Module 2 - General Purpose I/O



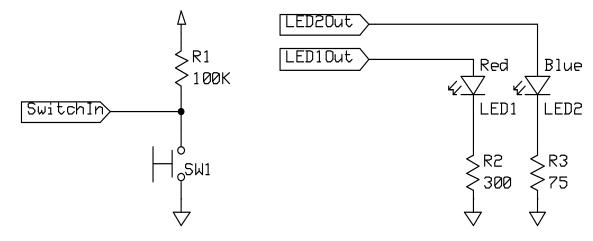
Overview

How do we make a program light up LEDs in response to a switch?

- GPIO
 - Basic Concepts
 - Port Circuitry
 - Control Registers
 - Accessing Hardware Registers in C
 - Clocking and Muxing
- Circuit Interfacing
 - Inputs
 - Outputs
- Additional Port Configuration



Basic Concepts



- Goal: light either LED1 or LED2 based on switch SW1 position
- GPIO = General-purpose input and output (digital)
 - Input: program can determine if input signal is a 1 or a 0
 - Output: program can set output to 1 or 0
- Can use this to interface with external devices
 - Input: switch
 - Output: LEDs

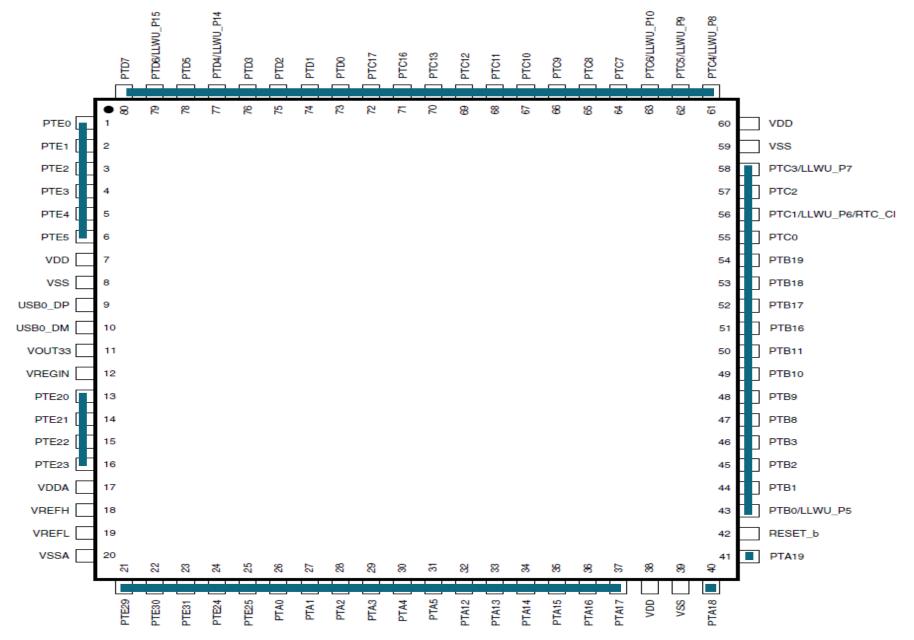


KL25Z GPIO Ports

Port A (PTA) through Port E (PTE)

