Connections of 16x2 LCD with ATtiny85

1. Power Connections:

- The VSS pin of the LCD is connected to GND.
- The VDD pin of the LCD is connected to the +5V from the battery pack.
- \circ The V0 pin (Contrast Control) is connected to a 10kΩ potentiometer, with one terminal to +5V, another to GND, and the middle pin to V0.

2. Control Pins:

- The RS (Register Select) pin is connected to ATtiny85 Pin 0 (PB0).
- The RW (Read/Write) pin is directly connected to GND (always in write mode).
- The E (Enable) pin is connected to ATtiny85 Pin 1 (PB1).

3. Data Pins (4-bit Mode):

- The D4 pin of the LCD is connected to ATtiny85 Pin 2 (PB2).
- The **D5** pin is connected to **ATtiny85 Pin 3 (PB3)**.
- o The **D6** pin is connected to **ATtiny85 Pin 4 (PB4)**.
- The D7 pin is connected to ATtiny85 Pin 5 (PB5).

4. Power Source:

 The circuit is powered by a 4xAA battery pack (6V), which is regulated to 5V for the ATtiny85 and LCD.

Working Principle

1. LCD Initialization

- The LiquidCrystal library is used to initialize the LCD in 4-bit mode using the defined GPIO pins.
- The LCD is set up to display 16 columns and 2 rows.

2. Displaying Text

- The first line of the LCD prints a static message ("this is me").
- The second line prints another static message ("hello").

3. Real-Time Counter

- The millis() function is used to calculate the time elapsed since the program started.
- This value (in seconds) is displayed on the LCD next to "hello", updating every 100 milliseconds.

4. Loop Execution

- The cursor is set to a specific position in the second row before updating the counter.
- A short delay (100ms) is used to improve performance and readability.