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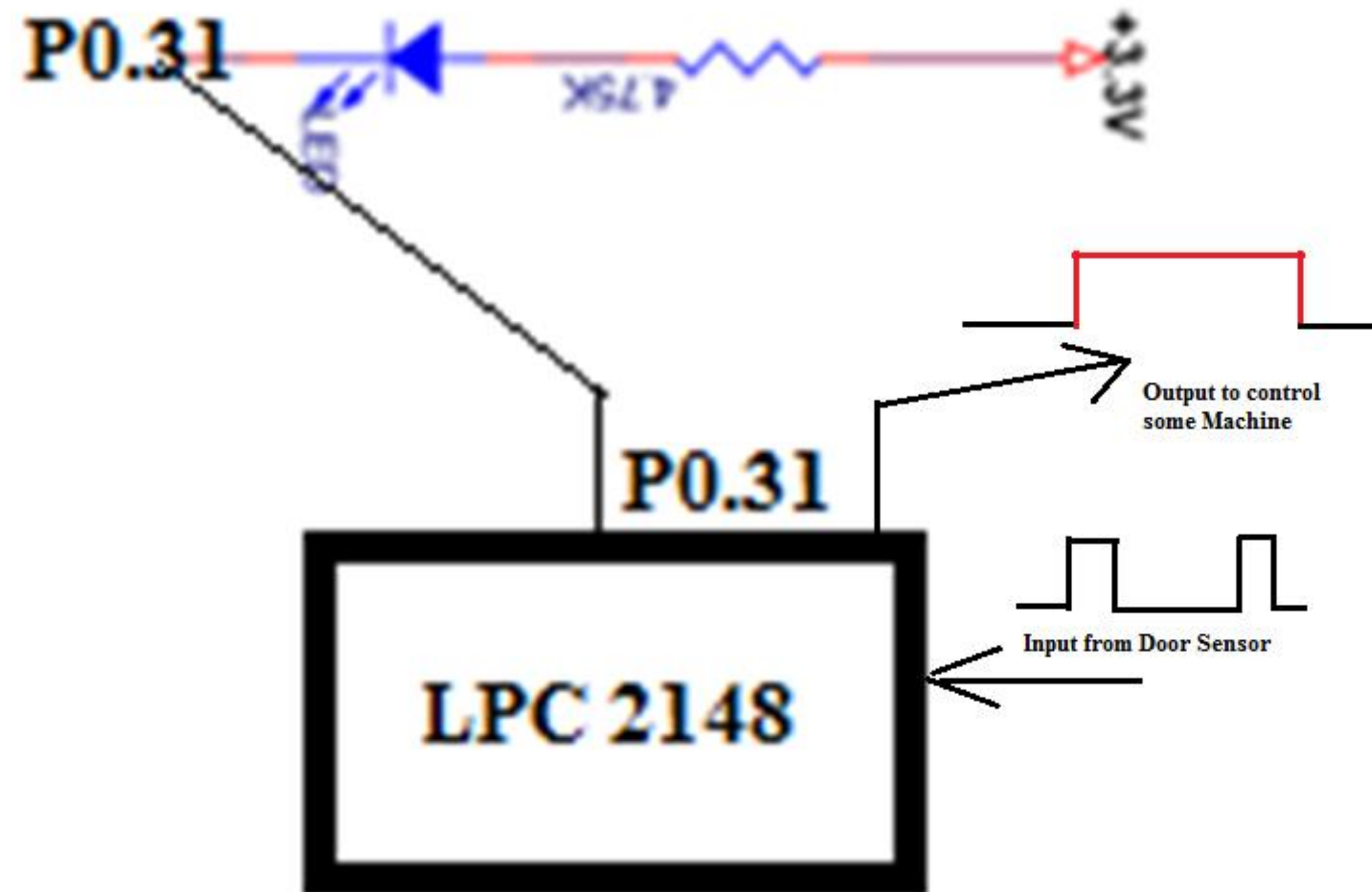
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**Programming LPC 2148 Timers**

## Necessity of Timers..

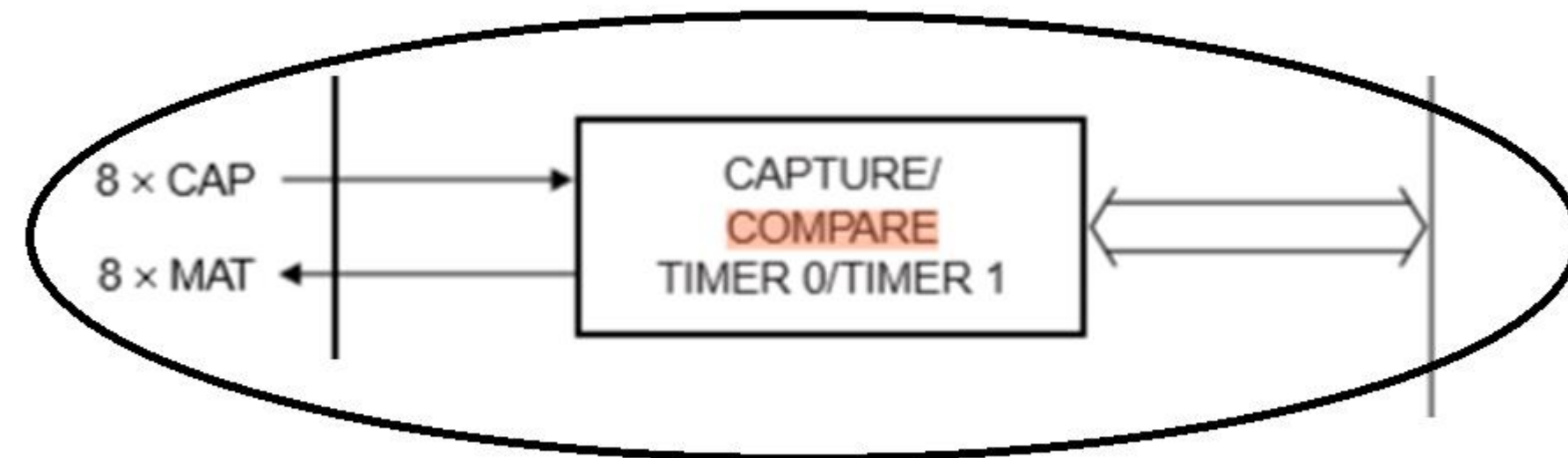
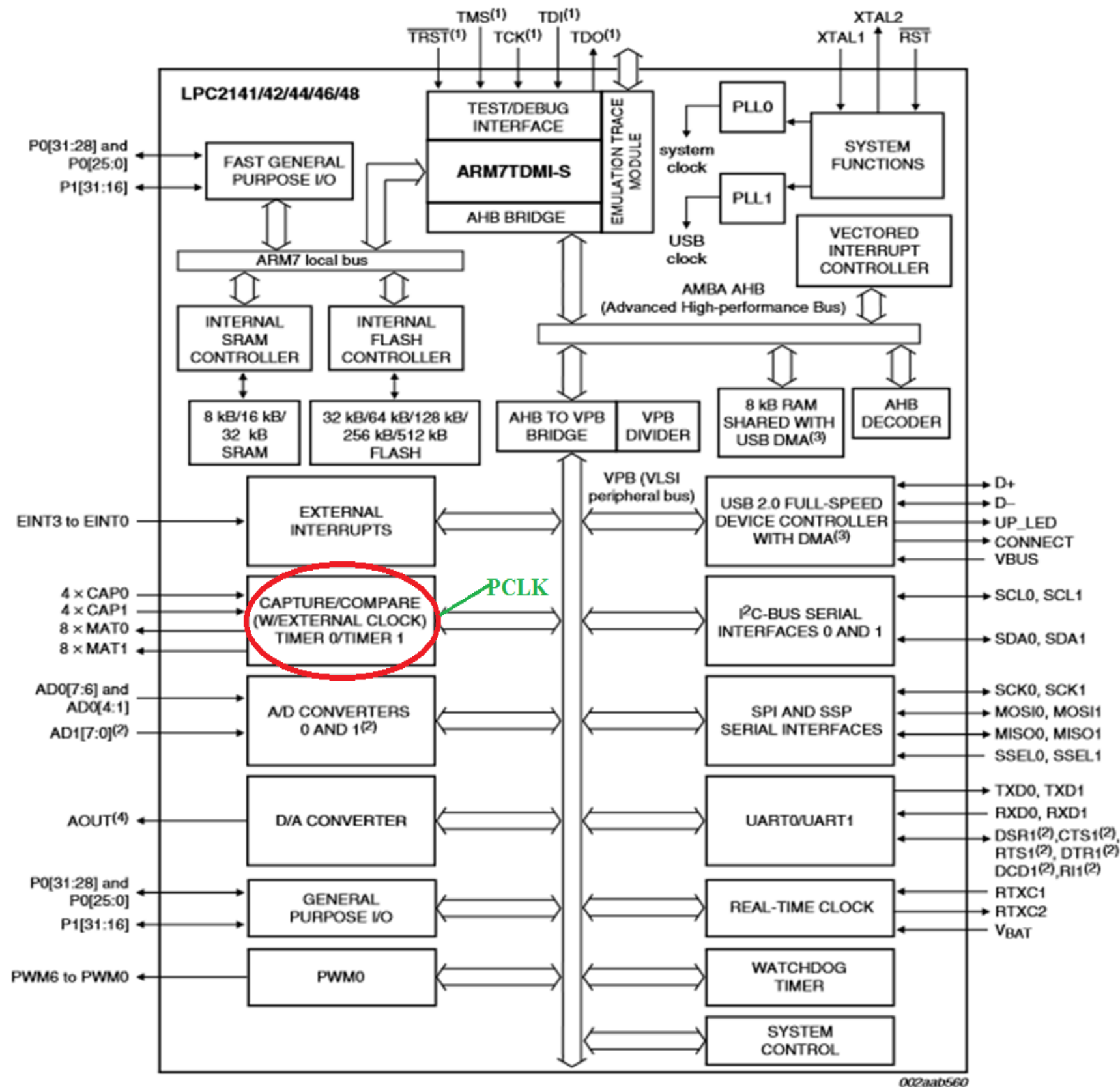
