# CENG 355 Microprocessor-Based Systems Lab Project

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# 1 Problem description

The purpose of this lab is to design an embedded system to create an open-loop control system, where the position of a potentiometer is measured and a frequency dependent on the measured resistance, with the frequency produced through a 555 timer-based circuit. Systems and components in this lab include embedded programming of an STM32F0 Discovery board, electrical circuit design of the variable-frequency 555 timer-based astable circuit, digital-to-analog and analog-to-digital converters, and SPI for inter-IC communication between the microprocessor and the LCD board.

## 2 Design Solution

#### 2.1 Planning

#### 2.1.1 Work Partitioning

Based on experience from the first lab, and personal preference, lab work was partitioned accordingly. The project was split into the embedded programming and accessory circuit design/implementation, where the majority of the embedded programming was assigned to Tayler Mulligan and the accessory timer circuit to Raymond Bamford. The partitioning was not strict, with members collaborating where necessary or convenient.

#### 2.1.2 Technique and Technologies

Git and GithHub were utilized for the project to provide team access and syncing between lab computers (see https://github.com/tamul/ceng355-lab-project). The source code was split into three files: main.c (see A.1), containing the main program; analog.c (see A.2), containing ADC, DAC, and frequency monitoring code; and lcd.c (see A.3), containing code related to the LCD; each with corresponding header files.

#### 2.2 Implementation

The main program called functions provided by analog.h and lcd.h to sequentially initialize each component. Components were initialized in the order of: the ADC, the DAC, the LCD, and the frequency monitor.

#### 2.2.1 ADC Initialization

Initialization of the ADC requires initialization of the GPIOC interface (to control the POT\_EN signal of the Project Board), GPIOC (to read the potentiometer value), and the ADC. The C code in Listing 1 comprises the initialization of the GPIOC register for the ADC.

```
Listing 1: GPIO configuration for ADC

/* Enable clock for GPIOC */
RCC->AHBENR |= RCC_AHBENR_GPIOCEN;

/* Configure PC1 as push-pull output */
GPIOC->MODER |= GPIO_MODER_MODER1_O;
GPIOC->OTYPER &= ~GPIO_OTYPER_OT_1;
/* Ensure high-speed mode for PC1 */
GPIOC->OSPEEDR |= GPIO_OSPEEDR_OSPEEDR1;
/* Disable any pull up/down resistors on PC1 */
GPIOC->PUPDR &= ~GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR1;

/* Configure PAO as an analog pin */
GPIOA->MODER |= GPIO_MODER_MODERO;
```

Firstly, the GPIOC clock is ensured to be running, followed by configuration of the pins. The pins are put in a push-pull output configuration at the highest speed, without any pull-up or pull-down resistors. The GPIOA clock is guaranteed to be running as the communication between the computer and STM32 micro are over the parallel A ports. The PA0 pin is set to "analog" mode.

#### Listing 2: ADC configuration

```
/* Enable the HSI14 (ADC async) clock */
50
            RCC->CR |= RCC_CR_HSION;
            RCC->APB2ENR |= RCC_APB2ENR_ADCEN;
            /* Start up the ADC */
            ADC1->CR = ADC_CR_ADEN;
55
            /* ---- Configure the ADC ---- */
            /* Set the ADC clock to the dedicated clock */
            ADC1->CFGR2 &= ~(0x00);
60
            /* Select the input channel */
            ADC1->CHSELR = ADC_CHSELR_CHSELO;
            /* Set continuous conversion mode */
            ADC1->CFGR1 |= ADC_CFGR1_CONT;
            /* Enable starting with software trigger */
            ADC1->CFGR1 &= ~ADC_CFGR1_EXTEN;
65
            /* Disable auto-off */
            ADC1->CFGR1 &= ~ADC_CFGR1_AUTOFF;
            /* Wait for the ADC to stabilize */
70
            while(!(ADC1->ISR & ADC_ISR_ADRDY));
            /* Start converting the analog input */
            ADC1->CR |= ADC_CR_ADSTART;
```

Next the ADC proper is initialized: the C code in Listing 2 accomplishes this. The HSI14 clock, which supplies the ADC's clock, is enabled and the ADC started in preparation for configuration. Lines 57-68 configure the ADC: setting the clock as the dedicated (HSI14) clock, selecting input channel 0 (corresponding to parallel port A0), continuous conversion mode is enabled to continuously provide the digitized value of the PA0 pin. Finally, the function triggers conversion to start after waiting until the ADC reports that it has stabilized.

