

# ECE 2049: LECTURE 14

## TODAY

- EXAM REVIEW
- CLASS DISCUSSION

## OFFICE HOURS

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- TODAY: 2-4PM, 5-7PM EDT
- FRIDAY: 2-4PM, ~~FOR WHOEVER IS ONLINE~~  
I'M ONLINE
- SUNDAY: 2-4PM + ↑
- MONDAY: 5-7PM + ↓

## ADMINISTRIVIA

- Exam 2: OUT TODAY DUE: MONDAY 7/12 BY 11:59PM EDT

- SEE CANVAS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DETAILS

## LAB 2

- SIGNOFF DUE Mon (7/12) BY ~~11:59PM EDT~~ 7PM EDT
  - REPORT DUE Tue (7/13) BY 11:59 PM EDT
- GRADES FOR EVERYTHING EXCEPT LAB 2: Tomorrow
- COURSE EVALUATIONS!
  - LOOK FOR AN EMAIL (+ ONE FROM ME)

- IF YOU HAVE OUTSTANDING WORK OTHER THAN  
LAB 2, AND YOU HAVE NOT CONTACTED ME ALREADY,  
YOU SHOULD DO SO ASAP.

## Exam 2 Topics

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### LW 4-6 LECTURE 8 onward

- CLOCKS
- INTERRUPTS + HOW THEY WORK
- TIMERS
  - READ/WRITE CONFIG
  - UTC TIME CONVERSION
  - USING THE TIMER ~~FOR~~ VARIABLE  
(GLOBAL COUNT)
- ADCs
  - CONCEPTS: NOT REQUIRED TO KNOW HOW TO READ/WRITE ADC 12 CONFIG.
  - SENSOR DATA  $\leftrightarrow$  VOLTAGE  $\leftrightarrow$  CODES
  - REASONING ABOUT SENSORS
- Power modes
- Basic CONCEPTS ABOUT DIGITAL INTERFACES

ECE2049 -- PRACTICE EXAM #2  
Clocks, Timers, and Digital I/O

Study HW3, Class Notes, Davies Ch 2.6, 5.8, 8, 9.2-3, 9.7,  
MSP43F5529 User's Guide Ch 5, 17, 28

Work all problems with your note sheet first THEN look at solutions!

1. Answer the questions below completely. (25 pts)

- a. What are the default frequencies for ACLK, MCLK and SMCLK on the MSP430F5529 after power up? What is the purpose of these various clock signals (i.e. What are they used for)?

$ACLK = 32768 \text{ Hz}$   
 $SMCLK = 1.048576 \text{ MHz}$   
 $MCLK = 1.048576 \text{ MHz}$  - CONTROLS CPU EXECUTION.

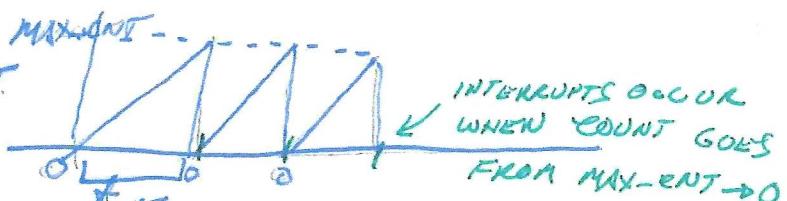
CAN BE USED BY PERIPHERALS

- b. How does the CPU know where to go on an interrupt? How does it find the correct ISR?

THE INTERRUPT VECTOR TABLE 'MAPS'  
EACH HARDWARE INTERRUPT (EX. TIMER A2, I/O PORT 1,  
TO THE ADDRESS OF ITS ISR SPI, ETC)  
IN CODE MEMORY.

- c. Explain the operation of a Timer in "up mode" (ie. What happens to the timer count? When is an interrupt triggered?).

IN UP MODE, THE TIMER COUNTS FROM 0-MAX-ENT.



- d. True or False: The operation of peripherals like the Timers or ADC12 causes a big drain on CPU speed. Why or why not?

FALSE! TIMERS + THE ADC ARE HARDWARE PERIPHERALS - THEY OPERATE INDEPENDENTLY OF THE CPU!

- e. True or False: Interrupt Service Routines (ISRs) should be kept short because the CPU will stop executing them after 255 instructions.

False! ISRS CAN TAKE A LONG TIME, BUT YOU WILL HAVE ISSUES IF IT DOES NOT

FINISH BEFORE THE NEXT ONE ARRIVES.

