

Trustworthy 2020 Platforms

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- coreboot licensed service providers since 2016
- coreboot project leadership participants
- UEFI Adopters since 2018
- Official consultants for Linux Foundation fwupd/LVFS project
- Yocto Participants and Embedded Linux experts
- Open Source Firmware enthusiasts and evangelists

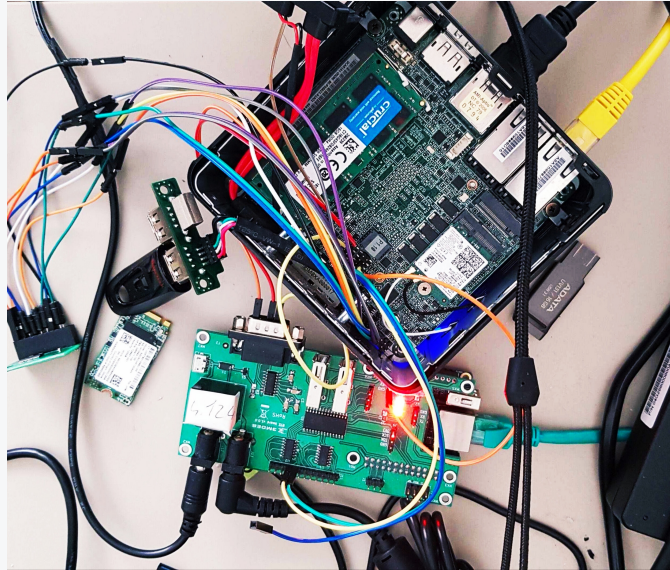
There is no reference platform, which seamlessly leverage OSS stack, that can be used for building secure and trusted environment on low-SWaP devices

- **Who should care?**
 - remote and home office builders
 - homelabbers (r/HomeLab)
 - IoT makers
 - FinTech
 - DevOps building CI/CD labs
- **What are the goals?**
 - Setup modern AMD hardware with TPM 2.0
 - Setup and provision: safeboot, TrenchBoot and Yocto/OE with Xen and sample VM
 - Discuss OEM challenges

low-SWaP - low Size, Weight and Power, military term and one of the goals of tactical computing



- **ASRock 4x4 BOX-R1000V (AMD Ryzen R1505G, 16GB DDR4) - 279.99USD**
- AMD Radeon Vega 3 Graphics
- Extensible: M.2 Key-E and Key M slots, SATA connectors
- DRAM: Max. 32GB, ECC support
- TPM over LPC



