



# 8051 INTERRUPT



## Lecture -8



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- **Interrupts** are the events that temporarily suspend the main program, pass the control to the external sources and execute their task. It then passes the control to the main program where it had left off.
- It is a sub-routine call that is given by the microcontroller when some other program with high priority is requesting for acquiring the system buses than interrupt occur in current running program.
- Interrupts provide a method to postpone or delay the current process, perform a sub-routine task and then restart the standard program again.



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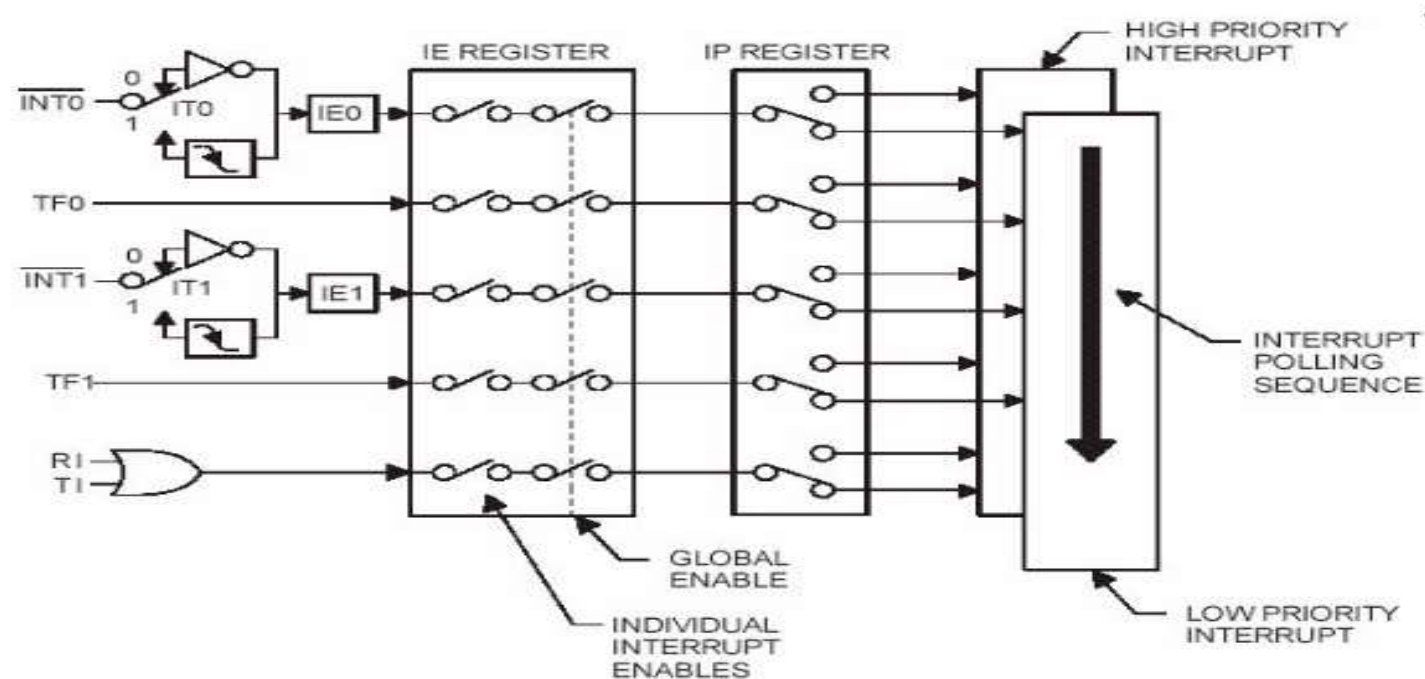
- Five sources of interrupts are
  - Timer 0 overflow interrupt - TF0
  - External hardware interrupt - INT0
  - Timer 1 overflow interrupt - TF1
  - External hardware interrupt - INT1
  - Serial communication interrupt - RI/TI
- The timer and serial interrupts are internally produced by the microcontroller
- the external interrupts are produced by additional interfacing devices or switches that are externally connected with the microcontroller.
- These external interrupts can be level triggered or edge triggered.



