# **Chapter 8**

# Digital and Analog Interfacing Methods



# Key, keypad and keyboard

# **Single Key Interface**



### Scan (H) and Return (V) Lines

- Scan start by sending Send\_out\_bit = 0 and
- If return line Recv\_in\_bit becomes 0, it means key (switch) pressed
- If return line Recv\_in\_bit remains 1, it means key (switch) not pressed

## Return line after scan line forced at 0

# Time ms

# 1 0 Bounces key stable



Start

# **Hardware debouncing**



### **Hardware debouncing**



### **Key debouncing routine**

### **Software Debouncing Algorithm**

- Assume t > 5 ms required to settle the bounce and Assume 0 acceptable if no bounce for consecutive 5 ms
- Check 0 consecutively after period t > 5 ms from scan start
- If 5 times 0 is found then key accepted as pressed and Recv\_in\_bit accepted = 0
- Refer text for details of algorithm

### **Interfacing an array of keys**

#### Key array to a Port



### **4-Keys Software Debouncing**

- Assume t > 5 ms required to settle the bounce. Assume 0 acceptable if no bounce for consecutive 5 ms
- Check each return line for 0 consecutively after period t > 5 ms from scan start
- If 5 times 0 is found then key accepted as pressed and Recv\_in\_bit accepted = 0
- Refer text for details of algorithm

### **Interface to a Keypad Interface**

# **Keypad of 16 keys**

4 scan lines



### 16-Keys Cyclic scan

• Four scan line are given outputs 1110, 1101,1011, 011 cyclically at intervals periods  $4 \times \Delta T$  and the four return lines are read within the intervals of  $\Delta T$ 

• Each line reading is accepted as the port inputs after an algorithm debounces each line and 0 is found for consecutive 5 ms after 5 ms from the scan start.

# **Keyboard Interface**

### 64-Keys plus Shift and control two keys Board

- Assume 64 keys
- Shift and control two keys

### 64-Keys Cyclic scan

- 64 keys need 8 scan lines and 8 return lines
- Three bits used to generate 8 scan lines using decoder for encoded bits for scan
- Three encoded scan lines at the port generate as per a 3-bit counter output, generating sequences 000, 001,...,110, 111
- The 3 to 8 decoder output is 0 only at one of the 8 internal scan lines S0,S1, S2, ...,S7.

### **64-Keys Cyclic scan**

- The scan is at intervals of  $\Delta T$  when counter is counting at the  $\Delta T^{-1}$
- During the successive interval  $\Delta T$  the return lines are internally debounced by hardware and encoded for sending the 3 port input bits.

### **64-Keys return lines**

• 8 return lines

• Three bits receive after encoding 8 return lines using an encoder for return lines

• The 8 to 3 encoder input is 000, 001, .. 110, 111 as per which of the 8 internal return lines R0,R1, R2, ..., R7 is at 0 after internal debouncing.

### Shift and control two keys Scan and Return lines

- 2 scan lines connect to Shift and control two keys.
- Two return lines connect from Shift and control two keys
- 1 scan line used with a decoder 1 to 2
- 1 return line used with an encoder 2 to 1



#### **N-Key rollover and Repeated Character**

- Several keys read in quick successions in a FIFO
- A keyboard controller or software routine takes account of the rollover
- After one scan cycle, if a key is again found pressed, the code for it sent in the FIFO

### Two keys lockout - (only)recognize first pressed key



#### Accidental two adjacent key- press protection

### **Keyboard Controller**

• Instead of using MCU ports, a keyboard controller (KC) does the internal scan counting and scanning KC debounces and encodes the return lines, which connects as address bits to an internal ROM

### **Keyboard Controller**

• The ROM gives ASCII code for each pressed key or each grouping of two or three pressed keys

• KC then sends at UART serial port the ASCII code at baud ~ 1200 baud per second)

105 keys keyboard with shift-key and other keys

• Shift key and other control keys separately scanned.

•Return lines of these are also the input address bits to ROM

• ROM generates ASCII code for UART port for these keys also

### **Keyboard Circuit**

- Internal ROM- return lines address inputs and ASCII codes as data output
- Internal converter to return on a serial UART line at ~1200 baud



### We learnt

- Each key has a scan input and return output
- Each key has a bounce
- Each key needs Hardware debouncing
- Alternative Software debouncing

### We learnt

- Keypad encoded scan inputs
- Encoded or not encoded return inputs
- Protection from two adjacent keys accidental contact

### We learnt

- Keyboard internal encoded scan inputs generator and internal encoded return outputs, that are input addresses to internal ROM
- ROM converts retru line inputs to ASCII codes
- Internal UART interface sends output to serial port