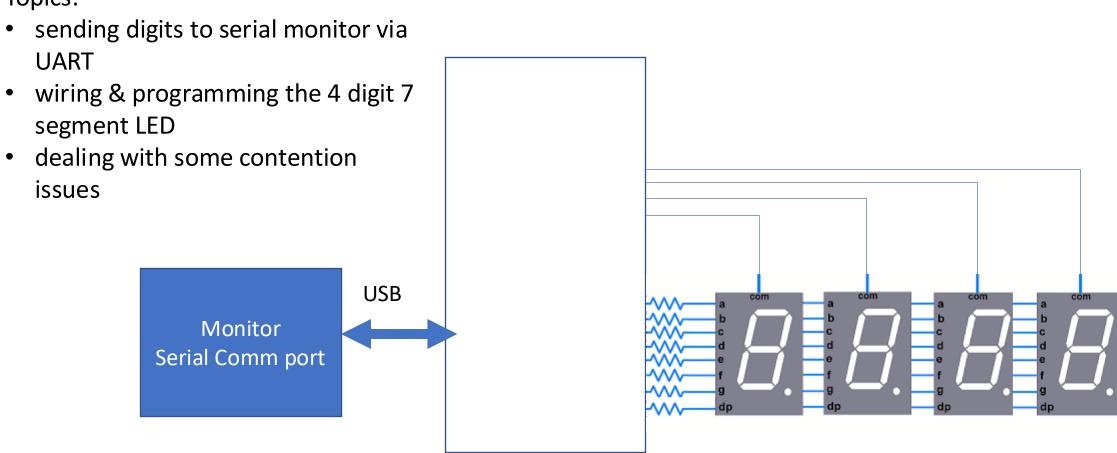
8.6 Retinal Persistence and the 4 digit, 7-segment LED.

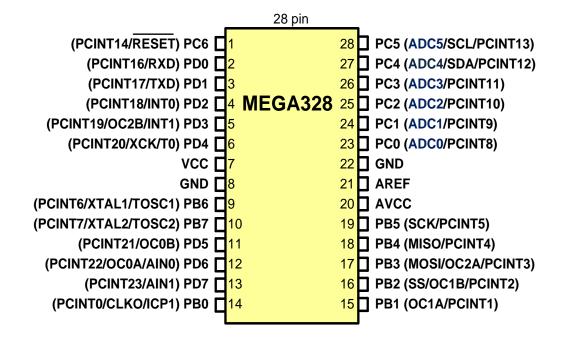
ECE-231 Prof. McLaughlin Let's build a four digit ring counter (0000 – 9999) that displays digits on a serial monitor and on the 4-digit 7-segment display.

Topics:



Sending digits to serial monitor via UART:

write a program that implements a 4 digit ring counter (0-9999, then repeat), sending the count via UART to the serial monitor.



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serialwow.c > ...
    * serialcomm_main.c - this program continuously sends
    * the letter 'WOW!' to the serial monitor via the UART on the ATmega328P MCU.
    * Date
    * 3/1/22
                  D. McLaughlin initial release. based on serialcomm_main.c
   #include <avr/io.h>
                                  // Defines constants USCROB, USCROC, etc...
   void uart_init(void);
                                  // Function prototype (declaration)
   void send_char(char);
                                  // Function prototype (declaration)
   int main(void){
                                  // Main function definition
      uart_init();
                                  // Initialize the UART
       while (1) {
                                  // Send repeatedly
           send_char('W');
          send_char('o');
           send_char('W');
           send_char(10);
                                  // Carriage Return
           send_char(13);
   // This function initializes the UART peripheral
   // enable; 8 data bits; 1 stop bit, no parity
   // 9600 baud from 16 MHz clock
   void uart_init(void) {
       UCSR0B = (1 << TXEN0);
       UCSR0C = (1<< UCSZ01)|(1<<UCSZ00);
       UBRROL = 103; // Gives us 9600 baud from 16 MHz clock
   // This function sends a single character to the serial comm port
   void send_char(char letter){
       while (! (UCSR0A&(1<<UDRE0))); // Wait until Tx buffer is empty</pre>
      UDR0=letter;
```

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C uart_string.c > ...
      * uart_string.c - This code sends strings to com port via uart.
       * Date
                                Revision
      * 12/16/21 D. McLaughlin Initial writing of the code
      * 1/15/22 D. McLaughlin Tested on Arduino Uno w/ Apple M1 pro
                                host running Monterey
      * 2/27/22 D. McLaughlin tested on Windows 11 on Parallels VM
      #include <avr/io.h>
      #include <util/delay.h>
11
      #include <string.h> //so that we can use the strlen() function
12
13
      void uart_init(void);
      void uart_send(unsigned char);
      void send_string(char *stringAddress);
      int main(void){
         char mystring[] = "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?";
         uart init(); // initialize the USART
         while (1) {
21
             send_string(mystring);
             uart_send(13); // Carriage return (goto beginning of line)
             uart_send(10); //line feed (new line)
             _delay_ms(500);
      // Send a string, char by char, to uart via uart_send()
      // Input is pointer to the string to be sent
      void send string(char *stringAddress){
         for (unsigned char i = 0; i < strlen(stringAddress); i++)</pre>
             uart_send(stringAddress[i]);
34
    > void uart_init(void){--
40
41 > void uart_send(unsigned char ch){--
      /**** End of file ****/
```

we are making use of 3 user-defined functions: uart_init() uart_send() send_string()

ASCII Codes:

Dec	Hex	Ch
32	20	
33	21	1
34	22	
35	23	#
36	24	\$
37	25	×
38	26	&
39	27	,
40	28	(
41	29	>
42	2A	*
43	2B	+
44	2C	,
45	2D	-
46	2E	l . l
47	2F	/
48	30	0
49	31	1
50	32	2
51	33	3
52	34	4
53	35	5
54	36	6
55	37	7
56	38	8
57	39	9
58	3A	:
59	3B	;
60	3C	<
61	3D	=
62	3E	>
63	3F	?

