

Lecture 11

8255 Programmable Peripheral Interface

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- 8255 Programmable Peripheral Interface
- Application Examples

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8255 Programmable Peripheral Interface Chip

- Intel 8255 is a general-purpose programmable Input/Output interfacing chip.
- Can be used for parallel I/O interfacing with many microprocessors such as Intel 8086, or with microcontrollers such as Intel 8051.
- 8255 chip has 40-pins, 24 of them are I/O pins.
- The 24 pins (I/O lines) are organized as 3 I/O ports labeled as Port A, Port B, and Port C.
- Ports are 8-bit registers.
- Port C can be divided in half, with the left four bits or the right four bits used as inputs or outputs.
- 8255 chip can be used in 3 modes of operation.
- The Control Port is used to configure the operation mode of the chip.

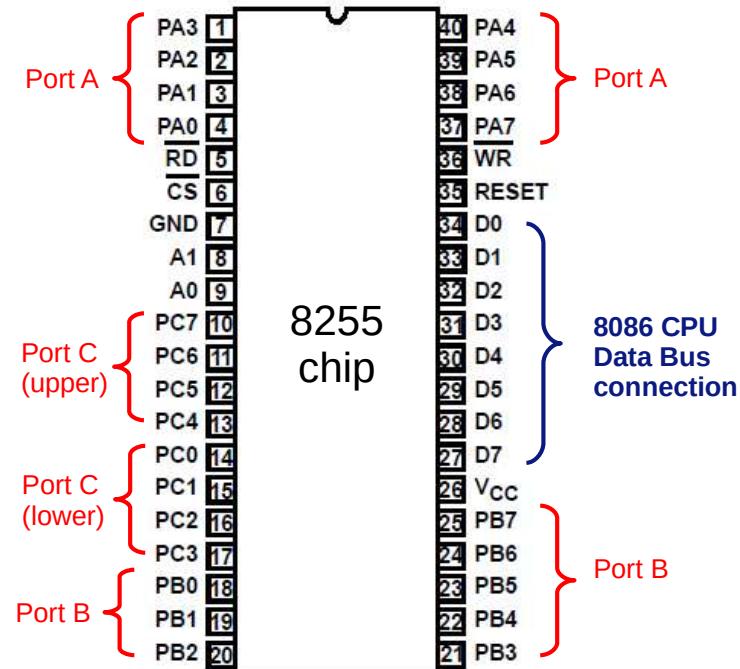
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Device examples using with 8255 interface chip

- LED interfacing
- 7-Segment LED Display device interfacing
- Switch, Button interfacing
- Matrix keypad interfacing
- Interfacing with motors
 - DC motor
 - Stepper motor
 - Servo motor
- Interfacing with A/D converter (Analog to Digital)
- Interfacing with D/A converter (Digital to Analog)

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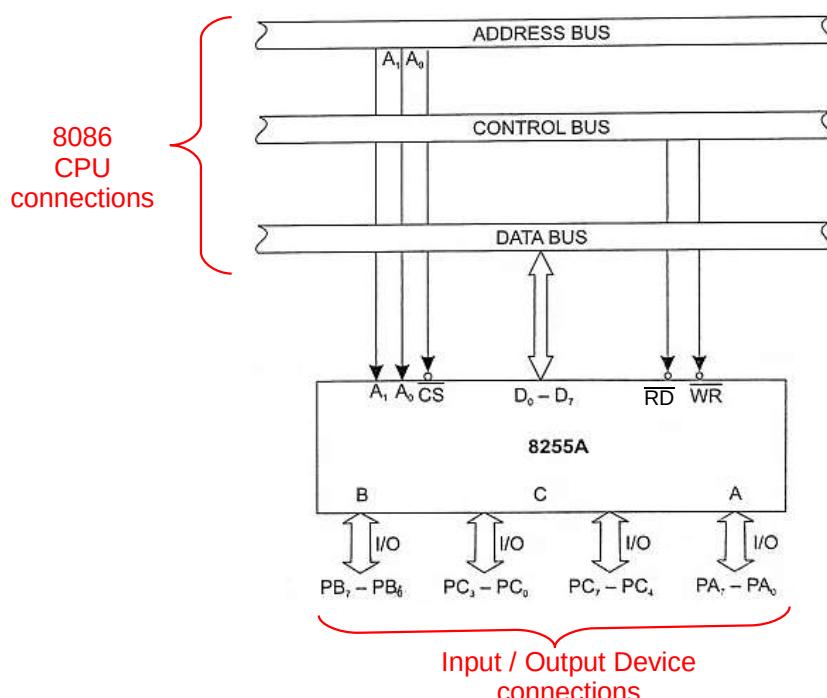
8255 Pins



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8255 and System Bus Connection

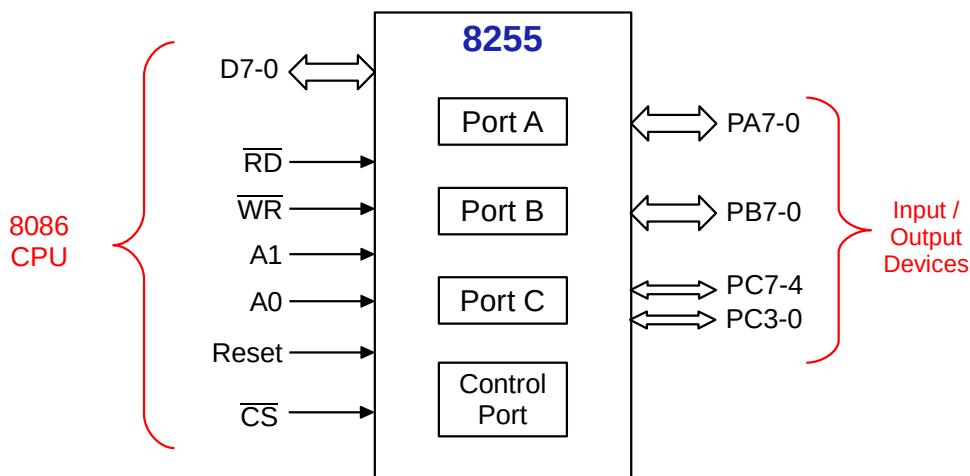
System Bus Connections: Outputs are latched, inputs are buffered.



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Ports in 8255

- The Chip Select signal (\overline{CS}) should be connected to the Address Decoding logic.
- When CS (Chip Select) signal is 0, the 8255 chip is enabled.
- Port A, Port B, Port C and the Control Port have their own addresses.
- Each port is a 8-bit register.



