

EEL 4742 – Embedded Systems

Module 7 – I2C

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What is I2C

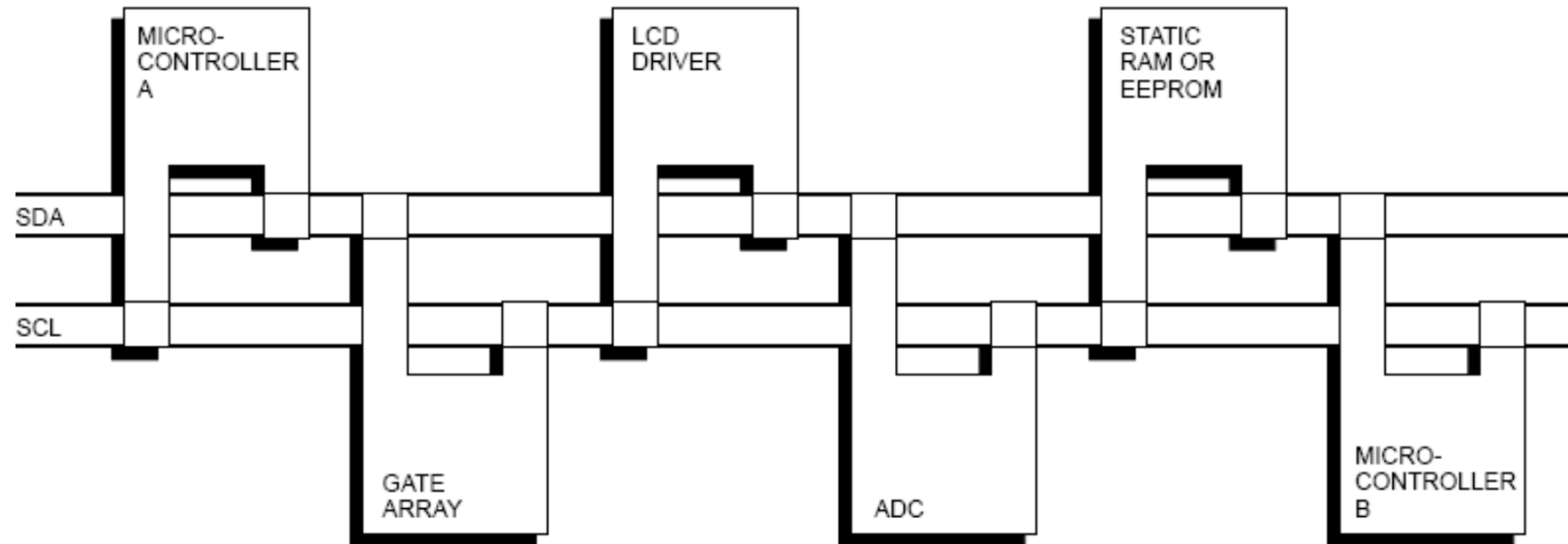


- **Inter-Integrated Circuit (I²C)** *Also called Two Wire Interface (TWI)*
 - Synchronous serial communication protocol developed by Philips (now NXP)
 - Communication between multiple devices (such as microcontrollers, sensors, memory chips, etc.)

BUS topology and has two wires

Serial data

Serial clock

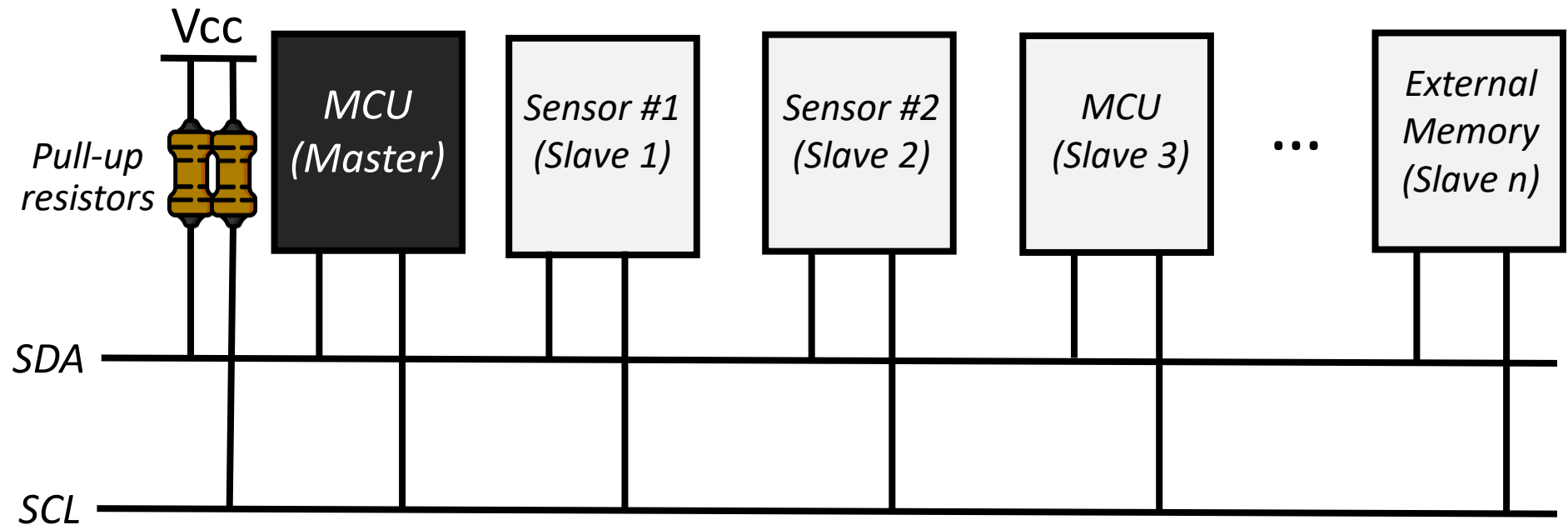


- **I2C is SYNCHRONOUS**
 - There is a shared clock reference between devices
 - Each side of communication use this clock source for transceiving data

