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CMSC 498 Outline
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I. Introduction

- A. Overview of my role in the company.
 - 1. Intern at Aegis, Inc.
 - 2. Working on their NRC Projects
- B. Brief overview of my project.
 - 1. Overview of their NRC product
 - 2. I will be developing their next evolution of the project
- C. Outline of the rest of my paper, following my progression through different aspects of my project.

II. Writing a Kernel Driver

- A. Synchronous Serial Controller (SSC) and an I2S Bus
 - 1. Writing a driver take I2S Bus input from a micro-controller's SSC
- B. Grabbing the data using Direct Memory Access
- C. Using a character driver to send this information to user space for processing
- D. Issues and complexity of embedded programming and Linux

III. Writing the Userspace Code

- A. Looking at the previous NRC code
 - 1. Difficulties in reading code you have not written
 - 2. Little Documentation to Work With
 - 3. How to change this code to work for the new product
 - a. There is a significant change to hardware design.
- B. Starting to change the code.
 - 1. Writing new code alongside others code
- C. Looking at performance
 - 1. Optimization
 - a. What can we do at compile time to get speed
 - 1. Profiling the code.
 - a. Where is the code being slow, how to fix it
 - 2. Analyzing Performance of Embedded Programs
 - a. How I used the information from optimization, profiling, and lots of testing to find out what to do next.
 - b. To move to a new board, or rewrite the code?
- D. Rewriting the entire userspace program

IV. Conclusions

- A. Lessons Learned
 - 1. Coding in a professional environment
 - 2. Working with prewritten Code
 - 3. The research and development process
 - 4. Embedded Software Development
- B. How to apply my experiences to future work