

Demonstration of one way to create a clock in Arduino

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#include "ClockBasics.h" // Header that sets up the Clock

// ClockTimer
#define CLOCK_INTERVAL 1000
unsigned long ClockTimer;

// Simple timer to flash LED.
#define LED_INTERVAL 500
unsigned long LedTimer;

// Run once, To set up system
void setup()
{
    // Initialize LED timer and pin
    LedTimer = millis();
    pinMode(13, OUTPUT);

    // Serial Com.
    Serial.begin(9600);

    // Set up clock
    ClockTimer = millis();
    Hours = 23;
    Minutes = 59;
    Seconds = 55;
} // End of setup

// Code that is run continuously.
void loop()
{
    // LED Flashing Timer.
    if (millis() - LedTimer >= LED_INTERVAL)
    {
        // Toggle LED.
        if (digitalRead(13))
        {
            digitalWrite(13, LOW);
        }
        else
        {
            digitalWrite(13, HIGH);
        } // End of toggle

        LedTimer += LED_INTERVAL; // Update Timer.
    } // End of Led Timer.

    // Check for one second to update clock
    if (millis() - ClockTimer >= CLOCK_INTERVAL)
    {
        UpdateClock(); // move clock ahead one second.
        SendClock();   // send to serial monitor.
        ClockTimer += CLOCK_INTERVAL; //UPDATE TIMER
    }

    // Check for incoming serial data.
    if (Serial.available())
    {
        // Use incoming character to set clock.
        SettingClock(Serial.read());
    } // End of Serial available if
} // End of loop
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Header file ClockBasics.h - Posted to [“Files->CourseNotes->B_Programming->Support Code”](#)

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#ifndef ClockBasics_H
#define ClockBasics_H

// States for setting clock.
enum ClockStates { CLOCK_RUNNING, CLOCK_SET_HOURS, CLOCK_SET_MINUTES, CLOCK_SET_SECONDS };
ClockStates clockState = CLOCK_RUNNING;

// Variable used as clock value.
int Hours, Minutes, Seconds;
// This function is to be called every second to update the clock represented by the
// global variables Hours, Minutes, Seconds
void UpdateClock()
{
    // exit if clock being set.
    if (clockState != CLOCK_RUNNING)
        return;
    // Check if Seconds not at wrap point.
    if (Seconds < 59)
    {
        Seconds++; // Move seconds ahead.
    }
    else
    {
        Seconds = 0; // Reset Seconds
        // and check Minutes for wrap.
        if (Minutes < 59)
        {
            Minutes++; // Move seconds ahead.
        }
        else
        {
            Minutes = 0; // Reset Minutes
            // check Hours for wrap
            if (Hours < 23)
            {
                Hours++; // Move Hours ahead.
            }
            else
            {
                Hours = 0; // Reset Hours
            } // End of Hours test.
        } // End of Minutes test
    } // End of Seconds test
} // end of UpdateClock()
void SendClock()
{
    // Check if leading zero needs to be sent
    if (Hours < 10)
    {
        Serial.print("0");
    }
    Serial.print(Hours); // Then send hours
    Serial.print(":"); // And separator
    // Check for leading zero on Minutes.
    if (Minutes < 10)
    {
        Serial.print("0");
    }
    Serial.print(Minutes); // Then send Minutes
    Serial.print(":"); // And separator
    // Check for leading zero needed for Seconds.
    if (Seconds < 10)
    {
        Serial.print("0");
    }
    Serial.println(Seconds); // Then send Seconds
    // with new line
} // End of SendClock()
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// Function that processes incoming characters to set the clock.
void SettingClock(char Input)
{
    // interpret input based on state
    switch (clockState)
    {
    case CLOCK_RUNNING:
        if (Input == 'S')
        {
            clockState = CLOCK_SET_HOURS;
            Hours = 0;    // Reset clock values.
            Minutes = 0;
            Seconds = 0;
        }
        break;
    case CLOCK_SET_HOURS: // Setting Hours
        if (Input >= '0' && Input <= '9') // if input is digit
            Hours = 10 * (Hours % 10) + Input - '0';
        else if (Input == ':') // Move to next state
            clockState = CLOCK_SET_MINUTES;
        else if (Input == 'R') // Start clock
            clockState = CLOCK_RUNNING;
        break;
    case CLOCK_SET_MINUTES: // Setting Minutes
        if (Input >= '0' && Input <= '9') // if input is digit
            Minutes = 10 * (Minutes % 10) + Input - '0';
        else if (Input == ':') // Move to next state
            clockState = CLOCK_SET_SECONDS;
        else if (Input == 'R') // Start clock
            clockState = CLOCK_RUNNING;
        break;
    case CLOCK_SET_SECONDS: // Setting Seconds
        if (Input >= '0' && Input <= '9') // if input is digit
            Seconds = 10 * (Seconds % 10) + Input - '0';
        else if (Input == 'R') // Start clock
            clockState = CLOCK_RUNNING;
        break;

