

# LSDK INTRODUCTION

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# AGENDA

- What is LSDK
- Why change to LSDK
- LSDK in detail
- How to use LSDK
- Plan & Roadmap
- Summary



# WHAT IS LSDK



# Overview - Keywords

LSDK is NXP new generation of SDK for Layerscape productions

- **Disaggregation**

The concept that many software components are available individually. This enables customers and 3<sup>rd</sup> parties to access them individually so they can integrate them into Linux distributions or systems by themselves.

- **LTS**

Long Term Support, used to describe a kernel or Linux distribution that will be formally supported with prompt bug fixes, security updates, and limited feature additions for a defined time period.

- **Linux Distribution**

A complete Linux kit from a specific provider. Includes kernel, tools, user space, etc.

- **Upstreaming**

The process of adding support for NXP-specific hardware or features to a community (non-NXP) software repository.

You can get the source code and related documents from:

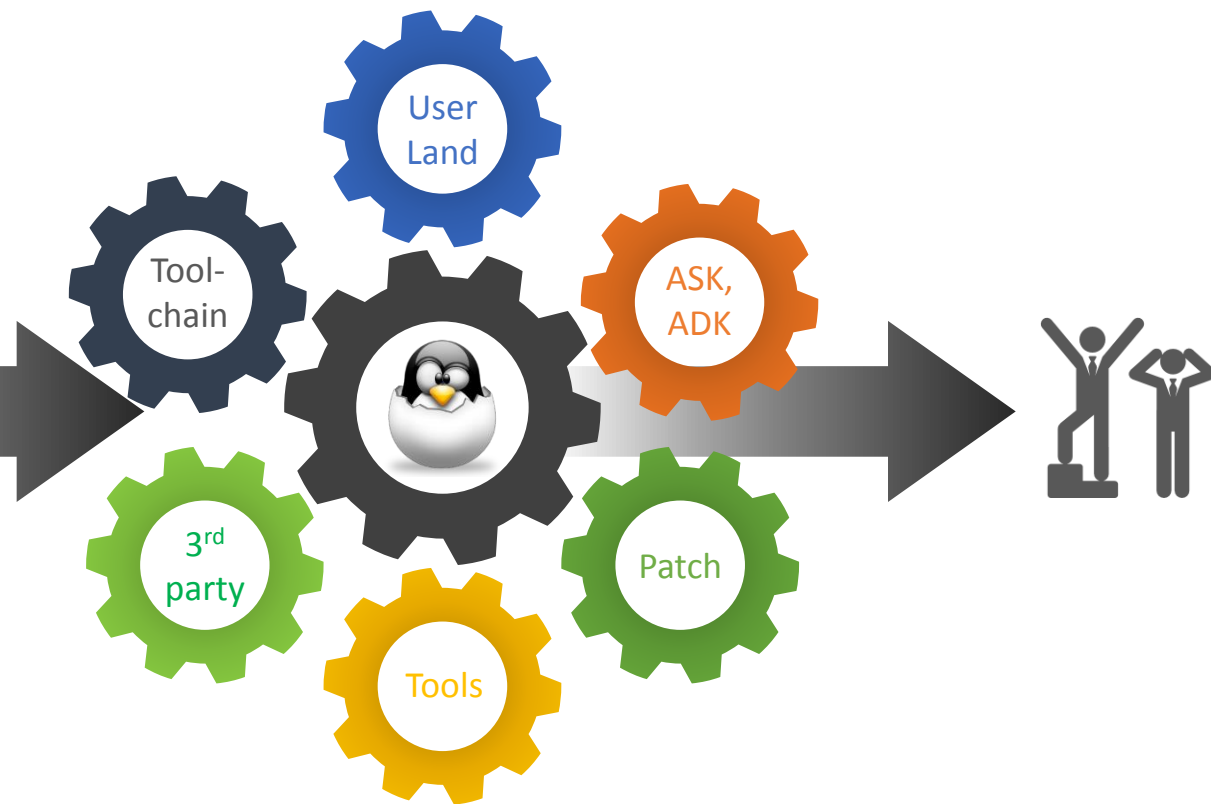
<https://lsdk.github.io/>

# Overview - Evolution

Yocto-Based SDK Only



Disaggregation then supporting many distributions



# WHY CHANG TO LSDK



# Changing Requirements for Linux Distributions

- Requirements are changing due to technology shifts and convergences
  - SDN/NFV
  - Appliance / Server convergence
- Demand broadens away from embedded (and NXP SDK) towards enterprise and some enterprise-derived special purpose distributions.
- Biggest reason is convergence of network appliances & servers but also
  - **Server ecosystem dominance in ARMv8**
  - **More powerful SoCs**
  - **Intel encroachment (WB switches)**
  - **Ease of use in some cases**
  - **Standardization**