## 3 Discussion

### References

# **Appendices**

### A Source Code

#### **A.1**

#### src/main.c

```
// This file is part of the GNU ARM Eclipse distribution.
   // Copyright (c) 2014 Liviu Ionescu.
   // -----
   #include <stdio.h>
   #include <stdlib.h>
   #include "diag/Trace.h"
12 #include "stm32f0xx_conf.h"
   #include "analog.h"
   #include "lcd.h"
   // Sample pragmas to cope with warnings. Please note the related line at
   // the end of this function, used to pop the compiler diagnostics status.
   #pragma GCC diagnostic push
   #pragma GCC diagnostic ignored "-Wunused-parameter"
22 #pragma GCC diagnostic ignored "-Wmissing-declarations"
   #pragma GCC diagnostic ignored "-Wreturn-type"
   int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
     // By customizing __initialize_args() it is possible to pass arguments,
     // for example when running tests with semihosting you can pass various
     // options to the test.
     // trace_dump_args(argc, argv);
     // Send a greeting to the trace device (skipped on Release).
32
     trace_puts("Hello ARM World!");
     // The standard output and the standard error should be forwarded to
     // the trace device. For this to work, a redirection in _write.c is
     // required.
     // At this stage the system clock should have already been configured
     // at high speed.
     trace_printf("System clock: %u Hz\n", SystemCoreClock);
     trace_printf("%s", "Initializing ADC...");
     adc_init();
     adc_enable_pot(1);
     trace_puts("Done");
     trace_printf("%s", "Initializing DAC...");
     dac_init();
```

```
trace_puts("Done");
    trace_printf("%s", "Initializing LCD...");
52
    lcd_init();
    trace_puts("Done");
    trace_printf("%s", "Initializing frequency monitor...");
    freq_init();
    trace_puts("Done");
57
    // Infinite loop, wait for interrupts to do anything
    while (1) {
62
    // Infinite loop, never return.
  return 0;
67 #pragma GCC diagnostic pop
   // -----
```

