

EE447 Introduction to Microprocessors

Laboratory-2 Preliminary Work

Question-1

Write a subroutine, DELAY150, that causes approximately 150 msec delay upon calling.

For the DELAY150 subroutine, we have utilized the following section of code with a main code down below.

```
AREA          main, READONLY, CODE
THUMB
EXTERN      __delay      ; Make available
EXPORT      __main      ; Make available

__main
    MOV32    R1, #225000
    BL       __delay

ALIGN
END

//Subroutine

AREA          delay, READONLY, CODE
THUMB
EXPORT      __delay      ; Make available

__delay
loop1m
    NOP
    NOP
    SUB      R1,R1,#1
    CMP      R1,#0
    BEQ      finish
    B        loop1m

finish
    BX LR

ALIGN
END
```

In the main code, we have a counter value kept in the memory address located in R11 which was initially set to 2×10^6 . Then, from the toolbar, we have seen that the delay obtained with this counter value is approximately 1300 msec (1.3sec). We have also observed that the following time delays have x-x-x-x-3x proportionality among them. Therefore, at the end, 8x equals 1.3sec. With this logic, from a direct proportionality, we obtained that the counter should be set to 225000 to have 150 msec delay. The exact calculations can be found down below. The result with 150 msec delay can be found in Figure 1.

When the counter value is 2×10^6 , we observed 1.3 sec delay. This was a try-out to figure out the value we must set our counter to have 150 msec delay.

counter	time delay
2×10^6	1333 msec
?	150 msec

$5x + y = 8x$; $y = 3x$

$? = \frac{150 \times 2 \times 10^6}{1333} \Rightarrow 225000$
= initial value of the counter =

```
AREA          delay, READONLY, CODE
THUMB
EXPORT      __delay      ; Make available

__delay
loop1m
    X { NOP
    X { NOP
    X { SUB      R1,R1,#1
    X { CMP      R1,#0
    X { BEQ      finish
    3x { B        loop1m

finish
    BX LR

ALIGN
END
```

