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Chapter 1: Installing and Configuring OS-9

This chapter describes installing and configuring OS-9 on the MIPS IDT 79S465 4650 and 4700 boards. It includes the following sections:

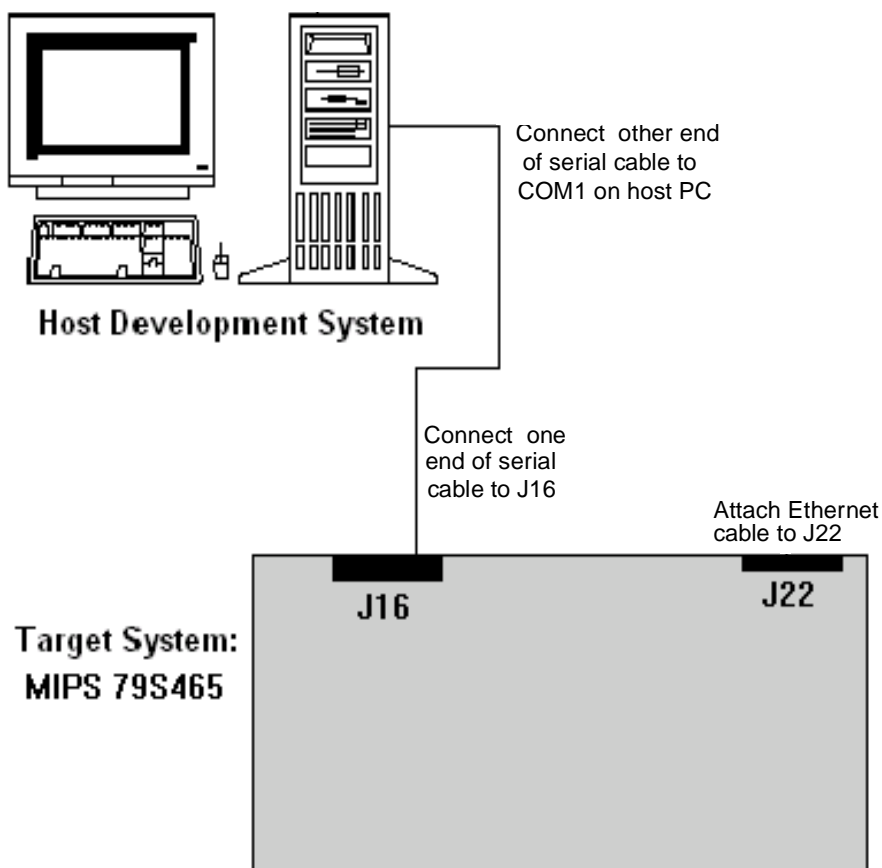
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Development Environment Overview

Figure 1-1 shows a typical development environment for the MIPS board. The components shown include the minimum required to enable OS-9 to run on the MIPS IDT 79S465 board.

Figure 1-1 IDT79S465 Development Environment



Requirements and Compatibility



Note

Before you begin, install the *Enhanced OS-9 for MIPS CD-ROM* on your host PC.

Host Hardware Requirements (PC Compatible)

Your host PC must have the following minimum hardware characteristics:

- 32MB of RAM
- an Ethernet network card

Host Software Requirements (PC Compatible)

Your host PC must have the following software installed:

- Windows 95, 98, ME, 2000, or NT

Target Hardware Requirements

Your MIPS evaluation board requires the following hardware:

- a power supply
- an RS-232 null modem serial cable (for serial console)
- an Ethernet cable or a second RS-232 null modem serial cable (for down-loading programs to the board)

Software Compatibility

OS-9 for MIPS is compatible with the following software:

- Microware OS-9 for MIPS
- Microware Hawk Version 2.0
- Microware SoftStax Version 2.2
- Microware LAN Communications Pak Version 3.3

OS-9 Architecture

The source and example code and makefiles for OS-9 for MIPS are located in the following directory. The directory structure is shown in **Figure 1-2**.

