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Objectives:

The objectives of this experiment are to

- a. Study the SPI protocol used in Arduino.
- b. Write assembly language programming code for SPI communication with Arduinos.
- c. Use SPI protocol for communication between two Arduinos.
- d. Build a circuit to control the master side LED by the push button at the slave side and vice versa using the SPI Serial communication protocol.
- e. Know the working principles of the SPI used in Arduino.

Equipment List:

1. Arduino IDE (2.0.1 or any recent version)
2. Arduino UNO (2)
3. LED (2)
4. Push Button (2)
5. Resistors 10 k, 2.2 k (2 + 2)
6. Breadboard
7. Connecting Wires

Circuit Diagram:

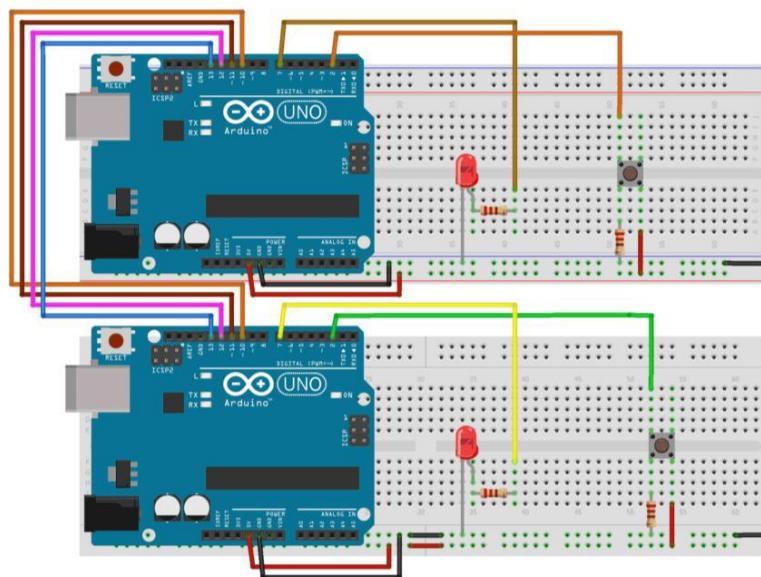


Figure 1: Circuit schematic of the experiment communication between two Arduino Boards using SPI.

Experimental Output Results:

Here are the output results of the experiment on communication between two Arduino Boards using SPI. One of them is Master (controller) circuit and another is Slave (Peripheral) circuit. In this program if the peripheral circuit switch is pressed the controller circuit LED will turn on and if the controller circuit switch is pressed the peripheral circuit LED will turn on.

