Microprocessor Systems Lab 4

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\rightarrow Laboratory Goals

By completing this laboratory assignment, you will learn to use:

- 1. the Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC),
- 2. the Digital-to-Analog Converter (DAC),
- 3. the Digital Signal Processor (DSP) and Floating Point Unit (FPU),
- 4. ARM Assembly instructions to increase efficiency.

\rightarrow Reading and References

- R1. Mastering STM32: Chapters 12 (ADC), 13 (DAC)
- R2. UM1905-stm32f7_HAL_and_LL_Drivers.pdf: Chapters 6 (ADC), 15 (DAC)
- R3. RM0410-stm32f7_Reference_Manual.pdf: Chapters 15 (ADC), 16 (DAC)
- R4. PM0253-stm32f7_Programming_Manual.pdf: Instruction sets: Sections 3.1 (summary), 3.5 (general processing), 3.6 (multipy and divide), 3.11 (floating-point)
- R5. AN4841-stm32_DSP_using_CMSIS.pdf: Overview of DSP functionality provided through assembly or CMSIS commands. Skim all.
- R6. AN3116-stm32_ADC_modes.pdf: Overview of ADC Section 1 Only.
- R7. stm32f769ni_Datasheet.pdf
- R8. Lab04_ADC_DAC_DSP_Template.zip: Project Template for Lab 4
- R9. OperandsAndConstraints.pdf: A list of inline assembly operand and constraint modifiers.

Analog To Digital Converter (ADC)

\rightarrow ADCs on the STM32

The STM32F769NI has 3 built-in 12-bit successive approximation ADCs with up to 19 channels (16 external: ADC_IN0-ADC_IN15, 2 internal, and 1 on V_{BAT}). These channels are shared between the three ADCs as described in Figures 71-73 of R3. Resolution is configurable with 6, 8, 10, and 12-bit modes, and data conversion can be done via single, continuous, scan (samples a pre-selected group of channels), or discontinuous sampling modes.

Sampling of multiple channels in succession is done through channel grouping. There are two kinds of channels groups: regular and injected. A regular group is a set of channels that are set and used whenever a program calls for a conversion, while an injected group is similar to an interrupt: an external trigger causes the injected group to interrupt the conversion of a regular group. If an injected group is triggered during the conversion of a regular group, the current conversion is canceled and resumed after the conversion of the injected group is completed, as shown in Figure 1.

A regular group can be composed of up to 16 conversions, with the conversion order of the selected conversions fully configurable, including having channels be repeated in the sequence. For example, it is possible to configure a regular group to convert in the following sequence: ADC_IN3, ADC_IN15, ADC_IN3, ADC_IN10, ADC_IN3. Additionally, each of these channels may have varying sampling times configured

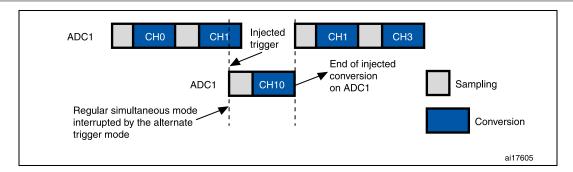


Figure 1: Injected ADC conversions interrupting regular group. Reproduced from Figure 6 of R6.

as well, though a single channel cannot have multiple different sampling times even if it appears multiple times in a sequence. In multichannel (scan), single conversion mode, the entirety of the regular group would be sampled in one continuous sequence, with the ADC waiting for instruction after the conversions are completed. In continuous mode, the regular group would continuously be sampled without pause.

An injected group can be composed of up to 4 conversions, again, with the sequence and timing of each conversion being fully configurable.

The output generated from a conversion of 1 channel is given by the Equation 1:

ConversionResult =
$$\begin{cases} 0 & V_{in} < 0, \\ \left\lfloor (2^{n_{bits}} - 1) \frac{V_{in}}{V_{ref}} \right\rfloor & 0 \le V_{in} \le V_{ref}, \\ 2^{n_{bits}} - 1 & V_{in} > V_{ref}, \end{cases}$$
(1)

where n_{bits} is the resolution of the ADC (6, 8, 10, or 12 bits), V_{in} is the voltage input to the ADC and V_{ref} is the ADC reference voltage, which for this labs purposes will be 3.3 V. In other applications, V_{ref} may be specified through a connection to the V_{REF+} pin.¹

The simplest mode to operate the ADC in is polling mode in single channel, single conversion mode, where the program requests one conversion at a time and returns that result. When using multichannel and/or continuous modes, care must be taken to ensure that the previously converted value is received from the ADC (from register $ADCx_DR$) before the next conversion completes, else the data will be overwritten and lost. For these modes, it may be more convenient to operate in a interrupt or DMA mode. For both modes, the samples may be recorded after each conversion without continuously polling, significantly freeing up processing time. Note that injected conversions are stored individually into the $ADCx_DDRy$ registers and therefore only need to be recorded after the complete injected group has completed instead of independently for each conversion.

