

Embedded Systems

Programming and Architectures



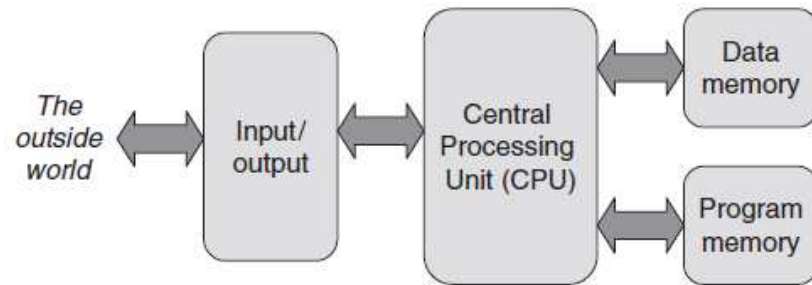
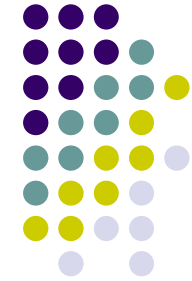
Lecture No 7 : PIC 16F series Organization and programming

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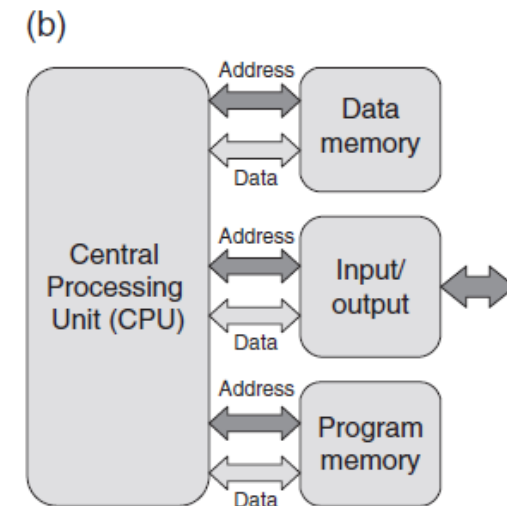
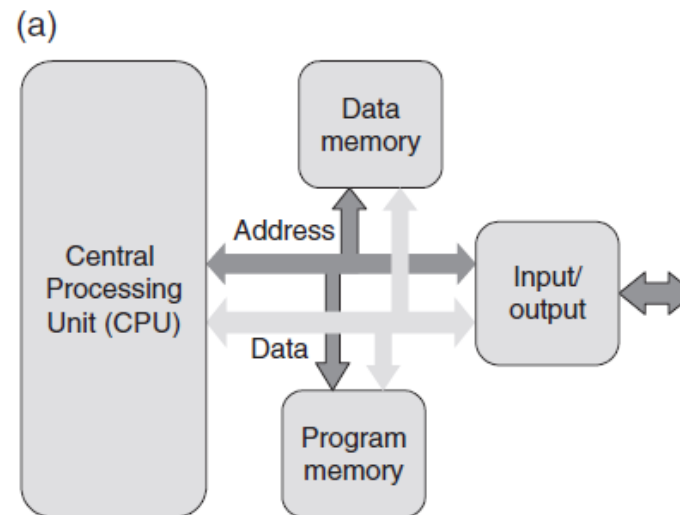
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Essentials of a computer system and organization of memory access

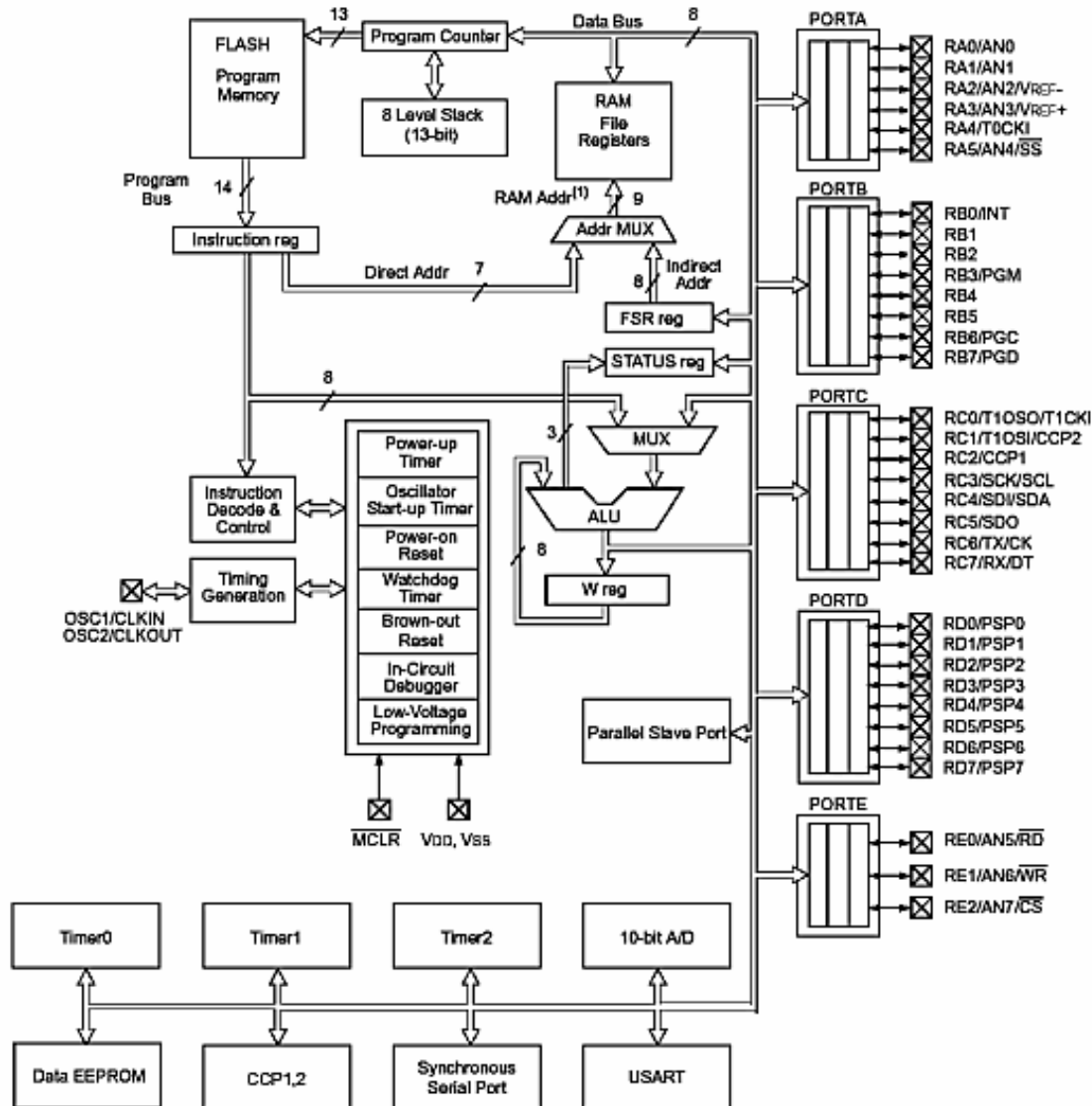


- a. Von-Neumann
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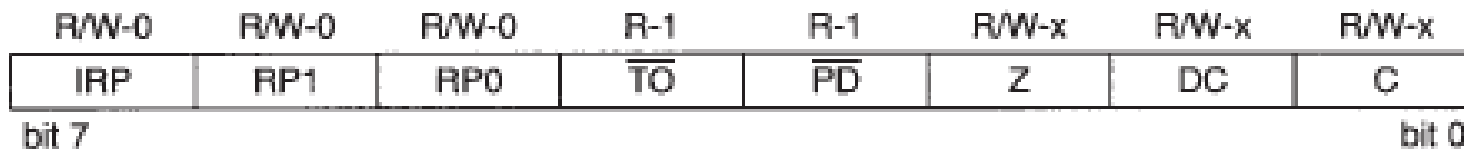
Medium PIC MCUs: 16F series



- ✓ Program memory (flash EEPROM) 2K up to 8K (13-bits Pr. Mem. addr bus)
- ✓ Instruction word: 14 bits
- ✓ Static RAM data memory (File Registers 8-bit)=>
- ✓ 8-bit data bus
- ✓ 7 bits for direct addressing (128 bytes)+2 bits from STATUS
- ✓ Peripheral circuits: I/O Ports, timers, Interrupts management and serial interfaces

The programming model of 16F PIC MCUs

The 16F877 STATUS Register



Important bits:

C: CARRY. It is set when addwf or subwf produce Carry

DC: Decimal Carry (useful in BCD arithmetic)

Z: Zero flag. It is set when arithmetic produces zero

RP0 and **RP1**: They form the 2 MS bits of the data memory address. They are the bank selection bits.



Instruction Set of the 16F series grouped by function

PIC 16F84 instruction set, grouped by function

	Data transfer	Arithmetic	Logical	Branch	Other
Byte-oriented	movf f,d	addwf f,d	andwf f,d	decfsz f,d	
	movwf f	subwf f,d	iorwf f,d	incfsz f,d	
		decf f,d	xorwf f,d		
		incf f,d	clrf f		
			clrw		
			comf f,d		
			r1f f,d		
			rrf f,d		
			swapf f,d		
Bit-oriented			bcf f,b	btfsc f,b	
			bsf f,b	btfss f,b	
Literal	movlw k	addlw k	andlw k	call k	
		sublw k	iorlw k	retlw k	
			xorlw k	goto k	
Control and other				return	clrwtd
				retfie	nop
					sleep

Data transfer commands

- **movwf Reg**

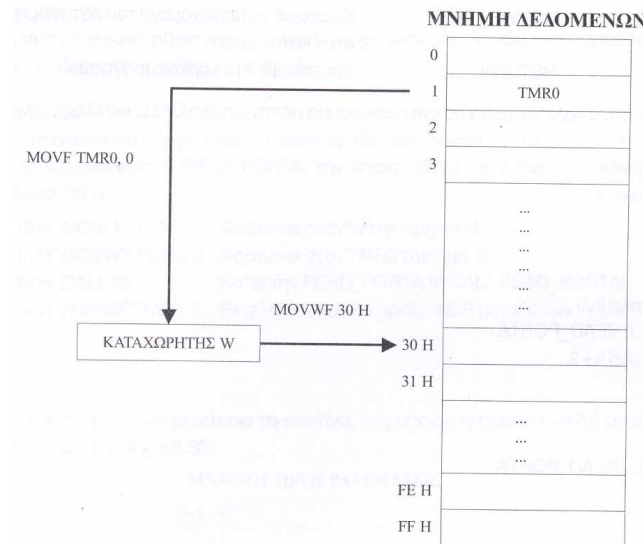
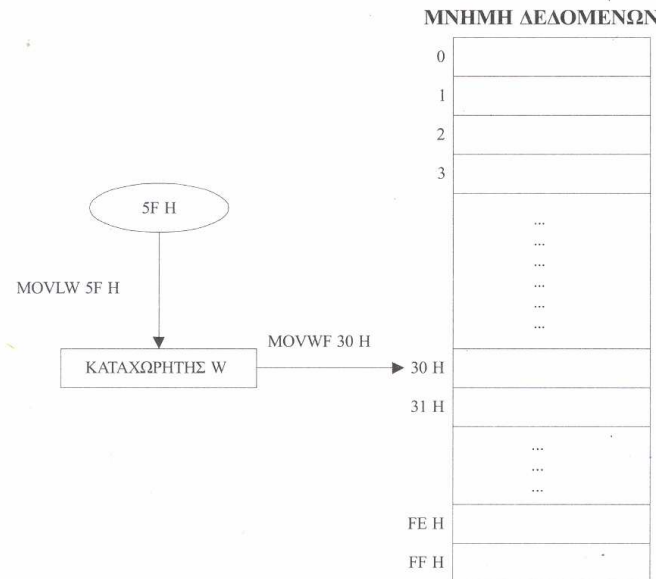
It copies the contents of Working Register **w** to Register **Reg**

- **movf Reg, w**

It copies the content of register **Reg** to the Working register **w**

- **movlw k**

It copies literal **k** to **w**. **k** here is a literal number. It does not represent a memory location, like **Reg** above.