#### include/analog.h

```
# #ifndef __ANALOG_H__
#define __ANALOG_H__
   #include <stdio.h>
   #include <stdlib.h>
   #include "stm32f0xx_conf.h"
   /* No prescaler on timer 2 */
   #define TIM2_PRESCALER ((uint16_t)0x0000)
11 /* Maximum possible setting for auto-reload */
   #define TIM2_AUTORELOAD_DELAY ((uint32_t)0xFFFFFFF)
   /* 48MHz clock speed */
   #define TIMER_CLOCK_FREQ ((uint32_t)48000000)
16 /* Wiring:
          Potentiometer/ADC:
                   - ADC input POT M20 -> PA0
                    - POT_EN M32 -> PC1
           DAC:
21
                   - DAC output is PA4
           Freq. Measurement:
                    - Input is PA1
    */
26 void adc_init(void);
   void dac_init(void);
   void freq_init(void);
   /* Enable or disable the potentiometer value line
31
  * Inputs:
           state: 1 for enable 0 for disable
    */
   void adc_enable_pot(uint8_t state);
36 /* Read the current value for the potentiometer
    * If POT ENABLE is not high this will return garbage results
    * Outputs:
           uint16_t: right-aligned 12-bit ADC value
    */
41 uint16_t adc_read(void);
   /* Write the output value of the DAC
    * Inputs:
           uint16_t value: 12-bit right-aligned value to set
   void dac_write(uint16_t value);
   /* Returns the current input frequency
    * Outputs:
51
          float: current frequency in Hz
    */
   uint32_t period_to_freq(uint32_t count);
```

```
#endif // __ANALOG_H__
                                          src/analog.c
   #include "analog.h"
   #include "diag/Trace.h"
   #include "lcd.h"
   #define UPDATE_DELAY (800000)
   static uint16_t first_edge = 1;
   static uint16_t adc_value;
   uint16_t adc_read(void) {
            return ADC1->DR;
   }
15 void adc_enable_pot(uint8_t state) {
            if (state) {
                    GPIOC -> BSRR = GPIO_BSRR_BS_1;
            }
            else {
20
                    GPIOC->BRR = GPIO_BRR_BR_1;
            }
   }
   void dac_write(uint16_t value) {
25
            /* Write the provided value to the 12-bit right-aligned DAC input */
            DAC->DHR12R1 = (value & DAC_DHR12R1_DACC1DHR);
   }
   uint32_t period_to_freq(uint32_t count) {
30
            return (TIMER_CLOCK_FREQ)/count;
   /* Initialize the ADC
35 void adc_init(void) {
            /* Enable clock for GPIOC */
            RCC->AHBENR |= RCC_AHBENR_GPIOCEN;
            /* Configure PC1 as push-pull output */
            GPIOC -> MODER |= GPIO_MODER_MODER1_0;
40
            GPIOC -> OTYPER &= ~GPIO_OTYPER_OT_1;
            /* Ensure high-speed mode for PC1 */
            GPIOC->OSPEEDR |= GPIO_OSPEEDR_OSPEEDR1;
            /* Disable any pull up/down resistors on PC1 */
45
            GPIOC -> PUPDR &= ~GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR1;
            /* Configure PAO as an analog pin */
            GPIOA -> MODER |= GPIO_MODER_MODERO;
50
            /* Enable the HSI14 (ADC async) clock */
            RCC->CR |= RCC_CR_HSION;
            RCC->APB2ENR |= RCC_APB2ENR_ADCEN;
            /* Start up the ADC */
```

```
ADC1->CR = ADC_CR_ADEN;
55
             /* ---- Configure the ADC ---- */
             /* Set the ADC clock to the dedicated clock */
            ADC1 -> CFGR2 &= ~(0x00);
60
             /* Select the input channel */
            ADC1->CHSELR = ADC_CHSELR_CHSELO;
             /* Set continuous conversion mode */
            ADC1->CFGR1 |= ADC_CFGR1_CONT;
             /* Enable starting with software trigger */
            ADC1->CFGR1 &= ~ADC_CFGR1_EXTEN;
65
            /* Disable auto-off */
ADC1->CFGR1 &= ~ADC_CFGR1_AUTOFF;
             /* -----*/
70
             /* Wait for the ADC to stabilize */
             while(!(ADC1->ISR & ADC_ISR_ADRDY));
             /* Start converting the analog input */
            ADC1->CR |= ADC_CR_ADSTART;
    }
75
    /* Initialize the DAC
     */
    void dac_init(void) {
             /* Set PA4 (DAC output) as analog output pin */
            GPIOA -> MODER = GPIO_MODER_MODER4;
80
             /* Set PA4 to open drain */
            GPIOA -> OTYPER = GPIO_OTYPER_OT_4;
             /* Disable pull up/down resistors on PA4 */
            GPIOA->PUPDR &= ~GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR4;
             /* Set PA4 to high-speed mode */
85
             GPIOA -> OSPEEDR |= GPIO_OSPEEDR_OSPEEDR4;
             /* Enable the DAC clock */
            RCC->APB1ENR |= RCC_APB1ENR_DACEN;
90
             /* Enable the DAC (with output buffering and auto-triggering */
            DAC->CR = DAC_CR_EN1;
    }
    void freq_init(void) {
