



# Nominal Device Support (NDSv3) as a Software Framework for Diagnostics

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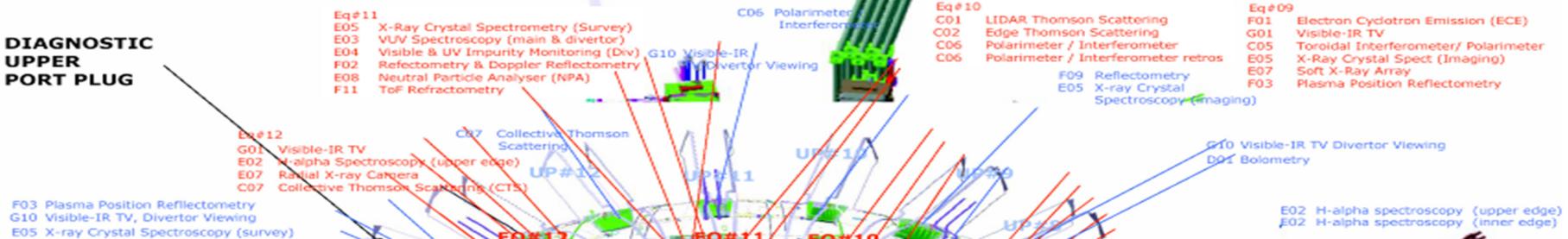
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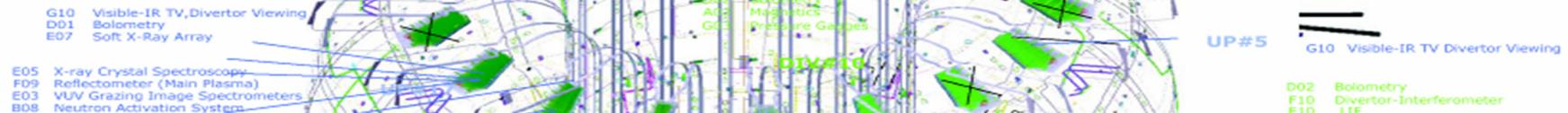
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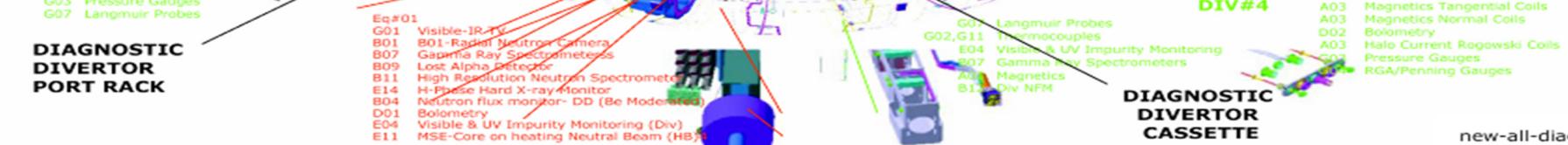
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## DIAGNOSTIC IN-VESSEL CABLING



## DIAGNOSTIC DIVERTOR PORT RACK

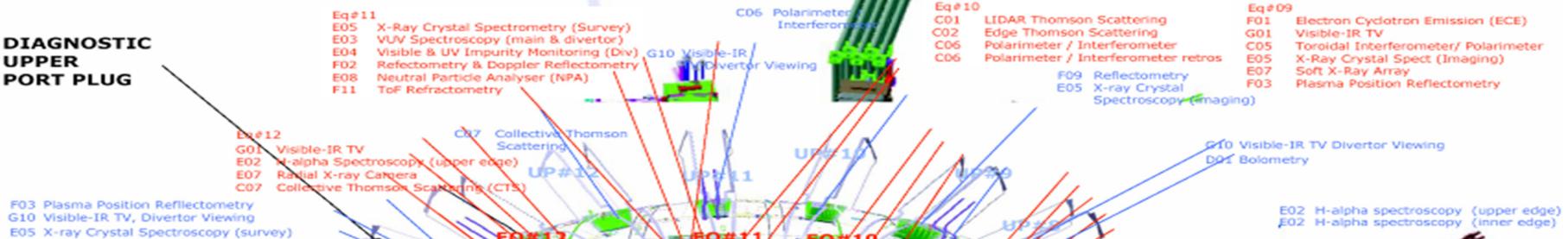


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## DIAGNOSTIC IN-VESSEL CABLING

G10 Visible-IR TV, Divertor Viewing  
D01 Bolometry  
E07 Soft X-Ray

E05 X-ray Crystal Spectrometry  
F09 Reflectometry  
E03 VUV Grazing Inc.  
B08 Neutron Activation System

