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## **TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION**

### **REMOTE CONTROL TRANSMITTER**

#### **Introduction**

This transmitter sends remote control commands to products such as window shades, blinds, lights, and other similar devices.

The transmitter operates at 433.42 MHz. The control signal consists of a control word, a sequence number to distinguish each button push, a transmitter identification number and a checksum for error control. The modulation is on-off keying with an average duty cycle of about 50 percent. Each data packet lasts for about 140 milliseconds. Packets are sent so long as one of the user push buttons is pressed, and stops when the button is released. Even if a button is continuously pressed as in a stuck switch, the transmitter output will stop in about 10 seconds until the button is released and pressed again.

#### **Technical Specifications**

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|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Transmitter frequency     | 433.42 MHz +/- 200 kHz              |
| Transmitter stabilization | SAW resonator                       |
| Microcontroller clock     | 1.00 MHz +/- 0.5% ceramic resonator |
| Modulation                | On\ off keying                      |
| Data rate                 | Approximately 1 kbps                |
| Power source              | 1 Lithium coin cell type 2450       |

#### **Circuit Description**

The transmitter uses a standard Colpits oscillator, the frequency of which is controlled by a SAW resonator. A second stage is an amplifier used to isolate the oscillator from the antenna. The antenna is a wire about 5 inches long.

The circuit is controlled by an 8 bit microcontroller. The microcontroller clock uses a 1 MHz ceramic resonator as the frequency determining element. When a used button switch is pressed, the microcomputer is woken up from sleep and turns the transmitter on and off to send the signal indicating which button is pressed.

Transmission occurs only while a button is held down. If a button is held down continuously, transmission stops after approximately 10 seconds.