



**GEBZE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY**  
**ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING**

**ELEC 334 - Project #1**  
**Randomized Counter**

Project #1 EXPERIMENT REPORT

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## 1. INRODUCTION:

Our objective for this project is to implement a randomized counter in Assembly. A 4-digit SSD should be connected that will display your ID (last 4 digits) when your code is not counting (idle state). When an external button is pressed, it will generate a 4-digit random number, and start counting down to 0. The generated random number should be between 1000 - 9999. When the counter reaches 0, the number 0000 should be displayed for a second, then the code should go back to idle state waiting for the next button press. Pressing the button while counting down should pause counting, and pressing again should resume counting.

## 2. Technical requirements:

- Written in Assembly.
- An external button should be attached that will generate a random number when pressed
  - Generated random number should be between 1000 - 9999.
- An external LED that will be turned off when the counting is in progress, and will be turned on as soon as the number reaches to 0000
- A 4-digit seven segment display that will show the 4-digit number
  - the first digit should display the seconds, the last three digits should display the milliseconds, so it will count down from 9 at most.
- When the system is idle, your school ID will be shown (last 4-digits)
  - Number 0000 should be displayed at least 1 second before going to ID mode
- Pressing the button should pause the counting and pressing again should resume counting.

## 3. THEORETICAL RESEARCH

### • Seven-segment display

A **seven-segment display** is a form of electronic [display device](#) for displaying [decimal numerals](#) that is an alternative to the more complex [dot matrix displays](#).

Seven-segment displays are widely used in [digital clocks](#), electronic meters, basic calculators, and other electronic devices that display numerical information.



Şekil 1. example of 4-digit 7 segment display

- **STM32**

STM32 is a family of 32-bit [microcontroller integrated circuits](#) by [STMicroelectronics](#). The STM32 chips are grouped into related series that are based around the same [32-bit ARM](#) processor core, such as the [Cortex-M33F](#), [Cortex-M7F](#), [Cortex-M4F](#), [Cortex-M3](#), [Cortex-M0+](#), or [Cortex-M0](#). Internally, each microcontroller consists of the processor core, [static RAM](#), [flash](#) memory, debugging interface, and various peripherals.