95
            /* Enable the GPIOA clock */
            RCC->AHBENR |= RCC_AHBENR_GPIOAEN;
            /* Configure PA1 as an input */
             GPIOA -> MODER &= ~(GPIO_MODER_MODER1);
             /* Ensure no pull up/down for PA1 */
100
            GPIOA -> PUPDR &= ~(GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR1);
             /* Enable the TIM2 clock */
            RCC->APB1ENR |= RCC_APB1ENR_TIM2EN;
             /* Configure TIM2 with buffer auto-reload, count up,
105
             * stop on overflow, enable update events, and interrupt
             * on overflow only
             */
            TIM2 -> CR1 = 0x8C;
110
             /* Set clock prescaler value */
            TIM2->PSC = TIM2_PRESCALER;
            /* Set auto-reload delay */
```

```
TIM2->ARR = TIM2_AUTORELOAD_DELAY;
             /* Set timer update configuration (rising edge, etc.) */
115
             TIM2 -> EGR = (TIM2 -> EGR & ~0x5F) | (0x1 & 0x5F);
             /* Assign TIM2 interrupt priority 0 in NVIC */
             NVIC_SetPriority(TIM2_IRQn, 0);
             /* Enable TIM2 interrupts in NVIC */
120
             NVIC_EnableIRQ(TIM2_IRQn);
             /* Enable update interrupt generation */
             TIM2 \rightarrow DIER \mid = 0x41;
             /* Map EXTI1 line to PA1 */
125
             SYSCFG \rightarrow EXTICR[0] = (SYSCFG \rightarrow EXTICR[0] & ``(OxF)) | (O & OxF);
             /* EXTI1 line interrupts: set rising-edge trigger */
             EXTI -> RTSR \mid = 0x2;
130
             /* Unmask interrupts from EXTI1 line */
             EXTI \rightarrow IMR \mid = 0x2:
             /* Assign EXTI1 interrupt priority 0 in NVIC */
             NVIC_SetPriority(EXTIO_1_IRQn, 0);
             /* Enable EXTI1 interrupts in the NVIC */
             NVIC_EnableIRQ(EXTIO_1_IRQn);
    }
    void TIM2_IRQHandler() {
140
             /* Check if update interrupt flag is set */
             if (TIM2->SR & TIM_SR_UIF) {
                      trace_printf("\n*** Overflow! ***\n");
                      /* Clear update interrupt flag */
                      TIM2 \rightarrow SR \mid = 0x1;
145
                      /* Restart stopped timer */
                      TIM2 -> CR1 \mid = 0x1;
             }
    }
150
    void EXTIO_1_IRQHandler() {
             /* Check if EXTI1 interrupt pending flag is set */
             // Disable interrupts while servicing
             NVIC_DisableIRQ(EXTIO_1_IRQn);
155
             if (EXTI->PR & EXTI_PR_PR1) {
                      if (first_edge) {
                               first_edge = 0;
                               /* Reset current timer count */
                               TIM2 \rightarrow CNT = 0;
160
                               /* Start the timer */
                               TIM2 \rightarrow CR1 \mid = 0x1;
                      } else {
                               /* Stop the timer */
                               TIM2 \rightarrow CR1 \&= ~0x1;
165
                               /* Read the current timer count */
                               uint32_t count = TIM2->CNT;
                               uint32_t freq_value = period_to_freq(count);
                               char* freq_ascii = num_to_ascii(freq_value);
170
                               // Write the frequency value to the LCD
```

```
lcd_cmd(0x82); // Set address to 02
                          for (int i = MAX_DIGITS-1; i >= 0; i--){
                                  lcd_char(*(freq_ascii + i));
175
                          // Here we want to obtain the resistance, send the result to the {\tt DAC}
                          // and print it to the LCD. A short wait time will also be added so the display
                          adc_value = adc_read();
                          // Get the string for resistance rounded to the 100th
                          dac_write(adc_value); // Send value of ADC to DAC
180
                          // Write the resistance value to the {\tt LCD}
                          lcd_cmd(0xC2); // Set address to h42
                          for (int i = MAX_DIGITS-1; i >= 0; i--) {
                                  lcd_char(*(resistance_ascii + i));
185
                          TIM3->CNT = UPDATE_DELAY;
                          TIM3 -> CR1 \mid = 0x1;
                          while(TIM3->CNT > 1);
190
                          first_edge = 1;
                   }
                   /* Clear the interrupt flag */
                   EXTI->PR = EXTI_PR_PR1;
195
           NVIC_EnableIRQ(EXTIO_1_IRQn);
    }
```

