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Preface

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

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For the most up-to-date information on development tools, see the MPLAB® IDE online help. Select the Help menu, and then Topics to open a list of available online help files.

INTRODUCTION

This chapter contains general information that will be useful to know before using the PIC32MX. Items discussed in this chapter include:

- Document Layout
- Conventions Used in this Guide
- Recommended Reading
- The Microchip Web Site
- Development Systems Customer Change Notification Service
- Customer Support
- Document Revision History

DOCUMENT LAYOUT

This document describes how to use the PIC32MX Starter Kit as a development tool to emulate and debug firmware on a target board. The manual is composed of the following chapters:

- **Chapter 1. “Introducing the PIC32MX Starter Kit”** provides a brief overview of the PIC32MX Starter Kit, highlighting its features and uses.
- **Chapter 2. “PIC32MX Starter Kit Tutorial”** provides step-by-step instructions for installing the PIC32MX and using the Microchip MPLAB® IDE to build and run the tutorial program on the PIC32MX Starter Kit.
- **Chapter 3. “Create a New Project”** provides step-by-step instructions for creating a new project using the MPLAB IDE and loading it onto the PIC32MX Starter Kit.
- **Chapter 4. “PIC32MX Starter Kit Hardware”** provides a more detailed description of the features of the hardware included in the PIC32MX Starter Kit.
- **Appendix A. “PIC32MX Starter Kit Schematics”** provides a block diagram and detailed schematics of the PIC32MX Starter Kit.

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CONVENTIONS USED IN THIS GUIDE

This manual uses the following documentation conventions:

DOCUMENTATION CONVENTIONS

Description	Represents	Examples
Arial font:		
Italic characters	Referenced books	<i>MPLAB[®] IDE User's Guide</i>
	Emphasized text	...is the <i>only</i> compiler...
Initial caps	A window	the Output window
	A dialog	the Settings dialog
	A menu selection	select Enable Programmer
Quotes	A field name in a window or dialog	"Save project before build"
Underlined, italic text with right angle bracket	A menu path	<u><i>File>Save</i></u>
Bold characters	A dialog button	Click OK
	A tab	Click the Power tab
Text in angle brackets < >	A key on the keyboard	Press <Enter>, <F1>
Courier New font:		
Plain Courier New	Sample source code	<code>#define START</code>
	Filenames	<code>autoexec.bat</code>
	File paths	<code>c:\mcc18\h</code>
	Keywords	<code>_asm, _endasm, static</code>
	Command-line options	<code>-Opa+, -Opa-</code>
	Bit values	<code>0, 1</code>
	Constants (in source code)	<code>0xFF, 'A'</code>
Italic Courier New	A variable argument	<code>file.o</code> , where <code>file</code> can be any valid filename
Square brackets []	Optional arguments	<code>mcc18 [options] file [options]</code>
Curly brackets and pipe character: { }	Choice of mutually exclusive arguments; an OR selection	<code>errorlevel {0 1}</code>
Ellipses...	Replaces repeated text	<code>var_name [, var_name...]</code>
	Represents code supplied by user	<code>void main (void) { ... }</code>

RECOMMENDED READING

This user's guide describes how to use the PIC32MX Starter Kit.

The following Microchip documents are available and recommended as supplemental reference resources.

Release Notes for PIC32MX Starter Kit

For the latest information on the PIC32MX Starter Kit, open `PIC32MX Starter Kit Release Notes.htm` located in either the root directory of the PIC32MX Starter Kit CD or (default):

`c:\Microchip Starter Kits\PIC32 Starter Kits\documentation`

The file generally contains the most current update information, as well as any issues that may not have been available when this user's guide was published.

PIC32MX Data Sheet (DS61143)

Consult this document for detailed information on the PIC32MX general purpose, 32-bit devices. Reference information found in this data sheet includes:

- Device memory map
- Device pinout and packaging details
- Device electrical specifications
- List of peripherals included on the device

MPLAB® C Compiler for PIC32 User's Guide (DS51686)

This document, formerly the MPLAB C32 C Compiler for PIC32 User's Guide, details the use of Microchip's MPLAB C Compiler for PIC32 to an develop application.

MPLAB® IDE User's Guide (DS51519)

Consult this document for more information pertaining to the installation and implementation of the MPLAB IDE software, as well as the MPLAB Editor and MPLAB SIM Simulator software that are included with it.

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- **Emulators** – The latest information on Microchip in-circuit emulators. This includes the MPLAB REAL ICE™ and MPLAB ICE 2000 in-circuit emulators.
- **In-Circuit Debuggers** – The latest information on the Microchip in-circuit debuggers. This includes the MPLAB ICD 2 and PICKit™ 2.
- **MPLAB® IDE** – The latest information on Microchip MPLAB IDE, the Windows® Integrated Development Environment for development systems tools. This list is focused on the MPLAB IDE, MPLAB IDE Project Manager, MPLAB Editor and MPLAB SIM simulator, as well as general editing and debugging features.
- **Programmers** – The latest information on Microchip programmers. These include the MPLAB PM3 device programmer and the PICSTART® Plus, PICKit™ 1 and PICKit 2 development programmers.

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- Distributor or Representative
- Local Sales Office
- Field Application Engineer (FAE)
- Technical Support
- Development Systems Information Line

Customers should contact their distributor, representative or FAE for support. Local sales offices are also available to help customers. A list of sales offices and locations is included in the back of this document.

Technical support is available through the web site <http://support.microchip.com>.

DOCUMENT REVISION HISTORY

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This is the initial release of the PIC32MX Starter Kit User's Guide.

Revision B (October 2007)

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Updated the instructions in **Section 3.3.2 “Task 2, Select the Language Toolsuite”**.

Added connector table in **Section Table 4-1: “Starter Board Connector Part Numbers”**.

Revision D (February 2009)

Updated directory names and associated figures.

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Chapter 1. Introducing the PIC32MX Starter Kit

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Microchip Technology PIC32MX Starter Kit. This kit provides a low-cost, modular development system for Microchip's new line of 32-bit microcontrollers.

The starter kit comes pre-loaded with demonstration software for the user to explore the new features of the PIC32MX. It is also expandable through a modular expansion interface, which allows the user to extend its functionality. The PIC32MX Starter Kit also supplies on-board circuitry for full debug and programming capabilities.

1.2 HIGHLIGHTS

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Kit Contents
- PIC32MX Functionality and Features
- Installing the PIC32MX Starter Kit CD
- Using the PIC32MX Starter Kit Out of the Box
- PIC32MX Demonstration Program

The preprogrammed example code on the PIC32MX MCU has been included on the PIC32MX Starter Kit CD-ROM for future reference. All project files have been included, so that the code may be used directly to restore the PIC32MX MCU on the starter kit to its original state (i.e., if the sample device has been reprogrammed with another program), or so you can use the tutorial code as a platform for further experimentation.

1.3 KIT CONTENTS

The PIC32MX Starter Kit contains the following items:

- PIC32MX Starter Kit Board
- USB Mini-B cable
- PIC32 Starter Kit Installation CD-ROM, which includes:
 - *PIC32MX Starter Kit User's Guide* (DS61144)
 - *PIC32MX Family Data Sheet* (DS61143)
 - *PIC32MX Family Reference Manual* (DS61132)
 - *PIC32MX Peripheral Library Manual*
 - Code examples for use with the PIC32MX devices

If you are missing any part of the kit, contact a Microchip sales office for assistance. A list of Microchip offices for sales and service is provided on page 44.

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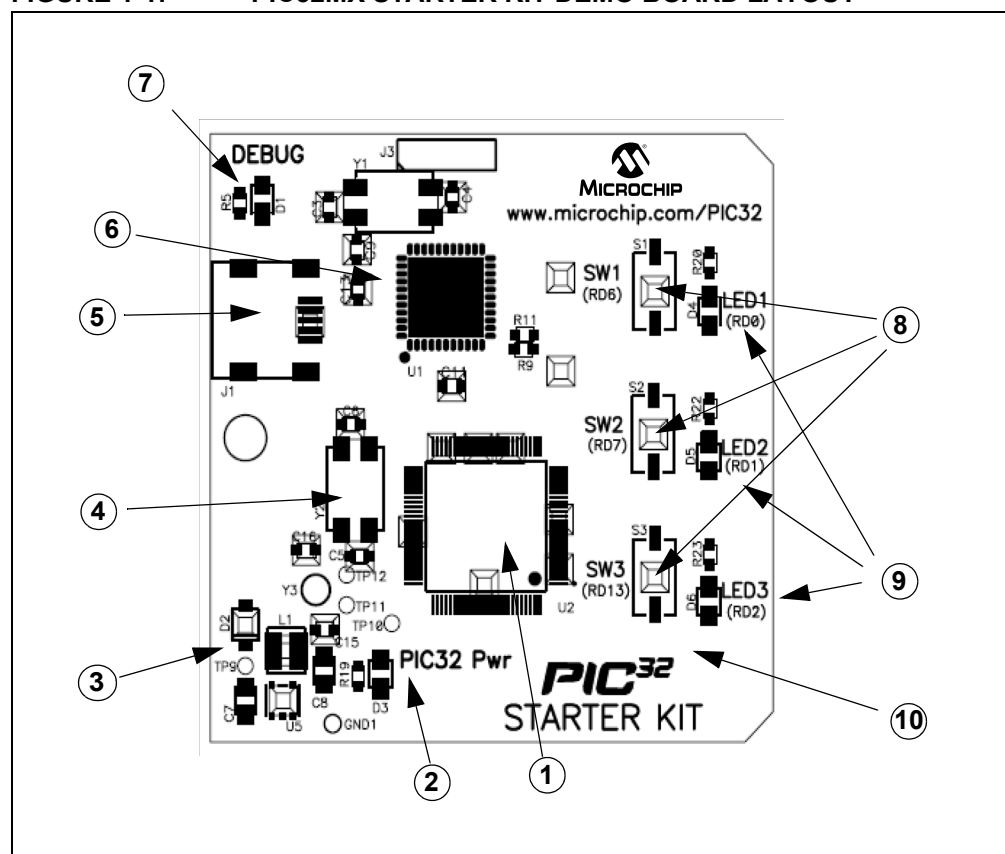
1.4 PIC32MX FUNCTIONALITY AND FEATURES

A representation of the layout of the PIC32MX Starter Kit is shown in Figure 1-1. The board includes these key features, as indicated in the diagram:

1. PIC32MX360F512L 32-bit microcontroller
2. Green power-indicator LED
3. Regulated +3.3V power supply for powering the starter kit board via USB or expansion board
4. On-board crystal for precision microcontroller clocking (8 MHz)
5. USB connectivity for on-board debugger communications
6. PIC18LF4550 USB microcontroller for on-board debugging
7. Orange Debug indicator LED
8. Three push-button switches for user-defined inputs
9. Three user-defined indicator LEDs
10. Connector for connecting various expansion boards (on the underside of board)

For details on these features, refer to **Chapter 4. "PIC32MX Starter Kit Hardware"**.

FIGURE 1-1: PIC32MX STARTER KIT DEMO BOARD LAYOUT



1.5 INSTALLING THE PIC32MX STARTER KIT CD

The default PIC32MX Starter Kit installation directory is:

```
c:\Microchip Starter Kits\PIC32 Starter Kits
```

Note, throughout this document, the following phrase “[install directory]” refers to this default installation, `c:\Microchip Starter Kits`, or a directory selected by the user during the time of installation.

The starter kit CD-ROM contains the MPLAB IDE, MPLAB C32 C Compiler tools, code examples, sample projects, technical documentation, a getting started tutorial, and this *PIC32MX Starter Kit User's Guide*. When the CD is placed into your CD drive, an automatic installation application will guide you to install the tools and relevant documents.

1.6 USING THE PIC32MX STARTER KIT OUT OF THE BOX

The PIC32MX Starter Kit may be used directly from the box as a demonstration board for the PIC32MX device. The PIC32MX is preprogrammed with the classic “Simon Says” game (`simon_says_demo.hex`) in the PIC32MX360F512L device and is ready for immediate use.