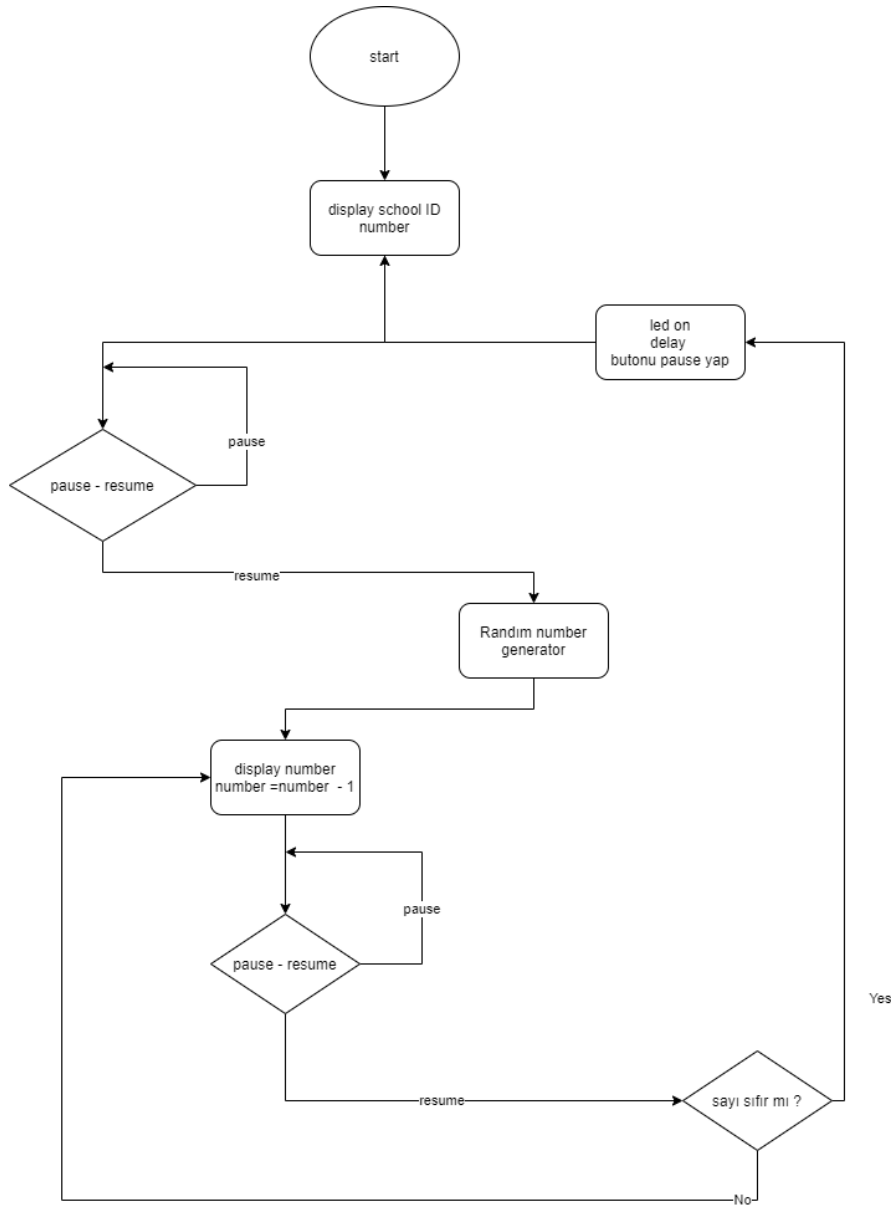


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#### 4. TASK

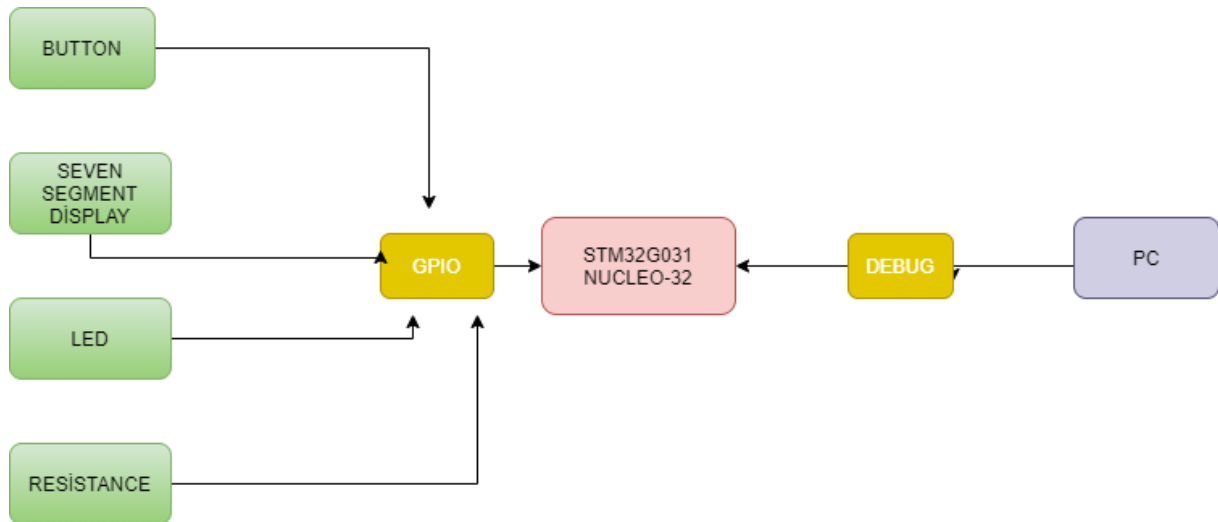
- nucleo-32 card schematics examined
- The seven segment display block diagram was examined
- Created flowchart
- Created blockdiagram
- Necessary connections are made on the breadboard
- Button, controller and seven segment display connection has been made
- code compiled

