

Single User Secure Shell Tutorial

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Introduction

Who am I?

- Ph.D. in Mathematical Physics (long time ago)
- Webgroup Consulting AG (now)
- IT Consulting Open Source, Security, Perl
- FreeBSD since version 1.0
- Traveling, Sculpting, Go

Schedule for the day

- Part 1
Overview SW and HW for small systems
- Part 2
The single user secure shell explained
- Part 3
The maintenance RAMdisk in action
- Part 4 (afternoon)
You install and use the maintenance RAMdisk on your own systems

FreeBSD for Small HW

Many choices!

– Too many?

- PicoBSD
- miniBSD
- m0n0wall
- Freesbie Live CD
- NanoBSD
- STYX.



PicoBSD

- Initial import into src/release/picobsd/ in 1998 by Andrzej Bialecki <abial@freebsd.org>
- Geared towards floppy-based systems
- man picobsd(8):

“Building picobsd is still a black art. The biggest problem is determining what will fit on the floppies, and the only practical method is trial and error”

- “Small FreeBSD Home Page”
 - <http://people.freebsd.org/~picobsd/>
 - (still) a good starting point for small systems!

miniBSD

- Manuel Kasper's <mk@neon1.net> precursor to m0n0wall in 2002 for FreeBSD 4.x:
`https://neon1.net/misc/minibsd.html`
- David Courtney <minibsd@ultradesic.com> in 2005 for 5.x:
`www.ultradesic.com/index.php?section=86`
- Cookbooks on how to whittle down the FreeBSD base system using a chroot environment
- A few utility scripts (for example, to find shared object dependancies)



- Full-fledged firewall based on m0n0BSD, a stripped down 4.x-based FreeBSD for CF
- Configuration via a PHP web GUI, and stored as one big XML file (!)
- Very much “end-user” oriented
- Distributed mainly as CF images for PC-Engines and Soekris platforms
- <http://m0n0.ch/wall/>
2003-2005 Manuel Kasper <mk@neonl.net>



FreeSBIE

FreeBSD LiveCD

- By Italian FreeBSD User Group in 2004-2005
(Gruppo Utenti FreeBSD Italia, www.gufi.org):
Davide D'Amico <dave@FreeSBIE.org>
Dario Freni <saturnero@FreeSBIE.org>
Massimiliano Stucchi <stucchi@FreeSBIE.org>
- Currently 5.3-based
- Appears to be “Knoppix” inspired
- Not really small, but a good RAMdisk model to study
- www.freesbie.org

NanoBSD

- In tree since 2004 src/tools/tools/nanobsd by Poul-Henning Kamp <phk@freebsd.org>

“Nanobsd should make it very simple for people to create (CF-)disk images for embedded use of FreeBSD”

- Rewrite from Makefile to Shell Script in 2005 (see talk by PHK at this conference)
- Geared to 256MB CF, with up to three partitions “live”, “fallback”, and “config”
- CF geometry needs to be specified case-by-case because fdisk is done on vnode device



- A remote managed firewall service since 1998 by Adrian Steinmann <ast@styx.ch>
- Customers have a mainly-read-only web GUI for status of their “firewall appliance”
- Remote administration via SSH cmd-line
Revision control: www.webgroup.ch/pi
- Remote OS upgrades via Secure Shell
maintenance RAMdisk
- Tracks FreeBSD since 3.x, runs on 6.x

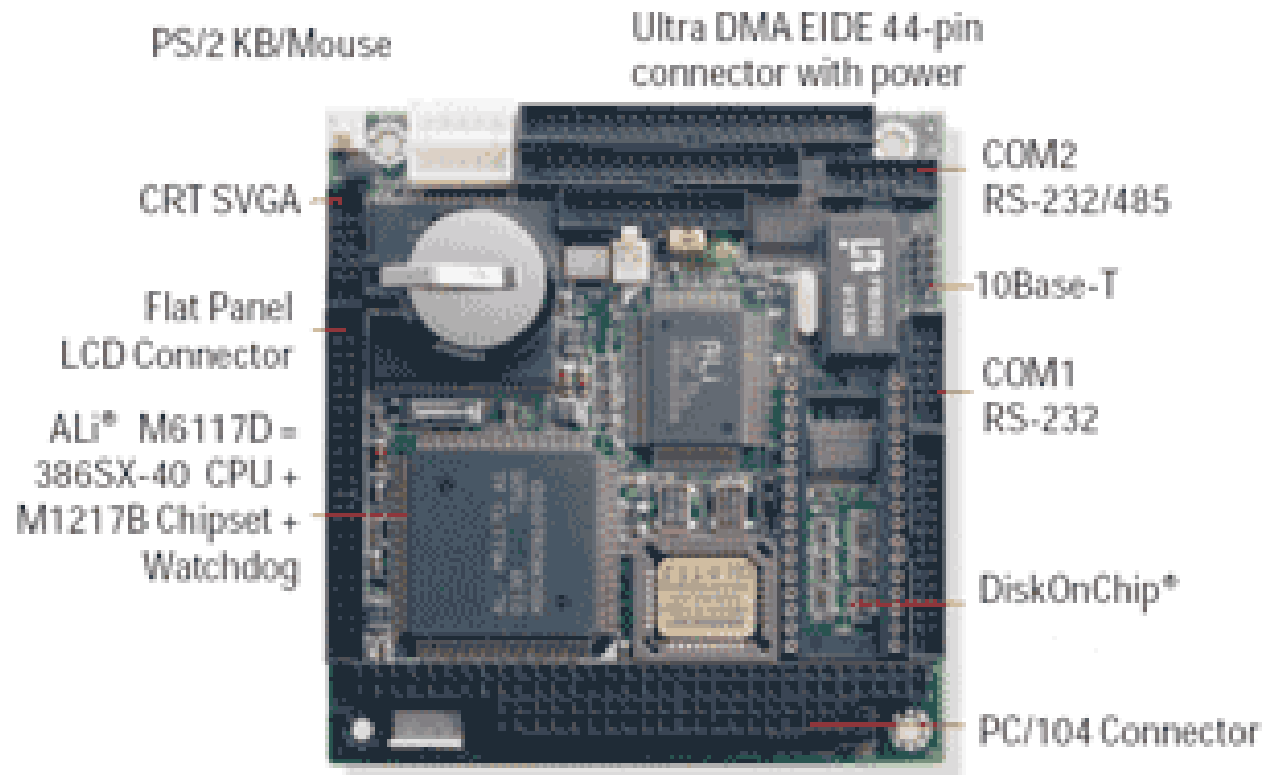
Small SW calls for small HW

- Look for “Embedded Systems”
— albeit a misnomer
- What is PC/I04 based HW?
- Advantages and disadvantages
of PC/I04 based systems

What is PC/104 ?

