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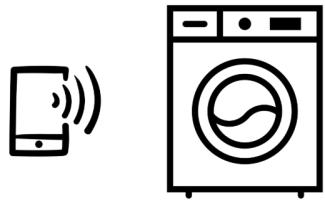

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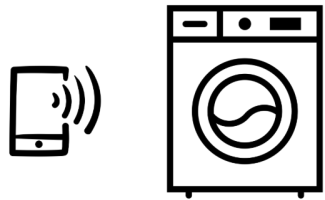

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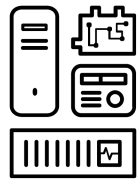

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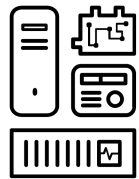

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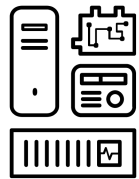

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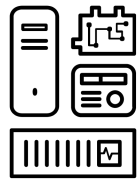

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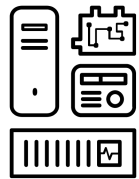

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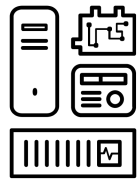

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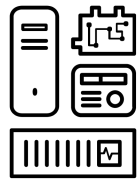

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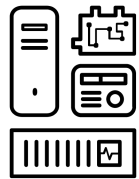

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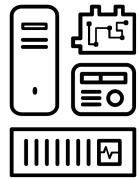

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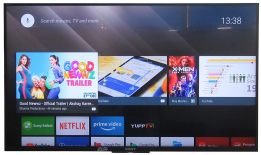

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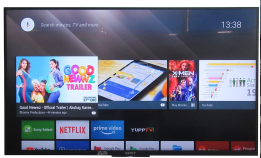

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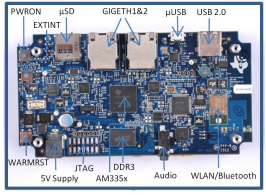

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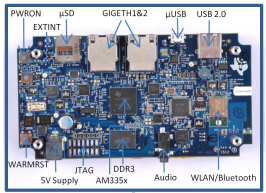

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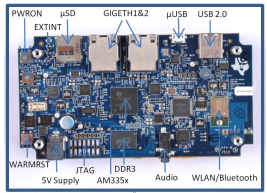

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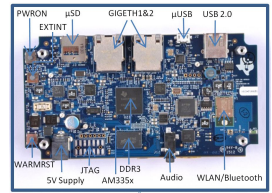

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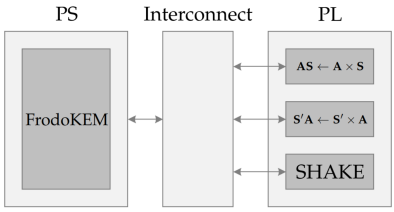

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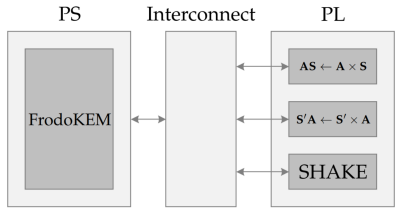

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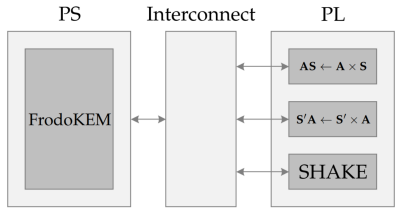

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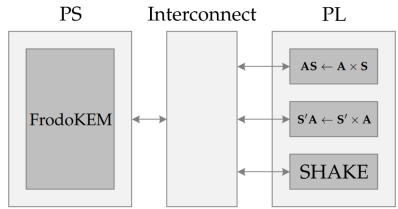

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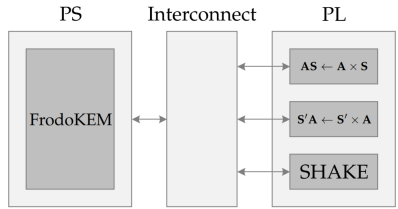

