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**Lab 6**

**Serial Communications,  
The Universal Synchronous-Asynchronous  
Receiver-Transmitter (USART) Module,  
The RS232 Protocol Standard**

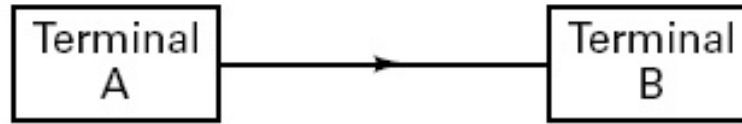
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# Lab 6 Outline

- 1. Serial Communications Overview**
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4. Lab 6 Setup

# Serial Communications

Simplex

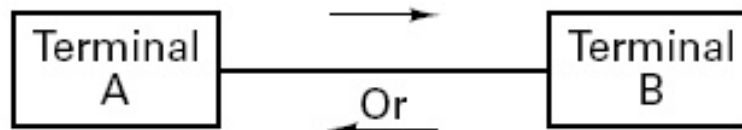


Transmission in only one direction

(a)

Garage door opener

Half Duplex

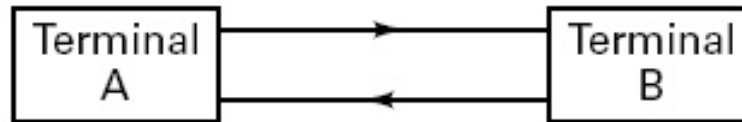


Transmission in either direction,  
but not simultaneously

(b)

Walkie-Talkie

Full Duplex



Transmission in both directions simultaneously

(c)

Telephones,  
cellphones

# Serial Communications

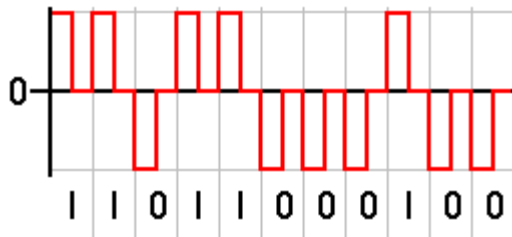
Used for communication between electronic devices

- a. Keyboard ↔ PC
- b. Mouse ↔ PC
- c. Modem ↔ PC
- d. PC ↔ PC
- e. Microcontroller ↔ PC
- f. Microcontroller ↔ Microcontroller
- g. Instrumentation ↔ PC
- h. Microcontroller ↔ Instrumentation

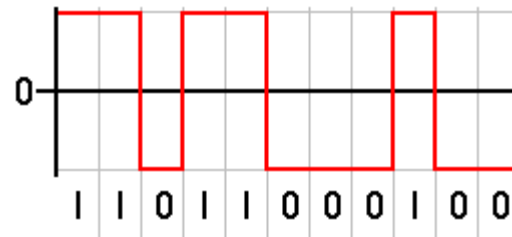
# Serial Communications

1. Pulse-code modulation (PCM): Uses electrical pulse waveforms to represent binary digits.
2. Many different types of PCM waveforms (e. g., RZ, NRZ below).
3. PCM waveforms often called bitstreams, digital baseband (< 3 MHz) signals, or linecodes (telecommunications).

Return-to-Zero  
(RZ) waveform



Nonreturn-to-Zero  
(NRZ) waveform

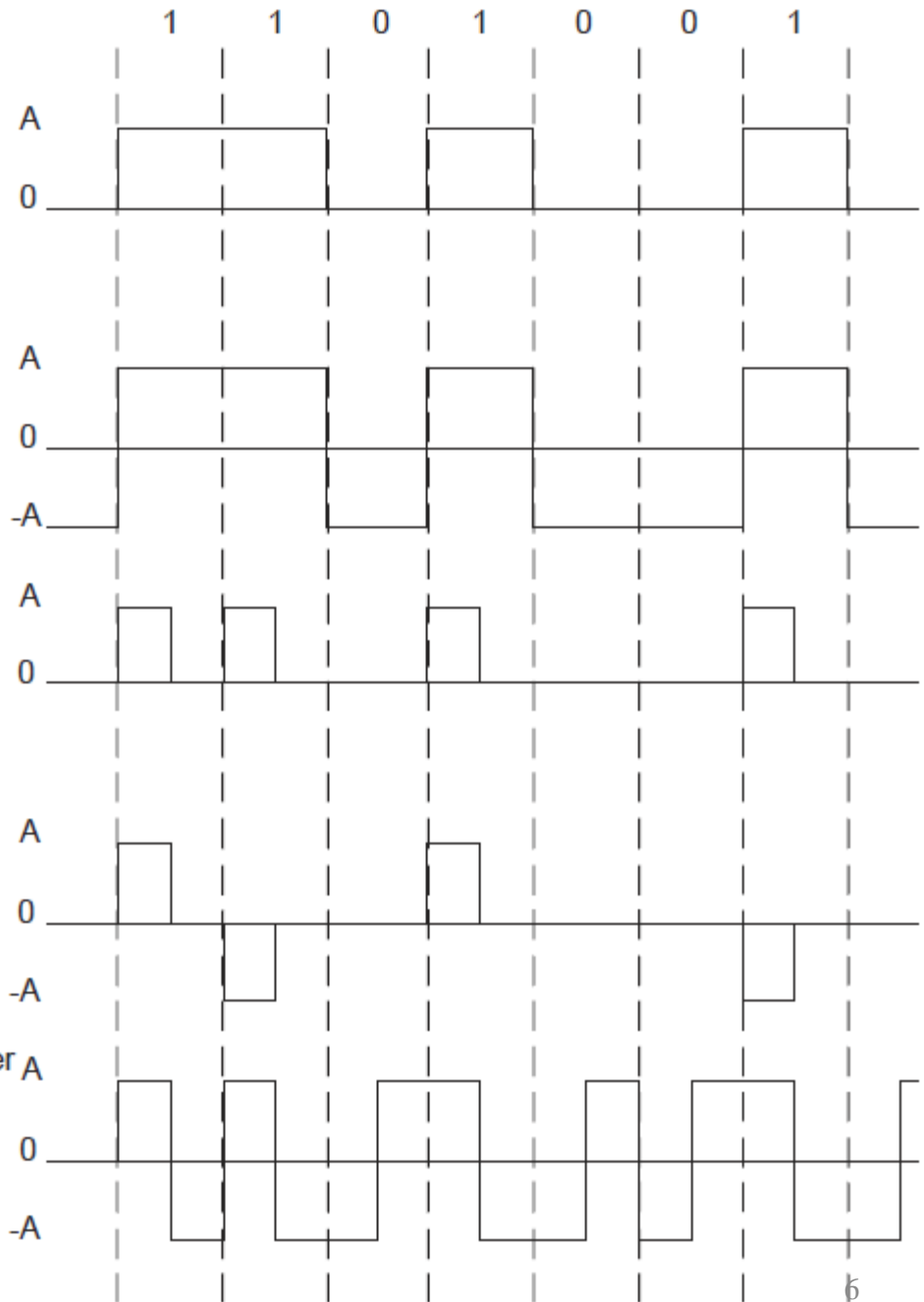


# Serial Communications

Some common  
PCM waveforms

PIC

Unipolar  
NRZ



Ethernet

Manchester  
NRZ

# Serial Communications

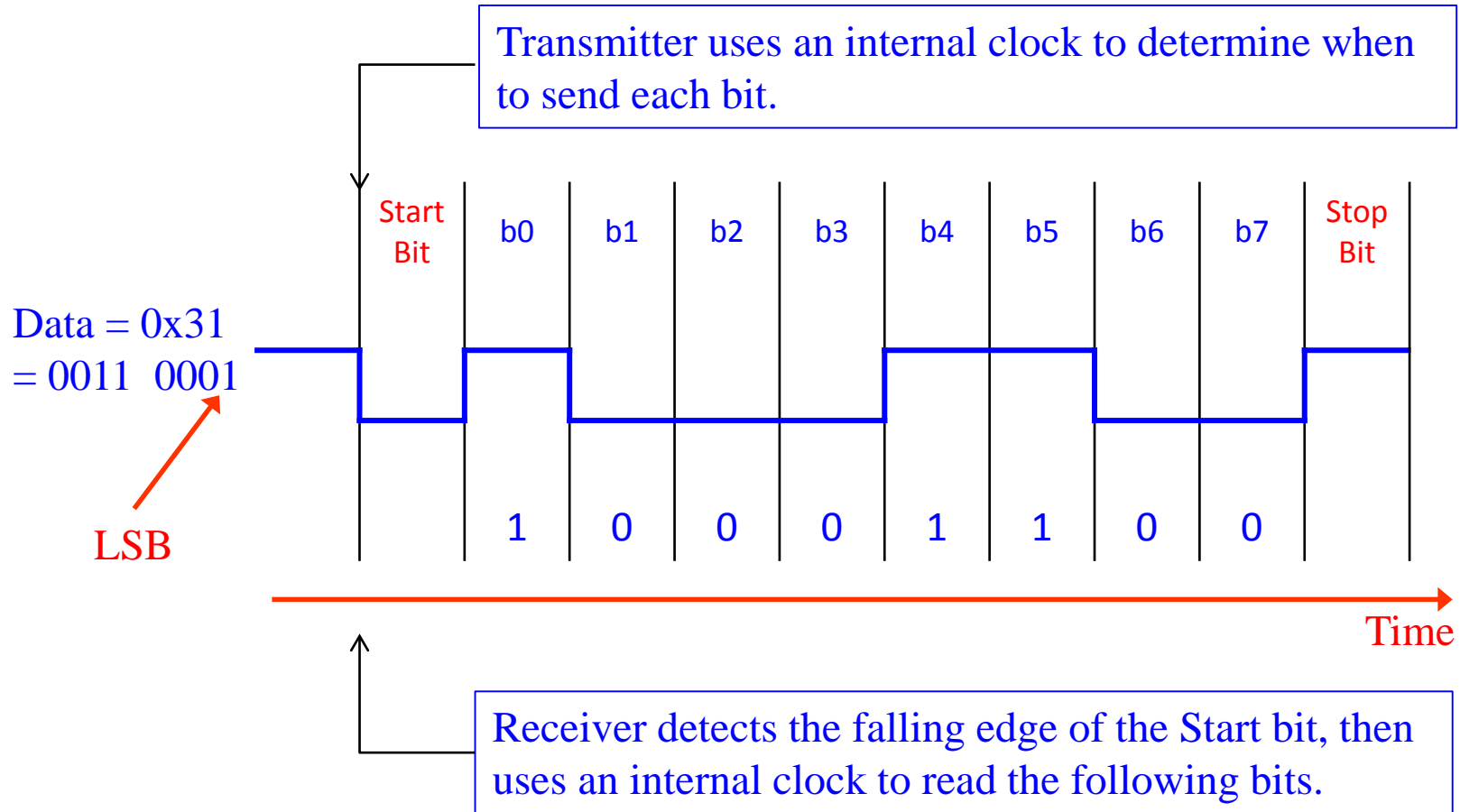
## 1. Asynchronous serial communication

- a. Transmitter and receiver are not synchronized with a common clock signal.
- b. Transmitter sends a START bit to inform receiver that data is coming, and a STOP bit to indicate that data transmission is complete.
- c. Can transmit and receive simultaneously (full duplex).
- d. Communication channel is idle when not transmitting or receiving.

## 2. Synchronous serial communication

- a. Transmitter and receiver are synchronized with a clock signal.
- b. Clock signal is always present on communication channel.
- c. Can be duplex or half-duplex.

# Asynchronous Serial Communications



1. Asynchronous protocols usually send the LSB (b0) first.
2. Internal clocks of transmitter and receiver must have same frequency (baud rates).



# Asynchronous Serial Communications

LSB transmitted first

Stop bit

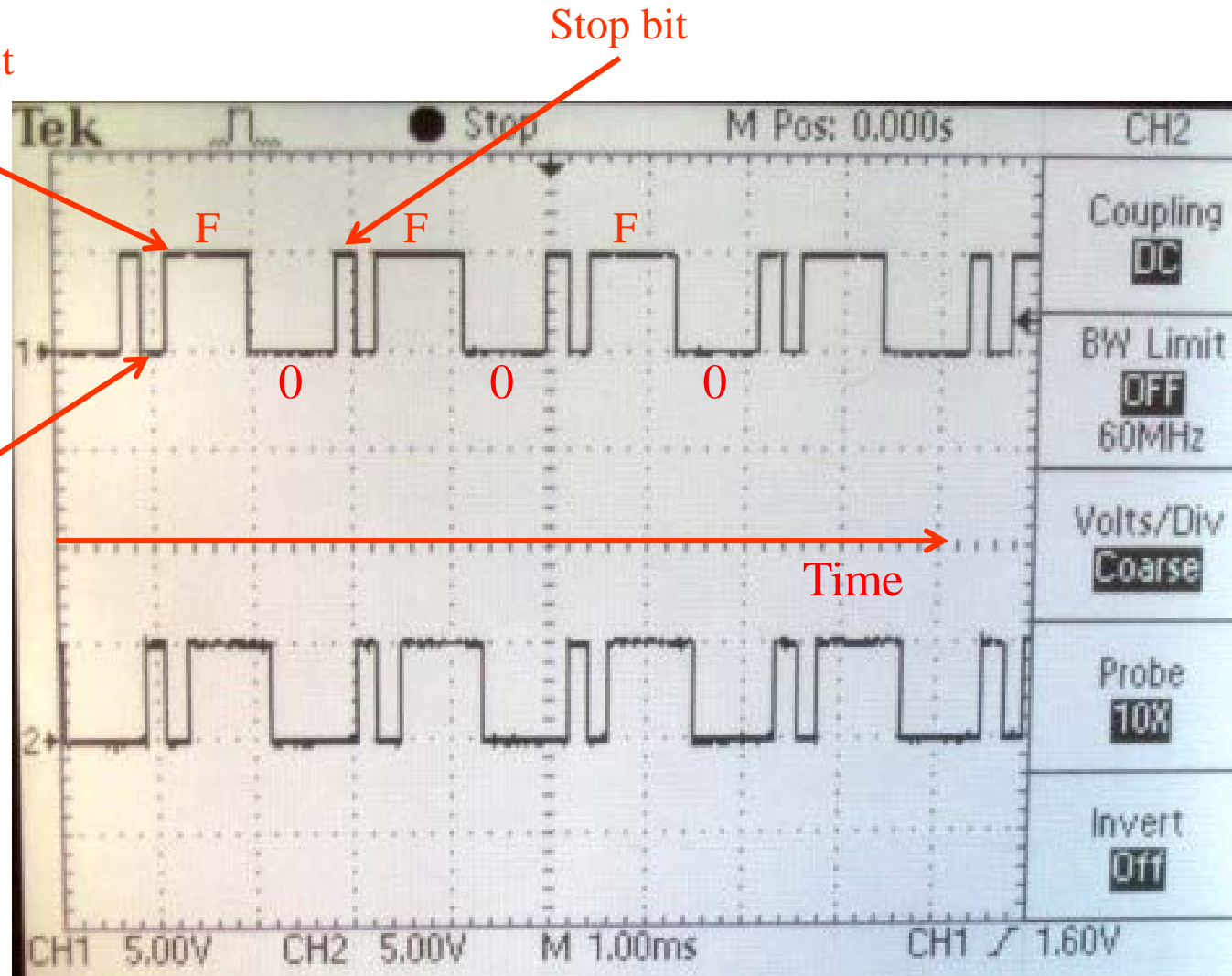
Transmitted waveform:

0x0F = 0000 1111

Start bit

Received waveform:

0x0F



# Asynchronous Serial Communications

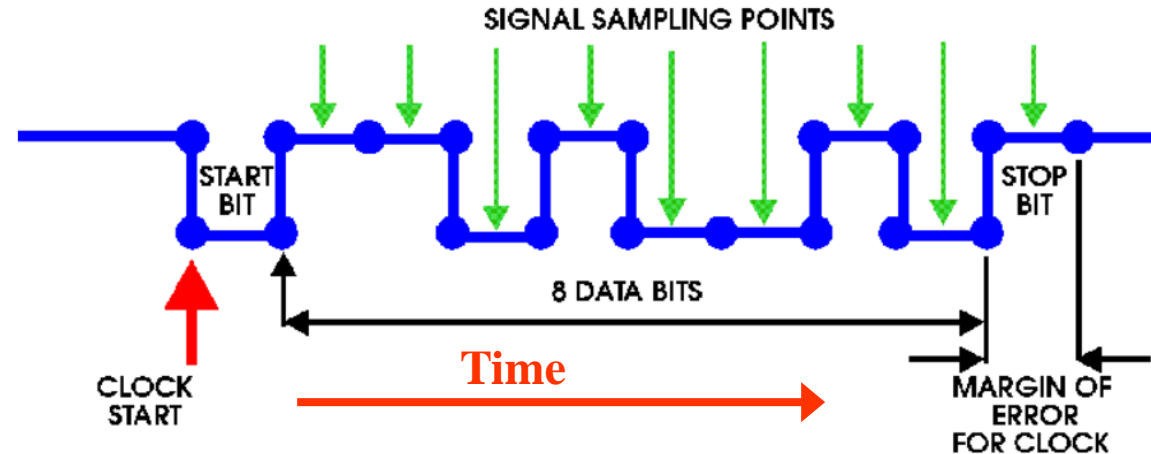
Transmitter

Receiver

## ASYNCHRONOUS CHARACTER: 8 DATA BITS, ONE STOP BIT

Transmit LSB first:

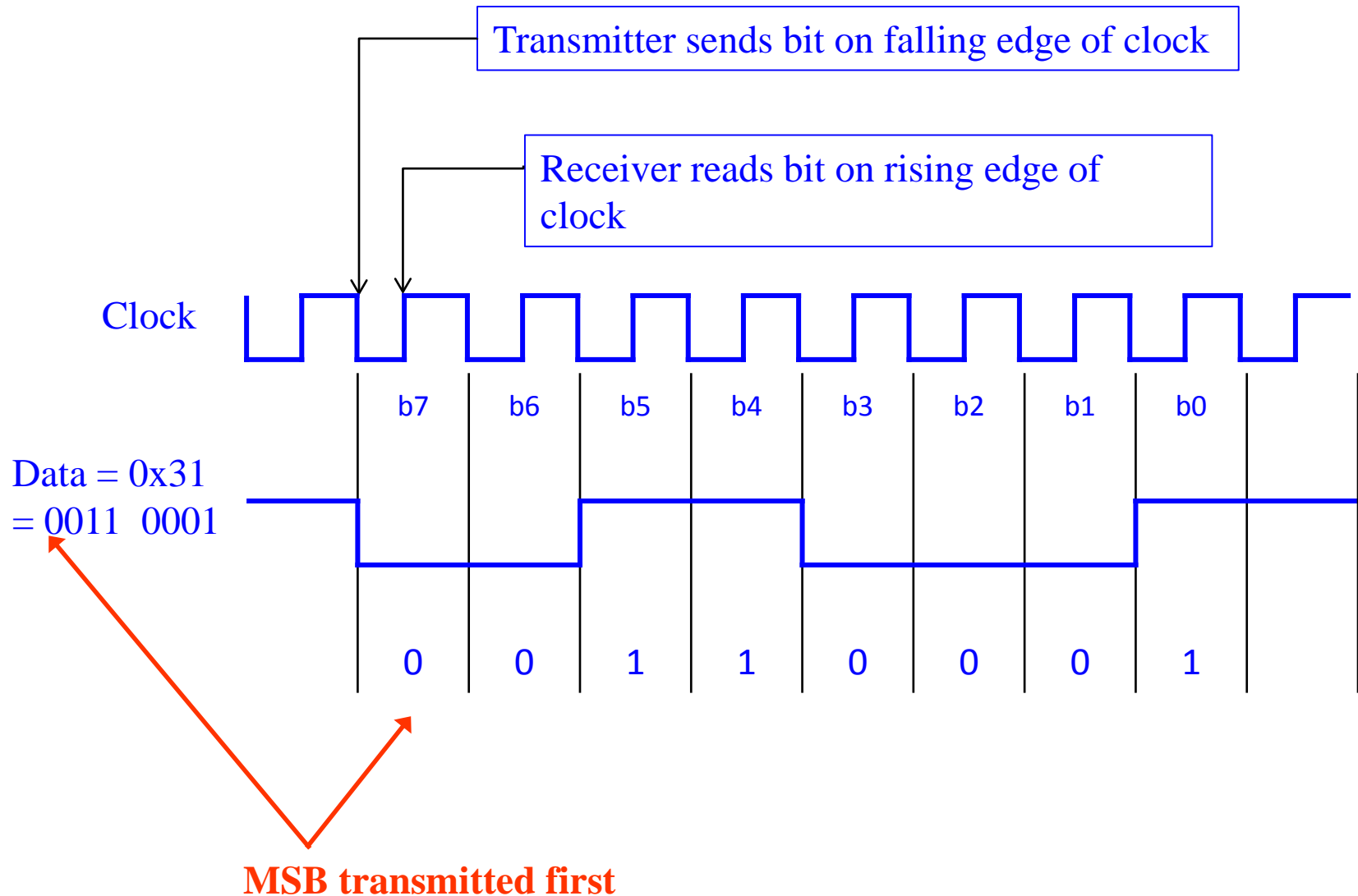
0x4B = 0100 1011



Receive LSB first,  
then shift right:

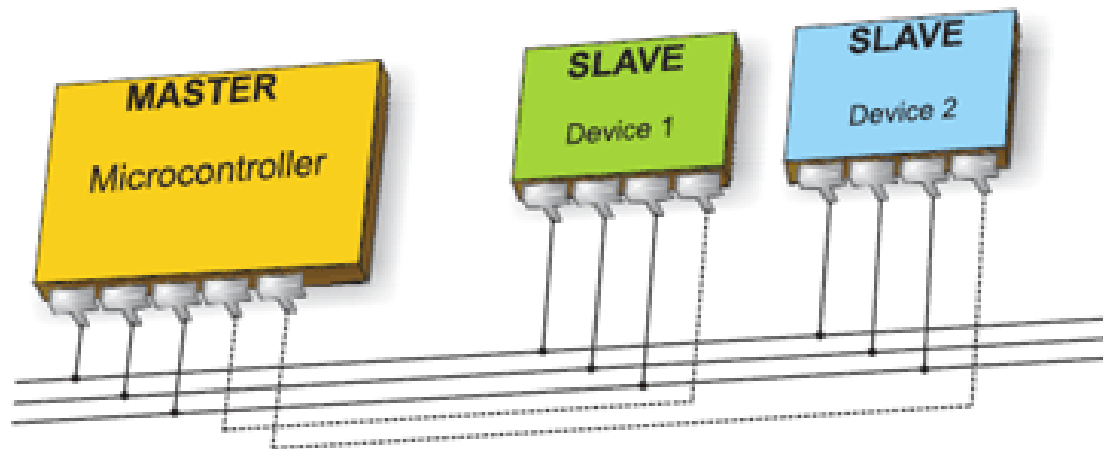
0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
4				B			

# Synchronous Serial Communications



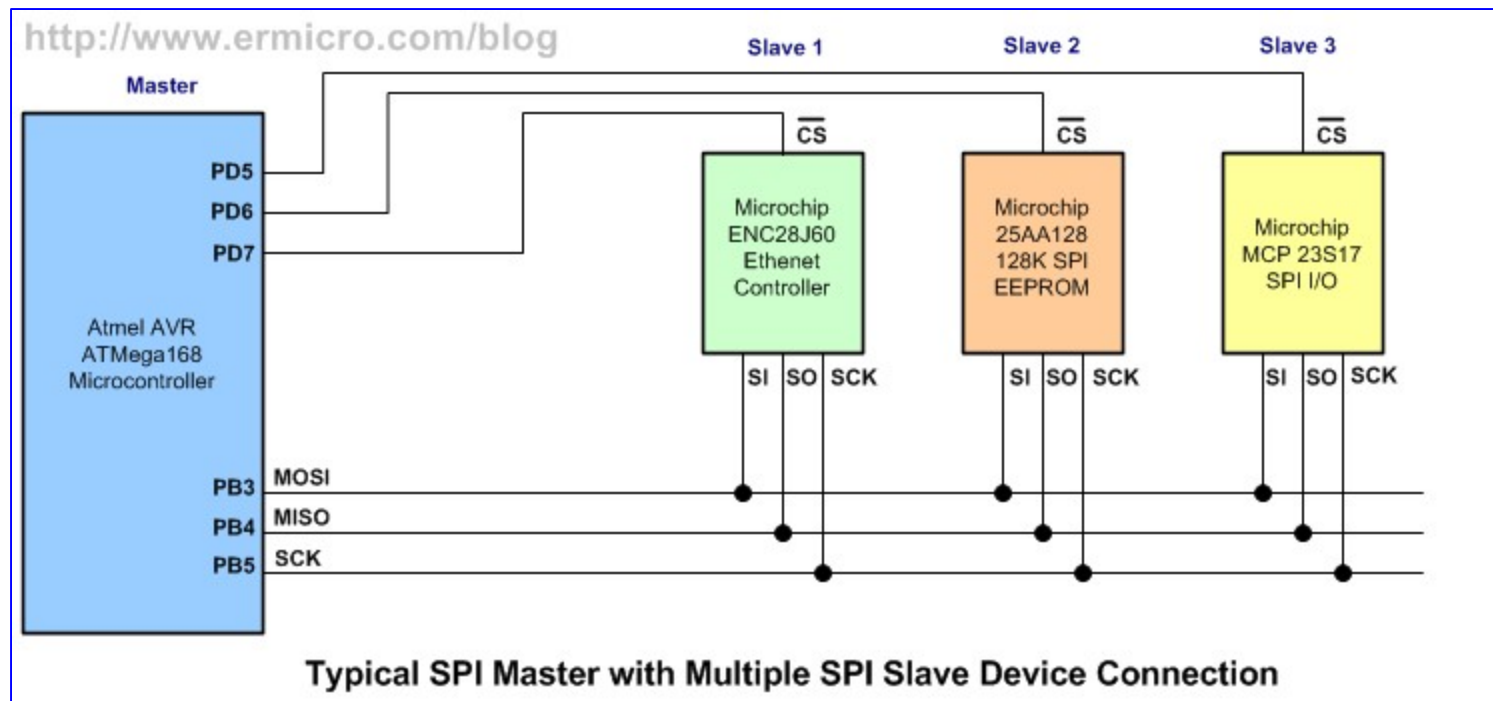
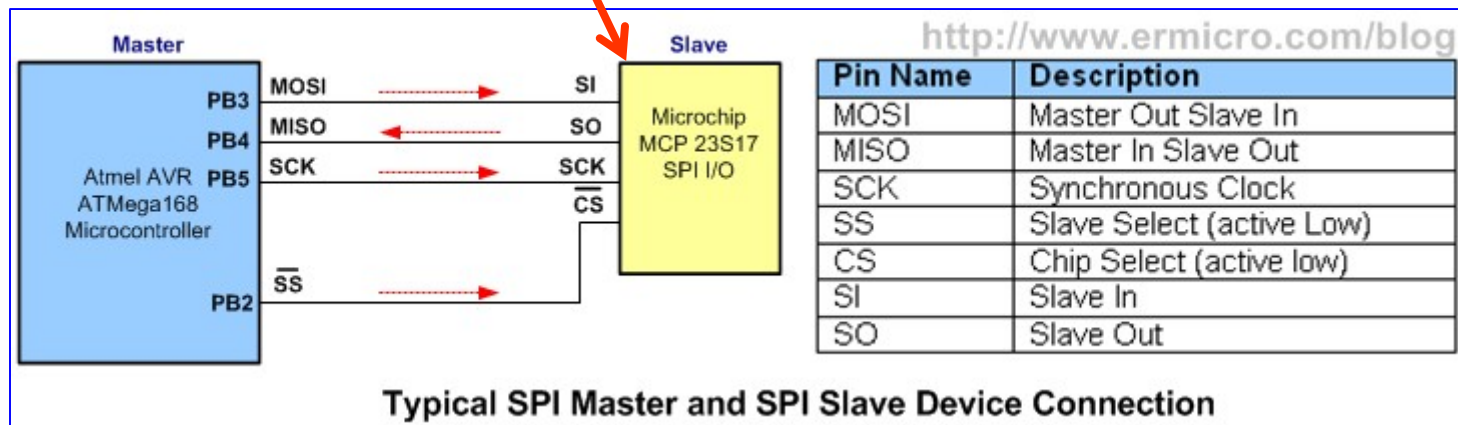
# Synchronous Serial Communication

1. One of the communicating devices is designated as the **master** device.
2. The master device supplies the synchronizing clock signal.
3. The second device is designated as the **slave** device.
4. The slave device synchronizes with the master device using the master's clock.
5. Multiple slave devices possible.



