Devicetree BOF

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Do NOT show all of the slides

Agenda

- Collect questions, areas of interest
- Past events
- Future events
- New since elc 2017
- dtc compiler update
- Overlay update
- questions, comments, issues, concerns from the crowd

What do you want to talk about?

questions

comments

issues

concerns

Plumbers 2017 Summary

September 2017 Los Angeles

> Was not scheduled -- not enough interest / commitment

Devicetree Workshop Oct 2017 Prague, Czech Republic after elce



Devicetree Workshop Oct 2017 Prague, Czech Republic

https://elinux.org/Device_tree_future
#Kernel_Summit_2017.2C_Devicetree_Workshop

- slides
- notes

Main topic areas:

- === Validation Tools & Schema
- === Runtime usage
- === DTS maintenance issues
- === More stuff

Devicetree Workshop 2017

9:30 Welcome and Schedule bashing 9:40 Encoding and Schema checking: Framing the problem 9:45 DT YAML encoding overview 10:00 YAML encoding discussion 10:20 DT Schema format - option 1 10:35 DT Schema format - option 2 10:50 DT Schema discussion - what should go in the spec? 11:50 Code Generation from DT 12:10 Runtime memory consumption 14:30 Overlay maintenance plan 14:45 Avoiding duplicate descriptions 15:00 Criteria for accepting board files 15:15 Location for maintaining bindings - how to handle foreign bindings 15:30 Sharing Generic bindings 15:45 ABI Stability 16:00 [break and overflow discussion] 16:30 DT health check 16:50 devicetree org update 17:05 EBBR Discussion 17:20 Closing and feedback

Plumbers 2018

November 13 - 15, 2018 Tuesday - Thursday Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

co-located with the Linux Kernel Summit

Plumbers session: Wednesday 14 November, morning

Devicetree Specification

(old news...)

Devicetree Specification 0.1 supersedes ePAPR for the Linux kernel, continues to evolve https://www.devicetree.org/specifications/ Mail list, Build Instructions, etc

https://www.devicetree.org/collaborate/

Repository

https://github.com/devicetree-org/devicetree-specification

dtc Compiler

dtc Compiler

commits from February 10, 2017 to date in dtc repo

- YAML encoded output format * for validation tools
- new library: pylibfdt
- ability to make nodes conditional on them being referenced
 * size reduction
- overlay syntactic sugar
 * eliminate hard coding overlay metadata
- fdtoverlay
 - * standalone tool to apply overlay(s)

dtc - Devicetree Build Checks

Rob has been enhancing dtc error checks

Enabled for "W=1" builds

\$ make V=0 W=1 qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dtb

make[1]: Entering directory `/local/frowand_nobackup/src/git_linus/build/dragon_linus_4.10' DTC arch/arm/boot/dts/qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dtb Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /memory has a reg or ranges property, but no unit name Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/die_temp Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/ref_625m Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/ref_1250v Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/ref_1250v Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/ref_gnd h Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/ref_gnd h Warning (unit_address_vs_reg): Node /soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/vadc@3100/ref_vdd ha make[1]: Leaving directory `/local/frowand_nobackup/src/git_linus/build/dragon_linus_4.10'

dtc - Devicetree Build Checks

commits from February 10, 2017 to date in dtc repo

add SPI bus checks add I2C bus checks drop warning for missing PCI bridge bus-range add graph binding checks add a check for duplicate unit-addresses of child nodes add chosen node checks add aliases node checks check for #{size,address}-cells without child nodes add string list check for *-names properties add string list check add a string check for 'label' property add interrupts property check add gpio binding properties check add phandle with arg property checks Warn on node name unit-addresses with '0x' or leading 0s Add bus checks for simple-bus buses Add bus checks for PCI buses Add Warning for stricter node name character checking Add Warning for stricter property name character checking

