

State of the ARM

Where are we now, what's coming?



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Agenda

- Released ports: armel & armhf
- Builds and hardware
- arm64
- New stuff!
- Take notes in gobby please!
 - `gobby.debian.org`
 - `debconf14/bof/state-of-the-arm`



armel

- Current port, first released with Lenny
- Soft-float ABI, v4t
 - Still needed for older hardware
- Still supported upstream...
- How long?



armhf

- Current port, first released with Wheezy
- Hard-float ABI, v7, VFPv3-D16
 - New standard for ARM Linux distros
- armmp kernel & DTBs
 - Potentially massive set of supported devices



Builds and hardware

- Mostly relying on dev boards still:
 - Marvell Armada XP (v7)
 - Some remaining
 - Freescale imx53 (v7)
 - Older v5 builds retired
- Issues
- New hardware? Real servers?





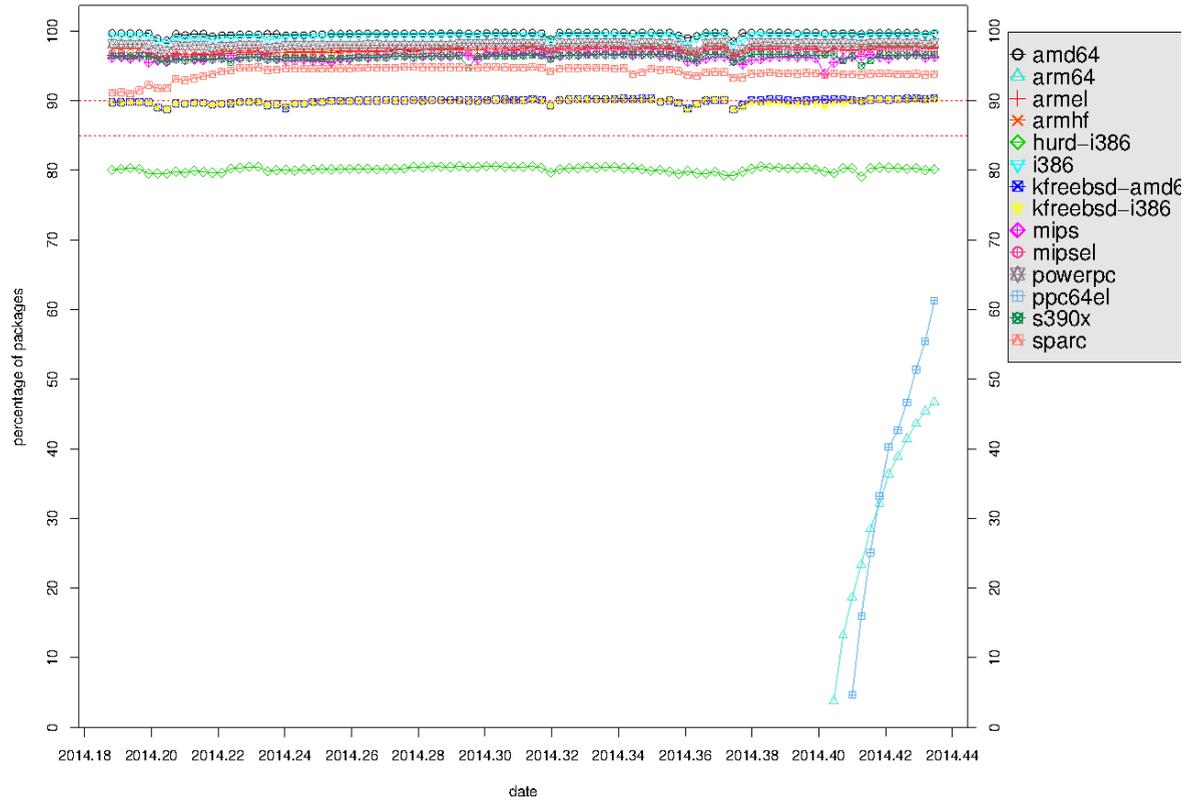
arm64

- New port!
 - <https://wiki.debian.org/Arm64Port>
- Bootstrapped in d-p fine
- In main archive now
- Hoping to release with Jessie
 - Some concerns, but...
- 2 builddds hosted at ARM for now

arm64 progress



What percent is built for each architecture (past quarter)





New stuff?

- Cool stuff
 - Talk by Andy Simpkins later at DebConf
 - Open Hardware and Software Laptop with an ARMv8 SoC
- Donated Hardware!
- Donated Software!



What else?

- More porters always welcome
- #debian-arm on irc.debian.org
- debian-arm@lists.debian.org
- Mini-conf @ ARM Cambridge, Nov 2014
<https://wiki.debconf.org/wiki/Miniconf-UK/2014>



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