## 5. FLOWCHART

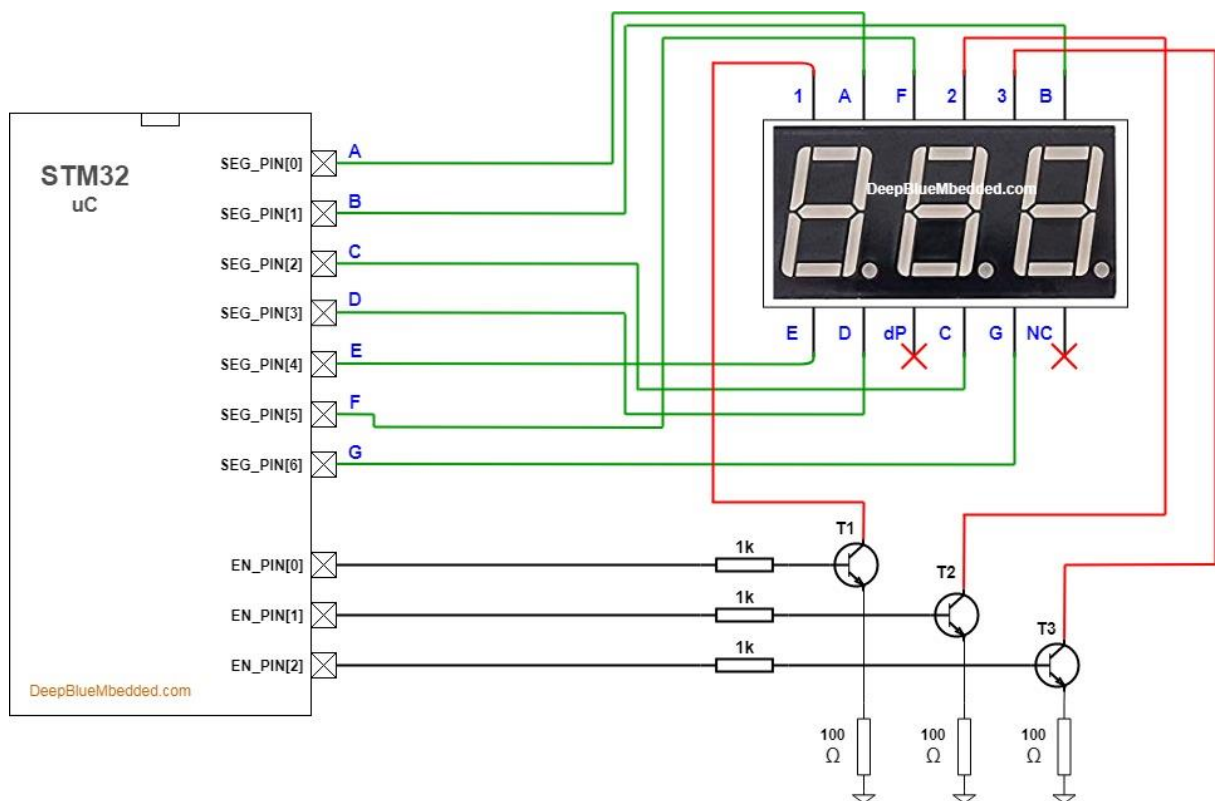


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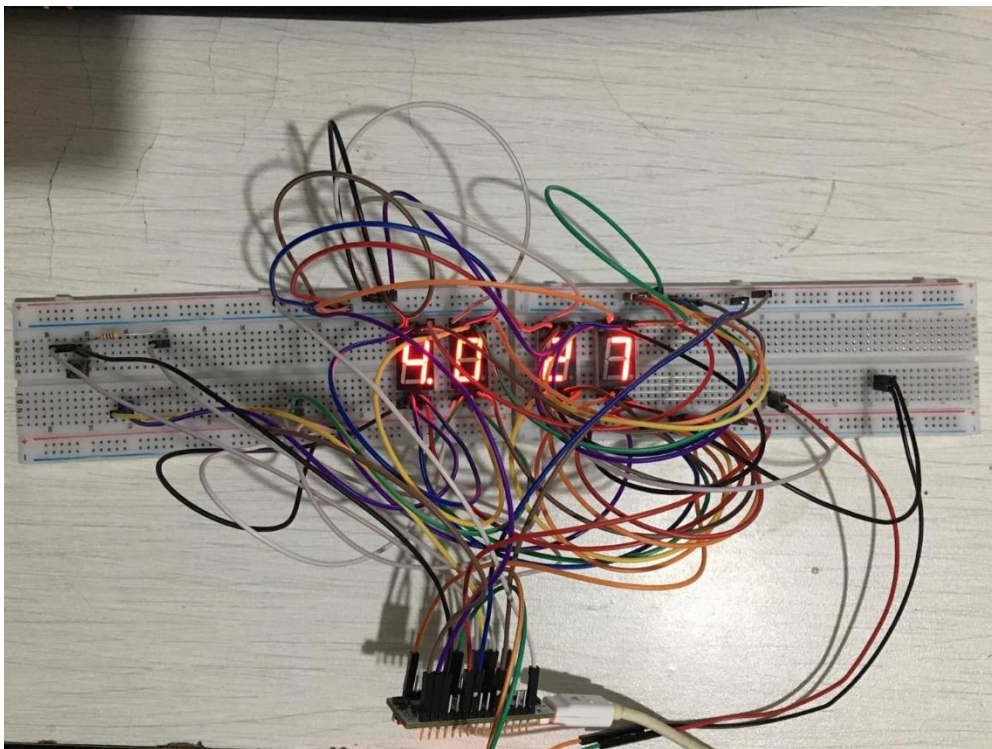
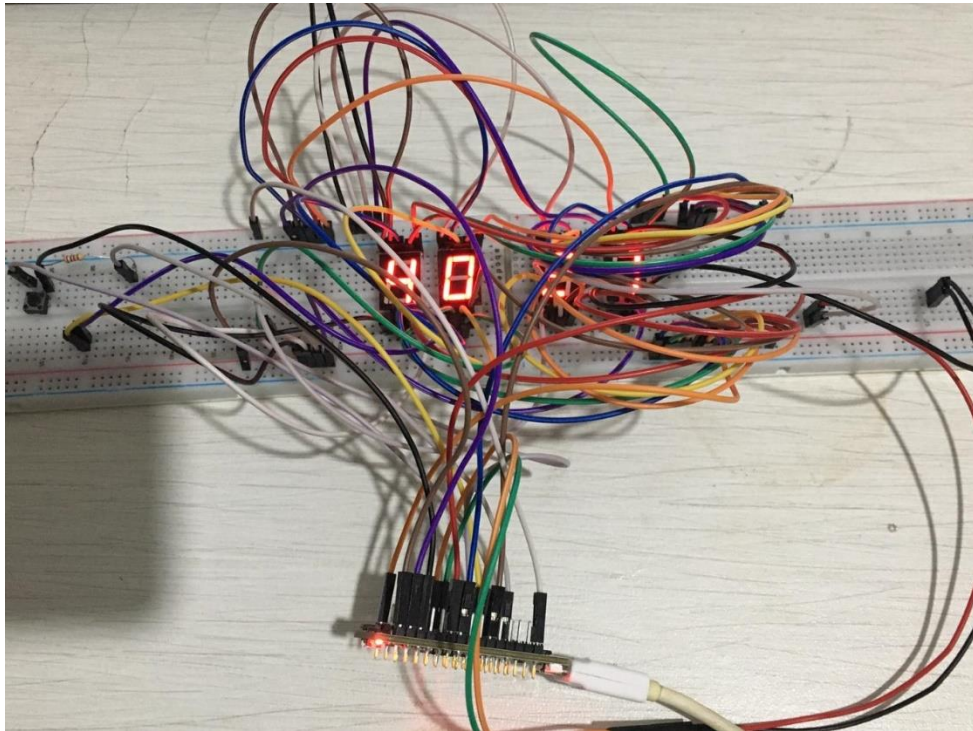
## 6. BLOCK DIAGRAM



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## 7. PICTURES:



## 8. CODE:

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/*
 * project1.s
 *
 * author: Mehmet Akif GÜMÜŞ
 *
 * description:
     My objective for this project is to implement a
     randomized counter in Assembly. A 4-digit SSD
     should be connected that will display your ID (last 4 digits) when
     your code is not counting (idle
     state). When an external button is pressed, it will generate a 4-
     digit random number, and start
     counting down to 0. The generated random number should be between
     1000 - 9999. When the
     counter reaches 0, the number 0000 should be displayed for a second,
     then the code should go
     back to idle state waiting for the next button press. Pressing the
     button while counting down
     should pause counting, and pressing again should resume counting.
 */

