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Linux Kernel Module code (To update and write the hardware time to shared memory)

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// rtc_shm_sync.c
#include <linux/module.h>
#include <linux/kernel.h>
#include <linux/init.h>
#include <linux/fs.h>
#include <linux/cdev.h>
#include <linux/device.h>
#include <linux/slab.h>
#include <linux/time.h>
#include <linux/uaccess.h>
#include <linux/mm.h>
#include <linux/gfp.h>
#include <linux/version.h>
#include <asm/io.h>           // for page_to_pfn()

#define DEVICE_NAME "rtc_shm"
#define CLASS_NAME  "rtc_class"
#define SHM_SIZE    PAGE_SIZE

struct rtc_shared_time {
    u64 seconds;
    u32 nanoseconds;
};

static struct page *shared_page;
static void          *shared_time_page;
static dev_t          dev_number;
static struct cdev    rtc_cdev;
static struct class *rtc_class;
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static struct device *rtc_device;

/* open/release no-ops */
static int rtc_open(struct inode *inode, struct file *file) { return 0; }
static int rtc_release(struct inode *inode, struct file *file) { return 0; }

/* mmap: map the single shared page into user space */
static int rtc_mmap(struct file *filp, struct vm_area_struct *vma)
{
    unsigned long pfn = page_to_pfn(shared_page);
    size_t size = vma->vm_end - vma->vm_start;

    if (size > SHM_SIZE)
        return -EINVAL;

    if (remap_pfn_range(vma,
                        vma->vm_start,
                        pfn,
                        size,
                        vma->vm_page_prot)) {
        pr_err("rtc_shm: remap_pfn_range failed\n");
        return -EAGAIN;
    }

    return 0;
}

/* master writes current time into shared memory */
static ssize_t rtc_write(struct file *file, const char __user *buf,
                        size_t count, loff_t *ppos)
{
    struct timespec64 now;
    struct rtc_shared_time *rtc_data = shared_time_page;

    ktime_get_real_ts64(&now);
    rtc_data->seconds = now.tv_sec;
    rtc_data->nanoseconds = now.tv_nsec;

    pr_info("rtc_shm: [WRITE] Master wrote time: %llu.%09u\n",
            rtc_data->seconds, rtc_data->nanoseconds);

    return count;
}

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/* slave reads time, sets system clock, and returns a small message */
static ssize_t rtc_read(struct file *file, char __user *buf,
                        size_t count, loff_t *ppos)
{
    struct rtc_shared_time *rtc_data = shared_time_page;
    char output[80];
    int len;

    /* only allow one read */
    if (*ppos > 0)
        return 0;

    /* sync system clock */
    {
        struct timespec64 ts = {
            .tv_sec = rtc_data->seconds,
            .tv_nsec = rtc_data->nanoseconds
        };
        do_settimeofday64(&ts);
    }

    pr_info("rtc_shm: [READ] Synced system time to: %llu.%09u\n",
            rtc_data->seconds, rtc_data->nanoseconds);

    /* send confirmation to user-space */
    len = snprintf(output, sizeof(output),
                   "Synced to %llu.%09u\n",
                   rtc_data->seconds, rtc_data->nanoseconds);

    if (count < len)
        return -EINVAL;
    if (copy_to_user(buf, output, len))
        return -EFAULT;

    *ppos += len;
    return len;
}

static const struct file_operations rtc_fops = {
    .owner    = THIS_MODULE,

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        .open      = rtc_open,
        .release   = rtc_release,
        .write     = rtc_write,
        .read      = rtc_read,
        .mmap      = rtc_mmap,
};

static int __init rtc_shm_init(void)
{
    int ret;

    /* allocate one contiguous page */
    shared_page = alloc_page(GFP_KERNEL);
    if (!shared_page)
        return -ENOMEM;
    shared_time_page = page_address(shared_page);

    /* register char device */
    ret = alloc_chrdev_region(&dev_number, 0, 1, DEVICE_NAME);
    if (ret)
        goto free_page;

    cdev_init(&rtc_cdev, &rtc_fops);
    ret = cdev_add(&rtc_cdev, dev_number, 1);
    if (ret)
        goto unregister_chrdev;

#ifdef LINUX_VERSION_CODE >= KERNEL_VERSION(6, 4, 0)
    rtc_class = class_create(DEVICE_NAME);
#else
    rtc_class = class_create(THIS_MODULE, CLASS_NAME);
#endif
    if (IS_ERR(rtc_class)) {
        ret = PTR_ERR(rtc_class);
        goto del_cdev;
    }

    rtc_device = device_create(rtc_class, NULL, dev_number, NULL, DEVICE_NAME);
    if (IS_ERR(rtc_device)) {
        ret = PTR_ERR(rtc_device);
        goto destroy_class;
    }
}

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    pr_info("rtc_shm: Module loaded, /dev/%s ready\n", DEVICE_NAME);
    return 0;

destroy_class:
    class_destroy(rtc_class);
del_cdev:
    cdev_del(&rtc_cdev);
unregister_chrdev:
    unregister_chrdev_region(dev_number, 1);
free_page:
    __free_page(shared_page);
    return ret;
}

static void __exit rtc_shm_exit(void)
{
    device_destroy(rtc_class, dev_number);
    class_destroy(rtc_class);
    cdev_del(&rtc_cdev);
    unregister_chrdev_region(dev_number, 1);
    __free_page(shared_page);

    pr_info("rtc_shm: Module unloaded\n");
}

module_init(rtc_shm_init);
module_exit(rtc_shm_exit);

MODULE_LICENSE("GPL");
MODULE_AUTHOR("Kartik Hegde");
MODULE_DESCRIPTION("RTC synchronization over shared memory across partitions");

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Program to read from the shared memory

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>
#include <stdint.h>

struct rtc_shared_time {
    uint64_t seconds;
    uint32_t nanoseconds;
};

int main() {
    int fd = open("/dev/rtc_shm", O_RDWR);
    if (fd < 0) {
        perror("open");
        return 1;
    }

    struct rtc_shared_time *rtc_time = mmap(NULL, getpagesize(),
                                             PROT_READ | PROT_WRITE,
                                             MAP_SHARED, fd, 0);

    if (rtc_time == MAP_FAILED) {
        perror("mmap");
        close(fd);
        return 1;
    }

    printf("Shared Memory RTC Time:\n");
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printf("  Seconds      : %llu\n", rtc_time->seconds);
printf("  Nanoseconds : %u\n", rtc_time->nanoseconds);

// Optional: manually set system time (for testing)
/*
struct timespec ts = {
    .tv_sec = rtc_time->seconds,
    .tv_nsec = rtc_time->nanoseconds
};
clock_settime(CLOCK_REALTIME, &ts);
*/

munmap(rtc_time, getpagesize());
close(fd);
return 0;
}
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