

## Renesas Synergy™ Platform

# **Input Capture HAL Module Guide**

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#### Introduction

This module guide will enable you to effectively use a module in your own design. Upon completion of this guide, you will be able to add this module to your own design, configure it correctly for the target application and write code, using the included application project code as a reference and an efficient starting point. References to more detailed API descriptions and suggestions of other application projects that illustrate more advanced uses of the module are included in this document and should be valuable resources for creating more complex designs.

The Input Capture HAL module is an API used for measuring input pulse-widths and is implemented on r\_gpt\_input\_capture. The Input Capture HAL module configures the input capture parameters to use with the GPT peripheral on Synergy MCUs. A user-defined callback can be created to acquire the value each time a new measurement is complete.

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#### 1. Input Capture HAL Module Features

The Input Capture HAL module configures the GPT for an input capture function.

- The Input Capture HAL allows the user to perform the following tasks:
  - Initialize the module
  - Enable input capture measurement
  - Disable input capture measurement
  - Get the status (running or not) of the measurement counter
  - Get the last captured timer/overflows counter value
  - Close the input capture operation
- The Input Capture HAL module supports:
  - Pulse-width measurement only
  - Rising-edge or falling-edge measurement start
  - One-shot or periodic mode
  - Hardware-enable signals to enable captures (low enable/high enable)
  - Callback function with the following events:
    - Counter overflow
    - Input capture occur.
  - Callback structure (input\_capture\_callback\_args\_t) that provides data on the interrupting event, including which interrupt occurs and the associated counter values.

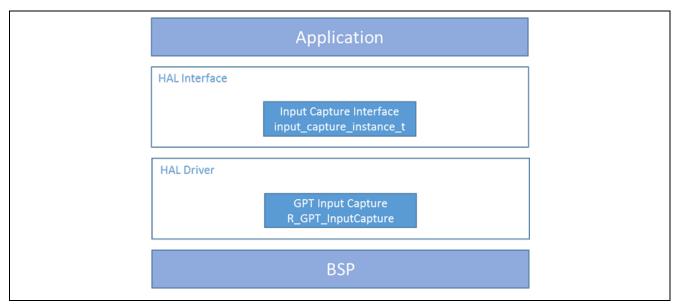


Figure 1 Input Capture HAL Module Block Diagram

#### **Input Capture HAL Module APIs Overview** 2.

The Input Capture HAL module interface defines APIs for opening, closing, enabling, disabling, accessing status information and last-capture value accessing using the General PWM Timer (GPT) with input capture. A complete list of the available APIs, an example API call, and a short description of each can be found in the following table. A table of status return values follows the API summary table.

Table 1 Input Capture HAL Module API Summary

Function Name	Example API Call and Description	
.open	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;open(g_input_capture.p_ctrl, g_input_capture.p_cfg);</pre>	
	Opens the Input Capture HAL and initializes configuration.	
.close	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;close(g_input_capture.p_ctrl); Closes the input capture operation. Allow drive to be reconfigured, and may reduce power consumption.</pre>	
.enable	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;enable(g_input_capture.p_ctrl); Enables input capture measurement.</pre>	
.disable	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;disable(g_input_capture.p_ctrl); Disables input capture measurement.</pre>	
.infoGet	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;infoGet(g_input_capture.p_ctrl, &amp;input_capture_info); Gets the status (running or not) of the measurement counter.</pre>	
.lastCaptureGet	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;lastCaptureGet(g_input_capture.p_ctrl, &amp;input_capture_counter); Gets the last captured timer/overflows counter value.</pre>	
.versionGet	<pre>g_input_capture.p_api-&gt;versionGet(&amp;input_capture_version); Retrieve the API version with the input_capture_version pointer.</pre>	

Note: For more complete descriptions of operation and definitions for the function data structures, typedefs, defines, API data, API structures and function variables, review the Synergy Software Platform (SSP) User's Manual API References for the associated module.