Dec	Hex	Ch	Dec	Hex	Ch
64	40	6	96	60	•
65	41	A	97	61	a
66	42	В	98	62	b
67	43	С	99	63	С
68	44	D	100	64	d
69	45	E	101	65	е
70	46	F	102	66	f
71	47	G	103	67	g
72	48	Н	104	68	h
73	49	I	105	69	i
74	4A	J	106	6A	j
75	4B	к	107	6B	k
76	4C	L	108	6C	1
77	4D	M	109	6D	m
78	4E	N	110	6E	n
79	4F	0	111	6F	o
80	50	P	112	70	p
81	51	Q	113	71	q
82	52	R	114	72	r
83	53	S	115	73	s
84	54	T	116	74	t
85	55	U	117	75	u
86	56	U	118	76	v
87	57	W	119	77	w
88	58	X	120	78	×
89	59	Y	121	79	y
90	5A	z	122	7A	z
91	5B	ι	123	7B	{
92	5C	\	124	7C	1
93	5D	1	125	7D	>
94	5E	^	126	7E	~
95	5F		 127	7F	Δ

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Send (transmit) the string: "Wow!"
       uart_send('W');
       uart_send('o');
       uart_send('w');
       uart_send('!');
or
       uart_send(87);
       uart_send(111);
       uart_send(119);
       uart_send(33);
or
       send_string("Wow!")
```

we are making use of 3 user-defined functions: uart_init() uart_send() send_string()

ASCII Codes:

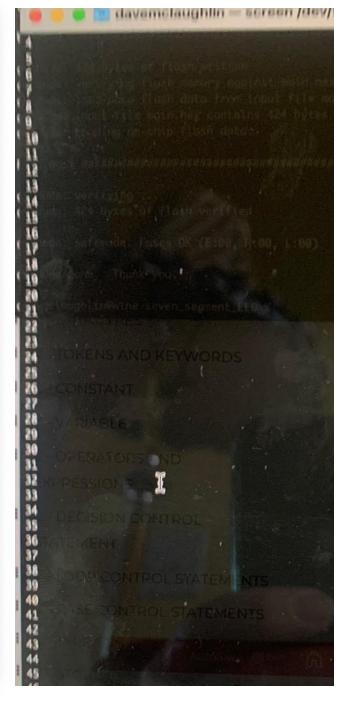
Dec	Hex	Ch
32	20	
33	21	1
34	22	"
35	23	#
36	24	\$
37	25	×
38	26	&
39	27	,
40	28	(
41	29	>
42	2A	*
43	2B	+
44	2C	,
45	2D	-
46	2E	
47	2F	//
48	30	0
49	31	1
50	32	2
51	33	3
52	34	4
53	35	5
54	36	6
55	37	7
56	38	8
57	39	9
58	3A	:
59	3B	 ;
60	3C	<
61	3D	=
62	3E	>
63	3F	?

Dec	Hex	Ch		Dec	Hex
64	40	6	1 1	96	60
65	41	A		97	61
66	42	В		98	62
67	43	С		99	63
68	44	D		100	64
69	45	E		101	65
70	46	F		102	66
71	47	G		103	67
72	48	Н		104	68
73	49	I		105	69
74	4A	J		106	6A
75	4B	К		107	6B
76	4C	L		108	6C
77	4D	M		109	6D
78	4E	N		110	6E
79	4F	0		111	6F
80	50	P		112	70
81	51	Q		113	71
82	52	R		114	72
83	53	S		115	73
84	54	T		116	74
85	55	U		117	75
86	56	U		118	76
87	57	W		119	77
88	58	X		120	78
89	59	Y		121	79
90	5A	Z		122	7A
91	5B	τ		123	7B
92	5C	\		124	7C
93	5D	1		125	7D
94	5E	^		126	7E
95	5F			127	7F

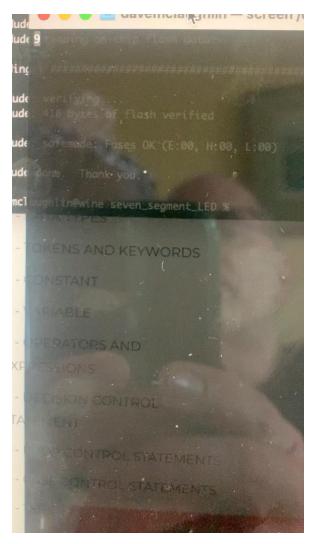
h	Dec	Hex	Ch	l
7	96	60	•	l
1	97	61	a	l
3	98	62	ь	l
;	99	63	С	l
	100	64	d	l
3	101	65	е	l
7	102	66	f	l
;	103	67	g	l
	104	68	h	l
	105	69	i	l
r	106	6A	j	l
١	107	6B	k	l
	108	6C	1	l
1	109	6D	m	l
1	110	6E	n	l
	111	6F	o	l
·	112	70	p	l
2	113	71	q	l
≀	114	72	r	l
:	115	73	s	l
	116	74	t	l
,	117	75	u	l
,	118	76	v	l
/	119	77	w	l
:	120	78	×	l
!	121	79	y	l
:	122	7A	z	l
	123	7B	₹	l
	124	7C	1	
ı	125	7D	>	
١.	126	7E	~	
-	127	7F	Δ	

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6 ways to transmit the letter G
    uart_send('G');
    uart_send(71);
    uart_send(0x47);
    uart_send(6+65);
    uart_send(6+'A');
    send_string("G");
                       // strings in " "
6 ways to transmit the number 4
    uart_send('4');
    uart_send(52);
    uart_send(0x34);
    uart_send(4+48);
    uart_send(4+'0');
    send_string("4");
```

```
M makefile
              c counter_uart.c ×
                                      counter_uart2.c
 main.c
counter_uart.c > ☆ main(void)
   /* counter_uart.c This code implements a 0- 9999 ring counter
   and displays the count value on the monitor using the UART.
   This is a demo for ECE-231 Spring 2022
   #include <avr/io.h>
                           // #defines all the port pins
   #include <util/delay.h> // Declares _delay_ms() function
   #include <stdlib.h>
   #include <string.h>
                           // Declares strlen() function
   void uart_init(void);
   void uart_send(unsigned char);
   void send_string(char *stringAddress);
   int main(void){
       char mystring[10];
       uart_init(); // initialize the USART
       while (1) {
           for (unsigned int i=0; i<10000; i++){
               itoa(i, mystring, 10); // Convert i to a string, base 10
               send_string(mystring);
               uart_send(13); // Carriage return (goto beginning of line)
               uart send(10); //line feed (new line)
               _delay_ms(1000);
 > void send_string(char *stringAddress){--
   // Initialize the uart, 8,1,0, 9600 baud
 > void uart_init(void){--
   // Send a single character to the UART transmitter
   void uart_send(unsigned char ch){
       while (!(UCSR0A & (1 << UDRE0))); //wait til tx data buffer empty</pre>
       UDR0 = ch; //write the character to the USART data register
```