I2C Communication

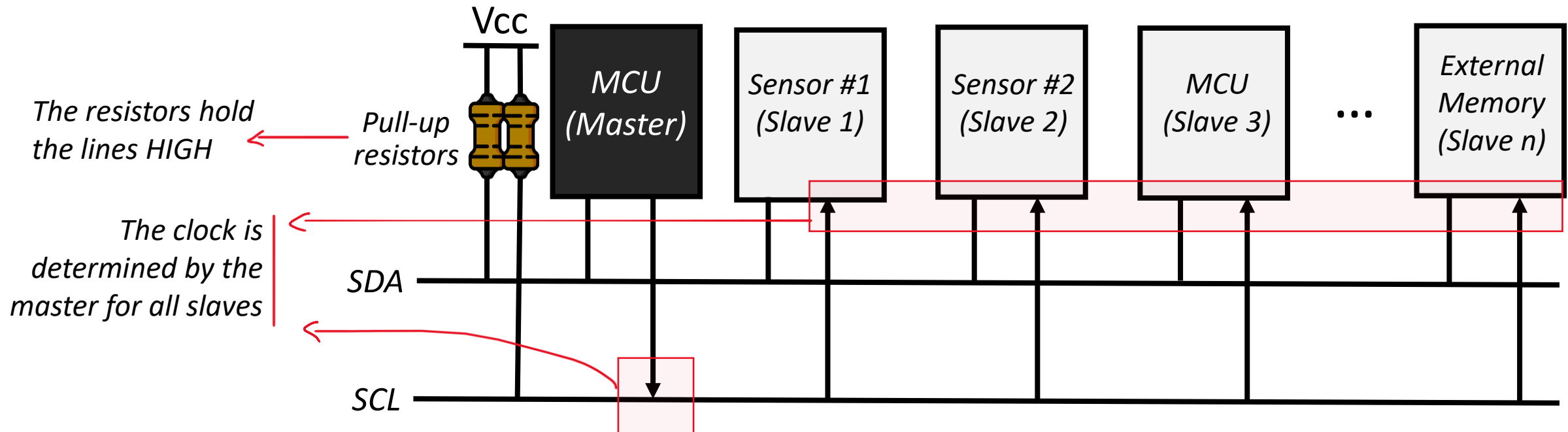


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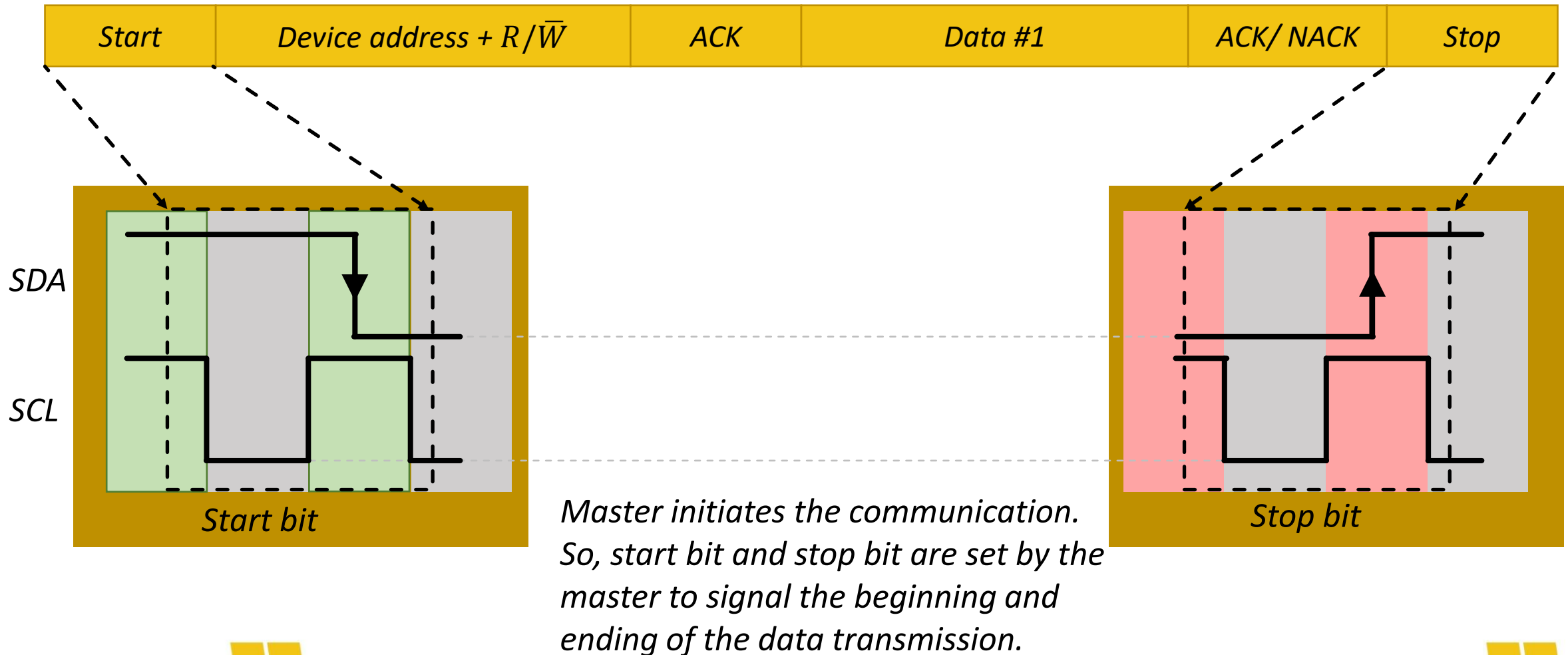
I2C Master-Slave Relationships



- We have primary devices vs. secondary devices
 - Primary transmitters/receivers
 - Secondary transmitters/receivers
- Suppose microcontroller A wants to **send** information to microcontroller B
 - A (primary) addresses B (secondary)
 - A (primary transmitter), sends data to B (secondary receiver)
 - A terminates the transfer
- Suppose microcontroller A wants to **receive** information from microcontroller B
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- The primary (microcontroller A) generates the timing and terminates the transfer

