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1 Introduction

The project outlines the communication between a BIM board, which supports KNX, and a second microcontroller, which is an Arduino UNO.

Two ways of communication are supported: SPI and UART communications.

1.1 Motivation

The motivation for this project is to develop the communication between Arduino to KNX. The aim is to know the value of the different modules implemented for other students.

The data is sent from KNX and then collected via Arduino Uno. It is also possible send data from Arduino to KNX for changing the value of the communication object.

1.2 Scope of work

The scope of this project is to implement communications between a BIM 132 board (which supports KNX) and another microcontroller, which for this project was Arduino UNO. The final goal is to be able to dispatch data to Arduino UNO from a BIM board and vice versa. This data contained information about the value of the object communication (related to different measures as lights, temperature, humidity...).; which when changed resulted in a change of the corresponding value.

Depending on the requirements, two protocols of communication can be used. One based on SPI communication or the other based on UART communication.

1.3 Outline

The thesis will start with a short introduction about SPI and UART communications, followed by details about Arduino UNO and its communication. All internal registers required for the communication and how to implement it are specified.

Before going into a description of the BIM board, KNX protocol is broadly explained. After that communication over the BIM board is also explained.

The hardware connection between both boards defined, as well as the protocol created, will also be explained.

1.4 Serial Communication

The main difference between a synchronous interface (as SPI) and an asynchronous one (as UART) is the way in which synchronization information is sent from transmitter to receiver.

The synchronous peripherals need a physical line (cable) dedicated to the clock signal, providing synchronization between the two devices. Asynchronous peripherals do not use a clock signal; the synchronized information is extracted from the same data. Start bit and stop are added, as well as a precise format for a fixed transfer rate.

1.4.1 SPI communication

SPI is the acronym of Serial Peripheral Interface. It is mainly used to transfer information between two or more integrated circuits.

SPI is a full-duplex synchronous protocol. This indicates that data can be sent and received simultaneously.

The bus interface of serial peripheral or bus SPI is a standard to control almost any digital electronic device which is able to accept serial bit stream controlled by a clock.

SPI consists of a clock, data incoming, data outgoing and a selected pin, which enable or disable the communication between both devices. Several SPI-compatible devices can share communication wires however each device must have its own chip select line.

When SPI communication starts, master microcontroller has complete control of it and is able to settle SPI communication with the slave required. That means that slave devices only can communicate when master allows it.

The lines of the SPI data communication are the following:

- Master In/Slave Out (MISO): this line is the input of the master microcontroller and also the output of the slave microcontroller.
- Master Out/Slave In (MOSI): this line is the output from the master microcontroller and also the input to the SPI slave.
- Serial Clock (SCK or SCLK): the line is the serial clock line. This line designates when data on the MISO and MOSI are valid.
- Slave Select (SS): is the "chip select" line. There is one for each SPI
 device. The master microcontroller imposes the SS line, for when the
 device wants to communicate; the signal has to be turned to low. When
 the signal of this pin is high the slave device will not respond to any SPI
 communication on the other three pins.

Once SPI protocol is known, it is necessary to know how hardware connection must be joint. As we see in *figure 1*, all pins must be connected in both microcontrollers to the same pin name.

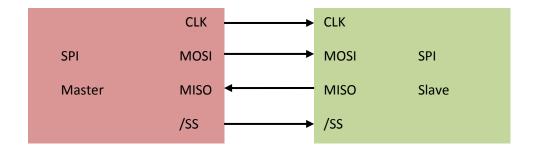


Figure 1: SPI wire connection

1.4.2 UART communication

UART is the acronym of Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter. As with SPI, it is mainly used to communicate two or more integrated circuits.

The UART takes bytes of data and transmits the individual bits in a sequential way. At the destination, a second UART re-assembles the bits into complete bytes.

Serial transmission of data is cheaper because only one wire is required, in comparison with parallel communication which uses several wires.

Synchronization data transmission takes place by putting first "start bit", and then data bits are sent usually between five and nine, always starting on the LSB, and finally, a "stop bit".

It is important to emphasize that RX and TX pins in UART communication are switched as seen in the following diagram.

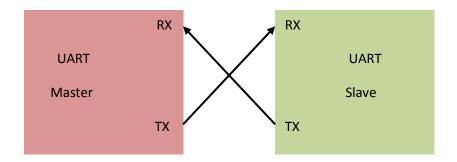


Figure 2. UART wire connection

2 Arduino UNO

Arduino UNO specification can be found on the official web site of Arduino. In the below diagram, the main features are represented.



Figure 3. Arduino Board

Microcontroller	ATmega328
Operating Voltage	5V
Input voltage (recommended)	7-12 V
Input Voltage (limits)	6-20 V
Digital I/O Pins	12 (of which 6 provide PWM output)
Analog Input Pins	6
DC Current per I/O Pins	40 mA
DC current for 3.3V Pin	50 mA
Flash Memory	32 KB (ATmega328)
SRAM	2 KB (ATmega328)
EEPROM	1 KB (ATmega328)
Clock Speed	16 MHz

Table 1. Arduino Uno main characteristics [3]

2.1 ATmega328

As stated before, ATmega328 is the microcontroller on which Arduino Uno is based.

ATmega328 has three registers that are of a great importance on a SPI communication. They are SPI Control Register (SPCR), SPI Status Register (SPSR) and SPI data Register (SPDR).

> SPI Control Register (SPCR)

In this register, all SPI communication configurations are specified, each bit representing a different field of the communication.

The following displays the structure:

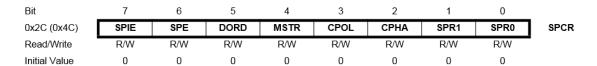


Figure 4. SPCR register structure. [4] p. 173

As figure 4 shows all bits have value 0 as default value. When SPI is used this register has different values, depending if it is in slave or master mode.

-Master Mode:

SPIE: the reason of SPI interrupts when bit SPIF in SPSR register is set.

SPE: is HIGH, in that way SPI mode is enabled. It has to be 1 in any operation requiring SPI communication.

DORD: In this case it is settled as 0, that means the most significant bit (MSB) is transmitted first.

MSTR: this bit is selected if master mode is on or off. For master mode must be 1. Besides, if /SS is configured at LOW input while MSTR is set, MSTR will be cleared and SPFI in SPSR will become set.

CPOL: default value is used (0). That means SCK is low when idle.

CPHA: Sample data when the value is 1 will set a falling edge on the data clock, when 0 it will set a rising edge.

SPR1 and SPR2: these bits control the SCK rate on the microcontroller configured as master (they have no effect on the slave). It is left as default value (0 0).

-Slave Mode:

As most parts of the registers stay in the same state when in master mode, to assure that communication protocol is working in the same 'language'. In slave mode only changes from master mode will be explained.

MSTR: slave mode is defined when the bit value is 0.

[4], pp. 173-174

> SPI data Register (SPDR)

In this register data (1 byte) is saved, so it can be said that this register could be used as a buffer. It is possible to read and write on it.

Data is read from this register, because when data is sent it is saved on here.

Before data is sent, users have to be careful of the way that transmission is configured, because as can be seen in figure 5, 0-bit is LSB and 7-bit is MSB.

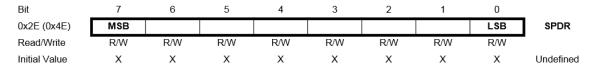


Figure 5. SPDR register structure. [4] p. 174

SPI Status Register (SPSR)

This register indicates information about the transmission state. As in previous registers explained, all bits default value are 0.

Although it is an 8-bit register, five of these bits are non-care state, which means that it is not important if the value is 0 or 1.

As figure 6 shows, bits 7 and 6 only have read permission. This is due to the fact that depending on the state of the transmission, bits will be represented in one way or another, and memory changes them when a particular event happens.



Figure 6. SPSR register structure. [4] p. 175

Three bits of interest are analyzed in the following.

SPIF: when serial transfer is complete, SPI flag is set.

WCOL: sets when read and write actions in SPDR register try to access at the same time

[4], pp. 175

2.2 SPI software on Arduino Uno

Arduino contains in its hardware more than one way to implement SPI communication. As only Arduino Uno is used in this project, this will be the only reference.

It is possible to develop SPI by digital pins. In the following table the pin and its function on SPI communication are referenced.

SPI function	Arduino Uno Pin
MOSI	11
MISO	12
SCK	13
SS (slave)	10

Table 2: Arduino Uno SPI pins list.

Otherwise ICSP connector can be used to implement SPI communication.

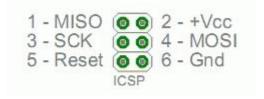


Figure 7: ICSP header.

