
Message Queue & Interrupt service

Lab Objectives

- Using message queue API.
- Using message queue with interrupts

2.1 Single Message Queue (Lab2-1)

We want to create 3 tasks. The functions implementing the tasks will be named *Task1()* (priority=2, periodic : 500ms, running on the *Core 1*), *Task2()* (priority=2, , running on the *Core 0*) and *Task3()* (priority=3, , running on the *Core 0*) respectively. *Task1()* will send a number (using a message queue object) to the *Task2()*. Each task displays string to the terminal with *DISPLAY()* or *DISPLAYI()* macros. The detailed behavior of the tasks is described later.

1. Create the « lab2-1_single_msg_queue » lab from « esp32-vscode-project-template » GitHub repository.
2. Copy the provided « my_helper_fct.h » file to the « main » folder.
3. Copy the provided « lab2-1_sdkconfig.defaults » file to the project folder and rename « sdkconfig.defaults ».
4. Append the content of *add_includes.c* file to the start of the *main.c* file.
5. Study the following function : *xQueueSend()*, *xQueueReceive()*. [Web help 1](#), [Web help 2](#)

6. Write the 3 tasks with empty body.
7. Declare the 3 tasks on the `app_main()` function (Best practice : use constants for priorities, stack size, ...).
8. Add the message queue (depth is 5) in the program. The type of the message is `uint32_t`.
9. Write the behavior of the tasks as below :
 - The *Task 3* blocks for 100ms, displays string to the terminal and then simulates a computation of 20ms.

```
// Task blocked during 100 ms
DISPLAY(...);
vTaskDelay(pdMS_TO_TICKS(100));
DISPLAY(...);
// Compute time : 20 ms
COMPUTE_IN_TIME_MS(20);
```

- The *Task 1* should be periodic with a periodicity of 500ms. It posts in a message queue to the *Task 2*, check the result of the post (Failed or posted message), simulates a computation of 40ms and wait for next period. Note that the write function in the queue should not be blocking.

```
// Post
uint32_t result = xQueueSend(...);
// Check result
if (result) ...
// Compute time : 40 ms
COMPUTE_IN_TIME_MS(40);
// block periodically : 500ms
vTaskDelayUntil(...);
```

- The *Task 2* waits for a message through the message queue, displays the task number and message received and then simulates a computation of 30ms.

```
// Wait for message
...
// display task number and message
DISPLAY(...);
// Compute time : 30 ms
COMPUTE_IN_TIME_MS(30);
```

- Don't forget to create a message queue.

10. Build and run the program.
11. Trace in the figure 2.1 the behavior of the 3 tasks until 160 ticks.
12. What is the period of the task 2?

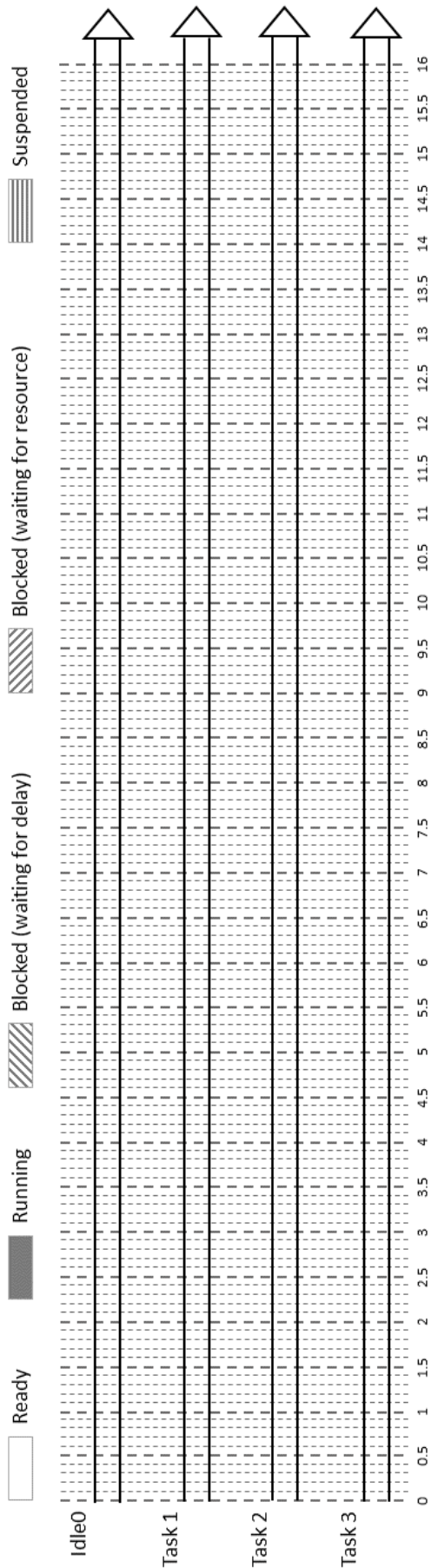


FIGURE 2.1 – Message queue and 3 tasks.