¹To use an external V_{ref} , resistor R110 on the DISCO board would need to be removed. By default, this resistor connects the analog power supply VDDA (3.3 V) to V_{REF+} .

\rightarrow Configuring and Using the ADCs

The following steps are an example sequence of instructions to enable and use the ADCs in polling mode through the use of the HAL drivers:

- 1. Turn on the ADC peripheral clock from APB2,
- 2. Configure the GPIO pins for use as analog inputs within the HAL_ADC_MspInit()) callback function,
- 3. Configure the ADC module through the ADC_HandleTypeDef struct and HAL_ADC_Init() function,
- 4. Add channels to the regular group using ADC_ChannelConfTypeDef and HAL_ADC_ConfigChannel()²
- 5. Start a conversion by calling HAL_ADC_Start()
- 6. Wait for conversion to complete, continuously checking either HAL_ADC_PollForConversion() or the macro __HAL_ADC_GET_FLAG and the flag ADC_SR_EOC³.
- 7. Retrieve the converted value through HAL_ADC_GetValue().

♦ Task 1: Simple Voltmeter

Write a program to sample a voltage on any of the analog pins available from the DISCO board except PA4 (Arduino pin A1). The program should use a single channel/single conversion sampling mode using the full 12-bit ADC resolution, where a new sample is requested when a pushbutton⁴ is pressed. Display the hexadecimal value produced by the ADC as well as the calculated decimal voltage with at least 6 significant digits. Additionally, add a high, low, and average voltage indicator to the display.

Check the output results with a voltmeter and hand calculation to verify proper operation of the program through several cycles.

Warning: Arduino pins A0, A2-5 are 5 V tolerant, any voltage outside of the GND-5 V range can damage the pin and possibly the whole microcontroller. This is a strong concern when using the desktop signal generators in the classroom. As the Analog Discovery 2 boards are capable of producing -5 V to 5 V, it is highly recommended that before you connect the Analog Discovery output to the DISCO board, you measure it's amplitude and ensure it is within GND-5 V. Additionally, feeding an analog voltage to the pin with a large series resistor (e.g., $10 \text{ k}\Omega$) will also help in preventing damage, though is not necessary. Finally, a potentiometer may be used instead in order to produce a safe and controllable, though inaccurate, analog source.

- 1. The calculated average may be a running average or an average of the last 16 samples.
- 2. Many of the items in the struct ADC_HandleTypeDef may be ignored in the single channel, single sample mode.

²Injected channels are not supported by the HAL ADC Generic Driver, the ADC Extension Driver would be needed.

³If using the macro to wait for conversion to complete, the flag does not need to be manually cleared through __HAL_ADC_CLEAR_FLAG, as it is automatically cleared when the converted value is read.

⁴The blue pushbutton in the DISCO board may be used for this. Note that it is connected to PA0 and is wired to produce a logic low when not pressed.

- 3. Be aware the timing restrictions and behaviors of the ADC. Specifically, the ADC clock frequency, sampling time, sampling rates, total conversion and startup times. See Table 72 of R7. Note that the APB2 CLK is 108 MHz, as configured in init.c
- 4. There is no distinction between GPIO analog inputs and outputs in the HAL. Simply setting the mode to GPIO_MODE_ANALOG will suffice.
- 5. Don't forget to turn on the GPIO clocks.

Digital To Analog Converter (DAC)

\rightarrow DACs on the STM32

The STM32F769NI has 2 built-in 12-bit DACs with 1 output channel each. Resolution is configurable with 8 and 12-bit modes, and each DAC channel has its own converter, so simultaneous conversions are possible via dual mode (e.g., use both DACs at once). Unfortunately, one of the DACs (DAC_OUT2) is on a pin shared with the USB 2.0 On-the-Go host controller and is connected via PCB trace to pin 1 of the USB3320C-EZK chip. This pin is vital to achieve USB 2.0 speeds, so we can only use DAC_OUT1 connected to PA4 on Arduino A1.

