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ABSTRACT

The objective of voting is to allow voters to exercise their right to express their choices regarding specific issues, pieces of legislation, citizen initiatives, constitutional amendments, recalls and/or to choose their government and political representatives. It has always been an onerous task for the election commission to conduct free and fair polls in our country, the largest democracy in the world. A lot of money has been spent on this to make sure that the elections are rampage free. But, now- a -days it has become very usual for some forces to indulge in rigging which may eventually lead to a result contrary to the actual verdict given by the people. In order to provide inexpensive solutions to the above, this project will be implemented with biometric system i.e., finger print scanning. This is used to ensure the security to avoid fake, repeated voting etc. It also enhances the accuracy and speed of the process. The system uses thumb impression for voter identification as we know that the thumb impression of every human being has a unique pattern. Thus, it would have an edge over the present-day voting systems. The purpose of such system is to ensure that the voting rights are accessed only by a legitimate user and no one else. In this, creation of a database consisting of the thumb impressions of all the eligible voters in a constituency is done as a pre-poll procedure. During elections, the thumb impression of a voter is entered as input to the system. This is then compared with the available records in the database. If the particular pattern matches with anyone in the available record, access to cast a vote is granted. But in case the pattern doesn't match with the records of the database or in case of repetition, access to cast a vote is denied or the vote gets rejected. The result is instantaneous and counting is done. The overall cost for conducting elections gets reduced and so does the maintenance cost of the systems.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

SRAM	Static Random Access Memory
ARM	Advanced Risc Machine
MCU	Multi Point-control Unit
EVM	Electronic Voting Machine
BEL	Bharath Electronics Limited
JTAG	Joint Test Action Group
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface
EEPROM	Electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory
LCD	Liquid Crystal Display
USB	Universal Serial Bus
IDE	Integrated Development Environment
PDI	Program and Debug Interface

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Biometrics is the science and technology of measuring and analyzing biological data. In information technology, biometrics refers to technologies that measure and analyze human body characteristics, such as DNA, FINGERPRINT AND FACE RECOGNITION s, eye retinas and irises, voice patterns, facial patterns and hand measurements, for authentication purposes. In this paper we have used thumb impression for the purpose of voter identification or authentication. As the thumb impression of every individual is unique, it helps in maximizing the accuracy. A database is created containing the thumb impressions of all the voters in the constituency. Illegal votes and repetition of votes is checked for in this system. Hence if this system is employed the elections would be fair and free from rigging. Thanks to this system that conducting elections would no longer be a tedious and expensive job.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE SURVEY

The main aim this survey is to find the electronic voting system's application and limitations of the various time.

Online Smart Voting System Using Biometrics Based Facial and Fingerprint Detection on Image Processing and CNN by S. Jehovah Jireh Arputhamoni; A. Gnana Saravanan 2021[1]

The aim of this project is the detection of face and fingerprint images, the number of fake voters can be reduced using Haar Cascade Algorithm. India being a democratic country, still conducts its elections by using voting machines, which involves high cost and manual labor. Web-based system enables voter to cast their votes from anywhere in the world. Online website has a prevented IP address generated by the government of India for election purpose. People should register the name and address in the website. Election commission will collect the fingerprint and face image from the voters. The database or server will store the images. When the images are obtained on the casting day, it will be compared with database and provides a secured voting on the Election Day. System utilizes faces and fingerprints to unlock the voting system, similar to the mobile phone are used. The current system requires the physical presence of voter, which is inconvenient to many voters. The process consumes less time as well. Using the detection of face and fingerprint images, the number of fake voters can be reduced. This proposed smart voting system uses face and Fingerprint recognition by using the image processing and CNN, which is more secured than the existing one. The main security level is where the system recognizes the face and fingerprint of the voter from the current database of face images and Fingerprint images given by the election commission. If the image captured matches the respective image of the voter in the database, then a voter can cast their vote in the election. Haar Cascade Algorithm is used to extract the facial features and to recognize the facial part of the image. Visual Studio and software HTML were used to create the online platform and to implement the algorithm. Minutiae based Matching method is for matching fingerprint images and image given by election commission. If the image captured is matched and voter is allowed to vote.

Smart Online Voting System SGanesh Prabhu; A Nizarahammed.; S Prabu.; S Raghul.; R.R. Thirrunavukkarasu; P. Jayarajan 2021[2]

The aim of this project is to allow the user to vote offline as well if he/she feels that is comfortable using radio frequency identification (RFID) tags. This article proposed online voting system allows the user to vote through either offline or online. If the user decides to vote through offline the user must have an RFID tag which will be issued by the government to him/her. It is scanned by a RFID card reader and then compared based on the details stored in the database. The user if votes through offline must also undergo the traditional use cases of fingerprints and voter id. If the user decides to vote through online the he/she must record their face in the system provided. The unique details of each user in their face along with the face image is captured multiple times and stored in the database given. Multiple instances are captured to ensure accuracy at the time of voting. Once the voter has registered their face in the system and has provided all their details, he/she is ready to cast a vote. The voting process during the election is completely through the internet and is enabled only during the scheduled time of election. The user must possess a good internet connection and must possess a webcam for face recognition process for a smooth process. During the election time goes through two step authentications. The first is through facial recognition. When the user authenticates with his face through the webcam the system compares the given face with the images recorded in the database. When the user has already registered his/her vote and is a valid voter the user is proceeded to the next step of authentication. In the next step of authentication, the user gets an OTP to his /her registered mobile number. The user is then prompted to enter that OTP in the system to cast a vote. Now if the OTP matches and all the credentials are right the user is ready to vote. The user can select a party and cast a vote. Thus, the voting process is completed successfully.

Integration of an online voting solution with the SMESEC security framework by Jordi Cucurull; Christos Tselios; Carolina Rueda; Noemi Folch; Jose Francisco Ruiz; Pablo Barrientos 2020[3]

The aim of this project is to integration with the SMESEC framework and how exactly this was beneficial for the specific online voting solution. SMESEC is an H2020 project that designed and implemented a lightweight cybersecurity framework for protecting small and medium-sized enterprises against cyber threats. The framework integrates a large variety of contemporary cybersecurity tools but also provides additional features aiming to facilitate novice users to get an

overview of existing threats through simple tutorials, extensive explanatory material and a complete lesson learned section. One of the possible areas in which the project can demonstrate its potential is in the protection of online voting solutions for small companies or governmental institutions. Scytl has developed an online voting solution that has been used in many private and governmental elections. The solution follows the principles of security by design, however infrastructure security must also be considered and ensured. The integration of the SMESEC Framework into the electronic voting system, enables SMEs and public authorities using their voting system to be aware of their security by themselves and to add security measures in their election processes with a budget adapted to each case. The integration of this framework to the online voting system has provided: 1) application level firewall capabilities to filter the connections to the voting servers, thus malformed requests can be redirected away from the server decreasing the probability to compromise the service; 2) detection and identification of malicious requests that may be exploiting zero-day attacks, which can latterly be fixed or the requests banned; 3) intruders detection based on the actions taken by them when exploring the network; and 4) gathering and display of events occurred in the system.

Avoiding Phishing Attack on Online Voting System Using Visual Cryptography by Saloni Sunil Rane; Mayuri Yashvant Shinde; Atiya Kazi 2020[4]

The aim of this project is to maintain the security in online voting system using CAPTCHA code and Image Share technology. Elections are conducted everywhere, but voters must go to polling booth to cast vote. Election process is very complex and requires a lot of things to be done prior to voting. There are a lot of arrangements to be done. It includes a lot of manual work. In organization voter must be present at voting centre to cast vote. So, the plan is to make the voting process secure and effective one. This article proposes Visual cryptography, it adds security in voting. Consider an online voting system to elect president or any other authority of the carrom association. At the time of election of the association, registration of all members takes place by adding their personal information. at the time of registration, the voter will share one image with the system then the system will divide the image into two parts and the first part (SHARE1) is converted into password by using VC scheme and sent to voter's email id. The second part (SHARE2) of the image kept with the server.

Online Voting System using Cloud Ramya Govindaraj, Kumaresan P, K. Sree harshitha. 2020[5]

The aim of this project is to implement online voting system with features like the schemes that the specific party has implemented, based on the features are going to vote. Before days there was voting system with papers. Now, this electronic system has no need of ballot papers etc. All the authorized and eligible persons can register through online and can vote by logging into their own systems. There is no time consuming for the users. The major advantage is that the user has no need of coming to the voting halls, as they can vote from anywhere. It has more features as compared to the normal voting system. By this way most the people can cast their votes without missing. This article proposes online voting system with features like the schemes that the specific party has implemented, based on the features are going to vote. The main reason to shift from normal voting system to online voting system is that it can consume time and can vote from anywhere through online.

CHAPTER 3

EXISTING SYSTEM

Electronic Voting Machines ("EVM"), Idea mooted by the Chief Election Commissioner in 1977. The EVMs were devised and designed by Election Commission of India in collaboration with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), Bangalore and Electronics Corporation of India Limited (ECIL), Hyderabad. The EVMs are now manufactured by the above two undertakings. An EVM consists of two units, i) Control Unit, ii) Balloting Unit. The two units are joined by a five-meter cable. The Control Unit is with the Presiding Officer or a Polling Officer and the Balloting Unit is placed inside the voting compartment.

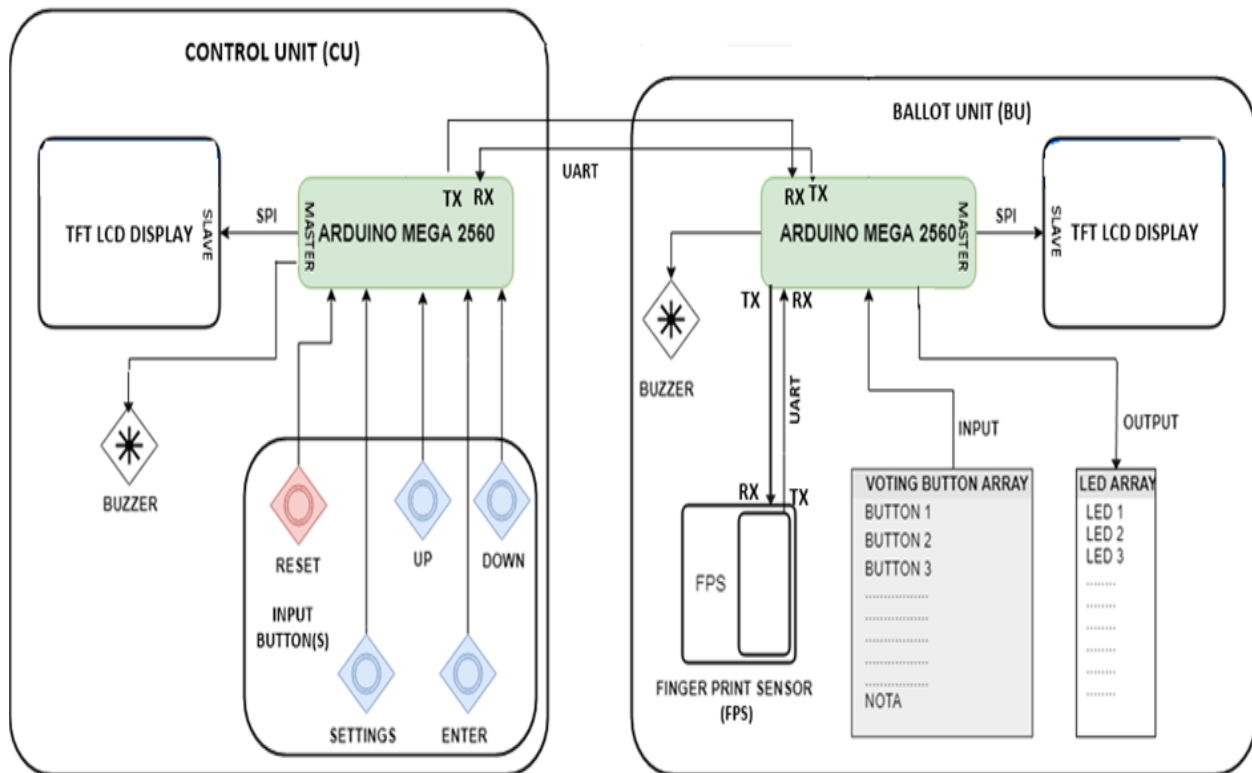


Fig 3.1: Existing system block diagram

3.1 Problems with EVM which currently in use:

1. Security Problems - One can change the program installed in the EVM and tamper the results after the polling. By replacing a small part of the machine with a look-alike component that can be silently instructed to steal a percentage of the votes in favor of a chosen candidate. These instructions can be sent wirelessly from a mobile phone.
2. Illegal Voting (Rigging) - The very commonly known problem, rigging which is faced in every electoral procedure. One candidate casts the votes of all the members or few amounts of members in the electoral list illegally. This results in the loss of votes for the other candidates participating and also increases the number votes to the candidate who performs this action. This can be done externally at the time of voting.