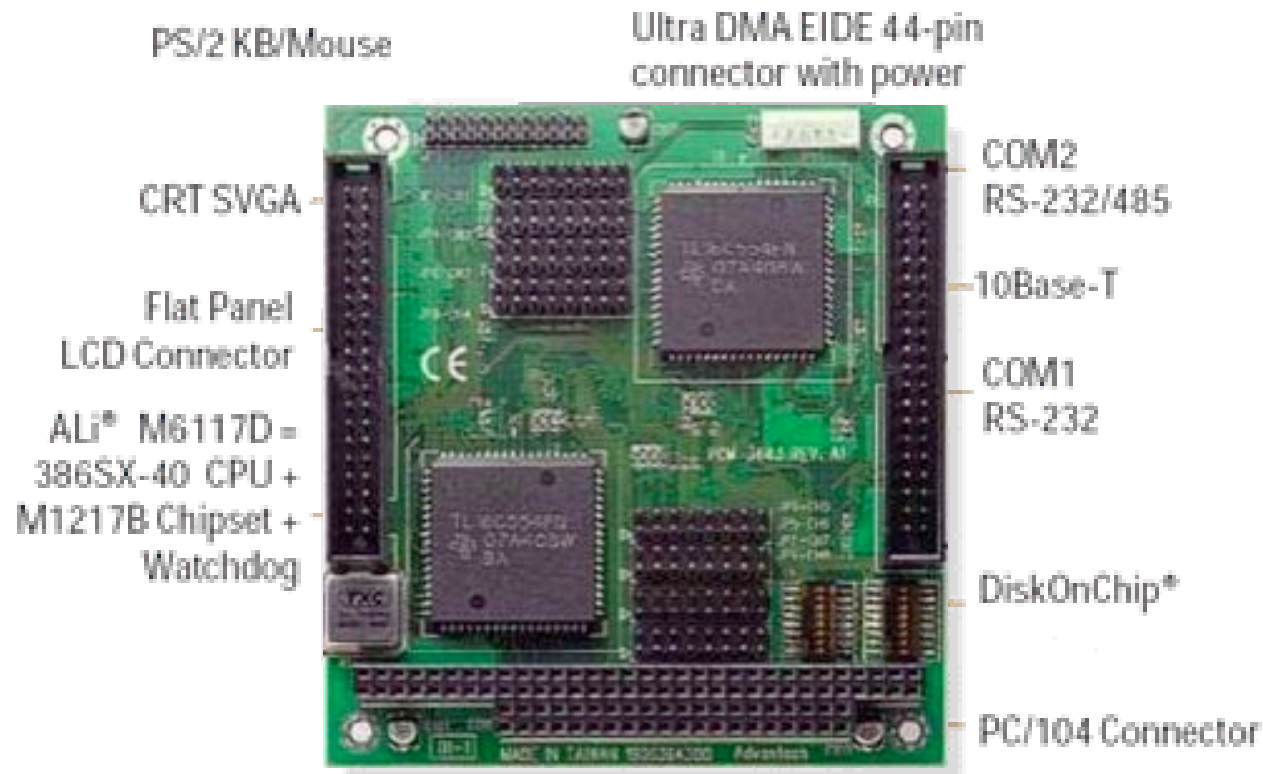
- PC/104 is simply an ISA bus in another, more compact and versatile form factor
- The bus doubles as the structural backbone for the system
- Some good starting points:
 - www.controlled.com/pc104faq/
 - www.pc104.com/whatis.html

Example PC/I04 CPU module



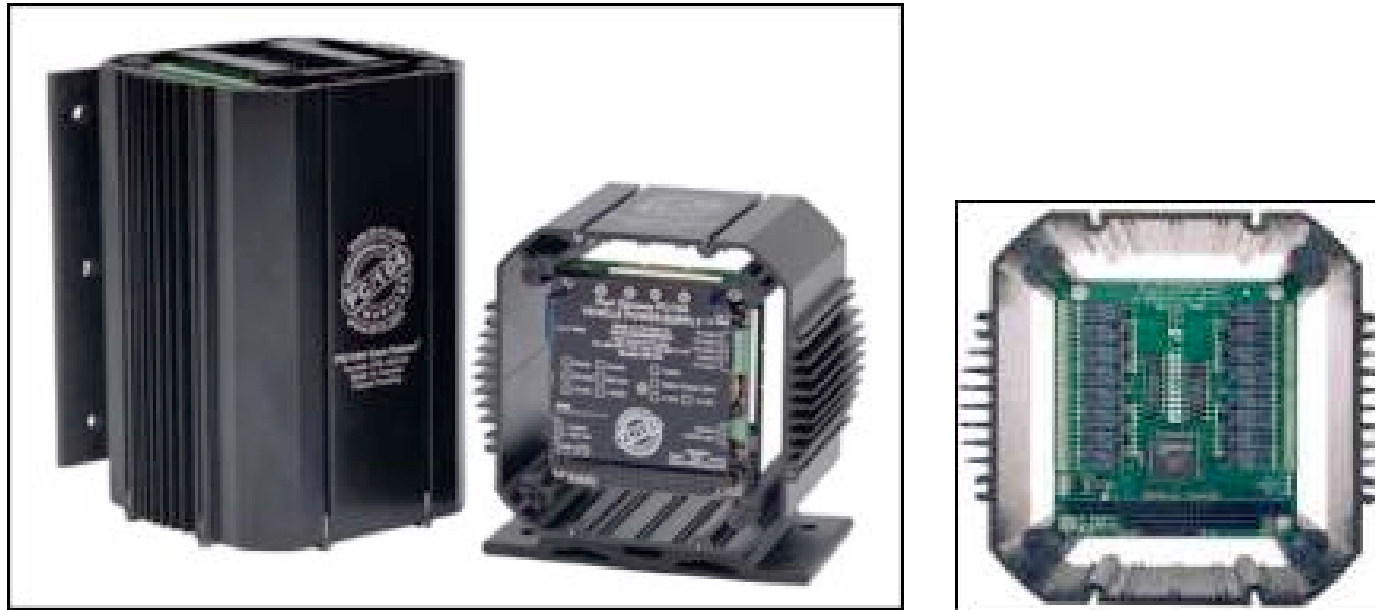
3.78" x 3.54" (96mm x 90mm) PC/I04 CPU Module with Embedded FANLESS 386 class ALI M6117D 40 MHz CPU, ALI 5113 chipset, 4 MB EDO RAM, LCD/CRT/TFT/DSTN/VGA, ATA 33, Realtek 8019AS 10 Mbps LAN, 16-bit GPIO and DOC interfaces