Operation and configuration of the DACs is much less flexible than the ADCs. The resolution of the DAC may be configured to be either 8- or 12-bits, which is useful in matching the format of an ADC channel, though 6- and 10-bit resolution is not available.

Triggering of the DAC may be done by simply writing a value to the DAC when using trigger type DAC_TRIGGER_NONE. Additionally, timers, external lines, and software triggering may be used as well. The voltage produced by the DAC is given by Equation 2.

$$V_{\rm DAC} = V_{ref} \frac{N_{DAC}}{2^{n_{bits}}} \tag{2}$$

 V_{ref} is the reference voltage, again, for this lab's purposes is 3.3 V, N_{DAC} is the input value given to the DAC, or the digital value to be converted to analog, and n_{bits} in this case is the resolution of the DAC. Note that the denominator in Equation 2 is $2^{n_{bits}}$ and not $2^{n_{bits}} - 1$, as for the ADC (Equation 1), therefore, the DACs' voltage resolution is slightly smaller than that of the ADCs', assuming that n_{bits} is the same for each.

\rightarrow Configuring and Using the DACs

The following steps are an example sequence of instructions to enable and use the DACs write-triggering mode through the use of the HAL drivers:

- 1. Turn on the DAC peripheral clock from APB1,
- 2. Configure the GPIO pins for use as analog outputs within the HAL_DAC_MspInit()) callback function,
- 3. Configure the DAC module through the DAC_HandleTypeDef struct and HAL_ADC_Init() function. Note that very little is needed to be done for this step.
- 4. Configure the triggering (DAC_TRIGGER_NONE) and buffering⁵ of the DAC_OUTn signal using the struct DAC_ChannelConfTypeDef and HAL_DAC_ConfigChannel() function.

⁵Each DAC channel has an optional output buffer to allow driving of external loads. It will not be required here.

- 5. Start the DAC via HAL_DAC_Start().
- 6. Set the output value and associated resolution with HAL_DAC_SetValue().

♦ Task 2: DAC Output

Write a program to convert digital values to analog signals and output them to the DAC_OUT1 pin. The program should be developed in two steps:

First, write a short routine that continuously increments an unsigned integer starting from 0. Once the integer reaches the max allowed DAC output value, it should start back at 0 again. This will generate a 3.3 V sawtooth wave on the DAC output. Confirm this with an oscilloscope. Notice the output frequency might not be as high as you expected (if you expected MHz). Why?

Next, enable ADC1 and connect it to a signal generator. Set up the generator to send a sine wave. Take the conversions generated by ADC1, and output them through DAC1. The signal you see through the oscilloscope should be very close to the signal that is being sent from the signal generator.

NOTES:

1. Similar timing characteristics as considered for the ADC should be considered for the DAC. See Table 83 of R7.

Digital Signal Processing

Devices conforming to the ARM CMSIS specification include dedicated hardware for mathematical operations. This hardware collectively forms the DSP subsystem of the Cortex ARM core. A short overview of the functionality and use cases is given in R5. There are many ways to access the Cortex-M7 DSP functionality on the DISCO board, though primarily this would be done through:

- 1. Through automatic compiler optimizations,
- 2. Through CMSIS functions provided in the arm_math.h library,
- 3. Directly with ARM assembly instructions.

Each of these methods are useful in different situations. The first method, using automatic compiler optimizations, is by default enabled through the project templates provided in this course. Essentially, if an equation is provided in C to the compiler, the compiler will attempted to make this equation as efficient as possible, within reason. This primarily includes using specialized assembly functions without programmer intervention, to perform the evaluations. A prime example of this is the evaluation of floating point numbers. Normally, floating point arithmetic requires many system clock cycles per single operation to complete; however, if the microcontroller has a *Floating-Point Unit* (FPU), then the compiler will instead employ the FPU to perform the operation in significantly less time. Again, this is done without the programmer necessarily needing to specify the use of the FPU for the evaluation as long as the compiler knows that the FPU is present⁶.

⁶The presence of the FPU is indicated to the compiler through the compiler directives -mfloat-abi=hard -mfpu=fpv5-d16, which may be found under $Project\ Properties \rightarrow C/C++\ Build \rightarrow Tool\ Settings \rightarrow MCU\ GCC\ Compiler \rightarrow All\ options$:

Using the prebuilt functions provided through arm_math.h⁷ is a great way to implement very complex mathematics without having to write from scratch and be assured that the function used is efficient. For example, the function arm_bilinear_interp_f32() is provided which performs a bilinear floating point interpolation.

