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Lab 4 Report: Microcontroller Sorting

1 Introduction

In this lab, I used the PIC32 on the μ Mudd32 to play a song that was loaded onto the PIC's flash memory. Two song segments were programmed into the PIC: Fur Elise and Reluctant Hero (from the anime, Attack on Titan). The PIC generated a square wave and drove the speaker through a LM380 audio amplifier.

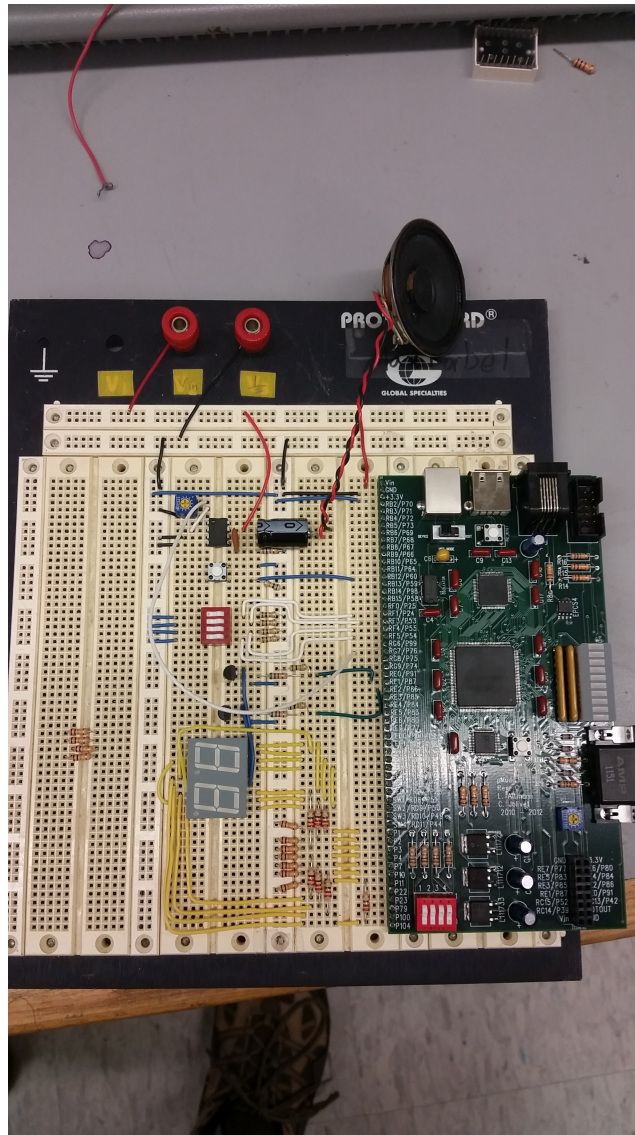


Figure 1: Complete development board with audio buffer / amplifier at the top of the breadboard.

2 Design and Testing Methodology

2.1 Algorithm

The music playing algorithm follows the following procedure outline:

1. Setup timer 1
2. Setup timer 2
3. Load first period and duration from flash memory. Parse
4. While the note duration has not been met, play the note
5. Repeat from step 3 with new note.

Here is some sudo-code that describes the method in slightly more detail.

```
1  main(){
2      // setup timers
3      TICON = 11xx_xxxx_xx11_xxx0;    // x = don't care
4      T2CON = 11xx_xxxx_x010_xxx0x;
5
6      // setup outputs
7      TRISG = 1111_1111_0111_1111;    // make port 7 an output
8
9      // start playing the song
10     int i = 0;
11     while(true){
12         int word = _notes[i];
13
14         // check for end of song
15         if (word == 0){
16             break;
17         }
18
19         int halfPeriod = word[15:8];
20         int duration = word[7:0];
21
22         // play for duration
23         TMR1 = 0
24         TMR2 = 0
25         while(TMR1 < duration){
26             //toggle according to the period
27             if (TMR2 >= halfPeriod){
28                 //toggle output
29                 PORTG[7] = ~PORTG[7];
30                 TMR2 = 0;
31             }
32         }
33         //move to next note
34         i++;
35     }
36 }
```

2.2 Timing

The clock on the μ Mudd32 operates at 40Hz. The prescalar for the PIC's peripheral clock was set to 1:8. This means that the peripheral clock will run at $\frac{40MHz}{8} = 5MHz$.

