

Open-CMSIS-Pack

Technical Project Meeting 2021-06-29

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Agenda

- Q&A follow up from CMSIS Review meeting
- Introducing requirements for Multi-Project (Reinhard Keil, Arm)
- Introducing vidx2pidx repository and utility (Charles Oliveira, Linaro)
- Review “way of working”
- Wrap Up
- AoB

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Concept for Complex Project Setup

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Open-CMSIS-Pack Provisional Roadmap Details

Core Library Components	 Base Components <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open-Source existing Arm implementations 	 Project Format <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CPRJ project examples UX improvements 	 Collecting Input <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evolution of specification Evolution of common components 		
	 Base Technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cmake to Pack conversion Multi-Project Targets 	 Target Connection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debug and download aspects of Multi-Project Targets 			
Resource Management	 Multi-Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review DeviceTree and CMSIS-Zone Define structure of "Umbrella" projects for multi-core, etc. Organize taxonomies of standardized API interfaces 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement project management for multi-core and secure/non-secure setups Refine the layer concept for better code re-use 		
PoC Tools	 Project Build <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreate Cbuild in public GitHub Infra-structure Close gaps in Cbuild Pack download/install 	 Pack Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CMake to Pack Converter Pack Validation (PackChk) 	 Project Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information from CMSIS-Packs Many boards with reference designs 	 Configuration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Text based configuration utility (aka Config Wizard) 	
	 Optimize Delivery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore potential ways to secure pack content 		 Example Contribution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners are enabled to submit own examples 	 CI for Example/Pack <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep examples up-to-date Submit process for packs with CI 	
	Jul/Aug 2021	Sep/Oct 2021	Nov/Dec 2021	Jan/Feb 2022	Future

Last Update: June 21, 2021

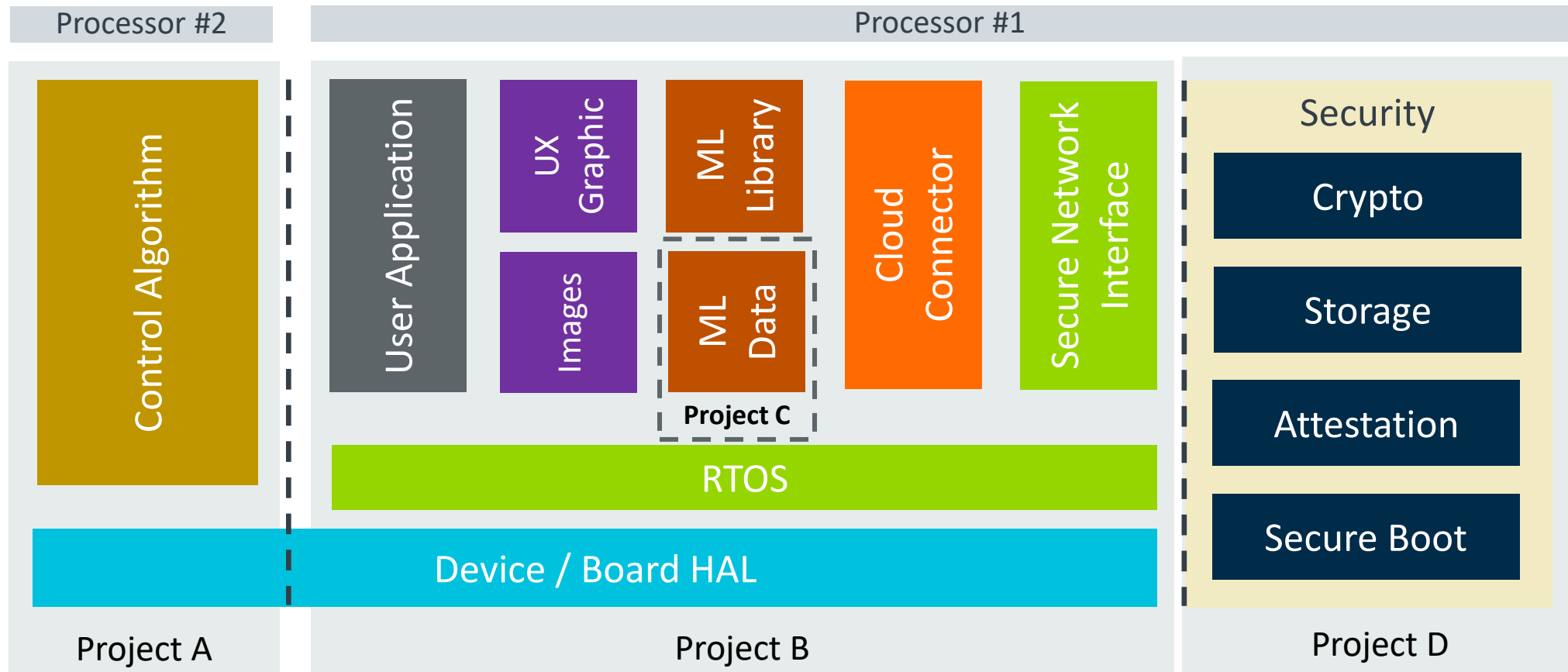
What Requirements should we consider for the future?

