The
#qt
#wayland
#systemd
#btrfs
phone

The Jolla phone









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lbt on #mer #sailfishos ...

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systems and infrastructure (OBS, QA, gitlab, bz ... VMs)

HA Documentation

Mer tools

Who am I?







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but







Good case study

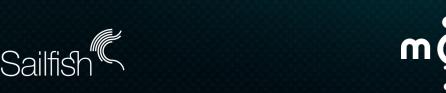
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Nexus 4

Galaxy S3

Sailfish on Android





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but



- Prerequisites
- Preparing Your Device
- Setting up the SDKs
- Building the Android HAL
- Setting up Scratchbox2 Target
- Packaging Droid HAL
- Creating the Sailfish OS root fs
- Getting In
- Flashing the rootfs image
- Manual Installation
- List of Repositories
- Tweaks and Patches
- Building a new Device
- List of Supported Devices















Qt 5.2

Why?

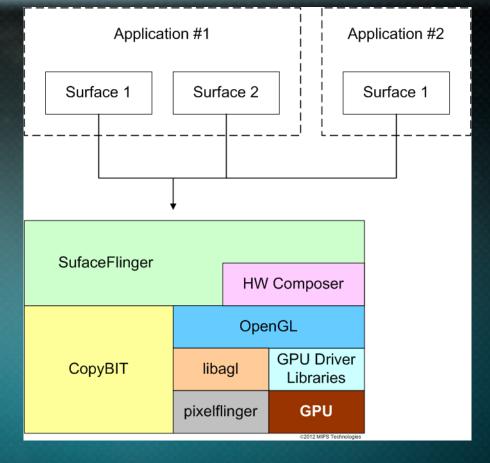
- QML
- Performant
- Open
- Not Java
- Huge developer base







Qt 5.2



Qt replaces SurfaceFlinger Still more to come using hwcomposer.





systemd



Love it?

Hate it?







systemd

- Fast
- Simple / documented
- Predictable
- Journal

User Sessions

- UI
- Act dead

Problems:

- tracks kernel too tightly
- Various WTFs







Reliable

Featureful

Dynamic subvolumes

Talk about Technology

btrfs

Wishes:

Priority quotas

"we'd choose it again next time"[1]







"Writing ifup/ifdown by hand would have been even worse"

Talk about Technology

connman

- Difficult issues simply expressing requirements is hard.
- Real upstream improvements recently (eg: usb)







ofono / pulseaudio Not been a problem

Hard to find good people

Martti is talking in depth about it.







Compositing

Talk about Technology

Technically not insanely hard

wayland

Share a GPU buffer to the compositor







libhybris

Shim between GNU libc and bionic libc

Enables use of glibc stack on top of Android BSP







Patches to bionic - relatively few:

Talk about Technology

libhybris

- Thread local storage
- pthreads
- errno
- hard vs softfp
- /dev/log







libhybris

```
android_dlopen("libEGL.so");

myeglCreateWindowSurfaceFP =
android_dlsym("eglCreateWindowSurface");

*myeglCreateWindowSurface(...)
```

Gets you

- libEGL.so
- libGLESv2.so

as wrappers which present to glibc space







libhybris

Rinse and repeat for:

- Gralloc
- OpenGL ES 1.1/2.0
- NFC
- Hardware HAL
- OpenCL
- SurfaceFlinger
- OpenMAX
- Camera
- Hwcomposer
- and so on ...







git

dbus

Talk about Technology

rpm

kernel







Open Source

Open Working







Maemo

MeeGo

Open Source

Open Working

We've been on the outside

It's hard







How?

Open Source

Open Working

- Internal Policies
- Eg: commits must have a suitable external bug reference







Open Source

Open Working

"When you as a Jolla employee are participating in open source projects, you are participating as yourself, not as Jolla."

- Be transparent externally
- To respect open source community contribution
- Respect other people's work and expertise
- Respect customers and partners (especially OSS ones!)
- "doing it together"
- Be diplomatic







Open Source

Open Working

Mer

- Core & some MW
- Systems
- Community

Code is not enough







Not covered:

- Many 'on-device' packages
- OBS/Build system
- SDKs and Tools
- Cross building
- Image building
- System updates
- Process Automation
- Test Automation
- Documentation
- Release Engineering
- Issue handling
- Open co-development
- Concurrent HA support







Not that hard

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80 people made this:









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