Table 2 Status Return Values

Name	Description
SSP_SUCCESS	API Call Successful.
SSP_ERR_ASSERTION	One of the parameters is NULL, or the channel requested in the p_cfg parameter may not be available on the device selected in r_bsp_cfg.h, or p_cfg->mode is invalid.
SSP_ERR_INVALID_ARGUMENT	Parameter has invalid value, or ISR is not enabled.
SSP_ERR_IN_USE	Attempted to open an already open device instance.
SSP_ERR_NOT_OPEN	The channel is not opened.

Note: Lower-level drivers may return common error codes. Refer to the SSP User's Manual API References for the associated module for a definition of all relevant status return values.

### 3. Input Capture HAL Module Operational Overview

The Input Capture HAL module controls the GPT HAL module units on a Synergy microcontroller (as configured by the user). It directly accesses the GPT hardware without using any RTOS elements and provides convenient APIs to simplify development.

When a normal measurement is complete and a callback is available (with interrupts enabled), the Input Capture HAL module invokes the callback with the argument input capture callback args t.

The argument input\_capture\_callback\_args\_t indicates the channel, the input\_capture\_event\_t event, the value of the timer captured when the interrupt occurred, and the number of counter overflows that occurred during this measurement.

If the interrupts are not enabled, the API retrieves the last captured timer/overflows counter value in the main loop.

#### 3.1 Input Capture HAL Module Operational Notes

#### **GPT Input Capture Measurement Mode**

The input capture interface provides a selectable mode, a one-shot measurement and a periodic measurement. The GPT hardware does not natively support one-shot functionality. Software support is in the interrupt service routine (ISR) to stop and clear the timer. For this reason, ISRs must be enabled for one-shot mode, even when the callback is unused.

#### **GPT Input Capture Signal**

The input capture measurement starts when the input capture signal edge (rising or falling) is detected on the input capture signal pin (GTIOCA/GTIOCB) and the enable condition is met. The enable condition is defined by the enable level and can be disabled (none), or a specified low or high level on the input capture enable pin (GTIOCA/GTIOCB). The input capture enable pin is the pin not used as the input capture signal pin.

#### **Converting Measurement Counts to Time**

When a measurement completes, the raw-count data and the number of overflows is returned to the user in the callback function.

If desired, the raw measurement data can be converted to logical time units in the callback or user application. To convert the raw data, the current PCLKD clock frequency and its pre-scaler value, the number of overflows, the maximum counter value and the measurement counts should be considered. The measurement counts and the number of overflows are provided in the callback arguments input\_capture\_callback\_args\_t.

The recommended method to obtain the current PCLKD frequency is to use the systemClockFreqGet API. The input clock frequency is the PCLKD frequency and is divided by the pre-scalar value and is represented as clk\_freq\_hz in the following Input Capture Time Calculation table.

The maximum counter value on the S7G2 (all channels), S3A7 (all channels) and S124 (channel 0) is 0xFFFFFFF. The maximum counter value for S124 (channels 1-6) is 0xFFFF. This maximum counter value plus one (since the counter starts at zero) is represented as max\_counts in the following table:

**Table 3** Input Capture Time Calculation

Desired Time Units	Formula
Nanoseconds (ns)	time_ns = ((overflows * max_counts) + counter) * 1000000000 / clk_freq_hz
Microseconds (us)	time_ns = ((overflows * max_counts) + counter) * 1000000 / clk_freq_hz
Milliseconds (ms)	time_ns = ((overflows * max_counts) + counter) * 1000 / clk_freq_hz
Seconds (s)	time_ns = ((overflows * max_counts) + counter) / clk_freq_hz

#### 3.2 Input Capture HAL Module Limitations

- Currently, the Input Capture HAL module supports only pulse-width measurement.
- Refer to the latest SSP Release Notes for any additional operational limitations for this module.

### 4. Including the Input Capture HAL Module in an Application

This section describes how to include the Input Capture HAL module in an application using the SSP configurator.

Note: It is assumed you are familiar with creating a project, adding threads, adding a stack to a thread and configuring a block within the stack. If you are unfamiliar with any of these items, refer to the first few chapters of the SSP User's Manual to learn how to manage each of these important steps in creating SSP-based applications.

