## EE4390 Microprocessors

#### Lessons 29, 30 Welcome to the Real World!

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Welcome to the Real World! - what keeps paper designs from working -

- Switches/indicators
- Switch debouncing
- Noise
- Input Termination
- Electrical Characteristics
- Interfacing
- Fanout
- Power conditioning

### Switches/indicators

- Momentary pushbutton
  - interrupt
- DIP switches
  - configuration
- Keypad
  - data entry
- LEDs
  - status entries
- 7 segment display
  - data display



#### Tri-state indicator circuit

- Tri-state indicator:
  - Green: logic high
  - Red: logic low
  - None: high impedance



## Switch debouncing

- Switches are mechanical devices
- When switch is flipped it makes/breaks contacts multiple times called bouncing
  - processor fast enough to see each bounce as independent input
  - debounce with hardware, software, or HW/SW techniques

#### Switch debouncing - techniques -

• Hardware



• Software

- after first transition provide 25-50 ms delay

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## Noise Sources

- Electrostatic discharge (ESD) static electricity
- Radio frequency interference (RFI) undesired RF energy
- Electromagnetic interference (EMI) varying magnetic fields emanating from electromechanical devices (motors)
- Sag decrease in input AC
- Surge sudden increase in input AC

# Reducing noise susceptibility

- Printed circuit boards should have well filtered power supply inputs
  - Provide ferrite-bead feed-throughs
  - 50 uF capacitor between power and ground -- mount close to beads
    - low frequency noise
  - 0.1 to 0.01 uF capacitor to bypass mid to upper frequency noise
- Provide bypass capacitors on every IC
  - 0.01 uF capacitor between IC supply and ground pin

- Provide ferrite-bead feed-throughs at signal inputs and output
- Provide separate power feed to each IC row
- Provide short ground return paths with large ground planes
- properly terminate unused IC inputs
- every other conductor in ribbon cable should be grounded
- Enclose system processor in a wellgrounded metal box

### Power Conditioning



# Terminating Unused Inputs

- Input impedance is very high on unused input pins
- If not connected, the input can oscillate or float to midsupply level
- Oscillation can couple noise to power supply
- Terminate unused input pins by pulling up (or down) via a resistor -- 4.7 Kohm

