

# Writing Device Drivers

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## *Preface*

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Writing Device Drivers describes how to develop device drivers for character-oriented devices, block-oriented devices, and Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) target devices. A common driver programming approach is taken so that drivers can be written without concern for platform-specific issues such as *endianness* and data ordering.

### *Who Should Read This Book*

The audience for this book is UNIX programmers familiar with UNIX device drivers. Several overview chapters at the beginning of the book provide background information for the detailed technical chapters that follow, but they are not intended as a general tutorial or text on device drivers.

### *How This Book Is Organized*

This book discusses the development of a dynamically loadable and unloadable, multithreaded reentrant device driver applicable to all architectures that conform to the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI.

#### *Chapter Overview*

- Chapter 1, “The SunOS Kernel and Device Tree,” provides an overview of the SunOS kernel and the manner in which it represents devices as nodes in a device tree.

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- Chapter 2, “Hardware Overview,” discusses multiplatform hardware issues related to device drivers.
  - Chapter 3, “Overview of SunOS Device Drivers,” gives an outline of the kinds of device drivers and their basic structure. It points out the common data access routines and concludes with an illustrated roadmap of common driver entry points and structures.
  - Chapter 4, “Multithreading,” describes the mechanisms of the SunOS multithreaded kernel that are of interest to driver writers.
  - Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration,” describes the support a driver must provide for autoconfiguration.
  - Chapter 6, “Interrupt Handlers,” describes the interrupt handling mechanisms. These include registering, servicing, and removing interrupts.
  - Chapter 7, “DMA,” describes direct memory access (DMA) and the DMA interfaces.
  - Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices,” describes the structure and functions of a driver for a character-oriented device.
  - Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices,” describes the structure and functions of a driver for a block-oriented device.
  - Chapter 10, “Device Context Management” describes the set of interfaces that allow device drivers to manage the context of user processes accessing a device.
  - Chapter 11, “SCSI Target Drivers,” outlines the Sun Common SCSI Architecture and describes the additional requirements of SCSI target drivers.
  - Chapter 12, “SCSI Host Bus Adapter Drivers” explains how to write a SCSI Host Bus Adapter (HBA) driver using the Sun Common SCSI Architecture (SCSA).
  - Chapter 13, “Loading and Unloading Drivers,” shows the steps for compiling and linking a driver, and for installing it in the system.
  - Chapter 14, “Debugging,” gives coding suggestions, debugging hints, a simple `adb/kadb` tutorial, and some hints on testing the driver.
  - Appendix A, “Converting a 4.x Device Driver to SunOS 5.5,” gives hints on converting SunOS 4.x drivers to SunOS 5.5.



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- Appendix B, “Interface Transition List” presents a list of DDI/DKI data access interface functions that have changed from Solaris 2.4 to Solaris 2.5. It also presents data access functions new to Solaris 2.5.
  - Appendix C, “Summary of Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI Services,” summarizes, by topic, the kernel functions device driver can use.
  - Appendix D, “Sample Driver Source Code Listings” displays a list of sample drivers, and the location of the sample code in the DDK.
  - Appendix E, “Driver Code Layout Structure” presents header files and an outline of `xx.c` source code samples for a typical driver.
  - Appendix F, “Advanced Topics,” presents a collection of optional topics.

## *Related Books*

For more detailed reference information about the device driver interfaces, see sections 9, 9E (entry points), 9F (functions), and 9S (structures) of the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*.

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## Typographic Conventions

The following table describes the meanings of the typefaces used in this book:

### Typographic Conventions

Typeface	Meaning	Example
constant width	C language symbol or UNIX command	<code>ddi_add_intr()</code> registers a device interrupt with the system. <code>add_drv</code> adds a driver to the system.
italic	Placeholder for a value that the driver must supply	<i>inumber</i> is the number of the interrupt to register.
italic	Book title, a new word or term, or an emphasized word	See chapter 9 of the <i>STREAMS Programmer's Guide</i> . A <i>mutual exclusion lock</i> is... Any device interrupts <i>must</i> be registered with the system.

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# *The SunOS Kernel and Device Tree*

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This chapter provides an overview of the SunOS kernel and the manner in which it represents devices as nodes in a device tree. It covers general kernel structure and function, kernel and user threads, relevant aspects of the virtual memory (VM) system, and the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI.

A device tree with bus nexus and leaf nodes is also illustrated. Finally, driver binding to device nodes is discussed in relation to both specific and generic device names.

## *What is the Kernel?*

The SunOS kernel is a program that manages system resources. It insulates applications from the system hardware and provides them with essential system services such as input/output (I/O) management, virtual memory and scheduling. The kernel consists of object modules that are dynamically loaded into memory when needed. The kernel is divided into two modules:

- `/kernel/genunix`
- `/platform/'uname -i'/kernel/unix`

`/kernel/genunix` is the platform-independent module and `/platform/'uname -i'/kernel/unix` is the platform-specific module.

The kernel provides a set of interfaces for applications to use called *system calls*. System calls are documented in the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook* (see `Intro(2)`).

The function of some system calls is to invoke a device driver to perform I/O. Device drivers are loadable modules that insulate the kernel from device hardware and manage data transfers.

Platform dependent device drivers reside in:

- `/platform/`uname -i`/kernel`

Platform independent drivers reside in:

- `/usr/kernel` or `/kernel`

See Chapter 13, “Loading and Unloading Drivers,” for the details of compiling and installing device drivers.

## *Multithreading*

In most UNIX systems, the *process* is the unit of execution. In SunOS 5.x, a *thread* is the unit of execution. A thread is a sequence of instructions executed within a program. A process consists of one or more threads. There are two types of threads: application threads, which run in user space, and kernel threads, which run in kernel space.

The kernel is multithreaded (MT). Many kernel threads can be running kernel code, and may be doing so concurrently on a multiprocessor (MP) machine. Kernel threads may also be preempted by other kernel threads at any time. This is a departure from the traditional UNIX model where only one process can be running kernel code at any one time, and that process is not preemptable (though it is interruptible).

The multithreading of the kernel imposes some additional restrictions on the device drivers. For more information on multithreading considerations, see Chapter 4, “Multithreading” and Appendix F, “Advanced Topics.”

## *Virtual Memory*

A complete overview of the SunOS virtual memory (VM) system is beyond the scope of this book, but two virtual memory terms of special importance are used when discussing device drivers: virtual addresses and address spaces.

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## Virtual Addresses

A *virtual address* is an address that is mapped by the memory management unit (MMU) to a physical hardware address. All addresses accessed directly by the driver are kernel virtual addresses; they refer to the *kernel address space*.

## Address Spaces

An *address space* is a set of *virtual address segments*, each of which is a contiguous range of virtual addresses. Each user process has an address space called the *user address space*. The kernel has its own address space called the *kernel address space*.

## Special Files

In UNIX, devices are treated as files. They are represented in the file system by *special files*. These files are advertised by the device driver and maintained by the `drvconfig(1M)` program. Special files commonly reside in the `/devices` directory hierarchy.

Special files may be of type *block* or *character*. The type indicates which kind of device driver operates the device.

Associated with each special file is a *device number*. This consists of a *major number* and a *minor number*. The major number identifies the device driver associated with the special file. The minor number is created and used by the device driver to further identify the special file. Usually, the minor number is an encoding that identifies the device the driver should access and the type of access to perform. The minor number, for example, could identify a tape device requiring backup and also specify whether the tape needs to be rewound when the backup operation completes.

## Dynamic Loading of Kernel Modules

Kernel modules are loaded dynamically as references are made to them. For example, when a device special file is opened (see `open(2)`), the corresponding driver is loaded if it is not already in memory. Device drivers must provide support for dynamic loading. See Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration,” for more details about the loadable module interface.

## Overview of the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI

In System V Release 4 (SVR4), the interface between device drivers and the rest of the UNIX kernel has been standardized and documented in Section 9 of the of the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*. The reference manual documents driver entry points, driver-callable functions and kernel data structures used by device drivers. These interfaces, known collectively as the Solaris 2.x Device Driver Interface/Driver-Kernel Interface (Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI), are divided into the following subdivisions:

- Device Driver Interface/Driver Kernel Interface (DDI/DKI)  
Includes architecture-independent interfaces supported on all implementations of System V Release 4 (SVR4).
- Solaris DDI  
Includes architecture-independent interfaces specific to Solaris.
- Solaris SPARC DDI  
Includes SPARC Instruction Set Architecture (ISA) interfaces specific to Solaris.
- Solaris x86 DDI  
Includes x86 Instruction Set Architecture (ISA) interfaces specific to Solaris.
- Device Kernel Interface (DKI).  
Includes DKI-only architecture-independent interfaces specific to SVR4. These interfaces may not be supported in future releases of System V. Only two interfaces belong to this group: `segmap(9E)` and `hat_getkpfnum(9F)`.

The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI, like its SVR4 counterpart, is intended to standardize and document all interfaces between device drivers and the kernel. In addition, the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI is designed to allow source compatibility for drivers on any SunOS 5.x-based machine, regardless of the processor architecture (such as SPARC or x86). It is also intended to provide binary compatibility for drivers running on any SunOS 5.x-based processor, regardless of the specific platform architecture (sun4, sun4c, sun4d, sun4e, Sun4m, i86pc). Drivers using only kernel facilities that are part of the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI are known as *Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI-compliant device drivers*.

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The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI allows platform-independent device drivers to be written for SunOS 5.x based machines. These *shrink-wrapped* (binary compatible) drivers allow third-party hardware and software to be more easily integrated into SunOS 5.x-based machines. The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI is designed to be architecture independent and allow the same driver to work across a diverse set of machine architectures.

Platform independence is accomplished in the design of DDI portions of the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI. The following main areas are addressed:

- Interrupt handling
- Accessing the device space from the kernel or a user process (register mapping and memory mapping)
- Accessing kernel or user process space from the device (DMA services)
- Managing device properties

## *The Device Tree*

The kernel uses a tree structure to represent various physical machine configurations. Each node in the tree structure is described by a device-information structure. Standard device drivers and their devices are associated with leaf nodes. These drivers are called *leaf* drivers. Bus drivers are associated with bus nexus nodes and are called *bus nexus* drivers. This book documents writing leaf drivers and one type of nexus driver, a SCSI Host Bus Adapter driver. This manual does not document any other type of bus nexus driver. Figure 1-1 on page 6 illustrates two possible device tree configurations.

## Device Tree Configurations

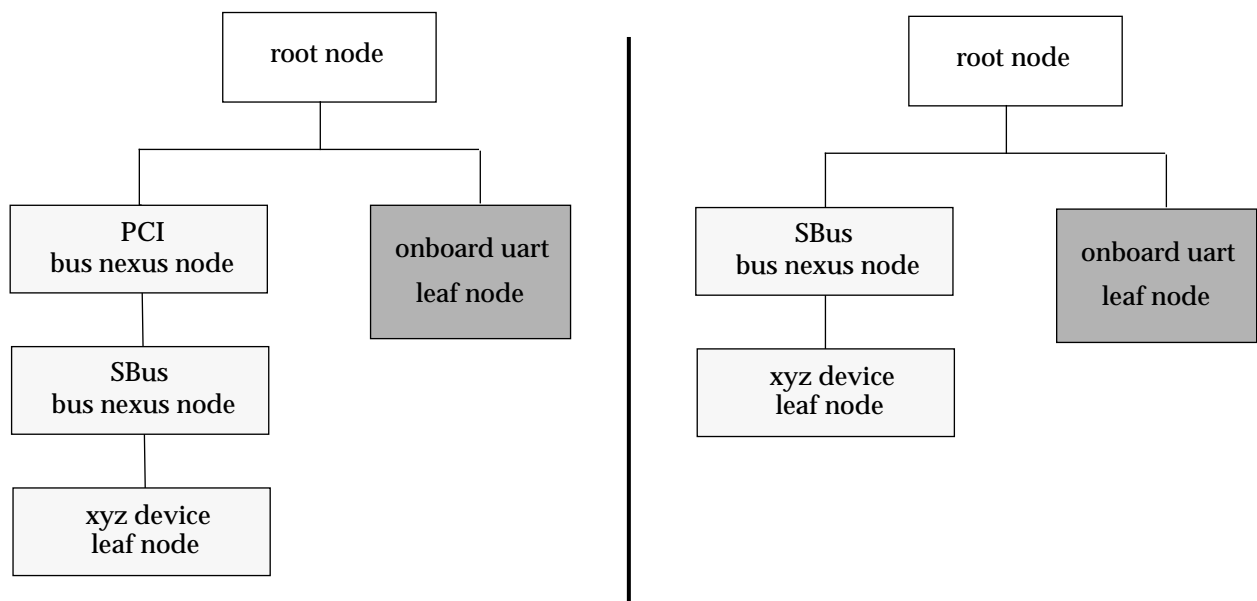


Figure 1-1 Possible device tree configurations

The topmost node in the device tree is called the *root node*. The tree structure creates a parent-child relationship between nodes. This parent-child relationship is the key to architectural independence. When a leaf or bus nexus driver requires a service that is architecturally dependent in nature, it requests its parent to provide the service.

The intermediate nodes in the tree are generally associated with buses, such as the SBus, SCSI, and PCI buses. These nodes are called *bus nexus nodes* and the drivers associated with them are called *bus nexus drivers*. Bus nexus drivers encapsulate the architectural dependencies associated with a particular bus.

This approach allows drivers to function regardless of the architecture of the machine or the processor. The *xyz* driver, for example, is source compatible with the architectural configurations shown in Figure 1-1; it can be binary compatible if the system uses the same Instruction Set Architecture.



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Additionally, in Figure 1-1, the bus nexus driver associated with the PCI-to-SBus adapter card handles all of the architectural dependencies of the interface. The *xyz* driver only needs to know that it is connected to a SBus.

### *Example Device Tree*

In this example, the system builds a tree structure that contains information about the devices connected to the machine at boot time. The system uses this information to create a dependency tree with bus nexus nodes and leaf nodes.

Figure 1-2 on page 8 illustrates a sample device tree for a frame buffer (*SUNW, ffb*), a pseudo bus nexus node, and several PCI devices associated with a PCI bus nexus node.

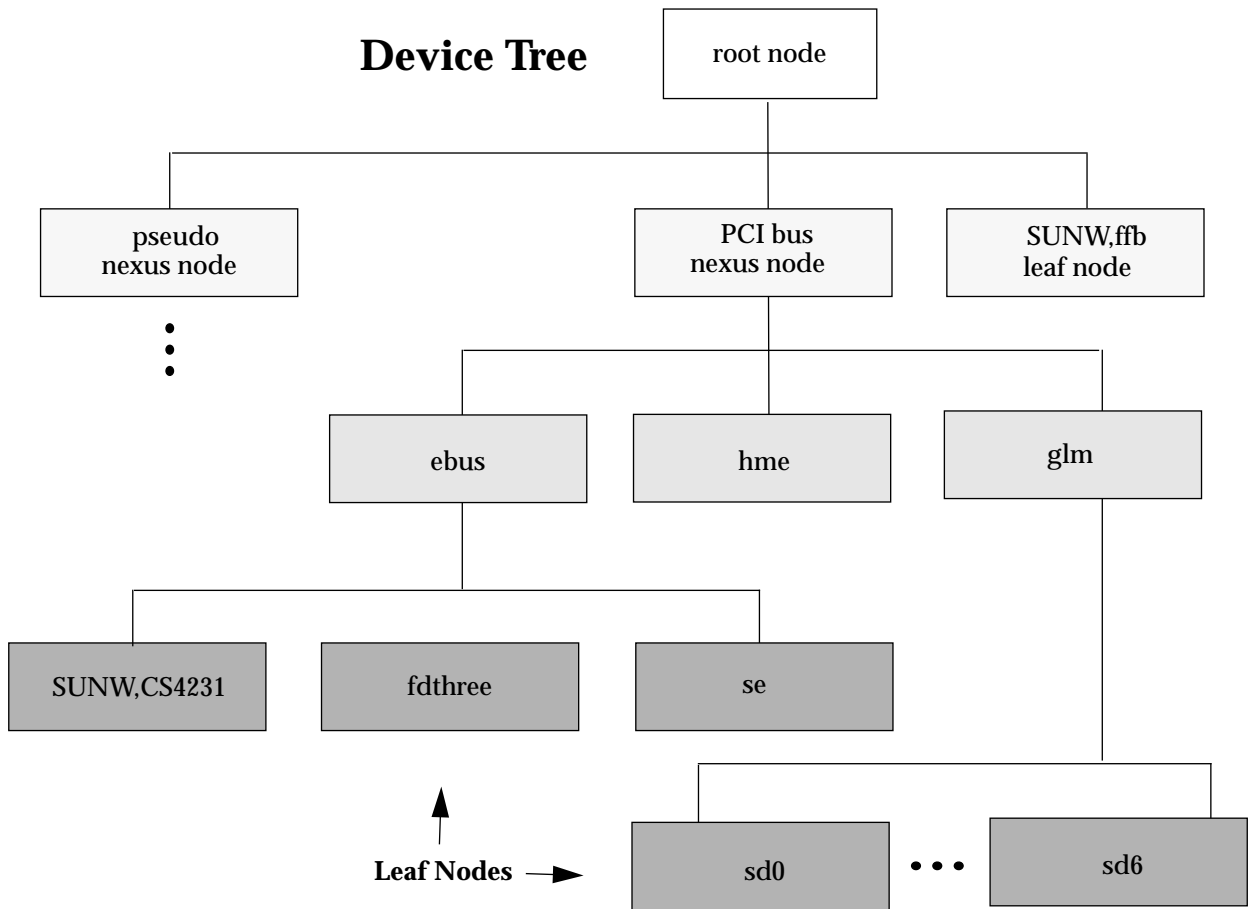


Figure 1-2 Example device tree

In Figure 1-2, the `SUNW,ffb` leaf node represents a system frame buffer. The pseudo bus nexus node is the parent node of any pseudo device drivers (drivers without hardware). The PCI bus nexus node is the parent node for the following children:

- `ebus`—the ebus bus nexus node
- `hme`—the Ethernet driver
- `glm`—the SCSI HBA (host bus adapter) nexus node

The ebus nexus node is both the child of the PCI bus nexus node and the parent node of the following leaf nodes: `fdthree` (a floppy disk device); `SUNW,CS4231` (an audio device); and `se` (a serial device). The Ethernet driver (`hme`) is a leaf node and therefore has no children. The SCSI HBA node (`g1m`) has a number of disk devices as leaf nodes.

### *Device Drivers*

Associated with each leaf or bus nexus node may be a device driver. Each driver has associated with it a device operations structure (see `dev_ops(9S)`) that defines the operations that the device driver can perform. The device operations structure contains function pointers for generic operations such as `getinfo(9E)` and `attach(9E)`. It also contains a pointer to operations specific to bus nexus drivers and a pointer to operations specific to leaf drivers.

### *Displaying the Device Tree*

The device tree can be displayed in two ways:

- The `prtconf(1M)` command displays all of the device nodes in the device tree.
- The `/devices` hierarchy is a representation of the device tree; `ls(1)` can be used to view it.

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**Note** - `/devices` only displays devices that have drivers configured into the system. `prtconf(1M)` shows all driver nodes regardless of whether a driver for the device exists on the system or not.

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```
prtconf(1M)
```

The `prtconf(1M)` command (abbreviated example output below) displays all the devices in the system:

```
SUNW,SPARCstation-fusion
  •
  •
  •
pci, instance #0
pci, instance #1
  ebus, instance #0
```

```
auxio (driver not attached)
power (driver not attached)
sc (driver not attached)
se, instance #0
su, instance #0
su, instance #1
ecpp (driver not attached)
fdthree, instance #0
SUNW,CS4231 (driver not attached)
eeprom (driver not attached)
flashprom (driver not attached)
hme, instance #0
glm, instance #0
    disk (driver not attached)
    tape (driver not attached)
    sd, instance #0
    sd, instance #1 (driver not attached)
    sd, instance #2 (driver not attached)
    sd, instance #3 (driver not attached)
    sd, instance #4 (driver not attached)
    sd, instance #5 (driver not attached)
    sd, instance #6
SUNW,UltraSPARC (driver not attached)
SUNW,ffb, instance #0
pseudo, instance #0
```

## /devices

The `/devices` hierarchy provides a name space that represents the device tree. Following is an abbreviated listing of the `/devices` name space. The sample output corresponds to the example device tree and `prtconf(1M)` output shown previously.

```
/devices
/devices/pseudo
/devices/pci@1f,4000
/devices/pci@1f,4000/ebus@1
/devices/pci@1f,4000/ebus@1/se@14,400000:a
/devices/pci@1f,4000/ebus@1/se@14,400000:b
/devices/pci@1f,4000/ebus@1/fdthree@14,3023f0:b
/devices/pci@1f,4000/ebus@1/SUNW,CS4231@14,200000:sound,audio
/devices/pci@1f,4000/glm@3
/devices/pci@1f,4000/glm@3/sd@0,0:a
/devices/pci@1f,4000/glm@3/sd@6,0:a
/devices/pci@1f,2000 /devices/SUNW,ffb@1e,0:ffb0
```

## Binding a Driver to a Device Node

In addition to constructing the device tree, the kernel must also determine the drivers that will be used to manage the devices.

Binding a driver to a device node refers to the process by which the system selects a driver to manage a particular device. The driver binding name is the name that links a driver to a unique device node in the device information tree. For each device in the device tree, the system chooses a driver from a list of drivers.

Each device node has a *name* property associated with it. This property may be derived either from an external agent such as the PROM during system boot or from a `driver.conf` file. In either case, the *name* property represents the node name assigned to a device in the device tree.

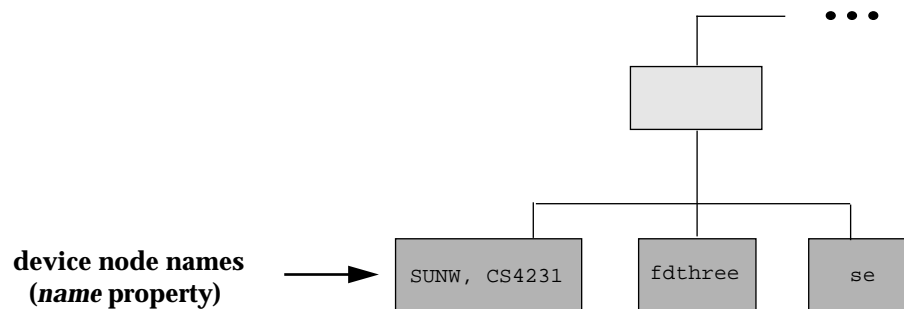


Figure 1-3 Device node names

A device node may also have a *compatible* property associated with it. The *compatible* property (if it exists) contains an ordered list of one or more possible driver names for the device.

The system uses both the *name* and the *compatible* properties to select a driver for the device. The system first attempts to match the contents of the device *name* property to a driver on the system. If this fails, the system checks for the existence of a *compatible* property. The *compatible* property is simply a listing of possible driver names from which the system can determine the specific driver binding name for the device.

Beginning with the first driver name on the *compatible* property list, the system attempts to match the driver name to a known driver on the system. It processes each entry on the list until either a match is found or the end of the list is reached.

If the contents of either the *name* property or the *compatible* property match a driver on the system, then that driver is bound to the device node. If no match is found, no driver is bound to the device node.

### *Generic Device Names*

Some devices with a *compatible* property use a *Generic Device Name* as the value for the *name* property. Generic device names describe the function of a device without actually identifying a specific driver for the device. For example, a SCSI HBA may have a generic device name of `scsi`. An ethernet device may have a generic device name of `ethernet`.

The *compatible* property allows the system to determine alternate driver names (like `glm` for `scsi` HBA device drivers or `hme` for `ethernet` device drivers) for devices with a generic device name.

Devices with a generic device names must support a *compatible* property.

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**Note** – A complete description of *generic device names* may be found in the IEEE 1275 Open Firmware Boot Standard.

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Figure 1-4 on page 13 shows two device nodes: one node uses a specific device name and the other uses a generic device name.

For the device node with a specific device name, the driver binding name `SUNW,ffb` is the same name as the device node name.

For the device node with the generic device name `display`, the driver binding name `SUNW,ffb` is the first name on the *compatible* property driver list that matches a driver on the system driver list. In this case, `display` is a generic device name for frame buffers.

### Specific Device Name (`SUNW,ffb`)

#### System Driver List

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```

esp
isp
cgsix
sd
SUNW,ffb
st
pci
.
.
.

```

#### Device Node

<b>properties :</b>	
<b>name =</b>	SUNW,ffb
<b>.</b>	
<b>.</b>	
<b>node name :</b>	SUNW,ffb
<b>binding name :</b>	SUNW,ffb

### Generic Device Name (`display`)

#### System Driver List

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```

esp
isp
cgsix
sd
SUNW,ffb
st
pci
.
.
.

```

#### Device Node

<b>properties :</b>	
<b>name =</b>	display
<b>compatible =</b>	fast_fb
	SUNW,ffb
	slow_fb
<b>node name :</b>	display
<b>binding name :</b>	SUNW,ffb

Figure 1-4 Driver Node Binding





## *Hardware Overview*

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This chapter discusses some general issues about the hardware that SunOS 5.x runs on. This includes issues related to the processor, bus architectures, and memory models supported by Solaris 2.x, various device issues, and the PROM used in Sun platforms.

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**Note** – The information presented here is for informational purposes only and may be of help during driver debugging. However, the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI hides many of these implementation details from device drivers.

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### *SPARC Processor Issues*

This section describes a number of SPARC processor-specific topics including data alignment, byte ordering, register windows, and availability of floating point instructions. For information on X86 processor-specific topics, see “x86 Processor Issues” on page 17. For information on PowerPC processor-specific topics, see “PowerPC Processor Issues” on page 18

#### *Data Alignment*

All quantities must be aligned on their natural boundaries. Using standard C data types:

- `short` integers are aligned on 16-bit boundaries.
- `long` integers are aligned on 32-bit boundaries.

- `long long` integers are aligned on 64-bit boundaries.

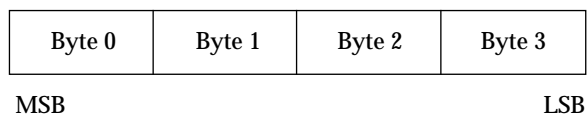
Usually, alignment issues are handled by the compiler. Driver writers are more likely to be concerned about alignment as they must use the proper data types to access their device. Since device registers are commonly accessed through a pointer reference, drivers must ensure that pointers are properly aligned when accessing the device. See “Data Access Functions” on page 55 for more information about accessing device registers.

### *Structure Member Alignment*

Because of the data alignment restrictions imposed by the SPARC processor, C structures also have alignment requirements. Structure alignment requirements are imposed by the most strictly-aligned structure component. For example, a structure containing only characters has no alignment restrictions, while a structure containing a `long long` member must be constructed to guarantee that this member falls on a 64-bit boundary. See “Structure Padding” on page 59 for more information on how this relates to device drivers.

### *Byte Ordering*

The SPARC processor uses *big endian* byte ordering; in other words, the most significant byte of an integer is stored at the lowest address of the integer.



### *Register Windows*

SPARC processors use register windows. Each register window is comprised of 8 *in* registers, 8 *local* registers, and 8 *out* registers (which are the *in* registers of the next window). There are also 8 *global* registers. The number of register windows ranges from 2 to 32 depending on the processor implementation.

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Because drivers are normally written in C, the fact that register windows are used is usually hidden by the compiler. However, it may be necessary to use them when debugging the driver. See “Debugging Tools” on page 323 for more information on how register windows are used when debugging.

### *Floating Point Operations*

Drivers should not perform floating point operations, since they are not supported in the kernel.

### *Multiply and Divide Instructions*

The Version 7 SPARC processors do not have multiply or divide instructions. These instructions are emulated in software and should be avoided. Since a driver cannot tell whether it is running on a Version 7 or Version 8 processor, intensive integer multiplication and division should be avoided if possible. Instead, use bitwise left and right shifts to multiply and divide by powers of two.

### *SPARC Architecture Manual*

*The SPARC Architecture Manual, Version 8*, contains more specific information on the SPARC CPU.

## *x86 Processor Issues*

This section describes a number of x86 processor-specific topics including data alignment, byte ordering and floating point instructions.

### *Data Alignment*

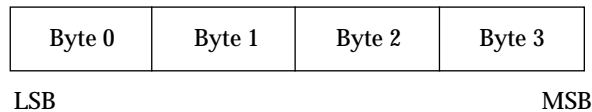
There are no alignment restrictions on data types. However, extra memory cycles may be required for the x86 processor to properly handle misaligned data transfers.

### *Structure Member Alignment*

See “Structure Padding” on page 59 for more information on how this relates to device drivers.

### *Byte Ordering*

The x86 processor uses *little endian* byte ordering. The least significant byte of an integer is stored at the lowest address of the integer.



### *Floating Point Operations*

Drivers should not perform floating point operations, since they are not supported in the kernel.

### *x86 Architecture Manuals*

Intel Corporation publishes a number of books on the x86 family of processors.

*80386 Programmer’s Reference Manual*, Intel Corporation, 1986. ISBN 1-55512-022-9.

*i486 Microprocessor Hardware Reference Manual*, Intel Corporation, 1990. ISBN 1-55512-112-8.

*Pentium Processor User’s Manual - Volume 3: Architecture and Programming Manual*, Intel corporation, 1993. ISBN 1-55512-195-0.

## *PowerPC Processor Issues*

### *Data Alignment*

All quantities must be aligned on their natural boundaries. Using standard C data types:

- `short` integers are aligned on 16-bit boundaries.
- `long` integers are aligned on 32-bit boundaries.
- `long long` integers are aligned on 64-bit boundaries.

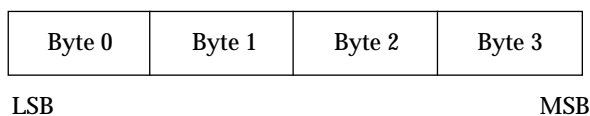
Usually, alignment issues are handled by the compiler. Driver writers are more likely to be concerned about alignment as they must use the proper data types to access their device. Since device registers are commonly accessed through a pointer reference, drivers must ensure that pointers are properly aligned when accessing the device. See “Data Access Functions” on page 55 for more information about accessing device registers.

### *Structure Member Alignment*

Because of the data alignment restrictions imposed by the *PowerPC (TM) microprocessor-based system*, C structures also have alignment requirements. Structure alignment requirements are imposed by the most strictly-aligned structure component. For example, a structure containing only characters has no alignment restrictions, while a structure containing a `long long` member must be constructed to guarantee that this member falls on a 64-bit boundary. See “Structure Padding” on page 59 for more information on how this relates to device drivers.

### *Byte Ordering*

The PowerPC processor uses *little endian* byte ordering. The least significant byte of an integer is stored at the lowest address of the integer.



### *Floating Point Operations*

Drivers should not perform floating point operations, since they are not supported in the kernel.

## *PowerPC Architecture Manual*

*The PowerPC(TM) Architecture: A Specification or a New Family of RISC Processors*, Edited by Cathy May, Ed Silha, Rick Simpson, Hank Warren. Morgan Kaufman Publishers, Inc., San Francisco. Second Edition, May, 1994.

### *Store Buffers*

To improve performance, the CPU uses internal store buffers to temporarily store data. This may affect the synchronization of device I/O operations. Therefore, the driver needs to take explicit steps to make sure that writes to registers complete at the proper time.

For example, when access to device space (such as registers or a frame buffer) is synchronized by a lock, the driver needs to make sure that the store to the device space has actually completed before releasing the lock. Releasing the lock does not guarantee the flushing of I/O buffers.

When acknowledging an interrupt, to give another example, the driver usually sets or clears a bit in a device control register. The driver must ensure that the write to the control register has reached the device before the interrupt handler returns. Similarly, if the device requires a delay (the driver busy-waits) after writing a command to the control register, the driver must ensure that the write has reached the device before delaying.

If the device registers can be read without undesirable side effects, verification of a write can be as simple as reading the register immediately after writing to it. If that particular register cannot be read without undesirable side effects, another device register in the same register set can be used.

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**Note** – On PowerPC, the `SYNC` instruction ensures that the effects of any stores are applied in program order before the sync completes. Releasing a lock (a mutex) executes a `SYNC` instruction, thereby guaranteeing the flushing of stores to I/O buffers.

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### *System Memory Model*

The system memory model defines the semantics of memory operations such as *load* and *store* and specifies how the order in which these operations are issued by a processor is related to the order in which they reach memory. The

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memory model applies to both uniprocessors and shared-memory multiprocessors. Two memory models are supported: Total Store Ordering (TSO) and Partial Store Ordering (PSO).

### *Total Store Ordering (TSO)*

TSO guarantees that the sequence in which store, FLUSH, and atomic load-store instructions appear in memory for a given processor is identical to the sequence in which they were issued by the processor.

Both x86 and SPARC processors support TSO.

### *Partial Store Ordering (PSO)*

PSO makes no guarantee that the sequence in which store, FLUSH, and atomic load-store instructions appear in memory for a given processor is identical to the sequence in which they were issued by the processor. The processor can reorder the stores so that the sequence of stores in memory is not the same as the sequence of stores in the CPU.

SPARC and PowerPC processors support PSO; x86 processors do not.

For SPARC processors, conformance between *issuing* order and *memory* order is provided by the system framework using the STBAR instruction: if two of the above instructions are separated by a STBAR in the issuing order of a processor, or if they reference the same location, then the memory order of the two instructions is the same as the issuing order.

See Chapter 6, Appendix J, and Appendix K of *The SPARC Architecture Manual, Version 8* for more details on the SPARC memory model.

For PowerPC, the EIEIO instruction assures that all memory references issued before the EIEIO become visible to other processors and mechanisms (such as DMA) before any references issued after the EIEIO. The SYNC instruction ensures not only the ordering, but the completion of the references before the SYNC.

## *Bus Architectures*

This section describes a number of bus-specific topics including device identification, device addressing, and interrupts.

## *Device Identification*

Device identification is the process of determining which devices are present in the system.

### *Self-Identifying Devices*

Some devices are self-identifying—the device itself provides information to the system so that it can identify the device driver that needs to be used. The device usually provides additional information to the system in the form of name-value (name=value) pairs that can be retrieved using the property interfaces. See “Properties” on page 69 for more information on properties.

SBus and PCI Local bus devices are examples of self-identifying devices. On SBus, the information is usually derived from a small FORTH program stored in the FCode PROM on the device. PCI devices provide a configuration space containing device configuration information. See `sbus(4)` and `pci(4)` for more information.

### *Non-Self-Identifying Devices*

Devices that do not provide information to the system to identify themselves are called non-self-identifying devices. Drivers for these devices must have a `probe(9E)` routine which determines whether the device is really there. In addition, information about the device must be provided in a hardware configuration file (see `driver.conf(4)`), so that the system can provide `probe(9E)` with the information it needs to contact the device. See `probe(9E)` for more information.

VMEbus, ISA, EISA, and MicroChannel devices are examples of non-self-identifying devices. See `vme(4)`, `isa(4)`, `eisa(4)`, and `mca(4)` for more information.

## *Interrupts*

SunOS supports polling interrupts and vectored interrupts. The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI interrupt model is the same for both. See “Types of Interrupts” on page 118,” for more information about interrupt handling.



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## *Bus Specifics*

This section covers addressing and device configuration issues specific to the buses that SunOS supports.

### *PCI Local Bus*

The PCI Local Bus is a high performance bus designed for high-speed data transfer. The PCI bus usually resides on the system board and operates at speeds close to those of the host processor. The PCI bus is normally used as an interconnect mechanism between highly integrated peripheral components, peripheral add-on boards and process/memory systems. The processor, main memory and the high speed PCI bus itself are connected through a PCI host bridge, as shown in Figure 2-1 on page 24.

A tree structure of interconnected I/O buses is supported through a series of PCI bus bridges. Subordinate PCI bus bridges can be extended underneath the PCI host bridge to allow a single bus system to be expanded into a complex system with multiple secondary buses. PCI devices can be connected to one of these secondary buses. In addition, other bus bridges like SBus, ISA-bus, etc. can be connected.

Every PCI device has a unique vendor ID and device ID. Multiple devices of the same kind are further identified by their unique device numbers on the bus where they reside.

Typical PCI devices include SCSI adaptors, graphics/ display adaptors, network controllers, etc.

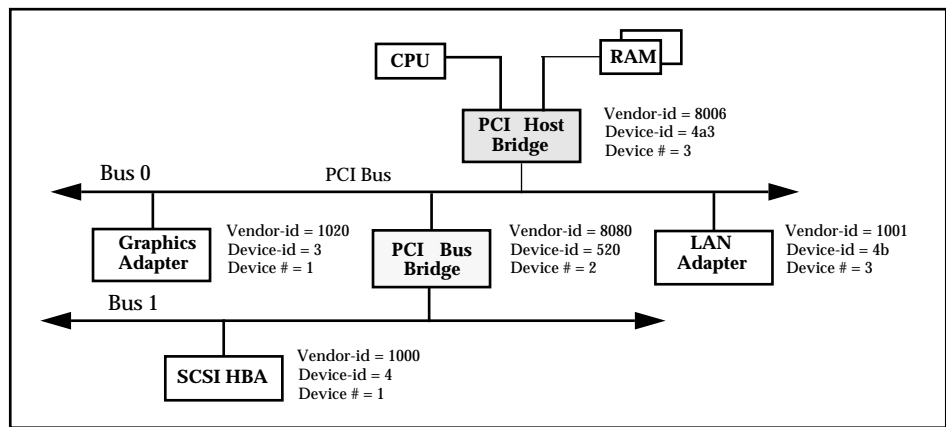


Figure 2-1 Machine block diagram

The PCI host bridge provides an interconnect between the processor and peripheral components. Through the PCI host bridge, the processor can directly access main memory independent of other PCI bus masters. For example, while the CPU is fetching data from the cache controller in the host bridge, other PCI devices can also access the system memory through the host bridge. The advantage of this architecture lies in its separation of the I/O bus from the processor's host bus.

The PCI host bridge also provides data access mappings between the CPU and peripheral I/O devices. It maps every peripheral device to the host address domain so that the processor can access the device through *memory mapped I/O* or *special I/O* instructions. On the local bus side, the PCI host bridge maps the

system memory to the PCI address domain so that PCI device can access the host memory as a bus master. The two address domains are shown in Figure 2-2.

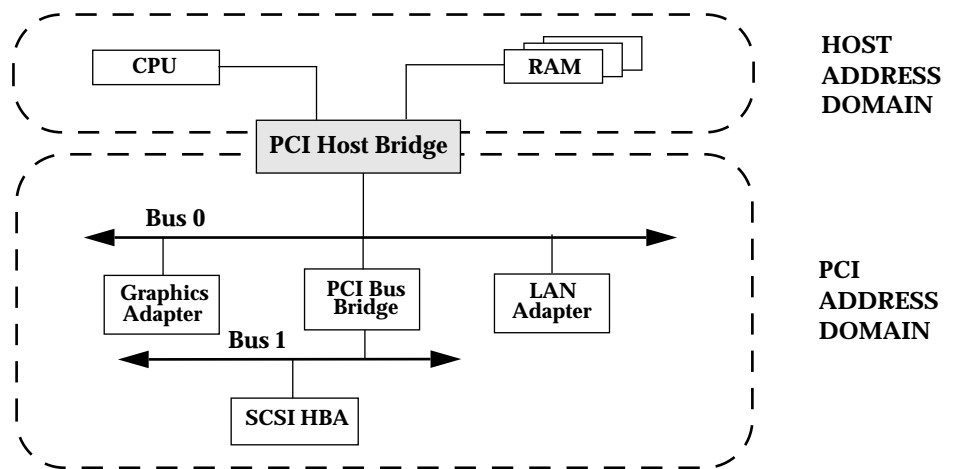


Figure 2-2 Host and bus address domains

## PCI Address Domain

The PCI address domain consists of three distinct address spaces: Configuration, Memory and I/O space.

### Configuration Address Space

Configuration space is defined geographically; in other words, the location of a peripheral device is determined by its physical location within an interconnected tree of PCI bus bridges. A device is usually located by its *bus number* and *device (slot) number*. Each peripheral device contains a set of well-defined configuration registers in its PCI configuration space. The registers are used not only to identify devices but also to provide device configuration

through system software. For example, base address registers in the device Configuration space must be allocated before a device can respond to data access. The Configuration space registers are illustrated in Figure 2-3.

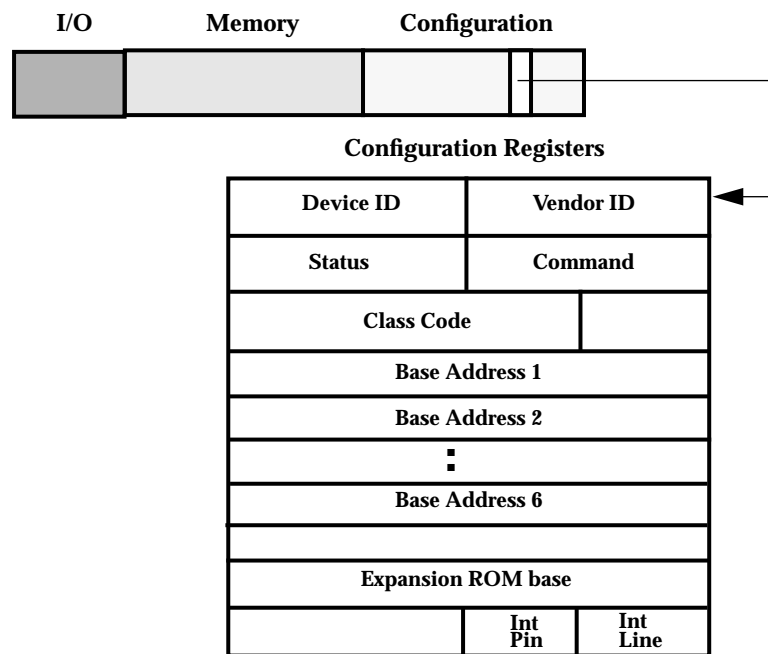


Figure 2-3 PCI Configuration address space

The method for generating configuration cycles is host dependent. In x86 machines, special I/O ports are used. In other Instruction Set Architectures, the PCI configuration space may be *memory-mapped* to certain address locations corresponding to the PCI host bridge in the host address domain. When a device configuration register is accessed by the processor, the request will be routed to the PCI host bridge. The bridge then translates the access into proper configuration cycles on the bus.

## Configuration Base Address Registers

The PCI Configuration space consists of up to six 32-bit base address registers for each device. These registers provide both size and data type information. System firmware assigns base addresses in the PCI address domain to these registers.

The firmware identifies the size of each addressable region by writing all 1's to the base address register and then reading back the value. The device will return 0's in all *don't-care* address bits, effectively specifying the size of the address space.

Each addressable region can be either Memory or I/O space. The value contained in bit 0 of the base address register identifies the type. A value of 0 in bit 0 indicates a Memory space and value of 1 indicates an I/O space. Figure 9 shows two base address registers: one for Memory; the other for I/O types.

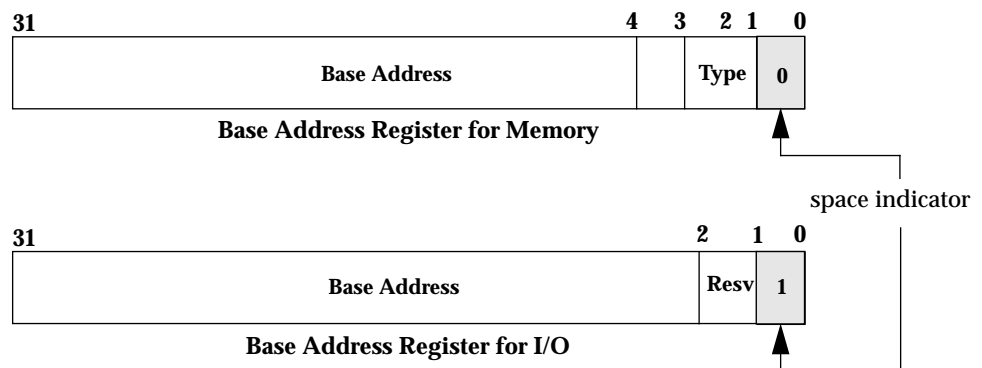


Figure 2-4 Base address registers for Memory and I/O

## Memory Address Space

PCI supports both 32-bit and 64-bit addresses for Memory space. System firmware assigns regions of Memory space in the PCI address domain to PCI peripherals. The base address of a region is stored in the base address register of the device's PCI configuration space. The size of each region must be a power of two, and the assigned base address must be aligned on a boundary

equal to the size of the region. Device addresses in Memory space are *memory-mapped* into the host address domain so that data access to any device can be performed by the processor's native load/store instructions.

### *I/O Address Space*

PCI supports 32-bit I/O space. I/O space may be accessed differently in different Instruction Set Architectures. Processors with special I/O instructions, like the Intel processor family, access the I/O space with `in` and `out` instructions. Machines with no special I/O instructions are usually *memory-mapped* to the address locations corresponding to the PCI host bridge in the host address domain. When the processor accesses the *memory-mapped* addresses, an I/O request will be sent to the PCI host bridge. It then translates the addresses into I/O cycles and puts them on the PCI bus. *Memory-mapped* I/O is performed by the native load/store instructions of the processor. For example, reading from or writing to a memory mapped data register can be done by a load or store instruction to that register's I/O address.

### *Hardware Configuration Files*

Hardware configuration files should be unnecessary for PCI Local bus devices. However, on some occasions drivers for PCI devices may need to use hardware configuration files to augment the driver private information. See `driver.conf(4)` and `pci(4)` for further details.

## *SBus*

Typical SBus systems consist of a motherboard (containing the CPU and SBus interface logic), a number of SBus devices on the motherboard itself, and a number of SBus expansion slots. An SBus can also be connected to other types of buses through an appropriate bus bridge.

The SBus is geographically addressed; each SBus slot exists at a fixed physical address in the system. An SBus card has a different address depending on which slot it is plugged into. Moving an SBus device to a new slot causes the system to treat it as a new device. See “Persistent Instances” on page 101 for more information.

The SBus uses polling interrupts. When an SBus device interrupts, the system only knows which of several devices might have issued the interrupt. The system interrupt handler must ask the driver for each device whether it is responsible for the interrupt.

Following is a discussion of how the SBus is implemented on various SPARCstations.

### *Physical Address Space*

The physical address space layout of the SPARCstation 20 is shown in Table 2-1. A physical address on the SPARCstation 20 consists of 36 bits. The 36-bit physical address space is further broken down into 16 32-bit address spaces identified by PA(35:32).

*Table 2-1* Devices Physical space in the SPARCstation 20

PA(35:32)	32-bit space	Usage
0x0	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	Main Memory
0x1-0xD	Not used on SS20	Not used on SS20
0xE	0x00000000 - 0x0FFFFFFF	SBus Slot 0
	0x10000000 - 0x1FFFFFFF	SBus Slot 1
	0x20000000 - 0x2FFFFFFF	SBus Slot 2
	0x30000000 - 0x3FFFFFFF	SBus Slot 3
	0xE0000000 - 0xEFFFFFFF	SBus Slot E
	0xF0000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	SBus Slot F
0xF	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	Control space

### *Physical SBus Addresses*

The SBus has 32 address bits, as described in the *SBus Specification*. In the SPARCstation 20, the address bits are used as described in Table 2-2:

*Table 2-2* SPARCstation 20 SBus address bits

Bits	Description
0 - 27	These bits are the SBus address lines used by a SBus card to address the contents of the card.
28 - 31	Used by the CPU to select one of the SBus slots. These bits generate the SlaveSelect lines.

This addressing scheme yields the SPARCstation 20 addresses shown earlier in Table 2-1. Other implementations may use a different number of address bits.

The SPARCstation 20 has six SBus slots, four of which are physical. Slots 0 through 3 are available for SBus cards. Slots 4-13 are reserved. The slots are used in the following way:

- Slots 0—3 are physical slots that have DMA-master capability.
- Slot E and F are not actual physical slots, but refer to the on-board DMA, SCSI, Ethernet and Audio controllers. For convenience, these are viewed as being plugged into Slot E and F.

**Note** – Some SBus slots are slave-only slots, such as slot 3 on the SPARCstation1. Drivers that require DMA capability should use `ddi_slaveonly(9F)` to determine if their device is in a DMA-capable slot. For an example of this function, see “attach( )” on page 105.

### *Hardware Configuration Files*

Hardware configuration files are normally unnecessary for SBus devices. However, on some occasions drivers for SBus devices may need to use hardware configuration files to augment the information provided by the SBus card. See `driver.conf(4)` and `sbus(4)` for further details.



## VMEbus

The VMEbus supports multiple address spaces. Appropriate entries in the `driver.conf(4)` file should be made for the address spaces used by the device. For DMA devices, the address space that the board uses for its DMA transfers must be known by the driver (this is usually a 32- or 24-bit space).

A VMEbus card has its own address, possibly configurable by jumpers. A VMEbus card has the same address no matter which slot it is plugged into. Changing the address of a VME card causes the system to treat it as a new device.

The VMEbus uses vectored interrupts. When a VMEbus device interrupts, the system can identify which device is interrupting and call the correct device driver directly.

Following is a discussion of how the VMEbus is implemented in the SPARCserver™ 600.

### Physical Address Space

The physical address space layout of the SPARCserver 600 is shown in Table 2-3. A physical address on the SPARCserver 600 consists of 36 bits. The 36-bit physical address space is further broken down into 16 32-bit address spaces identified by PA(35:32).

Table 2-3 Devices physical space in the SPARCserver 600

PA(35:32)	32-bit space	Usage
0x0	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	Main Memory
0x1-0x9	Not used on SS600	Not used on SS600
0xA	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	VME User 16-bit
0xB	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	VME User 32-bit
0xC	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	VME Supervisor 16-bit
0xD	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	VME Supervisor 32-bit
0xE	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	SBus space
0xF	0x00000000 - 0xFFFFFFFF	Control space

### *Physical VME Addresses*

The SPARCserver 600 has a full 32-bit VMEbus. Table 2-4 contains a listing of the VMEbus address types supported by the generic VMEbus.

*Table 2-4* Generic VMEbus (full set)

<b>VMEbus Space Name</b>	<b>Address Size</b>	<b>Data Transfer Size</b>	<b>Physical Address Range</b>
vme32d16	32 bits	16 bits	0x0 - 0xFFFFFFFF
vme24d16	24 bits	16 bits	0x0 - 0xFFFFFFFF
vme16d16	16 bits	16 bits	0x0 - 0xFFFF
vme32d32	32 bits	32 bits	0x0 - 0xFFFFFFFF
vme24d32	24 bits	32 bits	0x0 - 0xFFFFFFFF
vme16d32	16 bits	32 bits	0x0 - 0xFFFF

Not all of these address spaces are commonly used; nevertheless, they are all supported on the SPARCserver 600.

When a smaller VME space overlays a larger VME space, it steals memory from the larger space and is considered by the MMU to be part of the larger address space. There is no way to physically access VMEbus addresses above 0xFF000000 in 32-bit VMEbus space, or above 0xFFFF0000 in 24-bit VMEbus space.

Figure 2-5 illustrates the overlaying of VMEbus address spaces.

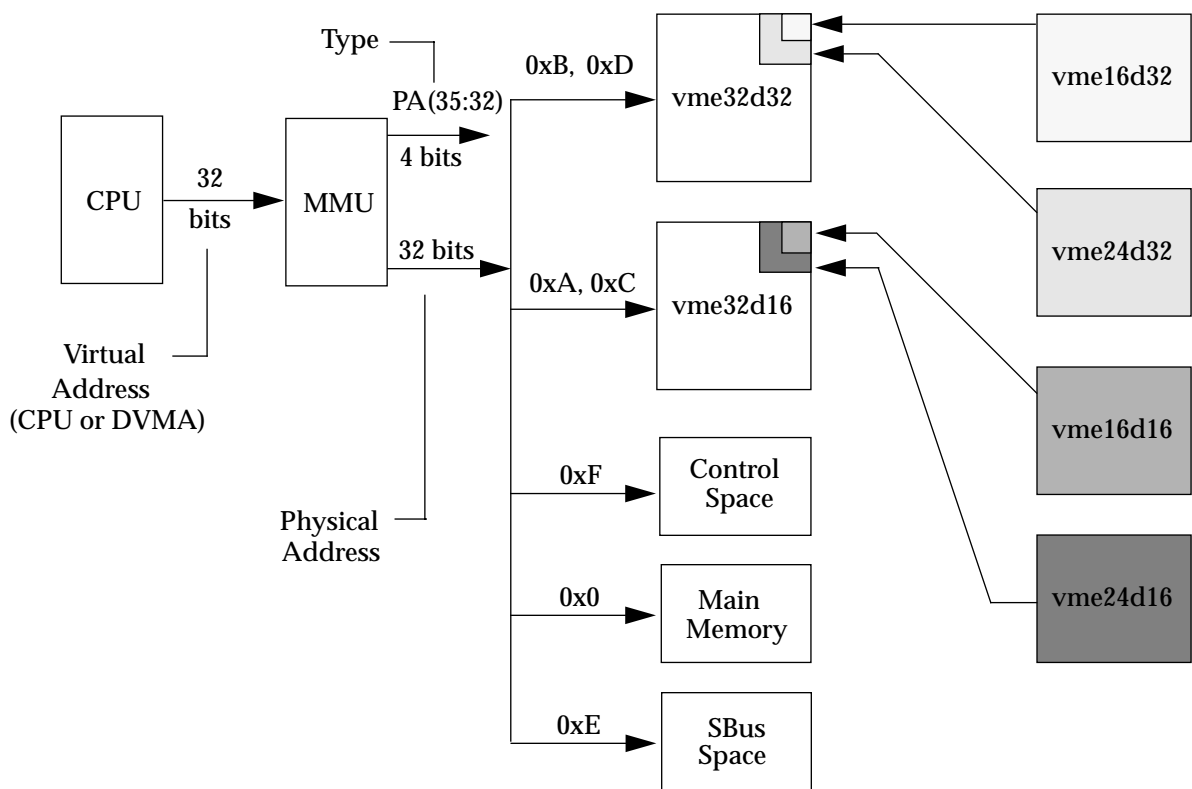


Figure 2-5 SPARCserver 600 VMEbus address spaces

**Caution** – There are restrictions on device addressing. The lower ranges of the 32-bit and 24-bit VME space are reserved for DMA. For example, devices must not be present in the low megabyte of VME address space or the system will not boot. In addition, there may be devices on the bus with addresses that conflict. These can be determined by examining the hardware configuration files.

### Hardware Configuration Files

Most VME devices require hardware configuration files to inform the system that the device hardware may be present. The configuration file must specify the device addresses on the VMEbus and any interrupt capabilities that the device has.

Configuration files for VMEbus devices should identify the parent bus driver implicitly using the *class* key word and specifying class “vme.” This removes the dependency on the name of the particular bus driver involved since the driver may be named differently on different platforms. See `driver.conf(4)` and `vme(4)` for further details.

## ISA Bus

### Memory and I/O Space

Two address spaces are provided: memory address space and I/O address space. Depending on the device, registers may appear in one or both of these address spaces.

Table 2-5 ISA bus address space

ISA Space Name	Address Size	Data Transfer Size	Physical Address Range
Main Memory	24	16	0x0-0xfffff
I/O	—	8/16	0x0-0xff

Registers can be mapped in memory address space and used by the driver as normal memory (see “Memory Space Access” on page 56).

Registers in I/O space are accessed through I/O port numbers using separate kernel routines. See “I/O Space Access” on page 57 for more information.

### Hardware Configuration Files

ISA bus devices require hardware configuration files to inform the system that the hardware may be present. The configuration file must specify any device I/O port addresses, any interrupt capabilities that the device may have, and any memory-mapped addresses it may occupy.

Configuration files for these devices should normally identify the parent bus driver as “isa”. However, since the EISA bus is a super set of the ISA bus, all ISA devices can also be configured to run in an EISA bus slot. In this case, instead of implicitly specifying a particular parent in the configuration file, driver writers can use the *class* key word and specify the class as “sysbus.” This removes the dependency on the name of a particular bus driver. See `driver.conf(4)` and `isa(4)` for further details.

## *EISA Bus*

### *Memory and I/O Space*

Two address spaces are provided: memory address space and I/O address space. Depending on the device, registers may appear in one or both of these address spaces.

*Table 2-6* EISA bus address space

<b>EISA Space Name</b>	<b>Address Size</b>	<b>Data Transfer Size</b>	<b>Physical Address Range</b>
Main Memory	32	32	0x0-0xffffffff
I/O	—	8/16/32	0x0-0xffff

Registers can be mapped in memory address space and used by the driver as normal memory (see “Memory Space Access” on page 56).

Registers in I/O space are accessed through I/O port numbers using separate kernel routines. See “I/O Space Access” on page 57) for more information.

### *Hardware Configuration Files*

EISA bus devices require hardware configuration files to inform the system that the hardware may be present. The configuration file must specify any device I/O port addresses, any interrupt capabilities that the device may have, and any memory-mapped addresses it may occupy.

Configuration files for these devices should normally identify the parent bus driver as “eisa”. See `driver.conf(4)` and `eisa(4)` for further details.

## MCA Bus

### Memory and I/O Space

Two address spaces are provided: memory address space and I/O address space. Depending on the device, registers may appear in one or both of these address spaces.

Table 2-7 MCA address space

MCA Space Name	Address Size	Data Transfer Size	Physical Address Range
Main Memory	32	32	0x0-0xffffffff
I/O	—	8/16/32	0x0-0xff

Registers can be mapped in memory address space and used by the driver as normal memory (see “Memory Mapping” on page 51).

Registers in I/O space are accessed through I/O port numbers using separate kernel routines. See “I/O Space Access” on page 57) for more information.

### Hardware Configuration Files

MCA bus devices require hardware configuration files to inform the system that the hardware may be present. The configuration file must specify any device I/O port addresses, any interrupt capabilities that the device may have, and any memory-mapped addresses it may occupy.

Configuration files for these devices should normally identify the parent bus driver as “mca”. See `driver.conf(4)` and `mca(4)` for further details.

## Device Issues

### Timing-Critical Sections

While most driver operations can be performed without synchronization and protection mechanisms beyond those provided by the locking primitives described in “Locking Primitives” on page 82, some devices require that a sequence of events happen in order without interruption. In conjunction with

the locking primitives, the function `ddi_enter_critical(9F)` asks the system to guarantee, to the best of its ability, that the current thread will neither be preempted nor interrupted. This stays in effect until a closing call to `ddi_exit_critical(9F)` is made. See `ddi_enter_critical(9F)` for details.

## *Delays*

Many chips specify that they can be accessed only at specified intervals. For example, the Zilog Z8530 SCC has a “write recovery time” of 1.6 microseconds. This means that a delay must be enforced with `drv_usecwait(9F)` when writing characters with an 8530. In some instances, it is unclear what delays are needed; in such cases, they must be determined empirically.

## *Internal Sequencing Logic*

Devices with internal sequencing logic map multiple internal registers to the same external address. There are various kinds of internal sequencing logic:

- The Intel 8251A and the Signetics 2651 alternate the same external register between *two* internal mode registers. Writing to the first internal register is accomplished by writing to the external register. This write, however, has the side effect of setting up the sequencing logic in the chip so that the next read/write operation refers to the second internal register.
- The NEC PD7201 PCC has multiple internal data registers. To write a byte into a particular register, two steps must be performed. The first step is to write into register zero the number of the register into which the following byte of data will go. The data is then written to the specified data register. The sequencing logic automatically sets up the chip so that the next byte sent will go into data register zero.
- The AMD 9513 timer has a data pointer register that points at the data register into which a data byte will go. When sending a byte to the data register, the pointer is incremented. *The current value of the pointer register cannot be read.*

## *Interrupt Issues*

The following are some common interrupt-related issues:

- A controller interrupt does *not* necessarily indicate that *both* the controller *and* one of its slave devices are ready. For some controllers, an interrupt may indicate that either the controller is ready or one of its devices is ready, but not both.
- Not all devices power up with interrupts disabled and then start interrupting only when told to do so.
- Some devices do not provide a way to determine that the board has generated an interrupt.
- Not all interrupting boards shut off interrupts when told to do so or after a bus reset.

### *Byte Ordering*

To achieve the goal of multiple platform, multiple Instruction Set Architecture portability, host/bus dependencies were removed from the drivers. The first dependency issue to be addressed was the endian-ness (or byte ordering) of the processor. For example, the x86 processor family is little endian while the SPARC architecture is big endian.

Bus architectures display the same endian-ness types as processors. The PCI local bus, for example, is little endian, the SBus is big endian, the ISA-bus is little endian and so on.

To maintain portability between processors and buses, DDI-compliant drivers must be endian neutral. Although drivers could conceivably manage their endian-ness by runtime checks or by preprocessor directives like `#ifdef _LITTLE_ENDIAN` or `_BIG_ENDIAN` statements in the source code, long term maintenance would be troublesome. The Solaris 2.5 DDI solution hides the endian-ness issues from the drivers as illustrated in Figure 2-6 on page 39. In some cases, the DDI framework performs the byte swapping using a software approach. In other cases, where byte swapping can be done by hardware (as in



MMU page-level swapping or by special machine instructions), the DDI framework will take advantage of the hardware features to improve performance.

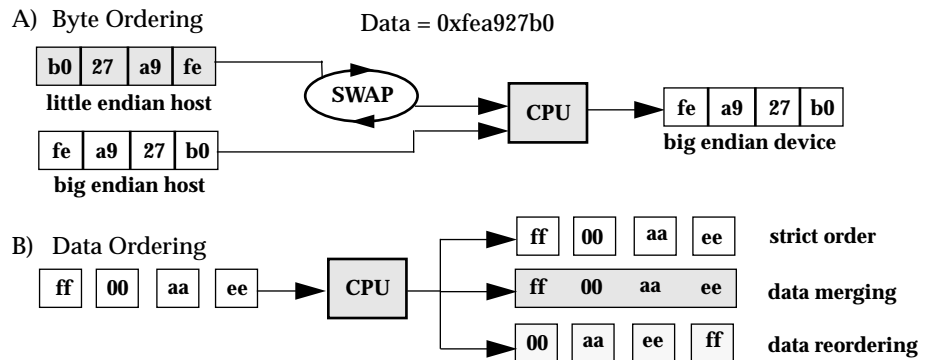


Figure 2-6 Byte ordering and data ordering host bus dependencies

Along with being endian-neutral, portable drivers must also be independent from data ordering of the processor. Under most circumstances, data must be transferred in the sequence instructed by the driver. However, sometimes data can be merged, batched or reordered to streamline the data transfer, as illustrated in Figure 3B (Data Ordering). For example, data merging may be applied to accelerate graphics display on frame buffers. Drivers have the option to advise the DDI environment to use other optimal data transfer mechanisms during the transfer.

## Device Component Representations

Device component (or device-related) information may be represented with a *name=value* pair notation called a *property*.

For example, a *reg* property is used to represent device registers and onboard memory. The *reg* property is a software abstraction that describes device hardware registers; its value encodes the device register address location and size. Drivers use the *reg* property to access device registers.

An *interrupt* property is a software abstraction used to represent the device interrupt; its value encodes the device interrupt pin number.

## *The PROM on SPARC Machines*

Some platforms have a PROM monitor that provides support for debugging a device without an operating system. This section describes how to use the PROM on SPARC machines to map device registers so that they can be accessed. Usually, the device can be exercised enough with PROM commands to determine if the device is working correctly.

The PROM has several purposes; it serves to:

- Bring the machine up from power on, or from a hard reset PROM `reset` command.
- Provide an interactive tool for examining and setting memory, device registers, and memory mappings.
- Boot SunOS or the kernel debugger `kadb(1M)`.

Simply powering up the computer and attempting to use its PROM to examine device registers will likely fail. While the device may be correctly installed, those mappings are SunOS specific and do not become active until SunOS is booted. Upon power up, the PROM maps only essential system devices, such as the keyboard.

Examples in this section use a *bwtwo* (monochrome) frame buffer on a SPARCstation IPC. Using PROM commands to modify video memory on this frame buffer provides a visual indication that something is happening when PROM commands are executed.

### *Open Boot PROM 2.x*

For complete documentation on the Open Boot PROM, see the *Open Boot PROM Toolkit User's Guide* and `monitor(1M)`. The examples in this section refer to a Sun-4c; other architectures may require new commands to map memory, among other things.

The Open Boot PROM is currently used on Sun machines with an SBus. The Open Boot PROM uses an “ok” prompt rather than the “>” prompt used by SunMon. However, many Open Boot PROM machines present the old-style interface by default. The ‘n’ command switches an OBP from the old mode to the new mode.

```
Type b (boot), c (continue), or n (new command mode)
>n
Type help for more information
ok
```

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**Note** – If the PROM is in *secure mode* (the `security-mode` parameter is not set to *none*) the PROM password may be required (set in the `security-password` parameter).

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The `printenv` command displays all parameters and their values.

## *Help*

Help is available with the `help` command.

## *History*

EMACS-style command-line history is available. Use Control-N (next) and Control-P (previous) to walk the history list.

## *Forth Commands*

The Open Boot PROM uses the Forth programming language. This is a stack-based language; arguments must be pushed on the stack before running the desired command (called a *word*), and the result is left on the stack.

To place a number on the stack, type its value.

```
ok 57
ok 68
```

To add the two top values on the stack, use the `+` operator.

```
ok +
```

The result is left on the stack. The stack is shown with the `.s` word.

```
ok .s  
bf
```

The default base is hexadecimal. The `hex` and `decimal` words can be used to switch bases.

```
ok decimal  
ok .s  
191
```

See the *Forth User's Guide* for more information.

### *Walking the PROMs Device Tree*

The SunOS-like commands `pwd`, `cd`, and `ls` walk the PROM device tree to get to the device. The `cd` command must be used to establish a position in the tree before `pwd` will work. This example is from a SPARCstation IPC.

```
ok cd /
```

To see the devices attached to the current node in the tree, use `ls`.

```
ok ls
ffec8760 options
ffec5ce0 fd@1,f7200000
ffebab64 virtual-memory@0,0
ffeba958 memory@0,0
ffeb9084 sbus@1,f8000000
ffeb9020 auxiliary-io@1,f7400003
ffeb8fb8 interrupt-enable@1,f5000000
ffeb8f54 memory-error@1,f4000000
ffeb8ed0 counter-timer@1,f3000000
ffeb8e5c eeprom@1,f2000000
ffeb8de8 audio@1,f7201000
ffeb8cf8 zs@1,f0000000
ffeb8c54 zs@1,f1000000
ffeb8c04 openprom
ffeb7b5c packages
```

The full node name can be used:

```
ok cd sbus@1,f8000000
ok ls
ffecd450 bwtwo@3,0
ffecc2f0 le@0,c00000
ffec9b38 esp@0,800000
ffec9af4 dma@0,400000
```

Rather than using the full node name in the previous example, you could have used an abbreviation. The abbreviated command line entry looks like this:

```
ok cd sbus
```

The name is actually *device@slot,offset* (for SBus devices). The *bwtwo* device is in slot 3 and starts at offset 0. If an SBus device shows up in this tree, the device has been recognized by the PROM.

The `.attributes` command displays the PROM properties of a device. These can be examined to determine what properties the device exports (this is useful later to ensure that the driver is looking for the correct hardware properties). These are the same properties that can be retrieved with `ddi_getprop(9F)`. See `sbus(4)` and “Properties” on page 69 for related information.

```
ok cd bwtwo
ok .attributes
monitor-sense      00 00 00 03
intr               00 00 00 07 00 00 00 00
reg                00 00 00 03 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 00
device_type        display
model              SUNW,501-1561
...
```

The `reg` property defines an array of register description structures, containing the following fields:

```
u_int  bustype;          /* cookie for related bus type*/
u_int  addr;             /* address of reg relative to bus */
u_int  size;             /* size of this register set */
```

For the `bwtwo` example, the address is 0.

### Mapping the Device

To test the device, it must be mapped into memory. The PROM can then be used to verify proper operation of the device by using data-transfer commands to transfer bytes, words, and long words. If the device can be operated from the PROM, even in a limited way, the driver should also be able to operate the device.

To set up the device for initial testing perform the following three steps:

1. Determine the physical address of the SBus slot the device is in. Table 2-8 displays the physical addresses of various SBus slots on a SPARCstation 1 and SPARCstation 1+:

Table 2-8 SBus physical addresses

SBus Slot Number	Physical Address Space
SBus slot #0	0 (internal slot)
SBus slot #1	0x2000000
SBus slot #2	0x4000000
SBus slot #3	0x6000000

In this example, the *bwtwo* device is located in slot 3. Consequently, the physical address space for the device is 0x6000000.

2. Determine the offset within the physical address space used by the device.

The offset used is specific to the device. In the *bwtwo* example, the video memory happens to start at offset 0x800000 within the *bwtwo* space. As a result, the actual offset to be mapped is 0x6800000.

3. Use the `map-sbus` word to map the device in.

The `map-sbus` word takes an *offset* and a *size* as arguments to map. Like the offset, the size of the byte transfer is specific to the device. In the *bwtwo* example, the size is set to 20000 bytes.

In the code example below, the offset and size values for the frame buffer are displayed as arguments to the `map-sbus` word. Notice that the virtual address to use is left on top of the stack. The stack is then shown using the `.s` word. It can be assigned a name with the `constant` operation.

```
ok 6800000 20000 map-sbus
ok .s
ffe7f000
ok constant fb
```

## Reading and Writing

The PROM provides a variety of 8-bit, 16-bit, and 32-bit operations. In general, a `c` (character) prefix indicates an 8-bit (one byte) operation; a `w` (word) prefix indicates a 16-bit (two byte) operation; and an `L` (longword) prefix indicates a 32-bit (four byte) operation.

A suffix of `!` is used to indicate a write operation. The write operation takes the first two items off the stack; the first item is the address, and the second item is the value.

```
ok 55 ffe8000 c!
```

A suffix of `@` is used to indicate a read operation. The read operation takes one argument (the address) off the stack.

```
ok ffe80000 c@  
ok .s  
77
```

A suffix of `?` is used to display the value, without affecting the stack.

```
ok ffe80000 c?  
77
```



Be careful when trying to query the device. If the mappings are not set up correctly, trying to read or write could cause errors. There are special words provided to handle these cases. `cprobe`, `wprobe`, and `lprobe`, for example, read from the given address but return zero if the location does not respond, or nonzero if it does.

```
ok ffee0000 c@
Data Access Exception
ok ffee0000 cprobe
ok .s
0
ok ffe80000 cprobe
ok .s
0 ffffffff
```

A region of memory can be shown with the `dump` word. This takes an *address* and a *length*, and displays the contents of the memory region in bytes.

In the following example the `fill` word is used to fill video memory with a pattern. `fill` takes the address, the number of bytes to fill, and the byte to use (there is also a `wfill` and an `Lfill` for words and longwords). This causes the *bwtwo* to display simple patterns based on the byte passed.

```
ok 6800000 20000 map-sbus
ok constant fb
ok fb 20000 ff fill
ok fb 20000 0 fill
ok fb 18000 55 fill
ok fb 15000 3 fill
ok fb 10000 5 fill
ok fb 5000 f9 fill
```

## *Interrupts*

Certain machine-specific interrupt levels are ignored when the Open Boot PROM controls the machine.



## Overview of SunOS Device Drivers

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This chapter gives an overview of SunOS device drivers. It discusses what a device driver is and the types of device drivers that Solaris 2.5 supports. It also provides a general discussion of the routines that device drivers must implement and points out compiler-related issues.

### *What is a Device Driver?*

A *device driver* is a kernel module containing subroutines and data responsible for managing low-level I/O operations for a particular hardware device. Device drivers can also be software-only, emulating a device that exists only in software, such as a RAM disk or a pseudo-terminal. Such device drivers are called pseudo device drivers and cannot perform functions requiring hardware (such as DMA).

A device driver contains all the device-specific code necessary to communicate with a device and provides a standard I/O interface to the rest of the system. This interface protects the kernel from device specifics just as the system call interface protects application programs from platform specifics. Application programs and the rest of the kernel need little (if any) device-specific code to address the device. In this way, device drivers make the system more portable and easier to maintain.

## *Types of Device Drivers*

There are several kinds of device drivers, each handling a different kind of I/O. Block device drivers manage devices with physically addressable storage media, such as disks. All other devices are considered character devices. There are two types of character device drivers: standard character device drivers and STREAMS device drivers.

### *Block Device Drivers*

Devices that support a file system are known as *block devices*. Drivers written for these devices are known as block device drivers. Block device drivers take a file system request (in the form of a `buf(9S)` structure) and make the device transfer the specified block. The main interface to the file system is the `strategy(9E)` routine. See Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices” for more information.

Block device drivers can also provide a character driver interface that allows utility programs to bypass the file system and access the device directly. This device access is commonly referred to as the *raw* interface to a block device.

### *Standard Character Device Drivers*

Character device drivers normally perform I/O in a byte stream. They can also provide additional interfaces not present in block drivers, such as I/O control (`ioctl(9E)`) commands, memory mapping, and device polling. See Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices” for more information.

#### *Byte-Stream I/O*

The main job of any device driver is to perform I/O, and many character device drivers do what is called *bytestream* or *character* I/O. The driver transfers data to and from the device without using a specific device address. This is in contrast to block device drivers, where part of the file system request identifies a specific location on the device.

The `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` entry points handle bytestream I/O for standard character drivers. See “I/O Request Handling” on page 167 for more information.

## *I/O Control*

Many devices have characteristics and behavior that can be configured or tuned. The `ioctl(2)` system call and the `ioctl(9E)` driver entry point provide a mechanism for application programs to change and determine the status of a driver's configurable characteristics. The baud rate of a serial communications port, for example, is usually configurable in this way.

The I/O control interface is open ended, allowing device drivers to define special commands for the device. The definition of the commands is entirely up to the driver and is restricted only by the requirements of the application programs using the device and the device itself.

Certain classes of devices such as frame buffers or disks must support standard sets of I/O control requests. These standard I/O control interfaces are documented in the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*. For example, `fbio(7I)` documents the I/O controls that frame buffers must support, and `dkio(7I)` documents standard disk I/O controls. See “Miscellaneous I/O Control” on page 183 for more information on I/O control.

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**Note** – The I/O control commands are not covered in this manual.

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## *Memory Mapping*

For certain devices, such as frame buffers, it is more efficient for application programs to have direct access to device memory. Applications can map device memory into their address spaces using the `mmap(2)` system call. To support memory mapping, device drivers implement `segmap(9E)` and `mmap(9E)` entry points. See Chapter 10, “Device Context Management” for details.

Drivers that define an `mmap(9E)` entry point usually do not define `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` entry points, since application programs perform I/O directly to the devices after calling `mmap(2)`. See Chapter 10, “Device Context Management”, for more information on I/O control.

## *Device Polling*

The `poll(2)` system call allows application programs to monitor or *poll* a set of file descriptors for certain conditions or *events*. `poll(2)` is used to find out whether data are available to be read from the file descriptors or whether data

may be written to the file descriptors without delay. Drivers referred to by these file descriptors must provide support for the `poll(2)` system call by implementing a `chpoll(9E)` entry point.

Drivers for communication devices such as serial ports should support polling since they are used by applications that require synchronous notification of changes in read and write status. Many communications devices, however, are better implemented as STREAMS drivers.

## *STREAMS Drivers*

STREAMS is a separate programming model for writing a character driver. Devices that receive data asynchronously (such as terminal and network devices) are suited to a STREAMS implementation. STREAMS device drivers must provide the loading and autoconfiguration support described in Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration.” See the *STREAMS Programming Guide* for additional information on how to write STREAMS drivers.

## *Bus Address Spaces*

### *Overview*

There are three types of bus address space: memory space, I/O space and configuration space. The device driver usually accesses memory space through memory mapping and I/O space through I/O ports. The Configuration address space is accessed primarily during system initialization.

The preferred method depends on the device; it is generally not software-configurable. For example, SBus and VMEbus devices do not provide I/O ports or Configuration space, but some PCI devices may provide all three.

The data format of the host may also have different endian characteristics than the data format of the device. If this is the case, data transferred between the host and the device needs to be byte swapped to conform to the data format requirements of the destination location. Other devices may have the same endian characteristics as their host. In this case, no byte swapping is required. The DDI framework performs any required byte swapping on behalf of the driver. The driver simply needs to specify the endianness of the device to the framework.

## Address Mapping Setup

The bus address spaces must first be set up using `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)`. The device can then be accessed by passing the mapping address base returned from `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` to one of the `ddi_getb(9F)` or `ddi_putb(9F)` family of routines.

One of the arguments required by `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` is a pointer to a device access attributes structure, `ddi_device_acc_attr(9S)`. The `ddi_device_acc_attr(9S)` structure describes the data access characteristics and requirements of the device. The `ddi_device_acc_attr(9S)` structure contains the following members:

```
typedef struct ddi_device_acc_attr {
    ushort_t    devacc_attr_version;
    uchar_t     devacc_attr_endian_flags;
    uchar_t     devacc_attr_dataorder;
} ddi_device_acc_attr_t;
```

`devacc_attr_version` member identifies the version number of this structure. The current version number is: `DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0`.

`devacc_attr_endian_flags` member describes the endian characteristics of the device. If `DDI_NEVERSWAP_ACC` is set, data access with no byte swapping is indicated. This flag should be set when no byte swapping is required. For example, if a device does byte stream I/O, no byte swapping is required. If `DDI_STRUCTURE_BE_ACC` is set, the device data format is big endian. If `DDI_STRUCTURE_LE_ACC` is set, the device data format is little endian.

The framework will do any required byte swapping on behalf of the driver based on the flags indicated in `devacc_attr_endian_flags` and the host's data format endian characteristics.

`devacc_attr_dataorder` describes the order in which the CPU will reference data. Certain hosts may load/store data in certain orders to pipeline performance. The data ordering may be programmed to execute in one of the following five ways:

- Strong data ordering

If `DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC` is set, the CPU must issue the references in order, as specified by the programmer. This is the default behavior.

- Reordering

If `DDI_UNORDERED_OK_ACC` is set, the CPU may recorder the data reference. This includes all kinds of reordering (i.e. a load followed by a store may be replaced by a store followed by a load).

- Data merging

If `DDI_MERGING_OK_ACC` is set, the CPU may merge individual stores to consecutive locations. For example, the CPU may turn two consecutive byte stores into one halfword store. It may also batch individual loads. For example, the CPU may turn two consecutive byte loads into one halfword load. `DDI_MERGING_OK_ACC` also implies reordering.

- Cache loading

If `DDI_LOADCACHING_OK_ACC` is set, the CPU may cache the data it fetches and reuse it until another store occurs. The default behavior is to fetch new data on every load. `DDI_LOADCACHING_OK_ACC` also implies merging and reordering.

- Cache storing

If `DDI_STORECACHING_OK_ACC` is set, the CPU may keep the data in the cache and push it to the device (perhaps with other data) at a later time. The default behavior is to push the data right away. `DDI_STORECACHING_OK_ACC` also implies load caching, merging, and reordering.

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**Note** – The restriction to the hosts diminishes while moving from strong data ordering to cache storing in terms of data accesses by the driver.

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The values assigned to `devacc_attr_dataorder` are advisory, not mandatory. For example, data can be ordered without being merged or cached, even though a driver requests unordered, merged and cached together.

A driver for a big-endian device that requires strict data ordering during data accesses would encode the `ddi_device_acc_attr` structure as follows:

```
static ddi_device_acc_attr_t access_attr = {
    DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0, /* version number */
    DDI_STRUCTURE_BE_ACC, /* big endian */
    DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC /* strict ordering */
}
```



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The system will use the information stored in the `ddi_device_acc_attr` structure and other system specific information to encode an opaque data handle as one of the returned parameters from `ddi_map_regs_setup(9F)`. The returned data handle is used as a parameter to the data access routines (such as `ddi_putb(9F)`, `ddi_getb(9F)`) during subsequent accesses to the mapped registers. The driver must never attempt to interpret the contents of the data handle.

If successful, `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` also returns a bus address base. The address base may be used as a base reference address in deriving the effective address of other registers by adding the appropriate offset.

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**Note** – Drivers should not directly dereference the returned address base. A driver must access the device through one of the data access functions (such as `ddi_putb(9F)`, `ddi_getb(9F)`).

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## *Data Access Functions*

Data access functions allow drivers to transfer data to and from devices without directly referencing the hardware registers.

`ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` creates a bus address space mapping for the device register set. The driver then transfers data to (or receives data from) the device using the desired family of data access routines — such as the `ddi_putb(9F)` or the `ddi_getb(9F)` family of routines — to access the mapped registers. See Appendix B, “Interface Transition List” for more information on data access functions

The `ddi_putb(9F)` family of routines allow a driver to write data to the device. These routines allow a driver to write data in quantities of 8 bits (`ddi_putb(9F)`), 16 bits (`ddi_putw(9F)`), 32 bits (`ddi_putl(9F)`), and 64 bits (`ddi_putll(9F)`). A similar set of functions (the `ddi_getb(9F)` family) exists for reading from a device. Multiple values may be written or read by using the `ddi_rep_putb(9F)` or `ddi_rep_getb(9F)` family of routines, respectively.

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**Note** – These routines may be applied to any address base returned from `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` regardless of the address space the register resides in (such as Memory, I/O, or Configuration space).

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The use of `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` and `ddi_putb(9F)` to access device registers is illustrated below.

*Code Example 3-1* Accessing device registers

```
static ddi_device_acc_attr_t access_attr = {
    DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0, /* version number */
    DDI_STRUCTURE_BE_ACC, /* big endian */
    DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC /* strict ordering */
}

volatile caddr_t reg_addr;
ddi_acc_handle_t data_access_handle;

ddi_regs_map_setup(..., &reg_addr, ..., &access_attr,
    &data_access_handle);
```

When `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` returns, `reg_addr` contains the address base and `data_access_handle` contains the opaque data handle to be used in subsequent data accesses.

The driver may now access the mapped registers. The following example writes one byte to the first mapped location.