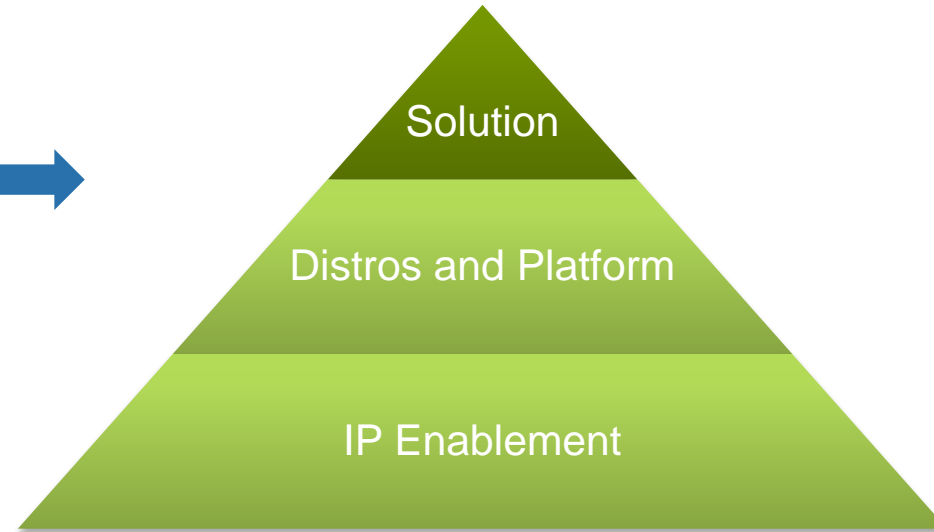
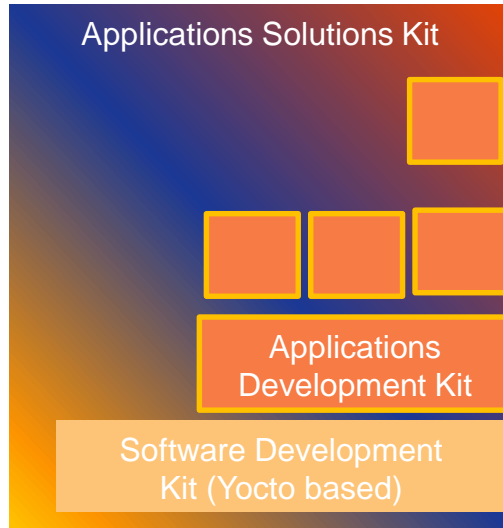


# Details of the Changes

- **Server ODMs, OEMs and operators require a single stable image for consolidating all of their server equipment**
  - One unified asset to deploy to all of their equipment (of the same type)
  - Control OPEX related to validation of platforms and management of equipment
- **Embedded Solutions (Yocto, Linaro, Enea) insufficient (for this usage)**
  - Server users (e.g. carrier operators) use automated provisioning to perform a one-time install of a certified Enterprise image to white box & NFV servers
  - Requires inclusion of QorIQ platform support and drivers (esp. net driver)
- **Rely on commercial distributions**
  - Linux kernel and suite of server applications certified to work against it
  - Kitchen sink approach : distribution contains all the platform software the operator may conceivably need, pre-built (i.e. in binary form) and pre-tested
  - Long-term support provided against a stable (i.e. well-tested in field) configuration
- **Limited set of vendors:**
  - Red Hat (primary)
  - Canonical (new entrant – largest platform vendor for OpenStack cloud): Ubuntu
  - SUSE (predominantly Europe)