To add the Input Capture Driver to an application, simply add it to a thread using the stacks selection sequence given in the following table. (The default name for the Input Capture Driver is g\_input\_capture. This name can be changed in the associated Properties window.)

Table 4 Input Capture HAL Module Selection Sequence

Resource	ISDE Tab	Stacks Selection Sequence
g_input_capture Input Capture	Threads->HAL/Common	Highlight Threads > HAL/Common Stacks
Driver on r_gpt_input_capture	Stacks	and select New Stack > Driver > Timers >
		Input Capture Driver on r_gpt_input_capture

When the Input Capture HAL module on r\_gpt\_input\_capture is added to the thread stack as shown in the following figure, the configurator automatically adds any lower-level drivers needed. Any drivers requiring configuration information are box text highlighted in Red. Modules with a Gray band are standalone modules.

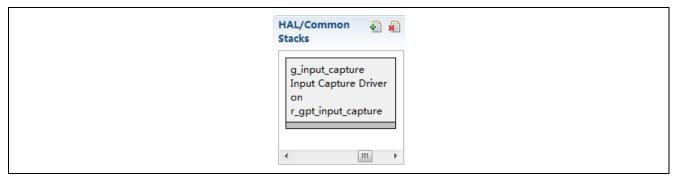


Figure 2 Input Capture HAL Module Stack

#### 5. Configuring the Input Capture HAL Module

You can configure the Input Capture HAL module for the desired operation. The SSP configuration window automatically identifies (by highlighting the block in red) any configuration selections required, such as interrupts or operating modes, for lower-level modules to achieve successful operation. Only properties that can be changed without causing a conflict are available for modification. Properties that are 'locked' are identified with a lock icon in the Properties window and cannot be changed in the ISDE. This approach simplifies the configuration process, making it much less error-prone than previous 'manual' approaches to configuration. The Properties tab within the SSP Configurator shows all available user-accessible properties. The configuration settings and defaults for these properties are given in the following tables for easy reference.

One of the properties most often identified as requiring a change is the interrupt priority; this configuration setting is available in the Properties window of the associated module. Simply select the indicated module, then view the Properties window. Note that the interrupt priorities also indicate the validity of the setting based on the MCU targeted (CM4 or CM0+).

Note: You may want to open your ISDE, create the Input Capture HAL module and explore the property settings in parallel with looking over the following configuration table settings. This can help orient you and can also be a useful 'hands-on' approach as you learn the ins and outs of developing with SSP.

Table 5 Configuration Settings for the Input Capture HAL Module on r\_gpt\_input\_capture

ISDE Property	Value	Description
Parameter Checking	BSP, Enabled, Disabled (Default: BSP)	Selects whether code for parameter checking is to be included in the build.
Name	(Default: g_input_capture)	Name of the module.
Channel	0-13 for S7G2, 0-9 for S3A7, 0-6 for S124 (Default: 0)	Physical hardware channel.
Mode	Pulse width	Measure inputs from the signal edge until the opposite edge.
Signal Edge	Rising, Falling (Default: Rising)	Start measurement on rising or falling edge.  Measurement stops on the opposite edge.
Repetition	One Shot, Periodic (Default: Periodic)	Capture a signal measurement, then disable captures (one shot) until the enable API is called, or capture measurements continuously (periodic).
Auto Start	True, False (Default: True)	Set to true to enable measurements after configuring, or set to false to leave the measurements disabled until the enable API is called.
Callback	User-defined, call with arguments (Default: NULL)	A user callback function must be registered in the open API. The callback is called from the ISR each time the timer period elapses.  Note: Since the callback is called from an ISR, be careful not to use blocking calls or lengthy processing. Spending excessive time in an ISR can affect the responsiveness of the system.
Input Capture Signal Pin	GTIOCA, GTIOCB (Default: GTIOCA)	Select the input pin used to trigger the start of a measurement.
GTIOCx Signal Filter	None, PCLK/1, PCLK/4, PCLK/16, PCLK/64 (Default: None)	The noise filter samples the external signal at intervals of the PCLK divided by one of the values. When 3 consecutive samples are at the same level (high or low) that level is passed on as the observed state of the signal.
Clock Divider	PCLK/1, PCLK/4, PCLK/16, PCLK/64, PCLK/256, PCLK/1024 (Default: PCLK/1)	Clock divider used to scale the measurement counter.

