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Laboratory Lesson 4: -Timers

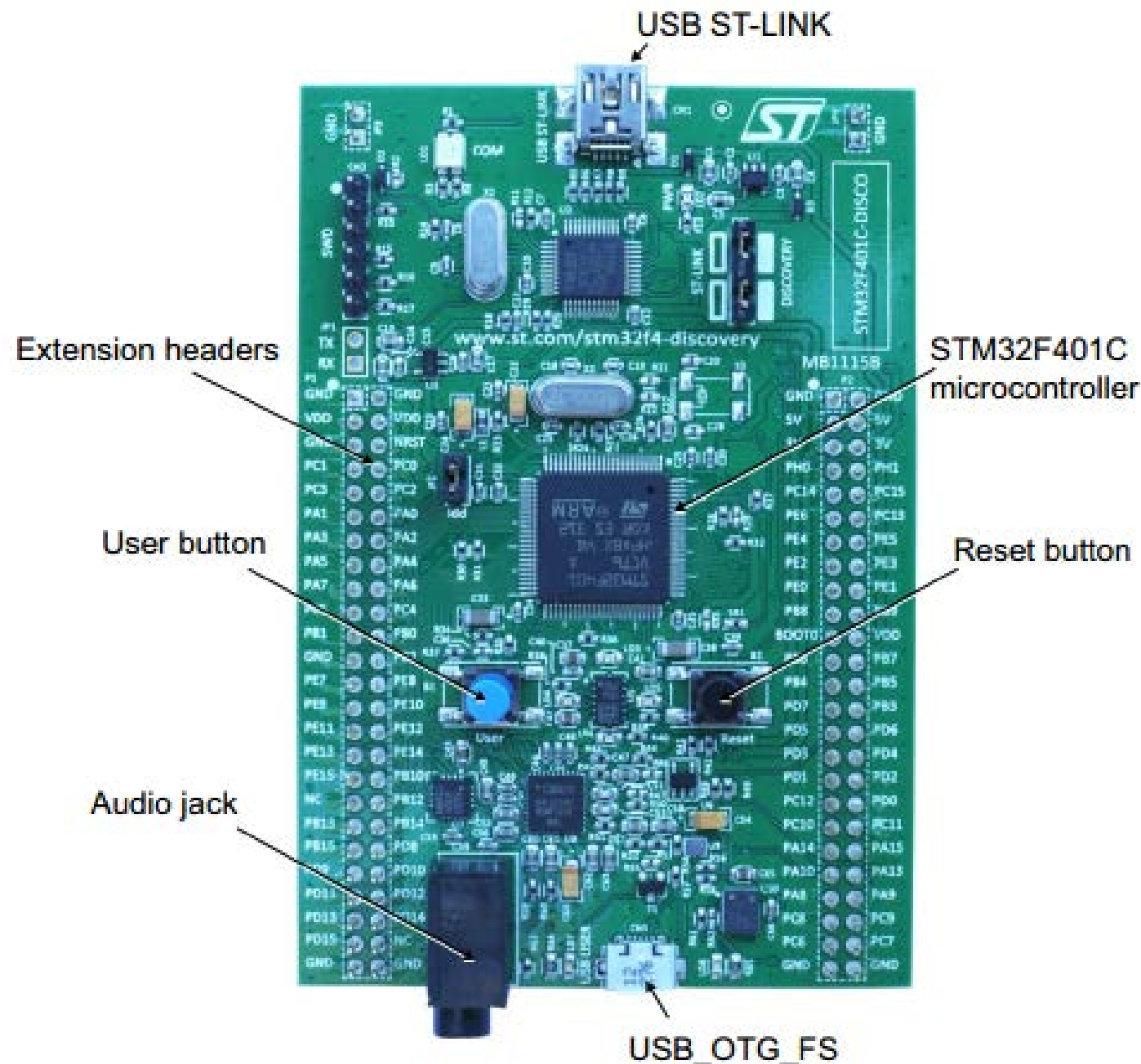
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Course Organization

- Hands-on session LAB1 **Thursday 15.00 – 19.00**
- Prof Benini Friday **9.00 – 11.00** room 5.5
- Lab is available **Friday 11.00 – 13.00**
- Check website for **announcements, course material:**
<http://www-micrel.deis.unibo.it/LABARCH>
- Final Exam:
 - Homeworks (**to be checked weekly**)
 - Final project
 - Final discussion (homeworks + final project)

STM32F401 Discovery Kit



References:

- STM32F401xB STM32F401xC datasheet
- STM32F40xxx advanced ARM®-based 32-bit MCUs reference manual (RM0344)
- Discovery kit for STM32F401 line (UM1669)
- Getting started with STM32F401 Discovery software development tools (UM1671)