**NDSv3: Standardization on the Driver Integration Level**

G02,G11 Thermocouples  
G06 IR Thermography  
E04 Divertor Imp Monitor (VUV)  
D02 Bolometry  
A03 Magnetics  
G03 Pressure Gauges  
G07 Langmuir Probes

## DIAGNOSTIC DIVERTOR PORT RACK

Eq#01  
G01 Visible-IR-TV  
B01 Radial Neutron Camera  
B07 Gamma Ray Spectrometers  
B09 Low Alpha Retepex  
B11 High Resolution Neutron Spectrometer  
E14 H. Div. Hard X-ray Monitor  
B04 Neutron flux monitor- DD (Be Moderated)  
D01 Bolometry  
E04 Visible & UV Impurity Monitoring (Div)  
E11 MSE-Core on heating Neutral Beam (HBN)

C06 Polarimeter / Interferometer

Eq#10  
C01 LIDAR, Thomson Scattering  
C02 Edge Thomson Scattering  
C06 Polarimeter / Interferometer  
Polarimeter / Interferometer retros

Eq#09  
F01 Electron Cyclotron Emission (ECE)  
Visible-IR TV  
F01 Toroidal Interferometer / Polarimeter  
X-Ray Crystal Spect (Imaging)  
E05 Soft X-Ray Array  
F03 Plasma Position Reflectometry

G10 Visible-IR TV Divertor Viewing  
D01 Bolometry

E02 H-alpha spectroscopy (upper edge)  
E02 H-alpha spectroscopy (inner edge)

Visible-IR TV Divertor Viewing  
Bolometry

DIV#1  
E10 LIF  
A01 Magnetics  
D02 Bolometry  
G03 Pressure Gauges  
Div NFM  
G04 RGA/Penning Gauges

## DIAGNOSTIC EQUATORIAL PORT PLUG

Eq#03  
G01 Visible-IR TV (1/4)  
E12 CXRS Edge Upper on DNB  
E12 CXRS Edge Lower on DNB  
E11 MSE-Core on HNBs  
E02 H-Alpha Spectroscopy (Divertor inner)  
E05 X-Ray Crystal Spect (Imaging)  
E15 Beam Emission Spectroscopy (BES)

DIV#4  
G09 Dust Monitor  
A03 Magnetics Tangential Coils  
A03 Magnetics Normal Coils  
D02 Bolometry  
A03 Halo Current Rogowski Coils  
Pressure Gauges  
RGA/Penning Gauges

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# NDSv3 as a SW Framework for Diagnostics

- Nominal Device Support (NDS) Concept
- Main NDS Software Layers and Interfaces
- NDS Device Drivers for PXIe and MTCA Boards
- NDS Plugins for ITER Hi-Perf Networks and EPICS
- NDS System for Complex Setups
- Other NDS Solutions: NDS-IRIO-OpenCL
- Conclusions

# NDS Basics

- Conceived by Cosylab, further developed by ITER partnering with UPM and GMV
- Goal: a driver development framework for ITER diagnostics measurement systems (focusing on DAQ and timing)
  - Small functional blocks (nodes) instantiated to build complex systems
  - Improved code reusability and testability
  - High software quality (automated tests and static code analysis)
  - Comprehensive user and developer documentation
- Allow development and operation using EPICS and other control systems



# NDS Concepts

- C++ Library (device drivers as plugin libraries)
- Device drivers organized as hierarchy of nodes containing
  - Variables (NDS PVs) for communication
  - State machines
- Collection of standard nodes (base classes) covering
  - Analog input (DAQ), waveform generation, digital I/O
  - Timestamp and Future Time Event generation
  - Management of triggers and clocks
- Standard nodes w/ well-defined NDS PVs and functionality
- Adding a driver = new implementation of standard nodes