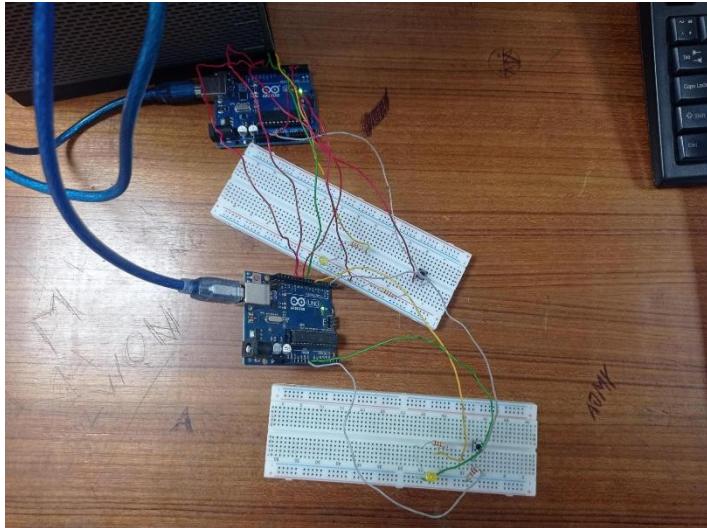


Figure 2: Both master and slave circuit LEDs are in off state

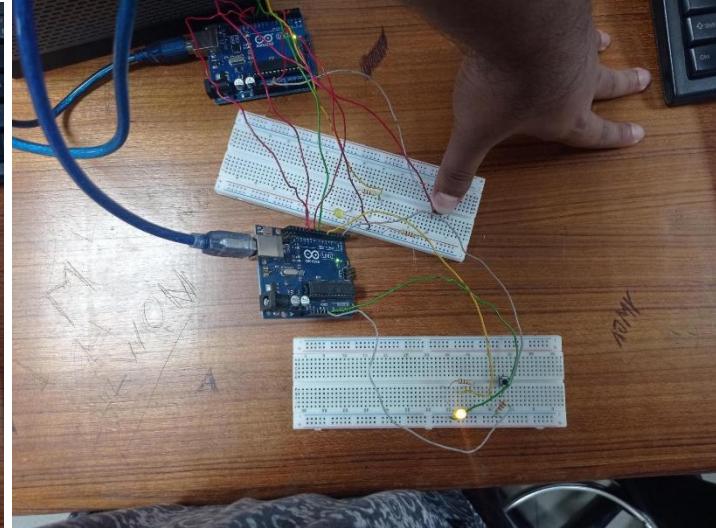


Figure 3: Pressing slave button to turn on master circuit LED

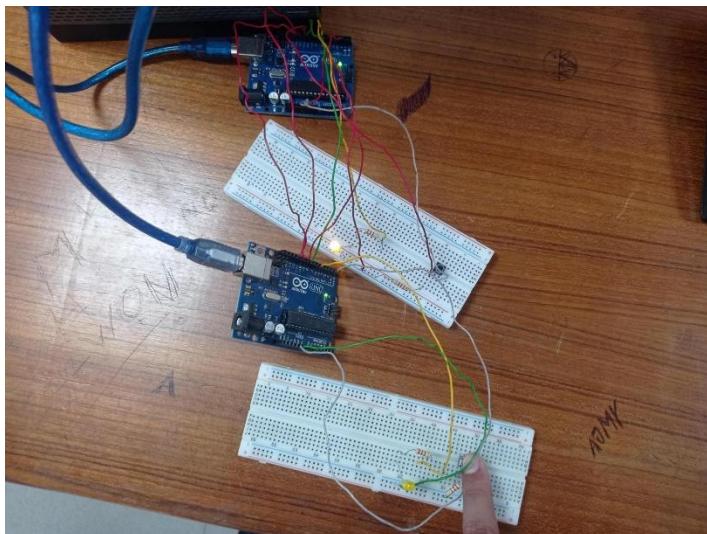


Figure 4: Pressing master button to turn on slave circuit LED

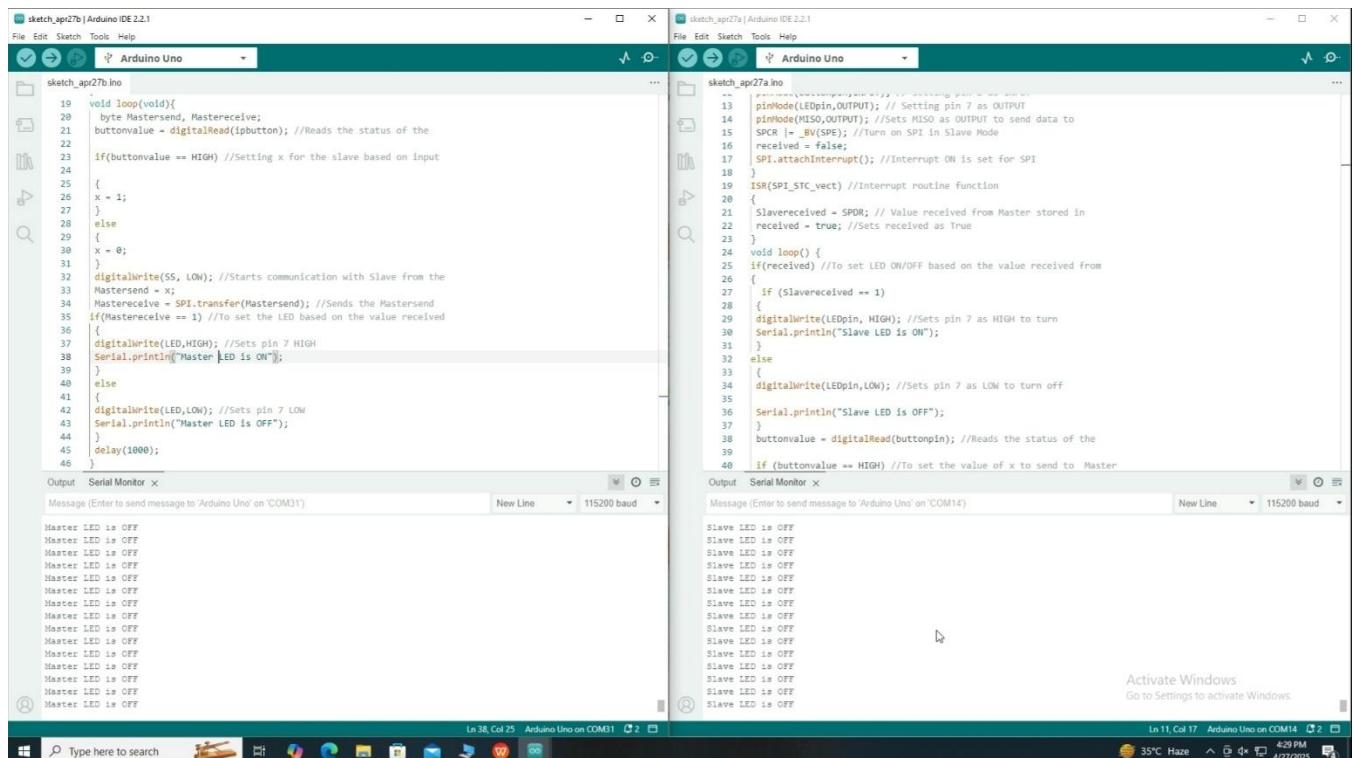


Figure 5: Both switches were not pressed

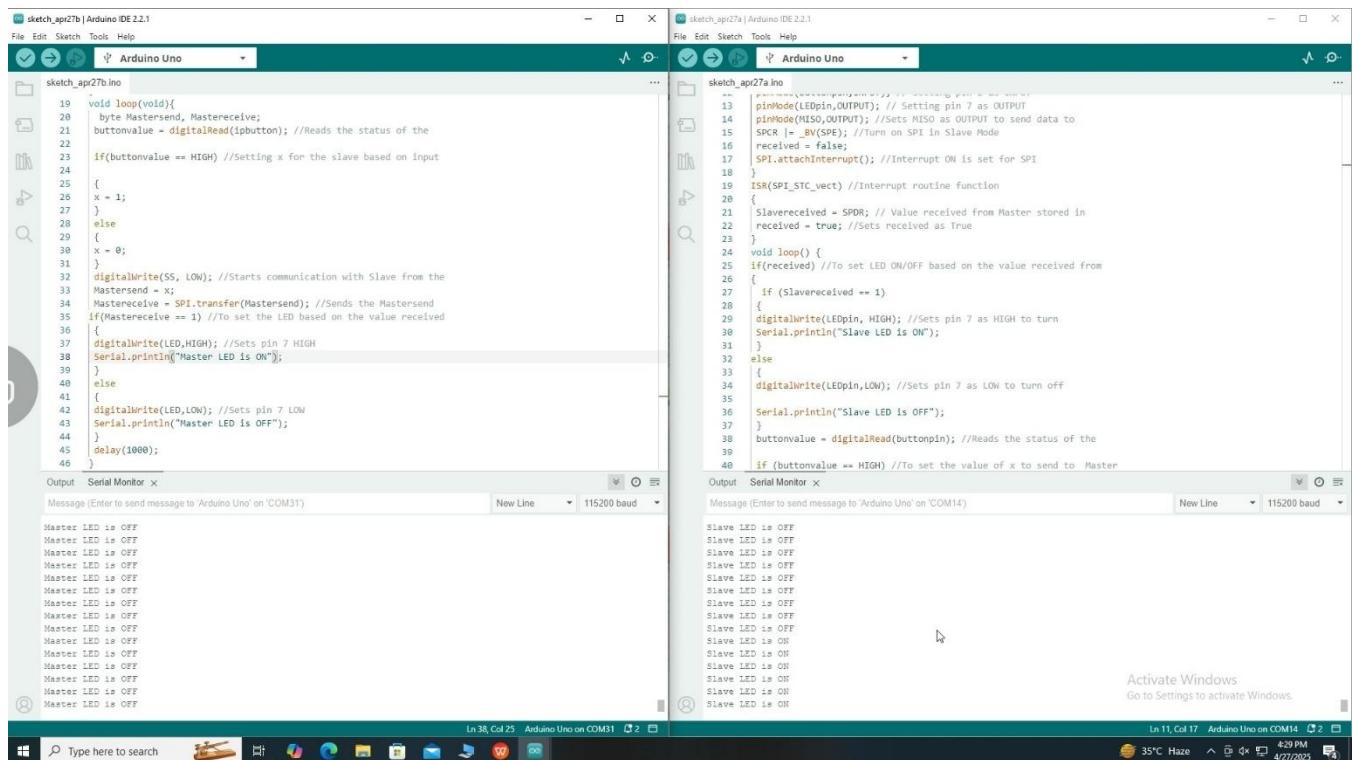


Figure 6: Pressing Master Circuit Button

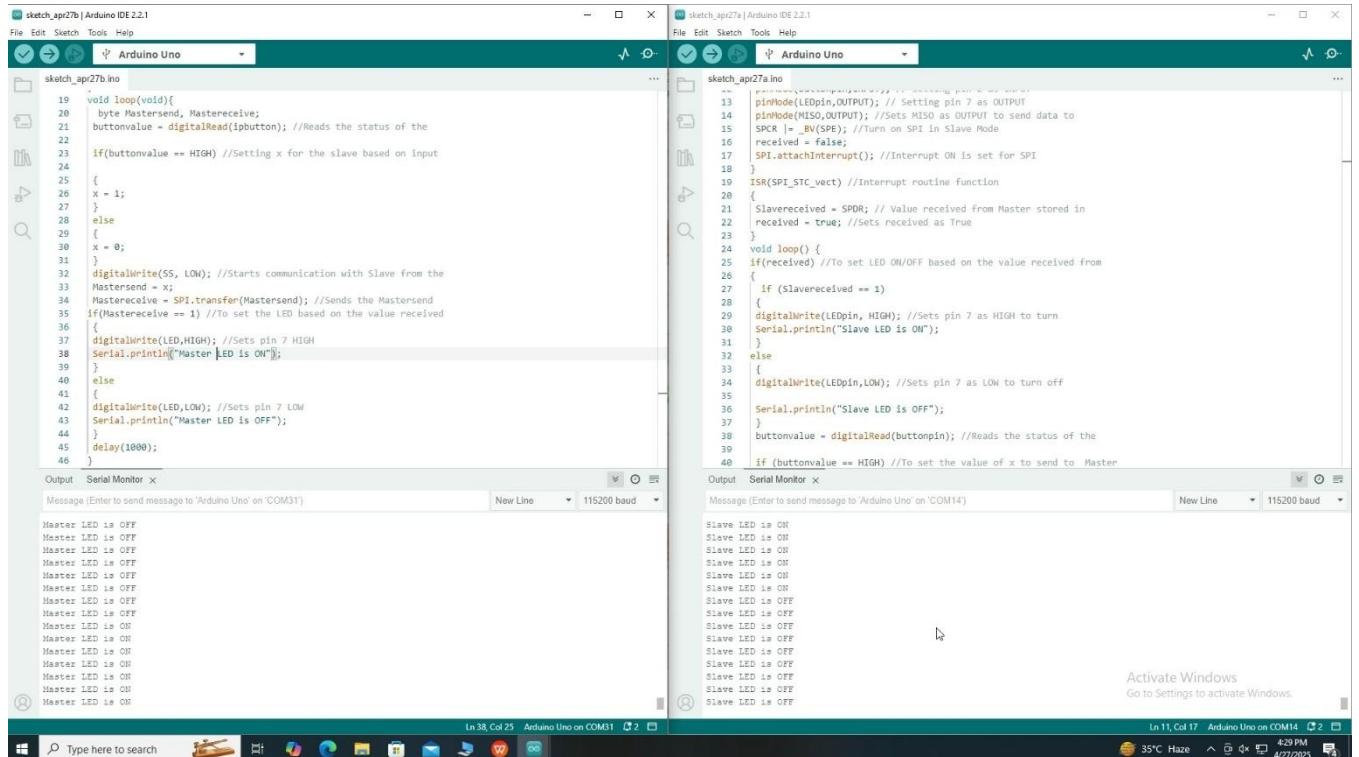


Figure 7: Pressing Slave Circuit Button

Using the serial monitor the operation can be seen when the Master led turns on and when the Slave led turns on. If the master circuit button is pressed the Slavereceived variable will be high, and it will print Slave LED is ON and if the slave circuit button is pressed the Mastereceived variable will be high, and it will print Master LED is ON. Otherwise, both LEDs were turned off by default.

Simulation Output Results:

The simulation was done using proteus software. Two Arduino were used one as master(controller) and another one is as slave(peripheral) for SPI communication between two Arduino. Arduinos SS, MISO, MOSI and SCK pin are connected for that communication. Pin 7 is configured as an output pin which is connected to LEDs a pin 2 is configured as input pin which is connected to switch on both circuits. The codes were compiled using Arduino IDE and generates the .hex file for 2 different codes master and slave. The .hex files were uploaded to the respective arduino then the simulation was run successfully.

