

Pocket Watch B

Real Time Clock Module

*4 Alarm Types

*Easy Serial Interface



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MINIATURE ENGINEERING MODULES

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FEATURES

- ◆ Real time clock: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years
- ◆ Leap year compensation
- ◆ **Year 2000 compliant**
- ◆ Easy to use 1 or 2 wire serial interface
- ◆ Four types of user configurable alarms
- ◆ Externally accessible, precision timebase
- ◆ Standard TTL levels
- ◆ No external components
- ◆ Easy to use SIP package

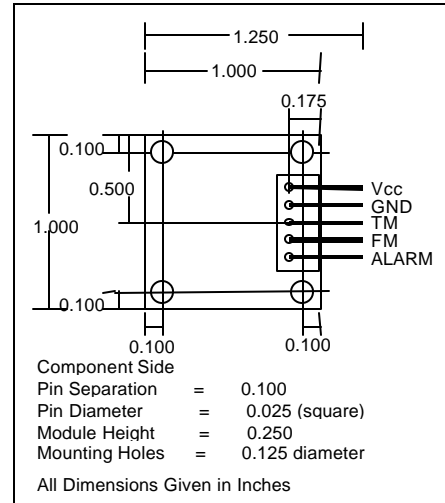
DESCRIPTION

The Pocket Watch B is an enhanced, pin for pin replacement of the Solutions Cubed Pocket Watch. It contains a real time clock, a calendar, and advanced timing features. The clock module keeps track of seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, and years. Adjustments for leap year are automatically performed. A year 2000 fix allows for worry-free use into the next millennium.

The Pocket Watch B communicates via an easy-to-use, asynchronous, two-wire, serial communications interface. Baud rates of 2400, 4800, and 9600 are supported with a user-friendly autobaud detect.

The Pocket Watch B contains four advanced timing features which are accessible with the alarm command. There is a standard level alarm; a single shot alarm with a duration of up to 18 hours; an astable alarm pulse with pulse lengths of up to 4 minutes and repetition rates of up to 4 hours; and an astable alarm pulse with pulse lengths of up to 4 hours and repetition rates of up to 10 days.

PIN CONFIGURATION AND MECHANICAL SPECS



Vcc	Power supply pin
GND	Ground pin
TM	Serial Communication <u>to</u> master <u>from</u> Pocket Watch B. (open collector)
FM	Serial Communication <u>from</u> master <u>to</u> Pocket Watch B. (with weak pull up)
ALARM	Alarm output pin, active high, current limited

SPECIFICATIONS

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

note: These are stress ratings only. Stresses above those listed below may cause permanent damage and/or affect device reliability. The operational ratings should be used to determine applicable ranges of operation.

Storage Temperature	-20°C to +70°C
Operating Temperature	-10°C to +60°C
Supply Voltage	0 to 7.0V
Voltage on any pin	-0.6V to (Vcc+0.6V)

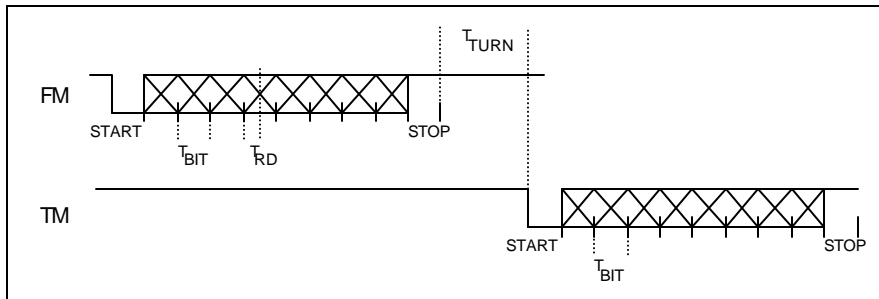
DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICSAt $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ and $V_{CC} = 5.0\text{V}$ unless otherwise noted.

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Notes
Supply Voltage	V_{CC}	4.0		5.5	V	
V_{CC} rise time to ensure good reset	SV_{dd}	0.05			V/ms	If this is not met, the Pocket Watch B may start up in an unknown state and may not communicate and/or keep time correctly.
Supply Current	I_{CC}		3.5	6.0	mA	Alarm inactive, no communication
FM Input Low Voltage	V_{IL}	GND		$0.2V_{CC}$	V	
FM Input High Voltage	V_{IH}	2.0 $0.2V_{CC}+1\text{V}$		V_{CC}	V	$4.0 < V_{CC} < 5.0$ Full V_{CC} range User may use better of two specs.
FM Input Weak Pull Up current	I_{FMPU}	50	250	400	μA	$V_{FM} = \text{GND}$ Min value is at V_{CC} Min while Max value is at V_{CC} max.
TM Output Low Voltage	V_{OLTM}			0.6	V	
TM Output High Voltage	V_{OHTM}	V_{CC}			V	TM is open collector
TM Output Pull Up current	I_{TMPU}	2.5	5.0	5.5	mA	TM open collector is tied to V_{CC} with a 5% $1\text{k}\Omega$ resistor.
ALARM pin Output Low Voltage	V_{OLA}			0.6	V	ALARM pin has a 270Ω output impedance
ALARM pin Output High Voltage	V_{OHA}	$V_{CC}-0.7$			V	ALARM pin has a 270Ω output impedance
ALARM pin Output current	I_A			18.5	mA	ALARM shorted to ground
ALARM pin impedance	A_r		270		Ω	There is a series 5% 270 ohm resistor in line with the ALARM output.