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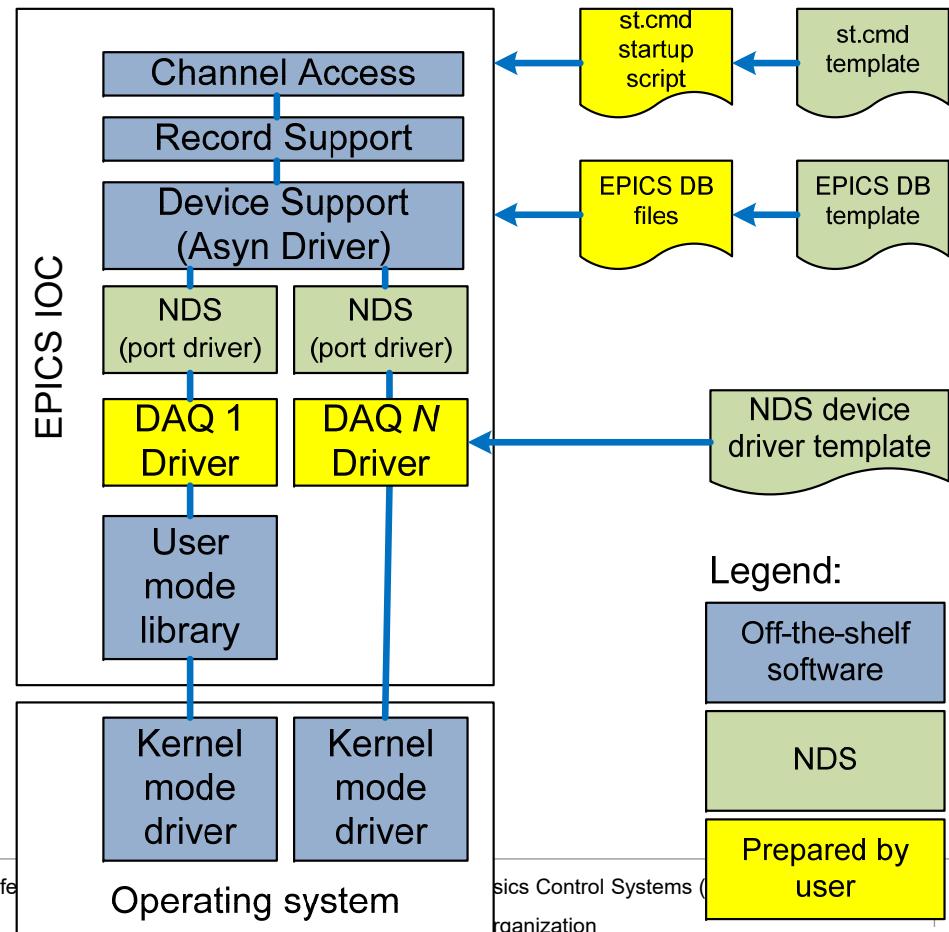


# NDS Concepts

- “Control System” API allows running in different contexts
  - Inside a test fixture
  - Inside an EPICS IOC
  - Inside a Tango device server – *not tested*
  - Inside the ITER Real-Time-Framework (RTF) – *planned*