MWOS\OS9000\MIPS64\PORTS\<PROCESSOR>

Figure 1-2 MIPS Directories

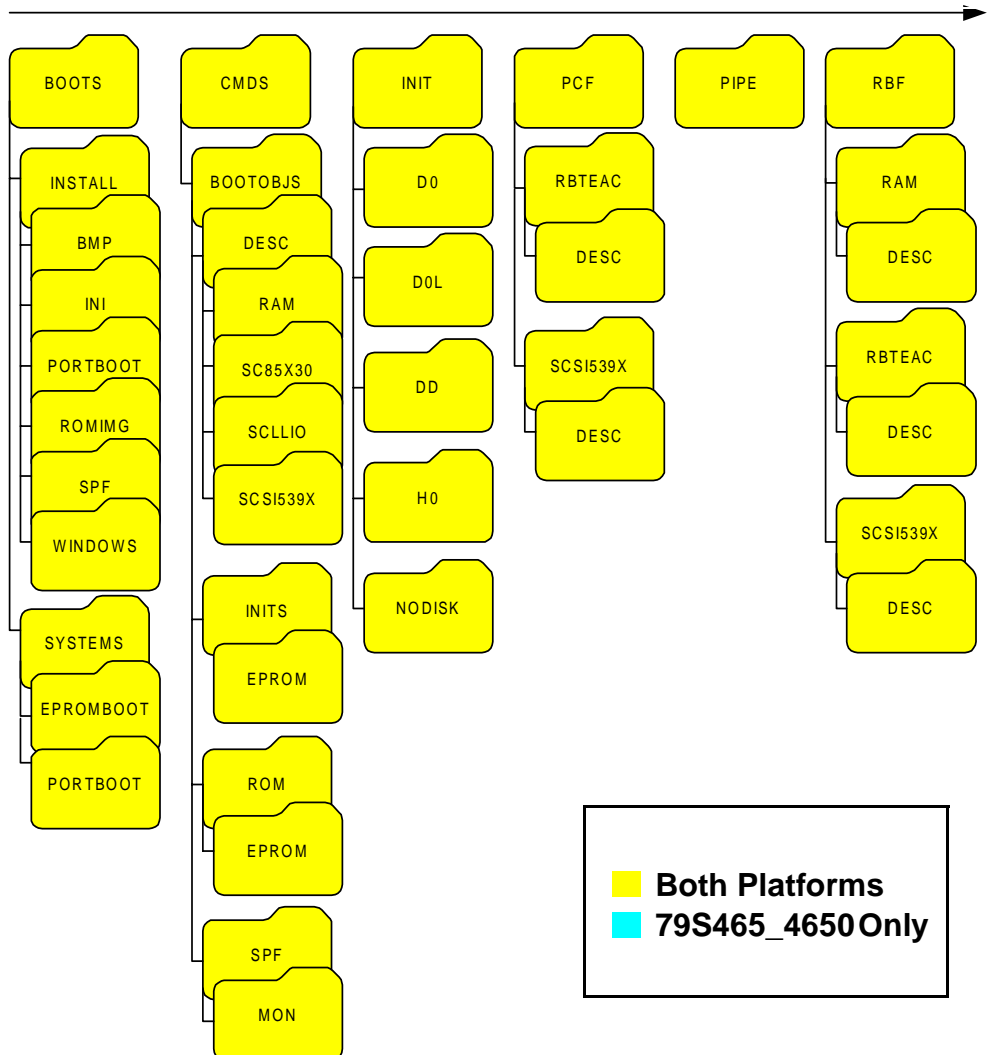
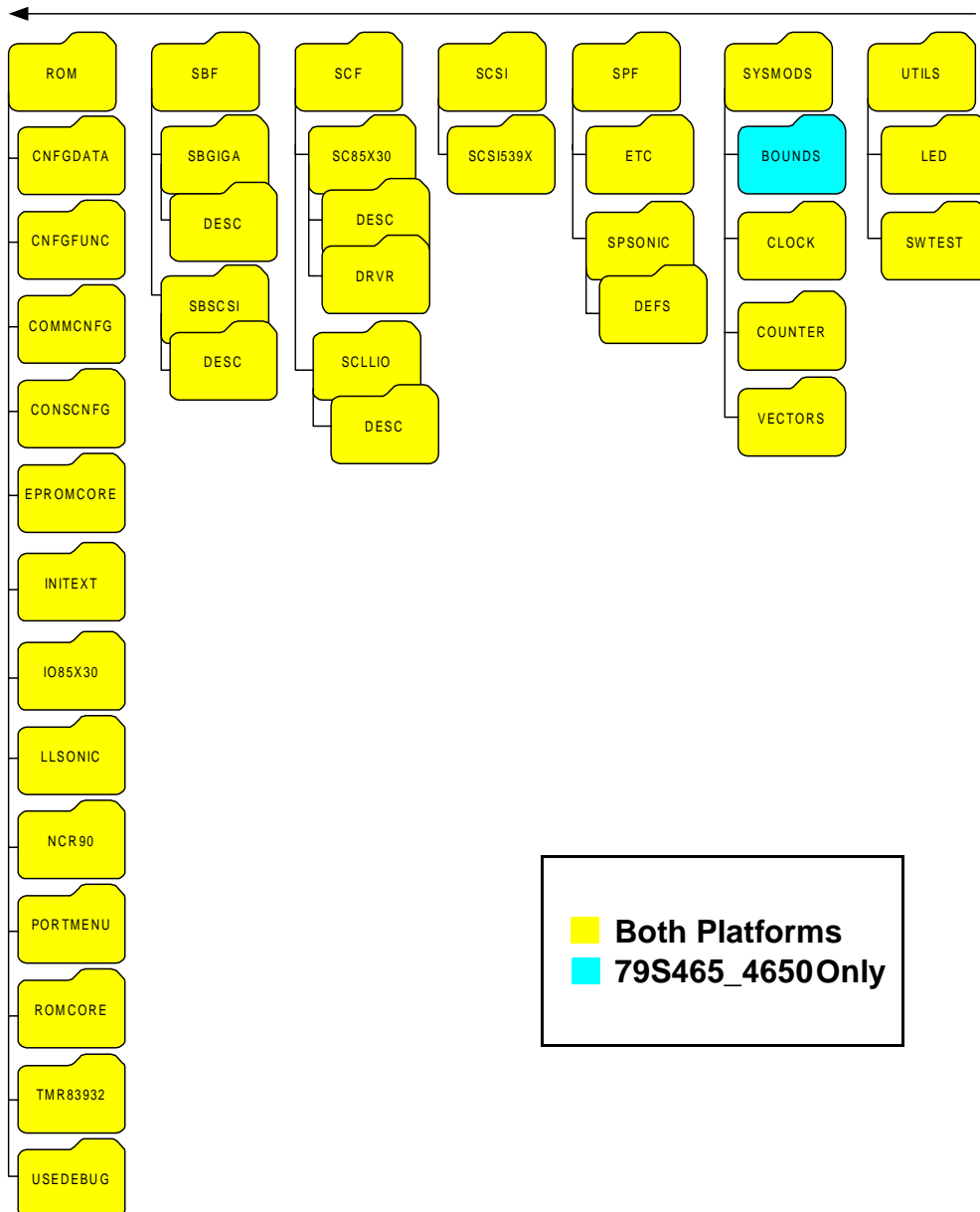


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Target and Host Setup



Note

Before installing and configuring OS-9 on your MIPS evaluation board, refer to the hardware documentation for information on hardware setup.