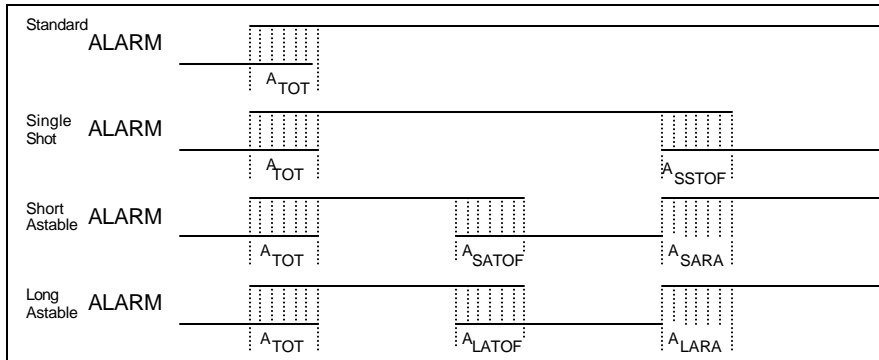
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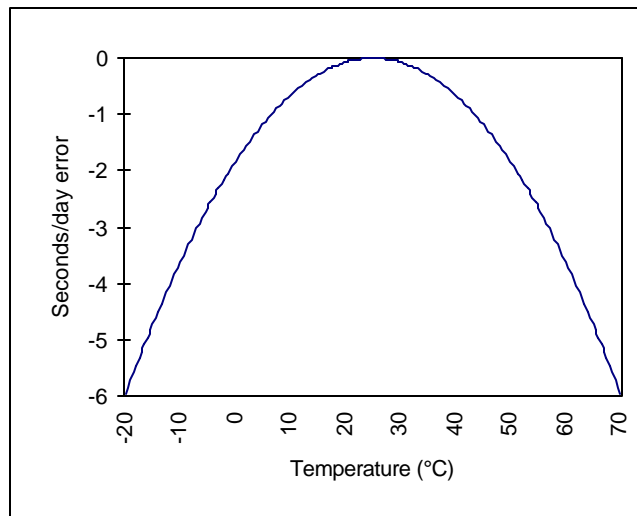
Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Notes
Communication bit period 2400 4800 9600	T_{BIT}	413 206 103	416 208 104	419 211 105	μS	The bit period is determined by an on-board oscillator, and is temperature sensitive.
Offset when a bit is read 2400 4800 9600	T_{RD}	180 90 45	200 100 50	220 110 60	μS	This is used to ensure a bit is valid when read. A bit must be valid for at least this long in order for the communication to not be erroneous.
Time for a command from master to be responded to	T_{TURN}	450	500	550	μS	This time is used to allow for a master to change from transmission mode to reception mode.
Baud generator error	B_{GE}		2	6	%	
Bit period temperature coefficient	BP_{TEMPCO}	-1.8	-1.6	-1.7	$\text{nS}/^\circ\text{C}$	Therefore at higher temperatures, a <u>slower</u> baud rate may be necessary at the master.
Time accuracy when clock is read	T_{SAC}		± 1		sec	The PWB can be up to 1 second slow if a communication happens just prior to a time update.
Time accuracy	T_{EAC}		± 154	± 304	sec/ year	Because the timebase is factory calibrated, the major determining factor is the operating temperature of the PWB.
Alarm turn on time accuracy	A_{TOT}			1	sec	Lowest resolution of clock
Single Shot turn off time accuracy	A_{SSTOF}			1	sec	Lowest resolution of clock
Short Astable turn off time accuracy	A_{SATOF}			1	sec	Lowest resolution of clock
Short Astable repetition accuracy	A_{SARA}			1	min	Short astable alarm repeats on the nearest whole minute
Long Astable turn off time accuracy	A_{LATOF}			1	min	Long astable alarm turns off at the nearest whole minute
Long Astable repetition accuracy	A_{LARA}			1	min	Long astable alarm keeps track of hours to nearest minute



Communication Timing



Alarm timing



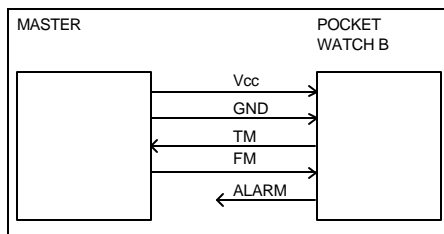
Temperature characteristic of PWB accuracy

OPERATION

The Pocket Watch B is a time keeping module with advanced alarm features. Access to these features is based on a simple serial communications protocol. Because there are no external components necessary for use, the Pocket Watch is an extremely easy device to use.

Hardware Hook up

The connection diagram below shows the basic setup for using the Pocket Watch B. This is the easiest and simplest way to use the Pocket Watch B. Information about using the module with only one serial line is given in the **Applications** section of this data sheet.



