

# Exercises in System Level Programming (SLP) – Summer Term 2025

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## Exercise 8

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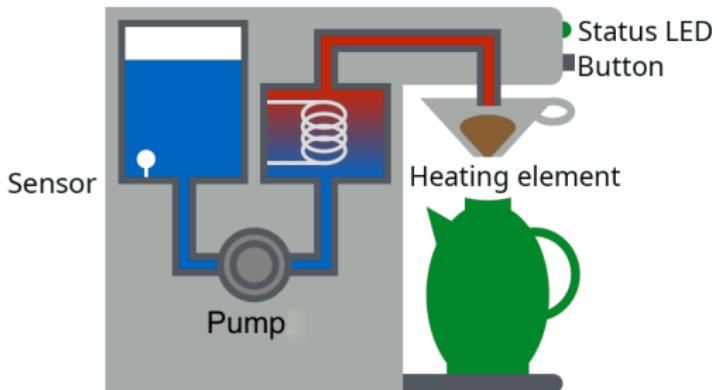
# Presentation Assignment 4

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# **Hands-on: Coffee Machine**

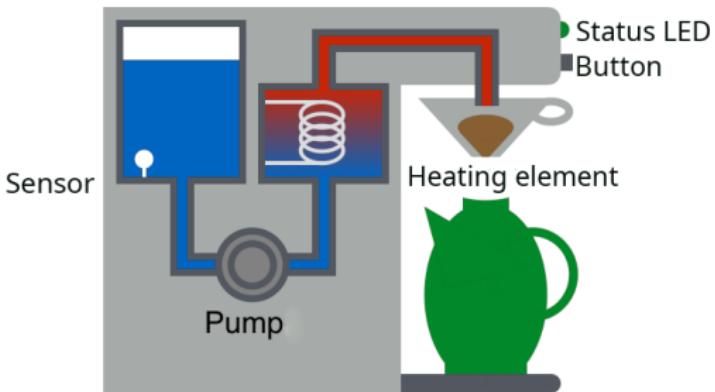
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# Hands-on: Coffee Machine (1)



- Learning goals:
  - Finite state machines
  - Timers and alarms
  - Interrupts & sleep modes

# Hands-on: Coffee Machine (1)



- Wiring:
  - Pump & heating: Port D, Pin 5 (active-low)
  - Button: INT0 an Port D, Pin 2 (active-low)
  - Sensor: INT1 an Port D, Pin 3 (water: high; no water: low)
  - State LED:
    - BLUE0: **STANDBY**
    - GREEN0: **ACTIVE**
    - RED0: **NO\_WATER**

# Hands-on: Coffee Machine (2)



## STANDBY

- Machine is switched off
- Pump and heating are off
- User can start making coffee by pressing the button
- Initial state

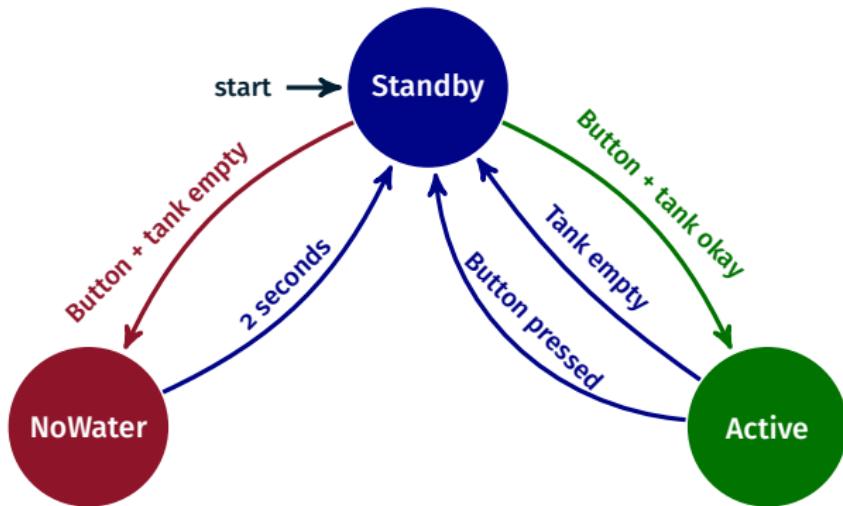
## ACTIVE

- Machine is switched on
- Pump and heating are on
- Water tank is not empty
- User can stop the machine by pressing the button

## NO\_WATER

- Coffee machine shows that not enough water is in the tank
- Pump and heating are off
- Time period: 2 seconds

