



MaaXBoard

(AES-MC-SBC-IMX8M-G)

Linux Yocto Lite

Software Development Guide

V1.1

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Chapter 1 Build Environment Setup

1.1 Setup Build Environment

To setup the build environment need:

- ◆ Hardware: At least 40GB of disk space and 2GB of RAM
- ◆ Software: Ubuntu 64bit OS, 18.04 LTS version or later LTS version (Ubuntu Desktop or Ubuntu Server version). You could also run the Ubuntu 64 bit OS on virtual machine.

The following packages are required for the development environment. The required packages can be installed using the bash script below:

```
sudo apt-get update
$sudo apt-get install -y gawk wget git-core diffstat unzip texinfo gcc-multilib build-essential
chrpath socat libsdl1.2-dev xterm sed cvs subversion coreutils texi2html docbook-utils
python-pysqlite2 help2man make gcc g++ desktop-file-utils libgl1-mesa-dev libglu1-mesa-dev
mercurial autoconf automake groff curl lzop asciidoc u-boot-tools cpio sudo locales
```

Install repo

```
$sudo curl http://commondatastorage.googleapis.com/git-repo-downloads/repo > /usr/bin/repo
$sudo chmod a+x /usr/bin/repo
```

Chapter 2 Fetch Source Code

2.1 Download meta layers from NXP

```
$ mkdir imx-yocto-bsp
$ cd imx-yocto-bsp
$ repo init -u https://source.codeaurora.org/external/imx/imx-manifest -b imx-linux-zeus -m
imx-5.4.24-2.1.0.xml
$ repo sync
```

2.2 Download MaaXBoard Source Code

To download the source code of MaaXBoard, download the repository from GitHub or get the source code package from FAE.

Clone from Github:

```
$ cd imx-yocto-bsp/sources
$ git clone https://github.com/Avnet/meta-maaxboard.git
```

Or extract the code package:

```
$ tar -jxvf meta-maaxboard*.tar.bz2 -C imx-yocto-bsp/sources
```

2.3 Install patch

NXP do some hook / patch according different machine / distro when init a new build. We need do this first.

```
$ cd imx-yocto-bsp
$ mkdir imx8mqevk
$ DISTRO=fsl-imx-wayland MACHINE=imx8mqevk source fsl-setup-release.sh -b imx8mqevk
$ rm -rf imx8mqevk
```

Chapter 3 Build

3.1 Build Configure

Create the build directory and the default build conf

```
$cd imx-yocto-bsp
$ mkdir -p maaxboard/build
$ source sources/poky/oe-init-build-env maaxboard/build
```

This operation will generate 2 conf file under path: maaxboard/build/conf if there is no conf file exist.

- ◆ local.conf
- ◆ bblayers.conf

Users could modify the conf files according to your setting, there are two reference file under path: imx-yocto-bsp/sources/meta-maaxboard/conf

- ◆ local.conf.sample
- ◆ bblayers.conf.sample

3.2 Build

```
$ cd imx-yocto-bsp
$ source sources/poky/oe-init-build-env maaxboard/build
$ bitbake lite-image
```

The build output locate under path: imx-yocto-bsp/maaxboard/build/tmp/deploy/images/maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard/. Below is an example of build output.

- ◆ Entire system image: lite-image-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-20210315060135.rootfs.wic.bz2
- ◆ U-boot image: imx-boot-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-sd.bin-flash_ ddr4_val
- ◆ Kernel:
 - Image
 - maaxboard-dcss-hdmi.dtb

- maaxboard-dcss-mipi.dtb
 - maaxboard-lcdif-mipi.dtb
 - maaxboard-dual-display.dtb
 - maaxboard-usb0-device.dtb
- ◆ File system:lite-image-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-20210315060135.rootfs.tar.bz2

Chapter 4 Burn the Image

The default version of MaaXBoard support SD Card. Avnet Manufacturing Services also provide eMMC version for users to customize. To burn the system image to the eMMC, refer to MaaXBoard UUU Burning Guide.

4.1 Burn Entire System Image

Extract the bz2 and burn it:

Note: `lite-image-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-20210315060135.rootfs.wic` is an example of system image, the value `sdb` should be replaced by the actual node of SD Card under Linux system.

```
$ bunzip2 lite-image-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-20210315060135.rootfs.wic.bz2
$ sudo dd if=lite-image-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-20210315060135.rootfs.wic of=/dev/sdb
bs=256M conv=fsync
```

4.2 Burn Part of Image

4.2.1 Burn U-boot Image

```
$ sudo dd if=imx-boot-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-sd.bin-flash_dds_val of=/dev/sdb bs=1k
seek=33 conv=fsync
```

4.2.2 Burn Kernel Image

Copy the Image and dtb files to the first partition of SD Card.