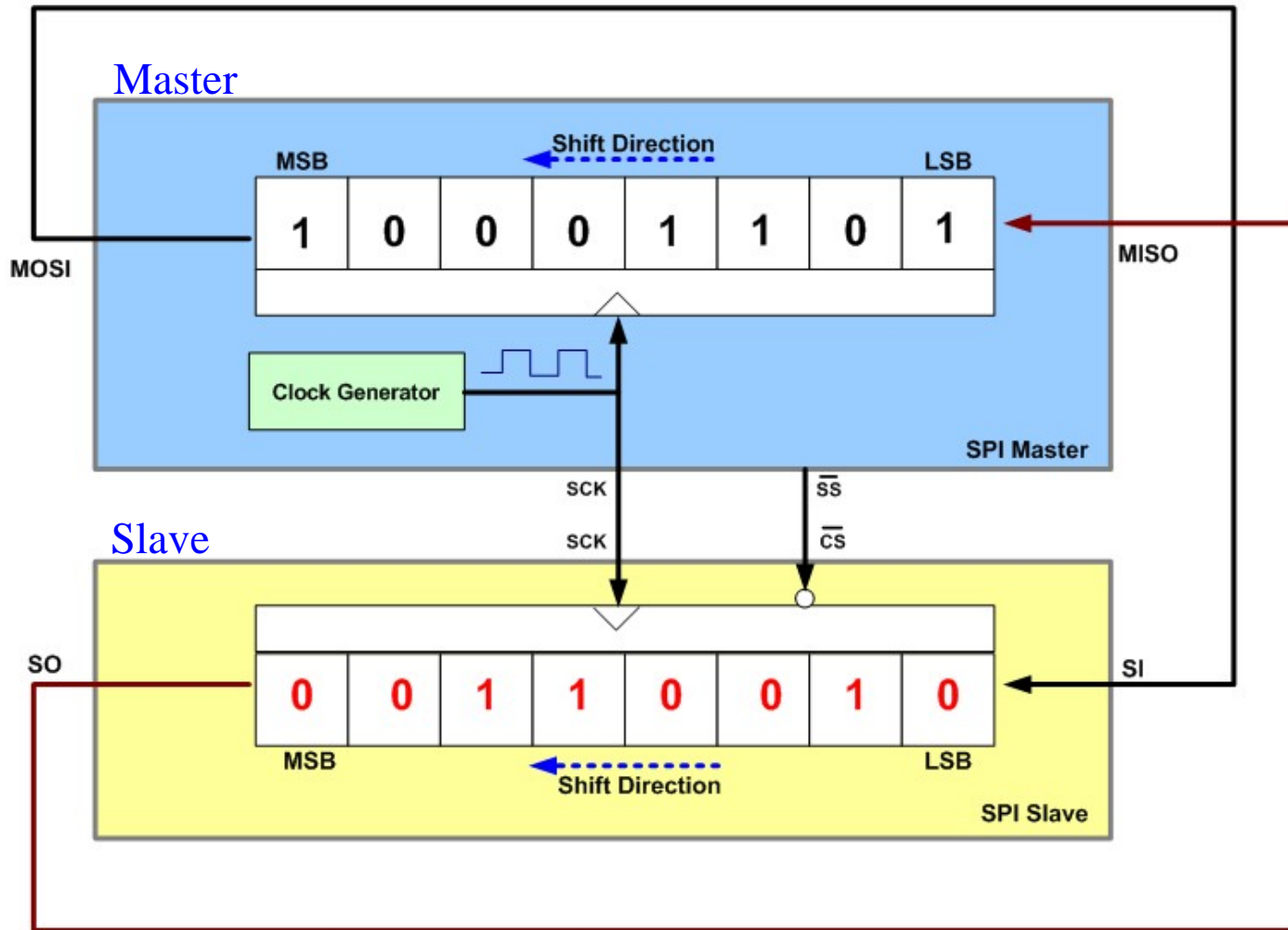
# Synchronous Serial Communication

16-bit, general purpose parallel I/O expansion device



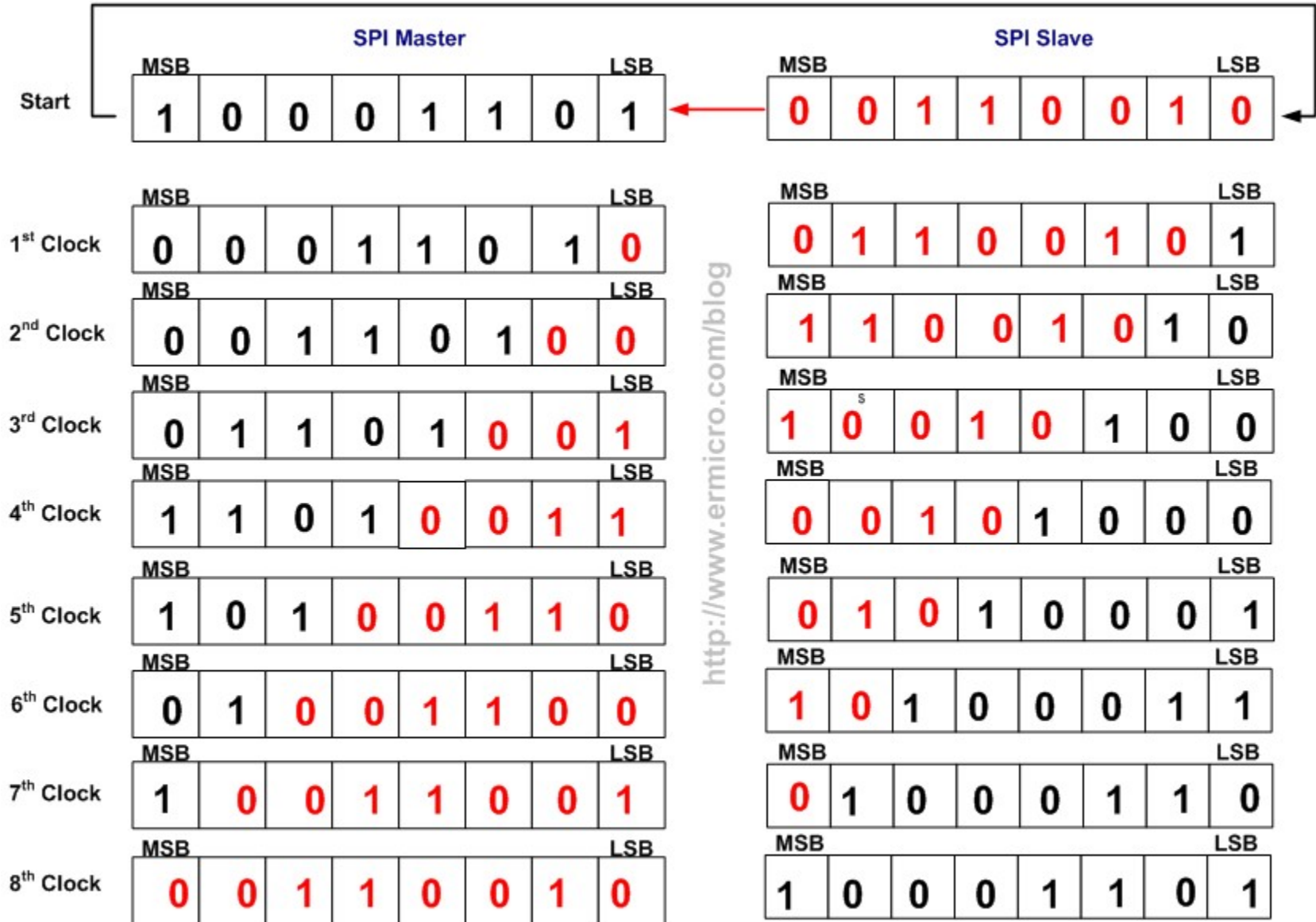
# Synchronous Serial Communication

<http://www.ermicro.com/blog>



SPI Master and Slave Interconnection

# Synchronous Serial Communication



SPI Master and Slave Data Transfer Diagram

# Serial Communications Standards (Partial List)

There are many  
more standards  
for serial  
communications

- Morse code telegraphy
- RS-232 (low-speed, implemented by serial ports)
- RS-422
- RS-423
- RS-485
- I<sup>2</sup>C
- SPI
- ARINC 818 Avionics Digital Video Bus
- Universal Serial Bus (moderate-speed, for connecting peripherals to computers)
- FireWire
- Ethernet
- Fibre Channel (high-speed, for connecting computers to mass storage devices)
- InfiniBand (very high speed, broadly comparable in scope to PCI)
- MIDI control of electronic musical instruments
- DMX512 control of theatrical lighting
- SDI-12 industrial sensor protocol
- Serial Attached SCSI
- Serial ATA
- SpaceWire Spacecraft communication network
- HyperTransport
- PCI Express
- SONET and SDH (high speed telecommunication over optical fibers)
- T-1, E-1 and variants (high speed telecommunication over copper pairs)
- MIL-STD-1553A/B



# PIC Serial Hardware

The PIC has two hardware modules for serial communications.

## **USART Module**

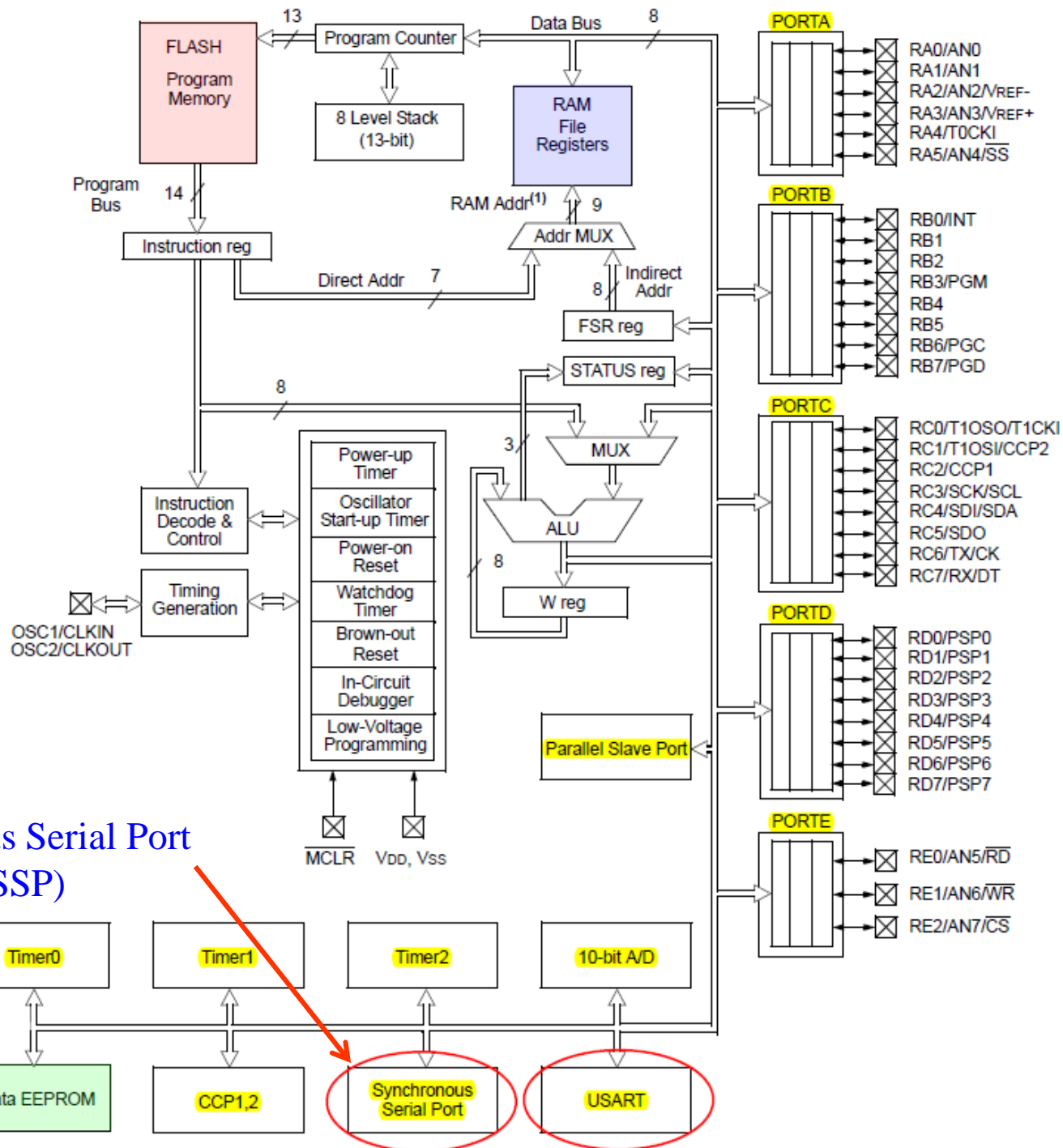
**Universal Synchronous-Asynchronous Receiver-Transmitter**

**Also called Serial Communications Interface (SCI)**

## **MSSP Module**

**Master Synchronous Serial Port**

# PIC Serial Communication Modules



# Hardware Configurations

The PIC serial communications modules can be configured for various modes of operation.

