



Lab #8:

Interrupt Driven IR Remote Device Driver

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INTRODUCTION:

In this lab we added an output to the module that we have created from previous lab which was the IR interrupt. Next, we wrote the driver for the circuit then load and test it on the Zybo board.

PROCEDURE:

1/ The first part of the lab was to add the IR interrupt output to the IP module that we have created from pervious lab. The IR interrupt goes high whenever a full message is received. After that, we created the test C code for circuit.

2/ After having the IR interrupt working, we created the device driver for the circuit. Boot files were also created. After that, we made a devtest file and ran it on the Zybo board Linux system to test the whole combined system.

RESULT:

The results showed from Picocom terminal:

[illegible]

```
k41nt@lin04-424cvlb:~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 0 messages since last checked...  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 0 messages since last checked...  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 0 messages since last checked...  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 0 messages since last checked...  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 0 messages since last checked...  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 0 messages since last checked...  
1...  
2...  
3...  
4...  
5...  
6...  
7...  
8...  
9...  
Outputting messages since previous iteration...  
Read 10 messages since last checked...  
IR Message Recieved: 0x0  
IR Message Recieved: 0x0  
IR Message Recieved: 0x10  
IR Message Recieved: 0x8  
IR Message Recieved: 0x2  
IR Message Recieved: 0x2  
IR Message Recieved: 0x2  
IR Message Recieved: 0x2  
IR Message Recieved: 0x2  
10...  
11...  
12...  
13...
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CONCLUSION:

This lab is a good review of what we did in previous labs (lab4, lab5, lab6. Building the circuit and adding the IR interrupt to the IP peripheral were pretty simple. However, making the device driver and testing it on the zybo board were quite demanding and took me a lot of time. There were so many error occurred during the process (syntax, logical etc.). Debugging was a very time-consuming part of this lab. Despite of some problems I had, it was a good learning experience.

QUESTIONS:

1/ Contrast the use of an interrupt based device driver with the polling method used in the previous lab.

In previous lab, we have to monitor the state of the peripheral by polling register continuously. It wastes time and CPU resources.

In this lab, the interrupt only goes high when a new message comes in. That way the CPU will have more time when waiting to other jobs.

2/ Are there any race conditions that your device driver does not address? If so, what are they and how would you fix them?

The race condition occurs when a queue receives a new message at the same time the reader reads from the queue. To prevent this, we used a counting semaphore.

3/ If you register your interrupt handler as a 'fast' interrupt (i.e. with the SA INTERRUPT flag set), what precautions must you take when developing your interrupt handler routine? Why is this so? Taking this into consideration, what modifications would you make to your existing IR-remote device driver?

Different interrupt may cause different computing time. Therefore, we must take the computing time into consideration. The handler function code is expected to complete in small amount of time. I would remove all the print statements for debugging.

4/ What would happen if you specified an incorrect IRQ number when registering your interrupt handler? Would your system still function properly? Why or why not?

If an incorrect IRQ number is specified, the device driver will not function. The interrupt may trigger a wrong handler and that would cause errors.

CODE:

User logic in ir_demod_v1_0_S00_AXI.v:

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reg [31:0] clockCount;
reg clock;
reg temp_interrupt;
reg Status;
assign reset = ~S_AXI_ARESETN; //S_AXI_ARESETN is active low
assign mainClock = S_AXI_ACLK;
/* Dividing clock by 1,000 to manage counter better */
always@(posedge mainClock) begin
    if (clockCount == 1000 && ~reset) begin
        clock <= 1;
        clockCount <= 0;
    end

    else if (reset) begin
        clockCount <= 0;
        clock <= 0;
    end

    else begin
        clockCount <= clockCount + 1;
        clock <= 0;
    end
end

reg oldSignal; /* Old Signal used for edge detection */
reg [31:0] counter; /* Counter to count time of ~IR_signal */
reg State;
reg NextState;
reg [11:0] demodulatedMessage;
reg startSignal;
