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Designing PIC[®] Microcontroller Circuits for EFT/ESD Compatibility - I



Objectives

- Get basic understanding of EMC with emphasis on
 - Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)
 - Electrical Fast Transients
- Understand component selection criteria
- Get some guidelines on component placement

- EMC overview
- What is ESD?
- What is EFT?
- Component selection
- Component placement
- Microcontroller systems















Overview of EMC

EMC- Electromagnetic Compatibility

- Capability of an electronic system to function compatibly with other electronic systems and not produce or be susceptible to interference
- A system is electromagnetically compatible if:
 - It does not cause interference with other systems
 - It is not susceptible to emissions from other systems
 - It does not cause interference with itself



IEC Standards

- 60601 -> Medical electrical equipment
- 61000-3 -> Electromagnetic Compatibility
- 61000-4-2 -> ESD
- 61000-4-3 -> Radiated Electromagnetic Field
- 61000-4-4 -> EFT/Burst
- 61000-4-5 -> Surge
- 61000-4-6 -> RF Field Conducted disturbances
- 61000-4-11 -> Voltage dips and interruptions



Cost of Addressing EMC



Concept Design Layout Prototype Testing Production



Microchip EMC resources

- EMC Newsletter
 - Available on Appliance and Automotive design center
- EMC Webinars





Noise fundamentals





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Issue 2: Every Loop is an antenna, like it or not



Noise fundamentals

Internal

• Switching (for Gaussian system 3dB $_{BW=}\frac{0.35}{t_r}$)





What is ESD?



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Issue 1: What is ESD?



What is ESD?

Discharge of Static Electricity





Why do we care for ESD?





Why do we care for ESD?

Common Static Voltages

Static Voltage as a function of Relative Humidity (RH)	20% RH kV	80% RH kV
Walking across a vinyl floor	12	0.25
Walking across a synthetic carpet	35	1.5
Picking up a polyethylene bag	20	0.6
Sliding a styrene box on carpet	18	1.5
Removing mylar tape from a PC board	12	1.5
Triggering a vaccum solder remover	8	1.0
Aerosol circuit freeze spray	15	5.0



ESD

ESD a "Context Sensitive" issue

- Semiconductor
- Manufacturing
- End user





ESD

- Semiconductor perspective
 - JESD22-A114B for HBM
 - JESD22-A115A for MM
 - Refer: Microchip Overview, Quality Systems And Customer Interface Systems Handbook
 - Manufacturing perspective
 - Anti static work station
 - Wrist band
 - Grounded systems



IEC 61000-4-2

- End User perspective
- The "System Level" standard defines
 - Test voltage waveform
 - Range of test levels
 - Test equipment
 - Test set-up
 - Test procedure











Contact Discharge		Air Discharge	
Level	Test Voltage (kV)	Level	Test Voltage (kV)
1	2	1	2
2	4	2	4
3	6	3	8
4	8	4	15
Х	Special	Х	Special



IEC 61000-4-2 Waveform Parameters

Level	Voltage (kV)	First Peak Current (A)	Rise time tr nS	Current at 30nS (A)	Current at 60nS (A)
1	2	7.5	0.7 to 1	4	2
2	4	15	0.7 to 1	8	4
3	6	22.5	0.7 to 1	12	6
4	8	30	0.7 to 1	16	8



IEC 61000-4-2 Selection Of Test Levels

Class	Min RH	Antistatic material	Synthetic Material	Peak Voltage kV
1	35	\checkmark		2
2	10	\checkmark		4
3	50		\checkmark	8
4	10		\checkmark	15



IEC 61000-4-2 Test set-up (Floor Standing Equipment)





IEC 61000-4-2 Test Points

- Electrically isolated metallic sections
- Control or keyboard area and any other point of man-machine interface
- Indicators, LEDs, slots, grilles, connector hoods, etc.



ESD Strategy

- Material selection
- Determine first point of contact
- Limit the current
- Low- inductance ground



What is EFT?



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Issue 1: What is EFT?



What is Electrical Fast Transients (EFT)?

 Bursts of interference pulses simulates inductively loaded switches.