Overlay

Overlay

- U-Boot overlay support
 - enhancements have been added

Alternative to Linux kernel overlay loader for some use cases

overlay validation - Linux kernel

Patches under review on mail list, not yet accepted to main line - may change

[PATCH v4 00/18] of: overlay: validation checks, subsequent fixes Mon, 15 Oct 2018 19:37:20 -0700

https://lore.kernel.org/lkml/ 1539657458-24401-1-git-send-email-frowand.list@gmail.com/T/#u

Overlay loader remains out of tree, so validation will only be visible for unittest, FPGAs, or if you use the out of tree overlay loader

Exposed errors in core devicetree code Fixes are in the patch series

validation - ERROR, WARNING

WARNING: memory leak will occur if overlay removed, property: <prop_path> cause: property add or modify in node not created by an overlay

ERROR: memory leak before free overlay changeset, <node_path> cause: too many of_node_put()

ERROR: memory leak, expected refcount 1 instead of <refcount>, of_node_get()/of_node_put() unbalanced - destroy cset entry: attach overlay node <node_path>

cause: too many of_node_get() or not enough of_node_put()

validation - ERROR

Malformed FDT will not cleanly apply

ERROR: changing value of #address-cells is not allowed in <node_path> ERROR: changing value of #size-cells is not allowed in <node_path> ERROR: multiple fragments add and/or delete node <node_path> ERROR: multiple fragments add, update, and/or delete property <prop_path>

ERROR: multiple fragments add and/or delete node <node_path>

drivers/of/unittest-data/overlay_bad_add_dup_node.dts:

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0
/dts-v1/:
/plugin/;
/*
  &electric 1/motor-1 and &spin ctrl 1 are the same node:
     /testcase-data-2/substation@100/motor-1
 *
 * Thus the new node "controller" in each fragment will
 * result in an attempt to add the same node twice.
 * This will result in an error and the overlay apply
 * will fail.
 */
&electric_1 {
        motor-1 {
                 controller {
                         power bus = < 0x1 0x2 >;
                 };
        };
};
&spin_ctrl_1 {
                 controller {
                         power bus emergency = < 0 \times 101 0 \times 102 >;
                 };
};
```

ERROR: multiple fragments add, update, and/or delete property <prop_path>

drivers/of/unittest-data/overlay_bad_add_dup_prop.dts:

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0
/dts-v1/:
/plugin/;
/*
 * &electric 1/motor-1 and &spin ctrl 1 are the same node:
     /testcase-data-2/substation@100/motor-1
 *
 * Thus the property "rpm_avail" in each fragment will
 * result in an attempt to update the same property twice.
 * This will result in an error and the overlay apply
 * will fail.
 */
&electric_1 {
        motor-1 {
                rpm_avail = < 100 >;
        };
};
&spin_ctrl_1 {
                rpm_avail = < 100 200 >;
};
```

Linux Internal ERROR

ERROR: of_node_release(), unexpected properties in <node_path>

Metadata

How should the metadata required by overlays be encoded in the FDT?

Discussion was in progress on devicetree-compiler list

Subject: [RFC] devicetree: new FDT format version Message-ID: <b96829f9-2e8b-fdc5-5090-58591e2260cf@gmail.com> Date: Mon, 22 Jan 2018 00:09:18 -0800

side-effect: update of FDT format required

Metadata

Motivation:

- size reduction of FDT and kernel data
- remove metadata from tree name space

side-effects:

- update of FDT format required
- additional features possible, eg
 * phandle as property value decompile
 * validation features

Metadata - base FDT overhead

Metadata overhead measured for arch/arm/boot/dts/*

"symbols old fmt" is added size from 'dtc -@' for the current FDT format

"symbols new fmt" is added size from 'dtc -@' for first proposed format in the email thread





Metadata - base FDT overhead

Metadata overhead measured for arch/arm/boot/dts/*

row	dtb no symbols	delta symbols	delta new fmt	bytes saved
99%	90531	42721	15766	26955
83%	44302	14582	5163	9419
66%	26277	11662	4628	7034
49%	21047	7328	2754	4574
33%	12864	4305	1705	2600
16%	12009	2929	1520	1409
0%	1220	<mark>68</mark>	149	-81

