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Today's topics:

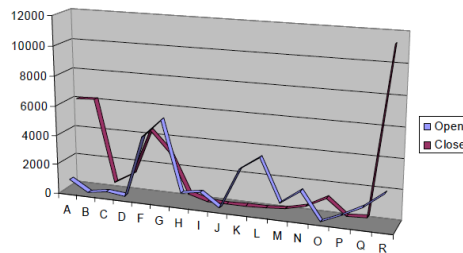
- **Debouncing switches**
 - e.g. matrix keypad
 - lab4 issues

Basic Concepts

- **Switches are often mechanical**
 - **move something and**
 - » **contact is made or broken**
 - **in either case**
 - » **metal rebounds**
 - causing "hash" oscillations in the observed signal
 - source of massive ISR confusion if you're not careful
- **Problem**
 - **make multiple events look like one event**
 - **usual solution**
 - » **hardware debounce**
 - extra logic
 - » **software debounce**
 - focus for this weeks lab
- **See "debouncing.pdf" on the class web site**
 - **figures in the next few slides come from this document**
 - » **thanks to Jack Ganssle for an interesting read**

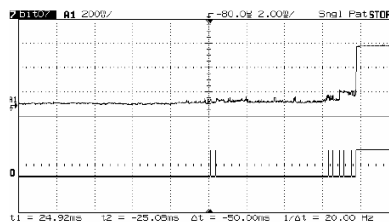
Switch Anatomy

- **Lots of types**
 - SPST, SPDT, DPDT, and beyond
- **How long does a switch bounce**
 - varies with switch type and often assymetric w/ open vs. close
 - » typical a few ms but can be as bad as 100's of ms
 - » also varies even for a single switch
 - min to max can vary by 2x or so
- **Ganssle's findings (bounce times in usec)**



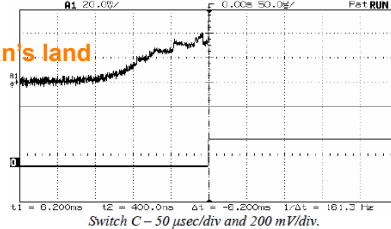
Switches and TTL Sampling Levels

- **Aliasing happens in the analog to digital transition**



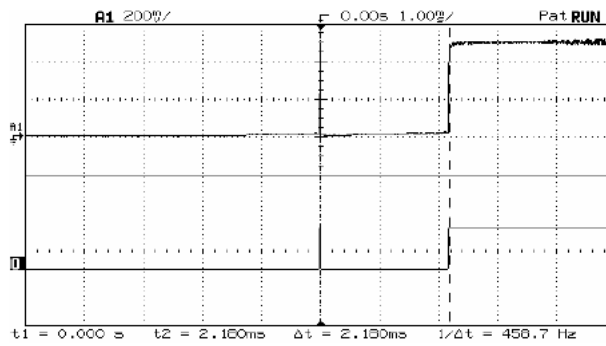
Switch A at 2 msec/div. Note 8 msec of unsettled behavior before it finally decides to open.

TTL no man's land



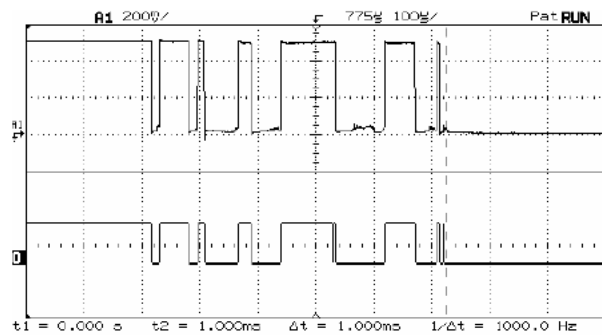
.8 – 2v supposed to be illegal for TTL

Switch G



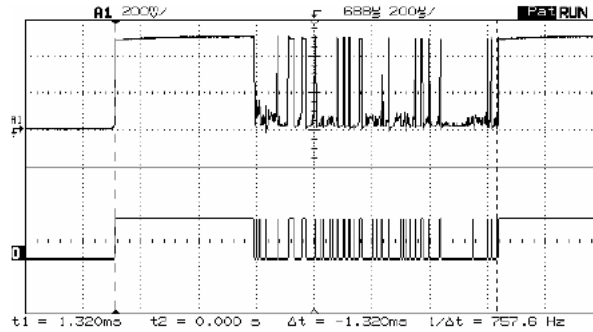
Switch G. One super narrow pulse followed by 2 msec of nothingness. A sure-fire ISR confuser.

