



# Newton Driver Development Kits

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## Lantern™ Data Link Layer Tools



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# About This Book

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This book introduces the Lantern Data Link Layer Tools Development Kit, which you can use to add data link layer drivers to the Newton.

## How to Use This Book

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This book is both a tutorial introduction and a reference guide to the Lantern Data Link Layer Tools Development Kit. You use this book in conjunction with *An Introduction to Newton Driver Development Kits*, which describes the components and functionality common to all Newton driver development kits.

This book contains five chapters:

- n Chapter 1, “Introduction,” introduces data link layer drivers.
- n Chapter 2, “How to Write a Lantern Driver,” provides a tutorial guide to building a data link layer driver.
- n Chapter 3, “Data Link Layer Tool Reference,” provides a reference listing for the constants, data types, and functions that you use to develop data link layer drivers for the Newton.
- n Chapter 4, “Building a Data Link Layer Driver,” describes the steps that you need to take to build a data link layer driver for the Newton.

## Related Books

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This book is one in a set of books that describe the Newton driver development kits. Each kit requires that you have a good understanding of the Newton programming environment. The other books that you need to use are:

- n *An Introduction to Newton Driver Development Kits*. This book describes how to build Newton drivers, including a description of how p-classes and packages work.
- n *Newton Programmer's Guide*. This book is the definitive guide and reference for Newton programming with the NewtonScript language. It explains how to write Newton programs and describes the system software routines that you can use to do so.
- n *The NewtonScript Programming Language*. This book describes the NewtonScript programming language.

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# P R E F A C E

# Introduction

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This chapter provides an introduction to the Lantern Driver Development Kit, which you use to create data link layer drivers for Newton devices.

## About Data Link Layer Drivers

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The data link layer in communications is the layer that translates data into a format that can be used with a specific hardware device. Newton data link layer devices are typically PC Cards. A Lantern driver interfaces a data link layer device to the Newton Operating System.

You can write a driver for a specific hardware device using the functions and methods defined in this book. NewtonScript and C++ applications written for the Newton can then use your driver to access that hardware device. To implement a data link layer driver, you need to do the following:

- n Implement a version of the `TLanternDriver` p-class, which interfaces your device with the Newton Operating System. The functions and methods in this p-class implement the instantiation, data management, and event handling operations of your driver.

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- n Add event-handling functions for any driver-specific events that your driver supports. For example, an ethernet card driver needs to handle ethernet-specific or card-specific events.
- n Implement a version of `protoLanternDriver` to configure and/or provide a user interface for your driver and to define device-specific events for `protoLanternClients`.

## What a Data Link Layer Driver Does

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A Lantern driver translates an input or output data stream into a format for the device being controlled by the driver. The driver can perform these actions:

- n translate an output data packet into a format that the hardware device transmits out from the Newton
- n translate input data received by the device into input data packets for use on the Newton

A single driver can perform both actions. A client application requests the services of a driver and then makes calls into the driver to send or receive data.

The Newton Operating System requires a data link layer driver for each hardware device that is used to transmit data over a network. Some examples of hardware devices that require data link layer drivers are:

- n wireless Ethernet cards
- n wired Ethernet cards
- n non-Ethernet, wireless packet devices
- n data acquisition PC Card

## How Your Driver is Used

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When a card device is inserted into the Newton, the system software determines which driver is to be loaded for that card and instantiates the driver. Client applications can then send requests to the driver, and the

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driver notifies applications of certain conditions by sending events to the applications.

## Application Requests

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To use your driver, a client application sends requests to the driver with Remote Procedure Calls (RPC). An RPC is a function call from one task to a subroutine in another task. The driver handles the request and sends a reply back to the client.

The Newton Operating System defines a set of client RPCs for data link layer drivers. You implement a version of each RPC in your driver.

### Note

The client application waits for your driver to reply before continuing, which means that you must reply to each request as soon as possible. However, your driver can reply and then subsequently service the request. Beware that any data structure passed from the client application may be disposed after the reply, which means that your driver must save the data in its own data space. u

## Driver Events

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When certain conditions arise or change, your driver needs to notify its client applications, so that the applications can respond to those conditions. For example, when some failure occurs in your driver, the application may need to notify the user or retry an operation.

The Newton Operating System defines a set of events that it uses to notify Lantern clients of state and condition changes. Your driver sends these events when appropriate. The application provides an event handler for each event.

In addition, your driver can define its own, driver-specific set of events. If you do this, you need to publish information for application developers, informing them of the specifics of these events. The driver needs to provide an event handler for these events and applications can send these events to your driver.

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## Driver Configuration

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You must implement a configuration module for your driver. This module is an instance of `protoLanternDriver`, which provides several configuration and setup functions.

The configuration module communicates with your driver to determine certain characteristics, and informs the system of those characteristics.

## Data Link Layer Driver Packet Types

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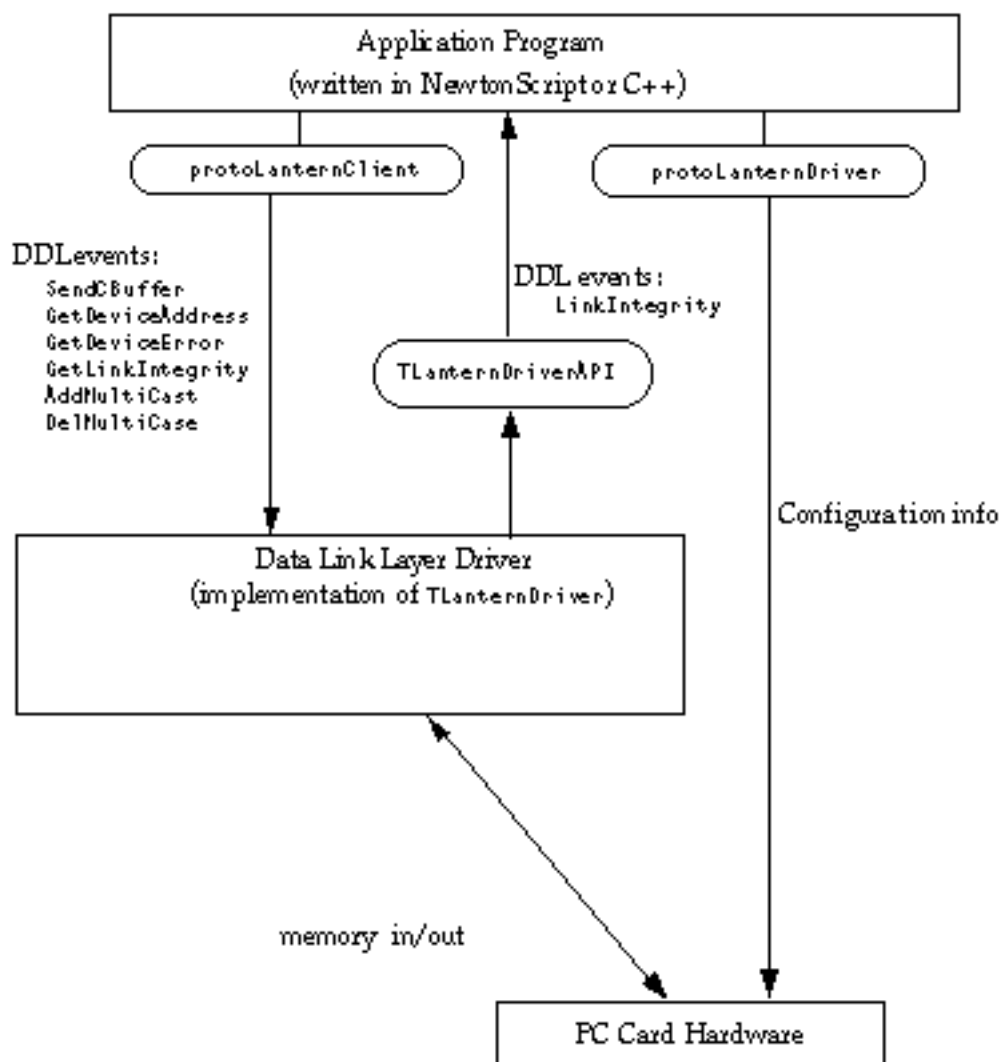
NIE 2.0 and AppleTalk have been adapted to use the Newton Operating System data link layer software to support ethernet devices. Any ethernet data link layer driver installed on a Newton can be used by AppleTalk and NIE 2.0.

In addition to supporting NIE 2.0 and AppleTalk, your driver can be used by any NewtonScript application (in the form of a `protoLanternClient`) to send and receive specific kinds of input and output packets. It is your responsibility to publish the details required to use your driver, such as the driver-specific events you may want to provide as an API.