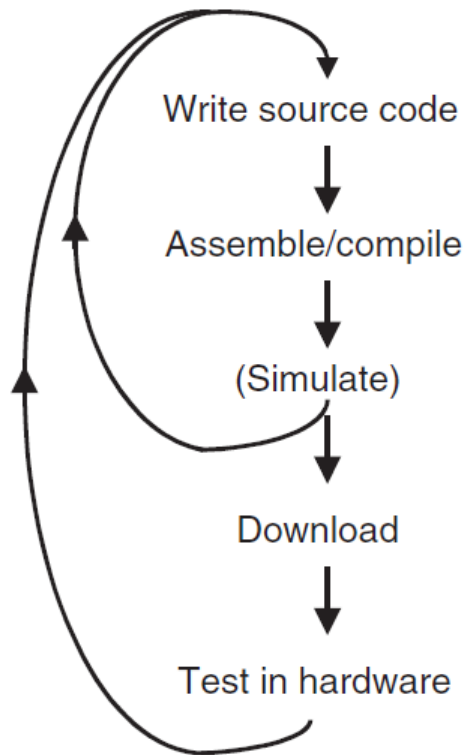
Single bit manipulation



- **bsf REG, b**
sets bit b of REG file register
i.e. **bsf 03, 5** ;sets b5 of STATUS register
- **bcf REG, b**
clears bit b of REG file register
i.e. **bcf 03, 5** ;clears b5 of STATUS register



Development cycle – development tools



Text Editor

Assembler

Linker

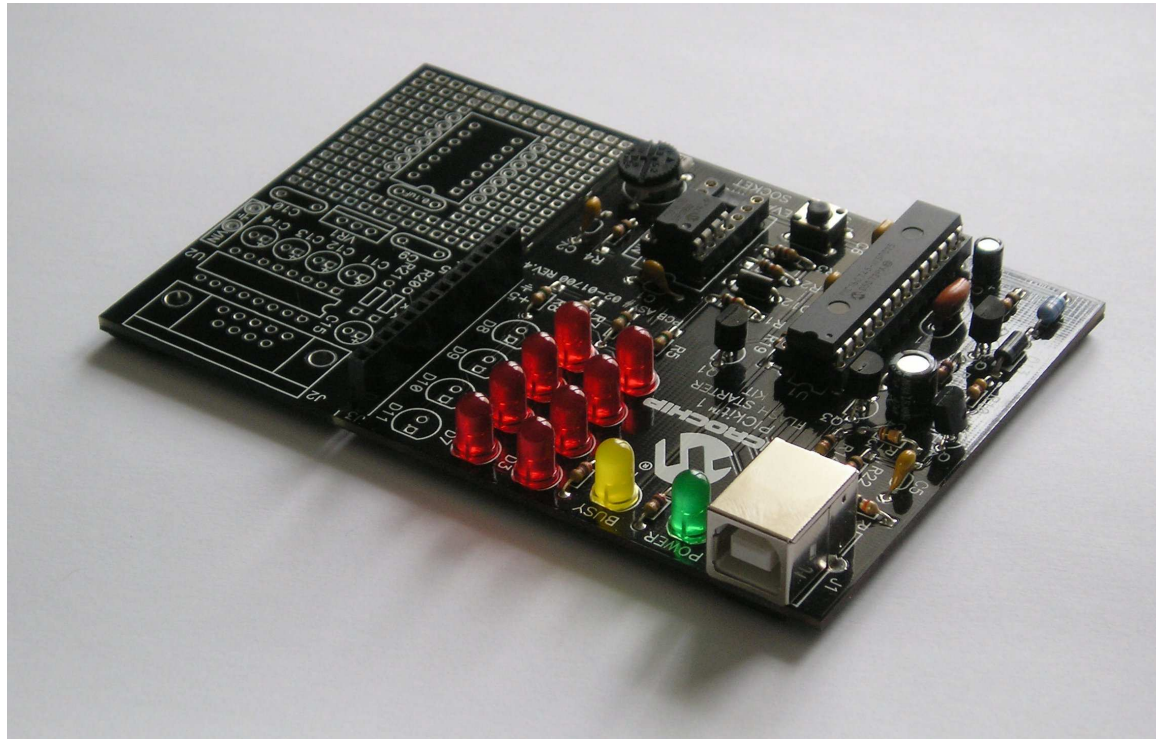
Simulator

Programmer

Debugger (in-circuit)