Basic connection diagram

Power(Vcc) must be supplied to the Pocket Watch B from either a master processor or an external supply. When communication is taking place between the master and the Pocket Watch B, both the master's ground and the Pocket Watch B's GND pin must be at the same potential. The ALARM pin can either be read by the master or it can drive other circuitry. As the diagram shows, the TM pin on the Pocket Watch B provides the communication path to the master from the Pocket Watch B; while the FM pin on the Pocket Watch B provides the communication path from the master to the Pocket Watch B.

Time Format

The Pocket Watch B keeps track of the time in the following format: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years low, and years high. Each of these is represented as a complete and separate byte of data. Years low contains the last two digits of the year and years high contains the first two digits of the year. For example the year 1997 would be represented as '19' in years high and '97' in years low. With this system, the year 2000 century roll-over can be gracefully handled. The maximum date that this system can accommodate is 25599 before a roll over problem occurs.

All operations with the Pocket Watch operate with the seconds through years low data set, with the years high being an optional data byte (see the Command Structure section for more details).

The time of day is tallied in 24 hour time. For example, the hours value for 11pm would be '23', while 12am is '00'.

Leap years are automatically compensated, as are months having less than 31 days.

At power up, the Pocket Watch B initializes to 12:00am, January 1, 1997. The alarm set to 00:00am, 0/0/1997, which is a bogus time, so the alarm must be set prior to use.

Command Structure

note: all values are given in decimal unless otherwise noted.

Command	Byte Sent
Set time	'00'h
Set alarm	'01'h
Read time	'02'h
Read alarm	'03'h
Alarm on	'04'h
Alarm off	'05'h
Set time - extended	'10'h
Set alarm - extended	'11'h
Read time - extended	'12'h
Read alarm - extended	'13'h
Alarm on - extended	'14'h
Alarm off - extended	'15'h
Set single shot alarm	'16'h
Set short astable alarm	'17'h
Set long astable alarm	'18'h
Read alarm characteristics	'19'h

Table of commands

The Pocket Watch B is a fully functional real time clock module which allows a master device to set time, set the alarm, read the time, read the alarm, turn an alarm on or off, set a particular alarm type, and read a particular alarm type.

The first four instructions allow access to the time registers through the years low. The alarm on and off commands allow access to the standard alarm. The 'extended' time commands ('10'h through '13'h) allow access to the year high register. The extended alarm functions ('14'h through '19'h) give access to the three special alarms in the Pocket Watch B. Any commands sent to the Pocket Watch which are not in the valid instruction range ('00'h through '05'h and '10'h through '19'h) will be ignored.

For differences between the command structure of the Pocket Watch B and the Pocket Watch see the **Differences** section of this data sheet.

The explanations below detail each of the commands shown in the table above. For information about implementing the commands, see the **Communication Protocol** section of this data sheet.

There are examples of using the command set at the end of this section.

Set time ('00'h) When setting the time the following values must be sent to the FM pin of the Pocket Watch B: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, and years low. All of the values must be sent or the time will not be set correctly. If an out of range value is sent, that byte is reset internally in the Pocket Watch B. For example, if the days byte was sent as '53' the Pocket Watch B would place a '1' in its internal days byte.

Set alarm ('01'h) This command sets the time at which an alarm will go off if enabled. After setting an alarm, the alarm must be activated by either of the 'Turn on alarm' commands. When setting the alarm the following values must be sent to the FM pin of the Pocket Watch B: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, and years low. All of the values must be sent or the alarm will not be set correctly. If an out of range value is sent, that byte is reset internally in the Pocket Watch B. For example, if the alarm days byte was sent as '53' the Pocket Watch B would place a '1' in its internal alarm days byte.

Read time ('02'h) When reading the time, the following bytes will be sent to the master system from the Pocket Watch B via the TM pin in the following order: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, and years low.

Read alarm ('03'h) When reading the time at which the alarm is set to activate, the following bytes will be sent to the master system from the Pocket Watch B via the TM pin in the following order: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, and years low.

Turn on alarm ('04'h) This command will enable the alarm. The alarm must be enabled by this command to be active. The ALARM pin will toggle from a low to a high when the time in the Pocket Watch B equals the time which was set by the 'set alarm' command.

Turn off alarm ('05'h) This command has two purposes. The first is to turn off any alarm which has not been activated. In this case, when the time in the Pocket Watch B equals the time set by the 'set the alarm' command, no action will be taken by the Pocket Watch B. The second purpose is to turn off any alarm which has been activated. At this point the ALARM output will toggle from a high to a low. All extended information is lost.

Set time - extended ('10'h) When setting the extended time the following values must be sent to the FM pin of the Pocket Watch B: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years low, and years high. All of the values must be sent or the time will not be set correctly. If an out of range value is sent, that byte is reset internally in the Pocket Watch B. For example, if the days byte was sent as '53' the Pocket Watch B would place a '1' in its internal days byte.

Set alarm - extended ('11'h) This command sets the time at which an alarm will go off if enabled. After setting an alarm, the alarm must be activated by either of the 'Turn on alarm' commands. When setting the alarm with this command the following values must be sent to the FM pin of the Pocket Watch B: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years low, and years high. All of the values must be sent or the alarm will not be set correctly. If an out of range value is sent, that byte is reset internally in the Pocket Watch B. For example, if the alarm days byte the TM pin in the following order: seconds, minutes,

hours, days, months, years low, and years high.