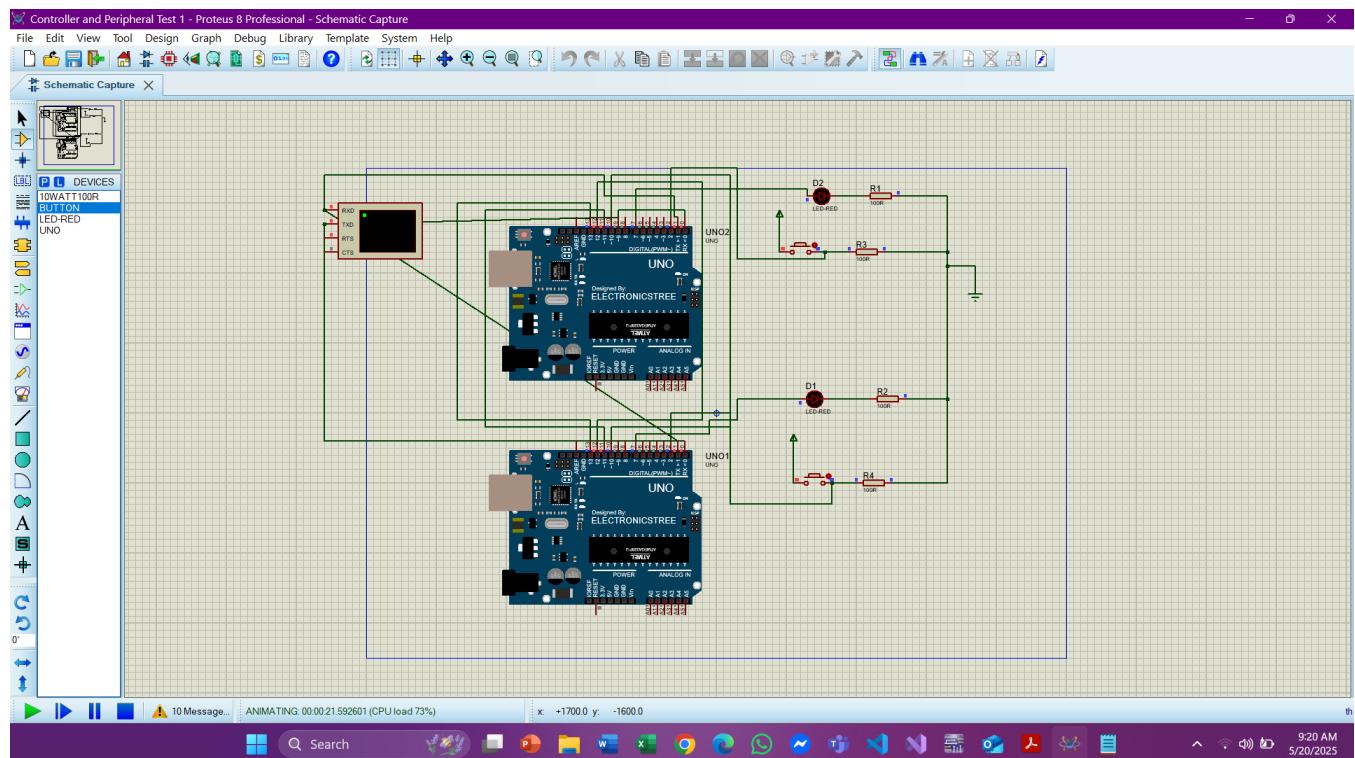


Figure 8: Both Circuit LEDs are in off state

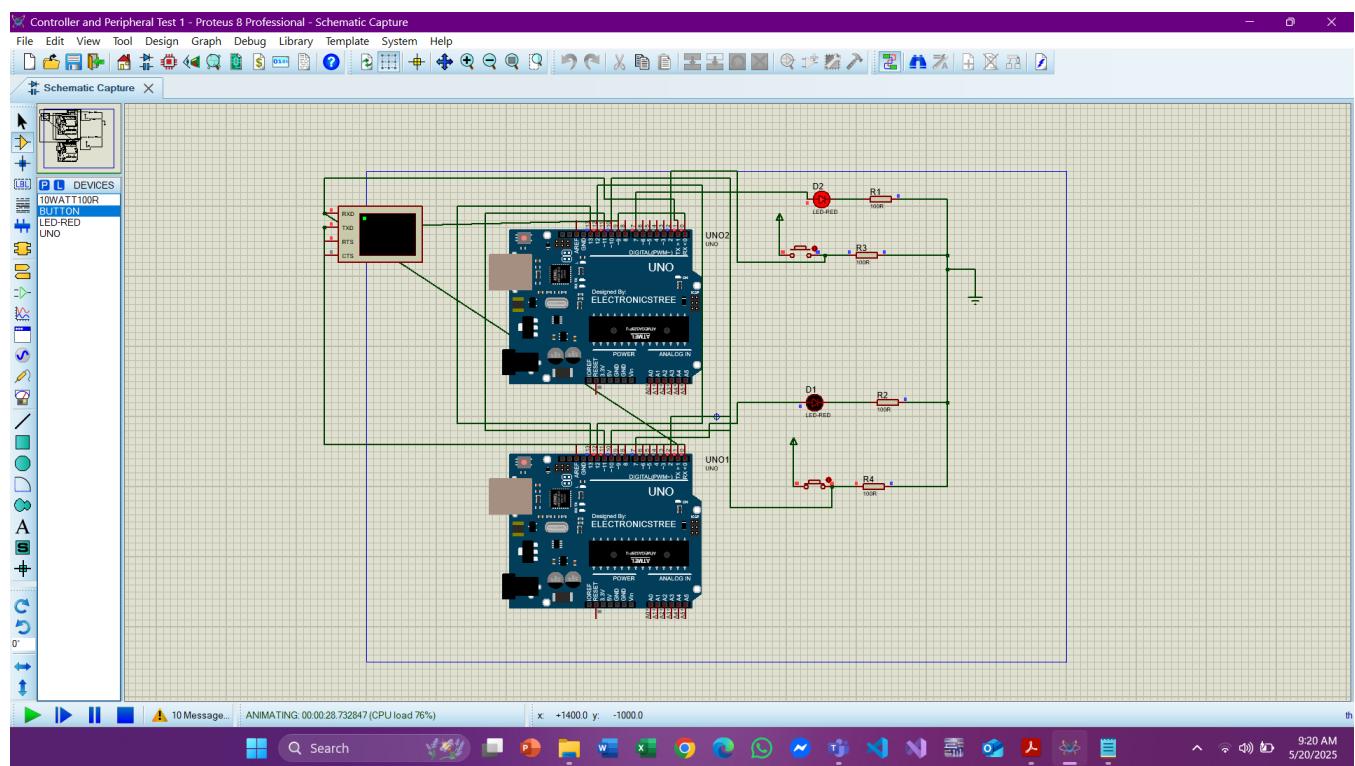


Figure 9: Master Circuit switch pressed and slave circuit LED on.

