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## Part 3

### Implementation of desired kernel module and user program

#### Implement the module

Now What will this module do and how?

tops\_init is the first routine that will be runned , the module is well commented so just read the comments to see what happens.

```
#include <linux/init.h>
#include <linux/module.h> //for module programming
#include <linux/sched.h> //for task_struct
#include <linux/jiffies.h> //for file_operations write and read
#include <linux/kernel.h> //for kernel programming
#include <linux/cred.h>
#include <linux/proc_fs.h> //for using proc
#include <linux/seq_file.h> // for using seq operations
#include <linux/fs.h> //for using file_operations
#include <linux/mm_types.h> //for using vm_area struct
#include <asm/uaccess.h> //for user to kernel and vice versa access
#include <linux/string.h> //for string libs

MODULE_LICENSE("Dual BSD/GPL"); //module license

static char buff[20]="1"; //the common(global) buffer between kernel and user space
static int user_pid; //the desired pid that we get from user
static int numberOpens = 0; //number of opens(writes) to the pid file

//skip these instances (will be described bellow)
static struct proc_dir_entry *topsDir, *topsFile, *topsWrite;

static int procfile_open(struct inode *inode, struct file *file);
static ssize_t procfile_read(struct file*, char*, size_t, loff_t*);
static ssize_t procfile_write(struct file*, const char*, size_t, loff_t*);

//det proc file_operations starts

//this function is the base function to gather information from kernel
static int tops_show(struct seq_file *m, void *v) {
    struct task_struct *task;
    u64 delta, total;
```



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```
u64 usage; //for knowing cpu usage
sscanf(buff, "%d", &user_pid); //type cast pid from user(buff) to
integer
task = pid_task(find_vpid(user_pid), PIDTYPE_PID); //get the task from
pid

total = ((task->utime + task->stime) / HZ) * 1000000000;
delta = ktime_get_ns() - task->start_time;
usage = (1000 * total) / delta; //cpu usage

//now print the information we want to the det file
seq_printf(m, "PID \tNAME \tCPU \tSTART_CODE \tEND_CODE
\tSTART_DATA\tEND_DATA \tBSS_START\tBSS_END\n");
seq_printf(m, "%.5d\t%.7s\t%llu.%llu\t0x%.13lx\t0x%.13lx\t0x%.13lx\t0x
%.13lx\t0x%.13lx\t0x%.13lx\n", task->pid, task->comm, usage / 10, usage % 10,
task->active_mm->start_code, task->active_mm->end_code, task->active_mm-
>start_data, task->active_mm->end_data, task->active_mm->mmap->vm_next->vm_next-
>vm_start, task->active_mm->mmap->vm_next->vm_next->vm_end);

return 0;
}

//runs when opening file
static int tops_open(struct inode *inode, struct file *file) {
    return single_open(file, tops_show, NULL); //calling tops_show
}

//file operations of det proc
static const struct file_operations tops_fops = {
    .owner = THIS_MODULE,
    .open = tops_open, //this is really important!
    .read = seq_read,
    .llseek = seq_lseek,
    .release = single_release,
};

//elf proc file_operations starts

//runs when elf opens
//will be called every time this file is accessed shows number of accessed
times
static int procfile_open(struct inode *inode, struct file *file)
{
    numberOpens++;
    printk(KERN_INFO "procfile opened %d times", numberOpens);
    return 0;
}

//when we cat elf file this function will be runned (this is useless here)
because our info is in det file not here!
static ssize_t procfile_read(struct file *file, char *buffer, size_t length,
loff_t *offset)
```



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```
{
    static int finished = 0; //normal return value other than '0' will cause loop
    int ret = 0;

    printk(KERN_INFO "procfile read called\n");

    if (finished) {
        printk(KERN_INFO "procfs read: END\n");
        finished = 0;
        return 0;
    }

    finished = 1;
    ret = sprintf(buffer, "buff variable : %s\n", buff);
    return ret;
}

//most important function of elf! called when we write some characters into it
static ssize_t procfile_write(struct file *file, const char *buffer, size_t
length, loff_t *offset)
{
    strncpy_from_user(buff, buffer, sizeof(buff)); //copy the characters to buff (global buffer, inorder to use it in kernel)
    printk(KERN_INFO "procfs_write called\n");
    return -EFAULT; // (return 0;) will result a loop for unknown reason. same solution as procfile_read did not work
}

static struct file_operations write_fops = {
    .owner = THIS_MODULE,
    .open = procfile_open,
    .read = procfile_read,
    .write = procfile_write, //this is the important part
};

static int tops_init(void) {
    topsDir = proc_mkdir("elf_det", NULL); //creating the directory: elf_det in proc

    if (!topsDir) {
        return -ENOMEM;
    }
    //0777 means full permissions for the file
    topsFile = proc_create("det", 0777, topsDir, &write_fops); //create proc file det with write_fops file operations
    printk("det initiated; /proc/elf_det/det created\n");
    topsWrite = proc_create("pid", 0777, topsDir, &write_fops); ////create proc file pid with write_fops file operations
    printk("pid initiated; /proc/elf_det/pid created\n");

    if (!topsFile) {
        return -ENOMEM;
    }
}
```



