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# DEVICE DRIVERS

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# THE INSTITUTE

- Directors with over a decade of rich industry experience in Design Development, Training & Recruitment.
- A state-of-the-art Programming Lab with 1:1 student to System ratio.

## PRE REQUISITE

- Good in C Programming and Linux User space

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Participants can attend training with windows/Ubuntu OS machine. (Our lab team will support to install VM Linux)
- All lab activities will be conducted on Raspberry PI platform. Participants can access our VectorRaspberry PI boards remotely for practicals.

## CLASS TIMINGS



**7.00 PM TO 8.30 PM**

**MODE OF TRAINING**



**ONLINE**

**DURATION**

**4 WEEKS**



## DEVICE DRIVERS

Learn Device Drivers programming at Vector India to gain industry-relevant expertise in developing low-level software for hardware interaction, boosting your embedded systems career.

## Why Vector India

**19 yrs**

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# TOPICS

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## **LINUX KERNEL COMPILATION ON X86 DESKTOP MACHINE (OSL FLOW MODEL)**

- **Linux OS (user space) vs Linux Kernel.**
- **Types of Devices in Linux OS.**
- **Kernel Source Tree with git and get commands.**
- **Explore Kernel source tree structure.**
- **Configuring, Building and Installing customized Kernel.**
- **Boot process on X86 machine.**

## **EMBEDDED LINUX**

**Overview of Embedded Linux System Architecture,  
Boot loader, root file system, Boot process on ARM  
Cross compilation, Tool Chain installation.**

## **MODULES & DEVICE DRIVERS**

- **Mechanism vs Policy**
- **How Applications Use Device Drivers**
- **Walking Through a System Call Accessing a Device**
- **Error Numbers**
- **printk()**
- **The module driver() Macros**
- **Module parameters, Exporting Modules**

## **CHARACTER DEVICES**

- **Device Nodes**
- **Major and Minor Numbers**
- **Reserving Major/Minor Numbers**
- **Accessing the Device Node**
- **Registering the Device**
- **udev**
- **dev printk() and Associates**
- **file operations Structure**
- **Driver Entry Points**
- **The file and inode Structures**
- **Miscellaneous Character Drivers**

## **EMBEDDED LINUX BUILD SYSTEM WITH YOCTO**

- **Yocto poky reference build system.**
- **Building a system image.**
- **Writing a minimal recipe, Adding dependencies.**
- **Development workflow with bitbake.**
- **Adding the custom application.**
- **Adding the custom library dependent application.**
- **Adding custom kernel module.**
- **Change the kernel version and apply kernel patches**

## **MEMORY MANAGEMENT AND ALLOCATION**

- **Virtual and Physical Memory, Memory Zones**
- **Page Tables, kmalloc(), get free pages()**
- **vmalloc(), VM Split, VMA basics**
- **Slabs and Cache Allocations**

## **MEMORY MAPPED I/O AND I/O MAPPED I/O**

- **Transferring Between Spaces**
- **put(get) user() and copy to(from) user()**
- **Direct Transfer: Kernel I/O and Memory Mapping**
- **Mapping User Pages, Memory Mapping**
- **User-Space Functions for mmap(), Driver Entry Point for mmap()**
- **Accessing Files from the Kernel, Memory Barriers**
- **Allocating and Mapping I/O Memory, Accessing I/O Memory**

## **INTERRUPT HANDLING**

- **What are Interrupts and Exceptions?**
- **Exceptions, Asynchronous Interrupts, MSI**
- **Enabling/Disabling Interrupts**
- **What You Cannot Do at Interrupt Time**
- **IRQ Data Structures, Installing an Interrupt Handler**
- **Top and Bottom Halves, Softirqs, Tasklets, Work Queues**
- **New Work Queue API, Creating Kernel Threads**
- **Threaded Interrupt Handlers**
- **1.h Interrupt Handling in User-Space**

## UNIFIED DEVICE MODEL AND SYSFS

- Unified Device Model, Basic Structures, Real Devices
- Sysfs, kset and kobject examples

## DEVICE TREES

- What are Device Trees?
- What Device Trees Do and What They Do Not Do
- Device Tree Syntax
- Device Tree Walk Through
- Device Tree Bindings
- Device Tree support in Boot Loaders
- Using Device Tree Data in Drivers
- Coexistence and Conversion of Old Drivers

## PLATFORM DRIVERS

- What are Platform Drivers?
- Main Data Structures, Registering Platform Devices
- An Example, Hardcoded Platform Data
- The New Way: Device Trees



## KERNEL SYNCHRONIZATION

- Critical section, Mutex lock
- Semaphore, Spin lock, Kernel threads
- Synchronization in kernel threads, wait events

## I2C AND SPI CLIENT DRIVER

- I2C subsystem
- I2C Send/Receive data
- SPI Subsystem

## PCI

- What is PCI?
- PCI Device Drivers, Locating PCI Devices
- Accessing Configuration Space
- Accessing I/O and Memory Spaces PCI Express
- PCI DMA, Allocate consistent DMA
- Scatter and gather allocation, PCI interrupt handlers
- PCI utilities

## **USB DRIVERS**

- **What is USB?**
- **USB Topology**
- **Terminology**
- **Endpoints**
- **Descriptors**
- **USB Device Classes**
- **USB Support in Linux**
- **Registering USB Device Drivers**
- **Moving Data**

## **BLOCK DRIVERS**

- **What are Block Drivers?**
- **Buffering**
- **Registering a Block Driver**
- **gendisk Structure**
- **Request Handling**

## **MONITORING AND DEBUGGING**

- **Debuginfo Packages**
- **Tracing and Profiling**
- **Sysctl**
- **SysRq Key**
- **Oops Messages debugging**
- **Kernel Debuggers**
- **Debugfs**
- **Use perf, eBPF, addr2line, kprobe,**
- **Debug with performance utilities,**
- **Explore phoronix utility**
- **Kernel Core Dumps**

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