Switch O



Switch O, which zaps around enough to confuse dumb debouncers.

Switch Q

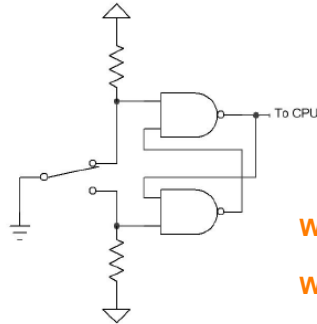


Switch Q – when released, it goes high for 480 μ sec before generating 840 μ sec of hash, a sure way to blow an interrupt system mad if poorly designed.

Bottom Line

- In general
 - characterize the switches before you use them
 - » a thorough test takes a lot of time
 - vary how you activate
 - take scope traces
 - use multiple versions of the same switch
 - PCB mounted switches are often better than these somewhat pathological examples
 - » but it is wise to check
 - weird behavior or intermittent failure
 - » suspect your debounce method

SR Latch HW Debouncer



Why does it work?

What switch property is required?

Downside?

SR Software Equivalent

- **Simplest possible code**

- **examine both inputs**

- » **one will bounce the other won't**
 - » **simple loop**

```
if (switch_hi()) state=ON;  
if (switch_lo()) state=OFF;
```

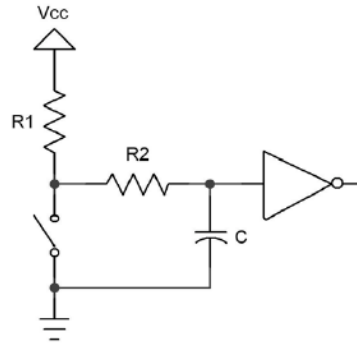
- » **problems**

- **2 input capture pins required**
 - **SPDT switches are more costly and bulky**
 - rarely found on PCB's these days

RC Debouncer

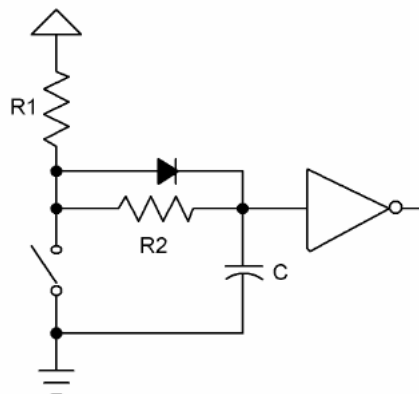
- **Simple**
 - but hides a lot of complexity
 - need to characterize hash time to know desired RC time constant

What's tricky here?