Emulator

Microcontroller development boards



One or more MCUs

Standard peripherals for I/O, like LEDs and push buttons

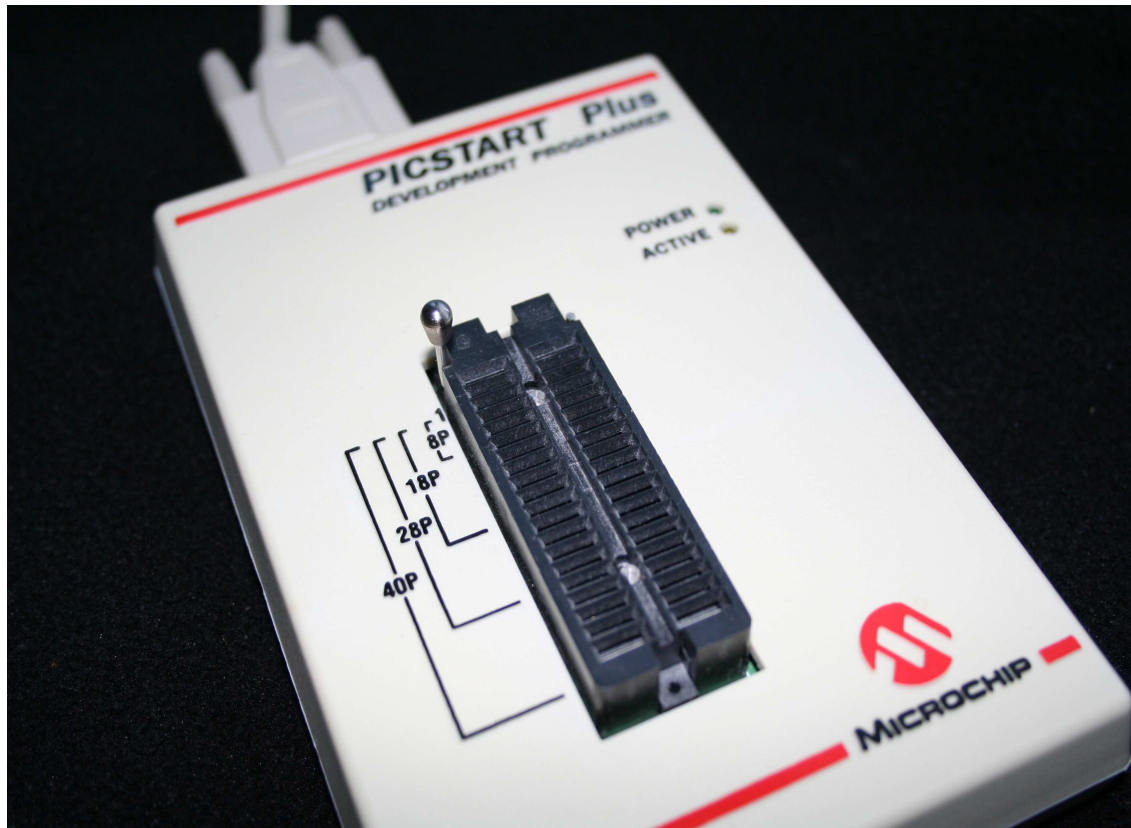
A/D converters

Serial port

USB connectivity

Programming ability

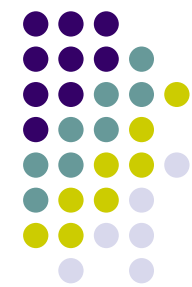
Programmiers



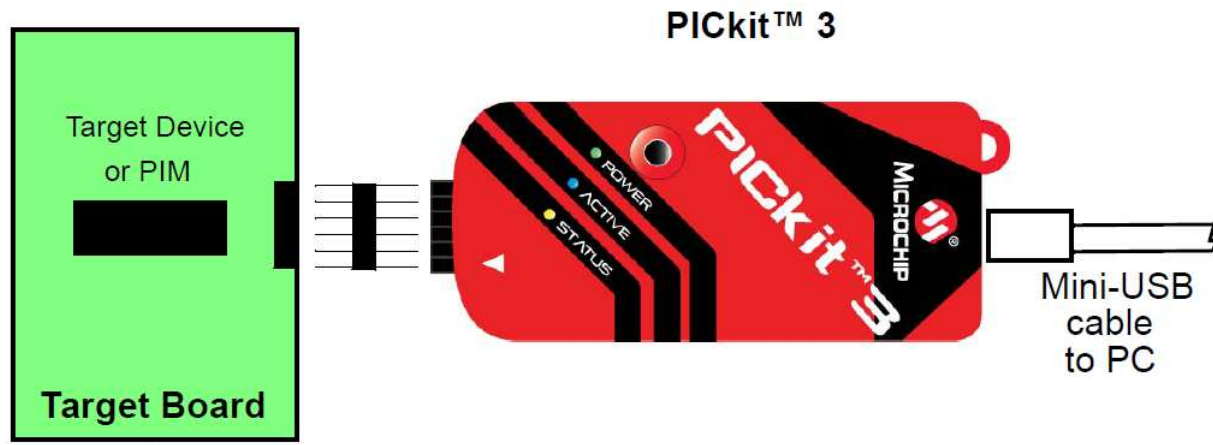
PICSTART Plus

Programmer by
Microchip

It programs DIP
MCUs before they
are placed on-
circuit

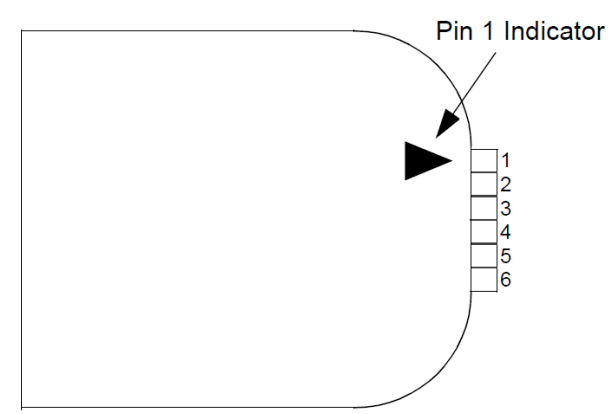


PICkit3 In-Circuit Programmer-debugger



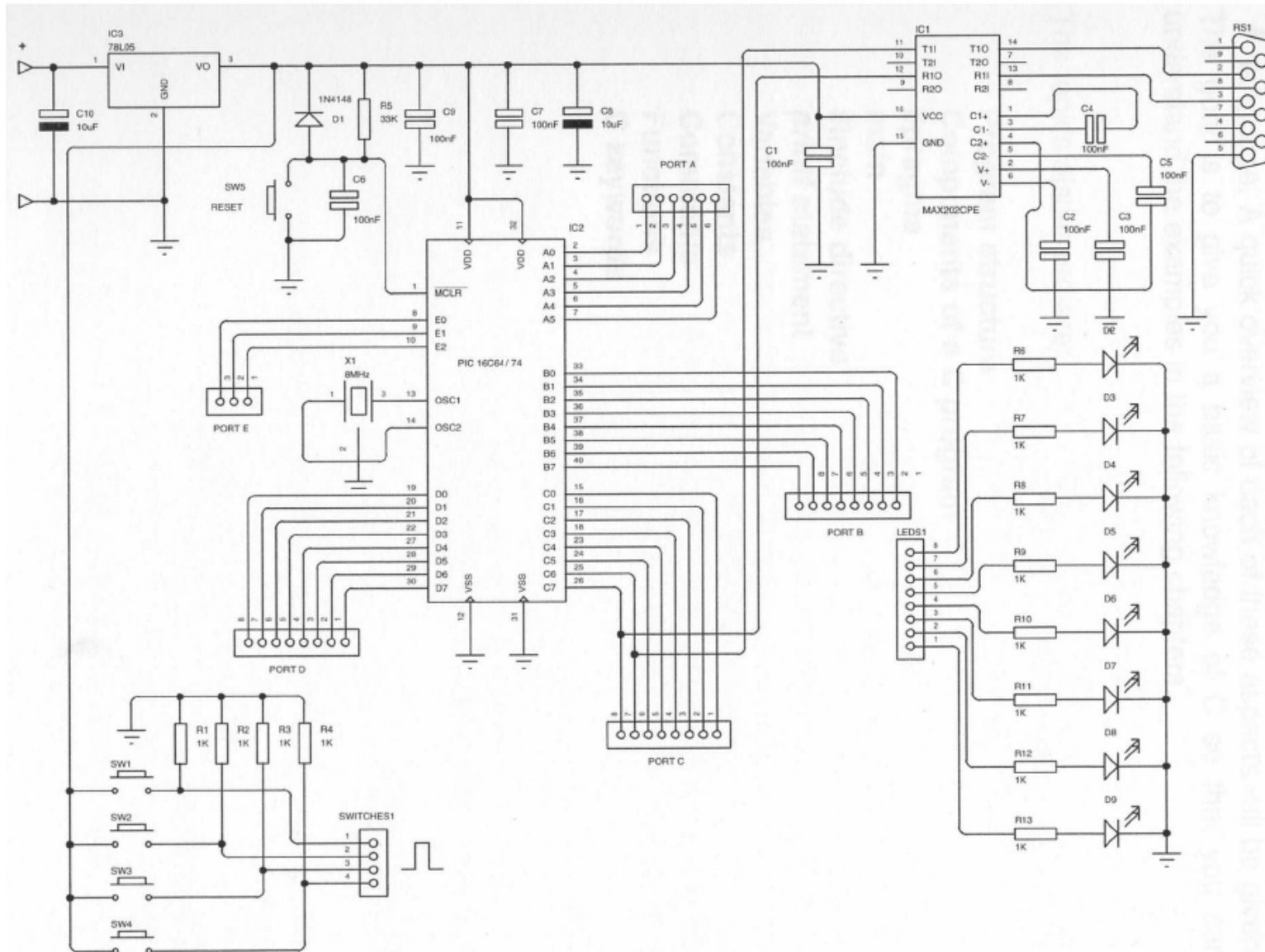
Power

Very cool tool!
Comparatively cheap (~50€)

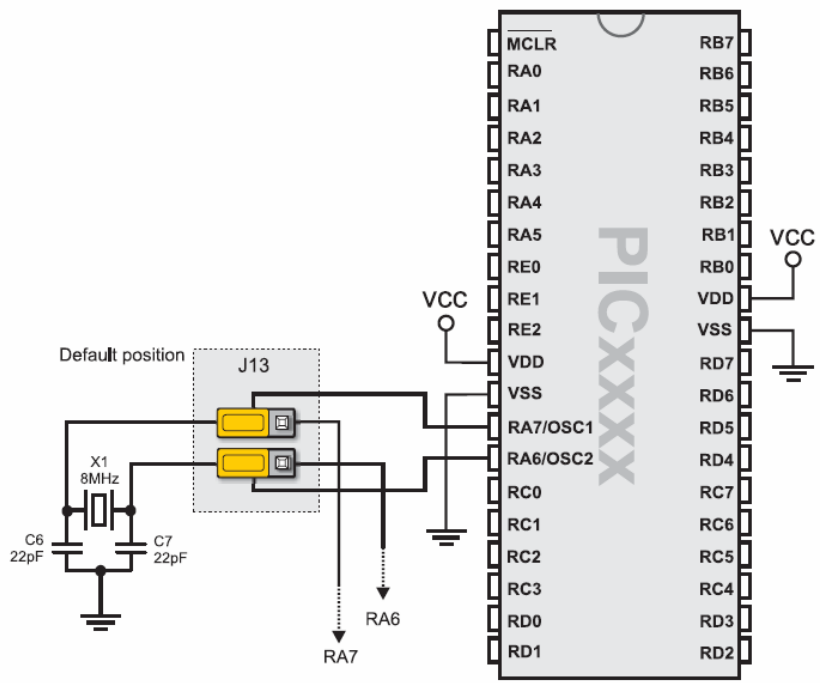
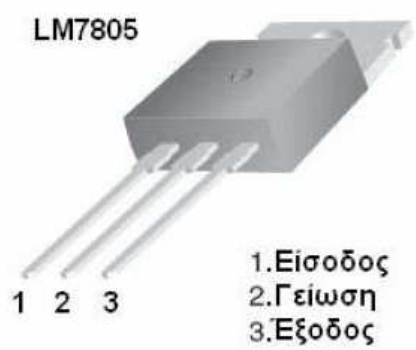
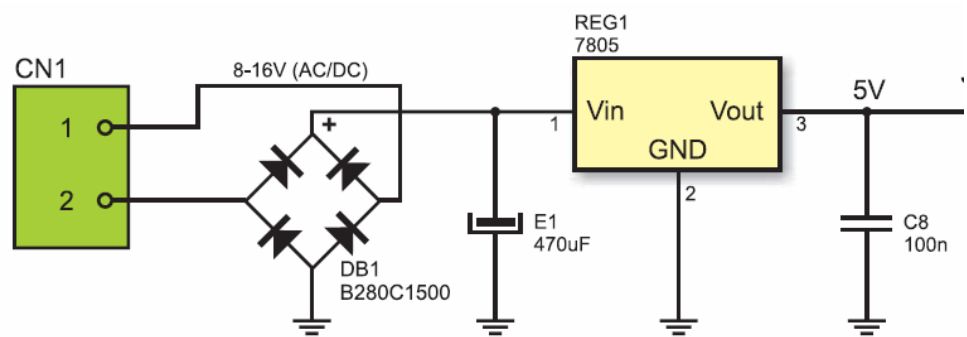


- Pin Description*
- 1 = $\overline{\text{MCLR}}/\text{VPP}$
 - 2 = V_{DD} Target
 - 3 = V_{SS} (ground)
 - 4 = PGD (ICSPDAT)
 - 5 = PGC (ICSPCLK)
 - 6 = PGM (LVP)