Read time - extended ('12'h) When reading the time with this command, the following bytes will be set to the master system from the Pocket Watch B via the TM pin in the following order: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years low, and years high.

Read alarm - extended ('13'h) When reading the time at which the alarm is set to activate with this command, the following bytes will be sent to the master system from the Pocket Watch B via the TM pin in the following order: seconds, minutes, hours, days, months, years low, and years high.

Turn on alarm - extended ('14'h) This command will enable the alarm. If a special alarm has been set, then this command will enable that alarm as opposed to the standard alarm.

Turn off alarm - extended ('15'h) This command operates exactly as does the other 'turn off alarm '05'h does.

Set single shot alarm ('16'h) This command sets the duration of the single shot alarm. The single shot alarm can be set for a duration of 1 through 65536 seconds in increments of 1 second. After the '16'h command is sent, two further bytes are immediately sent which set the duration of the single shot alarm. For example, to turn the alarm on for 1000 seconds the following bytes would be sent: ('55'h '16'h '03'h 'E7'h). Further discussion of the single shot alarm can be found in the **Alarms** section of this data sheet

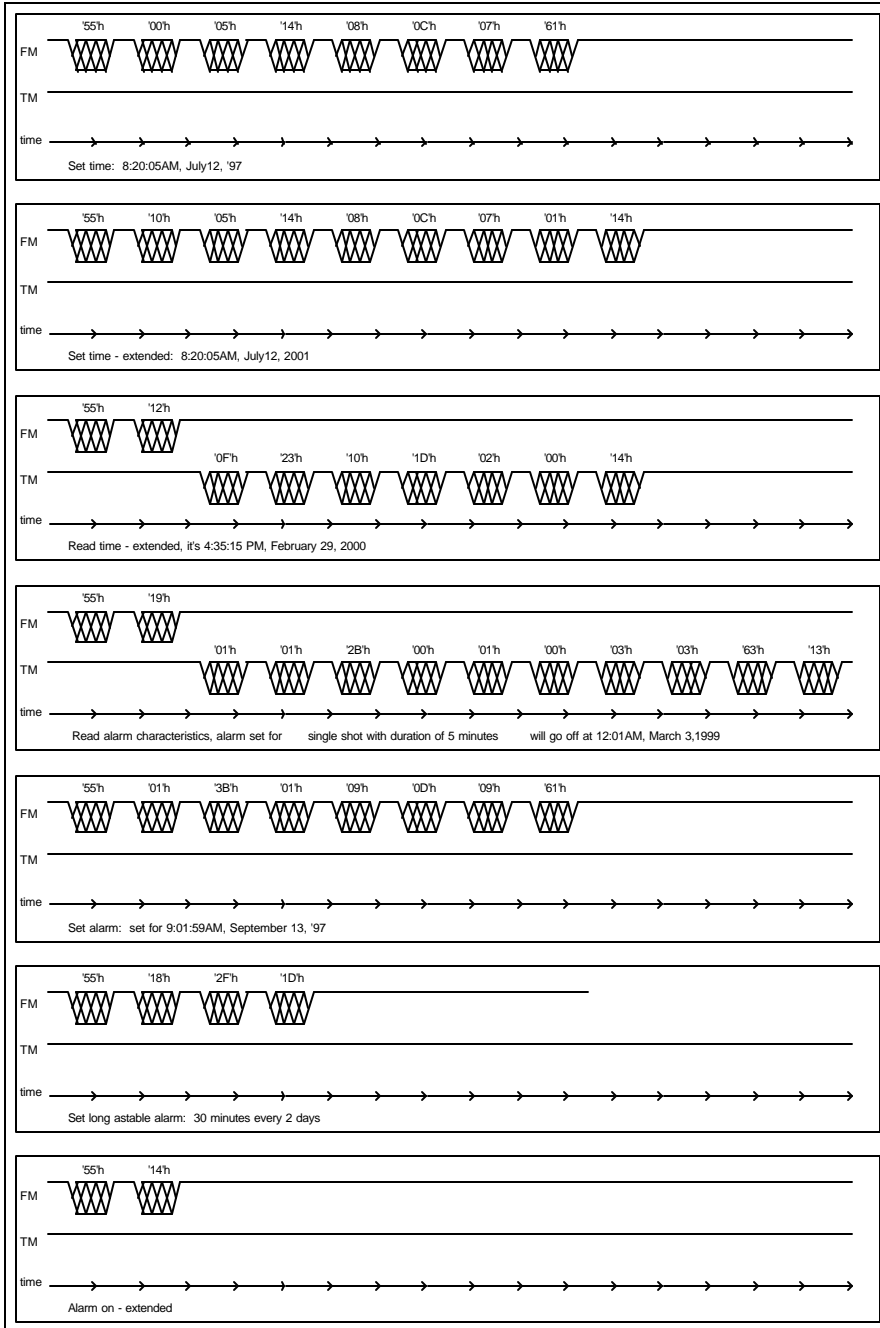
Set short astable alarm ('17'h) This command sets the duration of the alarm pulse and its repetition rate in an astable mode. The pulse length can be from 1 to 256 seconds long and the repetition rate can be from 1 to 256 minutes long. Immediately after the 'set short astable alarm' command is sent, the repetition rate, in minutes, is sent (1 byte) followed by the duration, in seconds, (1 byte). For example to have the ALARM pin turn on every 15 minutes for 30 seconds the following bytes would be sent: ('55'h '17'h '0E'h '1D'h). Further discussion of the short astable alarm can be found in the **Alarms** section of this data sheet