#6 Timers

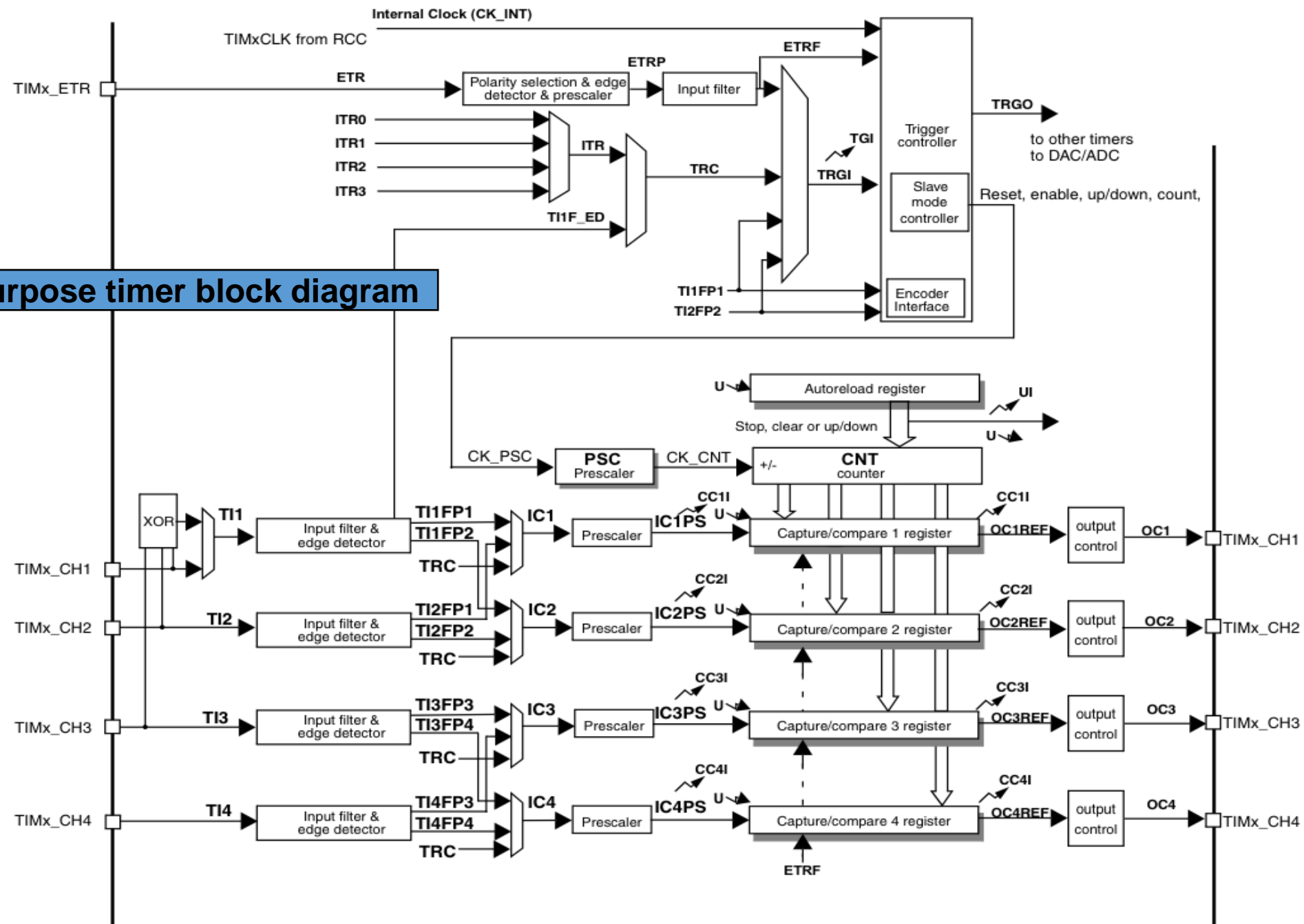
Timers

- The general-purpose timers consist of a **16-bit auto-reload counter** driven by a programmable prescaler.
- They may be used for a variety of purposes, including **measuring the pulse lengths of input signals** (input capture) or **generating output waveforms** (PWM).
- Pulse lengths and waveform periods can be modulated **from a few microseconds to several milliseconds** using the timer prescaler and the RCC clock controller prescalers.

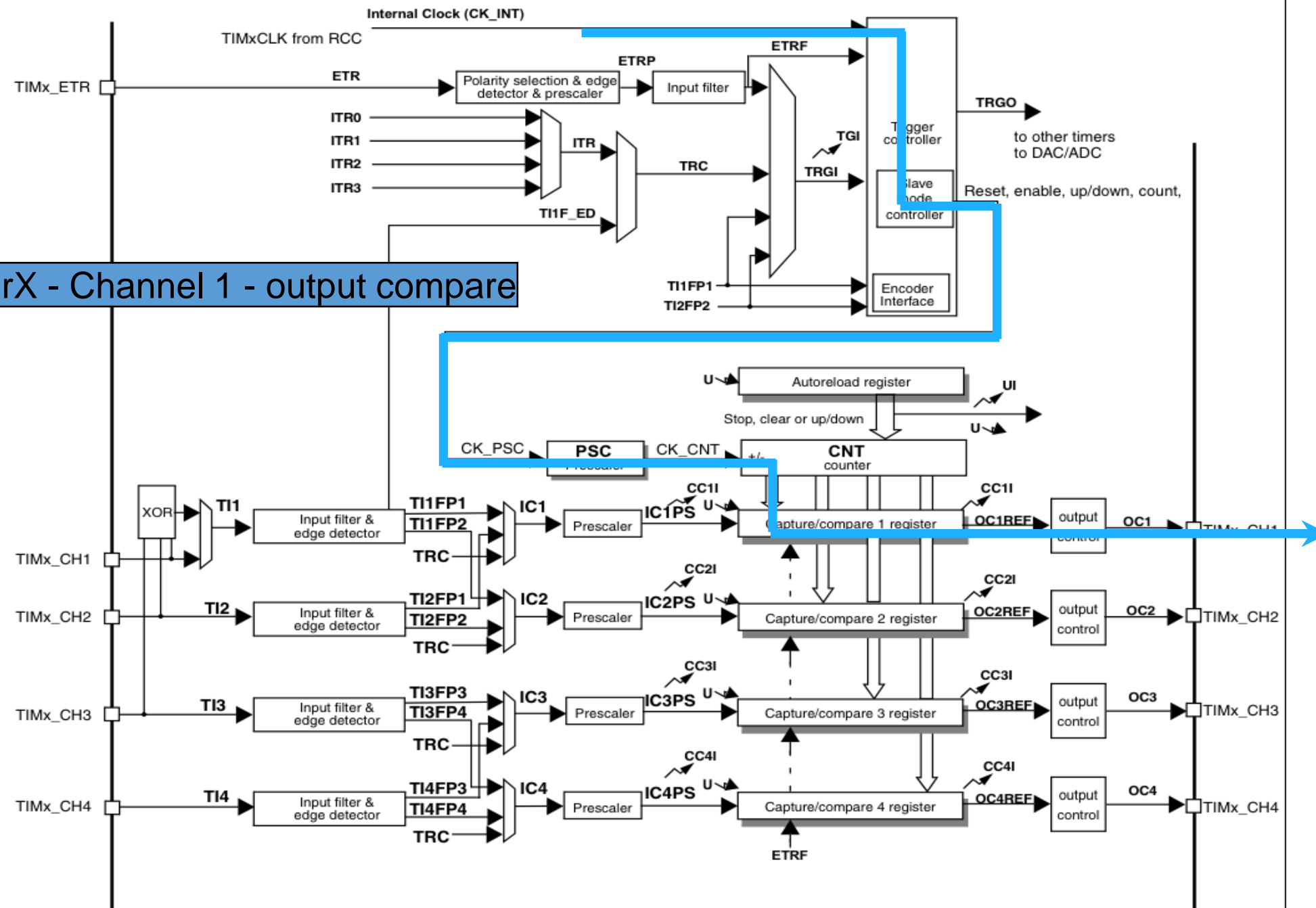
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- General-purpose TIMx timer features include:
 - 16-bit up, down, up/down auto-reload counter.
 - 16-bit programmable prescaler used to divide (also “on the fly”) the counter clock frequency by any factor between 1 and 65535.
 - **Up to 4 independent channels** for:
 - Input capture
 - Output compare
 - PWM generation (Edge- and Center-aligned modes)
 - One-pulse mode output

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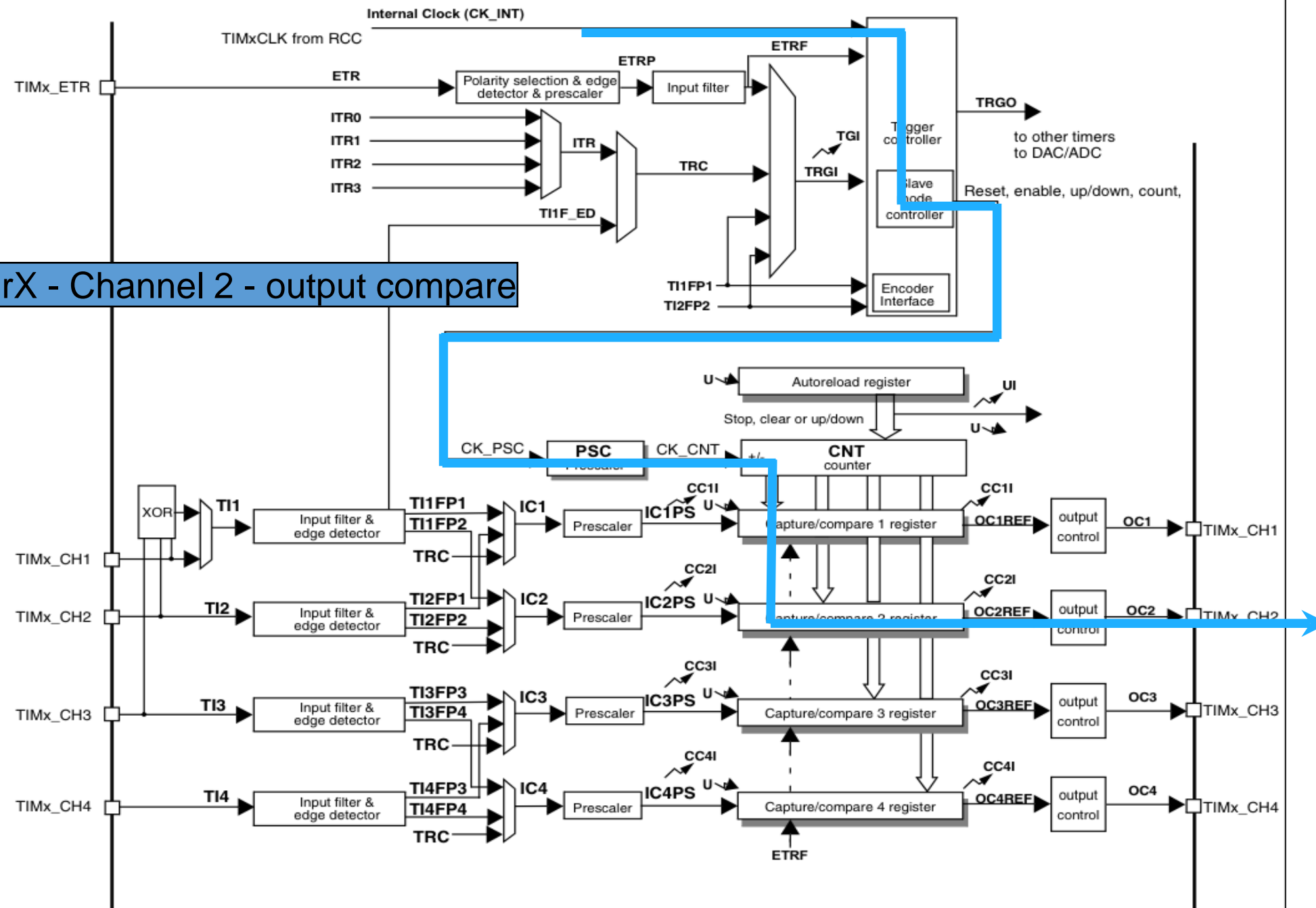


