

Watchdogs

Please follow the steps precisely in order to complete the objectives of the assignment.

1. Create a **producer** task that takes 1 temperature sensor value every 1ms.
 - After collecting 100 samples (after 100ms), compute the average.
 - Write average value every 100ms (avg. of 100 samples) to a **sensor queue**.
 - Use medium priority for this task (see `util/rtos.hpp`)
 - See `examples/Temperature` for an example on how to use the temperature sensor driver.
2. Create a **consumer** task that pulls the data off the **sensor queue**.
 - Use infinite timeout value during queue receive API
 - Open a file, **sensor.txt**, and append the data to an output file on the SD card.
 - Save the data in this format: `printf("%i, %i\n", time, temperature);`
 - Note that if you write and close a file every 100ms, it may be very inefficient, so try to come up with a better method such that the file is only written once a second or so ...
 - Use medium priority for this task.
3. At the end of the loop of each task, set a bit using FreeRTOS event group API.
 - At the end of each loop of the tasks, set a bit using the `xEventGroupSetBits()`
 - Task 1 should set bit 1, Task 2 should set bit 2 etc ...
4. Create a **watchdog** task that monitors the operation of the two tasks.
 - Use high priority for this task.
 - Wait 1 second for all of the task bits to be set. If there are two tasks, wait for bit1, and bit2 etc...
 - If you fail to detect the bits are set, that means that the other tasks did not reach the end of the loop.
 - In the event that a task failed to set its event group bit, append to a file, **stuck.txt**, with the information about which task is "stuck"
 - Open the file, append the data, and close the **stuck.txt** file to flush out the data immediately.
5. Create a terminal command to "suspend" and "resume" a task by name.
 - "task suspend task1" should suspend a task named "task1"
 - "task resume task2" should suspend a task named "task2"
 - Use the `examples/CommandLine` project as an
6. Run the system, and under normal operation, you will see a file being saved with sensor data values.
 - Plot the file data in Excel to demonstrate the variation in the data.
 - Make sure the data has some variation. This can be done by touching the top of the temperature sensor.
7. Suspend the producer task. The watchdog task should display a message and save relevant info to the SD card.

8. Let the system run for a while, and note down the CPU usage in your text file.

What you created is a "software watchdog". This means that in an event when a loop is stuck, or a task is frozen, you can save relevant information such that you can debug at a later time.

You may use any built in libraries for this lab assignment.

For File I/O refer examples/FileIO project

And the API documentation here: http://elm-chan.org/fsw/ff/00index_e.html

Extra Credit

Every sixty seconds, save the CPU usage info to a file named cpu.txt. See command "info" as a reference.

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