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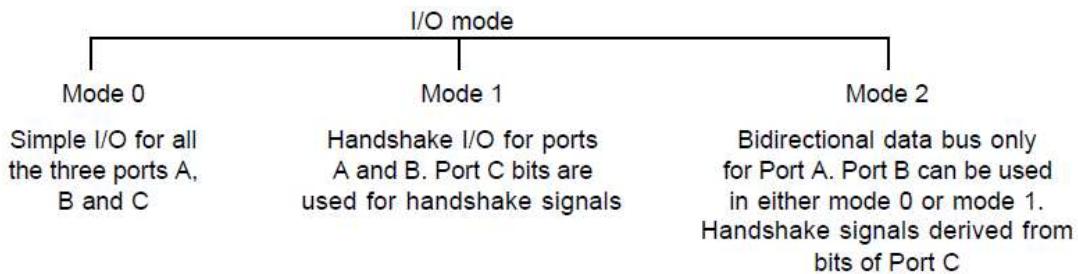
8255 Pin Descriptions

SYMBOL	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
V_{CC}		V_{CC} : The +5V power supply pin. A $0.1\mu F$ capacitor between V_{CC} and GND is recommended for decoupling.
GND		GROUND
D0-D7	I/O	DATA BUS: The Data Bus lines are bidirectional three-state pins connected to the system data bus.
RESET	I	RESET: A high on this input clears the control register and all ports (A, B, C) are set to the input mode with the "Bus Hold" circuitry turned on.
\overline{CS}	I	CHIP SELECT: Chip select is an active low input used to enable the 82C55A onto the Data Bus for CPU communications.
\overline{RD}	I	READ: Read is an active low input control signal used by the CPU to read status information or data via the data bus.
\overline{WR}	I	WRITE: Write is an active low input control signal used by the CPU to load control words and data into the 82C55A.
A0-A1	I	ADDRESS: These input signals, in conjunction with the \overline{RD} and \overline{WR} inputs, control the selection of one of the three ports or the control word register. A0 and A1 are normally connected to the least significant bits of the Address Bus A0, A1.
PA0-PA7	I/O	PORT A: 8-bit input and output port. Both bus hold high and bus hold low circuitry are present on this port.
PB0-PB7	I/O	PORT B: 8-bit input and output port. Bus hold high circuitry is present on this port.
PC0-PC7	I/O	PORT C: 8-bit input and output port. Bus hold circuitry is present on this port.

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8255 Operating Modes

- The 8255 interface chip can be programmed to operate in three modes:
 - Mode 0 : Basic Input/Output
 - Mode 1 : Strobed Input/Output (Handshaked)
 - Mode 2 : Two-directional bus



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Mode 0 (Basic Input/Output)

- Mode 0 gives the simplest form of I/O.
 - No handshaking is required.
 - Data is simply read from or written to the specified port.
 - Any of the ports A, B, C (upper half), and C (lower half) can be set (configured) individually as input or output ports.
 - Configuration is done by sending a control byte to the Control Port.
 - There are 16 possible control words.
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- **Example:** To configure all three ports (A,B,C) as output ports, you need to send the control word 80h to the Control port using the following instructions.

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MOV AL, 80h      ; Load AL with the control word 80h.  
OUT 63h, AL     ; Send the control word to port 63h address.  
                  ; (To the Control Port register)
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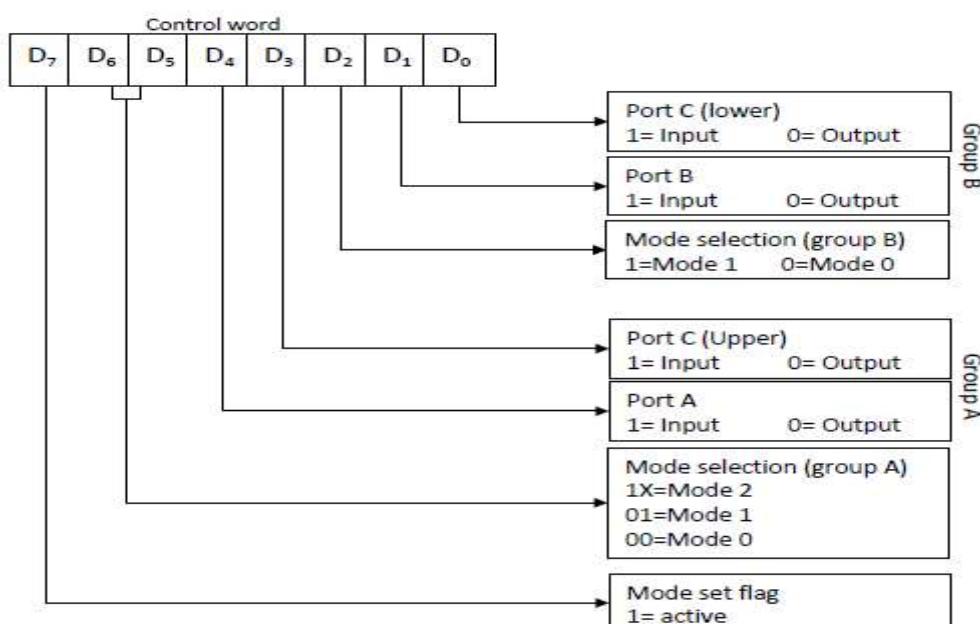
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8255 Control Port Register

- The control port register must be programmed to select the operation mode of the three ports A, B, and C.
- The CPU outputs a control word to the 8255 chip.
- The Control Port Register of 8255 is used to configure the individual ports as to be in input or output mode.
- The control word contains information such as operating mode that initializes the functional configuration of the 8255.

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8255 Control Port Register (Control Word Bits)



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Mode 0 Control Words

(Table of all 16 possible configurations)

D7, D6, D5, and D2 bits of Control Register are fixed for Mode0.

Ports				Control Word								Hex Value
A	C (higher)	B	C (lower)	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0	
OUT	OUT	OUT	OUT	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80h
OUT	OUT	OUT	IN	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	81h
OUT	OUT	IN	OUT	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	82h
OUT	OUT	IN	IN	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	83h
OUT	IN	OUT	OUT	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	88h
OUT	IN	OUT	IN	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	89h
OUT	IN	IN	OUT	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	8Ah
OUT	IN	IN	IN	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	8Bh
IN	OUT	OUT	OUT	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	90h
IN	OUT	OUT	IN	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	91h
IN	OUT	IN	OUT	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	92h
IN	OUT	IN	IN	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	93h
IN	IN	OUT	OUT	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	98h
IN	IN	OUT	IN	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	99h
IN	IN	IN	OUT	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	9Ah
IN	IN	IN	IN	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	9Bh

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Port selection

- The **CS** (chip select) pin selects the entire 8255 chip.
- Address pins A0 and A1 select the specific port within the chip.
- The A0 and A1 are bits as part of the port addresses.

