

ELC 2080

RTOS Communicating Tasks Project

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1-System Design

- We planned to produce a consistent chance of obtaining any value between two boundaries. For every task, we built a callback function and a timer. The tasks have semaphore take operations, which cause them to block until the timer runs out and the callback function releases the semaphore, whereas the callback function includes a semaphore release operation. Although we considered creating four semaphores for each task. There are three sender tasks; task number three is of higher priority than the other two, which are of equal Priority. The receiver task has a higher priority than the sender tasks and includes a timer and a callback function with a 100 ms period.
- Messages are sent and received from a common queue that has a fixed size of three spots initially, and ten spots later. The task's sleep time is defined as the amount of time the timer takes to fire the callback function. Upon the startup of the callback function, the task proceeds based to its priority and is submitted to the scheduler. We put in place a reset function that resets sent, received, and blocked message counters. Additionally, it determines if the array limit for period boundaries has been reached. The program ends with "Game Over" message and closes the kit if this limit is reached.

Sender Task

```
static void vSenderTask1(void *pvParameters) {
    while (1) {
        TickType_t startTime = xTaskGetTickCount();
        TaskType_t xTaskMode1 = pdPASS;
        TickType_t xTaskMode2 = pdPASS;
        xTaskMode1 = xTaskGetTickCount();
        xSemaphoreTake(xSenderSemaphore, portMAX_DELAY);
        new_message[0] = xTaskGetTickCount();
        if (xQueueSend(xQueue, message, 0) == pdPASS) {
            trace_printf("message\n");
            totalSent++;
            sentCount++;
            totalSentTime += (xTaskGetTickCount() - startTime);
        } else {
            totalBlocked++;
            blocked1++;
        }
    }
}
```

- To guarantee that we add the difference time to calculate the average sent time
- Update all Task1 counters

Receiver Task

```
static void vReceiverTask(void *pvParameters) {
    while (1) {
        xSemaphoreTake(xReceiverSemaphore, portMAX_DELAY);
        char receivedMessage[20];
        if (xQueueReceive(xQueue, receivedMessage, 0) == pdPASS) {
            totalReceived++;
            trace_printf("total received-%i\n", totalReceived);
        }
    }
}
```

We print the total received to make sure that the sending and receiving process is in progress without errors

Reset Function

```
void vReset(void) {
    trace_printf("iteration number: %i\n", tSleep_index);
    trace_printf("total sent: %i\n", totalSent);
    trace_printf("total blocked: %i\n", totalBlocked);
    trace_printf("sender task 1: sent: %i\n", sentCount1);
    trace_printf("sender task 1: blocked: %i\n", blocked1);
    trace_printf("sender task 2: sent: %i\n", sentCount2);
    trace_printf("sender task 2: blocked: %i\n", blocked2);
    trace_printf("sender task 3: sent: %i\n", sentCount3);
    trace_printf("sender task 3: blocked: %i\n", blocked3);
    uint32_t averageTime1 = totalSentTime1 / sentCount1;
    trace_printf("average message time sent (sender task 1): %i ticks\n", averageTime1);
    uint32_t averageTime2 = totalSentTime2 / sentCount2;
    trace_printf("average message time sent (sender task 2): %i ticks\n", averageTime2);
    uint32_t averageTime3 = totalSentTime3 / sentCount3;
    trace_printf("average message time sent (sender task 3): %i ticks\n", averageTime3);
    uint32_t averageTotal = (averageTime1 + averageTime2 + averageTime3) / 3;
    trace_printf("average message time sent (total): %i ticks\n", averageTotal);
}
```

To show the statistics and then we reset the all counters to be ready to the next iteration

```
if (tSleep_index == 6) {
    char mess[] = "Game Over";
    trace_puts(mess);
    exit(0);
}
```

to stop the program after end all iterations

Sender Callback Function

```
static void Sender3TimerCallback(TimerHandle_t xTimer) {
    xSemaphoreGive(xSender3Semaphore);
    xTimerChangePeriod(xSenderTimer3, getRandomSenderPeriod(), 0);
}
```

