

# Infrared Decoder and Output Board

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## Proposal

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After extensive debate with myself and others in my electronics classes, I have concluded that the best utilization of my time spent towards finishing my capstone will be towards a project dedicated to infrared communications. The idea will be to allow a tank bot to be remote controlled via a universal remote that utilizes infrared signaling. The technology of transmitting data through light signals dates back to the dawn of the first shipmasters navigating treacherous seas. These shipmasters used lanterns to make different patterns of light that could be visible to other ships creating a form of communication. Obviously, the technology has made some tremendous leaps in the past century, however the concept remains the same. The transmission of data is orchestrated around the sending and receiving of ones and zeros, just like in times of old.

Infrared technology, of which I will refer to as simply IR, has played a pivotal role in modern society being implemented in technologies ranging from the satellites that orbit earth monitoring temperature, to the small universal remote we use to control the television. I will however, be focusing on the latter. The universal remote IR signals and communications.

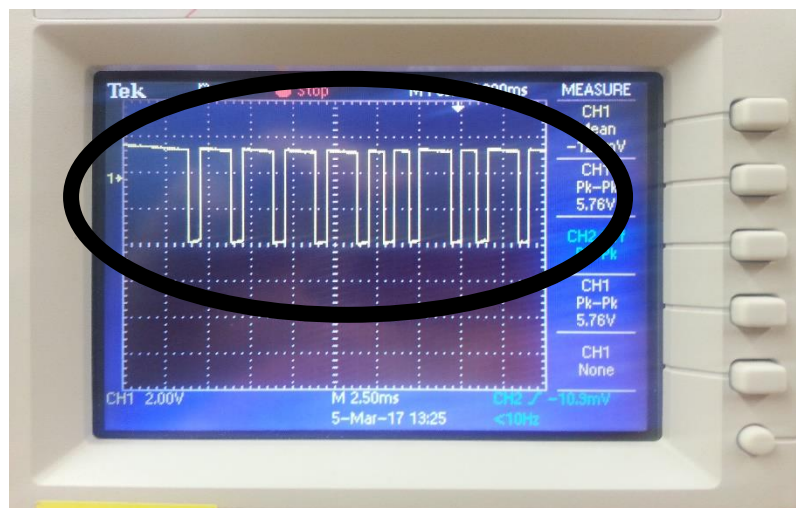
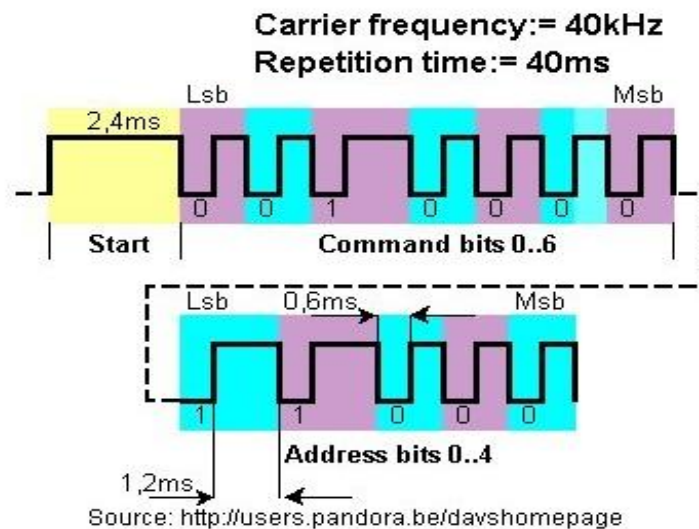
What I hope to accomplish is to take a universal remote that uses IR light that sends a signal to a receiver that then will be converted to a specific input on the PIC16f886 microprocessor chip. After the data has been received, it will be used to drive a previously built tank robot (constructed in the microprocessor class EET 3780). The tank should drive both forwards and backwards as well as spin, both clockwise and counterclockwise.

The IR signal is generally broken up into three parts when transmitted: START, COMMAND and ADDRESS as illustrated in below. Infrared light has a range of wavelengths, just like visible light has wavelengths that range from red light to violet. "Near infrared" light is closest in wavelength to visible light and "far infrared" is closer to the microwave region of the electromagnetic spectrum. I relied heavily on picproject's pdf file *Sony SIRC infrared protocol* (located at the end of this proposal) to understand the behavior of the data stream being sent from the universal remote.

For the project, I will be using the GP1UW70QS series receiver to help me decode the GE Universal Remote signals being transmitted.

When connected to the oscilloscope we see that there is pattern when the "channel up" button is pushed. I will be

teaming up with Alec Turner taking his already constructed Makeblock IR Version Tankbot and integrating this technology into my project that should prove to be educational, challenging and entertaining.



## Cost of Project / Bill of Materials

Item	Quantity	Reference	Part	Cost	Cost/unit
1	1	BT1	BATTERY	\$10.00/8	\$1.25
2	1	C3	.47uf	\$1.00/20	\$0.05
3	1	C4	22uf	*	\$3.64
4	2	D1,D2	LED	13.99/100	\$0.14
5	1	R2	180 Ohm Resistor	10.99/400	\$0.03
6	5	R1,R3,R4,R5,R6,R7	10k Ohm Resistor	10.99/400	\$0.03
7	1	SW1	SW DIP-4	6.69/10	\$0.67
8	1	SW4	SW PUSHBUTTON-SPST-2	6.80/100	\$0.07
9	1	S1	3sw_toggle	*	\$2.00
10	1	U1	PIC16F886	*	Free Sample
11	1	U2	REG_LM7805	5.29/20	\$0.26
12	1	U3	LCD_Serial	*	\$4.99
13	1	U4	IR_Sensor	5.99/5	\$1.20
14	1	U5	Header_10pin	5.49/10(40pin)	\$0.55

**Total:      \$14.88**

Other Parts	
Breadboard	\$5.00
single sided board	\$10.00
universal remote	\$7.00

**Total:      \$22.00**

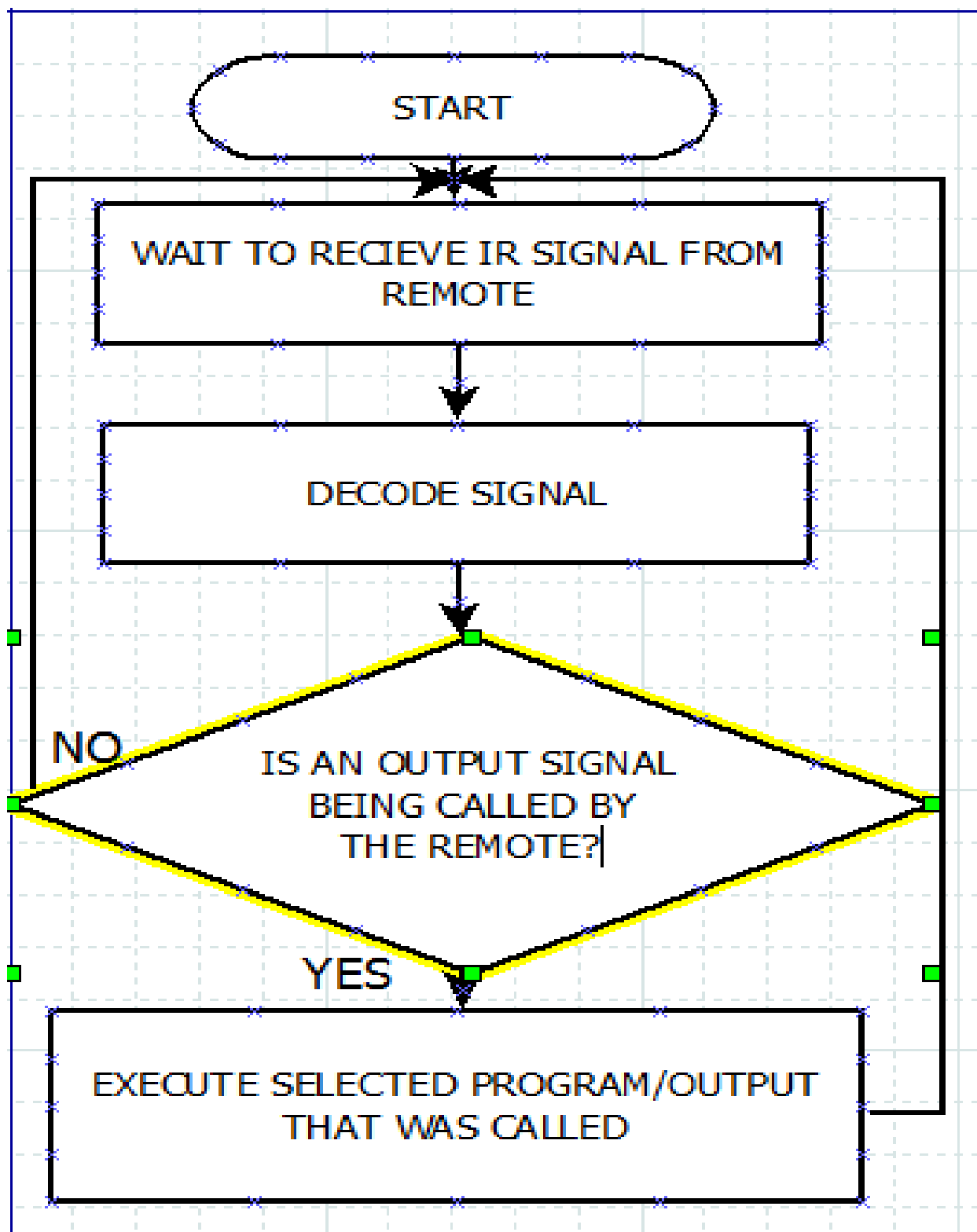
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## Time Line

