



LPTIM device tree configuration



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1 Article purpose

The purpose of this article is to explain how to configure the low-power timer (*LPTIM*)^[1] **when the peripheral is assigned to Linux®OS**, and in particular:

- how to configure the LPTIM **peripheral** to enable PWM, trigger, event counter and quadrature encoder
- how to configure the **board**, e.g. LPTIM input/output pins

The configuration is performed using the **device tree mechanism**^[2].

It is used by the LPTIM Linux driver that registers relevant information in PWM and IIO frameworks.

2 DT bindings documentation

The LPTIM^[1] is a multifunction device (MFD).

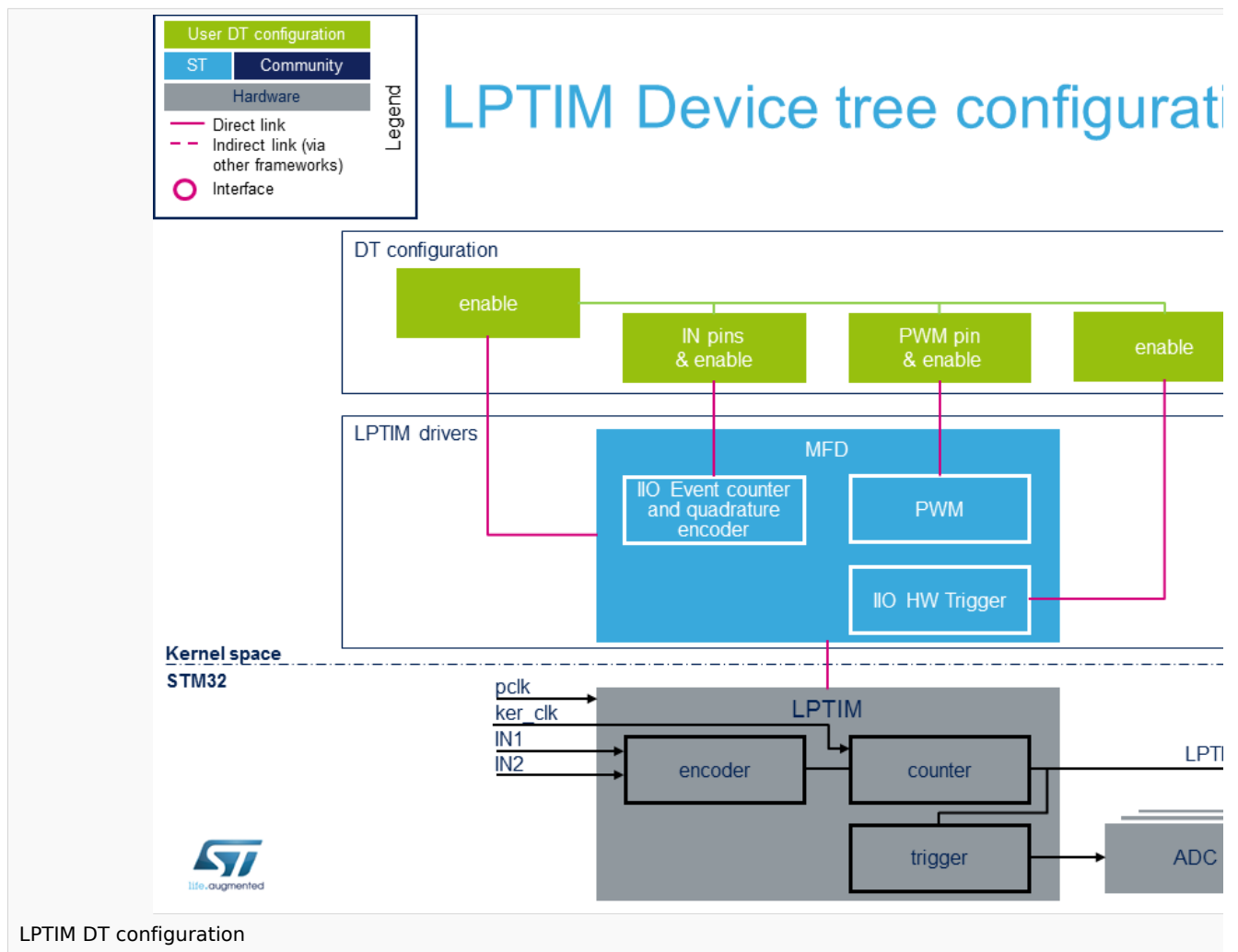
Each function is represented by a separate binding document:

- *STM32 LPTIM MFD device tree bindings*^[3] deals with core resources (e.g. registers, clock)
- *STM32 LPTIM PWM device tree bindings*^[4] deals with **PWM** interface resources (e.g. PWM pins)
- *STM32 LPTIM trigger device tree bindings*^[5] deals with **LPTIM triggers** resources (e.g. trigger output connected to other STM32 internal peripherals)
- *STM32 LPTIM counter device tree bindings*^[6] deals with **LPTIM counter and quadrature encoder** resources (e.g. counter/encoder IN[1..2] pins)

3 DT configuration

This hardware description is a combination of STM32 microprocessor and board device tree files. See [Device tree](#) for more explanations on device tree file split.

The **STM32CubeMX** can be used to generate the board device tree. Refer to [How to configure the DT using STM32CubeMX](#) for more details.



3.1 DT configuration (STM32 level)

LPTIM nodes are declared in `stm32mp157c.dtsi`^[7].

DT root node (aka `lptimer1`, ..., `lptimer5`) and **DT child nodes** describe the LPTIM features such as:

- PWM
- trigger
- event counter and quadrature encoder.

