

E7020e

HARDWARE #2

SWITCHING

MECHANICAL

Push-button

Toggle switch

Rotary switch

Rotary encoder

Relay

...

ELECTRONIC

Transistor (BJT, MOSFET, ...)

Solid State Relay (SSR)

Optocoupler

H-Bridge

...

MECHANICAL SWITCHES

Momentary (“on” only while you press it)

Latching (“stateful”)

Pole (P) = number of circuits / “inputs”

Throw (T) = number of positions / “outputs” per circuit

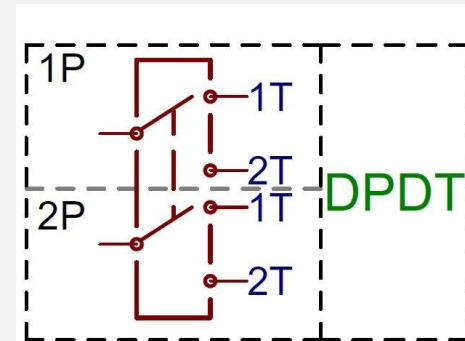
SPST (Single pole, single throw) = Single circuit with single output (on/off)

SPDT (Single pole, double throw) = Single circuit with two outputs (on1/on2)

DPDT (Double pole, double throw) = Two circuits with two outputs (on1a-on1b/on2a-on2b)

Rated for max voltage, current, number of operations

Debouncing



DEBOUNCING

Two pieces of metal slamming together → contact bounce

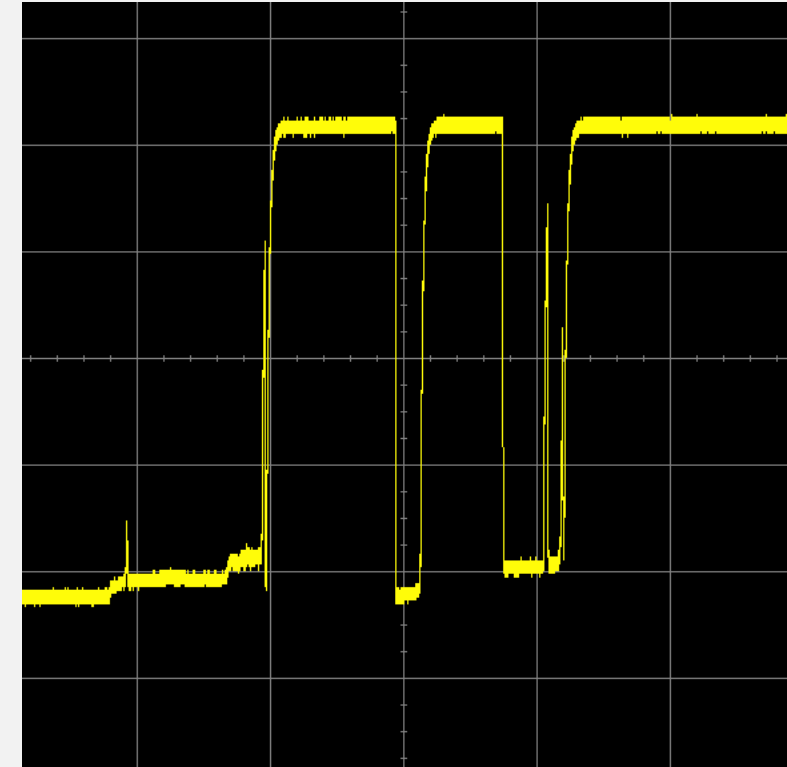
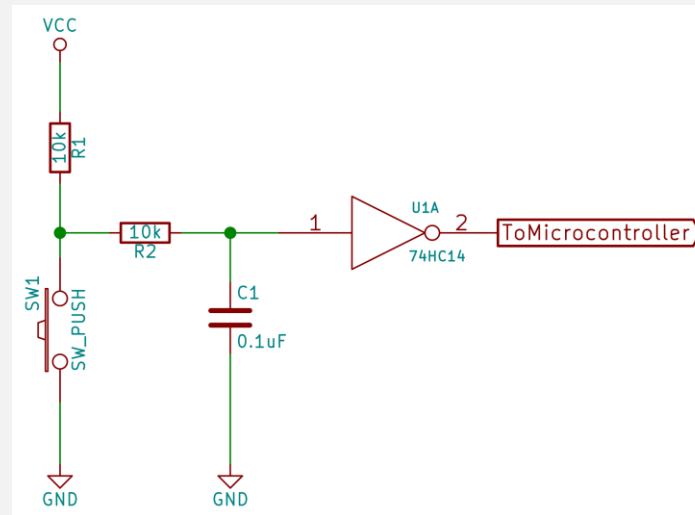
Single press → multiple fast presses / releases, lasting several milliseconds

Problem for MCU (interrupts)

Multiple events from single press

Hardware (RC, IC)

Software (timer/counter)



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ELECTRONIC SWITCHING

LOW SIDE SWITCHING

Turn on/off the return path

NMOS

MCU can sink more current
than it can source

Most common

Load has high potential even
when switched off
(potential safety issue)

HI SIDE SWITCHING

Turn on/off the power source

PMOS

PMOS has higher channel resistance
than NMOS → higher power loss

NMOS possible using "gate driver"