# Hands-on: Coffee Machine (2)



- Hints:
  - Pressed button & change of water level by interrupts
  - State LED: `void setLEDState(state_t state)`
  - Waiting phases can be implemented using the single-shot alarms
  - During waiting phases always enter a power-saving mode



## Hands-on: Coffee Machine (3)

**DDR<sub>x</sub>** Configuration of pin i of port x as in-/output

- Bit  $i = 1 \rightarrow$  Pin i as output
- Bit  $i = 0 \rightarrow$  Pin i as input

**PORTx** Mode of operation depends on DDR<sub>x</sub>:

- If pin i is **configured as output**, then bit i in the PORTx register controls whether a high level or a low level has to be generated at pin i
  - Bit  $i = 1 \rightarrow$  high level at pin i
  - Bit  $i = 0 \rightarrow$  low level at pin i
- If pin i is **configured as input**, then the internal pull-up resistor can be activated
  - Bit  $i = 1 \rightarrow$  pull-up resistor at pin i (level is pulled high)
  - Bit  $i = 0 \rightarrow$  pin i configured as tri-state

**PIN<sub>x</sub>** Bit i returns the current level of pin i at port x (read only)

## Hands-on: Coffee Machine (4)



- Interrupt sense control (ISC) bits of the ATmega328PB are located at the external interrupt control register A (EICRA)
- Position of the ISC-bits inside the register defined by macros

Interrupt INT0		Interrupt on	Interrupt INT1	
ISC01	ISC00		ISC11	ISC10
0	0	low level	0	0
0	1	either edge	0	1
1	0	falling edge	1	0
1	1	rising edge	1	1

- ATmega328PB: External interrupt mask register (EIMSK)
- The position of the bits in this register is also defined by macros INTn

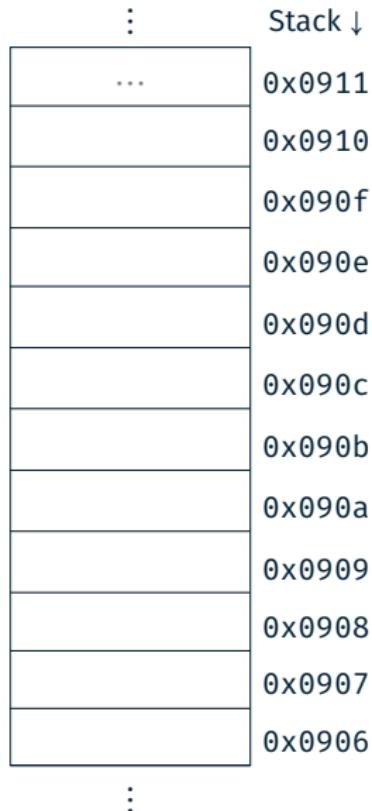
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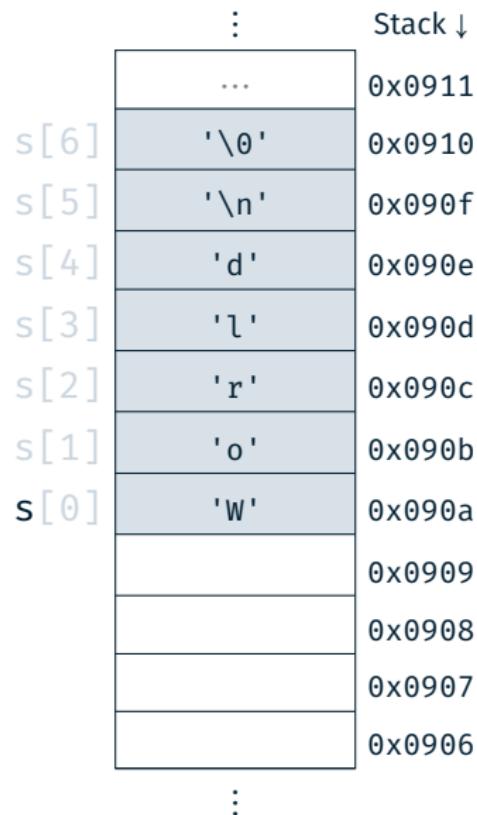




