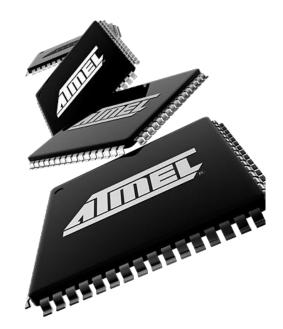
Principles and Applications of Microcontrollers

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Today:

- AVR clock system
- Timer and counter



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Review – Bit-wise Operation

Bit-wise operators: <<, ~, &, |, ^

Bits:

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CLKPR

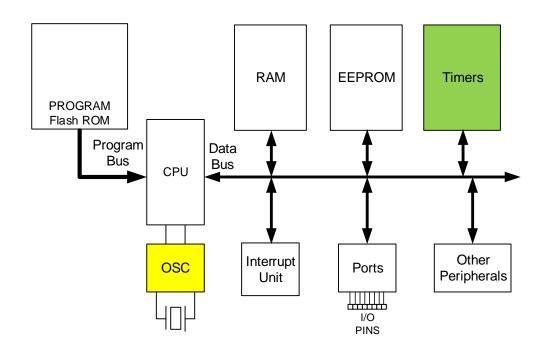
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CLKPCE	-	-	-	CLKPS3	CLKPS2	CLKPS1	CLKPS0

- Pseudo code:
 - if(CLKPR[CLKPS2]==1)
 - if(CLKPR[CLKPS2]==0)

- CLKPR[CLKPS2]=1;
- CLKPR[CLKPS2]=0;

Outline

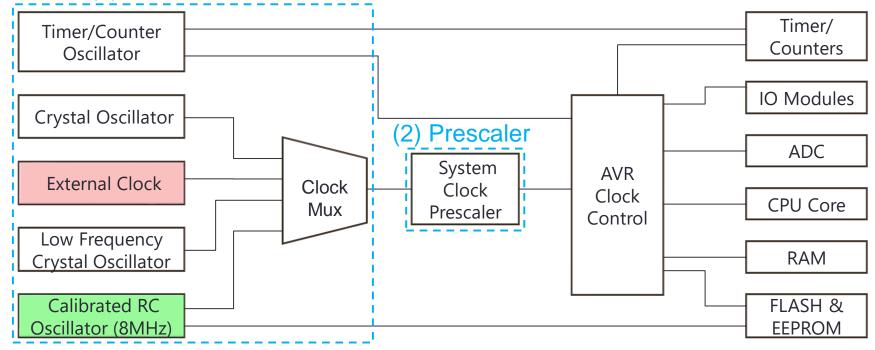
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AVR ATmega328P Clock System

- Determined by (1) clock source and (2) prescaler
- Default clock is internal 8MHz oscillator and ÷ 1 prescale, yielding 8MHz CPU clock (up to 5-10% error)

(1) Clock source



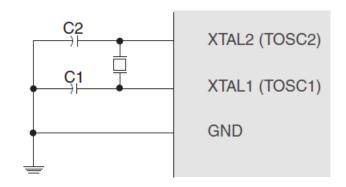
By default

(1) Clock Source Options

Clock source selected by fuse bits CKSEL3:CKSEL0

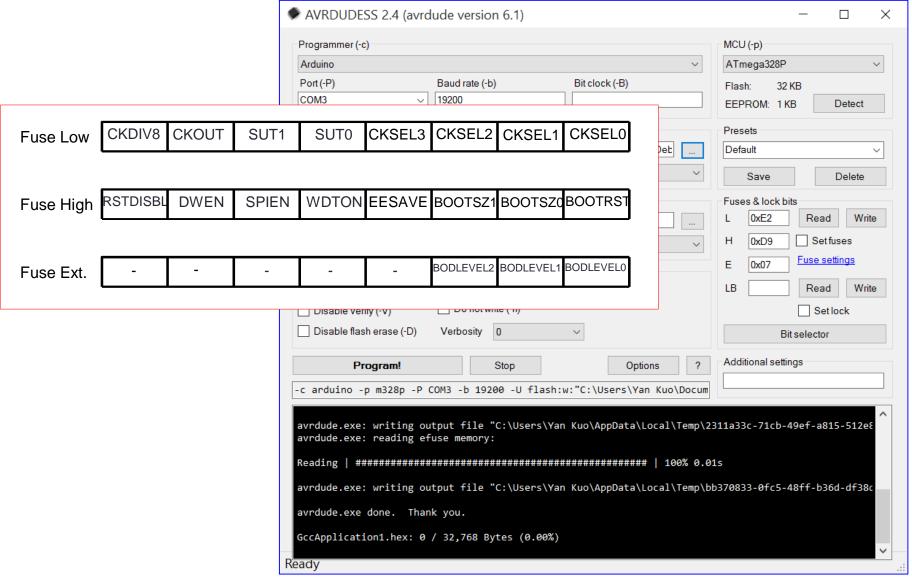
Device Clocking Option	CKSEL30	
Low Power Crystal Oscillator	1111 - 1000	
Full Swing Crystal Oscillator	0111 - 0110	
Low Frequency Crystal Oscillator	0101 - 0100	
Internal 128kHz RC Oscillator	0011	
Calibrated Internal RC Oscillator	0010	—
External Clock	0000	(
Reserved	0001	

Crystal oscillator connections:



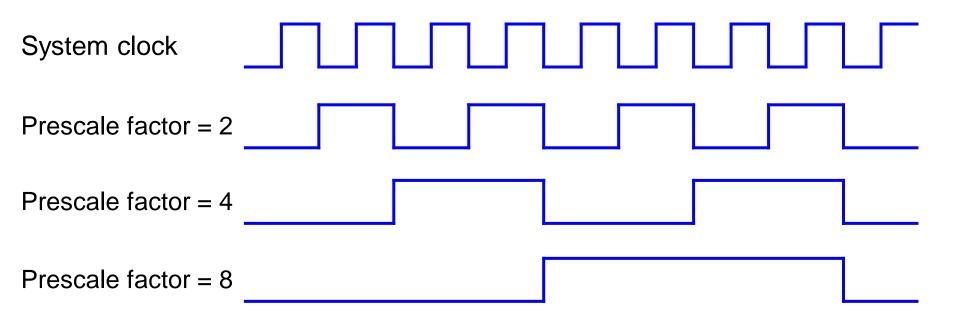
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Setting Fuse in AVRDUDESS



(2) Prescalar

 Used to reduce a high frequency digital pulse signal (system clock) to a lower frequency digital pulse signal



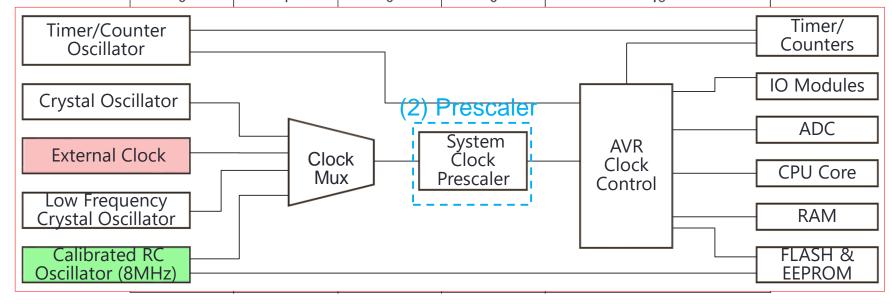
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Prescaler Options – Register CLKPR

CLKPR

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
CLKPCE	-	-	-	CLKPS3	CLKPS2	CLKPS1	CLKPS0

	Clock Division Factor	CLKPS0	CLKPS1	CLKPS2	CLKPS3
(=	1	0	0	0	0
	2	1	0	0	0
	4	0	1	0	0
(8	1	1	0	0
	16	0	0	1	0

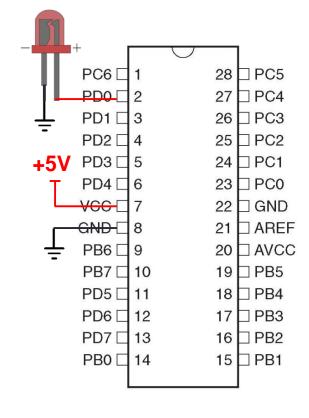


Example: Change Clock Prescaler

- Adjust the clock prescaler to make the MCU run at 1MHz
- Connect an LED to PD0

```
#define F CPU 1000000UL
#include <avr/io.h>
#include <util/delay.h>
int main(void)
    CLKPR=(1<<CLKPCE);
    CLKPR=0b00000011;
    DDRD=0b11111111;
    while (1) {
       PORTD=0b00000001;
       delay ms(500);
       PORTD=0b00000000;
      delay ms(500);
```

LED flashes at 1Hz



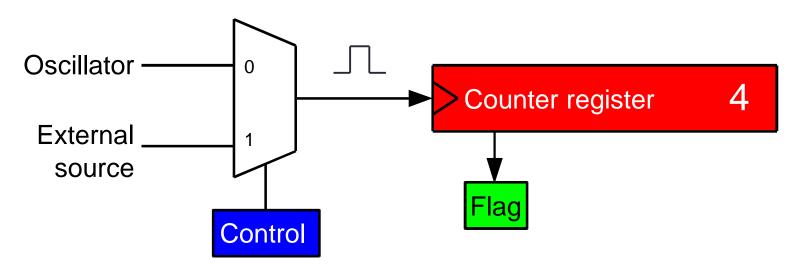
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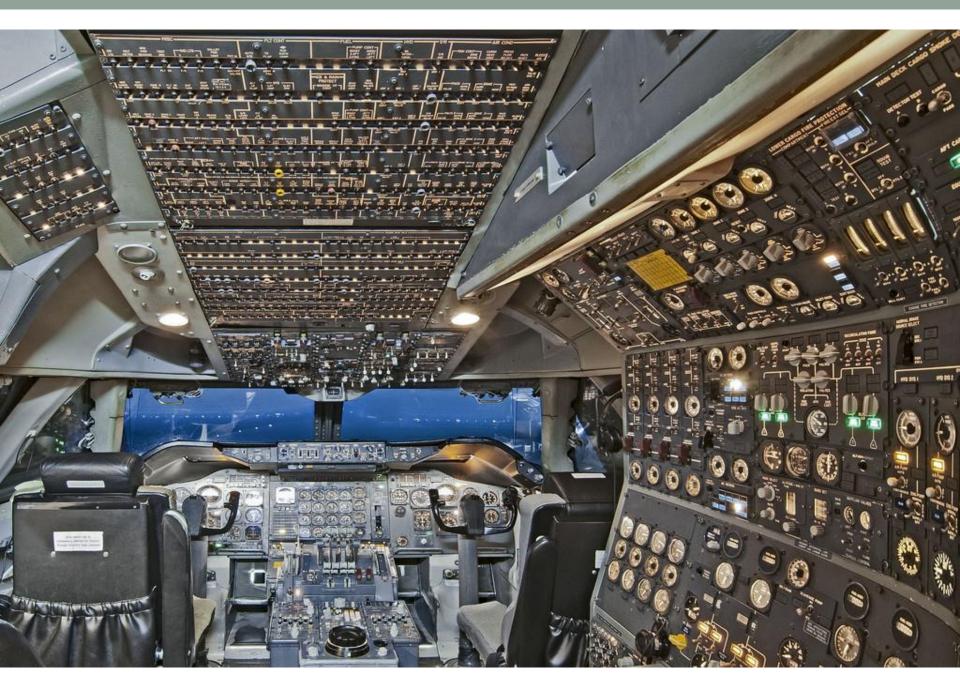
The Concept of A Timer/Counter

