# Fundamentals of Embedded and Real Time Systems

MODULE 07

TAMER AWAD

# Review Module 06

## Module 07

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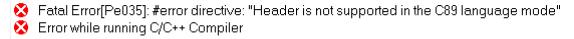
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# C Types

- -stdint.h
- -#include with quotes vs brackets
- -Mixing types
- -typedef

### <stdint.h>

- •The C standard does not define the size of the basic data types.
  - For example: "int" can occupy 32-bit on one machine and 16-bit or 8-bit on another.
- •The C standard specifies that the size of "short" must not be bigger than "int" and "int" must be not bigger than "long".
- •It is often important to know exactly the size and sign of the variables so that the code runs the same way regardless of the target processor architecture.
- •The C99 standard specifies the header <**stdint.h**> which declares sets of integer types with standard names, specified widths and defines corresponding sets of macros (see <u>section 7.18 in the C99</u> standard for details)
- •Compiler vendors are responsible for providing the appropriate typedefs inside that standard library header file.
- •The IAR compiler supports the C99 standard (in the project options settings).
- •Note: If you switch your project to C89, you will get a compiler error including stdint.h



# typedef

- Each typedef statement defines a new type.
- •Hint: Typedef definitions should be read from right to left (similar to pointers)
- •EX> typedef int uint32\_t:
  - Reads: "uint32\_t" is typedef name for an int data type
- •int\* b;
  - Reads: "b" is a pointer to an "int" variable type.
- •typedef vs #define:
  - https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/typedef-versus-define-c/

### <stdint.h>

- •The file uses typedefs to define the following fixed-width integer types (among other things):
  - int8\_t: for signed 8-bit integer
  - uint8\_t: for unsigned 8-bit integer
  - int16\_t: for signed 16-bit integer
  - uint16\_t: for unsigned 16-bit integer
  - int32\_t: for signed 32-bit integer
  - uint32\_t: for unsigned 32-bit integer
- •The value of the **stdint** header file is in standardizing the type names and the fact that it is the responsibility of the compiler vendor to provide the right definitions for the CPU.
- •It's done by means of macros, such as \_\_INT32\_T\_TYPE\_\_, which in turn are defined in terms of the built-in types.

# Size & Range of Data Types in ARM

**Table 2.2** Size and Range of Data Types in ARM Architecture Including Cortex-M Processors

C and C99 (stdint.h) Data Type	Number of Bits	Range (Signed)	Range (Unsigned)
char, int8_t, uint8_t	8	-128 to 127	0 to 255
short int16_t, uint16_t	16	-32768 to 32767	0 to 65535
int, int32_t, uint32_t	32	-2147483648 to 2147483647	0 to 4294967295
Long	32	-2147483648 to 2147483647	0 to 4294967295
long long, int64_t, uint64_t	64	-(2^63) to (2^63 - 1)	0 to (2^64 - 1)
Float	32	$-3.4028234 \times 10^{38}$ to $3.4028234 \times 10^{38}$	
Double	64	$-1.7976931348623157 \times 10^{308}$ to $1.7976931348623157 \times 10^{308}$	
long double	64	$-1.7976931348623157 \times 10^{308}$ to $1.7976931348623157 \times 10^{308}$	
Pointers	32	0x0 to 0xFFFFFFF	
Enum	8 / 16/32	Smallest possible data type, except when overridden by compiler option	
bool (C++ only), _Bool (C only)	8	True or false	
wchar_t	16	0 to 65535	

Table 2.3 Data Size Definition in ARM Processor				
Terms	Size			
Byte	8-bit			
Half word	16-bit			
Word	32-bit			
Double word	64-bit			

# #include with "quotes" vs <brackets>

#### •C99 Spec section 6.10.2:

- A preprocessing directive of the form # include <h-char-sequence>
  - Searches a sequence of implementation-defined places for a header identified uniquely by the specified sequence between the < and > delimiters, and causes the replacement of that directive by the entire contents of the header. How the places are specified or the header identified is implementation-defined.
- A preprocessing directive of the form # include "q-char-sequence"
  - Causes the replacement of that directive by the entire contents of the source file identified by the specified sequence between the "delimiters. The named source file is searched for in an implementation-defined manner. If this search is not supported, or if the search fails, the directive is reprocessed as if it read # include <h-char-sequence> new-line
- •In summary: It's compiler dependent, but in general:
  - Using "quotes" prioritizes headers in the current working directory over system headers.
  - Using *<brackets>* is often used for system headers