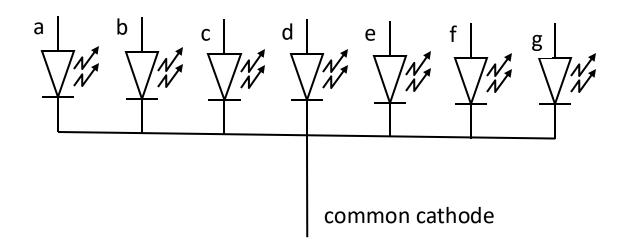
commenting out the usart_send(10); line

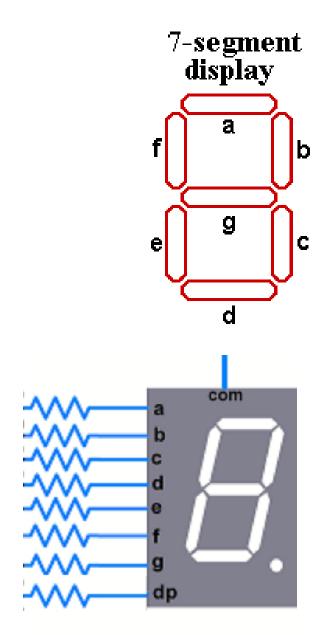


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/* counter_uart2.c This code implements a 0- 9999 ring counter
  and displays the count value on the monitor using the UART.
  This is a demo for ECE-231 Spring 2022
  D. McLaughlin 3/18/22 */
  #include <avr/io.h>
                         // #defines all the port pins
  #include <util/delay.h> // Declares _delay_ms() function
  #include <string.h>
  void uart_init(void);
  void uart_send(unsigned char);
  void send_string(char *stringAddress);
  int main(void){
      char digit;
      uart_init(); // initialize the USART
      while (1) {
          for (unsigned int i=0; i<10000; i++){
              digit = i/1000;
                                      // 1000's place (most signif digit)
              uart_send(digit+'0');
              digit = (i/100) %10;
                                    // 100's place
              uart send(digit+'0');
              digit = (i/10) %10;
              uart_send(digit+'0');
              digit = i%10;
              uart_send(digit+'0');
              uart_send(13); // Carriage return (goto beginning of line)
              uart_send(10); //line feed (new line)
               _delay_ms(10);
// Send a string, char by char, to uart via uart_send() --
> void send_string(char *stringAddress){--
> void uart_init(void){--
> void uart_send(unsigned char ch){--
  /**** End of file ****/
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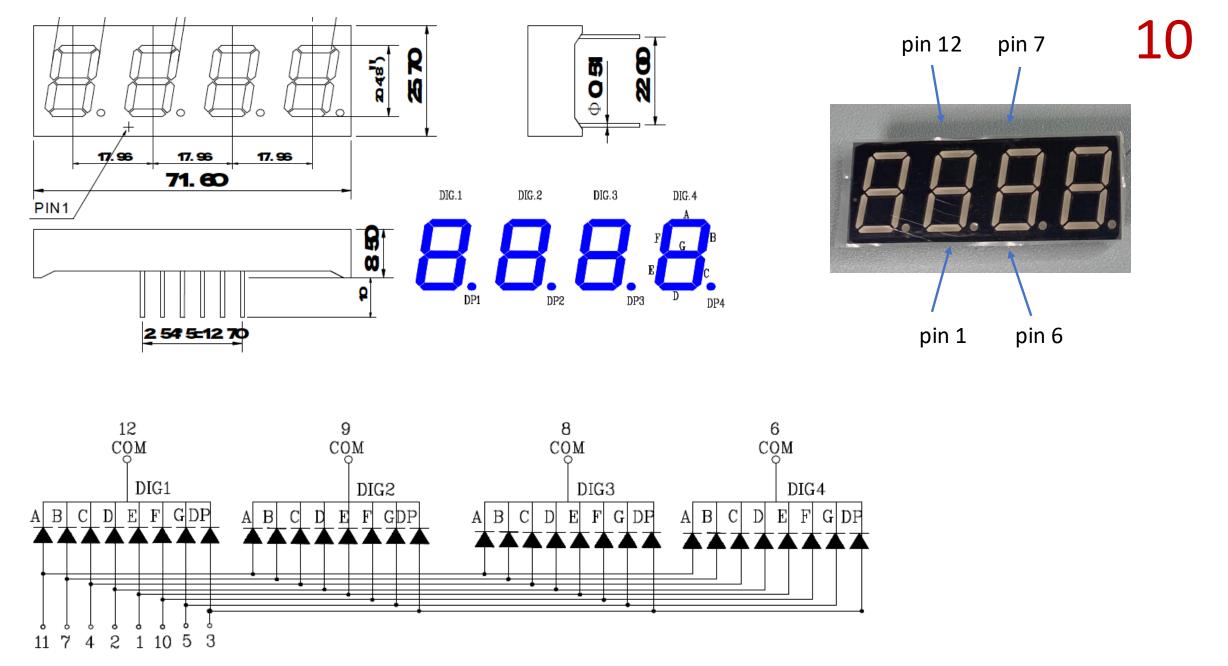