USART Module			
Asynchronous		Synchronous	
		Master	Slave
MSSP Module			
Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI)		Inter-Integrated Circuit (I2C)	
Master	Slave	Master	Slave

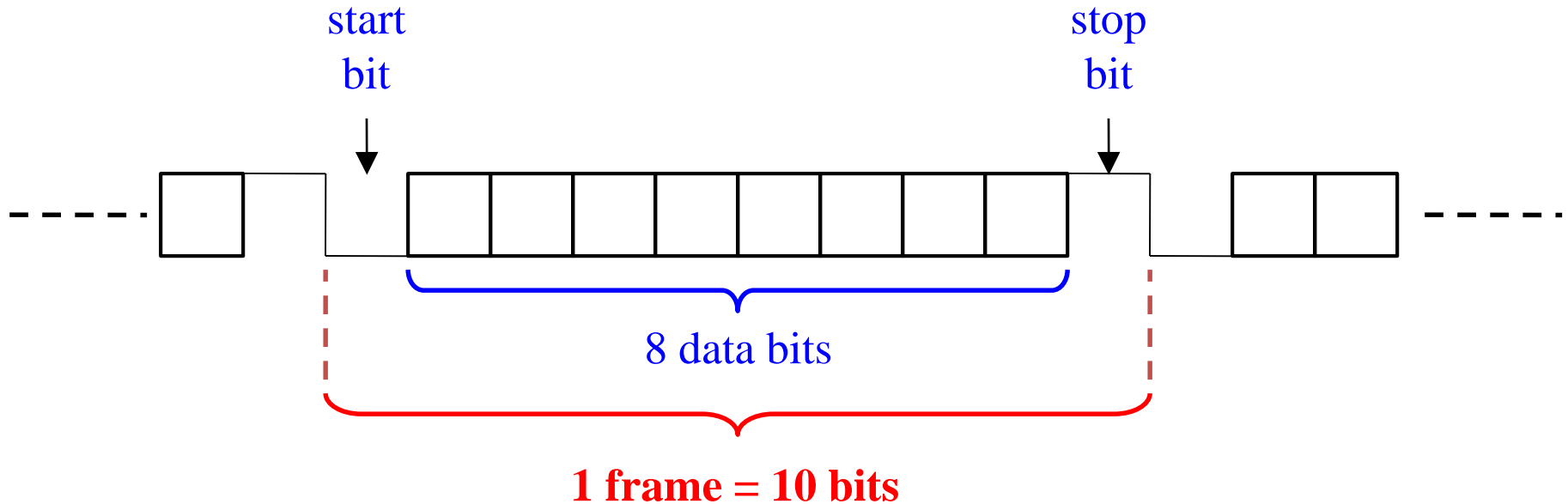
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# RS232 Protocol

1. In order for two devices to communicate, they must use a common language (**standard** or **protocol**).
2. **RS-232 standard** (Recommended Standard 232)  
A software standard for serial transmission between computers and peripheral devices (modem, mouse, keyboard, etc).
3. The PIC uses the USART hardware module to implement the RS-232 software standard.
4. The RS-232 protocol is still used in many industrial and scientific applications.

# RS232 Protocol



1. The PIC uses 1 start bit, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, and no parity bits.
2. A 9-data-bit option is available on the 16F877. Other options are available with other devices.

# Symbols and Bits

ASCII symbols encoded with the Baudot Code (1870): 5 bits per symbol (originally invented by Gauss and Weber in 1834).

Emile Baudot, 1845-1903,  
French telegraph engineer.

(No Model.)

J. M. E. BAUDOT.

PRINTING TELEGRAPH.

No. 388,244.

Patented Aug. 21, 1888.

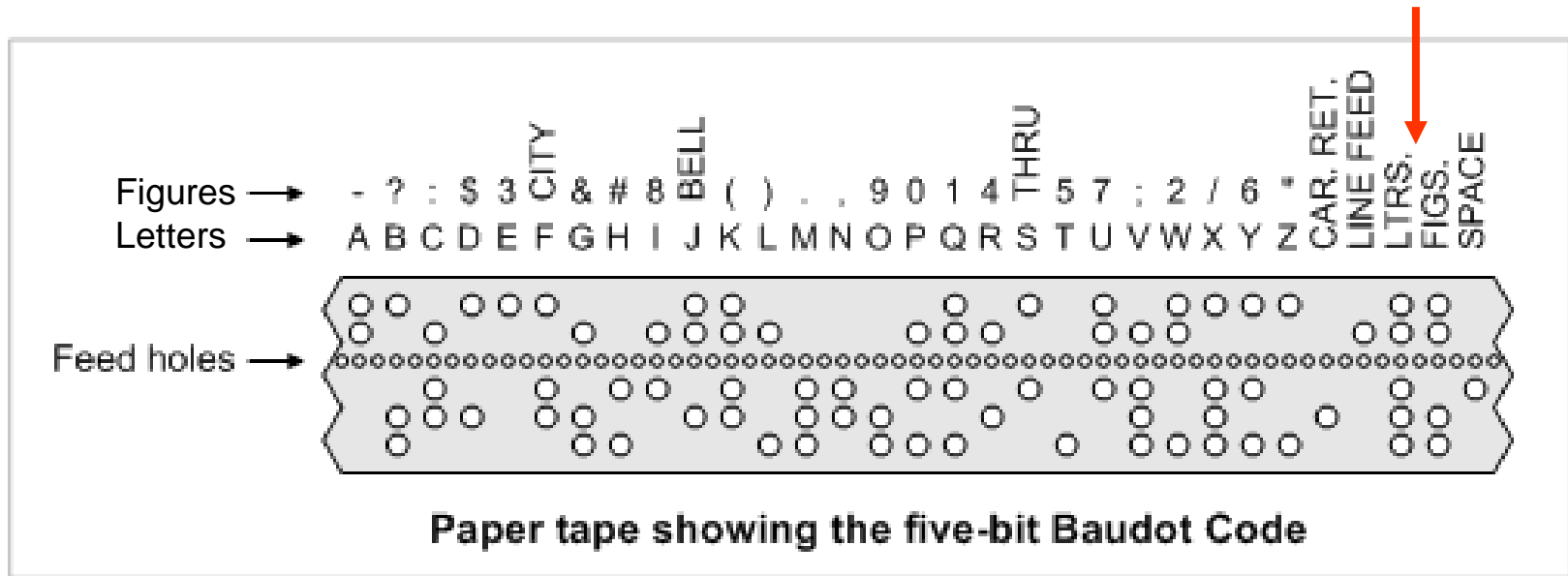
*Fig. 24.*

	1	2	3	4	5
A	+	-	-	-	-
B	-	-	+	+	-
C	+	+	+	+	-
D	+	+	+	+	-
E	+	+	-	-	-
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O	+	+	+	-	-
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INVENTOR:  
*Jean Maurice Emile Baudot*

5 bits per symbol

# Bit Rate and Baud Rate (or Symbol Rate)



1. Tape used to mechanically print symbols.
2. FIGS (Figure Shift) character sent to indicate following symbols are figures until a LTRS (Letter Shift) sent.
3.  $\text{bit rate (bits / sec)} = (\text{bits / symbol}) \times \text{symbol rate (symbols / sec)}$
4.  $\text{Baud rate} = \text{symbol rate}$



# RS232 Protocol

1. **Symbol** = group of bits
2. **Baud Rate** (or symbol rate) = symbols per second

(We will only consider 1-bit symbols)

3. In general, baud  $\neq$  bits per second (bps)  
(But if 1 symbol = 1 bit, then baud = bps)
4. PIC Example: if 1 symbol = 1 bit, a 9600 baud rate gives the transmission time per frame of

$$\frac{10 \text{ bits}}{1 \text{ frame}} \times \frac{1 \text{ s}}{9600 \text{ bits}} = 1.04 \frac{\text{ms}}{\text{frame}}$$

5. The most common RS232 format requires 10 bits to send each byte, so at 9600 baud you can send 960 bytes per second.

# RS232 Protocol

## 7-bit ASCII Table

ASCII = American Standard  
Code for Information Interchange

Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char
32	20	Space	64	40	@	96	60	`
33	21	!	65	41	A	97	61	a
34	22	"	66	42	B	98	62	b
35	23	#	67	43	C	99	63	c
36	24	\$	68	44	D	100	64	d
37	25	%	69	45	E	101	65	e
38	26	&	70	46	F	102	66	f
39	27	'	71	47	G	103	67	g
40	28	(	72	48	H	104	68	h
41	29	)	73	49	I	105	69	i
42	2A	*	74	4A	J	106	6A	j
43	2B	+	75	4B	K	107	6B	k
44	2C	,	76	4C	L	108	6C	l
45	2D	-	77	4D	M	109	6D	m
46	2E	.	78	4E	N	110	6E	n
47	2F	/	79	4F	O	111	6F	o
48	30	0	80	50	P	112	70	p
49	31	1	81	51	Q	113	71	q
50	32	2	82	52	R	114	72	r
51	33	3	83	53	S	115	73	s
52	34	4	84	54	T	116	74	t
53	35	5	85	55	U	117	75	u
54	36	6	86	56	V	118	76	v
55	37	7	87	57	W	119	77	w
56	38	8	88	58	X	120	78	x
57	39	9	89	59	Y	121	79	y
58	3A	:	90	5A	Z	122	7A	z
59	3B	;	91	5B	[	123	7B	{
60	3C	<	92	5C	\	124	7C	
61	3D	=	93	5D	]	125	7D	}
62	3E	>	94	5E	^	126	7E	~
63	3F	?	95	5F	_	127	7F	□

# RS232 Protocol

The PIC transmits one ASCII character per frame. Therefore,

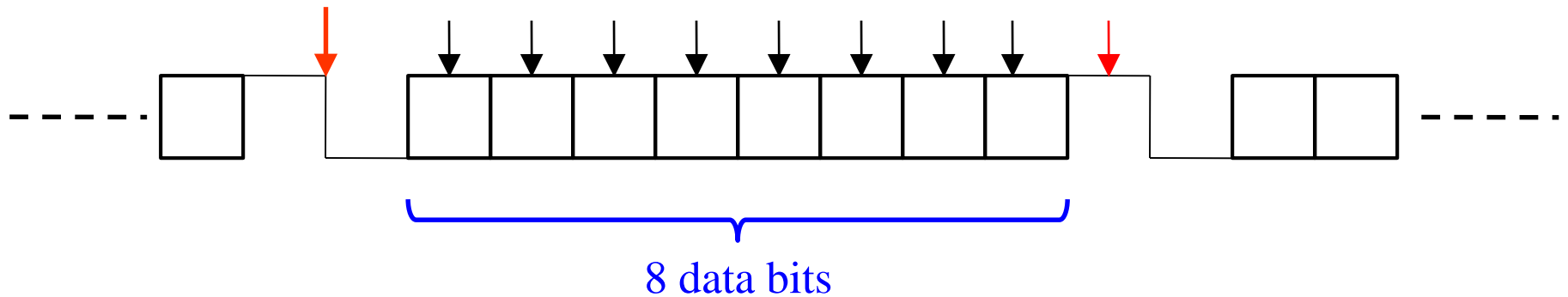
$$\text{Character Transmission Rate} \left( \frac{\text{characters}}{\text{s}} \right) = \frac{1}{\text{bits/frame}} \times \frac{1 \text{ character}}{1 \text{ frame}} \times \text{baud rate} \left( \frac{\text{bits}}{\text{s}} \right)$$

Standard baud rates supported by most serial ports:		
	110	300
	600	1200
	2400	4800
	9600	14400
	19200	28800
	38400	56000
	57600	115200

# RS232 Protocol

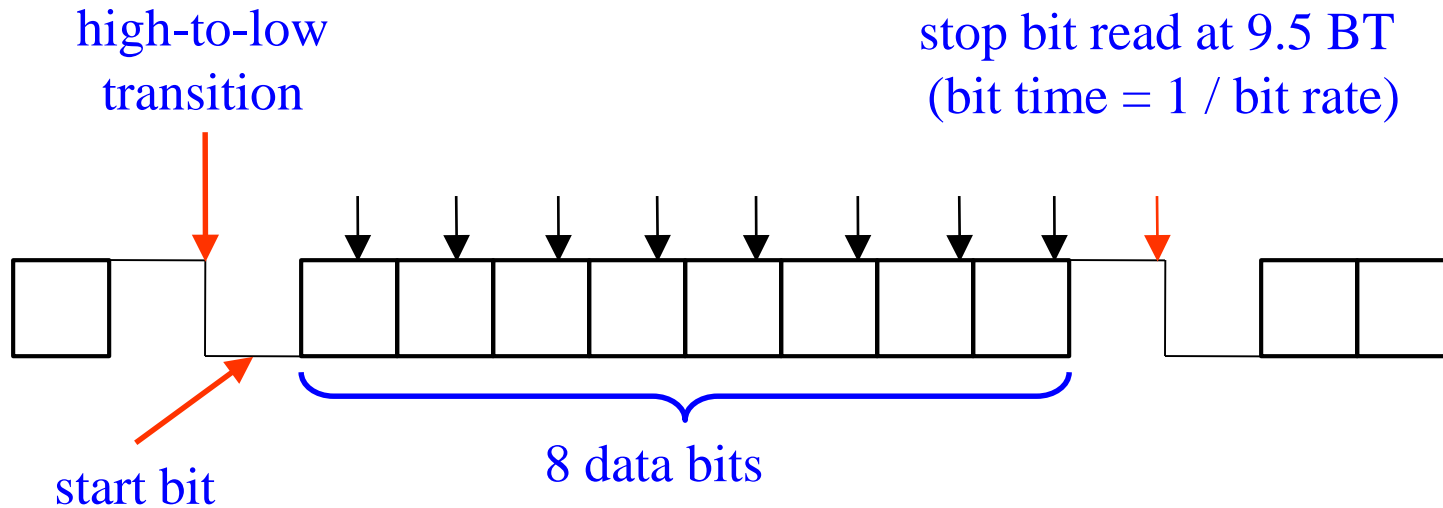
START bit begins at  
high-to-low transition

STOP bit read at 9.5 BT  
(BT = bit time =  $1 / \text{bit rate}$ )



1. A high-to-low transition is the beginning of the START bit.
2. The PIC attempts to read the data bits and the stop bit at the middle of each bit time interval.
3. STOP bit = 0 → **framing error (FERR) has occurred.**

# RS232 Protocol



1. Suppose the PIC baud generator clock is slow. How much can the clock be in error before communication is lost?
2. The PIC tries to read the stop bit at 9.5 BT. If it is off by more than 0.5 BT, then communication is lost.
3. Max allowable baud rate error =  $\pm 0.5 / 9.5 = \pm 5.3\%$
4. This is one reason for using a crystal oscillator rather than *RC* oscillator (more accurate).