```
ddi_putb(data_access_handle, (uchar_t *) reg_addr, 0x10);
```

Similarly, `ddi_getb(9F)` could have been used to read data from the mapped device registers.

### *Memory Space Access*

In memory mapped access, device registers appear in memory address space and are treated as normal memory. The driver must call `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` to set up the mapping. The device registers can then be accessed using one of the `ddi_putb(9F)` or `ddi_getb(9F)` family of routines.

Memory space may also be accessed using the `ddi_mem_putb(9F)` and `ddi_mem_getb(9F)` family of routines. These functions may be more efficient on some platforms. Use of these routines, however, may limit the ability of the driver to remain portable across different bus versions of the device.

### *I/O Space Access*

In I/O space access, the device registers appear in I/O space. Each addressable element of the I/O address is called an I/O port. Device registers are accessed through I/O port numbers. These port numbers can refer to 8, 16, or 32-bit registers. The driver must call `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` to set up the mapping. The I/O port can then be accessed using one of the `ddi_putb(9F)` or `ddi_getb(9F)` family of routines.

I/O space may also be accessed using the `ddi_io_putb(9F)` and `ddi_io_getb(9F)` family of routines. These functions may be more efficient on some platforms. Use of these routines, however, may limit the ability of the driver to remain portable across different bus versions of the device.

### *Configuration Space Access*

Configuration space is used primarily during device initialization. It is used to determine the location and size of register sets and memory buffers located on the device. The configuration space may be accessed using the `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` and `ddi_putb(9F)/ddi_getb(9F)` functions as described above.

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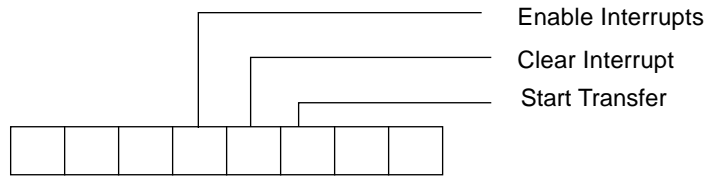
**Note** – For PCI local bus devices, an alternative set of routines exist. `pci_config_setup(9F)` may be used in place of `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` to configure access to the Configuration address space. The family of routines `pci_config_getb(9F)` and `pci_config_putb(9F)` may be used in place of the generic routines `ddi_getb(9F)` and `ddi_putb(9F)`. These functions provide equivalent Configuration space access as defined in the PCI bus binding for the IEEE 1275 specifications for FCode drivers. However, use of these routines may limit the ability of the driver to remain portable across different bus versions of the device.

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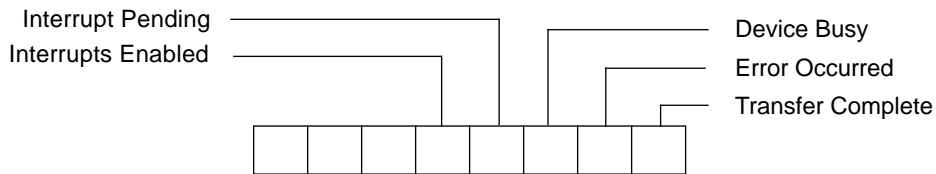
### *Example Device Registers*

Most of the examples in this manual use a fictitious device that has an 8-bit command/status register (csr), followed by an 8-bit data register. The command/status register is so called because writes to it go to an internal command register, and reads from it are directed to an internal status register.

The *command register* looks like this:



The *status register* looks like this:



Many drivers provide macros for the various bits in their registers to make the code more readable. The examples in this manual use the following names for the bits in the command register:

```
#define ENABLE_INTERRUPTS      0x10
#define CLEAR_INTERRUPT       0x08
#define START_TRANSFER        0x04
```

For the bits in the status register, the following macros are used:

```
#define INTERRUPTS_ENABLED    0x10
#define INTERRUPTING          0x08
#define DEVICE_BUSY           0x04
#define DEVICE_ERROR          0x02
#define TRANSFER_COMPLETE     0x01
```

## *Device Register Structure*

Using pointer accesses to communicate with the device results in unreadable code. For example, the code that reads the data register when a transfer has completed might look like this:

```
uchar_t data;
uchar_t status;
/* get status */
status = ddi_getb(data_access_handle, (uchar_t *) reg_addr);
if (status & TRANSFER_COMPLETE) {
```

```
        data = ddi_getb(data_access_handle,
            (uchar_t *) reg_addr + 1); /* read data */
    }
```

To make the code more readable, it is common to define a structure that matches the layout of the devices registers. In this case, the structure could look like this:

```
struct device_reg {
    volatile uchar_t csr;
    volatile uchar_t data;
};
```

The driver then maps the registers into memory and refers to them through a pointer to the structure:

```
struct device_reg *regp;
...
ddi_regs_map_setup(..., (caddr_t *)&regp, ... ,
    &access_attributes, &data_access_handle);
...
```

The code that reads the data register upon a completed transfer now looks like this:

```
uchar_t data;
uchar_t status;
/* get status */
status = ddi_getb(data_access_handle, &regp->csr);
if (status & TRANSFER_COMPLETE) {
    /* read data */
    data = ddi_getb(data_access_handle, &regp->data); }
}
```

### *Structure Padding*

A device that has a one-byte command/status register followed by a four-byte data register might lead to the following structure layout:

```
struct device_reg {
    uchar_t    csr;
    uint_t    data;
};
```

This structure is *not* correct, because the compiler places *padding* between the two fields. For example, the SPARC processor requires each type to be on its natural boundary, which is byte-alignment for the `csr` field, but four-byte alignment for the `data` field. This results in three unused bytes between the two fields. When the driver accesses a data register, it will be three bytes off. Consequently, this structure should *not* be used.

### ***Finding Padding***

The ANSI C `offsetof(3C)` macro may be used in a test program to determine the offset of each element in the structure. Knowing the offset and the size of each element, the location and size of any padding can be determined.

#### *Code Example 3-2* Structure padding

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stddef.h>

struct device_reg {
    uchar_t    csr;
    uint_t    data;
};

int main(void)
{
    printf("The offset of csr is %d, its size is %d.\n",
        offsetof(struct device_reg, csr), sizeof (u_char));
    printf("The offset of data is %d, its size is %d.\n",
        offsetof(struct device_reg, data), sizeof (u_int));
    return (0);
}
```

Here is a sample compilation with SPARCCompilers 2.0.1 and a subsequent run of the program:

```
test% cc -Xa c.c
test% a.out
The offset of csr is 0, its size is 1.
The offset of data is 4, its size is 4.
```

Driver developers should be aware that padding is dependent not only on the processor but also on the compiler.

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## Driver Interfaces

The kernel expects device drivers to provide certain routines that must perform certain operations; these routines are called *entry points*. This is similar to the requirement that application programs have a `_start()` entry point or that C applications have the more familiar `main()` routine.

### Entry Points

Each device driver defines a standard set of functions called *entry points*, which are defined in the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*. Drivers for different types of devices have different sets of entry points according to the kinds of operations the devices perform. A driver for a memory-mapped character-oriented device, for example, supports an `mmap(9E)` entry point, while a block driver does not.

Some operations are common to all drivers, such as the functions that are required for module loading (`_init(9E)`, `_info(9E)`, and `_fini(9E)`), and the required autoconfiguration entry points `identify(9E)`, `attach(9E)`, and `getinfo(9E)`. Drivers may also support the optional autoconfiguration entry points for `probe(E)` and `detach(9E)`. All device drivers must support the entry point `getinfo(9E)`. Most drivers have `open(9E)` and `close(9E)` entry points to control access to their devices. See Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices,” Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices,” and Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration,” for details about these entry points.

Traditionally, all driver function and variable names have some prefix added to them. Usually, this is the name of the driver, such as `xxopen()` for the `open(9E)` routine of driver `xx`. In subsequent examples, `xx` is used as the driver prefix.

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**Note** – In SunOS 5.x, only the loadable module routines must be visible outside the driver object module. Everything else can have the storage class `static`.

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### Loadable Module Routines

```
int _init(void);
int _info(struct modinfo *modinfop);
int _fini(void);
```

All drivers must implement the `_init(9E)`, `_fini(9E)` and `_info(9E)` entry points to load, unload and report information about the driver module. The driver is single-threaded when the kernel calls `_init`. No other thread will enter a driver routine until `mod_install(9F)` returns success.

Any resources global to the device driver should be allocated in `_init(9E)` before calling `mod_install(9F)` and should be released in `_fini(9E)` after calling `mod_remove(9F)`.

These routines have kernel context.

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**Note** – Drivers *must* use these names, and they must *not* be declared `static`, unlike the other entry points where the names and storage classes are up to the driver.

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### *Autoconfiguration Routines*

```
static int xxidentify(dev_info_t *dip);
static int xxprobe(dev_info_t *dip);
static int xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd);
static int xxdetach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd);
static int xxgetinfo(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_info_cmd_t infocmd,
                    void *arg, void **result);
```

The driver is single-threaded on a per-device basis when the kernel calls these routines, with the exception of `getinfo(9E)`. The kernel may be in a multithreaded state when calling `getinfo(9E)`, which can occur at any time. No calls to `attach(9E)` will occur on the same device concurrently. However, calls to `attach(9E)` on different devices that the driver handles may occur concurrently.

Any per-device resources should be allocated in `attach(9E)` and released in `detach(9E)`. No resources global to the driver should be allocated in `attach(9E)`.

These routines have kernel context.

### *Block Driver Entry Points*

```
int xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp);
int xxclose(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp);
int xxstrategy(struct buf *bp);
```



```
int xxprint(dev_t dev, char *str);
int xxdump(dev_t dev, caddr_t addr, daddr_t blkno, int nblk);
int xxprop_op(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip, ddi_prop_op_t prop_op,
              int mod_flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep,
              int *length);
```

These routines have kernel context.

### *Character Driver Entry Points*

```
int xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp);
int xxclose(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp);
int xxread(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp);
int xxwrite(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp);
int xxioctl(dev_t dev, int cmd, int arg, int mode,
            cred_t *credp, int *rvalp);
int xxmmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot);
int xxsegmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, struct as *asp,
             caddr_t *addrp, off_t len, unsigned int prot,
             unsigned int maxprot, unsigned int flags,
             cred_t *credp);
int xxchpoll(dev_t dev, short events, int anyyet,
             short *reventsp, struct pollhead **phpp);
int xxprop_op(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
              ddi_prop_op_t prop_op, int mod_flags,
              char *name, caddr_t valuep, int *length);
int xxaread(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio, cred_t *credp);
int xxawrite(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio, cred_t *credp);
```

With the exception of `prop_op(9E)`, all these routines have user context. `prop_op(9E)` has kernel context.

## *Callback functions*

Some routines provide a *callback* mechanism. This is a way to schedule a function to be called when a condition is met. Typical conditions for which callback functions are set up include:

- When a transfer has completed
- When a resource *might* become available
- When a timeout period has expired

Transfer completion callbacks perform the tasks usually done in an interrupt service routine.

In some sense, callback functions are similar to entry points. The functions that allow callbacks expect the callback function do to certain things. In the case of DMA routines, a callback function must return a value indicating whether the callback function wants to be rescheduled in case of a failure.

Callback functions execute as a separate thread. They must consider all the usual multithreading issues.

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**Note** – All scheduled callback functions must be canceled before a device is detached.

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## *Interrupt Handling*

The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI addresses these aspects of device interrupt handling:

- Registering device interrupts with the system
- Removing device interrupts from the system

Interrupt information is contained in a property called *interrupts* (or *intr* on x86 platforms, see *isa(4)*), which is either provided by the PROM of a self-identifying device or in a hardware configuration file. See *sbus(4)*, *vme(4)*, *pci(4)* and “Properties” on page 69 for more information.

Since the internal implementation of interrupts is an architectural detail, special *interrupt cookies* are used to allow drivers to perform interrupt-related tasks. The types of cookies for interrupts are:

- Device interrupt cookies
- Block interrupt cookies

### *Device-Interrupt Cookies*

Defined as type `ddi_idevice_cookie_t`, this cookie is a data structure containing information used by a driver to program the interrupt-request level (or the equivalent) for a programmable device. See `ddi_add_intr(9F)`, `ddi_idevice_cookie(9S)` and “Registering Interrupts Overview” on page 107 for more information.

### ***Interrupt-Block Cookies***

Defined as type `ddi_iblock_cookie_t` this cookie is used by a driver to initialize the mutual exclusion locks it uses to protect data. This cookie should not be interpreted by the driver in any way. See `ddi_get_iblock_cookie(9F)` in the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook* for more information.

## ***Driver Context***

There are four contexts in which driver code executes:

- user
- kernel
- interrupt
- high-level interrupt

The following sections point out the context in which driver code can execute. The driver context determines which kernel routines the driver is permitted to call. For example, in kernel context the driver must not call `copyin(9F)`. The manual pages in section 9F document the allowable contexts for each function.

### ***User Context***

A driver entry point has *user context* if it was directly invoked because of a user thread. The `read(9E)` entry point of the driver, invoked by a `read(2)` system call, has user context.

### ***Kernel Context***

A driver function has *kernel context* if was invoked by some other part of the kernel. In a block device driver, the `strategy(9E)` entry point may be called by the pageout daemon to write pages to the device. Since the page daemon has no relation to the current user thread, `strategy(9E)` has kernel context in this case.

### ***Interrupt Context***

*Interrupt context* is a more restrictive form of kernel context. Driver interrupt routines operate in interrupt context and have an interrupt level associated with them. See Chapter 6, “Interrupt Handlers” for more information.

### ***High-level Interrupt Context***

*High-level interrupt context* is a more restricted form of interrupt context. If `ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)` indicates that an interrupt is high-level, driver interrupt routines added for that interrupt with `ddi_add_intr(9F)` run in high-level interrupt context. See “Handling High-Level Interrupts” on page 124 for more information.

## ***Printing Messages***

Device drivers do not usually print messages. Instead, the entry points should return error codes so that the application can determine how to handle the error. If the driver really needs to print a message, it can use `cmn_err(9F)` to do so. This is similar to the C function `printf(3S)`, but only prints to the console, to the message buffer displayed by `dmesg(1M)`, or both.

```
void cmn_err(int level, char *format, ...);
```

`format` is similar to the `printf(3S)` format string, with the addition of the format `%b` which prints bit fields. `level` indicates what label will be printed:

```
CE_NOTE    NOTICE: format\n
CE_WARN    WARNING:format\n
CE_CONT    format
CE_PANIC   panic: format\n
```

`CE_PANIC` has the side-effect of crashing the system. This level should only be used if the system is in such an unstable state that to continue would cause more problems. It can also be used to get a system core dump when debugging.

The first character of the format string is treated specially. See `cmn_err(9F)` for more detail.

## ***Dynamic Memory Allocation***

Device drivers must be prepared to simultaneously handle all attached devices that they claim to drive. There should be no driver limit on the number of devices that the driver handles, and all per-device information must be dynamically allocated.

```
void *kmem_alloc(size_t size, int flag);
```

The standard kernel memory allocation routine is `kmem_alloc(9F)`. It is similar to the C library routine `malloc(3C)`, with the addition of the `flag` argument. The `flag` argument can be either `KM_SLEEP` or `KM_NOSLEEP`, indicating whether the caller is willing to block if the requested size is not available. If `KM_NOSLEEP` is set, and memory is not available, `kmem_alloc(9F)` returns `NULL`.

`kmem_zalloc(9F)` is similar to `kmem_alloc(9F)`, but also clears the contents of the allocated memory.

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**Note** – Kernel memory is a limited resource, not pageable, and competes with user applications and the rest of the kernel for physical memory. Drivers that allocate a large amount of kernel memory may cause application performance to degrade.

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```
void kmem_free(void *cp, size_t size);
```

Memory allocated by `kmem_alloc(9F)` or by `kmem_zalloc(9F)` is returned to the system with `kmem_free(9F)`. This is similar to the C library routine `free(3C)`, with the addition of the `size` argument. Drivers *must* keep track of the size of each object they allocate in order to call `kmem_free(9F)` later.

## Software State Management

### State Structure

For each device that the driver handles, the driver must keep some state information. At the minimum, this consists of a pointer to the `dev_info` node for the device (required by `getinfo(9E)`). The driver can define a structure that contains all the information needed about a single device:

```
struct xxstate {
    dev_info_t *dip;
};
```

This structure will grow as the device driver evolves. Additional useful fields might be:

- A pointer to each of the devices mapped registers

- Flags (such as *busy*)

The initial state structure the examples in this book use is given in Code Example 3-3:

*Code Example 3-3* Initial State Structure

```
struct xxstate {
    dev_info_t *dip;
    struct device_reg *regp;
};
```

Subsequent chapters may require new fields. Each chapter will list any additions to the state structure.

## *State Management Routines*

To assist device driver writers in allocating state structures, the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI provides a set of memory management routines called the *software state routines* (also known as the *soft state routines*). These routines dynamically allocate, retrieve, and destroy memory items of a specified size, and hide all the details of list management in a multithreaded kernel. An *item number* is used to identify the desired memory item; this can be (and usually is) the instance number assigned by the system.

The driver must provide a *state* pointer, which is used by the soft state system to create the list of memory items:

```
static void *statep;
```

Routines are provided to:

- Initialize the provided state pointer - `ddi_soft_state_init(9F)`
- Allocate space for a certain item - `ddi_soft_state_zalloc(9F)`
- Retrieve a pointer to the indicated item - `ddi_get_soft_state(9F)`
- Free the memory item - `ddi_soft_state_free(9F)`
- Finish using the state pointer - `ddi_soft_state_fini(9F)`

When the module is loaded, the driver calls `ddi_soft_state_init(9F)` to initialize the driver state pointer, passing a hint indicating how many items to pre-allocate. If more items are needed, they will be allocated as necessary. The driver must call `ddi_soft_state_fini(9F)` when the driver is unloaded.

To allocate an instance of the soft state structure, the driver calls `ddi_soft_state_zalloc(9F)`, then `ddi_get_soft_state(9F)` to retrieve a pointer to the allocated structure. This is usually performed when the device is attached, and the inverse operation, `ddi_soft_state_free(9F)`, is performed when the device is detached.

Once the item is allocated, the driver only needs to call `ddi_get_soft_state(9F)` to retrieve the pointer.

See “Loadable Driver Interface” on page 98 for an example use of these routines.

## Properties

*Properties* define arbitrary characteristics of the device or device driver. Properties may be defined by the FCode of a self-identifying device, by a hardware configuration file (see `driver.conf(4)`), or by the driver itself using the `ddi_prop_update(9F)` family of routines.

A property is a name-value pair. The name is a string that identifies the property with an associated value. Examples of properties are the height and width of a frame buffer, or the number of blocks in a partition of a block device or the name of a device. The value of a property may be one of five types:

- A byte array that has an arbitrary length and whose value is a series of bytes.
- An integer property whose value is an integer.
- An integer array property whose value is a pointer to an array of integers.
- A string property whose value is a pointer to a NULL terminated string.
- A string array property whose value is a NULL-terminated array of pointers to NULL-terminated strings

A property that has no value is known as a Boolean property. It is considered to be true if it exists and false if it doesn't.

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**Note** – Strictly speaking, DDI/DKI software property names are not restricted in any way; however, there are certain recommended uses. As defined in IEEE 1275-1994 (the Standard for Boot Firmware), a property "is a human readable text string consisting of one to thirty-one printable characters. Property names *shall* not contain upper case characters or the characters `"/", "\", ":", "[", "]"` and

"@". Property names beginning with the character "+" are reserved for use by future revisions of IEEE 1275-1994." By convention, underscores are not used in property names; use a hyphen (-) instead. Also by convention, property names ending with the question mark character (auto-boot?) contain values that are strings, typically true or false.

A driver can request a property from its parent, which in turn may ask its parent. The driver can control whether the request can go higher than its parent.

For example, the "esp" driver maintains an integer property for each target called target x-sync-speed where "x" is the target number. The prtconf(1M) command in its verbose mode displays driver properties. The following example shows a partial listing for the "esp" driver:

```
test% prtconf -v
...
    esp, instance #0
        Driver software properties:
            name <target2-sync-speed> length <4>
            value <0x00000fa0>.
...
```

Several uses of property interfaces are displayed in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1 Property interface uses

Family	Property Interfaces	Description
ddi_prop_lookup	ddi_prop_exists(9F)	Looks up property and returns success if one exists. Returns failure if one does not exist.
	ddi_prop_get_int(9F)	Looks up and returns an integer property
	ddi_prop_lookup_int_array(9F)	Looks up and returns an integer array property
	ddi_prop_lookup_string(9F)	Looks up and returns a string property
	ddi_prop_lookup_string_array(9F)	Looks up and returns a string array property
	ddi_prop_lookup_byte_array(9F)	Looks up and returns a byte array property
ddi_prop_update		



Table 3-1 Property interface uses

Family	Property Interfaces	Description
	<code>ddi_prop_update_int(9F)</code>	Updates an integer property
	<code>ddi_prop_update_int_array(9F)</code>	Updates an integer array property
	<code>ddi_prop_update_string(9F)</code>	Updates a string property
	<code>ddi_prop_update_string_array(9F)</code>	Updates a string array property
	<code>ddi_prop_update_byte_array(9F)</code>	Updates a byte array property
<code>ddi_prop_remove</code>	<code>ddi_prop_remove(9F)</code>	Removes a property
	<code>ddi_prop_remove_all(9F)</code>	Removes all properties associated with a device.

```
prop_op( )
```

The `prop_op(9E)` entry point reports the values of device properties to the system. In many cases, the `ddi_prop_op(9F)` routine may be used as the driver's `prop_op(9E)` entry point in the `cb_ops(9S)` structure. `ddi_prop_op(9F)` performs all of the required processing and is sufficient for drivers that do not need to perform any special processing when handling a device property request.

However, there are cases when it is necessary for the driver to provide a `prop_op(9E)` entry point. For example, if a driver maintains a property whose value changes frequently, updating the property with `ddi_prop_update(9F)` each time it changes may not be efficient. Instead, the driver can maintain a local *copy* of the property in a C variable. The driver updates the C variable when the value of the property changes and does not call one of the `ddi_prop_update(9F)` routines. In this case, the `prop_op(9E)` entry point would need to intercept requests for this property and call one of the `ddi_prop_update(9F)` routines to update the value of the property before passing the request to `ddi_prop_op(9F)` to process the property request. See Code Example 3-4 on page 72.

Here is the `prop_op(9E)` prototype:

```
int xxprop_op(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
             ddi_prop_op_t prop_op, int flags, char *name,
             caddr_t valuep, int *lengthp);
```

This section describes a simple implementation of the `prop_op(9E)` routine that intercepts property requests then uses the existing software property routines to update property values. For a complete description of all the parameters to `prop_op(9E)`, see the manual page.

In Code Example 3-4, the `prop_op(9E)` intercepts requests for the temperature property. The driver updates a variable in the state structure whenever the property changes but only updates the property when a request is made. It then uses the system routine `ddi_prop_op(9F)` to process the property request. If the property request is not specific to a device, the driver does not intercept the request. This is indicated when the value of the `dev` parameter is equal to `DDI_DEV_T_ANY` (the wildcard device number).

### State Structure

This section adds the following field to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
int    temperature; /* current device temperature */
```

#### Code Example 3-4 `prop_op(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxprop_op(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip, ddi_prop_op_t prop_op,
int flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep, int *lengthp)
{
    int    instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    if (dev == DDI_DEV_T_ANY)
        goto skip;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (DDI_PROP_NOTFOUND);

    if (strcmp(name, "temperature") == 0) {
        ddi_prop_update_int(dev, dip, name, temperature);
    }
    other cases
skip:
    return (ddi_prop_op(dev, dip, prop_op, flags, name,
        valuep, lengthp));
}
```

## Driver Layout

Driver code is usually divided into the following files:

- Headers (.h files)
- Source files (.c files)
- Optional configuration file (`driver.conf` file)

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**Note** – These files represent a typical driver layout. They are not absolutely required for a driver, as only the final object module matters to the system.

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### Header Files

Header files define data structures specific to the device (such as a structure representing the device registers), data structures defined by the driver for maintaining state information, defined constants (such as those representing the bits of the device registers), and macros (such as those defining the static mapping between the minor device number and the instance number).

Some of this information, such as the state structure, may only be needed by the device driver. This information should go in *private* headers. These header files are only included by the device driver itself.

Any information that an application might require, such as the I/O control commands, should be in *public* header files. These are included by the driver and any applications that need information about the device.

There is no standard for naming private and public files. One possible convention is to name the private header file `xximpl.h` and the public header file `xxio.h`. See Appendix E, “Driver Code Layout Structure” for more information.

### *xx.c* Files

A .c file for a device driver contains the data declarations and the code for the entry points of the driver. It contains the `#include` statements the driver needs, declares `extern` references, declares local data, sets up the `cb_ops` and `dev_ops` structures, declares and initializes the module configuration section, makes any other necessary declarations, and defines the driver entry points. See Appendix E, “Driver Code Layout Structure” for more information.

## driver.conf Files

See driver.conf(4), sbus(4), pci(4). isa(4), eisa(4) and vme(4).

## Driver Structure Overview

Figure 3-1 shows data structures and routines that may define the structure of a character or block device driver. Such drivers typically include the following:

- Device loadable driver section
- Device configuration section
- Device access section

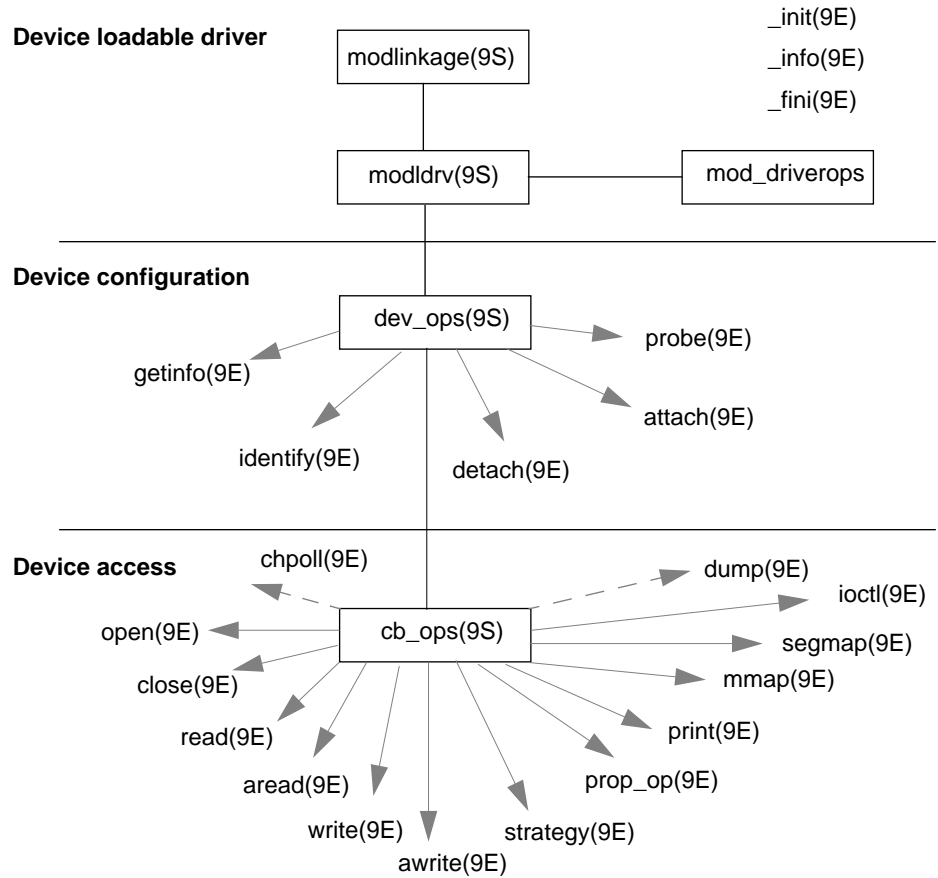


Figure 3-1 Device driver roadmap

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**Note** – The first two sections in Figure 3-1 are discussed in Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration”; the third section is discussed in Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices” and Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices”.

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## *The C Language and Compiler Modes*

The SPARCworks 2.0.1 and ProWorks 2.0.1 C compilers are ANSI C compilers. They support several compilation modes, a number of new keywords and function prototypes.

### *Compiler Modes*

The following compiler modes are of interest to driver writers:

#### *-Xt (Transition Mode)*

This mode accepts ANSI C and Sun C compatibility extensions. In case of a conflict between ANSI and Sun C, a warning is issued and Sun C semantics are used. This is the default mode.

#### *-Xa (ANSI C Mode)*

This mode accepts ANSI C and Sun C compatibility extensions. In case of a conflict between ANSI and Sun C, the compiler issues a warning and uses ANSI C interpretations. This will be the default mode in the future.

### *Function Prototypes*

Function prototypes specify the following information to the compiler:

- The type returned by the function
- The number of the arguments to the function
- The type of each argument

*Code Example 3-5* Function prototypes

```
static int
xxgetinfo(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_info_cmd_t cmd, void *arg,
          void **result)
```

```

{
    /* definition */
}
static int
xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
{
    /* definition */
}

```

This allows the compiler to do more type checking and also to promote the types of the parameters to the type expected by the function. For example, if the compiler knows a function takes a pointer, casting NULL to that pointer type is no longer necessary. Prototypes are provided for most Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI functions, provided the driver includes the proper header file (documented in the manual page for the function).

## *New Keywords*

There are a few new keywords available in ANSI C. The following keywords are of interest to driver writers:

`const`

The `const` keyword can be used to define constants instead of using `#define`:

```
const int count=5;
```

However, it is most useful when combined with function prototypes. Routines that should not be modifying parameters can define the parameters as constants, and the compiler will then give errors if the parameter is modified. Since C passes parameters by value, most parameters don't need to be declared as constants. If the parameter is a *pointer*, though, it can be declared to point to a constant object:

```
int strlen(const char *s)
{
    ...
}
```

Any attempt to change the string by `strlen()` is an error, and the compiler will now catch it.

## volatile

The correct use of `volatile` is necessary to prevent elusive bugs. It instructs the compiler to use exact semantics for the declared objects—in particular, do not optimize away or reorder accesses to the object. There are two instances where device drivers must use the `volatile` qualifier:

1. When data refers to an external hardware device register (memory that has side effects other than just storage)
2. When data refers to global memory that is accessible by more than one thread, is not protected by locks, and therefore is relying on the sequencing of memory accesses

In general, drivers should not qualify a variable as `volatile` if it is merely accessible by more than one thread and protected from conflicting access by synchronization routines.

Following is an example of the use of `volatile`. A busy flag is used to prevent a thread from continuing while the device is busy and the flag is not protected by a lock:

```
while (busy) {  
    do something else  
}
```

The testing thread will continue when another thread turns off the `busy` flag:

```
busy = 0;
```

However, since `busy` is accessed frequently in the testing thread, the compiler may optimize the test by placing the value of `busy` in a register, then test the contents of the register without reading the value of `busy` in memory before every test. The testing thread would never see `busy` change and the other thread would only change the value of `busy` in memory, resulting in deadlock. The `busy` flag should be declared `volatile`, forcing its value to be read before each test.

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**Note** – It would probably be preferable to use a condition variable mutex, discussed under “Condition Variables” on page 77 instead of the `busy` flag in this example.

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It is also recommended that the `volatile` qualifier be used in such a way as to avoid the risk of accidental omission. For example, this code

```
struct device_reg {
    volatile u_char csr;
    volatile u_char data;
};
struct device_reg *regp;
```

**is recommended over:**

```
struct device_reg {
    u_char csr;
    u_char data;
};
volatile struct device_reg *regp;
```

Although the two examples are functionally equivalent, the second one requires the writer to ensure that `volatile` is used in every declaration of type `struct device_reg`. The first example results in the data being treated as volatile in all declarations and is therefore preferred.



# Multithreading



This chapter describes the locking primitives and thread synchronization mechanisms of the SunOS multithreaded kernel.

## Threads

A *thread of control*, or *thread*, is a sequence of instructions executed within a program. A thread can share data and code with other threads and can run *concurrently* with other threads. There are two kinds of threads: *user threads* and *kernel threads*. See *Multithreaded Programming Guide* for more information on threads.

### User Threads

Each process in the SunOS operating system has an address space that contains one or more *lightweight processes* (LWPs), each of which in turn runs one or more user threads. Figure 4-1 shows the relationship between threads, LWPs and processes. An LWP schedules its user threads and runs one user thread at a time, though multiple LWPs may run concurrently. User threads are handled in user space.

The LWP is the interface between user threads and the kernel. The LWP can be thought of as virtual CPU that schedules user thread execution. When a user thread issues a system call, the LWP running the thread calls into the kernel and remains bound to the thread at least until the system call completes. When

an LWP is running in the kernel, executing a system call on behalf of a user thread, it runs one kernel thread. Each LWP is therefore associated with exactly one kernel thread.

### Kernel Threads

There are two types of kernel threads: those bound to an LWP and those not associated with an LWP. Threads not associated with LWPs are system threads, such as those created to handle hardware interrupts. For those threads bound to an LWP, there is one and only one kernel thread per LWP. On a multiprocessor system, several kernel threads can run simultaneously. Even on uniprocessors, running kernel threads can be preempted at any time to run other threads. Drivers are mainly concerned with kernel threads as most device driver routines run as kernel threads. Figure 4-1 illustrates the relationship between threads and lightweight processes.

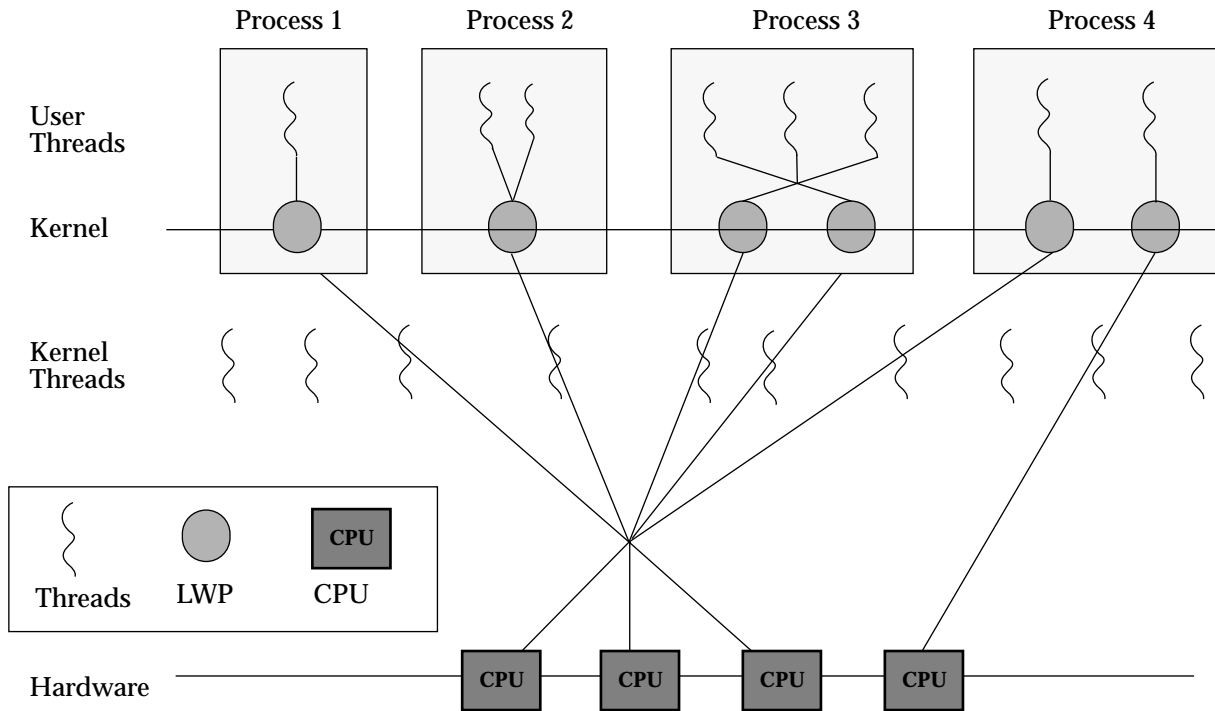


Figure 4-1 Threads and lightweight processes

A multithreaded kernel requires programmers to consider two issues: *locking primitives* and *thread synchronization*.

## Multiprocessing Changes Since SunOS 4.x

Here is a simplified view of how the earlier releases of the SunOS kernel ran on multiprocessors; only one processor could run kernel code at any one time, and this was enforced by using a *master lock* around the entire kernel. When a processor wanted to execute kernel code, it acquired the master lock, blocking other processors from accessing kernel code. It released the lock on exiting the kernel.

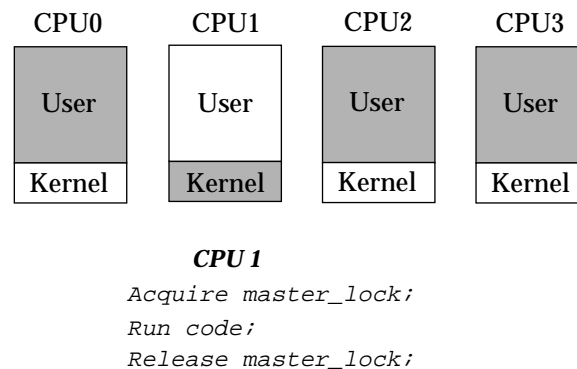


Figure 4-2 SunOS 4.x kernels on a multiprocessor

In Figure 4-2 CPU1 executes kernel code. All other processors are locked out of the kernel; the other processors could, however, run user code.

In SunOS 5.x, instead of one master lock, there are many locks that protect smaller regions of code or data. In the example shown in Figure 4-3, there is a kernel lock that controls access to data structure A, and another that controls

access to data structure B. Using these locks, only one processor at a time can be executing code dealing with data structure A, but another could be accessing data within structure B. This allows a greater degree of concurrency.

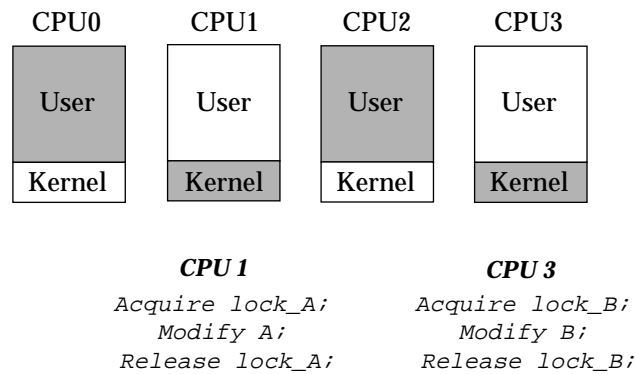


Figure 4-3 SunOS 5.x on a multiprocessor

In Figure 4-3 CPU1 and CPU3 are executing kernel code simultaneously.

## Locking Primitives

In traditional UNIX systems, any section of kernel code runs until it explicitly gives up the processor by calling `sleep()` or is interrupted by hardware. *This is not true in SunOS 5.x!* A kernel thread can be preempted at any time to run another thread. Since all kernel threads share kernel address space, and often need to read and modify the same data, the kernel provides a number of locking primitives to prevent threads from corrupting shared data. These mechanisms include *mutual exclusion locks*, *readers/writer locks* and *semaphores*.

### Storage Classes of Driver Data

The storage class of data is a guide to whether the driver may need to take explicit steps to control access to the data.

#### Automatic (Stack) Data

Since every thread has a private stack, drivers never need to lock automatic variables.

## Global and Static Data

Global and static data can be shared by any number of threads in the driver; the driver may need to lock this type of data at times.

## Kernel Heap Data

Kernel heap data, such as data allocated by `kmem_alloc(9F)`, may be shared by any number of threads in the driver. If this data *is* shared, the driver may need to protect it at times.

## State Structure

This section adds the following field to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 55 for more information.

```
int          busy; /* device busy flag */
kmutex_t    mu;   /* mutex to protect state structure */
kcondvar_t  cv;   /* threads wait for access here */
```

## Mutual-Exclusion Locks

A *mutual-exclusion lock*, or *mutex*, is usually associated with a set of data and regulates access to that data. Mutexes provide a way to allow only one thread at a time access to that data.

Table 4-1 Mutex routines

Name	Description
<code>mutex_init(9F)</code>	Initialize a mutex.
<code>mutex_destroy(9F)</code>	Release any associated storage.
<code>mutex_enter(9F)</code>	Acquire mutex.
<code>mutex_tryenter(9F)</code>	Acquire mutex if available; but do not block.
<code>mutex_exit(9F)</code>	Release mutex.
<code>mutex_owned(9F)</code>	Test if the mutex is held by the current thread. To be used in <code>ASSERT(9F)</code> only.

## Setting Up Mutexes

Device drivers usually allocate a mutex for each driver data structure. The mutex is typically a field in the structure and is of type `kmutex_t`. `mutex_init(9F)` is called to prepare the mutex for use. This is usually done at `attach(9E)` time for per-device mutexes and `_init(9E)` time for global driver mutexes.

For example,

```
struct xxstate *xsp;
...
mutex_init(&xsp->mu, "xx mutex", MUTEX_DRIVER, NULL);
...
```

For a more complete example of mutex initialization see Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration.”

The driver must destroy the mutex with `mutex_destroy(9F)` before being unloaded. This is usually done at `detach(9E)` time for per-device mutexes and `_fini(9E)` time for global driver mutexes.

## Using Mutexes

Every section of the driver code that needs to read or write the shared data structure must do the following:

- Acquire the mutex.
- Access the data.
- Release the mutex

For example, to protect access to the *busy* flag in the state structure:

```
...
mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
xsp->busy = 0;
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
....
```

The scope of a mutex—the data it protects—is entirely up to the programmer. A mutex protects some particular data structure *because the programmer chooses to do so* and uses it accordingly. A mutex protects a data structure only if every code path that accesses the data structure does so while holding the mutex. For additional guidelines on using mutexes see Appendix B, “Advanced Topics.”

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## *Readers/Writer Locks*

A *readers/writer lock* regulates access to a set of data. The readers/writer lock is so called because many threads can hold the lock simultaneously for reading, but only one thread can hold it for writing.

Most device drivers do not use readers/writer locks. These locks are slower than mutexes and provide a performance gain only when protecting data that is not frequently written but is commonly read by many concurrent threads. In this case, contention for a mutex could become a bottleneck, so using a readers/writer lock might be more efficient. See `rwlock(9F)` for more information.

## *Semaphores*

Counting semaphores are available as an alternative primitive for managing threads within device drivers. See `semaphore(9F)` for more information.

## *Thread Synchronization*

In addition to protecting shared data, drivers often need to synchronize execution among multiple threads.

## *Condition Variables*

Condition variables are a standard form of thread synchronization. They are designed to be used with mutexes. The associated mutex is used to ensure that a condition can be checked atomically, and that the thread can block on the associated condition variable without missing either a change to the condition or a signal that the condition has changed. Condition variables must be initialized by calling `cv_init(9F)` and must be destroyed by calling `cv_destroy(9F)`.

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**Note** - Condition variable routines are approximately equivalent to the routines `sleep()` and `wakeup()` used in SunOS 4.x.

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Table 4-2 lists the `condvar(9F)` interfaces. The four wait routines – `cv_wait(9F)`, `cv_timedwait(9F)`, `cv_wait_sig(9F)`, and `cv_timedwait_sig(9F)` – take a pointer to a mutex as an argument.

*Table 4-2* Condition variable routines

Name	Description
<code>cv_init(9F)</code>	Initialize a condition variable.
<code>cv_destroy(9F)</code>	Destroy a condition variable.
<code>cv_wait(9F)</code>	Wait for condition.
<code>cv_timedwait(9F)</code>	Wait for condition or timeout.
<code>cv_wait_sig(9F)</code>	Wait for condition or return zero on receipt of a signal.
<code>cv_timedwait_sig(9F)</code>	Wait for condition or timeout or signal.
<code>cv_signal(9F)</code>	Signal one thread waiting on the condition variable
<code>cv_broadcast(9F)</code>	Signal all threads waiting on the condition variable

### *Initializing Condition Variables*

Declare a condition variable (type `kcondvar_t`) for each condition. Usually, this is done in the driver’s soft-state structure. Use `cv_init(9F)` to initialize each one. Similar to mutexes, condition variables are usually initialized at `attach(9E)` time. For example,

```

...
cv_init(&xsp->cv, "xx cv", CV_DRIVER, NULL);
...

```

For a more complete example of condition variable initialization see Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration.”

### *Using Condition Variables*

On the code path waiting for the condition take the following steps:

- Acquire the mutex guarding the condition.
- Test the condition.



- If the test results do not allow the thread to continue, use `cv_wait(9F)` to block the current thread on the condition. `cv_wait(9F)` releases the mutex before blocking. Upon return from `cv_wait(9F)` (which will reacquire the mutex before returning), repeat the test.
- Once the test allows the thread to continue, set the condition to its new value. For example, set a device flag to busy.
- Release the mutex.

On the code path signaling the condition take the following steps:

- Acquire the mutex guarding the condition.
- Set the condition.
- Signal the blocked thread with `cv_signal(9F)`.
- Release the mutex.

Code Example 4-1 uses a busy flag, mutex and condition variables to force the `read(9E)` routine to wait until the device is no longer busy before starting a transfer:

*Code Example 4-1* Using mutexes and condition variables

```
static int
xxread(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    ...
    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    while(xsp->busy)
        cv_wait(&xsp->cv, &xsp->mu);
    xsp->busy = 1;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);

    perform the data access
}

static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (caddr_t) arg;
    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    xsp->busy = 0;
    cv_broadcast(&xsp->cv);
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
}
```

In Code Example 4-1, `xxintr()` always calls `cv_signal(9F)`, even if there are no threads waiting on the condition. This extra call can be avoided by using a *want* flag in the state structure. Before a thread blocks on the condition variable (such as because the device is busy), it sets the *want* flag, indicating that it wants to be signalled when the condition occurs. When the condition occurs (the device finishes the transfer), the call to `cv_broadcast(9F)` is made only if the *want* flag is set.

*Code Example 4-2 Using a want flag*

```
static int
xxread(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    ...
    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    while (xsp->busy) {
        xsp->want = 1;
        cv_wait(&xsp->cv, &xsp->mu);
    }
    xsp->busy = 1;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    perform error recovery
}

static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg);
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (caddr_t) arg;
    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    xsp->busy = 0;
    if (xsp->want) {
        xsp->want = 0;
        cv_broadcast(&xsp->cv);
    }
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
}
```

## cv\_timedwait( )

If a thread blocks on a condition with `cv_wait(9F)`, and that condition does not occur, it may wait forever. One way to prevent this is to establish a callback with `timeout(9F)`. This callback sets a flag indicating that the condition did not occur normally, and then unblocks the thread. The notified thread then notices that the condition did not occur and can return an error (such as *device broken*).

A better solution is to use `cv_timedwait(9F)`. An absolute wait time is passed to `cv_timedwait(9F)`, which returns `-1` if the time is reached and the event has not occurred. It returns nonzero otherwise. This saves a lot of work setting up separate `timeout(9F)` routines and avoids having threads get stuck in the driver.

`cv_timedwait(9F)` requires an absolute wait time expressed in clock ticks since the system was last rebooted. This can be determined by retrieving the current value with `drv_getparm(9F)`. The `drv_getparm(9F)` function takes an address to store a value and an indicator of which kernel parameter to retrieve. In this case, `LBOLT` is used to get the number of clock ticks since the last reboot. The driver, however, usually has a maximum number of seconds or microseconds to wait, so this value is converted to clock ticks with `drv_usectohz(9F)` and added to the value from `drv_getparm(9F)`.

Code Example 4-3 shows how to use `cv_timedwait(9F)` to wait up to five seconds to access the device before returning `EIO` to the caller.

### Code Example 4-3 Using `cv_timedwait(9F)`

```
clock_t    cur_ticks, to;
mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
while (xsp->busy) {
    drv_getparm(LBOLT, &cur_ticks);
    to = cur_ticks + drv_usectohz(5000000); /* 5 seconds from now */
    if (cv_timedwait(&xsp->cv, &xsp->mu, to) == -1) {
        /*
         * The timeout time 'to' was reached without the
         * condition being signalled.
         */
        tidy up and exit
    }
}
```

```

        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (EIO);
    }
}
xsp->busy = 1;
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);

```

### cv\_wait\_sig( )

There is always the possibility that either the driver accidentally waits for a condition that will never occur (as described in “cv\_timedwait( )” on page 89) or that the condition will not happen for a long time. In either case, the user may want to abort the thread by sending it a signal. Whether the signal causes the driver to wake up depends on the driver.

cv\_wait\_sig(9F) allows a signal to unblock the thread. This allows the user to break out of potentially long waits by sending a signal to the thread with kill(1) or by typing the interrupt character. cv\_wait\_sig(9F) returns zero if it is returning because of a signal, or nonzero if the condition occurred.

#### Code Example 4-4 Using cv\_wait\_sig(9F)

```

mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
while (xsp->busy) {
    if (cv_wait_sig(&xsp->cv, &xsp->mu) == 0) {
        /* Signalled while waiting for the condition. */
        tidy up and exit
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (EINTR);
    }
}
xsp->busy = 1;
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);

```

### cv\_timedwait\_sig( )

cv\_timedwait\_sig(9F) is similar to cv\_timedwait(9F) and cv\_wait\_sig(9F), except that it returns -1 without the condition being signaled after a timeout has been reached, or 0 if a signal (for example, kill(2)) is sent to the thread.

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For both `cv_timedwait(9F)` and `cv_timedwait_sig(9F)`, time is measured in absolute clock ticks since the last system reboot.

## *Choosing a Locking Scheme*

The locking scheme for most device drivers should be kept straightforward. Using additional locks may allow more concurrency but increase overhead. Using fewer locks is cheaper but allows less concurrency. Generally, use one mutex per data structure, a condition variable for each event or condition the driver must wait for, and a mutex for each major set of data global to the driver. Avoid holding mutexes for long periods of time.

For more information on locking schemes, see Appendix F, “Advanced Topics”. Also see the *Multithreaded Programming Guide* for more detail on multithreading operations.



# Autoconfiguration

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This chapter describes the support a driver must provide for autoconfiguration.

## Overview

Autoconfiguration is the process of getting the driver’s code and static data loaded into memory and registered with the system. Autoconfiguration also involves configuring (attaching) individual device instances that are controlled by the driver. These processes are discussed in more detail in “Loadable Driver Interface” on page 98 and “Device Configuration” on page 100. The autoconfiguration process includes both of these processes and begins when the device is put into use.

## State Structure

This section adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
int      instance;  
ddi_iblock_cookie_t  iblock_cookie;  
ddi_idevice_cookie_t  idevice_cookie;  
ddi_acc_handle_t      data_access_handle;
```

## Driver Loading and Configuration

Figure 5-1 illustrates a structural overview of a device driver. The shaded area of this figure shows the autoconfiguration process, which is subdivided into two parts: driver loading (performed by the kernel) and driver configuration.

**Note** – The third section (device access) is discussed in Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices” and Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices.”

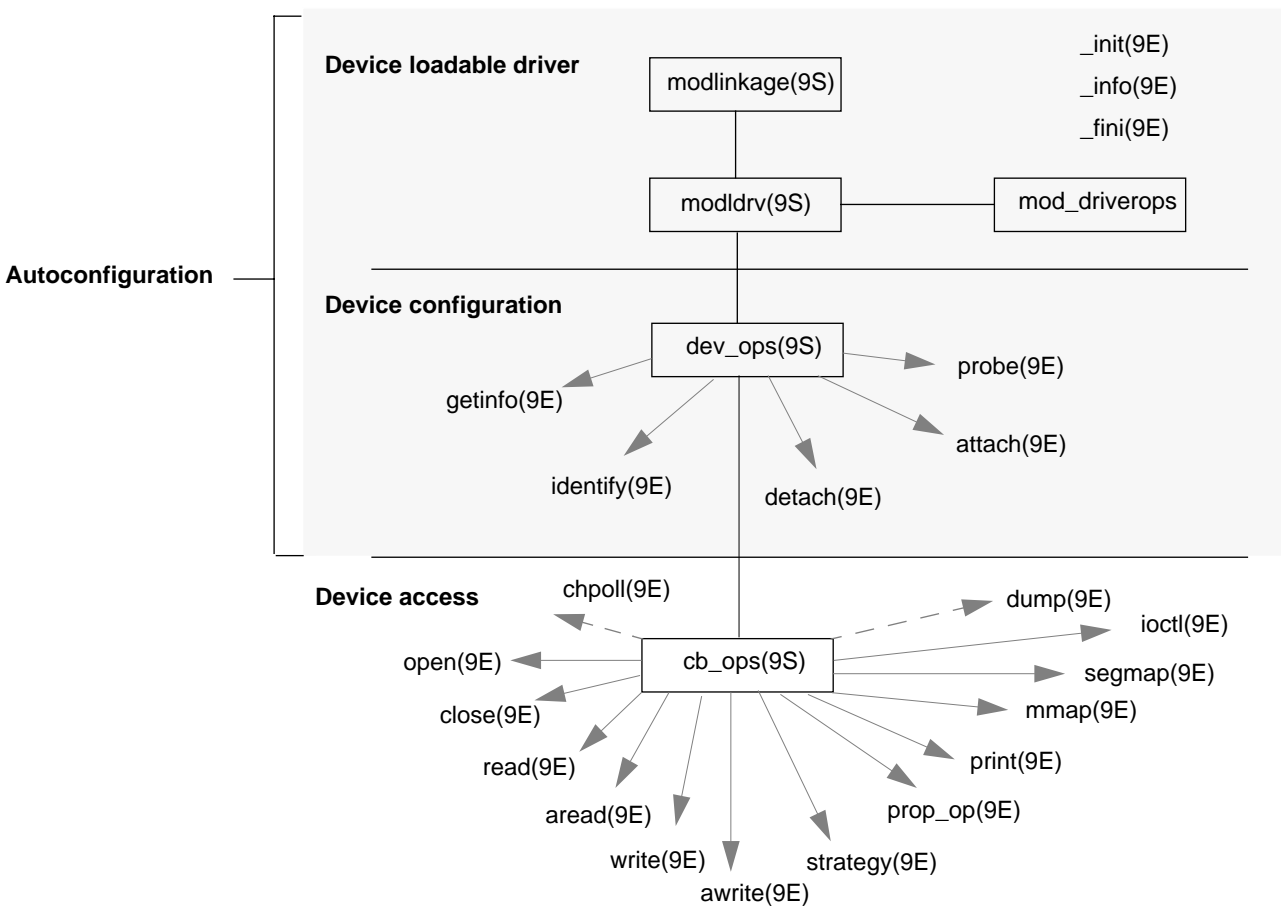


Figure 5-1 Autoconfiguration roadmap



## Data Structures

The data structures illustrated in Figure 5-1 must be provided and initialized correctly for the driver to load and for its routines to be called. If an operation is not supported by the driver, the address of the routine `nodev(9F)` can be used to fill it in. If the driver supports the entry point, but does not need to do anything except return success, the address of the routine `nulldev(9F)` can be used.

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**Note** – These structures should be initialized at compile-time. They should not be accessed or changed by the driver at any other time.

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`modlinkage( )`

```
int    ml_rev;
void   *ml_linkage[4];
```

The `modlinkage(9S)` structure is exported to the kernel when the driver is loaded. The `ml_rev` field indicates the revision number of the loadable module system, which should be set to `MODREV_1`. Drivers can only support one module, so only the first element of `ml_linkage` should be set to the address of a `modldrv(9S)` structure. `ml_linkage[1]` should be set to `NULL`.

`modldrv( )`

```
struct mod_ops    *drv_modops;
char              *drv_linkinfo;
struct dev_ops    *drv_dev_ops;
```

This structure describes the module in more detail. The `drv_modops` field points to a structure describing the module operations, which is `&mod_driverops` for a device driver. The `drv_linkinfo` field is displayed by the `modinfo(1M)` command and should be an informative string identifying the device driver. The `drv_dev_ops` field points to the next structure in the chain, the `dev_ops(9S)` structure.

## dev\_ops ( )

```

int     devo_rev;
int     devo_refcnt;
int     (*devo_getinfo)(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_info_cmd_t infocmd,
        void *arg, void **result);
int     (*devo_identify)(dev_info_t *dip);
int     (*devo_probe)(dev_info_t *dip);
int     (*devo_attach)(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd);
int     (*devo_detach)(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd);
int     (*devo_reset)(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_reset_cmd_t cmd);
struct cb_ops  *devo_cb_ops;
struct bus_ops  *devo_bus_ops;

```

The `dev_ops(9S)` structure allows the kernel to find the autoconfiguration entry points of the device driver. The `devo_rev` field identifies the revision number of the structure itself, and must be set to `DEVO_REV`. The `devo_refcnt` field must be initialized to zero. The function address fields should be filled in with the address of the appropriate driver entry point exceptions:

- If a `probe(9E)` routine is not needed, use `nulldev(9F)`.
- `nodev(9F)` can be used in `devo_detach` to prevent the driver from being unloaded.
- `devo_reset` should be set to `nodev(9F)`.

The `devo_cb_ops` member should contain the address of the `cb_ops(9S)` structure. The `devo_bus_ops` field must be set to `NULL`.

## cb\_ops

```

int     (*cb_open)(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp,
        cred_t *credp);
int     (*cb_close)(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp,
        cred_t *credp);
int     (*cb_strategy)(struct buf *bp);
int     (*cb_print)(dev_t dev, char *str);
int     (*cb_dump)(dev_t dev, caddr_t addr, daddr_t blkno,
        int nblk);
int     (*cb_read)(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp);
int     (*cb_write)(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp);
int     (*cb_ioctl)(dev_t dev, int cmd, int arg, int mode,
        cred_t *credp, int *rvalp);
int     (*cb_devmap)();

```

```
int      (*cb_mmap)(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot);
int      (*cb_segmap)(dev_t dev, off_t off, struct as *asp,
                    addr_t *addrp, off_t len, unsigned int prot,
                    unsigned int maxprot, unsigned int flags,
                    cred_t *credp);
int      (*cb_chpoll)(dev_t dev, short events, int anyyet,
                    short *reventsp, struct pollhead **phpp);
int      (*cb_prop_op)(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
                    ddi_prop_op_t prop_op, int mod_flags,
                    char *name, caddr_t valuep, int *length);
struct streamtab *cb_str; /* STREAMS information */
int      cb_flag;
int      cb_rev;
int      (*cb_aread)(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio,
                    cred_t *credp);
int      (*cb_awrite)(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio,
                    cred_t *credp);
```

The `cb_ops(9S)` structure contains the entry points for the character and block operations of the device driver. Any entry points the driver does not support should be initialized to `nodev(9F)`. For example, character device drivers should set all the block-only fields (such as `cb_strategy` to `nodev(9F)`).

The `cb_str` field is used to determine if this is a STREAMS-based driver. The device drivers discussed in this book are not STREAMS-based. For a non-STREAMS-based driver, `cb_str` *must* be set to `NULL`.

The `cb_flag` member indicates whether the driver is safe for multithreading (`D_MP`) and whether it is a new-style driver (`D_NEW`). All drivers are new-style drivers, and should properly handle the multithreaded environment, so `cb_flag` should be set to both (`D_NEW | D_MP`).

If the driver properly handles 64-bit offsets, it should also set the `D_64BIT` flag in the `cb_flag` field. This specifies that the driver will use the `uio_loffset` field of the `uio(9S)` structure.

`cb_rev` is the `cb_ops(9S)` structure revision number. This field must be set to `CB_REV`.

## Loadable Driver Interface

Device drivers *must* be dynamically loadable and should be unloadable to help conserve memory resources. Drivers that can be unloaded are also easier to test and debug.

Each device driver has a section of code that defines a loadable interface. This code section defines a static pointer for the soft state routines, the structures described in “Data Structures” on page 95 and the routines involved in loading the module.

### Code Example 5-1 Loadable interface section

```
static void *statep;          /* for soft state routines */
static struct cb_ops xx_cb_ops; /* forward reference */
static struct dev_ops xx_ops = {
    DEVO_REV,
    0,
    xxgetinfo,
    xxidentify,
    xxprobe,
    xxattach,
    xxdetach,
    nodev,
    &xx_cb_ops,
    (struct bus_ops *) NULL
};
static struct modldrv modldrv = {
    &mod_driverops,
    "xx driver v1.0",
    &xx_ops
};
static struct modlinkage modlinkage = {
    MODREV_1,
    &modldrv,
    NULL
};
int
_init(void)
{
    int error;
```

```
    ddi_soft_state_init(&statep, sizeof (struct xxstate),
        estimated number of instances);
    further per-module initialization if necessary
    error = mod_install(&modlinkage);
    if (error) != 0 {
        undo any per-module initialization done earlier
        ddi_soft_state_fini(&statep);
    }
    return (error);
}
int
_fini(void)
{
    int error;

    error = mod_remove(&modlinkage);
    if (error == 0) {
        release per-module resources if any were allocated
        ddi_soft_state_fini(&statep);
    }
    return (error);
}
int
_info(struct modinfo *modinfop)
{
    return (mod_info(&modlinkage, modinfop));
}
```

Any one-time resource allocation or data initialization should be performed during driver loading in `_init(9E)`. For example, any mutexes global to the driver should be initialized here. Do not, however, use `_init(9E)` to allocate or initialize anything that has to do with a particular instance of the device. Per-instance initialization must be done in `attach(9E)`. For example, if a driver for a printer can drive more than one printer at the same time, allocate resources specific to each printer instance in `attach(9E)`.

Similarly, in `_fini(9E)`, release only those resources allocated by `_init(9E)`.

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**Note** – Once `_init(9E)` has called `mod_install(9F)`, none of the data structures hanging off of the `modlinkage(9S)` structure should be changed by the driver, as the system may make copies of them or change them.

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## Device Configuration

Each driver must provide five entry points that are used by the kernel for device configuration. They are:

- `identify(9E)`
- `probe(9E)`
- `attach(9E)`
- `detach(9E)`
- `getinfo(9E)`

Every device driver must have an `identify(9E)`, `attach(9E)` and `getinfo(9E)` routine. `probe(9E)` is only required for non self-identifying devices. For self-identifying devices an explicit probe routine may be provided or `nulldev(9F)` may be specified in the `dev_ops` structure for the `probe(9E)` entry point.

### `identify( )`

The system calls `identify(9E)` to find out whether the driver drives the device specified by `dip`.

*Code Example 5-2* `identify(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxidentify(dev_info_t *dip)
{
    if (strcmp(ddi_get_name(dip), "xx") == 0)
        return (DDI_IDENTIFIED);
    else
        return (DDI_NOT_IDENTIFIED);
}
```

If the device is known by several different names, `identify(9E)` should check for a match with each name before failing. The names must also have been passed with *aliases* to `add_drv(1M)` when the driver was installed. See Chapter 13, “Loading and Unloading Drivers.”

`identify(9E)` should *not* maintain a device count, since the system does not guarantee that `identify(9E)` will be called for all device instances before `attach(9E)` is called for any device instance, nor does the system make any guarantees about the number of times `identify(9E)` will be called for any given device.

### *Instance Numbers*

The system assigns an instance number to each device. The driver may not reliably predict the value of the instance number assigned to a particular device. The driver should retrieve the particular instance number that has been assigned by calling `ddi_get_instance(9F)`. See Code Example 5-5 on page 105 for an example.

Instance numbers are derived in an implementation-specific manner from different properties for the different device types. The following properties are used to derive instance numbers:

The `reg` property is used for SBus, PCI, VMEbus, ISA, EISA, and MCA devices. Non-self-identifying device drivers provide this in the hardware configuration file. See `sbus(4)`, `pci(4)`, `isa(4)` and `vme(4)`.

The `target` and `lun` properties are used for SCSI target devices. These are provided in the hardware configuration file. See `scsi(4)`.

The `instance` property is used for pseudo-devices. This is provided in the hardware configuration file. See `pseudo(4)`.

### *Persistent Instances*

Once an instance number has been assigned to a particular physical device by the system, it stays the same even across reconfiguration and reboot. Because of this, instance numbers seen by a driver may not appear to be in consecutive order.

`probe( )`

This entry point is not required for self-identifying devices such as SBus or PCI devices. `nulldev(9F)` may be used instead.

For non self-identifying devices (see “Device Identification” on page 22) this entry point should determine whether the hardware device is present on the system and return:

<code>DDI_PROBE_SUCCESS</code>	if the probe was successful
<code>DDI_PROBE_FAILURE</code>	if the probe failed

DDI_PROBE_DONTCARE	if the probe was unsuccessful, yet <code>attach(9E)</code> should still be called OR
DDI_PROBE_PARTIAL	if the instance is not present now, but may be present in the future

For a given device instance, `attach(9E)` will not be called before `probe(9E)` has succeeded at least once on that device.

It is important that `probe(9E)` free all the resources it allocates, because it may be called multiple times; however, `attach(9E)` will not necessarily be called even if `probe(9E)` succeeds.

For `probe` to determine whether the instance of the device is present, `probe(9E)` may need to do many of the things also commonly done by `attach(9E)`. In particular, it may need to map the device registers.

Probing the device registers is device-specific. The driver probably has to perform a series of tests of the hardware to assure that the hardware is really there. The test criteria must be rigorous enough to avoid misidentifying devices. It may, for example, appear that the device is present when in fact it is not, because a different device appears to behave like the expected device.

When the driver's `probe(9E)` routine is called, it does not know if the device being probed exists on the bus. Therefore, it is possible that the driver may attempt to access device registers for a non-existent device. A bus fault may be generated on some busses as a result.

Buses such as ISA, EISA, and MCA do not generate bus faults as a result of such accesses. Code Example 5-3 is an sample `probe(9E)` routine for devices on these buses.

*Code Example 5-3* `probe(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxprobe(dev_info_t *dip)
{
    int         instance;
    volatile caddr_t reg_addr;
    ddi_acc_handle_t data_access_handle;

    /* define device attributes */
    ddi_device_acc_attr_t access_attr = {
        DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0,
        DDI_STRUCTURE_BE_ACC,
    };
}
```



```

        DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC
    };
    if (ddi_dev_is_sid(dip) == DDI_SUCCESS) /* no need to probe */
        return (DDI_PROBE_DONTCARE);

    instance = ddi_get_instance(dip); /* assigned instance */
    if (ddi_intr_hilevel(dip, inumber)) {
        cmn_err(CE_CONT,
            "?xx driver does not support high level interrupts."
            " Probe failed.");
        return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);
    }

    /* Map device registers and try to contact device.*/
    if (ddi_regs_map_setup(dip, rnumber, &reg_addr, offset, len,
        &access_attr, &data_access_handle) != DDI_SUCCESS)
        return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);

    if (ddi_getb(data_access_handle, (uchar_t *)reg_addr) !=
        some_value)
        goto failed;

    free allocated resources
    ddi_regs_map_free(&data_access_handle);

    if (device is present and ready for attach)
        return (DDI_PROBE_SUCCESS);
    else if (device is present but not ready for attach)
        return (DDI_PROBE_PARTIAL);
    else /* device is not present */
        return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);

failed:
    free allocated resources
    ddi_regs_map_free(&data_access_handle);
    return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);
}

```

The string printed in the high-level interrupt case begins with a '?' character. This causes the message to be printed only if the kernel was booted with the verbose (-v) flag. (See kernel(1M)). Otherwise the message only goes into the message log, where it can be seen by running dmesg(1M).

ddi\_dev\_is\_sid(9F) may be used in a driver's probe(9E) routine to determine if the device is self-identifying. This is useful in drivers written for self-identifying and non self-identifying versions of the same device.

For VME device drivers, a fault may occur as a result of attempting to access device registers for a device that is not present. In this case, the `ddi_peek(9F)` and `ddi_poke(9F)` family of routines must be used to access the device registers. Code Example 5-4 shows a `probe(9E)` routine that uses `ddi_peek(9F)` and `ddi_poke(9F)` to check for the existence of the device.

*Code Example 5-4* `probe(9E)` routine using `ddi_peek(9F)`

```
static int
xxprobe(dev_info_t *dip)
{
    int          instance;
    volatile caddr_t reg_addr;

    if (ddi_dev_is_sid(dip) == DDI_SUCCESS) /* no need to probe */
        return (DDI_PROBE_DONTCARE);

    instance = ddi_get_instance(dip); /* assigned instance */
    if (ddi_intr_hilevel(dip, inumber)) {
        cmn_err(CE_CONT,
            "?xx driver does not support high level interrupts."
            " Probe failed.");
        return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);
    }
    /*
     * Map device registers and try to contact device.
     */
    if (ddi_map_regs(dip, rnumber, &reg_addr, offset, len) != 0)
        return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);

    if (ddi_peekc(dip, reg_addr, NULL) != DDI_SUCCESS)
        goto failed;

    free allocated resources
    ddi_unmap_regs(dip, rnumber, &reg_addr, offset, len);
    if (device is present and ready for attach)
        return (DDI_PROBE_SUCCESS);
    else if (device is present but not ready for attach)
        return (DDI_PROBE_PARTIAL);
    else /* device is not present */
        return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);

failed:
    free allocated resources
    ddi_unmap_regs(dip, rnumber, &reg_addr, offset, len);
    return (DDI_PROBE_FAILURE);
}
```

In this example, `ddi_map_regs(9F)` is used to map the device registers. `ddi_peekc(9F)` reads a single character from the location `reg_addr`.

`attach( )`

The system calls `attach(9E)` to *attach* a device instance to the system. The responsibilities of the `DDI_ATTACH` case of `attach(9E)` include:

- Optionally allocating a soft state structure for the instance
- Registering an interrupt handler
- Mapping device registers
- Initializing per- instance mutexes and condition variables
- Creating minor device nodes for the instance

Code Example 5-5 is an example of an `attach(9E)` routine.

*Code Example 5-5* `attach(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    int    instance;

    /* define device attributes */
    ddi_device_acc_attr_t access_attr = {
        DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0,
        DDI_STRUCTURE_BE_ACC,
        DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC
    };
    switch (cmd) {
    case DDI_ATTACH:

        /* get assigned instance number */
        instance = ddi_get_instance(dip);
        if (ddi_soft_state_zalloc(statep, instance) != 0)
            return (DDI_FAILURE);
        xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);

        /* retrieve interrupt block cookie */
        if (ddi_get_iblock_cookie(dip, inumber,
            &xsp->iblock_cookie) != DDI_SUCCESS) {
```

```

        ddi_soft_state_free(statep, instance);
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
    /* initialize locks. Note that mutex_init wants a */
    /* ddi_iblock_cookie, not the _address_ of one, */
    /* as the fourth argument.*/
    mutex_init(&xsp->mu, "xx mutex", MUTEX_DRIVER,
        (void *)xsp->iblock_cookie);
    cv_init(&xsp->cv, "xx cv", CV_DRIVER, NULL);

    /* set up interrupt handler for the device */
    if (ddi_add_intr(dip, inumber, NULL,
        &xsp->idevice_cookie, NULL, intr_handler, intr_handler_arg)
        != DDI_SUCCESS) {
        ddi_soft_state_free(statep, instance);
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }

    /* map device registers */
    if (ddi_regs_map_setup(dip, rnumber, &xsp->regp,
        offset, sizeof(struct device_reg), &access_attr,
        &xsp->data_access_handle) != DDI_SUCCESS) {
        ddi_remove_intr(dip, inumber, xsp->iblock_cookie);
        ddi_soft_state_free(statep, instance);
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
    xsp->dip = dip;
    initialize the rest of the software state structure;
    make device quiescent;                /* device-specific */
    /*
     * for devices with programmable bus interrupt level
     */
    program device interrupt level using xsp->idevice_cookie;
    if (ddi_create_minor_node(dip, "minor name", S_IFCHR,
        minor_number, node_type, 0) != DDI_SUCCESS)
        goto failed;

    initialize driver data, prepare for a later open of the device; /*device-specific */
    ddi_report_dev(dip);
    return (DDI_SUCCESS);
default:
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}

```

```

failed:
    free allocated resources
    ddi_regs_map_free(&xsp->data_access_handle);
    ddi_remove_intr(dip, inumber, xsp->iblock_cookie);
    cv_destroy(&xsp->cv);
    mutex_destroy(&xsp->mu);
    ddi_soft_state_free(statep, instance);
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}

```

`attach(9E)` first checks for the `DDI_ATTACH` command, which is the only one it handles. Future releases may support additional commands; consequently, it is important that drivers return `DDI_FAILURE` for all the commands they do not recognize. `attach(9E)` then calls `ddi_get_instance(9F)` to get the instance number the system has assigned to the `dev_info` node indicated by `dip`.

Since the driver must be able to return a pointer to its `dev_info` node for each instance, `attach(9E)` must save `dip`, usually in a field of a per-instance state structure. The example also requires DMA capability, so `ddi_slaveonly(9F)` is called to check if the slot is capable of DMA. See Chapter 2, “Hardware Overview” for more information on SBus.

The section discusses one example of such SBus hardware.

If any of the resource allocation routines fail, the code at the `failed` label should free any resources that had already been allocated before returning `DDI_FAILURE`. This can be done with a series of checks that look like this:

```

if (xsp->regp)
    ddi_regs_map_free(&xsp->data_access_handle);

```

There should be such a check and a deallocation operation for each allocation operation that may have been performed.

## *Registering Interrupts Overview*

In the call to `ddi_add_intr(9F)`, `inumber` specifies which of several possible interrupt specifications is to be handled by `intr_handler`. For example, if the device interrupts at only one level, pass 0 for `inumber`. The interrupt specifications being referred to by `inumber` are described by the *interrupts* property (see `driver.conf(4)`, `isa(4)`, `eisa(4)`, `mca(4)`, `sysbus(4)`, `vme(4)`, and `sbus(4)`). `intr_handler` is a pointer to a function, in this case `xxintr()`, to

be called when the device issues the specified interrupt. *intr\_handler\_arg* is an argument of type `caddr_t` to be passed to *intr\_handler*. *intr\_handler\_arg* may be a pointer to a data structure representing the device instance that issued the interrupt. `ddi_add_intr(9F)` returns a device cookie in `xsp->idevice_cookie` for use with devices having programmable bus-interrupt levels. The device cookie contains the following fields:

```

    u_short    idev_vector;
    u_short    idev_priority;

```

The *idev\_priority* field of the returned structure contains the bus interrupt priority level, and the *idev\_vector* field contains the vector number for vectored bus architectures such as VMEbus.

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**Note** – There is a potential race condition in `attach(9E)`. The interrupt routine is eligible to be called as soon as `ddi_add_intr(9F)` returns. This may result in the interrupt routine being called before any mutexes have been initialized with the interrupt block cookie. If the interrupt routine acquires the mutex before it has been initialized, undefined behavior may result. See “Registering Interrupts” on page 120 for a solution to this problem.

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### *Mapping Device Drivers*

In the `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` call, *dip* is the `dev_info` pointer passed to `attach(9E)`. *rnumber* specifies which register set to map if there is more than one. For devices with only one register set, pass 0 for *rnumber*. The register specifications referred to by *rnumber* are described by the *reg* property (see `driver.conf(4)`, `isa(4)`, `eisa(4)`, `mca(4)`, `sysbus(4)`, `vme(4)`, `sbus(4)` and `pci(4)`). `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` maps a device register set (register specification) and returns a bus address base in `xsp->regp`. This address is *offset* bytes from the base of the device register set, and the mapping extends `sizeof(struct device_reg)` bytes beyond that. To map all of a register set, pass zero for *offset* and the length.

### *Minor Device Nodes*

A minor device node contains the information exported by the device that the system uses to create a special file for the device under `/devices` in the filesystem.

In the call to `ddi_create_minor_node(9F)`, the *minor name* is the character string that is the last part of the base name of the special file to be created for this minor device number; for example, "b,raw" in "`fd@1,f7200000:b,raw`". `S_IFCHR` means create a character special file. Finally, the node type is one of the following system macros, or any string constant that does not conflict with the values of these macros (See `ddi_create_minor_node(9F)` for more information).

*Table 5-1* Possible node types

Constant	Description
<code>DDI_NT_SERIAL</code>	Serial port
<code>DDI_NT_SERIAL_DO</code>	Dialout ports
<code>DDI_NT_BLOCK</code>	Hard disks
<code>DDI_NT_BLOCK_CHAN</code>	Hard disks with channel or target numbers
<code>DDI_NT_CD</code>	ROM drives (CDROM)
<code>DDI_NT_CD_CHAN</code>	ROM drives with channel or target numbers
<code>DDI_NT_FD</code>	Floppy disks
<code>DDI_NT_TAPE</code>	Tape drives
<code>DDI_NT_NET</code>	Network devices
<code>DDI_NT_DISPLAY</code>	Display devices
<code>DDI_PSEUDO</code>	General pseudo devices

The node types `DDI_NT_BLOCK`, `DDI_NT_BLOCK_CHAN`, `DDI_NT_CD` and `DDI_NT_CD_CHAN` causes `disks(1M)` to identify the device instance as a disk and to create a symbolic link in the `/dev/dsk` or `/dev/rdisk` directory pointing to the device node in the `/devices` directory tree.

The node type `DDI_NT_TAPE` causes `tapes(1M)` to identify the device instance as a tape and to create a symbolic link from the `/dev/rmt` directory to the device node in the `/devices` directory tree.

The node type `DDI_NT_SERIAL` causes `ports(1M)` to identify the device instance as a serial port and to create symbolic links from the `/dev/term` and `/dev/cua` directories to the device node in the `/devices` directory tree and to add a new entry to `/etc/inittab`.

Vendor supplied strings should include an identifying value to make them unique, such as their name or stock symbol (if appropriate). The string (along with the other node types not consumed by `disks(1M)`, `tapes(1M)`, or `ports(1M)`) can be used in conjunction with `devlinks(1M)` and `devlink.tab(4)` to create logical names in `/dev`.

### *Deferred Attach*

`open(9E)` might be called before `attach(9E)` has succeeded. `open(9E)` must then return `ENXIO`, which will cause the system to attempt to attach the device. If the attach succeeds, the open is retried automatically.

### `detach( )`

`detach(9E)` is the inverse operation to `attach(9E)`. It is called for each device instance, receiving a command of `DDI_DETACH`, when the system attempts to unload a driver module. The system only calls the `DDI_DETACH` case of `detach(9E)` for a device instance if the device instance is not open. No calls to other driver entry points for that device instance occurs during `detach(9E)`, although interrupts and time-outs may occur.

The main purpose of `detach(9E)` is to free resources allocated by `attach(9E)` for the specified device. For example, `detach(9E)` should unmap any mapped device registers, remove any interrupts registered with the system, and free the soft state structure for this device instance.

If the `detach(9E)` routine entry in the `dev_ops(9S)` structure is initialized to `nodev`, it implies that `detach(9E)` always fails, and the driver will not be unloaded. This is the simplest way to specify that a driver is not unloadable.

#### *Code Example 5-6* `detach(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxdetach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    int instance;

    switch (cmd) {
    case DDI_DETACH:
        instance = ddi_get_instance(dip);
        xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
```



```

        make device quiescent;           /* device-specific */
        ddi_remove_minor_node(dip, NULL);
        ddi_regs_map_free(&xsp->data_access_handle);
        ddi_remove_intr(dip, inumber, xsp->iblock_cookie);
        mutex_destroy(&xsp->mu);
        cv_destroy(&xsp->cv);
        ddi_soft_state_free(statep, instance);
        return (DDI_SUCCESS);
    default:
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
}

```

In the call to `ddi_regs_map_free(9F)`, `xsp->data_access_handle` is the data access handle previously allocated by the call to `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` in `attach(9E)`. Similarly, in the call to `ddi_remove_intr(9F)`, `inumber` is the same value that was passed to `ddi_add_intr(9F)`.

## Callbacks

The `detach(9E)` routine must not return `DDI_SUCCESS` while it has callback functions pending. This is only critical for callbacks registered for device instances that are not currently open, since the `DDI_DETACH` case is not entered if the device is open.

There are two types of callback routines of interest: callbacks that can be cancelled, and callbacks that must run to completion.

Callbacks that can be cancelled do not pose a problem; just remember to cancel the callback before `detach(9E)` returns `DDI_SUCCESS`. Each of the callback cancellation routines in Table 5-2 atomically cancels callbacks so that a callback routine does not run while it is being cancelled.

