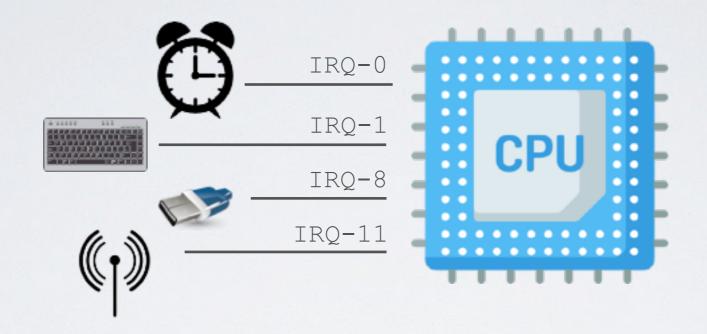
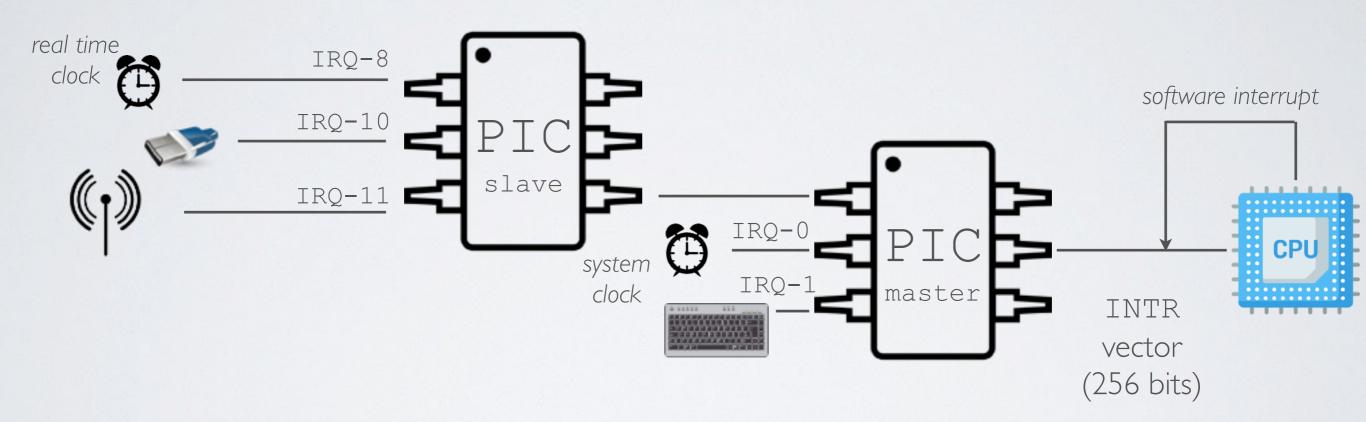
External Interrupt - the naive implementation



- → I/O devices are wired to Interrupt Request lines (IRQs)
- Not flexible (hardwired)
- CPU might get interrupted all the time
- How to handle interrupt priority

Internal Interrupt and External Interrupt - the real implementation



→ I/O devices have unique or shared IRQs that are managed by two Programmable Interrupt Controllers (PIC)