.syntax unified
.cpu cortex-m0plus
.fpu softvfp
.thumb

/* make linker see this */
.global Reset_Handler

/* get these from linker script */
.word _sdata
.word _edata
.word _sbss
.word _ebss

/* define peripheral addresses from RM0444 page 57, Tables 3-4 */
.equ RCC_BASE,      (0x40021000)          // RCC base address
.equ RCC_IOPENR,    (RCC_BASE + (0x34)) // RCC IOPENR register
offset

.equ GPIOA_BASE,     (0x50000000)          // GPIOA base address
.equ GPIOA_MODER,    (GPIOA_BASE + (0x00)) // GPIOA MODER register
offset
.equ GPIOA_ODR,      (GPIOA_BASE + (0x14)) // GPIOA ODR input
offset

.equ GPIOB_BASE,     (0x50000400)          // GPIOB base address
.equ GPIOB_MODER,    (GPIOB_BASE + (0x00)) // GPIOB MODER register
offset
.equ GPIOB_IDR,      (GPIOB_BASE + (0x10)) // GPIOB IDR input
offset
.equ GPIOB_ODR,      (GPIOB_BASE + (0x14)) // GPIOB ODR output
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offset

/* vector table, +1 thumb mode */
.section .vectors
vector_table:
    .word _estack           /* Stack pointer */
    .word Reset_Handler +1 /* Reset handler */
    .word Default_Handler +1 /* NMI handler */
    .word Default_Handler +1 /* HardFault handler */
    /* add rest of them here if needed */

/* reset handler */
.section .text
Reset_Handler:
    /* set stack pointer */
    ldr r0, =_estack
    mov sp, r0

    /* initialize data and bss
     * not necessary for rom only code
     */
    bl init_data
    /* call main */
    bl main
    /* trap if returned */
    b .

/* initialize data and bss sections */
.section .text
init_data:

    /* copy rom to ram */
    ldr r0, =_sdata
    ldr r1, =_edata
    ldr r2, =_sidata
    movs r3, #0
    b LoopCopyDataInit

CopyDataInit:
    ldr r4, [r2, r3]
    str r4, [r0, r3]
    adds r3, r3, #4

LoopCopyDataInit:
    adds r4, r0, r3
    cmp r4, r1
    bcc CopyDataInit

/* zero bss */
ldr r2, =_sbss

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    ldr r4, =_ebss
    movs r3, #0
    b LoopFillZerobss

FillZerobss:
    str r3, [r2]
    adds r2, r2, #4

LoopFillZerobss:
    cmp r2, r4
    bcc FillZerobss

    bx lr

/* default handler */
.section .text
Default_Handler:
    b Default_Handler

/* main function */
.section .text
main:

    /* sent clock for enable GPIOC, bit2 on IOPENR */
    ldr r6, =RCC_IOPENR
    ldr r5, [r6]
    movs r4, 0x3
    orrs r5, r5, r4
    str r5, [r6]

    /* the MODER's bits (19-0) setup */
    /* PB0-PB7 SSD pins are enable for "01" as output*/
    /* PB9 pushbutton pin is enable for "00" as input*/
    /* PB8 LED pin is enable for "01" as output*/

    ldr r6, =GPIOB_MODER
    ldr r5, [r6]
    ldr r4, = #0x000FFFFFFF
    bics r5, r5, r4          // it clears bits from r4 which is
'1' to '0' zero on r5
    ldr r4, = #0xFFF15555 // 1111 1111 1111 0001 0101 0101 0101 0101
    orrs r5, r5, r4
    str r5, [r6]

    /* the MODER's bits (15-8) setup*/
    /* seperate digit PB8-PB5 SSD print control pins are enable
for "01" as output*/

    ldr r6, =GPIOA_MODER
    ldr r5, [r6]
    ldr r4, = #0x0000FF00 // 0000 0000 0000 0000 1111 1111 0000 0000
    bics r5, r5, r4          // it clears bits from r4 which is

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'1' to '0' zero on r5
    ldr r4, = #0xEBFF55FF // 1110 1011 1111 1111 0101 0101 1111 1111
    orrs r5, r5, r4
    str r5, [r6]