Settings

The factory default setting for the DIP switches may not work with OS-9. Be sure the DIP jumpers and switches agree with the following settings:

Jumpers

The switch settings described ensure OS-9 will run properly on the reference board. Some switches are factory defaults, others are not.

For more information on the switch's functionality see the **79S465 Hardware User's Manual** that came with your reference board.

J1 (2 and 3 connected)	4MB SRAM
J2 (2 and 3 connected)	4MB SRAM
J3 (2 and 3 connected)	4MB SRAM
J4 (2 and 3 connected)	4MB SRAM
J5 (2 and 3 connected)	4MB SRAM
J6 (2 and 3 connected)	4MB SRAM
J7 (1 and 2 connected)	x32-bit Flash
J8 (2 and 3 connected)	x32-bit Flash
J9 (1 and 2 connected)	4MB DRAM, 64-bit mode
J10 (1 and 2 connected)	4MB DRAM, 64-bit mode

J11 (1 and 2 connected)	4MB DRAM, 64-bit mode
J12 (1 and 2 connected)	4MB DRAM, 64-bit mode
J20 (open)	Int 5 routed to internal R4700 timer
J23 (1 and 2 connected)	SyncIn Routed to CPU
J24 (1 and 2 connected)	Clock for R4700
J25 (open)	Clock for R4700
W1 (1 and 2 connected)	4 MB DRAM
W2 (1 and 2 connected)	4 MB DRAM
W3 (1 and 2 connected)	5V system

Switches

The switch settings described ensure OS-9 will run properly on the reference board. Some switches are factory defaults, others are not. For more information on the switch's functionality see the **79S465 Hardware User's Manual** that came with your reference board.

S1.1 set to ON	R4K write compatible mode.
S1.2 set to ON	Clock divide by 2
S1.3 set to ON	Clock divide by 2
S1.4 set to ON	No connection
S1.5 set to ON	DRAM enabled
S1.6 set to ON	DRAM enabled
S1.7 set to ON	SRAM present and enabled
S1.8 set to OFF	4MB SRAM
S2.1 set to ON	No connection
S2.2 set to ON	No connection
S2.3 set to ON	Clock divide by 2
S2.4 set to OFF	Big Endian
S2.5 set to ON	R4xxx compatible mode

S2.6 set to OFF	64-bit bus mode
S2.7 set to ON	100% CPU output drive strength
S2.8 set to OFF	Int 5 routed to internal R4700 timer

Installing the TFTP Server

This section details the steps involved with setting up the Walusoft TFTP server on your host machine. If you choose to use another TFTP server in place of the Walusoft, be certain to follow its directions and specifications.

To set up the Walusoft TFTP server on your host machine, complete the following steps:

-
- Step 1. Load the product CD into the host machine's CD ROM drive and let the CD autorun. The installer's dialog box appears.
 - Step 2. Select **Walusoft TFTPServer32Pro** from the installer's menu and follow the installer's directions to load the TFTP server on the host machine.
 - Step 3. Start TFTPServer32Pro by selecting **Start -> Programs -> Microware -> TFTPServer-TFTPServer32**. The Walusoft TFTP Server32 Pro splash screen appears. You will need to set up the path to the outbound folder.
 - Step 4. Select **System -> Setup** to display the **Server Options** dialog box.
 - Step 5. Click on the **Outbound** tab and enter one of the following paths in the **Outbound file path** text box.
`<drive>:\mwos\OS9000\MIPS64\PORTS\79S465_4650\BOOTS\INSTALL\PORTBOOT\`
or
`<drive>:\mwos\OS9000\MIPS64\PORTS\79S465_4700\BOOTS\INSTALL\PORTBOOT\`

The path you use depends on which port you select later in the Configuration Wizard. The first path is used with the 79S465_4650 port; the second path is used with the 79S465_4700 port.

- Step 6. Click **OK** to accept the path. The TFTP server is now configured for use with the Configuration Wizard and OS-9.
- Step 7. Minimize the TFTP server window to let the server run in the background.
-

Connecting the Target to the Host

Connecting the IDT 79S465 to your host PC involves attaching the power, serial, and Ethernet cables to the reference board. Once you have the board connected, you can use the serial console in Hawk to verify the serial connection.

Attaching the Cables

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- Step 1. Attach an Ethernet cable to connector J22.
 - Step 2. Connect a serial cable to connector J16 on the IDT 79S465 board. Connector J16 is used for the serial console.
 - Step 3. Connect the other end of the serial cable to COM1 on the host PC. Depending on your PC system, you may need either a straight or a reversed serial cable to make this connection.



Note

If you do not know what type of serial cable your machine uses, try a reversed cable first. If the connection fails (no boot messages appear in the communication program's window), then try a straight serial cable.

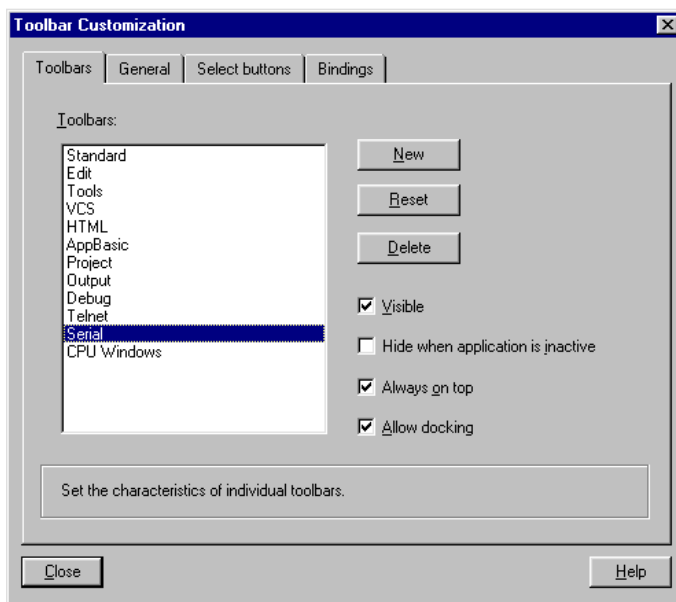
- Step 4. Following the instructions in the ***79S465 Evaluation Board Hardware User's Manual***, attach a PC power supply.
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Booting to the Boot Menu

You may want to boot to the IDT System Integration Manager prompt to verify that your serial cable is connected properly.