- "delta symbols" is added size from 'dtc -@'
- "new fmt" is added size from 'dtc -@' for first proposed in the email thread

dtc - overlays - Linux v4.15

dtc creates the .dtb **OVERLAY INTERNAL DATA** ("metadata")

Do not hand code overlay internal data nodes in DTS source:

fragment@ __overlay___ fixup___ _local_fixup___ __symbols___

dtc - overlays - example - old.dts

/dts-v1/;
/plugin/;

```
/ {
        fragment@0 {
                target-path = "/soc/base_fpga_region";
                #address-cells = <1>;
                #size-cells = <1>;
                overlay {
                        ranges = <0x00000000 0x0000000 0xc0000000 0x00040000>,
                                 <0x00000001 0x0000000 0xff200000 0x00001000>;
                        external-fpga-config;
                        #address-cells = <2>;
                        #size-cells = <1>;
                        fpga_pr_region0 {
                                compatible = "fpga-region";
                                fpga-bridges = <&freeze controller 0>;
                                ranges;
                        };
                        freeze controller 0: freeze controller@100000450 {
                                compatible = "altr,freeze-bridge-controller";
                                reg = <0x00000001 0x00000450 0x00000010>;
                                interrupt-parent = <&intc>;
                                interrupts = <0 21 4>;
                        };
               };
       };
};
```

dtc - overlays - example - new.dts

/dts-v1/;
/plugin/;

```
&fpga region {
        ranges = <0x00000000 0x0000000 0xc0000000 0x00040000>,
                 <0x00000001 0x00000000 0xff200000 0x00001000>;
        external-fpga-config;
        #address-cells = <2>;
        #size-cells = <1>;
        fpga pr region0 {
                compatible = "fpga-region";
                fpga-bridges = <&freeze controller 0>;
                ranges;
        };
        freeze_controller_0: freeze_controller@100000450 {
                compatible = "altr,freeze-bridge-controller";
                reg = <0x00000001 0x00000450 0x00000010>;
                interrupt-parent = <&intc>;
                interrupts = <0 21 4>;
        };
};
```

dtc - overlays - example

```
$ diff -b -u old.dts new.dts
--- old.dts
+++ new.dts
@@ -1,13 +1,7 @@
/dts-v1/;
/plugin/;
-/ {
        fragment@0 {
-
                 target-path = "/soc/base_fpga_region";
                 #address-cells = <1>;
                 #size-cells = <1>;
                 __overlay__ {
+&fpga_region {
                         ranges = <0x00000000 0x0000000 0xc0000000 0x00040000>,
                                  <0x00000001 0x0000000 0xff200000 0x00001000>;
@@ -28,6 +22,4 @@
                                 interrupt-parent = <&intc>;
                                 interrupts = <0 21 4>;
                         };
                };
        };
};
```

dtc - overlays - new.dts - no label? /dts-v1/; /plugin/; &fpga region {

What if there is no label for the overlay target in the base devicetree?

.

};

What if the overlay target is the root node (dtc does not allow a label on the root node)?

dtc - overlays - example - new.dts

/dts-v1/; /plugin/;

};

```
&{/soc/base fpga region} {
        ranges = <0x00000000 0x0000000 0xc0000000 0x00040000>,
                 <0x00000001 0x00000000 0xff200000 0x00001000>;
        external-fpga-config;
        #address-cells = <2>;
        #size-cells = <1>;
        fpga pr region0 {
                compatible = "fpga-region";
                fpga-bridges = <&freeze controller 0>;
                ranges;
        };
        freeze_controller_0: freeze_controller@100000450 {
                compatible = "altr,freeze-bridge-controller";
                reg = <0x00000001 0x00000450 0x00000010>;
                interrupt-parent = <&intc>;
                interrupts = <0 21 4>;
        };
```

next expected format change

Explicit connector node

.dtsi source vs overlay .dtsi

(More slides available after the 'END' slide)
Overlays

https://elinux.org/Frank%27s_Evolving_Overlay_Thoughts

What do you want to talk about?