1.6.1 How to Play the Game

When the USB cable is plugged into the starter kit, the three LEDs start blinking to indicate the start of a new game. Begin the game by pressing one of the switches, SW1-SW3, to choose the level of game difficulty. SW3 is the easiest, SW1 is the hardest. The goal is to imitate the light patterns as long as you can, without getting frazzled. Ultimately, you will make a mistake and all of the LEDs will light up to signal the end of a game. After a brief pause, you can press a switch again to start a new game.

If the starter kit is connected to the MPLAB IDE, the game stops. It will be replaced by the MPLAB IDE project that you select when the program button is pressed. The game can be reloaded onto the starter kit by opening `simon_says_demo.mcw` from the following directory:

```
[install directory]\PIC32 Starter Kits\simon_says_demo
```

1.7 PIC32MX DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

The preprogrammed example code on the PIC32MX has been included as part of the PIC32MX Starter Kit installation. All project files have been included, so that the code may be used directly to restore a PIC32MX to its original state (i.e., if the sample device has been reprogrammed with another program) or so you can use the tutorial code as a platform for further experimentation.

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Chapter 2. PIC32MX Starter Kit Tutorial

2.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter is a self-paced tutorial to get you started using the PIC32MX Starter Kit.

2.2 HIGHLIGHTS

Items discussed in this chapter include:

- Host Computer Requirements
- Installing the Starter Kit Board
- Starting with the Tutorial Project
- Building the Project
- Programming the Device
- Running the Program
- Operation of the Tutorial Program

2.3 HOST COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS

To communicate with and program the starter kit board, the following hardware and software requirements must be met:

- PC-compatible system
- An available USB port on PC or powered USB hub
- CD-ROM drive
- Microsoft Windows XP®
(The PIC32MX Starter Kit has not been tested on Windows NT®, Windows 2000® or Microsoft Vista™ operating systems)

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2.4 INSTALLING THE STARTER KIT BOARD

As a USB device, the starter kit board requires very little effort to install; most of the work is done by the operating system. Begin by closing all applications.

2.4.1 Install the Tools and Projects

1. Insert the PIC32 Starter Kit CD into your CD-ROM drive and click the install from CD menu option. If the installation application does not automatically start, navigate to the files on the CD and open `setup.exe`.

The following window is displayed:

FIGURE 2-1: INSTALLING THE PIC32 STARTER KIT BOARD



2. Reboot your system when prompted to do so.

Note: The dialog also provides an option to check the Microchip web site for newer versions of the starter kit software.

2.4.2 View the Getting Started Tutorial

Perform the following steps to view the tutorial:

1. After your computer has rebooted, the Getting Started Tutorial menu opens.
2. View the tutorial instructions for connecting to the starter kit board and running the tutorial project.

If you performed the installation steps as you followed along in the Getting Started tutorial, skip to **Section 2.5 “Starting the Tutorial Project”** on page 16.

If you did not, continue to the next page for instructions about how to connect the board and install the device driver.

2.4.3 Connect the Starter Kit Board

Using the supplied USB cable, connect the board to an open USB port on your computer. (A USB hub that is *not bus-powered* can also be used.) Connect the other end of the cable into the USB connector on the starter kit board.

Check the board: the green power LED D3 should be lit. If it is not, check the connections at the port, hub, and board.

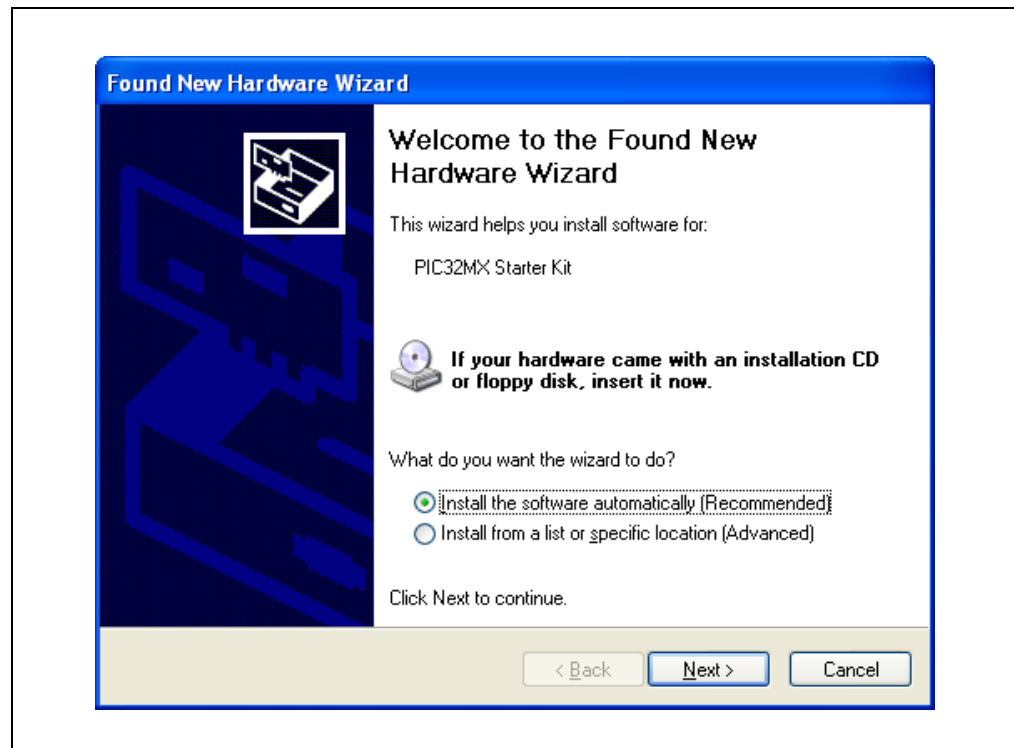
2.4.4 Install the USB Device Driver

Note: The USB driver installation steps described here refer specifically to installing the driver on a Microsoft Windows XP operating system.

Perform the following steps to install the USB device driver:

1. When the USB cable is connected, the “Found New Hardware Wizard” dialog box opens, as shown in Figure 2-2. When asked whether to install the software automatically or install from a list or specific location, select “Install software automatically” and click **Next**.

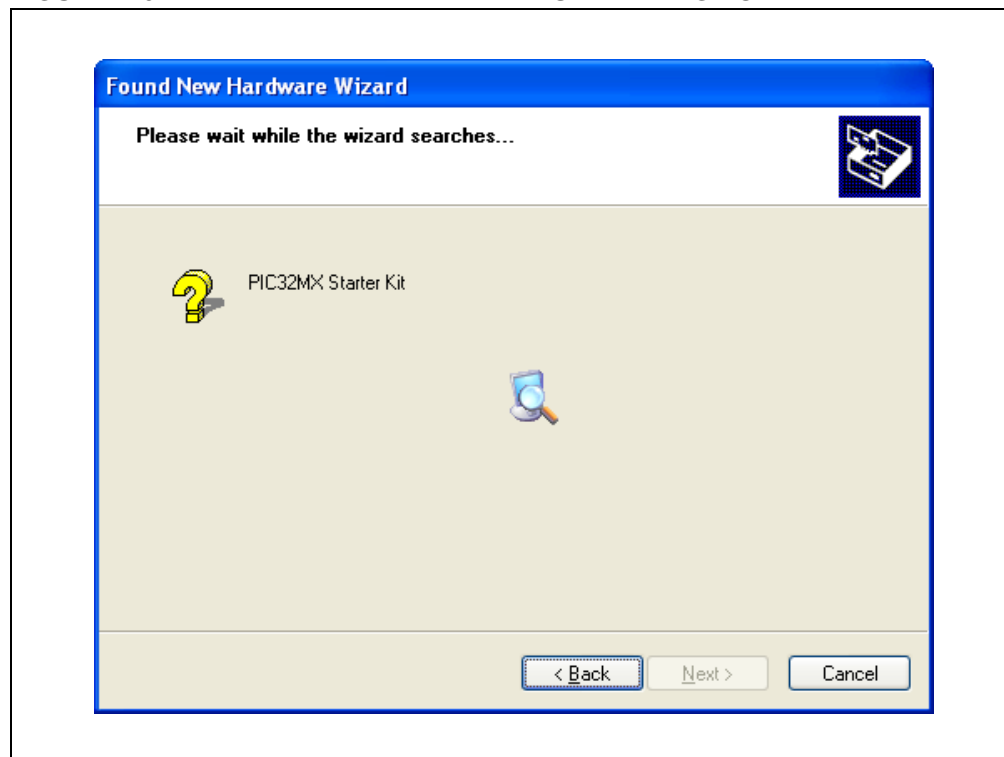
FIGURE 2-2: FOUND NEW HARDWARE WIZARD



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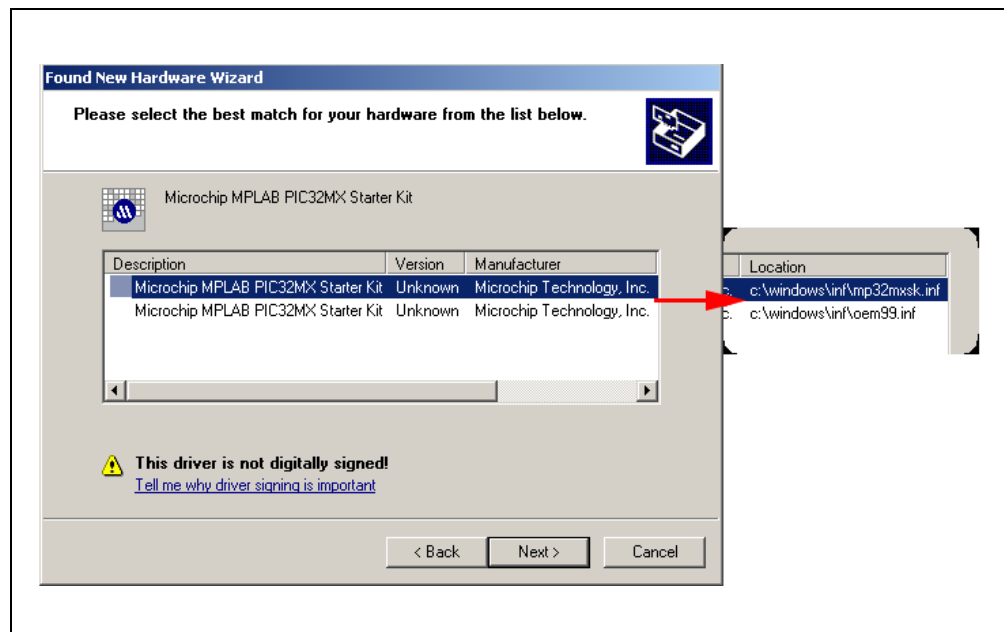
2. As shown in Figure 2-3, the next dialog box tracks the wizard as it searches for the device. (This activity may take several seconds.) When it is done, click **Next**.

FIGURE 2-3: HARDWARE WIZARD – SEARCHING FOR DEVICE



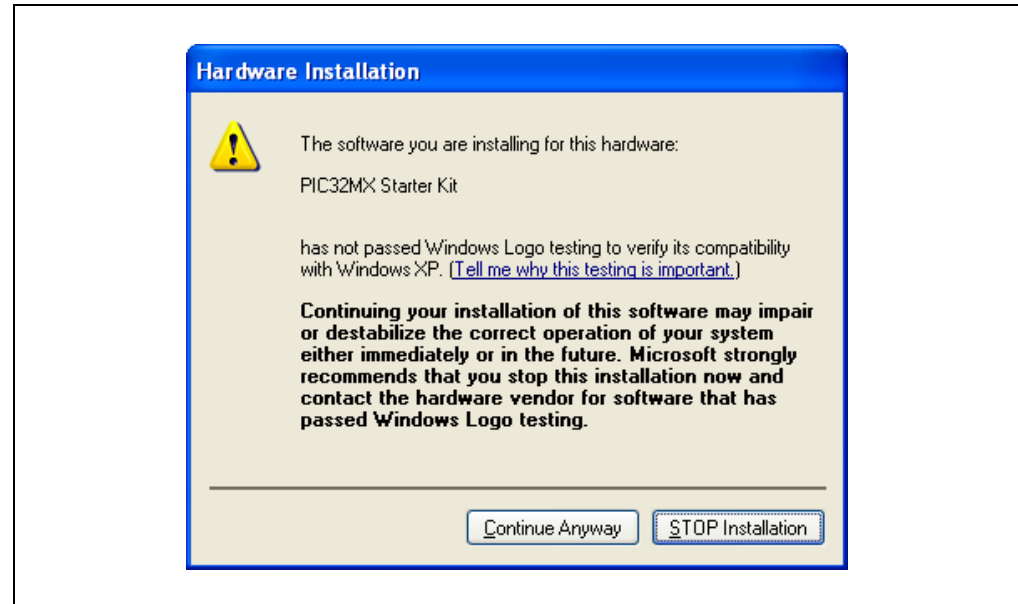
3. If prompted to select a driver, select `mp32mxsk.inf`, as shown in Figure 2-4. Click **Next** to continue.

