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<u>Seeking for an opportunity in core Linux Kernel areas in an R&D company, which can provide me a platform to apply my innovative ideas to develop futuristic embedded Linux product</u>

Overall Summary:	More than 10 years of experience in Embedded Linux product development	
Roles Played:	Individual contributor, Technical Leader, Troubleshooter, Mentor, Researcher	
Major Work Background: Base Linux Kernel development, Tizen/Android smart phones/devices board bring up,		
	feature enhancement/porting, investigation, prototyping, tools, open source contributions,	
	memory management subsystem, robotics design, Linux Real time system design, etc.	
Onsite visit and Visa:	South Korea, Taiwan, Japan, US (B1/B2 multiple entry visa: valid till 2023)	

Experience (Overall: ~15 Years)			
System Software Architect (Linux Kernel Team), Sony India, Bangalore	Nov/2017 – Till Date		
Principal Engineer, Samsung R&D India – Bangalore	(8+ years) Sept/2008 – July/2017		
Senior Engineer, Sasken Technologies Ltd – Bangalore	(4+ years) Feb/2004 – Sept/2008		
Qualification (B.E. + M.Tech)			
M.Tech (Embedded System), Manipal University – Bangalore	(July/2012 – Feb/2015), CGPA: 9.09		
[Equivalent to Canada's Master Degree – WES Report Available]			
B.E (Computer Sc. & Engg) – KIIT, Bhubaneswar, India	(1997 – 2001) SCORE: 73.6 %		

Skills Highlights

C, C++, Linux kernel, device driver, u-boot, smart phone bring-up, Tizen, Android, Ubuntu

Experience in Linux Board bring-up across various chipsets (SPRD, MEDIATEK, MSM, EXYNOS, OMAP)

Proven ability in **Linux Kernel development**, enhancement, issues investigation, feature porting and upgrades.

Majorly worked in Linux Kernel Memory Management subsystem: (prototype design and feature integration)

ION/DMABUF buffer sharing, Tizen DRM-GEM design, CMA, ZRAM, LMK, low-memory system design, etc.

Experience in Kernel code size reduction, boot time reduction, memory optimization, performance tuning, sluggish improvement, **Linux Robotics** and **Linux real-time** (preempt-rt, Xenomai) model design and demos.

Linux kernel mainline contributions, back-porting patches, reviews, bug reporting, proposals, discussions, participation and speaker in various **Embedded Linux Conference** (ELC) world-wide.

New Technology Evaluation: XENOMAI, RISC-V, PSI, OPEN-AMP, etc.

Good **kernel debugging skills** with ability to investigate and find the exact root cause of the issue.

Others: Agile/Scrum, git/gerrit, yocto, kselftests, perf, systemd, qemu, gdb, trace-32, ramdump, memps, rt-tools Major Interests: Linux board bring-up, Kernel memory management, Kernel upstream contribution, Linux based IOT/Robotics/Drones/Automotive bring up, research topics or value additional with in kernel, etc.

Achievements & Awards

Linux Kernel Mainline Contributions: [purely my own ideas]

https://lore.kernel.org/lkml/?q=pintu

https://git.kernel.org/cgit/linux/kernel/git/next/linux-next.git/log/?qt=grep&q=pintu;

Some of the contributions includes:

* ION buffer sharing utility; split cma-reserved in dmesg; introduce CMA total/free in meminfo; introduce oom_kill counter in vmstat; proposal for shrink_memory node in /proc/sys/vm/; others

Git Hub Contributions: https://github.com/pintuk

Received **Performance Excellence Award** in SONY-2019 for the outstanding contributions done last year.

Technical showcase and **demo presentation in SONY Open House** – 2019

Complete architecture, design and coding of Tizen based **robotic model bring up** (both hardware and software):

Check Video demo here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n885XMAh7kI&feature=youtu.be

Code contributed to **Tizen open source**: https://git.tizen.org/cgit/contrib/robotics/

Technical paper presentation in **Embedded Linux Conference** World-wide:

Tokyo [July/2019]: Xenomai based real-time automotive model – Link: XENOMAI-RT-MODEL.pdf

San Diego [April/2016]: Tizen-based-Remote-Control-Robot – PDF - ELC2016-TIZEN-RC-CAR.pdf

San Jose [March/2015]: System-wide-Memory-Defragmenter.pdf [Samsung Best Paper Award, 2015]

Japan [June/2012]: Linux Memory Fragmentation: Observation and Analysis on Smart Phones [PDF here]

Submitted many potential patents, ideas, proposal, and demos during my tenure in Samsung.

