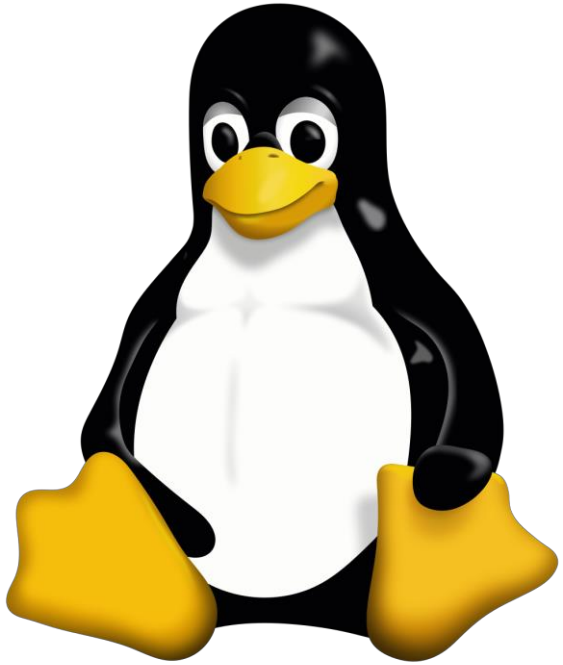

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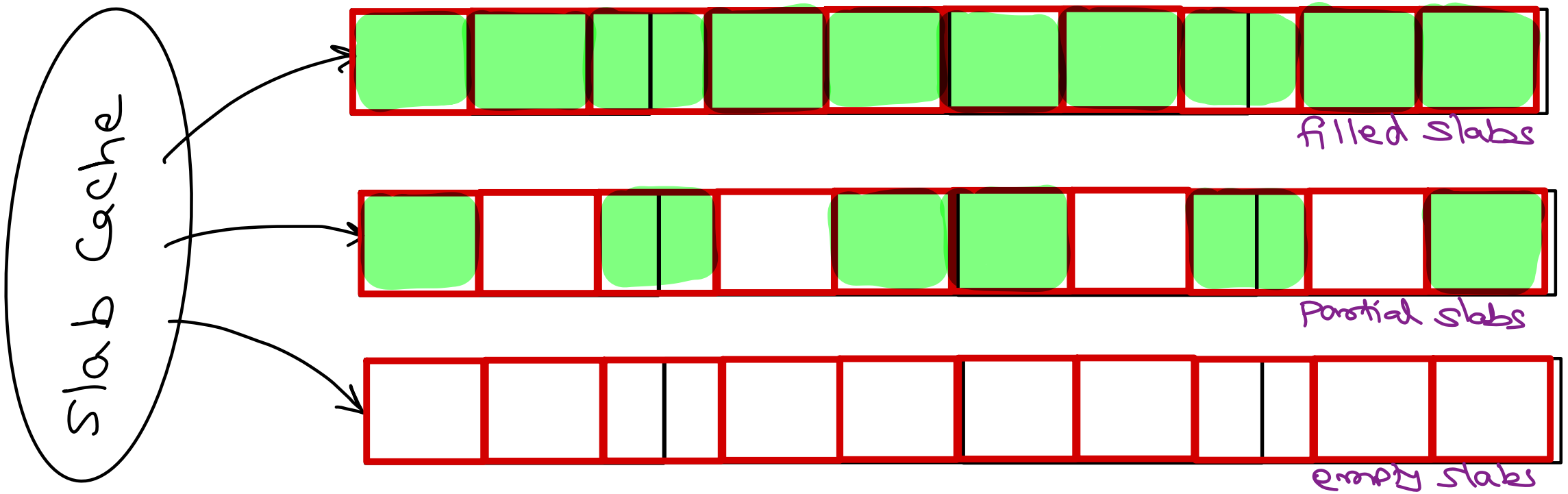
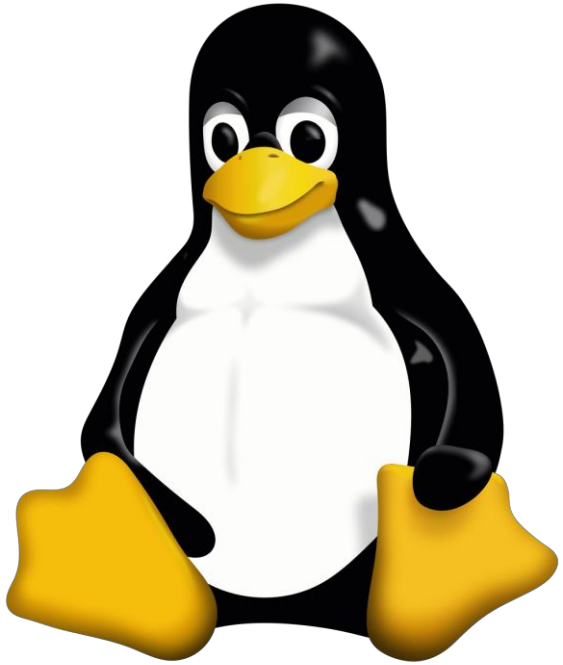
# Slab cache - kmalloc()




Example:
obj size = 1.6 KB
pages per slab = 4 i.e. slab size = 16 KB
objs per slab = 10

slab = set of contiguous physical pages.

