INTRODUCTION

The following labs are designed for Microchip's Curiosity Low Pin Count (LPC) Board. The Curiosity Development board supports 8/14/20-pin 8-bit PIC microcontrollers. The MPLAB X project that you downloaded from the Curiosity Website (http://www.microchip.com/DevelopmentTools/ProductDetails.aspx?PartNO=DM164137) contains 10 (or 11 for some devices) lab exercises that demonstrate a large number of basic capabilities of PIC® devices and can also be used to test the condition of your board. The lessons included in this document are developed for low pin count devices (20 pins and below).

This document comprises of lessons utilizing the different peripherals and features of 8-bit PIC® MCUs while demonstrating the different capabilities of the Curiosity Development Board. Each lesson contains a brief description of the lab, code snippets, and discussions to make you become easily acquainted with the different peripherals and registers of PIC® MCUs. These lessons also make use of the MPLAB Code Configurator (MCC), an easy-to-use plugin tool for MPLAB X IDE that you can use to generate codes for a more efficient use of the CPU and memory resources. All labs are written in C language and are compatible with the latest XC8 compilers.

NOTE: The MPLAB X version v4.15, XC8 compiler v1.45 and MCC v3.55 are used in the development of the labs

LESSONS

The lessons in this document are presented in the same order as they appear on the programmed labs. You can progress through each of the labs by simply pressing the S1 button of your board.

- Lesson 1: Hello World (Turn On an LED)
- Lesson 2: Blink
- Lesson 3: Rotate (Moving the Light Across LEDs)
- Lesson 4: Analog-to-Digital Conversion (ADC)
- Lesson 5: Variable Speed Rotate
- Lesson 6: Pulse-Width Modulation (PWM)
- Lesson 7: Timer1
- Lesson 8: Interrupts
- Lesson 9: Wake-up from Sleep Using Watchdog Timer
- Lesson 10: EEPROM⁽¹⁾
- Lesson 11: High-Endurance Flash (HEF)⁽¹⁾

NOTE 1: These labs may not be applicable to all devices. Some devices have EEPROM only, HEF only, both, or none of the two. See your device datasheet for supported features.

INPUTS AND DISPLAY

- **Push Button Switch** One push button switch S1 is provided on the board. S1 is connected to the PIC MCU's RC4 pin and is used to switch to the next lab.
- Potentiometer A $10k\Omega$ potentiometer POT1 is used in labs requiring analog inputs.
- LEDs The Curiosity Development Board has four red LEDs (D7 through D4) that are connected
 to I/O ports RC5, RA2, RA1 and RA5, respectively. These LEDs are used to display the output of
 the different labs.

LESSON 1: HELLO WORLD (TURN ON AN LED)

Introduction

The first lesson shows how to turn on an LED.

Hardware Effects

LED D4 will light up and stay lit.

Summary

The LEDs are connected to the input-output (I/O) pins. First, the I/O pin must be configured to be an output. In this case, when one of these pins is driven high (LED_D4 = 1), the LED will turn on. These two logic levels are derived from the power pins of the PIC MCU. Since the PIC's power pin (VDD) is connected to 5V and the source (VSS) to ground (0V), a logic level of '1' is equivalent to 5V, and a logic level of '0' is 0V.

Registers

Register	Purpose
LATx	Data latch
PORTx	Holds the status of all pins
TRISx	Determines if pins are input (1) or output (0)

LATx

The data latch (LATx registers) is useful for read-modify-write operations on the value that the I/O pins are driving. A write operation to the LATx register has the same effect as a write to the corresponding PORTx register. A read from the LATx register reads the values held in the I/O port latches.

PORTx

A read of the PORTx register reads the actual I/O pin value. Writes should be performed on the LAT register instead on the port directly.

TRISx

This register specifies the data direction of each pin.

TRIS Value	Direction
1	Input
0	Output

An easy way to remember this is that the number '1' looks like the letter 'i' for input and the number '0' looks like the letter 'o' for output.

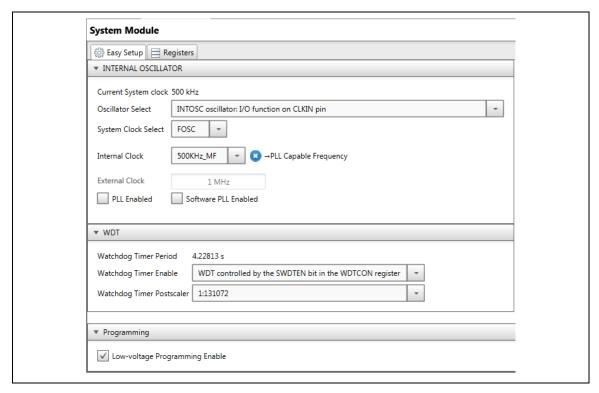
The user should always write to the LATx registers and read from the PORTx registers.

MCC Setup

System Setup

Under the Project Resource Panel, the System Module configuration can be found. <u>FIGURE 1-1</u> shows the System Module settings used in this project. Settings for watchdog timer and low-voltage programming can also be found under Easy Setup. While under Registers tab are specific registers for configuration, where the user can verify if the settings in the Easy Setup reflect those on the affected registers. The user can also set an individual bit in the configuration registers.

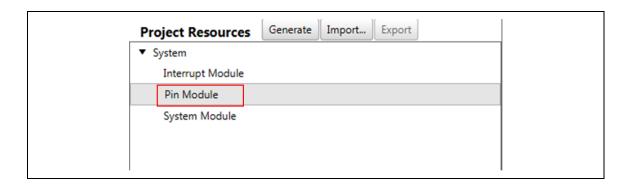
FIGURE 1-1: MCC COMPOSER AREA- SYSTEM MODULE



Setup GPIO module and pin as output

Select the Pin Module under the Project Resources Panel.

FIGURE 1-2: PROJECT RESOURCES PANEL



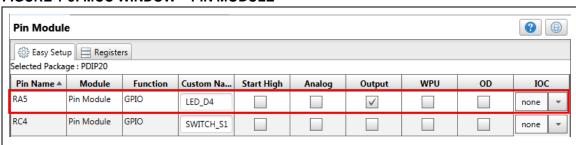
In the MCC Pin Manager tab, set RA5 as an output pin as shown in FIGURE 1-3.

Pin Manager: Package View [™] VSS VDD 20 RA5|LED D4|GPIO RA0 19 RA4 3 18 RA1 RA2 MCLR 17 RC0 RC5 16 6 RC4|SWITCH S1|GPIO 15 RC1 10945 RC2 RC3 14 RC6 RB4 8 13 9 RB5 RC7 12 RB7 RB6 10 11 Package: PDIP20 Pin No: 19 18 17 4 3 2 13 12 11 10 16 15 14 7 6 5 Port A ▼ Port B ▼ Port C ▼ Module Function Direction 0 7 7 1 2 3 4 5 4 5 0 1 2 3 4 5 GPIO Be Be 'n î. B 'n **a a** 'n ĵ. 'n ĵ. ĵ. 'n input ÎB. Pin Module ▼ GPIO output Be B 'n î: Te a ĵ. Ba Ba Te Te 6 6 6 6 'n Ba Ba RESET MCLR input ۵

FIGURE 1-3: MCC PIN MANAGER WINDOW: PACKAGE VIEW and GRID VIEW

You can also provide a custom name for a pin under Easy Setup tab.

FIGURE 1-5: MCC WINDOW - PIN MODULE



MCC Instructions

During code generation using the MPLAB Code Configurator, a pin_manager.h header file and a pin_manager.c source file are automatically created.pin_manager.h includes all the macro definitions and instructions for the different I/O pins (both analog and digital), whereas pin_manager.c includes the initialization code for these pins. Two of these macro instructions are used in this lab as shown below.