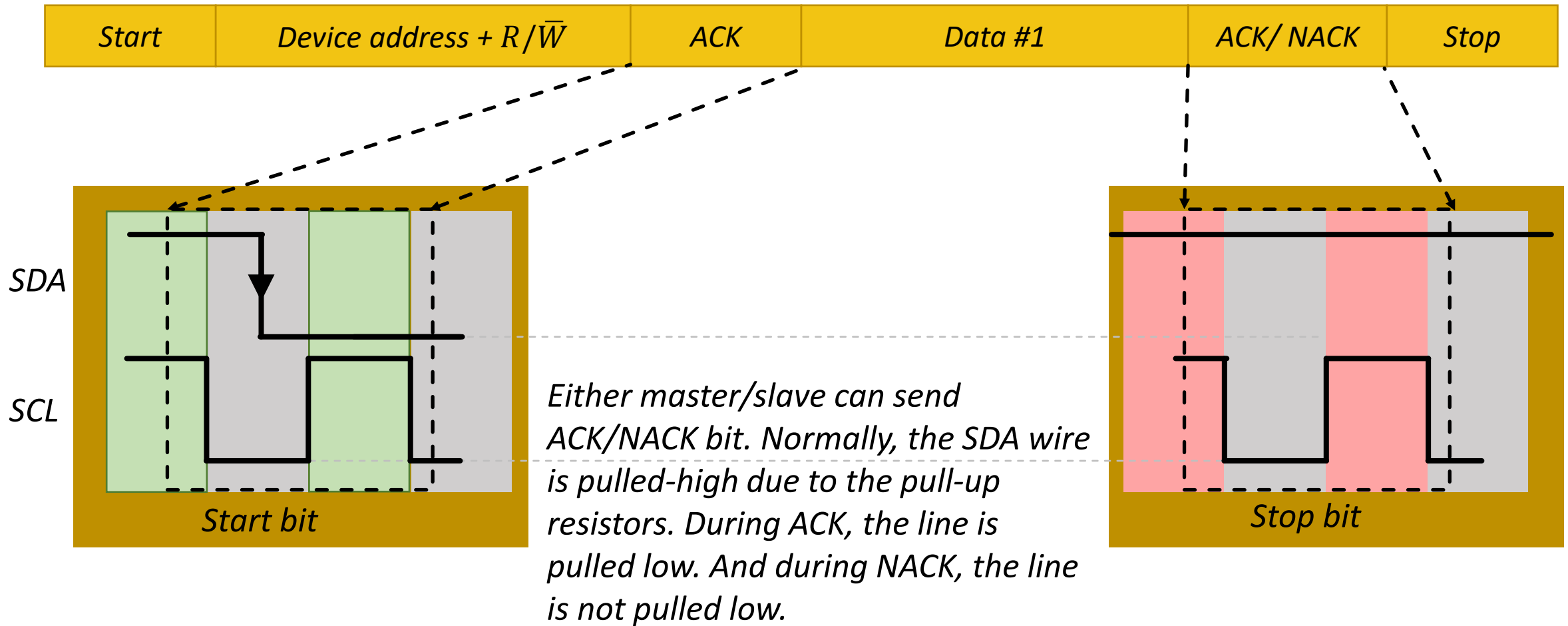
Data Packet in I2C

- Start and Stop Bit



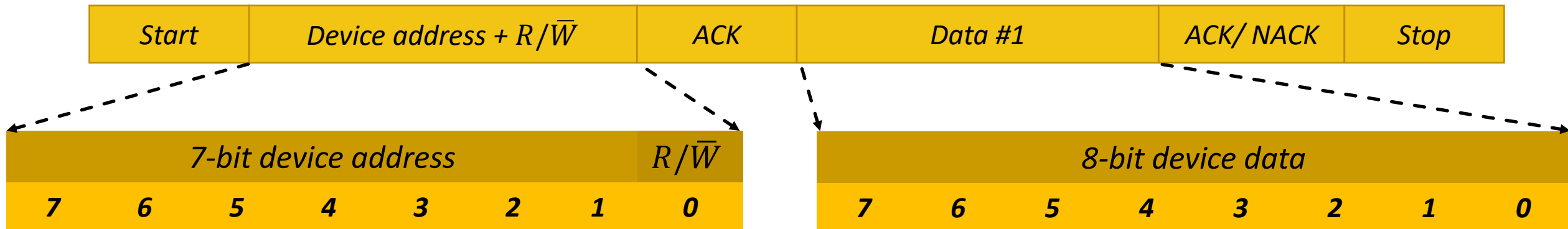
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- Ack and Nack signaling



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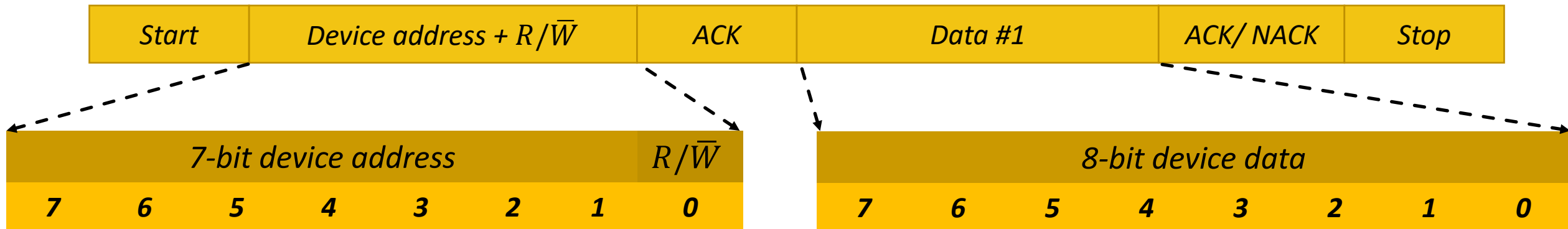
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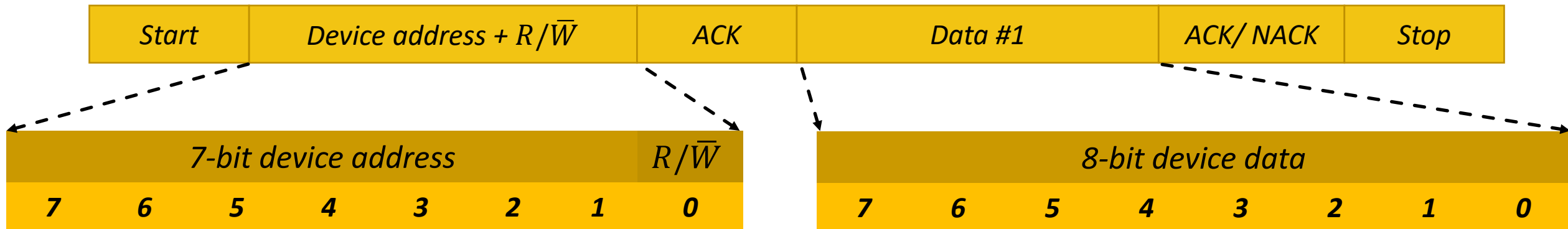
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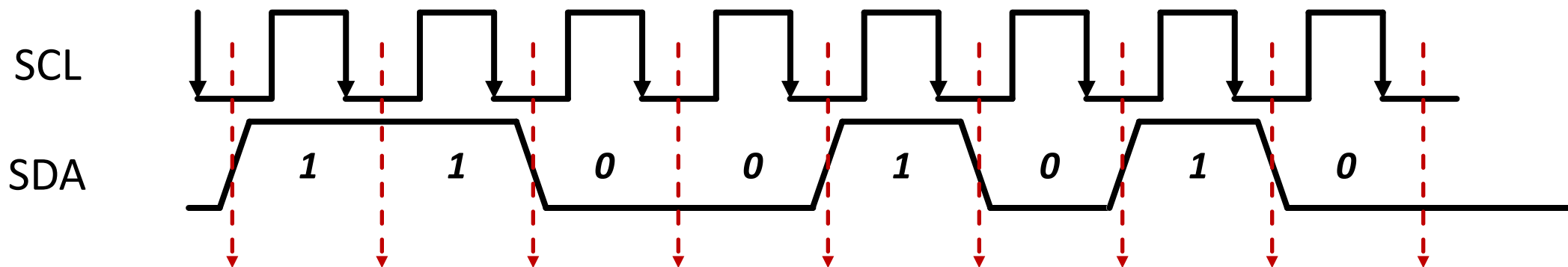
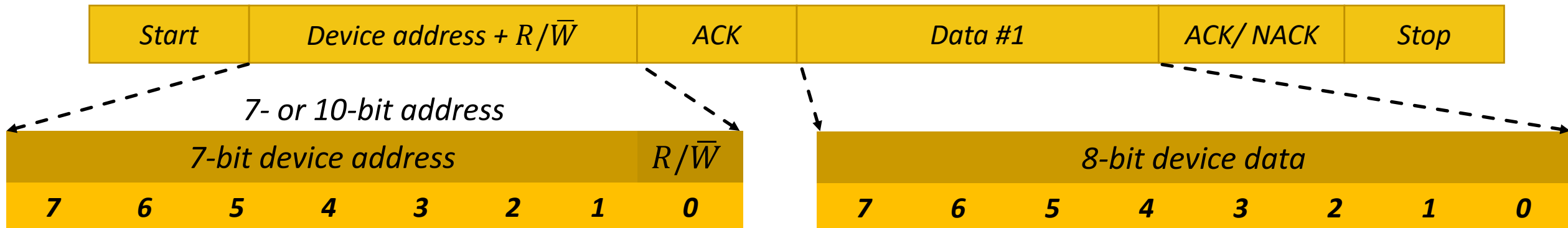
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(A) Yes, we can use {chip select, enable bits, or/and clock gating} (if available)