FIGURE 2-4: HARDWARE WIZARD – SELECTING THE DRIVER



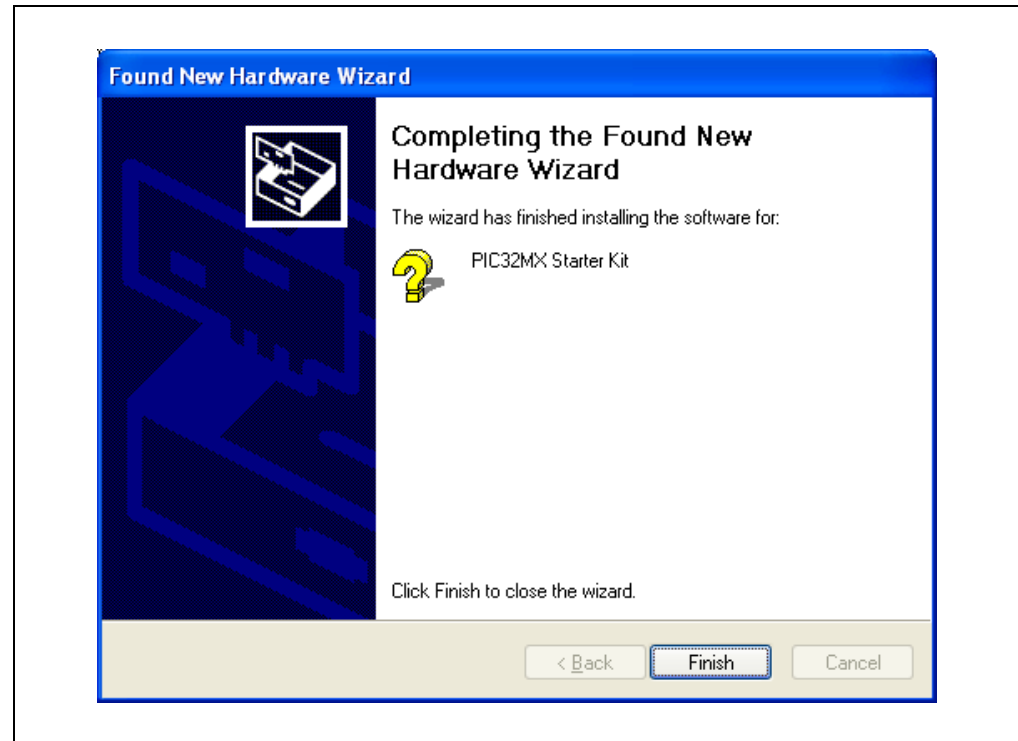
4. If prompted with a dialog box for Windows Logo testing, as shown in Figure 2-5, click **Continue Anyway**.

FIGURE 2-5: WINDOWS LOGO TESTING



5. The next window (Figure 2-6) indicates that the installation of the software for the starter kit is complete. Click **Finish**.

FIGURE 2-6: COMPLETING DEVICE DRIVER INSTALLATION



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2.5 STARTING THE TUTORIAL PROJECT

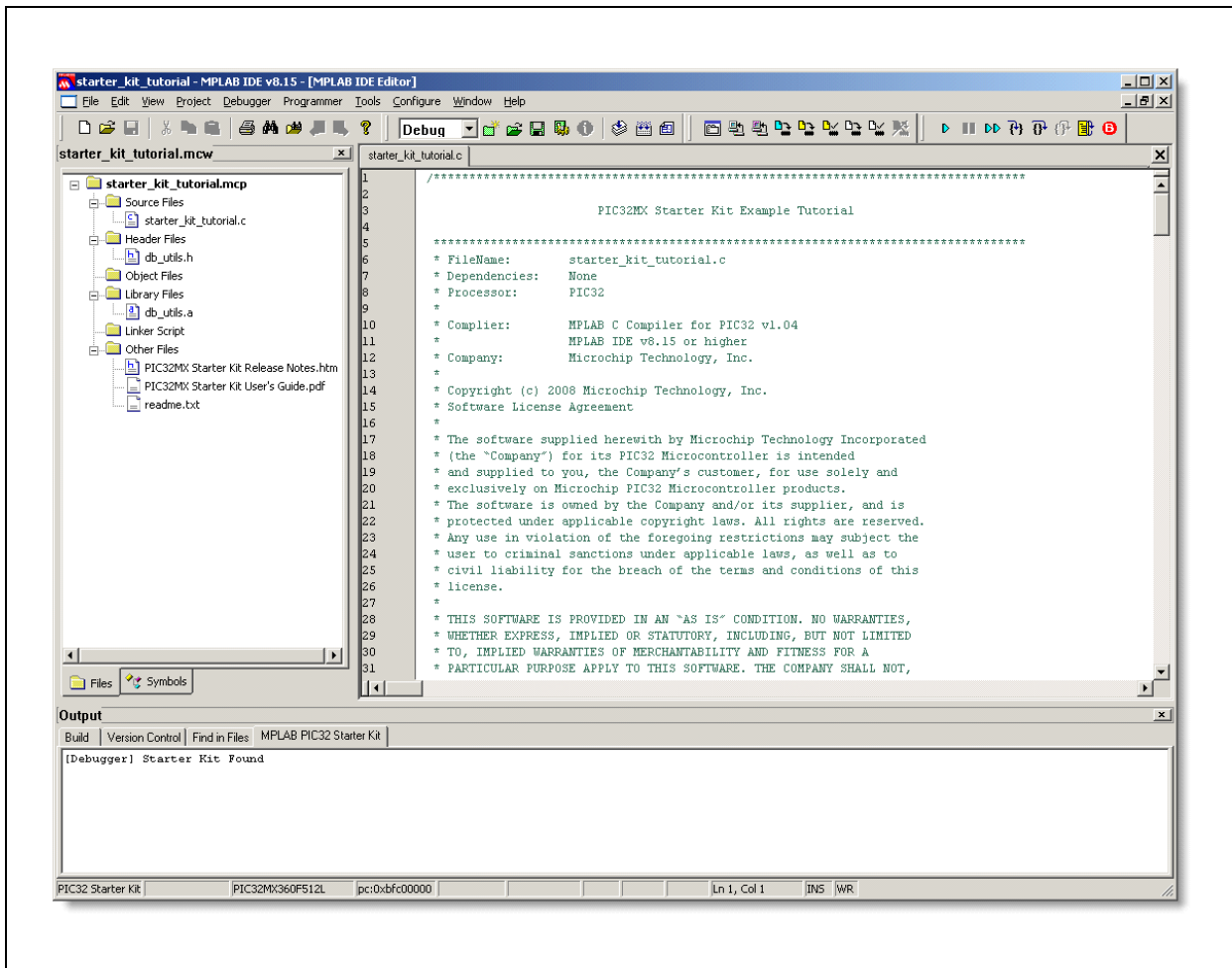
Click the MPLAB IDE icon on your computer desktop. The MPLAB IDE opens with the starter kit tutorial project loaded, as shown in Figure 2-7. If the MPLAB IDE does not have the starter kit tutorial project loaded, select **File>Open Workspace...** from the menu bar and browse to the tutorial project file:

```
[install directory]\PIC32 Starter Kits\  
Starter_Kit_Tutorial\starter_kit_tutorial.mcw  
(or browse to the file path you used when you installed the MPLAB IDE).
```

The pane on the left of the MPLAB IDE interface displays project files, the '.c', '.h' and '.a' files that are used to build an application. The project files are organized by type into folders.

"Starter Kit Found" should be displayed in the "Output" pane of the MPLAB IDE interface. If you do not see this message, select **Debugger>Select Tool>PIC32MX Starter Kit** from the menu bar. If that sequence fails to find the project, check the driver installation, as well as the connections between the hardware and the PC.

FIGURE 2-7: MPLAB® IDE WORKSPACE

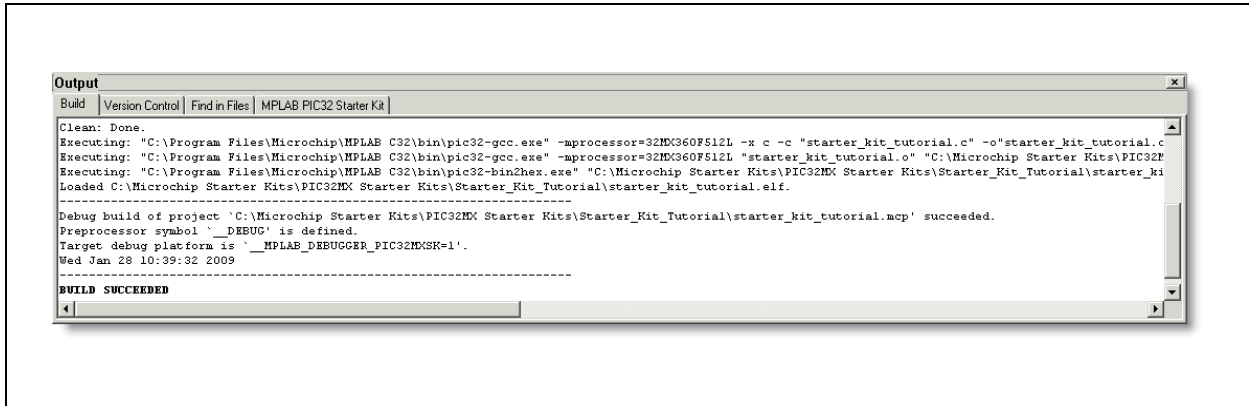


2.6 BUILDING THE PROJECT

From the menu bar of the main MPLAB IDE window, click *Project>Make*. The build Output window displays, as shown in Figure 2-8.

Observe the progress of the build. When the “BUILD SUCCEEDED” message displays, you are ready to program the device.

FIGURE 2-8: BUILD OUTPUT WINDOW

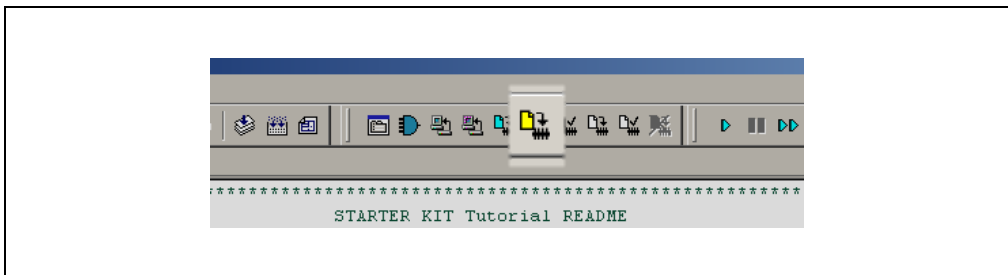


2.7 PROGRAMMING THE DEVICE

2.7.1 Program the Device

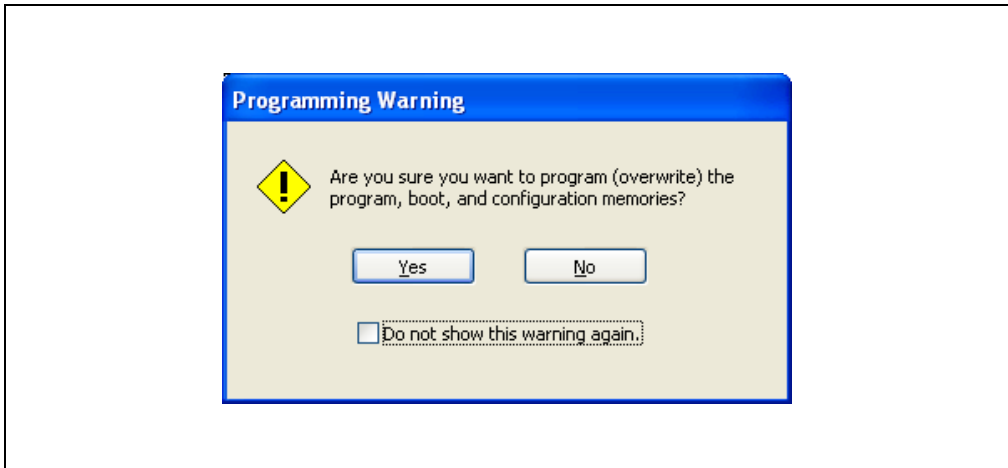
Click on the Program All Memories icon on the Program Device Tool Bar, as shown in Figure 2-9).