Instruction	Purpose
LED_D4_SetHigh()	Make the bit value of LED_D4 (LATA5) a '1' (5V)
LED_D4_SetLow()	Make the bit value of LED_D4 (LATA5) a '0' (0V)

EXAMPLE 1.1: SETTING A BIT INTO '1'

```
LED_D4_SetHigh();

Before Instruction:
LATA5 = 0;

After Instruction:
LATA5 = 1;
```

EXAMPLE 1.2: SETTING A BIT INTO '0'

```
LED_D4_SetLow();

Before Instruction:
LATA5 = 1;

After Instruction:
LATA5 = 0;
```

C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "Hello World" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 1.3: C CODE FOR "HELLO WORLD" LAB

```
LEDs_SetLow();

labState = RUNNING;
}

if (labState == RUNNING) {
    LED_D4_SetHigh();
}

if (switchEvent) {
    labState = NOT_RUNNING;
}
}
/**
End of File
*/
```

```
#include "../../mcc generated files/pin manager.h"
```

The header file pin_manager.h is generated automatically by the MPLAB Code Configurator (MCC). It provides implementations for pin APIs for all pins selected in the MCC GUI.

```
#include "../../labs.h"
```

This header file contains the macro definitions, variable declarations, and function prototypes necessary for the different labs in the project.

```
if (labState == NOT_RUNNING) {
    LEDs_SetLow();

    labState = RUNNING;
}
```

This statement checks whether the *HelloWorld (Lab 01)* is running or not. If the state of this lab is currently <code>NOT_RUNNING</code>, then the code above will clear all the LED PORTs and change the state of the lab to <code>RUNNING</code>.

```
if (labState == RUNNING) {
    LED_D4_SetHigh();
}
```

This statement calls the function LED_D4_SetHigh() if the state of the lab is RUNNING. LED D4 SetHigh() turns on LED D4.

```
LED_D4_SetHigh();

Equivalent:
#define LED_D4_SetHigh() do { LATA5 = 1; } while(0)
```

This function is defined in pin_manager.h under the MCC Generated Files folder. It sets the LAT register of RA5 to 1 making it "high".

```
if (switchEvent) {
    labState = NOT_RUNNING;
}
```

This statement checks if the S1 button is pressed. If the button is pressed (switchEvent = 1), the state of the lab will be changed to NOT RUNNING.

LESSON 2: BLINK

Introduction

This lesson blinks the same LED used in the previous lesson (D4).

Hardware Effects

LED D4 blinks at a rate of approximately 1.5 seconds.

Summary

One way to create a delay is to spend time decrementing a value. In assembly, the timing can be accurately programmed since the user will have direct control on how the code is executed. In 'C', the compiler takes the 'C' and compiles it into assembly before creating the file to program to the actual PIC MCU (HEX file). Because of this, it is hard to predict exactly how many instructions it takes for a line of 'C' to execute. For a more accurate timing in C, this lab uses the MCU's TIMER1 module to produce the desired delay. TIMER1 is discussed in detail in LESSON 7: TIMER1.

Registers

This utilizes Timer1 registers which will be discussed in LESSON 7: TIMER1.

MCC Instructions

Like the previous lab, this lab also uses an MCC-generated macro instruction which can be found in pin manager.h.

Instruction	Purpose
LED_D4_Toggle()	Changes the bit value of LED_D4 (LATA5) from '0' to '1', or '1' to '0'

EXAMPLE 2.1: TOGGLING A BIT

```
LED D4_Toggle();

Before Instruction:
LATA5 = 0;
After Instruction:
LATA5 = 1;

Or

Before Instruction:
LATA5 = 1;
After Instruction:
LATA5 = 0;
```

C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "Blink" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 2.2: C CODE FOR "BLINK" LAB

```
Section: Included Files
#include "../../mcc generated files/pin manager.h"
#include "../../mcc generated files/tmr1.h"
#include "../../labs.h"
/**
 Section: Macro Declaration
#define FLAG COUNTER MAX 3 // Maximum flag count to create 1.5 seconds delay
/**
 Section: Variable Declaration
static uint8 t flagCounter = 0;
                             Application
*/
void Blink(void) {
    if (labState == NOT RUNNING) {
       LEDs SetLow();
       TMR1 StartTimer();
        labState = RUNNING;
    }
    if (labState == RUNNING) {
       while(!TMR1 HasOverflowOccured());
       TMR1IF = 0;
       TMR1 Reload();
        flagCounter++;
        if (flagCounter == FLAG_COUNTER_MAX) {
           LED D4 Toggle();
           flagCounter = 0;
        }
    }
    if (switchEvent) {
       TMR1 StopTimer();
        labState = NOT RUNNING;
    }
 End of File
```

```
//
```

This starts a comment. Any of the following text on this line is ignored by the compiler.

```
#define FLAG_COUNTER_MAX 3
```

A variable 'FLAG_COUNTER_MAX' is defined with a constant decimal value of '3'.

```
static uint8_t flagCounter;
```

A static variable 'counter' is declared.

```
if (labState == NOT_RUNNING) {
    LEDs_SetLow();
    TMR1_StartTimer();
    labState = RUNNING;
}
```

The MCC-generated macro <code>TMR1_StartTimer()</code> is used to start Timer1 and all LEDs are initially turned off. If the state of the lab is <code>RUNNING</code>, the program will first wait for the Timer1 flag (for approximately 500 ms) to be set before executing the next instructions, and will reload the same value of 500 ms to the Timer1 (see <code>LESSON 7: TIMER1</code>).

```
if (labState == RUNNING) {
    while(!TMR1_HasOverflowOccured());
    TMR1IF = 0;
    TMR1_Reload();
    flagCounter++;

    if (flagCounter == FLAG_COUNTER_MAX) {
        LED_D4_Toggle();
        flagCounter = 0;
    }
}
```

The static variable 'flagCounter' increments every time 'TMR1IF' is set until it reaches a value equal to 'OVERFLOW' which is previously defined as a variable having a constant value of '3'. This signifies that Timer1 has overflowed after 500 ms three times for a total of 1.5 secs, before LED D4 is toggled. 'flagCounter' is then reset to '0' and the process is repeated.

```
LED_D4_Toggle();

Equivalent:
#define LED_D4_Toggle()      do { LATA5 = ~LATA5; } while(0)
```

This function is defined in pin_manager.h under the MCC Generated Files folder. It writes the complement of the previously written logic state on the RA5 PORT data latch (LATA5), making the pin "high" if previously "low" or vice versa.

LESSON 3: ROTATE (MOVING THE LIGHT ACROSS LEDS)

Introduction

This lesson is built on Lessons 1 and 2, which showed how to light up a LED and then make it blink using loops. This lesson incorporates four onboard LEDs (D4, D5, D6 and D7) and the program will light up each LED in turn.

Hardware Effects

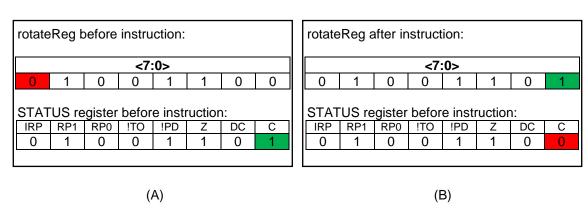
LEDs D4, D5, D6 and D7 light up in turn every 500 milliseconds. Once D7 is lit, D4 lights up and the pattern repeats.

Summary

In C, we use Binary Left Shift and Right Shift Operators (<< and >>, respectively) to move bits around in the registers. The shift operations are 9-bit operations involving the 8-bit register being manipulated and the Carry bit in the STATUS register as the ninth bit. With the rotate instructions, the register contents are rotated through the Carry bit.

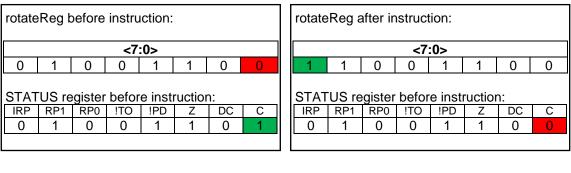
For example, for a certain register rotateReg, if we want to push a '1' into the LSB of the register and have the rest of the bits shift to the left, we can use the Binary Left Shift Operator (<<). We would first have to set up the Carry bit with the value that we want to push into the register before we execute shift instruction, as seen in FIGURE 3-1A. The result of the operation is seen in FIGURE 3-1B.

FIGURE 3-1: LEFT SHIFT BINARY OPERATION



Similarly, if we want to push a '1' into the MSB of the register and have the rest of the bits shift to the right, we can use the Binary Right Shift Operator (>>). We would first have to set up the Carry bit with the value that we want to push into the register before we execute shift instruction, as seen in **FIGURE 3.2B**.

FIGURE 3-2: RIGHT SHIFT BINARY OPERATION



(A) (B)

New Register

Register	Purpose
STATUS	Multi-purpose; depends on which bits are accessed.

STATUS

The STATUS register contains the arithmetic status of the ALU (Arithmetic Logic Unit), the Reset status and the bank select bits for data memory. For more details, please see the device datasheet.

