Labs

- Usermode drivers
 - + Toggle and change the trigger of the Raspberry Pi builtin onboard LED
 - \circ + GPIO
 - + Toggling an external LED via the Raspberry Pi using a simple LED circuit on a breadboard
 - DH120 temperature and humidity sensor
 - usermode I2C driver
 - SSD1306 (compatible) OLED display
 - usermode I2C driver
- Kernel-mode drivers
 - o I2C RTC
- USB [?]
- Alberto Liberal book
 - o (on Kindle) Linux Driver Development with Raspberry Pi (Practical Labs)
 - o code: https://github.com/ALIBERA/linux-raspberrypi book

First, ensure you read the *RPi_Zero_W_Setup_Manual* (PDF) and have the target board fully setup.

Lab 1 : Controlling Raspberry Pi Zero [W]'s ONBOARD LED from userspace – toggling it and modifying the 'trigger'

- 1. Login (over SHH) to the board; run as root.
- 2. Examine the onboard LEDs via their sysfs pseudofiles:

```
rpi # ls -l /sys/class/leds/
total 0
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 Aug 23 10:42 default-on -> ../../devices/virtual/leds/default-
on/
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 Aug 23 10:42 led0 -> ../../devices/platform/leds/leds/led0/
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 Aug 23 10:42 mmc0 -> ../../devices/virtual/leds/mmc0/
```

The Raspberry Pi Zero [W] has only one LED represented by the **led0** pseudofile (we'll just refer to it as 'file' from now on; understand that it's a pseudofile on sysfs), is the clearly visible LED on the board. (The later Raspberry Pi models have two LEDs – typically using one for power and one for microSD card access).

3. What does it indicate by default? To figure this, lookup it's **trigger** file:

rpi # cat /sys/class/leds/led0/trigger none rc-feedback kbd-scrolllock kbd-numlock kbd-capslock kbd-kanalock kbd-shiftlock kbd-altgrlock kbd-ctrllock kbd-altlock kbd-shiftllock kbd-shiftrlock kbd-ctrlllock kbdctrlrlock timer oneshot heartbeat backlight gpio cpu cpu0 default-on input panic

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[actpwr] mmc1 mmc0 rfkill-any rfkill-none rfkill0 rfkill1

The entry within square brackets is the default trigger – it's 'actpwr' (aka ACT); it shows whether power is applied.

4. Make it interesting – write a small script on the CLI, allowing you to test different triggers and see their effect on LED0:

```
rpi # while [ true ]
> do
> echo Enter trigger:
> read trig
> echo $trig > /sys/class/leds/led0/trigger
> done
Enter trigger:
heartbeat
Enter trigger:
cpu0
Enter trigger:
actpwr
Enter trigger:
mmc0
```

(Use it as a *disk activity LED*: on the RPi Zero, mmc0 is the block device for the /boot partition and mmc1 for the root partition).

- 5. To take over control of the LED, write none into the trigger file; you can now control it via the brightness file
 - 1. writing 1 to brightness turns it on
 - 2. writing 0 to brightness turns it off
- 6. Assignment: led onboard.sh

Write a simple bash (or other) script to toggle the onboard LED (on/off) by the interval specified as a parameter (in milliseconds)

7. Assignment: led_onboard.c

Write a C program to toggle the onboard LED (on/off) by the interval specified as a parameter (in milliseconds)

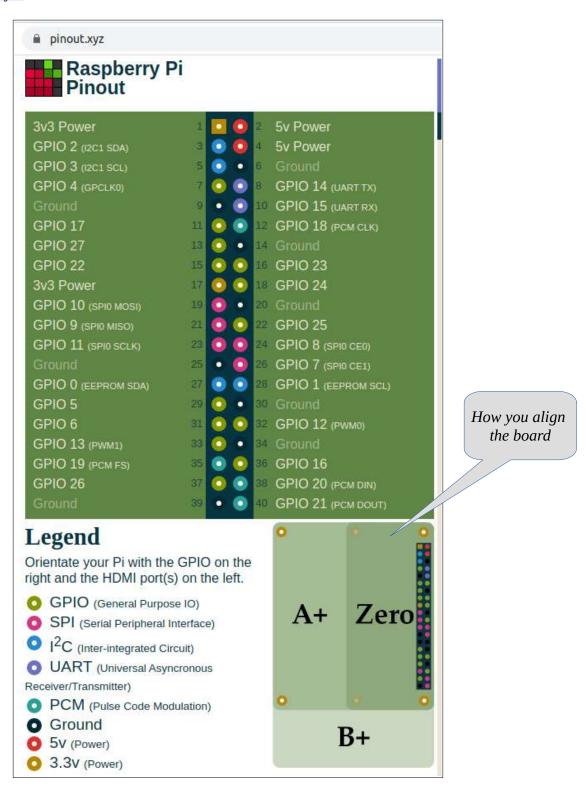
Additional reading:

- Controlling PWR and ACT LEDs on the Raspberry Pi, Jeff Geerling, Mar 2015
- https://forums.raspberrypi.com/viewtopic.php?t=321025
- Blinking an LED via GPIO in Python

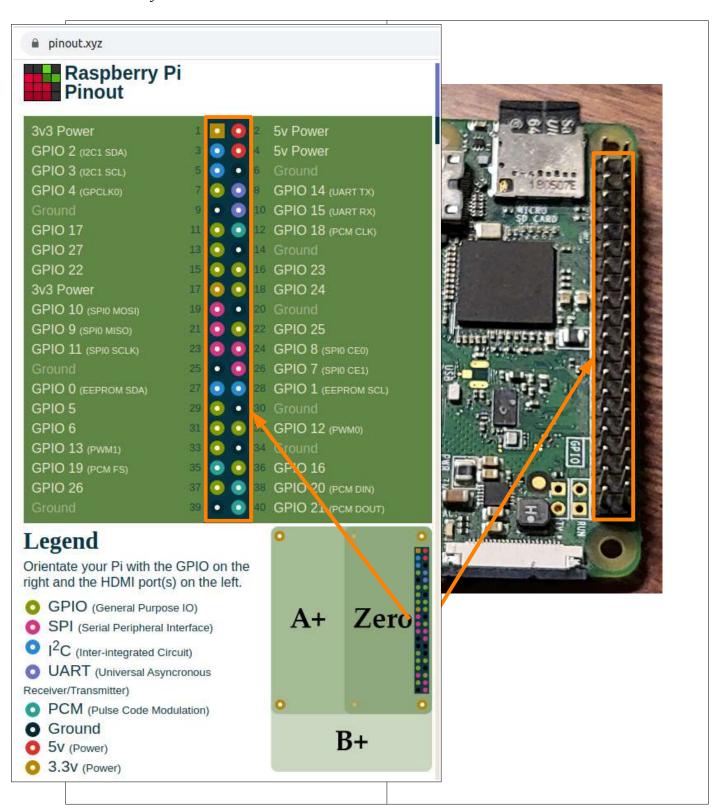
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Raspberry Pi Zero W pinout

https://pinout.xyz/



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Tip: Run the awesome *pinout* Python script!

```
rpi ~ $ pinout
  1000 000000 00000 J8
             +---+ PiZero W|s
 Revision : 9000c1
SoC : BCM2835
RAM : 512MB
Storage : MicroSD
USB ports : 1 (of which 0 USB3)
Ethernet ports : 0 (0Mbps max. speed)
Wi-fi : True
Bluetooth : True
Camera ports (CSI) : 1
Display ports (DSI): 0
  3V3 (1) (2) 5V
 GPI02 (3) (4) 5V
GPI03 (5) (6) GND
 GPI04 (7) (8) GPI014
GND (9) (10) GPI015
GPI017 (11) (12) GPI018
GPI027 (13) (14) GND
GPI022 (15) (16) GPI023
   3V3 (17) (18) GPI024
GPI010 (19) (20) GND
 GPI09 (21) (22) GPI025
GPI011 (23) (24) GPI08
   GND (25) (26) GPI07
 GPI00 (27) (28) GPI01
 GPI05 (29) (30) GND
 GPI06 (31) (32) GPI012
GPI013 (33) (34) GND
GPI019 (35) (36) GPI016
GPI026 (37) (38) GPI020
   GND (39) (40) GPI021
For further information, please refer to https://pinout.xyz/
```

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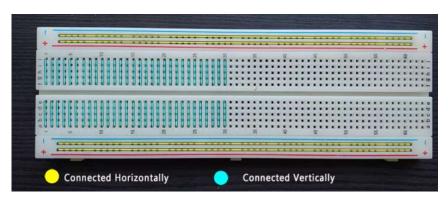
Lab 2 : Controlling EXTERNAL LEDs with the Raspberry Pi Zero [W]'s onboard GPIO pins from userspace