Different slab caches are created for different types of objects.
/proc/slabinfo.



# Linux USB Device Driver

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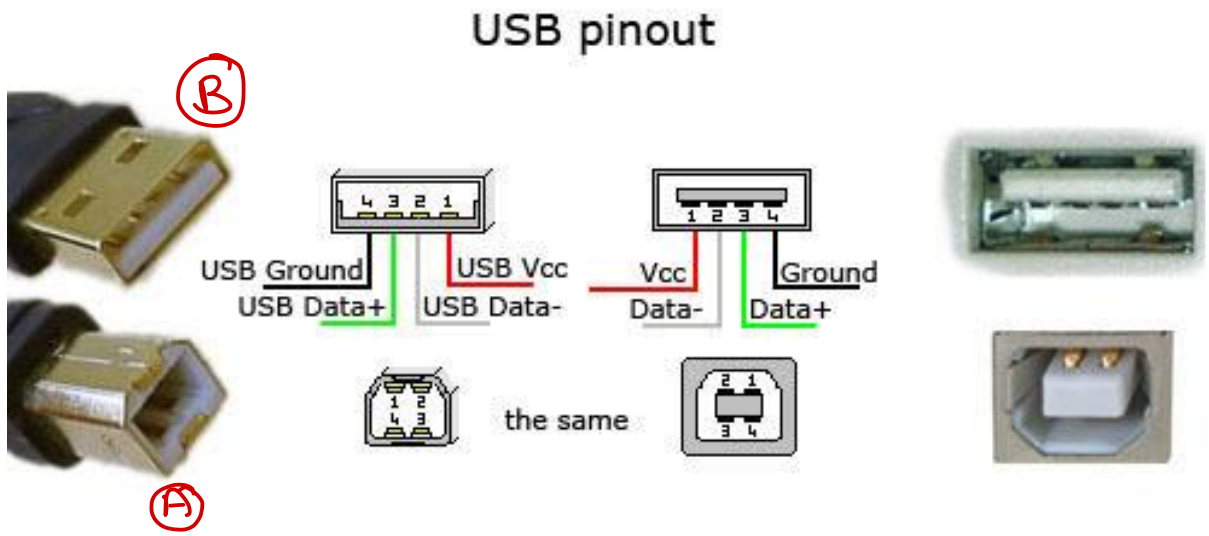
# Universal Serial Bus

- USB is a bus specification/standard.
- USB was invented to replace many other different types of buses like PS/2, Audio, Network, Serial/Parallel port, ...
- USB bus is 4-wire bus:
  - Vcc: +5V
  - Gnd: 0
  - Data+ : Data +ve
  - Data- : Data -ve

} TTL

USB 1.0 →
USB 1.1 →
USB 2.0 → 48 MHz
USB 3.0 →

- USB is differential bus & hence immune to noise.
- Since bus has only wires, we can send any type of data including files, audio, video, control signals, ...
- USB is supported on many architectures including embedded (e.g. ARM, AVR, ...)
- Typically USB is connected to PC via PCI bus.

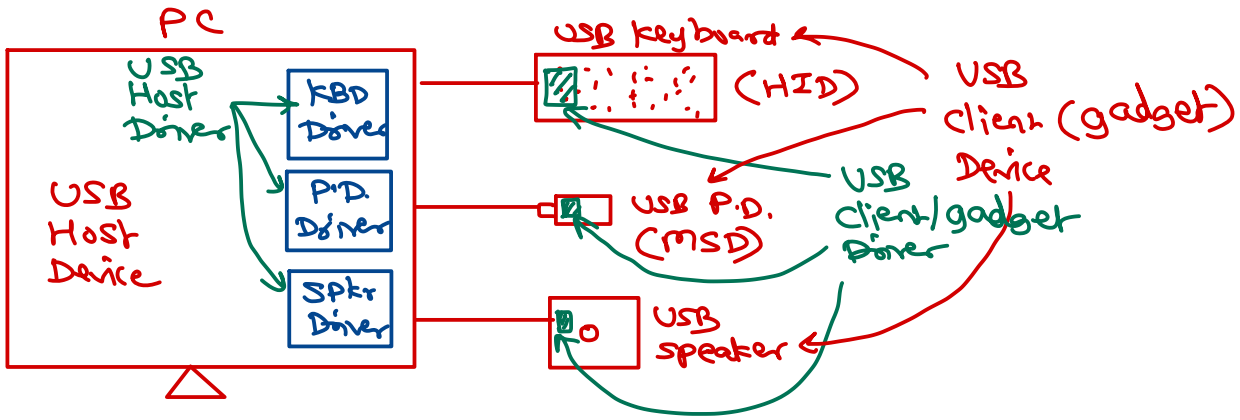


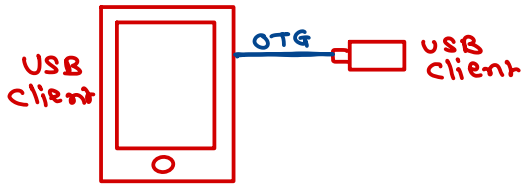

USB is a serial bus. It uses 4 shielded wires: two for power (+5v & GND) and two for differential data signals (labelled as D+ and D- in pinout)