Timer 1's prescalar is set to 1:256. This makes this timer run at $\frac{5MHz}{256} = 19.5kHz$ or a period of $5.12\mu s$. This timer is used to keep track of the duration of each note. Let each count of timer 1 be τ_0 . The duration, τ_0 , of each type of note is given in Figure 2.

Timer 2's prescalar is set to 1:4. This allows the timer to run at $\frac{5MHz}{4} = 1.25MHz$ or a period of $0.8\mu s$. Timer 2 is used to keep track of the period of each note. Let each count of timer 1 be τ_1 . The period, in units of τ_1 , are given in Figure 2. Let's use A4 to check the timing. This has a frequency of 440Hz and period of $0x58C\tau_1$. Converting the period to seconds yields $1420(0.8\mu s) = 1.136ms$. This corresponds to a frequency of 880Hz. Note that this is double the real frequency of the note. Also note that to generate a square wave with frequency F , the pin needs to be toggled at a frequency of $2F$. Thus, Figure 2 lists the toggling period of the pin.

2.3 Using a Speaker

The output pins of the PIC32 can only output 25mA (from PIC32 datasheet). However, the speaker draws much more. A 2W speaker operating at 5V would need to draw $\frac{2W}{5V} = 400mA$. This would surely burn out an I/O pin on the PIC32. So, I used an audio amplifier to drive the speaker. The lab recommends using the LM386. From the LM386 datasheet, I found a recommended circuit (see Figure 3).

However, the lab was out of LM386 ICs so I used an LM380 amplifier. The LM380 is similar in function to the LM386 but has different pin layouts. Using the pinout for the LM380 from Figure 4, I replicated the circuit presented in Figure 3.

| Note | Frequency (Hz) | Period (in units of τ_1) |
|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| A3 | 220 | 0xB18 |
| A sharp / B flat | 233.1 | 0xA79 |
| B3 | 246.9 | 0x9E2 |
| C3 (middle C) | 261.6 | 0x954 |
| C sharp / D flat | 277.2 | 0x8CE |
| D3 | 293.7 | 0x850 |
| D sharp / E flat | 311.1 | 0x7D8 |
| E3 | 329.6 | 0x768 |
| F3 | 349.2 | 0x6FD |
| F sharp / G flat | 370.0 | 0x699 |
| G3 | 392.0 | 0x63A |
| G sharp / A flat | 415.3 | 0x5E0 |
| A4 | 440 | 0x58C |
| A sharp / B flat | 466.2 | 0x53C |
| B4 | 493.9 | 0x4F1 |
| C4 | 523.3 | 0x4AA |
| C sharp / D flat | 554.4 | 0x467 |
| D4 | 587.3 | 0x428 |
| D sharp / E flat | 622.2 | 0x3EC |
| E4 | 659.2 | 0x3B4 |
| F4 | 698.4 | 0x37E |
| F sharp / G flat | 740.9 | 0x34C |
| G4 | 784.0 | 0x31D |
| G sharp / A flat | 830.6 | 0x2F0 |
| A5 | 880 | 0x2C6 |

The duration depends on an arbitrary choice of tempo (speed at which the piece is played). If a whole note is chosen to be $\frac{1}{2}$ second long, other notes follow accordingly:

| Duration | Seconds | Units of τ_0 |
|-----------|---------|-------------------|
| Sixteenth | 0.03125 | 0x0262 |
| Eighth | 0.0625 | 0x04C4 |
| Quarter | 0.125 | 0x0989 |
| Half | 0.25 | 0x1312 |
| Whole | 0.5 | 0x2625 |

Figure 2: Mapping from note frequency and duration to periods of timers 1 and 2.