# Changes for DN SW

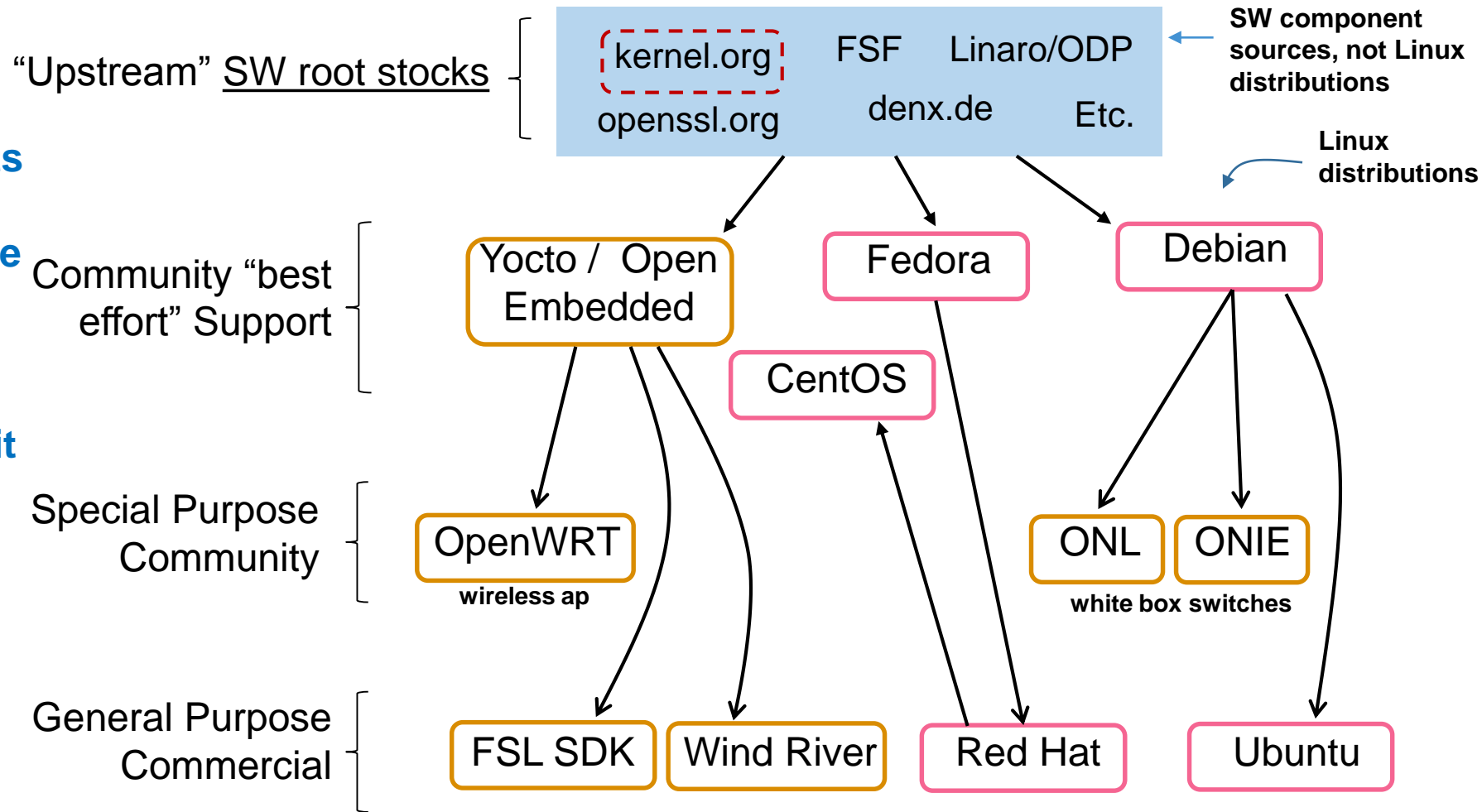


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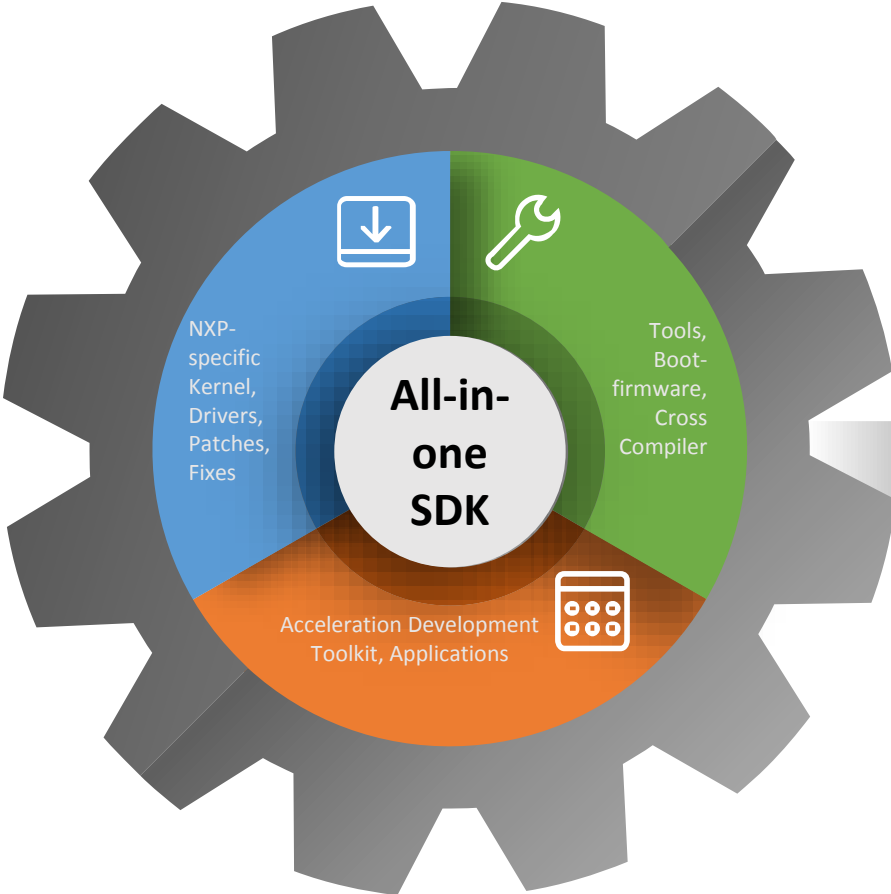
- Make better use of ecosystem.
- “disaggregate” NXP-specific SW components so that
  - They fit into multiple distributions.
  - NXP can integrate them
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> parties can use it
  - Customers can use