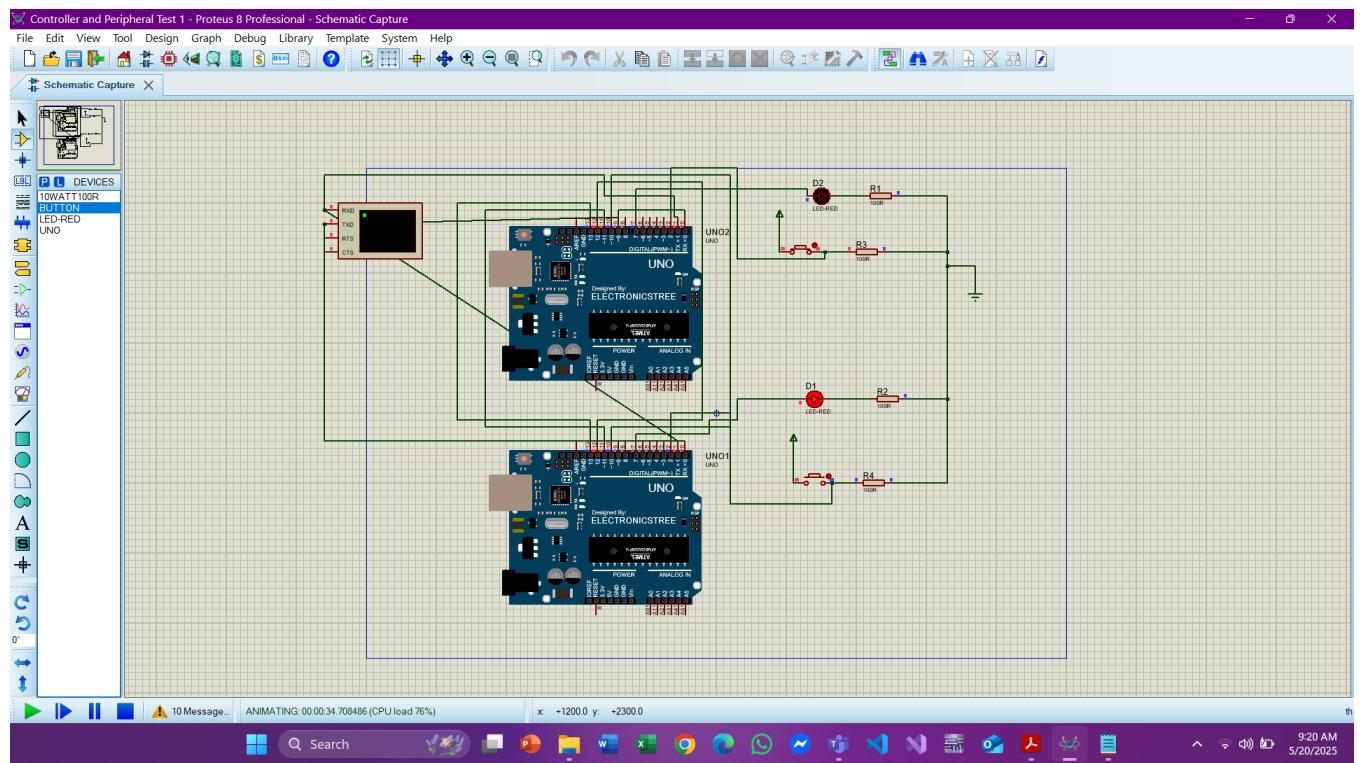


Figure 10: Slave circuit switch pressed and master circuit LED on.

Answers to the Questions in the Lab Manual:

1.

Master/Controller Arduino Code:

```
#include<SPI.h> //Library for SPI
#define LED 7
#define ipbutton 2
int buttonvalue;
int x;
void setup (void){
Serial.begin(115200); //Starts Serial Communication at Baud Rate 115200
pinMode(ipbutton,INPUT); //Sets pin 2 as input
pinMode(LED,OUTPUT); //Sets pin 7 as Output
SPI.begin(); //Begins the SPI communication
SPI.setClockDivider(SPI_CLOCK_DIV8); //Sets clock for SPI communication at
// 8 (16/8 = 2 MHz)
digitalWrite(SS,HIGH); //Setting SS to HIGH do disconnect master from slave
}
void loop(void){
byte Mastersend, Mastereceive;
buttonvalue = digitalRead(ipbutton); //Reads the status of the pin 2
if(buttonvalue == HIGH) //Setting x for the slave based on input at pin 2
{
x = 1;
}
else
{
x = 0;
}
digitalWrite(SS, LOW); //Starts communication with Slave from the Master
Mastersend = x;
Mastereceive = SPI.transfer(Mastersend); //Sends the Mastersend value to
//the slave and also receives value from the slave
```

```

if(Mastereceive == 1) //To set the LED based on the value received from slave
{
digitalWrite(LED,HIGH); //Sets pin 7 HIGH
Serial.println("Master LED is ON");
}
else
{
digitalWrite(LED,LOW); //Sets pin 7 LOW
Serial.println("Master LED is OFF");
}
delay(1000);
}

```

Slave/Peripherals Arduino Code:

```

#include<SPI.h>
#define LEDpin 7
#define buttonpin 2
volatile boolean received;
volatile byte Slavereceived, Slavesend;
int buttonvalue;
int x;
void setup(){
Serial.begin(115200);
pinMode(buttonpin,INPUT); // Setting pin 2 as INPUT
pinMode(LEDpin,OUTPUT); // Setting pin 7 as OUTPUT
pinMode(MISO,OUTPUT); //Sets MISO as OUTPUT to send data to Master In
SPCR |= _BV(SPE); //Turn on SPI in Slave Mode
received = false;
SPI.attachInterrupt(); //Interrupt ON is set for SPI communication
}
ISR(SPI_STC_vect) //Interrupt routine function
{
Slavereceived = SPDR; // Value received from Master stored in Slavereceived
received = true; //Sets received as True
}

```

```
void loop() {
if(received) //To set LED ON/OFF based on the value received from Master
{
if (Slavereceived == 1)
{
digitalWrite(LEDpin, HIGH); //Sets pin 7 as HIGH to turn on LED
Serial.println("Slave LED is ON");
}
else
{
digitalWrite(LEDpin,LOW); //Sets pin 7 as LOW to turn off LED
Serial.println("Slave LED is OFF");
}
buttonvalue = digitalRead(buttonpin); //Reads the status of the pin 2
if (buttonvalue == HIGH) //To set the value of x to send to Master
{
x = 1;
}
else
{
x=0;
}
Slavesend = x;
SPDR = Slavesend; //Sends the x value to the Master via SPDR
delay(1000);
}
}
```

3.