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int main( )
{
    IOODIR = 1U << 31;
    while(1)
    {
        IOOCLR = 1U << 31; //LED_ON
        delay_ms(500);
        IOOSET = 1U << 31; //LED_OFF
        delay_ms(500);
    }
}

void delay_ms(unsigned int j)
{
    unsigned int x, i;
    for(i=0; i<j; i++)
    {
        for(x=0; x<10000; x++); }
}
```

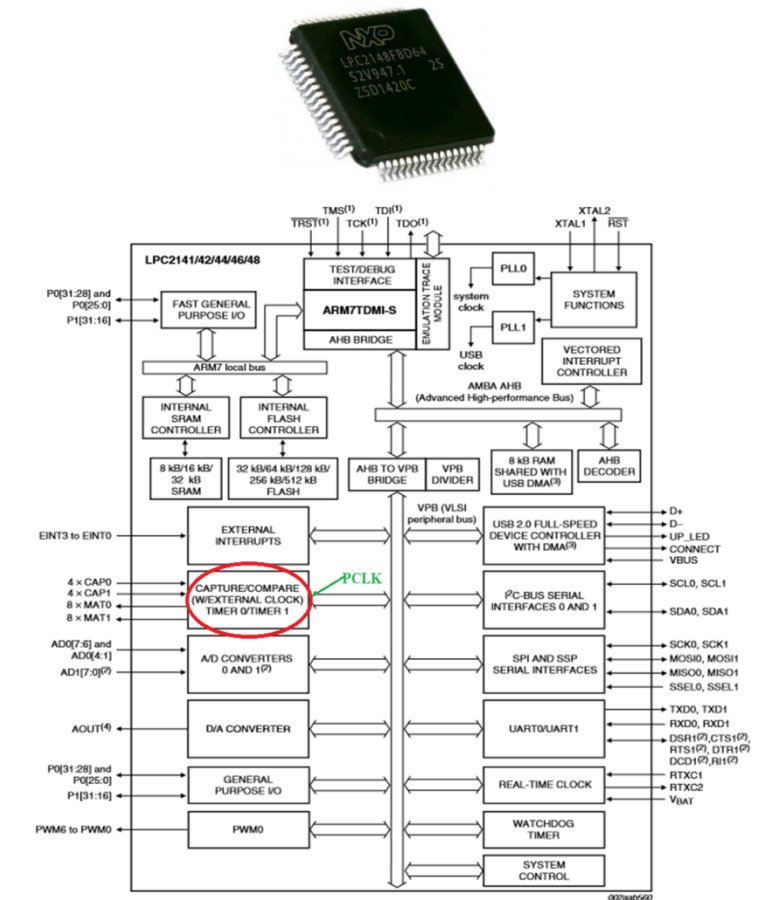
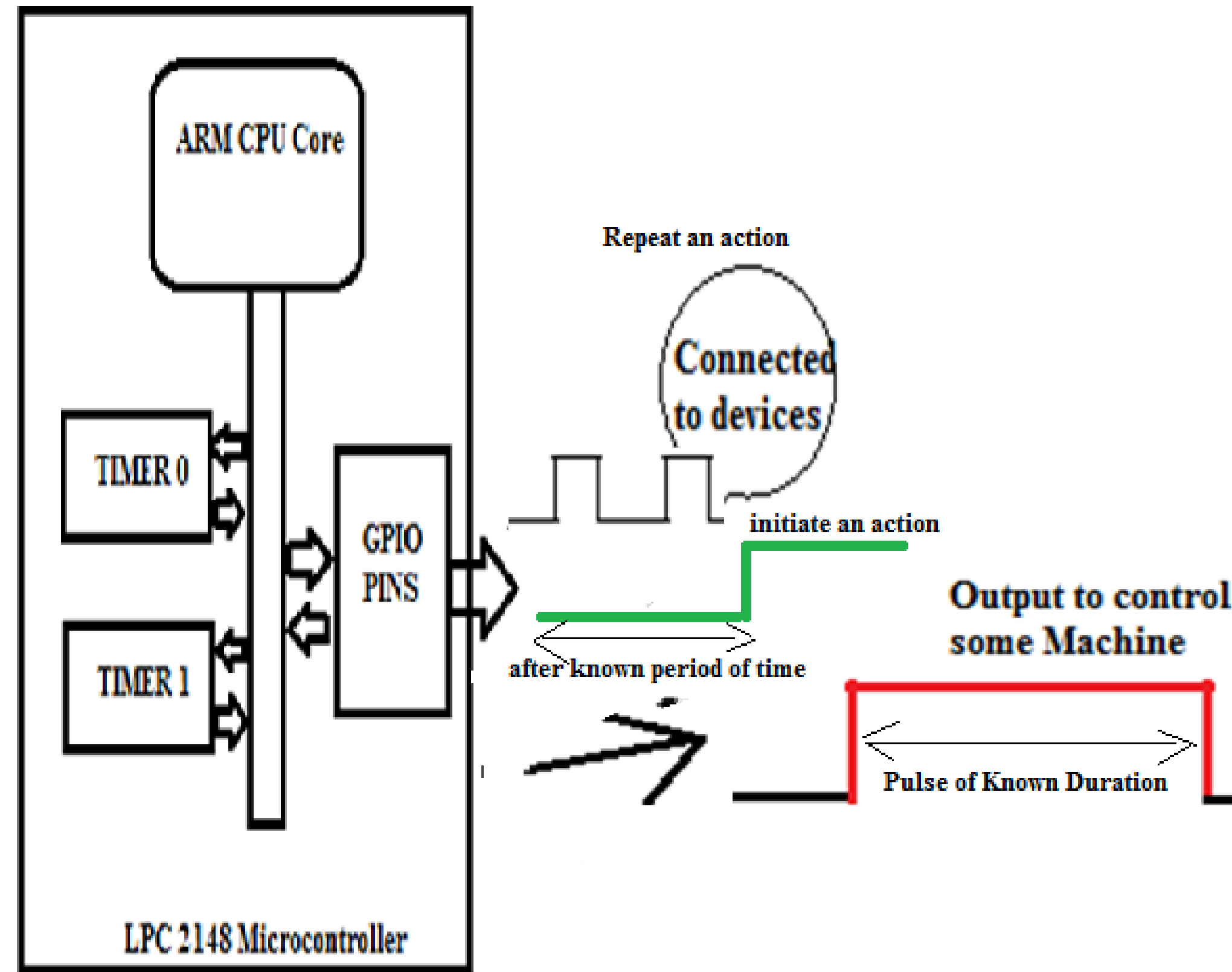
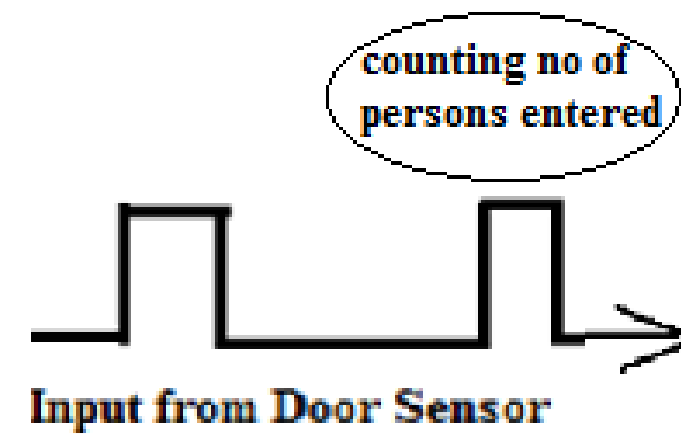


- \* To avoid, CPU getting engaged in execution (blocked).
- \* Producing accurate delays, counting events...

# LPC 2148 Timers...

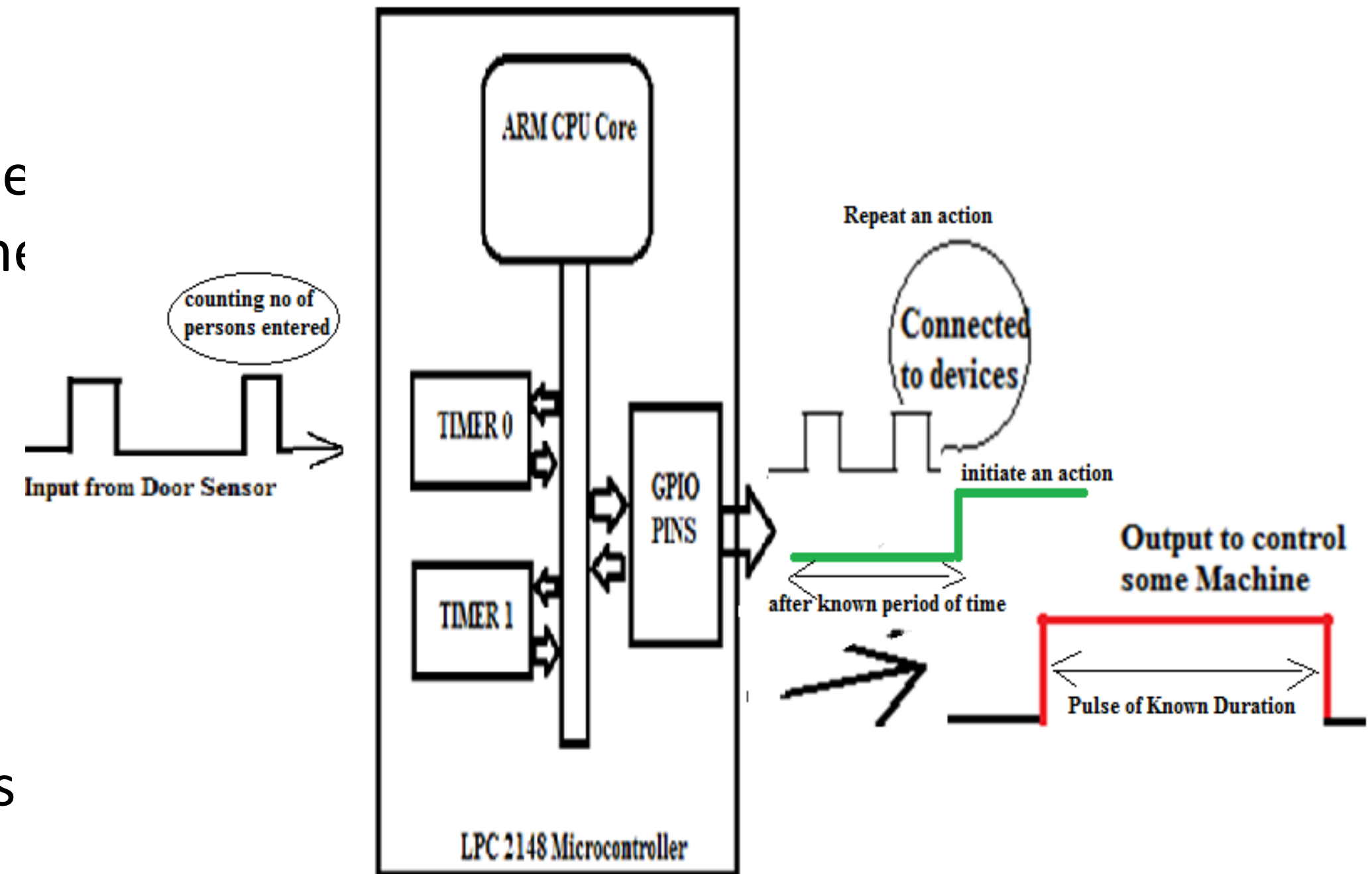