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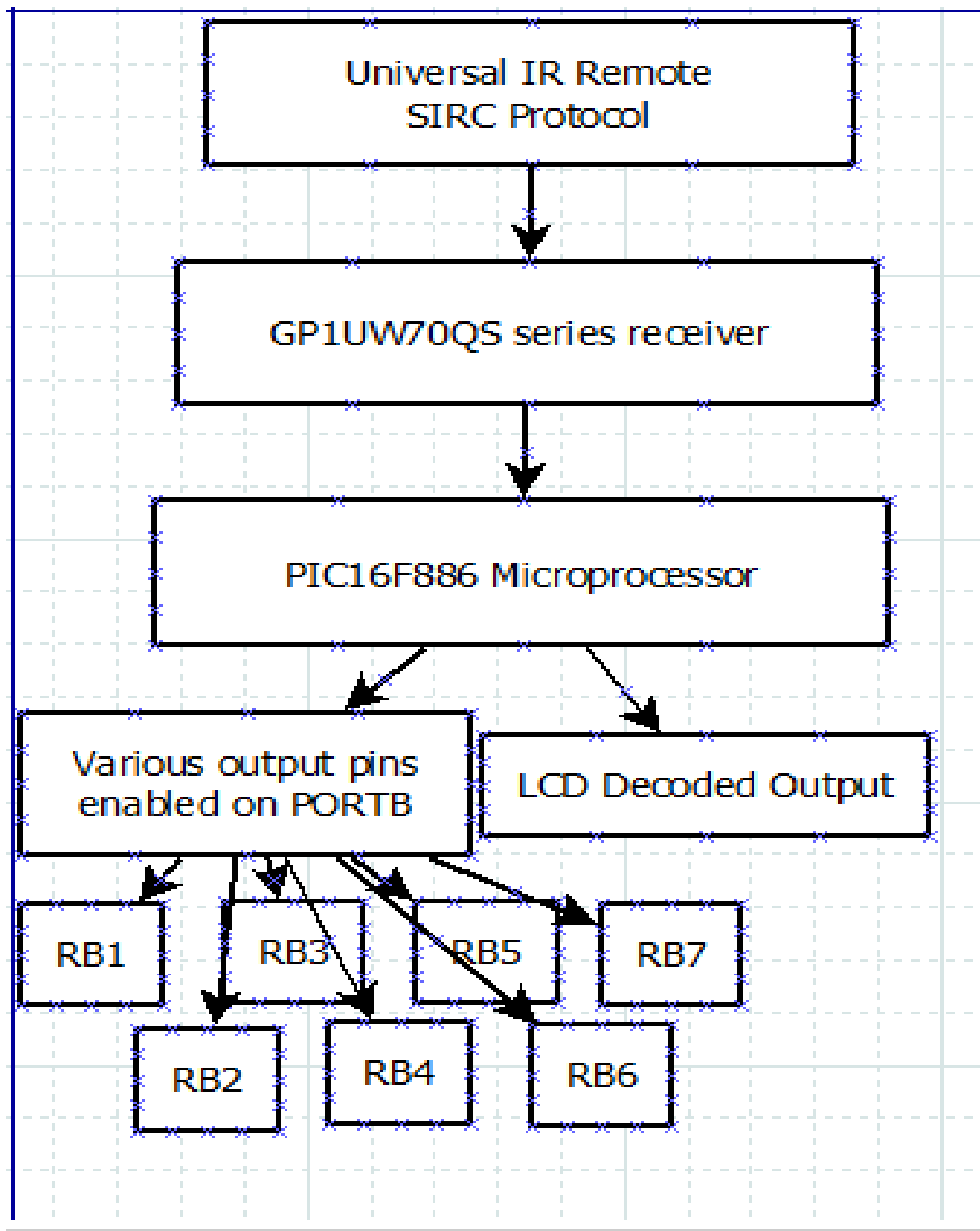
Build Prototype board using a bread board and simple pushbuttons	January 13 <sup>th</sup> 2017
Decode the SIRC protocol found on my generic universal remote and map out the required push-buttons	February 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Write Code for the receiver to understand the input and enable the proper output channels using the XC8 compiler in MPLABX	February 15 <sup>th</sup>
Design a printed circuit board using OrCAD software that can be adapted to fit on a general-purpose bread board with the dimensions being approximately 2"x 2" x .25"	February 24 <sup>th</sup>
Attach design to toy robot tank prototype for testing and troubleshooting	March 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Prepare IR project for demonstration and grading	March 10 <sup>th</sup>
Present at Festival of Excellence	April 4 <sup>th</sup>

## Flow Chart



## Block Diagram

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## Embedded C Code

This code was compiled using the XC8 Compiler using MPLABX software

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <stdlib.h>
3 #include <xc.h>
4 #include <string.h>
5
6 #pragma config FOSC = HS // Oscillator Selection bits (RC oscillator: CLKOUT function on
RA6/OSC2/CLKOUT pin, RC on RA7/OSC1/CLKIN)
7 #pragma config WDTE = OFF // Watchdog Timer Enable bit (WDT disabled)
8 #pragma config PWRTE = OFF // Power-up Timer Enable bit (PWRT disabled)
9 #pragma config MCLRE = ON // RA5/MCLR pin function select (RA5/MCLR pin function is digital
input, MCLR internally tied to VDD)
10 #pragma config BOREN = OFF // Brown-out Reset Enable bit (BOD Reset disabled)
11 #pragma config LVP = OFF // Low-Voltage Programming Enable bit (RB4/PGM pin has digital
I/O function, HV on MCLR must be used for programming)
12 #pragma config CPD = OFF // Data Code Protection bit (Data memory code protection off)
13 #pragma config CP = OFF // Code Protection bits (Program memory code protection off)
14
15 //crystal frequency
16 #define _XTAL_FREQ 8000000
17 int resultH = 0;
18 int resultM = 0;
19 int resultL = 0;
20 int toggle = 0;
21
22 /*****
23 *          MAIN ROUTINE
24 * *****/
25
26 */
27 void main (void){
28
29     init ();
30     __delay_ms (3500); //allow for SUU LCD to boot up with splash screen
31     while(1){ //Main Home Screen
32         printf("IR Decoder") ;
33         __delay_ms(200);
34         clear_lcd();
35     }
36 }
37 /*****
38 *          INITIALIZATION ROUTINE
39 * *****/
40 */
41 int init()//initialize pins and ports to correct configuration
```

```

42 {
43     ANSEL = 0x00;
44     ANSELH = 0x00;
45
46     //I/O set up for UART pins for PIC16F886 AND 887
47     TRISA = 0b10100011;
48     TRISB = 0b00000001;
49     TRISC = 0b01101111;
50     RA6 = 1;          //RED Power light
51     RC4 = 0;
52     GIE = 1;          //Global interrupt bit
53     INTE = 1;         //enables Interrupt RBO
54     INTF = 0;
55     TOCS = 0;         //timer 0 clock source set to Internal instruction cycle clock (FOSC/4)
56     TOSE = 0;         // TMR0 Source Edge Select bit 0 = Increment on low-to-high transition on TOCKI
pin
57     PSA = 1;          // Prescaler Assignment bit turned to a 1 for a 1:1 Ratio for TIMERO
58     RBIE = 1;         //Port B interrupt enabled
59     IOCB0 = 1;        //Interrupt on Change Bit enabled
60     PEIE = 1;         //Periferial interrupt enabled on page 221 of data sheet
61     //SETS THE Internal Oscillator Frequency TO 8 MHz instead of the default 4MHz
62     IRCF2 = 1;
63     IRCF1 = 1;        // this is the max frequency the chip can handle without going to a external
oscillator
64     IRCF0 = 1;        // like a 20 KHz crystal
65
66     //Setting up baudrate and RX configuration
67     SPBRG = 12;        //9600 baud rate with 0.16% error rate
68     BRGH = 0;         //High baud rate generator
69     BRG16 = 0;        //16-BIT baud rate generator
70     SYNC = 0;         //Eusart asynchronous mode
71     SPEN = 1;         //Serial port enable
72     SREN = 0;         //Single receive enable bit
73     CREN = 1;         //Continuous receive enable bit
74     TXEN = 1;
75 }
76 void detectCode(int data[]){//writes decoded string onto lcd
77 {
78     clear_lcd();
79     top_line();
80     for(int i = 0; i < 24; i++)
81     {
82         if(data[i] == 0)
83             printf("0");
84         else
85             printf("1");
86         if(i==9) next_line();
87     }

```

```

88
89 //*****
90 //REMOTE CONTROLS CONFIGURATION
91 //*****
92 __delay_ms(1000);
93 clear_lcd();
94 resultH = (data[0]<<9 | data[1]<<8 | data[2]<<7 | data[3]<<6 | data[4]<<5 | data[5]<<4 |
data[6]<<3 | data[7]<<2 | data[8]<<1 | data[9]);
95 resultM = (data[10]<<9 | data[11]<<8 | data[12]<<7 | data[13]<<6 | data[14]<<5 | data[15]<<4
| data[16]<<3 | data[17]<<2 | data[18]<<1 | data[19]<<0 | data[20]); //| data[21]<<3 | data[22]<<2 |
data[23]<<1 | data[24]);
96 resultL = (data[20]<<3 | data[21]<<2 | data[22]<<1 | data[23]);
97 int addr = ((resultM <<4) | resultL);
98
99 printf("addr:%x",addr);
100 next_line();
101 printf("cmd:%x",resultH);
102
103 if (resultH == 0x3cb && addr == 0x10d2){ //UP CHANNEL
104     next_line();
105     printf("cmd:%x up ", resultH);
106 }
107
108 if (resultH == 0x3cb && addr == 0xd3){ //DOWN CHANNEL
109     next_line();
110     printf("cmd:%x down ", resultH);
111 }
112
113 if (resultH == 0x3cb && addr == 0x30d0){ //VOLUME UP (RIGHT ARROW)
114     next_line();
115     printf("cmd:%x right ", resultH);
116 }
117 if (resultH == 0x3cb && addr == 0x20d1){ //VOLUME DOWN (LEFT ARROW)
118     next_line();
119     printf("cmd:%x left ", resultH);
120 }
121 if (resultH == 0x3cc && addr == 0x10de){ //BUTTON ONE
122     next_line();
123     printf("cmd:%x B1 ", resultH);
124 }
125 if (resultH == 0x3cc && addr == 0x20dd){ //BUTTON TWO
126     next_line();
127     printf("cmd:%x B2", resultH);
128 }
129 if (resultH == 0x3cc && addr == 0x30dc){ //BUTTON THREE
130     next_line();
131     printf("cmd:%x B3", resultH);
132 }

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133 if (resultH == 0x385 && addr == 0x11fa){    //PLAY BUTTON
134     next_line();
135     printf("cmd:%x  PLAY", resultH);
136 }
137 if (resultH == 0x387 && addr == 0x31e0){    //STOP BUTTON
138     next_line();
139     printf("cmd:%x  STOP", resultH);
140 }
141 if (resultH == 0x3cd && addr == 0xdb){    //BUTTON FOUR
142     next_line();
143     printf("cmd:%x  B4", resultH);
144 }
145 if (resultH == 0x3cd && addr == 0x10da){    //BUTTON FIVE
146     next_line();
147     printf("cmd:%x  B5", resultH);
148 }
149 if (resultH == 0x3cd && addr == 0x20d9){    //BUTTON SIX
150     next_line();
151     printf("cmd:%x  B6", resultH);
152 }
153 if (resultH == 0x3cd && addr == 0x30d8){    //BUTTON SEVEN
154     next_line();
155     printf("cmd:%x  B7", resultH);
156 }
157 if (resultH == 0x3ce && addr == 0xc7){    //BUTTON EIGHT
158     next_line();
159     printf("cmd:%x  B8", resultH);
160 }
161 if (resultH == 0x3ce && addr == 0x10c6){    //BUTTON NINE
162     next_line();
163     printf("cmd:%x  B9", resultH);
164 }
165 if (resultH == 0x3cc && addr == 0xdf){    //BUTTON ZERO
166     next_line();
167     printf("cmd:%x  B0", resultH);
168     __delay_ms(250);
169     clear_lcd();
170     printf("BOOM BABY");
171     RB2 = 1;
172     __delay_ms(500);
173     RB2 = 0;
174 }
175
176 //////////////////////////////////////
177 //POWER BUTTON
178 //////////////////////////////////////
179 if (resultH == 0x3ca && addr == 0x20d5){    //POWER BUTTON
180     next_line();

```

```

181     printf("cmd:%x POWER", resultH); //Print out the command portion in hexadecimal
182     clear_lcd();
183
184     if (toggle==0) {
185         RC4 =1;
186         toggle = 1;
187         printf("cmd:%x POWER ON", resultH);
188         addr = 0;
189     }
190     else{
191         RC4 = 0;
192         toggle = 0;
193         printf("cmd:%x PWR OFF", resultH);
194     }
195 }
196}
197
198int data[24] = 0;    //holds data while code is being decoded
199int starting_bit = 0;    //holds whether decoding has starting_bit
200int bits_recieved = 0; //bits that have been received
201int time_count = 0; //the current time since the last bit was received
202
203/*****
204 *          INTERRUPT ROUTINE & DECODING PROCESSES
205 * *****/
206 * *****/
207*/
208
209void interrupt interruptRoutine()//handles interrupts
210{
211
212     if (RBIF)    //on positive change of RB0 'raises' the flag, set in the Init()
213     {
214         if(RB0)    //on ir signal received
215         {
216             TOIE = 1;    //turn on counting
217             TMRO = 255;    //preset counter
218             time_count = 0; //reset time
219         }
220         else    //on falling edge
221         {
222             TOIE = 0;    //disable timer
223
224             if(!starting_bit)    //wait for initial starting code which has duration roughly 80-90 counts
225             {
226                 if(time_count >= 1 && time_count <= 100)
227                 {
228                     starting_bit = 1;