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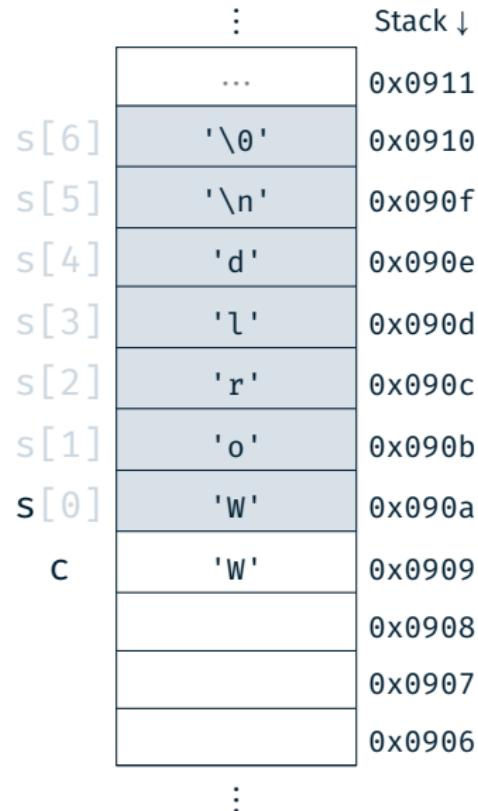


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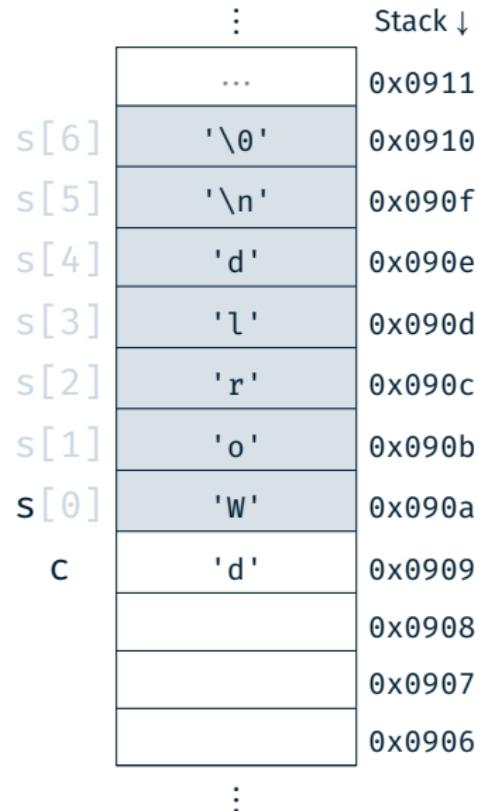


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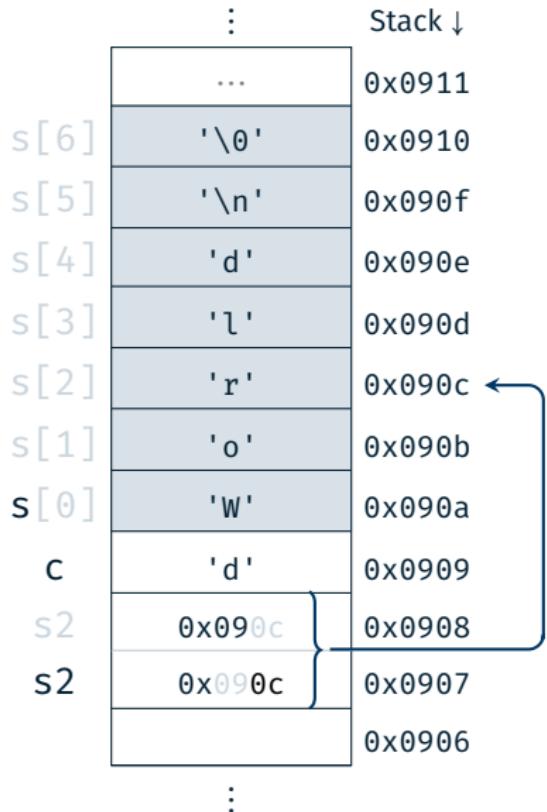