Use cases driven by Application Developer

- Holistic view on software projects considering:
 - Structure
 - many dependent/related projects
 - reuse of partial projects
 - Code Generation:
 - build order dependencies
 - multiple build configurations
 - HW resource allocation partitioning and dependencies
 - generated/assisted software configuration
 - Deployment and Download:
 - flash programming setup and configuration
 - Firmware update processes including OTA programming
 - Debugging:
 - debug setup and configuration
- Simplify testing and porting of applications across devices and boards

Multi-Project Requirements

Separate projects independently developed; combined in a multi-project workspace



Proposal: Introduce an “umbrella” project file (provisionally called *.ctarget)

Adopt CMSIS-Zone Concepts for Multi-Project Configuration?

Discussion and **decision for multi-project configuration**: CMSIS-Zone and/or DeviceTree

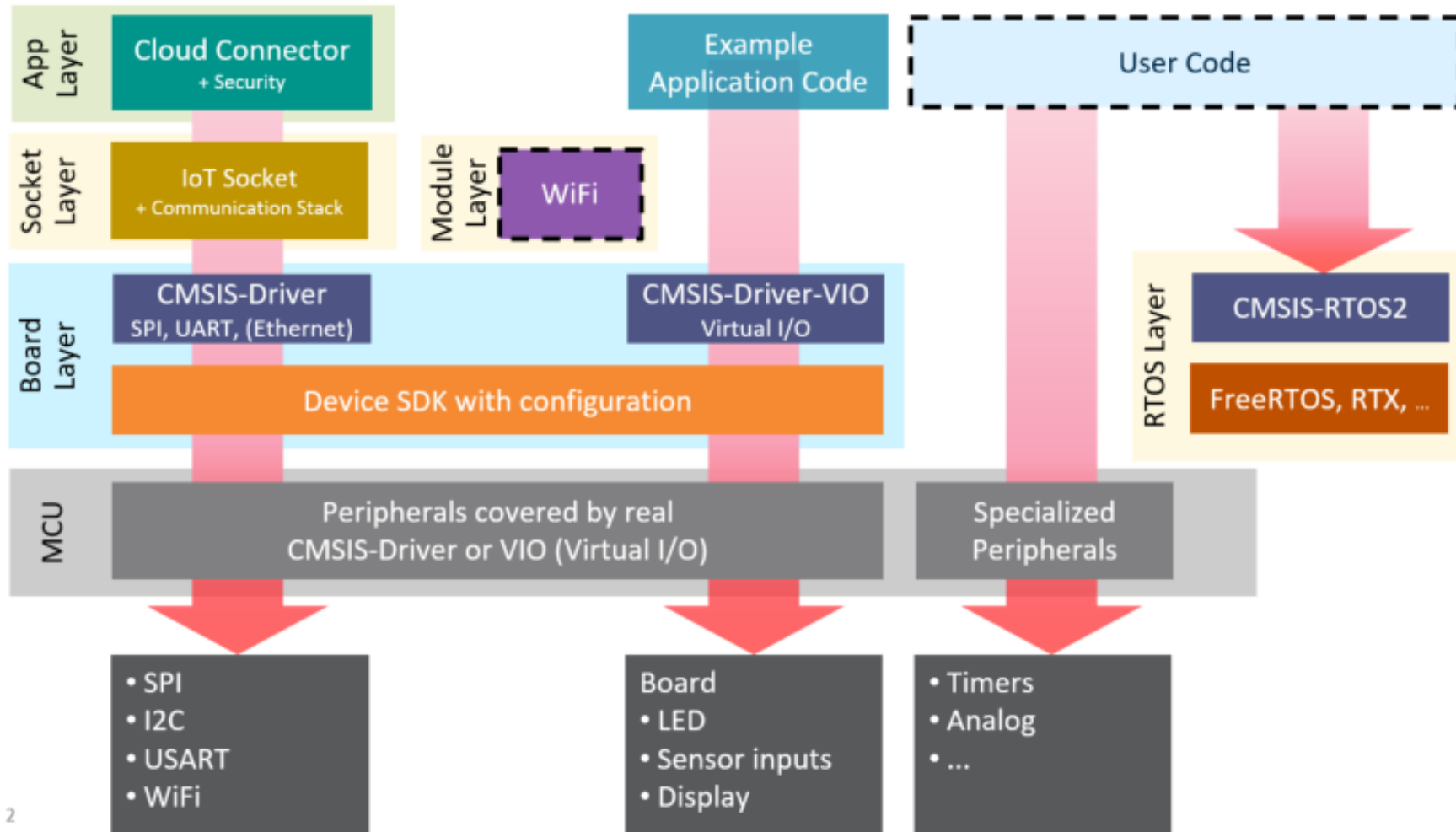
<https://community.arm.com/developer/tools-software/tools/b/tools-software-ides-blog/posts/configuring-armv8-m-systems-with-cmsis-zone>