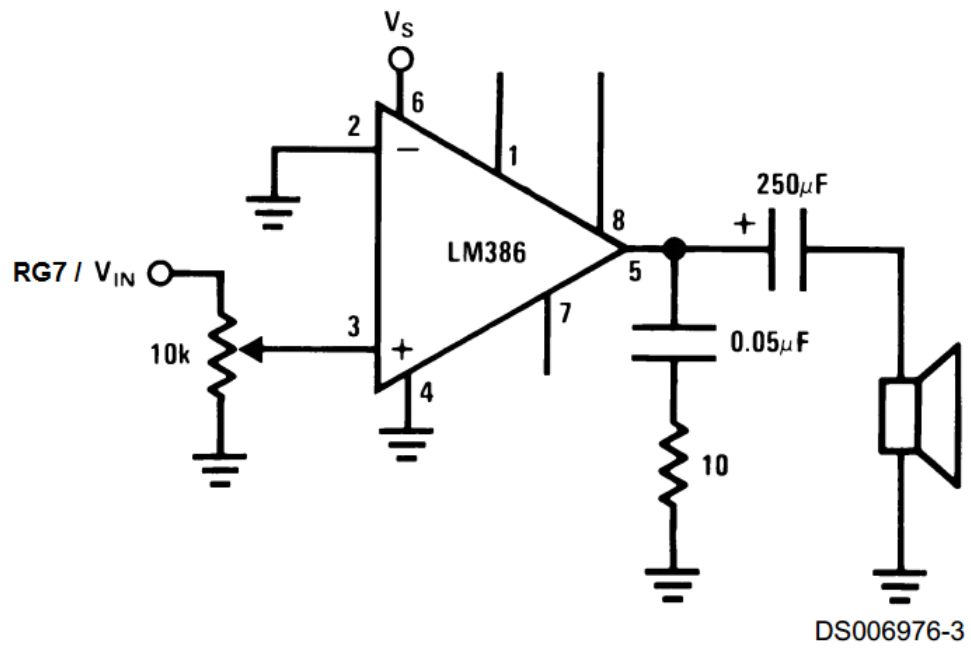


Figure 3: Basic amplifier configuration.

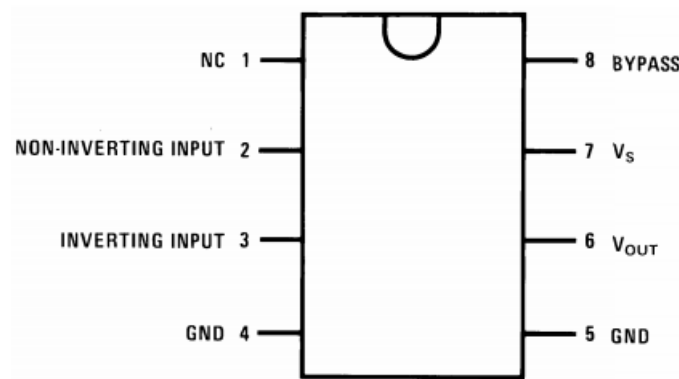


Figure 4: Basic amplifier configuration.