*Table 5-2* Example of functions with callbacks that can be cancelled.

Function	Cancelling function
<code>timeout(9F)</code>	<code>untimeout(9F)</code>
<code>bufcall(9F)</code>	<code>unbufcall(9F)</code>
<code>esbbcall(9F)</code>	<code>unbufcall(9F)</code>

Some callbacks cannot be cancelled—for these it is necessary to wait until the callback has been called. In some cases, such as `ddi_dma_setup(9F)`, the callback must also be prevented from rescheduling itself. See “Cancelling DMA Callbacks” on page 148 for an example.

Following is a list of some functions that may establish callbacks that cannot be cancelled:

- `esballoc(9F)`
- `ddi_dma_setup(9F)`
- `ddi_dma_addr_setup(9F)`
- `ddi_dma_buf_setup(9F)`
- `scsi_dmaget(9F)`
- `scsi_realloc(9F)`
- `scsi_pktalloc(9F)`
- `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`

## `getinfo( )`

The system calls `getinfo(9E)` to obtain configuration information that only the driver knows. The mapping of minor numbers to device instances is entirely under the control of the driver. The system sometimes needs to ask the driver which device a particular `dev_t` represents.

`getinfo(9E)` is called during module loading and at other times during the life of the driver. It can take one of two commands as its *infocmd* argument: `DDI_INFO_DEVT2INSTANCE`, which asks for a device’s instance number, and `DDI_INFO_DEVT2DEVINFO`, which asks for pointer to the device’s `dev_info` structure.

In the `DDI_INFO_DEVT2INSTANCE` case, *arg* is a `dev_t`, and `getinfo(9E)` must translate the minor number to an instance number. In the following example, the minor number *is* the instance number, so it simply passes back the minor number. In this case, the driver must not assume that a state structure is available, since `getinfo(9E)` may be called before `attach(9E)`. The mapping the driver defines between minor device number and instance number does not necessarily follow the mapping shown in the example. In all cases, however, the mapping must be static.

In the DDI\_INFO\_DEVT2DEVINFO case, *arg* is again a *dev\_t*, so *getinfo*(9E) first decodes the instance number for the device. It then passes back the *dev\_info* pointer saved in the driver's soft state structure for the appropriate device. This is shown in the following code sample.

```
static int
xxgetinfo(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_info_cmd_t infocmd, void *arg,
void **result)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    dev_t dev;
    int instance, error;
    switch (infocmd) {
    case DDI_INFO_DEVT2INSTANCE:
        dev = (dev_t) arg;
        *result = (void *) getminor(dev);
        error = DDI_SUCCESS;
        break;
    case DDI_INFO_DEVT2DEVINFO:
        dev = (dev_t) arg;
        instance = getminor(dev);
        xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
        if (xsp == NULL)
            return (DDI_FAILURE);
        *result = (void *) xsp->dip;
        error = DDI_SUCCESS;
        break;
    default:
        error = DDI_FAILURE;
        break;
    }
    return (error);
}
```



## *Interrupt Handlers*

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This chapter describes the interrupt handling mechanisms of the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI. These mechanisms include registering, servicing, and removing interrupts.

### *Overview*

An interrupt is a hardware signal from a device to the CPU. It tells the CPU that the device needs attention and that the CPU should drop whatever it is doing and respond to the device. If the CPU is available (it is not doing something with higher priority, such as servicing a higher priority interrupt) it suspends the current thread and eventually invokes the interrupt handler for that device. The job of the interrupt handler is to service the device and stop it from interrupting. Once the handler returns, the CPU resumes whatever it was doing before the interrupt occurred.

The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI provides a bus-architecture independent interface for registering and servicing interrupts. Drivers must register their device interrupts before they can receive and service interrupts.

### *Example Hardware Interrupt Implementation*

On x86 platforms, a device requests an interrupt by asserting an interrupt request line (IRQ) on the system bus. The bus implements multiple IRQ lines, and a particular device may be able to generate interrupts on one or more of them. Multiple devices may share a common IRQ line.

The bus IRQ lines are connected to an interrupt controller that arbitrates between interrupt requests. The kernel programs the interrupt controller to select those interrupts that should be enabled at any particular time. When the interrupt controller determines that an interrupt should be delivered, it raises a request to the CPU. If processor interrupts are enabled, the CPU acknowledges the interrupt and causes the kernel to begin interrupt handler processing. Each interrupt source of a device has a specific interrupt handler.

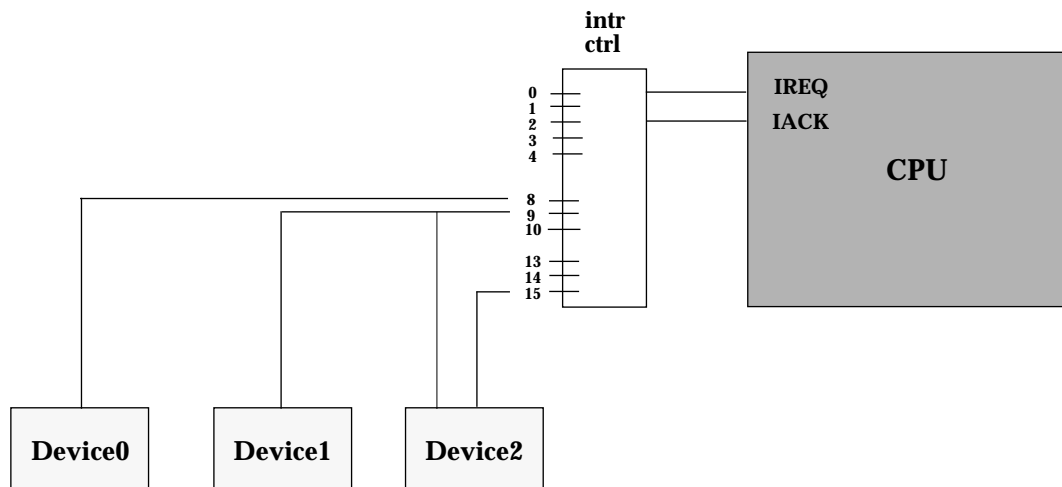


Figure 6-1 IRQ Lines

### Interrupt Specification

The *interrupt specification* is the information the system needs in order to link the device interrupt source with a specific device interrupt handler. It describes the information provided by the hardware to the system when making an interrupt request. Since an interrupt specification is bus specific, the information it contains will vary from bus to bus.

Interrupt specifications typically include a *bus-interrupt level*. For *vectored interrupts* the specifications include an *interrupt vector*. On x86 platforms the interrupt specification defines the relative interrupt priority of the device. Since interrupt specifications are bus specific, see isa(4), eisa(4), mca(4), sbus(4), vme(4), and pci(4) for information on interrupt specifications for these buses.

## *Interrupt Number*

When registering interrupts the driver must provide the system with an *interrupt number*. This interrupt number identifies the interrupt specification (with bus-specific interrupt information) for which the driver is registering a handler. Most devices have one interrupt—interrupt number equals zero. However, there are devices that have different interrupts for different events. A communications controller may have one interrupt for *receive ready* and one for *transmit ready*. The device driver normally knows how many interrupts the device has, but if the driver has to support several variations of a controller, it can call `ddi_dev_nintrs(9F)` to find out the number of device interrupts. For a device with  $n$  interrupts, the interrupt numbers range from 0 to  $n-1$ .

## *Interrupt Block Cookies*

The *iblock cookie* is an opaque data structure that is returned from either `ddi_get_iblock_cookie()` or `ddi_add_intr()`. These interfaces use an interrupt number to return the iblock cookie associated with a specific interrupt source.

The *iblock cookie* gives the system information on how to block interrupts. It is passed to `mutex_init()` when allocating driver mutexes to be used in the interrupt routine. See `mutex_init(9F)` for more information.

## *Bus-Interrupt Levels*

Buses prioritize device interrupts at one of several *bus-interrupt levels*. These bus interrupt levels are then mapped to different processor-interrupt levels. For example, SBus devices that interrupt at SBus level 7 interrupt at SPARC level 9 on SPARCstation 2 systems.

## *High-Level Interrupts*

A bus-interrupt level that maps to a CPU interrupt priority level above the scheduler priority level is called a *high-level interrupt*. High-level interrupts must be handled without using system services that manipulate threads. In particular, the only kernel routines that high-level interrupt handlers are allowed to call are:

- `mutex_enter(9F)` and `mutex_exit(9F)` on a mutex initialized with an interrupt block cookie associated with the high-level interrupt.
- `ddi_trigger_softintr(9F)`.

A bus-interrupt level by itself does not determine whether a device interrupts at high level: a given bus-interrupt level may map to a high-level interrupt on one platform, but map to an ordinary interrupt on another platform.

The driver can choose whether or not to support devices that have high-level interrupts, but it *always* has to check —it *cannot* assume that its interrupts are not high-level. The function `ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)`, given an interrupt number, returns a value indicating whether the interrupt is high level. For information on checking for high-level interrupts see “Registering Interrupts” on page 120.

## *Types of Interrupts*

There are two common ways in which buses implement interrupts: *vectored* and *polled*. Both methods commonly supply a bus-interrupt priority level. However, vectored devices also supply an interrupt vector; polled devices do not.

### *Vectored Interrupts*

Devices that use vectored interrupts are assigned an *interrupt vector*. This is a number that identifies a particular interrupt handler. This vector may be fixed, configurable (using jumpers or switches), or programmable. In the case of programmable devices, an interrupt device cookie is used to program the device interrupt vector. When the interrupt handler is registered, the kernel saves the vector in a table.

When the device interrupts, the system enters the *interrupt acknowledge cycle*, asking the interrupting device to identify itself. The device responds with its interrupt vector. The kernel then uses this vector to find the responsible interrupt handler.

The VMEbus supports vectored interrupts.



## *Polled Interrupts*

In *polled* (or *autovectored*) devices, the only information the system has about a device interrupt is either the bus interrupt priority level (IPL, on a SBus in a SPARC machine, for example) or the interrupt request number (IRQ on an ISA bus in an x86 machine, for example).

When an interrupt handler is registered, the system adds the handler to a list of potential interrupt handlers for each IPL or IRQ. Once the interrupt occurs, the system must determine which device, of all the devices associated with a given IPL or IRQ, actually interrupted. It does this by calling all the interrupt handlers for the designated IPL or IRQ, until one handler *claims* the interrupt.

The SBus, ISA, EISA, MCA, and PCI buses are capable of supporting polled interrupts.

## *Software Interrupts*

The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI supports *software interrupts*, also known as *soft interrupts*. Soft interrupts are not initiated by a hardware device; they are initiated by software. Handlers for these interrupts must also be added to and removed from the system. Soft interrupt handlers run in interrupt context and therefore can be used to do many of the tasks that belong to an interrupt handler.

Commonly, hardware interrupt handlers are supposed to perform their tasks quickly, since they may suspend other system activity while running. This is particularly true for high-level interrupt handlers, which operate at priority levels greater than that of the system scheduler. High-level interrupt handlers mask the operations of all lower priority interrupts—including those of the system clock. Consequently, the interrupt handler must be very careful not to involve itself in an activity (such as acquiring a mutex) that might cause it to sleep.

If the handler sleeps, then the system may hang since the clock is masked and incapable of scheduling the sleeping process. For this reason, high-level interrupt handlers normally perform a minimum amount of work at high priority levels and delegate remaining tasks to software interrupts, which run below the priority level of the high-level interrupt handler. Since software interrupt handlers run below the priority level of the system scheduler, they

can do the work that the high-level interrupt handler was incapable of doing. For more information on high-level interrupts, see “Handling High-Level Interrupts” on page 124.

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**Note** – Drivers have the option of using a high-level mutex to protect shared data between the high-level interrupt handler and the soft interrupt handler. See “High-level Mutexes” on page 125.

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Software interrupt handlers must not assume that they have work to do when they run, since (like hardware interrupt handlers) they can run because some other driver triggered a soft interrupt. For this reason, the driver must indicate to the soft interrupt handler that it should do work before triggering the soft interrupt.

## *Registering Interrupts*

Before a device driver can receive and service interrupts, it must register them with the system by calling `ddi_add_intr(9F)`. This provides the system with a way to associate an interrupt handler with an interrupt specification. This interrupt handler is called when the device might have been responsible for the interrupt. It is the handlers responsibility to determine if it should handle the interrupt and, if so, claim it.

The following steps are usually performed in `attach(9E)`:

- Test for high-level interrupts.

Call `ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)` to find out if the interrupt specification maps to a high-level interrupt. If it does, one possibility is to post a message to that effect and return `DDI_FAILURE`. Code Example 6-1 on page 121 does this.

- Get the iblock cookie by calling `ddi_get_iblock_cookie(9F)`.
- Initialize any associated mutexes with the iblock cookie by calling `mutex_init()`.
- Register the interrupt handler by calling `ddi_add_intr(9F)`.

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**Note** – There is a potential race condition between adding the interrupt handler and initializing mutexes. The interrupt routine is eligible to be called as soon as `ddi_add_intr(9F)` returns, as another device might interrupt and

cause the handler to be invoked. This may result in the interrupt routine being called before any mutexes have been initialized with the returned interrupt block cookie. If the interrupt routine acquires the mutex before it has been initialized, undefined behavior may result. To ensure that this race condition does not occur, always initialize mutexes and any other data used in the interrupt handler before adding the interrupt.

*Code Example 6-1* attach(9E) routine with temporary interrupt handler

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    if (cmd != DDI_ATTACH)
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    ...
    if (ddi_intr_hilevel(dip, inumber) != 0){
        cmn_err(CE_CONT,
            "xx: high-level interrupts are not supported\n");
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
    ddi_get_iblock_cookie(dip, inumber, &xsp->iblock_cookie);
    mutex_init(&xsp->mu, "xx mutex", MUTEX_DRIVER,
        (void *) xsp->iblock_cookie);
    cv_init(&xsp->cv, "xx cv", CV_DRIVER, NULL);
    if (ddi_add_intr(dip, inumber, &xsp->iblock_cookie,
        &xsp->idevice_cookie, xxintr, (caddr_t)xsp) != DDI_SUCCESS){
        cmn_err(CE_WARN, "xx: cannot add interrupt handler.");
        goto failed;
    }
    return (DDI_SUCCESS);
failed:
    remove interrupt handler if necessary, destroy mutex and condition variable
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}
```

## *Responsibilities of an Interrupt Handler*

The interrupt handler has a set of responsibilities to perform. Some are required by the framework, and some are required by the device. All interrupt handlers are required to do the following:

1. Determine if the device is interrupting and possibly reject the interrupt.

The interrupt handler must first examine the device and determine if it has issued the interrupt. If it has not, the handler must return `DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED`. This step allows the implementation of *device polling*: it tells the system whether this device, among a number of devices at the given interrupt priority level, has issued the interrupt.

2. Inform the device that it is being serviced.

This is a device-specific operation, but is required for the majority of devices. For example, SBus devices are required to interrupt until the driver tells them to stop. This guarantees that all SBus devices interrupting at the same priority level will be serviced.

Most vectored devices, on the other hand, stop interrupting after the bus interrupt acknowledge cycle; however, their internal state still indicates that they have interrupted but have not been serviced yet.

3. Perform any I/O request related processing.

Devices interrupt for different reasons, such as *transfer done* or *transfer error*. This step may involve using data access functions to read the device's data buffer, examine the device's error register, and set the status field in a data structure accordingly.

Interrupt dispatching and processing is relatively expensive. The following points apply to interrupt processing:

- Do only what absolutely requires interrupt context.
- Do any additional processing that could save another interrupt, for example, read the next data from the device.

4. Return `DDI_INTR_CLAIMED`.

*Code Example 6-2* Interrupt routine

```
static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg, int type)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *) arg;
    u_char      status, temp;

    /*
     * Claim or reject the interrupt. This example assumes
     * that the device's CSR includes this information.
     */
}
```

```
mutex_enter(&xsp->high_mu);
/* use data access routines to read status */
status = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle,
    (uchar_t *)&xsp->regp->csr);

if (!(status & INTERRUPTING)) {
    mutex_exit(&xsp->high_mu);
    return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED); /* dev not interrupting */
}
/*
 * Inform the device that it is being serviced, and re-enable
 * interrupts. The example assumes that writing to the
 * CSR accomplishes this. The driver must ensure that this data
 * access operation makes it to the device before the interrupt
 * service routine returns. For example, using the data access
 * functions to read the CSR, if it does not result in unwanted
 * effects, can ensure this.
 */
ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, (uchar_t *)&xsp->regp->csr,
    CLEAR_INTERRUPT | ENABLE_INTERRUPTS);
temp = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle,
    (uchar_t *) &xsp->regp->csr);

perform any I/O related and synchronization processing
signal waiting threads (biodone(9F) or cv_signal(9F))
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}
```

When the system detects an interrupt on a bus architecture that does not support vectored hardware, it calls the driver interrupt handler function for each device that could have issued the interrupt. The interrupt handler must determine whether the device it handles issued an interrupt.

On architectures supporting vectored interrupts, this step is unnecessary, but not harmful, and it enhances portability. The syntax and semantics of the interrupt handling routine therefore can be the same for both vectored interrupts and polling interrupts.

In the model presented here, the argument passed to `xxintr()` is a pointer to the state structure for the device that may have issued the interrupt. This was set up by passing a pointer to the state structure as the *intr\_handler\_arg* argument to `ddi_add_intr(9F)` in `attach(9E)`.

Most of the steps performed by the interrupt routine depend on the specifics of the device itself. Consult the hardware manual for the device to determine the cause of the interrupt, detect error conditions, and access the device data registers.

## *State Structure*

This section adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
ddi_iblock_cookie_t    high_iblock_cookie;
ddi_idevice_cookie_t  high_idevice_cookie;
kmutex_t               high_mu;
int                    softint_running;
ddi_iblock_cookie_t    low_iblock_cookie;
kmutex_t               low_mu;
ddi_softintr_t         id;
```

## *Handling High-Level Interrupts*

High-level interrupts are those that interrupt at the level of the scheduler and above. This level does not allow the scheduler to run; therefore, high-level interrupt handlers cannot be preempted by the scheduler, nor can they rely on the scheduler (cannot block)—they can only use mutual exclusion locks for locking.

Because of this, the driver must use `ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)` to determine if it uses high-level interrupts. If `ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)` returns true, the driver can fail to attach; or it can use a two-level scheme to handle interrupts. Properly handling high-level interrupts is the preferred solution.

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**Note** – By writing the driver as if it always uses high level interrupts, a separate case can be avoided. However, this does result in an extra (software) interrupt for each hardware interrupt.

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The suggested method is to add a high-level interrupt handler, which just triggers a lower-priority software interrupt to handle the device. The driver should allow more concurrency by using a separate mutex for protecting data from the high-level handler.

## High-level Mutexes

A mutex initialized with the interrupt block cookie that represents a high-level interrupt is known as a *high-level mutex*. While holding a high-level mutex, the driver is subject to the same restrictions as a high-level interrupt handler. The only routines it can call are:

- `mutex_exit(9F)` to release the high-level mutex.
- `ddi_trigger_softintr(9F)` to trigger a soft interrupt.

## Example

In the model presented here, the high-level mutex (`xsp->high_mu`) is only used to protect data shared between the high-level interrupt handler and the soft interrupt handler. This includes a queue that the high-level interrupt handler appends data to (and the low-level handler removes data from), and a flag that indicates the low-level handler is running. A separate low-level mutex (`xsp->low_mu`) is used to protect the rest of the driver from the soft interrupt handler.

*Code Example 6-3* `attach(9E)` routine handling high-level interrupts

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    ...
    if (ddi_intr_hilevel(dip, inumber)) {
        ddi_get_iblock_cookie(dip, inumber,
            &xsp->high_iblock_cookie);
        mutex_init(&xsp->high_mu, "xx high mutex", MUTEX_DRIVER,
            (void *)xsp->high_iblock_cookie);
        if (ddi_add_intr(dip, inumber, &xsp->high_iblock_cookie,
            &xsp->high_idevice_cookie, xxhighintr, (caddr_t) xsp)
            != DDI_SUCCESS)
            goto failed;
        ddi_get_soft_iblock_cookie(dip, DDI_SOFTINT_HI,
            &xsp->low_iblock_cookie);
        mutex_init(&xsp->low_mu, "xx low mutex", MUTEX_DRIVER,
            (void *) xsp->low_iblock_cookie);
    }
```

```

        if (ddi_add_softintr(dip, DDI_SOFTINT_HI, &xsp->id,
            &xsp->low_iblock_cookie, NULL,
            xxlowintr, (caddr_t)xsp)) != DDI_SUCCESS)
            goto failed;
    } else {
        add normal interrupt handler
    }
    cv_init(&xsp->cv, "xx condvar", CV_DRIVER, NULL);
    ...
    return (DDI_SUCCESS);
failed:
    free allocated resources, remove interrupt handlers
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}

```

The high-level interrupt routine services the device, and enqueues the data. The high-level routine triggers a software interrupt if the low-level routine is not running.

**Code Example 6-4** High-level interrupt routine

```

static u_int
xxhighintr(caddr_t arg, int type)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    u_char status, temp;
    int need_softint;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->high_mu);
    /* read status */
    status = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle,
        (uchar_t *)&xsp->regp->csr);
    if (!(status & INTERRUPTING)) {
        mutex_exit(&xsp->high_mu);
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED); /* dev not interrupting */
    }

    ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, (uchar_t *) &xsp->regp->csr,
        CLEAR_INTERRUPT | ENABLE_INTERRUPTS);
    temp = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle,
        (uchar_t *)&xsp->regp->csr);
    read data from device and queue the data for the low-level interrupt handler;

```



```

    if (xsp->softint_running)
        need_softint = 0;
    else
        need_softint = 1;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->high_mutex);
    /* read-only access to xsp->id, no mutex needed */
    if (need_softint)
        ddi_trigger_softintr(xsp->id);
    return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```

The low-level interrupt routine is started by the high-level interrupt routine triggering a software interrupt. Once running, it should continue to do so until there is nothing left to process.

*Code Example 6-5* Low-level interrupt routine

```

static u_int
xxlowintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *) arg;
    ....
    mutex_enter(&xsp->low_mu);
    mutex_enter(&xsp->high_mu);
    if (queue empty || xsp->softint_running) {
        mutex_exit(&xsp->high_mu);
        mutex_exit(&xsp->low_mu);
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
    }
    xsp->softint_running = 1;
    while (data on queue) {
        ASSERT(mutex_owned(&xsp->high_mu));
        dequeue data from high level queue;
        mutex_exit(&xsp->high_mu);
        normal interrupt processing
        mutex_enter(&xsp->high_mu);
    }
    xsp->softint_running = 0;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->high_mu);
    mutex_exit(&xsp->low_mu);
    return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```



Many devices can temporarily take control of the bus and perform data transfers to (and from) main memory or other devices. Since the device is doing the work without the help of the CPU, this type of data transfer is known as a *direct memory access* (DMA). DMA transfers can be performed between two devices, between a device and memory, or between memory and memory. This chapter describes transfers between a device and memory only.

## *The DMA Model*

The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI provides a high-level, architecture-independent model for DMA. This allows the framework (the DMA routines) to hide architecture-specific details such as:

- Setting up DMA mappings
- Building scatter-gather lists.
- Ensuring I/O and CPU caches are consistent.

There are several abstractions that are used in the DDI/DKI to describe aspects of a DMA transaction. These include:

- DMA Object

Memory that is the source or destination of a DMA transfer.

- DMA Handle

An opaque object returned from a successful `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)` call. The DMA handle is used in successive DMA subroutine calls to refer to the DMA object.

- DMA Cookie

A `ddi_dma_cookie(9S)` structure (`ddi_dma_cookie_t`) describes a contiguous portion of a DMA object that is entirely addressable by the device. It contains DMA addressing information required to program the DMA engine.

Rather than knowing that a platform needs to map an *object* (typically a memory buffer) into a special DMA area of the kernel address space, device drivers instead allocate DMA *resources* for the object. The DMA routines then perform any platform-specific operations needed to set the object up for DMA access. The driver receives a DMA *handle* to identify the DMA resources allocated for the object. This handle is opaque to the device driver; the driver must save the handle and pass it in subsequent calls to DMA routines, but should not interpret it in any way.

Operations are defined on a DMA handle that provide the following services:

- Manipulating DMA resources
- Synchronizing DMA objects
- Retrieving attributes of the allocated resources

## Types of Device DMA

Devices may perform one of the following three types of DMA:

### **Bus Master DMA**

If the device is capable of acting as a true bus master (where the DMA engine resides on the device board), the driver should program the device's DMA registers directly. The transfer address and count is obtained from the DMA cookie and given to the device.

Devices on current SPARC platforms use this form of DMA exclusively.

### ***Third-party DMA***

Third-party DMA utilizes a system DMA engine resident on the main system board, which has several DMA channels available for use by devices. The device relies on the system's DMA engine to perform the data transfers between the device and memory. The driver uses DMA engine routines (see `ddi_dmae(9F)`) to initialize and program the DMA engine. For each DMA data transfer, the driver programs the DMA engine and then gives the device a command to initiate the transfer in cooperation with that engine.

### ***First-party DMA***

Under first-party DMA, the device drives its own DMA bus cycles using a channel from the system's DMA engine. The `ddi_dmae_1stparty(9F)` function is used to configure this channel in a cascade mode such that the DMA engine will not interfere with the transfer.

## ***DMA and DVMA***

The platform that the device operates on may provide one of two types of memory access: Direct Memory Access (DMA) or Direct Virtual Memory Access (DVMA).

On platforms that support DMA, the device is provided with a physical address by the system in order to perform transfers. In this case, one logical transfer may actually consist of a number of physically discontinuous transfers. An example of this occurs when an application transfers a buffer that spans several contiguous virtual pages that map to physically discontinuous pages. In order to deal with the discontinuous memory, devices for these platforms usually have some kind of scatter/gather DMA capability. Typically the system that supports x86 platforms provides physical addresses for direct memory transfers.

On platforms that support DVMA, the device is provided with a virtual address by the system in order to perform transfers. In this case, the underlying platform provides some form of MMU which translates device accesses to these virtual addresses into the proper physical addresses. The device transfers to and from a contiguous virtual image that may be mapped to discontinuous virtual pages. Devices that operate in these platforms don't need scatter/gather DMA capability. Typically the system which supports SPARC platforms provides virtual addresses for direct memory transfers.

## *Handles, Windows and Cookies*

A DMA *handle* is an opaque pointer representing an object (usually a memory buffer or address) where a device can perform DMA transfer. The handle is used in several different calls to DMA routines to identify the DMA resources allocated for the object.

An object represented by a DMA handle is completely covered by one or more *DMA cookies*. A DMA cookie represents a contiguous piece of memory to or from which the DMA engine can transfer data. The system uses the information in the DMA attribute structure, and the memory location and alignment of the target object, to decide how to divide an object into multiple cookies.

If the object is too big to fit the request within system resource limitations, it has to be broken up into multiple *DMA windows*. Only one window is activated at one time and has resources allocated. The `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)` function is used to position between windows within an object. Each DMA window consists of one or more DMA cookies.

### *Scatter/Gather*

Some DMA engines may be able to accept more than one cookie. Such engines can perform scatter/gather I/O without the help of the system. In this case, it is most efficient if the driver uses `ddi_dma_nextcookie(9F)` to get as many cookies as the DMA engine can handle and program them all into the engine. The device can then be programmed to transfer the total number of bytes covered by all these DMA cookies combined.

## *DMA Operations*

The steps involved in a DMA transfer are similar among the types of DMA.

### ***Bus-master DMA***

In general, here are the steps that must be followed to perform bus-master DMA.

1. Describe the DMA attributes. This allows the routines to ensure that the device will be able to access the buffer.
2. Allocate a DMA handle.

3. Lock the DMA object in memory (see `physio(9F)`).

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**Note** – This step is not necessary in block drivers for buffers coming from the file system, as the file system has already locked the data in memory.

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4. Allocate DMA resources for the object.
5. Program the DMA engine on the device and start it (this is device-specific).  
When the transfer is complete, continue the bus master operation:
6. Perform any required object synchronizations.
7. Release the DMA resources.
8. Free the DMA handle.

### ***First-party DMA***

In general, here are the steps that must be performed to perform first-party DMA.

1. Allocate a DMA channel.
2. Configure the channel with `ddi_dmae_1stparty(9F)`.
3. Lock the DMA object in memory (see `physio(9F)`).

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**Note** – This step is not necessary in block drivers for buffers coming from the file system, as the file system has already locked the data in memory.

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4. Allocate DMA resources for the object.
5. Program the DMA engine on the device and start it (this is device-specific).  
When the transfer is complete, continue the bus master operation:
6. Perform any required object synchronizations.
7. Release the DMA resources.
8. Deallocate the DMA channel.
9. Free the DMA handle.

### ***Third-party DMA***

In general, here are the steps that must be performed for third-party DMA.

1. Allocate a DMA channel.
2. Retrieve the system's DMA engine attributes with `ddi_dmae_getattr(9F)`.
3. Lock the DMA object in memory (see `physio(9F)`).

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**Note** – This step is not necessary in block drivers for buffers coming from the file system, as the file system has already locked the data in memory.

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4. Allocate DMA resources for the object.
5. Program the system DMA engine to perform the transfer with `ddi_dmae_prog(9F)`.
6. Perform any required object synchronizations.
7. Stop the DMA engine with `ddi_dmae_stop(9F)`.
8. Release the DMA resources.
9. Deallocate the DMA channel.
10. Free the DMA handle.

Certain hardware platforms may restrict DMA capabilities in a bus-specific way. Drivers should use `ddi_slaveonly(9F)` to determine if the device is in a slot in which DMA is possible. For an example, see “`attach()`” on page 105.

### ***DMA attributes***

DMA attributes describe the built-in attributes and limits of a DMA engine. These include:

- Limits on addresses the device can access
- Maximum transfer count
- Address alignment restrictions



To ensure that DMA resources allocated by the system can be accessed by the device's DMA engine, device drivers must inform the system of their DMA engine limitations using a `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` structure. The system may impose additional restrictions on the device attributes, but it never removes any of the driver-supplied restrictions.

### `ddi_dma_attr(9S)`

All DMA resource-allocation routines take a pointer to a DMA attribute structure as an argument (see Code Example 7-1 on page 144). The DMA attribute structure has the following members:

```

uint_t          dma_attr_version; /* version number of this structure */
unsigned long long dma_attr_addr_lo; /* lower bound of bus address range */
unsigned long long dma_attr_addr_hi; /* inclusive upper bound of range */
unsigned long long dma_attr_count_max; /* max DMA transfer count - 1 */
unsigned long long dma_attr_align; /* DMA address alignment */
uint_t          dma_attr_burstsizes; /* DMA burstsize */
uint_t          dma_attr_minxfer; /* minimum DMA transfer size */
unsigned long long dma_attr_maxxfer; /* max transfer size of a single I/O */
unsigned long long dma_attr_seg; /* segment boundary restriction */
int             dma_attr_sgllen; /* length of DMA scatter/gather list */
uint_t          dma_attr_granular; /* granularity of transfer count */
int             dma_attr_flags; /* set to 0 */

```

`dma_attr_addr_lo` is the lowest bus address that the DMA engine can access.

`dma_attr_addr_hi` is the highest bus address that the DMA engine can access.

`dma_attr_count_max` specifies the maximum transfer count that the DMA engine can handle in one cookie. The limit is expressed as the maximum count minus one. It is used as a bit mask, so it must also be one less than a power of two.

`dma_attr_align` specifies additional alignment requirements for any allocated DMA resources. This field can be used to force more restrictive alignment than implicitly specified by other DMA attributes such as alignment on a page boundary.

`dam_attr_burstsizes` specifies the *burst sizes* that the device supports. A burst size is the amount of data the device can transfer before relinquishing the bus. This member is a binary encoding of burst sizes, assumed to be powers of

two. For example, if the device is capable of doing 1, 2, 4, and 16 byte bursts, this field should be set to 0x17. The system also uses this field to determine alignment restrictions.

`dma_attr_minxfer` is the minimum effective transfer size the device can perform. It also influences alignment and padding restrictions.

`dma_attr_maxxfer` describes the maximum number of bytes that the DMA engine can transmit or receive in one I/O command. This limitation is only significant if it is less than  $(\text{dma\_attr\_count\_max} + 1) * \text{dma\_attr\_seg}$ . If the DMA engine has no particular limitation, this field should be set to 0xFFFFFFFF.

`dma_attr_seg` is the upper bound of the DMA engine's address register. This is often used where the upper 8 bits of an address register are a latch containing a segment number, and the lower 24 bits are used to address a segment. In this case, `dma_attr_seg` would be set to 0xFFFFF, and prevents the system from crossing a 24-bit segment boundary when allocating resources for the object.

`dma_attr_sgllen` specifies the maximum number of entries in the scatter/gather list. It is the number of segments or cookies that the DMA engine can consume in one I/O request to the device. If the DMA engine has no scatter/gather list, this field should be set to one.

`dma_attr_granular` field describes the granularity of the device's DMA transfer ability, in units of bytes. This value is used to specify, for example, the sector size of a mass storage device. DMA requests will be broken into multiples of this value. If there is no scatter/gather capability, then the size of each DMA transfer will be a multiple of this value. If there is scatter/gather capability, then a single segment will not be smaller than the minimum transfer value, but may be less than the granularity; however the total transfer length of the scatter/gather list will be a multiple of the granularity value.

`dma_attr_flags` is reserved for future use. It must be set to 0.

### *SBus—Example One*

A DMA engine on a SBus in a SPARC machine has the following attributes:

- It can only access addresses ranging from 0xFF000000 to 0xFFFFFFFF.
- It has a 32-bit DMA counter register
- It can handle byte aligned transfers

- It supports 1, 2 and 4-byte burst sizes.
- It has a minimum effective transfer size of 1 byte.
- It has a 32-bit address register.
- It doesn't have a scatter/gather list.
- The device operates on sectors only [eg a tape]

The resulting attribute structure is:

```
static ddi_dma_attr_t attributes = {
    DMA_ATTR_V0,    /* Version number */
    0xFF000000,    /* low address */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* high address */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* counter register max */
    1,              /* byte alignment */
    0x7,           /* burst sizes: 0x1 | 0x2 | 0x4 */
    0x1,           /* minimum transfer size */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* max xfer size */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* address register max */
    1,             /* no scatter/gather */
    512,           /* device operates on sectors */
    0,             /* attr flag: set to 0 */
};
```

### *VMEbus—Example Two*

A DMA engine on a VMEbus in a SPARC machine has the following attributes:

- It can address the full 32-bit range.
- It has a 32-bit DMA counter register.
- It can handle byte aligned transfers.
- It supports 2 to 256-byte burst sizes, and all powers of 2 in between.
- It has a minimum effective transfer size of 2 bytes.
- It has a 24-bit address register
- It has a 17 element scatter/gather list.
- The device operates on sectors only.

The resulting attribute structure is:

```
static ddi_dma_attr_t attributes = {
    DMA_ATTR_V0,    /* Version number */
    0x00000000,    /* low address */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* high address */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* counter register max */
    1,              /* byte alignment */
    0x1FE,         /* burst sizes */
};
```

```

        0x2,          /* minimum transfer size */
        0xFFFFFFFF, /* max xfer size */
        0xFFFFFFFF, /* address register max */
        17,         /* no scatter/gather */
        512,        /* device operates on sectors */
        0,          /* attr flag: set to 0 */
};

```

### *ISAbus—Example Three*

A DMA engine on an ISA bus in an x86 machine has the following attributes:

- It only access the first 16 megabytes of memory
- It can perform transfers to segments up to 32k in size
- It has a 16 bit counter register
- It can handle byte aligned transfers
- It supports 1, 2 and 4-byte burst sizes.
- It has a minimum effective transfer size of 1 byte.
- It can hold up to 17 scatter/gather transfers.

The resulting attribute structure is:

```

static ddi_dma_attr_t attributes = {
    DMA_ATTR_V0, /* Version number */
    0x00000000, /* low address */
    0x00FFFFFF, /* high address */
    0xFFFF,     /* counter register max */
    1,          /* byte alignment */
    0x7,        /* burst sizes */
    0x1,        /* minimum transfer size */
    0xFFFFFFFF, /* max xfer size */
    0x00007FFF, /* address register max */
    17,         /* no scatter/gather */
    512,        /* device operates on sectors */
    0,          /* attr flag: set to 0 */
};

```

### *Example Four*

A DMA engine on a PCI bus in a PowerPC machine has the following attributes:

- It can address the full 32-bit range.

- It has a 32-bit DMA counter register.
- It can handle byte aligned transfers
- It supports 1, 2 and 4-byte burst sizes.
- It has a minimum effective transfer size of 1 byte.
- It can hold up to 17 scatter/gather transfers.

The resulting attribute structure is:

```
static ddi_dma_attr_t attributes = {
    DMA_ATTR_V0,    /* Version number */
    0x00000000,    /* low address */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* high address */
    0xFFFFFFFF,    /* counter register max */
    1,              /* byte alignment */
    0x7,           /* burst sizes */
    0x1,           /* minimum transfer size */
    0xFFFFFFFF,   /* max xfer size */
    0xFFFFFFFF,   /* address register max */
    17,           /* 17 scatter/gather entries*/
    512,          /* device operates on sectors */
    0,            /* attr flag: set to 0 */
};
```

## Object Locking

Before allocating the DMA resources for a memory object, the object must be prevented from moving. If it is not, the system may remove the object from memory while the device is writing to it, causing the data transfer to fail and possibly corrupting the system. The process of preventing memory objects from moving during a DMA transfer is known as *locking down the object*.

---

**Note** – Locking objects in memory is not related to the type of locking used to protect data.

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The following object types do not require explicit locking:

- Buffers coming from the file system through `strategy(9E)`. These buffers are already locked by the file system.
- Kernel memory allocated within the device driver, such as that allocated by `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)`.

For other objects (such as buffers from user space), `physio(9F)` must be used to lock down the objects. This is usually performed in the `read(9E)` or `write(9E)` routines of a character device driver. See “Data Transfer Methods” on page 170 for an example.

### *Allocating a DMA Handle*

A DMA handle is an opaque object that is used as a reference to subsequently allocated DMA resources. It is usually allocated in the driver’s attach entry point using `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)`. `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)` takes the device information referred to by `dip` and the device’s DMA attributes described by a `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` structure as parameters.

```
int ddi_dma_alloc_handle(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_dma_attr_t *attr,
    int (*callback)(void *), void *arg,
    ddi_dma_handle_t *handlep);
```

`dip` is a pointer to the device’s `dev_info` structure.

`attr` is a pointer to a `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` structure as described in “DMA attributes” on page 134.

`waitfp` is the address of callback function for handling resource allocation failures.

`arg` is the argument to pass to the callback function.

`handlep` is a pointer to DMA handle (to store the returned handle).

## Handling Resource Allocation Failures

The resource-allocation routines provide the driver several options when handling allocation failures. The `waitfp` argument indicates whether the allocation routines will block, return immediately, or schedule a callback.

<b><i>waitfp</i></b>	<b>Indicated Action</b>
DDI_DMA_DONTWAIT	Driver does not wish to wait for resources to become available.
DDI_DMA_SLEEP	Driver is willing to wait indefinitely for resources to become available.
Other values	The address of a function to be called when resources are likely to be available.

## Allocating DMA Resources

Two interfaces are provided for allocating DMA resources:

- `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` — Used with buffer structures.
- `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)` — Used with virtual addresses.

Table 7-1 lists the appropriate DMA resource allocation interfaces for different classes of DMA objects.

*Table 7-1* DMA Resource Allocation Interfaces

<b>Type of Object</b>	<b>Resource Allocation Interface</b>
Memory allocated within the driver using <code>ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)</code>	<code>ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)</code>
Requests from the file system through <code>strategy(9E)</code>	<code>ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)</code>
Memory in user space that has been locked down using <code>physio(9F)</code>	<code>ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)</code>

DMA resources are usually allocated in the driver's `xxstart()` routine, if one exists. See "Asynchronous Data Transfers" on page 201 for discussion of `xxstart()`.

```
int ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,
    struct as *as, caddr_t addr,
    uint_t len, uint_t flags, int (*waitfp)(caddr_t),
    caddr_t arg, ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep, uint_t *ccountp);

int ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,
    struct buf *bp, uint_t flags,
    int (*waitfp)(caddr_t), caddr_t arg,
    ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep, uint_t *ccountp);
```

`ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)` and `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` take the following arguments:

`handle` is a DMA handle.

The object to allocate resources for. For `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)`, the object is described by an address range:

`as` is a pointer to an address space structure (this must be `NULL`).

`addr` is the base kernel address of the object.

`len` is the length of the object in bytes.

For `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)`, the object is described by a `buf(9S)` structure:

`bp` is a pointer to a `buf(9S)` structure.

`flags` is a set of flags indicating the transfer direction and other attributes. `DDI_DMA_READ` indicates a data transfer from device to memory; `DDI_DMA_WRITE` indicates a data transfer from memory to device. See `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)` or `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` for a complete discussion of the allowed flags.

`waitfp` is the address of callback function for handling resource allocation failures. [XXX See `ddi_dma_alloc_handle()`]

`arg` is the argument to pass to the callback function.

`cookiep` is a pointer to the first DMA cookie for this object

`ccountp` is a pointer to the number of DMA cookies for this object



## State Structure

This section adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```

struct buf          *bp;          /* current transfer */
ddi_dma_handle_t   handle;
struct xxiopb      *iopb_array; /* for I/O Parameter Blocks */
ddi_dma_handle_t   iopb_handle;

```

## Device Register Structure

Devices that do DMA have more registers than have been used in previous examples. This section adds the following fields to the device register structure to support DMA-capable device examples:

For DMA engines without Scatter/gather support

```

volatile caddr_t   dma_addr; /* starting address for DMA */
volatile u_int     dma_size; /* amount of data to transfer */

```

For DMA engines with Scatter/gather support

```

struct sglentry {
    volatile caddr_t   dma_addr;
    volatile u_int     dma_size;
} sglist[SGLLEN];
volatile caddr_t   iopb_addr; /* When written informs device of the next */
                               /* command's parameter block address. */
                               /* When read after an interrupt, contains */
                               /* the address of the completed command. */

```

## Callback Example

In Code Example 7-1 `xxstart()` is used as the callback function and the per-device state structure is given as its argument. `xxstart()` attempts to start the command. If the command cannot be started because resources are not available, `xxstart()` is scheduled to be called sometime later, when resources might be available.

Since `xxstart()` is used as a DMA callback, it must follow these rules imposed on DMA callbacks:

- It must not assume that resources are available (it must try to allocate them again).
- It must indicate to the system whether allocation succeed by returning `DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_RUNOUT` if it fails to allocate resources (and needs to be called again later) or `DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE` indicating success (so no further callback is necessary).

*Code Example 7-1* Allocating DMA resources

```
static int
xxstart(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *) arg;
    struct device_reg *regp;
    int flags;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    if (xsp->busy) {
        /* transfer in progress */
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (0);
    }
    xsp->busy = 1;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    regp = xsp->regp;
    if (transfer is a read) {
        flags = DDI_DMA_READ;
    } else {
        flags = DDI_DMA_WRITE;
    }
    if (ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(xsp->handle, xsp->bp, flags, xxstart,
        (caddr_t)xsp, &cookie, &ccount) != DDI_DMA_MAPPED) {
        /* really should check all return values in a switch */
        return (DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_RUNOUT);
    }
    ...
    program the DMA engine
    ...
    return (DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE);
}
```

## Burst Sizes

Drivers specify the burst sizes their device supports in the `dma_attr_burstsizes` field of the `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` structure. This is a bitmap of the supported burst sizes. However, when DMA resources are allocated, the system might impose further restrictions on the burst sizes that may actually be used by the device. The `ddi_dma_burstsizes(9F)` routine can be used to obtain the allowed burst sizes. It returns the appropriate burst size bitmap for the device. When DMA resources are allocated, a driver can ask the system for appropriate burst sizes to use for its DMA engine.

```
#define BEST_BURST_SIZE 0x20 /* 32 bytes */

if (ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(xsp->handle, xsp->bp, flags, xxstart,
    (caddr_t)xsp, &cookie, &ccount) != DDI_DMA_MAPPED) {
    /* error handling */
    return (0);
}

burst = ddi_dma_burstsizes(xsp->handle);
/* check which bit is set and choose one burstsize to program the DMA engine */
if (burst & BEST_BURST_SIZE) {
    program DMA engine to use this burst size
} else {
    other cases
}
```

## Programming the DMA Engine

When the resources have been successfully allocated, the device must be programmed. Although programming a DMA engine is device-specific, all DMA engines require a starting address and a transfer count. Device drivers retrieve these two values from the *DMA cookie* returned by a successful call from `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)`, `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` or `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)`. The latter functions all return the first DMA cookie and a cookie count indicating whether the DMA object consists of more than one cookie. If the cookie count *N* is greater than 1, `ddi_dma_nextcookie(9F)` has to be called *N*-1 times to retrieve all the remaining cookies.

A cookie is of type `ddi_dma_cookie(9S)` and has the following fields:

```

unsigned long  dmac_address; /* unsigned 32 bit address */
u_int         dmac_size;    /* unsigned 32 bit size */
u_int         dmac_type;    /* bus-specific type bits */

```

The `dmac_address` field of the cookie contains the DMA transfer's starting address and `dmac_size` contains the transfer count. Depending on the bus architecture, the third field in the cookie may be required by the driver. The driver should not perform any manipulations, such as logical or arithmetic, on the cookie.

For example:

```

ddi_dma_cookie_t  cookie;

if (ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(xsp->handle,xsp->bp,flags, xxstart,
    (caddr_t)xsp, &cookie, &xsp->ccount) != DDI_DMA_MAPPED) {
    /* error handling */
    return (0);
}
sglp = regp->sglist;
for (cnt = 1; cnt <= SGLLEN; cnt++, sglp++) {
    /* store the cookie parms into the S/G list */
    ddi_putl(xsp->access_hdl, sglp->dma_size,
        (ulong)cookie.dmac_size);
    ddi_putl(xsp->access_hdl, sglp->dma_addr,
        (caddr_t)cookie.dmac_address);
    /* Check for end of cookie list */
    if (cnt == xsp->ccount)
        break;
    /* Get next DMA cookie */
    (void) ddi_dma_nextcookie(xsp->handle, &cookie);
}

/* start DMA transfer */
ddi_putl(xsp->access_hdl, regp->csr,
    ENABLE_INTERRUPTS | START_TRANSFER);

```

---

**Note** - `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` may return more DMA cookies than fit into the Scatter/gather list. In this case, the driver has to continue the transfer in the interrupt routine and reprogram the Scatter/gather list with the remaining DMA cookies.

---

## Freeing the DMA Resources

After a DMA transfer completes (usually in the interrupt routine), the DMA resources may be released by calling `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)`.

As described in “Synchronizing Memory Objects” on page 150, `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)` calls `ddi_dma_sync(9F)`, eliminating the need for any explicit synchronization. After calling `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)`, the DMA resources become invalid, and further references to them have undefined results. Code Example 7-2 shows how to use `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)`.

*Code Example 7-2* Freeing DMA resources

```
static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    u_char status, temp;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    /* read status */
    status = ddi_getl(xsp->access_hdl, xsp->regp->csr);
    if (!(status & INTERRUPTING)) {
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
    }
    ddi_putl(xsp->access_hdl, xsp->regp->csr, CLEAR_INTERRUPT);
    /* for store buffers */
    temp = ddi_getl(xsp->access_hdl, xsp->regp->csr);
    ddi_dma_unbind_handle(xsp->handle);
    ...
    check for errors
    ...
    xsp->busy = 0;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);

    if (pending transfers) {
        (void) xxstart((caddr_t) xsp);
    }
    return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}
```

The DMA resources should be released and reallocated if a different object will be used in the next transfer. However, if the same object is always used, the resources may be allocated once and continually reused as long as there are intervening calls to `ddi_dma_sync(9F)`.

### *Freeing the DMA handle*

When the driver gets unloaded the DMA handle must be freed. `ddi_dma_free_handle(9F)` destroys the DMA handle and any residual resources the system may be caching on the handle. Any further references of the DMA handle will have undefined results.

```
void ddi_dma_free_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t *handlep);
```

`handlep` is a pointer to the DMA handle.

### *Cancelling DMA Callbacks*

DMA callbacks cannot be cancelled. This requires some additional code in the drivers `detach(9E)` routine, since it must not return `DDI_SUCCESS` if there are any outstanding callbacks. When DMA callbacks occur, the `detach(9E)` routine must wait for the callback to run and must prevent it from rescheduling itself. This can be done using additional fields in the state structure:

```
int            cancel_callbacks; /* detach(9E) sets this to */
                                     /* prevent callbacks from */
                                     /* rescheduling themselves */
int            callback_count; /* number of outstanding
                                     /* callbacks */
kmutex_t      callback_mutex; /* protects callback_count and */
                                     /* cancel_callbacks. */
kcondvar_t    callback_cv; /* condition is that
                                     /* callback_count is zero*/
                                     /* detach(9E) waits on it */
```

*Code Example 7-3* Cancelling DMA callbacks

```
static int
xxdetach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    ...
    mutex_enter(&xsp->callback_mutex);
```

```

        xsp->cancel_callbacks = 1;
        while (xsp->callback_count > 0) {
            cv_wait(&xsp->callback_cv, &xsp->callback_mutex);
        }
        mutex_exit(&xsp->callback_mutex);
        ...
    }
static int
xxstrategy(struct buf *bp)
{
    ...
    mutex_enter(&xsp->callback_mutex);
    xsp->bp = bp;
    error = ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(xsp->handle, xsp->bp, flags,
        xxdmacallback, (caddr_t)xsp, &cookie, &ccount);
    if (error == DDI_DMA_NORESOURCES)
        xsp->callback_count++;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->callback_mutex);
    ...
}
static int
xxdmacallback(caddr_t callbackarg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)callbackarg;
    ...
    mutex_enter(&xsp->callback_mutex);
    if (xsp->cancel_callbacks) {
        /* do not reschedule, in process of detaching */
        xsp->callback_count--;
        if (xsp->callback_count == 0)
            cv_signal(&xsp->callback_cv);
        mutex_exit(&xsp->callback_mutex);
        return (DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE); /* don't reschedule it */
    }
    /*
     * Presumably at this point the device is still active
     * and will not be detached until the DMA has completed.
     * A return of 0 means try again later
     */
    error = ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(xsp->handle, xsp->bp, flags,
        DDI_DMA_DONTWAIT, NULL, &cookie, &ccount);
    if (error == DDI_DMA_MAPPED) {
        ...
        program the DMA engine
    }
}

```

```
    ...
    xsp->callback_count--;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->callback_mutex);
    return (DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE);
}
if (error != DDI_DMA_NORESOURCES) {
    xsp->callback_count--;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->callback_mutex);
    return (DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE);
}
mutex_exit(&xsp->callback_mutex);
return (DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_RUNOUT);
}
```

## *Synchronizing Memory Objects*

At various points when the memory object is accessed (including the time of removal of the DMA resources), the driver may need to synchronize the memory object with respect to various caches. This section gives guidelines on when and how to synchronize memory objects.

### *Cache*

Cache is a very high-speed memory that sits between the CPU and the system's main memory (CPU cache), or between a device and the system's main memory (I/O cache). This is illustrated in Figure 7-1.



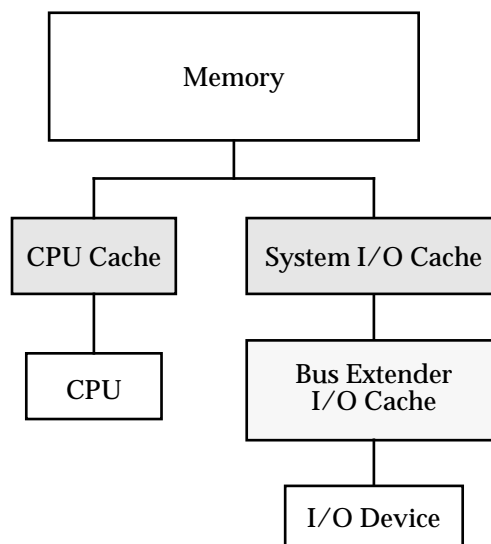


Figure 7-1 CPU and system I/O caches

When an attempt is made to read data from main memory, the associated cache first checks to see if it contains the requested data. If so, it very quickly satisfies the request. If the cache does not have the data, it retrieves the data from main memory, passes the data on to the requestor, and saves the data in case that data is requested again.

Similarly, on a write cycle, the data is stored in the cache very quickly and the CPU or device is allowed to continue executing (transferring). This takes much less time than it otherwise would if the CPU or device had to wait for the data to be written to memory.

An implication of this model is that after a device transfer has completed, the data may still be in the I/O cache but not yet in main memory. If the CPU accesses the memory, it may read the wrong data from the CPU cache. To ensure a consistent view of the memory for the CPU, the driver must call a synchronization routine to write the data from the I/O cache to main memory and update the CPU cache with the new data. Similarly, a synchronization step is required if data modified by the CPU is to be accessed by a device.

There may also be additional caches and buffers in between the device and memory, such as caches associated with bus extenders or bridges. `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` is provided to synchronize *all* applicable caches.

### `ddi_dma_sync( )`

If a memory object has multiple mappings—such as for a device (through the DMA handle), and for the CPU—and one mapping is used to modify the memory object, the driver needs to call `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` to ensure that the modification of the memory object is complete before accessing the object through another mapping. `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` may also inform other mappings of the object that any cached references to the object are now stale. Additionally, `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` flushes or invalidates stale cache references as necessary.

Generally, the driver has to call `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` when a DMA transfer completes. The exception to this is that deallocating the DMA resources (`ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)`) does an implicit `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` on behalf of the driver.

```
int ddi_dma_sync(ddi_dma_handle_t handle, off_t off,
                u_int length, u_int type);
```

If the object is going to be read by the DMA engine of the device, the device's view of the object must be synchronized by setting *type* to `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORDEV`. If the DMA engine of the device has written to the memory object, and the object is going to be read by the CPU, the CPU's view of the object must be synchronized by setting *type* to `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU`.

Here is an example of synchronizing a DMA object for the CPU:

```
if (ddi_dma_sync(xsp->handle, 0, length, DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU)
    == DDI_SUCCESS) {
    /* the CPU can now access the transferred data */
    ...
} else {
    error handling
}
```

If the only mapping that concerns the driver is one for the kernel (such as memory allocated by `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)`), the flag `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORKERNEL` can be used. This is a hint to the system that if it can synchronize the kernel's view faster than the CPU's view, it can do so; otherwise, it acts the same as `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU`.

## DMA Windows

It may not be possible for the system to allocate resources for a large object. If this happens, the transfer must be broken into a series of smaller ones. The driver can either do this itself, or let the system allocate resources for only part of the object (creating a series of DMA *windows*). Allowing the system to do it is the preferred solution, as the system can manage the resources more effectively than the driver.

A DMA window has attributes *offset* (from the beginning of the object) and *length*. After a partial allocation, only a range of *length* bytes starting at *offset* has resources allocated for it.

A DMA window is requested by specifying the `DDI_DMA_PARTIAL` flag as a parameter to `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` or `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)`. Both functions return `DDI_DMA_PARTIAL_MAP` if a window can be established. However, the system may decide to allocate resources for the entire object (less overhead) in which case `DDI_DMA_MAPPED` is returned. The driver should check the return value (see Code Example 7-4) to determine if DMA windows are in use.

### State Structure

This section adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
int partial;          /* DMA object partially mapped, use windows */
int nwin;            /* number of DMA windows for this object */
int windex;         /* index of the current active window */
```

#### Code Example 7-4 Setting up DMA Windows

```
static int
xxstart (caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *) arg;
    struct device_reg *regp = xsp->reg;
    ddi_dma_cookie_t cookie;
    int status;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    if (xsp->busy) {
        /* transfer in progress */
```

```

        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (0);
    }
    xsp->busy = 1;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    if (transfer is a read) {
        flags = DDI_DMA_READ;
    } else {
        flags = DDI_DMA_WRITE;
    }
    flags |= DDI_DMA_PARTIAL;
    status = ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(xsp->handle, xsp->bp,
        flags, xxstart, (caddr_t) xsp, &cookie, &ccount);
    if (status != DDI_DMA_MAPPED &&
        status != DDI_DMA_PARTIAL_MAP)
        return (0);
    if (status == DDI_DMA_PARTIAL_MAP) {
        (void) ddi_dma_numwin(xsp->handle, &xsp->nwin);
        xsp->partial = 1;
        xsp->windex = 0;
    } else {
        xsp->partial = 0;
    }
    ...
    program the DMA engine
    ...
    return (1);
}

```

There are two functions operating with DMA windows. The first, `ddi_dma_numwin(9F)`, returns the number of DMA windows for a particular DMA object. The other function, `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)`, allows repositioning (reallocation of system resources) within the object. It shifts the current window to a new window within the object. Because `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)` reallocates system resources to the new window, the previous window becomes invalid.

---

**Caution** – It is a severe error to call `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)` before transfers into the current window are complete.

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`ddi_dma_getwin(9F)` is normally called from an interrupt routine; see Code Example 7-5. The first DMA transfer is initiated as a result of a call to the driver. Subsequent transfers are started from the interrupt routine.

The interrupt routine examines the status of the device to determine if the device completed the transfer successfully. If not, normal error recovery occurs. If the transfer was successful, the routine must determine if the logical transfer is complete (the entire transfer specified by the `buf(9S)` structure) or if this was only one DMA window. If it was only one window, it moves the window with `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)`, retrieves a new cookie, and starts another DMA transfer.

If the logical request has completed, the interrupt routine checks for pending requests and starts a transfer if necessary. Otherwise, it returns without invoking another DMA transfer. The usual flow control is illustrated in Code Example 7-5:

*Code Example 7-5* Interrupt handler using DMA windows

```
static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    u_char status, temp;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);

    /* read status */
    status = ddi_getl(xsp->access_hdl, xsp->regp->csr);
    if (!(status & INTERRUPTING)) {
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
    }
    ddi_putl(xsp->access_hdl, xsp->regp->csr, CLEAR_INTERRUPT);

    /* for store buffers */
    temp = ddi_getl(xsp->access_hdl, xsp->regp->csr);
    if (an error occurred during transfer) {
        bioerror(xsp->bp, EIO);
        xsp->partial = 0;
    } else {
        xsp->bp->b_resid -= amount transferred;
    }
}
```

```

if (xsp->partial && (++xsp->windex < xsp->nwin)) {
    /* device still marked busy to protect state */
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    (void) ddi_dma_getwin(xsp->handle, xsp->windex,
        &offset, &len, &cookie, &ccount);

    program the DMA engine with the new cookie(s)
    ...
    return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}
ddi_dma_unbind_handle(xsp->handle);
biodone(xsp->bp);
xsp->busy = 0;
xsp->partial = 0;
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
if (pending transfers) {
    (void) xxstart((caddr_t)xsp);
}
return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```

## Allocating Private DMA Buffers

Some device drivers may need to allocate memory for DMA transfers to or from a device, in addition to doing transfers requested by user threads and the kernel. Examples of this are setting up shared memory for communication with the device and allocating intermediate transfer buffers.

`ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)` is provided for allocating memory for DMA transfers.

```

int ddi_dma_mem_alloc(ddi_dma_handle_t handle, uint_t length,
    ddi_device_acc_attr_t *accattrp, ulong_t xfermodes,
    int (*callback)(void *), void *arg, caddr_t *kaddrp,
    uint_t *real_length, ddi_acc_handle_t *handlep);

```

`handle` is a DMA handle.

`length` is the length in bytes of the desired allocation.

`accattrp` is a pointer to a device access attribute structure.

`xfermodes` are data transfer mode flags.

`callback` is the address of callback function for handling resource allocation failures. [XXX See `ddi_dma_alloc_handle()`]

`arg` is the argument to pass to the callback function.

`kaddrp` is a pointer (on a successful return) that contains the address of the allocated storage.

`real_length` is the length in bytes that was allocated.

`handlep` is a pointer to a data access handle.

`xfermodes` should be set to `DDI_DMA_CONSISTENT` if the device accesses in a non-sequential fashion, or if synchronization steps using `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` should be as lightweight as possible (due to frequent use on small objects). This type of access is commonly known as *consistent* access. I/O parameter blocks that are used for communication between a device and the driver are set up this way.

On x86 systems, `DDI_DMA_CONSISTENT` can be used to allocate memory that is physically contiguous as well as consistent.

Code Example 7-6 is an example of how to allocate IOPB memory and the necessary DMA resources to access it. DMA resources must still be allocated, and the `DDI_DMA_CONSISTENT` flag must be passed to the allocation function.

**Code Example 7-6** Using `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)`

```
if (ddi_dma_mem_alloc(xsp->iopb_handle, size, &accattr,
    DDI_DMA_CONSISTENT, DDI_DMA_SLEEP, NULL, &xsp->iopb_array,
    &real_length, &xsp->acchandle) != DDI_SUCCESS) {
    error handling
    goto failure;
}
if (ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(xsp->iopb_handle, NULL,
    xsp->iopb_array, real_length,
    DDI_DMA_READ | DDI_DMA_CONSISTENT, DDI_DMA_SLEEP,
    NULL, &cookie, &count) != DDI_DMA_MAPPED) {
    error handling
    ddi_dma_mem_free(&xsp->acchandle);
    goto failure;
}
```

`xfermodes` should be set to `DDI_DMA_STREAMING` if the device is doing sequential, unidirectional, block-sized and block-aligned transfers to or from memory. This type of access is commonly known as *streaming* access.

For example, if an I/O transfer can be sped up by using an I/O cache, which at a minimum transfers (flushes) one cache line, `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)` will round the size to a multiple of the cache line to avoid data corruption.

`ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)` returns the actual size of the allocated memory object. Because of padding and alignment requirements the actual size might be larger than the requested size. `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)` requires the actual length.

`ddi_dma_mem_free(9F)` is used to free the memory allocated by `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)`.

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**Note** – If the memory is not properly aligned, the transfer will succeed but the system will pick a different (and possibly less efficient) transfer mode that requires less restrictions. For this reason, `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)` is preferred over `kmem_alloc(9F)` when allocating memory for the device to access.

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## `ddi_dma_devalign( )`

After allocating DMA resources for private data buffers, `ddi_dma_devalign(9F)` should be used to determine the minimum required data alignment and minimum effective transfer size.

Although the starting address for the DMA transfer will be aligned properly, the offset passed to `ddi_dma_htoc(9F)` allows the driver to start a transfer anywhere within the object, eventually bypassing alignment restrictions. The driver should therefore check the alignment restrictions prior to initiating a transfer and align the offset appropriately.

The driver should also check the minimum effective transfer size. The minimum effective transfer size indicates, for writes, how much of the mapped object will be affected by the minimum access. For reads it indicates how much of the mapped object will be accessed.

For memory allocated with `ddi_iopb_alloc(9F)`, the minimum transfer size will usually be one byte. This means that positioning randomly within the mapped object is possible. For memory allocated with `ddi_mem_alloc(9F)`, the minimum transfer size is usually larger as caches might be activated that only operate on entire cache lines (line size granularity).



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### *Example*

```
if (ddi_dma_devalign(xsp->handle, &align, &mineffect) ==
    DDI_FAILURE) {
    error handling
    goto failure;
}
align = max(align, mineffect);
/* adjust offset for ddi_dma_htoc(9F) */
```



## *Drivers for Character Devices*

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This chapter describes the structure of a character device driver. The entry points of a character device driver are the main focus. In addition, the use of `physio(9F)`—in `read(9E)` and `write(9E)`—and `aphysio(9F)`—in `aread(9E)` and `awrite(9E)`—are discussed in the context of synchronous and asynchronous I/O transfers.

### *Driver Structure Overview*

Figure 8-1 on page 162 shows data structures and routines that define the structure of a character device driver. Device drivers typically include the following:

- Device loadable driver section
- Device configuration section
- Device access section

### *Character Driver Device Access*

The shaded device access section in Figure 8-1 illustrates character driver entry points.

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**Note** – For a description of block drivers and block driver device access, see Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices”.

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## Character Device Driver

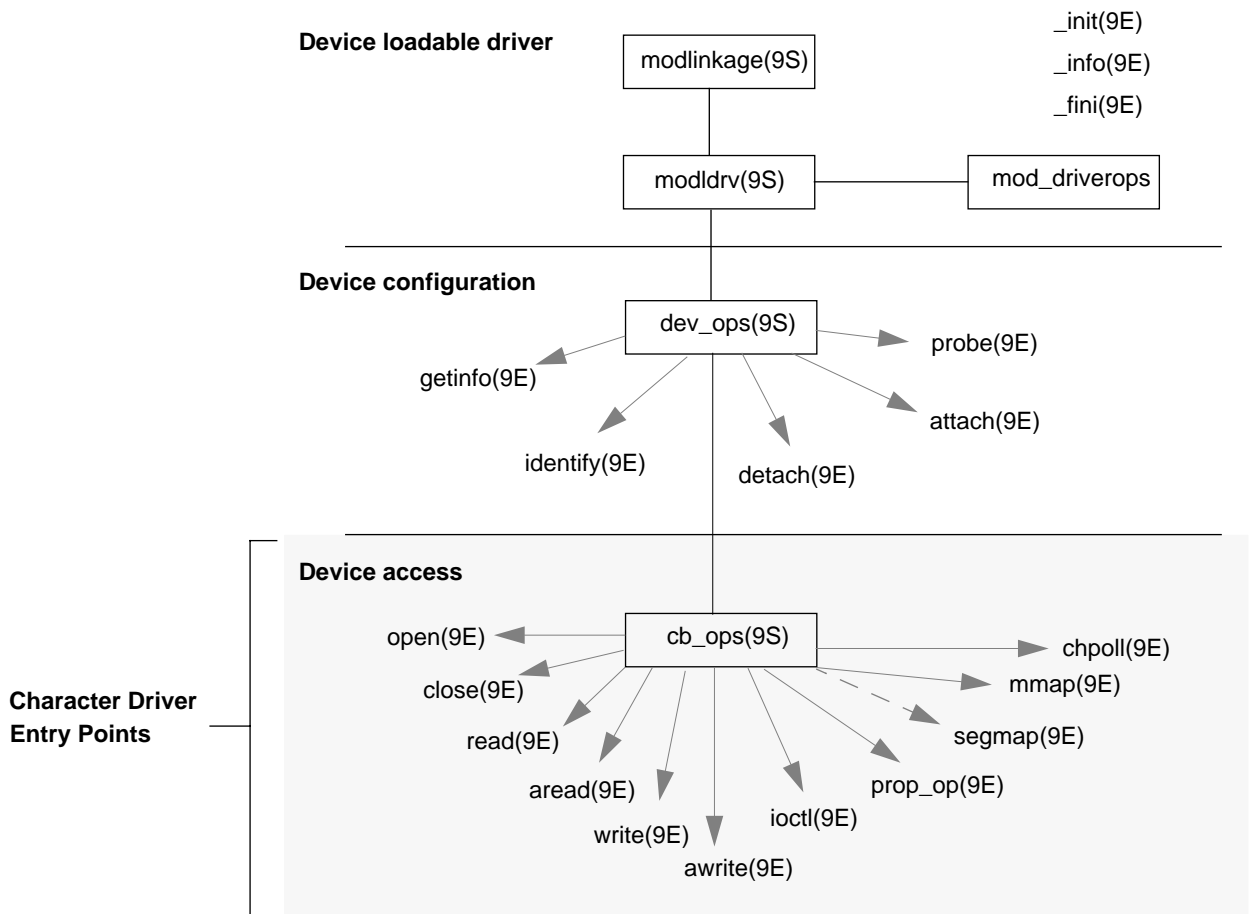


Figure 8-1 Character driver roadmap

## Entry Points

Associated with each device driver is a `dev_ops(9S)` structure, which in turn refers to a `cb_ops(9S)` structure. These structures contain pointers to the driver entry points and must be set by the driver. Table 8-1 lists the character device driver autoconfiguration routines and entry points.

*Table 8-1* Character driver autoconfiguration routines and entry points

Entry Point	Description
<code>_init(9E)</code>	Initializes the loadable driver module.
<code>_info(9E)</code>	Returns the loadable driver module information.
<code>_fini(9E)</code>	Prepares a loadable driver module for unloading.
<code>identify(9E)</code>	Identifies whether the device driver supports a physical device.
<code>probe(9E)</code>	Determines if a device is present.
<code>attach(9E)</code>	Performs device-specific initialization.
<code>detach(9E)</code>	Removes device-specific state.
<code>getinfo(9E)</code>	Gets device driver information.
<code>open(9E)</code>	Gains access to a device.
<code>close(9E)</code>	Relinquishes access to a device.
<code>read(9E)</code>	Reads data from device.
<code>aread(9E)</code>	Reads data asynchronously from device.
<code>write(9E)</code>	Writes data to device.
<code>awrite(9E)</code>	Writes data asynchronously to device.
<code>ioctl(9E)</code>	Performs arbitrary operations.
<code>prop_op(9E)</code>	Manages arbitrary driver properties.
<code>mmap(9E)</code>	Checks virtual mapping for a memory mapped device.
<code>segmap(9E)</code>	Maps device memory into user space.
<code>chpoll(9E)</code>	Polls device for events.

**Note** – Some of these entry points may be replaced by `nodev(9F)` or `nulldev(9F)` as appropriate.

## Autoconfiguration

The `attach(9E)` routine should perform the common initialization tasks that all devices require. Typically, these tasks include:

- Allocating per-instance state structures
- Registering device interrupts
- Mapping the device's registers
- Initializing mutex and condition variables
- Creating minor nodes

See “`attach()`” on page 105 for code examples of these tasks.

Character device drivers create minor nodes of type `S_IFCHR`. This causes a character special file representing the node to eventually appear in the `/devices` hierarchy.

### Code Example 8-1 Character driver `attach(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    switch (cmd) {
    case DDI_ATTACH:
        allocate a state structure and initialize it.
        map the device's registers.
        add the device driver's interrupt handler(s).
        initialize any mutexes and condition variables.

        /*
         * Create the device's minor node. Note that the node_type
         * argument is set to DDI_NT_TAPE.
         */
        if (ddi_create_minor_node(dip, "minor_name", S_IFCHR,
            minor_number, DDI_NT_TAPE, 0) == DDI_FAILURE) {
            free resources allocated so far.
            /* Remove any previously allocated minor nodes */
            ddi_remove_minor_node(dip, NULL);
            return (DDI_FAILURE);
        }
        ...
        return (DDI_SUCCESS);
    }
```

```
        default:
            return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
}
```

## Controlling Device Access

Access to a device by one or more application programs is controlled through the `open(9E)` and `close(9E)` entry points. The `open(9E)` routine of a character driver is always called whenever an `open(2)` system call is issued on a special file representing the device. For a particular minor device, `open(9E)` may be called many times, but the `close(9E)` routine is called only when the final reference to a device is removed. If the device is accessed through file descriptors, this is by a call to `close(2)` or `exit(2)`. If the device is accessed through memory mapping, this could also be by a call to `mmap(2)`.

`open( )`

```
int xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp);
```

The primary function of `open(9E)` is to verify that the open request is allowed.

*Code Example 8-2* Character driver `open(9E)` routine.

```
static int
xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
{
    int    instance;

    if (getminor(*devp) is invalid)
        return (EINVAL);

    instance = getminor(*devp); /* one-to-one example mapping */
    /* Is the instance attached? */
    if (ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance) == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    /* verify that otyp is appropriate */
    if (otyp != OTYP_CHR)
        return (EINVAL);

    if ((flag & FWRITE) && drv_priv(credp) == EPERM)
        return (EPERM);
}
```

```

        return (0);
    }

```

`devp` is a pointer to a device number. The `open(9E)` routine is passed a pointer so that the driver can change the minor number. This allows drivers to dynamically create minor instances of the device. An example of this might be a pseudo-terminal driver that creates a new pseudo-terminal whenever the driver is opened. A driver that chooses the minor number dynamically, normally creates only one minor device node in `attach(9E)` with `ddi_create_minor_node(9F)`, then changes the minor number component of `*devp` using `makedevice(9F)` and `getmajor(9F)`:

```

    *devp = makedevice(getmajor(*devp), new_minor);

```

The driver must keep track of available minor numbers internally.

`otyp` indicates how `open(9E)` was called. The driver must check that the value of `otyp` is appropriate for the device. For character drivers, `otyp` should be `OTYP_CHR` (see the `open(9E)` manual page).

`flag` contains bits indicating whether the device is being opened for reading (`FREAD`), writing (`FWRITE`), or both. User threads issuing the `open(2)` system call can also request exclusive access to the device (`FEXCL`) or specify that the open should not block for any reason (`FNDELAY`), but it is up to the driver to enforce both cases. A driver for a write-only device such as a printer might consider an open for reading invalid.

`credp` is a pointer to a credential structure containing information about the caller, such as the user ID and group IDs. Drivers should not examine the structure directly, but should instead use `drv_priv(9F)` to check for the common case of root privileges. In this example, only `root` is allowed to open the device for writing.

```

close( )

```

```

int xxclose(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp);

```

`close(9E)` should perform any cleanup necessary to finish using the minor device, and prepare the device (and driver) to be opened again. For example, the open routine might have been invoked with the exclusive access (`FEXCL`) flag. A call to `close(9E)` would allow further opens to continue. Other functions that `close(9E)` might perform are:

- Wait for I/O to drain from output buffers before returning.



- Rewind a tape (tape device).
- Hang up the phone line (modem device).

## *I/O Request Handling*

This section gives the details of I/O request processing: from the application to the kernel, the driver, the device, the interrupt handler, and back to the user.

### *User Addresses*

When a user thread issues a `write(2)` system call, it passes the address of a buffer in user space:

```
char buffer[] = "python";
count = write(fd, buffer, strlen(buffer) + 1);
```

The system builds a `uio(9S)` structure to describe this transfer by allocating an `iovec(9S)` structure and setting the `iov_base` field to the address passed to `write(2)`; in this case, `buffer`. The `uio(9S)` structure is what is passed to the driver `write(9E)` routine (see “Vectored I/O” below for more information about the `uio(9S)` structure).

A problem is that this address is in user space, not kernel space, and so is not guaranteed to be currently in memory. It is not even guaranteed to be a valid address. In either case, accessing a user address directly from the device driver or from the kernel could crash the system, so device drivers should never access user addresses directly. Instead, they should always use one of the data transfer routines in the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI that transfer data into or out of the kernel; see “Copying Data” on page 391 and “`uio(9S)` Handling” on page 447 for a summary of the available routines. These routines are able to handle page faults, either by bringing the proper user page in and continuing the copy transparently, or by returning an error on an invalid access.

Two routines commonly used are `copyout(9F)` to copy data from kernel space to user space and `copyin(9F)` to copy data from user space to kernel space. `ddi_copyout(9F)` and `ddi_copyin(9F)` operate similarly but are to be used in the `ioctl(9E)` routine. `copyin(9F)` and `copyout(9F)` can be used on the buffer described by each `iovec(9S)` structure, or `uiomove(9F)` can perform the entire transfer to or from a contiguous area of driver (or device) memory.

## Vectored I/O

In character drivers, transfers are described by a `uio(9S)` structure. The `uio(9S)` structure contains information about the direction and size of the transfer, plus an array of buffers for one end of the transfer (the other end is the device). Below is a list of `uio(9S)` structure members that are important to character drivers.

`uio( )`

The `uio` structure contains the following members:

```

iovec_t    *uio_iov; /* base address of the iovec buffer */
                /* description array */
int        uio_iovcnt; /* the number of iovec structures */
off_t      uio_offset; /* offset into device where data is */
                /* transferred from or to */
offset_t    uio_loffset; /* 64-bit offset into file where data */
                /* is transferred from or to. */
int        uio_resid; /* amount (in bytes) not transferred on */
                /* completion */

```

A `uio(9S)` structure is passed to the driver `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` entry points. This structure is generalized to support what is called *gather-write* and *scatter-read*. When writing to a device, the data buffers to be written do not have to be contiguous in application memory. Similarly, when reading from a device into memory, the data comes off the device in a contiguous stream but can go into noncontiguous areas of application memory. See `readv(2)`, `writenv(2)`, `pread(2)` and `pwrite(2)` for more information on scatter/gather I/O.

Each buffer is described by an `iovec(9S)` structure. This structure contains a pointer to the data area and the number of bytes to be transferred.

```

caddr_t    iov_base; /* address of buffer */
int        iov_len; /* amount to transfer */

```

The `uio` structure contains a pointer to an array of `iovec(9S)` structures. The base address of this array is held in `uio_iov`, and the number of elements is stored in `uio_iovcnt`.

The `uio_offset` field contains the 32-bit offset into the device at which the application wants to begin the transfer. `uio_loffset` is used for 64-bit file offsets. If the device does not support the notion of an offset these fields can be

safely ignored. The driver should interpret either `uio_offset` or `uio_loffset` (but not both). If the driver has set the `D_64BIT` flag in the `cb_ops(9S)` structure, it should use `uio_loffset`.

The `uio_resid` field starts out as the number of bytes to be transferred (the sum of all the `iov_len` fields in `uio_iov`) and *must* be set by the driver to the number of bytes *not* transferred before returning. The `read(2)` and `write(2)` system calls use the return value from the `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` entry points to determine if the transfer failed (and then return -1). If the return value indicates success, the system calls return the number of bytes requested minus `uio_resid`. If `uio_resid` is not changed by the driver, the `read(2)` and `write(2)` calls will return 0 (indicating end-of-file), even though all the data was transferred.

The support routines `uio_move(9F)`, `physio(9F)` and `aphysio(9F)` update the `uio(9S)` structure directly. If they are used, no driver adjustments are necessary.

## *Synchronous vs. Asynchronous I/O*

Data transfers can be *synchronous* or *asynchronous* depending on whether the entry point scheduling the transfer returns immediately or waits until the I/O is complete.

The `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` entry points are synchronous entry points; they must not return until the I/O is complete. Upon return from the routines, the process knows whether the transfer has succeeded or not.

The `aread(9E)` and `awrite(9E)` entry points are asynchronous entry points. They schedule the I/O and return immediately. Upon return, the process issuing the request knows that the I/O has been scheduled and that the status of the I/O must be determined later. In the meantime, the process may perform other operations.

When an asynchronous I/O request is made to the kernel by a user process, the process is not required to wait while the I/O is in process. A process can perform multiple I/O requests and let the kernel handle the data transfer details. This is useful in applications such as transaction processing where concurrent programming methods may take advantage of asynchronous kernel I/O operations to increase performance or response time. Any boost in performance for applications using asynchronous I/O, however, comes at the expense of greater programming complexity.

## Data Transfer Methods

Data can be transferred using either programmed I/O or DMA. These data transfer methods may be used by either synchronous or asynchronous entry points, depending on the capabilities of the device.

### Programmed I/O Transfers

Programmed I/O devices rely on the CPU to perform the data transfer. Programmed I/O data transfers are identical to other device register read and write operations. Various data access routines are used to read or store values to device memory. See “Data Access Functions” on page 55 for more information.

```
uiomove( )
```

`uiomove(9F)` may be used to transfer data to some programmed I/O devices. `uiomove(9F)` transfers data between the user space (defined by the `uio(9S)` structure) and the kernel. `uiomove(9F)` can handle page faults so the memory to which data is transferred need not be locked down. It also updates the `uio_resid` field in the `uio(9S)` structure. The following example is one way to write a ramdisk `read(9E)` routine. It uses synchronous I/O and relies on the presence of the following fields in the ramdisk state structure:

```
    caddr_t    ram;        /* base address of ramdisk */
    int        ramsize;    /* size of the ramdisk */
```

#### Code Example 8-3 Ramdisk `read(9E)` routine using `uiomove(9F)`

```
static int
rd_read(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    int instance;
    rd_devstate_t *rsp;
    instance = getminor(dev);
    rsp = ddi_get_soft_state(rd_statep, instance);
    if (rsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);
    if (uiop->uio_offset >= rsp->ramsize)
        return (EINVAL);
    /*
     * uiomove takes the offset into the kernel buffer,
     * the data transfer count (minimum of the requested and
```

```

        * the remaining data), the UIO_READ flag, and a pointer
        * to the uio structure.
        */
return (uiomove(rsp->ram + uiop->uio_offset,
               min(uiop->uio_resid, rsp->ramsize - uiop->uio_offset),
               UIO_READ, uiop));
}

```

`uwritec( )` **and** `ureadc( )`

Another example of programmed I/O might be a driver writing data one byte at a time directly to the device's memory. Each byte is retrieved from the `uio(9S)` structure using `uwritec(9F)`, then sent to the device. `read(9E)` can use `ureadc(9F)` to transfer a byte from the device to the area described by the `uio(9S)` structure.

*Code Example 8-4* Programmed I/O write(9E) routine using `uwritec(9F)`

```

static int
xxwrite(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    int    instance;
    int    value;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    while (uiop->uio_resid > 0) {
        /*
         * do the programmed I/O access
         */
        value = uwritec(uiop);
        if (value == -1)
            return (EFAULT);
        ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->data,
                (u_char)value);
        ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr,
                START_TRANSFER);

        regp->data = (u_char)value;
        regp->csr = START_TRANSFER;
        /* this device requires a ten microsecond delay */
    }
}

```

```

        /* between writes */
        drv_usecwait(10);
    }
    return (0);
}

```

### ***DMA Transfers (Synchronous)***

Most character drivers use `physio(9F)` to do most of the setup work for DMA transfers in `read(9E)` and `write(9E)`.