- Step 1. From the desktop, click **Start** and select **Programs** -> **Microware** -> **Enhanced OS-9 for MIPS** -> **Hawk** to start the Microware Hawk IDE.
- Step 2. If the **Serial** console window is not open, it can be opened from the **Toolbar Customization** dialog (shown in **Figure 1-3**). (Select **Tools** -> **Customize** -> **Toolbars** to open the **Toolbar Customization** dialog.)

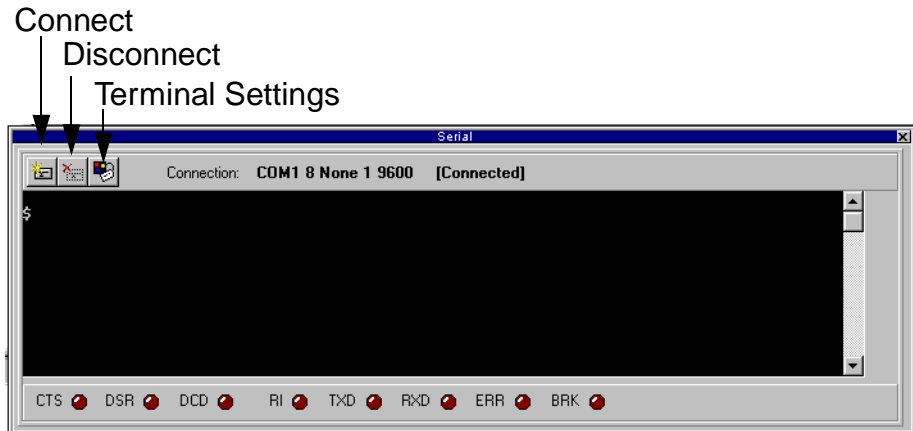
Figure 1-3 Toolbar Customization dialog box



- Step 3. Once the **Toolbar Customization** dialog box is open, select **Serial** in the **Toolbars** list box.

- Step 4. Click the **Visible** check box, then click the **Close** button. The **Serial** console window opens. (The **Serial** window can be seen in **Figure 1-4**.)

Figure 1-4 Hawk Serial Console Window



- Step 5. Once you have the serial console window open, click on the **Connect** button in the upper left corner of the serial console window. The **Com Port Options** dialog box appears.
- Step 6. Click on the **OK** button because the default settings are correct. The message *[Not Connected]* should change to *[Connected]*.
- Step 7. Apply power to the board. The IDT System Integration Manager boots the board. The display looks similar to the following figure.

Figure 1-5 IDT SIM initial screen

```

IDT System Integration Manager Ver. 7.0 Oct, 1996
Copyright 1994, 1995 Integrated Device Technology, Inc.
For Help enter '?'
Memory size: 8126464 (0x7c0000) bytes
Icache size: 16384 (0x4000) bytes, 32/line
Dcache size: 16384 (0x4000) bytes, 32/line
User Memory Space 0xa000f020-0xa07bffc
zeroing out User Memory Space -- done

CPU: R4700. default baud rate: 9600 Register: 64-bit
ENDIAN: Big
<IDT>

```

Building the OS-9 ROM Image

The OS-9 ROM Image is a set of files and modules that collectively make up the OS-9 operating system. The specific ROM Image contents can vary from system to system depending on hardware capabilities and user requirements.

To simplify the process of loading and testing OS-9, the ROM Image is generally divided into two parts—the low-level image, called `coreboot`; and the high-level image, called `bootfile`.

Coreboot

The coreboot image is generally responsible for initializing hardware devices and locating the high-level (or bootfile) image as specified by its configuration. For example from a FLASH part, a harddisk, or Ethernet. It is also responsible for building basic structures based on the image it finds and passing control to the kernel to bring up the OS-9 system.

Bootfile

The bootfile image contains the kernel and other high-level modules (initialization module, file managers, drivers, descriptors, applications). The image is loaded into memory based on the device you select from the boot menu. The bootfile image normally brings up an OS-9 shell prompt, but can be configured to automatically start an application.

Microware provides a Configuration Wizard to create a coreboot image, a bootfile image, or an entire OS-9 ROM Image. The wizard can also be used to modify an existing image. The Configuration Wizard is automatically installed on your host PC during the Enhanced OS-9 installation process.

Using the Configuration Wizard

This section describes using the Configuration Wizard to build the OS-9 ROM image. To open and use the Wizard, complete the following steps:

- Step 1. Click the **Start** button on the Windows desktop.
- Step 2. On the Windows desktop, select **Start --> Programs --> Microware --> Enhanced OS-9 for MIPS --> Configuration Wizard**. You should see the following opening screen.

Figure 1-6 Configuration Wizard Opening Screen



- Step 3. Select the path where the MWOS directory structure is located by clicking the MWOS location button.
- Step 4. Select the target board from the Port Selection pull-down menu.
- Step 5. Select a name for your configuration in the **Configuration Name** field. Your settings are saved. This enables you to modify the ROM image incrementally, without having to reselect every option for each change.