Example PC/104 CPU module and peripheral module



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PC/104 “Stacks”



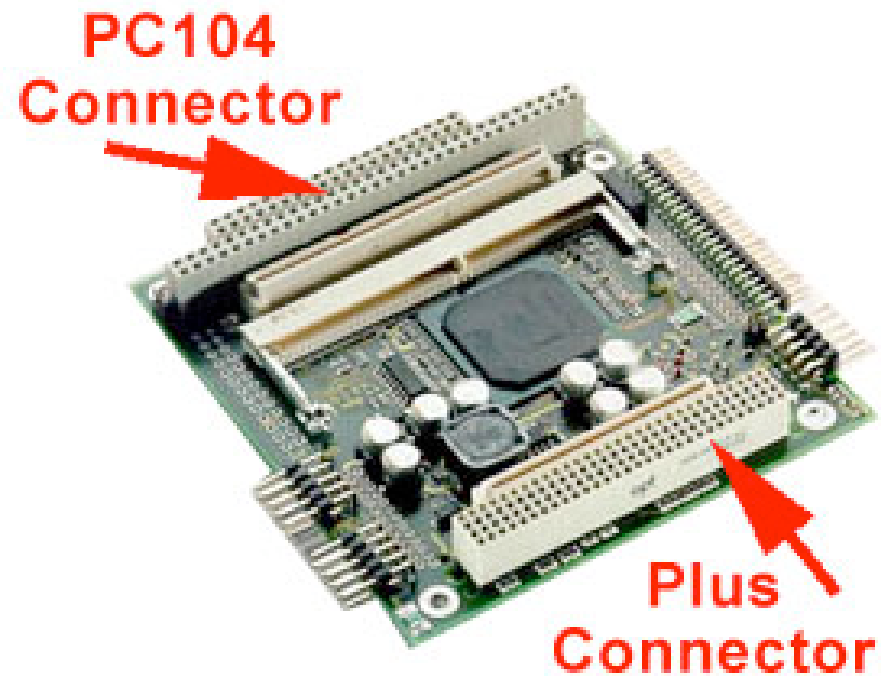
Tri-M Systems PC/104 CAN-TAINER™
PC/104 Container Designed For Hostile Environments

“Priced for Everyday Use”
(if you’re millionaire, that is)

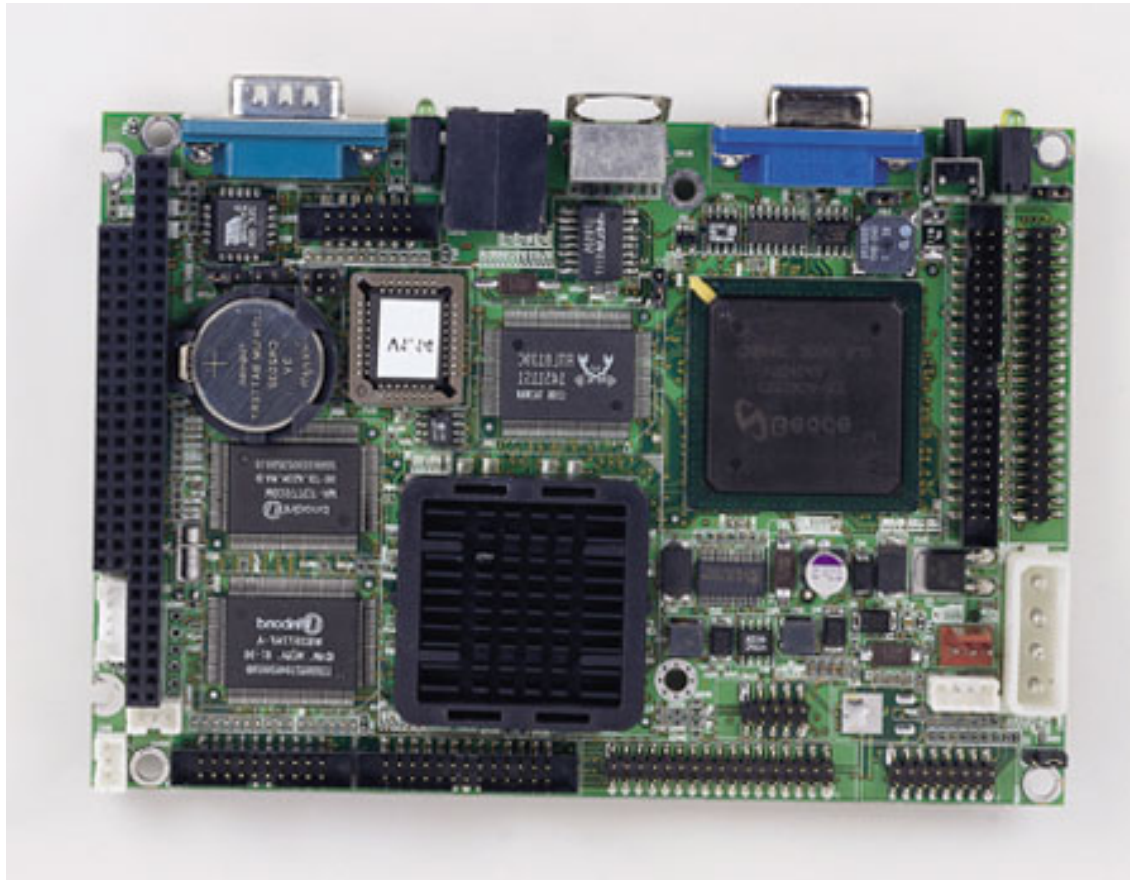
<http://www.dpie.com/pc104/cantainer.html>

PC-104 vs PC-104+

- PC-104+ is the PCI bus version of PC/104
- Additional connector (PC/104 - compatible)
- But the modules are often quite expensive!