http://pinouts.ru/Slots/USB_pinout.shtml

# USB Drivers

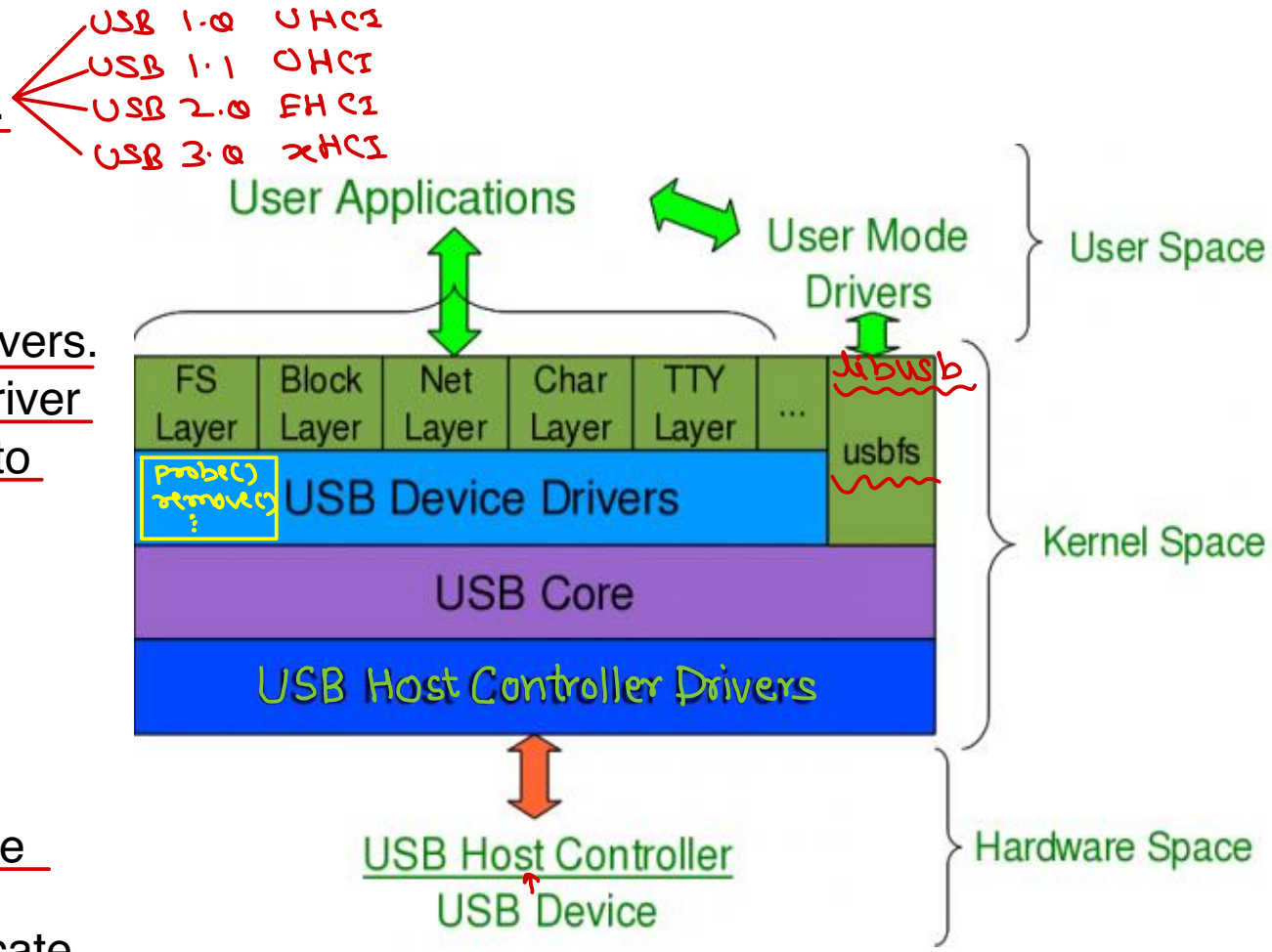
- USB Host driver:
  - The driver runs on host machine (in Linux system).
  - Responsible for giving commands to the device and retrieving data from device.
  - Majority of drivers fall in this type.
  - e.g. Pen drive driver, Keyboard driver, Mouse driver, ...
- USB Client driver:
  - The driver runs in USB device (in Linux system).
  - Responsible for projecting the device as USB device to the host. Take commands from host & execute them.
  - Such drivers are also called as "USB Gadget driver".



