

Design And Implementaion Of A Microcontroller Based Home Automation System Using Aiwa Remote

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Abstract: -

The need for a remote control system that can control domestic appliances and various lighting points and sockets has often been a concern for users. At times users find it inconvenient and time consuming to go around turning their appliances on or off each time there is power outage or each time they are leaving the house for work. It has also often led to damage of appliances due to the fact that an appliance was not turned off before leaving the house. The Objective of putting up this project, therefore, is to design equipment that can facilitate a convenient and easy way of controlling our domestic appliances, lighting points and sockets especially in powering them, without always going to appliances physically by ourselves. This objective will be accomplished using various components which include a Microcontroller (AT89C51) which acts as the backbone of the project together with other components.

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INTRODUCTION

The ease of putting our appliances, lighting points and sockets on or off has made it necessary to develop this system in order to control our appliances, lighting points and sockets from a central point using a remote control. The issues of always forgetting our appliances ON when leaving the house has often caused fire outbreak and explosion in homes and this is another reason that led to designing and

construction of this project.

One of the earliest examples of remote control was developed in 1893 by Nikola Tesla. With the invention of Relays previously in 1835 by Joseph Henry it became possible to use remote controls to drive other devices. This is because of the ability of the relays to serve as a switch that can control devices when energized by electricity. Again with the invention of Integrated Circuits like 555 timers and Microcontrollers, more functionality was added to the whole concept of Remote control. The first remote, intended to control a television was developed by Zenith Radio Corporation in the early 1950's and made use of wire to connect to the television set. The remote was unofficially called "Lazy Bones". To improve the cumbersome setup, a wireless remote control was created; This Design consists of two sections which are;

- The Transmitting side.
- The receiving side.

The receiving side consists of a power supply section, a microcontroller and Relays. It also houses the Infrared Receiving Sensor circuit. The transmitting side is a smaller component which is a hand-held component.. The transmission side also has a microcontroller which coordinates the various button inputs. The last major component contained in the transmitter side is the Infrared emitter/sender which transmits signals received from the input buttons to the receiving side of the system. This transmission is accomplished wirelessly through the Infrared emitter/sender on the Transmitter section.

This Design can be used by anyone who uses domestic appliances such as lights, fans, bells etc, Thus can be used to power any of these appliances in homes, offices, industries, churches, conference rooms, hospitals, etc at any desired time. This work will basically advance our knowledge on the applications of remote control to control most of our domestic appliances such as lighting points, fans, air-conditions, bells, etc. at easy with the help of microcontroller.

THE PRINCIPLE BEHIND AN INFRARED REMOTE CONTROL: THE PROCESS

Pushing a button on the remote control sets in motion a series of events that causes the controlled device to carry out a command.

The process works something like this:

- 1.You push the "volume up" button on your remote control, causing it to touch the contact beneath it and complete the "volume up" circuit on the circuit board. The integrated circuit detects this.
- 2.The integrated circuit sends the binary "volume up" command to the LED at the front of the remote.
- 3.The LED sends out a series of light pulses that corresponds to the binary "volume up" command.

Examples of remote-control codes are the AIWA Control-S protocol, which is used for AIWA

TVs and includes the following 7-bit binary commands:

Table (1) AIWA Control-S protocol : remote-control codes

Button	Code
1	000 0000
2	000 0001
3	000 0010
4	000 0011
Channel up	001 0000
Channel down	001 0001
Power on	001 0101
Power off	010 1111
Volume up	001 0010
Volume down	001 0011

The remote signal includes more than the command for "volume up," though. It carries several chunks of information to the receiving device, including:

- a "start" command
- the command code for "volume up button"
- the device address (so the receiver knows the data is intended for it)
- a "stop" command (triggered when you release the "volume up" button)

So when you press the "volume up" button on an AIWA TV remote, it sends out a series of pulses that looks something like this:

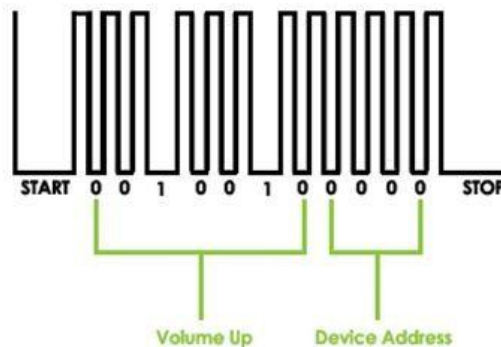


Fig (1) AIWA TV remote, series of pulses

AIWA TV remotes use a space-coding method in which the length of the spaces between pulses of light represents a one or a zero.