Through assembly commands, a finer control of evaluations may be achieved, where each instruction required to run is specified explicitly. This is useful for making extremely efficient code as the compiler will not be capable or aware of all optimizations. There are three main subsets of assembly DSP instructions: Saturation, Multiply and Accumulate (MAC), and Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD). The saturation instructions are alternatives to the normal addition and subtraction functions, where instead of overflowing the outputs of these instructions will "saturate" to either that maximum or minimum value. The SIMD commands allow multiple operations to be done over a single instruction, such as adding two sets of numbers at once. The MAC commands are useful when both a multiplication and addition are required. The MAC commands are extremely useful in filtering applications as successive samples of incoming data are multiplied by weights and then added to a running total.

$$y[k] = \sum_{n=0}^{2} w_n x[k-n]$$
 (3)

Consider the rudimentary example equation given in Equation 3. Using normal addition and multiplication assembly instructions, a simplified set of operations is given below (left)⁸, where each operation requires one instruction cycle. Similarly a simplified set of operations for when employing MAC commands is also given below (right). For each set of operations, the corresponding assembly instruction name is also given. From this example, it could be expected that using the MAC commands over independent addition and multiplication could result in a 100 % faster algorithm. This is not necessarily true for all cases as the supporting commands used to prepare for both methods will have associated overhead and therefore the actual performance gain would be less.

1.
$$n = 0$$
: MUL $tmp = w_0 x[k - 0]$

2.
$$n = 0$$
: ADD $y[k] = y[k] + tmp$

3.
$$n = 1$$
: MUL $tmp = w_1x[k-1]$

4.
$$n = 1$$
: ADD $y[k] = y[k] + tmp$

5.
$$n = 2$$
: MUL $tmp = w_2x[k-2]$

$$6.\ n=2: \mathtt{ADD}\ y[k]=y[k]+tmp$$

1.
$$n = 0$$
: MLA $y[k] = y[k] + w_0x[k-0]$

2.
$$n = 1$$
: MLA $y[k] = y[k] + w_1x[k-1]$

$$3. \ n=2: \mathtt{MLA} \ y[k] = y[k] + w_2 x[k-2]$$

While the above example is only considering integer math (MUL, ADD, and MLA are all integer evaluations), the FPU contains similar functions, which are commonly the integer functions with a "V" prepended to the instruction name; e.g., VMUL, VADD, VMLA, etc. For a comprehensive list of both types of assembly instructions, among many others, see Chapter 3 of R4. Within the documentation for the FPU assembly commands, it is shown that the FPU does not use the core registers r0-r12, but instead has its own "floating point" registers: s0-s31, which are 32-bit single precision registers, and d0-d15, which are 64-bit double precision registers.

⁷See arm-software.github.io/CMSIS_5/DSP/html/index.html for documentation on the functions available

⁸primarily, data movement from memory to registers is omitted in these examples

\rightarrow Assembly Instructions

In order to use the assembly instructions properly, it is necessary to understand the register layout of the microcontroller. The STM32F769NI has 13 32-bit "general purpose" processor core registers, labeled r0-r12. In order to do many of the provided assembly instructions, the data to be operated on needs to reside in these registers. This implies that to be able to add two variables together, for example, that the contents of those variables first needs to be moved from memory to any of the r0-r12 registers. Once moved, the ADD command may be issued, with the result being stored in another register, which then must be moved from that register to the output variable's memory location. Considering this, it could take four or more assembly commands to simply add two numbers! Fortunately, for some commands there is flexibility in where the data may reside, be it r0-r12, other core registers (e.g., SP), or in memory locations. The format for each command is also available in R4, where the command structure is explicitly specified for each variation of operand types.

Continuing with the above example, consider the following command in C:

```
var3 = var1 + var2;
```

When this command is compiled *without optimizations*, the assembly code produced may look something like the following⁹:

```
ldr r3, .L4+4
                  ; load the memory address of var1 to r3
ldr r2, [r3]
                  ; load value of var1 into r2
                  ; load the memory address of var2 to r3
ldr
    r3, .L4+8
    r3, [r3]
                  ; load value of var2 into r3
ldr
add
    r3, r3, r2
                  ; add r2 and r3 together, save in r3
                  ; load the memory address of var3 to r3
ldr r3, .L4+12
    r2, [r3]
                  ; save the value of r2 in the memory location in r3
str
```

Of course, if writing this in plain assembly, it is necessary to track the memory addresses of the variables used and move them in and out memory often, which can be cumbersome. Alternatively, one can use *inline assembly* commands in C to implement specific commands, with the supporting commands provided by the compiler. The above equation may be implemented in inline assembly through the command¹⁰:

```
asm("ADD %[out],%[in1],%[in2]"
:[out] "=r" (var3)
:[in1] "r" (var1),[in2] "r" (var2));
```

This command will produce code functionally equivalent 11 to the assembly code presented previously without having to write each command individually. Obviously, for this particular application above, using inline assembly is completely useless as it does not provide any advantages over the instructions that the $\tt C$ command produces.

