



## APPLICATION NOTE 3921

# Using a DS1307 with a PIC Microcontroller

*Abstract: This application note is intended to demonstrate an application using the DS1307 real-time clock (RTC) with a Microchip PIC microcontroller. The software example includes basic operating routines. A schematic of the application circuit is included.*

## Discussion

This application note demonstrates how to use the [DS1307](#) real-time clock (RTC) with a Microchip PIC16F628 microcontroller.

The example code, written in assembly code, includes a routine for reading the time and date from the RTC and a routine to write time and date data to the RTC from user entries.

## Operation

The program uses two general-purpose port pins on the microcontroller to communicate with the DS1307 using the I<sup>2</sup>C serial interface. The microcontroller's internal UART drives two port pins, which are connected to a DS232 line driver/receiver. User inputs and data outputs from the program are passed through the RS-232 interface from a terminal emulator program on a PC to the microcontroller. The RS-232 DTR input line controls the microcontroller's reset input.

The microcontroller in this example is a PIC16F628. For information on the microcontroller used in this application note, including available programming tools, visit the [Microchip web site](#).

The software is shown in **Figure 1**. A schematic of the circuit is shown in **Figure 2**.

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Winchide <G168928.asm>
lang = PIC16C62
<code> NOPAAJ
;Use config.gpio as 1.7V and enable (NCLC)
asmcli(1-30) ; do not print message for operands that are not in bank 0

; define the board pins for the hardware UART
#define BAUD_VALUE 0x15 ; 0x15 sets the baud rate to 38400 with a 20 MHz crystal

#define SCL PORTA1 ; bus clock line
#define SDA PORTA4 ; bus data line

; scratch
TMP equ 0x01 ; 1 byte general-purpose scratchpad
TMP2 equ 0x02 ; temp register
COUNT equ 0x03 ; temp register
YRS equ 0x04
MON equ 0x05
DOY equ 0x06
DAY equ 0x07
HR equ 0x08
MIN equ 0x09
SEC equ 0x0A

SET_BANKE MACRO
    bcf STATUS, RP0
    bcf STATUS, RP1
ENDM

SET_BANK0 MACRO
    bcf STATUS, RP0
    bcf STATUS, RP1
ENDM

PIC_START MACRO
    bcf SDA ; SDA high
    nop
    SET_BANK0
    bcf TRISA, 1 ; SCL high (input)
    SET_BANK0
    bcf SDA ; SDA low (start)
ENDM

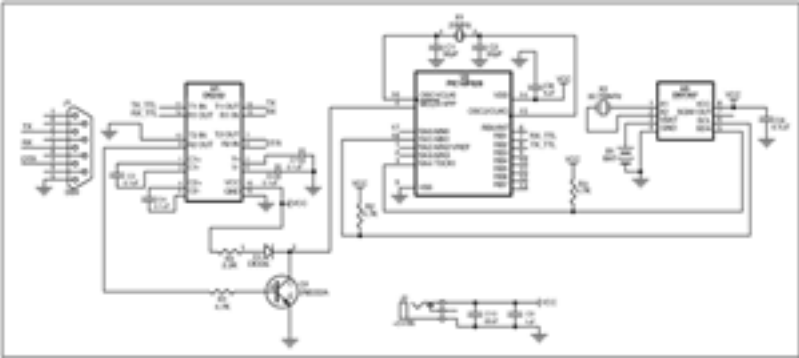
PIC_STOP MACRO
    bcf SDA ; SDA low
    nop
    nop
    SET_BANK0
    bcf TRISA, 1 ; SCL high (input)
    SET_BANK0
    bcf SDA ; SDA high
ENDM

org 0x00

```

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Figure 1. Program Listing



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Figure 2. Schematic drawing of the DS1307 circuit used with a PIC microcontroller.

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