STATUS Register <7:0>							
IRP	RP1	RP0	$\overline{\text{TO}}$	$\overline{\text{PD}}$	Z	DC	С

- Bit 7: IRP Register Bank Select Bit
- Bit 6-5: RP<1:0> Register Bank Select
- Bit 4: TO Time Out bit
- Bit 3: PD Power Down bit
- Bit 2: Z Zero bit
- Bit 1: DC Digit Carry bit
- Bit 0: C Carry bit

C Language

A sample C code using binary shift operators is provided below.

EXAMPLE 3.1: SAMPLE C CODE FOR BINARY SHIFT OPERATORS

```
/**
   Section: Included Files
   */

#include "../../mcc_generated_files/pin_manager.h"
#include "../../labs.h"

/**
   Section: Local Variable Declarations
   */
static uint8_t rotateReg;
```

```
Application
 */
void Rotate(void) {
    if (labState == NOT RUNNING) {
        LEDs SetLow();
        LED D4 SetHigh();
        //Initialize temporary register to begin at 1
        rotateReg = 1;
        labState = RUNNING;
    }
    if (labState == RUNNING) {
        __delay_ms(500);
        rotateReq <<= 1;</pre>
        //If the last LED has been lit, restart the pattern
        if (rotateReg == LAST)
            rotateReg = 1;
        //Determine which LED will light up
        //{\rm ie.} which bit in the register the 1 has rotated to.
        LED D4 LAT = rotateReg & 1;
        LED D5 LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;
        LED D6 LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;
        LED D7 LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
    }
    if (switchEvent) {
        labState = NOT RUNNING;
    }
/**
 End of File
```

```
LED_D4_LAT = rotateReg & 1;

LED_D5_LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;

LED_D6_LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;

LED_D7_LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
```

The above statements are used to reflect the value stored in rotateReg onto the LEDs. The bitwise AND operator is used to determine whether the LEDs output is high or low. Then the bits are shifted with respect to its position. The following shows how the bitwise AND operation reflects the value of rotateReg (0b1000 in this example) onto the LEDs.

```
LED D5_LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;
rotateReg: 1000
2 : & 0010
         0000
>> 1 : 0000
_____
LED D5 LAT : 0000 (OFF)
LED D6_LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;
rotateReg: 1000
4 : & 0100
        0000
>> 2 : 0000
_____
LED D6 LAT : 0000 (OFF)
LED D7_LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
rotateReg: 1000
8 : & 1000
         1000
>> 3 : 0001
LED D7_LAT : 0001 (ON)
```

LESSON 4: ANALOG-TO-DIGITAL CONVERSION (ADC)

Introduction

This lesson shows how to configure the ADC, run a conversion, read the analog voltage controlled by the on-board potentiometer (POT1), and display the high order four bits on the display.

Hardware Effects

The top four MSBs of the ADC are reflected onto the LEDs. Rotate the potentiometer to change the display.

Summary

PIC devices have an on-board Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC) with 10 bits of resolution on any of 12 the channels available (*Note: The resolution and channels vary amongst the devices. Refer to the datasheet.*). The converter can be referenced to the device's VDD or an external voltage reference. This lesson references it to VDD. The result from the ADC is represented by a ratio of the voltage to the reference.

EQUATION 4-1: ADC WITH 10-BIT RESOLUTION

$$ADC = (V/V_{REF})*1023$$

Converting the answer from the ADC back to voltage requires solving for V.

$$V = (ADC/1023)*V_{REF}$$

Here's the checklist for this lesson:

- 1. Configure the ADC pin as an analog input.
- 2. Select ADC clock.
- 3. Select channel, result justification, and V_{REF} source.

Register

Register	Purpose
ANSELx	Determines if the pin is digital or analog.

ANSELx

The ANSELx register determines whether the pin is a digital (1 or 0) or analog (varying voltage) I/O. I/O pins configured as analog input have their digital input detectors disabled and therefore always read '0' and allow analog functions on the pin to operate correctly. The state of the ANSELx bits has no effect on digital output functions. When setting a pin to an analog input, the corresponding TRISx bit must be set to input mode in order to allow external control of the voltage on the pin.

This lesson sets RC0 as an analog input since the potentiometer (POT1) will vary the voltage.

FIGURE 4-1: MCC WINDOW - ADC MODULE

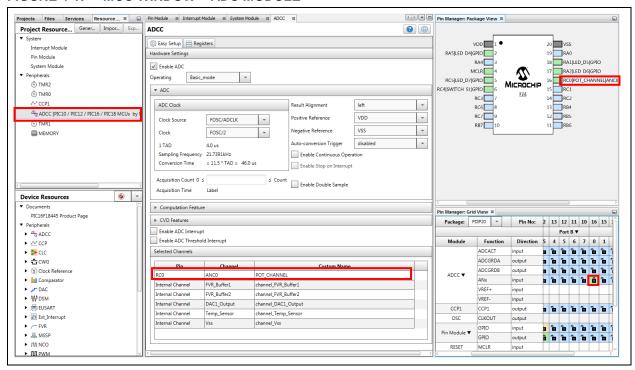
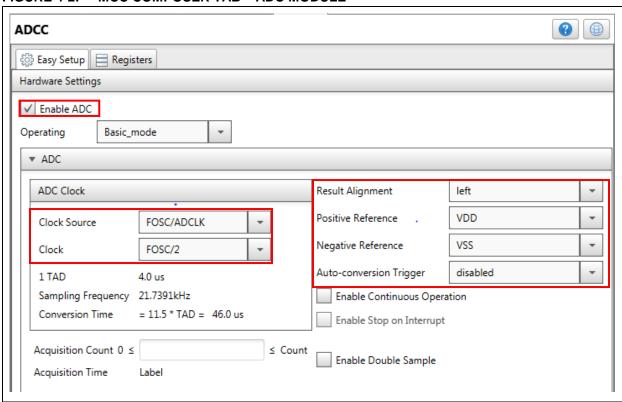


FIGURE 4-2: MCC COMPOSER TAB - ADC MODULE



MCC Instructions

Instruction	Purpose
ADC_Initialize() ADCC_Initialize()	Initialize the ADC module
<pre>adc_result_t ADC_GetConversion(adc_channel_t channel)</pre>	This routine is used to select the
uint16_t ADCC_GetConversion(adcc_channel_t channel)	desired channel for conversion and to get the result of ADC.

C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "ADC" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 4.1: C CODE FOR "ADC" LAB

```
Section: Included Files
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/pin_manager.h"
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/adcc.h"
#include "../../labs.h"
/**
 Section: Local Variable Declaration
static uint8 t adcResult; // Used to store the result of the ADC
/*
                              Application
* /
void ADC(void) {
    if (labState == NOT RUNNING) {
        LEDs_SetLow();
        labState = RUNNING;
    }
    if (labState == RUNNING) {
        //Get the top 4 MSBs and display it on the LEDs
        adcResult = ADCC GetSingleConversion(POT CHANNEL) >> 12;
        //Determine which LEDs will light up
        LED D4 LAT = adcResult & 1;
        LED D5 LAT = (adcResult & 2) >> 1;
        LED D6 LAT = (adcResult & 4) >> 2;
        LED D7 LAT = (adcResult & 8) >> 3;
```

```
if (switchEvent) {
    labState = NOT_RUNNING;
}

/**
End of File
*/
```

```
adcResult = ADCC GetSingleConversion(POT CHANNEL) >> 12;
ADCC_GetSingleConversion(POT_CHANNEL) Equivalent:
adc result t ADCC GetSingleConversion(adcc channel t channel)
    // select the A/D channel
    ADPCH = channel;
    // Turn on the ADC module
    ADCONObits.ADON = 1;
    //Disable the continuous mode.
    ADCONObits.ADCONT = 0;
    // Start the conversion
    ADCONObits.ADGO = 1;
    // Wait for the conversion to finish
    while (ADCONObits.ADGO)
        CLRWDT();
    }
    // Conversion finished, return the result
    return ((adc_result_t)((ADRESH << 8) + ADRESL));</pre>
```

The function <code>ADCC_GetSingleConversion()</code> is generated automatically by the MCC. It selects the ADC channel, turns on the ADC module, sets up the acquisition time delay, starts the conversion, and returns the result of the conversion. The result of the conversion is stored in the <code>adc_result_t</code>, which is defined as "unsigned 16-bit integer" in <code>adc.h</code>. Then the bits of the <code>adcResult</code> are shifted to the right by 12 places so that only the top 4 MSBs are left.