The screenshot shows the Eclipse IDE interface with the 'Zone map' view open. The 'Zone map' view displays a table of memory and peripheral resources for the 'NXP LPC55 Series.azone' project. A red box highlights the text 'This is a multi-project view' above the table columns.

Name	Permis...	Size	Start	End	hello_world_s	hello_world_ns	a	Info
LPC55S69								Cortex-M33, 320kB on-chip SRAM, 6
Memory								
FLASH	rx	646656 B	0x00000000	0x0009DFFF			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flash
CODE_NS	rx,n,u	10 KB	0x00018000	0x0001A7FF		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Non-secure FLASH for CODE executi
FLASH_S	rx,c	646656 B	0x10000000	0x1009DFFF				Flash (Secure)
CODE_S1	rx,s,p	65024 B	0x10000000	0x1000FDFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Secure FLASH for CODE execution
Veneer	rx,c,p	512 B	0x1000FE00	0x1000FFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Non-secure callable FLASH for CODE
Code_S2	rx,s	16 KB	0x10010000	0x10013FFF				
FLASH_FFR	rx	8 KB	0x0009DE00	0x0009FDFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Flash FFR
ROM	rx	128 KB	0x03000000	0x0301FFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Boot ROM
ROM_S	rx,c	128 KB	0x13000000	0x1301FFFF				Boot ROM (Secure)
SRAMX	rw	32 KB	0x04000000	0x04007FFF				SRAMX
SRAMX_S	rw,c	32 KB	0x14000000	0x14007FFF				SRAMX (Secure)
FLASH_FFR_S	rx,c	8 KB	0x1009DE00	0x1009FDFF			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Flash FFR (Secure)
SRAM	rw	272 KB	0x20000000	0x20043FFF				SRAM Banks 0-4
DATA_NS	rw,n	128 KB	0x20004000	0x20023FFF		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
SRAM_S	rw,s	272 KB	0x30000000	0x30043FFF				SRAM Banks 0-4 (Secure)
DATA_S	rw,s	32 KB	0x30024000	0x3002BFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
USB_SRAM	rw	16 KB	0x40100000	0x40103FFF				USB SRAM
USB_SRAM_S	rw,s	16 KB	0x50100000	0x50103FFF				USB SRAM (Secure)
Peripherals								
CTIMER								Standard Counter/Timers
DMA								DMA Controllers
FLEXCOMM								Flexcomm (I2C, I2S, SPI, or USART) In
FLEXCOMM0	rw,s	4 KB	0x50086000	0x50086FFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			configurable as I2C, I2S, SPI, or USAR
FLEXCOMM1	rw	4 KB	0x40087000	0x40087FFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			configurable as I2C, I2S, SPI, or USAR
FLEXCOMM2	rw	4 KB	0x40088000	0x40088FFF				configurable as I2C, I2S, SPI, or USAR

