



Imperas Peripheral Model Guide

Model Specific Information for mips.ovpworld.org / SmartLoaderLinux

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1.0 Model Specific Information

This document provides usage information for an Imperas OVP peripheral behavioral model.

The document is split into sections providing specific information for this peripheral, including any ports for connecting into a platform, registers, other component parts, and configuration options and general information for peripheral modeling with Imperas OVP.

1.1 Licensing

Open Source Apache 2.0

1.2 Description

Smart peripheral creates memory initialisation for a MIPS32 based Linux kernel boot. Performs the generation of boot code at the reset vector (virtual address 0xbfc00000) of the MIPS32 processor. Loads both the linux kernel and initial ramdisk into memory and patches the boot code to jump to the kernel start.

Initialises the MIPS32 registers and Linux command line.

1.3 Reference

MIPS Malta User Manual. MIPS Boot code reference.

1.4 Location

The SmartLoaderLinux peripheral model is located in an Imperas/OVP installation at the VLVN:
mips.ovpworld.org / peripheral / SmartLoaderLinux / 1.0.

2.0 Peripheral Instance Parameters

This model accepts the following parameters:

Table 1. Peripheral Parameters

Name	Type	Description
kernel	string	This must specify the name of the Linux kernel that is being loaded. This must be consistent with the imagefile loaded and specified by the imagefile attribute on the processor.
dtb	string	Optionally specify the flattened device tree blob file specifying the development board details for the Linux kernel to read.
envpaddress	uns32	The hex address in virtual memory that contains the command line. Default 0x80002000.
initrd	string	Specify a compressed initial ram disk file for loading.
root	string	Specify the root filesystem for booting. This is a string of the form '/dev/hda1'.
boardid	uns32	Allows the boardID to be configured. Defaults to 0x420 for Malta with CoreLV.
memsize	uns32	The decimal size of the available memory. For Example 128MBytes is 134217728.

command	string	This attribute allows an additional kernal command(s) to be added.
nonelinux	bool	This attribute allows a non linux program to be loaded onto the Malta platform. The program elf should be passed as though it was the kernel file.
bootimage	string	This attribute is used to pass a new boot image for the non:volatile memory that contains the reset vector from which the procesor starts execution.
endian	string	Set the system endian, "big" or "little"; used for writing boot code. Default is "little" endian.
goldfish	bool	This attribute is used to indicate that the peripheral is being used to configure the Android Goldfish platform.
writebootimage	string	This attribute is used to control the writing of a file of the boot code containing the reset vector from which the procesor starts execution.
fixuplinuxstart	uns32	This attribute is used to set the address at which the the code should be 'fixed' to add the setup required for booting a linux kernel a0 = number of kernel arguments a1 = command table start a2 = command line arguments start a3 = size fo physical ram
disablebootgen	bool	Disable the generation of boot code.
disable	bool	Disable this peripheral. Only provides the boardId in this case.
PCIslot	uns32	Specify the PCI slot.
PCIfunction	uns32	Specify the PCI function number.
pagebits	uns32	Specify the number of bits to be used when aligning the initrd data (should match page size configured into kernel). default=12.
initrdhigh	bool	Locate the initial ramdisk in top of memory. By default the ramdisk is located in the next page after the top of the kernel image.

3.0 Bus Master Ports

This model has the following bus master ports:

3.1 Bus Master Port: mport

Table 2. mport

Name	Address Width (bits)	Description
mport	32	This is a master port to access the memory in the system for initalisation of initrd and writing boot code to the reset vector

4.0 Bus Slave Ports

This model has the following bus slave ports:

4.1 Bus Slave Port: idport

Table 3. Bus Slave Port: idport

Name	Size (bytes)	Must Be Connected	Description
idport	0x4	F (False)	This is a slave port that provides the

		boardId for Malta (default 0x420)
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No address blocks have been defined for this slave port.

5.0 Platforms that use this peripheral component

Peripheral components can be used in many different platforms, including those developed by Imperas or by other users of OVP. You can use this peripheral in your own platforms.