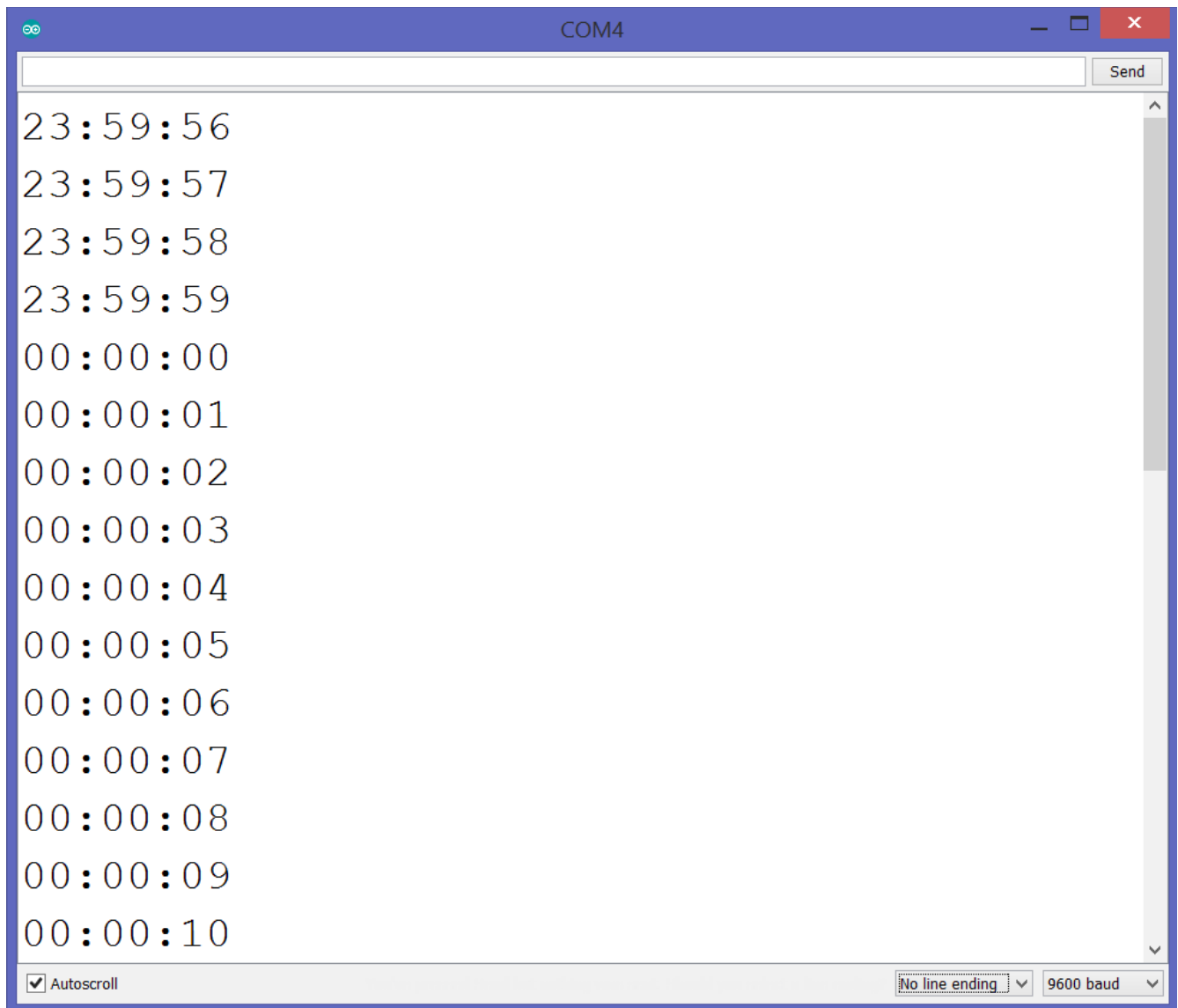
    } // End of clock mode switch.

} // End of SettingClock

#endif

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Results as shown on the Serial Monitor



The following is the State Transition Diagram for the program that sets the clock.

