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Intel® Celeron® Processor in the 478-Pin Package

Specification Update

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Notice: The Intel® Celeron® Processor in the 478-Pin Package may contain design defects or errors known as errata which may cause the product to deviate from published specifications. Current characterized errata are documented in this Specification Update.

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Revision History

Version	Description	Date
-001	Initial release.	May 2002
-002	Added erratum AC35. Added Documentation Changes AC4- AC5. Updated processor identification information table.	June 2002
-003	Added erratum AC37. Added Documentation Changes AC3- AC12.	July 2002
-004	Updated with Intel® Celeron® Processor on 0.13 Micron Process and in the 478-Pin Package. Added erratum AC38. Updated Erratum AC17. Added Documentation Changes AC3- AC24.	September 2002
-005	Added erratum AC39. Added Documentation Changes AC25- AC32.	October 2002
-006	Added Erratum AC40. Added Spec Change V1. Added Documentation Changes AC1- AC10. Updated processor identification information table.	November 2002
-007	Added Erratum AC41.	January 2003
-008	Added Erratum AC42.	February 2003
-009	Updated Erratum AC41. Added erratum AC43. Updated processor identification information table	March 2003
-010	Added Specification clarification AC1. Updated processor identification information table. Added Errata AC44 and AC45.	May 2003
-011	Updated processor identification information table. Updated Erratum AC40.	June 2003
-012	Updated processor identification information table. Added D1 step update.	June 2003
-013	Added Erratum AC46, AC47 and AC49. Updated processor identification information table.	August 2003
-014	Added Erratum AC49, AC50 and AC51. Updated processor identification information table.	September 2003
-015	Updated Erratum AC51. Updated processor identification information table.	November 2003
-016	Added Errata AC52- AC56.	March 2004
-017	Updated Erratum AC16. Added Erratum AC57.	April 2004
-018	Removed Errata that were previously called AC54 & AC55. Added Errata AC56 and AC57.	June 2004
-019	Updated Erratum AC11 & added Erratum AC58.	August 2004
-020	Added Errata AC59- AC61.	September 2004
-021	Added Erratum AC62- AC63	October 2004
-022	Updated processor identification information table. Added Erratum V64	November 2004

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Version	Description	Date
-023	Added Erratum AC65	December 2004
-024	• Added specification clarification AC1.	April 2005
-025	• Changed the Errata ID tag from "V" to "AC". Updated Summary table of changes. Updated Microcode Update Guide and .PDB file guide. Added Erratum AC66.	October 2005
-026	• Updated erratum AC40.	January 2006
-027	• Updated document numbers for Software Developers Manuals.	March 2006
-028	• Added erratum AC67 and AC68. Updated Summary Table of Changes.	April 2006
-029	• Added erratum AC69. Updated Summary Table of Changes.	June 2006
-030	• Updated the names of the Software Developer Manuals. Updated Summary Table of Changes. Updated Links.	October 2006

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Preface

This document is an update to the specifications contained in the documents listed in the following Affected Documents/Related Documents table. It is a compilation of device and document errata and specification clarifications and changes, and is intended for hardware system manufacturers and for software developers of applications, operating system, and tools.

Information types defined in the Nomenclature section of this document are consolidated into this update document and are no longer published in other documents. This document may also contain information that has not been previously published.

Affected Documents

Document Title	Document Number
Intel® Celeron® Processor in the 478-Pin Package up to 1.80 GHz Datasheet	http://developer.intel.com/design/celeron/datashts/251748.htm
Intel® Celeron® Processor on 0.13 Micron Process in the 478-Pin Package	http://developer.intel.com/support/processors/celeron/478/

Related Documents

Document Title	Document Number
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 1: Basic Architecture	*253665*
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 2A: Instruction Set Reference, A-M	*253666*
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 2B: Instruction Set Reference, N-Z	*253667*
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 3A: System Programming Guide	*253668*
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 3B: System Programming Guide	*253669*

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Nomenclature

S-Spec Number is a five-digit code used to identify products. Products are differentiated by their unique characteristics (e.g., core speed, L2 cache size, package type, etc.) as described in the processor identification information table. Care should be taken to read all notes associated with each S-Spec number

Errata are design defects or errors. Errata may cause the Intel® Celeron® processor in the 478-pn package behavior to deviate from published specifications. Hardware and software designed to be used with any given stepping must assume that all errata documented for that stepping are present on all devices.