**Demand for embedded still exists**

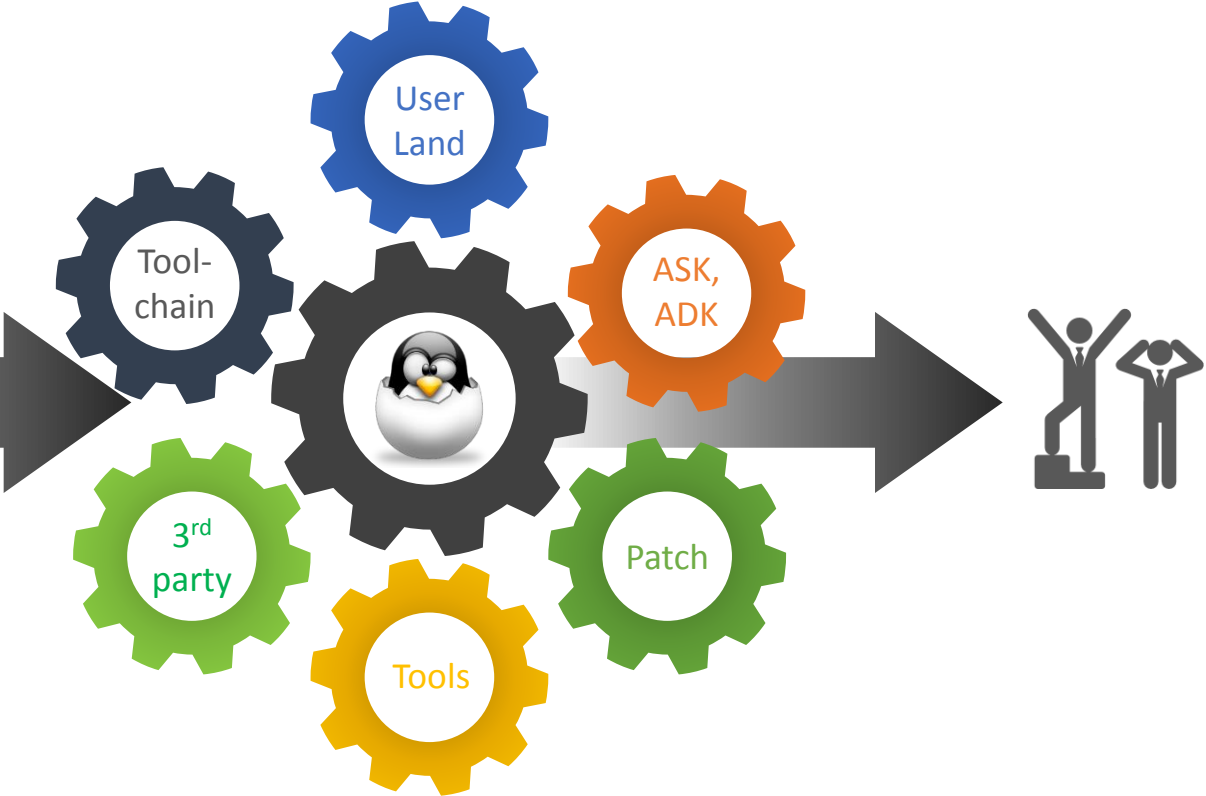


# Brush Up on Overview

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# The Benefit of New SDK - LSDK



## Flexibility

Customers need to be able to load whatever distro or run whatever open-source components



## Scalability

Customers need to run the same software for low-end and high-end deployments



## Stability

Customers need to base their development on most recent LTS kernel versions



## Consistency

Customers need to be able to move freely between different architectures, x86 or ARM

