

Lecture 25

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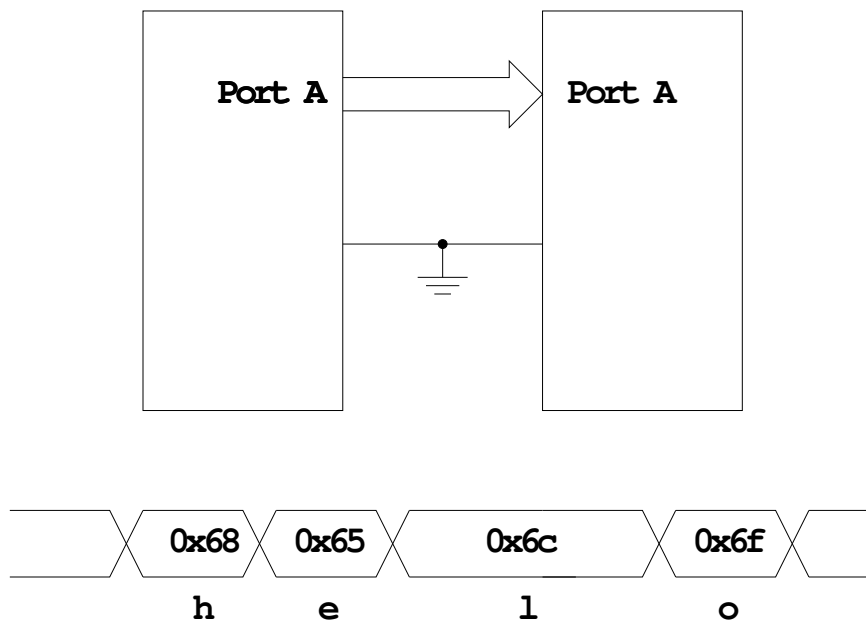
Introduction to Serial Communications

- Parallel Communications
- Parallel Communications with Handshaking
- Serial Communications
 - Asynchronous Serial (e.g., SCI, RS-232)
 - Synchronous Serial (e.g., SPI, IIC)
- The MC9S12 IIC Subsystem
 - Two bidirectional signals lines: Serial Clock (SCL) and Serial Data (SDA)
 - Device which initiates communications is the Master
 - Master controls SCL line.
 - Master talks to one of many possible slaves
 - Each slave has unique 7-bit address
 - Master sends 7-bit address of slave it wants to talk to
 - Master can either send data to slave or receive data from slave
 - If master sends data to slave, master controls both SCL and SDA
 - If master receives data from slave, master controls SCL and slave controls SDA

Parallel Data Transfer

- Suppose you need to transfer data from one HCS12 to another. How can you do this?
- You could connect PORTA of the sending computer (set up as an output port) to PORTA of the receiving computer (set up as an input port).
- The sending computer puts the data on its PORTA, one byte at a time.
- The receiving computer reads the data on its PORTA.
- For example, want to sent the five bytes corresponding to the five characters "hello":

