School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science QMUL-BUPT Joint Programme

Science and Engineering

EBU6475 Microprocessor System Design EBU5476 Microprocessors for Embedded Computing

Module Introduction



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Communication Channels

- For questions & discussions, use QMPlus message board
- For personal issues, use emails with a proper subject [EBU6475] ... (or [EBU5476 ...])

Embedded Microprocessors - Examples

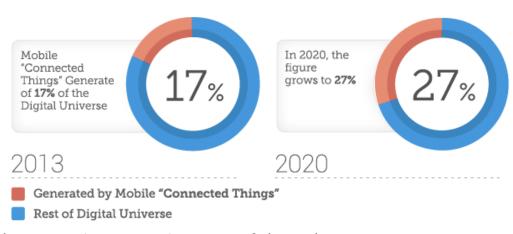
- We use general purpose computers like desktop and laptop
 PCs (personal computer) a lot every day.
 - Inside, there is a microprocessor that handles the majority of the computation.
- Actually there are many more microprocessors hidden in printers, thermostats, calculators, cars, etc. to provide intelligent control of the systems. These are called embedded microprocessors.



Embedded Systems: What they do?

How are embedded systems used in our modern world?

- Data acquisition: sensors from different environments generate a huge amount of data
- Local computation: we need proper filtering and some processing of data
- Network connectivity: the system communicates with each other and share information.
- Local actuation: affect and change the physical world with messages.



Module Theme: Efficient Embedded Systems Design

- Understand the basic working principle of a computer.
- Familiarise with the architecture and organisation of ARM Cortex-M microcontrollers (MCU)
- Learn and master C and Assembly programming techniques of Cortex-M MCUs.
- Investigate and practise important embedded system software development with GPIOs, interrupts and hardware protocols like I²C or SPI.
- Study programming techniques for Power-Efficient Computing

Assessment

Items	Weights	Remarks
Assignments x 4	6% Each 1.5%	Online (auto-marking or TA-marking)
Labs x 4	12% Each 3%	ARM C/assembly programming
Case Study Essay	7%	Study and analyse a Real- world embedded system
Exam	75%	Covers lectures, labs and other coursework.

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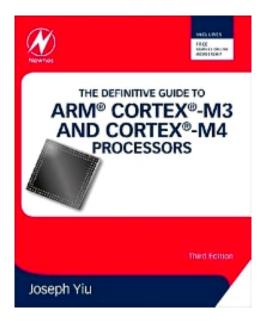
- Course materials: concept videos, lecture notes, quizzes, exercises
- Lab materials: softwares/tools, lab manuals, submissions, feedbacks
- Coursework: all attended online
- Administration: announcements, updates, grades, etc.

Please make sure that you can access the course area. Remember to check the site regularly for news/updates.

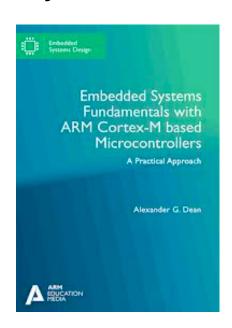
Suggested Readings

Note: There is <u>NO</u> a single textbook that covers the various materials in this module.

These are available online via QMUL library website.



The Definitive Guide to ARM® Cortex®-M3 and Cortex®-M4 Processors
3rd Edition by Joseph Yiu

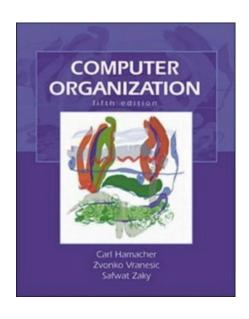


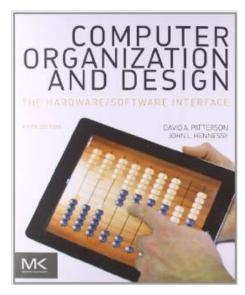
Embedded Systems Fundamentals with Arm Cortex-M Based Microcontrollers: A Practical Approach by Alexander G. Dean

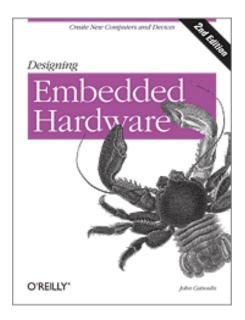
Useful References

These are also available online via QMUL library website.

Computer Organization (5th edition) By Carl Hamacher et. al. Computer Organization and Design: The Hardware/Software Interface (5th edition) By David A. Patterson, John L. Hennessy Designing Embedded Hardware, 2nd Ed By John Catsoulis







Do you have any questions?

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