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You are permitted (and encouraged) to reference all CST8227 course material hosted on Brightspace as well as your BYOD (for example, your solution to a previous lab).

I simply ask that you complete the practical question on your own --- no help from your lab prof, no help from your friends nor the Internet other than the links provided in course materials.

**Note**: you are permitted to use the Internet to research on how to debounce a push-button switch. See below.

#### The Circuit and Serial Monitor

Use your Teensy to build a circuit that plays the Match Game. See below for the rules of the game.

Upon start-up, the initial state of the 7-segment display is continuously looping randomly picked digits (0 - 9) with a 500 mSec delay between each digit. As well, the Serial Monitor displays the current round number as:

Round #1...

An additional requirement is to display the following to the Serial Monitor each time the PBS is pressed: the PBS press #, and the frozen digit being displayed on the 7-segment display.

Follow this template for the Serial Monitor output:

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PBS press # [1 | 2] ==> [frozen digit on the 7-segment display]
```

After the frozen digit is released, go back to continuously looping randomly picked digits (0 - 9) with a 500 mSec delay between each digit.

Upon the 2<sup>nd</sup> press of the PBS within a round, display whether or not the digit of the first PBS press equals the digit of the second PBS press.

If the digits match, display to the Serial Monitor:

```
=> **MATCH**
```

As well, blink the match-digit on the 7-segment display for 2-seconds to show a win.

If the digits don't match, display to the Serial Monitor:

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=> NO Match... period.
```

As well, display the decimal point on the 7-segment display for 2-seconds to indicate a loss.

# **Build of Materials (BoM)**

Build your circuit using the following hardware components:

- 1 x Teensy v3.2 microcontroller
- 1 x USB cable (your own please)
- 1 x breadboard
- 1 x Shift Register (Texas Instruments)
- 1 x 7-Segment Display
- 1 x Push-Button Switch (PBS)
- 9 x 220-Ohm Resistors
  - 8 x 220-Ohm resistors for the 7-segment display; one resistor per 8 segments
  - 1 x 220-Ohm resistor for the PBS; configure in pull-down
- Connection Wires

#### Software (SW) Requirements

Write, debug and test a Teensyduino sketch that plays the Match Game. The rules of the game:

- The game is played in rounds, and a round is defined as 2 presses of the push-button switch (PBS).
  - Display the round number to the Serial Monitor: Round #N
- At the start of a round, the 7-segment display is continuously looping randomly picked digits, 0 thru 9 (inclusive). Set the delay between each digit to 500 mSec.
- When you press the PBS, freeze the digit on the 7-segment display for 2-seconds (2000 mSec).
  - Display PBS press #1 to the Serial Monitor
- When the digit un-freezes, go back to continuously looping randomly picked digits (0 9). Set the delay to 500 mSec.
- When you press the PBS for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in the round, freeze the digit on the 7-segment display for 2-seconds (2000 mSec).
  - Display PBS press #2 to the Serial Monitor
- Are the two digits --- from PBS press #1 and #2 --- the same?
   That's a match!
  - Display => \*\*MATCH\*\* to the Serial Monitor
  - Blink the matched-digit for 2-seconds on the 7-segment display
- Else, the two digits are not equal. That's not a match.
  - Display => NO Match... period. to the Serial Monitor
  - Display the (right) decimal point for 2-seconds
- Increment the round number, and display Round #2... to the Serial Monitor.
- Repeat until game ends: when Teensy is powered off or player closes IDE & walks away.

