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PROJECT REPORT ON

8-BIT BINARY UP DOWN COUNTER

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AIM

To design and implement an 8-Bit Binary Up/Down Counter on 8051 microcontroller using LED interfacing and simulate the design using Edsim51

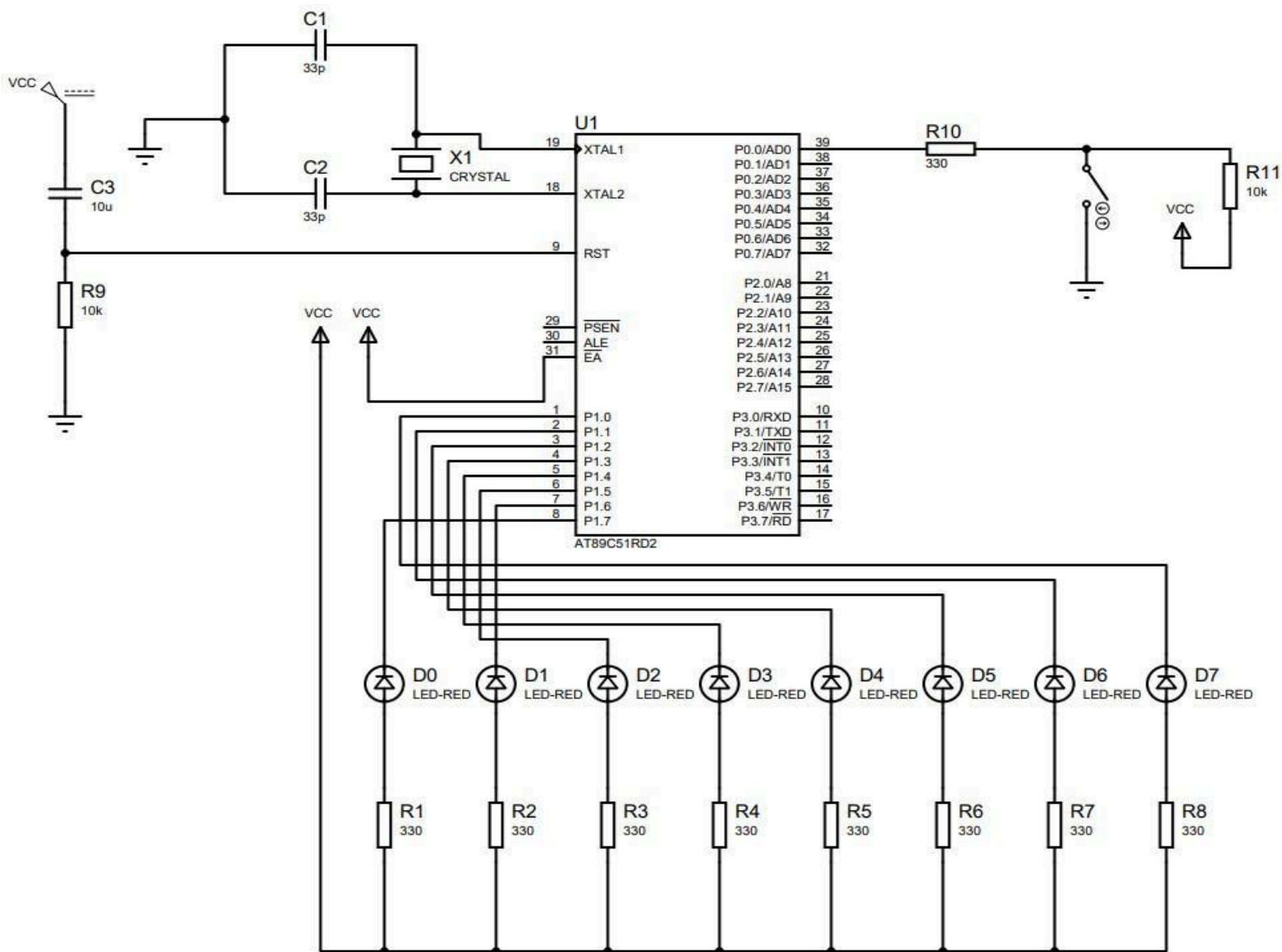
INTRODUCTION

A binary counter is a hardware circuit that is made out of a series of flip-flops. The output of one flip-flop is sent to the input of the next flip-flop in the series. Counters are used in many different applications these days.