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# USART Modes

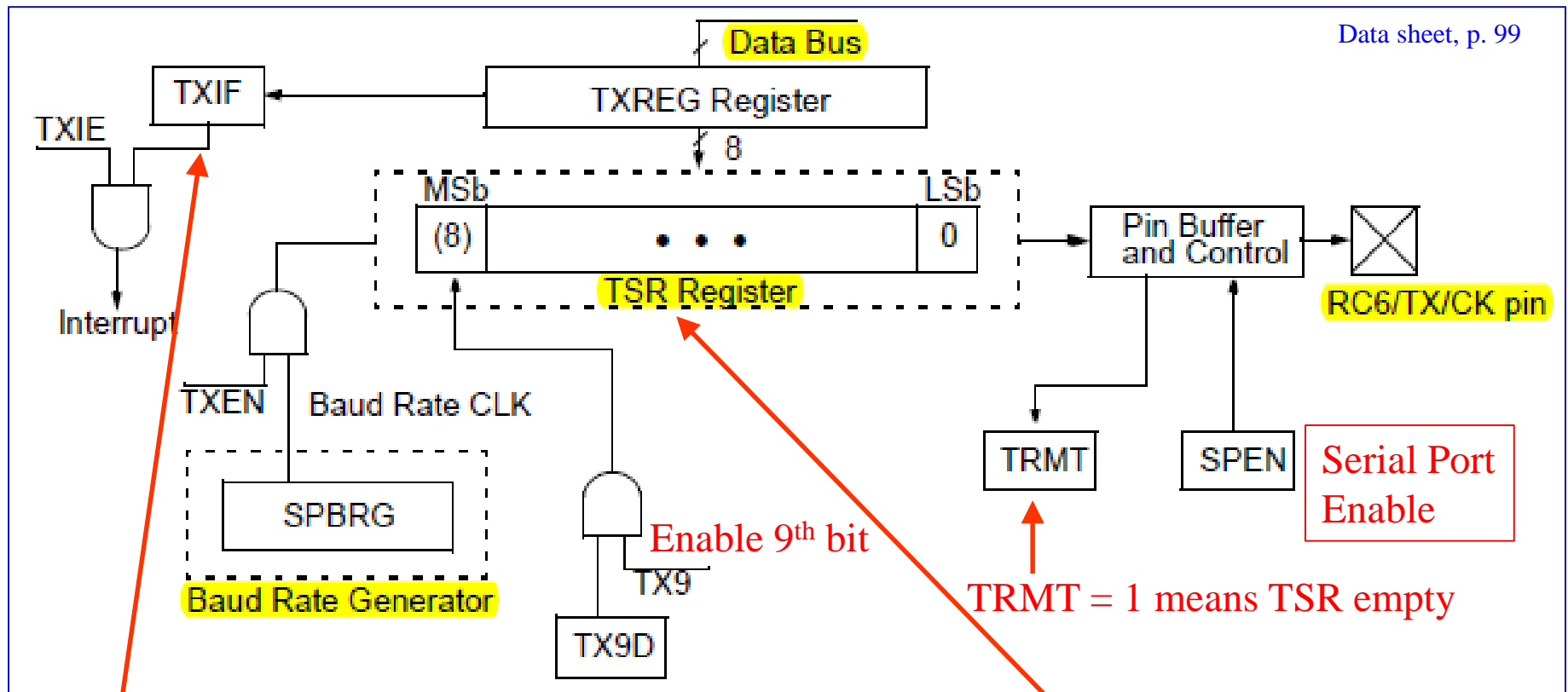
The USART can be configured in the following modes:

1. Asynchronous (full duplex)
2. Synchronous - Master (half duplex)
3. Synchronous - Slave (half duplex)

We will only use the asynchronous mode in lab06.

# USART Asynchronous Transmission

Transmission begins automatically after writing to TXREG (provided TXEN is set).



TXIF = 1 when TXREG is empty  
TXIF = 0 when TXREG is full (data loaded into TXREG)

Transmit Shift Register





# USART Registers

File Address	File Address	File Address	File Address
Indirect addr. <sup>(1)</sup> 00h	Indirect addr. <sup>(1)</sup> 80h	Indirect addr. <sup>(1)</sup> 100h	Indirect addr. <sup>(1)</sup> 180h
TMR0 01h	OPTION_REG 81h	TMR0 101h	OPTION_REG 181h
PCL 02h	PCL 82h	PCL 102h	PCL 182h
STATUS 03h	STATUS 83h	STATUS 103h	STATUS 183h
FSR 04h	FSR 84h	FSR 104h	FSR 184h
PORTA 05h	TRISA 85h		
PORTB 06h	TRISB 86h	PORTB 106h	TRISB 186h
PORTC 07h	TRISC 87h		
PORTD <sup>(1)</sup> 08h	TRISD <sup>(1)</sup> 88h		
PORTE <sup>(1)</sup> 09h	TRISE <sup>(1)</sup> 89h		
PCLATH 0Ah	PCLATH 8Ah	PCLATH 10Ah	PCLATH 18Ah
INTCON 0Bh	INTCON 8Bh	INTCON 10Bh	INTCON 18Bh
PIR1 0Ch	PIE1 8Ch	EEDATA 10Ch	EECON1 18Ch
PIR2 0Dh	PIE2 8Dh	EEADR 10Dh	EECON2 18Dh
TMR1L 0Eh	PCON 8Eh	EEDATH 10Eh	Reserved <sup>(2)</sup> 18Eh
TMR1H 0Fh		EEADRH 10Fh	Reserved <sup>(2)</sup> 18Fh
T1CON 10h			
TMR2 11h	SSPCON2 91h		
T2CON 12h	PR2 92h		
SSPBUF 13h	SSPADD 93h		
SSPCON 14h	SSPSTAT 94h		
CCPR1L 15h			
CCPR1H 16h			
CCP1CON 17h			
RCSTA 18h	TXSTA 98h	General Purpose Register 16 Bytes 117h	General Purpose Register 16 Bytes 197h
TXREG 19h	SPBRG 99h		
RCREG 1Ah			
CCPR2L 1Bh			
CCPR2H 1Ch			
CCP2CON 1Dh			
ADRESH 1Eh	ADRESL 9Eh		
ADCON0 1Fh	ADCON1 9Fh		
General Purpose Register 96 Bytes 6Fh 70h	General Purpose Register 80 Bytes A0h 160 EFh F0h	General Purpose Register 80 Bytes 120h 288 16Fh 170h	General Purpose Register 80 Bytes 1A0h 416 1EFh 1F0h
	accesses 70h-7Fh FFh	accesses 70h-7Fh 17Fh	accesses 70h - 7Fh 1FFh
Bank 0 127	Bank 1 255	Bank 2 383	Bank 3 511

**REGISTER 10-2: RCSTA: RECEIVE STATUS AND CONTROL REGISTER (ADDRESS 18h)**

R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R-0	R-0	R-x
SPEN	RX9	SREN	CREN	ADDEN	FERR	OERR	RX9D
bit 7						bit 0	

- bit 7 **SPEN**: Serial Port Enable bit  
 1 = Serial port enabled (configures RC7/RX/DT and RC6/TX/CK pins as serial port pins)  
 0 = Serial port disabled
- bit 6 **RX9**: 9-bit Receive Enable bit  
 1 = Selects 9-bit reception  
 0 = Selects 8-bit reception
- bit 5 **SREN**: Single Receive Enable bit  
Asynchronous mode:  
 Don't care  
Synchronous mode - master:  
 1 = Enables single receive  
 0 = Disables single receive  
 This bit is cleared after reception is complete.  
Synchronous mode - slave:  
 Don't care
- bit 4 **CREN**: Continuous Receive Enable bit  
Asynchronous mode:  
 1 = Enables continuous receive  
 0 = Disables continuous receive  
Synchronous mode:  
 1 = Enables continuous receive until enable bit CREN is cleared (CREN overrides SREN)  
 0 = Disables continuous receive
- bit 3 **ADDEN**: Address Detect Enable bit  
Asynchronous mode 9-bit (RX9 = 1):  
 1 = Enables address detection, enables interrupt and load of the receive buffer when RSR<8> is set  
 0 = Disables address detection, all bytes are received, and ninth bit can be used as parity bit
- bit 2 **FERR**: Framing Error bit  
 1 = Framing error (can be updated by reading RCREG register and receive next valid byte)  
 0 = No framing error
- bit 1 **OERR**: Overrun Error bit  
 1 = Overrun error (can be cleared by clearing bit CREN)  
 0 = No overrun error
- bit 0 **RX9D**: 9th bit of Received Data (can be parity bit, but must be calculated by user firmware)

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**REGISTER 10-1: TXSTA: TRANSMIT STATUS AND CONTROL REGISTER (ADDRESS 98h)**

R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	R/W-0	U-0	R/W-0	R-1	R/W-0
CSRC	TX9	TXEN	SYNC	—	BRGH	TRMT	TX9D
bit 7						bit 0	

bit 7 **CSRC:** Clock Source Select bit  
Asynchronous mode:  
 Don't care  
Synchronous mode:  
 1 = Master mode (clock generated internally from BRG)  
 0 = Slave mode (clock from external source)

bit 6 **TX9:** 9-bit Transmit Enable bit  
 1 = Selects 9-bit transmission  
 0 = Selects 8-bit transmission

bit 5 **TXEN:** Transmit Enable bit  
 1 = Transmit enabled  
 0 = Transmit disabled

**Note:** SREN/CREN overrides TXEN in SYNC mode.

bit 4 **SYNC:** USART Mode Select bit  
 1 = Synchronous mode  
 0 = Asynchronous mode

bit 3 **Unimplemented:** Read as '0'

bit 2 **BRGH:** High Baud Rate Select bit  
Asynchronous mode:  
 1 = High speed  
 0 = Low speed  
Synchronous mode:  
 Unused in this mode

bit 1 **TRMT:** Transmit Shift Register Status bit  
 1 = TSR empty  
 0 = TSR full

bit 0 **TX9D:** 9th bit of Transmit Data, can be parity bit

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# Baud Rate Generator (BRG)

The Baud Rate Generator can run in two modes:

- **Low speed:** TXSTA<BRGH> = TXSTA<2> = 0

$$\text{Baud Rate} = \frac{F_{\text{osc}}}{64(\text{SPBRG} + 1)} \quad [\text{bits/sec}]$$

- **High speed:** TXSTA<BRGH> = TXSTA<2> = 1

$$\text{Baud Rate} = \frac{F_{\text{osc}}}{16(\text{SPBRG} + 1)} \quad [\text{bits/sec}]$$

The Baud Rate is determined by the value of the BRGH bit and the value we put in SPBRG register.

## Baud Rate Example (Low Speed: BRGH = 0)

1. Example:  $F_{\text{osc}} = 10 \text{ MHz}$ , desire 9600 baud.
2. 
$$\text{SPBRG} = \frac{F_{\text{osc}}}{64(\text{Baud Rate})} - 1 = \frac{10 \text{ MHz}}{64(9600)} - 1 = 15.3$$
3. Round to the nearest integer (do not truncate)
4.  $\text{SPBRG} = 15$
5. Check baud rate error:
6. 
$$\text{Baud Rate} = \frac{10 \text{ MHz}}{64(15+1)} = 9766 \text{ [bits/sec]}$$
7. 
$$\text{Error} = (9766 - 9600) / 9600 = 1.7 \%$$

## Baud Rate Example (High Speed: BRGH = 1)

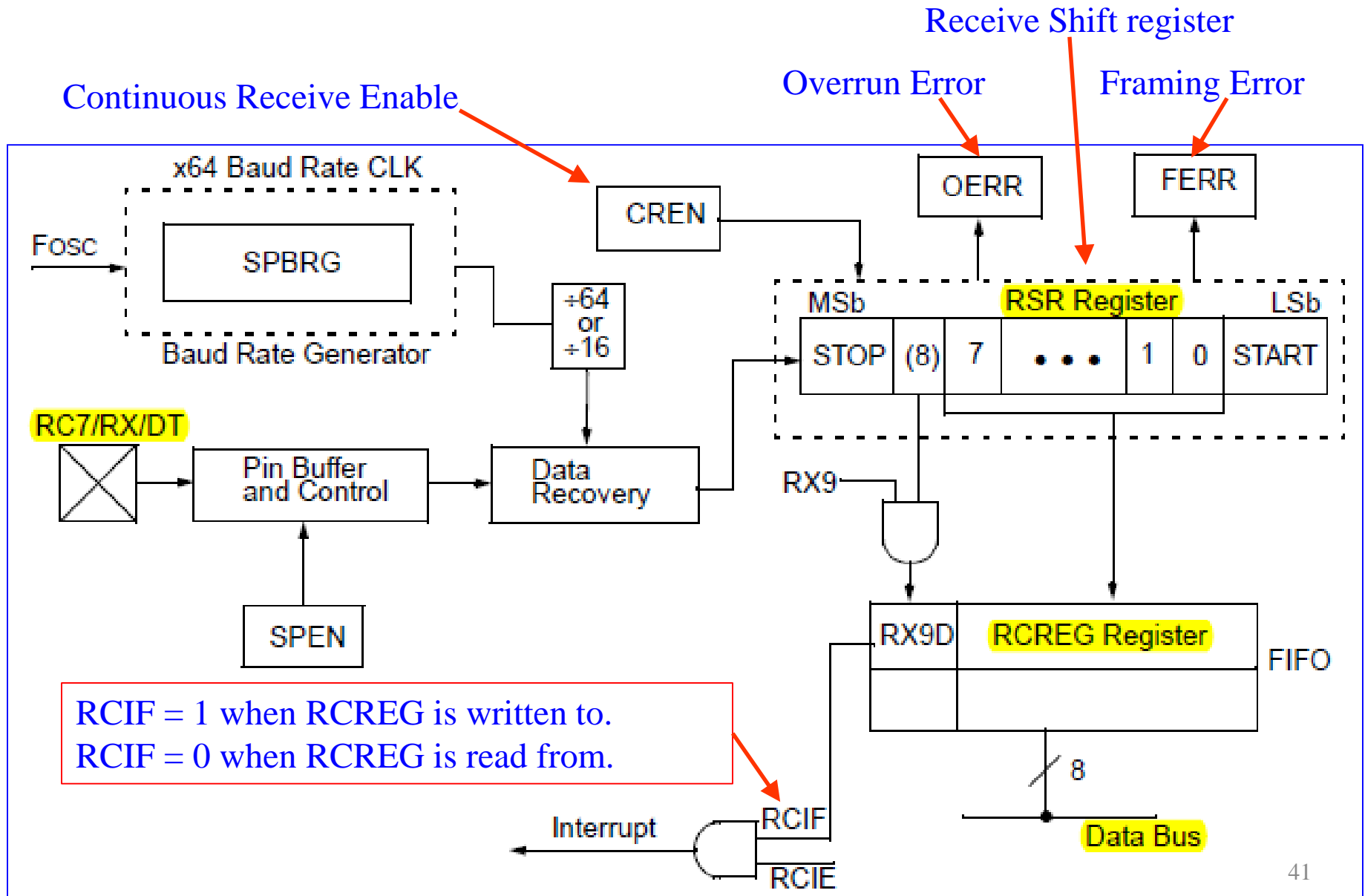
1. Example:  $F_{\text{osc}} = 10 \text{ MHz}$ , desire 9600 baud
2. 
$$\text{SPBRG} = \frac{F_{\text{osc}}}{16(\text{Baud Rate})} - 1 = \frac{10 \text{ MHz}}{16(9600)} - 1 = 64.1$$
3. Round to the nearest integer (do not truncate)
4.  $\text{SPBRG} = 64$
5. 
$$\text{Baud Rate} = \frac{10 \text{ MHz}}{16(64 + 1)} = 9615 \text{ [bits/sec]}$$
6.  $\text{Error} = (9615 - 9600) / 9600 = 0.16 \%$
7. **In this example, the high speed mode gives a more accurate baud rate.**