# USB subsystem

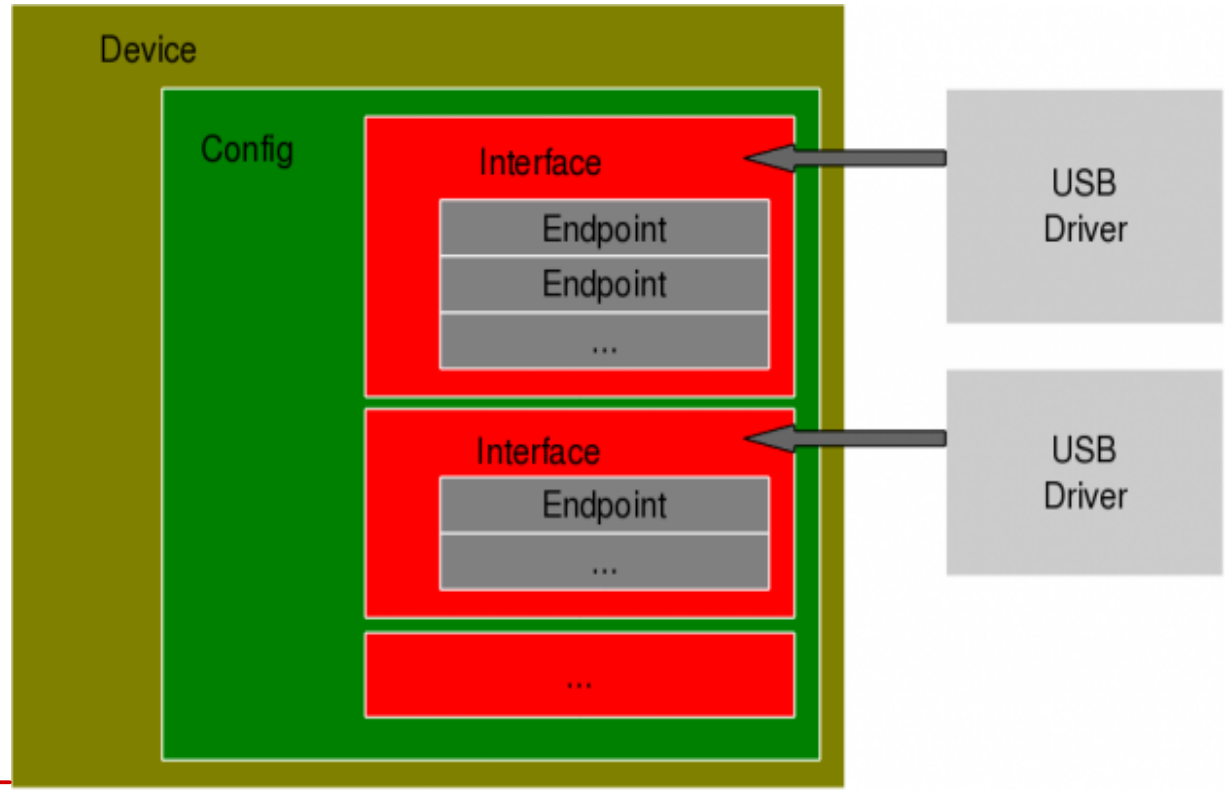
- USB Host Controller Driver
  - HAL communicating with USB device, as per HCI.
- USB Core
  - Core component for functioning of USB devices.
  - Responsible for giving commands to the Host Controller Driver & provide framework for USB drivers.
  - Invokes probe() and remove() functions of USB driver
  - Make detected USB device information available to them as "struct usb_device".
- USB Device Driver
  - USB Host device driver implementation.
- Rest of system can access USB driver.
- "usbfs" component
  - makes USB device info & communication available directly to user space under "/sys".
  - Any user space application can directly communicate with USB devices typically using libusb.
  - Such user space programs are referred as "user-space USB drivers".

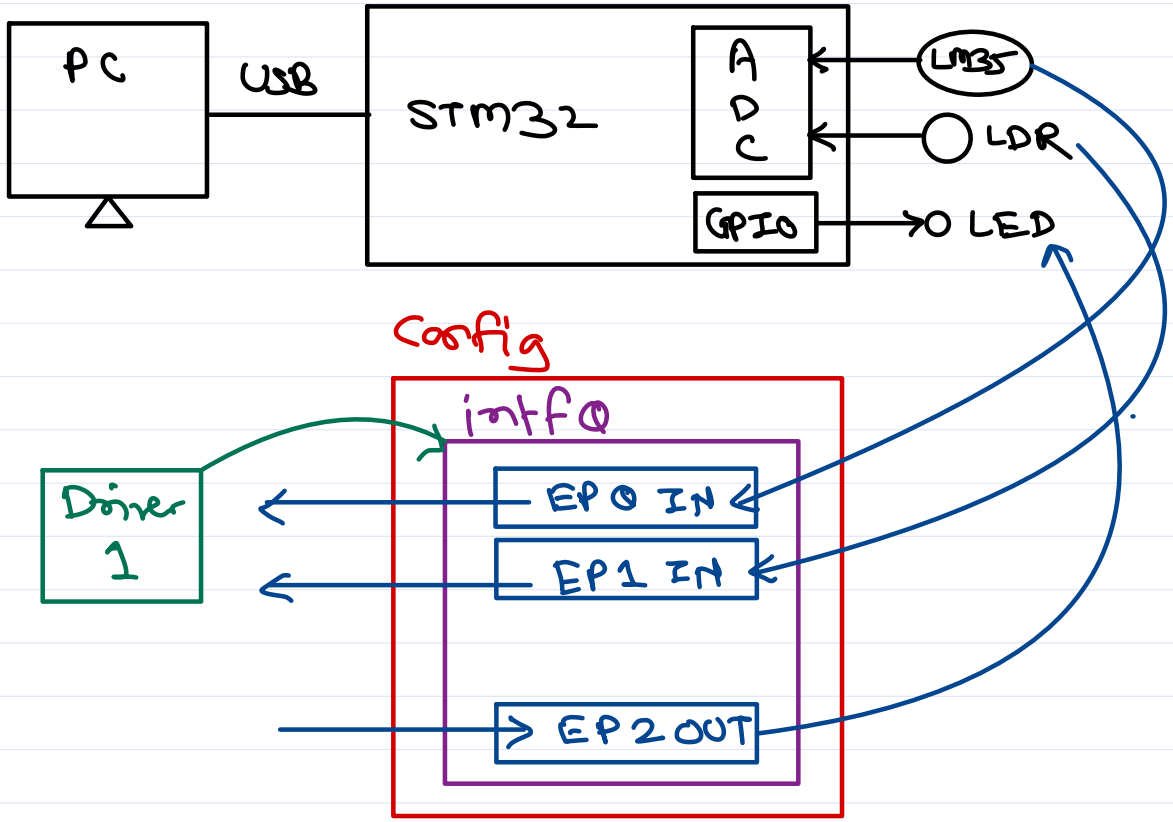


# USB Device structure

- USB device have one (or more) configurations.
  - Usually USB device have single config.
  - Typically config represent a class of device.
  - If device is multi-function (multi-class), then it will have multiple config.
  - e.g. USB device supporting firmware update, will do it via a separate config than its other functionalities.
- A configuration contains one or more interfaces.
  - Each interface provide different functionality.
  - e.g. Device providing mass storage and also providing audio via USB will have two interfaces.
  - There should be one driver per interface.
- An interface contains one or more endpoints.
  - Endpoints are also called as data pipes.
  - Endpoint is basic unit through which communication is done with device.
  - Endpoint is uni-directional. It can be IN or OUT.

CDC → com port
HID → keyboard, mouse
MSD → all storage
Audio → speaker
Custom → m

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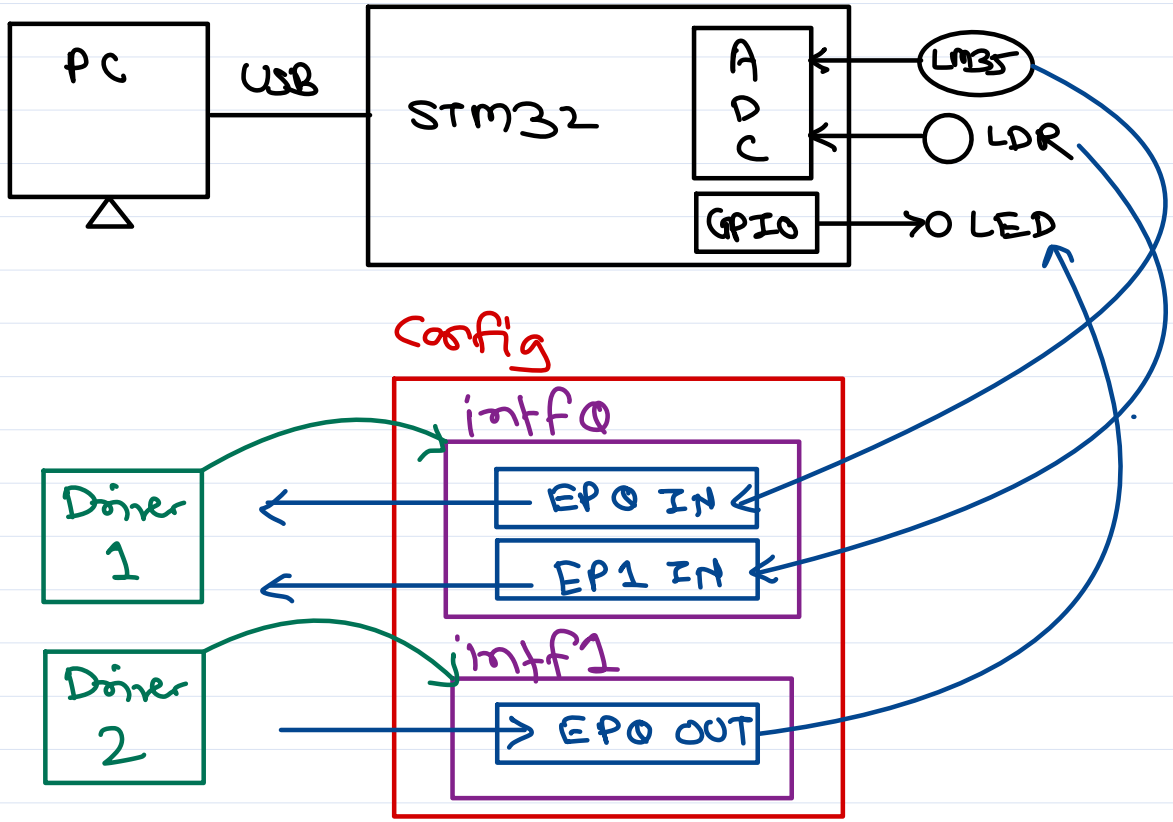
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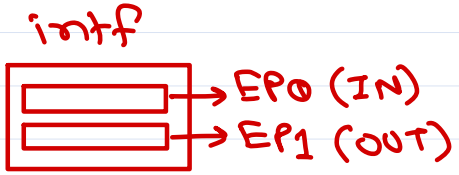
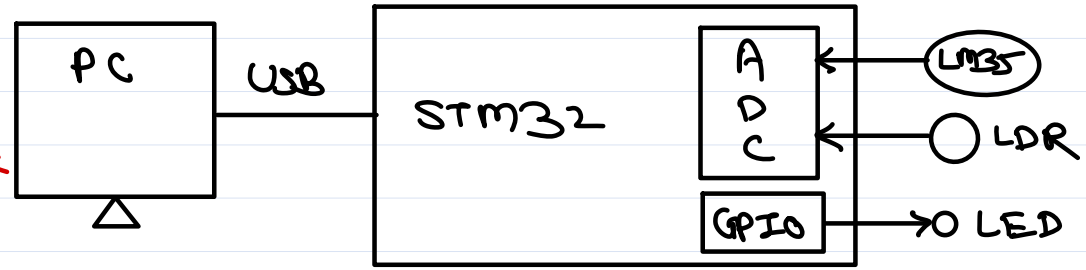
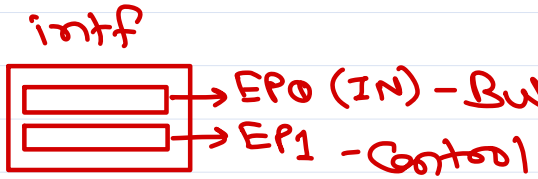
# USB Device Classes

① CDC → like Serial port

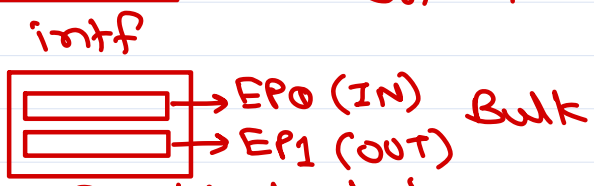



② HID → for kbd, mouse, joystick, etc.




③ MSD → for all storage devices



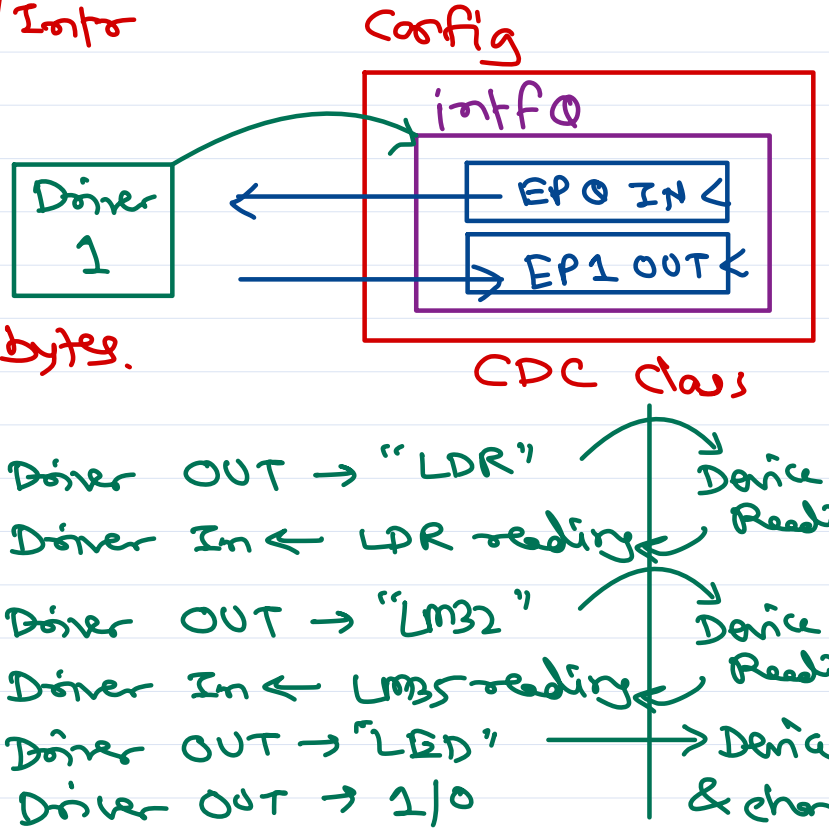

for block device.
Bulk transfer = 512 bytes.

④ Audio → for audio devices like spkr, mic, ..

→ Isochronous endpoint

⑤ Custom

⑥ ...

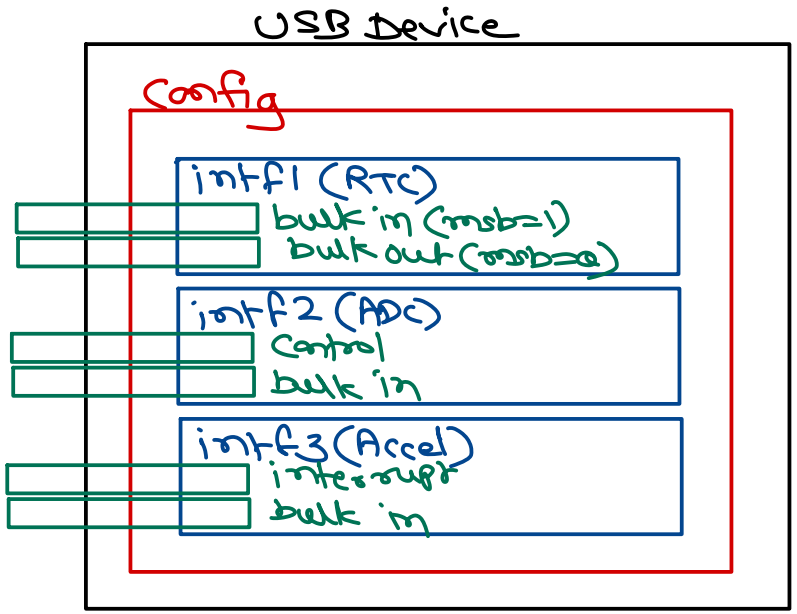


# USB Device structure

- USB Endpoints
  - Based of functionalities there are four types of endpoints:
    - Control
      - Control EP must be there in each interface.
      - Used for config or getting status.
      - Small in size.
      - USB core will guarantee of the bandwidth.
    - Interrupt
      - If device is generating interrupt which should be handled by host, then interrupt is passed via this EP to host.
      - Small in size.
      - USB core will guarantee of the bandwidth.
    - Bulk
      - Data transfer endpoint.
      - Can be IN or OUT. w.r.t. host.
      - Programmer need to allocate buffer for bulk endpoints.
    - Isochronous
      - Data transfer endpoint.
      - Ensures continuity of data transfer, but some data packets might be lost.
      - Mainly used for audio/video streaming.
      - Programmer need to allocate buffer for bulk endpoints.
  - Control & Interrupt EP are for device & device controller, while bulk & Isochronous EP are mainly for device driver.

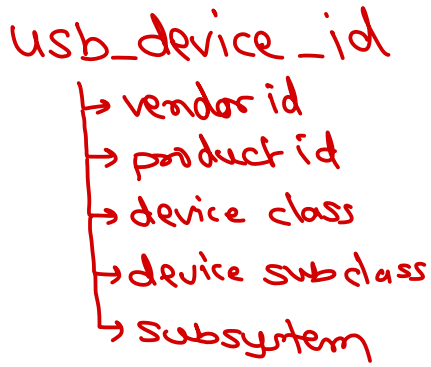
# USB Bus Layout

- Tree like (hierarchical) structure.
- Bus → Hub → Ports → Devices.
- USB commands:
  - lsusb -t
  - lsusb -v
  - tree /sys/bus/usb/devices
    - a-b:c-d -- identifying the device (connection)
      - a - USB root hub controller
      - b - Port of hub
      - c - Config number
      - d - Interface number
        - For each interface there will be separate driver.
  - sudo tree /sys/bus/pci/devices/0000:00:1d.0 (on PC)
  - cat /proc/bus/usb/devices (Linux kernel 2.6)