Master-Slave communication

Master mode is supported by a specific Arduino library, so it has to be included in all code related to the SPI protocol.

#include <SPI.h>

The following configuration could be changed by the next function calling, or by changing the registers specified in paragraph 2.1.

Besides the order in which the bits are received it is important. Two ways are possible MSBFIRST (most significant bit first) or LSBFIRST (less significant bit first). This can be specified by inserting the next function:

SPI.setBitOrder()

If it is not inserted, it is the most significant bit as default. That is the specification selected in this project.

It is possible to set data mode as well. This means the polarity and phase of the clock. This is made by inserting the next function:

SPI.setDataMode()

Four modes are possible, but in this project default value is used, that means that the clock is normally low and that the data is read in the transmission from low to high.

SPI.setClockDivider()

This configuration is specified on the EEPROM memory datasheet (see table 4). And as can be seen MOSI, SCK and /SS must be inputs. However MISO has to be defined by the user. It will be defined as output.

PIN	Direction, Master SPI	Direction, Slave SPI
MOSI	Output	Input
MISO	Not defined	User Defined
SCK	Output	Input
/SS	Output	Input

Table 3. SPI Pin Overrides [4] p. 168

2.3 UART software on Arduino Uno

In the case of Arduino UNO there is only one available UART and it is duplexed to the USB serial communication that is used for communicating to a computer, mainly for programming and debugging.

The derivate problem of this is that some collisions can appear when the sketch is been debugged and the UART connection with another electronic device (in our case the BIM board) wants to be used.

In this case the connection between RX and TX pin could be as is shown in the following figure.

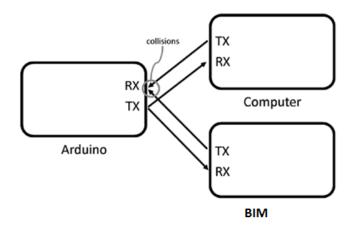


Figure 8. Colliding UART communication lines [16] pp.227

The diagram above shows what would happen if both connection, the BIM board and the computer, tried to transmit data to the Arduino at the same time.

Due to this situation, it is determined that Arduino cannot be programmed nor talking to the computer while BIM is connected to the Arduino's serial port.

To avoid this problem it was determined that a way around this, could be unplugging the BIM shield every time Arduino need to be programmed.

[16] pp.226-227

Another possibility is to create a new software serial port. For that task <SoftwareSerial.h> library must be referenced. The utility of this strategy is to declare another two pins which now will be able to support the UART communication.

By using this, the collision is solved due to pin 0 and 1 (shared to the USB) are used to communicate Arduino to a computer and the new ones, in this case, to communicate Arduino to BIM.

Using those new UART pins are not that much more complicated, you only have to switch in all calls "Serial" for the name assigned to the new pin's communication, In this case it is "mySerail". So, if the function calls to communicate Arduino to a computed is Serial.begin(...), the function call to communicate Arduino to BIM is mySerial.begin(...).

In the following table it is referenced the pin and its function on UART communication to BIM.

UART function	Arduino Uno Pin
RX	5
TX	6

Table 4: Arduino Uno UART pins list.

For making UART communication supported on Arduino Uno, no library has to be included (in SPI had to be included).

For making UART communication work, firstly, the speed of transmission must be declared. This speed is represented in terms of bits per second (baud). For communicating in this project 9600 bauds are used. As default is set: 8 data bits, no parity, and one stop bit. For this it is necessary to include in the sketch the following function call:

Serial.begin(speed);

When read on UART bus is necessary, the predefined function for that can be used. This function returns the first byte of incoming serial data available, or -1 if there are no data available.

Serial.read();

Besides this it is useful to know when Arduino is receiving data. For this task the next function can be inserted. This function returns the number of bytes available to read.

Serial.available();

When it is necessary to write another function, it is predefined as well. The following function prints data to the serial port on the base specified (*format*). Values permitted are BIN(binary), OCT(octal), DEC (decimal), HEX(hexadecimal).

When it is inserted as print (), it returns the number of bytes written, though reading that number is optional.

Serial.print (data, format);

There is an improvement of the previous function. It reachs the same characteristics as Serial.print (), but also prints a carriage return character ('\r') and a newline character ('\n'). This function is Serial.println (data, format);

3 KNX protocol

3.1 Protocol definition

A protocol is communication rules that permit information flows between equipment. Normally these rules are classified as public or private. In this case KNX is an open protocol to which everyone can access.

It is essential that if two or more devices have to be communicated, they have to "speak the same language".

KNX is a standard protocol because all its elements in the installation use a common protocol to communicate. And it is worldwide because there are more than 120 country partners.

"KNX Association is the creator and owner of the KNX technology – the worldwide STANDARD for all applications in home and building control, ranging from lighting and



shutter control to various security systems, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, monitoring, alarming, water control, energy management, metering as well as household appliances, audio and lots more. The

technology can be used in new as well as in existing home and buildings. " [5]

In KNX system data transmit is done through a cable or bus connected to all devices. The bus allows all components on home automation installation to be communicated, in this way it is possible that any component can control another, independent of the location or length between them.

3.2 Characteristics

KNX-EIB has 321 members in 34 countries. [5]

KNX uses a bus typology, that means KNX installation (figure 11) has some advantages over any conventional connection (figure 10). The most remarkable benefit is that using KNX the energy consumption can be reduced thanks to illumination and heating, besides controlling the most consuming peaks of energy costs can be reduced.

Also, planning the installation on KNX communication makes it possible to reduce cabling. Besides this it is simpler to introduce some changes or even expand the installation.

It is also important that KNX association assure 100% compatibility of equipment.

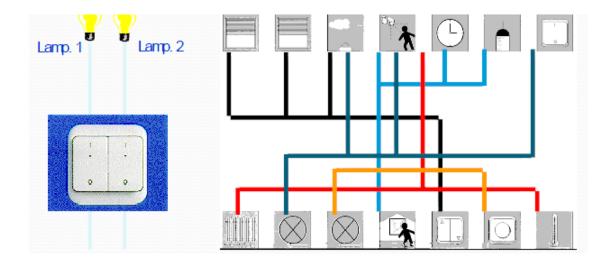


Figure 10. Conventional installation

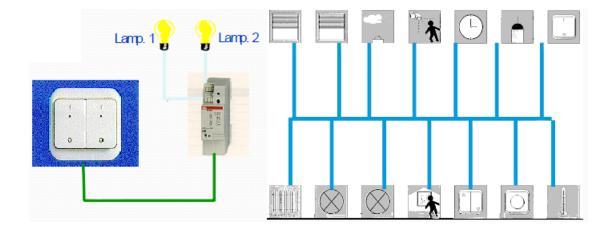


Figure 11 .KNX installation

As can be seen in the image above, KNX protocol has a distributed topology. This type of system does not have a central unit. Every unit is smart and knows what to do. This makes the system more reliable because if one unit fails, it does not affect the other units and the system can keep working. [8] p.10-11

KNX also can be implemented on diverse transmission media, each media can be used in combination with others. These medias are: Twisted Pair (TP), Power Line (PL), Radio Frequency (RF) and Ethernet (IP). [5]

In this project the communication media used is twisted pair.

- Twisted Pair (TP-1)

In this media KNX has a transmission speed defined as approximately 9600 bits/s. All products works on the same bus, thats the way they exchange information.

Twisted pair is used to power devices and to transfer information, but it is not available to power controlled devices as it can be with lights, heating and so on. Therefore there has to be a connection to electricity grids.

3.3 Group Address

It can be considered as a virtual wired among system components.

When a sensor and an actuator are required to make a function the same group address is assigned to both of them. It does not exist strong rules about it; except that maximum numbers or addresses are 28.000.

The structure followed in this project is the one referenced as three-level addressing.

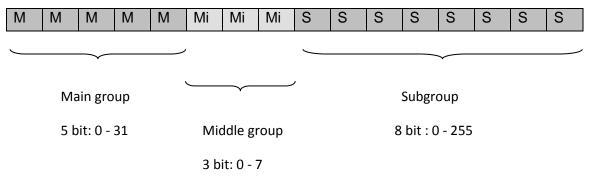


Figure 12. Group Address: 3 levels

- Main Group: functional area, basically make reference to the full installation (e.g. 1=First floor, 2=second floor....)
- Middle Group: function inside that area (eg.0= lights, 1=blinds, 2=heating...)
- Subgroup: load or group of loads (e.g. 09= kitchen light, 20=living room heating)

Actuators can listen to several group addresses, as well as having several group addresses. Sensors however can only send one group address per telegram.

