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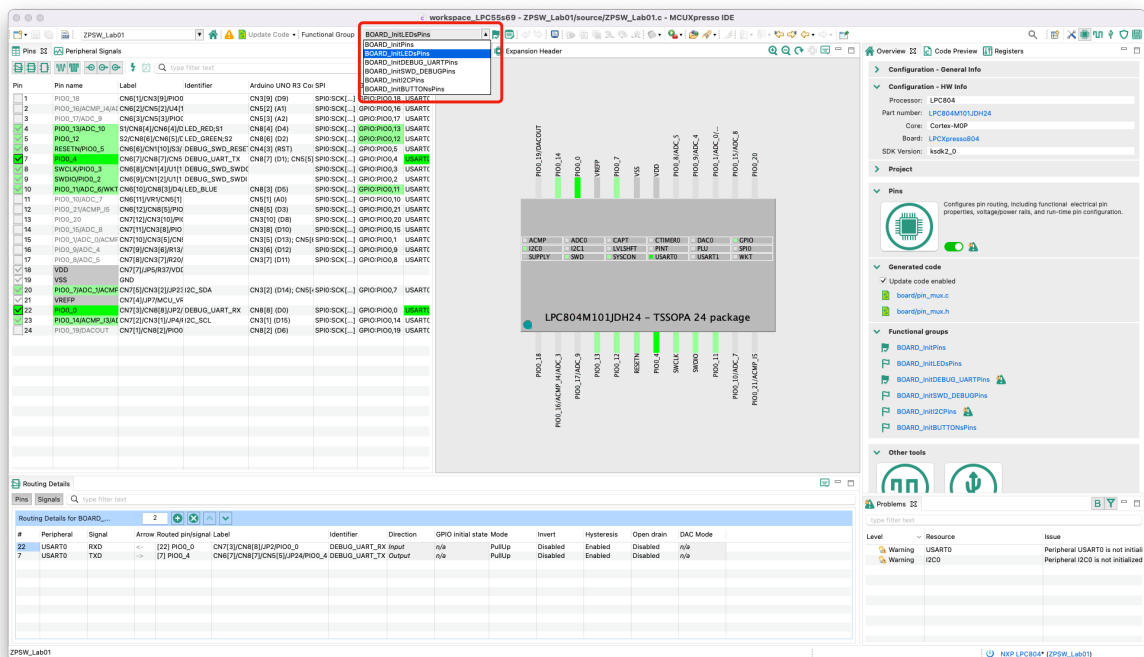
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I. LED driver

1. You should configure 3 *GPIO* lines to control individual *RGB LEDs*, just like in the first manual. To do this, right-click on the project name and select *MCUXpresso Config Tools -> Open Pins*. From the *Functional Group* menu, select the *BOARD_InitLEDsPins* preset, then activate it by selecting the flag icon on the left:



2. Select *Update Code* and accept the changes with the *OK* button.
3. Modify the code in the main function so that receiving the appropriate character corresponds to the control of individual *LEDs*:

a: Red-On
z: Red-Off
s: Green-On
x: Green-Off
d: Blue-On
c: Blue-Off

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include "board.h"
#include "peripherals.h"
#include "pin_mux.h"
#include "clock_config.h"
#include "LPC804.h"
#include "fsl_debug_console.h"

/*
 * @brief Application entry point.
 */
int main(void) {

    /* Init board hardware. */
    BOARD_InitBootPins();
    BOARD_InitBootClocks();
    BOARD_InitBootPeripherals();
#ifdef BOARD_INIT_DEBUG_CONSOLE_PERIPHERAL
    /* Init FSL debug console. */
    BOARD_InitDebugConsole();
#endif

