

Power Management Integrated Circuits: Keep the power in your hands

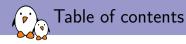
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What's a PMIC?

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Regulators

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ADC for current values MFD



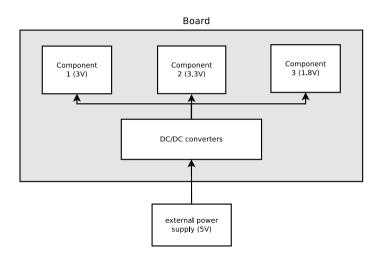
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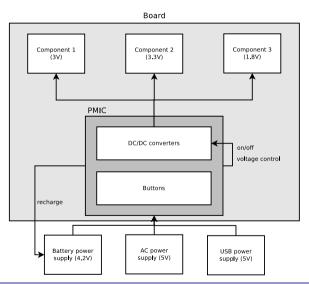


- ▶ PMIC = Power Management Integrated Circuit,
- handles the power sequence of the board,
- supplies power to the different components inside the board,
- protects the board from unsupported overvoltage and undervoltage,
- might handle different external power supplies,
- can provide other misc features (GPIO, ADC, ...),
- ▶ is usually software-controllable (often as an i²c device),
- ▶ is not mandatory (e.g. Raspberry Pi and Orange Pi),



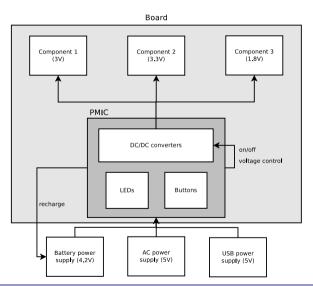


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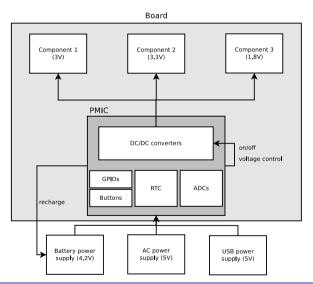


TI TPS65217x (BeagleBone Black)





Boards with an X-Powers AXP20X PMIC





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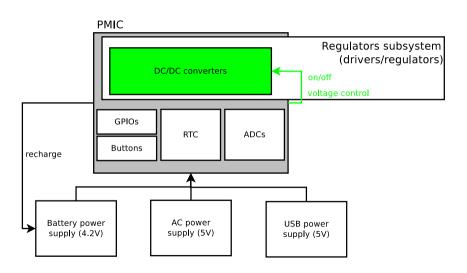
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- ► PMIC supplies power to components requiring different input voltages (5V, 3V3, 1V8, ...),
- ▶ DC-DC converters and LDO regulators handle the different voltages,
- ▶ to save power, regulators can stop supplying power to their unused components,
- some components support a range of input voltages,
- ▶ PMIC handles all that,
- their regulator adapts its voltage depending on some parameters (e.g. load, thermal throttling),
- variable regulators allow to reduce power consumption (undervolting) and increase power (overvolting),
 - allows CPU/GPU DVFS (Dynamic Voltage and Frequency Scaling),
 - ▶ is the core of battery life and power consumption,
- ▶ regulators are part of the regulator framework (drivers/regulators/),



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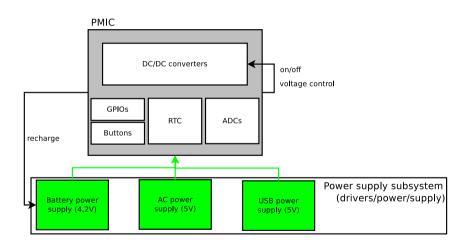
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static const struct regulator_desc axp20x_regulators[] = {
              [AXP20X DCDC2] = {
                            .name = "dcdc2",
.supply_name = "vin2",
.of_match = of_match_ptr("dcdc2"),
                             .regulators_node = of_match_ptr("regulators"),
                            .type = REGULATOR_VOLTAGE,
.id = AXP20X_DCDC2,
.n_voltages = (2275 - 700) / (25 + 1),
                            .myOltages = (22/5 - 700) / (25 + 
.owner = THIS_MODULE,
.min_uV = 700 * 1000,
.uV_step = 25 * 1000,
.vsel_reg = AXP20X_DCDC2_V_OUT,
.vsel_mask = 0x3f,
.enable_reg = AXP20X_PWR_OUT_CTRL,
                             .enable mask
                                                         = 0 \times 10.
                                                         = &axp20x_ops.
                             .ops
               },
};
```



Regulator driver example: AXP20X regulators driver

drivers/regulators/axp20x-regulator.c