# Newton Data Link Layer Architecture

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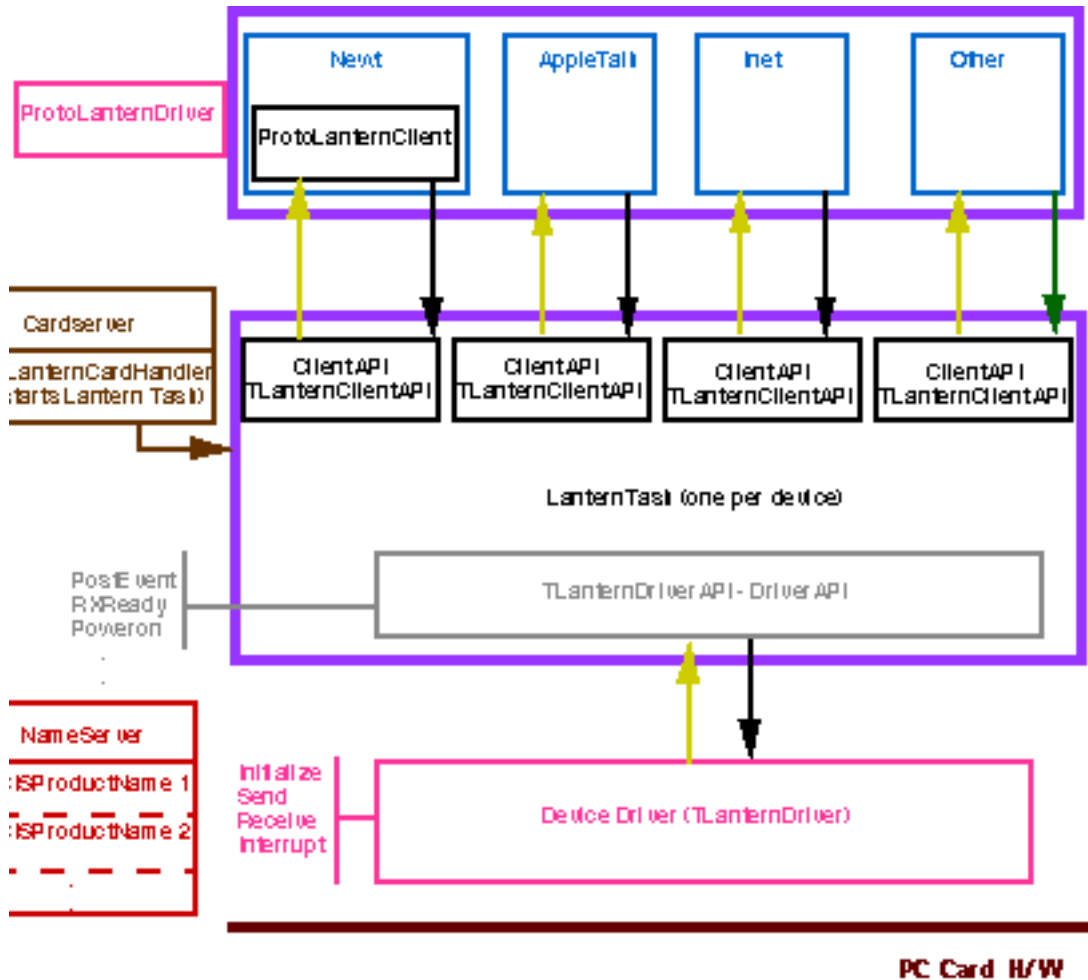
The Newton data link layer architecture is designed to support devices without having to know any details about the hardware or the clients who use the hardware. Figure 1-1 shows an overview of the architecture, and Figure 1-2 provides a more detailed picture of the Lantern task architecture.

**Figure 1-1** Overview of the data link layer architecture

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Figure 1-2 shows a more detailed version of the Lantern architecture.

**Figure 1-2** Detailed Lantern task architecture





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## About Newton Tasks

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The Newton operating system is multitasking, with Lantern as a task controlled by the operating system. Each data link layer driver runs within the Lantern task.

Lantern receives requests from and sends requests (or replies) to other tasks. Lantern makes sure that each driver request is sent to the appropriate driver. The data link layer drivers use the Remote Procedure Call (RPC) mechanism to create an interface with other software components of the system. RPC is implemented as a request-reply mechanism: one task sends a RPC request to another task, which sends a RPC reply back to the requester after it completes the request.

Events and event handlers work with the RPC mechanism. Client applications can communicate with your driver by using remote procedure calls and by calling methods in the driver p-class.

This section provides a brief description of Newton tasks and provides an overview of how communications tools fit into the system software architecture.

## About Newton Tasks and Ports

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Each driver is running in a separate Newton task. In the Newton system software, each task

- n has its own heap
- n has its own machine state, which is preserved across activations of the task
- n is scheduled according to a priority value
- n can be preempted
- n has a port

The task uses its port to receive RPC requests from other tasks, and to send replies and requests to other tasks. Each data link driver task allocates a port for itself when it is started.

## When Your Driver is Called

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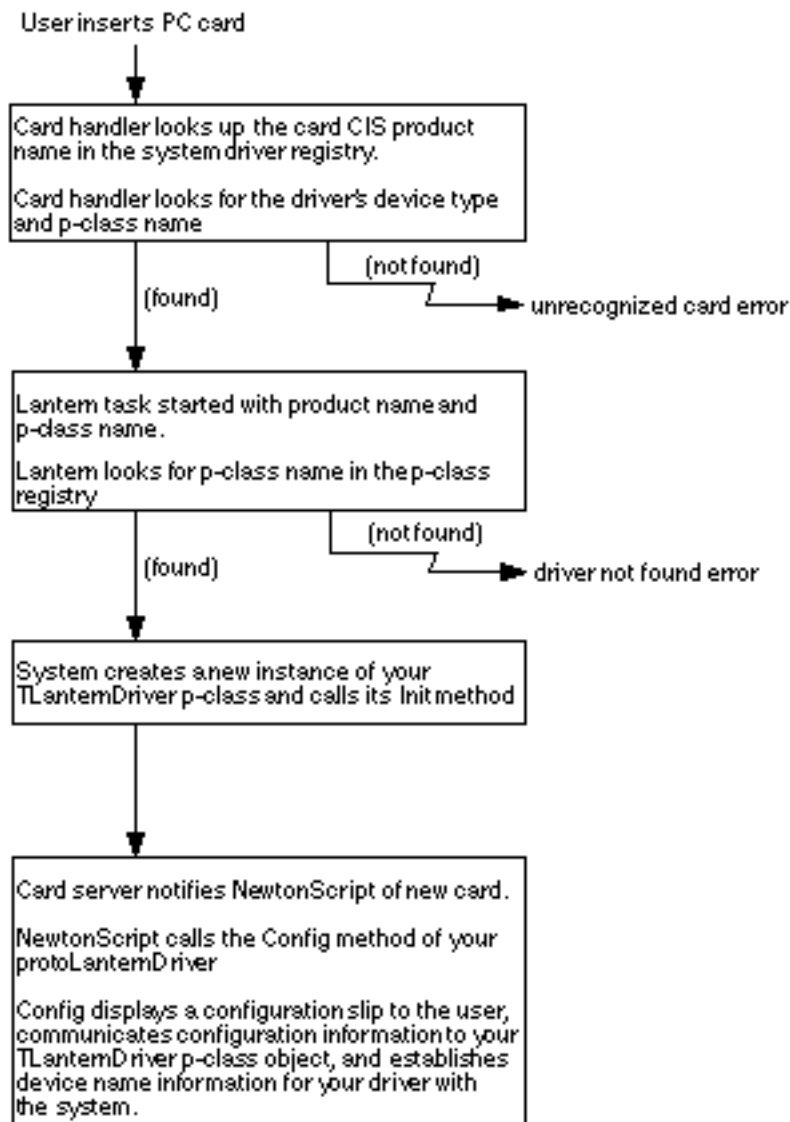
Your data link layer driver is called by the Newton OS when

- n the PC card is inserted into the Newton device
- n an application client attaches your driver
- n an application client sends communications requests to your driver
- n an application client finishes with your driver
- n the PC card is removed from the Newton device

### Card Insertion

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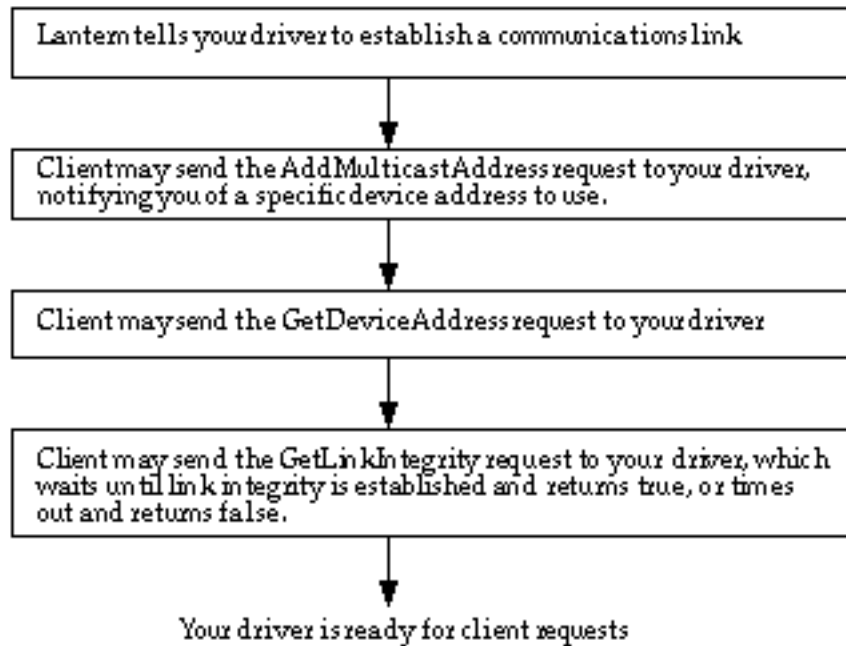
When the user inserts a PC card with a device that uses your driver, the Newton OS first checks the manufacturer and product strings in the CIS on the card, instantiates the appropriate driver, and then calls methods in your `protoLanternDriver` to communicate with the driver, configure it, and identify it to the system. Figure 1-3 shows the flow of control when the PC card is inserted.

**Figure 1-3** Flow of control when a PC card is inserted

## Application Attaches Your Driver

When an application client attaches your driver, the Newton OS sends the attach request to your driver. At this time, the client and the operating system send several requests to your driver to get a link established and ready your driver for client use.

**Figure 1-4** Flow of control for attaching an Appletalk ethernet device driver



Note that you cannot rely upon the ordering of the calls shown in Figure 1-4, because some client applications may use a different order.

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## Client Requests

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Once the link is established and your driver is ready, the client application sends requests to your driver to send and receive data.

## Card Removal or Application Completion

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When the client application is done with your driver, or when the card is removed, the client sends your driver the `DeleteMulticastAddress` request, and then the Newton OS tells your driver to close the communications link. When the card is removed, your driver's p-class instance is deleted.

# Implementing Your Own Driver

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To implement your driver, you need to implement one p-class and one prototype:

- n Implement a `protoLanternDriver` that allows NewtonScript and C++ clients to access your driver. This proto allows Newton applications to use your driver like an endpoint.
- n Implement a `TLanternDriver` p-class to handle RPCs from clients of your driver and manage the internal state of the driver.

Chapter 2, "How to Write a Lantern Driver" provides a description and sample code for implementing your driver p-class and prototype.

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# How to Write a Lantern Driver

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This chapter provides a detailed description of how to write a Lantern driver, using a simple driver template to guide you through the process.

## Data Link Layer Model Driver Code

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The model driver code in this chapter is a model Lantern driver for an Ethernet card. You can use as a shell for implementing your own driver. The source files for this code are found on the CD-ROM that accompanies this book.