FIGURE 2-9: PROGRAM DEVICE TOOL BAR



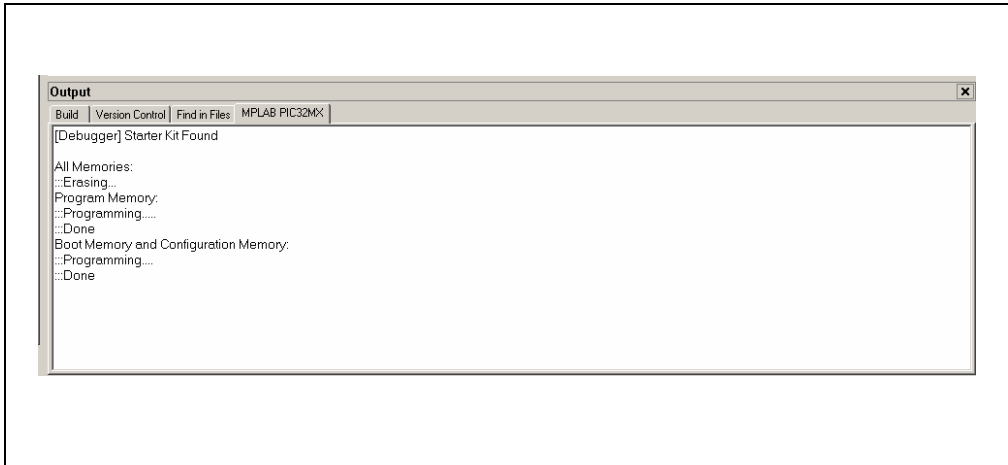
A Programming Warning window (Figure 2-10) opens to warn you about overwriting the memory. Click **Yes**.

FIGURE 2-10: PROGRAMMING WARNING WINDOW



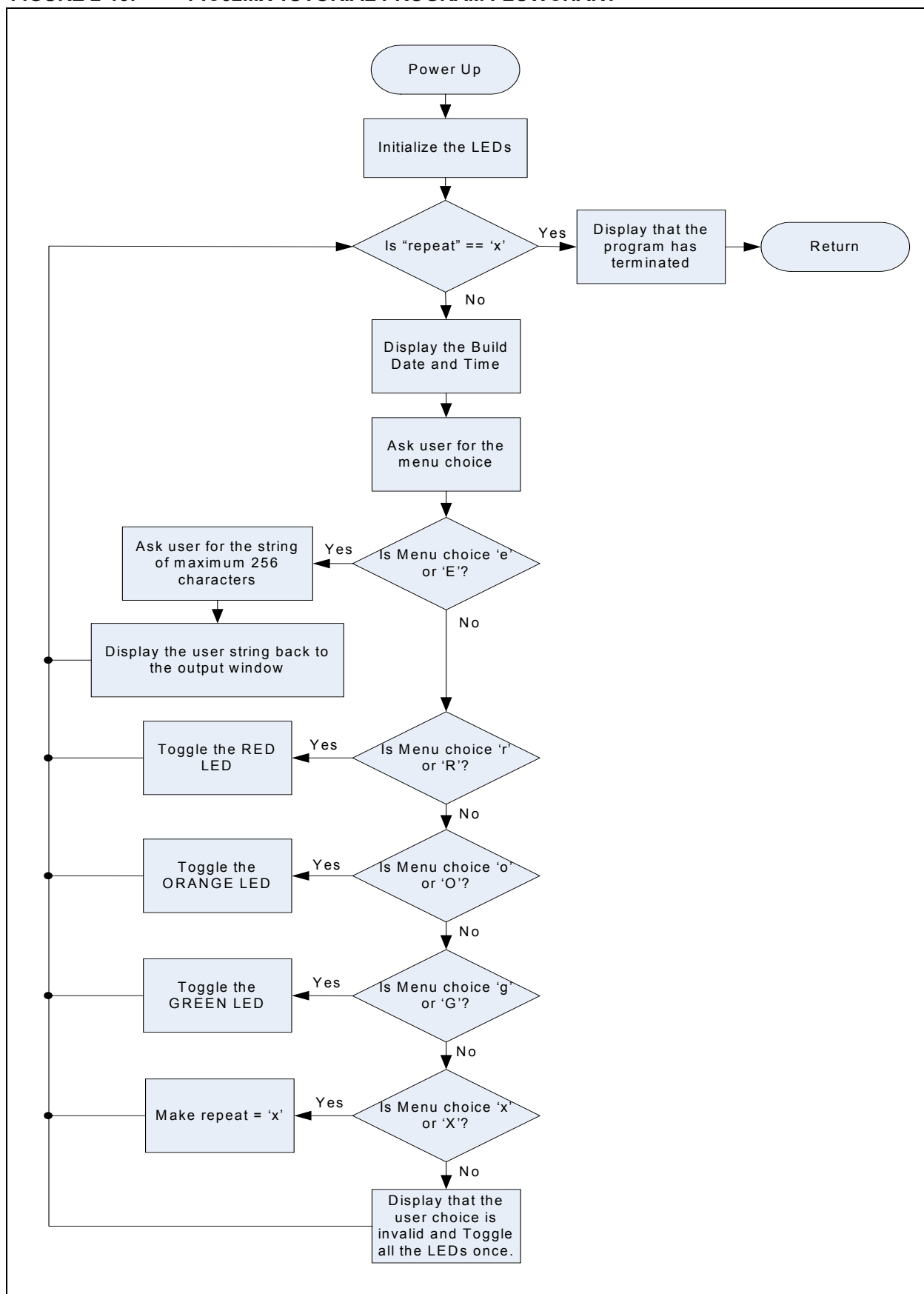
The Output window (Figure 2-11) tracks the progress of the output. A "Done" entry indicates that the programming of the device is complete.

FIGURE 2-11: OUTPUT WINDOW



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FIGURE 2-13: PIC32MX TUTORIAL PROGRAM FLOWCHART

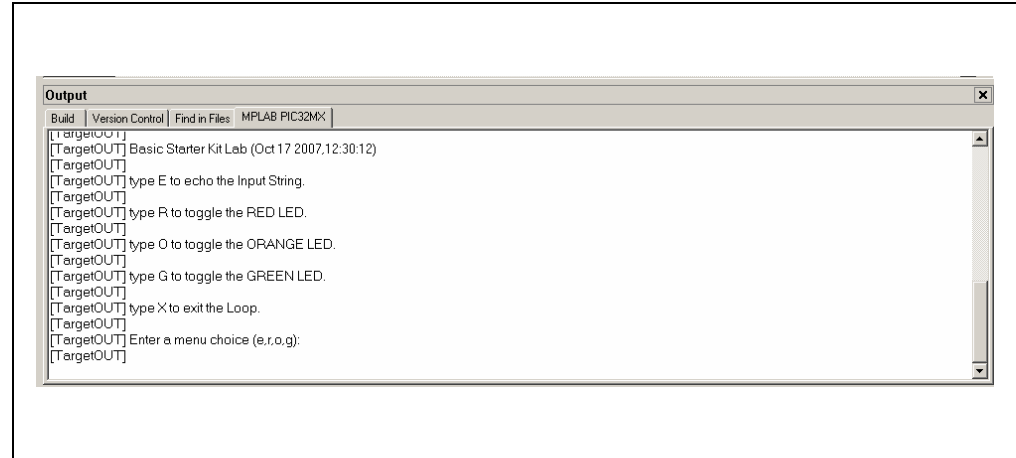


The tutorial program includes the Debug Print Library, which facilitates print functionality. A peripheral library header file for flashing the LEDs is also included. The header file for print functionality is `db_utils.h`.

Depending on the macro definition given in the print header file, the debug print macros will be expanded. The print functionality in the tutorial is routed to the Output window on the **MPLAB PIC32MX** tab in the interface window. In order to achieve this, the macro definition "PIC32_STARTER_KIT" is added to the MPLAB C Compiler for PIC32 options.

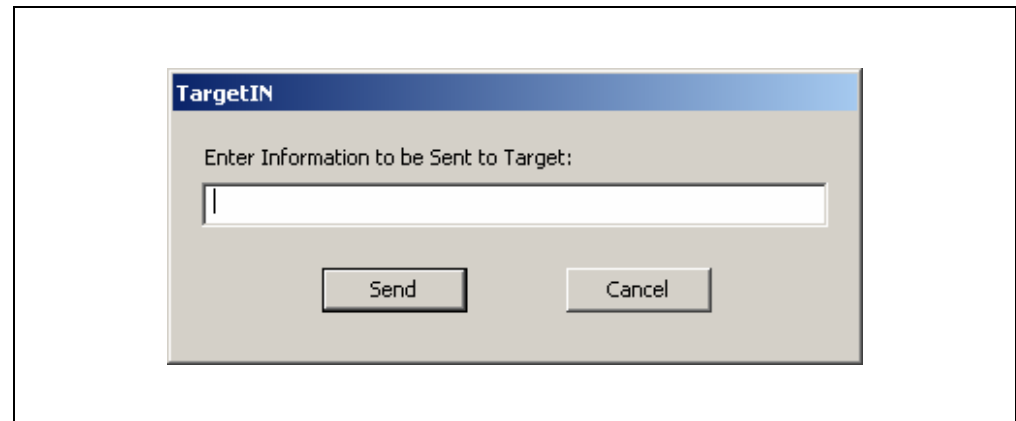
As the program runs, the Output window (Figure 2-14) tracks the progress.

FIGURE 2-14: OUTPUT WINDOW



After printing the menu, the application displays a prompt that requests your input, see Figure 2-15.

FIGURE 2-15: TARGET IN WINDOW



Type your choice into the Enter Information to be Sent to Target box, and click **Send**. The program responds according to the menu entry. Watch the LEDs on the starter kit board. If your entry is incorrect, the LEDs will toggle once.

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Chapter 3. Create a New Project

3.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter explains how to create a new project.

3.2 HIGHLIGHTS

Items discussed in this chapter include:

- Creating a New Project
- Building the Project
- Programming the Device
- Running the Program

After completing this chapter, you should be able to accomplish the following tasks:

- Create a project using the Project Wizard
- Assemble and link the code, and set the Configuration bits
- Set up the MPLAB IDE to use the PIC32MX Starter Kit
- Program the chip, and run the program

3.3 CREATING A NEW PROJECT

The first step is to create a project and a workspace in the MPLAB IDE. Typically, there is a single project per workspace.

A project contains the files needed to build an application (i.e., source code, header files, library, etc.), and their corresponding build options.

A workspace contains one or more projects, information on the selected device, debug/programmer tool, and MPLAB IDE configuration settings.

MPLAB IDE contains a Project Wizard to help create a new project.