Table 4. Publicly available platforms using peripheral 'SmartLoaderLinux'

Platform Name	Vendor
HeteroArmNucleusMIPSLinux	imperas.ovpworld.org
MipsMalta	mips.ovpworld.org
MipsMalta	mips.ovpworld.org

This peripheral is used in some internal Imperas virtual platforms. Please contact Imperas for more information.

6.0 Peripheral components in the library

Table 5. Publicly available Imperas/OVP peripheral models (224 models)

Peripheral	Peripheral	Peripheral
motorola.ovpworld.org/MC146818	national.ovpworld.org/16450	national.ovpworld.org/16550
national.ovpworld.org/16550_4bytes	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_Analog	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_CCM
nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_GPC	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_GPIO	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_GPT
nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_MMDC	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_SDHC	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_SRC
nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_UART	nxp.ovpworld.org/iMX6_WDOG	ovpworld.org/Alpha2x16Display
ovpworld.org/DynamicBridge	ovpworld.org/FlashDevice	ovpworld.org/ledRegister
ovpworld.org/SerInt	ovpworld.org/SimpleDma	ovpworld.org/switchRegister
ovpworld.org/temperatureSensor	ovpworld.org/trap	ovpworld.org/trap4K
ovpworld.org/vEthernet_Bridge	ovpworld.org/VirtioBlkMMIO	ovpworld.org/VirtioNetMMIO
philips.ovpworld.org/ISP1761	renesas.ovpworld.org/adc	renesas.ovpworld.org/bcu
renesas.ovpworld.org/brg	renesas.ovpworld.org/can	renesas.ovpworld.org/can
renesas.ovpworld.org/clkgen	renesas.ovpworld.org/crc	renesas.ovpworld.org/csib
renesas.ovpworld.org/csie	renesas.ovpworld.org/dma	renesas.ovpworld.org/intc
renesas.ovpworld.org/memc	renesas.ovpworld.org/rng	renesas.ovpworld.org/taa
renesas.ovpworld.org/tms	renesas.ovpworld.org/tmt	renesas.ovpworld.org/uartc
renesas.ovpworld.org/UPD70F3441Logic	riscv.ovpworld.org/CLINT	riscv.ovpworld.org/PLIC
riscv.ovpworld.org/SmartLoaderRV64Linux	safePower.ovpworld.org/node	safePower.ovpworld.org/NostrumNode
safePower.ovpworld.org/ring_oscillator	safePower.ovpworld.org/TTElNode	sifive.ovpworld.org/gpio
sifive.ovpworld.org/MSEL	sifive.ovpworld.org/PRCI	sifive.ovpworld.org/pwm
sifive.ovpworld.org/spi	sifive.ovpworld.org/teststatus	sifive.ovpworld.org/UART
smc.ovpworld.org/LAN9118	smc.ovpworld.org/LAN91C111	ti.ovpworld.org/tca6416a
ti.ovpworld.org/UartInterface	ti.ovpworld.org/ucd9012a	ti.ovpworld.org/ucd9248
vendor.com/fifo	xilinx.ovpworld.org/axi-gpio	xilinx.ovpworld.org/axi-intc
xilinx.ovpworld.org/axi-pcie	xilinx.ovpworld.org/axi-timer	xilinx.ovpworld.org/logicore-fit
xilinx.ovpworld.org/mdm	xilinx.ovpworld.org/mpmc	xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-gpio
xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-iic	xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-intc	xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-ll-temac
xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-mch-emc	xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-sysace	xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-timer
xilinx.ovpworld.org/xps-uartlite	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-can	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-ddrc
xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-devcfg	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-dmac	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-gpio
xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-iic	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-ocm	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-qos301
xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-qspi	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-sdio	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-slcr
xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-spi	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-swdt	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-ttc
xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-tz_GPVsecurity	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-tz_security	xilinx.ovpworld.org/zynq_7000-usb
altera.ovpworld.org/dw-apb-timer	altera.ovpworld.org/dw-apb-uart	altera.ovpworld.org/IntervalTimer32Core
altera.ovpworld.org/IntervalTimer64Core	altera.ovpworld.org/JtagUart	altera.ovpworld.org/PerformanceCounterCore
altera.ovpworld.org/RSTMGR	altera.ovpworld.org/SystemIDCore	altera.ovpworld.org/Uart
amd.ovpworld.org/79C970	andes.ovpworld.org/ATCUART100	andes.ovpworld.org/NCEPLIC100
andes.ovpworld.org/NCEPLMT100	arm.ovpworld.org/AaciPL041	arm.ovpworld.org/CompactFlashRegs
arm.ovpworld.org/CoreModule9x6	arm.ovpworld.org/DebugLedAndDipSwitch	arm.ovpworld.org/DMemCtrlPL341
arm.ovpworld.org/IcpControl	arm.ovpworld.org/IcpCounterTimer	arm.ovpworld.org/IntICP
arm.ovpworld.org/IntICP	arm.ovpworld.org/KbPL050	arm.ovpworld.org/L2CachePL310
arm.ovpworld.org/LcdPL110	arm.ovpworld.org/MmcPL181	arm.ovpworld.org/RtcPL031