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229     }
230     else
231     {
232         starting_bit = 0; //if count exceeds 100 then everything resets back to zero
233         bits_recieved = 0; //and awaits for a new IR code to be sent
234     }
235 }
236 else //decode a bit in the series of bits
237 {
238     if(time_count >0 && time_count <22) // counts to see if bit [i] will be a zero or a one
239     {
240         data[bits_recieved] = 0;
241     }
242     else if(time_count >=23 && time_count <= 42)
243     {
244         data[bits_recieved] = 1;
245     }
246     else
247     {
248         starting_bit = 0; //set for timeout so that if there is an error it will reset bits and count
249         bits_recieved = 0;
250     }
251
252     if(bits_recieved == 23)//when code is fully decoded print result
253     {
254         detectCode(data);
255         starting_bit = 0;
256         bits_recieved = 0;
257     }
258     else
259     {
260         bits_recieved++; //increment bit count
261     }
262 }
263 }
264 }
265
266 RBIF = 0;          //reset interrupt flag
267 }
268 else if(TOIF)
269 {
270     time_count = time_count + 1;    //increase clock time
271     TMRO = 179;                    //preset timer will give me 50 uS
272     TOIF = 0;                      //reset interrupt flag
273
274     if(time_count >150)              //abort after timeout
275     {
276         TOIE = 0;                    //turn off timer interrupt

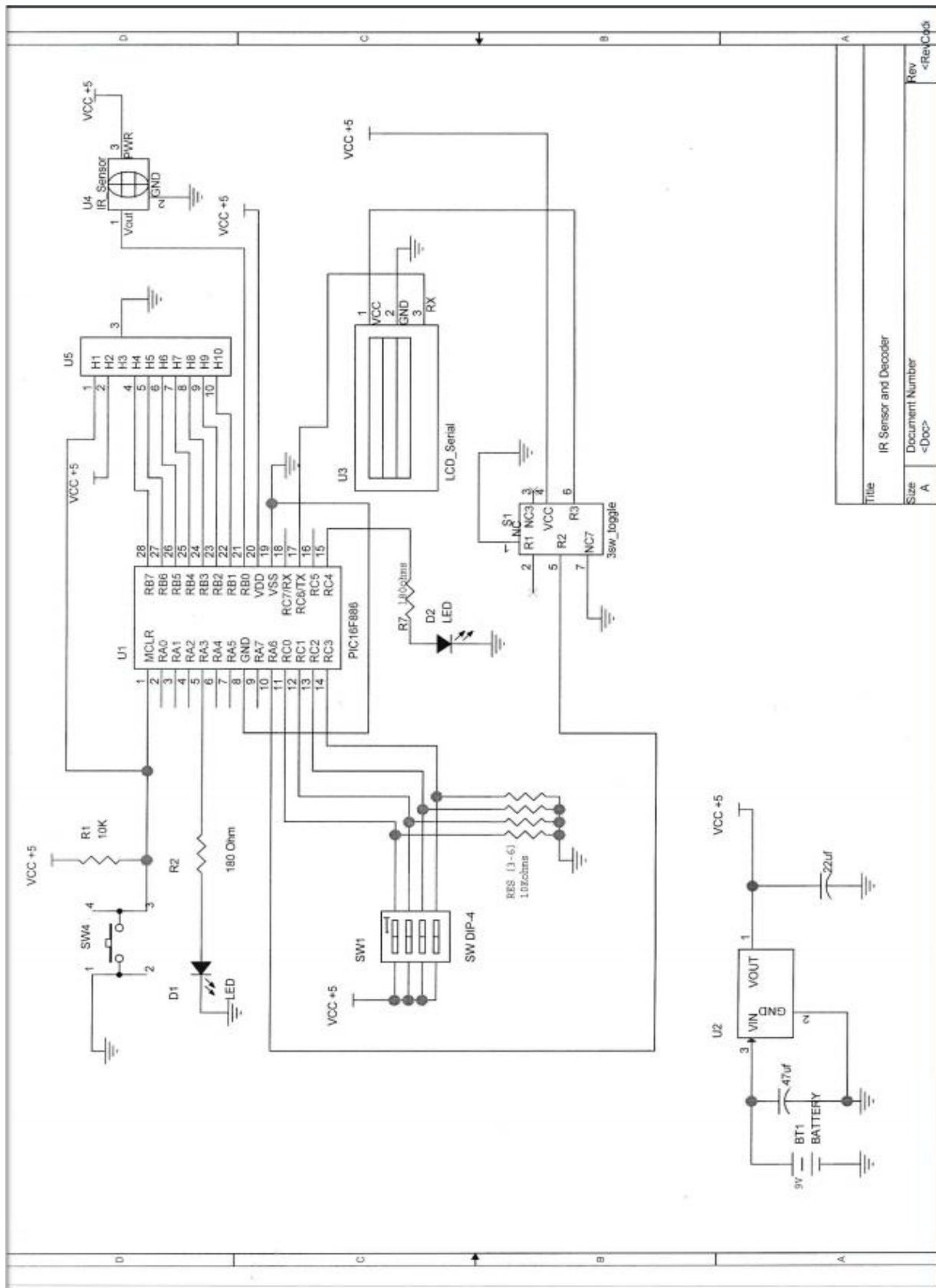
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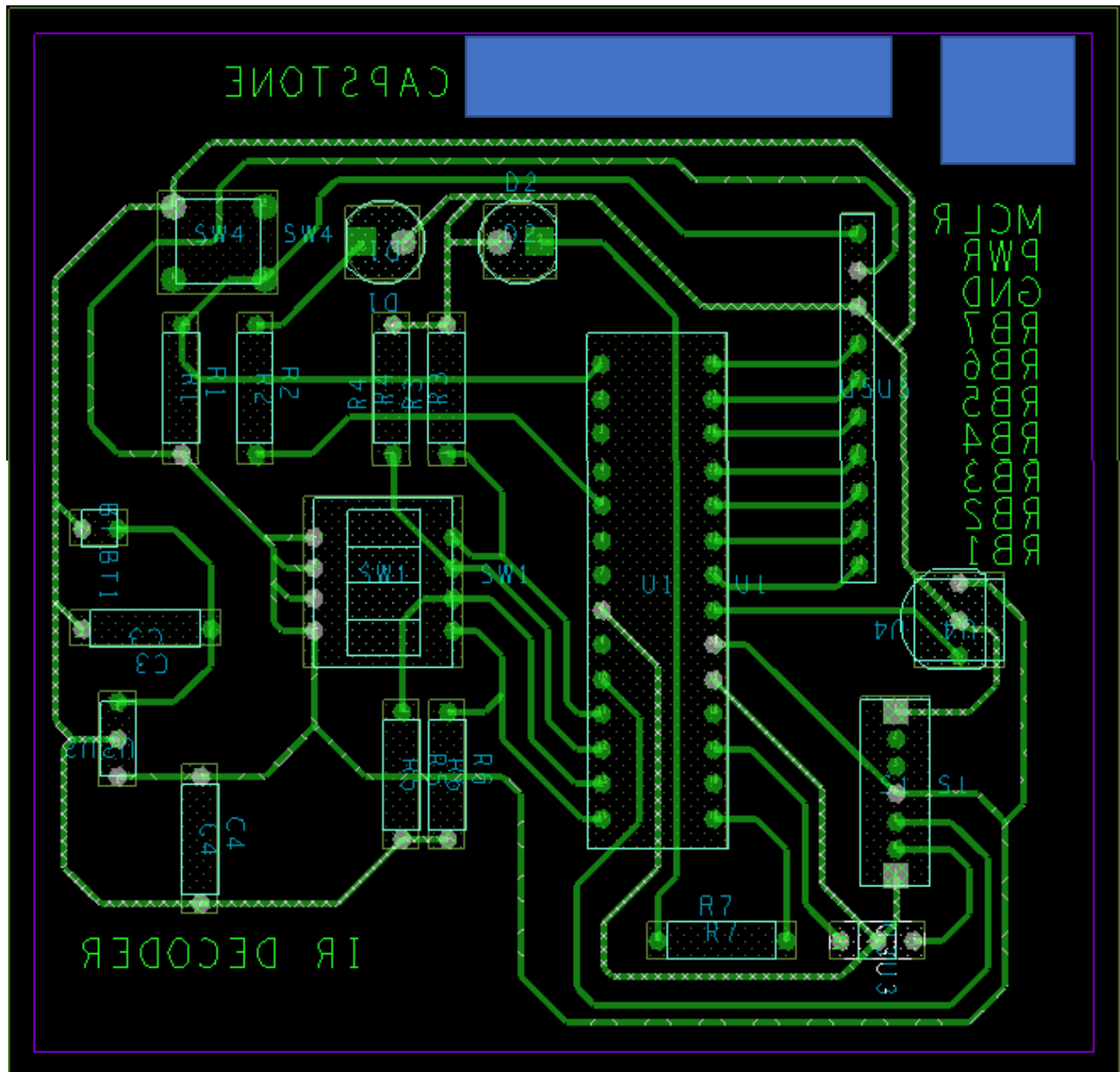
277     starting_bit = 0;    //reset 'starting_bit' to zero
278     bits_recieved = 0;   //back to 0 bits
279 }
280 }
281}
282/*****
283 *           STANDARD LCD SCREEN COMMANDS AND CONTROLS
284 * *****/
285 * *****/
286*/
287clear_lcd()
288 {
289     putchar (0xFE);
290     putchar (0x01);
291     __delay_ms (10);
292 }
293void putch (unsigned char byte)
294{
295     while (!TRMT); //Needed to make 'printf' statement work
296     TXREG = byte;  //wait until TX buffer is empty
297 }
298next_line ()
299{
300     //SUU LCD
301     putchar (0xFE);
302     putchar (0xC0); //codes to locate cursor at position 0 on line 2
303
304}
305top_line ()
306{
307     //SUU LCD
308     putchar (0xFE);
309     putchar (0x80); //codes to locate cursor at position 0 on line 1
310
311 }

```

# Schematic Diagram









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### INTRODUCTION

This chapter contains general information that will be useful to know before using the Timers Tutorial. Items discussed in this chapter include:

- Document Layout
- The Microchip Web Site
- Customer Support
- Document Revision History

### DOCUMENT LAYOUT

This document provides an introduction to Timer0.

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- Initial Release of this Document.



## TIMERS TUTORIAL

### Timers: Timer0 Tutorial (Part 2)

## OBJECTIVES

At the end of this lab you should be able to:

1. Develop application firmware to generate TMR0 overflow interrupts for specified time periods.
2. Develop application firmware using an external clock source with the Timer0 module.
3. Develop external Timer0 clock source applications that meet PIC16F690 Electrical Specifications.

## PREREQUISITES

In order to successfully complete this lab you should:

1. Understand basic circuit theory.
2. Understand basic digital electronic components such as gates, multiplexers and memory registers.
3. Understand binary numbering systems and basic binary arithmetic.
4. Have some programming experience in the C Language.
5. Have completed the *“Introduction to MPLAB® IDE/PICC-Lite™ Compiler Tutorial”* (DS41322).
6. Have completed *“Timers: Timer0 Tutorial (Part1)”* (DS51682).

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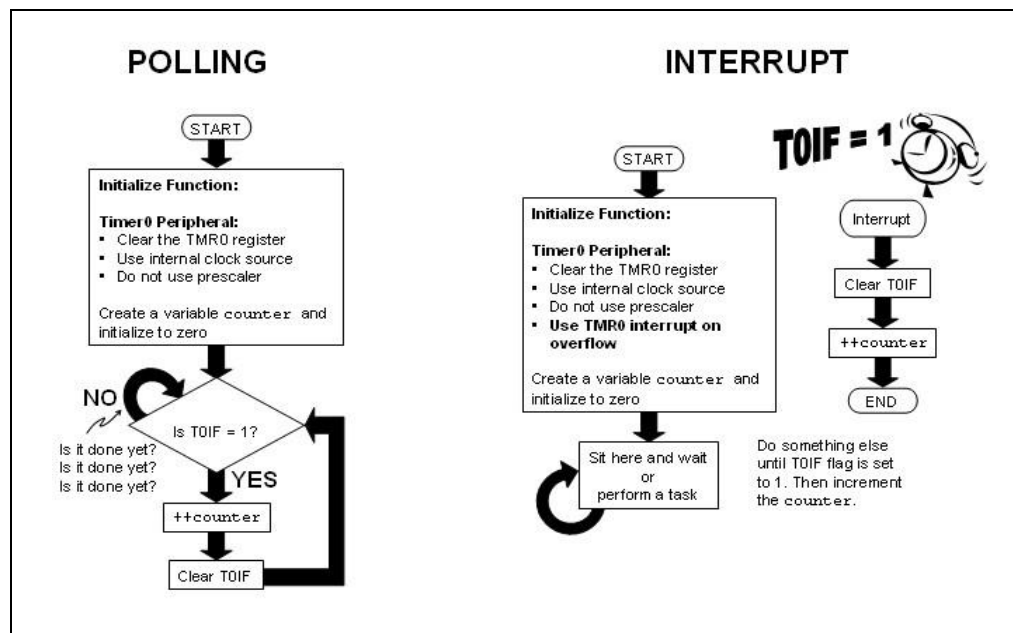
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4. It is also recommended that you download a copy of the PIC16F690 data sheet (DS41262) from [www.microchip.com](http://www.microchip.com).

## TIMER0 INTERRUPT

In the previous lab we incremented a variable, `counter`, whenever the Timer0 value register TMR0 overflowed from 255 to 0. To do this, a “Polling” algorithm was used where the Timer0 Interrupt Flag (TOIF) was checked periodically to see if it was set to ‘1’. This indicated that the TMR0 register had overflowed and that the `counter` variable should be incremented. Now, you may notice that this type of algorithm of periodically checking the TOIF ties up the processor for however long it takes to perform the check. This may be acceptable for some applications, however, there will be times when you would like the processor to devote its attention to a different task and only take care of, or “service”, incrementing the `counter` variable when the TOIF flag overflows without needing to constantly check its status. This is easily accomplished on mid-range PIC® microcontrollers, such as the PIC16F690, using interrupts which serve as an alarm, signaling that a particular event has occurred (such as when the TOIF flag is set). In Figure 1-1, the left-hand flowchart represents the polling algorithm used in the previous lab while the right-hand flowchart represents an alternative approach in the form of an interrupt routine.

**FIGURE 1-1: POLLING AND INTERRUPT ALGORITHMS TO INCREMENT COUNTER VARIABLE**



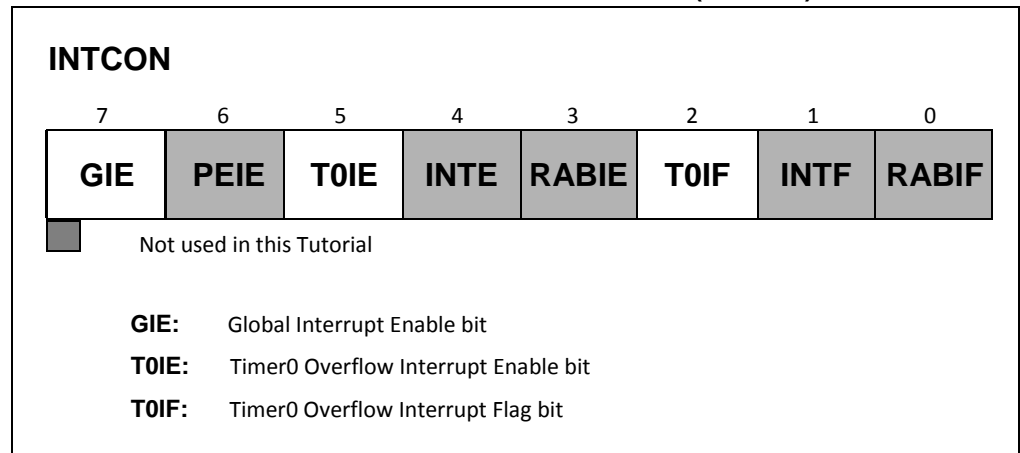
The PIC16F690 can be configured to perform a specific task when an interrupt occurs. This is called the Interrupt Service Routine or “ISR” for short. When any interrupt occurs, and there could be more than one, the processor will immediately stop what it is doing and jump to the ISR to service the interrupt. Once completed, the processor returns to what it was doing in code, prior to being interrupted. If multiple peripheral interrupts are used, a prioritization algorithm will need to be included in the ISR to determine which interrupt is

served first. This lab will concentrate on Timer0 interrupts only and not introduce any others.

## CONFIGURING TIMER0 INTERRUPTS

The PIC16F690, as with any other PIC mid-range microcontroller, can be configured to generate an interrupt when the TMR0 register overflows from 255 to 0 (11111111<sub>2</sub> to 00000000<sub>2</sub>). To accomplish this, we must utilize the Interrupt Control (INTCON) register. Figure 1-3 shows the INTCON register with the bits used in this tutorial.

**FIGURE 1-2: INTERRUPT CONTROL REGISTER (INTCON)**



There are basically three primary Configuration bits used to configure any interrupt. First, the Global Interrupt Enable bit (GIE) acts as a sort of “Master Switch” that must be set to enable interrupt capability on the PIC mid-range microcontroller. The GIE will automatically clear to ‘0’ whenever an interrupt occurs, ensuring that no other interrupts can occur during execution of the ISR. Therefore, once the ISR is completed, the GIE must be set again to enable future interrupts. Next, each peripheral will have individual interrupt enable bits. These individual interrupt enable bits may be contained within a separate Peripheral Interrupt Register (PIRx). However, the Timer0 peripheral interrupt enable bit is contained within the INTCON register. The Timer0 Overflow Interrupt Flag bit (TOIF) is set, and remains set until cleared in software, when a Timer0 overflow has occurred. This bit needs to be cleared if further interrupts are required for this peripheral. The following recommended sequence should be used when configuring any interrupt and following any ISR:

1. Clear the interrupt flag (Timer0 Overflow Interrupt Flag).
2. Enable the individual peripheral interrupt (set the Timer0 Overflow Interrupt Enable bit).
3. Enable PIC mid-range MCU interrupt capability by setting the Global Interrupt Enable bit.

Interrupt configuration using these steps will ensure that interrupts do not occur during initialization, causing unexpected results.



## HANDS-ON LAB 1: TIMER0 INTERRUPTS

### Purpose:

In this lab, a counter variable will increment each time the TMR0 register overflows from 255 to 0. To accomplish this, we will configure INTCON so that an interrupt occurs whenever the T0IF (TMR0 Overflow Interrupt Flag) is set, indicating an overflow. To implement an interrupt using the PICC-LITE compiler, the interrupt function qualifier must be used followed by the chosen name of the Interrupt Service Routine (refer to Example 1-1).

### EXAMPLE 1-1:     TIMER0\_ISR

