

Build Your Own Digital Signage Solution with Yocto Project

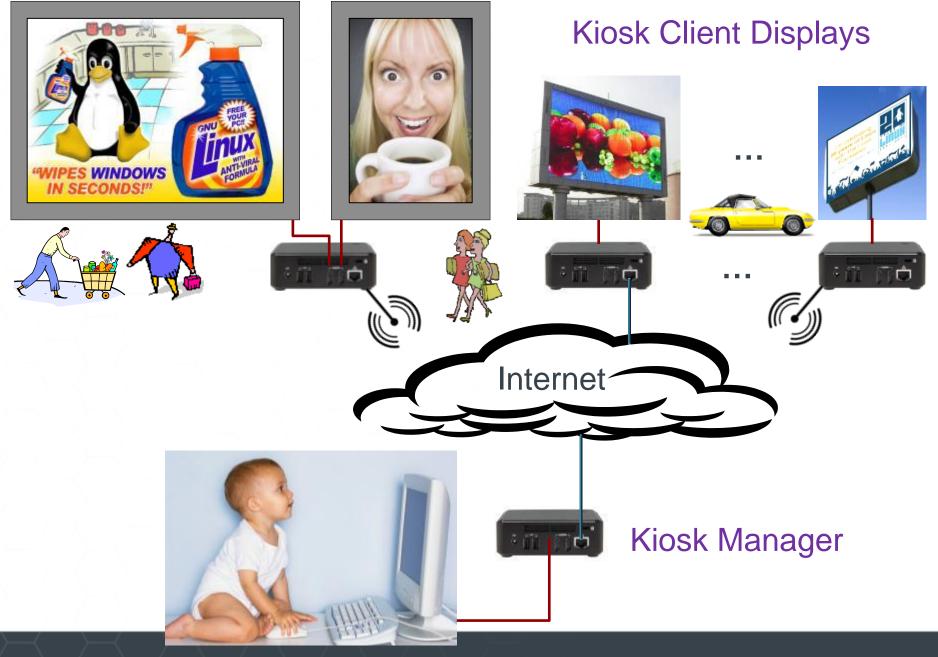
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What is Inside?

- Poky Linux distribution built with Yocto Project
- HTML 5 enabled webkit based midori browser
- Secure ssh connection between web kiosk client & manager
- The kiosk manager controls what interactive audio visual content and for how long and when will be played on various clients.
 - The client can also act as a manager
- The content to be played can be present anywhere
 - on the client itself, on server, on private network, on the Internet.

How Much Effort It Took To Come Up With This demo?

- Official NUC BSP took 1 week to develop
- WebKiosk layer developed by Interns
- Making of the demo took around 1 person week
- Replicating the exact demo will take 1 day

Hardware requirement

- Any display screens with HDMI input
- Touch screen is supported in the Yocto Project
- Network connection between kiosk client & manager
- Next Unit of Computing (NUC)
 - Used for both client & manager
 - 2 HDMI ports with Audio
 - 3rd Generation Intel Core i3
 - Network: Wired & Wireless options
 - Anti Theft & Secure Boot supported in firmware
 - Built in Graphics with accelerated open source driver
 - Can decode & play at least 4 h264 HD videos simultaneously





Let Us Build The Digital Signage Solution

Step 1: Get Yocto Project Layers

- Clone these Yocto project git repositories locally
 - poky (layers: oecore, meta-yocto, meta-yocto-bsp)
 - meta-intel (layers: meta-intel, meta-nuc)
 - meta-web-kiosk

```
$ mkdir -p ~/web-kiosk/sources
$ cd ~/web-kiosk/sources
$ GITREPO=git://git.yoctoproject.org/poky-contrib
$ git clone ${GITREPO} -b nitin/elcdemo/poky poky.git
$ git clone ${GITREPO} -b nitin/elcdemo/meta-intel meta-intel.git
$ git clone ${GITREPO} -b nitin/elcdemo/webkiosk meta-web-kiosk.git
```

Step 2: Configure & Build target disk images

Create a build directory

```
$ mkdir -p ~/web-kiosk/build-kiosk
$ cd ~/web-kiosk/sources/poky
$ . oe-init-build-env ~/web-kiosk/build-kiosk
```

- Configure layers
 - Add these lines to conf/bblayers.conf

- Configure target machine, and parallel build options
 - Add these lines to conf/local.conf

```
MACHINE = "nuc"

LICENSE_FLAGS_WHITELIST += "commercial"

DL_DIR = "~/web-kiosk/sources/downloads/"

BB_NUMBER_THREADS = "8"

PARALLEL_MAKE = "-j 8"
```

Build images for kiosk client & manager

```
$ bitbake core-image-web-kiosk core-image-kiosk-manager
```



Step 3: Install images on the hardware

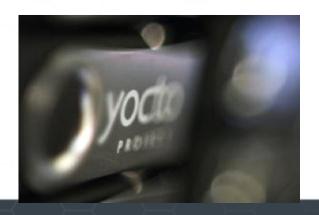
Burn a USB flash disk with the web-kiosk client image

```
# cd ~/web-kiosk/build-kiosk
# dd if=/tmp/deploy/image/core-image-web-kiosk-nuc.hddimg of=/dev/sdg
```

Burn a USB flash disk with the kiosk manager image

```
# cd ~/web-kiosk/build-kiosk
# dd if=/tmp/deploy/image/core-image-kiosk-manager-nuc.hddimg of=/dev/sdh
```

- Boot the NUC hardware with the these USB keys
 - To optionally install on the local disk
 - Press <TAB> at the syslinux prompt, and type "install"
 - And follow directions on the screen





Step 4: Show it off

- Connect kiosk manager to kiosk clients by network
- Configure this script to manage content on the clients
 - manage_kiosk.sh
- Start the kiosk manager for every client
 - manage_kiosk.sh

Further Enhancement

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Use the TPM & TXT available on the NUC platform

- http://git.yoctoproject.org/git/experimental/meta-trusted
- Harden system against attacks
- Trusted Boot, Measured Launch
- Development work is in progress
- Use Virtualization to manage clients
 - Manage Client OS remotely
 - Basic virtualization works
 - Graphics Virtualization work is in progress
 - http://git.yoctoproject.org/git/meta-virtualization





Demo

Thank you for your participation!





Backup

A sample configuration in manage_kiosh.sh

```
#!/bin/sh
client=192.168.76.209
changescript=/usr/bin/change midori url.sh
ADS="
100; http://alteredgualia.com/canvasmol/#Penicillin
120; http://fff.cmiscm.com
134; file:///var/local/ads/html5video/video-vp1.html
193; file:///var/local/ads/html5video/video-linux1.html
32; file:///var/local/ads/www.shinydemos.com/inbox-attack/index.html
for ad in ${ADS}
do
  duration=`echo ${ad} | cut -d\; -f1 `
  url=`echo ${ad} | sed "s/^[0-9]*;//"`
  echo ${client} ${duration}Seconds ${url}
  ssh -x root@${client} ${changescript} ${url}
  sleep ${duration}
done
```