Chapter 3, “Data Link Layer Tool Reference,” contains complete descriptions of the protocols, classes, method, functions, and constants that you use to implement your driver.

This chapter begins with the declaration of the model driver p-class, and then describes the model driver implementation in the following sections:

- n driver event definitions
- n p-class creation and destruction methods

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- n Lantern task service methods
- n Lantern client service methods

This chapter concludes with a list of driver implementation notes and limitations that you need to consider.

## Data Link Layer Model Driver P-class

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This section shows the declaration of the TTemplateDriver p-class. This is the p-class for the model Ethernet data link layer driver described in this chapter.

```
#define kPacketAddrSize      (6)
#define kTimerTime          (100)           // Milliseconds

PROTOCOL TTemplateDriver : public TLanternDriver // Protocol class
    PROTOCOLVERSION(1.0)                       // Protocol class version
{
    public:

        // Protocol Class Interface

        // DO NOT change the following line (Required)
        PROTOCOL_IMPL_HEADER_MACRO(TTemplateDriver);

        TLanternDriver*      New(void);
        void                  Delete();

        // Task services

        // driver initialization
        NewtonErr            Init(void);
        // start or resume card operations
        NewtonErr            Enable();
        // stop or suspend card operations
        NewtonErr            Disable();
        // handle a card interrupt
        void                  InterruptHandler()

    private:
        // Client Services(from event handlers of TLanterDriverAPI)
```



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```

        // transmit a buffer
void        SendBuffer(Ptr thePacket, Size size);
        // transmit a CBufferList
void        SendCBufferList(CBufferList* thePacket);
        // return the device address
void        GetDeviceAddress(UByte* addr, Size size);
        // add a multicast address
void        AddMulticastAddress(UByte* addr);
        // delete a multicast address
void        DelMulticastAddress(UByte* addr);
        // get the link integrity flag
void        GetLinkIntegrity(void);

        // Optional services
        // Set to receive in promiscuous mode
void        SetPromiscuous(ULong promiscuous);
        // Get a throughput statistic
void        GetThroughput(void);

        // Private Services for this driver
        // Called when driver timer expires
void        TimerExpired(void);

        // Internal variables
        // internal status
ULong        fStatus;
        // Ethernet address
UChar        fEthernetAddr[kPacketAddrSize];
        // link integrity status
Boolean        fLinkIntegrity;
        // is a timer event posted?
Boolean        fTimerPosted;
        // the time for the next timer event
TTime*        fTickTime;

};

        // Internal status definitions
enum kStatus
{
        // no status yet
        kStatusNoStatus        =    0x00000000,
        // card power is turned on
        kStatusCardPowerOn    =    0x00000001,

```

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};

## Driver event definitions

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This section shows the model driver code for defining an event (a timer event) for driver use.

```
#define kTemplateTimerEvent          'tmpl','timr',0          // Timer event
```

## P-class Creation and Destruction Methods

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This section describes the `TLanternDriver` protocol methods that you need to provide in your driver to manage creation and destruction of the p-class. The protocol for the model driver is named `TTemplateDriver`.

```
PROTOCOL_IMPL_SOURCE_MACRO(TTemplateDriver)          // DON'T CHANGE THIS!
```

### New

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The `New` method of your p-class needs to allocate and initialize any driver variables that you use.

This method is called when the user inserts the card into the Newton device. Note that the `fCardSocket`, `fCardPCMCIA`, and `fDriverAPI` variables have not yet been set at the time of this call. They are available in the `Init` method.

The model driver implementation of `New` creates a timer event record.

```
TLanternDriver* TTemplateDriver::New()
{
    fTickTime = new TTime;

    return this;          // Always return this
}
```

### WARNING

The Newton p-class handler does not automatically call imbedded class constructors. If you define an imbedded class in your p-class, you must explicitly call the constructor for that class. The code segment below shows an example. u

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```

PROTOCOL TTemplateDriver: ...
{
    ...
    TImbedClass fImbed;
    ...
}

...

TTemplateDriver::New()
{
    ...
    new(&fImbed) TImbedClass;
    ...
}

```

**Delete**

---

Your p-class destructor method, `Delete`, is called when the card is removed from the Newton device. Your implementation needs to perform any needed clean-up operations, and free any memory that you have allocated.

```

void TTemplateDriver::Delete()
{
    delete fTickTime;
    fTickTime = nil;
}

```

**Lantern Task Service Methods**

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This section describes the methods that you need to provide in your driver p-class to implement task service level methods.

**Init**

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Your driver's `Init` method is called when the card has been inserted into the Newton device and a client has requested the services of your driver. You use this method to initialize your driver and set up the card.

The model driver implementation of `Init` registers the appropriate method for each Lantern event request.

```

NewtonErr TTemplateDriver::Init()

```

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```

{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //*** add code here to check if the card is working correctly

    // add Lantern request functions
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternSendBuffer,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::SendBuffer);
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternSendCBufferList,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::SendCBufferList);
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternGetDeviceAddress,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::GetDeviceAddress);
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternAddMulticastAddress,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::AddMulticastAddress);
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternDelMulticastAddress,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::DelMulticastAddress);
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternGetLinkIntegrity,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::GetLinkIntegrity);

    // add Optional handlers
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternSetPromiscuous,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::SetPromiscuous);
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternGetThroughput,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::GetThroughput);

    // add private timer services handler
    fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kTemplateTimerEvent,
                               (DriverProcPtr) &TTemplateDriver::TimerExpired);
    fTimerPosted = false;

    return err;
}

```

**Enable**

You `Enable` method is called whenever a client requires the services of your card. This method is called for the first client that uses your driver's services; it is not called when subsequent clients ask for the services of your driver.

The model driver implementation of `Enable` turns on power to the card and posts a timer event to itself (the driver) to get its timer handling going.

```

NewtonErr TTemplateDriver::Enable()
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

```

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```

Boolean powerOn;

    // turn on card power
fDriverAPI->PowerOn(&powerOn);           // turn on card power
fStatus |= kStatusCardPowerOn;          // and remember that it is on

    //... Add your code here

if (!fTimerPosted)
{
    // this posts the event to our own task so we get the event
    fTimerPosted = true;
    *fTickTime = GetGlobalTime() + TTime(kTimerTime, kMilliseconds);
    fDriverAPI->PostLocalEvent(fTickTime, kTemplateTimerEvent);
}
return err;
}

```

**WARNING**

You must not access card memory until after your driver is enabled. If you attempt to do so, the entire Lantern subsystem may halt. u

**Disable**

Your `Disable` method is called when the Newton OS determines that there are no clients requiring the services of your driver or that the card is no longer available. Your implementation needs to terminate any receive or transmit operations.

The model driver implementation of `Disable` turns off power to the card.

```

NewtonErr TTemplateDriver::Disable()
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    fDriverAPI->PowerOff();           // turn off card power and remember it
    fStatus &= ~kStatusCardPowerOn;

    //... Add your code here

    return err;
}

```

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**TimerExpired**

The model driver creates a timer event type to allow it to periodically perform operations. The driver receives the timer event, performs some actions, and then sends the event to itself. You can use this code as a model for implementing timer handling in your driver.

You can implement any number of timers in your driver: add a new event type and a handler for that event for each timer you need. To define a timer, follow these steps:

1. Define the event type, as shown in “Driver event definitions” (page 2-4).
2. Add an event handler method for that event type, as shown in the model driver’s implementation of the Init method (page 2-5).
3. Call `PostLocalEvent` with a delay to send the event.
4. Implement the method to handle your timer event.

It’s a good idea to check link integrity in your timer event handler. Note that the model driver’s timer event handler does not do this because link integrity cannot be determined on the card that it is driving.

```
void TTemplateDriver::TimerExpired(void)
{
    if (fStatus & kStatusCardPowerOn)
    {
        //*** add your code here

        // grab link integrity and post it here:
        // Boolean linkIntegrity = GetLinkIntegrity();
        // if (linkIntegrity != fLinkIntegrity)
        //     fDriverAPI->PostEvent(kLanternLinkIntegrity,
        //                          (ULong) (fLinkIntegrity = linkIntegrity));

        // post the event to our own task so we get the event
        fTimerPosted = true;
        *fTickTime = *fTickTime + TTime(kTimerTime, kMilliseconds);
        fDriverAPI->PostLocalEvent(fTickTime, kTemplateTimerEvent);
    }
    else
    {
        // else timer services are cancelled.
        fTimerPosted = false;
    }
}
```

## How to Write a Lantern Driver

**InterruptHandler**

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Your `InterruptHandler` method is called by Lantern from the task level after an interrupt line on the card is asserted. This method is dispatched as a priority event from the Newton OS interrupt handler, which means that it is not a true interrupt handler. This means that it does not have to execute as time-critical or out-of state code. However, the method is dispatched before any other pending RPCs waiting for your driver.

Lantern makes an assumption that a device can buffer inbound data for at least the amount of time required for the interrupt event to be dispatched (which can lead to some loss of packets). The current minimum time between a card interrupt and the execution of your `InterruptHandler` method is approximately 50 mSecs. This timing is subject to change in future releases.

```
void TTemplateDriver::InterruptHandler()
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;
    //... Add your code here

    fDriverAPI->InterruptDone();           // optional and not really needed
}
```

**Lantern Client Service Methods**

---

This section describes the methods that you need to provide in your driver p-class to implement client service level methods.

**SendBuffer**

---

Your `SendBuffer` method is called when Lantern needs your driver to send data. You need to send the data asynchronously, and you must buffer the data.

```
void TTemplateDriver::SendBuffer(Ptr thePacket, Size packetSize)
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //... Add your code here

    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err);
}
```

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**SendCBufferList**

---

Your `SendCBufferList` method is called when Lantern needs your driver to send data. You need to send the data asynchronously, and you must buffer the data.

```
void TTemplateDriver::SendCBufferList(CBufferList* thePacket)
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //*** Add your code here

    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err);
}
```

**GetDeviceAddress**

---

Your driver receives the `GetDeviceAddress` request when a client needs to know the hardware address of your device.

