

Amlogic Quad-core A55
RAM: 4GB
ROM: 64GB
WIFI: 2.4/5Ghz
2A@5V DC

F3X S905X3

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internal photos:

<https://fccid.io/2AVBM-A95XF3AIR/Internal-Photos/Internal-photos-4583382.pdf>

armbian

<https://www.armbian.com/amlogic-s9xx-tv-box/>

boot from sd card doesn't work, button is hidden inside phone connector, and is very stiff.

scdard

```
dpavlin@nuc:~$ sudo fdisk -l /dev/mmcblk0
Disk /dev/mmcblk0: 14.88 GiB, 15978201088 bytes, 31207424 sectors
Units: sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes
Disklabel type: dos
Disk identifier: 0x2a327079
```

Device	Boot	Start	End	Sectors	Size	Id	Type
/dev/mmcblk0p1		8192	1056767	1048576	512M	ea	Linux extended boot
/dev/mmcblk0p2		1056768	4218879	3162112	1.5G	83	Linux

```
dpavlin@nuc:~$ sudo mount /dev/mmcblk0p1 /tmp/a95x-boot/
[Tue Sep 2 19:53:40 2025] mmc0: cannot verify signal voltage switch
dpavlin@nuc:~$ cd /tmp/a95x-boot/
dpavlin@nuc:/tmp/a95x-boot$ [Tue Sep 2 19:53:50 2025] mmc0: cannot verify signal voltage switch

dpavlin@nuc:/tmp/a95x-boot$ ls
[Tue Sep 2 19:53:54 2025] mmc0: cannot verify signal voltage switch
aml_autoscript          dtb                    initrd.img-6.12.43-current-meson64  u-boot-s905x
```

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boot.bmp                emmc_autoscript  s905_autoscript    u-boot-s905x
build-u-boot            extlinux         System.map-6.12.43-current-meson64  u-boot-s905x
config-6.12.43-current-meson64  Image           u-boot-s905        u-boot-s905x
```

```
root@nuc:/tmp/a95x-boot/extlinux# ls -al ../dtb/amlogic/*x3*
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 40278 Aug 22 05:10 ../dtb/amlogic/meson-gxl-s905w-tx3-mini.dtb
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 77285 Aug 22 05:10 ../dtb/amlogic/meson-sm1-ugoos-x3.dtb
```

```
root@nuc:/tmp/a95x-boot/extlinux# vi extlinux.conf
```

```
root@nuc:/tmp/a95x-boot# cp u-boot-s905x3-ugoosx3 u-boot.ext
```

dead

device draws only 70mA from 5.2V 2A power supply (verified using [DPS5005](#)).

<https://photos.google.com/photo/AF1QipMGIbl49ukEsx0OgqaPwIROT3civUe-7qfEOt3->

LED display

this device has interesting DVD-like LED display with HT1628 DVD driver chip and some transistors (maybe level shifters since chip is 5V ?)

<https://photos.google.com/photo/AF1QipOfJtafYiOvS0QW2uX-rFwruJ3wCz7pZtsZ6qNq>

LED strip

<https://photos.google.com/photo/AF1QipMqXN8R4eBN2uQCzwUvn2ZtoBKnsJgQAE1ctr9J>

it has three wire led strip of 15 leds (ws2812 maybe?) with three wires and SOIC8 chip on it.

serial

4 pins on bottom of board

1. GND (pin marked with square on board)
2. TX
3. RX
4. 3V3 (?)

serial output:

```
SM1:BL:511f6b:81ca2f;FEAT:B2F839B2:202B2060;POC:F;RCY:0;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0
LOOP:1;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:20000;USB:8;
LOOP:2;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:20000;USB:8;
LOOP:3;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:20000;USB:8;
LOOP:4;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:20000;USB:8;
LOOP:5;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:20000;USB:8;
LOOP:6;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:20000;USB:8;
```

with sd card inserted

```
SM1:BL:511f6b:81ca2f;FEAT:B2F839B2:202B2060;POC:F;RCY:0;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;
LOOP:1;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:0;SD:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;USB:8;
LOOP:2;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:0;SD:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;USB:8;
LOOP:3;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:0;SD:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;USB:8;
LOOP:4;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;SD?:0;SD:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;USB:8;
SM1:BL:511f6b:81ca2f;FEAT:B2F839B2:202B2060;POC:F;RCY:0;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;
SM1:BL:511f6b:81ca2f;FEAT:B2F839B2:202B2060;POC:F;RCY:0;EMMC:0;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;CHK:1F;READ:0;
```

u-boot

<https://github.com/hexdump0815/u-boot-misc/blob/master/readme.gxy>

usb boot

<https://github.com/superna9999/pyamlboot/tree/master>

soc bypass

<https://fredericb.info/2016/10/amlogic-s905-soc-bypassing-not-so.html>

android image unpack in search for bootloader

```
dpavlin@nuc:/nuc/amlogic/utils$ git remote -v
origin https://github.com/khadas/utils.git (fetch)
origin https://github.com/khadas/utils.git (push)

dpavlin@nuc:/nuc/amlogic/utils$ ./aml_image_v2_packer -d ~/Downloads/a95x/A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk
[Msg]Image package version 0x2
[Msg]Unpack item [USB , DDR] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/DDR.USB) size:1330
[Msg]Unpack item [USB , DDR_ENC] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/DDR_ENC.USB) size:
[Msg]Backup item [USB , UBOOT] backItemId[0][USB, DDR]
[Msg]Unpack item [USB , UBOOT_ENC] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/UBOOT_ENC.USB) siz
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , _aml_dtb] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/_aml_dtb.PARTITION)
[Msg]Unpack item [UBOOT , aml_sdc_burn] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/aml_sdc_burn.UBOOT)
[Msg]Unpack item [UBOOT.ENC , aml_sdc_burn] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/aml_sdc_burn.UBOOT)
[Msg]Unpack item [ini , aml_sdc_burn] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/aml_sdc_burn.ini)
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , boot] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/boot.PARTITION) si
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , bootloader] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/bootloader.PARTITI
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , dtbo] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/dtbo.PARTITION) si
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , logo] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/logo.PARTITION) si
[Msg]Unpack item [dtb , meson1] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/meson1.dtb) size:7
[Msg]Backup item [dtb , meson1_ENC] backItemId[4][PARTITION, _aml_dtb]
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , odm] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/odm.PARTITION) siz
[Msg]Unpack item [conf , platform] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/platform.conf) siz
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , product] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/product.PARTITION)
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , recovery] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/recovery.PARTITION)
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , system] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/system.PARTITION)
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , vbmeta] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/vbmeta.PARTITION)
[Msg]Unpack item [PARTITION , vendor] to (A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/vendor.PARTITION)
[Msg]Write config file "A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk/image.cfg" OK!
Image unpack OK!
```

let's write bootloader to sdcard

```
root@nuc:/nuc/amlogic/utils/A95X_F3_AIR_20191024senk# ~dpavlin/dd.sh aml_sdc_burn.UBOOT.ENC /dev/
+ dd iflag=fullblock oflag=direct conv=fsync status=progress bs=1M if=aml_sdc_burn.UBOOT.ENC of=/
1+1 records in
1+1 records out
1330688 bytes (1.3 MB, 1.3 MiB) copied, 0.491506 s, 2.7 MB/s
```

power up, 230-300 mA power draw, leds are cyan with blue vertical strip, passing from right to left, and LCD screen has boot on it.