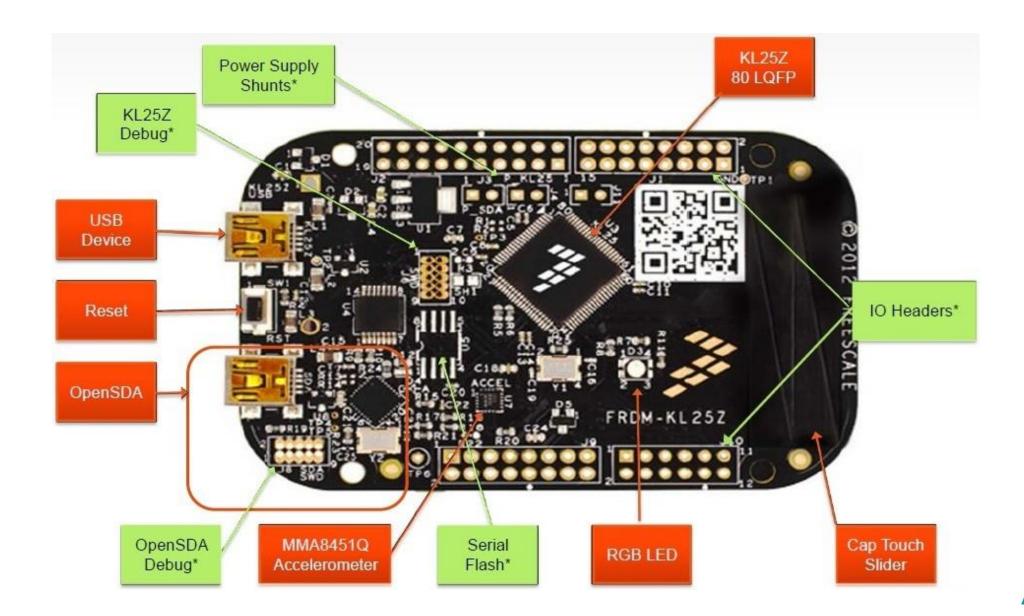
 Not all port bits are available

 Quantity depends on package pin count



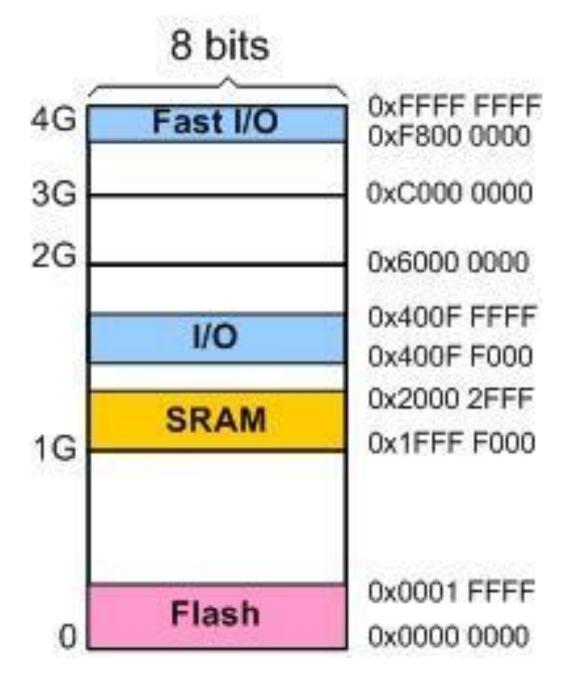


Freedom KL25Z

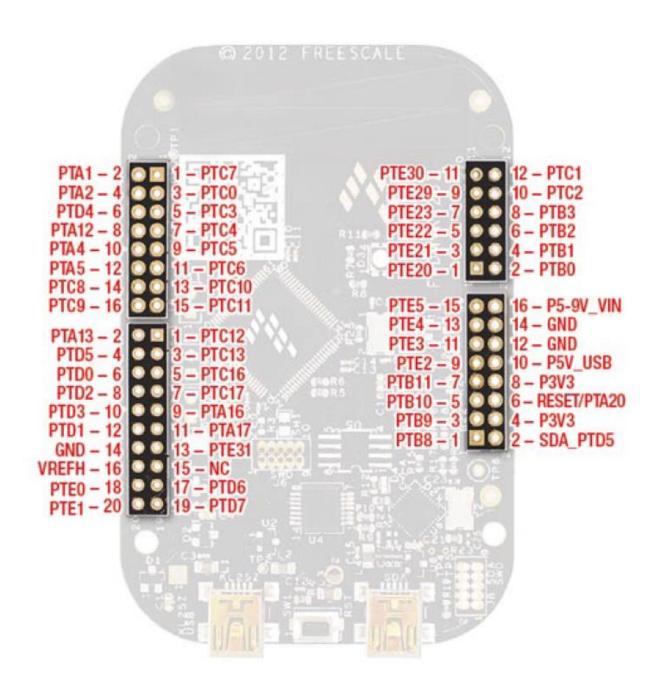




Memory Map

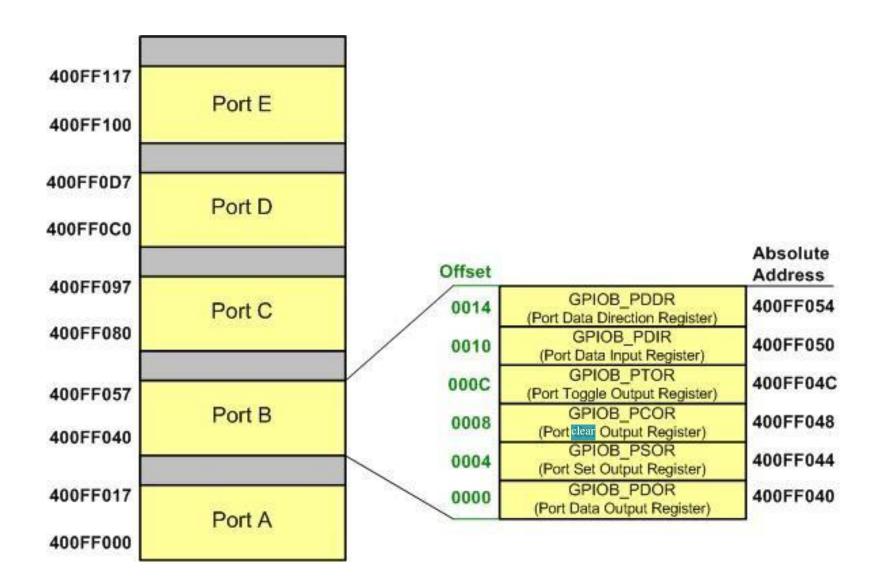






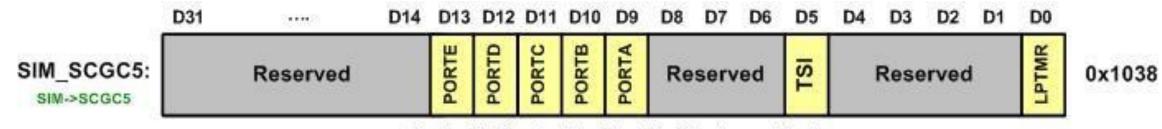


Ports





Clocking Logic



Note: 0: Clock disabled, 1: Clock enabled

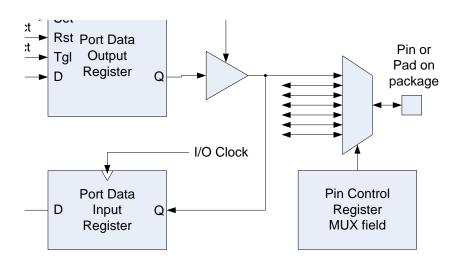
- Need to enable clock to GPIO module
- By default, GPIO modules are disabled to save power
- Writing to an unclocked module triggers a hardware fault!
- Control register SIM_SCGC5 gates clocks to GPIO ports
- Enable clock to Port A

Header file MKL25Z4.h has definitions

Bit	Port
13	PORTE
12	PORTD
11	PORTC
10	PORTB
9	PORTA



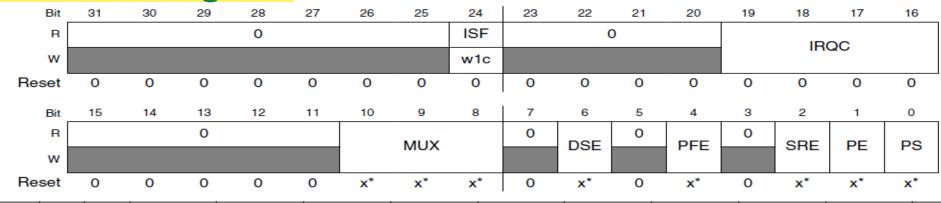
Connecting a GPIO Signal to a Pin



- Multiplexer used to increase configurability what pin should be connected with internally?
- Each configurable pin has a Pin Control Register

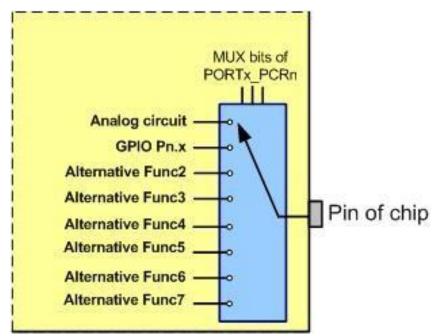


Pin Control Register



80 LQFP	64 LQFP	48 QFN	32 QFN	Pin Name	Default	ALT0	ALT1	ALT2	ALT3	ALT4	ALT5	ALT6	ALT7
64	52	40	28	PTC7	CMP0_IN1	CMP0_IN1	PTC7	SPI0_MISO			SPI0_MOSI		
65	53	_	_	PTC8	CMP0_IN2	CMP0_IN2	PTC8	I2C0_SCL	TPM0_CH4				

MUX field of PCR defines connections





Structure Declarations

Like other elements of C programming, the structure must be declared before it can be used. The declaration specifies the tagname of the structure and the names and types of the individual members. The following example has three members: one 8-bit integer and two word pointers

```
struct theport{
unsigned char mask;  // defines which bits are active
unsigned long volatile *addr; // pointer to its address
unsigned long volatile *ddr;}; // pointer to its direction reg
```

