Getting started with AGL using a Raspberry Pi

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Konsulko Group



- Services company specializing in Embedded Linux and Open Source Software
- Hardware/software build, design, development, and training services
- Based in San Jose, CA with an engineering presence worldwide
- http://konsulko.com/

Agenda



- Brief history of AGL on Raspberry Pi
- Building an AGL image for Raspberry Pi
- Overview of AGL specific features and configurations for Raspberry Pi
- Conclusions
- Q&A

Raspberry Pi



- Series of small single-board computers developed by the Raspberry Pi Foundation
- All models feature a Broadcom system on a chip (SoC) and ARM CPU
- Designed primary to promote teaching of basic computer science but also very popular in the maker community for hobby projects and demonstrations
- Supported by AGL since release Brilliant Blowfish

Automotive Grade Linux (AGL)



- Project of the Linux Foundation
- Open source GNU/Linux automotive distribution with In-Vehicle-Infotainment (IVI)
- Based on the Yocto Project and OpenEmbedded
- Founded in 2014



AGL Raspberry Pi Milestones



- 2015 Mauro Chehab at that time working for Samsung OSG (Open Source Group) ported Tizen based on Yocto/OpenEmbedded to Raspberry Pi 2
- 2016 GENIVI Dev Platform was ported to Raspberry Pi 2
- 2016 AGL was ported to Raspberry Pi 2
- 2016 Support for Raspberry Pi 3 was added in AGL
- 2019 Support for Raspberry Pi 4 was added in AGL

AGL Core Technologies



Qt/QML HMI	HTML5	GStreamer		
Weston with agl-shell-dekstop				
Wayland				
SOTA Updates: OSTree & Aktualizr				
PipeWire		Security		
systemd		AppFW, Cynagora, SMACK		
Linux kernel				

The Yocto Project



- Open source collaborative project of the Linux foundation for creating custom Linux-based systems for embedded devices using the OpenEmbedded Build System
- OpenEmbedded Build System includes BitBake and OpenEmbedded Core
- Poky is a reference distribution of the Yocto Project provided as metadata, without binary files, to bootstrap your own distribution for embedded devices
- Bi-annual release cycle

Yocto/OpenEmbedded Layers in AGL



- poky
- meta-agl
- meta-agl-cluster-demo
- meta-agl-demo
- meta-agl-devel
- Meta-agl-extra
- meta-agl-telematics-demo
- meta-openembedded

- meta-security
- meta-virtualization
- meta-qt5
- meta-updater
- neta-spdxscanner
- meta-clang
- BSP layers: meta-raspberrypi, meta-intel, meta-ti, meta-renesas-rcar-gen3, meta-sancloud, etc.

AGL Releases



- Twice per year release cycle
- Releases are named on fishes
- Latest stable release is Itchy Icefish v9.0.3,
- Next release: Jumping Jellyfish (based on Yocto Project release Dunfell)
- https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/agl-distro/release-notes
- https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/schedule



Building AGL for Raspberry Pi (1/2)



Prepare Repo Tool:

```
mkdir -p \sim/bin
export PATH=\sim/bin:$PATH
curl https://storage.googleapis.com/git-repo-downloads/repo > \sim/bin/repo
chmod a+x \sim/bin/repo
```

Download source code:

```
mkdir agl-rpi
cd agl-rpi
repo init -b master -u https://gerrit.automotivelinux.org/gerrit/AGL/AGL-repo
repo sync
```

Building AGL for Raspberry Pi (2/2)



Set up build environment:

source meta-agl/scripts/aglsetup.sh -m raspberrypi4 agl-demo agl-appfw-smack

Launch the build process:

bitbake agl-demo-platform

 The build from scratch takes a significant amount of the time depending on your Internet connection speed and the hardware capabilities of the build machine

AGL Features and Raspberry Pi Models



Supported Raspberry Pi models in the AGL master as of the moment:

raspberrypi4 raspberrypi3

AGL features:

agl-demo agl-appfw-smack agl-sota agl-netboot

source meta-agl/scripts/aglsetup.sh -h

Flashing the Image on MicroSD Card



- Output Image location in build machine for Raspberry Pi 4:
 - tmp/deploy/images/raspberrypi4-64/agl-demo-platform-raspberrypi4-64.wic.xz
- Extract the wic.xz and flash it on a microSD card
 - sudo umount [sdcard device]
 xzcat [output image] | sudo dd of=[sdcard device] bs=4M status=progress
 sync
- Plug the microSD card in the Raspberry Pi and turn in on (the first boot of AGL takes a bit longer)

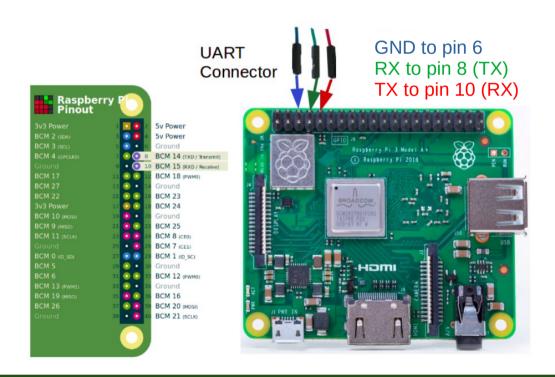
Common AGL Images



- agl-demo-platform
- agl-image-ivi base for IVI targets
- Agl-cluster-demo-platform cluster demo image
- agl-image-boot just enough to boot
- agl-image-minimal minimal filesystem with APIs
- agl-image-weston minimal filesystem with Wayland and Weston

