Running enterprise-grade Edge applications with EdgeX on Ubuntu Core

EdgeXFoundry Adopter Series



Introduction

Agenda

What are you learning today?

- Landscape
- What's Ubuntu Core
- EdgeX as snaps
- Canonical's EdgeX Portfolio
- Demo

What are we learning today?

Q&A + Feedback





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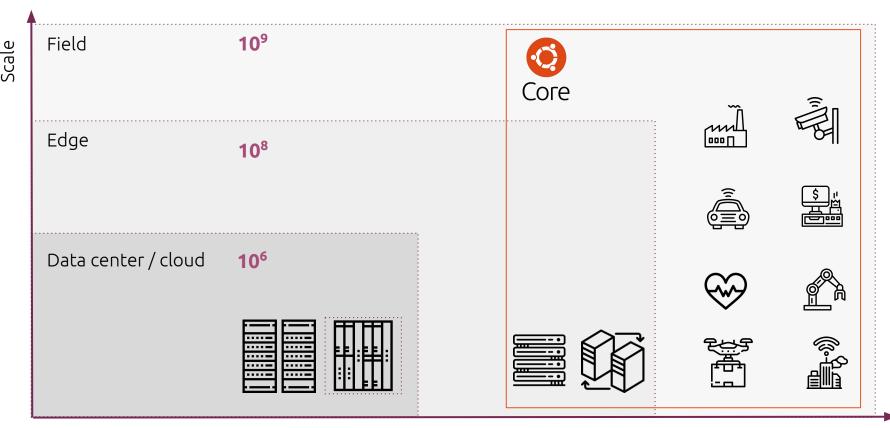
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For the next billions of devices



The IoT&Edge need a new breed of embedded systems



Just focus on your Application



Time To Market



Operations & Maintenance



Out-of-the-box Security



Support

Ubuntu Core



ubuntu[®] primed for secure smart things



Lean Ubuntu

Hardened for security

Cryptographically locked-down

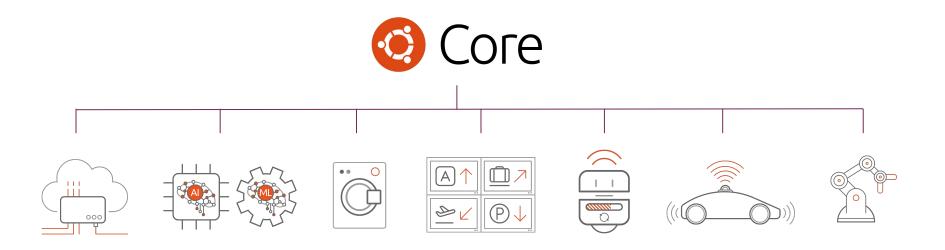
Automatic security & app updates



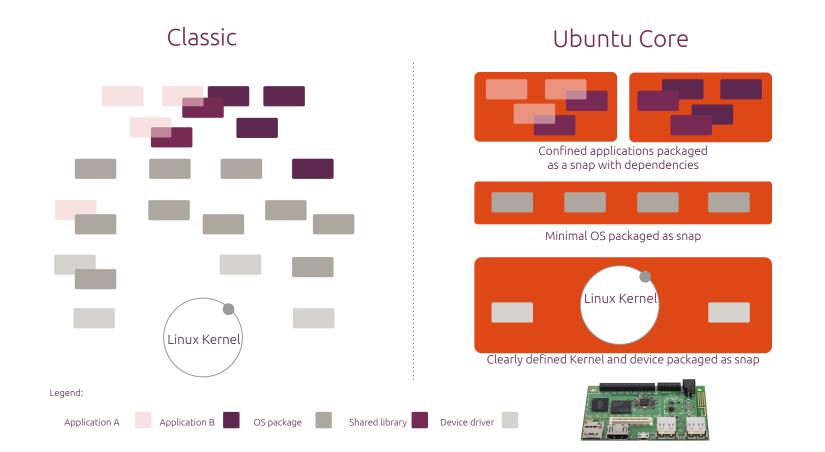
One Core to rule them all

OUR GOAL

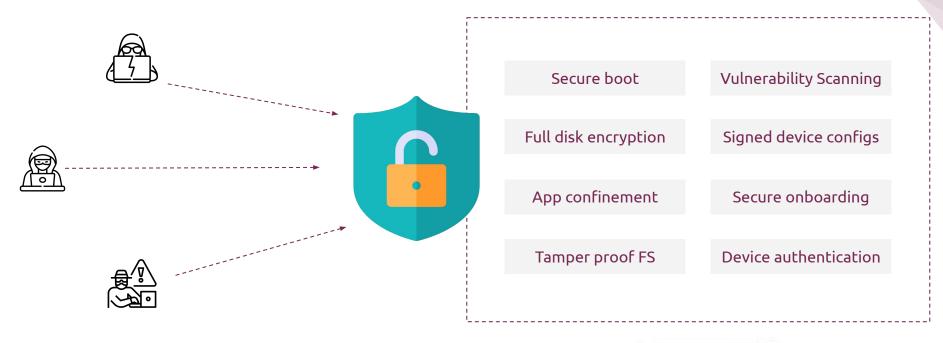
Best-in-class and reference solution for all Edge/IoT verticals