Common Cathode 7 Segment LED

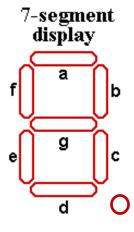


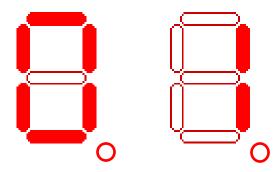


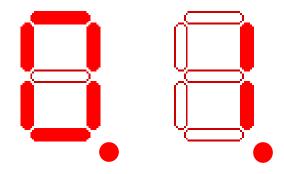
some also have a decimal point as an 8th segment



Datasheet: https://www.sparkfun.com/products/11409

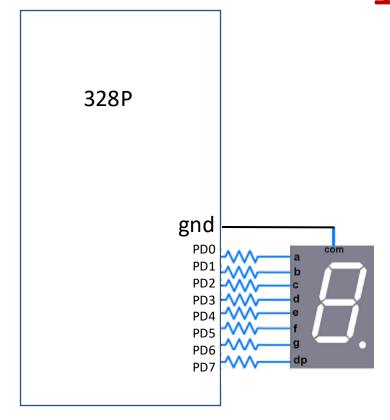






	dp	g	f	е	d	С	b	а		
	PD7	PD6	PD5	PD4	PD3	PD2	PD1	PD0	Binary	Hex
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0011 1111	0x3F
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0000 0110	0x06

	dp	g	f	е	d	С	b	а		
	PD7	PD6	PD5	PD4	PD3	PD2	PD1	PD0	Binary	Hex
0.	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1011 1111	0xBF
1.	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1000 0110	0x86

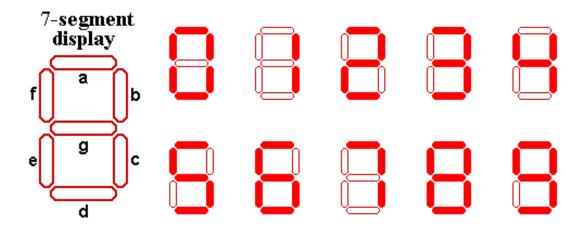


Common Cathode 7 Segment LED

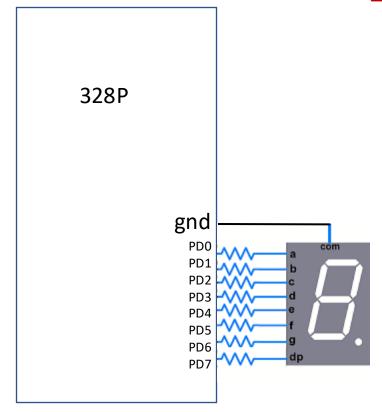
note: these slides use ABCDEFG and abcdefg interchangably

```
C seven_0101.c > ...
      /* seven_0101.c This code displays the digits 0, 1, 0., 1.
      in sequence on DIG4 of the 4 digit, 7 segment (+ dp) LED
      display. This is a demo for ECE-231 Spring 2023
      D. McLaughlin 3/7/23 */
      #include <avr/io.h>
      #include <util/delay.h>
      #define MYDELAY 500
10
      int main(void){
11
                            // Set all 8 pins as output
          DDRD = 0xFF;
12
13
          while(1){
14
              PORTD = 0x3f; // Illuminate 0
15
              _delay_ms(MYDELAY);
16
              PORTD = 0x06; // Illuminate 1
17
              _delay_ms(MYDELAY);
18
              PORTD = 0xBF; // Illuminate 0.
19
              _delay_ms(MYDELAY);
              PORTD = 0x86; // Illuminate 1.
20
21
              _delay_ms(4*MYDELAY); // Longer delay before repeating
22
23
24
25
       /*** End of File ***/
```



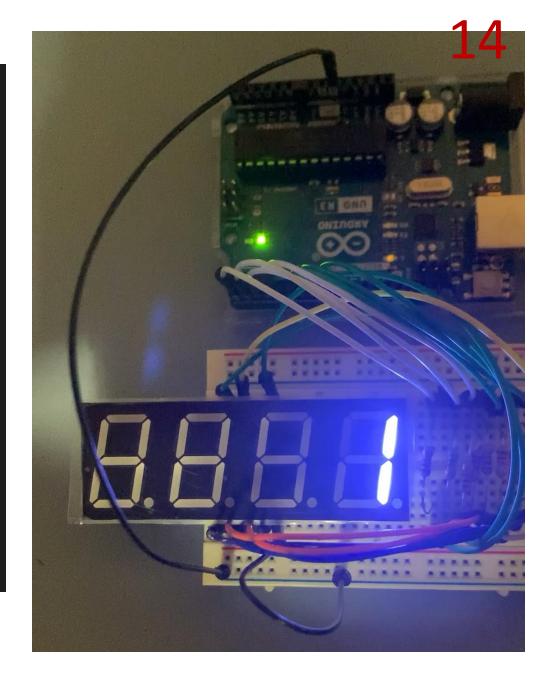


	dp	g	f	е	d	С	b	а		
	PD7	PD6	PD5	PD4	PD3	PD2	PD1	PD0	Binary	Hex
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0011 1111	0x3F
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0000 0110	0x06
2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0101 1011	0x5B
3	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0100 1111	0x4F
4										
5	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0110 1101	0x6D
6										
7										
8										
9	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0110 1111	0x6F



