

PERIPHERALS, DIGITAL/ ANALOG CONVERSION AND TIMED PERIPHERALS

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Timer Unit

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Every modern microcontroller has a powerful timer unit for tasks like

- Measuring time differences/timeouts in programs
- Measuring time instants of external events, pulse periods and pulse lengths of input signals (Input Capture Mode)

• Generation of interrupts and output signals at programmable times (Output

Compare Mode) TSCR2 Free running f_{TCNT} Clock t_{BUSCLK} 16 bit Up Counter Divider TCNT TCTL3&TCTL4 Bus **CPU Address Data** Input 16 bit **Event** Timer Port Trigger Register Compare Pin T.x TCx Output x=0,1,...,7TCx? 8 Channels Event TCTL1&TCTL2

The HCS12 timer unit consists of:

- A free-running 16bit counter TCNT with programmable clock frequency f_{TCNT}
 - 8 channels (Port T),
 which can be used as
 inputs in "Input Capture
 Mode" or as outputs in
 "Output Compare
 Mode."

See S12ECT_16B8CV1.pdf for Enhanced Capture Timer Unit

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The Enhanced Capture Timer has many configurable options. Only the most important options will be described here. The description assumes that the CPU was reset and only differences to the default settings after reset will be described. For more Information see S12ECT_16B8CV1.pdf [3.5]

Configuration of the free-running 16 bit Counter TCNT

Control Registers

1	TSCR1 (8 bit register)	Enable the timer unit Bit 7 = 1 Set to 1 to enable Bit 60=0 Default after reset (don't touch)							
	TSCR2	Set the timer clock frequency							
	(8 bit register)	Bit 73 = 0 Default after reset (don't touch)							
		Bit 20 Set for Clock divider x							
		Clock frequency*1: $f_{TCNT} = \frac{1}{T_{CNT}} = \frac{f_{BUSCLK}}{2^x}$							
		*1 Dragon12 operates at f _{BUSCLK} =24MHz							

The counter can be configured to generate an interrupt on counter overflow (not shown here). In the associated ISR, overflow events may be counted by SW, so that the counter can be extended to more than 16 bit.

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Configuration of the 8 Timer Channels

Select Input Capture or Output Compare Mode **Control Registers** TTOS Bit y = 1Channel y in Output Compare Mode (8 bit register) Default y=0, i.e. Input Capture Mode (y=0,1...,7)Interrupt Enable per Channel TIE Bit y = 1Channel y does generate interrupts (8 bit register) Default: v=0, i.e. no interrupt y=0,1,...,7Each channel has its own ISR, which will be called by its associated input or output events. Interrupt Flag indicates an timer interrupts event TFLG1 (8 bit register) Bit y = 1Channel v triggered an interrupt Must be reset in the ISR by writing a 1 to the y=0,1,...,7channel's bit in TFLG1.

Additional configuration registers for Output Compare Mode:



Set the type of output event:

- Output pin not used (timer used for interrupt generation only)
- O1 Toggle output pin
- 10 Clear output to 0
- 11 Set output to 1

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Additional configuration registers for Input Capture Mode:



Set the type of input trigger event:

- 00 Input not used
- 01 Positive edge
- 10 Negative edge
- 11 Positive & negative edge

Time-stamp registers for the 8 channels:

(8 bit register)

Channel 0
(8 bit register)
...
TC7

Software **writes** to this register in Output Compare Mode to set "the time" (counter value), when the channel's next output event shall be triggered.

Software **reads** this register in Input Capture Mode to "the time" (counter value) of the channel's last input event.