CS	A1	A0	Selected Port
0	0	0	Port A
0	0	1	Port B
0	1	0	Port C
0	1	1	Control Port Register
1	x	x	8255 chip is disabled

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8255 Port Addresses in Computer

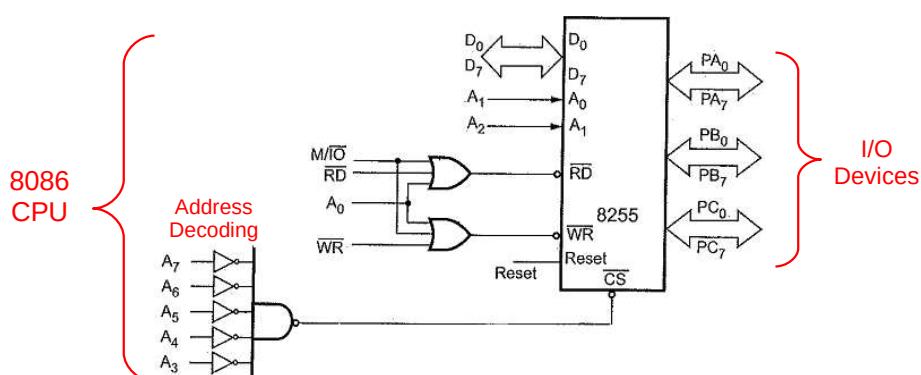
- In IBM-PC and compatible computers, the 8255 chip is decoded at Input/Output port addresses 60h through 63h.
- The smallest address 60h is called as Base Port address.

Port Names	Port Addresses	A1 and A0 address lines
A	60h	0 0
B	61h	0 1
C	62h	1 0
Control Register	63h	1 1

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Example1: Interfacing of 8255 in Isolated I/O (Using Logic Gates for address decoding)

- The 8086 CPU has special instructions IN and OUT to transfer data through the input/output ports in Isolated I/O method.
- The M / \overline{IO} signal is always low, when 8086 CPU is executing IN or OUT instructions.

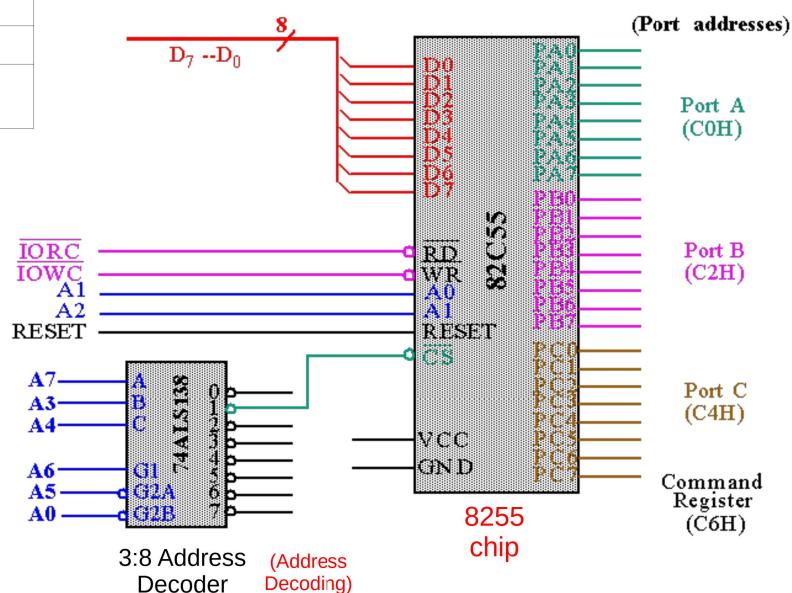


Port / control Register	Address lines								Address
	A ₇	A ₆	A ₅	A ₄	A ₃	A ₂	A ₁	A ₀	
Port A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	00H
Port B	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	02H
Port C	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	04H
Control register	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	06H

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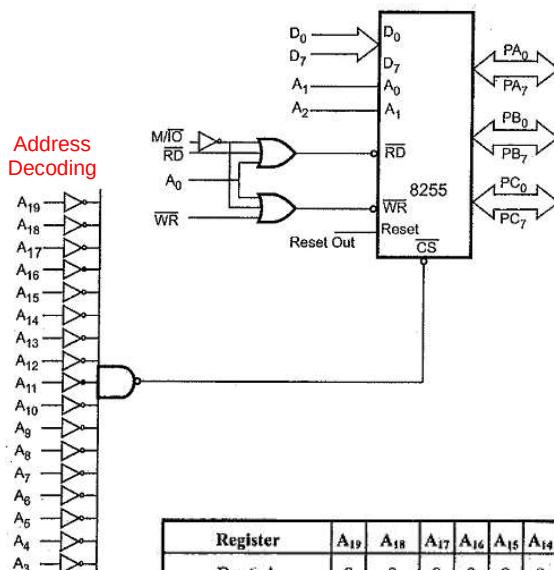
Example2: Interfacing of 8255 in Isolated I/O (Using Address Decoder chip 74138)

Port	Address
A	C0h
B	C2h
C	C4h
Command Register	C6h



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Example3: Interfacing of 8255 in Memory Mapped I/O



- The 8086 CPU uses 20 address lines to identify an I/O device.
- An I/O device is connected as if it is a memory register.
- 8086 CPU uses same control signals and instructions to access I/O as those of memory.
- RD and WR signals are activated when M / IO signal is high, indicating memory bus cycle.
- Address lines A₀ and A₁ are used by 8255 chip for internal decoding.

