Exercise ▾ **- Make Blinky!**

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Course	**Making Embedded Systems**
Cohort	**4**
Activity ID	`mes4gt_l3_ex_make-blinky`
Grading	self-based ▾

Instructions

On a board, make blinky for yourself. Then add a button to turn the LED on and off. Bonus points for making the button cause an interrupt. Triple bonus points for debouncing the button signal.

What build environment are you using? You have many free options: STM32CubeMxIDE, VSCode with Platformio, Platformio, Keil (free version), Arm GNU tools, and so on. For many of these, there are examples, explore these examples and re-use HALs and code as you can. If you don't have a board, use Wokwi to simulate the board.

Can you step through the code to see what each line does?

Investigate further, using the processor manual:
- What are the hardware registers that cause the LED to turn on and off? (From the processor manual, don't worry about initialization.)
- What are the registers that you read in order to find out the state of the button?
- Can you read the register directly and see the button change in a debugger or by
- printing out thes value of the memory at the register's address?

Grade yourself based on the rubric for grading blinky (below). Try to be objective.

Rubric for Grading Blinky

Grade according to the following rubric. For an assignment that truly exceeds expectations, give it the maximum score. A "Meets Expectations" score should be in the 50-70% range and a "Needs Improvement" would get 0-20%. Note that the scale is flexible and an assignment may be between levels.

When giving feedback, remember that you are talking to a person who worked on the assignment, not a robot who needs correcting. The goal is to help them understand how it would work better for you.

Criteria	Needs Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Max Score
Turned in	Turned in nothing at all.	Turned in mostly complete.	Turned in completed.	10
Blinks	This code does not turn an LED off and on via a button.	This code does turn an LED off and on via a button.	This code does turn an LED off and on via a button. It is very easy to follow.	30
Registers	Questions about registers incompletely or incorrectly answered.	Register questions answered but left at the level of macros and HAL structures.	Clear description of which values to read and write to which addresses and why.	30
Clarity	This code does not re-use any code, including a HAL. Or this code is entirely an example with no modification.	This code is based on an example but effort has been put into making the code better. HAL is used or there is an	Perfect balance between using available code to get the job done quickly and putting in effort to make the code better.	10

		explanation for why not.		
Bonus: Interrupt		Uses an interrupt when button is pressed to turn on/off the LED	Interrupt sends an event to the main loop to handle turning on and off the LED	5
Bonus: Debounce		Uses a timer to debounce, causing a button press event. May use another method.	Debounce both high and low, causing a button press and a button release event.	15