Election plays a vital role in India. Through election people decide the leader who is going to rule government. All over the world there are different methods and techniques of voting have been adopted. This system is designed to make the voters as well as political parties who act as candidates to be satisfied after the announcement of the result after elections are held. Voting is a process in which people elect the leader among the participating candidates through elections. In previous years elections were held in the ballot paper having different symbols of each candidate respectively. Each voter has to keep stamp besides the symbol of their chosen candidate. Now a day's EVM's are used in elections. EVM abbreviated as Electronic Voting Machine, the designed system is effective and efficient than the existing system by its performance and even in terms of mechanism [5]. It has a simple user interface. It strengthens the weaker and the vulnerable sections of the society which includes illiterates, scheduled castes and tribe who were now more likely to cast their vote than before. To cast a vote just press the button beside to candidates mentioned. Few important security arrangements have been made in such a way that only polling officer can break the security system while announcing the results of election.

3.2 METHODOLOGY

When the device is ON, initially it displays the message "VOTING MACHINE". Next it enables 3 options for the presiding officer and they are (a). Allow to cast the vote: OPTION 1 (b). Reset and display all the party list and count which are password protected: OPTION 2 (c). Display the total vote count which is also a password protected: OPTION 3. If option1 selected: it allows the person to cast the vote, during vote casting buzzer sound will be generated and LED will glow indicates that vote is casted. After each vote cast presiding officer is required to enable

option1 for next vote casting. If option 2 is selected, i.e., Reset mode: which is usually done at the beginning to confirm all the parties vote count are zero. Count will be displayed through the LCD. If option 3 selected i.e., Display mode: which is usually done at the last to obtain the vote count of all the parties. Count will be displayed through the LCD. Password protected device will allow any character to create a strong password, Additional key (password) will be with DC or Election Commissioner, If in case of errors or due to failure because of multiple try.

3.3 HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE DETAILS

Electronic voting Machine with fully password protected feature is built here. The EVM allows the voter to cast the vote and avoids any fraud or mishap that might happen. ARM Cortex M3 of STM2F101RE 32 bit has CPU speed of 72MHZ and flash memory of 1MB. The designed system has stufiest flash memory to store the casted vote (Max 1500 votes per boot). The LCD display shows the final count of the voting result only providing the suitable password by the Counting Officers or Election Commission Officers. In the following figure PA=Party A, PB=Party B, PC=Party C. The peripheral complement shows the LPC1768 includes up to 1 MB of flash memory[11][12], up to 64 kB of data memory, and which supports Ethernet MAC, USB Device/Host/OTG interface, DMA controller of 8 channels, 4 UARTs, 2 CAN channels, 2 SSP controllers, SPI interface, 3 I2C-bus interfaces, 2-input plus 2-output I2S-bus interface, 8- channel 12-bit ADC, 10-bit DAC, motor control PWM, Quadrature Encoder interface, four general purpose timers, 6-output general purpose PWM, ultra-low power Real-Time Clock (RTC) with separate battery supply, and up to 70 general purpose I/O pins. LPC 1768 consist of Memory Protection Unit MPU with running speed 100MHz.

Using ARM Cortex M3, the features currently available in the EVM are replicated and also included some features like RESET and final vote count display are password protected. Designed EVM software allows a candidate/Person to cast their vote only once. Apart from the digital Security, manual security is also included by marking ink on the fingers. Once the selected candidate button is pressed by the voter the red light will glow near the selected candidate name and the symbol of the candidate thereby ensuring that the next voter can draw in since the previous voter's vote is properly taken into the consideration.

CHAPTER 4

PROPOSED SYSTEM

A biometric system is essentially a pattern recognition system that operates by acquiring biometric data from an individual, extracting a feature set from the acquired data, and comparing this feature set against the template set in the database. Depending on the application context, a biometric system may operate either in verification mode or identification mode. In addition, different from the manual approach for FINGERPRINT AND FACERECOGNITION recognition by experts, the FINGERPRINT AND FACE RECOGNITION here is referred as AFRS (Automatic FINGERPRINT AND FACE RECOGNITION System), which is program-based.

4.1 INTRODUCTION

In this project, an attempt has been made to the development of an authenticated electronic voting system using fingerprint and facial images. The two-fold authentication system improves the security of the voting process and reduces the chances of a corrupt election process. The facial recognition process utilizes the Local Binary Pattern Histogram and Support Vector Machine process to scan, store and recognize faces efficiently. The fingerprint recognition involves the capturing of multiple 2D images and high-sensitive Pixel Amplifier to improve the quality of those images to scan the fingerprint to provide the primary form of authentication. Visual Basic is used to develop a very easy to use User Interface that enables an easy voting process. A private server is used to store both the user data and the election results separately. This reduces the chances of external manipulation of the election results.

The simple and cold truth is that everyone hates the problems and security flaws that are glaring at everyone's face. They are so apparent to ignore, as many witnesses these flaws straight on. Some of these flaws can be easily corrected and that is the main objective of this project, to rectify the flaws that can be rectified [3]. To list some of these so-called flaws, are a polling of proxy votes, polling of illegal votes, polling of votes under a stolen identity, external manipulation of the voting process pre and postelection, improper counting of votes Electronic voting is both electronically casting a vote and an electronic means of counting votes. In our project, we are giving importance to the authentication process of our designed voting machine. The securities that are provided will totally eliminate the fraud in the voting system. As a total number of fraudulent votes that are cast are considerably reduced, the probability of obtaining a

stable and working government is increased manifold. Also, due to the implementation of immediate and Name-wise counting, there arises a possibility of finding out the number and the names of the non-voters who failed to cast their votes. When this data is utilized properly to penalize the non-voters, a future where almost a hundred percent or the complete casting of votes can be achieved which also increases the chance of a proper government. Also due to this, there is very minimal possibility of manipulation by external forces pre and post-election. When these elements are considered together, a nearly working voting system can be developed. Upon the elimination of these flaws, we can safely entail a safe and secure voting process, which results in the establishment of a stable and working government. The main objectives that are encompassed within this project are listed as, Fingerprint Confirmation as the Primary form of Verification, facial Recognition as the Secondary and Final form of Verification, two memory implementations for the prevention of manipulation, easy to use and an inviting UI for the better understanding of the voting process.

4.2 PROPOSED SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM

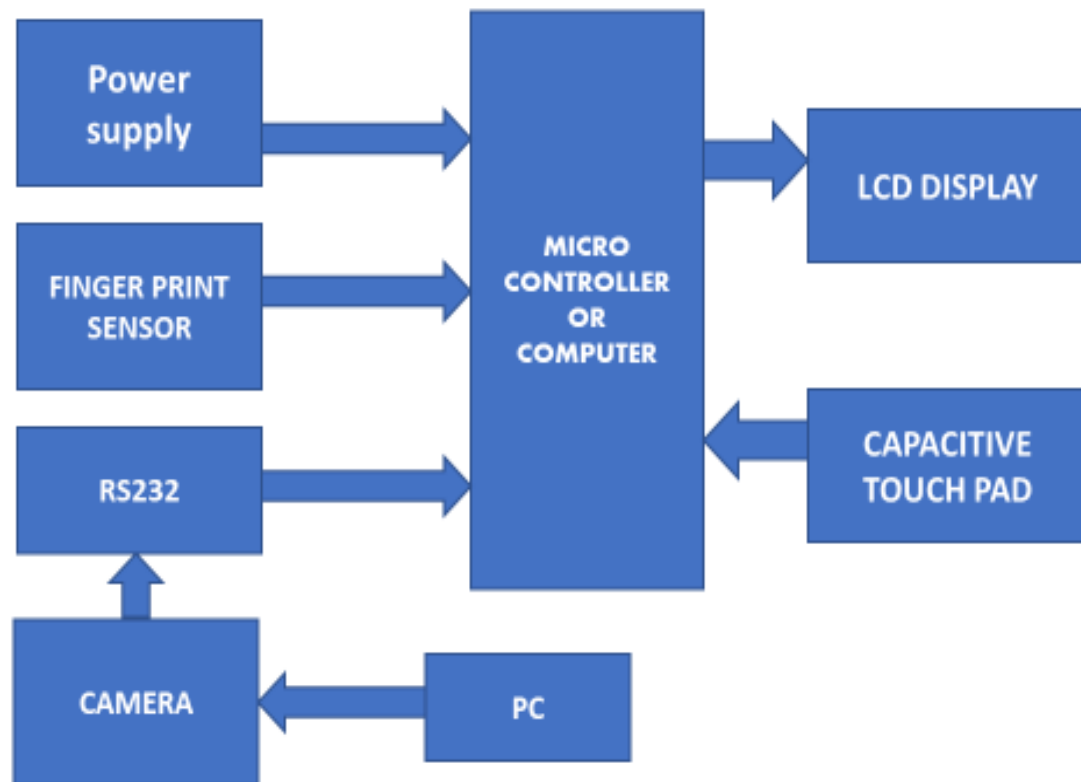


Fig4.1: Proposed system block diagram

4.3 WORKFLOW

From the above flowchart, the work flow can be easily understood. First, the entire workflow is classified into two stages. The first being the acquisition phase, and the second being the authentication stage. When we look at the first figure, here the multiple images of the user's face data are collected and they are pre-processed. This pre-processing stage involves removal of unwanted noise and filtering out the background noise, so as to improve the overall quality of the image. Then using LBPH, a technique that processes data or images into tiny cells that contain some information, the features are extracted [23]. SVM, a technique that points the information of each cell in a specific point in space, is used to preposition the points of the feature's information. The second figure is the acquisition stage of the fingerprint sensing [19]. Here, first, the fingerprint of the user is illuminated. Then a series of multiple images of the fingerprint is captured as in the face recognition. But instead of LBP, here the images are further enhanced in details by passing them through a high-Sensitive Pixel Amplifier (HSPA) [21]. Then these processed images are stored for later retrieval. Now, the third and final figure, Figure 1.3 represents the second phase that is the Authentication Phase. In this phase, the primary authentication process, i.e., fingerprint verification is done by capturing new images of the user's fingerprint and comparing them with the stored data in the memory. Here too, the images are enhanced using HSPA. If the fingerprint is available in the database, then the corresponding user data is retrieved. The secondary authentication, i.e., facial recognition is done by capturing a series of images and then training the features via SVM after their extraction. The trained feature details are compared with the SVM data in the database. If a face with the similar facial features exists, the user data corresponding to that face is retrieved. Now user data retrieved from both the primary and the secondary authentication processes are compared. If they are similar, then the next step proceeds as planned, else the system is programmed to throw out an error message, stating that there is a mismatch of user data. In the next step, the system checks if the Confirmed and Voted flag are set for the user. If the flag is set, it means that the user has already voted and therefore the application exits and resets while throwing out an error message [15]. If it is not set, it means that the voter has not yet cast their vote and so they are allowed to cast their vote. In the next step, the candidate information related to that particular voter is retrieved and they are displayed on the screen. As soon as the voter reaches a decision, he cast his vote selecting the respective candidate. The overall vote of

that candidate is incremented by one while the Confirmed and Voted flag are set for this particular voter. Then the authentication process flag is reset and the whole process is repeated again.

