TwinCAT/BSD BECKHOFF



TwinCAT/BSD

- Combination of TC-OS-Kernel (TwinCAT Runtime) with the small footprint open source operating system FreeBSD
- Best fit for TwinCAT companion OS
 - Multiprocess/Multithread
 - Multicore
 - Multi-user
 - 32/64-bit x86 and ARM support
 - State of the art technology features
 - File System, Networking, USB, graphics
 - Internet protocols and technologies



TwinCAT/BSD | What is FreeBSD?

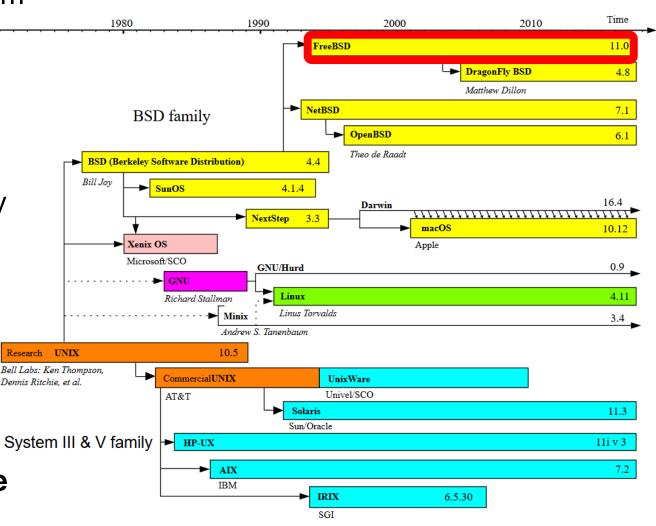
FreeBSD is a Unix based operating system

 It is a full operating system – not just a kernel like Linux

 The roots are going back to the University of California in Berkeley (UC Berkeley) where the initial Kernel was developed

 BSD stands for "Berkeley Software Distribution"

 BSD licensed – permissive open source license (no GPL!)



TwinCAT/BSD | What is FreeBSD?

- Community driven operating system, driven by technology and directed by an elected core team
- Entire base system is developed together, including kernel, configuration, utilities...
- Target is usage for servers, desktop and embedded systems
- Security of a modern Unix system
- Simple configuration, extension, customization
- →Your system as you want it!



TwinCAT/BSD | Who uses FreeBSD?

Devices/Systems

- Apples Darwin Kernel is based on BSD:
 - macOS
 - iOS
 - tvOS
- Playstation OS is based on FreeBSD
 - Playstation 4
 - Playstation 3
 - PS Vita
- Nintendo switch
- QNAP–QES Enterprise storage systems
- Panasonic Viera TVs

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Software/Services

- Whatsapp
- Netflix
- McAfee SecurOS
- Junipers JunOS Network appliances
- Verisign
- Trivago
- NetApp
- EMC²
- **-** ...



TwinCAT/BSD | Why did Beckhoff choose FreeBSD?

- FreeBSD is an industrial proven and reliable state-of-the-art operating system
- FreeBSD offers an industrial friendly license
 - The BSD license is permissive and can therefore be used in products without hesitation
- No limitation in regard to implementation of TwinCAT due to licensing
 - Linux was also tested but the limitations were too big due to the license
- FreeBSD is open source
 - Beckhoff has full control of the OS if necessary
 - Indepentent of third parties



TwinCAT/BSD | Why did Beckhoff choose FreeBSD?

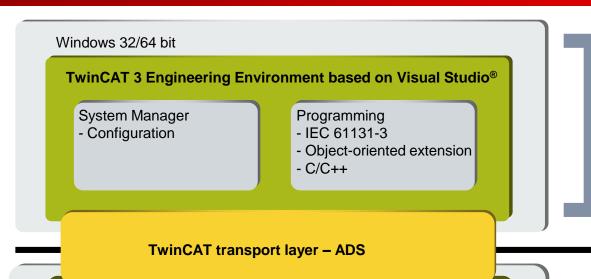
- Well known Unix/Linux tools and software is available for FreeBSD
 - sh, csh, tcsh, ssh, scp, vi, ee, clang, llvm, ...
- >32.000 Ports, see https://www.freebsd.org/ports/
 - nano, bash, KDE, Gnome, XFCE, ...
 - nginx, Apache, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Python, Node.js, PHP...
- Z File System (ZFS) The last word in file systems



TwinCAT/BSD | Zettabyte File System (ZFS)