# LPC 2148 Timers...



## Applications of Timers...

- To generate precise delays, Interval timer for counting internal events
- To repeat an action after a known period of time
- To initiate an action after a known period of time
- To generate precise pulse of given duration, to trigger external time critical events
- Operating systems use a timer to schedule the different processes/threads/tasks.
- As a waveform generator, to generate a PWM signal to drive the servo-motor or a dc-motor.
- If timers are used as counters: It can be used as pulse counter , Pulse width Demodulator





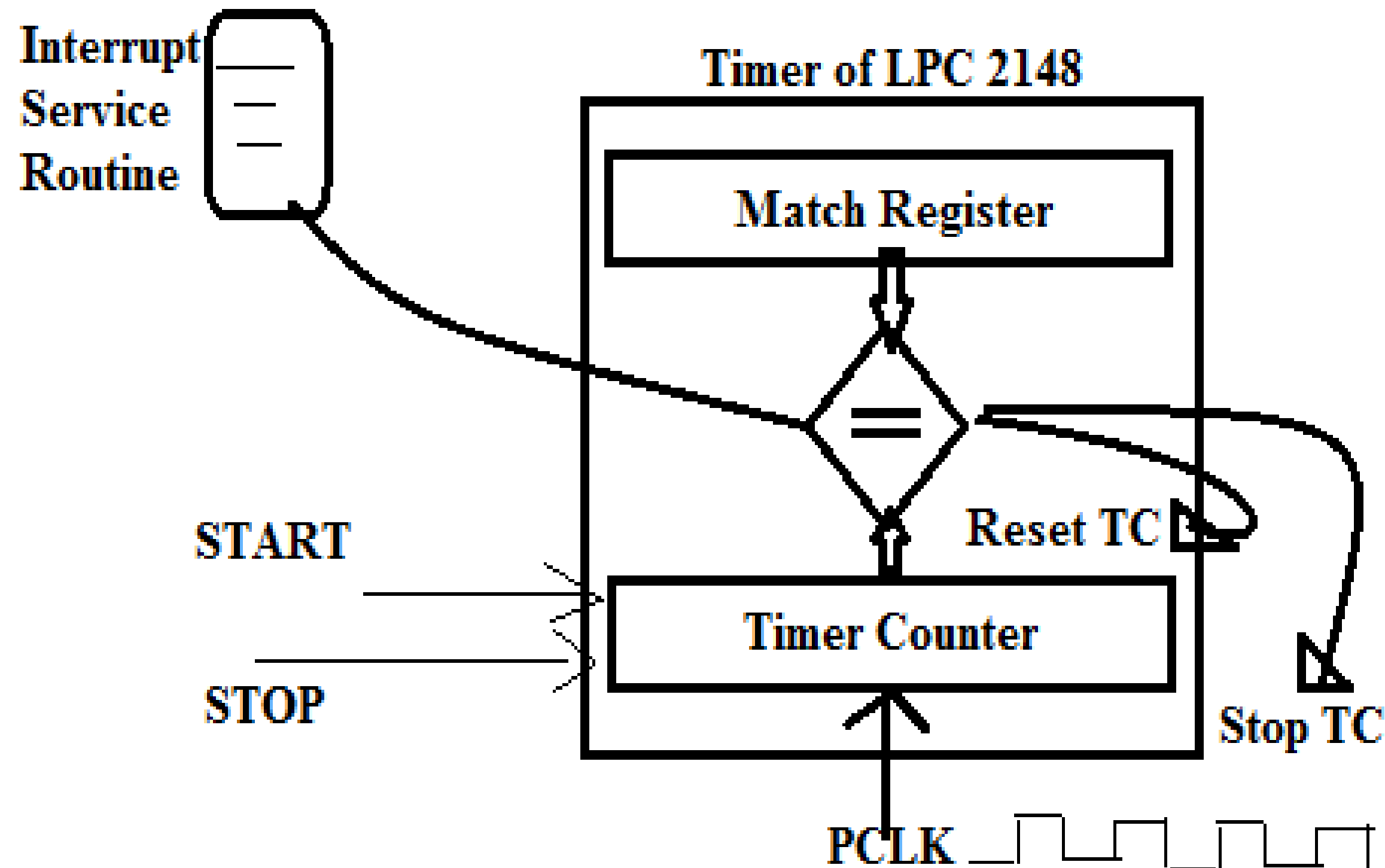
# Working of Timers...

Time taken for counting one PCLK cycle (TC=1)

$$T = 1 / \text{PCLK} = 1 / (15\text{MHz}) = 0.067 \text{ micro seconds}$$

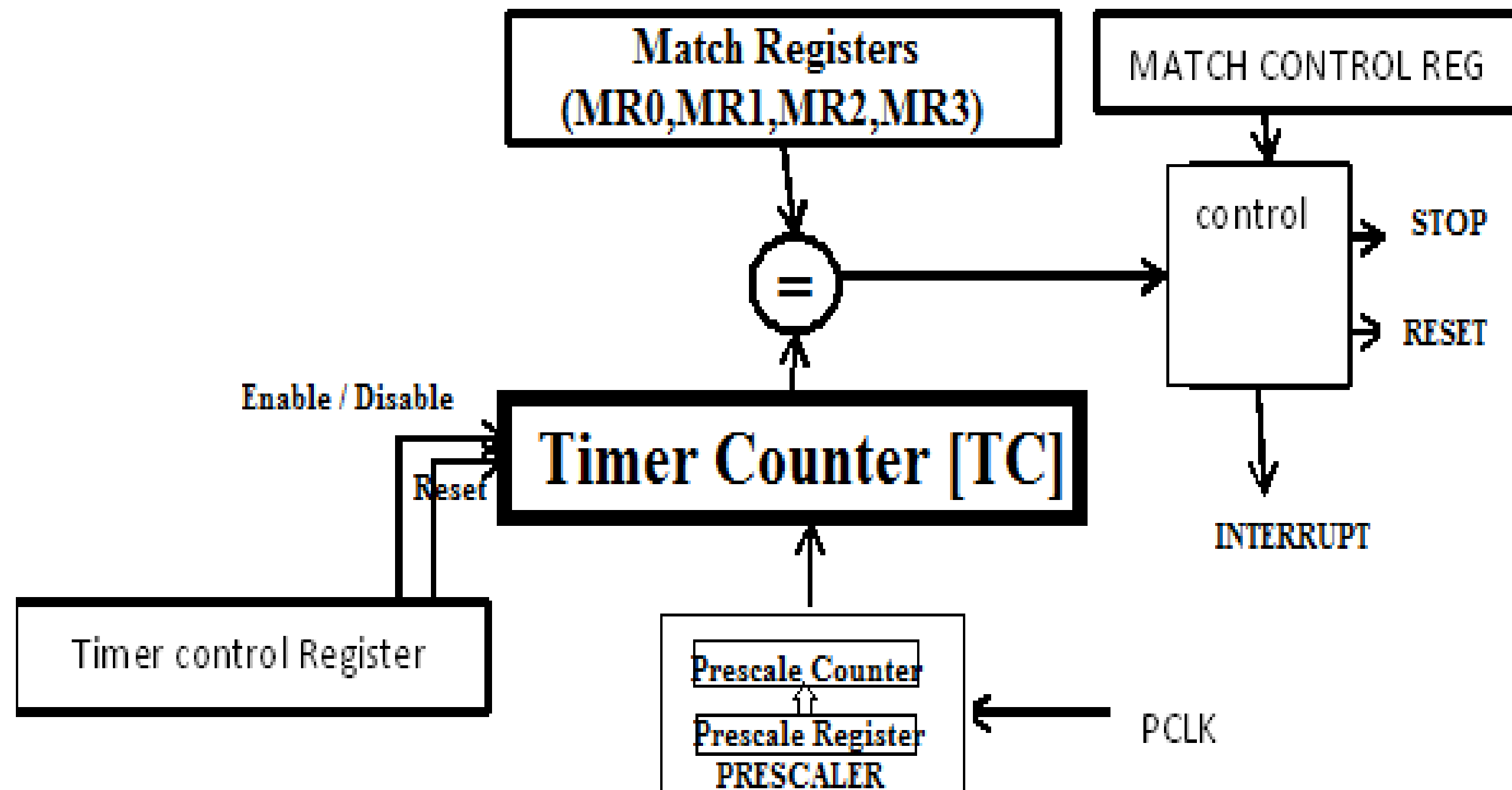
Similarly, if TC = 15000(i.e counted 15000 PCLK pulses),

time taken by timer is  $15000 \times T = 15000 \times [1/(15\text{MHz})] = 1 \text{ milli seconds}$ .



- What is Timer/Counter
- Difference between Timer and Counter

# Programming TIMER Unit of LPC 2148



# Registers of TIMER Unit of LPC 2148

**TC** – [ Timer Counter ] : counts from 00000000h to FFFFFFFFH. The 32 bit TC is incremented every PR+1 cycles of PCLK. The TC is controlled through the TCR.

**TCR**- [ Timer Control Register] , 8 bits, used to enable/disable and/or reset timer (TC).

D7 D6 D5 D4 D3 D2 D1 D0  
R E

E (D0 bit) =1 to enable the timer , =0 to disable the timer.

R (D1 bit) =1 to reset the TC to zero

**MR0,MR1,MR2,MR3** – 4 Match Registers, 32 bits, whose values are compared with TC value, on match certain action is performed based on the MCR (match control register)

**MCR** – Match Control Register, 16 bits, 3 bits for each Match register:

D15 D11 D10 D9 D8 D7 D6 D5 D4 D3 D2 D1 D0  
S R I S R I S R I S R I  
MR3 MR2 MR1 MR0

