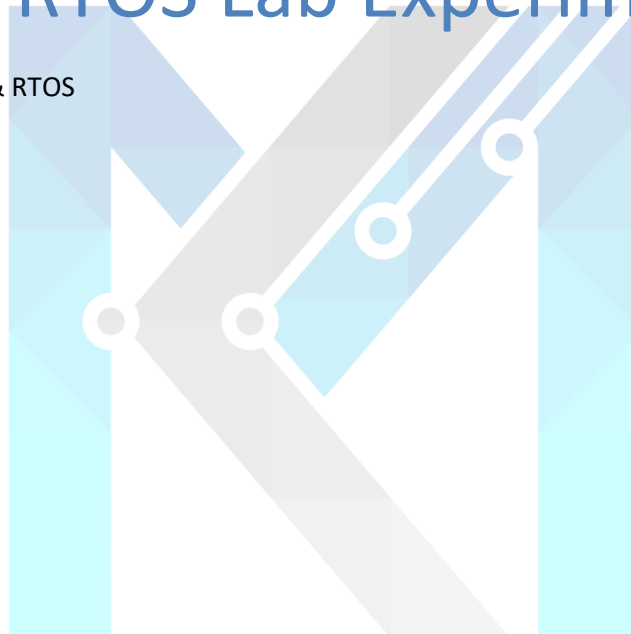


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1. Semaphore

Semaphore Introduction

In multitasking operating system, a semaphore is a variable used to control the access to a common resource by multiple processes. The value of semaphore represents the number of available resources. Semaphores are equipped with two operations: **P** and **V**.

Operation V increments the semaphore, while operation P decrements it. When operation P is executed but the semaphore value is zero, the task executing it will be blocked and wait until the semaphore value is bigger than zero.

Imaging that there is a parking lot with ten parking spaces, which means this parking lot can contain ten vehicles. We regard the parking lot as a semaphore with the value 10 and vehicles as the tasks. A vehicle come into the parking lot means a operation P, while a vehicle go out from the parking lot means a operation V. At the beginning, the parking lot is empty. Vehicles come into the parking lot, do operation P and occupy the parking spaces. When the parking lot is full, the value of semaphore is zero. If there is a vehicle wants to come into the parking lot and do the operation P, it has to wait outside until there is a vehicle goes out from the parking lot and does operation V.

Semaphores which allow an arbitrary resource count are called counting semaphores, while semaphores which are restricted to the values 0 and 1 (or locked/unlocked, unavailable/available) are called binary semaphores and are used to implement mutex locks.

