

ODSI Key Achievement:

The Protokernel PIP

PIP - Introduction

- **Goal**: Construct a **flexible, minimal and (mathematically) secure proved kernel** as highest privileged software component (TCB)
- **State of the art**:
 - Small kernel design: microkernel and nanokernel trends in 90s
 - Secure proved: *“proving existing kernels is hard”*
 - Only one open-source secure proved micro-kernel: SeL4

PIP - Design choices (1/2)

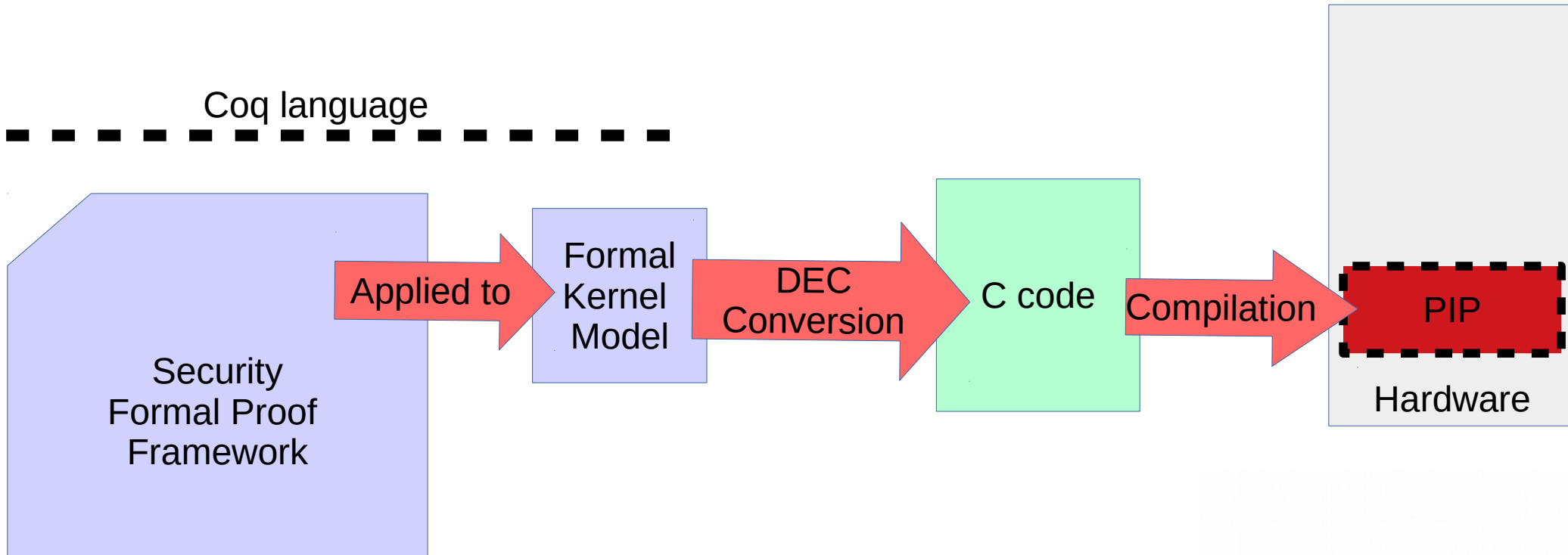
- **Smallest size possible**
 - **smaller proofs**: 200K proofs LoC for 500-1000 LoC
- **Proof oriented**
 - Using a **subset of the formal language CoQ** to describe the kernel model
 - **Same formal language** used for kernel model and associated proofs

PIP - Design choices (2/2)

- **Only memory isolation**
 - Seen as **Hierarchical isolation model**
 - Flexible for security model
- **Model to C translation**
 - Keeping semantic at “*instruction-level*”
 - **Proved-translation** via the translator DEC