UART to USB for Serial Output





Booting the image



Serial output from AGL on Raspberry Pi 4:

Automotive Grade Linux 9.90.0+snapshot raspberrypi4-64 ttyS0

raspberrypi4-64 login: root raspberrypi4-64:~# uname -a Linux raspberrypi4-64 4.19.115-v8 #1 SMP PREEMPT Tue Mar 10 00:00:00 UTC 2020 aarch64 aarch64 GNU/Linux

Serial baud rate: 115200

AGL on Raspberry Pi 4 Screenshots









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Weston on AGL



Supported Raspberry Pi Peripherals in AGL



- HDMI monitors
- Raspberry Pi official 7" touchscreen display
- WiFi
- Bluetooth
- Various 3rd party add-on boards and HATs

Yocto Project Releases



Codename	Version	Release Date	Support Level
Gatesgarth	3.2	Oct 2020	Dreaming
Dunfell	3.1	April 2020	Long Term Stable
Zeus	3.0	October 2019	Stable
Warrior	2.7	April 2019	Stable
Thud	2.6	Nov 2018	Stable
Sumo	2.5	April 2018	Community
Rocko	2.4	Oct 2017	Community

AGL Repo Manifests



As of today default.xml is based on Yocto release Dunfell:

 Use other manifest from AGL/AGL-repo for a specific AGL release: icefish 9.0.0.xml, halibut 8.0.6.xml, guppy 7.0.4.xml, etc.

meta-raspberrypi



- General Yocto/OpenEmbedded Board Support Package (BSP) layer for the Raspberry Pi boards
- Depends on layers from meta-openembedded: meta-oe, meta-multimedia, meta-networking, meta-python
- Provides specific variables as knobs to enable/disable hardware specific features: ENABLE_I2C, ENABLE_SPI_BUS, RPI_USE_U_BOOT, ENABLE_UART, etc.
- For AGL VC4DTBO must be set to vc4-fkms-v3d to support Wayland, Weston and the apps on both HDMI and the official Raspberry Pi 7" touch screen display

meta-raspberrypi



- New features and bug fixes are accepted as GitHub pull requests: https://github.com/agherzan/meta-raspberrypi
- Maintained by Andrei Gherzan with more than 90 contributors
- Documentation: https://readthedocs.org/projects/meta-raspberrypi/

meta-raspberrypi in AGL



- Script meta-agl/scripts/aglsetup.sh for Raspberry Pi initializes the build environment with conf/local.conf and conf/bblayers.conf
- Yocto/OE layer meta-agl/meta-agl-bsp contains sub-layers with AGL hardware specific configurations
- Configurations from conf/include/agl_raspberrypi4.inc or conf/include/agl_raspberrypi3.inc are automatically included in conf/local.conf depending on the targeted Raspberry Pi model

AGL on Raspberry Pi



- Uses U-Boot as a bootloader
- GPU memory is set to 256MB
- UART is enabled
- Includes kernel modules
- Includes WiFi and Bluetooth firmware

Firmware KMS



- To support both HDMI monitors and the 7" official Raspberry Pi touchscreen display, AGL for Raspberry Pi uses firmware KMS instead of full KMS.
- Appropriate Linux kernel version, mesa with VC4 support and binary firmware in bcm2835-bootfiles is required
- Variable VC4DTBO must be set to vc4-fkms-v3d to set appropriate device tree overlay in config.txt while building AGL for Raspberry Pi:

VC4DTBO ?= "vc4-fkms-v3d"

For more details: https://jira.automotivelinux.org/browse/SPEC-2465

Software Over the Air (SOTA) Updates



- The agl-sota feature enables support for software over the air (SOTA) updates in AGL images
- Libostree (OSTree) and Aktualizr provide a "git-like" model for committing, downloading and automated provisioning of bootable filesystem trees to a fleet of vehicles
- Yocto/OE layers meta-updater and meta-updater-raspberrypi provide the SOTA implementation for AGL on Raspberry Pi
- For more details:

https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/subsystem/agl-sota/ostree https://docs.ota.here.com/getstarted/dev/raspberry-pi.html