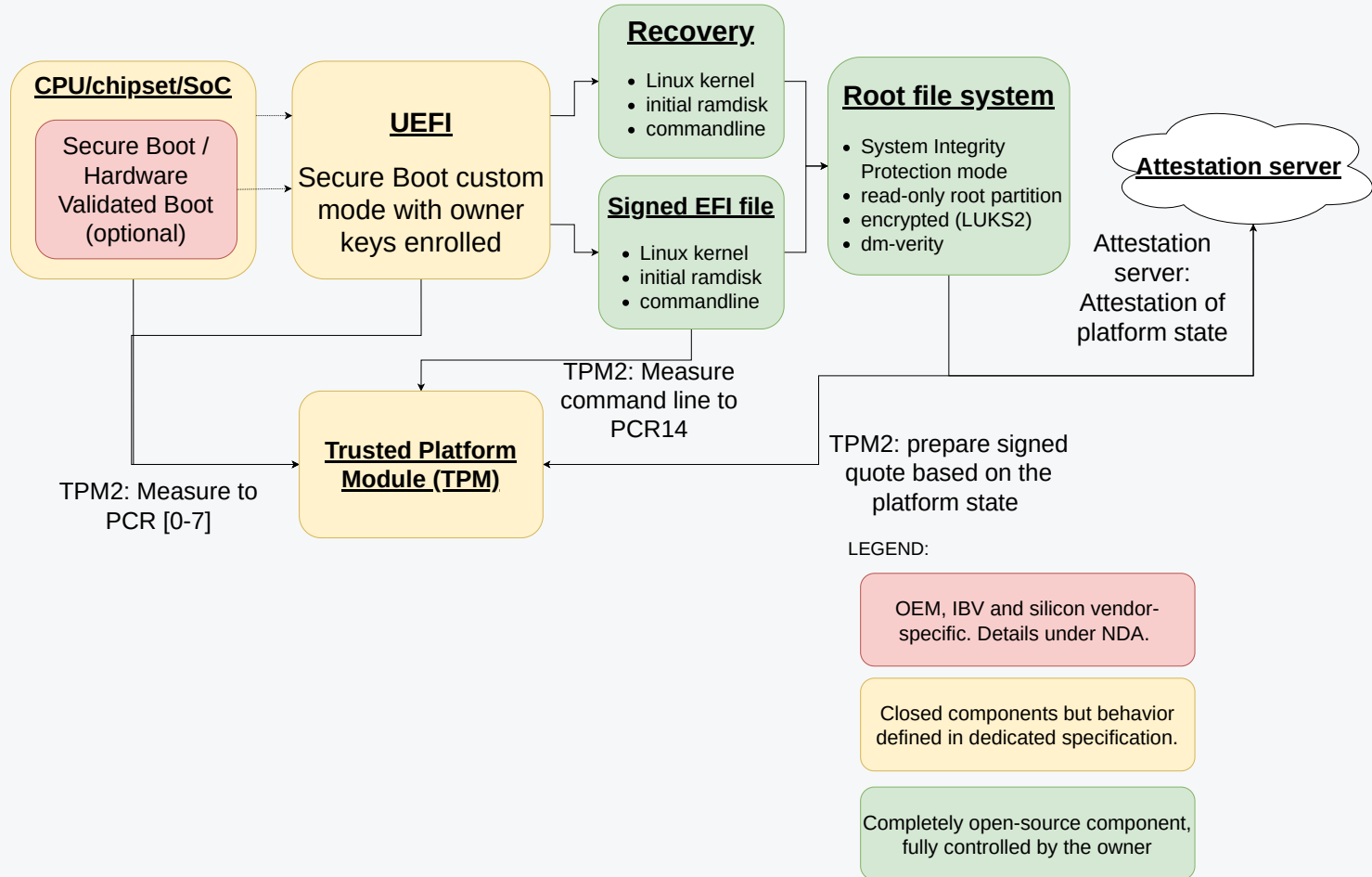
- ASRock 4x4 BOX-R1000V setup for remote development
- **TPM: PC Engines TPM2 module Infineon SLB9665**
- 3mdeb Remote Testing Environment - OSHW certified remote access and test automation tool