Set long astable alarm ('18'h) This command sets the duration of the alarm pulse and its repetition rate in an astable mode. The pulse length can be from 1 to 256 minutes long and the repetition rate can be from 1 to 256 hours long. Immediately after the 'set long astable alarm' command is sent, the repetition rate, in hours, is sent (1 byte) followed by the duration, in minutes, (1 byte). For example to have the ALARM pin turn on every 24 hours for 15 minutes the following bytes would be sent: ('55'h '18'h '17'h '0E'h). Further discussion of the long astable alarm can be found in the **Alarms** section of this data sheet

Read Alarm Characteristics ('19'h) When the Pocket Watch B receives this command it sends three bytes of information containing all of the information about the alarm settings, followed by the time (extended) that the alarm is set to turn on. The first byte sent back tells which alarm is set. The second byte gives one of four values depending on which alarm is set. The third byte sent back gives one of four values depending on which alarm is set. The table below shows what the bytes mean. After the first three bytes, the information sent back conforms directly to the 'read alarm - extended ('13'h) command.

Byte 1	Byte 2	Byte 3
'00'h regular alarm	don't care	don't care
'01'h single shot alarm	high byte of duration	low byte of duration
'02'h short astable alarm	repetition rate (minutes)	duration (seconds)
'03'h long astable alarm	repetition rate (hours)	duration (minutes)

Meanings of first three bytes returned with a 'read alarm characteristics' command



Command Set and Communication Examples

COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

Communication with the Pocket Watch B is accomplished with a two-wire (labeled TM and FM), asynchronous, serial communication channel. The FM pin carries data and commands from the master device to the Pocket Watch B. The TM pin carries data and commands to the master device from the Pocket Watch B.

All communication is 8N1, least significant bit first, 1 start bit, and 1 stop bit. The Pocket Watch B can accommodate 2400, 4800, and 9600 baud. All communication must be initiated by the master processor. The Pocket Watch B cannot initiate communication.

Every communication must be started with a '55'h sync byte. This allows the Pocket Watch B to automatically detect the baud rate. After this sync byte, the command may be sent along with any additional information, if necessary. The Pocket Watch B will ignore all incoming data, until it sees a '55'h sync byte. Responses from the Pocket Watch B to the master do not use the sync byte.

Any response that the Pocket Watch B sends to the master will be at the same baud rate at which the most recent command was received. For example if a 'read the time - extended' command was received at 9600 baud, then the Pocket Watch B would send all of the time information from seconds through years high at 9600 baud.

Some examples showing the use of the communication protocol and the command set are given on page 8 of this data sheet.

ALARMS

The Pocket Watch B contains four different alarm types: standard, single shot, short astable, and long astable. With these four alarm types, the Pocket Watch B can be configured for numerous alarm and timer functions.

Each of the alarms is exclusive; therefore, if one alarm is selected the other three cannot be used. When a new alarm type is selected, the settings from the old alarm setting are lost.

Standard Alarm This is a standard alarm level toggle, much like a common alarm clock. When the values in the alarm registers equal the time, as kept by the Pocket Watch B, the ALARM pin will toggle from low to high. The ALARM pin will remain high indefinitely. The only way to have the ALARM pin go back low is to remove power from the Pocket Watch B or use either of the 'turn alarm off' commands.

Single Shot Alarm This command sets a duration for the alarm to remain active then turn off. This allows the Pocket Watch B to toggle the ALARM pin on for a set period and then turn off the ALARM pin with no action taken by the master processor. The Pocket Watch B will only perform this sequence once, after the alarm has turned off, the master must reset the alarm if another single shot is wanted.

The duration of the single shot has a resolution of seconds and is set by two bytes: DURATION_HIGH and DURATION_LOW which are concatenated to make one 16 bit value. In this manner durations of 1 to -65536 seconds can be achieved. The duration lasts for one second longer than the loaded value. For example if a duration of 2 minutes (120 seconds) was wanted, DURATION_HIGH would be loaded with '00'h and DURATION_LOW would be loaded with '77'h.

Short Astable Alarm When this alarm is used the ALARM pin will toggle high at the time that the alarm is set to go off. From this point on, the ALARM pin will act like a timer, toggling on for an amount of time and then off, repeating this sequence indefinitely. The amount of time the ALARM will be high is set by one byte: DURATION; the repetition rate is set by one byte: PERIOD. DURATION can have a value of 1 to 256 seconds while PERIOD can have a value of 1 to 256 minutes. Each of these values is incremented by one, so the shortest duration is 1 second while the shortest repetition rate is 1 minute. For example if the ALARM pin should be on for 3 minutes and repeat every 15 minutes DURATION would be loaded with 'B3'h and PERIOD would be loaded with '0E'h.