[7] p.6-7

4 BIM 13x

The board programmed is an evaluation board (EVB) that contains different debuggers depending of the microcontroller which want to be programmed.

4.1 SPI software on BIM13x

The BIM board has a SPI communication as a feature of the controller.

On the hardware side, the board has a pin which plays the role of Clock on SPI communication and pins which play the role of MOSI, MISO. For the Slave Selected pin any digital I/O could be use, in this case pin 7 on Port7 will be used. [14] p.4

Concerning the software side, there are mainly two defined functions regulating SPI communication.

The first function initializes the driver for transmitting data over SPI. It has the following format:

void SPIInit (enum SPISpeed speed, BYTE CKDAP, BOOL MSBFirst)

Where:

- enum SPISpeed speed: has the value SPI_BAUD_9600, which indicates SPI communication will have a speed of 9600 bauds.
- BYTE CKDAP: in this case has the value 0x00 which indicates clock is idle high; data is valid if clock is high.
- BOOL MSBFirst: has the value TRUE, which means the first bit transmitted is the most significant one.

[13]p.24

The second one is the function used to send and receive data over SPI bus. It has the following format:

BOOL SPISend (BYTE* pData, BYTE length)

Where:

- BYTE* pData: is a pointer that data wants to be transmitted over SPI and where received data is stored.
- BYTE length: number of bytes sent over SPI

This function returns true is the exchange was successful and false if it was not.

[13] p.24

4.2 UART software on BIM13x

For programming UART0 on the BIM board, there exists no predefined function as happens on SPI. Instead it is necessary to know the register of the NEC78K0 /KE2 microcontroller used by this kind of serial communication.

> BRG0

The Baud rate of the transmission is specified as the modified register BRGC0 in NEC78K0 /KE2 microcontroller. The aim is to have a baud rate of 9600 bauds. Because this is the typical Arduino Uno speed.

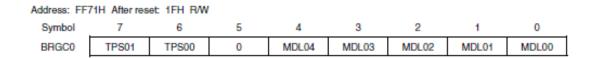


Figure 13. BRGC0 register in NEC78K0 /KE2 microcontroller [17] p. 438

The aim is to have a baud rate of 9600 bauds.

It is known that hardware information such as fPRS=9,830,400 Hz.

We select:

- TPS01 =1;
- TPS01 =1;

That means fPRS has to be divided by $2^5 \rightarrow fXCLK0 = fPRS/2^5 = 307,200 Hz$.

Now a parameter "k" is determined by bits MDL04, MDL03, MDL02.MDL01, and MDL00.

So the value selected is 10000 which gave us k=16. This means fXCLK0 has to be divided by 16. With a result of 19,200 Hz.

As it is said on the datasheet: "the baud rate value is the output clock on the 5-bit counter divided by 2"

Finally, we have a 9600 bits/s as baud rate value.

The register BRGCO has the value 11010000 in binary, which is 0xD0 in hexadecimal which is the one to put in the function FT12Init (...);

[13] p.18 && [17] p.438-439

> ASIMO

By this register the UART communication can be configured:

 Address: FF70H After reset: 01H R/W

 Symbol
 <7>
 <6>
 <5>
 4
 3
 2
 1
 0

 ASIM0
 POWER0
 TXE0
 RXE0
 PS01
 PS00
 CL0
 SL0
 1

Figure 14. ASIMO register in NEC78K0 /KE2 microcontroller [17] p. 436

Where:

- POWER0: the value 1 is set, so enables the clock on the UART. It is necessary if activating UART is desired.
- TXE0: the value 1 enables the transmission. 0 disables it.
- RXE0: the value 1 enables the transmission. 0 disables it.
- PS01 AND PS00: define the parity of the received and transmit data. For no parity PS00=0 and PAS01=0.
- CL0: 1 set 8 bit per character. 0 set 7 bits.
- SLO: 1 set 2 stop bits, 0 set 1 stop bit.

So, finally our register ASIMO has the value 11100101 in binary, and 0xE5 in hexadecimal which is the one to insert in the function FT12Init (...);

[13] p.19 && [17] p.436-439

> TXS0

This 8-bit register is used to transmit data. When this register is complete the transmission begins and data is sent over pin 14. It is an only-read register.

> RXB0

When the register RXS0 is full by the data received over pin 10, data are copied to register RXB0 because RXS0 is an only-write memory, and users cannot have access to it.

5 Arduino Uno and BIM135 board connection.

In this paragraph the proper way to connect both boards physically will be discussed.

5.1 SPI hardware connection.

SPI hardware connection has to be done as specified in figure 1.

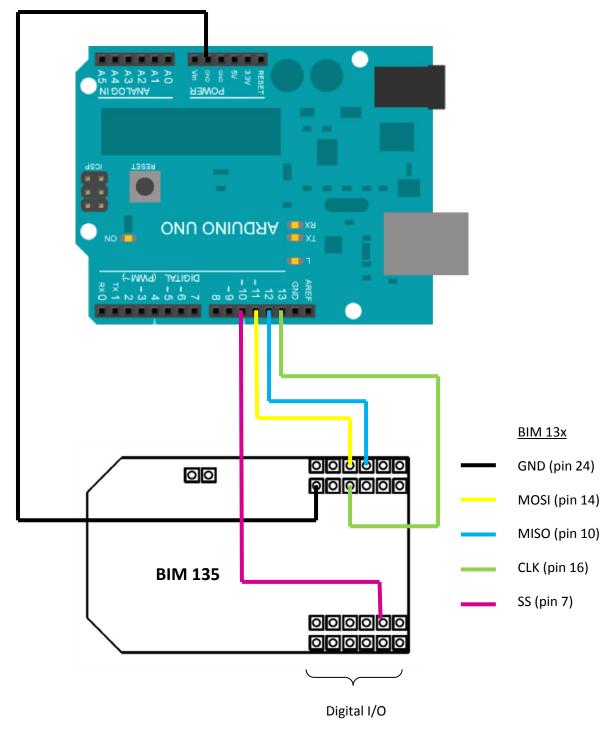


Figure 15. Wire connection between BIM board and Arduino

Wire connections must be done paying special attention to connect MISO pin in Arduino Board with MISO pin in BIM135. Once each datasheet is examined, it would not be difficult to find the correct connections.

Basically connections have to be done on the same way that were specified in paragraph one (SPI connection) especially on figure 1. SPI wire connection.

SPI pin	Arduino Uno	BIM135
MOSI	11	14
MISO	12	10
SCK	13	16
/SS	10	7
GND	GND	24

Table 5. Pins connections between Arduino and BIM board on SPI communication.

5.2 UART hardware connection

Proceeding in a similar way than in SPI connection:

SPI pin	Arduino Uno	BIM135
RX	11	10
TX	12	14
GND	GND	24

Table 6. Pins connections between Arduino and BIM board on UART communication.

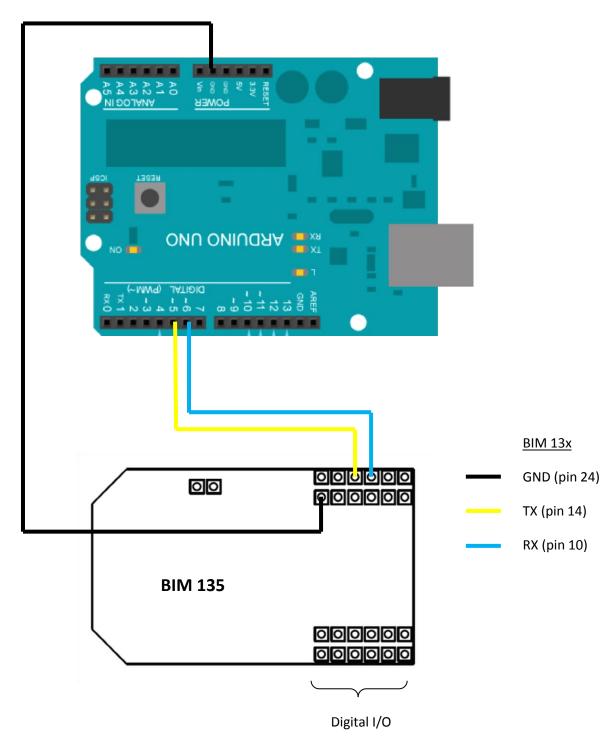


Figure 16. Wire connection between BIM board and Arduino

6 Communication protocol between Arduino and BIM

6.1 Communication protocol over SPI

Essentially, communication between the BIM board and Arduino has as goal exchange information about state changes of different Group of Communication.

For making this communication understandable for both parts, it is necessary to create a protocol to regulate the flow and interpretation of the information.

To create Protocol is simple. It's based on send data on acknowledgement.