```
void interrupt Timer0_ISR(void)
{ if (T0IE && T0IF) //are TMR0 interrupts enabled and //is
  the TMR0 interrupt flag set?
  {
    T0IF=0;           //TMR0 interrupt flag must be cleared in software
                      //to allow subsequent interrupts
    ++counter;        //increment the counter variable by 1
  }
}
```

## PROCEDURE

### Part 1: Configuring Timer0 Interrupts

1. Create a new project in MPLAB IDE using the following:
  - a) Select the PIC16F690 as the device.
  - b) Select HI-TECH PICC-LITE™ as the Language Toolsuite.
  - c) Create a folder on your C:\ drive and store the project there.
2. In the MPLAB IDE workspace, create a new file and copy the code in Example 1-2 into it.

## EXAMPLE 1-2: HANDS-ON LAB CODE

```
#include <pic.h>

//Configure device
__CONFIG(INTIO & WDTDIS & PWRTDIS & MCLRDIS &
          UNPROTECT & BORDIS & IESODIS & FCMDIS);

//-----DATA MEMORY

unsigned char counter;           //counter variable to count
                                //the number of TMR0 overflows



//-----PROGRAM MEMORY

/*-----
Subroutine: Timer0_ISR
Parameters: none
Returns:    nothing
Synopsis: This is the Interrupt Service Routine for
Timer0 overflow interrupts. On TMR0 overflow the counter variable
is incremented by 1 -----
-----*/ void interrupt Timer0_ISR(void)
{
    if (T0IE && T0IF)    //are TMR0 interrupts enabled and //is
                        //the TMR0 interrupt flag set?
    {
        T0IF=0;          //TMR0 interrupt flag must be
                        //cleared in software
                        //to allow subsequent interrupts
        ++counter;        //increment the counter variable
                        //by 1
    }
}
```

**EXAMPLE 1-2: HANDS-ON LAB CODE (CONTINUED)**

```
/*-----  
    Subroutine: INIT  
    Parameters: none  
    Returns:    nothing  
    Synopsys:   Initializes all registers  
                associated with the application  
-----*/  
Init(void)  
{  
    TMR0 = 0;           //Clear the TMR0 register  
  
    /*Configure Timer0 as follows:  
  
        - Use the internal instruction clock as  
        the source to the module  
        - Assign the Prescaler to the Watchdog  
        Timer so that TMR0 increments at a 1:1  
        ratio with the internal instruction  
        clock*/  
  
    OPTION = 0B00001000;  
    T0IE = 1;           //enable TMR0 overflow interrupts  
    GIE = 1;           //enable Global interrupts  
}  
  