    PRINTF("LPC804 Start...\r\n");
```

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```
char c;
while(1) {
    c=GETCHAR();
    if( c== 'a') {
        // On
        GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_RED_GPIO,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_RED_PORT,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_RED_PIN,
                     0);
    }
    if(c == 'z') {
        // Off
        GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_RED_GPIO,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_RED_PORT,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_RED_PIN,
                     1);
    }
    if( c== 's') {
        // On
        GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_GREEN_GPIO,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_GREEN_PORT,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_GREEN_PIN,
                     0);
    }
    if(c == 'x') {
        // Off
        GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_GREEN_GPIO,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_GREEN_PORT,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_GREEN_PIN,
                     1);
    }
    if( c== 'd') {
        // On
        GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_BLUE_GPIO,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_BLUE_PORT,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_BLUE_PIN,
                     0);
    }
    if(c == 'c') {
        // Off
        GPIO_PinWrite(BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_BLUE_GPIO,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_BLUE_PORT,
                     BOARD_INITLEDSPINS_LED_BLUE_PIN,
                     1);
    }
}
return 0 ;
}
```

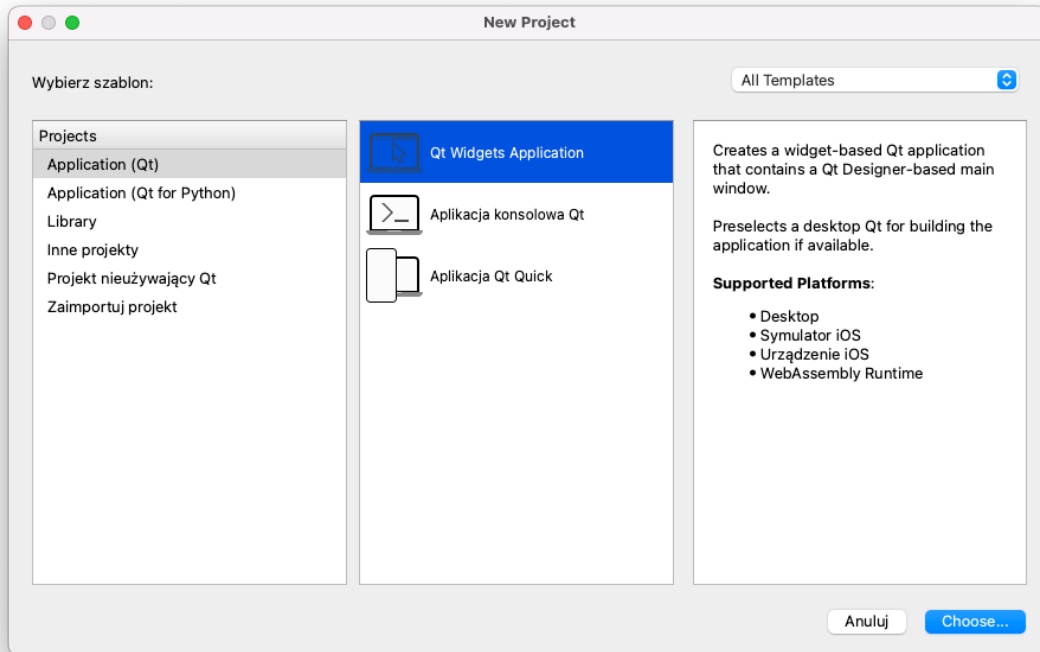
Build a project and program the microcontroller.

