

# Chapter 1: Getting Started with uC/OS-II

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#### uC/OS-2

- A very small real-time kernel.
  - Memory footprint is about 20k for a fully functional kernel.
  - It's source is open.
  - Preemptible priority-driven real-time scheduling.
  - Support many platforms: x86, 68x, MIPS...
  - Very easy to develop: Borland C++ compiler and DOS (optional).
- However, it lacks of...
  - Resource synchronization protocols.
  - Sporadic task support.
  - Soft-real-time support.



# Getting started with uC/OS-2!

- See what a uC/OS-2 program looks like.
- Learn how to write a skeleton program for uC/OS-2.
  - How to initialize uC/OS-2?
  - How to create real-time tasks?
  - How to use inter-task communication mechanism?
  - How to catch system event?



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EXAMPLE #1

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#Tasks : #Task switch/sec: CPU Usage:



80387 FPU

<-PRESS 'ESC' TO QUIT->





- uC/OS-2 can run with or without DOS.
  - DOS box under Windows
  - Boot directly from image on HDD/FDD.
  - Convenient to test and debug.



- Files needed:
  - The main program (test.c)
  - The configuration for uC/OS-2(os\_cfg.h)
  - The big include file (includes.h)
- Tools needed:
  - Borland C++ compiler (V3.1+)
  - A PC!!





- 13 tasks run concurrently.
  - 2 internal tasks:
    - The idle task and the statistic task.
  - 11 user tasks:
    - Randomly print numbers onto the screen.
- Focus: System initialization and task creation.



```
#include "includes.h"
                                                 CONSTANTS
#define TASK STK SIZE
                                        512
                                                  /* Size of each task's stacks (# of WORDs)
                                                                                                         */
#define N_TASKS
                                        10
                                                  /* Number of identical tasks
                                                 VARIABLES
OS_STK
              TaskStk[N_TASKS][TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                       /* Tasks stacks
                                                                                                         */
OS STK
              TaskStartStk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
              TaskData[N_TASKS];
                                                                                                         */
char
                                                       /* Parameters to pass to each task
OS EVENT
             *RandomSem:
```

A semaphore (explain later)



```
void main (void)
    PC_DispClrScr(DISP_FGND_WHITE + DISP_BGND_BLACK);
                                                                  (1)
    OSInit();
                                                                  (2)
    PC_DOSSaveReturn();
                                                                  (3)
    PC_VectSet(uCOS, OSCtxSw);
                                                                  (4)
    RandomSem = OSSemCreate(1);
                                                                  (5)
    OSTaskCreate(TaskStart,
                                                                  (6)
                 (void *)0,
                 (void *)&TaskStartStk[TASK_STK_SIZE-1],
                0);
    OSStart();
                                                                  (7)
```



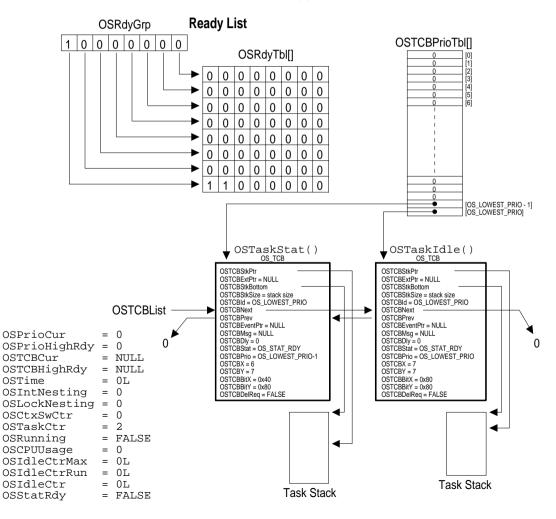


- OSinit():
  - I nit internal structures of uC/OS-2.
    - Task ready list.
    - Priority table.
    - Task control blocks (TCB).
    - Free pool.
  - Create housekeeping tasks.
    - The idle task.
    - The statistics task.