They also describe hardware parameters such as register addresses and clock.

```

lptimer1: timer@40009000 {
    compatible = "st,stm32-lptimer";
resources */
    ...
    pwm {
        compatible = "st,stm32-pwm-lp";
    };
    trigger@0 {
        compatible = "st,stm32-lptimer-trigger";
    };
    /*
    reg = <0>;
    g. 0 for LPTIM1 trigger, 1 for LPTIM2... */
    counter {
        compatible = "st,stm32-lptimer-counter";
    };
    /* quadrature encoder &
    event counter part of LPTIM */
};

```



This device tree part is related to STM32 microprocessors. It should be kept as is, without being modified by the end-user.

3.2 DT configuration (board level)

Follow the below sequence to configure and enable the LPTIM on your board STM32MP15 microprocessor:

- Enable **DT root node** for the LPTIM instance in use (e.g lptimer1, ..., lptimer5), with **status = "okay"**;
- Enable **DT child node(s)** for the feature(s) in use (PWM output, trigger, event counter and quadrature encoder), with **status = "okay"**;
- Configure the pins in use via **pinctrl**, with **pinctrl-0**, **pinctrl-1** and **pinctrl-names**.

3.3 DT configuration examples

3.3.1 LPTIM1 configured as PWM and trigger source

The example below shows how to configure LPTIM1 to act as:

- PWM output on PG13 (See **pinctrl** device tree configuration and **GPIO** internal peripheral)
- trigger source (in Synchronous mode with PWM) for other internal peripherals such as **ADC**^[8], **DAC**^[9], and **DFSDM**^[10]

```

lppwm1_pins_a: lppwm1-0 {
    pins {
        pinmux = <STM32_PINMUX('G', 13, AF1)>; /* configure 'PG13' as
alternate 1 for LPTIM1_OUT mode of operation */
        bias-pull-down;
        drive-push-pull;
        slew-rate = <0>;
    };
};

```

```
lppwm1_sleep_pins_a: lppwm1-sleep-0 {
    pins {
        pinmux = <STM32_PINMUX('G', 13, ANALOG)>; /* configure 'PG13' as
analog for low power mode */
    };
};
```

```
&lptimer1 {
    status = "okay";
    pwm {
LPTIM1_OUT */
        pinctrl-0 = <&lppwm1_pins_a>; /* configure PWM on
        pinctrl-1 = <&lppwm1_sleep_pins_a>;
        pinctrl-names = "default", "sleep";
        status = "okay"; /* enable PWM on LPTIM1 */
    };
    trigger@0 {
source */
        status = "okay"; /* enable LPTIM1_OUT trigger
    };
};
```

3.3.2 LPTIM2 configured as counter and quadrature encoder

The example below shows how to configure LPTIM2 to act as counter and/or quadrature encoder, with LPTIM2_IN1 and LPTIM2_IN2 pins configured as inputs on PD12 and PD11, respectively (See pinctrl device tree configuration and GPIO internal peripheral)

```
# part of pin-controller dt node
lptim2_in_pins_a: lptim2-in-pins-0 {
    pins {
        pinmux = <STM32_PINMUX('D', 12, AF3)>, /* LPTIM2_IN1 */
                <STM32_PINMUX('D', 11, AF3)>; /* LPTIM2_IN2 */
        bias-disabled;
    };
};
lptim2_sleep_in_pins_a: lptim2-sleep-in-pins-0 {
    pins {
        pinmux = <STM32_PINMUX('D', 12, ANALOG)>, /* LPTIM2_IN1 */
                <STM32_PINMUX('D', 11, ANALOG)>; /* LPTIM2_IN2 */
    };
};
```

```
&lptimer2 {
    status = "okay";
    counter {
/encoder pins */
        pinctrl-0 = <&lptim2_in_pins_a>; /* configure LPTIM2 counter
        pinctrl-1 = <&lptim2_sleep_in_pins_a>;
        pinctrl-names = "default", "sleep";
        status = "okay"; /* enable counter/encoder on
LPTIM2 */
    };
};
```



4 How to configure the DT using STM32CubeMX

The STM32CubeMX tool can be used to configure the STM32MPU device and get the corresponding [platform configuration device tree files](#).

The STM32CubeMX may not support all the properties described in the above [DT bindings documentation](#) paragraph. If so, the tool inserts **user sections** in the generated device tree. These sections can then be edited to add some properties and they are preserved from one generation to another. Refer to [STM32CubeMX user manual](#) for further information.

5 References

For additional information, refer to the following links:

- [1.01.1 LPTIM internal peripheral](#)
- [Device tree](#)
- [Documentation/devicetree/bindings/mfd/stm32-lptimer.txt](#) , STM32 LPTIM MFD device tree bindings
- [Documentation/devicetree/bindings/pwm/pwm-stm32-lp.txt](#) , STM32 LPTIM PWM device tree bindings
- [Documentation/devicetree/bindings/iio/timer/stm32-lptimer-trigger.txt](#) , STM32 LPTIM trigger device tree bindings
- [Documentation/devicetree/bindings/iio/counter/stm32-lptimer-cnt.txt](#) , STM32 LPTIM counter/encoder device tree bindings
- [STM32MP157C device tree file](#)
- [ADC internal peripheral](#)
- [DAC internal peripheral](#)
- [DFSDM internal peripheral](#)

low-power timer (STM32 specific)

Operating System

Pulse Width Modulation

Device Tree

Multifunction device

also known as

Analog-to-digital converter. The process of converting a sampled analog signal to a digital code that represents the amplitude of the original signal sample.

Digital-to-analog converter (Electronic circuit that converts a binary number into a continuously varying value.)

Digital Filter for Sigma-Delta Modulator

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