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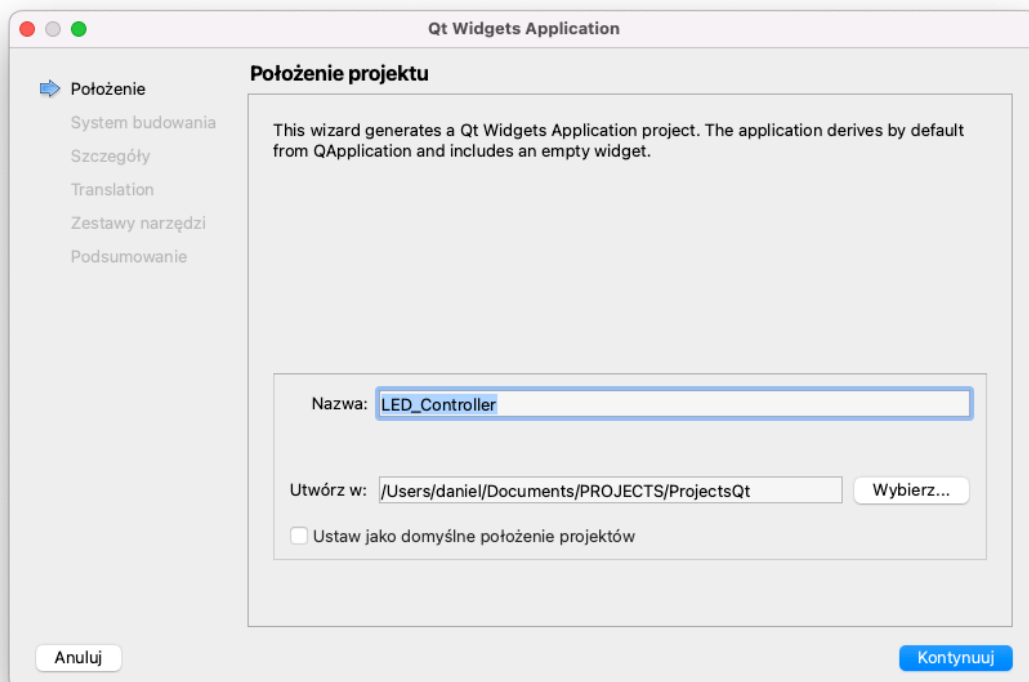
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II. Parent application

1. Launch *Qt Creator* and create a new *Qt Widgets Application* project:



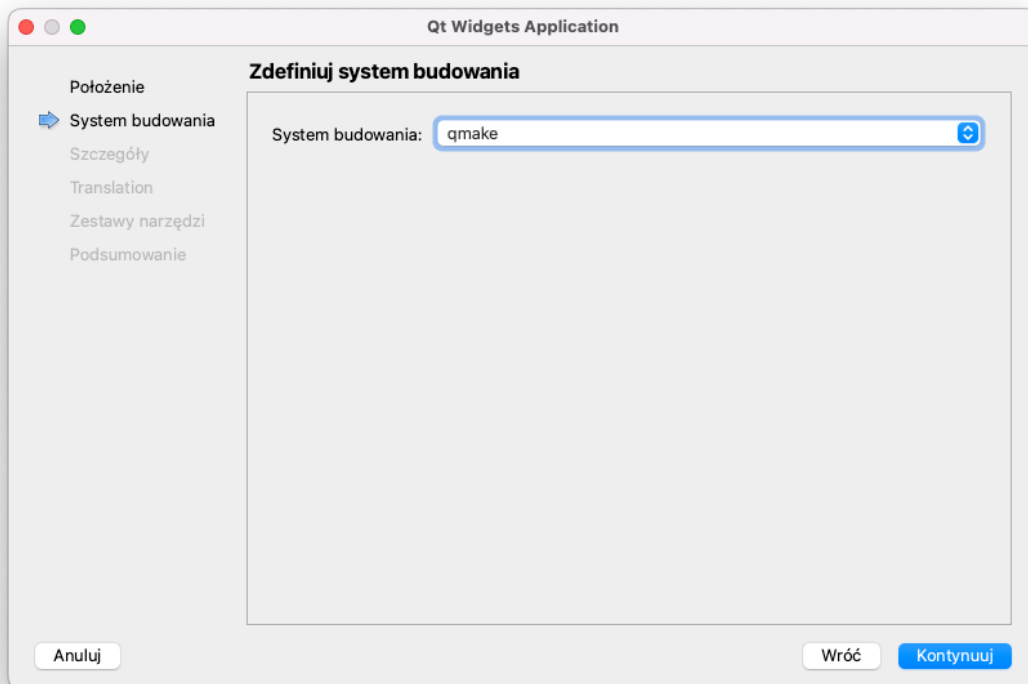
2. Name it *LED_Controller*:



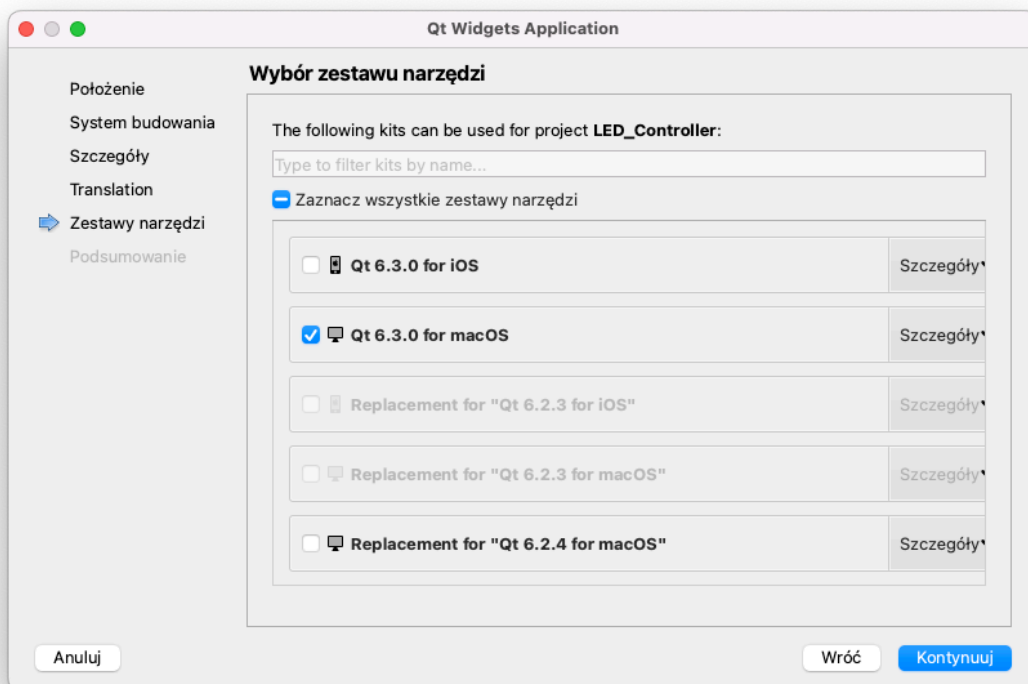
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3. Select *qmake* as the build system:



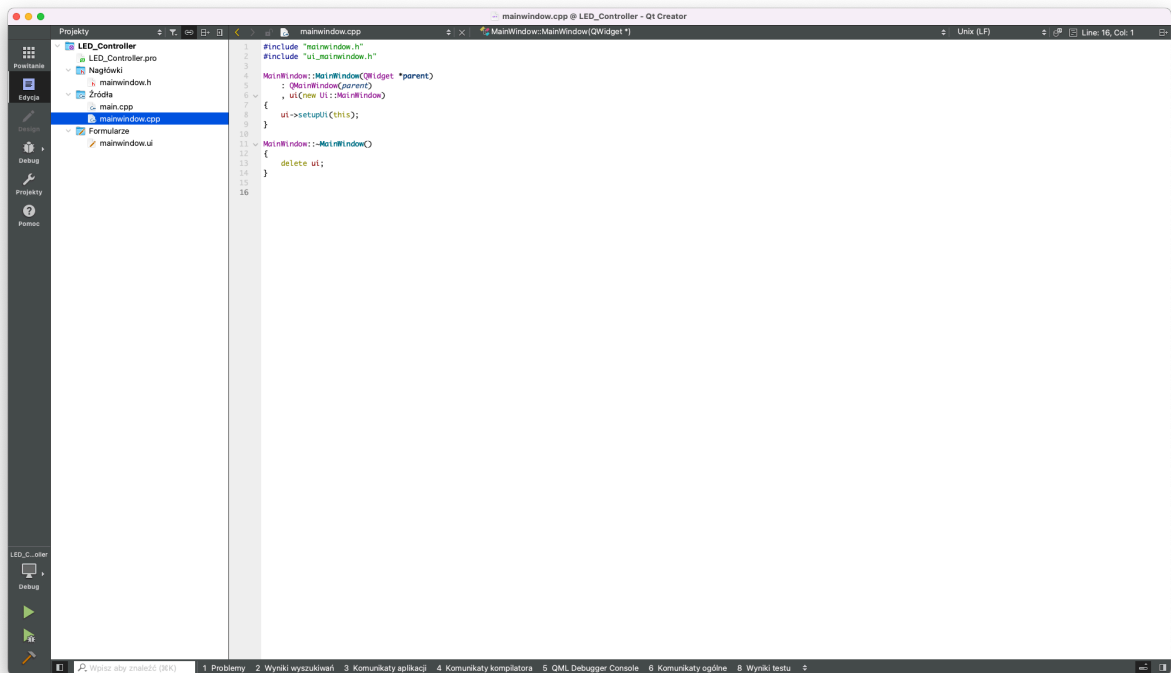
4. In the following windows, leave the default settings.
5. In the toolkit selection window, select Qt 6.3x for *macOS* (*MinGW* on *Windows*):