I - When '1' , an interrupt is activated when match occurs, '0' interrupt is disabled

R- When '1', the timer count register is reset when match occurs

S- When '1' , the timer count and the pre-scale counter will be stopped



# Registers of TIMER Unit of LPC 2148

**Timer Counter (TC, **TIMER0**: T0TC - 0xE000 4008 and **TIMER1**: T1TC - 0xE000 8008)**

The 32-bit Timer Counter is incremented when the Prescale Counter reaches its terminal count. Unless it is reset before reaching its upper limit, the TC will count up through the value 0xFFFF FFFF and then wrap back to the value 0x0000 0000. This event does not cause an interrupt, but a Match register can be used to detect an overflow if needed.

**Prescale Register (PR, **TIMER0**: T0PR - 0xE000 400C and **TIMER1**: T1PR - 0xE000 800C)**

The 32-bit Prescale Register specifies the maximum value for the Prescale Counter.

**Prescale Counter Register (PC, **TIMER0**: T0PC - 0xE000 4010 and **TIMER1**: T1PC - 0xE000 8010)**

The 32-bit Prescale Counter controls division of PCLK by some constant value before it is applied to the Timer Counter. This allows control of the relationship of the resolution of the timer versus the maximum time before the timer overflows. The Prescale Counter is incremented on every PCLK. When it reaches the value stored in the Prescale Register, the Timer Counter is incremented and the Prescale Counter is reset on the next PCLK. This causes the TC to increment on every PCLK when PR = 0, every 2 PCLKs when PR = 1, etc.

**Match Registers (MR0 - MR3)**

The Match register values are continuously compared to the Timer Counter value. When the two values are equal, actions can be triggered automatically. The action possibilities are to generate an interrupt, reset the Timer Counter, or stop the timer. Actions are controlled by the settings in the MCR register.