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Level	Power Supply Ports		I/O signal, data and control Ports	
	Voltage Peak kV	Repetition rate kHZ	Voltage Peak kV	Repetition rate kHZ
1	0.5	5	0.25	5
2	1	5	0.5	5
3	2	5	1.0	5
4	4	2.5	2.0	5
X	Special	Special	Special	Special



IEC 61000-4-4 Selection of Test Levels

- Test level selection criteria
 - Well-protected environment
 - Protected environment
 - Typical industrial environment
 - Severe industrial environment

- -> Level 1
- -> Level 2
- -> Level 3
- -> Level 4



IEC 61000-4-4 Test equipment

- Polarity: Positive/ Negative
- Asynchronous to power supply
- Coupling
 - Power supply ports
 - Internal: Asymmetric: L, N, PE, L-N, L-PE,
 - N-PE, L-N-PE, 3phase
 - I/O and communication ports
 - Capacitive coupler



IEC 61000-4-4 Test set-up (Power Supply ports)





IEC 61000-4-4 Test set-up (Data I/O ports)





EFT Strategy

- Line filters
- Transient protectors
- Isolation transformers
- Voltage regulators
- Isolated high power circuit



IEC 61000-(4-2 Vs 4-4)

Characteristics	ESD (4-2)	EFT (4-4)
Max Voltage	Up to 15kV	Up to 4kV
Energy	<10mJ	<= 300mJ
Rep Rate	Single Impulse	Multiple Pulses @ 5KHz
Spectrum	~1GHz	~ 100MHz



Component Selection




Resistor Model





$$\label{eq:starsess} \begin{split} & \underline{\text{Example}} \\ & \text{Metal film, axial resistor} \\ & \text{R} = 1.00 \ \text{M}\Omega \pm 1\% \\ & \text{L}_{\text{S}} \approx 5 \ \text{nH} \\ & \text{C}_{\text{P}} \approx 0.5 \ \text{pF} \end{split}$$



Resistor Impedance





Resistors

SMT & Thin film resistors

- Good for high frequency response
- Not good for ESD protection. May arc around resistor.
- Metal film suitable for high power density or high accuracy circuits
- Wire wound resistors suitable for high power handling circuits
 - Don't use in high frequency sensitive circuits



Capacitors - Construction

- Electrolytic winds metal foil spirally between thin layer of dielectric
- Tantalum block of dielectric with plates and pins attached
- Ceramic multiple parallel metal plates in a ceramic dielectric



Capacitors - Construction





- Self Resonance (f₀)
 - Impedance of inductor equals that of capacitor
 - Magnitudes of the impedance are same but opposite in sign
 - Net impedance of the circuit is the resistance





Capacitor Impedance





Tantalum Capacitor Model



Example SMT tantalum capacitor $C = 10 \ \mu F \pm 20\%$ W.V. = 10 V





Tantalum Capacitor Impedance









Type Electrolytic Tantalum Paper Mica Ceramic Capacitors Approx. Max Frequency 100 kHz 1 MHz 5 MHz 500 MHz 1 GHz



- To provide low impedance for shunting or diverting noise currents to ground
 - Frequency content must be below self resonance frequency
- Sometimes multiple capacitors are needed to provide wider frequency filtering
- Frequent mistake is to make capacitance bigger to fix problem



- Electrolytic & Tantalum
 - Higher capacitance values
 - Low frequency filtering
 - Used for bulk charge storage
 - Electrolytic have high inductance
 - Tantalum have low ESR
- Ceramic capacitors
 - Smaller values of capacitance
 - Maintain ideal behavior up to much higher freq
 - Mid to high frequency filtering









Bypass

- Shunts undesirable frequencies before they reach susceptible circuits
- Watch self resonance frequency as well as high impedance circuits
- Low impedance loads draw energy away from bypass capacitor
- Usually larger capacitance from electrolytic or tantalum capacitors



Decoupling

- Devices that are switching couple noise onto the power supply (VDD & GND)
- Decoupling capacitors filter high frequency noise on power supply entering a device
- Should be placed as close to the power pins on the device
- Ceramic capacitors are usually used for decoupling because of the fast rise and fall times and their low ESR