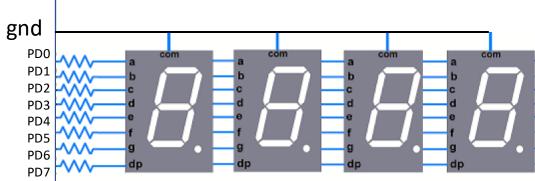
Common Cathode 7 Segment LED

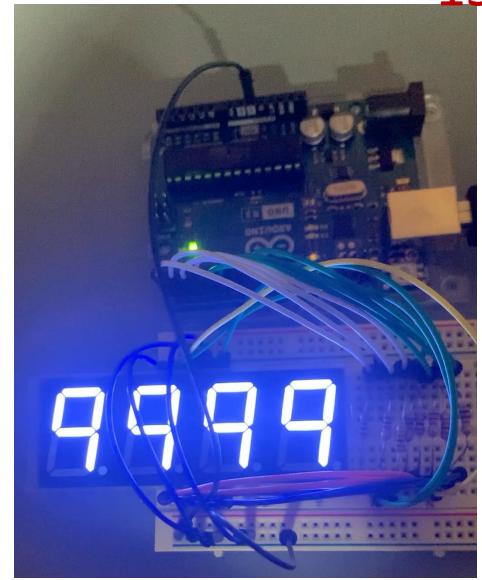
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/* seven_main.c This code demonstrates the use of a 4 digit
7 segment LED.
D. McLaughlin 3/16/22 ECE-231 Demo */
#include "avr/io.h"
#include "util/delay.h"
int main(void)
    unsigned char ledDigits[] = \{0x3F, 0x06, 0x5B, 0x4F, 0x66, 0x6D, 0x7D,
        0x07, 0x7F, 0x67};
    unsigned char i=0;
    DDRD = 0xFF; //7segment pins
    while (1) {
       i++;
        if(i>9)
           i=0;
       PORTD = ledDigits[i]; //digit
                                         for this movie,
        _delay_ms(10);  
                                         _delay_ms(1000);
```



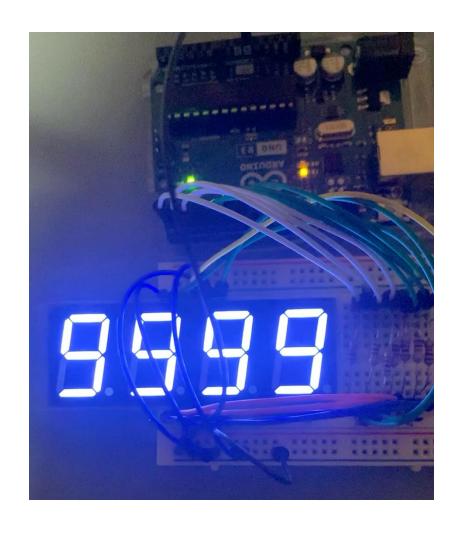
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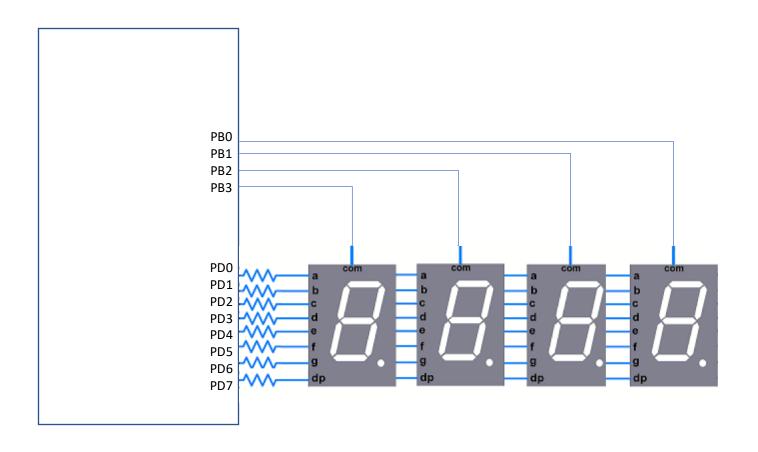


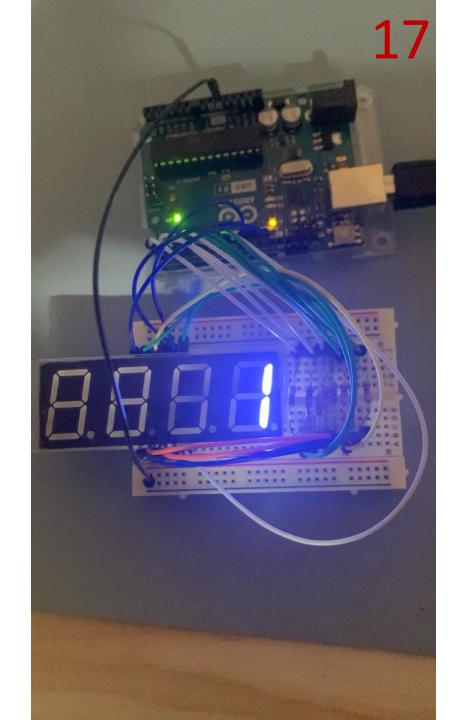


Retinal Persistence

The com pin for each digit connected to PBO-PB4. When these pins are low, the digit will glow.

Code (not shown) sequences through PBO – PB1 – PB2 – PB3 to sequence through the digits.





retinal persistence: repeatedly illuminate digits with update faster than 1/30 sec = 0.033 sec = 33 msec

pseudocode:

increment counter (0-9999)

illuminate 1's digit wait 5 ms

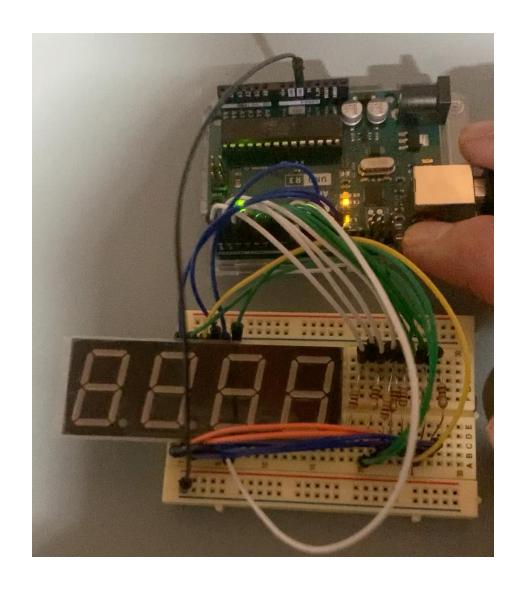
illuminate 10's digit wait 5 ms

illuminate 100's digit wait 5 ms

illuminate 1000's digit wait 5 ms

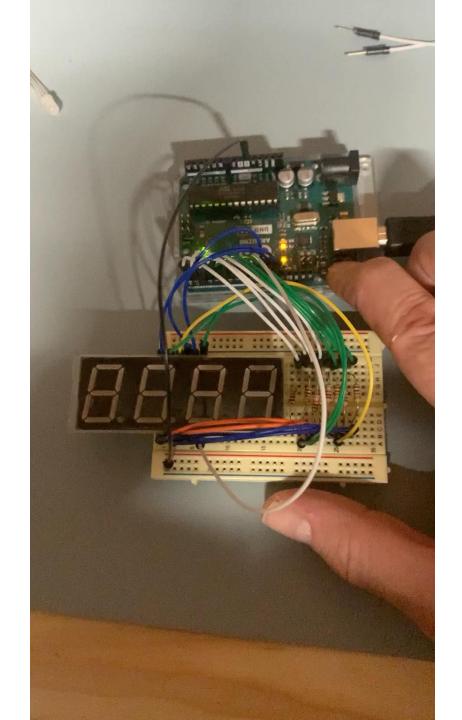
repeat

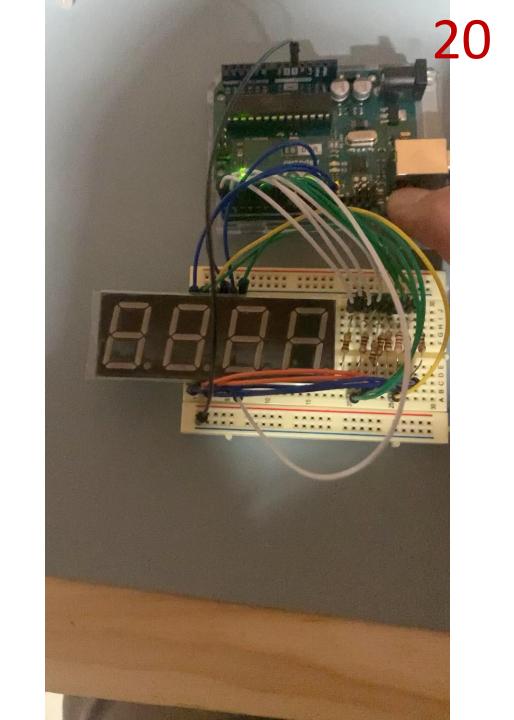
this loop repeatedly illuminate each digit every 20 msec



/* seven_counter_main.c This code demonstrates the use of a 4 digit
7 segment LED. This version counts 0-1000 repeatedly and uses retinal
persistence to create an always-on effect in the digits
D. McLaughlin 3/16/22 ECE-231 Demo */