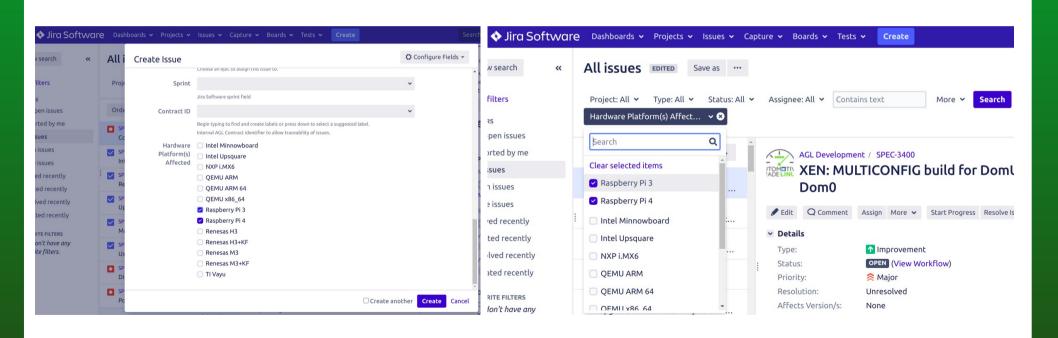
AGL Developer Tools



- Git & Repo
- Gerrit https://gerrit.automotivelinux.org/
- GitHub https://github.com/automotive-grade-linux
- JIRA https://jira.automotivelinux.org/
- Wiki https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/
- Documentation https://docs.automotivelinux.org/
- Jenkins for CI and Lava + Fuego for running test

AGL JIRA





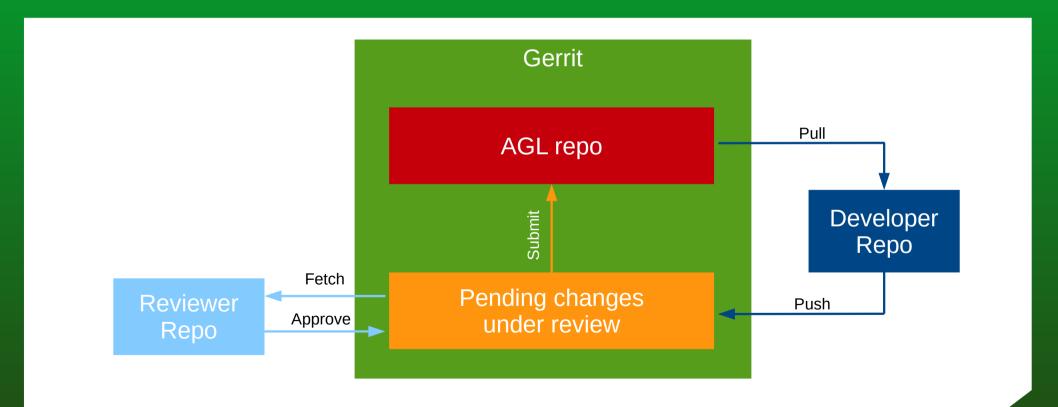
Contributing to AGL



- Report an issue or a new feature in JIRA
- Modify the source code
- Include references to the JIRA issue in the Git commit messages
- Contribute to the upstream following the AGL Gerrit workflow

AGL Gerrit

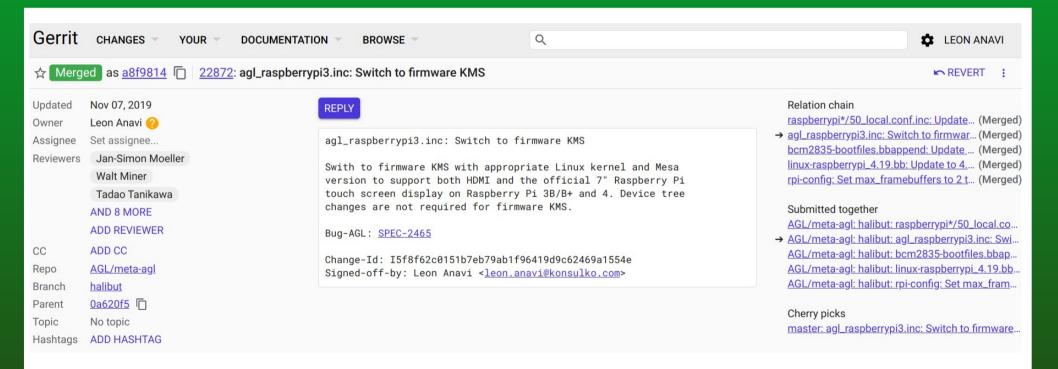




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Merged Change in AGL Gerrit





AGL Communication Channels



- AGL mailing list https://lists.automotivelinux.org/g/agl-main
- Weekly Developer Call (Tuesday 14:00 - 15:00 UTC) https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/dev-call-info
- IRC channel #automotive on freenode.net

Conclusion



- Raspberry Pi is a community supported hardware platform compatible with AGL that is useful for getting started and proof of concept demonstrations
- It is recommended to use AGL with Raspberry Pi 4 B with 4 or 8GB RAM
- Be part of the Automotive Grade Linux community by contributing bug fixes and/or new features, testing and/or updating the documentation of the project

Thank You!





Useful links:

- https://www.automotivelinux.org/
- https://docs.automotivelinux.org/
- https://docs.automotivelinux.org/docs/en/master/ getting_started/reference/getting-started/machines/ raspberrypi.html
- https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/agl-distro/agl-raspberrypi
- Pre-built binary images: https://wiki.automotivelinux.org/agl-distro? &#supported_hardware