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## Part 2

**finding the important functions which get information about some hardware**

list of hardwares:

- CPU
- Memory
- network interface
- sound card
- power supplier

inorder to implement our information on system we should find :

1. what are the type of variables we want?
2. What is implementing them?
3. Where are they defined?
4. How to implement from number 2, to number 1?

so in this part we have to answer these 4 questions.

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## 1.CPU information

first we start grepping on “cpuinfo” thats the first clue!

console:

```
grep -rnw . -e "cpuinfo"
```

```
Terminal
nubuntu@ubuntu: ~/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0

./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:610:         if (cpuinfo.use_instr & PVR2_USE_MSR_INSTR) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:611:             if (cpuinfo.dcache_wb) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:614:                 if (cpuinfo.ver_code <= CPUVER_7
_20_D) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:619:                     if (cpuinfo.ver_code >= CPUVER_7
_20_A) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:628:             if (cpuinfo.dcache_wb) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:631:                 if (cpuinfo.ver_code <= CPUVER_7
_20_D) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cache.c:636:                     if (cpuinfo.ver_code >= CPUVER_7
_20_A) {
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cpuinfo-static.c:14:#include <asm/cpuinfo.h>
./arch/microblaze/kernel/cpu/cpuinfo-static.c:23:void __init set_cpuinfo_static(struct cpuinfo *
ci, struct device_node *cpu)
./arch/microblaze/kernel/setup.c:34:#include <asm/cpuinfo.h>
./arch/microblaze/include/uapi/asm/elf.h:98: * intent than poking at uname or /proc/cpuinfo.
./arch/microblaze/include/asm/cpuinfo.h:33:struct cpuinfo {
./arch/microblaze/include/asm/cpuinfo.h:96:extern struct cpuinfo cpuinfo;
./arch/microblaze/include/asm/cpuinfo.h:96:void set_cpuinfo_static(struct cpuinfo *ci, struct de
vice_node *cpu);
./arch/microblaze/include/asm/cpuinfo.h:97:void set_cpuinfo_pvr_full(struct cpuinfo *ci, struct
device_node *cpu);
./arch/microblaze/mm/consistent.c:44:#include <asm/cpuinfo.h>
./arch/microblaze/mm/consistent.c:49:# define UNCACHED_SHADOW_MASK (cpuinfo.dcache_high - cpuinf
o.dcache_base + 1)
```

bingo!

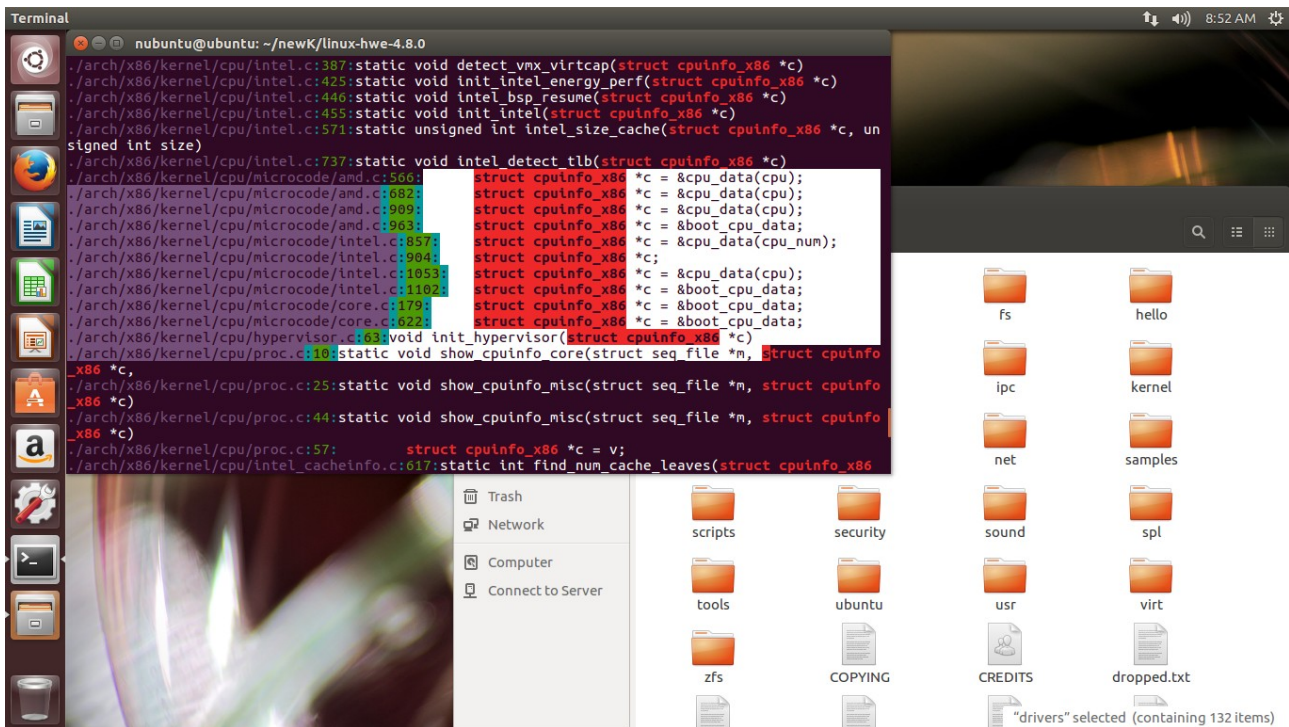
As we see, there is a struct named cpu info that instance of it, has been passed by reference to other functions. But this is for mips ! We want x86(intel) So we now grep only on struct cpuinfo.