- Counts the number of pulses it received
- Used as a timer when the period of pulses are known
- A generic timer is composed of at least three registers
 - One for control purposes control register
 - One for counting purposes data register
 - One for flag purposes status register



Timers in AVR

- Three timers in ATmega328P
 - Timer0: 8-bit
 - Timer1: 16-bit
 - Timer2: 8-bit
- Features
 - Single compare unit counter
 - Clear timer on compare match (auto reload)
 - External event counter
 - 10-bit clock prescaler



8-bit

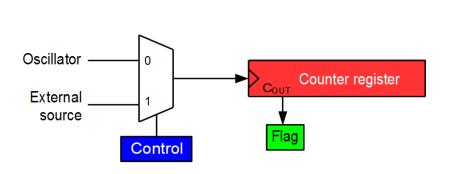
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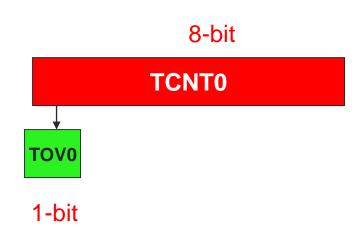
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TCCR0A

Timer0

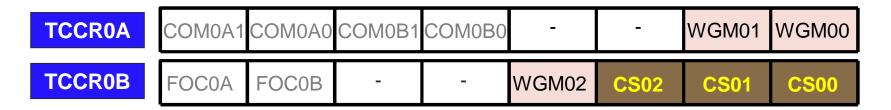
- TCNTO (Timer/counter register)
- TCCR0A/B (Timer/counter control register)
- TOVO (Timer overflow <u>flag</u>) (as a bit in register TIFR0)





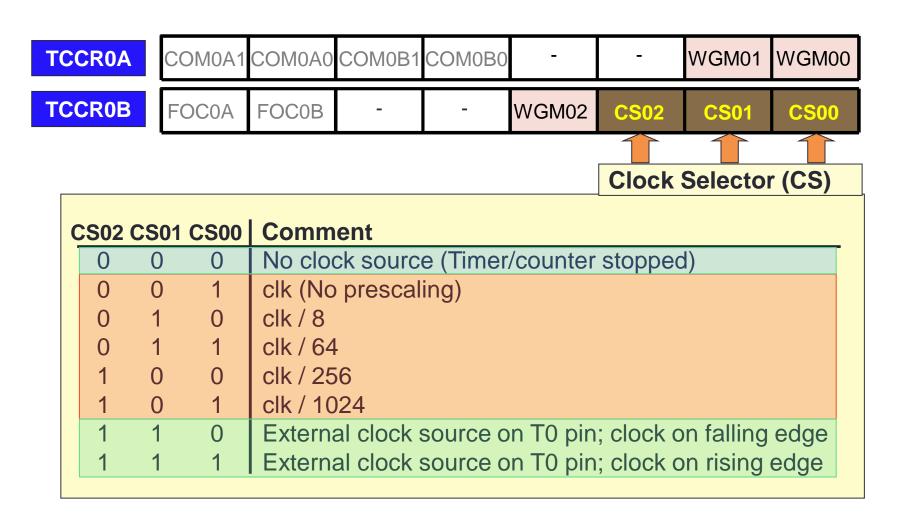
TIFRO - - - - OCFOB OCFOA TOVO

Control Registers – TCCR0A/B

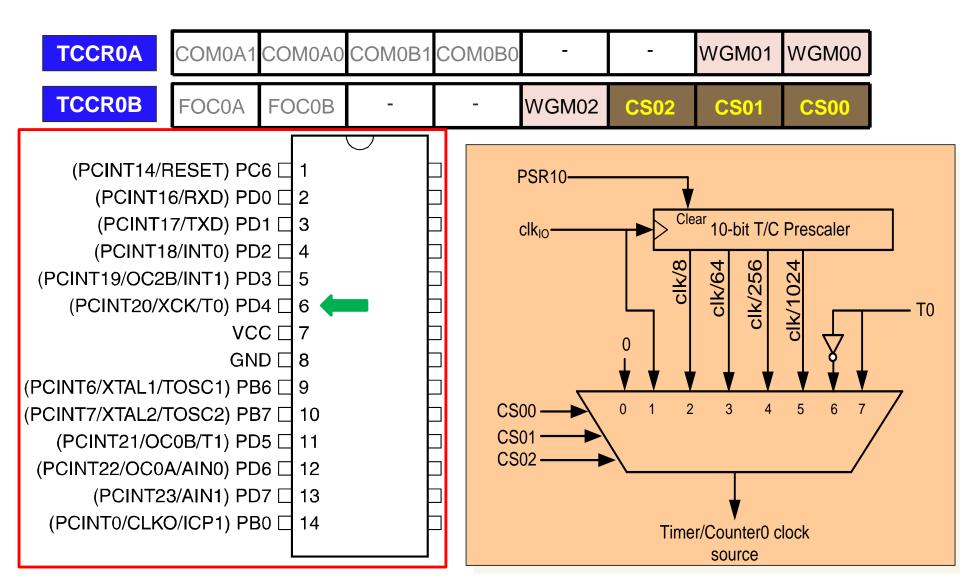


- Determine (1) <u>clock source</u> and (2) <u>operation mode</u>
- CS0n WGM0n
- COM0n compare output mode
- FOC0n force compare match