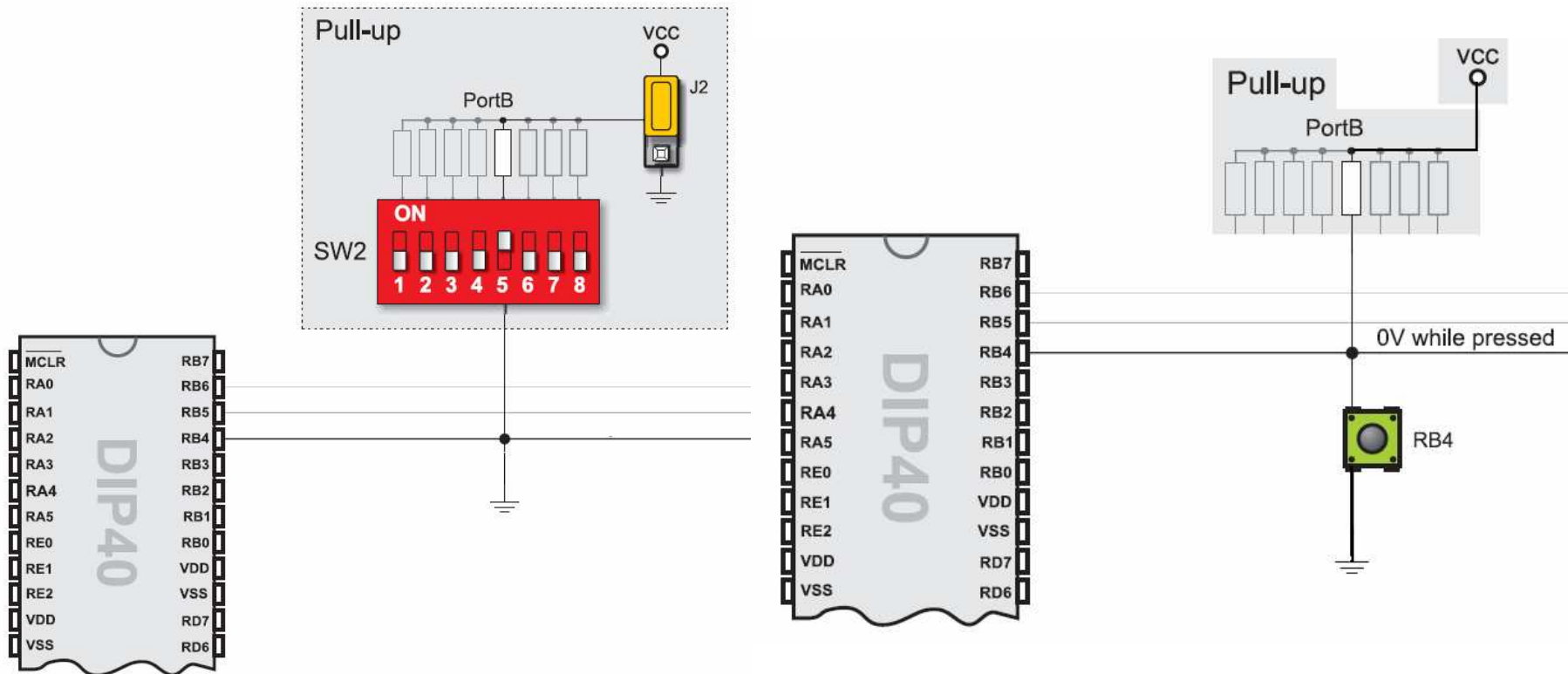
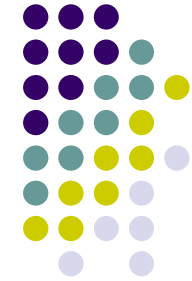
A possible development circuit



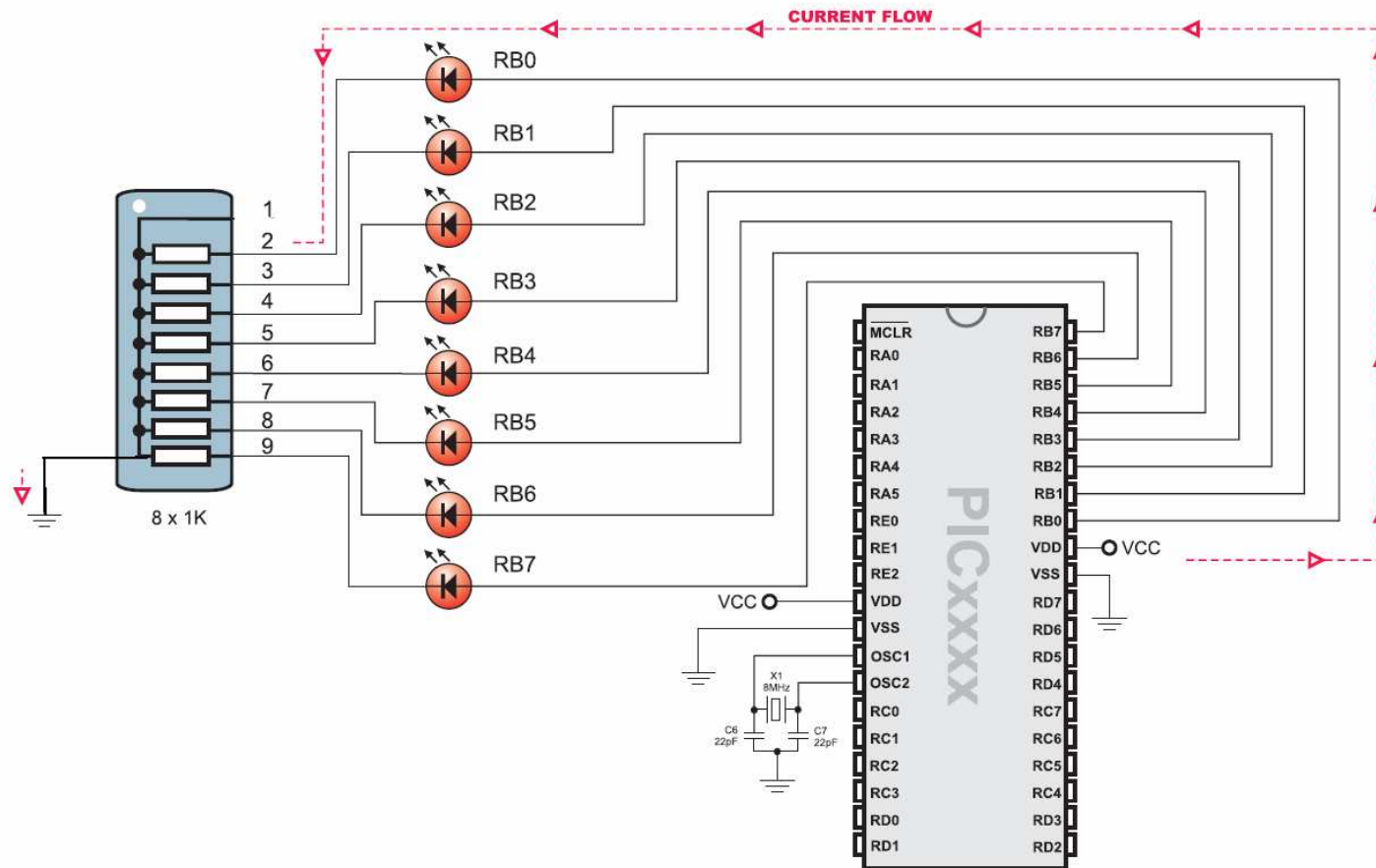
Hardware connections: Understand supply and oscillator



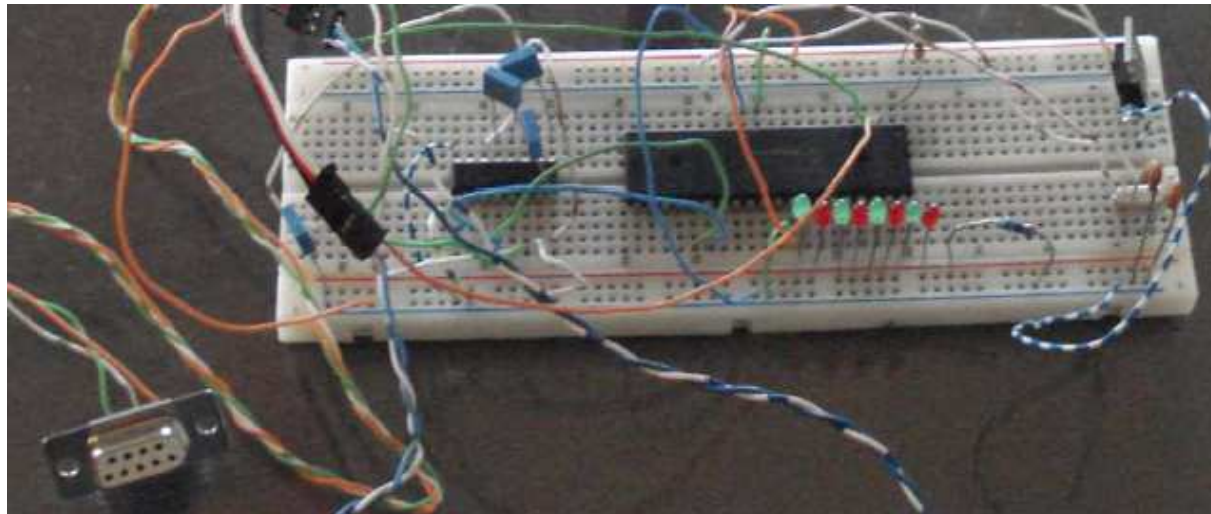
Hardware connections: Understand input hardware



Hardware connections: Understand output hardware



A simple application on a raster



MPLAB IDE: An Integrated tool for Software development



The screenshot displays the MPLAB IDE v8.60 interface with the following components:

- Project Explorer:** Shows a project named 'test1.mcp' with subfolders for Source Files, Header Files, Object Files, Library Files, Linker Script, and Other Files. The file 'test1.asm' is selected.
- Source Editor:** Displays the assembly code for 'test1.asm'. The code includes comments and instructions for setting up hardware (PORTD, PORTB, TRISA, TRISB, PCL, STATUS, WREG) and initializing peripherals. A green arrow points to the 'start bcf STATUS, RPO' instruction.
- Watch Window:** Shows a table of variables and their values during execution.

Update	Address	Symbol Name	Value	Decimal	Binary
	008	PORTD	0x00	0	00000000
	006	PORTB	0x00	0	00000000
	085	TRISA	0x3F	63	00111111
	086	TRISB	0xFF	255	11111111
	002	PCL	0x00	0	00000000
	003	STATUS	0x1C	28	00011100
		WREG	0x00	0	00000000
- Stimulus Window:** Shows a table for defining stimulus actions.

Fire	Pin / SFR	Action	Width	Units	Comments / Message
>	RD0	Toggle			
- Output Window:** Shows the build and debug output.

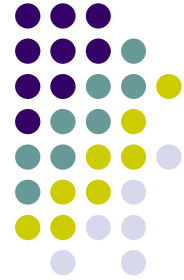

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Make: The target "C:\Microcontrollers_DSP\tests\post_grad_01\test1.o" is up to date.
Make: The target "C:\Microcontrollers_DSP\tests\post_grad_1\test1.col" is up to date.
Loaded C:\Microcontrollers_DSP\tests\post_grad_1\test1.col.