# Asynchronous Transmission Steps

1. Set BRGH (high/low) and SPBRG (0 - 255) for desired baud rate.
2. RCSTA< SPEN > = 1 (serial port enable)  
TXSTA< SYNC > = 0 (asynchronous mode)  
TXSTA< TXEN > = 1 (transmit enable)
3. TRISC< 6 > = 0 (RC6/TX pin = output)
4. TXREG empty: TXIF = 1 (Ready for data)  
TSR empty: TRMT = 1 (Ready for data)
5. Load TXREG with data to transmit.  
TXREG full: TXIF = 0 for one instruction cycle
6. Data automatically moved from TXREG to TSR (TXREG empty: TXIF = 1)  
Transmission automatically starts (TSR not empty: TRMT = 0 )
7. Transmission complete (TSR empty: TRMT = 1)



# USART Asynchronous Reception



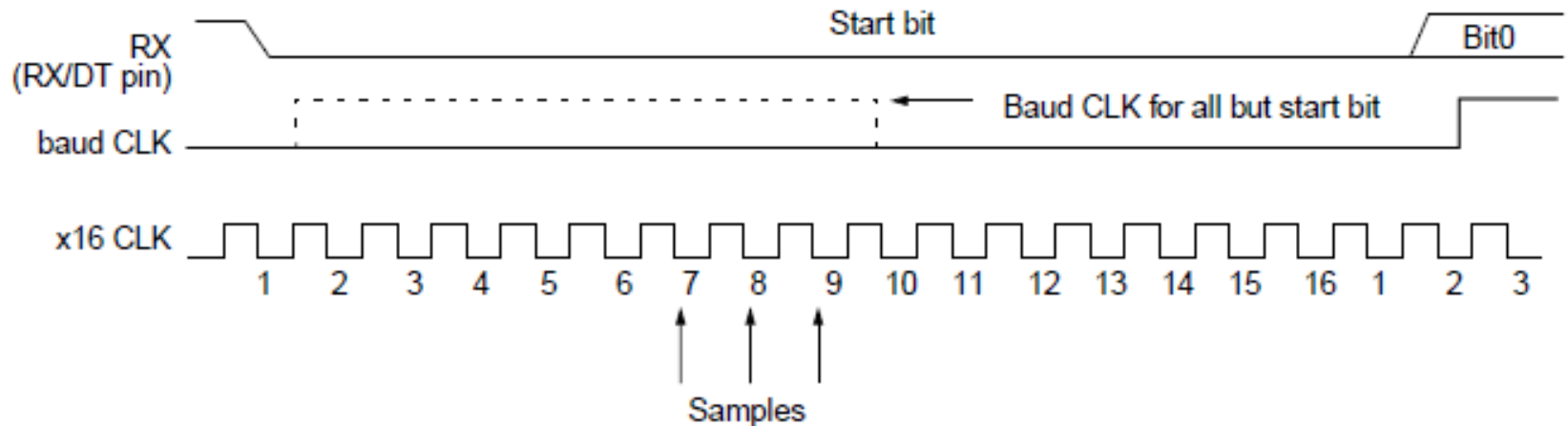
# Asynchronous Reception Steps

1. Set BRGH and SPBRG for desired baud rate.
2. RCSTA< SPEN > = 1 (USART enable)  
TXSTA< SYNC > = 0 (asynchronous mode)  
RCSTA< CREN > = 1 (receive enable)
3. TRISC< 7 > = 1 (RC7/RX pin = input) (This is the default.)
4. If required, enable RX interrupt  
INTCON< GIE : PEIE > = 11, PEI1< RCIE > = 1
5. When data comes in RX pin, PIR1< RCIF > = 1 and RCREG contains the data.
6. After we read data from RCREG, RCIF is automatically cleared.

# USART Asynchronous Reception

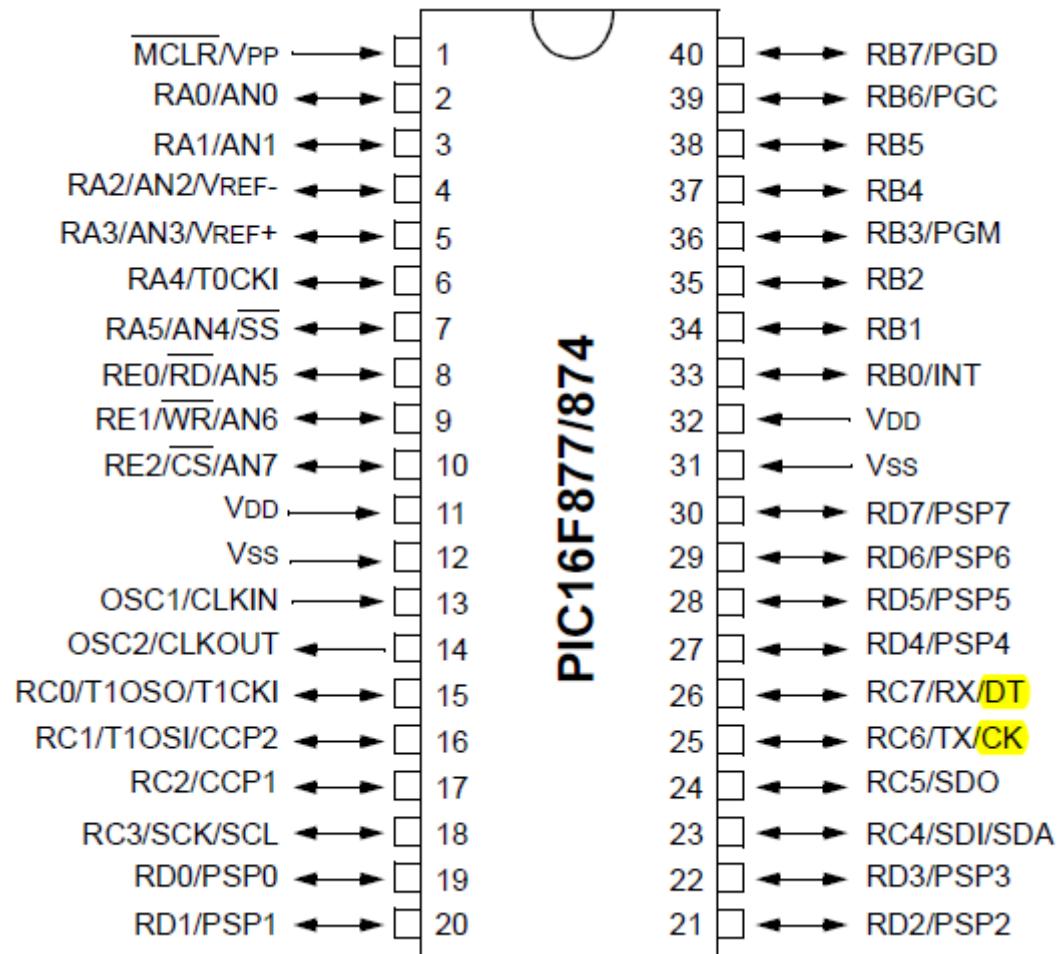
The data on the RX pin is sampled three times by a majority detect circuit to determine if a high or a low level is present on the RX pin.

Figure 18-6: RX Pin Sampling Scheme, BRGH = 0 or BRGH = 1



# USART Synchronous Reception

The USART can be used for **synchronous** serial communications by using RC6 for the **clock** signal and RC7 for **data** (transmit or receive, half-duplex).



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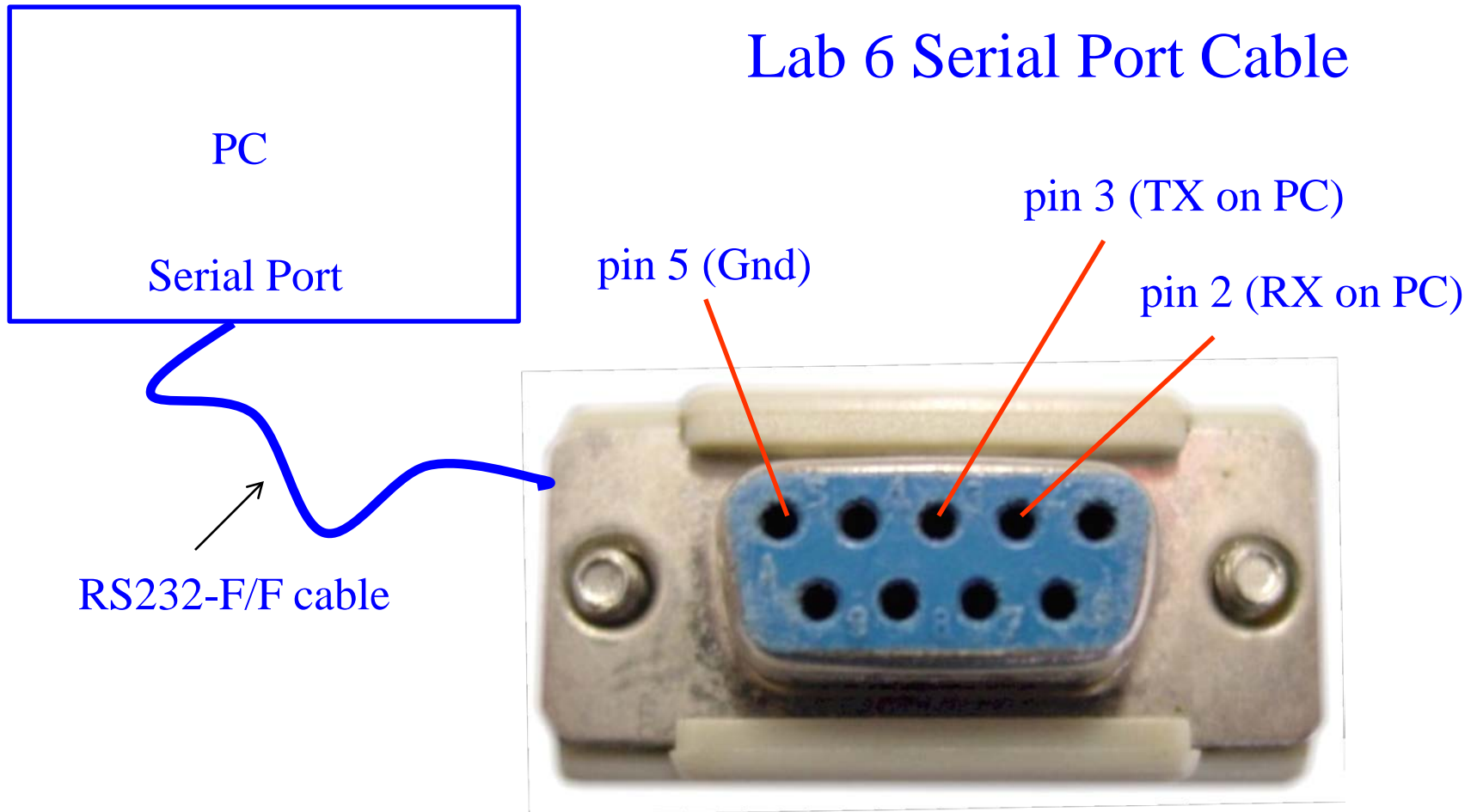
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## Asynchronous Transmission

Transmit characters A – Z from the PIC, one character per half second, to be received by the Serial Port Program on the PC.

## Lab 6 Serial Port Cable



Use the Serial Port Program to run a loop-back test by connecting pins 2 and 3. This verifies that your cable is good and that your PC serial port is working correctly.

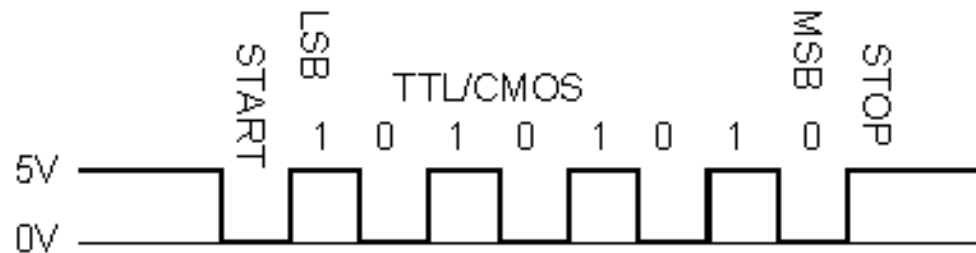
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The USART on the PIC cannot communicate directly with the RS232 port on the computer because they operate at different voltage levels and polarities.

