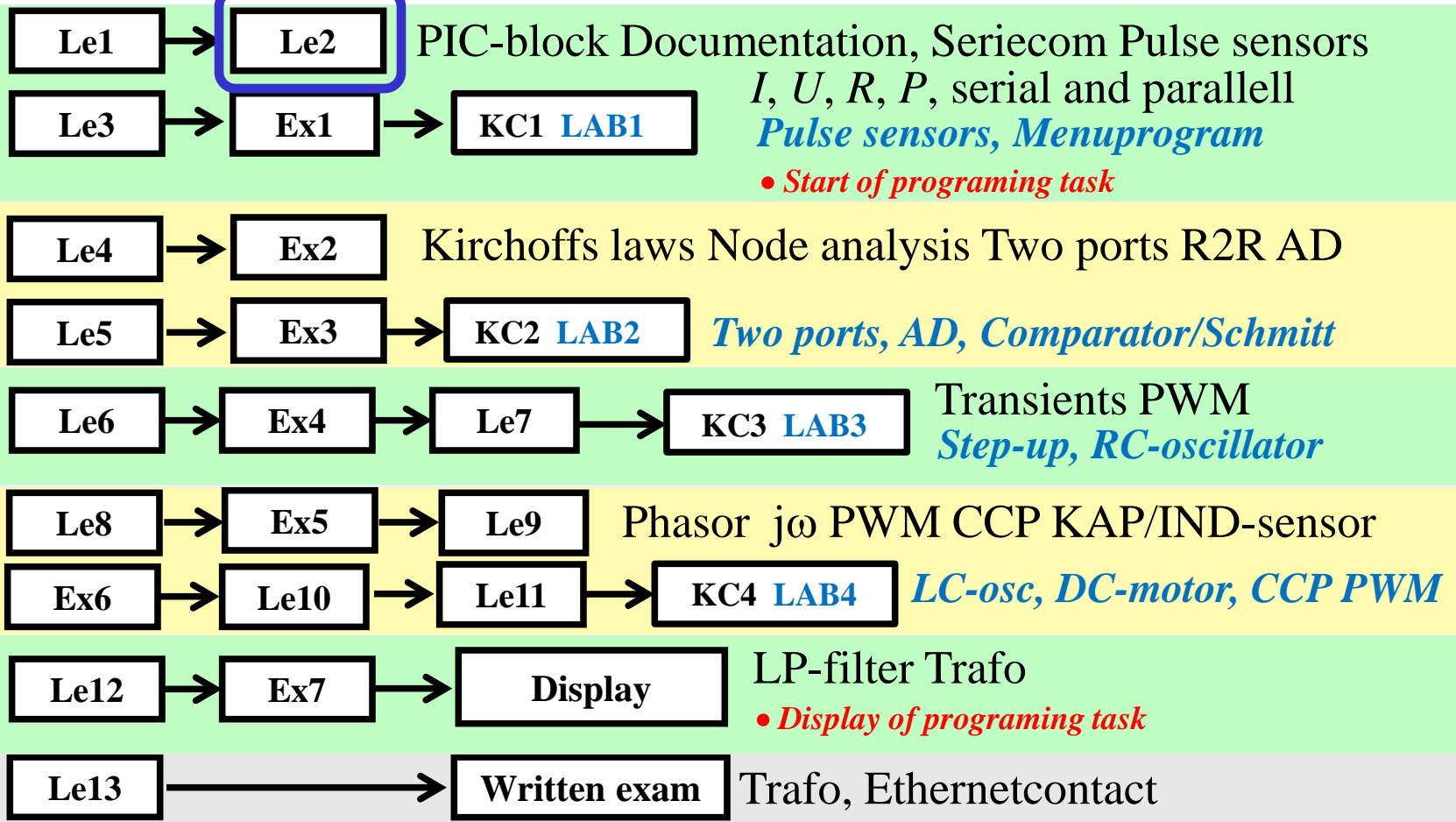


# IE1206 Embedded Electronics



# Handling of text strings and numbers

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNO  
PQRSTUVWXYZØabc  
defghijklmnopqr  
stuvwxyzø&12345  
67890(\$.,!?)

