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CM3-SysTick

1.SysTick Illustrate

Cortex M3 has a 24-bits system timer, which is bond to **NVIC**,(error code:15). The source clock is programmable, so you can choose wether the AHB/8 or processor clock by setting the value of bit2 in **STK_CTRL**(systick control and status register), and the msb in **STK_CTRL** is the enable bit.

```
title:Initialization MCS of Systick
sequenceDiagram
    box rgb(247,186,147) Clock Source
    participant AHB/8
    participant Processor Clock
    end
    box rgb(212,247,210) Systick Registers
    participant STK_CTRL
    participant STK_LOAD
    participant STK_VAL
    participant STK_CALB
    par AHB/8 To STK_CTRL
    AHB/8->>STK_CTRL:Source Bit 0
    and Processor To STK_CTRL
    Processor Clock->>STK_CTRL:Source Bit 1
    end
    STK_CTRL-->>STK_VAL:Value Down with the tick of clock
    STK_LOAD->>STK_VAL:S
    rect rgb(176,173,52)
    loop when value is 0
    STK_LOAD-->>STK_VAL:read value for STK_LOAD
    STK VAL-->>STK LOAD: Trigger an interrupt and loop...
    end
    end
```

2.STM32 System Tick Usage

We can see the systick register struct and config function in **core_cm3.h** header file. It's easy to see what does the function do.

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Below is the config function for systick, the parameter tick is the value for reload register, so basically you can set the period of systick interrupt by calling this function. And within the function priority of systick interrupt can be programmable, so you can change the priority of systick by changing the value event though it's an internal interrupt.

```
static __INLINE uint32_t SysTick_Config(uint32_t ticks)
    if (ticks > SysTick_LOAD_RELOAD_Msk) return (1);
                                                               /* Reload value
impossible */
    SysTick->LOAD = (ticks & SysTick_LOAD_RELOAD_Msk) - 1; /* set reload
register */
   NVIC_SetPriority (SysTick_IRQn, (1<<_NVIC_PRIO_BITS) - 1); /* set Priority</pre>
for Cortex-M0 System Interrupts */
   SysTick->VAL = 0;
                                                                 /* Load the
SysTick Counter Value */
    SysTick->CTRL = SysTick_CTRL_CLKSOURCE_Msk |
                    SysTick_CTRL_TICKINT_Msk
                    SysTick_CTRL_ENABLE_Msk;
                                                                /* Enable SysTick
IRQ and SysTick Timer */
   return (0);
                                                                 /* Function
successful */
   }
```