TMS320VC5409A Digital Signal Processor Silicon Errata

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REVISION HISTORY

This revision history highlights the technical changes made to SPRZ186B to make it an SPRZ186C revision.

Scope: This document has been reviewed for technical accuracy; the technical content is up-to-date as of the specified release date including the following changes.

| PAGE(s) NO. | ADDITIONS/CHANGES/DELETIONS |
|----------------|--|
| 10 | Added "DMA sub-address register" to second sentence of Workaround. |



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1 Introduction

This document describes the silicon updates to the functional specifications for the TMS320VC5409A silicon. The errata are applicable to:

- TMS320VC5409A (144-pin LQFP, PGE suffix)
- TMS320VC5409A (144-pin MicroStar BGA™, GGU suffix)

1.1 Quality and Reliability Conditions

TMX Definition

Texas Instruments (TI) does not warranty either (1) electrical performance to specification, or (2) product reliability for products classified as "TMX." By definition, the product has not completed data sheet verification or reliability performance qualification according to TI Quality Systems Specifications.

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TMP Definition

TI does not warranty product reliability for products classified as "TMP." By definition, the product has not completed reliability performance qualification according to TI Quality Systems Specifications; however, products are tested to a published electrical and mechanical specification.

TMS Definition

Fully-qualified production device.

1.2 Device and Development-Support Tool Nomenclature

To designate the stages in the product development cycle, TI assigns prefixes to the part numbers of all TMS320™ DSP devices and support tools. Each TMS320™ DSP commercial family member has one of three prefixes: TMX, TMP, or TMS. Texas Instruments recommends two of three possible prefix designators for support tools: TMDX and TMDS. These prefixes represent evolutionary stages of product development from engineering prototypes (TMX/TMDX) through fully qualified production devices/tools (TMS/TMDS).

Device development evolutionary flow:

TMX Experimental device that is not necessarily representative of the final device's electrical specifications

TMP Final silicon die that conforms to the device's electrical specifications but has not completed quality and reliability verification

TMS Fully qualified production device

Support tool development evolutionary flow:

TMDX Development-support product that has not yet completed Texas Instruments internal qualification testing.

TMDS Fully qualified development-support product

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TMS devices and TMDS development-support tools have been characterized fully, and the quality and reliability of the device have been demonstrated fully. Tl's standard warranty applies.

Predictions show that prototype devices (TMX or TMP) have a greater failure rate than the standard production devices. Texas Instruments recommends that these devices not be used in any production system because their expected end-use failure rate still is undefined. Only qualified production devices are to be used.

The device revision can be determined by the lot trace code marked on the top of the package. The locations for the lot trace codes for the PGE and the GGU packages are shown in Figure 1 and Figure 2, respectively.

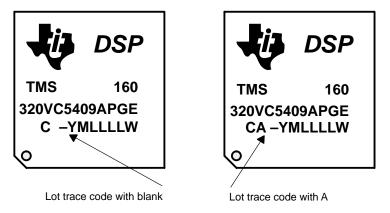
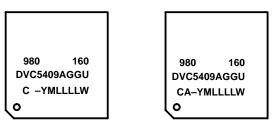


Figure 1. Example, Typical Lot Trace Code for TMS320VC5409A DSP (PGE)



NOTE: Qualified devices in the PGE package are marked with the letters "TMS" at the beginning of the device name, while nonqualified devices in the PGE package are marked with the letters "TMX" or "TMP" at the beginning of the device name. Similarly, qualified devices in the GGU package are marked with the letters "DV" at the beginning of the device name, and nonqualified devices in the GGU package are marked with the letters "XDV" or "PDV" at the beginning of the device name.

Figure 2. Example, Typical Lot Trace Code for TMS320VC5409A DSP (GGU)

| Lot Trace Code | Silicon Revision | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| Blank (no second letter in prefix) | Indicates Initial Silicon | |
| A (second letter in prefix is A) | Indicates Revision A Silicon | |
| B (second letter in prefix is B) | Indicates Revision B Silicon | |



2 Known Design Marginality/Exceptions to Functional Specifications

Table 1. Summary of Advisories

| Description | Revision Affected | Page |
|--|-------------------|------|
| HPI HINT | All revisions | 6 |
| Far Branches/Calls/Interrupts From Active Repeat Blocks (BRAF) | All revisions | 7 |
| Round (RND) Instruction Clears Pending Interrupts | All revisions | 8 |
| TOUT Jitter | All revisions | 8 |
| CPU Read/DMA Write | Initial silicon | 8 |
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Advisory HPI HINT

Revision(s) Affected: All revisions

Details: The HPI will become locked up, with HRDY stuck low, if both the host processor and the

TMS320VC5409A CPU write a one (1) to HINT at the same time.