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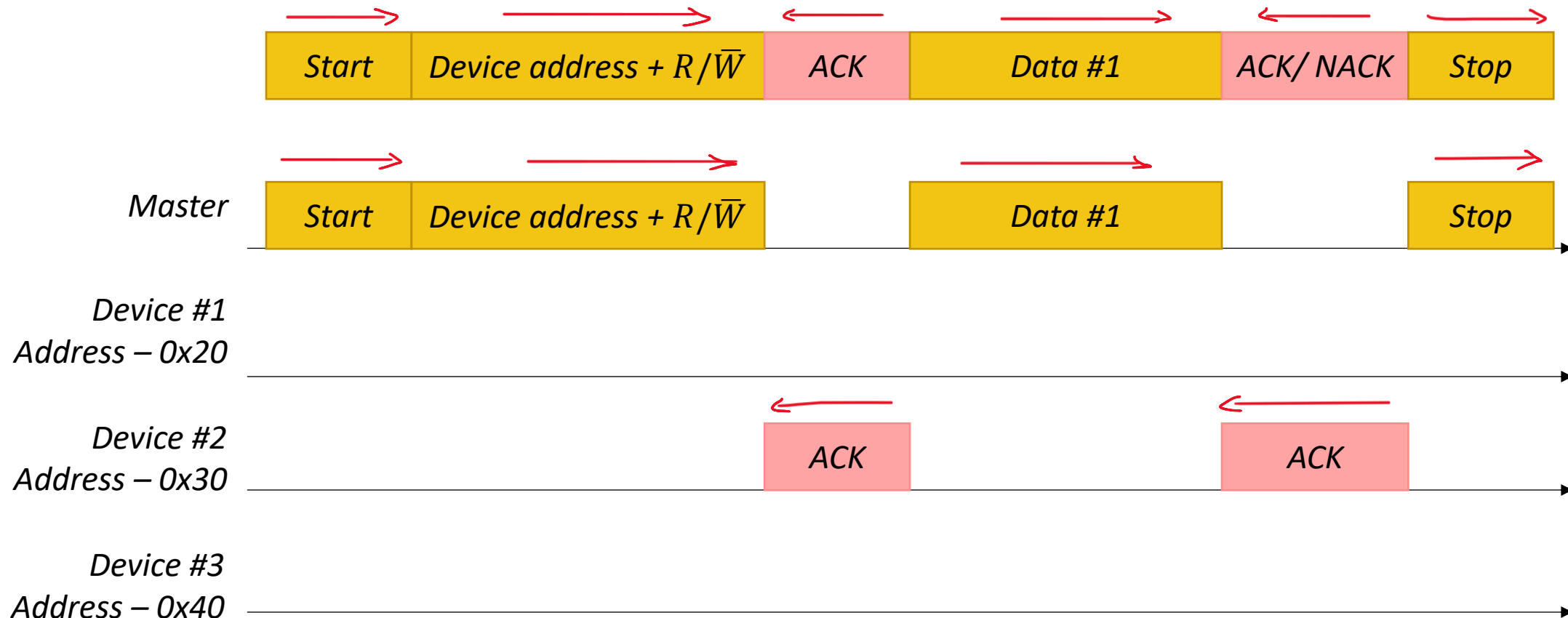
- Data transfer



Changes in SDA is allowed when SCL is LOW. SDA must be stable when SCL is HIGH.