2a.

## TIMER A2

$$TA2CTL = TASSEL + MC - 1 + ID - 0$$

↘ DIVIDE BY 1  
 ↗ UP MODE

→ CLOCK SOURCE = ACLK = 32768 Hz

$$TA2CLK0 = 16383$$

$$TA2CTL0 = CCIE$$

SINCE UP MODE

$$T_{INT} = \frac{(\text{MAX-CNT} + 1)}{\text{fclk}} \quad \begin{matrix} \checkmark \text{ KNOW} \\ \text{fclk } \checkmark \text{ KNOW} \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{(16383 + 1)}{32768} = \frac{16384}{32768} = \boxed{0.5 \mu\text{s}}$$

b.

CONTINUOUS MODE

$$T_{INT} = \frac{2^{16}}{\text{fclk}} = \frac{2^{16}}{32768} \frac{\text{TICKS}}{\text{TICKS/SEC}} = \frac{65536}{32768} = 2.0 \text{ SEC}$$

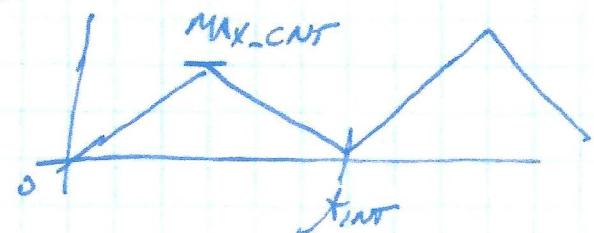
IN CONTINUOUS MODE,  
 ALWAYS COUNT TO  
 MAXIMUM TIMER VALUE.

UP-DOWN MODE!

$$T_{INT} = \frac{(2 * \text{MAX-CNT})}{\text{fclk}}$$

$$T_{INT} = \frac{(2 * 24000)}{32768} = \frac{48000 \text{ TICKS}}{32768 \text{ TICKS/SEC}} \approx$$

$$\approx \boxed{1.4648 \text{ SEC}}$$



2c. SET REGISTERS TO USE SMCLK<sub>Y</sub> TO COUNT INTERVALS OF 25ms.

$$f_{SMCLK} = 1.048576 \text{ MHz}$$

$$t_{INT} = \frac{\text{MAX-CNT}+1}{f_{CLK}}$$

↑                      f<sub>CLK</sub> ← KNOW

$$1\text{ms} = 0.001\text{s} \quad \text{KNOW}$$

$$25\text{ms} = 0.025\text{s}$$

$$25\text{ms} = \frac{\text{MAX-CNT}+1}{1.048576 \text{ MHz}} \frac{\text{TICKS}}{\text{TICKS/SEC}}$$

$$\text{MAX-CNT}+1 = [26214.4] \div 26214$$

$$\text{MAX-CNT} = 26214 \boxed{26213} \text{ TICKS}$$

Qd. FAST OR SLOW?

HOW LONG UNTIL OFF BY 0.025s (25ms)?

REPORTED TIME: TIME ~~YOU INTEND TO~~ = 25ms  
ISR TO EXECUTE

ACTUAL TIME: PLUG MAX-CNT INTO EQUATION  
+ FIND t<sub>INT</sub> AGAIN

$$\text{ACTUAL } t_{INT} = \frac{26213 \text{ TICKS} + 1}{1.048576 \text{ TICKS/SEC}} \approx 0.02499962 \text{ SECONDS}$$

t<sub>INT</sub> ACTUAL < t<sub>INT</sub>, REPORTED, ∴ TIMER IS FAST

HOW LONG UNTIL OFF BY 0.025 SEC?

$$\text{TOTAL DIFF} = |(X \text{ INTERRUPTS})(t_{INT, \text{REPORTED}} - t_{INT, \text{ACTUAL}})|$$

$$0.025\text{s} = |(X)(0.025 - 0.02499962...)|$$

$$X = 65535.999 \approx 65536 \text{ INTERRUPTS UNTIL OFF}$$

$$(65536 \text{ INTERRUPTS}) \left( \frac{0.025 \text{ SEC}}{1 \text{ SEC}} \right) = \boxed{1638.4 \text{ SEC}}$$

FOR MORE ON  
TIMERS, SEE HW6  
SOLUTIONS, AND  
LECTURE 13.