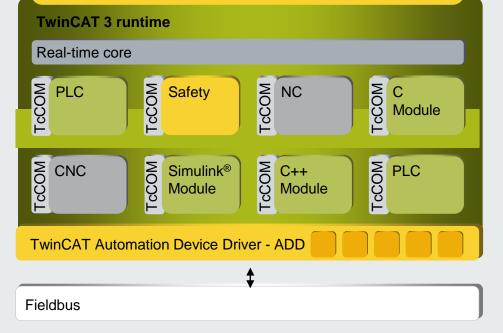
- Originally developed by Sun, moved into the OpenZFS project
 - Design Goals: Data Integrity, Pooled Storage, Performance.
- Combination of File System and Volume Manager with unique advantages
 - 128-bit addresses
 - Copy-on-write
 - RAID, Checksums in data and tree, self-healing
 - Compression
 - Snapshots, rollback
 - Replication (write to file/network)
- FAT32 is interoperable with Windows and FreeBSD





eXtended
Automation
Engineering (XAE)
Visual Studio on
Windows



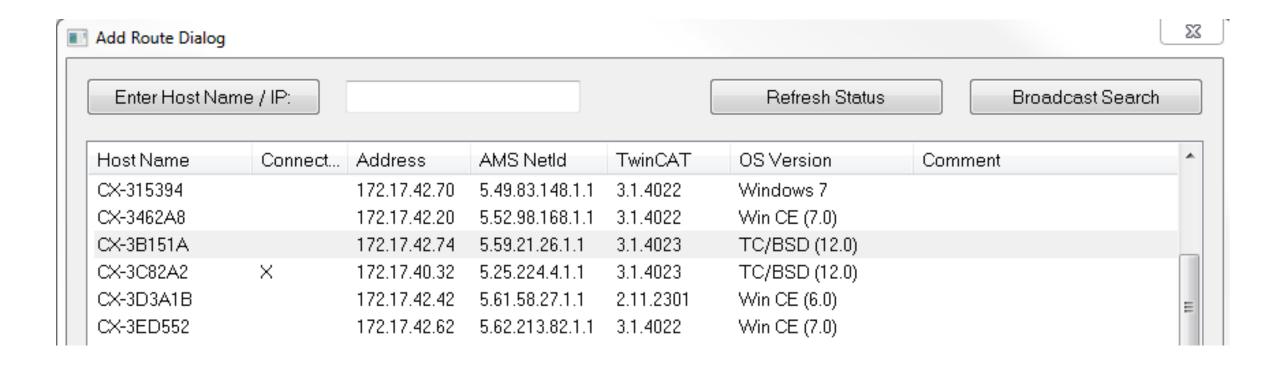


eXtended
Automation
Runtime (XAR)
TwinCAT/BSD
or Windows



TwinCAT/BSD | TwinCAT

- TwinCAT <u>3</u> on FreeBSD
 - Essentials haven't changed!



TwinCAT/BSD | Platforms

- Supported CX Platforms for Release:
 - CX51x0
 - CX52x0
 - CX20x0
 - CX20x2
 - CX20x3
- Officially supported IPC Platforms will be decided later Announcement probably 4Q2020
 - ➤ TwinCAT/BSD will target x86-64 only! New ARM Devices will follow later





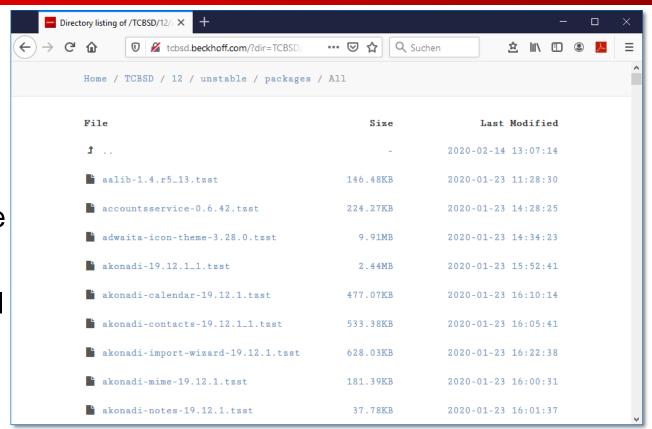
TwinCAT/BSD | Image

- Specific FreeBSD Image
 - Based on FreeBSD 12
 - Adapted FreeBSD Kernel
 - ZFS as File System
 - Default disk usage at ~500MB
 - Basic configuration and hardening applied
 - Whole system can be updated via pkg tool
 - TwinCAT and Functions also updateable via pkg
 - Beckhoff will host public package server for updates





- Beckhoff hosts own package server
 - Beckhoff packages (supported)
 - Third party packages (not supported)
 - Repository is updated every four weeks
 - Security patches as soon as possible
- Whole System can be updated via pkg tool
 - Base System (BSD)
 - TwinCAT Runtime & Functions
 - 3rd Party software



- TwinCAT and base system updates are tested for compatibility before release.
- Possible to host an own package server to test updates in advance before deployment.