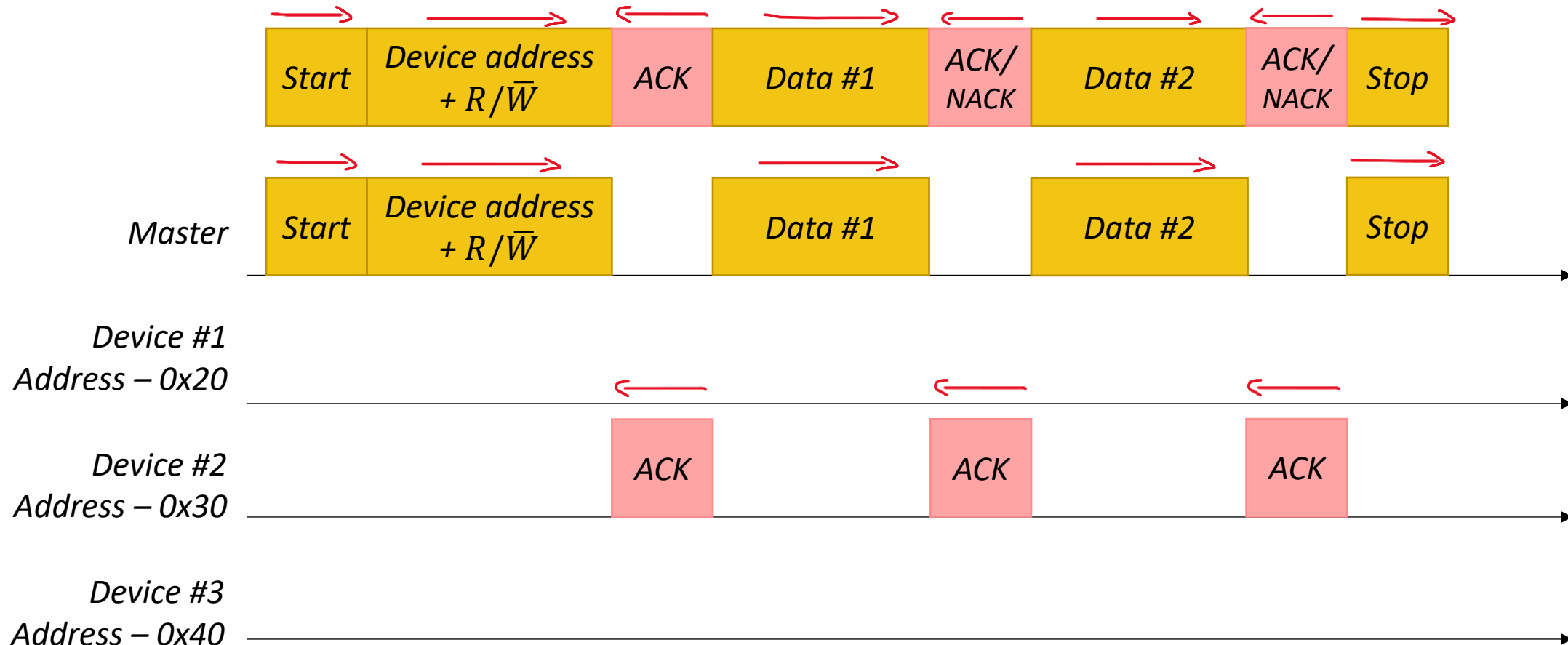
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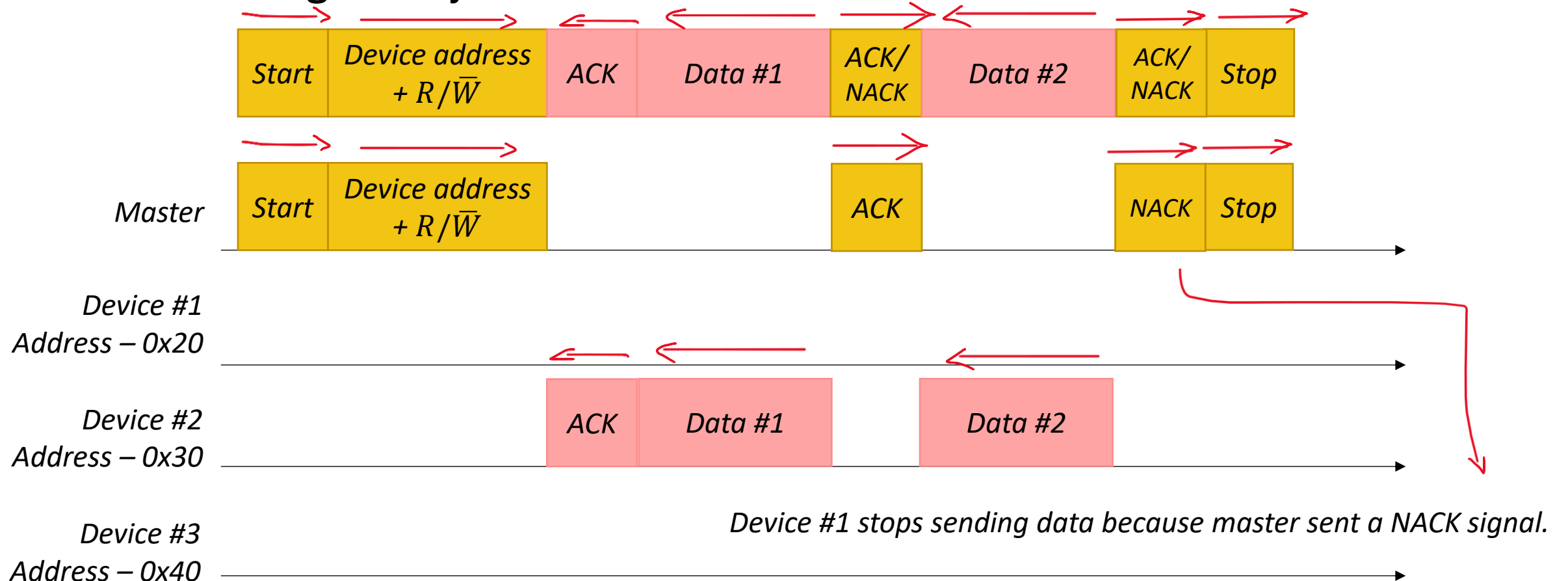
Example of Data Transfer in I2C

- The master writing TWO bytes to a device at address 0x30



Example of Data Transfer in I2C

- The master reading TWO bytes from a device at address 0x30



I2C Modes



- Modes, each designating a maximum clock frequency
 - both the master and the device(s) should support

- Modes

- Standard Mode → up to 100 KHz
- Fast Mode → up to 400 KHz
- Fast Mode Plus → up to 1 MHz
- High Speed Mode → up to 3.4 MHz
- Ultra Fast Mode → up to 5 MHz (unidirectional)

Most MCUs and I2C devices support these modes!

