

Learn Embedded Systems

Introduction

This document is a collection of resources for learning embedded systems engineering.

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-  [Article: "Compiling, Linking, and Locating", Barr Group](#)

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- **IDE**
 - [PlatformIO](#)
 - [Visual Studio Code](#)
 - [VisualGDB](#)
- **Oscilloscopes and Logic Analyzers**
 - [Video: "Setting Up the Analog Discovery 2 Portable Lab Instrument", YouTube](#)

Embedded Hardware

- ☐ [Article: "Getting to Know the Hardware", Barr Group](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Computer Hardware", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "MSP430 Hardware Overview", YouTube](#)

Computer Architecture

- ☐ [Video: "Architecture-Software Interface", Coursera](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Word Size and Data Types", Coursera](#)

- **RISC**
 - [Website: "RISC-V Educational Materials", RISC-V](#)
- **ARM**
 - ☐ [Video: "ARM University, ARM Architecture Fundamentals", YouTube](#)
 - ☐ [Video: "Get to Know the ARM Cortex M7", YouTube](#)
- **Endianness**
 - ☐ [Article: "Big Endian, Little Endian, Endianness: Understanding Byte Arrangements in Digital Systems", All About Circuits](#)
 - ☐ [Video: "Endianness", Coursera](#)

Embedded Platforms

- **Microcontroller**
 - ☐ [PDF: "Introduction to Microcontrollers", Gunther Gridling, Bettina Weiss](#)
- **System on a Chip**

- ☐ [Video: "Arm Education Media Launches System-on-Chip Design Online Courses", YouTube](#)

- **Single Board Computer**

- ☐ [Article: "Single-board computer", Wikipedia](#)

- **FPGA**

- ☐ [Article: "How FPGAs work, and why you'll buy one", Embedded Related](#)
- ☐ [Video: "A Look Inside: SoC FPGAs Introduction \(Part 1 of 5\)", YouTube](#)

Serial Communication

- ☐ [Video: "PROTOCOLS: UART - I2C - SPI - Serial communications #001", YouTube](#)

- **SPI**

- ☐ **SPI on the MSP430**

- ☐ [Video: "SPI - SPI Overview & Implementation on the MSP430", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "SPI - Sending a Byte as a SPI Master", YouTube](#)
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- **I2C**

- ☐ **I2C on the MSP430**

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- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Basic Packet Structure", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Addressing Slave Registers", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Master Configuration on the MSP430FR2355", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Adafruit PFC8523 Real-Time-Clock I2C Slave", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - RTC-LaunchPad Connection & Making a Simple Probe", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Writing One Byte to an I2C Slave", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Writing a Register Addr + 3 Bytes to I2C Slave", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Reading One Byte from an I2C Slave", YouTube](#)

- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Reading From a Specific Register Address", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "I2C - Slave Operation", YouTube](#)

- **UART**

- ☐ **UART on the MSP430**

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- **RS232**

- ☐ [Video: "What is RS232 and What is it Used for?", YouTube](#)
 - ☐ [Video: "RS-232, RS-422, RS-485: What Are the Differences?", YouTube](#)

- **RS485**

- ☐ [Video, "RS-485 Circuit Implementation", YouTube](#)
 - ☐ [Video, "What is RS485 and How it's used in Industrial Control Systems?", YouTube](#)

GPIO

- ☐ [Video: "How GPIO works | General Purpose Input Output | GPIO Behind The Scene", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Article: "Introduction to Microcontrollers - Hello World", Embedded Related](#)
- ☐ [Article: "Introduction to Microcontrollers - More On GPIO", Embedded Related](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Using GPIO with the MSP430 Microcontroller", YouTube](#)