```
static int axp20x_regulator_probe(struct platform_device *pdev)
        struct regulator_dev *rdev:
        struct axp20x_dev *axp20x = dev_get_drvdata(pdev->dev.parent);
        const struct regulator_desc *regulators;
        struct regulator_config config = {
                .dev = pdev->dev.parent,
                .regmap = axp20x - > regmap
                .driver data = axp20x.
        };
        for (i = 0; i < ARRAY_SIZE(axp20x_regulators); i++) {</pre>
                rdev = devm_regulator_register(&pdev->dev, axp20x_regulators[i], &config);
                if (IS_ERR(rdev)) {
                         dev_err(&pdev->dev, "Failed to register %s\n",
                                 regulators[i].name):
                         return PTR ERR(rdev):
        return 0:
```





Power supplies - Overview

The PMIC

- takes care of all possible supported external supplies:
 - ▶ AC (socket), USB, battery, ...
- defines the power sequence for the board,
- protects from overvoltage/undervoltage (e.g. X-Powers AXPs are designed for 5V boards but handles 0.3-11V)
- ▶ chooses the most suitable one depending on the status of each (low battery, not enough current supplied by a power supply, ...)
- may handle the battery (recharging, handling recharge cycles),



Power Supply subsystem

- ▶ is located in drivers/power/supply,
- has typically one driver per physical input power supply,
- ► can expose different data[1], such as current voltage and current, battery capacity, battery type, temperature, ...
- can set as many data, such as minimum and maximum allowed voltage or current, battery voltage when full,
- exposed information is specific to a PMIC (e.g. AXP20X can read current voltage and current values of the AC and USB power supplies unlike AXP22X),

[1]http://lxr.free-electrons.com/source/include/linux/power_supply.h



drivers/power/supply/axp20x_usb_power.c

```
static enum power_supply_property axp20x_usb_power_properties[] = {
        POWER SUPPLY PROP PRESENT.
        POWER SUPPLY PROP VOLTAGE MIN.
        POWER SUPPLY PROP VOLTAGE NOW.
}:
static int axp20x_usb_power_prop_writeable(struct power_supply *psv.
                                           enum power supply property psp)
        return psp == POWER SUPPLY PROP VOLTAGE MIN:
static const struct power_supply_desc axp20x_usb_power_desc = {
        .name = "axp20x-usb",
        .type = POWER_SUPPLY_TYPE USB.
        .properties = axp20x_usb_power_properties.
        .num_properties = ARRAY_SIZE(axp20x_usb_power_properties),
        .property is writeable = axp20x usb power prop writeable.
        .get_property = axp20x_usb_power_get_property,
        .set property = axp20x usb power set property.
};
```



include/linux/power_supply.h

```
union power_supply_propval {
   int intval;
   const char *strval;
};
```



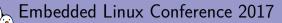
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```
static int axp20x_usb_power_get_property(struct power_supply *psy, enum power_supply_property psp.
                                         union power_supply_propval *val)
        struct axp20x_usb_power *power = power_supply_get_drvdata(psy);
        switch (psp) {
        case POWER SUPPLY PROP PRESENT:
                return axp20x_usb_power_is_present(power, &val->intval);
        [...]
        return -EINVAL:
static int axp20x_usb_power_set_property(struct power_supply *psy, enum power_supply_property psp,
                                         const union power supply propval *val)
        struct axp20x_usb_power *power = power_supply_get_drvdata(psy);
        switch (psp) {
        case POWER SUPPLY PROP VOLTAGE MIN:
                return axp20x usb power set voltage min(power, val->intval):
        [...]
        return -EINVAL:
```



drivers/power/supply/axp20x_usb_power.c

```
static int axp20x_usb_power_probe(struct platform_device *pdev)
        /* Custom structure */
        struct axp20x_usb_power *power;
        struct power_supply_config psy_cfg = {};
        power = devm_kzalloc(&pdev->dev, sizeof(*power), GFP_KERNEL);
        if (!power)
                return -ENOMEM:
        /* For use in other functions which call power_supply_get_drvdata */
        psv_cfg.drv_data = power:
        power->supply = devm_power_supply_register(&pdev->dev, axp20x_usb_power_desc, &psy_cfg);
        if (IS ERR(power->supply))
                return PTR_ERR(power->supply):
        [...]
        return 0:
```



