

Steps

I have designed two kernel modules as required for the project. The first one which reports *jiffies* after viewing the proc file using *cat*. And the second one which reports the seconds elapsed since the kernel module was loaded.

In the first module design I have included the required libraries at first to my code. Then, I created *proc_init* and *proc_exit* to be my module entry and exit points. Finally, in *proc_read* I have printed *jiffies* to the user space buffer as required.

In the second kernel design I have included the required libraries to use *jiffies* and *HZ* and I have used 3 unsigned long variables to calculate the seconds elapsed since the kernel module was loaded. As I have subtracted the *jiffies* when the module was loaded from the *jiffies* when I used *cat* command and divided the total over *HZ* to get the number of seconds.

I have written some lines in the *Makefile* to compile the module and to generate the .ko file which will be inserted to the kernel.

Code

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Task 1
<a href="https://example.com/red/">.c file</a>
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```
#include linux/init.h>
#include linux/kernel.h>
#include linux/module.h>
#include <linux/proc_fs.h>
#include linux/uaccess.h>
#include <linux/jiffies.h>
#define BUFFER_SIZE 128
#define PROC_NAME "jiffies"
ssize_t proc_read(struct file *file, char __user *usr_buf, size_t count, loff_t *pos);
static struct file_operations proc_ops = {
       .owner = THIS_MODULE,
       .read = proc_read,
};
```

```
int proc_init(void){
       proc_create(PROC_NAME, 0666, NULL, &proc_ops);
       return 0;
}
void proc_exit(void){
       remove_proc_entry(PROC_NAME, NULL);
}
ssize_t proc_read(struct file *file, char __user *usr_buf, size_t count, loff_t *pos){
       int rv = 0;
       char buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
       static int completed = 0;
       if (completed){
              completed = 0;
              return 0;
       }
       completed = 1;
       rv = sprintf (buffer, "%lu \n", jiffies);
       copy_to_user(usr_buf, buffer, rv);
       return rv;
}
module_init(proc_init);
```

```
module_exit(proc_exit);
MODULE_LICENSE("GPL");
MODULE_DESCRIPTION("Hello Module");
MODULE_AUTHOR("SGG");
<u>Makefile</u>
obj-m += Task1.o
KDIR = /lib/modules/$(shell uname -r)/build
PWD = \$(shell pwd)
all:
      $(MAKE) -C $(KDIR) M=$(PWD) modules
install:
      $(MAKE) -C $(KDIR) M=$(PWD) modules_install
%:
      M=\mathbb{P}(MAKE) - C (KDIR) M = \mathbb{P}(PWD)
```

Task 2 .c file

```
#include <linux/init.h>
#include linux/kernel.h>
#include linux/module.h>
#include <linux/proc_fs.h>
#include ux/uaccess.h>
#include linux/jiffies.h>
#include <asm/param.h>
#define BUFFER_SIZE 128
#define PROC_NAME "seconds"
unsigned long start = 0;
unsigned long end = 0;
unsigned long \sec = 0;
ssize_t proc_read(struct file *file, char __user *usr_buf, size_t count, loff_t *pos);
static struct file_operations proc_ops = {
       .owner = THIS_MODULE,
       .read = proc_read,
};
```

```
int proc_init(void){
       proc_create(PROC_NAME, 0666, NULL, &proc_ops);
       start = jiffies;
       return 0;
}
void proc_exit(void){
       remove_proc_entry(PROC_NAME, NULL);
}
ssize_t proc_read(struct file *file, char __user *usr_buf, size_t count, loff_t *pos){
       int rv = 0;
       char buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
       static int completed = 0;
       end = jiffies;
       sec = (end - start) / HZ;
       if (completed){
              completed = 0;
              return 0;
       }
       completed = 1;
       rv = sprintf (buffer, "%lu \n", sec);
       copy_to_user(usr_buf, buffer, rv);
       return rv;
}
```

```
module_init(proc_init);
module_exit(proc_exit);
MODULE_LICENSE("GPL");
MODULE_DESCRIPTION("Hello Module");
MODULE_AUTHOR("SGG");
Makefile
obj-m += Task2.o
KDIR = /lib/modules/$(shell uname -r)/build
PWD = $(shell pwd)
all:
     $(MAKE) -C $(KDIR) M=$(PWD) modules
install:
     $(MAKE) -C $(KDIR) M=$(PWD) modules_install
%:
     M=PWD) = (PWD)
```

Screen Shots

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ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~$ cd Desktop/Project/
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project$ cd Task1
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$ gedit Task1.c
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$ gedit Makefile
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$ make
make -C /lib/modules/4.15.0-142-generic/build M=/home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task
1 modules
make[1]: Entering directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-4.15.0-142-generic'
  CC [M] /home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task1/Task1.o
  Building modules, stage 2.
  MODPOST 1 modules
          /home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task1/Task1.mod.o
  CC
  LD [M] /home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task1/Task1.ko
make[1]: Leaving directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-4.15.0-142-generic'
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$ sudo insmod Task1.ko
[sudo] password for ahmed:
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$ cat /proc/jiffies
10086040
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$ sudo rmmod Task1.ko
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task1$
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ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project$ cd Task2
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ gedit Task2.c
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ gedit Makefile
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ make
make -C /lib/modules/4.15.0-142-generic/build M=/home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task
2 modules
make[1]: Entering directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-4.15.0-142-generic'
  CC [M] /home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task2/Task2.o
  Building modules, stage 2.
 MODPOST 1 modules
          /home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task2/Task2.mod.o
 CC
          /home/ahmed/Desktop/Project/Task2/Task2.ko
 LD [M]
make[1]: Leaving directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-4.15.0-142-generic'
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ sudo insmod Task2.ko
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ cat /proc/seconds
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ cat /proc/seconds
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$ sudo rmmod Task2.ko
ahmed@ahmed-VirtualBox:~/Desktop/Project/Task2$
```

Key Points

- I have learnt how to design a kernel module and how to insert it into the kernel.
- I have identified the difference between *printf*, *printk* and *sprintf* while coding in *C*.
- I dealt with /proc file system and I created /proc files to solve my assignments.
- I have included many important *Linux* libraries to enable me to deal with kernel.
- I made use of *jiffies* and *HZ* to design a module that calculates the number seconds elapsed since a module is loaded into a kernel.