The above declaration does not create any variables or allocate any space. Therefore to use a structure we must define a global or local variable of this type. The tagname (theport) along with the keyword struct can be used to define variables of this new data type:

```
struct theport PortA,PortB,PortE;
```

The above line defines the three variables and allocates 9 bytes for each of variable. Because the pointers will be 32-bit aligned the compiler will skip three bytes between mask and addr, so each object will occupy 12 bytes. If you knew you needed just three copies of structures of this type, you could have defined them as

```
struct theport{
unsigned char mask; // defines which bits are active
unsigned long volatile *addr;
unsigned long volatile *ddr;}PortA,PortB,PortE;
```



Continued

Definitions like the above are hard to extend, so to improve code reuse we can
use typedef to actually create a new data type (called port in the example below)
that behaves syntactically like char int short etc.

```
struct theport{
   unsigned char mask;  // defines which bits are active
   unsigned long volatile *addr; // address
   unsigned long volatile *ddr;}; // direction reg
typedef struct theport port_t;
port_t PortA,PortB,PortE;
```

 Once we have used typedef to create port_t, we don't need access to the name theport anymore. Consequently, some programmers use to following short-cut:



CMSIS C Support for PCR

MKL25Z4.h defines PORT_Type structure with a PCR field (array of 32 integers)

```
/** PORT - Register Layout Typedef */
typedef struct {
    __IO uint32_t PCR[32]; /** Pin Control Register n, array offset: 0x0, array step: 0x4 */
    __O uint32_t GPCLR; /** Global Pin Control Low Register, offset: 0x80 */
    __O uint32_t GPCHR; /** Global Pin Control High Register, offset: 0x84 */
        uint8_t RESERVED_0[24];
    __IO uint32_t ISFR; /** Interrupt Status Flag Register, offset: 0xA0 */
} PORT_Type;
```