PARALLEL COMMUNICATIONS



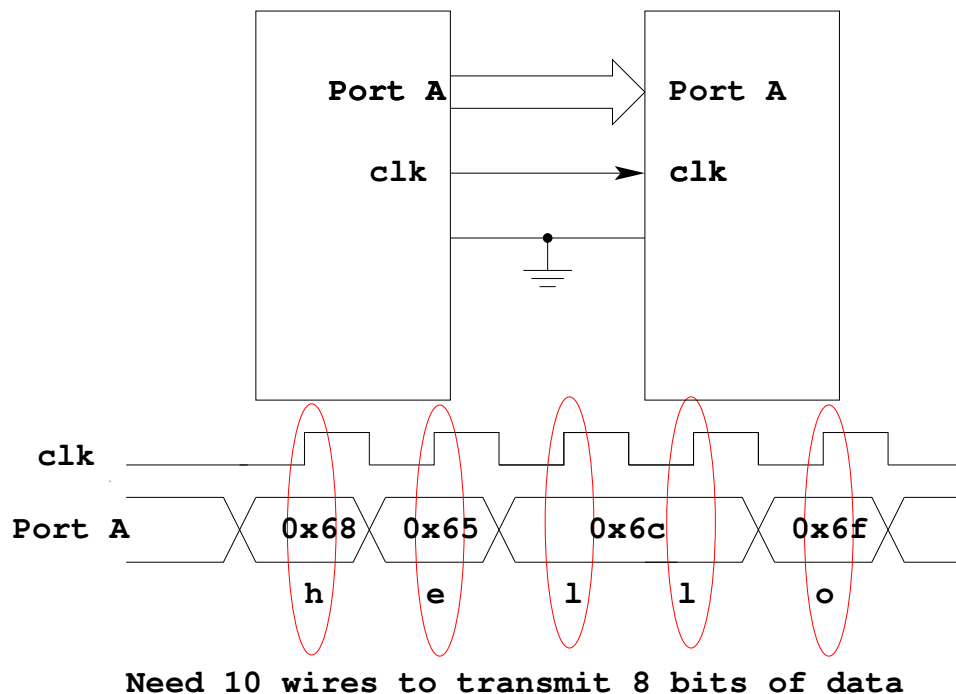
Need 9 wires to transmit 8 bits of data

How can receiver tell when it should read the data?

Parallel Data Transfer

- The sending computer needs to tell the receiving computer when to read the data.
- It can do this with another line used as a clock line.
- On the rising edge of the clock line, the receiving computer should read the data:

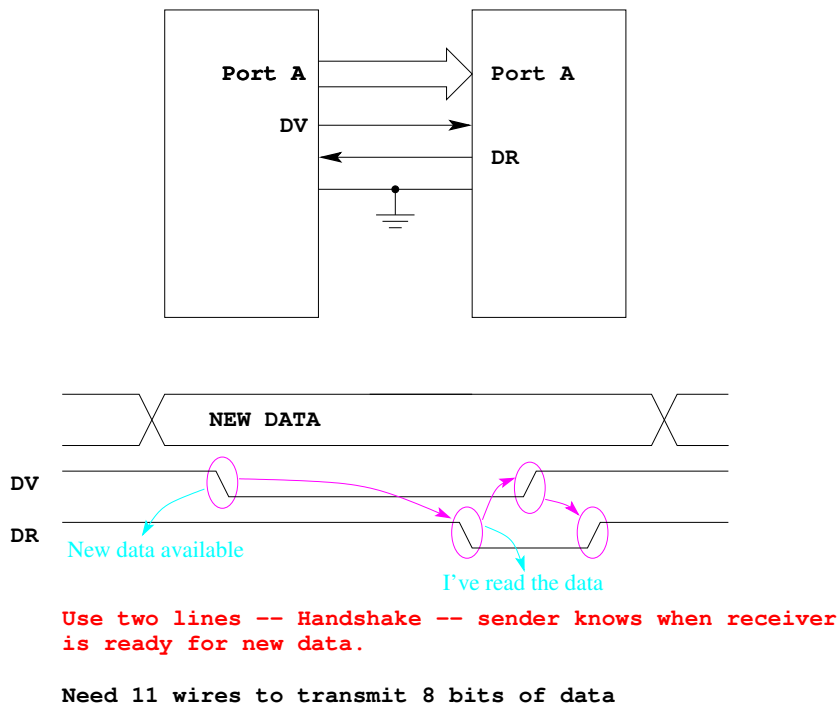
PARALLEL COMMUNICATIONS



Parallel Data Transfer

- How can the sending computer know that the receiving computer has received the data?
- Can use a method called **handshaking**.
 - * The sending computer uses a Data Valid line to tell the receiving computer that the data on the data lines is valid.
 - * The receiving computer uses a Data Received line to tell the sending computer that it has read the current data byte.