Register	A ₁₉	A ₁₈	A ₁₇	A ₁₆	A ₁₅	A ₁₄	A ₁₃	A ₁₂	A ₁₁	A ₁₀	A ₉	A ₈	A ₇	A ₆	A ₅	A ₄	A ₃	A ₂	A ₁	A ₀	Address	
Port A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	00000H
Port B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	00002H
Port C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	00004H
Control register	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	00006H

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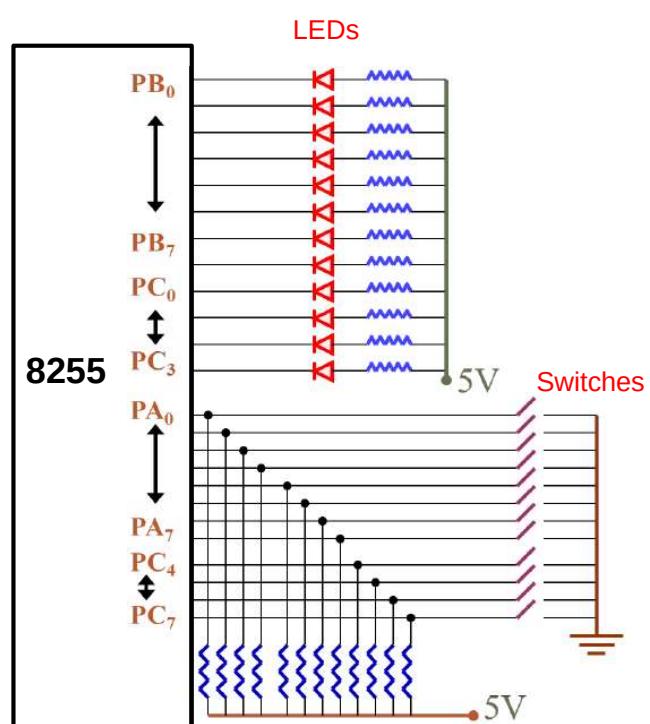
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Application Example1 : Switches and LEDs

- Write an Assembly program to continuously read 12 switches and display corresponding 12 LEDs.
- Each switch will control one LED.
- Suppose 12 LEDs are connected to all 8 pins of Port B, and 4 lower pins of Port C.
- Also 12 switches are connected to all 8 pins of Port A, and 4 upper pins of Port C.
- The Base Address (smallest address) of ports in 8255 chip is 00h.



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Solution

Determine the Control Register bits (control word).

The Control Register in Mode 0

D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
1=Mode 0 I/O Mode	Mode selection 00 = Mode 0 01 = Mode 1 1X = Mode 2	Port A 1=input 0=output	Port C (PC7-PC4) 1=input 0=output	Mode Selection 0=Mode 0 1=Mode 1	Port B 1=input 0=output	Port C (PC3-PC0) 1=input 0=output	

