

# Mode 50 – Pulse Catch Inputs

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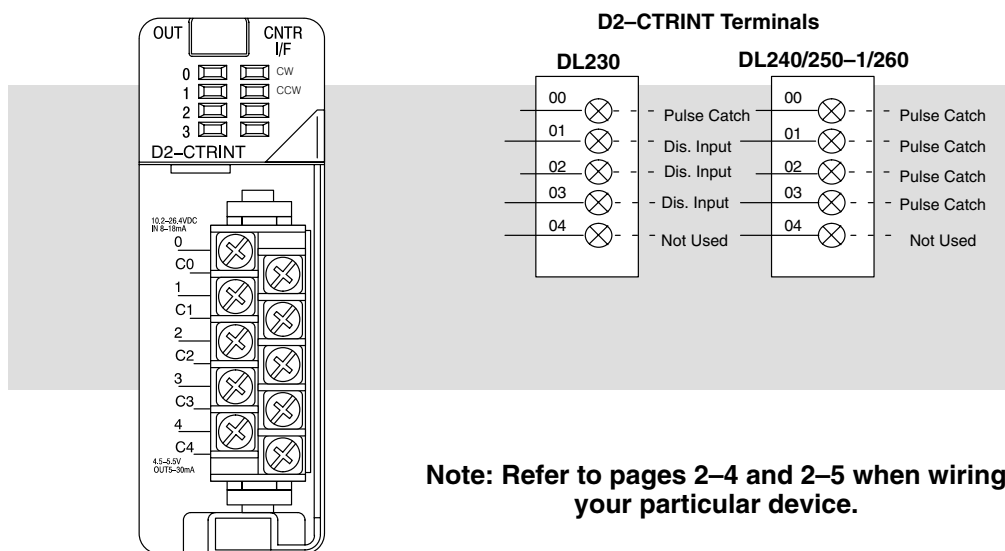
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## Using the Pulse Catch Inputs, Mode 50

It is recommended that you read Chapter 1, Getting Started, which introduces the six different modes of operation of the D2-CTRINT module, before selecting a mode. Even though several features can be mixed from several modes, *you must select one of the modes as your primary mode*. Pulse Catch Input, Mode 50 will be the only mode covered in this chapter.

It is also important to read Chapter 2, concerning the general guidelines for field wiring your device to the module. You may want to refer to Chapter 2 as you learn to make use of the D2-CTRINT's Pulse Catch Inputs. A good place to begin is to learn what each channel of the module represents when it is being used in the Pulse Catch Input mode.

### Default Settings for Pulse Catch Input Mode 50



**Note: Refer to pages 2-4 and 2-5 when wiring your particular device.**

Shown in the above diagram and illustration are points 00 through 03 which default to pulse catch inputs when the module is used with the DL240/250-1/260 and set to operate in Mode 50. When the module is used with the DL230 only point 00 can be used for the pulse catch input, and the remaining channels can be used as discrete filtered inputs. Chapter 8 contains information about the filter time constant.

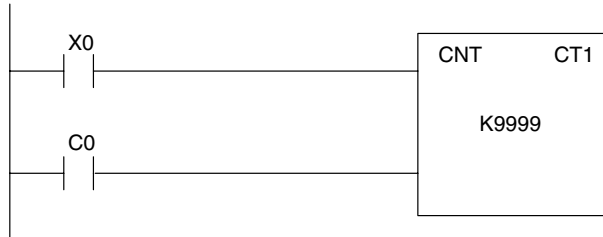
When used with the DL240/250-1/260, the channels which are not configured as pulse catch inputs can be configured for many different functions, or as discrete filtered inputs.

**Pulse Catching Explained**

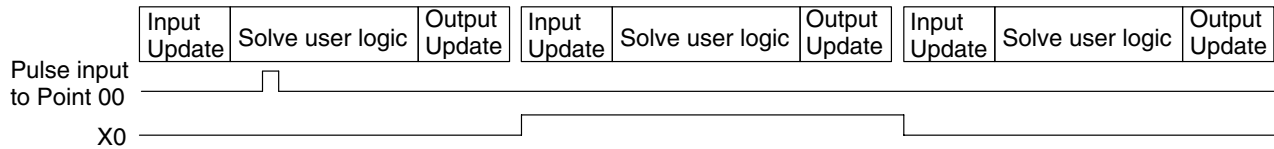
The following example will help to explain the Pulse Catch Mode.