Single Board Computers (SBC) 3.5 inch “Bisquit PCs”



Advantech's PCM-5825: 3.5" SBC with an on-board 586-class NS GX-300 processor
VGA/LCD, Audio, CF socket, PC/104 sockets and Intel 10/100 Mbps Ethernet (fxp0)

Advantech, iEi, ... PCM-58xx

- NS Geode 200MHz-300MHz
- “Passive” cooling
- AT kbd, VGA/LCD, 2-4 COMs, [Audio]
- ATA HD support
- 1-2 Ethernet [Realtek or Intel]
- PC/104 socket, [USB]
- Example sources:
www.advantech.com
www.ieiworld.com

Advantages of PC-104 based HW

- Supports the standard PC components:
i.e. Keyboard, Video, Floppies, and ATA HDs
- Usually without fans (Low Power CPUs,
passive cooling)
- Lots of PC/104 boards available
FreeBSD ISA device drivers usually work
- Well established in industrial environment

A small, silent PC!

Some disadvantages of most PC/104 based HW

- Has PC Keyboard and Video (cost, security)
- “Passive” cooling may really not be enough
- ISA devices are becoming legacy
- Are still expensive although only i486-like
- ... and Geode ATA DMA falls back to PIO

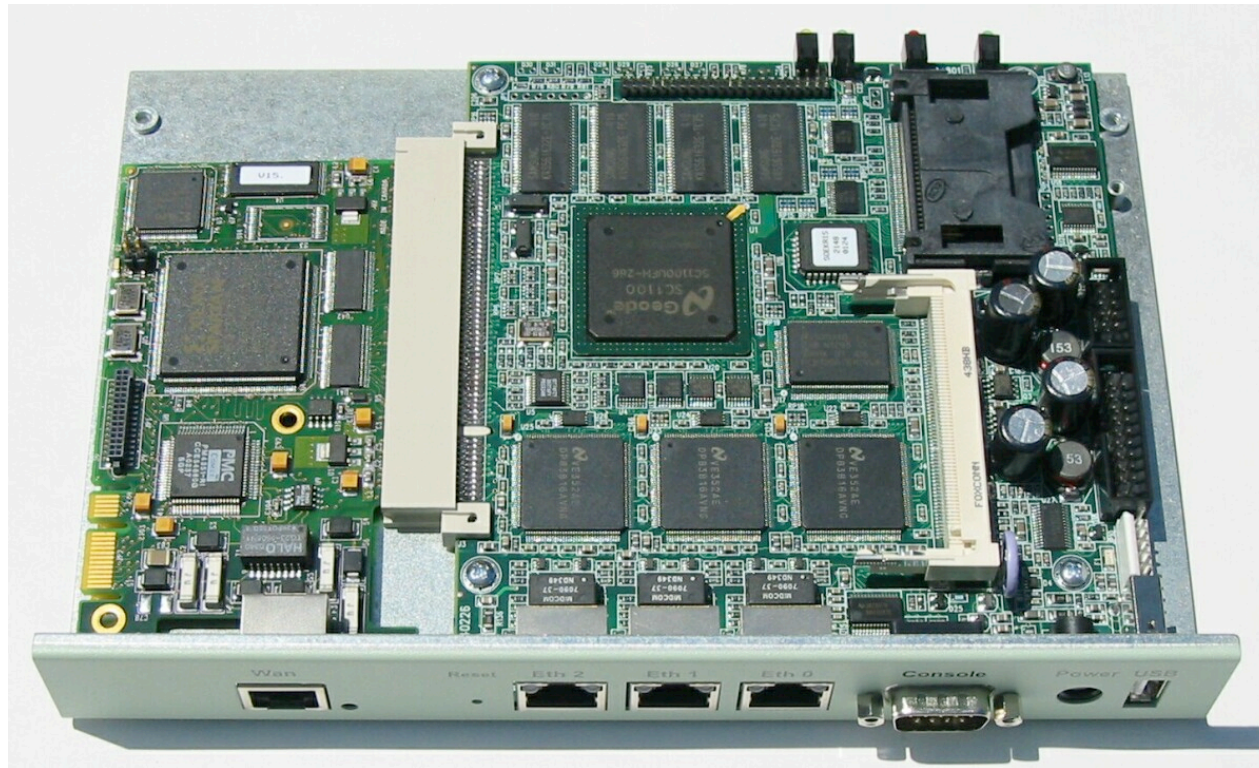
Yesterday's PeeCee

Today's Alternatives

- No PC keyboard, video, floppy
- Not “passive” cooling – NO cooling needed!
- Systems have CF socket
- Support PCI or mini-PCI yet cost significantly less than PC/I04+
- “Cool”

