Computer Labs: The PS/2 Mouse

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Lab4: The PS/2's Mouse

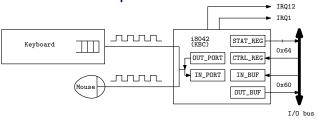
Write functions:

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int mouse_test_packet(uint32_t cnt);
int mouse_test_async(uint8_t idle_time)
int mouse_test_gesture(?????);
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that require interfacing with the mouse, via the PC's keyboard controller

- These functions are not the kind of functions that you can reuse later in your project
 - ► The idea is that you design the lower level functions (with the final project in mind).
- What's new?
 - Use the KBC controller (i8042) to interface with the mouse
 - Process mouse interrupts
 - (Handling multiple asynchronous interrupts)
 - Use state machines

PS/2 Mouse Operation



► The mouse has its own controller chip, like the keyboard. It:

Detects events on the mouse

Pressing/releasing of the mouse buttons Displacement of the mouse on the plane.

- ▶ It uses two 9-bit 2's complement counters, one per direction
- That are reset every time the controller reports their value
- Some touchpads can be configured to report their absolute position

Reports these events to the KBC, by sending a 3-byte packet via a serial line

➤ This protocol is the one also used in the communication between the keyboard and the KBC

PS/2 Mouse Data Packet

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Byte 1	Y Ovfl	X Ovfl	MSB Y Delta	MSB X Delta	1	M.B.	R.B.	L.B.
Byte 2	X delta							
Byte 3	Y delta							

- X MSB/Y MSB Relative displacement MSBit X/Y axis
- X delta/Y delta Relative displacement 8 LS bits in the X/Y axis since the previous packet
 - X MSB and X delta form a 9-bit 2's complement integer
- ${\tt X}$ ${\tt Ovfl/Y}$ ${\tt Ovfl}$ Flag that the mouse displacement is too large to be represented as a 9-bit 2-complement integer
- M.B, R.B, L.B State of the middle, right and left buttons: 1 if pressed.
 - ▶ A scaling parameter in the mouse controller affects the value of the counters reported by the mouse. There are 2 values:
 - 1:1 In this case, the values reported are the counters values
 - 2:1 In this case, the values reported are a function of the counters values as determined by a table

PS/2 Mouse Operating Modes

Stream Mode The mouse sends the data packet at a (programmable) maximum fixed rate to the KBC, as determined by "mouse events", i.e. mouse movements and changes in buttons state

Remote Mode The mouse sends data packets only upon request of the KBC

- ▶ In either case, each of the bytes of the mouse data packet are put in the KBC's output buffer, and
- ► The KBC raises IRQ12 (i.e. IRQ4 of PIC 2)
 - Once for each byte
 - This can be enabled/disabled by writing in the command byte
- The mouse IH should read one byte per interrupt
 - In remote mode it is easier not to use interrupts

Lab4: mouse_test_packet (1/2)

What Print the packets received from the mouse in **stream mode**Details Should:

- ► Terminate after processing the given number of packets
- Display the packets contents in a human friendly way, by LCF function (we provide it): mouse_print_packet()

How Need to subscribe the mouse interrupts

▶ Upon an interrupt, read the byte from the OUT_BUF

Note There is no need to configure the mouse

► It is already initialized by Minix

But Need to enable stream mode (see PS/2 Mouse commands)

- Minix disables stream mode in text mode
- ► Initially, can use mouse_enable_data_reporting() of the LCF (i.e., provided by us)

Issue Minix already has an IH installed

▶ Disable it by subscribing the mouse interrupt with IRQ EXCLUSIVE policy

Lab4: mouse_test_packet (2/2)

KBC interrupt subscription in exclusive mode;

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driver_receive() loop (similar to that of labs 2 and 3)
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Interrupt handler reads the bytes from the KBC's OUT_BUF

- Should read only one byte per interrupt
 - Communication between the mouse and the KBC is too slow
- Must not call mouse_print_packet()

Packet Assembly Can use:

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packet[] to store the packet bytes
counter to keep track of byte number
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Synchronization Issues All 3 bytes must belong to the same packet Challenge The bytes in a packet have no id Hint Bit 3 of first byte of a packet is always set

But this bit may also be set in other bytes of a packet

PS/2 Mouse-Related KBC Commands

Command	Meaning	Args (A)/ Return (R)
0x20	Read Command Byte	Command byte (R)
0x60	Write Command Byte	Command byte (A)
0xA7	Disable Mouse	
0xA8	Enable Mouse	
0xA9	Check Mouse Interface	Returns 0, if OK
0xD4	Write Byte to Mouse	Byte (A)

- 0xD4 commands the KBC to forward its argument to the mouse without any interpretation
- ► These commands are for the KBC and must be written to port 0x64
 - Arguments and return values are passed via port 0x60
 - ▶ Do not forget to check the IBF bit in the STATUS_REG, before writing to either port

(KBC "Command Byte")

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
	_	DIS2	DIS	_	_	INT2	INT

DIS2 1: disable mouse

DIS 1: disable keyboard

INT2 1: enable interrupt on OBF, from mouse;

