

Microcontroller Projects

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Rotary Encoder Interfacing with PIC Mirocontroller

i am currently working with some power supply design and i can say using conventional pots(potentiometer) and rotary switch to adjust the voltage and other stuff is quite old school. so i have decided to go for a bit high tech , actually bit digital.
so here is the solution

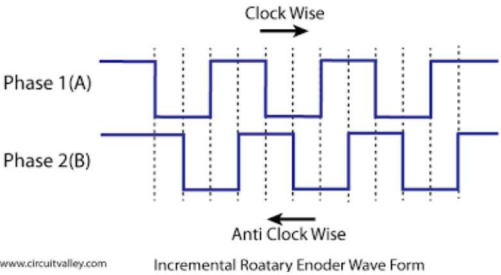
Incremental Rotary Encoder

first of all i would like to tell you , these type of rotary encoder is totally digital component so you can't directly replace these with you conventional pots. so lets start what are Incremental Rotary Encoder , Incremental rotary encoders by the looks of it just like a general purpose pot looks like but output is quite different they provide a pair of digital signals that allow a microcontroller to determine the direction of a shaft's rotation. They can be used to monitor motors and mechanisms, or to provide a control-knob user interface.

for a quick look here is a typical incremental rotary encoder



and hear the output wave form



Decoding with Microcontroller

in this examples we will be decoding the rotary encoder with the help of sate machine.

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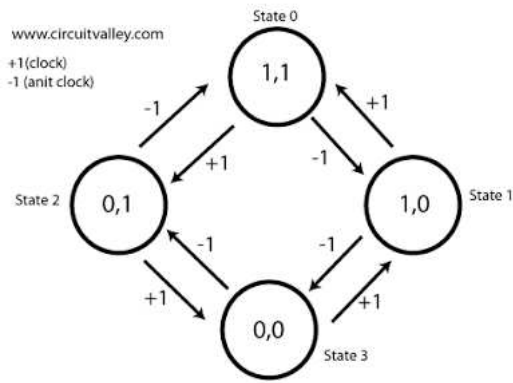
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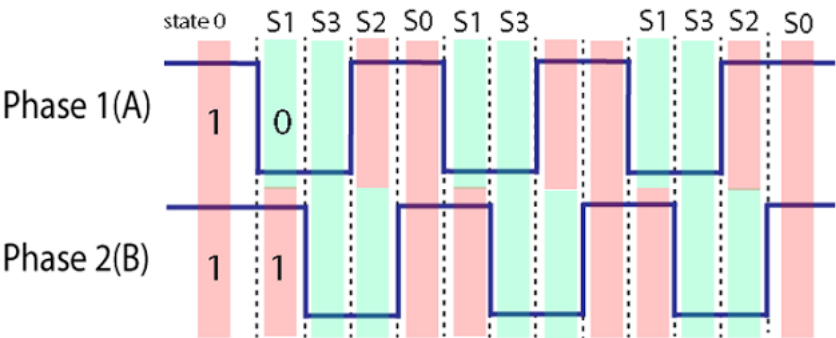


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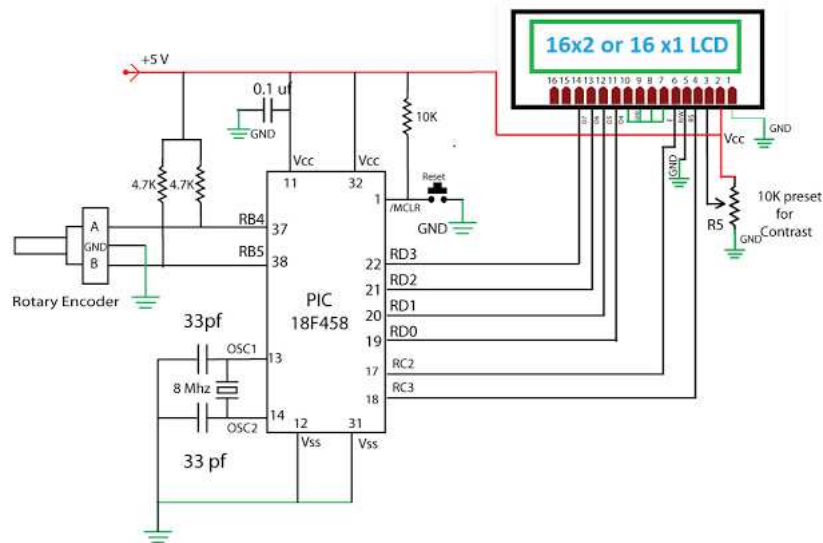
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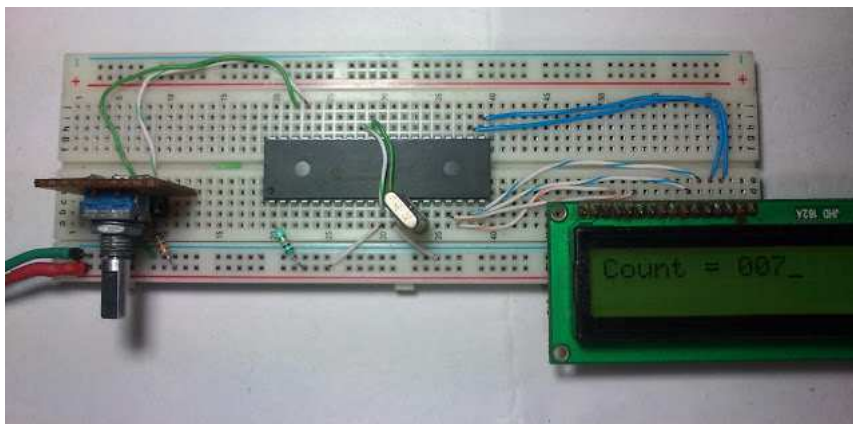


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Incremental Roatary Enoder Wave Form

Schematic with PIC18F458





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hello gaurav
please post the uc code for interfacing rotary encoder

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if possible use atmel mega x chips

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Vladislav Stankovic November 13, 2013 at 1:04 AM

This code is incomplete, you must do the revision. Program increments the variable just to pin 4 and pin 5, with no requirement to complete full cycles of 10,11,01,00. These can lead to an incorrect reading of the encoder.

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