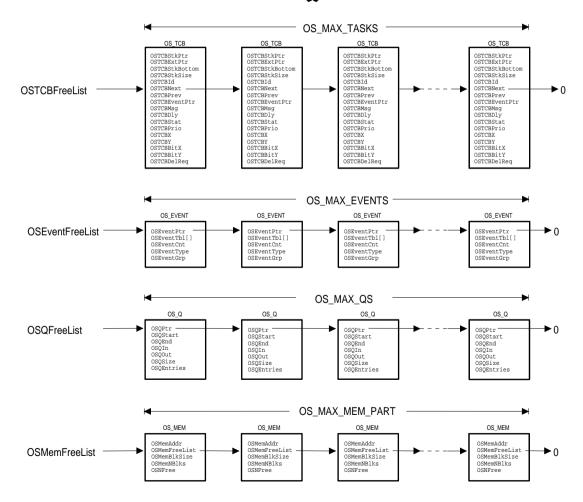
#### OSinit()





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#### OSinit()





- PC\_DOSSaveReturn()
  - Save the current status of DOS for the future restoration.
    - Interrupt vectors and the RTC tick rate.
  - Set a global returning point by calling setjump().
    - uC/OS-2 can come back here when terminating.
    - PC\_DOSReturn()





#### PC\_DOSSaveReturn()

```
void PC DOSSaveReturn (void)
   PC ExitFlag
                 = FALSE;
                                                                (1)
                                                                (2)
   OSTickDOSCtr =
                       8;
   PC TickISR = PC VectGet(VECT TICK);
                                                                (3)
   OS ENTER CRITICAL();
                                                                (4)
   PC VectSet(VECT DOS CHAIN, PC TickISR);
    OS_EXIT_CRITICAL();
    setjmp(PC JumpBuf);
                                                                (5)
    if (PC ExitFlag == TRUE) {
        OS ENTER CRITICAL();
       PC SetTickRate(18);
                                                                (6)
        PC VectSet(VECT TICK, PC TickISR);
                                                                (7)
        OS EXIT CRITICAL();
        PC DispClrScr(DISP FGND WHITE + DISP BGND BLACK);
                                                                (8)
                                                                (9)
        exit(0);
```





PC\_VectSet(uCOS,OSCtxSw)

- Install the context switch handler.
- Interrupt 0x08 under 80x86 family.
  - Invoked by int instruction.





- OSSemCreate()
  - Create a semaphore for resource synchronization.
    - To protect non-reentrant codes.
  - The created semaphore becomes a mutual exclusive mechanism if "1" is given as the initial value.
  - In this example, a semaphore is created to protect the standard C library "random()".



- OSTaskCreate()
  - Create tasks by the given arguments.
  - Tasks become "ready" after they are created.
- Task
  - An active entity which could do some computations.
  - Priority, CPU registers, stack, text, housekeeping status.
  - uC/OS-2 allows maximum 63 tasks created.
- The uC/OS-2 picks up the highest priority task to run on context-switch.
  - Tightly coupled with RTC ISR.





#### OSTaskCreate()

• OSTaskCreate(

Entry point of the task (a pointer to function)

```
TaskStart,
(void *)0,

&TaskStartStk[TASK_STK_SIZE - 1],

0
);
    Priority
(0=hightest)
    Top of Stack
```



