

01 - Introduction

CEG 4330/6330 - Microprocessor-Based Embedded Systems
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Syllabus

- Lecture
- Lab
- Software
- Pilot
- Schedule
- Grading
- Late Assignments

AI Generative Work and Copied Work

- Using generative AI, like ChatGPT, to complete your quizzes, labs, or exams will result in a 0 for the course.
- You must be capable of writing your own code for your assignments without copying and pasting from other sources
- Copying work from others, online resources, or generative AI is an academic integrity violation

How to Get Help for Assignments Steps

Once you need help on an assignment:

1. Ask the TA during lab
2. Ask me during lecture
3. Come to my office hours
4. Ask question in email to TA
 - a. TA will not review your code over email
5. Ask question in email to me
 - a. I will not review your code over email

Note: The TA is taking their own courses too! The TA might not be able to help you the day the assignment is due!

Note: If asking for help 1 or 2 days before the lab is due don't expect an immediate help!

Lab

- No lab for first week
- Lab will start on second week

What is a “Microprocessor-based Embedded System”

- Microprocessor - any of a type of miniature electronic device that contains the arithmetic, logic, and control circuitry necessary to perform the functions of a digital computer's central processing unit.
- Embedded system - a computerized system dedicated to performing a specific set of real-world functions, rather than to providing a generalized computing environment.

Embedded Systems in The Real World



The Reality of Embedded Systems

- They are everywhere
 - You most likely have one in your pocket right now
- They are use specific
 - The embedded system inside of a video drone has a very different use case and design compared to a smartwatch
- They can be very “simple”
 - Microwaves, dishwashers, dryers, etc. can all contain simple embedded systems
- Designing requires multidisciplinary knowledge
 - Operating systems, multi-language programming, circuit board design, computer organization, power systems, mechanical fitting, etc.
- Every design comes with constraints
 - Physical space, memory size, processing power, power limitations, cost, etc.

Memory Review

- Byte Addressable Memory
 - Every address contains one byte of data
- Word Addressable Memory
 - Every address contains one word of data
 - Word size is defined by the hardware
- All memory is stored in binary
 - All binary numbers can be represented as hexadecimal
 - All computers “understand” is 1’s and 0’s
- Memory Mapped I/O
 - Input and output devices can be accessed by a memory address

Memory Review

- Big Endian
 - Most significant byte/word has the lowest address
- Little Endian
 - Least significant byte/word has the lowest address
- How many bytes do we have in memory?
 - Address range: x0000 to xFFFF
 - Address range: x0000 to x0FFF
 - Address range: xA000 to xA7FF
 - Calculate for byte addressable and word addressable (2 byte words)

Programming Review

- C Programming Language
 - Source Code
 - Assembly Code
 - Machine Language
- Data type sizes
 - char - 1 byte - 8 bits
 - int - 2 to 4 bytes - 16 to 32 bits (short vs long)
 - float - 4 bytes - 32 bits
 - double - 8 bytes - 64 bits

Square Wave Review

- Amplitude
 - The maximum voltage/value of the signal (example shows 5V)
- Frequency
 - Number of cycles per second
- Period
 - Time of cycle in seconds
- Period vs Frequency
 - $\text{Frequency} = 1 / \text{Period}$
 - $\text{Period} = 1 / \text{Frequency}$
- Duty Cycle
 - $\text{Time high (sec)} / \text{Period (sec)}$
- Pulse Width Modulated (PWM)
 - The “width” or duty cycle of the wave is modulated as an input/output