Safety

ELECTRONIC SWITCHING

MOSFET

Low “on” resistance

Body diode - only be used in one direction,
the other way it acts like a diode

AC - Use two back-to-back

Cheap

OPTO COUPLER

Light controlled transistor

Isolates logic and load circuits

SOLID-STATE RELAY

Use MOSFETS inside

Configured as an "ideal" switch

Isolates logic and load circuits

AC & DC

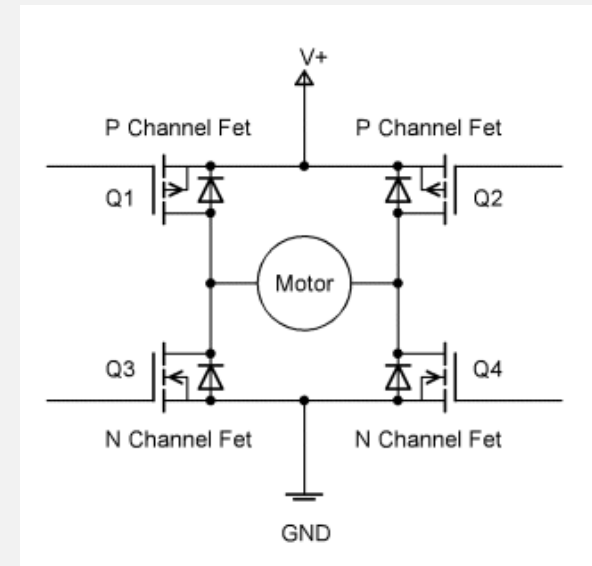
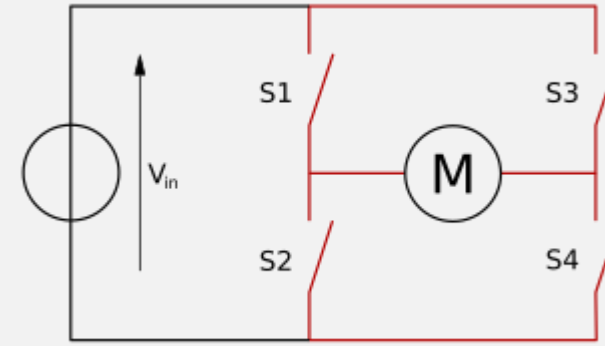
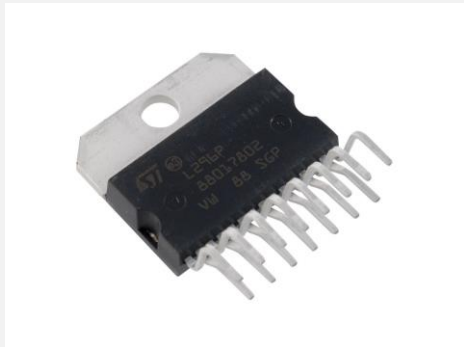
ELECTRONIC SWITCHING

H-BRIDGE

DC motors

Switch direction

Available as IC



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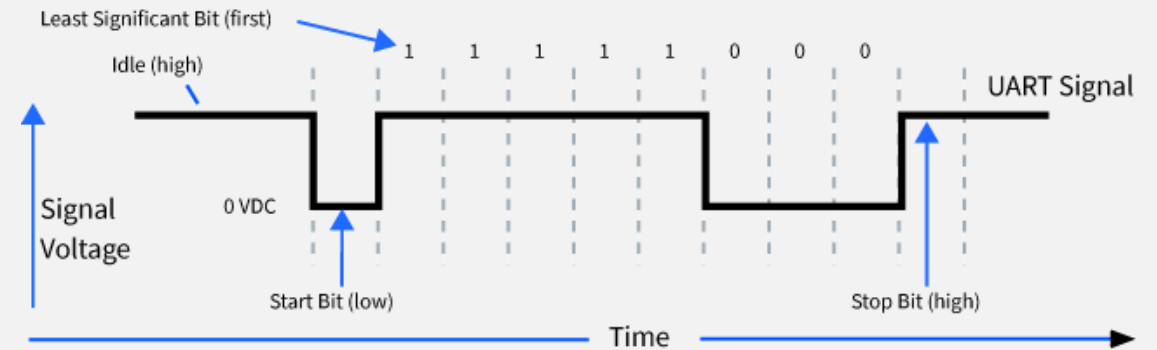
Optocoupler

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SERIAL COMMUNICATION

“One bit at a time”
Baudrate



SYNCHRONOUS
Clock + Data lines

SPI

ASYNCHRONOUS
No clock line
Agreed upon Baudrate

UART

SERIAL COMMUNICATION

CHIP-TO-CHIP

SPI

I²C

UART

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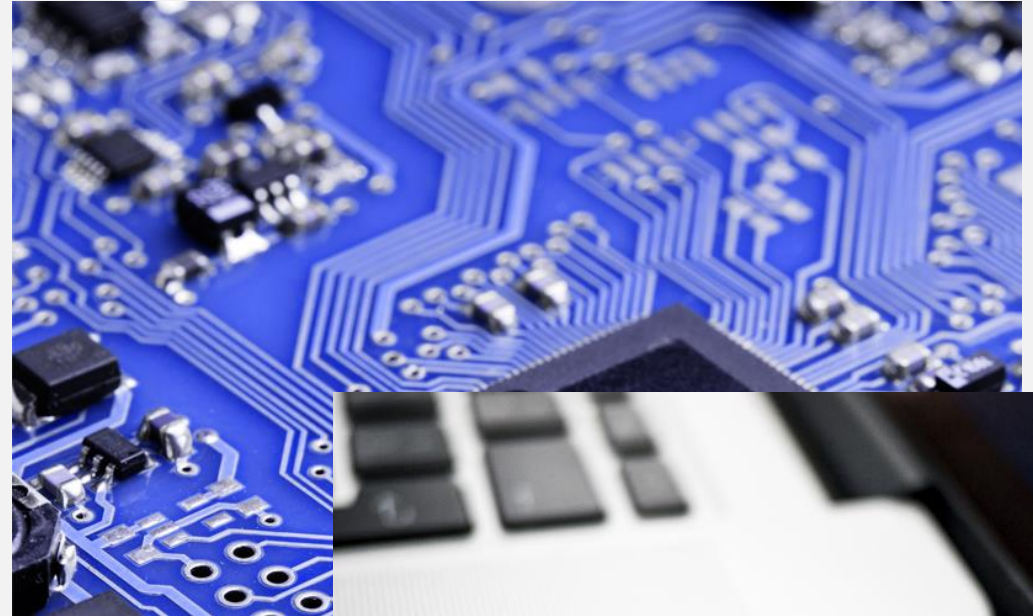
BOARD-TO-BOARD