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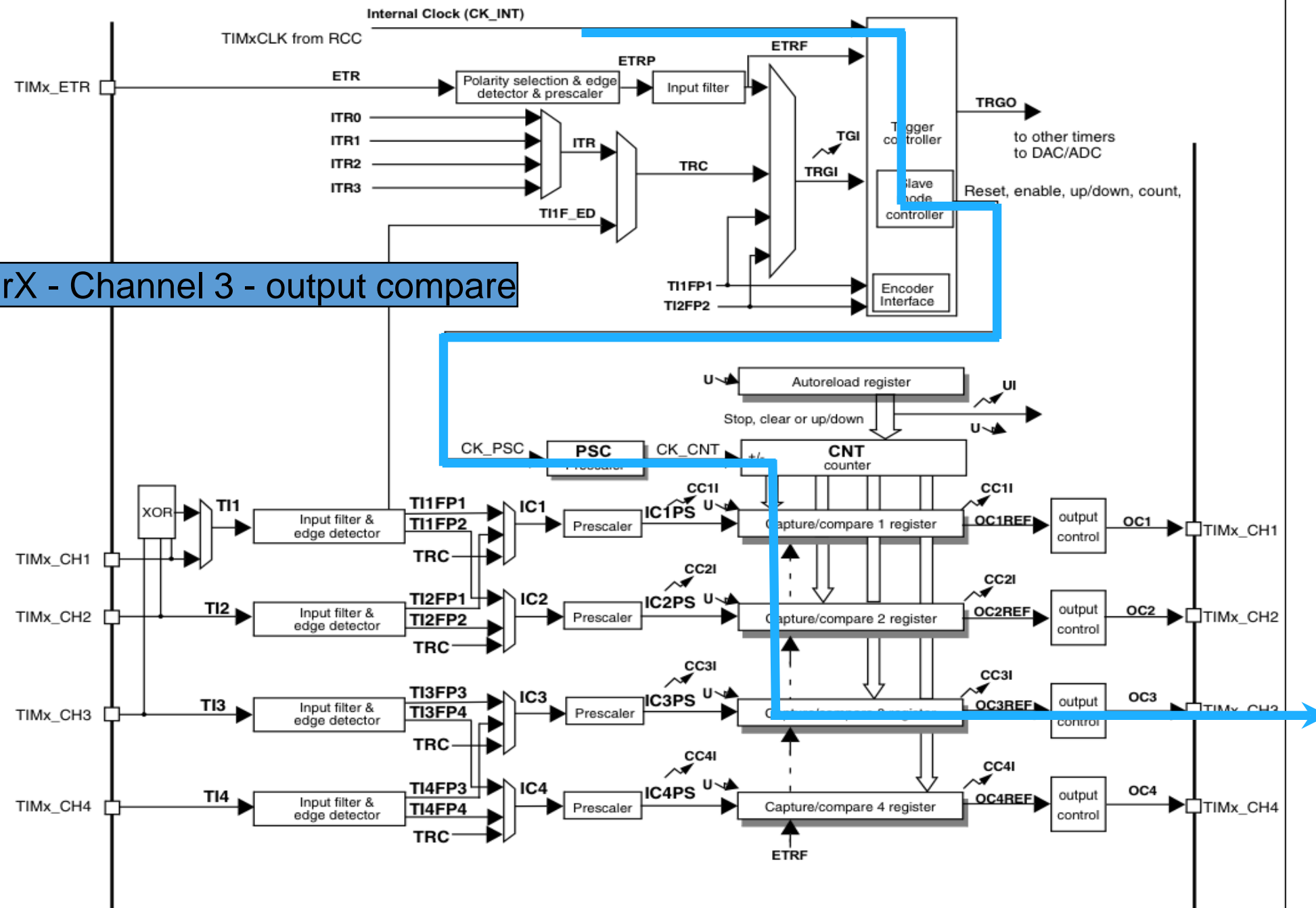


PATH: TimerX - Channel 1 - output compare

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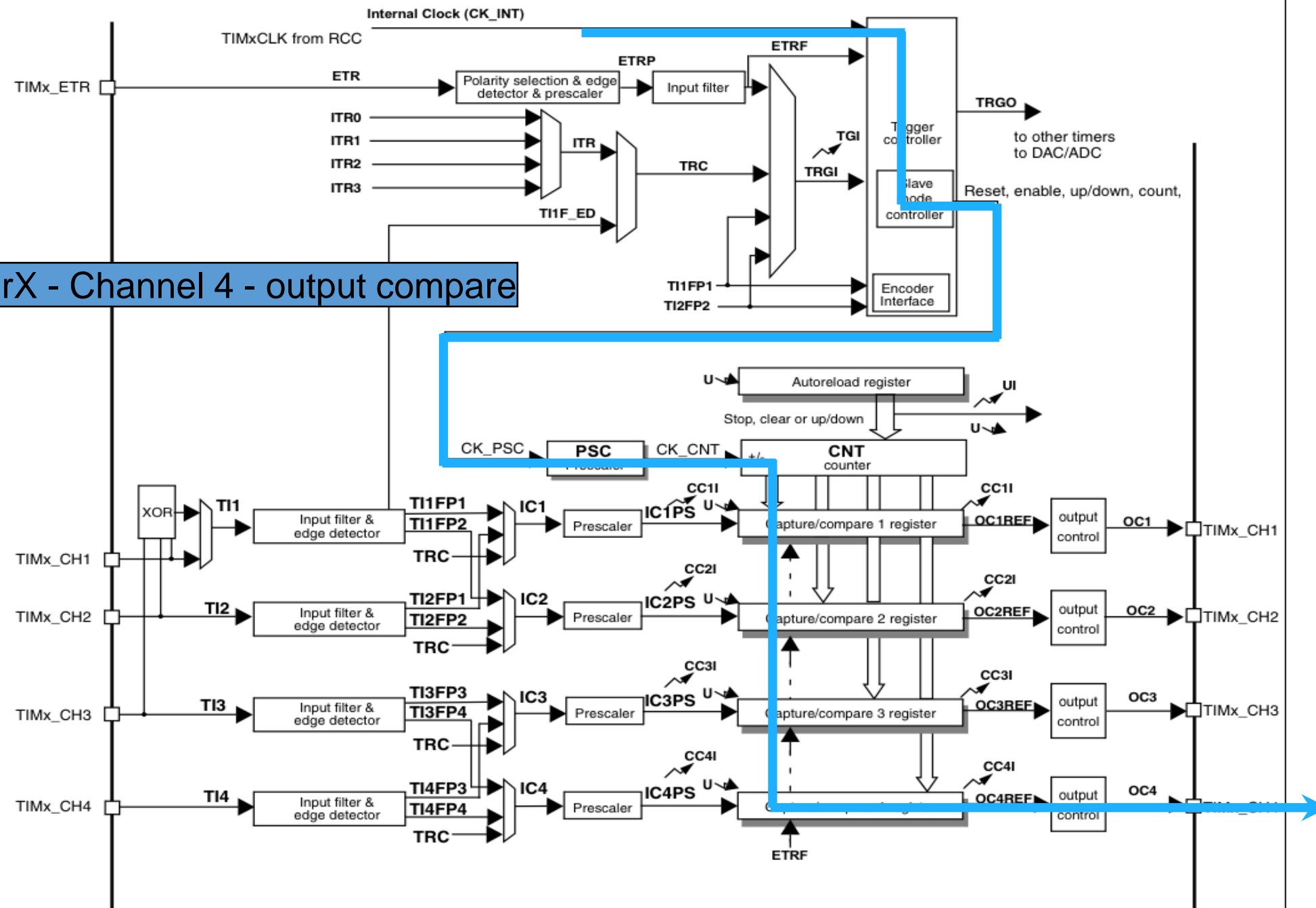