D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0

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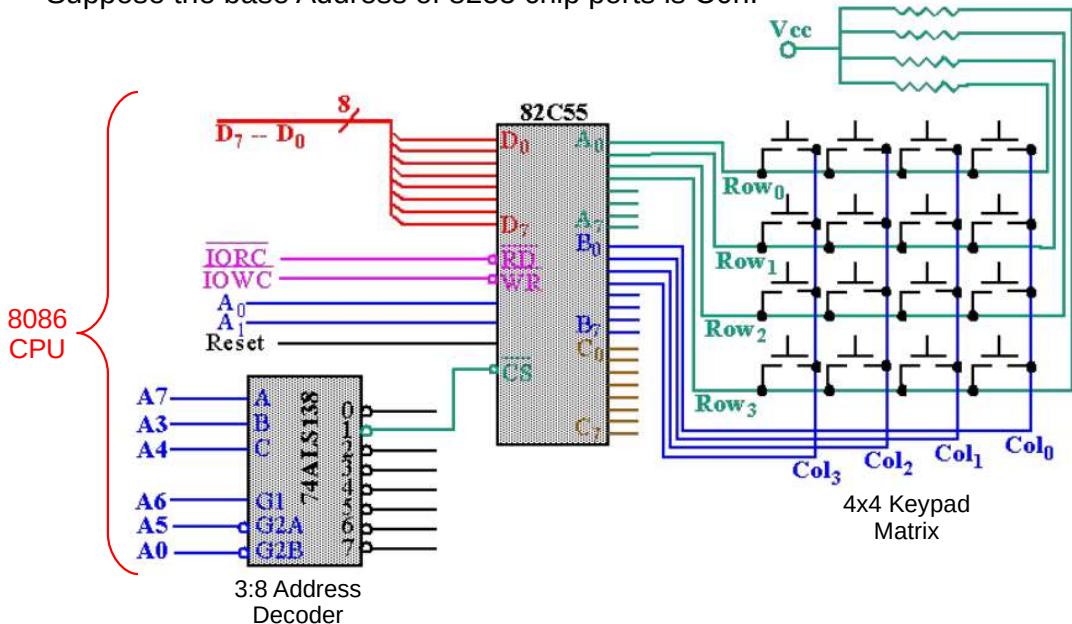
Program

```
; Define the port addresses of 8255 chip.
PortA      EQU  00h
PortB      EQU  02h
PortC      EQU  04h
KontrolPort EQU  06h
.model small
.code
    mov AL, 10011000b          ; The control word
    out KontrolPort, AL         ; Initialize the 8255 chip
MainDongu:
    in  AL, PortA             ; Endless loop
    out PortB, AL              ; Read 8 switches
    in  AL, PortC              ; Send to 8 LEDs
    and AL, 0f0h                ; Read 4 switches
    mov CL, 04                  ; Upper 4 bits filtered (taken)
    mov AL, CL                  ; Counter for rotate operation
    ror AL, CL                  ; Rotate AL left 4 times
    out PortC, AL               ; Send to 4 LEDs
    JMP MainDongu              ; Go to endless loop
END           ; End of file
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Application Example2 : Keypad Input

- Write an Assembly program to continuously read the keypad, and detect a button press.
- The 4 rows of keypad are connected to Port A, and the 4 columns are connected to Port B of 8255 chip.
- Suppose the base Address of 8255 chip ports is C0h.



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Solution

Determine the Control Register bits (control word).

- Port A is used as input.
- Port B is used as output.
- Port C is not used.

The Control Register in Mode 0

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D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
1	0	0	1	X	0	0	X

x : Assumed as zeros.

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Keypad Layout

Keypad matrix (4x4)

0	1	2	3
4	5	6	7
8	9	A	B
C	D	E	F

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Keypad Pin Connections to PortA and PortB

Columns are outputs to Keypad (Scan lines)

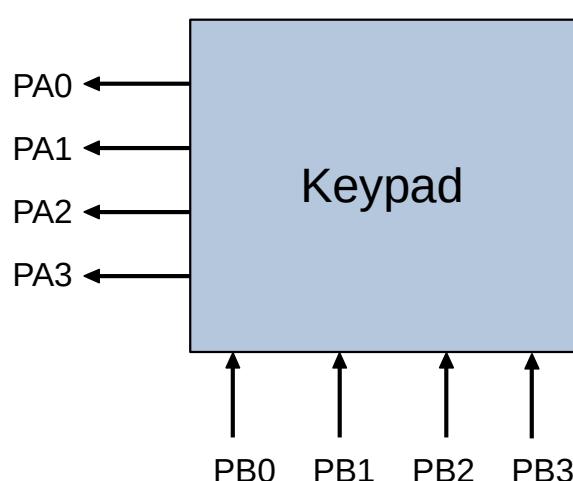
Port B is used as output :

PB0, PB1, PB2, PB3 pins are used, to select the columns.

Rows are inputs from Keypad (Return lines)