**Affordable and reliable
HW for Open Source OSs**

Soekris: www.soekris.com

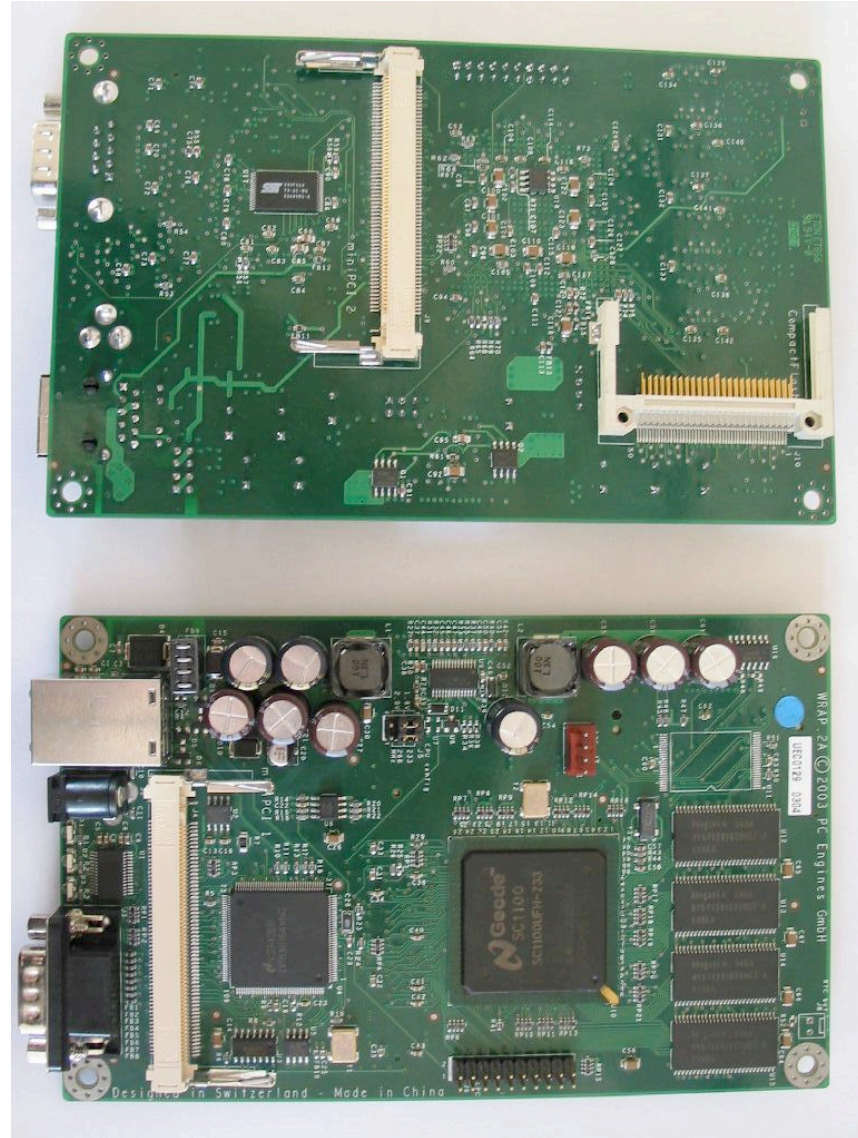


NET4801

NSC SCI 100 266 Mhz CPU, 128 Mbyte SDRAM, 3 Ethernet, 2 serial
USB connector, CF socket, 44 pins IDE connector,
Mini-PCI socket, 3.3V PCI connector
here with Sangoma A101u E1/T1 PCI interface board

PC Engines: www.pcengines.ch

WRAP.2C
AMD Geode
SCI 1100 266 MHz
128MB SDRAM
1 serial, 1 Ethernet,
CF socket
2 Mini-PCI sockets



Serial BIOS parameters for PC Engines and Soekris

- PC Engines factory default parameters

38400 8N1

Type “S” at power-on for BIOS

- Soekris factory default parameters

19200 8N1

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What's different in userland

- Serial console:

```
$ cat /boot.config  
-h
```

- No AT Keyboard, no video

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hint.sio.1.disabled="1"  
hint.fdc.0.disabled="1"  
hint.pcic.0.disabled="1"  
hint.ppc.0.disabled="1"  
hint.ata.1.disabled="1"  
hint.ata.ata_dma="0"
```

Installing without CD drive, video, keyboard

- Installation via PXE netboot?
BIOS and NIC needs to support Intel® PXE support
“FreeBSD Jumpstart Guide”:

http://people.freebsd.org/~alfred/pxe/en_US.ISO8859-1/articles/pxe/article.html

- Install and setup FreeBSD on (laptop) harddisk on another system, then install on target system
- Essential for systems which only have CF:
PCCard or USB adapter to initialize CF via laptop

Compact Flash (CF)

- Most are good for a million write/erase cycles
www.robgalbraith.com/bins/multi_page.asp?cid=6007
- Superblocks of filesystems get written (saved) often, so a million writes is still not enough!
- Mount CF read-only, easy:
 - touch /etc/diskless
 - /conf/base/... for /etc/rc.initdiskless

RAMdisks

mdmfs(8)

```
mkdir /foo
```

```
mdmfs -X -s 32m md /foo
```

```
umount /foo  
mdconfig -d -u #  
rm -rf /foo
```

mdconfig(8)

```
dd if=/dev/zero of=bar bs=1k count=5k
```

```
mdconfig -a -t vnode -f bar
```

```
bsdlabel -w md# auto
```

```
newfs md#a
```

```
mkdir /bar
```

```
mount /dev/md#a /bar
```

```
umount /bar  
mdconfig -d -u #  
rm -rf /bar bar
```

Kernel tuning GEODE and “SOEKRIS”

For Geode CPUs

options CPU_GEODE

options CPU_SOEKRIS

- Creates watchdog device (`/dev/fido`) on Advantech, PC Engines, and Soekris
- Creates LED devices (`/dev/led/*`) on PC Engines and Soekris

– see `/usr/src/sys/i386/i386/geode.c`

Kernel tuning for AMD ELAN 520 CPU

- For ELAN CPUs
`options CPU_ELAN`
enables watchdog and LED (on Soekris net4501)
– see `man CPU_ELAN(4)`, `led(4)` and
`src/sys/i386/i386/elan-mmcr.c`
- For timestamping external signals and
attaching an LCD display on GPIO Soekris
<http://phk.freebsd.dk/soekris/>

Summary Part I

- FreeBSD for small platforms:
Decide between tools or an all-in-one distribution
- Small Hardware:
Look for embedded systems, fanless systems, and don't be afraid of PC/104 - it's just an ISA bus
- Serial consoles, RAMdisks, and read-only filesystems are your friends
- Build custom kernels on a fast "build" system to take full advantage of HW features

Outlook Part II

- i. A closer look at how FreeBSD boots/installs
the install CD
the boot sequence
building crunched binaries
- ii. The missing bits needed for building a networked
maintenance RAMdisk (Single User Secure Shell)
- iii. Some details of building and installing the
maintenance RAMdisk (time permitting)
- iv. Using the “Single User Secure Shell”
to install/upgrade OS (demonstration)

Tutorial sets

- Set includes: PC Engine WRAP.IE-2 (3 LAN / 1 miniPCI / 128 MB DRAM), 128MB CF, Nullmodem serial cable, RJ45 crossover patch cable, 14VA power brick, and enclosure (red, alu, or black)
- Preorders can all be fulfilled (there are a few left)
- Most sets are preassembled, people who pre-ordered 2 sets get one unassembled
- People who really want to assemble their own set, must populate the CF first (and will need tools)
`/cdrom/6.0-STYX/EuroBSD05Tutorial/stagecf.sh`
- Tutorial price is 140 Euro or 230 CHF in cash
- ITGarage is selling WiFi Upgrade options at conference

Booting FreeBSD

`www.FreeBSD.org/doc/en_US.ISO8859-1/books/handbook/boot.html`

`www.freebsd.org/doc/en_US.ISO8859-1/books/arch-handbook/boot.html`

- i. BIOS POST “executes” mbr, boot0, or boot0sio, or ...

