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Objectives:

The objectives of this experiment are to-

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

Equipment List:

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

Circuit Diagram:

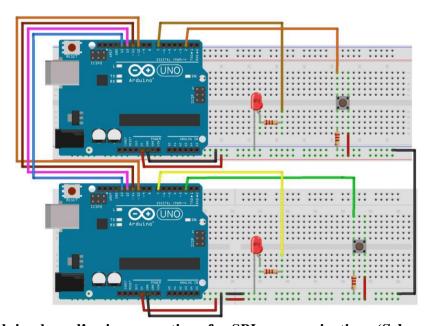


Fig: Two Arduino board's pin connections for SPI communications (Schematic Diagram)

Experimental Output Results:

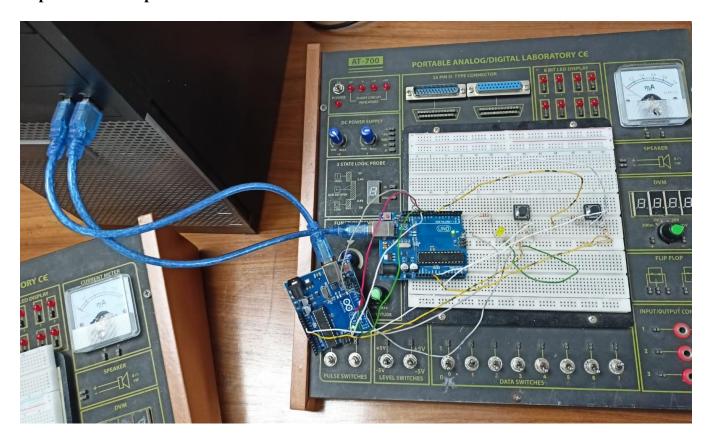


Fig. Hardware implementation of a LED light control using a switch from Master("Controller") and Slave("Peripheral")

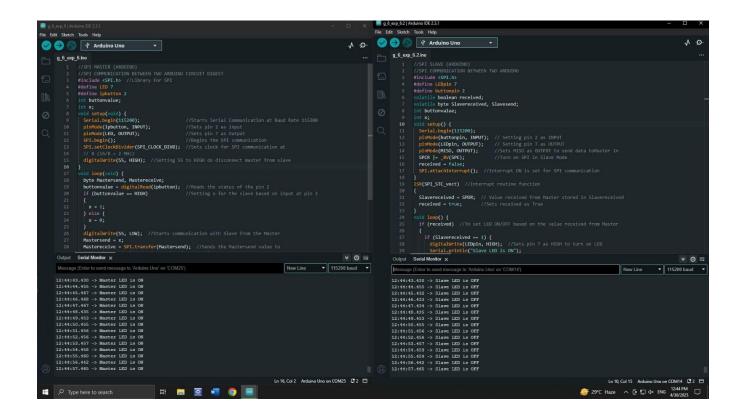


Fig Serial Monitor of Controller and Peripheral

Simulation Output Results:

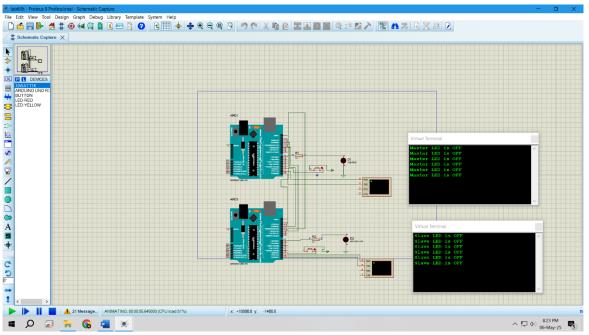


Fig: Simulation of Both LED Off

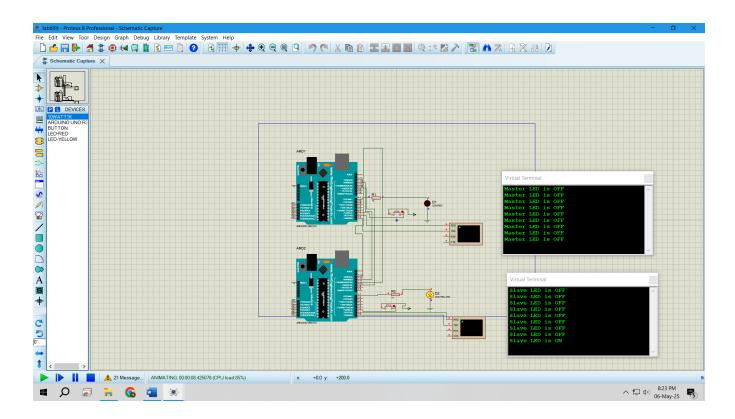


Fig: Simulation of Peripheral LED On

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Fig: Simulation of Controller LED On

Explaination:

- Proteus was opened, and a new project was created.
- Required components such as Arduino Uno(both Controller and Peripheral), LEDs, resistors, buttons and Virtual terminals were added from the library.
- The components were connected accordingly.
- The arduino codes were compiled and HEX files for both Controller and Peripheral were created.
- The HEX file was loaded into the Arduino Unos in Proteus.
- The simulation was run, and the LED behavior for both Controller and Peripheral were observed using the switches.

Answers to the Questions in the Lab Manual:

//Master/Controller Arduino Code:

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

```
else
{
digitalWrite(LED,LOW); //Sets pin 7 LOW
Serial.println("Master LED is OFF");
}
delay(1000);
}
```

Explaination:

Arduino SPI Master Programming Explanation:

1. First of all we need to include the SPI library for using SPI communication functions.

#include<SPI.h>

2. In void setup()

We Start Serial Communication at a Baud Rate of 1,15,200.