4.4 TECHNOLOGIES AND TOOLS USED

The various technologies used are selected such that they are compatible with one other and have no interfacing problems. Also, they must fall within the budget limit such that compromises shall not be made. The different technologies and tools used are listed below Python Development Environment, Linux Interfacing Engine and, Visual Basic. The PDE is used to develop the working program for the verification devices and the LIE is used to convert it to Linux compatible code. Here, a development environment is a combination of a text editor and the Python interpreter. The text editor allows you to write the code. The interpreter provides a way to execute the code you've written. A text editor can be as simple as Notepad on Windows or more complicated as a complete integrated development environment (IDE) such as PyCharm which runs on any major operating system [18]. An application programming interface (API) is a set of specifications that define how one piece of software interacts with another, particularly an application program with an operating system. A primary purpose is to provide a set of commonly-used functions, such as to draw windows or icons on the screen, thereby saving programmers from the tedium of having to write code for everything from scratch [20]. The PDE is used to develop the working program for the verification devices and the LIE is used to convert it to Linux compatible code. The capacitive fingerprint sensing is the type of fingerprint sensor used in the project. Instead of creating a traditional image of a fingerprint, capacitive fingerprint scanners use arrays tiny capacitor circuits to collect data about a fingerprint. As capacitors can store electrical charge, connecting them up to conductive plates on the surface of the scanner allows them to be used to track the details of a fingerprint. The charge stored in the capacitor will be changed slightly when a finger's ridge is placed over the conductive plates, while an air gap will leave the charge at the capacitor relatively unchanged. An op-amp integrator circuit is used to track these changes, which can then be recorded by an analogue-to-digital converter [17]. Local binary patterns is a type of visual descriptor used for classification in computer vision. LBP is the particular case of the Texture Spectrum model proposed in 1990. LBP was first described in 1994. It has since been found to be a powerful feature for texture classification; it has further been determined that when LBP is combined with the Histogram of Oriented Gradients (HOG) descriptor, it improves the detection performance considerably on some datasets. In machine learning, support vector

machines (also, support vector networks) are supervised learning models with associated learning algorithms that analyze data used for classification and regression analysis. Given a set of training examples, each marked as belonging to one or the other of two categories, an SVM training algorithm builds a model that assigns new examples to one category or the other, making it a non-probabilistic binary linear classifier. An support vector machine model is a representation of the examples as points in space, mapped so that the examples of the separate categories are divided by a clear gap that is as wide as possible. New examples are then mapped into that same space and predicted to belong to a category based on which side of the gap they fall [22]. The facial recognition uses Local Binary Pattern Histogram and Support Vector Machine algorithms for its functioning. Finally, visual basic is used to develop the user-friendly user interface of the project.

CHAPTER 5

HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Power supply unit
- ❖ FINGERPRINT sensor
- ❖ ARDUINO UNO
- ❖ TOUCH SENOSR
- ❖ BATTERY
- ❖ LCD DISPLAY

5.1 Power Supply

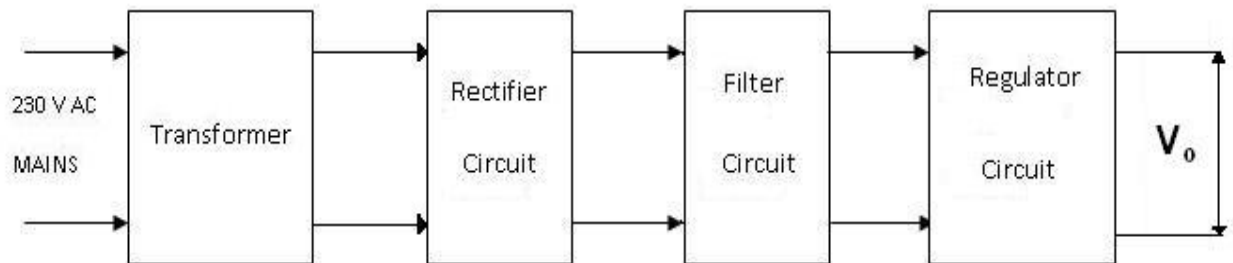


Fig 5.1: Block diagram of power supply unit

The given block diagram includes following:

Transformer: A transformer is an electromagnetic static device, which transfers electrical energy from one circuit to another, either at the same voltage or at different voltage but at the same frequency.

Rectifier: The function of the rectifier is to convert AC to DC current or voltage. Usually in the rectifier circuit full wave bridge rectifier is used.

Filters: The Filter is used to remove the pulsated AC. A filter circuit uses capacitor and inductor. The function of the capacitor is to block the DC voltage and bypass the AC voltage. The function of the inductor is to block the AC voltage and bypass the DC voltage.

Voltage Regulator: Voltage regulator constitutes an indispensable part of the power supply section of any electronic systems. The main advantage of the regulator ICs is that it regulates or maintains the output constant, in spite of the variation in the input supply.

5.2 MICROCONTROLLER – ARDUINO

- **High-performance, Low-power ARDUINO IDE 8-bit Microcontroller**

- **Advanced RISC Architecture**

- ❖ 130 Powerful Instructions – Most Single-clock Cycle Execution
- ❖ 32 x 8 General Purpose Working Registers
- ❖ Fully Static Operation
- ❖ Up to 16 MIPS Throughput at 16 MHz
- ❖ On-chip 2-cycle Multiplier

- **High Endurance Non-volatile Memory segments**

- ❖ 8K Bytes of In-System Self-programmable Flash program memory
- ❖ 512 Bytes EEPROM
- ❖ 1K Byte Internal SRAM
- ❖ Write/Erase Cycles: 10,000 Flash/100,000 EEPROM
- ❖ Data retention: 20 years at 85°C/100 years at 25°C
- ❖ Optional Boot Code Section with Independent Lock Bits
- ❖ In-System Programming by On-chip Boot Program
- ❖ True Read-While-Write Operation
- ❖ Programming Lock for Software Security

- **Peripheral Features**

- ❖ Two 8-bit Timer/Counters with Separate pre scalar, one Compare Mode
- ❖ One 16-bit Timer/Counter with Separate Pre scalar, Compare Mode, and Capture Mode.
- ❖ Real Time Counter with Separate Oscillator
- ❖ Three PWM Channels
- ❖ 8-channel ADC in TQFP and QFN/MLF package

- ❖ 6-channel ADC in PDIP package
- ❖ Six Channels 10-bit Accuracy
- ❖ Byte-oriented Two-wire Serial Interface
- ❖ Programmable Serial USART
- ❖ Master/Slave SPI Serial Interface
- ❖ Programmable Watchdog Timer with Separate On-chip Oscillator
- ❖ On-chip Analog Comparator

• **Special Microcontroller Features**

- ❖ Power-on Reset and Programmable Brown-out Detection
- ❖ Internal Calibrated RC Oscillator
- ❖ External and Internal Interrupt Sources
- ❖ Five Sleep Modes: Idle, ADC Noise Reduction, Power-save, Power-down, and Standby.

• **I/O and Packages**

- ❖ 23 Programmable I/O Lines
- ❖ 28-lead PDIP, 32-lead TQFP, and 32-pad QFN/MLF

• **Operating Voltages**

- ❖ 2.7 - 5.5V (ARDUINOL)
- ❖ 4.5 - 5.5V (ARDUINO)

• **Speed Grades**

- ❖ 0 - 8 MHz (ARDUINOL)
- ❖ 0 - 16 MHz (ARDUINO)

• **Power Consumption at 4 MHz's 3V, 25°C**

- ❖ Active: 3.6 mA
- ❖ Idle Mode: 1.0 mA

5.3 Pin Configurations

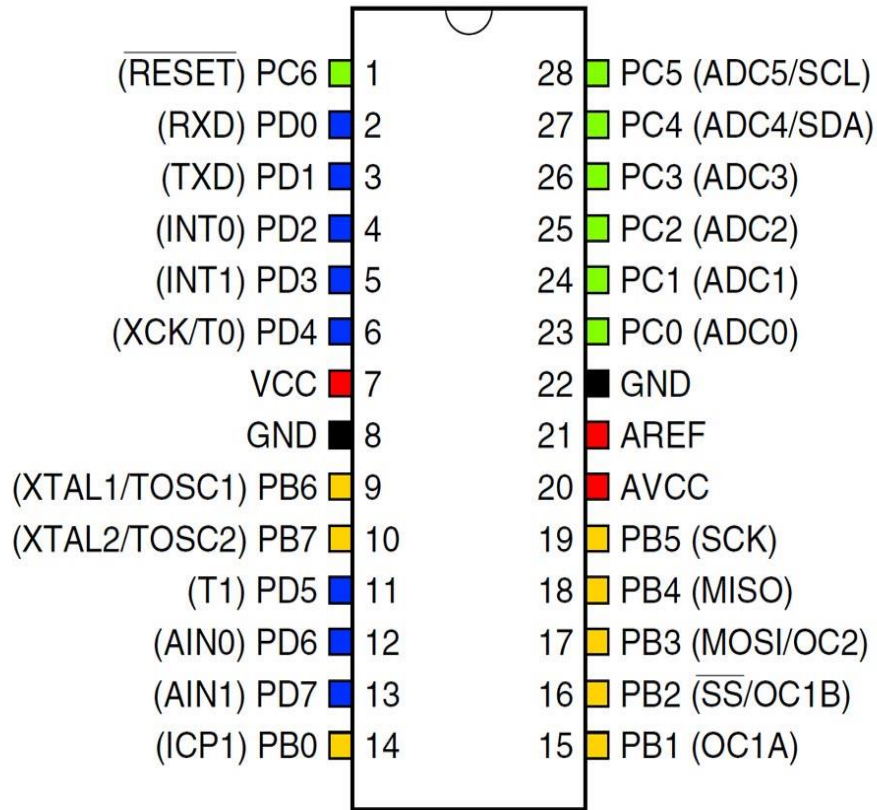


Fig 5.2: Pin configuration diagram

5.4 Pin Descriptions

- ❖ VCC - Digital supply voltage.
- ❖ GND - Ground.
- ❖ Port B (PB7-PB0)
- ❖ XTAL1/XTAL2/TOSC1/TOSC2

Port B is an 8-bit bi-directional I/O port with internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port B output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability. As inputs, Port B pins that are externally pulled low will source current if the pull-up resistors are activated. The Port B pins are tri-stated when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running. Depending on the clock selection, fuse settings, PB6 can be used as input to the inverting Oscillator amplifier and input to the internal clock operating circuit. Depending on the clock selection fuse settings, PB7 can be used as output from the

inverting Oscillator amplifier. If the Internal Calibrated RC Oscillator is used as chip clock source, PB7-6 is used as TOSC2-1 input for the Asynchronous Timer/Counter2 if the AS2 bit in ASSR is set.

Port C (PC5.PC0)

Port C is a 7-bit bi-directional I/O port with internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port C output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability. As inputs, Port C pins that are externally pulled low will source current if the pull-up resistors are activated. The Port C pins are tri-stated when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running.

PC6/RESET

If the RSTDISBL Fuse is programmed, PC6 is used as an I/O pin. Note that the electrical characteristics of PC6 differ from those of the other pins of Port C. If the RSTDISBL Fuse is unprogrammed, PC6 is used as a Reset input. A low level on this pin for longer than the minimum pulse length will generate a Reset, even if the clock is not running. Shorter pulses are not guaranteed to generate a Reset.

Port D (PD7.PD0)

Port D is an 8-bit bi-directional I/O port with internal pull-up resistors (selected for each bit). The Port D output buffers have symmetrical drive characteristics with both high sink and source capability.

As inputs, Port D pins that are externally pulled low will source current if the pull-up resistors are activated. The Port D pins are tri-stated when a reset condition becomes active, even if the clock is not running.

RESET

Reset input. A low level on this pin for longer than the minimum pulse length will generate a reset, even if the clock is not running. Shorter pulses are not guaranteed to generate a reset.

AVCC

AVCC is the supply voltage pin for the A/D Converter, Port C (3-0), and ADC (7-6). It should be externally connected to VCC, even if the ADC is not used. If the ADC is used, it should be connected to VCC through a low-pass filter. Note that Port C (5.4) use digital supply voltage, VCC.