// my ID is 171024027
//(last 4 digits) 4027

ID_print:

    /* print first index */
    ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
    ldr r4, =#0b10000
    str r4, [r6]
    movs r7, #7 //7
    bl print_units

    ldr r1, =#10000
    bl delay
    /*////////////////////////*/
    /* print second index */
    ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
    movs r4, #0b100000 //2
    str r4, [r6]
    movs r7, #2
    bl print_units

    ldr r1, =#10000
    bl delay
    /*////////////////////////*/
    /* print third index */
    ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
    ldr r4, =#0b1000000 //0
    str r4, [r6]
    movs r7, #0
    bl print_units

    ldr r1, =#10000
    bl delay
    /*////////////////////////*/
    /* print fourth index */
    ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
    ldr r4, =#0b10000000 //4
    str r4, [r6]
    movs r7, #4
    bl print_units

    ldr r1, =#10000
    bl delay
    /*////////////////////////*/

    movs r3, #0 // r3 holds working status and und

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        b bcontrol_1

print_units:                //comparing the number which is on
binary with its decimal type

        ldr r6, = GPIOB_ODR

        cmp r7, #9
        beq digit9

        cmp r7, #8
        beq digit8

        cmp r7, #7
        beq digit7

        cmp r7, #6
        beq digit6

        cmp r7, #5
        beq digit5

        cmp r7, #4
        beq digit4

        cmp r7, #3
        beq digit3

        cmp r7, #2
        beq digit2

        cmp r7, #1
        beq digit1

        cmp r7, #0
        beq digit0

digit0:
        movs r4, #0b1000000
        str r4, [r6]
        bx lr

digit1:
        movs r4, #0b1111001
        str r4, [r6]
        bx lr

digit2:
        movs r4, #0b0100100
        str r4, [r6]
        bx lr

```

**digit3:**

```
movs r4, #0b0110000
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**digit4:**

```
movs r4, #0b0011001
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**digit5:**

```
movs r4, #0b0010010
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**digit6:**

```
movs r4, #0b0000010
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**digit7:**

```
movs r4, #0b1111000
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**digit8:**

```
movs r4, #0b0
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**digit9:**

```
movs r4, #0b0010000
str r4, [r6]
bx lr
```

**bcontrol\_1:**

```
/* read button connected with PB9 addressed in IDR*/
ldr r6, = GPIOB_IDR
ldr r5, [r6]
lsrs r5, r5, #9
movs r4, #0x1
ands r5, r5, r4

ldr r1, =#10
bl delay

/*control button value*/
cmp r5, #0x1
beq bpress_1
```

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    cmp r3, #0x1
    beq random_number_generate
    bne ID_print

bpress_1:

    cmp r3, #0x1
    beq resume_p
    bne pause_r

resume_p: //resume to pause: pause the number while counting down
    movs r3, #0
    b bcontrol_1

pause_r: //pause to pause: continues to count from where it left off
    movs r3, #1

movs r2, #0
random_number_generate: //normally it has to be a random number
generator but i could not find out how i can do that
    adds r2, r2, #1 //i put a data to countdown.

    ldr r2, =#2879

counter:

    push {r3}
    subs r2, r2, #1

    ldr r0, =#10

print_counter:

    movs r3, #0
    movs r4, r2
    movs r6, #10

unit0:
    cmp r6, r4
    bcs unit0_end
    subs r4, r6
    adds r3, #1
    b unit0
unit0_end:
    muls r3, r3, r6
    subs r4, r2, r3
    movs r7, r4

    ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
    ldr r4, =#0b10000
    str r4, [r6]
    bl print_units //1

```

```

        ldr r1, =#1000
        bl delay

        movs r3, #0
        movs r4, r2
        movs r5, #10
        movs r6, #100
unit1:
        cmp r6, r4
        bcs unit1_end
        subs r4, r6
        adds r3, #1
        b unit1
unit1_end:

        muls r3, r3, r6
        subs r4, r2, r3//
        movs r7, r4
        movs r3, #0
unit1_x:
        cmp r5, r7
        bcs unit1_x_end
        subs r7, r5
        adds r3, #1
        b unit1_x
unit1_x_end:
        movs r7, r3

        ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
        ldr r4, =#0b100000
        str r4, [r6]
        bl print_units //1

        ldr r1, =#1000
        bl delay

        movs r3, #0
        movs r4, r2
        movs r5, #100
        ldr r6, =#1000
unit2:
        cmp r6, r4
        bcs unit2_end
        subs r4, r6
        adds r3, #1
        b unit2
unit2_end:

        muls r3, r3, r6
        subs r4, r2, r3//
        movs r7, r4