reg [31:0] bitCount;
reg keepCounting;

assign IR_interrupt= temp_interrupt;

always@(posedge clock) begin
    oldSignal <= IR_signal;
if (slv_reg2[0]==1'b1) begin //reset interrupt
    Status<=0;
end
end
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temp_interrupt<=0;
end

if (oldSignal && ~IR_signal) begin
    /* We start counting on the negative edge of the clock */
    keepCounting <= 1'b1;
end

else if (~oldSignal && IR_signal) begin //if we just resolve a bit
    /* We stop counting when we reach the positive edge again */
    bitCount <= bitCount + 1; //increment bitCount (we just read a bit)
    keepCounting <= 1'b0; //stop counting
    counter <= 0; //reset counter
    //store the bit we just read into current message

    if (startSignal && bitCount >= 12) begin //if we have received a full
message
        slv_reg0 <= demodulatedMessage;
        slv_reg1 <= slv_reg1 + 1;
        bitCount <= 0;
        startSignal <= 0;

        Status<=1;
        temp_interrupt<=1;

        end

        else if (startSignal && bitCount < 12 && bitCount != 0) begin //in order
to prevent having to use blocking assignments
            demodulatedMessage[11 - (bitCount - 1)] <= State;
        end
    end

    /* IR Signal is Active Low */
    if (keepCounting && ~IR_signal) begin
        counter <= counter + 1;
        /* With a start signal time of 2.4 ms, IR_signal
        should be low for approximately 180 cycles
        Zero Signal = 0.6 ms = 45 cycles
        One Signal = 1.2 = 90 cycles
        I'm using the halfway point between 0 and 1
        to create a fine line between them and resolving
        an appropriate signal (.9 ms = 68 cycles)
        Halfway point between Start and 1 = 1.8 ms = 135 cycles */

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        if (counter >= 20 && counter <= 68) begin
            State <= 0;
        end

        else if (counter >= 69 && counter <= 134) begin
            State <= 1;
        end

        else if (counter >= 135 && counter <= 250) begin
            startSignal <= 1;
            /* Initialize bit count to 0 */
            bitCount <= 0;
        end

        else begin
            /* Just to be safe (it's probably impossible
            to get to here anyway) */
            State <= 0;
        end

    end

end

// User logic ends

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Irq_test.h

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/* All of our linux kernel includes. */
#include <linux/module.h> /* Needed by all modules */
#include <linux/moduleparam.h> /* Needed for module parameters */
#include <linux/kernel.h> /* Needed for printk and KERN_* */
#include <linux/init.h> /* Need for __init macros */
#include <linux/fs.h> /* Provides file ops structure */
#include <linux/sched.h> /* Provides access to the "current" process
task structure */
#include <asm/uaccess.h> /* Provides utilities to bring user space
data into kernel space. Note, it is
processor arch specific. */
#include <linux/semaphore.h> /* Provides semaphore support */
#include <linux/wait.h> /* For wait_event and wake_up */
#include <asm/io.h> //needed for IO reads and writes
#include <linux/interrupt.h> /* Provide irq support functions (2.6
only) */
#include <linux/slab.h> //needed for kcalloc() and kfree()

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#include "xparameters.h" //needed for address of the ir peripheral
/* Some defines */
#define DEVICE_NAME "irq_test"
#define PHY_ADDR XPAR_IR_DEMOD_0_S00_AXI_BASEADDR //physical address of ir
demod
//size of physical address range for multiply
#define MEMSIZE XPAR_IR_DEMOD_0_S00_AXI_HIGHADDR -
XPAR_IR_DEMOD_0_S00_AXI_BASEADDR+1
#define BUF_LEN 80
#define IRQ_NUM 61

/* Function prototypes, so we can setup the function pointers for dev
file access correctly. */
int init_module(void);
void cleanup_module(void);
static int device_open(struct inode *, struct file *);
static int device_release(struct inode *, struct file *);
static ssize_t device_read(struct file *, char *, size_t, loff_t *);
static ssize_t device_write(struct file *, const char *, size_t, loff_t *);
static irqreturn_t irq_handler(int irq, void *dev_id);

/*
* Global variables are declared as static, so are global but only
* accessible within the file.
*/

typedef struct message {
    //each message has two bytes to it (16 bits)
    char byte0;
    char byte1;
} MESSAGE;

static int Major;           /* Major number assigned to our device driver */
static int Device_Open = 0; /* Flag to signify open device */
static char msg[BUF_LEN]; /* The msg the device will give when asked */
static char *msg_Ptr;
static struct semaphore sem; /* mutual exclusion semaphore for race
                                on file open */