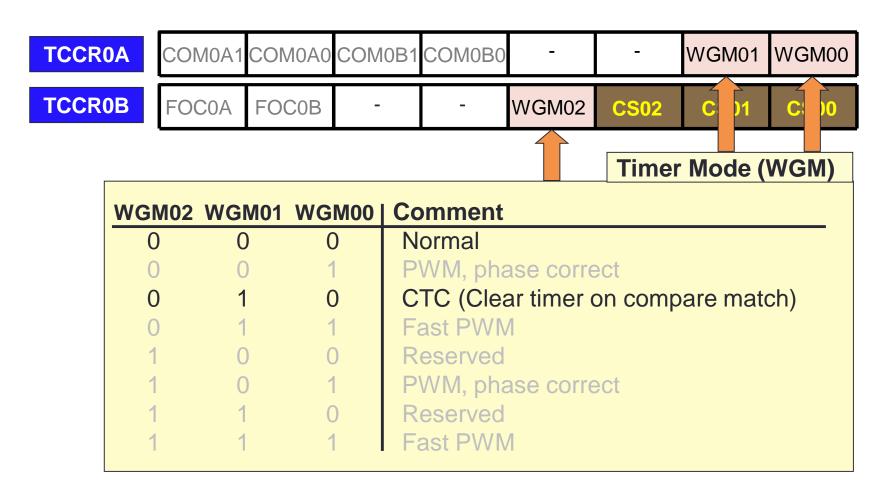
Clock Selector



Control Registers – TCCR0A/B

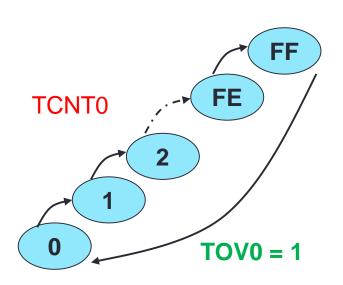


Timer Mode

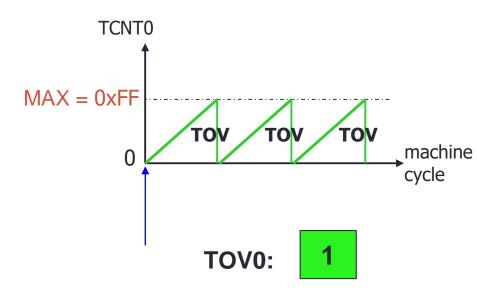


Normal Mode

- The content of the timer counts up until it reaches its max of 0xFF (MAX)
- The flag TOV0 = 1 when
 TCNT0 == 0





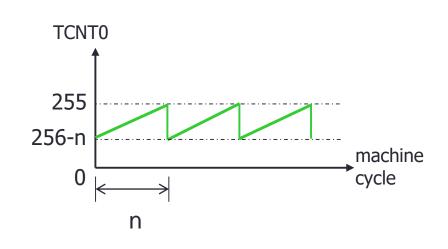


Watch how TOVO change!!

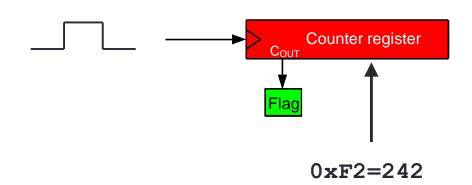
Example: Counting 14 Machine Cycles (Normal)

- Use Timer0 to count 14 machine cycles indefinitely
- Strategy:

Set TCNT0 = 256 – n, where n is the machine cycles to count



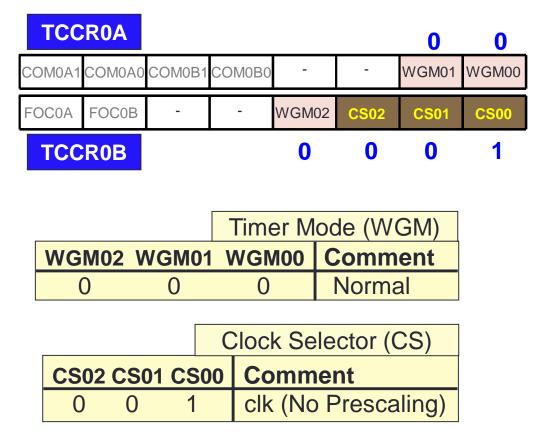
$$0x100 = 256$$
 $-0x 0E = 14$
 $0x F2 = 242$

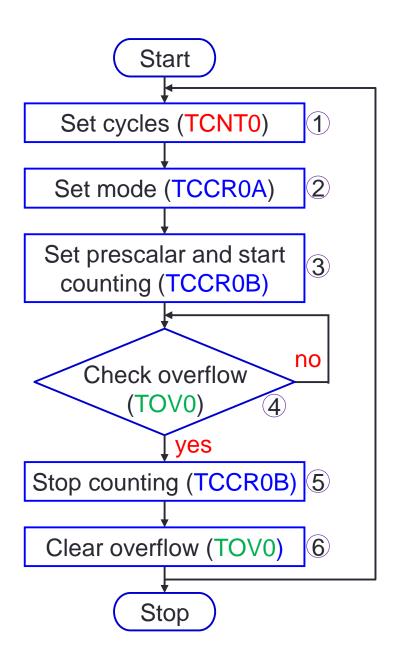


TCNT0

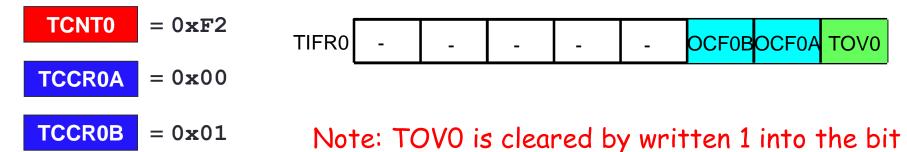
Flowchart (Normal)

 What value do we set the controller registers?