The model driver implementation of this method returns the 6-byte device Ethernet hardware address.

```
void TTemplateDriver::GetDeviceAddress(UByte* addr, Size size)
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //*** change the following as needed

    if (size <= sizeof(fEthernetAddr)) {
        memcpy((char*)addr, (char*)fEthernetAddr, size);
    }
    else {
        err = eLANTERN_DriverValueRangeError;
    }

    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err);
}
```

**AddMulticastAddress**

---

Your driver receives the `AddMulticastAddress` request when a client wants you to add a multicast address.

```
void TTemplateDriver::AddMulticastAddress(UChar* addr)
```



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```

{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //... Add your code here

    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err);                // Reply
}

```

**DelMulticastAddress**

---

Your driver receives the `DelMulticastAddress` request when a client wants you to delete a multicast address.

```

void TTemplateDriver::DelMulticastAddress(UChar* addr)
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //... Add your code here

    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err);                // Reply
}

```

**GetLinkIntegrity**

---

Your driver receives the `GetLinkIntegrity` request when a client needs to determine the current status of the link integrity. If you cannot determine this for your device, return `true`.

```

void TTemplateDriver::GetLinkIntegrity()
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;
    ULong linkIntegrity = true;

    //... Add your code here
    // linkIntegrity = GetLinkIntegrity();                // Get link status
    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err, 1, linkIntegrity); // Reply
}

```

**SetPromiscuous**

---

You can use promiscuous mode for an ethernet device driver to receive all packets on a network, regardless of the destination ethernet address. This effectively allows you to snoop the network.

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When your driver receives this event, you need to enable the hardware on the card to use promiscuous mode. The model driver implementation does not support this mode and thus replies that the event was not handled.

```
void TTemplateDriver::SetPromiscuous(ULong promiscuous)
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;
    //*** Change the following if supported

    err = eLANTERN_DriverUnhandledEvent;
    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err); // Reply
}
```

## GetThroughput

---

Some devices maintain an average throughput value for their ethernet hardware. An application can send this event to your driver to retrieve the throughput value(s).

If your hardware does not support this capability, you need to reply to the event with an unhandled event error, as does the model driver.

You can return 0 for any throughput value that your hardware does not support. You can also return separate values for the receive, transmit, and overall throughput values.

The model driver implementation does not support this mode and thus replies that the event was not handled.

```
void TTemplateDriver::GetThroughput(void)
{
    NewtonErr err = noErr;

    //*** Change the following if supported

    err = eLANTERN_DriverUnhandledEvent;
    fDriverAPI->PostReply(err); // Reply
}
```

## Data Link Layer Driver Notes and Limitations

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This section provides a collection of implementation notes for data link layer drivers.

## How to Write a Lantern Driver

## Busy Loops

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- n You should never use busy wait loops when performing input/output operations in your driver. Only use busy wait loops if the device registers need a read/write delay to allow for hardware latency.
- n You can use short (100ms or less) busy wait loops for device state or control operations. Operations such as these are typically called synchronously from the client.

## Packet Delivery

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- n The Newton system software considers a packet successfully delivered as soon as the request is received. If your driver fails to successfully deliver a packet, the packet must be discarded. The client is expected to implement protocols to deal with this situation.
- n The Newton system software queues input packets strictly to provide efficient support of multiple clients. Packets are not queued indefinitely: they may be dropped arbitrarily before all clients have read them.
- n If packet delivery failure is occurring due to a poor communications link, you can raise the LinkIntegrity event to signal the operating system that the link is inoperable. The client can then choose to continue, abort the link, or attempt to resolve.
- n You must use asynchronous input/output when your driver implements any form of handshake with a remote device for delivery of a packet.
- n Lantern discards newer packets while waiting for the oldest packets to be delivered.

## Link Integrity Changes

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- n Your driver should not change state or behavior due to a change in link integrity. Input/output requests may still arrive (and should be dropped) while the link integrity is poor.

## How to Write a Lantern Driver

### Exception Handling in Your Driver

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- n The Newton Operating System encloses all driver calls within an exception-handling block, which means that you do not need to perform your own exception handling in your implementation of the driver methods.

### Multicast Clients

---

If your driver has two clients and one subscribes to a multicast group, the other client also receives those packets. This is a current limitation in the Lantern architecture.

# Data Link Layer Tool Reference

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This chapter describes the constants, data types, and p-classes that you use to implement a communications tool for the Newton.

## Data Link Layer Tool Constants and Data Types

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This section describes the constants and data types that you use with your communications tool.

### Data Link Layer Error Codes

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This section lists the error codes generated by the Data Link Layer of the Newton Operating System.

eLANTERN_DriverNotFound	= -61001
eLANTERN_DriverInstallFailed	= -61002
eLANTERN_DriverRemoveFailed	= -61003
eLANTERN_DriverUnhandledEvent	= -61004
eLANTERN_DriverPacketDropped	= -61005

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eLANTERN_DriverException	= -61006
eLANTERN_DriverNewAsyncFailed	= -61007
eLANTERN_DriverCardNotInserted	= -61008
eLANTERN_DriverAlreadyReplied	= -61009
eLANTERN_DriverRequestNotRepliedTo	= -61010
eLANTERN_DriverValueRangeError	= -61200
eLANTERN_DriverHardwareFailure	= -61201
eLANTERN_DriverResourceFailure	= -61202
eLANTERN_ClientDispatchFailed	= -61300
eLANTERN_ClientAlreadyBound	= -61301
eLANTERN_ClientNotBound	= -61302
eLANTERN_ClientNoMemory	= -61303
eLANTERN_ClientNewAsyncMsgFailed	= -61304
eLANTERN_ClientInvalidTaskType	= -61305

### Constant descriptions

eLANTERN_DriverNotFound	The driver could not be loaded.
eLANTERN_DriverInstallFailed	The driver installation failed.
eLANTERN_DriverRemoveFailed	The driver could not be removed.
eLANTERN_DriverUnhandledEvent	The driver did not support the specified request.
eLANTERN_DriverPacketDropped	The requested packet is no longer in the cache.
eLANTERN_DriverException	The driver caused an exception to be thrown. Note that this is usually the evt.ex.abt.perm exception.
eLANTERN_DriverNewAsyncFailed	An internal resource is depleted.
eLANTERN_DriverCardNotInserted	The card handler is not available because RemoveServices was called.
eLANTERN_DriverAlreadyReplied	The driver replied to an RPC twice.

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eLANTERN\_DriverRequestNotRepliedTo

The driver did not reply to an RPC.

eLANTERN\_DriverValueRangeError

The supplied data values are out of range for the device.

eLANTERN\_DriverHardwareFailure

An unrecoverable hardware fault was detected.

eLANTERN\_DriverResourceFailure

The driver could not perform the operation due to lack of system resources.

eLANTERN\_ClientDispatchFailed

Dispatching events is not supported by this task.

eLANTERN\_ClientAlreadyBound

Attempt to bind a client that is already bound.

eLANTERN\_ClientNotBound

The operation requires the client to be bound.

eLANTERN\_ClientNoMemory

The client is out of memory.

eLANTERN\_ClientNewAsyncMsgFailed

An asynchronous request failed because an internal resource could not be accessed.

eLANTERN\_ClientInvalidTaskType

The requested operation is not supported by this task type.

# Data Link Layer Driver RPCs and Events

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This section describes the remote procedure calls (RPCs) and events with which your data link layer driver needs to work. Table 3-1 summarizes the events.

**Table 3-1** Data link layer driver events

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RPC or event name	Description
kLanternSendBuffer	Sent to notify your driver that data needs to be sent.
kLanternSendCBufferList	Sent to notify your driver that data needs to be sent.
KLanternGetDeviceAddress	Sent to notify your driver to return the hardware device address.
kLanternGetLinkIntegrity	Sent to your driver to determine the status of the link.
kLanternAddMulticastAddress	Sent to your driver to add a specified hardware ethernet address as a multicast address.
kLanternDelMulticastAddress	Sent to your driver to notify you to delete the specified address as a multicast address.
kLanternLinkIntegrity	Your driver sends this event to all of its clients to notify them that the status of the link has changed.
kLanternDriverFailure	Your driver sends this event to all of its clients to notify them of a driver error condition.



## RPCs Sent to Your Driver

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This section describes the remote procedure calls that are sent to your driver by the Newton Operating System or by your client programs.

### kLanternSendBuffer

---

```
kLanternSendBuffer kLanternEventClass,'sndB',2
// (Ptr ptr, Size size) : {}
```

The Newton Operating System sends the `kLanternSendBuffer` request when your driver needs to send data in the form of a pointer to a buffer.

#### Event Send Arguments

*ptr*                      A pointer to the data to be sent. The size of the buffer pointed to by *ptr* must be equal to or greater than the minimum packet size.

*size*                     The number of bytes of data to be sent.

#### Event Return Arguments

None.

### kLanternSendCBufferList

---

```
kLanternSendCBufferList kLanternEventClass,'sndC',1
// (CBufferList* data) : {}
```

The Newton Operating System sends the `kLanternSendCBufferList` request when your driver needs to send data in the form of a `CBufferList`.

#### Event Send Arguments

*data*                     A pointer to a `CBufferList` that contains the data to be sent.

#### Event Return Arguments

None.

### kLanternGetDeviceAddress

---

```
kLanternGetDeviceAddress kLanternEventClass,'gdva',2
// (UByte* addr, Size size) : {}
```

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The Newton Operating System sends the `kLanternGetDeviceAddress` request to request that your driver return the current hardware address. For ethernet address, this is a 6-byte ethernet hardware address.

**Event Send Arguments**

*addr*                      A pointer to the address in which the hardware address should be stored.

*size*                      The number of bytes to store.

**Event Return Arguments**

None.

**kLanternGetLinkIntegrity**

---

```
kLanternGetLinkIntegrity kLanternEventClass,'glit',0
// () : {ULong link}
```

A client sends the `kLanternGetLinkIntegrity` request to your driver to determine the current status of the link. You return `true` if the link is available.

For an ethernet card, you return `true` if you can detect that the device is connected to a LAN and `false` if you can detect that the device is not connected. If you are unable to detect, return `true`.

**Event Send Arguments**

None.

**Event Return Arguments**

*link*                      An unsigned long value that specifies the status of the link. Return `true` if the link is available.

**kLanternAddMulticastAddress**

---

