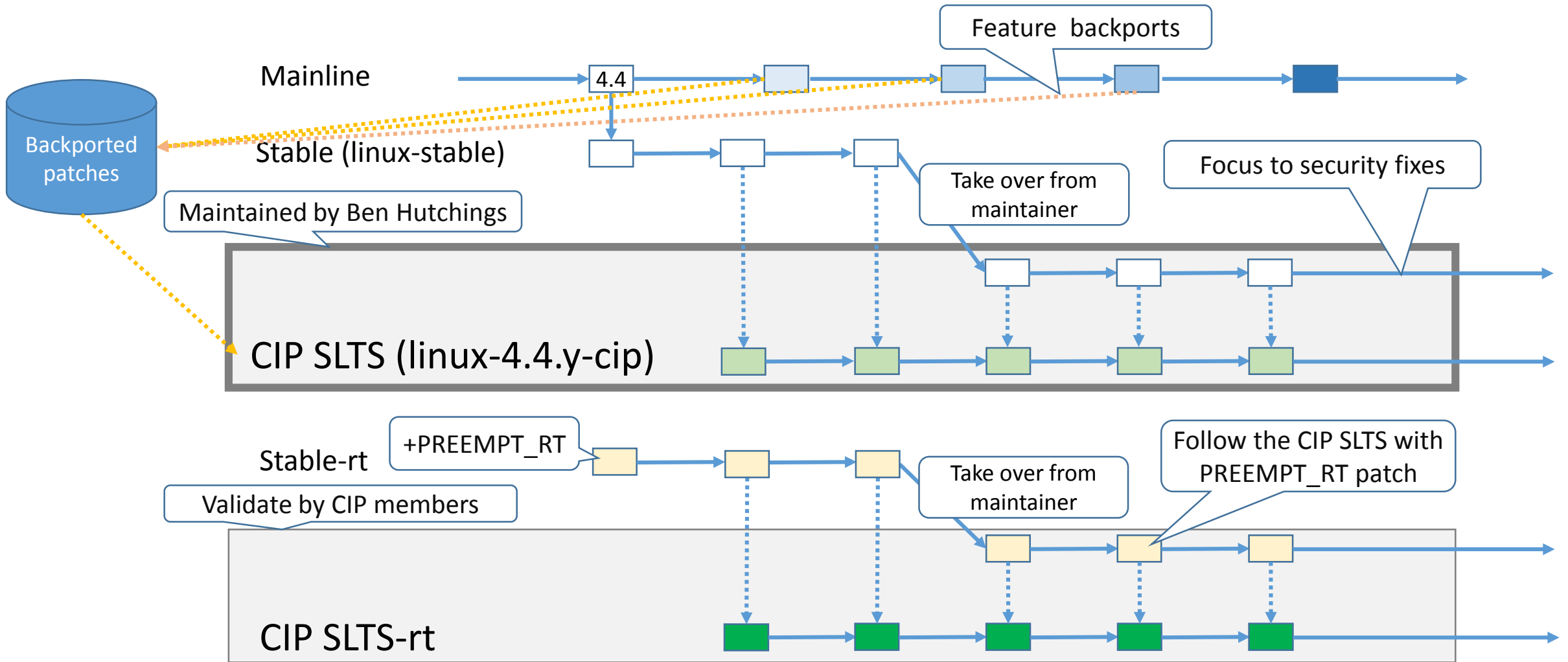
# CIP SLTS Kernel Development

# Overview of CIP SLTS kernel



- Kernel trees
  - CIP SLTS (linux-4.4.y-cip)
    - Official CIP SLTS kernel tree based on linux-stable.git
      - <https://git.kernel.org/cgit/linux/kernel/git/bwh/linux-cip.git/>
    - Maintainer: Ben Hutchings
    - Linux 4.4.75-cip6 released on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017
  - CIP SLTS+PREEMPT\_RT (will be separately maintained by CIP members)
    - CIP kernel tree based on linux-stable-rt and patches from CIP SLTS
    - Validation will be done by CIP
- Maintenance period
  - 10 years and more (10-20 years)

# CIP SLTS Kernel development trees (4.4.x)



# CIP's participation in the Real-time Linux Project



- CIP has become a Gold Member of the Real Time Linux Project
- What's next
  - Work together with the RTL Project
  - A CIP member is working to become the maintainer of 4.4.y-stable-rt, the base version of the CIP Kernel.
- More information
  - <https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/realtime/rtl/start>