```

int physio(int (*strat)(struct buf *), struct buf *bp,
    dev_t dev, int rw, void (*mincnt)(struct buf *),
    struct uio *uio);

```

`physio(9F)` requires the driver to provide the address of a `strategy(9E)` routine. `physio(9F)` ensures that memory space is locked down (cannot be paged out) for the duration of the data transfer. This is necessary for DMA transfers because they cannot handle page faults. `physio(9F)` also provides an automated way of breaking a larger transfer into a series of smaller, more manageable ones. See “`minphys()`” on page 175 for more information.

*Code Example 8-5* `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` routines using `physio(9F)`

```

static int
xxread(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    int instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);

    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);
    return (physio(xxstrategy, NULL, dev, B_READ, xxminphys, uiop));
}

static int
xxwrite(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    int instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
}

```

```
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);
    return (physio(xxstrategy, NULL, dev, B_WRITE,
        xxminphys, *uiop));
}
```

In the call to `physio(9F)`, `xxstrategy` is a pointer to the driver strategy routine. Passing `NULL` as the `buf(9S)` structure pointer tells `physio(9F)` to allocate a `buf(9S)` structure. If it is necessary for the driver to provide `physio(9F)` with a `buf(9S)` structure, `getrbuf(9F)` should be used to allocate one. `physio(9F)` returns zero if the transfer completes successfully, or an error number on failure. After calling `strategy(9E)`, `physio(9F)` calls `biowait(9F)` to block until the transfer completes or fails. The return value of `physio(9E)` is determined by the error field in the `buf(9S)` structure set by `bioerror(9F)`.

### ***DMA Transfers (Asynchronous)***

Character drivers supporting `aread(9E)` and `awrite(9E)` use `aphysio(9F)` instead of `physio(9F)`.

```
int aphysio(int (*strat)(struct buf *), int (*cancel)(struct buf *),
    dev_t dev, int rw, void (*mincnt)(struct buf *),
    struct aio_req *aio_reqp);
```

---

**Note** – The address of `anocancel(9F)` is the only value that can currently be passed as the second argument to `aphysio(9F)`.

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`aphysio(9F)` requires that the driver pass the address of a `strategy(9E)` routine. `aphysio(9F)` ensures that memory space is locked down (cannot be paged out) for the duration of the data transfer. This is necessary for DMA transfers because they cannot handle page faults. `aphysio(9F)` also provides an automated way of breaking a larger transfer into a series of smaller, more manageable ones. See “`minphys()`” on page 175 for more information. Code examples 8-6 and 8-7 demonstrate that the `aread(9E)` and `awrite(9E)` entry points differ only slightly from the `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` entry points; the difference lies mainly in their use of `aphysio(9F)` instead of `physio(9F)`.

*Code Example 8-6*    `aread(9E)` and `awrite(9E)` routines using `aphysio(9F)`

```

static int
xxaread(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio, cred_t *cred_p)
{
    int instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);

    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    return (aphysio(xxstrategy, anocancel, dev, B_READ, xxminphys,
        aio));
}

static int
xxawrite(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio, cred_t *cred_p)
{
    int instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);

    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    return (aphysio(xxstrategy, anocancel, dev, B_WRITE, xxminphys,
        aio));
}

```

In the call to `aphysio(9F)`, `xxstrategy` is a pointer to the driver strategy routine. Passing `NULL` as the `buf(9S)` structure pointer tells `aphysio(9F)` to allocate a `buf(9S)` structure. If it is necessary for the driver to provide `aphysio(9F)` with a `buf(9S)` structure, `getrbuf(9F)` should be used to allocate one. `aio_reqp` is passed as a parameter to `aphysio`. It is a pointer to the `aio_req(9S)` structure and is also passed to `aread(9E)` and `awrite(9F)`. `aio_reqp(9S)` describes where data is to be stored in user space. `aphysio(9F)`



returns zero if the I/O request is scheduled successfully or an error number on failure. After calling `strategy`, `aphysio(9F)` returns without waiting for the I/O to complete or fail.

`minphys( )`

`xxminphys` is a pointer to a function to be called by `physio(9F)` or `aphysio(9F)` to ensure that the size of the requested transfer does not exceed a driver-imposed limit. If the user requests a larger transfer, `strategy(9E)` will be called repeatedly, requesting no more than the imposed limit at a time. This is important because DMA resources are limited. Drivers for slow devices, such as printers, should be careful not to tie up resources for a long time.

Usually, a driver passes the address of the kernel function `minphys(9F)`, but the driver can define its own `xxminphys()` routine instead. The job of `xxminphys()` is to keep the `b_bcount` field of the `buf(9S)` structure below a driver limit. There may be additional system limits that the driver should not circumvent, so the driver `xxminphys()` routine should call the system `minphys(9F)` routine after setting the `b_bcount` field and before returning.

*Code Example 8-7* `minphys(9F)` routine

```
#define XXMINVAL (124 << 10)
static void
xxminphys(struct buf *bp)
{
    if (bp->b_bcount > XXMINVAL);
        bp->b_bcount = XXMINVAL
    minphys(bp);
}
```

`strategy( )`

The `strategy(9E)` routine originated in block drivers and is so called because it can implement a strategy for efficient queuing of I/O requests to a block device. A driver for a character-oriented device can also use a `strategy(9E)` routine. In the character I/O model presented here, `strategy(9E)` does not maintain a queue of requests, but rather services one request at a time.

In this example, the `strategy(9E)` routine for a character-oriented DMA device allocates DMA resources for synchronous data transfer and starts the command by programming the device register (see Chapter 7, “DMA,” for a detailed description).

---

**Note** - `strategy(9E)` does not receive a device number (`dev_t`) as a parameter; instead, this is retrieved from the `b_edev` field of the `buf(9S)` structure passed to `strategy(9E)`.

---

*Code Example 8-8* `strategy(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxstrategy(struct buf *bp)
{
    int    instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    ddi_dma_cookie_t  cookie;

    instance = getminor(bp->b_edev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    ...
    set up DMA resources with ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F) and
        ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)
    xsp->bp = bp; /* remember bp */
    program DMA engine and start command
    return (0);
}
```

---

**Note** - Although `strategy(9E)` is declared to return an `int`, it must always return zero.

---

On completion of the DMA transfer, the device generates an interrupt, causing the interrupt routine to be called. In this example, `xxintr()` receives a pointer to the state structure for the device that might have generated the interrupt.

**Code Example 8-9** Interrupt routine

```

static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    if (device did not interrupt) {
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
    }
    if (error) {
        error handling
    }
    release any resources used in the transfer, such as DMA resources
    (ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F) and ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F))
))
    /* notify threads that the transfer is complete */
    biodone(xsp->bp);
    return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```

The driver indicates an error by calling `bioerror(9F)`. The driver must call `biodone(9F)` when the transfer is complete or after indicating an error with `bioerror(9F)`.

## Mapping Device Memory

Some devices, such as frame buffers, have memory that is directly accessible to user threads by way of memory mapping. Drivers for these devices typically do not support the `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` interfaces. Instead, these drivers support memory mapping with the `mmap(9E)` entry point. A typical example is a frame buffer driver that implements the `mmap(9E)` entry point to allow the frame buffer to be mapped in a user thread.

```
segmap( )
```

```

int xxsegmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, struct as *asp, caddr_t *addrp,
    off_t len, unsigned int prot, unsigned int maxprot,
    unsigned int flags, cred_t *credp);

```

`segmap(9E)` is the entry point responsible for actually setting up a memory mapping requested by the system on behalf of an `mmap(2)` system call. Drivers for many memory-mapped devices may use `ddi_segmap(9F)` as the entry

point rather than define their own `segmap(9E)` routine. Drivers that need to manage multiple user contexts for a device can provide their own `segmap(9E)` routine. See Chapter 10, “Device Context Management” for more information.

```
mmap( )
int xxmmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot);
```

This routine is called as a result of an `mmap(2)` system call, and also as the result of a page fault. `mmap(9E)` is called to translate the device offset `off` to the corresponding page frame number. Code Example 8-10 allows a user thread to memory map the device registers.

*Code Example 8-10* `mmap(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxmmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot)
{
    int instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    if (prot & PROT_WRITE)
        return (-1);
    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (-1);
    if (off is invalid)
        return (-1);
    return (hat_getkpfnum(xsp->regp->csr + off));
}
```

`dev` is the device number and `off` is the offset into the device’s memory. `prot` specifies the kind of access requested, such as `PROT_READ` and `PROT_WRITE`. A value of `PROT_WRITE` for `prot` would be invalid on a read-only device. See `mmap(9E)` and `mmap(2)`.

`hat_getkpfnum(9F)` returns the page frame number for the memory that should be mapped. `xsp->regp->csr` is the memory address base of the device memory determined in `attach(9E)` by calling `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)` and stored in the state structure.

In Code Example 8-10 the whole address range up to `off` must be mapped using `ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)`. This can use a lot of system resources for devices that have a large mappable memory area and is a waste of resources if the driver only needs the mapping so it can call `hat_getkpfnum(9F)`. A better way to get the page frame number for a given offset is to just map that individual page, retrieve the page frame number, then unmap the page before returning. Since the page frame number refers to a page on the device, it will not change when the page is unmapped.

*Code Example 8-11* `mmap(9E)` routine using fewer resources

```
static int
xxmmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot)
{
    int    kpfnum = -1;
    caddr_t kva;

    ddi_device_acc_attr_t = {
        DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0,
        DDI_STRUCTURE_BE_ACC,
        DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC
    };
    ddi_acc_handle_t handle;
    ...
    if (ddi_regs_map_setup(xsp->dip, rnumber, &kva, (offset_t) off,
        (offset_t) ptob(1), &attr, &handle) ==
        DDI_SUCCESS) {
        kpfnum = hat_getkpfnum(kva);
        ddi_regs_map_free(&handle);
    }
    return (kpfnum);
}
```

If the mappable memory of the device is physically contiguous, converting `off` to the number of pages and adding it to the base page frame number will give the same result as getting the page frame number of a mapped page. In this case, only the first page of the device's memory needs to be mapped:

```
return (hat_getkpfnum(xsp->regp->csr + btop(off));
```

## Multiplexing I/O on File Descriptors

A thread sometimes wants to handle I/O on more than one file descriptor. One example is an application program that wants to read the temperature from a temperature sensing device and then report the temperature to an interactive display. If the program makes a read request and there is no data available, it should not block waiting for the temperature before interacting with the user again.

The `poll(2)` system call provides users with a mechanism for multiplexing I/O over a set of file descriptors that reference open files. `poll(2)` identifies those file descriptors on which a program can send or receive data without blocking, or on which certain events have occurred.

To allow a program to poll a character driver, the driver must implement the `chpoll(9E)` entry point.

### State Structure

This section adds the following field to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
struct pollhead pollhead; /* for chpoll(9E)/pollwakeup(9F) */
```

```
chpoll( )
```

```
int xxchpoll(dev_t dev, short events, int anyyet, short *reventsp,
             struct pollhead **phpp);
```

The system calls `chpoll(9E)` when a user process issues a `poll(2)` system call on a file descriptor associated with the device. The `chpoll(9E)` entry point routine is used by non-STREAMS character device drivers that wish to support polling.

In `chpoll(9E)`, the driver must follow the following rules:

- Implement the following algorithm when the `chpoll(9E)` entry point is called:

```
if (events are satisfied now) {
    *reventsp = mask of satisfied events;
} else {
    *reventsp = 0;
    if (!anyyet)
```

```

        *phpp = & local pollhead structure;
    }
    return (0);

```

`xxchpoll()` should check to see if certain events have occurred; see `chpoll(9E)`. It should then return the mask of satisfied events by setting the return events in `*reventsp`.

If no events have occurred, the return field for the events is cleared. If the `anyyet` field is not set, the driver must return an instance of the `pollhead` structure. It is usually allocated in a state structure and should be treated as opaque by the driver. None of its fields should be referenced.

- Call `pollwakeup(9F)` whenever a device condition of type events, listed in Code Example 8-12, occurs. This function should be called only with one event at a time. `pollwakeup(9F)` might be called in the interrupt routine when the condition has occurred.

The following two examples show how to implement the polling discipline and how to use `pollwakeup(9F)`.

*Code Example 8-12* `chpoll(9E)` routine

```

static int
xxchpoll(dev_t dev, short events, int anyyet,
        short *reventsp, struct pollhead **phpp)
{
    int    instance;
    u_char status;
    short  revent;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    revent = 0;
    /*
     * Valid events are:
     * POLLIN | POLLOUT | POLLPRI | POLLHUP | POLLERR
     * This example checks only for POLLIN and POLLERR.
     */
    status = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr);

```

```

    if ((events & POLLIN) && data available to read) {
        revent |= POLLIN;
    }
    if ((events & POLLERR) && (status & DEVICE_ERROR)) {
        revent |= POLLERR;
    }
    /* if nothing has occurred */
    if (revent == 0) {
        if (!anyyet) {
            *phpp = &xsp->pollhead;
        }
    }
    *reventsp = revent;
    return (0);
}

```

In this example, the driver can handle the `POLLIN` and `POLLERR` events (see `chpoll(9E)` for a detailed discussion of the available events). The driver first reads the status register to determine the current state of the device. The parameter `events` specifies which conditions the driver should check. If the appropriate conditions have occurred, the driver sets that bit in `*reventsp`. If none of the conditions have occurred and `anyyet` is not set, the address of the `pollhead` structure is returned in `*phpp`.

**Code Example 8-13** Interrupt routine supporting `chpoll(9E)`

```

static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *) arg;
    u_char status;

    normal interrupt processing
    ...
    status = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr);
    if (status & DEVICE_ERROR) {
        pollwakeup(&xsp->pollhead, POLLERR);
    }
    if (just completed a read) {
        pollwakeup(&xsp->pollhead, POLLIN);
    }
    ...
    return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```



`pollwakeupp(9F)` is usually called in the interrupt routine when a supported condition has occurred. The interrupt routine reads the status from the status register and checks for the conditions. It then calls `pollwakeupp(9F)` for each event to possibly notify polling threads that they should check again. Note that `pollwakeupp(9F)` should not be called with any locks held, since it could cause the `chpoll(9E)` routine to be entered, causing deadlock if that routine tries to grab the same lock.

## *Miscellaneous I/O Control*

The `ioctl(9E)` routine is called when a user thread issues an `ioctl(2)` system call on a file descriptor associated with the device. The I/O control mechanism is a catchall for getting and setting device-specific parameters. It is frequently used to set a device-specific mode, either by setting internal driver software flags or by writing commands to the device. It can also be used to return information to the user about the current device state. In short, it can do whatever the application and driver need it to do.

```
ioctl(9E)
```

```
int xxioctl(dev_t dev, int cmd, int arg, int mode,
            cred_t *credp, int *rvalp);
```

The `cmd` parameter indicates which command `ioctl(9E)` should perform. By convention, I/O control commands indicate the driver they belong to in bits 8-15 of the command (usually given by the ASCII code of a character representing the driver), and the driver-specific command in bits 0-7. They are usually created in the following way:

```
#define XXIOC ('x' << 8) /* 'x' is a character representing /*
                        /* device xx */

#define XX_GET_STATUS (XXIOC | 1) /* get status register */
#define XX_SET_CMD    (XXIOC | 2) /* send command */
```

The interpretation of `arg` depends on the command. I/O control commands should be documented (in the driver documentation, or a manual page) and defined in a public header file, so that applications know the names, what they do, and what they accept or return as `arg`. Any data transfer of `arg` (into or out of the driver) must be performed by the driver.

`ioctl(9E)` is usually a switch statement with a case for each supported `ioctl(9E)` request.

*Code Example 8-14* ioctl(9E) routine

```

static int
xxioctl(dev_t dev, int cmd, int arg, int mode,
        cred_t *credp, int *rvalp)
{
    int     instance;
    u_char  csr;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL) {
        return (ENXIO);
    }
    switch (cmd) {
    case XX_GET_STATUS:
        csr = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr);
        if (ddi_copyout(&csr, (caddr_t) arg, sizeof(u_char),
            mode) != 0) {
            return (EFAULT);
        }
        break;
    case XX_SET_CMD:
        if (ddi_copyin((caddr_t) arg, &csr, sizeof(u_char),
            mode) != 0) {
            return (EFAULT);
        }
        ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr, csr);
        break;
    default:
        /* generic "ioctl unknown" error */
        return (ENOTTY);
    }
    return (0);
}

```

The `cmd` variable identifies a specific device control operation. If `arg` contains a user virtual address, `ioctl(9E)` must call `ddi_copyin(9F)` or `ddi_copyout(9F)` to transfer data between the data structure in the application program pointed to by `arg` and the driver. In Code Example 8-14, for the case of an `XX_GET_STATUS` request the contents of `xsp->regp->csr` is copied to the address in `arg`. When a request succeeds, `ioctl(9E)` can store in `*rvalp` any integer value to be the return value of the `ioctl(2)` system call

that made the request. Negative return values, such as -1, should be avoided, as they usually indicate the system call failed, and many application programs assume negative values indicate failure.

An application that uses the I/O controls above could look like the following:

*Code Example 8-15 Using ioctl(2)*

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include "xxio.h" /* contains device's ioctl cmds and arguments */
int main(void)
{
    u_char status;
    /*
     * read the device status
     */
    if (ioctl(fd, XX_GET_STATUS, &status) == -1) {
        error handling
    }
    printf("device status %x\n", status);
    exit(0);
}
```



## *Drivers for Block Devices*

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This chapter describes the structure of block device drivers. The kernel views a block device as a set of randomly accessible logical blocks. The file system buffers the data blocks between a block device and the user space using a list of `buf(9S)` structures. Only block devices can support a file system. For information on writing disk drivers that support SunOS disk commands (such as `format(1M)`) see Appendix F, “Advanced Topics.”

### *Driver Structure Overview*

Figure 9-1 on page 188 shows data structures and routines that define the structure of a block device driver. Device drivers typically include the following:

- Device loadable driver section
- Device configuration section
- Device access section

### *Block Driver Device Access*

The shaded device access section in Figure 9-1 illustrates block driver entry points.

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**Note** – For a description of character drivers and character driver device access, see Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices”.

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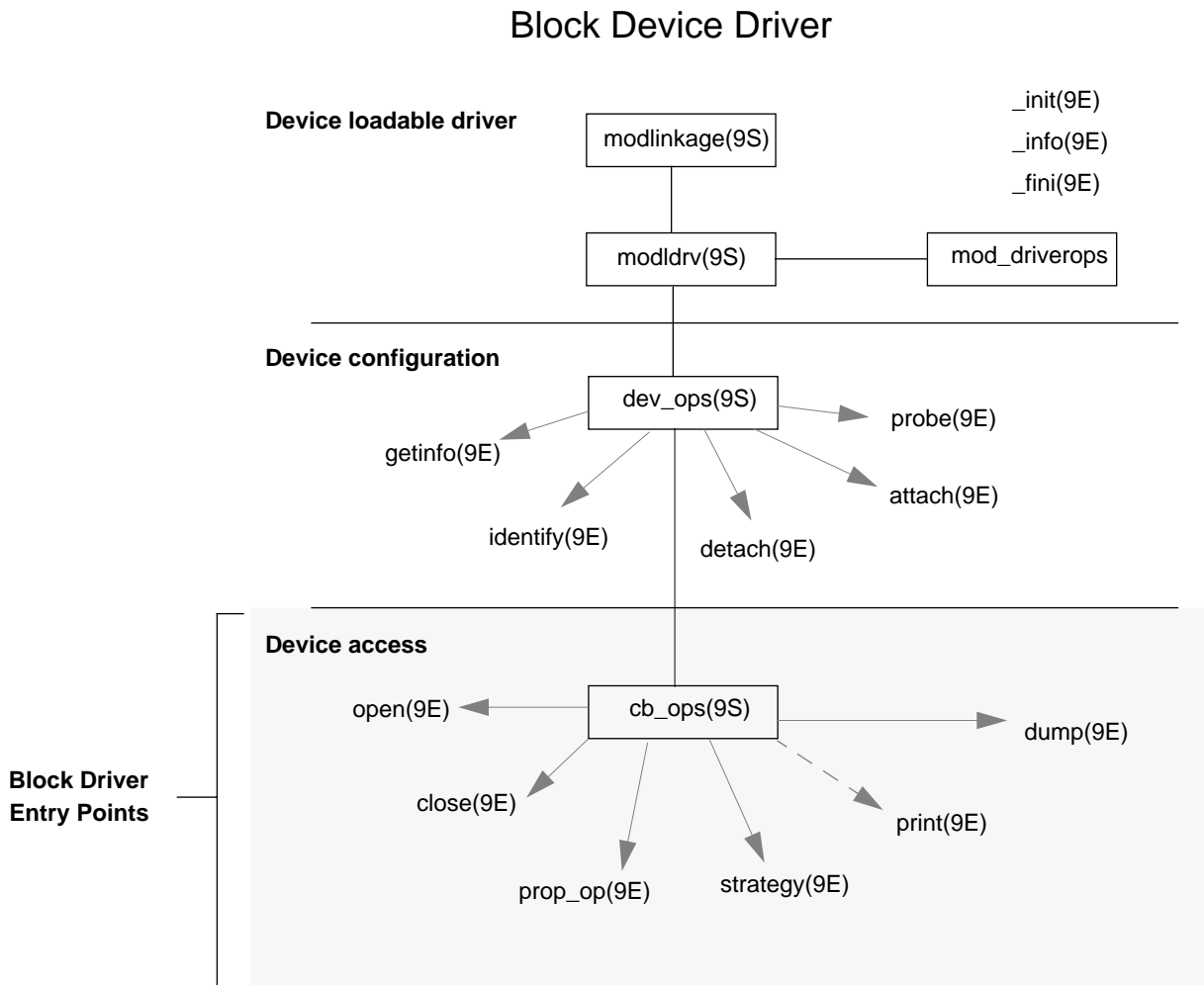


Figure 9-1 Block driver roadmap

## File I/O

A file system is a tree-structured hierarchy of directories and files. Some file systems, such as the UNIX File System (UFS), reside on block-oriented devices. File systems are created by `mkfs(1M)` and `newfs(1M)`.

When an application issues a `read(2)` or `write(2)` system call to an ordinary file on the UFS file system, the file system may call the device driver `strategy(9E)` entry point for the block device on which the file resides. The file system code may call `strategy(9E)` several times for a single `read(2)` or `write(2)` system call.

It is the file system code that determines the logical device address, or *logical block number*, for each block and builds a block I/O request in the form of a `buf(9S)` structure. The driver `strategy(9E)` entry point then interprets the `buf(9S)` structure and completes the request.

## State Structure

This chapter adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
int      nblocks;      /* size of device */
int      open;        /* flag indicating device is open */
int      nlayered;    /* count of layered opens */
struct buf *list_head; /* head of transfer request list */
struct buf *list_tail; /* tail of transfer request list */
```

## Entry Points

Associated with each device driver is a `dev_ops(9S)` structure, which in turn refers to a `cb_ops(9S)` structure. See Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration,” for details regarding driver data structures. Table 9-1 lists the block driver entry points.

*Table 9-1* Block Driver Entry Points

Entry Point	Description
<code>_init(9E)</code>	Initialize a loadable driver module.
<code>_info(9E)</code>	Return information on a loadable driver module.
<code>_fini(9E)</code>	Prepare a loadable driver module for unloading.

*Table 9-1* Block Driver Entry Points

Entry Point	Description
<code>identify(9E)</code>	Determine if the device driver supports a given physical device.
<code>probe(9E)</code>	Determine if a device is present.
<code>attach(9E)</code>	Perform device-specific initialization.
<code>detach(9E)</code>	Remove device-specific state.
<code>getinfo(9E)</code>	Get device driver information.
<code>dump(9E)</code>	Dump memory to the device during system failure.
<code>open(9E)</code>	Gain access to a device.
<code>close(9E)</code>	Relinquish access to a device.
<code>prop_op(9E)</code>	Manage arbitrary driver properties.
<code>print(9E)</code>	Print error message on driver failure.
<code>strategy(9E)</code>	I/O interface for block data.

**Note** – Some of the above entry points may be replaced by `nodev(9F)` or `nulldev(9F)` as appropriate.

## Autoconfiguration

`attach(9E)` should perform the common initialization tasks for each instance of a device. Typically, these tasks include:

- Allocating per-instance state structures
- Mapping the device's registers
- Registering device interrupts
- Initializing mutex and condition variables
- Creating minor nodes

Block device drivers create minor nodes of type `S_IFBLK`. This causes a block special file representing the node to eventually appear in the `/devices` hierarchy.

Logical device names for block devices appear in the `/dev/dsk` directory, and consist of a controller number, bus-address number, disk number, and slice number. These names are created by the `disks(1M)` program if the node type



is set to `DDI_NT_BLOCK` or `DDI_NT_BLOCK_CHAN`. `DDI_NT_BLOCK_CHAN` should be specified if the device communicates on a channel (a bus with an additional level of addressability), such as SCSI disks, and causes a bus-address field (tN) to appear in the logical name. `DDI_NT_BLOCK` should be used for most other devices.

For each minor device (which corresponds to each partition on the disk), the driver must also create an `nblocks` property. This is an integer property giving the number of blocks supported by the minor device expressed in units of `DEV_BSIZE` (512 bytes). The file system uses the `nblocks` property to determine device limits. See “Properties” on page 69 for details.

Code Example 9-1 shows a typical `attach(9E)` entry point with emphasis on creating the device’s minor node and the `nblocks` property.

*Code Example 9-1* Block driver `attach(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    switch (cmd) {
    case DDI_ATTACH:
        allocate a state structure and initialize it
        map the devices registers
        add the device driver's interrupt handler(s)
        initialize any mutexs and condition variables
        read label information if the device is a disk
        /*
         * Create the device minor node. Note that the node_type
         * argument is set to DDI_NT_BLOCK.
         */
        /*
         * Remove any previously allocated minor nodes */
        if (ddi_create_minor_node(dip, "minor_name", S_IFBLK,
            minor_number, DDI_NT_BLOCK, 0) == DDI_FAILURE) {
            free resources allocated so far
            ddi_remove_minor_node(dip, NULL);
            return (DDI_FAILURE);
        }
        /*
         * Create driver properties like "nblocks". If the device
         * is a disk, the nblocks property is usually calculated from
         * information in the disk label.
         */
        xsp->nblocks = size of device in 512 byte blocks;
    }
}
```

```

        if (ddi_prop_update_int(makedevice(DDI_MAJOR_T_UNKNOWN,
            instance), dip, "nblocks", xsp->nblocks)
            != DDI_PROP_SUCCESS) {
            cmn_err(CE_CONT, "%s: cannot create nblocks property\n",
                ddi_get_name(dip));
            free resources allocated so far
            return (DDI_FAILURE);
        }
        xsp->open = 0;
        xsp->nlayered = 0;
        ...
        return (DDI_SUCCESS);
    default:
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
}

```

Properties are associated with device numbers. In Code Example 9-1, `attach(9E)` builds a device number using `makedevice(9F)`. At this point, however, only the minor number component of the device number is known, so it must use the special major number `DDI_MAJOR_T_UNKNOWN` to build the device number.

## Controlling Device Access

This section describes aspects of the `open(9E)` and `close(9E)` entry points that are specific to block device drivers. See Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices,” for more information on `open(9E)` and `close(9E)`.

`open( )`

```
int xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
```

The `open(9E)` entry point is used to gain access to a given device. The `open(9E)` routine of a block driver is called when a user thread issues an `open(2)` or `mount(2)` system call on a block special file associated with the minor device, or when a layered driver calls `open(9E)`. See “File I/O” on page 189 for more information.

The `open(9E)` entry point should make the following checks:

- The device can be opened: for example, it is on-line and ready.

- The device can be opened as requested: the device supports the operation, and the device's current state does not conflict with the request.
- The caller has permission to open the device.

*Code Example 9-2* Block driver `open(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flags, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
{
    int    instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(*devp);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    /*
     * only honor FEXCL. If a regular open or a layered open
     * is still outstanding on the device, the exclusive open
     * must fail.
     */
    if ((flags & FEXCL) && (xsp->open || xsp->nlayered)) {
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (EAGAIN);
    }

    switch (otyp) {
    case OTYP_LYR:
        xsp->nlayered++;
        break;
    case OTYP_BLK:
        xsp->open = 1;
        break;
    default:
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (EINVAL);
    }
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    return (0);
}
```

The `otyp` argument is used to specify the type of open on the device. `OTYP_BLK` is the typical open type for a block device. A device may be opened several times with `otyp` set to `OTYP_BLK`, although `close(9E)` will be called

only once when the final close of type `OTYP_BLK` has occurred for the device. `otyp` is set to `OTYP_LYR` if the device is being used as a layered device. For every open of type `OTYP_LYR`, the layering driver issues a corresponding close of type `OTYP_LYR`. The example keeps track of each type of open so the driver can determine when the device is not being used in `close(9E)`. See the `open(9E)` manual page for more details about the `otyp` argument.

```
close( )
```

```
int xxclose(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
```

The arguments of the `close(9E)` entry point are identical to arguments of `open(9E)`, except that `dev` is the device number, as opposed to a pointer to the device number.

The `close(9E)` routine should verify `otyp` in the same way as was described for the `open(9E)` entry point. In the example, `close(9E)` must determine when the device can really be closed based on the number of block opens and layered opens.

*Code Example 9-3* Block device `close(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxclose(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
{
    int    instance;
    struct xxstate *xsp;

    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (ENXIO);

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    switch (otyp) {
    case OTYP_LYR:
        xsp->nlayered--;
        break;
    case OTYP_BLK:
        xsp->open = 0;
        break;
    default:
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (EINVAL);
    }
}
```

```

    }
    if (xsp->open || xsp->nlayered) {
        /* not done yet */
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (0);
    }
    /* cleanup (rewind tape, free memory, etc.) */
    /* wait for I/O to drain */
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);

    return (0);
}

```

## Data Transfers

`strategy( )`

```
int xxstrategy(struct buf *bp)
```

The `strategy(9E)` entry point is used to read and write data buffers to and from a block device. The name *strategy* comes from the fact that this entry point may implement some optimal strategy for ordering requests to the device.

`strategy(9E)` can be written to process one request at a time (synchronous transfer), or to queue multiple requests to the device (asynchronous transfer). When choosing a method, the abilities and limitations of the device should be taken into account.

The `strategy(9E)` routine is passed a pointer to a `buf(9S)` structure. This structure describes the transfer request, and contains status information on return. `buf(9S)` and `strategy(9E)` are the focus of block device operations.

### The `buf` Structure

Below is a list of `buf` structure members that are important to block drivers:

```

int          b_flags;    /* Buffer Status */
struct buf   *av_forw;   /* Driver work list link */
struct buf   *av_back;   /* Driver work lists link */
unsigned int b_bcount;   /* # of bytes to transfer */
union {
    caddr_t   b_addr;     /* Buffer's virtual address */
} b_un;

```

```

daddr_t      b_blkno; /* Block number on device */
diskaddr_t   b_lblkno; /* Expanded block number on device */
unsigned int  b_resid; /* # of bytes not transferred */
              /* after error */
int          b_error; /* Expanded error field */
void         *b_private; /* "opaque" driver private area */
dev_t        b_edev; /* expanded dev field */

```

`b_flags` contains status and transfer attributes of the `buf` structure. If `B_READ` is set, the `buf` structure indicates a transfer from the device to memory, otherwise it indicates a transfer from memory to the device. If the driver encounters an error during data transfer, it should set the `B_ERROR` field in the `b_flags` member and provide a more specific error value in `b_error`. Drivers should use `bioerror(9F)` in preference to setting `B_ERROR`.

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**Caution** – Drivers should never clear `b_flags`.

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`av_forw` and `av_back` are pointers that the driver can use to manage a list of buffers by the driver. See “Asynchronous Data Transfers” on page 201 for a discussion of the `av_forw` and `av_back` pointers.

`b_bcount` specifies the number of bytes to be transferred by the device.

`b_un.b_addr` is the kernel virtual address of the data buffer.

`b_blkno` is the starting 32-bit logical block number on the device for the data transfer, expressed in `DEV_BSIZE` (512 bytes) units. The driver should use either `b_blkno` or `b_lblkno`, but not both.

`b_lblkno` is the starting 64-bit logical block number on the device for the data transfer, expressed in `DEV_BSIZE` (512 bytes) units. The driver should use either `b_blkno` or `b_lblkno`, but not both.

`b_resid` is set by the driver to indicate the number of bytes that were not transferred due to an error. See Code Example 9-8 on page 204 for an example of setting `b_resid`. The `b_resid` member is overloaded: it is also used by `disksort(9F)`.

`b_error` is set to an error number by the driver when a transfer error occurs. It is set in conjunction with the `b_flags` `B_ERROR` bit. See `Intro(9E)` for details regarding error values. Drivers should use `bioerror(9F)` in preference to setting `b_error` directly.

`b_private` is for exclusive use by the driver to store driver-private data.

`b_edev` contains the device number of the device involved in the transfer.

`bp_mapin( )`

When a `buf` structure pointer is passed into the device driver's `strategy(9E)` routine, the data buffer referred to by `b_un.b_addr` is not necessarily mapped in the kernel's address space. This means that the data is not directly accessible by the driver. Most block-oriented devices have DMA capability, and therefore do not need to access the data buffer directly. Instead, they use the DMA mapping routines to allow the device's DMA engine to do the data transfer. For details about using DMA, see Chapter 7, "DMA."

If a driver needs to directly access the data buffer (as opposed to having the device access the data), it must first map the buffer into the kernel's address space using `bp_mapin(9F)`. `bp_mapout(9F)` should be used when the driver no longer needs to access the data directly.

## *Synchronous Data Transfers*

This section discusses a simple method for performing synchronous I/O transfers. It assumes that the hardware is a simple disk device that can transfer only one data buffer at a time using DMA. The device driver's `strategy(9E)` routine waits for the current request to complete before accepting a new one. The device interrupts when the transfer completes or when an error occurs.

### **1. Check for invalid `buf(9S)` requests**

Check the `buf(9S)` structure passed to `strategy(9E)` for validity. All drivers should check to see if:

- a. The request begins at a valid block. The driver converts the `b_blkno` field to the correct device offset and then determines if the offset is valid for the device.
- b. The request does not go beyond the last block on the device.
- c. Device-specific requirements are met.

If an error is encountered, the driver should indicate the appropriate error with `bioerror(9F)` and complete the request by calling `biodone(9F)`. `biodone(9F)` notifies the caller of `strategy(9E)` that the transfer is complete (in this case, because of an error).

## 2. Check if the device is busy

Synchronous data transfers allow single-threaded access to the device. The device driver enforces this by maintaining a busy flag (guarded by a mutex), and by waiting on a condition variable with `cv_wait(9F)` when the device is busy.

If the device is busy, the thread waits until a `cv_broadcast(9F)` or `cv_signal(9F)` from the interrupt handler indicates that the device is no longer busy. See Chapter 4, “Multithreading,” for details on condition variables.

When the device is no longer busy, the `strategy(9E)` routine marks it as busy and prepares the buffer and the device for the transfer.

## 3. Set up the buffer for DMA

Prepare the data buffer for a DMA transfer by allocating a DMA handle using `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)` and binding the data buffer to the handle using `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)`. See Chapter 7, “DMA,” for information on setting up DMA resources and related data structures.

## 4. Begin the Transfer

At this point, a pointer to the `buf(9S)` structure is saved in the state structure of the device. This is so that the interrupt routine can complete the transfer by calling `biodone(9F)`.

The device driver then accesses device registers to initiate a data transfer. In most cases, the driver should protect the device registers from other threads by using mutexes. In this case, because `strategy(9E)` is single-threaded, guarding the device registers is not necessary. See Chapter 4, “Multithreading,” for details about data locks.

Once the executing thread has started the device’s DMA engine, the driver can return execution control to the calling routine.



**Code Example 9-4** Synchronous block driver strategy(9E) routine

```

static int
xxstrategy(struct buf *bp)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    struct device_reg *regp;
    int instance;
    ddi_dma_cookie_t cookie;

    instance = getminor(bp->b_edev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL) {
        bioerror(bp, ENXIO);
        biodone(bp);
        return (0);
    }

    /* validate the transfer request */
    if ((bp->b_blkno >= xsp->nblocks) || (bp->b_blkno < 0)) {
        bioerror(bp, EINVAL);
        biodone(bp);
        return (0);
    }

    /*
     * Hold off all threads until the device is not busy.
     */
    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    while (xsp->busy) {
        cv_wait(&xsp->cv, &xsp->mu);
    }
    xsp->busy = 1;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);

    Set up DMA resources with ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)
    and ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F).
    Retrieve the DMA cookie from the handle returned.

    xsp->bp = bp;
    ddi_putl(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->dma_addr,
        (ulong_t)cookie.dmac_address);
    ddi_putl(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->dma_size,
        cookie.dmac_size);
    ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr,
        ENABLE_INTERRUPTS | START_TRANSFER);

    return (0);
}

```

## 5. Handle the interrupting device

When the device finishes the data transfer it generates an interrupt, which eventually results in the driver's interrupt routine being called. Most drivers specify the state structure of the device as the argument to the interrupt routine when registering interrupts (see `ddi_add_intr(9F)` and "Registering Interrupts" on page 120). The interrupt routine can then access the `buf(9S)` structure being transferred, plus any other information available from the state structure.

The interrupt handler should check the device's status register to determine if the transfer completed without error. If an error occurred, the handler should indicate the appropriate error with `bioerror(9F)`. The handler should also clear the pending interrupt for the device and then complete the transfer by calling `biodone(9F)`.

As the final task, the handler clears the busy flag and calls `cv_signal(9F)` or `cv_broadcast(9F)` on the condition variable, signaling that the device is no longer busy. This allows other threads waiting for the device (in `strategy(9E)`) to proceed with the next data transfer.

### *Code Example 9-5* Synchronous block driver interrupt routine

```
static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    struct buf *bp;
    u_char status;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);

    status = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr);
    if (!(status & INTERRUPTING)) {
        mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
    }

    /* Get the buf responsible for this interrupt */
    bp = xsp->bp;
    xsp->bp = NULL;

    /*
     * This example is for a simple device which either
     * succeeds or fails the data transfer, indicated in the
     * command/status register.
     */
}
```

```

if (status & DEVICE_ERROR) {
    /* failure */
    bp->b_resid = bp->b_bcount;
    bioerror(bp, EIO);
} else {
    /* success */
    bp->b_resid = 0;
}
}

ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr,
        CLEAR_INTERRUPT);
/* The transfer has finished, successfully or not */
biodone(bp);

release any resources used in the transfer, such as DMA resources
(ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F) and ddi_dma_free_handle(9F) )

/* Let the next I/O thread have access to the device */
xsp->busy = 0;
cv_signal(&xsp->cv);
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```

## Asynchronous Data Transfers

This section discusses a method for performing asynchronous I/O transfers. The driver queues the I/O requests, and then returns control to the caller. Again, the assumption is that the hardware is a simple disk device that allows one transfer at a time. The device interrupts when a data transfer has completed or when an error occurs.

### 1. Check for invalid `buf(9S)` requests

As in the synchronous case, the device driver should check the `buf(9S)` structure passed to `strategy(9E)` for validity. See “Synchronous Data Transfers” on page 197 for more details.

### 2. Enqueue the request

Unlike synchronous data transfers, a driver does not wait for an asynchronous request to complete. Instead, it adds the request to a queue. The head of the queue can be the current transfer, or a separate field in the state structure can be used to hold the active request (as in this example). If the queue was initially empty, then the hardware is not busy, and `strategy(9E)` starts the

transfer before returning. Otherwise, whenever a transfer completes and the queue is non-empty, the interrupt routine begins a new transfer. This example actually places the decision of whether to start a new transfer into a separate routine for convenience.

The `av_forw` and the `av_back` members of the `buf(9S)` structure can be used by the driver to manage a list of transfer requests. A single pointer can be used to manage a singly linked list, or both pointers can be used together to build a doubly-linked list. The driver writer can determine from a hardware specification which type of list management (such as insertion policies) will optimize the performance of the device. The transfer list is a per-device list, so the head and tail of the list are stored in the state structure.

This example is designed to allow multiple threads access to the driver shared data, so it is extremely important to identify any such data (such as the transfer list) and protect it with a mutex. See Chapter 4, “Multithreading,” for more details about mutex locks.

*Code Example 9-6* Asynchronous block driver `strategy(9E)` routine.

```
static int
xxstrategy(struct buf *bp)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    int    instance;

    instance = getminor(bp->b_edev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    ...
    validate transfer request
    ...
    Add the request to the end of the queue. Depending on the device, a sorting algorithm
    such as disksort(9F) may be used if it improves the performance of the device.

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
    bp->av_forw = NULL;
    if (xsp->list_head) {
        /* Non-empty transfer list */
        xsp->list_tail->av_forw = bp;
        xsp->list_tail = bp;
    } else {
        /* Empty Transfer list */
        xsp->list_head = bp;
    }
}
```

```
        xsp->list_tail = bp;
    }
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    /* Start the transfer if possible */
    (void) xxstart((caddr_t) xsp);
    return (0);
}
```

### 3. Start the first transfer.

Device drivers that implement queuing usually have a `start()` routine. `start()` is so called because it is this routine that dequeues the next request and starts the data transfer to or from the device. In this example all requests, regardless of the state of the device (busy or free), are processed by `start()`.

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**Note** – `start()` must be written so that it can be called from any context, since it can be called by both the strategy routine (in kernel context) and the interrupt routine (in interrupt context).

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`start()` is called by `strategy()` every time it queues a request so that an idle device can be started. If the device is busy, `start()` returns immediately.

`start()` is also called by the interrupt handler before it returns from a claimed interrupt so that a non-empty queue can be serviced. If the queue is empty, `start()` returns immediately.

Since `start()` is a private driver routine, it can take any arguments and return any type. The example is written as if it will also be used as a DMA callback (although that portion is not shown), so it must take a `caddr_t` as an argument and return an `int`. See “Handling Resource Allocation Failures” on page 141 for more information about DMA callback routines.

*Code Example 9-7* Block driver `start()` routine.

```
static int
xxstart(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    struct buf *bp;

    mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
```

```

/*
 * If there is nothing more to do, or the device is
 * busy, return.
 */
if (xsp->list_head == NULL || xsp->busy) {
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    return (0);
}
xsp->busy = 1;
/* Get the first buffer off the transfer list */
bp = xsp->list_head;
/* Update the head and tail pointer */
xsp->list_head = xsp->list_head->av_forw;
if (xsp->list_head == NULL)
    xsp->list_tail = NULL;
bp->av_forw = NULL;
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
Set up DMA resources with ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)
and ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F).
xsp->bp = bp;
ddi_putl(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->dma_addr,
        (ulong_t)cookie.dmac_address);
ddi_putl(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->dma_size,
        cookie.dmac_size);
ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr,
        ENABLE_INTERRUPTS | START_TRANSFER);
return (0);
}

```

#### 4. Handle the interrupting Device

The interrupt routine is very similar to the asynchronous version, with the addition of the call to `start()` and the removal of the call to `cv_signal(9F)`.

*Code Example 9-8* Asynchronous block driver interrupt routine.

```

static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp = (struct xxstate *)arg;
    struct buf *bp;
    u_char status;

```

```

mutex_enter(&xsp->mu);
status = ddi_getb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr);
if (!(status & INTERRUPTING)) {
    mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
    return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
}
/* Get the buf responsible for this interrupt */
bp = xsp->bp;
xsp->bp = NULL;
/*
 * This example is for a simple device which either
 * succeeds or fails the data transfer, indicated in the
 * command/status register.
 */
if (status & DEVICE_ERROR) {
    /* failure */
    bp->b_resid = bp->b_bcount;
    bioerror(bp, EIO);
} else {
    /* success */
    bp->b_resid = 0;
}
ddi_putb(xsp->data_access_handle, xsp->regp->csr,
        CLEAR_INTERRUPT);
/* The transfer has finished, successfully or not */
biodone(bp);
release any resources used in the transfer, such as DMA resources
(ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F) and ddi_dma_free_handle(9F) )
/* Let the next I/O thread have access to the device */
xsp->busy = 0;
mutex_exit(&xsp->mu);
(void) xxstart((caddr_t) xsp);
return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

```

## Miscellaneous Entry Points

dump( )

The dump(9E) entry point is used to copy a portion of virtual address space directly to the specified device in the case of a system failure.

```
int xxdump(dev_t dev, caddr_t addr, daddr_t blkno, int nblk)
```

dev is the device number of the device to dump to, addr is the base kernel virtual address at which to start the dump, blkno is the first block to dump, and nblk is the number of blocks to dump. The dump depends on the existing driver working properly. It creates a buf(9S) request to pass to strategy(9E).

*Code Example 9-9* Block driver dump(9E) routine.

```
static int
xxdump(dev_t dev, caddr_t addr, daddr_t blkno, int nblk)
{
    int error;
    struct buf *bp;
    /* Allocate a buf structure to perform the dump */
    bp = getrbuf(KM_NOSLEEP);
    if (bp == NULL)
        return (EIO);
    /*
     * Set the appropriate fields in the buf structure.
     * This is OK since the driver knows what its strategy
     * routine will examine.
     */
    bp->b_un.b_addr = addr;
    bp->b_edev = dev;
    bp->b_bcount = nblk * DEV_BSIZE;
    bp->b_flags = B_WRITE|B_BUSY;
    bp->b_blkno = blkno;
    (void) xxstrategy(bp);
    /*
     * Wait here until the driver performs a biodone(9F)
     * on the buffer being transferred.
     */
    error = biowait(bp);
    freerbuf(bp);
    return (error);
}
```



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`print( )`

```
int xxprint(dev_t dev, char *str)
```

The `print(9E)` entry is called by the system to display a message about an exception it has detected. `print(9E)` should call `cmn_err(9F)` to post the message to the console on behalf of the system. Here is an example:

```
static int
xxprint(dev_t dev, char *str)
{
    cmn_err(CE_CONT, "xx: %s\n", str);
    return (0);
}
```



## *Device Context Management*

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Some device drivers, such as those for graphics hardware, provide user processes with direct access to the device. These devices often require that only one process at a time accesses the device.

This chapter describes the set of interfaces that allow device drivers to manage access to such devices.

### *What Is A Device Context?*

The *context* of a device is the current state of the device hardware. The device context for a process is managed by the device driver on behalf of the process. The device driver must maintain a separate device context for each process that accesses the device. It is the device driver's responsibility to restore the correct device context when a process accesses the device.

### *Context Management Model*

An accelerated frame buffer is an example of a device that allows user processes (such as graphics applications) to directly manipulate the control registers of the device through memory-mapped access. Since these processes are not using the traditional I/O system calls (`read(2)`, `write(2)`, and `ioctl(2)`), the device driver is no longer called when a process accesses the device. However, it is important that the device driver be notified when a process is about to access a device so that it can restore the correct device context and provide any needed synchronization.

To resolve this problem, the device context management interfaces allow a device driver to be notified when a user process accesses memory-mapped regions of the device and to control accesses to the device's hardware. Synchronization and management of the various device contexts is the responsibility of the device driver. When a user process accesses a mapping, the device driver must restore the correct device context for that process.

A device driver will be notified whenever one of the following events occurs on a mapping:

- Access to a mapping by a user process
- Duplication of a mapping by a user process
- Freeing of a mapping by a user process

Figure 10-1 is a snapshot of multiple user processes that have memory mapped a device. Process B has been granted access to the device by the driver, and the driver is no longer notified of accesses by process B. However, the driver is still notified if either process A or process C access the device.

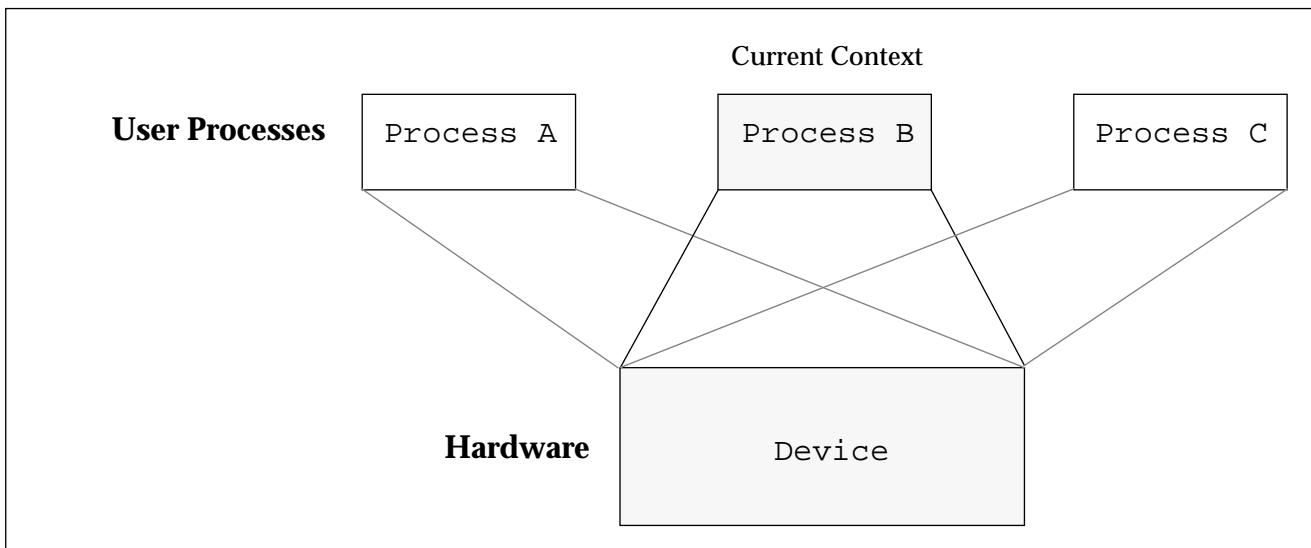


Figure 10-1 Device context management

At some point in the future, process A accesses the device. The device driver is notified of this and blocks future access to the device by process B. It then saves the device context for process B, restores the device context of process A, and grants access to process A. This is illustrated in Figure 10-2. At this point, the device driver will be notified if either process B or process C access the device.

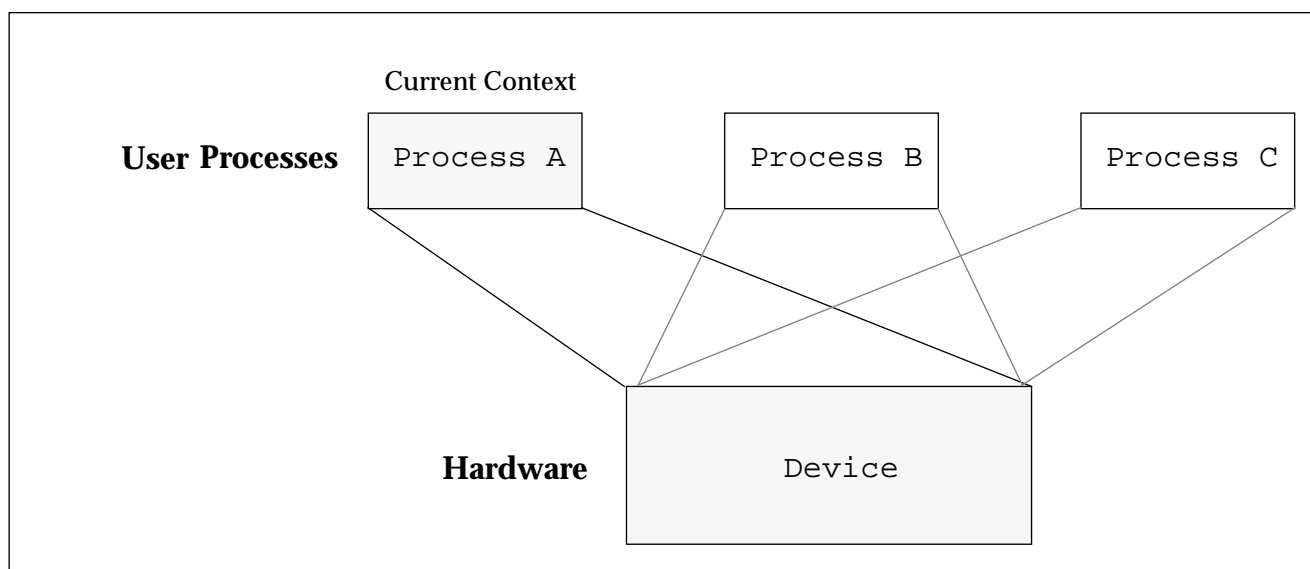


Figure 10-2 Device context switched to user process A

### *Multiprocessor Considerations*

On a multiprocessor machine, multiple processes could be attempting to access the device at the same time. This can cause thrashing. The kernel prevents this from happening by guaranteeing that once a device driver has granted access to a process, no other process will be allowed to request access to the same device for at least one clock tick.

However, some devices require more time to restore a device context than others. To prevent more CPU time from being used to restore a device context than to actually use that device context, the time that a process needs to have access to the device must be increased. If more time than one clock tick is

required, the driver can block new access to the device for an additional predetermined amount of time using the standard thread synchronization function calls. See “Thread Synchronization” on page 77 for more information.

## Context Management Operation

In general, here are the steps for performing device context management:

1. Define a `ddi_mapdev_ctl(9S)` structure.
2. Allocate space to save device context if necessary.
3. Set up user mappings to the device and driver notifications with `ddi_mapdev(9F)` and `ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr(9F)`
4. Manage user access to the device with `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` and `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)`.
5. Free the device context structure if needed.

## State Structure

This section adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
kmutex_t      ctx_lock;  
struct xxctx  *current_ctx;
```

The structure `xxctx` is the driver private device context structure for the examples used in this section. It looks like this:

```
struct xxctx {  
    ddi_mapdev_handle_t  handle;  
    char                 context[XXCTX_SIZE];  
    struct xxstate       *xsp;  
};
```

The `context` field stores the actual device context. In this case, it is simply a chunk of memory; in other cases, it may actually be a series of structure fields corresponding to device registers.

## Declarations and Data Structures

Device drivers that use the device context management interfaces must include the following declaration:

```
char _depends_on[] = "misc/seg_mapdev";
```

### *ddi\_mapdev\_ctl*

The device driver must allocate and initialize a `ddi_mapdev_ctl(9S)` structure to inform the system of its device context management entry point routines.

This structure contains the following fields:

```
struct ddi_mapdev_ctl {
    int mapdev_rev;
    int (*mapdev_access)(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle,
        void *private, off_t offset);
    void (*mapdev_free)(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void
        *private);
    int (*mapdev_dup)(ddi_mapdev_handle_t oldhandle,
        void *oldprivate, ddi_mapdev_handle_t newhandle,
        void **newprivate);
};
```

`mapdev_rev` is the version number of the `ddi_mapdev_ctl(9S)` structure. It must be set to `MAPDEV_REV`.

`mapdev_access` must be set to the address of the driver's `mapdev_access(9E)` entry point.

`mapdev_free` must be set to the address of the driver's `mapdev_free(9E)` entry point.

`mapdev_dup` must be set to the address of the driver's `mapdev_dup(9E)` entry point.

## Associating Devices with User Mappings

When a user process requests a mapping to a device with `mmap(2)`, the device's `segmap(9E)` entry point is called. The device must use `ddi_mapdev(9F)` and `ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr(9F)` when setting up the memory mapping if it wants to manage device contexts. Otherwise the device driver

must use `ddi_segmap_setup(9F)` to set up the mapping. See Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices” for more information. A `ddi_segmap_setup(9E)` entry point must be defined before `ddi_mapdev(9F)` can be used.

### `ddi_mapdev`

```
int ddi_mapdev(dev_t dev, off_t offset, struct as *asp,
               caddr_t *addrp, off_t len, u_int prot, u_int maxprot,
               u_int flags, cred_t *cred, struct ddi_mapdev_ctl *m_ops,
               ddi_mapdev_handle_t *handlep, void *private_data);
```

`ddi_mapdev(9F)` is similar to `ddi_segmap_setup(9F)` in that they both allow a user to map device space. In addition to establishing a mapping, `ddi_mapdev(9F)` informs the system of the `ddi_mapdev_ctl(9S)` entry points and creates a mapping handle to the mapping in `*handlep`. This mapping handle can be used to invalidate and validate the mapping translations. If the driver *invalidates* the mapping translations, it will be notified of any future access to the mapping. If the driver *validates* the mapping translations, it will no longer be notified of accesses to the mapping. Mappings are always created with the mapping translations invalidated so that the driver will be notified on first access to the mapping.

To ensure that a device driver can distinguish between the various user processes that have memory-mapped the device, only mappings of type `MAP_PRIVATE` can be used with `ddi_mapdev(9F)`.

The `dev`, `offset`, `asp`, `addrp`, `len`, `prot`, `maxprot`, `flags`, and `cred` arguments are passed into the `segmap(9E)` entry point and should be passed on to `ddi_mapdev(9F)` unchanged. `ddi_mapdev(9F)` also takes the driver-defined structure `ddi_mapdev_ctl(9S)` and a pointer to device private data. This pointer is passed into each entry point and is usually a pointer to the device context structure.

### `ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr`

```
int ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr(
    ddi_mapdev_handle_t mapping_handle, off_t offset, off_t len,
    ddi_device_acc_attr_t *accattrp, unit_t rnumber);
```

This routine assigns device access attributes to a range of device memory in the register set given by `rnumber`.



\*accattrp defines the device access attributes. See `ddi_device_acc_att(9S)` for more information.

`mapping_handle` is a mapping handle returned from a call to `ddi_mapdev(9F)`

Requests affect the entire page containing the `offset` and all the pages up to and including the entire page containing the last byte as indicated by `offset + len`. The device driver must make sure that for each page of device memory being mapped only one process has valid translations at any one time.

Code Example 10-2 shows how to set up a mapping using the device context management interfaces.

*Code Example 10-1* `segmap(9E)` entry point

```
static struct ddi_mapdev_ctl xx_mapdev_ctl = {
    MAPDEV_REV,
    xxmapdev_access,
    xxmapdev_free,
    xxmapdev_dup
};

static int
xxsegmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, struct as *asp, caddr_t *addrp,
    off_t len, unsigned int prot, unsigned int maxprot,
    unsigned int flags, cred_t *credp)
{
    int    error;
    int    instance = getminor(dev);
    struct xxstate *xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    struct xxctx *newctx;
    struct ddi_device_acc_attr xxaccattr;

    /* Setup data access attribute structure */
    xxaccattr_devacc_attr_version = DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0
    xxaccattr_devacc_attr_endian_flags = DDI_NEVERSWAP_ACC
    xxaccattr_devacc_attr_dataorder = DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC

    /* Create a new context for this mapping */
    newctx = kmem_alloc(sizeof (struct xxctx), KM_SLEEP);
    newctx->xsp = xsp;
    /* Set up mapping */
    error = ddi_mapdev(dev, off, asp, addrp, len, prot,
        maxprot, flags, credp, &xx_mapdev_ctl, &newctx->handle,
```

```
        newctx);
if (error)
    kmem_free(newctx, sizeof (struct xxctx));

error = ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr(newctx->handle, off,
    len, &xxaccattr, 0);
if (error)
    kmem_free(newctx, sizeof (struct xxctx));

return (error);
}
```

## ***Managing Mapping Accesses***

The device driver is notified when a user process accesses an address in the memory-mapped region that does not have valid mapping translations. When the access event occurs, the mapping translations of the process that currently has access to the device must be invalidated. The device context of the process requesting access to the device must be restored, and the translations of the mapping of the process requesting access must be validated.

The functions `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` and `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` are used to invalidate and validate mapping translations.

### `ddi_mapdev_intercept()`

```
int ddi_mapdev_intercept(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle,
    off_t offset, off_t len);
```

`ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` invalidates the mapping translations for the pages of the mapping specified by `handle`, `offset`, and `len`. By invalidating the mapping translations for these pages, the device driver is telling the system to intercept accesses to these pages of the mapping and notify the device driver the next time these pages of the mapping are accessed by calling the `mapdev_access(9E)` entry point.

```
ddi_mapdev_nointercept( )
```

```
int ddi_mapdev_nointercept(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle,  
    off_t offset, off_t len);
```

`ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` validates the mapping translations for the pages of the mapping specified by `handle`, `offset`, and `len`. By validating the mapping translations for these pages, the driver is telling the system not to intercept accesses to these pages of the mapping and allow accesses to proceed without notifying the device driver.

`ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` must be called with the `offset` and the `handle` of the mapping that generated the access event for the access to complete. If `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` is not called on this handle, the mapping translations will not be validated and the process will receive a SIGBUS.

For both functions, requests affect the entire page containing the `offset` and all the pages up to and including the entire page containing the last byte as indicated by `offset + len`. The device driver must make sure that for each page of device memory being mapped only one process has valid translations at any one time.

Both functions return zero if they are successful. If, however, there was an error in validating or invalidating the mapping translations, that error is returned to the device driver. It is the device driver's responsibility to return this error to the system.

## *Device Context Management Entry Points*

The following device driver entry points are used to manage device context:

```
mapdev_access( )
```

```
int xxmapdev_access(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void *devprivate,  
    off_t offset);
```

This entry point is called when an access is made to a mapping whose translations are invalid. Mapping translations are invalidated when the mapping is created with `ddi_mapdev(9F)` in response to `mmap(2)`, duplicated by `fork(2)`, or explicitly invalidated by a call to `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)`.

`handle` is the mapping handle of the mapping that was accessed by a user process.

`devprivate` is a pointer to the driver private data associated with the mapping.

`offset` is the offset within the mapping that was accessed.

In general, `mapdev_access(9E)` should call `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)`, with the handle of the mapping that currently has access to the device, to invalidate the translations for that mapping. This ensures that a call to `mapdev_access(9E)` occurs for the current mapping the next time it is accessed. To validate the mapping translations for the mapping that caused the access event to occur, the driver must restore the device context for the process requesting access and call `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` on the handle of the mapping that generated the call to this entry point.

Accesses to portions of mappings that have had their mapping translations validated by a call to `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` do not generate a call to `mapdev_access(9E)`. A subsequent call to `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` will invalidate the mapping translations and allow `mapdev_access(9E)` to be called again.

If either `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` or `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` return an error, `mapdev_access(9E)` should immediately return that error. If the device driver encounters a hardware failure while restoring a device context, a `-1` should be returned. Otherwise, after successfully handling the access request, `mapdev_access(9E)` should return zero. A return of other than zero from `mapdev_access(9E)` will cause a `SIGBUS` or `SIGSEGV` to be sent to the process.

Code Example 10-2 shows how to manage a one-page device context.

*Code Example 10-2* `mapdev_access(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxmapdev_access(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void *devprivate,
                off_t offset)
{
    int error;
    struct xxctx  *ctxp = devprivate;
    struct xxstate *xsp = ctxp->xsp;
    mutex_enter(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    /* enable access callback for the current mapping */
    if (xsp->current_ctx != NULL) {
        if ((error = ddi_mapdev_intercept(xsp->current_ctx->handle,
                                         offset, 0)) != 0) {
```

```
        xsp->current_ctx = NULL;
        mutex_exit(&xsp->ctx_lock);
        return (error);
    }
}
/* Switch device context - device dependent*/
if (xxctxsave(xsp->current_ctx) < 0) {
    xsp->current_ctx = NULL;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    return (-1);
}
if (xxctxrestore(ctxp) < 0){
    xsp->current_ctx = NULL;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    return (-1);
}
xsp->current_ctx = ctxp;
/* Disable access callback for handle and return */
error = ddi_mapdev_nointercept(handle, offset, 0);
if (error)
    xsp->current_ctx = NULL;
mutex_exit(&xsp->ctx_lock);
return(error);
}
```

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**Note** - `xxctxsave` and `xxctxrestore` are device dependent context save and restore functions. `xxctxsave` reads data from the registers using the Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI data access routines and saves it in the soft state structure. `xxctxrestore` takes data saved in the soft state structure and writes it to device registers using the Solaris DDI/DKI 2.5 data access routines.

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### `mapdev_free()`

```
void xxmapdev_free(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void *devprivate);
```

This entry point is called when a mapping is unmapped. This can be caused by a user process exiting or calling the `munmap(2)` system call. Partial unmappings are not supported and will cause the `munmap(2)` system call to fail with `EINVAL`.

`handle` is the mapping handle of the mapping being freed.

`devprivate` is a pointer to the driver private data associated with the mapping.

The `mapdev_free(9E)` routine is expected to free any driver-private resources that were allocated when this mapping was created, either by `ddi_mapdev(9F)` or by `mapdev_dup(9E)`.

There is no need to call `ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` on the handle of the mapping being freed even if it is the mapping with the valid translations. However, to prevent future problems in `mapdev_access(9E)`, the device driver should make sure that its representation of the current mapping is set to “no current mapping”.

*Code Example 10-3* `mapdev_free(9E)` routine

```
static void
xxmapdev_free(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void *devprivate)
{
    struct xxctx    *ctxp = devprivate;
    struct xxstate *xsp = ctxp->xsp;
    mutex_enter(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    if (xsp->current_ctx == ctxp)
        xsp->current_ctx = NULL;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    kmem_free(ctxp, sizeof (struct xxctx));
}
```

### `mapdev_dup()`

```
int xxmapdev_dup(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void *devprivate,
                ddi_mapdev_handle_t new_handle, void **new_devprivate);
```

This entry point is called when a device mapping is duplicated, for example, by a user process calling `fork(2)`. The driver is expected to generate new driver private data for the new mapping.

`handle` is the mapping handle of the mapping being duplicated

`new_handle` is the mapping handle of the mapping that was duplicated

`devprivate` is a pointer to the driver private data associated with the mapping being duplicated

`*new_devprivate` should be set to point to the new driver-private data for the new mapping.

Mappings created with `mapdev_dup(9E)` will, by default, have their mapping translations invalidated. This will force a call to the `mapdev_access(9E)` entry point the first time the mapping is accessed.

*Code Example 10-4* `mapdev_dup(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxmapdev_dup(ddi_mapdev_handle_t handle, void *devprivate,
             ddi_mapdev_handle_t new_handle, void **new_devprivate)
{
    struct xxctx *ctxp = devprivate;
    struct xxstate *xsp = ctxp->xsp;
    struct xxctx *newctx;

    /* Create a new context for the duplicated mapping */
    newctx = kmem_alloc(sizeof (struct xxctx), KM_SLEEP);
    mutex_enter(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    newctx->xsp = xsp;
    bcopy(ctxp->context, newctx->context, XXCTX_SIZE);
    newctx->handle = new_handle;
    *new_devprivate = newctx;
    mutex_exit(&xsp->ctx_lock);
    return(0);
}
```





This chapter describes how to write a SCSI target driver using the interfaces provided by the Sun Common SCSI Architecture (SCSA). Overviews of SCSI and SCSA are presented, followed by the details of implementing a target driver.

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**Note** – Target driver developers may be interested in SCSI HBA driver information. See Chapter 12, “SCSI Host Bus Adapter Drivers” .

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### Overview

The Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI divides the software interface to SCSI devices into two major parts: *target* drivers and *host bus adapter (HBA)* drivers. *Target* refers to a driver for a device on a SCSI bus, such as a disk or a tape drive. *host bus adapter* refers to the driver for the SCSI controller on the host machine, such as the “esp” driver on a SPARCstation. SCSA defines the interface between these two components. This chapter discusses target drivers only. See SCSI HBA Drivers for information on host bus adapter drivers.

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**Note** – The terms “host bus adapter” or “HBA” used in this manual are equivalent to the phrase “host adapter” as defined in SCSI specifications.

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Target drivers can be either character or block device drivers, depending on the device. Drivers for tape drives are usually character device drivers, while disks are handled by block device drivers. This chapter describes how to write a SCSI target driver and discusses the additional requirements that SCSI places on block and character drivers for SCSI target devices.

## *Reference Documents*

The following reference documents provide supplemental information needed by the designers of target drivers and host bus adapter drivers.

*Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) Standard*, ANSI X3.131-1986 American National Standards Institute  
Sales Department  
1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018  
Phone (212) 642-4900

*Small Computer System Interface 2 (SCSI-2) Standard*, document X3.131-1994  
Global Engineering Documents  
15 Inverness Way, East Englewood, CO 80112-5704  
Phone: 800-854-7179 or 303-792-2181  
FAX: 303-792-2192

*Basics of SCSI*  
ANCOT Corporation  
Menlo Park, California 94025  
Phone (415) 322-5322  
FAX: (415) 322-0455

Also, refer to the SCSI command specification for the target device, provided by the hardware vendor.

For information on setting global SCSI options see Appendix F, “Advanced Topics.”

For a pointer to SCSI driver sample code see Appendix D, “Sample Driver Source Code Listings”.

## Sun Common SCSI Architecture Overview

The Sun Common SCSI Architecture (SCSA) is the Solaris 2.x SPARC DDI/DKI programming interface for the transmission of SCSI commands from a target driver to a host bus adapter driver. This interface is independent of the type of host bus adapter hardware, the platform, the processor architecture, and the SCSI command that is being transported across the interface.

By conforming to the SCSA, the target driver can pass any SCSI command to a target device without knowledge of the hardware implementation of the host bus adapter.

The SCSA conceptually separates building the SCSI command (by the target driver) from transporting the SCSI command and data across the SCSI bus.

The architecture defines the software interface between high-level and low-level software components. The higher level software component consists of one or more SCSI target drivers, which translate I/O requests into SCSI commands appropriate for the peripheral device.

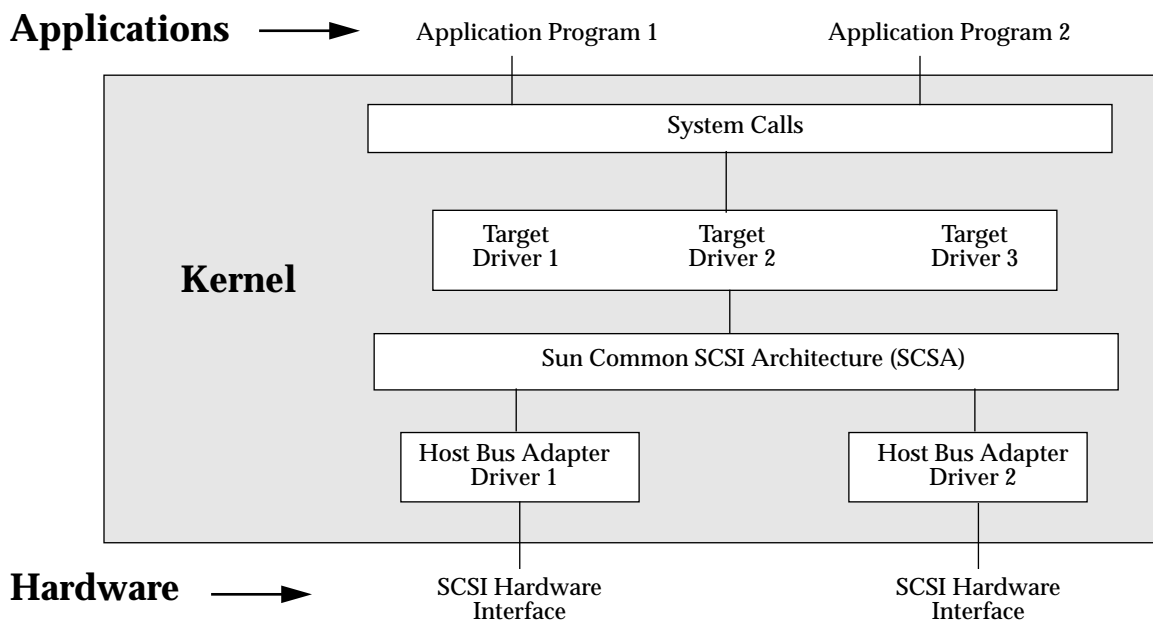


Figure 11-1 SCSA Block Diagram

The lower-level software component consists of a SCSI interface layer and one or more host bus adapter drivers. The host bus adapter driver has several responsibilities. It must:

- Manage host bus adapter hardware
- Accept SCSI commands from the SCSI target driver
- Transport the commands to the specified SCSI target device
- Perform any data transfers that the command requires
- Collect status
- Handle auto-request sense (optional)
- Inform the target driver of command completion (or failure)

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**Note** – See Chapter 12, “SCSI Host Bus Adapter Drivers” for more information.

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The target driver is completely responsible for the generation of the proper SCSI commands required to execute the desired function.

### *General Flow of Control*

When transferring data to or from a user address space (using the `read(9E)` or `write(9E)` entry points) SCSI target character device drivers must use `physio(9F)`, which locks down memory, prepares a `buf(9S)` structure, and calls the driver’s `strategy(9E)` routine.

`physio(9F)` locks down the user buffer into memory before issuing a SCSI command. The file system locks down memory for block device drivers. See Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices”, for more information on writing a `strategy(9E)` entry point and Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices”, for more information on using `physio(9F)`.

Assuming no transport errors occur, the following steps describe the general flow of control for a read or write request starting from the call to the target driver’s `strategy` routine:

1. The target driver’s `strategy(9E)` routine checks the request and allocates a `scsi_pkt(9S)` using `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`. The target driver initializes the packet and sets the SCSI CDB using the `makecom(9F)` function. The target driver also specifies a timeout and provides a pointer to a callback function, which is called by the host bus adapter driver on completion of the command. The `buf(9S)` pointer should be saved in the `scsi` packet’s target-private space.

2. The target driver submits the packet to the host bus adapter driver using `scsi_transport(9F)`. The target driver is then free to accept other requests. The target driver should not access the packet while it is in transport. If either the host bus adapter driver or the target support queueing, new requests can be submitted while the packet is in transport.
3. As soon as the SCSI bus is free and the target not busy, the host bus adapter driver selects the target and passes the CDB. The target executes the command and performs the requested data transfers. The target controls the SCSI bus phase transitions. The host bus adapter just responds to these transitions until the command completes.
4. After the target sends completion status and disconnects, the host bus adapter driver notifies the target driver by calling the completion function which was specified in the scsi packet. At this time the host bus adapter driver is no longer responsible for the packet, and the target driver has regained ownership of the packet.
5. The SCSI packet's completion routine analyzes the returned information and determines whether the SCSI operation was successful. If a failure has occurred, the target driver may retry the command by calling `scsi_transport(9F)` again. If the host bus adapter driver does not support auto request sense, the target driver must submit a request sense packet in order to retrieve the sense data in the event of a check condition.
6. If either the command completed successfully or cannot be retried, the target driver calls `scsi_destroy_pkt(9F)` which synchronizes the data and frees the packet. If the target driver needs to access the data before freeing the packet, it may call `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)`
7. Finally, the target driver notifies the application program that originally requested the read or write that the transaction is complete, either by returning from the `read(9E)` entry point in the driver (for a character device) or indirectly through `biodone(9F)`.

The SCSI allows the execution of many of such operations, both overlapped and queued at various points in the process. The model places the management of system resources on the host bus adapter driver. The software interface allows the execution of target driver functions on host bus adapter drivers using SCSI bus adapters of varying degrees of intelligence.

## SCSA Functions

SCSA defines a number of functions, listed in Table 11-1, which manage the allocation and freeing of resources, the sensing and setting of control states, and the transport of SCSI commands:

*Table 11-1* Standard SCSA Functions

<b>Function Name</b>	<b>Category</b>
<code>scsi_init_pkt(9F)</code>	Resource management
<code>scsi_sync_pkt(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_dmafree(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_destroy_pkt(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_free_consistent_buf(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_transport(9F)</code>	Command transport
<code>scsi_ifgetcap(9F)</code>	Transport information and control
<code>scsi_ifsetcap(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_abort(9F)</code>	Error handling
<code>scsi_reset(9F)</code>	
<code>scsi_poll(9F)</code>	Polled I/O
<code>scsi_probe(9F)</code>	Probe functions
<code>scsi_unprobe(9F)</code>	
<code>makecom_g0(9F)</code>	CDB initialization functions
<code>makecom_g1(9F)</code>	
<code>makecom_g0_s(9F)</code>	
<code>makecom_g5(9F)</code>	

## SCSA Compatibility Functions

The functions listed in Table 11-2 are maintained for both source and binary compatibility with previous releases. However, new drivers should use the new functions listed in Table 11-1.

Table 11-2 SCSA Compatibility Functions

Function Name	Category
scsi_resalloc(9F)	Resource management
scsi_resfree(9F)	
scsi_pktalloc(9F)	
scsi_pktfree(9F)	
scsi_dmaget(9F)	
get_pktiopb(9F)	
free_pktiopb(9F)	Probe functions
scsi_slave(9F)	
scsi_unslave(9F)	

## SCSI Target Drivers

### Hardware Configuration File

Since SCSI devices are not self-identifying, a hardware configuration file is required for a target driver (see `driver.conf(4)` and `scsi(4)` for details). A typical configuration file looks like this:

```
name="xx" class="scsi" target=2 lun=0;
```

The system reads the file during autoconfiguration and uses the `class` property to identify the driver's possible parent. The system then attempts to attach the driver to any parent driver that is of class `scsi`. All host bus adapter drivers are of this class. Using the `class` property rather than the `parent` property allows the target driver to be attached to any host bus adapter driver that finds the expected device at the specified `target` and `lun` ids. The target driver is responsible for verifying this in its `probe(9E)` routine.

## *Declarations and Data Structures*

Target drivers must include the header file `<sys/scsi/scsi.h>`.

SCSI target drivers must also include this declaration:

```
char _depends_on[] = "misc/scsi";
```

### *scsi\_device Structure*

The host bus adapter driver allocates and initializes a `scsi_device(9S)` structure for the target driver before either the `probe(9E)` or `attach(9E)` routine is called. This structure stores information about each SCSI logical unit, including pointers to information areas that contain both generic and device specific information. There is one `scsi_device(9S)` structure for each logical unit attached to the system. The target driver can retrieve a pointer to this structure by calling `ddi_get_driver_private(9F)`.

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**Caution** – Because the host bus adapter driver uses the private field in the target device’s `dev_info` structure, target drivers should not use `ddi_set_driver_private(9F)`.

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The `scsi_device(9S)` structure contains the following fields:

```
struct scsi_address      sd_address;  
dev_info_t              *sd_dev;  
kmutex_t                sd_mutex;  
struct scsi_inquiry     *sd_inq;  
struct scsi_extended_sense *sd_sense;  
caddr_t                 sd_private;
```

`sd_address` is a data structure that is passed to the SCSI resource allocation routines.

`sd_dev` is a pointer to the target’s `dev_info` structure.

`sd_mutex` is a mutex for use by the target driver. This is initialized by the host bus adapter driver and can be used by the target driver as a per-device mutex. Do not hold this mutex across a call to `scsi_transport(9F)` or `scsi_poll(9F)`. See Chapter 4, “Multithreading” for more information on mutexes.



`sd_inq` is a pointer for the target device's SCSI Inquiry data. The `scsi_probe(9F)` routine allocates a buffer, fills it in, and attaches it to this field.

`sd_sense` is a pointer to a buffer to contain SCSI Request Sense data from the device. The target driver must allocate and manage this buffer itself; see “`attach()`” on page 236.

`sd_private` is a pointer field for use by the target driver. It is commonly used to store a pointer to a private target driver state structure.

### `scsi_pkt` Structure

This structure contains the following fields:

```
struct scsi_address    pkt_address;
opaque_t              pkt_private;
void                  (*pkt_comp)(struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
long                  pkt_flags;
u_long                pkt_time;
u_char                *pkt_scbp;
u_char                *pkt_cdbp;
long                  pkt_resid;
u_long                pkt_state;
u_long                pkt_statistics;
u_char                pkt_reason;
```

`pkt_address` is the target device's address set by `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`

`pkt_private` is a place to store private data for the target driver. It is commonly used to save the `buf(9S)` pointer for the command.

`pkt_comp` is the address of the completion routine. The host bus adapter driver calls this routine when it has transported the command. This does not mean that the command succeeded; the target might have been busy or may not have responded before the time-out time elapsed (see the description for `pkt_time` field). The target driver must supply a valid value in this field, though it can be `NULL` if the driver does not want to be notified.

**Note** – There are two different SCSI callback routines. The `pkt_comp` field identifies a *completion callback* routine, called when the host bus adapter completes its processing. There is also a *resource callback* routine, called when currently unavailable resources are likely to be available (as in `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`).

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`pkt_flags` provides additional control information, for example, to transport the command without disconnect privileges (`FLAG_NODISCON`) or to disable callbacks (`FLAG_NOINTR`). See `scsi_pkt(9S)` for details.

`pkt_time` is a timeout value (in seconds). If the command does not complete within this time, the host bus adapter calls the completion routine with `pkt_reason` set to `CMD_TIMEOUT`. The target driver should set this field to longer than the maximum time the command might take. If the timeout is zero, no timeout is requested. Timeout starts when the command is transmitted on the SCSI bus.

`pkt_scbp` is a pointer to the SCSI Status completion block; this is filled in by the host bus adapter driver.

`pkt_cdbp` is a pointer to the SCSI Command Descriptor Block, the actual command to be sent to the target device. The host bus adapter driver does not interpret this field. The target driver must fill it in with a command that the target device understands.

`pkt_resid` is the residual of the operation. When allocating DMA resources for a command `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`, `pkt_resid` indicates the number of bytes for which DMA resources could *not* be allocated due to DMA hardware scatter/gather or other device limitations. After command transport, `pkt_resid` indicates the number of data bytes *not* transferred; this is filled in by the host bus adapter driver before the completion routine is called.

`pkt_state` indicates the state of the command. The host bus adapter driver fills in this field as the command progresses. One bit is set in this field for each of the five following command states:

- `STATE_GOT_BUS` - Acquired the bus
- `STATE_GOT_TARGET` - Selected the target
- `STATE_SENT_CMD` - Sent the command
- `STATE_XFERRED_DATA` - Transferred data (if appropriate)
- `STATE_GOT_STATUS` - Received status from the device

`pkt_statistics` contains transport-related statistics, set by the host bus adapter driver.

`pkt_reason` gives the reason the completion routine was called. The main function of the completion routine is to decode this field and take the appropriate action. If the command completed—in other words, if there were no transport errors—this field is set to `CMD_CMPLT`; other values in this field indicate an error. After a command completes, the target driver should examine the `pkt_scbp` field for a check condition status. See `scsi_pkt(9S)` for more information.

### *State Structure*

This section adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 for more information.