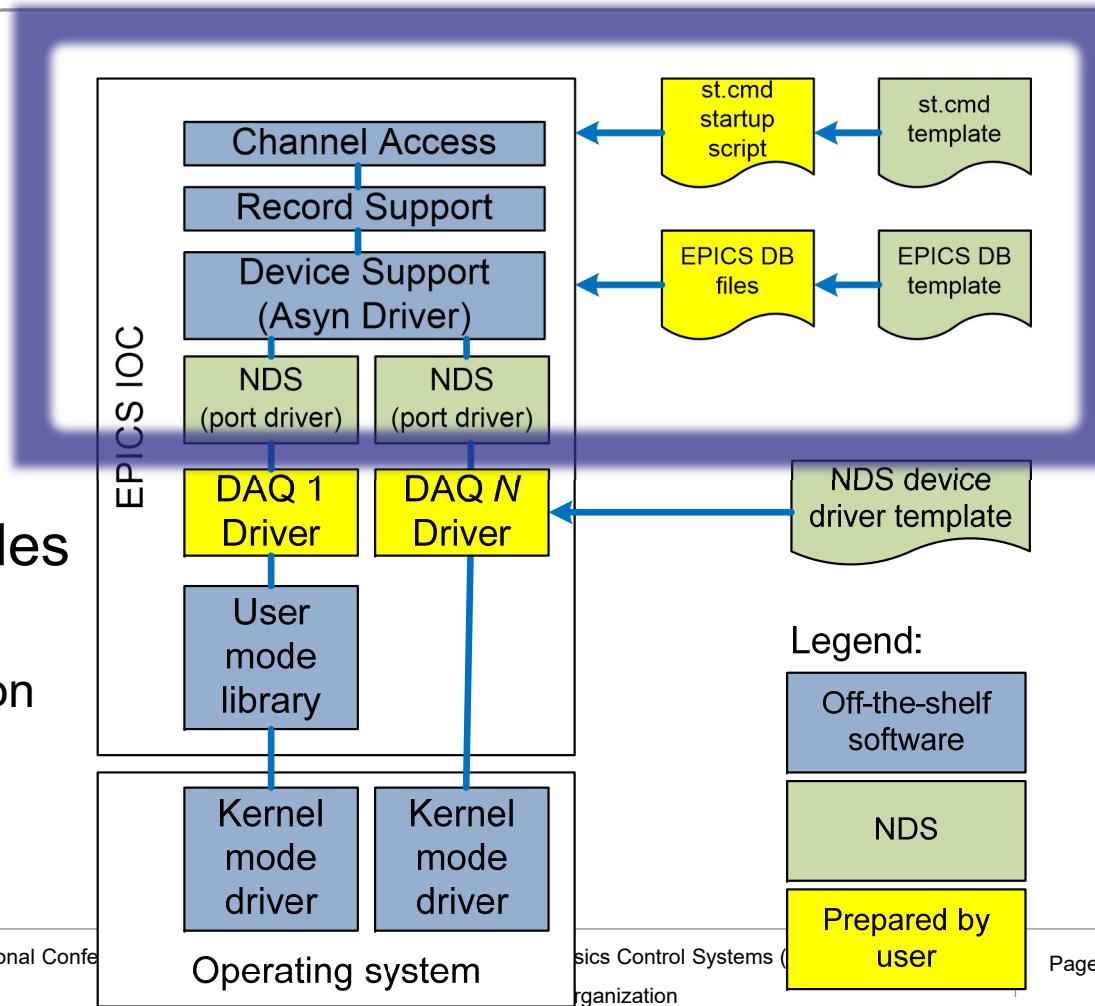
# NDSv3 Device Inside an EPICS IOC

- EPICS Database is used for
  - Configuration
  - Control
  - Monitoring
- Specialized NDS nodes are used for
  - Device communication
  - Hi-perf archiving



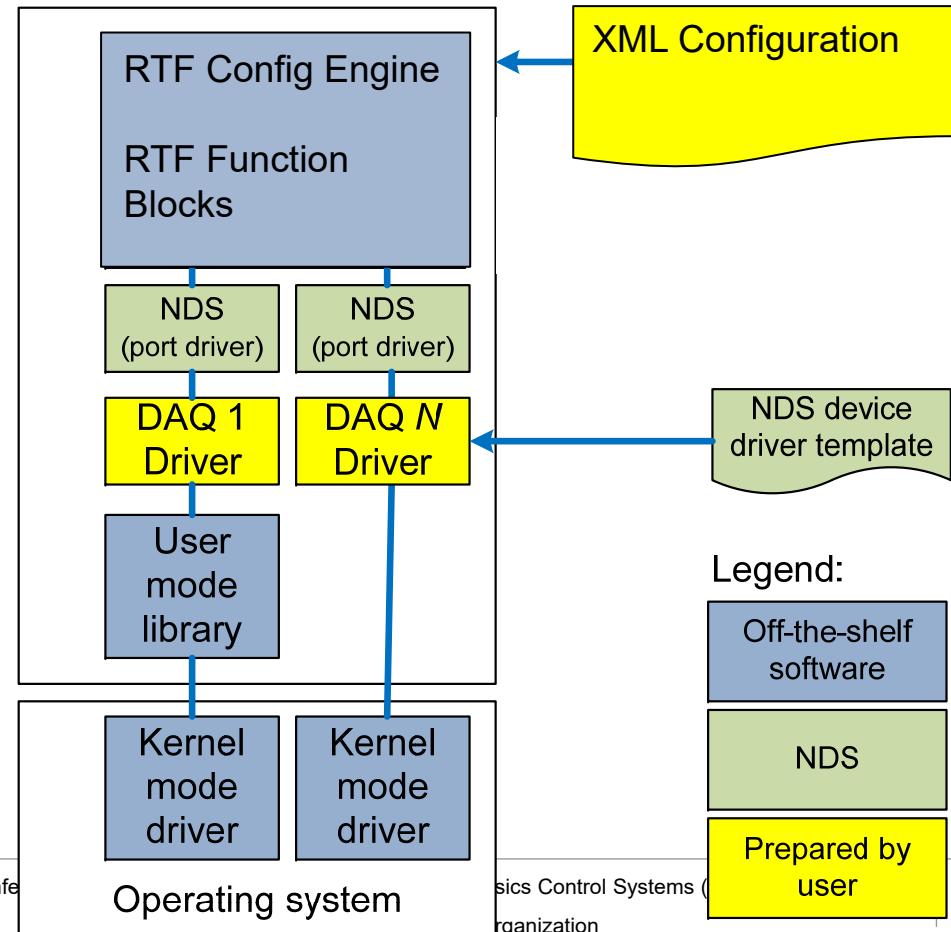
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# NDSv3 Device Inside a Real-Time-Framework Node