**MARKET DEMANDS OPEN PLATFORM  
AND STANDARD API**

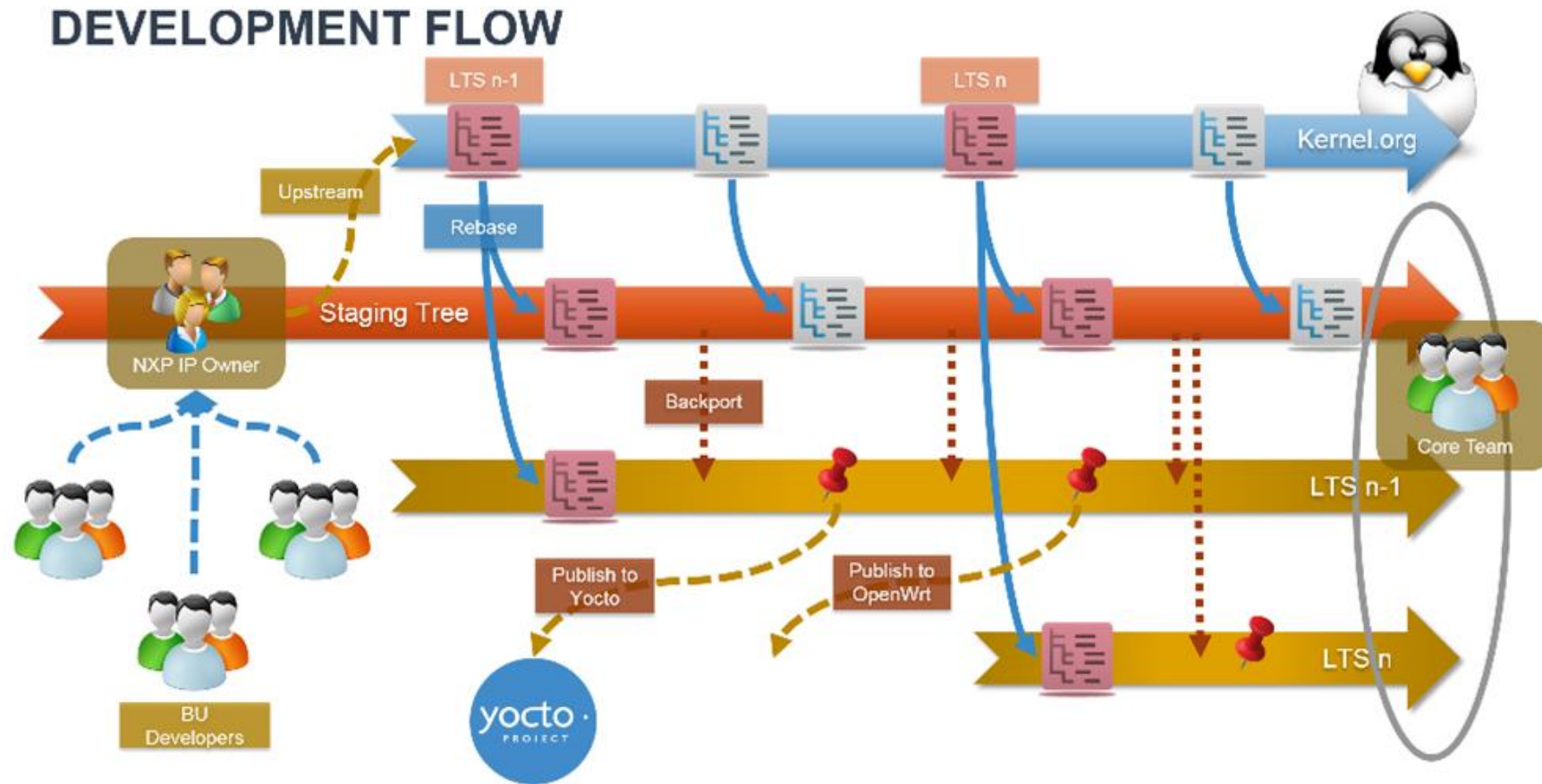
# LSDK IN DETAIL



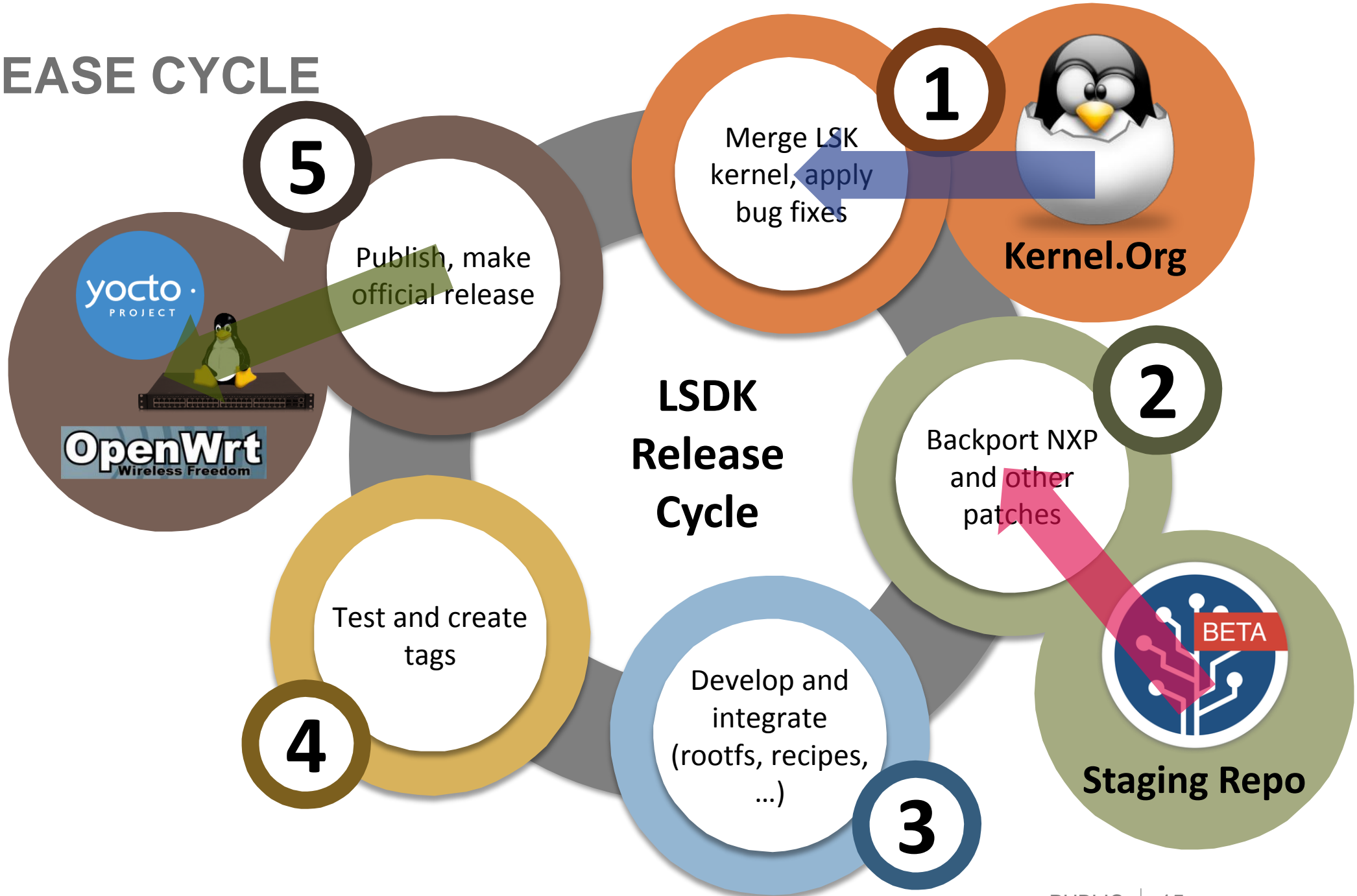
# Basic Elements of LSDK

- **Two key components**
  - Linux kernel – standardized to a stable configuration / revision level
  - Root file system – containing user space applications and dynamically loadable kernel modules for standard drivers
- **Commercial distributions usually rely on kernels and user space packages derived from an upstream community-driven distribution (feeder)**
  - E.g. Debian, Slackware, Gentoo
  - Generally share build tools, package management system, etc. with progenitor
  - Frequent cross-pollination between feeder and derivative (i.e. not strictly a \*fork\*); e.g. derivative re-bases off new feeder releases, bug fixes, enhancements submitted upstream
  - Some commercial distros sponsor community distros; e.g. Red Hat → Fedora, CentOS
- **All derive from a release branch of the mainline kernel.org Linux kernel development tree**
  - Often distinguished by how closely they track to kernel.org releases
  - Community distributions typically released more frequently and closer to kernel.org releases
  - Enterprise distros focus on stability with less frequent releases – based on long-term support “branches”

# LTS Kernel Development



# RELEASE CYCLE





# WHAT'S ON THE BOARD

- Boards are shipped with:
  - NOR image in Bank0/Bank4
  - Boot image and rootfs on SD card
- NOR Image consists of:
  - Boot firmware (u-boot)
  - RCW
  - PHY firmware
  - DPAA firmware (fman, MC)
  - Minimal busybox rootfs
- Installer to install Ubuntu rootfs on SD consists of:
  - Standard distro rootfs
  - NXP specific user space: restool, aiop\_tool, fmc

# BETTER CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

## Majority Customers



- Self-sufficient
- Download toolchain from Linaro, distros from somewhere, NXP components from GIT, ...