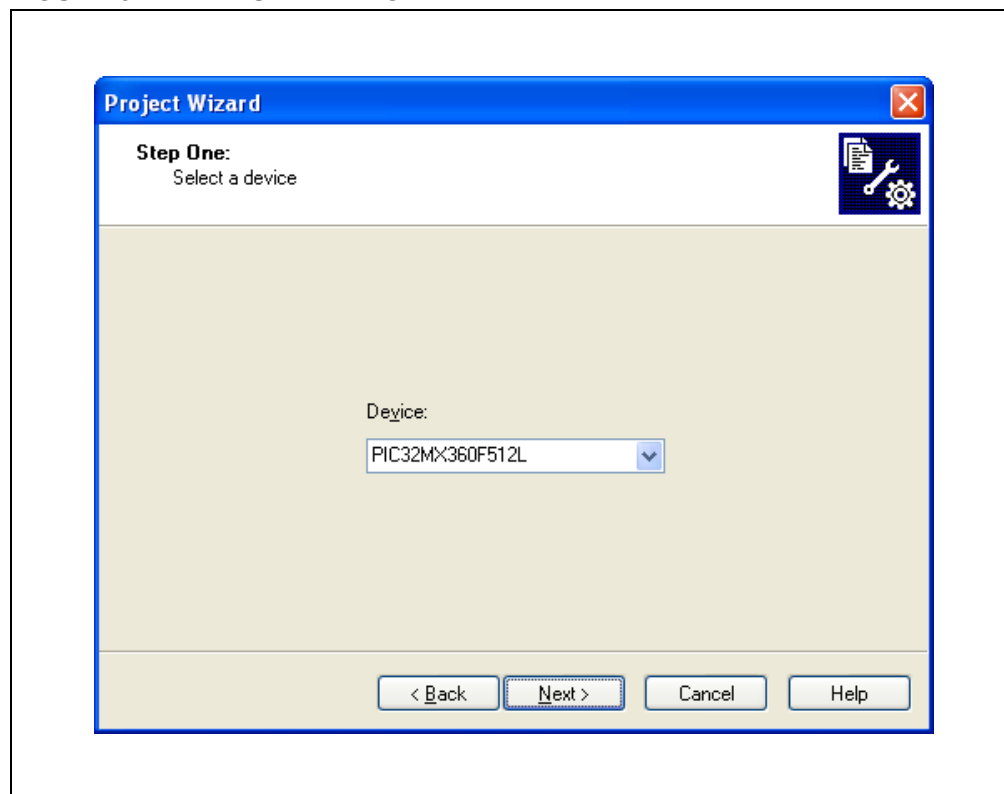
You will perform the following tasks as you create a new project:

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3.3.1 Task 1, Select a Device

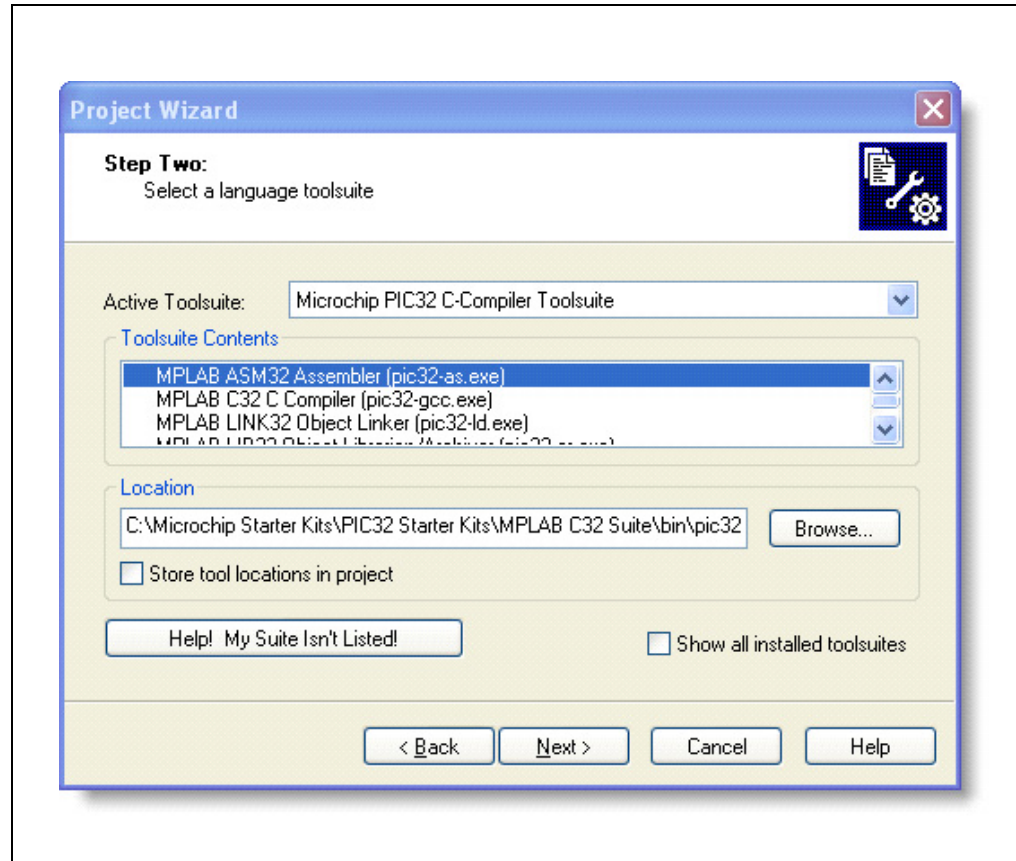
1. Start MPLAB IDE.
2. Click File>Close Workspace on the menu bar, to close any workspace that is open.
3. Click Project>Project Wizard... to start the wizard.
4. In the Welcome window, click **Next**. The Project Wizard Step One: window is displayed, as shown in Figure 3-1.

FIGURE 3-1: SELECTING THE DEVICE



5. From the "Device" drop-down list, select "PIC32MX360F512L".
6. Click **Next**. The Project Wizard Step Two: dialog box opens, as shown in Figure 3-2.

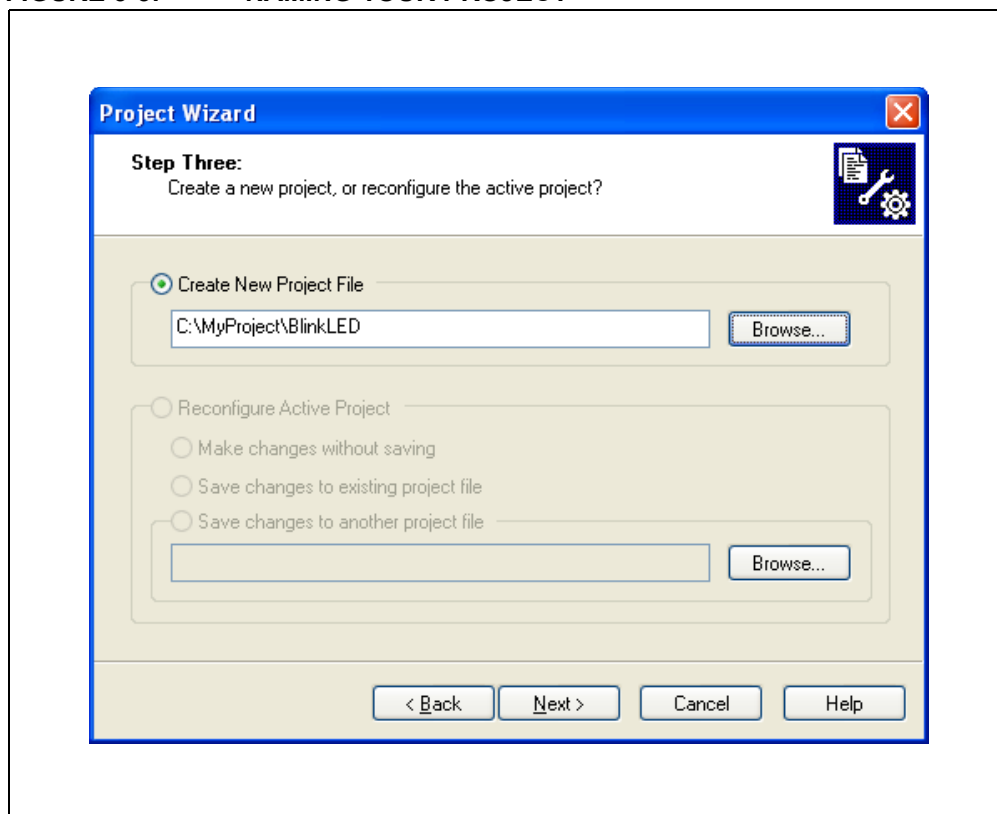
FIGURE 3-2: SELECTING THE TOOLSUITE



3.3.2 Task 2, Select the Language Toolsuite

1. From the "Active Toolsuite" drop-down list, click "Microchip PIC32 C Compiler Toolsuite". The toolsuite includes the assembler and linker that will be used. If the PIC32 compiler option is not available, check the "show all installed toolsuits" box.
2. Click **Next** to continue. The Project Wizard Step Three: dialog opens, as shown in Figure 3-3.

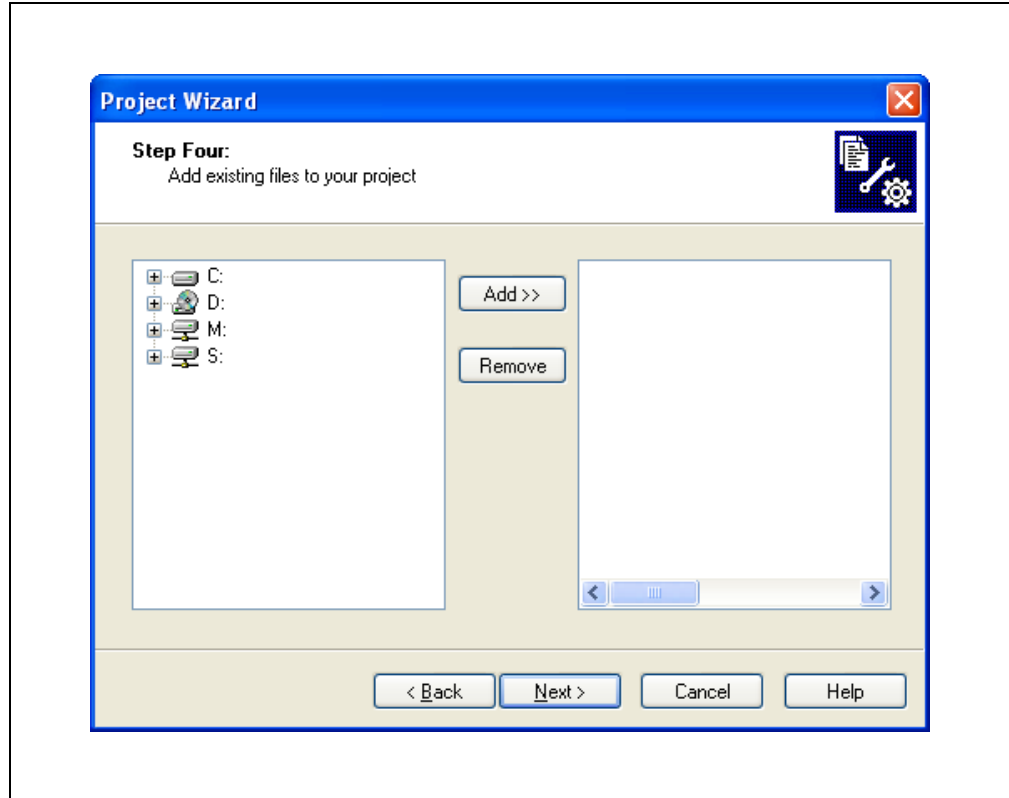
FIGURE 3-3: NAMING YOUR PROJECT



3.3.3 Task 3, Name Your Project

1. In the "Create New Project File" field, type **C:\MyProject\BlinkLED**.
2. Click **Next** and **Ok** to continue. The Project Wizard Step Four: dialog opens, as shown in Figure 3-4.

FIGURE 3-4: ADDING FILES TO THE PROJECT



3.3.4 Task 4, Add Files to Your Project

This window can be skipped, since no '.c' files have been created.