Specification Changes are modifications to the current published specifications. These changes will be incorporated in the next release of the specifications.

Specification Clarifications describe a specification in greater detail or further highlight a specification's impact to a complex design situation. These clarifications will be incorporated in the next release of the specifications.

Documentation Changes include typos, errors, or omissions from the current published specifications. These changes will be incorporated in the next release of the specifications.

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Summary Tables of Changes

The following table indicates the Specification Changes, Errata, Specification Clarifications, or Documentation Changes that apply to the listed component steppings. Intel intends to fix some of the errata in a future stepping of the component, and to account for the other outstanding issues through documentation or Specification Changes as noted. This table uses the following notations:

Codes Used in Summary Table

Stepping

X:	Erratum, Specification Change or Clarification that applies to this stepping.
(No mark) or (Blank Box):	This erratum is fixed in listed stepping or specification change does not apply to listed stepping.

Status

Doc:	Document change or update that will be implemented.
PlanFix:	This erratum may be fixed in a future stepping of the product.
Fixed:	This erratum has been previously fixed.
NoFix:	There are no plans to fix this erratum.
PKG:	This column refers to errata on the Celeron processor in the 478-pin package substrate
AP:	APIC related erratum.
Shaded:	This item is either new or modified from the previous version of the document.

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Note: Each Specification Update item is prefixed with a capital letter to distinguish the product. The key below details the letters that are used in Intel's microprocessor Specification Updates:

A = Dual-Core Intel® Xeon® processor 7000 sequence
B = Mobile Intel ® Pentium ® II processor
C = Intel ® Celeron ® processor
E = Intel ® Pentium ® III processor
F = Intel® Pentium® processor Extreme Edition and Intel® Pentium® D processor
G = Intel ® Pentium ® III Xeon™ processor
H = Mobile Intel ® Celeron ® processor at 466/433/400/366/333/300 and 266 MHz
J = 64-bit Intel® Xeon™ processor MP with 1MB L2 Cache
K = Mobile Intel ® Pentium ® III processor
L = Intel ® Celeron ® D processor
M = Mobile Intel ® Celeron ® processor
N = Intel ® Pentium ® 4 processor
O = Intel ® Xeon™ processor MP
P = Intel ® Xeon™ processor
Q = Mobile Intel® Pentium® 4 processor supporting Hyper-Threading Technology on 90-nm process technology
R = Intel® Pentium® 4 processor on 90 nm process
S = 64-bit Intel® Xeon™ processor with 800 MHz system bus (1 MB and 2 MB L2 cache versions)
T = Mobile Intel® Pentium® 4 processor-M
V = Mobile Intel® Celeron® processor on .13 Micron Process in Micro-FCPGA Package
W= Intel® Celeron® M processor
X = Intel® Pentium® M processor on 90nm process with 2-MB L2 Cache
Y = Intel® Pentium® M processor
Z = Mobile Intel ® Pentium ® 4 processor with 533 MHz system bus
AA = Intel® Pentium® processor Extreme Edition and Intel® Pentium® D processor on 65nm
AB = Intel® Pentium® 4 processor on 65 nm process
AC = Intel® Celeron® processor in 478 Pin Package
AD = Intel® Celeron® D processor on 65nm process
AE = Intel® Core™ Duo Processor and Intel® Core™ Solo processor on 65nm process
AF = Dual-Core Intel® Xeon® processor LV
AG = Dual-Core Intel® Xeon® Processor 5100 Series
AH = Intel® Core™2 Duo mobile processor
AI = Intel® Core™2 Extreme Processor X6800$^\Delta$ and Intel® Core™2 Duo Desktop Processor E6000$^\Delta$ Sequence
AL = Dual-Core Intel® Xeon® Processor 7100 Series

NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	Plans	ERRATA
AC1	X	X	X	NoFix	I/O restart in SMM may fail after simultaneous machine check exception (MCE)
AC2	X	X	X	NoFix	MCA registers may contain invalid information if RESET# occurs and PWRGOOD is not held asserted

NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	Plans	ERRATA
AC3	X			Fixed	Uncacheable (UC) code in same line as write back (WB) data may lead to data corruption
AC4	X	X	X	NoFix	Transaction is not retried after BINIT#
AC5	X	X	X	NoFix	Invalid opcode 0FFFh requires a ModRM byte
AC6	X	X	X	NoFix	FSW may not be completely restored after page fault on FRSTOR or FLDENV instructions
AC7	X	X	X	NoFix	The processor flags #PF instead of #AC on an unlocked CMPXCHG8B instruction
AC8	X	X	X	NoFix	When in no-fill mode the memory type of large pages are incorrectly forced to uncacheable
AC9	X	X	X	NoFix	Processor may hang due to speculative page walks to non-existent system memory
AC10	X			Fixed	Writing a performance counter may result in incorrect value
AC11	X	X	X	NoFix	IA32_MC0_STATUS register overflow bit not set correctly
AC12	X			Fixed	Performance counter may contain incorrect value after being stopped
AC13	X			NoFix	MCA error code field in IA32_MC0_STATUS register may become out of sync with the rest of the register
AC14	X			NoFix	The IA32_MC1_STATUS register may contain incorrect information for correctable errors
AC15	X	X	X	NoFix	Debug mechanisms may not function as expected
AC16	X	X	X	NoFix	Machine check architecture error reporting and recovery may not work as expected
AC17	X			Fixed	Processor may timeout waiting for a device to respond after ~0.67 seconds
AC18	X	X	X	NoFix	Cascading of performance counters does not work correctly when forced overflow is enabled
AC19	X			Fixed	IA32_MC1_STATUS MSR ADDRESS VALID bit may be set when no valid address is available
AC20	X	X	X	NoFix	EMON event counting of x87 loads may not work as expected
AC21	X			Fixed	Software controlled clock modulation using a 12.5% or 25% duty cycle may cause the processor to hang
AC22	X			Fixed	SQRTPD and SQRTSD may return QnaN indefinite instead of negative zero
AC23	X	X	X	PlanFix	Bus Invalidate Line requests that return unexpected data may result in L1 cache corruption
AC24	X	X	X	PlanFix	Write Combining (WC) load may result in unintended address on system bus
AC25	X			Fixed	Incorrect data may be returned when page tables are in Write Combining (WC) memory space
AC26	X			PlanFix	Buffer on resistance may exceed specification
AC27	X	X	X	NoFix	Processor issues inconsistent transaction size attributes for locked operation