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# String "Hello world!"

PIC-processors store string constants with the letters embedded in a table of instructions.

You get a letter by first loading the **W**-register with the with the letter sequence number in the table and then you do a jump to the table, eg. **CALL text1**.

The tabelle **text1** starts with the instruction **ADDWF** wich forward *redirects* the jump to the sequence number in table ( according to the number in **W**-register ). There we find the instruction **RETLW** wich means return jump, but with the wished letter in the **W**-register.

```
Assembly code:  → text1 addwf          ; jump indirect W
                 retlw 0x48    ; 'H'
                 retlw 0x65    ; 'e'
                 ← retlw 0x6c    ; 'l'
                 retlw 0x6c    ; 'l'
                 retlw 0x6f    ; 'o'
```

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This is called computed goto

# Cc5x C-string "computed goto"

- as function with "computed goto".

→ `char text1( char W)` *Skip-function jumps W C-*  
*instruktions (special for Cc5x)*  
{  
    `skip(W);`  
    `return 'h'; return 'e'; return 'l'; return 'l';`  
    `return 'o'; return 'w'; return 'o'; return 'r';`  
    `return 'l'; return 'd'; return '\r';`  
    `return '\n'; return '\0';`  
}

- or the same with a simplified notation ( pragma = special ).

```
char text1( char W)
{
    skip(W);
    #pragma return[] = "hello world" '\r' '\n' '\0'
}
```

# To print a string

```
char i, k;
for(i = 0 ; ; i++)
{
    k = text1(i);
    if( k == '\0') break;    // found end of string
    putchar(k);
}
```

*Fetch a letter*

*until end of string*

*print the letter*

```
char text1( char W)
{
    skip(W);
    #pragma return[] = "hello world" '\r' '\n' '\0'
}
```

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# ( C pointers \* address & and dereference \* )


*Short on C-language pointer – do you remember?*

`int b;` Declaration of integer variable **b**. Place is reserved. 

`b = 18;` Definition of variable **b**. Now it contains number 18. 

`&b` Address operator. The address to variable **b**. 

`int * c;` Declaration of int-pointer variable **c**. 

`c = &b;` Now **c** points at **b**. 

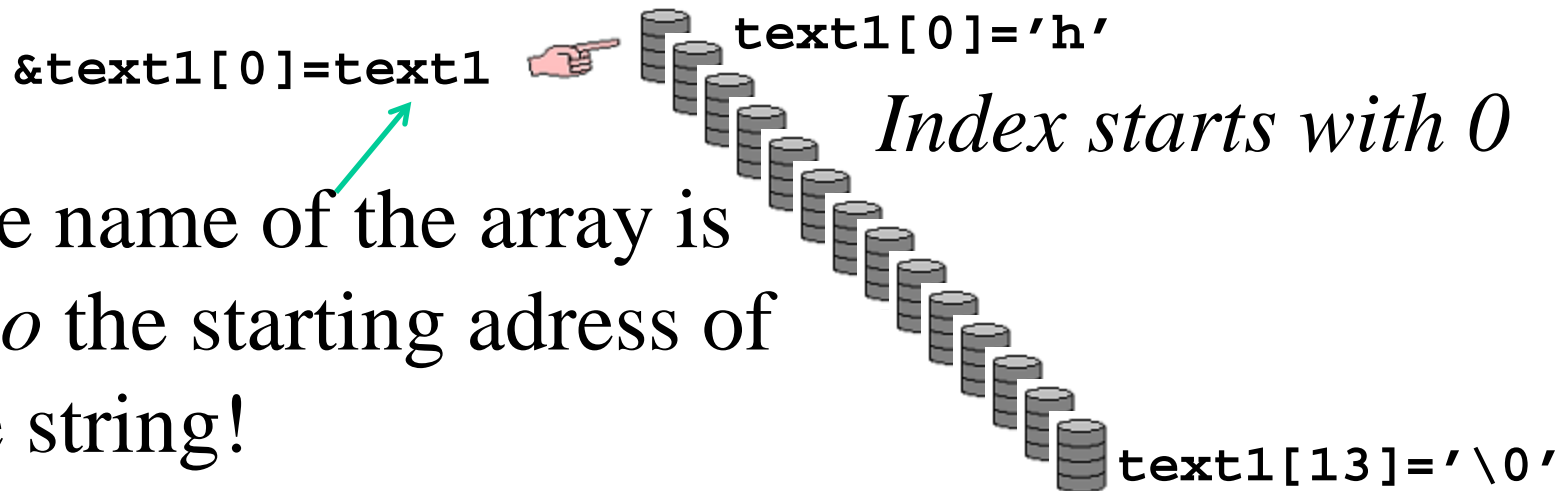
`*c` Dereference operator. That **c** points at. 