Port A is used as input :

PA0, PA1, PA2, PA3 pins are used, to read the rows.



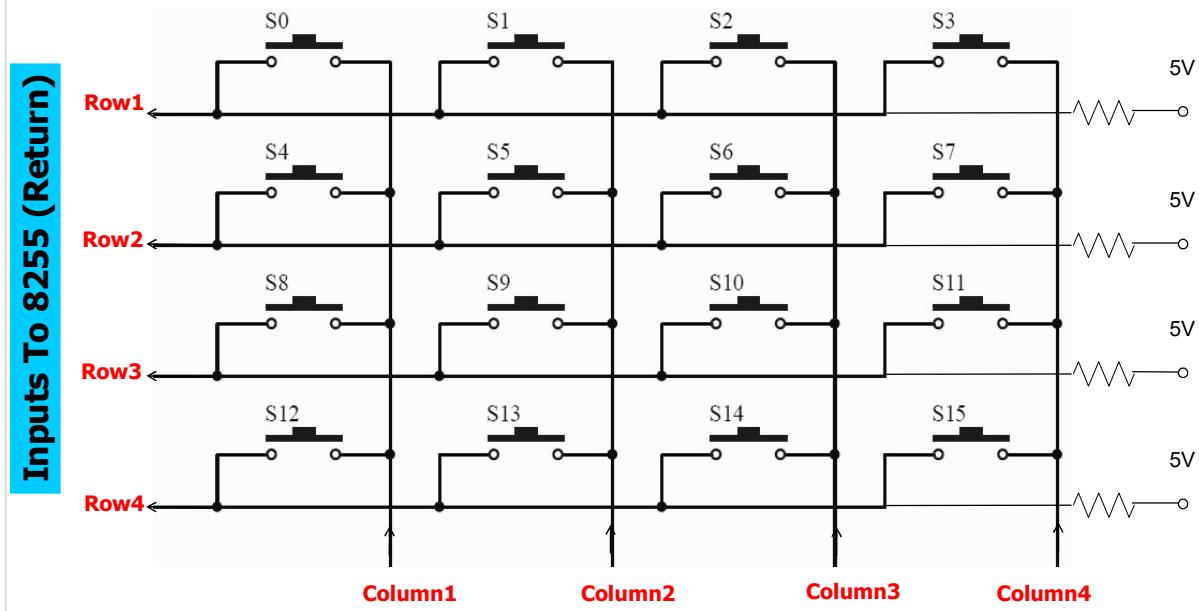
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Selecting the Columns (Outputs) and Reading the Rows (Inputs)

- In order to use the port pins of the 8255 chip efficiently, only 8 pins of it will be used.
- The 4x4 button keypad normally requires 16 port lines.
- Since we want to use only 8 pins of 8255 chip for the keypad, looping and column selection in the program is necessary.
- Program will select the columns of keypad one-at-a-time, and also will read the rows one-at-a-time.
- **Port B (PB0-PB3)** lines of 8255 chip are used as **outputs (columns)**.
 - PB0-PB3 columns will be selected by program.
 - Key press is detected by rotating 0 among columns.
- **Port A (PA0-PA3)** lines are used as **inputs (rows)**.
 - If no key is pressed, then all rows (PA0-PA3) read high (1).
 - When a key is pressed, then one of the columns (PB0-PB3) is **shorted** with a row, and that row becomes low (0).

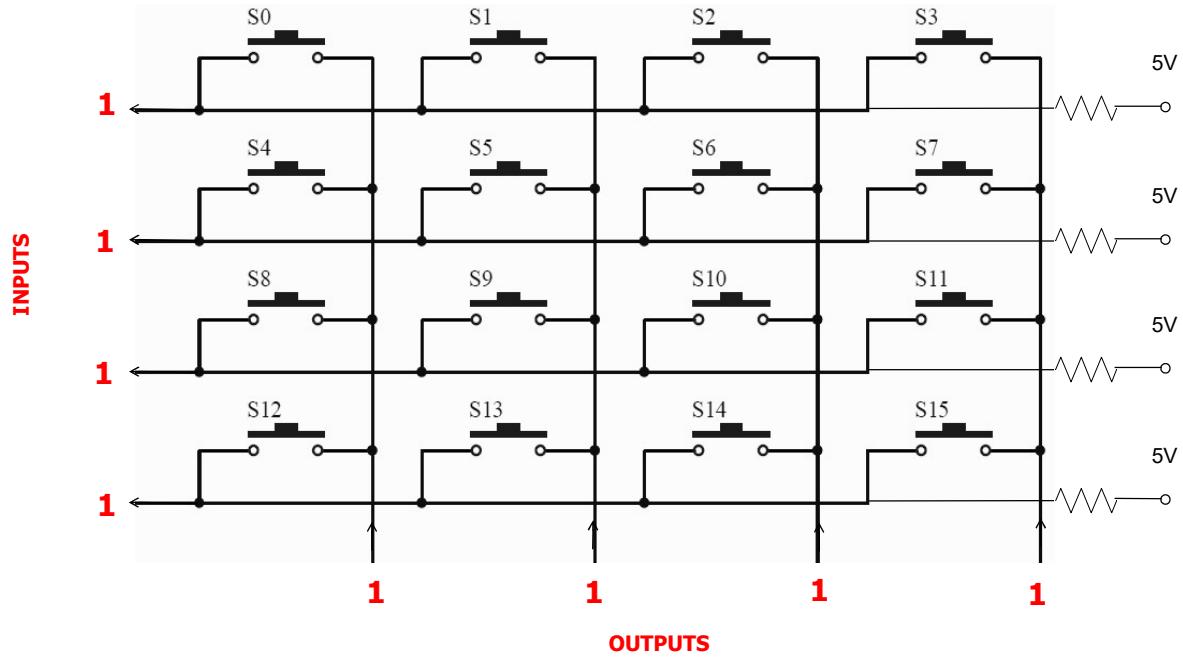
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Connections of 4x4 Button Matrix



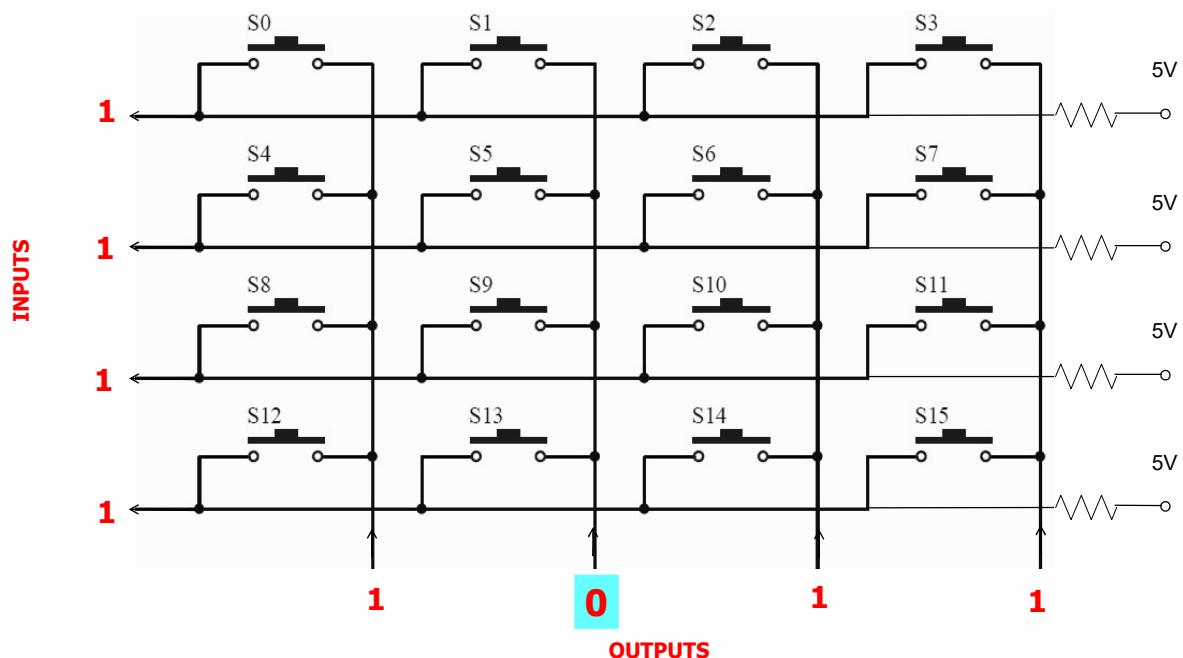
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Initial status:
No buttons are pressed



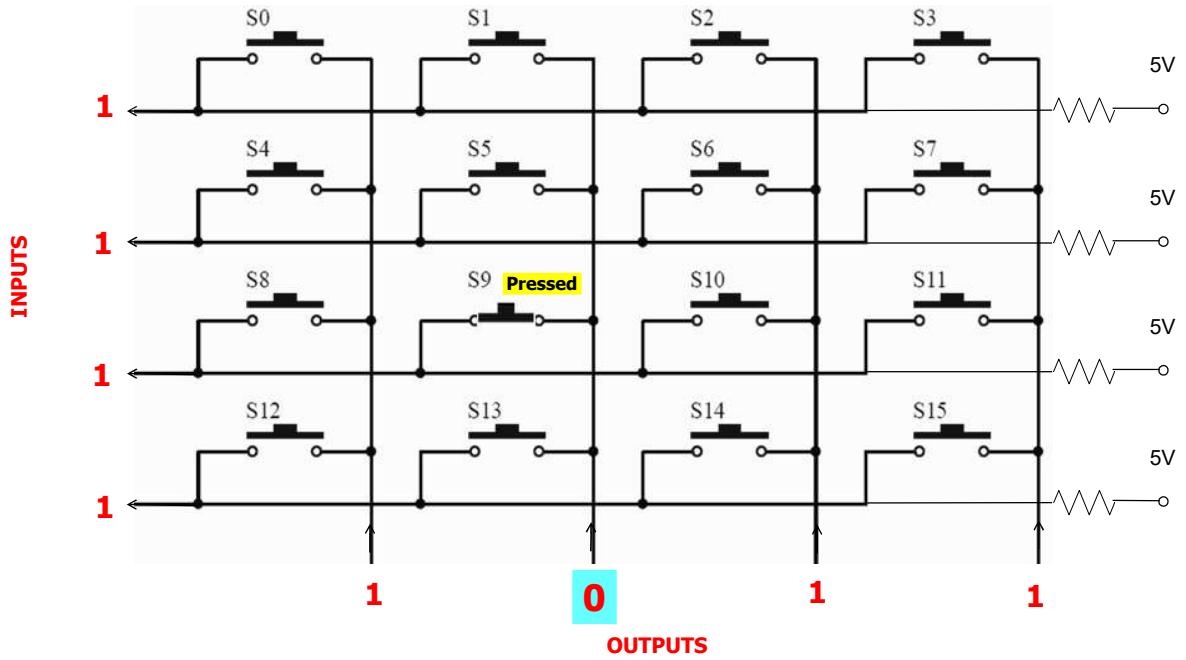
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**Column2 selected by program
(0 is written to Column2 output)**



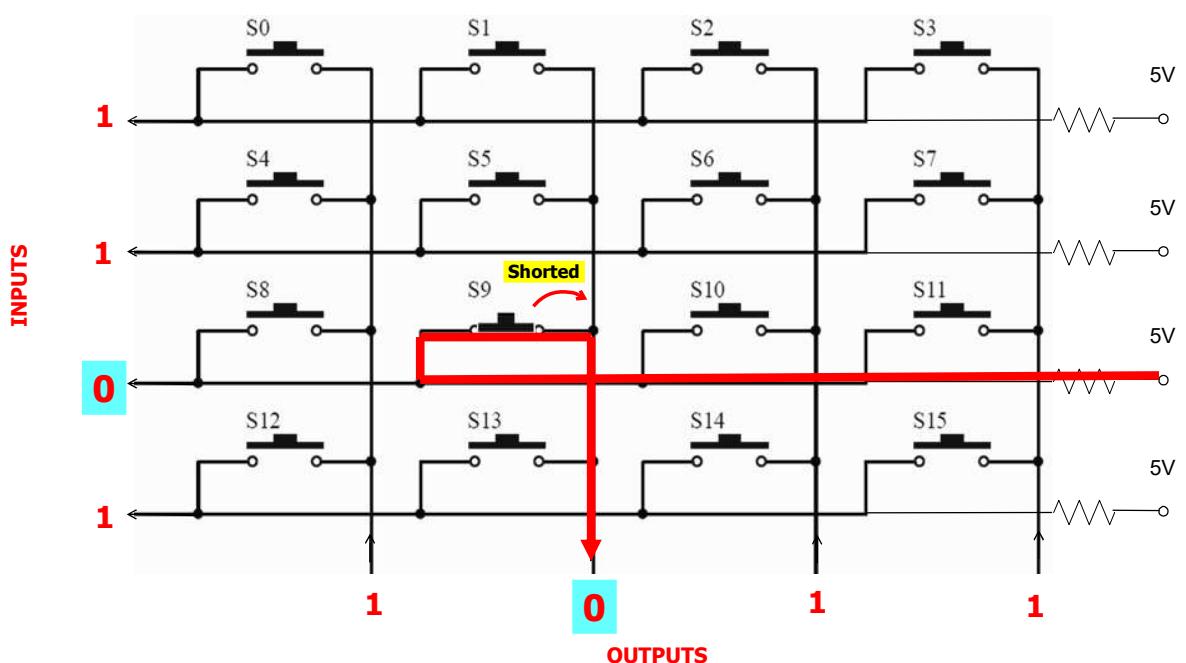
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S9 button is pressed by user
during Column2 selection



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0 is read from Row3 input
by program



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Selecting the Columns and Reading the Rows of Keypad Matrix

- The way to read a button matrix is to **select (drive)** one column output at a time to the active low-level, and **read (scan)** all the input rows, looking to see if any row is at the active low-level.
- Then program goes to the next column output, and so on (endless looping).
