Lab #4

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Internal communication

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Note: All the software and documents are stored at http://www.irccyn.ec-nantes.fr/~bechenne/trampoline

1 Overview

Internal messaging may be used as an easy to use replacement for shared variables. Messaging allows to send data from one task to one or many task. This lab will show the different ways to communicate in OSEK. Related course spans from slides 96 to 109. Go into the labs/lab4 directory. It contains an application with 2 communicating tasks. Examine the lab4.oil and the lab4.c files. The OIL file declare 2 tasks: sender and receiver and 2 messages: outMessage and inMessage. inMessage is connected to outMessage. Task sender uses outMessage and task receiver uses inMessage. Task sender is activated every second by the mean of an alarm and sends data to outMessage. When the data is received in inMessage, the notification mechanism activates task receiver. receiver reads the data from inMessage and prints the value.

2 Message broadcasting

OSEK messaging supports *one-to-many* communication. This is done by having more than one receiving messages connected to the same sending message.

Question 1 Add 2 other receiving messages connected to outMessage. The first message activates the task Emergency (add the corresponding task), the second message sets an event to task NormalOperation (add the corresponding extended tasks too). Write the C code of the tasks you added. The first one receives the message and prints the value; the second one waits for the event in an infinite loop, receives the message and prints the value. Check the application works as expected.

3 Filtering

Look at the filtering principles (slides 106 to 109).

Question 2 Add a filter to activate task receiver upon the 4th message and then every 3 values (ie 4th, 7th, 11st and so on).

Question 3 Modify task sender to send a random value ranging from 0 to 100. Using filtering, set the event to task NormalOperation only if the value is within the range [20,60]; activate task Emergency only if the value is not within the range.

4 Queued messages

Look at slide 102

Question 4 Restarting with the Messaging application, modify the inMessage to make it a queued message with a size of 4 and remove the notification. Add an alarm to activate task receiver every 4 seconds. Check the return value of ReceiveMessage and verify that no error occurred (queue under- or over-flow). If errors occur, correct the application.