#### TaskStart()

```
void TaskStart (void *pdata)
#if OS CRITICAL METHOD == 3
                                                           /* Allocate storage for CPU status register */
   OS_CPU_SR cpu_sr;
#endif
                               Change the
   char
              s[100];
   INT16S
              key;
                               ticking rate
   pdata = pdata;
                                                           /* Prevent compiler warning
   TaskStartDispInit();
                                                           /* Initialize the display
   OS_ENTER_CRITICAL();
   PC VectSet(0x08, OSTickISR);
                                                           /* Install uC/OS-II's clock tick ISR
   PC SetTickRate(OS TICKS PER SEC);
                                                          /* Reprogram tick rate
   OS EXIT CRITICAL();
   OSStatInit();
                                                           /* Initialize uC/OS-II's statistics
   TaskStartCreateTasks();
                                                           /* Create all the application tasks
   for (;;) {
        TaskStartDisp();
                                                          /* Update the display
        if (PC_GetKey(&key) == TRUE) {
                                                          /* See if key has been pressed
           if (key == 0x1B) {
                                                           /* Yes, see if it's the ESCAPE key
               PC DOSReturn();
                                                           /* Return to DOS
                                                                                                      */
        OSCtxSwCtr = 0;
                                                           /* Clear context switch counter
        OSTimeDlyHMSM(0, 0, 1, 0);
                                                           /* Wait one second
```





#### TaskStart()

- OS\_ENTER(EXIT)\_CRITICAL
  - Enable/disable most interrupts.
  - An alternative way to accomplish mutual exclusion.
    - No rescheduling is possible during the disabling of interrupts.
    - Different from semaphores.
  - Processor specific.
    - CLI/STI (x86 real mode)
      - Interrupt descriptors (x86 protected mode)





#### TaskStartCreateTasks()

```
static void TaskStartCreateTasks (void)
    INT8U i;
    for (i = 0; i < N_TASKS; i++) {
                                          Entry point of the
                                            created task
        TaskData[i] = '0' + i;
        OSTaskCreate(
                                              Argument: character
        Task,
        (void *)&TaskData[i],
                                                     to print
        &TaskStk[i][TASK_STK_SIZE
        i + 1);
                     Priority
                                               Stack
```





#### Task()

```
void Task (void *pdata)
    INT8U
           x;
                                   Semaphore
    INT8U
           у;
    INT8U
           err;
                                   operations.
    for (;;) {
        OSSemPend(RandomSem, 0, &err);/* Acquire semaphore to perform random numbers
       x = random(80);
                                      /* Find X position where task number will appear
       y = random(16);
                                      /* Find Y position where task number will appear
       OSSemPost(RandomSem);
                                      /* Release semaphore
                                      /* Display the task number on the screen
       PC_DispChar(x, y + 5, *(char *)pdata, DISP_FGND_BLACK + DISP_BGND_LIGHT_GRAY);
       OSTimeDly(1);
                                      /* Delay 1 clock tick
                                                                                       */
```





### Semaphores

- OSSemPend() / OSSemPost()
  - A semaphore consists of a wait list and an integer counter.
  - OSSemPend:
    - Counter--;
    - If the value of the semaphore <0, the task is blocked and moved to the wait list immediately.
    - A time-out value can be specified.
  - OSSemPost:
    - Counter++;

If the value of the semaphore >= 0, a task in the wait list is removed from the wait list.

Reschedule if needed.



OSStart()

- Start multitasking of uC/OS-2.
- It never returns to main().
- uC/OS-2 is terminated if PC\_DOSReturn() is called.







## Summary: Example 1

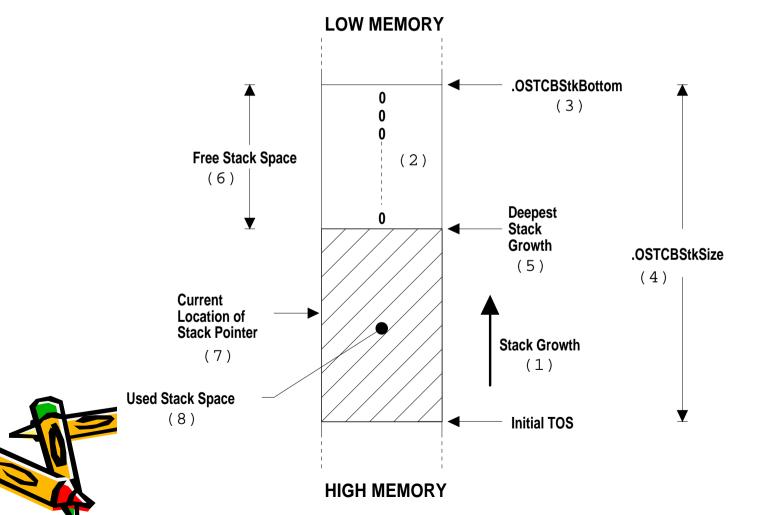
- uC/OS-2 is initialized and started by calling OSI nit() and OSStart(), respectively.
- Before uC/OS-2 is started,
  - DOS status is saved by calling PC\_DOSSaveReturn().
  - Context switch handler is installed by calling PC\_VectSet().
  - User tasks must be created by OSTaskCreate().
- Shared resources can be protected by semaphores.
  - OSSemPend(),OSSemPost().

