

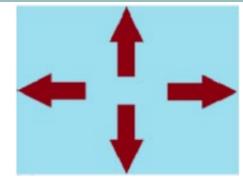
# 2024/2025 Mid-term Exam Code review

Systèmes Embarqués Microprogrammés



#### Exercise 1 Display the demo image on the bottom screen

- Show the provided demo image on the bottom screen
  - configure the background correctly (Ext. Rotoscale in 8-bit mode)
  - configure arrows.grit with correct flags
  - transfer palette and bit map to correct location



```
void configureGraphics_Sub() {
    // Configure the SUB engine in mode 5 and activate background 2
    REG_DISPCNT_SUB = MODE_5_2D | DISPLAY_BG2_ACTIVE;
    // Configure the corresponding VRAM memory bank correctly
    VRAM_C_CR = VRAM_ENABLE | VRAM_C_SUB_BG;

void configBG2_Sub() {
    // Configure background BG2 in extended rotoscale mode using 8bit
    BGCTRL_SUB[2] = BG_BMP_BASE(0) | BG_BMP8_256x256;

// Transfer image and palette to the corresponding memory locatic
    swiCopy(arrowsBitmap, BG_GFX_SUB, arrowsBitmapLen/2);
    swiCopy(arrowsPal, BG_PALETTE_SUB, arrowsPalLen/2);
```

Mode 5 / BG2 + VRAM C for sub

**BG** configuration

Bitmap/palette copy from grit header

```
// Set up affine matrix
REG_BG2PA_SUB = 256;
REG_BG2PC_SUB = 0;
REG_BG2PB_SUB = 0;
REG_BG2PD_SUB = 256;
```

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Affine transformation matrix Default values → no transf.

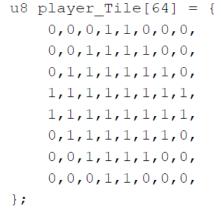
#### controls.grit

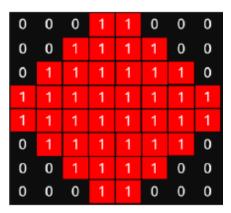
-g grit flags
-gB8
-p



#### Exercise 2 Character on main screen

- Configure the main screen in tiled mode and draw the character in center
  - Configure the background correctly
  - Construct the character's tiles
  - Fill with empty tiles (provided)
  - Draw the character in the center







- 1. Mode 5 / BG 0
- 2. VRAM A for main
- 3. BG configuration
  - separate tiles / map

Diamond tile definition



### Exercise 2 Tile copies, palette and map filling

```
// Copy the tile(s) to the VRAM
                                                       copy 2 tiles of 64 bytes,
dmaCopy(empty Tile, (u8*)BG TILE RAM(0), 64);
                                                       continuous in VRAM
dmaCopy(player Tile, (u8*)BG TILE RAM(0) + 64, 64);
// Set color(s) in the palette
                                                       Write RED to palette pos. 1
BG PALETTE[1] = RED;
                                                       (Pos. 0 is transparent color)
// Fill screen with transparent tiles
                                                       Fill the screen
for(int i=0; i<24; i++) {
                                                        screen is 24x32 tiles
    for (int j=0; j<32; j++)
        BG_MAP_RAM(1)[i*32+j] = (0;

    fill all with empty (tile 0)

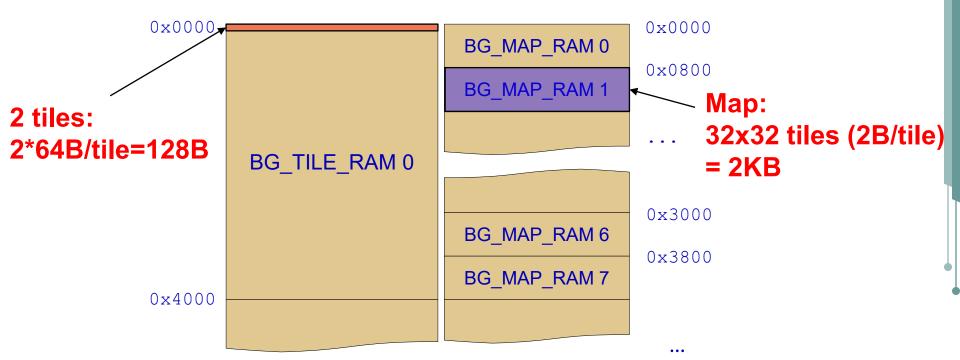
                                                         fill center with player (tile 1)
// Set the main character in the 4 central tiles of
                                                         4 central tiles:
BG MAP RAM(1) 11*32+15 = 1;
                                                           o (11, 15)
BG MAP RAM(1) 11*32+16 = 1;
                                                           o (11, 16)
BG MAP RAM(1) 12*32+15 = 1;
                                                           o (12, 15)
BG MAP RAM(1) 12*32+16
                                                           o (12, 16)
```