1. Click **Next** to continue.
2. Click **Finish** on the summary screen.
3. A project and workspace have been created in the MPLAB IDE.
`BlinkLED.mcw` is the workspace file and `BlinkLED.mcp` is the project file.
4. Click File>New from the menu bar to create a new file. A new file is displayed.
5. Click File>Save As... and save this file as 'BlinkLED.c' in the same folder (in this case, the `C:\MyProject` folder).
6. Now copy the source code provided in Example 3-1 to the `BlinkLED.c` file. The source code file is located in the PIC32 Starter Kit directory:
`[install directory]\PIC32 Starter Kits\Blink_Leds.`

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EXAMPLE 3-1: PROJECT SOURCE CODE

```
#include <plib.h>                                // Adds support for PIC32 Peripheral library
functions and macros

void Delay(unsigned int count)
{
    while(--count);
}

int main(void)
{
    /* LED setup - Turn off leds before configuring the IO pin as output */
    mPORTDClearBits(BIT_0 | BIT_1 | BIT_2);        // same as LATDCLR = 0x0007

    /* Set RD0, RD1 and RD2 as outputs */
    mPORTDSetPinsDigitalOut(BIT_0 | BIT_1 | BIT_2 );    // same as TRISDCLR = 0x0007

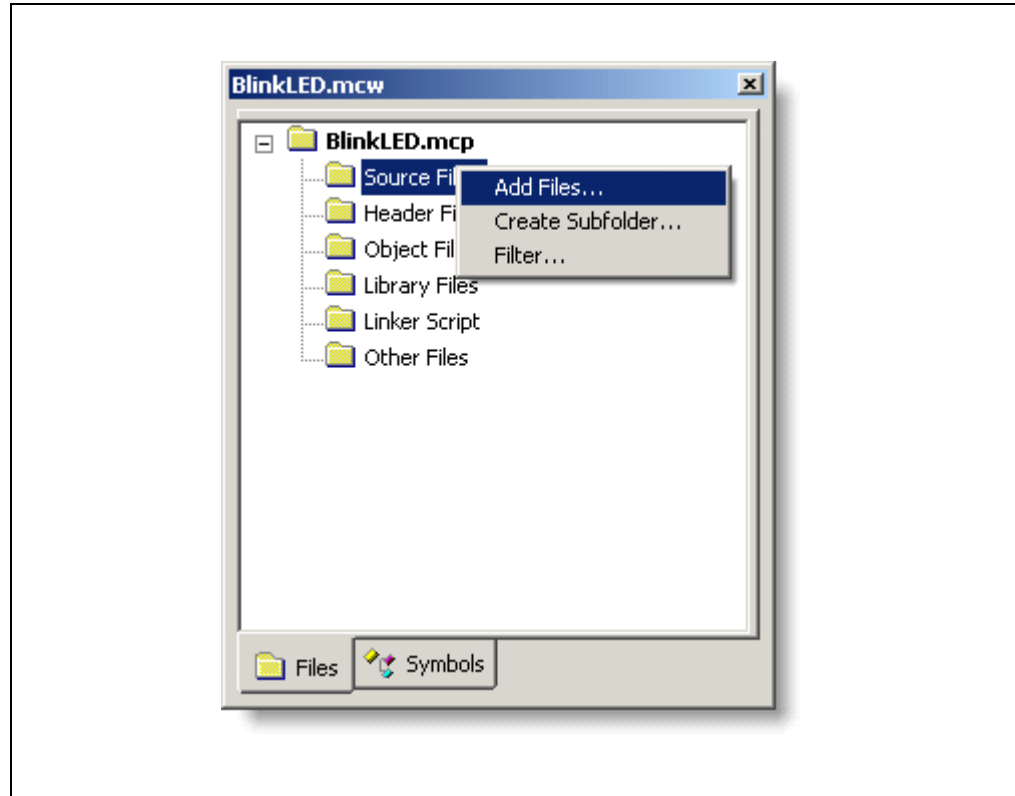
    /* endless loop */
    while(1)
    {
        Delay(200000);
        mPORTDToggleBits(BIT_0);                  // toggle LED0 (same as LATDINV = 0x0001)

        Delay(200000);
        mPORTDToggleBits(BIT_1);                  // toggle LED1 (same as LATDINV = 0x0002)

        Delay(200000);
        mPORTDToggleBits(BIT_2);                  // toggle LED2 (same as LATDINV = 0x0004)
    };
    return 0;
}
```

7. In the Project window, right-click on the Source Files folder. Select Add Files and choose `BlinkLED.c` to add the file to the source directory, as shown in Figure 3-5.

FIGURE 3-5: ADDING SOURCE FILES



8. Click Debugger>Select Tool>PIC32MX Starter Kit from the menu bar, for the Target board.

Note: Make sure that the starter kit demo board is connected to your PC.

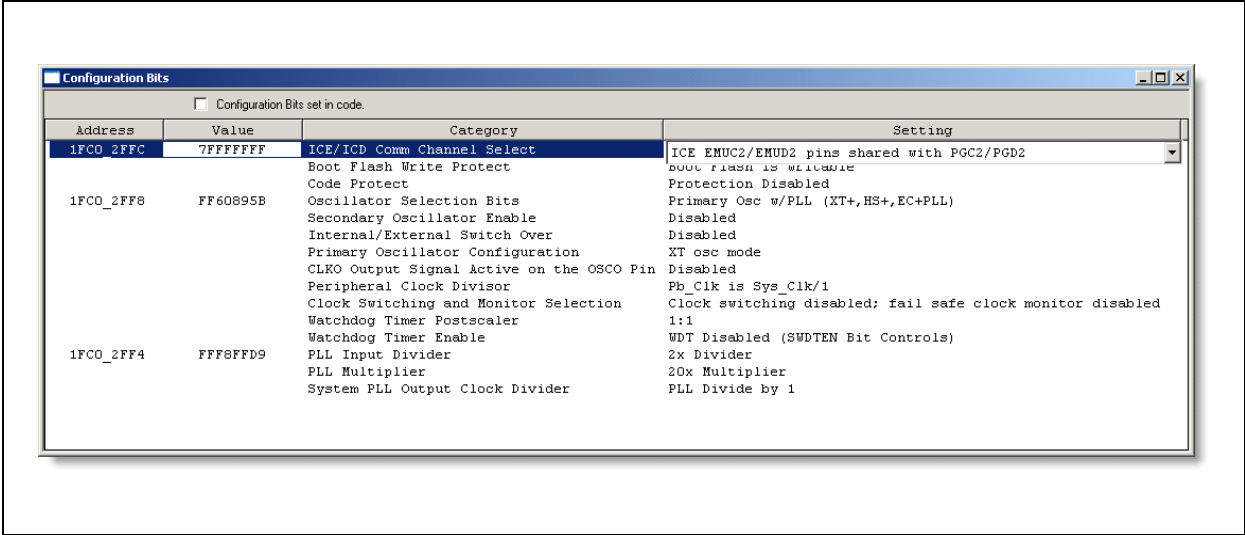
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3.3.5 Task 5, Confirm the Configuration Settings

Click [Configure>Configuration Bits](#) to confirm that the configuration settings are correct. Typical configuration settings for the starter kit are shown in Figure 3-6.

Note: The “Configuration Bits set in code” check box must be unchecked if the config bits are set via this window and not in the code.
The configuration settings can also be embedded in the source file.
See the *MPLAB C Compiler for PIC32 User's Guide* (DS51686) for information.

FIGURE 3-6: CONFIGURATION BIT SETTINGS



CAUTION

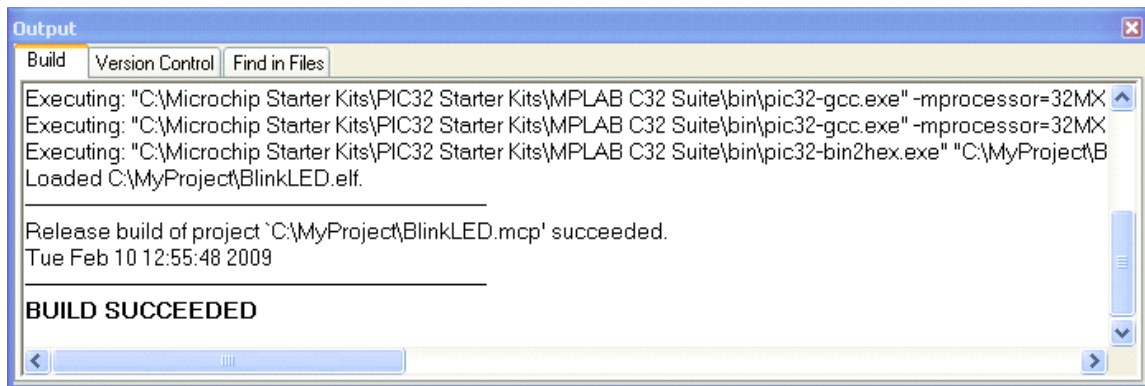
Setting the PIC32 Starter Kit configuration bits to cause the PIC32MX to operate faster than the maximum 80MHz system clock speed may cause the PIC32MX to stop communicating with the PIC18F4550 Starter Kit debugger. Should this occur, run the `sk_erase.exe` utility to re-flash the PIC32MX with a default configuration. This utility is located on the PIC32 Starter Kit CD or in the PIC32MX Starter Kit directory:

[install directory]\PIC32 Starter Kits\tools

3.3.6 Task 6, Build the Project

1. Click **Project>Make** from the menu bar of the main MPLAB IDE window. The build Output window displays (Figure 3-7).
2. Observe the progress of the build. When the "BUILD SUCCEEDED" message displays, you are ready to program the device.

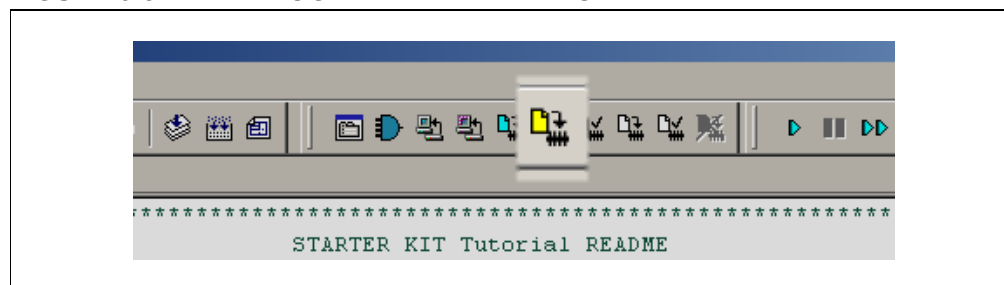
FIGURE 3-7: BUILD OUTPUT WINDOW



3.3.7 Task 7, Program the Device

1. Click the Program All Memories icon on the Program Device Tool Bar, as shown in Figure 3-8.

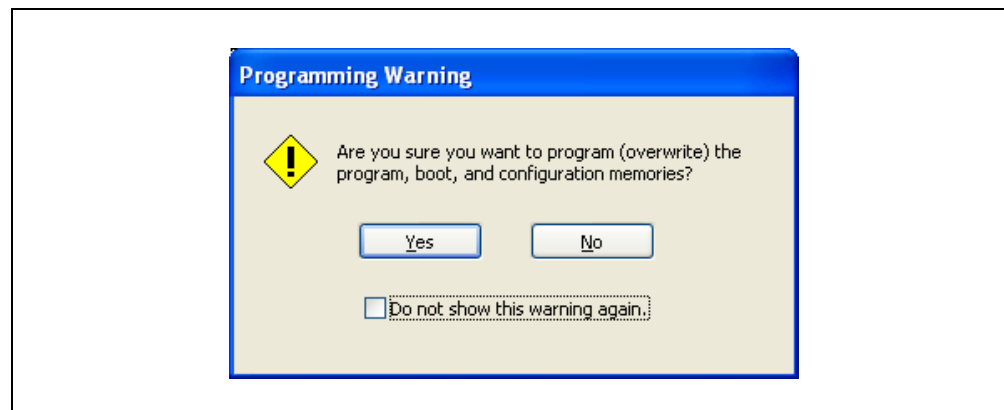
FIGURE 3-8: PROGRAM DEVICE WINDOW



A Programming Warning window (Figure 3-9) opens to warn you about overwriting the memory.