- Example 2 focuses on:
  - More task creation options.
  - Stack usage of each task.
  - Floating point operations.
  - Communication through mailbox.





# Stack Usage of a Task



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	EXAMPLE #2					
Task 	Total Stack	Free Stack	Used Stack	ExecTime (uS)		
TaskStart(): TaskClk() : Task1() : Task2() : Task3() : Task4() : Task5() :	624 1024 1024 1024 1024 1024 1024	170 688 654 956 454 940 924	454 336 370 68 570 84 100	2 4 7 2 6 6	i G	
#Tasks #Task switch/s	: 9 CP ec: 67	U Usage: 9	% C' TO QUIT->	2003-08	80387 FPU -03 00:25:57 V2.52	

```
/* Size of each task's stacks (# of WORDs)
#define
                 TASK STK SIZE
                                    512
#define
                 TASK START ID
                                      0
                                                        /* Application tasks IDs
#define
                 TASK CLK ID
                                      1
#define
                                      2
                 TASK_1_ID
                 TASK 2 ID
#define
                                      3
#define
                 TASK 3 ID
                                      5
#define
                 TASK 4 ID
#define
                 TASK_5_ID
#define
                 TASK_START_PRIO
                                     10
                                                        /* Application tasks priorities
#define
                 TASK CLK PRIO
                                     11
#define
                                     12
                 TASK 1 PRIO
#define
                 TASK 2 PRIO
                                     13
#define
                 TASK_3_PRIO
                                     14
#define
                                     15
                 TASK 4 PRIO
#define
                 TASK_5_PRIO
                                     16
              TaskStartStk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
OS STK
                                                        /* Startup
                                                                      task stack
                                                                                                           */
OS_STK
              TaskClkStk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                        /* Clock
                                                                      task stack
                                                                                                           */
                                                        /* Task #1
                                                                      task stack
                                                                                                           */
OS_STK
              Task1Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                        /* Task #2
                                                                                                           */
OS_STK
              Task2Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                                      task stack
              Task3Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                        /* Task #3
                                                                      task stack
                                                                                                           */
OS STK
OS_STK
              Task4Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                        /* Task #4
                                                                      task stack
                                                                                                           */
                                                        /* Task #5
                                                                      task stack
                                                                                                           */
OS STK
              Task5Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
OS_EVENT
             *AckMbox;
                                                        /* Message mailboxes for Tasks #4 and #5
                                                                                                           */
             *TxMbox;
```

#### 2 Mailboxes



OS EVENT

```
void main (void)
   OS STK *ptos;
   OS_STK *pbos;
   INT32U size;
   PC DispClrScr(DISP FGND WHITE);
                                                            /* Clear the screen
                                                                                                         */
   OSInit();
                                                            /* Initialize uC/OS-II
                                                                                                         */
   PC_DOSSaveReturn();
                                                            /* Save environment to return to DOS
   PC_VectSet(uCOS, OSCtxSw);
                                                            /* Install uC/OS-II's context switch vector */
                                                            /* Initialized elapsed time measurement
   PC_ElapsedInit();
                                                                                                         */
                                                           /* TaskStart() will use Floating-Point
                                                                                                         */
   ptos
                = &TaskStartStk[TASK_STK_SIZE - 1];
   aodq
                = &TaskStartStk[0];
   size
                = TASK_STK_SIZE;
   OSTaskStkInit_FPE_x86(&ptos, &pbos, &size);
   OSTaskCreateExt(TaskStart,
                   (void *)0,
                   ptos,
                   TASK START PRIO,
                   TASK START ID,
                   pbos,
                   size,
                   (void *)0,
                   OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK | OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CLR);
                                                            /* Start multitasking
   OSStart();
```



