# Porting iocCore onto m-ITRON real-time kernel

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# What is *m*-ITRON?

- n An API-specification of real-time kernel
  - n Developed by Prof. Ken Sakamura of Tokyo Univ.
  - Many different implementations of products are available on the market
  - n Widely used in consumer electronics fields in Japan
    - n Mobile phones
    - n TV-games
    - n Automobile Navigation System
  - n Details : See
    - <u>http://tron.um.u-tokyo.ac.jp/TRON/ITRON/home-e.html</u>

# Why m-ITRON?

- n Running iocCore on intelligent device controllers
  - Many intelligent device controllers come with an Ethernet interface
  - Many of those have an SHx CPU and enough ROM/RAM capacity to run iocCore
  - n Many of those run m-ITRON



# Intelligent device controllers running m-ITRON

- n Commercial Devices
  - n PLC
    - <sup>n</sup> Yokogawa FA-M3, used for Ion-source, vacuum etc.
  - n WE7000 measurement station
    - n Digital oscilloscope (100kS/s, 1MS/s, 100MS/s and 1GS/s)
- n Custom Device Controllers
  - n EMB-LAN100
    - n Initially designed for the Power supplies of DTL Q-magnet
  - NDIM (Network Device Interface Module)
    - n Developed by RIKEN for various control/monitoring

# **Commercial devices**

FA-M3 PLC

(Made by Yokogawa)



WE7000

(Made by Yokogawa)



## **Custom device controllers**

#### EMB-LAN100 (Developed by KEK)

**N-DIM** (Developed by RIKEN)





## What are the benefits?

- n More distributed
  - n More load distribution
  - n More robust
- n Flatter hierarchy
  - Save IOCs being used as "protocol transformer"
  - n No need for asynchronous driver



## What's available on the market

- n The kernel, NORTi4, from MISPO
- n Development environment
  - SHC (Super Hitachi Compiler) with a standard C/C++ library
  - n Cygwin on Windows
- N Kasago TCP/IP + BSD socket library, from Elmic Systems, Inc.
- We assume BSPs are available from the HWmanufactures

## How hard is it?

- We have implemented OSD libraries (not yet tested)
- We have asked Elmic Systems, Inc. to port the TCP/IP + BSD socket onto our target board
- There are some missing functions in STC library needed by iocCore
- Recent versions of EPICS base use lots of C++ codes
  - n We have gotten linkage errors with some of those

# **OSD** implementation

- n *m*-ITRON has abundant functions for synchronization and communication
- n It's relatively easy
- n For example:

#### itron case:

```
const T_CMTX cmtx = {TA_TINHERIT,0,""};
struct epicsMutexOSD *
epicsMutexOsdCreate(void)
{
    ID id;
    ER ercd;
    ercd = acre_sem(&cmtx);
    ...
```

#### Vxworks case:

struct epicsMutexOSD \*
epicsMutexOsdCreate(void)

```
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```

return((struct epicsMutexOSD \*)
semMCreate(SEM\_DELETE\_SAFE|SEM\_INVERSI
ON\_SAFE|SEM\_Q\_PRIORITY));
}



Elmic Systems, Inc. is going to develop libraries which interface their TCP/IP protocol stack with m-ITRON/LAN controller driver

# Missing functions in STC library

extern FILE \*fdopen(int handle, const char \* tmp) {...}
extern char \*getenv (char \* tmp) {...}
extern int putenv (char \* tmp) {...}
extern char \*tmpnam (char \* tmp) {...}
extern FILE \*tmpfile (void) {...}
extern int atexit (void (\*function)(void)) {...}
extern void exit(int status) {...}
void abort(void) {...}

# **Building problems with C++ code**

- n iocCore uses some methods not in SHC's STD C++ library
  - n logic\_error::logic\_error();
- n Some of external references can't be resolved
  - n Related with class
  - n Related with template
  - n Related with inline function

# Status and future plans

- We are trying to solve the linkage problems with C++ code
- If not, we are going to try another compiler exeGCC, based on gcc
  - We lose support from the companies on BSP&BSD socket library
- We hope we can succeed in running iocCore on a target board before Mar. 2005

## MCU made by Nichizou

#### MCU running m-ITRON

#### SH4 (SH7751R-200 MHz)





FLASH ROM 16MB SDRAM 64MB