

DEVICE DRIVERS - LAB 1

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paleti@paleti-Lenovo-Ideapad-330-15ICH:~$ systemctl | grep daemon
accounts-daemon.service      loaded active running Accounts Service
acpid.service                loaded active running ACPI event daemon
avahi-daemon.service         loaded active running Avahi mDNS/DNS-SD Stack
cron.service                 loaded active running Regular background program processing daemon
fwupd.service                loaded active running Firmware update daemon
hddtemp.service              loaded active exited LSB: disk temperature monitoring daemon
irqbalance.service           loaded active running irqbalance daemon
networkd-dispatcher.service  loaded active running Dispatcher daemon for systemd-networkd
rtkit-daemon.service          loaded active running RealtimeKit Scheduling Policy Service
avahi-daemon.socket          loaded active running Avahi mDNS/DNS-SD Stack Activation Socket
snapd.socket                 loaded active running Socket activation for snappy daemon
uuidd.socket                  loaded active listening UUID daemon activation socket

paleti@paleti-Lenovo-Ideapad-330-15ICH:~$ ps axo pid,ppid,pgrp,TTY,tpgid,session,comm | awk ' $2==1 ' | awk ' $1==$3 '
316      1      316 ?      -1      316 systemd-journal
385      1      385 ?      -1      385 systemd-udevd
779      1      779 ?      -1      779 systemd-resolve
780      1      780 ?      -1      780 systemd-timesyn
813      1      813 ?      -1      813 accounts-daemon
814      1      814 ?      -1      814 acpid
817      1      817 ?      -1      817 avahi-daemon
818      1      818 ?      -1      818 bluetoothd
819      1      819 ?      -1      819 cron
820      1      820 ?      -1      820 cupsd
821      1      821 ?      -1      821 dbus-daemon
822      1      822 ?      -1      822 NetworkManager
843      1      843 ?      -1      843 irqbalance
847      1      847 ?      -1      847 networkd-dispat
849      1      849 ?      -1      849 polkitd
851      1      851 ?      -1      851 rsyslogd
853      1      853 ?      -1      853 snapd
854      1      854 ?      -1      854 switcheroo-cont
855      1      855 ?      -1      855 systemd-logind
856      1      856 ?      -1      856 thermald
857      1      857 ?      -1      857 udisksd
858      1      858 ?      -1      858 wpa_supplicant
983      1      983 ?      -1      983 cups-browsed
994      1      994 ?      -1      994 colord
1000     1      1000 ?     -1      1000 canonical-livep
1002     1      1002 ?     -1      1002 unattended-upgr
1010     1      1010 ?     -1      1010 ModemManager
1037     1      1037 ?     -1      1037 gdm3
1189     1      1189 ?     -1      1189 kerneloops
1191     1      1191 ?     -1      1191 kerneloops
1227     1      1227 ?     -1      1227 rtkit-daemon
1329     1      1329 ?     -1      1329 upowerd
1681     1      1681 ?     -1      1681 systemd
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Accounts-daemon.service:

It's an API and associated service daemon to add/remove/modify users, since Linux does not have one of those. (except forking out to useradd/usermod/userdel, except on Debian where they supply the adduser/rmuser commands instead).

Personal comment: This is the most I have found on the internet which was understandable.

acpid.service:

The acpid daemon supports the Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) to allow intelligent power management on your system and to query battery and configuration status. It listens on a file and when an event occurs, executes programs to handle the event.

Rules are defined by simple configuration files. acpid will look in a configuration directory (**/etc/acpi/events** by default), and parse all files that do not begin with a period ('.'). Each file must define two things: an event and also a corresponding action.

avahi-daemon.service

The avahi-daemon Linux service runs on client machines to perform network-based Zeroconf service discovery. Avahi is an implementation of the DNS Service Discovery and Multicast DNS specifications for Zeroconf Networking. User applications receive notice of discovered network services and resources using the Linux D-Bus message passing. The daemon coordinates application efforts in caching replies, helping minimize network traffic.

cron.service

The Cron (crond) daemon or service is used to execute scheduled commands or scripts. cron wakes up every minute, examining all stored crontabs, checking each command to see if it should be run in the current minute.

fwupd.service

fwupd is an open-source daemon for managing the installation of firmware updates on Linux-based systems, developed by GNOME maintainer Richard Hughes.^[1] It is designed primarily for servicing the Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) firmware on supported devices via EFI System Resource Table (ESRT) and UEFI Capsule, which is supported in Linux kernel 4.2 and later.

hddtemp.service

hddtemp is a small utility (with daemon) that gives the hard-drive temperature via S.M.A.R.T. (for drives supporting this feature).

Running the daemon allows access to the temperature information via TCP/IP as a regular user. This is useful for scripts and system monitors.

The daemon is [controlled](#) by hddtemp.service.

To get the temperature, connect to the daemon which listens on port 7634.

irqbalance.service

irqbalance is a Linux daemon that distributes interrupts over among the processors and cores in your computer system. The design goal of irqbalance is to find a balance between power savings and optimal performance. To a large degree, the work irqbalance does is invisible to you. The daemon balances savings in power consumption with performance.

networkd-dispatcher.service

Networkd-dispatcher is a dispatcher daemon for systemd-networkd connection status changes. It is similar to NetworkManager-dispatcher, but is much more limited in the types of events it supports due to the limited nature of systemd-networkd.

This daemon listens for signals from systemd-networkd over dbus, so it should be very light on resources (e.g. no polling). It is meant to be run as a system-wide daemon (as root). This allows it to be used for tasks such as starting a VPN after a connection is established.

rtkit-daemon.service

RealtimeKit is a D-Bus system service that changes the scheduling policy of user processes/threads to SCHED_RR (i.e. real time scheduling mode) on request. It is intended to be used as a secure mechanism to allow real-time scheduling to be used by normal user processes. Overall, I would not expect it to peg out CPU usage.

snapd.socket

The snapd daemon is a REST API daemon for managing snap packages. Users can interact with it by using the snap client, which is part of the same package.

uidd.socket

The uidd daemon is used by the UUID library to generate universally unique identifiers (UUIDs), especially time-based UUIDs, in a secure and guaranteed-unique fashion, even in the face of large numbers of threads running on different CPUs trying to grab UUIDs.

colord

The colord daemon is a system service that makes it easy to manage, install and generate color profiles to accurately color manage input and output devices.

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