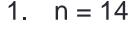
Counting14 Machine Cycles (Normal)



```
#include <avr/io.h>
int main(void)
    while (1) {
     (1) TCNT0=0xF2;
                                           // n=14
    (2) TCCR0A=0x00;
                                           // normal mode, int clk
    (3) TCCR0B=0x01;
                                           // start Timer0
     (4) while ((TIFR0&(0b00000001))==0); // wait for flag TOV0=1
    (5) TCCR0B=0x00;
                                           // stop Timer0
                                           // clear TOV0
    6 TIFR0=TIFR0 | (1<<TOV0);
```

Time Delay Produced by Timer

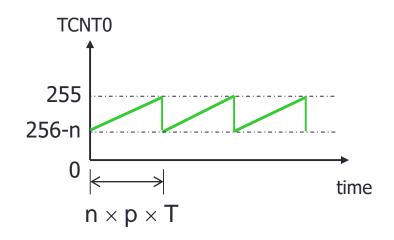
- Procedure to calculate the delay generated by the timer:
 - 1. Machine cycles: n
 - 2. Prescalar factor: p
 - 3. Machine cycle period: T = 1/f
- Time delay: $t = n \times p \times T$
- Suppose the clock of a MCU runs at 1 MHz
- For the previous example:



2.
$$p = 1$$

3.
$$T = 1/f = 1/1MHz = 1\mu s$$

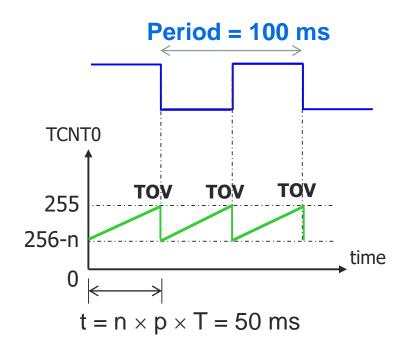
$$t = 14 \times 1 \times 1 \mu s = 14 \mu s$$



Example: Square Wave at 10Hz

- Suppose a MCU runs at 1MHz (i.e., the clock period is 1µs)
- Write a program to generate a square wave at a frequency of 10Hz on pin 0 of Port D (PD0)
- The period is 0.1s (100ms)
- Need a time delay of 50ms
- TCNT0 setup:
 - 1. Prescaling factor p = 1024
 - 2. Period of clock $T = 1\mu s$
 - Number of machine cycles $n = 50ms / 1\mu s / 1024 \approx 50$

$$TCNT0 = 256 - 50 = 206$$



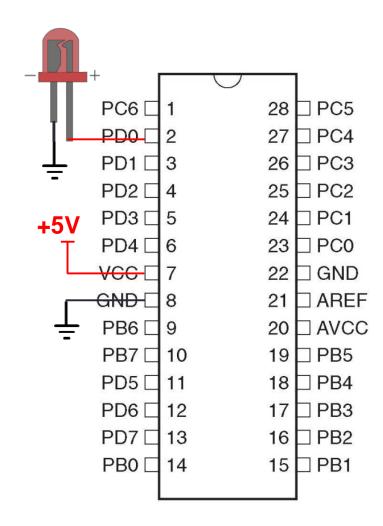
Square Wave at 10Hz

PD0	1	PD0^1
0	1	1
1	1	0

```
#include <avr/io.h>
int main(void)
    CLKPR= (1<<CLKPCE);
                                         // set clk to 1Mhz
    CLKPR=0b00000011;
    DDRD=0b00000001;
                                         // PD0 as output
    PORTD=0;
                                         // initial output 0
    while (1) {
      TCNT0=206;
      TCCR0A=0;
                                         // normal mode, int clk
      TCCR0B=0b00000101;
                                         // p=1024, start Timer
      while ((TIFR0&(1<<TOV0))==0); // wait for flag TOV0=1
      TCCR0B=0;
                                         // stop Timer
                                         // clear TOV0
      TIFR0=TIFR0 | (1<<TOV0);
      PORTD=PORTD^0b0000001;
```

Practice: Square Wave at 10Hz

 Connect an LED to PD0 and flash it at a frequency of 10Hz



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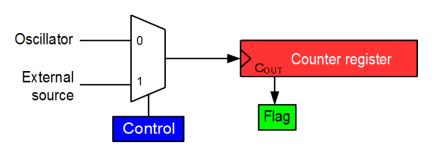
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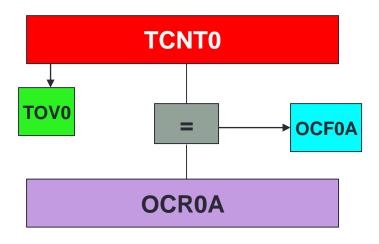


Timer0

TCNTO (Timer/counter register)

- TCCR0A TCCR0B
- TCCR0A/B (Timer/counter control register)
- TOV0 (Timer overflow flag)
- OCROA (Output compare register)
- OCFOA (Output compare match <u>flag</u>)

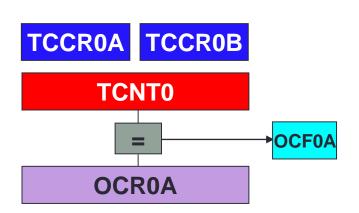


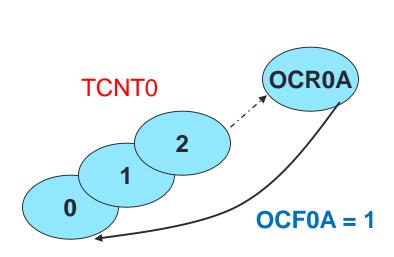


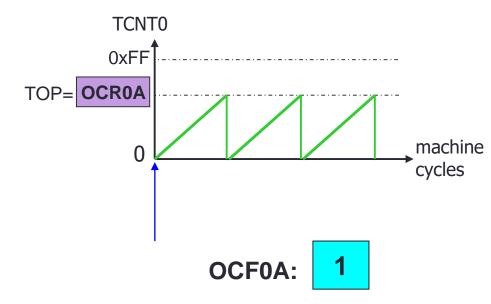
TIFR0 - - - - OCF0B OCF0A TOV0

Clear Timer on CTC Mode

- The timer counts up until
 TCNT0 == OCR0A (NOT OCR0B)
- The flag OCF0A = 1 when
 TCNT0 == 0