```
kLanternAddMulticastAddress kLanternEventClass,'amca',1
// (UByte* addr) : {}
```

A client sends the `kLanternAddMulticastAddress` request to notify you to add a specific hardware device address as a multicast address. For example, AppleTalk might need to add an AppleTalk broadcast address.

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The driver is responsible for remembering any multicast addresses between calls to the `Enable` and `Disable` methods of your driver.

If your driver receives multiple requests to add a specific address as a multicast address, you are responsible for maintaining a count in coordination with `kLanternDelMulticastAddress` events. This is because two different clients can request addition of the same address.

**Event Send Arguments**

*addr*                      The multicast address to add.

**Event Return Arguments**

None.

**kLanternDelMulticastAddress**

---

```
kLanternDelMulticastAddress kLanternEventClass,'dmca',1
                               // (UByte* addr) : {}
```

A client sends the `kLanternDelMulticastAddress` request to notify you that you should remove the specified multicast address.

Note that your driver is responsible for maintaining a count of requests to use a specified multicast address, which means that you must only delete the address when the count reaches zero.

**Event Send Arguments**

*data*                      A pointer to a `CBufferList` that contains the data to be sent.

**Event Return Arguments**

None.

**Events Your Driver Sends**

---

This section describes the events that your driver sends to its clients.

**kLanternLinkIntegrity**

---

```
kLanternLinkIntegrity kLanternEventClass,'link',1
                               // (ULong link)
```

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Your driver sends this event to notify clients that the status of the link has changed with regard to media being available or connected. For example, you send this event if the LAN cable is plugged in, or if a wireless connection exists over which packets can be transported.

**Event Send Arguments**

*link*                      The status of the link. Set this to `true` if the link is connected.

**Event Return Arguments**

None.

**kLanternDriverFailure**

---

```
kLanternDriverFailure kLanternEventClass,'fail',1
// (NewtonErr reason)
```

Your driver sends this event to notify clients that a driver error has occurred.

**Event Send Arguments**

*err*                      The driver-specific error code.

**Event Return Arguments**

None.

## The Data Link Layer Driver P-Class

---

This section describes the *TLanternDriver* p-class, which you implement to create a data link layer driver. Listing 3-1 shows the *TLanternDriver* p-class.

---

**Listing 3-1**      The data link layer driver p-class

```
PROTOCOL TlanternDriver : public TProtocol
{
public:
    static TlanternDriver*                      New(char*);
```

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```

void                                Delete();

NewtonErr                           Init(void);

NewtonErr    Enable(void);
NewtonErr    Disable(void);
NewtonErr    InterruptHandler(void);

protected:
friend class TLanternTask;
    TCardSocket*          fCardSocket;
    TCardPCMCIA           fCardPCMCIA;
    TLanternDriverAPI*    fDriverAPI;
}

```

## Data Link Layer Driver P-Class Methods

---

This section describes the methods of the `TLanternDriver` p-class.

### WARNING

If your code attempts to access the card after it has been removed, an exception is thrown and the rest of your code will not execute. To protect against this, you should enclose your code in an exception block. u

### New

---

```
static TLanternDriver::New(char* );
```

Is called to construct your p-class object.

return value      None.

### DISCUSSION

The `New` method is called to construct your p-class object. This constructor is different than the standard C++ constructor because of the glue code that the Newton Operating System uses to create the interface to this p-class.

### IMPORTANT

Your implementation of the `New` method must return the class instance pointer, as follows:

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```
return this;
```

```
u
```

**Delete**

---

```
void TLanternDriver::Delete();
```

Is called to delete your p-class object.

return value          None.

**DISCUSSION**

Your implementation of the `Delete` method should free any resources associated with your driver. For example, you can deallocate any memory that has been allocated in your p-class.

**Init**

---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriver::Init();
```

Is called when the card being controlled by your driver is inserted into the Newton device or when the device is reset.

return value          An error code.

**DISCUSSION**

Your implementation of the `Init` method can perform any initialization required to determine that you can properly work with the card. For example, you might test the card's memory in your `Init` method.

Another common operation of the `Init` method is to register your event handlers.

**Enable**

---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriver::Enable();
```

Is called whenever the services of the card being controlled by your driver are required.

return value          An error code.

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

**DISCUSSION**

The `Enable` method is called when a client requests the services of your driver or when the Newton is powered up after a prior power-off sequence. This method is called when the first client requires the services of your driver; subsequent clients do not generate another call to `Enable`.

Your implementation of the `Enable` method needs to call the `PowerOn` method to turn on Vcc to the card.

Note that the clients of an ethernet card can be one of the following:

- n AppleTalk
- n TCP/IP
- n a `protoLanternClient` client in a NewtonScript application

You must maintain the current state of the device being controlled by your driver at all times. This means that you must remember situations and events such as the following:

- n when your driver receives a request before being enabled, you may need to save the request and activate it after enabling. Do this for any requests that you cannot process without being enabled.
- n when your driver receives a `Disable` request, you must save state so that your driver can be reenabled in the same state.
- n any state information generated by special events sent to your driver by an instance of `protoLanternDriver`.

**Disable**


---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriver::Disable();
```

Is called when the services provided by the card being controlled by your driver are no longer needed.

return value            An error code.

**DISCUSSION**

The `Disable` method is called when there are no more clients using the services of your driver or when the card has been removed by the user.

Your implementation of the `Disable` method needs to turn off Vcc to the card.

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**InterruptHandler**

---

*void* TLanternDriver::InterruptHandler();

Is called after an interrupt line on the card being controlled by your driver changes level.

return value           None.

**DISCUSSION**

The `InterruptHandler` method is called whenever an interrupt line changes level. The Newton Operating System interrupt handler calls this method as a priority event.

Since this is not a true interrupt handler, you do not have to execute this method as time-critical or out-of-state code. However, it is a priority event, which means that your driver receives the `InterruptHandler` call before receiving any other pending events. The minimum time between a card interrupt and your `InterruptHandler` method getting called is approximately 50 milliseconds; however, the actual time could be longer.

The Newton Operating System assumes that the device being controlled by your driver is capable of buffering inbound data for at least as long as is required to dispatch an interrupt event. This can lead to a loss of data for high bitrate devices or on noisy networks.

The `PowerOn` method enables interrupts for the PC card by default. This means that any change in the IRQ level generates an interrupt. Some PC cards do not interrupt in this manner; for example, some cards require a positive edge IRQ change. If necessary for your card, you can call `PowerOn` and tell it to not enable interrupts; you then enable card interrupts as required for your card. Note that this method of handling interrupts will make your driver incompatible with future multi-function card drivers.

You can optionally call the `TLanternDriverAPI::InterruptDone` method from within your implementation of `InterruptHandler`. If you do not call `InterruptDone`, the system assumes that you are done with the interrupt when your `InterruptHandler` method returns. The Newton Operating System uses the `InterruptDone` method to reenable interrupts on the device, if necessary.



## Data Link Layer Driver P-Class Fields

---

This section describes the fields of the TLantern p-class.

### fCardSocket

---

TCardSocket\* TLanternDriver::fCardSocket;

Is a pointer to the TCardSocket instance associated with the driver. You can use this to access methods of the TCardSocket class instance for your driver.

### fCardPCMCIA

---

TCardPCMCIA\* TLanternDriver::fCardPCMCIA;

Is a pointer to the TCardPCMCIA instance associated with the driver. You can use this to access methods of the TCardPCMCIA class instance for your driver.

### fDriverAPI

---

TCardSocket\* TLanternDriver::fDriverAPI;

Is a pointer to the TLanternDriverAPI instance associated with the driver. You can use this to access methods of the TLanternDriverAPI class instance for your card.

## The Data Link Layer Driver API P-Class

---

This section describes the TLanternDriverAPI p-class, which provides the methods that you call from your TLanternDriver implementation. Listing 3-2 shows the TLanternDriverAPI p-class.

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### Listing 3-2 The data link layer driver API p-class

```

PROTOCOL TLanternDriverAPI : public TProtocol
{
public:
    static TLanternDriverAPI*      New(char*);
    void                            Delete();

```

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```

        NewtonErr                                Init(TLanternTask*);

        NewtonErr                                PowerOn(Boolean* powerOn, Boolean intEnable=true);
        NewtonErr                                PowerOff(ULong msDelay=kDefaultPowerDownTime,
                                                         Boolean intDisable=true);

        Ptr                                       NewPacketPtr(Size size);
        NewtonErr                                RxReady(Ptr buf, Size size=0);
        NewtonErr                                InterruptDone(void);

        NewtonErr                                CardHandlerSpecific(ULong selector, ...);

        NewtonErr                                AddEventHandler(kLanternEventType, DriverProcPtr);
        NewtonErr                                PostEvent(kLanternEventType, ...);
        NewtonErr                                PostLocalEvent(kLanternEventType, ...);
        NewtonErr                                PostLocalEvent(TTime*, kLanternEventType, ...);
        NewtonErr                                PostReply(NewtonErr);
        NewtonErr                                PostReply(NewtonErr, ULong nArgs, ...);
    }

```

## Data Link Layer Driver API P-Class Methods

---

This section describes the methods of the `TLanternAPI` p-class. The first three methods of this p-class are called by the Newton Operating system and are not of any use to you as a driver developer. These three methods are not described and must not be called directly by your driver:

```

n   TLANternDriverAPI::New
n   TLANternDriverAPI::Delete
n   TLANternDriverAPI::Init

```

### PowerOn

---

```

NewtonErr TLANternDriverAPI::PowerOn(Boolean *powerOn,
                                     Boolean intEnable);

```

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

Your driver calls `PowerOn` to power up and initialize the device that it is controlling.

<i>powerOn</i>	Upon return, this is <code>false</code> if the card was already powered up, and <code>true</code> if the card was not already powered up.
<i>intEnable</i>	If <code>true</code> , enables interrupt control of the device. If you set this to <code>false</code> , your driver will not be compatible with a multifunction PC Card.
return value	An error code.

## DISCUSSION

The `PowerOn` method powers on the device being controlled by your driver. You typically call this in your implementation of the `TLanternDriver::Enable` method.

The `PowerOn` method performs the following actions:

1. powers on Vcc
2. resets the PCMCIA bus
3. waits for the card-ready line to be asserted
4. sets the bus access for 8-bit access

You can override this behavior in your driver by providing your own power-on function instead of using `PowerOn`; however, if you do so, you lose compatibility with multifunction PC Cards.

If `powerOn` is set to `false` when the method returns, it means that the card was already powered up. This can happen because of delays in powering the card off, or because the device is on a multifunction card on which other devices are powered up. If `powerOn` returns `false`, your driver probably does not need to reinitialize the card, which can save time.

If your card needs special processing to enable interrupts, you need to provide that code after the `PowerOn` method has completed. The `PowerOn` method enables IREQ on the bus, as shown here:

```
fSocket->EnableSocketInterrupt(kSocketCardIREQInt);
```

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

**PowerOff**

---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::PowerOff(ULong msDelay,  
                                       Boolean intDisable);
```

Your driver calls `PowerOff` to power down the device that it is controlling.