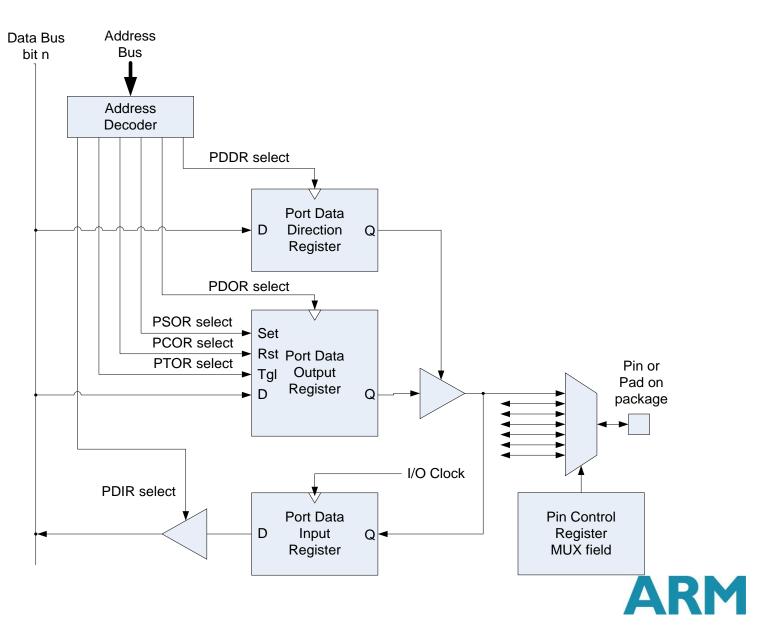
CMSIS C Support for PCR

Header file defines pointers to PORT_Type registers



GPIO Port Bit Circuitry in MCU

- Control
 - Direction
 - MUX
- Data
 - Output (different ways to access it)
 - Input



Control Registers

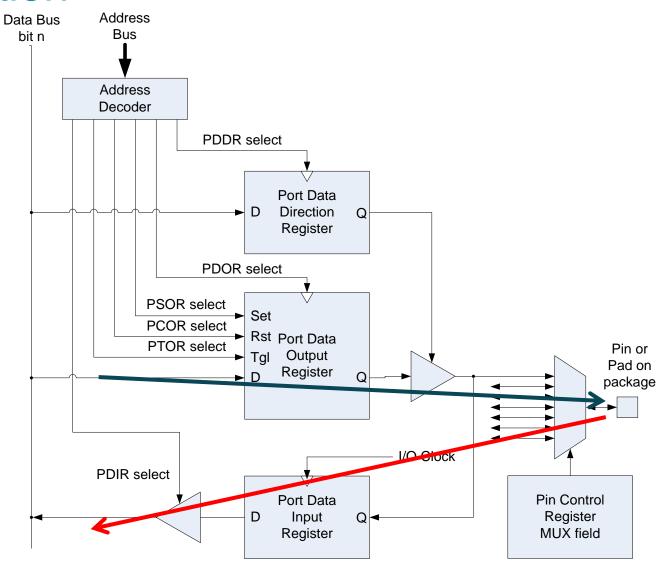
Absolute address (hex)	Register name	
400F_F000	Port Data Output Register (GPIOA_PDOR)	32
400F_F004	Port Set Output Register (GPIOA_PSOR)	32
400F_F008	Port Clear Output Register (GPIOA_PCOR)	32
400F_F00C	Port Toggle Output Register (GPIOA_PTOR)	32
400F_F010	Port Data Input Register (GPIOA_PDIR)	32
400F_F014	Port Data Direction Register (GPIOA_PDDR)	32

- One set of control registers per port
- Each bit in a control register corresponds to a port bit



PDDR: Port Data Direction

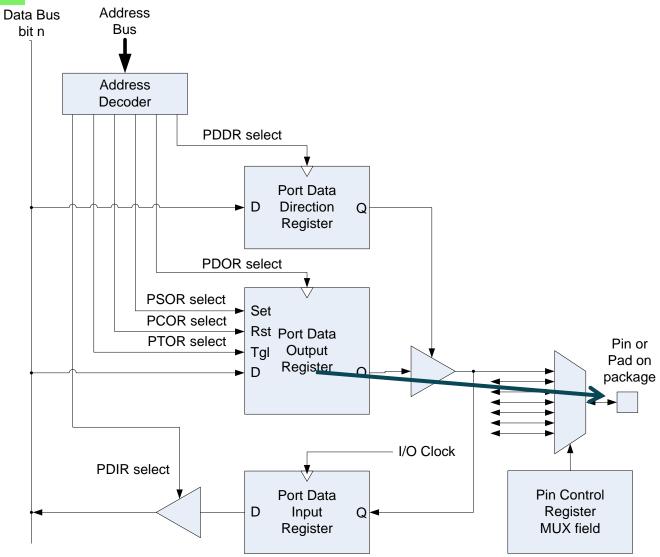
- Each bit can be configured differently
- Input: 0
- Output: 1
- Reset clears port bit direction to 0