```
#include "avr/io.h"
#include "util/delay.h"
#define PERSISTENCE 5
int main(void){
   unsigned char ledDigits[] = {0x3F, 0x06, 0x5B, 0x4F, 0x66, 0x6D, 0x7D,
       0x07, 0x7F, 0x67};
   unsigned int i=0;
   unsigned char DIG1, DIG2, DIG3, DIG4;
   DDRD = 0 \times FF;
                   // 7segment pins
   DDRB = 0xFF; // Digit enable pins
   PORTB = 0xFF; // Disable all the digits initially
   while (1) {
       i++;
       if(i>9999) i=0;
       DIG4 = i%10;
       PORTD = ledDigits[DIG4];
       PORTB = \sim (1 << 1);
                                    // enable 1's digit (DIG4)
                                    // stay on for small amount of time
       _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
       DIG3= (i/10)%10;
       PORTD = ledDigits[DIG3];
       PORTB = \sim (1 << 2);
       _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
       DIG2 = (i/100)%10;
                                    // 100's digit
       PORTD = ledDigits[DIG2];
       PORTB = \sim (1 << 3);
                                    // Enable 100's digit (DIG2)
       _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
       DIG1 = (i/1000);
                                    // 1000's digit (Most signif digit)
       PORTD = ledDigits[DIG1];
       PORTB = \sim (1 << 4);
                                    // Enable 1000's digit (DIG1)
       _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
```