To make sure the timer updates the period to confirm that we use random period after each call

Receiver Callback Function

```
static void prvReceiverTimerCallback(TimerHandle_t xTimer) {
    xSemaphoreGive(xReceiverSemaphore);
    if (totalReceived >= 1000) {
        vReset();
    }
}
```

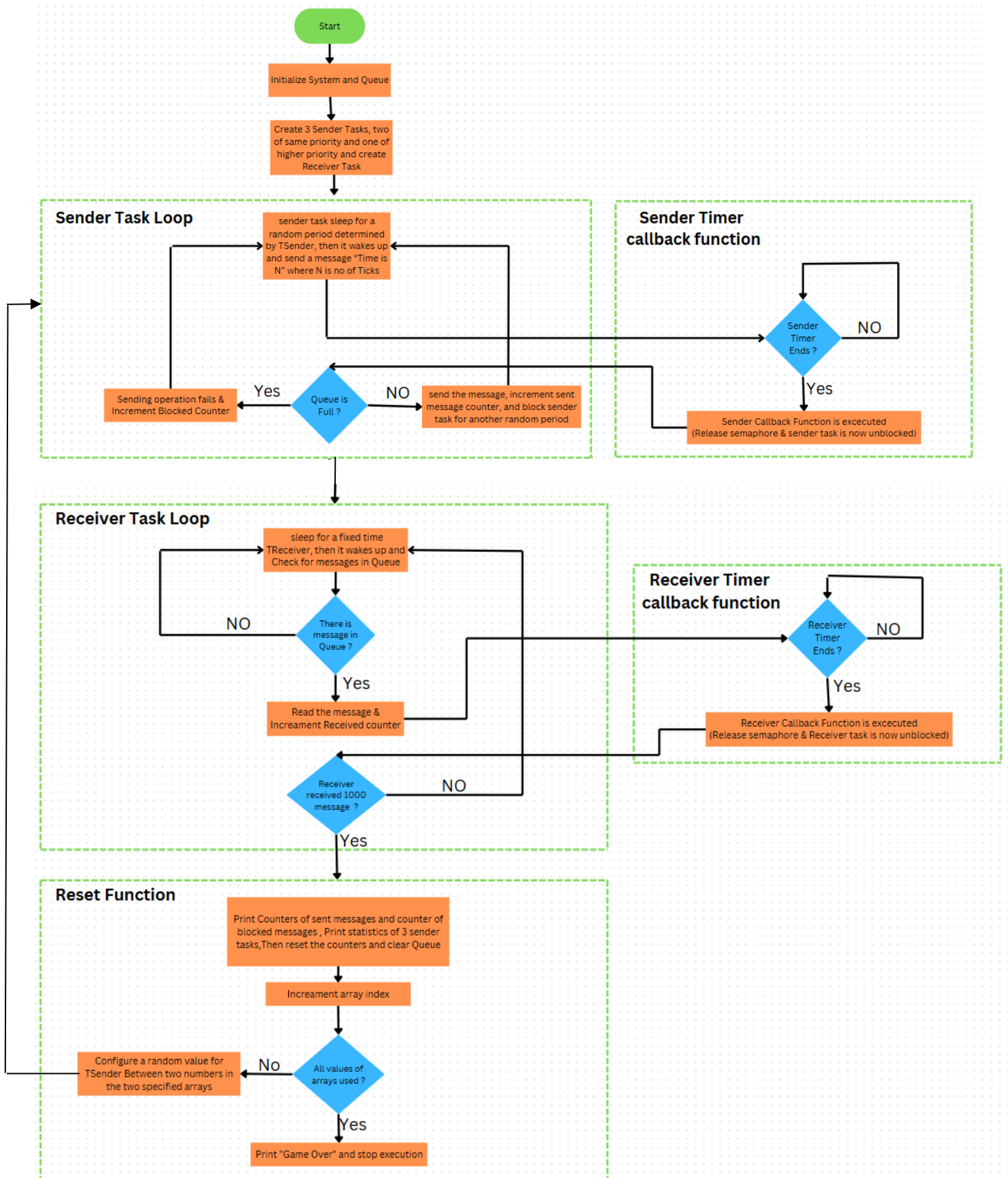
To stop after 1000 messages to move to next iteration