2.2 Message Queue with time out (Lab2-2)

The concept of timeout only applies to blocking system calls. When a task is blocked, it will wake up (go to the ready state) automatically after a period of time called Timeout, even if the expected event has not happened.

- Duplicate the « lab2-1_single_msg_queue » folder to « lab2-2_single_msg_queue_timeout ».
- Force *Task 2* to wake up every 300ms using the Timeout associated with the *xQueueReceive()* function as below.

```
static const char* TAG = "MsgTimeOut";
...
if (xQueueReceive(...)) {
    DISPLAYI(TAG, "Task 2, mess = %d", value);
    COMPUTE_IN_TIME_MS(30);
}
else {
    DISPLAYE(TAG, "Task 2, Timeout!");
    COMPUTE_IN_TIME_MS(10);
}
```

- Build and run the program.
- Trace in the figure 2.3 the behavior of the 3 tasks until 160 ticks.

2.3 Blocking on single Queue (Lab2-3, Optional work)

We want to illustrate the problems of writing/reading queue messages and the impact on the scheduling of tasks. The figure 2.2 illustrates the application. All tasks run on the *Core 0*. The message queue contains items of integer type.

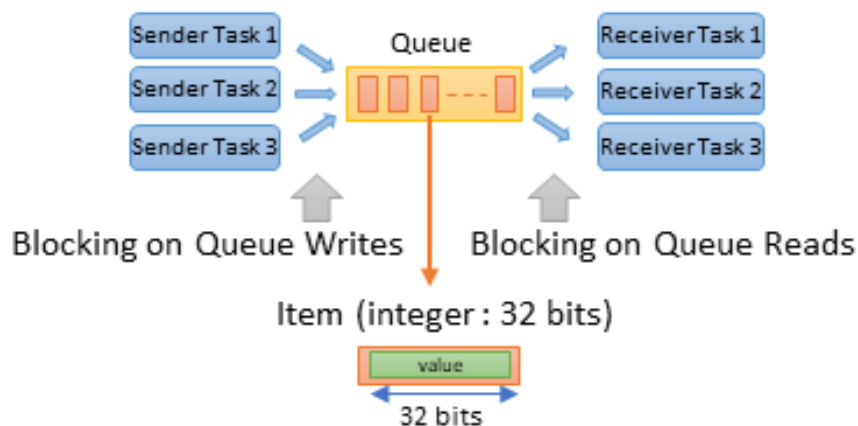


FIGURE 2.2 – Blocking on single queue.

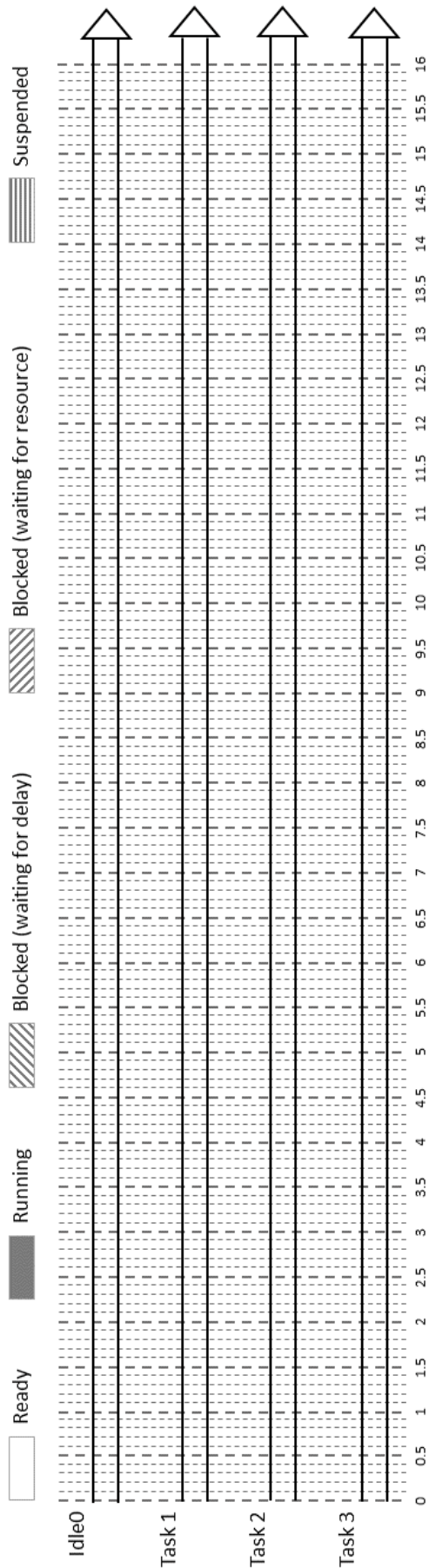


FIGURE 2.3 – Message queue with timeout and 3 tasks.

