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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

In this experiment, 16x2 Dot-matrix LCD display and a random generator is implemented. While doing this implementation, experience and knowledge from old experiments are used. Also given informations and codes are used to understand how manipulating LCD display via using MSP430G2553 microcontroller.

#### 2 MATERIALS AND METHODS

This experiment is conducted via using MSP430G2553 microprocessor. This microprocessor is programmed using Code Composer Studio according to desired tasks on the experiment handout. During coding below sources are used:

- MSP430 Education Board Manual [1]
- MSP430 Architecture Chapter 4 [2]
- MSP430 Instruction Set [3]
- Supplementary Chapter 6 General Purpose [?]
- MSP430 User Guide Chapter 8 [?]

#### 2.1 Part 1

In the first part of the experiment, the team was asked to implement a print function which uses char arrays (See Figure 2.1) as inputs and show them on the LCD display. Also while displaying this array, it is asked that \n and \0 characters should be interpreted and create outputs according to these interpretations. (See Figure 1).



Figure 1: Display on the 16x2 lcd asked string

```
.data
string .byte "ITU_-_Comp._Eng.",ODh,"MC_Lab._2019",OOh
```

Figure 2: String asked to display on the LCD

To display and manipulate values on the LCD display, some configurations should be made. In these experiments, aforementioned configurations are already given to the team and the code for only to send data and display string on the LCD was asked. Given subroutines are listed below and the codes of these subroutines are not included in the report. In this report, only the parts of the code that are written by the team are included.

- 1. initLCD
- 2. sendCMD
- 3. sendDATA (This part was edited by the team)
- 4. delay
- 5. trigerEN

Let us go through the code and analyze the implementation.

- Line 1: Address of string is moved to R10.
- Line 2-3: Controlling whether end of the line for current char. If the current element is '0dh' jump to execute newline subroutine.
- Line 4-5: Controlling whether end of the sequence for current char. If the current element is '00h' jump to execute endseq subroutine.
- Line 6-7: Moving char value on the R10 register to R5 for SendData subroutine and calling these subroutine.
- Line 8-9: Delay for sending data to LCD.
- Line 10-11: Incrementing R10 to process next char in the string array and jumping to beginning of the loop to process it.
- Line 13: Point to next character in the array.
- Line 14-15: Load the command for newline in R5 and send it.

- Line 16-18: Wait for the execution of newline operation, then return back to main loop.
- Line 20: Ends the sequence by jumping to infinite loop stop.
- Line 22: Puts the device in write mode so device is ready for receiving data.
- Line 23-30: Sends the upper nibble first then shifts the data 4 times and sends the second nibble.
- Line 31-32: Puts the device in read mode since no more data will be sent in the given function. Then returns from subroutine.
- Line 34-36: Infinite stop loop. Calls itself every 100 microseconds.

```
R10
                     mov.w #string,
                               #0dh,
                                        0(R10)
  loop
                     cmp.b
2
                               newline
                     jz
3
                               #00h,
                     cmp.b
                                        0(R10)
4
                     jz
                               endseq
                               @R10, R5
                     mov.b
6
                               #SendData
                     call
                               &Delay100us, R15
                     mov
8
                     call
                               #Delay
9
                               #01b,
                                        R10
                     add.w
10
                     jmp loop
  newline
                     add.w
                               #01b,
                                        R10
13
                               #011000000b, R5
                     mov.b
14
                               #SendCMD
                     call
                     mov
                               &Delay100us, R15
16
                               #Delay
                     call
17
                     jmp
                                        loop
18
19
  endseq
                     jmp stop
20
  SendData
                     bis.b #080h,
                                      &P20UT
22
                     mov.b R5, &P10UT
23
                     call #TrigEn
24
                     rla R5
25
                     rla R5
26
                     rla R5
                     rla R5
                     mov.b R5, &P10UT
29
                     call #TrigEn
30
                               #080h,
                     bic.b
                                        &P20UT
31
                     ret
32
33
  stop
                     mov.b
                               &Delay100us,
                                                  R15
34
                     call #Delay
                     jmp stop
36
```

Figure 3: Sending Data to the LCD Display - Part 1

#### 2.2 Part 2

In this part, a random generator is implemented and generated values are displayed on the 16x2 LCD dot display.

To accomplish this task the parts added or modified can be explained as following.