#### **Documentation Requirements**

Begin your sketch file with this header comment, and tell me the following information:

```
/**
    ** Name: enter your full name
```

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** Email: enter your Algonquin College email
    ** Expected Grade: enter the grade you expect to see
once I release the marks
    ** Known Issues: document any known issues that you
encountered, if any
**/
```

#### **Datasheets**

I made use of the following datasheets when making my solution:

- 7-segment Display: LDS-A504RI\_7\_Segment\_Display.PDF
- Shift Register (Texas Instruments): sn7hc595.PDF

Download the Data Sheets from Brightspace: Content => Datasheets

## References

 Arduino Language Reference for random function: https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/language/functions/random-numbers/random/

## **Deliverables**

Create a zip-file (must be  $\underline{zip}$  please) that contains the following items:

- 1. Your sketch (.INO) file, with header comment.
- 2. A video(s) recording showing the <u>running behaviour</u> of your circuit.
  - 1. Show me your circuit: do an 'aerial' shot, starting at the top of the circuit and move to the bottom. I expect to see the 7-segment display turned off, including the decimal point.
  - 2. Show me one (1) round: Match
    - 1. Show me the 7-segment Display: I need to see all digits (0 9)
    - 2. Show me the Serial. Monitor
  - 3. Show me one (1) round: No Match
    - 1. I don't need to see the digits (0 9)
    - 2. Show me the Serial. Monitor

- 3. A "selfie" with your prized circuit. Or, show me your Algonquin College Student ID card in the video recording of the previous step.
- 4. Screenshot of: Teensyduino IDE => Tools => Get Board Info dialog

#### How to: Get Board Info Dialog

With you Teensy connected to your BYOD, launch the Teensyduino IDE.

Set the COM port: Tools => Port => select the COM port listed under the Serial ports list

Open the board info dialog: Tools => Port => Get Board Info

Take your screenshot showing the info dialog.

#### **Submission Instructions**

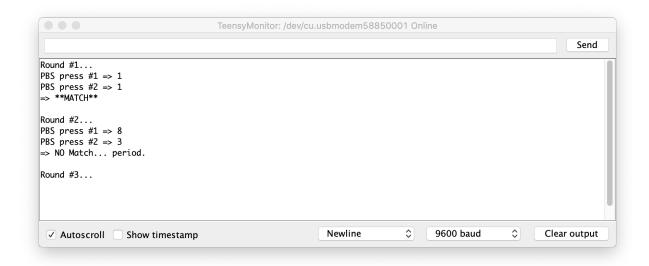
Upload and submit your zip-file before the Due Date and Time.

<u>Choose</u> where you would like to upload your zip-file (pick one of):

- upload and submit your zip-file to Brightspace
- store your zip-file on your Algonquin College OneDrive cloud drive, and paste the URL link to Brightspace (instead of the zip-file)

## Reference Screenshot: Serial Monitor Dialog

Assuming you debounced the PBS (see Rubric), your output in the Serial Monitor dialog window is to match mine exactly for full marks:



# Rubic

- A+ (10) :: plays Match Game and PBS is debounced using hardware xor the Bounce2 library (i.e. software)
  - for the library, I expect to see #include <Bounce2.h>
     at the top of your sketch (.INO) file
- A (9) :: Use the PBS to be in pull-up configuration with no discrete resistor. Make the appropriate change(s) to your sketch.
- A- / B+ (8) :: Serial.Monitor output does not match reference screenshot (minor)
- B (7) :: plays Match Game and PBS is debounced using millis()
   function
- C (6) :: plays Match Game but PBS is not debounced
- D (5) :: does not play Match Game
- F (0) :: no deliverable

#### **Penalties**

- Need a hint? -2 to -4 points
- Missing header comment: -2; missing / bogus information: -1
- Missing deliverable: -2.5 points; missing Board Info dialog: -10
- Late Submission: -2 to -5 points
- Video recording does not capture requested behaviour: -2 to -3

# **//TODO:** Independent Research

You'll be required to conduct independent research on the issue of pushbutton switches and debouncing.

Here's a suggestion.... you could apply SWEng principles:

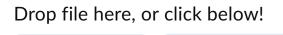
- Analysis: what is debouncing? what issue are you trying to solve?
- Design: formulate a plan of action, and design a solution in hardware or software
- Implement: build your solution to the problem you are trying to solve; debouncing a PBS in this case
- Test: test, test, test; test with the idea to break your solution

Repeat until the requirement has been fulfilled.

-BP

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