- Step 6. Select **Advanced Mode** and click **OK**. The **Main Configuration** window is displayed. Advanced mode enables you to make more detailed and specific choices about what modules are included in your ROM image.



For More Information

The ***OS-9 Device Descriptor and Configuration Module Reference*** manual included on your CD describes each of the OS-9 modules and the various ways that the software can be configured to meet your needs.

Configuring Coreboot Options

To set up the coreboot image, you will set the options found by clicking on the Coreboot configuration buttons.

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- Step 1. Click the **Boot 'coreboot' Main Configuration** button.
- Step 2. Click on the **Debugger** tab. Make sure **Ethernet** is selected in the **Remote Debug Connection** area and **Remote** is selected in the **Select Debugger** area. Remote debugging is enabled so that system-state debugging can be performed in Hawk.

Step 3. Click on the **Ethernet** tab and enter the Ethernet address information in the address text boxes. For most situations you will need to fill out the following text boxes:

- **IP Address**
- **IP Broadcast**
- **Subnet Mask**
- **IP Gateway**
- **MAC Address**

If you are uncertain of the values for these text boxes, contact your system administrator.

Step 4. Click **OK** to close the window.

Configuring Bootfile Options

Most of the default options in the dialogs that control the configuration of the bootfile are correct. There are a few functions, such as Ethernet, that need additional information in order to be configured correctly. To configure your bootfile options, complete the following steps:

Step 1. To configure the Ethernet function, click on the **System Network Configuration** button.

Step 2. Click on the **Interface** tab.

Step 3. Click on **Ethernet Connection** in the **Select Interface** list.

Step 4. Make sure that **Specify an IP Address** is selected and the address information in the IP address text boxes is correct. They should have been copied from the coreboot Ethernet dialog box. If the information is not correct, correct it now.

Step 5. Select the **Ethernet** check box in the **Disable/Enable Interface** area.

- Step 6. Make sure the name of the Ethernet controller chip is displayed in the combo box under the note about the MAC address. If it is not visible, the Ethernet modules will not be included in the build.
- Step 7. Click on the **SoftStax Setup** tab, and select **Enable SoftStax**.
- Step 8. Click **OK** to close the dialog box.
- Step 9. Click on the **System Disk Configuration** button and verify that the default settings are acceptable to you.
- Step 10. Leave the other default settings alone and click the **Build Images** button to display the **Master Builder** window.
- Step 11. Select the following check boxes as they are appropriate to your setup:
- SoftStax (SPF) Support
 - User State Debugging Modules
 - If you are using a SCSI or RAM disk, select **Disk Support**.
 - If you are using a SCSI or RAM disk, select **Disk Utilities**.
- Step 12. Click **Coreboot + Bootfile** and click **Build**. This will build the ROM image that can be burned into flash memory. The name of the ROM image is `rom.S`. The file containing the image is in the Motorola S-record format.
- Step 13. Click **Finish** and then select **File -> Save Settings** to save the configuration.
- Step 14. Select **File -> Exit** to quit from the Configuration Wizard.
-

Transferring the ROM Image to the Target

In the previous section, you built a ROM image. To load this ROM image onto the target board, complete the following steps:

- Step 1. The networking environment variables on the IDT board needs to be set up before you use it for the first time. The `netaddr`, `ethaddr`, `netmask`, `bootserver`, and `bootfile` environment variables need to be set with the `setenv` command. To set these variables, type the following commands at the IDT SIM (System Integration Manager) prompt:
- ```
setenv netaddr <IDT board's IP address>
setenv ethaddr <IDT board's MAC address>
setenv netmask <Your network's subnet mask>
setenv bootserver <your host machine's IP address>
setenv bootfile rom.S
```
- Step 2. Download the OS-9 ROM image, `rom.S`, to the IDT board using the following load command at the IDT SIM (System Integration Manager) prompt:
- ```
l -t <Host Machine's IP address>:rom.S
```



Note

It will take six or seven minutes to download the entire image.



Note

If you have trouble with downloading the image, be sure the following items are correct:

- The environment variables on the board are set to correct values.
 - The load command was correctly entered (use of spaces is correct).
 - The path to the Outbound folder in your TFTP server is correct.
 - The Ethernet connector is plugged in and the board has power applied to it.
-

Step 3. Enter the following command to start OS-9.

```
go 80020000
```

Step 4. To be able to use Hawk to load and debug your applications, you need to start the debugging daemons. Type the following command to start the debugging daemons:

```
spfndpd<>>>/nil&
```

Creating a Startup File

When the Configuration Wizard is set to use a hard drive, or another fixed drive such as a PC Flash Card, as the default device, it automatically sets up the `init` module to call the `startup` file in the `SYS` directory in the target (For example: `/h0/SYS/startup`, `/mhcl1/SYS/startup`). However, this directory and file will not exist until you create it. To create the `startup` file, complete the following steps:

-
- Step 1. Create a `SYS` directory on the target machine where the `startup` file will reside (for example: `mkdir /h0/SYS`, `mkdir /dd/SYS`).
- Step 2. On the host machine, navigate to the following directory:
`MWOS/OS9000/SRC/SYS`
- In this directory, you will see several files. The files related to this section are listed below:
- `motd`: Message of the day file
 - `password`: User/password file
 - `termcap`: Terminal description file
 - `startup`: Startup file
- Step 3. Transfer all files to the newly created `SYS` directory on the target machine. (You can use Kermit, or FTP in ASCII mode to transfer these files.)
- Step 4. Since the files are still in DOS format, you will be required to convert them into the OS-9 format with the `cudo` utility. The following command is an example:
`cudo -cdo password`
- This will convert the `password` file from DOS to OS-9 format.