arm.ovpworld.org/SerBusDviRegs	arm.ovpworld.org/SmartLoaderArm64Linux	arm.ovpworld.org/SmartLoaderArmLinux
arm.ovpworld.org/SMemCtrlPL354	arm.ovpworld.org/SysCtrlSP810	arm.ovpworld.org/TimerSP804
arm.ovpworld.org/TzpcBP147	arm.ovpworld.org/UartPL011	arm.ovpworld.org/VexpressSysRegs
arm.ovpworld.org/WdtSP805	atmel.ovpworld.org/AdvancedInterruptController	atmel.ovpworld.org/ParallelIOController
atmel.ovpworld.org/PowerSaving	atmel.ovpworld.org/SpecialFunction	atmel.ovpworld.org/TimerCounter
atmel.ovpworld.org/UsartInterface	atmel.ovpworld.org/WatchdogTimer	cadence.ovpworld.org/gem
cadence.ovpworld.org/uart	cirrus.ovpworld.org/GD5446	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisADC
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisAIPS	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisAXBBS	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisCAN
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisCMP	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisCMT	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisCRC
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisDAC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisDDR	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisDMA
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisDMAC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisDMAMUX	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisENET
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisEWM	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisFB	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisFMC
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisFTFE	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisFTM	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisGPIO
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisI2C	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisI2S	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisLLWU
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisLPTMR	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisMCG	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisMPU
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisNFC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisOSC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisPDB
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisPIT	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisPMC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisPORT
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisRCM	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisRFSYS	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisRFVBAT
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisRNG	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisRTC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisSDHC
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisSIM	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisSMC	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisSPI
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisTSI	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisUART	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisUSB
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisUSBDCD	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisUSBHS	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisVREF
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisWDOG	freescale.ovpworld.org/Uart	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridADC
freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridANADIG	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridCCM	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridDMA
freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridGPIO	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridI2C	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridLCD
freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridQUADSPI	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridSDHC	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridSPI
freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridUART	freescale.ovpworld.org/VybridUSB	imperas.ovpworld.org/frameBuffer
imperas.ovpworld.org/uart	imperas.ovpworld.org/usecCounter	intel.ovpworld.org/82077AA
intel.ovpworld.org/82371EB	intel.ovpworld.org/8253	intel.ovpworld.org/8259A
intel.ovpworld.org/NorFlash48F4400	intel.ovpworld.org/PciIDE	intel.ovpworld.org/PciPM
intel.ovpworld.org/PciUSB	intel.ovpworld.org/Ps2Control	marvell.ovpworld.org/GT6412x
maxim.ovpworld.org/max673x	microsemi.ovpworld.org/CoreUARTapb	mips.ovpworld.org/16450C
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7.0 General Information on Peripheral Models

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The document is split into sections providing specific information for this peripheral, including any ports for connecting into a platform, registers etc. and configuration options and general information for peripheral modeling with Imperas OVP.