Writing Output Port Data

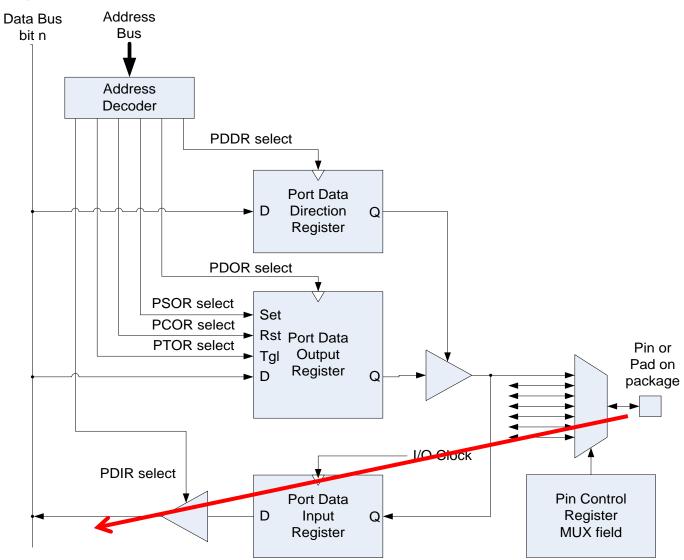
- Direct: write value to PDOR
- Toggle: write 1 to PTOR
- Clear (to 0): Write 1 to PCOR
- Set (to 1): write 1 to PSOR





Reading Input Port Data

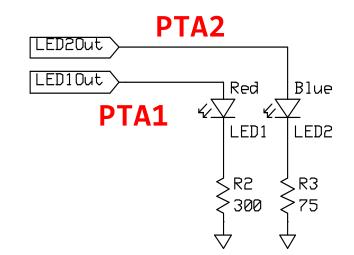
- Read from PDIR
- Corresponding bit holds value which was read





Pseudocode for Program

```
.R1
                                                          100K
// Make PTA1 and PTA2 outputs
                                             SwitchIr
set bits 1 and 2 of GPIOA_PDDR
// Make PTA5 input
                                                         SW1
clear bit 5 of GPIOA_PDDR
// Initialize the output data values: LED 2
clear bit 1, set bit 2 of GPIOA_PDOR
// read switch, light LED accordingly
do forever {
       if bit 5 of GPIOA PDIR is 1 {
               // switch is not pressed, then light LED 2
               set bit 2 of GPIOA PDOR
               clear bit 1 of GPIO_PDOR
       } else {
               // switch is pressed, so light LED 1
               set bit 1 of GPIOA PDOR
               clear bit 2 of GPIO_PDOR
```



PTA5



CMSIS - Accessing Hardware Registers in C

 Header file MKL25Z4.h defines C data structure types to represent hardware registers in MCU with CMSIS-Core hardware abstraction layer

```
#define __I volatile const
#define __O volatile
#define __IO volatile
/** GPIO - Register Layout Typedef */
typedef struct {
 ___IO uint32_t PDOR; /**< Port Data Output Register, offset: 0x0 */
 __O uint32_t PSOR; /**< Port Set Output Register, offset: 0x4 */
 __O uint32_t PCOR; /**< Port Clear Output Register, offset: 0x8 */
 __O uint32_t PTOR; /**< Port Toggle Output Register, offset: 0xC */
 __I uint32_t PDIR; /**< Port Data Input Register, offset: 0x10 */
                        /**< Port Data Direction Register, offset: 0x14 */</pre>
 __IO uint32_t PDDR;
} GPIO_Type;
```



Accessing Hardware Registers in C (2)

Header file MKL25Z4.h declares pointers to the registers



Coding Style and Bit Access

- Easy to make mistakes dealing with literal binary and hexadecimal values
- Make the literal value from shifted bit positions

```
n = (1UL << 19) | (1UL << 13);
```

Define names for bit positions

```
#define GREEN_LED_POS (19)
#define YELLOW_LED_POS (13)
n = (1UL << GREEN_LED_POS) | (1UL << YELLOW_LED_POS);</pre>
```

Create macro to do shifting to create mask

```
#define MASK(x) (1UL << (x))
n = MASK(GREEN_LED_POS) | MASK(YELLOW_LED_POS);</pre>
```



Using Masks

Set in n all the bits which are one in mask, leaving others unchanged

```
n |= MASK(foo);
```

Clear in n all the bits which are zero in mask, leaving others unchanged

```
n &= ~MASK(foo);
```

Testing a bit value in register

```
if ( n & MASK(foo) == 0) ...
if ( n & MASK(foo) == 1) ...
```



Resulting C Code for Clock Control and Mux

```
// Enable Clock to Port A
SIM->SCGC5 |= SIM_SCGC5_PORTA_MASK;
// Make 3 pins GPIO
PORTA->PCR[LED1_POS] &= ~PORT_PCR_MUX_MASK;
PORTA->PCR[LED1 POS] = PORT PCR MUX(1);
PORTA->PCR[LED2 POS] &= ~PORT PCR MUX MASK;
PORTA->PCR[LED2 POS] |= PORT PCR MUX(1);
PORTA->PCR[SW1_POS] &= ~PORT_PCR_MUX_MASK;
PORTA->PCR[SW1_POS] |= PORT_PCR_MUX(1);
```