TwinCAT/BSD | sh - Shell as user interface

- For now the Shell is the primary user interface for making settings
 - sh, csh, tcsh, (bash) …
 - ssh (secure shell over network)
- Optional installation of desktop via pkg is possible (not supported by Beckhoff)
 - KDE, GNOME, XFCE, ...

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login as: Administrator
Using keyboard-interactive authentication.
Password for Administrator@CX-3C82A2:
Last login: Thu Aug 29 16:03:33 2019
FreeBSD 12.0-RELEASE-p7- BHF

The software licenses can be found in this folder: /usr/local/etc/TwinCAT/3.1/Sy stem/Legal/
TcOsSys.dll: TcOsSys_Rel31_4024_20190802.2
TwinCAT Build: 3.1.4023.119
AMS Net Id: 5.60.130.162.1.1
TC/BSD: 12.0.20190718162607,1
Hostname: CX-3C82A2
igb0: 172.17.42.45
igb1:
Administrator@CX-3C82A2:~ %
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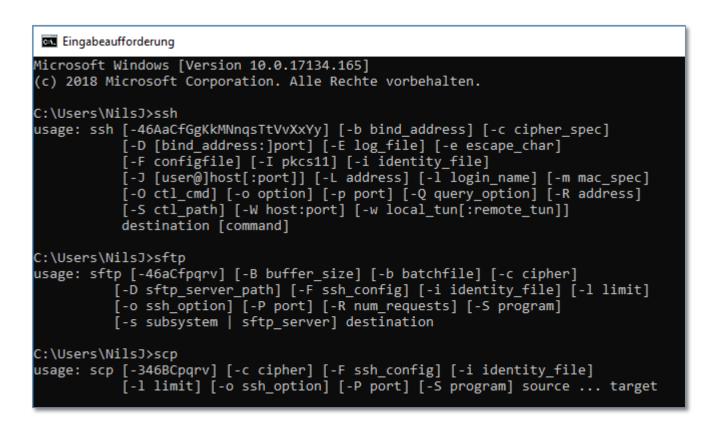
TwinCAT/BSD | Graphical User Interface

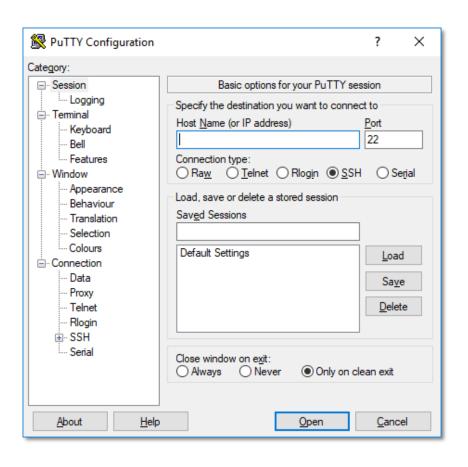
- TwinCAT/BSD will support fullscreen HTML5 Browser (planned for 1Q2021)
- Beckhoff Device Manager for diagnostic and configuration
- TwinCAT 3 HMI Server & Client



TwinCAT/BSD | SSH – Secure Shell over network

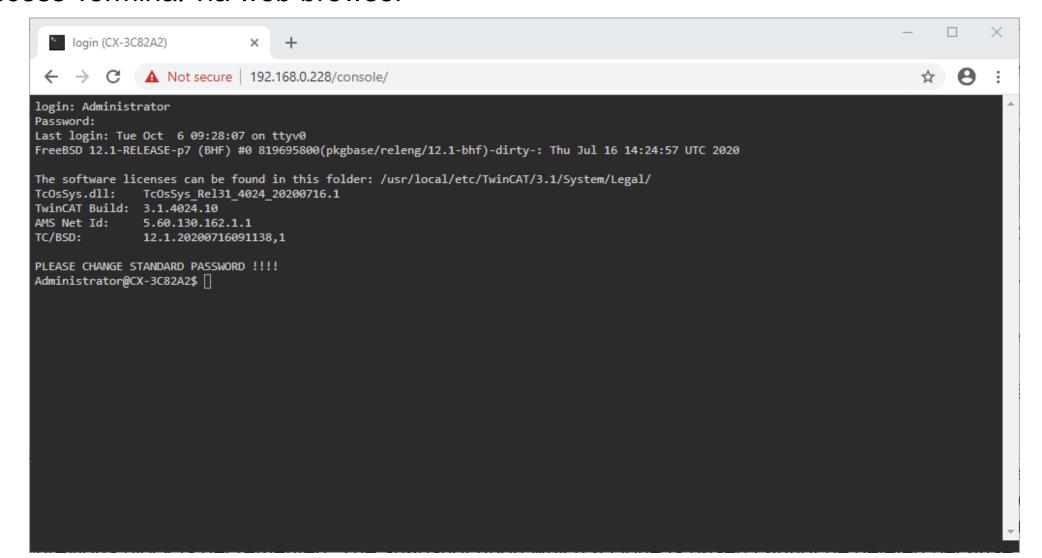
- OpenSSH for Windows, available for Windows 10, released in April 2018
 - Alternative is PuTTY, open-source ssh client for Windows, available since 1999