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NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	Plans	ERRATA
AC28	X			Fixed	Multiple accesses to the same S-state L2 cache line and ECC error combination may result in loss of cache coherency
AC29	X			Fixed	Processor may hang when resuming from Deep Sleep state
AC30	X	X	X	NoFix	When the processor is in the System Management Mode (SMM), debug registers may be fully writeable
AC31	X	X	X	NoFix	Associated counting logic must be configured when using Event Selection Control (ESCR) MSR
AC32	X	X	X	NoFix	IA32_MC0_ADDR and IA32_MC0_MISC registers will contain invalid or stale data following a Data, Address, or Response Parity Error
AC33	X			Fixed	CR2 may be incorrect or an incorrect page fault error code may be pushed onto stack after execution of an LSS instruction
AC34	X	X	X	NoFix	System may hang if a fatal cache error causes Bus Write Line (BWL) transaction to occur to the same cache line address as an outstanding Bus Read Line (BRL) or Bus Read-Invalidate Line (BRIL)
AC35	X			Fixed	Processor Does not Flag #GP on Non-zero Write to Certain MSRs
AC36	X			Fixed	L2 cache may contain stale data in the Exclusive state
AC37	X	X	X	NoFix	Simultaneous assertion of A20M# and INIT# may result in incorrect data fetch
AC38 S	X	X	X	NoFix	Glitches on Address and Data Strobe Signals May Cause System Shutdown
AC39	X			Fixed	CPUID Returns Incorrect Number of ITLB Entries
AC40	X	X	X	NoFix	A Write to an APIC Register Sometimes May Appear to Have Not Occurred
AC41		X		Fixed	Store to Load Data Forwarding may Result in Switched Data Bytes
AC42		X	X	NoFix	Parity Error in the L1 Cache may Cause the Processor to Hang
AC43		X		Fixed	The TCK Input in the Test Access Port (TAP) is Sensitive to Low Clock Edge Rates and Prone to Noise Coupling Onto TCK's Rising or Falling Edges
AC44	X	X		Fixed	Re-mapping the APIC base address to a value less than or equal to 0xDC001000 may cause IO and Special Cycle failure
AC45	X	X		Fixed	Erroneous BIST result found in EAX register after reset
AC46	X	X	X	NoFix	The State of the Resume Flag (RF Flag) in a Task-State Segment (TSS) May be Incorrect
AC47	X	X	X	NoFix	Changes to CR3 Register do not Fence Pending Instruction Page Walks
AC48	X	X	X	NoFix	Processor Provides a 4-Byte Store Unlock After an 8-Byte Load Lock

NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	Plans	ERRATA
AC49	X	X	X	NoFix	System Bus Interrupt Messages Without Data Which Receive a HardFailure Response May Hang the Processor
AC50	X	X	X	NoFix	Memory Type of the Load Lock Different from its Corresponding Store Unlock
AC51	X	X	X	NoFix	A 16-bit Address Wrap Resulting from a Near Branch (Jump or Call) May Cause an Incorrect Address to Be Reported to the #GP Exception Handler
AC52		X	X	NoFix	ITP Cannot Continue Single Step Execution after the First Breakpoint
AC53		X	X	PlanFix	PWRGOOD and TAP Signals Maximum Input Hysteresis Higher Than Specified
AC54		X	X	NoFix	Incorrect Debug Exception (#DB) May Occur When a Data Breakpoint is set on an FP Instruction
AC55	X	X	X	NoFix	xAPIC May Not Report Some Illegal Vector Errors
AC56			X	PlanFix	A Timing Marginality in the Instruction Decoder Unit May Cause an Unpredictable Application Behavior and/or System Hang
AC57	X	X	X	NoFix	Memory Aliasing of Pages as Uncacheable Memory Type and Write Back (WB) May Hang the System
AC58		X	X	NoFix	Using STPCLK and Executing Code From Very Slow Memory Could Lead to a System Hang
AC59	X	X	X	No Fix	Machine Check Exceptions May not Update Last-Exception Record MSRs (LERs)
AC60		X	X	No Fix	Stores to Page Tables May Not Be Visible to Pagewalks for Subsequent Loads Without Serializing or Invalidating the Page Table Entry
AC61			X	PlanFix	A Timing Marginality in the Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU) May Cause Indeterminate Behavior
AC62	X	X	X	NoFix	With TF (Trap Flag) Asserted, FP Instruction That Triggers an Unmasked FP Exception May Take Single Step Trap Before Retirement of Instruction
AC63	X	X	X	PlanFix	BTS(Branch Trace Store) and PEBS(Precise Event Based Sampling) May Update Memory outside the BTS/PEBS Buffer
AC64	X	X	X	NoFix	Memory Ordering Failure May Occur with Snoop Filtering Third Party Agents after Issuing and Completing a BWIL (Bus Write Invalidate Line) or BLW (Bus Locked Write) Transaction
AC65	X	X	X	NoFix	Control Register 2 (CR2) Can be Updated during a REP MOVS/STOS Instruction with Fast Strings Enabled
AC66	X	X	X	NoFix	Writing the Local Vector Table (LVT) when an Interrupt is Pending May Cause an Unexpected Interrupt
AC67	X	X	X	NoFix	Using 2M/4M Pages When A20M# Is Asserted May Result in Incorrect Address Translations
AC68	X	X	X	NoFix	Writing Shared Unaligned Data that Crosses a Cache Line without Proper Semaphores or Barriers May Expose a Memory Ordering Issue