<i>msDelay</i>	The number of milliseconds to delay before powering down the device. Set this to the appropriate power-down time. You often want to leave the power on for a certain period of time before shutting down, in case the device's services are quickly requested again. This is useful for cards that have a long power-on time such as wireless LAN cards, which typically take time to acquire a network base station.
<i>intDisable</i>	If <code>true</code> , disables interrupt control of the device and clears out any pending interrupts. If <code>false</code> , your driver will not be compatible with multifunction PC cards.
return value	An error code.

**DISCUSSION**

The `PowerOff` method powers off the device being controlled by your driver. Your driver needs to call this method when it no longer needs to use the card; this is typically done in your `TLanternDriver::Disable` method.

The `PowerOff` method drops Vcc after the specified delay time and if no other drivers are using the card (for multifunction cards). If you need to override this behavior in your driver, you can provide your own power-off function instead of calling `PowerOff`; however, if you do so, you lose compatibility with multifunction PC Cards.

**NewPacketPtr**

---

```
Ptr TLanternDriverAPI::NewPacketPtr(Size size);
```

Your driver calls this method when it receives a new packet of data. `NewPacketPtr` allocates a block of memory for the data.

<i>size</i>	The number of bytes requested for the new packet.
return value	A pointer to the new packet.

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## DISCUSSION

The `NewPacketPtr` method allocates memory for packet data, using a memory allocation scheme that is optimized for packet memory requests.

If `NewPacketPtr` returns `nil`, your driver must discard the packet that it received from the PC Card and rely on higher level protocols to recover the data.

**Note**

You can only allocate one packet at a time. If you attempt to call `NewPacketPtr` a second time before calling `RxReady`, `NewPacketPtr` deletes the previous memory buffer and returns a new pointer to you. The Newton Operating System automatically cleans up memory after you call `RxReady` or when the p-class object is deleted.

**RxReady**


---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::RxReady(Ptr buf,  
                                     Size size);
```

Your driver calls `RxReady` after copying the packet data from the card buffer to the packet buffer. This makes the buffer ready for any clients of your driver.

<i>buf</i>	A pointer to the buffer contained the received data.
<i>size</i>	The size, in bytes, of the received data buffer.
return value	An error code.

## DISCUSSION

When your driver receives a packet of data, you first call the `NewPacketPtr` method to allocate a buffer for that data, then copy the data to the buffer, and then call `RxReady` to make the data available to your clients.

Inbound data packets are selectively queued until all clients have read them, or until a certain amount of time has passed.

The Newton Operating System automatically discards the packet memory when it is no longer needed. This means that your driver should not do anything with *buf* once you have called `RxReady`.

## InterruptDone

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::InterruptDone();
```

Your driver calls this method to tell the Newton Operating System that you have finished handling an interrupt in your driver's `InterruptHandler` method.

return value	An error code.
--------------	----------------

## DISCUSSION

When you call `InterruptDone`, the Newton Operating System reenables interrupts for the device (if necessary). If your `InterruptHandler` method does not call `InterruptDone`, the Newton Operating System assumes that interrupts can be reenables upon return from your `InterruptHandler`.

## CardHandlerSpecific

```
NewtonErr T LanternDriverAPI::CardHandlerSpecific(ULONG selector, ...);
```

Your driver can use this method to access a `CardSpecific` method in the `CardHandler` class for the PC Card.

*selector*                      ???.

return value	An error code.
--------------	----------------

## DISCUSSION

## AddEventHandler

```
NewtonErr TLANternDriverAPI::AddEventHandler(
                                kLanternEventType eventType,
                                DriverProcPtr          ptr);
```

You call this method to specify a method that is a handler for an event. You must also call this method to handle Newton OS events sent to your driver.

<i>eventType</i>	The type of event to be handled.
------------------	----------------------------------

<i>ptr</i>	A pointer to the function that handles the event.
------------	---

return value	An error code.
--------------	----------------

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

## DISCUSSION

You can extend your driver to handle events that are not predefined by the Newton Operating System for data link layer drivers. If you document these events for your clients, they can send these events to your driver. To handle these events, you need to add a method to your `TLanternDriver` p-class implementation and register that method with `AddEventHandler`.

To define an event that your driver handles, you use a statement such as the following:

```
#define kdeviceNameFunctionName kLanternClass, 'XXXX', n
// (call_arguments) :: (reply_arguments)
```

For example:

```
#define kLanternMyRPC kLanternClass, 'myEv', 1
// (CBufferList *) :: (Ulong result, MyStruct data;)
```

This example defines an RPC named `MyRPC` with identifier `'myEv'`. This RPC takes one argument (a pointer to a `CBufferList`) and returns a structured reply. You specify the call and reply parameters in the comment at the end of the `define` statement.

If you define a method in your driver named `MyRPC` to handle this event, you would then register `MyRPC` as an event handler as shown here:

```
fDriverAPI->AddEventHandler(kLanternMyRPC, &myDriver::MyRPC)
```

**Note**

For more information about events, RPCs, and using these with your driver, see Chapter 1, “Introduction.” <sup>u</sup>

**PostEvent**


---

```
NewtonErr TlanternDriverAPI::PostEvent(kLanternEventType eventType, ...);
```

You call this method from your driver to post an event for all clients of your driver.

<i>eventType</i>	The type of event to post.
...	Event-specific data
return value	An error code.

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

## DISCUSSION

You use the `PostEvent` method to post an event to all clients of your driver. This is an asynchronous call.

**PostLocalEvent**

---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::PostLocalEvent(
                                TTime* evtTime,
                                kLanternEventType eventType, ...);
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::PostLocalEvent(
                                kLanternEventType eventType, ...);
```

You call this method from your driver to post an event for your driver to handle. Only use `PostLocalEvent` to post events to yourself.

<i>eventTime</i>	The time at which to post a deferred event.
<i>eventType</i>	The type of event to post.
...	Event-specific data
return value	An error code.

## DISCUSSION

You use the `PostLocalEvent` method to post an event to all clients that are connected to your driver. You can post a standard driver event or a private event that you have defined. You need to add an event handler (see “AddEventHandler” (page 3-18)) for any private events that you have defined for your driver.

You can use the first form of `PostLocalEvent` to post the event at a later time.

**PostReply**

---

```
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::PostReply(NewtonErr err);
NewtonErr TLanternDriverAPI::PostReply(NewtonErr err,
                                         ULong nArgs,
                                         ...);
```



## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

You call the `PostReply` method to reply to an event that your driver has handled, if the event requires a reply. Use the first form to reply to an event with no reply arguments.

<i>err</i>	The error code for the reply.
<i>nArgs</i>	The number of unsigned long values that follow in the reply-specific data.
...	Reply-specific data
return value	An error code.

**DISCUSSION**

You call `PostReply` when your driver has finished handling an event. Clients receive the reply and can examine and use the reply arguments.

You need to specify the number of unsigned long values that are in the reply in *nArgs*. You can use the macro `SizeOfStructAsArgs()` to determine the size of any structure that you are passing back as a reply.

**Note**

Data is copied from the stack back to the client reply buffer. Any pointers in the argument list are passed literally, which means that they may not be of any value to the client. <sup>u</sup>

## TCardSocket Methods for Data Link Drivers

---

This section describes the methods of the `TCardSocket` p-class that you use in your driver. You can access these methods using the `TLanternDriver:fCardSocket` field in your driver's p-class.

This section describes these methods:

- n `AttributeMemBaseAddr`
- n `CommonMemBaseAddr`
- n `IOBaseAddr`
- n `SelectIOInterface`

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

n SetControl

n GetControl

**AttributeMemBaseAddr**

---

*ULong* TCardSocket::AttributeMemBaseAddr();

Returns the attribute memory base address for the card in the socket.

return value            The attribute memory base address.

The attribute memory space for a PC-card is mapped linearly into Newton memory space. There is no 64K addressing window on the Newton, as there is on other platforms.

**CommonMemBaseAddr**

---

*ULong* TCardSocket::CommonMemBaseAddr();

Returns the common memory base address for the card in the socket.

return value            The common memory base address.

The common memory space for a PC-card is mapped linearly into Newton memory space. There is no 64K addressing window on the Newton, as there is on other platforms.

**IOBaseAddr**

---

*ULong* TCardSocket::IOBaseAddr();

Returns the I/O base address for the card in the socket.

return value            The I/O base address.

The I/O space for a PC-card is mapped linearly into Newton memory space. There is no 64K addressing window on the Newton, as there is on other platforms.

**SelectIOInterface**

---

*void* TCardSocket::SelectIOInterface();

Selects the I/O configuration on the PCMCIA bus.

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

**IOBaseAddr**

---

*void* TCardSocket::SetControl(ULong control);

Sets the bus control value for the card.

*control*                      The bus control value.

return value                None.

**GetControl**

---

*ULong* TCardSocket::GetControl(ULong control);

Returns the current bus control value on the card.

return value                The bus control value.

## TCardPCMCIA Fields and Methods for Data Link Drivers

---

This section describes the methods and fields of the TCardPCMCIA p-class that you use in your driver. You can access these methods and fields using the TLanternDriver:fCardPCMCIA field in your driver's p-class.

This section describes these fields and methods from the TCardPCMCIA p-class:

n    GetCardManufacturer

n    GetCardProduct

n    GetCardV1String3

n    GetCardV1String4

n    GetCardConfiguration

n    fRegisterBaseAddress

n    fNumOfConfigEntry

n    fManufactureId

n    fManufactureIdIno

n    fFunctionId

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

This section also describes these fields from the `TCardConfiguration` class, which you can access with the `TCardPCMCIA::GetCardConfiguration` method.

n `fConfigurationNumber`

n `fIoAddresses`

### **GetCardManufacturer**

---

`const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardManufacturer() const;`

This method returns the string representation of the card manufacturer. This is the first string in the CIS Level 1 Version tuple.

return value            A constant string.

### **GetCardProduct**

---

`const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardProduct() const;`

This method returns the string representation of the card product name. This is the second string in the CIS Level 1 Version tuple.

return value            A constant string.

### **GetCardV1String3**

---

`const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardV1String3() const;`

This method returns the third string in the CIS Level 1 version tuple.

return value            A constant string.

### **GetCardV1String4**

---

`const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardV1String4() const;`

This method returns the fourth string in the CIS Level 1 Version tuple..

return value            A constant string.

### **GetCardConfiguration**

---

`TCardConfiguration* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardConfiguration(ULong configNum);`

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

This method returns the specified configuration object.

<i>configNum</i>	The number of the configuration entry that you want to access.
return value	A pointer to the configuration entry object.

**fRegisterBaseAddress**

---

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fRegisterBaseAddress;

Is the base address of the configuration registers for the card in attribute memory.

**fNumOfConfigEntry**

---

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fNumOfConfigEntry;

Is the number of configuration entries available.

**fManufactureId**

---

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fManufactureId;

Is the manufacturer code from the CIS Manufacturer Id tuple.

**fManufactureIdInfo**

---

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fManufactureIdInfo;

Is the manufacturer info value from the CIS Manufacturer Id tuple.

**fFunctionId**

---

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fFunctionId;

Is the function ID code from the CIS Function Id tuple.

**fConfigurationNumber**

---

UChar TConfiguration::fConfigurationNumber;

Is the configuration number for the configuration entry object.

**fIoAddresses**

---

ULong TConfiguration::fIoAddresses[0];

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

Is the I/O address for this configuration.

## The Data Link Layer Driver Proto (protoLanternDriver)

---

This section describes `protoLanternDriver`, the NewtonScript proto that you need to provide for your driver. You use this proto to register your card and perform a few configuration operations.

You can also use this proto to provide extra configuration events that you can send to clients to communicate configuration information.

You can also use this proto to define custom external events that your clients can send to you.

Listing 3-3 shows the `protoLanternDriver` slots.

---

### Listing 3-3 `protoLanternDriver` slots