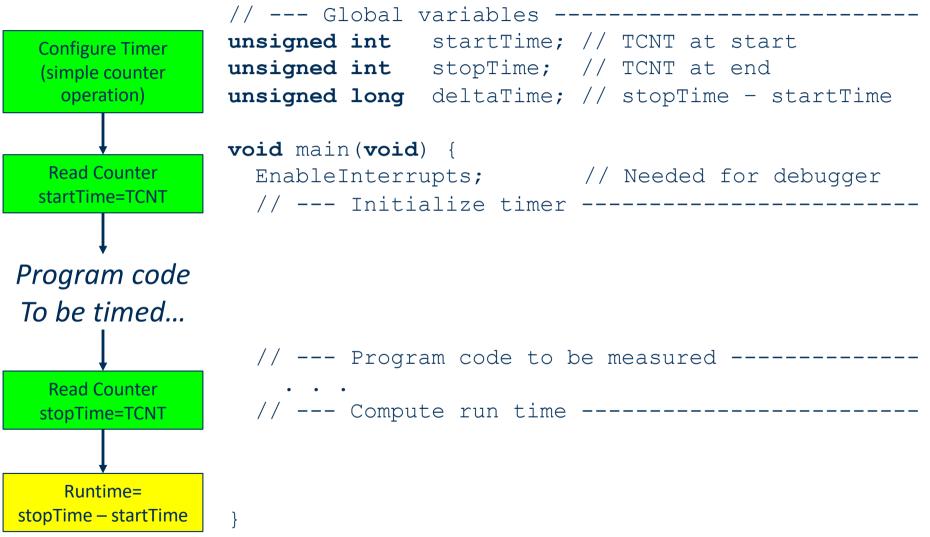
As the timer clock frequency is high, the timer value TCNT changes fast and overflows periodically. Software therefore

- Must read TCNT with a single 16 bit instruction, e.g. MOVW (never use two sequential 8 bit instructions MOVB, because the timer value may change in between reads.)
- When using \mathbb{TCNT} to measure time, the time between events must never be greater than one counter period, i.e. $2^{16}/f_{TCNT}$. Then, the CPU's mod 2^{16} -arithmetic will handle timer overflows automatically, otherwise overflows must be counted & handled in SW.

TIMER UNIT – EXAMPLE 1



Example: Program for run-time measurement (see timer1C.mcp)



Note: Resolution is 1 timer clock period, i.e. 5.3µs, measurement range: 1 counter period, i.e. max. 350 ms. A smaller clock period will increase measurement resolution, but will reduce

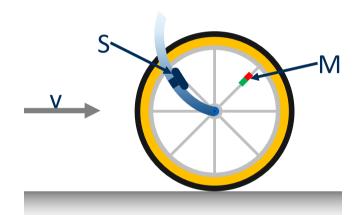
measurement range. Computer Architecture, Profs Rainer Keller, J. Friedrich, W. Zimmermann

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Example: Measure the Period of a Pulse Signal in **Input Capture Mode**.





- The pulse signal is generated via a coil S and a rotating magnet M.
- When the magnet passes the coil a voltage impulse is induced.
- A Comparator converts the analog voltage impulse into a digital pulse signal
- Wheel speed $n \approx \frac{1}{impulse\ period\ T}$
- With the known wheel radius r the bicycle's speed $v = 2\pi * r * n$

A similar setup with a tooth wheel and a Hall sensor, which generate ~60 pulses per revolution is used to measure wheel speed of cars in ABS/ESP systems.