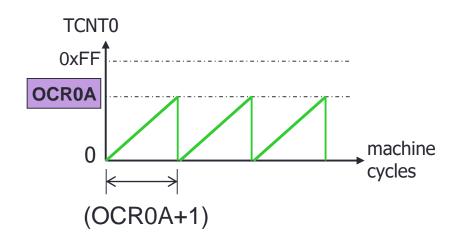


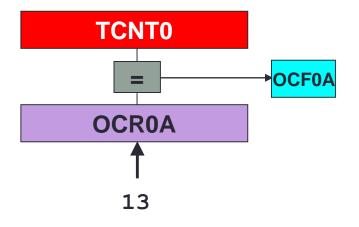


Watch how TOVO change!!

Example: Counting14 Machine Cycles (CTC)

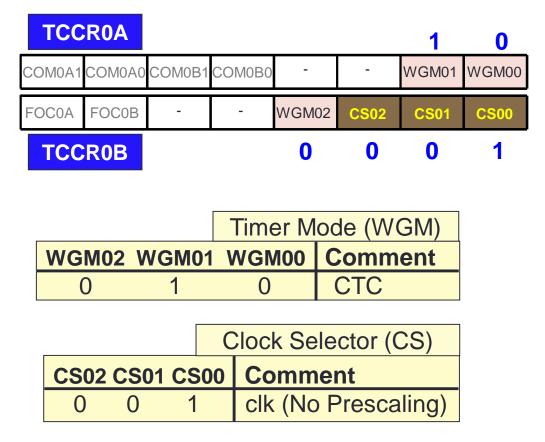
- Use Timer0 to count 14 machine cycles indefinitely
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- Strategy:
 Set OCR0A = n -1, where n is the machine cycles to count

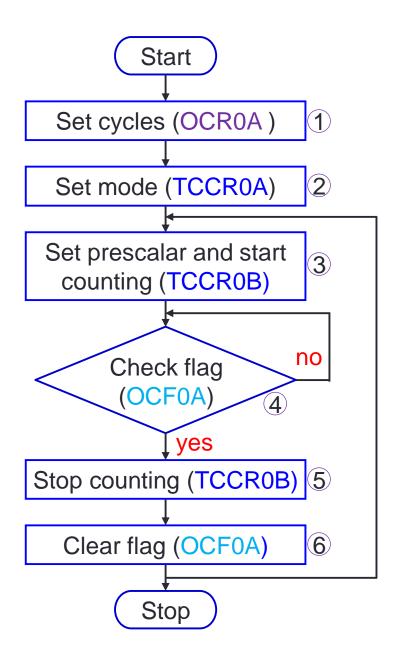




Flowchart (CTC)

 What value do we set the controller registers?





Counting14 Machine Cycles (CTC)

```
#include <avr/io.h>
int main(void)
 (1) OCR0A=13;
                                          // n=14
 (2) TCCR0A=0x02;
                                          // CTC mode, int clk
    while (1) {
 3
      TCCR0B=0x01;
                                          // start Timer0
 4
      while ((TIFR0&(1<<OCF0A))==0); // wait for flag TOV0=1
 5
      TCCR0B=0x00;
                                          // stop Timer0
                                          // clear OCROA
      TIFR0=TIFR0 | (1<<OCF0A);
```

Practice: Square Wave at 10Hz (CTC)

```
    Suppose a MCU runs at 1MHz

 Generate a square wave at a frequency of 10Hz on PD0

    Use time in the CTC mode

                                        Period = 100 ms
```

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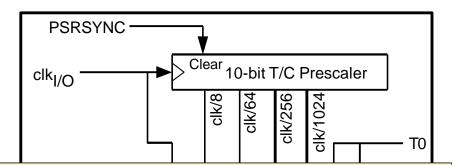
Register: Timer0 vs. Timer2

Timer0Timer2

TCCR0A	COM0A1	COM0A0	COM0B1	СОМ0В0	-	-	WGM01	WGM00
TCCR0B	FOC0A	FOC0B	-	-	WGM02	CS02	CS01	CS00
TIFR0	-	-	-	-	-	OCF0B	OCF0A	TOV0
TCCR2A	COM2A1	COM2A0	COM2B1	СОМ0В0	-	-	WGM21	MONAGO
	1						********	WGM20
TCCR2B	FOC2A	FOC2B	-	-	WGM22	CS22	CS21	CS20
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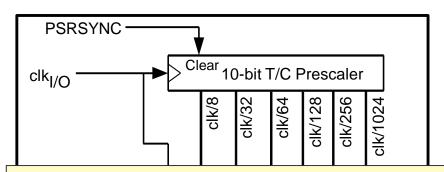
Prescaler: Timer0 vs. Timer2

Timer0



CS02 CS01 CS00 Comment 0 0 0 Timer/Counter stopped clk (No Prescaling) 0 0 1 0 clk / 8 0 1 1 0 clk / 64 1 0 0 0 clk / 256 1 0 1 0 clk / 1024 1 1 0 External clock (falling edge) 1 1 1 External clock (rising edge)