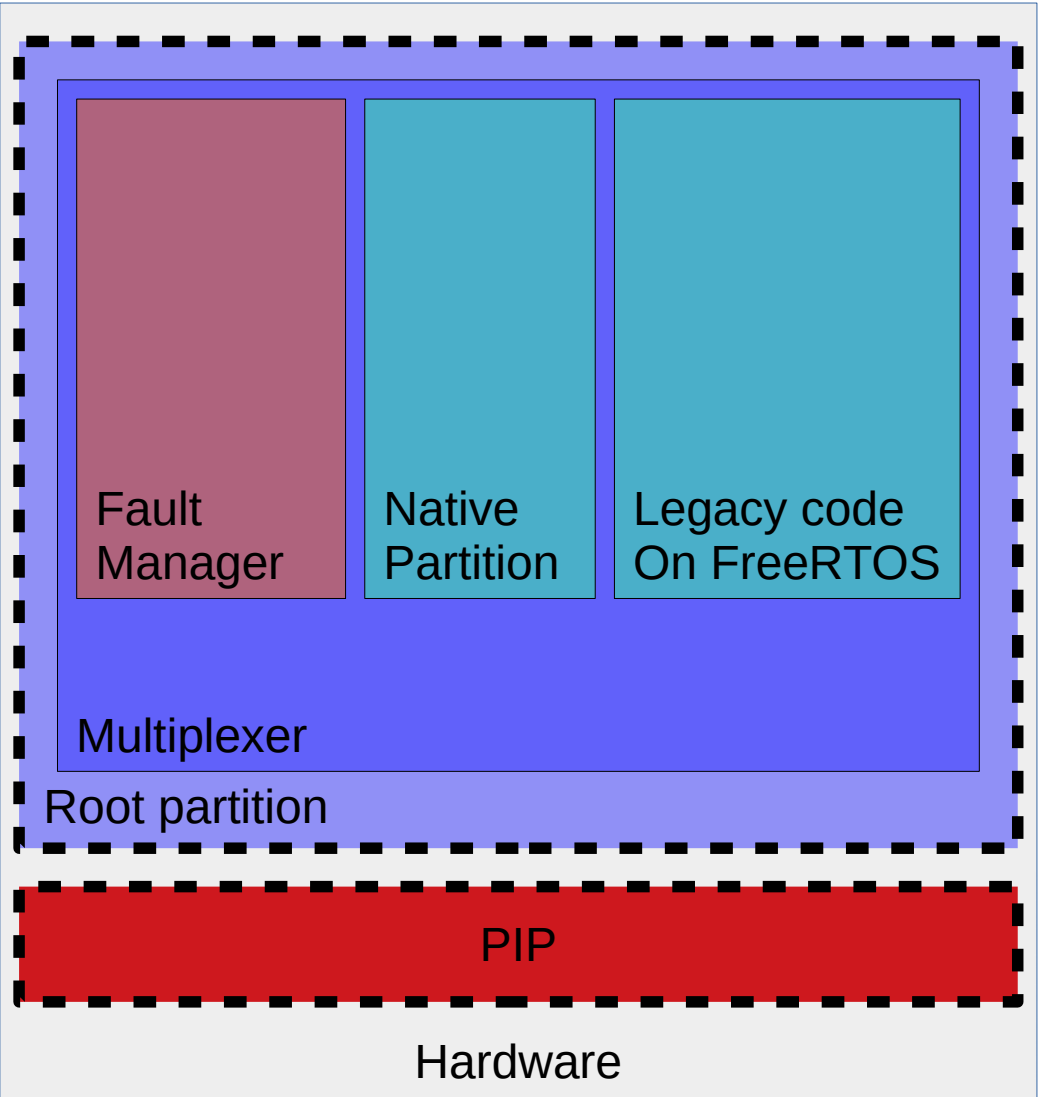
PIP – Development workflow

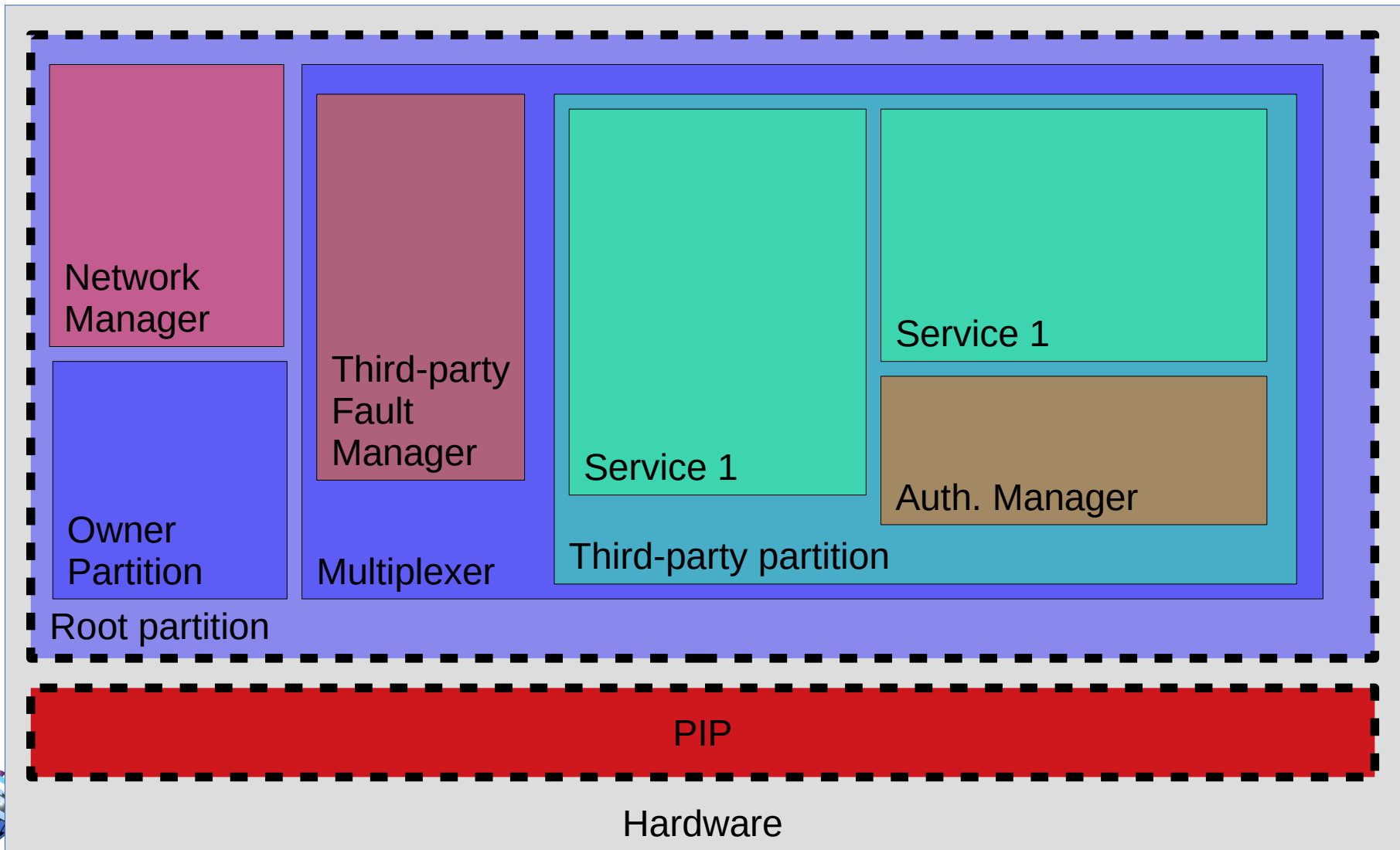
Coq language



PIP - Results

- **PIP is fully functional**
 - Behavior model written in a formal and portable language
 - Target: Intel Gallileo v2
- **FreeRTOS portage**
 - Legacy code can be ported to run on the top of Pip
- **Multiplexer (ORANGE)**
 - Designed to managed faulty partitions





PIP - Bootstrapping an ecosystem

- **PIP is Open Source**
 - Available on github <https://www.github.com/2xs/>
 - v0.3 released last week
- **Workshop ENTROPY 2018 (25th and 26th of January 2018)**
 - PIP has been presented to **security OS research community**
- **Meeting PIP User Club (7th December 2018)**
 - Offering help to **industrial partners** to develop solutions