My ID is 23-51819-2 compared with XY-PQABC-Z, B = 1 and C = 9. That means pin 1 will be configured as input pin and pin 9 will be configured as output pin. After applying these changes the program and output will be,

```
// Program for master device
#include<SPI.h> //Library for SPI
#define LED 9
#define ipbutton 1
int buttonvalue;
int x;
void setup (void){
Serial.begin(115200); //Starts Serial Communication at Baud Rate 115200
pinMode(ipbutton,INPUT); //Sets pin 2 as input
pinMode(LED,OUTPUT); //Sets pin 7 as Output
SPI.begin(); //Begins the SPI communication
SPI.setClockDivider(SPI_CLOCK_DIV8); //Sets clock for SPI communication at
// 8 (16/8 = 2 MHz)
digitalWrite(SS,HIGH); //Setting SS to HIGH do disconnect master from slave
}
void loop(void){
byte Mastersend, Mastereceive;
buttonvalue = digitalRead(ipbutton); //Reads the status of the pin 2
if(buttonvalue == HIGH) //Setting x for the slave based on input at pin 2
{
x = 1;
}
else
{
x = 0;
}
digitalWrite(SS, LOW); //Starts communication with Slave from the Master
Mastersend = x;
```

```

Masterreceive = SPI.transfer(Mastersend); //Sends the Mastersend value to
//the slave and also receives value from the
if(Masterreceive == 1) //To set the LED based on the value received from slave
{
    digitalWrite(LED,HIGH); //Sets pin 7 HIGH
    Serial.println("Master LED is ON");
}
else
{
    digitalWrite(LED,LOW); //Sets pin 7 LOW
    Serial.println("Master LED is OFF");
}
delay(1000);
}

```

Program for Slave device:

```

#include<SPI.h>
#define LEDpin 9
#define buttonpin 1
volatile boolean received;
volatile byte Slavereceived, Slavesend;
int buttonvalue;
int x;
void setup(){
Serial.begin(115200);
pinMode(buttonpin,INPUT); // Setting pin 2 as INPUT
pinMode(LEDpin,OUTPUT); // Setting pin 7 as OUTPUT
pinMode(MISO,OUTPUT); //Sets MISO as OUTPUT to send data to Master In
SPCR |= _BV(SPE); //Turn on SPI in Slave Mode
received = false;
SPI.attachInterrupt(); //Interrupt ON is set for SPI communication
}

```

```

ISR(SPI_STC_vect) //Interrupt routine function
{
Slavereceived = SPDR; // Value received from Master stored in Slavereceived
received = true; //Sets received as True
}
void loop() {
if(received)
{ //To set LED ON/OFF based on the value received from Master
if (Slavereceived == 1)
{
digitalWrite(LEDpin, HIGH); //Sets pin 7 as HIGH to turn on LED
Serial.println("Slave LED is ON");
}
else
{
digitalWrite(LEDpin,LOW); //Sets pin 7 as LOW to turn off LED
Serial.println("Slave LED is OFF");
}
buttonvalue = digitalRead(buttonpin); //Reads the status of the pin 2
if (buttonvalue == HIGH) //To set the value of x to send to Master
{
x = 1;
}
else
{
x=0;
}
Slavesend = x;
SPDR = Slavesend; //Sends the x value to the Master via SPDR
delay(1000);
}
}