**Counting pulses in Mode 50 (Pulse Catch Input)**

Counting input pulses in the user program has some problems to be considered.

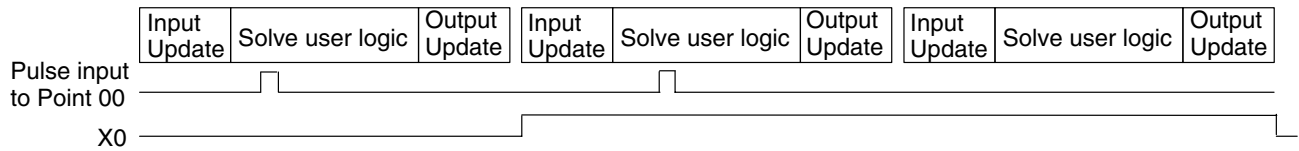


[Case 1] This is okay.



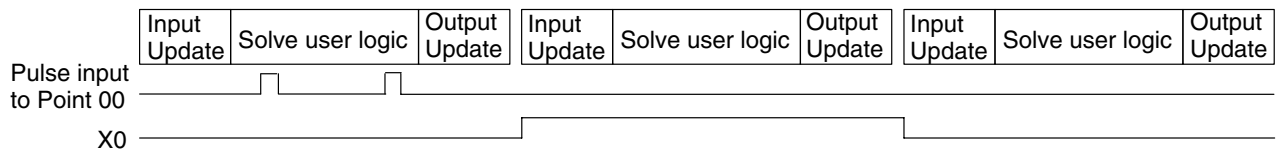
In this case, the pulse can be counted correctly.

[Case 2] This is not okay.



Both of these pulses are counted as one pulse.

[Case 3] This also is not okay.



Both of these pulses are also counted as one pulse.

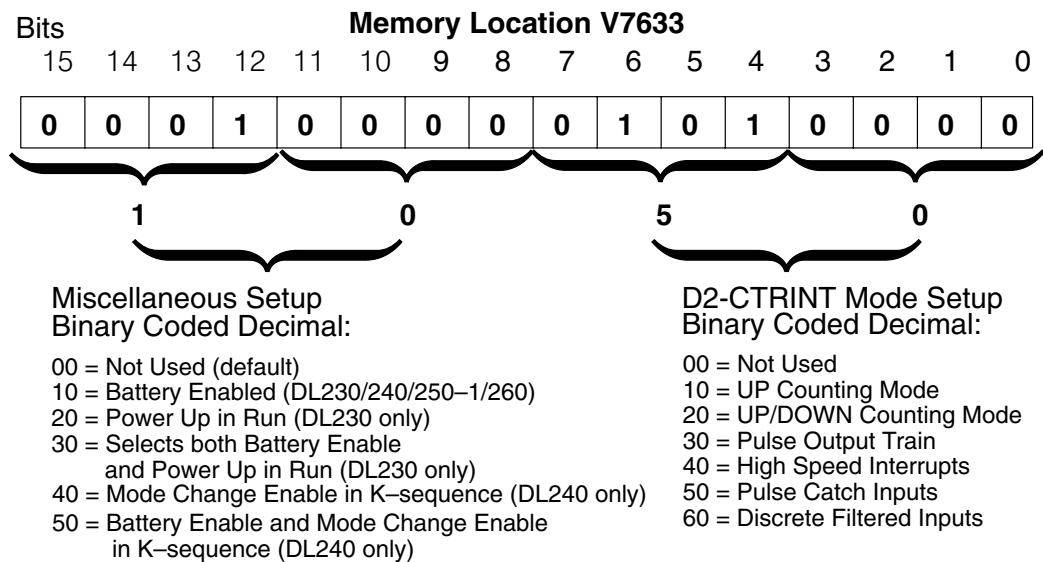
**To count the pulses correctly, Mode 10 or Mode 20 should be used.**

## Understanding V-Memory Setup Locations

The Pulse Catch Input, Mode 50, associated with the D2-CTRINT requires V-memory configuration in order to be used.

V-memory location V7633 is the most important of all the reserved memory areas because it stores the value which lets the CPU know which mode has been selected. The following diagram shows the 16-bit word and the various information it stores, including the values used for the Counter Interface Module.