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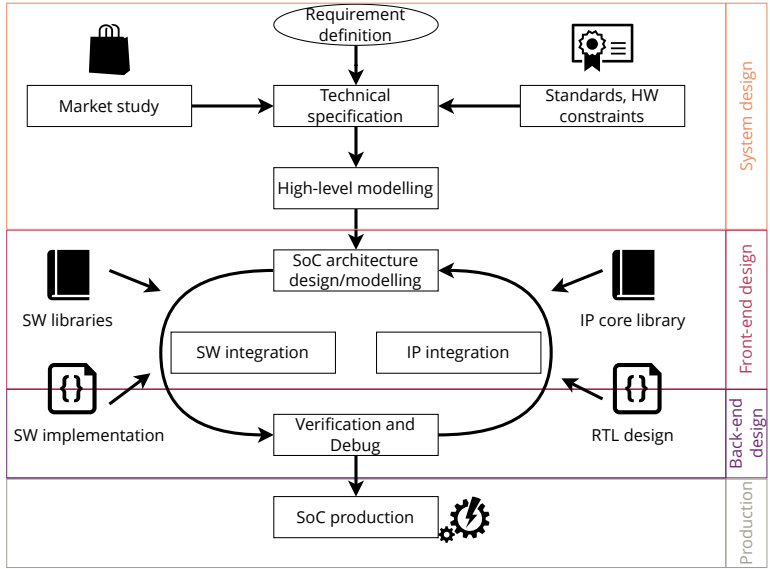

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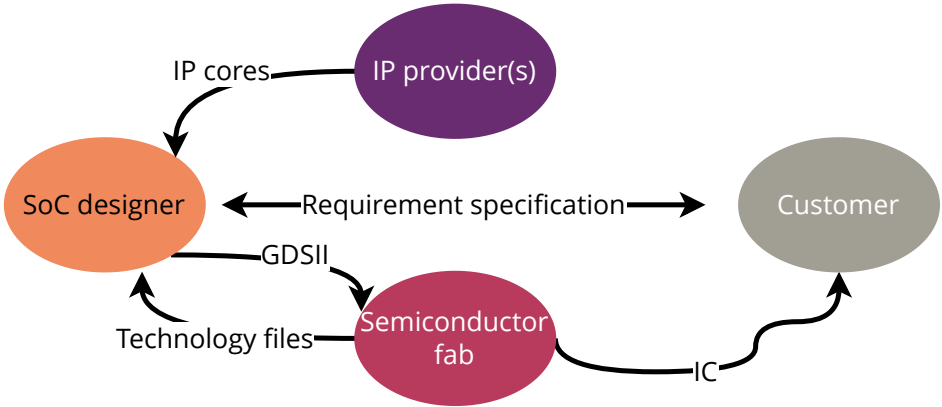

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  - Group size = Number of Participants / Number of Boards = 27 / 8
  - 5 groups of 3, 3 groups of 4
- Team Size for Seminar presentation: 1

Registration Process

1. Find a group
2. Register your group: sip-team@iaik.tugraz.at
3. Wait for the confirmation mail to get your group number
4. Choose a seminar topic
5. Register for a seminar topic: https://www.termino.gv.at/meet/b/96af1b7b54cbfe4fbfbcdb4a2bb94788-256179
6. Receive your git repositories (by email)

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Preliminary timeline

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11.10.	Embedded Linux Tutorial / Presentation Project 1
18.10.	Debugging Tutorial
25.10.	Q&A Project 1
1.11.	Public holiday (no meeting)
8.11.	Seminar talks + Q&A
15.11.	Presentation Project 2a+2b / Seminar talks + Q&A
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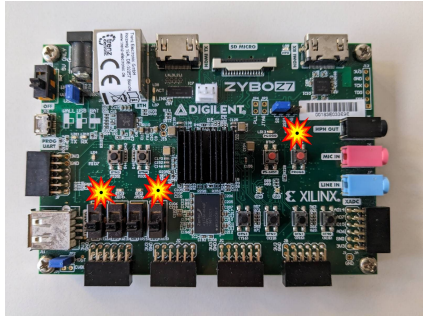