3 Technical Documentation

3.1 MIPS Code - Playing a Song from Flash Memory

```
1  /* This code plays music!
2
3  Author: Sherman Lam
4  Email: slam@g.hmc.edu
5  Date: 10-9-2014
6  */
7
8
9  # REGISTER USE
10 # t0 = register address
11 # t1 = register value
12 # t2 = masking operations
13 # t3 = note period
14 # t4 = duration
15 # t5 = address of note
16 # t6 = algebra intermediate values
17 # s0 = PORTB address
18 # s1 = PORTB output
19
20
21
22 # load a header file for pin / register definitions
23 #include <P32xxxx.h>
24
25 # Define constants
26 #define PBDIV 0x3          # prescaler for peripheral clock. 0x3 = 1:8
27
28 # Define main function
29 .global main
30
31 # Compiler instructions
32 .text # store the code in the main program section of RAM
33 .set noreorder # do not let the compiler reorganize your code
34
35 # Main program
36 .ent main # Start function block
37 main:
38     nop
39
40     # setup peripheral clock. Default is 1:8 but let's set it anyways
41     # OSCCON:
42     #   bit 20-19 = 11 -> 1:8 prescaler
43     #la      t0, OSCCON      # OSCCON = oscillator control register
44     #lw      t1, 0(t0)      # get the value of OSCCON
45     #li      t2, 0xFFE7FFFF # mask for clearing PBDIV, which is bits 20-19
46     #and     t1, t1, t2      # use the mask to set PBDIV to 00
47     #li      t2, 0x3        # load mask for setting PBDIV
48     #sll     t2, t2, 19      # shift the mask to the right location
49     #or      t1, t1, t2      # set desired PBDIV
50     #sw      t1, 0(t0)      # load new value into OSCCON
51     # THIS DOESN'T WORK. GETS OVERRIDDEN BY CONFIG BITS
52
53     # setup timer 1 (for 1 unit of signal duration = 51.2us)
54     # T1CON:
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55 # bit 15 = 1      -> on
56 # bit 14 = 1      -> freeze on debug exception
57 # bit 5-4 = 11    -> 1:256 prescaler
58 # bit 1 = 0       -> use peripheral clock
59 la    t0, T1CON    # load address of T1CON
60 lw    t1, 0(t0)    # get the value of T1CON
61 andi  t1, t1, 0xFFFF # use a mask to set the 0 bit
62 ori   t1, t1, 0xC030 # use a mask to set the 1 bits
63 sw    t1, 0(t0)    # load new value to T1CON
64
65 # setup timer 2 (for half signal period = 0.8us)
66 # T2CON:
67 # bit 15 = 1      -> on
68 # bit 14 = 1      -> freeze on debug exception
69 # bit 6-4 = 010    -> 1:256 prescaler
70 # bit 1 = 0       -> use peripheral clock
71 la    t0, T2CON    # load address of T2CON
72 lw    t1, 0(t0)    # get the value of T2CON
73 andi  t1, t1, 0xFFAD # use a mask to set the 0 bits
74 ori   t1, t1, 0xC020 # use a mask to set the 1 bits
75 sw    t1, 0(t0)    # load new value to T2CON
76
77 # init some variables
78 la    t5, _notes    # starting address of _notes
79
80 # init output
81 la    t0, TRISG      # load address of TRISG
82 lw    t1, 0(t0)      # get value of TRISB
83 andi  t1, t1, 0xFF00 # set RG7 as output
84 sw    t1, 0(t0)      # store to TRISB
85 la    s0, PORTG      # load address of PORTB
86 sw    zero, 0(s0)    # start at 0
87
88 # start main loop for playing song
89 play:
90     nop
91     # read the note and duration. If there is no note, end
92     lw    t6, 0(t5)    # load notes and duration into algebra register
93     beq    t6, zero, end # branch if there are no more notes
94     li    t2, 0xFFFF0000 # mask for duration
95     and    t4, t6, t2    # mask off to get duration
96     srl    t4, t4, 16    # shift to lower 16bits to get duration
97     andi   t3, t6, 0xFFFF # mask off the note
98     li    t6, 0x2        # load 2 into t6
99     mul    t4, t4, t6    # multiply duration by 2
100
101 # reset timer 1
102 la    t0, TMR1        # get address of timer 1
103 sw    zero, 0(t0)     # reset timer to 0
104
105 # reset timer 2
106 la    t0, TMR2        # get address of timer 2
107 sw    zero, 0(t0)     # reset timer to 0
108
109 # poll the timer until the duration has been met
110 dur:
111     la    t0, TMR1    # get address of timer 1
112     lw    t1, 0(t0)    # poll timer 1
113     beq    t1, t4, next # check if timer 1 has reached duration

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114         nop
115
116     # while the duration is being held, keep playing the notes
117     note:
118         la      t0, TMR2          # get address of timer 2
119         lw      t1, 0(t0)         # poll timer 2
120         slt     t6, t1, t3        # check if time is less than the period
121         bne     t6, zero, dur     # if not time to toggle speaker, check duration
122         nop
123         # toggle!
124         li      t6, 0xFFFF       # load -1 into t6
125         xor     s1, s1, t6        # xor with -1. This inverts all the bits
126         andi    s1, s1, 0x0080   # use mask to only get RG7
127         la      s0, PORTG        # load address of PORTG
128         sw      s1, 0(s0)        # write the value to PORTG.
129         la      t0, TMR2        # get address of timer 2
130         sw      zero, 0(t0)      # reset timer 2
131         j       dur             # check duration
132         nop
133
134     # figure out next offset
135     next:
136         la      t0, TMR1         # get address of timer 1
137         sw      zero, 0(t0)      # reset timer 1
138         addi    t5, t5, 4        # get next note's address
139         j       play            # play the next note
140         nop
141
142     end:
143         nop
144         jr      ra              # jump to return address.
145
146
147 # end the function
148 .end main