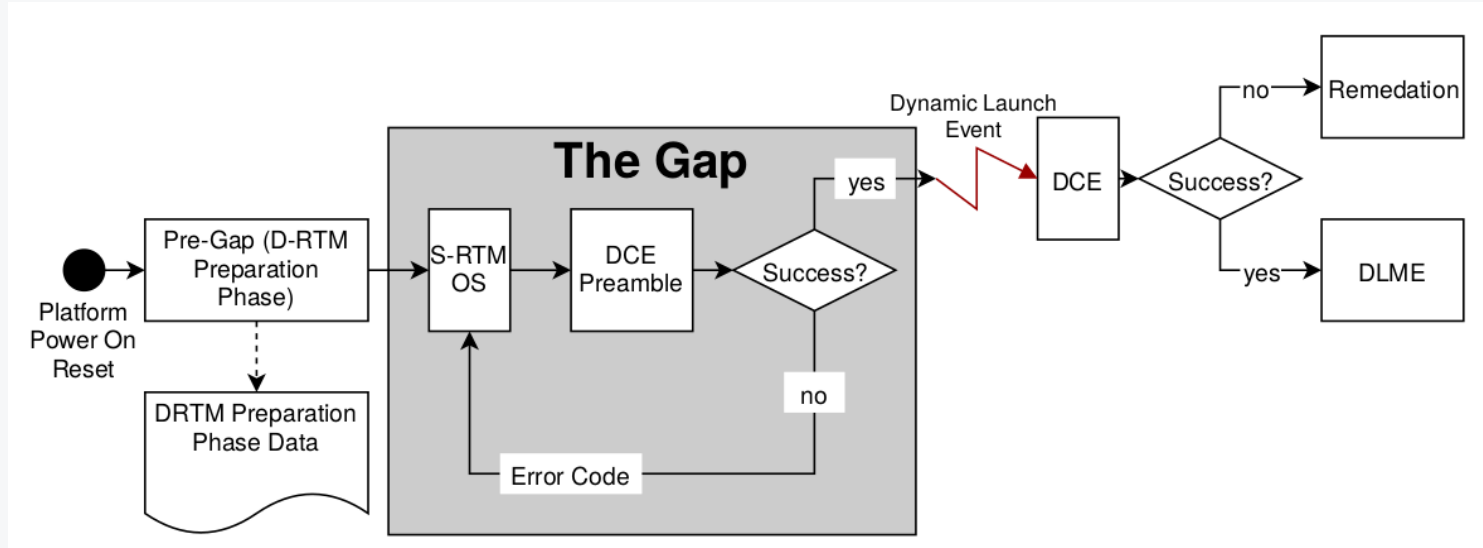


- Wide range of low-SWaP devices
- Cost efficiency
- Support for SKINIT DRTM instruction in both Ryzen and Epyc
 - Intel provide TXT only in higher-end SKUs (workstations, servers) not suitable for low-SWaP
 - There are no plans for TXT support in low-end SKUs
- Fully open-source DRTM implementation through TrenchBoot project
 - No ACM BIOS and ACM SINIT like in Intel - closed source components with questionable distribution model
- Hardware Validated Boot - AMD version of Boot Guard
- New attractive models coming like ASRock 4X4 BOX-4300U with Ryzen 4000U-Series

- Project initiated by Trammel Hudson in 2020
- GPLv2-licensed set of scripts to improve security of Linux boot process with UEFI Secure Boot and TPM support
- Why? Because process of leveraging standard platform security features is too complex for users and administrators.
- Goals
 - Booting only code that is authorized by the system owner
 - Streamlining the encrypted disk boot process
 - Reducing the attack surface
 - Protecting the runtime system integrity
 - Proving to remote systems that the local machine is safe

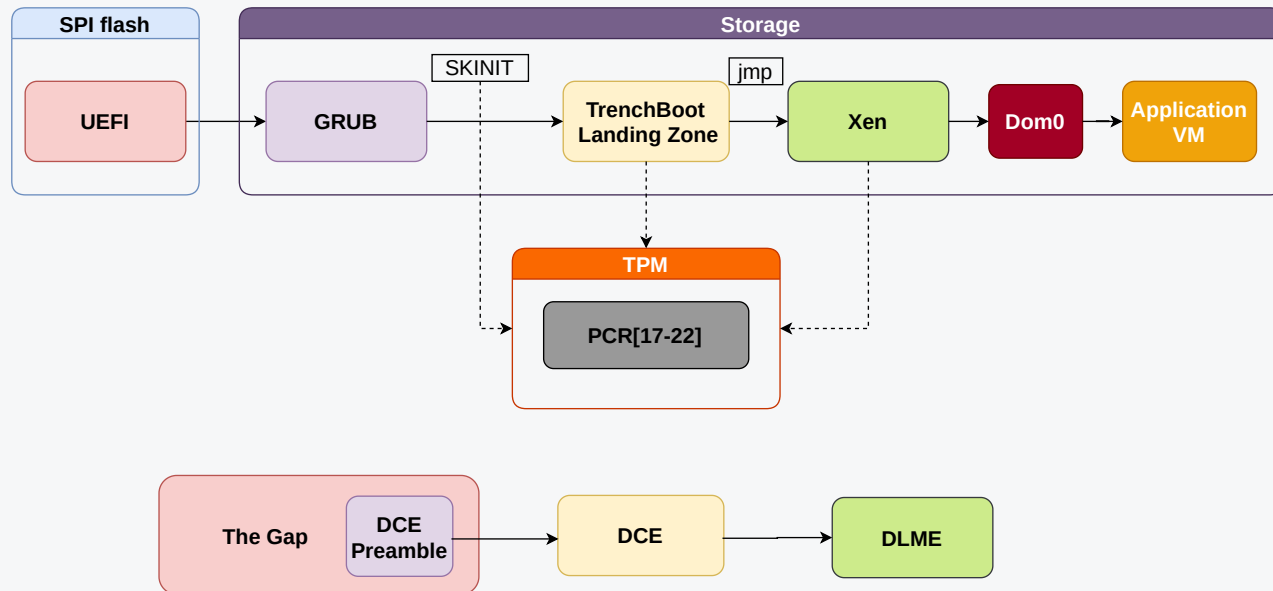
safeboot website: <https://safeboot.dev/>





