

► **Question 1.** If we changed the keyboard interface so that the R bit occupies position 5 in the control/status register, which instruction would you change and how?

► **Question 2.** Modify *wait.asm* by adding an instruction that reads the data register and leaves the read value in *\$t2*, as shown in Figure 6. Note that the address of this register is expressed in Figure 4 as "DB+4".

► Try to run the modified program, several times without closing the simulator. You will notice that the program always waits for a key to be typed because the ready bit R is 0 at the end of the execution

► Write a program *ascii.asm* that repeatedly reads the keys that are typed on the keyboard and then writes their corresponding ASCII codes on the console. The program will finish when a chosen key is typed (return, point, etc.) The processing will be:

1. Read the data register from the keyboard interface.
2. Write on the console the value read by using the `print_int` system call.

The program pseudocode is:

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Repeat
    wait until keyboard read (bit R = 1)
Processing:
    read the keyboard data register
    write on the console the value read
until read_character == chosen_character
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► **Question 3.** Copy here the lines of code in charge of synchronization and reading the data register.

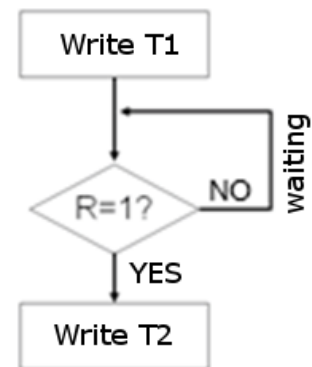


Figure 1. Diagram of modified *wait.asm*

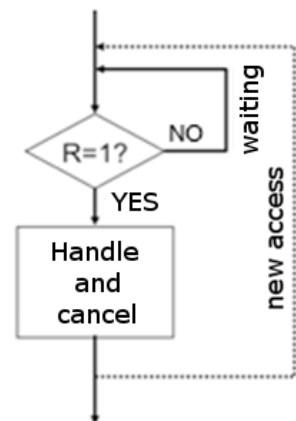


Figure 2. Common diagram for peripheral management by polling

► **Question 4.** Write here the code for getchar and putchar

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► **Question 5.** Can you explain why the program has stopped at that point?

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Service	System call code	Arguments	Result
print_int	1	\$a0 = integer	
print_float	2	\$f12 = float	
print_double	3	\$f12 = double	
print_string	4	\$a0 = string	
read_int	5		integer (in \$v0)
read_float	6		float (in \$f0)
read_double	7		double (in \$f0)
read_string	8	\$a0 = buffer, \$a1 = length	
sbrk	9	\$a0 = amount	address (in \$v0)
exit	10		
print_char	11	\$a0 = char	
read_char	12		char (in \$a0)
open	13	\$a0 = filename (string), \$a1 = flags, \$a2 = mode	file descriptor (in \$a0)
read	14	\$a0 = file descriptor, \$a1 = buffer, \$a2 = length	num chars read (in \$a0)
write	15	\$a0 = file descriptor, \$a1 = buffer, \$a2 = length	num chars written (in \$a0)
close	16	\$a0 = file descriptor	
exit2	17	\$a0 = result	