

Embended systems  
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## Introduction

**Topic:** General Purpose Input/Output registers on AVR.

**Objectives:** Understanding GPIO, . LED connection. Button connection. LCD Display device Task integration

**Tasks:** Write a C program and schematics for Micro Controller Unit (MCU) using led which will be turned on by pushing on button and turned off when button is released. Additionally use LCD Display which will display current state of led.

## General-purpose input/output (GPIO)

**Definition** General-purpose input/output (GPIO) is a generic pin on an integrated circuit or computer board whose behavior including whether it is an input or output pin is controllable by the user at run time. GPIO pins have no predefined purpose, and go unused by default. The idea is that sometimes a system integrator who is building a full system might need a handful of additional digital control lines and having these available from a chip avoids having to arrange additional circuitry to provide them. For example, the Realtek ALC260 chips (audio codec) have 8 GPIO pins, which go unused by default.

**Atmega32 GPIO** Atmega32 has 8-bit port, i.e. it has 8 pins in a single port. Each bit represents a pin i.e. bit 0 represents pin 0 on that port and so on. As you can see in the diagram given below, Atmega32 has 4 ports named as A, B, C and D. Each of these ports has 8-pins (micro-controller pins).

## GPIO REGISTERS

Every GPIO has three registers associated with it in order to control a particular pin. For AVR micro-controllers these registers are:

- **DDRn** – Data Direction Register
- **PORTn** – Port Output data Register
- **PINn** – Port Input Register

**n** - Indicates the port name i.e. A, B, C and D

**DDRn Register** Data Direction Register configures data direction of a port or a port pin. I mean a port will be used for input or output. Writing a value 0 configures that port pin as INPUT and writing a value 1 configures a port pin as OUTPUT.

**PORTn Register** PORTn register is used for two purposes :

- To output data when port is configured as output
- To activate/deactivate internal pull-up registers when port is configured as input

**PIN Register** The PINn register keeps the status of all the pins in that port. By reading this register we can get the current logic level (0 or 1) on the pin. When the pin is configured as input, this register tells what logic level is being given on that pin, whether it's 0 or 1. When the pin is configured as output, this register tells what logic level is being driven out.<sup>111</sup>

## Light-emitting diode

**Definition** A light-emitting diode (LED) is a two-lead semiconductor light source. It is a p–n junction diode, which emits light when activated.[4] When a suitable voltage is applied to the leads, electrons are able to recombine with electron holes within the device, releasing energy in the form of photons. This effect is called electroluminescence, and the color of the light (corresponding to the energy of the photon) is determined by the energy band gap of the semiconductor.

**Usage** Early LEDs were often used as indicator lamps for electronic devices, replacing small incandescent bulbs. They were soon packaged into numeric readouts in the form of seven-segment displays, and were commonly seen in digital clocks.

## UART

**Definition** A universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter , is a computer hardware device for asynchronous serial communication in which the data format and transmission speeds are configurable. The electric signaling levels and methods (such as differential signaling, etc.) are handled by a driver circuit external to the UART.

## Resources

**Short Theory:** Proteus developed by Labcenter Electronics, is a software with which you can easily generate schematic captures, develop PCB and simulate microprocessor. It has such a simple yet effective interface that it simplifies the task required to be performed. This one aspect has attracted many users to select this tool amongst many others offering the same services. Atmel® Studio 6 is the integrated development platform (IDP) for developing and debugging Atmel ARM® Cortex®-M and Atmel AVR® microcontroller (MCU) based applications. The Atmel Studio 6 IDP gives you a seamless and easy-to-use environment to write, build and debug your applications written in C/C++ or assembly code. A microcontroller (sometimes abbreviated  $\mu$ C, uC or MCU) is a small computer on a single integrated circuit containing a processor core, memory, and programmable input/output peripherals. Microcontrollers are designed for embedded applications, in contrast to the microprocessors used in personal computers or other general purpose applications. In computing, a device driver (commonly referred to as a driver) is a computer program that operates or controls a particular type of device that is attached to a computer. A driver provides a software interface to hardware devices, enabling operating systems and other computer programs to access hardware functions without needing to know precise details of the hardware being used.