When the infrared receiver on the circuit picks up the signal from the remote and verifies from the address code that it's supposed to carry out this command, it converts the light pulses back into the electrical signal for 001 0010. It then passes this signal to the microcontroller, which will use the information to switch the required device.

Infrared remote controls work well enough to have stuck over the years, but they do have some limitations related to the nature of infrared light. First, infrared remotes have a range of only about 30 feet (10 meters), and they require line-of-sight. This means the infrared signal won't transmit through walls or around corners -- you need a straight line to the device you're trying to control. Also, infrared light is so ubiquitous that interference can be a problem with IR remotes. Just a few everyday infrared-light sources include sunlight, fluorescent bulbs and the human body. To avoid interference caused by other sources of infrared light, the infrared receiver on the circuit only responds to a particular wavelength of infrared light, usually 980 nanometers. There are filters on the receiver that block out light at other wavelengths. Still, sunlight can confuse the receiver because it contains infrared light at the 980-nm wavelength. To address this issue, the light from an IR remote control is typically modulated to a frequency not present in sunlight, and the receiver only responds to 980-nm light modulated to that frequency. The system doesn't work perfectly, but it does cut down a great deal on interference.

While infrared remotes are the dominant technology in home-theatre applications, there are other niche-specific remotes that work on radio waves instead of light waves. If you have a garage-door opener, for instance, you have an RF remote.

To allow a good communication using infrared, it is imperative to use a key that can tell the receiver what is the real data transmitted and what is fake.

The Remote control uses 36 KHz (or between 30 and 60 KHz) as its frequency to transmit information.

Infrared light emitted by IR diodes is pulsed at 36 thousand times per second, when transmitting logic level 1 and silence for 0.

A square wave of approximation $27\mu\text{s}$ (microsecond) injected at the base of the transistor, can drive an infrared LED to transmit this pulsating light wave.

Upon its presence, the commercial receiver will switch its output to high level (+5V).

AIWA created the RC5 standard that uses fixed bit length and fixed quantity of bits.

Each time you press a button at the AIWA remote control, it sends a train of 14 bits, 1.728ms per bit, the whole train is repeated every 130ms if you keep the button pressed. Each bit is sliced in two halves. The left and right half has opposed levels.

If the bit to be transmitted is 1, its left side is zero while its right side is one and vice versa. It means that the second half of the bit is actually the same meaning of the bit to be transmitted.

The AIWA remote are 32 pulses per each half of the bit, 64 pulses per bit. So, a bit 0 to be transmitted it mean 32 square pulses of $27\mu\text{s}$ each, then $32 \times 27\mu\text{s}$ of silence. The bit 1 is the opposite, $32 \times 27\mu\text{s}$ of silence followed by 32 square pulses of $27\mu\text{s}$.

➤ Our job here will be to decode the receiving of the waveform at the demodulator output.

- The AIWA sends 14 bits in sequence.
- The first bit, 1 is called AGC calibration. It is in ON level and serves to calibrate the IR receivers Auto Gain Control or for START.
- The second bit, 2 is the CHECK bit, every time you press a key at the remote, even pressing repeatedly the same key this flips state.
- The next 7 bits, 3 to 9 are used for COMMAND bits, or to send which kind of work should be executed.
- The next 4 bits, 10 to 13 are used for DEVICE ADDRESS, or to identify which kind of device should execute the COMMAND bits.
- The last bit, 14 is used for the STOP bit.