- If a row input is at active low-level, then programs has detected a key press. In that case, program calculates the key value with a formula.
- The formula below is used to calculate the Key value pressed (between 0 and 15).

$$\text{Key value} = (\text{Row} - 1) * (\text{Number of Columns}) + \text{Column} - 1$$

- Both the Row and the Column variables are counted starting from 1.

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Example : Calculating the Key Value by using row and column values

Suppose user pressed the B symbol on keypad.
Calculate the Key value for the B symbol.

0	1	2	3
4	5	6	7
8	9	A	B
C	D	E	F

Formula for Key value:

$$\text{Key value} = (\text{Row}-1)*(\text{Number of Columns}) + \text{Column} - 1$$

Solution:

Row = 3 Column = 4

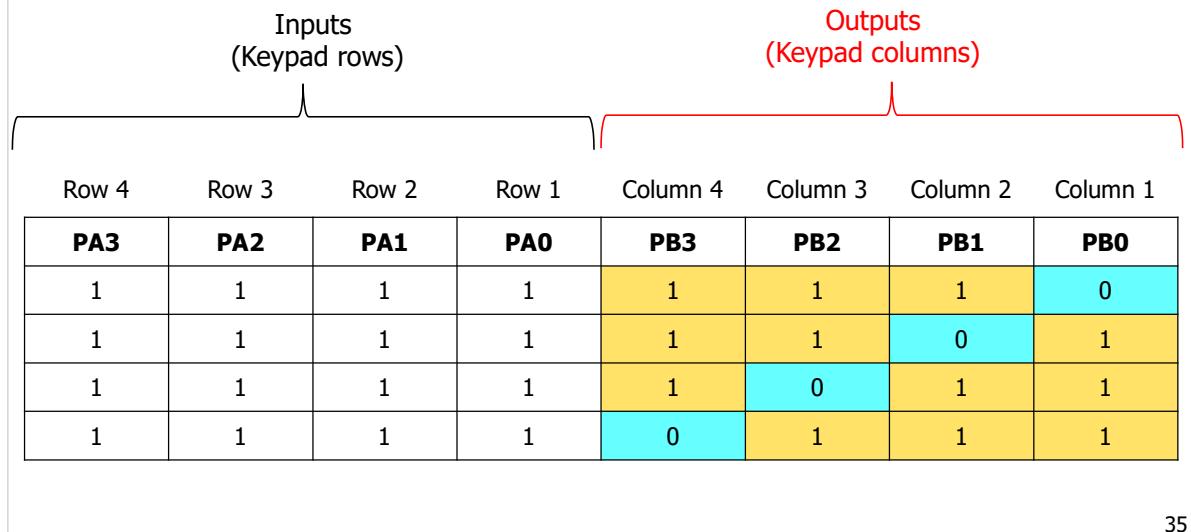
$$\text{Key value} = (3-1)*4 + 4 - 1 = \mathbf{11}$$

(The equivalent hex symbol on keypad is B.)

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Selecting Columns of Keypad Matrix thru Port B of 8255 Chip

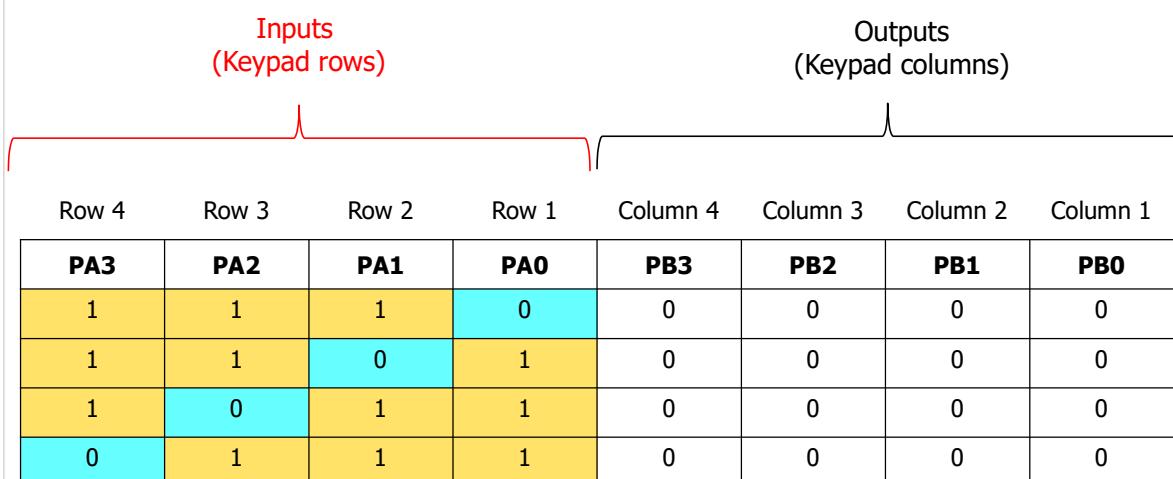
- Port B (PB0-PB3) 4 lines are connected to the columns of keypad.
- Port A (PA0-PA3) 4 lines are connected to the rows of keypad.
- Selecting a column requires writing **zero** to Port B pins (PB0-PB3 lines), which are connected to columns of keypad.
- To select a column, program writes "0" to a column one-at-a-time.



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Reading Rows of Keypad Matrix thru Port A of 8255 Chip

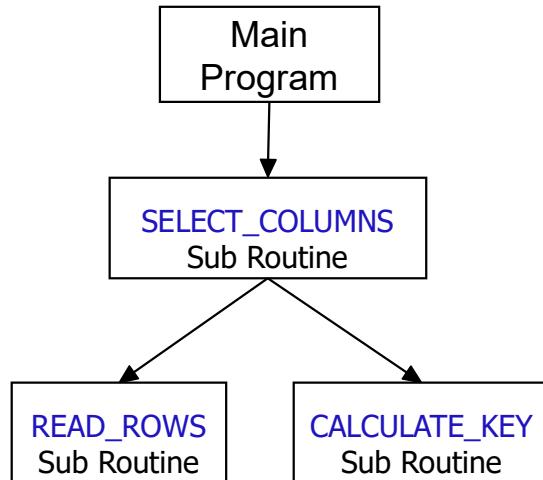
- Program reads rows and checks each of them one-at-a-time (checks whether which row is "0" or not).
- "0" in a row indicates that a key in that row is pressed by user.



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Program Structure

- Program continuously reads the keypad matrix.
- Program detects any key press and stores its value (between 0 and 15) to a memory variable named **KEY**.
- Displaying the pressed key value on screen is not implemented in the program.



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Program

Part1

