ECEn 425. Real-Time Operating Systems

Catalog	ECEn 425. Real-Time Operating Systems. (4:3:3) F		
Description:	Hardware/software interface, real-time kernel internals, implementation of high-		
	level language constructs, issues in real-time application software development.		
Course Type:	Engineering Topics		
Prerequisites:	ECEn 324		
Textbooks and/or	An Embedded Software Primer, David E. Simon, Addison Wesley, 1999.		
other required			
materials			
Topics Covered:	The 8086 architecture and class tool set		
	Interrupts, interrupt service routines, interrupt latency		
	Software architectures for real-time systems		
	RTOS functionality, structure, and support for application software		
	RTOS implementation and design tradeoffs		
	The shared data problem, reentrant functions, and dealing with concurrency		
	RTOS support for semaphores, queues, mailboxes, pipes, events		
	Case studies in problems with embedded computing in society		
	Design issues for real-time applications using an RTOS		
	Memory considerations in embedded systems		
	Alternatives in development tools for embedded and real-time systems		
C	Challenges of testing and debugging embedded software	O	
Course	Ability to apply C and assembly programming languages and	Outcome 1	
Competencies:	knowledge of the hardware/software interface to the design and		
	implementation of a real-time kernel.	0.4	
	Ability to design and implement a real-time application.	Outcome 3	
	Ability to design and implement a real-time kernel.	Outcome 3	
	Ability to use C programs, compilers, and debuggers in the design and implementation of real-time application software.	Outcome 11	
	Ability to write interrupt service routines.	Outcome 11	
	Ability to use a real-time operating system as a tool in the	Outcome 11	
	development of real-time application software.		
Schedule:	Lectures: MWF 9:00-9:50AM	l	
	Laboratory: open access (computer lab in 425 CB)		
	TA Recitations: TTh 9:00-9:50AM		
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