More reliable

Less reliable

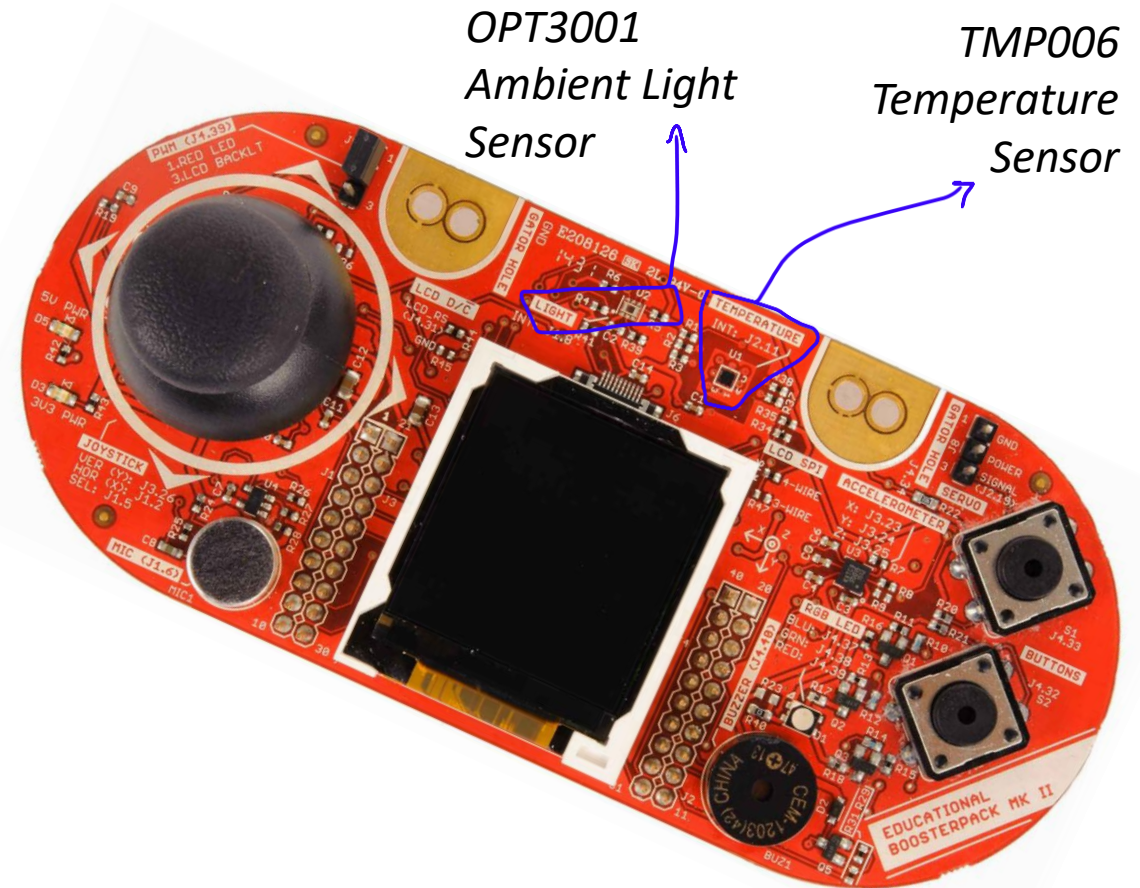
Usages of I2C



- **Mostly for low-throughput systems**
 - The operational frequency of I2C is low
 - Length of bus limited to a few meter
 - Extender can be used (with data loss and performance degradation)
- **Configuration of modules**
 - Configuring SDRAM
- **Sensors (receiving status) and small actuators (transmitting control)**

