



„Can you speak USB-ish?“

Low-speed USB host  
implemented in GA144

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*USB is...*

*...Universal Serial Bus*

# USB is...

*... a means of connecting peripherals to computers*

how does USB work?

# USB in 10 minutes

## specification

The screenshot shows the homepage of the "USB Made Simple" website. The header features large, bold text "USB" in white on a teal background and "Made Simple" in white on a brown background. Below the header is a stylized USB logo with blue and purple colors. The main title "USB Made Simple" is in blue, followed by the subtitle "A Series of Articles on USB". To the right, there is a "Forward" link and a small image of the "Universal Serial Bus Specification" document. On the left, a sidebar lists "Part 1" through "Part 7" and a "Links" section. The main content area contains links to "Part 1 - Introduction", "Part 2 - Electrical", "Part 3 - Data Flow", "Part 4 - Protocol", "Part 5 - Example Device", "Part 6 - High Speed Basics", "Part 7 - High Speed Transactions", and "Links". A note at the bottom states: "This series of articles on USB is being actively expanded. If you find the information useful, you may wish to come back to this page in the future to check for newly added parts."

usbmadesimple.co.uk

Serial Bus  
Specification

Compaq  
Intel  
Microsoft  
NEC

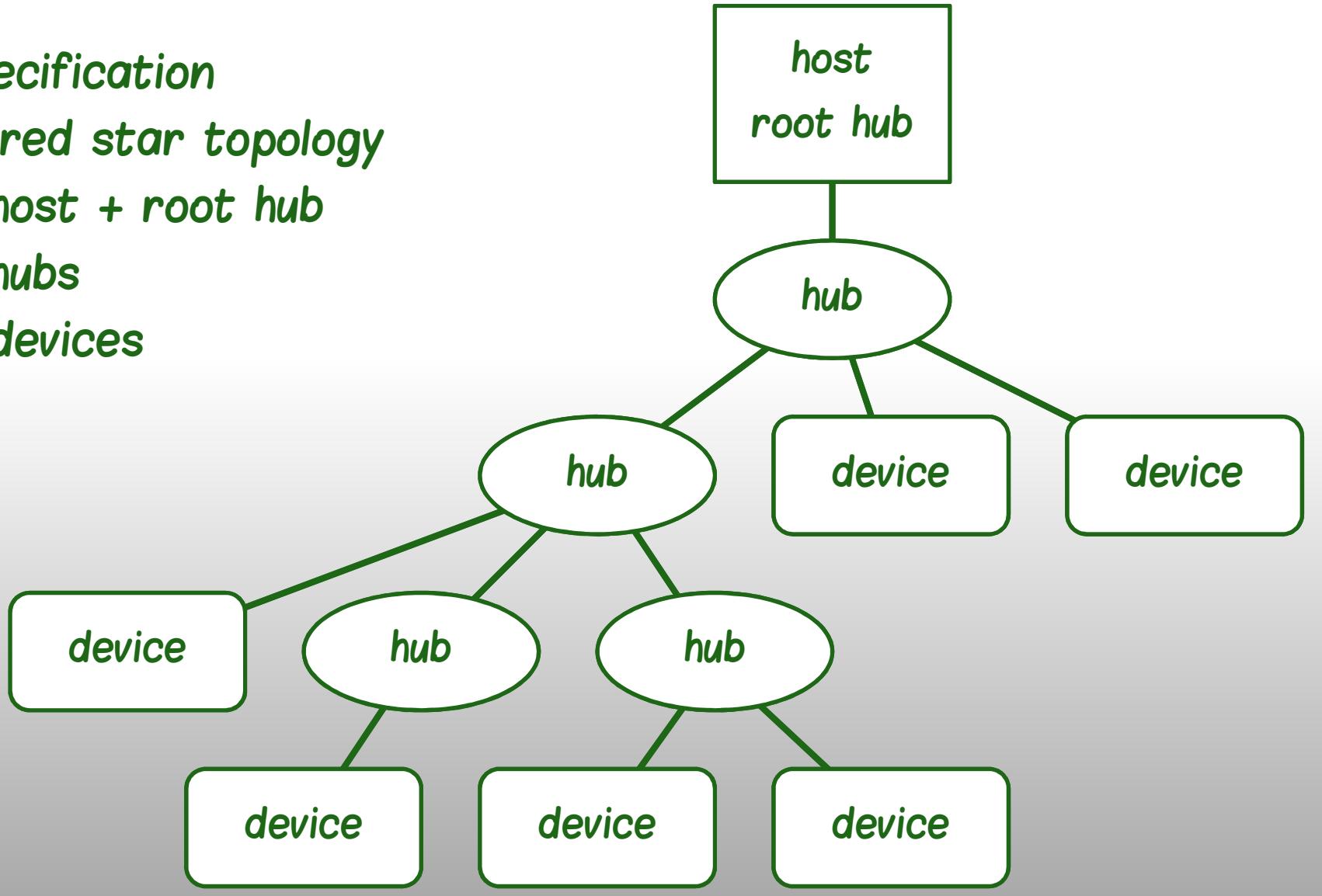
Revision 1.1  
September 23, 1998

# USB in 10 minutes

specification

*tiered star topology*

- host + root hub
- hubs
- devices



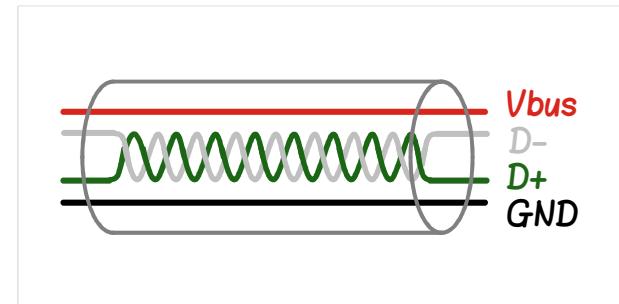
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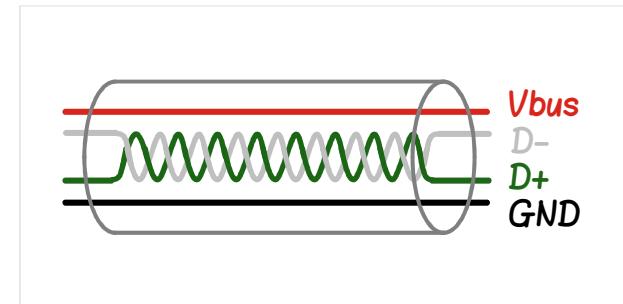
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half-duplex differential signaling

power distribution

host D+ and D- pulled down with  
15k resistors



type A plug

# USB in 10 minutes

data speeds

speed defined with

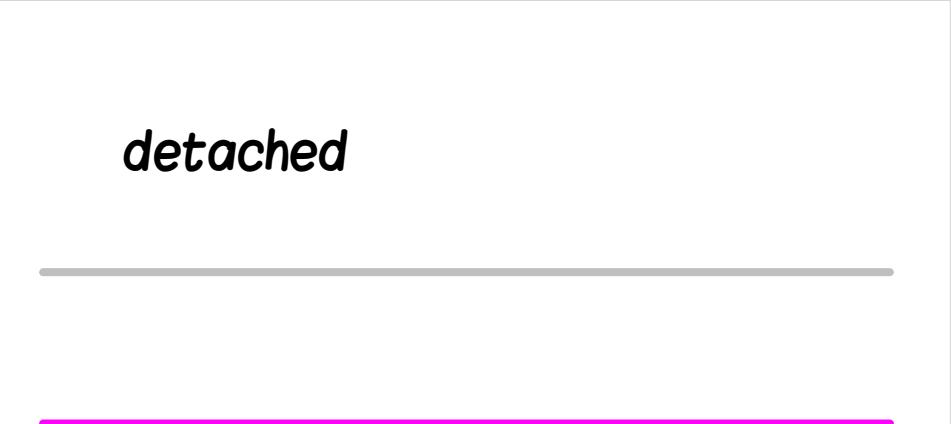
a pull up 1k5 resistor

line states

- detached

low speed	1.5 Mb/s	D-
full speed	12 Mb/s	D+
high speed	480 Mb/s	D+

detached



D+ D-

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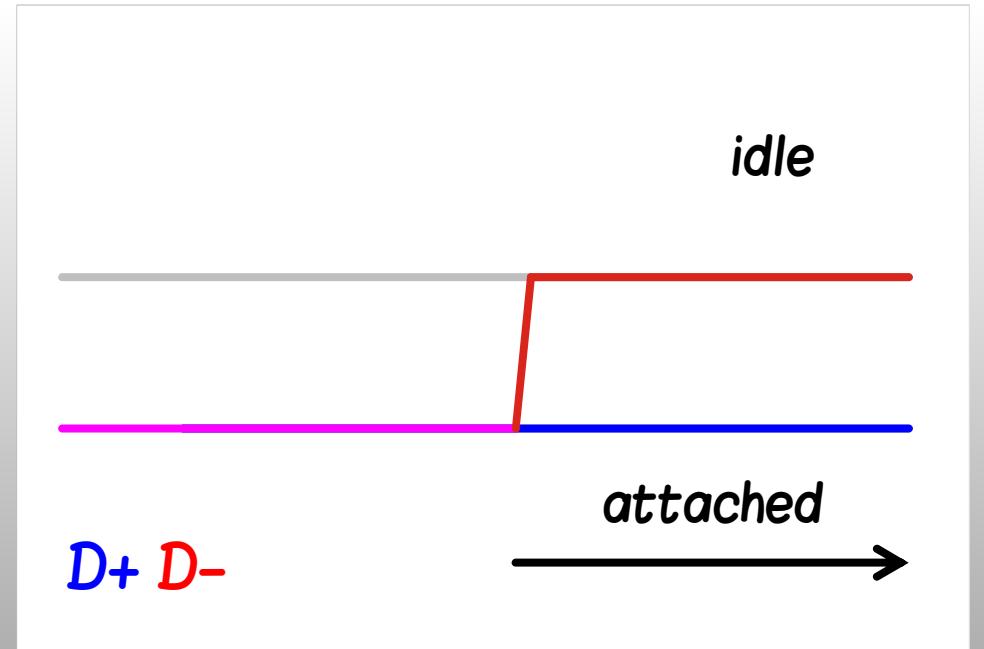
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bus states

- J, K, SEO, ~~SET~~

low speed bus

J	D+ low, D- high
K	D+ high, D- low
SEO	D+ low, D- low

# USB in 10 minutes

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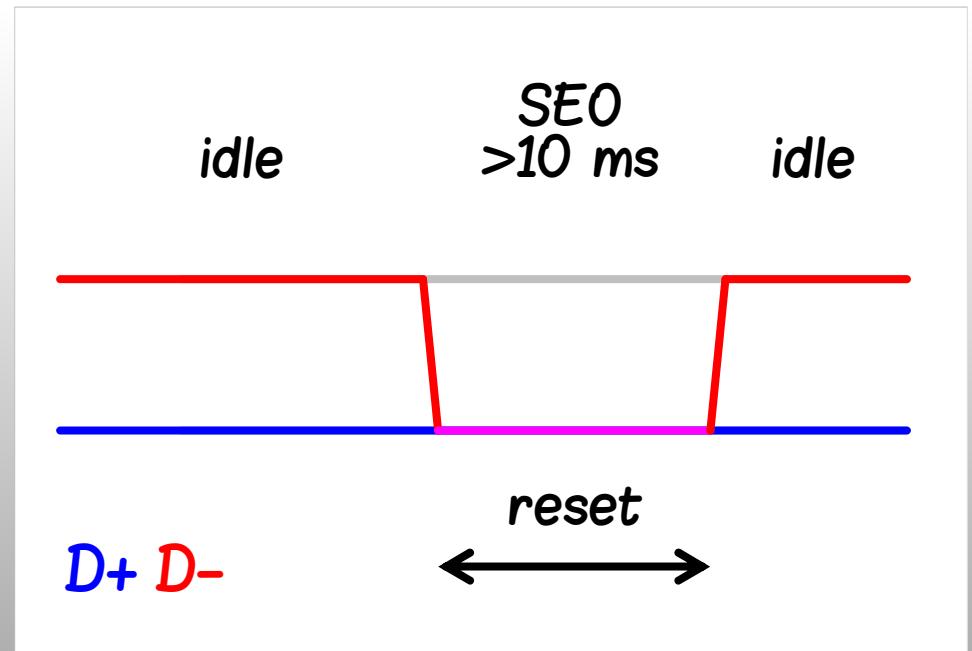
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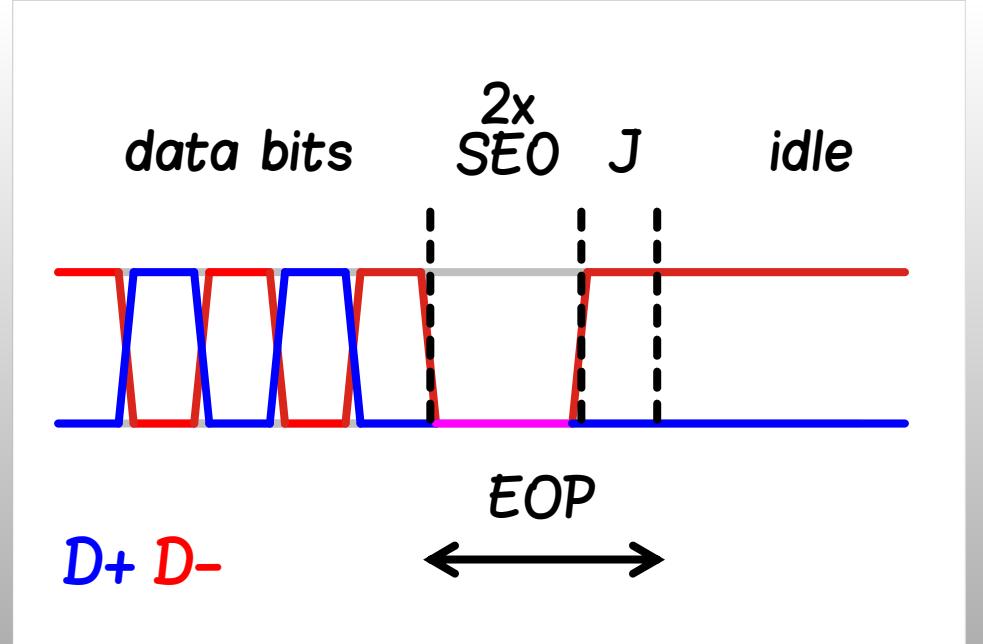
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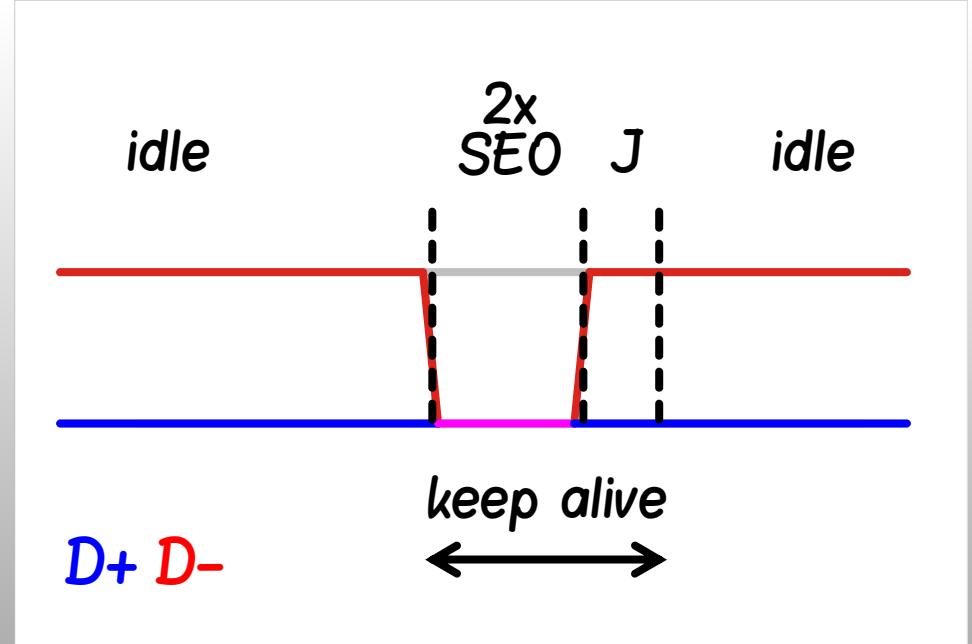
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line states

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- attached
- idle

bus states

- J, K, SEO, ~~SET~~
- reset
- end of packet
- keep alive



# USB in 10 minutes

## addresses

- range 0 – 127 (7 bits)
- uninitialized device addr = 0

## endpoints

- range 0 – 15 (4 bits)
- direction either IN or OUT (endpoint 0 both directions)

## endianness

- bytes transferred least significant bit first
- multi-byte data least significant byte first

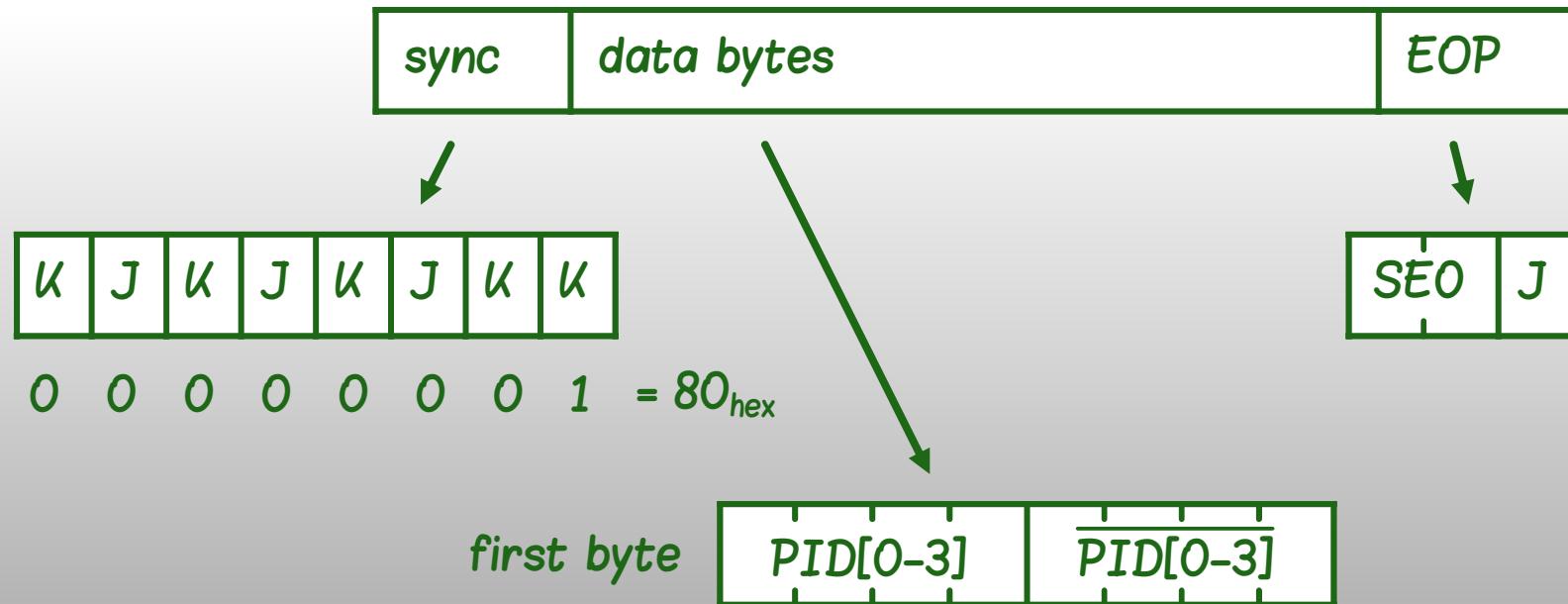
## encoding

- NRZI: 0 bit – state change, 1 bit – no change
- up to 6 one bits, then a zero bit inserted (bit stuffing)

# USB in 10 minutes

## packets

- smallest transmission element
- integer number of bytes
- bus in idle state before and after a packet



# USB in 10 minutes

## *token packet*

- *first packet in a transaction*
- *indicates address, endpoint, purpose of a transaction*

sync	PID	ADDR	ENDP	CRC5	EOP
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*IN  
OUT  
SETUP*

# USB in 10 minutes

## *data packet*

- *used for transferring data*
- *payload 0 to 8 bytes*



*DATA0*

*DATA1*

# USB in 10 minutes

## handshake packet

- used to confirm status of a transaction
- provide handshake between host and device



ACK

NAK

STALL

# USB in 10 minutes

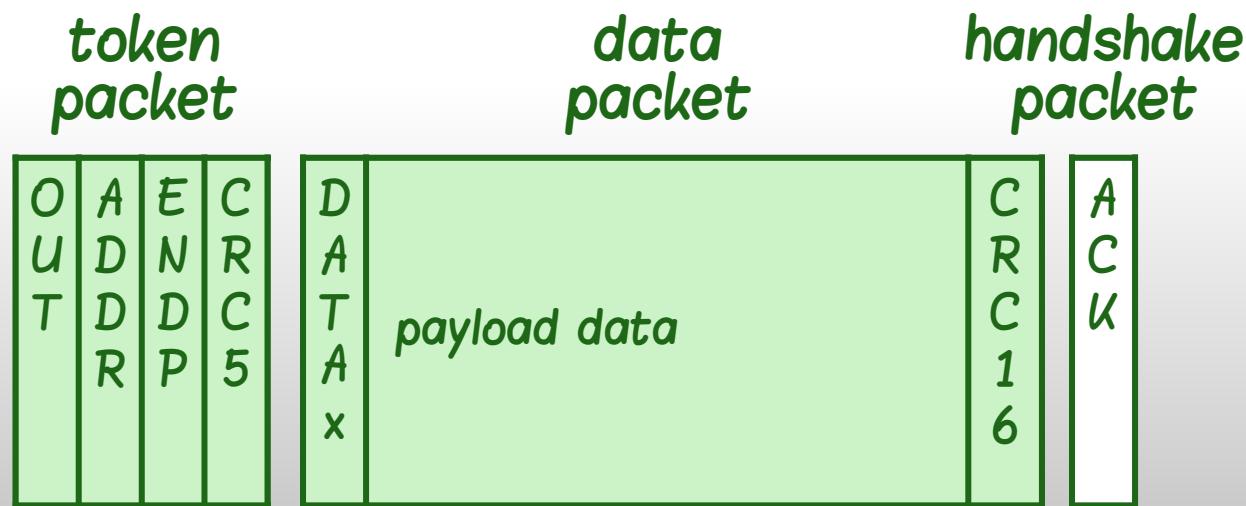
## transactions

- sequence of three packets
- secure transfer of data

# USB in 10 minutes

## OUT transaction

- transfer data from host to device
- DATAx is alternating between DATA0 and DATA1



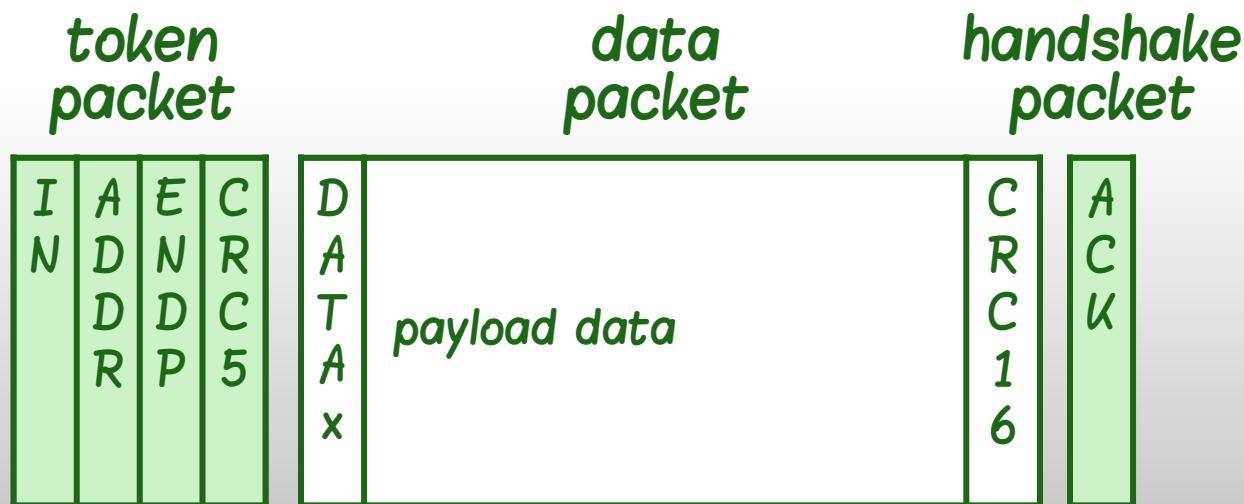
host to device

device to host

# USB in 10 minutes

## IN transaction

- transfer data from device to host
- DATAx is alternating between DATA0 and DATA1



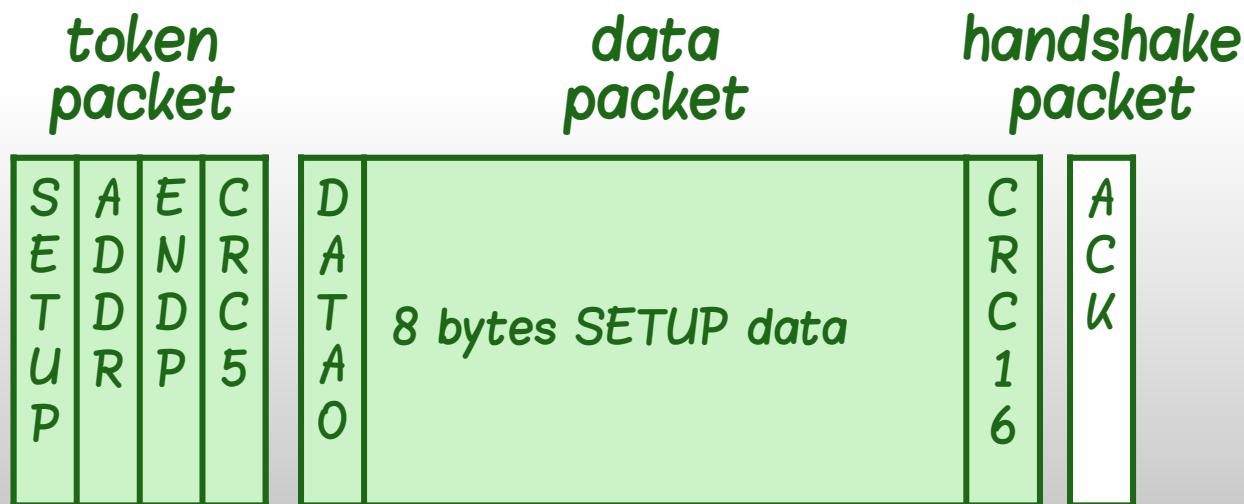
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# USB in 10 minutes

## SETUP transaction

- similar to OUT transaction, payload always 8 bytes
- only DATA0 used



 host to device

 device to host

# USB in 10 minutes

## transfers

- control
  - used for initial configuration of a device by the host
  - bidirectional on endpoint 0 IN and 0 OUT only
- interrupt
  - IN or OUT transactions
  - low throughput
  - regular data transfer (keyboard, mouse)

# USB in 10 minutes

## enumeration

- get descriptors (device, configuration, interface...)
- set address, select configuration, interface, etc.