static wait_queue_head_t queue; /* wait queue used by driver for
                                blocking I/O */
static int counter = 0; /* keep track of the number of
                        interrupts handled */
static int message = 0;

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static int writeIndex = 0;
static char* byteBuff = (char*)&message; //will use to extract individual bytes of msg
static MESSAGE* messageQueue; //stores 100 messages at a time
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irq_test.c:

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/* irq_test.c - Simple character device module
*
* Demonstrates interrupt driven character device. Note: Assumption
* here is some hardware will strobe a given hard coded IRQ number
* (200 in this case). This hardware is not implemented, hence reads
* will block forever, consider this a non-working example. Could be
* tied to some device to make it work as expected.
*
* (Adapted from various example modules including those found in the
* Linux Kernel Programming Guide, Linux Device Drivers book and
* FSM's device driver tutorial)
*/

/* Moved all prototypes and includes into the headerfile */
#include "irq_test.h"

/* This structure defines the function pointers to our functions for
opening, closing, reading and writing the device file. There are
lots of other pointers in this structure which we are not using,
see the whole definition in linux/fs.h */
static struct file_operations fops = {
    .read = device_read,
    .write = device_write,
    .open = device_open,
    .release = device_release
};

void* virt_addr; //virtual address pointing to ir peripheral

/*
* This function is called when the module is loaded and registers a
* device for the driver to use.
*/

int my_init(void)
{
    printk(KERN_INFO "Mapping virutal address...\n");
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//map virtual address to multiplier physical address//use ioremap
virt_addr = ioremap(PHY_ADDR, MEMSIZE);
printk("Physical Address: 0x%x\n", PHY_ADDR);
printk("Virtual Address: 0x%x\n", virt_addr);
init_waitqueue_head(&queue);      /* initialize the wait queue */

/* Initialize the semaphor we
will use to protect against multiple
users opening the device */

sema_init(&sem, 1);

Major = register_chrdev(0, DEVICE_NAME, &fops);
if (Major < 0) {
    printk(KERN_ALERT "Registering char device failed with %d\n", Major);
    return Major;
}

printk(KERN_INFO "Registered a device with dynamic Major number of %d\n", Major);
printk(KERN_INFO "Create a device file for this device with this command:\n'mknod
/dev/%s c %d 0'.\n", DEVICE_NAME, Major);

return 0;      /* success */
}

/*
* This function is called when the module is unloaded, it releases
* the device file.
*/
void my_cleanup(void)
{
    /*
    * Unregister the device
    */
    unregister_chrdev(Major, DEVICE_NAME);
    printk(KERN_ALERT "unmapping virtual address space...\n");
    iounmap((void*)virt_addr);
}

/*
* Called when a process tries to open the device file, like "cat
* /dev/irq_test". Link to this function placed in file operations
* structure for our device file.

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*/
static int device_open(struct inode *inode, struct file *file)
{
    int irq_ret;

    if (down_interruptible(&sem))
        return -ERESTARTSYS;

    /* We are only allowing one process to hold the device file open at
    a time. */
    if (Device_Open) {
        up(&sem);
        return -EBUSY;
    }
    Device_Open++;

    /* OK we are now past the critical section, we can release the
    semaphore and all will be well */
    up(&sem);

    /* request a fast IRQ and set handler */
    irq_ret = request_irq(IRQ_NUM, irq_handler, 0 /*flags*/, DEVICE_NAME, NULL);
    if (irq_ret < 0) {
        /* handle errors */
        printk(KERN_ALERT "Registering IRQ failed with %d\n", irq_ret);
        return irq_ret;
    }

    try_module_get(THIS_MODULE); /* increment the module use count
                                   (make sure this is accurate or
you                                   won't be able to remove the
                                   module
                                   later. */

    msg_Ptr = NULL;
    printk("Device has been opened\n");

    //allocating messageQueue with enough bytes to store 100 of MESSAGE
    messageQueue = (MESSAGE*)kmalloc(100 * sizeof(MESSAGE), GFP_KERNEL);

    return 0;
}

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/*
 * Called when a process closes the device file.
 */
static int device_release(struct inode *inode, struct file *file)
{
    Device_Open--;          /* We're now ready for our next caller */

    free_irq(IRQ_NUM, NULL);

    /*