```

3.1.1 Loading Fur Elise to Flash

```

1 # Song notes
2     .section .rodata # Store this information in FLASH instead of RAM
3     _notes:
4         .HWORD 0x3b4, 0x989 # Data
5         .HWORD 0x3ec, 0x989
6         .HWORD 0x3b4, 0x989
7         .HWORD 0x3ec, 0x989
8         .HWORD 0x3b4, 0x989
9         .HWORD 0x4f1, 0x989
10        .HWORD 0x428, 0x989
11        .HWORD 0x4aa, 0x989
12        .HWORD 0x58c, 0x1312
13        .HWORD 0x000, 0x989
14        .HWORD 0x954, 0x989
15        .HWORD 0x768, 0x989
16        .HWORD 0x58c, 0x989
17        .HWORD 0x4f1, 0x1312
18        .HWORD 0x000, 0x989
19        .HWORD 0x768, 0x989
20        .HWORD 0x5e0, 0x989
21        .HWORD 0x4f1, 0x989

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22      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x1312
23      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
24      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
25      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
26      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
27      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
28      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
29      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
30      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989
31      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989
32      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
33      .HWORD 0x58c , 0x1312
34      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
35      .HWORD 0x954 , 0x989
36      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
37      .HWORD 0x58c , 0x989
38      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x1312
39      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
40      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
41      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
42      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989
43      .HWORD 0x58c , 0x1312
44      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
45      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989
46      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
47      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989
48      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x1c9c
49      .HWORD 0x63a , 0x989
50      .HWORD 0x37e , 0x989
51      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
52      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1c9c
53      .HWORD 0x6fd , 0x989
54      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
55      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989
56      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x1c9c
57      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
58      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989
59      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
60      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x1312
61      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
62      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
63      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
64      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
65      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
66      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
67      .HWORD 0x1da , 0x989
68      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
69      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
70      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
71      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
72      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
73      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
74      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
75      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
76      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
77      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
78      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
79      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
80      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989

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81      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989
82      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
83      .HWORD 0x58c , 0x1312
84      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
85      .HWORD 0x954 , 0x989
86      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
87      .HWORD 0x58c , 0x989
88      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x1312
89      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
90      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
91      .HWORD 0x5e0 , 0x989
92      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989
93      .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x1312
94      .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
95      .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
96      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
97      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
98      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
99      .HWORD 0x3ec , 0x989
100     .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989
101     .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989
102     .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989
103     .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
104     .HWORD 0x58c , 0x1312
105     .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
106     .HWORD 0x954 , 0x989
107     .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
108     .HWORD 0x58c , 0x989
109     .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x1312
110     .HWORD 0x000 , 0x989
111     .HWORD 0x768 , 0x989
112     .HWORD 0x4aa , 0x989
113     .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989
114     .HWORD 0x58c , 0x2625
115     .HWORD 0x000 , 0x000