#### TaskStart()

```
void TaskStart (void *pdata)
                                                           /* Allocate storage for CPU status register */
#if OS CRITICAL METHOD == 3
   OS_CPU_SR cpu_sr;
#endif
   INT16S
              kev;
                                                           /* Prevent compiler warning
                                                                                                       * /
   pdata = pdata;
                                                           /* Setup the display
   TaskStartDispInit();
   OS ENTER CRITICAL();
                                                           /* Install uC/OS-II's clock tick ISR
   PC VectSet(0x08, OSTickISR);
                                        Create 2
                                                           /* Reprogram tick rate
   PC SetTickRate(OS_TICKS_PER_SEC);
                                                                                                       */
   OS_EXIT_CRITICAL();
                                        mailboxes
   OSStatInit();
                                                           /* Initialize uC/OS-II's statistics
                                                                                                       */
   AckMbox = OSMboxCreate((void *)0);
                                                           /* Create 2 message mailboxes
   TxMbox = OSMboxCreate((void *)0);
                                                           /* Create all other tasks
                                                                                                       */
   TaskStartCreateTasks();
   for (;;) {
        TaskStartDisp();
                                                           /* Update the display
                                                                                                       */
        if (PC GetKey(&key)) {
                                                           /* See if key has been pressed
                                                                                                       */
            if (key == 0x1B) {
                                                           /* Yes, see if it's the ESCAPE key
                                                                                                       */
                PC_DOSReturn()
                                                           /* Yes, return to DOS
                                                                                                       */
                                   The dummy loop
                                    wait for 'ESC'
                                                           /* Clear context switch counter
        OSCtxSwCtr = 0;
                                                                                                       */
        OSTimeDly(OS_TICKS_PER_SEC);
                                                           /* Wait one second
```

### Task1()

```
void Task1 (void *pdata)
    INT8U
                err;
    OS STK DATA data;
                                             /* Storage for task stack data
    INT16U
                time;
                                             /* Execution time (in uS)
    INT8U
                i;
                s[80];
    char
   pdata = pdata;
    for (;;) {
        for (i = 0; i < 7; i++) {
            PC_ElapsedStart();
            err = OSTaskStkChk(TASK_START_PRIO + i, &data);
            time = PC ElapsedStop();
            if (err == OS_NO_ERR) {
                sprintf(s, "%4ld
                                         %41d
                                                     %41d
                                                                  %6d",
                        data.OSFree + data.OSUsed,
                        data.OSFree,
                        data.OSUsed,
                        time);
                PC_DispStr(19, 12 + i, s, DISP_FGND_BLACK + DISP_BGND_LIGHT_GRAY);
        OSTimeDlyHMSM(0, 0, 0, 100);
                                                             /* Delay for 100 mS
```



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The local variables

errata

Task1: total 1024 Free 654 Used 370

```
void Task2 (void *data)
   data = data;
   for (;;) {
       PC DispChar(70, 15, '|', DISP FGND YELLOW + DISP BGND BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(10);
       PC DispChar(70, 15, '/', DISP FGND YELLOW + DISP BGND BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(10);
       PC DispChar(70, 15, '-', DISP FGND YELLOW + DISP BGND BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(10);
       PC DispChar(70, 15, '\\', DISP FGND YELLOW + DISP BGND BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(10);
void Task3 (void *data)
   char
           dummy[500];
   INT16U i;
   data = data;
   for (i = 0; i < 499; i++) { /* Use up the stack with 'junk'
       dummv[i] = '?';
   for (;;) {
       PC_DispChar(70, 16, '|', DISP_FGND_YELLOW + DISP_BGND_BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(20);
       PC DispChar(70, 16, '\\', DISP FGND YELLOW + DISP BGND BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(20);
       PC_DispChar(70, 16, '-', DISP_FGND_YELLOW + DISP_BGND_BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(20);
       PC DispChar(70, 16, '/', DISP FGND YELLOW + DISP BGND BLUE);
       OSTimeDly(20);
```