```
; Program for reading 4x4 Matrix Keypad.  
; Using the 8255 interface chip.  
  
;  
;-----  
; MAIN PROGRAM  
;  
;-----  
; Define the port addresses of 8255 chip.  
PortA    EQU  0C0h  
PortB    EQU  0C2h  
Kontrol  EQU  0C6h  
  
.model small  
  
.stack  ; Default stack size is 1 KB.  
; The CALL instruction uses the stack.  
  
.data  
ROW      DB ?      ; Row index of pressed key  
COLUMN   DB ?      ; Column index of pressed key  
KEY      DB ?      ; Stores the calculated key number pressed
```

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Part2

```
.code
BASLA PROC          ; Main procedure

.STARTUP
mov AL, 10010000b    ; The control word
out Kontrol, AL       ; Initialize 8255 chip

MainDongu:           ; Endless main loop
Call SELECT_COLUMNS ; Call the subroutine
JMP MainDongu        ; Goto to main loop

BASLA ENDP           ; End of main procedure
```

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Part3

```
; SUB ROUTINES
;-----
; Subroutine selects (drives, scans) the columns one-by-one.
; Makes a column output bit zero, one at a time.
; Calls the other subroutines.
SELECT_COLUMNS PROC
Kolon1:
    MOV AL, 11111110b ; Select Column1 (rightmost bit)
    OUT PortB, AL      ; Drive column (Write to Port B)
    MOV COLUMN, 1       ; Assign current column
    call READ_ROWS      ; Call subroutine
    MOVAL, ROW          ; Get value of row variable
    CMP AL, 0            ; Check if any key pressed
    JE Kolon2           ; If zero, then no key pressed
    Call CALCULATE_KEY  ; Call subroutine
    RET                 ; Return
Kolon2:
    MOV AL, 11111101b ; Select Column2
    OUT PortB, AL      ; Drive column (Write to Port B)
    MOV COLUMN, 2       ; Assign current column
    call READ_ROWS      ; Call subroutine
    MOVAL, ROW          ; Get value of row variable
    CMP AL, 0            ; Check if any key pressed
    JE Kolon3           ; If zero, then no key pressed
    Call CALCULATE_KEY  ; Call subroutine
    RET                 ; Return
```

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Part4

```
Kolon3:  
    MOV AL, 1111011b ; Select Column3  
    OUT PortB, AL  
    MOV COLUMN, 3  
    call READ_ROWS  
    MOV AL, ROW  
    CMP AL, 0  
    JE Kolon4  
    Call CALCULATE_KEY  
    RET           ; Return  
Kolon4:  
    MOV AL, 11110111b ; Select Column4  
    OUT PortB, AL  
    MOV COLUMN, 4  
    call READ_ROWS  
    MOV AL, ROW  
    CMP AL, 0  
    JE Donus1  
    Call CALCULATE_KEY  
  
Donus1:  
    RET           ; Return  
SELECT_COLUMNS ENDP
```

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Part5

```
; Subroutine reads (scans) the rows one-by-one.  
; Determines which row is current if any key pressed.  
READ_ROWS PROC  
    IN AL, PortA      ; Read from port A  
    AND AL, 11110000b ; Filter left 4 bits  
Satir1:  
    CMP AL, 11111110b ; Check Row1 bit  
    JNE Satir2        ; If not equal, then check next row  
    MOV ROW, 1         ; Row detected, save it to variable  
    RET               ; Return  
Satir2:  
    CMP AL, 11111101b ; Check Row2 bit  
    JNE Satir3        ; If not equal, then check next row  
    MOV ROW, 2         ; Row detected, save it to variable  
    RET               ; Return  
Satir3:  
    CMP AL, 11111011b ; Check Row3 bit  
    JNE Satir4        ; If not equal, then check next row  
    MOV ROW, 3         ; Row detected, save it to variable  
    RET               ; Return  
Satir4:  
    CMP AL, 11110111b ; Check Row4 bit  
    JNE Donus2        ; If not equal, then check next row  
    MOV ROW, 4         ; Row detected, save it to variable  
Donus2:  
    RET               ; Return  
READ_ROWS ENDP
```

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Part6

```
; Subroutine calculates the KEY value with  
; the formula by using ROW and COLUMN.  
  
CALCULATE_KEY PROC  
    MOV AX, 0          ; Clear accumulator  
    MOV AL, ROW        ; Get row value  
    DEC AL            ; Decrement row value by 1  
    MOV BL, 4          ; Number of columns  
    MUL BL            ; AL*BL executed, result is in AX  
    ADD AL, COLUMN    ; Add column value to result  
    MOV KEY, BL        ; Store calculated key to variable  
    RET  
CALCULATE_KEY ENDP  
  
END BASLA      ; End of file
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