```
struct scsi_pkt    *rqs;        /* Request Sense packet */
struct buf        *rqsbuf;     /* buf for Request Sense */
struct scsi_pkt    *pkt;       /* packet for current command */
struct scsi_device *sdp;       /* pointer to device's */
                                /* scsi_device(9S) structure. */
```

`rqs` is a pointer to a SCSI Request Sense command `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure, allocated in the `attach(9E)` routine. This packet is preallocated because the Request Sense command is small and may be used in time-critical areas of the driver (such as when handling errors).

## *Autoconfiguration*

SCSI target drivers must implement the standard autoconfiguration routines `_init(9E)`, `_fini(9E)`, `_info(9E)`, and `identify(9E)`. See Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration,” for more information.

`probe(9E)`, `attach(9E)`, and `getinfo(9E)` are also required, but they must perform SCSI (and SCSI) specific processing.

`probe ( )`

SCSI target devices are not self-identifying, so target drivers must have a `probe(9E)` routine. This routine must determine whether or not the expected type of device is present and responding.

The general structure and return codes of the `probe(9E)` routine are the same as those of other device drivers. See `probe()` on page 87 for more information. SCSI target drivers must use the `scsi_probe(9F)` routine in their `probe(9E)` entry point. `scsi_probe(9F)` sends a SCSI Inquiry command to the device and returns a code indicating the result. If the SCSI Inquiry command is successful, `scsi_probe(9F)` allocates a `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure and fills it in with the device's Inquiry data. Upon return from `scsi_probe(9F)`, the `sd_inq` field of the `scsi_device(9S)` structure points to this `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure.

Since `probe(9E)` must be stateless, the target driver must call `scsi_unprobe(9F)` before `probe(9E)` returns, even if `scsi_probe(9F)` fails.

Code Example 11-1 shows a typical `probe(9E)` routine. It retrieves its `scsi_device(9S)` structure from the private field of its `dev_info` structure. It also retrieves the device's SCSI target and logical unit numbers so that it can print them in messages. The `probe(9E)` routine then calls `scsi_probe(9F)` to verify that the expected device (a printer in this case) is present.

If `scsi_probe(9F)` succeeds, it has attached the device's SCSI Inquiry data in a `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure, to the `sd_inq` field of the `scsi_device(9S)` structure. The driver can then check to see if the device type is a printer (reported in the `inq_dtype` field). If it is, the type is reported with `scsi_log(9F)`, using `scsi_dname(9F)` to convert the device type into a string.

*Code Example 11-1* SCSI target driver `probe(9E)` routine

```
static int
xxprobe(dev_info_t *dip)
{
    struct scsi_device *sdp;
    int rval, target, lun;
    /*
     * Get a pointer to the scsi_device(9S) structure
     */
    sdp = (struct scsi_device *)ddi_get_driver_private(dip);

    target = sdp->sd_address.a_target;
    lun = sdp->sd_address.a_lun;
    /*
     * Call scsi_probe(9F) to send the Inquiry command. It will
     * fill in the sd_inq field of the scsi_device structure.
     */
    switch (scsi_probe(sdp, NULL_FUNC)) {
```

```
case SCSI_PROBE_FAILURE:
case SCSI_PROBE_NORESP:
case SCSI_PROBE_NOMEM:
    /*
     * In these cases, device may be powered off,
     * in which case we may be able to successfully
     * probe it at some future time - referred to
     * as 'deferred attach'.
     */
    rval = DDI_PROBE_PARTIAL;
    break;
case SCSI_PROBE_NONCCS:
default:
    /*
     * Device isn't of the type we can deal with,
     * and/or it will never be useable.
     */
    rval = DDI_PROBE_FAILURE;
    break;
case SCSI_PROBE_EXISTS:
    /*
     * There is a device at the target/lun address. Check
     * inq_dtype to make sure that it is the right device
     * type. See scsi_inquiry(9S) for possible device types.
     */
    switch (sdp->sd_inq->inq_dtype) {
    case DTYPE_PRINTER:
        scsi_log(sdp, "xx", SCSI_DEBUG,
            "found %s device at target%d, lun%d\n",
            scsi_dname((int)sdp->sd_inq->inq_dtype),
            target, lun);
        rval = DDI_PROBE_SUCCESS;
        break;
    case DTYPE_NOTPRESENT:
    default:
        rval = DDI_PROBE_FAILURE;
        break;
    }
}
scsi_unprobe(sdp);
return (rval);
}
```

A more thorough `probe(9E)` routine could also check other fields of the `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure as necessary to make sure that the device is of the type expected by a particular driver.

`attach( )`

After the `probe(9E)` routine has verified that the expected device is present, `attach(9E)` is called. This routine allocates and initializes any per-instance data and creates minor device node information. See “`attach( )`” on page 105 for details of this. In addition to these steps, a SCSI target driver again calls `scsi_probe(9F)` to retrieve the device’s Inquiry data and also creates a SCSI Request Sense packet. If the attach is successful, the attach function should not call `scsi_unprobe`.

Three routines are used to create the Request Sense packet: `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)`, `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`, and `makecom_g0(9F)`. `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)` allocates a buffer suitable for consistent DMA and returns a pointer to a `buf(9S)` structure. The advantage of a consistent buffer is that no explicit syncing of the data is required. In other words, the target driver can access the data after the callback. The `sd_sense` element of the device’s `scsi_device(9S)` structure must be initialized with the address of the sense buffer. `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` creates and partially initializes a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure. `makecom_g0(9F)` creates a SCSI Command Descriptor Block (CDB), in this case creating a SCSI Request Sense command.

*Code Example 11-2* SCSI target driver `attach(9E)` routine.

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate      *xsp;
    struct scsi_pkt     *rqpkt = NULL;
    struct scsi_device *sdp;
    struct buf         *bp = NULL;
    int                 instance;

    instance = ddi_get_instance(dip);
    allocate a state structure and initialize it
    ...
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    sdp = (struct scsi_device *) ddi_get_driver_private(dip);
```

```
/*
 * Cross-link the state and scsi_device(9S) structures.
 */
sdp->sd_private = (caddr_t) xsp;
xsp->sdp = sdp;
call scsi_probe(9F) again to get and validate inquiry data
/*
 * Allocate a request sense buffer. The buf(9S) structure
 * is set to NULL to tell the routine to allocate a new
 * one. The callback function is set to NULL_FUNC to tell
 * the routine to return failure immediately if no
 * resources are available.
 */
bp = scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(&sdp->sd_address, NULL,
    SENSE_LENGTH, B_READ, NULL_FUNC, NULL);
if (bp == NULL)
    goto failed;
/*
 * Create a Request Sense scsi_pkt(9S) structure.
 */
rqpkt = scsi_init_pkt(&sdp->sd_address, NULL, bp,
    CDB_GROUP0, 1, 0, PKT_CONSISTENT, NULL_FUNC, NULL);
if (rqpkt == NULL)
    goto failed;
/*
 * scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F) returned a buf(9S) structure.
 * The actual buffer address is in b_un.b_addr.
 */
sdp->sd_sense = (struct scsi_extended_sense *) bp->b_un.b_addr;
/*
 * Create a Group0 CDB for the Request Sense command
 */
makecom_g0(rqpkt, devp, 0, SCMD_REQUEST_SENSE,
    0, SENSE_LENGTH);
/*
 * Fill in the rest of the scsi_pkt structure.
 * xxcallback() is the private command completion routine.
 */
rqpkt->pkt_comp = xxcallback;
rqpkt->pkt_time = 30; /* 30 second command timeout */
rqpkt->pkt_flags |= FLAG_SENSING;
xsp->rqs = rqpkt;
xsp->rqsbuf = bp;
```

```

        create minor nodes, report device, and do any other initialization
xsp->open = 0;
return (DDI_SUCCESS);
failed:
    if (bp)
        scsi_free_consistent_buf(bp);
    if (rqpkt)
        scsi_destroy_pkt(rqpkt);

    sdp->sd_private = (caddr_t) NULL;
    sdp->sd_sense = NULL;
    scsi_unprobe(sdp);
    free any other resources, such as the state structure
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}

```

detach( )

The detach(9E) entry point is the inverse of attach(9E); it must free all resources that were allocated in attach(9E). If successful, the detach should call scsi\_unprobe.

*Code Example 11-3* SCSI target driver detach(9E) routine

```

static int
xxdetach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    normal detach(9E) operations, such as getting a pointer to the state structure
    ...
    scsi_free_consistent_buf(xsp->rqsbuf);
    scsi_destroy_pkt(xsp->rqs);
    xsp->sdp->sd_private = (caddr_t) NULL;
    xsp->sdp->sd_sense = NULL;
    scsi_unprobe(xsp->sdp);
    remove minor nodes
    free resources, such as the state structure
    return (DDI_SUCCESS);
}

```



```
getinfo ( )
```

The `getinfo(9E)` routine for SCSI target drivers is much the same as for other drivers; see “`getinfo( )`” on page 112 for more information on `DDI_INFO_DEVT2INSTANCE` case. However, in the `DDI_INFO_DEVT2DEVINFO` case of the `getinfo(9E)` routine, the target driver must return a pointer to its `dev_info` node. This can be saved in the driver state structure or can be retrieved from the `sd_dev` field of the `scsi_device(9S)` structure.

*Code Example 11-4* Alternative SCSI target driver `getinfo(9E)` code fragment

```
...
case DDI_INFO_DEVT2DEVINFO:
    dev = (dev_t) arg;
    instance = getminor(dev);
    xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
    if (xsp == NULL)
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    *result = (void *) xsp->sdp->sd_dev;
    return (DDI_SUCCESS);
...
```

## Resource Allocation

To send a SCSI command to the device, the target driver must create and initialize a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure and pass it to the host bus adapter driver.

```
scsi_init_pkt( )
```

The `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` routine allocates and zeros a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure; it also sets pointers to `pkt_private`, `*pkt_scbp`, `*pkt_cdbp`. Additionally, it provides a callback mechanism to handle the case where resources are not available. This structure contains the following fields:

```
struct scsi_pkt *scsi_init_pkt(struct scsi_address *ap,
    struct scsi_pkt *pktp, struct buf *bp, int cmdlen,
    int statuslen, int privatelen, int flags,
    int (*callback)(caddr_t), caddr_t arg)
```

`ap` is a pointer to a `scsi_address` structure. This is the `sd_address` field of the device's `scsi_device(9S)` structure.

`pktp` is a pointer to the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure to be initialized. If this is set to `NULL`, a new packet is allocated.

`bp` is a pointer to a `buf(9S)` structure. If this is non-`NULL` and contains a valid byte count, DMA resources are allocated.

`cmdlen` is the length of the SCSI Command Descriptor Block (CDB) in bytes.

`statuslen` is the required length of the SCSI status completion block, in bytes.

`privatelen` is the number of bytes to allocate for the `pkt_private` field. To store a pointer, specify the size of the pointer here (such as `sizeof(struct xxstate *)` when storing a pointer to the state structure).

`flags` is a set of flags. Possible bits include:

- `PKT_CONSISTENT`

This must be set if the DMA buffer was allocated using `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)`. In this case, the host bus adapter driver guarantees that the data transfer is properly synchronized before performing the target driver's command completion callback.

- `PKT_DMA_PARTIAL`

This may be set if the driver can accept a partial DMA mapping. If set, `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` allocates DMA resources with the `DDI_DMA_PARTIAL dmar_flag` set. The `pkt_resid(9E)` field of the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure may be returned with a non-zero residual, indicating the number of bytes for which `scsi_init_pkt()` was unable to allocate DMA resources.

`callback` specifies the action to take if resources are not available. If set to `NULL_FUNC`, `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` returns immediately (returning `NULL`). If set to `SLEEP_FUNC`, it does not return until resources are available. Any other valid kernel address is interpreted as the address of a function to be called when resources are likely to be available.

`arg` is the parameter to pass to the callback function.

The `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` routine synchronizes the data prior to transport. If the driver needs to access the data after transport, the `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)` routine can be used to synchronize any cached data.

The `scsi_destroy_pkt(9F)` routine synchronizes any remaining cached data associated with the packet, if necessary, and then frees the packet and associated command, status, and target driver private data areas. This routine should be called in the command completion routine (see `scsi_pkt` structure on page 193).

If the target driver wants to resubmit the packet after changing the data, `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)` must be called before calling `scsi_transport(9F)`. However, if the target driver does not need to access the data, there is no need to call `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)` after the transport.

```
scsi_alloc_consistent_buf( )
```

For most I/O requests, the data buffer passed to the driver entry points is not accessed directly by the driver, it is just passed on to `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`. If a driver sends SCSI commands which operate on buffers the driver examines itself (such as the SCSI Request Sense command), the buffers should be DMA consistent. The `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)` routine allocates a `buf(9S)` structure and a data buffer suitable for DMA consistent operations. The HBA will perform any necessary synchronization of the buffer before performing the command completion callback.

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**Caution** - `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)` uses scarce system resources; it should be used sparingly.

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`scsi_free_consistent_buf(9F)` releases a `buf(9S)` structure and the associated data buffer allocated with `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)`. See “`attach( )`” on page 236 and “`detach( )`” on page 238 for examples.

## *Building and Transporting a Command*

The host bus adapter driver is responsible for transmitting the command to the device and taking care of the low-level SCSI protocol. The `scsi_transport(9F)` routine hands a packet to the host bus adapter driver for transmission. It is the target driver’s responsibility to create a valid `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure.

## Building a Command

The routine `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` allocates space for a SCSI CDB, allocates DMA resources if necessary, and sets the `pkt_flags` field:

```
pkt = scsi_init_pkt(&sdp->sd_address, NULL, bp,
                  CDB_GROUP0, 1, 0, 0, SLEEP_FUNC, NULL);
```

This example creates a new packet and allocates DMA resources as specified in the passed `buf(9S)` structure pointer. A SCSI CDB is allocated for a Group 0 (6 byte) command, the `pkt_flags` field is set to zero, but no space is allocated for the `pkt_private` field. This call to `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`, because of the `SLEEP_FUNC` parameter, waits indefinitely for resources if none are currently available.

The next step is to initialize the SCSI CDB, using the `makecom(9F)` family of functions:

```
makecom_g0(pkt, sdp, flags, SCMD_READ, bp->b_blkno,
           bp->b_bcount >> DEV_BSHIFT);
```

This example builds a Group 0 Command Descriptor Block and fills in the `pkt_cdbp` field as follows:

- The command itself (byte 0) is set from the fourth parameter (`SCMD_READ`).
- The target device's logical unit number (bits 5-7 of byte 1) is set using `sd_address` field of `sdp`.
- The `pkt_flags` field is set from the `flags` parameter.
- The address field (bits 0-4 of byte 1 and bytes 2 and 3) is set from `bp->b_blkno`.
- The count field (byte 4) is set from the last parameter. In this case it is set to `bp->b_bcount >> DEV_BSHIFT`, where `DEV_BSHIFT` is the byte count of the transfer converted to the number of blocks.

After initializing the SCSI CDB, initialize three other fields in the packet and store as a pointer to the packet in the state structure.

```
pkt->pkt_private = (opaque_t) bp;
pkt->pkt_comp = xxcallback;
pkt->pkt_time = 30;
xsp->pkt = pkt;
```

The `buf(9S)` pointer is saved in the `pkt_private` field for later use in the completion routine.

## Capabilities

The target drivers use `scsi_ifsetcap(9F)` to set the capabilities of the host adapter driver. A *cap* is a name-value pair whose name is a null terminated character string and whose value is an integer. The current value of a capability can be retrieved using `scsi_ifgetcap(9F)`. `scsi_ifsetcap(9F)` allows capabilities to be set for all targets on the bus.

In general, however, setting capabilities of targets that are not owned by the target driver is not recommended and is not universally supported by HBA drivers. Some capabilities (such as disconnect and synchronous) may be set by default by the HBA driver but others may need to be explicitly set by the target driver (wide-xfer or tagged-queuing, for example).

## Transporting a Command

After creating and filling in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure, the final step is to hand it to the host bus adapter driver:

```
if (scsi_transport(pkt) != TRAN_ACCEPT) {
    bp->b_resid = bp->b_bcount;
    bioerror(bp, EIO);
    biodone(bp);
}
```

The other return values from `scsi_transport(9F)` are:

- `TRAN_BUSY` - There is already a command in progress for the specified target.
- `TRAN_BADPKT` - The DMA count in the packet was too large, or the host adapter driver rejected this packet for other reasons.
- `TRAN_FATAL_ERROR` - The host adapter driver is unable to accept this packet.

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**Warning** - The mutex `sd_mutex` in the `scsi_device(9S)` structure must not be held across a call to `scsi_transport(9F)`.

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If `scsi_transport(9F)` returns `TRAN_ACCEPT`, the packet is the responsibility of the host bus adapter driver and should not be accessed by the target driver until the command completion routine is called.

### *Synchronous* `scsi_transport(9F)`

If `FLAG_NOINTR` is set in the packet, then `scsi_transport(9F)` will not return until the command completes and no callback will be performed.

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**Note** – `FLAG_NOINTR` should never be used in interrupt context.

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## *Command Completion*

Once the host bus adapter driver has done all it can with the command, it invokes the packet's completion callback routine, passing a pointer to the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure as a parameter. The completion routine decodes the packet and takes the appropriate action.

A very simple completion callback routine is given in Code Example 11-5. This code checks for transport failures and gives up rather than retry the command. If the target is busy, extra code is required to resubmit the command at a later time.

If the command results in a check condition, the target driver needs to send a request sense command, unless auto request sense has not been enabled.

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**Note** – Normally the target driver's callback function is called in interrupt context. Consequently, the callback function should never sleep.

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### *Code Example 11-5* SCSI driver completion routine

```
static void
xxcallback(struct scsi_pkt *pkt)
{
    struct buf      *bp;
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    int             instance;
    struct scsi_status *ssp;
    /*
     * Get a pointer to the buf(9S) structure for the command
     * and to the per-instance data structure.
     */
}
```

```
bp = (struct buf *) pkt->pkt_private;
instance = getminor(bp->b_edev);
xsp = ddi_get_soft_state(statep, instance);
/*
 * Figure out why this callback routine was called
 */
if (pkt->pkt_reason != CMP_CMPLT) {
    bp->b_resid = bp->b_bcount;
    bioerror(bp, EIO);
    scsi_destroy_pkt(pkt); /* release resources */
    biodone(bp);          /* notify waiting threads */ ;
} else {
    /*
     * Command completed, check status.
     * See scsi_status(9S)
     */
    ssp = (struct scsi_status *) pkt->pkt_scbp;
    if (ssp->sts_busy) {
        error, target busy or reserved
    } else if (ssp->sts_chk) {
        send a request sense command
    } else {
        bp->b_resid = pkt->pkt_resid; /*packet completed OK */
        scsi_destroy_pkt(pkt);
        biodone(bp);
    }
}
}
```

Otherwise, the command succeeded. If this is the end of processing for the command, it destroys the packet and calls `biodone(9F)`.

In the event of a transport error (such as a bus reset or parity problem), the target driver may resubmit the packet using `scsi_transport(9E)`. There is no need to change any values in the packet prior to resubmitting.

This example does not attempt to retry incomplete commands. See Appendix D, “Sample Driver Source Code Listings” for information about sample SCSI drivers. Also see Appendix F, “Advanced Topics” for further information.

## *Reuse of packets*

A target driver may reuse packets in the following ways:

- Resubmit the packet unchanged
- Use `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)` to sync the data, then process the data in the driver and resubmit
- Free DMA resources, using `scsi_dma_free(9F)`, and pass the `pkt` pointer to `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` for binding to a new `bp`. The target driver is responsible for reinitializing the packet. The CDB has to have the same length as the previous CDB.
- If partial DMA was allocated during the first call to `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`, subsequent calls to `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` may be made for the same packet and `bp` to adjust the DMA resources to the next portion of the transfer

### *Auto-Request Sense Mode*

Auto-request sense mode is most desirable if tagged or untagged queueing is used. A contingent allegiance condition is cleared by any subsequent command and, consequently, the sense data is lost. Most HBA drivers will start the next command before performing the target driver callback. Other HBA drivers may use a separate and lower priority thread to perform the callbacks, which may increase the time it takes to notify the target driver that the packet completed with a check condition. In this case, the target driver may not be able to submit a request sense command in time to retrieve the sense data.

To avoid this loss of sense data, the HBA driver, or controller, should issue a request sense command as soon as a check condition has been detected; this mode is known as auto-request sense mode. Note that not all HBA drivers are capable of auto-request sense mode, and some can only operate with auto-request-sense mode enabled.

A target driver enables auto-request-sense mode by using `scsi_ifsetcap(9F)`. Code Example 11-6 is an example of enabling auto request sense.

*Code Example 11-6* Enabling auto request sense

```
static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    struct xxstate *xsp;
    struct scsi_device *sdp = (struct scsi_device *)
        ddi_get_driver_private(dip);
    ...
}
```



```

/*
 * enable auto-request-sense; an auto-request-sense cmd may fail
 * due to a BUSY condition or transport error. Therefore, it is
 * recommended to allocate a separate request sense packet as
 * well.
 * Note that scsi_ifsetcap(9F) may return -1, 0, or 1
 */
xsp->sdp_arq_enabled =
    ((scsi_ifsetcap(ROUTE, "auto-rqsense", 1, 1) == 1) ? 1 : 0);
/*
 * if the HBA driver supports auto request sense then the
 * status blocks should be sizeof (struct scsi_arq_status); else
 * one byte is sufficient
 */
xsp->sdp_cmd_stat_size = (xsp->sdp_arq_enabled ?
    sizeof (struct scsi_arq_status) : 1);
...
}

```

When a packet is allocated using `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` and auto request sense is desired on this packet then the target driver must request additional space for the status block to hold the auto request sense structure (as Code Example 11-7 illustrates). The sense length used in the request sense command is `sizeof (struct scsi_extended_sense)`.

The `scsi_arq_status` structure contains the following members:

```

struct scsi_status sts_status;
struct scsi_status sts_rqpkt_status;
u_char             sts_rqpkt_reason; /* reason completion */
u_char             sts_rqpkt_resid; /* residue */
u_long             sts_rqpkt_state; /* state of command */
u_long             sts_rqpkt_statistics; /* statistics */
struct scsi_extended_sense sts_sensedata;

```

Auto request sense can be disabled per individual packet by just allocating `sizeof (struct scsi_status)` for the status block.

**Code Example 11-7** Allocating a packet with auto request sense

```

pkt = scsi_init_pkt(ROUTE, NULL, bp, CDB_GROUP1,
    xsp->sdp_cmd_stat_size, PP_LEN, 0, func, (caddr_t) xsp);

```

The packet is submitted using `scsi_transport(9F)` as usual. When a check condition occurs on this packet, the host adapter driver:

- Issues a request sense command if the controller doesn't have auto-request-sense capability.
- Obtains the sense data
- Fills in the `scsi_arq_status` information in the packet's status block
- Sets `STATE_ARQ_DONE` in the packet's `pkt_state` field.
- Calls the packet's callback handler (`pkt_comp`)

The target driver's callback routine should verify that sense data is available by checking the `STATE_ARQ_DONE` bit in `pkt_state` which implies that a check condition has occurred and a request sense has been performed. If auto-request-sense has been temporarily disabled in a packet, there is no guarantee that the sense data can be retrieved at a later time.

The target driver should then verify whether the auto request sense command completed successfully and decode the sense data.

*Code Example 11-8* Checking for auto request sense

```
static void
xxcallback(struct scsi_pkt *pkt)
{
    ...
    if (pkt->pkt_state & STATE_ARQ_DONE) {
        /*
         * The transport layer successfully completed an
         * auto-request-sense.
         * Decode the auto request sense data here
         */
        ....
    }
    ...
}
```

See Appendix D, "Sample Driver Source Code Listings" for more information about scsi drivers.

## SCSI Host Bus Adapter Drivers

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12 

This chapter contains information on creating SCSI Host Bus Adapter (HBA) drivers and provides sample code illustrating the use of the HBA driver interfaces provided by the Sun Common SCSI Architecture (SCSA).

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**Note** – Understanding SCSI target drivers is an essential prerequisite to writing effective SCSI HBA drivers. Refer to Chapter 11, “SCSI Target Drivers”, for more information. Target driver developers will also benefit from reading this chapter.

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### Overview

As described in Chapter 11, “SCSI Target Drivers”, the Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI divides the software interface to SCSI devices into two major parts:

- target devices and drivers
- host bus adapter devices and drivers

*Target device* refers to a device on a SCSI bus, such as a disk or a tape drive. *Target driver* refers to a software component installed as a device driver. Each target device on a SCSI bus is controlled by one instance of the target driver.

*Host bus adapter device* refers to HBA hardware, such as an SBus or ISA SCSI adapter card. *Host bus adapter driver* refers to a software component installed as a device driver, such as the `esp` driver on a SPARCstation or the `aha` driver on an x86 machine. An instance of the HBA driver controls each of its host bus adapter devices configured in the system.

**Note** – The terms “host bus adapter” or “HBA” used in this manual are equivalent to the phrase “host adapter” as defined in the SCSI standards.

The Sun Common SCSI Architecture (SCSA) defines the interface between these target and HBA components.

### SCSA Interface

SCSA is the Solaris 2.x SPARC DDI/DKI programming interface for the transmission of SCSI commands from a target driver to a host adapter driver. By conforming to the SCSA, the target driver can pass any combination of SCSI commands and sequences to a target device without knowledge of the hardware implementation of the host adapter. SCSA conceptually separates the building of a SCSI command (by the target driver) from the transporting of the command to and data to and from the SCSI bus (by the HBA driver) for the appropriate target device. SCSA manages the connections between the target and HBA drivers through a HBA *transport layer*.

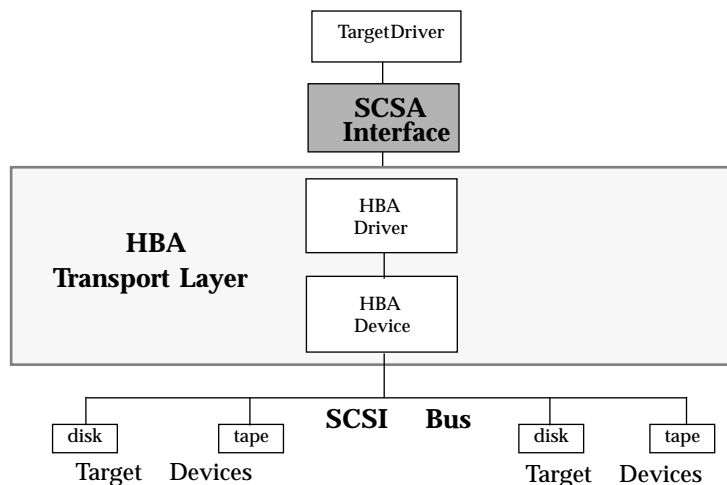


Figure 12-1 SCSA interface

## HBA Transport Layer

The *HBA transport layer* is a software and hardware layer responsible for transporting a SCSI command to a SCSI target device. The HBA driver provides resource allocation, DMA management and transport services in response to requests made by SCSI target drivers through SCSSA. The host adapter driver also manages the host adapter hardware and the SCSI protocols necessary to perform the commands. When a command has completed, the HBA driver calls the target driver's SCSI *pkt* command completion routine.

An illustration of this flow, with emphasis placed on the transfer of information from target drivers to SCSSA to HBA drivers, is displayed in Figure 12-2. Typical transport entry points and function calls are included.

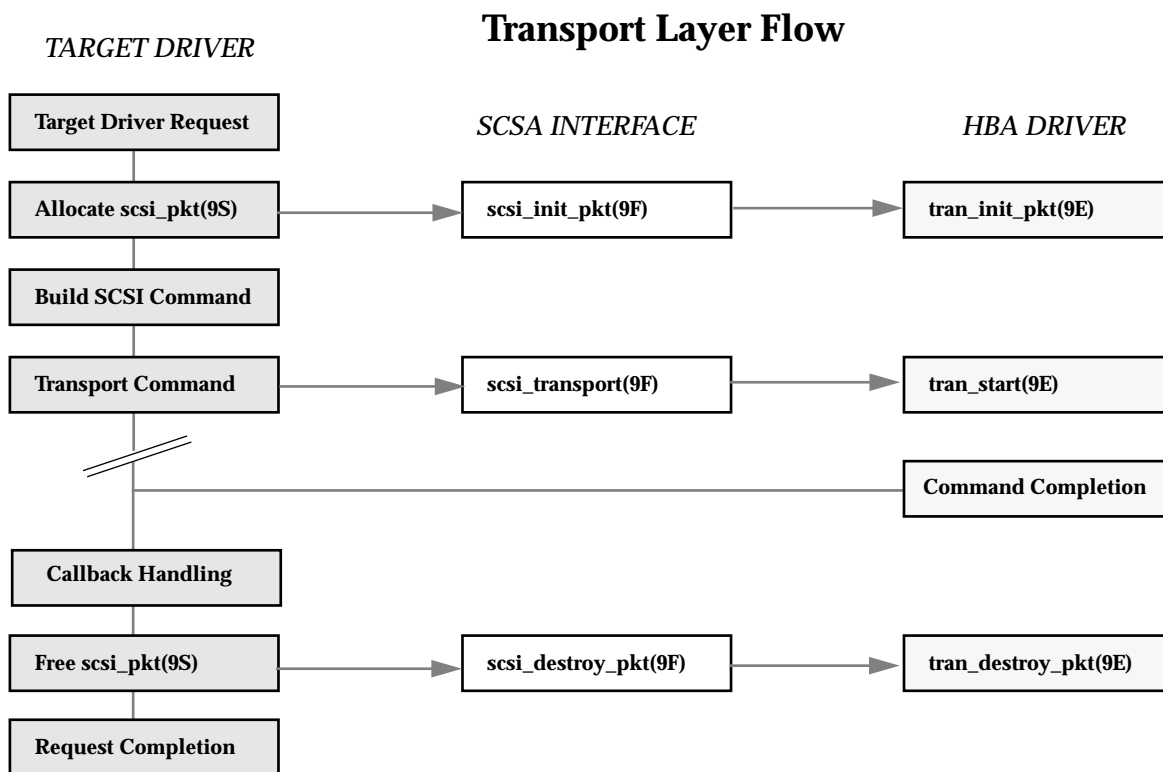


Figure 12-2 Transport layer flow

## SCSA HBA Interfaces

SCSA HBA interfaces include HBA entry points, HBA data structures and an HBA framework.

### SCSA HBA Entry Point Summary

SCSA defines a number of HBA driver entry points, listed in Table 12-1. These entry points are called by the system when configuring a target driver instance connected to the HBA driver, or when the target driver makes a SCSA request. See “SCSA HBA Entry Points” on page 274 for more information.

Table 12-1 SCSA HBA Entry Point Summary

Function Name	Called as a Result of:
tran_tgt_init(9E)	System attaching target device instance
tran_tgt_probe(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_probe(9F)
tran_tgt_free(9E)	System detaching target device instance
tran_start(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_transport(9F)
tran_reset(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_reset(9F)
tran_abort(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_abort(9F)
tran_getcap(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_ifgetcap(9F)
tran_setcap(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_ifsetcap(9F)
tran_init_pkt(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_init_pkt(9F)
tran_destroy_pkt(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_destroy_pkt(9F)
tran_dmafree(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_dmafree(9F)
tran_sync_pkt(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_sync_pkt(9F)
tran_reset_notify(9E)	Target driver calling scsi_reset_notify(9F)

### SCSA HBA Data Structures

SCSA defines data structures to enable the exchange of information between the target and HBA drivers. These data structures include:

- scsi\_hba\_tran(9S)
- scsi\_address(9S)

- `scsi_device(9S)`
- `scsi_pkt(9S)`

### `scsi_hba_tran`

Each instance of an HBA driver must allocate a `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure using `scsi_hba_tran_alloc(9F)` in the `attach(9E)` entry point.

`scsi_hba_tran_alloc(9S)` zeroes the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure before it returns. The HBA driver must initialize specific vectors in the transport structure to point to entry points within the HBA driver. Once initialized, the HBA driver exports the transport structure to SCSSA by calling `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`.

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**Caution** – Because SCSSA keeps a pointer to the transport structure in the driver private field on the `dev_info(9S)` structure, HBA drivers must not use `ddi_set_driver_private(9F)`. They may, however, use `ddi_get_driver_private(9F)` to retrieve the pointer to the transport structure.

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The `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure contains the following fields:

```
dev_info_t *tran_hba_dip;          /* HBA dev_info_t ptr */
void *tran_hba_private;          /* HBA softstate */
void *tran_tgt_private;          /* target-specific info */
struct scsi_device*tran_sd;      /* scsi_device, if clone */
int (*tran_tgt_init)();          /* target initialization */
int (*tran_tgt_probe)();        /* target probing */
void (*tran_tgt_free)();        /* target free */
int (*tran_start)();            /* command transport */
int (*tran_reset)();            /* target/bus reset */
int (*tran_abort)();            /* command abort */
int (*tran_getcap)();           /* get capability */
int (*tran_setcap)();           /* set capability */
struct scsi_pkt*(*tran_init_pkt)(); /* allocate scsi pkt */
void (*tran_destroy_pkt)();      /* free scsi pkt */
void (*tran_dmafree)();          /* free dma resources */
void (*tran_sync_pkt)();         /* sync data after dma */
void (*tran_reset_notify)();     /* bus reset notification */
```

**Note** – Code fragments presented later in this chapter use these fields to describe practical HBA driver operations. See “SCSA HBA Entry Points” on page 274 for more information.

`tran_hba_dip` is a pointer to the HBA device instance `dev_info` structure. This field is set by the function `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`.

`tran_hba_private` is a pointer to private data maintained by the HBA driver. Usually, `tran_hba_private` contains a pointer to the state structure of the HBA driver.

`tran_tgt_private` is a pointer to private data maintained by the HBA driver when using cloning. By specifying `SCSI_HBA_TRAN_CLONE` when calling `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`, the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure is cloned once per target, permitting the HBA to initialize this field to point to a per-target instance data structure in the `tran_tgt_init(9E)` entry point. If `SCSI_HBA_TRAN_CLONE` is not specified, `tran_tgt_private` is NULL and must not be referenced. Refer to “Transport Structure Cloning (optional)” on page 260 for more information.

`tran_sd` is a pointer to a per-target instance `scsi_device(9S)` structure used when cloning. If `SCSI_HBA_TRAN_CLONE` is passed to `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`, `tran_sd` is initialized to point to the per-target `scsi_device` structure before any HBA functions are called on behalf of that target. If `SCSI_HBA_TRAN_CLONE` is not specified, `tran_sd` is NULL and must not be referenced. Refer to “Transport Structure Cloning (optional)” on page 260 for more information.

`tran_tgt_init` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when initializing a target device instance. If no per-target initialization is required, the HBA may leave `tran_tgt_init` set to NULL.

`tran_tgt_probe` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver instance calls `scsi_probe(9F)` to probe for the existence of a target device. If no target probing customization is required for this HBA, the HBA should set `tran_tgt_probe` to `scsi_hba_probe(9F)`.

`tran_tgt_free` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target device instance is destroyed. If no per-target deallocation is necessary, the HBA may leave `tran_tgt_free` set to NULL.



`tran_start` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_transport(9F)`.

`tran_reset` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_reset(9F)`.

`tran_abort` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_abort(9F)`.

`tran_getcap` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_getcap(9F)`.

`tran_setcap` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_setcap(9F)`.

`tran_init_pkt` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`.

`tran_destroy_pkt` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_destroy_pkt(9F)`.

`tran_dmafree` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_dmafree(9F)`.

`tran_sync_pkt` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)`.

`tran_reset_notify` is a pointer to the HBA driver entry point called when a target driver calls `tran_reset_notify(9F)`.

## `scsi_address`

The `scsi_address(9S)` structure provides transport and addressing information for each SCSI command allocated and transported by a target driver instance.

The `scsi_address(9S)` structure contains the following fields:

```
scsi_hba_tran_t *a_hba_tran; /* HBA transport vectors */
u_short         a_target;    /* Target on SCSI bus */
u_char          a_lun;       /* Lun on that Target */
```

`a_hba_tran` is a pointer to the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure, as allocated and initialized by the HBA driver. If `SCSI_HBA_TRAN_CLONE` was specified as the flag to `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`, `a_hba_tran` points to a copy of that structure.

`a_target` identifies the SCSI target on the SCSI bus.

`a_lun` identifies the SCSI logical unit on the SCSI target.

### `scsi_device`

The HBA framework allocates and initializes a `scsi_device(9S)` structure for each instance of a target device before calling an HBA driver's `tran_tgt_init(9E)` entry point. This structure stores information about each SCSI logical unit, including pointers to information areas that contain both generic and device-specific information. There is one `scsi_device(9S)` structure for each target device instance attached to the system.

If the per-target initialization is successful (in other words, if either `tran_tgt_init(9E)` returns success or the vector is NULL), the HBA framework will set the target driver's per-instance private data to point to the `scsi_device(9S)` structure, using `ddi_set_driver_private(9F)`.

The `scsi_device(9S)` structure contains the following fields:

```

struct scsi_address      sd_address; /* routing information */
dev_info_t              *sd_dev;   /* device dev_info node */
kmutex_t                sd_mutex; /* mutex used by device */
struct scsi_inquiry     *sd_inq;
struct scsi_extended_sense *sd_sense;
caddr_t                 sd_private; /* for driver's use */

```

`sd_address` is a data structure that is passed to the SCSI resource allocation routines.

`sd_dev` is a pointer to the target's `dev_info` structure.

`sd_mutex` is a mutex for use by the target driver. This is initialized by the HBA framework and can be used by the target driver as a per-device mutex. This mutex should not be held across a call to `scsi_transport(9F)` or `scsi_poll(9F)`. See Chapter 4, "Multithreading," for more information on mutexes.

`sd_inq` is a pointer for the target device's SCSI Inquiry data. The `scsi_probe(9F)` routine allocates a buffer, fills it in, and attaches it to this field.

`sd_sense` is a pointer to a buffer to contain Request Sense data from the device. The target driver must allocate and manage this buffer itself; see the target driver's `attach(9E)` routine in “`attach()`” on page 236 for more information.

`sd_private` is a pointer field for use by the target driver. It is commonly used to store a pointer to a private target driver state structure.

### `scsi_pkt`

To execute SCSI commands, a target driver must first allocate a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure for the command, specifying its own private data area length, the command status and the command length. The HBA driver is responsible for implementing the packet allocation in the `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point. The HBA driver is also responsible for freeing the packet in its `tran_destroy_pkt(9E)` entry point. See `scsi_pkt(9S)` in Chapter 11, “SCSI Target Drivers” for more information.

The `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure contains these fields:

```
opaque_t          pkt_ha_private; /* HBA private data */
struct scsi_address* pkt_address; /* destination address */
opaque_t          pkt_private; /* target driver private */
void              (*pkt_comp)(); /* pkt completion routine */
long              pkt_flags; /* flags */
long              pkt_time; /* completion timeout */
u_char            *pkt_scbp; /* ptr to status block */
u_char            *pkt_cdbp; /* ptr to command block */
long              pkt_resid; /* bytes not transferred*/
u_long            pkt_state; /* state of command */
u_long            pkt_statistics; /* statistics */
u_char            pkt_reason; /* pkt completion reason */
```

The following fields must be modified by the HBA driver during transport:

- `pkt_resid`
- `pkt_state;`
- `pkt_statistics`
- `pkt_reason`

`pkt_ha_private` is a pointer to per-command HBA-driver private data.

`pkt_address` is a pointer to the `scsi_address(9S)` structure providing address information for this command.

`pkt_private` is a pointer to per-packet target-driver private data.

`pkt_comp` is a pointer to the target driver completion routine called by the HBA driver when the transport layer has completed this command.

`pkt_flags` are the flags for the command.

`pkt_time` specifies the completion timeout in seconds for the command.

`pkt_scbp` is a pointer to the status completion block for the command.

`pkt_cdbp` is a pointer to the command descriptor block (CDB) for the command.

`pkt_resid` is a count of the data bytes *not* transferred when the command has been completed or the amount of data for which resources have not been allocated.

`pkt_state` is the state of the command.

`pkt_statistics` provides a history of what events the command experienced while in the transport layer.

`pkt_reason` is the reason for command completion.

## *Per-Target Instance Data*

An HBA driver must allocate a `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure during `attach(9E)` and initialize the vectors in this transport structure to point to the required HBA driver entry points. This `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure is then passed into `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`.

The `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure contains a `tran_hba_private` field, which may be used to refer to the HBA driver's per-instance state.

Each `scsi_address(9S)` structure contains a pointer to the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure and also provides the target (`a_target`) and logical unit (`a_lun`) addresses for the particular target device. Since every HBA driver entry point is passed a pointer to the `scsi_address(9S)`

structure, either directly or indirectly through the `scsi_device(9S)` structure, the HBA driver can reference its own state and can identify the target device being addressed.

The HBA data structures for transport operations are illustrated in Figure 12-3 on page 259.

## HBA Transport Structures

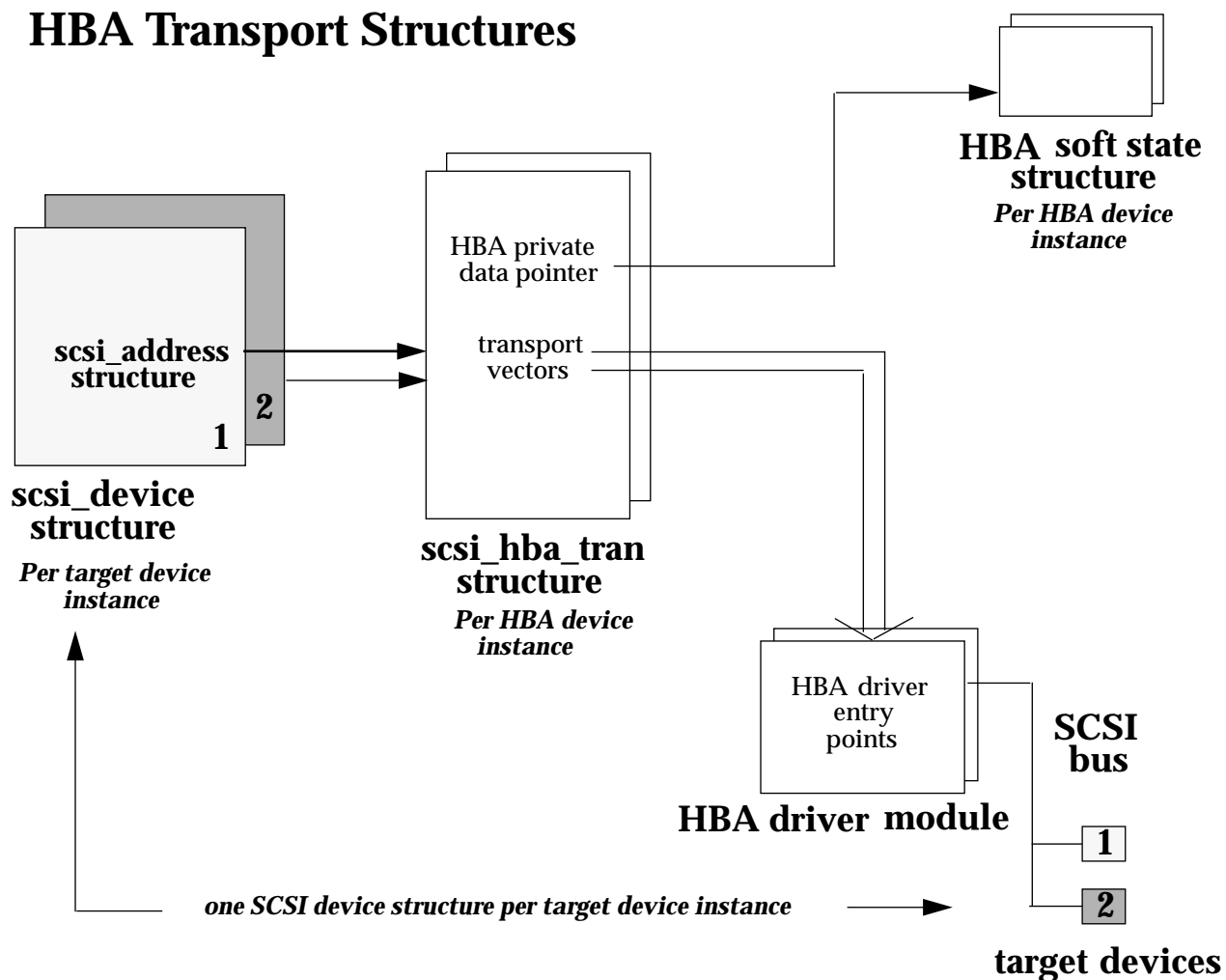


Figure 12-3 HBA transport structures

### *Transport Structure Cloning (optional)*

Cloning may be useful if an HBA driver wants to maintain per-target private data in the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure, or if it wishes to maintain a more complex address than is provided in the `scsi_address(9S)` structure.

When cloning, the HBA driver must still allocate a `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure at `attach(9E)` time, and the `tran_hba_private` soft state pointer and HBA entry point vectors must be initialized as before. The difference occurs when the framework begins to connect an instance of a target driver to the HBA driver. Before calling the HBA driver's `tran_tgt_init(9E)` entry point, the framework duplicates (clones) the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure associated with that instance of the HBA. This means that each `scsi_address(9S)` structure, allocated and initialized for a particular target device instance, points to a per-target instance *copy* of the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure, not to the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure allocated by the HBA driver at `attach(9E)` time.

Two important pointers that an HBA driver may use when it has specified cloning are contained in the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure. The first pointer is the `tran_tgt_private` field, which may be used to point to per-target HBA private data. This is useful, for example, if an HBA driver needs to maintain a more complex address than the `a_target` and `a_lun` fields in the `scsi_address(9S)` structure allow. The second pointer is the `tran_sd` field, which is a pointer to the `scsi_device(9S)` structure referring to the particular target device.

When specifying cloning, the HBA driver must allocate and initialize the per-target data and initialize the `tran_tgt_private` field to point to this data during its `tran_tgt_init(9E)` entry point. The HBA driver must free this per-target data during its `tran_tgt_free(9E)` entry point.

When cloning, the `tran_sd` field is initialized by the framework to point to the `scsi_device(9S)` structure before the HBA driver `tran_tgt_init(9E)` entry point is called.

Cloning is requested by passing the `SCSI_HBA_TRAN_CLONE` flag to `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)`.

HBA data structures for cloning transport operations are illustrated in Figure 12-4 on page 261.

## HBA Transport Structures (CLONING EXAMPLE)

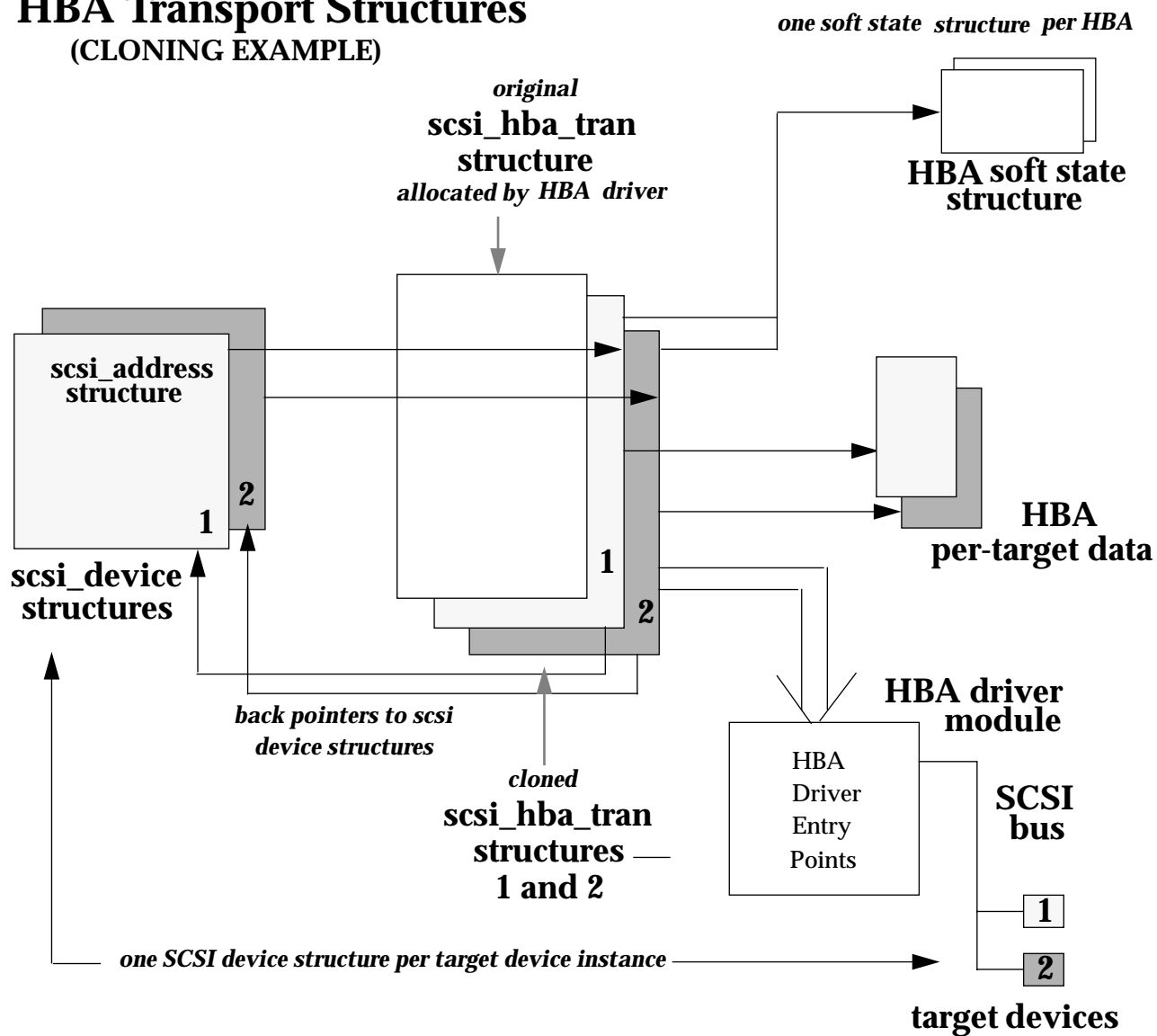


Figure 12-4 Cloning transport operation

## *SCSA HBA Functions*

SCSA also provides a number of functions, listed in Table 12-2, intended for use by HBA drivers.

*Table 12-2* SCSA HBA Functions

<b>Function Name</b>	<b>Called by Driver Entry Point</b>
<code>scsi_hba_init(9F)</code>	<code>_init(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_fini(9F)</code>	<code>_fini(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)</code>	<code>attach(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_detach(9F)</code>	<code>detach(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_tran_alloc(9F)</code>	<code>attach(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_tran_free(9F)</code>	<code>detach(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_probe(9F)</code>	<code>tran_tgt_probe(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_pkt_alloc(9F)</code>	<code>tran_init_pkt(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_pkt_free(9F)</code>	<code>tran_destroy_pkt(9E)</code>
<code>scsi_hba_lookup_capstr(9F)</code>	<code>tran_getcap(9E)</code> and <code>tran_setcap(9E)</code>

## *HBA Driver Dependency and Configuration Issues*

In addition to incorporating SCSA HBA entry points, structures and functions into a driver, HBA driver developers must also concern themselves with issues surrounding driver dependency and configuration. These issues are summarized in the following list:

- Configuration properties
- Dependency declarations
- State structure and per-command structure
- Module initialization entry points
- Autoconfiguration entry points



## *Configuration Properties*

When attaching an instance of an HBA device, `scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)` creates a number of SCSI configuration parameter properties for that HBA instance. A particular property is only created if there is no existing property of the same name already attached to the HBA instance, permitting a default property value to be overridden in an HBA configuration file.

An HBA driver must use `ddi_prop_get_int(9F)` to retrieve each property. The HBA driver then modifies (or accepts the default value of) the properties to configure its specific operation.

### `scsi-reset-delay`

The `scsi-reset-delay` property is an integer specifying the SCSI bus or device reset delay recovery time in milliseconds.

### `scsi-options`

The `scsi-options` property is an integer specifying a number of options through individually defined bits. The bits in `scsi_options` are:

- `SCSI_OPTIONS_DR (0x008)`  
If not set, the HBA should not grant disconnect privileges to a target device.
- `SCSI_OPTIONS_LINK (0x010)`  
If not set, the HBA should not enable linked commands.
- `SCSI_OPTIONS_SYNC (0x020)`  
If not set, the HBA should not negotiate synchronous data transfer, and should reject any attempt to negotiate synchronous data transfer initiated by a target.
- `SCSI_OPTIONS_PARITY (0x040)`  
If not set, the HBA should run the SCSI bus without parity.
- `SCSI_OPTIONS_TAG (0x080)`  
If not set, the HBA should not operate in Command Tagged Queuing mode.
- `SCSI_OPTIONS_FAST (0x100)`

If not set, the HBA should not operate the bus in FAST SCSI mode.

- `SCSI_OPTIONS_WIDE` (0x200)

If not set, the HBA should not operate the bus in WIDE SCSI mode.

### *Per-target scsi-options*

An HBA driver may support a per-target `scsi-options` feature in the following format:

```
target<n>-scsi-options=<hex value>
```

In this example, `<n>` is the target ID. If the per-target `scsi-options` property is defined for a particular target, the HBA driver uses the value of the per-target `scsi-options` property for that target rather than the per-HBA driver instance `scsi-options` property. This can provide more fine-grained control if, for example, synchronous data transfer needs to be disabled for just one particular target device. The per-target `scsi-options` property may be defined in the `driver.conf(4)` file.

Here is an example of a per-target `scsi-options` property definition to disable synchronous data transfer for target device 3:

```
target3-scsi-options=0x2d8
```

## *Declarations and Structures*

HBA drivers must include the following header files, along with a declaration of dependency upon the `scsi` module:

```
#include <sys/scsi/scsi.h>
#include <sys/ddi.h>
#include <sys/sunddi.h>

char _depends_on[] = "misc/scsi";
```

This declaration informs the system that the module depends on SCSI routines (see “SCSA HBA Interfaces” on page 252 for more information). This construct is used only for SCSI drivers and should not be used elsewhere.

Code fragments are presented below that illustrate the structure of a typical HBA driver. The code samples are derived from a simplified `isp` driver for the QLogic Intelligent SCSI Peripheral device. The complete `isp` source code is available as a sample driver on the DDK.

The *isp* driver supports WIDE SCSI, with up to 15 target devices and 8 logical units (LUNs) per target.

### *State Structure*

This chapter adds the following fields to the state structure. See “State Structure” on page 67 of the WDD for more information.

```
scsi_hba_tran_t    *isp_tran;
dev_info_t         *isp_dip;
ddi_iblock_cookie_t isp_iblock;
int                isp_target_scsi_options[N_ISP_TARGETS_WIDE];
int                isp_scsi_tag_age_limit;
u_int              isp_scsi_reset_delay;
u_short           isp_cap[N_ISP_TARGETS_WIDE];
u_short           isp_synch[N_ISP_TARGETS_WIDE];

struct ispregs     *isp_reg;
ddi_acc_handle_t  isp_acc_handle;
```

### *Per-Command Structure*

An HBA driver will usually need to define a structure to maintain state for each command submitted by a target driver. The layout of this per-command structure is entirely up to the device driver writer and needs to reflect the capabilities and features of the hardware and the software algorithms used in the driver.

The following structure is an example of a per-command structure. It is used in the remaining code fragments of this chapter to illustrate the HBA interfaces:

```
struct isp_cmd {
    struct isp_request    cmd_isp_request;
    struct isp_response   cmd_isp_response;

    struct scsi_pkt      *cmd_pkt;
    struct isp_cmd       *cmd_forw;

    u_long               cmd_dmacount;
    ddi_dma_handle_t     cmd_dmahandle;
    uint_t               cmd_cookie;
    uint_t               cmd_ncookies;
```

```

uint_t          cmd_cookiecnt;
uint_t          cmd_nwin;
uint_t          cmd_curwin;
off_t           cmd_dma_offset;
uint_t          cmd_dma_len;
ddi_dma_cookie_t cmd_dmacookies[ISP_NDATASEGS];

u_long          cmd_flags;

u_short         cmd_slot;
u_int           cmd_cdblen;
u_int           cmd_scblen;
};

```

### *Module Initialization Entry Points*

Drivers for different types of devices have different sets of entry points, depending on the operations they perform. Some operations, however, are common to all drivers, such as the `_init(9E)`, `_info(9E)` and `_fini(9E)` entry points for module initialization. A complete description of these loadable module routines is given in Chapter 3, “Overview of SunOS Device Drivers”. In this section, only those entry points associated with operations performed by SCSI HBA drivers are described.

The following code for a SCSI HBA driver illustrates a representative `dev_ops(9S)` structure. The `devo_bus_ops` field in this structure must be initialized to `NULL`. A SCSI HBA driver may provide leaf driver interfaces for special purposes, in which case the `devo_cb_ops` field may point to a `cb_ops(9S)` structure. In this example, no leaf driver interfaces are exported, so the `devo_cb_ops` field is initialized to `NULL`.

```

static struct dev_ops isp_dev_ops = {
    DEVO_REV,          /* devo_rev */
    0,                 /* refcnt */
    isp_getinfo,       /* getinfo */
    isp_identify,      /* identify */
    nulldev,           /* probe */
    isp_attach,        /* attach */
    isp_detach,        /* detach */
    nodev,             /* reset */
    NULL,              /* driver operations */
    NULL,              /* bus operations */
};

```

```
_init()
```

The `_init(9E)` function initializes a loadable module and is called before any other routine in the loadable module.

In a SCSI HBA, the `_init()` function must call `scsi_hba_init(9F)` to inform the framework of the existence of the HBA driver before calling `mod_install(9F)`. If `scsi_hba_init(9F)` returns a non-zero value, `_init(9E)` should return this value. Otherwise, `_init(9E)` must return the value returned by `mod_install(9F)`.

Any global state required by the driver should be initialized before calling `mod_install(9F)`.

Should `mod_install(9F)` fail, the `_init(9E)` function must free any global resources allocated and must call `scsi_hba_fini(9F)` before returning.

The following code sample uses a global mutex to show how to allocate data that is global to all instances of a driver. The code declares global mutex and soft-state structure information. The global mutex and soft state are initialized during `_init(9E)`.

```
/*
 * Local static data
 */
static kmutex_t    isp_global_mutex;
static void        *isp_state;
```

The `_init(9E)` function in the following code example shows how a SCSI HBA driver initializes a global mutex.

```
/*
 * Loadable module initialization entry point
 */
int
_init(void)
{
    int    err;

    if ((err = ddi_soft_state_init(&isp_state,
        sizeof (struct isp), 0)) != 0) {
        return (err);
    }
    if ((err = scsi_hba_init(&modlinkage)) == 0) {
        mutex_init(&isp_global_mutex, "isp global mutex",
            MUTEX_DRIVER, NULL);
    }
}
```

```
        if ((err = mod_install(&modlinkage)) != 0) {
            mutex_destroy(&isp_global_mutex);
            scsi_hba_fini(&modlinkage);
            ddi_soft_state_fini(&isp_state);
        }
    }
    return (err);
}
```

`_fini()`

The `_fini(9E)` function is called when the system is about to try to unload the SCSI HBA driver. The `_fini(9E)` function must call `mod_remove(9F)` to determine if the driver can be unloaded. If `mod_remove(9F)` returns 0, the module can be unloaded, and the HBA driver must deallocate any global resources allocated in `_init(9E)` and must call `scsi_hba_fini(9F)`.

`_fini(9E)` must return the value returned by `mod_remove(9F)`.

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**Note** – The HBA driver must not free any resources or call `scsi_hba_fini(9F)` unless `mod_remove(9F)` returns 0.

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The `_fini(9E)` function in the following code example shows how a SCSI HBA driver deallocates a global mutex initialized in `_init(9E)`

```
/* Module unloading entry point */

int
_fini(void)
{
    int    err;

    if ((err = mod_remove(&modlinkage)) == 0) {
        mutex_destroy(&isp_global_mutex);
        scsi_hba_fini(&modlinkage);
        ddi_soft_state_fini(&isp_state);
    }
    return (err);
}
```

## *Autoconfiguration Entry Points*

Associated with each device driver is a `dev_ops(9S)` structure, which allows the kernel to locate the autoconfiguration entry points of the driver. A complete description of these autoconfiguration routines is given in Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration”. In this section, only those entry points associated with operations performed by SCSI HBA drivers are described. These include `attach(9E)`, `detach(9E)`, `getinfo(9E)` and `identify(9E)`.

### `attach( )`

The `attach(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver must perform a number of tasks to configure and attach an instance of the driver for the device. For a typical driver of real devices, the following operating system and hardware concerns must be addressed:

- Soft state structure
- DMA
- Transport structure
- Attaching an HBA driver
- Register mapping
- Interrupt specification
- Interrupt handling
- Report attachment status

### ***Soft State Structure***

The driver should allocate the per-device-instance soft state structure, being careful to clean up properly if an error occurs.

```
instance = ddi_get_instance(dip);
if (ddi_soft_state_zalloc(isp_state,
    instance) != DDI_SUCCESS) {
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}
isp = ddi_get_soft_state(isp_state, instance);
```

### ***DMA***

If the driver provides DMA, for example, it must specify DMA attributes describing the capabilities and limitations of its DMA engine.

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**Note** – In Solaris 2.5, the HBA driver *must* provide DMA.

---

```
static ddi_dma_attr_t isp_dma_attr = {
    DMA_ATTR_V0,          /* ddi_dma_attr version */
    0,                    /* low address */
    0xffffffff,          /* high address */
    0x00ffffff,          /* counter upper bound */
    1,                    /* alignment requirements */
    1,                    /* burst sizes */
    1,                    /* minimum DMA access */
    0xffffffff,          /* maximum DMA access */
    (1<<24)-1,           /* segment boundary restrictions */
    1,                    /* scatter/gather list length */
    512,                  /* segment granularity */
    0                      /* flags - must be 0 */
};
```

The driver, if providing DMA, should also check that its hardware is installed in a DMA-capable slot:

```
if (ddi_slaveonly(dip) == DDI_SUCCESS) {
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}
```

### ***Transport Structure***

The driver should further allocate and initialize a transport structure for this instance. The `tran_hba_private` field is set to point to this instance's soft-state structure. `tran_tgt_probe` may be set to NULL to achieve the default behavior, if no special probe customization is needed.

```
tran = scsi_hba_tran_alloc(dip, SCSI_HBA_CANSLEEP);

isp->isp_tran          = tran;
isp->isp_dip           = dip;

tran->tran_hba_private = isp;
tran->tran_tgt_private = NULL;
tran->tran_tgt_init    = isp_tran_tgt_init;
tran->tran_tgt_probe   = scsi_hba_probe;
tran->tran_tgt_free    = (void (*)())NULL;

tran->tran_start       = isp_scsi_start;
tran->tran_abort       = isp_scsi_abort;
tran->tran_reset       = isp_scsi_reset;
```



```
tran->tran_getcap      = isp_scsi_getcap;
tran->tran_setcap      = isp_scsi_setcap;
tran->tran_init_pkt    = isp_scsi_init_pkt;
tran->tran_destroy_pkt = isp_scsi_destroy_pkt;
tran->tran_dmafree     = isp_scsi_dmafree;
tran->tran_sync_pkt    = isp_scsi_sync_pkt;
tran->tran_reset_notify = isp_scsi_reset_notify;
```

### ***Attaching an HBA Driver***

The driver should attach this instance of the device and perform error cleanup if necessary.

```
    i = scsi_hba_attach_setup(dip, &isp_dma_attr, tran, 0);
    if (i != DDI_SUCCESS) {
        do error recovery
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
```

### ***Register Mapping***

The driver should map in its device's registers, specifying the index of the register set, the data access characteristics of the device and the size of the register set to be mapped.

```
    ddi_device_acc_attr_t dev_attributes;

    dev_attributes.devacc_attr_version = DDI_DEVICE_ATTR_V0;
    dev_attributes.devacc_attr_dataorder = DDI_STRICTORDER_ACC;
    dev_attributes.devacc_attr_endian_flags = DDI_STRUCTURE_LE_ACC;

    if (ddi_regs_map_setup(dip, 0, (caddr_t *)&isp->isp_reg,
        0, sizeof (struct ispregs), &dev_attributes,
        &isp->isp_acc_handle) != DDI_SUCCESS) {
        do error recovery
        return (DDI_FAILURE);
    }
```

### ***Adding an Interrupt Handler***

The driver should determine if a high-level interrupt handler is required. If a high-level handler is required and the driver is not coded to provide one, the driver must be rewritten to either include a high-level interrupt or fail the attach.

In the following example, a high-level interrupt is required but not provided by the driver. Consequently, the driver fails the attach.

```
if (ddi_intr_hilevel(dip, 0) != 0) {
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}
```

The driver must first obtain the *iblock cookie* to initialize mutexes used in the driver handler. Only after those mutexes have been initialized can the interrupt handler be added.

```
i = ddi_get_iblock_cookie(dip, 0, &isp->iblock_cookie);
if (i != DDI_SUCCESS) {
    do error recovery
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}

mutex_init(&isp->mutex, "isp_mutex", MUTEX_DRIVER,
    (void *)isp->iblock_cookie);
i = ddi_add_intr(dip, 0, &isp->iblock_cookie,
    0, isp_intr, (caddr_t)isp);
if (i != DDI_SUCCESS) {
    do error recovery
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}
```

### **Report Attachment Status**

Finally, the driver should report that this instance of the device is attached and return success.

```
ddi_report_dev(dip);
return (DDI_SUCCESS);
```

`detach()`

The Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI does not support detaching an HBA driver, although target driver children of an HBA can detach. For the present, it's recommended that the HBA driver fail a detach request. It's better to fail the `detach` than to include code here that cannot be tested.

The following code provides an example of the `xx_detach(9E)` function.

```
static int
isp_detach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd)
{
```

---

```
switch (cmd) {
case DDI_DETACH:
    /*
     * At the present, detaching HBA drivers is not supported
     */
    return (DDI_FAILURE);

default:
    return (DDI_FAILURE);
}
}
```

## SCSA HBA Entry Points

For an HBA driver to work with target drivers using the SCSA interface, each HBA driver must supply a number of entry points, callable through the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure. These entry points fall into five functional groups:

- Target driver instance initialization
- Resource allocation
- Command transport
- Capability management
- Abort and reset

*Table 12-3* SCSA entry points arranged in functional groups

Function Groups	Entry Points within Group	Description
Target Driver Instance Initialization	<code>tran_tgt_init(9E)</code>	Perform per-target initialization (optional)
	<code>tran_tgt_probe(9E)</code>	Probe SCSI bus for existence of a target (optional)
	<code>tran_tgt_free(9E)</code>	Perform per-target deallocation (optional)
Resource Allocation	<code>tran_init_pkt(9E)</code>	Allocate SCSI packet and DMA resources
	<code>tran_destroy_pkt(9E)</code>	Free SCSI packet and DMA resources
	<code>tran_sync_pkt(9E)</code>	Synchronize memory before/after DMA
	<code>tran_dmafree(9E)</code>	Free DMA resources
Command Transport	<code>tran_start(9E)</code>	Transport a SCSI command
Capability Management	<code>tran_getcap(9E)</code>	Inquire about a capability's value
	<code>tran_setcap(9E)</code>	Set a capability's value
Abort and Reset	<code>tran_abort(9E)</code>	Abort one or all outstanding SCSI commands
	<code>tran_reset(9E)</code>	Reset a target device or the SCSI bus
	<code>tran_reset_notify(9E)</code>	Request to notify target of bus reset (optional)

## Target Driver Instance Initialization

```
tran_tgt_init( )
```

The `tran_tgt_init(9E)` entry point allows the HBA to allocate and/or initialize any per-target resources. It also allows the HBA to qualify the device's address as valid and supportable for that particular HBA. By returning `DDI_FAILURE`, the instance of the target driver for that device will not be probed or attached.

This entry point is not required, and if none is supplied, the framework will attempt to probe and attach all possible instances of the appropriate target drivers.

```
static int
isp_tran_tgt_init(
    dev_info_t      *hba_dip,
    dev_info_t      *tgt_dip,
    scsi_hba_tran_t *tran,
    struct scsi_device *sd)
{
    return ((sd->sd_address.a_target < N_ISP_TARGETS_WIDE &&
            sd->sd_address.a_lun < 8) ? DDI_SUCCESS : DDI_FAILURE);
}
```

```
tran_tgt_probe( )
```

The `tran_tgt_probe(9E)` entry point allows the HBA to customize the operation of `scsi_probe(9F)`, if necessary. This entry point is called only when the target driver calls `scsi_probe(9F)`.

The HBA driver can retain the normal operation of `scsi_probe(9F)` by calling `scsi_hba_probe(9F)` and returning its return value.

This entry point is not required, and if not needed, the HBA driver should set the `tran_tgt_probe` vector in the `scsi_hba_tran(9S)` structure to point to `scsi_hba_probe(9F)`.

`scsi_probe(9F)` allocates a `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure and sets the `sd_inq` field of the `scsi_device(9S)` structure to point to the data in `scsi_inquiry(9S)`. `scsi_hba_probe(9F)` handles this automatically. `scsi_unprobe(9F)` then frees the `scsi_inquiry(9S)` data.

Other than during the allocation of `scsi_inquiry(9S)` data, normally handled by `scsi_hba_probe(9F)`, `tran_tgt_probe(9E)` must be stateless, since it may be called multiple times from the same scsi device.

---

**Note** – The allocation of the `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure is handled automatically by `scsi_hba_probe(9F)`. This is only of concern if custom `scsi_probe(9F)` handling is desired.

---

```
static int
isp_tran_tgt_probe(
    struct scsi_device*sd,
    int (*callback)())
{
    Perform any special probe customization needed.
    /*
     * Normal probe handling
     */
    return (scsi_hba_probe(sd, callback));
}
```

`tran_tgt_free( )`

The `tran_tgt_free(9E)` entry point allows the HBA to perform any deallocation or clean-up procedures for an instance of a target. This entry point is optional.

```
static void
isp_tran_tgt_free(
    dev_info_t *hba_dip,
    dev_info_t *tgt_dip,
    scsi_hba_tran_t *hba_tran,
    struct scsi_device *sd)
{
    Undo any special per-target initialization done earlier in tran_tgt_init(9F) and
    tran_tgt_probe(9F).
}
```

## Resource Allocation

`tran_init_pkt( )`

The `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point is the HBA driver function that allocates and initializes, on behalf of the target driver, a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure and DMA resources for a target driver request.

The `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point is called when the target driver calls the SCSI function `scsi_init_pkt(9F)`.

Each call of the `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point is a request to perform one or more of three possible services:

- Allocation and initialization of a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure
- Allocation of DMA resources for data transfer
- Reallocation of DMA resources for the next portion of the data transfer

### *Allocation and Initialization of a `scsi_pkt(9S)` Structure*

The `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point must allocate a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure if `pkt` is `NULL` through `scsi_hba_pkt_alloc(9F)`.

`scsi_hba_pkt_alloc(9F)` allocates the following:

- a `scsi_pkt(9S)`
- a SCSI CDB of length `cmdlen`
- a SCSI status completion area of length `statuslen`
- a per-packet target driver private data area of length `tgtlen`
- a per-packet HBA driver private data area of length `hbalen`

The `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure members, as well as the `pkt` itself, must be initialized to zero except for the following members: `pkt_scbp` (status completion), `pkt_cdbp` (CDB), `pkt_ha_private` (HBA driver private data),

pkt\_private (target driver private data). These members are pointers to memory space where the values of the fields are stored. This is illustrated in Figure 12-5. For more information refer to “scsi\_pkt” on page 257.

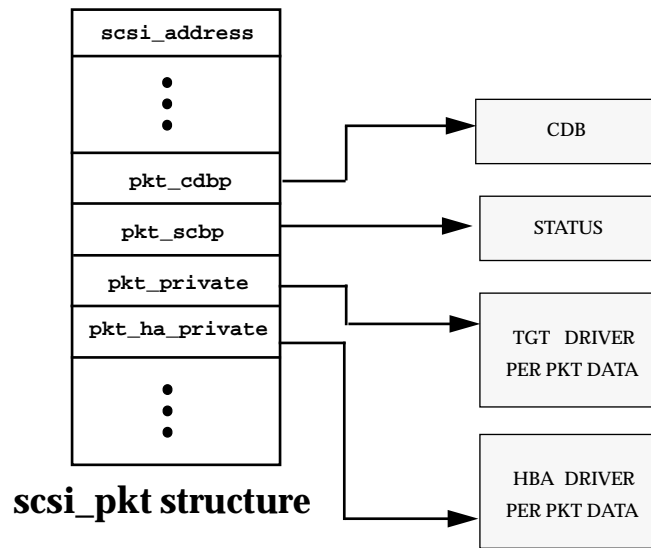


Figure 12-5 scsi\_pkt(9S) structure pointers

```
static struct scsi_pkt *
isp_scsi_init_pkt(
    struct scsi_address *ap,
    struct scsi_pkt *pkt,
    struct buf *bp,
    int cmdlen,
    int statuslen,
    int tgtlen,
    int flags,
    int (*callback)(),
    caddr_t arg)
{
    struct isp_cmd *sp;
    struct isp *isp;
    struct scsi_pkt *new_pkt;

    ASSERT(callback == NULL_FUNC || callback == SLEEP_FUNC);

```



```
isp = (struct isp *)ap->a_hba_tran->tran_hba_private;

/*
 * First step of isp_scsi_init_pkt: pkt allocation
 */
if (pkt == NULL) {
    pkt = scsi_hba_pkt_alloc(isp->isp_dip, ap, cmdlen,
                            statuslen, tgtlen, sizeof (struct isp_cmd),
                            callback, arg);
    if (pkt == NULL) {
        return (NULL);
    }

    sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;

    /*
     * Initialize the new pkt
     */
    sp->cmd_pkt          = pkt;
    sp->cmd_flags        = 0;
    sp->cmd_scblen      = statuslen;
    sp->cmd_cdblen      = cmdlen;
    sp->cmd_dmahandle   = NULL;
    sp->cmd_ncookies    = 0;
    sp->cmd_cookie      = 0;
    sp->cmd_cookiecnt   = 0;
    sp->cmd_nwin        = 0;
    pkt->pkt_address     = *ap;
    pkt->pkt_comp        = (void (*)())NULL;
    pkt->pkt_flags       = 0;
    pkt->pkt_time        = 0;
    pkt->pkt_resid       = 0;
    pkt->pkt_statistics = 0;
    pkt->pkt_reason      = 0;

    new_pkt = pkt;
} else {
    sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;
    new_pkt = NULL;
}

/*
 * Second step of isp_scsi_init_pkt: dma allocation/move
 */
if (bp && bp->b_bcount != 0) {
    if (sp->cmd_dmahandle == NULL) {
```

```

        if (isp_i_dma_alloc(isp, pkt, bp,
            flags, callback) == 0) {
            if (new_pkt) {
                scsi_hba_pkt_free(ap, new_pkt);
            }
            return ((struct scsi_pkt *)NULL);
        }
    } else {
        ASSERT(new_pkt == NULL);
        if (isp_i_dma_move(isp, pkt, bp) == 0) {
            return ((struct scsi_pkt *)NULL);
        }
    }
}

return (pkt);
}

```

### *Allocation of DMA Resources*

If `bp` is not `NULL` and `bp->b_bcount` is not zero and DMA resources have not yet been allocated for this `scsi_pkt`, the `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point must allocate DMA resources for a data transfer. The HBA driver needs to keep track of whether DMA resources have been allocated for a particular command with a flag bit or a DMA handle in the per-packet HBA driver private data.

By setting the `PKT_DMA_PARTIAL` flag in the `pkt`, the target driver indicates it can accept breaking up the data transfer into multiple SCSI commands to accommodate the complete request. This may be necessary if the HBA hardware scatter/gather capabilities or system DMA resources are insufficient to accommodate the complete request in a single SCSI command.

If the `PKT_DMA_PARTIAL` flag is set, the HBA driver may set the `DDI_DMA_PARTIAL` flag when allocating DMA resources (using, for example, `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)`) for this SCSI command. The DMA attributes used when allocating the DMA resources should accurately describe any constraints placed on the ability of the HBA hardware to perform DMA. If the system can only allocate DMA resources for part of the request, `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` will return `DDI_DMA_PARTIAL_MAP`.

The `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point must return the amount of DMA resources not allocated for this transfer in the field `pkt_resid`.

A target driver may make one request to `tran_init_pkt(9E)` to simultaneously allocate both a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure and DMA resources for that `pkt`. In this case, if the HBA driver is unable to allocate DMA resources, it must free the allocated `scsi_pkt` before returning. The `scsi_pkt` must be freed by calling `scsi_hba_pkt_free(9F)`.

The target driver may first allocate the `scsi_pkt(9S)` and allocate DMA resources for this `pkt` at a later time. In this case, if the HBA driver is unable to allocate DMA resources, it must *not* free `pkt`. The target driver in this case is responsible for freeing the `pkt`.

```
static int
isp_i_dma_alloc(
    struct isp      *isp,
    struct scsi_pkt *pkt,
    struct buf      *bp,
    int             flags,
    int             (*callback)())
{
    struct isp_cmd *sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;
    int             dma_flags;
    ddi_dma_attr_t tmp_dma_attr;
    int             (*cb)(caddr_t);
    int             i;

    ASSERT(callback == NULL_FUNC || callback == SLEEP_FUNC);

    if (bp->b_flags & B_READ) {
        sp->cmd_flags &= ~CFLAG_DMASEND;
        dma_flags = DDI_DMA_READ;
    } else {
        sp->cmd_flags |= CFLAG_DMASEND;
        dma_flags = DDI_DMA_WRITE;
    }
    if (flags & PKT_CONSISTENT) {
        sp->cmd_flags |= CFLAG_CMDIOPB;
        dma_flags |= DDI_DMA_CONSISTENT;
    }
    if (flags & PKT_DMA_PARTIAL) {
        dma_flags |= DDI_DMA_PARTIAL;
    }

    tmp_dma_attr = isp_dma_attr;
    tmp_dma_attr.dma_attr_burstsizes = isp->isp_burst_size;
```

```

cb = (callback == NULL_FUNC) ? DDI_DMA_DONTWAIT : DDI_DMA_SLEEP;

if ((i = ddi_dma_alloc_handle(isp->isp_dip, &tmp_dma_attr,
    cb, 0, &sp->cmd_dmahandle)) != DDI_SUCCESS) {

    switch (i) {
    case DDI_DMA_BADATTR:
        bioerror(bp, EFAULT);
        return (0);

    case DDI_DMA_NORESOURCES:
        bioerror(bp, 0);
        return (0);
    }
}

i = ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(sp->cmd_dmahandle, bp, dma_flags,
    cb, 0, &sp->cmd_dmacookies[0], &sp->cmd_ncookies);

switch (i) {
case DDI_DMA_PARTIAL_MAP:
    if (ddi_dma_numwin(sp->cmd_dmahandle, &sp->cmd_nwin) ==
        DDI_FAILURE) {
        cmn_err(CE_PANIC, "ddi_dma_numwin() failed\n");
    }

    if (ddi_dma_getwin(sp->cmd_dmahandle, sp->cmd_curwin,
        &sp->cmd_dma_offset, &sp->cmd_dma_len,
        &sp->cmd_dmacookies[0], &sp->cmd_ncookies) ==
        DDI_FAILURE) {
        cmn_err(CE_PANIC, "ddi_dma_getwin() failed\n");
    }
    goto get_dma_cookies;

case DDI_DMA_MAPPED:
    sp->cmd_nwin = 1;
    sp->cmd_dma_len = 0;
    sp->cmd_dma_offset = 0;

get_dma_cookies:
    i = 0;
    sp->cmd_dmacount = 0;
    for (;;) {
        sp->cmd_dmacount += sp->cmd_dmacookies[i++].dmac_size;

        if (i == ISP_NDATASEGS || i == sp->cmd_ncookies)

```

```
        break;
        ddi_dma_nextcookie(sp->cmd_dmahandle,
            &sp->cmd_dmacookies[i]);
    }
    sp->cmd_cookie = i;
    sp->cmd_cookiecnt = i;

    sp->cmd_flags |= CFLAG_DMAVALID;
    pkt->pkt_resid = bp->b_bcount - sp->cmd_dmacount;
    return (1);

case DDI_DMA_NORESOURCES:
    bioerror(bp, 0);
    break;

case DDI_DMA_NOMAPPING:
    bioerror(bp, EFAULT);
    break;

case DDI_DMA_TOOBIG:
    bioerror(bp, EINVAL);
    break;

case DDI_DMA_INUSE:
    cmn_err(CE_PANIC, "ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle:"
        " DDI_DMA_INUSE impossible\n");

default:
    cmn_err(CE_PANIC, "ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle:"
        " 0x%x impossible\n", i);
}

ddi_dma_free_handle(&sp->cmd_dmahandle);
sp->cmd_dmahandle = NULL;
sp->cmd_flags &= ~CFLAG_DMAVALID;
return (0);
}
```

### ***Reallocation of DMA Resources for Next Portion of Data Transfer***

For a previously allocated packet with data remaining to be transferred, the `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point must reallocate DMA resources when the following conditions apply:

- partial DMA resources have already been allocated

- a non-zero `pkt_resid` was returned in the previous call to `tran_init_pkt(9E)`
- `bp` is not `NULL`
- `bp->b_bcount` is not 0

When reallocating DMA resources to the next portion of the transfer, `tran_init_pkt(9E)` must return the amount of DMA resources not allocated for this transfer in the field `pkt_resid`.

