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Engineering Project - Constant Voltage Driver

<https://github.com/louisrosenblum/Microchip>

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CLEAN SUCCESSFUL (total time: 56ms)
"C:\Program Files (x86)\Microchip\MPLABX\v5.30\mpasmx\mpasmx.exe" -q -p16f1788 -l"build/default/production/newpic_8b
Warning[207] C:\USERS\LOUIS\DESKTOP\MICROCHIP\INTERVIEW PROJECT.X\NEWPIC_8B_SIMPLE.ASM 4 : Found label after column
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BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 757ms)
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1) Assembly Implementation. <https://github.com/louisrosenblum/Microchip>

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1 ; TODO INSERT CONFIG CODE HERE USING CONFIG BITS GENERATOR
2
3 ; Define variables
4 FVRCON EQU 0x0117
5 DAC1CON0 EQU 0x0118
6 DAC1CON1 EQU 0x0119
7
8 PORTA EQU 0x000C
9 LATA EQU 0x010C
10 ANSELA EQU 0x18C
11 TRISA EQU 0x008C
12
13 RES_VECT CODE 0x0000 ; processor reset vector
14 GOTO mainLoop ; go to beginning of program
15
16 ; TODO ADD INTERRUPTS HERE IF USED
17
18 MAIN_PROG CODE ; let linker place main program
19
20 mainLoop
21
22 GOTO $ ; loop forever
23
24 ; Disable watchdog
25 ; PIC16F1788 Configuration Bit Settings
26 ; Assembly source line config statements
27 #include "p16f1788.inc"
28
29 ; CONFIG1
30 ; __config 0xFFE7
31 __CONFIG __CONFIG1, _FOSC_ECH & _WDTE_OFF & _PWRTE_OFF & _MCLRE_ON & _CP_OFF & _CPD_OFF & _BOR
32 ; CONFIG2
33 ; __config 0xFFFF
34 __CONFIG __CONFIG2, _WRT_OFF & _VCAPEN_OFF & _PLEN_ON & _STVREN_ON & _BORV_LO & _LPBOR_OFF &
35
36 ; --From Datasheet--
37 ; This code example illustrates
38 ; initializing the PORTA register. The
39 ; other ports are initialized in the same
40 ; manner.
41 BANKSEL PORTA ;
42 CLRF PORTA ;Init PORTA
43 BANKSEL LATA ;Data Latch
44 CLRF LATA ;
45 BANKSEL ANSELA ;
46 CLRF ANSELA ;digital I/O
47 BANKSEL TRISA ;
48 MOVLW 0b00000000 ; Set all of PORTA as outputs
49 MOVWF TRISA
50
51 ; Enable fixed voltage reference, use 2.048V
52 MOVF 0b11101000, FVRCON
53
54 ; Enable DAC as output on DAC1OUT1, use FVR. Enable temperature indicator, high range.
55 MOVF 0b10101000, DAC1CON0
56
57 ; Set DAC1OUT1 to 1.5V
58 MOVF 0x00BC, DAC1CON1
59
60 END
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2a) Peripherals used:

DAC - Used to generate an intermediate voltage between V_{ref} and supply voltage.

FVR - Used as the DAC input in order to avoid changes in supply voltage affecting the output voltage.

TIM - Used in conjunction with the FVR in order to avoid changes in temperature affecting the output voltage.

2b) The design meets all requested parameters. As long as the supply voltage is above 1.8V the temperature indicator module will function properly in the low range mode. Neither the supply voltage nor the temperature will affect the fixed voltage reference while the TIM is enabled.

2c) Limitations of this design include a 200 microsecond ADC acquisition time from the TIM. This method can also only produce a maximum DC voltage of 4.096 V. In order to go higher than this I would likely look further into the operational amplifier modules within the microcontroller. In addition I had to disable the watchdog to prevent the program from being reset.

2d) The output voltage should remain constant across all supply voltages between 1.8 and 5.5V.

2e) The output voltage should remain constant across all temperatures between 0 C to 85 C. I would test the TIM on both ends of this spectrum to make sure the internal TIM feedback is functioning in this range.

2f) The maximum sink/source current for the I/O pins is 25 mA. Because the output voltage is coming from the DAC1OUT1 pin there current should be sourced if a load is attached. The voltage above the load should remain steady as long as the load doesn't attempt to draw more than 25 mA of current.

2g)

Specification	PIC16F1788	PIC16LF1788
Operating voltage	2.3 to 5.5 V	1.8 to 3.6 V
Device ID	0x302B	0x302D
Pin voltage relative to V_{ss}	-0.3 to 6.5 V	-0.3 to 4 V

The PIC16LF1788 offers Extreme Low-Power Management:

- Sleep mode: 50 nA @ 1.8V, typical
- Watchdog Timer: 500 nA @ 1.8V, typical
- Timer1 Oscillator: 500 nA @ 32 kHz
- Operating Current: - 8 A @ 32 kHz, 1.8V, typical - 32 A/MHz @ 1.8V, typical

I think the PIC16LF would be a better choice for this design. The FVR is being used and therefore a supply voltage significantly above 1.8V isn't necessary for proper function. The device would also consume less power in operation.