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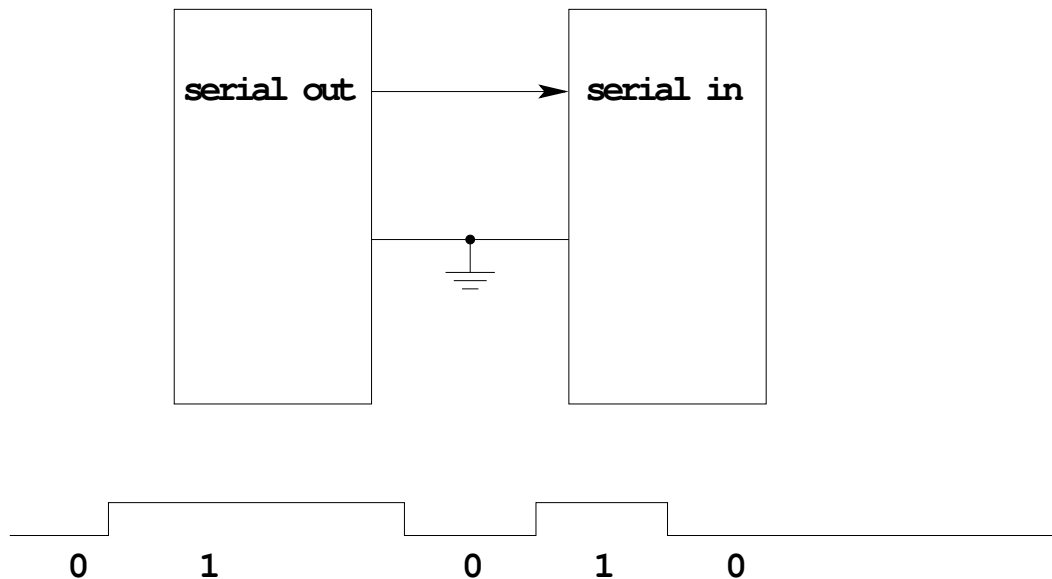


- In the above figure, the sending computer puts the data on the data lines and brings DV low to indicate new data is available.
- When the receiving computer sees the new data is available (DV goes low) it reads the data on the data lines, then brings DR low to say that it has read the data.
- When the sending computer sees the receiving computer has read the data (DR goes low), it brings DV high.
- When the receiving computer sees DV go high, it brings DR high.
- Both computers are now ready for the next data transfer.

Serial Data Transfer

- Using parallel data transfer you can use 10 wires to transfer one byte at a time from one computer to another.
- Using 18 wires, you can transfer two bytes (16 bits) at a time.
- Parallel data transfer is a very fast way to transfer data between two computers.
- There are two problems with parallel data transfer:
 - It takes a lot of wires between the computers.
 - It uses lots of I/O pins on the computers.
- Serial data transfer is a slower transfer mechanism, but it uses fewer wires and fewer I/O pins.
- Serial data transfer sends one bit at a time between two computers:

SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS



`'h' = 0x68 = B"01101000"`

Can't tell how many ones or zeros there are

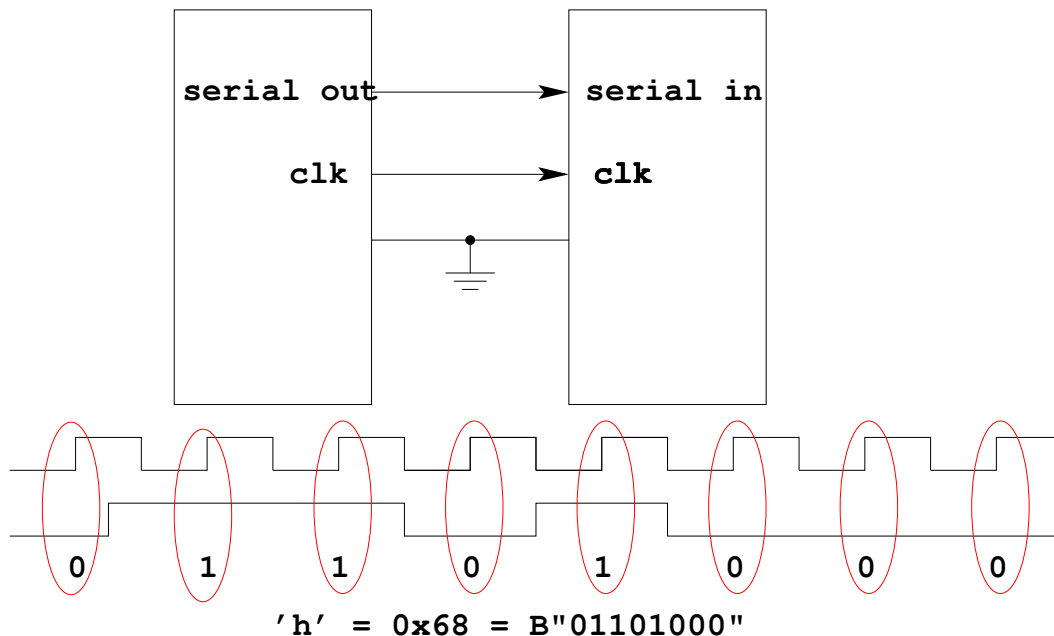
Types of Serial Data Transfer

- Asynchronous serial (no clock between devices; uses internal clocks to synchronize data transfer)
 - RS-232 (typically $\pm 12\text{V}$), RS-485 ($\pm 6\text{V}$)
- Synchronous serial (clock line between devices to synchronize data transfer)
 - SPI (Synchronous Peripheral Interface)
 - IIC or I²C (Inter-Integrated Circuit)
- Differential Serial (Typically $\pm 3\text{ V}$, clock and signal intermixed on same wires)
 - CAN (Controller Area Network)
 - Ethernet
 - USB (Universal Serial Bus)
- LVDS (Low Voltage Differential Signaling) ($\pm 350\text{ mV}$) LVDS is much faster than other methods, and uses much less power, because voltage swing is much smaller.
 - Firewire
 - Serial ATA
 - PCI Express
 - Many others – wave of the future

Synchronous Serial Data Transfer

- To use serial data transfer, you need to have a way for the receiving computer to know when the data bit is valid.
- There are two ways to do this:
 - Asynchronous Serial Data Transfers (e.g., SCI on the HCS12)
 - Synchronous Serial Data Transfers (e.g., SPI on the HCS12)
- For Asynchronous Serial Data Transfer, both sides use an internal clock with approximately the same frequency, and a protocol to allow internal synchronization of the data (to be discussed later).
- Synchronous Serial Data Transfer uses a clock line between the two devices for the sending device to tell the receiving device when each data bit is valid:

SYNCHRONOUS SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS

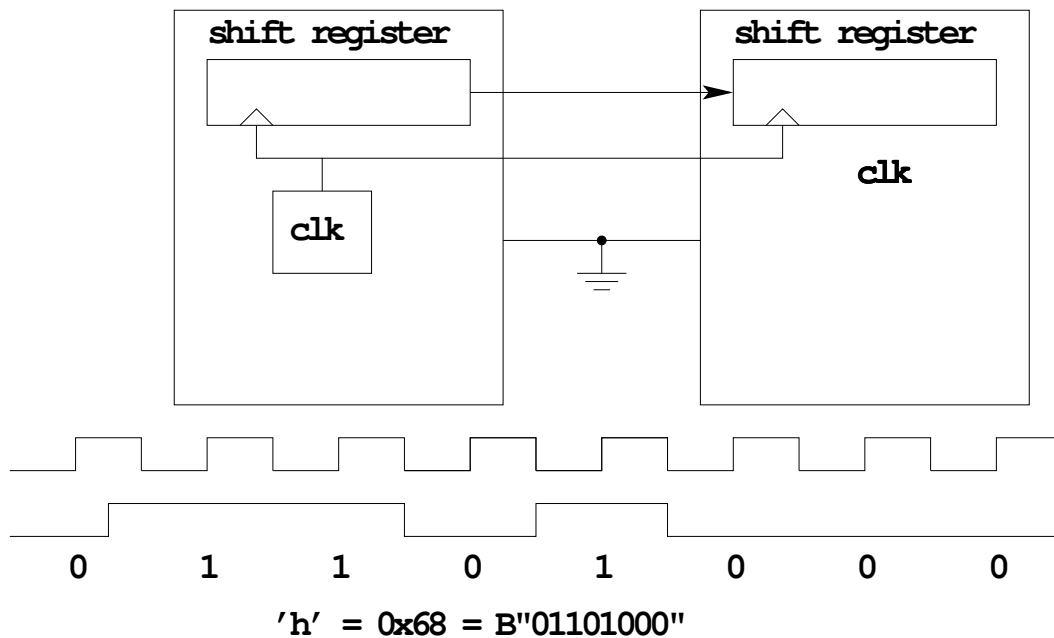


Need 3 wires to transmit 1 bit at a time

Synchronous Serial Data Transfer

- In synchronous serial data transfer, the sending device puts the data byte it wants to send into an internal shift register.
- The sending device uses a clock to shift the 8 data bits out of the shift register onto an external data pin.
- The receiving device puts the data from the sending device on the input of an internal shift register.
- The receiving device uses the clock from the sending device to shift the data into its shift register.
- After 8 clock ticks, the data has been transferred from the sending device to the receiving device.