The following shows how the top 4 MSBs are extracted from the result of the conversion.

Initia	lizati	on:									
adc_	resu	ılt_t	;								
			<1	5:8>				<7	:0>		

After the initialization, adc_result_t is still empty and waiting for the conversion to be finished.

After	conv	ersio	n:												
adc_	resu	lt_t													
ADRESH <15:8>									A F		1 7	Δ.			
		AD	RESI	┪<15	:8>					AL	DRES	L :</th <th>U></th> <th></th> <th></th>	U>		
1	0	AD	RESI 1	1 <15 0	0	1	1	1	1	1 1	0 0	0	0>	0	1

Once the conversion is done, the content of ADRESH and ADRESL are stored in adc_result_t. In this illustration, let's say that the value of ADRESH is 0b10110011 and ADRESL is 0b11100101.

After	shift	ing:													
adcR	esul	t	4.5					ı							
			<15	5:8>							<7 :	:0>			
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1

Shifting the value of adcResult 12 places to the right leaves us only with the top 4 MSBs which is 0b1011.

```
LED_D4_LAT = adcResult & 1;
LED_D5_LAT = (adcResult & 2) >> 1;
LED_D6_LAT = (adcResult & 4) >> 2;
LED_D7_LAT = (adcResult & 8) >> 3;
```

These statements are used to reflect the value stored in adcResult onto the LEDs. The Bitwise AND operator is used to determine whether the LEDs output is high or low. Then the bits are shifted with respect to its position. The following shows the bitwise AND operation on how the value of adcResult (1011) is reflected to the LEDs.

LESSON 5: VARIABLE SPEED ROTATE

Introduction

This lesson combines all of the previous lessons to produce a variable speed rotating LED display that is proportional to the ADC value. The ADC value and LED rotate speed are inversely proportional to each other.

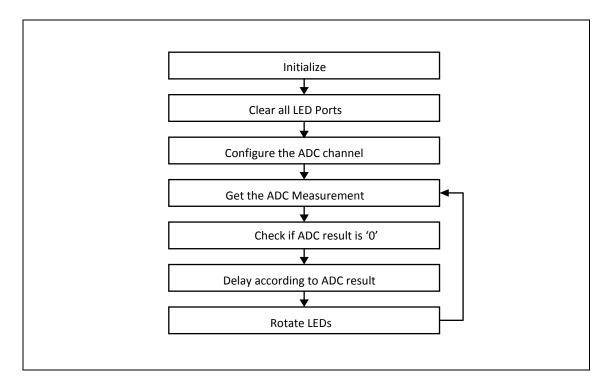
Hardware Effects

Rotate POT1 counterclockwise to see the LEDs shift faster.

Summary

A crucial step in this lesson is to check if the ADC value is 0. If it does not perform the zero check, and the ADC result is zero, the LEDs will rotate at an incorrect speed. This is an effect of the delay value underflowing from 0 to 255.

FIGURE 5-1: PROGRAM FLOW



C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "Variable Speed Rotate" lab is provided below.

Example 5.1: C CODE FOR "VSR" LAB

```
Section: Included Files
#include "../../mcc generated files/pin manager.h"
#include "../../mcc generated files/adcc.h"
#include "../../labs.h"
 Section: Local Variable Declarations
static uint8 t delay;
static uint8 t rotateReg;
                             Application
* /
void VSR(void) {
    if(labState == NOT RUNNING) {
        LEDs_SetLow();
        //Initialize temporary register to begin at 1
        rotateReg = 1;
        labState = RUNNING;
    }
    if (labState == RUNNING) {
        // Use the top 8 MSbs of the ADC result as delay
        delay = ADCC GetSingleConversion(POT CHANNEL) >> 8;
        __delay_ms(5);
        // Decrement the 8 MSbs of the ADC and delay each for 2ms
        while (delay-- != 0) {
           __delay_ms(2);
        //Determine which LED will light up
        LED D4 LAT = rotateReg & 1;
        LED D5 LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;
        LED D6 LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;
        LED D7 LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
        rotateReg = rotateReg << 1 ;</pre>
        //Return to initial position of LED
        if (rotateReg == LAST) {
           rotateReg = 1;
        }
```

```
if(switchEvent) {
        labState = NOT_RUNNING;
    }
}
/**
End of File
*/
```

delay = adcResult = ADCC_GetSingleConversion(POT_CHANNEL) >> 8;

At RUNNING state, the 8 MSbs of the value resulting from the ADC is stored in a static variable 'delay' which determines the speed of rotation.

```
__delay_ms(5);

//Delay 2 ms until delay decrements to 0
while (delay-- != 0) {
    __delay_ms(2);
}
```

When the minimum delay of 5 ms elapsed, the 'delay' variable decrements until it reaches '0'. After which, another delay of 2 ms is implemented before the code for rotation is executed.

LESSON 6: PULSE-WIDTH MODULATION (PWM)

Introduction

In this lesson, the PIC MCU generates a PWM signal that lights an LED with the POT1 thereby controlling the brightness.

Hardware Effects

Rotating potentiometer POT1 will adjust the brightness of LED D7.

Summary

Pulse-Width Modulation (PWM) is a scheme that provides power to a load by switching quickly between fully ON and fully OFF states. The PWM signal resembles a square wave where the high portion of the signal is considered the ON state and the low portion of the signal is considered the OFF state. The high portion, also known as the pulse width, can vary in time and is defined in steps. A longer, high ON time will illuminate the LED brighter. The frequency or period of the PWM does not change. The PWM period is defined as the duration of one cycle or the total amount of ON and OFF time combined. Another important term to take note is the PWM duty cycle which is the ratio of the pulse width to the period and is often expressed in percentage. A lower duty cycle corresponds to less power applied and a higher duty cycle corresponds to more power applied.

It is recommended that the reader refer to the Capture/Compare/PWM section in the data sheet to learn about each register. This lesson will briefly cover how to setup a single PWM.

The PWM period is specified by the PRx register. Timer 2/4/6 is used to count up to the value in CCPRxH combined with two LSBs in CCPxCON. CCPRxL is used to load CCPRxH. One can think of CCPRxL as a buffer which can be read or written to, but CCPRxH is read-only. When the timer is equal to PRx, the following three events occur on the next increment cycle:

- 1. TMRx is cleared
- 2. The CCPx pin is set
- 3. The PWM duty cycle is latched from CCPRxL into CCPRxH

Registers

Register	Purpose
CCPxCON	Sets the mode to be used
CCPRxL	Buffer for the 8 MSB of the duty cycle
CCPRxH	Holds the 8 MSB of the duty cycle
TxCON	Sets the Timer2/4/6 control settings
PRx	Sets the PWM period
TMRx	Timer2/4/6 register that increments from 00h on each clock edge and resets to 00h when its value matches with the PRx register.

CCP Module Registers

CCPxCON

The CCPxCON control register contains the bits needed to determine the mode to be used (Capture, Compare or PWM mode).

CCPRxL

CCPRxL contains the eight MSbs of the Duty Cycle and the DCxB bits of the CCPxCON register contain the two LSbs. This register can be written anytime during the period.

CCPRxH

The duty cycle value is not latched into CCPRxH until after the period completes (i.e., a match between PRx and TMRx registers occurs). While using the PWM, the CCPRxH register is read-only.

Timer2/4/6 Module Registers

The 'x' variable used in the following registers is used to designate Timer2, Timer4, or Timer6. For example, TxCON references T2CON, T4CON, or T6CON.

TxCON

TxCON contains the timer prescale and postscale bits as well as the TMRxON bit which starts incrementing TMRx when set to '1'.

PRx

The PWM period is specified by the PR2 register.

TMRx

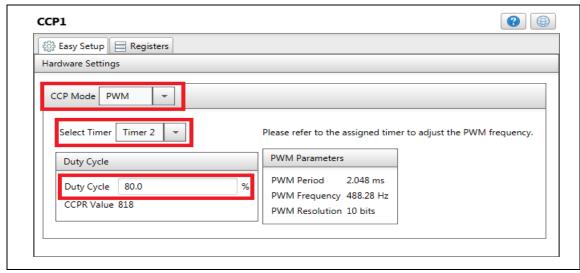
When TMRx is equal with PRx, TMRx is cleared, CCPx pin is set and CCPRxL is latched into CCPRxH.

<u>FIGURE 6-1</u> and <u>FIGURE 6-2</u> show how to configure both the Timer2 and CCP modules for standard PWM operation. Take note that some devices have independent PWM modules instead of a CCP module.