Debug build of project 'C:\Microcontrollers_DSP\tests\post_grad_1\test1.mcp' succeeded.
Language tool versions: MPASMWIN.exe v5.37, mplink.exe v4.37, mplib.exe v4.37
Preprocessor symbol 'DEBUG' is defined.
Sun Oct 07 19:01:09 2012

BUILD SUCCEEDED
      
```

Example program for PIC 16F877



- `; project_name: DIR \ test1`
- `;TITLE: This program reads PORTD and transfers data to PORTB`
- `;6.10.2012 by John`

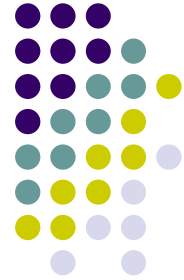
- `;#include "p16f877.inc"` ; You may either include the .inc file OR declare names for the SFRs, as below

- `;Optionally set Configuration Word bits: WDT OFF, Power-up timer ON, code protect OFF, XT oscillator`
- `list p=16F877` ;This is an optional directive
- `;Specify names for SFRs OR include the "pxxxxx.inc" file`
- `status equ 03`
- `portd equ 08`
- `trisd equ 08`
- `portb equ 06`
- `trisb equ 06`

- `Org 00` ;define the Reset vector
- `;Initialization of peripherals`
- `start bsf status, 5` ;select memory bank 1
- `movlw b'00000111'`
- `movwf trisd` ;the three first bits of portA are input
- `movlw 00`
- `movwf trisb` ;all pins of portB are output
- `bcf status, 5` ;return to bank0
- `;main code starts here`
- `main clrf portd`
- `loop movf portd, w`
- `movwf portb`
- `goto loop`
- `end`

Example program for PIC 16F877

– with only necessary directives and definitions



- `; project_name: DIR \ test1`
- `;TITLE: this program reads PORTD and transfers data to PORTB`
- `;6.10.2012 by John`

- `#include "p16f877.inc"`

- `; In this line we optionally set Configuration Word bits:`
- `; WDT OFF, Power-up timer ON, code protect OFF, XT oscillator, Low-Voltage Programming OFF`

- `Org 00` `;define the Reset vector`
- `;Initialization of peripherals`
- `start bsf STATUS, RP0` `;select memory bank 1`
- `movlw b'00000111'`
- `movwf TRISD` `;the three first bits of portA are input`
- `movlw 00`
- `movwf TRISB` `;all pins of portB are output`
- `bcf STATUS, RP0` `;return to bank0`

- `;main code starts here`
- `main clrf PORTB`
- `loop movf PORTD, w`
- `movwf PORTB`
- `goto loop`
- `end`

Assembler directives and number representations



Table 4.1 Some common MPASM Assembler directives