Console:

```
grep -rnw . -e "struct cpuinfo"
```

and after that :

```
grep -rnw . -e "struct cpuinfo_x86"
```



okay! So `cpuinfo_x86` has been passed by reference and `cpu_data` is implementing it.

The argument for `cpu_data` is `cpu,cpu_num,0,1....`

So the argument type is `int`, and its number of core.

Okay first question! Type of variables

Go to <http://lxr.free-electrons.com/>

and search about `cpuinfo_x86`



The screenshot shows the Linux Cross Reference website interface. At the top, there's a header with the Linux penguin logo and the text "Linux Cross Reference Free Electrons Embedded Linux Experts". Below the header, there's a search bar with "cpuinfo\_x86" entered and a "Go get it" button. The search results show that "cpuinfo\_x86" is defined as a struct type in several files, including "arch/x86/include/asm/ptrace.h", "arch/x86/include/asm/x86\_init.h", and "arch/x86/include/asm/processor.h". It also lists several files where it is referenced, such as "drivers/misc/mic/card/mic\_x100.c", "drivers/cpufreq/elanfreq.c", and "drivers/cpufreq/sc520\_freq.c".

okay so we know where it's defined. Look into it

The screenshot shows the source code for the "cpuinfo\_x86" struct in the file "arch/x86/include/asm/processor.h". The code defines the struct with various fields and their types, including "x86", "x86\_vendor", "x86\_model", "x86\_mask", "wp\_works\_ok", "rfu", "pad0", "pad1", "x86\_tlbsize", "x86\_virt\_bits", "x86\_phys\_bits", "x86\_coreid\_bits", "cu\_id", "extended\_cpuid\_level", "cpuid\_level", "x86\_capability", "x86\_vendor\_id", "x86\_model\_id", and "x86\_cache\_size".

here is the definitions and types!



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Now question 2!

we found cpu data is implementing it.

Question 3:

in order to use it we have to know where it is defined, again search in the freeelectronics.com and go to where it is defined:

```
Version: 2.0.40 2.2.26 2.4.37 3.13 3.14 3.15 3.16 3.17 3.18 3.19 4.0 4.1 4.2 4.3 4.4 4.5 4.6 4.7 4.8 4.9 4.10

Linux/drivers/cpufreq/qorIQ-cpufreq.c

1 /*
2 * Copyright 2013 Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.
3 *
4 * CPU Frequency Scaling driver for Freescale QorIQ SoCs.
5 *
6 * This program is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify
7 * it under the terms of the GNU General Public License version 2 as
8 * published by the Free Software Foundation.
9 */
10
11 #define pr_fmt(fmt)    KBUILD_MODNAME ": " fmt
12
13 #include <linux/clock.h>
14 #include <linux/cpufreq.h>
15 #include <linux/cpu_cooling.h>
16 #include <linux/errno.h>
17 #include <linux/init.h>
18 #include <linux/kernel.h>
19 #include <linux/module.h>
20 #include <linux/mutex.h>
21 #include <linux/of.h>
22 #include <linux/slab.h>
23 #include <linux/smp.h>
24
25 #if !defined(CONFIG_ARM)
26 #include <asm/smp.h> /* for get_hard_smp_processor_id() in UP configs */
27 #endif
28
29 /**
30 * struct cpu_data
31 * @pclk: the parent clock of cpu
32 * @table: frequency table
33 */
```

we don't know what to include so we include all of them :D

Question 4:

how to implement it??

