

Upgrading I2C Drivers to the new 2.6 Driver Model

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Introduction

This guide outlines how to alter existing Linux 2.6 client drivers from the old to the new new binding methods.

Example old-style driver

```
struct example_state {
    struct i2c_client    client;
    ....
};

static struct i2c_driver example_driver;

static unsigned short ignore[] = { I2C_CLIENT_END };
static unsigned short normal_addr[] = { OUR_ADDR, I2C_CLIENT_END };

I2C_CLIENT_INSMOD;

static int example_attach(struct i2c_adapter *adap, int addr, int kind)
{
    struct example_state *state;
    struct device *dev = &adap->dev; /* to use for dev_ reports */
    int ret;

    state = kzalloc(sizeof(struct example_state), GFP_KERNEL);
    if (state == NULL) {
        dev_err(dev, "failed to create our state\n");
        return -ENOMEM;
    }

    example->client.addr    = addr;
    example->client.flags    = 0;
    example->client.adapter = adap;

    i2c_set_clientdata(&state->i2c_client, state);
    strcpy(client->i2c_client.name, "example", I2C_NAME_SIZE);

    ret = i2c_attach_client(&state->i2c_client);
    if (ret < 0) {
        dev_err(dev, "failed to attach client\n");
        kfree(state);
        return ret;
    }

    dev = &state->i2c_client.dev;
```

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/* rest of the initialisation goes here. */

dev_info(dev, "example client created\n");

return 0;
}

static int __devexit example_detach(struct i2c_client *client)
{
    struct example_state *state = i2c_get_clientdata(client);

    i2c_detach_client(client);
    kfree(state);
    return 0;
}

static int example_attach_adapter(struct i2c_adapter *adap)
{
    return i2c_probe(adap, &addr_data, example_attach);
}

static struct i2c_driver example_driver = {
    .driver = {
        .owner = THIS_MODULE,
        .name = "example",
    },
    .attach_adapter = example_attach_adapter,
    .detach_client = __devexit_p(example_detach),
    .suspend = example_suspend,
    .resume = example_resume,
};

```

Updating the client

The new style binding model will check against a list of supported devices and their associated address supplied by the code registering the busses. This means that the driver `.attach_adapter` and `.detach_adapter` methods can be removed, along with the `addr_data`, as follows:

```

- static struct i2c_driver example_driver;

- static unsigned short ignore[] = { I2C_CLIENT_END };
- static unsigned short normal_addr[] = { OUR_ADDR, I2C_CLIENT_END };

- I2C_CLIENT_INSMOD;

- static int example_attach_adapter(struct i2c_adapter *adap)
- {
-     return i2c_probe(adap, &addr_data, example_attach);
- }

- static struct i2c_driver example_driver = {
-     .attach_adapter = example_attach_adapter,

```

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-         .detach_client  = __devexit_p(example_detach),
    }

```

Add the probe and remove methods to the i2c_driver, as so:

```

    static struct i2c_driver example_driver = {
+         .probe           = example_probe,
+         .remove          = __devexit_p(example_remove),
    }

```

Change the example_attach method to accept the new parameters which include the i2c_client that it will be working with:

```

- static int example_attach(struct i2c_adapter *adap, int addr, int kind)
+ static int example_probe(struct i2c_client *client,
+                           const struct i2c_device_id *id)

```

Change the name of example_attach to example_probe to align it with the i2c_driver entry names. The rest of the probe routine will now need to be changed as the i2c_client has already been setup for use.

The necessary client fields have already been setup before the probe function is called, so the following client setup can be removed:

```

-         example->client.addr    = addr;
-         example->client.flags    = 0;
-         example->client.adapter = adap;
-
-         strcpy(client->i2c_client.name, "example", I2C_NAME_SIZE);

```

The i2c_set_clientdata is now:

```

-         i2c_set_clientdata(&state->client, state);
+         i2c_set_clientdata(client, state);

```

The call to i2c_attach_client is no longer needed, if the probe routine exits successfully, then the driver will be automatically attached by the core. Change the probe routine as so:

```

-         ret = i2c_attach_client(&state->i2c_client);
-         if (ret < 0) {
-                 dev_err(dev, "failed to attach client\n");
-                 kfree(state);
-                 return ret;
-         }

```

Remove the storage of 'struct i2c_client' from the 'struct example_state' as we are provided with the i2c_client in our example_probe. Instead we store a pointer to it for when it is needed.

```

struct example_state {
-         struct i2c_client      client;
+         struct i2c_client      *client;

```

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the new i2c client as so:

```
- struct device *dev = &adap->dev; /* to use for dev_reports */
+ struct device *dev = &i2c_client->dev; /* to use for dev_reports */
```

And remove the change after our client is attached, as the driver no longer needs to register a new client structure with the core:

```
- dev = &state->i2c_client.dev;
```

In the probe routine, ensure that the new state has the client stored in it:

```
static int example_probe(struct i2c_client *i2c_client,
                        const struct i2c_device_id *id)
{
    struct example_state *state;
    struct device *dev = &i2c_client->dev;
    int ret;

    state = kzalloc(sizeof(struct example_state), GFP_KERNEL);
    if (state == NULL) {
        dev_err(dev, "failed to create our state\n");
        return -ENOMEM;
    }

+    state->client = i2c_client;
```

Update the detach method, by changing the name to `_remove` and to delete the `i2c_detach_client` call. It is possible that you can also remove the `ret` variable as it is not needed for any of the core functions.

```
- static int __devexit example_detach(struct i2c_client *client)
+ static int __devexit example_remove(struct i2c_client *client)
{
    struct example_state *state = i2c_get_clientdata(client);

-    i2c_detach_client(client);
```

And finally ensure that we have the correct ID table for the i2c-core and other utilities:

```
+ struct i2c_device_id example_idtable[] = {
+     { "example", 0 },
+     { }
+};
+
+MODULE_DEVICE_TABLE(i2c, example_idtable);

static struct i2c_driver example_driver = {
    .driver = {
        .owner = THIS_MODULE,
        .name = "example",
    },
+    .id_table = example_ids,
```

Our driver should now look like this:

```

struct example_state {
    struct i2c_client      *client;
    ....
};

static int example_probe(struct i2c_client *client,
                        const struct i2c_device_id *id)
{
    struct example_state *state;
    struct device *dev = &client->dev;

    state = kzalloc(sizeof(struct example_state), GFP_KERNEL);
    if (state == NULL) {
        dev_err(dev, "failed to create our state\n");
        return -ENOMEM;
    }

    state->client = client;
    i2c_set_clientdata(client, state);

    /* rest of the initialisation goes here. */

    dev_info(dev, "example client created\n");

    return 0;
}

static int __devexit example_remove(struct i2c_client *client)
{
    struct example_state *state = i2c_get_clientdata(client);

    kfree(state);
    return 0;
}

static struct i2c_device_id example_idtable[] = {
    { "example", 0 },
    { }
};

MODULE_DEVICE_TABLE(i2c, example_idtable);

static struct i2c_driver example_driver = {
    .driver      = {
        .owner      = THIS_MODULE,
        .name       = "example",
    },
    .id_table    = example_idtable,
    .probe       = example_probe,
    .remove      = __devexit_p(example_remove),
    .suspend     = example_suspend,
    .resume      = example_resume,
}

```

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```