## Curious Customers



- Demand integrated vertical solution software
- Solution team delivers package on target hybrid distro

## Old-School Customers



- NPI or Support team produces the YOCTO-based SDK

# LSDK Memory Map

Region 1 (4KB)	Region 2 (64MB)	Region 3 (20MB)	Region 4 (300MB)	Region 5 (remaining space of disk)
MBR/GPT	Firmware	Partition 1 (FAT32) EFI	Partition 2 (EXT4) Boot Partition	Partition 3 (EXT4) rootfs
	RCW			
	U-boot or UEFI	BOOTAA64.EFI	Kernel image	Ubuntu
	Eth PHY firmware	grub.cfg	DTBs	or
	QE/uQE firmware		Flex_installer_<arch>.itb	Ubuntu-Core
	FMan firmware		Distro boot scripts	or
	MC firmware		Secure headers	CentOS
	PPA firmware		Other	or
	kernel image			Debian
	DTB			
	Ramdisk RFS			

# Layerscape SDK vs. QorIQ SDK

	QorIQ SDK	Layerscape SDK
Platforms supported	P, B, T – series and LS – series	LS, LX, LA – series
Features	LTS kernel, platform drivers, tools	<b>Choice of 2</b> LTS kernels, platform drivers, tools <b>Available as components too.</b>
User-space	Yocto	Ubuntu
Build-tool	Yocto	<b>Ubuntu, make, flexbuild</b>
Build Environment	Host	Host, <b>Target</b>
Boot/recovery options	Flash, network	Flash, network, <b>SD card, HDD</b>
Package Installation	Integrate into Yocto, build image, re-flash board.	<b>Apt-get over network</b>
Downloadable	Giant ISO with sources and binaries for all platforms	<b>Individual Binaries, Individual components source</b>

Layerscape SDK **provides more, not less.**  
Layerscape SDK is **Easier to Use**

# HOW TO USE LSDK



# GitHub Access for LSDK

LSDK Open Source

- Enable the QorIQ® Layerscape Processors Based on ARM Technology.
- Disaggregated components of LSDK are available in github.
- Ubuntu-based userland for ARMv7 and ARMv8 targets.
- By downloading the LSDK components, you agree to the EULA(End User License Agreement)
- Flexbuild scripts and prebuilt images need to be downloaded from [www.nxp.com](http://www.nxp.com).