- No parasitic inductance⁰
 - No difference between leaded & SMT
- Open loop: rod inductor
 - Magnetic field passes through air
- Closed loop: toroid
 - Magnetic field passes through core









- Open loop inductors increase EMI
- Closed loop inductors have very little susceptibility to external noise
- When using inductors to solve EMC issues
 - Usually only useful on signals that are DC or change infrequently
 - Impedance of load circuit is low
 - Parallel capacitors are better for high impedance loads



- Two types of core material
 - Iron: useful for low frequency (kHz)
 - Ferrite: useful for high frequency (MHz)
- Ferrite bead is a single turn inductor
 - Provide ~10dB attenuation at high frequencies
 - Low attenuation or resistive at low frequencies
 - Check frequency / impedance curve



Transient Suppression Devices Comparison

Device	V/I curve	Speed	Energy cap	Loss	Cost
Ideal	Sharp/ Flat	Fast	Infinite	None	Free
MOV	Sharp/ Non- Lin	Med	High	High	Low
SAD	Sharp/ Flat	Fast	Low	Low	Mod
GDT	Erratic/ Non- Lin	Slow	High	Low	Mod to High
Thyristor	Sharp/ Flat	Med	High	Low	Mod
Spark Gap	Erratic/ Non- Lin	Slow	High	Low	Low



Metal Oxide Varistor (MOV)

- Voltage Dependant Resistor
- Higher capacitance (Typ 1500 pF)
- High power handling capability
 - E.g. 6500 Amps @ 8 X 20 uS Pulse for 20mmMOV
- Short If fails
- Higher Leakage E.g. 5 mA @ operating V
- Performance degrades with transients



Hybrid TVS





Quiz time









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Issue 2: The art or Science of component placement



Floor Planning

- Partition into functional areas
 - Separate different signals
 - Low frequency vs. high frequency
 - Low power vs. high power
 - Separate different functions
 - Analog vs. digital
 - Supply vs. signal
 - Power driver vs. signal conditioning



Floor Planning

- Add isolation
 - Make high frequency signal paths
 - Short
 - Near the PCB edge connector
 - Use guard rings and traces
 - Add spacing between sections
- Do not use auto routers for analog / power sections



Circuit Segmentation

- Circuit Segmentation
 - Physically separate circuits to reduce coupling
 - High current or high switching frequency circuits should be close to power supply





Decoupling

Power supply decoupling





Capacitor Placement

Place bulk capacitors close to demand





Component Placement

 Keep susceptible component away from PCB edge





Component Placement

 Keep interfacing components close to PCB edge





Ferrite Bead Placement







Component Placement

Switcher & Load location





Power Line Filter Placement

• Power line filter location



Poor



Good



Floor Planning

High Power / Frequency Components Placed Near Connector

Separate Digital and Analog Portions of the Circuit







Floor Planning




Quiz time





Tips & Tricks

Microcontroller Circuits





- I/O pins
- Interrupt pins
- Reset pin
- Power supply
- Oscillator
- Brown Out Reset (BOR)
- Watch Dog Timer (WDT)



Microcontroller Circuits I/O Pins





Interrupt Pins

- Edge triggered interrupts susceptible to noise
- Use level triggered type or sample interrupt pin inside ISR
- Use line terminations to reduce reflections, ringing or overshoot which can cause false interrupts
- Carefully route connections to interrupt traces/pins to reduce cross-talk



Reset Pins

- A series resistor to limit the amount of current entering the MCLR pin due to ESD or EOS
- A decoupling capacitor to attenuate high frequency noise
- Recommends pull-up resistor to VDD of <40 K Ω





Reset Pins

MCLR is also VPP for programming

 If not performing ICSP[™] programming of the device in circuit, add diode to VDD for additional ESD protection





Reset Pins

- Some devices has a fuse setting to disable MCLR
- If MCLR functionality is not required then disable it.
- If MCLR disabled then..





- Single Supply Programming (PGM pin)
 - If Single Supply Programming (LVP) is enabled then...