Aiwa Remote Used in controlling the Device



Fig2 AIWA TV remote,

1.4 BLOCK DIAGRAM OF THE MAIN CONCEPT OF THE PROJECT [REMOTE CONTROL]

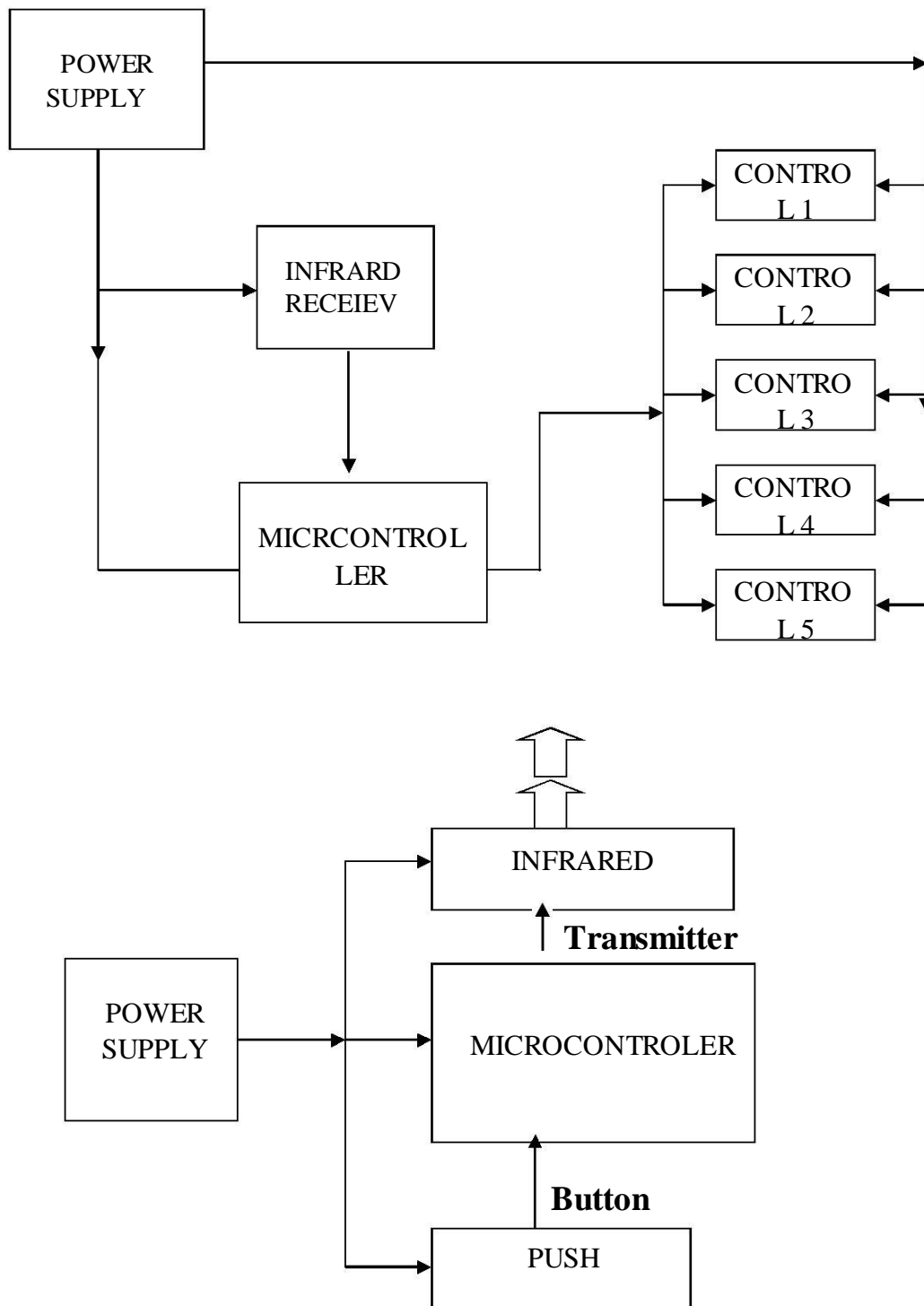


Fig1.1 Block diagram of both sides of a remote

THE HARDWARE SUBSYSTEMS

The design of the essential interfaces and sub sections that makes the two sections of the project is treated here. Their function and mode of operation will be presented here.

The power supply design. Basically, it employs a 5V regulated power supply that powers the microcontroller which needs nothing but a 5V and the NPN transistors used. A 12V supply is also used in the design which is meant to power a 12V relay.

Basic Power Supply Design

There are many types of power supply. Most are designed to convert high voltage AC mains electricity to a suitable low voltage supply for electronic circuits and other devices. A power supply can be broken down into a series of blocks, each of which performs a particular function.

