

**Experiment Name:** DC Motor Speed Control Using PWM and Microcontroller.

**PWM:** PWM stands for Pulse Width Modulation. A modulation technique that generates variable-width pulses to represent the amplitude of an analog input signal.

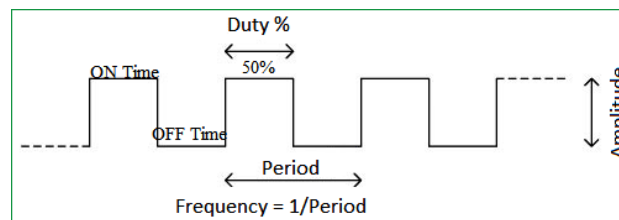
To understand PWM as a type of signal which can be produced from a digital IC such as microcontroller or 555 timer. The signal thus produced will have a train of pulses and these pulses will be in form of a square wave. That is, at any given instance of time the wave will either be high or will be low. For the ease of understanding let us consider a 5V PWM signal, in this case the PWM signal will either be 5V (high) or at ground level 0V (low). The duration at which the signals stays high is called the “on time” and the duration at which the signal stays low is called as the “off time”.

**Duty cycle of the PWM:**

As told earlier, a PWM signal stays on for a particular time and then stays off for the rest of the period. The percentage of time in which the PWM signal remains HIGH (on time) is called as duty cycle. If the signal is always ON it is in 100% duty cycle and if it is always off it is 0% duty cycle. The formulae to calculate the duty cycle is shown below.

$$\text{Duty Cycle} = \frac{\text{Turn ON time}}{(\text{Turn ON time} + \text{Turn OFF time})}$$

The following image represents a PWM signal with 50% duty cycle. As you can see, considering an entire **time period** (on time + off time) the PWM signal stays on only for 50% of the time period.



By controlling the Duty cycle from 0% to 100% we can control the “on time” of PWM signal and thus the width of signal. Since we can modulate the width of the pulse, it got its iconic name “Pulse width Modulation”

**Frequency of a PWM:**

The frequency of a PWM signal determines how fast a PWM completes one period. One Period is the complete ON and OFF time of a PWM signal as shown in the above figure. The formulae to calculate the Frequency is given below

$$\text{Frequency} = \frac{1}{\text{Time Period}}$$

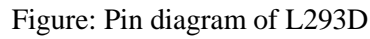
$$\text{Time Period} = \text{On time} + \text{Off time}$$

Normally the PWM signals generated by microcontroller will be around 500 Hz, such high frequencies will be used in high speed switching devices like inverters or converters. But not all applications require high frequency. For example to control a servo motor we need to produce PWM signals with 50Hz frequency, so the frequency of a PWM signal is also controllable by program for all microcontrollers.

**Features of L293D:**

- Wide Supply-Voltage Range: 4.5 V to 36 V
- Separate Input-Logic Supply
- Internal ESD Protection
- High-Noise-Immunity Inputs
- Output Current 1 A Per Channel (600 mA for L293D)

- The Pin diagram of the L293D is given below:

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**Figure: DC Motor Speed Control using PWM**

### MikroC Code:

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void main()
{
    short duty = 0; //initial value for duty

    TRISD = 0xFF; //PORTD as input
    TRISB = 0x00; //PORTB as output
    //Run motor in anticlock wise
    PORTB.F0=0xFF;
    PORTB.F1=0x00;

    PWM1_Init(1000); //Initialize PWM1
    PWM1_Start(); //start PWM1
    PWM1_Set_Duty(duty); //Set current duty for PWM1

    while (1)    // endless loop
    {
        if (RD0_bit && duty<250) //if button on RD0 pressed
        {
            Delay_ms(100);
            if (RD0_bit && duty<250)
            {
                duty = duty + 10; //increment current_duty
                PWM1_Set_Duty(duty); //Change the duty cycle
            }
        }
        if (RD1_bit && duty >0) //button on RD1 pressed
        {
            Delay_ms(100);
            if (RD1_bit && duty >0)
            {
                duty = duty - 10; //decrement duty
                PWM1_Set_Duty(duty);
            }
        }
        Delay_ms(10);    // slow down change pace a little
    }
}
```