Layers: set of pre-configured software components

[GitHub - MDK-Packs/CB_Lab4Layer: CMSIS-Build Lab with Layers](#)



Lab4Layer shows the following concepts:

Examples that are composed from different layers.

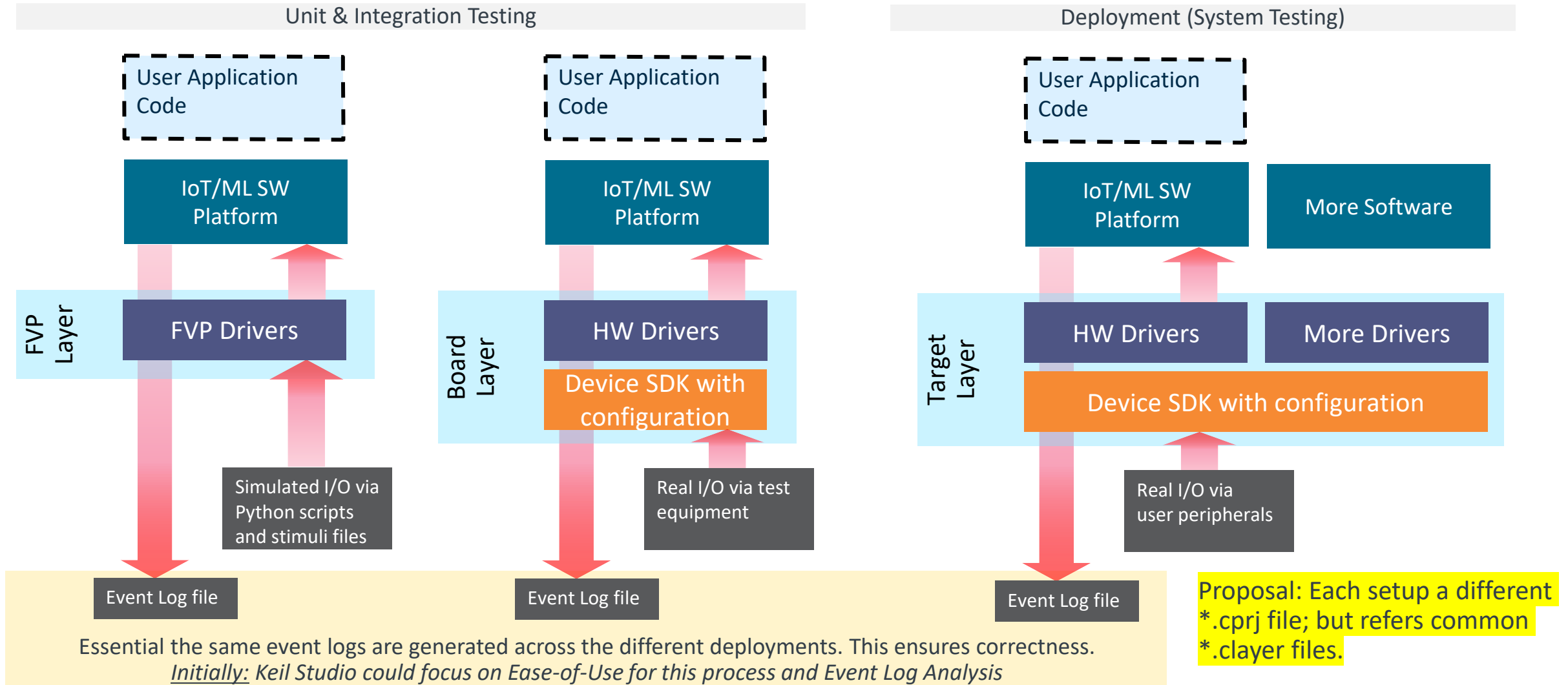
Readme.md files that explain the examples: generated from *.md file snippets

Interfaces that are:

- provided by a layer
 - consumed by a layer
- This allows to auto-generate a list of possible combinations.