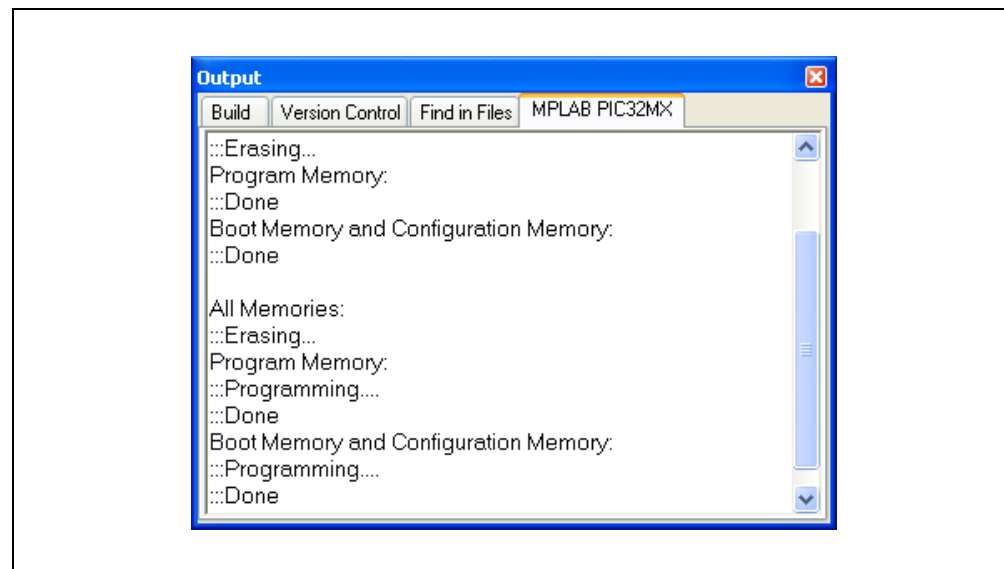
2. Click **Yes**.

FIGURE 3-9: PROGRAMMING WARNING WINDOW



The Output window (Figure 3-10) tracks the progress of the output. “Done” signals that the programming of the device is complete.

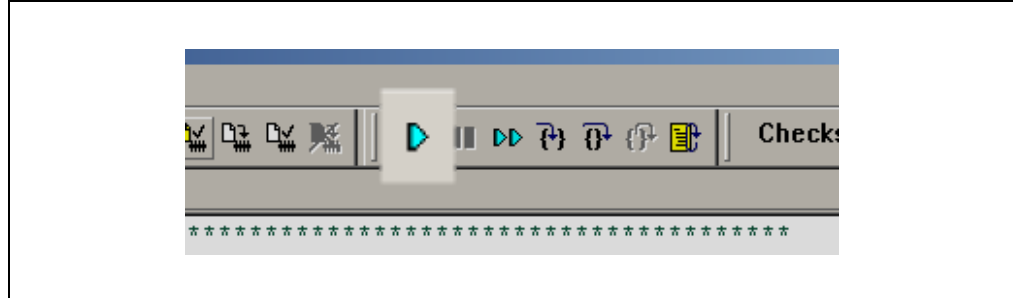
FIGURE 3-10: OUTPUT WINDOW



3.3.8 Task 8, Run the Program

Click *Debugger>Run* from the menu bar of the MPLAB IDE or click the Run icon (the turquoise triangle) on the Debug Tool Bar, as indicated in Figure 3-11, to run the new program.

FIGURE 3-11: RUN THE PROGRAM



The starter kit LEDs blink to indicate that the program is running successfully.

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Chapter 4. PIC32MX Starter Kit Hardware

4.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes the hardware features of the PIC32MX Starter Kit.

4.2 HARDWARE FEATURES

The key features of the PIC32MX Starter Kit are listed below. They are presented in the order given in **Section 1.4 “PIC32MX Functionality and Features”**. You can refer to Figure 1-1 on page 8 for their locations on the board.

4.2.1 Processor Support

The PIC32MX Starter Kit is designed with a permanently mounted (i.e., soldered) PIC32MX360F512L processor.

4.2.2 Power Supply

There are two ways to supply power to the PIC32MX Starter Kit:

- USB bus power connected to J1.
- An external application board with a regulated DC power supply that provides +5V can be connected to the J2 application board connector that is provided on the bottom side of the board.

Note: The basic PIC32MX Starter Kit does not include an application board and is intended to be USB-bus powered.

One green LED (D3) is provided to show that the PIC32 microcontroller is powered up.

4.2.3 USB Connectivity

The PIC32MX Starter Kit includes a PIC18LF4550 USB microcontroller, which provides both USB connectivity and support for protocol translation. The PIC18LF4550 is hard-wired to the PIC32MX device to provide two types of connectivity:

- I/O pins of PIC18LF4550 to ICSP™ pins of PIC32MX
- I/O pins of PIC18LF4550 to JTAG pins of PIC32MX

The PIC32MX Starter Kit currently uses the JTAG pins of the PIC32MX device for programming and debugging.

4.2.4 Switches

Push-button switches provide the following functionality:

- SW1: Active-low switch connected to RD6
- SW2: Active-low switch connected to RD7
- SW3: Active-low switch connected to RD13

The switches do not have any debounce circuitry and require the use of internal pull-up resistors; this allows you to investigate debounce techniques. When Idle, the switches are pulled high (+3.3V). When pressed, they are grounded.

4.2.5 LEDs

The LEDs, RD0 through RD2, are connected to PORTD of the processor. The PORTD pins are set high to light the LEDs.

4.2.6 Oscillator Options

The installed microcontroller has an oscillator circuit connected to it. The main oscillator uses an 8 MHz crystal (Y2) and functions as the controller's primary oscillator. Use of an external crystal is not required for PIC32 designs. Your design may use the internal oscillator, if desired.

The PIC18LF4550, at the heart of the USB subsystem, is independently clocked and has its own 8 MHz crystal (Y1).

4.2.7 120-Pin Modular Expansion Connector

The PIC32MX Starter Kit demo board has been designed with a 120-pin modular expansion interface, which allows the board to provide basic generic functionality now, as well as easy extendability to new technologies as they become available.

TABLE 4-1: STARTER BOARD CONNECTOR PART NUMBERS

Connector	HIROSE Electric PN
Starter Board Connector	FX10A-120P/12-SV1(71)
Application Board Connector	FX10A-120S/12-SV(71)

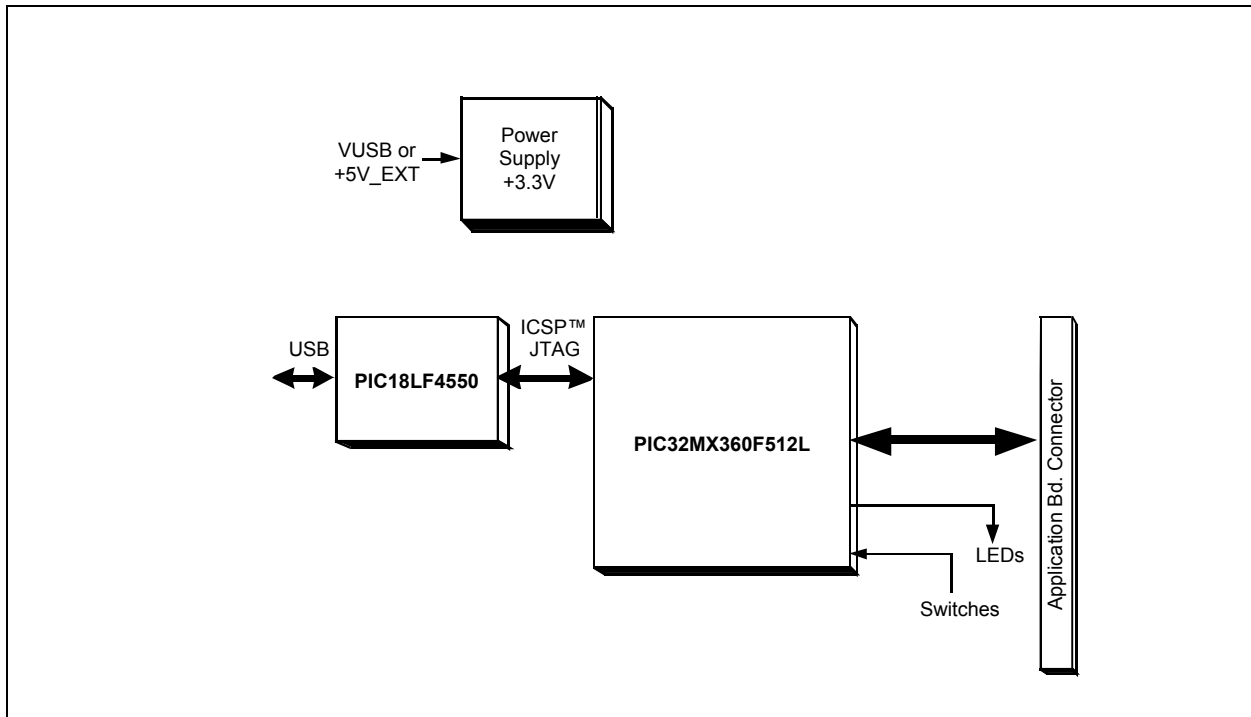
Appendix A. PIC32MX Starter Kit Schematics

A.1 INTRODUCTION

This section provides detailed technical information about the PIC32MX Starter Kit.

A.2 DEVELOPMENT BOARD BLOCK DIAGRAM

FIGURE A-1: HIGH-LEVEL BLOCK DIAGRAM OF THE PIC32MX STARTER KIT



A.3 STARTER KIT BOARD SCHEMATICS

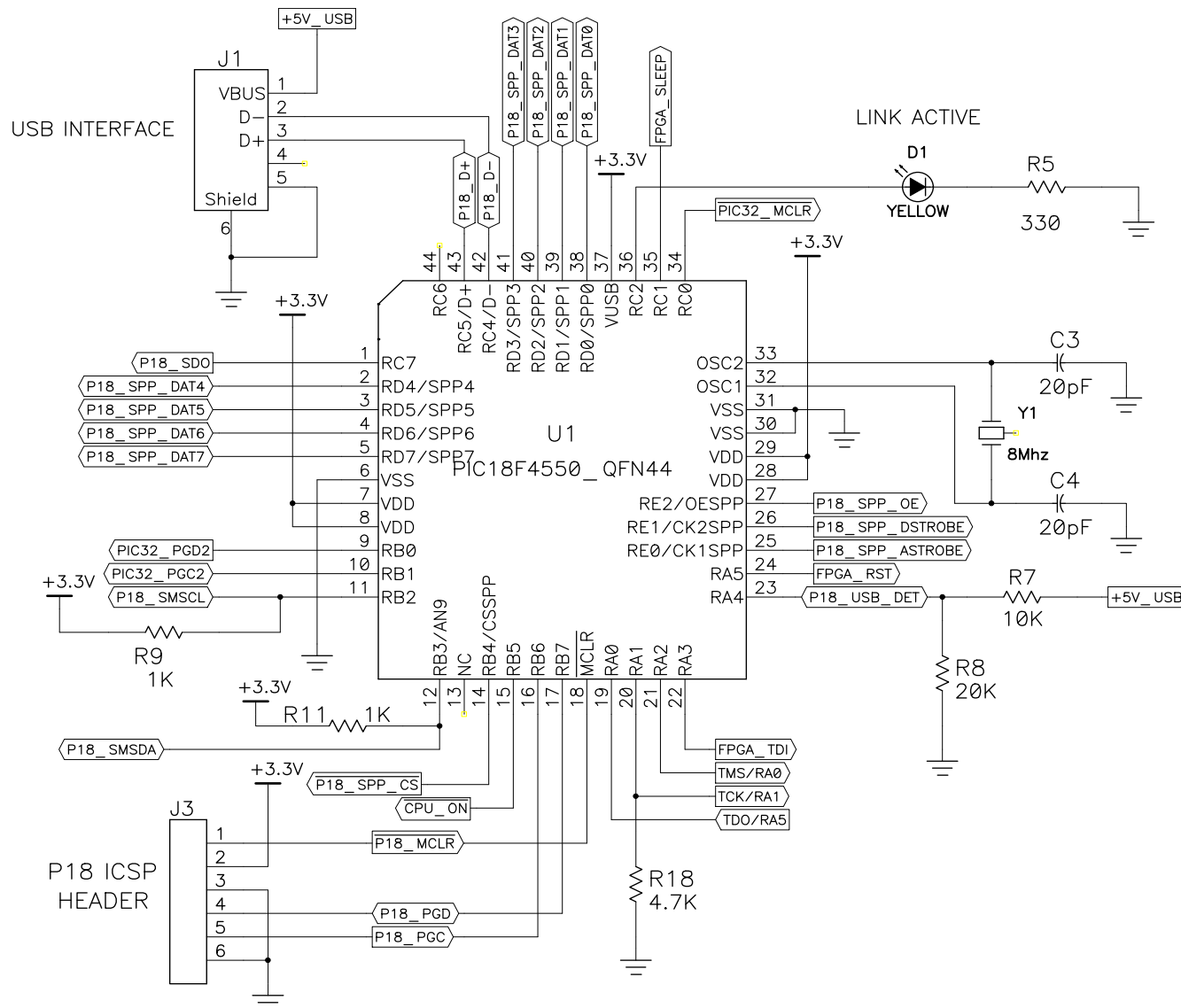
Figure A-2. PIC32MX CPU

Figure A-3. PIC18LF4550 Debug CPU

Figure A-4. Application Board Connector

Figure A-5. Switches and LEDs

Figure A-6. Power Supply

FIGURE A-3: PIC32MX SCHEMATIC, SHEET 2 OF 6 (PIC18LF4550 DEBUG CPU)