4.2.3 Burn File System

Extract file system to the second partition of SD Card use tar command, for example:

```
$ sudo mount /dev/sdb2 /mnt/
$ sudo tar xjfv lite-image-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-20210315060135.rootfs.tar.bz2 -C /mnt
$ sync
$ sudo umount /mnt
```

4.3 Burn eMMC

Use the system image and u-boot image `imx-boot-maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard-sd.bin-flash_dds_val` to burn eMMC board, for detailed operation, refer to MaaXBoard UUU Burning Guide.

Chapter 5 User Defined Module

5.1 Configuration

Default Configuration:

- Distro: 'fsl-imx-wayland-lite'
 - meta-maaxboard/conf/distro/fsl-imx-wayland-lite.conf
- Image: "lite-image"
 - meta-maaxboard/images/lite-image.bb
- Machine:
 - MaaXBoard: maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard

Customization

Users could add more packages in the image recipe: meta-maaxboard/images/lite-image.bb

Distro features: meta-maaxboard/conf/distro/fsl-imx-wayland-lite.conf

Machine features: meta-maaxboard/conf/machine/maaxboard-ddr4-2g-sdcard.conf

5.2 Setup a Debian Repository

Here we want to show you how to setup a Debian Repository. In this way, you could use **apt-get install** to install packages that you built in Yocto.

5.2.1 Build Packages

Build the software package in Yocto Compile Environment, take nano for example.

```
$ cd imx-yocto-bsp
$ source sources/poky/oe-init-build-env maaxboard/build
$ bitbake nano
```

5.2.2 Generate Packages index files

After build the packages, you should generate the package index files for apt-get to search.

Add a script called dpkg-scan.sh under deb folder:

```
$ cd imx-yocto-bsp/maaxboard/build/tmp/deploy/deb
$ nano dpkg-scan.sh
```

Add following info:

```
#!/bin/bash
ls -d */ | sed 's/\/' | cat | while IFS=' ' read -r item
do
echo "[${item}] - Scan Packages and generate Packages.gz"
dpkg-scanpackages ${item} | gzip > ${item}/Packages.gz
done
```

Then execute following command:

```
$ sudo chmod +x ./dpkg-scan.sh
```

Exec ./dpkg-scan.sh everytime you build a new package:

```
./dpkg-scan.sh
```

5.2.3 Host Setup

Install a web server on the host machine that you build the Yocto images:

```
$ sudo apt install nginx
$ sudo nano /etc/nginx/sites-available/deb
```

Add following info:

```
server {
    listen 80 default_server;
    server_name yocto_deb_packages;
    root /home/build/maaxboard/maaxboard-yocto/maaxboard/build/tmp/deploy/deb;

    location / {
        autoindex on;
    }
}
```

Enable website

```
$ sudo rm /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/default
$ sudo ln -s /etc/nginx/sites-available/deb /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/deb
```

Start nginx

```
$ sudo systemctl restart nginx
```

5.2.4 Install the Package on MaaXBoard

In this example, the host machine IP is 192.168.2.58, we will install package: **nano**.

1. Add Sources List

```
$ sudo nano /etc/apt/sources.list
```

Add following info:

```
deb http://192.168.2.58/ aarch64/  
deb http://192.168.2.58/ aarch64-mx8m/  
deb http://192.168.2.58/ maaxboard_dds4_2g_sdcard/  
deb http://192.168.2.58/ all/
```

2. Update source and install package

```
$ sudo rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/*  
$ sudo apt-get update  
$ sudo apt-get install nano
```

Chapter 6 Appendix

6.1 Hardware

For the detail hardware introduction, please refer to MaaXBoard Hardware user manual.

6.2 Software

MaaXBoard support Linux Yocto system and Android system, for the detail software introduction, please refer to related user manual.

◆ Linux

- ◆ MaaXBoard Linux Software Release Note
- ◆ MaaXBoard Linux Software User Manual
- ◆ MaaXBoard Linux Software Development Guide

◆ Android

- ◆ MaaXBoard Android Software Release Note
- ◆ MaaXBoard Android Software User Manual
- ◆ MaaXBoard Android Software Development Guide

6.3 USB Burning

MaaXBoard support burn image through USB port, refer to “MaaXBoard UUU Burning Guide”.

Chapter 7 Technical Support and Warranty

7.1 Technical Support

Avnet Manufacturing Services provides its product with one-year free technical support including:

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