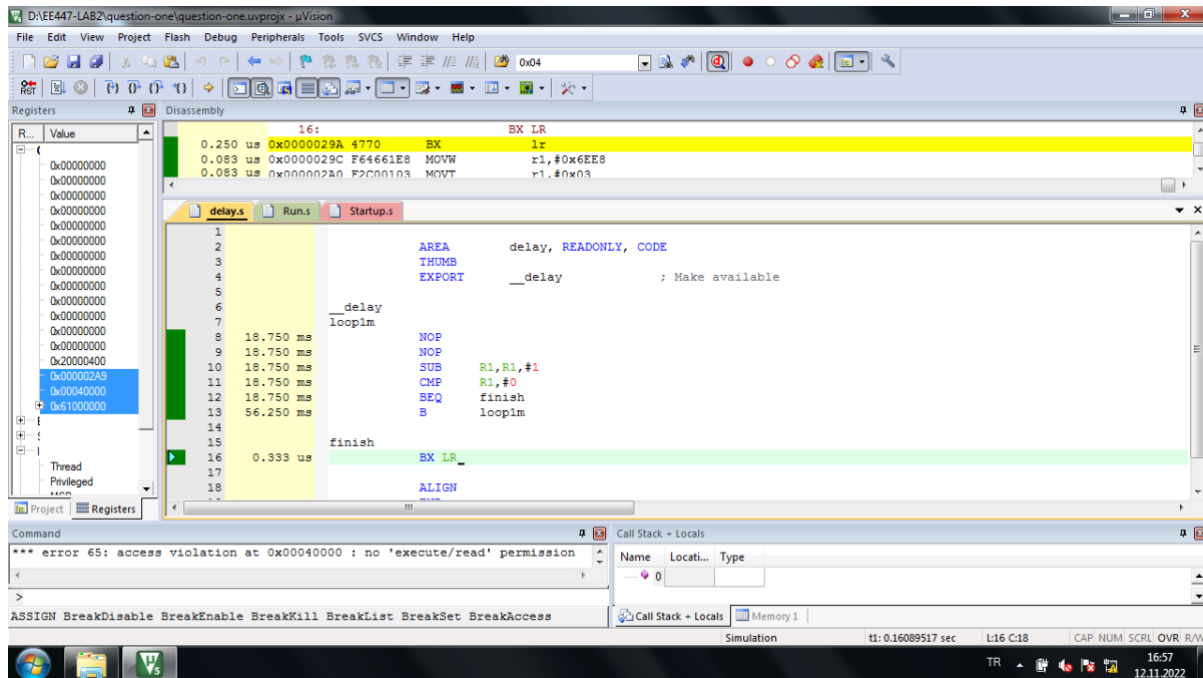


Figure 1: DELAY150 (delay.s) Subroutine with 150 msec time delay

Question-2

Write a program for a simple data transfer scheme. You are required to take inputs from push buttons and reflect the status of the buttons to the LEDs that are connected to the output port for approximately every 3 seconds. Namely, an input should be read for every 3 seconds and the status of that reading should remain at the output until the next reading. The status of a pressed button is 1 and the status of a released button is 0. You should use low nibble of Port B (B_3 to B_0) for outputs, and high nibble of Port B (B_7 to B_4) for inputs.

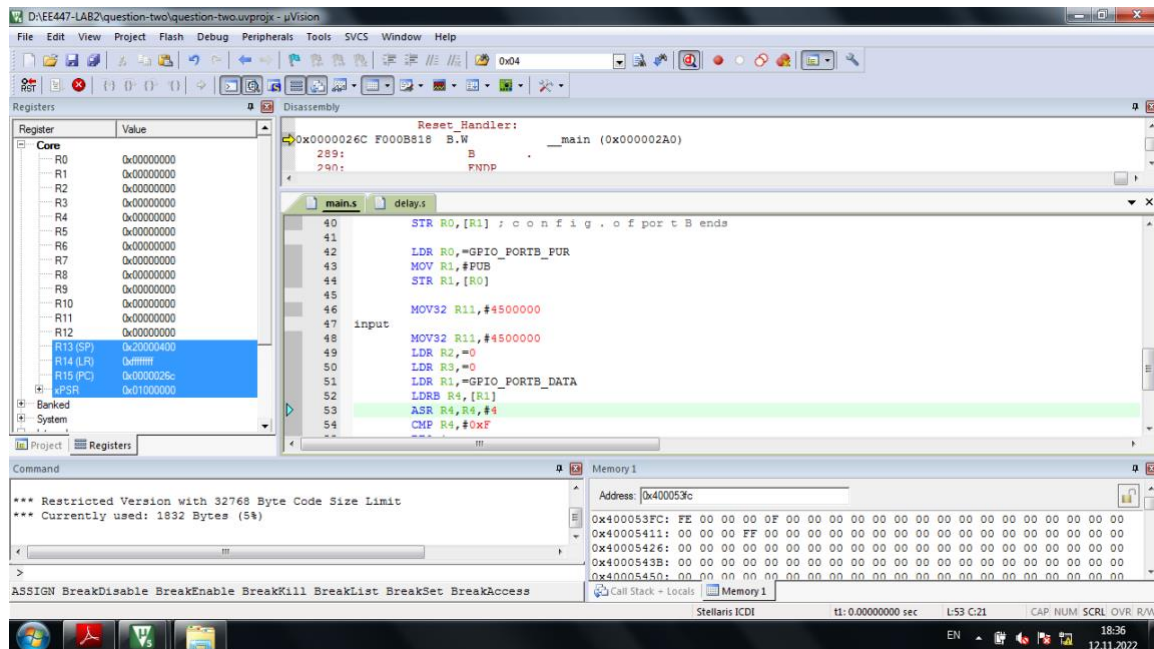


Figure 2: Input taking from the keyboard and showing on the LEDs , 3sec delay

Please refer to [this video](#) to see our working code results.

