



C Programming in 8051

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- Review of C basics
- C data type for 8051
- I/O programming in 8051 C
- Logic operation in 8051 C
- Data serialization in 8051 C
- Create a time delay in 8051 C

- Of higher level languages, C is the closest to assembly language
 - bit manipulation instructions
 - pointers (indirect addressing)
- Most microcontrollers have available C compilers
- Writing in C simplifies code development for large projects.

REVIEW OF C BASICS

- Compilers produce hex files that is downloaded to ROM of microcontroller
 - The size of hex file is the main concern
 - ☞ Microcontrollers have limited on-chip ROM
 - ☞ Code space for 8051 is limited to 64K bytes
- C programming is less time consuming, but has larger hex file size
- The reasons for writing programs in C
 - a) It is easier and less time consuming to write in C than Assembly
 - b) C is easier to modify and update
 - c) You can use code available in function libraries
 - d) C code is portable to other microcontroller with little of no modification

- Available C Compilers
 - Keil – integrated with the IDE we have been using for labs.
 - Reads51 – available on web site
(<http://www.rigelcorp.com/reads51.htm>)
 - Freeware: SDCC - Small Device C Compiler
(<http://sdcc.sourceforge.net/>)
 - Other freeware versions ...

- Basic C Program Structure

1. Compiler directives and include files
2. Declarations of global variables and constants
3. Declaration of functions
4. Main function
5. Sub-functions

Example: [Example_C.pdf](#)

- Basic C Program Loop Statement

- While loop:

while (condition) { statements }

while **condition** is true, execute **statements**

if there is only one statement, we can lose the { }

Example: while (1) ; // loop forever

- Basic C Program Loop Statement

- For statement:

for (initialization; condition; increment) {statements}

- *initialization* done before statement is executed
- *condition* is tested, if true, execute *statements*
- do *increment* step and go back and test condition again
- repeat last two steps until condition is not true

- Basic C Program Loop Statement

Example:

```
for (n = 0; n<1000; n++)
```

n++ means $n = n + 1$

Be careful with signed integers!

```
for (i=0; i < 33000; i++) {LED = ~LED};
```

Why is this an infinite loop?

- Basic C Program Loop Statement

- Do – While Loop

do

statements

while (expression);

Test made at the bottom of the loop

- Basic C Program Decision Statement

- Decision – if statement

```
if (condition1)
    { statements_1 }
else if (condition2)
    { statements_2 }
...
else
    { statements_n }
```

- Basic C Program Decision Statement

- Decision – switch statement

```
switch (expression) {  
    case const-expr: statements  
    case const-expr: statements  
    default: statements  
}
```

- All variables must be declared at top of program, before the first statement.

Data Type	Size in Bits	Data Range/Usage
unsigned char	8-bit	0 to 255
(signed) char	8-bit	-128 to +127
unsigned int	16-bit	0 to 65535
(signed) int	16-bit	-32,768 to +32,767
sbit	1-bit	SFR bit-addressable only
bit	1-bit	RAM bit-addressable only
sfr	8-bit	RAM addresses 80 - FFH only

- **unsigned char and signed char**
 - 8-bit data type.
 - Need to explicitly include the key word *unsigned* in front of *char* to indicate an unsigned data type.
 - Default char type is *signed char*. Therefore, there is no need to explicitly include the key work *signed*.

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
void main(void)
{
    unsigned char x;
    signed char y;
    ...
}
```

- **unsigned int and signed int**
 - 16-bit data type.
 - Need to explicitly include the key word *unsigned* in front of *int* to indicate an unsigned data type.
 - Default *int* type is *signed int*. Therefore, there is no need to explicitly include the key work *signed*.

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
void main(void)
{
    unsigned int x;
    signed int y;
    ...
}
```

- **sbit (single bit) and bit**
 - *sbit* is used to access single-bit addressable registers, such as the single-bit addressable SFR registers which include the SFRs for ports P0, P1, P2, and P3.
 - *bit* is used to access single bits in the RAM bit-addressable memory space 20H – 2FH.