? TMR1 Easy Setup Registers Hardware Settings ✓ Enable Timer Timer Clock Timer Period Clock Source FOSC/4 Timer Period 8 us ≤ 500 ms ≤ 524.288 ms External Frequency ≤ 0xFFFF 32.768 kHz Period count 0x0 ≤ 0xBDC Calculated Period 500 ms 1:1 -✓ Enable Synchronization Enable Gate Enable Oscillator Circuit Enable Gate Toggle Gate Signal Source T1G_pin ~ Enable Gate Single-Pulse mode Gate Polarity Enable Timer Interrupt Enable Timer Gate Interrupt Software Settings Callback Function Rate x Time Period = 0.0 ns

FIGURE 6-1: MCC WINDOW - TMR2 MODULE

FIGURE 6-2: MCC WINDOW - CCP1: PWM MODULE



EQUATION 6-1: PWM RESOLUTION

$$\textit{Resolution} = \frac{log[4(PRx+1)]}{log2} \ \textit{bits}$$

Two conditions must hold true for this lesson:

- 1. 10 bits of resolution
- 2. No flicker in LED

MCC Instructions

Instruction	Purpose
TMR2_Initialize()	Initializes the TMR2
<pre>TMR2_StartTimer()</pre>	Starts the TMR2 operation
<pre>TMR1_StopTimer()</pre>	Stops the TMR2 operation
PWM1_Initialize()	Initialize the CCP module in PWM mode
PWM1_LoadDutyValue(uint16_t	Loads the Duty cycle value in the correct
dutyValue)	registers.

C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "PWM" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 6.1: C CODE FOR "PWM" LAB

```
/**
   Section: Included Files
   */
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/pin_manager.h"
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/adc.h"
```

```
#include "../../mcc generated files/pwm1.h"
#include "../../mcc generated files/tmr2.h"
#include "../../labs.h"
 Section: Local Function Prototypes
* /
void PWM_Output_D7_Enable(void);
void PWM_Output_D7_Disable(void);
/**
 Section: Local Variable Declarations
static uint16 t adcResult;
                             Application
*/
void PWM(void) {
   if (labState == NOT RUNNING) {
       LEDs SetLow();
       PWM_Output_D7_Enable();
       TMR2 StartTimer();
       labState = RUNNING;
   }
   if (labState == RUNNING) {
       adcResult = ADC GetConversion(POT CHANNEL) >> 6;
       PWM1 LoadDutyValue(adcResult);
   if (switchEvent) {
       TMR2 StopTimer();
       PWM Output D7 Disable();
       labState = NOT RUNNING;
   }
}
void PWM Output D7 Enable(void) {
   // Set D7 as the output of PWM1
   RC5PPS = 0x0C;
void PWM_Output_D7_Disable(void) {
   // Restore D7 as a normal I/O pin
   RC5PPS = 0x00;
/**
End of File
```

```
PWM_Output_D7_Enable();
```

Equivalent:

RC5PPS = 0x0C;

This code is for the Peripheral Pin Select module that sets LED_D7(RC5) as an output for the PWM module.

```
adcResult = ADC_GetConversion(POT_CHANNEL) >> 6;
```

This statement gets the ADC result from the POT1 channel. Since the ADC module is configured to be left-justified and has a 10-bit resolution, the result is written to the upper 10 bits of the 16-bit return value of ADC_GetConversion(POT_CHANNEL). The result is shifted 6 bits to the right to copy the 10-bit ADC result to the lower 10 bits of the adcResult variable.

```
PWM1 LoadDutyValue(adcResult);
```

This uses the adcResult as the PWM duty cycle value. This function writes the 8 MSBs and 2 LSBs of the PWM duty cycle to the CPPRL and CCPCON registers, respectively.

```
TMR2 StopTimer();
```

This function stops the Timer2 module by clearing the TMR2ON bit of the T2CON register.

```
PWM_Output_D7_Enable();
```

Equivalent:

RC5PPS = 0x0C;

This code restores RC5 as a normal output pin.

LESSON 7: TIMER1

Introduction

This lesson will produce the same output as <u>LESSON 3: ROTATE</u>. The only difference is that this version uses Timer1 to provide the delay routine.

Hardware Effects

LEDs rotate from right to left, similar to Lesson 3.

Summary

Timer1 is a counter module that uses two 8-bit paired registers (TMR1H:TMR1L) to implement a 16-bit timer/counter in the processor. It may be used to count instruction cycles or external events that occur at or below the instruction cycle rate.

This lesson configures Timer1 to count instruction cycles and to set a flag when it rolls over. This frees up the processor to do meaningful work rather than wasting instruction cycles in a timing loop. Using a counter provides a convenient method of measuring time or delay loops as it allows the processor to work on other tasks rather than counting instruction cycles.

Registers

Register	Purpose
T1CON	Sets the timer enable, Prescaler, and clock source bits
TMR1H:TMR1L	16-bit timer/counter register pair
PIR1	Contains the Timer1 flag bit

T1CON

The Timer1 control register contains the bits needed to enable the timer, set-up the Prescaler and clock source. TMR1ON turns the timer either ON or OFF. The T1CKPS<1:0> bits are used to set the Prescaler, while TMR1CS<1:0> bits select the clock source.

TMR1H:TMR1L

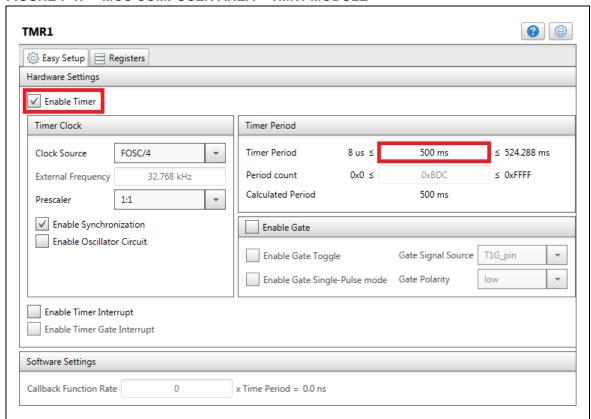
TMR1H and TMR1L are 8-bit registers that form a 16-bit timer/counter register pair. This timer/counter increments from a defined value until it reaches a value of 65536 or 0xFFFF each, and overflows. An overflow will set the Timer1 flag bit 'high' and trigger an interrupt when enabled.

PIR1

This register contains TMR1IF, an interrupt flag that will be set to 'High' whenever Timer1 overflows.

When using MCC, select TMR1 from the list of modules and configure the respective settings as shown in **FIGURE 7-1**. After generating the source codes, new functions will be made available.

FIGURE 7-1: MCC COMPOSER AREA – TMR1 MODULE



MCC Instructions

Instruction	Purpose
TMR1_Initialize()	Initializes the TMR1
<pre>TMR1_StartTimer()</pre>	Starts the TMR1 operation
<pre>TMR1_StopTimer()</pre>	Stops the TMR1 operation
<pre>TMR1_Reload()</pre>	Reloads the TMR1 register

C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "Timer1" lab is provided below.

Example 7.1: C CODE FOR "TIMER1" LAB

```
/**
  Section: Included Files
  */
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/pin_manager.h"
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/tmr1.h"
#include "../../labs.h"
/**
```

```
Section: Local Variable Declarations
* /
static uint8 t rotateReg;
                             Application
*/
void Timer1(void) {
   if (labState == NOT RUNNING) {
       LEDs SetLow();
       LED D4 SetHigh();
        //Initialize temporary register to begin at 1
        rotateReg = 1;
       TMR1 StartTimer();
       labState = RUNNING;
   }
   if (labState == RUNNING) {
       while(!TMR1 HasOverflowOccured());
       TMR1IF = 0;
       TMR1 Reload();
       rotateReg = rotateReg << 1;</pre>
       //Return to initial position of LED
        if (rotateReg == LAST) {
           rotateReg = 1;
        }
        //Determine which LED will light up
       LED D4 LAT = rotateReg & 1;
       LED D5 LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;
       LED D6 LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;
       LED D7 LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
   }
   if (switchEvent) {
       TMR1 StopTimer();
       labState = NOT RUNNING;
   }
End of File
```

```
TMR1_StartTimer();
Equivalent:
void TMR1_StartTimer(void)
{
    // Start the Timer by writing to TMRxON bit
    T1CONbits.TMR1ON = 1;
}
```