`*c = 19;` Number 19 is stored at the place **c** points to.  
Now the content `b = 19`. 

# C-language "strings"

```
const char text1[]="hello world\r\n";
```

A string is a char-array wich ends with '`\0`'



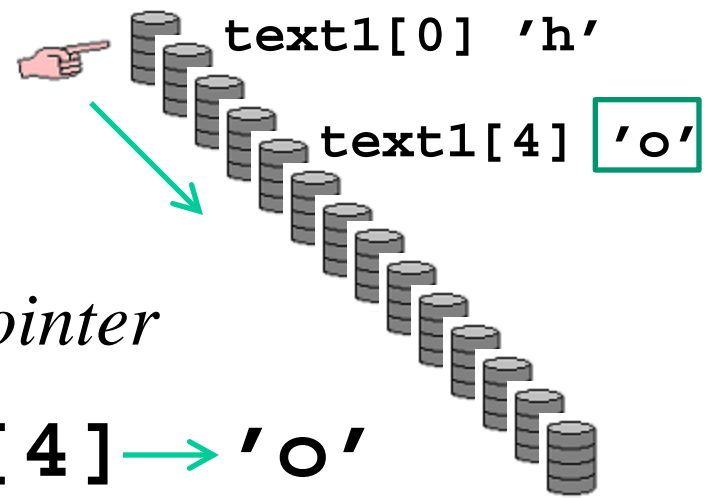
The name of the array is  
*also* the starting address of  
the string!



# Addresses are stored in pointer variables

```
char * a;
```

```
a = &text1[0];
```



*step by index or step with the pointer*

**Dereference with Index:** **a[4]** → 'o'

**Dereference with Pointer:** **\*(a+4)** → 'o'

# Addresses as function parameters

If a function is to print different strings one needs to be able to send the string starting address.

Function declaration:

```
void string_out( const char * );
```



*Place for string start  
address*

# Addresses as function parameters

Function definition:

```
void string_out( const char * s )  
{  
    char i,k;  
    for(i = 0 ; ; i++)  
    {  
        k = s[i];  
        if( k == '\0' ) return;  
        putchar(k);  
    }  
}
```



*Now dereference with  
index*



# Addresses as function parameters

*Function call:*

*send the start address*



```
string_out( &text1[0] );
```

*or like this*

```
string_out( "hello world\r\n" );
```

*With this way of writing the string constant is first stored in memory (as a computed goto-table) but then it's just the "start address" that is passed as a parameter to the function.*