# Assignment of different types

```
uint8_t u8a, u8b;
uint16_t u16c, u16d;
uint32_t u32e, u32f;

u8a = 0xa1u;
u16c = 0xc1c2u;
u32e = 0xe0e1e2e3;

u8b = u8a;
u16d = u16c;
u32f = u32e;
```

```
u8b = u8a:
0x800'0062: 0x7800
                           LDRB
                                      RO, [RO]
0x800'0064: 0x4b15
                           LDR.N
                                      R3, [PC, #0x54]
0x800'0066: 0x7018
                           STRB
                                      RO, [R3]
u16d = u16c;
                           LDRH
                                      RO, [R1]
0x800'0068: 0x8808
                           LDR.N
0x800'006a: 0x4915
                                      R1, [PC, #0x54]
0x800'006c: 0x8008
                           STRH
                                      R0, [R1]
u32f = u32e:
                           LDR
0x800'006e: 0x6810
                                      R0, [R2]
0x800'0070: 0x4914
                           LDR.N
                                      R1, [PC, #0x50]
0x800'0072: 0x6008
                           STR
                                      RO, [R1]
```

# Mixing types and implicit conversion

- •C always automatically promotes smaller-size integers to the built-in 'int' or 'unsigned int' type before performing computations.
- •The precision in which the computation is performed does not depend on the left-hand side of the assignment.
- Enforce promotion at least of one of the operands.
- •The computation is performed at the largest precision of the involved operands.
- •When mixing signed and unsigned operands, both are promoted to 'unsigned int' and the result is 'unsigned int'.



# Demo: stdint.h & Mixing Types

- -Include "stdint.h"
- -Failure to compile with C89
- -Open stdint.h and show location as "system" file.
- -Look inside stdint.h
- -sizeof(<stdint\_types>)
- -Mixing types issues

## Mixing types: Example 1 - Issue

```
uint32_t u32e, u32f;
uint64_t u64z;
u32e = 4000000000u;
u32f = 300000000u;
u64z = u32e + u32f;
```

- •On a 64-bit machine, the promotion will be to 64-bit, because this is the size of 'int' on that machine.
- •However, on 32-bit machine, no promotion happens, because the type 'int' is only 32-bit wide.
  - 4000,000,000 + 7000,000,000 will overflow
  - The result of the computation is eventually assigned to a 64-bit wide number, which has enough range to represent 7000,000,000.
- •This example shows that the precision in which the computation is performed does not depend on the left-hand side of the assignment.

How do you fix this?

## Mixing types: Example 1 - Solution

```
uint32 t u32e, u32f;
uint64 t u64z;
u32e = 40000000000u;
u32f = 30000000000u;
                                          //Not Portable
u64z = u32e + u32f;
u64z = (uint64 t)u32e + u32f;
                                          // Portable
u64z = (uint64 t)u32e + (uint64 t)u32f;
                                          // Portable
```

- -Enforce promotion to a 64-bit precision of at least one of the operands.
- -According to the implicit conversion rule of the C language: *The computation is performed at the largest precision of the involved operands*.
- -If one of the operands is 64-bit wide, the other will be promoted to 64-bits and the whole computation will be performed at 64-bit.

## Mixing types: Example 2 - Issue

```
uint32_t u32e = 1000;
if (u32e > -1)
    u8a = 1u;
else
    u8a = 0u;
```

Remember that in a mixed sign operation, the C standard will promote the signed operand to unsigned int.

main.c
Warning[Pa084]: pointless integer comparison, the result is always false delay.c

How do you fix this?

# Mixing types: Example 2 - Solution

```
uint32_t u32e = 1000;
if ((int32_t)u32e > -1)
   u8a = 1u;
else
   u8a = 0u;
```

## Mixing types: Example 3 - Issue

```
uint8_t u8a;
uint32_t u32f;
u8a = 0xffu;
if (~u8a == 0x00u)
{
    u8b = 1u;
}
u32f = ~u8a;
```

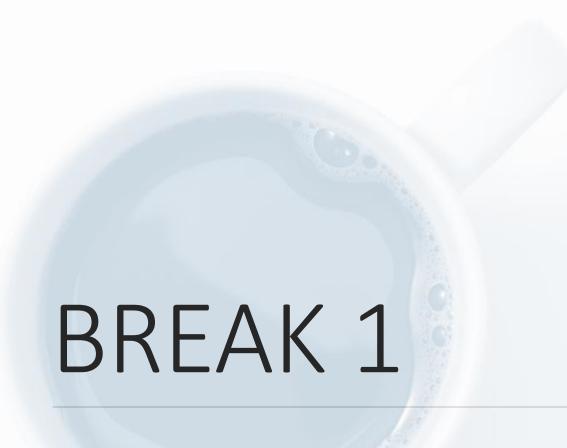
What's the problem?

u8a will be promoted to int (32-bit), so the most significant bytes will be all 0, and the inversion will make them all ones.