AREF

AREF is the analog reference pin for the A/D Converter.

LCD

A liquid crystal display (LCD) is a thin, flat display device made up of any number of color or monochrome pixels arrayed in front of a light source or reflector. Each pixel consists of a column of liquid crystal molecules suspended between two transparent electrodes, and two polarizing filters, the axes of polarity of which are perpendicular to each other. Without the liquid crystals between them, light passing through one would be blocked by the other. The liquid crystal twists the polarization of light entering one filter to allow it to pass through the other.

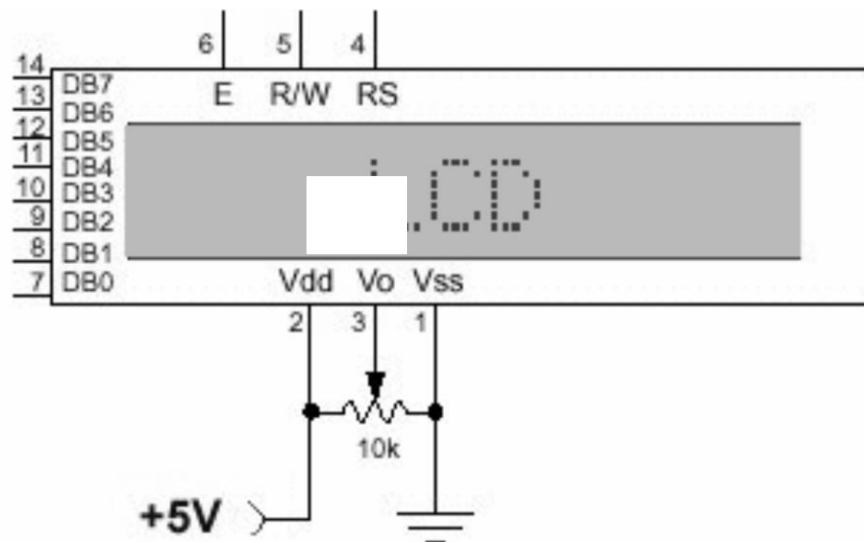


Fig 5.3: Pin Diagram of LCD

Pin configuration

PIN CONNECTIONS			
PIN	Symbol	Level	Function
1	VSS	—	GND(0V)
2	VDD	—	Supply Voltage for Logic(+5V)
3	V0	—	Power supply for LCD
4	RS	H/L	H: Data; L: Instruction Code
5	R/W	H/L	H: Read; L: Write
6	E	H/L	Enable Signal
7	DB0	H/L	Data Bus Line
8	DB1	H/L	
9	DB2	H/L	
10	DB3	H/L	
11	DB4	H/L	
12	DB5	H/L	
13	DB6	H/L	
14	DB7	H/L	
15	BL1	—	Backlight Power(+5V)
16	BL2	—	Backlight Power(0V)

Table 5.1: Pin configurations table

MAX 232

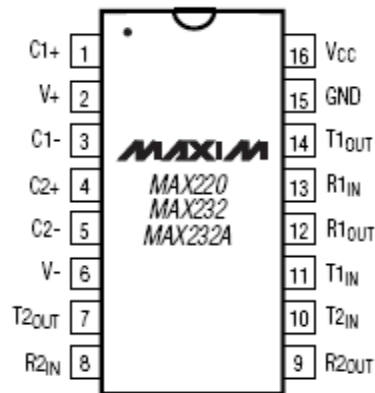


Fig5.4: Pin diagram of MAX232

The MAX220–MAX249 family of line drivers/receivers is intended for all EIA/TIA-232E and V.28/V.24 communications interfaces, particularly applications where $\pm 12V$ is not available. These parts are especially useful in battery-powered systems, since their low-power shutdown mode reduces power dissipation to less than $5\mu W$.

RS 232

Due to its relative simplicity and low hardware overhead (as compared to parallel interfacing), serial communications are used extensively within the electronics industry. Today, the most popular serial communications standard in use is certainly the EIA/TIA-232-E specification. This standard, which has been developed by the Electronic Industry Association and the Telecommunications Industry Association (EIA/TIA), is more popularly referred to simply as “RS-232” where “RS” stands for “recommended standard”. In recent years, this suffix has been replaced with “EIA/TIA” to help identify the source of the standard. We use the common notation “RS-232”.

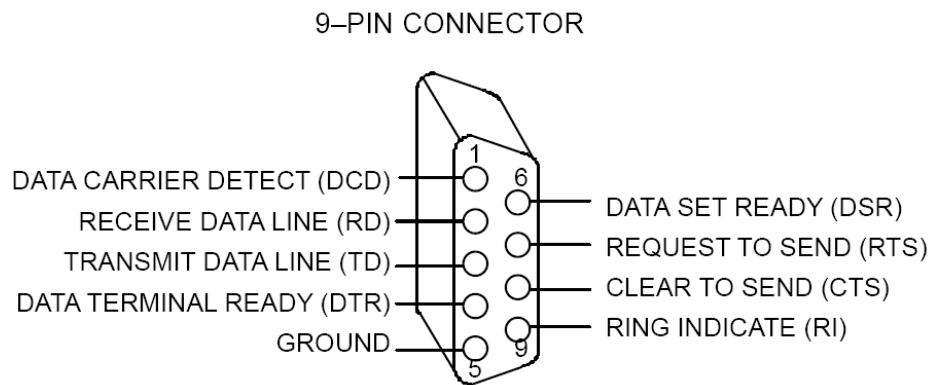


Fig 5.5: DB-9 Connector

5.5 Liquid-crystal display

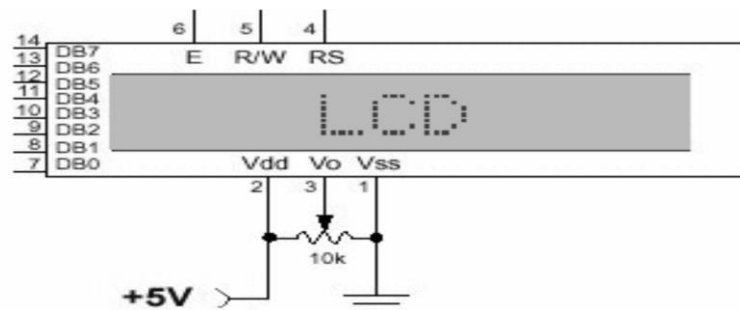


Fig 5.6: Pin Diagram of LCD

A liquid-crystal display (LCD) is a flat-panel display or other electronically modulated optical device that uses the light-modulating properties of liquid crystals. Liquid crystals do not

emit light directly, instead using a backlight or reflector to produce images in color or monochrome. LCDs are available to display arbitrary images (as in a general-purpose computer display) or fixed images with low information content, which can be displayed or hidden, such as preset words, digits, and 7-segment displays, as in a digital clock. They use the same basic technology, except those arbitrary images are made up of a large number of small pixels, while other displays have larger elements.

LCDs are used in a wide range of applications including computer monitors, televisions, instrument panels, aircraft cockpit displays, and indoor and outdoor signage. Small LCD screens are common in portable consumer devices such as digital cameras, watches, calculators, and mobile telephones, including smartphones. LCD screens are also used on consumer electronics products such as DVD players, video game devices and clocks. LCD screens have replaced heavy, bulky cathode ray tube (CRT) displays in nearly all applications. LCD screens are available in a wider range of screen sizes than CRT and plasma displays, with LCD screens available in sizes ranging from tiny digital watches to huge, big-screen television set.

Since LCD screens do not use phosphors, they do not suffer image burn-in when a static image is displayed on a screen for a long time (e.g., the table frame for an aircraft schedule on an indoor sign). LCDs are, however, susceptible to image persistence. The LCD screen is more energy-efficient and can be disposed of more safely than a CRT can.

Its low electrical power consumption enables it to be used in battery-powered electronic equipment more efficiently than CRTs can be. By 2008, annual sales of televisions with LCD screens exceeded sales of CRT units worldwide, and the CRT became obsolete for most purposes.

Each pixel of an LCD typically consists of a layer of molecules aligned between two transparent electrodes, and two polarizing filters (parallel and perpendicular), the axes of transmission of which are (in most of the cases) perpendicular to each other. Without the liquid crystal between the polarizing filters, light passing through the first filter would be blocked by the second (crossed) polarizer. Before an electric field is applied, the orientation of the liquid-crystal molecules is determined by the alignment at the surfaces of electrodes. In a twisted nematic (TN) device, the surface alignment directions at the two electrodes are perpendicular to each other, and so the molecules arrange themselves in a helical structure, or twist. This induces the rotation of the polarization of the incident light, and the device appears gray. If the applied voltage is large

enough, the liquid crystal molecules in the center of the layer are almost completely untwisted and the polarization of the incident light is not rotated as it passes through the liquid crystal layer. This light will then be mainly polarized perpendicular to the second filter, and thus be blocked and the pixel will appear black. By controlling the voltage applied across the liquid crystal layer in each pixel, light can be allowed to pass through in varying amounts thus constituting different levels of gray. Color LCD systems use the same technique, with color filters used to generate red, green, and blue pixels. The optical effect of a TN device in the voltage-on state is far less dependent on variations in the device thickness than that in the voltage-off state. Because of this, TN displays with low information content and no backlighting are usually operated between crossed polarizers such that they appear bright with no voltage (the eye is much more sensitive to variations in the dark state than the bright state). As most of 2010-era LCDs are used in television sets, monitors and smartphones, they have high-resolution matrix arrays of pixels to display arbitrary images using backlighting with a dark background. When no image is displayed, different arrangements are used. For this purpose, TN LCDs are operated between parallel polarizers, whereas IPS LCDs feature crossed polarizers. In many applications IPS LCDs have replaced TN LCDs, in particular in smartphones such as iPhones. Both the liquid crystal material and the alignment layer material contain ionic compounds. If an electric field of one particular polarity is applied for a long period of time, this ionic material is attracted to the surfaces and degrades the device performance. This is avoided either by applying an alternating current or by reversing the polarity of the electric field as the device is addressed (the response of the liquid crystal layer is identical, regardless of the polarity of the applied field).

Displays for a small number of individual digits or fixed symbols (as in digital watches and pocket calculators) can be implemented with independent electrodes for each segment. In contrast, full alphanumeric or variable graphics displays are usually implemented with pixels arranged as a matrix consisting of electrically connected rows on one side of the LC layer and columns on the other side, which makes it possible to address each pixel at the intersections. The general method of matrix addressing consists of sequentially addressing one side of the matrix, for example by selecting the rows one-by-one and applying the picture information on the other side at the columns row-by-row. For details on the various matrix addressing schemes see Passive-matrix and active-matrix addressed LCDs

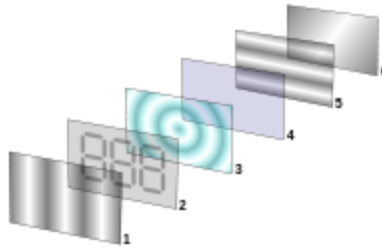


Fig 5.7: Reflective twisted nematic liquid display

1. Polarizing filter film with a vertical axis to polarize light as it enters.
2. Glass substrate with ITO electrodes. The shapes of these electrodes will determine the shapes that will appear when the LCD is switched ON. Vertical ridges etched on the surface are smooth.
3. Twisted nematic liquid crystal.
4. Glass substrate with common electrode film (ITO) with horizontal ridges to line up with the horizontal filter.
5. Polarizing filter film with a horizontal axis to block/pass light.
6. Reflective surface to send light back to viewer. (In a backlit LCD, this layer is replaced with a light source.)

Illumination

Since LCD panels produce no light of their own, they require external light to produce a visible image. In a "transmissive" type of LCD, this light is provided at the back of the glass "stack" and is called the backlight. While passive-matrix displays are usually not backlit (e.g., calculators, wristwatches), active-matrix displays almost always are.