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# Download Components from GitHub



HOME INTRODUCTION **COMPONENTS** DOCUMENTATION

- LSDK UTILITY
- LSDK FIRMWARE
- LSDK LINUX
- LSDK APPS**
- LSDK IMAGES

<b>aiopsl</b> AIOP (Advanced I/O Processor) Service Layer. <a href="#">View on GitHub</a>	<b>cantest</b> Test programs for CAN communication using the SocketCAN API. <a href="#">View on GitHub</a>	<b>ceetm</b> A sub block of the QMan and is an alternative to the regular frame queue - work queue - channel scheduling mode. <a href="#">View on GitHub</a>
<b>cst</b> Utility for security boot. <a href="#">View on GitHub</a>	<b>dppdk</b> Data Plane Development Kit (DPDK) software <a href="#">View on GitHub</a>	<b>dppdk-extras</b> Data Plane Development Kit Extended utilities. <a href="#">View on GitHub</a>

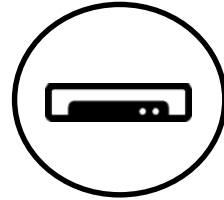


# Clone Linux from GitHub

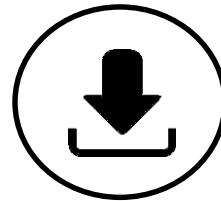
The screenshot shows a web browser window with the GitHub repository page for `qorIQ-open-source/linux`. The browser's address bar shows the URL `https://github.com/qorIQ-open-source/linux`. The repository page features a dark navigation bar with the GitHub logo and links for Features, Business, Explore, Marketplace, and Pricing. A search bar and 'Sign in or Sign up' button are also present. Below the navigation bar, the repository name `qorIQ-open-source / linux` is displayed, along with 'Watch 4', 'Star 0', and 'Fork 0' buttons. A tabbed interface shows 'Code' as the active tab, with 'Issues 0', 'Pull requests 0', 'Projects 0', and 'Insights' also available. A large banner promotes joining GitHub today, stating that GitHub is home to over 20 million developers. Below the banner, it notes 'No description, website, or topics provided.' A statistics bar shows 568,026 commits, 3 branches, 3 releases, and 6,479 contributors. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Branch: linux-4.4', 'New pull request', 'Find file', and 'Clone or download'. A commit history entry is visible, showing a commit by `sudeep-holla` with the message 'Remove disabling redistributor and group1 non-secure i...' and the latest commit `ec61f52` on 17 Aug 2016. Below the commit history, there are folders for 'Documentation' and 'arch', with a file `arch/arm64: dts: update the cpu idle node` listed as updated 24 days ago.



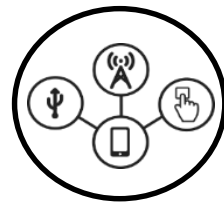
## LSDK Utility - Flexbuild



**Flexbuild is a integrated build system with flexible system build and distro installation.**



**The LSDK build system includes three major components: package builder, rootfs maker and image installer.**



**The utility can run on x86 host of Ubuntu 16.04, arm targets and docker container.**



# Build LSDK using Flexbuild

- **General build command**

- \$ tar xvzf flexbuild\_<version>.tgz
- \$ cd flexbuild
- \$ source setup.env
- \$ flex-builder -i repo-fetch
- \$ flex-builder -i repo-tag (check out tags specified in file build\_lsdk1706.cfg)

- **Build custom kernel and update the boot partition**

- \$ flex-builder -c linux -B menuconfig
- \$ flex-builder -i uimg
- \$ flex-builder -i mkbootpartition
- \$ cd build/qoriq-linux/kernel/arm64/lib && tar cvzf modules.tgz modules

- **Build custom u-boot or application**

- \$ flex-builder -c uboot -m <machine> -b <boottype> #build uboot for <machine> to generate specified nor/sd/qspi boot image
- \$ flex-builder -c <component> -a <arch> #build single application component for specified <arch>

# Deploy LSDK Images on the target board

- **Deploy LSDK images from Linux Host**

- \$ wget [http://www.nxp.com/lgfiles/sdk/lSDK1706/firmware\\_ls1088ardb\\_uboot\\_sdboot.img](http://www.nxp.com/lgfiles/sdk/lSDK1706/firmware_ls1088ardb_uboot_sdboot.img)
- Or \$ flex-builder -i mkrfs -a <arch> -B additional\_packages\_list\_full
- \$ flex-installer --bootpart=bootpartition\_arm64.tgz --rootfs=build/images/ubuntu\_xenial\_arm64\_rootfs.d --firmware=firmware\_ls1088ardb\_uboot\_sdboot.img --machine=ls1088ardb --device=/dev/sdX