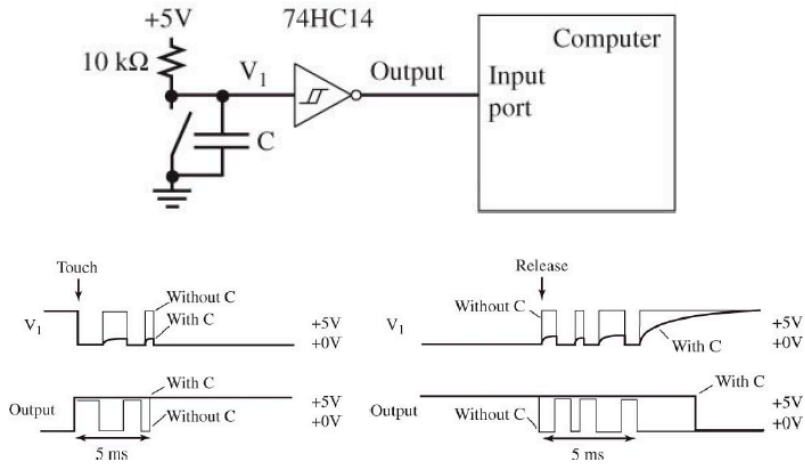


A Better RC Debouncer

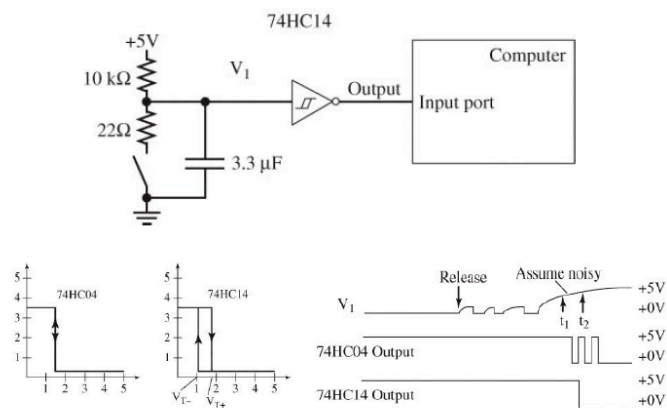
- **Why is this one better?**



Schmitt Trigger Debounce



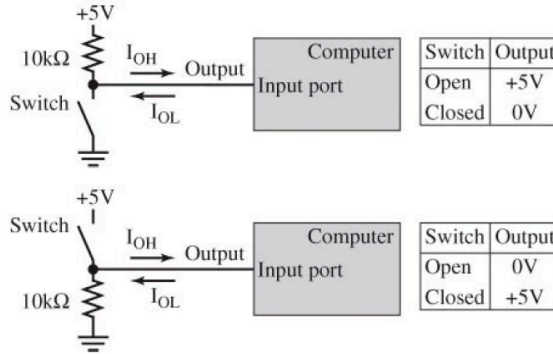
2R Schmitt Debounce



Similar slew decoupling issue but w/ hysteresis

Switch Interfaces

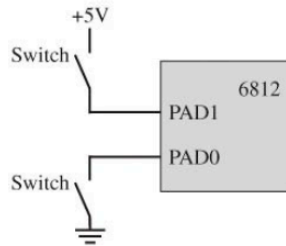
- **HW debouncers make SW's life easier**
 - **but adds to cost**
 - **so let's consider a direct SPST interface w/ SW debounce**
 - » **6812 style**



6812 Ports

- **Ports AD, J, M, P, S and T**
 - **support both internal pull-ups and pull-down resistors**
 - » **note to use port AD as a digital port**
 - **corresponding bits in ATDDIEN must be set**
 - **Port Pull Select Register must be set**
 - » **PPSAD, PPSJ, PPSP, PPSM, PPSS, PPST**
 - **pull-up =0, pull-down=1**
 - **Pull Enable Register**
 - » **PERAD, PERJ, PERP, PERM, PERS, PERT**
 - **enables the pull-up or pull-down function**
 - **Note**
 - » **first set PPSx then PERx**
 - » **if enable happens before select then get signals in possibly the wrong polarity**

Port AD Initialization Example

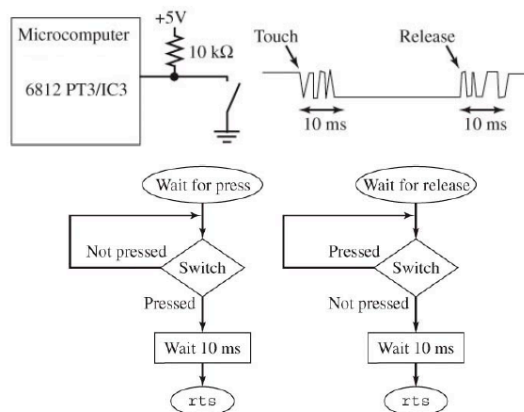


```

void PortAD_Init(void){
    ATDDIEN |= 0x03; // PAD1-0 digital I/O
    DDRAD  &= ~0x03; // PAD1-0 inputs
    PPSAD  |= 0x02; // pull-down on PAD1
    PPSAD  &= ~0x01; // pull-up on PADO
    PERAD  |= 0x03; // enable pull-up and pull-down
}
    
```