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Expression	Value	Location	Туре		
u8a	0xFF	0x20000010	uint8_t		
u32f	0xFFFFFF00	0x20000004	uint32_t		
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# Mixing types: Example 3 - Solution

```
uint8_t u8a;
uint32_t u32f;
u8a = 0xffu;
if ((uint8_t)(^u8a) == 0x00u)
  u8b = 1u;
u32f = ~u8a;
```



### C - Structures

- -Syntax
- -Access to struct members
- -Layout
- -Nested structures
- -Pointers and structures
- -Access in assembly

### Structures in C

- •Structures in C offer a way to group together variables, possibly of different types.
- •The benefit of structures is that they permit a group of related variables to be treated as a unit instead of separate entities.
- •In embedded systems, structures also permit you to access hardware in an elegant and intuitive way (CMSIS)
- According to C99 standard:

A structure type describes a sequentially allocated nonempty set of member objects each of which has an optionally specified name and possibly distinct type.

# Syntax 1: struct definition & declaration with tags

# Syntax 2: struct definition & declaration without tags

# Syntax 3: struct declaration after definition

```
struct <optional_tag> {
    type1 member_1;
    type2 member_2;
} <optional_declaration>;

struct Point {
    uint16_t x;
    uint8_t y;
};

struct Point p1, p2;
```

#### **NOTE:**

Must repeat the "struct" keyword in front of the tag. Unlike C++ where "struct" and "class" are not needed before each declaration.

# Syntax 4: typedef after struct definition

#### Note:

Tag names in C occupy a different namespace than typedef names, variable names, and function names; hence, can have Tag "Point" followed by variable name "Point" as shown above.

# Syntax 5: typedef before struct definition

```
struct <optional_tag> {
   type1 member_1;
   type2 member_2;
} <optional_declaration>;
```

```
typedef struct Point Point;
struct Point {
    uint16_t x;
    uint8_t y;
};
Point p1, p2;
```

#### Note:

Can place the typedef before the struct.

# Syntax 6: Untagged struct inside typedef

```
typedef struct {
   type1 member_1;
   type2 member_2;
} TypeDefName;

typedef struct {
   uint16_t x;
   uint8_t y;
} Point;
Point p1, p2;
```

#### Note:

Struct tag names are almost never needed. The exception being the self-referential structures, such as nodes of linked lists or trees.

## Member Access

```
typedef struct {
    uint16_t x;
    uint8_t y;
} Point;
Point p1, p2;

p1.x = sizeof(Point);
P1.y = 42;
```

### **Question:**

What is the value of p1.x?



### Demo - Structures

- 1. Definition and declaration.
- 2. Show memory layout, addressing, and assembly:
  - typedef struct {uint16\_t x; uint8\_t y;} Point;
  - 2. typedef struct {uint8\_t y; uint16\_t x;} Point;
- 3. Use \_\_packed extended-keyword
- 4. Switch to Cortex-M0 and show layout, addressing, and assembly.

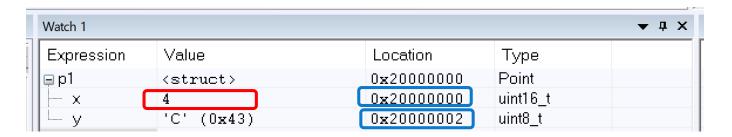
# Layout: Size & Padding

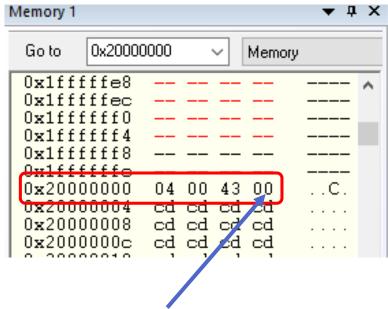
```
typedef struct {
   uint16_t x;
   uint8_t y;
} Point;

Point p1, p2;
p1.x = sizeof(Point);
P1.y = 'C';
```

```
void main(void)
main:
   0x800'0040: 0xb538
                               PUSH
                                         {R3-R5, LR}
    pl.x = sizeof(Point);
   0x800'0042: 0x4810
                               LDR.N
                                         RO, [PC, #0x40]
   0x800'0044: 0x2103
                               MOVS
                                         R1, #3
   0x800'0046: 0x8001
                               STRH
                                         R1, [R0]
   p1.v = 'C';
   0x800'0048: 0x2143
                               MOVS
                                         R1, #67
   0x800'004a: 0x7081
                               STRB
                                         R1, [R0, #0x2]
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```

# Layout: Size & Padding





The compiler padded the structure by one byte to avoid "odd" addresses

# Layout: Changing order of struct members