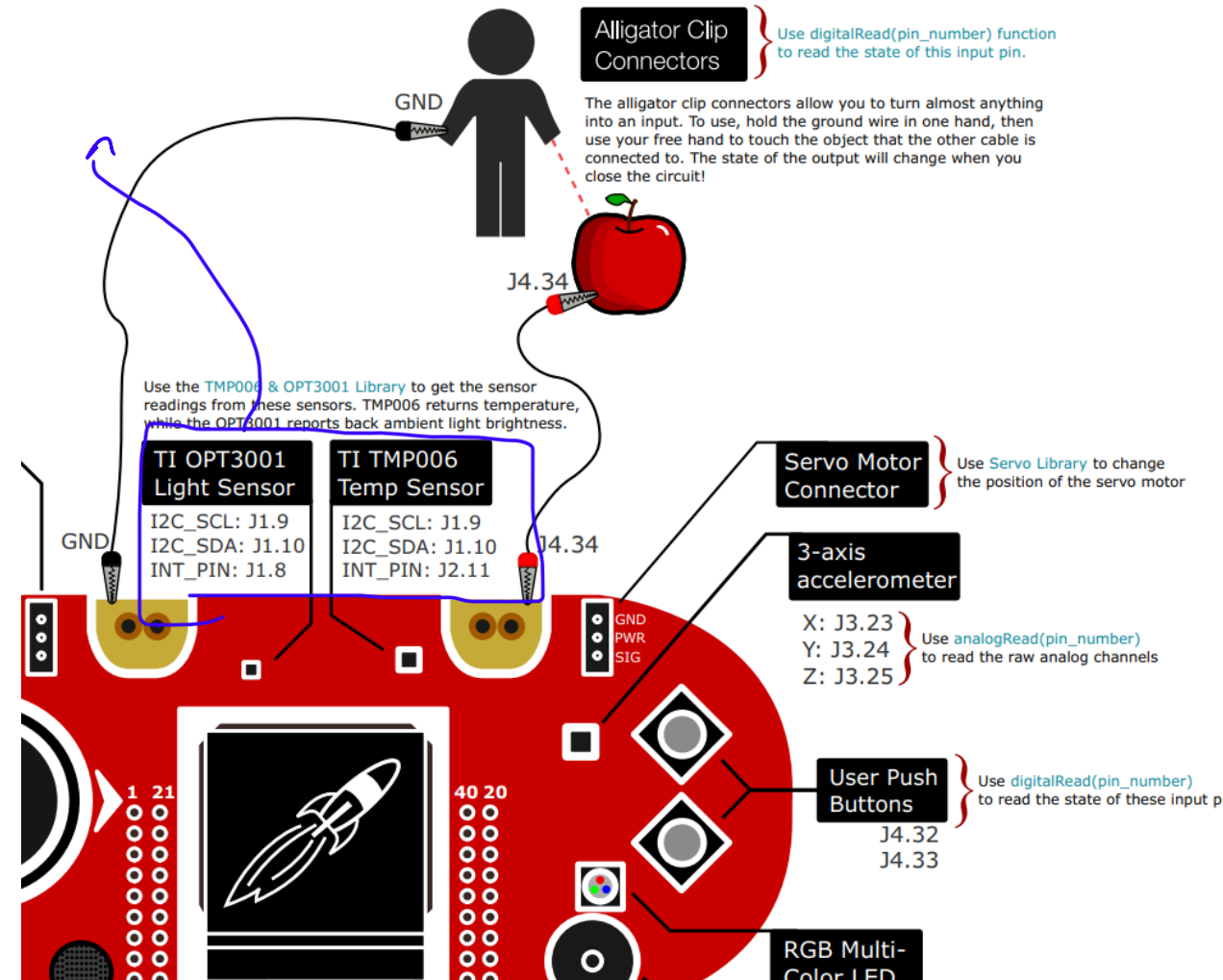
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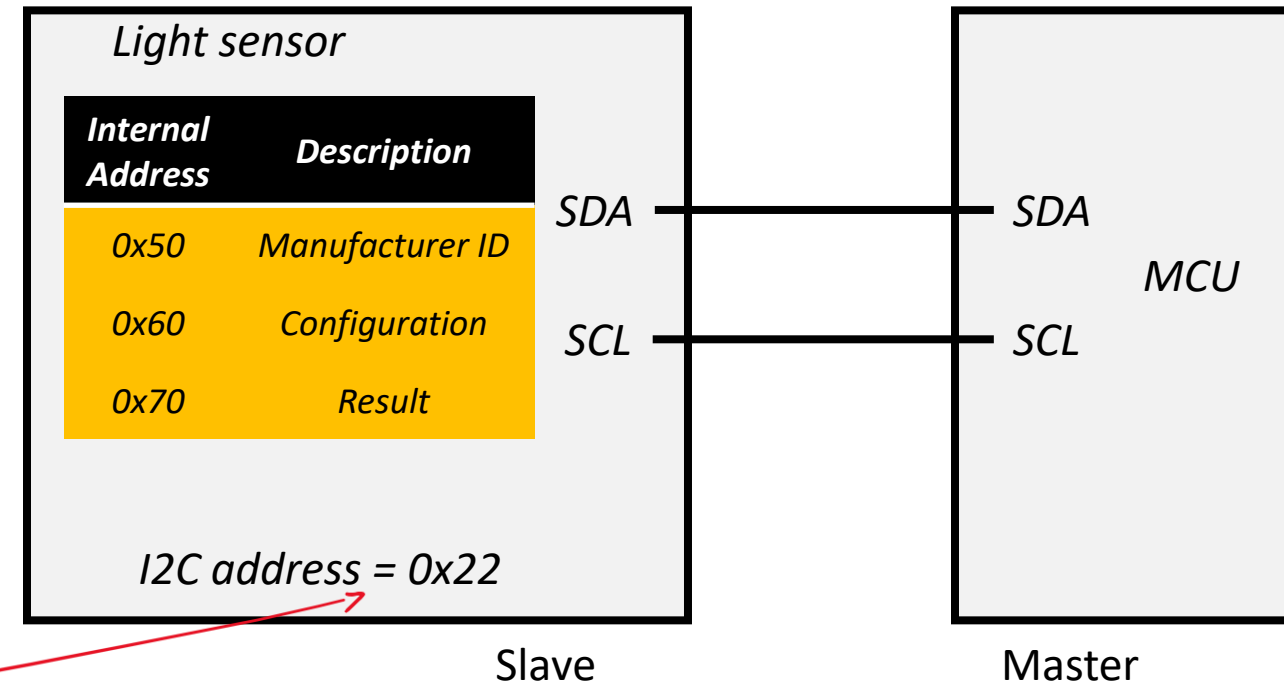
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*The light sensors have **internal registers**. The master can write to (or read from) the registers. The result register is read-only and has the light sensor reading.*

Light Sensor – Internal Register

- Result register (16bit)

E3	E2	E1	E0	R11	R10	R9	R8	R7	R6	R5	R4	R3	R2	R1	R0
Exponent				Fractional (Component)											

The most recent light to digital conversion

E3	E2	E1	E0	Full-Range lux (lux)	Lux per LSB (lux)
0	0	0	0	40.95	0.01
0	0	0	1	81.9	0.02
0	0	1	0	163.8	0.04
0	0	1	1	327.6	0.08
0	1	0	0	655.2	0.16
0	1	0	1	1310.4	0.32
0	1	1	0	2620.8	0.64
0	1	1	1	5241.6	1.28
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$$\text{Brightness} = (\text{Lux per LSB}) \cdot (R_{[11:0]})$$

Example.

$$E = 0101 \quad \& \quad R = 111100001010$$

$$\text{Brightness} = 0.32 \times 3850 = 1232 \text{ lux}$$

Direct sunlight:	100,000 to 120,000 lux
Overcast day:	1,000 to 10,000 lux
Office lighting:	300 to 500 lux
Moonlight:	0.1 lux
Twilight:	10 lux
Street lighting at night:	10-20 lux

$$\text{Max per } E_{3..0} = (2^{12} - 1) \cdot (\text{Lux per LSB})$$

Light Sensor – Internal Register

- Configuration register (16bit)

RN3	RN2	RN1	RN0	CT	R10	R9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Sets the exponent				CT	Mode								ME		

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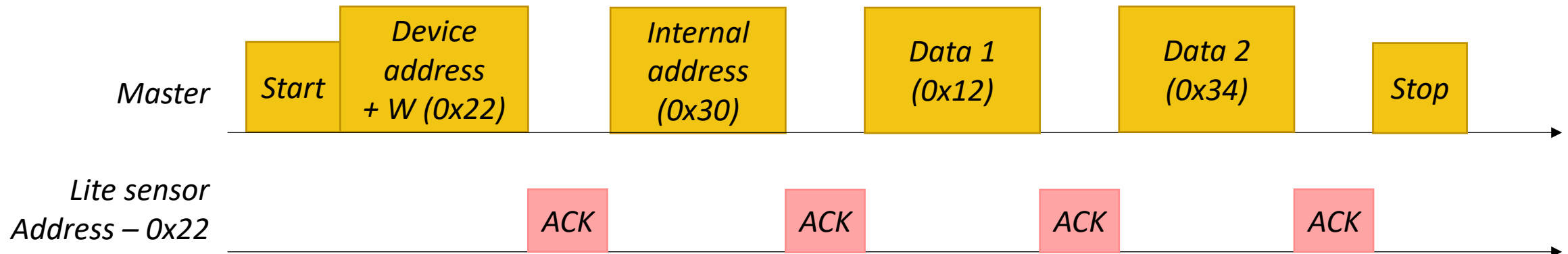
- RN3:0 – (Range Number Field)**
 - at 1100b: The range is automatically chosen by the sensor (powers up in 1100b - automatic full-scale setting mode).
- CT – Conversion time (Length of time for conversion)**
 - 0 – 100 ms
 - 1 – 800 ms
- Mode – Mode of operation**
 - 00 – Shutdown (default)
 - 01 – Single-shot
 - 10,11 – Continuous conversion
- ME – Mask exponent bits**
 - when it is set, the exponent in the result register is 0000b.

