Lab 1 (part 2): Going Further - Timer Overflow Interrupts

Preparation

Reading

Lab Manual:

Chapter 2 - Lab Equipment

Chapter 4 - The Silicon Labs C8051F020 and the EVB (sections relating to Timers and Interrupts)

C language reference concepts:

Data types, declarations, variables, variable scope, symbolic constants, functions

Embedded Control Multimedia Tutorials

Hardware: Multimeter

Objectives

General

1. Introduction to timer overflow interrupts.

2. Further familiarization with the hardware and software aspects of digital input and output.

Hardware

1. Familiarization with the use of the multimeter as a voltmeter.

2. Configuration of push buttons to produce a 0 or +5 volt digital output which will serve as an input to the C8051.

3. Addition of a push button to control various digital outputs for the game lab (Lab 2).

Software

1. Further refinement of skills requiring bit manipulation.

2. Keeping track of time using timer overflow interrupts.

3. Use of a random number to determine the color of bi-color LED.

Motivation

In the previous lab, you explored the use of *digital* inputs and outputs. You will continue the use of *digital* input/output, implementing another output LED. The laboratory introduces the use of Timers to measure specific periods of time. Additionally, Interrupts are used to monitor specific events, timer overflows in this lab, and allow the code to act based on those events. This laboratory provides further foundation for *Lab 2:A Microprocessor-Controlled Game - Memory game*.

Lab Description & Activities

In this program, the Slide Switch (SS) represents an 'on/off' toggle to control the game. Turning the Slide Switch 'on' starts the game. When SS is in the 'off' position, the game pauses and will resume once the Slide Switch is turned back 'on'. Note, during a pause, the timer needs to be disabled. The game itself involves reacting to the random lighting of LEDs. Two LEDs are used, with three possible states

1. Only LED0 is lit
2. Only LED1 is lit
3. Both LED0 and LED1 are lit.

Two pushbuttons are used as inputs to the game. The player reacts by pushing the pushbuttons associated with each LED.

- If LED0 is lit, the player pushes PB0

- If LED1 is lit, the player pushes PB1

- If both LED0 and LED1 are lit, the player pushes both PB0 and PB1

The game uses a random number generator to decide whether to light LED0, LED1 or both. Program code is implemented to generate a random selection of the numbers 0, 1 and 2.

- If the random number is 0, light LED0

- If the random number is 1, light LED1

- If the random number is 2, light both LED0 and LED1

The LEDs are lit for one second. At the end of that one second, the inputs are checked and the program stores whether a correct or incorrect response was made. Then, your program will generate a new random number. To avoid confusion, if the new random number is same as the previous random number, disregard it and continue generating numbers until a different number is generated. Thus, the same LED pattern is not repeated on successive turns.

Furthermore, the BILED is used to indicate correct and incorrect inputs from the pushbuttons. If the player inputs correctly, the BILED should be lit green. If the player inputs incorrectly, the BILED should be lit red.

Your game should consist of 10 turns. After completing the game, your program should print out the number of correct responses. The game is restarted by moving the slide switch to the 'off' position and then back to the 'on' position.

Hardware

You will need to add one LED to your circuit, with the appropriate wiring and buffer chip connections. *Figure 1-2.2* shows the hardware configuration for this lab. For convenience, the push buttons (PB0 and PB1) should be mounted side by side right below the corresponding LEDs. The buzzer will not be used in this laboratory.

Remember

Do not disassemble the circuitry you built for Lab 1 - it will be used in Lab 2.

Software

You will need to write a C program to perform as described above. Timer overflows are configured as a 16-bit counter using System Clock. Included at the end of this assignment is sample C code providing an foundation to get started on Lab 1 part 2. The code includes functions to initialize the Timer and Interrupt registers. A function that generates random numbers is also included. Some of the code references code that you developed in Lab 1 part 2. Use the sample code to refine the Lab 1 part 1 code for this lab. Another program demonstrates a method for generating a random number in *C*.

The sample code has been provided as a c-file and is available on LMS in Section 4 of course materials.

Lab Check-Off: Demonstration and Verification

1. Complete the entries in your lab notebook as described below and present it to your TA.

2. Run your C program and demonstrate that it performs as stated above.

3. Explain to the TA how Timer 0 and interrupts are used in your code.

4. Your TA may ask you to explain how other sections of the C code or circuitry you developed for this exercise work. To do this, you will need to understand the entire system.