Random Period

```
Function to generate random period for [sender]
uint32_t getRandomSenderPeriod(void) {
    return (rand() % (TSLEEP_MAX[tSleep_index] - TSLEEP_MIN[tSleep_index] + 1)) + TSLEEP_MIN[tSleep_index];
}
```

To get a random value between the determined ranges

Design Flow: [Link here](#)



2-Results and discussion

Queue of size 3

Iteration	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
Sender 1	Sent (321) Blocked (660) Avg time (103)	Sent (346) Blocked (359) Avg time (143)	Sent (304) Blocked (251) Avg time (182)	Sent (341) Blocked (110) Avg time (223)	Sent (336) Blocked (54) Avg time (259)	Sent (329) Blocked (5) Avg time (302)
Sender 2	Sent (360) Blocked (644) Avg time (100)	Sent (324) Blocked (392) Avg time (140)	Sent (342) Blocked (223) Avg time (181)	Sent (339) Blocked (116) Avg time (224)	Sent (333) Blocked (53) Avg time (262)	Sent (338) Blocked (6) Avg time (294)
Sender 3	Sent (321) Blocked (660) Avg time (103)	Sent (332) Blocked (383) Avg time (140)	Sent (356) Blocked (202) Avg time (180)	Sent (322) Blocked (125) Avg time (228)	Sent (333) Blocked (52) Avg time (262)	Sent (334) Blocked (5) Avg time (297)