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How to get a copy of the slides

1) frank.rowand@sony.com

2) http://elinux.org/Device_Tree

3) http://events.linuxfoundation.org

THE END

Thank you for your participation...

.dtsi source vs overlay .dtsi

With the new dtc --

Overlay .dts file contains directives: /dts-v1/; /plugin/;

.dtsi include file does not

Use include as .dtsi or overlay

With sugar syntax, the syntax used by an overlay is now compatible with the syntax used by an include file, if the include file uses labels as paths instead of using explicit paths.

- This may be convenient for development workflows
- Do not become dependent on this for overlays that will be long lived -- current thinking is that we want many / most overlays to use the connector model

Use include as .dtsi or overlay

----- base tree -----

\$ expand fpga_tree.dts
/dts-v1/;

/* labels used by overlay are in the base tree */

```
/ {
    soc {
        intc: interrupt_ctrl {
        };
        fpga_region: base_fpga_region {
        };
    };
};
```

/include/ "fpga_plugin_or_dtsi.dts"

----- overlay -----

\$ expand fpga_overlay.dts
/dts-v1/;
/plugin/;

/include/ "fpga_plugin_or_dtsi.dts"

The .dtsi

```
$ expand fpga plugin or dtsi.dts
&fpga_region {
        ranges = <0x0000000 0x0000000 0xc0000000 0x00040000>,
                 <0x00000001 0x0000000 0xff200000 0x00001000>;
        external-fpga-config;
        #address-cells = <2>;
        #size-cells = <1>;
        fpga_pr_region0 {
                compatible = "fpga-region";
                fpga-bridges = <&freeze controller 0>;
                ranges;
        };
        freeze_controller_0: freeze_controller@100000450 {
                compatible = "altr,freeze-bridge-controller";
                reg = <0x00000001 0x00000450 0x00000010>;
                interrupt-parent = <&intc>;
                interrupts = <0 21 4>;
        };
};
```

Tools

Kernel Configuration Info -- OLD

In tree

scripts/dtc/dt_to_config

arch/arm/boot/dts/qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dts \

- --short-name
- --config \${KBUILD_OUTPUT}/.config
- --config-format
- > dragon_config_info

\$ grep -i coincell dragon_config_info

-d-c----n--F : coincell@2800 : qcom,pm8941-coincell : drivers/misc/qcom-coincell.c : CONFIG_QCOM_COINCELL : n # CONFIG_QCOM_COINCELL is not set # CONFIG_QCOM_COINCELL=y

-d-c----n--F : coincell@2800 : qcom,pm8941-coincell : # CONFIG_QCOM_COINCELL is not set # CONFIG_QCOM_COINCELL=y

Debug Tools - OLD - update

dtc: dts source location annotation

- Provide source locations from .dts & .dtsi
- Several proof of concept versions on devicetree-compiler list, up to October 2015
- Stalled, awaiting some of Frank's bandwidth

Project picked up by Julia Lawall

To: devicetree-compiler@vger.kernel.org Subject: [PATCH 1/3 v4] annotations: check for NULL position Date: Fri, 2 Feb 2018 21:41:48 +0100

source location annotation (old)

----- short format -----

```
sdhci@f9824900 { /* qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dts:14 */
    compatible = "qcom,sdhci-msm-v4"; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:240 */
    reg = <0xf9824900 0x11c 0xf9824000 0x800>; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:241 */
    reg-names = "hc_mem", "core_mem"; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:242 */
    interrupts = <0x0 0x7b 0x0 0x0 0x8a 0x0>; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:243 */
    interrupt-names = "hc_irq", "pwr_irq"; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:244 */
    clocks = <0xd 0xd8 0xd 0xd7>; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:245 */
    clock-names = "core", "iface"; /* qcom-msm8974.dtsi:246 */
    status = "ok"; /* qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dts:17 */
    bus-width = <0x8>; /* qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dts:16 */
}; /* qcom-apg8074-dragonboard.dts:16 */
```

