

Imperas Peripheral Model Guide

Model Specific Information for arm.ovpworld.org / SmartLoaderArmLinux

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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

Psuedo-peripheral to perform memory initialisation for an ARM based Linux kernel boot: Loads Linux kernel image file and (optional) initial ram disk image into memory. Writes ATAG data into memory. Writes tiny boot code at physical memory base that configures the registers as expected by Linux Kernel and then jumps to boot address (image load address by default).

1.3 Limitations

Only supports little endian

1.4 Reference

See ARM Linux boot requirements in Linux source tree at documentation/arm/Booting

1.5 Location

The SmartLoaderArmLinux peripheral model is located in an Imperas/OVP installation at the VLNV: arm.ovpworld.org / peripheral / SmartLoaderArmLinux / 1.0.

2.0 Peripheral Instance Parameters

This model accepts the following parameters:

Table 1. Peripheral Parameters

Name	Туре	Description
kernel	string	Name of the the Linux kernel image file (e.g. zImage) to load. (required)
kerneladdr	uns32	Address to load the Linux kernel image file (default: physicalbase+0x00010000)
initrd	string	Name of the initial ram disk file to load (optional)
initrdaddr	uns32	Address to load the initial ram disk file (default: physicalbase+0x00d00000)
dtb	string	Name of the device tree blob file (optional - ATAGs used when not specified)
dtbaddr	uns32	Address to load the device tree blob (DTB) file (default: physicalbase+0x00c00000)
atagsaddr	uns32	Address to write Linux ATAGS data - not allowed when dtb specified (default: physicalbase+0x100)

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physicalbase	uns32	The physical address of the base of memory (default: 0)
memsize	uns32	The size of memory in bytes- not allowed when dtb specified (default: 128M)
command	string	Set command line passed to kernel (optional)
append	string	Append to the command line passed to kernel. (optional)
boardid	uns32	The boardid passed to the kernel - not allowed when dtb specified (default: ArmIntegrator value = 0x113)
bootaddr	uns32	Address to call from smart Loader's tiny startup code (default: kerneladdr)
disable	bool	Set to True to disable the smart loader

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	Master port - connect to same bus connected to Linux
		processor's data port

4.0 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 3. Publicly available platforms using peripheral 'SmartLoaderArmLinux'

Platform Name	Vendor
AlteraCycloneV_HPS	altera.ovpworld.org
ArmIntegratorCP	arm.ovpworld.org
ArmVersatileExpress	arm.ovpworld.org
ArmVersatileExpress-CA15	arm.ovpworld.org
ArmVersatileExpress-CA9	arm.ovpworld.org
HeteroArmNucleusMIPSLinux	imperas.ovpworld.org
AlteraCycloneV_HPS	altera.ovpworld.org
ArmIntegratorCP	arm.ovpworld.org
ArmVersatileExpress	arm.ovpworld.org
ArmVersatileExpress-CA15	arm.ovpworld.org
ArmVersatileExpress-CA9	arm.ovpworld.org
iMX6S	nxp.ovpworld.org
HeteroAlteraCycloneV_HPS_CycloneIII_3c120	imperas.ovpworld.org

This peripheral is used in some virtual platforms that have restricted release. Please contact Imperas for more information.

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5.0 Peripheral components in the library

Peripheral	eras/OVP peripheral models (224 mode Peripheral	Peripheral
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/KinetisAXBS	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
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freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisI2C	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisI2S	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisLLWU
freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisLPTMR	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisMCG	freescale.ovpworld.org/KinetisMPU
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6.0 General Information on Peripheral Models

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6.1 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.

7.0 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.

8.0 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.

9.0 Parts of peripheral models

9.1 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.

9.2 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.

9.3 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.

9.4 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.

9.5 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.

10.0 More information (documentation) on peripheral models and modeling

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

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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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