Writing Assignment - Lab Notebook

Be sure to keep your Lab Notebook current by recording you and your lab partner's work and progress for every lab. Don't forget to refer to the guidelines in *Appendix B- Writing Assignment Guidelines 139*.

Grading-Preparation and Checkoff

The checkoff procedure for Laboratory 1-1 is available on LMS. Prior to the starting the laboratory you must complete

1) The appropriate Worksheets (Worksheet 4).
2) The Pin-out form
3) The Pseudocode (HW4 and revision when finished)

When you are ready to be checked off, the TAs will be looking at the following items

4) That your project performs all the indicated requirements (defined above in *Lab Description & Activities*)
5) Appropriately formatted and commented source code
6) Clean and neat hardware, with appropriate use of colors for source and ground connections

Additionally, you will be asked a number of questions. The questions will cover topics such as

7) Identify parts of software operations, understanding the hardware components, understanding the test equipment

The final item that will be included in the Laboratory grade is your

8) Notebook.

The above 8 items each have an individual contribution to your Laboratory grade.
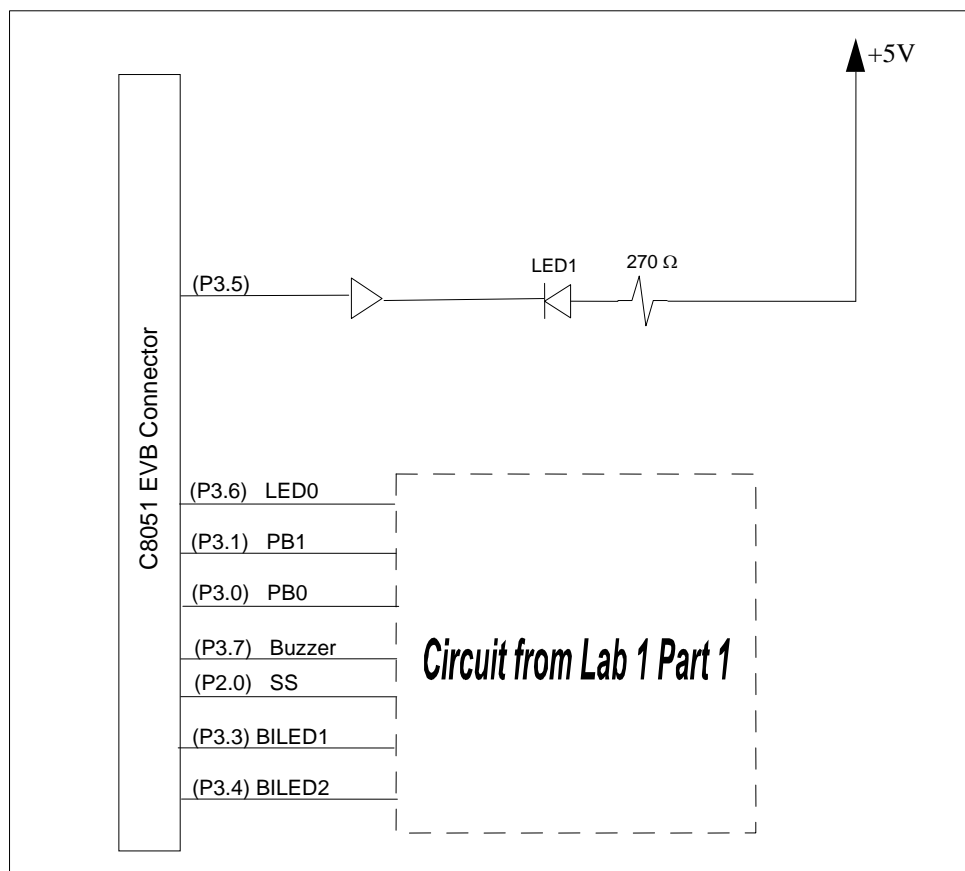
Figure 1-2.1 - Suggested hardware configuration for Lab 1 (part 2)

C Programs for Lab 1 (part 2)

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/*      Names:
        Section:
        Date:
        File name:
        Description:
*/
/*
  This program demonstrates the use of T0 interrupts. The code will count the
  number of T0 timer overflows that occur while a slide switch is in the ON position.
*/

#include <c8051_SDCC.h>// include files. This file is available online.
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

//-----------------------------------------------------------------------------
// Function Prototypes
//-----------------------------------------------------------------------------
void Port_Init(void);      // Initialize ports for input and output
void Timer_Init(void);     // Initialize Timer 0
void Interrupt_Init(void); //Initialize interrupts
void Timer0_ISR (void) interrupt 1;
unsigned char random(void);