ISDE Property	Value	Description
Input Capture	None, Low, High	Each GPT channel has 2 I/O pins (GPIOCA
Enable Level	(Default: None)	and GPIOCB). One of them must be selected
		as the Input Capture Signal Pin. The other
		GPT I/O pin can be used as a hardware enable
		signal to enable captures. Select None and captures are always enabled. Select low and
		captures are enabled only while the enable
		input pin is low. Select high and captures are
		enabled only while the enable input pin is high.
Input Capture	None (No filtering), PCLK/1	The enable filter samples the enable signal at
Enable Filter	(Fast sampling), PCLK/4,	intervals of the PCLK divided by one of the
	PCLK/16, PCLK/64 (Slow	values. When 3 consecutive samples are at the
	sampling)	same level (high or low) that level is passed on
	(Default: None (No filtering))	as the observed state of the signal.
Capture Interrupt	Priority 0 (Highest), Priority 1-2,	
Priority/Overflow	Priority 3 (CM4: valid, CM0+:	
Interrupt Priority	lowest – not valid if using	
	ThreadX), Priority 4-14 (CM4:	Specifies the Priority of the interrupt.
	valid, CM0+: invalid), Priority 15 (CM4: lowest – not valid if using	
	ThreadX, CM0+: invalid)	
	(Default: Priority 2)	

Note: The example values and defaults listed in the table are for a project using the Synergy S7G2 MCUs. Other MCUs may have different default values and available configuration settings.

#### 5.1 Input Capture HAL Module Clock Configuration

The GPT HAL module uses the PCLKD as its clock source. The PCLKD frequency is set using the SSP configurator clocks tab prior to a build, or using the CGC Interface at run-time.

#### 5.2 Input Capture HAL Module Pin Configuration

To access a particular channel and pin, the GTIOCx pins must be set in the Pins tab of the ISDE. The following table has the method for selecting the pins within the SSP configuration window, with the subsequent table listing an example selection for GTIOCx pins.

Table 6 Pin Selection Sequence for Input Capture HAL Module

Resource	ISDE Tab	Pin selection Sequence
GPT Input Capture	Pins	Select Peripherals > Timer: GPT > GPT0

Note: The selection sequence assumes GPT0 is the desired hardware target for the driver.

Table 7 Pin Configuration Settings for Input Capture HAL Module

Property	Value	Description
Pin Group Selection	Mixed, _A Only, _B Only	Pin grouping selection
	(Default: Mixed)	
Operation Mode	Disabled, GTIOCA or	Select GTIOCA or GTIOCB as the operation
	GTIOCB, GTIOCA and	mode for Input Capture on GPT
	GTIOCB	
	(Default: Disable)	
GTIOCA	None, P300, P512	GTIOCA pin
	(Default: None)	
GTIOCB	None, P108, P511	GTIOCB pin
	(Default: None)	

Note: The example values are for a project using the Synergy S7G2 MCUs and the SK-S7G2 Kit. Other Synergy Kits and other Synergy MCUs may have different available pin configuration settings.

#### 6. Using the Input Capture HAL Module in an Application

Once the module has been configured and the files generated, the Input Capture HAL module is ready to be used in an application. The typical steps to using the Input Capture HAL module in an application are:

- 1. Initialize the module using the open API.
- 2. The desired value can be found either in the main loop routine using the lastCaptureGet API or in the callback function using p\_args.
- 3. The capture interrupt can be disabled using the disable API.
- 4. The capture and overflow interrupt can be enabled using the enable API.
- 5. The status of the captured counter (running or stopped) can be queried using the infoGet API.
- 6. The module can be closed using the close API once done.