- 1. The hardware part: what you'll need:
 - The SBC Raspberry Pi Zero W (or any other model, for that matter)
 - A breadboard
 - o 2 x LEDs
 - 2 x resistors (anything from 220 Ohm to 1 kOhm)
 - Hookup cables

2. Prerequisites:

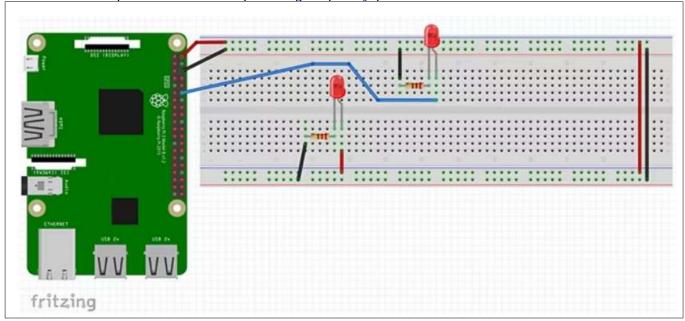
Read these:

- How to Program Your Raspberry Pi to Control LED Lights, Ian Buckly, July 2018
- IMP: What Is a Breadboard and How Do You Use One?



3. The Circuit:

Src: https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/raspberry-pi-control-led/



Connect as shown.

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REALLY Important – when working with hardware

- Ensure the power supply ratings are the right and official one for the board; more problems are caused by incorrect / cheap power supplies than anything else!
- Using a breadboard is nice for convenience and "trying things out" but can be a huge pain
 when jumper cables / wires are of poor quality and/or the connections aren't good or stable
 (soldering is superior but requires a PCB and more effort/skill)
- When connecting stuff, always power down the board, remove the power cable and then work on it (using a grounding wire on the lab table is a good idea too)
- When it doesn't work, check, and then recheck, all your wiring. Is it loose? Did you read the (GPIO/other) pins right (Board #s vs BCM GPIO #s, etc).
- 4. Login (over SHH) to the board; run as root
- 5. The GPIOs can be exposed; they're seen as sysfs files (technically, the GPIO sysfs interface is deprecated in favour of a kernel-level char driver API interface; we can still use the sysfs interface for a while though...):

```
# ls -l /sys/class/gpio/
total 0
--w--w---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 9 16:21 export
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root gpio 0 Sep 9 16:21 gpiochip0 ->
../../devices/platform/soc/20200000.gpio/gpio/gpiochip0/
--w--w---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 9 16:21 unexport
#
```

'Export' the required GPIO pin, making it 'appear' here, by writing the (Broadcom) GPIO pin # into the export pseudofile:

NOTE! CAREFUL!

The GPIO pin # to use is Not the physical pin number (seen on the pinout), rather it's the number GPIOn. So, here, when we connect the wire to physical pin 12 it corresponds to GPIO 18! That's the number to use. (It's called the Broadcom (BCM) number as opposed to the physical board number; we're using the BCM #).

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```
1 2 5v Power
3 0 4 5v Power
5 0 5 Ground
7 0 8 GPIO 14 (UART TX)
9 0 10 GPIO 15 (UART RX)
11 0 12 GPIO 18 (PCM CLK)
13 0 14 Ground
```

The (truncated) output of the *pinout* app shows the physical board # in brackets and the Broadcom # as GPIOn:

```
[...] GND (9) (10) GPI015
GPI017 (11) (12) GPI018
GPI027 (13) (14) GND [...]
```

Ref: <u>Difference between BCM and BOARD pin numbering in Raspberry Pi</u>

The screenshot shows how we set it up:

```
rpi ~ $ sudo /bin/bash
root@rpi0wlabrat:/home/labrat# . /Osetup rpi.bash
CPU temp (millic): 37932
rpi labrat # PS1='# '
# ls -l /sys/class/gpio/
total 0
--w--w---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 9 19:13 export
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root gpio 0 Sep 9 19:13 gpiochip0 -> ../../devices/platform/soc/20200000.gpio/gpio/gpio/spiochip0/
-W--W--- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 9 19:13 unexport
# echo 18 > /sys/class/gpio/export
# ls -l /sys/class/gpio/
                                                Export qpio18
total 0
--w--w---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 10 12:44 export
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root
                         0 Sep 10 12:44 gpio18 -> ../../devices/platform/soc/20200000.gpio/gpio/gpio/gpi
018/
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root gpio
                         0 Sep 9 19:13 gpiochip8 -> ../../devices/platform/soc/20200000.gpio/gpio/gpiochip0/
--w--w--- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 9 19:13 unexport
                                                         ...and there it is!
# ls -l /sys/class/gpio/gpio18/
total 0
-rw-rw---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 10 12:44 active low
                        0 Sep 10 12:44 device -> ../../gpiochip0/
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root gpio
-rw-rw---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 10 12:44 direction
-rw-rw---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 10 12:44 edge
drwxrwxr-x 2 root gpio
                         0 Sep 10 12:44 power/
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root gpio
                         0 Sep 10 12:44 subsystem -> ../../../../../class/gpio/
-rw-rw-r-- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 10 12:44 uevent
-rw-rw---- 1 root gpio 4096 Sep 10 12:44 value
# cat /sys/class/gpio/gpio18/direction
                                                        Set direction to 'out'
# echo out > /sys/class/gpio/gpio18/direction
# cat /sys/class/gpio/gpio18/direction
out
```

6. The actual state of the GPIO pin can be seen / read and changed via it's value sysfs file:

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- i. Set the GPIO pin high by writing 1 into value (thus turning the LED on): echo 1 > /sys/class/gpio/gpio18/value
- ii. Delay a bit... sleep 1
- iii. Set the GPIO pin low by writing 0 into value (thus turning the LED off):
 echo 0 > /sys/class/gpio/gpio18/value
 sleep 1

Done.

8. Assignment: ledblink.sh

Write a simple bash script to toggle an external LED on a breadboard circuit on/off by the interval specified as a parameter (in milliseconds)

9. Assignment: ledblink.c

Write a C program to toggle an external LED on a breadboard circuit on/off by the interval specified as a parameter (in milliseconds).

Ref:

- GPIO Programming: Using the sysfs Interface
- <u>GPIO Sysfs Interface for Userspace</u> *kernel documentation*; explains the layout and meaning of the pseudo-files under sysfs relating to gpio; also stresses that one should NOT abuse this interface when a proper / official kernel driver exists for the hardware being driven!
- https://pimylifeup.com/raspberry-pi-gpio/

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I2C and the DHT2x temperature + humidity sensor

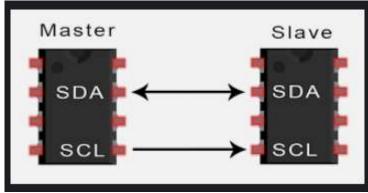
First, learn about the very popular widely used I2C (Inter-Inter Connect) 2-wire protocol that drives chip like this one!

Refer:

Linux Kernel and Driver Development, Bootlin (aka Free electrons): linux-kernel-and-driver-dev.pdf: pg 172 – 185

Ref (for notes following):

https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/i2c/all

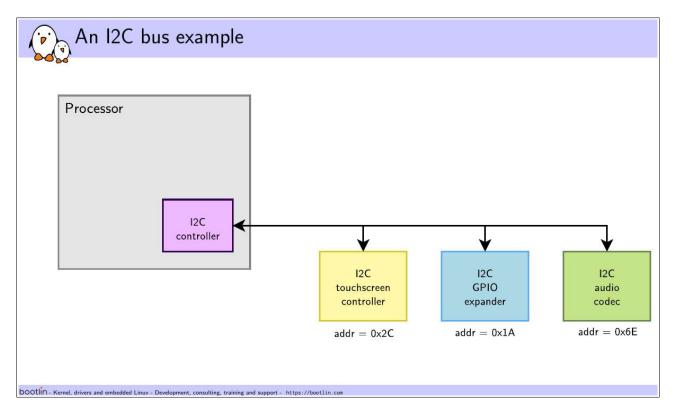


<Master/Controller>

<Client chip or peripheral>

- simple and efficient; only 2 wires (SCL Serial CLock, SDA Serial DaTa)
- master / controller initiates communication with the slave or client chip
- I2C controller is usually part of the SoC or processor
- 'Each slave device is identified by a unique I2C address. Each transaction initiated by the master contains this address, which allows the relevant slave to recognize that it should reply to this particular transaction.'

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I2C Address List

- Supports
 - multiple controllers (unlike SPI)
 - multiple clients up to 1008 peripherals (client chips)!
 - clock speeds
 - 0 to 5 Mhz (original I2C)
 - 10 KHz to 100 KHz (Intel's *System Management Bus (SMBus)* version; more controlled protocol)
- 7 bit addresses for addressing clients; implies client addresses range from 0 to 127 (0x0 to 0x7F).

Ref:

- I2C protocol basics- 'How to use I2C in STM32F103C8T6? STM32 I2C Tutorial'
- Linux Kernel and Driver Development, Bootlin (aka Free electrons): linux-kernel-and-driver-dev.pdf: pg 172 185
- Kernel doc: <u>Implementing I2C device drivers</u>
- Kernel doc: <u>Implementing I2C client drivers in user-space</u>
- Raspberry Pi SPI and I2C Tutorial
- Interfacing with I2C Devices (eLinux)

With the DHT11 sensor chip (Kernel drv: drivers/iio/humidity/dht11.c)

For all code / docs refer the GitHub repo here: https://github.com/kaiwan/labrat_drv/tree/main/dht2x_temp_humd_i2c_driver

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- Set up a connection via a USB-to-serial console cable or SSH (preferred) to your hardware board. Here, we assume it's a Raspberry Pi (in particularly, am working with a Raspberry Pi 4 Model B; relevant for the DTS / DTB!) Login to the board.
- 2. Ensure that I2C is enabled (sudo raspi-config)
- 3. Ensure the following packages are installed: sudo apt install -y i2c-tools libi2c-dev python3-smbus
- 4. Obtain the board's DTS, edit it to include the DHT2x I2C sensor chip, compile it to the DT blob (DTB file), set the new DTB as the one used at boot.
 - 1. In the repo, <u>here's the edited DTS</u>.. The stanza added:

```
i2c@7e804000 {
      pinctrl-names = "default";
      #address-cells = <0x01>;
      [\ldots]
      /* KNB: added node for DHT2x temp/humd sensor chip, to match my driver
       * Also note it's added in the right place, under the relevant I2C node
       */
      dht2x: dht22@0 {
            compatible = "knb,dht2x";
            reg = <0x38>;
            pinctrl-names = "default";
                      pinctrl-0 = <&dht11_pins>; */
            status = "okay";
            #clock-cells = <1>;
      };
[\ldots]
2. Compile DTS:
   $ dtc my rpi4b dht2x.dts -o my rpi4b dht2x.dtb 2>&1 |cut -d: -f2-| grep
   256.19-263.6: Warning (i2c bus req): /soc/i2c@7e804000/dht22@0: I2C bus
   unit address format error, expected "38"
```

Looks like we can ignore this warning...

3. Copy the new DTB into /boot, then edit /boot/config.txt and add this line device_tree=my_rpi4b_dht2x.dtb in order to override the default DTB with ours...

(Ensure you keep the original DTB (here, it's /boot/bcm2711-rpi-4-b.dtb) intact!)

- 1. Ref:
 - 1. Raspberry Pi /boot/config.txt: https://www.raspberrypi.com/documentation/computers/config_txt.html
 - 2. Raspberry Pi DTBs, overlays and config.txt: https://www.raspberrypi.com/documentation/computers/configuration.html#part3.1
- 2. Test by rebooting; if all okay, the board reboots correctly, and you can see your new entry for the DHT2x within /proc/device-tree!

 NOTE- if your board does not reboot, it's likely because the DTB isn't good; remove

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the 'device_tree=<...>' line in config.txt (IOW, let it use the original DTB), reboot, fix the issues and retry...

```
Rebooted with the new DTB; can see it's ok:

$ ls /proc/device-tree/soc/i2c@7e804000/dht22@0/

'#clock-cells' compatible name pinctrl-names reg status
```

4. Shutdown, power off, and connect the DHT2x sensor to your board:

Raspberry Pi 4 (and Pi 3 / Pi 0W) pinout:

Raspberry P1 4 (and P1 3 / P	7.		Physical F	Nima.		
	Function	BCM	pin#	pin#	BCM	Function
	3.3 Volts		1	2		5 Volts
	GPIO/SDA1 (12C)	2	3	4		5 Volts
	GPIO/SCL1 (I2C)	3	5	6		GND
	GPIO/GCLK	4	7	8	14	TX UART/GPIO
Annumus Annumus	GND		9	10	15	RX UART/GPIO
	GPIO	17	11	12	18	GPIO
850	GPIO	27	13	14		GND
000	GPIO	22	15	16	23	GPIO
	3.3 Volts		17	18	24	GPIO
	MOSI (SPI)	10	19	20	-	GND
	MISO(SPI)	9	21	22	25	GPIO
	SCLK(SPI)	11	23	24	8	CEO_N (SPI)
	GND		25	26	7	CE1_N (SPI)
	RESERVED		27	28	*	RESERVED
	GPIO	5	29	30		GND
	GPIO	6	31	32	12	GPIO
William Sauger	GPIO	13	33	34		GND
Trxcom®	GPIO	19	35	36	16	GPIO
cPulus	GPIO	26	37	38	20	GPIO
	GND		39	40	21	GPIO

DHT2x pinout

HT2	0 Pin Ou	ıt:	
Pins	Name	Describe	
1	VDD	Power supply(2.2v to 5.5v)	
2	SDA	Serial Data Bidirectional port	P ASAIR C
3	GND	Ground	
4	SCL	Serial clock Bidirectional port	1 2 3 4

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VDD (power) to +3.3V (pin 1 on the Raspberry Pi)

5. After starting up with it attached, i2cdetect should show it:

```
$ i2cdetect -y 1
   0 1 2 3 4
               5 6
                   7 8
                         9
                           a
                             Ь
                               C
                                  d
00:
10: -- -- -- -- -- --
20: -- -- -- --
30: -- -- -- -- --
                      38 -- --
40: -- -- -- -- -- --
60: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --
70: -- -- -- -- -- --
```

Perfect – it's on I2C bus 1, device address 0x38, as expected!

6. Write / edit the device driver, build it, test, install it:

(I found that without the sudo depmod in the Makefile, the driver gets installed but not detected and loaded up at boot, even with putting it into /etc/modules-load.d/<name>.conf!

```
rpi 5.15.76-v8+ # grep -i dht2x *
grep: build: Is a directory
grep: extra: Is a directory
grep: kernel: Is a directory
rpi 5.15.76-v8+ # depmod
rpi 5.15.76-v8+ # grep -i dht2x *
grep: build: Is a directory
grep: extra: Is a directory
grep: kernel: Is a directory
modules.alias:alias i2c:knb,dht2x dht2x_kdrv
modules.alias:alias of:N*T*Cknb,dht2xC* dht2x_kdrv
modules.alias:alias of:N*T*Cknb,dht2x dht2x_kdrv
grep: modules.alias.bin: binary file matches
modules.dep:extra/dht2x_kdrv.ko.xz:
grep: modules.dep.bin: binary file matches
rpi 5.15.76-v8+ #
```

The driver code and Makefile is *in the GitHub repo*...

Though unnecessary here, in general, to have the kernel auto-load the driver, create this file:

```
$ cat /etc/modules-load.d/dht2x_kdrv.conf
# The DHT2x temp+humd I2C sensor chip
dht2x_kdrv
$
```

Here, the kernel bus driver, detecting that the DHT2x chip's present, auto-loads (via the udev mechanism) the driver!

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7. Reboot; the driver should now be auto-loaded; the (I2C) bus driver pairs it with the sensor chip and the probe() method gets called. Great!

Moreover, the sysfs hooks are setup and ready to use; a quick demo shows its working just fine:

```
$ ls -l /sys/bus/i2c/devices/1-0038/
total 0
-r--r-- 1 root root 4096 Nov 25 14:28 dht2x humd
-r--r-- 1 root root 4096 Nov 25 14:28 dht2x temp
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root
                        0 Nov 25 14:01 driver ->
../../../../bus/i2c/drivers/dht2x/
-r--r-- 1 root root 4096 Nov 25 14:28 modalias
-r--r-- 1 root root 4096 Nov 25 14:01 name
                         0 Nov 25 14:28 of node ->
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root
'../../../../../firmware/devicetree/base/soc/i2c@7e804000/dht22@0'/
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root
                        0 Nov 25 14:28 power/
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root
                         0 Nov 25 14:01 subsystem -> ../../../../bus/i2c/
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 4096 Nov 25 14:01 uevent
$ cat /sys/bus/i2c/devices/1-0038/dht2x humd
$ cat /sys/bus/i2c/devices/1-0038/dht2x temp
23427$
```

Realize, of course, that the

- humidity value is in milli-percentage points (so humidity is currently 77.507%)
- similarly, temperature is expressed in millidegrees Celsius (so temperature is currently 23.427 degC)

Success!

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