Long Astable Alarm When this alarm is used the ALARM pin will toggle high at the time that the alarm is set to go off. From this point on, the ALARM pin will act like a timer, toggling on for an amount of time and then off, repeating this sequence indefinitely. The amount of time the ALARM will be high is set by one byte: DURATION; the repetition rate is set by one byte: PERIOD. DURATION can have a value of 1 to 256 minutes while PERIOD can have a value of 1 to 256 hours. Each of these values is incremented by one, so the shortest duration is 1 minute while the shortest repetition rate is 1 hour. For example if the ALARM pin should be on for 90 minutes and repeat every 24 hours DURATION would be loaded with '59'h and PERIOD would be loaded with '17'h.

OSCILLATOR CALIBRATION

Solutions Cubed can make no guarantee to the accuracy or even the operation of the Pocket Watch B once an end user calibrates the Pocket Watch B. Calibration should be attempted only by those using the correct tools.

The timebase is based on a standard 32.768kHz crystal circuit which has been factory trimmed. This allows the Pocket Watch B to achieve a very steady timebase over time. For most normal use, user calibration should never be necessary. However, due to component aging, temperature stresses, and/or operation in harsh environments, the oscillator frequency may drift. If this happens, the oscillator may need to be trimmed by the end user.

Accessing the oscillator output at the "TP2" point located on the Pocket Watch B circuit board, the trim capacitor C4 may be adjusted until the frequency out of the oscillator circuit is exactly 32.768kHz. Once the output is 32.768kHz exactly for the required operating environment, the Pocket Watch B should meet all of the timing specifications given in this data sheet.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN POCKET WATCH AND POCKET WATCH B

The Pocket Watch B is a direct pin for pin replacement for the original Pocket Watch module provided by Solutions Cubed. The Pocket Watch B contains many advanced features which the original Pocket Watch does not. The list below details the upgrades which the Pocket Watch B has.

Pocket Watch B Upgrades

- Factory calibrated timebase
- User accessible timebase
- User calibration of timebase
- 3 advanced alarms: single shot, short astable, long astable
- Year 2000 fix
- PCB insertable SIP connector
- Streamlined communication protocol

Converting Master Software

The basic command set from the original Pocket Watch has been implemented directly into the Pocket Watch B, therefore any program which works with the Pocket Watch will work with the Pocket Watch B with only one modification.

The 2mS attention pulse which the original Pocket Watch required to start communication is no longer necessary. Under most circumstances the Pocket Watch B will ignore the attention pulse, however communication errors may arise if left in. In order to guarantee communication, the attention pulse should be removed from any old Pocket Watch program accessing the Pocket Watch B.

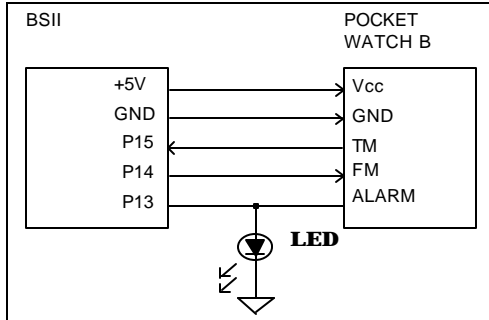
APPLICATIONS

The following examples show how to interface the Pocket Watch B to various master processors in various configurations. These examples should make it fairly easy for an end user to custom design their own programs and uses for the Pocket Watch B.

AN-151 'Interfacing to a Parallax BASIC Stamp II', AN-152 'Interfacing with a single wire', and the hardware diagram for AN-153 'Interfacing to a PC' are all included here.

AN-151 Interfacing to a Parallax BASIC Stamp II

The Parallax BASIC Stamp II makes an ideal choice for the master processor for the Pocket Watch B for one main reason: ease of developing code. The SERIN and SEROUT commands which the BASIC Stamp interpreter supports, provide the end user with an effective and simple method to interface to the Pocket Watch B. The diagram below shows the connection diagram used for this application.



The Pocket Watch B's ALARM pin is connected to the Basic Stamp II so that the BSII can tell when an alarm has happened. The LED gives a visual indicator of when an alarm has gone off. Because the ALARM pin is internally current limited, there is no need to put a current limit resistor in line with the LED.

The program below simply goes through all of the commands and alarms. The long astable command is not included here; however, using it is exactly like using the short astable alarm. The in-line comments, should make it easy to understand.

AN-151 Interfacing to a BSII code listing

'AN-151 BSII interface to Pocket Watch B
'by Solutions Cubed
'07/97

'Set I/O pin directions

input 15

output 14

input 13

'Declare variables

ss var byte

mm var byte

hh var byte

dd var byte

mo var byte

yl var byte

yh var byte

Begin:

HIGH 14

PAUSE 1000

SetTimeCommand:

SEROUT 14,84,[\$55,\$00,\$00,\$1E,\$06,\$03,\$06,\$61]

SetAlarmCommand:

SEROUT 14,84,[\$55,\$01,\$0F,\$1E,\$06,\$03,\$06,\$61]

ReadAlarmCommand:

SEROUT 14,84,[\$55,\$03]

SERIN 15,84,5000,BadAlarm1,[\$ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl]

DEBUG "Alarm: ",dec2 hh,":",dec2 mm,":",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/19",dec2 yl, cr

