



Team 202 Microcontroller Selection

1. Determine your project-specific requirements		3. Look up specifications in the PIC datasheet		
Design Considerations	Team Project-Specific Requirements from Problem Definition and Block Diagram	PIC16F15 256-E/ST X	PIC18F05 Q41-I/SL	PIC24FJ6 4GA702-I/ SO
How many GPIO Pins? ¹	2 I2C, 4 UART, 6 GPIO	26	12	22
Built-in Analog to Digital Converter? How many?	None	17	11	10
Built-in Hardware PWM? How many?	None	2	3	3
Built-in I2C? SPI? How many?	>=1 I2C	1 MSSP	2 SPI/1 I2C	1 SPI, 2 I2C
Built-in UART? How many?	2 UART (ESP32, and debug)	1	2	2
Other Required Built-In Features? (optional)				
Additional considerations specific to your project specifications (optional)	Amount of program memory	28k	32k	64k

¹ No PIC16F887, PIC16F917, PIC18F47Q10, or dsPICs allowed





2. Find 3 microcontrollers that and find information on each			4. Look up part details in the PIC datasheet		
Microcontroller Considerations	Instructions	PIC Option 1	PIC Option 2	PIC Option 3	
Part Number ²	Include the entire part number (leave off any letters at the end that specify the package type)	PIC16F15 256	PIC18F05 Q41	PIC24FJ6 4GA702	
Link (URL) to product page	Do not paste links directly into the table. Instead, link them like this.	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	
Links (URL) to Data Sheets		<u>Datasheet</u>	Datasheet	Datasheet	
Links (URL) to Application Notes	Often provided by manufacturers to give you specific examples of how to use their products. Search for them in the search bar on the Microchip's website.	Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	
Links (URL) to Code Examples		Microchip	Microchip	Microchip	
Links (URL) to External Resources	Search on Google and YouTube for other resources for each specific microcontroller.	Video	Forum post	Forum posts	
Production Unit Cost	Find in the Microchip online store, or Digikey	\$1.39	\$1.41	\$1.90	
Supply Voltage Range	Find in the microcontroller datasheet	1.8-5.5v	1.8-5.5v	2-3.6v	

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² General Purpose Input/Output Pins - calculate based on your block diagram and include at least 20% more than you need. Avoid using In-System Programming (ISP) pins for GPIO.





Absolute Maximum Current for entire IC	Find in the microcontroller datasheet	>=300mA	>=350mA	200mA
Maximum GPIO Pin Current (Source/Sink)	Find in the microcontroller datasheet	25mA	50mA	25mA
8-bit or 16-bit Architecture	Find in the microcontroller datasheet	8 bit	8 bit	16 bit
Available IC Packages / Footprints	microcontroller with both surface mount and SOIC28, DIP/through-hole packages available. See Most SSOP28,		SOIC28, PDIP28, QFN28, SSOP28	SOIC28, SSOP28, QFN28, UQFN28
Supports External Interrupts?	Find in the microcontroller datasheet	1 external	3 external	5 external
In-System Programming Capability and Type	Allows for programming the microcontroller without removing it from the PCB. Find in the microcontroller datasheet.	ICSP, 2 pins	ICSP, 2 pins	ICSP, 2 pins
Programming Hardware, Cost, and URL	Find on the microcontroller product page	PICkit 4. \$77	PICkit 4. \$77	PICkit 4. \$77
Works with MPLAB® X Integrated Development Environment (IDE)?	Required. See <u>Microchip Development Tools</u>		Yes	Yes





Works with Microchip Code Configurator?	Required. Go to the MCC website, click the "Manual Downloads" tab, scroll to the device library that goes with the PIC you chose (likely "MCC 8-bit PIC") and read the release notes to make sure your microcontroller is in the list of supported devices.	Yes	Yes	Yes, currently only in classic
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5. Write overall pros, cons, and rankings for the chosen microcontrollers				
Overall Pros	Write at least 2 for each microcontroller	High max current rating Supports in circuit programming	 Sufficient number of USARTs 3 external interrupts Full Classic and Melody MCC support 	 Sufficient number of USARTs 5 external interrupts Multiple I2C peripherals
Overall Cons	Write at least 2 for each microcontroller	 Low program memory size Insufficien t number of USARTs 	 Only 12 GPIO pins Only 1 I2C peripheral 	 Low max current rating Not supported in MCC Melody
Ranking	1 = first, 2 = second, 3 = third	3	2	1

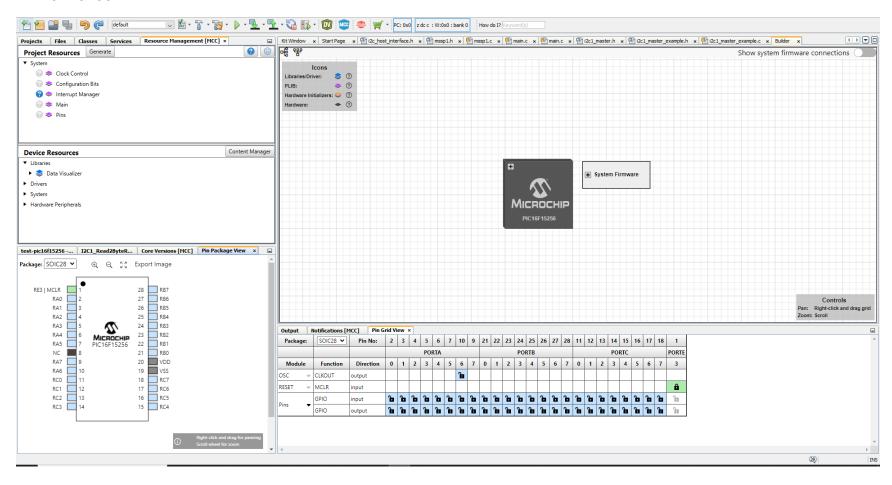
6. Final Microcontroller Choice: PIC24FJ64GA702-I/SO (28-SOIC package)

Rationale: This PIC has the largest program memory of the models evaluated and has multiple EUSART peripherals to support debugging, while keeping a small footprint and low power usage. Having multiple I2C peripherals will enable separation between sensors, if needed.



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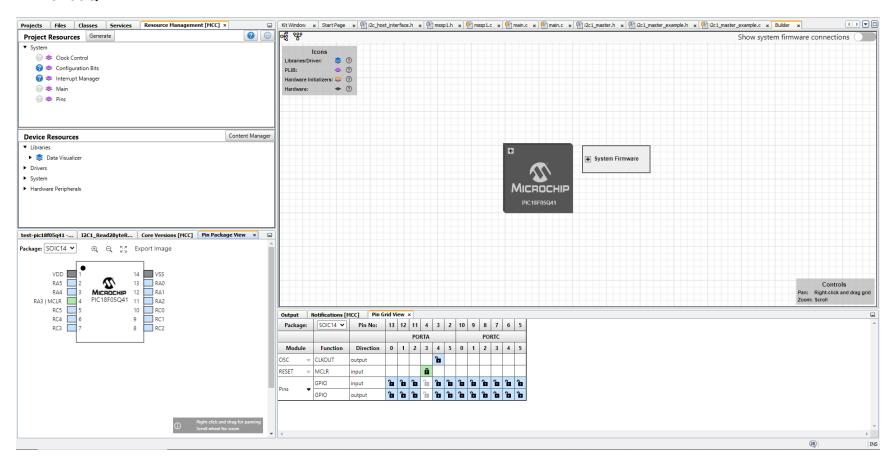
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