For More Information

For a complete description of all the `cudo` command options, refer to the ***Utilities Reference Manual*** located on the Enhanced OS-9 CD.

- Step 5. Since the command lines in the startup file are system-dependent, it may be necessary to modify this file to fit your system configuration. It is recommended that you modify the file before transferring it to the target machine.

Example Startup File

Below is the example startup file as it appears in the `MWOS/OS9000/SRC/SYS` directory:

```
-tnxnp
tmode -w=1 nopause
*
*OS-9 - Version 3.0
*Copyright 2001 by Microware Systems Corporation
*The commands in this file are highly system dependent and
*should be modified by the user.
*
*setime </term                ;* start system clock
setime -s                      ;* start system clock
link mshell csl                ;* make "mshell" and "csl" stay in memory
* iniz r0 h0 d0 t1 p1 term    ;* initialize devices
* load utils                  ;* make some utilities stay in memory
* tsmon /term /t1 &           ;* start other terminals
list sys/motd
setenv TERM vt100
tmode -w=1 pause
mshell<>>>/term -l&
```



For More Information

Refer to the **Making a Startup File** section in Chapter 9 of the *Using OS-9* manual for more information on startup files.

Optional Procedures

The following sections detail procedures you may perform once you have installed and configured OS-9.

Building with Makefiles

Building boots with makefiles allows you greater control over which modules are included in the boot. For the IDT79S465 reference board, there are two directories in which boots can be made. These are shown below:

`MWOS/OS9000/MIPS64/PORTS/79S465_4xxx/BOOTS/SYSTEMS/PORTBOOT`

In the above directory, boots can be made that use the IDT SIM (System Integration Manager) to load the OS-9 ROM image.

`MWOS/OS9000/MIPS64/PORTS/79S465_4xxx/BOOTS/EPROMCORE/PORTBOOT`

In the above directory, boots can be made that can be burned into the flash parts on the 79S465 reference board. The boots in the flash parts replace the IDT SIM.

EPROMCORE vs. PORTBOOT

The difference between the two boots explained in the previous section is the memory lists. When using the IDT SIM to boot OS-9, part of the RAM must be allocated as ROM, where the bootfile is located. When not using the IDT SIM (instead using OS-9 in the flash), the full RAM can be used for system memory. This also gives a wider range of booting options.

The memory list difference not only shows up in a different romcore, but also in the different init modules as well. Hence there is a separate set of files for EPROMCORE in the subsequent EPROM directories. There is also the `EPROM` macro definition and condition that selects the appropriate memory list for `romcore` and the init modules. This `EPROM` conditional is set in the `systype.h` file and the `INIT/default.des` file.

Makefile Network Option

By default the makefile in the `EPROMCORE` and `PORTBOOT` directories will not include networking. However, by setting the network macro definition to `TRUE`, the networking modules will be included in the bootfile. In addition, be sure the IP and MAC addresses for the board are setup correctly to avoid network problems.

Using Makefiles

When using a makefile to build boots, three bootlist files are used to include the modules for booting. These bootlist files can be edited in order to include or not include modules needed for your system. These bootlist files are located in `$<PORTS>/BOOTS/SYSTEMS/PORTBOOT` and are defined as follows:

`coreboot.ml`

used to make the low-level boot (called `coreboot`)

When using this file, the `romcore` file must be input first, followed by the `initext` file. These two files are not OS-9 modules. `romcore` is the raw code needed to bring the hardware to a known stable state, while `initext` is a way for users to extend the low level `sysinit` code without changing `sysinit.c` or remaking `romcore`.

The rest of the files included with `coreboot.ml` are actual OS-9 modules. Low-level booters and debuggers can be added or removed. In addition, the low-level Ethernet, IP stack, and SCSI system can be uncommented in order to provide `bootp` booting and/or SCSI booting. Low-level Ethernet or low-level SLIP can also provide system state debugging through Hawk.



Note

Only OEM licensees have the ability to make romcore. BLS licensees do not have this ability.

`bootfile.ml`

used to create the high-level boot (called `bootfile`)

This file contains all of the modules needed to produce an OS-9 system. This includes the kernel, system protection, cache control, file managers, and drivers and descriptors. Also included are various utilities and application programs.

Not included with this file are networking modules. Additional modules can be included or excluded where appropriate.

`spf_mods.ml`

contains the SoftStax modules and network utilities

These modules are simply merged into the end of the bootfile created from the `bootfile.ml` bootlist.

Making Network Configuration Changes

To configure the network parameters for SoftStax and Ethernet, two files need to be changed and two makefiles need to be run. To do this, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1. Navigate to `MWOS/OS9000/MIPS4000/PORTS/SPF/ETC` directory and open the `interfaces.conf` file.

- Step 2. From the `interfaces.conf` file, fill in the correct IP address, broadcast address, and netmask values. You can also supply the host name in this area as well.
- Step 3. Save the file.
- Step 4. Once you have saved the file, run the makefile in the directory listed in step one. This will make the appropriate `inetdb` and `inetdb2` modules.
- Step 5. The next step is to modify the second file. To do this, navigate to the `MWOS/OS9000/MIPS4000/PORTS/SPF/SPSONIC/DEFS` directory and open the `spf_desc.h` file.
- Step 6. At the end of `spf_desc.h` file are the macros `EA0`, `EA1`, `EA2`, `EA3`, `EA4`, and `EA5`. These are for the MAC address of the board. Check that these are filled in correctly to avoid any network difficulties.
- Step 7. Save the file.
- Step 8. Once this file is saved, go to the `MWOS/OS9000/MIPS4000/PORTS/SPF/SPSONIC` directory and run the `spfdesc.mak` makefile. This will create the `spse0` descriptor. At this point networking is configured for SoftStax.