The example shown here uses the Pulse Catch Input, Mode 50, the lower and upper bits are set to 10 so the backup battery is enabled. Together they form the hexadecimal number 1050.



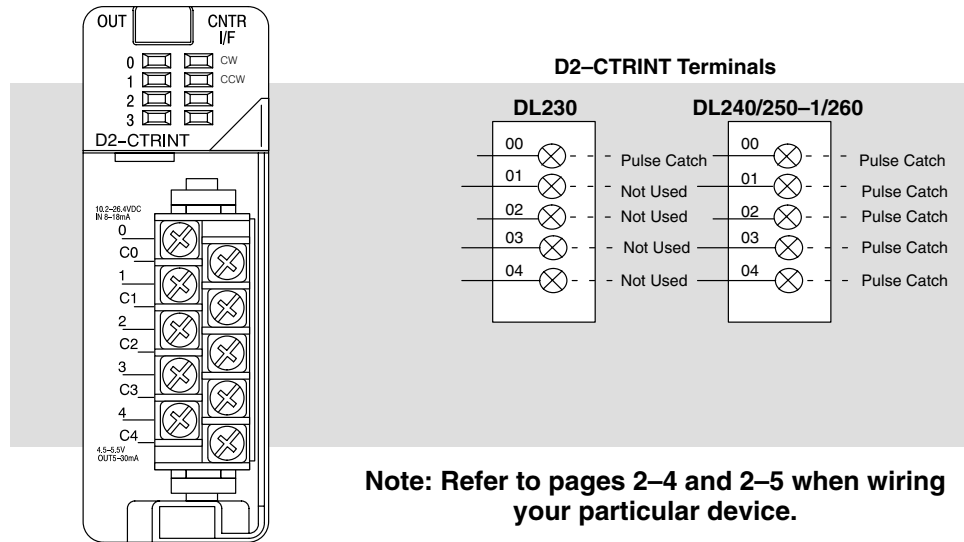
**NOTE:** It is important to look at the entire 16 bits at V7633. If the RLL program only sets the bits in the lower byte when entering the Counter Interface mode value, the upper bits will be overwritten with zeros (0's). Always enter a 4-digit BCD value in the V-memory. This way, the proper value will be written into the upper bits.

There are also other V-memory locations which contain Counter Interface setup information for each I/O point. They will be automatically configured with default values for each Counter Interface mode selected.

**Default Settings** When xx50 is written to V7633, the CPU places the following default codes in V-memory.

Configuration	Point 00/V7634	Point 01/V7635	Point 02/V7636	Point 03/V7637	Point 04
<b>DL230 Hexadecimal Code</b>	Pulse Catch Input 0005	Not Used 0000	Not Used 0000	Not Used 0000	Not Used
<b>DL240/250-1/260 Hexadecimal Code</b>	Pulse Catch Input 0005	Pulse Catch Input 0005	Pulse Catch Input 0005	Pulse Catch Input 0005	Not Used

**Default Settings for Interrupt Input Mode 60**



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## Custom Configuration

Up to this point, only Mode 50 default settings have been discussed. The default settings will be suitable for many applications and will not require a custom configuration. However, for those applications needing the defaults changed so the D2-CTRINT will work for the applications, use the following table which contains the options available.

### Mode 50 Options

Point Number	V-Memory Location	Possibility (One per point)	Hex Value
point 00	V7634	Pulse Catch Input	0005 (DL240/250-1/260) default
		High Speed Interrupt (timed)	ttt4 (ttt=1 to 999ms timer setting)
		Discrete Filtered Input	xx06 (xx=filter time)
		High Speed Interrupt (DL240/250-1/260)	0004
point 01	V7635	Pulse Catch Input (DL240/250-1/260)	0005 (DL240/250-1/260) default
		Discrete Filtered Input	xx06 (xx=filter time)
		High Speed Interrupt (DL240/250-1/260)	0004
point 02	V7636	Pulse Catch Input (DL240/250-1/260)	0005 (DL240/250-1/260) default
		Discrete Filtered Input	xx06 (xx=filter time)
		High Speed Interrupt (DL240/250-1/260)	0004
point 03	V7637	Pulse Catch Input (DL240/250-1/260)	0005 (DL240/250-1/260) default
		High Speed Interrupt (DL240/250-1/260)	0004
		Discrete Filtered Input	xx06 (xx=filter time)
point 04	V7637	Not available in Mode 50	_____

## Setting UP the CPU for the Pulse Catch Inputs

### Configuring the V-Memory

The DL240, DL250-1 or DL260 CPUs checks the V-memory to see if there is a D2-CTRINT Module present. There will be the value 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 or 60 in V7633 if the module has been properly configured. If the CPU finds that a Counter Interface module is present, other V-memory locations will be checked to see how the module has been configured.

