Embedded Systems Hands-On 1: Design and Implementation of Hardware/Software Systems Task 3: Cortex-M0 Bare-metal Programming





Questions so far



- Any problems with group work?
- Any questions regarding Task 2?
- Two weeks appropriate for Task 2?
- Consultation Hour: Thursdays 11am

Task 3: Cortex-M0 Bare-metal Programming



- ▶ Introduction to basic microcontroller programming
- Read and understand datasheets.
- Controlling GPIO and timers via CMSIS
- Event-based control with polling and interrupts
- ⇒ Blinking LED = "Hello World" of embedded systems













Subtasks



- ▶ Blinky: Toggle LED with Timer
- ► Better Blinky: Use Interrupts

Development Environment



- Provided via GitLab
- Includes CMSIS library (used in this task)
- Includes processor startup code

Startup-Code



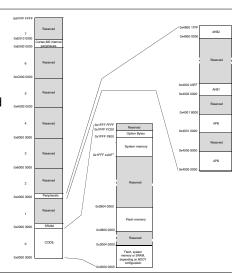
- Initializes the microcontroller
- Prepares basic settings (e.g., clock frequency)
- Typically provided by MCU vendor

```
/* Reset vector :
   Set up environment to
   call C main() */
.thumb func
Reset Handler:
/* Copy initialized data
   from flash to RAM */
copy data:
ldr r1, DATA_BEG
ldr r2, TEXT END
ldr r3, DATA END
. . .
```

Memory Mapped IO



- All peripherals are accessed via special memory addresses
- Write/Read special registers (e.g., to toggle GPIO pin)
- Otherwise, special instructions would be required



Cortex-M0 Reference Manual: RM0360



IWDG register map

		Indep	ependent watchdog (IWDG)		
•	779 pages documentation of	19.1	Introduc	ction	
	peripherals	19.2	IWDG n	nain features	
•	Uniformly structured:	19.3	IWDG f	unctional description	
	► Feature, e.g.,		19.3.1	IWDG block diagram	
	► GPIO,		19.3.2	Window option	
	Reset and clock control,		19.3.3	Hardware watchdog	
	Interrupts and events		19.3.4	Behavior in Stop and Standby modes	
	Subfeature (if available), e.g.,		19.3.5	Register access protection	
	Reset,		19.3.6	Debug mode	
	 Clocks Nested vectored interrupt controller Introduction: what is it used for Block diagrams and implementation details Register mapping and description for memory mapped IO 	19.4	IWDG registers		
			19.4.1	Key register (IWDG_KR)	
			19.4.2	Prescaler register (IWDG_PR)	
			19.4.3	Reload register (IWDG_RLR)	
			19.4.4	Status register (IWDG_SR)	
			19.4.5	Window register (IWDG_WINR)	

19.4.6

Programming Language



- Use C or C++
- Dynamic memory allocation may cause problems in memory constrained embedded devices
- ⇒ Should be avoided
- Avoid polymorphism in C++
- Templates are well supported
- Use abstraction to organize your code, but keep in mind how things are realized

```
#include <ch.hpp>
int yes[1024];
int main(void) {
  halInit();
  System::init();
  int *nope = new[1024];
  awesomeFun(&yes);
  return 0;
}
```

Alternative Programming Languages



- More powerful microcontrollers also support scripting languages
- Suitable for simple control applications and prototyping
- Not targeted in this lab
- You may have a look at
 - https://github.com/micropython
 - http://www.eluaproject.net





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