Samsung **Employee of the month** award – Nov/2014 (for first time Tizen bring-up on Mediatek)

Presented Technical papers and demos in **Samsung Technical Challenge** (NIPUN) – 2010/2011/2012

Presented a Technical Paper in **Sasken Technology Conference** – 2007

Received **Spot Awards** during Sasken tenure – 2004/2006/2007

Major Projects Highlights

SONY Contributions

Nov/2017 – Till Date (SONY)

- Several contribution in Base Linux Kernel Development for Sony's future products.
- Resolved many issues in Sony Kernel feature such as: page fault issue, cpu lock up issue, semaphore locking issue, smap issues, sync issue, rebooting issue, irqsoff latency issues, kernel oops, backtraces, etc.
- Investigation about DRM/HDMI display bring-up after snapshot boot resume on i.MX6 board (in progress).
- Porting and improvement of **unique-page**, **zswap feature** from Kernel 3.0 to 4.9 to reduce snapshot-image size.
- Complete design and implementation of GPIO IRQ affinity feature (including snapshot boot suspend/resume support) for i.MX7 board with Linux Kernel 4.1. Using this, now GPIO devices can use the dedicated CPU.
- Detailed investigation of Kernel vDSO support for ARM-32 boards (i.mx7, pi2).

Value Addition:

- **Mentorship:** for M.Tech college intern to explore new technologies in Kernel areas.
- OpenAMP: Investigation about OpenAMP and rpmsg/remoteproc interface in Kernel (in progress).
- **PSI:** Investigation and experimentation about PSI feature in mainline Linux Kernel 4.20 \rightarrow 4.9 (in progress).
- **REAL-TIME:** Xenomai 3.0 bring up, evaluation, prototype, demos with Kernel 4.9 on various x86/arm boards.
 - First time Xenomai Kernel 4.9 bring up on Qualcomm chipset sdm845, Resolved many boot up issues.
 - ♦ Complete architecture, design and implementation of **Xenomai based real time robotic model** using Raspberry Pi-3 and Linux Kernel 4.9. Demonstrated the working ideas in various forums.
- **RISC-V:** RISC-V Linux Kernel 4.18 bring up and evaluation on QEMU environment.

Used – C, Linux Kernel, i.MX{6/7}, Raspberry Pi, Beagle Bone, Hikey620, QualComm Snapdragon-845

TIZEN Smart Phone Development [SPRD chipset]

April/2014 – June/2017 (Samsung)

[Complete ownership for India/Asia model release]

Samsung Z4 & Z2 Model (SC9830, 1GB, 4GLTE), Z3 (SC7730, 1GB, 3G), Z1 (SC7727, 768MB, 2G):

- **Technical Leader** for Tizen Kernel/BSP team including **individual contributions below**:
- First time Tizen smart phone bring up on Spreadtrum (SPRD) chipset with Linux Kernel 3.10.
- Initial Zinitix touch screen driver bring up and customization for Tizen Z4 model.
- Improving SPRD-DRM-GEM (drivers/gpu/drm/sprd) and **ION buffer sharing** mechanism.
- Enhancing and tuning **memory management areas** [ION, CMA, ZRAM, OOM, LMK, vmpressure, etc.].
- Finding issues in vendor kernel, back porting patches from mainline to improve system stability.

- Proposed and implemented several new features in kernel: reduced daemon swapping, dynamic low memory killer, automatic system-wide memory shrinker and compaction, slow path monitoring, oom kill count monitoring, cma tracking, sgt-list allocation fallback, exact mem-available feature, gem buffer tracking, etc.
- Developed **sluggish-test utility** to quickly reproduce sluggish behavior and find root cause.
- Others: mainline patches porting, gerrit code review, vendors follow-up, ramdump analysis, log analysis, issues investigation, boot time analysis, sluggish analysis, memory leak analysis, memory failure analysis, etc.
- **Proposal to enhance Tizen ecosystem** for OEMs and thereby promoting chipset vendors to adapt Tizen.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux Kernel 3.10.xx, Tizen 2.3/2.4/3.0, Spreadtrum (SPRD) chipset

TIZEN - MTK Bring up (MT6571 chipset, RAM: 512MB)

Nov. 2014 – March 2015 (Samsung)

[1 month onsite in Taiwan MTK HQ]

