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Introduction

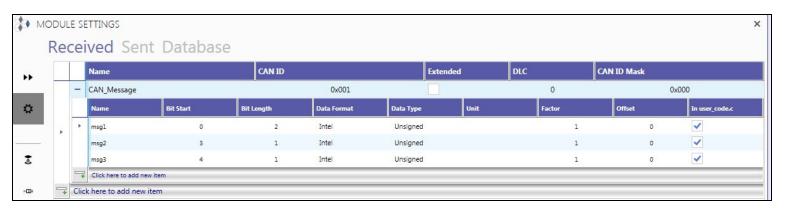
In this sample program for the MicroPlex 7H, we will walk through the set-up of the module settings in the MicroPlex Lab and explain what each part of the written code does. This program shows how to utilize the PWM feature for pin 12 while still using pin 9 as a basic digital output.

Component Layout and Module Settings

The following image shows the layout of the components; it is simply pin 12 on the MicroPlex 7H connected to an Ultra Micro relay and pin 9 connected to a 10 A fuse. To place the components just drag and drop them, and to place a wire just click on a module pin and drag to the other components.



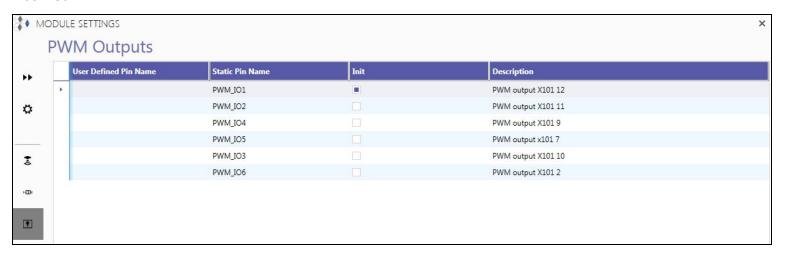
Next, we must initialize the data in the Module Settings. This can be accessed by right clicking on the MicroPlex that has already been placed in the Lab. The settings used in the sample program are shown below.



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From this same window, click on the PWM tab on the left hand side and make sure that the PWM output for pin 12 is initialized:



Once this is all setup, we can add a trigger to an output pin by double clicking on the wire that connects the MicroPlex to the relay. The following window will pop up once the wire has been double-clicked.



By then selecting a data point, which we defined earlier in particular CAN messages from the Module Settings, we decide what controls this trigger. This means that triggers use predetermined bit(s) from a CAN bus message to control the output of a pin on the MicroPlex.

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The sample program has a trigger assigned to pin 9 whose output now depends on the bit that was labeled as "msg3". The picture below shows what the window looks like after this trigger is set.



Coding the MicroPlex Module

Now that we have finished designing the MicroPlex circuit and set up the module settings and triggers, we are ready to input code that is a little more complicated, but adds additional functionality. To open up the coding window, right click on the module and select "Open user_code.c".

There are many things that will already be written and commented out in this file. Much of this is an explanation of default functions and variables that the user can utilize. For instance, one of the first things you will see is a list of the names used to label certain outputs/inputs. A screenshot of this is found below. ('X101 12' is used to refer to pin 12 on the MicroPlex)

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Directly under the list of analog inputs should be some example variables. We want to change it to the following:

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// ------
// Example variables
// -----
uint8_t var1, var2;
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The majority of code we write goes in the function "void usercode(void){ }". You can use "Ctrl+f" to search for this function within the code. This programs usercode is shown below.

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This code's first two lines use the "can_db_get_value()" function to assign the values of msg1 and msg2 to var1 and var2. We then determine the PWM output of pin 12 with these variables and basic C commands.

The bottom of the code is a line that would just turn pin 9 on and off depending on msg3, but this has already been done with triggers previously, so I commented that line out.

As you can see, there are many ways to utilize the MicroPlex. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the product, please feel free to reach out to our team at Chief Enterprises!