```
typedef struct {
   uint8_t y;
   uint16_t x;
} Point;

Point p1, p2;
p1.x = sizeof(Point);
P1.y = 'C';
```

```
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                                      RO, [RI]
 p1.x = sizeof(Point);
0x800'004a: 0x4810
                           LDR.N
                                      RO, [PC, #0x40]
                            MOVS
                                      R1, #4
0x800'004c: 0x2104
0x800'004e: 0x8041
                            STRH
                                      R1, [R0, #0x2]
p1.v = 'C';
0x800'0050: 0x2143
                            MOVS
                                      R1, #67
                            STRB
0x800'0052: 0x7001
                                      R1, [R0]
```

```
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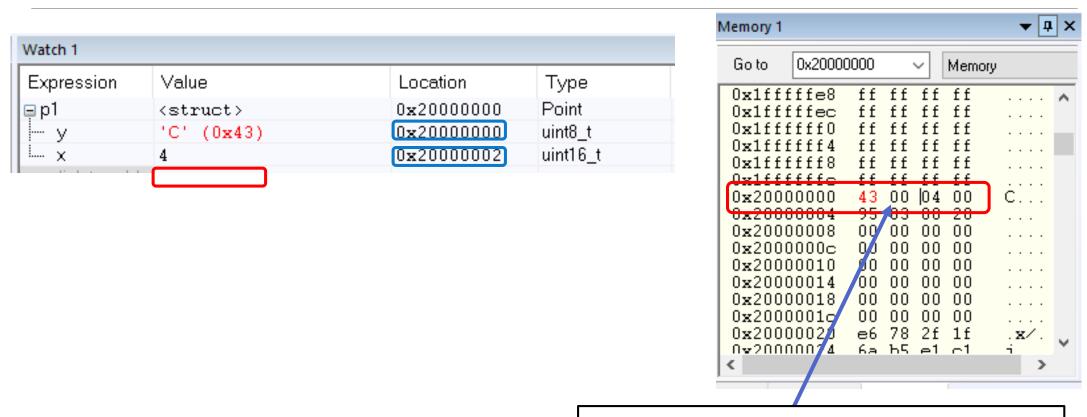
        Expression
        Value
        Location
        Type

        □ p1
        ⟨struct⟩
        0x20000000
        Point

        □ y
        'C' (0x43)
        0x20000000
        uint8_t

        □ x
        4
        0x20000000
        uint16_t
```

# Layout: Changing order of struct members



The compiler padded the structure by one byte

# Layout: Using "\_\_packed"

```
typedef __packed struct {
   uint16_t x;
   uint8_t y;
} Point;

Point p1, p2;
p1.x = sizeof(Point);
P1.y = 42;
```

- Not in C standard
- Most embedded compilers provide some non-standard extension to pack the structure members.
- •The IAR compiler provides the keyword "\_\_packed", which is placed in front of the struct keyword.
- •Question:
  - So what is the value of p1.x?

# Layout: Odd addressing

```
typedef __packed struct {
    uint8_t y;
    uint16_t x;
} Point;

pl.x = sizeof(Point)
    0x4a: 0x4811
    0x4c: 0x2103
    0x4e: 0xf8a0 0x
    pl.y = 'C';
    0x52: 0x2143
    0x54: 0x7001
```

```
Point p1, p2;
p1.x = sizeof(Point);
P1.y = 0x43;
```

Watch 1			
Expression	Value	Location	Туре
<b>□</b> p1	(struct)	0x20000000	Point
T y	'C' (0x43)	0x20000000	uint8_t
<u> </u>	3	0x20000001	uint16_t

# Layout: Misalignment- Cortex M4 vs M0

CORTEX M4 CORTEX M0

```
p1.x = sizeof(Point);
     0x4a: 0x4811
                                        RO, [PC, #0x44]
                             LDR.N
     0 \times 4 c : 0 \times 2103
                             MOVS
                                        R1, #3
     0x4e: 0xf8a0 0x1001
                            STRH.W
                                        R1, [R0, #0x1]
p1.v = 'C';
                                        R1, #67
     0x52: 0x2143
                             MOVS
                                        R1, [R0]
     0x54: 0x7001
                             STRB
```