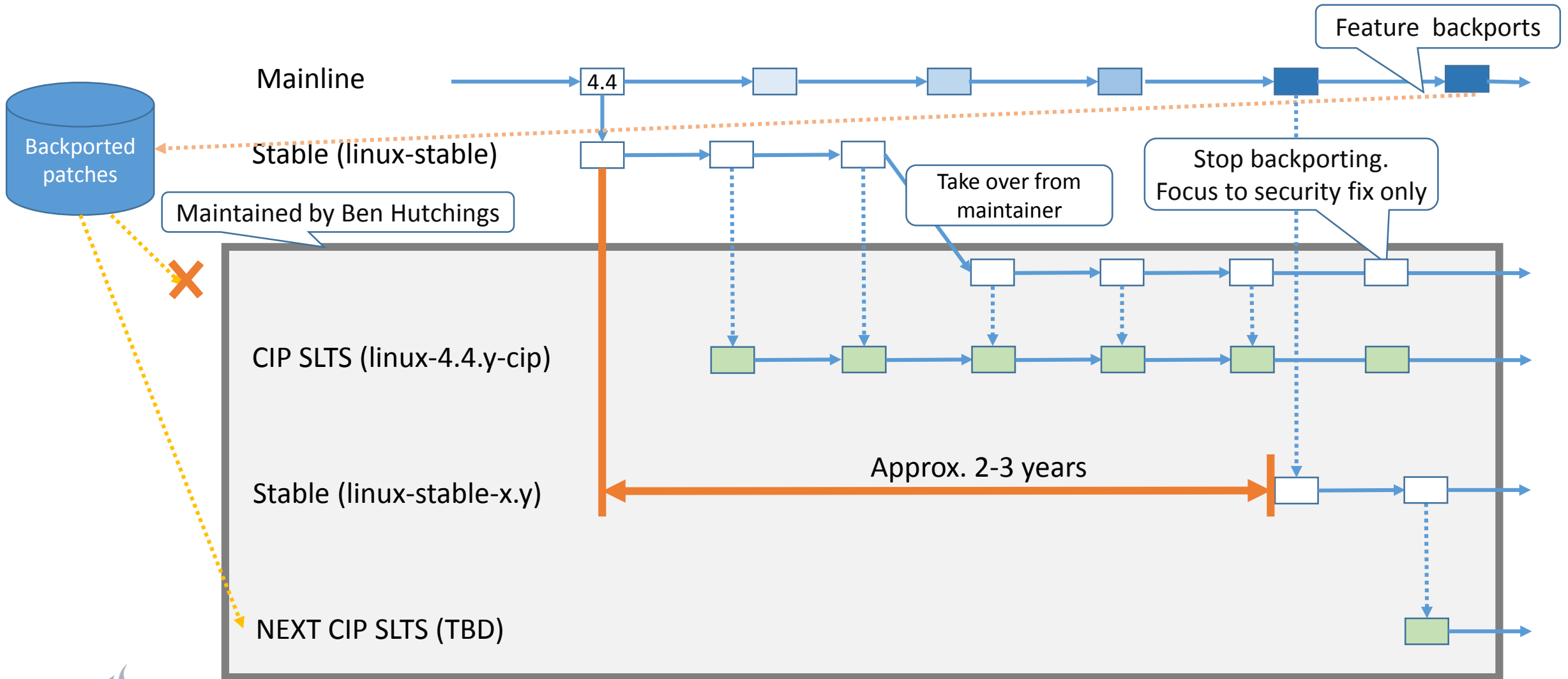


# CIP SLTS Kernel development



- Kernel maintenance policy
  - <https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/civilinfrastructureplatform/cipkernelmaintenance>
  - Follow the stable kernel development rule as the basis
  - Feature backports are acceptable
    - All features has to be in upstream kernel before backport to CIP kernel
    - **CIP has “Upstream first” policy**
  - Validation will be done by CIP test infrastructure and/or members
- Current backported features on 4.4.y-CIP
  - Kernel Self Protection Project related features
    - Address Space Layout Randomization for user space process (ASLR)
    - GCC’s undefined behaviour Sanitizer (UBSAN)
    - Faster page poisoning
  - Board support patches for Renesas RZ/G

# NEXT CIP SLTS Kernel (TBD)





# Out-of-tree drivers



- In general, all out-of-tree drivers are unsupported by CIP
- Users can use CIP kernel with out-of-tree drivers
  - If a bug is found in such a modified kernel, users will first demonstrate that it exists in the CIP kernel source release in order for the CIP maintainers to act on it.