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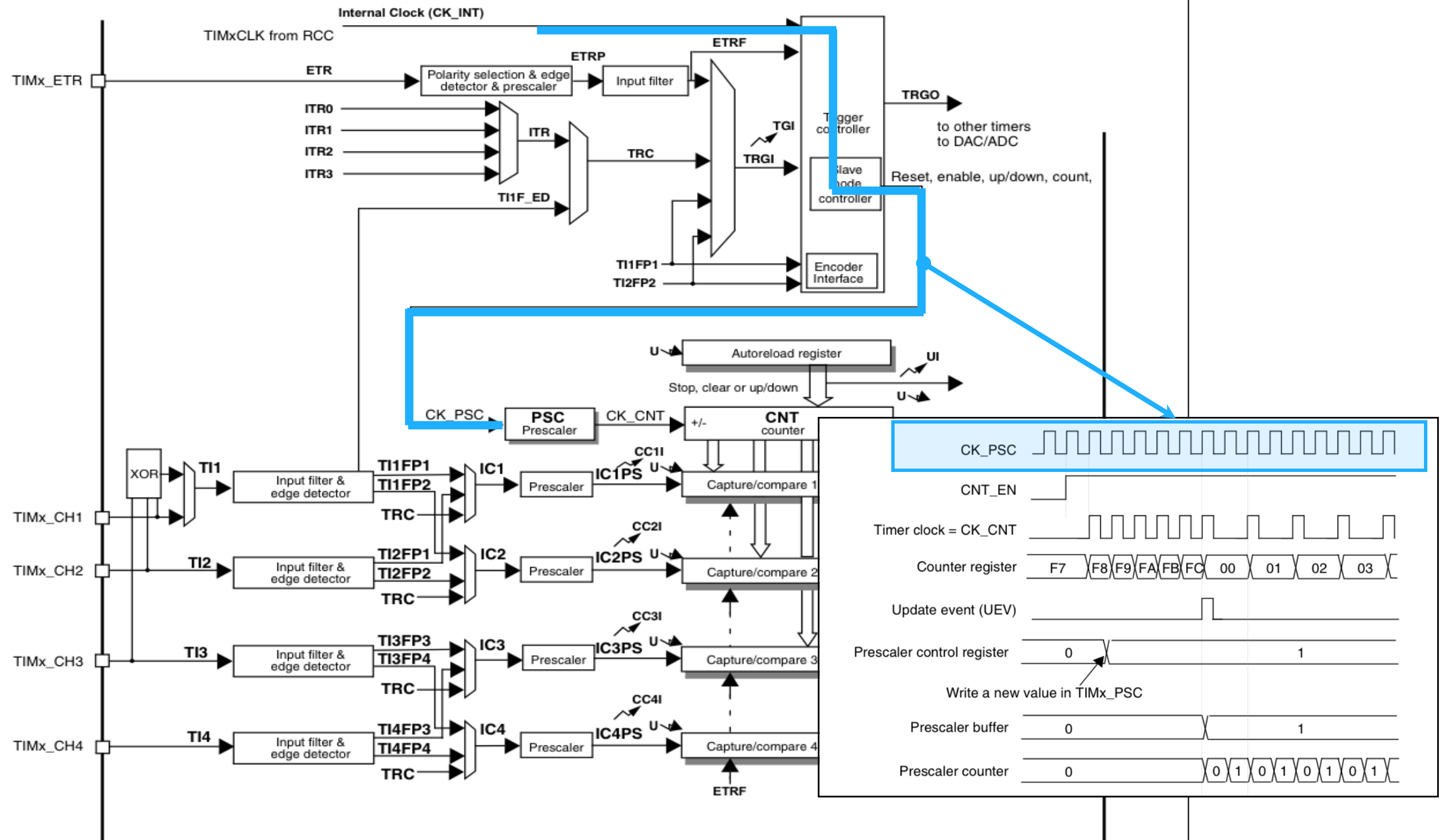