Software Debounce Model

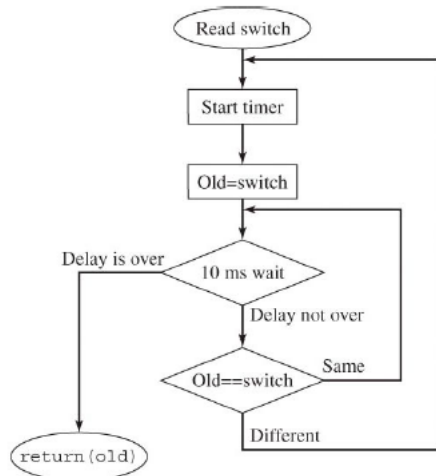
- Assume bounce time <10ms



Software Debounce w/ Gadfly Timer

```
void Key_WaitPress(void){
    while(PTT&0x08); // PT3=0 when pressed
    Timer_Wait10ms(1); // debouncing
}
void Key_WaitRelease(void){
    while((PTT&0x08)==0); // PT3=1 -> released
    Timer_Wait10ms(1); // debouncing
}
void Key_Init(void){
    Timer_Init();
    DDRT &=~0x08; // PT3 is input
}
```

SW Debounce Version 2



This version returns a new value every time switch position changes

Unified press and release functions

Same <10ms hash assumption

Timer Control & Output Compare

- **Use**
 - **create squarewaves, generate pulses, implement time delays, generate periodic interrupts**
- **6812 has 8 output compare modules**
 - **Each module has**
 - » **external output pin (Ocn)**
 - » **flag bit, interrupt mask bit, and 16-bit output compare register**
 - » **force output compare bit (FOCn)**
 - » **two mode bits (OMn OIn)**

Table 15-9. Compare Result Output Action

OMx	OLx	Action
0	0	Timer disconnected from output pin logic
0	1	Toggle OCx output line
1	0	Clear OCx output line to zero
1	1	Set OCx output line to one

MC9S12 reference manual

Output Compare Process Example

- **Basic steps**
 - **read the current 16-bit TCNT**
 - **calculate TCNT+delay**
 - **set output compare register to TCNT+delay**
 - **clear the output compare flag**
 - **wait for the output compare flag to be set**
- **Essentially another SW debounce approach**

Output Compare

```
void Key_Init(void) {
    TIOS |= 0x20;    // enable OC5 (see Chapter 6)
    TSCR1 = 0x80;   // enable
    TSCR2 = 0x01;   // 500 ns clock
    DDRT &=~0x08;} // PT3 is input
unsigned char Key_Read(void){
    unsigned char old;
    old = PTT&0x08; // Current value
    TC5 = TCNT+20000; // 10ms delay
    TFLG1 = 0x20;   // Clear C5F
    while((TFLG1&0x20)==0){ // 10ms
        if(old!=(PTT&0x08)){ // changed?
            old = PTT&0x08; // New value
            TC5 = TCNT+20000;}} // restart delay
    return(old); }
```

Debouncing Multiple Switches

```
#define MAX_CHECKS 10
uint8_t Debounced_State;
uint8_t State[MAX_CHECKS];
uint8_t Index;

void DebounceSwitches(void) {
    uint8_t i,j;
    State[Index] = ReadKeys();
    Index++;
    j = 0xff;
    for(i=0;i<MAX_CHECKS-1;i++) {
        j &= State[i];
    }
    Debounced_State ^= j;
    if(Index >= MAX_CHECKS) { Index = 0; }
}
```

Based on "My favorite software debouncers" by Jack Ganssle.

Interfacing Multiple Keys

- **3 basic methods**

- **direct – input pin per switch**

- » **downside is what happens if you have more switches than input pins**
 - » **upside – you can recognize every possible switch combination**
 - note this doesn't matter in a keyboard where one switch is pressed at a time
 - or very few – e.g. Shift, CTL, FN, ...