# CIP Kernel testing

# Milestones of CIP testing and current status



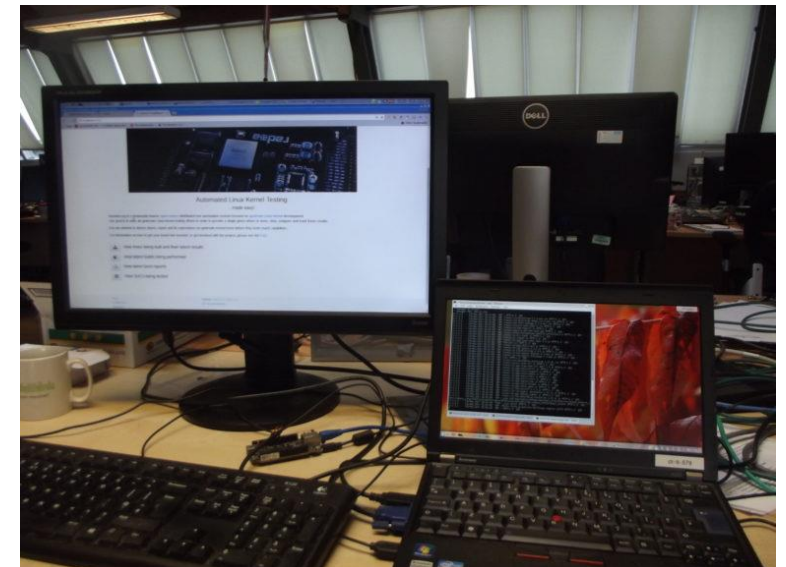
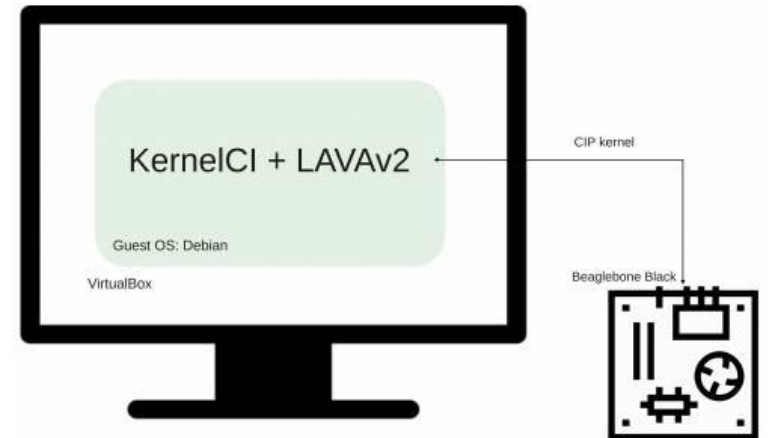
1. Board at desk - single dev
  - A setup that allows a developer to test the CIP kernel on the CIP selected hardware platform connected locally to her development machine using kernelCI tools.
2. CIP kernel testing
  - Test the CIP kernel on a regular basis and share the results with other CIP community members.
3. Define kernel testing as a service within CIP
  - Define the testing environment within CIP assuming that, in some cases, some members may share the tests, test results or laboratories while others may not.
4. From kernel testing to system testing
  - Once the testing environment has been ready and works for the kernel, explore how to extend it to the entire CIP platform.

<https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/civilinfrastructureplatform/ciptesting>

# CIP testing

- Goal
  - Create and publish a VM image that contains KernelCI & LAVA
  - Single developer can test the CIP kernel (or any other kernels)
- News
  - **B@D v0.9.1 has been released on 30<sup>th</sup> May at OSSJ 2017**
    - <https://www.cip-project.org/news/2017/05/30/bd-v0-9-1>
  - Download the VM or deploy the environment through Vagrant
    - <https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/civilinfrastructureplatform/cipdownload>
  - Check the tools and software packages included in this release.
    - <https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/civilinfrastructureplatform/ciptestingboardatdesksingledevfeaturepage>
    - The CIP testing team has invested a significant effort in writing step by step instructions to deploy, configure and run tests.
- Check the source code involved
  - <https://gitlab.com/cip-project/cip-testing/board-at-desk-single-dev/tree/master>