```
p1.x = sizeof(Point);
     0x4a: 0x4812
                          LDR.N
                                     RO, [PC, #0x48]
     0x4c: 0x2103
                           MOVS
                                     R1, #3
                                     R1, [R0, #0x1]
                           STRB
     0x4e: 0x7041
                                     R1, R1, #8
     0x50: 0x0a09
                           LSRS
                                     R1, [R0, #0x2]
     0x52: 0x7081
                           STRB
p1.y = 'C';
     0x54: 0x2143
                           MOVS
                                     R1, #67
     0x56: 0x7001
                           STRB
                                     R1, [R0]
```

## Why Padding?

- •The code for the assignment of p1.x is bigger on Cortex M0 than Cortex M4.
- •The compiled code for Cortex-M0 consists of two STRB instructions plus a logical-shift-right instruction; whereas Cortex-M4 achieved the same effect with just one STRH instruction.
- •While Cortex-M0 has the STRH instruction; unlike on Cortex-M4, it cannot access a half-word allocated at an odd address.
- •The compiler prefers to keep the data aligned instead of wasting the CPU cycles to access the mis-aligned data.
- •Note: Packed structures might not be always be as efficient to access as an un-packed structures.

### Nested structures

```
typedef struct {
                                                                Rectangle s1, s2;
   uint16_t x;
                                                                Triangle t1, t2;
   uint8_t y;
                                                                s1.bottom left.x = 1;
 } Point;
                                                                s1.bottom_left.y = 1;
                                                                s1.top_right.x = 5;
typedef struct {
                                                                s1.top\ right.y = 5;
   Point bottom left;
   Point top_right;
                                                                t1.corners[0].x = 1;
 } Rectangle;
                                                                t1.corners[0].y = 1;
                                                                t1.corners[1].x = 3;
typedef struct {
                                                                t1.corners[1].y = 4;
   Point corners[3];
 } Triangle;
                                                                t1.corners[2].x = 5;
                                                                t1.corners[2].y = 1;
```

### Pointers to structures

Complex structures can occupy considerable memory.

So structure assignment can mean copying a large size of memory from one variable to another.

It is more efficient to use "pointers" to structures and avoid copying structures where ever possible.

```
typedef struct {
   uint16_t x;
   uint8_t y;
 } Point;
 Point p1;
 p1.x = sizeof(Point);
 P1.y = 42;
 Point *p3;
 p3 = & p1;
 p3->x = p1.x;
```

## Access in assembly

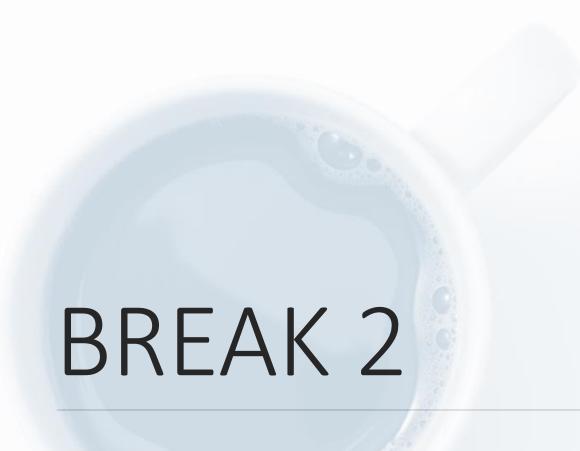
The compiler accesses the structure by using the offset addressing from the beginning of the structure.