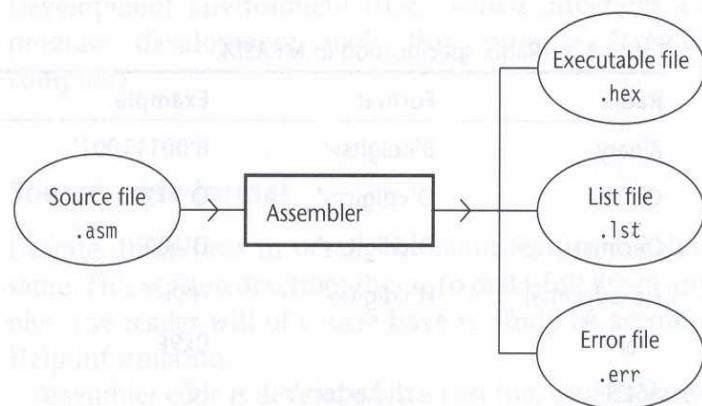
Assembler directive	Summary of action
list	Implement a listing option*
#include	Include additional source file
org	Set program origin
equ	Define an assembly constant; this allows us to assign a value to a label
end	End program block

Table 4.2 Number representation in MPASM Assembler

Radix	Example representation
Decimal	D'255'
Hexadecimal	H'8d' or Ox8d
Octal	O'574'
Binary	B'01011100'
ASCII	'G' or A'G'

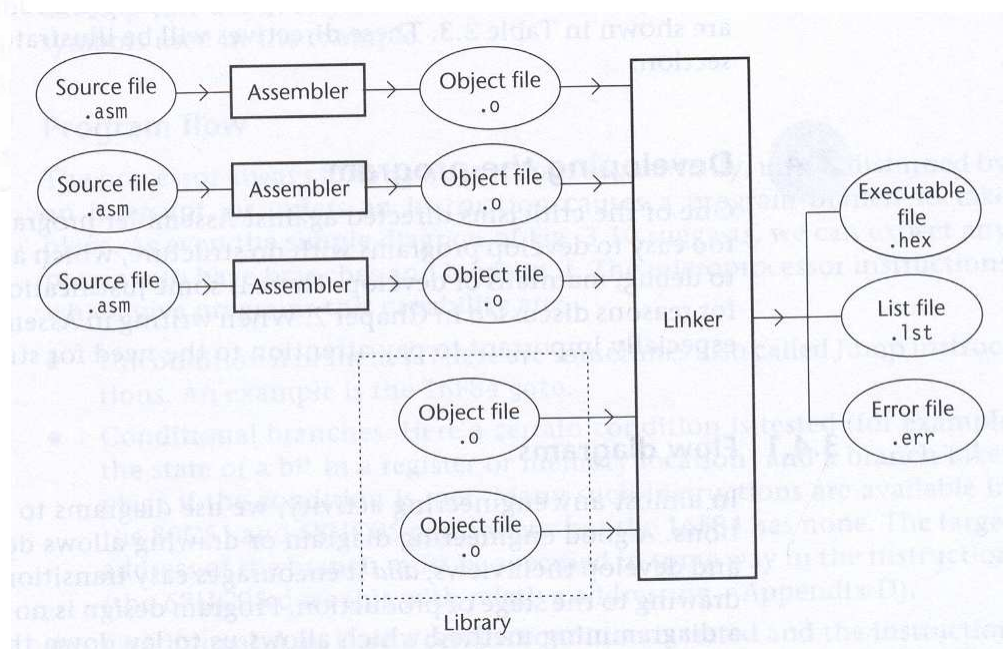


Assembler file structure and the role of the Linker



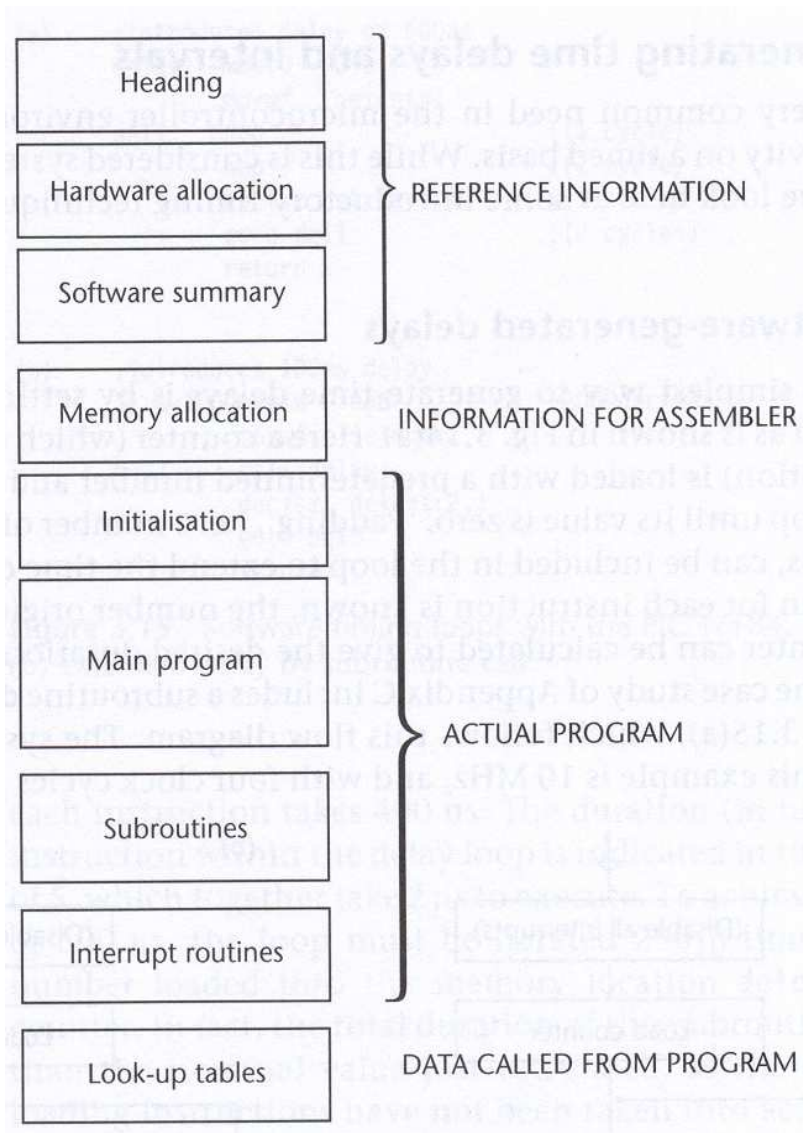
Simple assembler program development

Advanced assembler program development



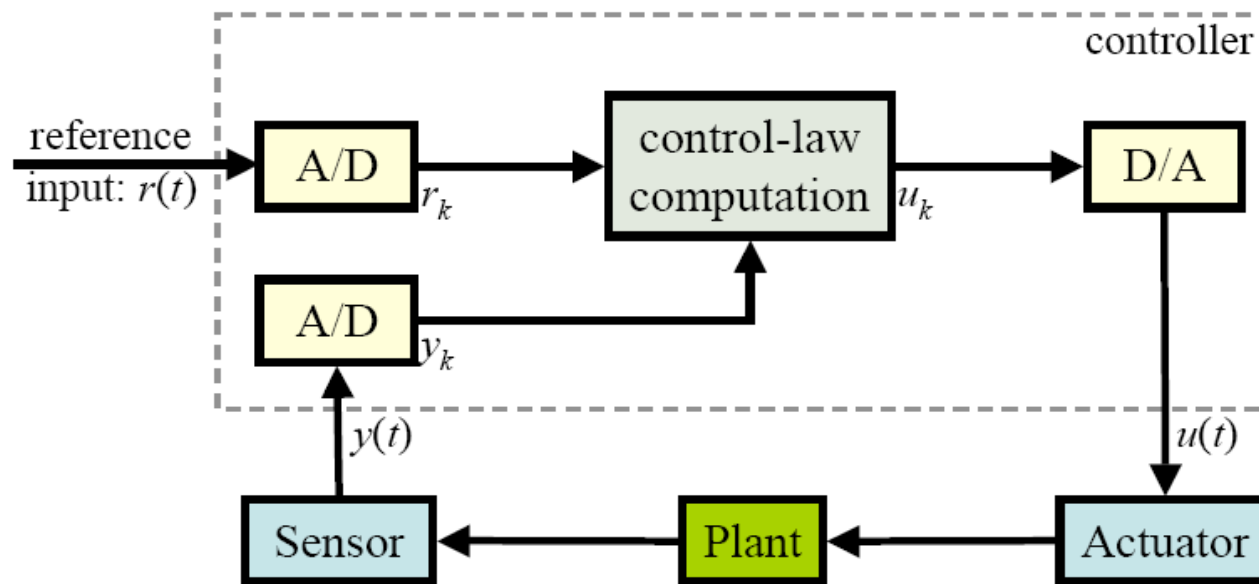


Assembler program layout

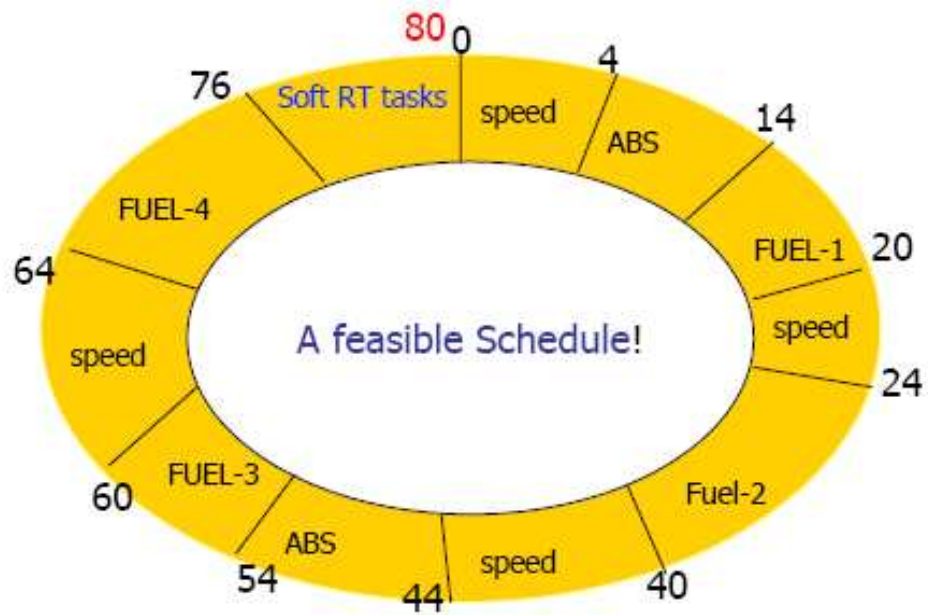


- **;This program moves switch values**
- **;from PortD to the leds of PortB**
- **;project_name: test1, 6.10.2012**
- **list p=16F877 ;This is an optional directive**
- **;Specify SFRs (optionally)**
- **status equ 03**
- **portd equ 08**
- **trisd equ 08**
- **portb equ 06**
- **trisb equ 06**
- **Org 00**
- **;Initialization of peripherals**
- **start bsf status, 5**
- **movlw b'00000111'**
- **movwf trisd**
- **movlw 00**
- **movwf trisb**
- **bcf status, 5**
- **;main code starts here**
- **main clrf portd**
- **loop movf portd, w**
- **movwf portb**
- **goto loop**
- **end**

The nature of the embedded application: The control loop

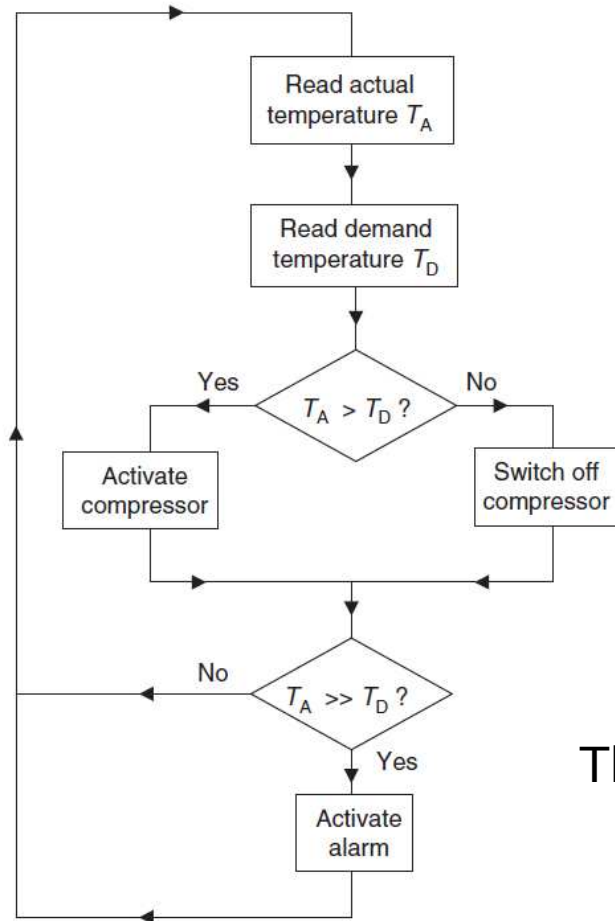
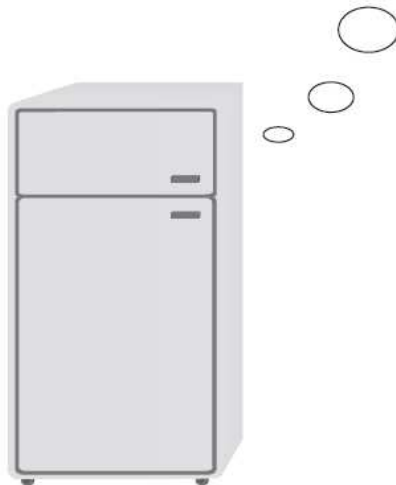


The nature of the embedded application: The super-loop



**Automobile super-loop controller
for real-time operation**

Flow diagrams and control-loops



Endless loop

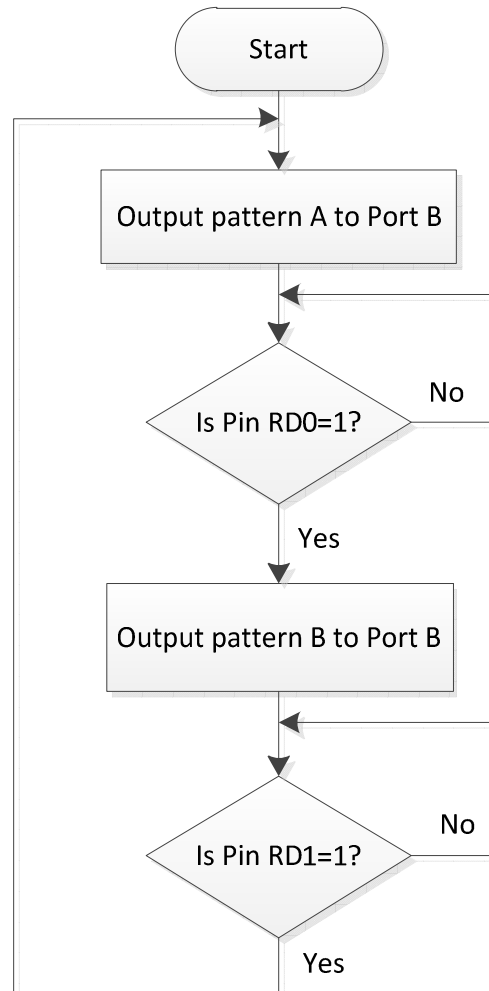
The fridge control-loop
(project No 1)



Bit testing and flow control

- `btfss Reg, b` i.e. `btfss STATUS, Z`
;test bit b of Reg and skip next instruction if bit set
- `btfsc Reg, b` i.e. `btfsc PORTD, 0`
;test bit b of Reg and skip next instruction if bit 0
- `incfsz Reg,` `decfsz Reg`
- `goto label` or `goto addr` i.e. `goto main` or `goto 08`
- `movwf PCL,` `addwf PCL`

Test port pins and branch (example)