This function simply starts the Timer1 module of the PIC MCU by setting the TMR1ON bit of the T1CON register.

```
while(!TMR1 HasOverflowOccured());
```

This statement waits for the Timer1 to overflow and its corresponding flag to set.

```
TMR1 Reload();
Equivalent:
void TMR1 Reload(void)
    TMR1 WriteTimer(timer1ReloadVal);
void TMR1 WriteTimer(uint16 t timerVal)
    if (T1CONbits.nT1SYNC == 1)
        // Stop the Timer by writing to TMRxON bit
        T1CONbits.TMR1ON = 0;
        // Write to the Timer1 register
        TMR1H = (timerVal >> 8);
        TMR1L = timerVal;
        // Start the Timer after writing to the register
        T1CONbits.TMR1ON =1;
    }
    else
        // Write to the Timer1 register
        TMR1H = (timerVal >> 8);
        TMR1L = timerVal;
    }
```

As TMR1IF bit is set, TMR1H and TMR1L are cleared. These registers need to reload its initial value stated in timer1ReloadVal at TMR1_Initialize() for the delay to be consistent.


```
TMR1IF = 0;
```

TMR1IF bit is then cleared for the next cycle of Timer1.

```
TMR1_StopTimer();
Equivalent:
void TMR1_StopTimer(void)
{
    // Stop the Timer by writing to TMRxON bit
        T1CONbits.TMR1ON = 0;
}
```

This disables the use of Timer1 for the next labs.

LESSON 8: INTERRUPTS

Introduction

This lesson discusses all about interrupts – its purpose, capabilities and how to set them up. Most interrupts are sourced from MCU peripheral modules. Some I/O pins can also be configured to generate interrupts whenever a change in state is detected. Interrupts usually signal events that require servicing by the software's Interrupt Service Routine (ISR). Once an interrupt occurs, the program counter immediately jumps to the ISR and once the Interrupt Flag is cleared, resumes what it was doing before. It is a rather more efficient way of watching out for events than continuously polling a bit or register.

Hardware Effects

LEDs D4, D5, D6 and D7 rotate from left to right at a constant rate of 499.712 ms.

Summary

This lab demonstrates the advantage of using interrupts over polling. An interrupt is generated whenever the Timer0 register reaches 0xFF and goes back to reset value. This indicates that 500 ms has passed and it is time to rotate the light. This interrupt is serviced by the TMR0_ISR() function. Note that this is the same for <u>LESSON 7: TIMER1</u> but this time, we are not continuously watching the TMR1IF flag.

Register

Register	Purpose
INTCON	Contains the various enable and flag bits for
	the usual interrupt sources.

Note: INTCON register bit assignments vary from device to device. Please check the datasheet of your device for more details.

INTCON Register <7:0>				
GIE PEIE TMR0IE INTE IOCIE TMR0IF INTF IOCIF				

- Bit 7 : GIE Global Interrupt Enable Bit
- Bit 6 : PEIE Peripheral Interrupt Enable Bit
- Bit 5 : TMR0IE Timer0 Interrupt Enable Bit
- Bit 4: INTE INT External Interrupt Enable Bit
- Bit 3: IOCIE Interrupt-on-change Enable Bit
- Bit 2 : TMR0IF Timer0 Overflow Interrupt Flag Bit
- Bit 1: INTF INT External Interrupt Flag Bit
- Bit 0 : IOCIF Interrupt-on-change Flag Bit

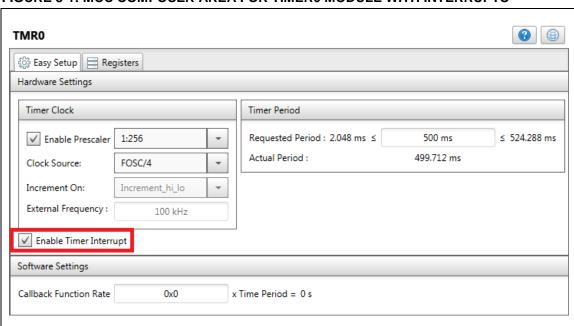


FIGURE 8-1: MCC COMPOSER AREA FOR TIMERO MODULE WITH INTERRUPTS

MCC Instructions

Instruction	Purpose	
INTERRUPT_GlobalInterruptEnable()	Enables Global Interrupts by setting the GIE bit.	
<pre>INTERRUPT_PeripheralInterruptEnable()</pre>	Enables Peripheral Interrupts by setting the PEIE bit.	
<pre>INTERRUPT_GlobalInterruptDisable()</pre>	Disables Global Interrupts by clearing the GIE bit	
<pre>INTERRUPT_PeripheralInterruptDisable()</pre>	Disables Peripheral Interrupts by clearing the PEIE bit	

C Language

The codes below demonstrate how to set up interrupts for Timer0 peripheral. Please note that different peripherals have different set-up procedures. This can be taken care of by the MCC for you. Please refer to the datasheet of your device if you wish to set them up manually.

Main Program and Set-up

```
/**
Section: Included Files

*/

#include "../../mcc_generated_files/pin_manager.h"

#include "../../mcc_generated_files/interrupt_manager.h"

#include "../../mcc_generated_files/tmr0.h"
```

```
#include "../../labs.h"
 Section: Local Function Prototypes
void LAB ISR (void);
/**
 Section: Local Variable Declarations
static uint8 t rotateReg;
/*
                            Application
*/
void Interrupt(void) {
   if (labState == NOT_RUNNING) {
       LEDs SetLow();
       LED D4 SetHigh();
       rotateReg = 1;
        INTERRUPT GlobalInterruptEnable();
        INTERRUPT PeripheralInterruptEnable();
        INTERRUPT TMR0InterruptEnable();
        TMR0_SetInterruptHandler(LAB_ISR);
       labState = RUNNING;
   }
   if (labState == RUNNING) {
       // Do nothing. Just wait for an interrupt event
   if (switchEvent) {
       INTERRUPT TMR0InterruptDisable();
        INTERRUPT GlobalInterruptDisable();
       INTERRUPT_PeripheralInterruptDisable();
       labState = NOT RUNNING;
   }
}
void LAB ISR(void) {
   //If the last LED has been lit, restart the pattern
   if (rotateReg == 1) {
       rotateReg = LAST;
   }
   rotateReg >>= 1;
```

```
//Check which LED should be lit
LED_D4_LAT = rotateReg & 1;
LED_D5_LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;
LED_D6_LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;
LED_D7_LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
}

/**
End of File
*/
```

```
INTERRUPT_GlobalInterruptEnable();
INTERRUPT_PeripheralInterruptEnable();
```

These are MCC-defined functions that enable the Global and Peripheral Interrupts, respectively. This is equivalent to setting the GIE and PEIE bits in the INTCON register. The user should always disable these functions before transferring to labs which do not require interrupt events.

```
INTERRUPT_TMR0InterruptEnable();
Equivalent:
TMR0IE = 1;

INTERRUPT_TMR0InterruptDisable();
Equivalent:
TMR0IE = 1;
```

These lines enable and disable interrupts to occur every time Timer0 overflows.

```
TMR0_SetInterruptHandler(LAB_ISR);
Equivalent:

void TMR0_SetInterruptHandler(void (* InterruptHandler) (void)) {
    TMR0_InterruptHandler = InterruptHandler; }
```

 ${\tt TMR0_SetInterruptHandler()} \ \ is \ \ an \ \ MCC-generated \ \ function \ \ that \ \ implements \ \ a \ \ function \ \ pointer \ as \ a parameter. \ \ Using \ {\tt LAB_ISR} \ \ as \ the \ argument \ for this function \ means that \ the \ program \ \ will \ \ execute \ \ the \ \ {\tt LAB_ISR()} \ \ code \ \ whenever \ \ TimerO \ \ generates \ \ an \ \ interrupt \ \ on \ \ overflow \ \ (see \ \ Section \ \ TMRO_ISR) \ .$

 ${\tt LAB_ISR}$ () includes the routine for LED rotate from left to right which is similar to **Rotate lab** except it rotates at the opposite direction.

Interrupt Service Routine

```
#include "interrupt_manager.h"
#include "mcc.h"

void interrupt INTERRUPT_InterruptManager (void)
{
    // interrupt handler
    if(INTCONbits.TMR0IE == 1 && INTCONbits.TMR0IF == 1)
```

```
TMR0_ISR();
} else
{
    //Unhandled Interrupt
}
```

If any interrupts occur, the program will jump to this subroutine and identify which interrupt occurred by checking which flag is set and if the corresponding enable bit is set. If both conditions are met, it would proceed to the function designated to handle the interrupt. Shown below is the MCC-generated interrupt manager.c code.