- **Deploy LSDK images from Target board**

- Download LSDK composite firmware from NXP website
  - E.g. \$ wget http://www.nxp.com/lgfiles/sdk/lSDK1706/firmware\_ls2088ardb\_uboot\_norboot.img
- Put LSDK composite firmware to a TFTP server, then download the firmware via TFTP to the target board under the U-Boot prompt
- Reset the board and deploy boot partition and Ubuntu 16.04 userland to SD/USB/SATA.
  - Enable network connection to download LSDK images
  - Use flex-installer to create and format partitions
  - \$ flex-installer -i install --bootpart=bootpartition\_arm64.tgz --rootfs=ubuntu\_xenial\_arm64\_rootfs.tgz --machine=ls2088ardb --device=usb

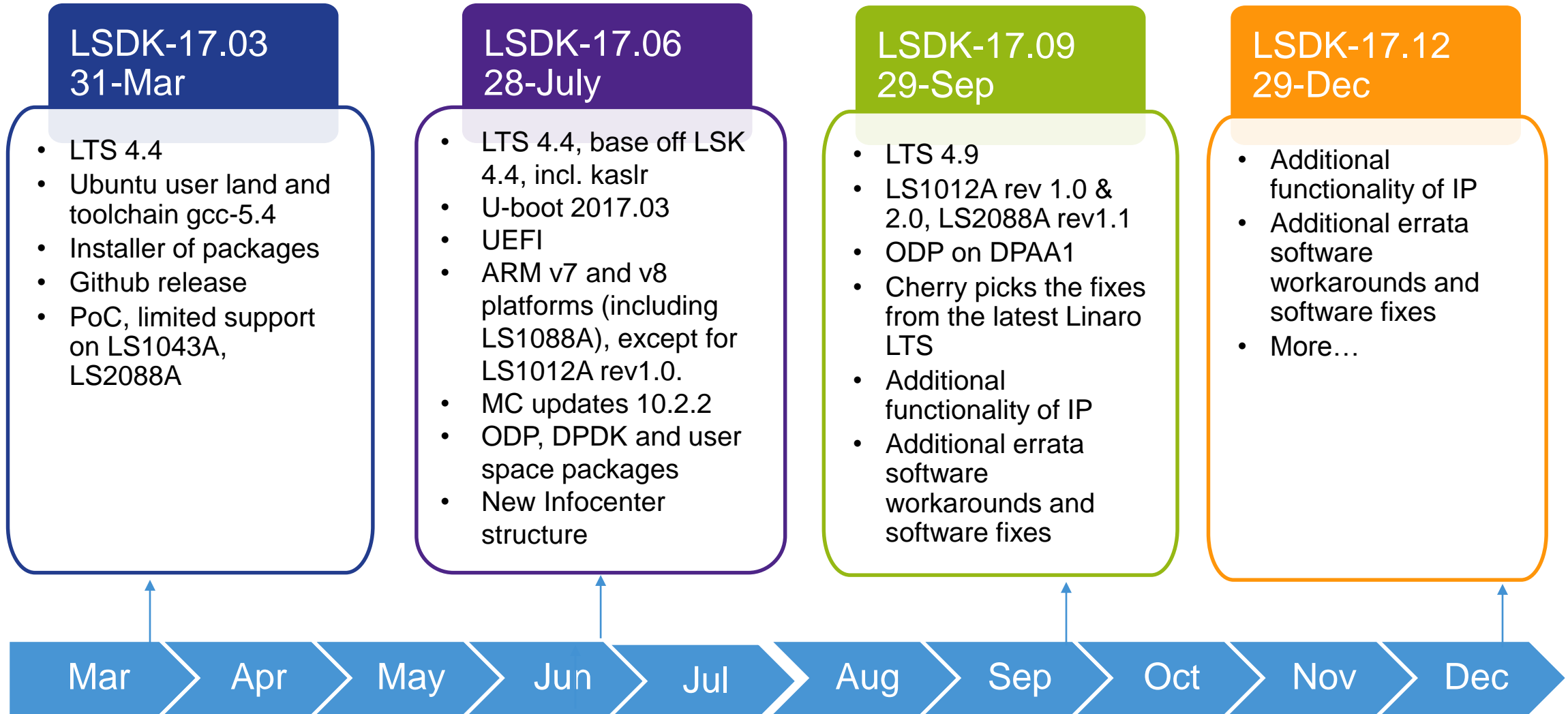
# Add a Package using Flexbuild

- **How to add a package not officially supported by Ubuntu user land during build stage**
  - add extrinsic package name to `extrinsic_packages_list` in `packages/apt-packages/additional_packages_list`
  - put custom script of extrinsic package to `packages/apt-packages/extrinsic-pkg` (e.g. refer to `nginx.sh`)
  - run `flex-builder -i mkrfs -a <arch>` to generate new Ubuntu rootfs
  - install the new Ubuntu rootfs to target machine via `flex-installer`

# PLAN AND ROADMAP



# Layerscape SDK Roadmap



# SUMMARY

# Summary

- LSDK is a new form of Linux from NXP DN, and consist of a set of disaggregated components based on Linux distributions.
- Meet market demand to more Linux distributions of more types, and satisfy the requirement from a wide variety of customers.
- We can use Flexbuild to build all packages from LSDK, make Root filesystem and generate the installer.

**All you need to get your product to market faster!**



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