USB

ETHERNET

RS-232

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SPI Serial Peripheral Interface

Synchronous

4 wires (SCLK, MOSI, MISO, NCS)

Chip-to-chip communication

One master (aka “controller”)

Multiple slaves (aka “peripherals”)

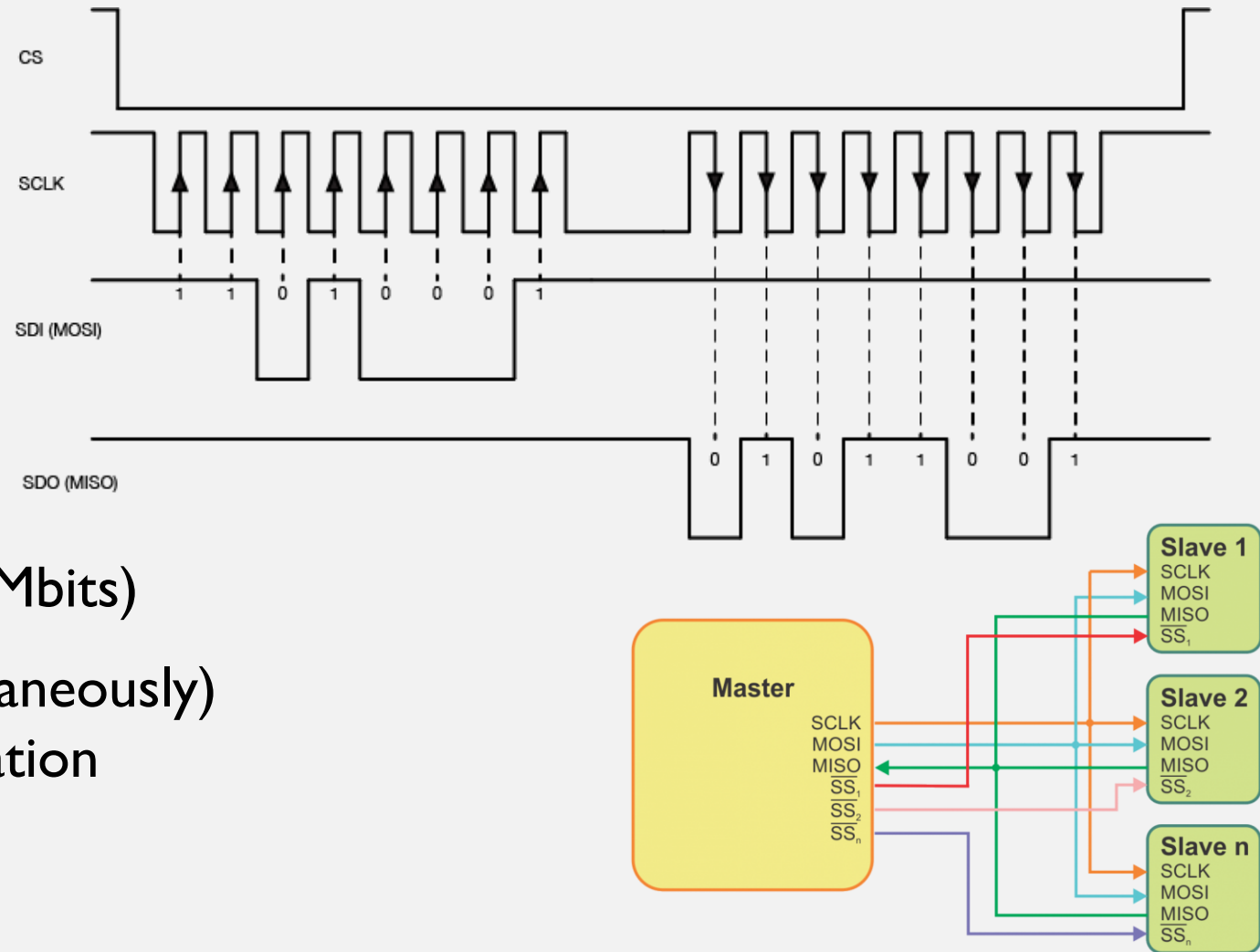
Shared clock and data lines

Chip select pin

High speed (push-pull drivers, usually Mbits)

Full duplex (can read and write simultaneously)