Note that we use **BG\_MAP\_RAM(1)** and **BG\_TILE\_RAM(0)** since we configured the BG with **BG\_MAP\_BASE(1)** | **BG\_TILE\_BASE(0)** )



### Exercise 2 Separating tiles and map in VRAM

- How the VRAM memory is mapped and used?
- BG\_TILE\_BASE(x) increases
   address multiple of 16KB (0x4000)
- BG\_MAP\_BASE(x) increases address multiple of 2KB (0x800)



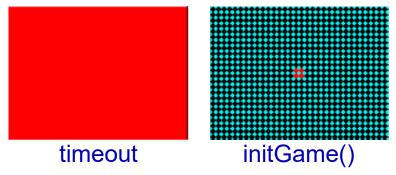
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#### Exercise 3 Use timer interrupts to initialize the game

- Use a timer to count a timeout, press X / START in time
  - Use a 200ms tick to count 3 seconds
  - Associate the *timerISR*
  - Use the best possible resolution
  - If X/START pressed → initGame()

Divider	F=(33.514/DIV)MHz	T <sub>MAX</sub> =2 <sup>16</sup> /F
TIMER_DIV_1	33.514 MHz	1.955 ms
TIMER_DIV_64	523.656 kHz	125.151 ms
TIMER_DIV_256	130.914 kHz	500.603 ms
TIMER_DIV_1024	32.729 kHz	2.002 s



- Only div. 256/1024 can count 200ms
- Best resolution: lowest divider
- Best divider: 256

```
TIMERO_DATA = TIMER FREQ 256(5)
TIMERO CR = TIMER DIV 256 | TIMER IRQ REQ | TIMER ENABLE;
irqSet(IRQ TIMERO, &timerISR)
irqEnable(IRQ TIMER0);
void timerISR()
    timer ticks++;
    if(timer ticks >= 15){
        irqDisable(IRQ TIMER0);
        playerLoses();
```

- $5 \text{ Hz} \rightarrow T = 1/5 = 0.2s = 200 \text{ms}$
- Associate *timerISR()*
- increase tick
- at 15 ticks (3 seconds):
  - disable the timer interrupt
  - call *playerLoses()*



#### Exercise 3 X / START press, initGame() - playerLoses()

```
scanKeys();
keys = keysDown();
if (keys & (KEY_START | KEY_A)) {
   initGame();
}
```

- 1. Read keys pressed with polling
- Check if START or A was pressedcall *initGame()*

#### How do the functions *initGame()* / *playerLoses* fill the screen?

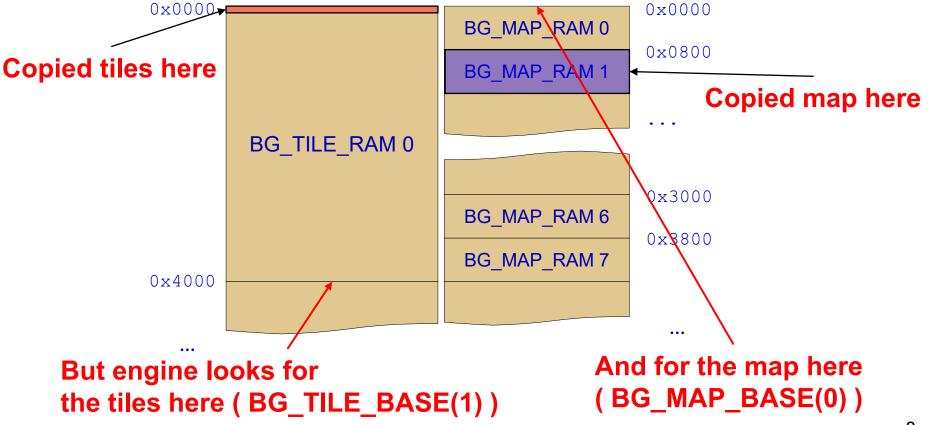
```
void initGame() {
 void playerLoses() {
                                                           // Copy the tile(s) to the VRAM
     playerLost = 1;
                                                           dmaCopy(empty_newTile, (u8*)BG_TILE_RAM(0), 64);
                                                           dmaCopy(player_newTile, (u8*) BG_TILE_RAM(0)
     // Copy the red tile to the VRAM
     dmaCopy(red_Tile, (u8*) BG_TILE_RAM(0) + 128, 64);
                                                          // Fill the screen with CYAN tiles apart from the player
     // Fill the screen with red tiles
                                                           for(int i=0;i<24;i++) {
     for(int i=0;i<24;i++) {
                                                              for(int j=0;j<32;j++) {
         for(int j=0;j<32;j++) {
                                                                  BG_MAP_RAM(1)[i*32+j] = 0;
             BG_MAP_RAM(1)[i*32+j] = 2;
                                                           // Set the updated player tiles in the center of the scr
                                                           BG_MAP_RAM(1)[11*32+15] = 1;
          Only works if:
                                                           BG_MAP_RAM(1)[11*32+16] = 1;
                                                           BG_MAP_RAM(1)[12*32+15] = 1;
               BG MAP BASE(1)|BG TILE BASE(0)
BGCTRL[0] =
                                                          BG_MAP_RAM(1)[12*32+16] = 1;
                  BG 32x32 | BG COLOR 256;
```