Question-3

Consider the interface of the 4x4 keypad introduced in Section 2. You are required to write a program that continuously detects which key is pressed and outputs the ID of the key through Termite Window after the key is released. The IDs can be sequential numbers. For instance, the ID of the key at row 1 and column 1 can be 0 and the key at row 4 and column 4 can be F (0:F total 16 IDs). You may assume that only one key is to be pressed at a time and no other key can be pressed before releasing a key. Your program should be robust to possible bouncing effect during both pressing and releasing. Please attempt this problem by answering the following items:

- a. How can you detect whether any key is pressed?

When any key is pressed, using the algorithm we developed in the second question, we observe that the value stored in R5 (right shifted value showing the column entry) is always 0xF. Therefore, it is known that any key is pressed when this value is different than 0xF. By using the following section of code, we compare the value taken from the buttons (Port B) with 0xF.

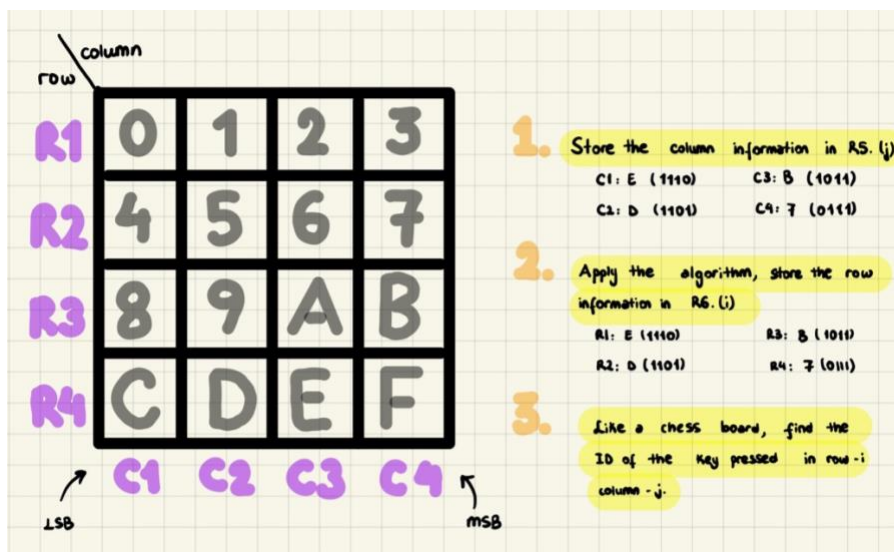
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CMP R5, #0xF
BEQ input //Go and check again
```

- b. How can you detect whether a pressed key is released?

With the same logic we applied in part-a i.e. to detect whether any key is pressed or not, now we check if the row value kept in R6 is rather different than 0xF or not. If so, we realize that the pressed key is released. Thus, before putting a new value on Termite, we need to print the current one. Therefore, the loop is sent to print. From the question description, it is suitable to print the ID of the pressed key once it is released.

- c. Assuming that you have detected that a key is pressed. Explain your algorithm to determine which one is pressed.

Firstly, we determine the column to which the pressed key belongs to. This value is then stored in R5. Then, we check the output observed in the columns by applying different row inputs. Each time, one of the rows is connected to the ground (i.e. set to 0) with the help of the pull down resistors. Then, if the output observed in the columns is different from 0xF (i.e. we reach the corresponding column), we have the exact address of the pressed key. These addresses kept in R4 and are determined as follows:



- d. Discuss what can happen due to bouncing. How can you avoid bouncing effects?

Due to bouncing, in fact, we observed some unwanted behavior in our code before applying the delay. The fact about bouncing is that if for some reason one key is pressed mistakenly before or after pressing the wanted key, there can be unwanted outputs in the termite. To avoid this behavior, we have used 50 msec of delay (with counter set to 75000) after taking the column information and also when we check whether a key is released or not. In other words, bouncing can affect the working conditions when the key is pressed or released. The main principle in applying 50 msec delay to avoid bouncing effects is to compare the values taken from R1 (port-B) with 50msec of time difference. These values are stored in other register to be used in the compare operation. You can check the below section of code for this comparison.