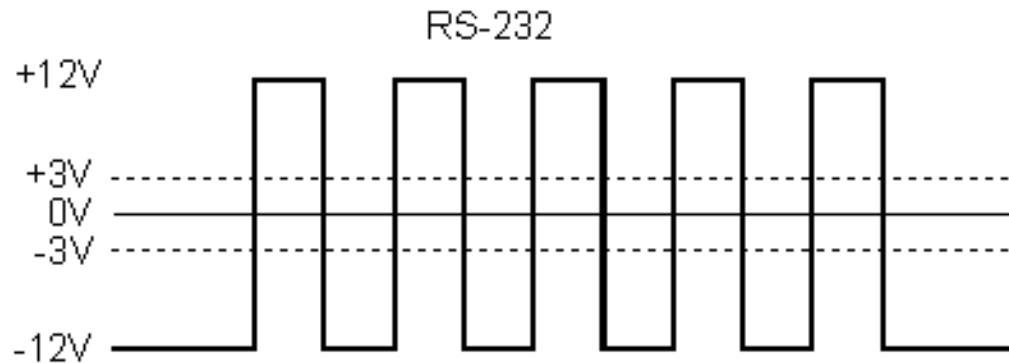
**Damage will occur if you connect the PC serial port directly to the PIC.**

TTL Level

ASCII "U" = 85 Decimal = 55 Hexidecimal = 01010101 Binary



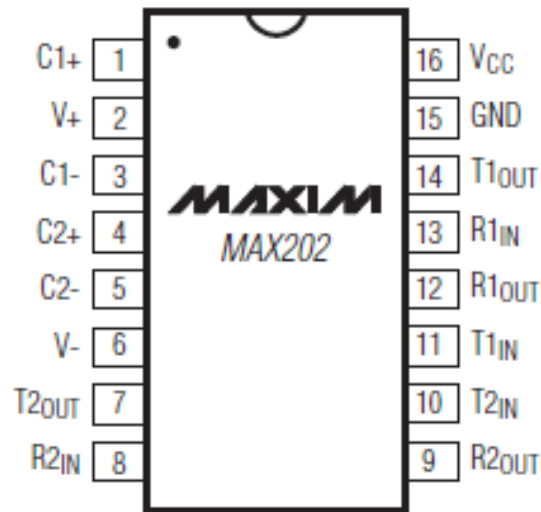
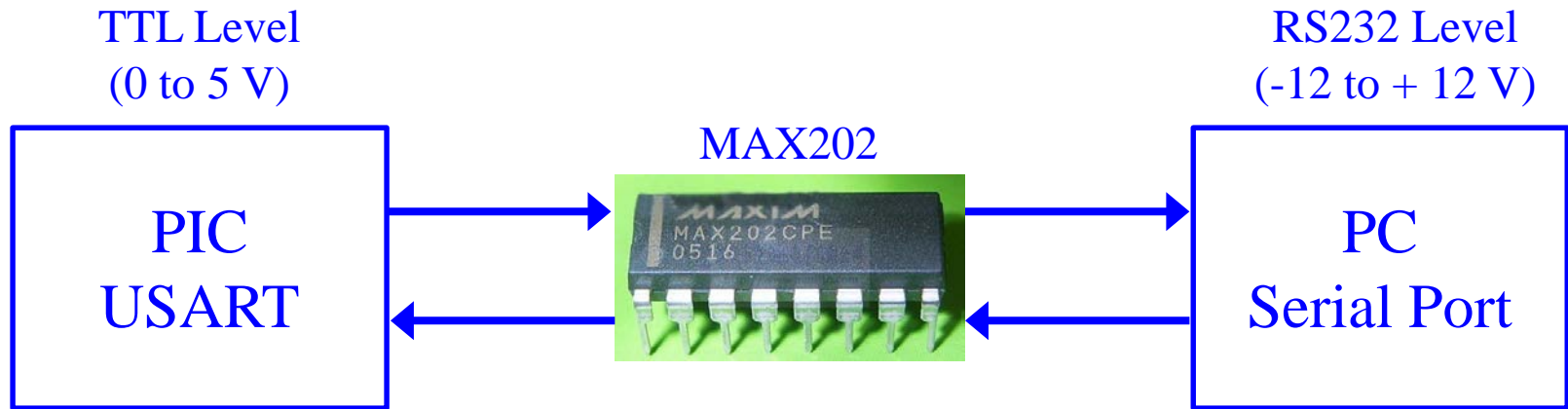
RS232 Level



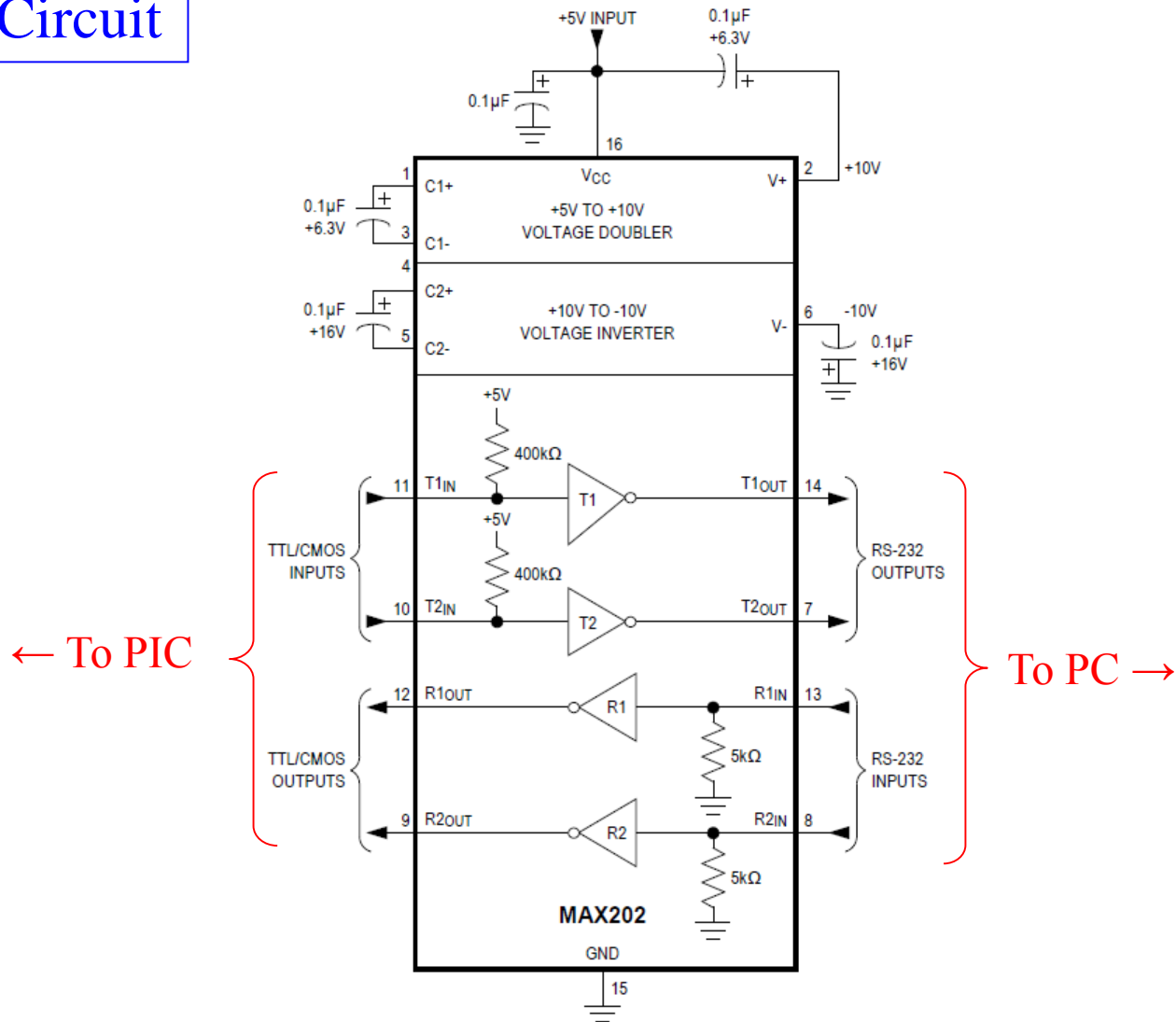


# Lab 6 Setup

We need an interface between the two levels. The MAX202 transceiver (transmitter/receiver) is commonly used.

