

Final Project Part 1 Report

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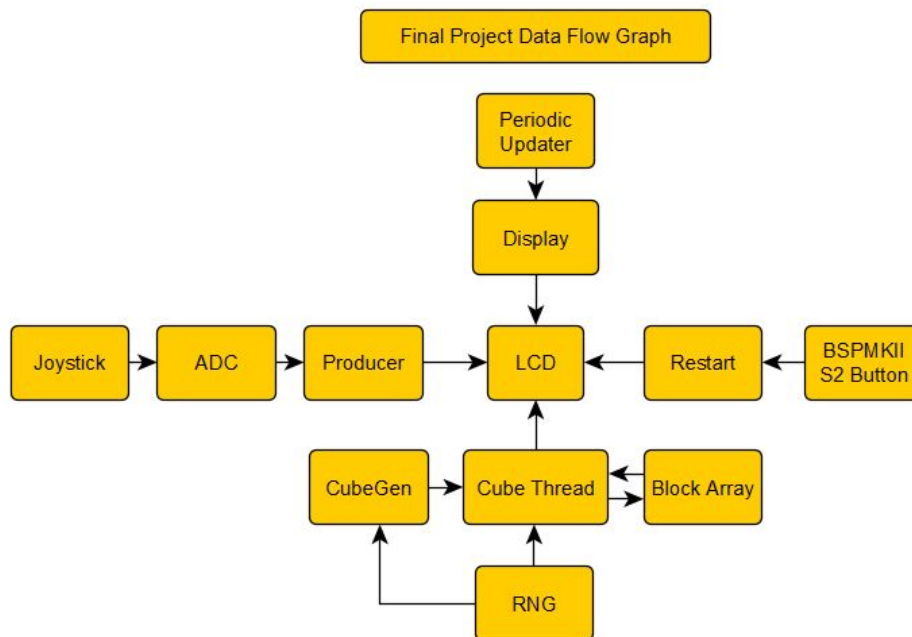
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Team Responsibilities

Team members got together to work collectively during the entire design and implementation. Josh was responsible for transcribing the code as the team worked and focused on cube generation. Trace handled the editing and construction of the report as well as debugging. Jon was responsible for understanding and summarizing how the random number generator is used and implemented semaphore usage. Justin led the team in debugging techniques and focused on the LCD_Update function.

Flow Diagram



Random Number Generator

The code used to generate random numbers in this application involved the use of a linear feedback shift register(LFSR) as outlined by the provided Maxim Integrated link. A LFSR is used to pseudo randomly generate a sequence of numbers. Initially, the register is provided a seed value. This seed value is the first output generated by the register. On every clock cycle, the system will use a mask to select specific output bits. These bits are then exclusively ored with each other and the result is fed back into the register. The register then shifts all bits over by 1 position. During this shifting procedure, the most significant bit is replaced with the previously calculated xor result and the least significant bit is dropped. By following this procedure, the LFSR is able to generate a pseudo random sequence of numbers. To further randomize the number generated, this project makes use of two different LFSRs. The output of these two LFSRs are xored together and a subset of the bits were used as the result.

Methods for Preventing Deadlock

To prevent deadlock and race conditions, semaphores were used. Semaphores were used to prevent multiple threads from accessing a shared resource at the same time. This process was used to protect both physical and software based resources. For example, an LCD semaphore was used to restrict access to the LCD. By restricting access in this way, only one thread was able to write to the LCD at a time. In addition to this semaphore, semaphores were also used to protect the “score” and “life” variables. Whenever these variables were incremented or decremented, they were first blocked so that other threads could not read or modify the data while the variables were being changed. To control thread access and prevent deadlocking, blocking semaphores were used in a dynamic priority scheduled system.

Hit Detection

| | | | | | |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| 21,20 | 42,20 | 63,20 | 84,20 | 105,20 | 126,20 |
| 21,40 | 42,40 | 63,40 | 84,40 | 105,40 | 126,40 |
| 21,60 | 42,60 | 63,60 | 84,60 | 105,60 | 126,60 |
| 21,80 | 42,80 | 63,80 | 84,80 | 105,80 | 126,80 |
| 21,100 | 42,100 | 63,100 | 84,100 | 105,100 | 126,100 |
| 21,120 | 42,120 | 63,120 | 84,120 | 105,120 | 126,120 |

LCD Block Array Positions
X,Y

The table above illustrates how the LCD screen was split. It was divided into a series of blocks. Each block on the screen could be occupied by one of the cubes or it could remain empty.

CROSSSIZE = 5

Crosshair draw:

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BSP_LCD_DrawFastVLine(x, y - 4, 9, color);  
BSP_LCD_DrawFastHLine(x-4, y, 9, color);
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The code above shows the code used to draw the LCD cross hair.

Hit detection explanation

| Code | Description | Collision |
|---|---|-----------|
| $y \leq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[Y] + 20$ | Crosshair vertical position \leq Cube Vertical Position | Top |
| $y \geq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[Y]$ | Crosshair vertical position \geq Cube Vertical Position | Bottom |
| $x - \text{CROSSSIZE} \leq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[X] + 21$ | Crosshair horizontal position with offset \leq Cube Horizontal Position | Right |
| $x + \text{CROSSSIZE} \geq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[X]$ | Crosshair horizontal position with offset \geq Cube Horizontal Position | Left |
| OR | Other Collision Possibilities | N/A |
| $x \leq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[X] + 21$ | Crosshair horizontal position \leq Cube Horizontal Position | Right |
| $x \geq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[X]$ | Crosshair horizontal position \geq Cube Horizontal Position | Left |
| $y - \text{CROSSSIZE} \leq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[Y] + 21$ | Crosshair vertical position with offset \leq Cube Vertical Position | Top |
| $y + \text{CROSSSIZE} \geq \text{BlockArray}[\text{CubeX}][\text{CubeY}].\text{position}[Y]$ | Crosshair vertical position with offset \geq Cube Vertical Position | Bottom |

The table above shows the different checks that were performed to avoid cube collisions.

Video

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_MfCN8_hLagBld3wF2-Y1AOYIkXG6eZN/view?usp=sharing

Survey Responses

Jon's Response:

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Justin Vaughn Javier:

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