```
;Key is pressed, bouncing check

LDR R1,=GPIO_PORTB_DATA
LDRB R4,[R1]
ASR R3,R4,#4 ; R5 Column

BL __delay

LDR R1,=GPIO_PORTB_DATA
LDRB R4,[R1]
ASR R5,R4,#4 ; R5 Column

CMP R3, R5
BNE input ;Return to the input loop! You have
bouncing and you need to have another input from the port.
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; Checking bouncing after the key is released
SUB R6, R2,#0xF0 ;row
MOV32 R11,#75000

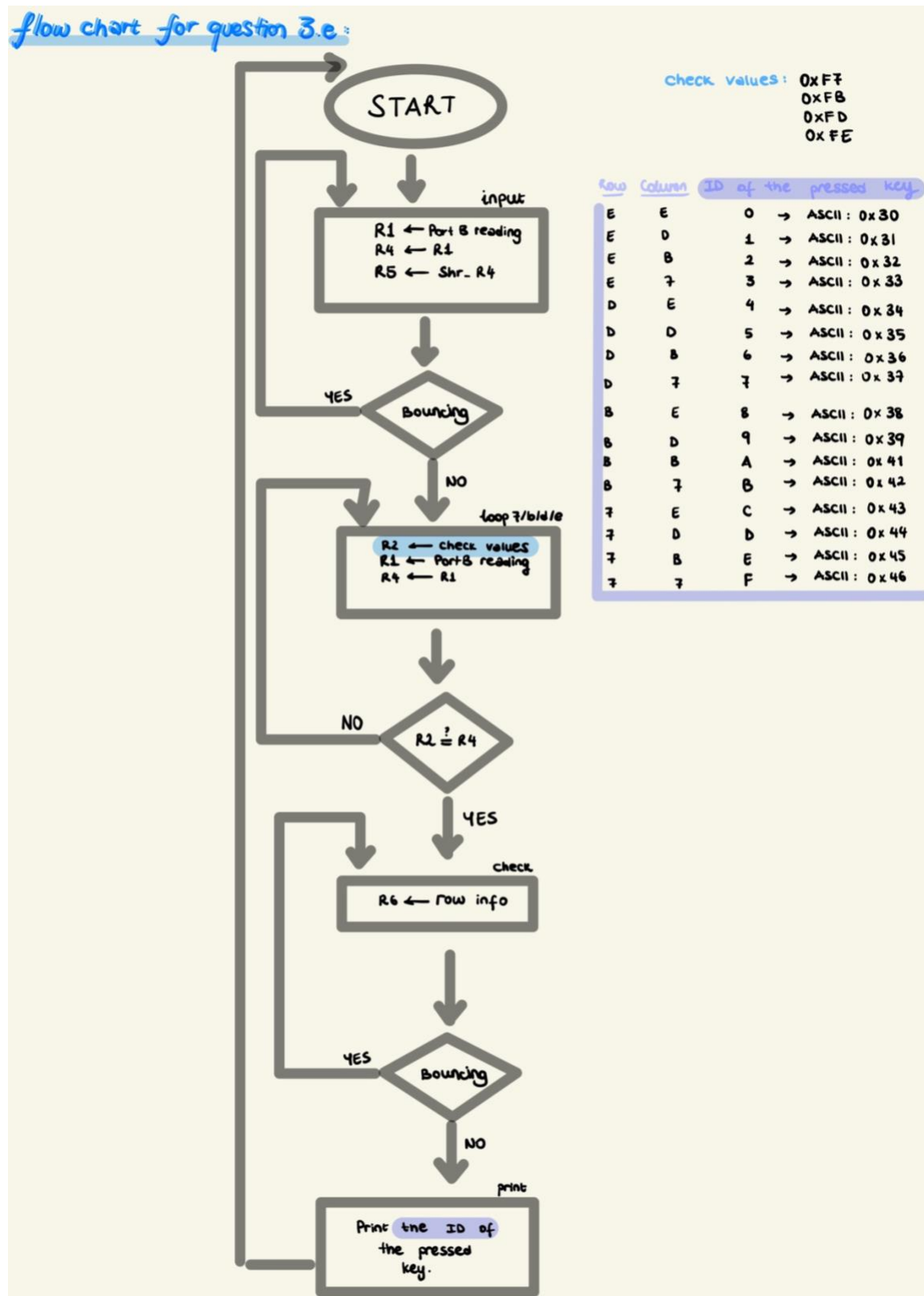
LDR R1,=GPIO_PORTB_DATA
LDRB R8,[R1]
ASR R8,R8,#4 ; R5 Column