PATH: TimerX - Channel 3 - output compare

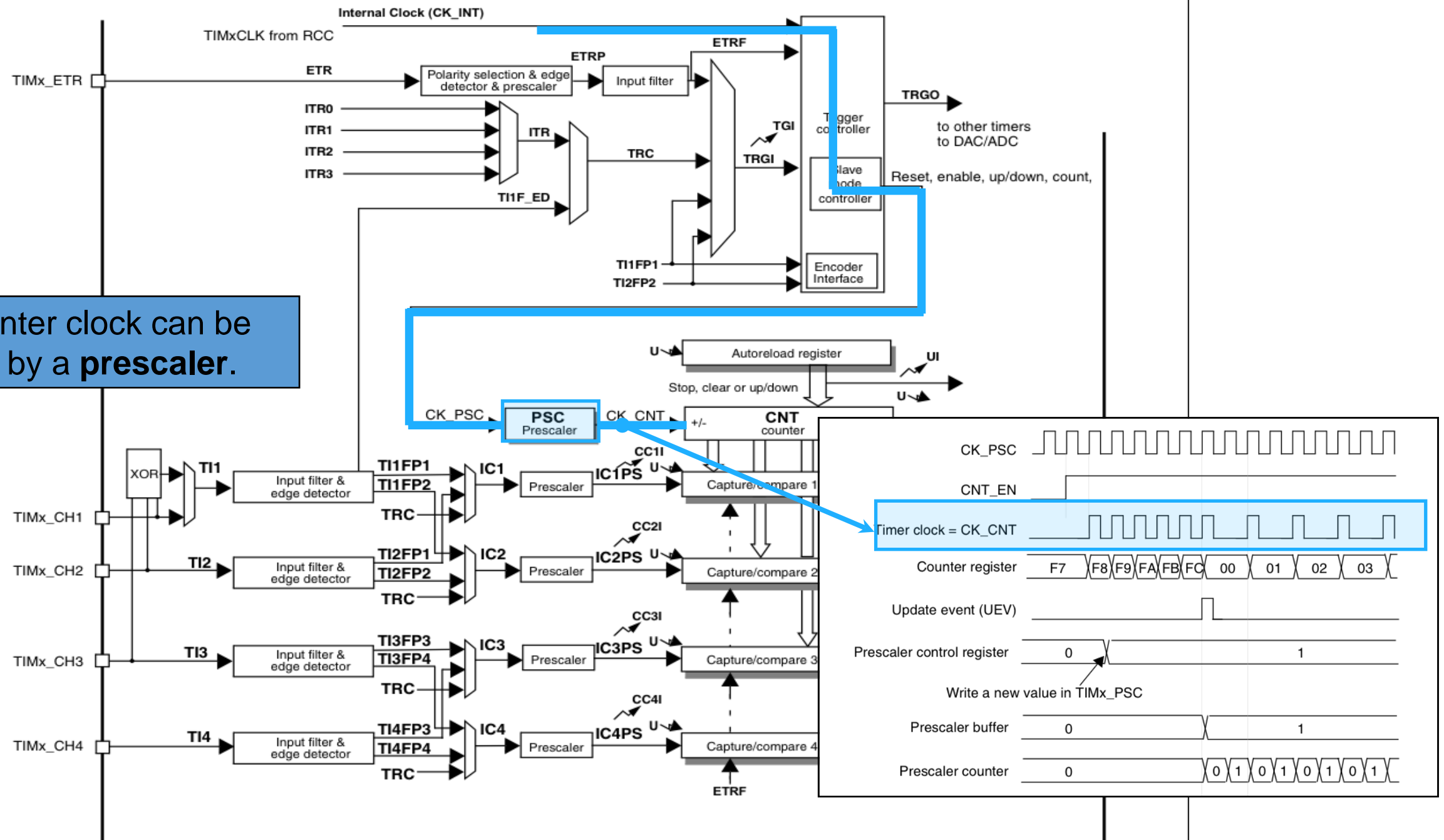
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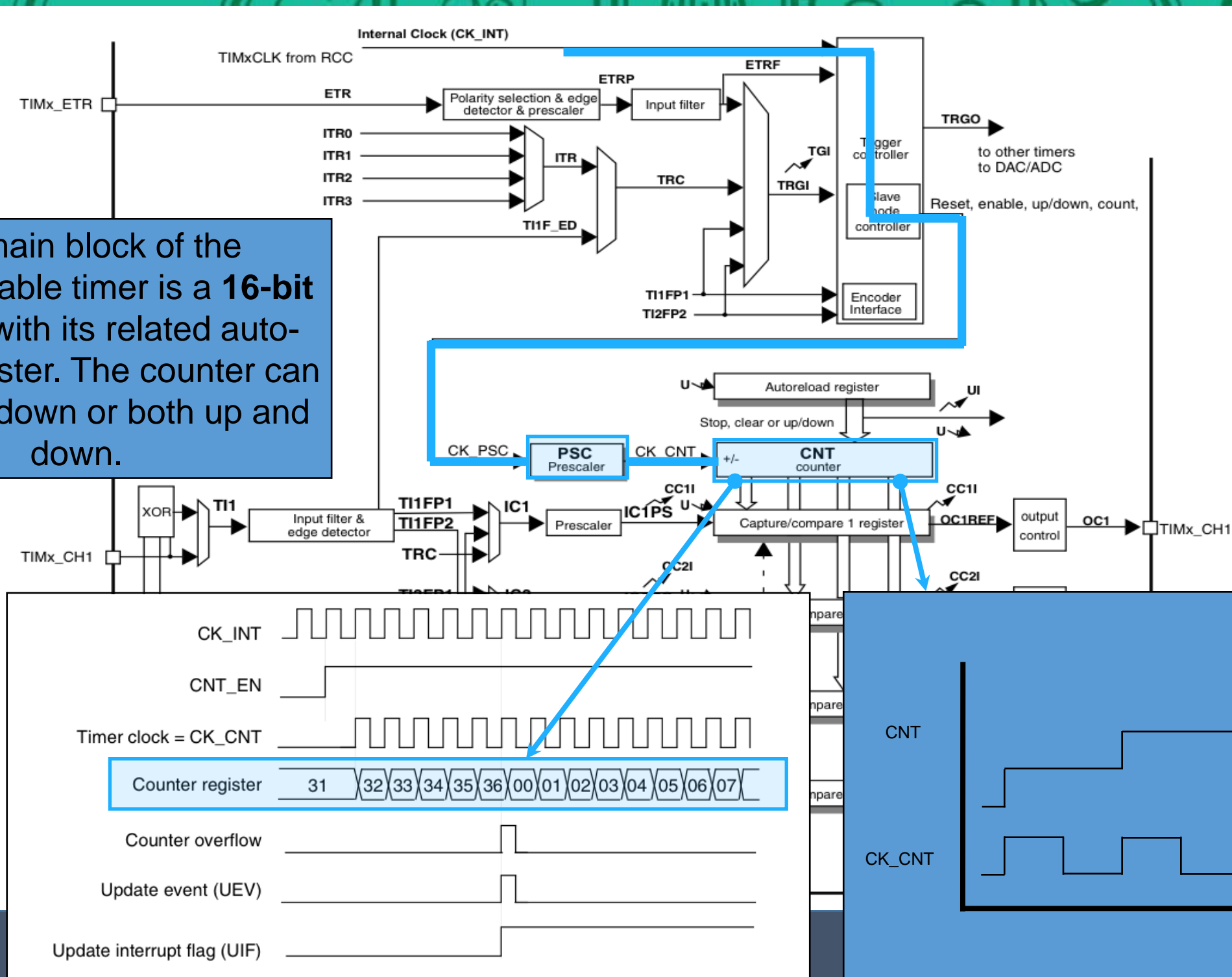
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The counter clock can be divided by a **prescaler**.