- DRTM start when Dynamic Launch event call executes
- DL Event controls PCRs 17-22, those are initialized with value -1
- DL Event change PCRs value to 0 and immediately extends with DCE hash
- Any attempt to reset TPM will set PCR[17] to -1 (TPM reset attack immunity)

- TrenchBoot is a framework that allows individuals and projects to build security engines to perform launch integrity actions for their systems.
- TrenchBoot Landing Zone is GPLv2-licensed implementation of AMD-V Secure Loader

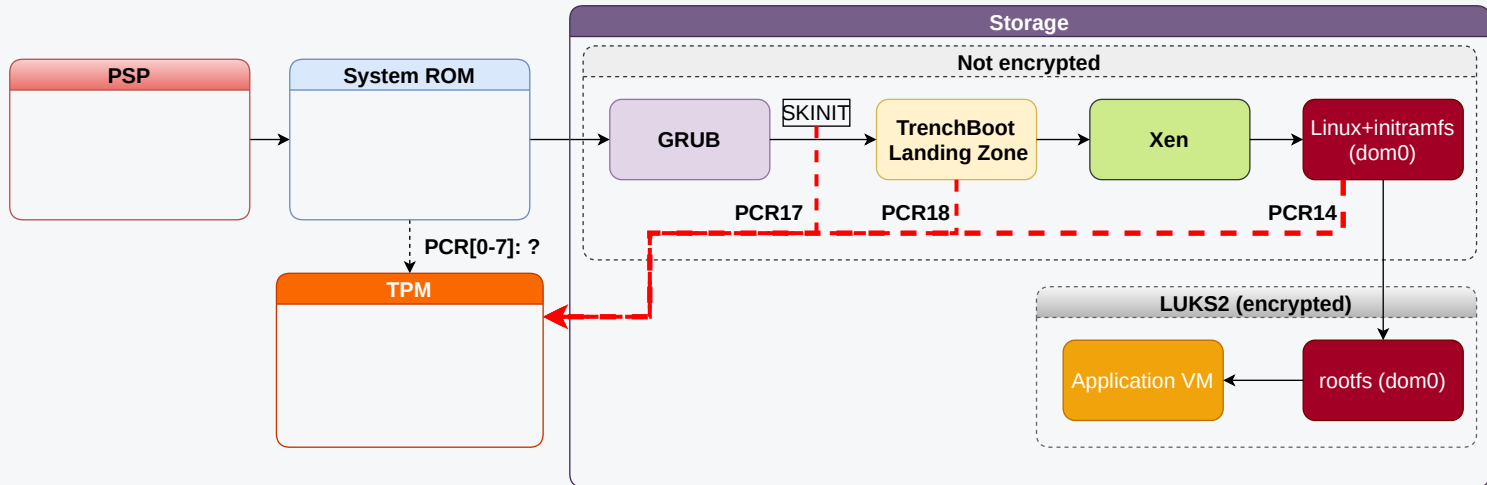


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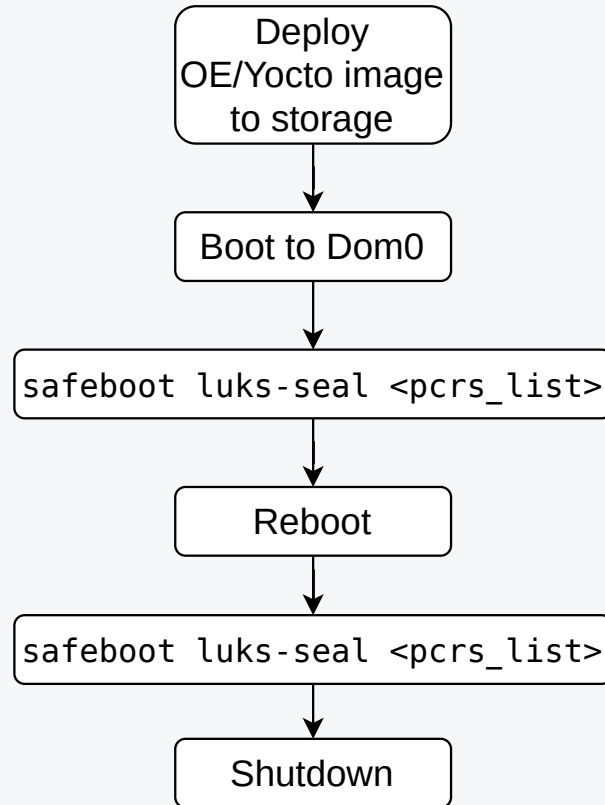