Note

Because the Configuration Wizard configures the network in its own manner, if you are using it to configure network parameters, the above changes are not needed. However, if you choose to make the above changes, the Wizard will remain unaffected.

Low Level Network Configuration Changes

To configure the low-level Ethernet parameters, one file needs to be altered and one makefile needs to be run. To do this, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1. Navigate to the `MWOS\OS9000\MIPS3000\PORTS\JMRTX3927\ROM\CNFGDATA` directory and open the `config.des` file.
 - Step 2. From the `config.des` file, you will need to correctly define the macros for the IP address, broadcast, subnet, and mac.
 - Step 3. Run the makefile in the directory listed in step one and a new `cnfgdata` module will be created. A coreboot can now be created with this configuration.



Note

Because the Configuration Wizard configures the network in its own manner, if you are using it to configure Ethernet parameters, the above changes are not needed. However, if you choose to make the above changes, the Wizard will remain unaffected.

Chapter 2: Board Specific Reference

This chapter contains porting information specific to the MIPS board. It includes the following sections:

- **The Fastboot Enhancement**



The Fastboot Enhancement

The Fastboot enhancements to OS-9 were added to address the needs of embedded systems that require faster system bootstrap performance. The Fastboot concept exists to inform OS-9 that the defined configuration is static and valid. This eliminates the dynamic search OS-9 usually performs during the bootstrap process. It also allows the system to perform for a minimal amount of runtime configuration. As a result, a significant increase in bootstrap speed is achieved.

Overview

The Fastboot enhancement consists of a set of flags that control the bootstrap process. Each flag informs some portion of the bootstrap code of a particular assumption, and that the associated bootstrap functionality should be omitted.

One important feature of the Fastboot enhancement is the ability of the flags to become dynamically altered during the bootstrap process. For example, the bootstrap code might be configured to query dip switch settings, respond to device interrupts, or respond to the presence of specific resources that indicate different bootstrap requirements.

Another important feature of the Fastboot enhancement is its versatility. The enhancement's versatility allows for special considerations under a variety of circumstances. This can be useful in a system in which most resources are known, static, and functional, but whose additional validation is required during bootstrap for a particular instance (such as a resource failure).

Implementation Overview

The Fastboot configuration flags have been implemented as a set of bit fields. One 32-bit field has been dedicated for bootstrap configuration. This four-byte field is contained within a set of data structures shared by

the kernel and the ModRom sub-components. Hence, the field is available for modification and inspection by the entire set of system modules (both high-level and low-level).

Currently, there are six-bit flags defined, with eight bits reserved for user-definable bootstrap functionality. The reserved user-definable bits are the high-order eight bits (31-24). This leaves bits available for future enhancements. The currently defined bits and their associated bootstrap functionality are listed in the following sections.

B_QUICKVAL

The `B_QUICKVAL` bit indicates that only the module headers of modules in ROM are to be validated during the memory module search phase. Limiting validation in this manner will omit the CRC check on modules, which may save you a considerable amount of time. For example, if a system has many modules in ROM, in which access time is typically longer than it is in RAM, omitting the CRC check will drastically decrease the bootstrap time. Furthermore, since it is rare that data corruption will occur in ROM, omitting the CRC check is a safe option.

In addition, the `B_OKRAM` bit instructs the low-level and high-level systems to accept their respective RAM definitions without verification. Normally, the system probes memory during bootstrap based on the defined RAM parameters. This method allows system designers to specify a possible range of RAM the system will validate upon startup; thus, the system can accommodate varying amounts of RAM. However, in an embedded system (where the RAM limits are usually statically defined and presumed to be functional) there is no need to validate the defined RAM list. Bootstrap time is saved by assuming that the RAM definition is accurate.

B_OKROM

The `B_OKROM` bit causes acceptance of the ROM definition without probing for ROM. This configuration option behaves similarly to the `B_OKRAM` option with the exception that it applies to the acceptance of the ROM definition.

B_1STINIT

The `B_1STINIT` bit causes acceptance of the first `init` module found during cold-start. By default, the kernel searches the entire ROM list passed up by the ModRom for `init` modules before it takes the `init` module with the highest revision number. Using the `B_1STINIT` in a statically defined system omits the extended `init` module search, which can save a considerable amount of time.

B_NOIRQMASK

The `B_NOIRQMASK` bit instructs the entire bootstrap system to not mask interrupts for the duration of the bootstrap process. Normally, the ModRom code and the kernel cold-start mask interrupts for the duration of the system startup. However, in systems with a well-defined interrupt system (systems that are calmed by the `sysinit` hardware initialization code) and a requirement to respond to an installed interrupt handler during startup, this option can be used. Its implementation will prevent the ModRom and kernel cold-start from disabling interrupts. (This is useful in power-sensitive systems that need to respond to “power-failure” oriented interrupts.)



Note

Some portions of the system may still mask interrupts for short periods during the execution of critical sections.

B_NOPARITY

If the RAM probing operation has not been omitted, the `B_NOPARITY` bit causes the system to not perform parity initialization of the RAM. Parity initialization occurs during the RAM probe phase. The `B_NOPARITY` option is useful for systems that either require no parity initialization or only require it for “power-on” reset conditions. Systems that only require parity initialization for initial power-on reset conditions can dynamically use this option to prevent parity initialization for subsequent “non-power-on” reset conditions.

Implementation Details

This section describes the compile-time and runtime methods by which you can control the bootstrap speed of your system.

Compile-time Configuration

The compile-time configuration of the bootstrap is provided by a pre-defined macro, `BOOT_CONFIG`, which is used to set the initial bit-field values of the bootstrap flags. You can redefine the macro for recompilation to create a new bootstrap configuration. The new, over-riding value of the macro should be established as a redefinition of the macro in the `rom_config.h` header file or a macro definition parameter in the compilation command.