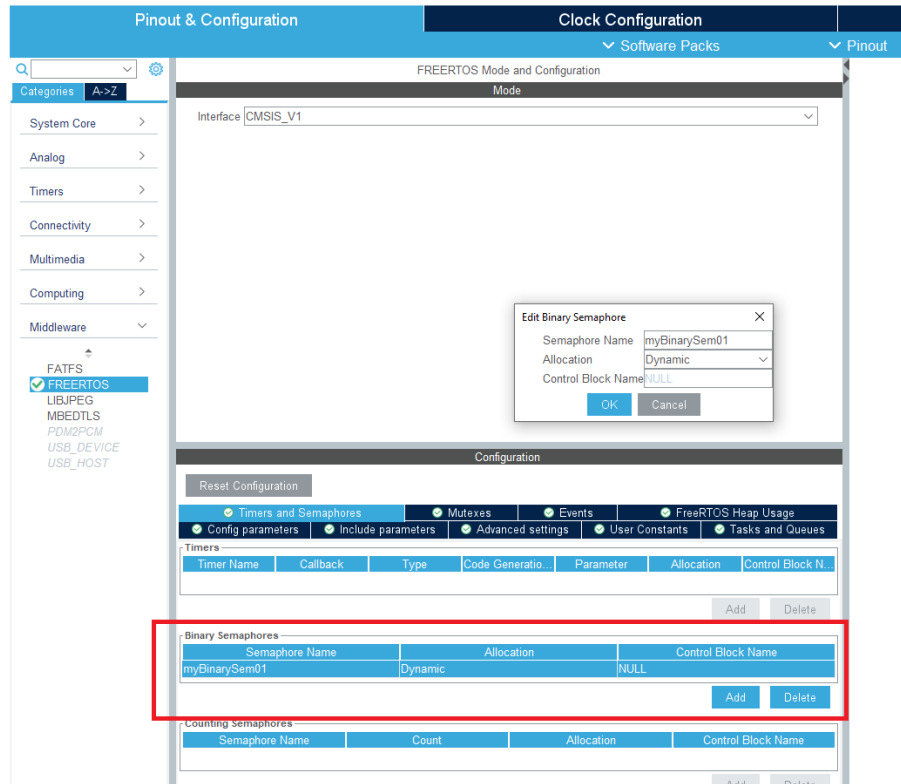
Lab Experiment 1

Write a Program to create two tasks to synchronization using binary semaphore. Task1 release a semaphore to Task2 every 100 msec delay. Task2 keep on waiting for semaphore, once semaphore is received then toggle RED & GREEN LED and again waiting for semaphore.

Name of the Binary Semaphore is *"myBinarySem01"*

Binary Semaphore Configuration on STM32CubeIDE

Go to the Timers and Semaphores tab and add **binary semaphores** named myBinarySem01.



```
void Task01(void const * argument)
{
    for(;;)
    {
        osDelay(100);
        osSemaphoreRelease(myBinarySem01Handle);
    }
}
```

```
void Task02(void const * argument)
{
    /* Infinite loop */
    for(;;)
    {
        osSemaphoreWait(myBinarySem01Handle, osWaitForever); //0x0000FFFF);
        HAL_GPIO_TogglePin(GPIOB, GPIO_PIN_13);
        HAL_GPIO_TogglePin(GPIOB, GPIO_PIN_14);
    }
}
```

Lab Experiment 2

Write a producer consumer problem synchronization using two binary semaphores.

- Create producer & consumer tasks and also create “myBinaryEmpty” & “myBinaryFull” binary semaphores.
- Producer task release a “myBinaryEmpty” semaphore once fill the buffer. And wait for “myBinaryFull” semaphore.
- Consumer task release a “myBinaryFull” semaphore once fill the buffer. And wait for “myBinaryEmpty” semaphore.

```
void Producer(void const * argument)
{
    /* Infinite loop */
    int in=0,counter=0;
    for(;;)
    {
        osSemaphoreWait(myBinaryFullHandle, osWaitForever);
        while(1) {
            buffer[in] = ch;
            in = (in + 1)%5;

            if(in==0)
            {
                in=0;
                ch='A';
                HAL_UART_Transmit(&huart1, (uint8_t *)"Producer: ", 10,1000);
                HAL_UART_Transmit(&huart1, (uint8_t *)buffer, 5,1000);
                break;
            }
            ch++;
        }
        osSemaphoreRelease(myBinaryEmptyHandle);
    }
}
```

```
void Consumer(void const * argument)
{
    int out=0;
    for(;;)
    {
        osSemaphoreWait(myBinaryEmptyHandle, osWaitForever);
        while(1)
        {
            data[out] = buffer[out];
            out = (out + 1) % 5;
        }
    }
}
```

```
if(out == 0)
{
    out=5;
    HAL_UART_Transmit(&huart1, (uint8_t *)"Consumer: ", 10,1000);
    HAL_UART_Transmit(&huart1, (uint8_t *)data, 5,1000);
    break;
} // if
} // while
    osSemaphoreRelease(myBinaryFullHandle);
} // for
}
```

Reference Links:

- FreeRTOS API Reference: <https://www.freertos.org/a00106.html>
- CMSIS-RTOS API Reference: http://www.keil.com/pack/doc/CMSIS/RTOS/html/group_CMSIS_RTOS.html