#### Task4 and Task5

```
void Task4 (void *data)
   char
           txmsg;
   INT8U err;
   data = data;
   txmsq = 'A';
   for (;;) {
        OSMboxPost(TxMbox, (void *)&txmsg);
                                                 /* Send message to Task #5
                                                                                                        */
        OSMboxPend(AckMbox, 0, &err);
                                                 /* Wait for acknowledgement from Task #5
                                                 /* Next message to send
        txmsq++;
        if (txmsg == 'Z') {
            txmsg = 'A';
                                                 /* Start new series of messages
void Task5 (void *data)
   INT8U err;
   data = data;
   for (;;) {
        rxmsg = (char *)OSMboxPend(TxMbox, 0, &err);
                                                                       /* Wait for message from Task #4 */
       PC_DispChar(70, 18, *rxmsg, DISP_FGND_YELLOW + DISP_BGND_BLUE);
        OSTimeDlyHMSM(0, 0, 1, 0);
                                                                       /* Wait 1 second
        OSMboxPost(AckMbox, (void *)1);
                                                                       /* Acknowledge reception of msg
```

#### MailBox

- A mailbox is a data exchange between tasks.
  - A mailbox consists of a data pointer and a wait-list.
- OSMboxPend():
  - The message in the mailbox is retrieved.
  - If the mailbox is empty, the task is immediately blocked and moved to the wait-list.
  - A time-out value can be specified.
- OSMboxPost():
  - A message is posted in the mailbox.
  - If there is already a message in the mailbox, an error is returned (not overwritten).
  - If tasks waiting for a message from the mailbox, the task with the highest priority is removed from the wait-list and scheduled to run.



#### OSTaskStkInit\_FPE\_x86()

- OSTaskStkInit\_FPE\_x86(&ptos, &pbos, &size)
- Passing the original top address, bottom address, and size of the stack.
- On return, the arguments are modified and some stack space are reserved for floating point library.
  - For context switches.





#### OSCreateTaskExt()

```
    OSTaskCreateExt(

  TaskStart,
  (\text{void }*)0,
  ptos,
  TASK START PRIO,
  TASK START ID,
  pbos,
  size,
  (\text{void }*)0,
  OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CHK | OS_TASK_OPT_STK_CLR
  );
```





## OSTaskStkCheck()

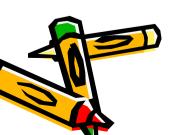
- Check for stack overflow.
  - bos < (tos stack length)</p>
  - Local variables, arguments for procedure calls, temporary storage for I SR's.
  - uC/OS-2 can check for stack overflow on the creation of tasks and when OSTaskStkCheck() is called.
  - uC/OS-2 does not automatically check stacks.





# Summary: Example2

- Local variable, function calls, and I SR's will utilize the stack space of user tasks.
  - ISR will use the stack of the interrupted task.
- If floating-point operations are needed, some stack space should be reserved.
- Mailbox can be used to synchronize among tasks.