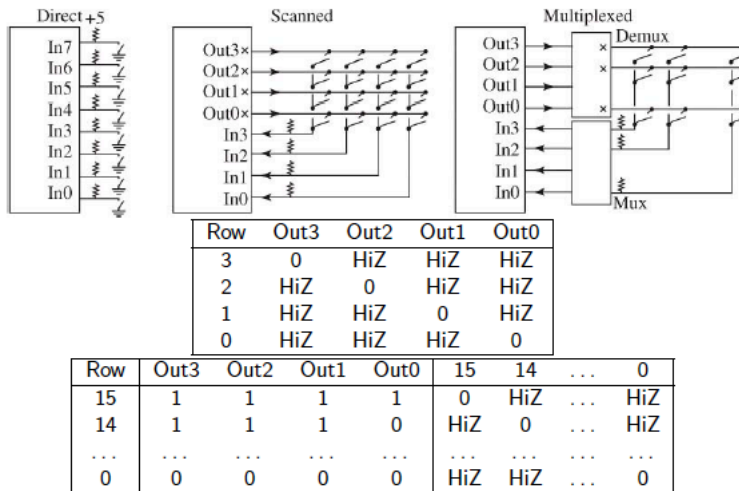
- **scanned**

- » **keys belong to a matrix**
 - know the row and column and you know which key
 - 6812 drives one row low at each step (enables the row)
 - column values indicate which key in that row was pushed

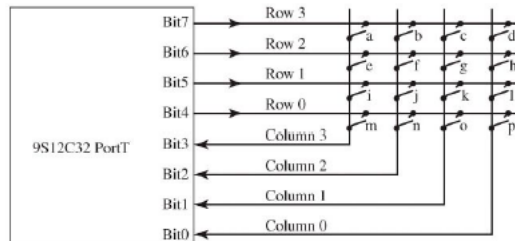
- **multiplexed**

- » **same idea but uses less pins (e.g. $\log_2 n$)**
 - put out binary value of the row
 - demux generates the one-hot code similar to the scanned mode
 - mux on the way back in does the symmetric function

3 Approach View



4x4 Scanned Keypad



Row 3	Row 2	Row 1	Row 0	Col 3	Col 2	Col 1	Col 0
0	1	1	1	a	b	c	d
1	0	1	1	e	f	g	h
1	1	0	1	i	j	k	l
1	1	1	1	m	n	o	p

4x4 Keypad

- **Two steps to scan a particular row:**
 - **select row by driving it low**
 - » **other rows stay HI-Z**
 - **read the columns to discover which key is pressed**
 - » **0 → pressed in this case due to pull-up**
- **Works if**
 - **no key is pressed**
 - **1 key is pressed**
 - **2 keys are pressed**
 - » **note general case would allow up to 4**

4x4 Handler Code

```
const struct Row
{ unsigned char direction;
  unsigned char keycode[4];}
typedef const struct Row RowType;
RowType ScanTab[5]={
{ 0x80, "abcd" }, // row 3
{ 0x40, "efgh" }, // row 2
{ 0x20, "ijkl" }, // row 1
{ 0x10, "mnop" }, // row 0
{ 0x00, "   " }};
void Key_Init(void){
  DDRT = 0x00; // PT3-PT0 inputs
  PTT = 0;    // PT7-PT4 oc output
  PPST = 0;   // pull-up on PT3-PT0
  PERT = 0x0F;}
```

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4x4 Code (cont'd)

```
/* Returns ASCII code for key pressed,
   Num is the number of keys pressed
   both equal zero if no key pressed */
unsigned char Key_Scan(short *Num){
  RowType *pt; unsigned char column,key;
  short j;
  (*Num)=0; key=0; // default values
  pt=&ScanTab[0];
  while(pt->direction){
    DDRT = pt->direction; // one output
    column = PTT; // read columns
    for(j=3; j>=0; j--){
      if((column&0x01)==0){
        key = pt->keycode[j];
        (*Num)++;}
      column>>=1;} // shift into position
    pt++; }
  return key;}
```

Concluding Remarks

- **Controller sits in a sea of I's and O's**
 - **might be a tight connection – e.g. keypad**
 - » **O's say what we care about**
 - » **I's say given what you care about this is what happened**
- **Output compare tied to inputs are useful**
 - **6812 supports them**
- **All switches are not created equal**
 - **need to understand what you're working with**
 - » **then you'll know the debounce strategy**
 - **fortunately the 6812 understands most of this inequality**
 - » **and provides relatively simple & useful interface options**
- **Non-switch interfaces**
 - **analog input values**
 - » **must convert to digital via AD port**
 - **digital inputs – these are the simple ones**