```
pl.x = sizeof(Point);
0x800'004a · 0x4814
                               LDR.N
                                           RO, [PC, #0x50]
0x800'004c: 0x2104
                               MOVS
                                           R1, #4
0x800'004e: 0x8041
                               STRH
                                           R1, [R0, #0x2]
 p1.y = 'C';
0 \times 800' \cdot 0050 \cdot 0 \times 2143
                               MOVS
                                           R1, #67
0x800'0052: 0x7001
                               STRB
                                           R1, [R0]
```



## Demo - Structures

- 1. Nested Structures.
- 2. Pointers to Structures.
- 3. View data member access in disassembly.



### **CMSIS**

- -What is CMSIS
- -CMSIS Standardization
- -Organization of CMSIS-Core
- -How to use CMSIS?
- -GPIO\_TypeDef structure
- -Demo: Blinking LED using CMSIS

## Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard (CMSIS)

- •With a significant amount of hardware components being identical, a large portion of the Hardware Abstraction Layer (HAL) can also be identical.
- •However, reality has shown that lacking a common standard we find a variety of HAL/driver libraries for different devices that do the same thing.
- •ARM has recognized that there is a need to create a standard to access these hardware components and put effort into a standard.
- •The result of that effort is CMSIS.

## Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard (CMSIS)

- •The CMSIS is a vendor-independent hardware abstraction layer for microcontrollers that are based on Arm Cortex processors.
- •CMSIS is a framework that is implemented by vendors.
  - It provides a common API (Application Programming Interface) for core specific components.
  - And defines convention on how the device specific portions should be implemented.
- •In general, most microcontroller vendors provide C header files and driver libraries for their microcontrollers.
- •In most cases, these files are developed with the Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard (CMSIS).
- CMSIS enables the use of structures to access hardware in Cortex-M microcontrollers.

## Benefits of CMSIS

- ➤ Portability between Cortex-M microcontroller-based devices.
  - Peripheral setup and access code will need to be modified, but processor core access functions are based on the same CMSIS source code and do not require changes.
- ➤ Reduces the learning curve for microcontroller developers
- Improves time to market.
- Tested by many silicon vendors and software developers

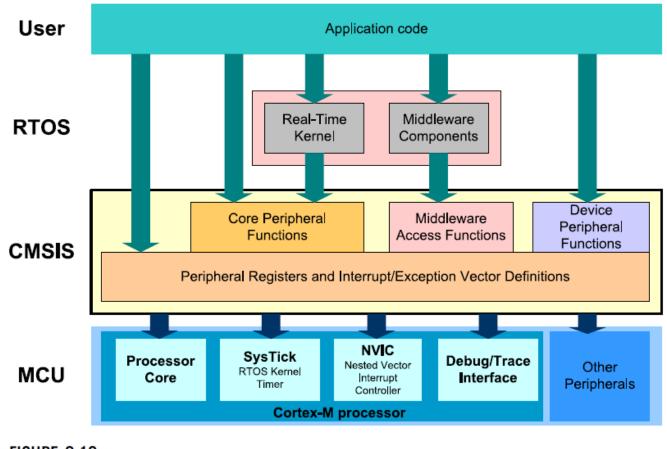
## CMSIS Standardization

The CMSIS-Core standardizes a number of areas:

- >Standard definitions for the processor's peripherals.
- ➤ Standard functions for accessing special instructions easily.
- ➤ Standard function names for system exception handlers
- ➤ Standard functions for system initialization
- ➤ Standard software variables for clock speed information

## Organization of CMSIS

- •The CMSIS files are integrated into device-driver library packages from microcontroller vendors.
- Some are prepared by ARM and are common to various microcontroller vendors (ex: core\_cm4.h)
- Other files are vendor/device specific ("stm32f401xe.h" & "system\_stm32f4xx.h")
- •The aim of CMSIS is to provide a common starting point, and the microcontroller vendors can add additional functions if they prefer.
- •Software using these added functions will need porting if the software design is to be reused on another microcontroller product.



## Core Structure

Source: "The Definitive guide to ARM Cortex-M3 & M4 Processors", by Joseph Yiu

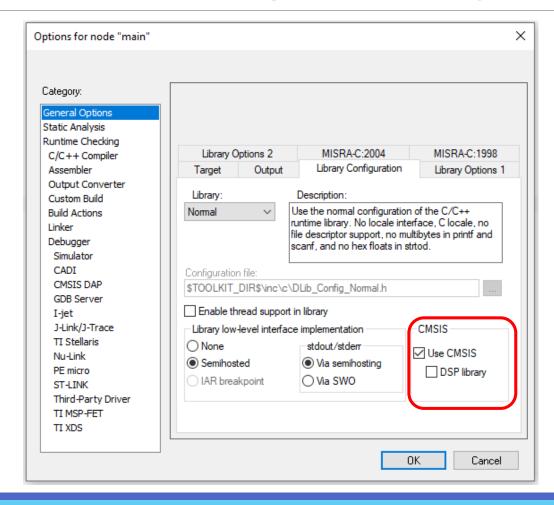
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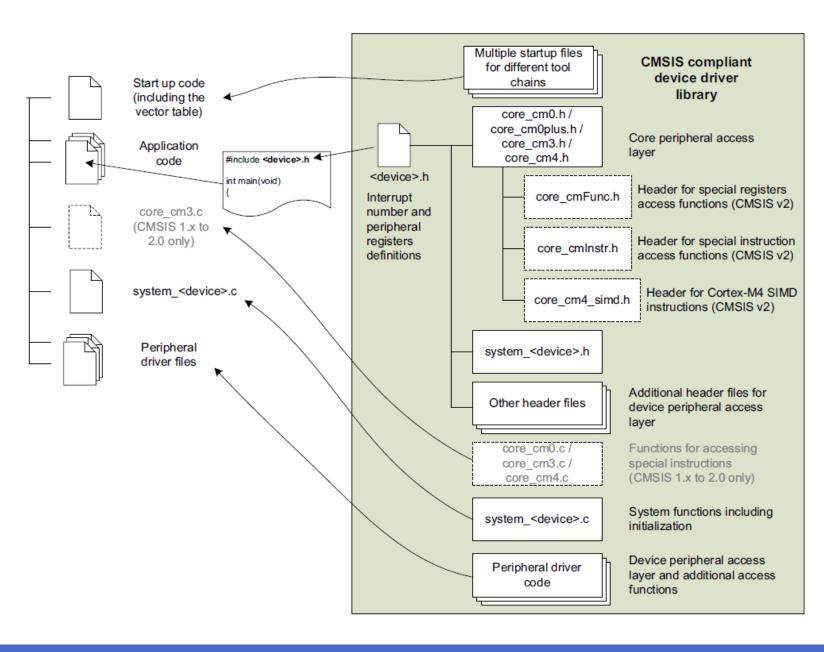
CMSIS-Core structure

## How to use CMSIS - Setup

- •Get the <device.h> header file for your board "stm32f401xe.h"
  - Contains peripheral registers definitions and interrupt assignment definitions.
- •Get the "system\_<device>.h" header file for your board "system\_stm32f4xx.h"
  - Contains functions in device initialization code
- •Include the device-specific header file in your application code, which will automatically include additional header files
- •Therefore, you will need to set up the project search path for the header files in order to compile the project correctly.
- •IAR provides the ability to do that with one click which provides a pointer to the path of the CMSIS header files that came with the IDE.
- •One of those files is the **core\_cm4.h** header file
  - This is part of the CMSIS industry standard and is a generic file for all microcontroller vendors.
  - IAR distributes it as an integral part of the toolset.

## Enable CMSIS usage in Project Options





# CMSIS use in a project

#### **Key files:**

- <device>.h
- system\_<device>.h
- core cm4.h

<u>Source:</u> "The Definitive guide to ARM Cortex-M3 & M4 Processors", by Joseph Yiu

## GPIO\_TypeDef structure

#### STM32F401 – REFERENCE MANUAL

#### STM32F401XE.H (<DEVICE.H> CMSIS FILE)