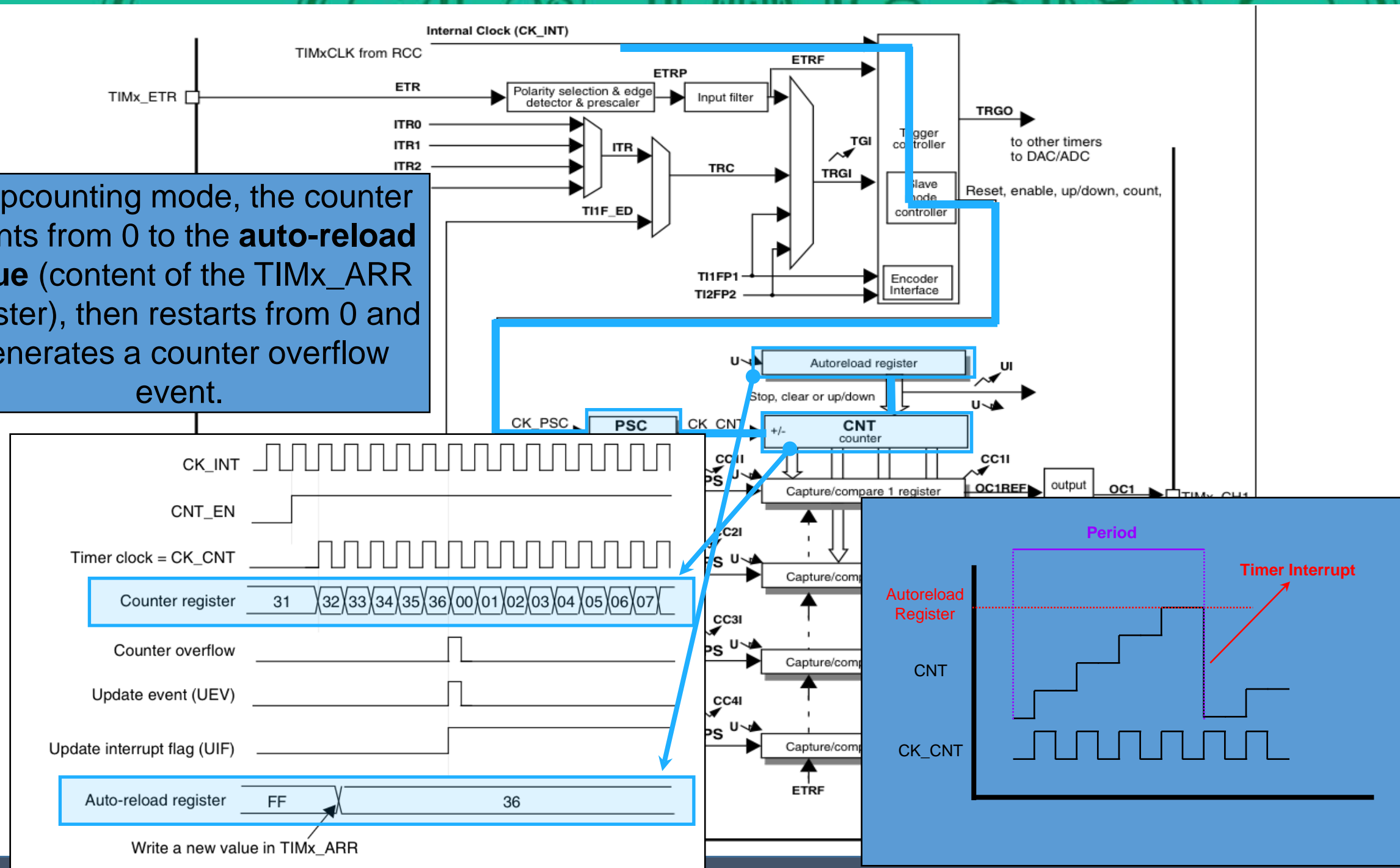
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The main block of the programmable timer is a **16-bit counter** with its related auto-reload register. The counter can count up, down or both up and down.



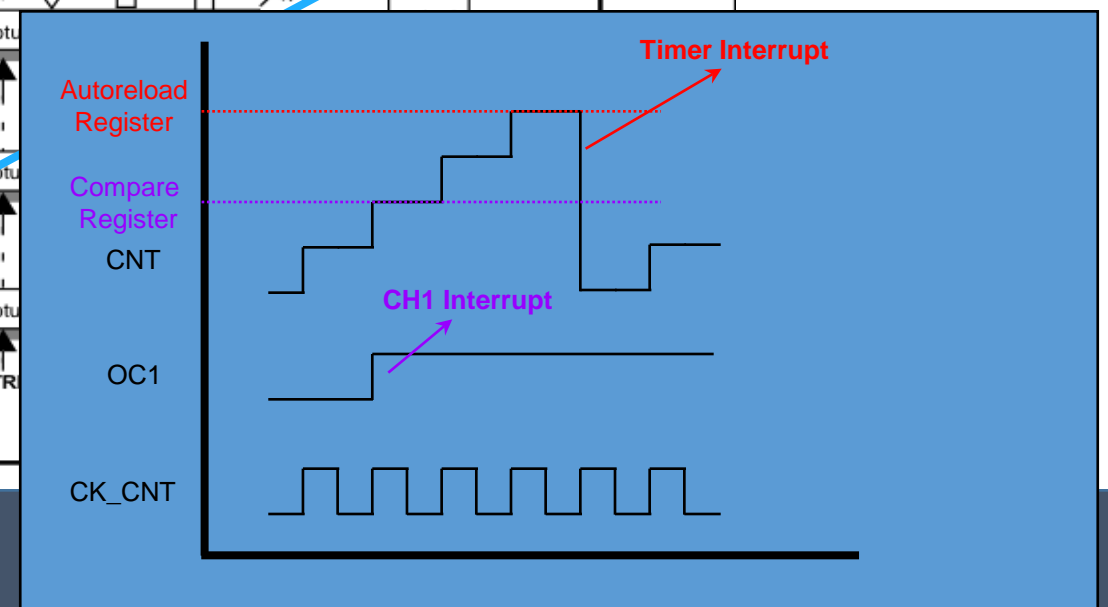
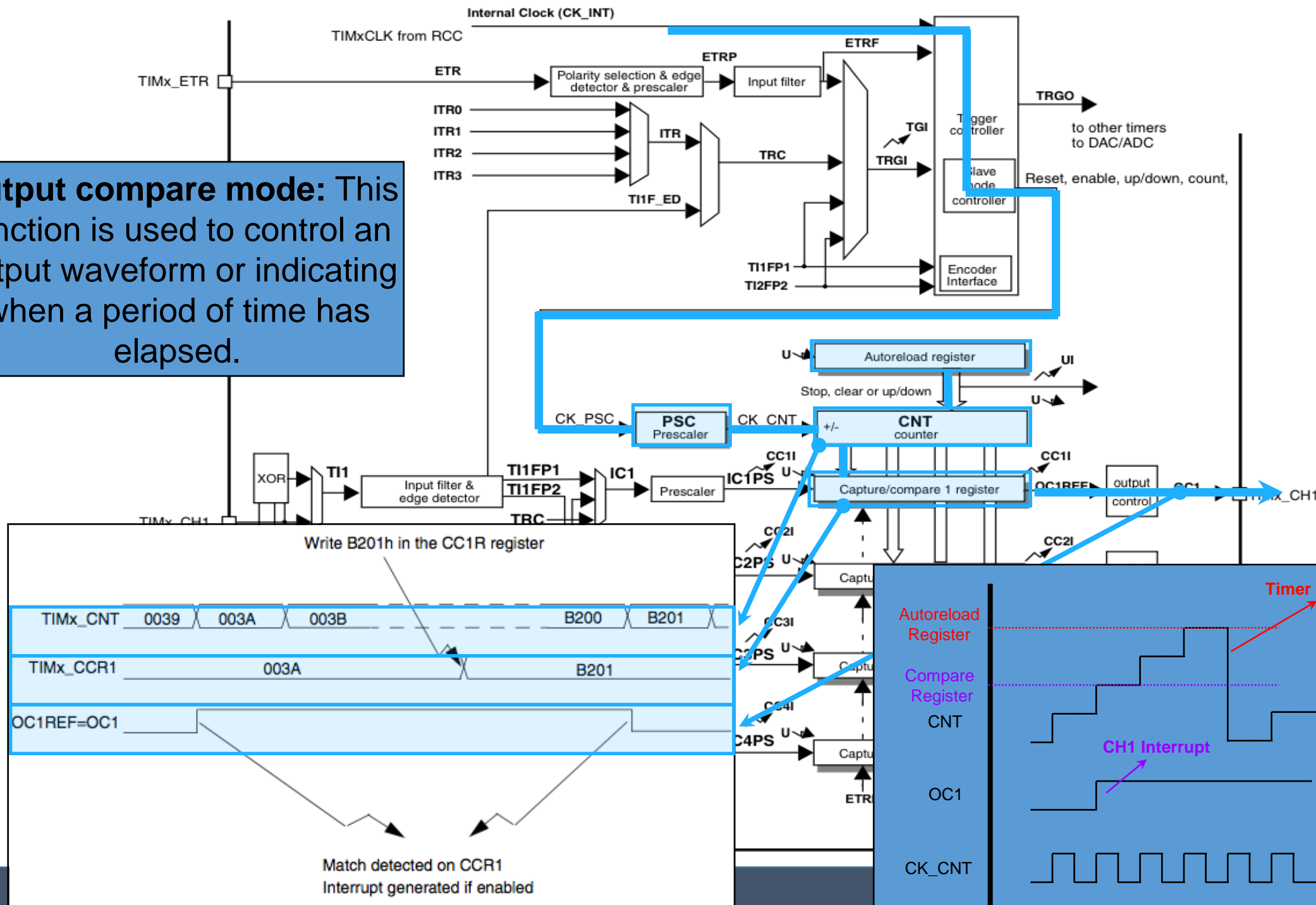
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In upcounting mode, the counter counts from 0 to the **auto-reload value** (content of the TIMx_ARR register), then restarts from 0 and generates a counter overflow event.