/*-----  
    Subroutine: main  
    Parameters: none  
    Returns:    nothing  
    Synopsys:   Main program function  
-----*/  
*/ main(void) {  
    Init();             //Initialize the relevant registers  
  
    while(1)           //Loop forever  
    {  
    }  
}
```

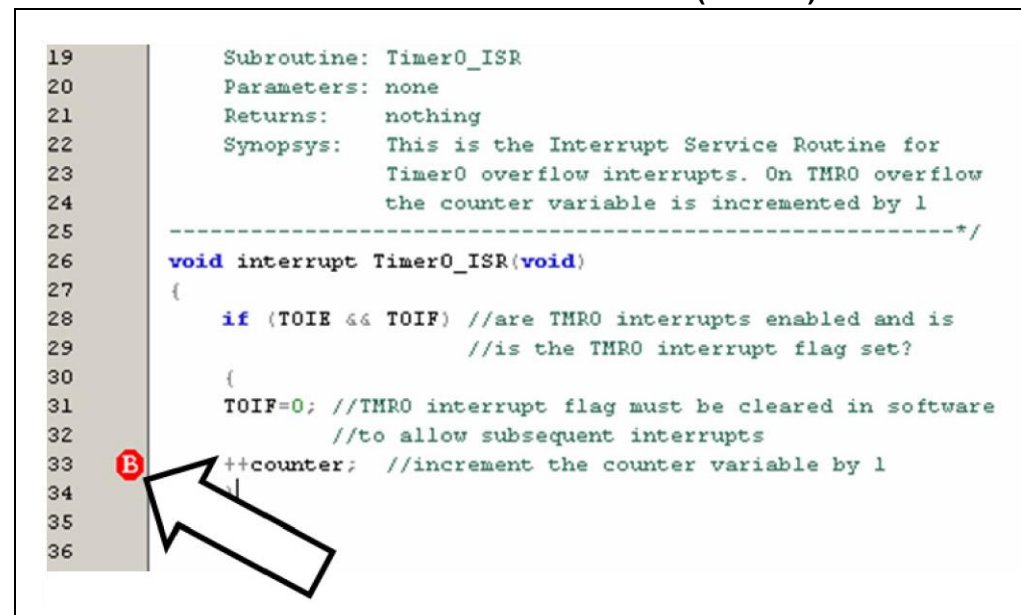
Save as a .C file.

3. Build the project by pressing the Build Project icon . There should be no errors.
  4. Select the MPLAB SIM as the debugger.
  5. Open a Watch window and add the TMR0, INTCON and OPTION\_REG Special Function Registers.
  6. Add the `counter` symbol. Configure the Watch window to allow binary, hexadecimal and decimal values to be seen.
  7. Press the Animate icon  in the Debugger toolbar and confirm that the following occurs:
    - a) On a TMR0 overflow (255  $\rightarrow$  0) the TOIF flag is set (INTCON<2>).
    - b) Using the Watch window, confirm that when the TMR0 flag sets, the `Timer0_ISR()` interrupt routine is executed and the `counter` variable is incremented by one.
- Part 2: Timing Analysis**

Next, we will check to see how fast the `counter` variable is actually incrementing.

1. Open the Stopwatch by selecting Debugger > Stopwatch.
2. The simulator Processor Frequency automatically defaults to 20 MHz. This will need to be changed to the oscillator frequency used on this particular PIC microcontroller. To change the Processor Frequency select Debugger>Settings and change the Processor Frequency to 8 MHz (max. internal oscillator frequency on the PIC16F690) under the Osc/Trace tab.
3. Setup a breakpoint next to the line in the interrupt `Timer0_ISR()` subroutine that increments the `counter` variable (see Figure 1-3).

**FIGURE 1-3: INTERRUPT CONTROL REGISTER (INTCON)**



**Note:** The specific line number in your code may differ from that shown.

Setting the breakpoint here will allow the Stopwatch to analyze the time interval between successive `counter` variable increments.

In the “*Timers: Timer0 Tutorial (Part1)*” (DS51682), an equation was introduced to determine the length of time for successive `counter` variable increments (see Equation 1-1).

#### EQUATION 1-1: DETERMINING INTERNAL INSTRUCTION CLOCK CYCLE PERIOD

$$\text{Internal instruction cycle} = 1 / [(\text{Processor Frequency}) / 4] = 1 / (8 \text{ MHz} / 4) = 500 \text{ nS}$$

Since the TMR0 register is 8-bits wide, it will take 256 internal instruction cycles for an overflow to happen ( $2^8 = 256$ ). Since the PIC16F690 is configured to run off of the 8 MHz internal oscillator, we can use Equation 1-2 to determine TMR0 overflow.

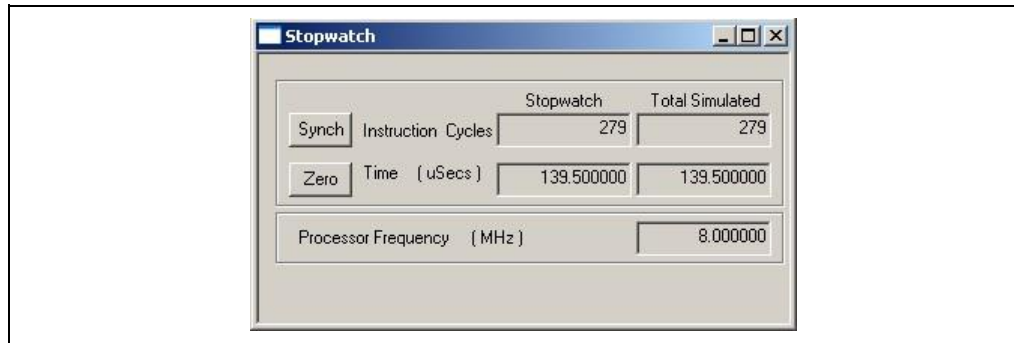
#### EQUATION 1-2: DETERMINING TMR0 OVERFLOW PERIOD

$$\text{TMR0 overflow} = \text{Internal instruction cycle} \times 2^8 \text{ (we must count the zero)} = 500 \text{ nS} \times 256 = 128 \mu\text{S}$$

On any TMR0 overflow, the Interrupt Service Routine (`Timer0_ISR()`) will execute by clearing TOIF and then increment the `counter` variable. Let’s check to see if this is what happens.

4. Press the **Reset** button on the simulator toolbar.
5. Press the **Run** button to execute the program up until the breakpoint is encountered. The Stopwatch window should resemble Figure 1-4.

**FIGURE 1-4: STOPWATCH WINDOW**



Notice the Stopwatch indicates it took 139.5  $\mu\text{S}$  to reach the breakpoint. This doesn’t agree with Equation 1-2. However, don’t forget that there is some extra code that the central processing unit (CPU) will need to execute before configuring the Timer0 peripheral such as device configuration, variable declarations and so on.

6. Press the **Zero** button in the Stopwatch window. This clears the Stopwatch to zero without resetting the CPU. Press the **Run** button once again in the simulator toolbar. The Stopwatch should now resemble Figure 1-5.

**FIGURE 1-5: UPDATED STOPWATCH WINDOW**



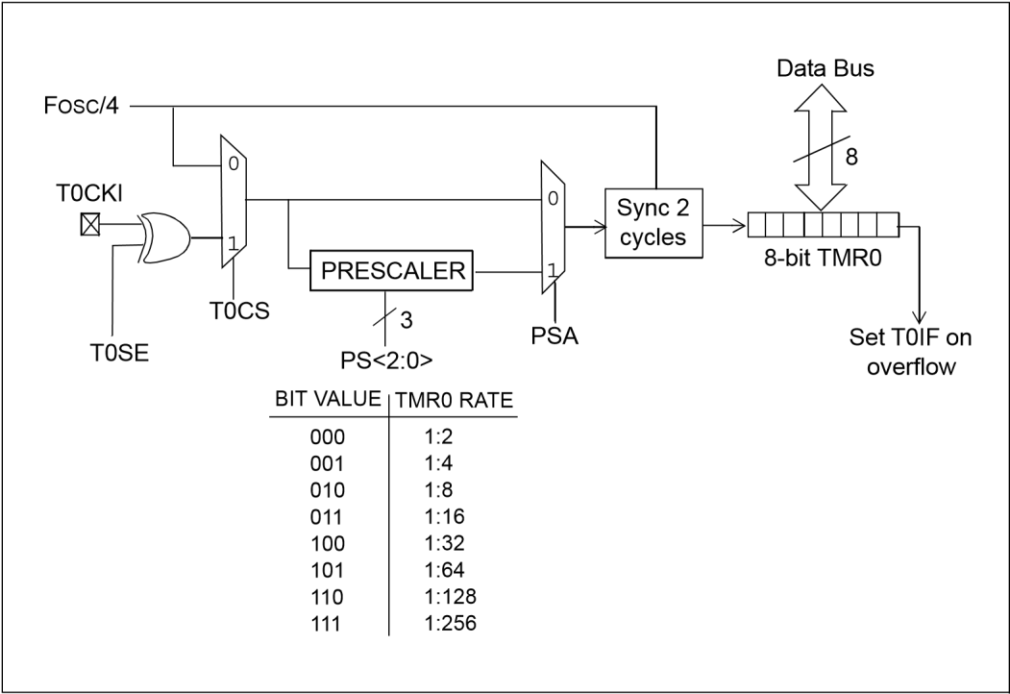
The Stopwatch should now indicate that it has taken precisely 128  $\mu\text{s}$  to reach the breakpoint as per Equation 1-2. In *"Timers: Timer0 Tutorial (Part1)"* (DS51682), the time it took using polling instead of interrupts to increment the `counter` variable was close but not exactly what was calculated. Why do you think that is?

It can be concluded that in timing sensitive applications, it's a good idea to utilize TMR0 interrupts. In this way, if TMR0 overflows, the processor immediately stops whatever it is doing, services the interrupt (executes the interrupt subroutine) and then resumes its previous task.

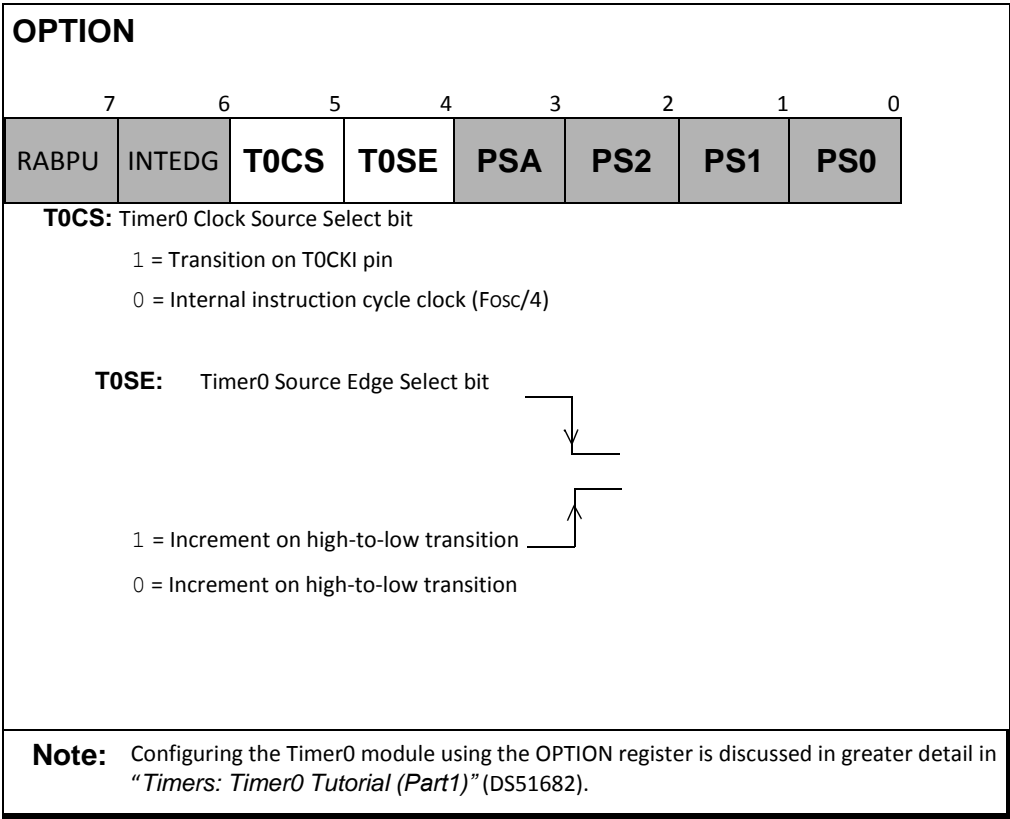
## USING AN EXTERNAL CLOCK SOURCE

When the topic of Timers was first introduced in *"Timers: Timer0 Tutorial (Part1)"* (DS51682), it was mentioned that these peripherals could be used as timers or counters. The only difference is how the module is used. Up until this point, the labs have focused on using Timer0 as a timer. In this section, Timer0 is used as a counter. PIC microcontrollers allow the use of an external source to drive the TMR0 register via connection to the Timer0 Clock Input pin (T0CKI) (refer to Figure 1-6 and Figure 1-7). This external source could be an oscillator or simply a pushbutton connected to the pin. Also notice in the block diagram that the T0CKI signal enters an XOR gate along with the Timer0 Source Edge Select bit (T0SE) from the OPTION register. This allows the TMR0 register value to increment on either the high-to-low (negative edge) or low-to-high (positive edge) transition of the signal on the T0CKI pin. Following the signal path through the block diagram, this signal can also be prescaled. Perhaps the application requires that the TMR0 register is incremented every 2<sup>nd</sup> negative edge of the input signal or every 256<sup>th</sup> edge of the positive going edge. Remember that in order to use this prescaler the PSA bit in the OPTION register needs to be cleared to zero. Also note that the input signal passes through a 2-cycle synchronization circuit to ensure synchronization with the PIC16F690 instruction clock.

**FIGURE 1-6: SIMPLIFIED BLOCK DIAGRAM OF TIMER0 MODULE**



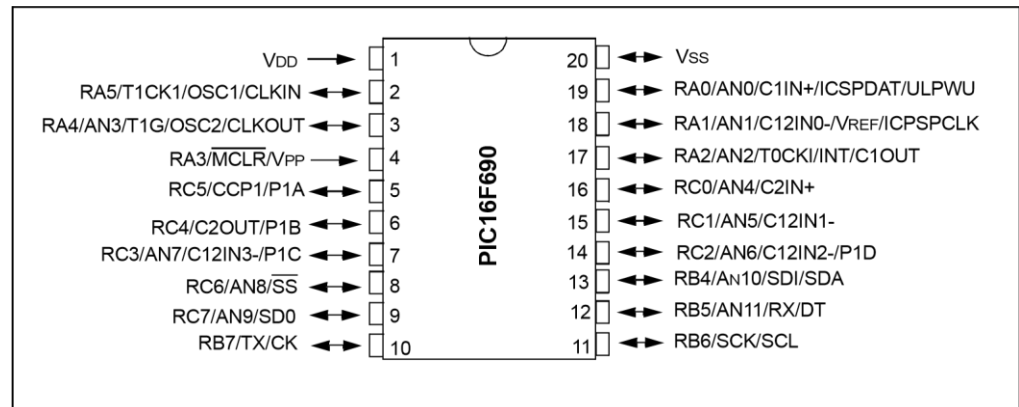