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NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	Plans	ERRATA
AC69	X	X	X	NoFix	Debug Status Register (DR6) Breakpoint Condition Detected Flags May be set Incorrectly

NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	SPECIFICATION CHANGES
				No update for this Month

NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	SPECIFICATION CLARIFICATIONS
				No Update for this month.

NO.	E0	nC1	nD1	DOCUMENTATION CHANGES
				Refer to Documentation Changes section

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General Information

This section contains top marking information for the Intel® Celeron® processor in the 478-pn package.

Figure 1. Example Markings for the Intel® Celeron® Processor on 0.13 Micron Process and/or in the 478-Pin Package

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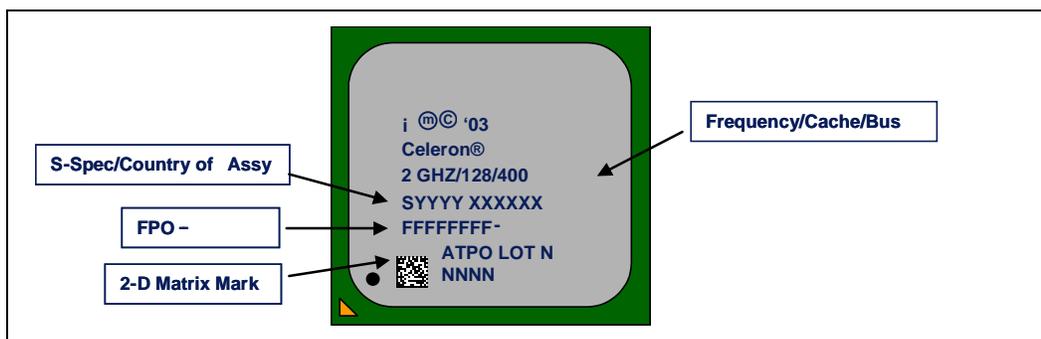
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Component Identification Information

The Intel® Celeron® processor in the 478-pn package processor may be identified by the following values.

Family[1]	Model[2]	Brand[3]
1111b	0001b	00001010b
1111b	0010b	00001010b

NOTES:
1. The Family corresponds to bits [11:8] of the EDX register after RESET, bits [11:8] of the EAX register after the CPUID instruction is executed with a 1 in the EAX register, and the generation field of the Device ID register accessible through Boundary Scan.
2. The Model corresponds to bits [7:4] of the EDX register after RESET, bits [7:4] of the EAX register after the CPUID instruction is executed with a 1 in the EAX register, and the model field of the Device ID register accessible through Boundary Scan.
3. The Brand ID corresponds to bits [7:0] of the EBX register after the CPUID instruction is executed with a 1 in the EAX register.

Table 1. Intel® Celeron® Processor in the 478-Pin Package Processor Identification Information

S-Spec	Core Stepping	L2 Cache Size (bytes)	Processor Signature	Speed Core/Bus	Package and Revision	Notes
SL69Z	E0	128K	0F13h	1.70 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 35.0 mm, Rev 02	1, 2
SL68C	E0	128K	0F13h	1.70 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 35.0 mm, Rev 02	1
SL6A2	E0	128K	0F13h	1.80 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 35.0 mm, Rev 02	2, 3
SL68D	E0	128K	0F13h	1.80 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 35.0 mm, Rev 02	3
SL6SW	C1	128K	0F27h	2 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 4, 8
SL6LC	C1	128K	0F27h	2 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 4
SL6HY	C1	128K	0F27h	2 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	4