# Not much to point at ?

```
const char text1[]="hello world\r\n";
```

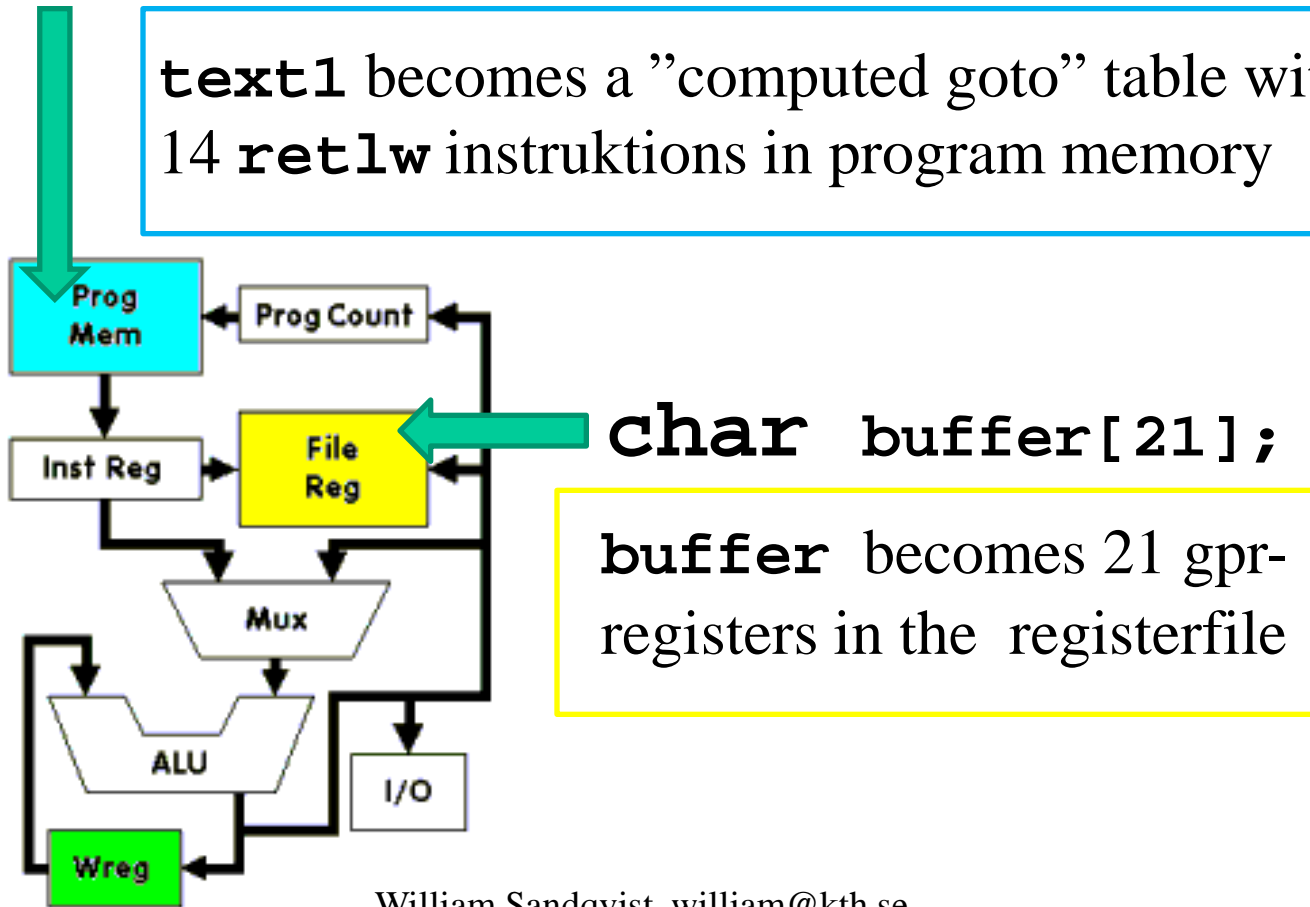
There is not much to point at in a midrange PIC processor. The compiler Cc5x permits, despite this, the use of pointers and some C syntax for pointers.

This is just "for show". Constant strings are stored as "computed goto" in the program memory, and string variables as arrays in register area.

# Not much to point at ?

```
const char text1[]="hello world\r\n";
```

`text1` becomes a "computed goto" table with 14 `retlw` instructions in program memory



# hello.c

```
void main(void)
{
    char i;
    initserial(); /* Initialize serial port */
    string_out("hello world\r\n");
    while(1) nop();
}
```

```
void string_out( const char * s )
{
    char i,k;
    for(i = 0 ; ; i++)
    {
        k = s[i];
        if( k == '\0') return;
        putchar(k);
    }
}
```

# Enter a string

```
char s[11]; /* room for 10 characters and '\0' */
```

```
Call:    string_in( &s[0] );
```

```
void string_in( char * str )
{
    char n, c;
    for(n = 0; ; n++ )
    {
        c = getchar( ); /* input 1 character      */
        str[n] = c;      /* store the character      */
        putchar( c );    /* echo the character      */
        if( (n == 10) || (c == '\r' ) ) /* end of input */
        {
            str[n] = '\0'; /* add "end of string" */
            return;
        }
    }
}
```

`string_in()` enters characters into the buffer `s` until "**enter**" (or max number of characters, **10**).



