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Example application for timer pulse output when Timer A is insufficient

1. Abstract

This document describes the procedure and example usage for performing timer output using timer B and DMAC when timer A is insufficient to produce the timer output.

2. Introduction

This application note is applied to the M16C/65 group microcomputers.

This application note can be used with other M16C Family MCUs which have the same special function registers (SFRs) as the above group. Check the manual for any modifications to functions. Careful evaluation is recommended before using the program described in this application note.



3. Specification

The following shows an example of how to use timer B and the DMAC in the M16C/65 group to produce timer pulse output.

• System

XIN = 20MHz, VCC1 = VCC2 = 5V

DMAC

DMA request factor = TB0 interrupt request, transfer mode = repeat transfer, transfer unit = 8 bit, source address direction = forward (pulse output data), destination address direction = fixed (port P0)

TB0

timer mode, count source = f1TIMAB, timer period = 1ms (timer value = 20000 - 1)

4. Operation

The output level of Po_0 functioning as an output port in DMA transfer is changed each time timer B0 underflows in 1 ms cycle. Figure 1 shows timing chart.

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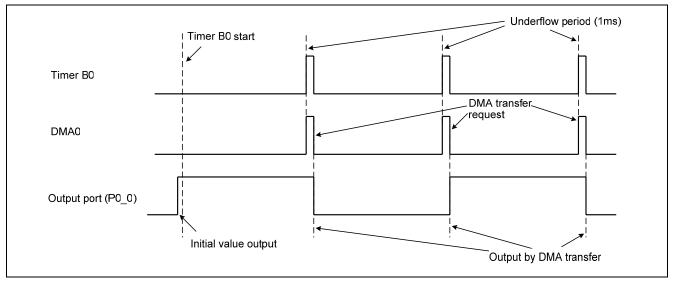


Figure 1. Pulse output timing chart

Note that for reasons of SFR bit assignments, operation in this sample program may involve manipulating some bits whose functions are unused. Make sure the values of these bits are set according to the working condition in the user system.



5. Set-up procedure

Table 1 shows Timer B count source, Figure 2 shows block diagram of Timer B count source in timer mode.

Table 1. Count Source Selection of Timer B

TCKDIVC0 register (Note 1)	TBCSj	register (TBiMR registe		Count source	Count source period	
TCDIV00	TCS3/ TCS7	TCS2/ TCS6	TCS1/ TCS5	TCS0/ TCS4	TCK1	TCK0		f(XIN):20MHz f(XCIN):32.768kHz f(oco-F):about 20MHz f(oco-s):about 125kHz	
0	0	-	-	-	0	0	f1TIMAB/ f2TIMAB (Note 3)	50ns/100ns	
0	0	-	-	-	0	1	f8TIMAB	400ns	
0	0	-	-	-	1	0	f32TIMAB	1600ns	
0	0	-	-	-	1	1	fc32	976.56µs	
0	1	0	0	0	-	-	f1TIMAB/ f2TIMAB (Note 3)	50ns/100ns	
0	1	0	0	1	-	-	f8TIMAB	400ns	
0	1	0	1	0	-	-	f32TIMAB	1600ns	
0	1	0	1	1	-	-	f64TIMAB	3200ns	
0	1	1	0	0	-	-	foco-F	about 50ns	
0	1	1	0	1	-	-	foco-s	about 8µs	
0	1	1	1	0	-	-	fc32	976.56µs	
1	1	0	0	0	-	-	f1TIMAB/ f2TIMAB (Note 3)	about 50ns/100ns	
1	1	0	0	1	-	-	f8TIMAB	about 400ns	
1	1	0	1	0	-	-	f32TIMAB	about 1600ns	
1	1	0	1	1	-	-	f64TIMAB	about 3200ns	

Note 1: TCDIV00 bit is clock select prior to timer AB division bit. Set the TCDIV00 bit before setting other registers associated with timer A. After changing the TCDIV00 bit, set other registers associated with timer A again.

Note 2: TCS3~TCS0 bits of TBCS0 register correspond to Timer B0 count source selection, TCS7~TCS4 bits of TBCS0 register correspond to Timer B1 count source selection, TCS3~TCS0 bits of TBCS1 register correspond to Timer B2 count source selection, TCS3~TCS0 bits of TBCS2 register correspond to Timer B3 count source selection, TCS7~TCS4 bits of TBCS2 register correspond to Timer B4 count source selection, and TCS3~TCS0 bits of TBCS3 register correspond to Timer B4 count source selection.

Note 3: When the PCLK0 bit in the PCLKR register is "1", the selected clock source is f1TIMAB. When the PCLK0 bit is "0", the selected clock source is f2TIMAB.