- Line 6: Rather ending the sequence when 00h character received, program jumps to subroutine called *writenumber* which will print the number on the LCD display.
- Line 89-120: In the interrupt service routine, following calculations are made to obtain a random number on R9. R11 holds the seed value, R13 is x and R10 = w.
- Line 91-96: Taking square of the x is done by calling multiplication subroutine by giving parameters as x and x again. Which returns  $x^2$ .

$$x = square(x)$$

- Line 98-100: x = x + (w = w + s) is implemented by these lines. It sums the corresponding registers in order to obtain x value.
- Line 101-110: r = (x >> 4)|(x << 4) is calculated by using a temporary register R6 which was pushed to stack at the beginning of the interrupt service routine.
- Line 113: Increasing seed which is not an ideal thing to be done in order to obtain random numbers.
- Line 115: Sets R12. This register is checked in the stop sequence. If a new number comes system start to write to the LCD all over again.
- Line 117-120: Popping temporary register to its previous value and returning from interrupt.
- Line 22-56: In order to print the random number in R9, every digit has to be converted to character at first. This is done as following:
  - Line 23-28: Finding hundreds digit by dividing R9 by 100. Result is going to be hold on R7.
  - Line 30-43: Tens digit is found by the formula given below. This value is then loeaded to R7:

$$TensDigit = RandomNumber/10 - HundredsDigit \times 10$$

- Line 44-54: Units digit is found by the same way, then it is stored inside R8.  $UnitsDigit = RandomNumber - HunderdsDigit \times 100 - TensDigit \times 10$ 

- Line 54-56: The numbers of every digit is found but these numbers have to be converted to char from int. Since LCD display uses ASCII, 48 which is the value of ASCII 0 is added to every register. This ensures all registers will have corresponding char values to be printed.
- Line 57-68: Digit by digit all numbers printed on the screen
- Line 72-82: Enables RS which allows data transmission. R5 is loaded with the data then LCD Display is triggered. Which takes upper nibble then lower. R5 shifted towards left in order to send lower nibble to LCD display, which only reads from  $7^{th} 4^{th}$  bits of P1OUT.

```
;r10= address pointer
                              #string,
                                                 R10
                     mov.w
2
                               #0dh,
                                        0(R10)
  loop
                     cmp.b
3
                               newline
                     jz
4
                               #00h,
                                        0(R10)
                     cmp.b
                               writenumber
6
                     jΖ
                               @R10, R5
                     mov.b
                     call
                              #SendData
8
                              &Delay100us, R15
                     mov
9
                     call
                              #Delay
10
                     add.w
                               #01b,
                                        R10
                               loop
                     jmp
13
  newline
                     add.w
                              #01b,
                                        R10
14
                               #011000000b, R5
                     mov.b
                               #SendCMD
                     call
16
                     mov &Delay100us, R15
17
                               #Delay
                     call
18
                               loop
                     jmp
19
20
   ; R9 = incoming generated number R10 = temporary
21
   writenumber
                     ; Find hundreds digit
22
                     sub.w
                               #02h,
                                        sp
23
                               #100d
                     push
24
                               r9
                     push
25
                              #Div_func
                     call
26
                     add.w
                              #04h,
                                        sp
27
                     pop
                               r6
29
```

Figure 4: Code 1/4 - Part 2

```
; Find tens digit
30
                       sub.w
                                 #02h,
                                           sp
31
                                 #10d
                       push
32
                       push
                                 r9
                                 #Div_func
                       call
34
                                 #04h,
35
                       add.w
                                           sp
                                 r7
                       pop
36
                       sub.w
                                 #02h,
                                           sp
37
                                 #10d
                       push
38
                       push
                                 r6
39
                                 #Mul_func
                       call
40
                       add.w
                                 #04h,
                                           sp
41
                                 r10
                       pop
42
                                 r10,
                       sub.b
                                           r7
43
                       ; Find units digit
44
                       add.b
                                 r7,
                                                     r10
45
                                 #02h,
                       sub.w
46
                                           sp
                       push
                                 #10d
47
                       push
                                 r10
48
                                 #Mul_func
                       call
49
                       add.w
                                 #04h,
                                           sp
50
                                 r10
                       pop
                                           r9
                       sub.b
                                 r10,
                                                     r8
                       mov.b
                                 r9,
                                 #048d, R6
                       add.b
54
                       add.b
                                 #048d, R7
                       add.b
                                 #048d, R8
56
                                 R6, R5
                       mov.b
57
                       call
                                 #SendData
58
                                 &Delay100us, R15
                       mov
                       call
                                 #Delay
60
                                 R7, R5
                       mov.b
61
                                 #SendData
                       call
                       mov
                                 &Delay100us, R15
63
                       call
                                 #Delay
64
                                 R8, R5
                       mov.b
65
                                 #SendData
                       call
66
                                 &Delay100us, R15
                       mov
67
                                 #Delay
                       call
68
69
```

```
mov.b
                                #000h,
                                         &P2DIR
70
                      jmp
                                          stop
71
   {\tt SendData}
                      bis.b #080h,
                                       &P20UT
72
                      mov.b R5, &P10UT
73
                      call #TrigEn
74
                      rla R5
75
                      rla R5
76
                      rla R5
77
                      rla R5
                      mov.b R5, &P10UT
79
                      call
                                #TrigEn
80
                                #080h,
                      bic.b
                                         &P20UT
81
                      ret
                              &Delay100us,
   stop
                      mov.b
                                                   R15
83
                               #Delay
                      call
84
                                #01h,
                      cmp.b
                                         r12
85
                                          {\tt InitLCD}
                      jz
                      jmp
                                stop
87
88
```