The following figure illustrates these common steps in a typical operational flow:

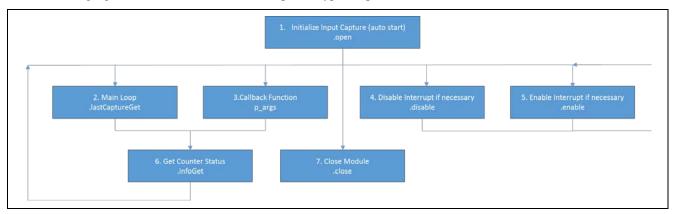


Figure 3 Flow Diagram of a Typical Input Capture HAL Module Application

## 7. The Input Capture HAL Module Application Project

The application project associated with this module guide demonstrates the steps in a callback function design. You may want to import and open the application project within the ISDE and view the configuration settings for the Input Capture HAL module. You can also read over the code (see input\_capture\_hal\_mg.c) to see the Input Capture HAL APIs used in a complete design.

In the application project, the program uses a callback function to read the value. The value is captured periodically and is displayed on the ISDE debug console using the common semi-hosting technique.

For the application project, a few key properties are configured to support the required operations and physical properties of the target board and MCU. The following table lists the properties with the values set for this application project. You can also open the application project and view these settings in the Properties window as a hands-on exercise.

Table 8 Software and Hardware Resources Used by the Application Project

Resource	Revision	Description
e <sup>2</sup> studio	5.3.1 or later	Integrated Solution Development Environment
SSP	1.2.0 or later	Synergy Software Platform
IAR EW for Synergy	7.71.2 or later	IAR Embedded Workbench® for Renesas Synergy™
SSC	5.3.1 or later	Synergy Standalone Configurator
SK-S7G2	v3.0 to v3.1	Starter Kit

The following figures show some simple application project flow diagrams:

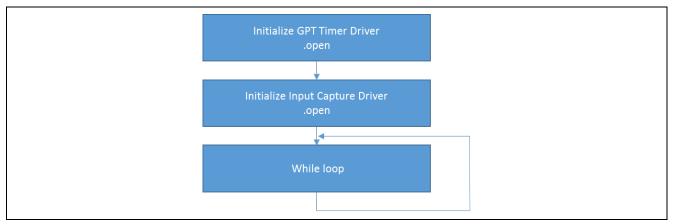


Figure 4 Detailed flow chart of Input Capture HAL Application Project

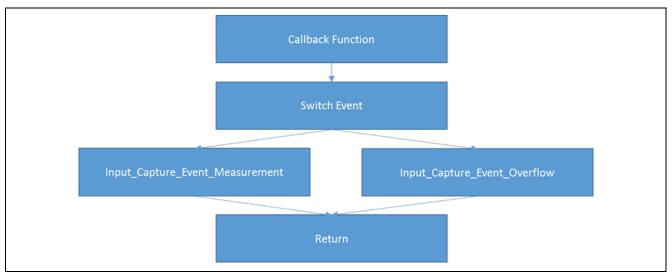


Figure 5 Detailed flow chart of callback function

The complete application project can be found using the link provided in the References section at the end of this document. The input\_capture\_hal\_mg.c file is located on the project once the file has been imported into the ISDE. You can open this file within the ISDE and follow along to help identify key uses of the APIs.

The first section of input\_capture\_hal\_mg.c file has the header files that reference the input capture instance structure and external function declaration. The hal\_entry.c code calls the

input\_capture\_hal\_module\_guide\_project() function in input\_capture\_hal\_mg.c. In input\_capture\_hal\_mg.c, the timer driver is initialized for generating measurable pulse, then the Input Capture HAL module initializes using the open API. All operations, such as getting the value of the captured timer and overflows counter, are handled in the callback function, once the input capture interrupt or overflow interrupt occur. If semi-hosting function is enabled, the printf() function outputs all the valuable information at Debug Virtual Console.

Note: It is assumed that you are familiar using the printf() function with the Debug Console in the SSP. If you are unfamiliar with this function, refer to the "How do I Use Printf() with the Debug Console in the Synergy Software Package" given in the References section at the end of this document. Alternatively, the user can see results using the watch variables in the debug mode.

The properties configured in this application project support the required operations, as well as the physical properties of the target board and the MCU. The following table lists the properties with the values set for this specific project. You can also open the application project and view these settings in the Properties window as a hands-on exercise.