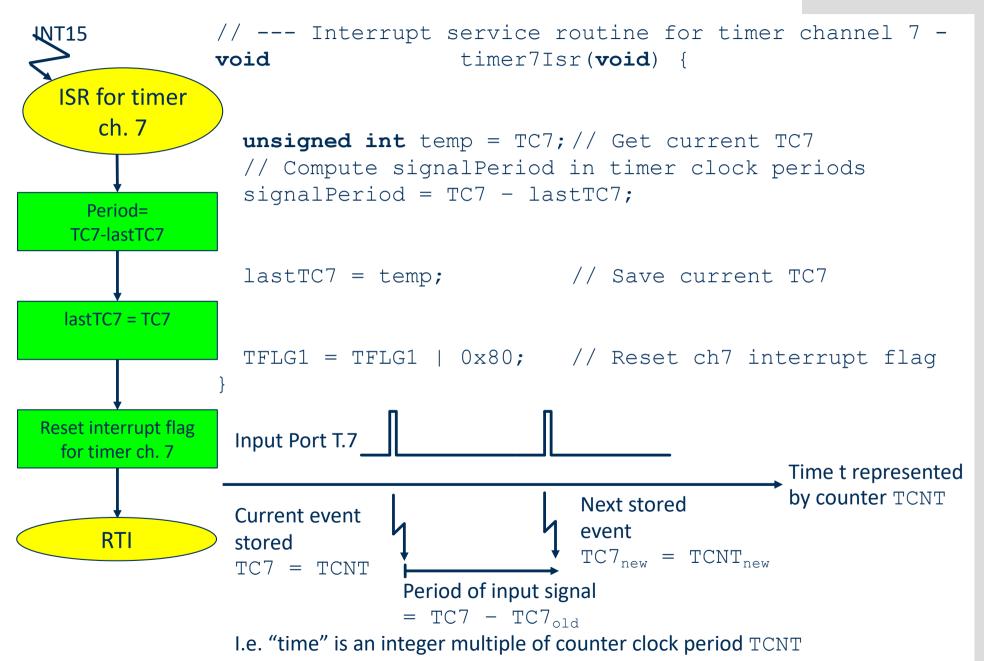
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Core sample:
                                         (see timer3C.mcp)
Pulse signal connected to Port T.7 (input with frequency range 10Hz ... 10kHz)
             // --- Global variables -----
             unsigned int signalPeriod=0; // Signal period in TCNT
                                           // clock periods
             unsigned int lastTC7=0;
                                           // TC7 at last inp.event
             void main(void) {
Main program:
               //-- Initialize timer ------
  Configure timer
 (ch.7 Input-Capture
                                           // Infinite loop
               for(;;) {}
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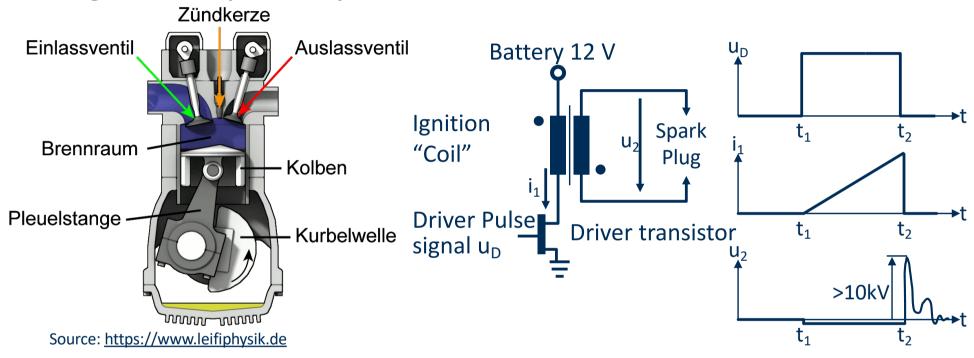








Example: Generate driving pulse for the spark plugs of a combustion engine in **Output Compare Mode**.



- The ignition spark is generated via the ignition "coil".
- The ignition timing t₂ (but also t₁) must be controlled precisely, because they influence efficiency and emissions
 → timing errors < 1µs required!