Only master can drive the communication



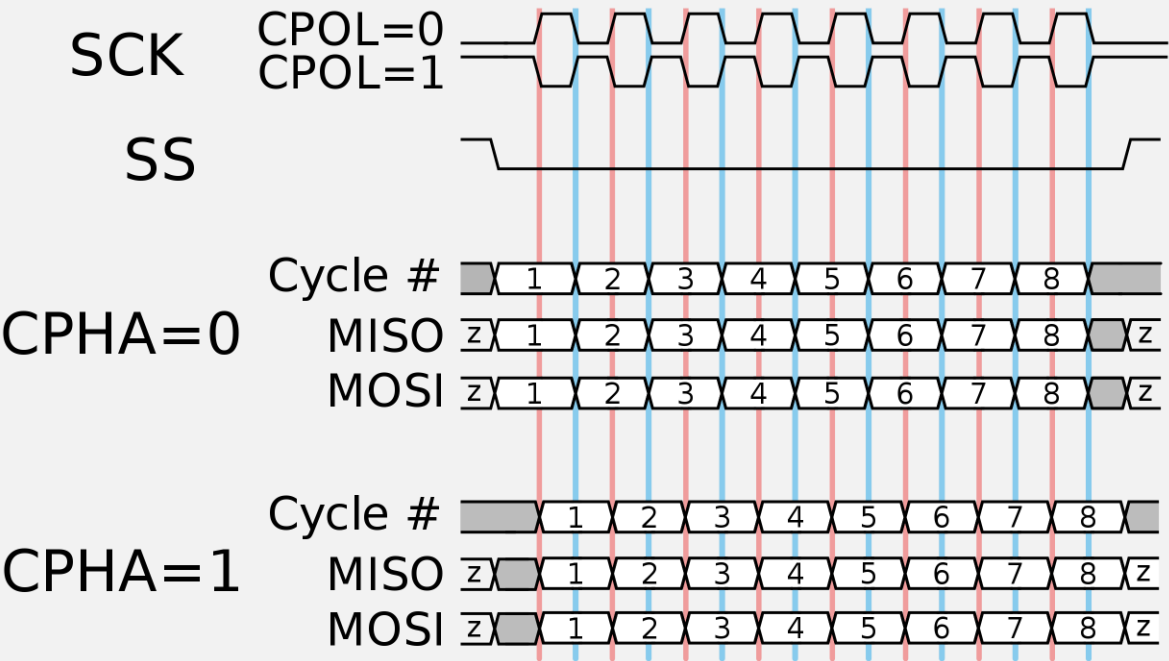
SPI

Serial Peripheral Interface

MODE

CPOL = Clock polarity
CPHA = Clock phase

Mode	CPOL	CPHA
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	1	0
3	1	1



UART

Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter

Asynchronous (no clock line)

Agreed upon protocol, for example:

9600 8N1

9600 baud, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit

2 wires – RX & TX

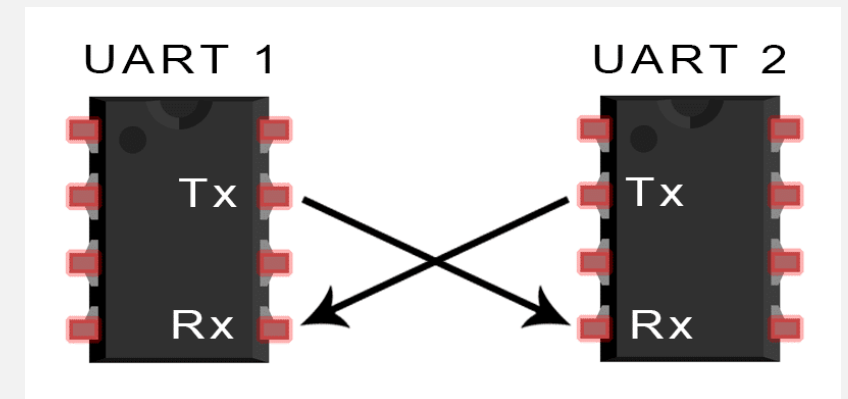
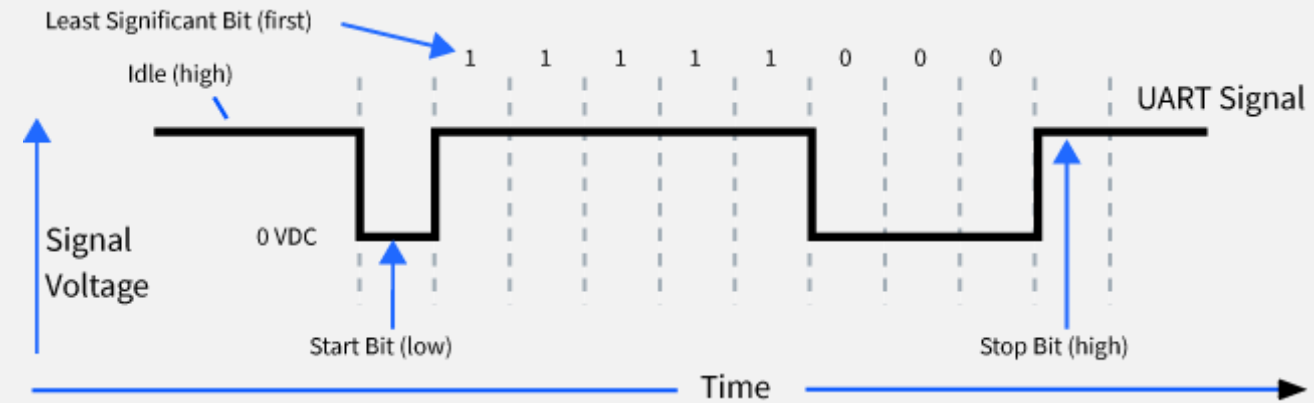
+ (optional) flow control (RTS, CTS)

Point-to-point

Full duplex (can read and write simultaneously)

Both ends can initiate communication

Lower speed (no clock → sampling @ 16x rate)