Layers: deployment to different targets for test automation

CI/CD environment for test automation – scale from Simulation to Hardware to Deployment



File	points to...	Description
*.pack	*.rzone *.svd	Device Family Pack: describes device, device variants, processor cores, memory, and debug options.
*.rzone		Resource file: describes device, processor cores, memory, and peripherals. Duplicates to some extent *.pack and *.svd, but does not cover device variants. Content can be generated to some extent using *.pack and *.svd, but will be incomplete (and in many cases incorrect). *.rzone files describe also sub-systems (after an assignment). Perhaps the *.rzone file can replace some content in the *.pack file or the *.pack/*.svd file can be extended to allow full generation of the *.rzone master file.
*.azone	*.rzone	Describes assignments to project zones (that can be viewed as projects) or execution zones (to setup MPU within a project).
*.cprj	(*clayer proposed)	Describes a project and repeats device information. Linker setup could be potentially achieved using *.azone files.
*.clayer		Describes a layer with pre-configured software components and additional source files.
*.flm		Flash algorithm files; contain information about flash sector and block sizes. Somewhat duplicated in *.rzone alignment information.

New proposed files:

File	points to...	Description
*.ctarget	*.azone *.cprj (multiple) *.cdebug	Describes the projects that compose a target application. Potentially this could be merged with the *.azone file.
*.cdebug		Debug configuration for the target. Potentially a *.ctarget could have multiple debug configurations, i.e. for CMSIS-DAP, ULINK, J-Link, DSTREAM, etc.

Note: for stand-alone tools like CMSIS-Build or a command-line debug tool (DSE) it should be sufficient to use a *.cprj or *.cdebug file to configure the tool. It is therefore OK to somewhat duplicate information in the various files.

Important is a consistency check of the various information across the files.

Close gaps on *.cprj

- Enable GCC and AC6 based compilation with same *.cprj file
- Pre-build/post-build steps, ideally consistent across Linux/Win/MacOS
- Integration of generators (review *.gpdsc concept)
 - Consider both: Cloud and Desktop flows
- Different build configuration (release, debug, test) with a default setting
- Stand-alone build (allow to integrate *.clayer)
 - Should a *.cprj that refers external *.clayer files have a different extension, i.e. *.cprjx?

IMPORTANT NOTE: CMSIS-Build and the underlying project format(s) should support Command-Line and IDE flows (we use it in Keil Studio as the primer format)



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CMSIS-Pack index file processing (vidx2pidx)

- Charles Oliveira works for Linaro
- First Open-CMSIS-Pack CLI tool development
- <https://github.com/Open-CMSIS-Pack/vidx2pidx>
- Using GO language and GitHub Actions
- DEMO
- Q&A

Way of working ...

- Definition of done?
 - A User Story is done, when an ADR is accepted?
 - User stories have acceptance criteria giving the DoD
 - Acceptance criteria typically involve the user being able to replay the story; requiring some sort of implementation
 - An ADR is done when an implementation is available?
 - ADR is recording a design decision
 - ADRs can be proposed and accepted
 - ADRs are long-running and cannot be "done"
 - ADRs might be violated
 - ADRs can be revoked or superseded by new ones

Way of working ...

- User Stories:
 - GitHub issues – Propose (1) -> In Review (2) -> Accepted (3) -> JIRA issue (4) -> Prioritize backlog
 - Sprint planning -> Break down -> Development
- Contribute via “Pull requests”
 - Need to define criteria for accepting contributions (Volunteers?)
 - Need repository gate keeper

Wrap Up

Next week:

- Assisted CMSIS-Pack generation of CMake-based projects ([CMSIS-13](#))

July:

- Protecting CMSIS-Pack from malicious tempering (TBD)

August:

- Kick-off development for project creation and maintenance MVP [CMSIS-12](#)

- Actions:

- Next Meeting: Tuesday July 6th 2021, 15:00 – 16:00 (UK)

Thank you