Debug Tools -- semi-OLD

scripts/dtc/dt_prop

- Compare properties accessed on target system vs a device tree (dtX)
- available on elinux.org
- Plan to submit to mail list "any day now"

==> Stalled, awaiting some of Frank's bandwidth

dt_prop example snippets

\$ dt_prop --td dmesg_4.5-rc5_160307_2100 qcom-apq8074-dragonboard.dts

```
# --- dmesg_4.5-rc5_160307_2100
# +++ gcom-apg8074-dragonboard.dts
/dts-v1/;
                // ***** i2c@f9964000 disabled *****
                i2c@f9964000 {
                         #address-cells;
+
                         #size-cells;
+
                         clock-names;
÷
                         clocks;
+
                         compatible;
                         interrupts;
+
÷
                         reg;
                         status;
                };
```

Debug Tools - OLD

- dt_node_info, dt_stat
 - Aids boot (or module load) debugging
 - Status of device creation, devicetree nodes, driver discovery, driver binding
 - proof of concept on elinux.org
 - Stalled, awaiting some of Frank's bandwidth

dt_node_info example 1

\$ dt_node_info coincell
===== devices

===== nodes

/soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/qcom,coincell@2800 qcom,

- ===== nodes bound to a driver
- ===== nodes with a device

===== nodes not bound to a driver
/soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/qcom,coincell@2800 qcom,

===== nodes without a device
/soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/qcom,coincell@2800 qcom,

dt_node_info example 2

\$ dt_node_info coincell
===== devices
/sys/devices/platform/soc/fc4cf000.spmi/spmi-0/0-00/

===== nodes
/soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/qcom,coincell@2800 qcom,

===== nodes bound to a driver

===== nodes with a device
/soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/qcom,coincell@2800 qcom,

===== nodes not bound to a driver
/soc/spmi@fc4cf000/pm8941@0/qcom,coincell@2800 qcom,

===== nodes without a device

Overlays -- more stuff...

Overlays - some use cases

- Expansion slots / external connectors
 - beaglebone
 - raspberry pi
 - minnowboard
 - C.H.I.P.
 - Arduino
 - seeedstudios Grove 4 pin connectors
 - others?
- FPGA

Overlays - some use cases

 Combinatorial explosion of .dts / .dtb files example: Devicetree Hardware Autoconfiguration Hans de Goede ELC Europe 2016

Overlays, one of the gating factors

On 10/18/17 14:46, Frank Rowand wrote:

> On Wed, 2017-10-18 at 10:44 -0500, Rob Herring wrote:

>> The issue remains that the kernel is not really setup to deal with any >> random property or node to be changed at any point in run-time. I >> think there needs to be some restrictions around what the overlays can >> touch. We can't have it be wide open and then lock things down later >> and break users.

> That paragraph is key to any discussion of accepting code to apply overlays.
> Solving that issue has been stated to be a gating factor for such code from
> the beginning of overlay development.

(Not the only remaining issue.)

Overlays, Linux kernel progress

(Not a complete list)

- overlay.c refactored
- resolver.c refactored
- hand coded overlays in devicetree source files
 - resolved by sugar syntax if base tree has required labels
 - continued dtc enhancements underway
- papered over issue: free FDT or expanded devicetree while pointers into them still exist
- unable to free overlay FDT and overlay expanded device tree after overlay removal (memory leak)
- FDT format update up in the air
- of locking architecturally broken
- pre-removal checks needs to ensure relevent driver(s) unbind
- connectors architecture up in the air
- overlay semantics not fully specified
- overlay manager (do not accept until gating requirements are resolved)