For example a 5V regulated supply:

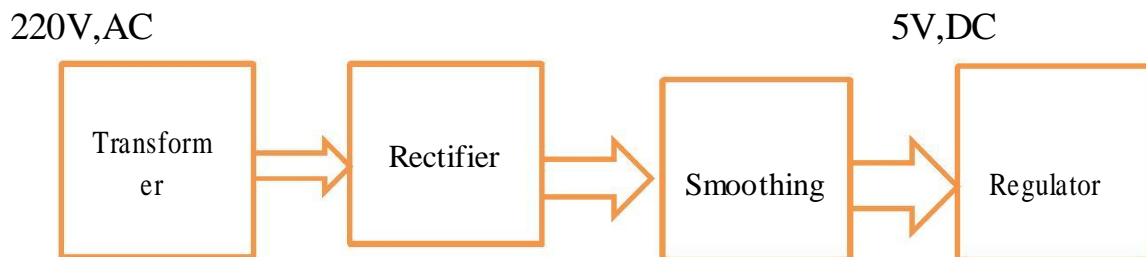
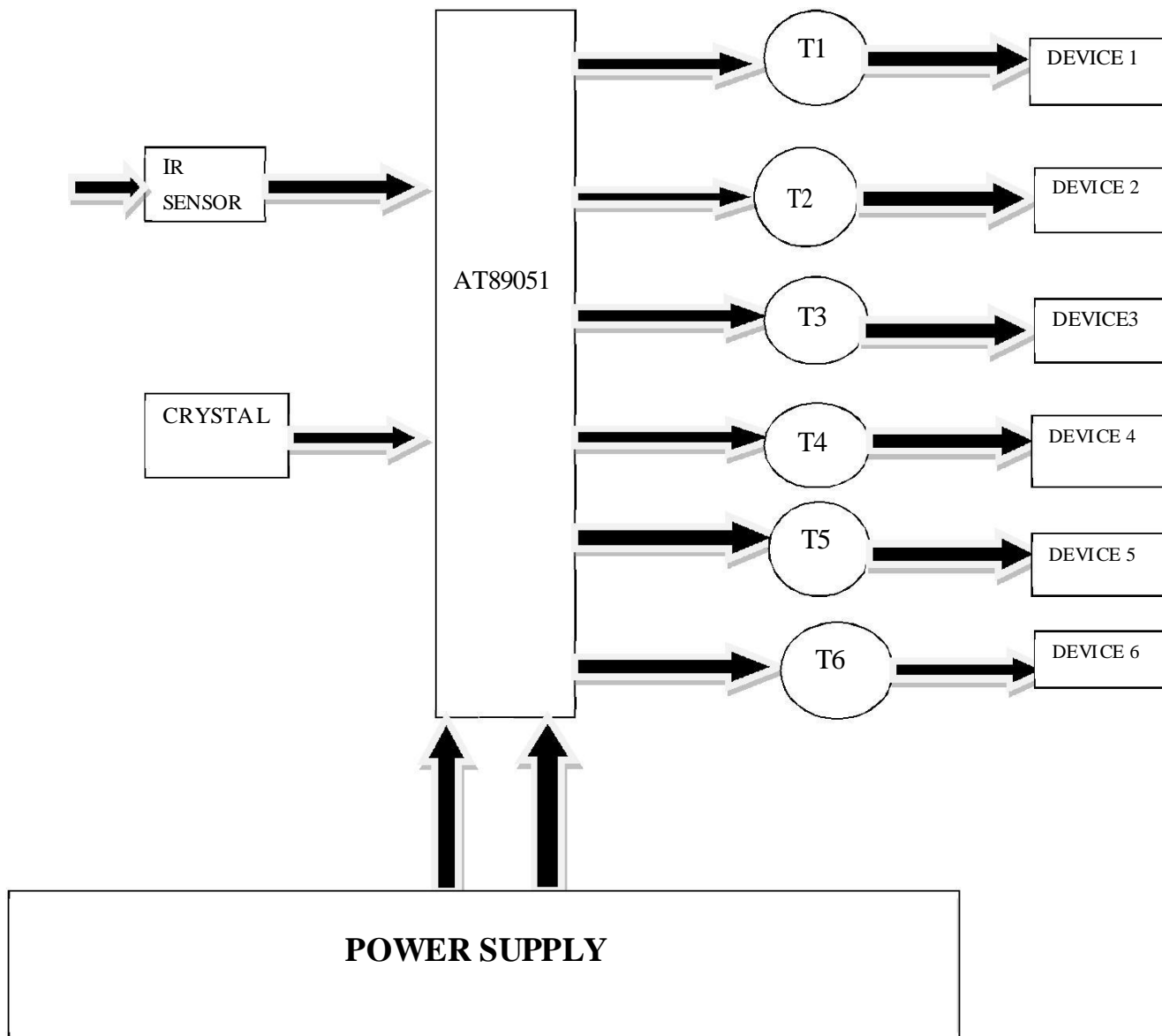