## Board At Desk - Single Dev.



# CIP testing: next steps



- During the coming months the team will focus on:
  - Defining how tests should look like.
  - Defining how results should be shared.
  - Increasing the test coverage of the CIP Kernel
- More updates at Embedded Linux Conference Europe 2017 this October

# CIP Core Package Development

# Current status of the Base layer development



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1.5 Talk to open source communities

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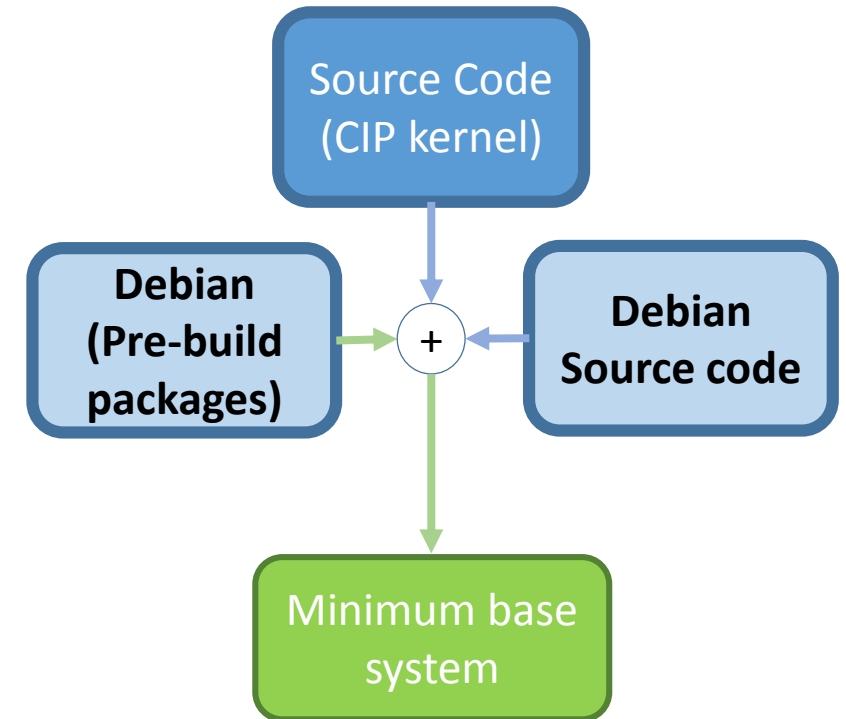
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# CIP Project X