External Watch Dog / Reset Control





Power Supply

- Any noise on the power supply will enter all circuits on the board
- Must have adequate decoupling caps AND bulk charge storage caps







Microcontroller Circuits Oscillator

Oscillator

- Oscillator circuits are generally high impedance
- Susceptible to high frequency signal cross-talk or noise
 - Can induce jitter, out of spec duty cycle or complete oscillator failure





Flow chart for WDT based reset recovery





Code for WDT recovery

EXAMPLE 2: "PATTERN MATCHING" WDT RESET ROUTINE IN 'C'

```
const unsigned char PATTERN[]={"!@#$%^&*"}; //shift + <1 thru 8> on a 101 keyboard.
unsigned char Location [8] = {0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0};
unsigned char i;
void main (void)
       for (i = 0; i < 8;)
               if (Location[i] != PATTERN[i])
                                                // pattern match?
                                                       // no, then break
                       break;
               else i++;
                                                       // yes, then check next
       if (i != 8)
                                                       // all done
                                                      // no, then write pattern...
               for (i = 0; i < 8; i++)
                                                    // to RAM locations ...
                       Location[i] == PATTERN[i]; // and ...
               while(1):
                                                       // wait for WDT timeout
        else for (i = 0; i < 8; i++)
                                                       // yes, then clear RAM
               Location[i] = 0;
// Rest of the code
```



Resets - Sources

- POR Power-On Reset (VDD slope)
- MCLR Master Clear Reset (pin voltage)
- WDT Watch Dog Timer Reset (time-out period)
- BOR Brown-Out Reset (VDD voltage)
- Software reset instruction (PIC18 only)
- Stack Condition (PIC18 only)



Identifying Reset Source

Condition	Program Counter	RCON Register	RI	то	PD	POR	BOR	STKFUL	STKUNF
Power-on Reset	0000h	01 1100	1	1	1	0	0	u	u
MCLR Reset during normal operation	0000h	0u uuuu	u	u	u	u	u	u	u
Software Reset during normal operation	0000h	00 uuuu	0	u	u	u	u	u	u
Stack Full Reset during normal operation	0000h	0u uu11	u	u	u	u	u	u	1
Stack Underflow Reset during normal operation	0000h	0u uu11	u	u	u	u	u	1	u
MCLR Reset during SLEEP	0000h	0u 10uu	u	1	0	u	u	u	u
WDT Reset	0000h	0u 01uu	1	0	1	u	u	u	u
WDT Wake-up	PC + 2	uu 00uu	u	0	0	u	u	u	u
Brown-out Reset	0000h	01 11u0	1	1	1	1	0	u	u
Interrupt wake-up from SLEEP	PC + 2 ⁽¹⁾	uu 00uu	u	1	0	u	u	u	u

Legend: u = unchanged, x = unknown, - = unimplemented bit, read as '0'



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Issue 4

- Periodic refresh of ports
- Polling inputs
- "Noise Proof" input scan

- Update All ports, once every 50/60 Hz or once in main
- Token passing or subroutine counters
- Reset based recovery
 - Simple State Machine
- Use the watchdog timer
 - Known reset loop, Fill unused memory with "goto \$"



Summary

- IEC 61000-4-4 is a common system level standard for EFT/ Burst.
- IEC 61000-4-2 is a common system level standard for ESD.
- Many other standards are similar to this.
- Various systems requires various levels of protections



Summary

- Reviewed tips & tricks to improve the system susceptibility against EFT/ ESD
- Component selection and placement is very important.
- Looked at some important tips for microcontroller circuits
- Many fixes for EFT & ESD helps for other EMC issues



Top Fixes



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Top Fixes





Top Fixes

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- Noise Reduction Techniques in Electronic Systems by Henry W. Ott
- Printed Circuit Board Design Techniques for EMC Compliance by Mark I. Montrose
- Microchip MASTERs classes 720EMC, 719NRT, 649PCB, 844EMC



Standards Web Site

- Federal Communications Commission www.fcc.gov
- International Electrotechnical Commission www.iec.ch
- MIL Standards (military) www.mil-standards.com
- Society of Automotive Engineers www.sae.org