

Digital Lab 4:

Experiment 3:

Stepper Motor Control

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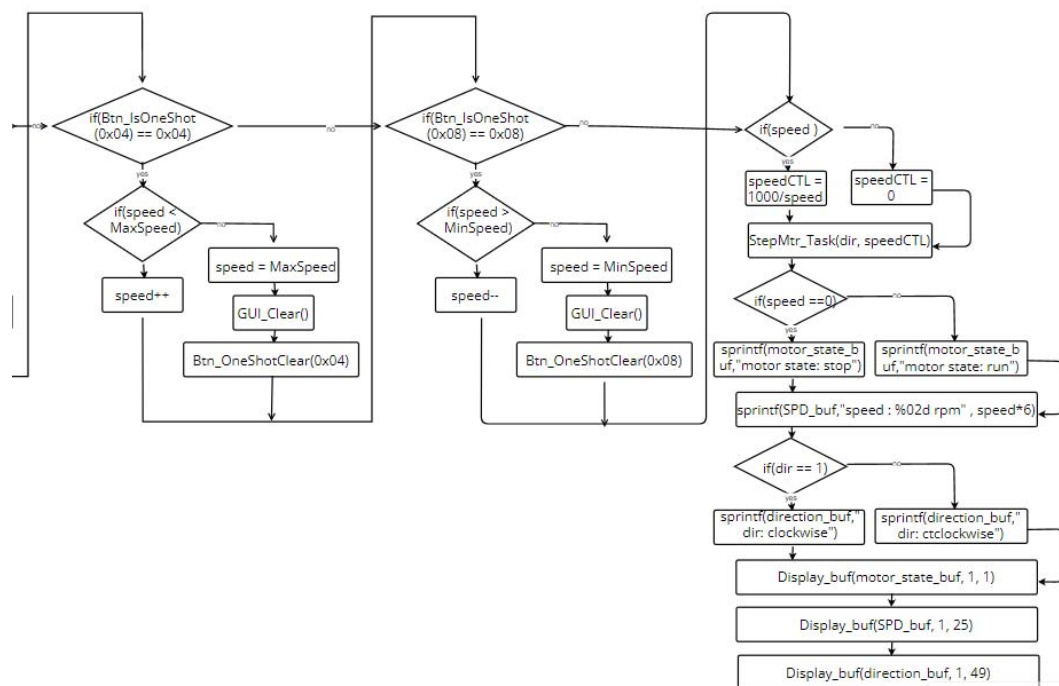
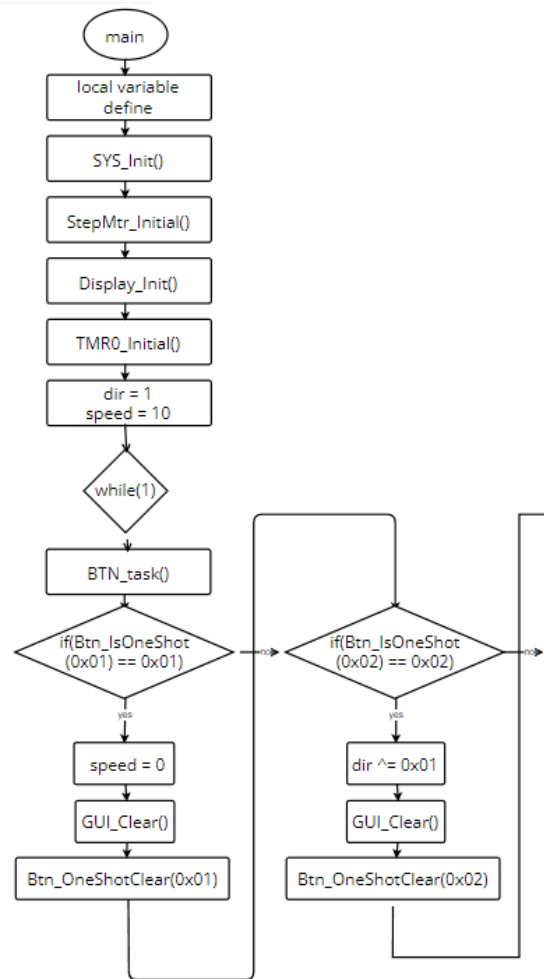
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I. Annotated Code

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1  #include "stdio.h"
2  #include "NuMicro.h"
3  #include "tmr.h"
4  #include "system_init.h"
5  #include "GUI.h"
6  #include "display.h"
7  #include "BNCTL.h"
8  #include "StepMotorAgent.h"
9
10 /* define max and mini speed */
11 #define MaxSpeed 17
12 #define MinSpeed 1
13
14 /* global variable define */
15 uint32_t timecount;
16 uint8_t dir;
17 uint32_t speed;
18
19 int main(void)
20 {
21     /* local variable define */
22     char motor_state_buf[30];
23     char SPD_buf[30];
24     char direction_buf[30];
25     uint32_t speedCTL;
26
27     /* Init System */
28     SYS_Init();
29
30     /*button initialize*/
31     BTN_init();
32
33     /*Step Motor initialize*/
34     StepMtr_Initial();
35
36     /* GUI display initialize */
37     Display_Init();
38
39     /* Init TMR0 for timecount */
40     TMR0_Initial();
41
42     /* Set initial value for speed direction */
43     dir = 1;
44     speed = 10;//10rounds in a sec
45
46     while(1) //always conduct
47     {
48         /* Scan button */
49         BTN_task();
50         if(Btn_IsOneShot(0x01) == 0x01){
51             //stop
52             speed = 0;
53             GUI_Clear();//clear the GUI previous output
54             Btn_OneShotClear(0x01);//clear the flag
55         }
56         if(Btn_IsOneShot(0x02) == 0x02){
57             dir ^= 0x01;//change the direction
58             GUI_Clear();
59             Btn_OneShotClear(0x02);
60         }
61         if(Btn_IsOneShot(0x04) == 0x04){
62             //speed up
63             if(speed < MaxSpeed)
64                 speed++;
65             else
66                 speed = MaxSpeed;
67             GUI_Clear();
68             Btn_OneShotClear(0x04);
69         }
70     }
```

III. Thoughts

This electrical engineering experiment provided me with the opportunity to further understand the control principles of stepper motors. We used C language to control the stepper motor, building upon our familiarity with stepper motor principles from the previous semester where we worked with Verilog. This time, we utilized C language along with the one-shot function, coupled with ULN2003A and M487 boards, to control the speed and direction of the motor and display its current status on the board's screen.

During the experiment, we encountered some challenges, particularly in understanding the interaction between C language and hardware. However, through careful reading of documentation and hands-on experience, we gradually learned how to use the one-shot function to control the stepper motor and successfully achieved speed and direction control. The most exciting part was successfully displaying the current status of the stepper motor on the board's screen, which left us feeling fulfilled and proud.

Through this experiment, we not only deepened our understanding of the control principles of stepper motors but also improved our ability to interact with hardware in the C language environment. Additionally, the challenges we faced during the experiment helped us become more familiar with troubleshooting and problem-solving techniques. Overall, this experiment was a valuable learning experience that laid a solid foundation for our future research and applications in related fields.