I²C INTER-INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

Synchronous

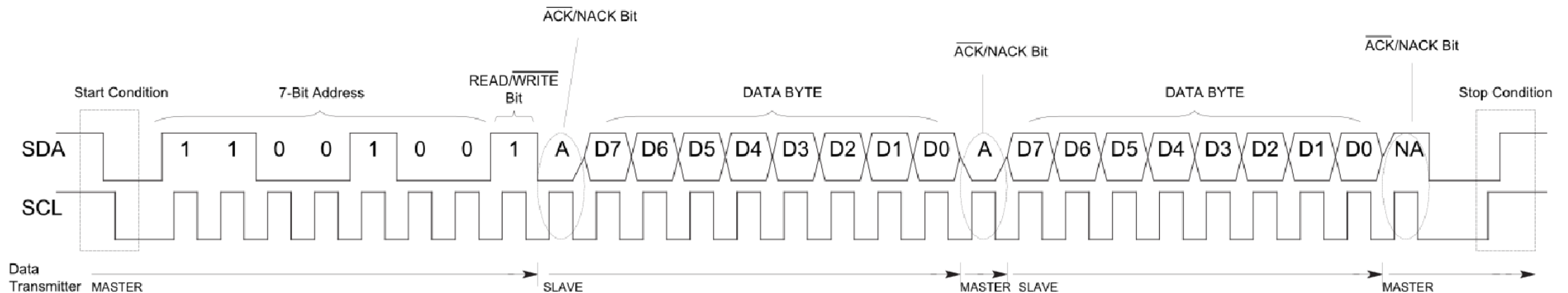
2 wires – SCL & SDA

Open drain (needs pull-up resistors)

One master, multiple slaves

Addressing scheme (7 bit, 10 bit)

Only master can initiate communication



ANALOG SIGNALS

ANALOG

Continuous signal

DIGITAL

Discrete time

Discrete value

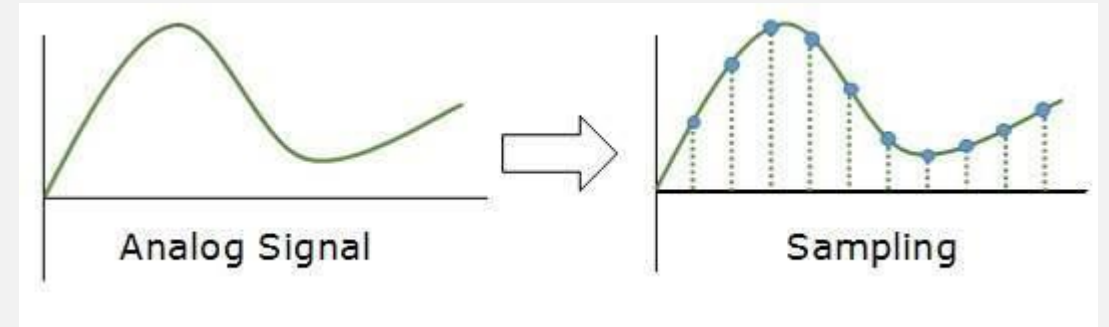


ADC ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER

Samples the analog voltage

Sample rate

Bit depth



Successive approximation converter

Sigma-delta ADC

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CONSIDER

Resolution

Speed

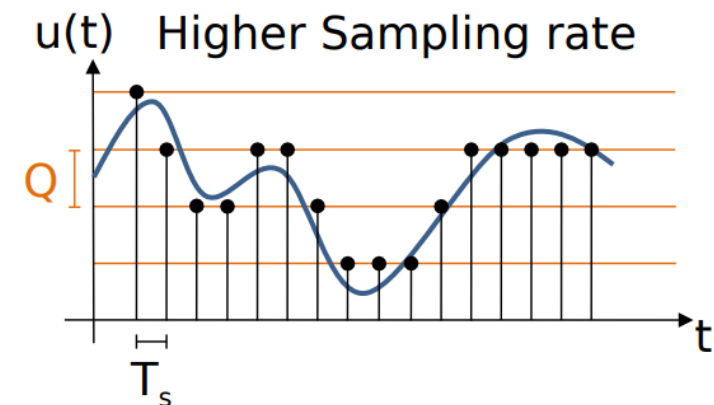
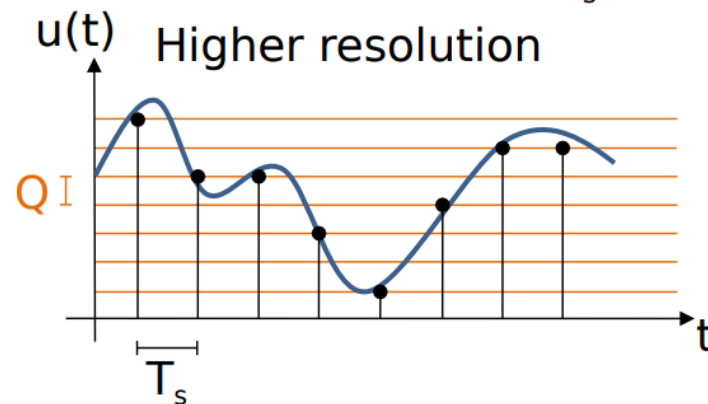
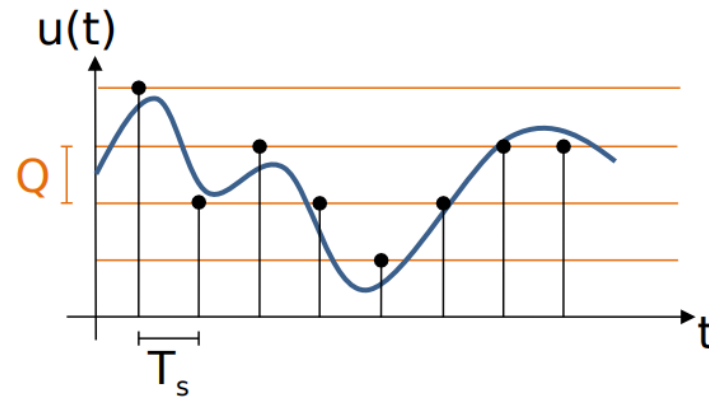
Precision

