

# An Open and Fast Virtual Platform for TriCore<sup>™</sup>-based SoCs Using QEMU



#### INTRODUCTION

#### **TriCore**<sup>™</sup> :

- Popular processor core in automotive MCUs
- Combines RISC, MCU and **DSP** instructions



### **OBJECTIVES**

- A fast and open virtual platform targeting Infineon's AURIX™ processor family using
  - TriCore<sup>™</sup>-based QEMU for fast CPU emulation
  - SystemC and TLM-2.0 for device emulation
  - Transaction Level eMulator (TLMu)[1] to interface QEMU and SystemC/TLM-2.0

QEMU

#### **AURIX™**:

- 5th generation TriCore<sup>™</sup>
- Several cores in lockstep for increased reliability
- Entering market in 2014 and 2015

#### **MILESTONES**

- Implement TriCore<sup>™</sup> QEMU emulation and verify its correctness
- Extend TLMu to support the TriCore<sup>™</sup> architecture (interrupt, ...)
- Create a SystemC testbench
- Run a complete software stack on the platform

#### **APPROACH**

- Build main line QEMU with TriCore<sup>™</sup>-based binary translator as a shared library loaded by SystemC
- Memory device in QEMU maps the whole address space to callbacks mapped to SystemC write/read accesses
- SystemC models send interrupts to TLMu memory device, which interrupts the TriCore<sup>™</sup> CPU model

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## Comparison with TSIM

- Functional correctness throughImage: Correctness throughImage: Correctness through• C programsImage: Correctness throughImage: Correctness through

  - randomly generated and selected asm programs





- Speed comparison:
  - Fibonacci program (C)
  - Add program (C)
  - Up to 880x faster than TSIM for considerably long-running programs

#### **#CPU** instructions

Fibonacci



# CONCLUSIONS

- TriCore<sup>™</sup>-support added to official QEMU repository [2]
- Functional correctness of TriCore<sup>™</sup> architecture in QEMU validated
- Up to 880x faster compared to TSIM
- TLMu supports integration of TriCore<sup>™</sup> QEMU into SystemC/TLM-2.0 platform model



- Add the remaining 200 of 700 TriCore<sup>™</sup> instructions to QEMU
- Update TLMu to latest version of QEMU
- Test platform with Infineon's AURIX<sup>™</sup> test software

# All 16 bit TriCore<sup>™</sup> instructions now available at http://git.qemu.org

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