```
✓ □ 8.4 GPIO registers

      8.4.1 GPIO port mode register
          (GPIOx MODER) (x = A...E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.2 GPIO port output type register
          (GPIOx_OTYPER) (x = A...E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.3 GPIO port output speed register
          (GPIOx OSPEEDR) (x = A...E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.4 GPIO port pull-up/pull-down register
          (GPIOx PUPDR) (x = A..E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.5 GPIO port input data register
          (GPIOx IDR) (x = A..E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.6 GPIO port output data register
          (GPIOx ODR) (x = A...E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.7 GPIO port bit set/reset register
          (GPIOx_BSRR) (x = A..E and H)
      8.4.8 GPIO port configuration lock register
          (GPIOx LCKR) (x = A..E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.9 GPIO alternate function low register
          (GPIOx AFRL) (x = A..E \text{ and } H)
      8.4.10 GPIO alternate function high register
          (GPIOx AFRH) (x = A...E \text{ and } H)
```

```
stm32f401xe.h x
   277 🖹 /**
           * @brief General Purpose I/O
   278
   279
   280
   281
         typedef struct
   282
                                   /*!< GPIO port mode register,
   283
           IO uint32 t MODER;
                                                                                Address offset: 0x00
                                                                                                          */
   284
           IO uint32 t OTYPER;
                                                                                Address offset: 0x04
                                                                                                          */
                                   /*!< GPIO port output type register,</pre>
                                   /*!< GPIO port output speed register,
                                                                                Address offset: 0x08
                                                                                                          */
            IO uint32 t OSPEEDR;
            IO uint32_t PUPDR;
                                   /*!< GPIO port pull-up/pull-down register, Address offset: 0x0C
                                                                                                          */
   287
           IO uint32 t IDR;
                                   /*!< GPIO port input data register,
                                                                                Address offset: 0x10
                                                                                                          */
                                                                                Address offset: 0x14
            IO uint32_t ODR;
                                   /*!< GPIO port output data register,</pre>
                                                                                                          */
   289
           IO uint32 t BSRR;
                                   /*!< GPIO port bit set/reset register,
                                                                                Address offset: 0x18
                                                                                                          */
   290
            IO uint32 t LCKR;
                                   /*!< GPIO port configuration lock register, Address offset: 0x1C
                                                                                                          */
   291
            IO uint32 t AFR[2];
                                   /*!< GPIO alternate function registers,
                                                                                Address offset: 0x20-0x24 */
   292
           GPIO TypeDef;
   203
```

**GPIO\_TypeDef** is a C structure designed in such a way that its data members correspond to all the registers within a given hardware block, such as the GPIO Registers.

## GPIO\_TypeDef structure