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6. Structure view of the generated project:



7. In the LED_Controller.pro project file, add the *serialport* library:

```
QT += core gui

greaterThan(QT_MAJOR_VERSION, 4): QT += widgets serialport

CONFIG += c++17

# You can make your code fail to compile if it uses deprecated APIs.
# In order to do so, uncomment the following line.
#DEFINES += QT_DISABLE_DEPRECATED_BEFORE=0x060000   # disables all the APIs deprecated before Qt 6.0.0

SOURCES += \
    main.cpp \
    mainwindow.cpp

HEADERS += \
    mainwindow.h

FORMS += \
    mainwindow.ui

# Default rules for deployment.
qnx: target.path = /tmp/${TARGET}/bin
else: unix:!android: target.path = /opt/${TARGET}/bin
!isEmpty(target.path): INSTALLS += target
```

8. Go to the *mainwindow.h* file and modify the code:

```
#ifndef MAINWINDOW_H
#define MAINWINDOW_H

#include <QMainWindow>
#include <QtSerialPort/QSerialPort>
#include <QtSerialPort/QSerialPortInfo>

QT_BEGIN_NAMESPACE
namespace Ui { class MainWindow; }
QT_END_NAMESPACE

class MainWindow : public QMainWindow
{
    Q_OBJECT

public:
    MainWindow(QWidget *parent = nullptr);
    ~MainWindow();

private:
    Ui::MainWindow *ui;
```

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```
QSerialPort serial;
QByteArray cmdData;
QByteArray rawData;

private slots:
void readData();
void error(QSerialPort::SerialPortError error);
};
#endif // MAINWINDOW_H
```

9. Go to the *mainwindow.cpp* file and modify the code:

```
#include "mainwindow.h"
#include "ui_mainwindow.h"

MainWindow::MainWindow(QWidget *parent)
: QMainWindow(parent)
, ui(new Ui::MainWindow)
{
    ui->setupUi(this);

    ui->statusbar->showMessage("No device");
    QString portname;
    const auto infos = QSerialPortInfo::availablePorts();
    for (const QSerialPortInfo &info : infos) {
        // if(info.portName()=="cu.usbmodem020140202") { // OS Windows e.g "COM1"
        // if(info.description() == "LPC11U3x CMSIS-DAP v1.0.4") {
        if(info.manufacturer() == "NXP Semiconductors") {
            portname=info.portName();
            serial.setPortName(portname);
            if (serial.open(QIODevice::ReadWrite)) {
                ui->statusbar->showMessage(tr("Device: %1").arg(info.portName()));
                serial.setBaudRate( serial.Baud9600, serial.AllDirections);
                serial.clear();
            } else {
                ui->statusbar->showMessage(tr("Can't open %1, error code
%2").arg(serial.portName()).arg(serial.error()));
                return;
            }
            break;
        }
    }

    connect(&serial, &QSerialPort::readyRead, this, &MainWindow::readData);
    connect(&serial, &QSerialPort::errorOccurred, this, &MainWindow::error);