- RTF will be used for
  - Configuration
  - Control
  - Monitoring
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# NDS for PXIe Devices

- From the ITER hardware catalog
  - NI PXI6683H: timing (PTP) and triggering
  - NI X-Series (PXIe6363 and 6368): multi-functional DAQ
  - NI FlexRIO with NI5761 module



- Other developments (non-ITER)
  - Teledyne ADQ8/ADQ14 (UKAEA for JET/MAST)



# NDS for MTCA Devices

- ITER supported
  - DMCS PTM1588: timing (PTP) and triggering
  - DMCS MFMC FMC Carrier: multi-functional DAQ
- Other developments
  - Teledyne ADQ8/ADQ14 (UKAEA for JET/MAST)
  - IOxOS IFC\_1410 (ESS)
  - Struck SIS8300 (ESS)

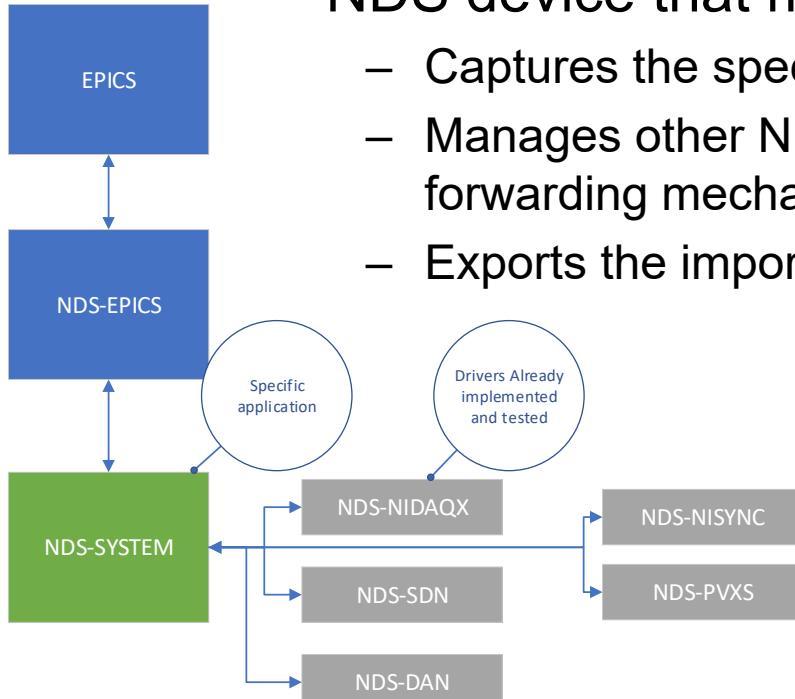


# NDS Plugins: Communication

- NDS-SDN  
Publisher for ITER's real-time communication network
- NDS-DAN  
High-bandwidth stream to ITER's archiving system
- NDS-PVXS  
Integrating COTS devices using EPICS pvAccess
  - Supports read, write, monitor and RPC

# NDS System: Complex Setups

- NDS device that manages other NDS devices
  - Captures the specifics of a complex "measurement"
  - Manages other NDS devices through NDS PV value forwarding mechanisms and hierarchical state machines
  - Exports the important NDS PVs to the control system



## Sample NDS System module features

- NDS-NISYNC: Timing and triggering, Backplane routing
- PXIe6368: DAQ, Waveform generation, digital IO
- PVXS: accessing data on external EPICS IOC
- SDN: combining acquired data, timestamp, external data in a published SDN topic
- Hierarchical state machine to control the system
- OPI panel to interact with the NDS-System
- Archiving to DAN (available Q4 2021)

# NDSv3 for FPGA-Based Systems

- NDS IPIO-OpenCL: UPM in-house development
  - Covers advanced DAQ/processing systems using SoCs and FPGAs
    - Generic NDSv3 driver to interface SoC/FPGA using OpenCL
    - Two platforms:
      - FPGA through PCIe on an INTEL host: Intel FPGA (OpenCL SDK)
      - SoC (ARM cpu + FPGA): XILINX (VITIS) and Intel FPGA (OpenCL SDK)
    - Integrates traditional DAQ applications and HW accelerators for processing
    - Adding machine learning



# Conclusions

- NDSv3 for Diagnostics is in good shape
  - Drivers for basic functionalities for PXIe and MTCA
  - Communication nodes (Real-Time, Archiving, EPICS)
  - Sample application for a complex system
  - Good and comprehensive documentation, high software quality level
  - First users/applications outside of ITER (ESS, UKAEA)
- Thank you!
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