- **Pin Modes**

- **Pull Up/Down**
 - ☐ [Article: "Using Pull-Up and Pull-Down Resistors", Stratify Labs](#)
- **Push-Pull**
 - ☐ [Video: "GPIO Output Configuration | Open Drain configuration | Push Pull configuration", YouTube](#)
- **Open-Drain**
 - ☐ [Video: "GPIO Output Mode: Working of Open Drain Configuration", YouTube](#)
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 - ☐ [Video: "The MSP430 ADC & Configuration", YouTube](#)
 - ☐ [Video: "Reading Voltage w/ Conversion-Complete Polling", YouTube](#)
 - ☐ [Video: "Reading Voltage w/ Conversion-Complete IRQ", YouTube](#)
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- **PWM**
 - ☐ [Video: "MSP430 - Creating PWM Signals using Timer Compares", YouTube](#)
- **DAC**
 - ☐ [Article: "About Digital to Analog Converter \(DAC\) and Its Applications", ElProCus](#)

Timer

☐ [Article: "Introduction to Microcontrollers - More Timers and Displays", Embedded Related](#)

- ☐ **MSP430 Timer**

- ☐ [Video: "Timer Overflow using ACLK", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Timer Overflow using ACLK + 12-Bit Counter Length", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Timer Overflow using SMCLK", YouTube](#)
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- ☐ [Video: "Timer Compares", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Timer Captures", YouTube](#)

Constraints

☐ [Video: "Optimizing C for Microcontrollers - Best Practices - Khem Raj, Comcast RDK", YouTube](#)

- **Power**

- ☐ [Video: "How To Lower AVR Microcontroller Power using Power Reduction Registers", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Atmel: picoPower Labs - Basic Power-Saving Techniques", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Microcontroller Design Considerations for Ultra Low Power Applications", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Ultra Low Power Microcontroller Design", YouTube](#)

- **Memory**

- ☐ [Article: "Memory", Barr Group](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Interacting with Memory", Coursera](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Different Types of Memory in Microcontroller : Flash Memory, SRAM and EEPROM", YouTube](#)
 - **Program (ROM)**
 - **Dynamic (RAM)**
 - ☐ [Video: "Tech Talk: Pros and Cons of Dynamic Memory Allocation", YouTube](#)
 - ☐ [Article: "How to make a heap profiler", Embedded Related](#)

Embedded Operating Systems

☐ [Article: "Operating Systems", Barr Group](#)

- **Bare Metal**

- ☐ [eBook: "Bare-metal C programming on ARM", GitHub](#)
- ☐ [eBook: "Practical Guide to Bare Metal C++", GitBook](#)

- **GNU/Linux**

- **Real Time Operating Systems**

- [Blog: "RTOS", Barr Group](#)

Embedded Software

☐ [Video: "Computer Software", YouTube](#)

☐ [Video: "MSP430 Software Overview", YouTube](#)

☐ Important Programming Concepts (Even on Embedded Systems)

- ☐ [Article: "Part I: Idempotence", Embedded Related](#)
- ☐ [Article: "Part II: Immutability", Embedded Related](#)
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- ☐ [Article: "Part VI : Abstraction", Embedded Related](#)

C Keywords

☐ [Article: "Keywords to Frequent", Barr Group](#)

☐ [Article: "Efficient C Code for 8-bit Microcontrollers", Barr Group](#)

- **volatile**

- ☐ [Video: "Tech Talk: Pro Tips for Using C's Volatile Keyword", YouTube](#)

- **static**

- ☐ [Article: "Scope regions in C and C++", Embedded](#)

- **const**

- **pragma**

- ☐ [Article: "Pragmas", GCC GNU](#)

- **attribute**

- ☐ [Video: "Compiler Attributes", Coursera](#)
 - ☐ [Article: "Using GNU C attribute", unixwiz](#)

- **restrict**

- **inline**

- ☐ [Article: "Inline Functions In C", greenend](#)

Watchdog Timer

- ☐ [Article: "Introduction to Watchdog Timers", Embedded](#)

Memory Alignment

- ☐ [Video: "Memory Alignment", Coursera](#)

Pointers

- ☐ [Video: "Pointers", Coursera](#)

Bit Manipulation

- **Bitwise**
 - ☐ [Video: "Switching to C to Program the MSP430 - Bitwise Logic Operations", YouTube](#)
- **Arithmetic**
 - ☐ [Video: "Switching to C to Program the MSP430 - Arithmetic", YouTube](#)

Interrupts

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 - ☐ [Video: "The Responsibility of the Developer when using IRQs", YouTube](#)
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 - ☐ [Video: "Changing Edge Sensitivity \(PxIES\) & Forgetting to Clear a Flag", YouTube](#)