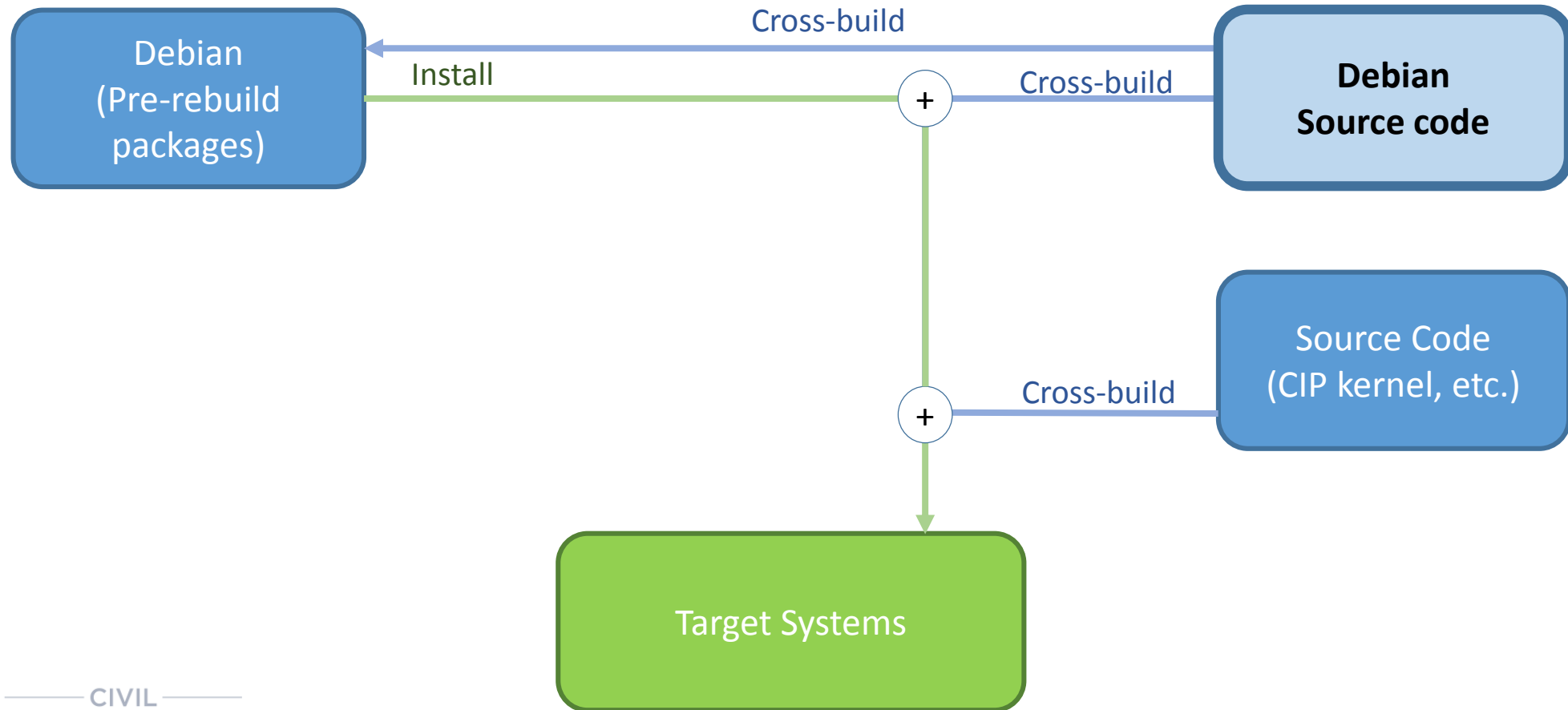
- **Started an incubation project for the minimum base system**
  - This project will provide a way to test the installable image
- **Goal**
  - **Input:** Debian sources/binaries and cip kernel
  - **Build mechanism:** bitbake and/or Debian build system
  - **Output:** Minimum deployable base system image for testing
- **Current status**
  - Minimal rootfs can be build for the following hardware
    - Renesas RZ/G1M (iwg20m)
    - BeagleBone Black
    - Cyclone-V
    - QEMUx86
- **Source code**
  - <https://gitlab.com/cip-playground/project-x>



# Creating Debian-based image by Project X (Current status)



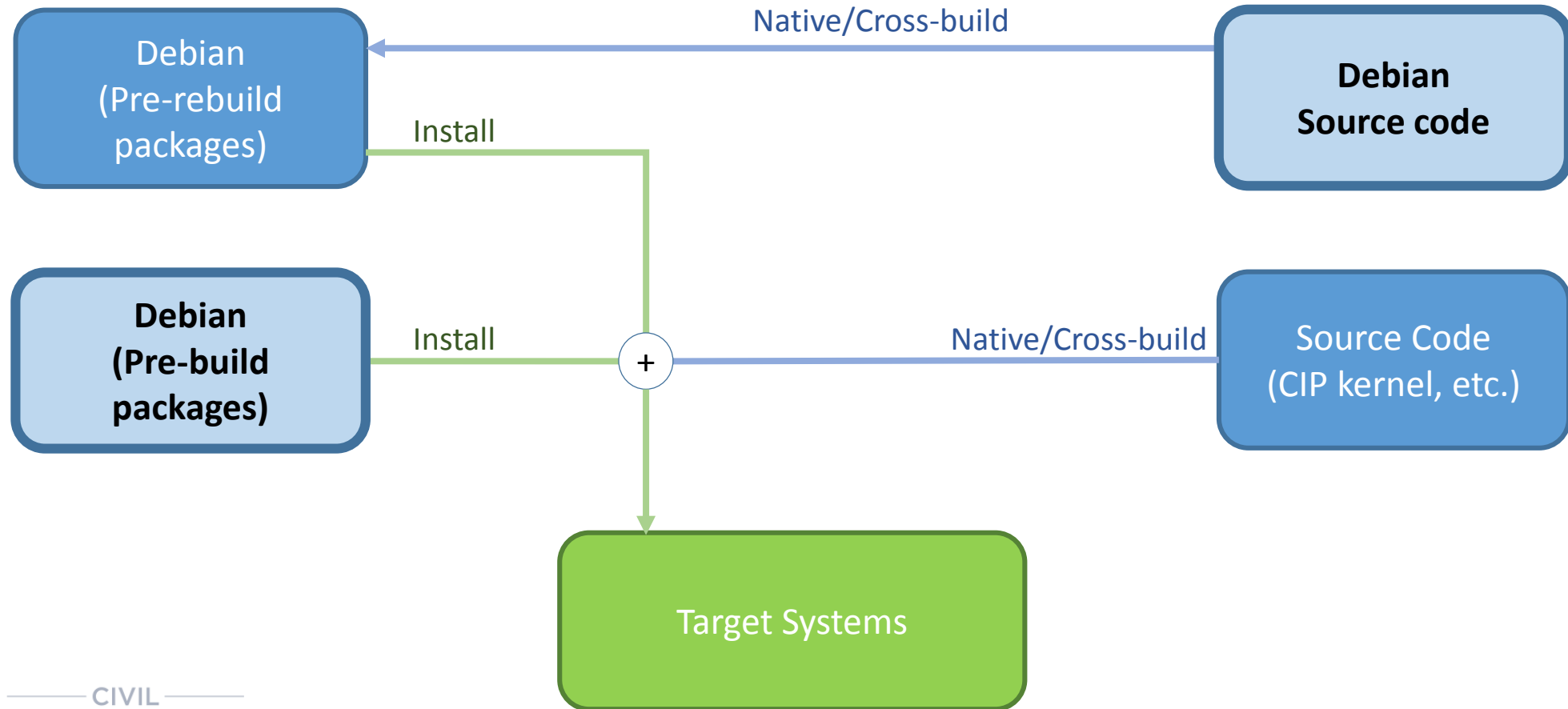
- Deby <https://github.com/meta-debian/meta-debian>