5.6 The common implementations of LCD backlight technology

CCFL: The LCD panel is lit either by two cathode fluorescents placed at opposite edges of the display or an array of parallel CCFLs behind larger displays. A diffuser then spreads the light out evenly across the whole display. For many years, this technology had been used almost exclusively. Unlike white LEDs, most CCFLs have an even-white spectral output resulting in better color gamut for the display. However, CCFLs are less energy efficient than LEDs and

require a somewhat costly inverter to convert whatever DC voltage the device uses (usually 5 or 12 V) to ~1000 V needed to light a CCFL. The thickness of the inverter transformers also limit how thin the display can be made.

EL-WLED: The LCD panel is lit by a row of white LEDs placed at one or more edges of the screen. A light diffuser is then used to spread the light evenly across the whole display. As of 2012, this design is the most popular one in desktop computer monitors. It allows for the thinnest displays. Some LCD monitors using this technology have a feature called "Dynamic Contrast" where the backlight is dimmed to the brightest color that appears on the screen, allowing the 1000:1 contrast ratio of the LCD panel to be scaled to different light intensities, resulting in the "30000:1" contrast ratios seen in the advertising on some of these monitors. Since computer screen images usually have full white somewhere in the image, the backlight will usually be at full intensity, making this "feature" mostly a marketing gimmick.

WLED array: The LCD panel is lit by a full array of white LEDs placed behind a diffuser behind the panel. LCDs that use this implementation will usually have the ability to dim the LEDs in the dark areas of the image being displayed, effectively increasing the contrast ratio of the display. As of 2012, this design gets most of its use from upscale, larger-screen LCD televisions.

RGB-LED: Similar to the WLED array, except the panel is lit by a full array of RGB LEDs. While displays lit with white LEDs usually have a poorer color gamut than CCFL lit displays, panels lit with RGB LEDs have very wide color gamut's. This implementation is most popular on professional graphics editing LCDs. As of 2012, LCDs in this category usually cost more than \$1000.

5.7 FINGER PRINT RECOGNIZATION SYSTEM



Fig 5.8: Fingerprint sensor

A fingerprint is an impression of the friction ridges on all parts of the finger. A friction ridge is a raised portion of the epidermis on the palmar (palm) or digits (fingers and toes) or plantar (sole) skin, consisting of one or more connected ridge units of friction ridge skin. These are sometimes known as "epidermal ridges" which are caused by the underlying interface between the dermal papillae of the dermis and the interpapillary (rete) pegs of the epidermis. These epidermal ridges serve to amplify vibrations triggered when fingertips brush across an uneven surface, better transmitting the signals to sensory nerves involved in fine texture perception. The ridges assist in gripping rough surfaces, as well as smooth wet surfaces. Fingerprints may be deposited in natural secretions from the eccrine glands present in friction ridge skin (secretions consisting primarily of water) or they may be made by ink or other contaminants transferred from the peaks of friction skin ridges to a relatively smooth surface such as a fingerprint card. The term fingerprint normally refers to impressions transferred from the pad on the last joint of fingers and thumbs, though fingerprint cards also typically record portions of lower joint areas of the fingers (which are also used to make identifications).

FINGERPRINTS AS USED FOR IDENTIFICATION

Fingerprint identification (sometimes referred to as dactyloscopy or palm print identification) is the process of comparing questioned and known friction skin ridge impressions (see Minutiae) from fingers or palms or even toes to determine if the impressions are from the same finger or palm. The flexibility of friction ridge skin means that no two finger or palm prints are ever exactly alike (never identical in every detail), even two impressions recorded immediately after each other. Fingerprint identification (also referred to as individualization) occurs when an expert (or an expert computer system operating under threshold scoring rules) determines that two friction ridge impressions originated from the same finger or palm (or toe, sole) to the exclusion of all others.

A known print is the intentional recording of the friction ridges, usually with black printers ink rolled across a contrasting white background, typically a white card. Friction ridges can also be recorded digitally using a technique called Live-Scan. A latent print is the chance reproduction of the friction ridges deposited on the surface of an item. Latent prints are often fragmentary and may require chemical methods, powder, or alternative light sources in order to be visualized.

When friction ridges come in contact with a surface that is receptive to a print, material on the ridges, such as perspiration, oil, grease, ink, etc. can be transferred to the item. The factors which affect friction ridge impressions are numerous, thereby requiring examiners to undergo extensive and objective study in order to be trained to competency. Pliability of the skin, deposition pressure, slippage, the matrix, the surface, and the development medium are just some of the various factors which can cause a latent print to appear differently from the known recording of the same friction ridges. Indeed, the conditions of friction ridge deposition are unique and never duplicated. This is another reason why extensive and objective study is necessary for examiners to achieve competency.

FINGERPRINT TYPES

LATENT PRINTS

Although the word latent means hidden or invisible, in modern usage for forensic science the term latent prints means any chance of accidental impression left by friction ridge skin on a surface, regardless of whether it is visible or invisible at the time of deposition. Electronic, chemical and physical processing techniques permit visualization of invisible latent print residue whether they are from natural secretions of the eccrine glands present on friction ridge skin (which produce palmar sweat, consisting primarily of water with various salts and organic compounds in solution), or whether the impression is in a contaminant such as motor oil, blood, paint, ink, etc. There are different types of fingerprint patterns such as an arch, tented arch, a loop, and a whorl. Each indicate what type of fingerprint it is.

Latent prints may exhibit only a small portion of the surface of the finger and may be smudged, distorted, overlapping, or any combination, depending on how they were deposited. For these reasons, latent prints are an “inevitable source of error in making comparisons,” as they generally “contain less clarity, less content, and less undistorted information than a fingerprint taken under controlled conditions, and much, much less detail compared to the actual patterns of ridges and grooves of a finger.”

PATENT PRINTS

These are friction ridge impressions of unknown origins which are obvious to the human eye and are caused by a transfer of foreign material on the finger, onto a surface. Because they are already visible, they need no enhancement, and are generally photographed instead of being lifted in the same manner as latent prints. An attempt to preserve the actual print is always made with numerous techniques; for later presentation in court. Finger deposits can include materials such as ink, dirt, or blood onto a surface.

PLASTICPRINTS

A plastic print is a friction ridge impression from a finger or palm (or toe/foot) deposited in a material that retains the shape of the ridge detail. Commonly encountered examples are melted candle wax, putty removed from the perimeter of window panes and thick grease deposits on car parts. Such prints are already visible and need no enhancement, but investigators must not overlook the potential that invisible latent prints deposited by accomplices may also be on such surfaces. After photographically recording such prints, attempts should be made to develop other non-plastic impressions deposited at natural finger/palm secretions (eccrine gland secretions) or contaminates.

CHAPTER 6

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Mat lab 8.1
- ❖ Platform - ARDUINO IDE STUDIO
- ❖ In System Programmer – Prog ISP 172
- ❖ Compiler – Win ARDUINO IDE

6.1 ARDUINO IDE



Fig 6.1: Atmel ARDUINO in 28-pin narrow DIP

The ARDUINO IDE is a modified Harvard architecture 8-bit RISC single chip microcontroller which was developed by Atmel in 1996. The ARDUINO IDE was one of the first microcontroller families to use on-chip flash memory for program storage, as opposed to one-time programmable ROM, EPROM, or EEPROM used by other microcontrollers at the time.

Device overview

The ARDUINO IDE is a modified Harvard architecture machine where program and data are stored in separate physical memory systems that appear in different address spaces, but having the ability to read data items from program memory using special instructions.

6.2 Basic families

6.2.1 ARDUINO IDEs are generally classified into five broad groups:

- tiny ARDUINO IDE — the AT tiny series
- 0.5–8 kB program memory
- 6–32-pin package

- Limited peripheral set
- megaARDUINO IDE — the ATmega series
- 4–256 kB program memory
- 28–100-pin package
- Extended instruction set (Multiply instructions and instructions for handling larger program memories)
- Extensive peripheral set
- XMEGA — the ATxmega series
- 16–384 kB program memory
- 44–64–100-pin package (A4, A3, A1)
- Extended performance features, such as DMA, "Event System", and cryptography support.
- Extensive peripheral set with DACs
- Application-specific ARDUINO IDE
- megaARDUINO IDEs with special features not found on the other members of the ARDUINO IDE family, such as LCD controller, USB controller, advanced PWM, CAN etc.
- FPSLIC™ (ARDUINO IDE with FPGA)
- FPGA 5K to 40K gates
- SRAM for the ARDUINO IDE program code, unlike all other ARDUINO IDEs
- ARDUINO IDE core can run at up to 50 MHz ^[5]
- 32-bit ARDUINO IDEs

6.2.2 Main article: ARDUINO IDE32

In 2006 Atmel released microcontrollers based on the new, 32-bit, ARDUINO IDE32 architecture. They include SIMD and DSP instructions, along with other audio and video processing features. This 32-bit family of devices is intended to compete with the ARM based

processors. The instruction set is similar to other RISC cores, but is not compatible with the original ARDUINO IDE or any of the various ARM cores.

Device architecture

Flash, EEPROM, and SRAM are all integrated onto a single chip, removing the need for external memory in most applications. Some devices have a parallel external bus option to allow adding additional data memory or memory-mapped devices. Almost all devices (except the smallest Tiny ARDUINO IDE chips) have serial interfaces, which can be used to connect larger serial EEPROMs or flash chips.

Program memory

Program instructions are stored in non-volatile flash memory. Although the MCUs are 8-bit, each instruction takes one or two 16-bit words.

The size of the program memory is usually indicated in the naming of the device itself (e.g., the ATmega64x line has 64 kB of flash while the ATmega32x line has 32 kB).

There is no provision for off-chip program memory; all code executed by the ARDUINO IDE core must reside in the on-chip flash. However, this limitation does not apply to the AT94 FPSLIC ARDUINO IDE/FPGA chips.

Internal data memory

The data address space consists of the register file, I/O registers, and SRAM.

Internal registers



Fig 6.2: Atmel ATxmega128A1 in 100-pin TQFP package

The ARDUINO IDEs have 32 single-byte registers and are classified as 8-bit RISC devices.

In most variants of the ARDUINO IDE architecture, the working registers are mapped in as the first 32 memory addresses (0000_{16} – $001F_{16}$) followed by the 64 I/O registers (0020_{16} – $005F_{16}$).

Actual SRAM starts after these register sections (address 0060_{16}). (Note that the I/O register space may be larger on some more extensive devices, in which case the memory mapped I/O registers will occupy a portion of the SRAM address space.)

Even though there are separate addressing schemes and optimized opcodes for register file and I/O register access, all can still be addressed and manipulated as if they were in SRAM.

In the XMEGA variant, the working register file is not mapped into the data address space; as such, it is not possible to treat any of the XMEGA's working registers as though they were SRAM. Instead, the I/O registers are mapped into the data address space starting at the very beginning of the address space. Additionally, the amount of data address space dedicated to I/O registers has grown substantially to 4096 bytes (0000_{16} – $0FFF_{16}$). As with previous generations, however, the fast I/O manipulation instructions can only reach the first 64 I/O register locations (the first 32 locations for bitwise instructions). Following the I/O registers, the XMEGA series sets aside a 4096-byte range of the data address space which can be used optionally for mapping the internal EEPROM to the data address space (1000_{16} – $1FFF_{16}$). The actual SRAM is located after these ranges, starting at 2000_{16} .

EEPROM

Almost all ARDUINO IDE microcontrollers have internal EEPROM for semi-permanent data storage. Like flash memory, EEPROM can maintain its contents when electrical power is removed.

In most variants of the ARDUINO IDE architecture, this internal EEPROM memory is not mapped into the MCU's addressable memory space. It can only be accessed the same way an external peripheral device is, using special pointer registers and read/write instructions which makes EEPROM access much slower than other internal RAM.

However, some devices in the Secure ARDUINO IDE (AT90SC) family ^[6] use a special EEPROM mapping to the data or program memory depending on the configuration. The XMEGA family also allows the EEPROM to be mapped into the data address space.

Since the number of writes to EEPROM is not unlimited — Atmel specifies 100,000 write cycles in their datasheets — a well-designed EEPROM write routine should compare the contents of an EEPROM address with desired contents and only perform an actual write if contents need to be changed.