     * Decrement the usage count, or else once you opened the file,
     * you'll never get rid of the module.
     */
    module_put(THIS_MODULE);
    printk("Device has been closed\n");
    return 0;
}

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/*
 * Called when a process, which already opened the dev file, attempts to
 * read from it.
 */
static ssize_t device_read(struct file *filp, /* see include/linux/fs.h */
    char *buffer, /* buffer to fill with data */
    size_t length, /* length of the buffer */
    loff_t * offset)
{
    int bytes_read = 0;

    /* In this driver msg_Ptr is NULL until an interrupt occurs */
    //wait_event_interruptible(queue, (msg_Ptr != NULL)); /* sleep until

    //interrupted */

    /*

    * Actually put the data into the buffer

    */
    int i = 0;
    //if we go past the amount of messages we've written
    /*if (length > counter * 2 || length > 200) {
        length = writeIndex * 2;
    }
    */
}

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    */

length = writeIndex * 2;

printk("Read %d messages since last checked...\n", length);
writeIndex = 0;

msg_Ptr = (char*)messageQueue;
for (i = 0; i < length; i++) {
    /*
     * The buffer is in the user data segment, not the kernel segment
     * so "*" assignment won't work. We have to use put_user which
     * copies data from the kernel data segment to the user data
     * segment.
     */
    put_user(*(msg_Ptr++), buffer++); /* one char at a time... */
    bytes_read++;
}

/* completed interrupt servicing reset
pointer to wait for another
interrupt */
msg_Ptr = NULL;

/*
 * Most read functions return the number of bytes put into the buffer
 */
return bytes_read;
}

/*
 * Called when a process writes to dev file: echo "hi" > /dev/hello
 * Next time we'll make this one do something interesting.
 */
static ssize_t
device_write(struct file *filp, const char *buff, size_t len, loff_t * off)
{
    /* not allowing writes for now, just printing a message in the
    kernel logs. */
    printk(KERN_ALERT "Sorry, this operation isn't supported.\n");
    return -EINVAL;          /* Fail */
}

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irqreturn_t irq_handler(int irq, void *dev_id) {
    sprintf(msg, "IRQ Num %d called, interrupts processed %d times\n", irq, counter++);
    printk("%d...\n", counter);
    msg_Ptr = (char*)messageQueue; //pointer array to the start of the queue
    message = ioread32(virt_addr + 0);

    if (writeIndex == 100) { //every 100 messages we send a wake signal
                                                //reset writeIndex when it becomes large
                                                /* Just wake up anything waiting
                                                for the device */

        //wake_up_interruptible(&queue);
        writeIndex = 0;
    }

    messageQueue[writeIndex].byte0 = byteBuff[0]; //write to the message queue
    messageQueue[writeIndex].byte1 = byteBuff[1];
    writeIndex++;
    iowrite32(0x80000000, virt_addr + 8); //clear the interrupt

    return IRQ_HANDLED;
}

/* These define info that can be displayed by modinfo */
MODULE_LICENSE("GPL");
MODULE_AUTHOR("Khanh Nguyen");
MODULE_DESCRIPTION("Module which creates a character device and allows user
interaction with it");

/* Here we define which functions we want to use for initialization
and cleanup */
module_init(my_init);
module_exit(my_cleanup);

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devtest.c

```

#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

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int main() {
    printf("IR Remote Device Driver by Khanh Nguyen!\n");
    unsigned int message;
    char* msg_Ptr = (char*)&message; //used to write 1 byte at a time to message
    int fd; //file descriptor
    char input = 0;
    char* outputBuffer = (char*)malloc(200 * sizeof(char)); //enough to read all 100
messages

    //open device file for reading and writing

    //user open to open 'dev/ir_demod/'
    fd = open("/dev/irq_test", O_RDWR);

    //handle error opening file
    if (fd == -1) {
        printf("Failed to open device file!\n");
        return -1;
    }
    int i = 0;
    for (;;) {
        int bytesRead = read(fd, outputBuffer, 200); //read up to 100 messages at a time

        for (i = 0; i < bytesRead / 2; i++) { //print all 100 messages
            msg_Ptr[0] = outputBuffer[i * 2];
            msg_Ptr[1] = outputBuffer[i * 2 + 1];
            msg_Ptr[2] = 0;
            msg_Ptr[3] = 0;
            printf("IR Message: 0x%x\n", message);
        }
        printf("\n");
        sleep(1); //sleep for () seconds
    }
    close(fd);
    free(outputBuffer);
    return 0;
}

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