- Produce ready to use, minimal system image with tools to provision security features
 - safeboot deployment simplification in embedded environment
 - TrenchBoot integration through meta-trenchboot
- tpm2-tools integration
 - meta-measured delivers most recent version of TPM tools
- Xen
 - supported through meta-virtualization
- Reliable update mechanism with flexible policies through swupdate
- Following demo was built fully with OE/Yocto

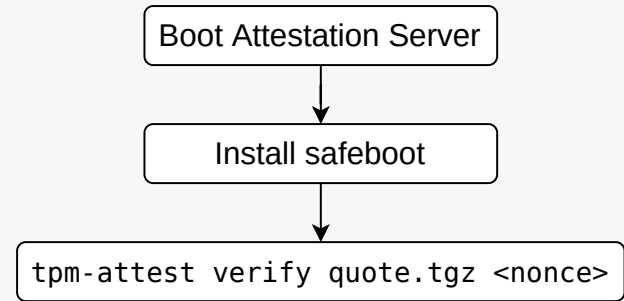
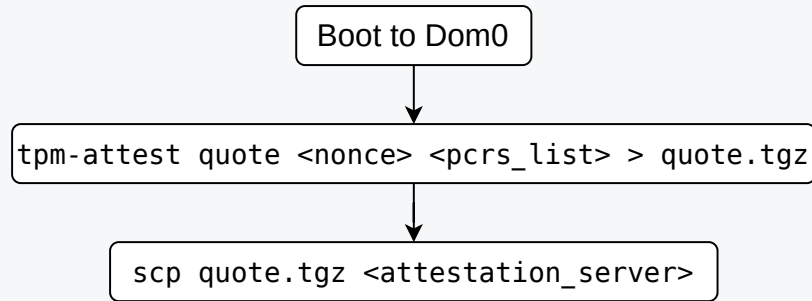
Yocto: <https://www.yoctoproject.org>