The example command above is considered an "extended" inline assembly command, as opposed to "basic" inline assembly. Each type is discussed in the following two sections.

⁹In assembly code, a semicolon denotes a comment, among other characters as well.

¹⁰This command structure is discussed in the Extended Inline Assembly subsection.

¹¹In fact, when testing this code the compiler produced the exact same set of assembly commands, registers, and memory addresses.

\rightarrow Basic Inline Assembly¹²

Basic inline assembly commands are essentially pure assembly code written in ${\tt C}$. The format for a basic inline assembly command is simply:

```
asm (AssemblerInstruction)
```

where AssemblerInstruction is a string explicitly stating the desired code. For this case, there is no interaction between C variables and the assembly instruction. For example, consider the following commands:

```
asm("LDR r2, r4"); // Copy value in r4 to r2 asm("LDR r3, =0x000102FA"); // Load the value 0x000102FA into r3 asm("ADD r4, r2 , r3"); // Add r2 and r3, store into r4
```

It is clear what the first and third command are accomplishing, but the format of the second is different. In this case, a constant value is explicitly defined to be loaded into r3. This is a generalization of the command syntax:

```
LDR rt, [rn, #offset]
```

where the second term in this command is specifying a location in memory to load a value from. Instead, the inline assembly provides the value at an unknown memory location and allows the compiler to select the source memory location (memory location stored in rn plus some offset value, in bytes) to store that value. If desired, multiple assembly commands may be written with one asm statement using \r , as such:

```
asm("LDR r2, r4 \r\n LDR r3, =0x000102FA \r\n ADD r4, r2, r3");
```

\rightarrow Extended Inline Assembly

Extended inline assembly greatly enhances the flexibility of C style inline assembly code. Using extended assembly, it is possible to directly assign C variables as the inputs and outputs of assembly instructions. The general format for an extended assembly command is as follows:

```
\verb|asm[volatile]| (Assembler Template: Output Operands [: Input Operands [: Clobbers]])|
```

In this command, AssemblerTemplate is an assembly command but with the input and output registers or addresses replaced with placeholders. This is similar to how printf() uses the codes %d, %c or %x, for example, as markers for replacement of variable values. In this case, the % character also used in order to indicate a placeholder, with the type specifiers, or "format strings," following. These will be discussed more in depth later in this section. A summary of the available format strings may be found in R9.

The command portion OutputOperands provides the asm command with the C variables to use as the outputs of the assembly command, with InputOperands providing the input C variables. Finally, the optional Clobbers section specifies the registers that are directly modified in the assembly command; necessary in order for the compiler to keep track of which register is in use. Note that the compiler does not parse any non-escaped (via %) text within the AssemblerTemplate leading to the inclusion of the Clobbers

¹²This and the following section were originally adapted from https://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc-5.4.0/gcc/Using-Assembly-Language-with-C.html#Using-Assembly-Language-with-C, which has subsequently been substantially edited.

field. Also note that both the volatile keyword and the *InputOperands* and *Clobbers* fields are optional, as denoted by the surrounding brackets.

A simple implementation of a this is command to store a register to a variable:

```
uint32_t var;
asm("STR r2,%0" : "=m" (var));
```

In this example, the only format string present in the Assembler Template is %0. This specifies that the first operand listed is to be used in it's place. Similarly, if %1 and %2 were present in the Assembler Template, the second and third operand would be matched to those. In this case, the first operand listed is the output operand "=m" (var). In this, the "=m" specifies that our output variable is stored in a valid memory address (as opposed to, say, another register) via the letter m, with the = sign denoting that this variable is to be written to. The variable in question is listed within the parenthesis: (var). The format string may have also alternatively taken the form of %[tag], where the string contained within the brackets, in this case tag, is an arbitrary name shared between the format string and the desired insertion variable. For example:

```
asm("STR r2, %[mps]" : [mps] "=m" (var));
```

Note that here, this format code text [mps] also appears within the operand specification, explicitly specifying the location of the named operand within the assembler template. The label mps does not need to be specified anywhere external to this command as it is only a temporary label and not, for example, a variable.

