

Assignment 1: Morse Time

1 Introduction

As an additional opportunity to consolidate your skills, we offer three programming exercises. They make up 20% of your overall grade as outlined in the first exercise session. You are encouraged to discuss approaches and share experience with other students. But as it affects your grade, your submission must of course be your own original work, and will be checked on plagiarism.

The submissions are graded fully automatic once per hour after the grading machine is set up (usually a day or two after the release date above). Together with your achieved points you will be provided several logfiles which explain why your solution got this amount of points. You can upload a new solution as often as you like during the submission period, but we will ask questions in the case of a conspicuous high number of submissions. So don't just adapt your code to the grading framework. In the end, your best submission will be used for grading. Should you find evidence that the grading does not follow the problem statement set out below, please contact us as soon as possible, so we can look into the problem and fix it before too many other students are affected.

Please contact me if you need a German translation for a specific part.

Reminder: If you decided to buy your own XMC4500 board instead of borrowing it from us, you have to send us the 128 bit “unique chip id” (UCI) of your XMC board. This is mandatory to solve the last task of assignment 2.

The UCI is relocated by the startup code of your microcontroller and made available as a global variable. Search the `system_XMC4500.h` for it and submit the content of the global variable via an encrypted email. The required PGP public key can be found on the homepage of the staff member. The email should have the subject “UCI for ESS” and should contain the following body content:

UCI: `UCInumber`

where `UCInumber` has to be replaced with your identified UCI in form of a 32 digit hex number.

2 Problem Description

2.1 Part A

In this part you have to write code that is able to send a given string in Morse code via LED1. You probably want to use one of the example projects as a starting point, rename it to `PartA`, and replace the example code with your solution.

Use the current ITU standard M.1677-1 for details on the Morse Code. You do not have to implement punctuation characters. Letters and numbers according to Sections 1.1.1 and 1.1.2 are sufficient (excluding the accented *e*). The length of a dot has to be $100\text{ ms} \pm 10\text{ ms}$, confer Section 2 of the standard for the length of the other signals. You can verify the length e.g. by checking the time it takes to send a certain message divided by the length of the message in number of dot equivalents. Send the string in the most simple form, i.e. not transmitting a wrong character, then sending the correction signal and then the correct character. Instead of the general transmission rules in Part II of the standard, send out the string repeatedly while the device is on, without any calling or invitation signals but a pause of 5 s after each transmission.

The string to send out is: `I CAN MORSE`

2.2 Part B

Copy the project from Part A, call the copy `PartB` and extend it as follows:

- The string is not sent continuously, but only once when Button1 is pressed down (not when it is released).
- Once Button2 is pressed down (not when it is released), the time between the last and second last press of Button1 in milliseconds is sent once in Morse code via LED1.
 - If Button1 has not been pressed yet, send a single 0 digit.
 - If Button1 has only been pressed once, send the time between boot and the first press of Button1.
 - The time has to be sent in decimal notation without leading zeroes or decimal point. Round off to full milliseconds.
- While a transmission of Morse code is ongoing, any button press may be ignored.
- If both buttons are pressed simultaneously, the one pressed down first wins, and locks the other one until the first one is released.

Make sure measuring the time between button presses does not interfere with your transmission in Morse code. There are several solutions to this, e.g. using the SysTick or the CCU4.

3 Hints

- Check the Board User's Manual of the XMC Relax Kit (not the reference manual of the XMC4500) for the GPIOs connected to the buttons (see Exercise 2, Problem 2.3.2)
- The buttons on the XMC Relax Lite Kit are equipped with RC filters for debouncing
- The drivers in `xmclib` may ease one task or the other
- Structure your program wisely

In case you opt for the CCU4 in Part B, here are a few hints:

- Do not be overwhelmed by the complexity of CCU4, you only need few of its features
- Remember how we used the CCU4 for PWM dimming in Exercise 2, Problem 2.3.3. Except that this time you do not produce a PWM signal but let the timer count milliseconds since it was last reset to 0 (the counter, not the whole peripheral).
- Use the search function of your PDF viewer to look up register names
- Remarks on section 22.6.1 of the manual:
 - The XMC4500 boots with reset already applied to all peripherals
 - `GCTRL` is fine with its initial `0x00`
 - Configuring the timer slice confines to setting up prescaler, period and compare value then requesting a shadow transfer
 - Step 7 is not needed
 - As we do not need to start timers synchronously, Step 9 reduces to setting the run bit of the respective slice

4 Submission

4.1 What to Submit

- A ZIP archive containing both projects including all subfolders.
 - I.e. your ZIP has to contain two project folders in its root, named `PartA` and `PartB`.
- Make sure the `*.elf` (or `*.hex`) files in your project are up to date, since they are used without modification.

4.2 How to Submit

1. From any of your project directories (e.g. directory `PartA`) run `make deliverable`.
2. Make will create a `.zip`-file in `../`.
3. Upload this archive via Moodle.