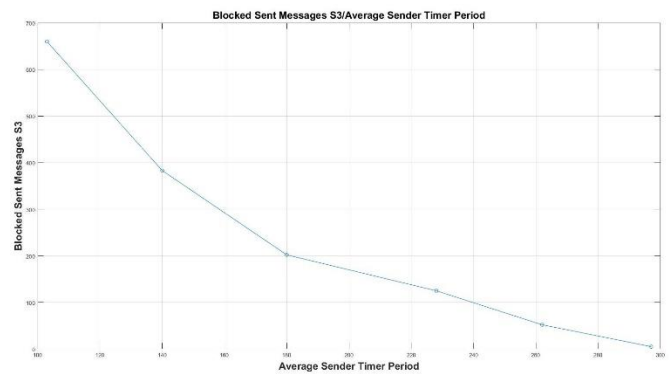
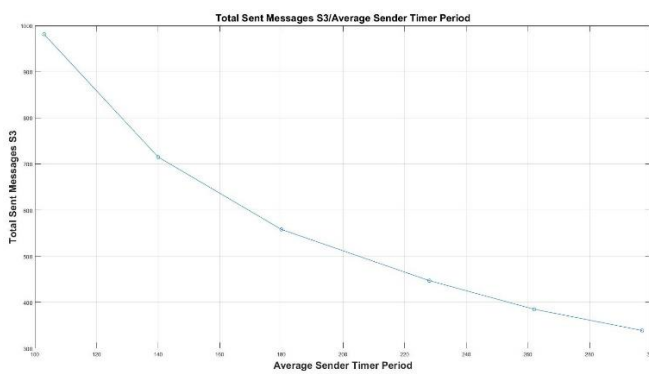
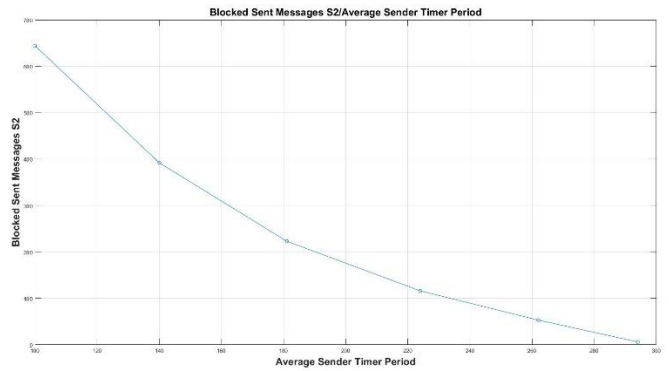
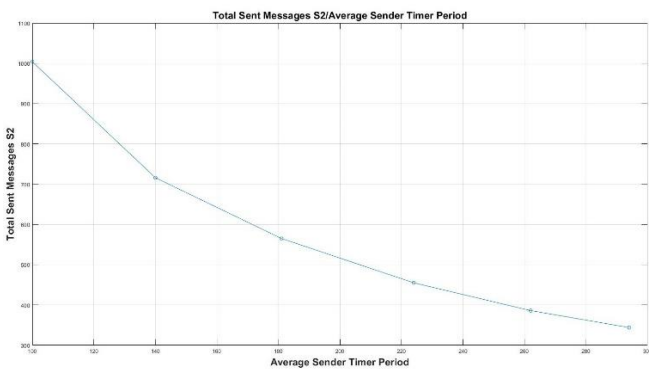
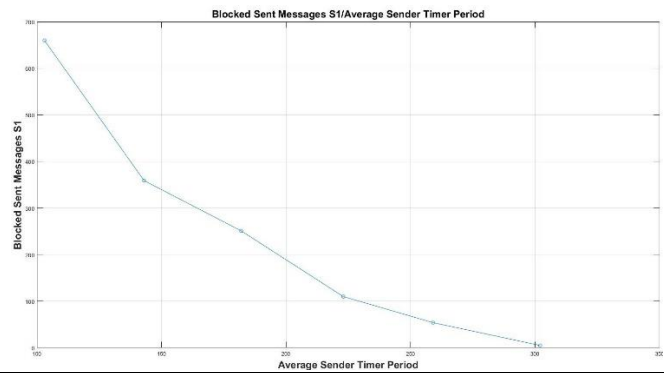
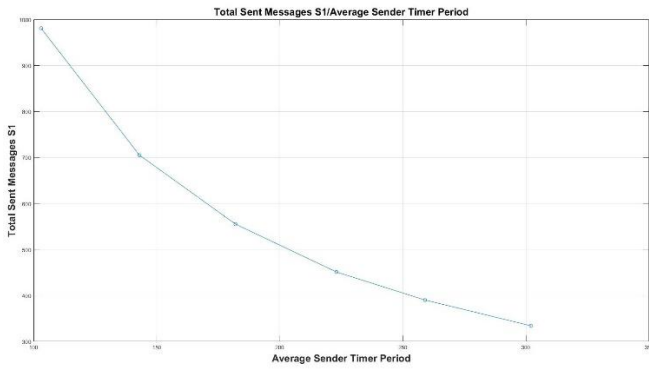
Queue of size 10

Iteration	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
Sender 1	Sent (329) Blocked (689) Avg time (100)	Sent (339) Blocked (378) Avg time (140)	Sent (319) Blocked (235) Avg time (180)	Sent (334) Blocked (115) Avg time (226)	Sent (323) Blocked (60) Avg time (262)	Sent (338) Blocked (0) Avg time (298)
Sender 2	Sent (333) Blocked (660) Avg time (100)	Sent (312) Blocked (409) Avg time (140)	Sent (343) Blocked (207) Avg time (181)	Sent (333) Blocked (117) Avg time (225)	Sent (353) Blocked (35) Avg time (259)	Sent (335) Blocked (0) Avg time (300)
Sender 3	Sent (347) Blocked (662) Avg time (99)	Sent (358) Blocked (352) Avg time (142)	Sent (347) Blocked (210) Avg time (180)	Sent (342) Blocked (115) Avg time (222)	Sent (333) Blocked (51) Avg time (261)	Sent (333) Blocked (1) Avg time (302)