# Registers of TIMER Unit of LPC 2148

Timer Control Register (TCR, **TIMER0**: T0TCR - address 0xE000 4004 and **TIMER1**: T1TCR - address 0xE000 8004) bit description

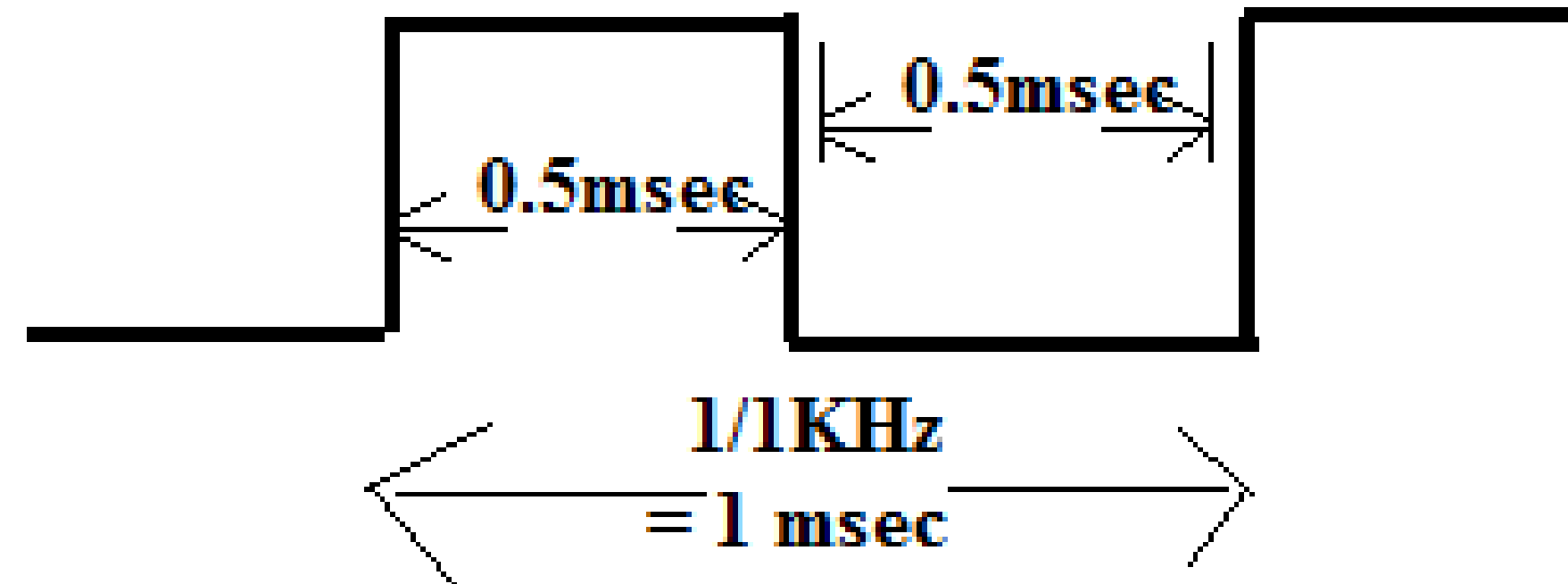
Bit	Symbol	Description	Reset value
0	Counter Enable	When one, the Timer Counter and Prescale Counter are enabled for counting. When zero, the counters are disabled.	0
1	Counter Reset	When one, the Timer Counter and the Prescale Counter are synchronously reset on the next positive edge of PCLK. The counters remain reset until TCR[1] is returned to zero.	0
7:2	-	Reserved, user software should not write ones to reserved bits. The value read from a reserved bit is not defined.	NA

# Registers of TIMER Unit of LPC 2148

**Table 242: Match Control Register (MCR, TIMER0: T0MCR - address 0xE000 4014 and TIMER1: T1MCR - address 0xE000 8014) bit description**

Bit	Symbol	Value	Description	Reset value
0	MR0I	1	Interrupt on MR0: an interrupt is generated when MR0 matches the value in the TC.	0
		0	This interrupt is disabled	
1	MR0R	1	Reset on MR0: the TC will be reset if MR0 matches it.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
2	MR0S	1	Stop on MR0: the TC and PC will be stopped and TCR[0] will be set to 0 if MR0 matches the TC.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
3	MR1I	1	Interrupt on MR1: an interrupt is generated when MR1 matches the value in the TC.	0
		0	This interrupt is disabled	
4	MR1R	1	Reset on MR1: the TC will be reset if MR1 matches it.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
5	MR1S	1	Stop on MR1: the TC and PC will be stopped and TCR[0] will be set to 0 if MR1 matches the TC.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
6	MR2I	1	Interrupt on MR2: an interrupt is generated when MR2 matches the value in the TC.	0
		0	This interrupt is disabled	
7	MR2R	1	Reset on MR2: the TC will be reset if MR2 matches it.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
8	MR2S	1	Stop on MR2: the TC and PC will be stopped and TCR[0] will be set to 0 if MR2 matches the TC.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
9	MR3I	1	Interrupt on MR3: an interrupt is generated when MR3 matches the value in the TC.	0
		0	This interrupt is disabled	
10	MR3R	1	Reset on MR3: the TC will be reset if MR3 matches it.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
11	MR3S	1	Stop on MR3: the TC and PC will be stopped and TCR[0] will be set to 0 if MR3 matches the TC.	0
		0	Feature disabled.	
15:12	-		Reserved, user software should not write ones to reserved bits. The value read from a	NA

**Generate the square wave of frequency 1KHz using the timer, on P1.16pin using timers.**



## Time Calculaton

**Calculate the number/count to be loaded in match register, MR0**

Let us assume **PCLK = 15 MHz** , (PLL enabled, VPBDIV=0), **TOPR = 0**

Count = **Td / T**

=Time period of required output(1KHz) / time period of input frequency(PCLK)

Td = 1/1KHz = 1 msec , half of it is **0.5msec**;

T = 1/15MHz = 0.067μsec

= **0.5 msec / 0.067μsec = 7462** (TC counting this many times produces 0.5msec)

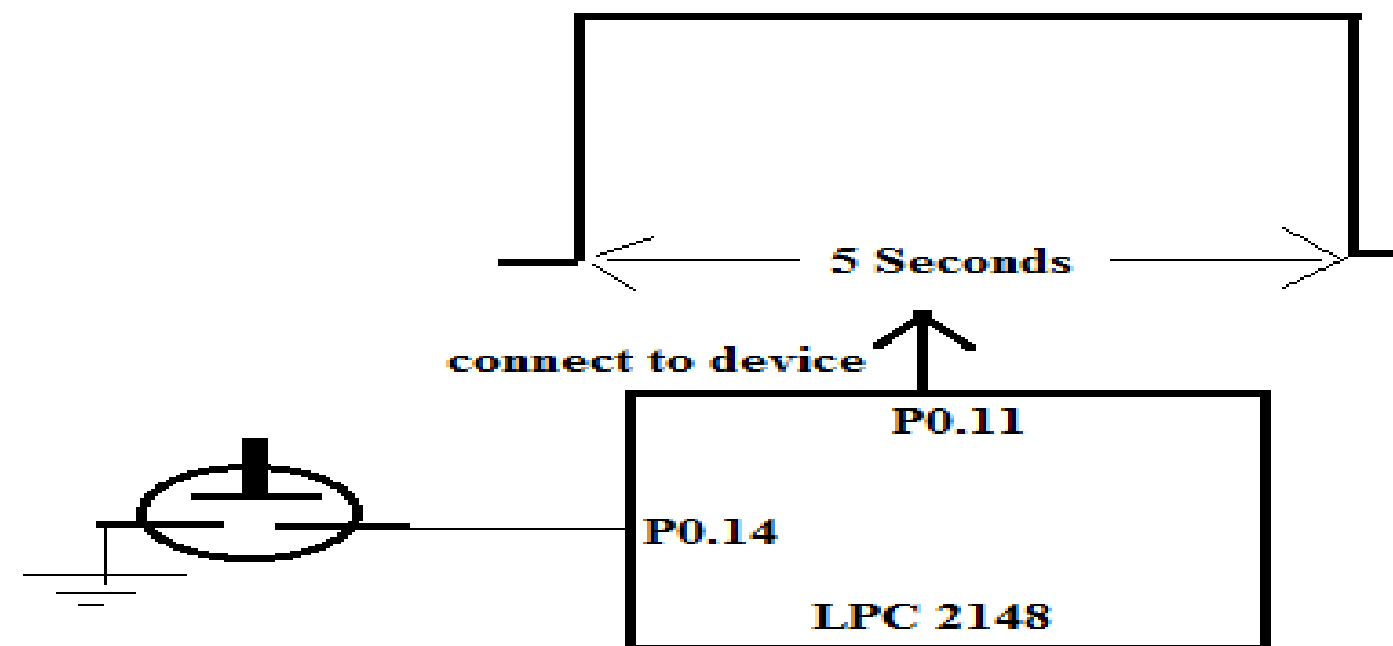
## Steps to Program the Timer

1. Load this number into MR0,  $MR0 = 7462$
2. Load the MCR for stopping the timer on match & disable the interrupt
3. Start the timer, by enabling the 'E' bit in TCR
4. Now TC starts counting, when it matches with the MR value, it stops counting
5. Stop the timer



```
void delay(void)
{
    TOTCR = 1;    //start the timer
    while (!(TOTC == TOMR0));
    TOTCR = 2;    // reset the counter and stop the timer
}
int main(void)
{
    TOMR0 = 7462; //use the Timer0 and load the MR0 with count
    TOMCR = 0X0004; // 0000....100 – Stop the timer, after match
    IODIR1 = 0X00010000; //make P1.16 as output
    while(1) // program to produce square waveform of 1 KHz
    {
        IOSET1 = 1 << 16; //set P1.16 to 1
        delay( );
        IOCLR1 = 1 <<16; //clear P1.16 to 0
        delay( );
    }
}
```

**Interface one AC gadget (say bulb or some machine) to LPC 2148. Write a program to make it on for 5seconds, each time a key is pressed using the timers.**



## Assumptions:

P0.11 is connected to AC gadget through the RELAY, P0.14 is connected to switch (if switch is pressed it generates logic '0', else logic '1' , Let us use Timer0 to produce 5 sec delay.