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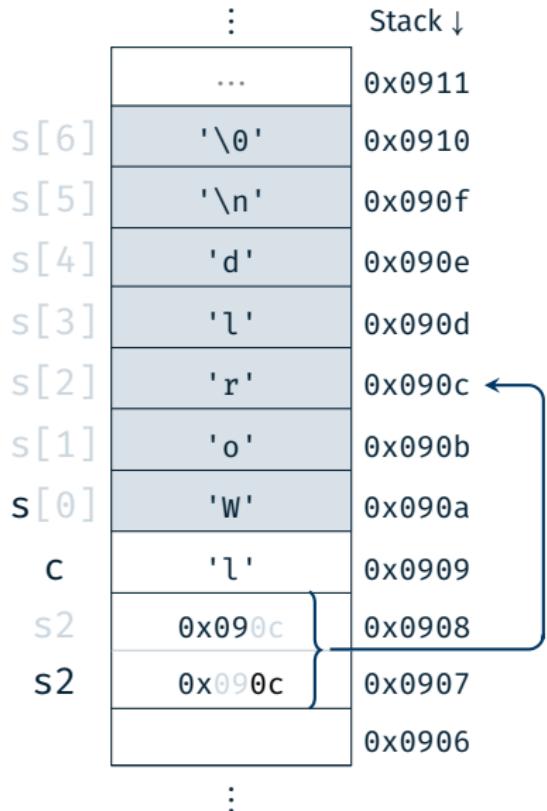




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- **Functionality:**  
Displaying a text step-by-step on the 7-segment display
- **Learning goals:**
  - Strings in C
  - Pointers & pointer arithmetic
  - Alarms & sleep modes
- **Procedure:**
  - Recurring alarms with TIMER0
  - Combining the current substring
  - Output via the 7-segment display
  - During waiting phases, the microcontroller has to enter a sleep mode (passive waiting)

