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Lab 03: Interrupt and Timer

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- **Step 1:** Learning the interrupt
- **Step 2:** Learning the calculation of delay
- **Step 3:** Doing your assignment (upload your code and video on blackboard before next lab)

Step 1: Learning the interrupt



What is an Interrupt?

- Event that pauses the normal program execution and run an interrupt service routine (ISR).
- Types: hardware interrupts (e.g., switch press) and software interrupts (e.g., timer)

Why use Interrupts?

- After lab2, although you can change the mode of LED after each RGB color ends, the response is not efficient enough.
- Interrupt can help you change the mode immediately after pressing the button.

Step 1: Learning the interrupt



1. Include 3 extra header files in your “main.c” file.

```
#include "inc/tm4c123gh6pm.h"  
#include "driverlib/interrupt.h"  
#include "driverlib/timer.h"
```

- **tm4c123gh6pm.h**: Definitions for the interrupt and register assignments on the Tiva C Series device on the LaunchPad board
- **interrupt.h**: Defines macros for NVIC Controller(Interrupt) API of *driverLib*. This includes API functions such as *IntEnable* and *IntPrioritySet*.
- **timer.h**: Defines macros for Timer API of *driverLib*. This includes API functions such as *TimerConfigure* and *TimerLoadSet*.

Step 1: Learning the interrupt



For Timer Interrupt

2. Timer Configuration

One shot or *Periodic*



```
TimerConfigure(TIMER1_BASE, TIMER_CFG_ONE_SHOT);
```

3. Set Timer Delay

```
TimerLoadSet(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_A, SysCtlClockGet() / 2);
```

4. Define Timer Interrupt Handler

```
void Timer0IntHandler(void)
{
    TimerIntClear(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);
    timer0finish = 1;
}
```



Always remember to clear the interrupt at the beginning of the handler.

Step 1: Learning the interrupt



5. Register Timer Handler

```
TimerIntRegister(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_A, Timer0IntHandler);
```

6. Enable Interrupt and Timer

```
TimerIntEnable(TIMER0_BASE, TIMER_TIMA_TIMEOUT);  
IntEnable(INT_TIMER0A);
```

For GPIO Interrupt

2. Register GPIO Handler

```
GPIOIntRegister(GPIO_PORTF_BASE, GPIOPortF_Handler);
```

3. Set GPIO Interrupt Type

```
GPIOIntTypeSet(GPIO_PORTF_BASE, GPIO_PIN_4, GPIO_FALLING_EDGE);
```



Falling Edge or Rising Edge or Both

Step 1: Learning the interrupt



4. Enable GPIO Interrupt

```
GPIOIntEnable(GPIO_PORTF_BASE, GPIO_PIN_4);
```

Step 2: Learning the delay



You should be aware of the time used in each setup

1. Define the clock using this function

```
SysCtlClockSet(SYSCTL_SYSDIV_5 | SYSCTL_USE_PLL | SYSCTL_XTAL_16MHZ | SYSCTL_OSC_MAIN);
```

The default frequency is 400M *Hz*, and if we set “SYSCTL_SYSDIV_5”, the frequency is divided by 5, which is 80M *Hz* instead.

2. In Lab2, we set up the delay using

```
SysCtlDelay(2000000);
```

Since the frequency 80M *Hz*, and we set the delay to be 2M, the delay should be $2 / 80 * 3 = 0.075\text{s}$. Here we times 3 because the each iteration takes 3 clock cycles by default.

3. In Lab3, we set up the delay using

```
ui32Period = SysCtlClockGet()/1000;  
TimerLoadSet(TIMER1_BASE, TIMER_A, RGB_DELAY * ui32Period);
```

The unit of the clock is *Hz*, there ***ui32Period*** defines the frequency per millisecond. Then, the timer load is set to be ***RGB_DELAY * ui32Period***, so that the delay of the timer is exactly ***RGB_DELAY*** ms.

Step 3: Assignments



Before doing the assignments, please carefully reading the provided code.

Assignment 1: Mimic the ***RGB_Timer()*** in the provided code, finish ***Flash_Timer()***.

Assignment 2: Replace ***Read_Switches_Timer()*** with the GPIO interrupt.

Your final demo should look like this:



Thanks for listening!

Q & A