Timer0 Overflow Interrupt Handler (TMR0_ISR)

```
void TMR0_ISR(void)
{
    // Clear the TMR0 interrupt flag
    INTCONbits.TMR0IF = 0;

    TMR0 = timer0ReloadVal;

    if(TMR0_InterruptHandler)
    {
        TMR0_InterruptHandler();
    }
    // add your TMR0 interrupt custom code
}
```

When using MCC to set up interrupts, the ISR function is generated with the source file of the peripheral (i.e. Timer0 ISR function is found in tmr0.c).

LESSON 9: WAKE-UP FROM SLEEP USING WATCHDOG TIMER

Introduction

This lesson will introduce the Sleep mode. SLEEP () function is used to put the device into a low power standby mode.

Hardware Effects

Once this lab is on RUNNING state, the watchdog timer will start counting. While in Sleep mode, LEDs D4/D6 and LEDs D5/D7 are turned ON and OFF, respectively. Pressing the switch won't go to the next lab since the PIC is in Sleep mode. After the watchdog timer has reached its period, which is approximately 4 seconds for this lab, the PIC exits sleep mode and the four LEDs, D4 through D7, are toggled.

Summary

The Power-Down mode is entered by executing the SLEEP instruction. Upon entering Sleep mode, there are different conditions that can exist such as:

- WDT will be cleared but keeps running, if enabled for operation during Sleep.
- PD bit of the STATUS register is cleared.
- TO bit of the STATUS register is set.
- CPU clock is disabled.

Different PICs have different condition once they enter Sleep mode so it is recommended that the reader refer to the datasheet to know more of these conditions.

The Watchdog Timer (WDT) is a system timer that generates a Reset if the firmware does not issue a CLRWDT instruction within the time-out period. WDT is typically used to recover the system from unexpected events. When the device enters Sleep, the WDT is cleared. If the WDT is enabled during Sleep, the WDT resumes counting. When the device exits Sleep, the WDT is cleared again. When a WDT time-out occurs while the device is in Sleep, no Reset is generated.

Registers

Register	Purpose
WDTCON	Contains enable and period select bits for the watchdog timer

WDTCON

This register contains the software enable (SWDTEN) bits and the period select bits for the watchdog timer. Note that for some devices, the period select bits are found in the CONFIG register. The period selects bits determine how long a program runs before the Watchdog timer resets the microcontroller. Values range to produce periods from 1 ms to 256 s and varies depending on the device used.

WDT can be configured through MCC as shown in FIGURE 9-1.

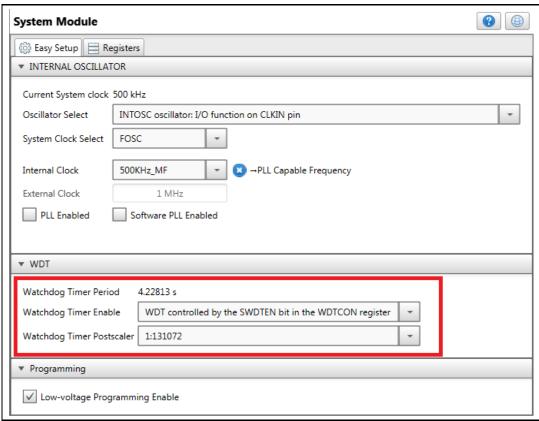


FIGURE 9-1: MCC WINDOW – WATCHDOG TIMER CONFIGURATION

C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "Sleep Wake-Up" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 9.1: C CODE FOR "SLEEP WAKE-UP" LAB

```
/**
    Section: Included Files
    */
#include "../../mcc_generated_files/pin_manager.h"
#include "../../labs.h"

/**
    Section: Macro Declaration
    */
#define WDT_Enable() (WDTCONbits.SWDTEN = 1)
#define WDT_Disable() (WDTCONbits.SWDTEN = 0)

/*
    Application
    */
void SleepWakeUp(void) {
```

```
if (labState == NOT_RUNNING) {
    LED_D4_LAT = LED_D6_LAT = HIGH;
    LED_D5_LAT = LED_D7_LAT = LOW;

    WDT_Enable();
    SLEEP();

    labState == RUNNING;
}

if (labState == RUNNING) {
    // Wait for 4s for the WDT time-out; and the LEDs will toggle
    LED_D4_LAT = LED_D6_LAT = LOW;
    LED_D5_LAT = LED_D7_LAT = HIGH;
    WDT_Disable();
}

if (switchEvent) {
    labState = NOT_RUNNING;
}
}

/**
    End of File

*/
```

```
WDT_Enable();
Equivalent:
WDTCONbits.SWDTEN = 1;

WDT_Disable();
Equivalent:
WDTCONbits.SWDTEN = 0;
```

Setting and clearing the SWDTEN bit enables and disables the WDT to run for a period defined by the WDT Period Select bits configured in MCC.

```
SLEEP();
```

This function puts the device into Sleep mode. The WDT will be cleared as the device enters Sleep and will continue to run while sleeping. The Oscillator Start-up Timer will be enabled after returning from Sleep.

```
//Wait 4 seconds for the WDT time out
//and reverse the states of the LEDs
LED_D2_LAT = LED_D4_LAT = LOW;
LED_D3_LAT = LED_D5_LAT = HIGH;
```

The user will then be notified that a wake-up event has occurred when the LEDs toggle.

LESSON 10: EEPROM

Introduction

This lesson provides code for writing and reading a single byte onto the on-board EEPROM. EEPROM is nonvolatile memory, meaning that it does not lose its value when power is shut off. This is unlike RAM, which will lose its value when no power is applied. The EEPROM is useful for storing variables that must still be present during no power. It is also convenient to use if the entire RAM space is used up. PIC16F1829 is used for this example and has 256 bytes of EEPROM available. Writes and reads to the EEPROM are relatively quick, and are much faster than program memory operations.

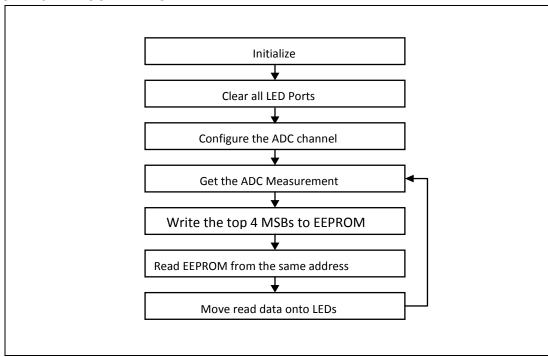
Hardware Effects

The top 4 MSBs of the ADC is written to EEPROM. These are read afterwards and displayed on the LEDs. Rotating the POT1 changes value of the ADC to be written to and read from EEPROM.

Summary

This lab has a similar appearance to <u>LESSON 4: ADC</u>. But instead of directly moving the ADC result directly onto the LEDs, it performs a simple "write" and "read" on the EEPROM. As shown on <u>FIGURE 10-1</u> below, the top 4 MSBs of the ADC result is first written to EEPROM, and retrieved later from the same address before moving onto the LEDs.

FIGURE 10-1: PROGRAM FLOW



Registers

Register	Purpose
EECON1 and EECON2	Controls EEPROM read/write access
EEDATH:EEDATL	Data register pair
EEADRH:EEADRL	Address register pair

EECON1 and EECON2

EECON1 contains specific bits used to access and enable EEPROM. Commonly used bits are EEPGD to determine if the PIC will access EEPROM or flash memory; RD and WR bits to initiate read and write respectively; and WREN bit to enable write operation. EECON2 contains the Data EEPROM Unlock Pattern bits. A specific pattern must be written to the register for unlocking writes.

EEDATH:EEDATL

EEDATH:EEDATL form a register pair which holds the 14-bit data for read/write.

EEADRH:EEADRL

EEADRH:EEADRL form a register pair which holds the 15-bit address of the program memory location being read.

Note that for some latest devices, the above registers have been replaced by the following:

Register	Purpose
NVMCON1 and NVMCON2	Controls EEPROM read/write access
NVMDATH:NVMDATL	Data register pair
NVMADRH:NVMADRL	Address register pair

NVMCON1 and NVMCON2

NVMCON1 contains specific bits used to access and enable nonvolatile memory, including EEPROM. Commonly used bits are NVMREG to determine if the PIC® will access program flash memory, EEPROM, or User/Device IDs and Configuration bits; RD and WR bits to initiate read and write respectively; and WREN bit to enable write operation. NVMCON2 contains the NVM Unlock Pattern bits. A specific pattern must be written to this register for unlocking writes.