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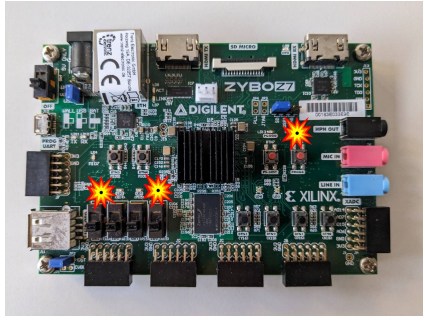

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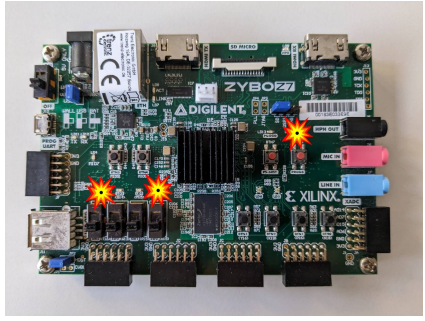

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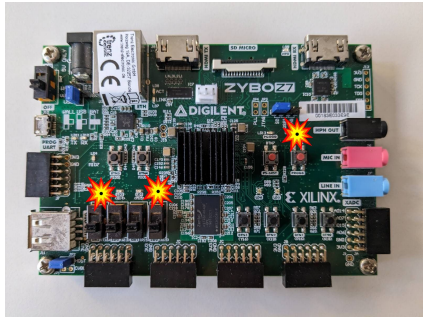

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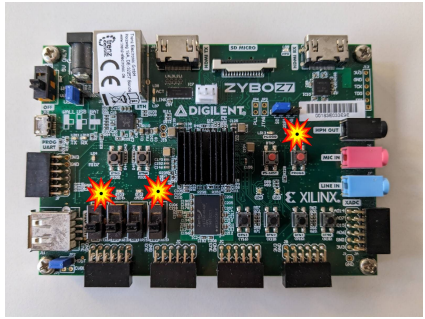

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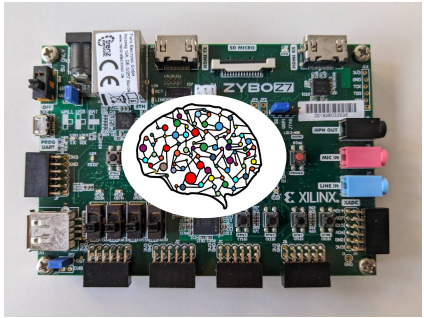

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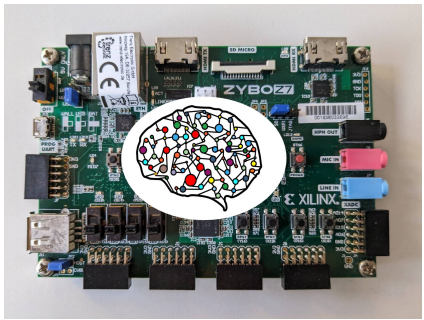

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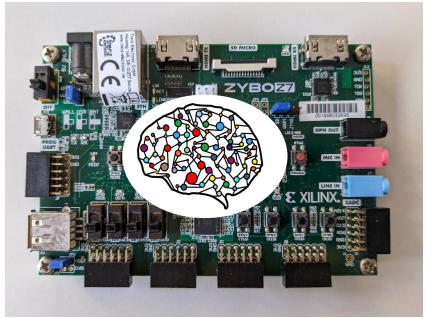

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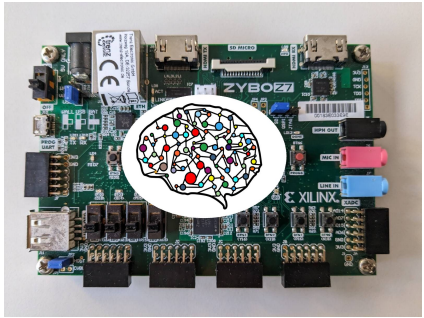

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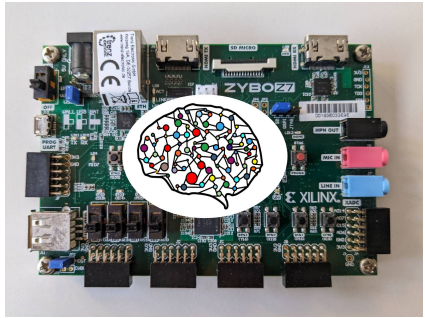

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