(IN ADDITION TO  
HW5 AND TIMER  
LECTURES)

**Problem 3:** Accelerometers are used for a variety of applications including determining orientation, detecting vibrations, or as components of navigation systems. Accelerometers provide output in g's, which is acceleration relative to the force of gravity. Let's say we want to use accelerometer as single-axis tilt sensor to measure the orientation of a device. We can use the accelerometer readings to measure tilt as shown in the examples below:



An older version of the ECE2049 lab boards had a ADXL335 3-axis accelerometer, which provides three output signals  $X_{out}$ ,  $Y_{out}$ , and  $Z_{out}$  as analog outputs with output voltages that correspond to the acceleration along each axis. For this problem, we only need to read the output on the z-axis, which provides enough information to measure tilt (as shown in the examples).

For this problem, assume that  $V_{CC}$  for the sensor is 3V.  $V_{CC}$  on the MSP30 is still 3.3V.

- The datasheet for the ADXL335 is provided on the course website. The datasheet assumes that the chip has a source voltage of 3V. Using this assumption, what is the measurement range (in g) and sensitivity (ie. resolution, in mV/g) of the ADXL335?
- Write an equation to express the voltage output ~~voltage~~ of the sensor (on the z axis) in terms of acceleration (in g). (Hint: You will also need to the *bias voltage*; or the voltage at a reading of 0g based on the datasheet.)
- What ADC12 reference voltage would you select in order to measure acceleration over the full measurement range of the sensor?
- What voltage would the sensor output for a tilt of 45 degrees? Using the reference voltage you selected in part (c), what is the ADC12 output for this voltage?
- Assume that the ADC12 has already been configured using the reference voltage you selected. Write a C function `calc_tilt` that converts the ADC12 output code to a tilt angle from 0 to 180 degrees—you can assume that the standard library functions in `math.h` are available.  
(For this part, you can also assume that the ADC12 output is always within  $\pm 1g$ .)

### 3. ADC PROBLEM: ADXL335

RANGE  $\pm 3.6g$

RESOLUTION  $300 \mu V/g$

$$V_{out} = AX + B$$

~~V<sub>out</sub> (approximate)~~

$$V_{out} = (300 \mu V/g)(input) + 1.5V$$

$$V_{out} = (300 \mu V/g)(z_{out}) + 1.5V$$

CHECK MEASUREMENT RANGE.

$$+3.6g : (300 \mu V/g)(3.6) + 1.5V = 2.58V$$

$$-3.6g : (300 \mu V/g)(-3.6) + 1.5V = -4.2V$$

$-4.2V - 2.58V$

1. REFERENCE VOLTAGE?

$$V_{REF-} = 0V \quad V_{REF+} = 1.5V, 2.5V, \boxed{3.3V}$$

~~2.58V > 2.5V~~ SO PICK 3.3V TO COVER WHOLE RANGE OF SENSOR.

~~IF MEASUREMENT RANGE IS ONLY  $\pm 1g$ .~~

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} -1g \Rightarrow .2V \\ +1g \Rightarrow 1.8V \end{array} \right\} \text{IN THIS CASE COULD PICK } 2.5V.$$

d. FIND  $V_{OUT}$ , ADC CODE FOR.  
TILT OF  $45^\circ$

$$Z_{OUT} = 0.707 \text{ } \Omega \quad (\text{From } \cancel{\text{Block Diagram}} \text{ DESCRIPTION})$$

PROB.

$$V_{OUT} = (360 \text{ mV/g}) (0.707) + 1.5V \\ = 1.7121V$$

FOR OUR CONFIG:

$$K = 12$$

$$REF = (0V, \frac{3.3V}{2}) \text{ CODE} = \left\lfloor \frac{(V_{IN} - V_{REF-})}{V_{REF+} - V_{REF-}} (2^K - 1) \right\rfloor$$

$$= \left\lfloor \frac{1.7121V}{3.3V} (2^{12} - 1) \right\rfloor$$

~~STANDARD FORMULA~~  
~~FOR 12-BIT~~

$$= [2124, 56] = \boxed{2124}$$

$$\text{CODE} = \frac{V_{IN}}{3.3V} (2^{12} - 1)$$

$$\text{CODE} = V_{IN} \left( \frac{2^{12} - 1}{3.3V} \right)$$

$$V_{IN} = \text{CODE} \left( \frac{3.3V}{2^{12} - 1} \right)$$

FOR THE NEXT PART, WE NEED TO  
REWRITE EQUATIONS SO WE CAN USE IN OUR CODE:

$$\hookrightarrow V_{OUT} = (300 \text{ mV/g}) (F_Z) + 1.5V$$

$$F_Z = \frac{V_{OUT} - 1.5}{(360 \text{ mV/g})}$$

## INFO ON FINDING THE TILT ANGLE

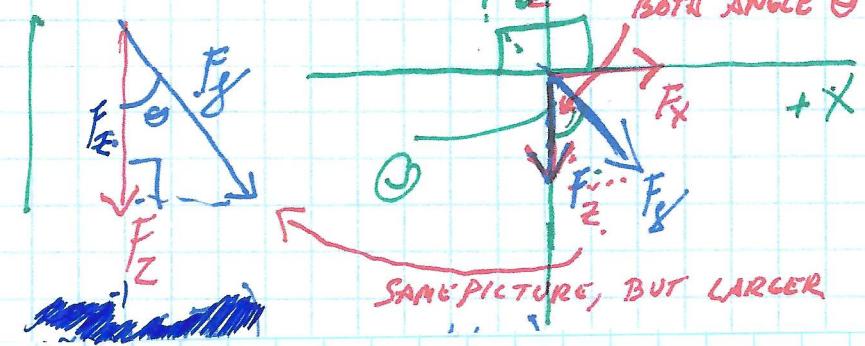
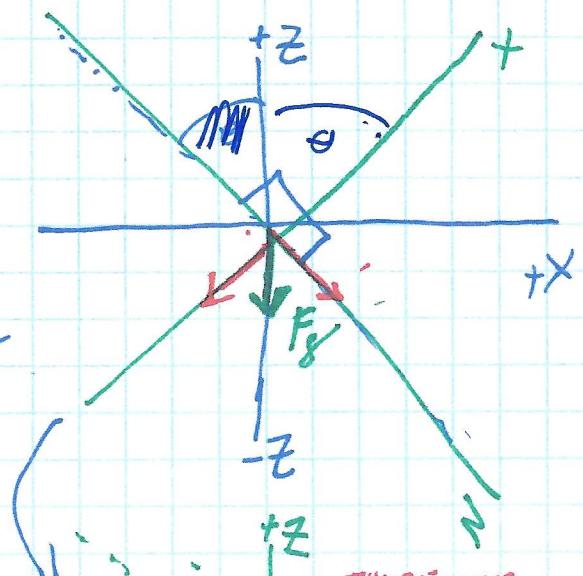
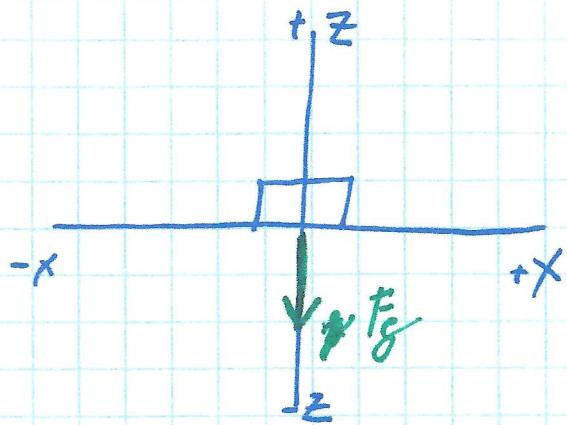
(1)

AT REST, THE SENSOR JUST READS THE FORCE DUE TO GRAVITY ( $1g$ ).

AT REST, THE SENSOR WILL READ THIS AS  $1g$  ON THE Z-AXIS.

(2) IF WE TILT THE SENSOR, BY SOME ANGLE  $\theta$ , THE FORCE OBSERVED ON THE Z-AXIS CHANGES.

WE CAN MORE EASILY VISUALIZE THIS BY REDRAWING OUR COORDINATE SYSTEM IN TERMS OF WHAT THE SENSOR SEES (GREEN AXES).