```

The Simulation result is,

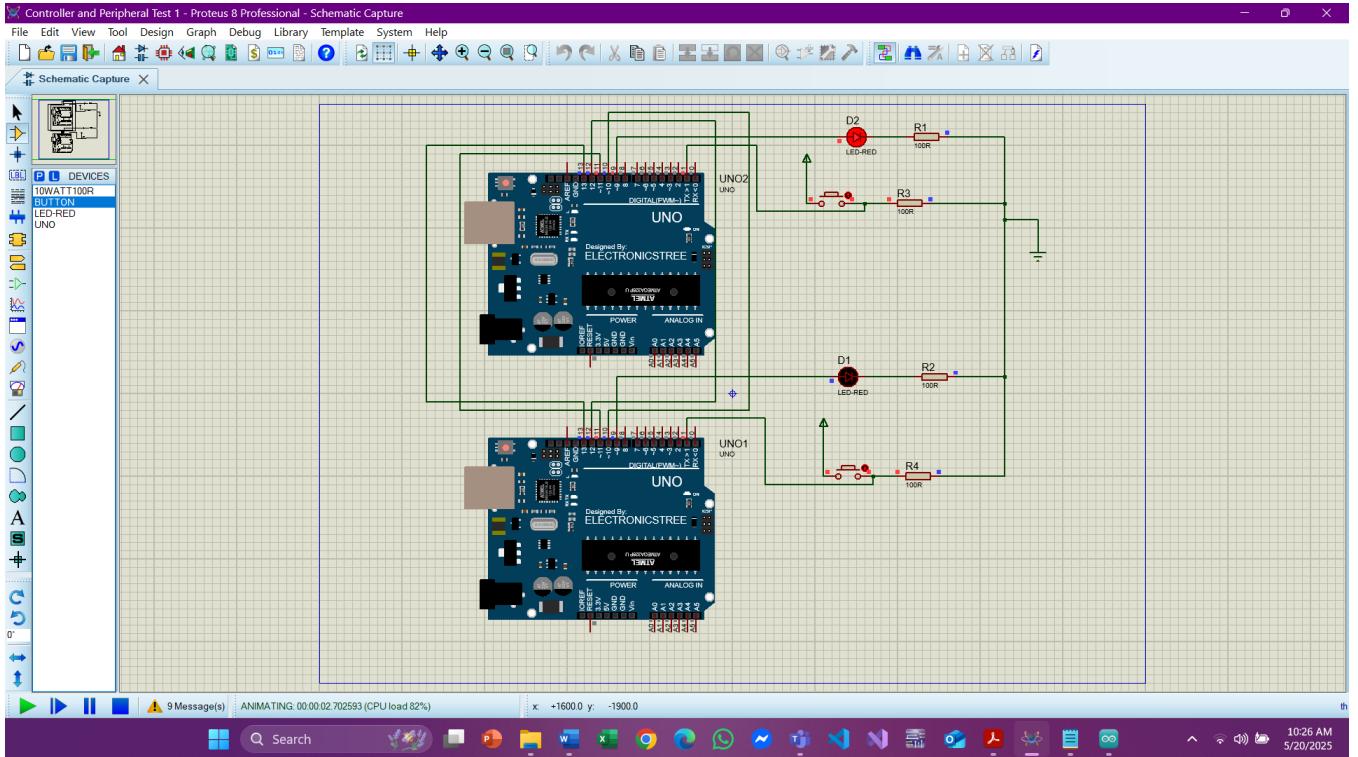


Figure 11: Without pressing and switch the master device LED blink with 2 second delay

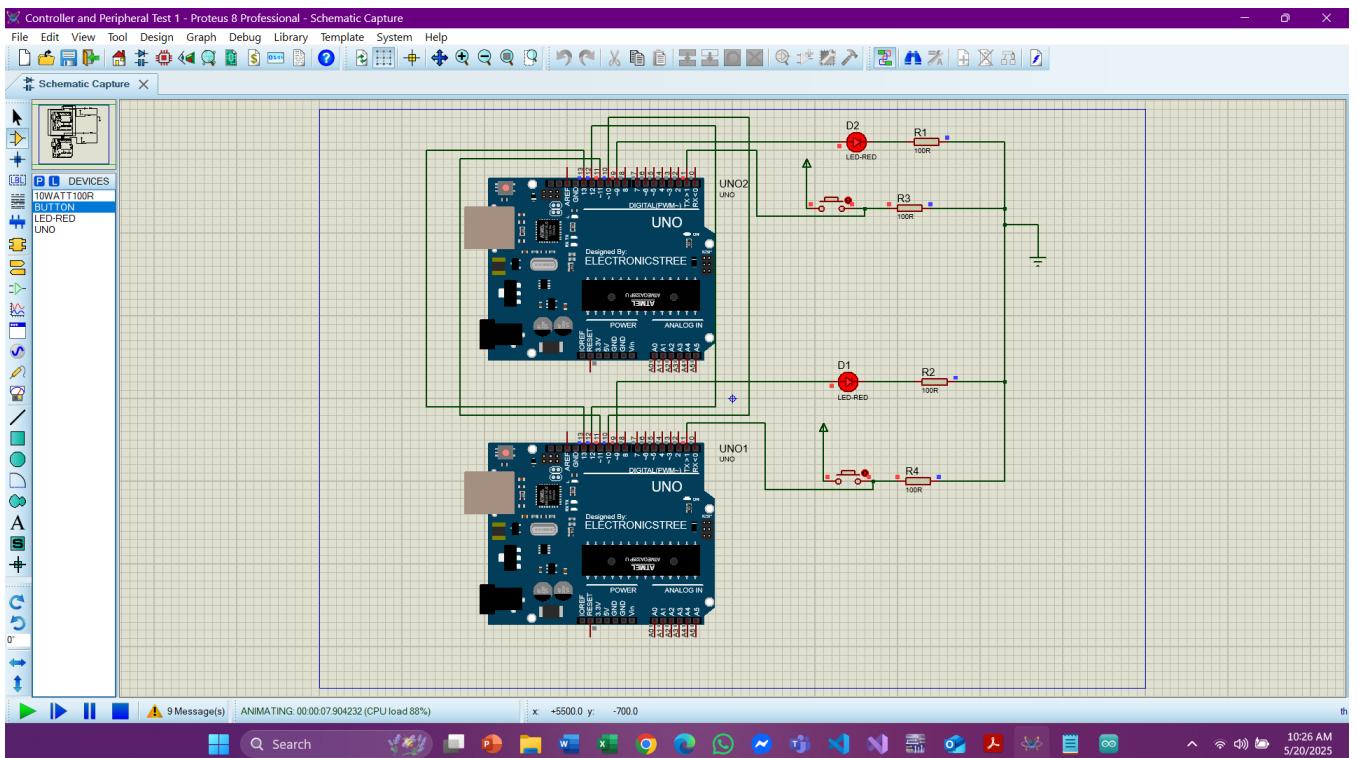


Figure 12: After pressing the Master device switch the Master Device LED keeps in ON state.

In the simulation there is no effect of slave switch. The slave device LED is always turned on.

Discussion:

In this lab experiment, SPI communication was implemented between two Arduino boards, where one was configured as the master and the other as the slave. The objective was to control the LED on the master board using a push button on the slave board, and vice versa. The SPI pins (MOSI, MISO, SCK, and SS) were properly connected, and code was written to transmit button states and control LEDs accordingly. It was observed that pressing the slave's button caused the master's LED to toggle, while the master's button was used to control the slave's LED in return. Through this experiment, a fundamental understanding of SPI communication was gained, including the master-driven data transfer and the importance of synchronization. Real-life applications such as home automation, modular robotics, and industrial control systems were identified, where similar microcontroller communication techniques are often used. Overall, valuable practical experience was acquired in the field of embedded system communication.

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