## Human Interface Device (HID)

- HID class descriptors, ~~reports~~
- Report protocol vs Boot protocol

**PROJECT**

# *aim of the project*

- 1) low-speed USB host in GA144
- 2) keyboard controller
- 3) demo – USB keyboard & etherForth editor

# simplified specs for GA144

## hardware

- no control of rise and fall times
- no root hub, no support for hubs

## protocol

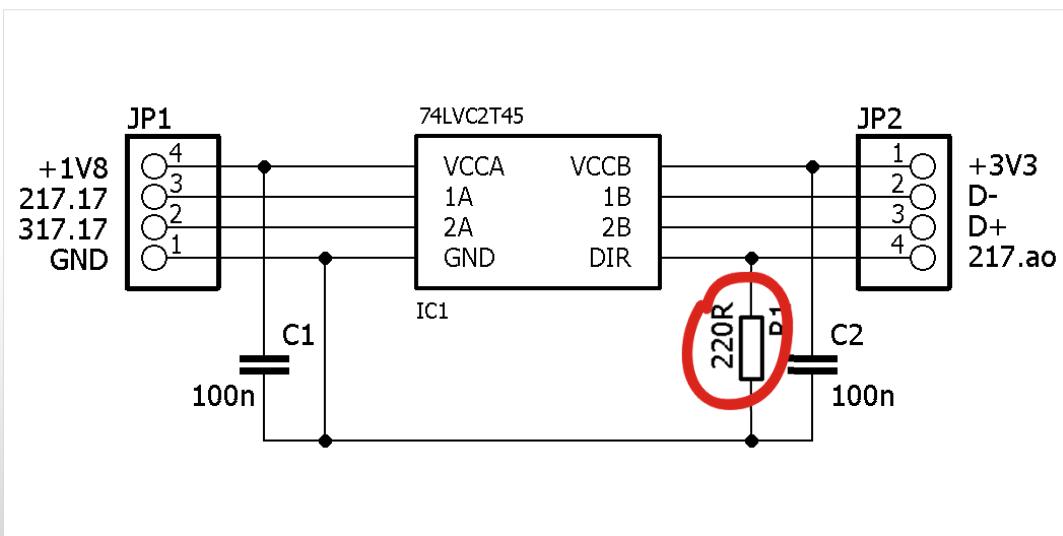
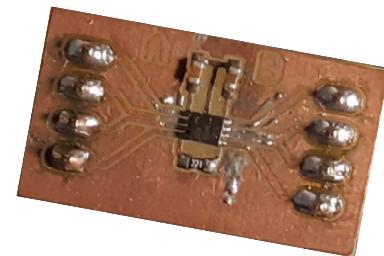
- no address assigned to a device (only address zero used)
- no check of DATA0 and DATA1 toggling
- disregard STALL handshake

## keyboard

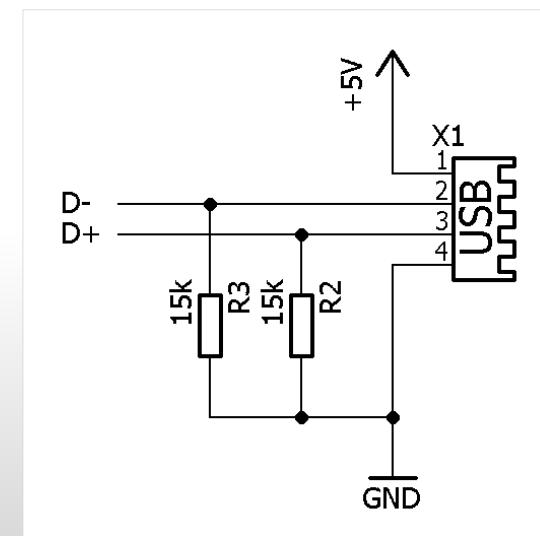
- no auto repeat
- ignore simultaneously pressed keys

# HARDWARE

# hardware



voltage level shifter 74LVC2T45

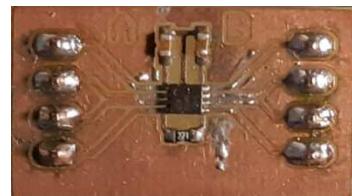


USB connector

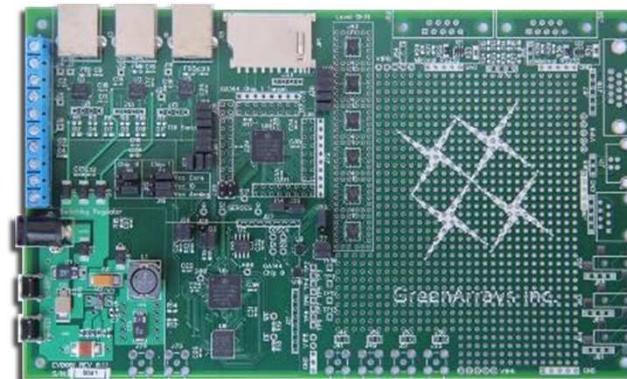
datasheet: [assets.nexperia.com/documents/data-sheet/74LVC\\_LVCH2T45.pdf](https://assets.nexperia.com/documents/data-sheet/74LVC_LVCH2T45.pdf)

# setup

voltage level shifter



GA EVB001



USB keyboard

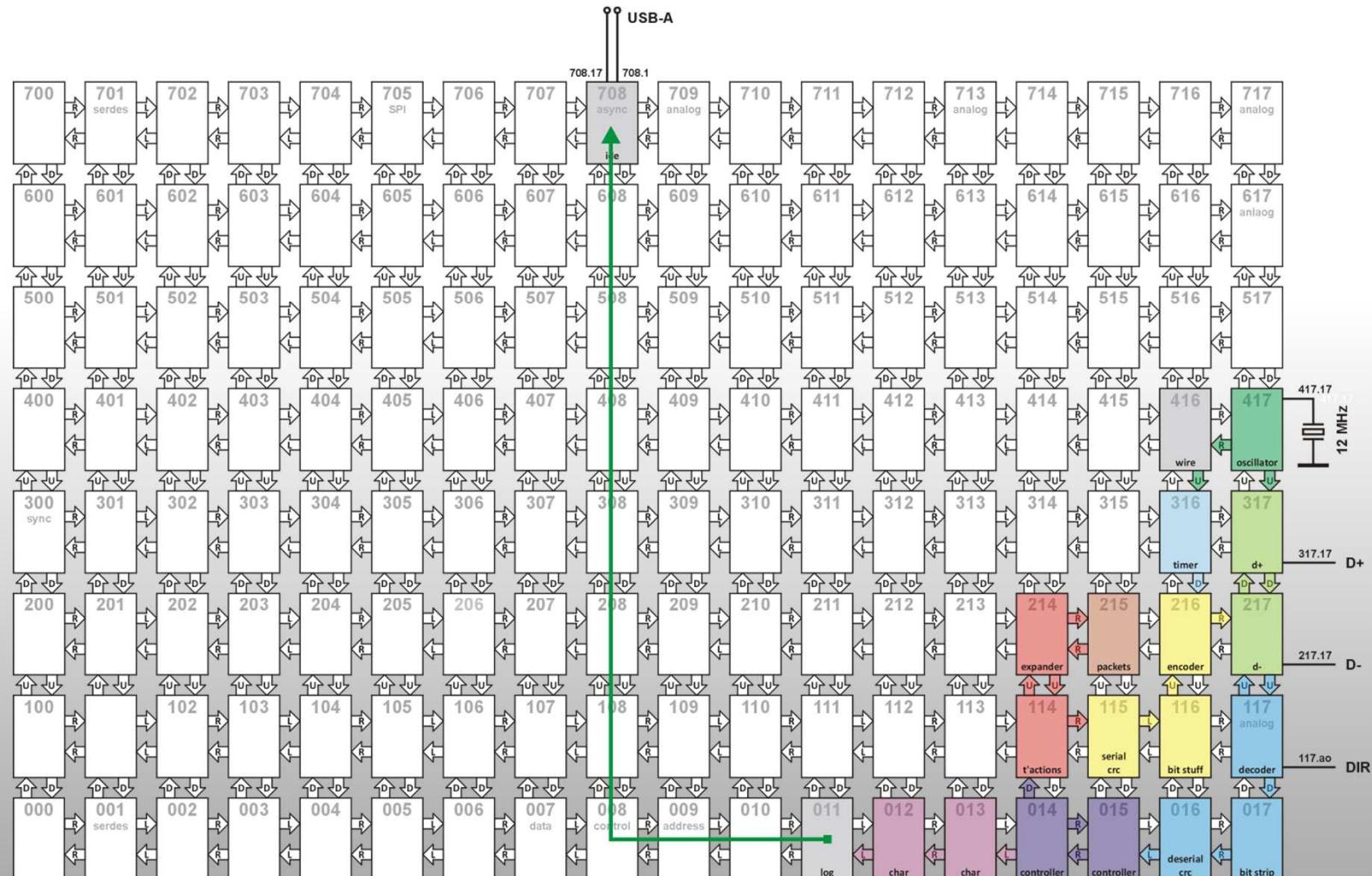


arrayForth IDE

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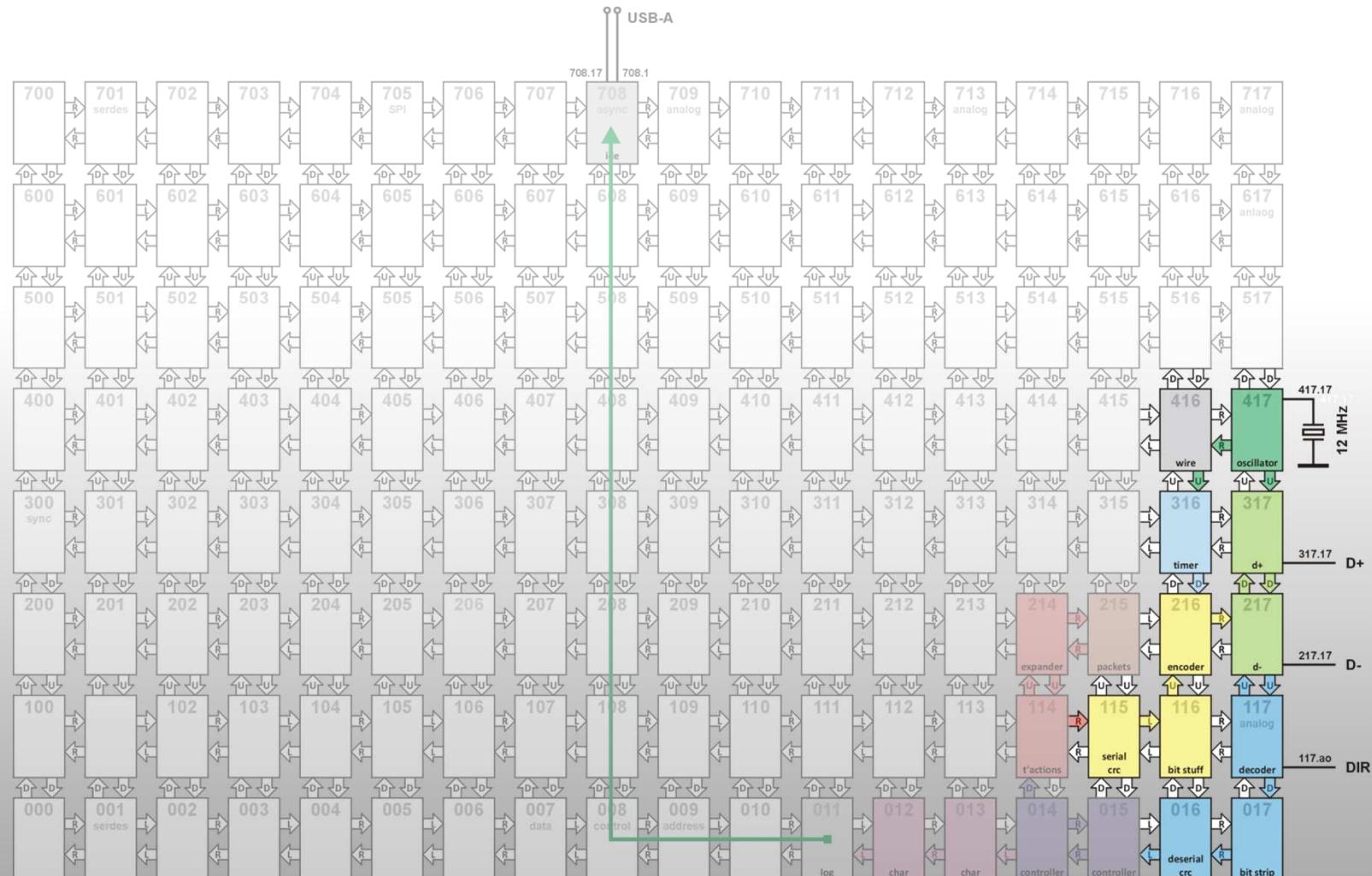
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## project - host chip - 18 nodes



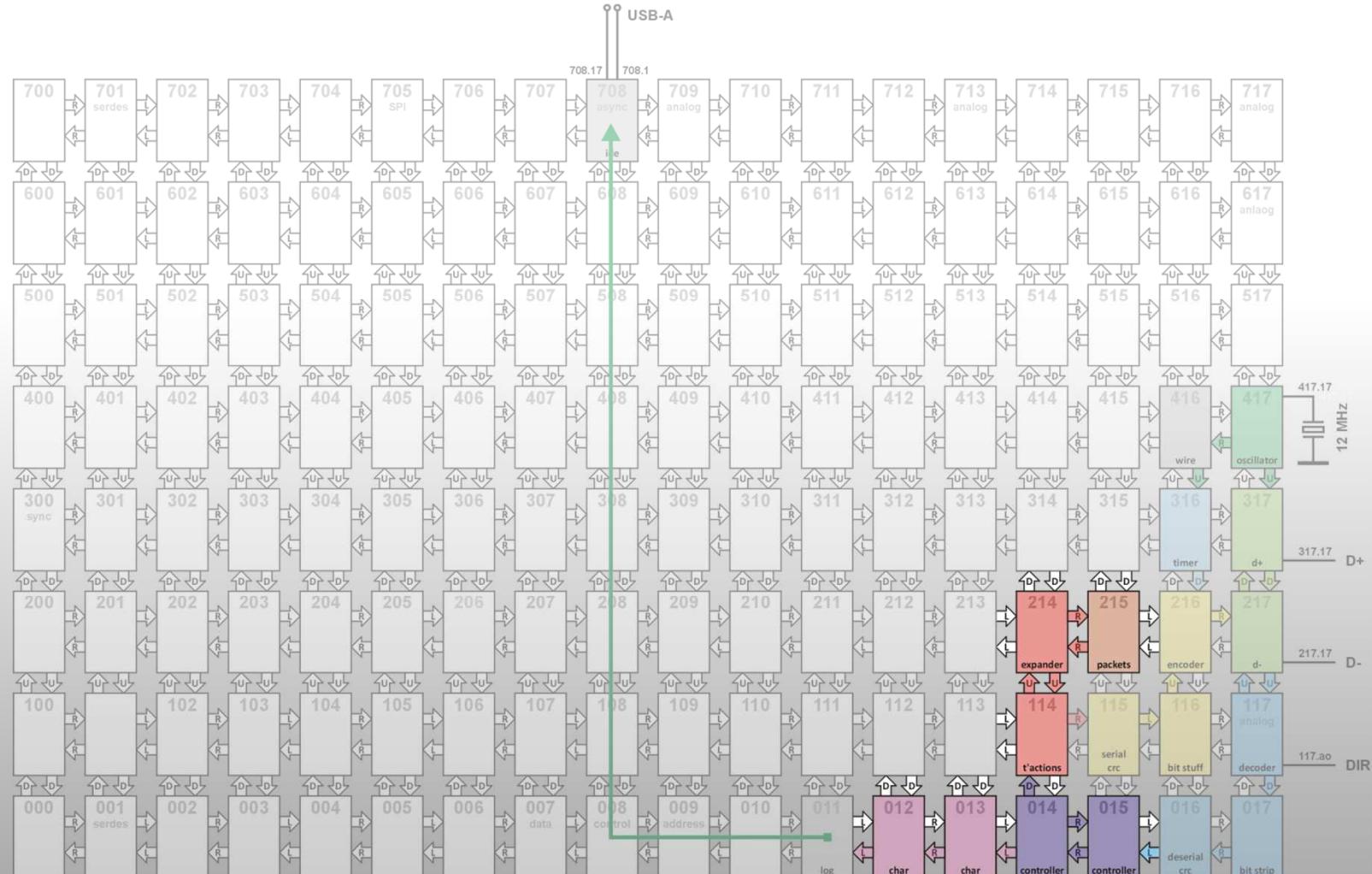
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## serial interface engine



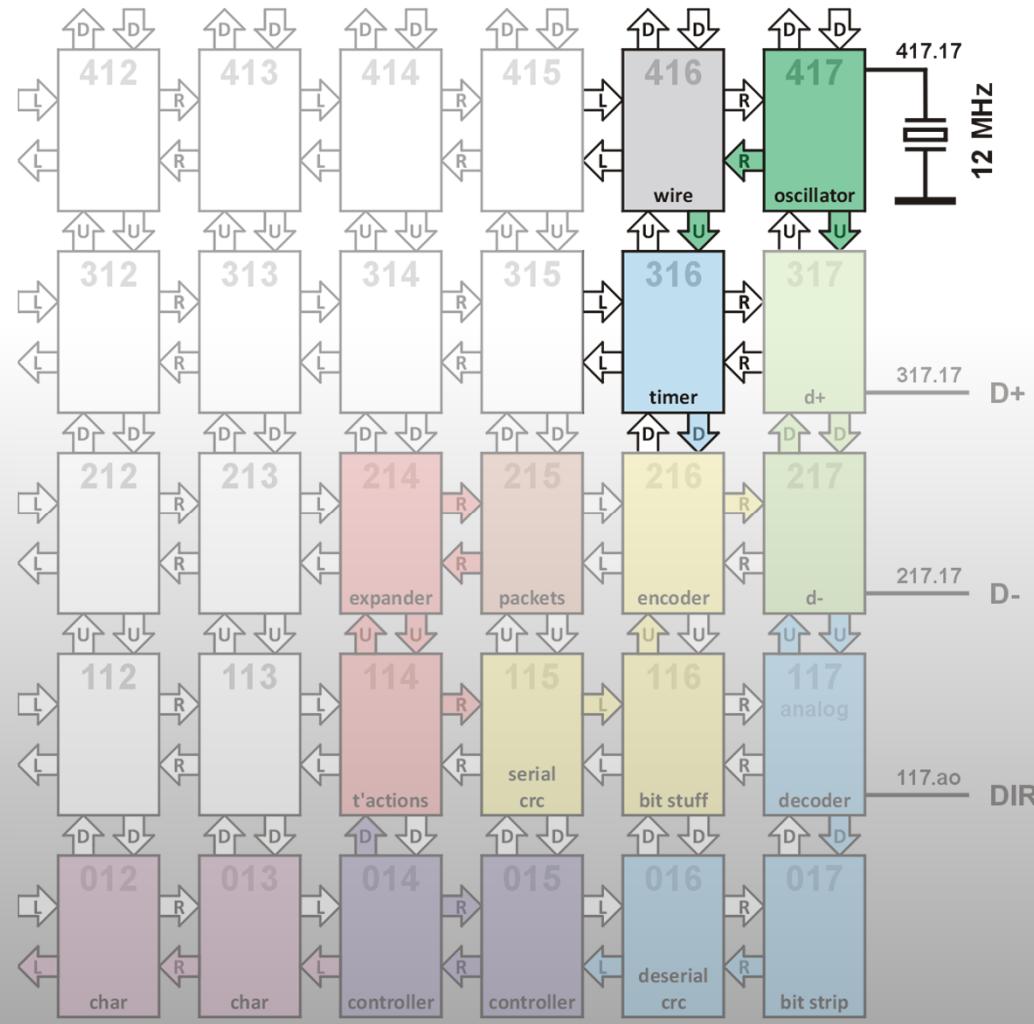
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## keyboard controller



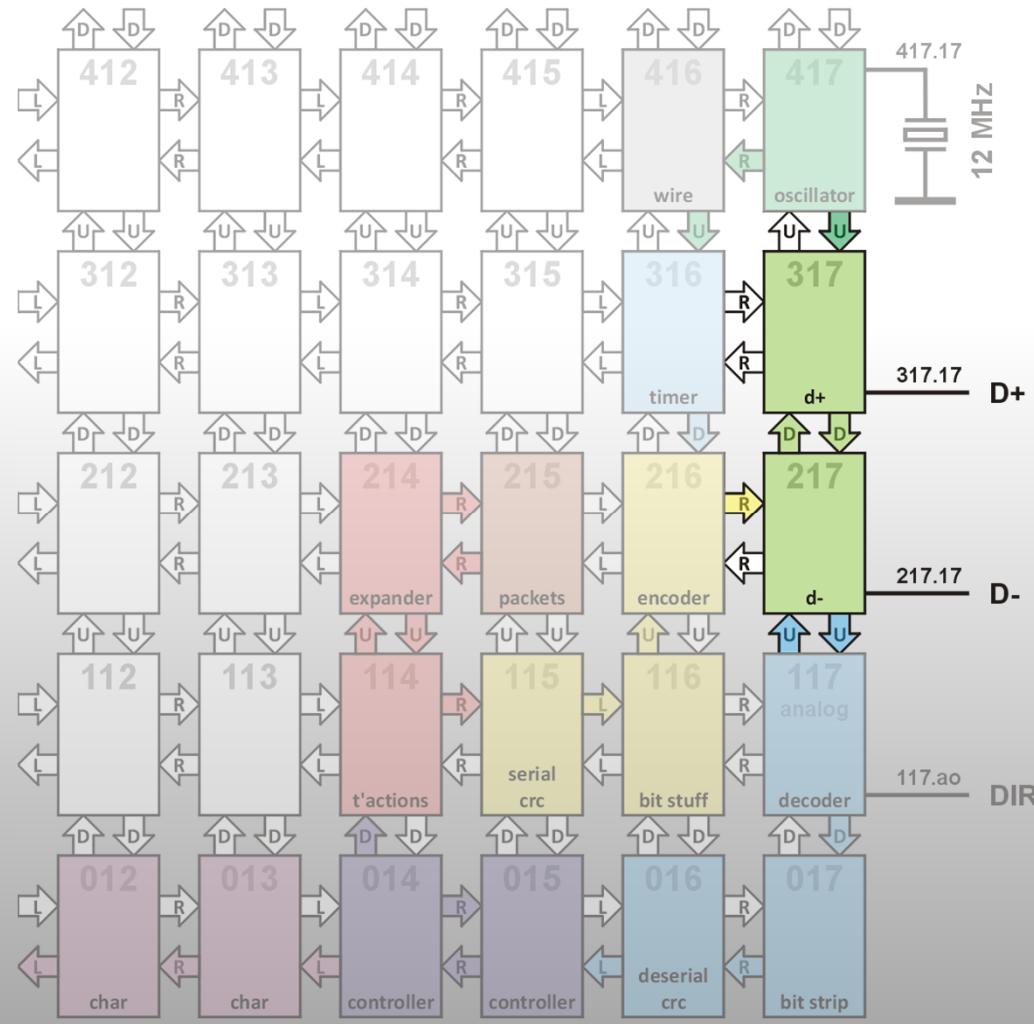
# *floorplan*

## *serial interface engine - clock*



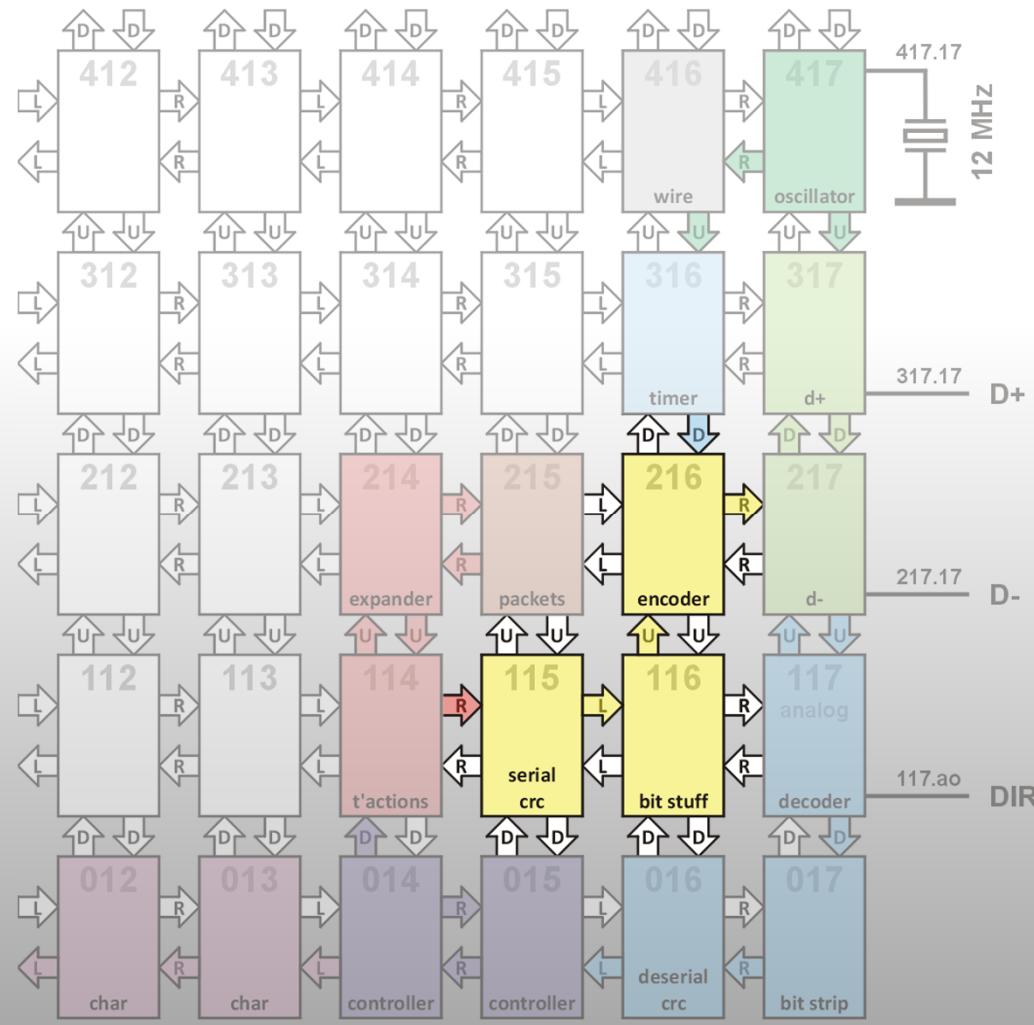
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## serial interface engine - transceivers



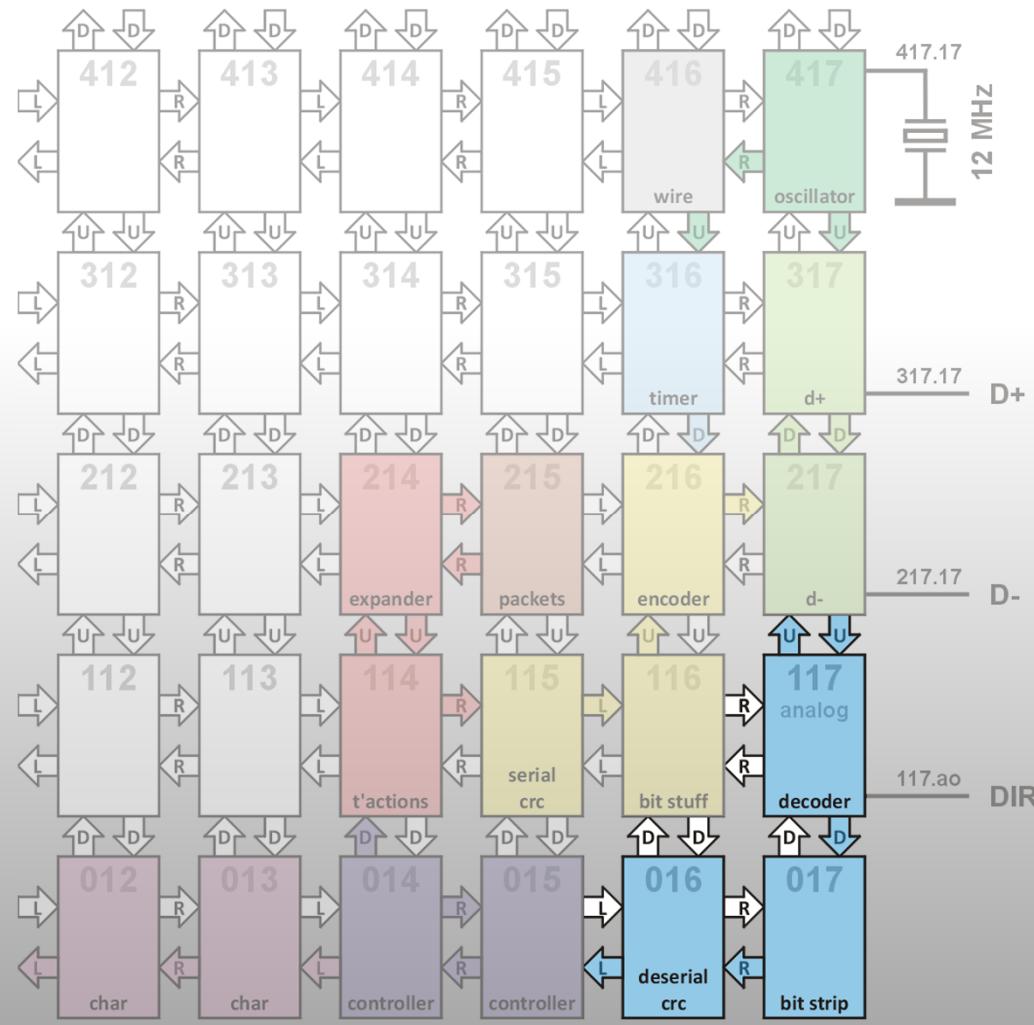
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## serial interface engine - transmit paths