**FIGURE 1-7: OPTION REGISTER SHOWING THE TIMER0 CLOCK SOURCE SELECT AND SOURCE EDGE SELECT BITS**



As shown in Figure 1-8, which shows the pin-out diagram for the PIC16F690, the TOCKI pin shares functionality as follows:

- RA2 represents the bit 2 position of the PORTA register
- INT represents an external interrupt pin
- C1OUT represents the output of the Comparator 1 module
- AN2 represents an input to the Analog-to-Digital converter module.

**FIGURE 1-8: PIC16F690 PIN-OUT DIAGRAM**



The AN2 feature of this pin means it can be used for either digital or analog signals. The PIC16F690, has been designed so that the analog pins (i.e., ANx) will default to analog when the PIC MCU powers up. Since this pin will be used for a digital signal, analog functionality is disabled using a Special Function Register called the Analog Select Register (ANSEL) as shown in Figure 1-9.

**FIGURE 1-9: ANALOG SELECT REGISTER**

ANSEL: ANALOG SELECT REGISTER							
ANS7	ANS6	ANS5	ANS4	ANS3	ANS2	ANS1	ANS0
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
<p><b>ANS&lt;7:0&gt;:</b> Analog Select bits</p> <p>Analog select between analog or digital function on pins AN&lt;7:0&gt; respectively</p> <p>1 = Pin is configured as Analog input</p> <p>0 = Pin is configured as Digital input</p>							

Referring to the pin-out diagram for the PIC16F690 in Figure 1-8, notice that there are actually 12 analog configurable pins (i.e., AN0 to AN11). The Analog Select High (ANSELH) register can be configured as well if needed for these pins. However, in this application, the only pin of interest is the TOCKI/AN2 pin. These other pins will be discussed in greater detail in other labs and as always, for more information on this or any other feature of this product, refer to the data sheet.



When using an external input signal of any kind, it is important to pay particular attention to electrical specifications and timing parameters listed in the data sheet. The 2-cycle synchronization block shown in Figure 1-6 samples the input signal on the T0CKI pin and synchronizes it with the clock used by PIC16F690. Therefore, there are some important equations to know when not using the prescaler for Timer0 (see Equation 1-3 and Equation 1-4):

**EQUATION 1-3: MINIMUM HIGH PULSE WIDTH OF T0CKI SOURCE SIGNAL WITH NO PRESCALER**

$$T_{0H} = \left( \frac{\text{signal pulse width}}{\{\text{PIC MCU OscillatorFrequency}\}} \right)^2 + 20nS = \text{minimum HIGH T0CKI}$$

Example:

If using the 8 MHz internal oscillator, use Equation 1-4 and Equation 1-5.

**EQUATION 1-4: MINIMUM LOW PULSE WIDTH OF T0CKI SOURCE SIGNAL**

$$T_{0H} = \left( \frac{T}{\{8MHz\}} \right)^2 + 20nS = a \text{ minimum HIGH pulse of } 270nS$$

**EQUATION 1-5: MINIMUM LOW PULSE WIDTH OF T0CKI SOURCE SIGNAL WITH NO PRESCALER**

$$T_{0H} = \left( \frac{\text{pulse width}}{\{\text{PIC MCU OscillatorFrequency}\}} \right)^2 + 20nS = \text{minimum LOW T0CKI signal}$$

Example:

If using the 8 MHz internal oscillator, the minimum low pulse width can be calculated as shown in Equation 1-6.

**EQUATION 1-6: MINIMUM LOW PULSE WIDTH OF T0CKI SOURCE SIGNAL WITH 8 MHz INTERNAL OSCILLATOR**

$$T_{0H} = \left( \frac{T}{\{8MHz\}} \right)^2 + 20nS = a \text{ minimum LOW pulse width of } 270nS$$

The internal sampling that occurs on the T0CKI signal takes two clock cycles of the PIC microcontrollers oscillator. Divide 2 by the oscillator frequency in Hz to

obtain an answer in seconds (same as multiplying the oscillator frequency in seconds by 0.5). The 20 nS added at the end of the equations represents a small 20 nS RC delay present within the device. In this lab, the 8 MHz internal oscillator is used. Therefore, it is necessary to ensure that the incoming signal stays High and/or Low for a minimum of 270 nS when not using the prescaler. If the incoming signal is a TTL square wave, this means the period can be no less than  $270\text{nS} + 270\text{nS} = 540\text{nS}$  or a frequency of  $(1/540\text{nS}) = 1.8\text{ MHz}$

To use the prescaler on the T0CKI source signal, Equation 1-7 is used.

#### EQUATION 1-7: T0CKI SOURCE SIGNAL MINIMUM PERIOD

$$T_{0H} = \left( \frac{1}{\text{PIC MCU OSCILLATOR FREQUENCY Hz} \left( \frac{1}{\text{Prescale value (i.e. 2, 4, \dots, 256)}} \right)} \right)^4 + 40\text{nS}$$

*T = 20nS OR whichever is greater*  
*= minimum T0CKI signal period*

Example:

If using the 8 MHz internal oscillator and a Timer0 prescale value of 64, the minimum T0CKI signal period is calculated as shown in Equation 1-8.

#### EQUATION 1-8: T0CKI SOURCE SIGNAL USING 8 MHz INTERNAL OSCILLATOR AND TIMER0 PRESCALE VALUE OF 0

$$T_{0H} = \left( \frac{1}{8\text{MHz}} \right)^4 + 40\text{nS} = 8.4\text{nS}$$

*which is less than 20nS. Therefore, use a minimum period of 20 nS*

In Equation 1-5, if the calculated value is less than 20 nS, a minimum period of 20 nS must be maintained. Otherwise, maintain a minimum period at the calculated value.

## HANDS-ON LAB 2: USING AN EXTERNAL CLOCK SOURCE

### Purpose:

In this lab, the counter variable will still increment each time the TMR0 register overflows from 255 to 0. This time, an external signal will be used as the Timer0 clock source and the TMR0 register configured to increment on the low-to-high transition of the signal. To simulate an external clock source the Stimulus feature of MPLAB SIM is used.

### Procedure:

#### Part 1: Using MPLAB SIM Stimulus

1. Using either the project created in the previous lab or a new project, change the OPTION register configuration value in the `Init()` to allow

### EXAMPLE 1-3: CHANGES TO `INIT()`

2. Re-compile the code and ensure that there are no errors.
3. Make sure that the MPLAB SIM simulator is selected as the debugger. Open the Stimulus Tool by selecting Debugger>Stimulus>New Workbook. The window in Figure 1-10 should now appear.

Stimulus - [Untitled]

Pin / Register Actions | Advanced Pin / Register | Clock Stimulus | Register Injection | Register Trace | Asynch

Time Units: cyc (dropdown)

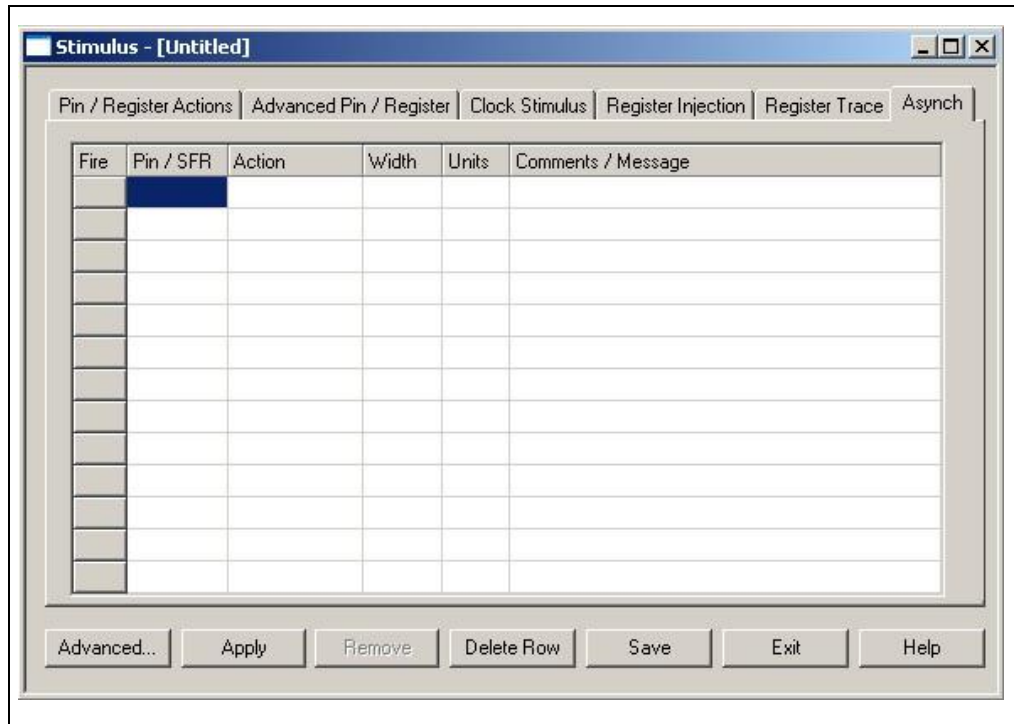
Repeat ☐ after: 1 (dec) restart at: (dropdown) (dec)

Time	Click here to Add Signals
(dec)	

Advanced... | Apply | Remove | Delete Row | Save | Exit | Help

- Next, select the Asynch tab in the Stimulus window. The Stimulus window should resemble Figure 1-11.