#### Exercise 3 Mismatch between RAM and BASE macros

#### What happens if we use:

- BG\_TILE\_BASE(1) and BG\_TILE\_RAM(0)
- BG\_MAP\_BASE(0) and BG\_MAP\_RAM(1)

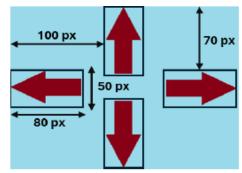


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## Exercise 4 Use touchscreen arrows to move player

- Move the main character when touching the arrows
  - Four directions are available: left, right, up, and down
  - Use touchscreen polling coordinates to decide action
  - Move tiles according to movePlayer<direction>()



```
if (keys & KEY_TOUCH) {
   touchRead(&touch);
```

```
if ((touch.px >= 100) && (touch.px < 150))
    if (touch.py < 80)
       movePlayerUp();
    else if (touch.py >= 110)
      movePlayerDown();
}
```

```
if ((touch.py >= 70) && (touch.py < 120))
    if (touch.px < 85)
        movePlayerLeft();
    else if (touch.px >= 180)
        movePlayerRight();
}
```

- 1. Check if a touch was made
- 2. Read the touch coordinates
- 1. Isolate to  $100 \le x < 150$
- 2. Isolate y for Up/Down arrows
- 3. Call the corresponding function

- 1. Isolate to  $70 \le y < 120$
- 2. Isolate x for Right/Left arrows
- 3. Call the corresponding function



## Exercise 4 Moving player's tiles and screen borders

- Player consists of 4 tiles in square
  - top-left: (x1, y1)
  - bottom-right: (x2, y2)

```
(x1, y1) (x2, y2)
```

```
void movePlayerRight() {
    // Check if player is at the right edge
    if (playerX2 == 31) return;

    // Clear previous position using tile 0

    BG_MAP_RAM(1) [playerY1*32+playerX1] = 0;

    BG_MAP_RAM(1) [playerY2*32+playerX1] = 0;

    // Move player and update the tile map

    playerX1 += 1;

    playerX2 += 1;

    BG_MAP_RAM(1) [playerY1*32+playerX2] = 1;

    BG_MAP_RAM(1) [playerY2*32+playerX2] = 1;
```

Respect right edge no action → return;

Clear **left-most** tiles (**no trace**)

Advance x coordinates to the right Retain y coordinates
Draw new right-most tiles
(1 tile displacement)

Same logic applies to Left, Up, Down displacements:

- 1. Only one coordinate advances (x or y)
- 2. Respect screen borders



### Exercise 5 Multiple backgrounds for portal teleportation

- Draw a portal at the right screen edge to teleport the character
  - Use an overlapping Rotoscale background on main screen
  - Change BG priorities so portal appears on top of the grid
  - Draw a portal with width equal to 1 tile at right edge
  - Teleport the character to left edge when passing through

```
REG_DISPCNT = MODE_5_2D | DISPLAY_BG0_ACTIVE | DISPLAY_BG2_ACTIVE;
```

- Skip tiles/tile-map of BG 0
- BG BMP BASE: offset 16 KB
- 16-bit mode: framebuffer emul.
- Priority 0 (highest)

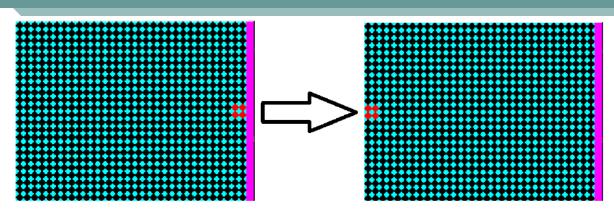
Draw final 8 pixels of each row (1-tile width)

```
BGCTRL[0] = BG_MAP_BASE(1)|BG_TILE_BASE(0)| BG_32x32 |
BG_COLOR_256 | BG_PRIORITY(1);
```

Lower priority of BG 0 to 1



### Exercise 5 Teleportation implementation



#### movePlayerRight()

```
if (playerX2 == 30) {
```

```
// Clear the previous position using tile
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY1*32+playerX1] = 0;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY2*32+playerX1] = 0;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY1*32+playerX2] = 0;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY2*32+playerX2] = 0;
```

```
// Update coordinates and teleport to the
playerX1 = 0;
playerX2 = 1;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY1*32+playerX1] = 1;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY1*32+playerX2] = 1;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY2*32+playerX1] = 1;
BG_MAP_RAM(1)[playerY2*32+playerX2] = 1;
return;
```

- Teleportation can only happen:
  - when moving right
  - AND player touches portal (x2 = 30)
- Clear previous position (all 4 tiles)
- Instantiate player at the left:
  - same y coordinates
  - $\circ$  completely visible (x1 = 0, x2 = 1)



#### **Questions?**





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