Disabling exponent field



Writing data to an internal register

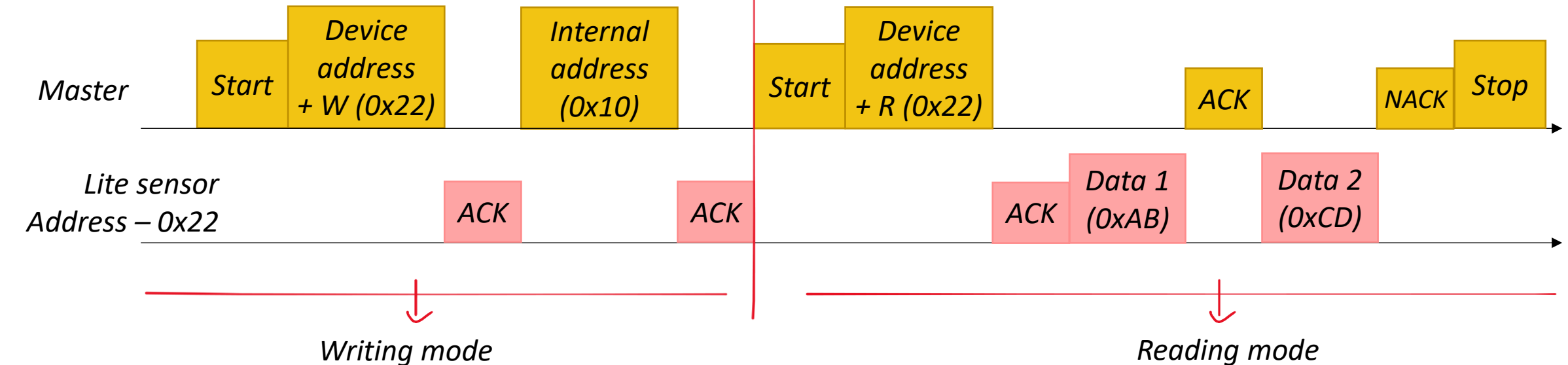
- I2C address for the ALS is 0x22.
- Internal register address is 0x30.
- The data is 0x1234.



Reading data from an internal register

- I2C address for the ALS is 0x22.
- Internal register address is 0x10.
- The data is 0xABCD.

Recurring start is '**starting again without sending the stop bit**'.
If a stop bit is sent, then some other master can take control of the bus.



eUSCI Module - Revisiting



- Enhanced Universal Serial Communication Interface (eUSCI)

- Supports multiple serial communication protocols

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P4.1	I2CSCI	J1.9	97	P4.1/UCB1SOMI/UCB1SCL/ACLK/S2
P4.2	UTXD	J1.4	100	P4.2/UCA0SIMO/UCA0TXD/UCB1CLK
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		UCB1SIMO/UCB1SDA	X ⁽²⁾	1	0	0
		N/A	0	1	1	0
		MCLK	1	1	1	0
		Sz ⁽³⁾	X	X	X	1
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		N/A	0	1	1	0
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		Sz ⁽³⁾	X	X	X	1

```
// Configure pins to I2C functionality
// (UCB1SDA same as P4.0) (UCB1SCL same as P4.1)
// (P4SEL1=11, P4SEL0=00) (P4DIR=xx)
P4SEL1 |= (BIT1|BIT0);
P4SEL0 &= ~(BIT1|BIT0);
```

I2C Programming



• Initialization of I2C

eUSCI_B module (I2C) in reset mode to safely configure the registers

```
// Configure eUSCI in I2C leader mode
```

```
void Initialize_I2C(void) {
```

```
// Enter reset state before the configuration starts...
```

```
UCB1CTLW0 |= UCSWRST;
```

Enabling I2C through pins using P4 (from GPIO to I2C mode.)

```
// Divert pins to I2C functionality
```

```
P4SEL1 |= (BIT1 | BIT0);
```

```
P4SELO &= ~(BIT1 | BIT0);
```

Enabling the master mode

```
// Keep all the default values except the fields below...
```

```
// (UCMode 3:I2C) (Master Mode) (UCSSEL 1:ACLK, 2,3:SMCLK)
```

```
UCB1CTLW0 |= UCMODE_3 | UCMST | UCSSEL_3;
```

Clock divider (e.g., SMLK/8 for here)

```
// Clock divider = 8 (SMCLK @ 1.048 MHz / 8 = 131 KHz)
```

```
UCB1BRW = 8;
```

Once the configuration is done, the reset for the eUSCI_B will be disabled.

```
// Exit the reset mode
```

```
UCB1CTLW0 &= ~UCSWRST;
```

```
}
```

I2C Programming



- Reading and Writing (TI OPT3001 light sensor)

*Reading and wiring a word from/to I2C
address/register
(refer to Lab Manual Appendix)*

*Initialization of I2C (slide 23 here)
Initialization of UART (M6 – Slide 36)*

```
// Read a word (2 bytes) from I2C (address, register)
int i2c_read_word(unsigned char i2c_address, unsigned char i2c_reg, unsigned int * data)

// Write a word (2 bytes) to I2C (address, register)
int i2c_write_word(unsigned char i2c_address, unsigned char i2c_reg, unsigned int data)

void main(){
    unsigned int data_rd, data_wr;
    Initialize_I2C();
    Initialize_UART();

    // The variable data_w is passed by reference
    i2c_read_word(0x22, 0x50, &data_rd);
    // Print to serial port
    uart_write_uint16(data_rd);

    // The variable to be written into I2C address
    data_wr = 0xABCD;
    // The variable data_wr is passed by value
    i2c_write_word(0x22, 0x60, data_wr);
}
```

I2C Registers



- Some of the I2C addresses and register addresses are examples.
- More details
 - OPT3001 Datasheet <http://www.ti.com/lit/ds/symlink/opt3001.pdf>
 - BoosterPack Datasheet <http://www.ti.com/lit/ug/slau599a/slau599a.pdf>

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