If an error occurs while attempting to move DMA resources, `tran_init_pkt(9E)` must not free the `scsi_pkt`. The target driver in this case is responsible for freeing the `pkt`.

If the callback parameter is `NULL_FUNC`, the `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point must not sleep or call any function which may sleep. If the callback parameter is `SLEEP_FUNC` and resources are not immediately available, the `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point should sleep until resources are available, unless the request is impossible to satisfy.

```
static int
isp_i_dma_move(
    struct isp          *isp,
    struct scsi_pkt     *pkt,
    struct buf          *bp)
{
    struct isp_cmd *sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;
    int          i;

    ASSERT(sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_COMPLETED);
    sp->cmd_flags &= ~CFLAG_COMPLETED;

    /*
     * If there are no more cookies remaining in this window,
     * must move to the next window first.
     */
    if (sp->cmd_cookie == sp->cmd_ncookies) {
        /*
         * For small pkts, leave things where they are
         */
        if (sp->cmd_curwin == sp->cmd_nwin && sp->cmd_nwin == 1)
            return (1);

        /*
         * At last window, cannot move
         */
    }
}
```

```
if (++sp->cmd_curwin >= sp->cmd_nwin)
    return (0);

if (ddi_dma_getwin(sp->cmd_dmahandle, sp->cmd_curwin,
    &sp->cmd_dma_offset, &sp->cmd_dma_len,
    &sp->cmd_dmacookies[0], &sp->cmd_ncookies) ==
    DDI_FAILURE)
    return (0);

    sp->cmd_cookie = 0;
} else {
    /*
     * Still more cookies in this window - get the next one
     */
    ddi_dma_nextcookie(sp->cmd_dmahandle,
        &sp->cmd_dmacookies[0]);
}

/*
 * Get remaining cookies in this window, up to our maximum
 */
i = 0;
for (;;) {
    sp->cmd_dmacount += sp->cmd_dmacookies[i++].dmac_size;
    sp->cmd_cookie++;
    if (i == ISP_NDATASEGS ||
        sp->cmd_cookie == sp->cmd_ncookies)
        break;
    ddi_dma_nextcookie(sp->cmd_dmahandle,
        &sp->cmd_dmacookies[i]);
}
sp->cmd_cookiecnt = i;

pkt->pkt_resid = bp->b_bcount - sp->cmd_dmacount;
return (1);
}
```

`tran_destroy_pkt()`

The `tran_destroy_pkt(9E)` entry point is the HBA driver function which deallocates `scsi_pkt(9S)` structures.

The `tran_destroy_pkt(9E)` entry point is called when the target driver calls `scsi_destroy_pkt(9F)`.

The `tran_destroy_pkt(9E)` entry point must free any DMA resources allocated for the packet. Freeing the DMA resources causes an implicit DMA sync if any cached data remained after the completion of the transfer. The `tran_destroy_pkt(9E)` entry point frees the scsi packet itself by calling `scsi_hba_pkt_free(9F)`.

```
static void
isp_scsi_destroy_pkt(
    struct scsi_address*ap,
    struct scsi_pkt*pkt)
{
    struct isp_cmd *sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;

    /*
     * Free the DMA, if any
     */
    if (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_DMAVALID) {
        sp->cmd_flags &= ~CFLAG_DMAVALID;
        (void) ddi_dma_unbind_handle(sp->cmd_dmahandle);
        ddi_dma_free_handle(&sp->cmd_dmahandle);
        sp->cmd_dmahandle = NULL;
    }
    /*
     * Free the pkt
     */
    scsi_hba_pkt_free(ap, pkt);
}
```

`tran_sync_pkt( )`

The `tran_sync_pkt(9E)` entry point is the HBA driver function which synchronizes the DMA object allocated for the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure before or after a DMA transfer.

The `tran_sync_pkt(9E)` entry point is called when the target driver calls `scsi_sync_pkt(9F)`.

If the data transfer direction is a DMA read from device to memory, `tran_sync_pkt(9E)` must synchronize the CPU's view of the data. If the data transfer direction is a DMA write from memory to device, `tran_sync_pkt(9E)` must synchronize the device's view of the data.

```
static void
isp_scsi_sync_pkt(
```



```

    struct scsi_address*ap,
    struct scsi_pkt*pkt)
{
    struct isp_cmd *sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;

    if (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_DMAVALID) {
        (void)ddi_dma_sync(sp->cmd_dmahandle, sp->cmd_dma_offset,
            sp->cmd_dma_len,
            (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_DMASSEND) ?
            DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORDEV : DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU);
    }
}

```

tran\_dmafree( )

The tran\_dmafree(9E) entry point is the HBA driver function which deallocates DMA resources allocated for a *scsi\_pkt*(9S) structure.

The tran\_dmafree(9E) entry point is called when the target driver calls *scsi\_dmafree*(9F).

*tran\_dmafree*(9E) must free only DMA resources allocated for a *scsi\_pkt* structure, not the *scsi\_pkt* itself. Freeing the DMA resources implicitly performs a DMA sync.

---

**Note** - The *scsi\_pkt* will be freed in a separate request to *tran\_destroy\_pkt*(9E). Since *tran\_destroy\_pkt*(9E) must also free DMA resources, it is important that the HBA driver keep accurate note of whether *scsi\_pkt* structures have DMA resources allocated.

---

```

static void
isp_scsi_dmafree(
    struct scsi_address*ap,
    struct scsi_pkt*pkt)
{
    struct isp_cmd *sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;

    if (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_DMAVALID) {
        sp->cmd_flags &= ~CFLAG_DMAVALID;
        (void)ddi_dma_unbind_handle(sp->cmd_dmahandle);
        ddi_dma_free_handle(&sp->cmd_dmahandle);
    }
}

```

```

        sp->cmd_dmahandle = NULL;
    }
}

```

## Command Transport

As part of command transport, the HBA driver accepts a command from the target driver, issues the command to the device hardware, services any interrupts that occur, and manages timeouts.

`tran_start()`

The `tran_start(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver is called to transport a SCSI command to the addressed target. The SCSI command is described entirely within the `scsi_pkt` structure, which the target driver allocated through the HBA driver's `tran_init_pkt(9E)` entry point. If the command involves a data transfer, DMA resources must also have been allocated for the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure.

The `tran_start(9E)` entry point is called when a target driver calls `scsi_transport(9F)`.

`tran_start(9E)` should perform basic sanity checks along with whatever initialization the command requires, queue the command for execution on the HBA hardware, and return without blocking. If the hardware is idle, the command may be started immediately.

For commands with the `FLAG_NOINTR` bit set in the `pkt_flags` field of the `scsi_packet(9S)` structure, `tran_start(9E)` should not return until the command has completed, and the HBA driver should not call the `pkt` completion routine.

The following sample code demonstrates how to handle the `tran_start(9E)` entry point. The ISP hardware provides a queue per target device. For devices which can only manage one active outstanding command, the driver itself is typically required to manage a per-target queue and starts up a new command upon completion of the current command in a round-robin fashion.

```

static int
isp_scsi_start(
    struct scsi_address *ap,
    struct scsi_pkt *pkt)

```

```
{
    struct isp_cmd          *sp;
    struct isp              *isp;
    struct isp_request      *req;
    u_long                  cur_lbolt;
    int                     xfercount;
    int                     rval= TRAN_ACCEPT;
    int                     i;

    sp = (struct isp_cmd *)pkt->pkt_ha_private;
    isp = (struct isp *)ap->a_hba_tran->tran_hba_private;

    sp->cmd_flags = (sp->cmd_flags & ~CFLAG_TRANFLAG) |
                   CFLAG_IN_TRANSPORT;
    pkt->pkt_reason = CMD_CMPLT;

    /*
     * set up request in cmd_isp_request area so it is ready to
     * go once we have the request mutex
     */
    req = &sp->cmd_isp_request;

    req->req_header.cq_entry_type = CQ_TYPE_REQUEST;
    req->req_header.cq_entry_count = 1;
    req->req_header.cq_flags= 0;
    req->req_header.cq_seqno = 0;
    req->req_reserved = 0;
    req->req_token = (opaque_t)sp;
    req->req_target = TGT(sp);
    req->req_lun_trn = LUN(sp);
    req->req_time = pkt->pkt_time;
    ISP_SET_PKT_FLAGS(pkt->pkt_flags, req->req_flags);

    /*
     * Set up dma transfers data segments.
     */
    if (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_DMAVALID) {

        if (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_CMDIOPB) {
            (void) ddi_dma_sync(sp->cmd_dmahandle,
                               sp->cmd_dma_offset, sp->cmd_dma_len,
                               DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORDEV);
        }

        ASSERT(sp->cmd_cookiecnt > 0 &&
               sp->cmd_cookiecnt <= ISP_NDATASEGS);
    }
}
```

```

xfercount = 0;
req->req_seg_count = sp->cmd_cookiecnt;
for (i = 0; i < sp->cmd_cookiecnt; i++) {
    req->req_dataseg[i].d_count =
        sp->cmd_dmacookies[i].dmac_size;
    req->req_dataseg[i].d_base =
        sp->cmd_dmacookies[i].dmac_address;
    xfercount +=
        sp->cmd_dmacookies[i].dmac_size;
}

for (; i < ISP_NDATASEGS; i++) {
    req->req_dataseg[i].d_count = 0;
    req->req_dataseg[i].d_base = 0;
}

pkt->pkt_resid = xfercount;

if (sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_DMAEND) {
    req->req_flags |= ISP_REQ_FLAG_DATA_WRITE;
} else {
    req->req_flags |= ISP_REQ_FLAG_DATA_READ;
}
} else {
    req->req_seg_count = 0;
    req->req_dataseg[0].d_count = 0;
}

/*
 * Set up cdb in the request
 */
req->req_cdblen = sp->cmd_cdblen;
bcopy((caddr_t)pkt->pkt_cdbp, (caddr_t)req->req_cdb,
      sp->cmd_cdblen);

/*
 * Start the cmd.  If NO_INTR, must poll for cmd completion.
 */
if ((pkt->pkt_flags & FLAG_NOINTR) == 0) {
    mutex_enter(ISP_REQ_MUTEX(isp));
    rval = isp_i_start_cmd(isp, sp);
    mutex_exit(ISP_REQ_MUTEX(isp));
} else {
    rval = isp_i_polled_cmd_start(isp, sp);
}

```

```
        return (rval);  
    }
```

### *Interrupt Handler and Command Completion*

The interrupt handler must check the status of the device to be sure the device is generating the interrupt in question. It must also check for any errors that may have occurred and service any interrupts generated by the device.

If data was transferred, the hardware should be checked to determine how much data was actually transferred, and the `pkt_resid` field in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure should be set to the residual of the transfer.

For commands marked with the `PKT_CONSISTENT` flag when DMA resources were allocated via `tran_init_pkt(9E)`, the HBA driver must ensure that the data transfer for the command is correctly synchronized before the target driver's command completion callback is performed.

Once a command has completed, there are two requirements:

- start a new command (if one is queued up) on the hardware as quickly as possible
- call the command completion callback as set up in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure by the target driver to notify the target driver that the command is now complete

It is important to start a new command on the hardware, if possible, before calling the `PKT_COMP` command completion callback. The command completion handling may take considerable time, as the target driver will typically call functions such as `biodone(9F)` and possibly `scsi_transport(9F)` to begin a new command.

The interrupt handler must return `DDI_INTR_CLAIMED` if this interrupt is claimed by this driver; otherwise, the handler returns `DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED`.

The following sample code shows an interrupt handler for the SCSI HBA `isp` driver. The `caddr_t` argument is the parameter set up when the interrupt handler was added in `attach(9E)` and is typically a pointer to the state structure allocated per instance.

```
static u_int  
isp_intr(caddr_t arg)
```

```
{
    struct isp_cmd      *sp;
    struct isp_cmd      *head, *tail;
    u_short             response_in;
    struct isp_response *resp;
    struct isp          *isp = (struct isp *)arg;
    struct isp_slot     *isp_slot;
    int                 n;

    if (ISP_INT_PENDING(isp) == 0) {
        return (DDI_INTR_UNCLAIMED);
    }

    do {
again:
        /*
         * head list collects completed packets for callback later
         */
        head = tail = NULL;

        /*
         * Assume no mailbox events (e.g. mailbox cmds, asynch
         * events, and isp dma errors) as common case.
         */
        if (ISP_CHECK_SEMAPHORE_LOCK(isp) == 0) {
            mutex_enter(ISP_RESP_MUTEX(isp));

            /*
             * Loop through completion response queue and post
             * completed pkts. Check response queue again
             * afterwards in case there are more
             */
            isp->isp_response_in =
                response_in = ISP_GET_RESPONSE_IN(isp);

            /*
             * Calculate the number of requests in the queue
             */
            n = response_in - isp->isp_response_out;
            if (n < 0) {
                n = ISP_MAX_REQUESTS -
                    isp->isp_response_out + response_in;
            }

            while (n-- > 0) {
                ISP_GET_NEXT_RESPONSE_OUT(isp, resp);
```

```
        sp = (struct isp_cmd *)resp->resp_token;

        /*
         * copy over response packet in sp
         */
        isp_i_get_response(isp, resp, sp);
    }

    if (head) {
        tail->cmd_forw = sp;
        tail = sp;
        tail->cmd_forw = NULL;
    } else {
        tail = head = sp;
        sp->cmd_forw = NULL;
    }
}

ISP_SET_RESPONSE_OUT(isp);
ISP_CLEAR_RISC_INT(isp);
mutex_exit(ISP_RESP_MUTEX(isp));

if (head) {
    isp_i_call_pkt_comp(isp, head);
}
} else {
    if (isp_i_handle_mbox_cmd(isp) != ISP_AEN_SUCCESS) {
        return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
    }
    /*
     * if there was a reset then check the response
     * queue again
     */
    goto again;
}

} while (ISP_INT_PENDING(isp));

return (DDI_INTR_CLAIMED);
}

static void
isp_i_call_pkt_comp(
    struct isp      *isp,
    struct isp_cmd  *head)
{
```

```

struct isp          *isp;
struct isp_cmd      *sp;
struct scsi_pkt     *pkt;
struct isp_response *resp;
u_char              status;

while (head) {
    sp = head;
    pkt = sp->cmd_pkt;
    head = sp->cmd_forw;

    ASSERT(sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_FINISHED);

    resp = &sp->cmd_isp_response;

    pkt->pkt_scbp[0] = (u_char) resp->resp_scb;
    pkt->pkt_state = ISP_GET_PKT_STATE(resp->resp_state);
    pkt->pkt_statistics = (u_long)
        (ISP_GET_PKT_STATS(resp->resp_status_flags));
    pkt->pkt_resid = (long)resp->resp_resid;

    /*
     * if data was xferred and this is a consistent pkt,
     * we need to do a dma sync
     */
    if ((sp->cmd_flags & CFLAG_CMDIOPB) &&
        (pkt->pkt_state & STATE_XFERRED_DATA)) {

        (void) ddi_dma_sync(sp->cmd_dmahandle,
            sp->cmd_dma_offset, sp->cmd_dma_len,
            DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU);
    }

    sp->cmd_flags = (sp->cmd_flags & ~CFLAG_IN_TRANSPORT) |
        CFLAG_COMPLETED;

    /*
     * Call packet completion routine if FLAG_NOINTR is not set.
     */
    if (((pkt->pkt_flags & FLAG_NOINTR) == 0) &&
        pkt->pkt_comp) {
        (*pkt->pkt_comp)(pkt);
    }
}
}

```



### *Timeout Handler*

The HBA driver should be prepared to time out the command if it does not complete within a specified time unless a zero timeout was specified in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure,

When a command times out, the HBA driver should mark the `scsi_pkt(9S)` with `pkt_reason` set to `CMD_TIMEOUT` and `pkt_statistics` OR'd with `STAT_TIMEOUT`. The HBA driver should also attempt to recover the target and/or bus and, if this recovery can be performed successfully, mark the `scsi_pkt` with `pkt_statistics` OR'd with either `STAT_BUS_RESET` or `STAT_DEV_RESET`.

Once the command has timed out and the target/bus recovery attempt has completed, the HBA driver should call the command completion callback.

---

**Note** – If recovery was unsuccessful or not attempted, the target driver may attempt to recover from the timeout by calling `scsi_reset(9F)`.

---

The ISP hardware manages command timeout directly and returns timed-out commands with the necessary status, so the `isp` sample driver timeout handler checks active commands for timeout state only once every 60 seconds.

The `isp` sample driver uses the `timeout(9F)` facility to arrange for the kernel to call the timeout handler every 60 seconds. The `caddr_t` argument is the parameter set up when the timeout is initialized at `attach(9E)` time. In this case, the `caddr_t` argument is a pointer to the state structure allocated per driver instance.

If the driver discovers timed-out commands that have not been returned as timed-out by the ISP hardware, the hardware is not functioning correctly and needs to be reset.

## *Capability Management*

`tran_getcap( )`

The `tran_getcap(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver is called when a target driver calls `scsi_ifgetcap(9F)` to determine the current value of one of a set of SCSA-defined capabilities.

The target driver may request the current setting of the capability for a particular target by setting the `whom` parameter to nonzero. A `whom` value of 0 means the request is for the current setting of the capability for the SCSI bus or for adapter hardware in general.

`tran_getcap(9E)` should return `-1` for undefined capabilities or the current value of the requested capability.

The HBA driver may use the function `scsi_hba_lookup_capstr(9F)` to compare the capability string against the canonical set of defined capabilities.

```
static int
isp_scsi_setcap(
    struct scsi_address*ap,
    char                *cap,
    int                 whom)
{
    struct isp          *isp;
    int                 rval = 0;
    u_char              tgt = ap->a_target;

    /*
     * We don't allow getting capabilities for other targets
     */
    if (cap == NULL || whom == 0){
        return (-1);
    }

    isp = (struct isp *)ap->a_hba_tran->tran_hba_private;

    ISP_MUTEX_ENTER(isp);

    switch (scsi_hba_lookup_capstr(cap)) {

    case SCSI_CAP_DMA_MAX:
        rval = 1 << 24; /* Limit to 16MB max transfer */
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_MSG_OUT:
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_DISCONNECT:
        if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_DR) == 0) {
            break;
        } else if (
```

```
        (isp->isp_cap[tgt] & ISP_CAP_DISCONNECT) == 0) {
            break;
        }
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_SYNCHRONOUS:
        if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_SYNC) == 0) {
            break;
        } else if (
            (isp->isp_cap[tgt] & ISP_CAP_SYNC) == 0) {
            break;
        }
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_WIDE_XFER:
        if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_WIDE) == 0) {
            break;
        } else if (
            (isp->isp_cap[tgt] & ISP_CAP_WIDE) == 0) {
            break;
        }
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_TAGGED_QING:
        if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_DR) == 0 ||
            (isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_TAG) == 0) {
            break;
        } else if (
            (isp->isp_cap[tgt] & ISP_CAP_TAG) == 0) {
            break;
        }
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_UNTAGGED_QING:
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_PARITY:
        if (isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_PARITY) {
            rval = 1;
        }
        break;
}
```

```
    case SCSI_CAP_INITIATOR_ID:
        rval = isp->isp_initiator_id;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_ARQ:
        if (isp->isp_cap[tgt] & ISP_CAP_AUTONSENSE) {
            rval = 1;
        }
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_LINKED_CMDS:
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_RESET_NOTIFICATION:
        rval = 1;
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_GEOMETRY:
        rval = (64 << 16) | 32;
        break;

    default:
        rval = -1;
        break;
}

ISP_MUTEX_EXIT(isp);

return (rval);
}
```

### tran\_setcap( )

The `tran_setcap(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver is called when a target driver calls `scsi_ifsetcap(9F)` to change the current one of a set of SCSI-defined capabilities.

The target driver may request that the new value be set for a particular target by setting the `whom` parameter to nonzero. A `whom` value of 0 means the request is to set the new value for the SCSI bus or for adapter hardware in general.

`tran_setcap(9E)` should return -1 for undefined capabilities, 0 if the HBA driver cannot set the capability to the requested value, or 1 if the HBA driver is able to set the capability to the requested value.

The HBA driver may use the function `scsi_hba_lookup_capstr(9F)` to compare the capability string against the canonical set of defined capabilities.

```
static int
isp_scsi_setcap(
    struct scsi_address*ap,
    char                *cap,
    int                 value,
    int                 whom)
{
    struct isp         *isp;
    int                rval = 0;
    u_char             tgt = ap->a_target;
    int                update_isp = 0;

    /*
     * We don't allow setting capabilities for other targets
     */
    if (cap == NULL || whom == 0) {
        return (-1);
    }

    isp = (struct isp *)ap->a_hba_tran->tran_hba_private;

    ISP_MUTEX_ENTER(isp);

    switch (scsi_hba_lookup_capstr(cap)) {

    case SCSI_CAP_DMA_MAX:
    case SCSI_CAP_MSG_OUT:
    case SCSI_CAP_PARITY:
    case SCSI_CAP_UNTAGGED_QING:
    case SCSI_CAP_LINKED_CMDS:
    case SCSI_CAP_RESET_NOTIFICATION:
        /*
         * None of these are settable via
         * the capability interface.
         */
        break;
    case SCSI_CAP_DISCONNECT:
        if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
            SCSI_OPTIONS_DR) == 0) {
            break;
        } else {
            if (value) {
                isp->isp_cap[tgt] |= ISP_CAP_DISCONNECT;
            } else {
                isp->isp_cap[tgt] &= ~ISP_CAP_DISCONNECT;
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
    }
  }
  rval = 1;
  break;
case SCSI_CAP_SYNCHRONOUS:
  if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
       SCSI_OPTIONS_SYNC) == 0) {
    break;
  } else {
    if (value) {
      isp->isp_cap[tgt] |= ISP_CAP_SYNC;
    } else {
      isp->isp_cap[tgt] &= ~ISP_CAP_SYNC;
    }
  }
  rval = 1;
  break;
case SCSI_CAP_TAGGED_QING:
  if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
       SCSI_OPTIONS_DR) == 0 ||
      (isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
       SCSI_OPTIONS_TAG) == 0) {
    break;
  } else {
    if (value) {
      isp->isp_cap[tgt] |= ISP_CAP_TAG;
    } else {
      isp->isp_cap[tgt] &= ~ISP_CAP_TAG;
    }
  }
  rval = 1;
  break;
case SCSI_CAP_WIDE_XFER:
  if ((isp->isp_target_scsi_options[tgt] &
       SCSI_OPTIONS_WIDE) == 0) {
    break;
  } else {
    if (value) {
      isp->isp_cap[tgt] |= ISP_CAP_WIDE;
    } else {
      isp->isp_cap[tgt] &= ~ISP_CAP_WIDE;
    }
  }
  rval = 1;
  break;
case SCSI_CAP_INITIATOR_ID:
```

```
if (value < N_ISP_TARGETS_WIDE) {
    struct isp_mbox_cmd mbox_cmd;

    isp->isp_initiator_id = (u_short) value;

    /*
     * set Initiator SCSI ID
     */
    isp_i_mbox_cmd_init(isp, &mbox_cmd, 2, 2,
        ISP_MBOX_CMD_SET_SCSI_ID,
        isp->isp_initiator_id,
        0, 0, 0, 0);
    if (isp_i_mbox_cmd_start(isp, &mbox_cmd) == 0) {
        rval = 1;
    }
}
break;
case SCSI_CAP_ARQ:
    if (value) {
        isp->isp_cap[tgt] |= ISP_CAP_AUTOSENSE;
    } else {
        isp->isp_cap[tgt] &= ~ISP_CAP_AUTOSENSE;
    }
    rval = 1;
    break;

default:
    rval = -1;
    break;
}
ISP_MUTEX_EXIT(isp);

return (rval);
}
```

## *Abort and Reset Management*

`tran_abort()`

The `tran_abort(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver is called to abort one or all of the commands currently in transport for a particular target.

The `tran_abort(9E)` entry point is called when a target driver calls `scsi_abort(9E)`.

The `tran_abort(9E)` entry point should attempt to abort the command denoted by the `pkt` parameter. If the `pkt` parameter is `NULL`, `tran_abort(9E)` should attempt to abort all outstanding commands in the transport layer for the particular target/ logical unit.

Each command successfully aborted must be marked with `pkt_reason CMD_ABORTED` and `pkt_statistics` OR'd with `STAT_ABORTED`.

`tran_reset( )`

The `tran_reset(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver is called to reset either the SCSI bus or a particular SCSI target device.

The `tran_reset(9E)` entry point is called when a target driver calls `scsi_reset(9F)`.

The `tran_reset(9E)` entry point must reset the SCSI bus if level is `RESET_ALL`. If level is `RESET_TARGET`, just the particular target/logical unit must be reset.

Active commands affected by the reset must be marked with `pkt_reason CMD_RESET`, and with `pkt_statistics` OR'd with either `STAT_BUS_RESET` or `STAT_DEV_RESET`, depending on the type of reset.

Commands in the transport layer, but not yet active on the target, must be marked with `pkt_reason CMD_RESET`, and with `pkt_statistics` OR'd with either `STAT_ABORTED`.

`tran_reset_notify( )`

The `tran_reset_notify(9E)` entry point for a SCSI HBA driver is called to request that the HBA driver notify the target driver via callback when a SCSI bus reset occurs.

```
isp_scsi_reset_notify(  
    struct scsi_address      *ap,  
    int                     flag,  
    void                    (*callback)(caddr_t),  
    caddr_t                 arg)
```



```
{
    struct isp                *isp;
    struct isp_reset_notify_entry *p, *beforep;
    int                        rval = DDI_FAILURE;

    isp = (struct isp *)ap->a_hba_tran->tran_hba_private;

    mutex_enter(ISP_REQ_MUTEX(isp));

    /*
     * Try to find an existing entry for this target
     */
    p = isp->isp_reset_notify_listf;
    beforep = NULL;

    while (p) {
        if (p->ap == ap)
            break;
        beforep = p;
        p = p->next;
    }

    if ((flag & SCSI_RESET_CANCEL) && (p != NULL)) {
        if (beforep == NULL) {
            isp->isp_reset_notify_listf = p->next;
        } else {
            beforep->next = p->next;
        }
        kmem_free((caddr_t)p, sizeof (struct
            isp_reset_notify_entry));
        rval = DDI_SUCCESS;
    } else if ((flag & SCSI_RESET_NOTIFY) && (p == NULL)) {
        p = kmem_zalloc(sizeof (struct isp_reset_notify_entry),
            KM_SLEEP);
        p->ap = ap;
        p->callback = callback;
        p->arg = arg;
        p->next = isp->isp_reset_notify_listf;
        isp->isp_reset_notify_listf = p;
        rval = DDI_SUCCESS;
    }

    mutex_exit(ISP_REQ_MUTEX(isp));
}
```

```
        return (rval);  
    }
```

## Driver Installation

### Hardware Configuration File

SCSI HBA drivers have configuration requirements similar to those for standard device drivers. See Chapter 2, “Hardware Overview” for more information.

### Installing the Driver

Before an HBA driver can be used, it must first be properly installed on the system. The `add_drv(1M)` utility must be used to correctly install the HBA driver.

For example, to install the *isp* sample driver, first copy the driver to the `/kernel/drv` directory as displayed below:

```
$ su  
Password:  
# cp isp /kernel/drv  
# cp isp.conf /kernel/drv
```

Next, run `add_drv(1M)` to install the driver. For SCSI HBA drivers, specify class as `scsi` to permit SCSI target drivers to use the HBA driver to communicate with a target device.

```
# add_drv -m" * 0666 root root" -i"pci1077,1020" -c scsi isp
```

Once the HBA driver is installed, a reconfiguration boot is necessary in order to create and attach driver instances for target devices attached on the SCSI bus controlled by the HBA device.

Refer to “Installing and Removing Drivers” on page 309 of the WDD for more information about driver installation.

## *x86 Target Driver Configuration Properties*

Some SunSoft x86 SCSI target drivers (such as the *cmdk* disk target driver) use the following configuration properties:

- `disk`
- `queue`
- `flow_control`

When using the *cmdk* sample driver to write an HBA driver for an x86 platform, one or more of these properties (as appropriate to the HBA driver and hardware) may need to be defined in the `driver.conf(4)` file.

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**Note** - These property definitions should only appear in an HBA driver's `driver.conf(4)` file. The HBA driver itself should not inspect or attempt to interpret these properties in any way. These properties are advisory only and serve as an adjunct to the *cmdk* driver. They should not be relied upon in any way. The property definitions may or may not be used in future releases.

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The `disk` property may be used to define the type of disk supported by *cmdk*. For a SCSI HBA, the only possible value for the `disk` property is:

- `disk="scdk"`

Disk type is a SCSI disk.

The `queue` property defines how the disk driver sorts the queue of incoming requests during `strategy(9E)`. There are two possible values:

- `queue="qsort"`

One-way elevator queueing model, provided by `disksort(9F)`

- `queue="qfifo"`

FIFO (first in, first out) queueing model

The `flow_control` property defines how commands are transported to the HBA driver. There are three possible values:

- `flow_control="dsngl"`

Single command per HBA driver

- `flow_control="dmult"`

Multiple commands per HBA driver—when the HBA queue is full, the driver returns `TRAN_BUSY`

- `flow_control="duplx"`

The HBA can support separate read and write queues, with multiple commands per queue. FIFO ordering is used for the write queue; the queueing model used for the read queue is described by the *queue* property. When an HBA queue is full, the driver returns `TRAN_BUSY`.

Here is an example of a `driver.conf(4)` file for use with an x86 HBA PCI device designed for use with the *cmdk* sample driver:

```
#
# config file for ISP 1020 SCSI HBA driver
#
    flow_control="dsngl" queue="qsort" disk="scdk"
    scsi-initiator-id=7;
```

## *Loading and Unloading Drivers*

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This chapter describes the procedure for installing a device driver in the system, and for dynamically loading and unloading a device driver during testing and development.

### *Preparing for Installation*

Before the driver is actually installed, all necessary files must be prepared. The drivers module name must either match the name of the device nodes, or the system must be informed that other names should be managed by this driver. The driver must then be properly compiled, and a configuration file must be created if necessary.

### *Module Naming*

The system maintains a one-to-one association between the name of the driver module and the name of the `dev_info` node. For example, a `dev_info` node for a device named *wombat* is handled by a driver module called *wombat* in a subdirectory called `drv` (resulting in `drv/wombat`) found in the module path.

If the driver should manage `dev_info` nodes with different names, the `add_drv(1M)` utility can create aliases. The `-i` flag specifies the names of other `dev_info` nodes that the driver handles.

## *Compile and Link the Driver*

Compile each driver source file and link the resulting object files into a driver module. For a driver called `xx` that has two C-language source files the following commands are appropriate:

```
test% cc -D_KERNEL -c xx1.c
test% cc -D_KERNEL -c xx2.c
test% ld -r -o xx xx1.o xx2.o
```

The `_KERNEL` symbol must be defined while compiling kernel (driver) code. No other symbols (such as `sun4c` or `sun4m`) should be defined, other than driver private symbols. `DEBUG` may also be defined to enable any calls to `ASSERT(9F)`. There is also no need to use the `-I` flag for the standard headers.

Once the driver is stable, optimization flags can be used. For SPARCCompilers 2.0.1 and ProCompilers 2.0.1, the normal `-O` flag, or its equivalent `-xO2`, may be used. Note that `-xO2` is the highest level of optimization device drivers should use (see `cc(1)`).

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**Note** – Running `ld -r` is necessary even if there is only one object module.

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## *Write a Hardware Configuration File*

If the device is non-self-identifying, the kernel requires a hardware configuration file for it. If the driver is called `xx`, the hardware configuration file for it should be called `xx.conf`. See `driver.conf(4)`, `isa(4)`, `pseudo(4)`, `sbus(4)`, `scsi(4)` and `vme(4)` for more information on hardware configuration files.

Arbitrary properties can be defined in hardware configuration files by adding entries of the form `property=value`, where `property` is the property name, and `value` is its initial value. This allows devices to be configured by changing the property values.

## Installing and Removing Drivers

Before a driver can be used, the system must be informed that it exists. The `add_drv(1M)` utility *must* be used to correctly install the device driver. Once the driver is installed, it can be loaded and unloaded from memory without using `add_drv(1M)` again.

### Copy the Driver to a Module Directory

The driver and its configuration file must be copied to a `drv` directory in the module path. Usually, this is `/usr/kernel/drv`:

```
$ su
# cp xx /usr/kernel/drv
# cp xx.conf /usr/kernel/drv
```

During development, it may be convenient to add the development directory to the module path that the kernel searches by adding a line to `/etc/system`:

```
moddir: /kernel:/usr/kernel:/new-mod-dir
```

### Optionally Edit `/etc/devlink.tab`

If the driver creates minor nodes that do not represent disks, tapes, or ports (terminal devices), `/etc/devlink.tab` can be modified to cause `devlinks(1M)` to create logical device names in `/dev`. See `devlink.tab(4)` for a description of the syntax of this file.

Alternatively, logical names can be created by a program run at driver installation time.

### Run `add_drv(1M)`

Run `add_drv(1M)` to install the driver in the system. If the driver installs successfully, `add_drv(1M)` will run `disks(1M)`, `tapes(1M)`, `ports(1M)`, and `devlinks(1M)` to create the logical names in `/dev`.

```
# add_drv xx
```

This is a simple case in which the device identifies itself as `xx` and the device special files will have default ownership and permissions (`0600 root sys`). `add_drv(1M)` also allows additional names for the device (aliases) to be specified. See `add_drv(1M)` to determine how to add aliases and set file permissions explicitly.

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**Note** - `add_drv(1M)` should not be run when installing a STREAMS module. See the *STREAMS Programming Guide* for details.

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## Removing the Driver

To remove a driver from the system, use `rem_drv(1M)`, then delete the driver module and configuration file from the module path. The driver cannot be used again until it is reinstalled with `add_drv(1M)`.

## Loading Drivers

Opening a special file associated with the device driver causes the driver to be loaded. `modload(1M)` can also be used to load the driver into memory, but does not call any routines in the module. Opening the device is the preferred method.

## Getting the Driver Module's ID

Individual drivers can be unloaded by *module id*. To determine the module id assigned to a driver, use `modinfo(1M)`. Find the driver's name in the output. The first column of that entry is the driver's module ID

```
# modinfo
Id Loadaddr Size Info Rev Module Name
...
124 ff211000 1df4 101 1 xx (xx driver v1.0)
```

The number in the `Info` field is the major number chosen for the driver.



## Unloading Drivers

Normally, the system automatically unloads device drivers when they are no longer in use. During development, it may be necessary to use `modunload(1M)` to unload the driver before installing a new version. In order for `modunload(1M)` to be successful, the device driver must not be active; there must be no outstanding references to the device, such as through `open(2)` or `mmap(2)`.

Use `modunload(1M)` like this to unload a driver from the system:

```
# modunload -i module_id
```

In addition to being inactive, the driver must have working `detach(9E)` and `_fini(9E)` routines for `modunload(1M)` to succeed.

To unload all currently unloadable modules, specify module ID zero:

```
# modunload -i 0
```



This chapter describes how to debug a device driver. This includes how to set up a `tip(1)` connection to the test machine, how to prepare for a crash, and how to use debugging tools to test and code device drivers.

## Machine Configuration

### Setting Up a `tip(1)` Connection

A serial connection can be made between a test system (the machine executing the code to be debugged) and a host system using `tip(1)`. This allows a window on the host system, called a *tip window*, to be used as the console of the test machine. See `tip(1)` for additional information.

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**Note** – A second machine is *not* required to debug a Solaris 2.x device driver. It is only required for the use of `tip(1)`.

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Using a *tip window* confers the following advantages:

- Interactions with the test system or `kadb` can be monitored. For example, the window can keep a log of the session for use if the driver crashes the test system.
- The test machine can be accessed remotely by logging into a host machine (often called a *tip host*) and using `tip(1)` to connect to the test machine.

### *Setting Up the Host System*

To setup the host system do the following:

1. Connect the host system to the test machine using serial port A on both machines. This connection must be made with a *null modem* cable.
2. On the host system, make an entry in `/etc/remote` for the connection if it is not already there (see `remote(4)`). The terminal entry must match the serial port being used. Solaris 2.x comes with the correct entry for serial port B, but a terminal entry must be added for serial port A:

```
debug:\
      :dv=/dev/term/a:br#9600:el=^C^S^Q^U^D:ie=%$:oe=^D:
```

---

**Note** – The baud rate must be set to 9600.

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3. In a shell window on the host, run `tip(1)` and specify the name of the entry:

```
test% tip debug
connected
```

The shell window is now a *tip window* connected to the console of the test machine.

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**Caution** – Do not use L1-A (for SPARC machines) or CTRL-ALT-D (for x86 machines) on the host machine to send a break to stop the test machine. This actually stops the host machine. To send a break to the test machine, type `~#` in the tip window. Tilde commands such as this are recognized only if they are the first characters on a line, so press the Return key or Control-U first if there is no effect.

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## Setting Up the Test System

### SPARC Platform

A quick way to set up the test machine is to unplug the keyboard before turning the machine on. It then automatically uses serial port A as the console. Another way to do this is to use boot PROM commands to make serial port A the console:

On the test machine, at the boot PROM `ok` prompt, direct console I/O to the serial line. To make the test machine always come up with serial port A as the console, set the environment variables *input-device* and *output-device*.

```
ok setenv input-device ttya
ok setenv output-device ttya
```

### x86 Platforms

On x86 platforms `set console = 1` needs to be added to the `/etc/system` file on the test machine before rebooting. This causes the console to switch to port A (COM1) during reboot.

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**Note** – Unlike SPARC machines, where the *tip* connection maintains console control throughout the boot process, x86 machines don't transfer console control to the *tip* connection until an early stage in the boot process.

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## Preparing for the Worst

It is possible for a driver to render the system incapable of booting. To avoid system reinstallation in this event, some advance work must be done.

### Critical System Files

There are a number of driver-related system files that are difficult, if not impossible, to reconstruct. Files such as `/etc/name_to_major`, `/etc/driver_aliases`, `/etc/driver_classes`, and `/etc/minor_perm` can be corrupted if the driver crashes the system during installation (see `add_drv(1M)`).

To be safe, once the test machine is in the proper configuration, make a backup copy of the root filesystem.

### *Booting an Alternate Kernel*

A kernel other than `/platform/*/kernel/unix` can be booted by specifying it as the boot file. In fact, backup copies of all the system drivers in `/platform/*` can be made and used if the original drivers fail (this is probably more useful if more than one driver is being debugged). For example:

```
# cp -r /platform/sun4c/kernel /platform/sun4c/kernel.orig
```

To boot the original system, boot `kernel.orig/unix`. By default, the first module directory in the module directory path is the one the kernel resides in. By booting `kernel.orig/unix`, the module directory path becomes `/platform/sun4c/kernel.orig /kernel /usr/kernel`.

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**Note** - During testing, the new driver should be placed in `/platform/sun4c/kernel` (and *not* in `/kernel` or `/usr/kernel`) so that, the driver is not loaded if the system is booted out of `kernel.orig`. Alternatively, the module path can be changed by booting with the `ask (-a)` option.

---

```
ok boot kernel.orig/unix
...
Rebooting with command: kernel.orig/unix
Boot device: /sbus/esp@0,800000/sd@1,0 File and args:kernel.orig/unix
SunOS Release 5.5 Version Generic [UNIX(R) System V Release 4.0]
Copyright (c) 1983-1995, Sun Microsystems, Inc.
...
```

For more complete control, boot with the `ask (-a)` option; this allows an alternate boot parameters to be specified (such as `/etc/system.orig` if that is the saved *original* system file) that was copied earlier.

```
ok boot -a
...
Rebooting with command: disk1 -a
Boot device: /sbus/esp@0,800000/sd@1,0   File and args: -a
Enter filename [/kernel/unix]: kernel.orig/unix
Enter default directory for modules
[/platform/SUNW,Sun_4_75/kernel.orig /kernel /usr/kernel]:<CR>
SunOS Release 5.5 Version Generic [UNIX(R) System V Release 4.0]
Copyright (c) 1983-1995, Sun Microsystems, Inc.
Name of system file [etc/system]: etc/system.orig
root filesystem type [ufs]: <CR>
Enter physical name of root device
[/sbus@1,f8000000/esp@0,800000/sd@1,0:a]: <CR>
```

### *Booting Off the Network or CD-ROM*

If the system is attached to a network, the test machine can be added as a client of a server. If a problem occurs, the system can be booted off the network. The local disks can then be mounted and fixed. Alternatively, the system can be booted directly from the Solaris 2.x CD-ROM

### *Recreating /devices and /dev*

If the `/devices` or `/dev` directories are damaged—most likely to occur if the driver crashes during `attach(9E)`—they may be recreated by booting the system and running `fsck(1M)` to repair the damaged root filesystem. The root filesystem can then be mounted and `/devices` recreated by running `drvconfig(1M)` and specifying the directory of the `/devices` on the mounted disk. The `/dev` directory can be repaired by running `devlinks(1M)`, `disks(1M)`, `tapes(1M)`, and `ports(1M)` on the `dev` directory of the mounted disk.

On SPARC, for example, if the damaged disk is `/dev/dsk/c0t3d0s0`, and an alternate boot disk is `/dev/dsk/c0t1d0s0`, do the following:

```
ok boot disk1
...
Rebooting with command: disk1
Boot device: /sbus/esp@0,800000/sd@1,0   File and args:
SunOS Release 5.5 Version Generic [UNIX(R) System V Release 4.0]
Copyright (c) 1983-1995, Sun Microsystems, Inc.
...
# fsck /dev/dsk/c0t3d0s0
** /dev/dsk/c0t3d0s0
** Last Mounted on /
** Phase 1 - Check Blocks and Sizes
** Phase 2 - Check Pathnames
** Phase 3 - Check Connectivity
** Phase 4 - Check Reference Counts
** Phase 5 - Check Cyl groups
1478 files, 9922 used, 29261 free(141 frags, 3640 blocks, 0.4% fragmentation)
# mount /dev/dsk/c0t3d0s0 /mnt
# drvconfig -r /mnt/devices
# devlinks -r /mnt
# disks -r /mnt
# tapes -r /mnt
# ports -r /mnt
```

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**Caution** – Fixing `/devices` and `/dev` may allow the system to boot, but other parts of the system may still be corrupted. This may only be a temporary fix to allow saving of information (such as system core dumps) before reinstalling the system.

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### *Booting Off a Backup Root Partition*

One way to deal with this is to have another bootable root file system. Use `format(1M)` to make a partition the exact size of the original, then use `dd(1M)` to copy it. After making a copy, run `fsck(1M)` on the new file system to ensure its integrity.

Later, if the system cannot boot from the original root partition, boot the backup partition and use `dd(1M)` to copy the backup partition onto the original one. If the system will not boot but the root file system is undamaged (just the



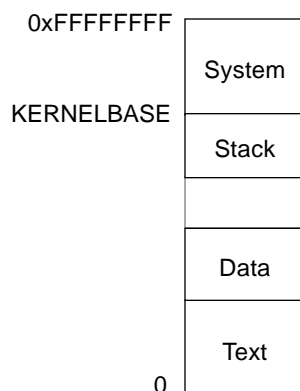
boot block or boot program was destroyed, for example), boot off the backup partition with the `ask (-a)` option, then specify the original filesystem as the root filesystem.

## Coding Hints

During development, debugging the driver should be a constant consideration. Since the driver is operating much closer to the hardware, and without the protection of the operating system, debugging kernel code is more difficult than debugging user-level code. For example, a stray pointer access can crash the entire system. This section provides some information that may be used to make the driver easier to debug.

## Process Layout

A standard Solaris 2.x process looks like this:



The system portion of a process' virtual address space occupies the high end of memory. Solaris 2.x defines a `KERNELBASE` for each platform. On SPARC and x86 machines, `KERNELBASE` is set to `0xE0000000`. `KERNELBASE` can be used when debugging drivers to determine the address space. Addresses below `KERNELBASE` probably refer to user addresses, while addresses above refer to kernel addresses.

## System Support

The system provides a number of routines that can aid in debugging; these are documented in Section 9 of the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*.

`cmn_err()`

`cmn_err(9F)` is used to print messages to the console from within the device driver. `cmn_err(9F)` provides additional format characters (such as `%b`) to print device register bits. See `cmn_err(9F)` and “Printing Messages” on page 66 for more information.

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**Note** – Though `printf()` and `uprntf()` currently exist, they should not be used if the driver is to be Solaris DDI-compliant.

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`ASSERT()`

```
void ASSERT(int expression)
```

`ASSERT(9F)` can be used to assure that a condition is true at some point in the program. It is a macro whose use varies depending on whether or not the symbol `DEBUG` is defined. If `DEBUG` is not defined, the macro expands to nothing and the expression is not evaluated. If `DEBUG` is defined, the expression is evaluated and, if the value is zero, a message is printed to the system console and the system panics.

For example, if a driver pointer should be non-NULL and is not, the following assertion could be used to check the code:

```
ASSERT(ptr != NULL);
```

If compiled with `DEBUG` defined and the assertion fails, a message is printed to the console and the system panics:

```
panic: assertion failed: ptr != NULL, file: driver.c, line: 56
```

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**Note** – Because `ASSERT(9F)` uses `DEBUG`, it is suggested that any conditional debugging code also be based on `DEBUG`, rather than on a driver symbol (such as `MYDEBUG`). Otherwise, for `ASSERT(9F)` to function properly, `DEBUG` must be defined whenever `MYDEBUG` is defined.

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Assertions are an extremely valuable form of active documentation.

```
mutex_owned( )  
int mutex_owned(kmutex_t *mp);
```

A significant portion of driver development involves properly handling multiple threads. Comments should always be used when a mutex is acquired, and are even more useful when an apparently necessary mutex is *not* acquired. To determine if a mutex is held by a thread, use `mutex_owned(9F)` within `ASSERT(9F)`:

```
void helper(void)  
{  
    /* this routine should always be called with the mutex held */  
    ASSERT(mutex_owned(&xsp->mu));  
    ...  
}
```

Future releases of Solaris may only support the use of `mutex_owned(9F)` within `ASSERT(9F)` by not defining `mutex_owned(9F)` unless the preprocessor symbol `DEBUG` is defined.

## *Conditional Compilation and Variables*

Debugging code can be placed in a driver by conditionally compiling code based on a preprocessor symbol such as `DEBUG` or by using a global variable. Conditional compilation has the advantage that unnecessary code can be removed in the production driver. Using a variable allows the amount of debugging output to be chosen at run time. This can be accomplished by setting a debugging level at run time with an I/O control or through a debugger. Commonly, these two methods are combined.

The following example relies on the compiler to remove unreachable code (the code following the always-false test of zero), and also provides a local variable that can be set in `/etc/system` or patched by a debugger.

```

#ifdef DEBUG
comments on values of xxdebug and what they do
static int xxdebug;
#define dcmn_err if (xxdebug) cmn_err
#else
#define dcmn_err if (0) cmn_err
#endif
...
    dcmn_err(CE_NOTE, "Error!\n");

```

This method handles the fact that `cmn_err(9F)` has a variable number of arguments. Another method relies on the macro having one argument, a parenthesized argument list for `cmn_err(9F)`, which the macro removes. It also removes the reliance on the optimizer by expanding the macro to nothing if `DEBUG` is not defined.

```

#ifdef DEBUG
comments on values of xxdebug and what they do
static int xxdebug;
#define dcmn_err(X) if (xxdebug) cmn_err X
#else
#define dcmn_err(X) /* nothing */
#endif
...
/* Note:double parentheses are required when using dcmn_err. */
    dcmn_err((CE_NOTE, "Error!"));

```

This can be extended in many ways, such as by having different messages from `cmn_err(9F)` depending on the value of `xxdebug`, but be careful not to obscure the code with too much debugging information.

Another common scheme is to write an `xxlog()` function, which uses `vsprintf(9F)` or `vcmn_err(9F)` to handle variable argument lists.

## volatile *and* `_depends_on`

`volatile` is a keyword that must be used when declaring any variable that will reference a device register. If this is not done, the optimizer may optimize important accesses away. This is very important; neglecting to use `volatile` can result in bugs that are very difficult to track down. See “volatile” on page 77 for more information.

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**Note** – `_depends_on` must *not* be declared a static variable; if it is, the compiler may optimize it out of the device driver code.

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## Debugging Tools

This section describes some programs and files that can be used to debug the driver at run time.

### `/etc/system`

The `/etc/system` file is read once while the kernel is booting. It is used to set various kernel options. After modifying this file, the system must be rebooted for the changes to take effect. If a change in the file causes the system not to work, boot with the `ask (-a)` option and specify `/dev/null` as the system file.

The path the kernel uses when looking for modules can be set by changing the `moddir` variable in the system file. If the driver module is in a working area (such as `/home/driver`) `moddir: /kernel /usr/kernel /home/driver` must be added to the `/etc/system` before rebooting.

Add the following set commands to the `/etc/system` file:

- To set module variables, the module name must also be specified:

```
set module_name:variable=value
```
- To set the variable `xxdebug` in the driver `xx`, use the following set command:

```
set xx:xxdebug=1
```
- To set a kernel integer variable, omit the module name. Other assignments are also supported, such as bitwise OR'ing a value into an existing value:

```
set moddebug | 0x80000000
```

See `system(4)` for more information.

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**Note** – Most kernel variables are not guaranteed to be present in subsequent releases.

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## moddebug

`moddebug` is a kernel variable that controls the module loading process. The possible values are:

- 0x80000000 – Print messages to the console when loading/unloading modules.
- 0x40000000 – Give more detailed error messages
- 0x20000000 – Print more detail when loading/unloading (such as including the address and size).
- 0x00001000 – No autounloading drivers: the system will not attempt to unload the device driver when the system resources become low.
- 0x00000080 – No autounloading streams: the system will not attempt to unload the streams module when the system resources become low.
- 0x00000010 – No autounloading of drivers of any type. Module loading is disabled.
- 0x00000004 – Not ok to page out symbol table. Prevents kernel from (possibly) paging out the driver's symbol table. It should be assumed that `kadb` requires access to the symbol table in order to operate properly.
- 0x00000001 – If running with `kadb`, `moddebug` causes a breakpoint to be executed and a return to `kadb` immediately before each module's `_init()` routine is called. Also generates additional debug messages when the module's `_info` and `_fini` routines are executed.

## modload *and* modunload

Since the kernel automatically loads needed modules, and unloads unused ones, these two commands are now obsolete. However, they can be used for debugging.

`modload(1M)` can be used to force a module into memory. The kernel may subsequently unload it, but `modload(1M)` may be used to ensure that the driver has no unresolved references when loaded.

`modunload(1M)` can be used to unload a module, given a module ID (which can be determined with `modinfo(1M)`). Unloading a module does not necessarily remove it from memory. To unload all unloadable modules and forcibly remove them from memory (so that they will be reloaded from the actual object file), use module ID zero:

```
# modunload -i 0
```

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**Note** - `modload(1M)` and `modunload(1M)` may be removed in a future release.

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## *Saving System Core Dumps*

When the system panics, it writes the memory image to the dump device (generally the swap device). This is a system core dump, similar to core dumps generated by applications.

There must be enough space in the swap area to contain the core dump. To be safe, the primary swap area should be at least the size of main memory.

savecore(1M) is used to copy the system's core image to a file. Normally, the system does not examine the swap area for core dumps when it boots. This must be enabled in `/etc/init.d/syssetup`. Change the lines that read:

```
##
## Default is to not do a savecore
##
#if [ ! -d /var/crash/`uname -n` ]
#then mkdir -p /var/crash/`uname -n`
#fi
#           echo `checking for crash dump...\c `
#savecore /var/crash/`uname -n`
#           echo ``
```

To:

```
##
## Default is to not do a savecore
##
if [ ! -d /var/crash/`uname -n` ]
then mkdir -p /var/crash/`uname -n`
fi
           echo `checking for crash dump...\c `
savecore /var/crash/`uname -n`
           echo ``
```

---

**Note** – It is not necessary to use `/var/crash` if sufficient disk space is *not* available. In this case, choose a directory where disk space is at least as large as physical memory.

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When `savecore(1M)` runs, it makes a copy of the kernel that was running (called `unix.n`) and dumps a core file (called `vmcore.n`) in the specified directory, normally `/var/crash/machine_name`. There must be enough space in `/var/crash` to contain the core dump or it will be truncated. Since the file contains holes, it will appear larger than actual size; avoid copying it. `adb(1)` can then be used on the core dump and the saved kernel.



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**Note** – `savecore(1M)` can be prevented from filling the file system if there is a file called `minfree` in the directory in which the dump will be saved. This file contains a number of kilobytes to remain free after `savecore(1M)` has run. However, if not enough space is available, the core file is not saved.

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## adb *and* kadb

`adb(1)` can be used to debug applications or the kernel, though it cannot debug the kernel interactively (such as by setting breakpoints). To interactively debug the kernel, use `kadb(1M)`. Both `adb(1)` and `kadb(1M)` share a common command set.

### *Starting* adb

The command for starting `adb(1)` to debug a kernel core dump is:

```
% adb -k /var/crash/hostname/unix.n /var/crash/hostname/vmcore.n
```

---

**Note** – Best results are obtained when using `adb` on the same architecture (such as Sun4m) that generated the core image.

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To start `adb` on a live system, use (as `root`):

```
# adb -k /dev/ksyms /dev/mem
```

`/dev/ksyms` is a special driver that provides an image of the kernel's symbol table to `adb(1)`.

When `adb(1)` responds with `physmem xxx`, it is ready for a command.

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**Note** – If the `-p` option of `adb` is used, an input prompt is displayed.

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### *Starting kadb*

The system must be booted under `kadb(1M)` before `kadb(1M)` can be used.

```
ok boot kadb
...
Boot device: /sbus/esp@0,800000/sd@3,0   File and args: kadb
kadb: kernel/unix
Size: 191220+114284+12268 Bytes
/platform/SUNW,Sun_4_75/kernel/unix loaded - 0x70000 bytes used
SunOS Release 5.5 Version Generic [UNIX(R) System V Release 4.0]
Copyright (c) 1983-1995, Sun Microsystems, Inc.
...
```

By default, `kadb(1M)` boots (and debugs) `kernel/unix`. It can be passed a file name as an argument to boot a different kernel, or `-d` can be passed to have `kadb(1M)` prompt for the kernel name. The `-d` flag also causes `kadb(1M)` to provide a prompt after it has loaded the kernel, so breakpoints can be set.

```
ok boot kadb -d
...
Boot device: /sbus/esp@0,800000/sd@3,0   File and args: kadb -d
kadb: kernel/unix
kadb: kernel/unix
Size: 191220+114284+12268 Bytes
/platform/SUNW,Sun_4_75/kernel/unix loaded - 0x70000 bytes used
kadb[0]:
```

---

**Note** – Modules are dynamically loaded. Consequently, driver symbols are not available until the driver is loaded. In addition, it may be difficult to set breakpoints in the driver during module loading.

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At this point you can set break points or continue with the `:c` command.

`kadb(1M)` passes any kernel flags to the booted kernel. For example, the flags `-r`, `-s` and `-a` can be passed to `kernel/unix` with the command:

```
boot kadb -ras.
```

Once the system is booted, sending a break passes control to `kadb(1M)`. A break is generated with L1-A (on the console of SPARC machines) , or by CTR-ALT-D (on the console of x86 machines) or `~#` (if the console is connected through a *tip* window).

```
...
The system is ready.

test console login: ~stopped at 0xfbd01028: ta 0x7d
kadb[0]:
```

The number in brackets is the CPU that `kadb(1M)` is currently executing on; the remaining CPUs are halted. The CPU number is zero on a uniprocessor.

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**Warning** – Before rebooting or shutting off the power, always halt the system cleanly (with `init 0` or `shutdown`). Buffers may not be flushed otherwise. If the shutdown must occur from the boot PROM prompt, make sure to flush buffers with `sync`.

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To return control to the operating system, use `:c`.

```
kadb[0]: :c

test console login:
```

## Exiting

To exit either `adb(1M)` or `kadb(1M)`, use `$q`.

```
kadb[0]: $q
Type 'go' to resume
ok
```

On SPARC machines, `kadb(1M)` can be resumed by typing `go` at the `ok` prompt. On x86 machines, `kadb(1M)` cannot be resumed.

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**Warning** – No other commands can be performed from the PROM if the system is to be resumed. PROM commands other than `go` may change system state that Solaris 2.x depends on.

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Staying at the `kadb(1M)` prompt for too long may cause the system to lose track of the time of day, and cause network connections to time out.

### *Commands*

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**Note** – See `kadb(1M)` Quick Reference Guide.

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The general form of an `adb(1M)/kadb(1M)` command is:

```
[ address ] [ ,count ] command [ ; ]
```

If *address* is omitted, the current location is used (‘.’ could also be used to represent the current location). The address can be a kernel symbol. If *count* is omitted, it defaults to 1.

Commands to `adb` consist of a *verb* followed by a *modifier* or list of modifiers. Verbs can be:

- |        |  |
|--------|--|
| ?      | Print locations starting at <i>address</i> in the executable.                        |
| /      | Print locations starting at <i>address</i> in the core file.                         |
| =      | Print the value of <i>address</i> itself.  |
| >      | Assign a value to a variable or register.  |
| <      | Read a value from a variable or register.  |
| RETURN | Repeat the previous command with a count of 1. Increment ‘.’ (the current location). |

With `?`, `/`, and `=`, output format specifiers can be used. Lowercase letters normally print 2 bytes, uppercase letters print 4 bytes:

- |                   |                       |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| <code>o, O</code> | 2, 4 byte octal       |
| <code>d, D</code> | 2, 4 byte decimal     |
| <code>x, X</code> | 2, 4 byte hexadecimal |

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u,U	2, 4 byte unsigned decimal
f,F	4, 8 byte floating point
c	Print the addressed character
C	Print the addressed character using ^ escape notation.
s	Print the addressed string.
S	Print the addressed string using ^ escape notation.
i	Print as machine instructions (disassemble)
a	Print the value of '.' in symbolic form.
w,W	2, 4 byte write

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**Note** – Understand exactly what sizes the objects are, and what effects changing them might have, before making any changes.

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For example, to set a bit in the `moddebug` variable when debugging the driver, first examine the value of `moddebug`, then set it to the desired bit.

```
kadb[0]: moddebug/X
moddebug:
moddebug: 0x00001000
kadb[0]: moddebug/W 0x80001000
moddebug:    0x00001000 = 0x80001000
```

Routines can be disassembled with the 'i' command. For example, to print the first four examples of the `strcmp` function:

This is useful when tracing crashes, since the only information may be the program counter at the time of the crash. The output has been formatted for readability:

```
kadb[0]: kmem_alloc,4?i
      kmem_alloc:
      kmem_alloc:  save    %sp, -0x60, %sp
      sub    %i0, 0x1, %l6
      sra    %l6, 0x3, %i5
      tst    %i5
```

To show the addresses also, specify symbolic notation with the ‘a’ command:

```
kadb[0]: kmem_alloc,4?ai
      kmem_alloc:      kmem_alloc:      save    %sp, -0x60, %sp
      kmem_alloc+4:  sub    %i0, 0x1, %l6
      kmem_alloc+8:  sra    %l6, 0x3, %i5
      kmem_alloc+0xc:  tst    %i5
```

### Register Identifiers

Machine or kadb(1M) internal registers are identified with the ‘<’ command, followed by the register of interest. On SPARC, the following register names are recognized:

- .                    *dot*, the current location
- i0-7                Input registers to current function
- o0-7                Output registers for current function
- l0-7                Local registers
- g0-7                Global registers
- psr                 Processor Status Register
- tbr                 Trap Base Register
- wim                 Window Invalid Mask.

On x86 machines, the following register names are recognized:

For more information on how these registers are normally used, see the *System V Application Binary Interface, SPARC Processor Supplement*.

**Note** – The remaining examples in this chapter are for use on SPARC machines only. For specific register information relating to x86 machines, see the *System V Application Binary Interface, x86 Processor Supplement*

The following command displays the PSR as a 4-byte hexadecimal value:

```
kadb[0]: <psr=X
          400cc3
```

### *.Display and Control Commands*

The following commands display and control the status of `adb(1)/kadb(1M)`:

<code>\$b</code>	Display all breakpoints
<code>\$c</code>	Display stack trace
<code>\$d</code>	Change default radix to value of dot
<code>\$q</code>	Quit
<code>\$r</code>	Display registers
<code>\$M</code>	Display built-in macros.

'`$c`' is very useful with crash dumps: it shows the call trace and arguments at the time of the crash. It is also useful in `kadb(1M)` when a breakpoint is reached, but is usually not useful if `kadb(1M)` is entered at a random time. The number of arguments to print can be passed following the '`$c`' ('`$c 2`' for two arguments).

### *Breakpoints*

In `kadb(1M)`, breakpoints can be set, which will automatically drop back into `kadb` when reached. The standard form of a breakpoint command is:

```
addr [, count]:b [command]
```

`addr` is the address at which the program will be stopped and the debugger will receive control, `count` is the number of times that the breakpoint address occurs before stopping, and `command` is almost any `adb(1)` command. Other breakpoint commands are:

<code>:c</code>	continue execution
<code>:d</code>	delete breakpoint
<code>:s</code>	single step
<code>:e</code>	single step, but step over function calls
<code>:u</code>	stop after return to caller of current function
<code>:z</code>	delete all breakpoints

`debug_enter( )`

Device drivers can generate a breakpoint by calling the function `debug_enter()`. Calling `debug_enter()` causes the system to act as if a break (L1-A on SPARC, CTL-ALT-D on x86, or ~# using tip) had been typed at the console. If the system was booted with `kadb(1M)`, control is returned to `kadb`. Without `kadb`, the system either halts (on x86 machines) or enters the Openboot PROM (on SPARC machines).

`debug_enter()` takes the address of an ASCII string which it prints before entering `kadb(1M)`. Pass a NULL (0) value if no message is to be printed.

Following is an example that sets a breakpoint in `scsi_transport(9F)`, a commonly used routine. Upon reaching the breakpoint, '`$c`' is used to get a stack trace. The top of stack is the first function printed. Note that `kadb(1M)` does not know how many arguments were passed to the function; it always prints six.



```
kadb[0]: scsi_transport:b
kadb[0]: :c

test console login: root
Password:
breakpoint scsi_transport: save %sp, -0x60, %sp
kadb[0]: $c
scsi_transport(0xff15dc00,0xff15dd68,0xff15de24,0x0,0xff15dc00,0xff571228)
sdstrategy(0xff571228,0x6,0xff15dc78,0x1a190,0xff15dd5c,0xff15dc00) + 474
bdev_strategy(0xff571228,0x80059,0x3ffff,0x80001e,0x80001e,0xff3ba9bc) + d8
ufs_startio(0xff80cd30,0x1a190,0xff571228,0x2000,0xff4c4e00,0x40) + 2b0
ufs_getpage_miss(0xff80cd38,0x0,0xf0286870,0xff40dfa0,0xffcd2000,0xf03f0820) + 200
ufs_getpage(0xff80cd38,0xffcd2000,0x0,0x1000,0x1000,0xf03f0820) + 5b8
segmap_fault(0xff181000,0xff40dfa0,0xffcd2000,0x1000,0x0,0x1) + f8
segmap_getmapflt(0xff14ac16,0xffcd2000,0xffcd2000,0xff14ac08,0x1,0xffcd2000) + 400
rdip(0x0,0xf03f09e0,0x0,0x0,0x4,0x4468) + 328
ufs_read(0xff4c4e00,0xf03f09e0,0x0,0xff34dc68,0xff80cd98,0xff80cd30) + d0
vn_rdw(0x0,0xff80cd38,0xf03f0a8c,0x0,0x0,0x1) + cc
gexec(0xff80cd38,0xf03f0c90,0xf03f0b4c,0x0,0x0,0x0) + 88
exece(0xf03f0c90,0xf03f0c00,0x0,0xff77d268,0x0,0xff71ad10) + 1ec
syscall_ap(0x52b20) + 6c
syscall_trap(?) + 150
Syssize(0x52b20) + 145bc
Syssize(0x52a54,0x2,0xfffffff,0x52a50,0x2,0x52a66) + 14574
Syssize(0x52a24,0x33f92,0x0,0x33fb3,0x1,0x0) + 16488
Syssize(0x0,0x51b88,0x0,0xeffffda,0x303cf5e4,0x303cf471) + eab0
Syssize(0x51c00,0x0,0x0,0x1,0x4bc00,0x0) + e7f8

kadb[0]: :s
stopped at scsi_transport+4: ld [%i0 + 0x14], %o3
kadb[0]: $b
breakpoints
count bkpt command
1 scsi_transport
kadb[0]: scsi_transport:d
kadb[0]: :c
```

### *Conditional Breakpoints*

Following is the general syntax of conditional breakpoints:

```
address,count:b command
```

In this example, *address* is the address at which to set the breakpoint. *count* is the number of times the breakpoint should be ignored (note that 0 means break only when the command returns 0). *command* is the `adb(1)` command to execute.

Breakpoints can also be set to occur only if a certain condition is met. By providing a command, the breakpoint will be taken only if the count is reached or the command returns zero. For example, a breakpoint that occurs only on certain I/O controls could be set in the driver's `ioctl(9E)` routine. Here is an example of breaking only in the `sdioctl()` routine if the `DKIOGVTOC` (get volume table of contents) I/O control occurs.

```
kadb[0]: sdioctl+4,0:b <i1-0x40B
kadb[0]: $b
breakpoints
count  bkpt      command
0      sdioctl+4  <i1-0x40B
kadb[0]: :c
```

Adding four to `sdioctl` skips to the second instruction in the routine, bypassing the `save` instruction that establishes the stack. The '`<i1`' refers to the first input register, which is the second parameter to the routine (the `cmd` argument of `ioctl(9E)`). The count of zero is impossible to reach, so it stops only when the command returns zero, which is when '`i1 - 0x40B`' is true. This means `i1` contains `0x40B` (the value of the `ioctl` command, determined by examining the `ioctl` definition).

To force the breakpoint to be reached, the `prtvto(1M)` command is used. It is known to issue this I/O control:

```
# prtvto /dev/rdisk/c0t3d0s0
breakpoint      sdioc1+4:      st      %i5, [%fp + 0x58]
breakpoint sdioc1+4: mov %i0, %o0
kadb[0]: $c
sdioc1(0x800018,0x40b,0xefffec04,0x5,0xff34dc68,0xf03f0c00) + 4
ioc1(0xf03f0c90,0xf03f0c00,0x3,0x18,0xff445f5c,0xff7a09e0) + 270
syscall_ap(0x3) + 6c
syscall_trap(?) + 150
Sysize(0x3) + 20458
Sysize(0x3,0x22f70,0xefffec04,0x1,0x4,0xefff6c) + fc14
Sysize(0xefff6c,0xffffffff,0x1,0x1,0x3,0x22f70) + f5b4
Sysize(0x2,0xefffec4,0xefffed0,0x22c00,0x0,0x1) + ebe4
```

`kadb(1M)` cannot always determine where the bottom of the stack is. In the previous example, the call to `Sysize` is not part of the stack.

## Macros

`adb(1)` and `kadb(1M)` support macros. `adb(1)` macros are in `/usr/lib/adb` and `/usr/platform/`uname -i`/lib/adb`, while `kadb(1M)`'s macros are built-in and can be displayed with `$M`. Most of the existing macros are for private kernel structures. New macros for `adb` can be created with `adbgen(1M)`.

Macros are used in the form:

```
[ address ] $<macroname
```

`threadlist` is a useful macro that displays the stacks of all the threads in the system. Since this macro does not take an address and can generate a lot of output, be ready to use Control-S and Control-Q to start/stop if necessary—this is another good reason to use a `tip` window. Control-C can be used to abort the listing.:

```
kadb[0]: $<threadlist
        thread_id f0202000
?(?) + fbd46740
main(0x0,0x2,0x3c,0x2,0xf021e758,0xf0202000)
systap_enter(0xf0004000,0xf021d400,0xf02480e0,0xf021d40,0xf021f800 + 208
        thread_id f0301ec0
?(0xfbd01000,0x1,0x44,0xf40f,0x80,0xff46bb10) + fbd46740
zs_high_intr(0xff231b9c) + 78
_level1(0xf0301ec0) + 414
idle(0x1,0x0,0xf021e758,0xf021e758,0xf021cec0,0xf021cf08) + 48
        thread_id f0322ec0
?(?) + fbd46740
cv_wait(0xf0245000,0xf0245000,0x80000000,0xf0245bcc,0xf0245bcc,0xf0245bcc)
callout_thread(0x0,0x0,0xf021e758,0xf021e758,0xf0245014,0xf0245000) + 1c
        thread_id f0325ec0
?(?) + fbd46740
cv_wait(0xf0245000,0xf0245000,0x80000000,0xf0245bc0,0xf0245bc0,0xf0245bc0)
callout_thread(0x0,0x0,0xf021e758,0xf021e758,0xf0245014,0xf0245000) + 1c
...
```

Another useful macro is `thread`. Given a thread ID, this macro prints the corresponding thread structure. This can be used to look at a certain thread found with the `threadlist` macro, to look at the owner of a mutex, or to look at the current thread.

```
kadb[0]: <g7$<thread
0xf0301ec0:
    link          stk
    0             f0301e60
0xf0301ecc:
    bound         affcnt      bind_cpu
    f021cec0     1           -1
0xf0301ed4:
    flag          procflag    schedflag    state
    8             0           11           4
0xf0301ee0:
    pri           epri        pc           sp
    -1            0           f000c030    f031fed0
0xf0301eec:
    wchan0       wchan      cid         clfuncs
    0             0           0           f0225f88
0xf0301f00:
    cldata       ctx         lofault     onfault
    0             0           0           0
0xf0301f10:
    nofault      swap        lock        cpu
    0             f0301000   ff          f021cec0
0xf0301f20:
    intr         delay_cv
...
```

**Note** – There is no type information kept in the kernel, so using a macro on an inappropriate object will result in garbage output.

Macros do not necessarily output all the fields of the structures, nor is the output necessarily in the order given in the structure definition. Occasionally, memory may need to be dumped for certain structures and then matched with the structure definition in the kernel header files.

**Warning** – Drivers should never reference header files and structures *not* listed in Section 9S of the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*. However, examining non ddi-compliant structures (such as thread structures) can be useful in debugging drivers.

### *Example: adb on a Core Dump*

During the development of the example ramdisk driver, the system crashes with a data fault when running `mkfs(1M)`.

```
test# mkfs -F ufs -o nsect=8,ntrack=8,free=5 /devices/pseudo/ramdisk:0,raw 1024
BAD TRAP
mkfs: Data fault
kernel read fault at addr=0x4, pme=0x0
Sync Error Reg 80<INVALID>
pid=280, pc=0xff2f88b0, sp=0xf01fe750, psr=0xc0, context=2
g1-g7: ffffffff98, 8000000, ffffffff80, 0, f01fe9d8, 1, ff1d4900
Begin traceback... sp = f01fe750
Called from f0098050,fp=f01fe7b8,args=1180000 f01fe878 ff1ed280 ff1ed280 2 ff2f8884
Called from f0097d94,fp=f01fe818,args=ff24fd40 f01fe878 f01fe918 0 0 ff2c9504
Called from f0024e8c,fp=f01fe8b0,args=f01fee90 f01fe918 2 f01fe8a4 f01fee90 3241c
Called from f0005a28,fp=f01fe930,args=f00c1c54 f01fe98c 1 f00b9d58 0 3
Called from 15c9c,fp=effffca0,args=5 3241c 200 0 0 7fe00
End traceback...
panic: Data fault
```

`savecore(1M)` was not enabled. After enabling it (See “Saving System Core Dumps” on page 325), the system is rebooted. The crash is then recreated by running `mkfs(1M)` again. When the system comes up, it saves the kernel and the core file, which can then be examined with `adb(1)`:

```
# cd /var/crash/test
# ls
bounds    unix.0    vmcore.0
# adb -k unix.0 vmcore.0
physmem lece
```

The first step is to examine the stack to determine where the system was when it crashed:

```

$c
complete_panic(0x0,0x1,0xf00b6c00,0x7d0,0xf00b6c00,0xe3) + 114
do_panic(0xf00be7ac,0xf0269750,0x4,0xb,0xb,0xf00b6c00) + 1c
die(0x9,0xf0269704,0x4,0x80,0x1,0xf00be7ac) + 5c
trap(0x9,0xf0269704,0x4,0x80,0x1,0xf02699d8) + 6b4

```

This stack trace is not very helpful initially, since the ramdisk routines are not on the stack trace. However, there *is* a useful bit of information: the call to `trap()`. The first argument to `trap()` is the trap type. The second argument to `trap()` is a pointer to a `regs` structure containing the state of the registers at the time of the trap. See *The SPARC Architecture Manual, Version 8* for more information.

```

0xf0269704$<regs
0xf0269704: psr      pc          npc
              c0      ff2dd8b0   ff2dd8b4
0xf0269710: y          g1          g2          g3
              e0000000  ffffffff98  80000000   ffffffff80
0xf0269720: g4          g5          g6          g7
              0          f02699d8   1          ff22c800
0xf0269730: o0          o1          o2          o3
              f02697a0   ff080000   19000     ef709000
0xf0269740: o4          o5          o6          o7
              8000     0          f0269750   7fffffff

```

Note that the `pc` (program counter) in the previous example was `ff2dd8b0` when the trap occurred. The next step is to determine which routine its in:

```

ff2dd8b0/i
rd_write+0x2c: ld [%o2 + 0x4], %o3

```

The `pc` corresponds to `rd_write()`, which is a routine in the ramdisk driver. The bug is in the ramdisk write routine, and occurs during an `ld` (load) instruction. This load instruction is dereferencing the value of `o2+4`, so the next step is to determine the value of `o2`.

**Note** – Using the `$r` command to examine the registers is inappropriate because the registers have been reused in the `trap` routine. Instead, examine the value of `o2` from the `regs` structure.

`o2` has the value 19000 in the `regs` structure. Valid kernel addresses are constrained to be above `KERNELBASE` by the ABI, so this address is probably a user one. The ramdisk does not deal with user addresses; consequently, the ramdisk write routine should not be dereferencing an address below `KERNELBASE`.

In order to match the assembly language with the C code, the routine is disassembled up to the problem instruction. Each instruction is 4 bytes in size, so `2c/4` or `0xb` additional instructions should be displayed:

```
rd_write,c/i
rd_write:
rd_write:  sethi   %hi(0xfffffc00), %g1
          add    %g1, 0x398, %g1 ! fffffff98
          save  %sp, %g1, %sp
          st    %i0, [%fp + 0x44]
          st    %i1, [%fp + 0x48]
          st    %i2, [%fp + 0x4c]
          ld    [%fp + 0x44], %o0
          call  getminor
          nop
          st    %o0, [%fp - 0x4]
          ld    [%fp - 0x8], %o2
          ld    [%o2 + 0x4], %o3
```

The crash occurs a few instructions after a call to `getminor(9F)`. If the `ramdisk.c` source file is examined, the following lines stand out in `rd_write`:

```
int instance = getminor(dev);
rd_devstate_t *rsp;
if (uiop->uio_offset >= rsp->ramsize)
    return (EINVAL);
```

Notice that `rsp` is never initialized. This is the problem. It is fixed by including the correct call to `ddi_get_soft_state(9F)` (since the ramdisk driver uses the soft state routines to do state management):



```
int instance = getminor(dev);
rd_devstate_t *rsp = ddi_get_soft_state(rd_state, instance);
if (uiop->uio_offset >= rsp->ramsize)
    return (EINVAL);
```

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**Note** – Many data fault panics are the result of bad pointer references.

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### *Example: kadb on a Deadlocked Thread*

The next problem is that the system does not panic, but the `mkfs(1M)` command hangs and cannot be aborted. Though a core dump can be forced—by sending a break and then using `sync` from the OBP or using ‘g 0’ from SunMon—in this case `kadb(1M)` will be used. After logging in remotely and using `ps` (which indicated that only the `mkfs(1M)` process was hung, not the entire system) the system is shut down and booted using `kadb(1M)`.

```
ok boot kadb -d
Boot device: /sbus/esp@0,800000/sd@3,0   File and args: kadb -d
kadb:kernel/unix
Size: 673348+182896+46008 bytes
/platform/SUNW,Sun_4_75/kernel/unix ...
kadb[0]::c
SunOS Release 5.5 Version Generic [UNIX(R) System V Release 4.0]
Copyright (c) 1983-1995, Sun Microsystems, Inc.
...
```

After the rest of the kernel has loaded, `moddebug` is patched to see if loading is the problem. Since it got to `rd_write()` before, it is probably not the problem, but it will be checked regardless.

```
# ~stopped at 0xfbd01028: ta 0x7d
kadb[0]: moddebug/X
moddebug:
moddebug: 0
kadb[0]: moddebug/W 0x80000000
moddebug: 0x0 = 0x80000000
kadb[0]: :c
```

modload(1M) is used to load the driver, to separate module loading from the real access:

```
# modload /home/driver/drv/ramdisk
load `/usr/kernel/drv/ramdisk' id 61 loaded @ 0xff335000 size 3304
installing ramdisk, module id 61.
```

It loads fine, so loading is not the problem. The condition is recreated with mkfs(1M).

```
# mkfs -F ufs -o nsect=8,ntrack=8,free=5 /devices/pseudo/ramdisk@0:c,raw 1024
ramdisk0: misusing 524288 bytes of memory
```

It hangs. At this point, kadb(1M) is entered and the stack examined:

```
~stopped at 0xfbd01028: ta 0x7d
kadb[0]: $c
_end() + bc1eb40
debug_enter(0xfbd01000,0xff1a7054,0x0,0x0,0xb,0xff1a7000) + 88
zs_high_intr(0xff1a0230) + 19c
_level1(0xf0141ee0) + 404
idle(0x0,0x0,0x0,0xf0171ee0,0x0,0x1) + 28
```

In the previous example, the presence of idle on the current thread stack indicates that this thread is not the cause of the deadlock. To determine the deadlocked thread, the entire thread list is checked:

```
kadb[0]: $<threadlist
        thread_id f0141ee0
?(0xfbd01000,0xff1a7054,0x0,0x0,0xb,0xff1a7000)+ 1e
zs_high_intr(0xff1a0230) + 19c
_level1(0xf0141ee0) + 404
idle(0x0,0x0,0x0,0xf0171ee0,0x0,0x1) + 28
        thread_id f0165ee0
?(?) + 1e
cv_wait(0xf00e24e0,0xf00e24e0,0xff004000,0xb,0x0,0x4000e4)
callout_thread(0xff004090,0xf00d7d9a,0xf00e24e0,0xf00ac6c0,0x0,0xff004000) + 2c
        thread_id f016bee0
...
        thread_id ff11c600
?(?) + 1e
biowait(0xf01886d0,0x0,0x7fe00,0x200,0xf00e085c,0x3241c)
physio(0xff196120,0xf01886d0,0xf01888a4,0x3241c,0x0,0xf0188878)+ 338
rd_write(0x1180000,0xf0188878,0xff19b680,0xff19b680,0x2,0xff335884) + 8c
rdwr(0xff1505c0,0xf0188878,0xf0188918,0x0,0x0,0xff24dd04) + 138
rw(0xf0188e90,0xf0188918,0x2,0xf01888a4,0xf0188e90,0x3241c) + 11c
syscall(0xf00c1c54) + 4d4
```

Of all the threads, only one has a stack trace that references the ramdisk driver. It happens to be the last one. It seems that the process running `mkfs(1M)` is blocked in `biowait(9F)`. After a call to `physio(9F)`, `biowait(9F)` takes a `buf(9S)` structure as a parameter. The next step is to examine the `buf(9S)` structure:

```
kadb[0]: f01886d0$<buf
0xf01886d0: flags
        129
0xf01886d4: forw      back      av_forw  av_back
        ff24dd04    72616d64  69736b3a  302c7261
0xf01886e8: count    bufsize  error    edev
        512         770      0        1180000
0xf01886ec: addr     blkno    resid    proc
        3241c      3ff      0        ff26f000
0xf0188714: iodone   vp       pages
        0         f01888a4  effffff68
```

The `resid` field is 0, which indicates that the transfer is complete. `physio(9F)` is still blocked, however. The reference for `physio(9F)` in the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook* points out that `biodone(9F)` should be called to unblock `biowait(9F)`. This is the problem; `rd_strategy()` did not call `biodone(9F)`. Adding a call to `biodone(9F)` before returning fixes this problem.