```

```

        movs r3, #0
unit2_x:
        cmp r5, r7
        bcs unit2_x_end
        subs r7, r5
        adds r3, #1
        b unit2_x
unit2_x_end:
        movs r7, r3

        ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
        ldr r4, =#0b10000000
        str r4, [r6]
        bl print_units //1

        ldr r1, =#1000
        bl delay

        movs r3, #0
        movs r4, r2
        ldr r5, =#1000
        ldr r6, =#10000
unit3:
        cmp r6, r4
        bcs unit3_end
        subs r4, r6
        adds r3, #1
        b unit3
unit3_end:

        muls r3, r3, r6
        subs r4, r2, r3//
        movs r7, r4
        movs r3, #0
unit3_x:
        cmp r5, r7
        bcs unit3_x_end
        subs r7, r5
        adds r3, #1
        b unit3_x
unit3_x_end:
        movs r7, r3

        ldr r6, =GPIOA_ODR
        ldr r4, =#0b10000000
        str r4, [r6]
        bl print_units //1

        ldr r1, =#1000
        bl delay

        subs r0, r0, #1
        bne print_counter

```



```
pop {r3}
```

#### **bcontrol\_2:**

```
/* read button connected to PB9 addressed at IDR*/
ldr r6, = GPIOB_IDR
ldr r5, [r6]
lsrs r5, r5, #9
movs r4, #0x1
ands r5, r5, r4

ldr r1, =#10000
bl delay
/*check button value*/
cmp r5, #0x1
beq button_press_2

cmp r3, #0x1
beq compare_zero
bne print_counter
```

#### **button\_press\_2:**

```
cmp r3, #0x1
beq resume_p_2
bne pause_r_2
```

#### **resume\_p\_2:**

```
movs r3, #0
b bcontrol_2
```

#### **pause\_r\_2:**

```
movs r3, #1
```

#### **compare\_zero:**

```
cmp r2, #0
beq display_on
bl counter
```

#### **display\_on:**

```
movs r3, #0
bl ID_print
```

#### **delay:**

```
subs r1, r1, #1
bne delay
bx lr
```

```
b .
```

```
/* this should never get executed */
nop
```

## 9. PARTS LIST:

	PRICE LIST	
MATERIAL	PIECE	PRICE
Bread board	1	10 TL
Stm GO31K8	1	105 TL
Resistor	4	10 TL
Seven segment display	4	10 TL
Led	1	0,50 TL
Button	1	0,50 TL
jumper	50	0,25 TL

## 10.CONCLUSION:

The subject of this project is to write a function that generates random numbers in assembly language and display the generated number on the seven segment display. Before starting to write the code, a flowchart was created and a blockdiagram was drawn so that the flowchart was used while writing the code. While the system is idle, that is, it is not counting down from any random numbers, the last four digits of our school number were displayed on the seven segment display. When the button is pressed, it starts counting down from the number generated by the random number generator function. But here, despite my long research, I could not come to a conclusion. I've tried several ways to generate a random number, one of which is to measure how many milliseconds the button is active while the button is pressed, and generate a random number with the resulting random number. Since it would be a millisecond precision measurement, I would be able to get a random number each time. However, I encountered many problems and could not achieve the result I wanted. When I could not solve the situation, I made a fixed data entry myself to show that the rest of the code was working. The countdown starts from this number. As you can see, when the button is pressed, the number stops counting down and when the countdown is over, the last four digits of my school number appear on the screen. It took a lot of effort while establishing connections on the breadboard because: although I connected the same inputs of the seven segment displays in parallel to each other from a single input, I used a lot of jumpers. This caused a lot of wrong connections. When it comes to the final stage of the project, the last 4 digits of the school number were shown on the screen without creating a random variable, and a random number entered by me was reduced one by one so that each digit reached zero.

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- <https://app.diagrams.net/>