## Delay Calculation:

Assume CCLK = 60MHZ, PCLK = 60MHz (PLL enabled, VPBDIV=1), Let us use Pre-scaler

If Prescaler (T0PR) is loaded with 99, it will increment TC by 1,  
for every,  $PR0+1 \Rightarrow 99+1=100$  PCLK clock cycles.

Now, Load  $PR = 60000-1 = 59999$ , it will increment TC by 1,  
after  $PR0+1 \Rightarrow 59999+1 = 60000$  PCLK clock cycles. Time period of PCLK =  $1 / 60\text{MHz}$

Hence Pre-scaler increments TC for every =  $60000 \times (1 / 60\text{MHz}) = 1\text{msec}$

so every count of TC means, 1msec is over, if TC=1000, means delay produced =  $1000 \times 1\text{msec} = 1\text{sec}$

Required Delay = 5sec = 5000 milli-seconds.

Total Count = 5000 milli-seconds / 1milli-second = 5000 (load this to MR0)

## **delayHW(void)**

```
{  
    TOPR = 60000-1; // produces 1msec delay  
    TOMR0 = 5000; // produces 5000 x 1msec delay = 5seconds  
    TOTCR = 1; // Start the timer  
    while (!(TOTC == TOMR0)); // wait for TC to reach MR0  
    TOTCR = 2; // Stop the timer, reset the TC,PC  
}
```

```
#include <LPC214x.h>
#define SW2 (IO0PIN & (1 << 14))
int main(void)
{
    IODIR0 = (1<<11); // P0.11 as OUTPUT
    while(1)
    {
        if(!SW2) // wait for key press, if yes produces 5 sec pulse
        {
            IOSET0 = 1 << 10; //set P0.10 to 1
            delayHW( );
            IOCLR0 = 1 <<10; //clear P0.10 to 1
        }
    }
}
```

## Extra Information (Not in syllabus): Other Features/Registers of Timers

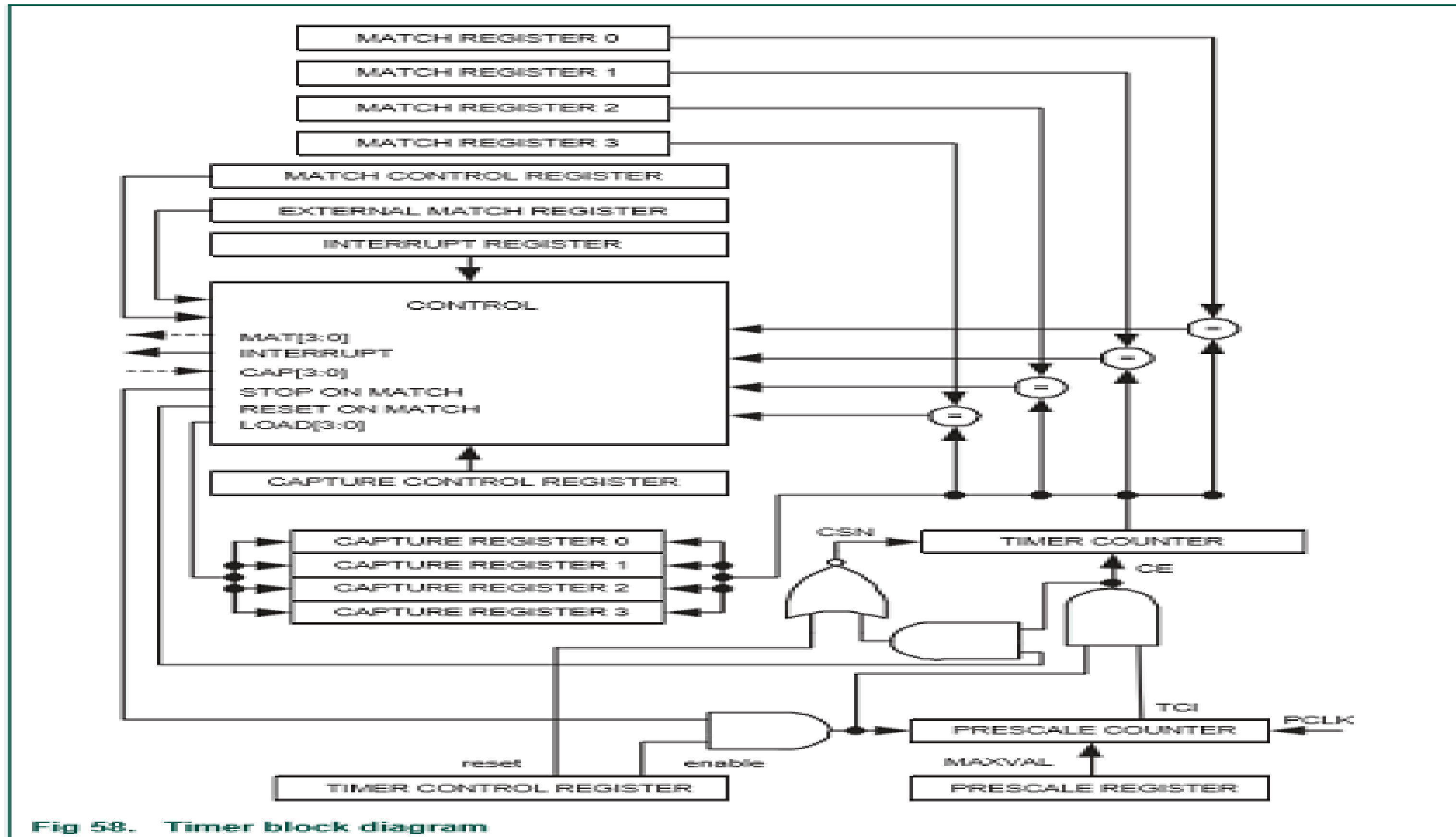


Fig 58. Timer block diagram



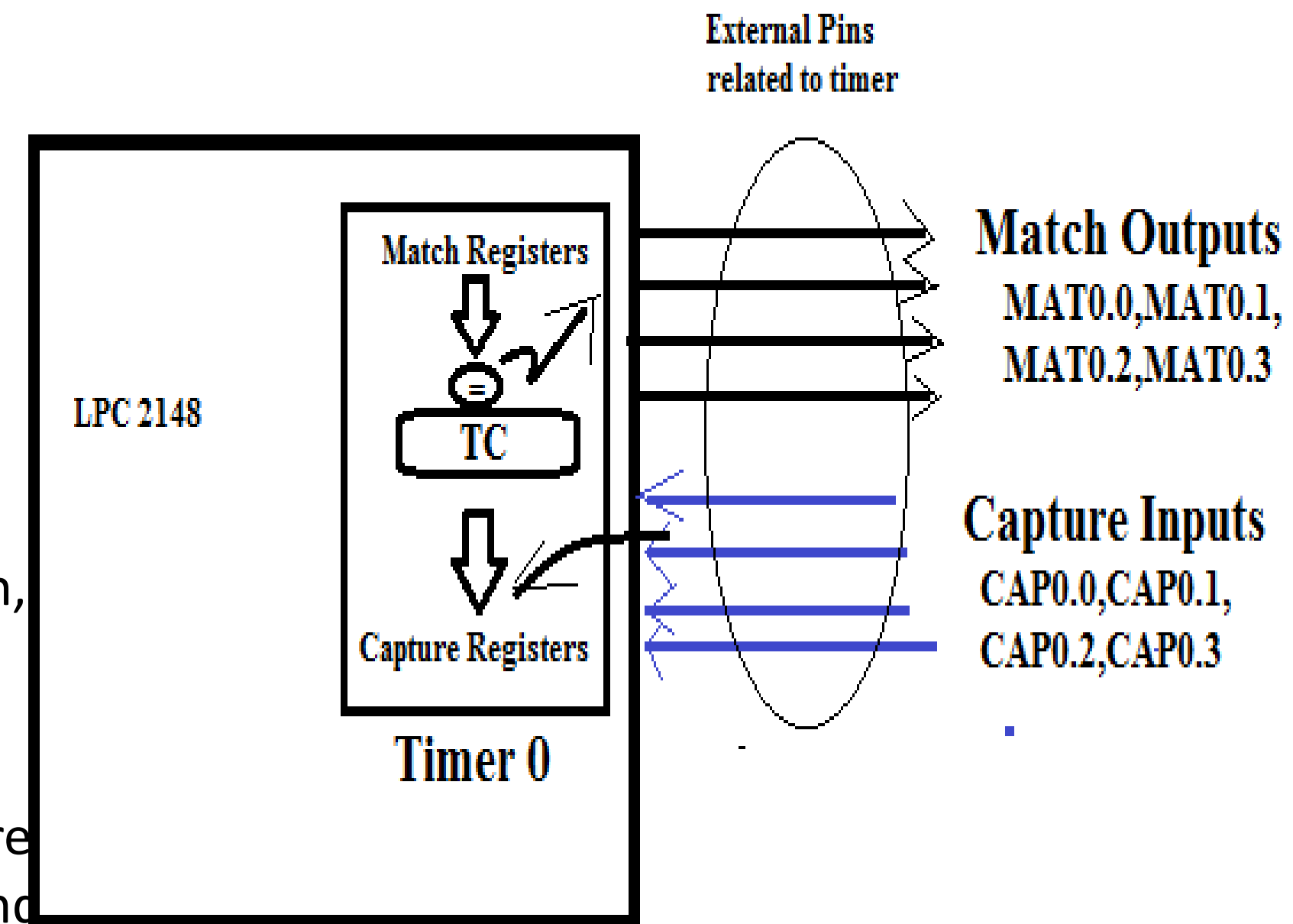
**Capture Signals/Pins** : Each timer is provided with four capture pins. A transition on a capture pin can be configured to load one of the capture registers with the value in the timer counter (TC) and optionally generate an interrupt. CAP0.0,CAP0.1,CAP0.2,CAP0.3 are the pins for timer0 and CAP1.0, CAP1.1, CAP1.2, CAP1.3 are the pins for timer1. Ex: CAP0.0 is P0.2 pin.

### **Capture Registers (TCR0 – TCR3 , T1CR0 – T1CR3)**

Each capture register is associated with a device pin and may be loaded with the TC value when a specified event occurs on that pin. The settings in the capture control register determine whether the capture function is enabled and whether a capture event happens on the rising edge of the associated pin, the falling edge, or both edges.