Miscellaneous - PMIC-specific parts

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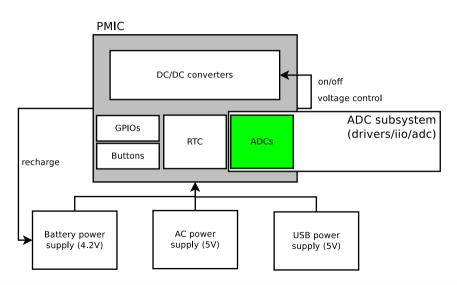
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Parts specific to some PMICs

- ▶ Buttons: detect when the power reset button is pushed to shutdown the system (drivers/power/reset),
- GPIO: e.g. the AXP PMICs have several pins you can use either as GPIO or ADC,
- RTC with backup battery to keep time between reboots,
- Fuel gauge (if logically separated from the battery driver),
- ▶ ADC: e.g. AXP PMICs can expose what is the current voltage/current of a power supply,



- some PMICs can give some data in real time,
 - internal temperature, supplied voltage, consumed current, (dis)charging current, battery percentage, ...
- often stored in registers of an embedded Analog to Digital Converter (ADC),
- proper way: have a driver for this ADC feeding data to the power supply drivers,
 - the subsystem for ADC drivers is Industrial I/O (drivers/iio/adc)



```
#define AXP20X_ADC_CHANNEL(_channel, _name, _type, _reg)
                 .tvpe = _tvpe,
                 .indexed = 1.
                 .channel = _channel,
                 .address = _reg.
                 .info_mask_separate = BIT(IIO_CHAN_INFO_RAW)
                                        BIT(IIO_CHAN_INFO_SCALE),
                 .datasheet_name = _name.
enum axp20x_adc_channel_v {
        AXP20X\_ACIN\_V = \emptyset,
        AXP20X_VBUS_V,
        [...]
};
enum axp20x_adc_channel_i {
        AXP20X\_ACIN\_I = 0,
        AXP20X VBUS I.
        Γ...
};
```



```
/* Describe your IIO channels */
static const struct iio_chan_spec axp20x_adc_channels[] = {
        AXP20X_ADC_CHANNEL(AXP20X_VBUS_V, "vbus_v", IIO_VOLTAGE,
                           AXP20X VBUS V ADC H).
        AXP20X_ADC_CHANNEL(AXP20X_VBUS_I, "vbus_i", IIO_CURRENT,
                           AXP20X VBUS I ADC H).
        [...]
};
static int axp20x_adc_scale(struct iio_chan_spec const *chan, int *val, int *val2)
        switch (chan->type) {
        case IIO VOLTAGE:
                if (chan->channel == AXP20X_VBUS_I) {
                        *val = 0:
                        *val2 = 375000:
                        return IIO VAL INT PLUS MICRO:
                return -EINVAL:
```



```
static int axp20x_read_raw(struct iio_dev *indio_dev, struct iio_chan_spec const *chan, int *val,
                           int *val2. long mask)
        struct axp20x_adc_iio *info = iio_priv(indio_dev);
        switch (mask) {
        case IIO CHAN INFO RAW:
                *val = axp20x_read_variable_width(info->regmap, chan->address, 12);
                if (*val < 0)
                        return *val:
                return IIO VAL INT:
        case IIO_CHAN_INFO_SCALE:
                return axp20x_adc_scale(indio_dev. chan, val);
        default:
                return -EINVAL:
/* Specify the functions used when reading or writing to a sysfs entry */
static const struct iio_info axp20x_adc_iio_info = {
        .read_raw = axp20x_read_raw.
        .write_raw = axp20x_write_raw.
        .driver_module = THIS_MODULE,
};
```





```
static int axp20x_probe(struct platform_device *pdev)
                                                            indio_dev->dev.parent = &pdev->dev;
                                                            indio_dev->dev.of_node = pdev->dev.of_node;
                                                            indio_dev->modes = INDIO_DIRECT_MODE;
        struct axp20x adc iio *info:
        struct iio dev *indio dev:
                                                            indio_dev->info = axp20x_adc_iio_info;
                                                            indio dev->num channels =
        int ret:
                                                                    ARRAY_SIZE(axp20x_adc_channels):
                                                            indio_dev->channels = axp20x_adc_channels;
        indio_dev = devm_iio_device_alloc(&pdev->dev.
                                      sizeof(*info)):
                                                            ret = iio map array register(indio dev.
        if (!indio_dev)
                                                                                          axp20x_maps):
                                                            if (ret < 0)
                return -ENOMEM:
                                                                    return ret:
        /* For use in other functions which call
        * iio priv */
                                                            ret = iio device register(indio dev):
        info = iio_priv(indio_dev);
                                                            if (ret < 0)
                                                                    return ret:
        indio_dev->name = "axp20x_ac";
                                                            return 0:
        Γ...1
```