## Testing

Once a device driver is functional, it should be thoroughly tested before it is distributed. In addition to the testing done to traditional UNIX device drivers, Solaris 2.x drivers require testing of Solaris 2.x features such as dynamic loading and unloading of drivers and multithreading.

### Configuration Testing

A driver's ability to handle multiple configurations is very important and is a part of the test process. Once the driver is working on a simple, or default, configuration, additional configurations should be tested. Depending on the device, this may be accomplished by changing jumpers or DIP switches. If the number of possible configurations is small, all of them should be tried. If the number is large, various classes of possible configurations should be defined, and a sampling of configurations from each class should be tested. The designation of such classes depends on how the different configuration parameters might interact, which in turn depends on the device and on how the driver was written.

For each configuration, the basic functions must be tested, which include loading, opening, reading, writing, closing, and unloading the driver. Any function that depends on the configuration deserves special attention. For example, changing the base memory address of device registers is not likely to affect the behavior of most driver functions; if the driver works well with one address, it is likely to work as well with a different address, providing the configuration code allows it to work at all. On the other hand, a special I/O control call may have different effects depending on the particular device configuration.

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Loading the driver with varying configurations assures that the `probe(9E)` and `attach(9E)` entry points can find the device at different addresses. For basic functional testing, using regular UNIX commands such as `cat(1)` or `dd(1M)` is usually sufficient for character devices. Mounting or booting may be required for block devices.

### *Functionality Testing*

After a driver has been run through configuration testing, all of its functionality should be thoroughly tested. This requires exercising the operation of all of the driver's entry points. In addition to the basic functional tests done in configuration testing, full functionality testing requires testing the rest of the entry points and functions to obtain confidence that the driver can correctly perform all of its functions.

Many drivers will require custom applications to test functionality, but basic drivers for devices such as disks, tapes, or asynchronous boards can be tested using standard system utilities. All entry points should be tested in this process, including `mmap(9E)`, `poll(9E)` and `ioctl(9E)`, if applicable. The `ioctl(9E)` tests may be quite different for each driver, and for nonstandard devices a custom testing application will be required.

### *Error Handling*

A driver may perform correctly in an ideal environment, but fail to handle cases where a device encounters an error or an application specifies erroneous operations or sends bad data to the driver. Therefore, an important part of driver testing is the testing of its error handling.

All of a driver's possible error conditions should be exercised, including error conditions for actual hardware malfunctions. Some hardware error conditions may be difficult to induce, but an effort should be made to cause them or to simulate them if possible. It should always be assumed that all of these conditions will be encountered in the field. Cables should be removed or loosened, boards should be removed, and erroneous user application code should be written to test those error paths.

## *Stress, Performance, and Interoperability Testing*

To help ensure that the driver performs well, it should be subjected to vigorous stress testing. Running single threads through a driver will not test any of the locking logic and might not test condition variable waits. Device operations should be performed by multiple processes at once in order to cause several threads to execute the same code simultaneously. The way this should be done depends on the driver; some drivers will require special testing applications, but starting several UNIX commands in the background will be suitable for others. It depends on where the particular driver uses locks and condition variables. Testing a driver on a multiprocessor machine is more likely to expose problems than testing on a single processor machine.

Interoperability between drivers must also be tested, particularly because different devices can share interrupt levels. If possible, configure another device at the same interrupt level as the one being tested. Then stress test the driver to determine if it correctly claims its own interrupts and otherwise operates according to expectations. Stress tests should be run on both devices at once. Even if the devices do not share an interrupt level, this test can still be valuable; for example, if serial communication devices start to experience errors while a network driver is being tested, this could indicate that the network driver is causing the rest of the system to encounter interrupt latency problems.

Driver performance under these stress tests should be measured using UNIX performance measuring tools. This can be as simple as using the `time(1)` command along with commands used for stress tests.

## *DDI/DKI Compliance Testing*

To assure compatibility with later releases and reliable support for the current release, every driver should be Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI compliant. One way to determine if the driver is compliant is by inspection. The driver can be visually inspected to ensure that only kernel routines and data structures specified in Sections 9F and 9S of the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook* are used.

The Solaris 2.5 Driver Developer Kit (DDK) now includes a DDI compliance tool (DDICT) that checks device driver C source code for non-DDI/DKI compliance and issues either error or warning messages when it finds non-compliant code. SunSoft recommends that all drivers be written to pass DDICT. After the DDK has been installed, the DDICT can be found in:

```
/opt/SUNWddk/driver_dev/bin/ddict
```

A new manual page describing DDICT is available in:

```
/opt/SUNWddk/driver_dev/ddict/man/man1/ddict.1
```

## *Installation and Packaging Testing*

Drivers are delivered to customers in *packages*. A package can be added and removed from the system using a standard, documented mechanism (see the *Solaris 2.5 Driver Developer Kit Installation Guide*).

Test that the driver has been correctly packaged to ensure that the end user will be able to add it to and remove it from a system. In testing, the package should be installed and removed from every type of media on which it will be released and on several system configurations. Packages must not make unwarranted assumptions about the directory environment of the target system. Certain valid assumptions, however, may be made about where standard kernel files are kept. It is a good idea to test the adding and removing of packages on newly-installed machines that have not been modified for a development environment. It is a common packaging error for a package to use a tool or file that exists only in a development environment, or only on the driver writer's own development system. For example, no tools from Source Compatibility package, SUNWscpu, should be used in driver installation programs.

The driver installation must be tested on a minimal Solaris system without any of the optional packages installed.

## *Testing Specific Types of Drivers*

Since each type of device is different, it is difficult to describe how to test them all specifically. This section provides some information about how to test certain types of standard devices.

### *Tape Drivers*

Tape drivers should be tested by performing several archive and restore operations. The `cpio(1)` and `tar(1)` commands may be used for this purpose. The `dd(1M)` command can be used to write an entire disk partition to tape, which can then be read back and written to another partition of the same size,

and the two copies compared. The `mt(1)` command will exercise most of the I/O controls that are specific to tape drivers (see `mtio(7i)`); all of the options should be attempted. The error handling of tape drivers can be tested by attempting various operations with the tape removed, attempting writes with the write protect on, and removing power during operations. Tape drivers typically implement exclusive-access `open(9E)` calls, which should be tested by having a second process try to open the device while a first process already has it open.

### *Disk Drivers*

Disk drivers should be tested in both the raw and block device modes. For block device tests, a new file system should be created on the device and mounted. Multiple file operations can be performed on the device at this time.

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**Note** – The file system uses a page cache, so reading the same file over and over again will not really be exercising the driver. The page cache can be forced to retrieve data from the device by memory mapping the file (with `mmap(2)`), and using `msync(2)` to invalidate the in-memory copies.

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Another (unmounted) partition of the same size can be copied to the raw device and then commands such as `fsck(1M)` can be used to verify the correctness of the copy. The new partition can also be mounted and compared to the old one on a file-by-file basis.

### *Asynchronous Communication Drivers*

Asynchronous drivers can be tested at the basic level by setting up a `login` line to the serial ports. A good start is if a user can log in on this line. To sufficiently test an asynchronous driver, however, all of the I/O control functions must be tested, and many interrupts at high speed must occur. A test involving a loopback serial cable and high data transfer rates will help determine the reliability of the driver. Running `uucp(1C)` over the line also provides some exercise; however, since `uucp(1C)` performs its own error handling, it is important to verify that the driver is not reporting excessive numbers of errors to the `uucp(1C)` process.

These types of devices are usually STREAMS based.



### *Network Drivers*

Network drivers may be tested using standard network utilities. `ftp(1)` and `rarp(1)` are useful because the files can be compared on each end of the network. The driver should be tested under heavy network loading, so various commands should be run by multiple processes. Heavy network loading means:

- There is a lot of traffic to the test machine.
- There is heavy traffic among all machines on the network.

Network cables should be unplugged while the tests are executing, and the driver should recover gracefully from the resulting error conditions. Another important test is for the driver to receive multiple packets in rapid succession (*back-to-back* packets). In this case, a relatively fast host on a lightly-loaded network should send multiple packets in quick succession to the test machine. It should be verified that the receiving driver does not drop the second and subsequent packets.

These types of devices are usually STREAMS based.

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**Note** – For additional information on debugging drivers, see the Sun whitepaper entitled *Hints for Driver Writers*. This paper is included in the Driver Development Kit (DDK).

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# *Converting a 4.x Device Driver to SunOS 5.5*

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This chapter is a guide to the differences between SunOS 4.x and SunOS 5.x device drivers. It can be used by developers to update relatively simple drivers intended to operate on the same platform under SunOS 5.5 that they operated on under SunOS 4.x.

Drivers that need to operate on multiple platforms, or drivers that intend to take advantage of features such as multithreading must be rethought and rewritten along the lines specified in the collective chapters of this manual.

## *Before Starting the Conversion*

### *Review Existing Functionality*

Make sure the driver's current functionality is well understood: the way it manages the hardware, and the interfaces it provides to applications (`ioctl(2)` states the device is put in for example). Maintain this functionality in the new driver.

### *Read the Manual*

This chapter is not a substitute for the rest of this book. Make sure you have access to the SunOS 5.5 Reference Manuals.

## ANSI C

The unbundled Sun C compiler is now ANSI C compliant. Most ANSI C changes are beyond the scope of this book. There are a number of good ANSI C books available from local bookstores. The following two books are good references:

- Kernighan and Ritchie, *The C Language*, Second Edition, 1988, Prentice-Hall
- Harbison and Steele, *C: A Reference Manual*, Second Edition, 1987, Prentice-Hall

## Development Environment

### DDI/DKI

The DDI/DKI is a new name for the routines formerly called “kernel support routines” in the SunOS 4.x Writing Device Drivers manual, and for the “well-known” entry points in the SunOS 4.x `cdevsw` and `bdevsw` structures. The intent is to specify a set of interfaces for drivers that provide a binary and source code interface. If a driver uses only kernel routines and structures described in *Section 9 of the Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*, it is called Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI-compliant. A Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI-compliant driver is likely to be binary compatible across Sun Solaris platforms with the same processor, and binary compatible with future releases of Solaris on platforms the driver works on.

### Things to Avoid

Many architecture-specific features have been hidden from driver writers behind DDI/DKI interfaces. Specific examples are elements of the `dev_info` structure, `user` structure, `proc` structure, and page tables. If the driver has been using unadvertised interfaces, it must be changed to use DDI/DKI interfaces that provide the required functionality. If the driver continues to use unadvertised interfaces, it loses all the source and binary compatibility features of the DDI/DKI. For example, previous releases had an undocumented routine called `as_fault()` that could be used to lock down user pages in memory. This routine still exists, but is not part of the DDI/DKI, so it should not be used. The only documented way to lock down user memory is to use `physio(9F)`.

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Do not use any undocumented fields of structures. Documented fields are in *Section 9S of the Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*. Do not use fields, structures, variables, or macros just because they are in a header file.

Dynamically allocate structures whenever possible. If `buf(9S)` structure is needed, do not declare one. Instead, declare a pointer to one, and call `getrbuf(9F)` to allocate it.

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**Note** – Even using `kmem_alloc(sizeof(struct buf))` is not allowed, since the size of a `buf(9S)` structure may change in future releases.

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## *System V Release 4*

SunOS 5.x is the Sun version of AT&T's System V Release 4 (SVR4). The system administration model is different from those in previous SunOS releases, which were more like 4.3 BSD. Differences important to device driver writers are:

- Halting and booting the machine (see the *Solaris 1.x to 2.x Transition Guide*).
- Kernel configuration (see Chapter 5, "Autoconfiguration").
- Software packaging (see the *Application Packaging Developer's Guide*).

For general SVR4 system administration information see the *Solaris 1.x to 2.x Transition Guide*.

## *Development Tools*

The only compiler that should be used to compile SunOS 5.x device drivers is the unbundled Sun C compiler. This is either part of SPARCworks 2.0.1 (for SPARC systems) or ProWorks 2.0.1 (for x86 systems). See Chapter 13, "Loading and Unloading Drivers" for information on how to compile and load a driver. Note that the compiler's `bin` directory (possibly `/opt/SUNWsprow/bin`) and the supporting tools directory (`/usr/ccs/bin`) should be prepended to the `PATH`. When compiling a driver, use the `-xa` and `-D_KERNEL` options.

When building a loadable driver module from the object modules, use `ld(1)` with the `-r` flag.

## *Debugging Tools*

`adb(1)`, `kadb(1M)`, and `crash(1M)` are essentially the same as they were in SunOS 4.x, though there are new macros. To debug a live kernel, use `/dev/ksyms` (see `ksyms(7)`) instead of the kernel name (which used to be `/vmunix`):

```
# adb -k /dev/ksyms /dev/mem
```

See “Debugging Tools” on page 323, for more information.

## *ANSI C*

The unbundled Sun C compiler is now ANSI C compliant. Two important ANSI C features device driver writers should use are the `volatile` keyword and function prototyping.

### *volatile*

`volatile` is a new ANSI C keyword. It is used to prevent the optimizer from removing what it thinks are unnecessary accesses to objects. All device registers should be declared `volatile`. As an example, if the device has a control register that requires two consecutive writes to get it to do something, the optimizer could decide that the first write is unnecessary since the value is unused if there is no intervening read access.

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**Note** – It is not an error to declare something `volatile` unnecessarily.

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### *Function Prototypes*

ANSI C provides function prototypes. This allows the compiler to check the type and number of arguments to functions, and avoids default argument promotions. To prototype functions, declare the type and name of each function in the function definition. Then, provide a prototype declaration (including at least the types) before the function is called.

Prototypes are provided for most DDI/DKI functions so many potentially fatal errors are now caught at compile time.

## Header Files

For Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI compliance, drivers are allowed to include only the kernel header files listed in the synopsis sections of *Section 9 of the Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook*. All allowed kernel header files are now located in the `/usr/include/sys` directory.

New header files all drivers must include are `<sys/ddi.h>` and `<sys/sunddi.h>`. These two headers *must* appear last in the list of kernel header include files.

## Overview of Changes

### Autoconfiguration

Under SunOS 4.1.2 or later, the system initialized all the drivers in the system before starting `init(8)`. The advent of loadable module technology allowed some device drivers to be added and removed manually at later times in the life of the system.

SunOS 5.X extends this idea to make every driver loadable, and to allow the system to automatically configure itself continually in response to the needs of applications. This, plus the unification of the “mb” style and Open Boot style autoconfiguration, has meant some significant changes to the `identify(9E)`, `probe(9E)`, and `attach(9E)` routines, and has added `detach(9E)`.

Because all device drivers are loadable, the kernel no longer needs to be recompiled and relinked to add a driver. The `config(8)` program has been replaced by Open Boot PROM information and supplemented by information in hardware configuration files (see `driver.conf(4)`).

### Changes to Routines

- The `xxinit()` routine for loadable modules in SunOS 4.x has been split into three routines. The `VDLOAD` case has become `_init(9E)`, the `VDUNLOAD` case has become `_fini(9E)`, and the `VDSTAT` case has become `_info(9E)`.
- It is no longer guaranteed that `identify(9E)` is called once before `attach(9E)`. It may now be called any number of times, and may be called at any time. *Do not count device units*. See `ddi_get_instance(9F)` for more information.

- The SunOS 5.x `probe(9E)` is not the same as `probe(9E)` in SunOS 4.x. It is called before `attach(9E)`, and may be called any number of times, so it must be stateless. If it allocates resources before it probes the device, it must deallocate them before returning (regardless of success or failure). `attach(9E)` will not be called unless `probe(9E)` succeeds.
- `attach(9E)` is called to allocate any resources the driver needs to operate the device. The system now assigns the instance number (previously known as the unit number) to the device.

The reason the rules are so stringent is that the implementation will change. If driver routines follow these rules, they will not be affected by changes to the implementation. If, however, they assume that the autoconfiguration routines are called only in a certain order (first `identify(9E)`, then `probe(9E)`, then `attach(9E)` for example), these drivers will break in some future release.

### *Instance Numbers*

In SunOS 4.x, drivers used to count the number of devices that they found, and assign a unit number to each (in the range 0 to the number of units found less one). Now, these are called instance numbers, and are assigned to devices by the system.

Instances can be thought of as a shorthand name for a particular instance of a device (`f000` could name instance 0 of device `f00`). They are assigned and remembered by the system, even after any number of reboots. This is because at `open(2)` time all the system has is a `dev_t`. To determine which device is needed (since it may need to be attached), the system needs to get the instance number (which the driver retrieves from the minor number).

The mapping between instance numbers and minor numbers (see `getinfo(9E)`) should be static. The driver should not require any state information to do the translation, since that information may not be available (the device may not be attached).

### `/devices`

All devices in the system are represented by a data structure in the kernel called the device tree. The `/devices` hierarchy is a representation of this tree in the file system.



In SunOS 4.x, special device files were created using `mknod` (or by an installation script running `mknod`) by the administrator. Now, entries are advertised to the kernel by device drivers calling `ddi_create_minor_node(9F)` once they have determined a particular device exists. `drvconfig(1M)` actually maintains the file system nodes. This results in names that completely identify the device.

## `/dev`

In SunOS 4.x, device special files lived (by convention) in `/dev`. Now that the `/devices` directory is used for special files, `/dev` is used for logical device names. Usually, these are symbolic links to the real names in `/devices`.

Logical names can be used for backwards compatibility with SunOS 4.X applications, a shorthand for the real `/devices` name, or a way to identify a device without having to know where it is in the `/devices` tree (`/dev/fb` could refer to a `cgsix`, `cgthree`, or `bwtwo` framebuffer, but the application does not need to know this).

See `disks(1M)`, `tapes(1M)`, `ports(1M)`, `devlinks(1M)`, and `/etc/devlink.tab` for system supported ways of creating these links. See Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration” and *Application Packaging Developer’s Guide* for more information.

## *Multithreading*

SunOS 5.x supports multiple *threads* in the kernel, and multiple CPUs. A thread is a sequence of instructions being executed by a program. In SunOS 5.x, there are application threads, and there are kernel threads. Kernel threads are used to execute kernel code, and are the threads of concern to the driver writer.

Interrupts are also handled as threads. Because of this, there is less of a distinction between the top-half and bottom-half of a driver than there was in SunOS 4.x. All driver code is executed by a thread, which may be running in parallel with threads in other (or the same) part of a driver. The distinction now is whether these threads have user context.

See Chapter 4, “Multithreading,” for more information.

## Locking

Under SunOS 4.1.2 or later, only one processor can be in the kernel at any one time. This is accomplished by using a *master lock* around the entire kernel. When a processor wants to execute kernel code, it needs to acquire the lock (this excludes other processors from running the code protected by the lock) and then release the lock when it is through. Because of this master lock, drivers written for uniprocessor systems did not change for multiprocessor systems. Two processors could not execute driver code at the same time.

In SunOS 5.x, instead of one master lock, there are many smaller locks that protect smaller regions of code. For example, there may be a kernel lock that protects access to a particular vnode, and one that protects an inode. Only one processor can be running code dealing with that vnode at a time, but another could be accessing an inode. This allows a greater degree of concurrency.

However, because the kernel is multithreaded, the possibility exists that two (or more) threads are in driver code at the same time.

1. One thread could be in an entry point, and another in the interrupt routine. The driver had to deal with this in SunOS 4.x, but with the restriction that the interrupt routine blocked the user context routine while it ran.
2. Two threads could be in a routine at the same time. This could not happen in SunOS 4.x.

Both of these cases are similar to situations present in SunOS 4.x, but now these threads could run at the *same time* on *different CPUs*. The driver must be prepared to handle these types of occurrences.

### *Mutual Exclusion Locks*

In SunOS 4.x, a driver had to be careful when accessing data shared between the top-half and the interrupt routine. Since the interrupt could occur asynchronously, the interrupt routine could corrupt data or simply hang. To prevent this, portions of the top half of the driver would raise, using the various `spl` routines, the interrupt priority level of the CPU to block the interrupt from being handled:

```
s = splr(pritospl(6));
/* access shared data */
(void)splx(s);
```

In SunOS 5.x, this no longer works. Changing the interrupt priority level of one CPU does not necessarily prevent another CPU from handling the interrupt. Also, two top-half routines may be running simultaneously with the interrupt running on a third CPU.

To solve this, SunOS 5.x provides:

1. A uniform module of execution—even interrupts run as threads. This blurs the distinction between the top-half and the bottom-half, as effectively every routine is a bottom-half routine.
2. A number of locking mechanisms – a common mechanism is to use mutual exclusion locks (mutexes):

```
mutex_enter(&mu);
/* access shared data */
mutex_exit(&mu);
```

A subtle difference from SunOS 4.X is that, because everything is run by kernel threads, the interrupt routine needs to explicitly acquire and release the mutex. In SunOS 4.x, this was implicit since the interrupt handler automatically ran at an elevated priority.

See “Locking Primitives” on page 82 for more information on locking.

## *Condition Variables*

In SunOS 4.X, when the driver wanted the current process to wait for something (such as a data transfer to complete), it called `sleep( )`, specifying a channel and a dispatch priority. The interrupt routine then called `wakeup( )` on that channel to notify all processes waiting on that channel that something happened. Since the interrupt could occur at any time, the interrupt priority was usually raised to ensure that the wakeup could not occur until the process was asleep.

*Code Example 14-1* SunOS 4.x synchronization method

```
int    busy; /* global device busy flag */
int xxread(dev, uio)
dev_t dev;
struct uio *uio;
{
    int    s;
```

```

        s = splr(pritospl(6));
        while (busy)
            sleep(&busy, PRIBIO + 1);
        busy = 1;
        (void)splx(s);
        /* do the read */
    }
int xxintr()
{
    busy = 0;
    wakeup(&busy);
}

```

SunOS 5.X provides similar functionality with condition variables. Threads are blocked on condition variables until they are notified that the condition has occurred. The driver must acquire a mutex which protects the condition variable before blocking the thread. The mutex is then released before the thread is blocked (similar to blocking/unblocking interrupts in SunOS 4.X)

*Code Example 14-2* Synchronization in SunOS 5.x similar to SunOS 4.x

```

int          busy;          /* global device busy flag */
kmutex_t    busy_mu;       /* mutex protecting busy flag */
kcondvar_t  busy_cv;       /* condition variable for busy flag */
static int
xxread(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    mutex_enter(&busy_mu);
    while (busy)
        cv_wait(&busy_cv, &busy_mu);
    busy = 1;
    mutex_exit(&busy_mu);
    /* do the read */
}
static u_int
xxintr(caddr_t arg)
{
    mutex_enter(&busy_mu);
    busy = 0;
    cv_broadcast(&busy_cv);
    mutex_exit(&busy_mu);
}

```

---

Like `wakeup()`, `cv_broadcast(9F)` unblocks all threads waiting on the condition variable. To wake up one thread, use `cv_signal(9F)` (there was no documented equivalent for `cv_signal(9F)` in SunOS 4.x).

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**Note** – There is no equivalent to the dispatch priority passed to `sleep()`.

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Though the `sleep()` and `wakeup()` calls exist, please do not use them, since the result would be an MT-unsafe driver.

See “Thread Synchronization” on page 85 for more information.

### *Catching Signals*

There is always the possibility that either the driver accidentally waits for an event that will never occur, or the event will not happen for a long time. In either case, the user may want to abort the process by sending it a signal (or typing a character that causes a signal to be sent to the process). Whether the signal causes the driver to wake up depends on the driver.

In SunOS 4.x, whether the `sleep()` was signal-interruptible depended on the dispatch priority passed to `sleep()`. If the priority was greater than `PZERO`, the driver was signal-interruptible, otherwise the driver would not be awakened by a signal. Normally, a signal interrupt caused `sleep()` to return back to the user, without letting the driver know the signal had occurred. Drivers that needed to release resources before returning to the user passed the `PCATCH` flag to `sleep()`, then looked at the return value of `sleep()` to determine why they awoke:

```
while (busy) {
    if (sleep(&busy, PCATCH | (PRIBIO + 1))) {
        /* awakened because of a signal */
        /* free resources */
        return (EINTR);
    }
}
```

In SunOS 5.x, the driver can use `cv_wait_sig(9F)` to wait on the condition variable, but be signal interruptible. Note that `cv_wait_sig(9F)` returns zero to indicate the return was due to a signal, but `sleep()` in SunOS 4.x returned a nonzero value:

```
while (busy) {
    if (cv_wait_sig(&busy_cv, &busy_mu) == 0) {
        /* returned because of signal */
        /* free resources */
        return (EINTR);
    }
}
```

`cv_timedwait( )`

Another solution drivers used to avoid blocking on events that would not occur was to set a timeout before the call to sleep. This timeout would occur far enough in the future that the event should have happened, and if it did run it would awaken the blocked process. The driver would then see if the timeout function had run, and return some sort of error.

This can still be done in SunOS 5.x, but the same thing may be accomplished with `cv_timedwait(9F)`. An absolute time to wait for is passed to `cv_timedwait(9F)`, and which will return zero if the time is reached and the event has not occurred. See Code Example 4-3 on page 89 for an example usage of `cv_timedwait(9F)`. Also see “Using `cv_wait_sig(9F)`” on page 90 for information on `cv_timedwait_sig(9F)`.

## *Other Locks*

Semaphores and readers/writers locks are also available. See `semaphore(9F)` and `rwlock(9F)`.

## *Lock Granularity*

Generally, start with one, and add more depending on the abilities of the device. See “Choosing a Locking Scheme” on page 91 and Appendix F, “Advanced Topics,” for more information.

## *Interrupts*

In SunOS 4.x, two distinct methods were used for handling interrupts.

- Polled, or autovector, interrupts were handled by calling the `xxpoll( )` routine of the device driver. This routine was responsible for checking all drivers’ active units.

- Vectored interrupt handlers were called directly in response to a particular hardware interrupt on the basis of the interrupt vector number assigned to the device.

In SunOS 5.x, the interrupt handler model has been unified. The device driver registers an interrupt handler for each device instance, and the system either polls all the handlers for the currently active interrupt level, or calls that handler directly (if it is vectored). The driver no longer needs to care which type of interrupt mechanism is in use (in the handler).

`ddi_add_intr(9F)` is used to register a handler with the system. A driver-defined argument of type `caddr_t` to pass to the interrupt handler. The address of the state structure is a good choice. The handler can then cast the `caddr_t` to whatever was passed. See “Registering Interrupts” on page 120 and “Responsibilities of an Interrupt Handler” on page 121 for more information.

## DMA

In SunOS 4.x, to do a DMA transfer the driver mapped a buffer into the DMA space, retrieved the DMA address and programmed the device, did the transfer, then freed the mapping. This was accomplished in a sequence like:

1. `mb_mapalloc()` - map buffer into DMA space
2. `MBI_ADDR()` - retrieve address from returned cookie
3. program the device and start the DMA
4. `mb_mapfree()` - free mapping when DMA is complete

The first three usually occurred in a `start()` routine, and the last in the interrupt routine.

The SunOS 5.x DMA model is similar, but it has been extended. The goal of the new DMA model is to abstract the platform dependent details of DMA away from the driver. A sliding DMA window has been added for drivers that want to do DMA to large objects, and the DMA routines can be informed of device limitations (such as 24-bit addressing).

The sequence for DMA is as follows: Allocate a DMA handle using `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)`. The DMA handle can be reused for subsequent DMA transfers. Then commit DMA resources using either

`ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` or `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)`, retrieve the DMA address from the DMA cookie to do the DMA, then free the mapping with `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)`. The new sequence is something like this:

1. `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)` - allocate a DMA handle
2. `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` - allocate DMA resources and retrieve address from the returned cookie
3. *program the device and start the DMA*
4. *Perform the transfer.*

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**Note** - If the transfer involves several windows, you can call `ddi_dma_getwin(9F)` to move to subsequent windows.

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5. `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)` - free mapping when DMA is complete
6. `ddi_dma_free_handle(9F)` - free DMA handle [when no longer needed]

Additional routines have been added to synchronize any underlying caches and buffers, and handle IOPB memory. See Chapter 7, “DMA” for details.

In addition, in SunOS 4.x, the driver had to inform the system that it might do DMA, either through the `mb_driver` structure or with a call to `adddma()`. This was needed because the kernel might want to block interrupts to prevent DMA, but needed to know the highest interrupt level to block. Because the new implementation uses mutexes, this is no longer needed.

## Conversion Notes

`identify()`

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxidentify(name)
char *name;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxidentify(dev_info_t *dip)
```



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The *name* property is no longer passed to `identify(9E)`. `ddi_get_name(9F)` must be used to retrieve the name from the `dev_info_t` pointer argument.

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**Note** – The unit counting is now handled by the framework. To get the unit number in any routine, call `ddi_get_instance(9F)`. *Do not count units anywhere.*

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`identify(9E)` is no longer guaranteed to be called for all units before `attach(9E)` is ever called. However, `identify(9E)` is guaranteed to be called before `attach(9E)` on a per-instance basis.

`probe()`

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxprobe(reg, unit)
caddr_t reg;
int unit;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxprobe(dev_info_t *dip)
```

`probe(9E)` is still expected to determine if a device is there or not, but now it may be called any number of times, so it must be *stateless* (free anything it allocates).

`attach()`

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```
int xxattach(md)          int xxattach(devinfo)
struct mb_device *md;     struct dev_info *devinfo;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
```

As noted in `identify(9E)`, drivers are not allowed to count instances anywhere. Use `ddi_get_instance(9F)` to get the assigned instance number.

`new_kmem_alloc()` and `new_kmem_zalloc()` have become `kmem_alloc(9F)` and `kmem_zalloc(9F)`. In SunOS 4.x sleep flags were `KMEM_SLEEP` and `KMEM_NOSLEEP`; now they are `KM_SLEEP` and `KM_NOSLEEP`. Consider using

`KM_SLEEP` only on small requests, as larger requests could deadlock the driver if there is not (or there will not be) enough memory. Instead, use `KM_NOSLEEP`, possibly shrink the request, and try again.

Any required memory should be dynamically allocated, as the driver should handle all occurrences of its device rather than a fixed number of them (if possible). Instead of statically allocating an array of controller state structures, each should now be allocated dynamically.

Remember to call `ddi_create_minor_node(9F)` for each minor device name that should be visible to applications.

The module loading process turns the information in any `driver.conf(4)` file into properties. Information which used to pass in the `config` file (such as *flags*) should now be passed as properties.

`getinfo()`

SunOS 5.x:

```
int xxgetinfo(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_info_cmd_t cmd,
void *arg, void **resultp)
```

Make sure that the minor number to instance number and the reverse translation is static, since `getinfo(9E)` may be called when the device is not attached. For example:

```
#define XXINST(dev) (getminor(dev) >> 3)
```

This is a required entry point; it cannot be replaced with `nulldev(9F)` or `nodev(9F)`.

`open()`

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxopen(dev, flag)
dev_t dev;
int flag;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
```

The first argument to `open(9E)` is a *pointer* to a `dev_t`. The rest of the `cb_ops(9S)` routines receive a `dev_t`.

Verify that the open type is one that the driver actually supports. This is normally `OTYP_CHR` for character devices, or `OTYP_BLK` for block devices. This prevents the driver from allowing future open types that it does not support.

If the driver used to check for root privileges using `suser()`, it should now use `driv_priv(9F)` instead on the passed credential pointer.

`psize()`

This entry point does not exist. Instead, block devices should support the *nblocks* property. This property may be created in `attach(9E)` if its value will not change. A `prop_op(9E)` entry point may be required if the value cannot be determined at attach time (such as if the device supports removable media). See “Properties” on page 69 for more information.

`read()` **and** `write()`

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxread(dev, uio)
int xxwrite(dev, uio)
dev_t dev;
struct uio *uio;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxread(dev_t dev, uio_t *uiop, cred_t *credp);
int xxwrite(dev_t dev, uio_t *uiop, cred_t *credp);
```

`physio(9F)` should no longer be called with the address of a statically allocated `buf(9S)` structure. Instead, pass a `NULL` pointer as the second argument, which causes `physio(9F)` to allocate a `buf` structure. The address of the allocated `buf` structure should always be saved in `strategy(9E)`, since it is needed to call `biodone(9F)`. An alternative is to use `getrbuf(9F)` to allocate the `buf(9S)` structure, and `freerbuf(9F)` to free it.

`ioctl()`

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxioctl(dev, cmd, data, flag)
dev_t dev;
int cmd, flag;
caddr_t data;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxioctl(dev_t dev, int cmd, int arg, int mode,
            cred_t *credp, int *rvalp);
```

In SunOS 4.x, `ioctl()` command arguments were defined as follows:

```
#define XXIOCTL1  _IOR(m, 1, u_int)
```

The `_IOR()`, `_IOW()`, and `_IOWR()` macros used to encode the direction and size of the data transfer. The kernel would then automatically copy the data into or out of the kernel. *This is no longer the case.* To do a data transfer, the driver is now required to use `ddi_copyin(9F)` and `ddi_copyout(9F)` explicitly. Do not dereference `arg` directly.

In addition, use the new method of a left-shifted letter OR-ed with number:

```
#define XXIOC      ('x' << 8)
#define XXIOCTL1  (XXIOC | 1)
```

The credential pointer can be used to check credentials on the call (with `drv_priv(9F)`), and the return value pointer can be used to return a value which means something (as opposed to the old method of always getting zero back for success). This number should be positive to avoid confusion with applications that check for `ioctl(2)` returning a negative value for failure.

```
strategy()
```

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxstrategy(buf)
struct buf *bp;
```

SunOS 5.x

```
int xxstrategy(struct buf *bp);
```

Retrieving the minor number from the `b_dev` field of the `buf(9S)` structure no longer works (or will work occasionally, and fail in new and interesting ways at other times). Use the `b_edev` field instead.

If the driver used to allocate buffers uncached, it should now use `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` whenever consistent view of the buffer is required.

```
mmap()
```

SunOS 4.x:

```
int xxmmap(dev, off, prot)
dev_t dev;
off_t off;
int prot;
```

### SunOS 5.x

```
int xxmmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot);
```

Building a page table entry manually is no longer allowed. The driver must use `hat_getkpfnum(9F)` to retrieve the PTE information from a virtual address. See “Mapping Device Memory” on page 177 for more information.

If the driver used to check for root privileges using `suser()`, it should now use `drv_priv(9F)`. Because there is no credential pointer passed to `mmap(9E)`, the driver must use `ddi_get_cred(9F)` to retrieve the credential pointer.

```
chpoll()
```

`chpoll(9E)` is similar in operation to `select()`, but there are more conditions that can be examined. See “Multiplexing I/O on File Descriptors” on page 180, for details.

## SunOS 4.1.x to SunOS 5.5 Differences

This table compares device driver routines on SunOS 4.1.x versus SunOS 5.5. It is not a table of equivalences. That is, simply changing from the function in column one to the function (or group of functions) in column two is not always sufficient. If the 4.1.x driver used a function in column one, read about the function in column two before changing any code.

*Table A-1* SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines

SunOS 4.1.x	SunOS 5.5	Description
ASSERT()	ASSERT()	expression verification
CDELAY()	-	conditional busy-wait
DELAY()	drv_usecwait()	busy-wait for specified interval
OTHERQ()	OTHERQ()	get pointer to queue’s partner queue
RD()	RD()	get pointer to the read queue
WR()	WR()	get pointer to the write queue

*Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines*

<b>SunOS 4.1.x</b>	<b>SunOS 5.5</b>	<b>Description</b>
<code>add_intr()</code>	<code>ddi_add_intr()</code>	add an interrupt handler
<code>adjmsg()</code>	<code>adjmsg()</code>	trim bytes from a message
<code>allocb()</code>	<code>allocb()</code>	allocate a message block
<code>backq()</code>	<code>backq()</code>	get pointer to queue behind the current queue
<code>bcmp()</code>	<code>bcmp()</code>	compare two byte arrays
<code>bcopy()</code>	<code>bcopy()</code>	copy data between address locations in kernel
<code>biodone()</code>	<code>biodone()</code>	indicate I/O is complete
<code>iodone()</code>		
<code>biowait()</code>	<code>biowait()</code>	wait for I/O to complete
<code>iowait()</code>		
<code>bp_mapin()</code>	<code>bp_mapin()</code>	allocate virtual address space
<code>bp_mapout()</code>	<code>bp_mapout()</code>	deallocate virtual address space
<code>brelease()</code>	<code>brelease()</code>	return buffer to the free list
<code>btodb()</code>	-	convert bytes to disk sectors
<code>btop()</code>	<code>btop()</code> <code>ddi_btop()</code>	convert size in bytes to size in pages (round down)
<code>btopr()</code>	<code>btopr()</code> <code>ddi_btopr()</code>	convert size in bytes to size in pages (round up)
<code>bufcall()</code>	<code>bufcall()</code>	call a function when a buffer becomes available
<code>bzero()</code>	<code>bzero()</code>	zero out memory
<code>canput()</code>	<code>canput()</code>	test for room in a message queue
<code>clrbuf()</code>	<code>clrbuf()</code>	erase the contents of a buffer
<code>copyb()</code>	<code>copyb()</code>	copy a message block
<code>copyin()</code>	<code>ddi_copyin()</code>	copy data from a user program to a driver buffer
<code>copymsg()</code>	<code>copymsg()</code>	copy a message

*Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines*

<b>SunOS 4.1.x</b>	<b>SunOS 5.5</b>	<b>Description</b>
copyout()	ddi_copyout()	copy data from a driver to a user program
datamsg()	datamsg()	test whether a message is a data message
delay()	delay()	delay execution for a specified number of clock ticks
disksort()	disksort()	single direction elevator seek sort for buffers
dupb()	dupb()	duplicate a message block descriptor
dupmsg()	dupmsg()	duplicate a message
enableok()	enableok()	reschedule a queue for service
esballoc()	esballoc()	allocate a message block using caller-supplied buffer
esbbcall()	esbbcall()	call function when buffer is available
ffs()	ddi_ffs()	find first bit set in a long integer
fls()	ddi_fls()	find last bit set in a long integer
flushq()	flushq()	remove messages from a queue
free_pktiopb()	scsi_free_consistent_buf()	free a SCSI packet in the iopb map
freeb()	freeb()	free a message block
freemsg()	freemsg()	free all message blocks in a message
get_pktiopb()	scsi_alloc_consistent_buf() )	allocate a SCSI packet in the iopb map
geterror()	geterror()	get buffer's error number
getlongprop()	ddi_getlongprop()	get arbitrary size property information
getprop()	ddi_getprop()	get boolean and integer property information
getproplen()	ddi_getproplen()	get property information length
getq()	getq()	get the next message from a queue
gsignal()	-	send signal to process group
hat_getkpfnum()	hat_getkpfnum()	get page frame number for kernel address

*Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines*

<b>SunOS 4.1.x</b>	<b>SunOS 5.5</b>	<b>Description</b>
<code>index()</code>	<code>strchr()</code>	return pointer to first occurrence of character in string
<code>insq()</code>	<code>insq()</code>	insert a message into a queue
<code>kmem_alloc()</code>	<code>kmem_alloc()</code>	allocate space from kernel free memory
<code>kmem_free()</code>	<code>kmem_free()</code>	free previously allocated kernel memory
<code>kmem_zalloc()</code>	<code>kmem_zalloc()</code>	allocate and clear space from kernel free memory
<code>linkb()</code>	<code>linkb()</code>	concatenate two message blocks
<code>log()</code>	<code>strlog()</code>	log kernel errors
<code>machineid()</code>	-	get host ID from EPROM
<code>major()</code>	<code>getmajor()</code>	get major device number
<code>makecom_g0()</code>	<code>makecom_g0()</code>	make packet for SCSI group 0 commands
<code>makecom_g0_s()</code>	<code>makecom_g0_s()</code>	make packet for SCSI group 0 sequential commands
<code>makecom_g1()</code>	<code>makecom_g1()</code>	make packet for SCSI group 1 commands
<code>makecom_g5()</code>	<code>makecom_g5()</code>	make packet for SCSI group 5 commands
<code>mapin()</code> <code>map_regs()</code>	<code>ddi_regs_map_setup()</code>	map physical to virtual space
<code>mapout()</code> <code>unmap_regs()</code>	<code>ddi_regs_map_free()</code>	remove physical to virtual mappings
<code>max()</code>	<code>max()</code>	return the larger of two integers
<code>mb_mapalloc()</code>	<code>ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle()</code>	setup system DMA resources and retrieve DMA address
<code>mb_mapfree()</code>	<code>ddi_dma_unbind_handle()</code>	release system DMA resources
<code>mballoc()</code>	-	allocate a main bus buffer
<code>mbrelease()</code>	-	free main bus resources
<code>mbsetup()</code>	-	set up use of main bus resources
<code>min()</code>	<code>min()</code>	return the lesser of two integers
<code>minor()</code>	<code>getminor()</code>	get minor device number



Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines

SunOS 4.1.x	SunOS 5.5	Description
minphys()	minphys()	limit transfer request size to system maximum
mp_nbmapalloc()	ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle()	setup system DMA resources and retrieve DMA address
MBI_ADDR()	-	retrieve DMA address
msgdsize()	msgdsize()	return the number of bytes in a message
nodev()	nodev()	error function returning ENXIO
noenable()	noenable()	prevent a queue from being scheduled
nulldev()	nulldev()	function returning zero
ovbcopy()	-	copy overlapping byte memory regions
panic()	cmn_err()	reboot at fatal error
peek()	ddi_peek()	read a short value from a location
peekc()	ddi_peekc()	read a byte value from a location
peekl()	ddi_peekl()	read a long value from a location
physio()	physio()	limit transfer request size
pkt_transport()	scsi_transport()	request by a SCSI target driver to start a command
poke()	ddi_pokes()	write a short value to a location
pokec()	ddi_pokec()	write a byte value to a location
pokel()	ddi_pokel()	write a long value to a location
printf()	cmn_err()	display an error message or panic the system
pritospl()	-	convert priority level
psignal()	-	send a signal to a process
ptob()	ptob() ddi_ptob()	convert size in pages to size in bytes
pullupmsg()	pullupmsg()	concatenate bytes in a message
put()	put()	call a STREAMS put procedure
putbq()	putbq()	place a message at the head of a queue

*Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines*

<b>SunOS 4.1.x</b>	<b>SunOS 5.5</b>	<b>Description</b>
putctl()	putctl()	send a control message to a queue
putctl1()	putctl1()	send a control message with one-byte parameter to a queue
putnext()	putnext()	send a message to the next queue
putq()	putq()	put a message on a queue
qenable()	qenable()	enable a queue
qreply()	qreply()	send a message on a stream in the reverse direction
qsize()	qsize()	find the number of messages on a queue
remintr()	ddi_remove_intr()	remove an interrupt handler
report_dev()	ddi_report_dev()	announce a device
rmalloc()	rmallocmap() rmalloc()	allocate resource map allocate space from a resource map
rmalloc(iopbmap)	ddi_iopb_alloc()	allocate consistent memory
rmfree()	rmfreemap() rmfree()	free resource map free space back into a resource map
rmfree(iopbmap)	ddi_iopb_free()	free consistent memory
rmvb()	rmvb()	remove a message block from a message
rmvq()	rmvq()	remove a message from a queue
scsi_abort()	scsi_abort()	abort a SCSI command
scsi_dmafree()	scsi_destroy_pkt()	free DMA resources for SCSI command
scsi_dmaget()	scsi_init_pkt()	allocate DMA resources for SCSI command
scsi_ifgetcap()	scsi_ifgetcap()	get SCSI transport capability
scsi_ifsetcap()	scsi_ifsetcap()	set SCSI transport capability
scsi_pktalloc()	scsi_pktalloc()	allocate packet resources for SCSI command
scsi_pktfree()	scsi_pktfree()	free packet resources for SCSI command
scsi_poll()	scsi_poll()	run a polled SCSI command

*Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines*

<b>SunOS 4.1.x</b>	<b>SunOS 5.5</b>	<b>Description</b>
<code>scsi_realloc()</code>	<code>scsi_init_pkt()</code>	prepare a complete SCSI packet
<code>scsi_reset()</code>	<code>scsi_reset()</code>	reset a SCSI bus or target
<code>scsi_resfree()</code>	<code>scsi_destroy_pkt()</code>	free an allocated SCSI packet
<code>scsi_slave()</code>	<code>scsi_probe()</code>	probe for a SCSI target
<code>selwakeup()</code>	<code>pollwakeup()</code>	inform a process that an event has occurred
<code>slaveslot()</code>	<code>ddi_slaveonly()</code>	tell if device is installed in a slave-only slot
<code>sleep()</code>	<code>cv_wait()</code>	suspend calling thread and exit mutex atomically
<code>spln()</code>	<code>mutex_enter()</code>	set CPU priority level
<code>splr()</code>	<code>mutex_exit()</code>	reset priority level
<code>splx()</code>		
<code>splstr()</code>	-	set processor level for STREAMS
<code>strcmp()</code>	<code>strcmp()</code>	compare two null-terminated strings
<code>strcpy()</code>	<code>strcpy()</code>	copy a string from one location to another
<code>suser()</code>	<code>drv_priv()</code>	verify superuser
<code>swab()</code>	<code>swab()</code>	swap bytes in 16-bit halfwords
<code>testb()</code>	<code>testb()</code>	check for an available buffer
<code>timeout()</code>	<code>timeout()</code>	execute a function after a specified length of time
<code>uiomove()</code>	<code>uiomove()</code>	copy kernel data using uio(9S) structure
<code>unbufcall()</code>	<code>unbufcall()</code>	cancel an outstanding bufcall request
<code>unlinkb()</code>	<code>unlinkb()</code>	remove a message block from the head of a message
<code>untimeout()</code>	<code>untimeout()</code>	cancel previous timeout function call
<code>uprintf()</code>	<code>cmn_err()</code>	kernel print to controlling terminal
<code>ureadc()</code>	<code>ureadc()</code>	add character to a uio structure

*Table A-1 SunOS 4.1.x and SunOS 5.4 Kernel Support Routines*

<b>SunOS 4.1.x</b>	<b>SunOS 5.5</b>	<b>Description</b>
<code>useracc()</code>	<code>useracc()</code>	verify whether user has access to memory
<code>usleep()</code>	<code>drv_usecwait</code>	busy-wait for specified interval
<code>uwritec()</code>	<code>uwritec()</code>	remove a character from a uio structure
<code>wakeup()</code>	<code>cv_broadcast()</code>	signal condition and wake all blocked threads

## *Interface Transition List*

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This appendix presents a list of DDI/DKI data access interface functions that have changed from Solaris 2.4 to Solaris 2.5. The Solaris 2.4 interfaces are maintained for binary and source compatibility. The appendix also presents data access functions new to Solaris 2.5. The functions are grouped as follows:

### *Data Access Methods*

- Device Access Attributes Structure
- CPU Device Access
- Device Access Functions
- Common Device Access Functions
- Other Device Access Functions

### *DMA Data Access*

- DMA Attributes Structure
- DMA Memory Access
- DMA Device Binding

### *SCSI HBA DMA Management*

### *Device Memory Mapping*

- Default Context Management
- Custom Context Management

## Open Boot PROM Device Properties

- Property Access Functions

## Data Access Methods

### Device Access Attributes Structure

Table B-1 Transition list for device access attributes structure

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
—	ddi_device_acc_attr(9S)

### CPU Device Access

Table B-2 Transition list for CPU device access functions

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
ddi_map_regs(9F)	ddi_regs_map_setup(9F)
ddi_unmap_regs(9F)	ddi_regs_map_free(9F)
—	pci_config_setup(9F)
—	pci_config_teardown(9F)

### Device Access Functions

Table B-3 Transition list for device access functions

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	pci_config_getb(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	pci_config_getw(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	pci_config_getl(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	pci_config_getll(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	pci_config_putb(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	pci_config_putw(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	pci_config_putl(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	pci_config_putll(9F)

Table B-3 Transition list for device access functions

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
inb(9F)	ddi_io_getb(9F)
inw(9F)	ddi_io_getw(9F)
inl(9F)	ddi_io_getl(9F)
outb(9F)	ddi_io_putb(9F)
outw(9F)	ddi_io_putw(9F)
outl(9F)	ddi_io_putl(9F)
repinsb(9F)	ddi_io_rep_getb(9F)
repinsw(9F)	ddi_io_rep_getw(9F)
repinsd(9F)	ddi_io_rep_getl(9F)
repoutsb(9F)	ddi_io_rep_putb(9F)
repoutsw(9F)	ddi_io_rep_putw(9F)
repoutsd(9F)	ddi_io_rep_putl(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_mem_getb(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_mem_getw(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_mem_getl(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_mem_getll(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_mem_putb(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_mem_putw(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_mem_putl(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_mem_putll(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_getb(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_getw(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_getl(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_getll(9F)

Table B-3 Transition list for device access functions

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_putb(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_putw(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_putl(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_mem_rep_putll(9F)

### Common Device Access Functions

Table B-4 Transition list for common device access functions

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_getb(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_getw(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_getl(9F)
<i>native processor load instruction</i>	ddi_getll(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_putb(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_putw(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_putl(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_putll(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_rep_getb(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_rep_getw(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_rep_getl(9F)
<i>native processor load instructions</i>	ddi_rep_getll(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_rep_putb(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_rep_putw(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_rep_putl(9F)
<i>native processor store instructions</i>	ddi_rep_putll(9F)



## Other Device Access Functions

Table B-5 Transition list for other device access functions

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
<i>native processor load and store instructions</i>	ddi_device_copy(9F)
<i>native processor store instruction</i>	ddi_device_zero(9F)

## DMA Device Access

### DMA Attributes Structure

Table B-6 Transition list for DMA attributes structure

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
ddi_dma_lim(9S)	ddi_dma_attr(9S)
ddi_dma_lim_sparc(9S)	ddi_dma_attr(9S)
ddi_dma_lim_x86(9S)	ddi_dma_attr(9S)
ddi_dmae_getlim(9F)	ddi_dmae_getattr(9F)

### DMA Memory Access

Table B-7 Transition list for DMA memory access

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
ddi_iopb_alloc(9F)	ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F) ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)
ddi_iopb_free(9F)	ddi_dma_mem_free(9F) ddi_dma_free_handle(9F)
ddi_mem_alloc(9F)	ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F) ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)
ddi_mem_free(9F)	ddi_dma_mem_free(9F) ddi_dma_free_handle(9F)

## DMA Device Binding

Table B-8 Transition list for DMA device binding

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
	ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)
ddi_dma_addr_setup(9F)	ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)
	ddi_dma_set_sbus64(9F)
ddi_dma_htoc(9F)	
	ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)
ddi_dma_buf_setup(9F)	ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)
	ddi_dma_set_sbus64(9F)
ddi_dma_htoc(9F)	
ddi_dma_free(9F)	ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)
	ddi_dma_free_handle(9F)
ddi_dma_req(9S)	—
ddi_dma_setup(9F)	—
ddi_dma_nextwin(9F)	ddi_dma_numwin(9F)
ddi_dma_nextwin(9F)	di_dma_getwin(9F)
ddi_dma_nextseg(9F)	
ddi_dma_segtocookie(9F)	ddi_dma_nextcookie(9F)

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## SCSI HBA DMA Management

*Table B-9* Transition list for SCSI HBA DMA management

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
<code>scsi_hba_attach(9F)</code>	<code>scsi_hba_attach_setup(9F)</code>

## Device Memory Mapping

### Device Context Management

#### Default Context Management

*Table B-10* Transition list for default context management

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
<code>ddi_segmap(9F)</code>	<code>ddi_segmap_setup(9F)</code>

#### Custom Context Management

*Table B-11* Transition list for custom context management

<b>Solaris 2.4 Interface</b>	<b>Solaris 2.5 Interface</b>
<code>ddi_mapdev(9F)</code>	<code>ddi_mapdev(9F)</code>
	<code>ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr(9F)</code>

## Open Boot PROM Device Properties

### Property Access Functions

Table B-12 Transition list for property access functions

Solaris 2.4 Interface	Solaris 2.5 Interface
ddi_getprop(9F)	ddi_prop_exists(9F)
ddi_getprop(9F)	ddi_prop_get_int(9F)
ddi_prop_create(9F)	ddi_prop_update_byte_array(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_int(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_int_array(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_string(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_string_array(9F)
ddi_prop_modify(9F)	ddi_prop_update_byte_array(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_int(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_int_array(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_string(9F)
	ddi_prop_update_string_array(9F)
ddi_getlongprop(9F)	ddi_prop_lookup_byte_array(9F)
	ddi_prop_lookup_int_array(9F)
	ddi_prop_lookup_string(9F)
	ddi_prop_lookup_string_array(9F)
kmem_free(9F)— <i>This function is only deprecated when used with property retrieval functions.</i>	ddi_prop_free(9F)
ddi_getlongprop_buf(9F)	—
ddi_prop_undefine(9F)	—
ddi_getproplen(9F)	—
ddi_prop_op(9F)	—

# Summary of Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI Services



This chapter discusses, by category, the interfaces provided by the Solaris 2.5 DDI/DKI. After each category is introduced, each function in that category is listed with a brief description. These descriptions should not be considered complete or definitive, nor do they provide a thorough guide to usage. The descriptions are intended to describe what the functions do in general terms, and what the arguments and return values mean. See the manual pages for more detailed information. The categories are:

<i>buf(9S) Handling</i>	<i>page 388</i>
<i>Copying Data</i>	<i>page 391</i>
<i>Device Access</i>	<i>page 392</i>
<i>Device Configuration</i>	<i>page 393</i>
<i>Device Information</i>	<i>page 394</i>
<i>DMA Handling</i>	<i>page 395</i>
<i>Flow of Control</i>	<i>page 405</i>
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<i>Kernel Statistics</i>	<i>page 405</i>
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STREAMS interfaces are not discussed here; to learn more about network drivers, see the *STREAMS Programming Guide*.

## buf(9S) Handling

These interfaces manipulate the buf(9S) data structure. It is used to encode block I/O transfer requests, but some character drivers also use buf(9S) to encode character I/O requests with physio(9F). Drivers that use buf(9S) as their primary means of encoding I/O requests have to implement a strategy(9E) routine. See Chapter 9, “Drivers for Block Devices,” and Chapter 8, “Drivers for Character Devices” for more information.

**void biodone(struct buf \*bp);**

biodone(9F) marks the I/O described by the buf(9S) structure pointed to by bp as complete by setting the B\_DONE flag in bp->b\_flags. biodone(9F) then notifies any threads waiting in biowait(9F) for this buffer. Call biodone(9F) on bp when the I/O request it encodes is finished.

**void bioerror(struct buf \*bp, int error);**

bioerror(9F) marks the error bits in the I/O described by the buf(9S) structure pointed to by bp with error.

```
void bioreset(struct buf *bp);
```

`bioreset(9F)` is used to reset the `buf(9S)` structure pointed to by `bp` allowing a device driver to reuse privately allocated buffers. `bioreset(9F)` resets the buffer header to its initially allocated state.

```
int biowait(struct buf *bp);
```

`biowait(9F)` suspends the calling thread until the I/O request described by `bp` completes. A call to `biodone(9F)` unblocks the waiting thread. Usually, if a driver does synchronous I/O, it calls `biowait(9F)` in its `strategy(9E)` routine, and calls `biodone(9F)` in its interrupt handler when the request is complete.

`biowait(9F)` is usually not called by the driver, instead it is called by `physio(9F)`, or by the file system after calling `strategy(9F)`. The driver is responsible for calling `biodone(9F)` when the I/O request is complete.

```
void bp_mapin(struct buf *bp);
```

`bp_mapin(9F)` maps the data buffer associated with the `buf(9S)` structure pointed to by `bp` into the kernel virtual address space so the driver can access it. Programmed I/O device drivers often use `bp_mapin(9F)` because they have to transfer data explicitly between the `buf(9S)` structure's buffer and a device buffer. See "`bp_mapin()`" on page 179 for more information.

```
void bp_mapout(struct buf *bp);
```

`bp_mapout(9F)` unmaps the data buffer associated with the `buf(9S)` structure pointed to by `bp`. The buffer must have been mapped previously by `bp_mapin(9F)`. `bp_mapout(9F)` can only be called from user or kernel context.

```
void clrbuf(struct buf *bp);
```

`clrbuf(9F)` zeroes `bp->b_bcount` bytes starting at `bp->b_un.b_addr`.

```
void disksort(struct diskhd *dp, struct buf *bp);
```

`disksort(9F)` implements a queueing strategy for block I/O requests to block-oriented devices. `dp` is a pointer to a `diskhd` structure that represents the head of the request queue for a the disk. `disksort(9F)` sorts `bp` into this queue in ascending order of cylinder number. The cylinder number is stored in the `b_resid` field of the `buf(9S)` structure. This strategy minimizes seek time for some disks.

```
void freerbuf(struct buf *bp);
```

`freerbuf(9F)` frees the `buf(9S)` structure pointed to by `bp`. The structure must have been allocated previously by `getrbuf(9F)`.

```
int geterror(struct buf *bp);
```

`geterror(9F)` returns the error code stored in `bp` if the `B_ERROR` flag is set in `bp->b_flags`. It returns zero if no error occurred.

```
struct buf *getrbuf(long sleepflag);
```

`getrbuf(9F)` allocates a `buf(9S)` structure and returns a pointer to it. `sleepflag` should be either `KM_SLEEP` or `KM_NOSLEEP`, depending on whether `getrbuf(9F)` should wait for a `buf(9S)` structure to become available if one cannot be allocated immediately.

```
int physio(int (*strat)(struct buf *), struct buf *bp,  
           dev_t dev, int rw, void (*mincnt)(struct buf *),  
           struct uio *uio);
```

`physio(9F)` translates a read or write I/O request encoded in a `uio(9S)` structure into a `buf(9S)` I/O request. `strat` is a pointer to a `strategy(9E)` routine which `physio(9F)` calls to handle the I/O request. If `bp` is `NULL`, `physio(9F)` allocates a private `buf(9S)` structure.

Before calling `strategy(9E)`, `physio(9F)` locks down the memory referred to by the `buf(9S)` structure (initialized from the `uio(9S)` structure). For this reason, many drivers which do DMA *must* use `physio(9F)` as it is the only way to lock down memory.



In most block device drivers, `read(9E)` and `write(9E)` handle raw I/O requests, and consist of little more than a call to `physio(9F)`.

```
void minphys(struct buf *bp);
```

`minphys(9F)` can be passed as the `mincnt` argument to `physio(9F)`. This causes `physio(9F)` to make I/O requests to the strategy routine that are no larger than the system default maximum data transfer size. If the original `uio(9S)` I/O request is to transfer a greater amount of data than `minphys(9F)` allows, `physio(9F)` calls `strategy(9E)` repeatedly.

## *Copying Data*

These interfaces are data copying utilities, used both for copying data within the kernel, and for copying data between the kernel and an application program.

```
void bcopy(caddr_t from, caddr_t to, size_t bcount);
```

`bcopy(9F)` copies `count` bytes from the location pointed to by `from` to the location pointed to by `to`.

```
int copyin(caddr_t userbuf, caddr_t driverbuf,  
           size_t cn);
```

`copyin(9F)` copies data from an application program's virtual address space to the kernel virtual address space, where the driver can address the data. The driver developer must ensure that adequate space is allocated for `driverbuf`.

```
int copyout(caddr_t driverbuf, caddr_t userbuf,  
            size_t cn);
```

`copyout(9F)` copies data from the kernel virtual address space to an application program's virtual address space.

```
int ddi_copyin(caddr_t buf, caddr_t driverbuf,  
              size_t cn, int flags);
```

This routine is designed for use in driver `ioctl` (9E) routines. It copies data from a source address to a driver buffer. The driver developer must ensure that adequate space is allocated for the destination address.

The `flags` argument is used to determine the address space information about `buf`. If the `FKIOCTL` flag is set, it indicates that `buf` is a kernel address, and `ddi_copyin` (9F) behaves like `bcopy` (9F). Otherwise `buf` is interpreted as a user buffer address, and `ddi_copyin` (9F) behaves like `copyin`(9F).

The value of the `flags` argument to `ddi_copyin` (9F) should be passed through directly from the `mode` argument of `ioctl` (9E) untranslated.

```
int ddi_copyout(caddr_t driverbuf, caddr_t buf,  
               size_t cn, int flags);
```

This routine is designed for use in driver `ioctl` (9E) routines for drivers that support layered I/O controls. `ddi_copyout` (9F) copies data from a driver buffer to a destination address, `buf`.

The `flags` argument is used to determine the address space information about `buf`. If the `FKIOCTL` flag is set, it indicates that `buf` is a kernel address, and `ddi_copyout` (9F) behaves like `bcopy` (9F). Otherwise `buf` is interpreted as a user buffer address, and `ddi_copyin` (9F) behaves like `copyout`(9F).

The value of the `flags` argument to `ddi_copyout`(9F) should be passed through directly from the `mode` argument of `ioctl` (9E) untranslated.

## *Device Access*

These interfaces verify the credentials of application threads making system calls into drivers. They are sometimes used in the `open`(9E) entry point to restrict access to a device, though this is usually achieved with the permissions on the special files in the file system.

```
int drv_priv(cred_t *credp);
```

`drv_priv(9F)` returns zero if the credential structure pointed to by `credp` is that of a privileged thread. It returns `EPERM` otherwise. Only use `drv_priv(9F)` in place of calls to the obsolete `suser()` function and when making explicit checks of a calling thread's UID.

## Device Configuration

These interfaces are used in setting up a driver and preparing it for use. Some of these routines handle the dynamic loading of device driver modules into the kernel, and some manage the minor device nodes in `/devices` that are the interface to a device for application programs. All of these routines are intended to be called in the driver's `_init(9E)`, `_fini(9E)`, `_info(9E)`, `attach(9E)`, `detach(9E)`, and `probe(9E)` entry points.

```
int ddi_create_minor_node(dev_info_t *dip, char *name,
                          int spec_type, int minor_num, char *node_type,
                          int is_clone);
```

`ddi_create_minor_node(9F)` advertises a minor device node, which will eventually appear in the `/devices` directory and refer to the device specified by `dip`.

```
void ddi_remove_minor_node(dev_info_t *dip,
                           char *name);
```

`ddi_remove_minor_node(9F)` removes the minor device node name for the device `dip` from the system. `name` is assumed to have been created by `ddi_create_minor_node(9F)`. If `name` is `NULL`, all minor node information is removed.

```
int mod_install(struct modlinkage *modlinkage);
```

`mod_install(9F)` links the calling driver module into the system and prepares the driver to be used. `modlinkage` is a pointer to the `modlinkage` structure defined in the driver. `mod_install(9F)` must be called from the `_init(9E)` entry point.

```
int mod_remove(struct modlinkage *modlinkage);
```

`mod_remove(9F)` unlinks the calling driver module from the system. `modlinkage` is a pointer to the `modlinkage` structure defined in the driver. `mod_remove(9F)` must be called from the `_fini(9E)` entry point.

```
int mod_info(struct modlinkage *modlinkage,  
            struct modinfo *modinfop);
```

`mod_info(9F)` reports the status of a dynamically loadable driver module. It must be called from the `_info(9E)` entry point.

## *Device Information*

These interfaces provide information to the driver about a device, such as whether the device is self-identifying, what instance number the system has assigned to a device instance, the name of the `dev_info` node for the device, and the `dev_info` node of the device's parent.

```
int ddi_dev_is_sid(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_dev_is_sid(9F)` returns `DDI_SUCCESS` if the device identified by `dip` is self-identifying (see “Device Identification” on page 14). Otherwise, it returns `DDI_FAILURE`.

```
int ddi_get_instance(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_get_instance(9F)` returns the instance number assigned by the system for the device instance specified by `dip`.

```
char *ddi_get_name(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_get_name(9F)` returns a pointer to a character string that is the name of the `dev_info` tree node specified by `dip`. `ddi_get_name(9F)` should be called in the `identify(9E)` entry point and the result compared to the name of the device.

```
dev_info_t *ddi_get_parent(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_get_parent(9F)` returns the `dev_info_t` pointer for the parent `dev_info` node of the passed node, identified by `dip`.

```
int ddi_slaveonly(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_slaveonly(9F)` returns `DDI_SUCCESS` if the device indicated by `dip` is installed in a slave access only bus slot. It returns `DDI_FAILURE` otherwise.

## *DMA Handling*

These interfaces allocate and release DMA resources for devices capable of directly accessing system memory. The family of setup functions are all wrappers around the main setup function, `ddi_dma_setup(9F)`. The wrappers make it easier to allocate DMA resources for use with kernel virtual addresses (`ddi_dma_addr_setup(9F)`), and `buf(9S)` structures (`ddi_dma_buf_setup(9F)`). The setup functions pass back a pointer to a DMA handle, which identifies the allocated DMA resources in future calls to other DMA handling functions.

The DMA setup functions take a pointer to a DMA limits structure as an argument. The DMA limits structure allows any constraints which the device's DMA controller may impose on DMA transfers to be specified, such as a limited transfer size.

The DMA setup functions also provide a callback mechanism where a function can be specified to be called later if the requested mapping can't be set up immediately.

The DMA window functions allow resources to be allocated for a large object. The resources can be moved from one part of the object to another by moving the DMA window.

The DMA engine functions allow drivers to manipulate the system DMA engine, if there is one. These are currently used on x86 systems.

```
int ddi_dma_addr_setup(dev_info_t *dip,
    struct as *as, caddr_t addr, u_int len,
    u_int flags, int (*waitfp)(caddr_t),
    caddr_t arg, ddi_dma_lim_t *lim,
    ddi_dma_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_dma_addr_setup(9F)` allocates resources for an object of length `len` at kernel address `addr`, subject to any constraints specified by `lim`. `waitfp` is a pointer to a callback function to be called later if the DMA resources cannot be allocated right away. If the resources are allocated successfully, `ddi_dma_addr_setup(9F)` passes back the DMA handle for the mapping in the location pointed to by `handlep`. `NULL` should be passed for `as`.

```
int ddi_dma_buf_setup(dev_info_t *dip, struct buf *bp,
    u_int flags, int (*waitfp)(caddr_t),
    caddr_t arg, ddi_dma_lim_t *lim,
    ddi_dma_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_dma_buf_setup(9F)` allocates resources for an object described by a `buf(9F)` structure pointed to by `bp`, subject to constraints specified by `lim`. `waitfp` is a pointer to a callback function to be called later if the DMA resources cannot be allocated right away. If the resources are allocated successfully, `ddi_dma_buf_setup(9F)` passes back the DMA handle for the resources in the location pointed to by `handlep`.

```
int ddi_dma_burstsizes(ddi_dma_handle_t handle);
```

`ddi_dma_burstsizes(9F)` returns an integer that encodes the allowed burst sizes for the DMA resources specified by `handle`. Allowed power of two burst sizes are bit-encoded in the return value. For a mapping that allows only two-byte bursts, for example, the return value would be `0x2`. For a mapping that allows 1, 2, 4, and 8 byte bursts, the return value would be `0xf`.

```
int ddi_dma_coff(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
                ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep, off_t *offp);
```

`ddi_dma_coff(9F)` passes back, in the location pointed to by `offp`, an offset into a DMA object. The mapping is specified by `handle`, and the offset `offp` is derived from the DMA cookie referred to by `cookiep`. `ddi_dma_coff(9F)` can be used after a DMA transfer is complete to find out where the DMA controller stopped.

```
int ddi_dma_curwin(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
                  off_t *offp, u_int *lenp);
```

`ddi_dma_curwin(9F)` passes back the offset and length of the current DMA window in the locations pointed to by `offp` and `lenp`, respectively.

```
int ddi_dma_devalign(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
                    u_int *alignment, u_int *minxfr);
```

`ddi_dma_devalign(9F)` passes back, in the location pointed to by `alignment`, the required alignment for the beginning of a DMA transfer using the resources identified by `handle`. The alignment will be a power of two. `ddi_dma_devalign(9F)` also passes back in the location pointed to by `minxfr` the minimum number of bytes of the mapping that will be read or written in a single transfer.

```
int ddi_dma_htoc(ddi_dma_handle_t handle, off_t off,  
                ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep);
```

`ddi_dma_htoc(9F)` passes back a DMA cookie in the location pointed to by `cookiep` that represents a DMA transfer starting at `off` in the DMA resources identified by `handle`. The DMA cookie is described in `ddi_dma_cookie(9S)` that contains information about a potential DMA transfer. The field `dmac_address` contains the transfer address for the DMA controller.

```
int ddi_dma_movwin(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
    off_t *offp, u_int *lenp,  
    ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep);
```

`ddi_dma_movwin(9F)` moves the current DMA window in the mapping identified by `handle`. The new window offset and length are passed back in the locations pointed to by `offp` and `lenp`, respectively. If a pointer to a DMA cookie structure is passed in `cookiep`, `ddi_dma_movwin(9F)` calls `ddi_dma_htoc(9F)` passes back a new DMA cookie in the location pointed to by `cookiep`.

```
int ddi_dma_nextseg(ddi_dma_win_t win,  
    ddi_dma_seg_t seg, ddi_dma_seg_t *nseg);
```

`ddi_dma_nextseg(9F)` gets the next DMA segment within the specified window `win`. If the current segment is NULL, the first DMA segment within the window is returned.

```
int ddi_dma_nextwin(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
    ddi_dma_win_t win, ddi_dma_win_t *nwin);
```

`ddi_dma_nextwin(9F)` shifts the current DMA window `win` within the object referred to by `handle` to the next DMA window `nwin`. If the current window is NULL, the first window within the object is returned.

```
int ddi_dma_segtocookie(ddi_dma_seg_t seg,  
    off_t *offp, off_t *lenp,  
    ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep);
```

`ddi_dma_segtocookie(9F)` takes a DMA segment and fills in the cookie pointed to by `cookiep` with the appropriate address, length, and bus type to be used to program the DMA engine. `ddi_dma_segtocookie(9F)` also fills in `*offp` and `*lenp`, which specify the range within the object.



```
int ddi_dma_setup(dev_info_t *dip,
                  struct ddi_dma_req *dmareqp,
                  ddi_dma_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_dma_setup(9F)` is the main DMA resource allocation function. It allocates resources based on the DMA request structure pointed to by `dmareqp`, and passes back a DMA handle that identifies the mapping in the location pointed to by `handlep`.

```
int ddi_dma_free(ddi_dma_handle_t handle);
```

`ddi_dma_free(9F)` calls `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` and frees the resources associated with the DMA mapping identified by `handle`.

```
int ddi_dma_sync(ddi_dma_handle_t handle, off_t off,
                 u_int length, u_int type);
```

`ddi_dma_sync(9F)` assures that any CPU and the device see the same data starting at `off` bytes into the DMA resources identified by `handle` and continuing for `len` bytes. `type` should be:

- `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORDEV` to make sure the device sees any changes made by a CPU.
- `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU` to make sure all CPUs see any changes made by the device.
- `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORKERNEL`, similar to `DDI_DMA_SYNC_FORCPU`, except that only the kernel view of the object is synchronized.

```
int ddi_dmae_alloc(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl,
                  int (*dmae_waitfp)(), caddr_t arg);
```

`ddi_dmae_alloc(9F)` allocates a DMA channel from the system DMA engine. It must be called prior to any operation on a channel.

```
int ddi_dmae_release(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl);
```

`ddi_dmae_release(9F)` releases a previously allocated DMA channel.

```
int ddi_dmae_prog(dev_info_t *dip,  
                 struct ddi_dmae_req *dmaereqp,  
                 ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep, int chnl);
```

The `ddi_dmae_prog(9F)` function programs the DMA channel for an operation. This function allows access to various capabilities of the DMA engine hardware. It disables the channel prior to setup, and enables the channel before returning.

The DMA address and count are specified by passing `ddi_dmae_prog(9F)` a cookie obtained from `ddi_dma_segtocookie(9F)`. Other DMA engine parameters are specified by the DMA engine request structure passed in through `dmaereqp`. The fields of that structure are documented in `ddi_dmae_req(9S)`.

```
int ddi_dmae_disable(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl);
```

The `ddi_dmae_disable(9F)` function disables the DMA channel so that it no longer responds to a device's DMA service requests.

```
int ddi_dmae_enable(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl);
```

The `ddi_dmae_enable(9F)` function enables the DMA channel for operation. This may be used to re-enable the channel after a call to `ddi_dmae_disable(9F)`. The channel is automatically enabled after successful programming by `ddi_dmae_prog(9F)`.

```
int ddi_dmae_stop(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl);
```

The `ddi_dmae_stop(9F)` function disables the channel and terminates any active operation.

```
int ddi_dmae_getcnt(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl,  
                   int *countp);
```

The `ddi_dmae_getcnt(9F)` function examines the count register of the DMA channel and sets (`*countp`) to the number of bytes remaining to be transferred. The channel is assumed to be stopped.

```
int ddi_dmae_1stparty(dev_info_t *dip, int chnl);
```

The `ddi_dmae_1stparty(9F)` function is used, by device drivers using first-party DMA, to configure a channel in the system's DMA engine to operate in a "slave" mode.

```
int ddi_dmae_getlim(dev_info_t *dip,  
                   ddi_dma_lim_t *limitsp);
```

The `ddi_dmae_getlim(9F)` function fills in the DMA limit structure, pointed to by `limitsp`, with the DMA limits of the system DMA engine. This limit structure must be passed to the DMA setup routines so that they will know how to break the DMA request into windows and segments. If the device has any particular restrictions on transfer size or granularity (for example, a disk sector size), the driver should further restrict the values in the structure members before passing them to the DMA setup routines. The driver must not relax any of the restrictions embodied in the structure after it is filled in by `ddi_dmae_getlim(9F)`.

```
int ddi_iomin(dev_info_t *dip, int initial,  
              int streaming);
```

`ddi_iomin(9F)` returns an integer that encodes the required alignment and the minimum number of bytes that must be read or written by the DMA controller of the device identified by `dip`. `ddi_iomin(9F)` is like `ddi_dma_devalign(9F)`, but the memory object is assumed to be primary memory, and the alignment is assumed to be equal to the minimum possible transfer.

```
int ddi_iopb_alloc(dev_info_t *dip,  
                  ddi_dma_lim_t *limits, u_int length,  
                  caddr_t *iopbp);
```

`ddi_iopb_alloc(9F)` allocates a block of `length` bytes of memory, subject to constraints specified by `limits`. A block of memory so allocated is commonly called an "I/O parameter block", or IOPB, and is usually used to encode a device command. This block of consistent memory can be directly accessed by the device. A pointer to the allocated IOPB is passed back in the location pointed to by `iopbp`.

```
void ddi_iopb_free(caddr_t iopb);
```

`ddi_iopb_free(9F)` frees the I/O parameter block pointed to by `iopb`, which must have been allocated previously by `ddi_iopb_alloc(9F)`.

```
int ddi_dma_alloc_handle(dev_info_t *dip,  
                        ddi_dma_attr_t *attr, int (*callback)(caddr_t),  
                        caddr_t arg, ddi_dma_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_dma_alloc_handle()` allocates a new DMA handle. A DMA handle is an opaque object used as a reference to subsequently allocated DMA resources. `ddi_dma_alloc_handle()` accepts as parameters the device information referred to by `dip` and the device's DMA attributes described by a `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` structure. A successful call to `ddi_dma_alloc_handle()` fills in the value pointed to by `handlep`. A DMA handle must only be used by the device for which it was allocated and is only valid for one I/O transaction at a time.

If `callback` is set to `DDI_DMA_DONTWAIT`, then the caller does not care if the allocation fails, and can handle an allocation failure appropriately. If `callback` is set to `DDI_DMA_SLEEP`, then the caller wishes to have the allocation routines wait for resources to become available. If any other value is set, and a DMA resource allocation fails, this value is assumed to be a function to call at a later time when resources may become available. When the specified function is called, it is passed `arg` as an argument. The specified `callback` function must return either `DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_RUNOUT` or `DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE`.

`DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_RUNOUT` indicates that the callback routine attempted to allocate DMA resources but failed to do so, in which case the callback function is put back on a list to be called again later.

`DDI_DMA_CALLBACK_DONE` indicates either success at allocating DMA resources or the driver no longer available.

```
int ddi_dma_mem_alloc(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,
    uint_t length, ddi_device_acc_attr_t *accattrp,
    ulong_t flags, int (*waitfp)(caddr_t),
    caddr_t arg, caddr_t *kaddrp,
    uint_t *real_length, ddi_acc_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_dma_mem_alloc()` allocates memory for DMA transfers to or from a device. The allocation will obey the alignment, padding constraints and device granularity as specified by the DMA attributes (see `ddi_dma_attr(9S)`) passed to `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)` and the more restrictive attributes imposed by the system.

```
void ddi_dma_mem_free(ddi_acc_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_dma_mem_free()` deallocates the memory acquired by `ddi_dma_mem_alloc(9F)`. In addition, it destroys the data access handle `handlep` associated with the memory.

```
void ddi_dma_free_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t *handle);
```

`ddi_dma_free_handle()` destroys the DMA handle pointed to by `handle`. Any further references to the DMA handle will have undefined results. Note that `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)` must be called prior to `ddi_dma_free_handle()` to free any resources the system may be caching on the handle.

```
int ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,
    struct as *as, caddr_t addr, uint_t len,
    uint_t flags, int (*callback)(caddr_t),
    caddr_t arg, ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep,
    uint_t *ccountp);
```

`ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle()` allocates DMA resources for a memory object such that a device can perform DMA to or from the object. DMA resources are allocated considering the device's DMA attributes as expressed by `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` (see `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)`).

`ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle()` fills in the first DMA cookie pointed to by `cookiep` with the appropriate address, length, and bus type. `*ccountp` is set to the number of DMA cookies representing this DMA object. Subsequent DMA cookies must be retrieved by calling `ddi_dma_nextcookie(9F)` `*countp - 1` times.

When a DMA transfer completes, the driver should free up system DMA resources by calling `ddi_dma_unbind_handle(9F)`.

```
int ddi_dma_set_sbus64(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
    uint_t burstsizes);
```

`ddi_dma_set_sbus64()` informs the system that the device wishes to perform 64 bit data transfers on the SBus. The driver must first allocate a DMA handle using `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)` with a `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` structure describing the DMA attributes for a 32 bit transfer mode.

```
int ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
    struct buf *bp, uint_t flags,  
    int (*callback)(caddr_t), caddr_t arg,  
    ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep, uint_t *ccountp);
```

`ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle()` allocates DMA resources for a system buffer such that a device can perform DMA to or from the buffer. DMA resources are allocated considering the device's DMA attributes as expressed by `ddi_dma_attr(9S)` (see `ddi_dma_alloc_handle(9F)`).

```
int ddi_dma_unbind_handle(ddi_dma_handle_t handle);
```

`ddi_dma_unbind_handle()` frees all DMA resources associated with an existing DMA handle. When a DMA transfer completes, the driver should call `ddi_dma_unbind_handle()` to free system DMA resources established by a call to `ddi_dma_buf_bind_handle(9F)` or `ddi_dma_addr_bind_handle(9F)`.

`ddi_dma_unbind_handle()` does an implicit `ddi_dma_sync(9F)` making further synchronization steps unnecessary.

```
int ddi_dma_numwin(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
                  uint_t *nwinp);
```

`ddi_dma_numwin()` returns the number of DMA windows for a DMA object if partial resource allocation was permitted.

```
int ddi_dma_getwin(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
                  uint_t win, off_t *offp, uint_t *lenp,  
                  ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep, uint_t *ccountp);
```

`ddi_dma_getwin()` activates a new DMA window. If a DMA resource allocation request returns `DDI_DMA_PARTIAL_MAP` indicating that resources for less than the entire object were allocated, the current DMA window can be changed by a call to `ddi_dma_getwin()`.

```
void ddi_dma_nextcookie(ddi_dma_handle_t handle,  
                       ddi_dma_cookie_t *cookiep);
```

`ddi_dma_nextcookie()` retrieves subsequent DMA cookies for a DMA object. `ddi_dma_nextcookie()` fills in the `ddi_dma_cookie(9S)` structure pointed to by `cookiep`. The `ddi_dma_cookie(9S)` structure must be allocated prior to calling `ddi_dma_nextcookie()`.