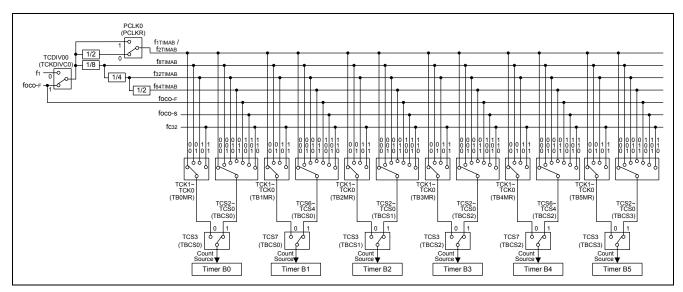
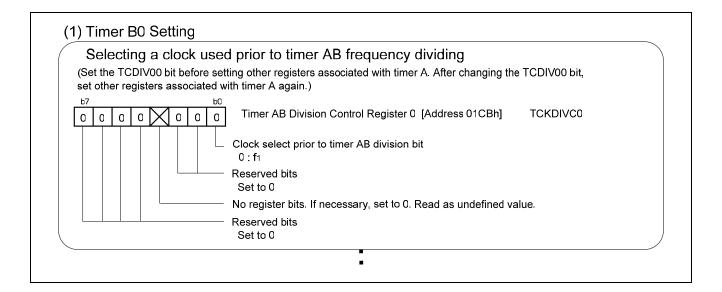
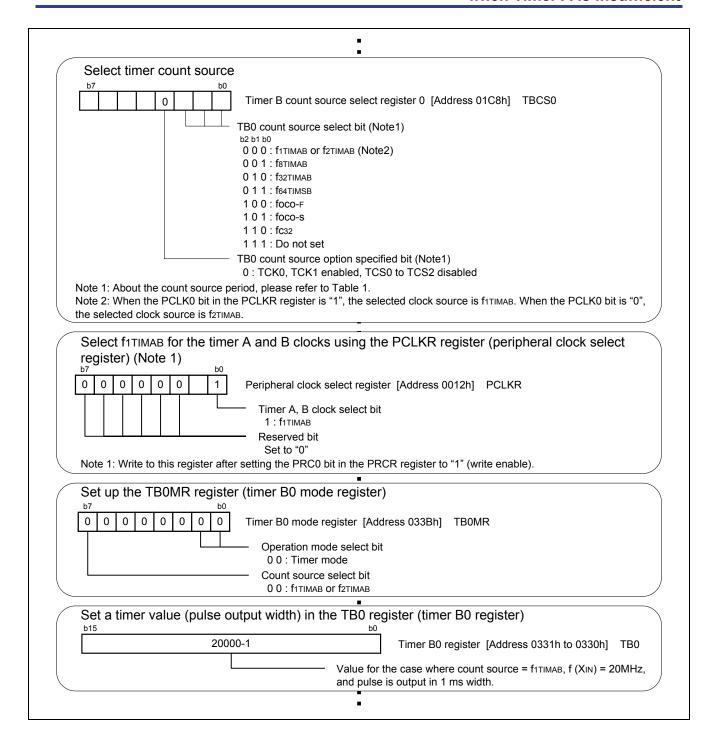