# Creating Debian-based image by Project X (Other options)



- ISAR <https://github.com/ilbers/isar>
- ELBE <https://elbe-rfs.org/>



# What's next with Debian?

# Gaps and Common Goals = Chance to work together



Debian	CIP requires	Chance to collaborate with Debian
<p><b>Support</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Term: 3+2 years by Debian-LTS</li><li>▪ Num of pkgs: 67776</li></ul> <p><b>Build</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Should support native build</li><li>▪ Working on cross build packaging (Debian-cross)</li><li>▪ Reproducible build</li></ul> <p><b>OSS license compliance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ DEP-5 adoption is ongoing</li></ul> <p><b>Testing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Packages has to be tested</li><li>▪ autopkgtest</li></ul>	<p><b>Support</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Term: 10+ years</li><li>▪ Num of pkgs: 10+ (minimum)</li></ul> <p><b>Build</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Need to have both native and cross build</li><li>▪ Binary / Source code should be managed and reproducible</li></ul> <p><b>OSS license compliance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Generate reports automatically</li><li>▪ Easy to redistribute</li></ul> <p><b>Testing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ All packages should be tested in timely manner</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Longer</b> term maintenance for limited number of packages</li><li>▪ Contributing to <b>Debian-cross</b></li><li>▪ Exchange and share the <b>license review results</b></li><li>▪ Contributing <b>test cases</b> to upstream</li></ul>

# Summary



- **Our Civilization is run by Debian**
- CIP members are interested in Debian
  - Goal of Debian is shipped free software
  - Package license policy of Debian is valuable
    - This information is valuable for us
  - Successfully used in several of our products
- CIP has started an incubation project 'Project X' based on Debian
- Gaps and Common Goals become a good chance for collaboration

# Contact Information and Resources



To get the latest information, please contact:

- CIP Mailing list: [cip-dev@lists.cip-project.org](mailto:cip-dev@lists.cip-project.org)

## Other resources

- CIP Web site: <https://www.cip-project.org>
- CIP Wiki: <https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/civilinfrastructureplatform/>
- CIP Source codes
  - CIP GitLab: <http://www.gitlab.com/cip-project>
  - CIP kernel: <git://git.kernel.org/pub/scm/linux/kernel/git/bwh/linux-cip.git>

# CIP whitepaper

- Year One Update + Whitepaper Release
  - <https://www.cip-project.org/blog/2017/05/31/cip-year-one-update-whitepaper-release>
- Everyone can download the whitepaper
  - [https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/\\_media/civilinfrastructureplatform/whitepaper\\_short.pdf](https://wiki.linuxfoundation.org/_media/civilinfrastructureplatform/whitepaper_short.pdf)







# Thank you!



# Questions?