Program execution

Atmel's ARDUINO IDEs have a two stage, single level pipeline design. This means the next machine instruction is fetched as the current one is executing. Most instructions take just one or two clock cycles, making ARDUINO IDEs relatively fast among the eight-bit microcontrollers.

The ARDUINO IDE family of processors were designed with the efficient execution of compiled C code in mind and has several built-in pointers for the task.

6.3 Instruction set:

6.3.1 Main article: Atmel ARDUINO IDE instruction set

The ARDUINO IDE Instruction Set is more orthogonal than those of most eight-bit microcontrollers, in particular the 8051 clones and PIC microcontrollers with which ARDUINO IDE competes today. However, it is not completely regular:

- Pointer registers X, Y, and Z have addressing capabilities that are different from each other.
- Register locations R0 to R15 have different addressing capabilities than register locations R16 to R31.
- I/O ports 0 to 31 have different addressing capabilities than I/O ports 32 to 63.
- CLR affects flags, while SER does not, even though they are complementary instructions. CLR set all bits to zero and SER sets them to one. (Note that CLR is pseudo-op for EOR R, R; and SER is short for LDI R, \$FF. Math operations such as EOR modify flags while moves/loads/stores/branches such as LDI do not.)
- Accessing read-only data stored in the program memory (flash) requires special LPM instructions; the flash bus is otherwise reserved for instruction memory.

Additionally, some chip-specific differences affect code generation. Code pointers (including return addresses on the stack) are two bytes long on chips with up to 128 Kbytes of flash memory,

but three bytes long on larger chips; not all chips have hardware multipliers; chips with over 8 Kbytes of flash have branch and call instructions with longer ranges; and so forth.

The mostly-regular instruction set makes programming it using C (or even Ada) compilers fairly straightforward. GCC has included ARDUINO IDE support for quite some time, and that support is widely used. In fact, Atmel solicited input from major developers of compilers for small microcontrollers, to determine the instruction set features that were most useful in a compiler for high-level languages.

MCU speed

The ARDUINO IDE line can normally support clock speeds from 0-20 MHz, with some devices reaching 32 MHz's. Lower powered operation usually requires a reduced clock speed. All recent (Tiny, Mega, and Xmega, but not 90S) ARDUINO IDEs feature an on-chip oscillator, removing the need for external clocks or resonator circuitry. Some ARDUINO IDEs also have a system clock prescaler that can divide down the system clock by up to 1024. This prescaler can be reconfigured by software during run-time, allowing the clock speed to be optimized.

Since all operations (excluding literals) on registers R0 - R31 are single cycle, the ARDUINO IDE can achieve up to 1 MIPS per MHz, i.e., an 8 MHz processor can achieve up to 8 MIPS. Loads and stores to/from memory take 2 cycles, branching takes 2 cycles. Branches in the latest "3-byte PC" parts such as ATmega2560 are one cycle slower than on previous devices.

Development

ARDUINO IDEs have a large following due to the free and inexpensive development tools available, including reasonably priced development boards and free development software. The ARDUINO IDEs are sold under various names that share the same basic core but with different peripheral and memory combinations. Compatibility between chips in each family is fairly good, although I/O controller features may vary.

FEATURES

Current ARDUINO IDEs offer a wide range of features:

- Multifunction, bi-directional general-purpose I/O ports with configurable, built-in pull-up resistors
- Multiple internal oscillators, including RC oscillator without external parts

- Internal, self-programmable instruction flash memory up to 256 kB (384 kB on XMega)
- In-system programmable using serial/parallel low-voltage proprietary interfaces or JTAG
- Optional boot code section with independent lock bits for protection
- On-chip debugging (OCD) support through JTAG or debugWIRE on most devices
- The JTAG signals (TMS, TDI, TDO, and TCK) are multiplexed on GPIOs. These pins can be configured to function as JTAG or GPIO depending on the setting of a fuse bit, which can be programmed via ISP or HVSP. By default, ARDUINO IDEs with JTAG come with the JTAG interface enabled.
- debugWIRE uses the /RESET pin as a bi-directional communication channel to access on-chip debug circuitry. It is present on devices with lower pin counts, as it only requires one pin.
- Internal data EEPROM up to 4 kB
- Internal SRAM up to 16 kB (32 kB on XMega)
- External 64 kB little endian data space on certain models, including the Mega8515 and Mega162.
- The external data space is overlaid with the internal data space, such that the full 64 kB address space does not appear on the external bus. An access to e.g., address 0100_{16} will access internal RAM, not the external bus.
- In certain members of the XMega series, the external data space has been enhanced to support both SRAM and SDRAM. As well, the data addressing modes have been expanded to allow up to 16 MB of data memory to be directly addressed.
- ARDUINO IDEs generally do not support executing code from external memory. Some ASSPs using the ARDUINO IDE core do support external program memory.
- 8-bit and 16-bit timers
- PWM output (some devices have an enhanced PWM peripheral which includes a dead-time generator)
- Input capture
- Analog comparator

- 10 or 12-bit A/D converters, with multiplex of up to 16 channels
- 12-bit D/A converters
- A variety of serial interfaces, including
- I²C compatible Two-Wire Interface (TWI)
- Synchronous/asynchronous serial peripherals (UART/USART) (used with RS-232, RS-485, and more)
- Serial Peripheral Interface Bus (SPI)
- Universal Serial Interface (USI) for two or three-wire synchronous data transfer
- Brownout detection
- Watchdog timer (WDT)
- Multiple power-saving sleep modes
- Lighting and motor control (PWM-specific) controller models
- CAN controller support
- USB controller support
- Proper full-speed (12 Mbit/s) hardware & Hub controller with embedded ARDUINO IDE.
- Also, freely available low-speed (1.5 Mbit/s) (HID) bitbanging software emulations
- Ethernet controller support
- LCD controller support
- Low-voltage devices operating down to 1.8 V (to 0.7 V for parts with built-in DC–DC upconverter)
- picoPower devices
- DMA controllers and "event system" peripheral communication.
- Fast cryptography support for AES and DES

Programming interfaces

There are many means to load program code into an ARDUINO IDE chip. The methods to program ARDUINO IDE chips vary from ARDUINO IDE family to family.

ISP

The In-system programming (ISP) programming method is functionally performed through SPI, plus some twiddling of the Reset line. As long as the SPI pins of the ARDUINO IDE aren't connected to anything disruptive, the ARDUINO IDE chip can stay soldered on a PCB while reprogramming. All that's needed is a 6-pin connector and programming adapter. This is the most common way to develop with an ARDUINO IDE.

The Atmel ARDUINO IDE ISP mkII device connects to a computer's USB port and performs in-system programming using Atmel's software.

ARDUINO IDEDUDE (ARDUINO IDE Downloader UploaDEr) runs on Linux, FreeBSD, Windows, and Mac OS X, and supports a variety of in-system programming hardware, including Atmel ARDUINO IDE ISP mkII, Atmel JTAG ICE, older Atmel serial-port based programmers, and various third-party and "do-it-yourself" programmers.

PDI

The Program and Debug Interface (PDI) is an Atmel proprietary interface for external programming and on-chip debugging of XMEGA devices. The PDI supports high-speed programming of all non-volatile memory (NVM) spaces; flash, EEPROM, fuses, lock-bits and the User Signature Row. This is done by accessing the XMEGA NVM controller through the PDI interface, and executing NVM controller commands. The PDI is a 2-pin interface using the Reset pin for clock input (PDI_CLK) and a dedicated data pin (PDI_DATA) for input and output.

High voltage

High-voltage serial programming (hvsp) is mostly the backup mode on smaller ARDUINO IDEs. An 8-pin ARDUINO IDE package doesn't leave many unique signal combinations to place the ARDUINO IDE into a programming mode. A 12-volt signal, however, is something the ARDUINO IDE should only see during programming and never during normal operation.

Parallel

Parallel programming is considered the "final resort" and may be the only way to fix ARDUINO IDE chips with bad fuse settings. Parallel programming may be faster and beneficial when programming many ARDUINO IDE devices for production use.

Bootloader

Most ARDUINO IDE models can reserve a bootloader region, 256 B to 4 KB, where re-programming code can reside. At reset, the bootloader runs first, and does some user-programmed determination whether to re-program, or jump to the main application. The code can re-program through any interface available, it could read an encrypted binary through an Ethernet adapter like PXE. Atmel has application notes and code pertaining to many bus interfaces.

ROM

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The AT90SC series of ARDUINO IDEs are available with a factory mask-ROM rather than flash for program memory.^[14] Because of the large up-front cost and minimum order quantity, a mask-ROM is only cost-effective for high production runs.

aWire

aWire is a new one-wire debug interface available on the new UC3L ARDUINO IDE32 devices.

6.4 DEBUGGING INTERFACES

The ARDUINO IDE offers several options for debugging, mostly involving on-chip debugging while the chip is in the target system.

Debug WIRE

debug WIRE™ is Atmel's solution for providing on-chip debug capabilities via a single microcontroller pin. It is particularly useful for lower pin count parts which cannot provide the four "spare" pins needed for JTAG. The JTAGICE mkII, mkIII and the ARDUINO IDE Dragon support debug WIRE. Debug WIRE was developed after the original JTAGICE release, and now clones support it.

JTAG

JTAG provides access to on-chip debugging functionality while the chip is running in the target system.^[15] JTAG allows accessing internal memory and registers, setting breakpoints on code, and single-stepping execution to observe system behavior.

Atmel provides a series of JTAG adapters for the ARDUINO IDE:

- The JTAGICE 3 is the latest member of the JTAGICE family (JTAGICE mkIII). It supports JTAG, aWire, SPI, and PDI interfaces.
- The JTAGICE mkII replaces the JTAGICE, and is similarly priced. The JTAGICE mkII interfaces to the PC via USB, and supports both JTAG and the newer debugWIRE interface. Numerous 3rd-party clones of the Atmel JTAGICE mkII device started shipping after Atmel released the communication protocol.^[16]
- The ARDUINO IDE Dragon is a low-cost (approximately \$50) substitute for the JTAGICE mkII for certain target parts. The ARDUINO IDE Dragon provides in-system serial programming, high-voltage serial programming and parallel programming, as well as JTAG or debugWIRE emulation for parts with 32 KB of program memory or less. ATMEL changed the debugging feature of ARDUINO IDE Dragon with the latest firmware of ARDUINO IDE STUDIO 4 - ARDUINO IDE STUDIO 5 and now it supports devices over 32KB of program memory.
- The JTAGICE adapter interfaces to the PC via a standard serial port. The JTAGICE has been End-Of-Lifed, though it is still supported in ARDUINO IDE Studio and other tools.

JTAG can also be used to perform a Boundary Scan test,^[17] which tests the electrical connections between ARDUINO IDEs and other Boundary Scan capable chips in a system. Boundary scan is well-suited for a production line; the hobbyist is probably better off testing with a multimeter or oscilloscope.

Development tools and evaluation kits

Official Atmel ARDUINO IDE development tools and evaluation kits consists of a number of starter kits and debugging tools with support for most ARDUINO IDE devices:

STK600 starter kit

The STK600 starter kit and development system is an update to the STK500.^[18] The STK600 uses a base board, a signal routing board, and a target board.

The base board is similar to the STK500, in that it provides a power supply, clock, in-system programming, an RS-232 port and a CAN (Controller Area Network, an automotive

standard) port via DB9 connectors, and stake pins for all of the GPIO signals from the target device.

The target boards have ZIF sockets for DIP, SOIC, QFN, or QFP packages, depending on the board.

The signal routing board sits between the base board and the target board, and routes the signals to the proper pin on the device board. There are many different signal routing boards that could be used with a single target board, depending on what device is in the ZIF socket.

The STK600 interfaces with the PC via USB, leaving the RS-232 port available for the target microcontroller. A 4-pin header on the STK600 labeled 'RS-232 spare' can connect any TTL level USART port on the chip to the onboard MAX232 chip. The MAX232 is a TTL to RS-232 signal level converter to communicate with PC's. The pins are RX, TX, CTS, and RTS.

STK500 starter kit

The STK500 starter kit and development system features ISP and high voltage programming (HVP) for all ARDUINO IDE devices, either directly or through extension boards. The board is fitted with DIP sockets for all ARDUINO IDEs available in DIP packages.