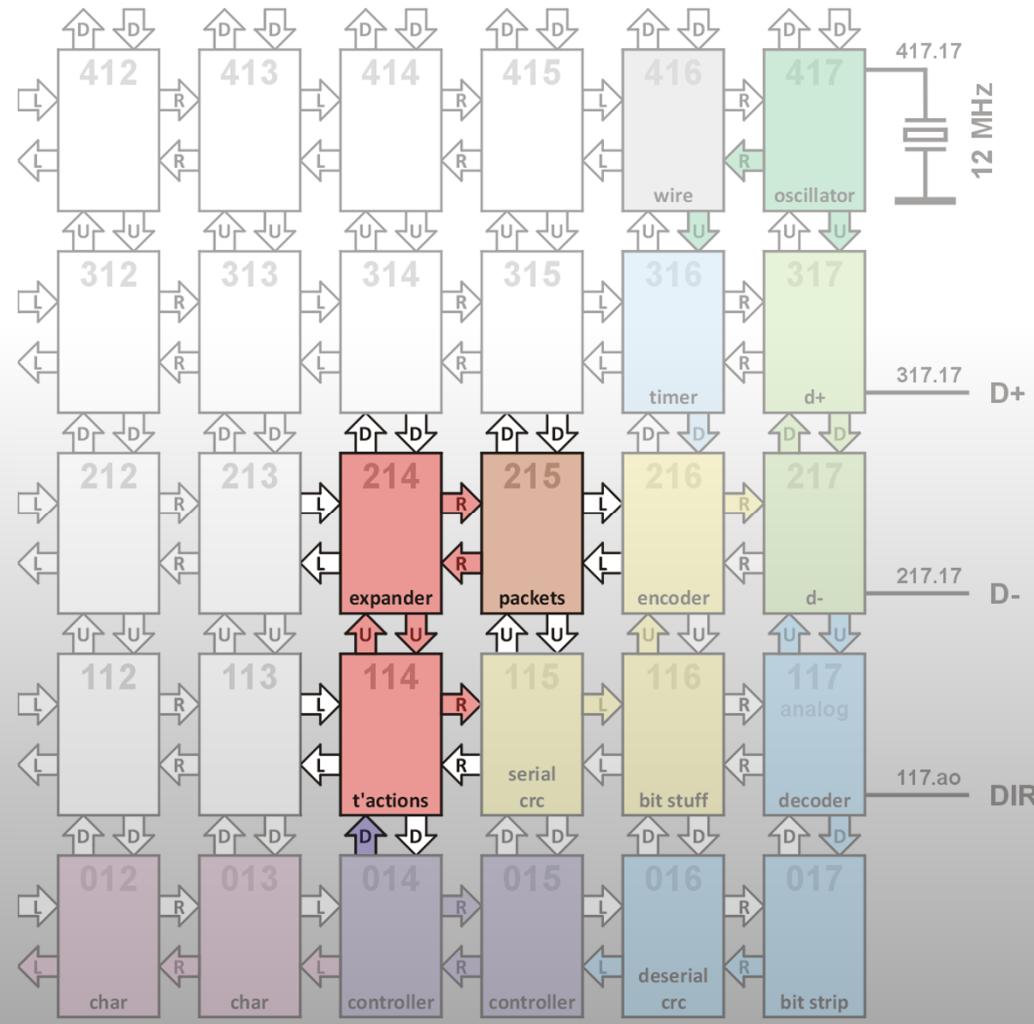
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## serial interface engine - receive paths



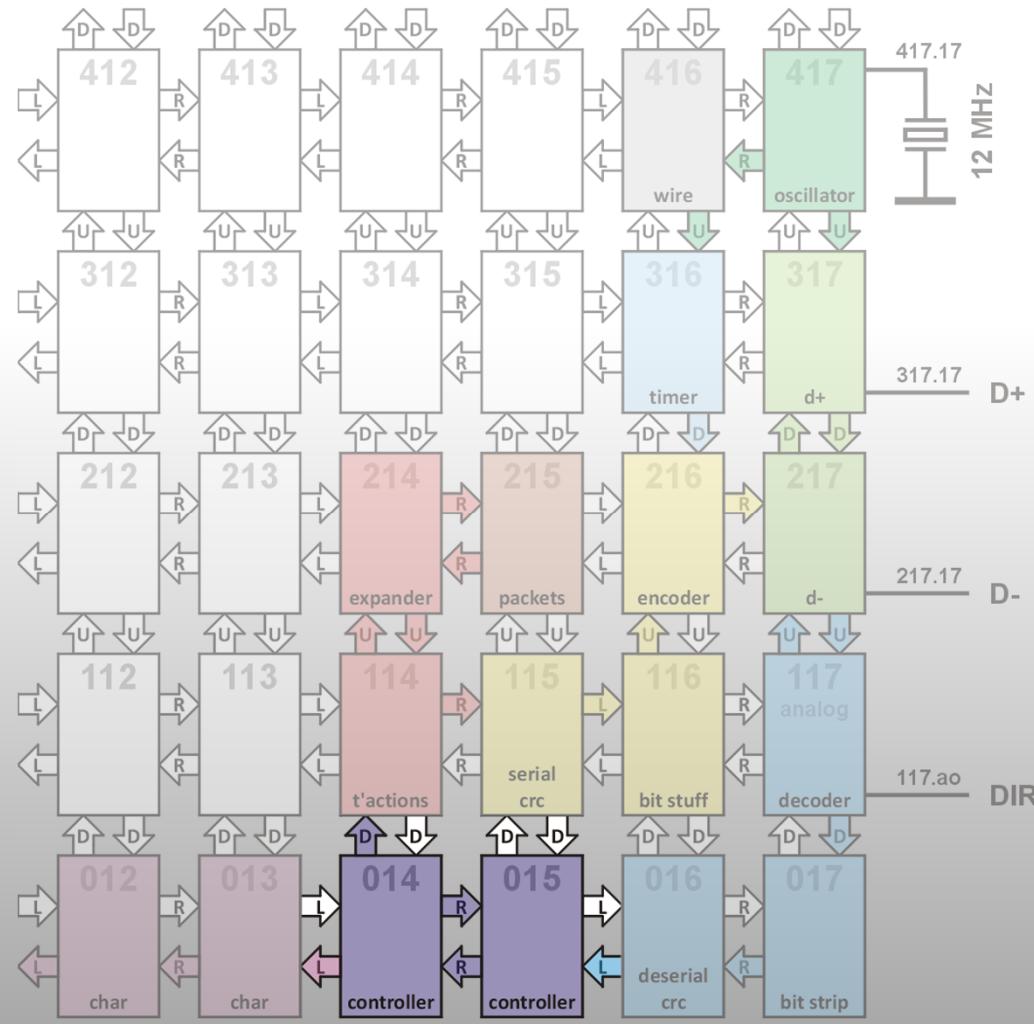
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## keyboard controller – packets, transactions



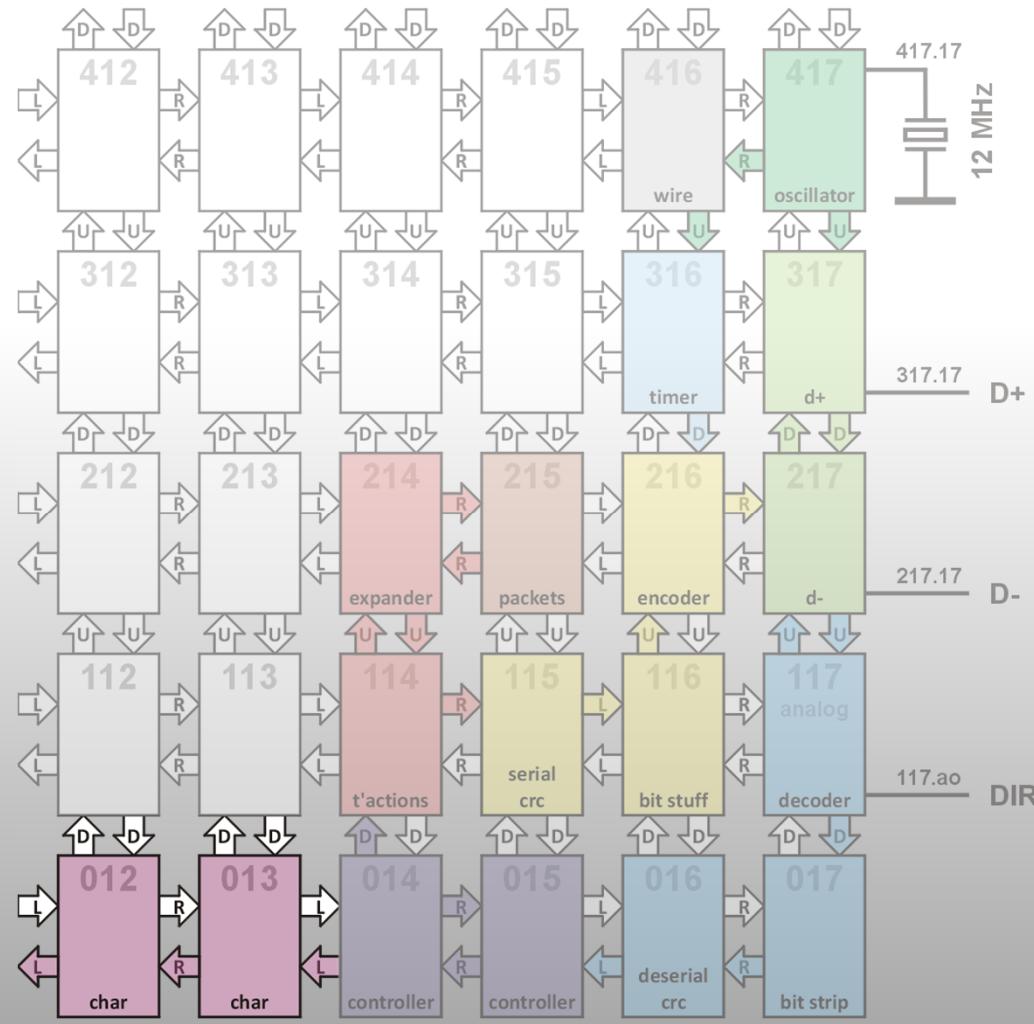
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## *keyboard controller - controller*



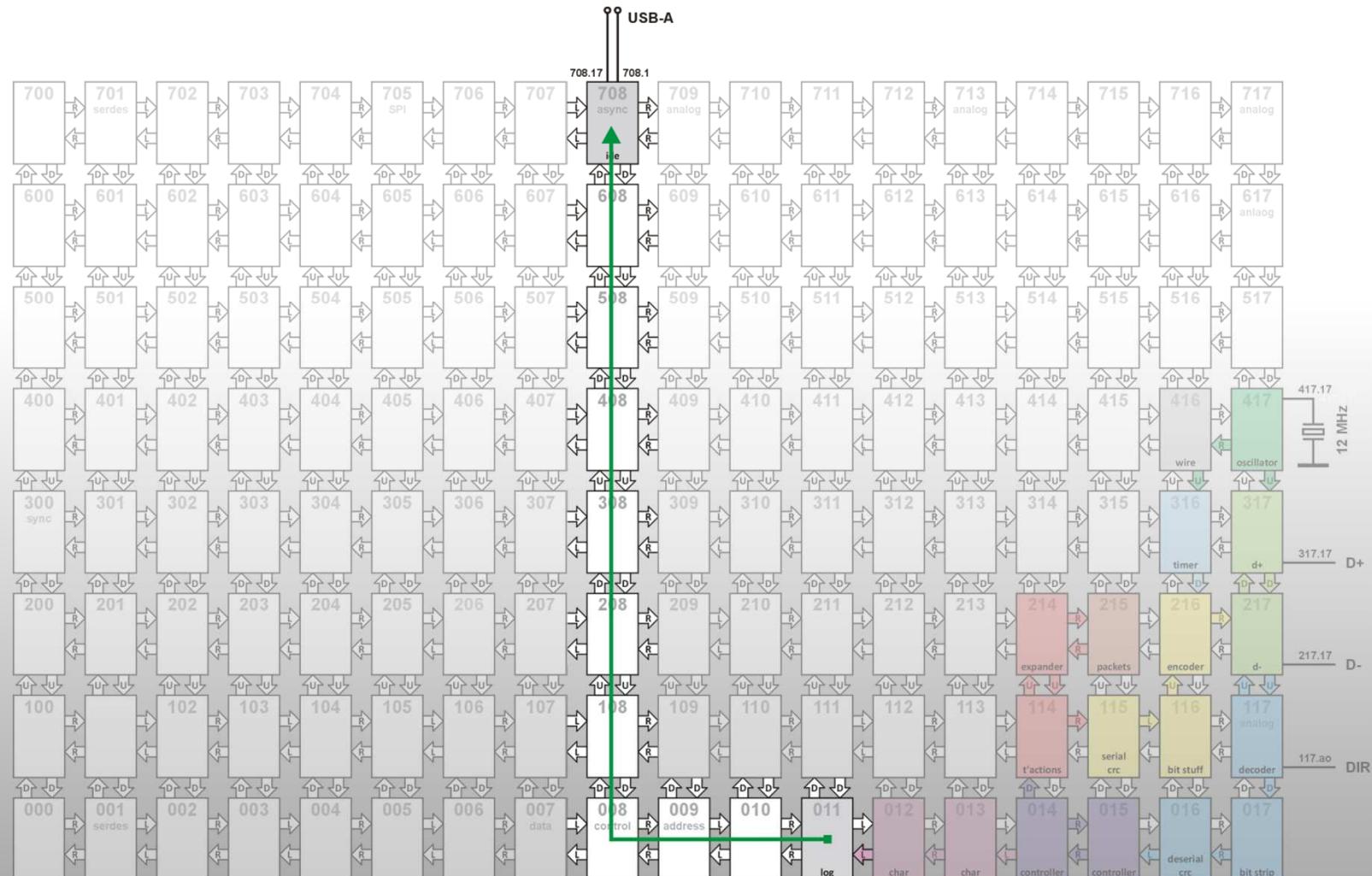
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## *keyboard controller – character decoder*



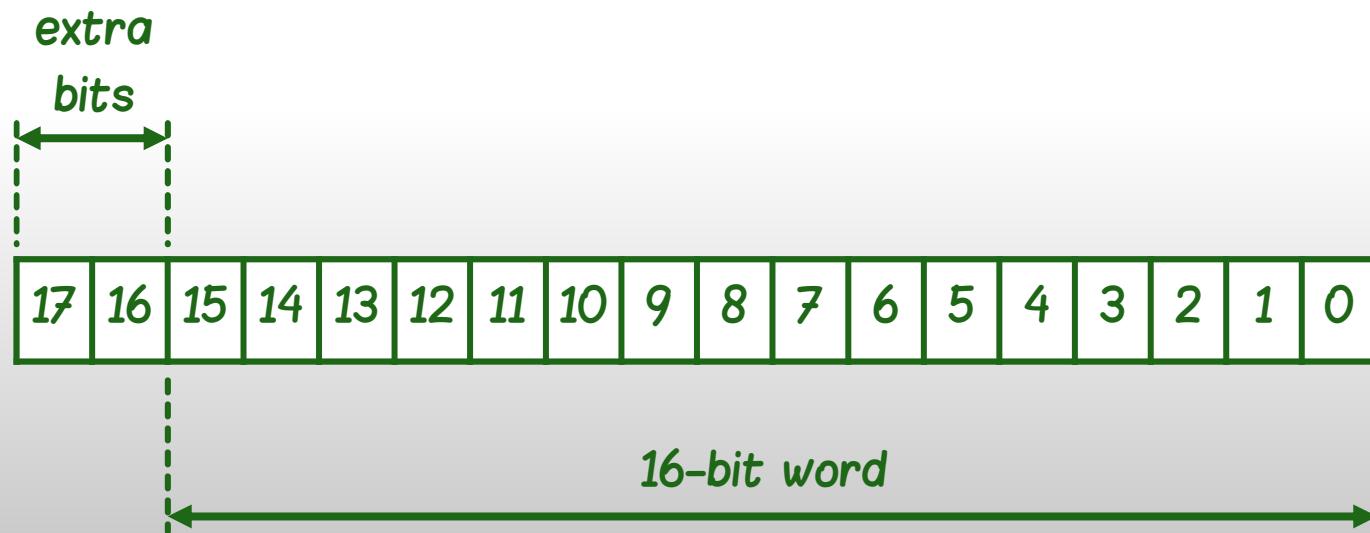
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[link to arrayForth IDE](#)



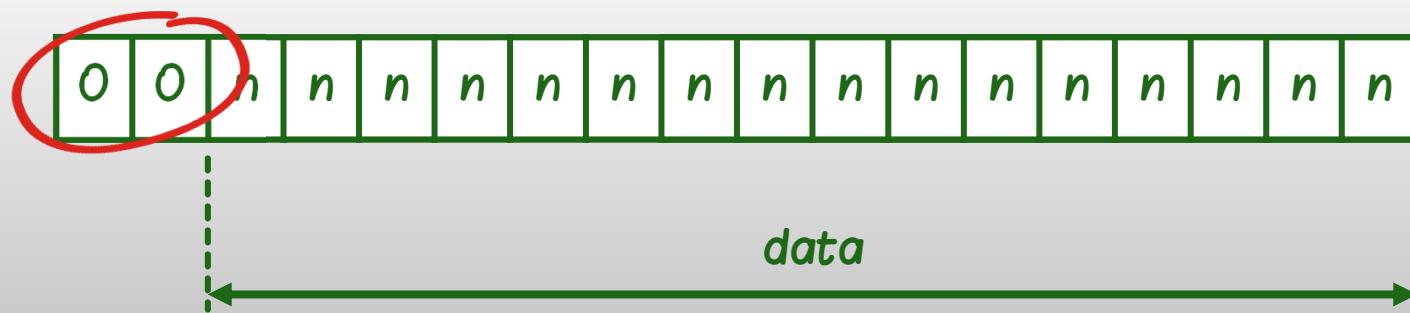
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unconventional 18-bit word in GA144*



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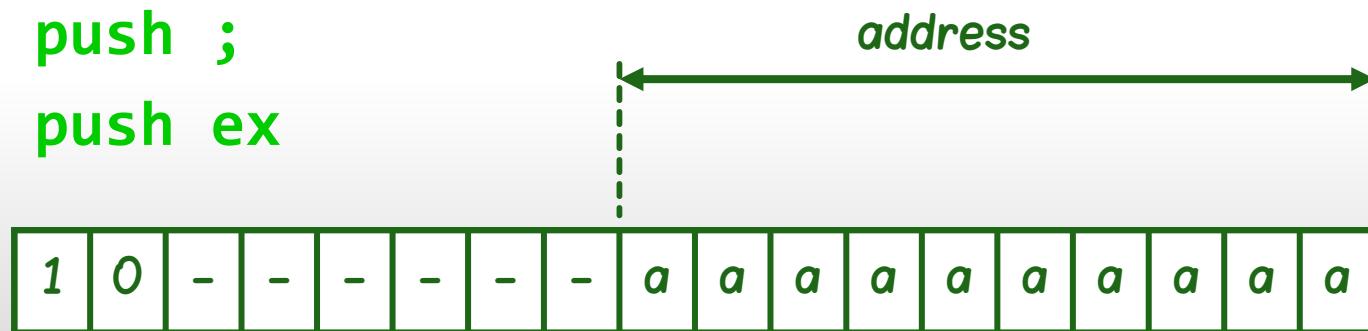
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**push ;**  
**push ex**



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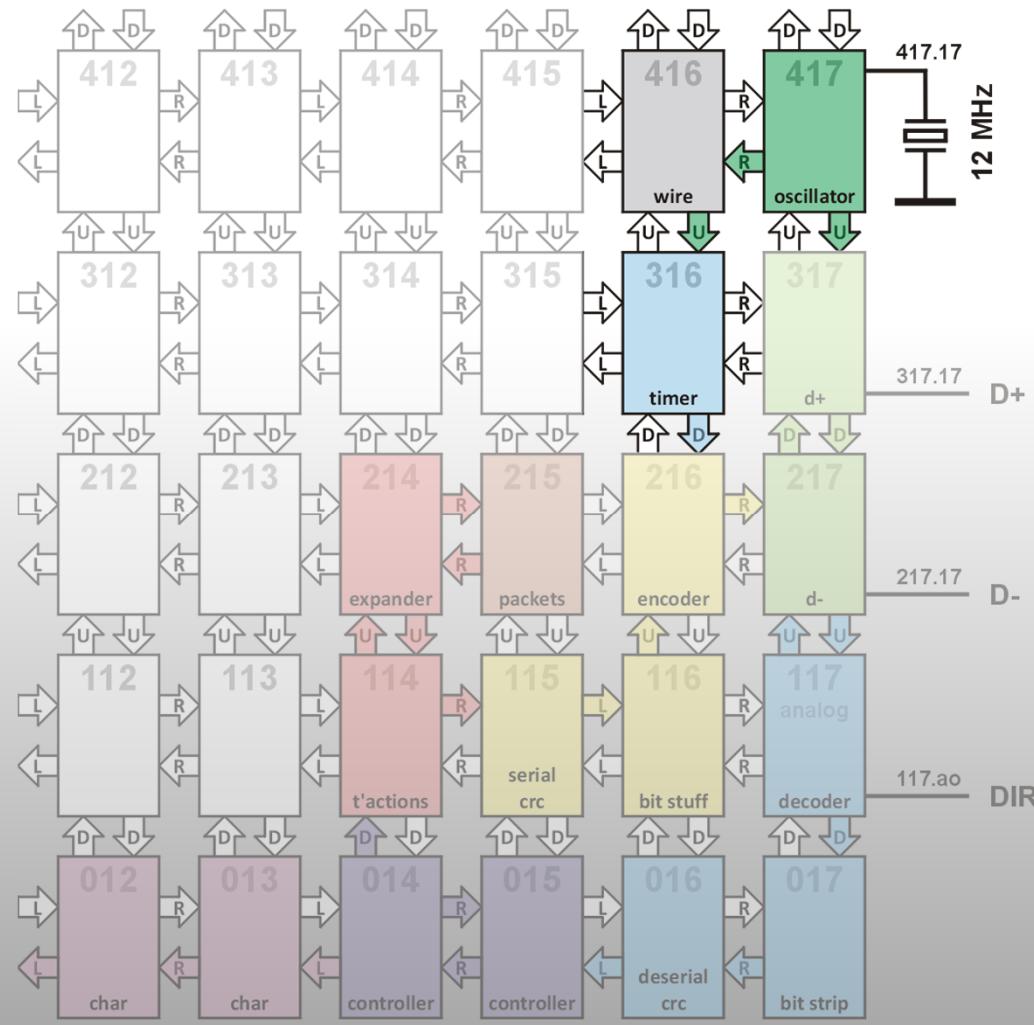
# *data*

## command or message

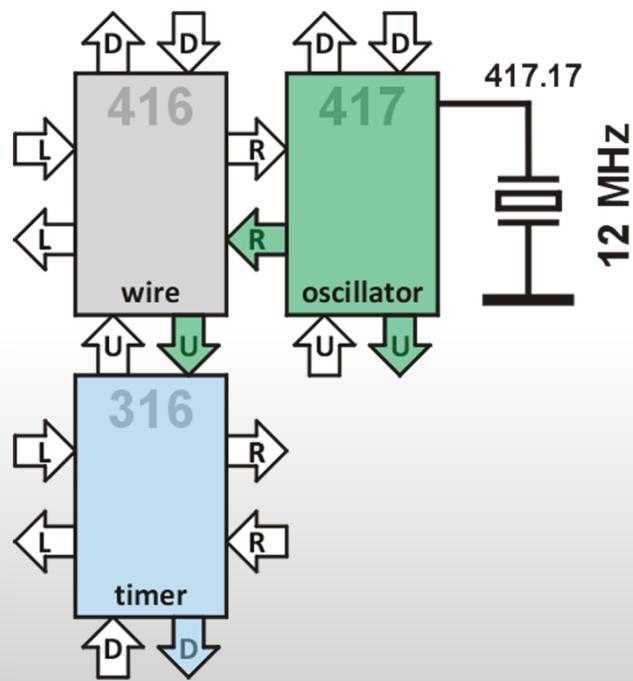
# **IMPLEMENTATION**

*part I  
serial interface engine*

# clock



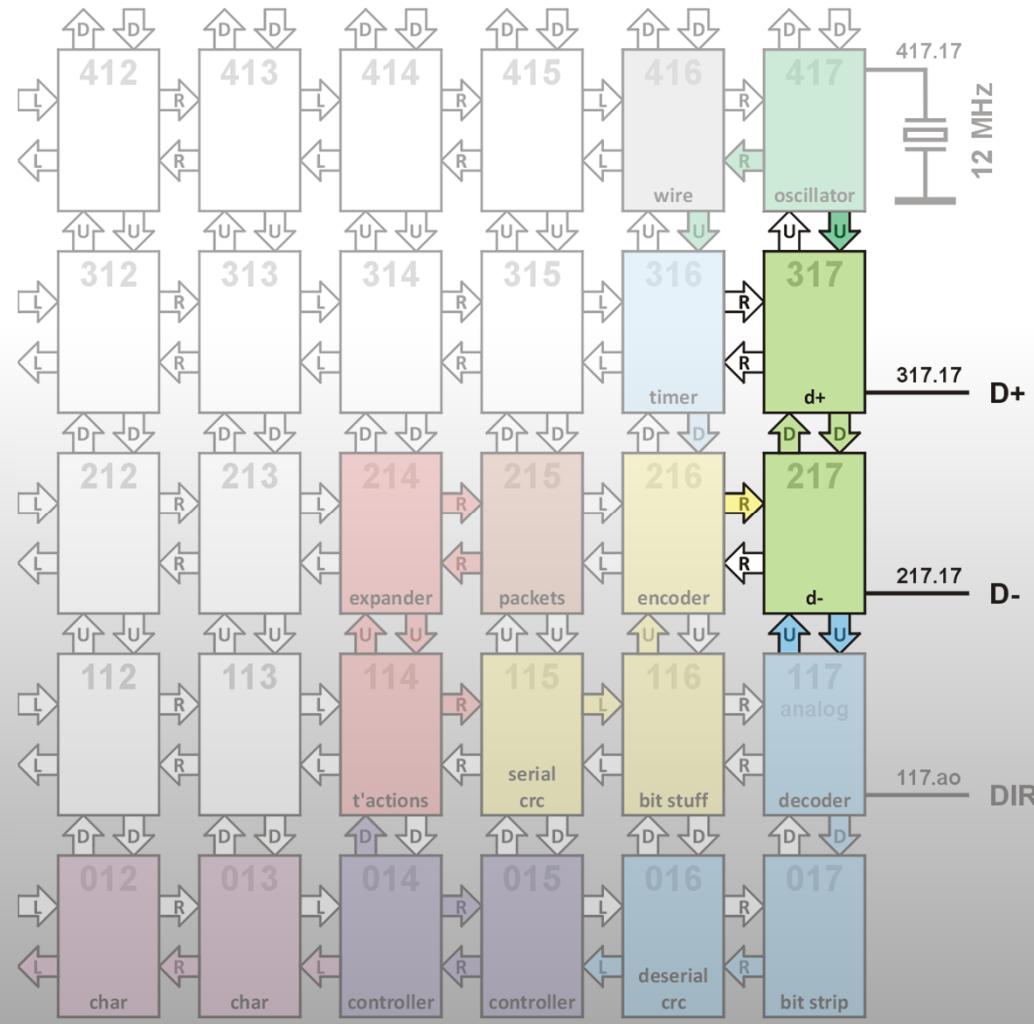
# clock



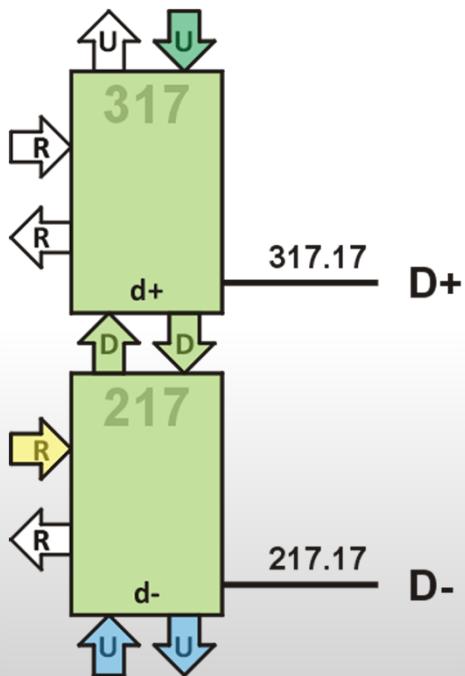
12 MHz ceramic resonator  
double frequency signal to 317  
 $T = 41.7 \text{ ns}$   
low speed rate 1.5 Mb/s  
bit time =  $16T$   
1 ms timer signal to 216

adapted from GreenArrays App Note 012

# transceivers



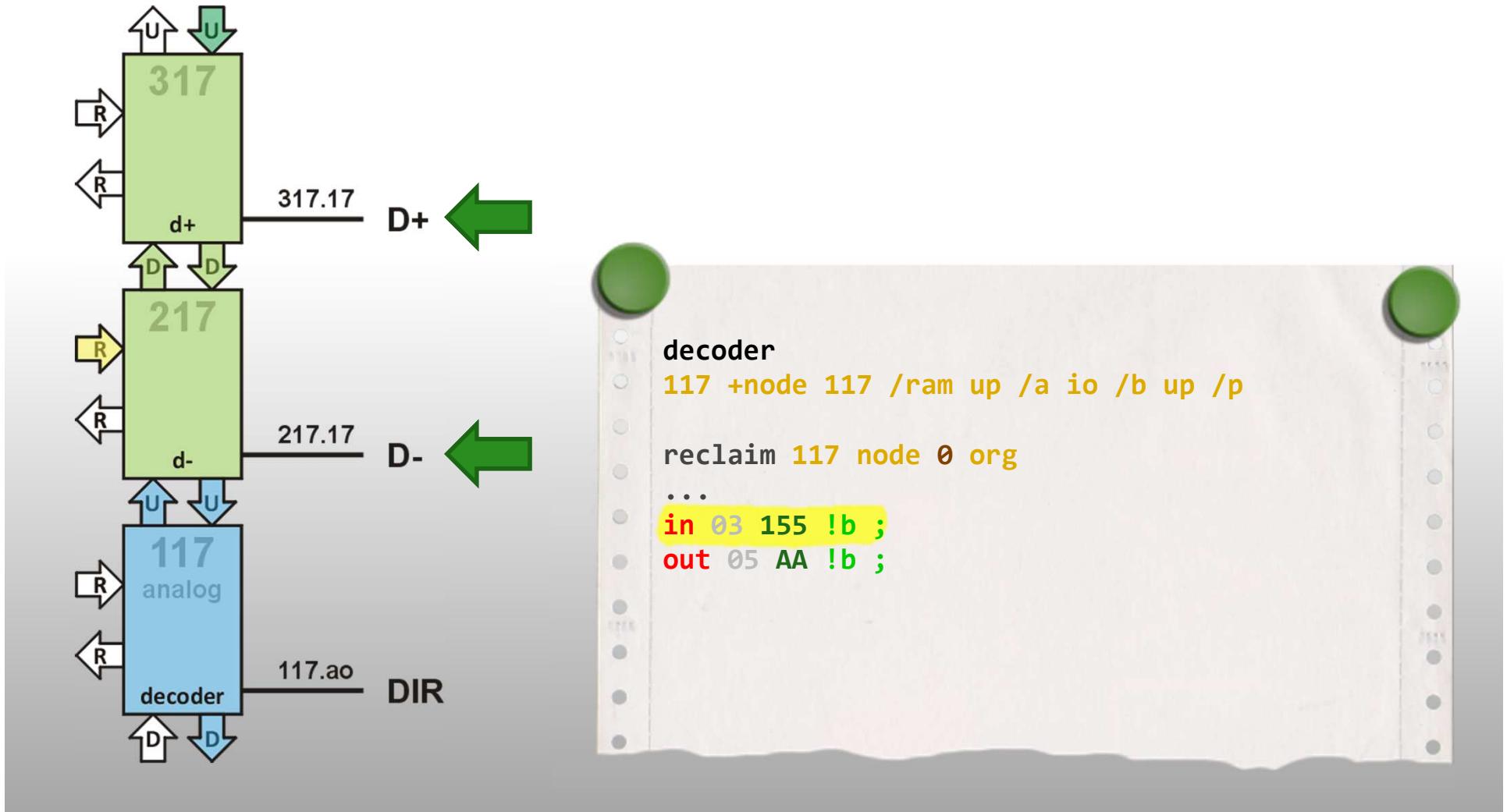
# transceivers



*GPIO pins to D+ and D-*  
*24 MHz clock via up port of 317*  
*317 controlled via down port*  
*when transmitting 217 controlled*  
*via right port*  
*when receiving 217 controlled via*  
*up port*  
*GPIO pins are initialized in weak*  
*pulldown mode*  
*GPIO in 217 detects device*  
*attachment*