Some count up from zero and provide a change in state of output upon reaching a predetermined value; others count down from a preset value to zero to provide an output state change. However, some counters can operate in both up and down count mode, depending on the state of an up/down count mode input pin.

A Binary Up/Down counter is a bidirectional counter capable of counting in either the up direction or the down direction. In this project, we have designed an 8-bit up/down counter which counts from 0 to 255 as an up counter and vice versa. LED interfacing is used to implement the counter.

A push button switch is provided to decide whether to count up or down. The counter counts up when the button is pushed and vice versa.



COMPONENTS REQUIRED

- **AT89C51 Microcontroller:** The AT89C51 is an age old 8-bit microcontroller from the Atmel family. It works with the popular 8051 architecture and hence is used by most beginners till date. It is a 40 pin IC package with 4Kb flash memory. It has four ports and all together provide 32 Programmable GPIO pins.
- **8 LEDs:** A light-emitting diode (LED) is a semiconductor light source that emits light when current flows through it. Electrons in the semiconductor recombine with electron holes, releasing energy in the form of photons. It is a two terminal device (anode & cathode) used heavily in electronics & automotive industries.
- **8 Resistors:** Resistors are used to limit the current flowing through the LEDs in order to prevent them from damage.
- **Power Supply (V):** A dc power supply is provided to the LED interface and the microcontroller.
- **8051 Programmer:** Edsim51 with Assembly language programming is used for the project.
- **Push Button Switch:** Push button switches are widely used in embedded system projects and the knowledge about interfacing them to 8051 is very essential in designing such projects. A typical push button switch has two active terminals that are normally open and these two terminals get internally shorted when the push button is depressed.

WORKING

PUSH BUTTON INTERFACING:

Push button switch is connected to the first bit of PORT 0 (**P0.0**) which is configured as an input pin. Which is connected to a pull up resistor as there is no internal pull up resistors for port P0. Thus P0.0 pin is at Vcc potential when the switch is not pressed. When the switch is pressed this pin P0.0 will be grounded.

Pushing the button makes the counter function as Up counter and the counter counts down when not pressed.

LED INTERFACING:

To use an LED as the output device, LED should be connected to Microcontroller port and the Microcontroller has to be programmed inside to make LED ON/OFF. In 8051 we are connecting LEDs to port P1 of microcontroller.

The anodes of all LEDs are connected to the power supply and the cathodes are connected to the P1 port pins. Hence common anode connection of LEDs is used.

The LED glows only when port pin value of microcontroller is low(0). When the port value is low, the LED is forward biased and hence current flows through the LED resulting in the glow. This is called current sinking of LED.

Initially port P1 value is set to FF and hence all the LEDs are turned off. Change in P1 pins values from 1 to 0 results in LEDs turning ON and vice versa.

The resistors connected limit the current flowing and prevent the LEDs and microcontroller from damage.

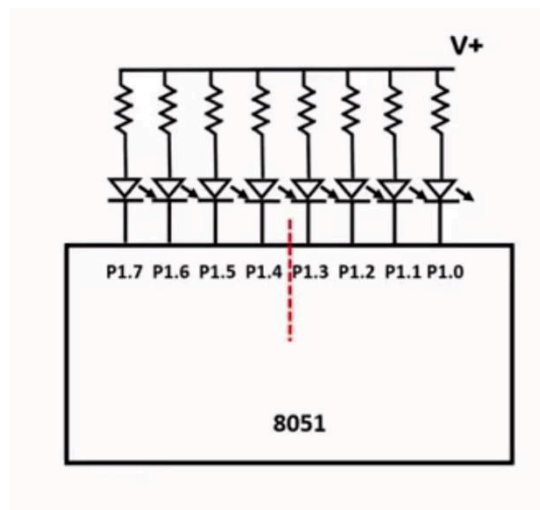


Fig 1. 8051 LED Schematics

UP COUNTER:

The upcounter functions when pin value of P0.0 is logic low (0). The value of accumulator (A) is initially set to FF so that all LEDs are turned OFF. The contents of A is decremented for the counter to count up. The counter counts from 0 to 255. CJNE function checks whether the value of A is 0 and the counter runs until the condition is satisfied.

DOWN COUNTER:

The downcounter functions when pin value of P0.0 is logic high (1). The value of accumulator is set to 00 so that all LEDs are glowing. The counter counts from 255 to 0. For the counter to count down, the accumulator value is incremented in each clock cycle. The process goes on until the value of Accumulator is FF.

DELAY:

Loops are used to generate delay between consecutive LED blinking. The loop variable values are stored in R0 & R1 registers. The value of R0 is initially set to 80H and R1 to FFH. Delay subroutine is called in every clock cycle to increase the time between each states of the counter.

Functions used:

- DEC A: Decrement Accumulator.

- INC A: Increment Accumulator.
- ACALL: Absolute call within 2K block. ACALL unconditionally calls a subroutine located at the indicated address. The instruction increments the PC twice to obtain the address of the following instruction, then pushes the 16-bit result onto the stack and increments the stack pointer twice. The destination address is obtained by successively concatenating the five highorder bits of the incremented PC, opcode bits 7-5, and the second byte of the instruction. The subroutine called must therefore start within the same 2K block of the program memory as the first byte of the instruction following ACALL.
- CJNE: Compare and jump if not equal. CJNE compares the magnitudes of the first two operands and branches if their values are not equal. The carry flag is set if the unsigned integer value of <dest-byte> is less than the unsigned integer value of <src-byte>; otherwise the carry is cleared. Neither operand is affected.
- SJMP: Short jump. Program control branches unconditionally to the address indicated.
- DJNZ: Decrement and Jump if Not Zero. DJNZ decrements the location indicated by 1, and branches to the address indicated by the second operand if the resulting value is not zero.
- RET: Return from subroutine.

Subroutines used:

- Start: For getting input from switch.
- Up: Functions as up counter.
- Repeat1: Loop for counting up.
- Down: Functions as down counter.
- Repeat2: Loop for counting down.
- Delay: For generating delay using two loops.

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CODE

Org 00H

Start:	Mov P0,#0FFh	;Making P0 as input port
	Acall Delay	;Call Delay
	Mov A,P0	;Getting switch value

CJNE A,#00H,Down

SJMP Up

Up: Mov A,#0FFh ;Data
 Mov P1,A ; Output Data to LEDs
 Acall Delay

Repeat1: ;Count Up
 Dec A ;Decrement A by one
 Mov P1,A ;Output Data to LEDs
 Acall Delay
 CJNE A,#00H,Repeat1
 SJMP Start

Down: Mov A,#00H
 Mov P1,A
 Acall Delay

Repeat2: ;Count Down
 Inc A ;Increment A by one
 Mov P1,A ;Output Data to LEDs
 Acall Delay
 CJNE A,#0FFH,Repeat2
 SJMP Start ;Repeat

Delay: Mov R0,#80h ;Outer Loop
Again: Mov R1,#0FFh ;Inner Loop
Here: DJNZ R1,Here ;jump if R1 not 0
 DJNZ R0,Again ;jump if R0 not 0
 Ret
 End

CONCLUSION

Designed an 8-bit binary up down counter using LED interface on 8051 and simulated the design on Edsim51. Learned about the internal architecture and components of AT89C51 8051 microcontroller.

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