there is a function : for\_each\_online\_cpu

for knowing the functionality of it we grep on it and see where it is used and how.



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```
Text Edit | File | Edit | View | Search | Tools | Documents | Help
nubuntu@ubuntu: ~/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0
/drivers/oprofile/cpu_buffer.c:101: for_each_online_cpu(i) {
/drivers/oprofile/cpu_buffer.c:121: for_each_online_cpu(i) {
/drivers/oprofile/timer_int.c:71: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/base/topology.c:156: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/base/cacheinfo.c:122: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/base/cacheinfo.c:536: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/iommu/intel-iommu.c:3664: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/iommu/iova.c:424: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/watchdog/octeon-wdt-main.c:453: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/watchdog/octeon-wdt-main.c:507: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/watchdog/octeon-wdt-main.c:614: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/drivers/watchdog/octeon-wdt-main.c:635: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/spl/module/splat/splat-kmem.c:418: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/core/flow.c:364: for_each_online_cpu(i)
/net/core/flow.c:470: for_each_online_cpu(i)
/net/core/pktgen.c:3882: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/core/dev.c:2065: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/iucv/iucv.c:565: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/iucv/iucv.c:612: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/iucv/iucv.c:2059: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/sunrpc/svc.c:176: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/rds/stats.c:126: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/rds/tcp_stats.c:63: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/rds/ib_rdma.c:210: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/net/rds/ib_stats.c:94: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)
/Documentation/cpu-hotplug.txt:109: for_each_online_cpu(cpu)

flow.c (-/newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0/net/core) - gedit
tasklet->data = (unsigned long)info;
tasklet_schedule(tasklet);

void flow_cache_flush(struct net *net)
{
    struct flow_flush_info info;
    cpumask_var_t mask;
    int i, self;

    /* Track which cpus need flushing to avoid disturbing all cores. */
    if (!alloc_cpumask_var(&mask, GFP_KERNEL))
        return;
    cpumask_clear(mask);

    /* Don't want cpus going down or up during this. */
    get_online_cpus();
    mutex_lock(&net->xfrm.flow_flush_sem);
    info.cache = &net->xfrm.flow_cache_global;
    for_each_online_cpu(i)
        if (!flow_cache_percpu_empty(info.cache, i))
            cpumask_set_cpu(i, mask);
    atomic_set(&info.cpuleft, cpumask_weight(mask));
    if (atomic_read(&info.cpuleft) == 0)
        goto done;

    init_completion(&info.completion);

