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UNIT I – PIC MICROCONTROLLER : HISTORY, FEATURES & ARCHITECTURE

TOPIC 4 – File Registers and Access Bank in PIC







- The file register of the PIC18 family can have a maximum of 4096 (4K) bytes.
- ➤With 4096 bytes, the file register has addresses of 000-FFFH.
- \succ The file register in the PIC18 is divided into 256 byte bank.
- Every PIC18 family member has at least one bank for the file

register.

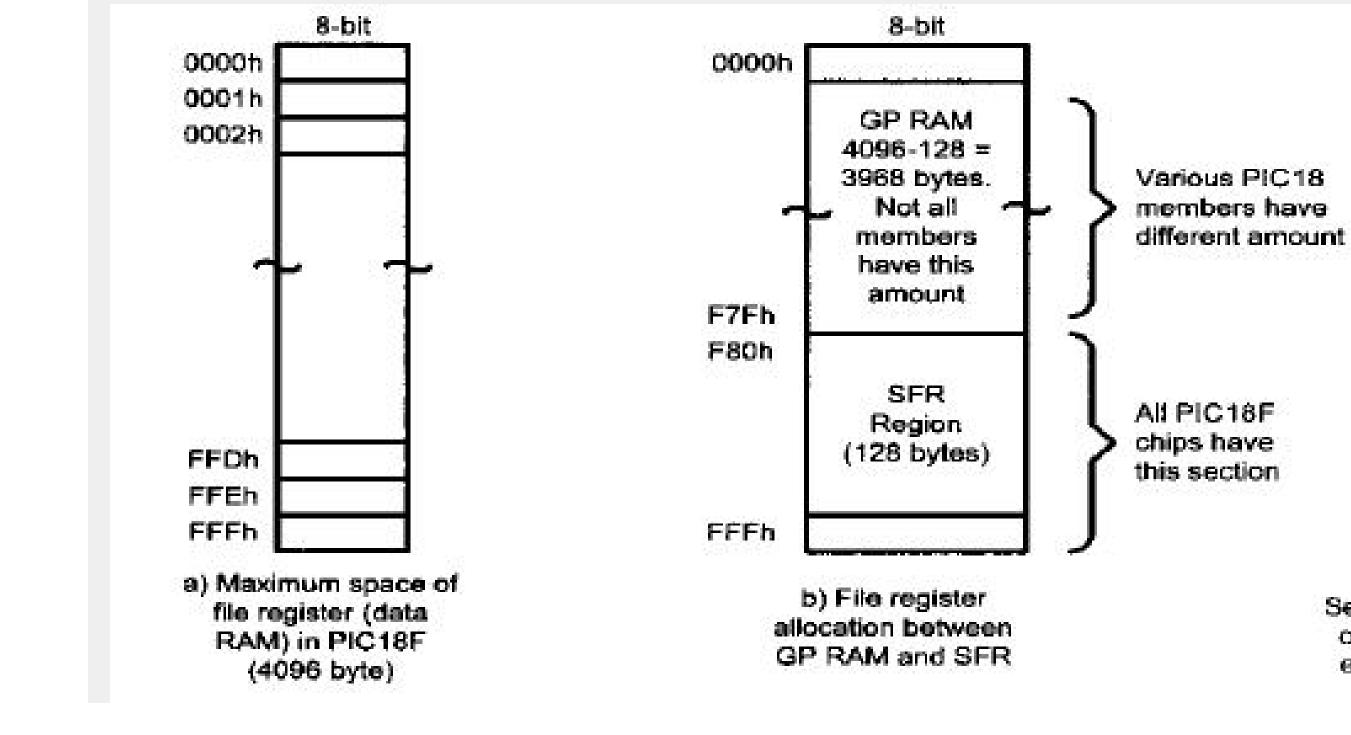
 \triangleright This bank is called the access bank and is the default bank when we power up the PIC18 chip.