# comp\_str ( )

```
bit comp_str( char * in_str, const char * ref_str )
{
    char i, c, d;
    for(i=0; ; i++)
    {
        c = in_str[i];
        d = ref_str[i];
        if(d != c ) return 0;          /* no match      */
        if( d == '\0' ) return 1; /* exact match */
    }
}
```

`comp_str ( )` compares content of two strings, if they are equal a bitvariable returns = 1

*Password Control!*

# Formatted print `printf()`

the time is 12 : 34

- *ANSI-C* has function `printf()`

Format string, text with variable positions      Variable list

```
printf("the time is %d : %d\n", hours, minutes);
```

↑      ↑      ↘  
print of integer variables      New line

`%d` print a integer

`%x` print a integer in hexadecimal

`%f` print a float

`\n` newline    `\t` tabulator

ANSI-C

to use `printf()`

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

# `printf()` -lookalike

Standard ANSI-C has input and output functions `printf()` and `scanf()` in standard library `stdio.h`. This is far too broad and complicated functions of a PIC processor. For those who are familiar with C a function that is at least similar to `printf()` would be good to have. Especially when debugging program code.

```
void printf(const char *str, char var);
```

```
printf("Hello World!\n\r", 0);  
printf("Number 234 as unsigned: %u\n\r", 234);  
printf("Number 234 as signed: %d\n\r", 234);  
printf("Number 234 as binary: %b\n\r", 234);  
printf("Print a char: %C\n\r", 'W');
```

*What would printout be?*

# `printf ( )` -lookalike

*This is the printout!*

```
Hello World
Number 234 as unsigned: 234
Number 234 as signed: -022
Number 234 as binary: 11101010
Print a char: W
```

# From binary to ASCII string

Eg. number 123

$s[3] = '\0';$

$s[2] = 123 \% 10 + '0' = '3'$

$123 / 10 = 12$

$s[1] = 12 \% 10 + '0' = '2'$

$12 / 10 = 1$

$s[0] = 1 \% 10 + '0' = '1'$

A conversion algorithm.

After three steps  $s[ ]$  contains the ASCII-characters to print.

$s[ ] = \{ '1', '2', '3', '\0' \}$

```

void printf(const char *str, char var)
{
    char i, k, m, a, b;
    for(i = 0 ; ; i++)
    {
        k = str[i];
        if( k == '\0') break; // at end of string
        if( k == '%') // insert variable in string
        {
            i++;
            k = str[i];
            switch(k)
            {
                case 'd': // %d signed 8bit
                    if( variable.7 ==1) putchar('-');
                    else putchar(' ');
                    if( variable > 127) variable = -variable; // no break!
                case 'u': // %u unsigned 8bit
                    a = variable/100;
                    putchar('0'+a); // print 100's
                    b = variable%100;
                    a = b/10;
                    putchar('0'+a); // print 10's
                    a = b%10;
                    putchar('0'+a); // print 1's
                    break;
                ...
            }
        }
    }
}

```



Conversion into decimal is demanding.

Print binary variables do not take that much resources



...

```
case 'b': // %b BINARY 8bit
    for( m = 0 ; m < 8 ; m++ )
    {
        if (variable.7 == 1) putchar('1');
        else putchar('0');
        variable = rl(variable);
    }
    break;
```

```
case 'c': // %c 'char'
    putchar(variable);
    break;
case '%':
    putchar('%');
    break;
default: // not implemented
    putchar('!');
```

```
    }
}
else putchar(k);
```

```
    }
}
```

In practice, only the conversions you really need is included - everything takes place and takes execution time.

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