About stdio library: Input and Output operations can be performed using the CStandardInput and Output Library (cstdio, known as stdio.h in the C language). This library uses what are called streams to operate with physical devices such as keyboards, printers, terminals or with any other type of files supported by the system. Streams are an abstraction to interact with these in a uniform way. All streams have similar properties independently of the individual characteristics of the physical media they are associated with. Streams are handled in the cstdio library as pointers to FILE objects. A pointer to a FILE object uniquely identifies a stream, and is used as a parameter in the operations involving that stream.

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### ATmega328

The high-performance Atmel 8-bit AVR RISC-based microcontroller combines 32KB ISP flash memory with read-while-write capabilities, 1KB EEPROM, 2KB SRAM, 23 general purpose I/O lines, 32 general purpose working registers, three flexible timer/counters with compare modes, internal and external interrupts, serial programmable USART, a byte-oriented 2-wire serial interface, SPI serial port, 6-channel 10-bit A/D converter (8-channels in TQFP and QFN/MLF packages), programmable watchdog timer with internal oscillator, and five software selectable power saving modes. The device operates between 1.8-5.5 volts. By executing

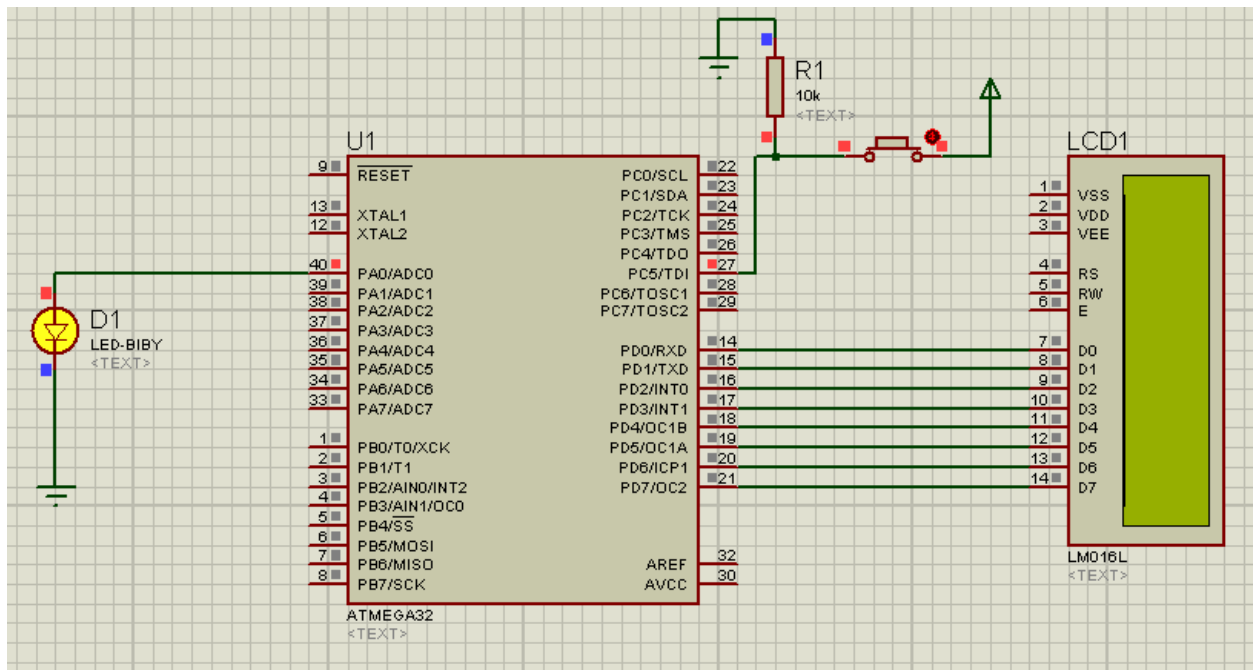
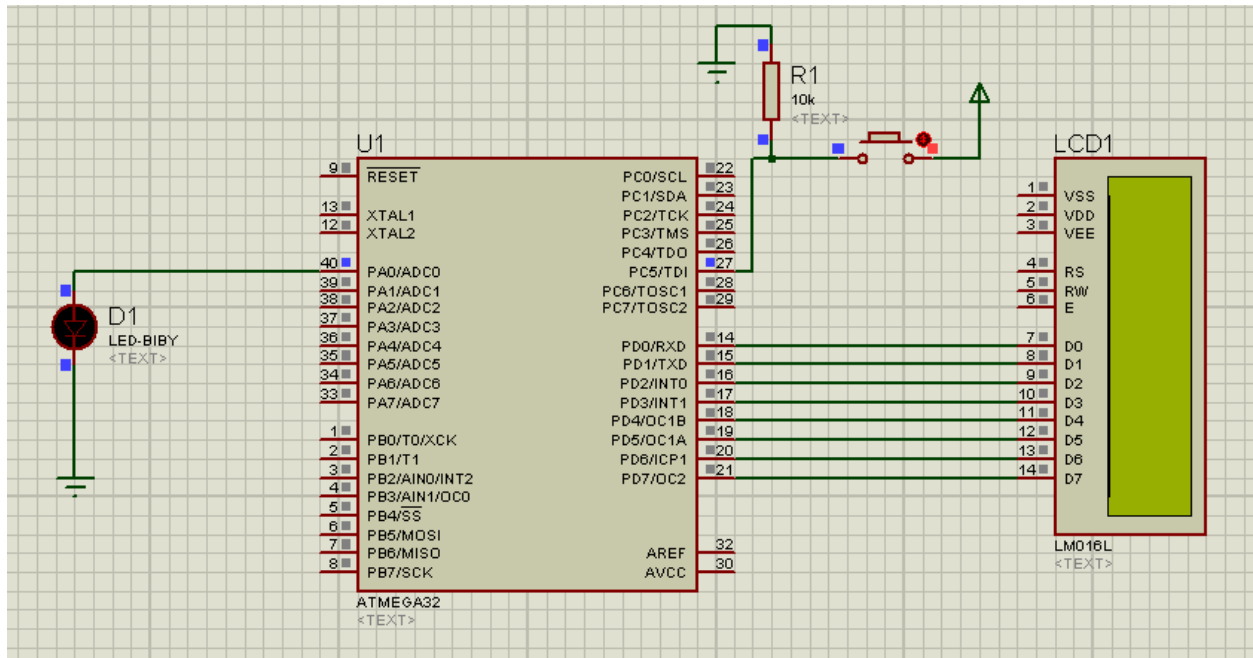
powerful instructions in a single clock cycle, the device achieves throughputs approaching 1 MIPS per MHz, balancing power consumption and processing speed.