Devicetree Development History

Some random statistics

v4.2.. arch/*/boot/dts/ commits

- 550 arc
- 54641 arm
- 13170 arm64
 - 4 c6x
 - 44 cris
 - 93 h8300
 - 33 metag
 - 2 microblaze
 - 1054 mips
 - 31 nios2
 - 7 openrisc
 - 797 powerpc
 - 25 sh
 - 115 xtensa

arch/*/boot/dts/ commits

v4.2 638 v4.3 592 v4.4 666 v4.5 725 682 v4.6 722 v4.7 674 v4.8 v4.9 719 2017 02 19 768 v4.10 2017 04 30 v4.11 632 v4.12 658 v4.13 687 v4.14 725 v4.15 762

arch/*/boot/dts/ commits

	arm	arm64
v4.2	568	36
v4.3	535	46
v4.4	553	67
v4.5	571	137
v4.6	511	149
v4.7	559	117
v4.8	498	156
v4.9	489	195
v4.10	519	235
v4.11	456	151
v4.12	434	217
v4.13	381	283
v4.14	401	294
v4.15	503	219

2017	02	19
2017	04	30

.../bindings/ commits

V	/4.2	488			
\mathbf{V}	/4.3	411			
V	/4.4	418			
V	/4.5	467			
V	/4.6	428			
\mathbf{V}	/4.7	445			
V	/4.8	418			
\mathbf{V}	/4.9	453			
١	/4.10	491	2017	02	19
١	/4.11	421	2017	04	30
١	/4.12	468			
١	/4.13	460			
١	/4.14	494			
١	/4.15	438			

scripts/dtc/ commits

v4.2	2
v4.3	${\scriptstyle \bullet}$
v4.4	·
v4.5	·
v4.6	3
v4.7	1
v4.8	1
v4.9	·
v4.10	Θ
v4.11	1
v4.12	6
v4.13	6
v4.14	2
v4.15	4

2017	02	19
2017	04	30

drivers/of/ commits

v4.2	29
v4.3	16
V4.4	38
v4.5	22
v4.6	29
v4.7	40
v4.8	30
v4.9	24
	24 28
v4.9	<u> </u>
v4.9 v4.10	28
v4.9 v4.10 v4.11	28 19
<pre>v4.9 v4.10 v4.11 v4.12</pre>	28 19 32

2017	02	19
2017	04	30

v4.10.. top drivers/of/ commits (February 19, 2017 ..)

What have patch topics been?

Very imprecise topic count (do not take the list too seriously...)

Based mostly on leading fields of patch subject

v4.10.. top drivers/of/ commits

(loosely based by patch comment tag)

- 23 overlay
- 10 device property
- 12 test
 - 7 of_mdio
 - 7 irq
 - 6 fdt
 - 6 of_graph
 - 6 device
 - 5 pci
 - 4 platform
 - 3 base

http://elinux.org/Device_Tree_presentations_papers_articles http://elinux.org/Device_Tree_presentations_papers_articles#debug

http://elinux.org/Device_Tree_Reference

Devicetree Documentation

elinux.org/Device_Tree_Reference

- becoming more complete
- contributions and comments welcome

dtx_diff dtc --annotate dt_node_info

Solving Device Tree Issues: Frank Rowand, elce 2015 http://elinux.org/images/0/04/Dt_debugging_elce_2015_151006_0421.pdf (In this presentation, dtx_diff was named dtdiff.)

Supporting material for: Solving Device Tree Issues: http://elinux.org/Device_Tree_frowand section: Embedded Linux Conference Europe (ELCE) - October 6, 2015

dt_to_config

Solving Device Tree Issues - Part 2: Frank Rowand, LinuxCon Japan 2016 http://elinux.org/images/5/50/Dt_debugging_part_2.pdf

dt_prop

Solving Device Tree Issues - Part 3: Frank Rowand, elce 2016 http://elinux.org/images/e/e5/Dt_debugging_part_3.pdf

Supporting material for: Solving Device Tree Issues - Part 3: kernel patches scripts/dtc/dts_diff scripts/dtc/dt_prop http://elinux.org/Device_Tree_frowand section: Resources for "Solving Device Tree Issues - Part 3" talk