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**TITLE:** Inter-task communication using Queues

**AIM:** Write a FreeRTOS based program to send & receive message using queues & UART0 of LPC 2148

1. **OUTCOME:** Implement Open Source RTOS for resource sharing using inter task communication

### **Components Required: -**

#### **Hardware:**

- LPC2148 Microcontroller Board
- UART0 interface (for serial communication)
- Serial communication cable (e.g., USB to UART converter)
- PC or terminal software (e.g., PuTTY, Tera Term) for UART communication

#### **Software:**

- Keil µVision IDE
- ARM Compiler

### **Procedure:-**

#### **Step 1: Setup the Project**

- Create a new Keil project for LPC2148.
- Add the startup files and system initialization code.
- Add FreeRTOS source files to the project.
- Configure the clock and peripheral initialization, especially UART0.

#### **Step 2: Initialize UART0**

- Configure UART0 baud rate, data bits, parity, stop bits.
- Enable UART0 interrupts if needed.

#### **Step 3: Create FreeRTOS Tasks**

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- Create two tasks:
  - **Sender Task:** Sends messages to a queue.
  - **Receiver Task:** Receives messages from the queue and sends them over UART0.

#### **Step 4: Create a Queue**

- Define and create a queue with `xQueueCreate()` to hold messages

#### **Step 5: Implement Task Functions**

- **Sender Task:**
  - Periodically sends messages to the queue using `xQueueSend()` or `xQueueSendToBack()`.
- **Receiver Task:**
  - Waits on the queue using `xQueueReceive()`.
  - When a message is received, transmits it via UART0.

#### **Step 6: Start the Scheduler**

- Call `vTaskStartScheduler()` to start the FreeRTOS scheduler.

#### **Step 7: Debug and Test**

- Connect UART0 to PC terminal software.
- Build and flash the program to LPC2148.
- Observe messages sent from the receiver task on the PC terminal.

#### **Mention and Describe the FreeRTOS APIs related to Queue**

`xQueueCreate()`      Creates a new queue instance. You specify the queue length (number of items) and item size.

`xQueueSend()`      Sends an item to the back of the queue from a task. Blocks or returns immediately based on timeout.

`xQueueSendToBack()`      Alias for `xQueueSend()`, adds item to the back of the queue.

xQueueSendToFront() Sends an item to the front of the queue, useful for priority messages.

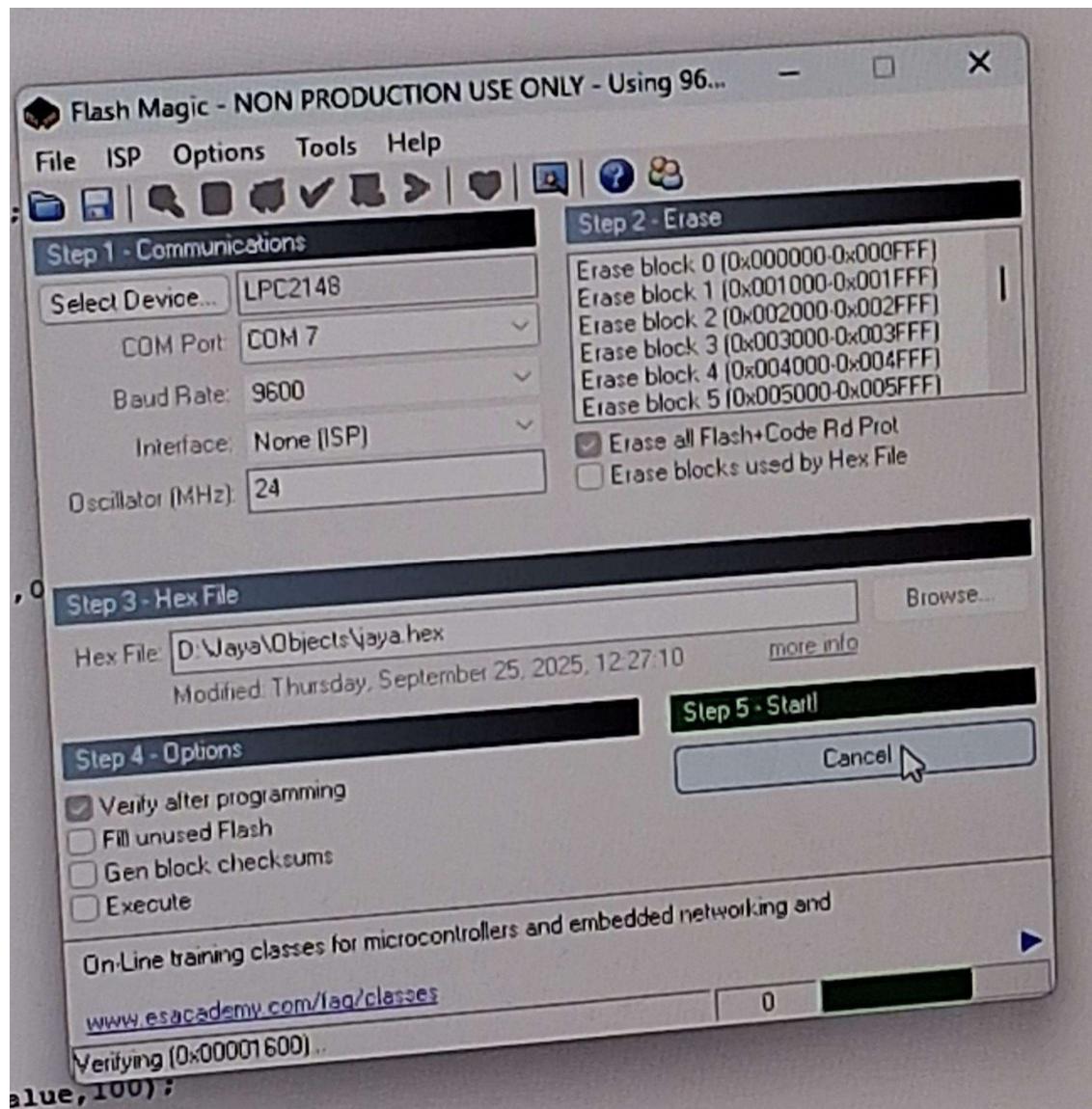
xQueueReceive() Receives (reads) an item from the queue, optionally blocking until an item becomes available.

xQueuePeek() Peeks at the item at the front of the queue without removing it.

uxQueueMessagesWaiting() Returns the number of messages currently stored in the queue.

vQueueDelete() Deletes a queue and frees up resources.

### **Observations: -**



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "Flash Magic Terminal - COM 7, 9600". The window has a menu bar with "Options" and "Output >>". The main area displays the text "WELCOME\n" repeated nine times. Below the terminal window, there is a large empty input field labeled "Input >>".

### **Conclusion:**

The program successfully demonstrates inter-task communication using FreeRTOS queues, enabling safe and efficient message passing between tasks. This implementation highlights how RTOS facilitates resource sharing and synchronization in embedded systems.

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