

ECE 372A Fall 2015 - Lecture 3

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Outline

- 1 Pin Considerations
 - Input noise
 - "Bouncing" in Circuits
 - Floating pins
- 2 Open-Drain Collector Configuration
- 3 Change Notifications



I/O Ports

Reference Material

Section 12 in the PIC32MX Family Reference Manual

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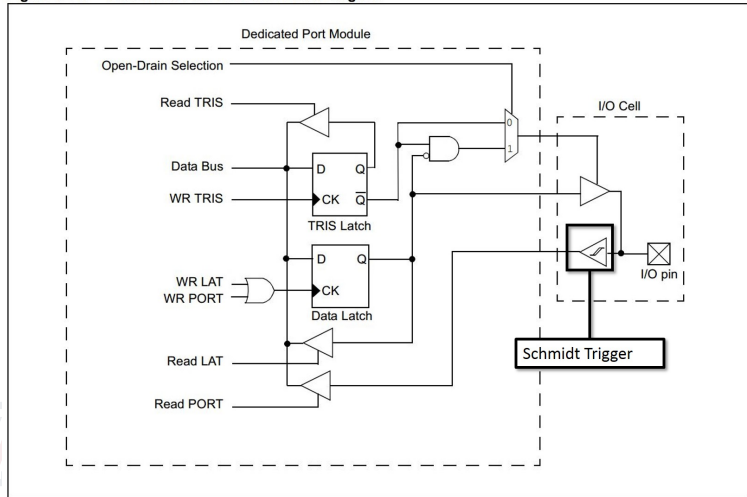
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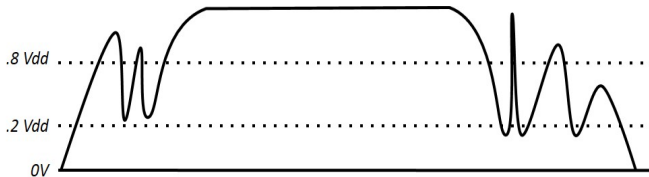


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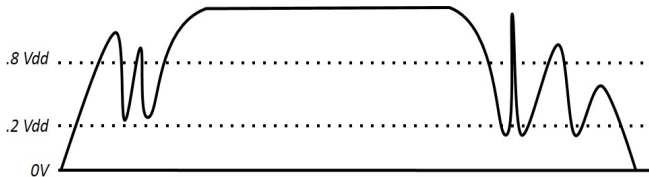


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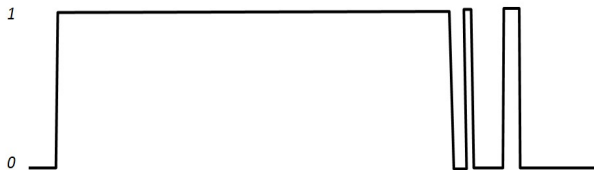


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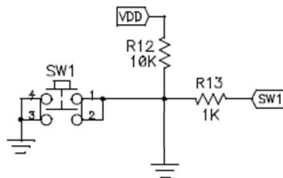
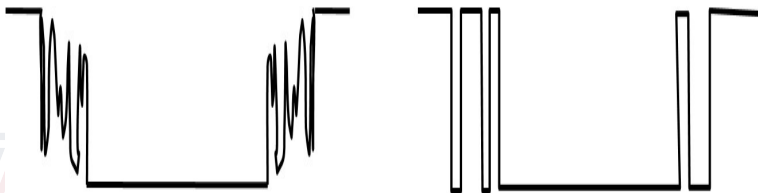


Figure: Input pin configuration



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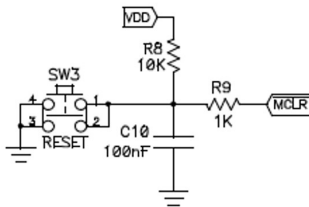


