

Linux Kernel and Device Driver Development Training

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About Course

The Linux Kernel and Device Driver Development training offered by Multisoft Systems is an immersive program designed to equip professionals and enthusiasts with in-depth knowledge and practical skills in Linux internals, kernel architecture, and device driver programming.

Module 1: Process Management (kernel side)

- ✓ The Process
- ✓ Process Descriptor and the Task Structure
- ✓ Allocating the Process Descriptor
- ✓ Storing the Process Descriptor
- ✓ Process State
- ✓ Manipulating the Current Process State
- ✓ Process Context
- ✓ Copy-on-Write
- ✓ Forking
- ✓ vfork()
- ✓ Kernel Threads

Module 2: Process Scheduling

- ✓ Multitasking
- ✓ Linux's Process Scheduler Policy
 - I/O-Bound Versus Processor-Bound Processes
 - Process Priority
 - Time slice
 - The Scheduling Policy in Action
- ✓ The Linux Scheduling Algorithm
 - Scheduler Classes
 - Process Scheduling in Unix Systems
 - Fair Scheduling
- ✓ The Scheduler Entry Point

- ✓ Wait Queues
- ✓ Waking Up
- ✓ Preemption and Context Switching

Module 3: System Calls

- ✓ System Calls
- ✓ Examples of system calls
- ✓ Examples of Standard APIs
- ✓ System call Implementation
- ✓ API-system Call-OS relationship
- ✓ Types of system calls
- ✓ Processor Affinity System Calls
- ✓ Yielding Processor Time
- ✓ Communicating with the Kernel
- ✓ APIs, POSIX, and the C Library
- ✓ Accessing the System Call from User-Space

Module 4: Memory Management

- ✓ Pages
- ✓ Zones
- ✓ Getting Pages
- ✓ Getting Zeroed Pages
- ✓ Freeing Pages
- ✓ kmalloc()
- ✓ gfp_mask Flags
- ✓ Action Modifiers
- ✓ Zone Modifiers
- ✓ Type Flags
- ✓ kfree()
- ✓ vmalloc()

- ✓ Slab Layer
- ✓ Design of the Slab Layer
- ✓ Slab Allocator Interface
- ✓ Allocating from the Cache
- ✓ The Process Address Space

Module 5: The Virtual File system

- ✓ Common File system Interface
- ✓ File system Abstraction Layer
- ✓ Unix File systems
- ✓ VFS Objects and Their Data Structures
- ✓ The Superblock Object
- ✓ Superblock Operations
- ✓ The Inode Object
- ✓ Inode Operations
- ✓ The Dentry Object
- ✓ The File Object
- ✓ File Operations
- ✓ Data Structures Associated with File systems
- ✓ Data Structures Associated with a Process

Module 6: Interrupts and Interrupt Handlers

- ✓ Top Halves verses Bottom Halves
- ✓ Registering an interrupt handler
- ✓ Interrupt context
- ✓ Taslets
- ✓ Softirq

Module 7: An Introduction to Kernel Synchronization

- ✓ Kernel Synchronization Methods

- ✓ Spin locks
- ✓ Reader-writer locks
- ✓ Semaphores

Module 8: Timers and Time Management

- ✓ Jiffies
- ✓ Hardware clocks and timers

Module 9: LINUX DEVICE DRIVER

- ✓ Introduction
- ✓ Role of Device Driver
- ✓ types of Device driver
- ✓ loadable modules and its benefits
- ✓ Functions used to load and unload modules
- ✓ Passing parameters to a loadable module

Module 10: Writing a device Driver Program

- ✓ Important header files
- ✓ Writing a simple module
- ✓ Compiling and loading modules
- ✓ Device information in /proc
- ✓ Character driver
- ✓ character driver basics
- ✓ major and minor numbers
- ✓ creating device files with mknod
- ✓ registering a character device driver
- ✓ Hand- on Practice
- ✓ Character Device Driver writing
- ✓ Userspace interaction
- ✓ Proc/sys model

- ✓ Lcd implementation
- ✓ Understanding the serial device driver

Module 11: RTOS

- ✓ Introduction to RTOS
- ✓ What is Real Time System?
- ✓ Requirements of Real time System
- ✓ Hard Real-time Systems and Soft Real-time Systems

Module 12: Task

- ✓ What is a task creation?
- ✓ Untask approach Vs multitask approach
- ✓ Task states

Module 13: Scheduling

- ✓ Multitasking Kernel
- ✓ Context switch
- ✓ Priority based scheduling
- ✓ Round Robin scheduling

Module 14: Task functions

- ✓ Task states
- ✓ Task hooks
- ✓ Task synchronization