GSM Based Remote Energy Meter Monitoring

Introduction

The purpose of this project is to remote monitoring and control of the Domestic Energy meter. This system enables the Electricity Department to read the meter readings regularly without the person visiting each house. This can be achieved by the use of microcontroller unit that continuously monitors and records the Energy Meter readings in its permanent (non-volatile) memory location. This system also makes use of a GSM modem for remote monitoring and control of Energy Meter.

The Microcontroller based system continuously records the readings and the live meter reading can be sent to the Electricity department on request. This system also can be used to disconnect the power supply to the house in case of non-payment of electricity bills. A dedicated GSM modem with SIM card is required for each energy meter.

The major building blocks of this project are:

Microcontroller based control system with regulated power supply.

- GSM Modem for remote communication
- Electromagnetic Relay and Relay Driver for Power Supply Control.
- Digital Energy Meter.
- LCD Display to display the meter readings.

HARDWARE USED

1. GSM Modem for remote communication
2. Electromagnetic Relay and Relay Driver for Power Supply Control.
4. LCD Display to display the meter readings.

SOFTWARE USED

1. Keil u-Vision 3.0
Keil Software is used provide you with software development tools for 8051 based microcontrollers. With the Keil tools, you can generate embedded applications for virtually every 8051 derivative. The supported microcontrollers are listed in the µ-vision

2. PRO51 Programmer Software

THEORY OF OPERATION

In this project we interfaced 8051 microcontroller with Motorola’s C168 GSM mobile phone to decode the received message and do the required action. The protocol used for the communication between the two is AT command. The microcontroller pulls the SMS received by phone, decode it, recognizes the Mobile no. and then switches on the relays attached to its port to control the appliances. After successful operation, controller sends back the acknowledgement to the user’s mobile through SMS.

AT-Command set

The following section describes the AT-Command set. The commands can be tried out by connecting a GSM modem to one of the PC’s COM ports. Type in the test-command, adding CR + LF (Carriage return + Line feed = \r\n) before executing. Table gives an overview of the implemented AT-Commands in this application. The use of the commands is described in the later sections.

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<td>AT</td>
<td>Check if serial interface and GSM modem is working.</td>
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<td>ATE0</td>
<td>Turn echo off, less traffic on serial line.</td>
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<td>AT+CNMI</td>
<td>Display of new incoming SMS.</td>
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<td>AT+CPMS</td>
<td>Selection of SMS memory.</td>
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<td>AT+CMGF</td>
<td>SMS string format, how they are compressed.</td>
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<td>AT+CMGR</td>
<td>Read new message from a given memory location.</td>
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<td>AT+CMGS</td>
<td>Send message to a given recipient.</td>
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<td>AT+CMGD</td>
<td>Delete message.</td>
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A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO 8051 MICROCONTROLLER:

When we have to learn about a new computer we have to familiarize about the machine capability we are using, and we can do it by studying the internal hardware design (devices architecture), and also to know about the size, number and the size of the registers.

A microcontroller is a single chip that contains the processor (the CPU), non-volatile memory for the program (ROM or flash), volatile memory for input and output (RAM), a clock and an I/O control unit. Also called a "computer on a chip," billions of microcontroller units (MCUs) are embedded each year in a myriad of products from toys to appliances to automobiles. For example, a single vehicle can use 70 or more microcontrollers. The following picture describes a general block diagram of microcontroller.

89s52: The AT89S52 is a low-power, high-performance CMOS 8-bit microcontroller with 8K bytes of in-system programmable Flash memory. The device is manufactured using Atmel’s high-density nonvolatile memory technology and is compatible with the industry-standard 80C51 instruction set and pinout. The on-chip Flash allows the program memory to be reprogrammed in-system or by a conventional nonvolatile memory pro-grammer. By combining a versatile 8-bit CPU with in-system programmable Flash on a monolithic chip, the Atmel AT89S52 is a powerful microcontroller, which provides a highly flexible and cost-effective solution to many, embedded control applications. The AT89S52 provides the following standard features: 8K bytes of Flash, 256 bytes of RAM, 32 I/O lines, Watchdog timer, two data pointers, three 16-bit timer/counters, a six-vector two-level interrupt architecture, a full duplex serial port, on-chip oscillator, and clock circuitry. In addition, the AT89S52 is designed with static logic for operation down to zero frequency and supports two software selectable power saving modes. The Idle Mode stops the CPU while allowing the RAM, timer/counters, serial port, and interrupt system to continue functioning. The Power-down mode saves the RAM con-tents but freezes the oscillator, disabiling all other chip functions until the next interrupt.
The hardware is driven by a set of program instructions, or software. Once familiar with hardware and software, the user can then apply the microcontroller to the problems easily.

An entire computer on a single chip.
The pin diagram of the 8051 shows all of the input/output pins unique to microcontrollers:

![Pin Diagram of 8051 Microcontroller](image)

The following are some of the capabilities of 8051 microcontroller.

- Internal ROM and RAM
- I/O ports with programmable pins
- Timers and counters
- Serial data communication

The 8051 architecture consists of these specific features:

- 16 bit PC & data pointer (DPTR)
- 8 bit program status word (PSW)
- 8 bit stack pointer (SP)
- Internal ROM 4k
- Internal RAM of 128 bytes.
- 4 register banks, each containing 8 registers
- 80 bits of general purpose data memory
- 32 input/output pins arranged as four 8 bit ports: P0-P3
- Two 16 bit timer/counters: T0-T1
- Two external and three internal interrupt sources
- Oscillator and clock circuits.

**BLOCK DIAGRAM:**