    local_bh_disable();
    self = cpumask_test_and_clear_cpu(smp_processor_id(), mask);
    on_each_cpu_mask(mask, flow_cache_flush_percpu_info, &info, 1);
}
Ln 368, Col 30
"flow.c" selected (13.0 kB)
```

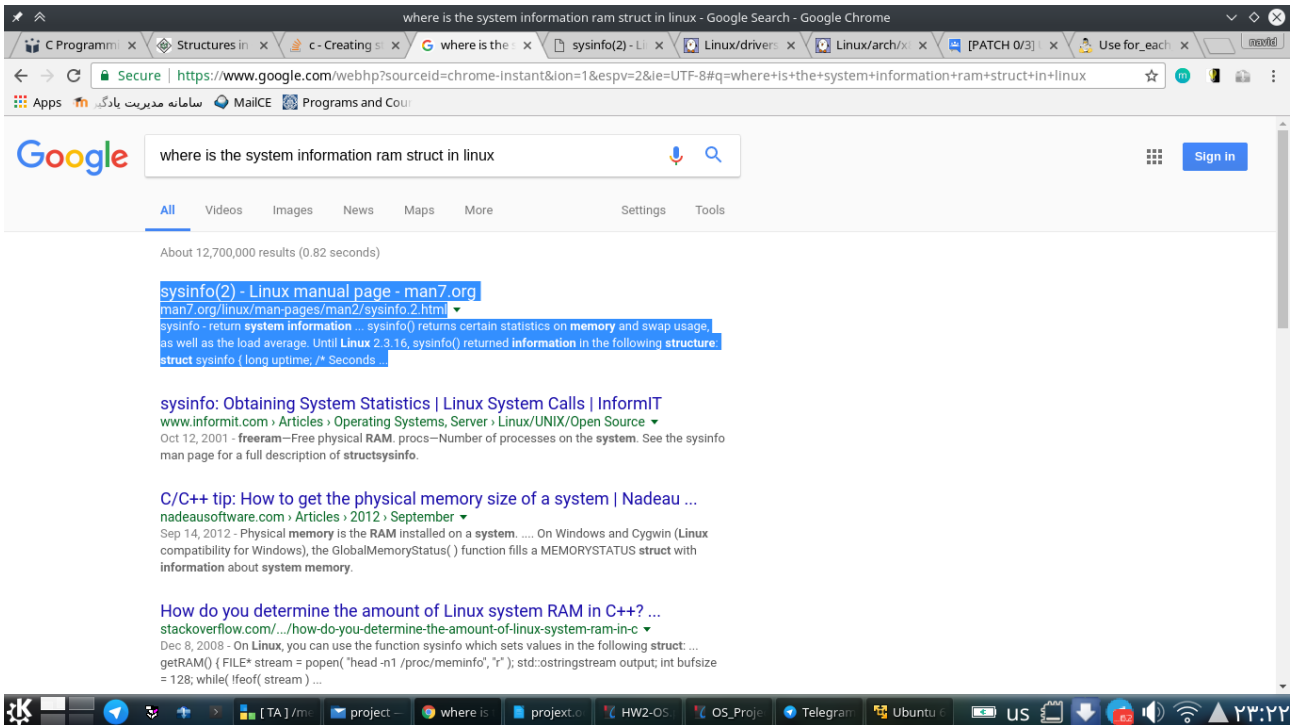
So here is the syntax in one random file.

Note: if you want to understand better and know how to implement this info ( show it in user space) skip to the part 3 and then return here again.

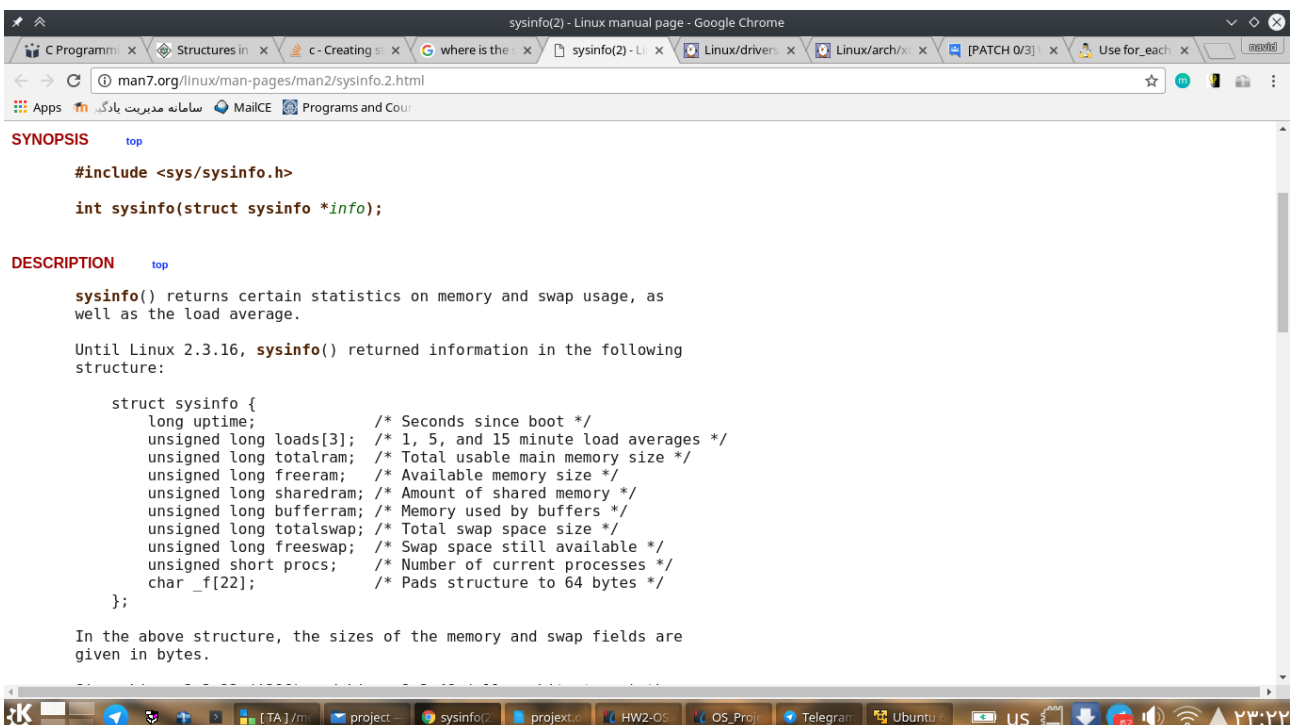


## 2.memory info

ok grepping on meminfo does not return anything special, so we search the web.



Seems like we have it





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that's all we need.

Now to know where it is we use free electrons site:

```
Version: 2.0.40 2.2.26 2.4.37 3.13 3.14 3.15 3.16 3.17 3.18 3.19 4.0 4.1 4.2 4.3 4.4 4.5 4.6 4.7 4.8 4.9 4.10

Linux/include/uapi/linux/sysinfo.h

1 #ifndef _LINUX_SYSINFO_H
2 #define _LINUX_SYSINFO_H
3
4 #include <linux/types.h>
5
6 #define SI_LOAD_SHIFT 16
7 struct sysinfo {
8     __kernel_long_t uptime;           /* Seconds since boot */
9     __kernel_ulong_t loads[3];       /* 1, 5, and 15 minute load averages */
10    __kernel_ulong_t totalram;        /* Total usable main memory size */
11    __kernel_ulong_t freeram;         /* Available memory size */
12    __kernel_ulong_t sharedram;       /* Amount of shared memory */
13    __kernel_ulong_t bufferram;       /* Memory used by buffers */
14    __kernel_ulong_t totalswap;       /* Total swap space size */
15    __kernel_ulong_t freeswap;        /* swap space still available */
16    u16 procs;                         /* Number of current processes */
17    u16 pad;                             /* Explicit padding for m68k */
18    __kernel_ulong_t totalhigh;       /* Total high memory size */
19    __kernel_ulong_t freehigh;        /* Available high memory size */
20    u32 mem_unit;                       /* Memory unit size in bytes */
21    char_f[20-2*sizeof(__kernel_ulong_t)-sizeof(__u32)]; /* Padding: libc5 uses this.. */
22 };
23
24 #endif /* !_LINUX_SYSINFO_H */
25
```

now to question 2, what is implementing it?

We now grep on the :