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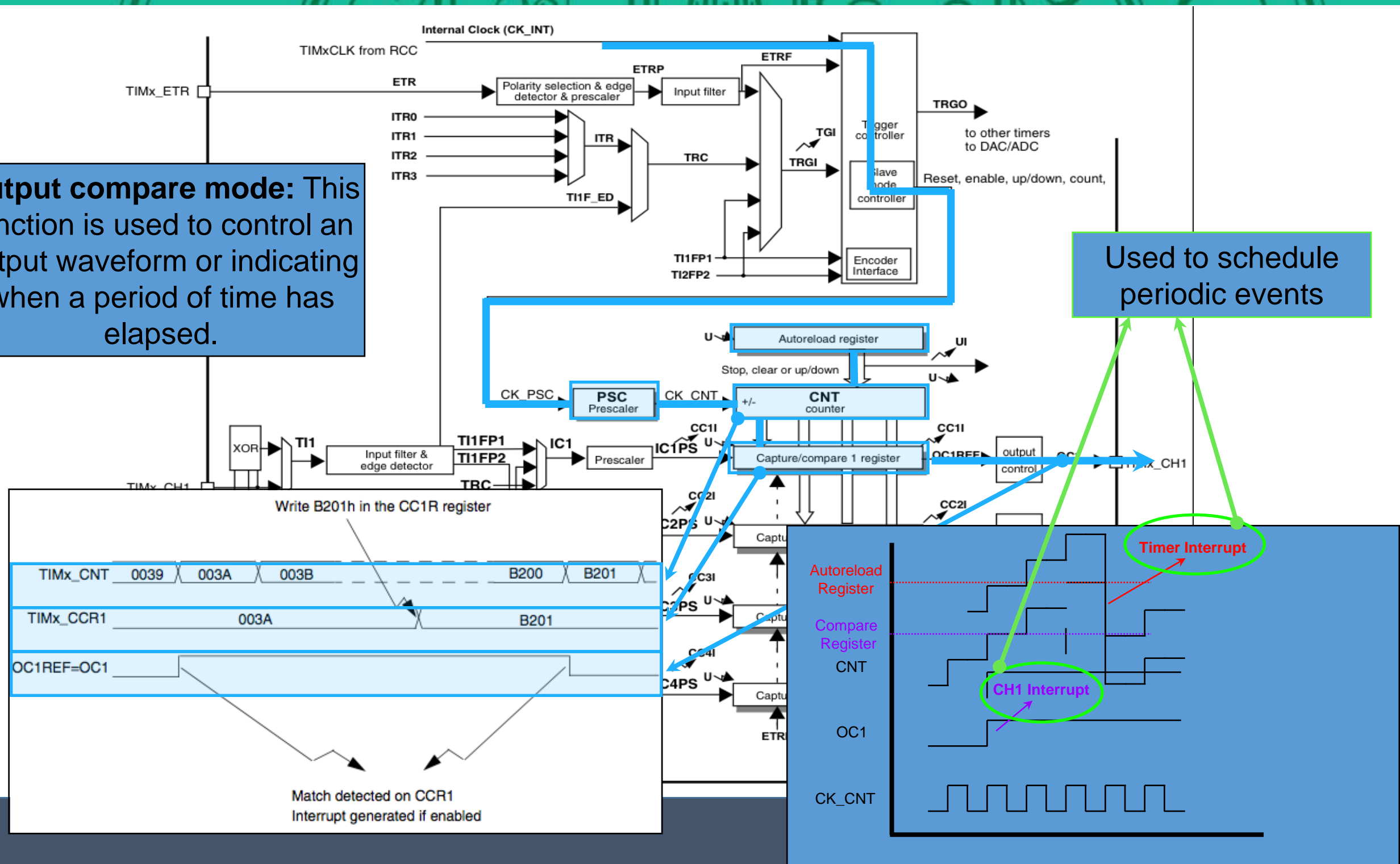
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Used to schedule periodic events



Timers (What)

- I want a LED blinking at a given frequency using a timer.
- **We need to setup the GPIO port and pin the LED is connected to**
 - ➡ We already know how to do that
- **Since we are going to use interrupts generated by timers we need to setup NVIC**
 - ➡ The IRQChannel for TIMER3 is TIM3_IRQn
 - ➡ The ISR is void TIM2_IRQHandler(void)
- **We need a generic timer because we want the LED blinking at a fixed frequency**
- **We use the TIM3_CH1 (Timer 3 channel 1) in output compare mode**

Timers (How)

We need to setup the **GPIO** port and pin the LED is connected to:

```
void LEDs_Configuration(void)
{

    GPIO_InitTypeDef GPIO_InitStructure;

    /* Enable the GPIO_LED Clock */
    RCC_AHB1PeriphClockCmd(RCC_AHB1Periph_GPIOD, ENABLE);

    /* Configure the GPIO_LED pin */
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_Pin = GPIO_Pin_12;
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_Mode = GPIO_Mode_OUT;
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_OType = GPIO_OType_PP;
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_PuPd = GPIO_PuPd_UP;
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_Speed = GPIO_Speed_50MHz;

    GPIO_Init(GPIOD, &GPIO_InitStructure);
}
```

Timers (How)

Since we are going to use interrupts generated by timers we need to setup **NVIC**

```
void NVIC_Configuration(void)
{
    NVIC_InitTypeDef NVIC_InitStructure; /* TIM3 clock enable */

    /* Enable the TIM3 global Interrupt */
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannel = TIM3_IRQn;
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannelPreemptionPriority = 0;
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannelSubPriority = 1;
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannelCmd = ENABLE;

    NVIC_Init(&NVIC_InitStructure);
}
```


Timers (How)

We need a **generic timer** because we want the LED blinking at a fixed frequency:

```
uint16_t PrescalerValue = 0;  
TIM_TimeBaseInitTypeDef TIM_TimeBaseStructure;
```

**As usual a struct is used for
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Timers (How)

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/* Enable the TIM3 gloabal Interrupt */  
  
RCC_APB1PeriphClockCmd(RCC_APB1Periph_TIM3, ENABLE);
```

**Clock enable for the
TIMER3**

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TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_Period = 65535; // 216
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**upcounting
mode**

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TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_Period = 65535; // 216
TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_Prescaler = 0;
TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_ClockDivision = 0;
TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_CounterMode = TIM_CounterMode_Up;
```

**upcounting
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TIM_TimeBaseInit(TIM3, &TIM_TimeBaseStructure); /* Prescaler configuration */
```

**As usual the
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TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_CounterMode = TIM_CounterMode_Up;

TIM_TimeBaseInit(TIM3, &TIM_TimeBaseStructure); /* Prescaler configuration */

TIM_PrescalerConfig(TIM3, PrescalerValue, TIM_PSCReloadMode_Immediate);
```

**As usual the
init routine**

Timers (How)

Prescaler Value:

To set the prescaler we use the formula:

$$\text{Prescaler} = ((\text{SystemCoreClock} / 2) / Fx) - 1$$

where Fx is the counter clock of the TIMER (CK_CNT) we want.