Table 9 Input Capture HAL Module Configuration Settings for the Application Project

ISDE Property	Value Set
Parameter Checking	Default (BSP)
Name	g_input_capture
Channel	0
Mode	Pulse Width
Signal Edge	Falling
Repetition	Periodic
Auto Start	True
Callback	input_capture_callback
Input Capture Signal Pin	GTIOCA
GTIOCx Signal Filter	None
Clock Divider	PCLK/1
Input Capture Enable Level	None
Input Capture Enable Filter	None (No filtering)
Capture Interrupt Priority	Priority 2
Overflow Interrupt Priority	Priority 2

Because the pulse measured by the input capture function outputs from the GPT channel 2 in this demonstration, the stack of g\_timer0 Timer Driver on r\_gpt API is also configured. The following table lists the properties, with the values set for output pulse:

Table 10 Timer Driver Configuration Settings for the Application Project

ISDE Property	Value Set
Parameter Checking	Default (BSP)
Name	g_timer0
Channel	2
Mode	Periodic
Period Value	40
Period Unit	Seconds
Duty Cycle Value	50
Duty Cycle Unit	Unit Raw Counts
Auto Start	True
GTIOCA Output Enabled	True
GTIOCA Stop Level	Pin Level High
GTIOCB Output Enabled	False
GTIOCB Stop Level	Pin Level Low
Callback	Null
Interrupt Priority	Disabled

To access a particular channel and pin, the GTIOCA pin for input capture and output pulse must be set in the Pins tab of the ISDE.

The following table lists the method used to select pins within the SSP configuration window and includes an example that indicates a selection for the GTIOCA input pin and pulse output pin:

Table 11 Pin Selection Sequence for the Input Capture HAL Module

Resource	ISDE Tab	Pin selection Sequence
Input Capture	Pins	Select Peripherals > Timer: GPT > GPT0

Table 12 Pin configuration Settings for the Input Capture HAL Module

Pin Configuration Property	Value Set
Pin Group Selection	Mixed
Operation Mode	GTIOCA or GTIOCB
GTIOCA	P512
GTIOCB	None

#### **Table 13 Pin Selection Sequence for the Timer Driver**

Resource	ISDE Tab	Pin selection Sequence
GPT Timer	Pins	Select Peripherals > Timer: GPT > GPT2

**Table 14 Pin configuration Settings for the Timer Driver** 

Pin Configuration Property	Value Set
Pin Group Selection	Mixed
Operation Mode	GTIOCA or GTIOCB
GTIOCA	P103
GTIOCB	None

Note: The example values are for a project using the Synergy S7G2 MCUs and the SK-S7G2 Kit. Other Synergy Kits and other Synergy MCUs may have different available pin configuration settings. In addition, P103 is set to SSL0 of SPI0 by default. You need to disable SPI0 operation mode, and then reassign this pin as GTIOCA.

Besides the configuration settings in the tables provided, the GPT timer output pin (P103) and GPT input capture input pin (P512) must be connected directly on board as the following figure shows.

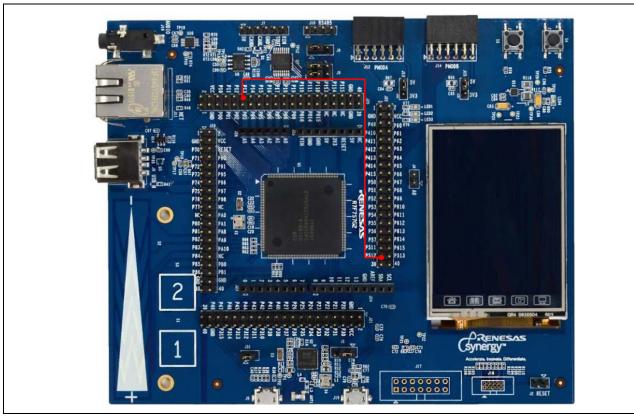


Figure 6 Hardware connection picture

### 8. Customizing the Input Capture HAL Module for a Target Application

Some configuration settings are normally changed by the developer from those shown in the application project. For example, the user can easily change the configuration settings for the input capture clock by updating the PCLKD in the Clocks tab. The user can also change the input capture port pins to select the desired input. This can be done using the Pins tab in the configurator. The user can also change input capture start condition.