```
{
  Config:                func(ConfigInfo, enforceConfig),
  AppSymbol:             Symbol,
  DeviceType:            String,
  DeviceDisplayName:     String           // or Array of Strings
  DeviceCISProductName:  String           // or Array of Strings
  DeviceClass:           Symbol,
  DeviceProtocolClassName: String,
  ConfigBeforeUse:       Boolean,         // TRUE or NIL
  AppleTalkAvailable: :  Boolean,         // TRUE or NIL
  EventDefs:            Array,

  // optional slots:
  DeviceInserted:       func(),
  DeviceRemoved:       func(),
  ConfigView:          View,
  MapErrorCode:        func(ErrorCode),
  StatusView:         View,
  ConfigChanged:       func(ConfigInfo),
  MakeMessageText:     func()
}
```

## The protoLanternDriver slots

---

This section describes the slots of *protoLanternDriver*.

### Config

---

Config: func(*ConfigInfo*, *enforceConfig*)

This method is called when the device is inserted. You can use this method to send the current configuration values to the driver; this allows you to put the driver into a state that matches the configuration values stored in the NewtonScript soup.

*ConfigInfo*                      A frame containing the information entered in the ConfigView slip.

*enforceConfig*                  If TRUE, you should return an error if the device cannot be configured.

### AppSymbol

---

AppSymbol: Symbol

The application symbol (*kAppSymbol*) is used in the system registry to name your driver. Your symbol must not conflict with any other registered drivers.

### DeviceType

---

DeviceType: String

The four-character identifier string used to uniquely identify the device to the Newton Operating System.

### DeviceDisplayName

---

DeviceDisplayName: String

The device name string used when displaying information to the user. If your driver can work with multiple devices, specify an array of device display names.

### DeviceCISProductName

---

DeviceCISProductName: String

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

The string contained in the device CIS (for PC Card devices). If your driver can work with multiple devices, specify an array of product name strings.

**DeviceClass**

---

DeviceClass: Symbol

The device class symbol. Currently, only 'ethernet is supported.

**DeviceProtocolClassName**

---

DeviceProtocolClassName: String

The string name of the p-class for your driver. For example, TTemplateDriver.

**ConfigBeforeUse**

---

ConfigBeforeUse: Boolean

A Boolean value. If TRUE, indicates that the device must be configured before use. This means that a user notification is generated when the card is inserted for the first time.

If NIL, indicates that the device does not need to be configured before use.

**AppleTalkAvailable**

---

AppleTalkAvailable: Boolean

A Boolean value. If TRUE, indicates that AppleTalk can be used with the device. If NIL, indicates that AppleTalk cannot be used with the device.

**EventDefs**

---

EventDefs: Array



## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

An array of event definition arrays. Each event definition has the following format:

<i>event symbol</i>	The event name. For example: 'evGetMemory.
<i>event class and ID</i>	A two-element array that contains the event class and event ID. For example: ["netw", "gmem"].
<i>send args array</i>	An array that specifies the type of each argument posted with the event. An empty array indicates that no arguments are posted. For example: [ULong].
<i>reply args array</i>	An array that specifies the type of each argument received back from event posting. An empty array indicates that no arguments are received. For example: [ULong].

The following is an example of an event definition array:  
 ['evGetMemory', ["netw", "gmem"], [ULong], [ULong]]

### DeviceInserted

---

DeviceInserted: func()

You can optionally define this method, which is called when the device is inserted. You can use this method to provide an application-level function whenever the device is inserted.

### DeviceRemoved

---

DeviceRemoved: func()

You can optionally define this method, which is called when the device is removed. You can use this method to provide an application-level function whenever the device is removed.

### ConfigView

---

ConfigView: View

A view template that allows the user to enter values for all of the items that require configuration on the device.

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

**MapErrorCode**

---

MapErrorCode: func(*ErrorCode*),

You can optionally define this method to provide text descriptions of any device-specific error codes that your driver can return. Return a text string or NIL for each error code. The default version of this method maps the Lantern errors.

**StatusView**

---

StatusView: View,

You can optionally define this view to display device status or performance statistics.

**ConfigChanged**

---

ConfigChanged: func(*ConfigInfo*),

You can optionally define this method, which is called when the current emporium changes. This happens when the user selects a new worksite.

*ConfigInfo*                      A frame containing the information entered in the ConfigView slip.

The default version of this method calls Config.

**MakeMessageText**

---

MakeMessageText: func()

You can optionally define this method, which is called when your card slip is about to open. You can use this method to display information to the user about the card.

return value                      A string.

The default version of this view displays the CISInfo product name, manufacturer name, and version information.

## The Data Link Layer Client Proto (protoLanternClient)

---

This section describes `protoLanternClient`, the NewtonScript proto that clients of your driver use to access your driver.

Listing 3-4 shows the `protoLanternDriver` slots.

---

### Listing 3-4     `protoLanternDriver` slots