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FIGURE A-4: PIC32MX SCHEMATIC, SHEET 3 OF 6 (APPLICATION BOARD CONNECTOR)

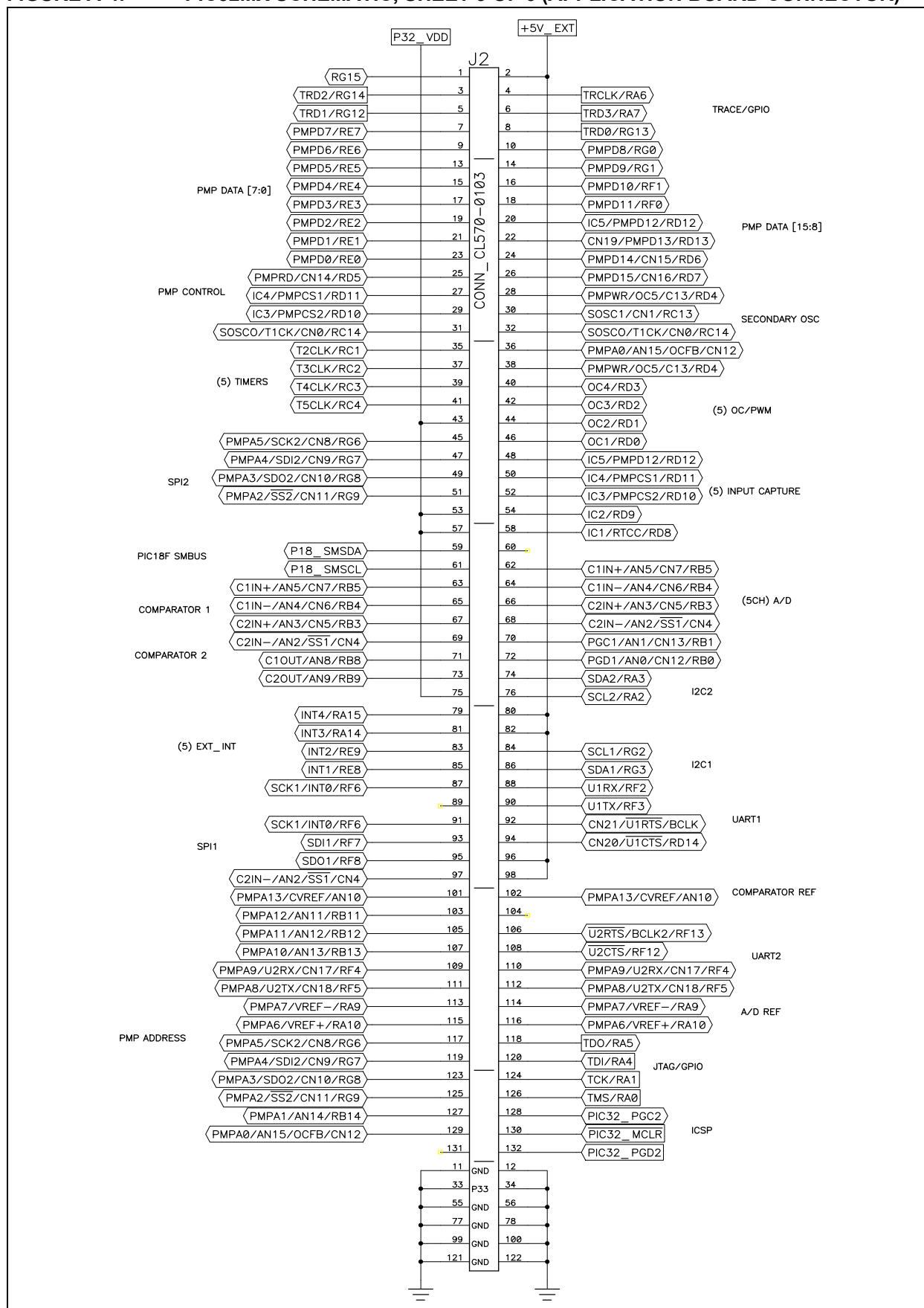
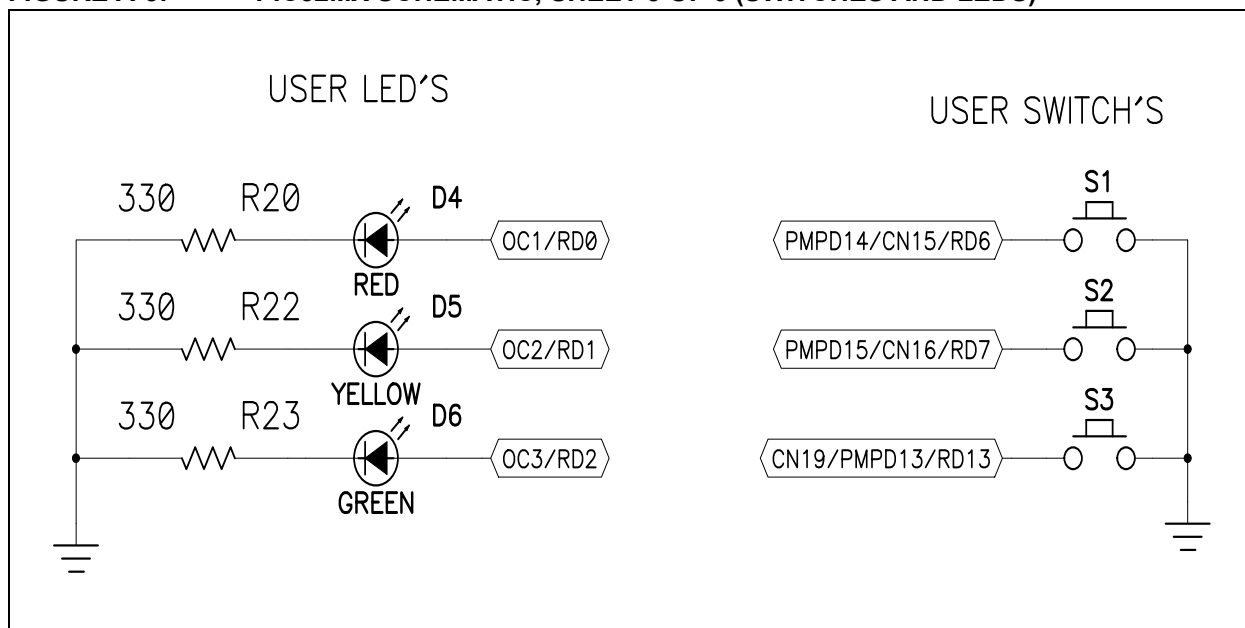
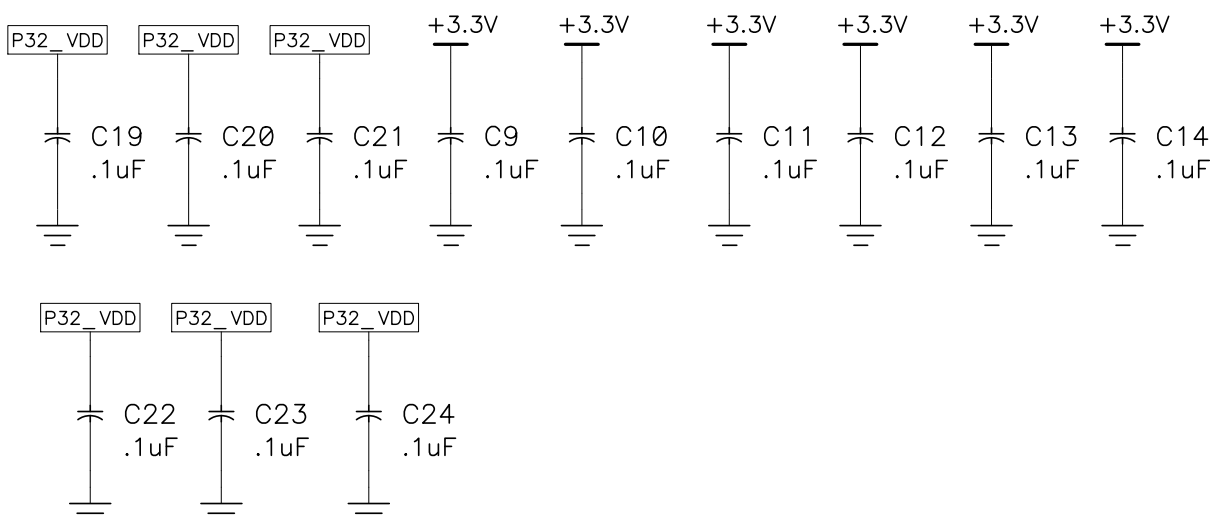
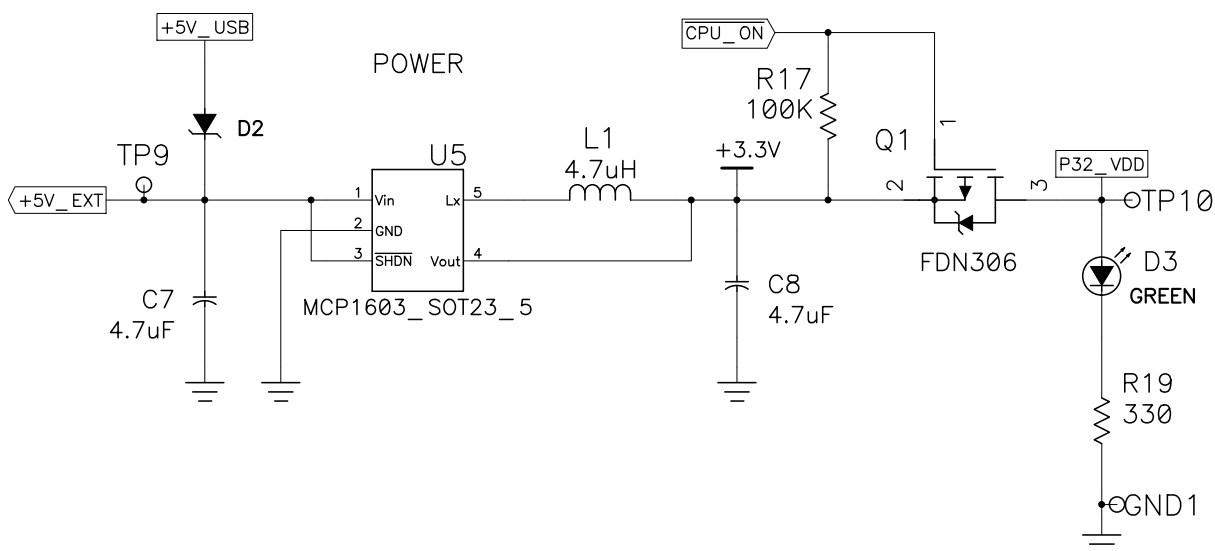


FIGURE A-5: PIC32MX SCHEMATIC, SHEET 5 OF 6 (SWITCHES AND LEDS)



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FIGURE A-6: PIC32MX SCHEMATIC, SHEET 6 OF 6 (POWER SUPPLY)



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