### **Capture Control Register (T0CCR,T1CCR)**

The capture control register is used to control whether one of the four Capture Registers is loaded with the value in the TC when the capture event occurs, and whether an interrupt is generated by the capture event. Setting both the rising and falling bits at the same time is a valid configuration, resulting in a capture event for both edges.



**Match Outputs : (External Match outputs )** When a match register equals the timer counter (TC), this output can either toggle, go low, go high, or do nothing. The EMR controls the functionality of this output. MAT0.0,MAT0.1,MAT0.2,MAT0.3 are the match output pins for timer0 and MAT1.0,MAT1.1,MAT1.2,MAT1.3 are the match output pins for timer1. Ex: MAT0.0 is P0.3.

**External Match Register [T0EMR,T1EMR] :** The external match register provides both control and status of the external match pins MAT(0-3). Ex: Bit[0] –External Match0 bit reflects the state of output MATn.0, whether or not this output is connected to its pin. When a match occurs between the TC and MR0, this output of the timer is can either toggle, go low, go high, or do nothing. Bits [5:4] control the functionality of this output [ 00-do nothing, 01-set the output, 10-clear the output,11-toggle the output]

**IR Register : Interrupt register.** This provides which of the eight possible interrupt sources are pending. This can be written to clear interrupts. The interrupt register consists of four bits for the match interrupts and four bits for the capture interrupts. If an interrupt is generated then the corresponding bit in the IR will be high. Otherwise, the bit will be low. Writing a logic '1' to the corresponding IR bit will reset the interrupt.



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