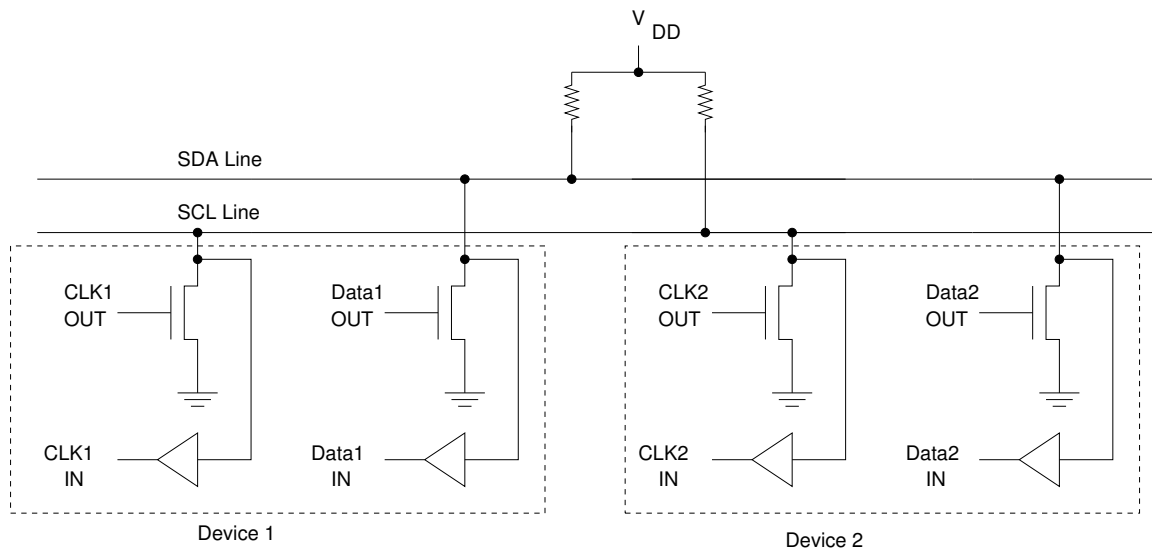
SYNCHRONOUS SERIAL COMMUNICATIONS



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The HCS12 IIC Interface

- The SPI requires three lines (Clock, MISO, MOSI), plus another line to select each device to talk to.
 1. An SPI bus which controls four slaves will require seven lines.
- Another popular synchronous serial interface is the Inter-Integrated Circuit (IIC or I²C) bus
 - The IIC bus can control multiple devices using only two wire
 - The two wires are Clock and Data
 - * The devices connect to the wires using a *wired and* method
 - * The lines are normally high. Any device on the bus can bring them low.
 - Each device on the bus has a unique address
 - An IIC master starts the process by sending out a serial stream with the seven-bit address of the slave it wants to talk to, and an eight bit indicating if it wants to write to the slave or read from the slave
 - If it writes to the slave, it will continue send data on the serial data line (toggling the clock on each data bit) until all the data is sent.
 - If it reads from the slave, it will release the data line, but retain control of the clock line. The slave takes over the data line, and sends out its data in response to the clock provided by the master.
 - After all the data is transfered, the master releases both the clock and the data lines



The IIC Interface

- Normally, both SDA and SCL are high.
- When the master wants to talk to a slave, it brings SDA low (the Start condition). This gives the master control of the bus
- The master sends eight bits of data on the SDA bus, and toggles the SCL bus for each bit. The eight bits are the seven-bit address of the slave, and one bit for read-write – a low indicates a write, and a high indicates a read. After the eighth data bit, the master releases the SDA line.
- The master sends a ninth clock pulse. The addressed slave responds with an acknowledge by bringing SDA low.
- If the master is writing data to the slave, it continues controlling both SDA and SCL. It sends eight bits of data, releases SDA, and waits for an acknowledge from the slave
- If the master is reading data from the slave, it controls the SCL line and the slave controls the SDA line. The master sends eight clock pulses on the SCL line, and the slave transfers one bit of data on each clock pulse. At the end of the eight bits, the master takes over the SDA bus and sends an acknowledge on all but the last byte it wants. After the last byte, the master sends a NACK (leaves SDA high).
- After the transfer is complete, the master sends a Stop condition to indicate that it is releasing the bus. The Stop condition is indicated by bringing SDA high while SCL is high.