C Code

```
#define LED1 POS (1)
#define LED2 POS (2)
#define SW1 POS (5)
#define MASK(x) (1UL << (x))
PTA->PDDR |= MASK(LED1_POS) | MASK (LED2_POS); // set LED bits to outputs
PTA->PDDR &= ~MASK(SW1_POS); // clear Switch bit to input
PTA->PDOR = MASK(LED1 POS); // turn on LED1, turn off LED2
while (1) {
     if (PTA->PDIR & MASK(SW1_POS)) {
       // switch is not pressed, then light LED 2
       PTA->PDOR = MASK(LED2 POS);
     } else {
       // switch is pressed, so light LED 1
       PTA->PDOR = MASK(LED1 POS);
```



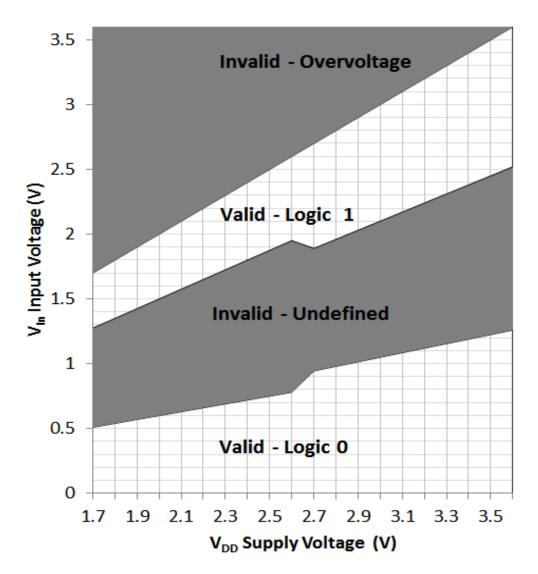
Inputs and Outputs, Ones and Zeros, Voltages and Currents

INTERFACING



Inputs: What's a One? A Zero?

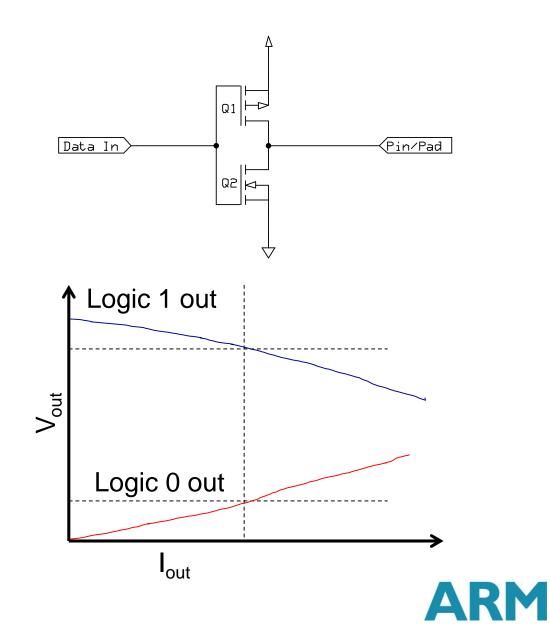
- Input signal's value is determined by voltage
- Input threshold voltages depend on supply voltage V_{DD}
- Exceeding V_{DD} or GND may damage chip





Outputs: What's a One? A Zero?

- Nominal output voltages
 - 1: V_{DD}-0.5 V to V_{DD}
 - 0: 0 to 0.5 V
- Note: Output voltage depends on current drawn by load on pin
 - Need to consider source-to-drain resistance in the transistor
 - Above values only specified when current < 5 mA (18 mA for high-drive pads) and V_{DD} > 2.7 V
- As with many other low-power ARM chips, the KL25Z can only provide (source) or sink a very limited amount of current: up to 5 mA per pin and no more than 100mA across all pins at a time
- If you source or sink more current than 5mA continuously or 20mA instantaneously, you will damage the board.

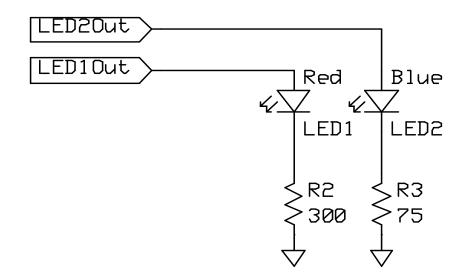


Output Example: Driving LEDs

- Need to limit current to a value which is safe for both LED and MCU port driver
- Use current-limiting resistor

$$R = (V_{DD} - V_{LED})/I_{LED}$$

- Set I_{LED} = 4 mA
- V_{LED} depends on type of LED (mainly color)
 - Red: ~1.8V
 - Blue: ~2.7 V
- Solve for R given VDD = ~3.0 V
 - Red: 300 Ω
 - Blue: 75 Ω
- Demonstration code in Basic Light Switching Example