```
F1, 'no operating system on disk', F1-loop, ...      fdisk -B|-b
                                                    boot0cfg
```

- ii. boot2 loads /boot/loader from active BIOS partition

```
>>FreeBSD/i386 BOOT                                bsdlabel -B
Default: 1:ad(1,a)/boot/loader
boot:
```

- iii. loader sets kernel environment, loads kernel and modules
and boots FreeBSD

```
BTX loader 1.0 BTX version is 1.01
```

```
...
```

```
Hit [Enter] to boot immediately, or any other key ...
```

```
OK
```

/boot/loader

- help
- show
- set
- ls
- more
- 1000 ms
- words

FreeBSD Install CD

```
$ cat /cdrom/boot/loader.conf
mfsroot_load="YES"
mfsroot_type="mfs_root"
mfsroot_name="/boot/mfsroot"
loader_logo="beastie"
```

```
$ zcat /cdrom/boot/mfsroot > /tmp/m
# mdconfig -a -t vnode -f /tmp/m
md0
# mount /dev/md0 /mnt
$ ls -isl /mnt/stand
$ ldd /mnt/stand/*
```

crunchgen

Makes one statically linked binary for a set of programs (/rescue)

Toy example

- i. **crunchgen pls.conf** `srcdirs /usr/src/bin`
 `progs ls`
- ii. **make -f pls.mk** `libs -lcurses -lutil`
 `progs ps`
 `libs -lm -lkvm`
- iii. **./pls**

Compare sizes of **/bin/ps**, **/bin/ls**, **./pls**

A straightforward plan

- i. Use crunchgen to combine all commands into one “static” binary
- ii. Craft a RAMdisk filesystem image which configures network and starts SSH daemon
- iii. Use the boot loader to preload the RAMdisk
- iv. Either mount it as the root filesystem for maintenance ...
- v. ... or mount it very early from a startup script to check filesystem integrity

Yet not so easy, because

- We specifically want some programs on RAMdisk which turn out to be *crunchgen-unfriendly*:
 - SSH doesn't crunch "out of the box"
 - By default, SSH links in far too many libraries
 - Programs based on GEOM classes require the runtime loader
- Network parameters should be text-file editable, and the RAMdisk md_image should stay generic

Crunching SSHD fails

- This `crunchgen.conf` fragment fails:

```
buildopts -DNO_KERBEROS
```

```
buildopts -DNO_PAM
```

```
srcdirs /usr/src/secure/usr.bin
```

```
srcdirs /usr/src/secure/usr.sbin
```

```
progs scp ssh sshd
```

```
libs -lssh -lutil -lz -lcrypt
```

```
libs -lcrypto -lmd
```

link phase wants `libwrap.a` and `libpam.a` routines

Crunching SSHD fixed

- Change hard-coded `#defines` directly in

`/usr/src/crypto/openssh/config.h`

```
#undef LIBWRAP
#undef USE_PAM
#undef HAVE_LIBPAM
#undef HAVE_PAM_GETENVLIST
#undef HAVE_SECURITY_PAM_APPL_H
#undef XAUTH_PATH
```

GEOM uses dlopen()

The GEOM commands use `dlopen()` to load classes from `/lib/geom` dynamically

`geom(8)`, `gconcat(8)`, `glabel(8)`,
`gmirror(8)`, `gnop(8)`, `graid3(8)`,
`gshsec(8)`, `gstripe(8)`

... yet it is exactly these commands – among others – that we need most in a maintenance environment!

“Mostly static” linking

Include `rtld(1)` in RAMdisk:

```
/libexec/ld-elf.so.1
```

then, for GEOM classes link dynamically:

```
ldd /lib/geom/*.so
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_concat.so
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_eli.so
```

```
libmd.so.3 => /lib/libmd.so.3 (0x2815a000)
```

```
libcrypto.so.4 => /lib/libcrypto.so.4 (0x28168000)
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_label.so
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_mirror.so
```

```
libmd.so.3 => /lib/libmd.so.3 (0x28155000)
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_nop.so
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_raid3.so
```

```
libmd.so.3 => /lib/libmd.so.3 (0x28154000)
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_shsec.so
```

```
/lib/geom/geom_stripe.so
```

crunchgen with a twist

- Linking “mostly static” is for now mentioned in **crunchgen.conf** as a comment:

```
# LIBS_SO
    -lmd -lcrypto -lgeom -lsbuf -lbsdxml
```

- Before running make, the **crunchgen.mk** is fixed by replacing all `$(CC) -static ...`

```
with    $(CC) -Xlinker -Bstatic ...
        -Xlinker -Bdynamic $LIBS_SO
```

What's on the RAMdisk ?

```
-sh  
[      du      mkdir  
  
sh  
sleep  
  
expr  
  
hostname  
  
stty  
  
cat  
chflags      mv  
chgrp  
chmod  
chown  
chroot  
  
kill  
  
ps  
pwd  
  
test  
touch  
tset  
  
cp  
date  
  
realpath  
  
df      link  
ln  
ls  
  
rm  
rmdir  
  
unlink
```

Basics on RAMdisk

```
-sh  
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    kenv  
    kill  
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    touch  
    tset  
    cp  
    date  
    ldconfig  
    realpath  
    df  
    link  
    ln  
    ls  
    rm  
    rmdir  
    unlink
```


SysAdmin on RAMdisk

```
atacontrol
badsect
boot0cfg
bsdlabel

dumpfs

fastboot
fasthalt
fdisk
ffsinfo
fsck
fsck_4.2bsd
fsck_ffs
fsck_ufs

halt

kldconfig
kldload
kldstat
kldunload

mdconfig
mdmfs

mknod
mount
mount_cd9660
mount_devfs
mount_fdscfs
mount_linprocfs

mount_procfs
mount_std

newfs

swapctl
swapoff
swapon
sync
sysctl

clri

dd

reboot

tunefs
umount

diskinfo
disklabel
```

Networking on RAMdisk

`route`

`ifconfig`

`ping`

`dhclient`
`dhclient-script`

More networking RAMdisk