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## Solution

**Proteus Scheme** Let's take a look on this scheme. So we have Microcontroller **ATMEGA32** This microcontroller is composed from 4 ports each of thie have 8 pins.

1. First we connect LED. In the code source I set PORT A pin 1 for LED output.We set up PORT A for led
2. Create function for LedON and LedOff
3. Set PORT C pin 5 for button
4. Create functions for button pushed and not pushed



## <stdio>(stdio.h) reference

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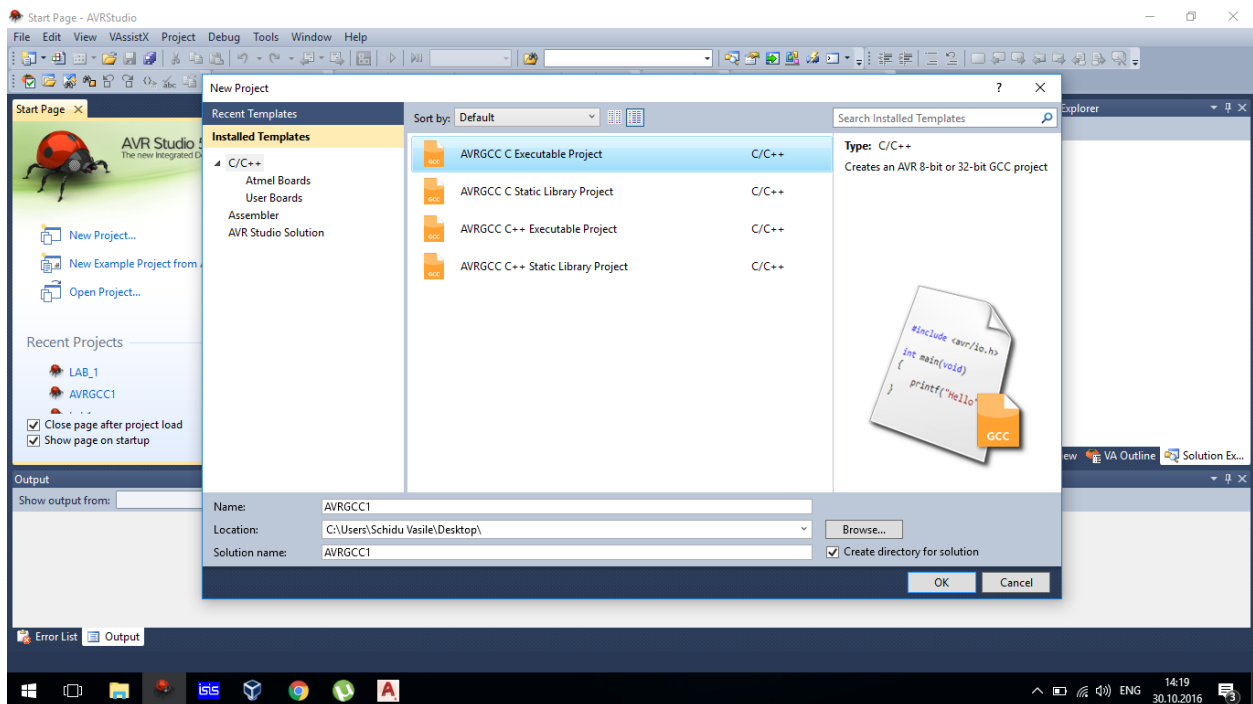
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There also exist three standard streams: `stdin`, `stdout` and `stderr`, which are automatically created and opened for all programs using the library.