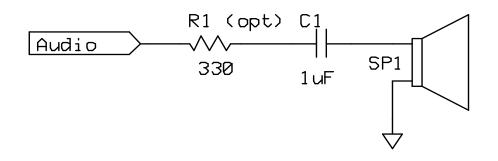


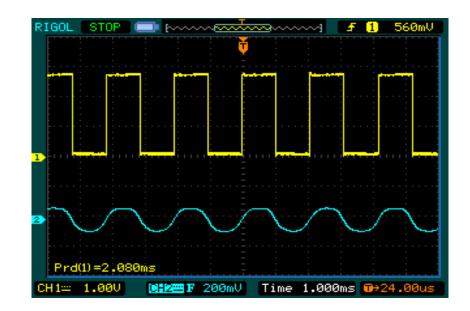


Output Example: Driving a Speaker

- Create a square wave with a GPIO output
- Use capacitor to block DC value
- Use resistor to reduce volume if needed
- Write to port toggle output register (PTOR) to simplify code

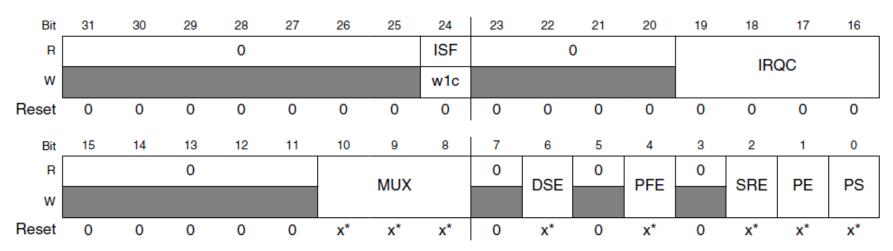
```
void Beep(void) {
   unsigned int period=20000;
   while (1) {
      PTC->PTOR = MASK(SPKR_POS);
      Delay(period/2);
   }
}
```







Additional Configuration in PCR



Pull-up and pull-down resistors

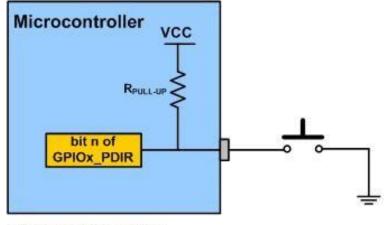
- Used to ensure input signal voltage is pulled to correct value when high-impedance
- PE: Pull Enable. 1 enables the pull resistor
- PS: Pull Select. 1 pulls up, 0 pulls down.

High current drive strength

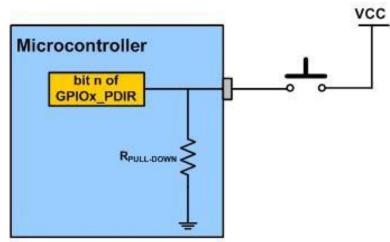
- DSE: Set to 1 to drive more current (e.g. 18 mA vs. 5 mA @ > 2.7 V, or 6 mA vs. 1.5 mA @ <2.7 V)
- Available on some pins MCU dependent

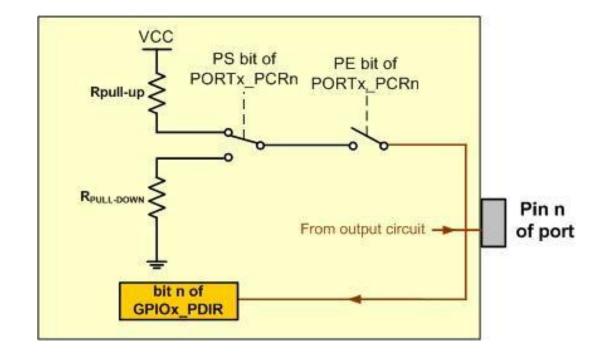


Connecting External Switches



(a) Using Pull-up Resistor







LCD Interfacing

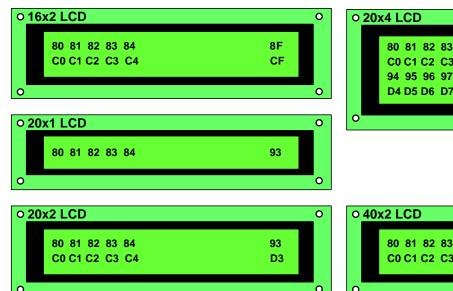


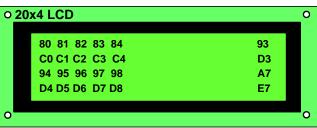
Pin	Symbol	I/O	Description
1	VSS		Ground
2	VCC		+5V power supply
3	VEE		Power supply to control contrast
4	RS	I	RS = 0 to select command register, RS = 1 to select data register
5	R/W	I	R/W = 0 for write, R/W = 1 for read
6	E	I	Enable
7	DB0	I/O	The 8-bit data bus
8	DB1	I/O	The 8-bit data bus
9	DB2	I/O	The 8-bit data bus
10	DB3	I/O	The 8-bit data bus
11	DB4	I/O	The 4/8-bit data bus
12	DB5	I/O	The 4/8-bit data bus
13	DB6	I/O	The 4/8-bit data bus
14	DB7	I/O	The 4/8-bit data bus



Commands

Code (Hex)	Command to LCD Instruction Register
1	Clear display screen
2	Return cursor home
6	Increment cursor (shift cursor to right)
F	Display on, cursor blinking
80	Force cursor to beginning of 1st line
C0	Force cursor to beginning of 2nd line
38	2 lines and 5x7 character (8-bit data, D0 to D7)
28	2 lines and 5x7 character (4-bit data, D4 to D7)