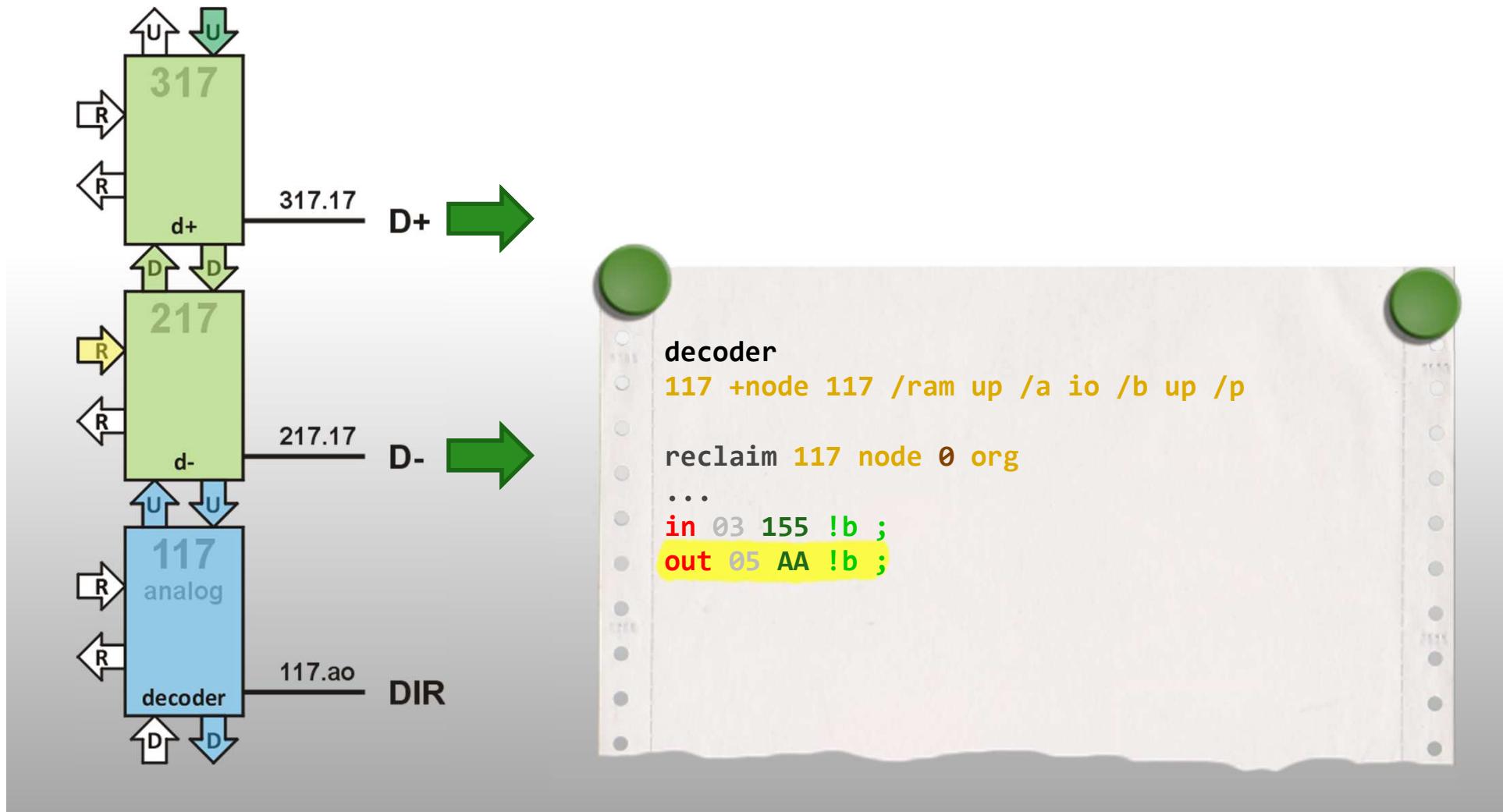
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bus direction



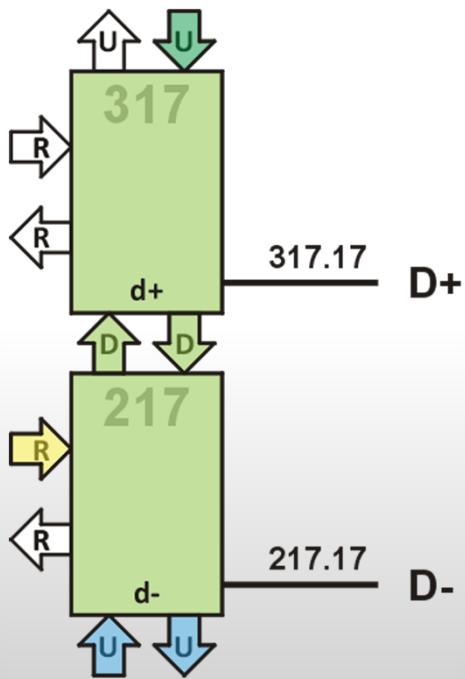
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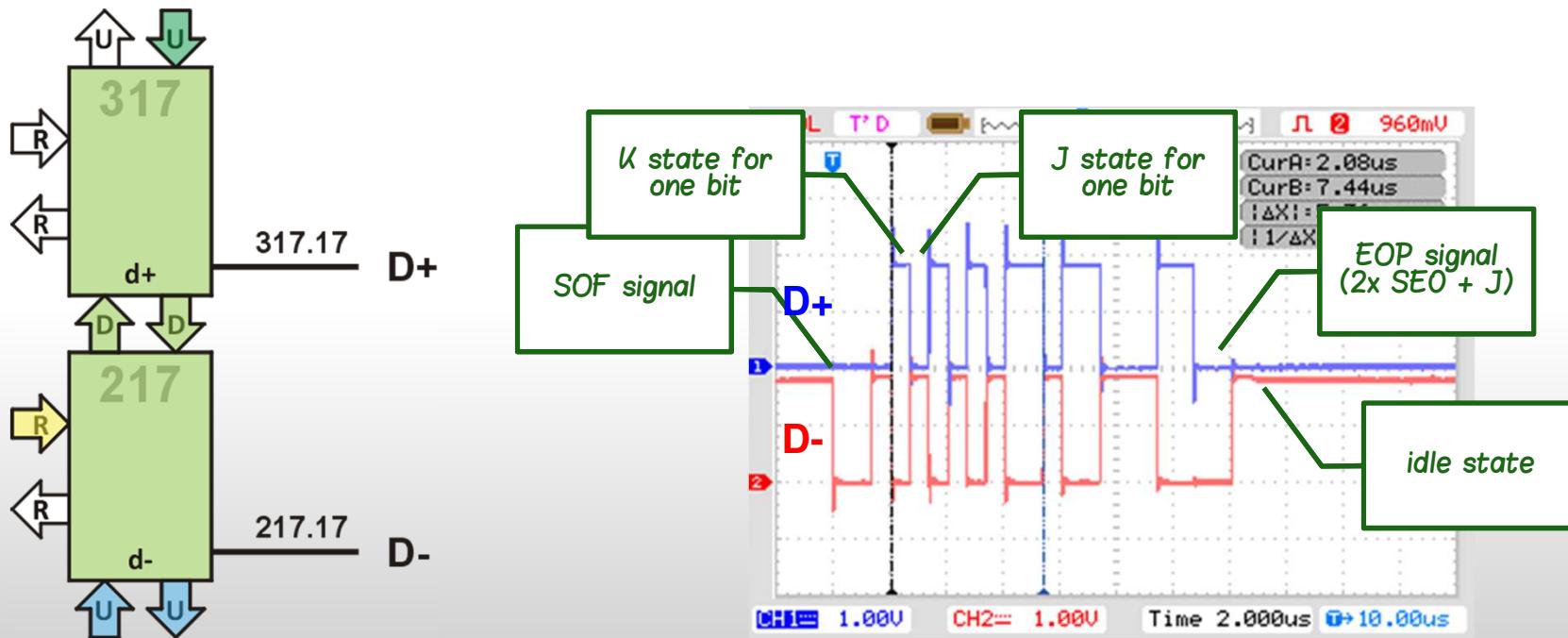
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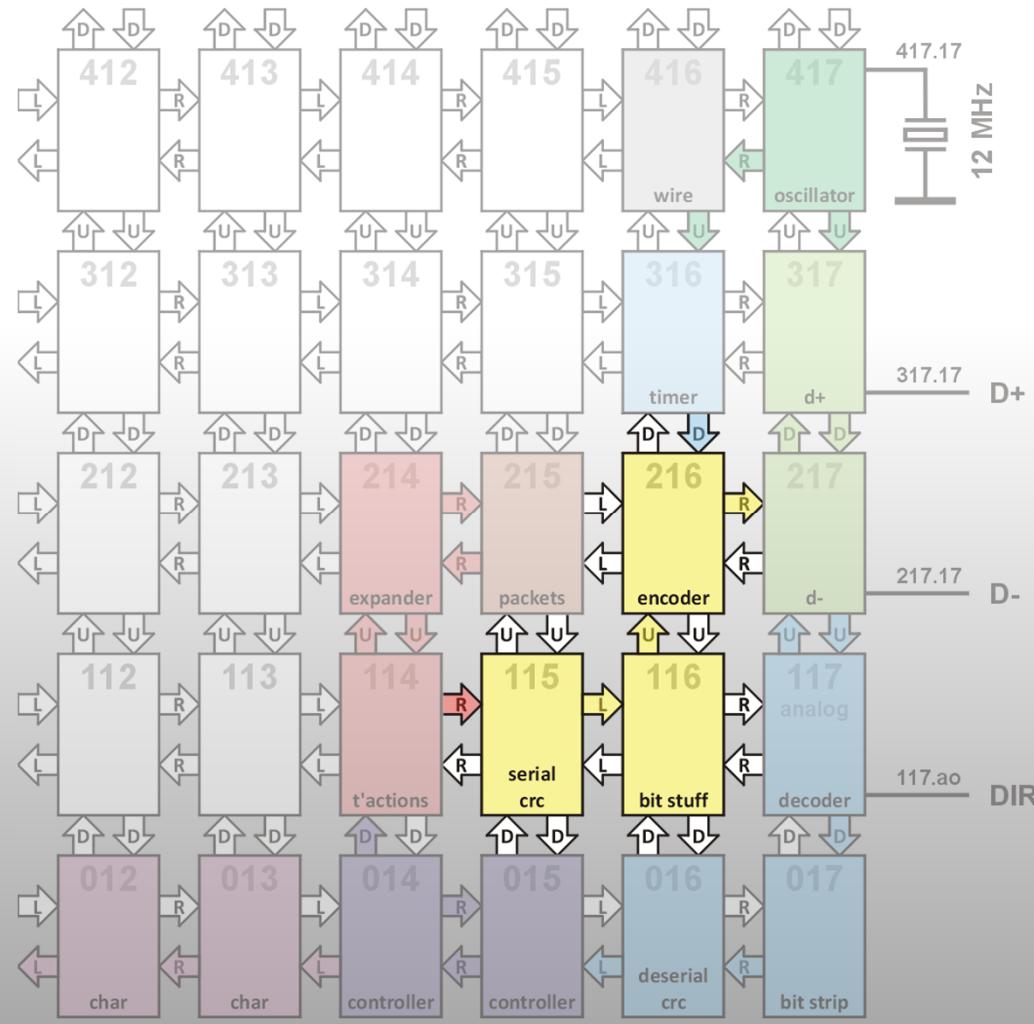
A screenshot of a terminal window showing serial port activity. The terminal displays several lines of text in colored code (yellow, green, red, grey). The text includes commands like 'd+ 317 +node 317 /ram up /a io /b 2A idl /p', 'reclaim 317 node 22 org k? 0 org', 'bit 00 15 for @ unext -d-- ;', '+j 04 20000 !b bit ;', '+k 06 30000 !b bit ;', '...', 'idle 2A 10000 !b -d-- ;', 'd- 217 +node 217 /ram io /b 38 go /p', 'reclaim 217 node 0 org', 'send 00 a up a! over ! a! ;', 'j 03 @p ! . . +j 30000 !b 13405 send ;', 'k 09 @p ! . . +k begin 20000 !b 13405 send ;', 'se0 0F @p ! . . +j end', and 'idle 12 @p ! . . idl 10000 !b 13403 send ;'. The terminal window has a light gray background with dark gray borders and a dark gray title bar.

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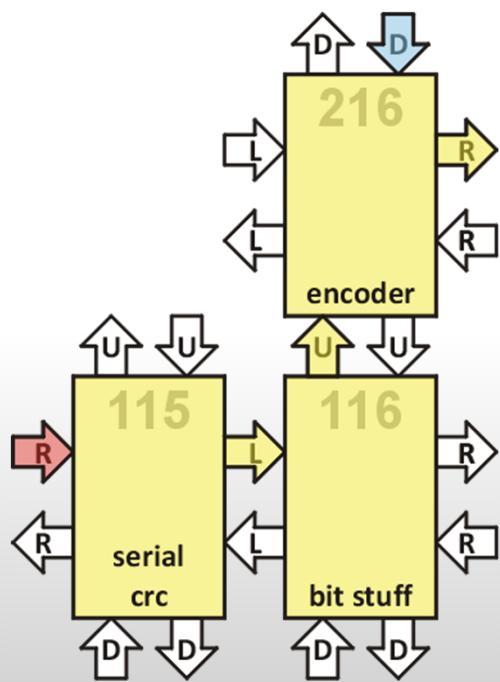


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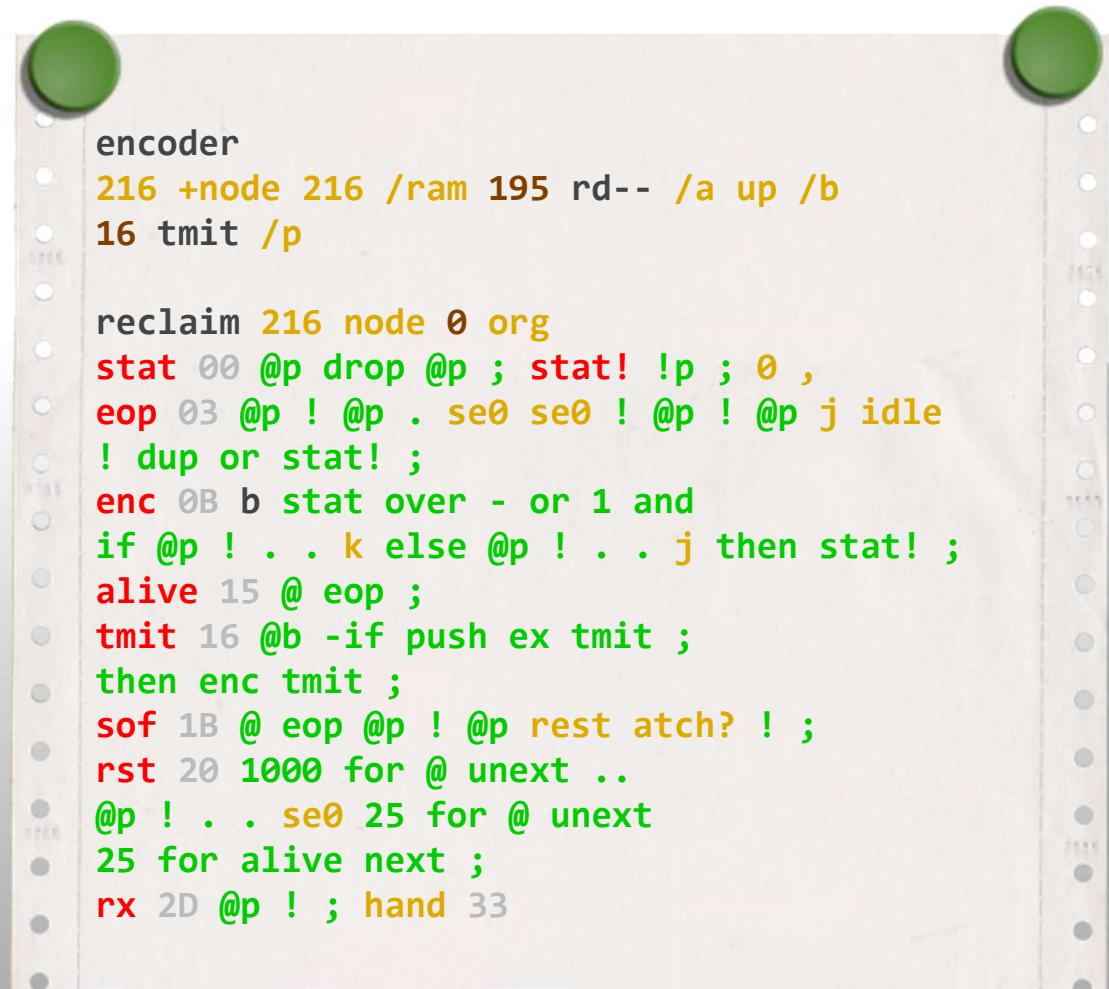
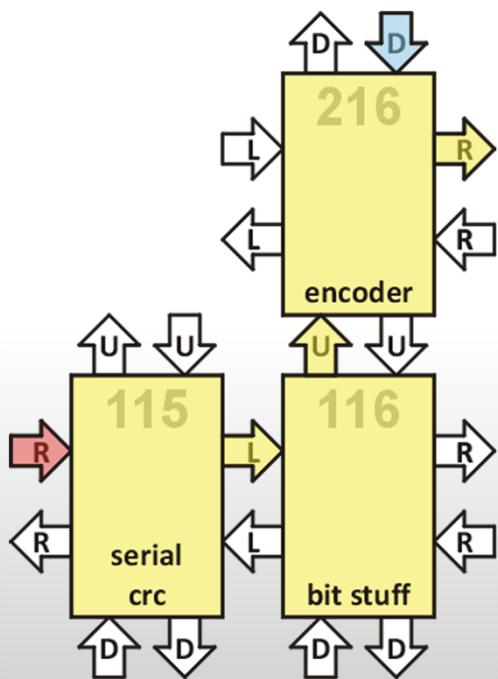
# transmit path

*receive stream of bytes  
output J and K states  
commands intertwined with data*



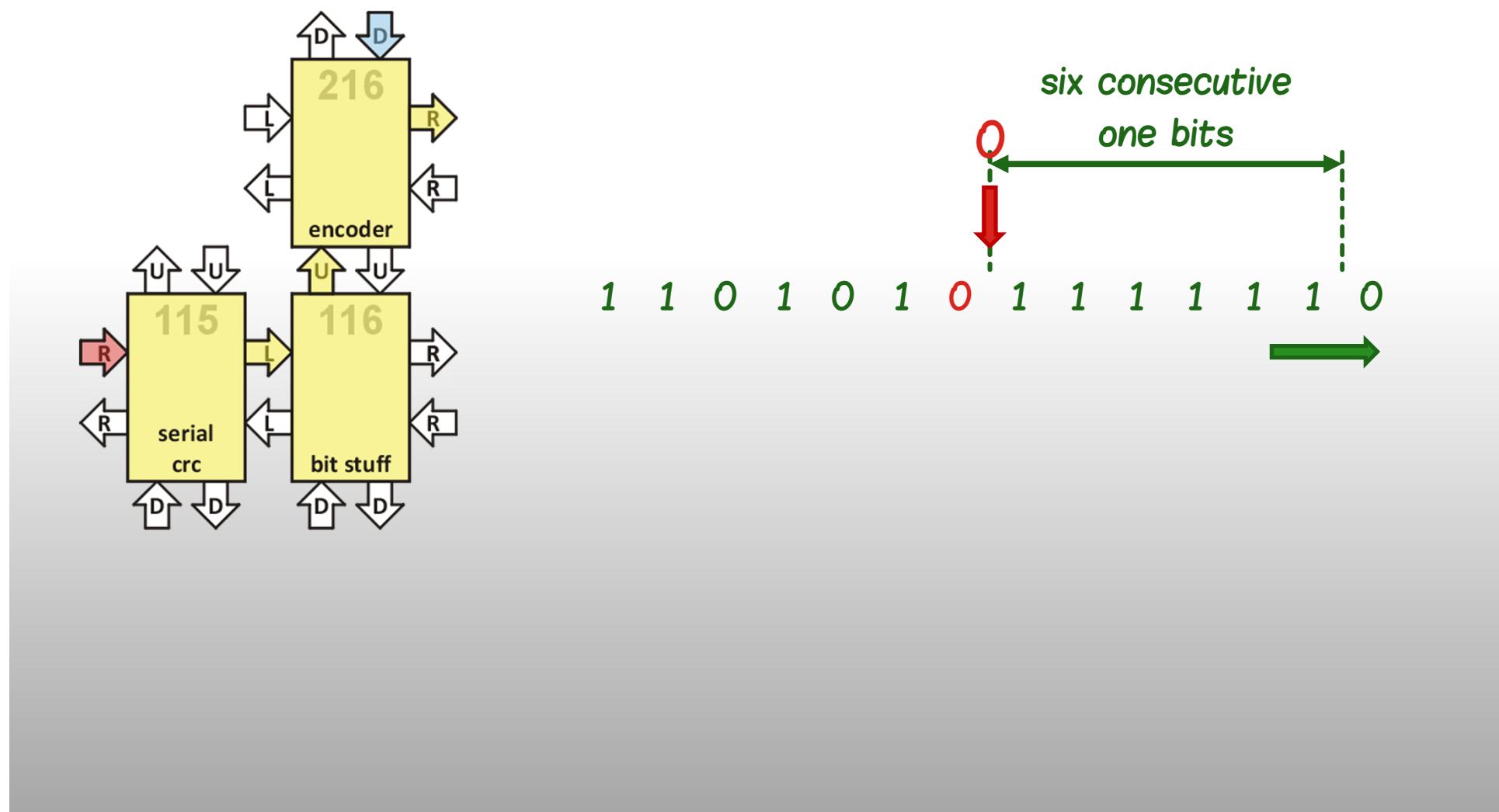
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## encoder



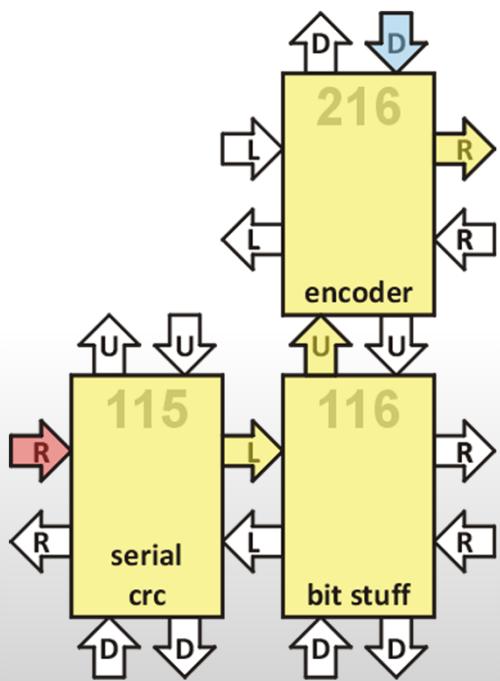
# transmit path

## bit stuffing



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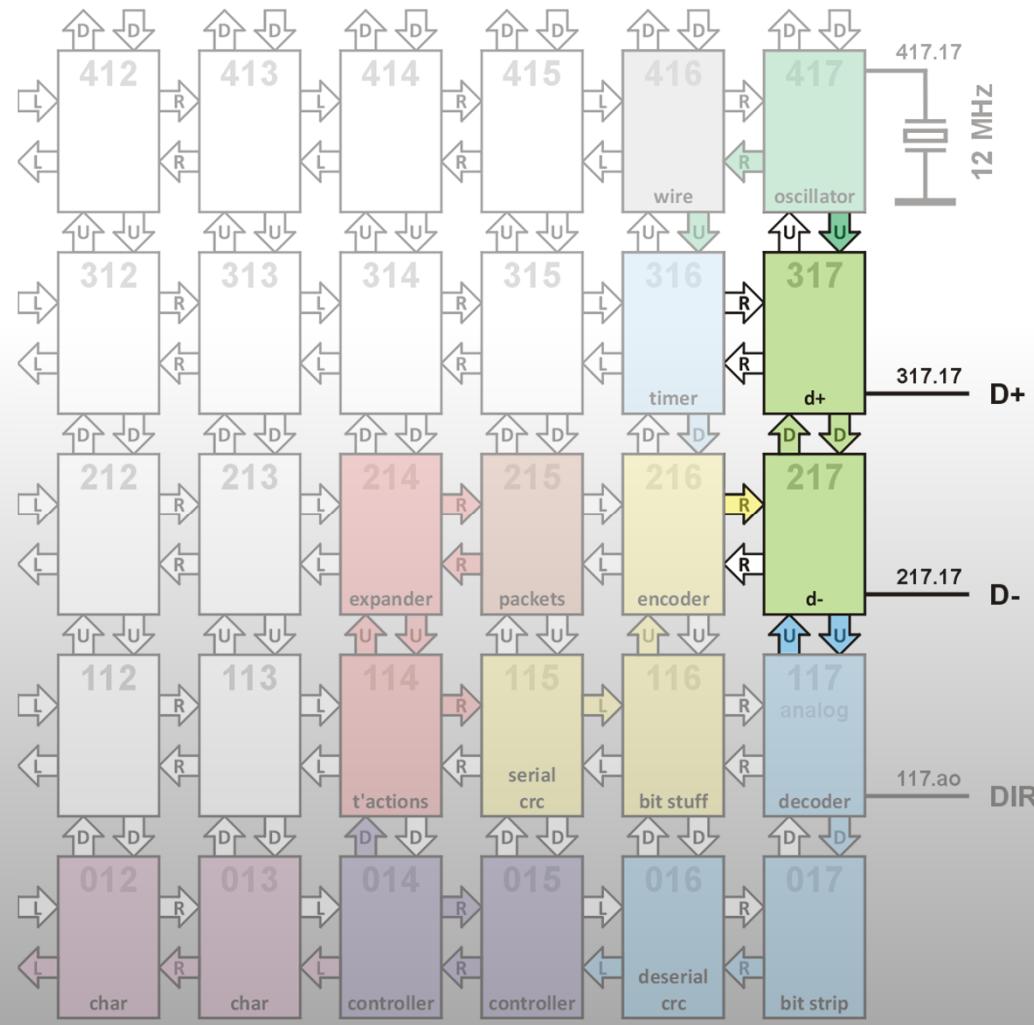
serializer + crc



*serialize bytes lsb first  
calculate crc for all bytes  
pass all commands except for*