The values can be entered into memory by using either a handheld programmer or by editing them into a control program using **DirectSOFT32**. The following examples will show how to use **DirectSOFT32** to configure the Pulse Catch Inputs.

### Step 1: Enter the Mode Selected

If Mode 50, Pulse Catch Input, has been chosen as the primary function, the value 50 must be placed in V7633. The following **DirectSOFT32** diagram shows the setup procedures for communicating with the DL240/250-1/260 CPU. Refer to the **DirectSOFT32 Programmers User Manual** for more details.

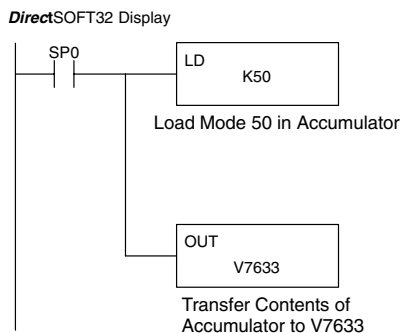
**Setting the V-Memory using RLL**

**Setting the V-Memory using the Memory Editor**

Address	Value	Address	Value
V7633	50	V7643	0
V7634	5	V7644	0
V7635	5	V7645	0
V7636	5	V7646	0
V7637	5	V7647	0
V7640	0	V7650	0
V7641	0	V7651	0
V7642	0	V7652	0

Editing the D2-CTRINT setup at the beginning of the user program is the most efficient method for setting up the counter mode. Should there be a need to change any of the counter setup values after the PLC has been put in the RUN Mode, use the Memory Editor to change the values. These values will only be temporary. They should be put into the program if they are to be used permanently.

The following RLL example shows how to set the Pulse Catch Input, Mode 50, in V-memory location V7633.



Two commands are needed to put the values into V-memory. The value must first be loaded into the accumulator of the CPU, then the CPU must transfer the value to the memory location. In this case, 50 is to be placed in V7633. This value is loaded into the accumulator, LD K50. The CPU then writes this data to the memory location V7633, once it reads the OUT command, OUT V7633. Notice that an SP0 contact is used in this rung. This relay is on for the first scan only. This will load the values into memory initially, thereby keeping the scan time to a minimum.

### Step 2: How Many Pulse Catch Inputs

Up to four(4) pulse catch inputs can be used with the DL240/250-1/260 CPUs and one (1) pulse catch input for the DL230 CPU. The following steps will discuss the programming for each channel which has an interrupt device wired to it.

### Step 3: Configure the V-Memory

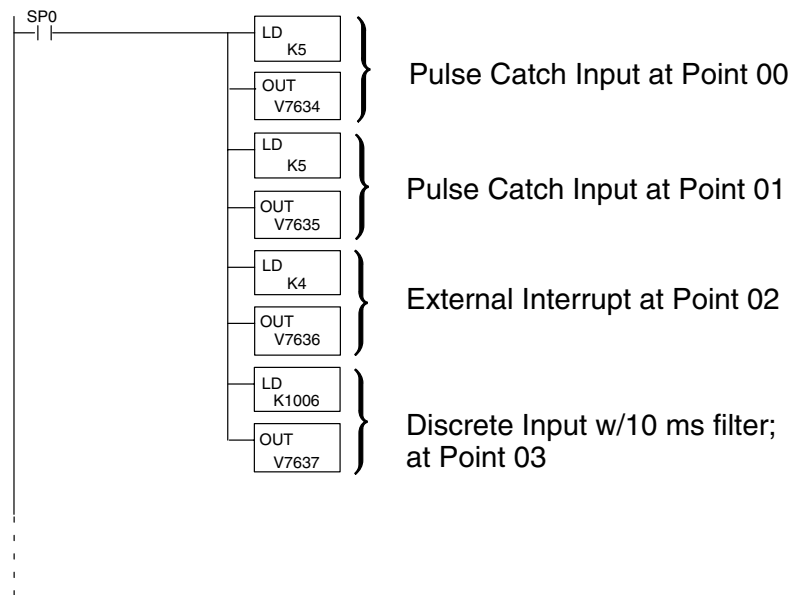
The table below gives a description for each of the V-memory locations that must be configured for each I/O point which are selected to have high speed interrupt capability.