```
/* seven_enable_main.c This code demonstrates the use of a 4 digit
7 segment LED. This version counts 0-1000 repeatedly and uses
persistence to create an always-on effect in the digits
D. McLaughlin 3/16/22 ECE-231 Demo */
#include "avr/io.h"
#include "util/delay.h"
#define PERSISTENCE 5
#define COUNTTIME 200
                               // This is the # of ms beteen counts
int main(void)
    unsigned char ledDigits[] = {0x3F, 0x06, 0x5B, 0x4F, 0x66, 0x6D, 0x7D,
        0x07, 0x7F, 0x67};
    unsigned int i=0;
    unsigned char DIG1, DIG2, DIG3, DIG4;
   DDRD = 0xFF; // 7segment pins
    DDRB = 0xFF; // Digit enable pins
    PORTB = 0xFF; // Initially disable the digits
    while (1) {
        i++;
        if(i>9999) i=0;
        DIG4 = i%10;
       DIG3= (i/10)%10;
       DIG2 = (i/100)%10;
        DIG1 = (i/1000);
```

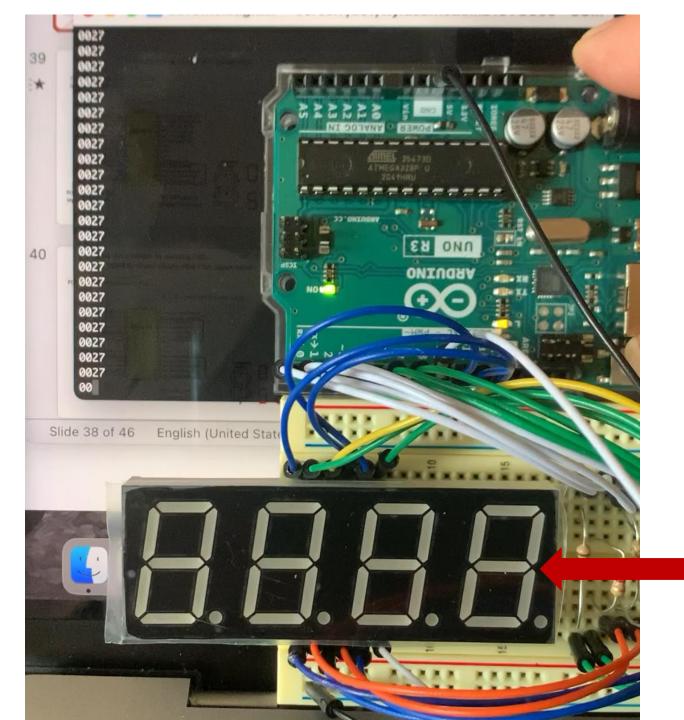
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for (int j=0; j<COUNTTIME/PERSISTENCE/4; j++){</pre>
   PORTD = ledDigits[DIG4];
   PORTB = \sim (1 << 1);
    _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
   PORTD = ledDigits[DIG3];
   PORTB = \sim (1 << 2);
   _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
   PORTD = ledDigits[DIG2];
   PORTB = \sim (1 << 3);
    _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
   PORTD = ledDigits[DIG1];
   PORTB = \sim (1 << 4);
    _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
```