The `rom_config.h` header file is one of the main files used to configure the ModRom system. It contains many of the specific configuration details of the low-level system. Below is an example of how you can redefine the bootstrap configuration of your system using the `BOOT_CONFIG` macro in the `rom_config.h` header file:

```
#define BOOT_CONFIG (B_OKRAM + B_OKROM + B_QUICKVAL)
```

Below is an alternate example showing the default definition as a compile switch in the compilation command in the makefile:

```
SPEC_COPTS = -dNEWINFO -dNOPARITYINIT  
-dBOOT_CONFIG=0x7
```

This redefinition of the `BOOT_CONFIG` macro results in a bootstrap method, which accepts the RAM and ROM definitions without verification. It also validates modules solely on the correctness of their module headers.

Runtime Configuration

The default bootstrap configuration can be overridden at runtime by changing the `rinf->os->boot_config` variable from either a low-level P2 module or from the `sysinit2()` function of the

`sysinit.c` file. The runtime code can query jumper or other hardware settings to determine which user-defined bootstrap procedure should be used. An example P2 module is shown below.



Note

If the override is performed in the `sysinit2()` function, the effect is not realized until after the low-level system memory searches have been performed. This means that any runtime override of the default settings pertaining to the memory search must be done from the code in the P2 module code.

```
#define NEWINFO
#include <rom.h>
#include <types.h>
#include <const.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <romerrno.h>
#include <p2lib.h>

error_code p2start(Rominfo rinf, u_char *glbls)
{
    /* if switch or jumper setting is set... */
    if (switch_or_jumper == SET) {
        /* force checking of ROM and RAM lists */
        rinf->os->boot_config &= ~(B_OKROM+B_OKRAM);
    }
    return SUCCESS;
}
```

Appendix A: Board Specific Modules

This chapter describes the modules specifically written for the MIPS 79S465 boards. It includes the following sections:

- **Low-Level System Modules**
- **High-Level System Modules**
- **Common System Modules List**



Low-Level System Modules

The following low-level system modules are tailored specifically for the IDT 79S465 board. They are located in the following directory:

MWOS/OS9000/MIPS64/PORTS/<PROCESSOR>/CMDS/BOOTOBSJ/ROM

<code>cnfgdata</code>	contains low-level configuration data
<code>cnfgfunc</code>	provides access services to the <code>cnfgdata</code>
<code>commcnfg</code>	inits communication port defined in <code>cnfgdata</code>
<code>conscnfg</code>	inits console port defined in <code>cnfgdata</code>
<code>initext</code>	user-customizable system initialization module
<code>io85x30</code>	ROM based serial IO driver
<code>llsonic</code>	Low-level Ethernet ROM driver
<code>ncr90</code>	SCSI controller driver
<code>portmenu</code>	inits booters defined in the <code>cnfgdata</code>
<code>romcore</code>	bootstrap code
<code>tmr83932</code>	ROM timer services
<code>usedebug</code>	debugger configuration module

High-Level System Modules

The following OS-9 system modules are tailored specifically for the MIPS IDP 79S465 boards. Unless otherwise specified, each module is located in the following directory:

MWOS/OS9000/MIPS64/PORTS/<PROCESSOR>/CMDS/BOOTOBJS

bound	The p2 module that sets the IDT 4650 bounds registers
counter	Dummy IRQ handler that handles MIPS 64 counter interrupts
sc85x30	Serial driver for the 85x30 UART
scsi539x	SCSI driver for the Symbios 539x controllers
tksonic	System clock module
vect4xx	Vector module for MIPS 64

Common System Modules List

The following low-level system modules provide generic services for OS9000 Modular ROM. They are located in the following directory:

MWOS/OS9000/MIPS64/CMD5/BOOTOBJS/ROM

<code>bootsys</code>	provides booter registration services
<code>console</code>	provides console services
<code>dbgentry</code>	inits debugger entry point for system use
<code>dbgserve</code>	provides debugger services
<code>exception</code>	provides low-level exception services
<code>fdc765</code>	provides PC style floppy support
<code>fdman</code>	is a target-independent booter support module providing general booting services for RBF file systems
<code>flboot</code>	is a SCSI floptical drive disk booter
<code>flshcach</code>	provides low-level cache management services
<code>fsboot</code>	is a SCSI TEAC floppy disk drive booter
<code>hlproto</code>	provides user level code access to protoman
<code>hsboot</code>	is a SCSI hard disk drive booter
<code>ide</code>	provides target-specific standard IDE support, including PCMCIA ATA PC cards
<code>llbootp</code>	provides bootp services
<code>llip</code>	provides low-level IP services
<code>llkermit</code>	provides a booter that uses kermit protocol
<code>llslip</code>	provides low-level SLIP services

lltcp	provides low-level TCP services
lludp	provides low-level UDP services
notify	provides state change information for use with LL and HL drivers
override	provides a booter that allows a choice between menu and auto booters
parser	provides argument parsing services
pcman	provides a booter that reads MS-DOS file system
protoman	provides a protocol management module
restart	provides a booter that causes a soft reboot of the system
romboot	provides a booter that allows booting from ROM
rombreak	provides a booter that calls the installed debugger
rombug	provides a low-level system debugger
scsiman	is a target-independent booter support module that provides general SCSI command protocol services
sndp	provides low-level system debug protocol
srecord	provides a booter that accepts S-Records
swtimer	provides timer services via software loops
tsboot	is a SCSI TEAC tape drive booter
type41	is a primary partition type
vsboot	is a SCSI archive viper tape drive booter

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