$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{F_x}{F_g}\right) = \cos^{-1}(F_z)$$

SO TO FIND THE TILT ANGLE, WE CAN JUST COMPUTE:

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}(F_z)$$

## Part e

```
#include <math.h>

// Equation constants
// Optional: this example uses the 'f' suffix on decimal numbers
// to make absolutely sure the compiler interprets the constant as a
// float (this isn't strictly required, but is often a good idea)
#define VOLTS_PER_BIT      (0.0007326007f) // (3.0/4095)
#define VOLTS_PER_G        (0.300f)
#define ZERO_OFFSET_VOLTS (1.5f)

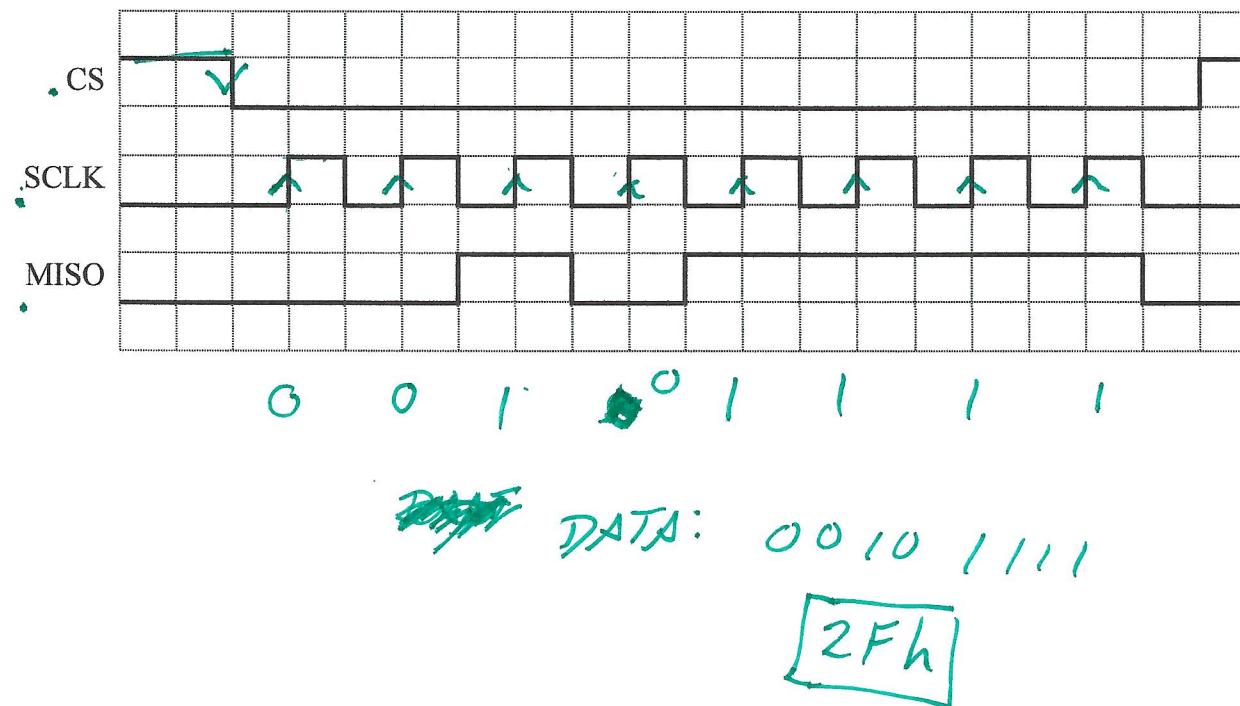
float calc_tilt(unsigned int adc_code)
{
    float v_adc = ((float)adc_code) * VOLTS_PER_BIT;
    float gees = (v_adc - ZERO_OFFSET_VOLTS)/VOLTS_PER_G;

    // Convert to tilt angle
    // acos() returns angle in radians, so need to convert to degrees
    // This example uses acosf() which is just a version of acos that
    // operates on single-precision floats rather than double-precision.
    // M_PI is the math.h constant for pi.
    float degrees = acosf(gees) * (M_PI/180.0f);
    return degrees;
}
```

LECTURE 13

**Problem 4:** The following picture shows an 8-bit transmission over a SPI interface.

What data (in hex) is sent over the SPI bus? Assume that the data is sent with the most significant bit first, and is read on the rising edge of the clock.



## EXTRA PROBLEM

TIMER COUNT EXAMPLE

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E<sub>1</sub> - READ DATA EVERY ~~5000 ms~~<sup>200 ms</sup> FROM SOME  
• SENSOR

E<sub>2</sub> - SEND DATA OUT EVERY 5 ~~ms~~<sup>seconds</sup>

d. SELECT A TIME PERIOD!