#### **A.3**

```
include/lcd.h
   #ifndef __LCD_H__
2 #define __LCD_H__
   #include "stm32f0xx_conf.h"
   #define MAX_DIGITS (4)
   /* Maximum required delay between SPI writes */
   #define MAX_DELAY ((uint32_t)96000)
   /* Delay between characters */
   #define CHAR_DELAY ((uint32_t)4800)
   /** Wiring
    * PC2 - LCK -> M25
    * PB5 - MOSI -> M17
    * PB3 - SCK -> M21
   void lcd_init(void);
   void lcd_clear(void);
   void lcd_cmd(uint8_t data);
   void lcd_char(char c);
27 char* num_to_ascii(uint32_t num);
   #endif //__LCD_H__
                                           src/lcd.c
1 #include "lcd.h"
   #define LCD_BAUD_RATE_PRESCALER (16)
   /* No prescaler on timer 3 */
6 #define TIM3_PRESCALER ((uint16_t)0x0000)
   /* Maximum possible setting for auto-reload */
   #define TIM3_AUTORELOAD_DELAY ((uint32_t)0xFFFFFFFF)
   /* 48MHz clock speed */
   #define TIMER_CLOCK_FREQ ((uint32_t)48000000)
   /* Output data to the shift register through SPI */
   void spi_write(uint8_t, uint32_t delay);
   void lcd_init(void) {
16
           /* Enable SPI1 clock */
           RCC->APB2ENR |= RCC_APB2ENR_SPI1EN;
           /* Enable GPIOB clock */
           RCC->AHBENR |= RCC_AHBENR_GPIOBEN;
           /* Enable GPIOC clock */
21
           RCC->AHBENR |= RCC_AHBENR_GPIOCEN;
```

```
/* Set PC2 to output */
            GPIOC->MODER = (GPIOC->MODER & ~GPIO_MODER_MODER2) | (GPIO_MODER_MODER2 & GPIO_MODER_MODER2_0)
            /* Set PB3 to alternate function */
26
            GPIOB->MODER = (GPIOB->MODER & ~GPIO_MODER_MODER3) | (GPIO_MODER_MODER3 & GPIO_MODER_MODER3_1)
            GPIOB -> AFR[0] &= ~GPIO_AFRL_AFR3;
            /* Set PB5 to alternate function */
            GPIOB->MODER = (GPIOB->MODER & ~GPIO_MODER_MODER5) | (GPIO_MODER_MODER5 & GPIO_MODER_MODER5_1)
            GPIOB -> AFR [0] &= ~GPIO_AFRL_AFR5;
31
            /* Set PC2, PB3, PB5 to push-pull mode */
            GPIOC ->OTYPER &= ~GPIO_OTYPER_OT_2;
            GPIOB->OTYPER &= ~GPIO_OTYPER_OT_3;
            GPIOB->OTYPER &= ~GPIO_OTYPER_OT_5;
36
            /* Disable pull up/down resistors on SPI pins */
            GPIOB -> PUPDR &= ~GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR3;
            GPIOB->PUPDR &= ~GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR5;
GPIOC->PUPDR &= ~GPIO_PUPDR_PUPDR2;
41
            /* Set SPI pins to high-speed */
            GPIOB -> OSPEEDR |= GPIO_OSPEEDR_OSPEEDR3;
            GPIOB -> OSPEEDR |= GPIO_OSPEEDR_OSPEEDR5;
            GPIOC->OSPEEDR |= GPIO_OSPEEDR_OSPEEDR2;
46
            /* Initialize TIM3 */
            /* Enable the TIM3 clock */
            RCC->APB1ENR |= RCC_APB1ENR_TIM3EN;
            /* Configure TIM3 with buffer auto-reload, count down,
51
             * stop on overflow, and only interrupt on overflow
             */
            TIM3 \rightarrow CR1 = 0xC6;
            /* Set clock prescaler value */
            TIM3->PSC = TIM3_PRESCALER;
56
            /* Set auto-reload delay */
            TIM3->ARR = TIM3_AUTORELOAD_DELAY;
            /* Set timer update configuration (rising edge, etc.) */
            TIM3 -> EGR = (TIM2 -> EGR & ~Ox5F) | (Ox1 & Ox5F);
            /* Load delay value */
61
            TIM3->CNT = MAX_DELAY;
            TIM3->CR1 \mid = 0x1;
            /* Initialize SPI */
            SPI_InitTypeDef SPI_InitStructInfo = {
66
                             .SPI_Direction = SPI_Direction_1Line_Tx,
                             .SPI_Mode = SPI_Mode_Master,
                             .SPI_DataSize = SPI_DataSize_8b,
                             .SPI_CPOL = SPI_CPOL_Low,
                             .SPI_CPHA = SPI_CPHA_1Edge,
71
                             .SPI_NSS = SPI_NSS_Soft,
                             .SPI_BaudRatePrescaler = SPI_BaudRatePrescaler_256,
                             .SPI_FirstBit = SPI_FirstBit_MSB,
                             .SPI_CRCPolynomial = 7
