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- ◆ Main Goal for 3.14 Port iocCore
  - ◆ vxWorks 5.4 (Tornado 2) required
  - ◆ RTEMS Open Source Real Time Operating System
  - ◆ Solaris Solaris 6 and Solaris 8 tested
  - ◆ Linux Redhat 6.1, 6.2, 7.0 tested
  - ♦ Win32 NT
  - Marty Kraimer, Jeff Hill, Janet Anderson, Eric Norum primary developers.

### ♦ Hardware Support

- vxWorks support unbundled
- **♦** Some for RTEMS
- Requires major changes for Unix, Linux, win32





### ◆ Not Supported

- ◆ HPUX
  - ◆ Versions before 11 do not properly support pthreads
  - ◆ Support will require version 11
  - ◆ BESSY (Ralph Lange) is working on the port
- Main Porting Problem is multithreading
  - Good support for pthreads OR
  - ◆ Threads support for implementing epicsThread, epicsMutex, and epicsEvent
- Multithreading now required
  - ◆ iocCore is intrinsically multithreaded
  - ◆ CA is also multithreaded but transparent to existing applications.





- ◆ Supporting many platforms will be a challenge
  - ◆ Each platform has many versions
  - ◆ Many versions of G++
  - ◆ C++ is particular challenge
    - Most implementations still don't fully support standard
    - ◆ Standard C++ library implementations still immature.

#### **♦** Status

- Getting closer to beta.
- ◆ I have tested vxWorks Test stand with many VME I/O modules
- ◆ Encourage users to try Win32, Solaris, Linux soft iocs
- ◆ Killer APPS: Sequencer and LAN Gpib





### **♦** Sequencer

- ◆ Eric Norum & Marty Kraimer started with latest SLAC version
- ♦ Has been tested on all supported alpha2 platforms
- ◆ SLAC is still responsible for Sequencer

### ◆ HP2050 LAN Gpib

- Eric Norum & Marty Kraimer started with latest BESSY release.
- Has been tested on all but winNT.
- ◆ Support for NI1014 only on vxWorks
- Bitbus and bitbus gpib supported on vxWorks
- ◆ BESSY is still responsible for GPIB.





- Additional Features for 3.14
  - ◆ Large Arrays available in alpha3
    - ◆ St.cmd command: rsrvConfig(bufsize,maxbufs)
    - ◆ Transparent to existing clients but must be relinked
    - ◆ Purpose is ease of use not performance
  - ◆ Multipriority CA servers not yet implemented
    - ◆ Client must request, i.e. not transparent to existing clients.
    - ◆ Provides incremential improvement for performance degradatation
  - ◆ No other new features for 3.14