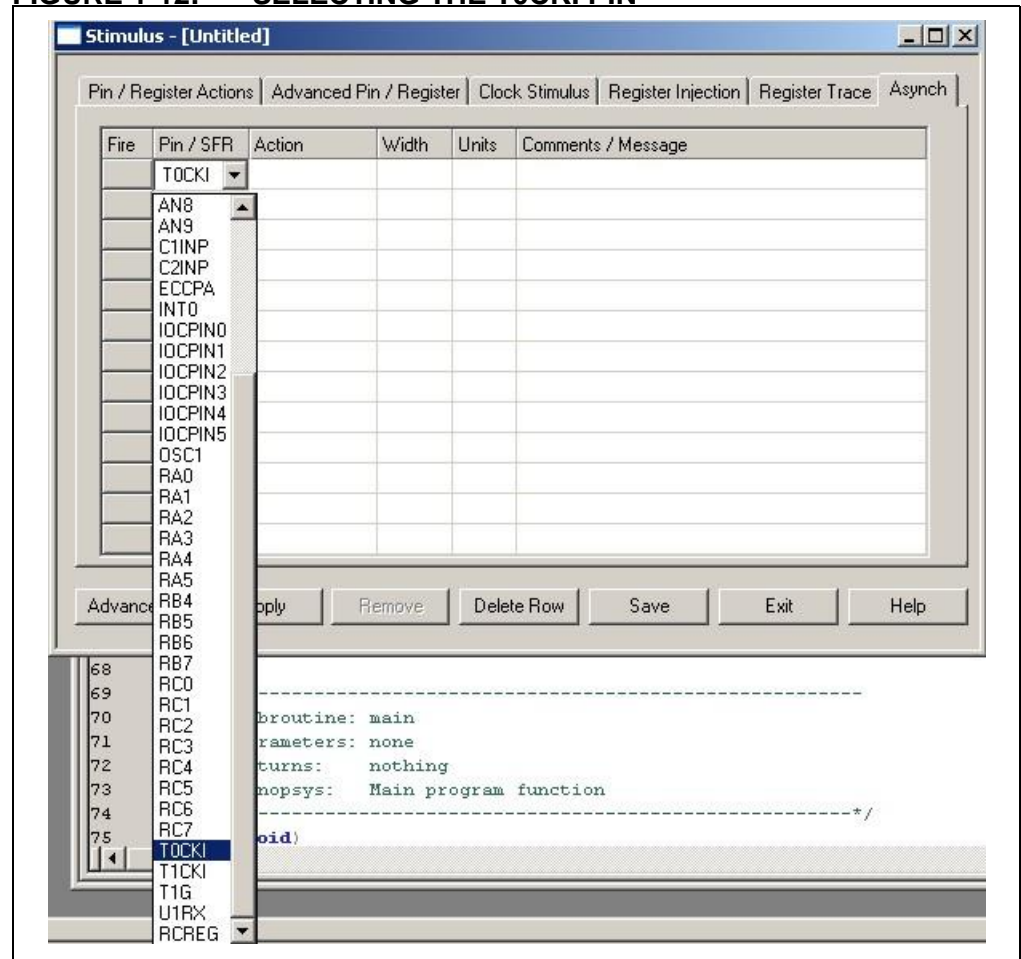
**FIGURE 1-11: ASYNCH TAB IN STIMULUS WORKBOOK**



Stimulus is a tool used to simulate a signal on a pin external to the PIC MCU or to actually generate a change to a bit in a peripheral's Special Function Register. This can be accomplished either synchronously by applying a predefined series of signal changes to an I/O pin, or asynchronously as we will use in this lab. Synchronous applications of the Stimulus feature will be discussed in other labs.

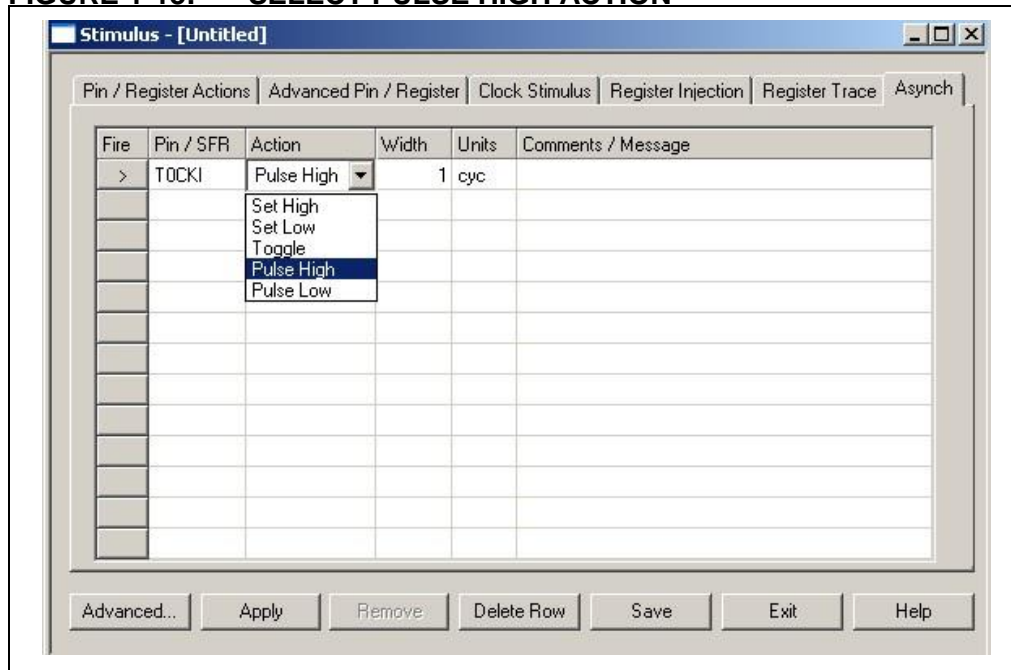
- Click on the cell immediately below the Pin/SFR heading and select the TOCKI pin (see Figure 1-12).


**FIGURE 1-12: SELECTING THE T0CKI PIN**



- Click the cell immediately under the Action Tab and select Pulse High (see Figure 1-13).

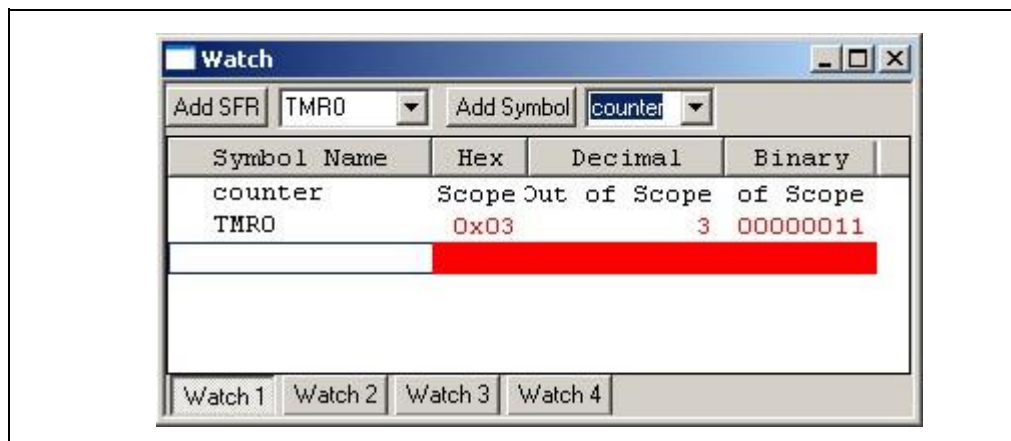
**FIGURE 1-13: SELECT PULSE HIGH ACTION**



The Stimulus tool is now configured so that during a simulation Run, pressing the **Fire** button  next to the T0CKI cell will pulse that pin input High.

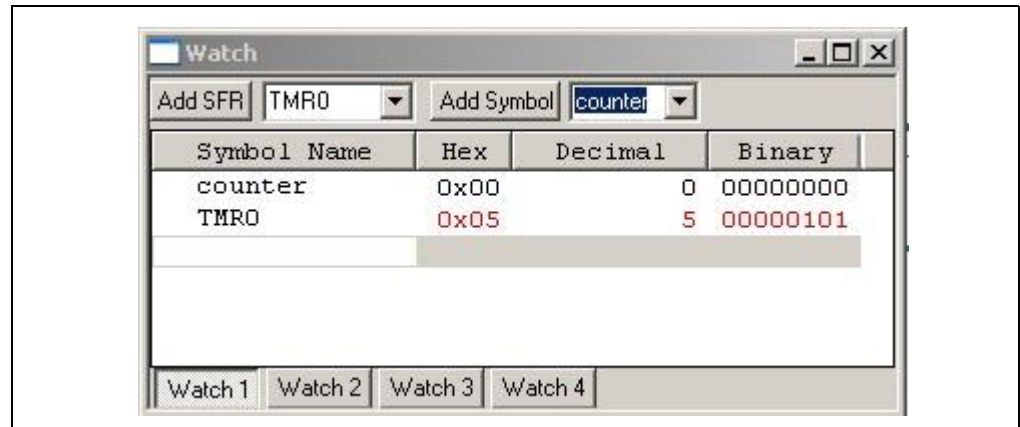
7. Open the Watch window and add the TMR0 Special Function Register as well as the counter symbol (see Figure 1-14).

**FIGURE 1-14: WATCH WINDOW WITH TMR0 AND COUNTER REGISTERS**



8. Click **Reset** then **Run** buttons in the debugger toolbar.
9. While the simulation is running, press the **Fire** button in Stimulus next to the T0CKI cell 5 times.
10. Next, stop the simulation and observe the changes to the TMR0 register. The Watch window should resemble Figure 1-15.

**FIGURE 1-15: UPDATED WATCH WINDOW**



Note that the TMR0 register has a value of 5 corresponding to the number of **Fire** button presses.

Try pressing the **Fire** button enough times to generate a TMR0 overflow interrupt that will increment the `counter` variable.

## EXERCISES

- Using the code and `Init()` function from Lab 1, configure the prescaler to generate a TMR0 interrupt that will increment the counter variable for each of the following periods **exactly** assuming that the PIC16F690 internal 8 MHz oscillator is used:
  - 8.192 mS
  - 1.024 mS
  - 15.616 mS
- Using Equation 1-2, develop a new equation that determines the prescaler value based off the required overflow period. Develop the equation further to determine a value to preload into TMR0 to generate an interrupt that doesn't fit neatly into a specific prescaler value.
- Configure the application code used in question 1 to increment the `counter` variable every 1 second.
- Calculate the minimum external clock source periods on the T0CKI pin for the following (these assume you are using the PIC16F690):
  - Using an external crystal oscillator of 20 MHz and a Timer0 prescaler value of:
    - 32
    - 64
  - Using an external crystal oscillator of 20 MHz with the Timer0 prescaler disabled.
  - Using the internal 32 kHz oscillator with the Timer0 prescaler set to 128.
- Refer to the PIC16F690 data sheet (DS41262), Table 17-5 in the Electrical Specifications section. Suppose that all equations have been performed

correctly. What is an external condition that could affect the synchronous operation of the application using an external source on the T0CKI pin?





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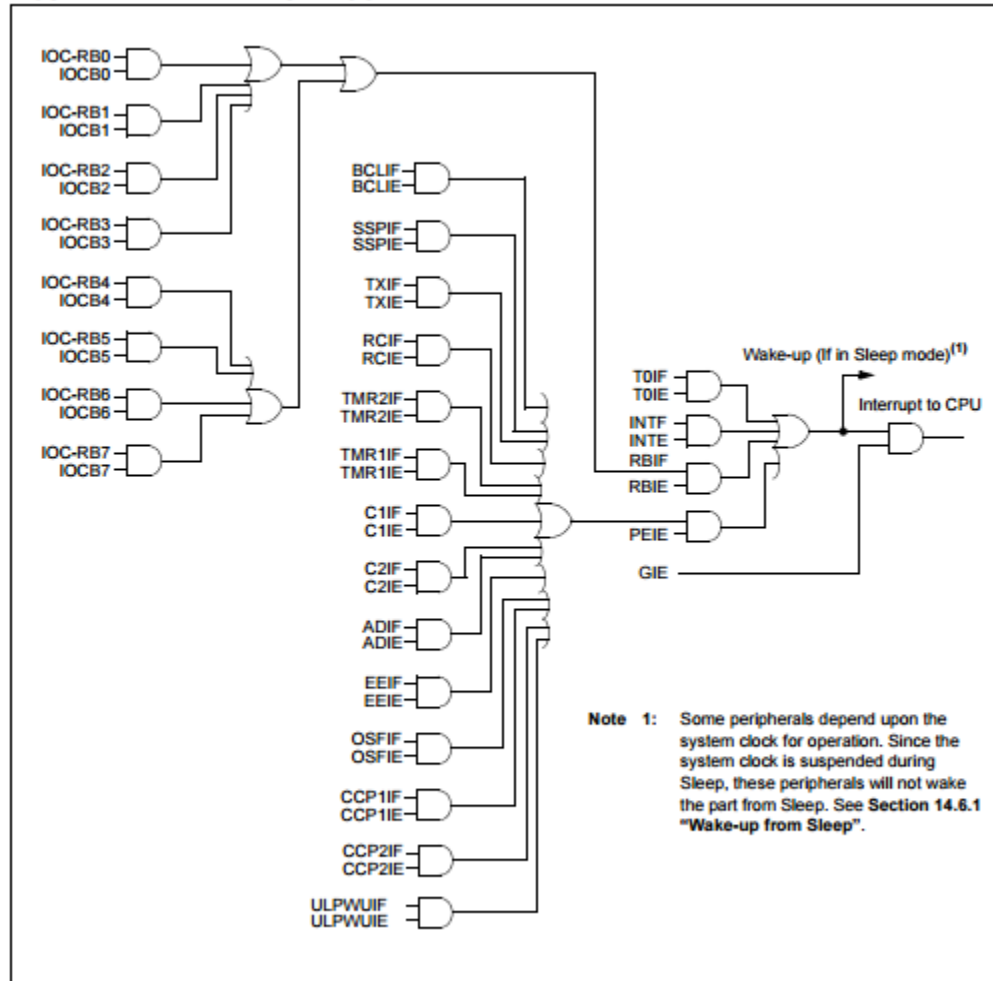
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## Interrupt Logic Diagram

I enable the IOC in the INIT() part of my code on line 59.

**FIGURE 14-7: INTERRUPT LOGIC**



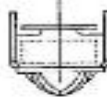
**GP1UW70QS**


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ED-03021 GP1UW70QS series  
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**REFERENCE**

Model No.	Stamp
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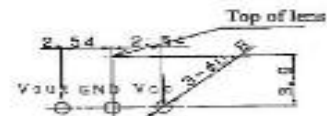
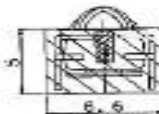
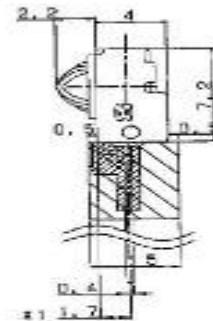
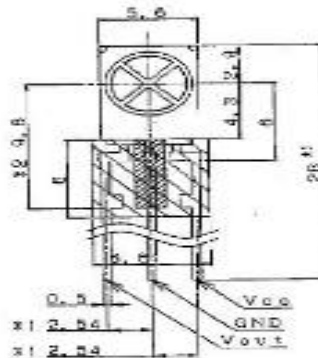
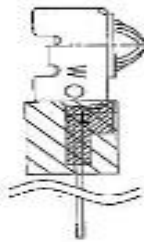
Lot No.	Production place
1313	Philippines
1313	Indonesia





The " " mark inside  shows production place. (\*3)

- Carved seal

128. ————— Sharp mark



Example of mounting drawing  
from solder side (Reference:)

1. \*1: Indicates root dimensions of connector
2. Unspecified tolerance:  $\pm 0.3$
3. Case thickness: 0.3TYP.
4. Case material: Fe
5. Case finish: Solder plating (Sn, Pb)
6. Lead material: Fe (Ag plating)
7. Lead finish: Solder dip (Sn, Ag, Cu)
8. Mold resin: Epoxy resin
9. Product mass: Approx. 0.7g
10. \*2: Exclude suggested solder
11. \*3: The "d" mark shows lot number indicate production place.  
(Production country is referred to the production place list.)
12.  The portion indicates soldering compression area between case and leads.  
However, it never short with other forms.
13.  portion may have some solder balls by GND soldering.  
Solder adhesion should be acceptable.

Scale	Name	GP1UW70Q5 series Outline Dimensions
Unit	Drawing No.	RUD3120
1=1/4 mm		

# Baud Rate Calculations

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## Serial Baud Rates, Bit Timing and Error Tolerance

### Introduction

Asynchronous serial transmission is a mechanism to pass data from one device to another. It is termed asynchronous because the transmission timing conforms to a predefined timing specification as opposed to a synchronous mechanism where an additional clocking signal will indicate when a new data bit is being transmitted.

Byte data is transmitted as a series of eight bits with a preceding start bit to indicate when transmission is beginning and with a stop bit which indicates when all bits have been sent and to allow the next start bit to be detected; there needs to be a transition in the signal line to detect the start bit and the stop bit guarantees this. A minimum of 10 bits will therefore be transmitted to send an 8-bit data value.

Asynchronous serial is transmitted at a baud rate and, for a digital signal, this equates to the maximum number of bits that can be sent per second. The time each bit is present for (the bit time) is the reciprocal of the baud rate -

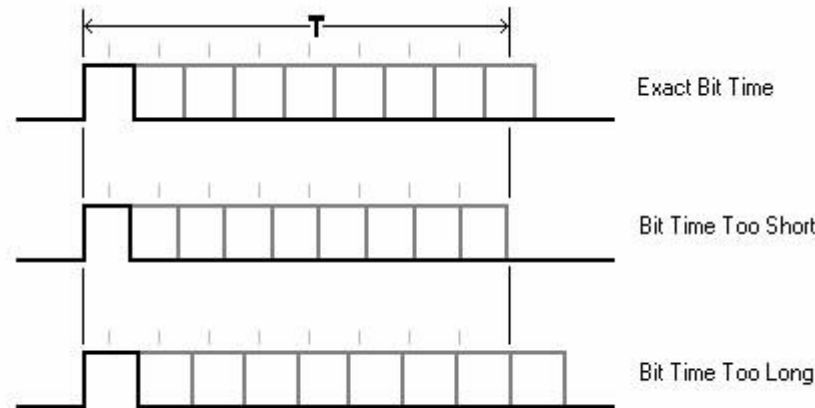
$$\text{baud rate} = 1 / \text{bit time}$$

$$\text{bit time} = 1 / \text{baud rate}$$