V-Memory	Description
V7633	Primary Mode (Pulse Catch=50)
V7634	Point 00
V7635	Point 01
V7636	Point 02
V7637	Point 03



In the below example, Channels 1 and 2 are configured as Pulse Catch Inputs, Channel 3 is to be a Discrete Filtered Input, and Channel 4 to be an Interrupt Input.

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Notice that the hex number 5 is stored in the V-memory locations for each I/O point which are to be Pulse Catch Inputs. The number 4 is used for an external interrupt at an I/O point, and Kxx06 is used for a programmable discrete filtered input (where xx represents the filtering time constant in milliseconds.)

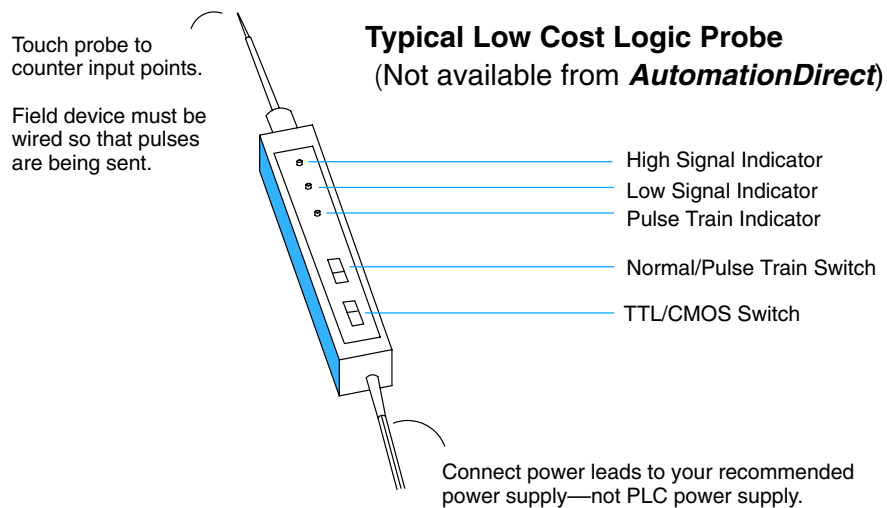
## Troubleshooting

The following information may provide some assistance in handling any problems which may be encountered when setting up the D2-CTRINT module, should they occur. **Experience has shown that most problems occur because of improper configuration. Always re-check configuration before anything else.**

For verifying types of inputs (or outputs) which do not relate to the Pulse Catch Input, see the Chapters in this manual covering the specific function. Listed below are some things that could possibly go wrong with the high speed interrupt inputs:

1. No pulse catching appears to be taking place.
2. The status indicator LED is not lit for the input point where the pulse catching is wired (i.e. points 00 and 01).

**Defective Field Device** - If a field device is suspected to be faulty, verify its proper operation first. Examine the characteristics of the pulses being received with an oscilloscope, test equipment type digital counter, or an inexpensive logic probe.



Check the specifications for the field device. Make certain that the output signal matches the specifications of the D2-CTRINT module.

**Pulse Width** – The pulse width may be too narrow. The positive transition must remain HIGH for at least 0.1 ms in order for the module to detect its presence.

**Wiring** - Simple as this might seem, quite often poor wiring is the cause of many problems. Be sure there is a complete electrical loop between the device and the input module. Along with visual inspection, use a voltmeter to check the wiring.

**Input Voltage** - If the input device is sending a signal that is less than 12 volts, most likely the counter will not function or function improperly. Replace the field device with one which has the proper output level if necessary.

**Improper Configuration** - Verify that proper values have been used in the configuration. If interfacing a DL230, point 00 is the only point available for pulse catching.

**Status Indicators** – Make sure the PWR or BAT LED's are not lit on the CPU. Be sure that the status indicators are lit as the pulse signals are received at the proper input point on the D2-CTRINT module. If an LED is not functioning, check the point with a voltmeter to be sure that the I/O point is being energized. .