- From the above tables we can realize that the larger the period we have, the less number of messages is blocked. We have lower bound which is increased by 30 ms and higher bound which is increased by 50 ms so we have difference about 20 ms from each interval and each previous one.
- The maximum number of sent messages in a queue of size three is 1002, because when the receiver receives 1000 messages, there will be two empty seats in the queue, allowing two senders to send messages at that time.
- In a queue of size ten, the maximum number of sent messages is 1009, because when the receiver receives 1000 messages, there will be nine empty seats in the queue, allowing each sender to send three more messages.
- And as we can see, all senders with queue sizes of 3 and 10 have roughly the same amount of messages sent. This is because each of the three senders has a nearly equal random period, although it varies by roughly 5 ms.
- The same is true for the messages that are blocked.

Graphs:

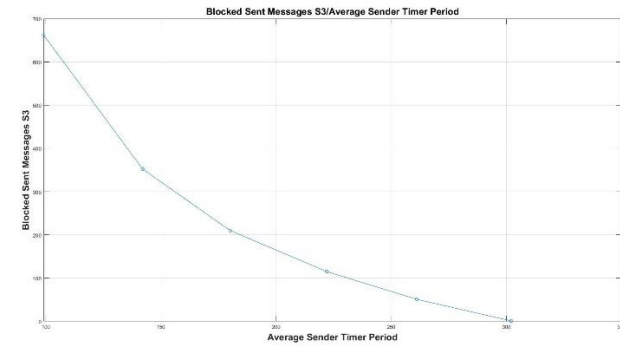
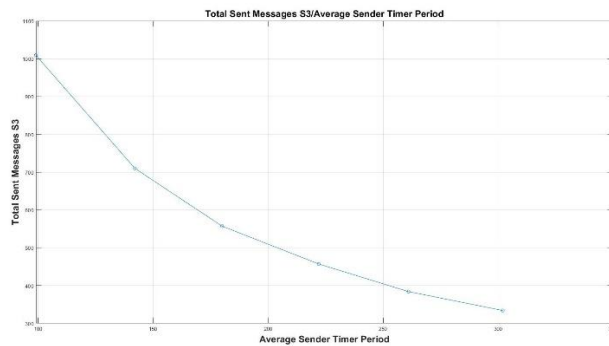
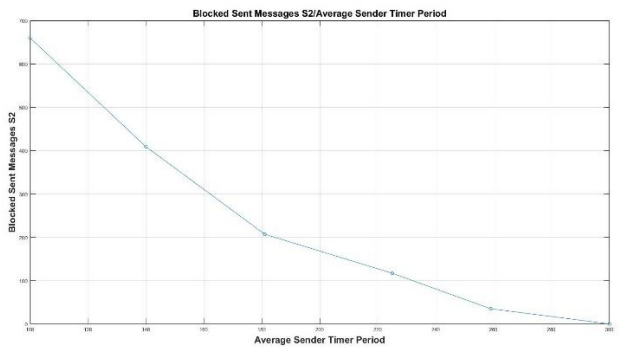
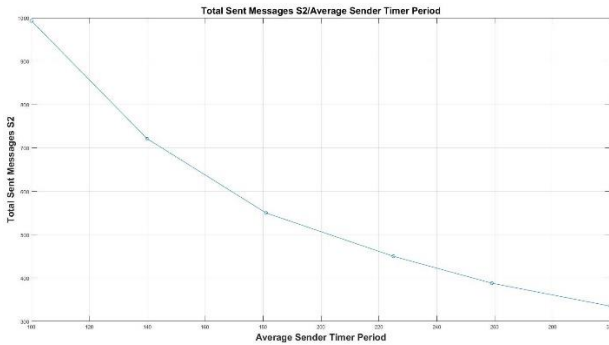
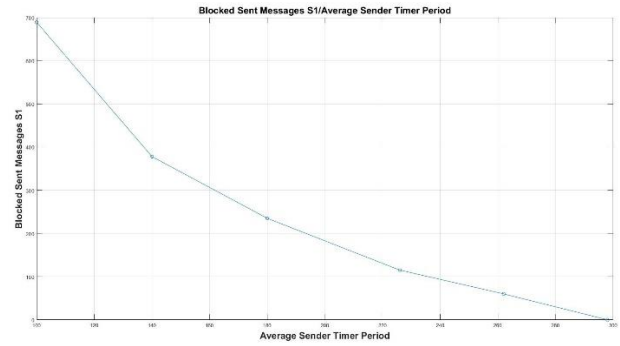
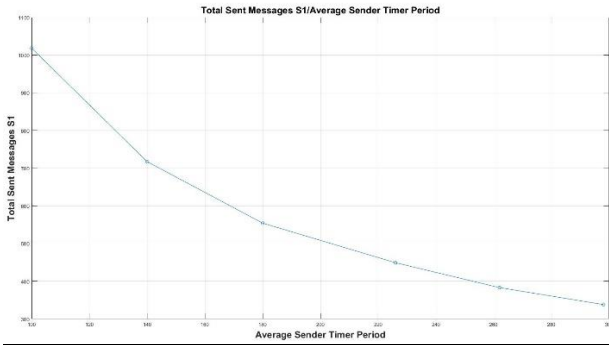
