

EE2004D-MICROPROCESSORS AND MICRO CONTROLLERS

PROJECT REPORT

LED CHASER CIRCUIT

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INTRODUCTION

Light chasers are decorative lights or LEDs arranged in different moving patterns which create a chasing light or running light kind of effect. These look very interesting and are surely eye catching and that's why these types of lighting arrangement have gained immense popularity in today's world. They are widely used in advertising boards to make them look attractive.

BASIC THEORY

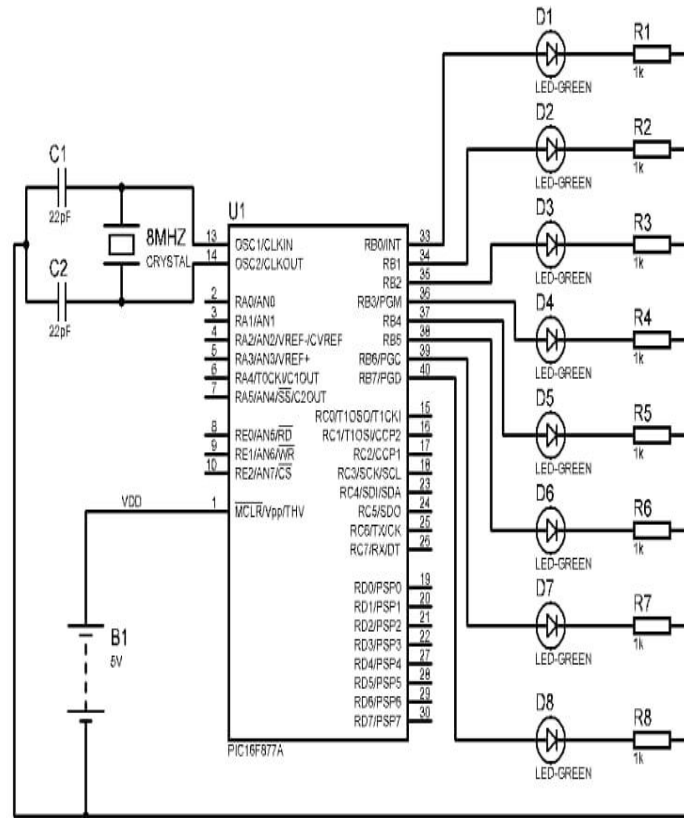
Here we are using PIC16F877A microcontroller to create the running. Time delay is the key feature used here. By controlling the output port and time delay we can create this circuit. There can numerous patterns created using this here we are going to do the following pattern

1. They get light one after the other in forward direction
2. They get light one after the other in backward direction
3. Then single light is off and moves forward
4. Then single light is off and moves backward
5. All lights turns on at a time and then goes off.

COMPONENTS REQUIRED

1. PIC16F877A microcontroller
2. Crystal oscillator (8MHz)
3. LED (general purpose)
4. Resistors
5. Capacitors
6. Batteries
7. Connecting Wires
8. Bread Board

SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM



COMPONENTS DESCRIPTION :

MICROCONTROLLER

Here we are using PIC16F877A which is a 40 pin Microcontroller designed using RISC architecture and is widely used in embedded systems. We are using timers here for creating the delay it has three timers in it two of which are 8 bit timers and 1 is a 16 bit timer.



CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR

Crystal oscillators are mainly used in digital integrated circuits for providing a stable clock signal and in specific applications which require high frequency reference.



LED

LED which is abbreviated as light emitting diode is a semiconductor light source that emits light when current flows through it .

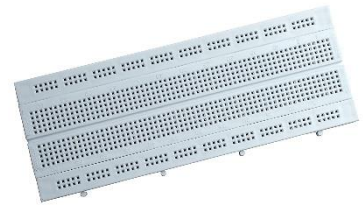


BATTERY

A 6V dc voltage battery is used in the circuit to provide the required voltage

BREAD BOARD

A breadboard is a construction base for prototyping of electronic circuits as the breadboard is solderless it is reusable which makes it easy for creating temporary prototypes.



CODE

```
#pragma config FOSC = XT
#pragma config WDTE = OFF
#pragma config PWRTE = OFF
#pragma config BOREN = OFF
#pragma config LVP = ON
#pragma config CPD = ON
#pragma config WRT = 256
#pragma config CP = ON
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <xc.h>
```

```
#define _XTAL_FREQ 8000000;
```

```
void Delay_ms(unsigned int a){
    for(unsigned int i=0;i<=a;i++){
        }
}
```

```
void main()
{
    unsigned char i = 1, j = 128, k;
    TRISB = 0x00;
    PORTB = 0x00;

    while(1)
    {
        PORTB = 0xFF;
        Delay_ms(1000);

        for(k = 0; k < 8; k++)
        {
            PORTB = i;
            i = i << 1;
            Delay_ms(200);
            if(i == 0){ i = 1;}
        }
        // right to left shift
        for(k = 0; k < 8; k++)
        {
            PORTB = j;
            j = j >> 1;
            Delay_ms(200);
            if(j == 0){ j = 128;}
```

```
}
```

```
for(k = 0; k <8; k ++)
```

```
{
```

```
    PORTB = i;
```

```
    i = i<<1 ;
```

```
    Delay_ms(200);
```

```
    if(i == 0){ i = 255;}
```

```
}
```

```
for(k = 0; k <8; k ++)
```

```
{
```

```
    PORTB = j;
```

```
    j = j>>1;
```

```
    Delay_ms(200);
```

```
    if(j == 0){ j = 255;}
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
}
```


Code explanation:

Since PIC16 has no internal clock or oscillator, an external oscillator bit is enabled in XT configuration and disabling watchdog timer provides disabling of MCLR pin which means the microcontroller resets and sets automatically as the program progresses.

First we defined a function Delay_ms to create desired delay in the circuit then in the main function we took port B as the output port and made all its bits low. Now we make first pin of PORTB high and using the bit wise operator left shift($a \ll b$) we make the next pin of the port high and all others low as the pins are connected to LEDs this creates a racing effect in the forward direction. Similarly when the last pin of PORTB is high we use the bitwise operator right shift ($a \gg b$) to create similar racing effect in the backward direction. After two cycles of this process port B is loaded with FFH which makes every bit high and every LED glows.

Output