- First time Tizen smart phone bring up on Mediatek chipset (MT6571) with 512 MB RAM, Kernel 3.4.
- Kernel customization, console shell bring up, Kernel patches porting, Tizen sdb shell bring up.
- First time, complete architecture and design of MTK-DRM-GEM (drivers/gpu/drm/mtk) for Tizen Graphics/Display bring up on Mediatek smart phones.
- Kernel memory optimization (~12 MB), kernel boot time reduction, issues analysis and investigation.
- Received "Employee of the Month Award" and appreciation from MTK folks. Finished bring up in 3 weeks.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux Kernel 3.4, Mediatek chipset, Tizen 2.3

ULC Feature Phone Bring up (SC6821 chipset, RAM: 128MB) Aug 2013 – Jan 2014 (Samsung)

- First time Tizen bring up on Spreadtrum (sprd) chipset with 128MB RAM, and NAND flash (UBIFS).
- First time, complete architecture and design of SPRD-DRM-GEM (drivers/gpu/drm/sprd) interface for Tizen display/graphics bring up on smart phones and make it light weight and portable.
- Kernel **code size reduction below 5MB**, reserved memory reduction below 40MB, boot time below 40s.
- ZRAM driver integration, **CMA/ION backporting** (3.8 to 3.0) to save ~8MB reserved, performance tuning, etc.
- Implemented SWAP field in Tizen memps utility to show used swap space by each process.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux Kernel 3.0, SPRD (sc6821)

TIZEN Smart Phone Bring up on QUALCOMM (QC) chipsets | Sept 2012 – July 2013 (Samsung)

3 months onsite leader for base camp @ San Diego & Hyderabad]

- Co-worked with QC team for first time Tizen menu-screen bring up on QC chipset 7x25, 8x10.
- Reserved memory analysis and optimization. CMA, COMPACTION, ION, ZRAM porting and stabilization.
- System stability issues analysis, OOM analysis, memory/fd leak analysis, **DRM-GEM/ION buffer sharing**.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux Kernel 3.4, MSM8974, MSM7x25, MSM8x10, MSM8x26

TIZEN – ION/DMABUF Investigation and Integration

Mar 2012 – Aug 2012 (Samsung)

- First time study and demonstration of ION and DMABUF buffer sharing mechanism in Kernel.
- Developed sample drivers to verify **zero-copy in Kernel/User space** using DMABUF and ION mechanism.
- Co-work with HQ counterpart and Tizen Graphics/Multimedia team in integrating the whole solution for Tizen smart phones.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux, Kernel 3.0, Exynos 4420, MSM 8974

SLP - Linux Memory Fragmentation (Analysis & Research)

April 2011 – Dec 2011 (Samsung)

- Detailed study, experimentation and research about Memory Fragmentation problem in Linux Kernel.
- Developed sample modules and utility to measure fragmentation level across each zones and orders.
- Conducted several experiments and implemented techniques in Kernel to improve page allocation success rate by about ~90%. Check ELC Paper [here]
- Suggestion to backport memory compaction from mainline Kernel 2.6.36 to track memory fragmentation.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux, Kernel 2.6.32/36

Samsung Boot loader Development (Loke3/s-boot)

Aug 2010 – Mar 2011 (Samsung)

- Complete development and **bring-up of Samsung Loke3 boot loader** (aka s-boot) for OMAP4 board.
- S-boot customization, UART bring-up, i2c interface, USB and charging support, LCD bring up, partition management, ODIN protocol porting, binary flashing and downloading mechanism, kernel booting etc.

Platforms/Software Used - C, Linux, u-boot, X-loader, OMAP4430, omapflash, Odin

CDR – SD Card Data Recovery Solution for Mobile Phones May 2010 – July 2010 (Samsung)

- Complete architecture, design, porting and implementation of Samsung patented **data recovery solution for Linux** based mobile phone.
- Implemented multi-threaded sector scanning capability to speed up formatted card recovery by 1/4th times.
- **Implemented new features** such as: date/filename based recovery, listing deleted files, automatic detection of mount point, recovery progress status, automatic detection of memory leaks etc.

Platforms/Software Used - C, C++, Linux, FAT32 file system

SASKEN - PROJECTS

Feb 2004 – Sept 2008 (Sasken)

TUX4.0 - Linux Based VoIP Phone Development (Nortel Networks)

VCOM driver porting, reduced licensing cost by **porting open source gcomm library to core upload module**, implemented ideas for **automatic core upload to MSC card during boot up**, resolved many critical issues such as initial clipping of voice.

SHARP – GPS Driver Porting (Texas Instruments)

Complete porting and integration of TI GPS Linux driver for sharp mobile including SUPL interface.

Platforms/Software Used - C, C++, Linux Kernel 2.4, 2.6, Shell scripting, PPC, OMAP3430