Sequence diagram:

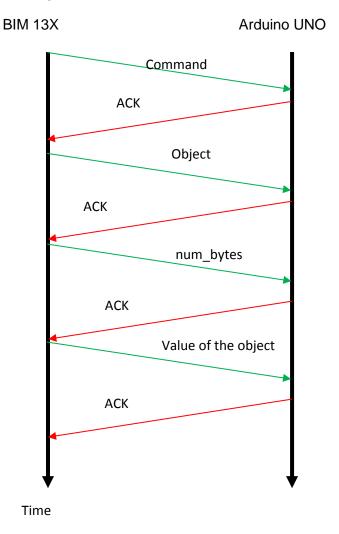


Figure 17. Sequence diagram of the communication protocol.

By seeing the figure above, we can appreciate that the logic of the protocol is quite simple. Basically at least four bytes are sent over SPI bus. Firstly a command that specifies to Arduino what to do with the following data sent. Secondly, the data exchange specifies the identifier of the group of communication object that changed its

value. Then, the number of bytes that the value of the group of communication has. Finally, Arduino know the value of the group of communication right before being received.

After every data received, Arduino makes known to the BIM board that data was well received by sending an acknowledgement message (defined as 0x01 on the protocol) back. This acknowledgement message is dispatched after receiving new data. In this way the BIM board knows data already sent was well received and can proceed to send the next one.

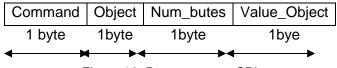
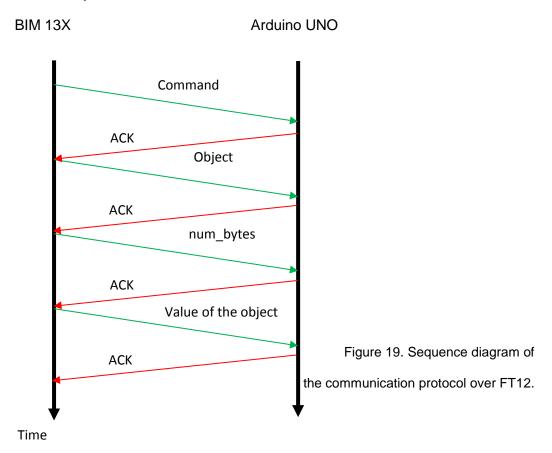


Figure 18. Data sent over SPI

6.2 Communication protocol over UART

Basically this protocol works the same way as the protocol for SPI. The change is that the acknowledgment now is not sent back.

There are two modes, write and read, basically, both protocols have the same structure but in different ways.



7 Proof of concept

Physical connection between BIM board and PC

BIM M13x (bus interface module) is a module composed of a microcontroller NEC78K0 / Kx2 containing in its memory API to communicate the KNX bus transceiver associated with a TP-UART. The transceiver will fit the voltage levels between the card and the KNX bus. BIM M13x modules comply with the KNX specification.

The evaluation board is programmed via the intermediary of MINICUBE2 from the IAR Embedded System software. This allows the application developer to use the IAR tool, which includes powerful debugging tools. All these development tools have been installed on a virtual machine of Windows 7.

Evaluation board (EVB) is used to write the code for any application. EVB has the largest memory of any of the BIM chips. This provides the option of writing the code without memory restrictions and then choosing the correct BIM to put in the installation. Memory restrictions of every BIM are in the figure below.

BIM	Microcontroller	Flash
M130	78F0534	8Kbyte for approx. 40 communication objects
M131	78F0535	16Kbyte for approx. 100 communication objects
M132	78F0537	48Kbyte for approx. 250 communication objects
M135	BIM M130	with extended temperature range -25 to +70°C

Figure 19. BIM M13x Bus interfaces modules

It is necessary assemble correctly all BIM software. It has to be done as it is shown in the figure below.



Figure 20. How to connect BIM system.

Before making the physical connection, all running software must be installed before.

Firstly EVB must be connected to MINICUBE2. Although in the documentation provided by the manufacturer it is said the external oscillator must be removed from the connection. The 20 MHz external oscillator must be mounted.



Figure 21. Oscillator mounted.

In the following figure it is presented how KNX-bus (which also powered the board) and the connector from the MINICUBE2 must be mounted on EVB.



Figure 22. EVB connections

Software

Here is represented a small guide about how to get started with the software used on the KNX part.

Two programs are used to make this project work:

- BimTools: used mainly to create the communication objects.
- IAR Embedded Workbench: have compiler and debugger functions to develop the code required.

Arduino is programmed on Arduino specific software, explained in paragraph 3.

1. BIM Tools

Once the program is running the next step is create the communication objects required on a particular project.

- Firstly, "BIM Wizard", which is situated in the toolbar of the bottom, should be clicked.
- After that the screen in the figure below appears. We have to specify which kind of BIM board we want to be programmed. In this case it is the BIM M132 board. Once this is decided, the location and the name of the project want to be created have to be inserted. After that, to continue press on "Next".

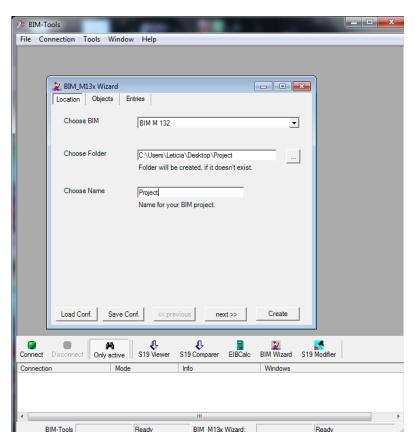


Figure 23. BIM Wizard screen. Location

Now it is time to declare how many communication objects are needed in our project and which kind of data is each. For that task, only the name of the object in the corresponding box and specified on the dropdown menu the kind of data can be selected. In our project the kind of data will be "UINT1" because of the addresses of the communication object are stipulate on one byte.

If more communication objects are necessary, select the green cross (menu options) to add them. For continuing select "Next".

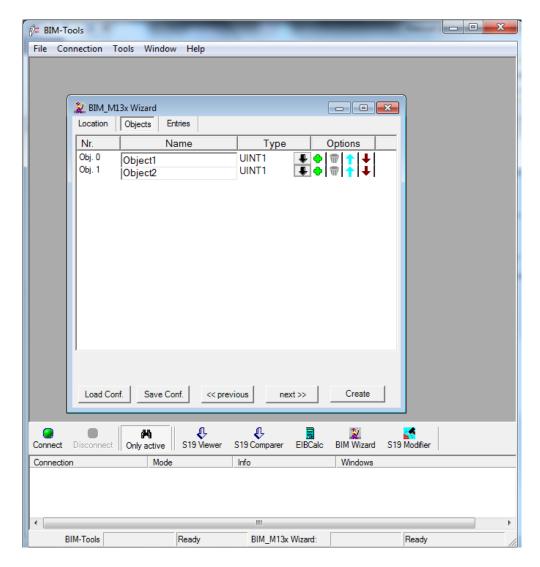


Figure 24. BIM Wizard screen. Objects.

- After that a new screen appears, but in this screen it is not necessary change anything. Just select "Create".

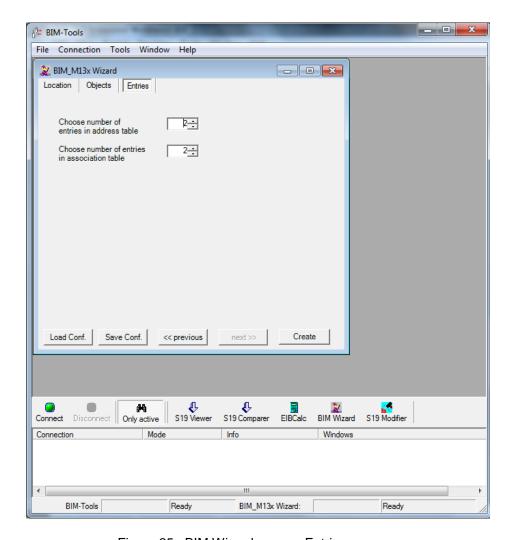


Figure 25. BIM Wizard screen. Entries.

 Now, the project is created. That means that in the folder specified a few default documents necessary for star to program on "IAR Embedded Workbench" appear.

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2. IAR Embedded Workbench

Once the project was created by BIM Tools we can start working on the code on IAR Embedded Workbench.

Firstly we have to open the Workspace of what is wanted to work. For that the following sequence must be done: File-> Open-> Workspace and then select the file with *.eww extension.

