



VXWORKS 6.X BOARD SUPPORT PACKAGE

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The VxWorks® 6.x Board Support Package course provides engineers with a fast, cost-effective way to acquire the knowledge necessary to port VxWorks to customer hardware.

After this course, participants will be able to perform the following:

- Define a BSP development strategy
- Use a hardware bringup tool to initialize a board and download code
- Write and debug BSP initialization code
- Create a basic boot loader image
- Use Wind River® Workbench tools effectively to accelerate board bringup
- Integrate device drivers, including interrupt management, clock support, and timestamps
- Supply the required BSP routines to complete a BSP that complies with Wind River standards
- Migrate to a BSP with VxBus support
- Integrate a VxBus driver
- Achieve faster, more reliable program development
- Package and validate a BSP

Hands-on exercises are included, utilizing the Wind River Simics virtual target.

PRODUCTS SUPPORTED

- VxWorks 6.9
- Wind River Workbench 3.3

COURSE FORMAT

- This four-day expert-led course consists of lectures and lab sessions.
- Attendees use VxWorks 6.9, Workbench 3.3, and Simics to gain experience with the topics presented.
- Participants receive individual guidance from an expert engineer who has extensive experience with Wind River technologies.

Course title: **VxWorks 6.x Board Support Package**

Duration: Four days

Format: Instructor-led lectures and hands-on lab sessions; instructor-led Live Remote delivery available

Content: **Day 1:** Introduction to VxWorks BSPs; Pre-kernel Initialization Sequence

Day 2: Kernel Boot Sequence; Developing a Basic Boot Loader

Day 3: Developing a Basic VxWorks Image; VxWorks Components

Day 4: Device Driver Integration; Validation Test Suite

AUDIENCE

- Developers planning to port a BSP to a new board on a supported architecture
- Device driver writers
- Application programmers interested in learning what occurs at the hardware level of a VxWorks image
- Senior engineers who will decide on a final production image of their product

PREREQUISITE SKILLS

- C programming, including experience with structures, pointers, pointers to structures, typedefs, macros, and bitwise operators
- Functional knowledge of UNIX or Windows
- Experience using the Workbench Debugger to debug target code

PREREQUISITE COURSES

- Real-Time Programming for Embedded Systems
- VxWorks 6.x and Workbench Essentials

SYLLABUS

Day 1

INTRODUCTION TO VXWORKS BSPS

- BSP overview
- BSP development workflow
- VxWorks BSP development environment
- **LAB: Getting started**

PRE-KERNEL INITIALIZATION SEQUENCE

- romInit ()
- romStart ()
- usrInit ()
- sysHwInit ()
- Pre-kernel load and debug options
- **LAB: Pre-kernel initialization**

Day 2

KERNEL BOOT SEQUENCE

- kernellnit ()
- usrRoot ()
- sysHwInit2 ()
- BSP development cycle
- **LAB: Kernel initialization, code browsing**

DEVELOPING A BASIC BOOT LOADER

- Boot ROM overview
- VxWorks and boot loader image types
- Boot loader/BSP project
- Makefiles and build tools
- **LAB: BSP selection**

Day 3

DEVELOPING A BASIC VXWORKS IMAGE

- Differences from boot loader/BSP project
- VxWorks image project in Workbench
- vxprj
- PROFILE_BOOTAPP
- Kernel diagnostics
- Memory management
- **LAB: Developing a basic VxWorks image**

VXWORKS COMPONENTS

- Workbench kernel editor
- Component descriptor language
- 20bsp.cdf
- **LAB: VxWorks components**

Day 4

DEVICE DRIVER INTEGRATION

- Introduction to VxBus
- Statically configured VxBus devices
- Required device drivers
- Dynamically discovered VxBus devices
- Non-VxBus device drivers
- Drivers in a downloadable kernel module
- Driver considerations for RTPs

VALIDATION TEST SUITE

- BSP development cycle – test and document
- Framework overview
- VTS files
- Configuring and running tests
- Analyzing results
- **LAB: Validation test suite**

OPTIONAL MODULES

VXWORKS BSP FOR INTEL ® ARCHITECTURE

- IA vs. SoC
- BIOS, boot sequence, and processor modes
- IA interrupts
- Intel 64bit

VXWORKS BSP FOR SMP

- Requirements for SMP
- Optional BSP requirements

VXWORKS BSP FOR NATIVE AMP

- Multicore AMP requirements
- MIPC enablement
- smLib

VXWORKS BSP CONSIDERATIONS FOR REAL-TIME PROCESS SUPPORT

- RTP overview
- Overlapped memory

RELATED COURSES

- VxWorks 6.x Device Drivers

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