### Asynchronous Serial Timing

A transmitting device should send its data at a specific baud rate with the correct bit time but that the bit timing actually used may sometimes be too short or too long.

The receiving device will expect the bit timing to be correct for the baud rate specified and will use that bit timing to determine the data received. What data is received will depend on the bit timing actually used by the transmitting device.



The top waveform shows 8-bit serial being received which has the correct bit time for a specific baud rate. The 8-bit data is preceded by a start bit which has the same bit time as each subsequent data bit.

To determine the 8-bit value sent the data stream is sampled in the middle of each data bit. The levels at those points will determine the data value. Note that the 8-bit data value is sent lsb first and msb last.

The internal bit timing synchronises to the leading edge of the start bit then one and a half bit times later a sample is taken in the middle of the first data bit. After a further bit time delay a sample is taken in the middle of the second data bit and so on until a sample has been taken in the middle of the eighth data bit.

The time taken from synchronising to the leading edge of the start bit to sampling in the middle of the eighth data bit ( $T$ ) is equal to 8.5 times the bit time ( $T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$ ) -

$$T = 8.5 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

The middle waveform shows a transmission when the bit time is too short ( $T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}}$ ).

When it comes to sampling the middle of the eighth data bit that bit has just passed; the sampling renders an inaccurate sample, a corrupt data byte.

Sampling fails when -

$$9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} < T$$

The bottom waveform shows a transmission when the bit time is too long ( $T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}}$ ).

When it comes to sampling the middle of the eighth data bit that bit has not yet started; the sampling renders an inaccurate sample, a corrupt data byte.

Sampling fails when -

$$8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}} > T$$

## When the bit time is too short

Sampling fails when -

$$9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} < T$$

$$9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} < 8.5 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

$$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} < 8.5/9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

Correspondingly, sampling succeeds when -

$$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} \geq 8.5/9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

## When the bit time is too long

Sampling fails when -

$$8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}} > T$$

$$8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}} > 8.5 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

$$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}} > 8.5/8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

Correspondingly, sampling succeeds when -

$$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}} \leq 8.5/8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

## Putting it all together

We have seen that sampling succeeds when -

$$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} \geq 8.5/9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

and

$$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}} \leq 8.5/8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$$

We can therefore say a valid bit time (Tbit) can range from  $T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}}$  to  $T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}}$  and when sampled using a  $T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$  timing the data will be sampled correctly and return the correct data value result -

$$T_{\text{bit}} = T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}} \text{ to } T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}}$$

$$T_{\text{bit}} = (8.5/9 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}) \text{ to } (8.5/8 \times T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}})$$

Expressed in terms of percentage -

$$T_{\text{bit}} = (94.44\% \text{ of } T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}) \text{ to } (106.25\% \text{ of } T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}})$$

$$T_{\text{bit}} = T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}} -5.56\% / +6.25\%$$

When we apply this to some common baud rates we can see the valid range of bit timings (in approximate microseconds) allowed for thatc baud rate -

Baud Rate	$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{exact}}}$	$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{short}}}$	$T_{\text{bit}_{\text{long}}}$
600	1667	1574	1771
1200	833	787	885
2400	417	394	443
4800	208	196	221

9600	104	98	110
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## Baud rate tolerance

When shortest and longest allowed bit times are converted to baud rates we can see the range of valid baud rates which can be sampled correctly using the nominal baud rate sampling time -

Baud Rate	Minimum	Maximum
600	565	635
1200	1130	1271
2400	2257	2538
4800	4525	5102
9600	9091	10204

This equates to a tolerance in baud rate errors of approximately +/- 6%

Note, that because baud rate and bit times are reciprocals of each other, the acceptable error percentages in bit time are not the same as the acceptable error percentages for baud rate.



## Reflection

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After finally completing the project, I have learned a considerable amount about the PIC16F886/7 Microcontroller, baud rates, IR protocols and how data streams are sent, and timers used within the actual microcontroller. The skills and concepts I have learned have laid a foundation for me to expand my knowledge of the vast family of microcontrollers and everything relating to their utilities. I enjoyed the coding process the most as it proved to be the most challenging aspect of the entire project as well as the most rewarding.