drivers/power/supply/axp20x_usb_power.c



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```
static int axp20x_usb_power_probe(struct platform_device *pdev)
        struct axp20x usb power *power:
        power->vbus_v = devm_iio_channel_get(&pdev->dev. "vbus v"):
        if (IS ERR(power->vbus v)) {
                if (PTR_ERR(power->vbus_v) == -ENODEV)
                        return -EPROBE DEFER:
                return PTR_ERR(power->vbus_v):
        power->supply = devm_power_supply_register(&pdev->dev, usb_power_desc, &psy_cfg);
        if (IS_ERR(power->supply))
                return PTR_ERR(power->supply):
        return 0:
```



Parts specific to boards - Fuel gauge

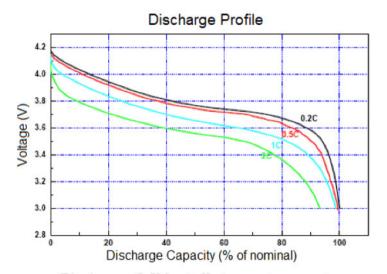
- battery percentage is approximated from its voltage,
- battery voltage does not linearly decrease in time or load,
- rather follows a curve, called the Open Circuit Voltage (OCV) curve,
- ▶ the curve is battery-specific (might be given by the battery vendor),
- ▶ the curve depends on several factors (environment, number of charges, age of battery, usage, ...),
- ▶ the battery percentage approximation by software must be done in userspace,
- use of POWER_SUPPLY_PROP_VOLTAGE_OCV property:
 - ▶ if software approximated, to give points on the OCV curve,
 - if hardware approximated, to get/set the points defining OCV curve used in the PMIC,

Worth reading:

https://training.ti.com/sites/default/files/BatteryMonitoringBasics.ppt



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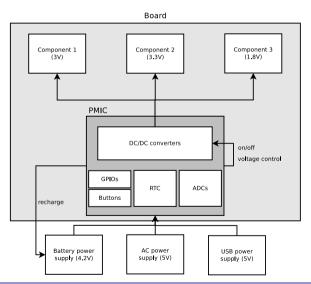
Discharge: 3.0V cutoff at room temperature.



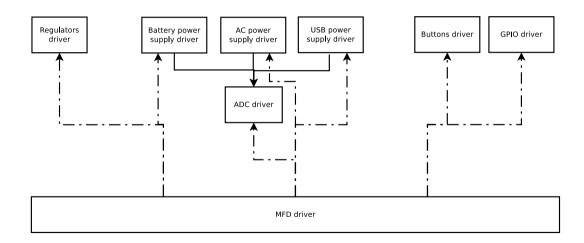
MFD - The glue between all this

- probes the different drivers of the PMIC (called MFD cells),
- maps the interrupts to the drivers which need them,
- usually passes a regmap to the MFD cells so it makes sure the drivers do not write to and access the same registers at the same time,











MFD driver example: AXP20X MFD driver

drivers/mfd/axp20x.c

```
static struct resource axp20x_usb_power_supply_resources[] = {
        DEFINE_RES_IRO_NAMED(AXP20X_IRO_VBUS_PLUGIN, "VBUS_PLUGIN").
};
static struct mfd_cell axp20x_cells[] = {
                              = "axp20x-usb-power-supply".
                .name
                .of_compatible = "x-powers,axp202-usb-power-supply",
                .num_resources = ARRAY_SIZE(axp20x_usb_power_supply_resources),
                                = axp20x usb power supply resources.
                .resources
       3. F...1
};
int axp20x device probe(struct i2c client *i2c, const struct i2c device id *id)
       /* Do all the regmap configuration, regmap_irqs included */
       ret = mfd_add_devices(&i2c->dev, -1, axp20x_cells,
                              ARRAY_SIZE(axp20x_cells), NULL, irg_base, NULL):
        if (ret)
                return ret:
        return 0:
```

Questions?

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