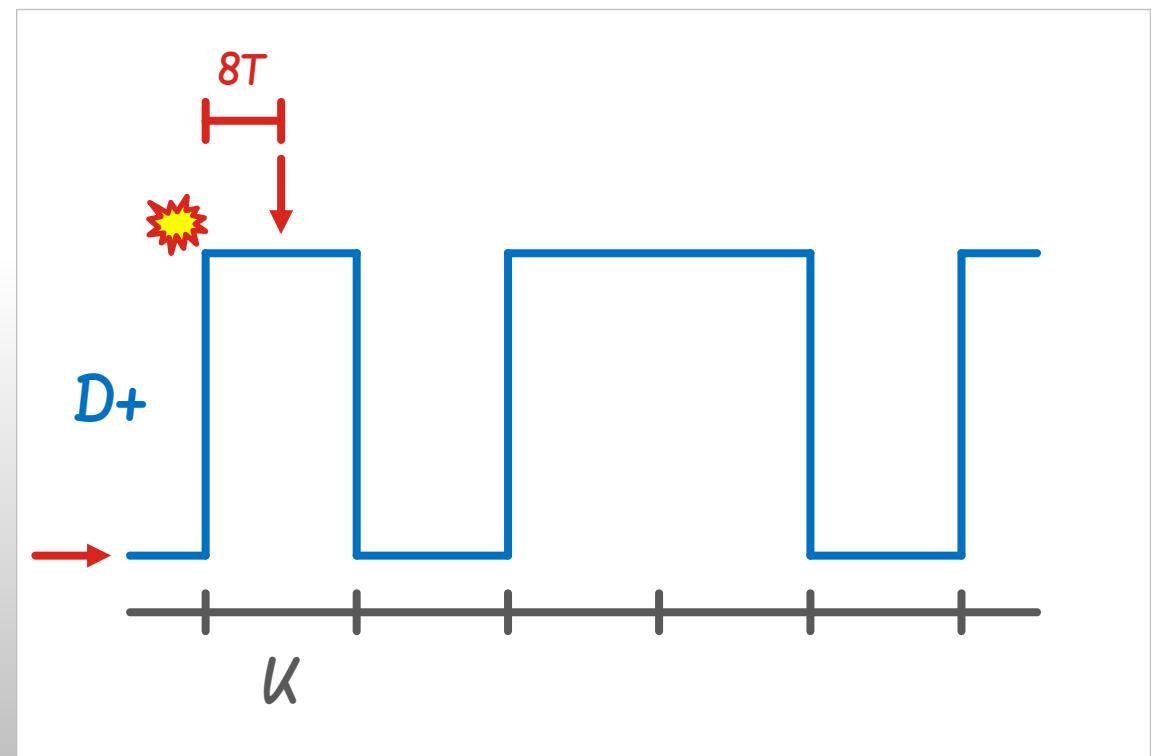
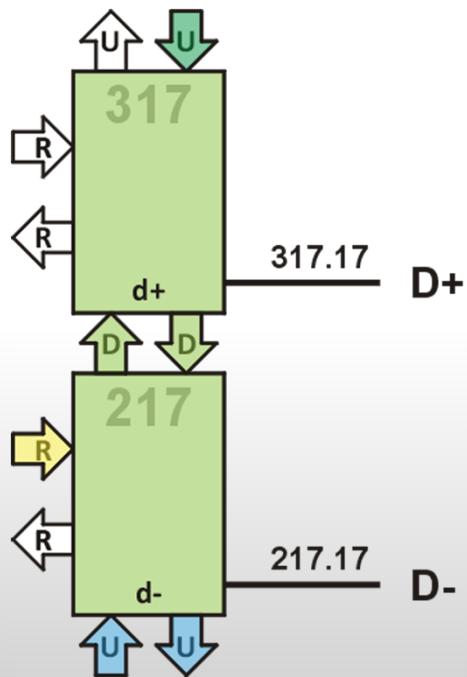
- *clear crc register: **clr***
- *send 16 crc bits out: **crc!***

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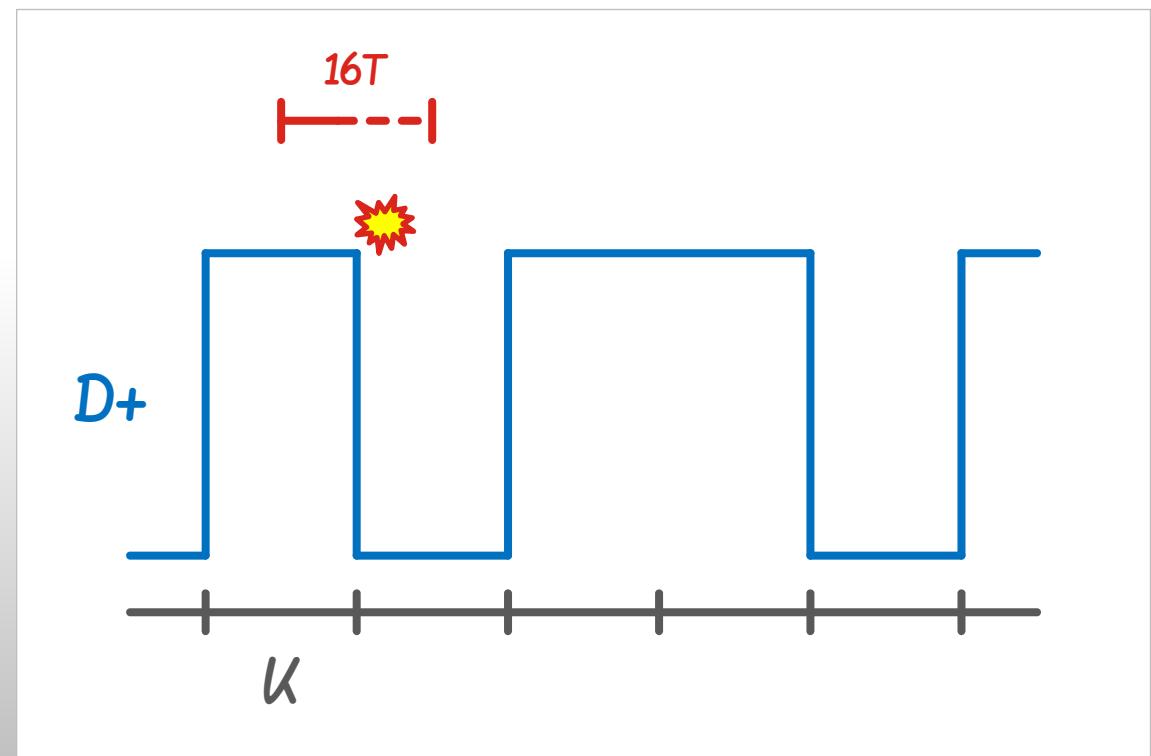
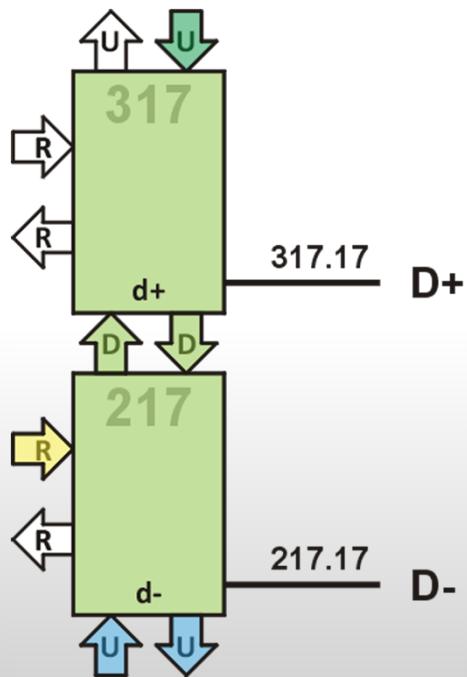
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receive mode - self-synchronizing clock



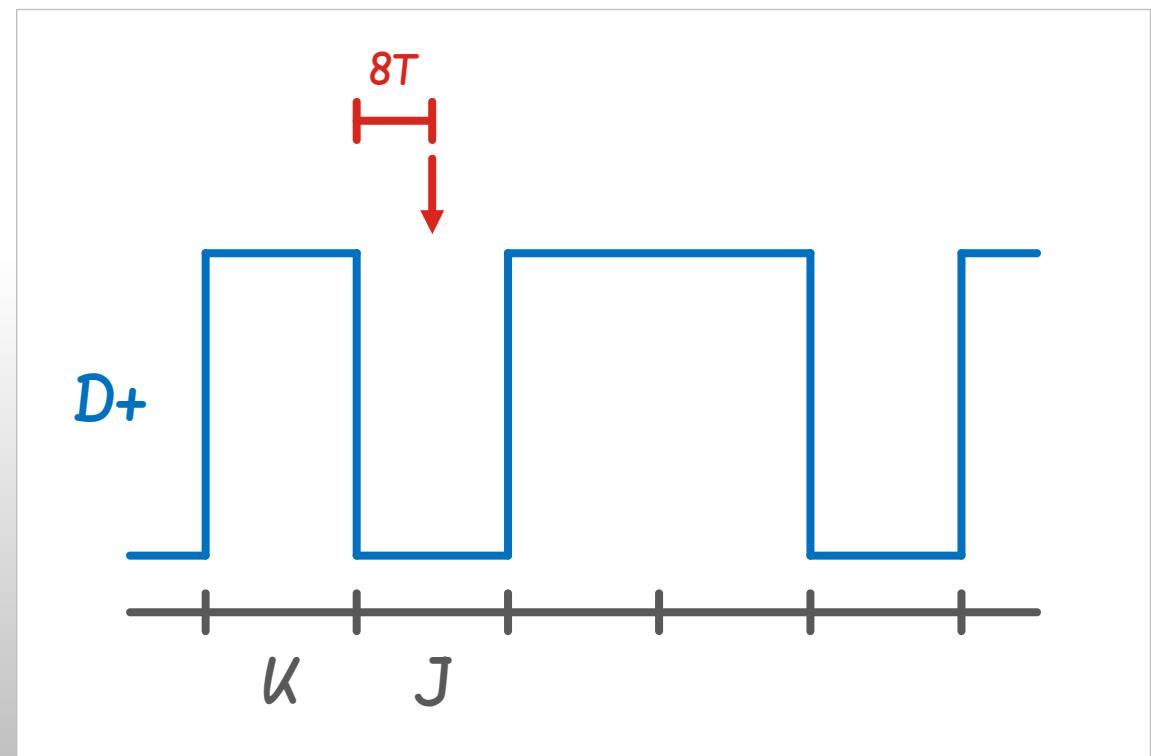
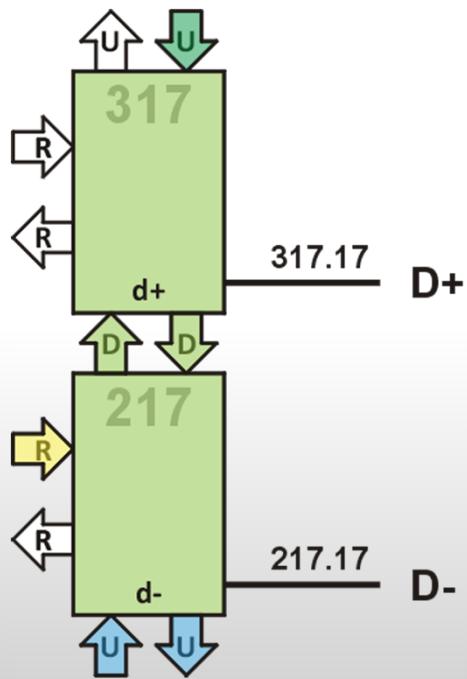
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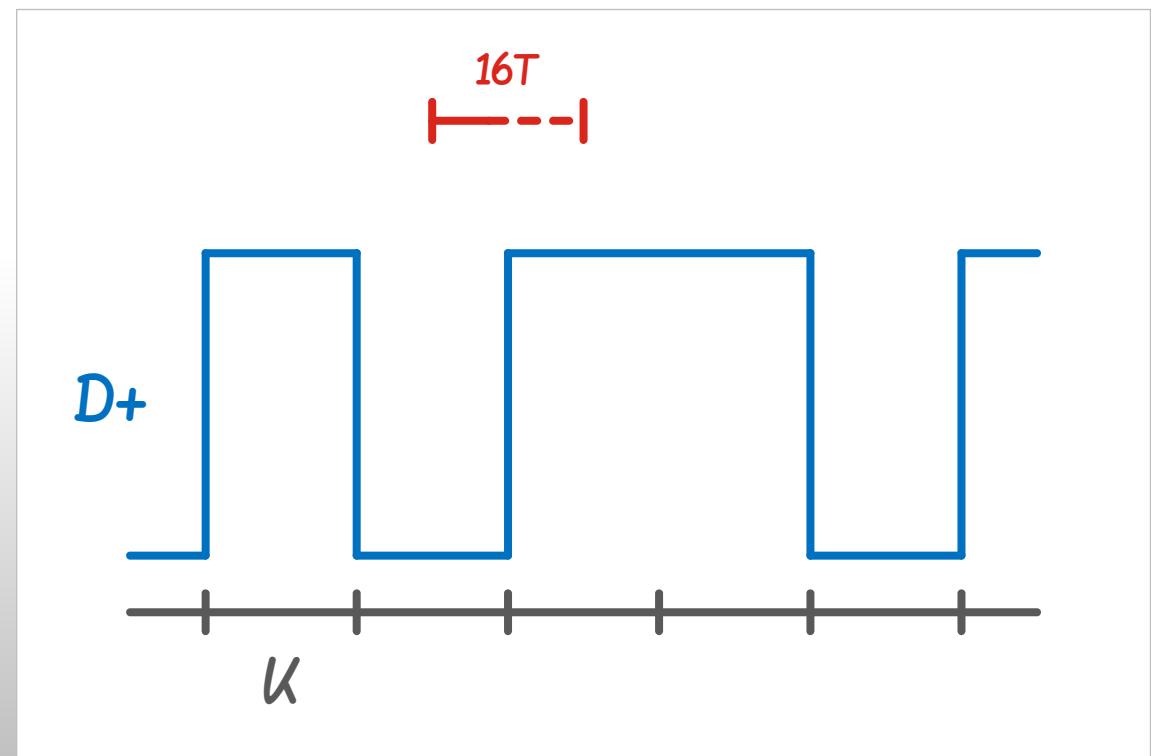
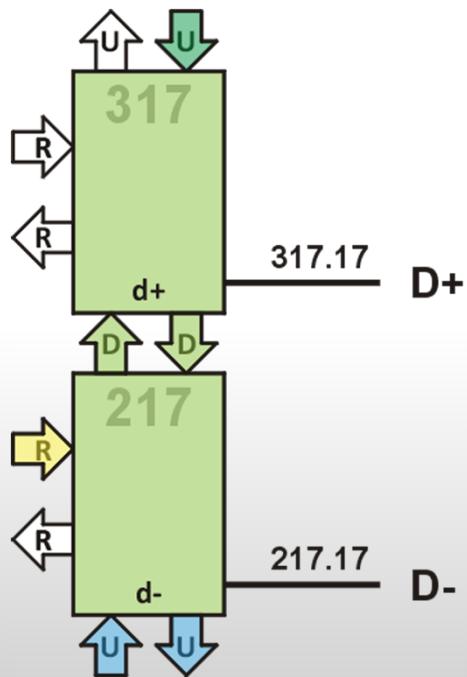
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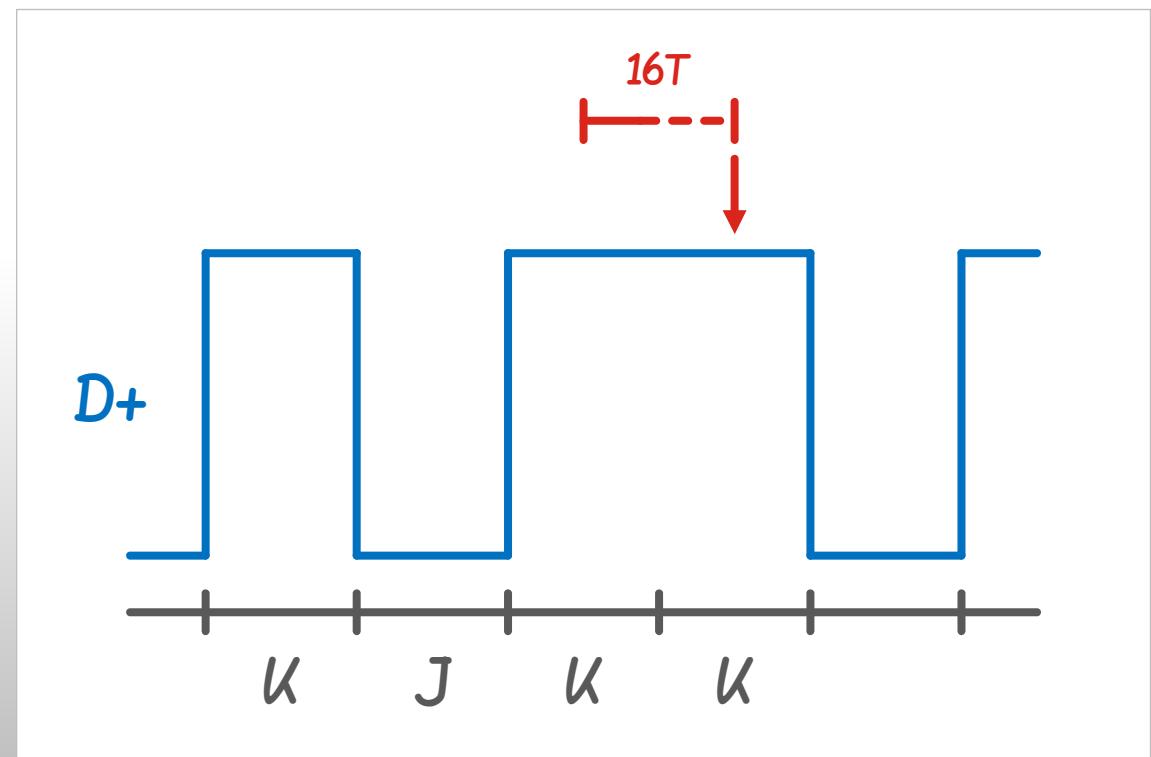
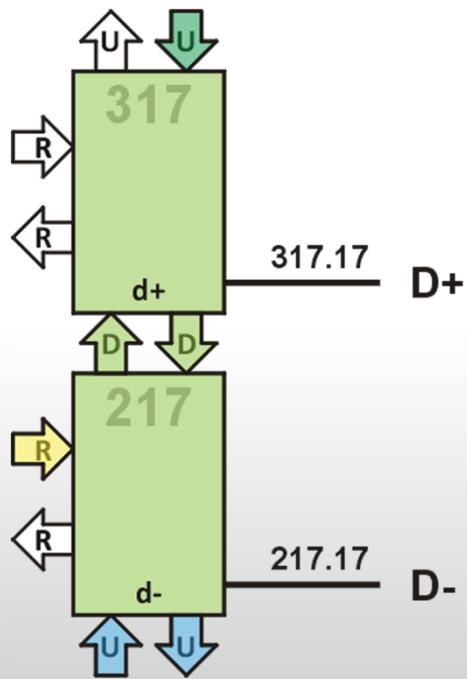
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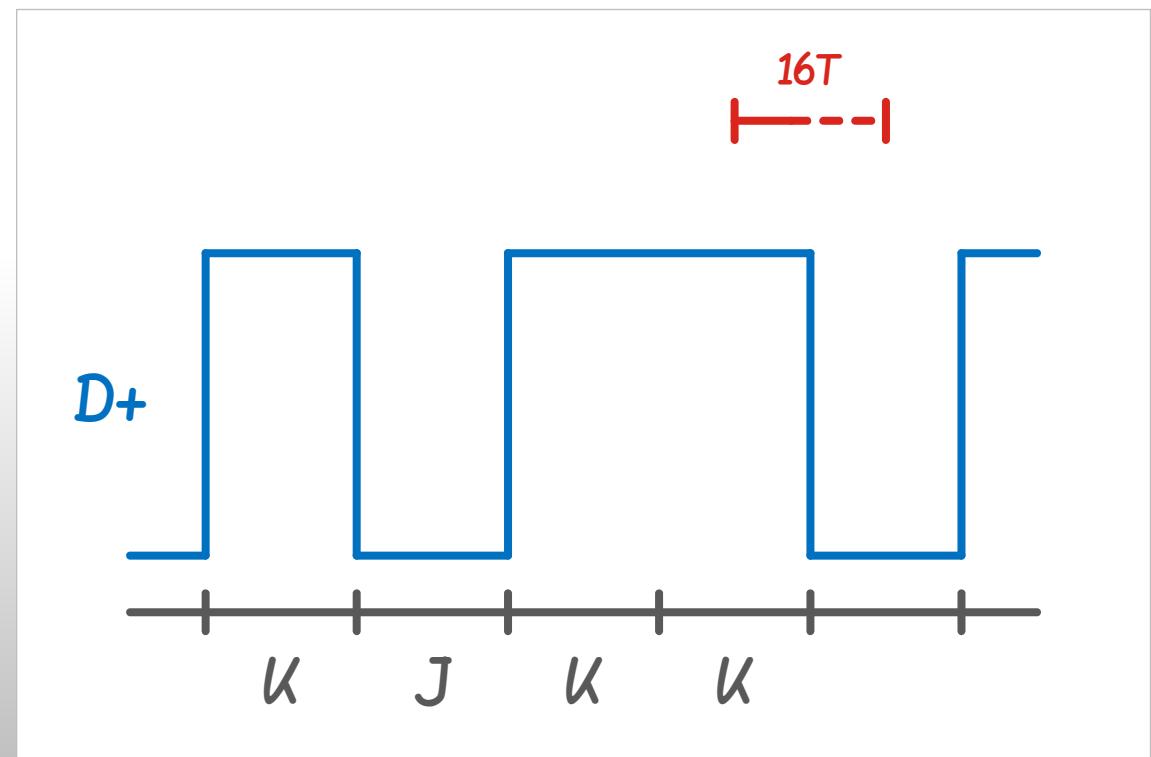
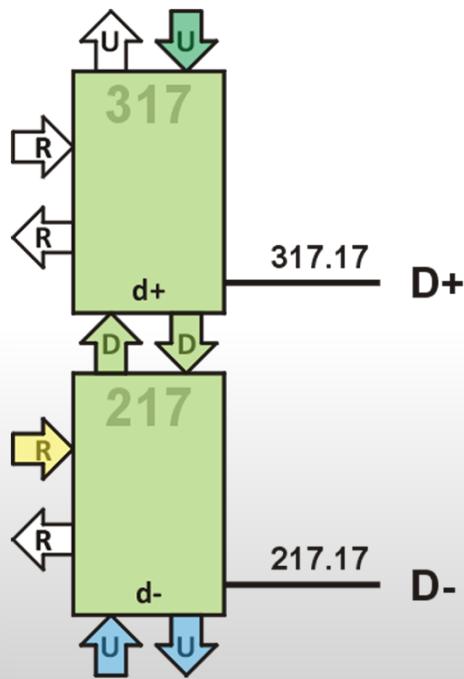
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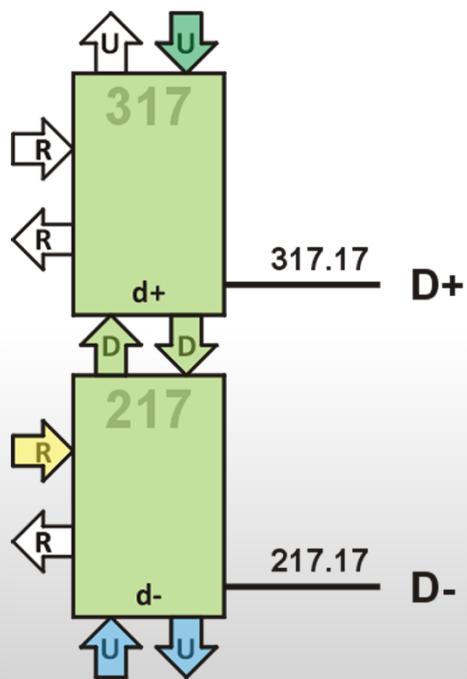
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# transceivers

receive mode – self-synchronizing clock

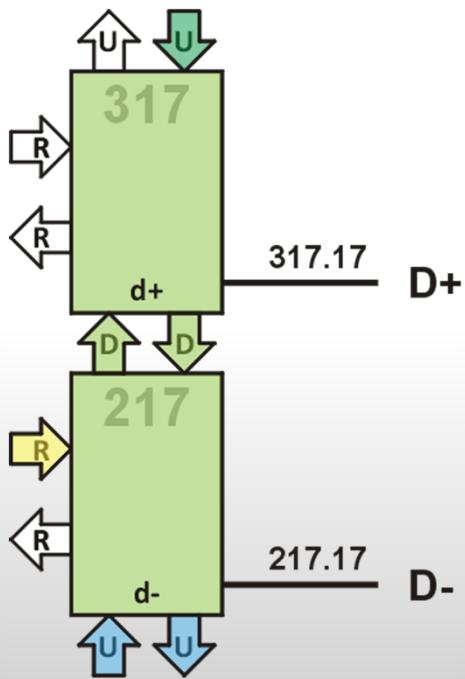


1. detect an edge (start of packet)
2. count  $8T$ , then read  $D+$  state
3. count up to  $16T$  while waiting for an edge
  - if detected stop counting and go to 2.
  - else read  $D+$  state and go to 3.

resynchronized at each edge  
bit stuffing – resync at most after 6 bits

# transceivers

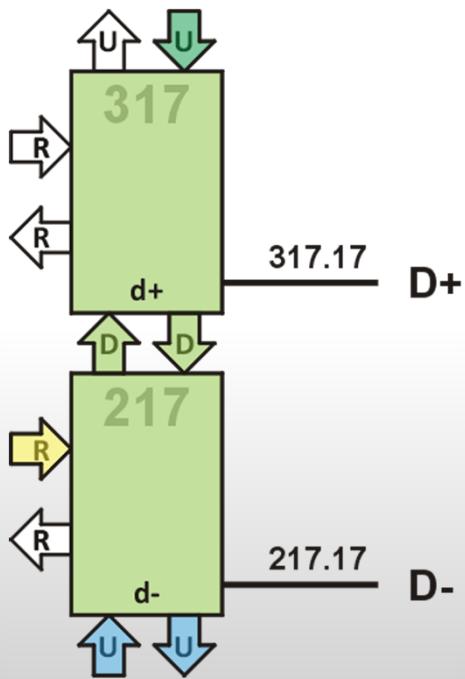
receive mode – node 317



```
d+ 317 +node 317 /ram up /a io /b 2A idl /p  
reclaim 317 node 22 org k? 0 org  
...  
@bit -n 09 @ @ @ @ @ @ @ @ @ @b -d-- ;  
edge 0D 271 for @ @b -if pop ;  
then next dup or -d-- -d-- ;  
sync 15 edge @bit  
j? 18 15 for @ @b - -if @bit k? ;  
then next - -d-- j? ;  
k? 22 15 for @ @b -if @bit j? ;  
then next -d-- k? ;
```

# transceivers

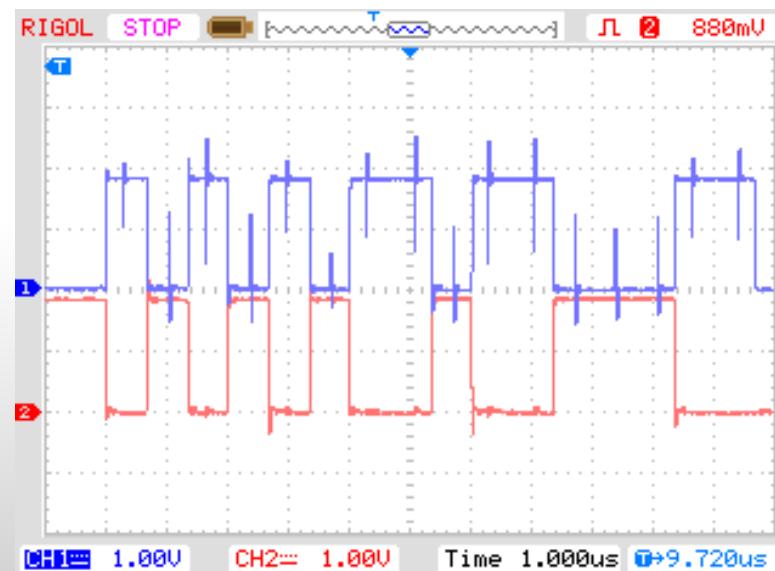
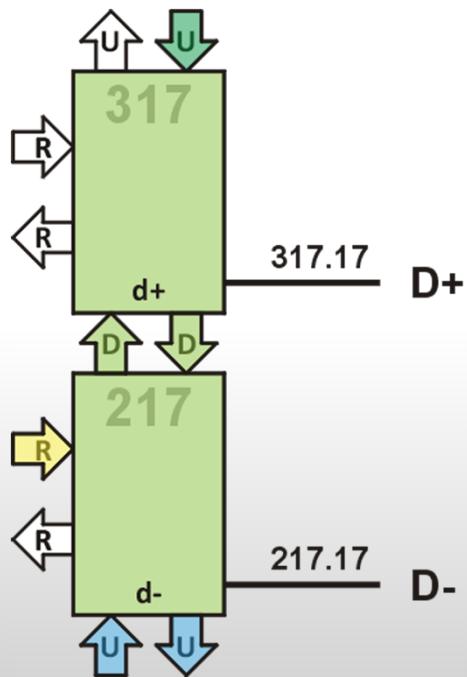
receive mode – node 217