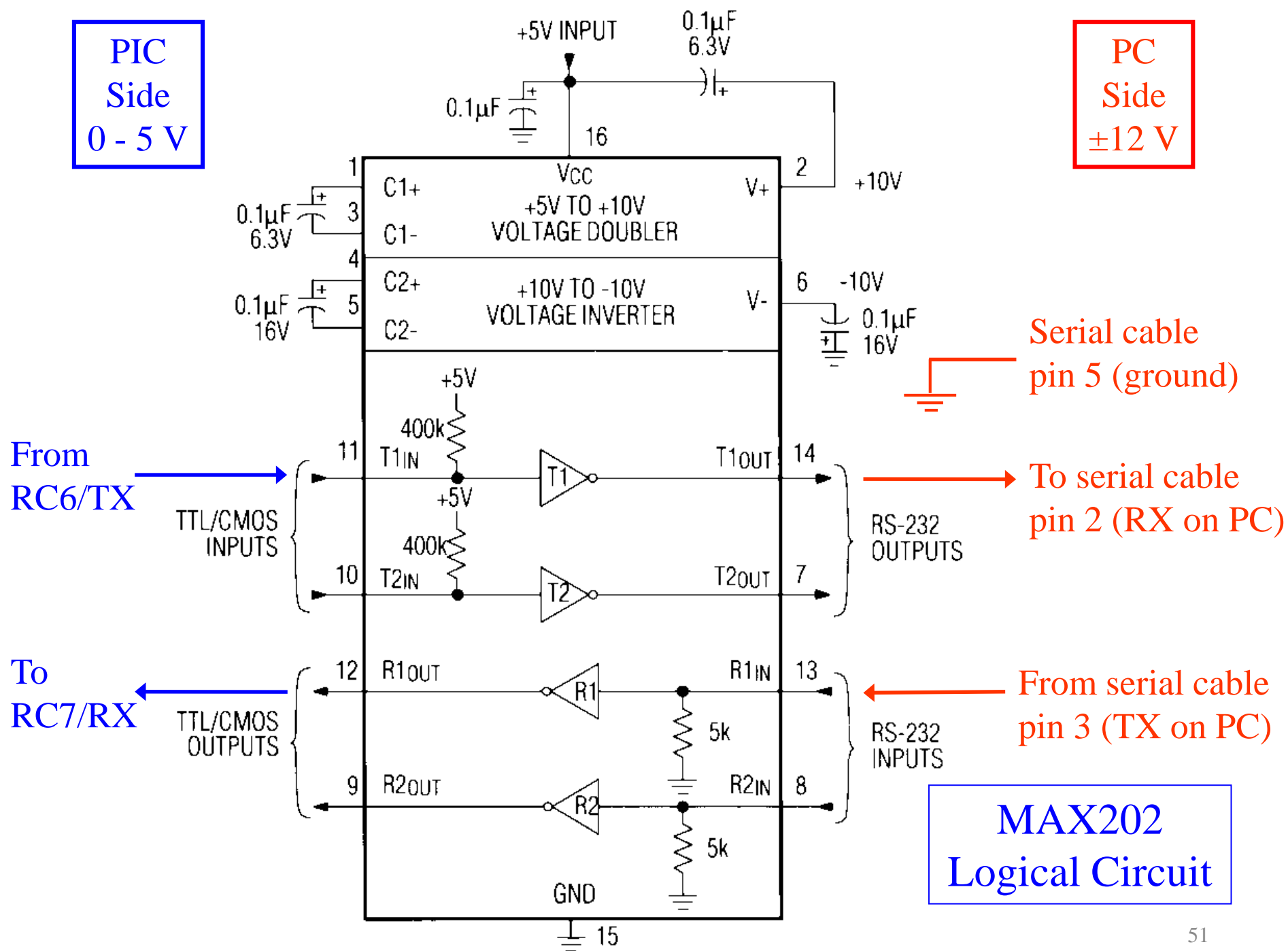


# MAX202 Logical Circuit



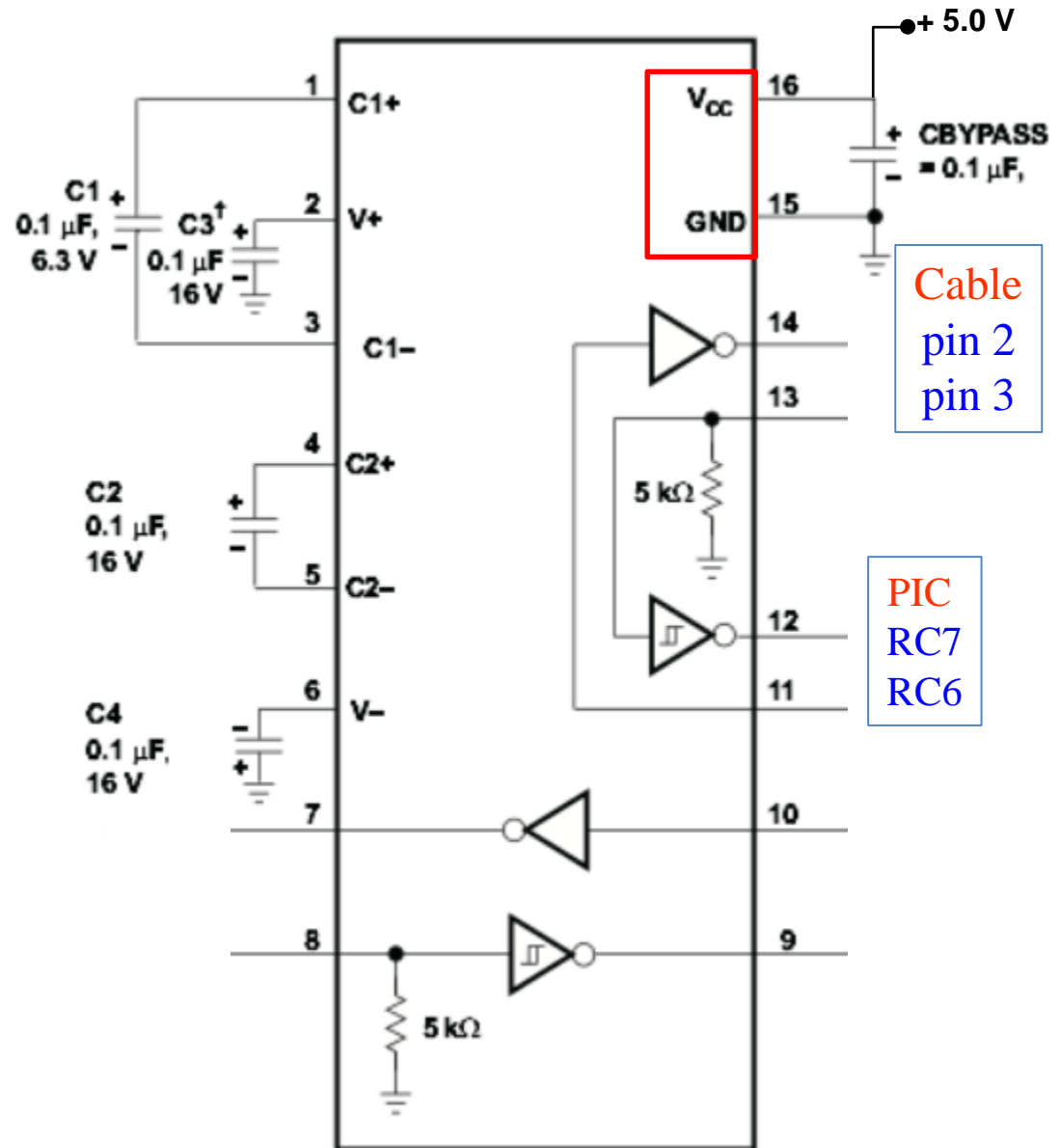
PIC  
Side  
0 - 5 V

PC  
Side  
 $\pm 12$  V

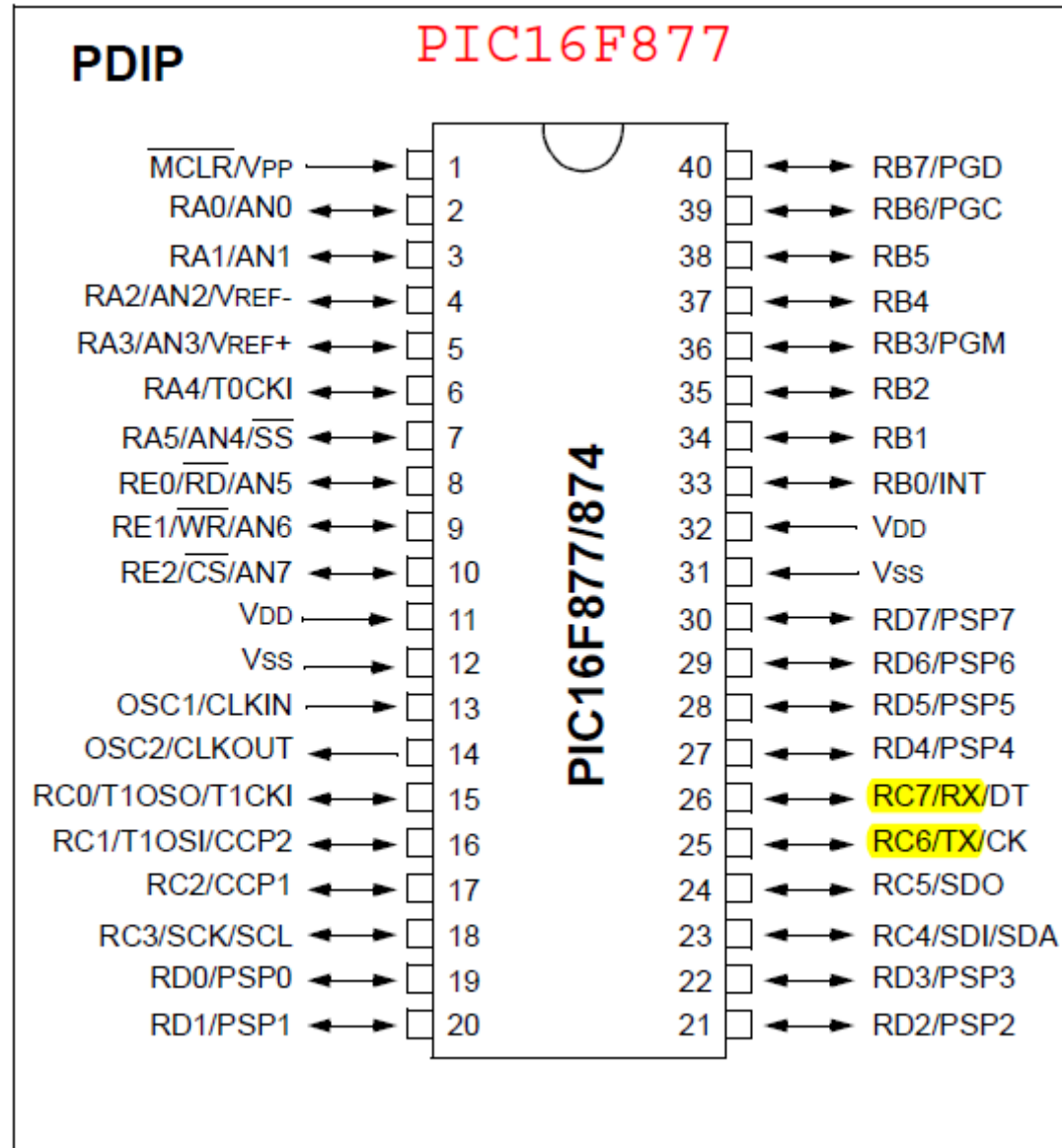


1. The diagram on the previous slide is a **logical** representation of the circuit connections.
2. Use the diagram on the right for **physical** connections. Note the polarities of the capacitors.
3. **Caution:** The voltage from the PC serial port is  $\pm 12$  volts. Be sure your connections are correct before connecting the MAX202 to the PIC and connecting the PC serial port.

## MAX202 Physical Circuit

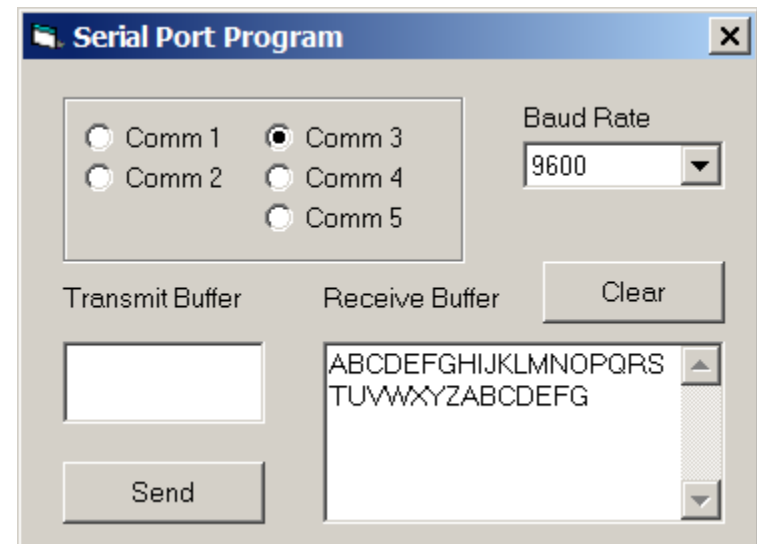


# USART TX and RX Pins



# Lab 6 Setup

1. Download the SerialPortProgram.zip file from the Resources folder. This is a Windows application.
2. Unzip and run setup.exe to install the program shown below.
3. If the PC you are using does not have a serial port, you need a serial port or a USB-to-Serial adapter.
4. The Comm Port you select depends on your computer.
5. In order to run the Serial Port Program on the lab computers, double click on serial.exe



## Lab06a.asm

### Asynchronous Transmission

If the USART is enabled  
(SPEN = 1), TRISC<6>  
is automatically cleared  
when TXEN is set.

```
Init

    banksel RCSTA      ; Enable the USART serial port
    bsf      RCSTA, SPEN

    banksel TXSTA
    bcf      TXSTA, SYNC ; Set up the USART for asynchronous operation
    bsf      TXSTA, TXEN ; Transmit enabled. If the USART is enabled
                        ; (SPEN = 1), TRISC<6> is automatically
                        ; cleared when TXEN is set.

    bsf      TXSTA, BRGH ; High baud rate

    movlw    D'23'      ; This sets the baud rate to 9600
    banksel  SPBRG      ; assuming BRGH = 1 and Fosc = 3.6864 MHz
    movwf    SPBRG      ; SPBRG = Fosc/(16*(Baud Rate)) - 1 = 23

                        ; TRISC<6> is automatically cleared when TXEN
                        ; is set, if the USART is enabled.

    banksel PIE1      ; Enable the Timer2 interrupt for the
    bsf      PIE1, TMR2IE ; 1/2 sec delay.

    banksel INTCON      ; Enable global and peripheral interrupts
    bsf      INTCON, GIE
    bsf      INTCON, PEIE

    movlw    D'230'     ; Set up the Timer2 Period register
    banksel  PR2        ; Timer2 period = Prescaler * (PR2 + 1) *
    movwf    PR2        ; Postscaler * 4 * Tosc = 4 * 231 * 2 *
                        ; 1.085 usec = 2.00 ms.

    movlw    B'00001101' ; Postscale = 2, Timer2 ON, prescaler = 4
    banksel  T2CON
    movwf    T2CON

    movlw    D'65'      ; Initialize the serial port output to "A"
    movlw    "A"        ; This is another way to load "A" into the
    movwf    TX_temp    ; W register.
    return
```

## Lab06a.asm

MainLoop

```
    call    Delay_500ms

    movf    TX_temp, W    ; W = TX_temp
    movwf   TXREG         ; Transmit TX_temp. When a byte is moved
                           ; into TXREG, the USART immediately
                           ; transmits the byte from the PIC's TX pin to
                           ; the RX pin on the serial port on the PC.

    addlw   1             ; W = TX_temp + 1
    movwf   TX_temp       ; TX_temp = TX_temp + 1

    sublw   "Z" + 1       ; W = "Z" + 1 - W
                           ; "Z" + 1 = 0x5A + 1 = 0x5B (See note below).

    btfss   STATUS, 2     ; If W = 0 (STATUS<Z> = 1), then
                           ; TX_temp = "Z" + 1, so the character just
                           ; sent was a "Z". Skip the next instruction
                           ; and reset TX_temp to "A".

    goto    MainLoop      ; Else goto MainLoop and send the next
                           ; character.

    movlw   "A"           ; Reset TX_temp to "A"
    movwf   TX_temp       ; Transmit "A"

    goto    MainLoop      ; Repeat indefinitely

; Note: The assembler can perform many operations that are not
; covered in this course. See Page 43 of the MPASM Assembler
; User Guide.
```



# Lab06b.asm

## Asynchronous Reception

Transmit 0, 1, 2, or X from the Serial Port Program on the PC to be received by the serial port on the PIC – turn on the LED connected to RC0, RC1, or RC2, or turn off (X) all LEDs

## Lab06b.asm

Init

```
banksel RCSTA
bsf      RCSTA, SPEN ; Enable the USART serial port
bsf      RCSTA, CREN ; Enable serial port reception

banksel TXSTA
bcf      TXSTA, SYNC ; Set up the USART for asynchronous operation
bsf      TXSTA, BRGH ; High baud rate

movlw    D'23'        ; This sets the baud rate to 9600
banksel  SPBRG         ; assuming BRGH = 1 and Fosc = 3.6864 MHz
movwf    SPBRG         ; SPBRG = Fosc/(16*(Baud Rate)) - 1 = 23

banksel  PIE1          ; Enable the Serial Port Reception Interrupt
bsf      PIE1, RCIE

banksel  INTCON         ; Enable global and peripheral interrupts
bsf      INTCON, GIE
bsf      INTCON, PEIE

banksel  TRISC          ; Set PortC bits 0, 1, and 2 as outputs
                        ; Set RC7/RX as an input pin

movlw    B'11111000'
movwf    TRISC

banksel  PORTC          ; Clear PortC bits 0, 1, and 2
clrf     PORTC

return
```

## Lab06b.asm

### Receive

```
    movf    RCREG, W      ; Read and empty the RCREG register.

    sublw   D'48'         ; W = 48 - W.  (ASCII "0" = 0x48)

    btfsc   STATUS, Z     ; Check if a "0" was received
    goto    LED0          ; If so (W = 0, Z = 1), don't skip.

    movf    RCREG, W      ; If not, read RCREG again.
    sublw   D'49'         ; Check if a "1" was received
    btfsc   STATUS, Z
    goto    LED1

    movf    RCREG, W
    sublw   D'50'         ; Check if a "2" was received
    btfsc   STATUS, Z
    goto    LED2

    movf    RCREG, W
    sublw   D'88'         ; Check if an "X" was received
    btfsc   STATUS, Z
    goto    LEDOff
    return
```

## ... Receive Routine (continued) ...

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```
LED0                                ; Turn on RC0

    movlw    B'00000001'
    movwf    PORTC
    return

LED1                                ; Turn on RC1

    movlw    B'00000010'
    movwf    PORTC
    return

LED2                                ; Turn on RC2

    movlw    B'00000100'
    movwf    PORTC
    return

LEDOff                              ; Turn off RC0, RC1, and RC2

    clrf     PORTC
    return
```

# PIC Serial Communications

For a narrative on PIC serial communications, see Chapter 9  
of

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End of Lab 6