In the above example, since the assembly commands second operand is a local in memory, it is specified through the "m" *constraint* that the variable should be treated as a location in memory. For other commands, such as ADD, the variable may also be treated as a register via the constraint "r":

```
asm("ADD r0,%[tmp],r1" : : [tmp] "r" (var));
```

Here, var is being used as an input operand: note the two colons and the blank between them, specifying an empty *OutputOperands* field. Since var is being read from and not being written to, the = sign present in the previous command's constraint is omitted. Likewise, if a command requires that a variable be read from and written to in the same operation, then the modifier + would be used; e.g., "+r". For using the FPU, the letter r would be replaced with either t for the s# registers or w for the d# registers¹³.

This type of operation as shown above, when compiled, will not generate one assembly command but instead will generate multiple, as the assembly commands required to move the var variable's value into one of the core register's with be implemented automatically.

Below is an example of a more complex instruction.

Here, a floating point multiply and subtract command (similar to multiply and accumulate) is written in order to implement the C style equation of c-=a*b. For this instruction, the "output" variable c is a double type and must be read from and written to, hence the "+w" constraint. The input variables a

 $^{^{13}\}mathrm{See}\ \mathrm{R9}$ for a complete list of the operand constraints

and b are also of double type but are only read from, therefore the "w" constraint. Note that w is used here in all three cases as the VMLS instruction requires all values to exist in the d# registers and not in a memory location. Also note the suffix to the VMLS command: .F64, which denotes that the operation is a 64-bit operation. Alternatively, the suffix .F32 may be used to specify single precision operations, of course, implying the use of the s# registers as well. Finally, the format modifier P inside the format strings %P[dest], etc., explicitly specifies that the variable and register used here is double precision. Addition of this or similar modifiers for most cases is not necessary, although it is needed in this case as the compiler will throw a "selected FPU does not support instruction..." error without it.

Finally, since the compiler is generally not aware of the register's being used and reused in certain contexts, it is sometimes necessary to ensure that a specific register is left alone and not cleared/overwritten within the instruction set. In order to do this, adding the volatile keyword after the asm as well as possibly within the definition of the used variables; essentially telling the compiler to be more careful with the optimization of the command and as well as any other command associated with the variable. Additionally, adding a & to the variable's constraint may help as well:

If a command is not working properly even though it appears entirely correct, the above may be the first step in finding a solution to the issue. Additionally, it may be useful in viewing the assembly file produced from after compilation to see what it incorrect.

♦ Task 3: Simple Assembly Math

Write a short program that does four separate things and printing the result of each (via printf()). Note that there are two sets of tasks, one for each group member.

Task Set 1:

- 1. In basic inline assembly only: load (into registers) and add two integer numbers (hard-coded). Use extended assembly to pass the resultant value to a C variable and print it.
- 2. In extended assembly: multiply 2 int32_t variables (signed long).
- 3. In extended assembly: evaluate the equation $\frac{2x}{3} + 5$ through 32-bit integer math: addition (ADD), multiplication (MUL), and division (DIV). See Note #1.
- 4. In extended assembly: evaluate the previous equation using integer MAC commands where applicable.

Task Set 2:

- 1. In basic inline assembly only: load (into registers) and add two integer numbers (hard-coded). Use extended assembly to pass the resultant value to a C variable and print it.
- 2. In extended assembly: multiply 2 single precision floats.
- 3. In extended assembly: evaluate the equation $\frac{2x}{3} + 5$ through floating point addition (VADD), multiplication (VMUL), and division (VDIV).
- 4. In extended assembly: evaluate the previous equation using floating point MAC commands where applicable.

- 1. Without special care, the integer implemented function will generally be inaccurate for small values. Why? This does not need to be fixed for this task.
- 2. The project template has been changed from previous templates to allow for the saving of the generated assembly code and program listings. You can find the generated assembly for a source file under <code>Debug/src/[filename].asm</code>. The complete program listing can be found under <code>Debug/[projectname].lst</code>.
- 3. If it is unclear how to perform an operation in assembly, it may be useful to write the command in C and check the generated assembly file.
- 4. Make sure to use the correct constraints for each operation, e.g.: "r" read from C variable to r# register, "=r" write to C variable from register, or "+r" read and write C variable to and write register.
- 5. If the written assembly is correct, take a look at the generated assembly or disassembly (within Debug: Window—Show View—Disassembly). The compiler might be changing it if it's not specified as volatile, and possibly even if it is!

