RTEMS News

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Versions and Tools

Current RTEMS Releases

- . 2007/03/07: rtems-4.7.0 released
- 2007/04/13: rtems-4.7.1 released
- 2007/03/13 rtems-4.7.99.1 released

Host Toolset Versions

- . For rtems-4.7.x:
 - . gcc-4.1.1/newlib-1.15.0
 - . binutils-2.17
- For rtems-4.8:
 - . gcc-4.1.2/newlib-1.15.0
 - . binutils-2.17

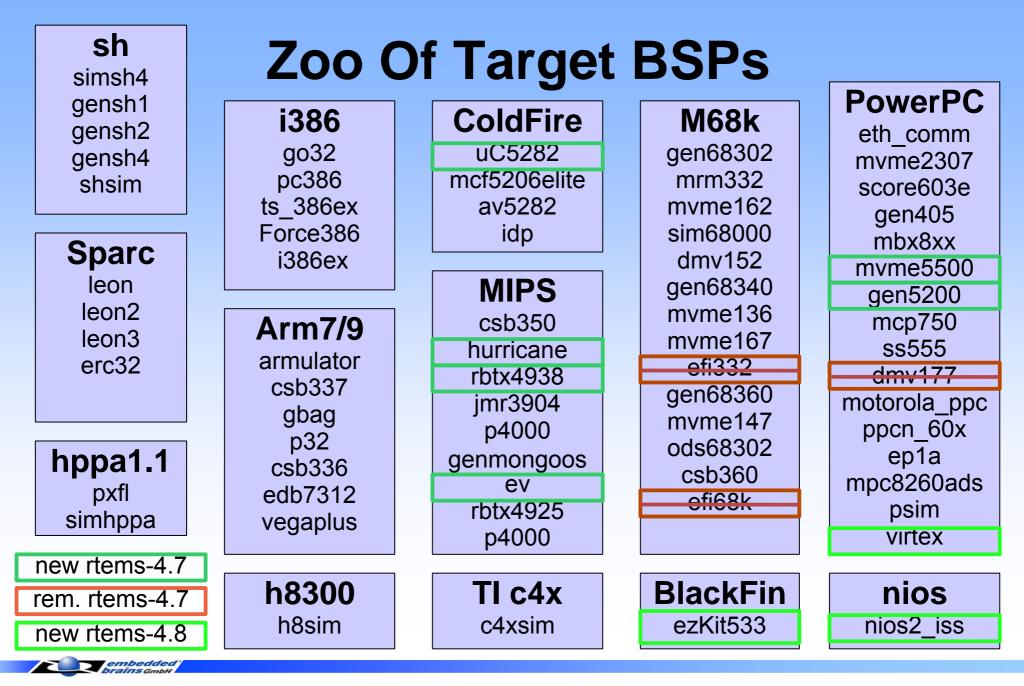


Host Platform News

Primary supported Host Platforms:

- . Linux
- . Win32/cygwin
- New: Win32/MinGW (set up and currently supported by Chris Johns, Cybertec, Australia)





FPGA Based BSPs

Among others, rtems-4.8 offers two BSPs for processor cores embedded in FPGA

- . NIOS-II (Altera)
- . PowerPC/Virtex (Xilinx)

New class of devices can be designed with embedded and changeable hardware support for

- . Digital Filters, Transformations
- . Specialized "soft" hardware
- others...



Major RTEMS 4.7 Changes

- . Efforts to reduce minimum code size
- Stack checker uses additional rule
- . Speedup of FAT filesystem performance
- . Classic API ADA bindings updated
 - . And many more...



Major RTEMS 4.8 Changes

- . Further efforts to reduce minimum code size
 - assert uses printk or BSP-specific replacement routine
- . Additions to POSIX API:
 - Barriers, spinlocks, rwlocks
- . Addition of nanosecond support to clock API
- Improvements of "Capture Engine" for system event tracking, adapted to nanosecond resolution
- Rework of source code structure for PowerpC exception handling
 - . Transition from "copied" to "shared" code

And many more...



Funding

Some desired projects require either

. Substantial funding of one party

or

. Shared funding of multiple parties

Candidates:

- . Update of TCP/IP stack
- . Addition of a proper USB stack



Infrastructure Changes

Hardware

. Better servers at rtems.org

Software Changes

- RTEMS Wiki established
- . Bug database switched from GNATS to Bugzilla
- . Mailing lists managed with GNU mailman
- Yum/APT repository for GNU/Linux ROMs

Coming soon:

European mirror site at http://www.rtems.de



RTEMS Training

Regular Open Classes are held in:

- . Huntsville, Alabama (organized by OAR Corp)
- Munich, Germany (organized by embedded brains GmbH)

Specialized and On-Site classes available on request





RTEMS Commercial Support

Support available in:

- . USA: OAR Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama
- . Australia: Cybertec, Gladesville
- Germany: embedded brains GmbH, Bavaria, Puchheim
 - . near munich, close to the center of Europe



embedded brains GmbH General Activities

Embedded HW and SW development

Customer ranges

- . Industrial
- . Automotive
- . Telecommunications
- . Aerospace







embedded brains GmbH RTEMS Activities

Training

BSP ports

Application support

Turn-key RTEMS environment setup for customer specific hardware

Consulting and On-Site support



RTEMS Pointers

http://www.rtems.com

- . Main website with sources, tools, CVS,
- . Documentation and Wiki
- . Mailing list archive

http://www.embedded-brains.de/

Products and support services for RTEMS/embedded design

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