```
route
scp

slogin
ssh
sshd

mount_nfs

ifconfig

ipf
ipfw

pfctl
ping

ggatec
ggated
ggatel

dhclient
dhclient-script
```

Archiving tools on RAMdisk

dump

rrestore

gunzip
gzcat
gzip

bunzip2
bzcac
bzip2

pax

tar

rdump

restore

zcat

Editors on the RAMdisk

ed
ex

sed

red

and last but not least ...

Requires a (small) `/usr/share/misc/termcap`

Only 5306 bytes (not 204798 bytes!) supporting
`vt100, vt220, xterm, screen, ansi, AT386`

Being on RAMdisk, the required `/var/tmp` exists

vi

Maintenance RAMdisk

-sh	dmesg	graid3	mini_crunch	route
[du	growfs	mkdir	rrestore
atacontrol	dump	gshsec	mknod	scp
badsect	dumpfs	gstripe	mount	sed
boot0cfg	ed	gunzip	mount_cd9660	sh
bsdlabel	ex	gzcat	mount_devfs	sleep
bunzip2	expr	gzip	mount_fdscfs	slogin
bzcat	fastboot	halt	mount_linprocfs	ssh
bzip2	fasthalt	hostname	mount_nfs	sshd
camcontrol	fdisk	ifconfig	mount_procfs	stty
cat	ffsinfo	init	mount_std	styxinstall
chflags	fsck	ipf	mv	swapctl
chgrp	fsck_4.2bsd	ipfw	newfs	swapoff
chmod	fsck_ffs	kenv	pax	swapon
chown	fsck_ufs	kill	pfctl	sync
chroot	gbde	kldconfig	ping	sysctl
clri	gconcat	kldload	ps	tar
cp	geli	kldstat	pwd	test
date	geom	kldunload	rdump	touch
dd	ggatec	ldconfig	realpath	tset
df	ggated	link	reboot	tunefs
dhclient	ggatel	ln	red	umount
dhclient-script	glabel	ls	restore	unlink
diskinfo	gmirror	mdconfig	rm	vi
disklabel	gnop	mdmfs	rmdir	zcat

RAMdisk disk usage 5MB

```
$ du -sk .
5186 .

$ du -sk * | sort -rn
2682 bin
2218 lib
136 libexec
78 etc
26 boot
22 usr
12 var
6 root
2 mnt
2 dev
0 tmp
0 sbin
```


On-disk 2.5 MB

- The boot loader is able to preload *gzip-compressed* RAMdisk images
- Additional on-disk (CF) usage is minimal

```
$ du -ks fs.6.0-RAMdisk.gz  
2352      fs.6.0-RAMdisk.gz
```

On-disk 2.5 MB / RAM 7MB

- The boot loader is able to preload *gzip-compressed* RAMdisk images
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```
$ du -ks fs.6.0-RAMdisk.gz
2352      fs.6.0-RAMdisk.gz
```
- In RAM currently defined as 7MB md0

```
# mdconfig -l -u 0
md0      preload  7.0M
```

RAMdisk versus /rescue

Additional on RAMdisk (today)

<code>boot0cfg</code>	<code>geli</code>	<code>gnop</code>	<code>scp</code>	<code>swapctl</code>
<code>chgrp</code>	<code>geom</code>	<code>graid3</code>	<code>sed</code>	<code>swapoff</code>
<code>chown</code>	<code>ggatec</code>	<code>growfs</code>	<code>sleep</code>	<code>touch</code>
<code>diskinfo</code>	<code>ggated</code>	<code>gshsec</code>	<code>slogin</code>	<code>tset</code>
<code>du</code>	<code>ggatel</code>	<code>gstripe</code>	<code>ssh</code>	
<code>ffsinfo</code>	<code>glabel</code>	<code>ipfw</code>	<code>sshd</code>	
<code>gconcat</code>	<code>gmirror</code>	<code>pfctl</code>	<code>styxinstall</code>	

Additional in /rescue (6.x)

<code>atm</code>	<code>fsdb</code>	<code>md5</code>	<code>nos-tun</code>	<code>setfacl</code>
<code>atmconfig</code>	<code>fsirand</code>	<code>mount_ext2fs</code>	<code>ping6</code>	<code>slattach</code>
<code>ccdconfig</code>	<code>getfacl</code>	<code>mount_msdosfs</code>	<code>raidctl</code>	<code>spppcontrol</code>
<code>chio</code>	<code>groups</code>	<code>mount_ntfs</code>	<code>rcorder</code>	<code>startslip</code>
<code>csh</code>	<code>id</code>	<code>mount_nullfs</code>	<code>rcp</code>	<code>tcsd</code>
<code>devfs</code>	<code>ilmid</code>	<code>mount_udf</code>	<code>routed</code>	<code>vinum</code>
<code>dumpon</code>	<code>ipfs</code>	<code>mount_umapfs</code>	<code>rtquery</code>	<code>whoami</code>
<code>echo</code>	<code>ipfstat</code>	<code>mount_unionfs</code>	<code>rtsol</code>	
<code>fore_dnld</code>	<code>ipmon</code>	<code>newfs_msdos</code>	<code>savecore</code>	
<code>fsck_msdosfs</code>	<code>ipnat</code>	<code>nextboot.sh</code>	<code>sconfig</code>	

The RAMdisk personality

- The compressed RAMdisk image stays generic
- The key idea is to pass all machine-specific parameters via the kernel environment `kenv(1)`
- These can be set in a `/boot/maint/params` file which is an editable textfile and is included by the loader
- Those values are read back into RAMdisk user space via `kenv(1)` calls

Example personality

```
OK more /boot/maint/params
*** FILE /boot/maint/params BEGIN ***
set maint.ifconfig_sis0="192.168.1.200/24"
set maint.defaultrouter="192.168.1.1"
set maint.domain="mydomain.ch"
set maint.nameservers="192.168.1.1 192.168.1.100"
set maint.sshkey_01a="ssh-dss AAAAB3N.....cZ9"
set maint.sshkey_01b="ucifE5QoUN..(120 chars)..PYik"
...
*** FILE /boot/maint/params END ***

RAMdisk# sed -ne /kenv/p /etc/rc
kenv | sed -ne 's/^maint\.//p' >> /etc/params
```