```
#include "p16F877.inc"
```

```
;Initialization
```

```
Org 0
```

```
bsf STATUS, RP0
```

```
movlw b'00000000'
```

```
movwf TRISB
```

```
movlw b'11111111'
```

```
movwf TRISD
```

```
bcf STATUS, RP0
```

```
;Start from prog memory address 0
```

```
;Change to bank1
```

```
;Make all pins of portB outputs
```

```
;Make all pins of portD inputs
```

```
;Return to bank0
```

```
main
```

```
movlw b'01010101'
```

```
movwf PORTB
```

```
btfss PORTD, 0
```

```
goto $-1
```

```
movlw b'10101010'
```

```
movwf PORTB
```

```
btfss PORTD, 1
```

```
goto $-1
```

```
goto main
```

```
end
```

```
;Output to portB
```

```
;Wait until pin0 of portD receives 1
```

```
;Go to previous instruction
```

```
;change output combination to portB
```

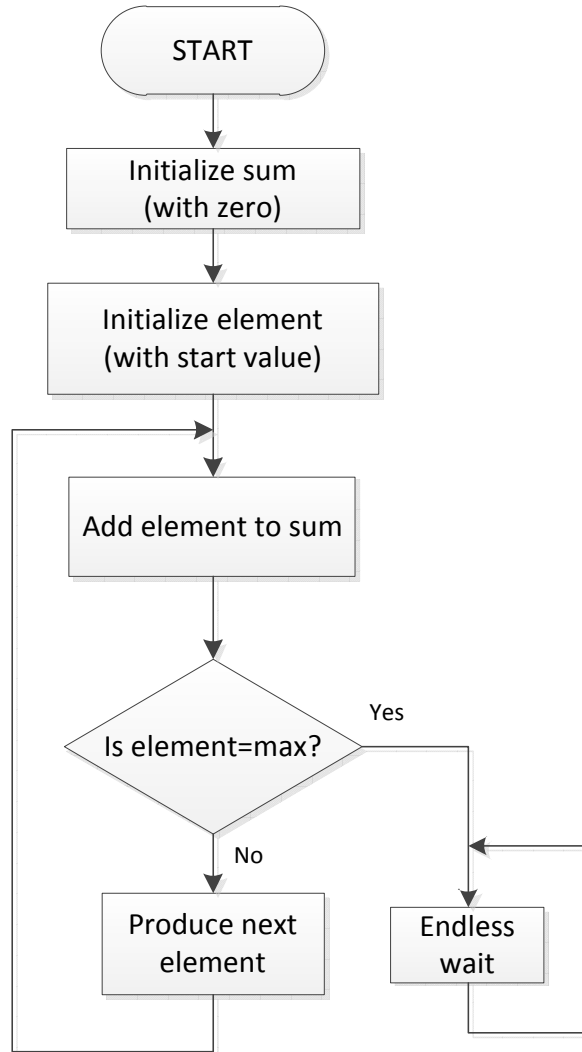
```
;Wait until pin1 of portD receives 1
```

Arithmetic operations (unsigned, 8-bit)

- | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <code>addlw <i>number</i></code> | $w = \text{number} + w$ | <code>addlw 05</code> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <code>sublw <i>number</i></code> | $w = \text{number} - w$ | <code>sublw 2A</code> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <code>addwf Reg, w or 0</code> | $w = \text{Reg} + w$ | <code>addwf 21h, 0</code> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <code>addwf Reg, 1</code> | $\text{Reg} = \text{Reg} + w$ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <code>subwf Reg, w or 0</code> | $w = \text{Reg} - w$ | <code>subwf 20h, w</code> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <code>subwf Reg, 1</code> | $\text{Reg} = \text{Reg} - w$ | |
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Example:

Write a program to sum all integers in interval [start value, max value]



**;This program adds up all integers in interval [start, max]
;For example from 1 to 10 [1, 10]**

**;The sum is stored in memory location 21h
;8.10.2012 by John Kalomiros**

#include "p16f877.inc"

**element equ 20h ;define address to store current added element
sum equ 21h ;define address for sum
start equ d'1' ;start int value (decimal)
max equ d'10' ;max int value (decimal)**

Org 00

;Initialize memory

movlw 00

movwf sum ;initialize sum

movlw start

movwf element ;load first element

;main code starts here

main movf element,w

addwf sum,1 ;add current element to sum

movf element, w

sublw max ;compare element with stop value

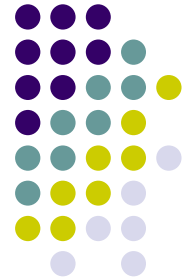
btfsc STATUS, Z ;if element exceeds max value, then stop

loop goto loop ;endless loop - wait here

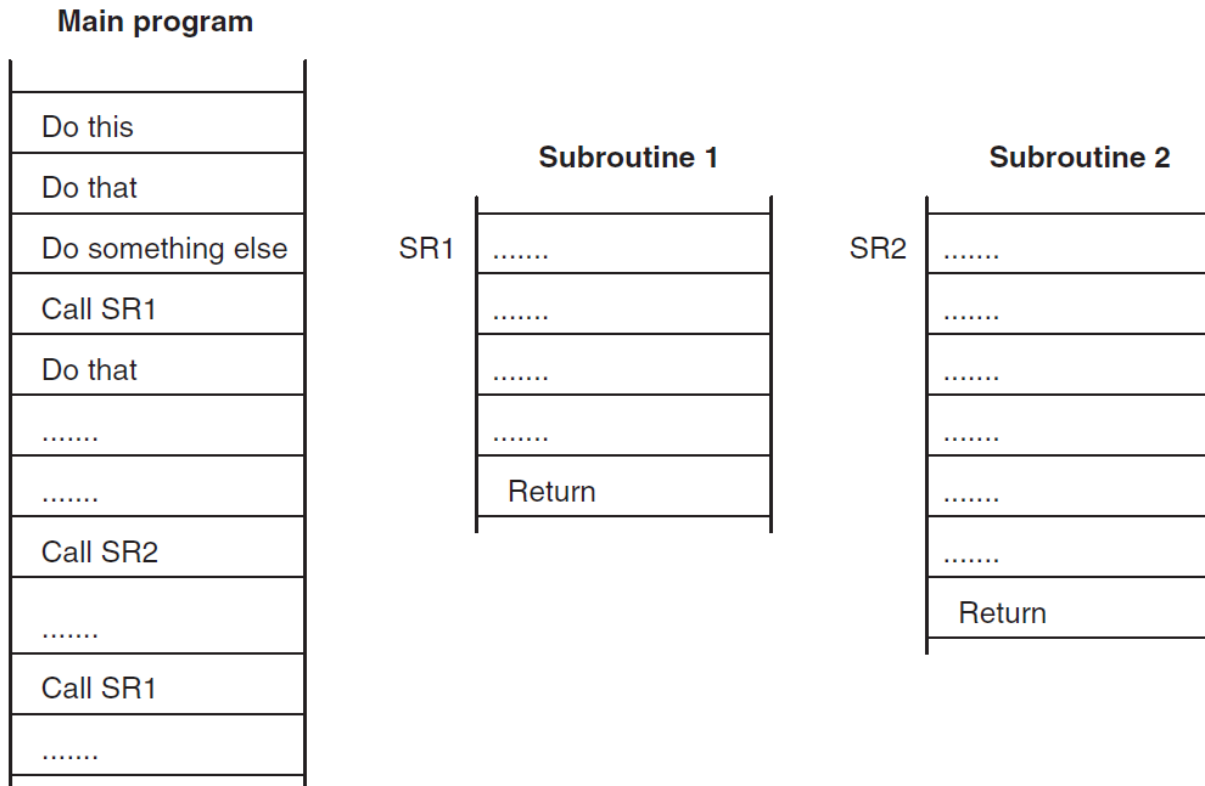
incf element ;otherwise produce next element

goto main ;continue loop

end



Subroutines



Subroutines: useful pieces of reusable code that can be repeatedly called from any program location. Always in pairs of **Call...return** see also: [retlw xx](#)



Delay subroutine (1ms)

- ;With crystal XT and fosc=4MHz, instruction cycle is 1 μ s
- ;branch instructions (call, goto) take 2 μ s
- delay
- movlw 0F9 ;load decimal 249
- nop ;first two instructions take 2 μ s
- micro4
- addlw 0FF ;add -1 in 2's complement
- btfss STATUS,Z ;no skip: 1 μ s. With skip: 2 μ s
- goto micro4 ;2 μ s
- return ;2 μ s

Loop micro4 takes 4 μ s x 249 iterations=996 μ s

First two instructions of "delay" take 2 μ s

Call delay instruction takes 2 μ s.

Total time from call delay to return =1000 μ s=1ms

Internal Timing issues



If external frequency is f_{osc} , then $T_{osc} = 1 / f_{osc}$

For example with $f_{osc} = 4\text{MHz}$, $T_{osc} = 0,25\mu\text{s}$

Execution of one instruction takes **4 cycles of the external clock:**

fetch, decode, execute and store = **1 instruction cycle**

In other words: Duration of 1 instruction cycle = $4 * T_{osc}$

For example with $f_{osc} = 4\text{MHz}$, **1 instruction takes $1\mu\text{s}$**



Timing issues (continued)

Duration of a group of instructions =

Number of instructions x duration of instruction cycle

Remember:

Branch instructions like `goto`, `call`, take 2 instruction cycles

`btfs`, `btfc`, `decfs`, take 2 cycles only when skip is performed



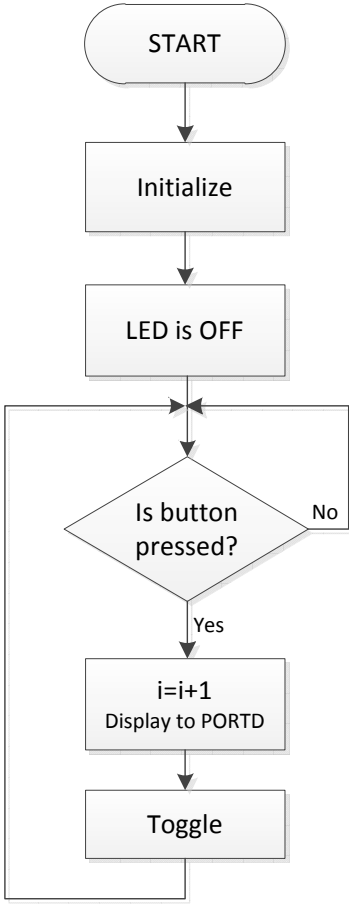
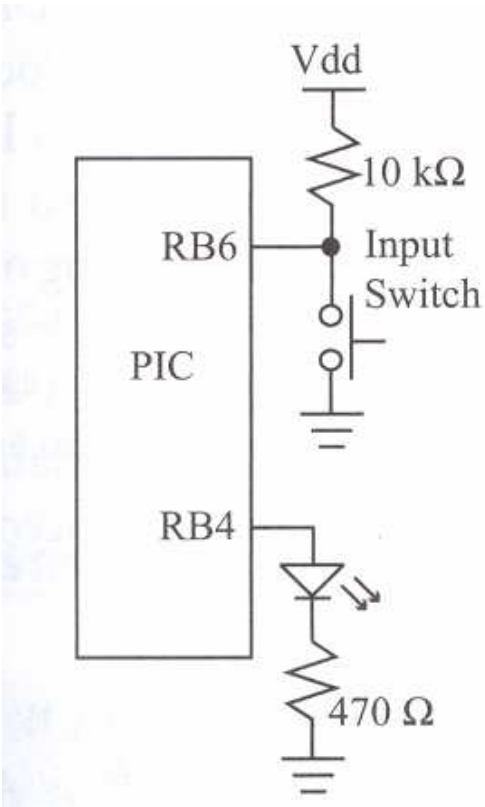
A delay subroutine for up to 255 msec

```
#include "p16f877.inc"
msec equ 20h
;don't forget to initialize!
        clrf PORTB
main    movlw d'100'
        call delay_ms
        comf PORTB
        end
```

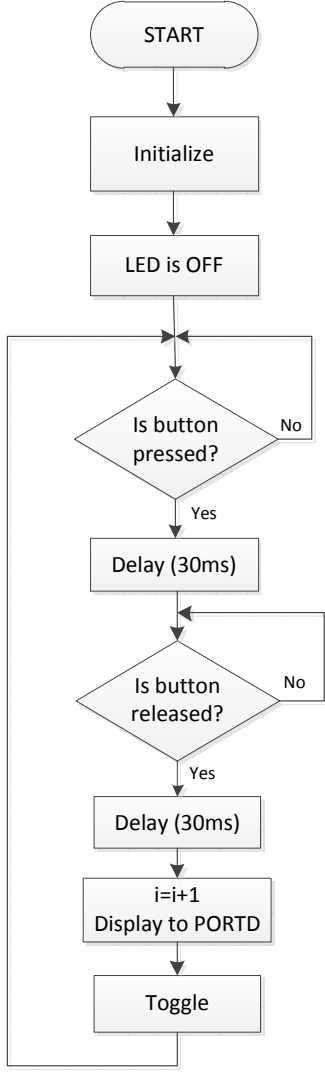
```
delay_ms
        movwf msec
loop    movlw 0F8 ;decimal 248
        call micro4 ;248x4+2=994µs
        nop
        nop
        decfsz msec, f
        goto loop
        return
```

```
micro4
        addlw 0FF
        btfss STATUS, Z
        goto micro4
        return
```

Toggle the LED each time the button is pressed-released and count activations



Wrong code!



Correct! Project No 2

Access matrix elements in LUT: example: sum up elements in a matrix (1/2)

;This program adds up all elements of a matrix
;The matrix is held in program memory as a LUT
;For example matrix=[2, 10, 20, 3, 8], all decimal values
;The sum is projected on the LEDs of PORTB ;9.10.2012 by John Kalomiros

```
#include "p16f877.inc"
```

```
pointer    equ 20h           ;define address of current pointer value  
sum        equ 21h           ;define address for sum  
size       equ d'5'          ;matrix size (decimal)
```

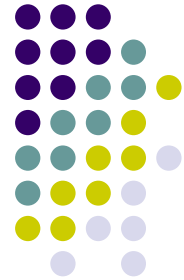
```
    Org 00
```

```
;Initialize ports
```

```
    bsf STATUS, RP0  
    movlw b'00000000'  
    movwf TRISB  
    bcf STATUS, RP0
```