Figure 6: Code 3/4 - Part 2

```
ISR
                      {\tt dint}
89
                         push
                                   r6
90
                         sub.w
                                   #02h,
                                              sp
91
                         push
                                   r13
92
                                   r13
                         push
93
                                   #Mul_func
                         call
94
                         add.w
                                   #04h,
                                              sp
95
                         pop
                                   r13
96
97
                                   r11,
                         add.b
                                              r14
98
                         add.b
                                   r14,
                                              r13
99
                         mov.b
                                   r13,
                                              r9
100
                         rra.b
                                   r9
101
                                   r9
                         rra.b
102
                                   r9
                         rra.b
                         rra.b
                                   r9
104
                         mov.b
                                   r13,
                                              r6
                         rla.b
                                   r6
106
                         rla.b
                                   r6
107
                         rla.b
                                   r6
108
                         rla.b
                                   r6
109
                         bis.b
                                   r6,
                                              r9
110
111
                         ; Change seed
112
                         add.b
                                   #01h,
                                              r11
113
                         ; I was in an interrupt flag
114
                         mov.b
                                   #01h,
                                              r12
115
116
                         pop
                                   r6
117
                                   &P2IFG
                         clr
118
                         eint
119
120
                         reti
121
122
```

Figure 7: Code 4/4 - Part 2

#### 3 RESULTS

At the end of the first task, the team is succeeded in displaying given string array on the LCD display(See Figure 1. That was observed written assembly code can interpret end of the line and end of the sequence characters successfully.

At the end of the second task of the experiment, the team is succeeded in generating random numbers and displaying them on the LCD display. To generate random numbers 'Middle Square Weyl Sequence' approach (that was mentioned in the methodology part) are used. End of the implementation, pressing P2.5 button generates a random number between 0 and 128 and shows it on the 16x2 LCD display.

#### 4 DISCUSSION

The most important point in the first part was how to interpret the end of the new line and end of the sequence. The team is succeeded in that controlling every character of the string array, and to get whether it is '0dh(new line)' or '00h(end of the sequence)' or regular character. If it is new line character the program executes newline subroutine. This subroutine moves cursor to the beginning of the second line. End of this subroutine program is continues to controlling and processing other characters on the string. If the character is end of the sequence character the program executes endseq subroutine. This subroutine stops the controlling characters entering endless stop cycle. If the character is regular character, the ASCII character are send to LCD display as binary. First of all lower nibble of the character and then upper nibble of these 8-bit character are sent to LCD display. Because the LCD is configured to use it 4-bit mode. When the character send to LCD, the program continues controlling other characters and processing them as above.

In the second part of the experiment, to respond button press interrupt service routine are used from old experiments. Also, an algorithm to generate random numbers are given to the team before the experiment. The team easily implemented this algorithm that mentioned in the method part in detail. Also, the subroutines for the arithmetic operations are used from old experiments.

#### 5 CONCLUSION

As always, the team has successfully completed all tasks. At the end of the experiment, the team has learnt manipulating and displaying somethings on the 16x2 LCD Display via using MSP430G2553. Also, gains more experiences how use interrupts to respond

button press.

The team is completed all experiments successfully. All the experiments helped to be more confident how assembly code are written and how MSP430G2553 microcontroller used.

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