$\Delta t_{int} = ?$  MUST BE AT LEAST 200 ms

SO THAT E<sub>1</sub> CAN OCCUR AT  
DESIGNED RATE

b. SUPPOSE  $\Delta t_{int} = 25 \text{ ms}$

$$E_1 \quad 200 \text{ ms} \quad \frac{200 \text{ ms}}{25 \text{ ms}} = 8 \text{ INTERRUPTS}$$

$$E_2 \quad 5000 \text{ ms} \quad \frac{5000 \text{ ms}}{25 \text{ ms}} = 200 \text{ INTERRUPTS}$$

```
events_example.c

1 /***** EVENTS EXAMPLE *****/
2 ***** 8 July 2021 *****/
3 *****/
4
5 #include <msp430.h>
6
7 #include "peripherals.h"
8 #include "lecture.h"
9 #include "utils/test_runner.h"
10 #include "utils/stdlib.h"
11
12 // Function Prototypes
13 void swDelay(char numLoops);
14 void runtimerA2(void);
15 void displayTime(unsigned long time);
16
17 // For this example, we have two "event" functions taht need to run
18 // at specific intervals
19 void event1(void); // Need to run every 200ms (every 8 ticks)
20 void event2(void); // Need to run every 5000ms (every 200 ticks)
21
22 // We can handle this in two ways--which one we would use in
23 // a particular scenario depends on how long each event takes to run:
24
25 // *Example 1*: Assume both event1 and event2 can run in << t_INT
26 //     - If we can do BOTH events in a shorter time than t_INT, then
27 //         we can call both events from the ISR! This requires that both event
28 //         are done before the next t_INT
29 //     Ex. What if event1 and event2 each take 1ms to run?
30 //         (1ms + 1ms) << 25ms => OK!
31
32 // *Example 2*: Assume event2 takes a long time
33 //     - If event2 takes longer than 25ms to run, we can't put it inside the
34 //       ISR
35 //       because then the ISR would not finish in time. Instead, we need to
36 //       call event2 from main() where it can take longer. We do this often
37 //       in lab for slow tasks like updating the LCD.
38 // (continued on next page)
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47
```

## events\_example.c

```
48 volatile unsigned long time_count = 0;
49
50 #pragma vector=TIMER2_A0_VECTOR
51 __interrupt void TimerA2_ISR(void) // Runs every 25ms
52 {
53     time_count++; // Increments global counter of clock ticks
54
55     // Run event1 every 8 ticks
56     // Inside the ISR, we can periodically schedule an event like this
57     if ((time_count % 8) == 0) { // Runs every 8 ticks
58         event1();
59     }
60
61     // EXAMPLE 1 ONLY (if event1 runs in << 25ms, we can also schedule it
62     // here)
63     if ((time_count % 200) == 0) { // Runs every 200 ticks
64         event2();
65     }
66
67 // Main
68 void main(void)
69 {
70     unsigned long last_event2 = 0;
71     WDTCTL = WDTPW | WDTHOLD; // Stop watchdog timer.
72
73     runtimerA2(); // Configure timer to interrupt every 25ms
74     _enable_interrupt();
75
76     while (1)
77     {
78         // Example 2, method 1: We *could* schedule event2 in main()
79         // in a similar way as in the ISR, but it might not work as we
80         // expect!
81         //
82         // The if condition (line 76) is only true at ticks
83         // 0, 200, 400, 600, ...
84         // If something else is going on in main() when timer_count == 200,
85         // (like event3) event2 won't run for this interval!
86         if ((time_count % 200) == 0) {
87             event2();
88         }
89
90         // (continued on next page)
91
92
93
```

## events\_example.c

```
94 // Example 2, Better method
95 // Instead of scheduling our event at specific values of time_count,
96 // we can instead keep track of the last time event2 was run, and
97 then
98 // run the event after enough time has elapsed
99 // Here, we store the last time event2 ran in last_event2. If
100 // If >= 200 ticks have elapsed since the last event2, we run event2
101 // This is more reliable!
102 if ((last_event2 - time_count) >= 200) {
103     event2();
104     last_event2 = time_count; // Record the current time of event2
105 }
106 // What if this other event takes 2s to run?
107 event3();
108 //
109 }
110 }
111 }
112
113 void event1(void)
114 {
115     //
116 }
117
118 void event2(void)
119 {
120     //
121 }
122
123 // . . . Other demo functions omitted . . .
124
```