//-----------------------------------------------------------------------------
// Global Variables
//-----------------------------------------------------------------------------
sbit at 0xB3 BILED1;
sbit at 0xB4 BILED2;
sbit at 0xB1 PB1;
sbit at 0xA0 SS;
// sbit settings are incomplete, include those developed
// in Lab 1-1 and add the sbit setting for LED1
unsigned int Counts = 0;


//***************
void main(void)
{
    Sys_Init();        // System Initialization
    Port_Init();       // Initialize ports 2 and 3
    Interrupt_Init();
    Timer_Init();       // Initialize Timer 0

    putchar(' ');     // the quote fonts may not copy correctly into SiLabs IDE
    printf("Start\r\n");

    while (1) /* the following loop prints the number of overflows that occur
                while the pushbutton is pressed, the BILED is lit while the
                button is pressed */
    {
        BILED1 = 0;  // Turn OFF the BILED
        BILED2 = 0;

        while( SS )  // while SS0 is ON (high)
        TR0 = 1;     // Timer 0 enabled

        while (PB1); // wait until PB1 is pressed
        Counts = 0;
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            while (!PB1);// wait until PB1 is released

            printf("\rNumber of Overflows = %d\n", Counts);
            BILED1 = 1;  // Turn ON the BILED
            BILED2 = 0;

            TR0 = 0;    // Timer 0 disabled

    }
}

//***************
void Port_Init(void)
{
    // edit the Port configuration from Lab 1-1
    // adding the output bit for LED1

}

void Interrupt_Init(void)
{
// IE |= ____;      // enable Timer0 Interrupt request
// EA = ____;       // enable global interrupts
}
//***************
void Timer_Init(void)
{

// CKCON |= _____;   // Timer0 uses SYSCLK as source
// TMOD &= _____;    // clear the 4 least significant bits
// TMOD |= _____;    // Timer0 in mode 1
    TR0 = 0;         // Stop Timer0
    TL0 = 0;         // Clear low byte of register T0
    TH0 = 0;         // Clear high byte of register T0

}


//***************
void Timer0_ISR(void) interrupt 1
{
// add interrupt code here, in this lab, the code will increment the
// global variable 'counts'
}

/***************************************************************************/
/*
  This function demonstrates how to obtain a random integer between 0 and 1 in
  C. You may modify and use this code to get a random integer between 0 and N.
*/

/* return a random integer number between 0 and 1 */
unsigned char random(void)
{
    return (rand()%2);  //rand returns a random number between 0 and 32767.
                        // the mod operation (%) returns the remainder of
                        // dividing this value by 2 and returns the result,
                        // a value of either 0 or 1.
}
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Recommended Procedure for Laboratory Development

As the semester progresses, the software portion will become more significant and the code will be longer. As discussed in Laboratory 1-1, it is recommended that you take an incremental approach to Laboratory development rather than trying to do everything at once. Some guidelines follow, though they do not have the level of detail seen in Laboratory 1-1.

1) Complete the hardware and software aspect of Worksheet 4.
   > This procedure is required to prepare for Laboratory 1, and is mentioned since it provides you with the initialization routines that you can use in the Laboratory. Having finished the worksheet, some basic code is available that you can copy into the *lab1-2.c* code you download from the course website.
2) Add the LED1 circuit.
   > The hardware from Laboratory 1-1 is unchanged, with the simple addition of one more LED. You may want to move some circuit components around as recommended in the Lab description, but that is not required.
3) Download and compile the code labeled *lab1-2.c* from LMS. Add your edits from the Worksheet 4 code.
   > The goal is obtained code with no syntax errors.
4) Take a small part of your Laboratory 1-1 output and input functions and test the input and output hardware that you wired.
   > Some simple bit of code to check each input and output is recommended, something along the lines of turning an LED on and off or printing the state of an input circuit component. Since the code is small, it is not unreasonable to make an edit, compile and download to check each component one at a time.
5) Adapt the code to generate a sequency of random numbers (0,1 or 2), such that no repeated number occurs.
   > Print the number out to verify correct working..
6) Write a simple timing function that turns all LEDs on for one second and then turns them off for 1 second, repeatedly.
   > This will verify your interrupts and Timer0 SFRs are configured correctly, along with having the correct use of the ISR function
7) Refine this code to meet the Laboratory requirements.