♦ Task 4: IIR Filter Implementation

Combine codes from Task 2 and Task 3 to produce a IIR (infinite impulse filter), acting upon a received signal from the ADC and outputting the filtered signal using the DAC. The filter to be implemented will have a response based on pole-zero diagram in Figure 2 and the transfer function:

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{\frac{10}{32} \left(z + \frac{5}{13} + j\frac{12}{13}\right) \left(z + \frac{5}{13} - j\frac{12}{13}\right)}{z \left(z - \frac{19}{20} \cdot \frac{10}{32}\right)} \tag{4}$$

which leads to the difference equation:

$$y(k) = \frac{10}{32} \left(x(k) + \frac{10}{13} x(k-1) + x(k-2) + \frac{19}{20} y(k-1) \right)$$
 (5)

where x(k) is the input from the ADC at sample time k, x(k-1) is the previous sample, etc. Similarly, y(k) is the output to the DAC. In order to implement this filter, you will need to store the current and previous two ADC readings as well as the previous output. Note that the fractions in the equation above were left fractions in order to ease the implementation of the filter using integer math. These may be simplified into decimals, resulting in the equation:

$$y(k) = 0.312500x(k) + 0.240385x(k-1) + 0.312500x(k-2) + 0.296875y(k-1)$$

$$(6)$$

Implement this equation using in two ways: using a C style floating point equation and also using either floating point or integer MAC assembly instructions.

ADC conversion should be set up to put the results in the low 12-bits of the output register. The DAC values should be similarly formatted. Additionally, the ADC should be set to run continuously such that the maximum speed of the filter may be achieved.

Each of the implemented filters should be characterized through the use of a signal generator connected to the ADC, generating a sine wave, and an oscilloscope monitoring both the input and output signals. Explain your results. The output of the waveforms near DC will have high gains and may cause data

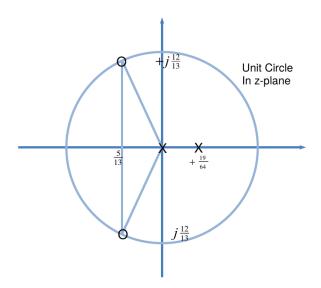


Figure 2: Pole-Zero diagram for desired IIR filter.

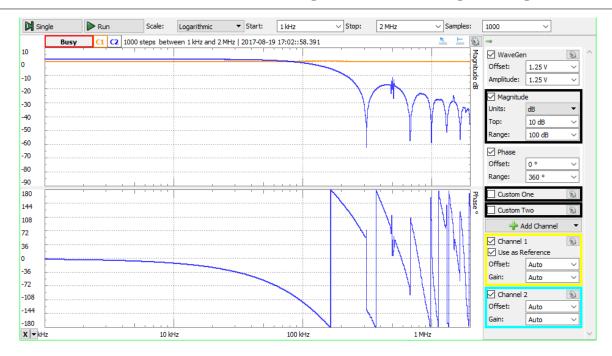


Figure 3: Measured response of implemented IIR filter. Frequency range is dependent on program speed.

overflows. Do not worry about fixing this other than by reducing the input amplitude; although explanation of the result is expected. Ultimately, the filter response should look something like in Figure 3; where the filter notch is shown at 300 kHz. The first zero in the filter's response is located at 112.61986° on the unit circle, corresponding to a notch in the filter at $\frac{112.61986^{\circ}}{180^{\circ}} \cdot \frac{f_s}{2}$, implying that the sampling frequency is approximately 1 MHz. It is not expected that groups reproduce the same sampling frequency and associated notch frequency as shown in Figure 3; therefore, a group's result should still have the same general shape but frequency shifted. The resulting sample rate and notch frequencies should be measured, verified, and reported, along with the methods to do so.

- 1. The floating point equation implementation is simple: simply evaluate the equation as-is.
- 2. If using integer MAC, be careful of both overflow and truncation of the evaluations. Scaling the constants and inputs may be required such that larger numbers are used to represent smaller numbers to prevent significant truncation. For example, add a scaling factor to the inputs and outputs $x(k) \to x(k) * 2^n$. Bit shifting in the assembly equations may be useful here (LSL, LSR).
- 3. As long as there is no floating point math being done in C (which there shouldn't be), it can be assumed that the contents of s# or d# will not change unless specifically commanded through the assembly commands. This may be used to decrease the filters instructional overhead.
- 4. The sampling frequency may be determined by toggling a GPIO pin each filter iteration. The GPIO should then have frequency half that of the filter sampling frequency; half because the output will be low for one cycle and high for one cycle.
- 5. Figure 3 was produced with an Analog Discovery in *Network Analyzer* mode. The Analog ADALM2000 has similar functionality. If using a signal generator and oscilloscope, the notch frequency must be

found by manually changing the signal generator frequency to locate the point at which the filter output is very small/zero.