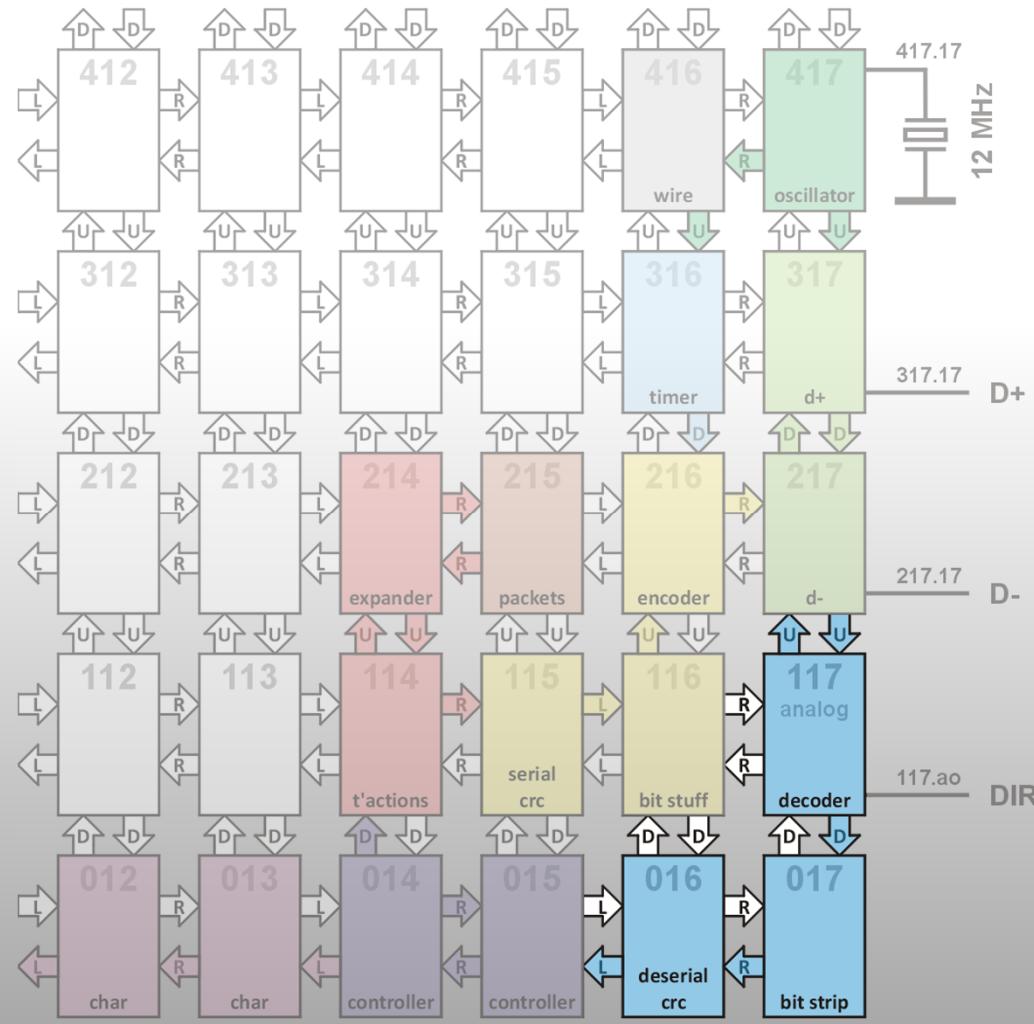
```
d- 217 +node 217 /ram io /b 38 go /p  
reclaim 217 node 0 org  
send 00 a up a! over ! a! ;  
...  
hand 23 13427 send ---u ;  
read -n 26 @p ! @ ; !p ;  
nxt 28 read ahead *  
inp 2A @p ! . . sync read  
if dup send swap then  
* @b send drop send ---u ; then send r--- ;
```

# transceivers

receive mode

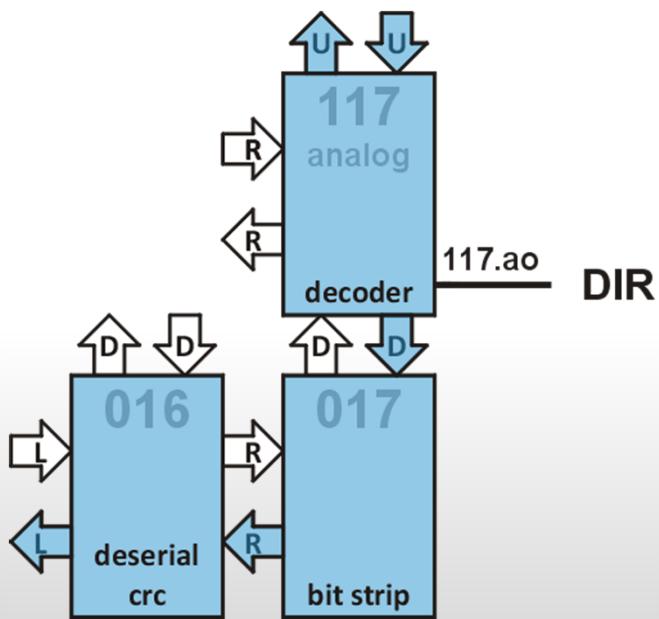


# receive path



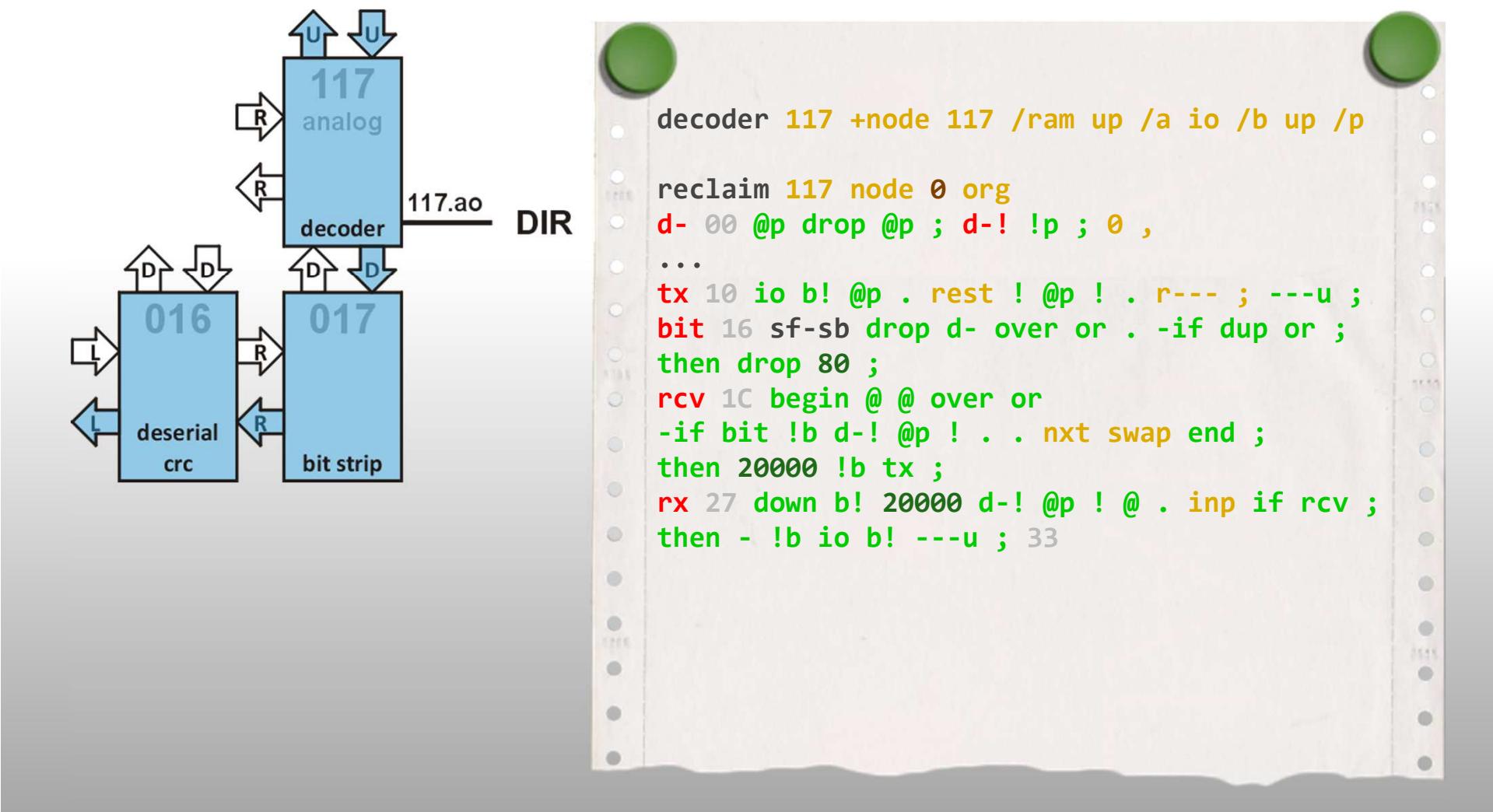
# receive path

*start reception of packet and  
check for timeout  
receive stream of D+ and D-  
line states  
output decoded bytes  
inform controller about state  
of the line  
switch direction of voltage  
level shifter*



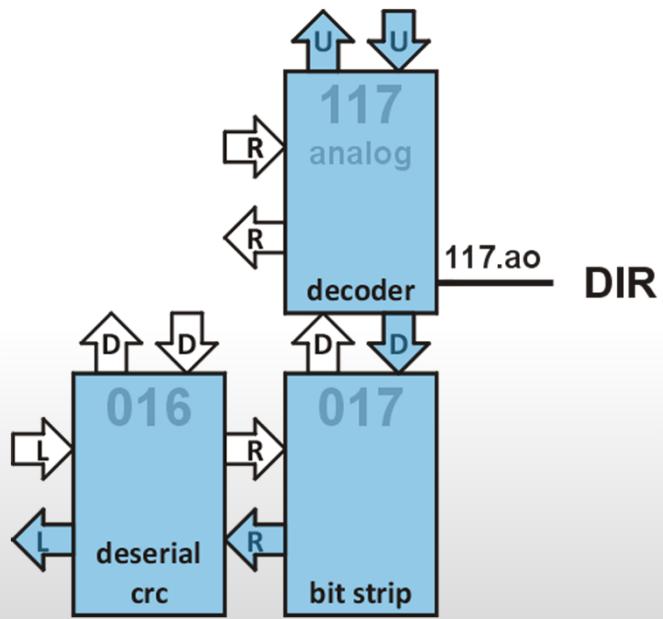
# receive path

## decoder



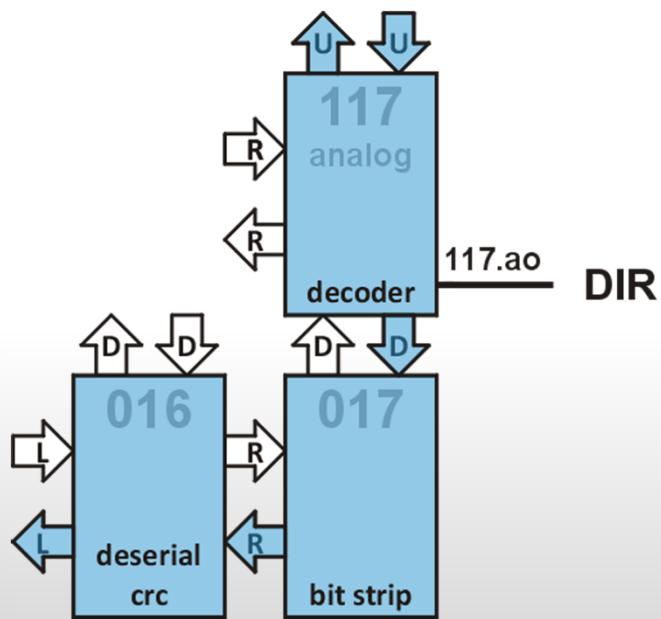
# *receive path*

## *bit striping*



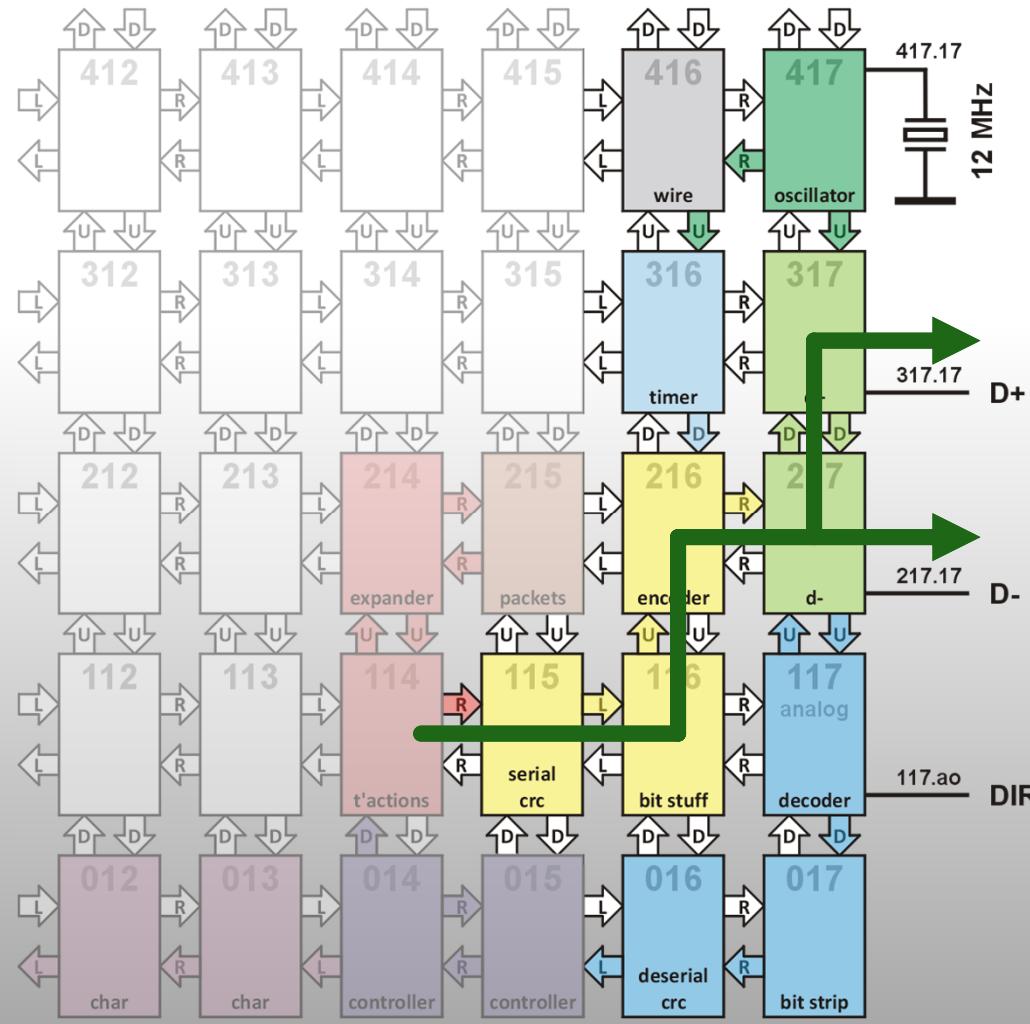
# receive path

deserializer + crc

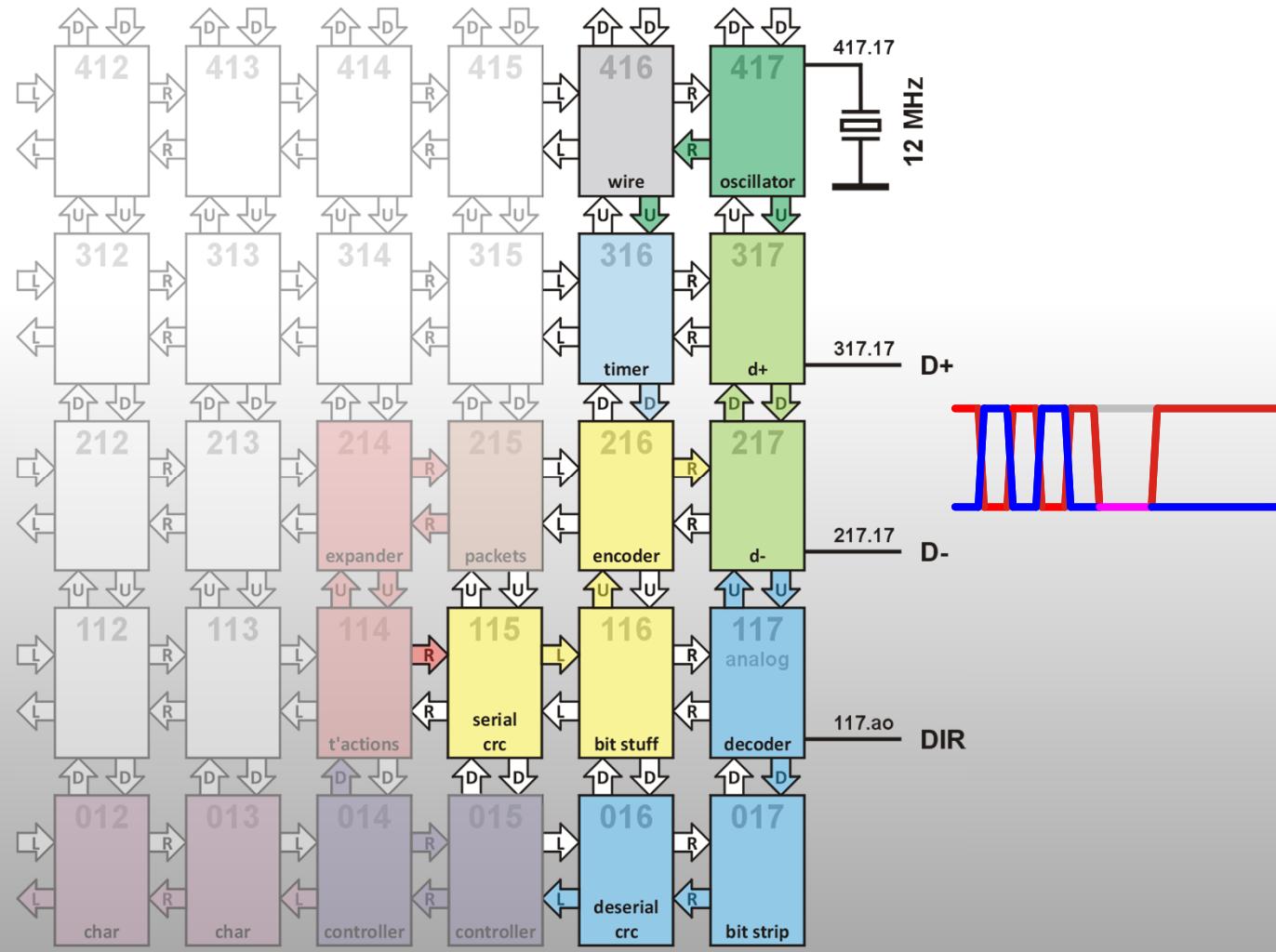


*converts serial data into bytes  
starts crc for data packets  
checks crc at the end of data  
packet  
passes handshake packets and  
messages without crc  
calculation*

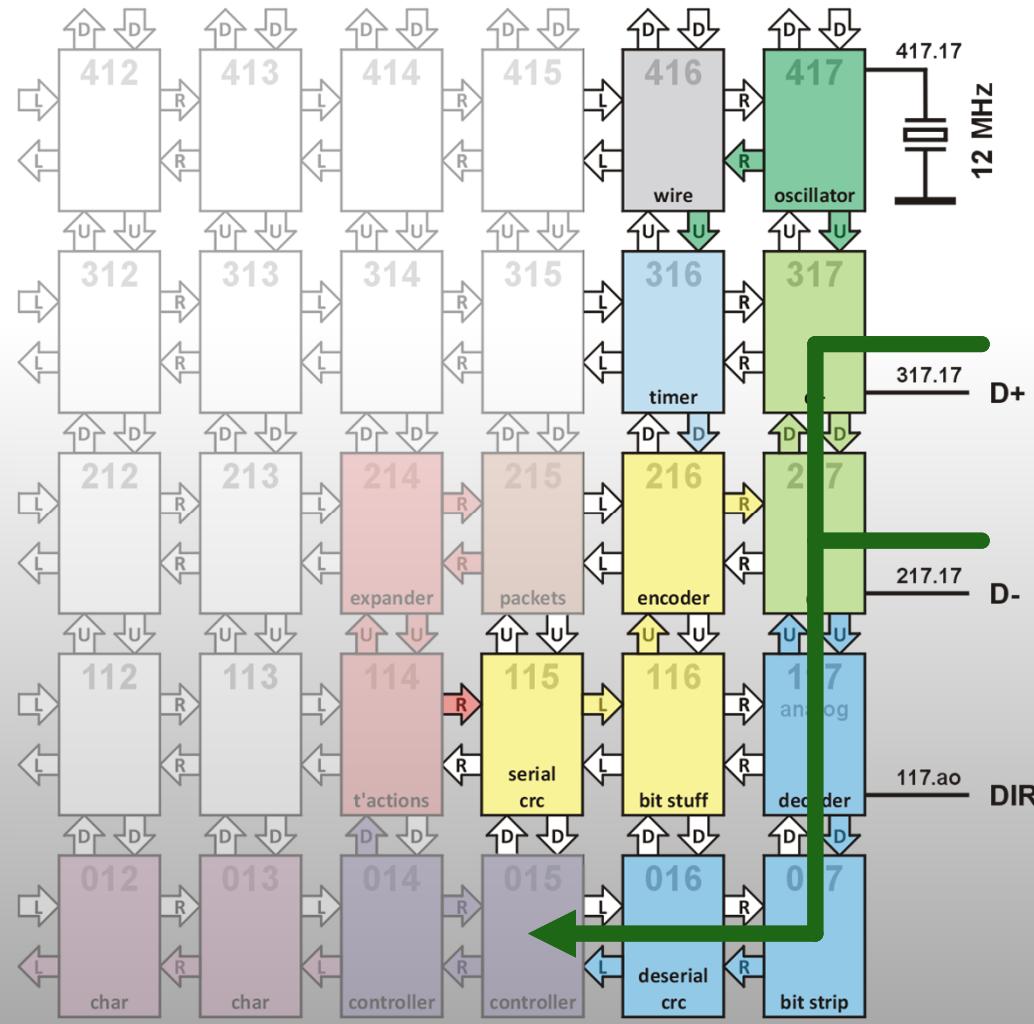
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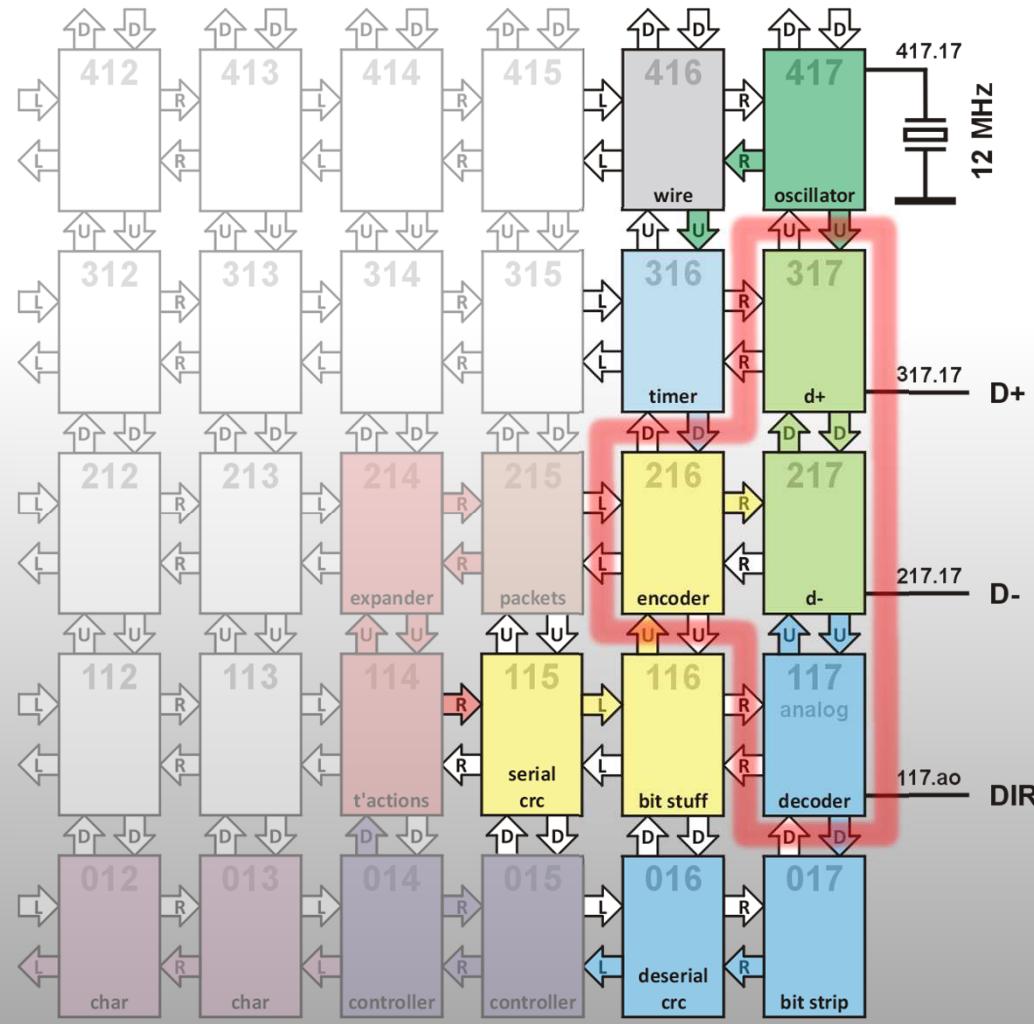
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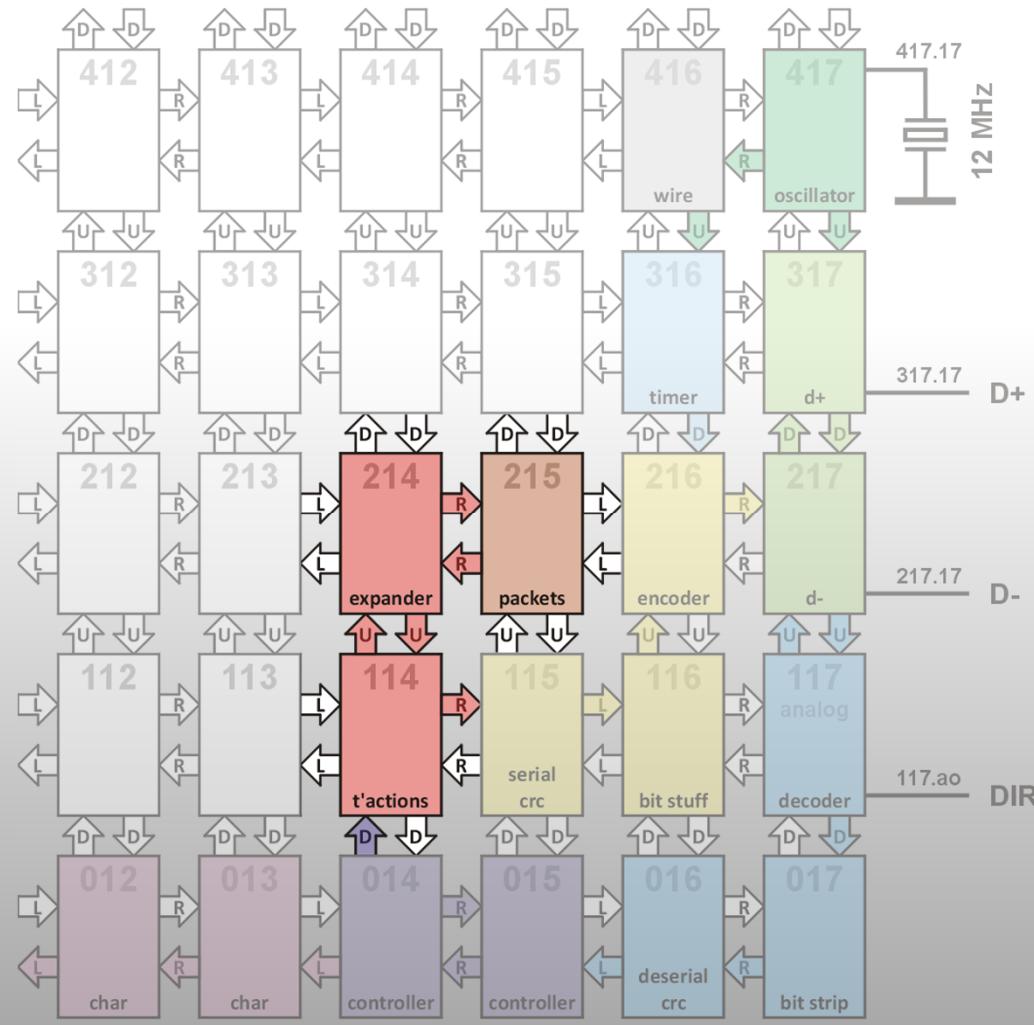
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# *IMPLEMENTATION*