```

3.1.2 Loading Reluctant Heros (from Attack on Titan anime) to Flash Memory

```

1  # Song notes
2      .section .rodata # Store this information in FLASH instead of RAM
3  _notes:
4      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
5      .HWORD 0x467 , 0x989      # C4#
6      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
7      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989      # E4
8
9      .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
10     .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989      # B4
11     .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
12     .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989      # B4
13     .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
14     .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989      # E4
15
16     .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
17     .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989      # B4
18     .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
19     .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
20     .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
21     .HWORD 0x2c6 , 0x1312      # A5

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22
23      .HWORD 0x31d , 0x1312      # G4
24      .HWORD 0x31d , 0x1312      # G4
25      .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
26      .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
27
28      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x1312      # E4
29      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
30      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989       # B4
31      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989       # D4
32      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989       # E4
33
34      .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
35      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989       # B4
36      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
37      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989       # B4
38      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
39      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x989       # E4
40
41      .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
42      .HWORD 0x4f1 , 0x989       # B4
43      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
44      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
45      .HWORD 0x467 , 0x989       # C4#
46      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
47
48      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x1312      # E4
49      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
50      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x989      # D4
51      .HWORD 0x467 , 0x989       # C4#
52      .HWORD 0x428 , 0x1312      # D4
53
54      .HWORD 0x34c , 0x1312      # F4#
55      .HWORD 0x3b4 , 0x1312      # E4
56
57
58      .HWORD 0x0 , 0x0           # stop

```

3.2 Timer 1 and Timer 2 Registers

Register 14-1: T1CON: Type A Timer Control Register

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-----|
| r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| bit 31 | | | | bit 24 | | | |
| r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| bit 23 | | | | bit 16 | | | |
| R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 |
| ON ⁽¹⁾ | FRZ ⁽²⁾ | SIDL | TWDIS | TWIP | — | — | — |
| bit 15 | | | | bit 8 | | | |
| R/W-0 | r-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | r-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | r-0 |
| TGATE | — | TCKPS<1:0> | | — | TSYNC | TCS | — |
| bit 7 | | | | bit 0 | | | |

Legend:
R = Readable bit
U = Unimplemented bit
W = Writable bit
-n = Bit Value at POR: ('0', '1', x = Unknown)
P = Programmable bit
r = Reserved bit

Figure 5: Control Register for T1CON.

Register 14-2: TxCON: Type B Timer Control Register

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|-------|----------------------|-----|------------------|-----|
| r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| bit 31 | | | | bit 24 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 |
| — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| bit 23 | | | | bit 16 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 | r-0 |
| ON ⁽¹⁾ | FRZ ⁽²⁾ | SIDL ⁽⁴⁾ | — | — | — | — | — |
| bit 15 | | | | bit 8 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | R/W-0 | r-0 | R/W-0 | r-0 |
| TGATE | TCKPS<2:0> | | | T32 ⁽³⁾ | — | TCS | — |
| bit 7 | | | | bit 0 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Legend: | | | | | | | |
| R = Readable bit | | W = Writable bit | | P = Programmable bit | | r = Reserved bit | |
| U = Unimplemented bit | | -n = Bit Value at POR: ('0', '1', x = Unknown) | | | | | |

Figure 6: Control Register for T2CON.

4 Results and Discussion

Music playing works! Since the tempo was arbitrary chosen when 2 was created, Fur Elise was too fast. So, I doubled the periods to slow down the song to an appropriate pace.

I also converted the first several measures of "Reluctant Hero" into units of τ_0 and τ_1 . This also plays as expected.

5 Conclusion

5.1 Time Spent

Programming, Simulating 6 hrs

Writing Report 3hrs

Total Time Spent 9hrs

5.2 Suggestions for lab

No suggestions for the lab.