- 6. DO NOT use oscilloscope probes on anything other than oscilloscopes. They will not work as the connection between the signal generator and the ADC.
- 7. If the implemented filter is not working as expected, several intermediate steps may be taken:
 - (a) Set all gains in the equation to 0 except the coefficient of x(k), which should be set to 1. This should produce unity gain through your filter. If the output does not match the input, then something is possibly wrong with the gains associated with the inputs and outputs from/to the ADC/DAC.
 - (b) Additionally set the gain of x(k-1) to 1. This should result in a 1st order, low pass filter, with a gain of 2 and an output of 2 when the input frequency is half the sampling frequency. The gains may need to be set to 0.5 to avoid low-frequency signal overflow.
 - (c) The DC gain of the filter (with all coefficients) should be slightly higher than 1.
- 8. A completely successful implementation of the assembly filter *is not* required for checkoff, though a non-working one will result in point deduction. This will depend on how well the filter was implemented and what is missing.
- 9. Take extreme care when doing inline assembly within a function. Function arguments are passed using the core registers, usually starting at r4. If your assembly instructions use one of the argument registers, they will be overwritten.
- 10. If the written assembly is correct, take a look at the generated assembly or disassembly (within Debug: Window→Show View→Disassembly). The compiler might be changing it if it's not specified as volatile, and possibly even if it is!

♦ Task 5: [Depth] Frequency Mixer

Implement the frequency mixer DSP block diagram as shown in Figure 4. Both inputs, sine wave signals with f_1 and f_2 , must be measured using two ADC peripherals being sampled simultaneously (e.g., ADC1 and ADC2). The triggering for the ADCs must be directly provided by a timer and not through code. The rate should be relatively fast (e.g., >100 kHz). Once the ADC samples are acquired, they should be "Mixed," which is just multiplying them together. Filter the result using the band-pass IIR filter given in equations 7 and 8. This mixing and filtering should take place within an interrupt callback triggered by the completion of the ADC conversion. Finally, output the result of the filter through the DAC as in the previous task.

$$H(z) = \frac{Y(z)}{X(z)} = \frac{0.001 - 0.002z^{-2} + .001z^{-4}}{1 - 3.166z^{-1} + 4.418z^{-2} - 3.028z^{-3} + 0.915z^{-4}}$$
(7)

$$y(k) = 0.001x(k) - 0.002x(k-2) + .001x(k-4) + 3.166y(k-1) - 4.418y(k-2) + 3.028y(k-3) - 0.915y(k-4)$$
(8)

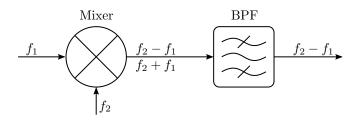


Figure 4: Mixer block diagram

- 1. Since the filter is done in an interrupt, polling of both the ADCs is not acceptable.
- 2. Multi-ADC mode is not required; though it would ensure that both ADCs are done converting per each interrupt. Alternatively, flags may be set/cleared in the ADC interrupts to track ADC completion. For example, if ADC2 completes first, a flag is set; then, ADC1's interrupt is triggered, this flag is read and the filter is executed.
- 3. When "mixing" two sin waves with frequencies f_1 and f_2 , the result will be the summation of two sin waves with frequencies $f_2 f_1$ and $f_2 + f_1$.
- 4. Testing of this mixer will require two separate frequency generators. The target is to produce two signals that multiply such that $f_2 f_1$ lies within the filter's pass frequency. Given that the acquisition rate and filter are known, this value should be straight forward to determine.
- 5. When testing and demonstrating the filter, avoid aliasing due to the sample rate.
- 6. The filter is a 4th order Butterworth whose center is $f_s/10$ with a bandwidth of $f_s/100$.
- 7. The DC biases of the input signals should be removed prior to multiplication in order to prevent excessively large values and additional frequency components. Add the DC biases back in for DAC transmit. The DC Biases may be assumed to be constant and may be hardcoded into the program. This may require that the DC biases be measured each setup to get an accurate value, however.