# University of Texas at El Paso Electrical and Computer Engineering Department

EE 4178/5190 – Laboratory for Microprocessors II

# LAB 3

## Introduction to FreeRTOS

## Objective:

- The main objective for this lab is to understand how freeRTOS work with ESPRESSIF. The lab consists in creating two tasks.
  - o Task 1 Toggle an LED every 500 ms
  - o Task 2 Print "Hello World" every second

#### **Bonus:**

- For EE4178 is just a bonus and for EE5190 is mandatory
  - o Create another task which toggles another LED every 2 seconds and it should display in the terminal its current state; for example, LED is ON.
- Bonus for EE5190
  - Create a fourth task that runs the previous lab lightshow sequences and make it run every 5 seconds.

#### Pre-Lab:

- What type of programming is RTOS based of?
- What is the definition of the acronym RTOS?
- What is the function to create a task?
- When creating a task what parameter should be considered?

### C helpful functions

For this lab, the most important function call is xTaskCreate which is a function in task.h file. This function has a few parameters that must be pass on when calling the function. For instance we want to create a simple that call example\_task which has a stack of 2048 and it will have no arguments or handle; it will be the

following: xTaskCreate(&example\_task,"example task", 2048, NULL, NULL);\

Data type	Variable name	Description
TaskFunction_t	pvTaskCode	task function name
const char *	pcName	name to associate the task
configSTACK_DEPTH_TYPE	usStackDepth	stack size
void *	pvParameters	arguments
TaskHandle_t *	pxCreatedTask	handle to store task

#### BaseType\_t xTaskCreate(

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TaskFunction_t pvTaskCode,
const char * const pcName,
configSTACK_DEPTH_TYPE usStackDepth,
void *pvParameters,
UBaseType_t uxPriority,
TaskHandle_t *pxCreatedTask
);
```