Timer2



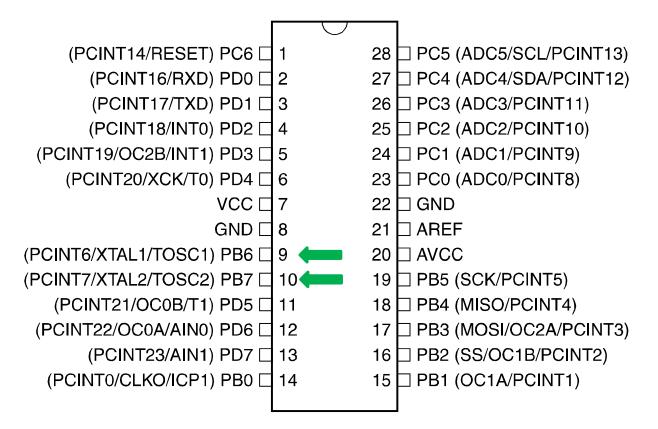
CS22	CS21	CS20	Comment
0	0	0	Timer/Counter stopped
0	0	1	clk (No Prescaling)
0	1	0	clk / 8
0	1	1	clk / 32
1	0	0	clk / 64
1	0	1	clk / 128
1	1	0	clk / 256
1	1	1	clk / 1024

Example: Square Wave at 10Hz (CTC, Time2)

```
#include <avr/io.h>
int main(void)
    CLKPR= (1<<CLKPCE);
    CLKPR=0b00000011;
                                               // set clk to 1Mhz
    DDRD=0b00000001;
                                               // PD0 as output
    PORTD=0;
                                               // initial output 0
                                               // n=14
    OCR2A=49;
    TCCR2A= (1<<WGM21);
                                               // normal mode, int clk
    while (1) {
       TCCR2B= (1<<CS22) | (1<<CS21) | (1<<CS20); // p=1024, start Timer
       while ((TIFR2&(1<<OCF2A))==0);</pre>
                                               // wait for flag TOV0=1
                                               // stop Timer
       TCCR2B=0;
       TIFR2 = (1 < OCF2A);
                                               // clear TOV0
       PORTD^=0b00000001;
                                               // toggle
```

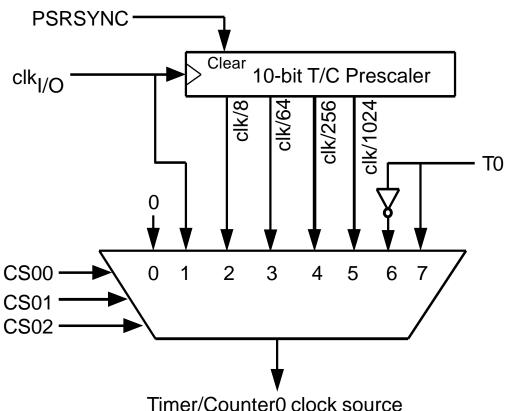
Timer2 as A Real Time Counter

- Enable external oscillator by setting AS2 bit in ASSR
- Connect TOSC1 and TOSC2 to a crystal of 32.768KHz too be a real time counter



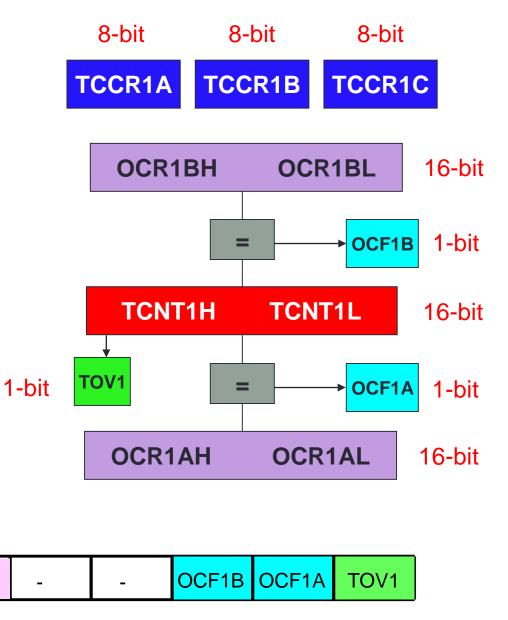
Generating Large Time Delays

- Using loop
- Prescaler
- Bigger counters



Timer1

- 16-bit register
 - TCNT1H + TCNT1L
 - OCR1AH + OCR1BH
 - OCR1BH + OCR1BL
- 8-bit register
 - TCCR1A
 - TCCR1B
 - TCCR1C
- Flag in register TIFR1
 - TOV1 in bit 0
 - OCF1A in bit 1
 - OCF1B in bit 2
 - ICF1 in bit 5

