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Embedded C

Lab (3)

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1-Introduction:

Write a baremetal software to toggle led which connected to GPIO portF pin3 ARM Cortex M4 based TM4C123GH6PM microcontroller. I will build everything from scratch including startup ,linker script and source codes ,and compile them using arm cross tool chain.

2-Source codes:

2.1:main.c

To make a GPIO toggling in ARM Cortex4, you need to work with two peripherals:

1-SYSTCL: To Enable the GPIO port.

2- GPIOx (general purpose input/output):

First set(PF3)the direction as output, then enable the GPIO pin, finally toggle bit in GPIO_PORTF_DATA_R.

```
#define SYSTCL_RCGC2_R (*((volatile unsigned int*)0x400FE108))
#define GPIO_PORTF_DIR_R (*((volatile unsigned int*)0x40025400))
#define GPIO_PORTF_DEN_R (*((volatile unsigned int*)0x4002551C))
#define GPIO_PORTF_DATA_R (*((volatile unsigned int*)0x400253FC))

int main() {
    volatile unsigned long delay_count;
    SYSTCL_RCGC2_R=0x20;
    // to enable port with clock should make delay to makesure GPIOF is up and running
    for(delay_count=0;delay_count<200;delay_count++);
    GPIO_PORTF_DIR_R |=1<<3;
    GPIO_PORTF_DEN_R |=1<<3;
    while (1) {
        GPIO_PORTF_DATA_R |=1<<3;
        for(delay_count =0;delay_count<20000;delay_count++);
        GPIO_PORTF_DATA_R &=~(1<<3);
        for(delay_count =0;delay_count<20000;delay_count++);
    }
    return 0;
}
```

3-Startup:

startup written in c code : as (CortexM4) can initialize the SP with the first 4 bytes, so we can write startup by C code.

In this code we make :

1-Define Interrupt vectors Section

2-copy .data section from ROM to RAM.

3-initialize .bss section.

4-Create a reset section and Call main function.

```
14 static unsigned long Stack_top[256];
15 void(*const g_p_fn_vectors[])() __attribute__((section(".vectors")))={
16     (void(*)())((unsigned long)Stack_top+sizeof(Stack_top)),
17     &Reset_Handler,
18     &NMI_Handler,
19     &HardFault_Handler,
20
21 };
22 void Reset_Handler(){
23     //copy .data SECTIONS
24     int i ;
25     unsigned int Data_Size= (unsigned char*)&_E_Data - (unsigned char*)&_S_Data;
26     unsigned char * p_src = (unsigned char*)&_E_text;
27     unsigned char * p_dest = (unsigned char*)&_S_Data;
28     for(i=0;i<Data_Size;i++){
29         *((unsigned char *)p_dest++) = *((unsigned char *)p_src++);
30     }
31
32     //initialize .bss section
33     unsigned int bss_Size= (unsigned char*)&_E_bss - (unsigned char*)&_S_bss;
34     p_dest = (unsigned char*)&_S_bss;
35     for(i=0;i<bss_Size;i++){
36         *((unsigned char *)p_dest++) = (unsigned char)0;
37     }
38     main();
39 }
40 void Default_Handler(){
41     Reset_Handler();
42 }
```

4-Linker script:

In this linker script, we define memory boundaries ,in this app we have just one memory . the last section in linker used to divide my code in all file and organize it to burn it on the micro controller.

```
MEMORY
{
    flash (rx) : ORIGIN = 0x00000000, LENGTH = 512M
    sram (rwx) : ORIGIN = 0x20000000, LENGTH = 512M
}

SECTIONS
{
    .text : {
        *(.vectors*)
        *(.text*)
        *(.rodata)
        _E_text = . ;
    }> flash

    .data : {
        _S_Data = . ;
        *(.data)
        _E_Data = . ;
    }> sram AT> flash

    .bss : {
        _S_bss = . ;
        *(.bss)
        . = ALIGN(4) ;
        _E_bss = . ;
    }> sram
}
```

5-Symbols:

5.1:symbol of main.o:

- 1- main: which in text section.

```
$ arm-none-eabi-nm.exe main.o
00000000 T main
```

5.3:symbol of startup.o:

- 1- _E_bss: unresolved symbol and will be resolved during Linking process.
- 2- _E_Data: unresolved symbol and will be resolved during Linking process.
- 3- _E_text: unresolved symbol and will be resolved during Linking process.
- 4- _S_bss: unresolved symbol and will be resolved during Linking process.
- 5- _S_Data: unresolved symbol and will be resolved during Linking process.
- 6- Default_handler: which in text section.
- 7- g_p_fn_habdler: which in read only data section.
- 8-H_Fault_handler & NMI_handler: are weak symbol.
- 9- main: unresolved symbol and will be resolved during Linking process.
- 10- Reset_handler: which in text section.
- 11-stack_top: which in bss section.

```
$ arm-none-eabi-nm.exe startup.o
U _E_bss
U _E_Data
U _E_text
U _S_bss
U _S_Data
000000b0 T Default_Handler
00000000 R g_p_fn_vectors
000000b0 W H_fault_Handler
U main
000000b0 W NMI_Handler
00000000 T Reset_Handler
00000000 b Stack_top
```