BL __delay

LDR R1,=GPIO_PORTB_DATA
LDRB R9,[R1]
ASR R9,R9,#4 ; R5 Column

CMP R8,R9
BNE check ;Return to the check loop, you have
bouncing!
```

e. Now, develop your overall end-to-end algorithm that outputs ID of the pressed key to the terminal window and draw its flow chart.



f. Implement the developed algorithm in part-e by using assembly language.

The algorithm is implemented. The result can be checked from Figure 3.

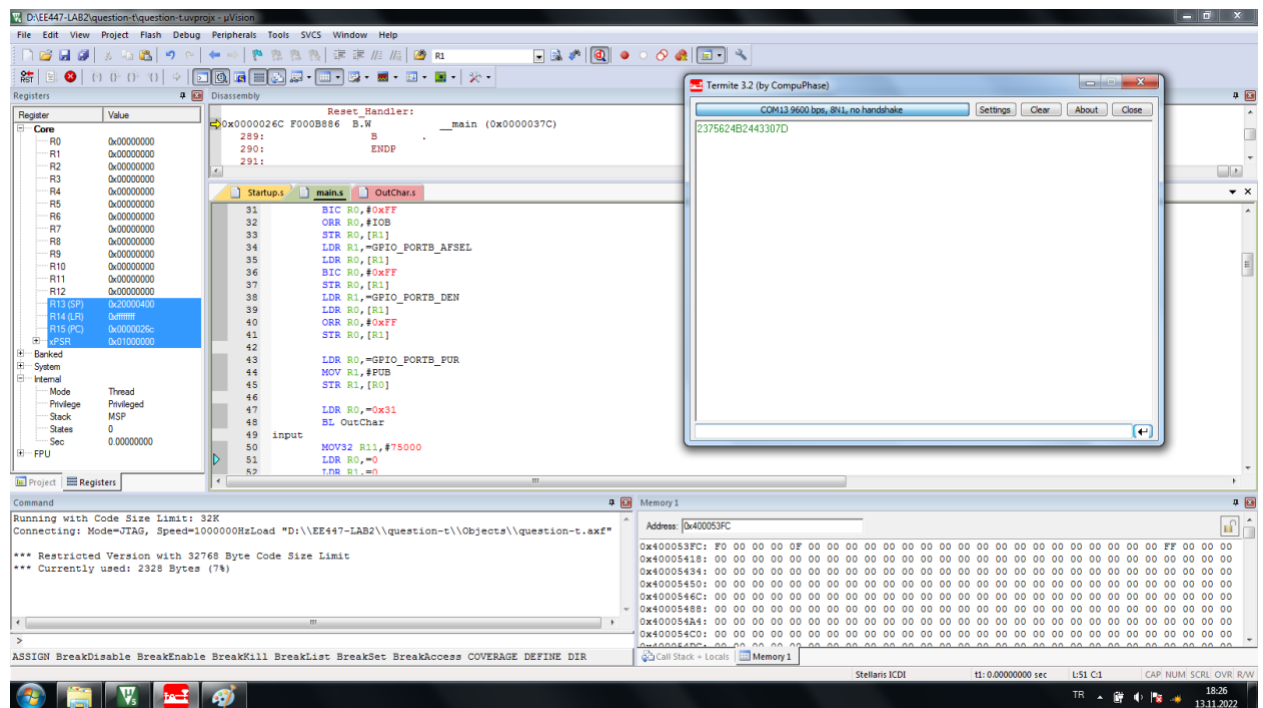


Figure 3: The result of the algorithm printing the ID of the pressed key