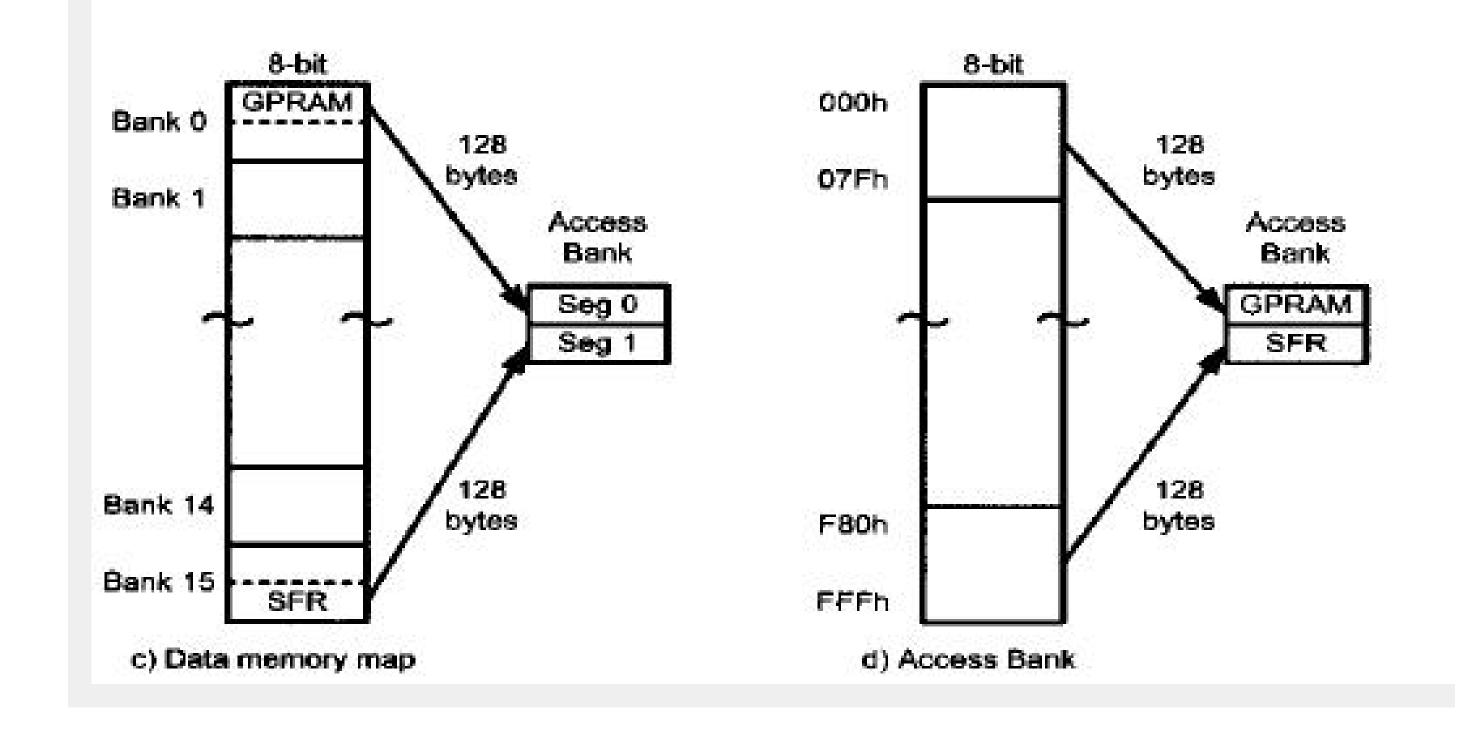
File Register in PIC





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- \succ The 256 byte access bank is divided into two equal sections of 128 bytes.
- \succ These 128 bytes sections are given to the general purpose registers and special function registers.
- The 128 bytes from locations 00H to 7FH are set aside for general purpose registers and are used for read / write storage, or what is normally called scratch pad.







 \succ These 128 locations of RAM are widely used for storing data and parameters by PIC18 programmers and C compilers. Each location of this 128 byte RAM of general purpose registers can be accessed directly by its address. We will use these locations in future chapters to store data brought into the CPU via I / O and serial ports. \succ Will also use then to define counters for time delay.







- The other 128 bytes of the access bank is used for special function registers.
- ➢ It has addresses of F80H to FFFH







Why the memory space of the SFRs and GPRs in the access bank is not contiguous?

The reason is to allow the RAM space between 080H and F7FH to be used for the general purpose registers GPRs by various members of the PIC18 if they implement a larger data RAM size for the file register.
A file register of more than 256 bytes will necessitate bank switching.





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>When programming the WREG register of the PIC microcontroller with a literal value, the following points should be noted: ➤• Values can be loaded directly into the WREG register. There is no need for a preceding pound sign or dollar sign to indicate that a value is an immediate value as is the case with some other microcontrollers.

▶• If values 0 to F are moved into an 8-bit register such as WREG, the rest of the bits are assumed to be all zeros





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