Serial.begin(115200);

Attach LED to pin 7 and Push button to pin 2 and set those pins as OUTPUT and INPUT respectively.

pinMode(ipbutton,INPUT);

pinMode(LED,OUTPUT);

Next, we begin the SPI communication.

SPI.begin();

Next, we set the Clockdivider for SPI communication. Here, we have set divider 8.

SPI.setClockDivider(SPI_CLOCK_DIV8);

Then we set the SS pin HIGH since we did not start any transfer from the Master to the slave Arduino.

digitalWrite(SS,HIGH);

3. In void loop():

We read the status of the push button pin connected to pin2 (Master Arduino) for sending those values to the slave.

buttonvalue = digitalRead(ipbutton);

```
Set Logic for setting x value (to be sent to the slave) depending upon the input from pin 2 if(buttonvalue == HIGH) { x = 1; } else { x = 0;
```

Before sending the value, we need to send LOW to the slave and select a value to begin the transfer to the slave from the Master.

digitalWrite(SS, LOW);

Then we send the push button value stored in *Mastersend* variable to the slave Arduino and also receive value from the slave that will be stored in *Mastereceive* variable.

Mastereceive=SPI.transfer(Mastersend);

```
After that, depending upon the Mastereceive value, we will turn the Master Arduino LED ON or OFF. if(Mastereceive == 1) {
    digitalWrite(LED,HIGH); //Sets pin 7 HIGH
    Serial.println("Master LED ON");
}
else
```

```
digitalWrite(LED,LOW); //Sets pin 7 LOW
Serial.println("Master LED OFF");
//Slave/Peripheral Arduino Code:
//SPI SLAVE (ARDUINO)
//SPI COMMUNICATION BETWEEN TWO ARDUINO
#include<SPI.h>
#define LEDpin 7
#define buttonpin 2
volatile boolean received;
volatile byte Slavereceived, Slavesend;
int buttonvalue;
int x;
void setup(){
Serial.begin(115200);
pinMode(buttonpin,INPUT); // Setting pin 2 as INPUT
pinMode(LEDpin,OUTPUT); // Setting pin 7 as OUTPUT
pinMode(MISO,OUTPUT); //Sets MISO as OUTPUT to send data to Master In
SPCR |= _BV(SPE); //Turn on SPI in Slave Mode
received = false;
SPI.attachInterrupt(); //Interrupt ON is set for SPI communication
ISR(SPI_STC_vect) //Interrupt routine function
Slavereceived = SPDR; // Value received from Master stored in Slavereceived
received = true; //Sets received as True
void loop() {
if(received) //To set LED ON/OFF based on the value received from Master
if (Slavereceived == 1)
digitalWrite(LEDpin, HIGH); //Sets pin 7 as HIGH to turn on LED
Serial.println("Slave LED is ON");
}
else
digitalWrite(LEDpin,LOW); //Sets pin 7 as LOW to turn off LED
Serial.println("Slave LED is OFF");
buttonvalue = digitalRead(buttonpin); //Reads the status of the pin 2
if (buttonvalue == HIGH) //To set the value of x to send to Master
x = 1;
}
else
x=0;
```

```
Slavesend = x;
SPDR = Slavesend; //Sends the x value to the Master via SPDR
delay(1000);
}
Explaination:
Arduino SPI Slave Programming Explanation:
1. First of all we need to include the SPI library for using SPI communication functions.
#include<SPI.h>
2. In void setup()
We Start Serial Communication at Baud Rate of 1,15,200.
Serial.begin(115200);
Attach LED to pin 7 and Push button to pin2 and set those pins OUTPUT and INPUT respectively.
pinMode(ipbutton,INPUT);
pinMode(LED,OUTPUT);
We set MISO as OUTPUT (to send data to Master IN). So, data is sent via MISO of Slave Arduino.
pinMode(MISO,OUTPUT);
Now, turn on or enable the SPI in Slave Mode by using the SPI Control Register (bit 6 of SPCR).
SPCR = BV(SPE);
Then turn ON interrupt for SPI communication. If data is received from the Master, the Interrupt Service
Routine (ISR) is called and the received value is taken from SPDR (SPI Data Register)
SPI.attachInterrupt();
The value from the master is taken from SPDR and stored in Slavereceived variable. This takes place by
following the Interrupt Routine function.
ISR (SPI_STC_vect)
Slavereceived = SPDR;
received = true;
3. Next in void loop(), we set the Slave Arduino LED to turn ON or OFF depending upon the Slavereceived
value.
if (Slavereceived==1)
digitalWrite(LEDpin,HIGH); //Sets pin 7 as HIGH LED ON
Serial.println("Slave LED ON");
}
else
digitalWrite(LEDpin,LOW); //Sets pin 7 as LOW LED OFF
Serial.println("Slave LED OFF");
Next, we read the status of the Slave Arduino Push button and store the value in Slavesend to send the value
to Master Arduino by giving value to SPDR register.
buttonvalue = digitalRead(buttonpin);
if (buttonvalue == HIGH)
{
x=1;
```

else

```
{
  x=0;
}
Slavesend = x;
SPDR = Slavesend;
```

Discussions: This experiment successfully demonstrated SPI communication between two Arduino boards. The SPI protocol's synchronous and full-duplex nature was effectively utilized to enable bidirectional data exchange. The practical implementation validated the reliability of SPI in real-time device control. Connections like MISO, MOSI, SCK, and SS were correctly configured to establish communication. Although the LED did not light up as expected, possibly due to a wiring issue or a bug in the code, the overall SPI communication was verified through serial monitoring. Both simulation and hardware results (excluding the LED response) confirmed the system's core functionality. Overall, the experiment provided valuable insights into SPI's practical applications and highlighted areas for further troubleshooting.

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