Workaround: Avoid performing redundant operations to the HINT bit. Both the Host and the CPU should

check to see if HINT is set before trying to write a one (1) to this bit.

For: If... Then...

the HOST HINT is **not** set... Do not try to clear HINT by writing a one (1) to it,

because the CPU may try to set it.

the CPU HINT is **already** set... Do not try to set HINT again by writing a one (1)

to it, since the HOST may try to clear it.



Advisory

Far Branches/Calls/Interrupts From Active Repeat Blocks (BRAF)

Revision(s) Affected:

All revisions

Details:

When a block repeat is interrupted by a far call, far branch, or interrupt to another page; and a program memory address in the called routine happens to have the same lower 16 bits as the block-repeat end address (REA), a branch to the 16-bit block-repeat start address (RSA) is executed on the current page until the block-repeat counter decrements to 0. The XPC is ignored during these occurrences.

Workaround:

Use one of the following workarounds:

1. If the called routine must be on a different page and has a program memory address that has the same lower 16 bits as the REA, save ST1 and clear the BRAF in the vector table before entering the called routine with the following two instructions:

PSHM ST1 RSBX BRAF

Then, restore ST1 before returning from the called routine. In the case of an interrupt service routine, these two instructions can be included in the delay slots following a delayed-branch instruction (BD) at the interrupt vector location. Then, the ST1 is restored before returning from the routine. With this method, BRAF is always inactive while in the called routine. If BRAF was not active at the time of the call, the RSBX BRAF has no effect.

- 2. Put the called routine on the same page as the interruptible block-repeat code. This can be achieved automatically by placing the interrupt vector table and the interrupt service routines or other called routines on the overlay pages. If this approach is used, far branches/calls are not necessary and the situation is completely avoided.
- 3. Avoid putting the called routine on other pages where a program memory address has the same lower 16 bits as the REA.
- 4. Use the BANZ instruction as a substitute for the block repeat.



Advisory

Round (RND) Instruction Clears Pending Interrupts

Revision(s) Affected:

All revisions

Details:

The RND (round) instruction opcode is decoded incorrectly and will write to the interrupt flag register (IFR) with the data from the data write bus (E bus). Therefore, it could cause the

pending interrupt to be missed.

Workaround:

Do not use the RND instruction. Replace the RND instruction with an ADD instruction as

follows:

For this instruction ...

RND src[,dst]

ADD #1,15,src[,dst]

Use ...

Advisory

TOUT Jitter

Revision(s) Affected:

All revisions

Details:

When the CLKOUT divide factor is set to a non-zero value, the timer output exhibits jitter

because pulse width differ by one or two CLKOUT periods.

Workaround:

Set DIVFCT to 0.

Advisory

CPU Read/DMA Write

Revision(s) Affected:

Initial silicon

Details:

A CPU read of on-chip memory can be corrupted if it reads the address that was last written by the CPU, while external DMA writes are occurring. The following characteristics apply to this problem:

- This problem happens when external DMA writes are active [i.e., whenever the destination of a DMA transfer is an external memory address (program, data, or IO)].
- The source of the DMA transfer is not relevant to the problem.
- The DMA and CPU do not have to be accessing the same block of memory for the problem to occur.
- This can affect CPU reads of DARAM memory blocks.

Workaround:

The following workarounds apply:

- Rearrange code such that CPU reads of the last address written by the CPU do not occur.
 For example, in sections of code where this is a problem, always precede a CPU read
 with a write of a different address.
- 2. Do not use the DMA controller to perform external writes.



Advisory DMPREC

Revision(s) Affected:

Initial silicon

Details:

When updating the DE bits of the DMPREC register while one or more DMA channel transfers are in progress, it is possible for the write to the DMPREC to cause an additional transfer on one of the active channels.