#### 9. Running the Input Capture HAL Module Application Project

To run the Input Capture HAL application project and see it executed on a target kit, you can simply import it into your ISDE, compile and run debug. Refer to the *Importing a Renesas Synergy Project* (11an0023eu0116-synergy-ssp-importguide.pdf, included in this package) for instructions on importing the project into e<sup>2</sup> studio or the IAR EW for Synergy, and building/running the application.

To implement the Input Capture HAL module application in a new project, follow the steps for defining, configuring, auto-generating files, adding code, compiling and debugging on the target kit. These steps offer a hands-on approach to make the development process with SSP more practical, while just reading over this guide tends to be more theoretical.

Note: The following steps are described in sufficient detail for someone experienced with the basic flow through the Synergy development process. If these steps are unfamiliar, refer to the first few chapters of the SSP User's Manual for a description of how to accomplish these steps.

To create and run the Input Capture application project, complete the following steps:

- 1. Create a new Renesas Synergy project for the SK-S7G2 board (S7G2-BSP) called Input\_Capture\_HAL\_MG\_AP.
- 2. Select the BSP in the project template selection page when creating a project, then finish a new project setup.
- 3. Select the **Threads** tab -> HAL/Common.
- 4. Add the Input Capture HAL module to the HAL/Common stack.
- 5. Configure the parameters.
- 6. Click on the **Generate Project Content** button.
- 7. Add the code from the supplied project file input\_capture\_hal\_mg.c, input\_capture\_hal\_mg.h, and hal\_entry.c, or copy over the files.
- 8. Compile the project.
- 9. Connect to the host PC via a micro USB cable to J19 on SK-S7G2.
- 10. Start to debug the application.
- 11. The output can be viewed in the Renesas Debug Virtual Console.

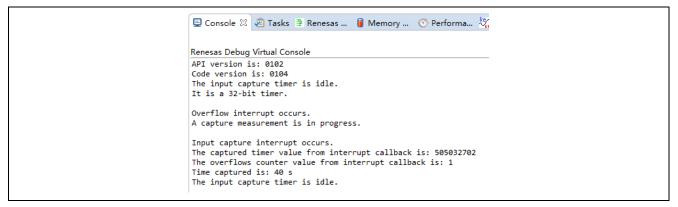


Figure 7 Example Output from the Input Capture HAL Module Application Project

12. The captured timer and overflows counter can also be observed through adding variables into the expressions window in the debug menu (Window->show view->expressions).

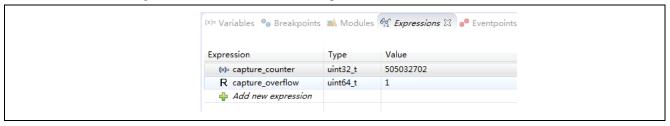


Figure 8 Output Value Observed in the Expressions Window

#### 10. Input Capture HAL Module Conclusion

This module guide has provided you with the background information needed to select, add, configure, and use a component in an example project. Many of these steps were time consuming and error-prone activities in previous generations of embedded systems. The Renesas Synergy<sup>TM</sup> Platform makes these steps much less time consuming and removes common errors, such as conflicting configuration settings or the incorrect selection of lower-level drivers. The high-level APIs (as demonstrated in the application project) demonstrate the development time savings achieved by allowing work to begin at a high level and avoiding the time required in older development environments to use or, in some cases, create, lower-level drivers.

#### 11. Input Capture HAL Module Next Steps

After you have mastered a simple Input Capture HAL module project, you may like to review a more complex example. In particular, it may be useful to explore the various power-saving options available with the Synergy Platform, as these are often related to clock-control functions. Explore the Power Profiles and Low Power Mode-related module guides for additional examples related to clock control.

### 12. Input Capture HAL Module Reference Information

SSP User Manual: Available in html format in the SSP distribution package and as a pdf from the Synergy Gallery.

Links to all the most up-to-date r\_input\_capture module reference materials and resources are available on the Synergy Knowledge Base: https://en-

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