'communication FROM Pocket Watch B

'communication TO Pocket Watch B

'ALARM monitoring pin

'seconds

'minutes

'hours

'days

'months

'years low

'years high

'ensure no spurious start bit

'set to 6:30:00AM, June 3, 1997

'set to 15 seconds after time

'see what time alarm set to go off

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AlarmOnCommand:                                     'enable alarm
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$04]
Loop1:  PAUSE 2000                                     'wait 2 seconds between reads
ReadTimeCommand:                                   'see what time it is presently
    SEROUT 14,188,[$55,$02]
    SERIN  15,188,5000,BadLoop1,[ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl]
    DEBUG  "Time: ",dec2 hh,":",dec2 mm,"-",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/19",dec2 yl, cr
CheckALARM:                                         'see if ALARM is high
    IF IN13=1 THEN AlarmOff1                         'if ALARM not high read time
    GOTO   LOOP1
AlarmOff1:
    DEBUG  "Regular Alarm On",CR
    PAUSE  5000                                     'allow alarm to stay of for 5 sec
AlarmOffCommand:                                   'turn off alarm
    SEROUT 14,188,[$55,$05]
    DEBUG  "Regular Alarm Off",CR,CR
SetTimeExtended:                                   'set time to 9:45:00PM, November 16, 2001
    SEROUT 14,396,[$55,$10,$00,$2D,$15,$10,$0B,$01,$14]
SetAlarmExtended:                                   'set alarm for 15 seconds later
    SEROUT 14,396,[$55,$11,$0F,$2D,$15,$10,$0B,$01,$14]
ReadAlarmExtended:                                   'see what time alarm is on
    SEROUT 14,396,[$55,$13]
    SERIN  15,396,5000,BadAlarm2,[ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh]
    DEBUG  "Alarm: ",dec2 hh,":",dec2 mm,"-",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/",dec2 yh,dec2 yl, cr
SetSingleShot:                                       'set singleshot --> 10 seconds
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$16,$00,$09]
AlarmOnExtended1:                                   'enable alarm
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$14]
ReadAlChar1:                                         'get alarm characteristics
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$19]
    SERIN  15,84,5000,BadAlarm3,[b1,b2,b3,ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh]
    DEBUG  "Alarm type: ",dec2 b1,cr,"Byte 1: ",dec2 b2,cr,"Byte 2: ",dec2 b3,cr
    DEBUG  "Alarm: ",dec2 hh,":",dec2 mm,"-",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/",dec2 yh,dec2 yl, cr
Loop2:  PAUSE 2000                                     'wait 2 seconds between reads
ReadTimeEx1:                                         'read extended time
    SEROUT 14,396,[$55,$12]
    SERIN  15,396,5000,BadReadex1,[ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh]
    DEBUG  "Time: ",dec2 hh,":",dec2 mm,"-",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/",dec2 yh,dec2 yl, cr
CheckSingleShot1:                                   'see if single shot started
    IF IN13=1 THEN CheckSingleShot2                 'if single shot not started read time
    GOTO   LOOP2
CheckSingleShot2:
    DEBUG  "Single Shot Started",CR
Loop3:
    IF IN13=0 THEN CheckSingleShot3                 'see if single shot over
    GOTO   Loop3
CheckSingleShot3:
    DEBUG  "Single Shot Done",CR,CR
SetShortAsable:                                       '15 seconds every 1 minute
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$17,$00,$0E]
SetAlarmEx2:
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$11,$00,$2E,$15,$10,$0B,$01,$14]
AlarmOnEx2:                                           'turn on short astable
    SEROUT 14,188,[$55,$14]
ReadAlChar2:                                         'get alarm characteristics
    SEROUT 14,84,[$55,$19]
    SERIN  15,84,5000,BadAlarm3,[b1,b2,b3,ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh]
    DEBUG  "Alarm type: ",dec2 b1,cr,"Byte 1: ",dec2 b2,cr,"Byte 2: ",dec2 b3,cr
    DEBUG  "Alarm: ",dec2 hh,":",dec2 mm,"-",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/",dec2 yh,dec2 yl, cr
ReadTimeEx2:                                         'read extended time
    PAUSE  10000                                     'wait 10 seconds between reads

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SEROUT 14,396,[$55,$12]
SERIN  15,396,5000,BadReadex2,[ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh]
DEBUG  "Time: ",dec2 hh,": ",dec2 mm,": ",dec2 ss," ",dec2 mo,"/",dec2 dd,"/",dec2 yh,dec2 yl, cr
CheckAstable1:                                     'see if astable started
IF IN13=1 THEN CheckAstable2                       'if single shot not started read time
GOTO   ReadTimeEx2
```

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        DEBUG    CR,"Short Astable Started -- Waiting 5 minutes",CR
CheckAstable2:
        PAUSE    60000                                'wait 5 minutes
        PAUSE    60000                                'wait 5 minutes
        PAUSE    60000                                'wait 5 minutes
        PAUSE    60000                                'wait 5 minutes
        PAUSE    60000                                'wait 5 minutes
AlarmOffEx:
        SEROUT   14,396,[$55,$15]
Done:
        DEBUG    CR,CR,"Done with AN-501"
DoneLoop:
        GOTO     DoneLoop

