

# Course Manual GSP

Fundamentals in System Programming

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## – General information

**Long name** Fundamentals in System Programming

**Approving CModule** [GSP\\_BaTIN](#)

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**Valid from** summer semester 2021

**Level** Bachelor

**Semester in the year** summer semester

**Duration** Semester

**Hours in self-study** 60

**ECTS** 5

**Professors** Prof. Dr. Lothar Thieling  
Professor Fakultät IME

**Requirements** basic skills in procedural programming  
structure and mode of operation of a simple computer  
basics in digital systems  
finite state machines  
and state transition diagrams

**Language** German

**Separate final exam** Yes

## Literature

Märtin: Rechnerarchitektur, Fachbuchverlag Leipzig (Carl Hanser)

Oberschelp/Vossen: Rechneraufbau und Rechnerstrukturen, Oldenbourg Verlag

Vogt, C: C für Java-Programmierer

Tanenbaum, Goodman: Computerarchitektur, Pearson Studium (Prentice Hall)

## Final exam

**Details** The students should demonstrate the following competencies in a written exam: 1.) Safe handling of basic concepts and mechanisms. 2.) Programming under C. 3.) Development of simple hardware drivers. 4.) Development of problem solutions using a microcontroller and real-time operating system.

**Minimum standard** At least 50% of the total number of points

**Exam Type**

EN Klausur

## – Lecture / Exercises

### Learning goals

Goal type	Description
Knowledge	basics of C-programming constants, variable,s data types expressions, statements, control structures preprocessor expressions pointers and pointer arithmetic array, structures funtions standard libraries multi-file programs with access to libraries software development tools compiler linker debugger simulator
Knowledge	hardware-related I/O programming in C functioning of digital ports access to digital ports memory-mapped I/O isolated I/O access to I/O ports using pointers access to I/O ports using driver libraries implementation of driver libraries in C bit-wise I/O and analysis of data using C
Knowledge	programming applications for measurement and control in C implementation of finite state machines in C (mealy and moore) optimization of cyclic queries on I/O-data
Knowledge	real-time operating system requirements and comparison to "normal" operating systems cooperative and preemptive multitasking priority and states of a task mutex, semaphores event-driven multitasking intertask communication via queues deadlocks and race conditions

### Special requirements

none

### Accompanying material

lecture foils (electronic),  
set of exercise  
(electronic), tool chaine  
(compile, link, debug,  
simulate), set of  
example-codes, self-  
study tutorials for the  
tool chain

### Separate exam

No

Knowledge I/O interfaces of a computer system and its use by means of C digital ports  
timer/counter (pulse width modulation, cyclic interrupt generation)  
analog-to-digital converter  
serial port  
using the I/O interfaces from C

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Knowledge interrupts  
interrupt sources and types (external, internal, hardware, software)  
interrupt management  
interrupt vector table  
interrupt service routine  
time sequence of the interrupt handling  
mechanisms for handling concurrent interrupts  
prioritization  
interruption  
problem specific use of these mechanisms  
use of interrupt driven I/O interfaces in C

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Knowledge C runtime system  
subroutine call in assembler  
stack and assembler instructions for stack manipulation  
program state backup and recovery using stack  
passing parameters to C-function using stack  
managing local variables using stack  
dynamic behavior of the stack  
interpretation of the stack contents using a debugger

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Skills explain the operation of a mikrocontroller-system (hardware and real-time operating system)

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Skills interpretation of detailed technical specifications of the I/O interfaces, so that meaningful configurations can be created

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Skills implementation of C driver libraries for various I/O interfaces including the interrupt support

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Skills specifying system behavior (derived from text documents)

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Skills development of problem solutions for measurement and control, which can be realized in C

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Skills

describe and analyze the C runtime system

### Expenditure classroom teaching

Type	Attendance (h/Wk.)
Lecture	2
Exercises (whole course)	1
Exercises (shared course)	1
Tutorial (voluntary)	0

## – Practical training

### Learning goals

Goal type	Description
Skills	refer to "Vorlesung/Übung->Lernziele->Fertigkeiten"
Skills	targeted use of the software development environment
Skills	manage complex tasks as a small team
Skills	development of problem solutions for measurement and control, which can be realized in C using mikrocontroller and real-time operating systems

### Special requirements

none

### Accompanying material

problem and task description (electronic), tool chaine (compile, link, debug, simulate), set of example-codes, self-study tutorials for the tool chain

### Separate exam

No

### Expenditure classroom teaching

Type	Attendance (h/Wk.)
Practical training	1
Tutorial (voluntary)	0