NVMDATH:NVMDATL

NVMDATH:NVMDATL form a register pair which holds the NVM data for read/write. Some devices only have a single register called NVMDAT for the same purpose.

NVMADRH:NVMADRL

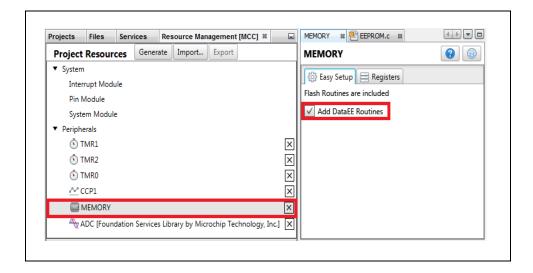
NVMADRH:NVMADRL form a register pair which holds the address of the NVM location being read. Note that some devices do not implement the NVMADRH register; refer to the device datasheet for more information.

MCC Instructions

Instruction	Purpose
DATAEE_WriteByte(uint8_t bAdd,	Writes a data byte bData to Data EEPROM
uint8_t bData)	address bAdd
DATAEE_ReadByte(uint8_t bAdd)	Reads a data byte from Data EEPROM
	address bAdd

The instructions above are automatically generated by the MCC when the Memory module is configured as shown in **FIGURE 10-2**. These functions can be found in memory.c.

FIGURE 10-2: MCC WINDOW - MEMORY MODULE TO GENERATE DATAEE ROUTINES



C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "EEPROM" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 10.1: C CODE FOR "EEPROM" LAB

```
LEDs SetLow();
       labState = RUNNING;
   }
   if (labState == RUNNING) {
       //Get the top 4 MSBs of the ADC and write them to EEPROM
       adcResult = ADC GetConversion(POT CHANNEL) >> 12;
       DATAEE WriteByte (EEAddr, adcResult);
       //Load whatever is in EEPROM to the LED Display
       ledDisplay = DATAEE ReadByte(EEAddr);
       //Determine which LEDs will light up
       LED D4 LAT = ledDisplay & 1;
       LED D5 LAT = (ledDisplay & 2) >> 1;
       LED D6 LAT = (ledDisplay & 4) >> 2;
       LED D7 LAT = (ledDisplay \& 8) >> 3;
   }
   if (switchEvent) {
       labState = NOT RUNNING;
/*
End of File
```

```
#define EEAddr 0x7000
```

For this lab, we are going to access EEPROM address '0x7000'. Please see your device datasheet for valid EEPROM address range.

```
DATAEE_WriteByte(EEAddr, adcResult);
```

This function writes the values stored within 'adcResult' (see <u>LESSON 4: ADC</u>) to the data EEPROM memory at address <code>EEAddr</code>.

```
ledDisplay = DATAEE_ReadByte(EEAddr);
```

The function above reads the EEPROM data byte located at address EEAddr then stores the read data to a user-defined global variable 'ledDisplay'. This data will be reflected on the LED ports.

LESSON 11: HIGH-ENDURANCE FLASH MEMORY

Introduction

In this lesson, we will discuss High-Endurance Flash (HEF) Memory, an alternative to Data EEPROM memory present in many devices. Most new devices have both types of memory but others have only one or the other. As we progress, we will also discuss the similarities and differences between these two as well as the purpose and set-up procedures to use the available HEF memory block on devices.

Hardware Effects

LEDs D4 and D6 will light up as we write '5' into the HEF memory of the device.

Summary

High-Endurance Flash (HEF) Memory is a type of non-volatile memory much like the Data EEPROM. Data stored in this type of memory is retained in spite of power outages. HEF's advantage over regular Flash Memory lies in its superior Erase-Write cycle endurance. While regular Flash could only sustain around 10,000 E/W cycles before breaking down, HEF can go for around 100,000 E/W cycles, within the range of average EEPROM endurance. Between true EEPROM and HEF, the difference lies in how operations are handled in both types of memory. In HEF, erase and write operations are performed in fixed blocks as opposed to data EEPROMs that are designed to allow byte-by-byte erase and write. Another difference is that writing to HEF stalls the processor for a few milliseconds as the MCU is unable to fetch new instructions form the Flash memory array. This is in contrast to true data EEPROMs which do not stall MCU executions during a write cycle.

MCC Instructions

Instruction	Purpose
FLASH_WriteWord(uint16_t	Writes the given word on the given flash
<pre>flashAddr, uint16_t *ramBuf,</pre>	address flashAddr
uint16_t word)	
FLASH_ReadWord(uint16_t	Reads a word from the given flash address
flashAddr)	flashAddr

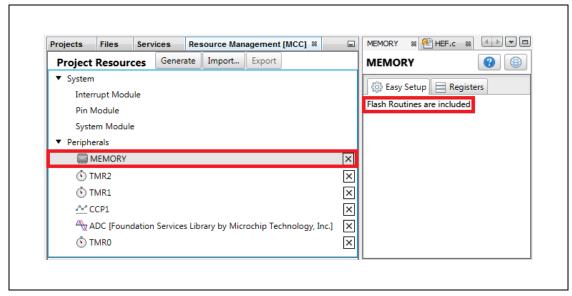
The instructions above are automatically generated by the MCC when the Memory module is selected (see FIGURE 11-1). These functions can be found in memory.c.

Declaration	Purpose
WRITE_FLASH_BLOCKSIZE	Maximum number of words that can be written
	in one block write.
ERASE_FLASH_BLOCKSIZE	Number of words in one erase block.

The macro declarations above can be found on the MCC-generated memory.h.

A block is the minimum program flash memory size that can be erased by user software. Before writing to a program memory, the block where the word(s) should be written to must be erased. Please see your device datasheet for valid HEF memory address range.

FIGURE 11-1: MCC WINDOW - MEMORY MODULE TO GENERATE FLASH ROUTINES



C Language

A sample code written in C language for the "HEF" lab is provided below.

EXAMPLE 11.1: C CODE FOR "HEF" LAB

```
/**
 Section: Included Files
#include "../../mcc generated files/pin manager.h"
#include "../../mcc generated files/memory.h"
#include "../../labs.h"
 Section: Macro Declaration
* /
#define HefAddr 0x1F80  // HEF starting address
 Section: Local Variable Declarations
static uint8 t rotateReg;
/*
                            Application
 */
void HEF(void) {
   if (labState == NOT RUNNING) {
       LEDs_SetLow();
```

```
labState = RUNNING;
    }
    if (labState == RUNNING) {
        uint16 t writeData = 0x0005;
        uint16 t Buf[ERASE FLASH BLOCKSIZE];
        FLASH WriteWord (HefAddr, Buf, writeData);
        //Read back value and store to LED display
        rotateReg = FLASH ReadWord(HefAddr);
        //Determine which LED will light up
        //ie. which bit in the register the 1 has rotated to.
        LED D4 LAT = rotateReg & 1;
        LED D5 LAT = (rotateReg & 2) >> 1;
        LED D6 LAT = (rotateReg & 4) >> 2;
        LED D7 LAT = (rotateReg & 8) >> 3;
    if (switchEvent) {
        labState = NOT RUNNING;
    }
}
/**
End of File
 * /
```

```
uint16_t writeData = 0x0005;
```

Data to be written is equal to '5'.

```
#define HefAddr 0x1F80 // HEF address
```

HEF memory address 0x1F80 is selected for this lab. For this example, the HEF memory address range is 1F80h to 1FFFh (using PIC16F1709).

```
uint16_t Buf[ERASE_FLASH_BLOCKSIZE];
```

This is a declaration for an array with size ERASE FLASH BLOCKSIZE.

```
FLASH_WriteWord(HefAddr, Buf, writeData);
```

This routine saves all existing data within the block where <code>HefAddr</code> is located to the previously declared array <code>Buf</code>. Thus, it is necessary for <code>Buf</code> to be declared with size of at least one erase block. The location where the new data (<code>writeData</code>) will be written to within the buffer is automatically identified by software. The updated data words in <code>Buf</code> are then written to one complete block in the HEF memory.

```
rotateReg = FLASH_ReadWord(HefAddr);
LEDs = (rotateReg << 4);</pre>
```

These statements read the data from the previously written HEF memory address HefAddr and reflect them on the LEDs.