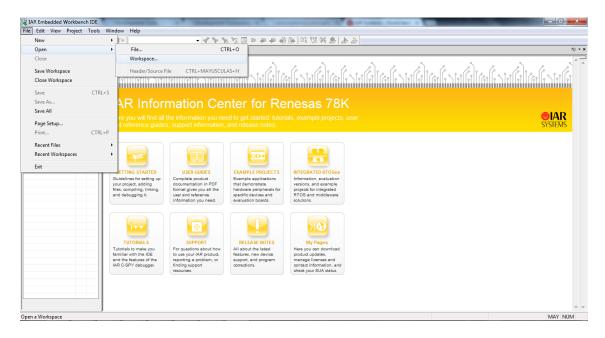


Figure 25. IAR Embedded Workbench.

Before starting the programming, the properties of debug operations must be set. For that task, we can follow the Getting started paper of BIM at its paragraph "1.5. Set BIM M13 Debug Operating System"

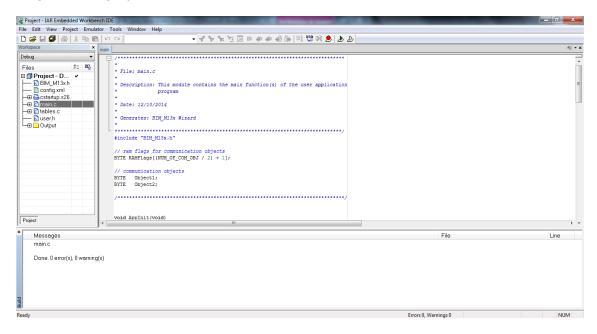


Figure 26. IAR Embedded Workbench space of work.

After that, the project has to be "Make" before it can be charged into BIM tool.

If previous steps were successful we just have to "Download and Debug" our code.

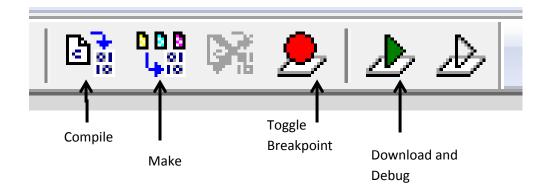


Figure 27. Toolbar for debugging and uploading code.

Once the code was debugged and downloaded, it is time to make it running handling the following toolbar.

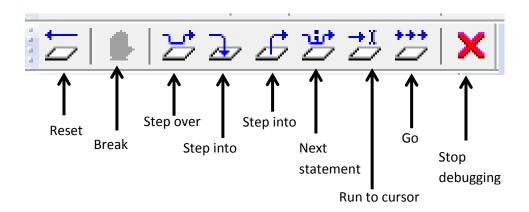


Figure 28. Toolbar for running code.

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3. Arduino software

Arduino UNO is programmed on specific software. It is very simple and intuitive to use.

After writing the code it is necessary to compile it by selecting the "Verify" button representing in the figure below.

If the code was correctly compiled, it is required to upload it into the microcontroller. For that it is necessary to select the type of the microcontroller used. This is done on: Tools -> Board-> Arduino Uno.

And also the USB port where the Arduino is connected: Tools -> Serial Port-> COM XX

Now the code can de uploaded into the board by selecting the bottom ""Upload" represented in the figure below too.

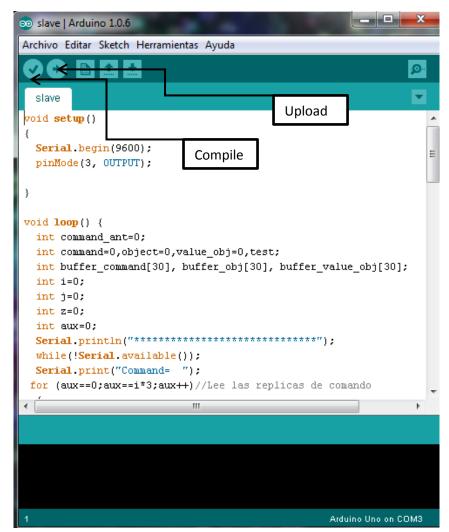


Figure 29. Arduino Software.

7.1 Arduino Uno Code

In this project Arduino microcontroller has to read data which is dispatched over SPI or UART from the BIM board although it can be done on the other way.

That data is information read from different sensors in the Smart Home. It has to read correctly the information dispatched, save it and show it properly

Besides this, the communication can happen in the opposite direction, dispatch data to make the actuators change their state.

According to the protocol developed in the paragraph 6, Arduino receives three data (command, object and value_obj) over SPI or UART and sends back the byte 0x01 as confirmation that the previous data were correctly received.

7.2 BIM 13x Code

One of the goals of the BIM 13x part is to recognize when a Communication object changes and what is its new value.

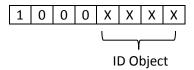
To make this task possible, every communication object is checked one by one. If one of them is changed, the value for both is changed, the object and its new value are sent over SPI or UART to Arduino UNO. Every value is sent after receiving a conformation from Arduino indicating the preceding data was sent successfully.

The second part is to read information sent from Arduino Uno and interpret it to make any actuator change to its value.

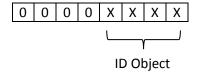
7.3 Function modes

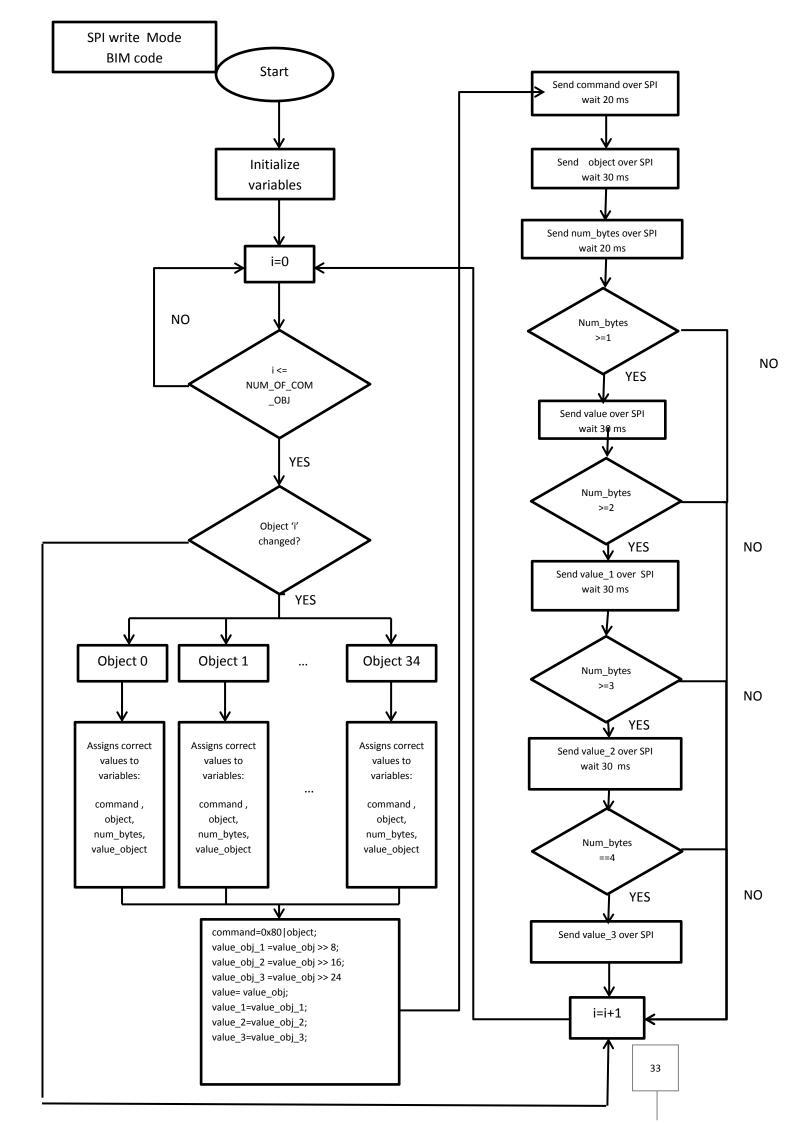
As was mentioned before, there are two function modes on this project which involve different utilities.