2.3.1 Blocking on Queue Reads

1. Create the « lab2-3_single_msg_queue_blocked » lab from « esp32-vscode-project-template » GitHub repository.
2. Copy the provided « my_helper_fct.h » file to the « main » folder.
3. Copy the provided « lab2-3_sdkconfig.defaults » file to the project folder and rename « sdkconfig.defaults ».
4. Overwrite the « main.c » file by the provided code of the « lab2-1_main.c » file.
5. Complete the code. For the moment, initialize the constants as below :

```
const uint32_t SENDER_TASK_PRIORITY = 3;
const uint32_t RECEIVER_TASK_PRIORITY = 3;
const uint32_t MESS_QUEUE_MAX_LENGTH = 10;
const uint32_t SENDER_TASK_NUMBER = 3;
const uint32_t RECEIVER_TASK_NUMBER = 3;
```

6. Build and run the program.
7. Explain the behavior.

8. Modify the priority of *receiver task* to 5 and run the program.
9. Explain the new behavior.

10. Modify the priority of *sender task* to 5 and the priority of *receiver task* to 3. Run the program.
11. Explain the new behavior.

2.3.2 Blocking on Queue Writes

1. Modify the priority of *sender task* to 5 and the priority of *receiver task* to 3.

2. Modify the capacity of the message queue to 2 (i.e. `MESS_QUEUE_MAX_LENGTH = 2`)
3. Explain the problem.

4. How to correct the problem by adjusting the priority of tasks?

2.4 Using message queue with interrupts (Lab2-4)

The figure 2.4 illustrates the application we want to achieve. When we press the push button, it will trigger on falling edge an interrupt (`Push_button_isr_handler()`) that will send a message containing the GPIO pin number of push button to the `vCounterTask()` task. If the button is not pressed after 5 seconds, a message is displayed indicating that the button must be pressed to trigger an interrupt. A simple way is to use the timeout of the message queue received function. All tasks run on the *Core 0*.

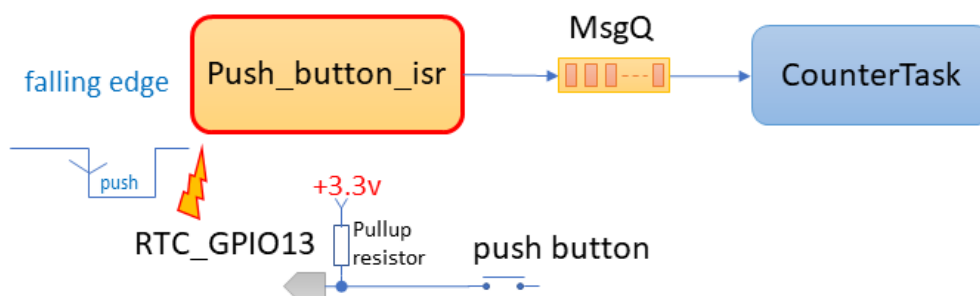


FIGURE 2.4 – Interrupt application with message queue.

1. Create the « lab2-4_single_msg_queue_interrupt » lab from « esp32-vscode-project-template » GitHub repository.
2. Overwrite the « main.c » file by the provided code of the « lab2-4_main.c » file.
3. Copy the provided « my_helper_fct.h » file to the « main » folder.
4. Copy the provided « lab2-4_sdkconfig.defaults » file to the project folder and rename « sdkconfig.defaults ».
5. Study the following function : `xQueueSendFromISR()`. [Web help](#)

6. Study the following function : *uxQueueMessagesWaiting()*. [Web help](#)

7. Configure the GPIO for the push button (RTC_GPIO13) as below. Note that the RTC_GPIO13 is the IO15 pin in the board.

```
/* Config GPIO */
gpio_config_t config_in;
config_in.intr_type = GPIO_INTR_NEGEDGE; // falling edge interrupt
config_in.mode = GPIO_MODE_INPUT; // Input mode (push button)
config_in.pull_down_en = false;
config_in.pull_up_en = true; // Pull-up resistor
config_in.pin_bit_mask = (1ULL<<PIN_PUSH_BUTTON); // Pin number
gpio_config(&config_in);
```

8. Write the creation of the message queue (item size = 5) and the *vCounterTask()* task in the *app_main()* function.

9. Complete the body of the *Push_button_isr_handler()* by following the comments. Declare an *isrCount* global variable to count each trigger of interrupt. The argument of the *Push_button_isr_handler()* interrupt is the GPIO pin number of push button.

10. Write the installation of interrupt service in the *app_main()* function as below :

```
/* Install ISR */
gpio_install_isr_service(0);
gpio_isr_handler_add(PIN_PUSH_BUTTON, Push_button_isr_handler, (void
*)PIN_PUSH_BUTTON);
```

11. Write the body of *vCounterTask()* task by following the comments in the source code.

12. Perform the wiring on the board. The RTC_GPIO13 is the IO15 pin. Refer to the documentation *ESP32-PICO-D4_Pin_Layout.pdf*.

13. Build and run the program.

14. When is the message "number of items" displayed ? why ?

15. Explain how to correct the problem ? more than one solution is possible.

16. Change the program according to your solution. Build and run the program.