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S-Spec	Core Stepping	L2 Cache Size (bytes)	Processor Signature	Speed Core/Bus	Package and Revision	Notes
SL6RV	C1	128K	0F27h	2 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	4, 8, 9
SL6VR	D1	128K	0F29h	2 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	4, 8, 9
SL6VY	D1	128K	0F29h	2 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 4, 8
SL6RT	C1	128K	0F27h	2.10 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 5
SL6RS	C1	128K	0F27h	2.10 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	5, 8, 10
SL6VS	D1	128K	0F29h	2.10 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	5, 8, 9
SL6SY	C1	128K	0F27h	2.10 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 5, 8
SL6VZ	D1	128K	0F29h	2.10 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 5, 8
SL6RT	C1	128K	0F27h	2.10 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 5, 8
SL6LB	C1	128K	0F27h	2.20 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 6
SL6RW	C1	128K	0F27h	2.20 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	6, 8
SL6SX	C1	128K	0F27h	2.20 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	6, 8, 9
SL6LB	C1	128K	0F27h	2.20 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 6, 8
SL6VT	D1	128K	0F29h	2.20 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	6, 8, 9

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S-Spec	Core Stepping	L2 Cache Size (bytes)	Processor Signature	Speed Core/Bus	Package and Revision	Notes
SL6W2	D1	128K	0F29h	2.20 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 6, 8
SL6XJ	C1	128K	0F27h	2.30 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	6, 8
SL6WC	D1	128K	0F29h	2.30 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	6, 8, 9
SL6WD	D1	128K	0F29h	2.30 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 6, 8
SL6T2	C1	128K	0F27h	2.30 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 6
SL6T5	C1	128K	0F27h	2.30 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 6, 8
SL6VU	C1	128K	0F27h	2.40 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	7, 8
SL6W4	D1	128K	0F29h	2.40 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 7, 8
SL6XG	C1	128K	0F27h	2.40 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	7, 8, 9
SL6V2	C1	128K	0F27h	2.40 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	7, 8
SL6VU	D1	128K	0F29h	2.40 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	7, 8
SL6ZY	D1	128K	0F29h	2.50 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	8
SL72B	D1	128K	0F29h	2.50 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 8, 11
SL6W5	C1	128K	0F27h	2.60 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 8, 11

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S-Spec	Core Stepping	L2 Cache Size (bytes)	Processor Signature	Speed Core/Bus	Package and Revision	Notes
SL6VV	C1	128K	0F27h	2.60 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	8, 11
SL77U	D1	128K	0F29h	2.70 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 8
SL77S	D1	128K	0F29h	2.70 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	8
SL77T	D1	128K	0F29h	2.80 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	8, 9
SL77V	D1	128K	0F29h	2.80 GHz/ 400 MHz	FC-PGA2 31.0 mm , rev 1.0	2, 8
SL7EZ	D1	128K	0F29h	1.60GHz/400MHz	31.0 mm FC, Rev 1.0	2,8
SL7RU	D1	128K	0F29h	1.80GHz/400MHz	31.0 mm FC, Rev 1.0	2,8

NOTES:
1. This processor has maximum Tcase of 76 °C
2. This is a boxed processor with an unattached fan heatsink.
3. This processor has maximum Tcase of 77 °C.
4. This processor has maximum Tcase of 68 °C
5. This processor has maximum Tcase of 69 °C
6. This processor has maximum Tcase of 70 °C
7. This processor has maximum Tcase of 71 °C
8. This part has Multiple VID
9. Some of these processors are offered as boxed processors with an unattached fan heatsink
10. This is a Desktop product only
11. This processor has maximum Tcase of 72 °C

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Errata

AC1. **I/O Restart in SMM May Fail after Simultaneous Machine Check Exception (MCE)**

Problem: If an I/O instruction (IN, INS, REP INS, OUT, OUTS, or REP OUTS) is being executed, and if the data for this instruction becomes corrupted, the processor will signal a Machine Check Exception (MCE). If the instruction is directed at a device that is powered down, the processor may also receive an assertion of SMI#. Since MCEs have higher priority, the processor will call the MCE handler, and the SMI# assertion will remain pending. However, upon attempting to execute the first instruction of the MCE handler, the SMI# will be recognized and the processor will attempt to execute the SMM handler. If the SMM handler is completed successfully, it will attempt to restart the I/O instruction, but will not have the correct machine state, due to the call to the MCE handler.