INT 1: enable interrupt on OBF, from keyboard

Either not used or not relevant

Read Use KBC command 0x20, which must be written to port 0x64 Write Use KBC command 0x60, which must be written to port 0x64

Status Register

Input from/output to KBC requires reading the status register

Bit	Name	Meaning (if set)
7	Parity	Parity error - invalid data
6	Timeout	Timeout error - invalid data
5	Aux	Mouse data
4	INH	Inhibit flag: 0 if keyboard is inhibited
3	A2	A2 input line: 0 data byte
		1 command byte
2	SYS	System flag: 0 if system in power-on reset,
		1 if system already initialized
1	IBF	Input buffer full
		don't write commands or arguments
0	OBF	Output buffer full - data available for reading

- ▶ Bits 5, Aux, indicates whether the data in the OUT_BUF is coming from the Mouse (auxiliary device) or the keyboard
- ▶ Do not write to the IN_BUF (0x60) or the CTRL_REG (0x64), if bit 1, i.e. the IBF, is set.

PS/2 Mouse Commands (1/4)

Commands passed as arguments of command 0xD4

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Command	Function	Description/Comments			
0xFF	Reset	Mouse reset			
0xFE	Resend	For serial communications errors			
0xF6	Set Defaults	Set default values			
0xF5	Disable (Data Reporting)	In stream mode, should be sent			
		before any other command			
0xF4	Enable (Data Reporting)	In stream mode only			
0xF3	Set Sample Rate	Sets state sampling rate			
0xF0	Set Remote Mode	Send data on request only			
0xEB	Read Data	Send data packet request			
0xEA	Set Stream Mode	Send data on events			
0xE9	Status Request	Get mouse configuration (3 bytes)			
0xE8	Set Resolution				
0xE7	Set Scaling 2:1	Acceleration mode			
0xE6	Set Scaling 1:1	Linear mode			

Note 1 Arguments of these commands, if any, must also be passed as arguments of command $0 \times D4$

PS/2 Mouse Commands (2/4)

- Each of these commands is sent to the mouse, it is not interpreted by the KBC
 - The command is passed as argument of command 0xD4
 - Arguments, if any, of a command must also be passed as arguments of command 0xD4 of the KBC
 - ► Command 0xD4 is: "Write **Byte** to Mouse"
- In response to all bytes it receives either commands (except for the resend command, 0xFE) or their arguments

the mouse controller sends an acknowledgment byte:

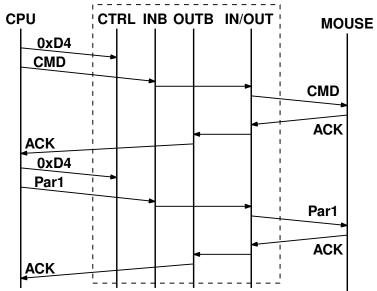
ACK (0xFA) if everything OK

NACK (0xFE) if invalid byte (may be because of a serial communication error)

ERROR (0xFC) second consecutive invalid byte

► The acknowledgment byte for each byte written as argument of command 0xD4 is put in the KBC's OUT_BUF and should be read via port 0x60

PS/2 Mouse Commands (3/4)



Not representing polling of STATUS_REG for IBF/OBF

PS/2 Mouse Commands (4/4)

Note that:

"When the host gets an 0xFE response, it should retry the offending command. If an argument byte elicits an 0xFE response, the host should retransmit the entire command, not just the argument byte."

Synaptics TouhcPad Interfacing Guide, pg. 31

IMPORTANT The acknowledgment byte is **not** the response to the command.

► For commands that elicit one response, the mouse controller will send it after the acknowledgment to the last byte of the command (including the args, if any).

Lab 4: mouse_test_async()

- ► Similar to kbd_test_timed_scan(), of Lab 3
- Must subscribe also the Timer 0 interrupts

Mouse: Some Success Hints

- ► In the IH, read only one byte from the KBC
 - ▶ No need to ckeck the OBF or the AUX bits
 - The KBC uses different IRQ lines for the keyboard and the mouse
- ► Assemble packets using:
 - A 3-byte array for the mouse packet
 - The index of the current position of the array
- Make sure that when you display the 3-bytes, they all belong to the same packet.
- ▶ Do not forget:

If the device is in Stream mode (the default) and has been enabled with an Enable $(0 \times F4)$ command, then the host should disable the device with a Disable $(0 \times F5)$ command before sending any other command.

Synaptics TouchPad Interfacing Guide, pg. 33

- ► Finally:
 - ► If a byte is left in the OUT_BUF, the KBC will not generate further interrupts

Further Reading

- Synaptics Synaptics TouchPad Interfacing Guide, 2nd Ed. (Read only Subsections 3.2.3 thru 3.7.1, except Section 3.5 and Subsection 3.6.2.)
- Andries Brouwer's The PS/2 Mouse, Ch. 13 of Keyboard scancodes
- ► Adam Chapweske's The PS/2 Mouse Interface