Power

Cost

ADC ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER

ACCURACY



ADC ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER

NYQUIST/SHANNON SAMPLING THEOREM

Minimum sampling frequency should be at least
twice as high as max significant frequency

$$f_s > 2 \times f_{\max}$$

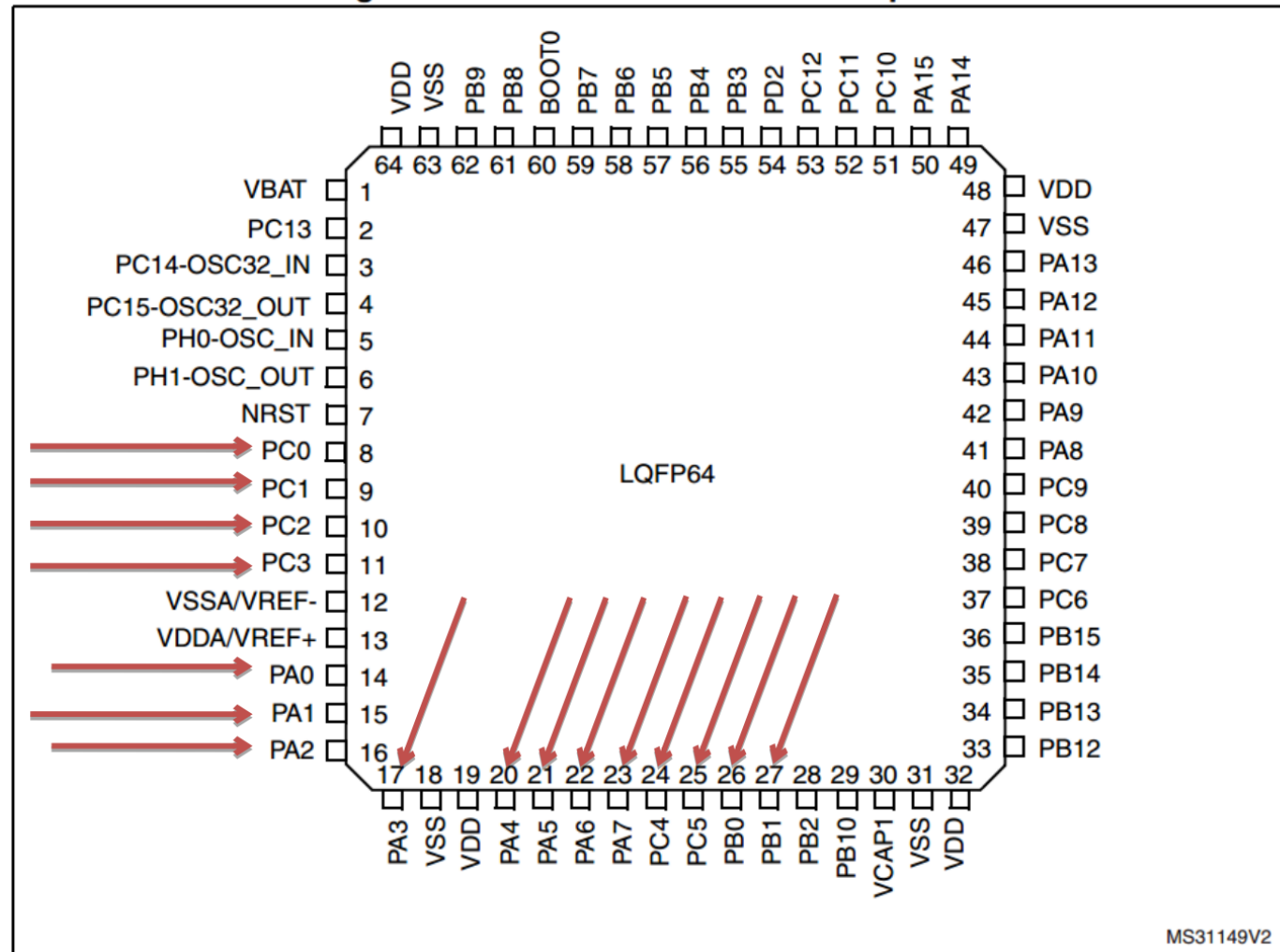
Example: 12-bit converter
Reference $V_{\text{ref}} = 3.3\text{V}$
Sampling time $T_s = 1\text{ms}$,
 $f_s = 1\text{kHz}$

Number of possible values:
 $N = 2^{12} = 4096$ Resolution,
 $Q = V_{\text{ref}}/N \approx 0.8\text{mV}$

Analog anti-alias filter:
 $f_{\text{lp}} \approx 1/(T_s \times 5) = 200\text{Hz}$

