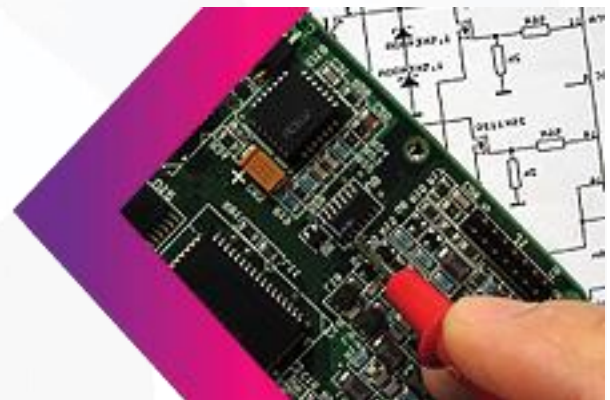
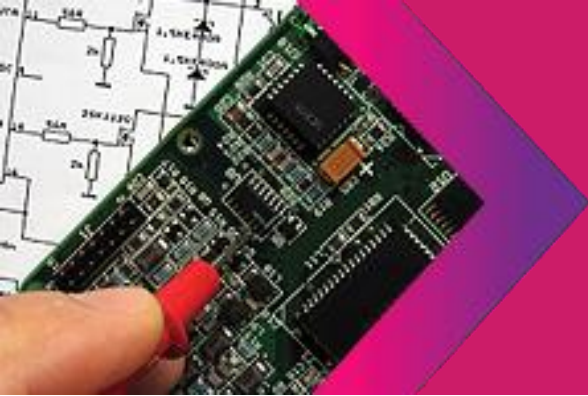




LINUX DEVICE DRIVERS

Weekend Workshop





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Linux Device Drivers - Weekend workshop

- **Objectives:**

- ✓ To get you started with writing device drivers in Linux
- ✓ Provide real time hardware exposure
- ✓ Equip you with real-time tools, debugging techniques and industry usage
- ✓ Special focus on character drivers. Hardware access for ioports and iomem
- ✓ Develop USB device drivers
- ✓ Implement Interrupt Handling and Bottom Halves
- ✓ Become familiar with Block device drivers and PCI driver
- ✓ Learn how to debug the kernel

- **Overview:**

This workshop provides a practical overview about the structure of device drivers, in-depth information about the interface between the device driver and the rest of the Linux kernel, and various practical exercises to develop and test device drivers for major devices in a Linux environment. It also covers the initiators and detailed insights of writing a Device Driver in Linux, focused and aligned towards the industry perspective.

Ideally designed for working professionals to gain device drivers competency by attending weekend sessions.

- **Duration:**

4 days (Two weekends)

- **Platform:**

OS - Ubuntu Linux

Hardware - [Emertxe Linux Device Drivers learning kit SDK](#)

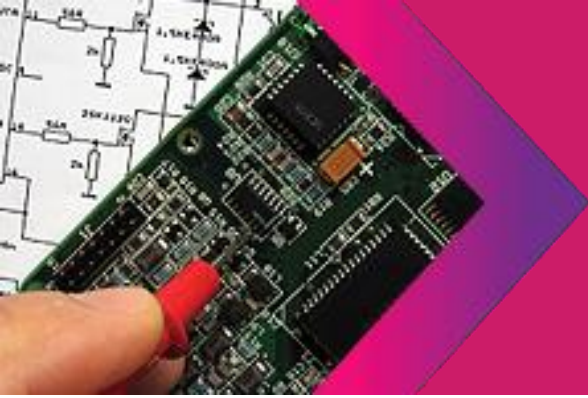
Kernel version - 3.x/4.x

- **Delivery method:**

Workshop based approach delivered in a fast-track

- **Pre-requisites:**

- ✓ Good C & Programming Skills
- ✓ Basic Hands-On Linux Usage
- ✓ Good to have - Understanding of basic File related system calls



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- Detailed course contents:

Day-1:

- ✓ Introduction

- Linux Driver Ecosystem
- The Kernel Source Organization
- Driver Development Environment
- Knowing the commands
- Writing your first driver
- /proc files
- /boot contents

- ✓ Character Drivers:

- Major & Minor Numbers
- Registering & Unregistering
- Device Files & Device Classes
- File Operations & its related Kernel Data Structures
- Special Focus on open, release, read, write
- Memory Access in Kernel Space
- Multiple minors
- Module arguments

Day-2:

- ✓ Hardware Access Mechanisms:

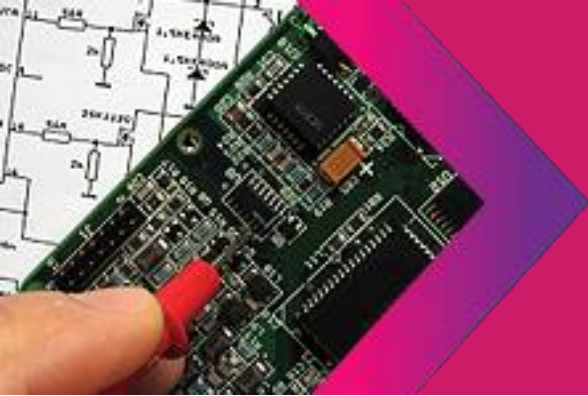
- System Memory
- Device Memory
- I/O Ports
- Getting familiar with “Emertxe's LDD Kit”
- Memory allocation
- ioctl system call
- *Writing a character driver for a serial based device*

- ✓ Interrupts

- IRQs & their Registration
- IRQ Handling & Control
- Soft IRQs
- Top & Bottom Halves
- *Illustration of Interrupt handler of Keyboard device (i8042 controller)*

- ✓ Time keeping, Delays, and deferred work

- Time since bootup
- Knowing the Current Time
- Delaying Execution
- Kernel Timers



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- Tasklets
- Workqueues
- *Illustration of these concepts using demo drivers*

Day 3:

✓ Concurrency

- Concurrency and Its Management
- Semaphores and Mutexes
- Spinlocks
- Alternatives to Locking
- Other Synchronization mechanisms
- *Illustration of these concepts using demo drivers*

✓ USB Drivers

- USB Device Layout
- USB Driver Layout
- USB Core & Sysfs
- USB Driver Registration
- USB Device Hot-plug-ability
- URB & its Operations
- Special Focus on Control & Bulk Transfers
- Loading the firmware for Emertxe LDD kit.
- *Implementation of USB driver for CDC-ACM*

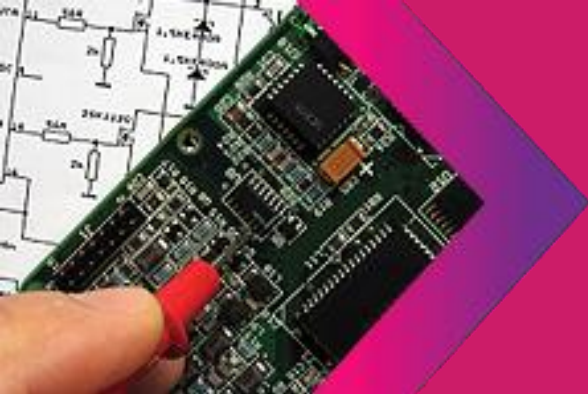
Day 4:

✓ Block Drivers

- Driver Registration
- Disk Drive Registration
- Block Device Operations & its related Kernel DS
- Request Queues & their Processing
- Creating partitions
- Implementation of memory based block driver
- Testing the block driver using dd command
- Associating a file system driver with block driver (mounting)

✓ PCI Driver

- PCI Interface
- PCI Configuration Space
- PCI Driver Registration
- PCI Device Access & Operations



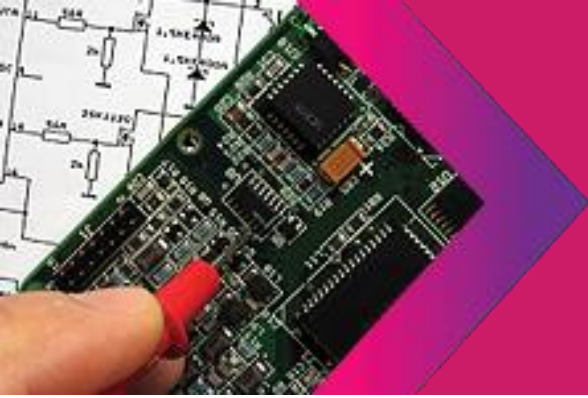
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✓ Debugging

- Debugging Support in the Kernel
- Debugging by Printing
- Debugging by Querying
- Debugging by Watching
- Debugging using kdb

• Hands-on session details:

- ✓ The Driver specific Commands & Tools
- ✓ Setting up the Driver Development Environment
 - Understanding Kernel's Build System
 - Writing your Makefile
 - Adding a driver to kernel
- ✓ Writing your “first” Driver
- ✓ Writing various Character Drivers
 - Null Driver
 - Memory Based Driver
 - Multiple minors
 - Module parameters
- ✓ UART (Hardware) Based Drivers
 - Char drivers using UART to apply char driver concepts
 - Implementing ioctl function
- ✓ Understanding the USB Ecosystem
 - Walk through of Procfs & Sysfs in relation of USB
 - Understanding the USB Device entries
 - Interfacing with the USB Core
 - Reading USB cdc adm class specification
- ✓ Writing a USB Driver
 - USB Driver & Device Registration
 - Hot-plug-ability: probe and disconnect
 - Bulk Transfers & Various System Calls
 - USB driver for peripherals on Emertxe's LDD kit
- ✓ Interrupt implementation using deferred execution
- ✓ Concurrency management using mutex, semaphores
- ✓ Memory based Block Driver



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- ✓ Implementation a char based PCI driver
- ✓ Using kdb debugger
- ✓ Creating proc entries for a driver

• Workshop Highlights:

- *Platform: x86-based*
- *Kernel: Version 3.x / 4.x*
- *Drivers: For Real Hardware*
- *Special Focus: Live hands-on with Character and USB “Device” Drivers*
- *Kernel debugging using various techniques*



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