Fig4 Block diagram of power supply

The **varying DC** output is suitable for lamps, heaters and standard motors. It is **not** suitable for electronic circuits unless they include a smoothing capacitor.



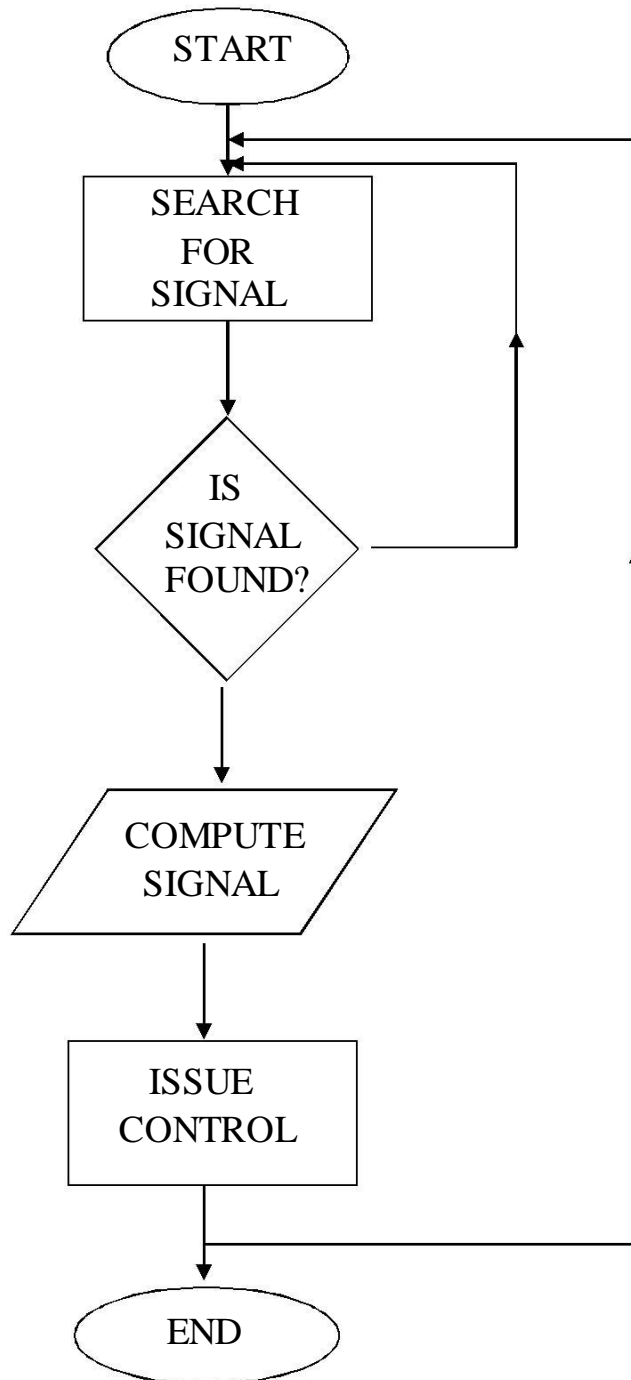
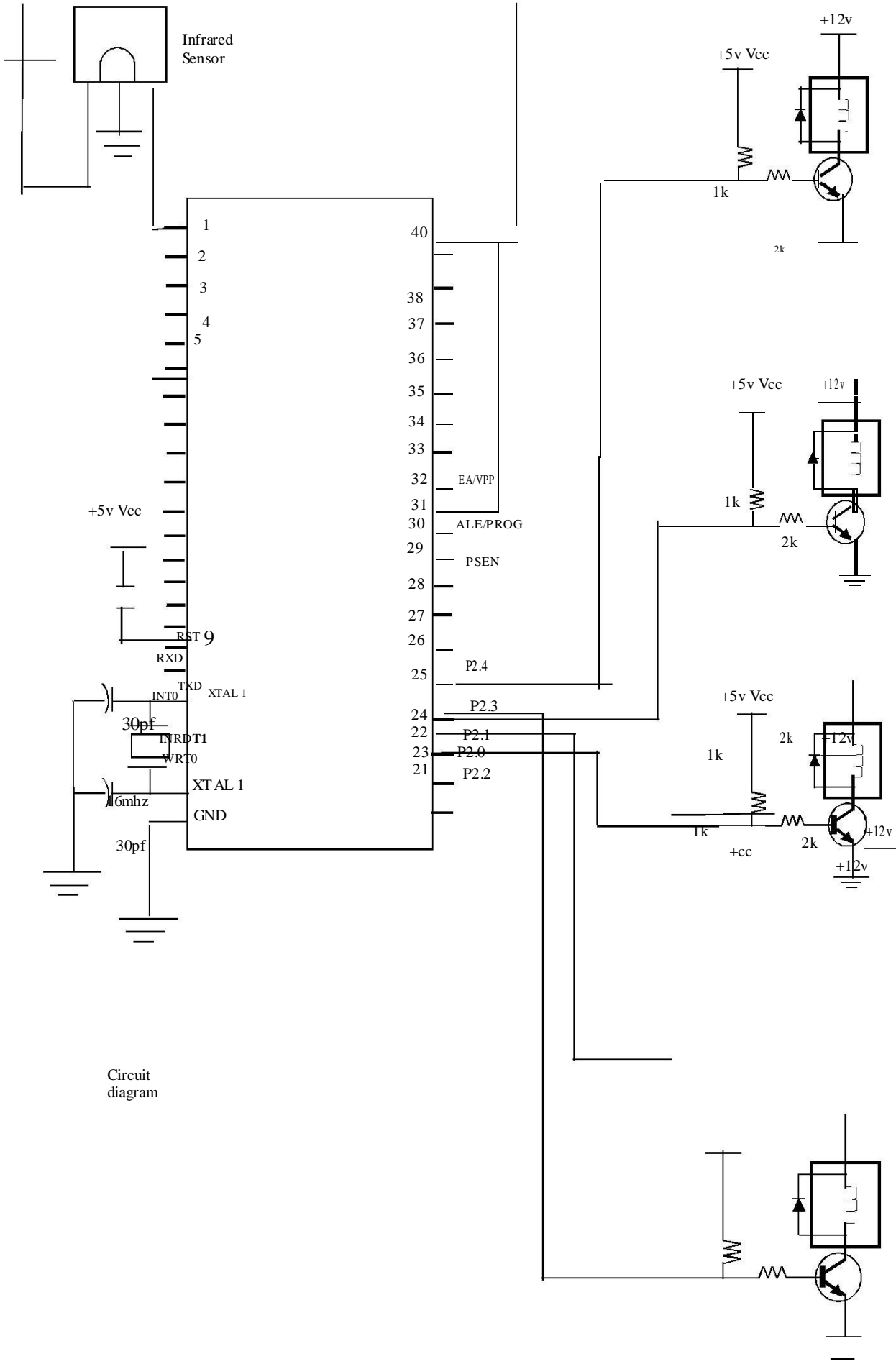


Fig (11) Remote Control receiver side flow chart

+5v Vcc

+5v Vcc



Circuit diagram

4.3 THE CONTROL SOFTWARE PROGRAM DESIGN

```
#include "at89x51.h"
#define ir_input P1_0
unsigned int ir_header,ir_space,buffer,data_1,data_2,data_3;
unsigned char count,ii;
bit flag;
unsigned char ir_data,ir_store[50],i,x,y,ir_error,u,output,output2,del,timer;
unsigned char long_press(void);
void delay(int pause)
{
while (!(pause==0))
{
    pause--;
    _asm;                // 1ms assembly code(for 18Mhz crystal)
        mov r6,#3        // adjust to crystal frequency
        mov r7,#215
00111$:
        djnz r7,00111$
        djnz r6,00111$
    _endasm;
}
.
.
.}

}
}
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CONCLUSIONS

Home automation was made possible by this design using the concept of microcontroller and the application of infrared transmission. the design and implementation of this project makes life easy, thus controlling our home appliances such as fans, lighting points and sockets with just a press on a button.

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