# 8051 INTERRUPT STRUCTURE



- After 'RESET' all the interrupts get disabled, and therefore, all the interrupts is enabled by software.
- From all the five interrupts, if anyone or all interrupt are activated, this will sets the corresponding interrupt flags.





# INTERRUPT ENABLE (IE) REGISTER



- used for enabling and disabling the interrupt.
- This is a bit addressable register in which EA value must be set to one for enabling interrupts.
- The individual bits in this register enables the particular interrupt like timer, serial and external inputs.

EA	--	--	ES	ET1	EX1	ET0	EX0
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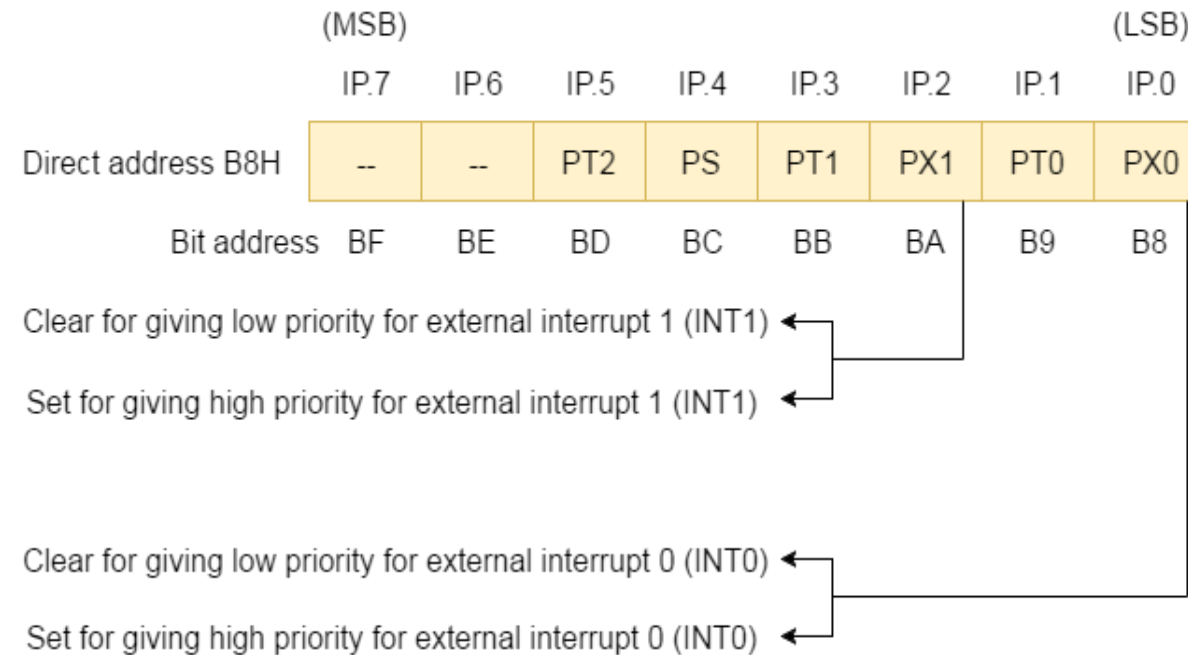
EA	IE.7	Disables all interrupts, If EA=0, no interrupt will be acknowledged. If EA=1, interrupt source is individually enable or disabled by setting or clearing its enable bit.
--	IE.6	Not implemented, reserved for future use*.
--	IE.5	Not implemented, reserved for future use*.
ES	IE.4	Enable or disable the Serial port interrupt.
ET1	IE.3	Enable or disable the Timer 1 overflow interrupt.
EX1	IE.2	Enable or disable External interrupt 1.
ET0	IE.1	Enable or disable the Timer 0 overflow interrupt.
EX0	IE.0	Enable or disable External interrupt 0.



# INTERRUPT PRIORITY (IP) REGISTER



- possible to change the priority levels of an interrupts by clearing or setting the individual bit in (IP) register.
- allows the low priority interrupt can interrupt the high-priority interrupt, but it prohibits the interruption by using another low-priority interrupt.
- If the priorities of interrupt are not programmed, then microcontroller executes the instruction in a predefined manner and its order are INT0, TF0, INT1, TF1, and SI.





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