This code combines UART & 4 digit 7 segment display

```
/* seven_uart_main.c This code demonstrates the use of a 4 digit
7 segment LED. This version counts 0-1000 repeatedly and uses
persistence to create an always-on effect in the digits. Digits
are also sent via UART. This code has D1 contention between UART &
the display. D. McLaughlin 3/20/22 ECE-231 Demo */
#include "avr/io.h"
#include "util/delay.h"
#define PERSISTENCE 5
#define COUNTTIME 1000
                                  // This is the # of ms beteen counts
void uart_init(void);
void uart_send(unsigned char);
int main(void){
    unsigned char ledDigits[] = {0x3F, 0x06, 0x5B, 0x4F, 0x66, 0x6D, 0x7D,
        0 \times 07, 0 \times 7F, 0 \times 67;
    unsigned int i=0;
    unsigned char DIG1, DIG2, DIG3, DIG4;
    uart init();
    DDRD = 0xFF;
    DDRB = 0xFF;
                    // Digit enable pins
    while (1) {
        i++;
        if(i>9999) i=0;
        DIG4 = i%10;
                                     // Compute 1's digit (Least sig digit)
        DIG3= (i/10)%10;
                                     // Compute 10's digit
        DIG2 = (i/100)%10;
                                     // Compute 100's digit
        DIG1 = (i/1000);
                                     // Compute 1000's digit (Most sig digit)
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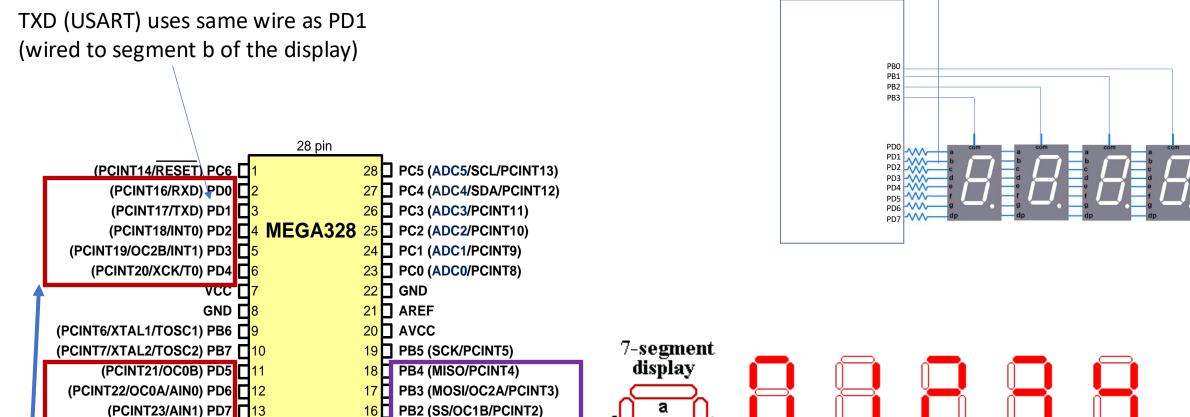
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for (int j=0; j<COUNTTIME/PERSISTENCE/4; j++){</pre>
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG1];
                                               // 1000's digit (Most significant)
              uart_send(DIG1+'0');
                                               // Tx 1000's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 4);
                                               // Enable 1000's digit
              _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG2];
                                                // 100's digit
              uart_send(DIG2+'0');
                                               // Tx 100's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 3);
                                               // Enable 100's digit
              _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG3];
                                               // 10's digit
              uart_send(DIG3+'0');
                                               // Tx 10's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 2);
                                               // Enable 10's digit
               _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG4];
                                               // 1's digit (Lease sig digit)
              uart_send(DIG4+'0');
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 1);
                                               // Enable 1's digit
               _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              PORTB = 0xFF;
                                               // Disable all digits
              uart_send(13); // Carriage return (goto beginning of line)
              uart_send(10); //line feed (new line)
> void uart_init(void){--
> void uart_send(unsigned char ch){--
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pay attention to LED segment b

GPIO PORTD & USART wire contention

TXD from UART to UART/USB converter

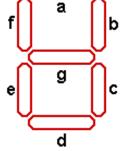


PDO-PD7 used to for segments a-g & dp

(PCINTO/CLKO/ICP1) PB0 14

PB1-PB4 used to enable DIG1-DIG4

15 PB1 (OC1A/PCINT1)





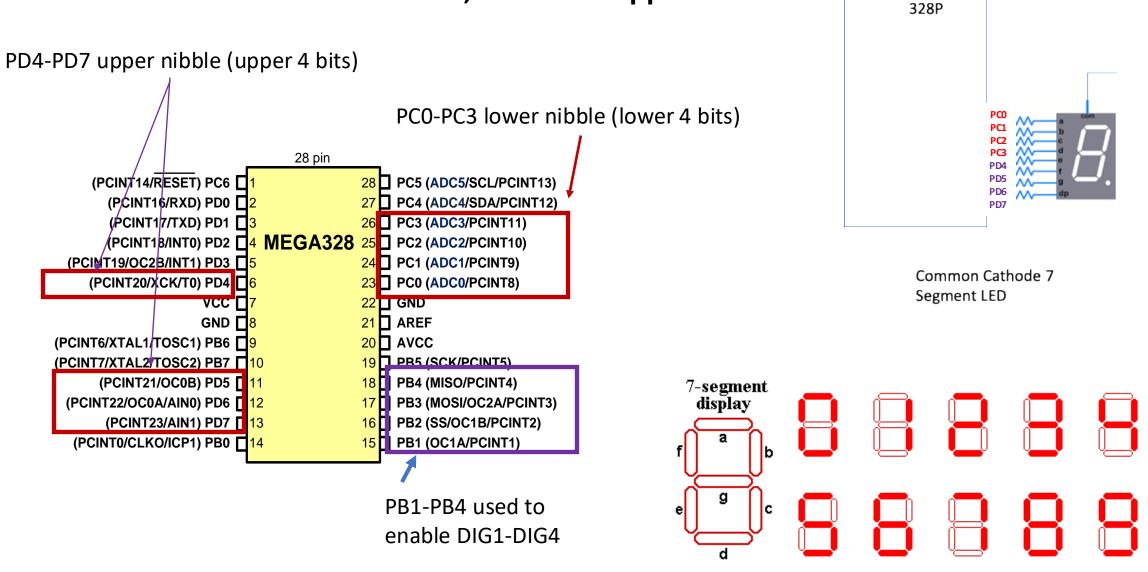








Solve this problem by avoiding PD0. Use PC0-3 for lower nibble; PD4-7 for upper nibble



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/* seven uart corrected.c Demonstrates simultaneous display
of a 4 digit ring counter (0000-9999) to UART & 4 digit, 7
segment LED. PC0-3 & PD4-7 used for segments a-d, e-dp.
D. McLaughlin 3/19/22 ECE-231 Demo */
#include "avr/io.h"
#include "util/delay.h"
#define PERSISTENCE 5
                               // # ms between counts
#define COUNTTIME 50
void uart_init(void);
void uart_send(unsigned char);
int main(void){
    unsigned char ledDigits[] = {0x3F, 0x06, 0x5B, 0x4F, 0x66, 0x6D, 0x7D,
        0x07, 0x7F, 0x67};
    unsigned int i=0;
    unsigned char DIG1, DIG2, DIG3, DIG4;
    uart_init(); // Initialize the UART
    DDRC = 0 \times 0 F;
                   // Segments a-d use PC0-PC3
   DDRD = 0 \times F0;
                   // Segments e-g & dp use PD4-PD7
   DDRB = 0xFF;
                   // Digit enable pins
    while (1) {
        i++;
        if(i>9999) i=0;
                            // 1's digit (least significant digit)
        DIG4 = i%10;
        DIG3= (i/10)%10;
                           // 10's digit
        DIG2 = (i/100)%10; // 100's digit
        DIG1 = (i/1000); // 1000's digit (most significant digit)
        for (int j=0; j<COUNTTIME/PERSISTENCE/4; j++){</pre>
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for (int j=0; j<COUNTTIME/PERSISTENCE/4; j++){</pre>
              // Show 1000's digit
              PORTC = ledDigits[DIG1];
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG1];
              uart_send(DIG1+'0');
                                                   // Tx 1000's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 4);
                                                   // Enable DIG1
              _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              // Show 100's digit
              PORTC = ledDigits[DIG2];
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG2];
              uart send(DIG2+'0');
                                                   // Tx 100's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 3);
                                                   // Enable DIG2
              _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              // Show 10's digit
              PORTC = ledDigits[DIG3];
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG3];
              uart_send(DIG3+'0');
                                                   // Tx 100's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 2);
                                                   // Enable DIG3
              _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              // Show 1's digit
              PORTC = ledDigits[DIG4];
              PORTD = ledDigits[DIG4];
              uart_send(DIG4+'0');
                                                   // Tx 10's digit
              PORTB = \sim (1 << 1);
                                                   // Enable DIG4
              _delay_ms(PERSISTENCE);
              PORTB = 0xFF;
                                                  // Disable all digits
              uart_send(13);
                                                  // Tx carriage return
              uart_send(10);
> void uart_init(void){--
> void uart_send(unsigned char ch){--
```