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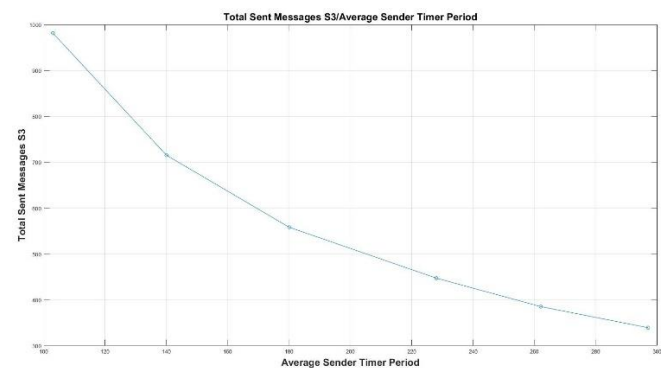
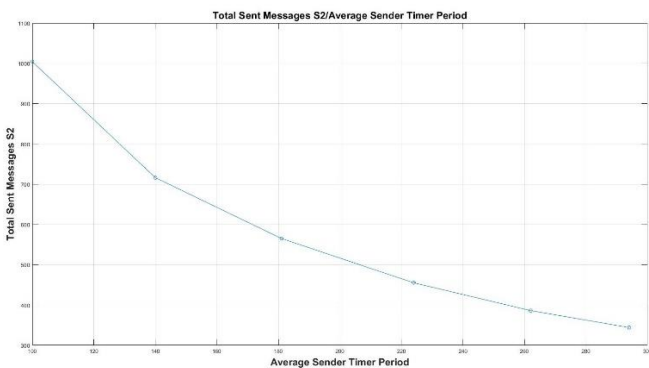
Explain the gap between the number of sent and received messages in the running period.

- A small **queue size** causes it to fill up quickly, blocking messages because there isn't enough space to hold them. This results in more messages being sent than being received in a given amount of time.
- **Prioritization and timers** used by each task to control the sending and receiving of messages. Sending and receiving messages in perfect timing can be challenging due to the random periods that are generated for each task. There may be a brief pause because higher priority tasks are more likely to send messages first.
- The gap gets smaller over **multiple iterations** as the queue size grows. Greater queue size results in fewer blocked messages and a shorter time interval between sent and received messages because there is more space for incoming messages.

Queue of size 10



Comparasion between task of higher and lower priority (Queue of size 3)



- As we can see, they don't usually meet because of the random value of the period, but when they do, it's for a task with a higher priority.

3-References

<https://www.freertos.org/>