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```
}

return 0;

}

//the remove operations done by module(cleaning up)
static void tops_exit(void) {
    proc_remove(topsFile);
    printk("tops exited; /proc/elf_det/det deleted\n");
    proc_remove(topsWrite);
    printk("tops exited; /proc/elf_det/pid deleted\n");
    proc_remove(topsDir);
}

//macros for init and exit
module_init(tops_init);
module_exit(tops_exit);
```

Ok now lets use the kernel module to see it in action:

The screenshot shows a terminal window on the left and the System Monitor window on the right. The terminal window displays the following commands and output:

```
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/proc/elf_det$ sudo rmmod elf_det.ko
[sudo] password for nubuntu:
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ cd elf_det
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ sudo make -C /lib/modules/$(uname -r)/build
M=$(pwd) modules
[sudo] password for nubuntu:
make: Entering directory '/home/nubuntu/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0'
CC [M] /home/nubuntu/elf_det/elf_det.o
Building modules, stage 2.
MODPOST 1 modules
CC /home/nubuntu/elf_det/elf_det.mod.o
LD [M] /home/nubuntu/elf_det/elf_det.ko
make: Leaving directory '/home/nubuntu/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0'
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ sudo insmod elf_det.ko
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ cd /proc/elf_det
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/proc/elf_det$ sudo echo "2817" > pid
```

The System Monitor window shows a list of processes. The process 'firefox' is highlighted, showing its PID as 2817.

Process Name	User	% CPU	ID	Memory	Priority
compiz	nubuntu	14	1970	109.7 MiB	Normal
gnome-system-monitor	nubuntu	9	2804	15.0 MiB	Normal
firefox	nubuntu	0	2817	138.6 MiB	Normal
nautilus	nubuntu	0	1896	9.2 MiB	Normal
gconfd-2	nubuntu	0	2859	448.0 KiB	Normal
gedit	nubuntu	0	2419	8.4 MiB	Normal
bash	nubuntu	0	2277	1.7 MiB	Normal
gnome-terminal-server	nubuntu	0	2270	7.0 MiB	Normal
gvfsd-metadata	nubuntu	0	2255	524.0 KiB	Normal
deja-dup-monitor	nubuntu	0	2204	936.0 KiB	Normal
update-notifier	nubuntu	0	2151	3.7 MiB	Normal
zeitgeist-fts	nubuntu	0	2097	2.5 MiB	Normal
zeitgeist-daemon	nubuntu	0	2090	3.3 MiB	Normal
sh	nubuntu	0	2086	80.0 KiB	Normal
zeitgeist-datahub	nubuntu	0	2079	4.3 MiB	Normal
evolution-addressbook-factor	nubuntu	0	2036	2.6 MiB	Normal
evolution-calendar-factory-sul	nubuntu	0	2024	37.8 MiB	Normal
evolution-addressbook-factor	nubuntu	0	2021	2.7 MiB	Normal
evolution-calendar-factory-sul	nubuntu	0	2011	35.8 MiB	Normal
gvfsd-trash	nubuntu	0	1992	1.0 MiB	Normal
gvfs-gphoto2-volume-monitor	nubuntu	0	1959	524.0 KiB	Normal
gvfs-goa-volume-monitor	nubuntu	0	1954	2.4 MiB	Normal
gvfs-mtp-volume-monitor	nubuntu	0	1949	408.0 KiB	Normal
evolution-calendar-factory	nubuntu	0	1943	37.2 MiB	Normal
gvfs-afc-volume-monitor	nubuntu	0	1940	3.0 MiB	Normal
gvfs-udisks2-volume-monitor	nubuntu	0	1925	1.3 MiB	Normal
gnome-software	nubuntu	0	1918	56.6 MiB	Normal
polkit-gnome-authentication	nubuntu	0	1911	3.2 MiB	Normal
nm-applet	nubuntu	0	1910	7.1 MiB	Normal

as you see 2817 is the pid of firefox, so we will first write 2817 to the pid proc file.



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Now lets read the det file to see the information:

```
nubuntu@ubuntu: /proc/elf_det
nubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo rmmod elf_det.ko
[sudo] password for nubuntu:
nubuntu@ubuntu:~$ cd elf_det
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ sudo make -C /lib/modules/$(uname -r)/build M=$(pwd) modules
[sudo] password for nubuntu:
make: Entering directory '/home/nubuntu/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0'
  CC [M] /home/nubuntu/elf_det/elf_det.o
  Building modules, stage 2.
  MODPOST 1 modules
  CC /home/nubuntu/elf_det/elf_det.mod.o
  LD [M] /home/nubuntu/elf_det/elf_det.ko
make: Leaving directory '/home/nubuntu/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0'
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ sudo insmod elf_det.ko
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ cd /proc/elf_det
nubuntu@ubuntu:/proc/elf_det$ sudo echo "2817" > pid
echo: write error: Bad address
nubuntu@ubuntu:/proc/elf_det$ cd det
bash: cd: det: Not a directory
nubuntu@ubuntu:/proc/elf_det$ cat det
PID    NAME    CPU    START_CODE    END_CODE    START_DATA    END_DATA    BSS_START
2817   firefox 2.8    94764380184576 94764380305108 9476438240308894764382404744 55544622637056
nubuntu@ubuntu:/proc/elf_det$
```

	Memory	Priority
970	109.7 MiB	Normal
304	15.0 MiB	Normal
317	138.1 MiB	Normal
396	9.2 MiB	Normal
359	448.0 KiB	Normal
119	8.4 MiB	Normal
277	1.7 MiB	Normal
270	7.1 MiB	Normal
255	524.0 KiB	Normal
204	936.0 KiB	Normal
151	3.7 MiB	Normal
097	2.5 MiB	Normal
090	3.3 MiB	Normal
086	80.0 KiB	Normal
079	4.3 MiB	Normal
036	2.6 MiB	Normal
024	37.8 MiB	Normal
021	2.7 MiB	Normal
011	35.8 MiB	Normal
092	1.0 MiB	Normal
059	524.0 KiB	Normal
054	2.4 MiB	Normal
049	408.0 KiB	Normal
043	37.2 MiB	Normal
040	3.0 MiB	Normal
025	1.3 MiB	Normal
018	56.6 MiB	Normal
011	3.2 MiB	Normal
010	7.1 MiB	Normal

everything is perfect!

(edit : %lx in the code prints in hex format, the screenshot shows in decimal format (%lu),  
also screenshot supports BSS\_START )



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## Implement user program

Just do the writing and reading from file automatically!

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <string.h>

int main()
{
    FILE *fp;
    char pid_user[20];
    char buff[2048];

    printf("*****\n");
    printf("*****Navid user program for gathering memory info on desired\n");
    printf("process*****\n");

    printf("*****\n");

    printf("*****\n");

    while(1==1){
        printf("*****enter the process id:");
        scanf("%s",pid_user);

        fp = fopen("/proc/elf_det/pid", "w");
        fprintf(fp, "%s", pid_user);
        fclose(fp);

        printf("the process info is here:\n");
        fp = fopen("/proc/elf_det/det", "r");
        fgets(buff, 2048, (FILE*)fp);
        printf("%s\n", buff);
        fgets(buff, 2048, (FILE*)fp);
        printf("%s\n", buff);
        fclose(fp);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Running the user program:



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```
nubuntu@ubuntu: ~/elf_det
nubuntu@ubuntu:~/elf_det$ ./test
*****Navid user program for gathering memory info on desired process*****
*****
*****enter the process id:2126
the process info is here:
PID      NAME      CPU      START_CODE      END_CODE      START_DATA      END_DATA      BSS_START      BSS_END
02126    sh         0.0      0x055dbf8bc5000 0x055dbf8be821c 0x055dbf8de8f68 0x055dbf8dea220 0x055dbf8dea000 0x055dbf8deb000
*****enter the process id:5739
the process info is here:
PID      NAME      CPU      START_CODE      END_CODE      START_DATA      END_DATA      BSS_START      BSS_END
05739    firefox   0.7      0x05559ba36b000 0x05559ba3886d4 0x05559ba588a10 0x05559ba589088 0x024961b1b2000 0x024961b1c2000
*****enter the process id:1554
the process info is here:
PID      NAME      CPU      START_CODE      END_CODE      START_DATA      END_DATA      BSS_START      BSS_END
01554    upstart   0.0      0x056481e97d000 0x056481e9c3fac 0x056481ebc42e8 0x056481ebc6710 0x056481ebc6000 0x056481ebc7000
*****enter the process id:2236
the process info is here:
PID      NAME      CPU      START_CODE      END_CODE      START_DATA      END_DATA      BSS_START      BSS_END
02236    gedit     0.6      0x0000000400000 0x00000004010ac 0x0000000601dc0 0x00000006020b0 0x0000000602000 0x0000000603000
*****enter the process id:

```

very well!!

## End of part 3

If you have any questions you can contact me through email.

Best wishes

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