/ Compute the prescaler value */*

```
PrescalerValue = (uint16_t) ((SystemCoreClock / 2) / 500000) - 1; // 500 KHz
```

**This value has to be set before calling
TIM_PrescalerConfig function**

Timers (How)

- We use the TIM3_CH1 (Timer 3 channel 1) in **output compare mode**

```
TIM_OCInitTypeDef TIM_OCInitStructure;
```

**As usual a struct is used for the
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of the peripheral**

Timers (How)

- We use the TIM3_CH1 (Timer 3 channel 1) in **output compare mode**

```
TIM_OCInitTypeDef TIM_OCInitStructure;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCMode = TIM_OCMode_Timing;
```

The comparison between the output compare register and the counter has no effect on the outputs.

(this mode is used to generate a timing base).

We are interested in interrupt not in output waveform.

Timers (How)

- We use the TIM3_CH1 (Timer 3 channel 1) in **output compare mode**

```
TIM_OCInitTypeDef TIM_OCInitStructure;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCMode = TIM_OCMode_Timing;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OutputState = TIM_OutputState_Enable;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCPolarity = TIM_OCPolarity_High;
```

OC1 signal is active high on the corresponding output pin

Timers (How)

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```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_Pulse = 0;
```

The compare register is set to 0.

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```

```
TIM_OC1Init(TIM3, &TIM_OCInitStructure);
```

Init as usual

Timers (How)

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```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_Pulse = 0;
```

```
TIM_OC1Init(TIM3, &TIM_OCInitStructure);
```

```
TIM_OC1PreloadConfig(TIM3, TIM_OCPreload_Disable);
```

The compare register can be written at anytime,
the new value is taken in account immediately

Timers (How)

- We use the TIM3_CH1 (Timer 3 channel 1) in **output compare mode**

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```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCPolarity = TIM_OCPolarity_High;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_Pulse = 0;
```

```
TIM_OC1Init(TIM3, &TIM_OCInitStructure);
```

```
TIM_OC1PreloadConfig(TIM3, TIM_OCPreload_Disable);
```

```
TIM_ITConfig(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1, ENABLE);
```

We are interested in the **interrupt** of the CHANNEL 1
of the TIMER3

Timers (How)

- We use the TIM3_CH1 (Timer 3 channel 1) in **output compare mode**

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```

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```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OutputState = TIM_OutputState_Enable;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCPolarity = TIM_OCPolarity_High;
```

```
TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_Pulse = 0;
```

```
TIM_OC1Init(TIM3, &TIM_OCInitStructure);
```

```
TIM_OC1PreloadConfig(TIM3, TIM_OCPreload_Disable);
```

```
TIM_ITConfig(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1, ENABLE);
```

```
TIM_Cmd(TIM3, ENABLE);
```

TIMER2 enabled

Timers (How)

- Handle the interrupt

```
void TIM3_IRQHandler(void)
{
    if (TIM_GetITStatus(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1) != RESET)
    {
        TIM_ClearITPendingBit(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1);

        // Turn on the LED
    }
}
```

1. Check the flags to see what channel the interrupt is related to
2. Clear the flag
3. Turn on/off the LED

Timers (Code:Main)

```
#include "stm32f4xx.h "  
#include "stm32f401_discovery.h "  
  
void NVIC_Configuration(void)  
{  
    NVIC_InitTypeDef NVIC_InitStructure; /* TIM3 clock enable */  
  
    RCC_APB1PeriphClockCmd(RCC_APB1Periph_TIM3, ENABLE);  
  
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannel = TIM3_IRQn;  
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannelPreemptionPriority = 0;  
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannelSubPriority = 1;  
    NVIC_InitStructure.NVIC_IRQChannelCmd = ENABLE;  
  
    NVIC_Init(&NVIC_InitStructure);  
}  
  
void LEDs_Configuration(void)  
{  
    GPIO_InitTypeDef GPIO_InitStructure;  
  
    RCC_AHB1PeriphClockCmd(RCC_AHB1Periph_GPIOD, ENABLE);  
  
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_Pin = GPIO_Pin_12;  
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_Mode = GPIO_Mode_OUT;  
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_OType = GPIO_OType_PP;  
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_PuPd = GPIO_PuPd_UP;  
    GPIO_InitStructure.GPIO_Speed = GPIO_Speed_50MHz;  
  
    GPIO_Init(GPIOD, &GPIO_InitStructure);  
}
```

Timers (Code:Main)

```
int main(void)
{
    TIM_TimeBaseInitTypeDef TIM_TimeBaseStructure;
    TIM_OCInitTypeDef TIM_OCInitStructure;

    uint16_t PrescalerValue = 0;

    LEDs_Configuration();
    NVIC_Configuration();
    RCC_APB1PeriphClockCmd(RCC_APB1Periph_TIM3, ENABLE);

    /* Compute the prescaler value */
    PrescalerValue = (uint16_t) ((SystemCoreClock /2)/ 500000) - 1;

    /* Time base configuration */
    TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_Period = 65535;
    TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_Prescaler = 0;
    TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_ClockDivision = 0;
    TIM_TimeBaseStructure.TIM_CounterMode = TIM_CounterMode_Up;

    TIM_TimeBaseInit(TIM3, &TIM_TimeBaseStructure);
    TIM_PrescalerConfig(TIM3, PrescalerValue, TIM_PSCReloadMode_Immediate);

    /* Output Compare Timing Mode configuration: Channel1 */
    TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCMode = TIM_OCMode_Timing;
    TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OutputState = TIM_OutputState_Enable;
    TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_Pulse = 0;
    TIM_OCInitStructure.TIM_OCPolarity = TIM_OCPolarity_High;

    TIM_OC1Init(TIM3, &TIM_OCInitStructure);
    TIM_OC1PreloadConfig(TIM3, TIM_OCPreload_Disable);
    TIM_ITConfig(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1, ENABLE);

    /* TIM2 enable counter */
    TIM_Cmd(TIM3, ENABLE);

    while(1);
    return(0);
}
```


Timers (Code:IT)

stm32f4xx_it.c

```
...  
void TIM3_IRQHandler(void)  
{  
    if (TIM_GetITStatus(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1) != RESET)  
    {  
        TIM_ClearITPendingBit(TIM3, TIM_IT_CC1);  
        GPIO_WriteBit(GPIOD, GPIO_Pin_12, (BitAction)(1 - GPIO_ReadOutputDataBit(GPIOD, GPIO_Pin_12)));  
    }  
}  
...
```

Timers (Esercizi)

1. Fai lampeggiare un LED a 2Hz, ed un'altro a 3Hz

➡ Tip: usa `TIM_GetCapture1()` e `TIM_SetCompare1()`

➡ Tip: devi utilizzare due differenti canali

2. Utilizza un bottone per modificare la frequenza di lampeggio di un LED (usando ovviamente i timers).

3. Genera un onda quadra a 500Hz in output da un TIM2_CH1 pin (controlla con l'oscilloscopio) (opzionale)

➡ Tips: Dovreste usare il Toggle del Output Compare mode

➡ STM32F4xx Standard Peripherals Library,

Timers (Domande)

1. Quali sono gli altri possibili modi per configurare il TIM_OCMode, nel campo di TIM_OCInitTypeDef **structure** (guardare anche I manuali messi a disposizione)
2. Come funziona la modalità TIM_CounterMode_CenterAligned in comparazione alla modalità TIM_CounterMode_Up) ?
4. Cosa accade se omettiamo TIM_OC1PreloadConfig(...) ?
5. Che cos'è ClockDivision?