STK500 Expansion Modules: Several expansion modules are available for the STK500 board:

- STK501 - Adds support for microcontrollers in 64-pin TQFP packages.
- STK502 - Adds support for LCD ARDUINO IDEs in 64-pin TQFP packages.
- STK503 - Adds support for microcontrollers in 100-pin TQFP packages.
- STK504 - Adds support for LCD ARDUINO IDEs in 100-pin TQFP packages.
- STK505 - Adds support for 14 and 20-pin ARDUINO IDEs.
- STK520 - Adds support for 14 and 20, and 32-pin microcontrollers from the AT90PWM and ATmega family.
- STK524 - Adds support for the ATmega32M1/C1 32-pin CAN/LIN/Motor Control family.
- STK525 - Adds support for the AT90USB microcontrollers in 64-pin TQFP packages.
- STK526 - Adds support for the AT90USB microcontrollers in 32-pin TQFP packages.

STK200 starter kit

The STK200 starter kit and development system can use ARDUINO IDE chips via DIL-40/20/8 and features 4 MHz clock source, 8x Light-emitting diodes, 8x input buttons, RS-232 port, option for 32k SRAM and numerous general I/O. Programmed can be done with a dongle connected to the parallel-port and the ISP socket.

Software wise programs can be compiled with ARDUINO IDE-gcc, Simulated with Simu Arduino IDE, Downloaded with ARDUINO IDEdude/ARDUINO IDEice on BSD and Linux. Assembler is available with ARDUINO IDEa/tpasm. GNU debugger is available with ARDUINO IDE-gdb.

Chip	Flash size	EEPROM	SRAM	Frequency [MHz]	Package
AT90S1200	1k	64	0	12	PDIP-20
AT90S2313	2k	128	128	10	PDIP-20
AT90S/LS2323	2k	128	128	10	PDIP-8
AT90S/LS2343	2k	128	128	10	PDIP-8
AT90S4414	4k	256	256	8	PDIP-40
AT90S/LS4434	4k	256	256	8	PDIP-40
AT90S8515	8k	512	512	8	PDIP-40
AT90S/LS8535	8k	512	512	8	PDIP-40

Table 6.1: Support microcontrollers

ARDUINO IDE ISP and ARDUINO IDE ISP mkII

The ARDUINO IDE ISP and ARDUINO IDE ISP mkII are inexpensive tools allowing all ARDUINO IDEs to be programmed via ICSP.

The ARDUINO IDE ISP connects to a PC via a serial port, and draws power from the target system. The ARDUINO IDE ISP allows using either of the "standard" ICSP pinouts, either the 10-pin or 6-pin connector. The ARDUINO IDE ISP has been discontinued, replaced by the ARDUINO IDE ISP mkII.

The ARDUINO IDE ISP mkII connects to a PC via USB, and draws power from USB. LEDs visible through the translucent case indicate the state of target power.



Fig 6.2: ARDUINO IDE Dragon

ARDUINO IDE Dragon with ISP programming cable:

The Atmel Dragon is an inexpensive tool which connects to a PC via USB. The Dragon can program all ARDUINO IDEs via JTAG, HVP, PDI, or ICSP. The Dragon also allows debugging of all ARDUINO IDEs via JTAG, PDI, or DebugWire; a previous limitation to devices with 32 kB or less program memory has been removed in ARDUINO IDEstudio 4.18. The Dragon has a small prototype area which can accommodate an 8, 28, or 40-pin ARDUINO IDE, including connections to power and programming pins. There is no area for any additional circuitry, although this can be provided by a third-party product called the "Dragon Rider".

JTAGICE mkI

The JTAG In Circuit Emulator (JTAGICE) debugging tool supports on-chip debugging (OCD) of ARDUINO IDEs with a JTAG interface. The original JTAGICE mkI uses an RS-232 interface to a PC, and can only program ARDUINO IDEs with a JTAG interface. The JTAGICE mkI is no longer in production, however it has been replaced by the JTAGICE mkII.

JTAGICE mkII

The JTAGICE mkII debugging tool supports on-chip debugging (OCD) of ARDUINO IDEs with SPI, JTAG, PDI, and debug WIRE interfaces. The debug Wire interface enables debugging using only one pin (the Reset pin), allowing debugging of applications running on low pin-count microcontrollers.

The JTAGICE mkII connects using USB, but there is an alternate connection via serial port, which requires using a separate power supply. In addition to JTAG, the mkII supports ISP programming (using 6-pin or 10-pin adapters). Both the USB and serial links use a variant of the STK500 protocol.

Butterfly demo board



Atmel ATmega169 in 64-pad MLF package

Main article: ARDUINO IDE Butterfly:

The very popular ARDUINO IDE Butterfly demonstration board is a self-contained, battery-powered computer running the Atmel ARDUINO IDE ATmega169V microcontroller. It was built to show-off the ARDUINO IDE family, especially a new built-in LCD interface. The board includes the LCD screen, joystick, speaker, serial port, real time clock (RTC), flash memory chip, and both temperature and voltage sensors. Earlier versions of the ARDUINO IDE Butterfly also contained a CdS photoresistor; it is not present on Butterfly boards produced after June 2006 to allow RoHS compliance. The small board has a shirt pin on its back so it can be worn as a name badge.

The ARDUINO IDE Butterfly comes preloaded with software to demonstrate the capabilities of the microcontroller. Factory firmware can scroll your name, display the sensor

readings, and show the time. The ARDUINO IDE Butterfly also has a piezo speaker that can be used to reproduce sounds and music.

The ARDUINO IDE Butterfly demonstrates LCD driving by running a 14-segment, six alpha-numeric character display. However, the LCD interface consumes many of the I/O pins.

The Butterfly's ATmega169 CPU is capable of speeds up to 8 MHz, however it is factory set by software to 2 MHz to preserve the button battery life. A pre-installed bootloader program allows the board to be re-programmed via a standard RS-232 serial plug with new programs that users can write with the free Atmel IDE tools.

AT90USBKey

This small board, about half the size of a business card, is priced at slightly more than an ARDUINO IDE Butterfly. It includes an AT90USB1287 with USB On-The-Go (OTG) support, 16 MB of DataFlash, LEDs, a small joystick, and a temperature sensor. The board includes software which lets it act as a USB Mass Storage device (its documentation is shipped on the DataFlash), a USB joystick, and more. To support the USB host capability, it must be operated from a battery; but when running as a USB peripheral, it only needs the power provided over USB. Only the JTAG port uses conventional 2.54 mm pinout. All the other ARDUINO IDE I/O ports require more compact 1.27 mm headers.

The ARDUINO IDE Dragon can both program and debug since the 32 kb limitation was removed in ARDUINO IDE Studio 4.18, and the JTAGICE mkII is capable of both programming and debugging the processor. The processor can also be programmed through USB from a Windows or Linux host, using the USB "Device Firmware Update" protocols. Atmel ships proprietary (source code included but distribution restricted) example programs and a USB protocol stack with the device.

LUFA is a third-party free software (MIT license) USB protocol stack for the USBKey and other

Raven wireless kit:

The RAVEN kit supports wireless development using Atmel's IEEE 802.15.4 chipsets, for ZigBee and other wireless stacks. It resembles a pair of wireless more-powerful Butterfly cards, plus a wireless USBKey; and costing about that much (under \$US100). All these boards support JTAG-based development.

The kit includes two ARDUINO IDE Raven boards, each with 2.4 GHz transceiver supporting IEEE 802.15.4 (and a freely licensed ZigBee stack). The radios are driven with ATmega1284p processors, which are supported by a custom segmented LCD display driven by an ATmega3290p processor. Raven peripherals resemble the Butterfly: piezo speaker, DataFlash (bigger), external EEPROM, sensors, 32 kHz crystal for RTC, and so on. These are intended for use in developing remote sensor nodes, to control relays, or whatever is needed.

The USB stick uses an AT90USB1287 for connections to a USB host and to the 2.4 GHz wireless links. These are intended to monitor and control the remote nodes, relying on host power rather than local batteries.

6.5 Third-party programmers

A wide variety of third-party programming and debugging tools are available for the ARDUINO IDE. These devices use various interfaces, including RS-232, PC parallel port, and USB. ARDUINO IDE Freaks has a comprehensive list.

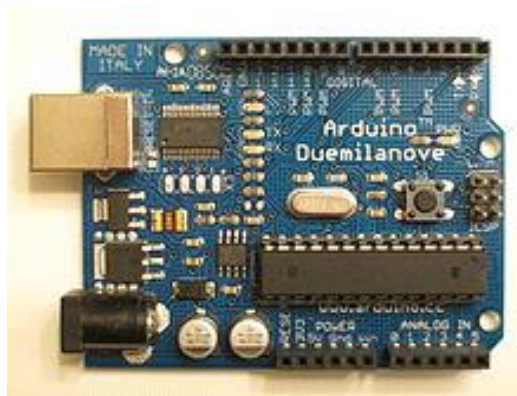


Fig 6.3: Atmel ARDUINO IDE Atmega328 28-pin DIP on an Arduino Duemilanove board

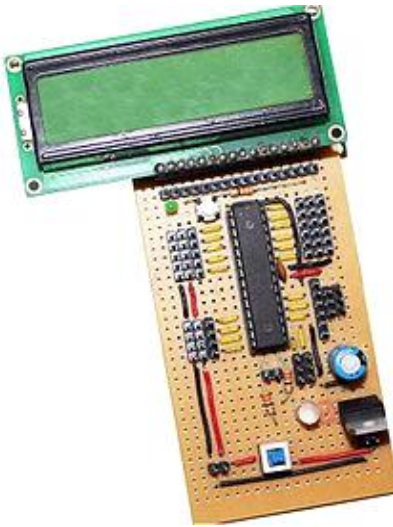


Fig 6.4: Atmel ARDUINOIDE ARDUINO 28-pin DIP on a custom designed development board

ARDUINO IDEs

ARDUINO IDEs have been used in various automotive applications such as security, safety, powertrain and entertainment systems. Atmel has recently launched a new publication "Atmel Automotive Compilation" to help developers with automotive applications. Some current usages are in BMW, Daimler-Chrysler and TRW.

The Arduino physical computing platform is based on an ATmega328 microcontroller (ATmega168 or ARDUINO in older board versions than the Diecimila). The ATmega1280 and ATmega2560, with more pinout and memory capabilities, have also been employed to develop the Arduino Mega platform. Arduino boards can be used with its language and IDE, or with more conventional programming environments (C, assembler, etc.) as just standardized and widely available ARDUINO IDE platforms.

USB-based ARDUINO IDEs have been used in the Microsoft Xbox hand controllers. The link between the controllers and Xbox is USB.

Numerous companies produce ARDUINO IDE-based microcontroller boards intended for use by hobbyists, robot builders, experimenters and small system developers including: Cubloc, gnusb, BasicX, Oak Micros, ZX Microcontrollers, and myARDUINO IDE. There is also a large community of Arduino-compatible boards supporting similar users. Few hobbyists prefer making their own version of board from scratch.

Schneider Electric produces the M3000 Motor and Motion Control Chip, incorporating an Atmel ARDUINO IDE Core and an Advanced Motion Controller for use in a variety of motion applications.

FPGA clones

With the growing popularity of FPGAs among the open-source community, people have started developing open-source processors compatible with the ARDUINO IDE instruction set. The OpenCores website lists the following major ARDUINO IDE clone projects:

- pARDUINO IDE, written in VHDL, is aimed at creating the fastest and maximally featured ARDUINO IDE processor, by implementing techniques not found in the original ARDUINO IDE processor such as deeper pipelining.
- ARDUINO IDE_core, written in VHDL, is a clone aimed at being as close as possible to the ATmega103.
- NARDUINO IDEé, written in Verilog, implements all Classic Core instructions and is aimed at high performance and low resource usage. It does not support interrupts.

