Lab 3: Building Linux Kernel and Controlling an I²C Device

Due Date: See the course schedule web page.

Objectives

- Understand I²C bus protocol
- Be able to control an I²C device using Linux on a Galileo board
- Be able to capture, store and process camera images on Linux

Description

You should now have a working sensor device interfaced with the Galileo development board via GPIO ports. We would like to add a couple of new devices to the system so that your embedded system has richer functions. The devices are as follows:

- (1) A temperature sensor (TMP102). This is an I²C device that measures ambient temperature to a resolution of 0.0625°C. The IC is provided on a breakout board for easy connection. Its details can be found in [3].
- (2) A gesture sensor (APDS9960). This is an I²C device that supports gesture detection, proximity detection and many advanced features. The IC is also provided on a breakout board for easy connection. Its details can be found in [4]. {Required only for students in EECE.5520}
- (3) A USB webcam to capture images and videos

This lab consists of three objectives:

(1) programming I²C devices from Linux. You will be provided a Linux image and file system, and use them to boot your Galileo with an updated MicroSD card. Once you have Linux running on Galileo, you can then program the I²C devices using Linux I²C libraries and APIs.

Note: The gesture sensor is required only for students in EECE.5520.

- (2) programming on Linux to access webcam and capture images. Store the images on the SD card and prepare for further processing (in lab 4).
- (3) use temperature sensor or gesture sensor to trigger the capture of images from webcam. You need to define a threshold and check if the sensor data exceed the threshold. If so, capture images and save them to the file system.

Connecting I²C devices to Galileo

Refer to datasheets for the schematic. Your I²C devices should be connected to A4 (SDA) and A5 (SCL) of Galileo's expansion I/O ports. For Galileo Gen 1 "gpio29" must be set to zero to setup the multiplexors properly. For Galileo Gen 2 "gpio60" is the MUX to clear. (Refer to the Galileo Gen1 or Gen2 Linux GPIO pin diagram).

You do not have to wire the pull-up resistors for the I²C bus since the breakout boards already have them.

Programming I²C Devices from Linux

Linux has mature I²C drivers and libraries for programming I2C devices. Please refer to the official documentation on I2C development

https://www.kernel.org/doc/Documentation/i2c/dev-interface

There are also other related tutorials, for example

http://blog.chrysocome.net/2013/03/programming-i2c.html

Programming webcam and connecting Wifi on Linux

Instructions are given in a text file as a part of the github repo: https://github.com/yanluo-uml/micro2/
You need to use git command to make a copy of the repository: git clone https://github.com/yanluo-uml/micro2/

Deliverables

A zipped file containing

- 1. Schematic of the design (in both native and pdf formats)
- 2. Source code (for Galileo Linux)
- 3. Reports

References

[1] The Linux images for Galileo,

https://software.intel.com/en-us/iot/hardware/galileo/downloads

[2] Linux I²C documentation.

https://www.kernel.org/doc/Documentation/i2c/dev-interface

- [3] Temperature sensor, https://www.sparkfun.com/products/11931
- [4] Gesture sensor, https://www.sparkfun.com/products/12787