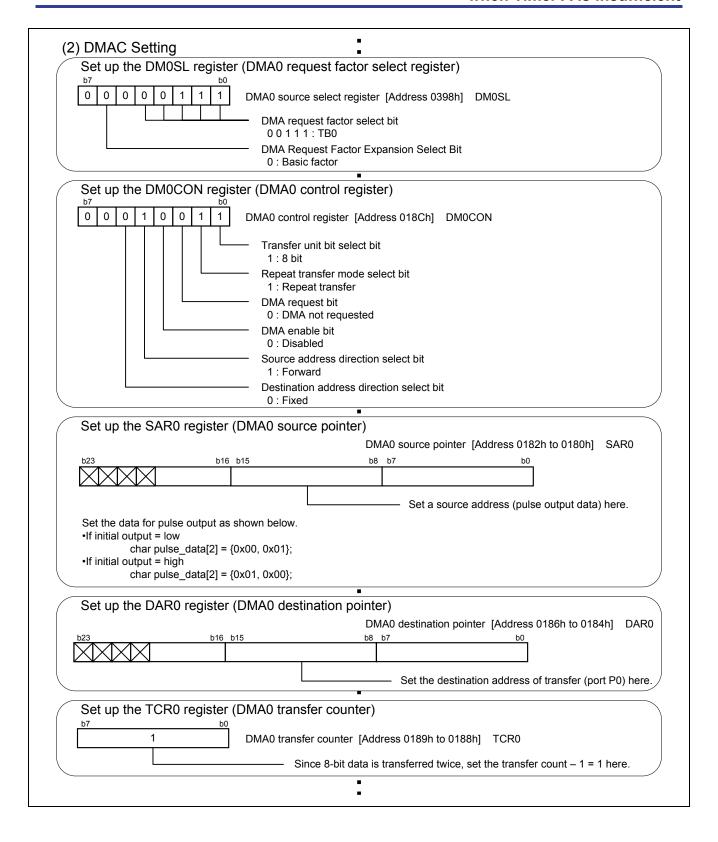
Figure 2. Count source of Timer B



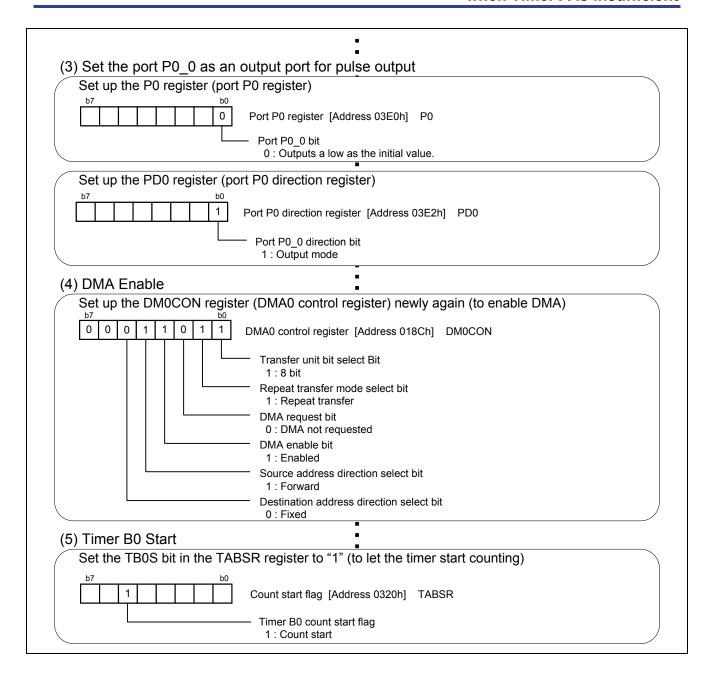














6. Precaution

When using timer B and the DMAC in combination to produce timer pulse output, pay attention to the following.

(1) Limitations Due to DMAC Specifications

For reasons of DMAC specifications, the following limitations apply.

- If a DMA request occurs in other interrupt sequence processing, DMA transfer is kept waiting.
- If DMA0 and DMA1 requests occur at the same time, DMA0 is serviced first because it has higher priority and DMA1 is kept waiting.

Therefore, the procedure presented here cannot be used for short-cycle, high-accuracy applications. For such applications, we recommend using timer A preferentially over the other timer.

(2) Pulse Output Delay

• Delay time at start of timer B

For pulse output produced first at start of timer B, the instruction execution time from when the port direction register is set for output to when timer B is made to start constitutes a delay time.

• Delay Time Due to DMA Transfer

Pulse output actually is produced a finite time after a timer B interrupt request occurred, which is equal to the DMA setup time + number of DMA transfer cycles (see "(3) DMA Transfer Cycles" in "6 Precaution"). This delay time can be adjusted by adjusting the timer value.

Figure 3 shows an example of pulse output delay when the same timer value is set in timers A and B.

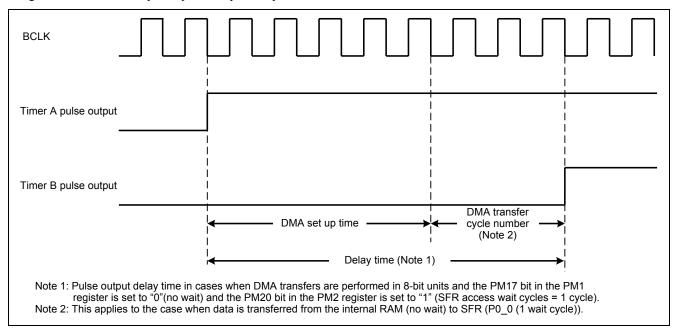


Figure 3. Pulse output delay example

(3) DMA Transfer Cycles

The number of DMAC transfer cycles can be calculated as follows:

Table 2 shows the number of DMA transfer cycles. Table 3 shows the Coefficient j, k.

No. of transfer cycles per transfer unit = No. of read cycles \times j + No. of write cycles \times k



Table 2. DMA Transfer Cycles

Transfer Unit	Bus Width	Access Address	Single-Chip Mode		Memory Expansion Mode Microprocessor Mode		
			No. of Read Cycles	No. of Write Cycles	No. of Read Cycles	No. of Write Cycles	
8-bit	16-bit	Even	1	1	1	1	
Transfers		Odd	1	1	1	1	
	8-bit	Even	-	-	1	1	
		Odd	-	-	1	1	
16-bit	16-bit	Even	1	1	1	1	
Transfers		Odd	2	2	2	2	
	8-bit	Even	-	-	2	2	
		Odd	-	-	2	2	

Table 3. Coefficient j, k

	Interna	I Area			External Area							
	Internal ROM, SFR RAM		SFR		Separate Bus			Multiplex Bus				
	No Wait	With Wait	1-Wait (Note 1)	2-Wait (Note 2)	No Wait	With Wa	it (Note 1) 2 Waits	3 Waits	With Wai	it (Note 1) 2 Waits	3 Waits	
j	1	2	2	3	1	2	3	4	3	3	4	
k	1	2	2	3	2	2	3	4	3	3	4	

NOTES:

- 1. Depends on the set value of CSE register.
- 2. Depends on the set value of PM20 bit in the PM2 register.
- (4) Limitations on Output Port

Since DMA transfers are performed in 8-bit units, no other pins (P0_1 to P0_7), except P0_0 used for timer pulse output, can be used as output ports.



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