    rawData.clear();
}

MainWindow::~MainWindow()
{
    delete ui;
}

void MainWindow::readData()
{
    rawData.append(serial.readAll());
    if(rawData.size() >= 2 && (rawData.last(2)) == "\r\n") {
        rawData= rawData.trimmed(); // delete \r\n
        qDebug()<<rawData;
        rawData.clear();
    }
}

void MainWindow::error(QSerialPort::SerialPortError error)
{
    qDebug()<<error;
    qDebug()<<"-----";
}
```

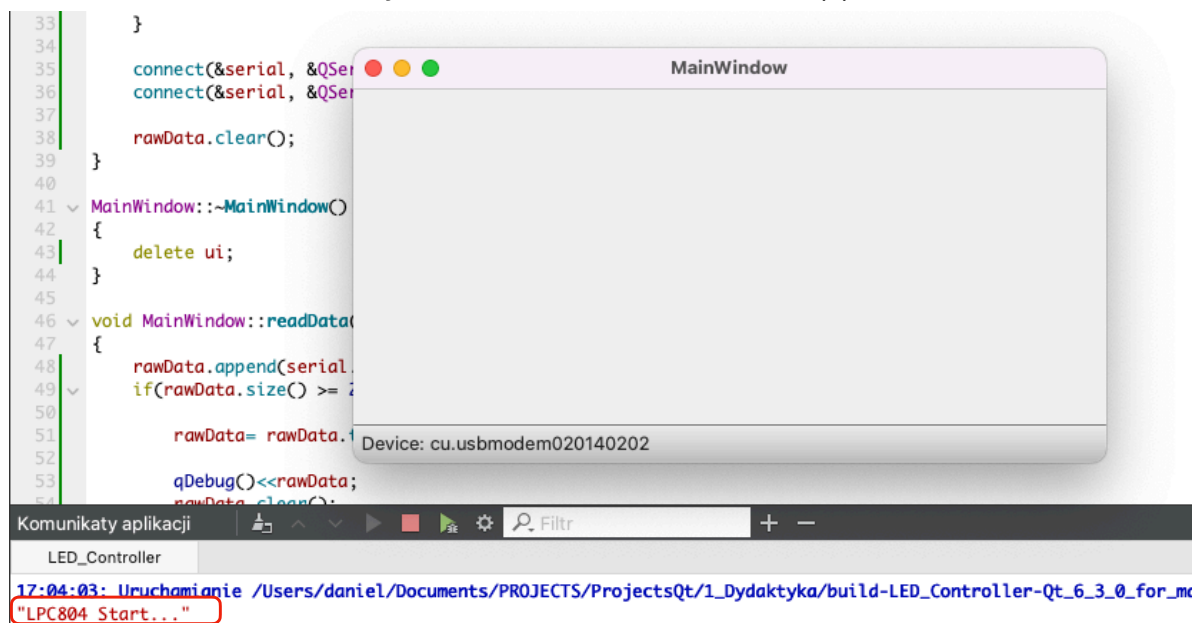

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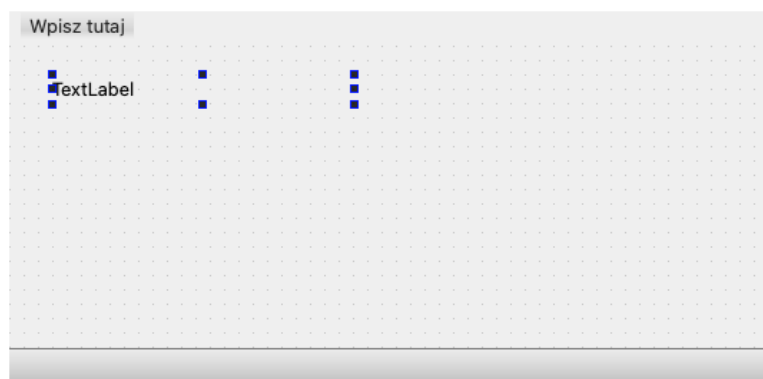
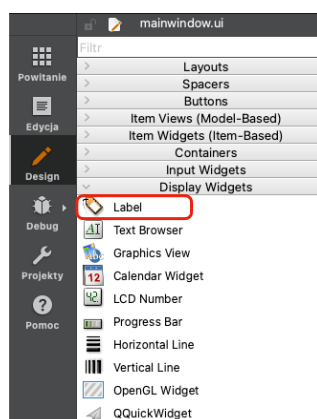
10. Connect the board with the microcontroller to the *USB* port.
11. Build a project and run the application. The text with the name of the virtual serial port should appear in the *status bar*:



12. Press the reset on the microcontroller board. In the *Application Messages* window, the text sent by the microcontroller should appear in *Qt Creator*:



13. Close the application.
14. Go to *Forms* -> *mainwindow.ui* and insert (drag) *label* widget onto the form:



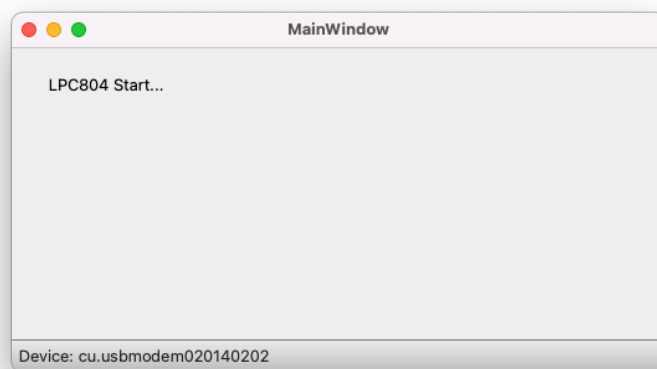
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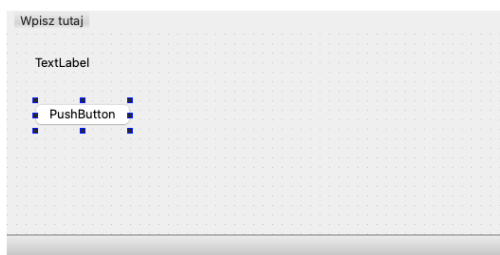
15. Go to the `readData` method in `mainwindow.cpp` and add the code:

```
void MainWindow::readData()
{
    rawData.append(serial.readAll());
    if(rawData.size() >= 2 && (rawData.last(2)) == "\r\n") {
        rawData= rawData.trimmed(); // delete \r\n
        ui->label->setText(rawData);
        qDebug()<<rawData;
        rawData.clear();
    }
}
```

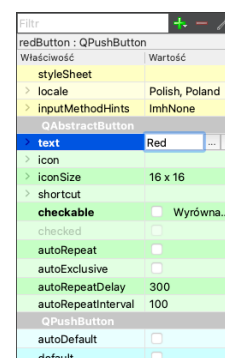
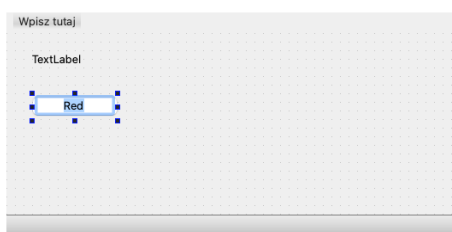
16. Build and run the application and then press the reset button on the microcontroller board. The received text should be displayed on the `label` widget:



17. Close the application, go to `Forms -> mainwindow.ui` and insert the `PushButton` button on the form:



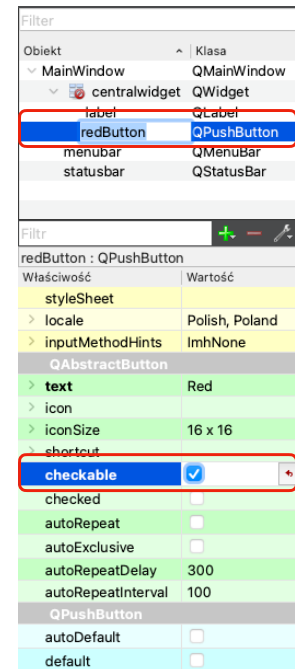
18. Change the `label` to `Red` by double-clicking or in the properties, column on the right side of the `Qt Creator` window:



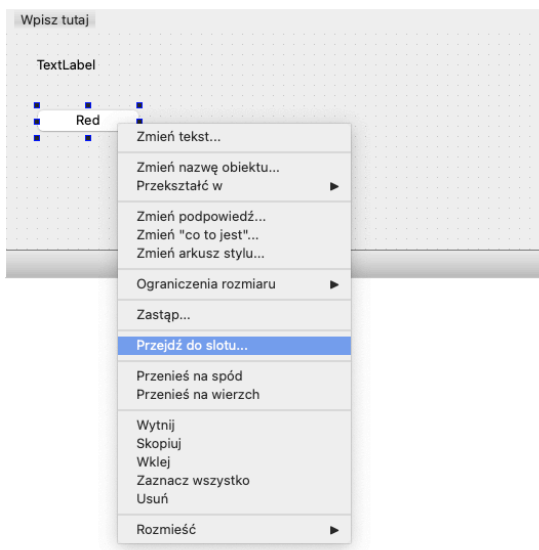
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19. Rename the *pushButton* object to *redButton* and set the checkable property to true in the object properties on the right side of the *Qt Creator window*:



20. By right-clicking, from the context menu, select *Go to Slot...* Then select the clicked signal:



21. A slot will appear in the *mainwindow.cpp* file (definition in the *mainwindow.h* file) *on_redButton_clicked*:

```
void MainWindow::on_redButton_clicked()
{
}
}
```

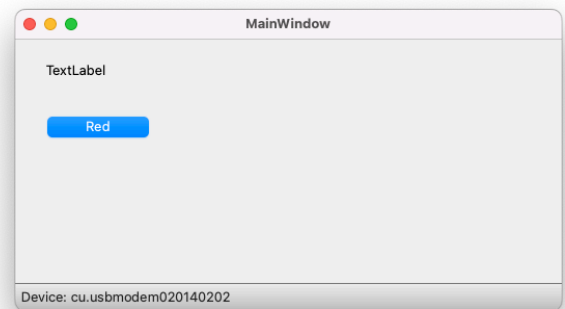
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22. Add code that sends data to the microcontroller:

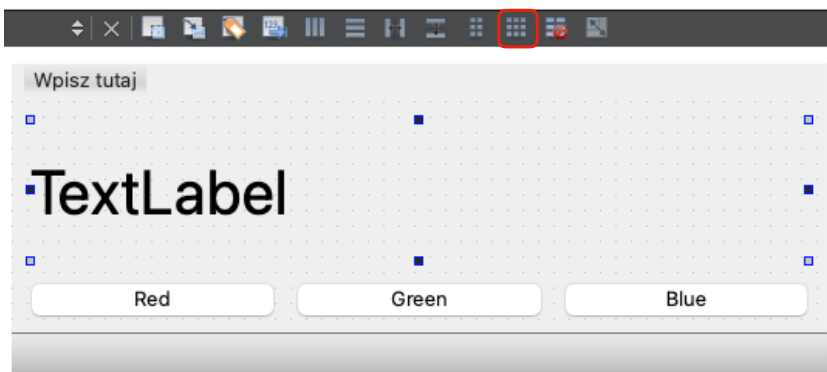
```
void MainWindow::on_redButton_clicked()
{
    cmdData.clear();
    cmdData.append(ui->redButton->isChecked() ? 'a' : 'z');
    serial.write(cmdData);
}
```

23. Build and run the application and then press the *Red* button. The red *LED* should glow when the button is pushed in and go out when the button is pushed out:



III. Exercises

1. Add extra buttons to control the *green* and *blue LEDs*.
2. Arrange widgets in the form grid and increase the *font size* of the *label* widget to 40:



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Wielkość pun...	40
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Kursywa	<input type="checkbox"/>
Podkreślony	<input type="checkbox"/>
Przekreślony	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kerning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Antialiasing	Preferuj domy...
cursor	Strzałka
mouseTracking	<input type="checkbox"/>
tabletTracking	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Add sending information from the microcontroller about turning *on* or *off* individual *LEDs* and displaying them on the *label* widget:

