

GOKUL VASAN

Embedded Linux [Kernel]
Developer



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PROGRAMMING

C • OOC

Yocto • Bitbake • Make

Git

C++ • Python • Quartz • Shell script

LINUX SUBSYSTEM

Memory Management

locking • Diagnostics • LITMUS-RT

Scheduler • Signalling

USERSPACE PLATFORMS

Cisco's Reference Platform • E-Gold

LG-Wise

RTOS

OSEK • OSE166

Micro C OS II

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- 0-1 : Novice (Needs help)
- 1-2 : Advanced beginner (Comfortable)
- 2-3 : Competent (independent)
- 3-4 : Proficient (tutor)
- 4-5 : Expert (visionary)

Education

2014 - 2017 **MSc., Informatik** (GPA: 2.0) [Technische Universität Kaiserslautern](#), Germany
Specialisation: Embedded systems

2002 - 2006 **BTech., Information Technology** (GPA: 2.0) [Anna University](#), India

2006-2007 **Post Graduate Diploma in Embedded Systems** [Cranes Varsity](#), India

2008 **Certification on basics of networking** [IIIT-B](#), India

2011 **Certificate course on Linux Device Drivers** [emertex](#), India

Experience

5.5 Years industrial experience + 2.5 Years Research assistant		
Company	Duration	Designation
Chair of Real Time Systems @ TUKL	Sep 2014 - Jul 2017	Research assistant (HiWi)
CISCO Systems	Aug 2011 - Feb 2014	Software engineer II
LG Electronics	June 2008 - July 2011	Senior Software engineer
Cranes Software Systems (LGE)	Sep 2007 - June 2008	Trainee

Awards

- "Spark award" from CISCO systems.
- "Certificate of Excellence" from LG Electronics.
- "Award for Innovation" from LG Electronics.

Patent and Publications

- **Patent:** Method for making buzz call (Indian patent number: 2235/CHE/2009).
- **Poster presentation:** Download accelerator at [DevCon Monaco](#) from Cisco Systems.

Personal information

Nationality	Indian
Date of birth	07 January 1985
Proficient language	English, Tamil and telugu.
Novice language	German

Tools Created

Quiescent aware task en-queuing [QUITE]

- Generic kernel module that enqueues less important tasks only when the real payload is below a **specified** cut-off threshold.
- specified threshold is made task specific criterion.

Job table generator and parser for slot shifting scheduler

- Uses UUnifast and Ripoll to generate tasks.
- Generates job table and creates interval table from tasks for slot shifting scheduler.

Software watch dog

- Hrtimer based kernel implementation.
- Generic framework to which task registers, sets and resets.
- If task doesn't reset within the registered time, core dump is collected by diagnostics framework.

Heap analyzer for E-Gold platform

- Tool which logs the heap status whenever malloc and free.
- Logs Filename, line number, Date with time when heap fails to allocate.

Ulog: Controlled Syslog interface

- Online switch for user space module logging.

Lockless fifo based separate kernel trace tool

- Separate logging mechanism for debugging schedulers and memory management.

Project name	Use programme phase to dynamic watermark in page reclamation algorithm in Linux kernel
Company/Institution	Master thesis @ TUKL [Micro electronics group]
Software approach	Agile
Platform	Linux
Language and tools used	C, Git, Yocto

Description and contribution:

- * Online programme phase detection algorithm to trigger page reclamation.
- * Design and implement a new resource stealing policy for page reclamation algorithm.
- * Design and implement double chance algorithm, an approach to avoid thrashing.

Project name	slot shifting scheduler implementation in Linux kernel (LITMUS-RT patch)
Company/Institution	Research assitant @ TUKL [chair of real time systems]
Software approach	Agile
Platform	Linux
Language and tools used	C, Git, busybox

Description and contribution:

- * Design and implement slot shifting scheduler for **LITMUS-RT** based Linux kernel.
- * Make the slot shifting scheduler into generic framework independent of OS, with portability wrappers.
- ***source Link:** [gokulvasan/Slot-shifting-in-LITMUS-RT-Kernel-2.6.](#)

Project name	Capacity shifting: Optimization of slot shifting by desynchronizing slots
Company/Institution	Research assitant @ TUKL [chair of real time systems]
Software approach	Agile
Platform	SimSo
Language and tools used	Python, Git

Description and contribution:

- * Design and implement desynchronized slot shifting scheduler called **capacity shifting**.
- * On average scheduling overhead is reduced by 40% and in best cases overhead is reduced by 60%.
- ***source Link:** [gokulvasan/capacity shifting.](#)
- ***Paper:** [slideshare/capacity shifting](#)

Project name	Improve slot shifting's aperiodic task guarantee algorithm performance from $O(N^2)$ to $O(N)$
Company/Institution	Research assitant @ TUKL [chair of real time systems]
Software approach	Agile
Platform	SimSo and Linux kernel
Language and tools used	Python, Git

Description and contribution:

- * Make use of off-line spare capacity computation to improve the existing online performance of aperiodic guarantee algorithm.
- * Asymptotically reduced computation from $O(N^2)$ to $O(N)$, where N is length of relation window.
- * Improved performance and eased implementation.
- ***source Link:** [gokulvasan/capacity shifting/guarantee algorithm.](#)

Project name	File Browser for Infineon's E-Gold
Company/Institution	LG Electronics
Software approach	Waterfall model
Platform	IFX E-Gold (OSE166)
Language and tools used	C and clearcase

Description and contribution:

- * Implemented a common MIDI, MP3, JPEG support interface for File Browser.
- * Implementation of Radix sort for display.
- * Filter support mechanism, On-Click execution.

Project name	Mp3 driver, middleware and player implementation in Infineon E-Gold platform
Company/Institution	LG Electronics
Software approach	Waterfall and Agile [Hybrid approach]
Platform	IFX E-GOLD, OSE166
Language and tools used	C, Clear case

Description and contribution:

- * Owner of the whole MP3 module.
- * Solely designed and scripted the mp3 player from scratch as a whole.
- * Implementation includes: File system traversal, ID3 V1 and V2 parsing, Display sorting .

Teams

Team name	Diagnostics and Linux kernel team
Company/Institution	Cisco Systems
Software approach	Kanban
Platform	Reference platform, Linux kernel
Language and tools used	C, C++, Git, OpenEmbedded, Code collaborator, CDETS

Roles and Responsibilities:

- * Back porting linux kernel patches.
- * Fix issues related to platform Diagnostics module.
- * Hardening the software stability by introducing new debugging features.
- * Integrating busybox into platform.
- * Energy star compliance certification.

Team name	BSP Team
Company/Institution	LG Electronics
Software approach	Waterfall
Platform	Android(V1.5) and Linux kernel
Language and tools used	C, Git.

Roles and Responsibilities:

* Porting linux kernel to new hardware platforms.

* Fix issues related to call related RPC.

* **Chipset:** OMAP4430, MSM7x27 .

Team name	Call Team
Company/Institution	LG Electronics
Software approach	Waterfall
Platform	E-Gold, LG-Wise, RTOS: OSE166, Nucleus
Phone Models	LG7, Ruby, Angela (GS155), GB130, Spring Roll (GU200), GB125, Papaya (T300), Plum (T310).
Language and tools used	C, C++, clear case

Roles and Responsibilities:

* Fix call 3gpp standard related protocol issues.

* Member and coordinator of Code review committee.

* **member** of Wise optimization platform.

Team name	Lab coordinator @ Real time systems Lab
Company/Institution	chair of Real time systems @ TUKL
Software approach	None
Platform	Linux, OSE
Projects	synchronization techniques, Device Drivers, SCHED_DEADLINE, Cgroups, RTOS ap- plications & resource aware RTS.
Language and tools used	C, C++, clear case

Roles and Responsibilities:

* Coordinate and tutor students.

* Propose and design new projects.

* Prepare questionnaire for exam.

I hereby declare that all the information above is true to the best of my knowledge.

Date:

Yours truly,
L.J.Gokul vasan