A new OS paradigm



Ultra-secure out of the box









Self-healing

Reliable systems that automatically roll-back in case of a failed update



Always backed up

Devices and application configurations are always backed up for easy recovery



Remotely accessible

Natively IP addressable and remotely accessible for operations



+10 years

Security patches, bug fixes and software upgrades delivered OTA

Deploying applications

Snap Store



- Open public store
- Default for Devices

Brand Store

- Selected list of snaps for groups of devices
- Snap Store as a service
- Full control over store contents
- Review queue for any 3rd party snaps
- Select periodicity of updates

Hosted by Canonical
Easy management (CLI or web)
Get published in minutes!

Tech description

Snaps - technical overview

- hybrid of a traditional Linux package and a container
- digitally signed
- updates are transactional
 - and support binary delta downloads
- run on any Linux distro with snapd installed**
- unlike typical OCI containers, can easily provide multiple services

** full confinement requires Ubuntu (e.g. Core, Desktop, Server, ...)

EdgeX Foundry snaps

- Canonical publishes the EdgeX snaps in the Snap Store
 - snaps are based on upstream releases
 - no changes are made to core functionality, however...
 - we maintain GitHub mirrors which give us patch capability
- The snap edgexfoundry provides the base set of EdgeX services
- Standalone snaps exist for app-service-configurable, and a growing number of device services

EdgeX Foundry snaps

- edgexfoundry
- edgex-cli
- edgex-app-service-configurable
- edgex-device-camera
- edgex-device-grove**
- edgex-device-modbus
- edgex-device-mqtt
- edgex-device-rest
- edgex-device-llrp-rfid**

edgexfoundry snap

- Provides:
 - the minimum set of services required to run EdgeX
 - runtime dependencies (e.g. Consul, Redis, ...)
 - rules engine (Kuiper)
 - device-virtual
- Some services are disabled by default (e.g. support-*, SMA)
 - but can be individually enabled using snap cli or REST API
- EdgeX Security is enabled by default
- Consul is enabled by default and cannot be disabled

edgexfoundry snap cont.

- The snap store provides channels indicating risk and tracks for multi-version support
- The snaps in the latest/beta channel are all based on Hanoi:
 - \$ sudo snap install edgexfoundry --beta
- Ireland snaps (in-progress), can be installed from the edge channel:
 - \$ sudo snap install edgexfoundry --edge
- After Ireland releases, snaps will be available from the 2.0 track:
 - \$ sudo snap install edgexfoundry --channel=2.0/stable

Application & device service snaps

- Application and device service snaps:
 - are installed with services disabled
 - allows for external config (e.g. devices, profile, vault tokens)
 - snap content interfaces
 - allow files to be shared between snaps
 - support an autostart config option
 - if external config is provided, set to "true"

Snap configuration environment overrides

- EdgeX configuration can be overridden via per-service env vars
 - i.e. as done in docker-compose files
- The snap configure hook now provides env override support
- Setting snap .env config options adds env vars to service wrappers
- Snap config can be supplied via
 - the snap cli (e.g. snap set)**
 - another snap via snapd's REST API (aka snapd-control)**
 - the gadget snap (part of every Ubuntu Core image)

** services must be manually restarted

Snap configuration example - Core-Data

- Set Core Data's port to 2112:
 - \$ sudo snap set edgexfoundry env.core-data.service.port=2112
- this creates a service.env file for core-data w/in the snap and sets:
 - SERVICE_PORT=2112
- .env files are sourced by wrapper scripts prior to launching services

Snap configuration - API Gateway

- API Gateway is used to auth external client access to EdgeX services
- It must be configured first, before it can be used
- Snap config options include:
 - Gateway user (with public cert/key)
 - TLS configuration
- These options allow an Ubuntu Core EdgeX image to be created with a pre-configured, ready-to-use API Gateway
- The security-config command is still available for advanced use cases

Snap configuration - API Gateway

 This slide shows how the API Gateway can be configured for JWT (vs. having to use the security-config command):

```
$ sudo snap set edgexfoundry \
    env.security-proxy.user=user01,USER ID,ES256
$ sudo snap set edgexfoundry \
   env.security-proxy.public-key= |-
     ----BEGIN PUBLIC KEY----
    MFkwEwYHKoZIzjOCAQYIKoZIz...
     ----END PUBLIC KEY----
```

Constructing an Ubuntu Core EdgeX image

- Create an Ubuntu Core model assertion listing snaps
 - a signed JSON document
- Provide configuration via snap config and/or content interfaces
 - via a configuration snap (using snapd's REST API)
 - via a gadget snap
- Build an image using ubuntu-image tool
- For more details see:

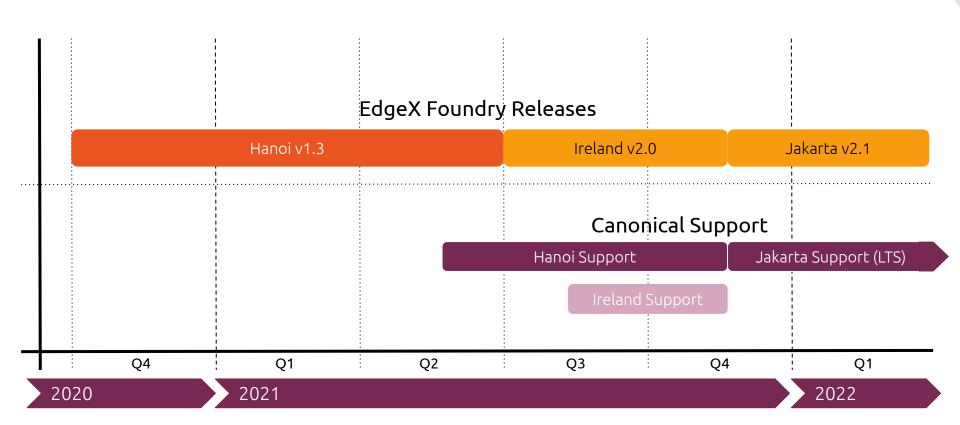
https://ubuntu.com/core/docs/image-building

Snap documentation (Hanoi)

- edgexfoundry Snap Store page: <u>https://snapcraft.io/edgexfoundry</u>
- edgexfoundry https://github.com/canonical/edgex-go/blob/hanoi-launchpad/snap/README.md
- edgex-app-service-configurable
 https://github.com/canonical/edgex-app-service-configurable/blob/hanoi-lp/snap/README.md
- edgex-device-camera
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- edgex-device-rest https://github.com/canonical/edgex-device-rest-go/blob/hanoi-lp/snap/README.md
- edgex-snap-hooks https://github.com/canonical/edgex-snap-hooks/blob/v1.0.0/README.md

Products & Roadmap

Canonical's Support Roadmap



Our products



Product acceleration Boost TTM



Long-term engagement Security + Support



ODM Program

Device Enablement



Smart-Start



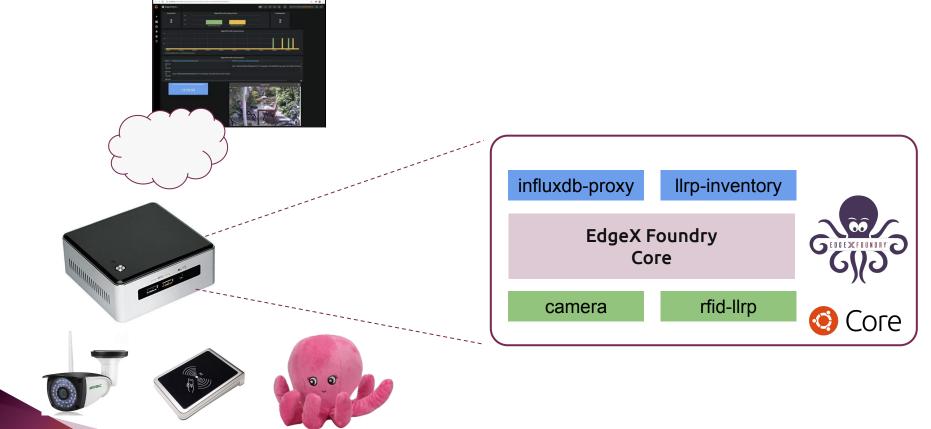
OTA updates (Security + Apps)



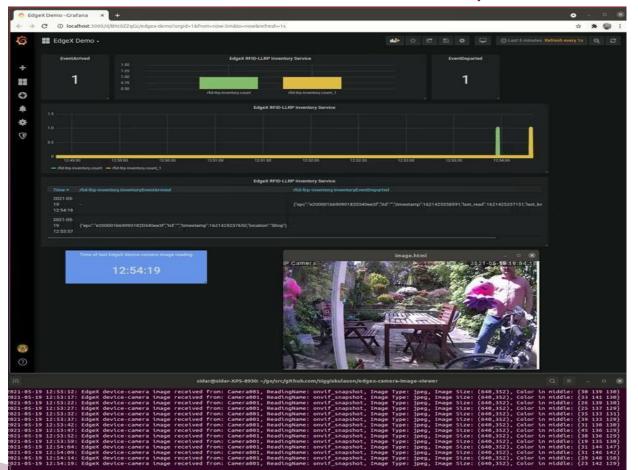
Support

Demo

Demo Description



Demo: RFID detection + Camera snapshots



Wrap-up

EdgeX + Ubuntu Core



Focus on our application ⇒ Accelerate TTM



Reduce Operations & Maintenance Costs



Security, reliability and LTS



Thank you. Questions?