```
{
Instantiate:          func(DeviceFrame),
Init:                func(Options),
Attach:              func(Options),
Detach::             func(),
Delete:              func(),
State:               func(),
MapErrorCode:        func(ErrorCode),
PostDriverEvent:     func(EventSym, EventArgs),
RegisterForEvent:    func(EventSym, Receiver, Message)
UnregisterForEvent:  func(EventSym)
}
```

## The `protoLanternClient` slots

---

This section describes the slots of `protoLanternClient`.

### Instantiate

---

Instantiate: `func(DeviceFrame)`

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

The `Instantiate` method creates a `NewtonScript` object (a client) that interfaces to a data link layer driver.

<i>DeviceFrame</i>	A frame that specifies driver information. This frame contains the following slots:
	<code>appSymbol</code> The application symbol.
	<code>DeviceName</code> The text string of CIS Product Name
return value	NIL to indicate successful instantiation, or an error code if unsuccessful.

**Init**

---

Init: `func(Options)`

The `Init` method connects your client to an interface object. This is used for passive communication with the driver, such as sending configuration events. The card must be inserted, but the driver is not enabled.

<i>Options</i>	A frame containing options for the initialization (not currently used).
return value	NIL if the connection is successful, or an error code if unsuccessful.

**Attach**

---

Attach: `func(Options)`

The `Attach` method attaches your client to a driver, which allows you to request driver services.

<i>Options</i>	A frame containing options for the initialization (not currently used).
return value	NIL if the attach (open) is successful, or an error code if unsuccessful.

**Detach**

---

Detach: `func()`

Data Link Layer Tool Reference

The `Detach` method detaches your client from the driver, which means that you can no longer request driver services.

return value            `NIL` if the detach (close) is successful, or an error code if unsuccessful.

**Delete**

---

Delete: func()

The `Delete` method deletes your client.

return value            `NIL` if the deletion is successful, or an error code if unsuccessful.

**State**

---

State: func()

The `State` method returns a symbol that specifies the current state of your client.

return value	One of the following symbols:								
	<table><tr><td>'ClientNotReady</td><td>The client proto has been created but is not yet instantiated.</td></tr><tr><td>'ClientReady</td><td>The client proto is instantiated and ready to use.</td></tr><tr><td>'APIReady</td><td>The client is available for use.</td></tr><tr><td>'APIAttached</td><td>The client is enabled to make driver requests.</td></tr></table>	'ClientNotReady	The client proto has been created but is not yet instantiated.	'ClientReady	The client proto is instantiated and ready to use.	'APIReady	The client is available for use.	'APIAttached	The client is enabled to make driver requests.
'ClientNotReady	The client proto has been created but is not yet instantiated.								
'ClientReady	The client proto is instantiated and ready to use.								
'APIReady	The client is available for use.								
'APIAttached	The client is enabled to make driver requests.								

**MapErrorCode**

---

MapErrorCode: func(*ErrorCode*)

The `MapErrorCode` method returns a string that describes an error.

*ErrorCode*            An error code.

return value            A string describing the error or `NIL` if no description is found for the error.

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

**PostDriverEvent**

---

PostDriverEvent: func(*EventSym*, *EventArgs*)

The *PostDriverEvent* method sends an event from your client to the driver.

<i>EventSym</i>	A symbol representing the event to be sent.				
<i>EventArgs</i>	An array of arguments used by the driver to process the event. The contents of this array is dependent on the event type being posted.				
return value	A frame that contains the following two slots: <table> <tr> <td>Result</td><td>NIL if the event was successfully to the driver, or an error code if unsuccessful.</td></tr> <tr> <td>Data</td><td>An array of the reply data, or NIL if no reply data was received.</td></tr> </table>	Result	NIL if the event was successfully to the driver, or an error code if unsuccessful.	Data	An array of the reply data, or NIL if no reply data was received.
Result	NIL if the event was successfully to the driver, or an error code if unsuccessful.				
Data	An array of the reply data, or NIL if no reply data was received.				

**RegisterForEvent**

---

RegisterForEvent: func(*EventSym*, *Receiver*, *Message*)

The *RegisterForEvent* method registers a callback function to be invoked when a specific event occurs.

<i>EventSym</i>	A symbol representing the event.
<i>Receiver</i>	The receiver frame to which the <i>Message</i> is sent.
<i>Message</i>	The method of the receiver that is run when the Newton Operating System receives the event.
return value	NIL if registration is successful, or the error code <code>eLANTERN_ClientProtoRFESSpecificEventDefError</code> if the event is not defined or if registration fails.

**UnregisterForEvent**

---

UnregisterForEvent: func(*EventSym*)

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

The `UnregisterForEvent` method unregisters the callback function that you previously registered for a specific event type.

<i>EventSym</i>	A symbol representing the event.
return value	NIL if the callback is successfully unregistered. If not, one of the following two errors:
	<div>eLANTERN_ClientProtoURFENotRegisteredForEvent</div> <div>Your client has no callbacks registered for the event.</div>
	<div>eLANTERN_ClientProtoURFEEventNotRegistered</div> <div>No callbacks are registered for the specified event.</div>

# Summary of Data Link Layer Reference

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## Data Link Layer Constants

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### Data Link Layer Error Codes

---

eLANTERN_DriverNotFound	= -61001
eLANTERN_DriverInstallFailed	= -61002
eLANTERN_DriverRemoveFailed	= -61003
eLANTERN_DriverUnhandledEvent	= -61004
eLANTERN_DriverPacketDropped	= -61005
eLANTERN_DriverException	= -61006
eLANTERN_DriverNewAsyncFailed	= -61007
eLANTERN_DriverCardNotInserted	= -61008
eLANTERN_DriverAlreadyReplied	= -61009
eLANTERN_DriverRequestNotRepliedTo	= -61010
eLANTERN_DriverValueRangeError	= -61200
eLANTERN_DriverHardwareFailure	= -61201
eLANTERN_DriverResourceFailure	= -61202
eLANTERN_ClientDispatchFailed	= -61300
eLANTERN_ClientAlreadyBound	= -61301
eLANTERN_ClientNotBound	= -61302
eLANTERN_ClientNoMemory	= -61303
eLANTERN_ClientNewAsyncMsgFailed	= -61304
eLANTERN_ClientInvalidTaskType	= -61305

## Data Link Layer Driver RPCs and Events

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### RPCs Sent to Your Driver

---

```
kLanternSendBuffer kLanternEventClass,'sndB',2
// (Ptr ptr, Size size) : {}
```



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```

kLanternSendCBufferList kLanternEventClass,'sndC',1
                                // (CBufferList* data) : {}

kLanternGetDeviceAddress kLanternEventClass,'gdva',2
                                // (UByte* addr, Size size) : {}

kLanternGetLinkIntegrity kLanternEventClass,'glit',0
                                // () : {ULong link}

kLanternAddMulticastAddress kLanternEventClass,'amca',1
                                // (UByte* addr) : {}

kLanternDelMulticastAddress kLanternEventClass,'dmca',1
                                // (UByte* addr) : {}

```

## Events Your Driver Sends

---

```

kLanternLinkIntegrity kLanternEventClass,'link',1
                                // (ULong link)

kLanternDriverFailure kLanternEventClass,'fail',1
                                // (NewtonErr reason)

```

## TLanternDriver P-Class

---

```

PROTOCOL TlanternDriver : public TProtocol
{
public:
    static TlanternDriver*      New(char*);
    void                        Delete();

    NewtonErr                    Init(void);

    NewtonErr                    Enable(void);
    NewtonErr                    Disable(void);
    NewtonErr                    InterruptHandler(void);

protected:
friend class TlanternTask;
    TCardSocket*                fCardSocket;
    TCardPCMCIA                 fCardPCMCIA;
    TlanternDriverAPI*          fDriverAPI;
}

```

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

## TLanternDriverAPI P-Class

---

```

PROTOCOL TlanternDriverAPI : public TProtocol
{
public:
    static TlanternDriverAPI*      New(char*);
    void                            Delete();

    NewtonErr                      Init(TlanternTask*);

    NewtonErr                      PowerOn(Boolean* powerOn, Boolean intEnable=true);
    NewtonErr                      PowerOff(ULong msDelay=kDefaultPowerDownTime,
                                           Boolean intDisable=true);

    Ptr                            NewPacketPtr(Size size);
    NewtonErr                      RxReady(Ptr buf, Size size=0);
    NewtonErr                      InterruptDone(void);

    NewtonErr                      CardHandlerSpecific(ULong selector, ...);

    NewtonErr                      AddEventHandler(kLanternEventType, DriverProcPtr);
    NewtonErr                      PostEvent(kLanternEventType, ...);
    NewtonErr                      PostLocalEvent(kLanternEventType, ...);
    NewtonErr                      PostLocalEvent(TTime*, kLanternEventType, ...);
    NewtonErr                      PostReply(NewtonErr);
    NewtonErr                      PostReply(NewtonErr, ULong nArgs, ...);
}

```

## TCardSocket Methods

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```

ULong TCardSocket::AttributeMemBaseAddr();

ULong TCardSocket::CommonMemBaseAddr();

ULong TCardSocket::IOBaseAddr();

void TCardSocket::SelectIOInterface();

void TCardSocket::SetControl(ULong control);

ULong TCardSocket::GetControl(ULong control);

```

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

## TCardPCMCIA Fields and Methods

---

```

const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardManufacturer() const;

const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardProduct() const;

const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardV1String3() const;

const char* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardV1String4() const;

TCardConfiguration* TCardPCMCIA::GetCardConfiguration(ULong configNum);

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fRegisterBaseAddress;

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fNumOfConfigEntry;

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fManufactureId;

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fManufactureIdInfo;

ULong TCardPCMCIA::fFunctionId;

UChar TConfiguration::fConfigurationNumber;

ULong TConfiguration::floAddresses[0];

```

## protoLanternDriver Slots

---

```

{
Config:                                func(ConfigInfo, enforceConfig),
AppSymbol:                             Symbol,
DeviceType:                            String,
DeviceDisplayName:                     String                // or Array of Strings
DeviceCISProductName:                 String                // or Array of Strings
DeviceClass:                           Symbol,
DeviceProtocolClassName:              String,
ConfigBeforeUse:                       Boolean,             // TRUE or NIL
AppleTalkAvailable: :                 Boolean,             // TRUE or NIL
EventDefs:                             Array,

    // optional slots:
DeviceInserted:                        func(),
DeviceRemoved:                         func(),
ConfigView:                            View,
MapErrorCode:                          func(ErrorCode),
StatusView:                            View,

```

## Data Link Layer Tool Reference

ConfigChanged:	func( <i>ConfigInfo</i> ),
MakeMessageText:	func()
}	

protoLanternClient Slots

---

{	
Instantiate:	func( <i>DeviceFrame</i> ),
Init:	func( <i>Options</i> ),
Attach:	func( <i>Options</i> ),
Detach::	func(),
Delete:	func(),
State:	func(),
MapErrorCode:	func( <i>ErrorCode</i> ),
PostDriverEvent:	func( <i>EventSym</i> , <i>EventArgs</i> ),
RegisterForEvent:	func( <i>EventSym</i> , <i>Receiver</i> , <i>Message</i> )
UnregisterForEvent:	func( <i>EventSym</i> )
}	

# Building a Data Link Layer Driver

---

This chapter tells you how to build a data link layer driver.

## Building the Sample Driver

---

This section describes the steps that you need to perform to build the sample data link layer driver that was shipped on your CD-ROM. Use similar steps to build your own driver.

To build the sample data link layer driver, you need to follow these steps:

5. Copy the contents of the NIE 2.0 DDK distribution CD-ROM to your hard drive.
6. Copy the files in the folder “NTK:Move to System” to your System folder.
7. Reboot your computer.
8. Launch MPW.
9. When prompted by MPW, select the “Sources” directory that you copied in step 1 as the NCT root directory.

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10. Select “NE2000 Sample” from the “Newton C++ Tools” menu.
11. Launch NTK and open the “NE2K” sample project.
12. Build the sample project.
13. Load the package “Newton Devices.pkg” onto your Newton.
14. Download the package you just built—NE2K.pgk—onto your Newton.
15. Run AppleTalk with the sample driver.

## Installing the NCT Additions

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To develop a data link layer driver, you need to install the Newton C++ Toolbox (NCT) and then add in several additions. This section describes the components that you must install.

### Newton C++ Toolbox (NCT)

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The Newton C++ Toolbox provides a complete MPW environment for developing C++ code for the Newton.

### DDK Addition

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The DDK NCT Addition to NCT adds a collection of MPW scripts that extend MPW to include menu items for creating a DDK project.

The DDK NCT Addition also adds a collection of header files that you need to build a communications tool.

### PC-Card Addition

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The PCMCIA DDK Addition adds the header files that you need to access a PCMCIA card, including the TCardSocket and TCardPCMCIA classes.

Building a Data Link Layer Driver

## Data Link Layer Addition

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The data link layer addition adds the protocol interfaces that you need to build your data link layer driver.

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