```
typedef struct
   __IO uint32_t MODER;
                          /*!< GPIO port mode register,</pre>
                                                                        Address offset: 0x00
                                                                        Address offset: 0x04
   __IO uint32_t OTYPER;
                         /*!< GPIO port output type register,</pre>
   __IO uint32_t OSPEEDR; /*!< GPIO port output speed register,
                                                                        Address offset: 0x08
                                                                                                   */
   __IO uint32_t PUPDR;
                         /*!< GPIO port pull-up/pull-down register, Address offset: 0x0C
                          /*!< GPIO port input data register,</pre>
                                                                        Address offset: 0x10
   __IO uint32_t IDR;
   __IO uint32_t ODR;
                          /*!< GPIO port output data register,</pre>
                                                                        Address offset: 0x14
                          /*!< GPIO port bit set/reset register,
                                                                        Address offset: 0x18
   __IO uint32_t BSRR;
   __ IO uint32_t LCKR;
                          /*!< GPIO port configuration lock register, Address offset: 0x1C
   __IO uint32_t AFR[2]; /*!< GPIO alternate function registers,
                                                                        Address offset: 0x20-0x24 */

    } GPIO TypeDef;
```

- •Since all registers are 32-bit wide, the struct uses uint32\_t datatype for its members.
- The \_\_IO, \_\_I, and \_\_O identifiers are preprocessor macros defined in the Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard (CMSIS), which the "core\_cm4.h" header file is part of.
- •\_\_IO == Read/Write
- •\_\_I == Read-Only
- •\_\_O == Write-Only

## GPIO\_TypeDef structure

- Need to make sure that the GPIO structure is at the right base address.
- •We have only created instances of Point, Rectangle, and Triangle structures, where the compiler controlled their placement in memory.
- •Similar to type casting the GPIO addresses to pointers, we can use pointers to structures initialized to the hard-coded base address for that GPIO.
- •This is what is done in the "stm32f401xe.h" header:
  - #define GPIOA ((GPIO\_TypeDef \*) GPIOA\_BASE)
- •The GPIOA macro defines a pointer to the GPIO\_TypeDef structure, which is hard-coded to the GPIO\_BASE address.

## Replace registers with structures

- 1. Replace every register access using the structure pointer form.
- 2. For example, to replace the first register access:
  - 1. Take the RCC pointer and append the member access operator.
  - 2. IAR will help with intelli-sense displaying all the members of this structure.
  - 3. Choose the appropriate register from the list.
- 3. The same for the other registers (Assignment).

```
void delay(unsigned int iteration);
void delay(unsigned int iteration)
  while (iteration > 0)
    iteration--;
// RCC Base Address: 0x40023800
// RCC AHB1 peripheral clock enable register (RCC AHB1ENR)
// Address offset: 0x30
// Set bit[0] to 1
// 1. Enable clock to Peripheral
*((unsigned int*)(0x40023800+0x30)) |= 0x1;
// GPIOA Base Address: 0x40020000
// GPIO port mode register (GPIOx_MODER) (x = A..E and H)
// Address offset: 0x00
// Set bit[11:10] to 0x01 so --> 0x400 // To enable Port5 as output
*((unsigned int*)(0x40020000+0x00)) | = 0x400;
// GPIOA Base Address: 0x40020000
// GPIO port output data register (GPIOx ODR) (x = A...E and H)
// Address offset: 0x14
// Set bit[5] to 1 --> 0x20; // Turn LED ON
// Set bit[5] to 0 --> 0x00; // Turn LED OFF
while(1)
    delay(1000000);
    *((unsigned int*)(0x40020000+0x14)) |= (1<<5);
    delay(1000000);
    *((unsigned int*)(0x40020000+0x14)) &= ~(1<<5);
```

## Demo – Blinking LED using CMSIS

- 1. Create a new project
- 2. Bring in the files "stm32f401xe.h" & "system\_stm32f4xx.h"
- 3. Show compiler failures
- 4. Enable use of CMSIS in project
- 5. Add code for Blinking LED using GPIO addresses type-casted to pointers (as shown here)
- Convert usage of type-casted addresses to CMSIS structures

## To learn more about CMSIS

- https://developer.arm.com/tools-and-software/embedded/cmsis
- ► https://github.com/ARM-software/CMSIS 5

https://www.st.com/en/embedded-software/stm32-standard-peripheral-libraries.html



## Assignment 06

## Suggested Reading

#### - "The Cortex-M4 Device Generic User Guide"

- 2.6: Data types in C programming
- 2.9: The Cortex microcontroller software interface standard

#### - "The Definitive Guide to ARM Cortex M3 & M4" by Joseph Yiu (Third Edition)

- Chapter 2.9: The Cortex microcontroller software interface standard (CMSIS)

#### - "An Embedded Software Primer" by David E. Simon

- Chapter 5: Survey of Software Architecture
- Chapter 6.1: Tasks & Task State
- Chapter 6.2: Tasks & Data