Computer Science

Fall 2024: CSCI 181RT Real-Time Systems in the Real World

Lecture 26 - Fin

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 Edmunds Hall 105 2:45 PM - 4:00 PM

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Agenda

- Go Backs
- Discussion on Reading
- Missed Real-Time Topics
- Lab #13 Preview
- Action Items



Go Backs

- General?
- Action Item Status
 - AI240924-1: At what point as a development team grows does it make sense to have dedicated software and integration testers?
 - Al241024-1: Provide documentation on how to disable compiler optimization.
 - Al241107-1: Generate drawing showing location of Task Test Points on evaluation board.



Discussion on Readings

- The Soul Of A New Machine
 - Chapters 11 16 & Epilog: Shorter Than A Season, Pinball, Going To The Fair, The Last Crunch, Canards (unfounded rumor or story - discusses PALs), Dinosaurs (insightful), Epilog



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From of The Soul Of A New Machine, Canards, Page 274

Quote from Rosemarie Seal "We all had something different to prove and we were all trying to prove the same thing."

From of The Soul Of A New Machine, Dinosaurs, Page 287

West added: "It was a summer romance. But that's all right. Summer romances are some of the best things that ever happen."



- Drawn From Class Surveys in Lecture 1- Tuesday, August 27
 - Case studies of real-time systems gone wrong
 - (Digital) Signal Processing
 - Hacking
 - Security in real-time systems
 - Hardware monitoring and life expectancy
 - Real-time DSP design and implementation



- Case Studies of Real-time Systems Gone Wrong
 - BD Internal Hardware Design Team
 - 3 Year Delay
 - Poor Design Results
 - Lack of Imagination
 - Lack of Understanding of Overall System Timing Needs
 - Some Portion on 1 µs Timing
 - Some Portion on Human Timing (100s ms)



- Case studies of real-time systems gone wrong
 - Mars Climate Orbiter 1999
 - https://science.nasa.gov/mission/mars-climate-orbiter/
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mars_Climate_Orbiter
 - Requirements Failure
 - System Wide
 - Interface Documents
 - Integration Failure
 - Simulation Data Exchange?



- (Digital) Signal Processing
 - Broad Topic
 - FPGAs and DSPs
 - Key Debounce
 - PWM Concepts
 - Input Signal Detection and Monitoring
 - Nyquist Theorem
 - Perhaps Add Some Digital Filtering?



- Hacking
- Security in Real-time Systems
 - Interfaces to the Outside World
 - Defensive Coding
 - Error Checking and Corrective Action
 - Buffer Size Checking
 - Capture All Cases Supply Code to Support Out of Bound Conditions
 - Updates to OS and Support Software
 - Certified Versions of OS Common Criteria (CC) and FIPS 140-2 (cryptology)



- Hardware Monitoring and Life Expectancy
 - Life Expectancy is a Hardware Characteristic
 - Mean Time Between Failure (MTBF)
 - Summed Reliability of All Components in a System
 - Inverse Relationship to Temperature
 - Environmental Conditions Shock and Vibration
 - Monitoring Usually Performed as a Low Priority Task
 - Remote Sensors Often I2C or SPI Interface
 - Polled Operation
 - Temperature, Voltage, Current, Vibration, Shock
 - Can be Logged for Out-of-bounds Conditions and Trend Analysis



- Real-time DSP Design and Implementation
 - Software Design is Very Similar
 - OS Selection, Poling, Tasks, Semaphore
 - Hardware May be Optimized for Specific Functions
 - Audio, Video, Motor Control, Process Control
 - May Include Hardware Digital Filters
 - Special IO for Specific Tasks
 - Fixed Point Math vs Floating Point Math
 - Fixed Point: 16-Bit, 24-Bit, 32-bit
 - Floating Point: Single Precision, Double Precision



Lab #13 Review

- Commentary on Labs
 - Addition of Charts at Start?
- If Have Working Code From Last Lab, Send Me Your Code
- Simple Digital Filter
 - FIR vs IIR
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Finite_impulse_response
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Infinite_impulse_response
 - https://community.sw.siemens.com/s/article/introductionto-filters-fir-versus-iir



Action Items and Discussion

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