

# PIC12F629 / 675 Using Watchdog

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# Watchdog Timer

- provides recovery from a system problem
  - e.g. a program that goes into an endless loop, or a hardware problem that prevents the program from operating correctly
- if the program doesn't reset the watchdog at some predetermined interval, a hardware reset will be initiated
- useful for unattended systems
- running both in normal and sleep mode
  - normal mode – on overflow it initiates RESET
  - sleep mode – on overflow it initiates wake-up
- CLRWDT instruction resets the watchdog timer

# Watchdog period

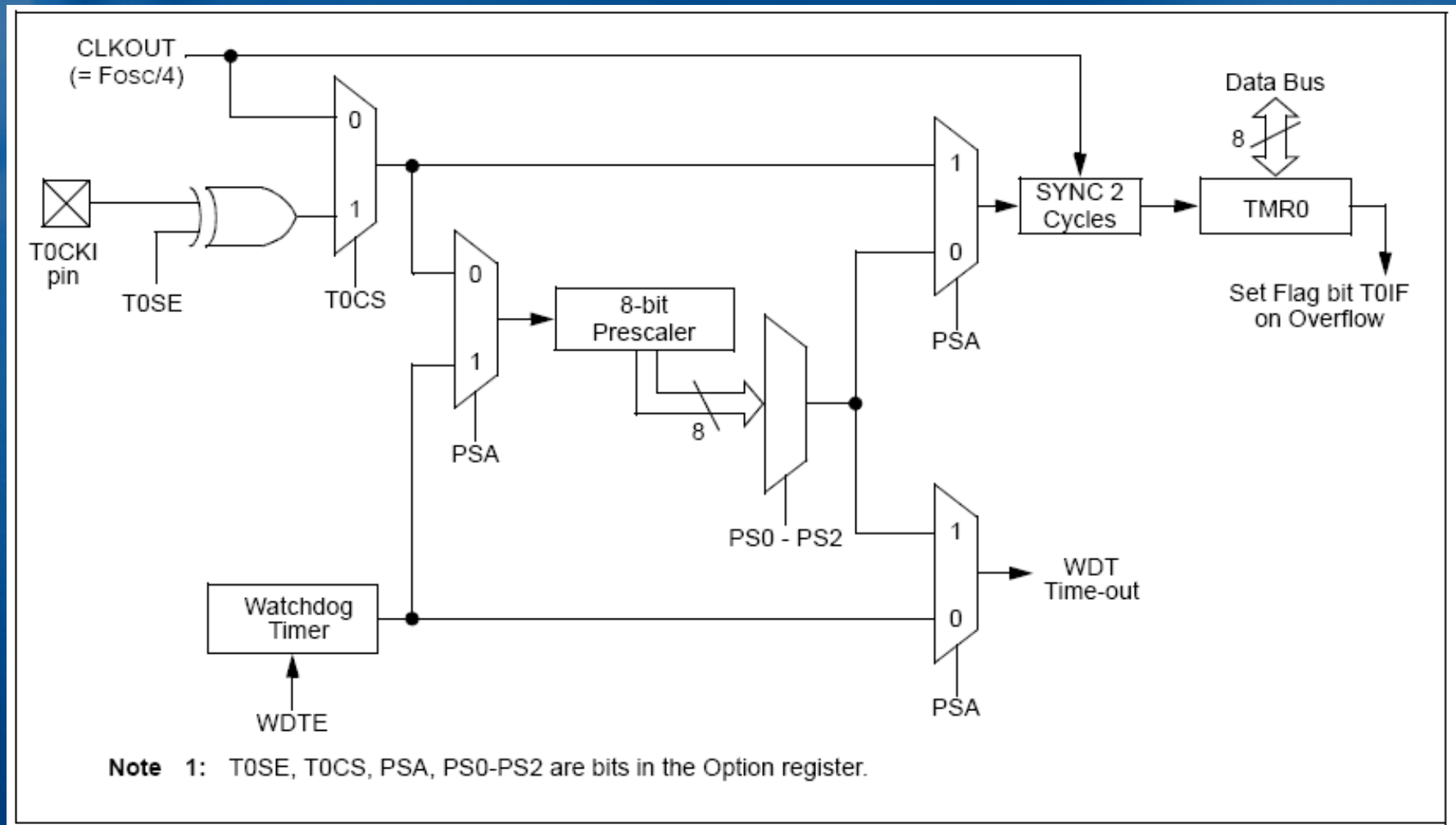
- a nominal time-out period of 18 ms (with no prescaler)
- a division ratio of up to 1:128 can be assigned to the WDT under software control by writing to the OPTION register
  - -> max. period 2,3s
  - CLRWDT and SLEEP instructions clear the timer AND prescaler



# Watchdog Timer in C

- in the header we have to enable or disable watchdog by WDTEN or WDTDIS configuration bits:
  - `__CONFIG(MCLRDIS & WDTEN & INTIO);`
- `CLRWDT()` macro in C resets watchdog

# Watchdog Block Diagram



# Watchdog Registers

**TABLE 9-9: SUMMARY OF WATCHDOG TIMER REGISTERS**

Address	Name	Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0	Value on POR, BOD	Value on all other RESETS
81h	OPTION_REG	$\overline{\text{GPPU}}$	INTEDG	T0CS	T0SE	PSA	PS2	PS1	PS0	1111 1111	1111 1111
2007h	Config. bits	$\overline{\text{CP}}$	BODEN	MCLRE	$\overline{\text{PWRTE}}$	WDTE	F0SC2	F0SC1	F0SC0	uuuu uuuu	uuuu uuuu

Legend: u = Unchanged, shaded cells are not used by the Watchdog Timer.

# Watchdog registers

## REGISTER 2-2: OPTION\_REG — OPTION REGISTER (ADDRESS: 81h)

R/W-1	R/W-1	R/W-1	R/W-1	R/W-1	R/W-1	R/W-1	R/W-1
<u>G</u> PPU	INTE <u>D</u> G	T0CS	T0SE	PSA	PS2	PS1	PS0
bit 7							bit 0

- bit 7 **GPPU:** GPIO Pull-up Enable bit  
 1 = GPIO pull-ups are disabled  
 0 = GPIO pull-ups are enabled by individual port latch values
- bit 6 **INTEDG:** Interrupt Edge Select bit  
 1 = Interrupt on rising edge of GP2/INT pin  
 0 = Interrupt on falling edge of GP2/INT pin
- bit 5 **T0CS:** TMR0 Clock Source Select bit  
 1 = Transition on GP2/T0CKI pin  
 0 = Internal instruction cycle clock (CLKOUT)
- bit 4 **T0SE:** TMR0 Source Edge Select bit  
 1 = Increment on high-to-low transition on GP2/T0CKI pin  
 0 = Increment on low-to-high transition on GP2/T0CKI pin
- bit 3 **PSA:** Prescaler Assignment bit  
 1 = Prescaler is assigned to the WDT  
 0 = Prescaler is assigned to the TIMER0 module
- bit 2-0 **PS2:PS0:** Prescaler Rate Select bits

Bit Value	TMR0 Rate	WDT Rate
000	1 : 2	1 : 1
001	1 : 4	1 : 2
010	1 : 8	1 : 4
011	1 : 16	1 : 8
100	1 : 32	1 : 16
101	1 : 64	1 : 32
110	1 : 128	1 : 64
111	1 : 256	1 : 128