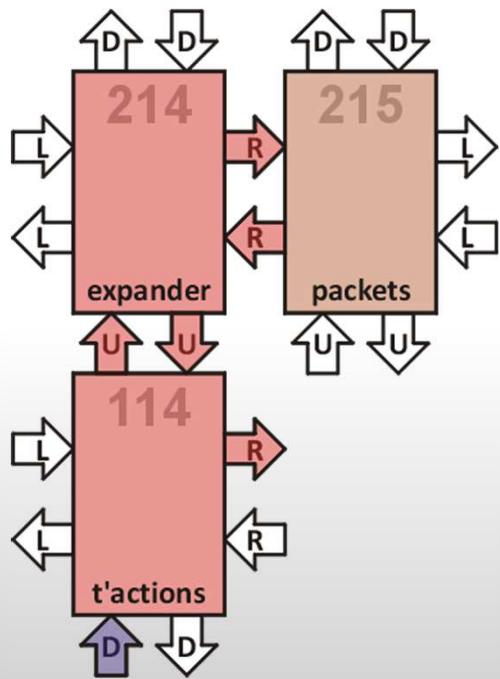
*part II*  
*keyboard controller*

# *packets and transactions*



# packets and transactions

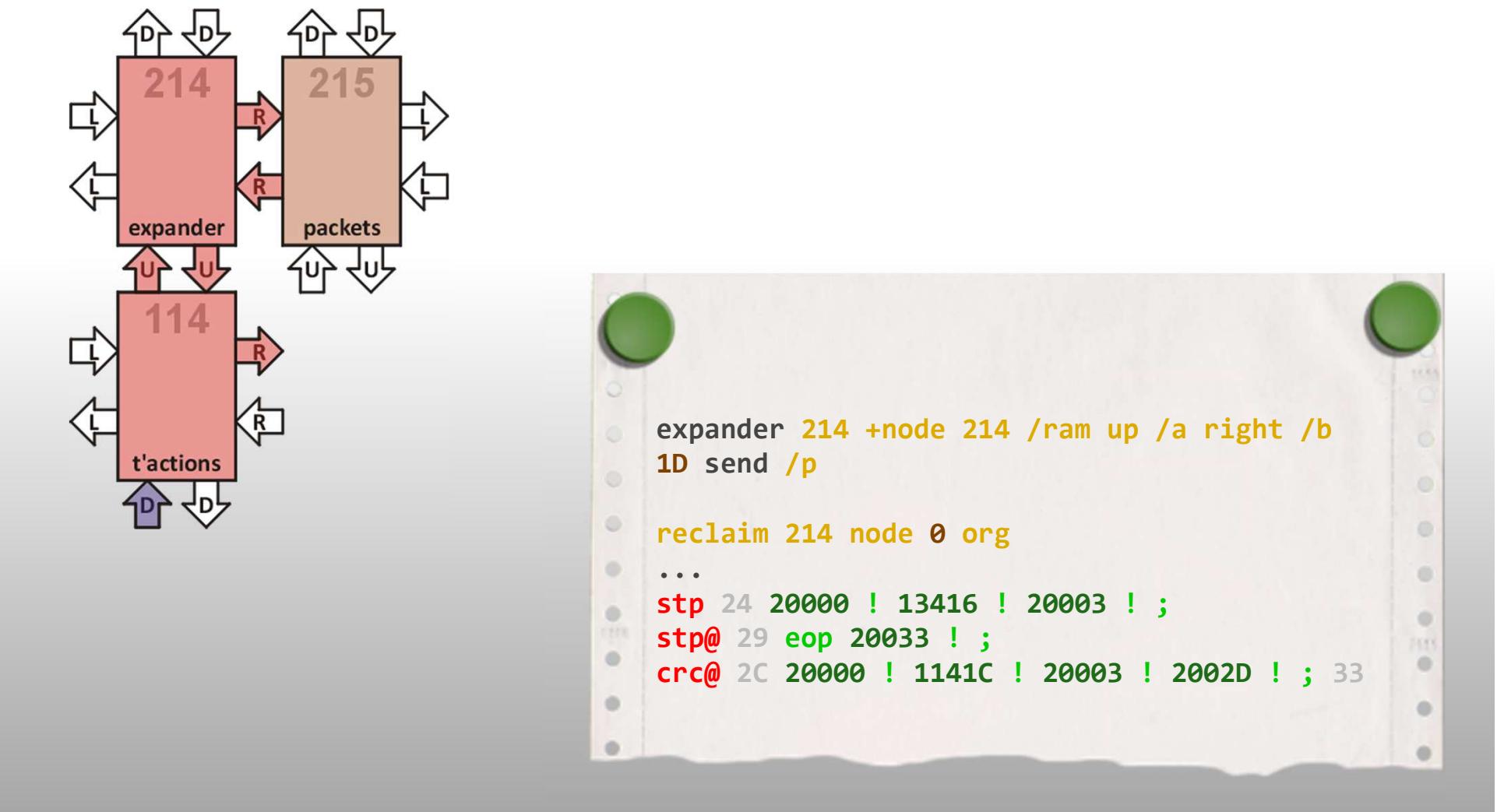
## packets



```
packets 215 +node 215 /ram right /a right /p  
reclaim 215 node 0 org  
setup 00 602 , 802D , 10 , 38024 ,  
in00 04 702 , 8069 , 10 , 38029 ,  
in01 08 702 , 8069 , 80A0 , 38029 ,  
ack 0C 401 , 80D2 , 38024 ,  
conf 0F F07 , 80C3 , 20000 , 13416 ,  
9 , 100 , 0 , 0 , 3802C ,  
prot 18 F07 , 80C3 , 20000 , 13416 , 210B ,  
0 , 0 , 0 , 3802C ,  
idle 21 F07 , 80C3 , 20000 , 13416 , 210A ,  
0 , 0 , 0 , 3802C ,  
rept 2A F07 , 80C3 , 20000 , 13416 , 2109 ,  
2 , 0 , 100 , 3802C ,  
led 33 804 , 804B , 20000 , 13416 , 30005 ,  
3802C ,  
out00 39 602 , 80E1 , 10 , 38024 , 3D
```

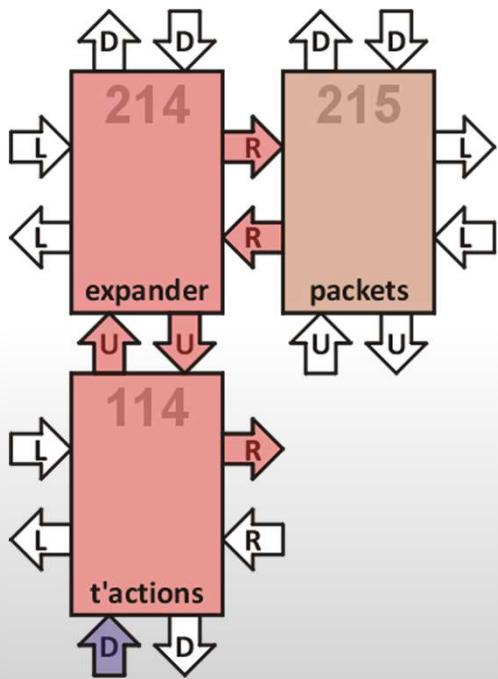
# *packets and transactions*

## *expander*



# *packets and transactions*

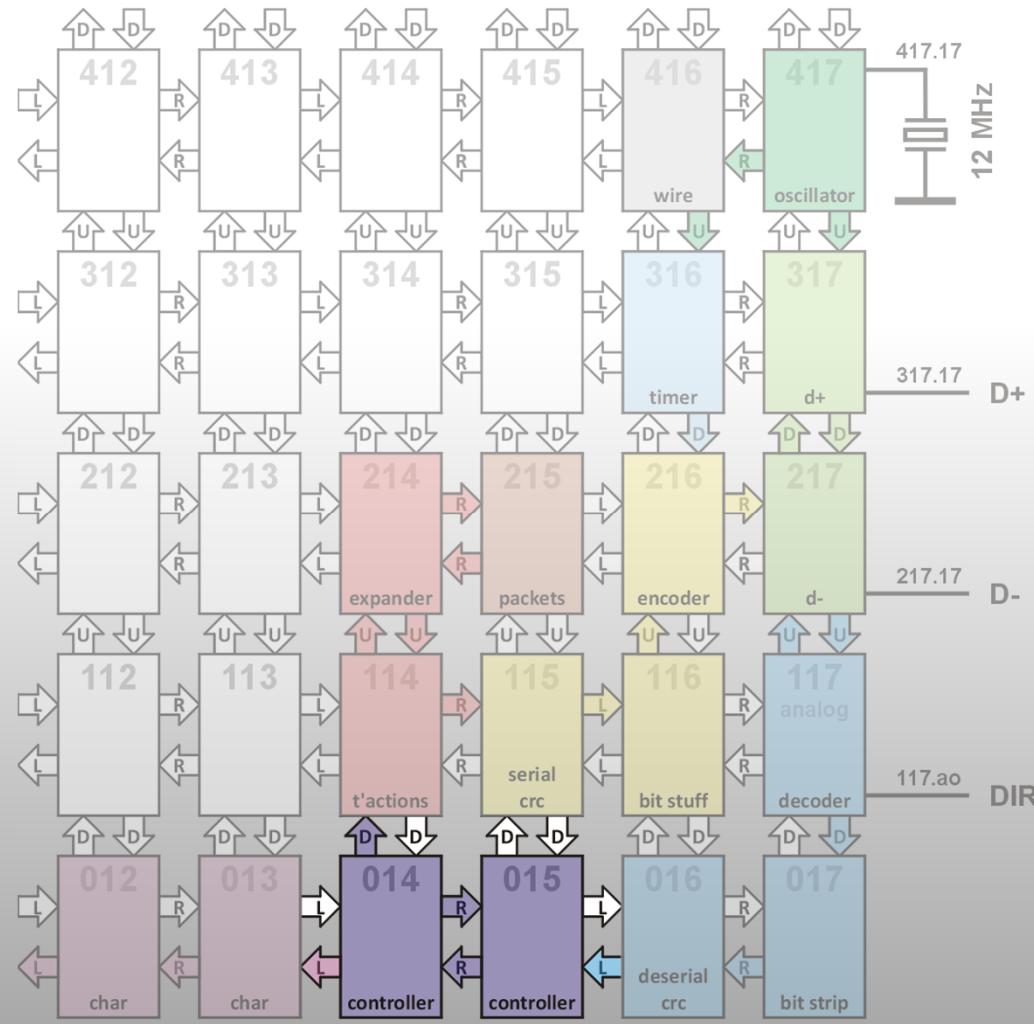
## *transactions*



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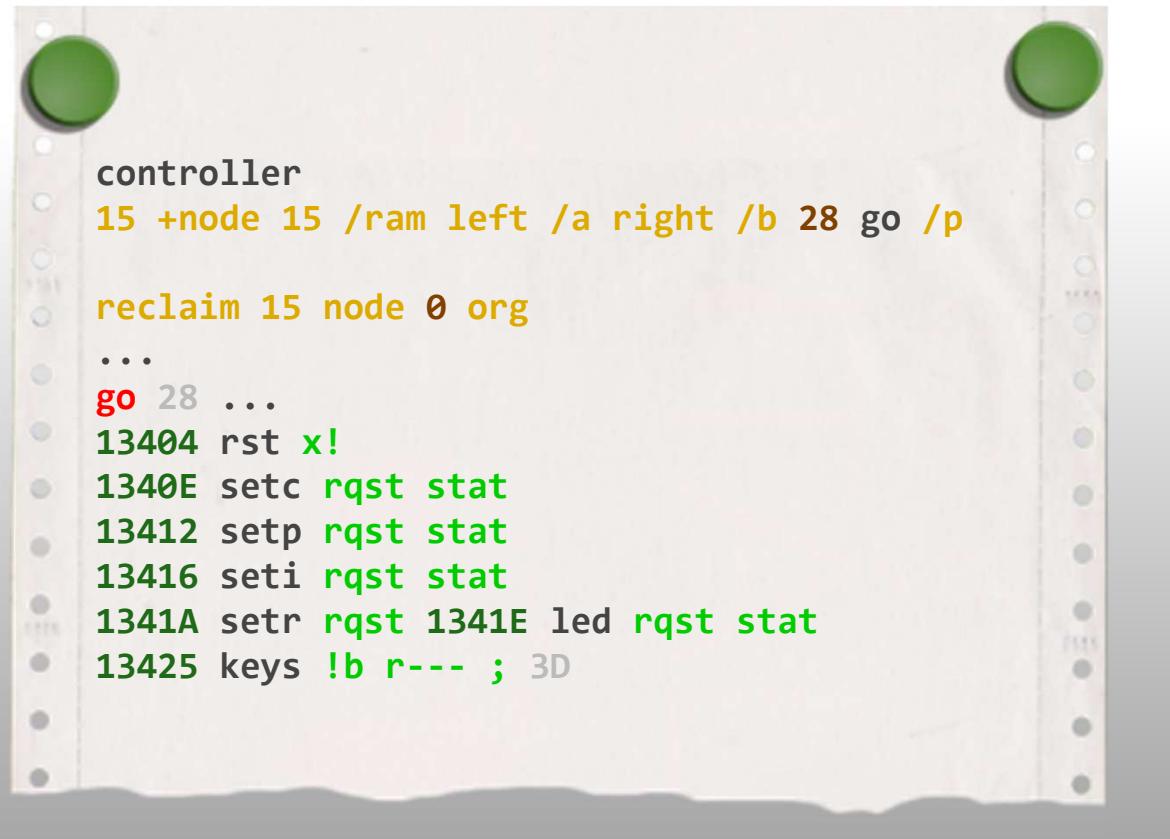
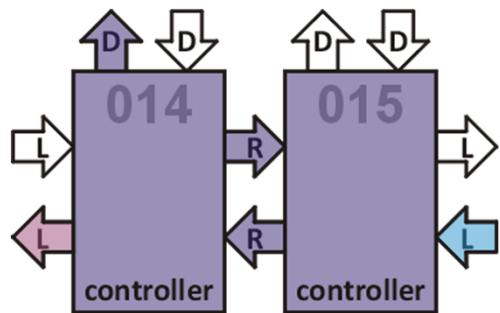
```
114 +node 114 /ram right /a up /b down /p  
  
reclaim 114 node 0 org  
alive 00 20015 ! ;  
sof 02 2001B ! ;  
rst 04 20020 ! ;  
pckt n 06 !b @b for @b ! unext ;  
ack 08 C pckt ;  
in00 0A 4 pckt ;  
in01 0C 8 pckt ;  
setc 0E 0 pckt F pckt ;  
setp 12 0 pckt 18 pckt ;  
seti 16 0 pckt 21 pckt ;  
setr 1A 0 pckt 2A pckt ;  
led 1E 39 pckt 33 pckt ;  
wait 22 7 for alive next ; 27
```

# controller



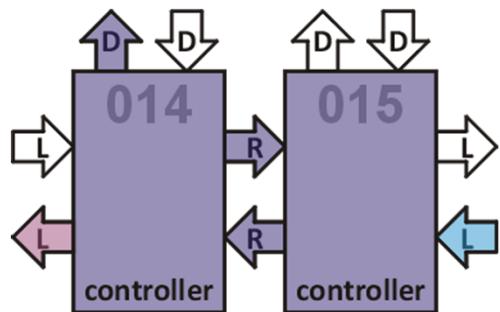
# controller

## initialization



# controller

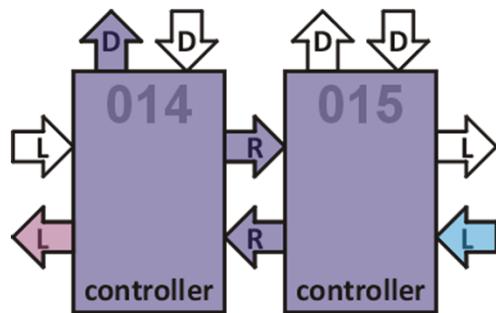
## report



```
controller  
14 +node 14 /ram down /a right /b right /p  
  
reclaim 14 node 0 org  
...  
keys 24 begin 13422 wait !  
sof 1340C in01 ! report end 2B
```

# controller

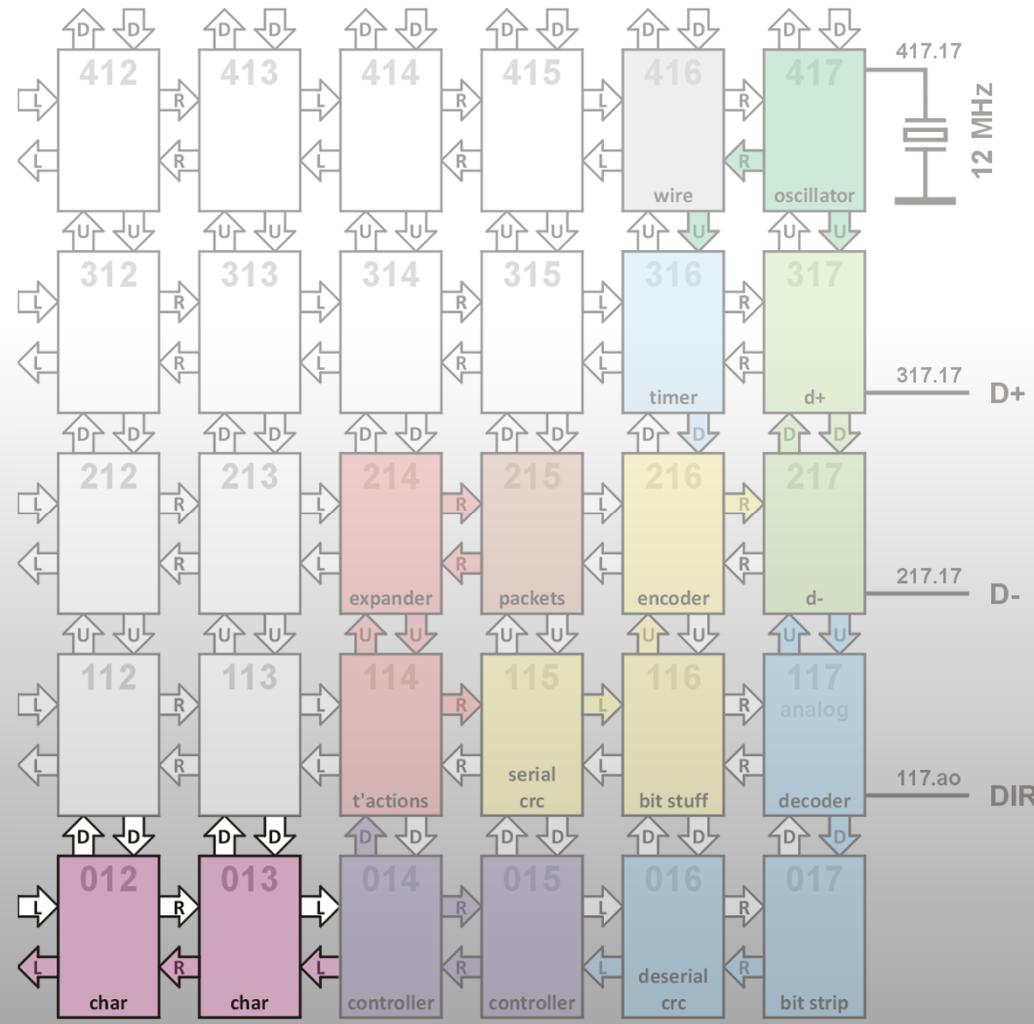
## report



byte	description
0	modifier keys
1	reserved
2	keycode 1
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	0

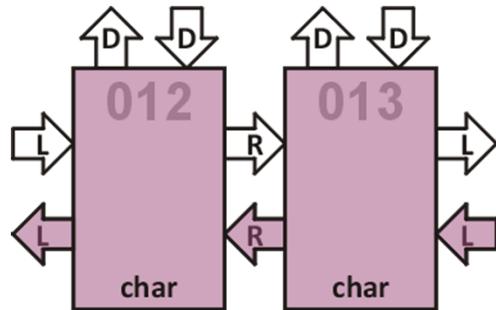
bit	modifier key
0	left CTRL
1	left SHIFT
2	left ALT
3	left GUI
4	right CTRL
5	right SHIFT
6	right ALT
7	right GUI

# character decoder



# character decoder

## keycodes

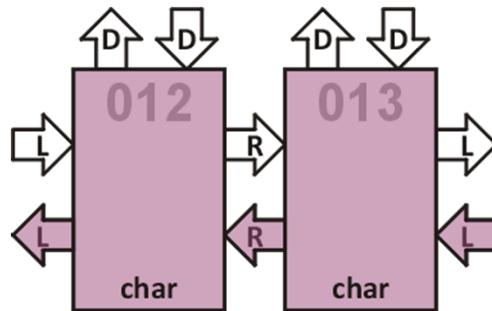


hex	keycode	hex	keycode	hex	keycode	hex	keycode
00	no event	12	o O	24	7 &	36	. <
01	roll over	13	p P	25	8 *	37	. >
02	POST fail	14	q Q	26	9 (	38	/ ?
03	error	15	r R	27	0 )	39	Caps Lock
04	a A	16	s S	28	Enter	3A	F1
05	b B	17	t T	29	Esc	3B	F2
06	c C	18	u U	2A	Backspace	3C	F3
07	d D	19	v V	2B	Tab	3D	F4
08	e E	1A	w W	2C	Spacebar	3E	F5
09	f F	1B	x X	2D	- _	3F	F6
0A	g G	1C	y Y	2E	= +	40	F7
0B	h H	1D	z Z	2F	[ {	41	F8
0C	i I	1E	! !	30	] }	42	F9
0D	j J	1F	@ @	31	non-US #	43	F10
0E	k K	20	# #	32	\	44	F11
0F	l L	21	\$ \$	33	; :	45	F12
10	m M	22	% %	34	' "	46	PrintScr
11	n N	23	^ ^	35	~ ~	47	ScrLock

HID Usage Tables, version 1.12, USB Implementers' Forum, 2004

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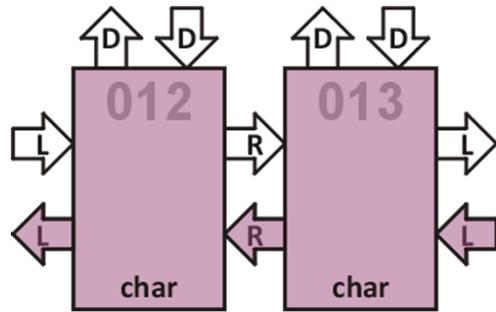
etherForth character set



hex	char	hex	char	hex	char
00	0	10	g	20	w
01	1	11	h	21	x
02	2	12	i	22	y
03	3	13	j	23	z
04	4	14	k	24	*
05	5	15	l	25	/
06	6	16	m	26	@
07	7	17	n	27	!
08	8	18	o	28	.
09	9	19	p	29	,
0A	a	1A	q	2A	;
0B	b	1B	r	2B	'
0C	c	1C	s	2C	#
0D	d	1D	t	2D	-
0E	e	1E	u	2E	?
0F	f	1F	v	2F	+

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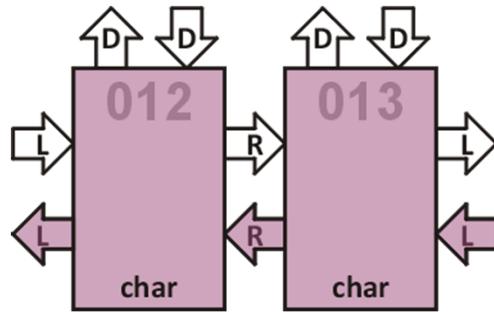
converting keycodes to etherForth character set



hex	keycode	hex	keycode	hex	keycode	hex	keycode
		12	o O	24	7 &	36	. <
		13	p P	25	8 *	37	. >
		14	q Q	26	9 (	38	/ ?
		15	r R	27	0 )	39	Caps Lock
04	a A	16	s S	28	Enter	3A	F1
05	b B	17	t T	29	Esc	3B	F2
06	c C	18	u U	2A	Backspace	3C	F3
07	d D	19	v V	2B	Tab	3D	F4
08	e E	1A	w W	2C	Spacebar	3E	F5
09	f F	1B	x X	2D	- _	3F	F6
0A	g G	1C	y Y	2E	= +	40	F7
0B	h H	1D	z Z	2F	[ {	41	F8
0C	i I	1E	! !	30	] }	42	F9
0D	j J	1F	2 @	31	non-US #	43	F10
0E	k K	20	3 #	32	\	44	F11
0F	l L	21	4 \$	33	; :	45	F12
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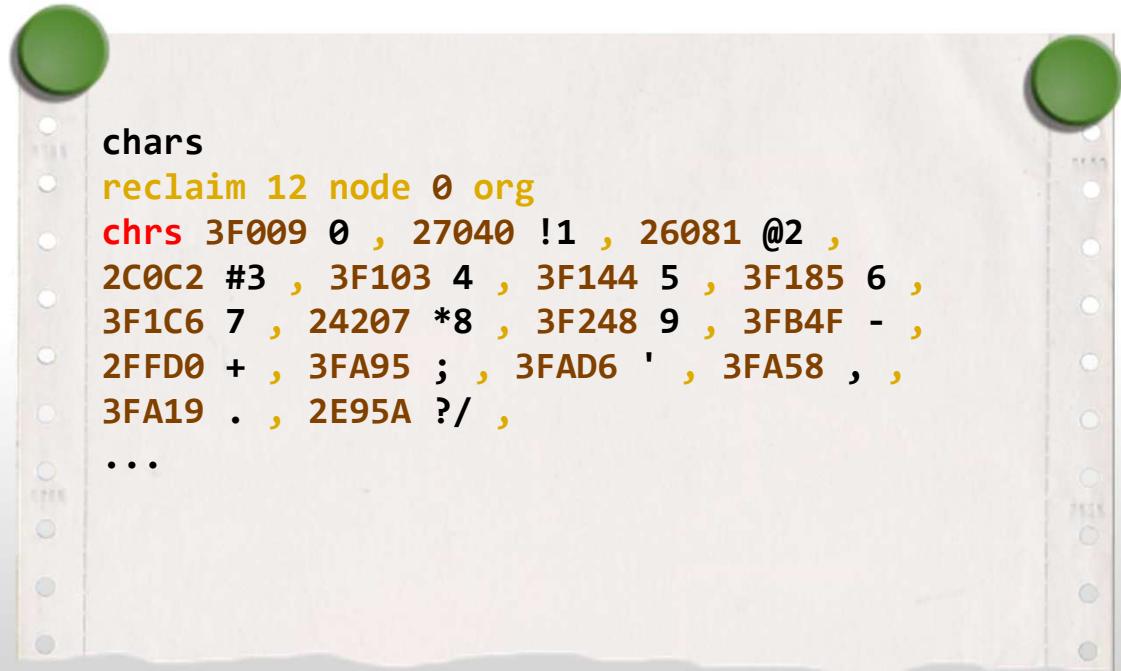
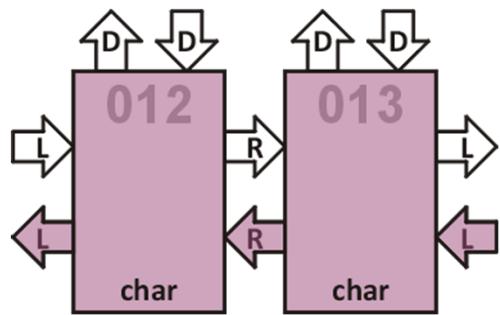
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## converting keycodes to etherForth character set



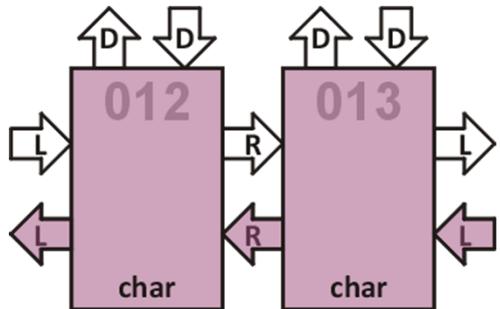
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converting keycodes to etherForth character set



# character decoder

function keys and non-printable characters



message - bit 17 set  
F1 - 20001, F2 - 20002 ...

convert to call instruction  
Esc - 1341C, Enter - 13408 ...

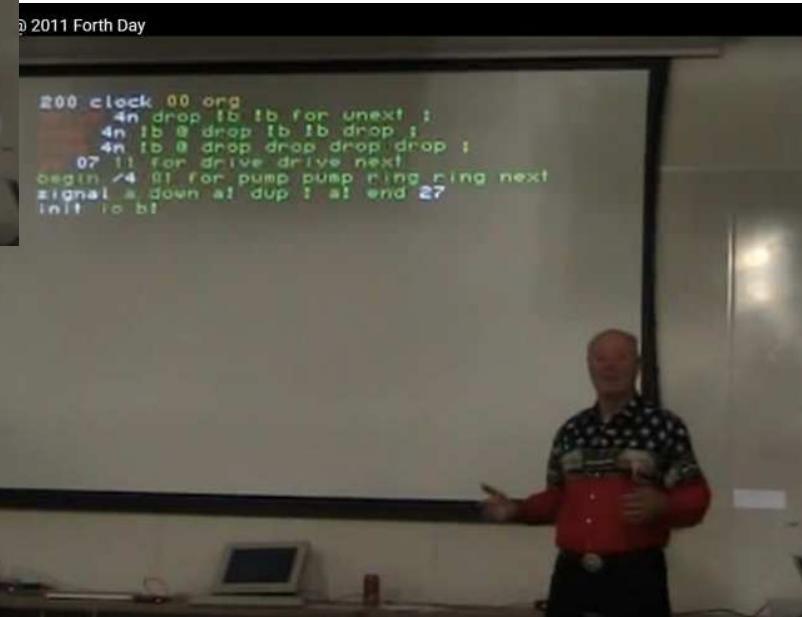
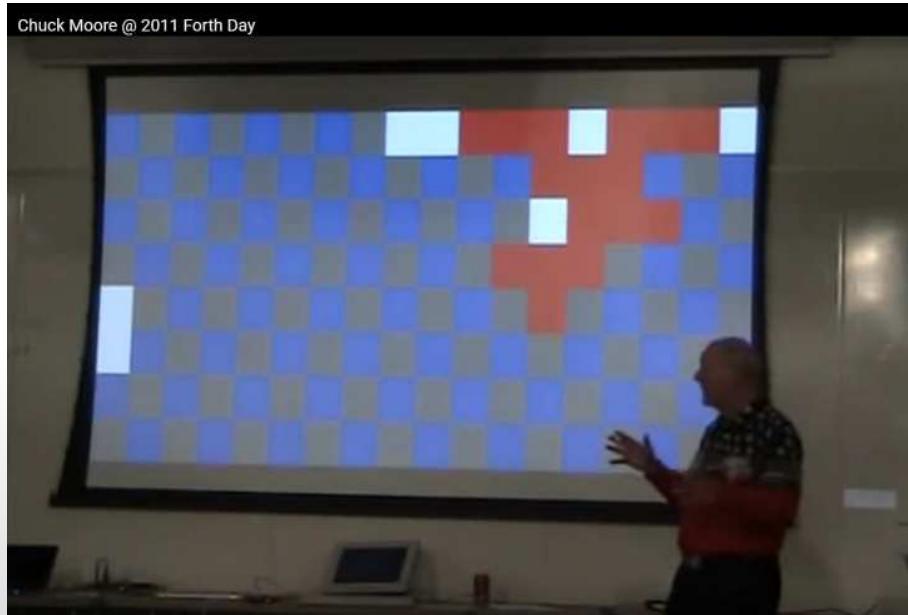
# *DEMO I*

*USB host and keyboard controller*

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ftot1N9Jaas&t=41m10s>

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Chuck Moore – Forth Day 2011



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## *Eval Weblog*

### **Eval Weblog**

#### Rationale

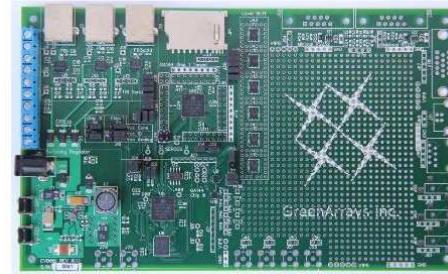
This blog will document my experience with GreenArrays' Evaluation Board. It has 2 GA144 multi-computer chips, each with 144 f18a computers. Total of 288 computers running at 650 Mips or 194 Gips. Each chip has 5 A/Ds and 5 D/As. Total of 10 of each. I'll use some for video output and some for audio (command) input.