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
sbit BIT0 = P1^0;
bit BIT1;
void main(void)
{
  ...
}
```


- **sfr**
 - **sfr** data type is used to access byte-size SFR registers.

Example:

```
//Using sfr data type
```

```
sfr P0 = 0x80
```

```
// Declaring P0 using sfr type
```

```
void main(void)
```

```
{
```

```
...
```

```
P0++;
```

```
// increment P0
```

```
...
```

DATA TYPE

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
void MSDelay (unsigned int)
void main(void)
{
    while (1)                                // repeat forever
    {
        P1=0x55;
        MSDelay(250);
        P1=0xAA;
        MSDelay(250);
    }
}
void MSDelay(unsigned int itime)
{
    unsigned int i, j;
    for (i=0;i<itime;i++)
    for (j=0;j<1275;j++)

}
```

- The 8051 C compiler allocates RAM locations
 - Bank 0 – addresses 0 – 7
 - Individual variables – addresses 08 and beyond
 - **Array** elements – addresses right after variables
 - **Array** elements need contiguous RAM locations and that limits the size of the array due to the fact that we have only 128 bytes of RAM for everything
 - Stack – addresses right after array elements

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
void main(void)
{
    unsigned char mydata[100]; //RAM space
    unsigned char x,z=0;
    for (x=0;x<100;x++)
    {
        z--;
        mydata[x]=z;
        P1=z;
    }
}
```

- **Byte size I/O**

➤ Use P0 – P3 labels as defined in the header file to access the ports P0-P3.

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
#define LED P2
bit bit1;
void main(void)
{
    ...
    LED++;
    ...
}
```

- **Bit-addressable I/O programming**

➤ To access bit y in port x , use Px^y to refer to that particular bit.

Example:

```
#include <reg51.h>
sbit bit1 = P0.5
void main(void)
{
    ...
    bit1=1;
    ...
}
```

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```

- **Bit-wise operator:** The AND, OR, XOR, and inverting operations can be performed on bits as well as on 8-bit data types.

		AND	OR	EX-OR	Inverter
A	B	A&B	A B	A^B	Y=~B
0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	1	
1	1	1	1	0	

- **Logical operators**

AND (&&), OR (||), and NOT (!)

While (P1.0 && P1.1)

- There are two bit-wise shift operations performed using shift right (>>) and shift left (<<) instructions.

Examples:

```
#include <reg51.h>
sbit bit1 = P0.5
void main(void)
{
    ...
    P0 = 0x21 & 0xA2;
    P1 = P1^0xFF;
    P2 = 0x32>>2;    //shifting right twice
    ...
}
```

- Serializing data is a way of sending a byte of data one bit at a time through a single pin of microcontroller
 - Using the serial port
 - Transfer data one bit a time and control the sequence of data and spaces in between them
 - ☞ In many new generations of devices such as LCD, ADC, and ROM the serial versions are becoming popular since they take less space on a PCB

Example: Write a C program to send out the value 44H serially one bit at a time via P1.0. The LSB should go out first.

Solution:

```
#include <reg51.h>
sbit P1b0=P1^0;
sbit regALSB=ACC^0;
void main(void)
{
    unsigned char conbyte=0x44;
    unsigned char x;
    ACC=conbyte;
    for (x=0;x<8;x++)
    {
        P1b0=regALSB;
        ACC=ACC>>1;
    }
}
```

- There are two ways to create a time delay in 8051 C
 - Using the 8051 timer
 - Using a simple *for* loop
- be mindful of three factors that can affect the accuracy of the delay
 - ① The number of machine cycle and the number of clock periods per machine cycle
 - ② The crystal frequency connected to the X1 – X2 input pins
 - ③ Compiler choice
 - C compiler converts the C statements and functions to Assembly language instructions
 - Different compilers produce different code

- Write an 8051 C program to toggle bits of P1 continuously forever with some delay.

Solution:

//Toggle P1 forever with some delay in between “on” and “off”

```
#include <reg51.h>
```

```
void main(void)
```

```
{
```

```
unsigned int x;
```

```
for (;;)                                //repeat forever
```

```
{
```

```
p1=0x55;
```

```
for (x=0;x<40000;x++);                //delay size unknown
```

```
p1=0xAA;
```

```
for (x=0;x<40000;x++);
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

C for Large Projects

- Use functions to make programs modular
- Break project into separate files if the programs get too large
- Use header (`#include`) files to hold definitions used by several programs
- Keep main program short and easy to follow
- Consider multi-tasking or multi-threaded implementations

- Multitasking: Perception of multiple tasks being executed simultaneously.
 - Usually a feature of an operating system and tasks are separate applications.
 - Embedded systems are usually dedicated to one application.
- Multithreading: Perception of multiple tasks within a single application being executed.
 - Example: Create square wave on P1.0 while echoing characters you type.