One way into RAMdisk

By replacing `/boot/loader.rc` (remotely) with:

```
include /boot/loader.4th
start
unload
load /boot/maint/k.CUSTOM
load -t md_image /boot/maint/fs.6.0-STYX
include /boot/maint/params
set vfs.root.mountfrom=ufs:/dev/md0
autoboot 10
```

Another way into RAMdisk

By starting with a very early script:

```
$ cd /etc/rc.d; rcorder * | head -4  
rcconf.sh  
dumpon  
initrandom  
maint_sshd
```

```
$ head maint_sshd  
#!/bin/sh  
PATH=/rescue:/usr/bin:/bin:/usr/sbin:/sbin  
# REQUIRE: initrandom  
# PROVIDE: maint_sshd  
# KEYWORD: nojail  
# BEFORE: disks
```

`/etc/rc.d/maint_sshd` steps

- i. Check for preloaded RAMdisk
If it hasn't been preloaded, look for it at
`$maint_sshd_fs_img` and `mdconfig` it
- ii. Mount it on `/boot/maint` and mount devfs
on `/boot/maint/dev`
- iii. Execute `chroot /boot/maint /etc/rc`

RAMdisk /etc/rc

- i. Configure network and start a `/usr/sbin/sshd` (in RAMdisk)
- ii. Check the “real” root filesystem
- iii. Check the `/usr` filesystem as specified by `/etc/fstab` on the “real” root
- iv. If called from `/etc/rc.d/maint_sshd` and the filesystems checked well, exit
- v. Otherwise, wait for administrator login

Cleaning up after RAMdisk

- A. Returning from RAMdisk `/etc/rc`, we know that the real root filesystem (and `/usr`) are clean
- B. Continue with the startup scripts ...
- C. Right before launching the real SSHD:
 - i. Kill the SSHD running in RAMdisk
 - ii. Unmount `/boot/maint/dev` and `/boot/maint`
 - iii. Relinquish RAM used by RAMdisk (if possible)

Single User Secure Shell

- A more sophisticated “rescue” environment in a RAMdisk which configures the network and also supports SSH, SSHD, and GEOM commands
- Is launched either stand-alone from boot loader or from `/etc/rc.d` before filesystems are checked
- Secure Shell remote login for root is possible – even when system is stuck in “Single User”

Overview of “full build”

- Build world
- Build release
- Build sandbox(es) and customize
 - ➔ `_DEV, _I28MB, _64MB` tarballs
- Build custom kernel per architecture
- Build mfs image
 - customize its `/etc` directory
 - copy appropriate kernel into `/boot/maint`
 - ➔ `boot+maint.tbz` tarballs

Details building a release

Get FreeBSD CVS repository with CVSUP (/usr/cvs)

www.freebsd.org/doc/en_US.ISO8859-1/books/handbook/cvsup.html

```
cd /usr && cvs -d /usr/cvs co src -r RELENG_6  
&& cd src && make buildworld
```

```
cd release && make release \  
BUILDNAME=NAME CVSROOT=/usr/cvs \  
CHROOTDIR=/r/BUILD RELEASETAG=RELENG_6
```

After a while, results in /r/BUILD/R

Common gotchas

Not enough disk space in /usr/obj or /r/BUILD
Environment or /etc/make.conf incompatibilities

Details _DEV dist tarball

```
SB=/r/BUILD
STYXTREE=${SB}/STYX/stage/trees
STYXTREEDEV=${STYXTREE}/DEV
mkdir -m 0755 -p ${STYXTREEDEV}

for d in `cd ${SB}/R/stage/trees; echo *`
do
    cd ${SB}/R/stage/trees/$d && \
        find . -depth | cpio -dump ${STYXTREEDEV}
done
cd ${SB}/R/stage/mfsfd && \
    find stand -depth | cpio -dump ${STYXTREEDEV}

mount_devfs ${STYXTREEDEV}/dev
cp /etc/resolv.conf ${STYXTREEDEV}/etc
# copy customization scripts into ${STYXTREEDEV}
# run customization scripts in chroot ${STYXTREEDEV}

cd `dirname ${STYXTREEDEV}` && tar cvBjf DEV.tbz DEV
```

Details `_generic tarball`

```
SB=/r/BUILD
STYXTREE=${SB}/STYX/stage/trees
STYXTREEGENERIC=${STYXTREE}/GENERIC_generic
mkdir -m 0755 -p ${STYXTREEGENERIC}

# default /boot hierarchy
cd ${SB}/R/stage/trees/base && \
    find boot -depth | cpio -dump ${STYXTREEGENERIC}

# GENERIC kernel
cd ${SB}/usr/src
make buildkernel KERNCONF=GENERIC
make installkernel DESTDIR=${STYXTREEGENERIC}

# maintenance RAMdisk
mkmfs.sh

cd `dirname ${STYXTREEGENERIC}` && \
    tar cvBjf GENERIC_generic.tbz boot
```

mkmfs.sh pseudocode

```
mkdir ${mfs}
cd ${mfs}
mkdir -m 0755 -p boot dev etc mnt libexec lib/geom \
    usr/share/misc var/db var/run root/.ssh mini
mkdir -m 1777 var/tmp
ln -s var/tmp tmp && ln -s mini bin && ln -s mini sbin
cd usr && ln -s ../bin && ln -s ../sbin
cd ${SB}/R/stage/trees/base/boot
cp boot boot0 boot0sio boot1 boot2 mbr ${mfs}
cp -p ${SB}/R/stage/trees/base/libexec/ld-elf.so.[0-9] ${mfs}/libexec
cp -p ${SB}/R/stage/trees/base/lib/geom/geom_*.so ${mfs}/lib/geom
do_crunchgen_with_a_twist && install_mini_crunch_into_mfs_mini
# i.e., /lib/geom/geom_eli.so, requires libmd.so and libcrypto.so
# see also man rtld(1)
ldd -f "cp -p ${SB}/R/stage/trees/base%p ${mfs}%p\n" \
    lib/geom/* mini/mini_crunch | grep -v : | sort -u | /bin/sh -x
cp_some_etc_files_to_mfs_etc
# make RAMdisk image file fssize=7k (7MB) fsinode=32k (big binaries)
/usr/src/release/scripts/doFS.sh bsdlable "" \
    fs_img ${SB}/R/stage /mnt ${fssize} ${mfs} ${fsinode} auto
gzip -cv9 fs_img > ${STYXTREEGENERIC}/maint/fs.gz
```