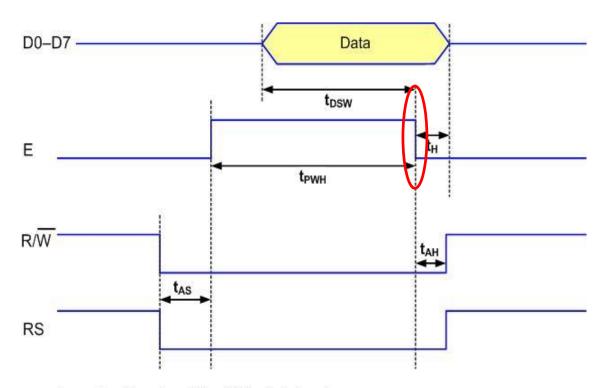
Operation

- VCC, VSS, and VEE: While VCC and VSS provide +5V power supply and ground, respectively,
 VEE is used for controlling the LCD contrast.
- RS (Register Select): There are two registers inside the LCD and the RS pin is used for their selection as follows. If RS = 0, the instruction command code register is selected, allowing the user to send a command such as clear display, cursor at home, and so on (or query the busy status bit of the controller). If RS =1, the data register is selected, allowing the user to send data to be displayed on the LCD (or to retrieve data from the LCD controller).
- R/W (Read/Write): R/W input allows the user to write information into the LCD controller or read information from it. R/W = 1 when reading and R/W = 0 when writing.
- **E (Enable):** The enable pin is used by the LCD to latch information presented to its data pins. When data is supplied to data pins, a pulse (Low-to-High-to-Low) must be applied to this pin in order for the LCD to latch in the data present at the data pins. This pulse must be a minimum of 230 ns wide, according to Hitachi datasheet.
- D0-D7: The 8-bit data pins are used to send information to the LCD or read the contents of the LCD's internal registers.



Timing

Write Timing



 t_{PWH} = Enable pulse width = 230 ns (minimum)

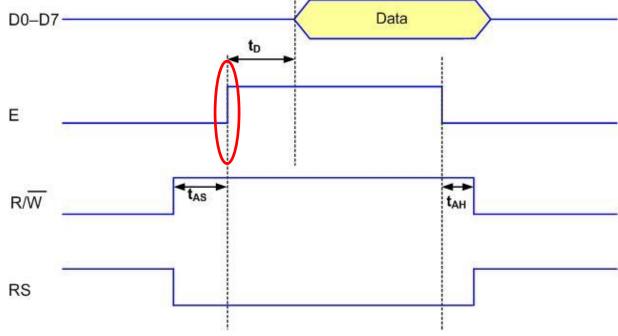
 t_{DSW} = Data setup time = 80 ns (minimum)

 t_H = Data hold time = 10 ns (minimum)

 t_{AS} = Setup time prior to E (going high) for both RS and R/W = 40 ns (minimum)

 t_{AH} = Hold time after E has come down for both RS and R/W = 10 ns (minimum)

Read Timing



 t_D = Data output delay time

 t_{AS} = Setup time prior to E (going high) for both RS and R/W = 40 ns (minimum)

 t_{AH} = Hold time after E has come down for both RS and R/W = 10 ns (minimum)

Note: Read requires an L-to-H pulse for the E pin.

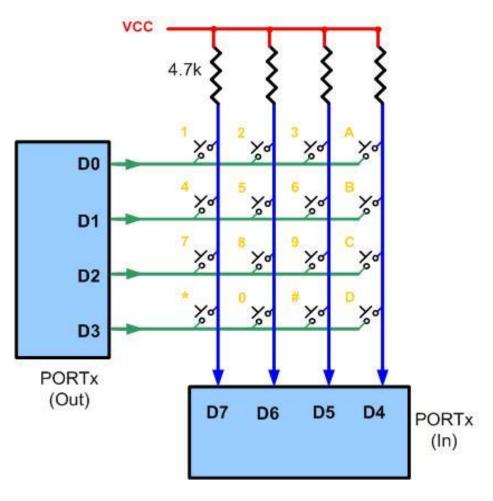


LCD Operation Contd

- We can monitor the busy flag and issue data when it is ready.
- To check the busy flag, we must read the command register (R/W = 1, RS = 0).
- The busy flag is the D7 bit of that register.
- Therefore, if R/W = 1, RS = 0.
- When D7 = 1 (busy flag = 1), the LCD is busy taking care of internal operations and will not accept any new information. When D7 = 0, the LCD is ready to receive new information.



Keypad



- To detect the key pressed, the microprocessor drives all rows low.
- Then, it reads the columns.
- If the data read from the columns is D7–D4 = 1111, no key has been pressed and the process continues until a key press is detected.
- However, if one of the column bits has a zero, this means that a key was pressed.
- Starting from the top row, the microprocessor drives one row low at a time; then it reads the columns.
- If the data read is all 1s, no key in that row is pressed and the process is moved to the next row.
- This process continues until a row is identified with a zero in one of the columns.