7.1 Background

Imperas OVP simulation technology enables very high performance simulation, debug and analysis of platforms containing multiple processors and peripheral models. The technology is designed to be extensible: you can create new models of processors, peripherals and other platform components using interfaces and libraries defined by OVP.

The peripheral models created using the OVP APIs run on the Peripheral Simulation Engine (PSE).

The model is typically written in C and compiled into an executable for the PSE processor architecture. The model is compiled for speed of execution and to protect IP. It is dynamically loaded by the simulator at run time.

8.0 Building peripherals easily with Imperas iGen

To aid with model creation, Imperas products include iGen, a model generation tool. iGen takes the laborious and error-prone task of constructing the various hardware model and software element files required for a typical model, and automates this process. iGen creates the needed C files. iGen also creates the C++ SystemC TLM2 interface files needed to run peripheral models in SystemC simulations.

iGen takes as input a simple script specification that includes device internals such as registers and memories, port information, component descriptors, and other elements. iGen then builds the C code model files and user editable templates. These include model frameworks with registers, function calls, memory map, and other items. It ensures that all component parts of the model are well-structured using best practices, and are consistent throughout the files, thus eliminating a common source of errors.

More information on iGen can be found: imperas.com/products.

9.0 Peripheral model internals

Each instance of a peripheral model runs on its own virtual machine with an address space large enough for the model. This processor (the PSE) and its memory are separate from any processors, memories and buses in the platform being simulated; they exist only to execute the code of the peripheral model.

Interception of functions defined in the peripheral model allows the use of features of the host system in the

implementation of the behavior of a peripheral. As an example, a real platform might contain a video display device. When simulating this system, it is generally more convenient not to simulate the complete video display device but to use a video package available on the host machine, such as SDL, and to use this to render to the host display. Also models of uarts, ethernet devices and USB components can make use of the host PC resources during simulation, to allow, for example, a simulation to browse the real internet, or the simulation to connect to a real USB device.

10.0 Parts of peripheral models

10.1 Configuring the Peripheral Instance with Parameters

A peripheral can include the behaviour of several configurations. These are controlled when the peripheral is instanced in the platform by setting parameters defined on the peripheral.

10.2 Net Ports

Peripherals may be connected to other peripherals or processors with signal wires (nets). These can be used to act as interrupt signals or used to control behavior between peripherals.

The wires are created in the platform as nets and this net is connected into the peripheral using a net port.

10.3 Bus master ports

A bus master port initiates (and controls the address of) a bus cycle. Bus cycles are generated by behavioral code within the peripheral model.

10.4 Bus slave ports

A peripheral can be defined as having several bus slave ports. The bus slave ports can be split into several address blocks. Each address block be either local memory or memory mapped registers. Both of these can have associated callback functions. A memory mapped register can also be defined as specific read/write access, whether it is volatile, and also whether it is associated with a reset pin and mask. A memory mapped register can also have specific bit fields defined.

10.5 Packetnets

A peripheral can be defined as being connected to packetnet ports. A packetnet is used to model packet based communication such as Ethernet, CAN bus or GSM. A packetnet is created in a platform, then connected to packetnet ports on model instances. A packetnet can have many connections, each able to send or receive packets. A packetnet is used as an efficient method of communication within OVP models.

For more information on modeling with packetnets, please see the peripheral modeling documentation: [OVP_Peripheral_Modeling_Guide.pdf](#), [OVPSim_and_CpuManager_User_Guide.pdf](#) and the example: [\\$IMPERAS_HOME/Examples/Models/Peripherals/packetnet](#).

11.0 More information (documentation) on peripheral models and modeling

More information on modeling and APIs can be found at: OVPworld.org/technology_apis.

Specifics on modeling peripherals can be found: [OVP Peripheral Modeling Guide.pdf](#).

A full list of the currently available OVP documentation is available: [OVPworld.org/documentation](#).

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