```
grep -rnw . -e "struct sysinfo"
```

and review two random .c files to see how sysinfo is implemented





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```
Binary file ./tmp_vmlinux2 matches
Binary file ./vmlinux matches
./include/uapi/linux/sysinfo.h:7: struct sysinfo;
./include/linux/swap.h:116: struct sysinfo;
./include/linux/swap.h:400: extern void si_swapinfo(struct sysinfo *si);
./include/linux/syscalls.h:52: struct sysinfo;
./include/linux/syscalls.h:704: asmlinkage long sys_sysinfo(struct sysinfo *si);
./include/linux/mm.h:1947: extern void si_meminfo(struct sysinfo *si);
./include/linux/mm.h:1948: extern void si_meminfo_node(struct sysinfo *si, int nid);
Binary file ./tmp_vmlinux1 matches
./fs/eventpoll.c:2139: struct sysinfo si;
./fs/nfsd/nfssvc.c:445: struct sysinfo i;
./fs/jfs/jfs_txnmgr.c:241: struct sysinfo i;
eventpollc (~newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0/fs) - gedit
}
return err;
#endif
static int __init eventpoll_init(void)
{
    struct sysinfo si;
    si_meminfo(&si);
    /* Allows top 4% of lmem to be allocated */
    /* EP_ITEM_COST */
    max_user_watches = (((si.totalram - si.totalhigh) >> PAGE_SHIFT) * EP_ITEM_COST);
    BUG_ON(max_user_watches < 0);
    /*
     * Initialize the structure used to track eventpoll
     * inclusion loops checks.
     */
    ep_nested_calls_init(&poll_loop_ncalls);
}
static void set_max_drc(void)
{
    #define NFSD_DRC_SIZE_SHIFT 10
    nfsd_drc_max_mem = (nr_free_buffer_pages() >> NFSD_DRC_SIZE_SHIFT) * PAGE_SIZE;
    nfsd_drc_mem_used = 0;
    spin_lock_init(&nfsd_drc_lock);
    dprintk("%s nfsd_drc_max_mem %lu \n", __func__, nfsd_drc_max_mem);
}
static int nfsd_get_default_max_blksize(void)
{
    struct sysinfo i;
    unsigned long long target;
    unsigned long ret;
    si_meminfo(&i);
    target = (i.totalram - i.totalhigh) << PAGE_SHIFT;
    /*
     * Aim for 1/4096 of memory per thread This gives 1MB on 4Gig
     * machines, but only uses 32K on 128M machines. Bottom out at
     */
}
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```

as we see `si_meminfo(&i)` implements `sysinfo`.

now the 3<sup>rd</sup> question:

we now find where is `meminfo` implemented to know what should we include in kernel module.

Lets see `meminfo` definition.

```
*info);
./include/linux/mm.h:1947: extern void si_meminfo(struct sysinfo * val);
./include/linux/mm.h:1948: extern void si_meminfo_node(struct sysinfo *val, int nid);
Binary file ./tmp_vmlinux1 matches
./fs/eventpoll.c:2139: struct sysinfo si;
./fs/nfsd/nfssvc.c:445: struct sysinfo i;
./fs/jfs/jfs_txnmgr.c:241: struct sysinfo i;
./fs/f2fs/node.c:34: struct sysinfo val;
./fs/proc/meminfo.c:28: struct sysinfo i;
Binary file ./vmlinux.o matches
./mm/page_alloc.c:4067: void si_meminfo(struct sysinfo *si);
./mm/page_alloc.c:4081: void si_meminfo_node(struct sysinfo *si, int nid);
./mm/swapfile.c:2589: void si_swapinfo(struct sysinfo *si);
./tools/testing/selftests/size/get_size.c:76: struct sysinfo i;
./drivers/staging/lustre/lustre/llite/llite.c:320: struct sysinfo i;
./drivers/edac/synopsys_edac.c:320: struct sysinfo i;
./drivers/gpu/drm/ttn/ttn_memory.c:246: struct sysinfo *si;
./drivers/gpu/drm/ttn/ttn_memory.c:278: struct sysinfo *si;
./drivers/gpu/drm/ttn/ttn_memory.c:314: struct sysinfo *si;
./drivers/gpu/drm/ttn/ttn_memory.c:363: struct sysinfo *si;
page_alloc.c (~newK/linux-hwe-4.8.0/mm) - gedit
with(global_page_state(NR_SCAB_RECLAIMABLE) / Z, WMARK_LOW);
if (available < 0)
    available = 0;
return available;
EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL(si_mem_available);
void si_meminfo(struct sysinfo *val)
{
    val->totalram = totalram_pages;
    val->sharedram = global_node_page_state(NR_SHMEM);
    val->freeram = global_page_state(NR_FREE_PAGES);
    val->bufferram = nr_blockdev_pages();
    val->totalhigh = totalhigh_pages;
    val->freehigh = nr_free_highpages();
    val->mem_unit = PAGE_SIZE;
}
EXPORT_SYMBOL(si_meminfo);
#ifdef CONFIG_NUMA
void si_meminfo_node(struct sysinfo *val, int nid)
{
    int zone_type; /* needs to be signed */
    unsigned long managed_pages = 0;
    unsigned long managed_highpages = 0;
    unsigned long free_highpages = 0;
    pg_data_t *pgdat = NODE_DATA(nid);
    for (zone_type = 0; zone_type < MAX_NR_ZONES; zone_type++)
}
page_alloc.o page_counter.c page_counter.c "page_alloc.c" selected (207.6 kB)
```



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Question 4.

the implementation is easy its just calling meminfo function.

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