Optimizations

- ☐ [Article: "Optimizing Your Code", Barr Group](#)

Coding Standards

☐ [Article: "Embedded C Coding Standards", Barr Group](#)

☐ [Video: "Tech Talk: Are Coding Standards & Static Analysis Really That Important?", YouTube](#)

[Blog: "Coding Standards", Barr Group](#)

- **MISRA**

- ☐ [Video: "An Introduction to MISRA C - Excerpt from An Introduction to MISRA C:2012 Webinar", YouTube](#)

- **ISO/IEC 90003**

- ☐ [Article: "ISO/IEC/IEEE 90003:2018 Software engineering — Guidelines for the application of ISO 9001:2015 to computer software", ISO](#)

Embedded Software Layers

Peripheral and Hardware Layer

☐ [Article: "Peripherals", Barr Group](#)

- **Registers**

- ☐ [Video: "Level Up Your Arduino Code: Registers", YouTube](#)

- **Bit Fields**

- ☐ [Video: "Bit Fields in C. What are they, and how do I use them?", YouTube](#)

- **Memory Map**

- ☐ [Video: "Memory Map and Registers", Coursera](#)

- **Peripherals**

- ☐ [Video: "Exploring Configurable Logic Peripherals on PIC® and AVR® Microcontrollers", YouTube](#)

Hardware Abstraction Layer

☐ [Video: "The Nios® II Processor: Hardware Abstraction Layer", YouTube](#)

[Textbook: "Reusable Firmware Development: A Practical Approach to APIs, HALs and Drivers", Amazon](#)

- **Register Definition Files**

- ☐ [Video: "Register Definition Files", Coursera](#)

- **Memory Access Methods**

- **Board Support Package**

☐ [Video: "0x1b7 What is a BSP | Board Support Package | Big Picture | Embedded Systems Software Development", YouTube](#)

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- **Data Structures and Algorithms**

- **Queue**

- **Circular Buffer**

- ☐ [Video: "Circular Buffer | Circular Buffer Implementation in C", YouTube](#)

- **Semaphore**

- ☐ [Video: "Semaphores", YouTube](#)

- ☐ [Video: "Webinar: Mutexes & Semaphores Demystified", YouTube](#)

- **Event Handling**

- ☐ [Video: "Embedded Programming Lesson 33: Event-Driven Programming part-1", YouTube](#)

- ☐ [Video: "Embedded Programming Lesson 34: Event-Driven Programming part-2", YouTube](#)

- **Producer-Consumer**

- ☐ [Video: "Producer Consumer Pattern", YouTube](#)

- ☐ [Video: "Quick explanation: the Bounded-Buffer problem", YouTube](#)

- **Domain Knowledge**

- **Digital Signal Processing**

- ☐ [Video: "Learn Embedded Systems Design on ARM based Microcontrollers 1 of 2", YouTube](#)

- ☐ [Video: "Learn DSP on ARM based Microcontrollers 2 of 2", YouTube](#)

- **FFT**

- ☐ [Video: "Digital Signal Processing \(DSP\) Tutorial - DSP with the Fast Fourier Transform Algorithm", YouTube](#)

- **Filters**

- **IIR**

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Debugging

- ☐ [Article: "Downloading and Debugging", Barr Group](#)



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Static Analysis

- ☐ [Video: "Static Code Analysis: Scan All Your Code For Bugs", YouTube](#)
- ☐ [Video: "Using PC-Lint for MISRA and static code analysis", YouTube](#)

Dynamic Analysis

Logic Analyzer

-  [Video: "EEVblog #44 Part 1 - Logic Analyzer Tutorial", YouTube](#)
-  [Video: "EEVblog #44 - Part 2 - Logic Analyzer Tutorial", YouTube](#)

Oscilloscope

-  [Video: "How to Debug Embedded Designs with an Oscilloscope", YouTube](#)
-  [Video: "How to test Automotive Serial Buses with Oscilloscopes", YouTube](#)

JTAG



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Testing and Quality Management

Phil Koopman Lectures

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