ADC ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERTER

Figure 12. STM32F401xD/xE LQFP64 pinout



QUADRATURE DECODER

Rotary encoders

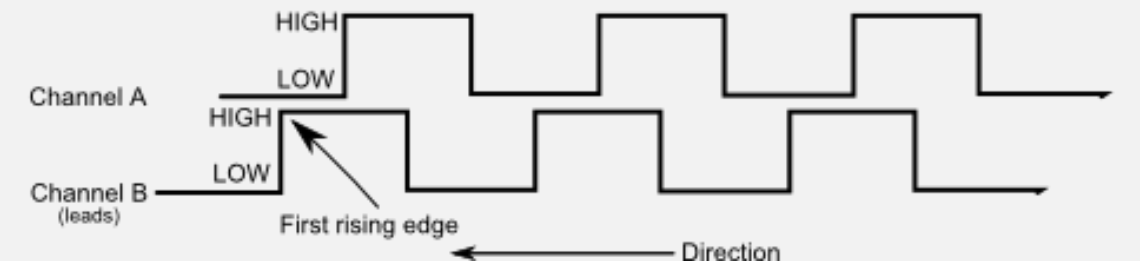
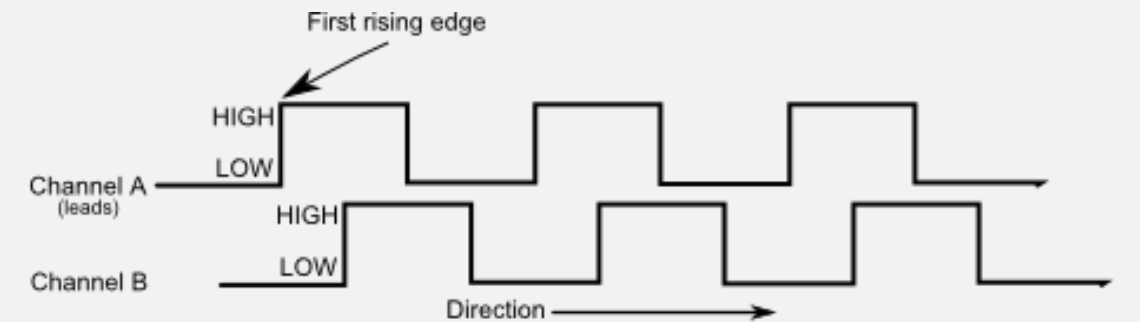
Linear / optical encoders etc

INCREMENTAL

Number of steps

Direction

QEI peripheral in MCU



USE CASES

Turn on/off

Adjust on/off time

Control voltage/current

Dim LEDs, Lamps...

Motor torque/speed

Servos

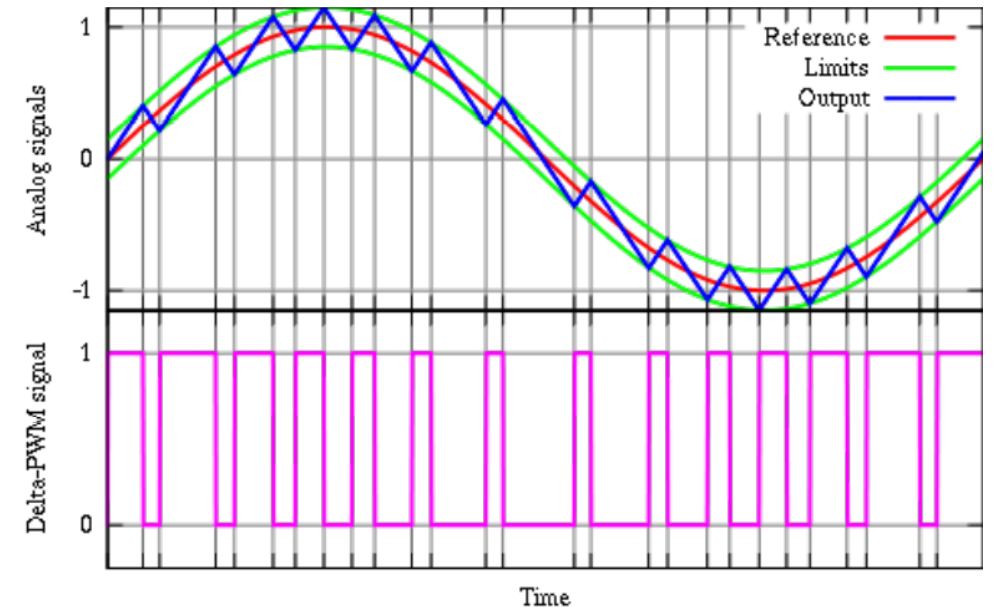
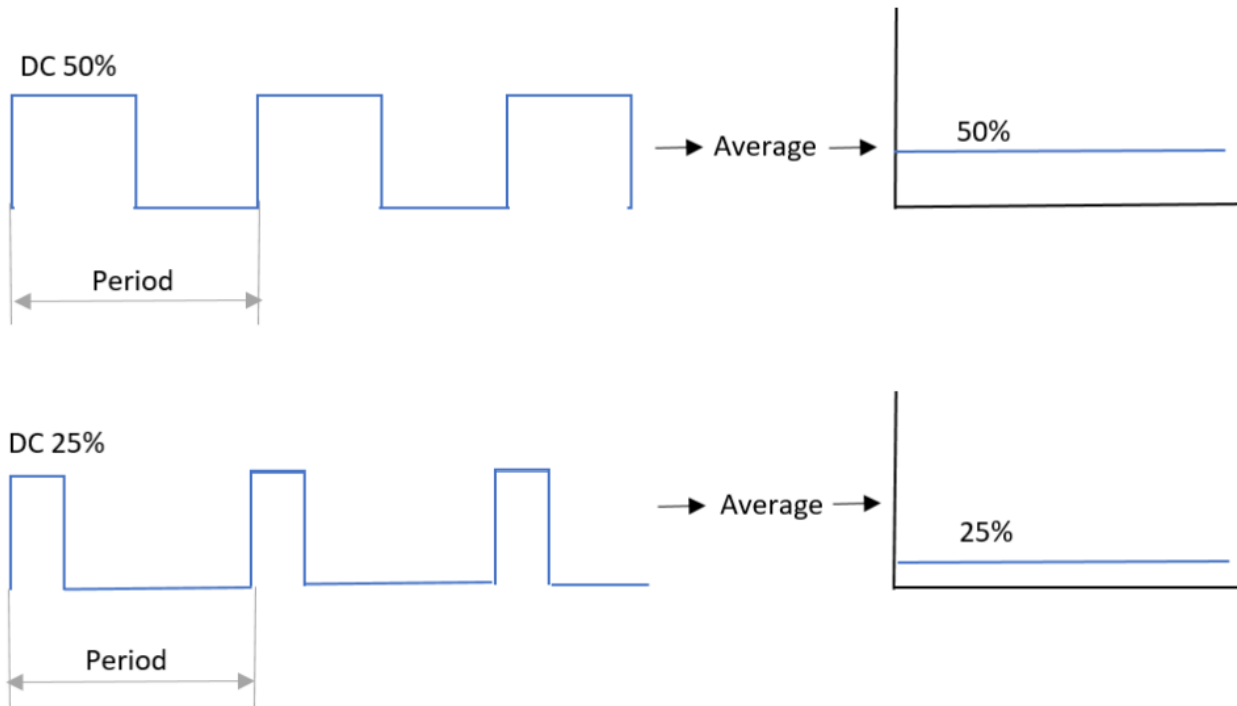
Loudspeakers