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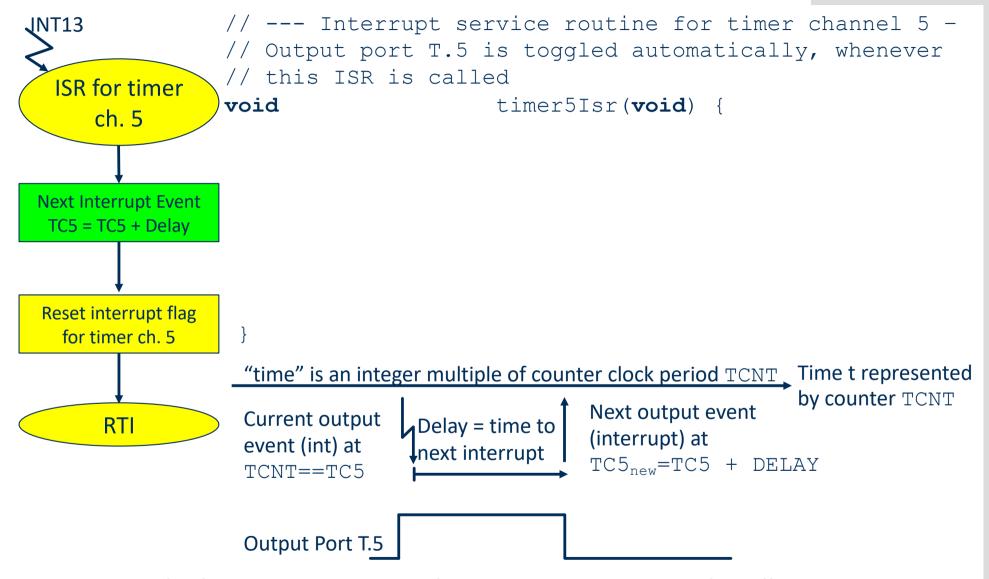
Dragon12 Beeper in Output-Compare Mode (see timer2C.mcp)

A beeper (buzzer) on port T.5 (used as output) shall be driven by a 500 Hz pulse signal with a 1:1 duty cycle.

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#define DELAY (24000/128) // Delay 1ms*24MHz / 2^7
Main program: void main (void) {
                EnableInterrupts; // Global interrupt enable
                    --- Initialize Timer --
                 TSCR1 = TSCR1 \mid 0x80; // Enable timer unit
  Configure Timer
                TSCR2 = 0x07;
                                           // Clock period 2^7/24 MHz
 Ch. 5 Output Comp.
 Set First Int. Event
 TC5=TCNT+Delay
                                          // Infinite loop
                 for (;;) {}
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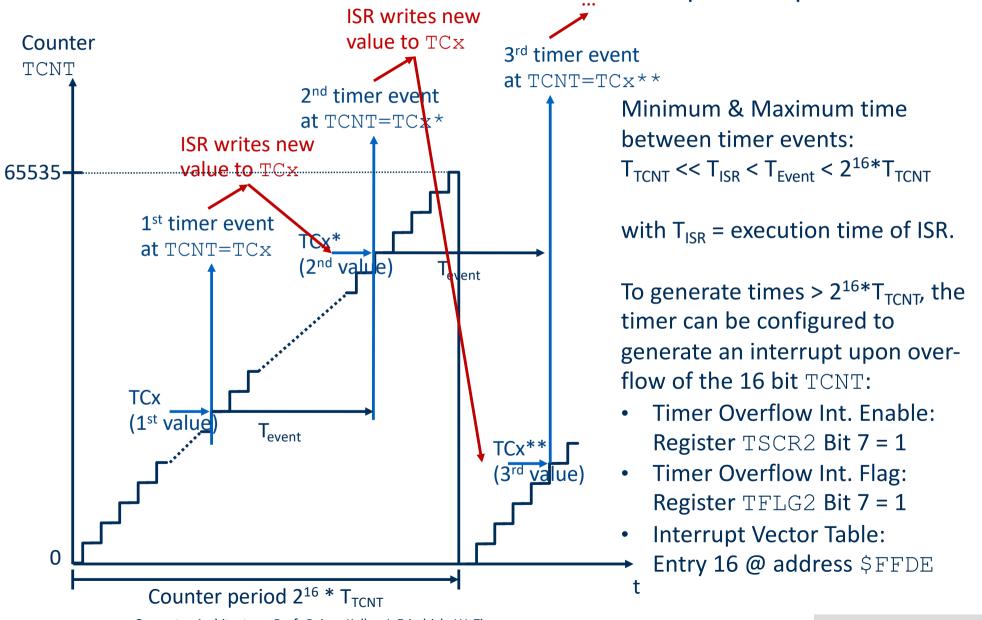


By setting the bits in TCTL1 to 0, the output compare mode will trigger an ISR only at predefined time, but does not change the port pins output signal.