## *Flow of Control*

These interfaces influence the flow of program control in a driver. These are mostly callback mechanisms, functions that schedule another function to run at a later time. Many drivers schedule a function to run every so often to check on the status of the device, and possibly issue an error message if some strange condition is detected.

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**Note** – The `detach(9E)` entry point must assure that no callback functions are pending in the driver before returning successfully. See Chapter 5, “Autoconfiguration.”

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```
int timeout(void (*ftn)(caddr_t), caddr_t arg,  
            long ticks);
```

`timeout(9F)` schedules the function pointed to by `ftn` to be run after `ticks` clock ticks have elapsed. `arg` is passed to the function when it is run. `timeout(9F)` returns a “timeout ID” that can be used to cancel the timeout later.

```
int untimeout(int id);
```

`untimeout(9F)` cancels the timeout indicated by the timeout ID `id`. If the number of clock ticks originally specified to `timeout(9F)` have not elapsed, the callback function will not be called.

## *Interrupt Handling*

These interfaces manage device interrupts and software interrupts. The basic model is to register with the system an interrupt handling function to be called when a device interrupt or a software interrupt is triggered.

```
int ddi_add_intr(dev_info_t *dip, u_int inumber,  
                ddi_iblock_cookie_t *iblock_cookiep,  
                ddi_idevice_cookie_t *idevice_cookiep,  
                u_int (*int_handler)(caddr_t),  
                caddr_t int_handler_arg);
```

`ddi_add_intr(9F)` tells the system to call the function pointed to by `int_handler` when the device specified by `dip` issues the interrupt identified by `inumber`. `ddi_add_intr(9F)` passes back an interrupt block cookie in the location pointed to by `iblock_cookiep`, and an interrupt device cookie in the location pointed to by `idevice_cookiep`. The interrupt block cookie is used to initialize mutual exclusion locks (mutexes) and other synchronization variables. The device interrupt cookie is used to program the level at which the device interrupts, for those devices that support such programming.



```
void ddi_remove_intr(dev_info_t *dip, u_int inumber,  
                    ddi_iblock_cookie_t iblock_cookie);
```

`ddi_remove_intr(9F)` tells the system to stop calling the interrupt handler registered for the interrupt `inumber` on the device identified by `dip`. `iblock_cookie` is the interrupt block cookie that was returned by `ddi_add_intr(9F)` when the interrupt handler was set up. Device interrupts must be disabled before calling `ddi_remove_intr(9F)`, and always call `ddi_remove_intr(9F)` in the `detach(9E)` entry point before returning successfully (if any interrupts handlers were added).

```
int ddi_add_softintr(dev_info_t *dip, int preference,  
                   ddi_softintr_t *idp, ddi_iblock_cookie_t *ibcp,  
                   ddi_idevice_cookie_t *idcp,  
                   u_int (*int_handler)(caddr_t),  
                   caddr_t int_handler_arg);
```

`ddi_add_softintr(9F)` tells the system to call the function pointed to by `int_handler` when a certain software interrupt is triggered. `ddi_add_softintr(9F)` returns a software interrupt ID in the location pointed to by `idp`. This ID is later used by `ddi_trigger_softintr(9F)` to trigger the software interrupt.

```
void ddi_trigger_softintr(ddi_softintr_t id);
```

`ddi_trigger_softintr(9F)` triggers the software interrupt identified by `id`. The interrupt handling function that was set up for this software interrupt by `ddi_add_softintr(9F)` is then called.

```
void ddi_remove_softintr(ddi_softintr_t id);
```

`ddi_remove_softintr(9F)` tells the system to stop calling the software interrupt handler for the software interrupt identified by `id`. If the driver has soft interrupts registered, it must call `ddi_remove_softintr(9F)` in the `detach(9E)` entry point before returning successfully.

```
int ddi_dev_nintrs(dev_info_t *dip, int *result);
```

`ddi_dev_nintr(9F)` passes back in the location pointed to by `result` the number of different interrupt specifications that the device indicated by `dip` can generate. This is useful when dealing with a device that can interrupt at more than one level.

```
int ddi_intr_hilevel(dev_info_t *dip, u_int inumber);
```

`ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)` returns non-zero if the system considers the interrupt specified by `inumber` on the device identified by `dip` to be high level. Otherwise, it returns zero.

## *Kernel Statistics*

These interfaces allow device drivers to store statistics about the device in the kernel for later retrieval by applications.

```
kstat_t *kstat_create(char *module, int instance,  
                    char *name, char *class, uchar_t type,  
                    ulong_t ndata, uchar_t ks_flag);
```

`kstat_create(9F)` allocates and performs necessary system initialization of a `kstat(9S)` structure. After a successful call to `kstat_create(9F)` the driver must perform any necessary initialization of the data structure and then use `kstat_install(9F)` to make the `kstat(9S)` structure accessible to user land applications.

```
void kstat_delete(kstat_t *ksp);
```

`kstat_delete(9F)` removes the `kstat(9S)` structure pointed to by `ksp` from the kernel statistics data and frees associated system resources.

```
void kstat_install(kstat_t *ksp);
```

`kstat_install(9F)` allows the `kstat(9S)` structure pointed to by `ksp` to be accessible by the user land applications.

```
void kstat_named_init(kstat_named_t *knp, char *name,  
    uchar_t data_type);
```

`kstat_named_init(9F)` associates the name pointed to by `name` and the type specified in `data_type` with the `kstat_named(9S)` structure pointed to by `knp`.

```
void kstat_waitq_enter(kstat_io_t *kiop);
```

`kstat_waitq_enter(9F)` is used to update the `kernel_io(9S)` structure pointed to by `kiop` indicating that a request has arrived but has not yet been processed.

```
void kstat_waitq_exit(kstat_io_t *kiop);
```

`kstat_waitq_exit(9F)` is used to update the `kernel_io(9S)` structure pointed to by `kiop` indicating that the request is about to be serviced.

```
void kstat_runq_enter(kstat_io_t *kiop);
```

`kstat_runq_enter(9F)` is used to update the `kernel_io(9S)` structure pointed to by `kiop` indicating that the request is in the process of being serviced. `kstat_runq_enter(9F)` is generally invoked after a call to `kstat_waitq_exit(9F)`.

```
void kstat_runq_exit(kstat_io_t *kiop);
```

`kstat_runq_exit(9F)` is used to update the `kernel_io(9S)` structure pointed to by `kiop` indicating that the request is serviced.

```
void kstat_waitq_to_runq(kstat_io_t *kiop);
```

`kstat_waitq_to_runq(9F)` is used to update the `kernel_io(9S)` structure pointed to by `kiop` indicating that the request is transitioning from one state to the next. `kstat_waitq_to_runq(9F)` is used when a driver would normally call `kstat_waitq_exit(9F)` followed immediately by `kstat_runq_enter(9F)`.

```
void kstat_runq_to_waitq(kstat_io_t *kiop);
```

`kstat_runq_to_waitq(9F)` is used to update the `kernel_io(9S)` structure pointed to by `kiop` indicating that the request is transitioning from one state to the next. `kstat_runq_to_waitq(9F)` is used when a driver would normally call `kstat_runq_exit(9F)` followed immediately by a call to `kstat_waitq_enter(9F)`.

## *Memory Allocation*

These interfaces dynamically allocate memory for the driver to use.

```
void *kmem_alloc(size_t size, int flag);
```

`kmem_alloc(9F)` allocates a block of kernel virtual memory of length `size` and returns a pointer to it. If `flag` is `KM_SLEEP`, `kmem_alloc(9F)` may block waiting for memory to become available. If `flag` is `KM_NOSLEEP`, `kmem_alloc(9F)` returns `NULL` if the request cannot be satisfied immediately.

```
void kmem_free(void *cp, size_t size);
```

`kmem_free(9F)` releases a block of memory of length `size` starting at address `addr` that was previously allocated by `kmem_alloc(9F)`. `size` must be the original amount allocated.

```
void *kmem_zalloc(size_t size, int flags);
```

`kmem_zalloc(9F)` calls `kmem_alloc(9F)` to allocate a block of memory of length `size`, and calls `bzero(9F)` on the block to zero its contents before returning its address.

```
uchar_t ddi_mem_getb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    uchar_t *dev_addr);  
ushort_t ddi_mem_getw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    ushort_t *dev_addr);  
ulong_t ddi_mem_getl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    ulong_t *dev_addr);  
unsigned long long ddi_mem_getll(ddi_acc_handle_t  
    handle, unsigned long long *dev_addr);
```

These routines generate a read of various sizes from memory space or allocated DMA memory. The `ddi_mem_getb()`, `ddi_mem_getw()`, `ddi_mem_getl()`, and `ddi_mem_getll()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, from the device address, `dev_addr`, in memory space.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_mem_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    uchar_t *dev_addr, uchar_t value);  
void ddi_mem_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    ushort_t *dev_addr, ushort_t value);  
void ddi_mem_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    ulong_t *dev_addr, ulong_t value);  
void ddi_mem_putll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
    unsigned long long *dev_addr,  
    unsigned long long value);
```

These routines generate a write of various sizes to memory space or allocated DMA memory. The `ddi_mem_putb()`, `ddi_mem_putw()`, `ddi_mem_putl()`, and `ddi_mem_putll()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, to the device address, `dev_addr`, in memory space.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_mem_rep_getb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    uchar_t *host_addr, uchar_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_mem_rep_getw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ushort_t *host_addr, ushort_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_mem_rep_getl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ulong_t *host_addr, ulong_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_mem_rep_getll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    unsigned long long *host_addr,
    unsigned long long *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);
```

These routines generate multiple reads from memory space or allocated DMA memory. `recount` data is copied from the device address, `dev_addr`, in memory space to the host address, `host_addr`. For each input datum, the `ddi_mem_rep_getb()`, `ddi_mem_rep_getw()`, `ddi_mem_rep_getl()`, and `ddi_mem_rep_getll()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, from the device address, `dev_addr`. `dev_addr` and `host_addr` must be aligned to the datum boundary described by the function.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_mem_rep_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    uchar_t *host_addr, uchar_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_mem_rep_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ushort_t *host_addr, ushort_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_mem_rep_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ulong_t *host_addr, ulong_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount,ulong_t flags);

void ddi_mem_rep_putll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    unsigned long long *host_addr,
    unsigned long long *dev_addr,
    uint_t recount,ulong_t flags);
```

These routines generate multiple writes to memory space or allocated DMA memory. `recount` data is copied from the host address, `host_addr`, to the device address, `dev_addr`, in memory space. For each input datum, the `ddi_mem_rep_putb()`, `ddi_mem_rep_putw()`, `ddi_mem_rep_putl()`, and `ddi_mem_rep_putll()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, to the device address. `dev_addr` and `host_addr` must be aligned to the datum boundary described by the function.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

## *Common Device Access Functions*

```
uchar_t ddi_getb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                uchar_t *dev_addr);  
ushort_t ddi_getw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                 ushort_t *dev_addr);  
ulong_t ddi_getl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                ulong_t *dev_addr);  
unsigned long long ddi_getll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                             unsigned long long *dev_addr);
```

`ddi_getb`, `ddi_getw`, `ddi_getl`, `ddi_getll` read data from the mapped memory address, device register or allocated DMA memory address.

The `ddi_getb()`, `ddi_getw()`, `ddi_getl()`, and `ddi_getll()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, from the device address, `dev_addr`.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
             uchar_t *dev_addr, uchar_t value);  
void ddi_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
             ushort_t *dev_addr, ushort_t value);  
void ddi_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
             ulong_t *dev_addr, ulong_t value);  
void ddi_putll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
              unsigned long long *dev_addr,  
              unsigned long long value);
```

These routines generate a write of various sizes to the mapped memory or device register. The `ddi_putb()`, `ddi_putw()`, `ddi_putl()`, and `ddi_putll()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, to the device address, `dev_addr`.



Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_rep_getb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                 uchar_t *host_addr, uchar_t *dev_addr,
                 uint_t recount,ulong_t flags);

void ddi_rep_getw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                 ushort_t *host_addr, ushort_t *dev_addr,
                 uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_rep_getl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                 ulong_t *host_addr, ulong_t *dev_addr,
                 uint_t recount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_rep_getll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                  unsigned long long *host_addr,
                  unsigned long long *dev_addr,
                  uint_t recount,ulong_t flags);
```

These routines generate multiple reads from the mapped memory or device register. `recount` data is copied from the device address, `dev_addr`, to the host address, `host_addr`. For each input datum, the `ddi_rep_getb()`, `ddi_rep_getw()`, `ddi_rep_getl()`, and `ddi_rep_getll()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, from the device address, `dev_addr`. `dev_addr` and `host_addr` must be aligned to the datum boundary described by the function.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_rep_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    uchar_t *host_addr, uchar_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t reccount,ulong_t flags);

void ddi_rep_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ushort_t *host_addr, ushort_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t reccount, ulong_t flags);

void ddi_rep_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ulong_t *host_addr, ulong_t *dev_addr,
    uint_t reccount,ulong_t flags);

void ddi_rep_putll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    unsigned long long *host_addr,
    unsigned long long *dev_addr, uint_t reccount,
    ulong_t flags);
```

These routines generate multiple writes to the mapped memory or device register. reccount data is copied from the host address, `host_addr`, to the device address, `dev_addr`. For each input datum, the `ddi_rep_putb()`, `ddi_rep_putw()`, `ddi_rep_putl()`, and `ddi_rep_putll()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits and 64 bits of data, respectively, to the device address, `dev_addr`. `dev_addr` and `host_addr` must be aligned to the datum boundary described by the function.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
int ddi_device_copy(ddi_acc_handle_t src_handle,
    caddr_t src_addr, long src_advcnt,
    ddi_acc_handle_t dest_handle,
    caddr_t dest_addr, long dest_advcnt,
    size_t bytecount, ulong_t dev_datasz);
```

The attributes encoded in the access handles, `src_handle` and `dest_handle`, govern how data is actually copied from the source to the destination. Only matching data sizes between the source and destination are supported.

Data will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the source and the destination. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the source and the destination devices have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_device_zero(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    caddr_t dev_addr, size_t bytecount,  
                    long dev_advcnt,ulong_t dev_datsz);
```

`ddi_device_zero()` function fills the given `bytecount` with the number of bytes of zeroes to the device register or memory.

The `dev_advcnt` argument determines the value of the device address, `dev_addr`, on each access. A value of 0 will use the same device address, `dev_addr`, on every access. A positive value increments the device address in the next access while a negative value decrements the address. The device address is incremented/decremented in `dev_datsz` units.

## Polling

These interfaces support the `poll(2)` system call, which provides a mechanism for application programs to “poll” character-oriented devices, inquiring about their readiness to perform certain I/O operations. See the `poll(2)` manual page for details.

```
int nochpoll(dev_t dev, short events, int anyyet,  
            short *reventsp, struct pollhead **pollhdrp);
```

Use `nochpoll(9F)` as the `chpoll` entry in the `cb_ops(9S)` structure if the driver does not support polling.

```
void pollwakeup(struct pollhead *php, short event);
```

If the driver does implement a `chpoll(9E)` entry point to support polling, it should call `pollwakeup(9F)` whenever the event occurs.

## Printing System Messages

These interfaces are functions that display messages on the system console.

```
void cmn_err(int level, char *format, ...);
```

`cmn_err(9F)` is the mechanism for printing messages on the system console. `level` may be one of `CE_NOTE`, `CE_WARN`, `CE_CONT`, or `CE_PANIC`. `CE_NOTE` indicates a purely informational message. `CE_WARN` indicates a warning to the user. `CE_CONT` continues a previous message. And `CE_PANIC` issues a fatal error and crashes the system. Use `CE_PANIC` only for unrecoverable system errors!

Whenever possible, `CE_CONT` should be used to print system messages. Note that `CE_PANIC`, `CE_NOTE`, and `CE_WARN` cause `cmn_err(9F)` to always append a new line to the message.

```
void ddi_report_dev(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_report_dev(9F)` possibly prints a message announcing the presence of a device on the system. Call this function before returning from a successful `attach(9E)`.

```
char *sprintf(char *buf, const char *fmt, ...);
```

`sprintf(9F)` is just like the C library's `sprintf(3)`. Use it to format a message and place it in `buf`.

```
void vcmn_err(int level, char *format, va_list ap);
```

`vcmn_err(9F)` is a version of `cmn_err(9F)` that uses `varargs` (see the `stdarg(5)` manual page).

```
char *vsprintf(char *buf, const char *fmt, va_list ap);
```

`vsprintf(9F)` is a version of `sprintf(9F)` that uses `varargs` (see the `stdarg(5)` manual page).

## *Process Signaling*

These interfaces allow a device driver to send signals to a process in a multithread safe manner.

```
void *proc_ref(void);
```

`proc_ref(9F)` retrieves an unambiguous reference to the process of the current thread for signalling purposes.

```
int proc_signal(void *pref, int sig);
```

`proc_signal(9F)` sends the signal indicated in `sig` to the process defined by `pref` that has been referenced by `proc_ref(9F)`.

```
void proc_unref(void *pref);
```

`proc_unref(9F)` unreferences the process defined by `pref`.

## *Properties*

Properties are name-value pairs defined by the PROM or the kernel at boot time, by hardware configuration files, or by calls to `ddi_prop_create(9F)`. These interfaces handle creating, modifying, retrieving, and reporting properties.

```
int ddi_prop_create(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,  
    int flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep,  
    int length);
```

`ddi_prop_create(9F)` creates a property of the name pointed to by `name` and the value pointed to by `valuep`.

```
int ddi_prop_modify(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,  
    int flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep,  
    int length);
```

`ddi_prop_modify(9F)` changes the value of the property identified by `name` to the value pointed to by `valuep`.

```
int ddi_prop_update_int_array(dev_t dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, char *name, int *data,
    u_int nelements);

int ddi_prop_update_int(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
    char *name, int data);

int ddi_prop_update_string_array(dev_t dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, char *name, char **data,
    u_int nelements);

int ddi_prop_update_string(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
    char *name, char *data);

int ddi_prop_update_byte_array(dev_t dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, char *name, u_char *data,
    u_int nelements);
```

The property update routines search for and, if found, modify the value of a given property. Properties are searched for based on the *dip*, *name*, *dev*, and the type of the data (integer, string or byte). The driver software properties list is searched. If the property is found, it is updated with the supplied value. If the property is not found on this list, a new property is created with the value supplied.

For example, if a driver attempts to update the *foo* property, a property named *foo* is searched for on the driver's software property list. If *foo* is found, the value is updated. If *foo* is not found, a new property named *foo* is created on the driver's software property list with the supplied value even if a *foo* property exists on another property list (such as a PROM property list).

For the routines `ddi_prop_update_int_array()`, `ddi_prop_update_string_array()`, `ddi_prop_update_string()`, and `ddi_prop_update_byte_array()` *data* is a pointer which points to memory containing the value of the property. In each case *data* points to a different type of property value.

```
int ddi_prop_remove(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
    char *name);
```

`ddi_prop_remove(9F)` frees the resources associated with the property identified by *name*.

```
void ddi_prop_remove_all(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`ddi_prop_remove_all(9F)` frees the resources associated with all properties belonging to `dip`. `ddi_prop_remove_all(9F)` should be called in the `detach(9E)` entry point if the driver defines properties.

```
int ddi_prop_undefine(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,  
    int flags, char *name);
```

`ddi_prop_undefine(9F)` marks the value of the property identified by name as temporarily undefined. The property continues to exist, however, and may be redefined later using `ddi_prop_modify(9F)`.

```
int ddi_prop_op(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,  
    ddi_prop_op_t prop_op, int flags, char *name,  
    caddr_t valuep, int *lengthp);
```

`ddi_prop_op(9F)` is the generic interface for retrieving properties. `ddi_prop_op(9F)` should be used as the `prop_op(9E)` entry in the `cb_ops(9S)` structure if the driver does not have a `prop_op(9E)` routine. See “Properties” on page 57 for more information.

```
int ddi_getprop(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip, int flags,  
    char *name, int defvalue);
```

`ddi_getprop(9F)` is a wrapper around `ddi_prop_op(9F)`. It can be used to retrieve boolean and integer sized properties.

```
int ddi_prop_exists(dev_t match_dev, dev_info_t *dip,  
    u_int flags, char *name);
```

`ddi_prop_exists()` checks for the existence of a property regardless of the property value data type.

```
int ddi_prop_get_int(dev_t match_dev, dev_info_t *dip,  
    u_int flags, char *name, int defvalue);
```

`ddi_prop_get_int()` searches for an integer property and, if found, returns the value of the property.

```
int ddi_getlongprop(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
    int flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep,
    int *lengthp);
```

`ddi_getlongprop(9F)` is a wrapper around `ddi_prop_op(9F)`. It is used to retrieve properties having values of arbitrary length. The value returned is stored in a buffer allocated by `kmem_alloc(9F)`, which the driver must free with `kmem_free(9F)` when the value is no longer needed.

```
int ddi_getlongprop_buf(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
    int flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep,
    int *lengthp);
```

`ddi_getlongprop_buf(9F)` is a wrapper around `ddi_prop_op(9F)`. It is used to retrieve a property having a value of arbitrary length and to copy that value into a buffer supplied by the driver. `valuep` must point to this buffer.

```
int ddi_prop_lookup_int_array(dev_t match_dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, u_int flags, char *name,
    int **datap, u_int *nelementsp);
```

```
int ddi_prop_lookup_string_array(dev_t match_dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, u_int flags, char *name,
    char **datap, u_int *nelementsp);
```

```
int ddi_prop_lookup_string(dev_t match_dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, u_int flags, char *name,
    char **datap);
```

```
int ddi_prop_lookup_byte_array(dev_t match_dev,
    dev_info_t *dip, u_int flags, char *name,
    u_char **datap, u_int *nelementsp);
```

```
void ddi_prop_free(void *data);
```

The property look up routines search for and, if bound, returns the value of a given property. Properties are searched for based on the `dip`, `name`, `match_dev`, and the type of the data (integer, string or byte). The property search order is as follows:

1. Search software properties created by the driver.



2. Search the software properties created by the system (or nexus nodes in the device info tree).
3. Search the driver global properties list.
4. If `DDI_PROP_NOTPROM` is not set, search the PROM properties (if they exist).
5. If `DDI_PROP_DONTPASS` is not set, pass this request to the parent device information node.
6. Return `DDI_PROP_NOT_FOUND`.

```
int ddi_getproplen(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip,
                  int flags, char *name, int *lengthp);
```

`ddi_getproplen(9F)` is a wrapper around `ddi_prop_op(9F)` that passes back in the location pointed to by `lengthp` the length of the property identified by `name`.

## *Register and Memory Mapping*

These interfaces support the mapping of device memory and device registers into kernel memory so a device driver can address them.'

```
int ddi_segmap(dev_t dev, off_t offset, struct as *as,
              caddr_t *addrp, off_t len, u_int prot,
              u_int maxprot, u_int flags, cred_t *credp);
```

`ddi_segmap(9F)` supports the `mmap(2)` system call, which allows application programs to map device memory into their address spaces. `ddi_segmap(9F)` should be used as the `segmap(9E)` entry in the `cb_ops(9S)` structure.

```
int ddi_mapdev(dev_t dev, off_t offset, struct as *as,
               caddr_t *addrp, off_t len, u_int prot,
               u_int maxprot, u_int flags, cred_t *credp,
               struct ddi_mapdev_ctl *ctl,
               ddi_mapdev_handle_t *handle, void *devprivate);
```

`ddi_mapdev(9F)` sets up user mappings to device space in the same manner as `ddi_segmap(9F)`. However, unlike mappings created with `ddi_segmap(9F)`, mappings created with `ddi_mapdev(9F)` have a set of driver entry points and a mapping handle associated with them. The driver is notified via these entry points in response to user events on the mappings.

```
int ddi_mapdev_intercept(ddi_mapdev_handle_t *handle,
                          off_t offset, off_t len);
```

```
int ddi_mapdev_nointercept(ddi_mapdev_handle_t
                            *handle, off_t offset, off_t len);
```

`ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` and `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` control whether or not user accesses to the device mappings created by `ddi_mapdev(9F)` in the specified range will generate an access event notification to the device driver.

`ddi_mapdev_intercept(9F)` tells the system to intercept mapping accesses and invalidates the mapping translations. `ddi_mapdev_nointercept(9F)` prevents the system from intercepting mapping accesses and validates the mapping translations.

```
int ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr
    (ddi_mapdev_handle_t mapping_handle,
     off_t offset, off_t len,
     ddi_device_acc_attr_t *accattrp, uint_t rnumber);
```

`ddi_mapdev_set_device_acc_attr()` assigns device access attributes to a range of device memory in the register set given by `rnumber`.

```
int ddi_dev_nregs(dev_info_t *dip, int *resultp);
```

`ddi_dev_nregs(9F)` passes back in the location pointed to by `resultp` the number of register specifications a device has.

```
int ddi_dev_regsize(dev_info_t *dip, u_int rnumber,
                   off_t *resultp);
```

`ddi_dev_regsize(9F)` passes back in the location pointed to by `resultp` the size of the register set identified by `rnumber` on the device identified by `dip`.

```
int ddi_map_regs(dev_info_t *dip, u_int rnumber,
                 caddr_t *kaddrp, off_t offset, off_t len);
```

`ddi_map_regs(9F)` maps the register specification identified by `rnumber` on the device identified by `dip` into kernel memory starting at `offset` bytes from the base of the register specification. `ddi_map_regs(9F)` then passes back in the location pointed to by `kaddrp` a pointer to the base of the register specification plus `offset`.

```
int ddi_regs_map_setup(dev_info_t *dip, uint_t
                       rnumber, caddr_t *addrp, offset_t offset,
                       offset_t len, ddi_device_acc_attr_t *accattrp,
                       ddi_acc_handle_t *handlep);
```

`ddi_regs_map_setup()` maps in the register set given by `rnumber`. The register number determines which register set is mapped if more than one exists.

```
int ddi_segmap(dev_t dev, off_t offset,
               struct as *asp, caddr_t *addrp, off_t len,
               u_int prot, u_int maxprot, u_int flags,
               cred_t *credp);
```

```
int ddi_segmap_setup(dev_t dev, off_t offset,
                     struct as *asp, caddr_t *addrp, off_t len,
                     u_int prot, u_int maxprot, u_int flags,
                     cred_t *credp, ddi_device_acc_attr_t *accattrp,
                     uint_t rnumber);
```

`ddi_segmap()` and `ddi_segmap_setup()` provide the driver with the default kernel segment driver and set up user mappings to the device space.

When an address in the mapping faults, the driver's `mmap()` entry point is called to retrieve the page frame number. The mapping translations for the page are then loaded on behalf of the driver.

```
void ddi_unmap_regs(dev_info_t *dip, u_int rnumber,  
    caddr_t *kaddrp, off_t offset, off_t len);
```

`ddi_unmap_regs(9F)` unmaps the register specification identified by `rnumber` on the device identified by `dip`. The associated mapping resources are freed, and the driver may no longer address the registers.

```
void ddi_regs_map_free(ddi_acc_handle_t *handle);
```

`ddi_regs_map_setup()` frees the mapping represented by the data access handle. This function is provided for drivers preparing to detach themselves from the system, allowing them to release allocated system resources represented in the handle.

```
int pci_config_setup(dev_info_t *dip,  
    ddi_acc_handle_t *handle);  
void pci_config_teardown(ddi_acc_handle_t *handle);
```

`pci_config_setup()` sets up the necessary resources for enabling subsequent data accesses to the PCI Local Bus Configuration space.

`pci_config_teardown()` reclaims and removes those resources represented by the data access handle returned from `pci_config_setup()`.

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```
uchar_t pci_config_getb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                        ulong_t offset);  
ushort_t pci_config_getw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                        ulong_t offset);  
ulong_t pci_config_getl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                        ulong_t offset);  
unsigned long pci_config_getll  
    (ddi_acc_handle_t handle, ulong_t offset);  
void pci_config_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    ulong_t offset, uchar_t value);  
void pci_config_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    ulong_t offset, ushort_t value);  
void pci_config_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    ulong_t offset, ulong_t value);  
void pci_config_putll(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                     ulong_t offset, unsigned long long value);
```

These routines read/write a single datum of various sizes from/to the PCI Local Bus Configuration space. The `pci_config_getb()`, `pci_config_getw()`, `pci_config_getl()`, and `pci_config_getll()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits, and 64 bits of data, respectively. The `pci_config_putb()`, `pci_config_putw()`, `pci_config_putl()`, and `pci_config_putll()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, 32 bits, and 64 bits of data, respectively. The offset argument must be a multiple of the datum size.

Since the PCI Local Bus Configuration space is represented in little endian data format, these functions translate the data from/to native host format to/from little endian format.

`pci_config_setup(9F)` must be called before invoking these functions.

## I/O Port Access

These interfaces support the accessing of device registers from the device driver.

```
unsigned char inb(int port);
unsigned short inw(int port);
unsigned long inl(int port);
void repinsb(int port, unsigned char *addr, int count);
void repinsw(int port, unsigned short *addr,
             int count);
void repinsd(int port, unsigned long *addr, int count);
```

These routines read data of various sizes from the I/O port with the address specified by `port`.

The `inb(9F)`, `inw(9F)`, and `inl(9F)` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits of data respectively, returning the resulting values.

The `repinsb(9F)`, `repinsw(9F)`, and `repinsd(9F)` functions read multiple 8-bit, 16-bit, and 32-bit values, respectively. `count` specifies the number of values to be read. `addr` is a pointer to a buffer that will receive the input data. The buffer must be long enough to hold `count` values of the requested size.

```
uchar_t ddi_io_getb( ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                    int dev_port);
ushort_t ddi_io_getw( ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                     int dev_port);
ulong_t ddi_io_getl( ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
                    int dev_port);
```

These routines generate a read of various sizes from the device port, `developer`, in I/O space. The `ddi_io_getb()`, `ddi_io_getw()`, and `ddi_io_getl()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits of data, respectively, from the device port, `dev_port`.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle.

The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_io_rep_getb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    uchar_t *host_addr, int dev_port,
    uint_t recount);

void ddi_io_rep_getw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ushort_t *host_addr, int dev_port,
    uint_t recount);

void ddi_io_rep_getl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,
    ulong_t *host_addr, int dev_port,
    uint_t recount);
```

These routines generate multiple reads from the device port, `dev_port`, in I/O space, `recount` data is copied from the device port, `dev_port`, to the host address, `host_addr`. For each input datum, the `ddi_io_rep_getb()`, `ddi_io_rep_getw()`, and `ddi_io_rep_getl()` functions read 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32bits of data, respectively, from the device port. `host_addr` must be aligned to the datum boundary described by the function.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void outb(int port, unsigned char value);
void outw(int port, unsigned short value);
void outl(int port, unsigned long value);
void repoutsb(int port, unsigned char *addr,
    int count);
void repoutsw(int port, unsigned short *addr,
    int count);
void repoutsd(int port, unsigned long *addr,
    int count);
```

These routines write data of various sizes to the I/O port with the address specified by `port`.

The `outb(9F)`, `outw(9F)`, and `outl(9F)` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits of data respectively, writing the data specified by `value`.

The `repoutsb(9F)`, `repoutsw(9F)`, and `repoutsd(9F)` functions write multiple 8-bit, 16-bit, and 32-bit values, respectively. `count` specifies the number of values to be written. `addr` is a pointer to a buffer from which the output values are fetched.

```
void ddi_io_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                int dev_port, uchar_t value);  
  
void ddi_io_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                int dev_port, ushort_t value);  
  
void ddi_io_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                int dev_port, ulong_t value);
```

These routines generate a write of various sizes to the device port, `dev_port`, in I/O space. The `ddi_io_putb()`, `ddi_io_putw()`, and `ddi_io_putl()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits of data, respectively, to the device port, `dev_port`.

Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

```
void ddi_io_rep_putb(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    uchar_t *host_addr, int dev_port,  
                    uint_t recount);  
  
void ddi_io_rep_putw(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    ushort_t *host_addr, int dev_port,  
                    uint_t recount);  
  
void ddi_io_rep_putl(ddi_acc_handle_t handle,  
                    ulong_t *host_addr, int dev_port,  
                    uint_t recount);
```

These routines generate multiple writes to the device port, `dev_port`, in I/O space. `recount` data is copied from the host address, `host_addr`, to the device port, `dev_port`. For each input datum, the `ddi_io_rep_putb()`, `ddi_io_rep_putw()`, and `ddi_io_rep_putl()` functions write 8 bits, 16 bits, and 32 bits of data, respectively, to the device port. `host_addr` must be aligned to the datum boundary described by the function.



Each individual datum will automatically be translated to maintain a consistent view between the host and the device based on the encoded information in the data access handle. The translation may involve byte-swapping if the host and the device have incompatible endian characteristics.

## SCSI and SCSA

These interfaces are part of the Sun Common SCSI Interface, routines that support the writing of “target drivers” to drive SCSI devices. Most of these routines handle allocating SCSI command “packets”, formulating SCSI commands within those packets, and “transporting” the packets to the host adapter driver for execution. See Chapter 10, “SCSI Target Drivers.”

```
struct scsi_pkt *get_pktiopb(struct scsi_address *ap,  
    caddr_t *datap, int cdblen, int statuslen,  
    int datalen, int readflag,  
    int (*callback)(void));
```

`get_pktiopb(9F)` allocates a SCSI packet structure with a small data area in the system IOPB (I/O parameter block) map for the target device denoted by `ap`. `get_pktiopb(9F)` calls `scsi_dmaget(9F)` to allocate the data area, and calls `scsi_realloc(9F)` to allocate the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure itself. If `func` is not `NULL_FUNC` and resources cannot be allocated right away, the function pointed to by `func` will be called when resources may have become available. `func` can call `get_pktiopb(9F)` again. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_dmaget(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

Target drivers often use `get_pktiopb()` to allocate packets for the `REQUEST SENSE` or `INQUIRY` SCSI commands, which need a small amount of cache-consistent memory. Use IOPB packets sparingly, though, because they are allocated from scarce DMA memory resources.

```
void free_pktiopb(struct scsi_pkt *pkt, caddr_t datap,  
    int datalen);
```

`free_pktiopb(9F)` frees a `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure and related DMA resources previously allocated by `get_pktiopb(9F)`.

```
void makecom_g0(struct scsi_pkt *pkt,  
                struct scsi_device *devp, int flag,  
                int cmd, int addr, int cnt);
```

`makecom_g0(9F)` formulates a group 0 SCSI command for the target device denoted by `devp` in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt`. The target must be a non-sequential access device. Use `makecom_g0_s(9F)` to formulate group 0 commands for sequential access devices.

```
void makecom_g0_s(struct scsi_pkt *pkt,  
                  struct scsi_device *devp, int flag, int cmd,  
                  int cnt, int fixbit);
```

`makecom_g0_s(9F)` formulates a group 0 SCSI command for the sequential access target device denoted by `devp` in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt`. Use `makecom_g0(9F)` to formulate group 0 commands for non-sequential access devices.

```
void makecom_g1(struct scsi_pkt *pkt,  
                struct scsi_device *devp, int flag, int cmd,  
                int addr, int cnt);
```

`makecom_g1(9F)` formulates a group 1 SCSI command for the target device denoted by `devp` in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt`.

```
void makecom_g5(struct scsi_pkt *pkt,  
                struct scsi_device *devp, int flag, int cmd,  
                int addr, int cnt);
```

`makecom_g5(9F)` formulates a group 5 SCSI command for the target device denoted by `devp` in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt`.

```
int scsi_abort(struct scsi_address *ap,  
               struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
```

`scsi_abort(9F)` cancels the command encoded in the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt` at the SCSI address denoted by `ap`. To indicate the current target, pass in `ap` the `sd_address` field of the `scsi_device(9S)` structure for the target. To abort the current command, pass `NULL` for `pkt`.

```
struct buf *scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(  
    struct scsi_address *ap, struct buf *bp,  
    int datalen, ulong bflags,  
    int (*callback)(caddr_t), caddr_t arg);
```

`scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)` allocates a buffer header and the associated data buffer for direct memory access (DMA) transfer. This buffer is allocated from the IOPB space, which is considered consistent memory. If `bp` is NULL, a new buffer header will be allocated using `getrbuf(9F)`. If `datalen` is non-zero, a new buffer will be allocated using `ddi_iopb_alloc(9F)`.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and the requested DMA resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. `callback` can call `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)` again. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
char *scsi_cname(u_char cmd, char **cmdvec);
```

`scsi_cname(9F)` searches for the command code `cmd` in the command vector `cmdvec`, and returns the command name. Each string in `cmdvec` starts with a one-character command code, followed by the name of the command. To use `scsi_cname(9F)`, the driver must define a command vector that contains strings of this kind for all the SCSI commands it supports.

```
struct scsi_pkt *scsi_dmaget(struct scsi_pkt *pkt,  
    opaque_t dmatoken, int (*callback)(void));
```

`scsi_dmaget(9F)` allocates resources for an existing `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt`. Pass in `dmatoken` a pointer to the `buf(9S)` structure that encodes original I/O request.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and the requested DMA resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. `callback` can call `scsi_dmaget(9F)` again. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_dmaget(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
void scsi_dmafree(struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
```

`scsi_dmafree(9F)` frees the DMA resources previously allocated by `scsi_dmaget(9F)` for the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure `pkt`.

```
char *scsi_dname(int dtype);
```

`scsi_dname(9F)` decodes the device type code `dtype` found in the INQUIRY data and returns a character string denoting this device type.

```
void scsi_free_consistent_buf(struct buf *bp);
```

`scsi_free_consistent_buf(9F)` frees a buffer header and consistent data buffer that was previously allocated using `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)`.

```
int scsi_hba_attach_setup(dev_info_t *dip,  
    ddi_dma_attr_t *hba_dma_attr,  
    scsi_hba_tran_t *hba_tran, int hba_flags);
```

```
int scsi_hba_attach(dev_info_t *dip,  
    ddi_dma_lim_t *hba_lim,  
    scsi_hba_tran_t *hba_tran, int hba_flags,  
    void *hba_options);
```

`scsi_hba_attach()` registers the DMA limits `hba_lim` and the transport vectors `hba_tran` of each instance of the HBA device defined by `dip`.

`scsi_hba_attach_setup()` registers the DMA attributes `hba_dma_attr` and the transport vectors `hba_tran` of each instance of the HBA device defined by `dip`. The HBA driver can pass different DMA limits or DMA attributes, and transport vectors for each instance of the device, as necessary, to support any constraints imposed by the HBA itself.

`scsi_hba_attach()` and `scsi_hba_attach_setup()` use the `dev_bus_ops` field in the `dev_ops(9S)` structure. The HBA driver should initialize this field to NULL before calling `scsi_hba_attach()` or `scsi_hba_attach_setup()`.

```
int scsi_hba_detach(dev_info_t *dip);
```

`scsi_hba_detach()` removes the reference to the DMA limits or attributes structure and the transport vector for the given instance of an HBA driver.

```
int scsi_ifgetcap(struct scsi_address *ap,  
                 char *cap, int whom);
```

`scsi_ifgetcap(9F)` returns the current value of the host adapter capability denoted by `cap` for the host adapter servicing the target at the SCSI address pointed to by `ap`. See the manual page for a list of supported capabilities. `whom` indicates whether the capability applies only to the target at the specified SCSI address, or to all targets serviced by the host adapter.

```
int scsi_ifsetcap(struct scsi_address *ap,  
                 char *cap, int value, int whom);
```

`scsi_ifsetcap(9F)` sets the current value of the host adapter capability denoted by `cap`, for the host adapter servicing the target at the SCSI address pointed to by `ap`, to `value`. See the manual page for a list of supported capabilities. `whom` indicates whether the capability applies only to the target at the specified SCSI address, or to all targets serviced by the host adapter.

```
struct scsi_pkt *scsi_init_pkt(  
    struct scsi_address *ap, struct scsi_pkt *pktp,  
    struct buf *bp, int cmdlen, int statuslen,  
    int privatelen, int flags,  
    int (*callback)(caddr_t), caddr_t arg);
```

`scsi_init_pkt(9F)` requests the transport layer to allocate a command packet for commands and, possibly, data transfers. If `pktp` is NULL, a new `scsi_pkt(9S)` is allocated. If `bp` is non-NULL and contains a valid byte count, the `buf(9S)` structure is set up for DMA transfer. If `bp` was allocated by `scsi_alloc_consistent_buf(9F)`, the `PKT_CONSISTENT` flag must be set. If `privatelen` is set, additional space is allocated for the `pkt_private` area of the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure, otherwise `pkt_private` is a pointer that is typically used to store the `bp` during execution of the command. The flags are set in the command portion of the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and the requested DMA resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. `callback` can call `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` again. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_init_pkt(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
char *scsi_mname(u_char msg);
```

`scsi_mname(9F)` decodes the SCSI message code `msg` and returns the corresponding message string.

```
struct scsi_pkt *scsi_pktalloc(  
    struct scsi_address *ap, int cmdlen,  
    int statuslen, int (*callback)(void));
```

`scsi_pktalloc(9F)` allocates and returns a pointer to a SCSI command packet for the target at the SCSI address pointed to by `ap`. `cmdlen` and `statuslen` tell `scsi_pktalloc(9F)` what size command descriptor block (CDB) and status completion block (SCB) to allocate. Use `scsi_pktalloc(9F)` only for commands that do no actual I/O. Use `scsi_realloc(9F)` for I/O commands.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and the requested DMA resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_pktalloc(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
void scsi_pktfree(struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
```

`scsi_pktfree(9F)` frees the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt` that was previously allocated by `scsi_pktalloc(9F)`.

```
int scsi_poll(struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
```

`scsi_poll(9F)` transports the command packet pointed to by `pkt` to the host adapter driver for execution and waits for it to complete before it returns. Use `scsi_poll(9F)` sparingly and only for commands that must execute synchronously.

```
int scsi_probe(struct scsi_device *devp,  
    int (*callback)(void *));
```

`scsi_probe(9F)` determines whether a target/lun is present and sets up the `scsi_device(9S)` structure with inquiry data. `scsi_probe(9F)` uses the SCSI `INQUIRY` command to test if the device exists. It may retry the `INQUIRY`

command as appropriate. If `scsi_probe(9F)` is successful, it will fill in the `scsi_inquiry(9S)` structure pointed to by the `sd_inq` member of the `scsi_device(9S)` structure, and return `SCSI_PROBE_EXISTS`.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and necessary resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_probe(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
struct scsi_pkt *scsi_realloc(  
    struct scsi_address *ap, int cmdlen,  
    int statuslen, opaque_t dmatoken,  
    int (*callback)(void));
```

`scsi_realloc(9F)` allocates and returns a pointer to a SCSI command packet for the target at the SCSI address pointed to by `ap`. `cmdlen` and `statuslen` tell `scsi_realloc(9F)` what size command descriptor block (CDB) and status completion block (SCB) to allocate. Pass in `dmatoken` a pointer to the `buf(9S)` structure encoding the original I/O request. Use `scsi_pktalloc(9F)` for commands that do no actual I/O.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and the requested DMA resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_realloc(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
int scsi_reset(struct scsi_address *ap, int level);
```

`scsi_reset(9F)` requests the host adapter driver to reset the target at the SCSI address pointed to by `ap` if `level` is `RESET_TARGET`. If `level` is `RESET_ALL`, the entire SCSI bus is reset.

```
void scsi_resfree(struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
```

`scsi_resfree(9F)` frees the `scsi_pkt(9S)` structure pointed to by `pkt` and related DMA resources that were previously allocated by `scsi_realloc(9F)`.

```
char *scsi_rname(u_char reason);
```

`scsi_rname(9F)` decodes the packet completion reason code `reason`, and returns the corresponding reason string.

```
int scsi_slave(struct scsi_device *devp,  
              int (*callback)(void));
```

`scsi_slave(9F)` issues, to the device indicated by `devp`, a `TEST UNIT READY` command, one or more `REQUEST SENSE` commands, and an `INQUIRY` command to determine whether the target is present and ready. It returns a code indicating the state of the target.

If `callback` is not `NULL_FUNC` and necessary resources are not immediately available, the function pointed to by `callback` will be called when resources may have become available. If `callback` is `SLEEP_FUNC`, `scsi_slave(9F)` may block waiting for resources.

```
char *scsi_sname(u_char sense_key);
```

`scsi_sname(9F)` decodes the SCSI sense key `sense_key`, and returns the corresponding sense key string.

```
int scsi_transport(struct scsi_pkt *pkt);
```

`scsi_transport(9F)` requests the host adapter driver to schedule the command packet pointed to by `pkt` for execution. Use `scsi_transport(9F)` to issue most SCSI command. `scsi_poll(9F)` may be used to issue synchronous commands.

```
void scsi_unprobe(struct scsi_device *devp);
```

`scsi_unprobe(9F)` is used to free any resources that were allocated on the driver's behalf during `scsi_probe(9F)`.

```
void scsi_unslave(struct scsi_device *devp);
```

`scsi_unslave(9F)` is used to free any resources that were allocated on the driver's behalf during `scsi_slave(9F)`.



## *Soft State Management*

These interfaces comprise the soft state structure allocator, a facility that simplifies the management of state structures for driver instances. These routines are the recommended way to keep track of per instance data.

```
int ddi_soft_state_init(void **state_p,  
                        size_t size, size_t n_items);
```

`ddi_soft_state_init(9F)` sets up the soft state allocator to keep track of soft state structures for all device instances. `state_p` points a pointer to an opaque object that keeps track of the soft state structures.

```
void ddi_soft_state_fini(void **state_p);
```

`ddi_soft_state_fini(9F)` is the inverse operation to `ddi_soft_state_init(9F)`. `state_p` points a pointer to an opaque object that keeps track of the soft state structures.

```
int ddi_soft_state_zalloc(void *state, int item);
```

`ddi_soft_state_zalloc(9F)` allocates and zeroes a new instance of a soft state structure. `statep` points to an opaque object that keeps track of the soft state structures.

```
void *ddi_get_soft_state(void *state, int item);
```

`ddi_get_soft_state(9F)` returns a pointer to the soft state structure for the device instance `item`. `statep` points to an opaque object that keeps track of the soft state structures.

```
void ddi_soft_state_free(void *state, int item);
```

`ddi_soft_state_free(9F)` releases the resources associated with the soft state structure for `item`. `statep` points to an opaque object that keeps track of the soft state structures.

## *String Manipulation*

These interfaces are generic string manipulation utilities similar to, and in most cases identical to the routines of the same names defined in the standard C library used by application programmers.

```
int stoi(char **str);
```

`stoi(9F)` converts the ASCII decimal numeric string pointed to by `*str` to an integer and returns the integer. `*str` is updated to point to the last character examined.

```
void numtos(unsigned long num, char *s);
```

`numtos(9F)` converts the integer `num` to an ASCII decimal string and copies the string to the location pointed to by `s`. The driver must provide the storage for the string `s` and assure that it can contain the result.

```
char *strchr(const char *str, int chr);
```

`strchr(9F)` returns a pointer to the first occurrence of the character `chr` in the string pointed to by `str`, or `NULL`, if `chr` is not found in the string.

```
int strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2);
```

`strcmp(9F)` compares two null-terminated character strings. It returns zero if they are identical; otherwise, it returns a non-zero value.

```
int strncmp(const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n);
```

`strncmp(9F)` compares the first `n` characters of the two strings. It returns zero if these characters are identical; otherwise, it returns a non-zero value.

```
char *strcpy(char *dst, const char *srs);
```

`strcpy(9F)` copies the character string pointed to by `srs` to the location pointed to by `dst`. The driver must provide storage for the string `dst` and assure that it is long enough.

```
char *strncpy(char *dst, const char *srs, size_t n);
```

`strncpy(9F)` copies `n` characters from the string pointed to by `srs` to the string pointed to by `dst`. The driver must provide storage for the string `dst` and assure that it is long enough.

```
size_t strlen(const char *sp);
```

`strlen(9F)` returns the length of the character string pointed to by `sp`, not including the null-termination character.

## *System Information*

These interfaces return current information about the system, such as the root node of the system `dev_info` tree, and the values of certain system-wide parameters.

```
dev_info_t *ddi_root_node(void);
```

`ddi_root_node(9F)` returns a pointer to the root node of the system `dev_info` tree. Device drivers rarely use this.

```
int drv_getparm(unsigned long parm,  
                unsigned long *valuep);
```

`drv_getparm(9F)` retrieves the value of the system parameter `parm` and returns that value in the location pointed to by `valuep`. See the manual page for a list of possible parameters.

## *Thread Synchronization*

These interfaces allow a device to exploit multiple CPUs on multiprocessor machines. They prevent the corruption of data by simultaneous access by more than one thread. The mechanisms for doing this are mutual exclusion locks (mutexes), condition variables, readers/writer locks, and semaphores.

```
void cv_init(kcondvar_t *cvp, char *name,  
            kcv_type_t type, void *arg);
```

`cv_init(9F)` prepares the condition variable pointed to by `cvp` for use. `CV_DRIVER` should be specified for `type`.

```
void cv_destroy(kcondvar_t *cvp);
```

`cv_destroy(9F)` releases the resources associated with the condition variable pointed to by `cvp`.

```
void cv_wait(kcondvar_t *cvp, kmutex_t *mp);
```

`cv_wait(9F)` must be called while holding the mutex pointed to by `mp`. `cv_wait(9F)` releases the mutex and blocks until a call is made to `cv_signal(9F)` or `cv_broadcast(9F)` for the condition variable pointed to by `cvp`. `cv_wait(9F)` then reacquires the mutex and returns.

Use `cv_wait(9F)` to block on a condition that may take a while to change.

```
void cv_signal(kcondvar_t *cvp);
```

`cv_signal(9F)` unblocks one `cv_wait(9F)` call that is blocked on the condition variable pointed to by `cvp`. Call `cv_signal(9F)` when the condition that `cv_wait(9F)` is waiting for becomes true. To unblock all threads blocked on this condition variable, use `cv_broadcast(9F)`.

```
void cv_broadcast(kcondvar_t *cvp);
```

`cv_broadcast(9F)` unblocks all threads that are blocked on the condition variable pointed to by `cvp`. To unblock only one thread, use `cv_signal(9F)`.

```
int cv_wait_sig(kcondvar_t *cvp, kmutex_t *mp);
```

`cv_wait_sig(9F)` is like `cv_wait(9F)`, but if the calling thread receives a signal while `cv_wait_sig(9F)` is blocked, `cv_wait_sig(9F)` immediately reacquires the mutex and returns zero.

```
int cv_timedwait(kcondvar_t *cvp, kmutex_t *mp,  
                long timeout);
```

`cv_timedwait(9F)` is like `cv_wait(9F)`, but it returns -1 at time *timeout* if the condition has not occurred. *timeout* is given as a number of clock ticks since the last reboot. `drv_usectohz(9F)` converts microseconds, a platform independent time, to clock ticks.

```
int cv_timedwait_sig(kcondvar_t *cvp, kmutex_t *mp,  
                    long timeout);
```

`cv_timedwait_sig(9F)` is like `cv_timedwait(9F)` and `cv_wait_sig(9F)`, except that it returns -1 at time *timeout* if the condition has not occurred. If the calling thread receives a signal while `cv_timedwait_sig(9F)` is blocked, `cv_timedwait_sig(9F)` immediately returns zero. In all cases, `cv_timedwait_sig(9F)` reacquires the mutex before returning.

```
void mutex_init(kmutex_t *mp, char *name,  
               kmutex_type_t type, void *arg);
```

`mutex_init(9F)` prepares the mutual exclusion lock pointed to by `mp` for use. `MUTEX_DRIVER` should be specified for `type`, and pass an interrupt block cookie of type `ddi_iblock_cookie_t` for `arg`. The interrupt block cookie is returned by `ddi_add_intr(9F)`.

```
void mutex_enter(kmutex_t *mp);
```

`mutex_enter(9F)` acquires the mutual exclusion lock pointed to by `mp`. If another thread holds the mutex, `mutex_enter(9F)` will either block, or spin waiting for the mutex to become available.

Mutexes are not reentrant: if a thread calls `mutex_enter(9F)` on a mutex it already holds, the system will panic.

`mp` is assumed to protect a certain set of data, often a single data structure, and all driver threads accessing those data must first acquire the mutex by calling `mutex_enter(9F)`. This is accomplished by mutual agreement and consistency among all driver code paths that access the data in question;

`mutex_enter(9F)` in no way prevents other threads from accessing the data. It is only when all driver code paths agree to acquire the mutex before accessing the data that the data are safe.

```
void mutex_exit(kmutex_t *mp);
```

`mutex_exit(9F)` releases the mutual exclusion lock pointed to by `mp`.

```
void mutex_destroy(kmutex_t *mp);
```

`mutex_destroy(9F)` releases the resources associated with the mutual exclusion lock pointed to by `mp`.

```
int mutex_owned(kmutex_t *mp);
```

`mutex_owned(9F)` returns non-zero if the mutual exclusion lock pointed to by `mp` is currently held; otherwise, it returns zero. Use `mutex_owned(9F)` *only* in an expression used in `ASSERT(9F)`.

```
int mutex_tryenter(kmutex_t *mp);
```

`mutex_tryenter(9F)` is similar to `mutex_enter(9F)`, but it does not block waiting for the mutex to become available. If the mutex is held by another thread, `mutex_tryenter(9F)` returns zero. Otherwise, `mutex_tryenter(9F)` acquires the mutex and returns non-zero.

```
void rw_destroy(krwlock_t *rwlp);
```

`rw_destroy(9F)` releases the resources associated with the readers/writer lock pointed to by `rwlp`.

```
void rw_downgrade(krwlock_t *rwlp);
```

If the calling thread holds the lock pointed to by `rwlp` for writing, `rw_downgrade(9F)` releases the lock for writing, but retains the lock for reading. This allows other readers to acquire the lock unless a thread is waiting to acquire the lock for writing.

```
void rw_enter(krwlock_t *rwlp, krw_t enter_type);
```

If `enter_type` is `RW_READER`, `rw_enter(9F)` acquires the lock pointed to by `rwlp` for reading if no thread currently holds the lock for writing, and if no thread is waiting to acquire the lock for writing. Otherwise, `rw_enter(9F)` blocks.

If `enter_type` is `RW_WRITER`, `rw_enter(9F)` acquires the lock for writing if no thread holds the lock for reading or writing, and if no other thread is waiting to acquire the lock for writing. Otherwise, `rw_enter(9F)` blocks.

```
void rw_exit(krwlock_t *rwlp);
```

`rw_exit(9F)` releases the lock pointed to by `rwlp`.

```
void rw_init(krwlock_t *rwlp, char *name,  
            krw_type_t type, void *arg);
```

`rw_init(9F)` prepares the readers/writer lock pointed to by `rwlp` for use. `RW_DRIVER` should be passed for `type`.

```
int rw_read_locked(krwlock_t *rwlp);
```

The lock pointed to by `rwlp` must be held during a call to `rw_read_locked(9F)`. If the calling thread holds the lock for reading, `rw_read_locked(9F)` returns a non-zero value. If the calling thread holds the lock for writing, `rw_read_locked(9F)` returns zero.

```
int rw_tryenter(krwlock_t *rwlp, krw_t enter_type);
```

`rw_tryenter(9F)` attempts to enter the lock, like `rw_enter(9F)`, but never blocks. It returns a non-zero value if the lock was successfully entered, and zero otherwise.

```
int rw_tryupgrade(krwlock_t *rwlp);
```

If the calling thread holds the lock pointed to by `rwlp` for reading, `rw_tryupgrade(9F)` acquires the lock for writing if no other threads hold the lock, and no thread is waiting to acquire the lock for writing. If `rw_tryupgrade(9F)` cannot acquire the lock for writing, it returns zero.

```
void sema_init(ksema_t *sp, u_int val, char *name,  
               ksema_type_t type, void *arg);
```

`sema_init(9F)` prepares the semaphore pointed to by `sp` for use. `SEMA_DRIVER` should be passed for `type`. `count` is the initial count for the semaphore, which usually should be 1 or 0. In almost all cases, drivers should pass 1 for `count`.

```
void sema_destroy(ksema_t *sp);
```

`sema_destroy(9F)` releases the resources associated with the semaphore pointed to by `sp`.

```
void sema_p(ksema_t *sp);
```

`sema_p(9F)` acquires the semaphore pointed to by `sp` by decrementing the counter if its value is greater than zero. If the semaphore counter is zero, `sema_p(9F)` blocks waiting to acquire the semaphore.

```
int sema_p_sig(ksema_t *sp);
```

`sema_p_sig(9F)` is like `sema_p(9F)`, except that if the calling thread has a signal pending, and the semaphore counter is zero, `sema_p_sig(9F)` returns zero without blocking.

```
void sema_v(ksema_t *sp);
```

`sema_v(9F)` releases the semaphore pointed to by `sp` by incrementing its counter.

```
int sema_try_p(ksema_t *sp);
```

`sema_try_p(9F)` is similar to `sema_p(9F)`, but if the semaphore counter is zero, `sema_try_p(9F)` immediately returns zero.

## *Timing*

These are delay and time value conversion routines.



```
void delay(long ticks);
```

`delay(9F)` blocks the calling thread for at least `ticks` clock ticks (using `timeout(9F)`).

```
void drv_usecwait(clock_t microsecs);
```

`drv_usecwait(9F)` busy-waits for `microsecs` microseconds.

```
clock_t drv_hztousec(clock_t hertz);
```

`drv_hztousec(9F)` converts `hertz` clock ticks to microseconds, and returns the number of microseconds.

```
clock_t drv_usectohz(clock_t microsecs);
```

`drv_usectohz(9F)` converts `microsecs` microseconds to clock ticks, and returns the number of clock ticks.

## *uio(9S) Handling*

These interfaces all deal with moving data using the `uio(9S)` data structure.

```
int uiomove(caddr_t address, long nbytes,  
            enum uio_rw rwflag, struct uio *uio_p);
```

`uiomove(9F)` copies data between the `address` and the `uio(9S)` structure pointed to by `uio_p`. If `rwflag` is `UIO_READ`, data are transferred from `address` to a data buffer associated with the `uio(9S)` structure. If `rwflag` is `UIO_WRITE`, data are transferred from a data buffer associated with the `uio(9S)` structure to `address`.

```
int ureadc(int c, uio_t *uio_p);
```

`ureadc(9F)` appends the character `c` to the a data buffer associated with the `uio(9S)` structure pointed to by `uio_p`.

```
int uwritec(uio_t *uio_p);
```

`uwritec(9F)` removes a character from a data buffer associated with the `uio(9S)` structure pointed to by `uio_p`, and returns the character.

## *Utility Functions*

These interfaces are miscellaneous utilities that driver may use.

```
void ASSERT(EX);
```

The `ASSERT(9F)` macro does nothing if `EX` evaluates to non-zero. If `EX` evaluates to zero, `ASSERT(9F)` panics the system. `ASSERT(9F)` is useful in debugging a driver, since it can be used to stop the system when an unexpected situation is encountered, such as an erroneously `NULL` pointer.

`ASSERT(9F)` exhibits this behavior only when the `DEBUG` preprocessor symbol is defined.

```
int bcmp(char *s1, char *s2, size_t len);
```

`bcmp(9F)` compares `len` bytes of the byte arrays starting at `s1` and `s2`. If these bytes are identical, `bcmp(9F)` returns zero. Otherwise, `bcmp(9F)` returns a non-zero value.

```
unsigned long btop(unsigned long numbytes);
```

`btop(9F)` converts a size `n` expressed in bytes to a size expressed in terms of the main system MMU page size, rounded down to the nearest page.

```
unsigned long btopr(unsigned long numbytes);
```

`btopr(9F)` converts a size `n` expressed in bytes to a size expressed in terms of the main system MMU page size, rounded up to the nearest page.

```
void bzero(caddr_t addr, size_t bytes);
```

`bzero(9F)` zeroes bytes starting at `addr`.

```
unsigned long ddi_btop(dev_info_t *dip,  
    unsigned long bytes);
```

ddi\_btop(9F) converts a size expressed in bytes to a size expressed in terms of the parent bus nexus page size, rounded down to the nearest page.

```
unsigned long ddi_btopr(dev_info_t *dip,  
    unsigned long bytes);
```

ddi\_btopr(9F) converts a size expressed in bytes to a size expressed in terms of the parent bus nexus page size, rounded up to the nearest page.

```
unsigned long ddi_ptob(dev_info_t *dip,  
    unsigned long pages);
```

ddi\_ptob(9F) converts a size expressed in terms of the parent bus nexus page size to a size expressed in bytes.

```
int ddi_ffs(long mask);
```

ddi\_ffs(9F) returns the number of the first (least significant) bit set in mask.

```
int ddi_fls(long mask);
```

ddi\_fls(9F) returns the number of the last (most significant) bit set in mask.

```
caddr_t ddi_get_driver_private(dev_info_t *dip);
```

ddi\_get\_driver\_private(9F) returns a pointer to the data stored in the driver-private area of the dev\_info node identified by dip.

```
void ddi_set_driver_private(dev_info_t *dip,  
    caddr_t data);
```

ddi\_set\_driver\_private(9F) sets the driver-private data of the dev\_info node identified by dip to the value data.

```
int ddi_peekc(dev_info_t *dip, char *addr,  
             char *valuep);
```

`ddi_peekc(9F)` reads a character from the address `addr` to the location pointed to by `valuep`.

```
int ddi_peeks(dev_info_t *dip, short *addr,  
             short *valuep);
```

`ddi_peeks(9F)` reads a short integer from the address `addr` to the location pointed to by `valuep`.

```
int ddi_peekl(dev_info_t *dip, long *addr,  
             long *valuep);
```

`ddi_peekl(9F)` reads a long integer from the address `addr` to the location pointed to by `valuep`.

```
int ddi_peekd(dev_info_t *dip, longlong_t *addr,  
             longlong_t *valuep);
```

`ddi_peekd(9F)` reads a double long integer from the address `addr` to the location pointed to by `valuep`.

```
int ddi_pokec(dev_info_t *dip, char *addr, char value);
```

`ddi_pokec(9F)` writes the character in `value` to the address `addr`.

```
int ddi_pokes(dev_info_t *dip, short *addr,  
             short value);
```

`ddi_pokes(9F)` writes the short integer in `value` to the address `addr`.

```
int ddi_pokel(dev_info_t *dip, long *addr, long value);
```

`ddi_pokel(9F)` writes the long integer in `value` to the address `addr`.

```
int ddi_poked(dev_info_t *dip, longlong_t *addr,  
             longlong_t value);
```

ddi\_poked(9F) writes the double long integer in `value` to the address `addr`.

```
major_t getmajor(dev_t dev);
```

getmajor(9F) decodes the major device number from `dev` and returns it.

```
minor_t getminor(dev_t dev);
```

getminor(9F) decodes the minor device number from `dev` and returns it.

```
dev_t makedevice(major_t majnum, minor_t minnum);
```

makedevice(9F) constructs and returns a device number of type `dev_t` from the major device number `majnum` and the minor device number `minnum`.

```
int max(int int1, int int2);
```

max(9F) returns the larger of the integers `int1` and `int2`.

```
int min(int int1, int int2);
```

min(9F) returns the lesser of the integers `int1` and `int2`.

```
int nodev();
```

nodev(9F) returns an error. Use `nodev(9F)` as the entry in the `cb_ops(9S)` structure for any entry point for which the driver must always fail.

```
int nulldev();
```

nulldev(9F) always returns zero, a return which for many entry points implies success. See the manual pages in Section 9 of the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook* to learn about entry point return semantics.



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```
unsigned long ptob(unsigned long numpages);
```

`ptob(9F)` converts a size expressed in terms of the main system MMU page size to a size expressed in bytes.

## Sample Driver Source Code Listings



This chapter lists all the sample driver source code available on the DDK. Sample driver names and driver descriptions are provided. Sample drivers are located in the following DDK path:

```
/opt/SUNWddk/driver_dev
```

*Table D-1* Sample driver source code listings

<b>Subdirectory</b>	<b>Driver description</b>
sst	Simple SCSI target driver
bst	Block SCSI target driver
cgsix	Graphics device driver
psli	Data link provider interface (DLPI) network driver template
pio	Programmed I/O template driver
dma	DMA driver template
ramdisk	Simple RAM disk pseudo-device driver
glm	PCI SCSI Host Bus Adapter (HBA) driver -- NCR 82C810, 820, 825
ae	PCI DLPI network device -- AMD PCnet
p9000	PCI frame buffer -- Diamond Viper/Weitek P9000
pvip	PCI frame buffer -- Diamond Viper/Weitek P9000
tblt	STREAMS input device
isp	SBus and PCI SCSI HBA driver QLogics isp 1000/1020





## *Driver Code Layout Structure*

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The code layout structure of a typical driver is given in this appendix. Sample structures and prototypes are displayed for a common device driver.

The code for a device driver is usually divided into the following files:

- Header files (.h files)
- Source files (.c files)
- Optional configuration file (`driver.conf` file)

### *Header Files*

Header files define data structures specific to the device (such as a structure representing the device registers), data structures defined by the driver for maintaining state information, defined constants (such as those representing the bits of the device registers), and macros (such as those defining the static mapping between the minor device number and the instance number).

Some of this information, such as the state structure, may only be needed by the device driver. This information should go in *private* headers. These header files are only included by the device driver itself.

Any information that an application might require, such as the I/O control commands, should be in *public* header files. These are included by the driver and any applications that need information about the device.

There is no standard for naming private and public files. One possible convention is to name the private header file `xximpl.h` and the public header file `xxio.h`. Code Example E-1, and Code Example E-2 show the layout of these headers.

*Code Example E-1* `xximpl.h` Header File

```
/* xximpl.h */
struct device_reg {
    /* fields */
};
/* #define bits of the device registers...*/
struct xxstate {
    /* fields */
};
/* related #define statements */
```

*Code Example E-2* `xxio.h` Header File

```
/* xxio.h */
struct xxioctlreq {
    /* fields */
};
/* etc. */
#define XXIIOC ('b' << 8)
#define XXIIOCTL_1 (XXIIOC | 1) /* description */
#define XXIIOCTL_2 (XXIIOC | 2) /* description */
```

## *xx.c Files*

A `.c` file for a device driver contains the data declarations and the code for the entry points of the driver. It contains the `#include` statements the driver needs, declares extern references, declares local data, sets up the `cb_ops` and `dev_ops` structures, declares and initializes the module configuration section, makes any other necessary declarations, and defines the driver entry points. The following sections describe these driver components. Code Example E-3 shows the layout of an `xx.c` file:

*Code Example E-3 xx.c File*

```
/* xx.c */
#include "xximpl.h"
#include "xxio.h"
#include <sys/ddi.h>      /* must include these two files */
#include <sys/sunddi.h>  /* and they must be the last system */
                        /* includes */

/* forward declaration of entry points */

/* static declarations of cb_ops entry point functions...*/

static struct cb_ops xx_cb_ops = {
    /* set cb_ops fields */
};

/* static declarations of dev_ops entry point functions */
static struct dev_ops xx_ops = {
    /* set dev_ops fields*/
};

/* declare and initialize the module configuration section */
static struct modldrv modldrv = {
    /* set modldrv fields */
};

static struct modlinkage modlinkage = {
    /* set modlinkage fields */
};

int
_init(void)
{
    /* definition */
}

int
_info(struct modinfo *modinfop)
{
    /* definition */
}

int
_fini(void)
{
    /* definition */
}
```

```
static int
xxidentify(dev_info_t *dip)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxprobe(dev_info_t *dip)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxattach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_attach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxdetach(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_detach_cmd_t cmd)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxgetinfo(dev_info_t *dip, ddi_info_cmd_t cmd, void *arg,
          void **result)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxopen(dev_t *devp, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxclose(dev_t dev, int flag, int otyp, cred_t *credp)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxstrategy(struct buf *bp)
{
    /* definition */
}
```

```
/* for character-oriented devices */
static int
xxread(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    /* definition */
}

/* for asynchronous I/O */
static int
xxaread(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio, cred_t *cred_p)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxwrite(dev_t dev, struct uio *uiop, cred_t *credp)
{
    /* definition */
}

/* for asynchronous I/O */
static int
xxawrite(dev_t dev, struct aio_req *aio, cred_t *cred_p)
{
    /* definition */
}

static int
xxioctl(dev_t dev, int cmd, int arg, int mode, cred_t *credp,
        int *rvalp)
{
    /* definition */
}

/* for memory-mapped character-oriented devices */
static int
xxmmap(dev_t dev, off_t off, int prot)
{
    /* definition */
}

/* for support of the poll(2) system call */
static int
xxchpoll(dev_t dev, short events, int anyyet, short *reventsp,
        struct pollhead **phpp)
{
```

```
        /* definition */
    }

    /* for drivers needing a xxprop_op routine */
    static int
    xxprop_op(dev_t dev, dev_info_t *dip, ddi_prop_op_t prop_op,
        int mod_flags, char *name, caddr_t valuep, int *lengthp)
    {
        /* definition */
    }
}
```

### ***driver.conf Files***

See `driver.conf(4)`, `sbus(4)`, `pci(4)`, `isa(4)`, `eisa(4)` and `vme(4)` for more information.

## Advanced Topics

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This appendix contains a collection of topics. Not all drivers need to be concerned with the issues addressed.

### *Multithreading*

This section supplements the guidelines presented in Chapter 4, “Multithreading,” for writing an *MT-safe driver*, a driver that safely supports multiple threads.

#### *Lock Granularity*

Here are some issues to consider when deciding on how many locks to use in a driver:

- The driver should allow as many threads as possible into the driver: this leads to *fine-grained* locking.
- However, it should not spend too much time executing the locking primitives: this approach leads to *coarse-grained* locking.
- Moreover, the code should be simple and maintainable.
- Avoid lock contention for shared data.
- Write reentrant code wherever possible. This makes it possible for many threads to execute without grabbing *any* locks.
- Use locks to protect the *data* and not the code path.

- Keep in mind the level of concurrency provided by the device: if the controller can only handle one request at a time, there is no point in spending a lot of time making the driver handle multiple threads.

A little thought in reorganizing the ordering and types of locks around such data can lead to considerable savings.

### *Avoiding Unnecessary Locks*

- Use the MT semantics of the entry points to your advantage. If an element of a device's state structure is read-mostly—for example, initialized in `attach()`, and destroyed in `detach()`, but only read in other entry points—there is no need to acquire a mutex to read that element of the structure. This may sound obvious, but blindly adding calls to `mutex_enter(9F)` and `mutex_exit(9F)` around every access to such a variable can lead to unnecessary locking overhead.
- Make all entry points reentrant and reduce the amount of shared data, by changing static variables to automatic, or by adding them to your state structure.

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**Note** – Kernel-thread stacks are small (currently 8 Kbytes), so do not allocate large automatic variables and avoid deep recursion.

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### *Locking Order*

When acquiring multiple mutexes, be sure to acquire them in the same order on each code path. For example, mutexes A and B are used to protect two resources in the following ways:

<b>Code Path 1</b>	<b>Code Path 2</b>
<code>mutex_enter(&amp;A);</code>	<code>mutex_enter(&amp;B);</code>
<code>...</code>	<code>...</code>
<code>mutex_enter(&amp;B);</code>	<code>mutex_enter(&amp;A);</code>
<code>...</code>	<code>...</code>
<code>mutex_exit(&amp;B);</code>	<code>mutex_exit(&amp;A);</code>
<code>...</code>	<code>...</code>
<code>mutex_exit(&amp;A);</code>	<code>mutex_exit(&amp;B);</code>



If thread 1 is executing code path one, and thread two is executing code path 2, the following could occur:

1. Thread one acquires mutex A.
2. Thread two acquires mutex B.
3. Thread one needs mutex B, so it blocks holding mutex A.
4. Thread two needs mutex A, so it blocks holding mutex B.

These threads are now deadlocked. This is hard to track down, and usually even more so since the code paths are rarely so straightforward. Also, it doesn't always happen, as it depends on the relative timing of threads one and two.

## *Scope of a Lock*

Experience has shown that it is easier to deal with locks that are either held throughout the execution of a routine, or locks that are both acquired and released in one routine. Avoid nesting like this:

```
static void
xxfoo(...)
{
    mutex_enter(&softc->lock);
    ...
    xxbar();
}

static void
xxbar(...)
{
    ...
    mutex_exit(&softc->lock);
}
```

This example works, but will almost certainly lead to maintenance problems.

If contention is likely in a particular code path, try to hold locks for a short time. In particular, arrange to drop locks before calling kernel routines that might block. For example:

```
mutex_enter(&softc->lock);
...
softc->foo = bar;
```

```
softc->thingp = kmem_alloc(sizeof(thing_t), KM_SLEEP);  
...  
mutex_exit(&softc->lock);
```

This is better coded as:

```
thingp = kmem_alloc(sizeof(thing_t), KM_SLEEP);  
mutex_enter(&softc->lock);  
...  
softc->foo = bar;  
softc->thingp = thingp;  
...  
mutex_exit(&softc->lock);
```

## Potential Panics

Here is a set of mutex-related panics:

```
panic: recursive mutex_enter. mutex %x caller %x
```

Mutexes are not reentrant by the same thread. If you already own the mutex, you cannot own it again. Doing this leads to the above panic.

```
panic: mutex_adaptive_exit: mutex not held by thread
```

Releasing a mutex that the current thread does not hold causes the above panic.

```
panic: lock_set: lock held and only one CPU
```

This only occurs on a uniprocessor, and says that a spin mutex is held and it would spin forever, because there is no other CPU to release it. This could happen because the driver forgot to release the mutex on one code path, or blocked while holding it.

A common cause of this panic is that the device's interrupt is high-level (see `ddi_intr_hilevel(9F)` and `Intro(9F)`), and is calling a routine that blocks the interrupt handler while holding a spin mutex. This is obvious if the driver explicitly calls `cv_wait(9F)`, but may not be so if it's blocking while grabbing an adaptive mutex with `mutex_enter(9F)`.

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**Note** – In principle, this is only a problem for drivers that operate above lock level.

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## Sun Disk Device Drivers

Sun disk devices represent an important class of block device drivers. A Sun disk device is one that is supported by disk utility commands such as `format(1M)` and `newfs(1M)`.

### Disk I/O Controls

Sun disk drivers need to support a minimum set of I/O controls specific to Sun disk drivers. These I/O controls are specified in the `dkio(7)` manual page. Disk I/O controls transfer disk information to or from the device driver. In the case where data is copied out of the driver to the user, `ddi_copyout(9F)` should be used to copy the information into the user's address space. When data is copied to the disk from the user, the `ddi_copyin(9F)` should be used to copy data into the kernel's address space. Table F-1 lists the mandatory Sun disk I/O controls.

*Table F-1* Mandatory Sun Disk I/O Controls

I/O Control	Description
DKIOCINFO	Return information describing the disk controller.
DKIOCGAPART	Return a disk's partition map.
DKIOCSAPART	Set a disk's partition map.
DKIOCGGEOM	Return a disk's geometry.
DKIOCSGEOM	Set a disk's geometry.
DKIOCGVTOC	Return a disk's Volume Table of Contents.
DKIOCSVTOC	Set a disk's Volume Table of Contents.

Sun disks may also support a number of optional `ioctl`s listed in the `hdio(7)` manual page. Table F-2 lists optional Sun disk `ioctl`s:

*Table F-2* Optional Sun Disk `Ioctl`s

I/O Control	Description
HDKIOCGTYPE	Return the disk's type.
HDKIOCSTYPE	Set the disk's type.

Table F-2 Optional Sun Disk Ioctls

I/O Control	Description
HDKIOCGBAD	Return the bad sector map of the device.
HDKIOCSBAD	Set the bad sector map for the device.
HDKIOCGDIAG	Return the diagnostic information regarding the most recent command.

## Disk Performance

The Solaris 2.x DDI/DKI provides facilities to optimize I/O transfers for improved file system performance. It supports a mechanism to manage the list of I/O requests so as to optimize disk access for a file system. See “Asynchronous Data Transfers” on page 201 for a description of enqueueing an I/O request.

The `diskhd` structure is used to manage a linked list of I/O requests.

```
struct diskhd {
    long                b_flags; /* not used, needed for */
                                /* consistency          */
    struct buf *b_forw, *b_back; /* queue of unit queues */
    struct buf *av_forw, *av_back; /* queue of bufs for this unit */
    long                b_bcount; /* active flag */
};
```

The `diskhd` data structure has two `buf` pointers which can be manipulated by the driver. The `av_forw` pointer points to the first active I/O request. The second pointer, `av_back` points to the last active request on the list.

A pointer to this structure is passed as an argument to `disksort(9F)` along with a pointer to the current `buf` structure being processed. The `disksort(9F)` routine is used to sort the `buf` requests in a fashion that optimizes disk seek and then inserts the `buf` pointer into the `diskhd` list. The `disksort` program uses the value that is in `b_resid` of the `buf` structure as a sort key. It is up to the driver to set this value. Most Sun disk drivers use the cylinder group as the sort key. This tends to optimize the file system read-ahead accesses.

Once data has been added to the `diskhd` list, the device needs to transfer the data. If the device is not busy processing a request, the `xxstart()` routine pulls the first `buf` structure off the `diskhd` list and starts a transfer.

If the device is busy, the driver should return from the `xxstrategy()` entry point. Once the hardware is done with the data transfer, it generates an interrupt. The driver's interrupt routine is then called to service the device. After servicing the interrupt, the driver can then call the `start()` routine to process the next `buf` structure in the `diskhd` list.

## SCSA

### *Global Data Definitions*

The following is information for debugging, useful when a driver runs into bus-wide problems. There is one global data variable that has been defined for the SCSA implementation: `scsi_options`. This variable is a SCSA configuration longword used for debug and control. The defined bits in the `scsi_options` longword can be found in the file `<sys/scsi/conf/autoconf.h>`, and have the following meanings when set:

*Table F-3* SCSA Options

Option	Description
SCSI_OPTIONS_DR	enable global disconnect/reconnect
SCSI_OPTIONS_SYNC	enable global synchronous transfer capability
SCSI_OPTIONS_PARITY	enable global parity support
SCSI_OPTIONS_TAG	enable global tagged queuing support
SCSI_OPTIONS_FAST	enable global FAST SCSI support: 10MB/sec transfers, as opposed to 5 MB/sec
SCSI_OPTIONS_WIDE	enable global WIDE SCSI

**Note** – The setting of `scsi_options` affects *all* host adapter and target drivers present on the system (as opposed to `scsi_ifsetcap(9F)`). Refer to `scsi_hba_attach(9F)` in the *Solaris 2.5 Reference Manual AnswerBook* for information on controlling these options for a particular host adapter.

The default setting for `scsi_options` has these values set:

- SCSI\_OPTIONS\_DR
- SCSI\_OPTIONS\_SYNC

- SCSI\_OPTIONS\_PARITY
- SCSI\_OPTIONS\_TAG
- SCSI\_OPTIONS\_FAST
- SCSI\_OPTIONS\_WIDE

## Tagged Queueing

For a definition of tagged queueing refer to the SCSI-2 specification. To support tagged queueing, first check the *scsi\_options* flag `SCSI_OPTIONS_TAG` to see if tagged queueing is enabled globally. Next, check to see if the target is a SCSI-2 device and whether it has tagged queueing enabled. If this is all true, attempt to enable tagged queueing by using `scsi_ifsetcap(9F)`. Code Example F-1 shows an example of supporting tagged queueing.

*Code Example F-1* Supporting SCSI Tagged Queueing

```
#define ROUTE &sdp->sd_address

...
/*
 * If SCSI-2 tagged queueing is supported by the disk drive and
 * by the host adapter then we will enable it.
 */

xsp->tagflags = 0;
if ((scsi_options & SCSI_OPTIONS_TAG) &&
    (devp->sd_inq->inq_rdf == RDF_SCSI2) &&
    (devp->sd_inq->inq_cmdque)) {
    if (scsi_ifsetcap(ROUTE, "tagged-qing", 1, 1) == 1) {
        xsp->tagflags = FLAG_STAG;
        xsp->throttle = 256;
    } else if (scsi_ifgetcap(ROUTE, "untagged-qing", 0) == 1) {
        xsp->dp->options |= XX_QUEUEING;
        xsp->throttle = 3;
    } else {
        xsp->dp->options &= ~XX_QUEUEING;
        xsp->throttle = 1;
    }
}
```

## *Untagged Queueing*

If tagged queueing fails, you can attempt to set untagged queueing. In this mode, you submit as many commands as you think necessary/optimal to the host adapter driver. Then, the host adapter queues the commands to the target one at a time (as opposed to tagged queueing, where the host adapter submits as many commands as it can until the target indicates that the is queue full).





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