The Host chip has a 256 Mword flash memory and a 1Mword 16-bit SRAM. It has a 700 Mbps serial link to the Target chip.

I plan to use it for a variety of experiments, which I'll describe here. The goal is to port colorForth and OKAD to this platform and use it to design the next multi-computer chip.

Here are some pages of enduring interest:

- [c18 instruction use](#)
- [Arithmetic code](#)
- [etherCode](#)
- [The Map is Not the Territory](#)
- [video output](#)



#### **2012 August 13 Monday**

I continue to add more etherCode as it gets written and documented.

If you have code you like, consider sharing it with GreenArrays.

I'm starting an ambitious new project on the Eval board. It will generate spin-off publishable code

#### **2012 July 19 Thursday**

I continue to add etherCode examples. And I've edited the [instruction](#) and [arithmetic](#) pages. It's always best to use the latest advice.

#### **2012 July 13 Friday**

I've quit listing time-of-day since I no longer have a clock. I'm keeping time by the sun.

Earlier I posted etherCode about [random numbers](#). I've reposted it with corrections. My initial impression of randomness was refuted when I tried to produce normally-distributed numbers. I now use the high-order bits of the product, instead of the seed.

#### **2012 July 9 12:00 Monday**

Every now and then an idea occurs that should have been obvious sooner. I actually did this accidentally, then realized the value.

In order to compare 2 functions on the monitor, I've drawn one red and another green. A third can be blue. But there's another way. Alternate 2 frames:

- Draw one function with 768 scan lines

[github.com/colorforth/colorforth.github.io](http://github.com/colorforth/colorforth.github.io)

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source code with pre-parsed words

6-bit tags

6-bit characters and tokens

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## tags, characters, tokens

hex	tag	color
30	token	Yellow
31	token	Light Green
32	char	
33	char	Yellow
34	char	Light Green
35	char	Red
36	decimal	Yellow
37	decimal	Light Green
38	address	Grey
39	eol	Blue
3A	space	X
3B	cursor	Orange
3C	eob	X
3D	char	Cyan
3E	hex	Brown
3F	hex	Green

hex	char	token	hex	char	token	hex	char	token
00	0	:	10	g	+*	20	w	right
01	1	ex	11	h	2*	21	x	down
02	2	begin	12	i	2/	22	y	left
03	3	end	13	j	-	23	z	up
04	4	unext	14	k	+	24	*	io
05	5	next	15	l	and	25	/	-till
06	6	if	16	m	or	26	@	then
07	7	-if	17	n	drop	27	!	else
08	8	@p	18	o	dup	28	.	till
09	9	@+	19	p	pop	29	.	while
0A	a	@b	1A	q	over	2A	;	for
0B	b	@	1B	r	a	2B	'	zif
0C	c	!p	1C	s	.	2C	#	data
0D	d	!+	1D	t	push	2D	-	ldata
0E	e	!b	1E	u	b!	2E	?	ahead
0F	f	!	1F	v	a!	2F	+	leap

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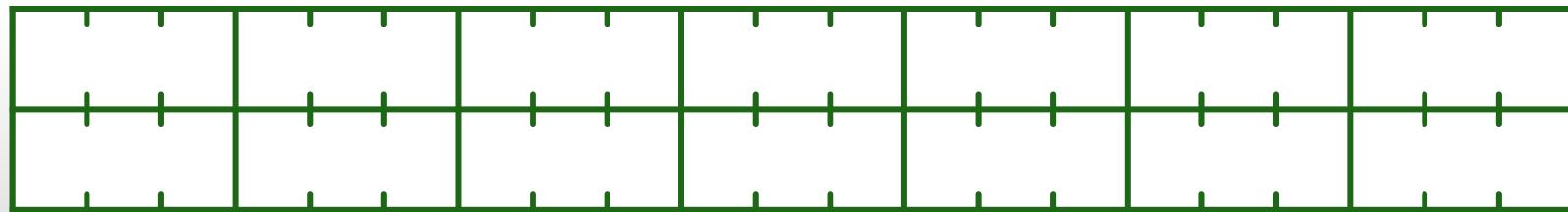
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35	16	18	1F	OE	37	07	31	2A	09	OE	04	00	39	35	10	30	3F	02	00	31
1F	22	1E	34	16	18	1F	OE	31	00	39	3C									

51 characters = 11 18-bit words (33 6-bit characters)

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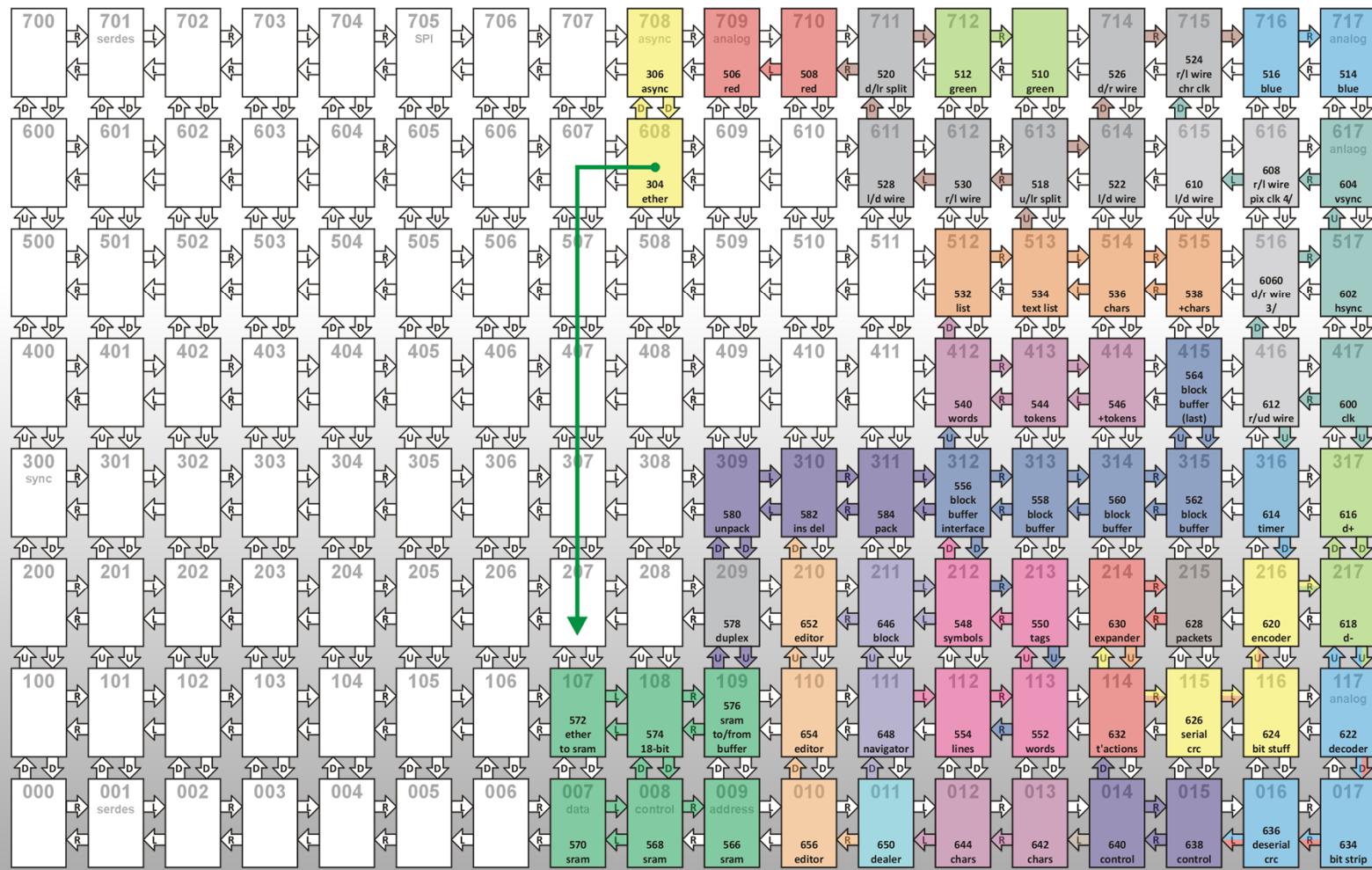
6-bit characters and tokens

standalone operating system, booting from Flash  
expects RAM, RGB display, and a keyboard

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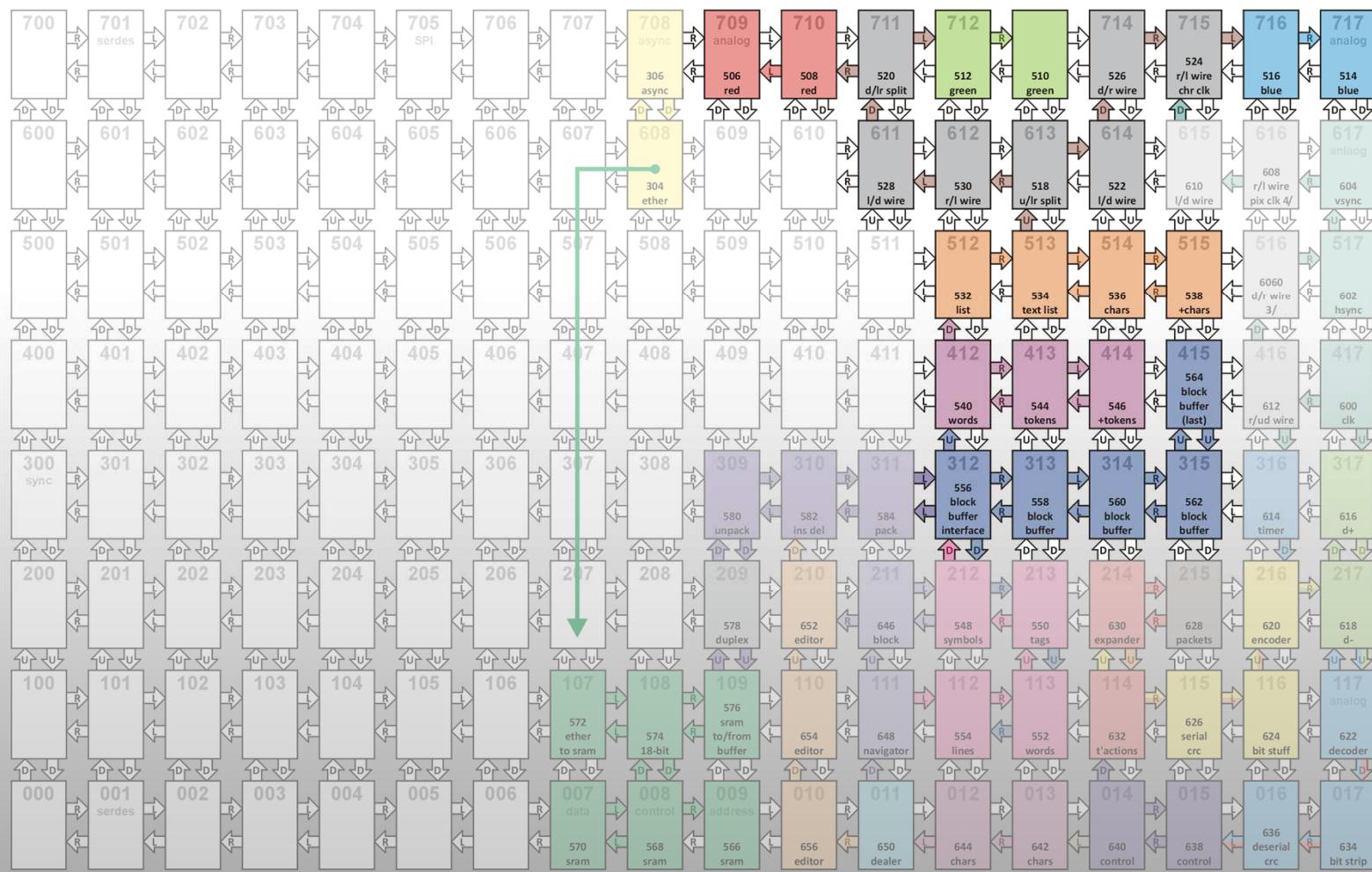
# floorplan

## etherForth



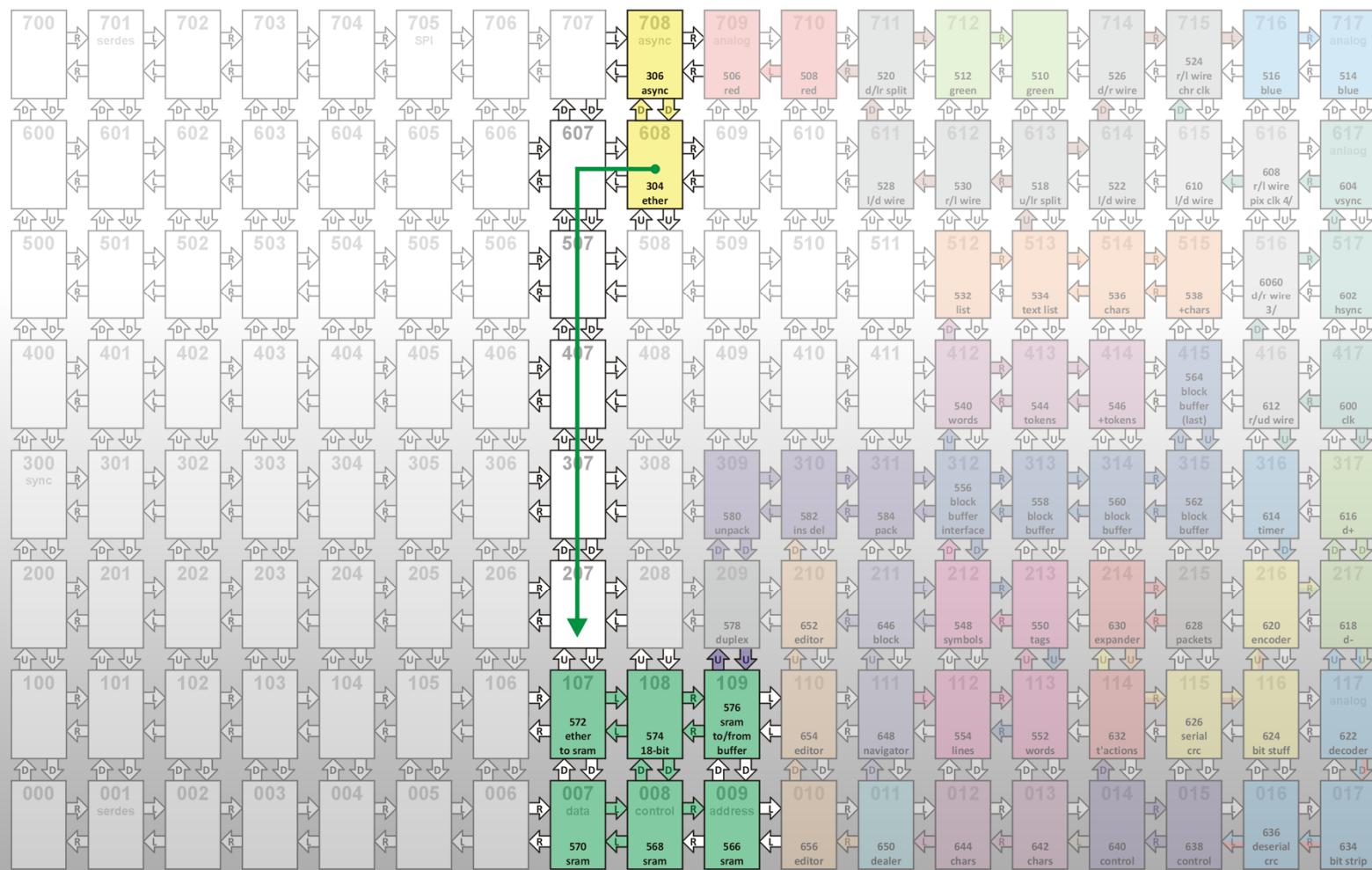
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## etherForth - VGA display



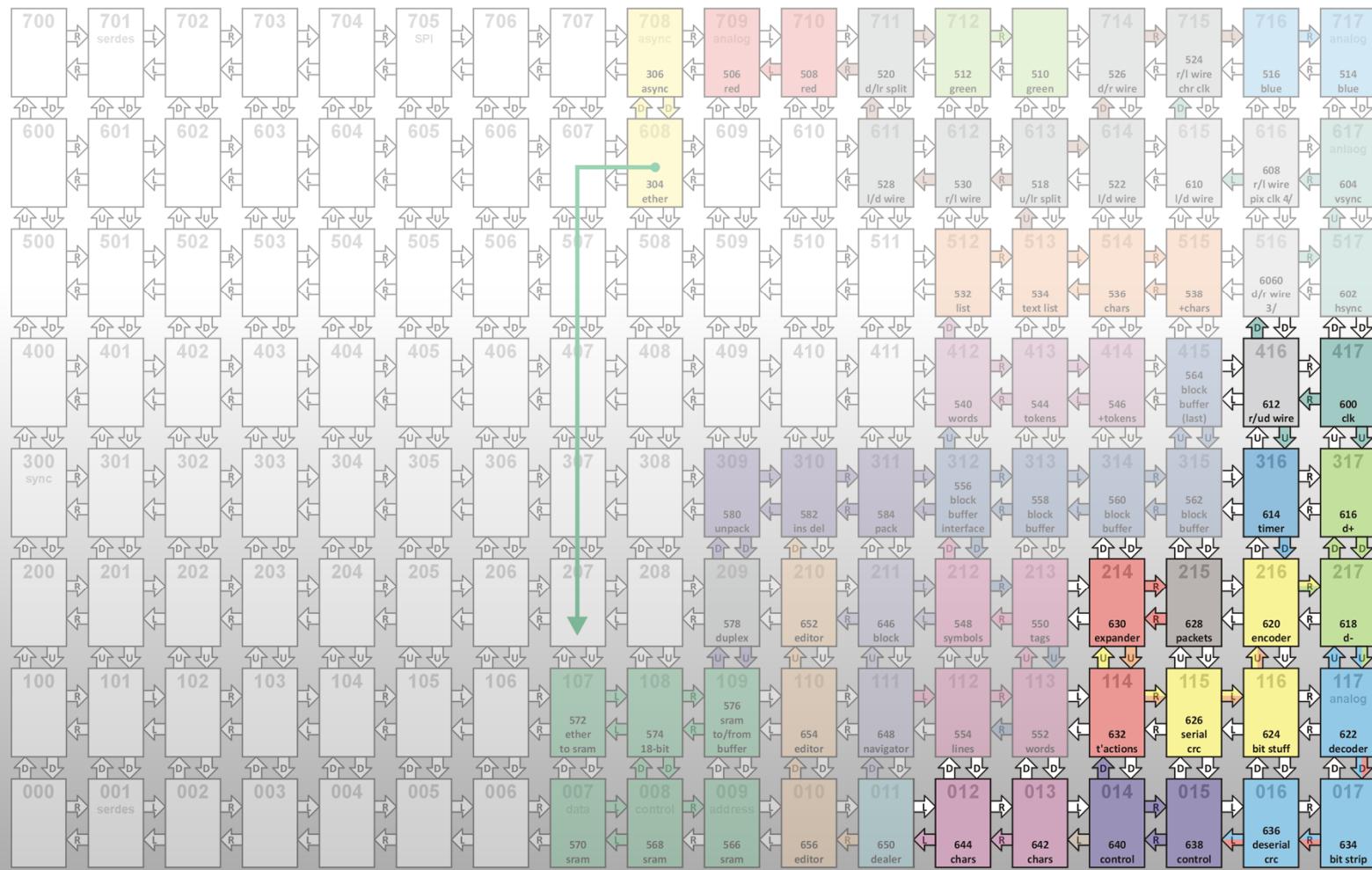
# floorplan

## etherForth - SRAM



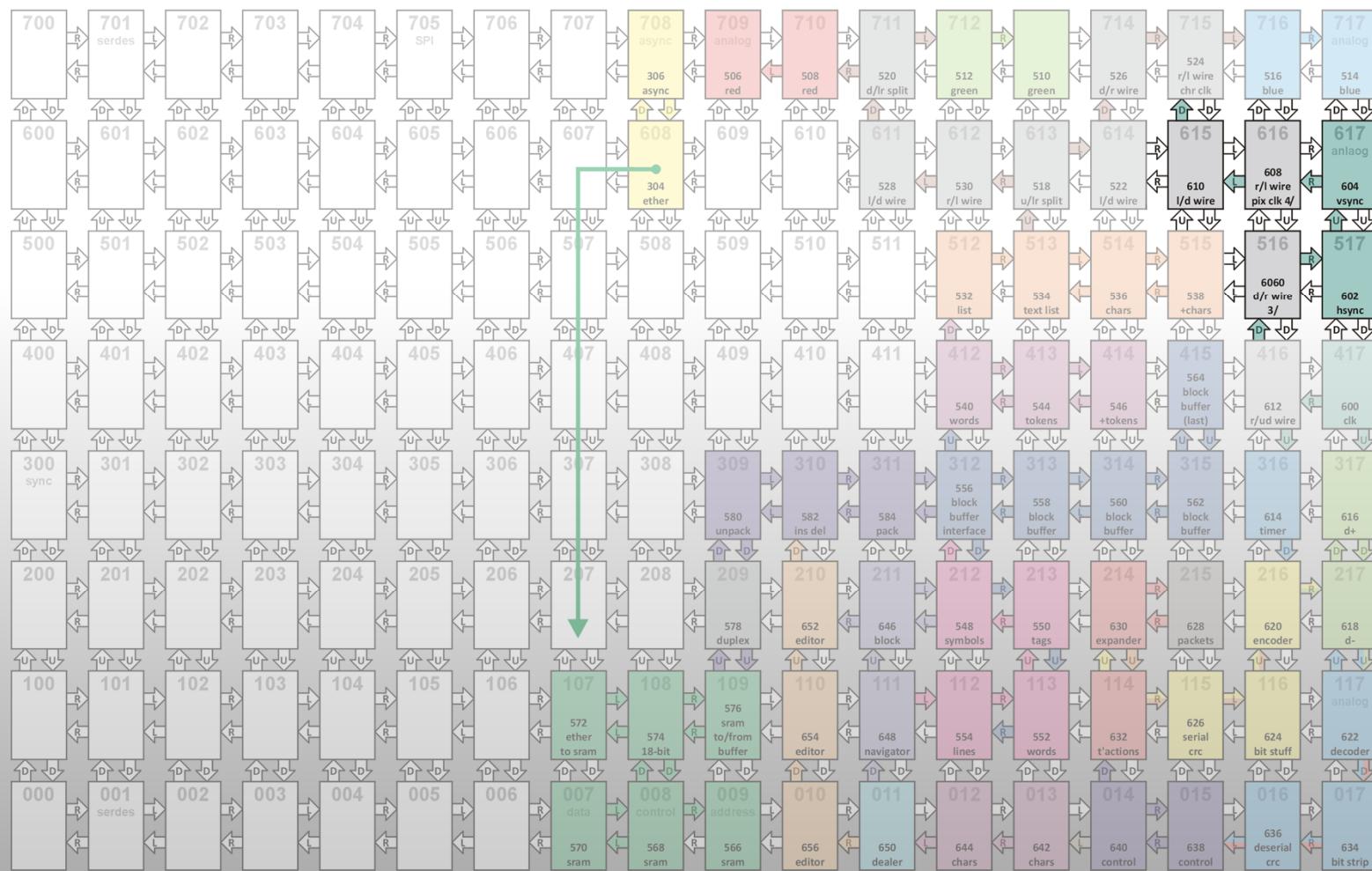
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# etherForth - USB keyboard



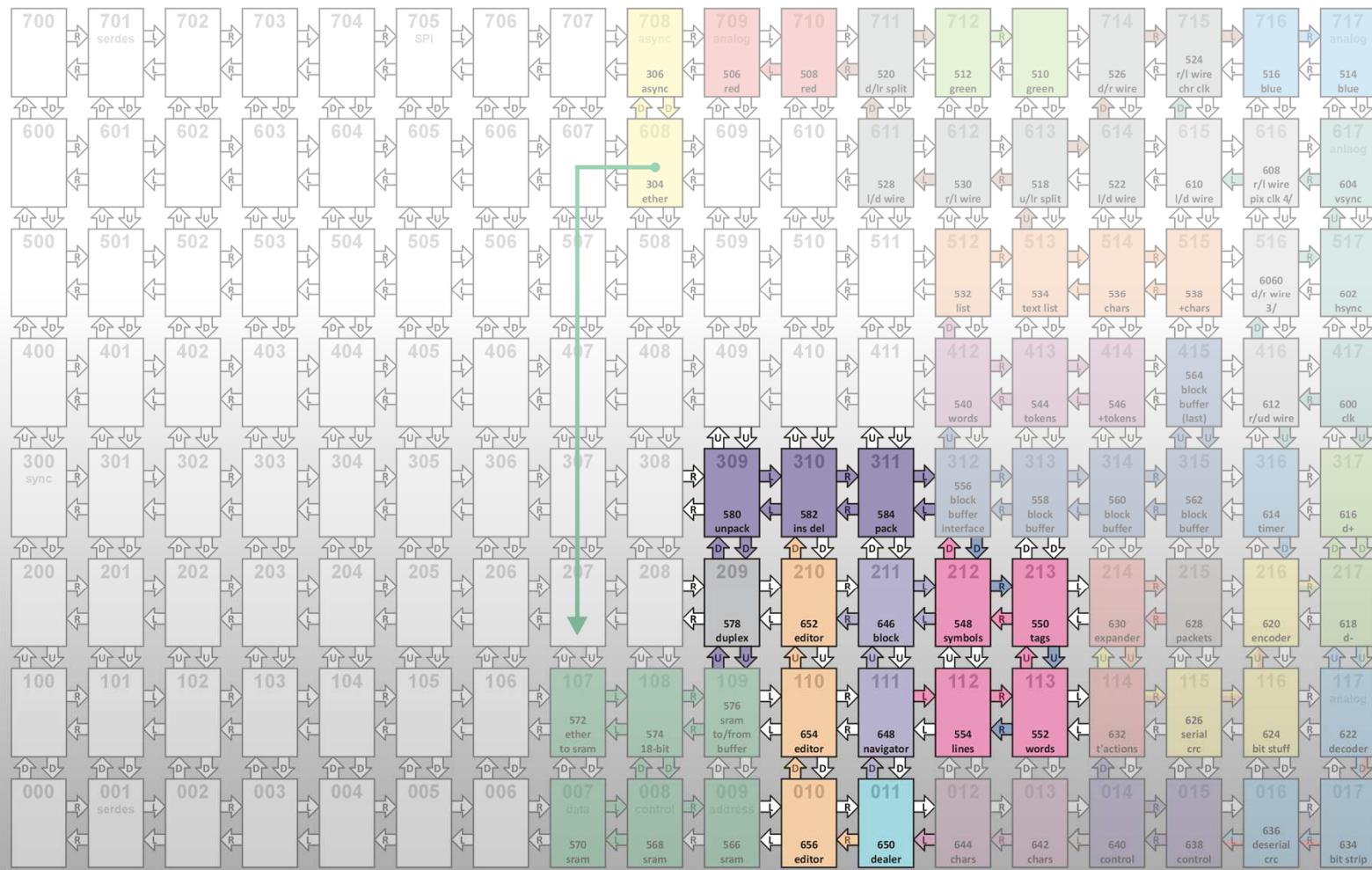
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## etherForth - video syncs & char clock



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## etherForth - editor



# *DEMO II*

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<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ftot1N9Jaas&t=49m56s>

# CONCLUSION

# Can GA144 speak USB-ish?

**YES!** (at low speed, with one device only)



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