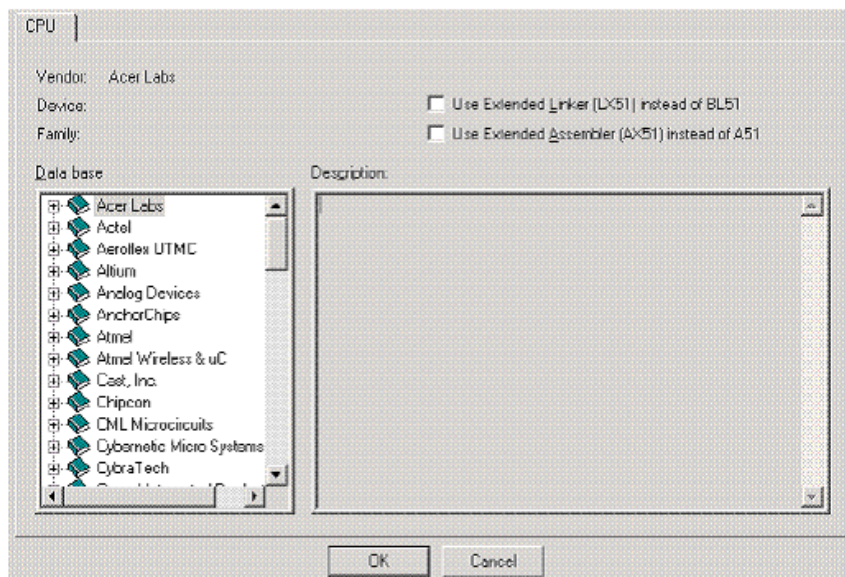


Fig 6.5: Window for choosing target device

Next, Micro Vision must be instructed to generate a HEX file upon program compilation. A HEX file is a standard file format for storing executable code that is to be loaded onto the

microcontroller. In the “Project Workspace” pane at the left, right-click on “Target 1” and select “Options for ‘Target 1’”. Under the “Output” tab of the resulting options dialog, ensure that both the “Create Executable” and “Create HEX File” options are checked. Then click “OK”.

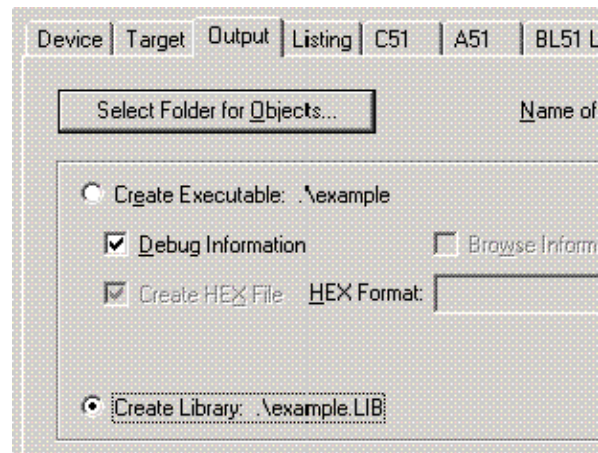


Fig 6.6: Project Options Dialog

Next, a file must be added to the project that will contain the project code. To do this, expand the “Target 1” heading, right-click on the “Source Group 1” folder, and select “Add files...” Create a new blank file (the file name should end in “.asm”), select it, and click “Add.” The new file should now appear in the “Project Workspace” pane under the “Source Group 1” folder. Double-click on the newly created file to open it in the editor. All code for this lab will go in this file. To compile the program, first save all source files by clicking on the “Save All” button, and then click on the “Rebuild All Target Files” to compile the program as shown in the figure below. If any errors or warnings occur during compilation, they will be displayed in the output window at the bottom of the screen. All errors and warnings will reference the line and column number in which they occur along with a description of the problem so that they can be easily located. Note that only errors indicate that the compilation failed, warnings do not (though it is generally a good idea to look into them anyway).

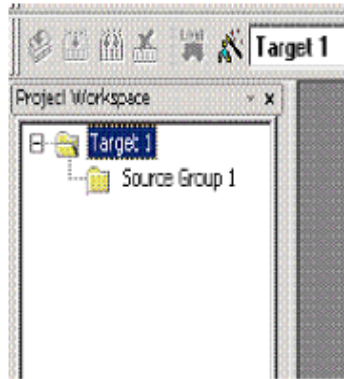


Fig 6.7: Project Workspace Pane

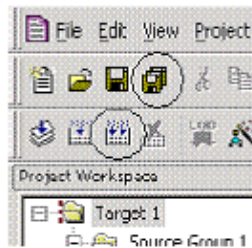


Fig 6.8: “Save All” and “Build All Target Files” Buttons

At the left side of the debugger window, a table is displayed containing several key parameters about the simulated microcontroller, most notably the elapsed time (circled in the figure below). Just above that, there are several buttons that control code execution. The “Run” button will cause the program to run continuously until a breakpoint is reached, whereas the “Step Into” button will execute the next line of code and then pause (the current position in the program is indicated by a yellow arrow to the left of the code).

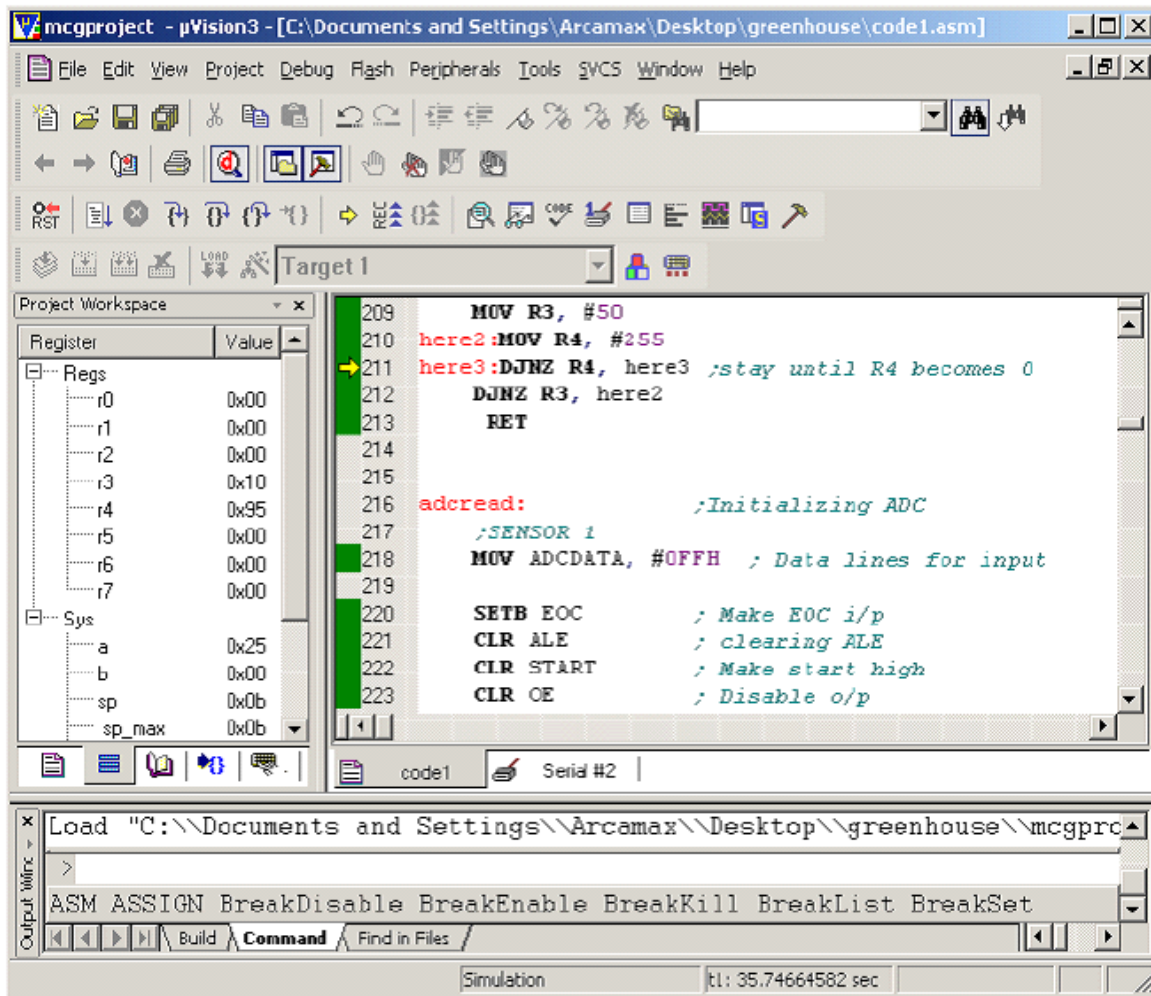


Fig 6.9: µVision3 Debugger window

ARDUINO IDE DUDE ARDUINO IDE programmer

USBasp - USB programmer for Atmel ARDUINO IDE controllers: -

USBasp is a USB in-circuit programmer for Atmel ARDUINO IDE controllers. It simply consists of an ARDUINO and a couple of passive components. The programmer uses a firmware-only USB driver

Features

- Flash Burner for ARDUINO IDE Series from ATMEL
- Communication - USB
- Auto Erase before writing and Auto Verify after writing
- Freeware ARDUINO IDE GCC C Compiler
- ISP Programming FRC Socket
- Connects through ARDUINO IDE DUDE
- Device Support

Connections to the target microcontroller: -

You can programmer any microcontroller by using this schematic, all you need to do is that find out the data sheet of that much you want to program and check the pin configuration. And the look for PIN MOSI MISO SCK and Reset, the connection will be as follows.

CHAPTER 7

METHODOLOGY

The order of execution of the project requirements is done so as to achieve an optimal solution within the shortest possible timeframe. The overall workflow is such that the most difficult to execute is done first and foremost, and the easiest is done at the last. This is so that, enough time is available for the testing process and some additional time, in the case of sudden, unprecedented emergencies [1]. The overall workflow can be classified into two phases; they are the Development Phase and the Testing Phase. In the development phase, the design of the circuit, purchasing of the components, developing the security detail, final integration of all the details into one and fabrication of components to make the final product look appealing is completed. Secondly, the testing phase involves the testing of the final, finished product for the various contingencies and areas of problems. When these tests are carried out, faults and defects are found out and they are rightly corrected.

CHAPTER 8

FUTURE ENHANCEMENT

The working of this model is very straightforward and very easy to understand. First, the fingerprint reader scans the fingerprint of the voter and sends the output to the microcontroller. The microcontroller then pairs the scanned data with the data in the database and retrieves the information about the voter. Now, the camera scans the face of the voter and checks whether it is similar to the face of the voter's face data that is paired with the fingerprint [11]. If it does not hold true, the process ends there with an error message but if it checks out, then the next step is carried out. Now the CPU displays the candidate details, in the area that is related to the voter, in a touch display. The voter then goes through the details and when he finalizes the candidate, he wants to cast his on, he then makes the selection on the display. Now is when the server comes into the picture. Now the voter has a verified and completed status on his ID and the vote count of the candidate is incremented by one. This data is stored both on a local memory and is also sent to another separate memory through an external server [20]. When the counting process begins, both the local data and the server data are compared to check for any manipulations. If the data don't match, then that shows signs of external manipulations and necessary actions can be taken on that [24]. Also, after the election is over, the overall voter - database can be retrieved and the persons without the verified and completed badge can be penalised and shown some tough love o encourage them to vote in the next election. This increases the number of voters gradually.

CHAPTER 9

CONCLUSION

Thus, here a voting system is discussed considering fingerprint matching process. Also, different techniques are analyzed. It is found that the fingerprint and face recognition-based voting system is best suitable in designing a proposed architecture. Hence, a proposed system will implement a voting system with privacy & security. The working of this model is very straightforward and very easy to understand. First, the fingerprint reader scans the fingerprint of the voter and sends the output to the microcontroller. The microcontroller then pairs the scanned data with the data in the database and retrieves the information about the voter. Now, the camera scans the face of the voter and checks whether it is similar to the face of the voter's face data that is paired with the fingerprint. There are many fraudulent and illegal activities that are happening in regards to the current voting process. With these problems in mind, the electronic voting machine is developed with fingerprint and facial recognition. This dual authentication system reduces the chances of the above-mentioned problems and so it has improved the security and efficiency of the voting process.

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