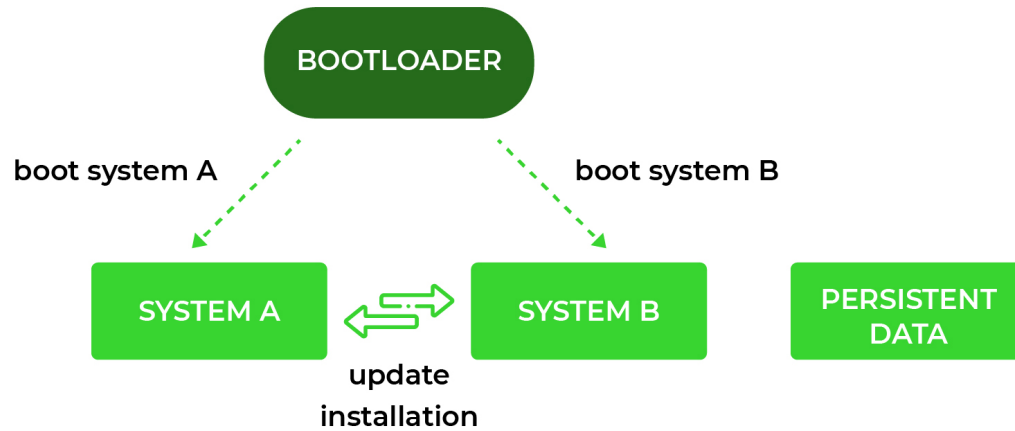


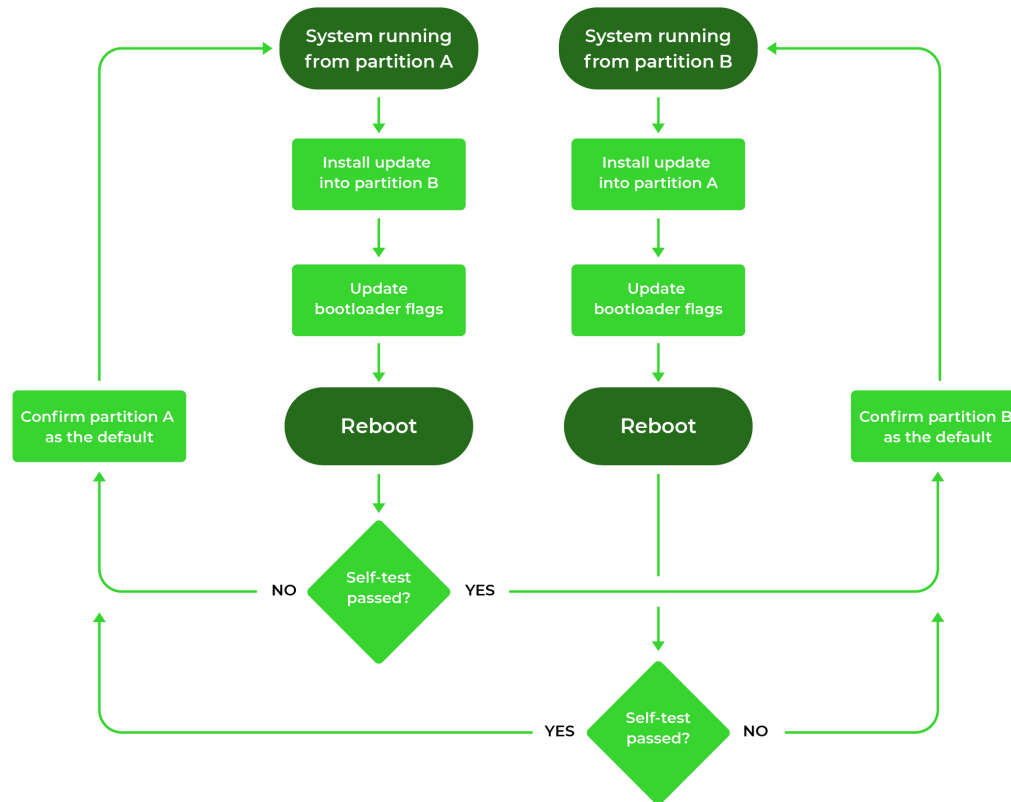
- **PCR[0-7]** - we have no knowledge what is exactly measured, event log readability would be discussed later
- **PCR14** - safeboot boot mode to avoid key access by recovery boot path and repeated key access attack
- **PCR17** - TrenchBoot Landing Zone, Xen kernel, Dom0 kernel and initramfs
- **PCR18** - multiboot2 MBI (MultiBoot Info) structure containing all kernel's command line parameters as well as kernel location passed to LZ