5.4:elf image sympols:

- 1- _E_bss: which in bss section.
- 2- _E_Data: which in text section.
- 3- _E_text: which in text section.
- 4- _S_bss: which in bss section.
- 5- _S_Data: which in text section.

```
$ arm-none-eabi-nm.exe Unit3_lab4_cortexM4.elf
20000400 B _E_bss
20000000 T _E_Data
0000018c T _E_text
20000000 B _S_bss
20000000 T _S_Data
00000180 T Default_Handler
00000000 T g_p_fn_vectors
00000180 W H_fault_Handler
00000010 T main
00000180 W NMI_Handler
000000d0 T Reset_Handler
20000000 b Stack_top
```

- 6- Default_handler: which in text section.
- 7- g_p_fn_habdler: which in read only text section.
- 8-H_Fault_handler & NMI_handler: are weak symbol.
- 9- main: which in text section.
- 10- Reset_handler: which in text section.
- 11-stack_top: which in bss section.

6-Sections Headers:

6.1: main.o sections headers

Sections:					
Idx	Name	Size	VMA	LMA	File off Algn
0	.text	000000c0	00000000	00000000	00000034 2**2
	CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE				
1	.data	00000000	00000000	00000000	000000f4 2**0
	CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA				
2	.bss	00000000	00000000	00000000	000000f4 2**0
	ALLOC				
3	.debug_info	00000065	00000000	00000000	000000f4 2**0
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING				
4	.debug_abbrev	0000005a	00000000	00000000	00000159 2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING				
5	.debug_loc	00000038	00000000	00000000	000001b3 2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING				
6	.debug_aranges	00000020	00000000	00000000	000001eb 2**0
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING				
7	.debug_line	00000061	00000000	00000000	0000020b 2**0
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING				
8	.debug_str	00000090	00000000	00000000	0000026c 2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING				
9	.comment	00000012	00000000	00000000	000002fc 2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY				
10	.ARM.attributes	00000033	00000000	00000000	0000030e 2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY				
11	.debug_frame	0000002c	00000000	00000000	00000344 2**2
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING				

- 1-text section: size of instruction code =0xc0.
- 2-data section: size of initialized global array = 0x0 .
- 3-bss section: size of uninitialized global =0x0.
- 4-debug sections and other sections.

6.2: startup.o sections headers

Idx	Name	Size	VMA	LMA	File off	Algn
0	.text	000000bc	00000000	00000000	00000034	2**2
	CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, RELOC, READONLY, CODE					
1	.data	00000000	00000000	00000000	000000f0	2**0
	CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA					
2	.bss	00000400	00000000	00000000	000000f0	2**2
	ALLOC					
3	.vectors	00000010	00000000	00000000	000000f0	2**2
	CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, RELOC, READONLY, DATA					
4	.debug_info	00000182	00000000	00000000	00000100	2**0
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING					
5	.debug_abbrev	000000c6	00000000	00000000	00000282	2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING					
6	.debug_loc	00000064	00000000	00000000	00000348	2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING					
7	.debug_aranges	00000020	00000000	00000000	000003ac	2**0
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING					
8	.debug_line	00000067	00000000	00000000	000003cc	2**0
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING					
9	.debug_str	0000017a	00000000	00000000	00000433	2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING					
10	.comment	00000012	00000000	00000000	000005ad	2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY					
11	.ARM.attributes	00000033	00000000	00000000	000005bf	2**0
	CONTENTS, READONLY					
12	.debug_frame	0000004c	00000000	00000000	000005f4	2**2
	CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING					

1-text section: size of instruction code =0xbc.

2-data section: size of initialized global array = 0x0 .

3-bss section: size of uninitialized global =0x400.

4-vectors section : size of constant data =0x10.

5-debug sections and other sections.

6.3: elf image sections headers

```
Sections:
Idx Name          Size      VMA       LMA       File off  Algn
  0 .text          0000018c  00000000  00000000  00008000  2**2
    CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, READONLY, CODE
  1 .bss           00000400  20000000  0000018c  00010000  2**2
    ALLOC
  2 .debug_info     000001e7  00000000  00000000  0000818c  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  3 .debug_abbrev   00000120  00000000  00000000  00008373  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  4 .debug_loc      0000009c  00000000  00000000  00008493  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  5 .debug_aranges  00000040  00000000  00000000  0000852f  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  6 .debug_line     000000c8  00000000  00000000  0000856f  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  7 .debug_str       0000015e  00000000  00000000  00008637  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  8 .comment        00000011  00000000  00000000  00008795  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY
  9 .ARM.attributes 00000033  00000000  00000000  000087a6  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY
10 .debug_frame     00000078  00000000  00000000  000087dc  2**2
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
```

1-text section: size of instruction code =0x18c.

2-bss section: size of initialized global array = 0x400.

3- debug sections and other section.