```
;Initialize memory
```

```
    movlw 00  
    movwf sum           ;initialize sum  
    clrf pointer        ;initialize pointer(with zero)  
    clrf PORTB
```



example: sum up elements in a matrix (continued 2/2)

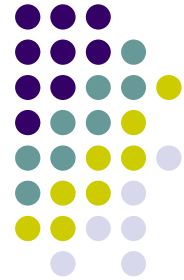
Main code and LUT subroutine (with `retlw xx`)

`;main code starts here`

```
main    movf pointer,w
        call table
        addwf sum,1           ;add new element to sum
        incf pointer,1       ;increment pointer
        movf pointer, w
        sublw size          ;compare new pointer with size value
        btfss STATUS, Z     ;if pointer exceeds size, then skip
        goto main
        movf sum, w
        movwf PORTB        ;show result on the LEDs of PORTB
loop    goto loop
```

`;This subroutine holds LookUp Table`

```
table   addwf PCL
        retlw d'02'         ;returns with xx value in WREG
        retlw d'10'
        retlw d'20'
        retlw d'03'
        retlw d'08'
        end
```





Find the minimum among N elements in a matrix

First, put values in RAM memory:

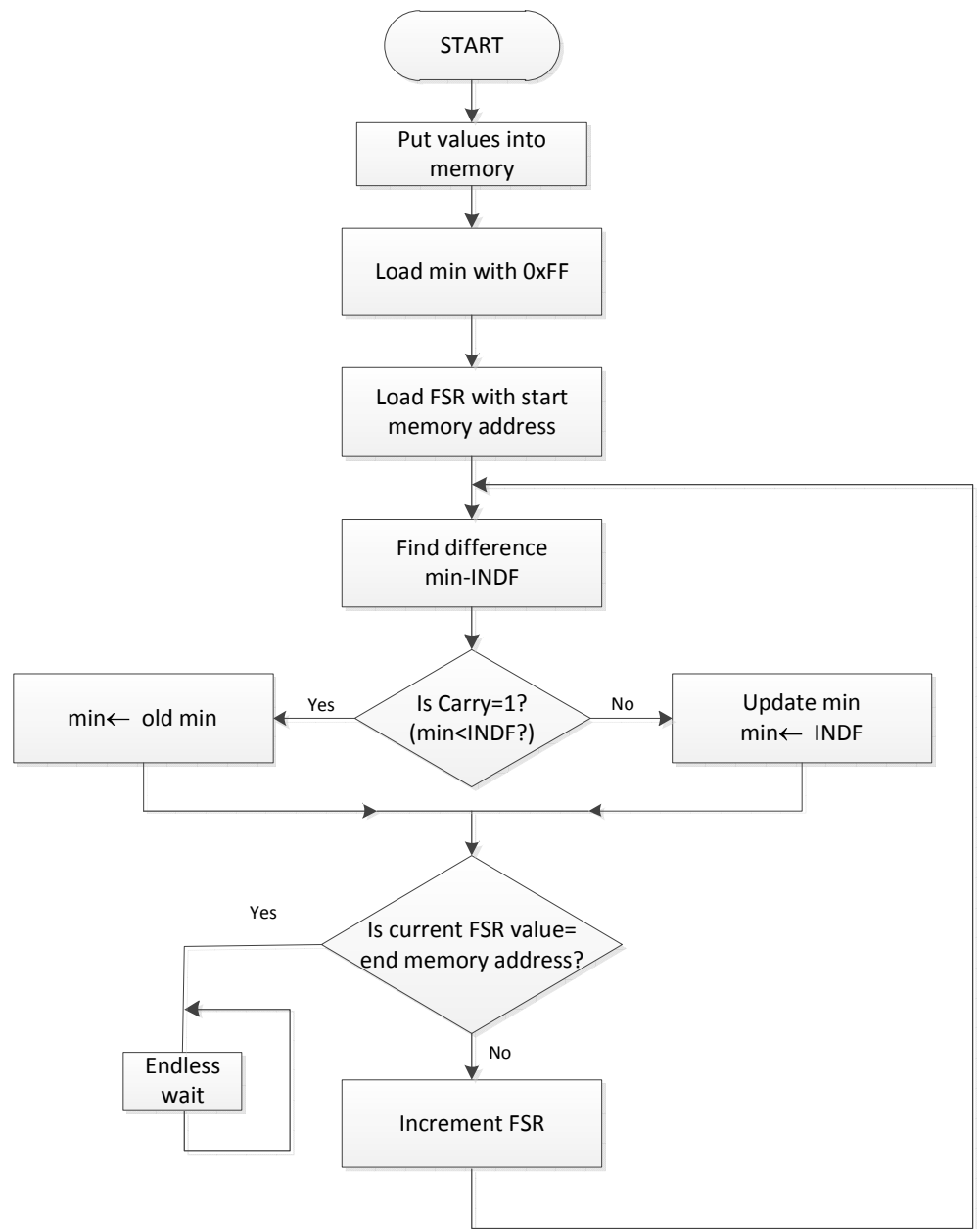
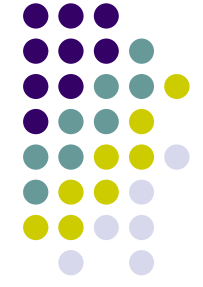
Mnemonic name	Address in RAM	Example value
startf	0x20	0x09
	0x21	0x07
	0x22	0x05
	0x23	0x1A
endf	0x24	0x2B
min	0x31	0xFF

Start with the maximum possible min value: min=0xFF

Then, scan all memory locations using FSR and INDF registers and compare each value with the previous min value.

Update min value at each step.

Find the minimum among N elements in a matrix



Project No 3

Find the minimum among N elements in a matrix



```
find_min    ;write code to put values into memory
            ;main routine
            clrf PORTB
            movlw 0xFF
            movwf min    ;put in min the maximum possible value
            movlw startf
            movwf FSR    ;start memory location in FSR
loop2       movf INDF,w  ;access memory location in FSR
            subwf min,w  ;compare current memory value with min (min-w)
            btfss STATUS,C ;if Carry=1 then result is negative (min<INDF)
            movf min,w   ;in which case min is minimum
            btfsc STATUS,C ;if Carry=0 then sub result is positive (INDF<min)
            movf INDF,w  ;in which case INDF is minimum
            movwf min    ;update min
            movf FSR,w
            sublw endf   ;check if current memory is last
            btfsc STATUS,Z
            goto label
            incf FSR,1   ;access next memory location
            goto loop2   ;repeat comparison
label       movf min,w
            movwf PORTB  ;project the minimum value on PORTB
endless     goto endless
```

Input a list into memory using DIP switches and a push button

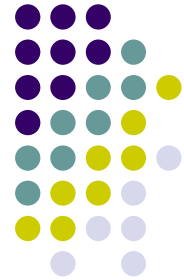
- #include "p16F877.inc"
- __CONFIG _CP_OFF & _WDT_OFF & _XT_OSC & _PWRTE_OFF & _CPD_OFF & _WRT_ENABLE_ON & _BODEN_ON & _LVP_OFF
-
- ;declarations-memory allocation
- msec equ 0x32 ;millisec value memory location for delay call
- startf equ 0x20 ;first address
- endf equ 0x24 ;last address. 5 values in memory
- min equ 0x31 ;allocate a reg for cuurent minimum
- index equ 0x33
- ;PORT Initialization
- Org 00 ;Start from prog memory address 0
- bsf STATUS, RP0 ;Change to bank1
- movlw b'00000000' ;Make all pins of portB outputs
- movwf TRISB
- movlw b'11111111' ;Make all pins of portD inputs
- movwf TRISD
- movlw b'00000001' ;Make pin0 of portC input
- movwf TRISC
- bcf STATUS, RP0 ;Return to bank0
- clrf PORTB
- clrf index



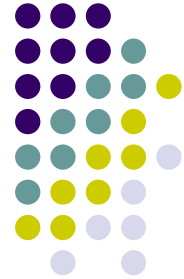
Input a list into memory using DIP switches (continued)

;part A: Read Input Data from PORTD and put the values in memory

```
        movlw startf
        movwf FSR
read     btfss  PORTC, 0           ;pin C0 p-b pressed?
        goto  $-1
        movlw d'50'             ;50 ms delay
        call delay_ms          ;delay to debounce
        btfsc PORTC, 0         ;pin C0 p-b released?
        goto  $-1
        movlw d'50'             ;delay to debounce
        call delay_ms
        movf  PORTD,w
        movwf INDF              ;store datum. Find memory location address in reg FSR
        incf index,1
        movf index,w
        movwf PORTB            ;project index on PORTB
        movf FSR,w
        sublw endf              ;Is this the last input value?
        btfsc STATUS, Z
        goto find_min
        incf FSR,1              ;access next input value
        goto read               ;read next value
```



Structured programming based on subroutines



;Find minimum among N elements with structured program

;Code structured with subroutines

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```
#include "p16F877.inc"
```

```
__CONFIG _CP_OFF & _WDT_OFF & _XT_OSC & _PWRTE_OFF & _CPD_OFF &  
_WRT_ENABLE_ON & _BODEN_ON & _LVP_OFF
```

;variable definitions-memory allocation

```
msec          equ 0x32          ;millisec value memory location  
startf       equ 0x20  
endf         equ 0x24          ;5 values in memory (N=5)  
min          equ 0x31          ;allocate a reg for cuurent minimum  
index       equ 0x33  
  
              Org 00           ;Start from prog memory address 0  
main         call initialize  
              call inp_vals  
              call find_min  
              movf min,w  
              movwf PORTB      ;project the minimum value on PORTB  
endless     goto endless
```



CONFIGURATION BITS

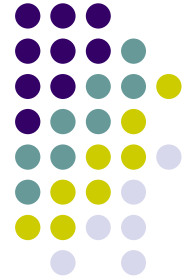
These are part of the MCU's internal memory. They can only be changed during programming (never during run-time). They set the mode of function of certain internal units, like the oscillator, the WDT, programming mode, etc.

You may set them in code using the declaration `__CONFIG`:

```
__CONFIG _CP_OFF & _WDT_OFF & _XT_OSC & _PWRTE_OFF & _CPD_OFF &  
_WRT_ENABLE_ON & _BODEN_ON & _LVP_OFF
```

OR you may set them in MPLAB selecting `Configure=>Configuration Bits` in the main menu

BEWARE: if you omit to set the configuration bits you are bound to run into potentially serious problems



Required reading:

Designing Embedded Systems with PIC microcontrollers

by Tim Wilmshurst, chapters 4 and 5.

Embedded Systems design: A Unified Hardware-software approach

by Frank Vahid and Tony Givargis, chapter 1.