

mbed platform

Introduction

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Provided by the mbed platform

- Free software libraries, hardware designs and online tools for rapid prototyping of products based on ARM microcontrollers
 - standards-based C/C++ SDK
 - a microcontroller HDK and supported development boards
 - an online compiler and online developer collaboration tools
- http://developer.mbed.org/explore/



Mbed LPC1768 (main components)



Led1, Led2, Led3, Led4



NXP LPC1768 microcontroller

- ARM Cortex-M3 @96MHz
- 512KB flash memory for program storage
- 32KB static RAM: for holding temporary data
- Peripherals (USB, Ethernet, CAN, ...)
- Address and data busses



ARM Cortex-M3 microprocessor

- 32-bit RISC (reduced instruction set architecture) architecture
 - Simple fixed-length instruction set
 - Low power consumption
 - Suited for battery powered systems (e.g., mobile phones)



USB microcontroller

- It interfaces with USB
- It receives binary code, which is stored in a 16Mbit memory that acts as USB disk
- When reset button is pressed, the program with the latest timestamp is transferred to the flash memory of LPC1768 and execution starts



Mbed LPC1768 (pins)



PWM outputs



Ready to start

- Connect the mbed to the USB port
- Visit https://developer.mbed.org
 - Log in or create a new account
 - Open the compiler (top rightmost button)
 - New program…
 - Edit and compile
 - Download the binary program in the mbed (copy)
 - Press the reset button on LPC1768 and see your program running