# USB device structures

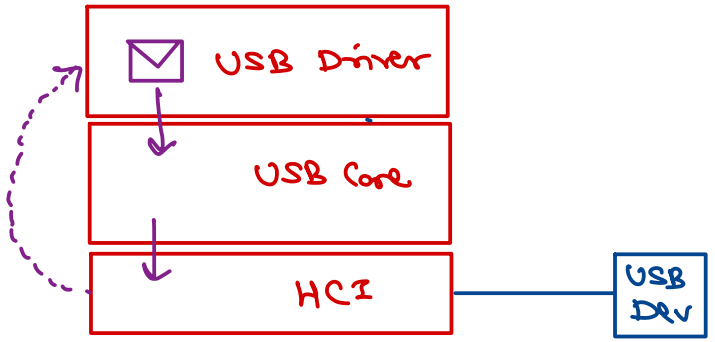
- struct usb_host_endpoint
  - struct usb_endpoint_descriptor
    - bEndpointAddress (address & IN/OUT)
    - bmAttributes (type)
    - wMaxPacketSize (amount of data that can be handled by this device)
    - bInterval (time in ms between interrupt requests)
- struct usb_interface
  - struct usb_host_interface *altsetting (set of endpoint configs)
  - unsigned num_altsetting (number of alternate settings)
  - struct usb_host_interface *cur_altsetting (current active endpoint configs).
  - minor (minor number assigned to interface by USB core – valid for usb_register_dev())
- struct usb_host_config
- struct usb_device
  - descriptor, ep_in[], ep_out[], actconfig, id, ...
- interface_to_usbdev(): get usb_device* from usb_interface*



# USB Request Block

→ like usb packets through which } sent by host to device.
all usb ops are carried out. }

- struct urb – for asynchronous transfer the data from/to USB endpoint.
  - struct usb_device *dev (device to which this URB is to be sent).
  - unsigned int pipe (EP information using usb_sndbulkpipe(), usb_rcvbulkpipe(), …);
  - void *transfer_buffer (send/receive data from device – to be allocated using kmalloc()).
  - int transfer_buffer_length (length of allocated buffer).
  - usb_complete_t complete (completion handler to free/reuse URB). – callback
- Same URB can be reused for multiple data transfer or new URB created for each transfer.
- Endpoint can handle queue of URB.
- URB life cycle
  - Created by a USB device driver.
  - Assigned to a specific endpoint of a specific USB device.
  - Submitted to the USB core, by the USB device driver.
  - Submitted to the specific USB host controller driver for the specified device by the USB core.
  - Processed by the USB host controller driver that makes a USB transfer to the device.
  - When the URB is completed, the USB host controller driver notifies the USB device driver.



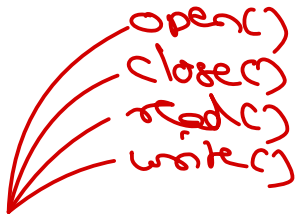
# URB functions

- struct urb *usb_alloc_urb(int iso_packets, int mem_flags);
- void usb_free_urb(struct urb *urb); → usually in completion callback.
- void usb_fill_bulk_urb(struct urb *urb, struct usb_device *dev, unsigned int pipe, void *transfer_buffer, int buffer_length, usb_complete_t complete, void *context);
- void usb_fill_control_urb(struct urb *urb, struct usb_device *dev, unsigned int pipe, void *transfer_buffer, int buffer_length, usb_complete_t complete, void *context);
- int usb_submit_urb(struct urb *urb, int mem_flags);
- int usb_kill_urb(struct urb *urb); - to cancel urb
- int usb_bulk_msg(struct usb_device *usb_dev, unsigned int pipe, void *data, int len, int *actual_length, int timeout);
  - arg1: device to which bulk msg to send.
  - arg2: pipe -- endpoint number
  - arg3 & 4: data buffer & its length
  - arg5: out param -- number of bytes transferred
  - arg6: waiting time for the transfer

# USB driver

vendor id, device id, class, subcls, ..

- Declare table (array) of usb_device_id and initialize it using USB_DEVICE() to USB devices to be handled.
- Export this table to kernel using MODULE_DEVICE_TABLE(usb, table);
- Declare and initialize usb_driver structure with probe and remove functions (globally).
- In module initialization, register usb driver using usb_register().
- In module exit, unregister usb driver using usb_degister(). usb_deregister().
- In device probe operation initialize usb_class_driver with device name and device file_operations. Then register usb device interface using usb_register_dev().
- In device remove operation, register usb device interface using usb_deregister_dev().
- Implement USB device operation. Typically read/write operation can be done using URB or using usb_bulk_msg().




usb_driver operations

1. probe() - called by core when device arrived.
2. disconnect() - called by core when device detached.
3. ioctl() - called when user space appln calls ioctl() - used for usb hub.
4. suspend() - called by core when device is suspended due to idle state.
5. resume() - called by core when device is resumed.


*Thank you!*

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