TIMER UNIT – HW/SW INTERACTION



Interaction between Hardware and Software in Output Compare Mode:



APPENDIX B: CLOCK GENERATOR AND CLOCK DIVIDER



RTI Interrupt:

Interrupt period $T_{RTI} = 2^{9+X} * (Y + 1) / f_{OSCCLK}$. All values in ms @ $f_{OSCCLK} = 4$ MHz

	Y=0	Y=1	Y=2	Y=3	Y=4	Y=5	Y=6	Y=7	Y=8	Y=9	Y=10	Y=11	Y=12	Y=13	Y=14	Y=15
X=1:	0.256	0.512	0.768	1.024	1.280	1.536	1.792	2.048	2.304	2.560	2.816	3.072	3.324	3.584	3.840	4.096
x=2:	0.512	1.024	1.536	2.048	2.560	3.072	3.584	4.096	4.608	5.120	5.632	6.144	6.656	7.168	7.680	8.192
X=3:	1.024	2.048	3.072	4.096	5.120	6.144	7.168	8.192	9.216	10.240	11.264	12.288	13.312	14.336	15.360	16.384
X=4:	2.048	4.096	6.144	8.192	10.240	12.288	14.336	16.384	18.432	20.480	22.528	24.576	26.624	28.672	30.720	32.768
X=5:	4.096	8.192	12.288	16.384	20.480	24.576	28.672	32.768	36.864	40.960	45.056	49.152	53.248	57.344	51.440	65.536
X=6:	8.192	16.384	24.576	32.768	40.960	49.152	57.344	65.536	73.728	81.920	90.112	98.304	106.496	114.688	122.880	131.072
X=7:	16.384	32.768	49.152	65.356	81.920	98.304	114.68	131.072	147.456	163.840	180.224	196.608	212.992	229.376	245.760	262.144

ECT Timer: @ $f_{BUSCLK} = 24 \text{ MHz}$

Clock period $T_{TCNT} = 1/f_{TCNT} = 2^{X}/f_{BUSCLK}$. In μ s

x =0	X=1	X=2	X= 3	X=4	x =5	X=6	x= 7
0.042	0.083	0.167	0.333	0.667	1.333	2.667	5.333

PWM: @ f_{BUSCLK} = 24 MHz

Clock period of fast clock $T_{A/B} = 2^{x}/f_{BUSCLK}$. In μs

X=0	X=1	X=2	X=3	X=4	X=5	X=6	X=7
0.042	0.083	0.167	0.333	0.667	1.333	2.667	5.333

Serial Interface: @ f_{BUSCLK} = 24 MHz

Clock Divider Register SCIxBD = $f_{BUSCLK}/(16*f_{BIT})$

Clock period $T_P = 2^{16} * TTC_{NT}$ Values in ms

X=0	X=1	X=2	X=3	X=4	X=5	X=6	X=7
2.731	5.461	10.293	21.845	43.691	87.381	174.763	349.525

Clock period of slow clock $T_{SA/B}$ =2*y* $T_{A/B}$. In μs

	X=0	X=1	X=2	X=3	X=4	X=5	X=6	X=7
Y=1	0.083	0.167	0.333	0.667	1.333	2.667	5.333	10.667
Y=255	21.250	42.500	85.000	170000	340000	680000	1360000	2720000

f _{BIT} =300 bit/s	600 bit/s	1,2 kbit/s	2,4kbit/s	4,8kbit/s	9,6kbit/s	19,2kbits	38,4kbit/s	57,6kbit/s	115,2kbit/s
5000	2500	1250	625	313	156	78	39	26	13

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