```

'Bad Communication Vectors

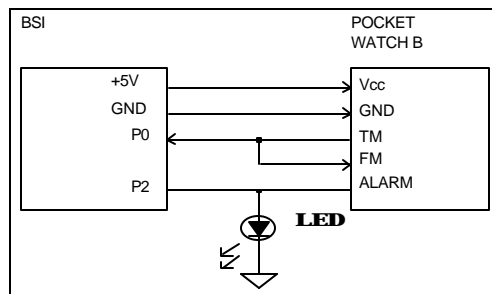
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BadAlarm1:
        DEBUG    "Alarm read 1 bad",CR
        GOTO     ReadAlarmCommand
BadAlarm2:
        DEBUG    "Alarm read 2 bad",CR
        GOTO     ReadAlarmExtended
BadAlarm3:
        DEBUG    "Alarm read 3 bad",CR
        GOTO     ReadAIChar1
BadLoop1:
        DEBUG    "Loop1 error", CR
        GOTO     Loop1
BadReadEx1:
        DEBUG    "Read extended 1 bad",CR
        GOTO     ReadTimeEx1
BadReadEx2:
        DEBUG    "Read extended 2 bad",CR
        GOTO     ReadTimeEx2

```

AN-152 Interfacing with 1 I/O line

The Pocket Watch B uses a two wire serial interface for communication. However, its TM pin is pseudo open-collector. This coupled with the fact that the FM pin and the TM pin never communicate simultaneously allows the Pocket Watch B to communicate via 1 wire if the master processor is able to support this mode.



In order for 1 wire communication to work, the master processor must be able to both send and receive with one I/O line. Because of this, a standard PC serial port is not able to work with just 1 wire. However, most microcontrollers can support this mode. This example shows how to interface the Pocket Watch B to a Parallax BASIC Stamp I with only one wire. The diagram to the left shows the connections necessary and the code following gives a brief listing some BSI instructions which will support this method of communication.

AN-152 Interfacing to a BSI via a single I/O line code listing

```

'AN-152 Single Line BSI interface to Pocket Watch B
'by Solutions Cubed
'07/97
'
'Set I/O pin directions
output 0                                'communication TO/FROM Pocket Watch B
input 2                                'ALARM monitoring pin
'

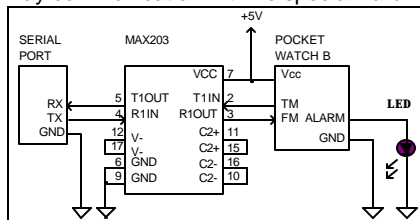
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'Declare variables
Symbol ss=b0 'seconds
Symbol mm=b1 'minutes
Symbol hh=b2 'hours
Symbol dd=b3 'days
Symbol mo=b4 'months
Symbol yl=b5 'years low
Symbol yh=b6 'years high
'
Begin:
    HIGH 0 'ensure no spurious start bit
    PAUSE 1000
SetTimeExtendedCommand: 'set to 05:20:00AM, June 7, 1997
    SEROUT 0,T2400,($55,$10,$00,$14,$05,$07,$06,$61,$13)
SetAlarmExtendedCommand: 'set to 15 seconds after time
    SEROUT 0,T2400,($55,$11,$0F,$14,$05,$07,$06,$61,$13)
SetSingleShot: 'set for 30 seconds
    SEROUT 0,T2400,($55,$16,$00,$29)
ReadAlarmChar: 'see what time alarm set to go off
    SEROUT 0,T2400,($55,$19)
    SERIN 0,T2400,b7,b8,b9,ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh
    DEBUG CR,"Alarm type: ",#b7,CR
    DEBUG "Byte 1: ",#b8,CR
    DEBUG "Byte 2: ",#b9,CR
    DEBUG "Alarm: ",cr,hh,cr,mm,cr,ss,cr,mo,cr,dd,cr,yh,cr,yl,cr
AlarmOnExtended:
    SEROUT 0,T2400,($55,$14)
ReadTimeExtended:
    PAUSE 5000 'wait 5 seconds between reads
    SEROUT 0,T2400,($55,$12)
    SERIN 0,T2400,ss,mm,hh,dd,mo,yl,yh
    DEBUG CR,"Time: ",cr,hh,cr,mm,cr,ss,cr,mo,cr,dd,cr,yh,cr,yl,cr
WaitForAlarm: 'wait for single shot to start
    IF PIN2 = 1 THEN WaitAlarmDone
    GOTO ReadTimeExtended
WaitAlarmDone: 'wait for single shot to finish
    IF PIN2 = 0 THEN Finish
    GOTO WaitAlarmDone
Finish:
    DEBUG CR,CR,"AN-152 Finished",CR
    END 'ensure no reset
    
```

AN-153 Interfacing to a PC Serial Port

The Pocket Watch B can be easily interfaced to a PC serial port, thereby allowing any PC program which can control the serial port to interface to the Pocket Watch B. The two wire interface of the Pocket Watch allows for two way communication with no special hardware configuration.



The schematic shows a Maxim 203 RS-232 level translator chip for changing the TTL levels of the Pocket Watch B to RS-232 levels. While there are methods available of interfacing to RS-232 levels without a level translation chip, Solutions Cubed can make no claims as to their reliability.

For a standard PC serial port use the following pin out for the serial connector. While these connections should work with most computers, you should check to make sure.

Signal Name	DB-25	DB-9
TX	2	3
RX	3	2
GND	7	5

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