

# babyIOC

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- Envisioned for
  - For mobile end-stations.
- From past experience:
  - Had areaDetector-3-1 with Pilatus and several Prosilica IOCs running on Debian 8 6 y. old server with 2 GB of memory
- New technology should offer same or better hardware and small factor.
  
- First try was X15 from Beagle Bone with 2GB RAM
  - 32 bit ARM architecture

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# babyIOC, “Controls System in Box”

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- From Italian startup *Udoo* funded through Kickstarter in 2016
- diskless SBC
- 64 bit Intel architecture
- x4 core 2.56 GHz and 8GB RAM
- x3 1Gbit Ethernet interfaces
- boots and runs from microSD
- New NSLS2 Debian distribution, compiled areaDetector-3-2, Prosilica IOCs, X2Go server.
- Building another system like this comes to copying the image to another card.
- ~\$400



# babyIOC runs areaDetector-3-2 on XFP beamline with PVA ONLY!

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We see it as a intermediate compromise solution for EPICS software upgrade at NSLS2 beamlines



# What next?

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- What we would like to have (please advise if you know)
  - Be ably to fully use microSD card of any size
    - When copying one SD card to another with **dd** command, the size of the target becomes always the size of the source, even if it is x10 bigger.
- Plan to clean up puppet and NSLS2 specifics and make the image available to the community with instructions.

# Credits:



- Thomas Smith babyIOC admin parent.
- Dennis Poshka babyIOC nurture technician
- Matt Cowan babyIOC deployment caregiver