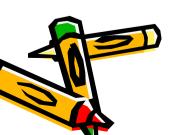


### Example 3

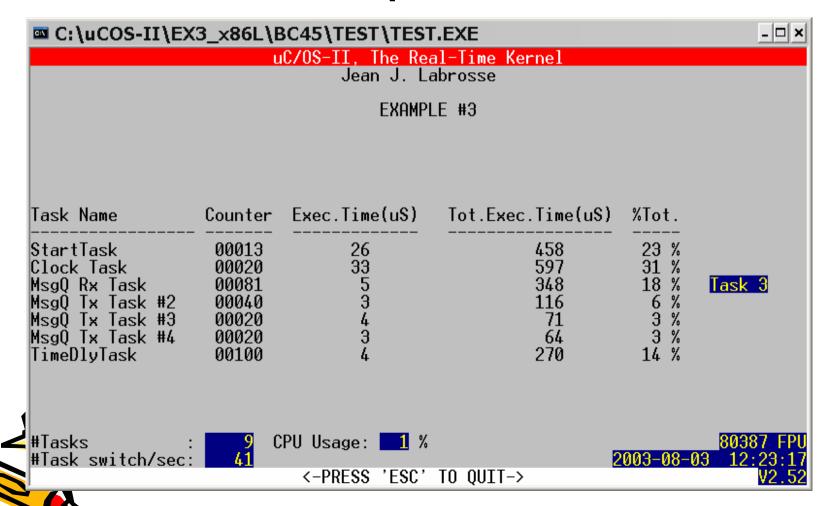
 Passing user-specified data structures on task creations.

Using message queues.

 Demonstrating how to use OS hooks to receive desired event from the uC/OS-2.



### Example 3



```
#define
                 TASK STK SIZE
                                   512
                                                      /* Size of each task's stacks (# of WORDs)
#define
                                     0
                                                      /* Application tasks
                 TASK START ID
#define
                 TASK_CLK_ID
#define
                 TASK 1 ID
#define
                 TASK 2 ID
#define
                 TASK_3_ID
#define
                 TASK 4 ID
#define
                 TASK 5 ID
                                                      /* Application tasks priorities
#define
                                    10
                 TASK START PRIO
#define
                                    11
                 TASK CLK PRIO
#define
                 TASK_1_PRIO
                                    12
#define
                                    13
                 TASK 2 PRIO
#define
                 TASK_3_PRIO
                                    14
#define
                 TASK_4_PRIO
                                    15
#define
                 TASK_5_PRIO
                                    16
                                                      /* Size of message queue used in example
#define
                 MSG OUEUE SIZE
                                    20
typedef struct {
   char
            TaskName[30];
                                                        User-defined data
   INT16U
           TaskCtr;
   INT16U
           TaskExecTime;
                                                 structure to pass to tasks
   INT32U TaskTotExecTime;
} TASK USER DATA;
                                                                                                        * /
OS STK
                TaskStartStk[TASK STK SIZE];
                                                      /* Startup
                                                                    task stack
OS STK
                TaskClkStk[TASK STK SIZE];
                                                      /* Clock
                                                                    task stack
                                                                                                        * /
                                                                                                       * /
OS_STK
                Task1Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                      /* Task #1
                                                                    task stack
                                                                                                       * /
OS STK
                Task2Stk[TASK STK SIZE];
                                                      /* Task #2
                                                                    task stack
                                                                                                       * /
OS_STK
                Task3Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                      /* Task #3
                                                                    task stack
                                                                                                        * /
                                                      /* Task #4
                                                                    task stack
OS_STK
                Task4Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                      /* Task #5
OS_STK
                Task5Stk[TASK_STK_SIZE];
                                                                    task stack
TASK_USER_DATA
               TaskUserData[7];
                                                      /* Message queue pointer
                                                                                                        * /
OS EVENT
               *MsqOueue;
               *MsqQueueTbl[20];
void
                                                      /* Storage for messages
                                    Message queue and
                                      an array of event
```

```
void Task1 (void *pdata)
  char *msg;
  INT8U err;
  pdata = pdata;
  for (;;) {
    msg = (char *)OSQPend(MsgQueue, 0, &err);
    PC_DispStr(70, 13, msg, DI SP_FGND_YELLOW + DI SP_BGND_BLUE);
    OSTimeDlyHMSM(0, 0, 0, 100);
void Task2 (void *pdata)
  char msg[20];
                                                         Task 2, 3, 4 are
                                                            functionally
  pdata = pdata;
  strcpy(&msg[0], "Task 2");
                                                              identical.
  for (;;) {
    OSQPost(MsgQueue, (void *)&msg[0]);
    OSTimeDlyHMSM(0, 0, 0, 500);
```