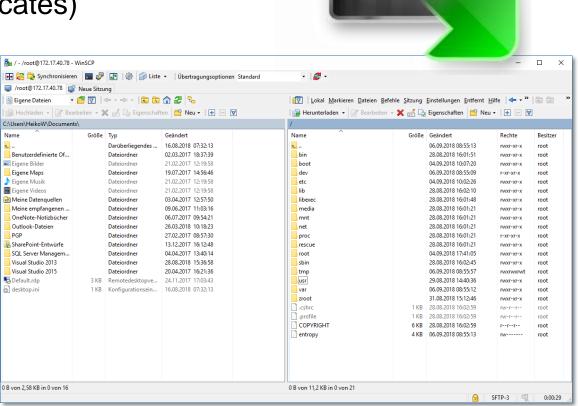
TwinCAT/BSD | HTTPS

Access Terminal via web browser



TwinCAT/BSD | Exchange Files with system

- On Windows you often use SMB
- On Unix systems scp/sftp is more common and secure
 - It uses the already available ssh protocol
 - It is fully encrypted (either Password or certificates)
- On Windows you can use clients like WinSCP which makes file copy very easy
- WinSCP is a free open source SCP/SFTP client
 - https://winscp.net/eng/index.php



TwinCAT/BSD | Functions

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- All TwinCAT runtime functions will be ported successively to TwinCAT/BSD
- Over time they will be available via the package server and can be installed in the field
- Currently already available functions (Beta) in the table

Function	Description
TC1000	TC3 ADS
TC1100	TC3 I/O
TC1200	TC3 PLC
TC1210	TC3 PLC/C++
TC1220	TC3 PLC/C++/Matlab®/Simulink®
TC1250	TC3 PLC/NC PTP 10
TC1260	TC3 PLC/NC PTP 10/NC I
TC1300	TC3 C++
TC1320	TC3 C++/Matlab®/Simulink®
TF1910	TC3 UML
TF3900	TC3 Solar Position Algorithm
TF4100	TC3 Controller Toolbox
TF4110	TC3 Temperature Controller
TF5100	TC3 NC I
TF6000	TC3 ADS Communication
TF6100	TC3 OPC UA
TF6220	TC3 EtherCAT Redundancy 250
TF6250	TC3 Modbus TCP
TF6255	TC3 Modbus RTU
TF6271	TC3 PROFINET RT Controller
TF6280	TC3 Ethernet/IP Slave
TF6281	TC3 Ethernet/IP Master
TF6310	TC3 TCP/IP
TF6311	TC3 TCP/UDP Realtime
TF6421	TC3 XML Server
TF6500	TC3 IEC60870-5-10x
TF6701	TC3 IoT Communication (MQTT)
TF8310	TC3 Wind Framework
TF6760	TC3 IoT HTTPS/REST

TwinCAT/BSD | Container Support - Docker

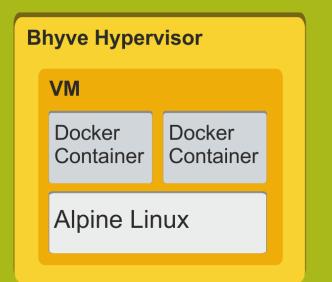
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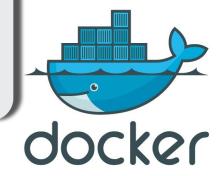
TC/BSD

TwinCAT 3 runtime

- Shared Cores/ Isolated Cores User Applications for FreeBSD

- e.g. Webserver, HMI, Database





TwinCAT/BSD | Roadmap

- Current Roadmap:
 - Internal Beta 3 (x64): February 2019
 - Public Beta 1 (x64): September 2019
 - Public Beta 2 (x64): February 2020
 - Release (x64): October 2020
 - ARM Support
 - More TC3 Functions
- Currently we are working on:
 - Porting existing Supplements to .net Core
 - IPC Device Manager
 - Graphics



TwinCAT/BSD | Advantages

- BSD License → no copyleft for own software development
- Reduced license cost
- No "end of distribution" by 3rd party
- Full customization possible
- Small Footprint/Small attack surface
- Security of a modern Unix system
- ARM and x64 Support (with TC3 multicore)
- Additional software can be installed (wide variety)
- Simple update and installation mechanism
- Multicore/Use of isolated cores with TwinCAT 3
- Easy backup/restore and snapshots
- Container Support



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