The problem occurs when an active channel completes a transfer at the same time that the user updates the DMPREC register. When the transfer completes, the DMA logic attempts to clear the DE bit corresponding to the complete channel transfer, but the register is instead updated with the CPU write (usually an ORM instruction) which can set the bit and cause an additional transfer on the channel. Refer to the example below for further clarification:

Example:

DMPREC value = 00C1h, corresponding to the following channel activity:

| Channel 0 – enabled and running. | (DE0 = 1) |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Channel 1 – disabled. | (DE1 = 0) |
| Channel 2 – disabled. | (DE2 = 0) |
| Channel 3 – disabled. | (DE3 = 0) |
| Channel 4 – disabled. | (DE4 = 0) |
| Channel 5 – disabled. | (DE5 = 0) |

If the following conditions occur simultaneously:

- Channel 0 transfer completes and DMA logic clears DE0 internally.
- User code attempts to enable another channel (e.g., ORM #2, DMPREC)

The user code will re-enable channel 0 (DMPREC value written = 00C3h), and an additional, unintended transfer will begin on channel 0.

Workaround:

There are a few conditions under which this problem does not occur. If all active DMA channels are configured in ABU mode or in autoinitialization mode, then the problem does not occur because the channels remain enabled until they are disabled by user code. The problem is also avoided in applications that use only one DMA channel at a time.

Systems that use multiple DMA channels simultaneously in multiframe mode without autoinitialization are most likely to have this problem. In such systems one of the following methods can be used to avoid the problem:

- Always wait for all channels to complete existing transfers before re-enabling any channels, and always enable all channels at the same time.
- Before enabling a channel, check the progress of any on-going transfers by reading the
 element and frame counts of each active channel. If any active channel is within two
 element transfers of completing a block transfer, then wait until the active channel
 completes the block transfer before writing to the DMPREC register. Otherwise, if all
 active channels have more than two element transfers left in a block transfer, it is safe to
 update the DMPREC register.



DMPREC (Continued)

Workaround: A hardware workaround has been implemented on the 5409A, Revision A device. This

solution consists of an additional memory mapped register, DMCECTL (DMA Channel Enable

Control), at DMA sub-address register 0x003E, with the following characteristics:

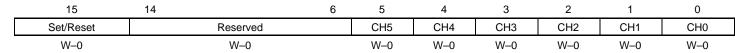


Figure 3. DMA Channel Enable Control Register (DMCECTL)

Table 2. DMA Channel Enable Control Register (DMCECTL) Description

| BIT FIELD | RESET VALUE | DESCRIPTION |
|-----------|----------------|--|
| CH0-CH5 | 0 | These bits are used in conjunction with the set/reset bit to write to the individual DE bits of the DMPREC register. |
| | | Corresponding DE bit in the DMPREC register is unaffected by the Set/Reset bit. |
| | | Corresponding bit in the DMPREC register is set or cleared depending on the state of Set/Reset. |
| Reserved | 0 | Reserved. |
| Set/Reset | 0 | Sets or clears individual DE bits of the DMPREC register according to the values of CH0–CH5. |
| | | Clears the DE bits of the DMPREC register as specified by CH0–CH5. |
| | | 1) Sets the DE bits of the DMPREC register as specified by CH0–CH5. |

Use this register to enable or disable DMA channels instead of writing to the DMPREC register. For example, to enable channels zero and five, write a value of 0x8021 to address 0x03E. In this case only DE0 and DE5 of the DMPREC are set to 1. For another example, to disable channel one, write a value of 0x02 to address 0x03E. In this case, only DE1 is cleared. Note that this is a write-only register.

Advisory On-Chip Oscillator Support

Revision(s) Affected: Initial silicon

Details: On-chip oscillator does not function properly.

Workaround: Avoid using crystal as clock source with the on-chip oscillator. Functionality described in

TMS320VC5409A Fixed-Point Digital Signal Processor data manual (literature number

SPRS140) is not supported until silicon revision A.



3 Documentation Support

For device-specific data sheets and related documentation, visit the TI web site at: http://www.ti.com

For further information regarding the TMS320VC5409A, please refer to:

- TMS320VC5409A Fixed-Point Digital Signal Processor data manual, literature number SPRS140
- TMS320C54x™ DSP Functional Overview, literature number SPRU307

The five-volume TMS320C54x DSP Reference Set, literature number SPRU210, consisting of:

- Volume 1: CPU and Peripherals, literature number SPRU131
- Volume 2: Mnemonic Instruction Set, literature number SPRU172
- Volume 3: Algebraic Instruction Set, literature number SPRU179
- Volume 4: Applications Guide, literature number SPRU173
- Volume 5: Enhanced Peripherals, literature number SPRU302

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