

EE2016: Assignment-8

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1 Introduction

This experiment involves writing assembly language programs to interface light-emitting diodes (LEDs) with an ARM-based microcontroller. Using the MCB2300 Keil-ARM board, which is equipped with an NXP LPC2378 microcontroller, we will program LED signals directly from the microcontroller.

1.1 MCB2300 Keil-ARM Board

The **MCB2300** development board by Keil supports the NXP LPC23xx ARM microcontrollers, ideal for embedded application prototyping. Key features of the MCB2300 board include:

- **I/O Interfaces:** Multiple GPIO ports enable sensor, display, and peripheral integration.
- **Communication Support:** Ethernet, USB, CAN, and RS232 support makes the board suitable for networked applications.
- **Debugging:** Integrated JTAG for real-time debugging with Keil uVision.
- **LCD Display:** Onboard LCD offers real-time data display for immediate feedback.

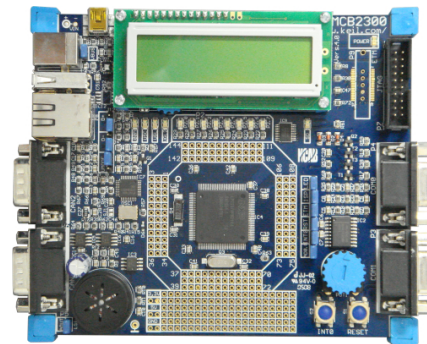


Figure 1: MCB2300 Keil-ARM Board

1.2 LPC2378 Microcontroller

The **LPC2378** microcontroller by NXP is a 32-bit ARM7TDMI-S-based MCU offering balanced power efficiency and performance, suited for control and communication-intensive applications. Key features of the LPC2378:

- **Core and Clock Speed:** ARM7TDMI-S core, up to 72 MHz, for real-time processing.
- **Memory:** 512 KB Flash and 58 KB SRAM for substantial data and program storage.
- **Peripherals and Interfaces:** USB 2.0, Ethernet MAC, CAN controllers, multiple UARTs, SPIs, and I2C interfaces for broad connectivity.
- **Timers and ADC:** Equipped with timers, PWM, and a 10-bit ADC for precision control.



Figure 2: LPC2378 Microcontroller

[LPC23XX User Manuel](#) provides essential information on pin addresses, register configurations, memory mapping, and peripheral functionalities necessary for programming and interfacing with the LPC23xx microcontroller series.

2 Tasks

2.1 Task 1: Specify the Port Register Addresses Using the LPC2378 Manual

The purpose of this task is to define specific register addresses based on the LPC2378 manual. Using the EQU directive, we assign addresses to the registers needed for interfacing with the LEDs. Each register address is used to set or control the function of specific pins on the microcontroller.

```
1 ; Define register addresses based on LPC2378 manual
2 PINSEL10 EQU 0xE002C028 ; Pin Function Select Register 10
3 FIO2DIR EQU 0x3FFFC040 ; Fast GPIO Port 2 Direction Register
4 PINSEL4 EQU 0xE002C010 ; Pin Function Select Register 4
5 FIO2PIN EQU 0x3FFFC054 ; Fast GPIO Port 2 Pin Register
```

2.2 Task 2: Setting the PINSEL10 Register

To disable the ETM function on the FIO2 port, we use the PINSEL10 register. The goal is to set the 3rd bit of the register to 0, which disables the ETM function while keeping the remaining bits unchanged.

```
1 ldr r0, =PINSEL10 ; Load the address of PINSEL10 into r0
2 ldr r1, [r0] ; Load current value of PINSEL10 into r1
3 mov r2, #0xfffffbb ; Prepare a mask with the 3rd bit as 0
4 and r1, r2 ; Clear the 3rd bit of r1 to disable ETM function
5 str r1, [r0] ; Store the modified value back into PINSEL10
```

2.3 Task 3: Setting the PINSEL4 Register

We set the PINSEL4 register to configure the pins as GPIO (General Purpose Input/Output) by setting all bits to 0. This ensures the direction control bit in the FIO2DIR register is effective.

```
1 ldr r0, =PINSEL4 ; Load the address of PINSEL4 into r0
2 mov r2, #0 ; Move 0 into r2 to configure pins as GPIO
3 str r2, [r0] ; Store 0 in PINSEL4 to enable GPIO function
```

2.4 Task 4: Setting the FIO2DIR Register

In this task, we set the direction of the pins in the FIO2DIR register as output. By setting each bit in FIO2DIR to 1, we ensure all pins are configured for output.

```
1 ldr r0, =FIO2DIR ; Load the address of FIO2DIR into r0
2 mov r2, #0xff ; Set all bits to 1 for output direction
3 str r2, [r0] ; Store value in FIO2DIR to set all pins as output
```

2.5 Task 5: Display a Number Using LEDs on the Board

To display a number on the LEDs, we use the FIO2PIN register, where setting specific values turns on corresponding LEDs. Here, we set up a sequence to display a chosen value (170) on the LEDs.

```
1 ldr r0, =FIO2PIN ; Load the address of FIO2PIN into r0
2 mov r2, #170 ; Load the number to display on LEDs into r2
3 str r2, [r0] ; Store this value in FIO2PIN to turn on specific LEDs
```

2.6 Task 6: Modify Task 5 to Make the LEDs Blink with a Delay

This task builds on Task 5 by making the LEDs blink. We alternate between two LED states with a delay loop between each state to create a blinking effect. Here, we display 170 for one delay period, then switch to 85 (the 2's complement of 170) for another delay period.

```

1  ldr r0, =FI02PIN      ; Load the address of FI02PIN into r0
2  forever
3      ; First LED pattern
4      mov r2, #170       ; Set the first LED pattern (170)
5      str r2, [r0]       ; Display this pattern on LEDs
6      ldr r1, =0xffff    ; Load delay counter value into r1
7  delay1
8      subs r1, r1, #1    ; Decrement delay counter
9      bne delay1         ; Repeat delay loop until counter is 0
10
11     ; Second LED pattern
12     mov r2, #85        ; Set the second LED pattern (85)
13     str r2, [r0]       ; Display this pattern on LEDs
14     ldr r1, =0xffff    ; Reload delay counter value into r1
15  delay2
16     subs r1, r1, #1    ; Decrement delay counter
17     bne delay2         ; Repeat delay loop until counter is 0
18
19     b forever          ; Loop back to alternate LED patterns indefinitely

```

3 Program Files and Outputs

Code for Tasks 1-5: Contains the ARM code for the tasks 1 to 5.

Code for Task 6: Contains the ARM code for task 6.

Video for Task 6: Output for the modified code which adds delay loop to create a blinking effect.

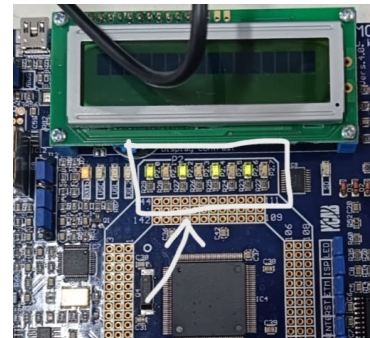


Figure 3: LED display $(170)_{10}$ in binary $(10101010)_2$