76
            SPI_Init(SPI1, &SPI_InitStructInfo);
            SPI_Cmd(SPI1, ENABLE);
            /* Set the LCD to 4 bit interface */
```

```
spi_write(0x02, MAX_DELAY);
81
             spi_write(0x82, MAX_DELAY);
             spi_write(0x02, MAX_DELAY);
             /* Set LCD to display 2 lines */
86
            1cd_cmd(0x28);
             /* Clear the LCD */
            lcd_cmd(0x01);
            /* Home the cursor */
91
            1cd_cmd(0x02);
            /st Set cursor move direction and disable display shift st/
            lcd_cmd(0x06);
             /st Set the display on, don't show the cursor, don't blink st/
            lcd_cmd(0x0C);
96
             /* Set the cursor to move right, no display shift */
            lcd_cmd(0x14);
                             Hz' to first line */
             /* Write 'F:
            lcd_cmd(0x80); // Start at very left
101
            lcd_char('F'); //F
            lcd_char(':'); //:
            lcd_cmd(0x86);
            lcd_char('H'); //H
             lcd_char('z'); //z
106
                            Oh' to second line*/
             /* Write 'R:
            lcd\_cmd(0xC0); // set address to second line, first character
            lcd_char('R'); //R
            lcd_char(':'); //:
            lcd_cmd(0xC6);
111
             lcd_char('0');
            lcd_char('h');
116~{\rm void~spi\_write(uint8\_t~data,~uint32\_t~delay)} {
            /* Wait until SPI delay has passed */
            while (TIM3->CNT > ((MAX_DELAY+1) - delay));
            /* Force LCK low */
            GPIOC->BRR |= GPIO_BRR_BR_2;
121
            /* Wait until SPI1 is ready */
            while((SPI1->SR & SPI_SR_BSY) && ~(SPI1->SR & SPI_SR_TXE));
            /* Send the data */
            SPI_SendData8(SPI1, data);
             /* Wait until SPI1 is not busy */
126
            while(SPI1->SR & SPI_SR_BSY);
             /* Force LCK signal to 1 */
            GPIOC->BSRR |= GPIO_BSRR_BS_2;
            /* Reset LCD comm clock */
            TIM3->CNT = MAX_DELAY;
131
            TIM3 -> CR1 \mid = 0x1;
    }
     * Write to LCD using 4 bit interface. Send 4 high bits
    * by pulsing EN, then do the same for 4 low bits
    void lcd_cmd(uint8_t data) {
```

```
/* Send HIGH bits */
              spi_write(0x00 | (data >> 4), MAX_DELAY);
spi_write(0x80 | (data >> 4), MAX_DELAY);
spi_write(0x00 | (data >> 4), MAX_DELAY);
141
              /* Send LOW bits */
              spi_write(0x00 | (data & 0x0F), MAX_DELAY);
              spi_write(0x80 | (data & 0x0F), MAX_DELAY);
146
              spi_write(0x00 | (data & 0x0F), MAX_DELAY);
     /** Write a character to the LCD
     * Inputs:
     * c: Character to write
     */
     void lcd_char(char c) {
              /* Send HIGH bits */
              spi_write(0x40 | ((uint8_t)c >> 4), CHAR_DELAY);
156
              spi_write(0xC0 | ((uint8_t)c >> 4), CHAR_DELAY);
              spi_write(0x40 | ((uint8_t)c >> 4), CHAR_DELAY);
              /* Send LOW bits */
              spi_write(0x40 | ((uint8_t)c & 0x0F), CHAR_DELAY);
spi_write(0xC0 | ((uint8_t)c & 0x0F), CHAR_DELAY);
161
              spi_write(0x40 | ((uint8_t)c & 0x0F), CHAR_DELAY);
    }
     /** Convert a number to ASCII digits (max of 4)
166
     * Inputs:
     * num: 32 bit unsigned integer to convert
     * Returns:
     * ASCII encoded digits in LSD first order
     */
171 char* num_to_ascii(uint32_t num) {
              static char ascii[MAX_DIGITS] = {0, 0, 0, 0};
              uint8_t i = 0;
              // Get individual digits (in LSD order)
                       ascii[i++] = ('0' + (char)(num % 10));
176
                       num /= 10;
              } while (num && (i < MAX_DIGITS));</pre>
              // Fill remaining space with blanks
              for (; i < MAX_DIGITS; i++) {</pre>
                       ascii[i] = ';;
181
              return ascii;
    }
```