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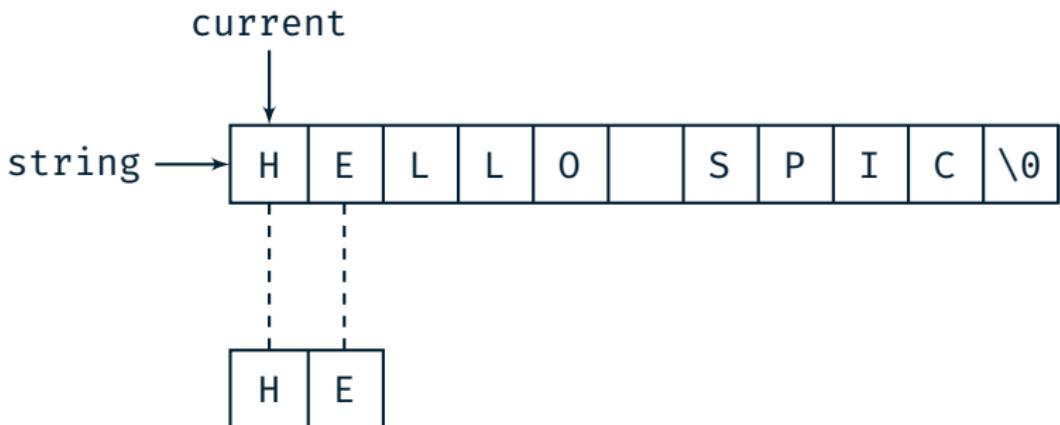
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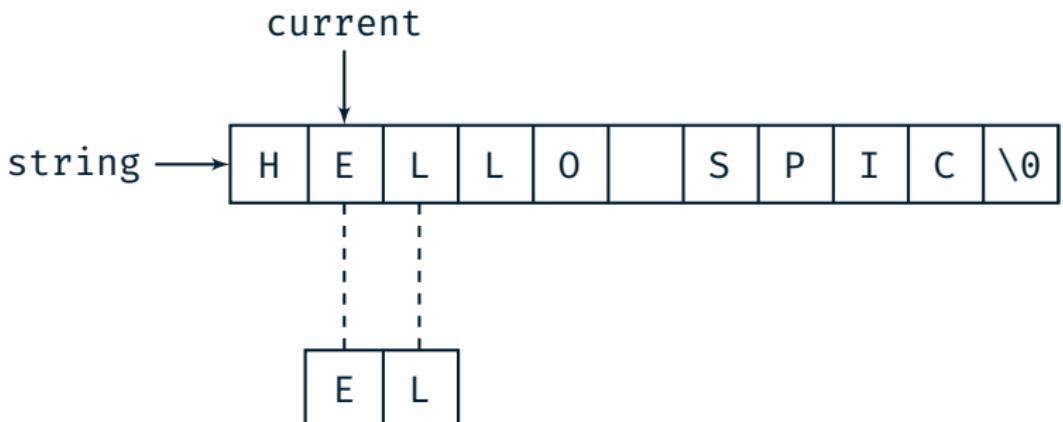
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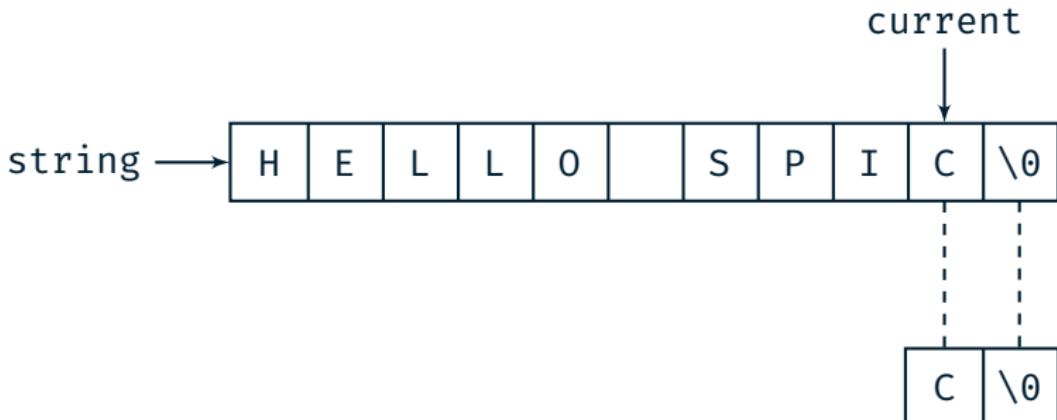
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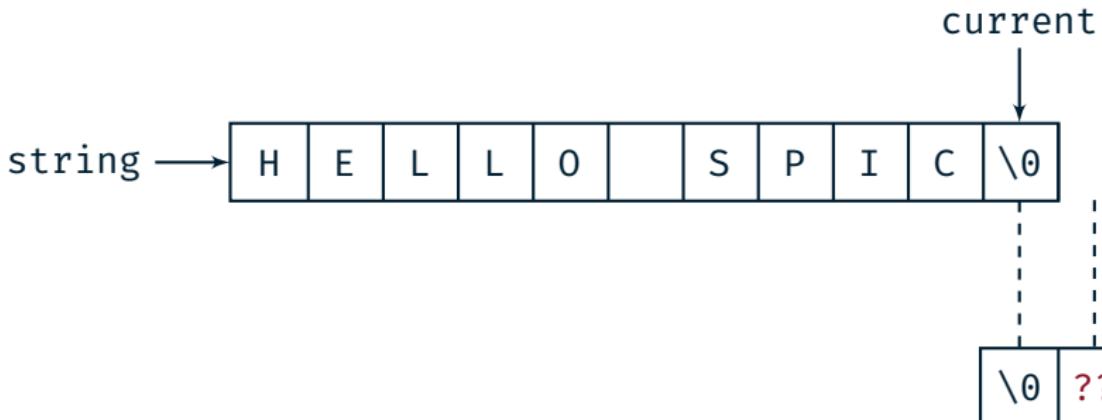
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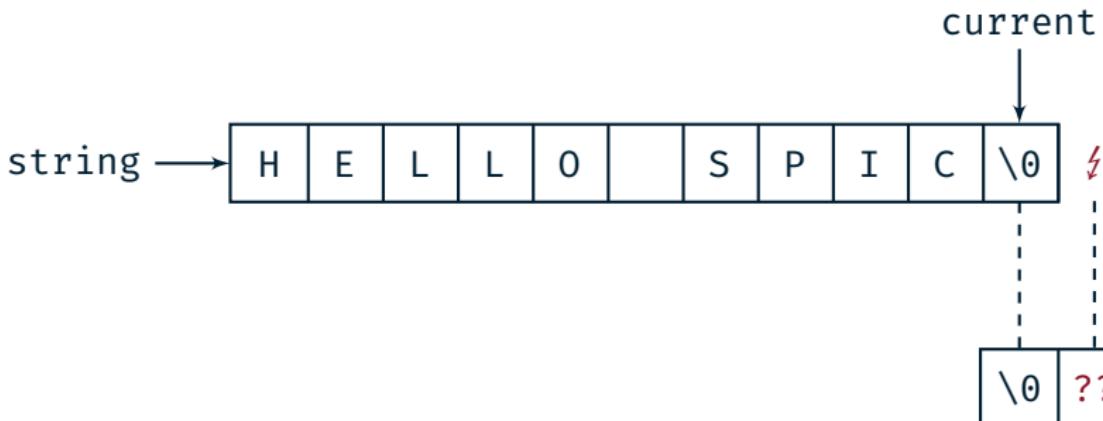
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