## Message Queues

- A message queue consists an array of elements and a waitlist.
- Different from a mailbox, a message queue can hold many data elements (in a FI FO basis).
- As same as mailboxes, there can be multiple tasks pend/post to a message queue.
- OSQPost(): a message is appended to the queue. The highest-priority pending task (in the wait-list) receives the message and is scheduled to run, if any.
- OSQPend(): a message is removed from the array of elements. If no message can be retrieved, the task is moved to the wait-list and becomes blocked.

#### Hooks

- A hook function will be called by uC/OS-2 when the corresponding event occurs.
  - Event handlers in user programs.
  - For example, OSTaskSwHook () is called every time when context switch occurs.
- The hooks are specified in compile time in uC/OS-2.
  - Since it is an embedded OS.
  - Most OS's can register and un-register hooks.

#### User Customizable Hooks

- void OSInitHookBegin (void)
- void OSInitHookEnd (void)
- void OSTaskCreateHook (OS\_TCB \*ptcb)
- void OSTaskDelHook (OS\_TCB \*ptcb)
- void OSTaskI dleHook (void)
- void OSTaskStatHook (void)
- void OSTaskSwHook (void)
- void OSTCBI nitHook (OS\_TCB \*ptcb)
- void OSTimeTickHook (void)





```
void OSTaskStatHook (void)
            s[80];
    char
    INT8U i;
    INT32U total;
    INT8U pct;
    total = 0Li
                                                         /* Totalize TOT. EXEC. TIME for each task */
    for (i = 0; i < 7; i++) {
        total += TaskUserData[i].TaskTotExecTime;
        DispTaskStat(i);
                                                         /* Display task data
                                                                                                    * /
    if (total > 0) {
        for (i = 0; i < 7; i++) {
                                                         /* Derive percentage of each task
                                                                                                    * /
            pct = 100 * TaskUserData[i].TaskTotExecTime / total;
            sprintf(s, "%3d %%", pct);
            PC DispStr(62, i + 11, s, DISP FGND BLACK + DISP BGND LIGHT GRAY);
                                                        /* Reset total time counters at 1 billion */
    if (total > 1000000000L) {
        for (i = 0; i < 7; i++) {
            TaskUserData[i].TaskTotExecTime = 0L;
void OSTaskSwHook (void)
    INT16U
                     time;
    TASK_USER_DATA *puser;
    time = PC_ElapsedStop();
                                                 /* This task is done
                                                                                                        * /
                                                 /* Start for next task
    PC ElapsedStart();
    puser = OSTCBCur->OSTCBExtPtr;
                                                 /* Point to used data
                                                                                                        * /
    if (puser != (TASK_USER_DATA *)0) {
        puser->TaskCtr++;
                                                 /* Increment task counter
                                                                                                        * /
                                                                                                        * /
        puser->TaskExecTime
                                = time;
                                                 /* Update the task's execution time
                                                 /* Update the task's total execution time
        puser->TaskTotExecTime += time;
```

## Summary: Example 3

- Message queues can be used to synchronize among tasks.
  - Multiple message can be held in the queue.
  - Multiple tasks can pend/post to message queues simultaneously.
- Hooks can be used to do some userspecific computations on certain OS events occurs.
  - They are specified in compile time.



# Summary: Getting Started with uC/OS-2

- Have you understood:
  - how to write a dummy uC/OS-2 program?
  - how the control flows among procedures?
  - how tasks are created?
  - how tasks are synchronized by semaphore, mailbox, and message queues?
  - how the space of stacks are utilized?
    - bow to capture system events?