CPE 325: Intro to Embedded Computer System

Lab03

Digital I/O on Experimenter's Board: LEDs and Switches

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Theory

Topic 1: Debouncing

- a) Debouncing is a technique used to ensure that a function is executed only once after a specific period of time, regardless of how many times it is triggered within that interval.
- b) Debouncing prevents unnecessary executions of a function when an event is triggered multiple times in quick succession, improving performance by reducing the frequency of expensive operations.
- It is usually applied in scenarios where events occur rapidly, such as keystrokes and mouse movements.
- d) It is implemented by setting a timer when the event is triggered. If the event is triggered again before the timer expires, the previous timer is cleared and restarted. The function executes only after the timer expires without further triggers.

Topic 2: Software Delay

- a) A software delay introduces a time delay between operations without the use of hardware timers in an embedded system where precise timing is not critical.
- b) This is implemented using an empty for-loop. The delay duration depends on the number of iterations, the clock speed of the microcontroller, and the instructions used in the loop.
- c) Software delays are useful for making LEDs blink, debouncing, and allowing hardware to initialize during startup.
- d) Ex.:

```
unsigned int i = 0;
for (i = 0; i < 2000; i++); //20 ms delay
```

Results & Observation

Program 1:

Program Description:

This C program starts with LED1 off and LED2 on. If Switch 1 is held, LED1 blinks at 11 Hz and LED2 turns off. If Switch 2 is held, LED1 turns on and LED2 blinks at 6 Hz. When none of the switches are pressed, it returns to its original state with LED1 off and LED2 on.

Report Questions:

1. How do you handle debouncing?

Debouncing is handled with an empty for loop under a condition to create a delay of 20 ms, before checking the condition once again to determine whether the switch is actually pressed.

2. How do you create the required delay?

The required delay is implemented using empty for loops.

To blink LED1 at 11 Hz,

$$11 \, Hz = \frac{1000 \, ms}{t}$$

$$t \approx 90 \, ms$$

To blink LED2 at 6 Hz,

$$6 Hz = \frac{1000 \, ms}{t}$$

$$t \approx 166 \, ms$$

Therefore, the empty loops create a delay of 90 ms and 166 ms for when SW1 and SW2 are held respectively.

3. How does your code handle both the switches?

While the program is running, the code checks if Switch 1 is held. If it is, it executes the instructions for that condition. If Switch 1 is not held, it checks if Switch 2 is held. If Switch 2 is held, it executes the respective instructions for that condition. Otherwise, it remains in its original state.

Program Flowchart:

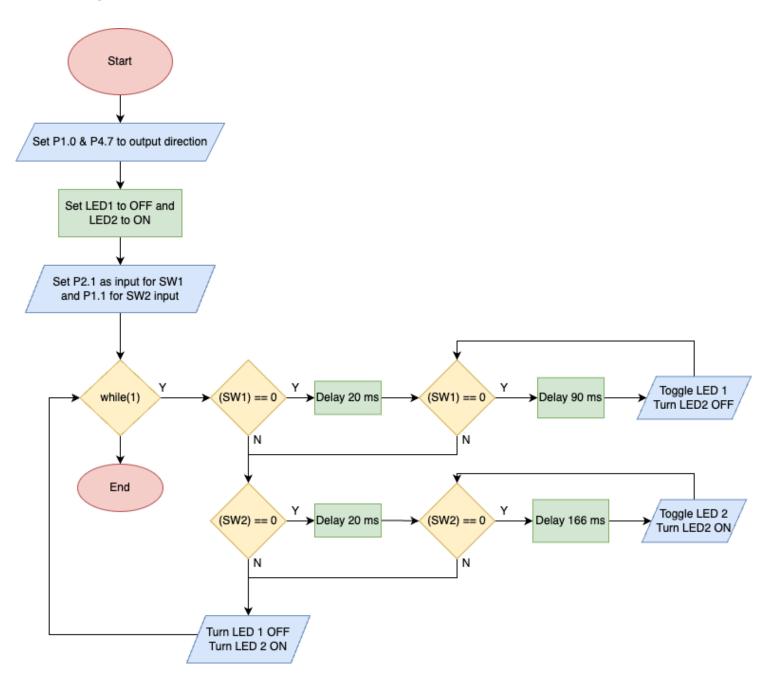


Figure 01: Program 1 Flowchart

Table 01: Program 1 source code

```
/*-----
* File: Lab01_P1.c

* Function: Controlling LED1 and LED2 using switches
* Description: This C program starts with LED1 off and LED2 on. If SW1 is
            held, LED1 blinks at 11 hz and LED2 turns off. If SW2 is
              held, LED1 turns on and LED2 blinks at 6 hz.
* Input: Hold Switch 1 or Switch 2
* Output: LED1 blinks at 11 hz and LED2 turns off when Switch1 is held
* and LED1 turns on and LED2 blinks at 6 hz when Switch2 is pressed
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*----*/
#include <msp430.h>
// Interface inputs and outputs
void main(void)
   WDTCTL = WDTPW + WDTHOLD;  // Stop watchdog timer
   // Original state with LED1 OFF and LED2 ON
   P1DIR |= LED1;  // Set P1.0 to output direction
P4DIR |= LED2;  // Set P4.7 to output direction
P1OUT &= ~LED1;  // LED1 is OFF
P4OUT |= LED2;  // LED2 is ON
                                  // LED2 is ON
   P4OUT |= LED2;
                              // Set P2.1 as input for SW1 input
// Enable pull-up register at P2.1
   P2DIR &= ~BIT1;
   P2REN |= BIT1;
   P2OUT |= BIT1;
   P1DIR &= ~BIT1;
                              // Set P1.1 as input for SW2 input
// Enable pull-up register at P1.1
   P1REN |= BIT1;
   P1OUT |= BIT1;
   unsigned int i = 0;
   while(1)
       if ((SW1) == 0)
                                         // If SW1 is pressed
           for (i = 2000; i>0; i--); // Debounce ~20 ms
           while ((SW1) == 0)
                                         // If SW1 is actually pressed
               for (i = 0; i < 9000; i++);// 90 ms delay
              P1OUT ^= LED1; // Toggle LED1
P4OUT &= ~LED2; // Turn LED2 OFF
           }
```

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