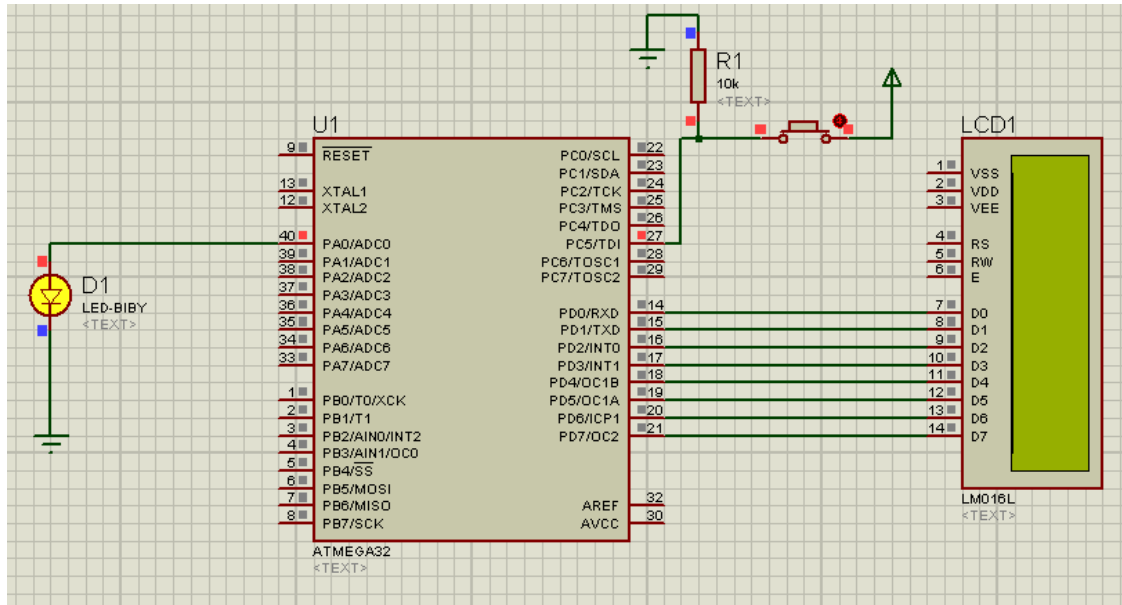
## Create your very first project in Atmel Studio

- The First screen shown up after the AS5 has started is the Start Page. The start page helps you quickly create a new project or load your previous project without wasting much time.  
File → New Project → GCC C executable → ATmega32 microcontroller



We want just to display a count variable in the terminal

- Create a `main.c` file compile it and see if everything works properly
- Next create `uartstdio.c` and `uart_stdio.h` file, where we created functions `uart_stdio_Init()`, `uart_stdio_PutChar()`.



## Conclusion

By completing this project, I have gained a basic understanding of about microcontrollers. I understand how it works, also I got familiar with AVR Studio and Proteus ISIS. I created a driver for communication with the terminal, and made a couple of basic functions for the terminal such as initialisation and putChar;