

Signoffs and Grade:

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Component	Signoff	Date	Time
Prelab – Polling the Keys			
Altera ISR			
Timer Interrupt			

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Component	Received	Possible
Prelab		10
Signoffs		90
Penalties <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st week after session lab is due : -10 2nd week after session lab is due: -25 No signoffs will be given more than 2 weeks after due date	-	
Total		100

Education Objective

The educational objective of this laboratory is to investigate the use of interrupts from I/O devices interfacing with the NIOS II processor.

Technical Objective

The technical objective of this laboratory is to design an embedded system for the Nios II processor and DE1-SoC development board that will execute three different C programs that do the following:

1. Uses polling to increment/decrement a counter when KEY1 is pushed
2. Uses interrupts to increment/decrement a counter when KEY1 is pushed
3. Maintains the functionality of #2 in addition to flashing the LEDs every 100 ms using a timer interrupt

Prelab

Complete parts 1 and 2. When the prelab is complete, you should have a system that polls the KEY data from the DE0-SoC board, then determines if the user has pressed the KEY1 button.

Prelab Part 1 - Hardware

1. Open Quartus II and create a new project
2. Open tools > Platform Designer
3. Create a system with the following components
 - a. Nios II/e processor
 - b. On-chip memory for program code and data
 - c. 8-bit input PIO for switches
 - d. 4-bit input PIO for pushbuttons
 - e. 8-bit output PIO for LEDs
 - f. 7-bit output PIO for hex0
 - g. JTAG UART
 - h. SysID
 - i. Interval timer set for “simpler periodic interrupt” and a timeout period of 100 ms
4. Double click on the 4-bit PIO to open the configuration popup. To enable a pushbutton interrupt, check synchronous capture for the edge capture register, check Generate IRQ and choose EDGE for the IRQ type.
5. Verify that the timer, the jtag_uart and the pushbutton PIO are all connected to the NIOS II irq port. Edit the priorities so that the timer has highest priority and the jtag_uart has lowest priority.
6. Save your system as **nios_system.qsys**
7. Generate the VHDL
8. Return to the Quartus project and add **nios_system.qip** to the project
9. Create the top_level VHDL file. The **<project>/nios_system/nios_sytem_inst.vhd** file contains the component declaration and the port map template to instantiate nios_system in the top_level.
10. Use Assignments > Import Assignments... to import the pin assignments in the **DE1_SoC.qsf** file
11. Compile the design
12. Program the DE1_SoC board.

Prelab Part 2 – Software

1. Write a NIOS II C program that does the following:
 - a. Displays 0 on hex0
 - b. Checks to see if key1 is pushed using POLLING (active low)
 - i. If SW0 is high, increments the value on hex0
 - ii. If SW0 is low, decrements the value on hex0
 - c. Do not increment or decrement the value on hex0 until key1 is released
 - d. Do not go higher than 9, or lower than 0
2. Open NIOS II Software Build Tools for Eclipse. Create a new App and BSP, generate the bsp, copy system.h to the app folder, move your C program to the app folder, build the project and choose Debug as NIOS II hardware. Click the run icon and verify your program works as expected.
3. **Obtain prelab signoff**

Procedure

Part 1 – Interrupts

1. Write a NIOS II C program that does the following:
 - a. Registers and enables a pushbutton interrupt for key1
 - i. Refer to the NIOSII PIO Handbook for register layout
 - b. Displays 0 on hex0
 - c. Contains a pushbutton ISR that checks the state of SW0
 - i. If SW0 is high, it increments the value on hex0
 - ii. If SW0 is low, it decrements the value on hex0
 - d. Do not go higher than 9, or lower than 0
4. Remove the prelab C program from the app folder and add the newer procedural one. Generate the bsp, copy system.h to the app folder, move your C program to the app folder, build the project and choose Debug as NIOS II hardware. Click the run icon and verify your program works as expected.
5. **Obtain signoff**

Part 2 – Timers and Interrupts

1. Write a NIOS II C program that does the following:
 - a. Maintains the functionality of the previous program, using the NIOS interrupt
 - b. Registers a timer interrupt
 - c. Contains a timer ISR that toggles the state of the 8 LEDs each time it is entered
2. Remove the second C program from the app folder and add the third one. Generate the bsp, copy system.h to the app folder, move your C program to the app folder, build the project and choose Debug as NIOS II hardware. Click the run icon and verify your program works as expected.
3. **Obtain signoff**