Figure: Hardware Debouncing by Capacitor



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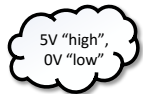
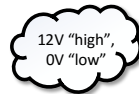
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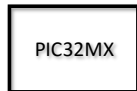
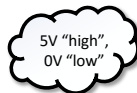
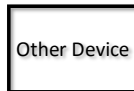
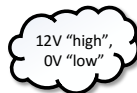
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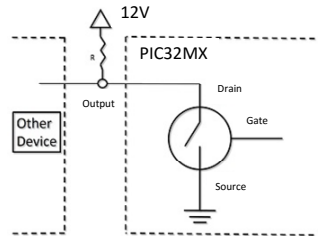
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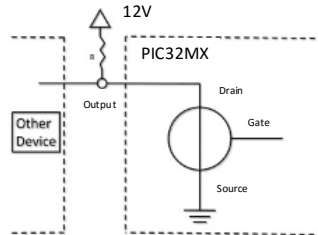
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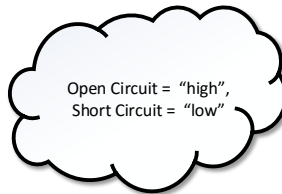
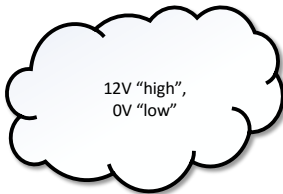
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- When the switch is closed, the current flows through the microcontroller to ground. The output is then logic low.
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- Create a circuit that detects this change and let the program handle it when it can.

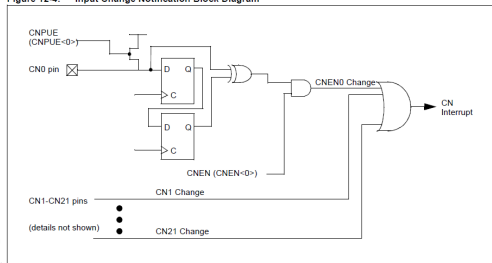


Change Notification Implementation

CN interrupt if:

- CN is enabled
- ANY change takes place in the logic value of the input pin.

Figure 12-4: Input Change Notification Block Diagram

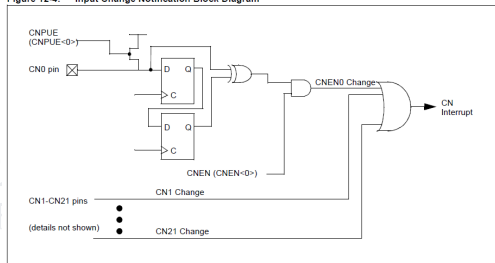


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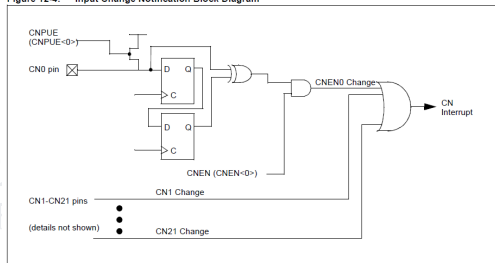


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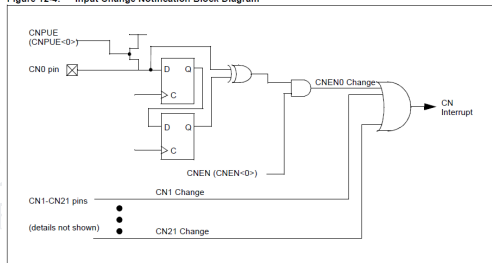


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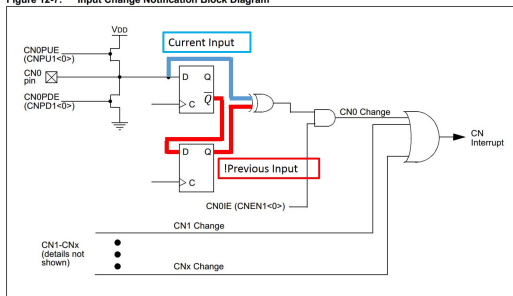


Change Notification Implementation

The Circuit

- Exclusive OR gate is active only when the inputs are different

Figure 12-7: Input Change Notification Block Diagram



Change Notification Implementation

Interfacing with External LEDs

- 1 Using CN vs non-CN
- 2 Floating Pin Voltage