- Very similar architecture was presented by 3mdeb Firmware Engineer Michał Żygowski on Virtual Xen Development Summit 2020
- What was improved?
 - This is first time we show UEFI based platform - previously OSF based on coreboot
 - Everything is built with OE/Yocto - previously Ubuntu 18.04 LTS
 - Storage is sealed to both SRTM and DRTM PCRs - previously just DRTM









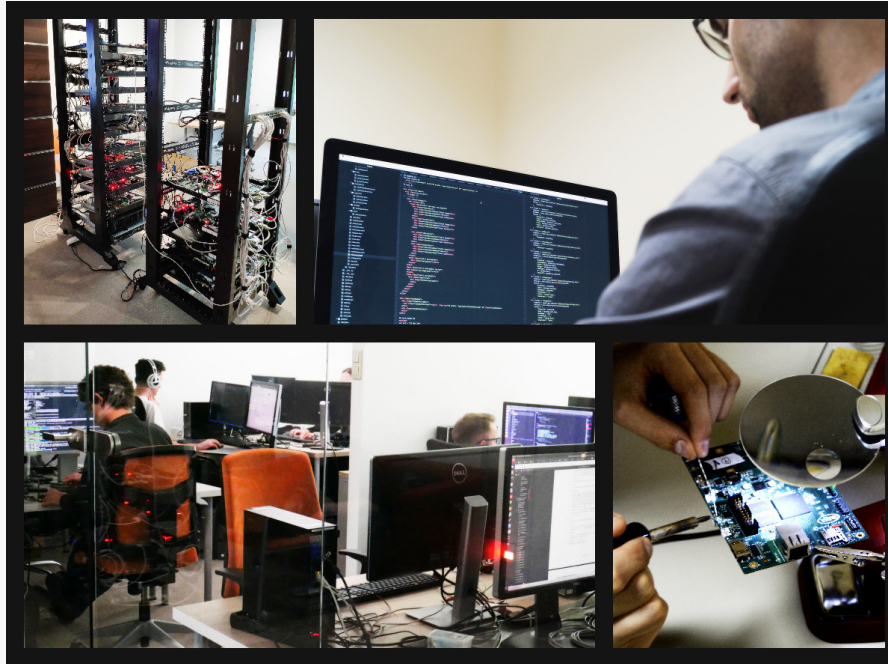
- Firmware stack capabilities are not clearly presented and there are no guides how to leverage its features
 - AMI Aptio Setup Utility has no associated guides for given options, this is probably responsibility of OEM or whoever did the modifications of AMI Aptio to match platform needs
 - User manuals provided by OEMs are simplified and not clear especially in security area
- fTPM implementation supports only CRB (*Command Response Buffer*) interface not compliant to PC Profile
 - there are no information what interface we dealing with, but it seem to match TPM2.0 Mobile Common Profile, which supports only locality 0, but DRTM needs locality 4
 - this force us to use dTPM over LPC connector

- Readability of TPM event log is questionable

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- EventNum: 93
  PCRIndex: 8
  EventType: EV_IPL
  DigestCount: 2
  Digests:
    - AlgorithmId: sha1
      Digest: 6aa335e23eae621685265253abc82e4ddedbc69
    - AlgorithmId: sha256
      Digest: 9db6a39db69e6087eebaf2e519d9d1cb2939cd7657912ea32fdcd50f72de0301
  EventSize: 156
  Event: 677275625f636d643a20736561726368202d2d6e6f2d666c6f707079202d2d66732d75756964202d2d736
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- Clear information if hardware security features are enabled and provisioned
 - to realize if HVB (*Hardware Validated Boot*) is enabled it is required to know PSP Directory structure and extract it from update binary or SPI image
 - no official info how to use, provision and confirm it works

- Use UEFI boot
 - ExitBootServices before SKINIT call
 - Enable EFI64b in Xen
- Use UEFI Secure Boot to validate LZ and Xen
- Safeboot requires LVM partitioning, but Yocto cannot produce an LVM partitioned image. One has to configure LVM on runtime.
- OSHW TPM 2.0 with interposer that simplify connection with various pinouts



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