PWM PULSE-WIDTH MODULATION

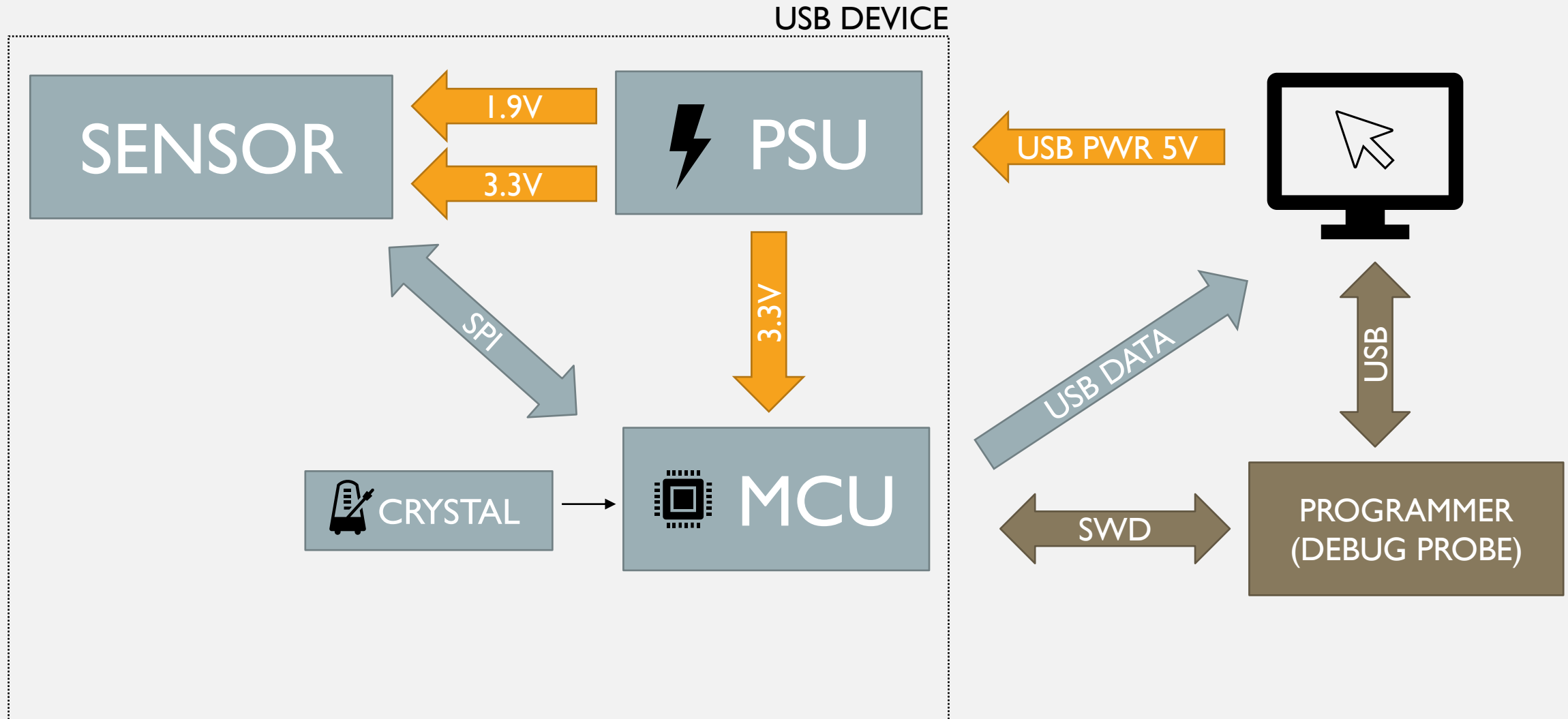
DUTY CYCLE

ON vs OFF time

Averaging filter (LPF)



BLOCK DIAGRAM



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