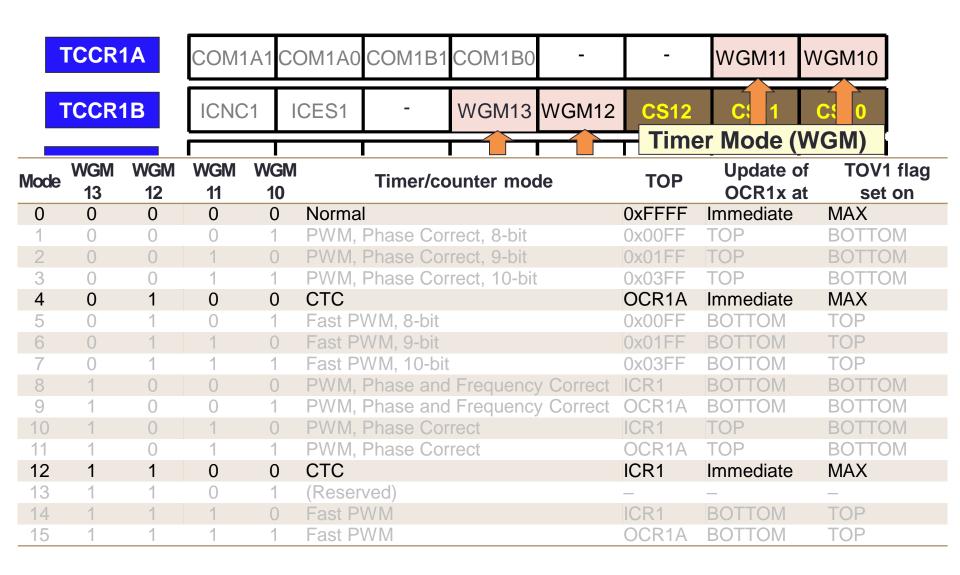


TIFR1

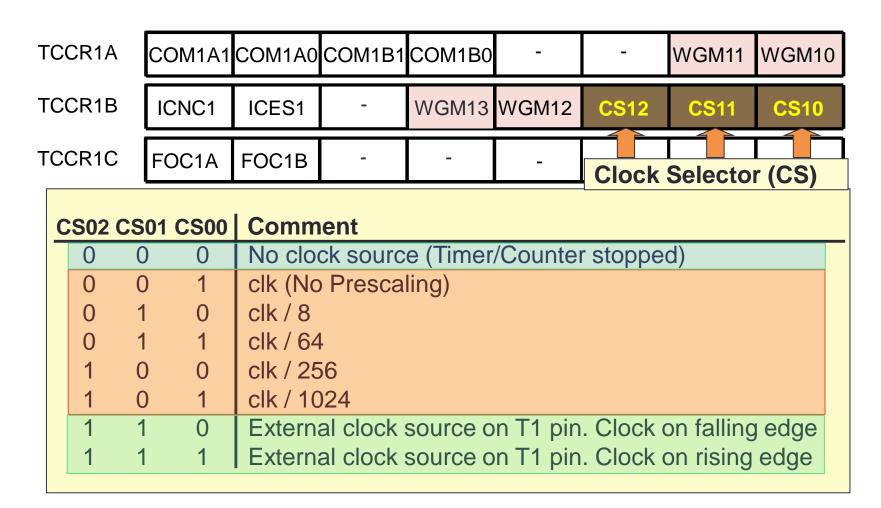
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Timer1 Control Register

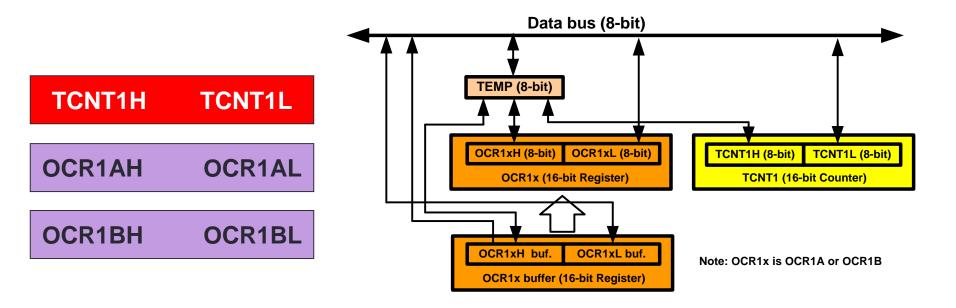


Timer1 Control Register



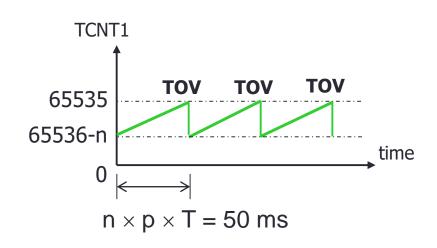
Read and Write 16-bit Registers

- To write a 16-bit register, the high byte must be written first
- To read a 16-bit register, the low byte must be read first



Example: Square Wave at 10Hz (Time1)

- A MCU runs at 1MHz
- Generate a square wave at 10Hz on PD0
- Use Timer1



- Timer setup:
 - 1. No prescaling, p = 1
 - 2. Period of clock $T = 1/1MHz = 1\mu s$
 - 3. Number of machine cycles $n = 50ms / 1 \mu s / 1 = 50,000$

Square Wave at 10Hz (Time1, Normal)

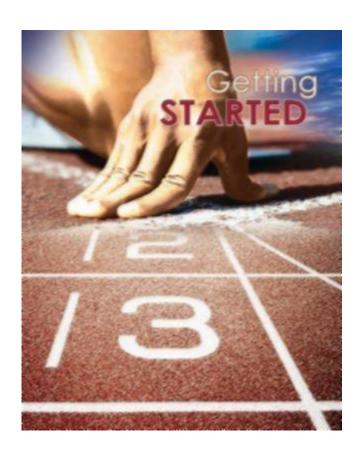
```
#include <avr/io.h>
int main(void)
{
    CLKPR=(1<<CLKPCE);
    CLKPR=(1 << CLKPS1) \mid (1 << CLKPS0); // set clk to 1Mhz
    DDRD=(1<<PORTD0);
                                         // PD0 as output
    PORTD=0;
                                          // initial output 0
    TCCR1A=0;
                                          // normal mode, int clk
    TCCR1C=0;
    while (1) {
      TCNT1H=0x3C;
      TCNT1L=0xB0;
       TCCR1B=(1<<CS10);
                                         // p=1, start Timer
      while ((TIFR1&(1<<TOV1))==0); // wait for flag TOV1=1
       TCCR1B=0;
                                         // stop Timer
                                         // clear TOV1
       TIFR1=(1<<TOV1);
       PORTD^=0b00000001;
```

Square Wave at 10Hz (Time1, CTC)

```
#include <avr/io.h>
int main(void)
{
   CLKPR=(1<<CLKPCE);
   DDRD=(1<<PORTD0);
                                    // PD0 as output
   PORTD=0;
                                    // initial output 0
   TCCR1A=0;
                                    // normal mode, int clk
   TCCR1C=0;
   OCR1AH=0xC3;
                                    // OCR1A=49,999
   OCR1AL=0x4F;
   while (1) {
      TCCR1B=(1<<WGM12) | (1<<CS10);  // p=1, start Timer
      while ((TIFR1&(1<<OCF1A))==0); // wait for flag TOV1=1
      TCCR1B=0;
                                    // stop Timer
                                    // clear TOV1
      TIFR1=(1<<OCF1A);
      PORTD^=0b00000001;
```

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