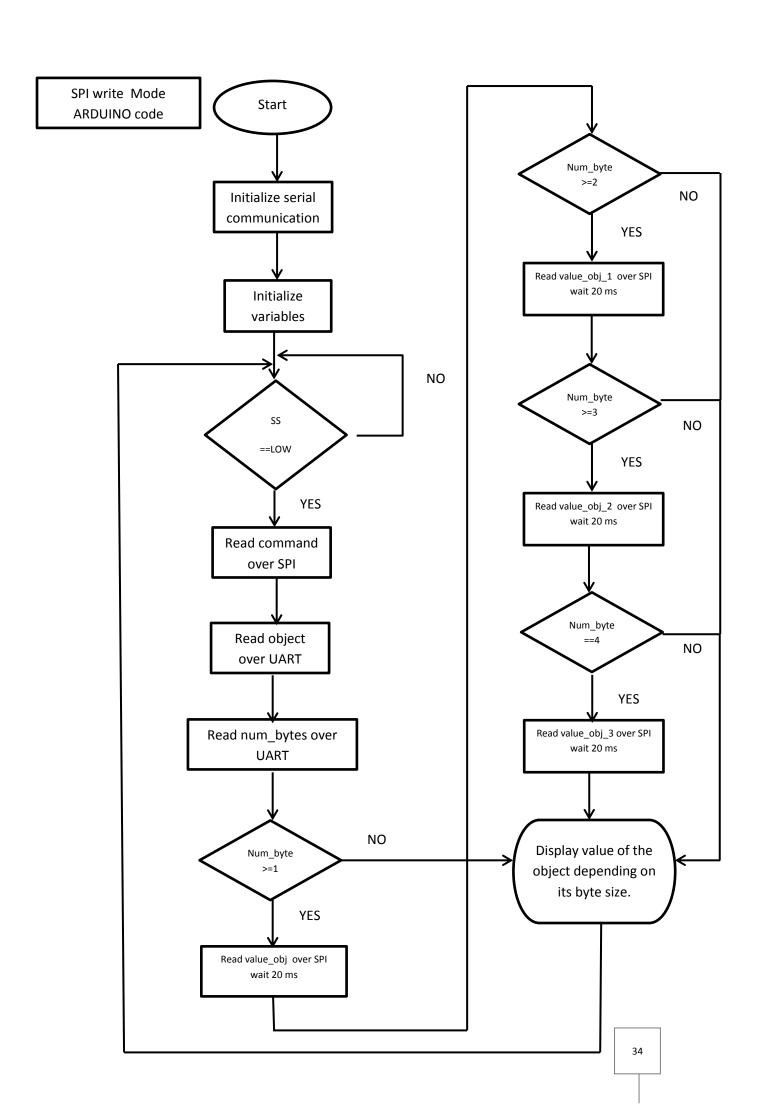
The first one is "Write Mode"; in this mode KNX send, via BIM board, to Arduino information related to the state of the different objects of communication. This mode has a command associated which length is one byte. This command has the following format:

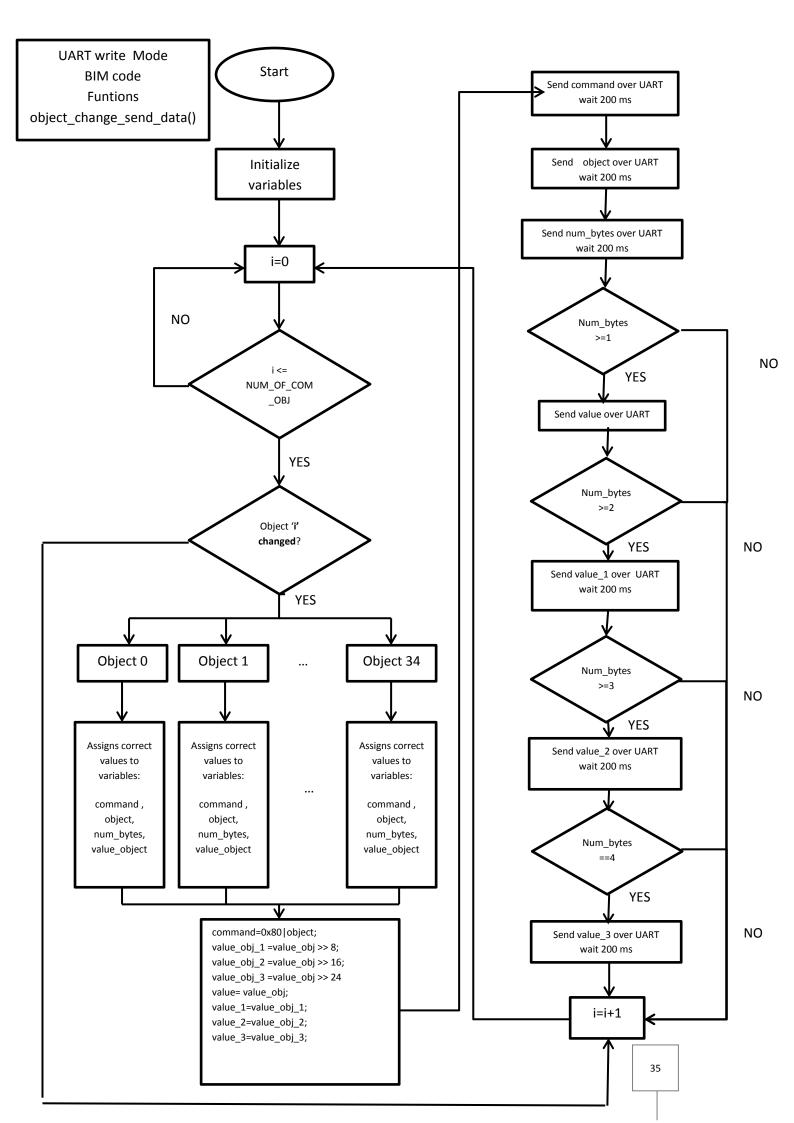


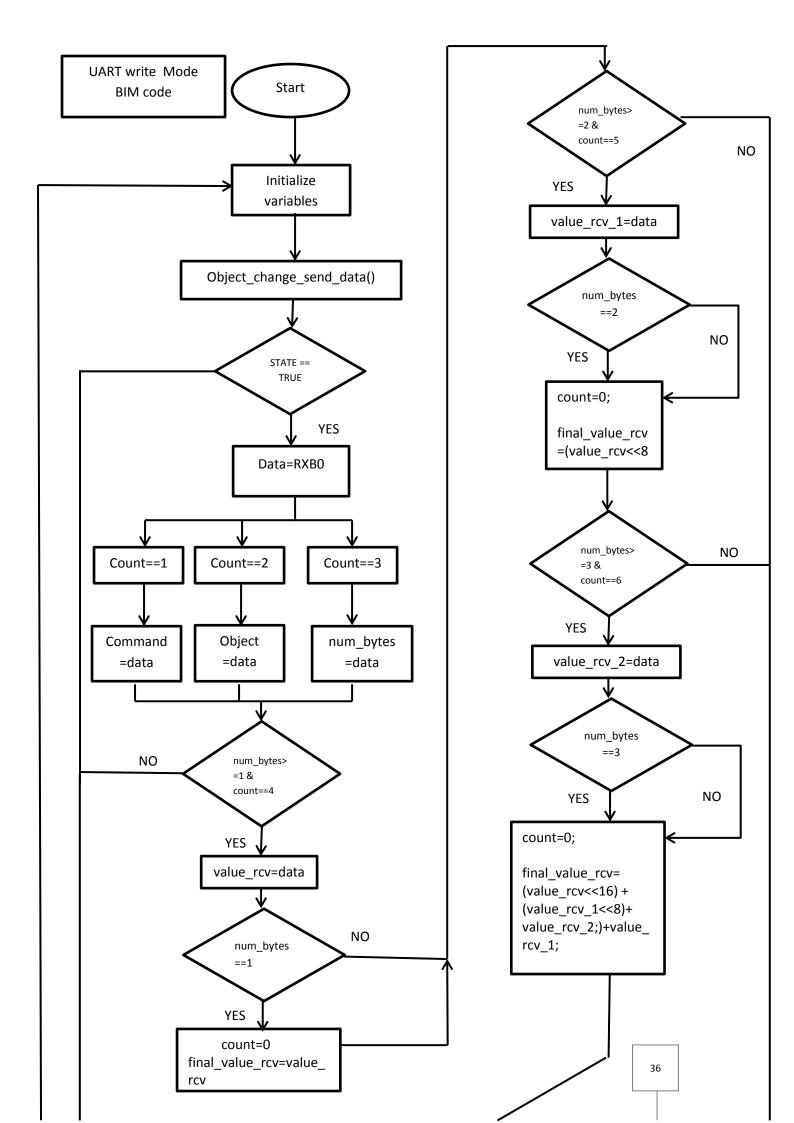
The second mode sent from Arduino to KNX, via BIM, information related to the state of any different objects. This mode has also a command that define this mode and has the following shape:

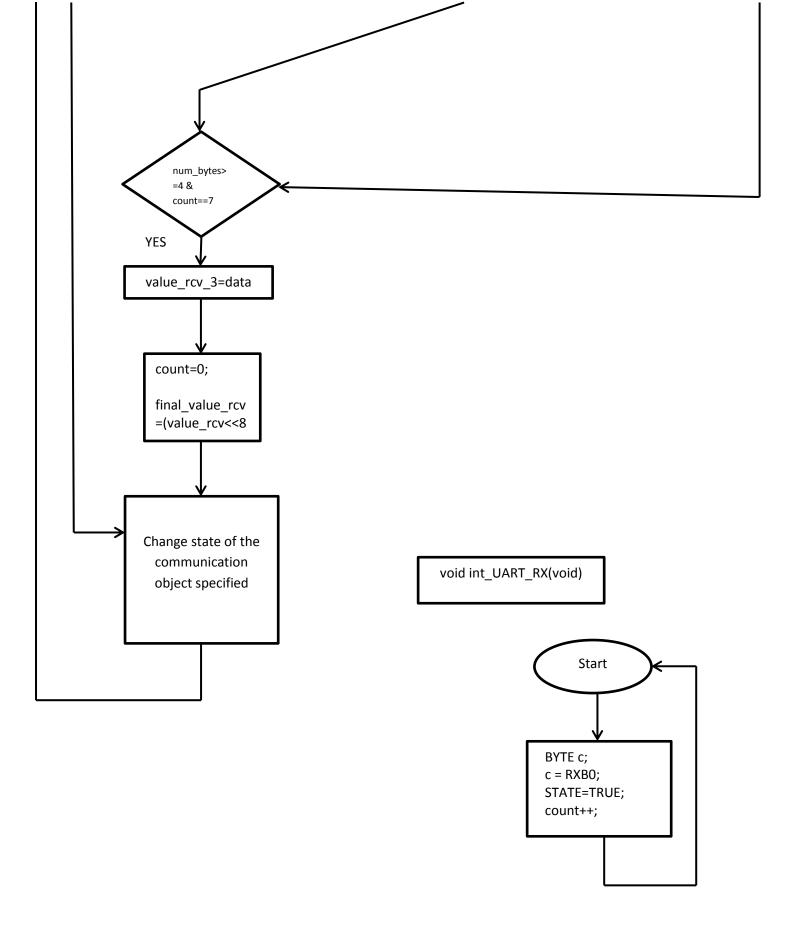


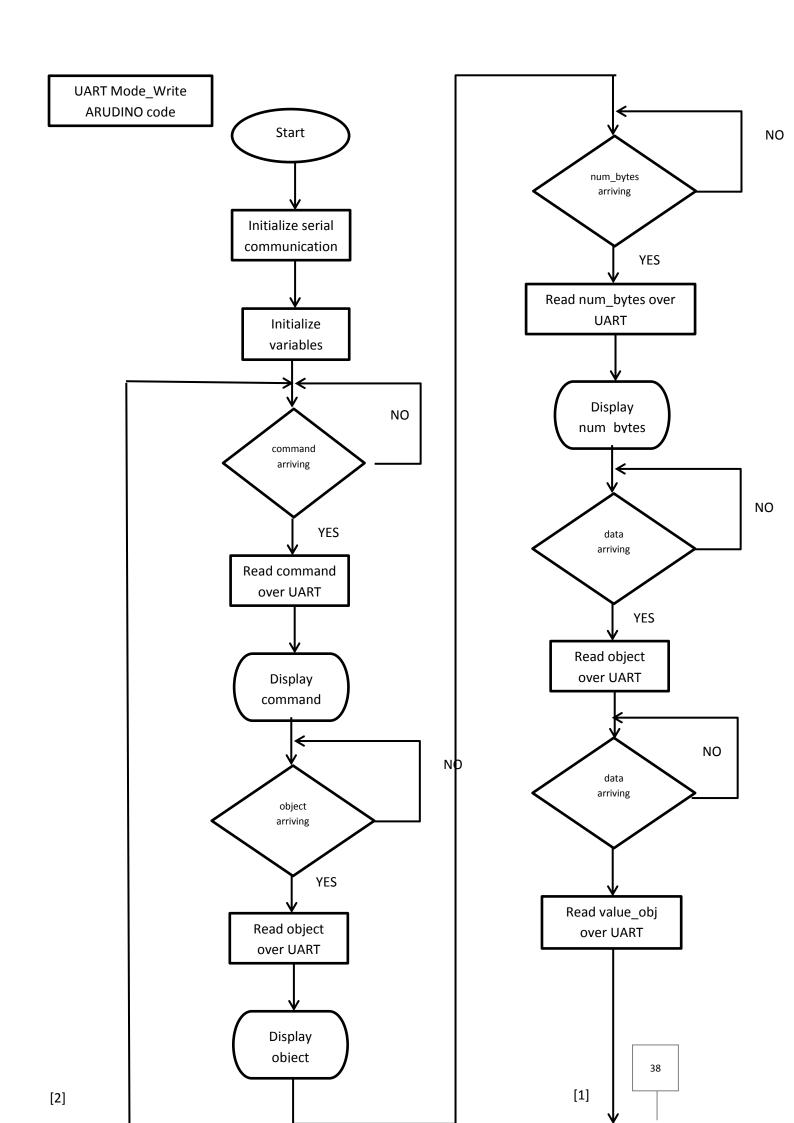


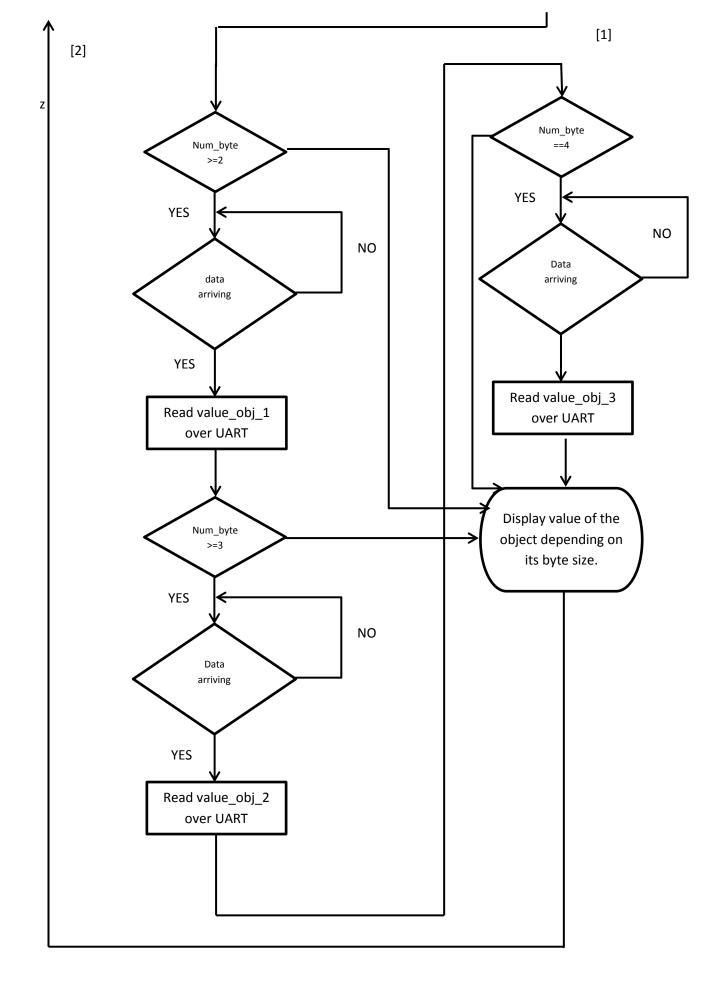


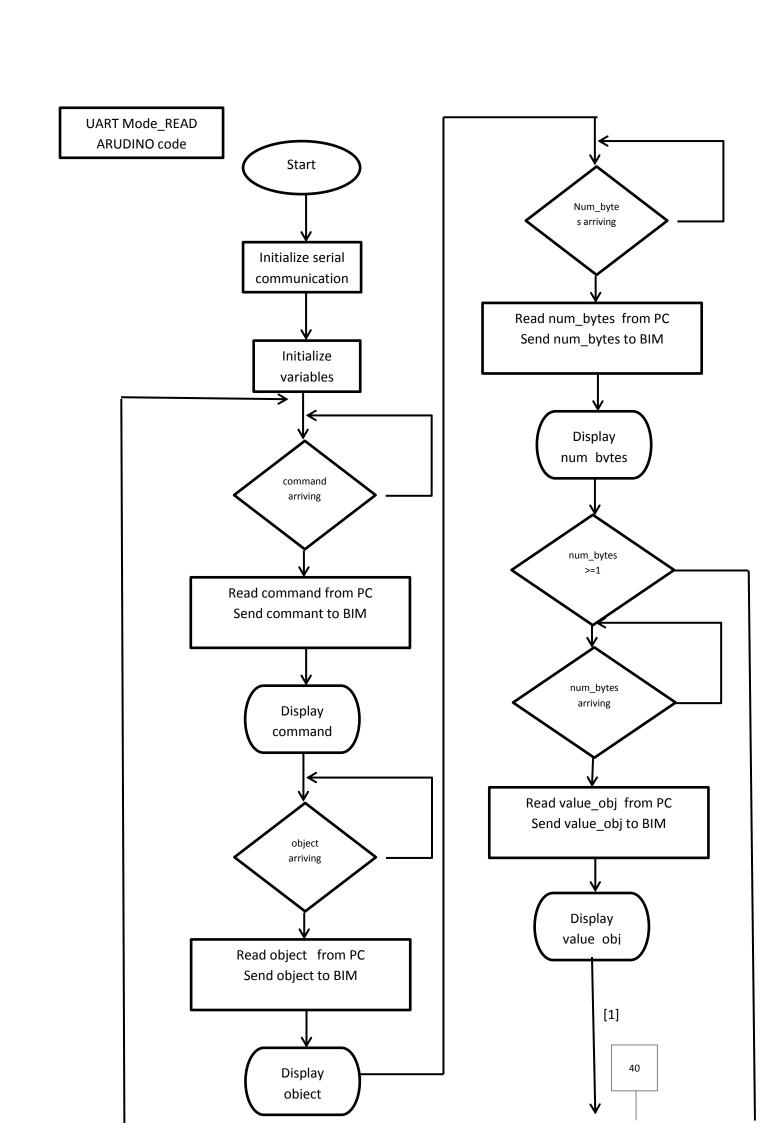


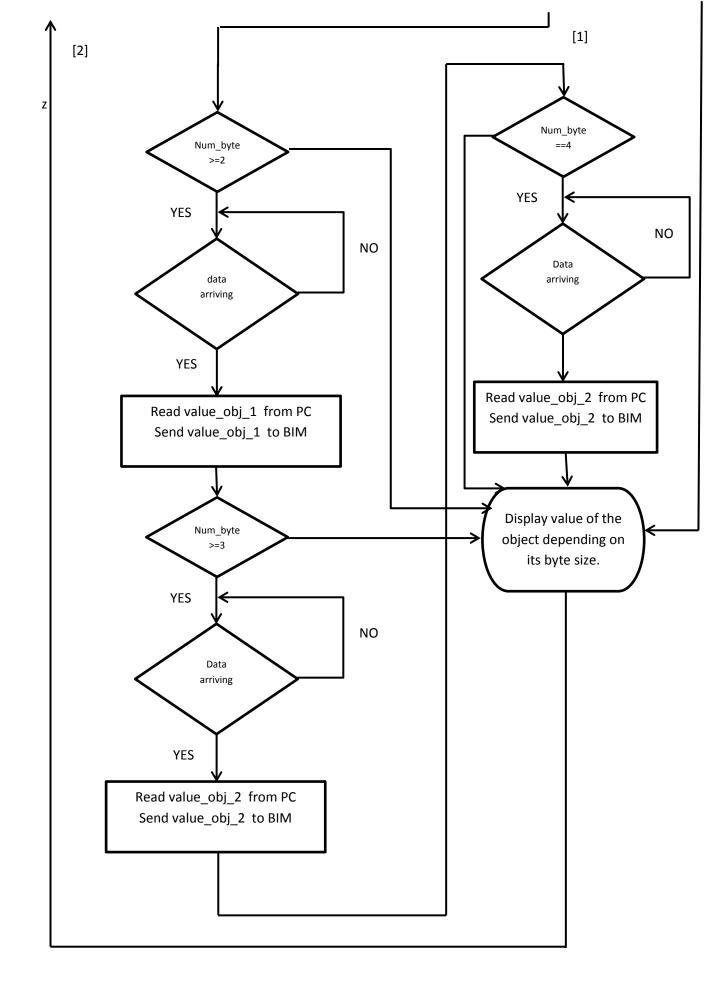


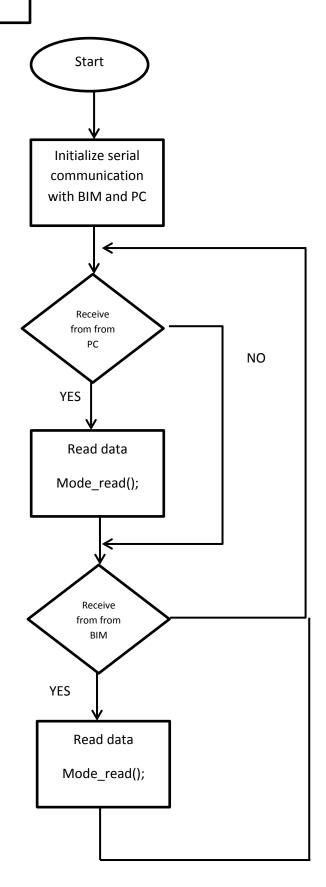












7.4 Results

As a result of the developing of everything exposed in this memory, the following results were found:

On the BIM part:

- Send data to Arduino related to a specified communication object (available on SPI and UART communication). For prove this is working see figure 31.
- Receives data from Arduino about a concrete communication object and change its state value on KNX. (available only on UART communication)

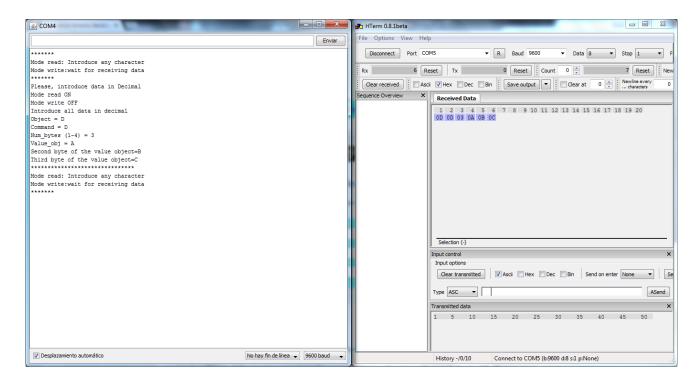


Figure 30. Prove communication from Arduino to BIM

On the Arduino part:

 Receives data from BIM and it can be seen in a "Monitor Serial" (available on SPI and UART communication). In this figure it is implemented only for one byte, but it can be done for one to four bytes.

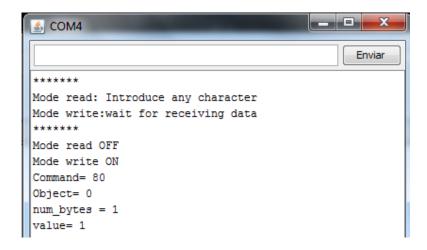


Figure 31. Prove communication from BIM to Arduino

- Sends data that it is introduced on "Monitor Serial and" (available only in UART communication)

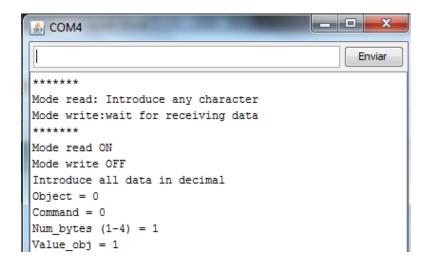


Figure 31. Prove communication from Arduino to BIM

8 Conclusion

Sometimes it is important to have a well regulated home automation system and make the state known by the user. And also make possible for the user to change the state of the system if that is desired. This project has focused on completing those two tasks.

Communication between Arduino and KNX is done via SPI or UART (the most used). In this process both microcontrollers exchange useful data for the system.

As result, Arduino can know the values of the communication objects in KNX and change the state of some of them.

A Abbreviation

BIM Bus Interface Module

CPOL Clock Polarity
DORD Data Order

EEPROM Electrically Erasable Programmable

Read-Only Memory

I/O Input/output KNX Konnex

LSB Less Significant Bit
MISO Master In/Slave Out
MOSI Master Out/Slave In
MSB Most Significant Bit
MSTR Master/Slave Select

PL Power line

PWM Pulse Width Module
RF Radio Frequency
SCK or SCLK Serial Clock

SPCR SPI Control Register
SPDR SPI Data Register

SPE SPI Enable SPHA Clock Phase

SPI Serial Peripheral Interface
SPIE SPI interrupt Enable
SPIF SPI interrupt Flag
SPR SPI Clock Rate Select
SPSR SPI Status Register

SS Slave Select TP Twisted Pair

UART Universal Asynchronous Receiver and

Transmitter

WCOL Write COLlision Flag

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