Implication: A simultaneous MCE and SMI# assertion may occur for one of the I/O instructions above. The SMM handler may attempt to restart such an I/O instruction, but will have an incorrect state due to the MCE handler call, leading to failure of the restart and shutdown of the processor.

Workaround: If a system implementation must support both SMM and board I/O restart, the first thing the SMM handler code should do is check for a pending MCE. If there is an MCE pending, the SMM handler should immediately exit via an RSM instruction and allow the MCE handler to execute. If there is no MCE pending, the SMM handler may proceed with its normal operation.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC2. **MCA Registers May Contain Invalid Information If RESET# Occurs and PWRGOOD Is Not Held Asserted**

Problem: This erratum can occur as a result either of the following events:

- PWRGOOD is de-asserted during a RESET# assertion causing internal glitches that may result in the possibility that the MCA registers latch invalid information.

- Or, during a reset sequence if the processor's power remains valid regardless of the state of PWRGOOD, and RESET# is re-asserted before the processor has cleared the MCA registers, the processor will begin the reset process again but may not clear these registers.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the information in the MCA registers may not be reliable.

Workaround: Ensure that PWRGOOD remains asserted throughout any RESET# assertion and that RESET# is not re-asserted while PWRGOOD is de-asserted.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC3.   Uncacheable (UC) Code in Same Line As Write Back (WB) Data May Lead to Data Corruption

Problem: When both code (being accessed as UC or WC) and data (being accessed as WB) are aliased into the same cache line, the UC fetch will cause the processor to self-snoop and generate an implicit writeback. The data supplied by this implicit writeback may be corrupted due to the way the processor handles self-modifying code.

Implication: UC or WC code located in the same cache line as WB data may lead to data corruption.

Workaround: UC or WC code should not be located in the same physical 64-byte cache line as any location that is being stored to with WB data

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC4.   Transaction Is Not Retried after BINIT#

Problem: If the first transaction of a locked sequence receives a HITM# and DEFER# during the snoop phase it should be retried and the locked sequence restarted. However, if BINIT# is also asserted during this transaction, it will not be retried.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, locked transactions will unexpectedly not be retried.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC5.   Invalid Opcode 0FFFh Requires a ModRM Byte

Problem: Some invalid opcodes require a ModRM byte (or other following bytes), while others do not. The invalid opcode 0FFFh did not require a ModRM byte in previous generation Intel® architecture processors, but does in the Intel® Pentium® 4 processor.

Implication: The use of an invalid opcode 0FFFh without the ModRM byte may result in a page or limit fault on the Pentium 4 processor.

Workaround: Use a ModRM byte with invalid 0FFFh opcode.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC6. **FSW May Not Be Completely Restored after Page Fault on FRSTOR or FLDENV Instructions**

Problem: If the FPU operating environment or FPU state (operating environment and register stack) being loaded by an FLDENV or FRSTOR instruction wraps around a 64-Kbyte or 4-Gbyte boundary and a page fault (#PF) or segment limit fault (#GP or #SS) occurs on the instruction near the wrap boundary, the upper byte of the FPU status word (FSW) might not be restored. If the fault handler does not restart program execution at the faulting instruction, stale data may exist in the FSW.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, stale data will exist in the FSW.

Workaround: Ensure that the FPU operating environment and FPU state do not cross 64Kbyte or 4Gbyte boundaries. Alternately, ensure that the page fault handler restarts program execution at the faulting instruction after correcting the paging problem.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC7. **The Processor Flags #PF Instead of #AC on an Unlocked CMPXCHG8B Instruction**

Problem: If a data page fault (#PF) and alignment check fault (#AC) both occur for an unlocked CMPXCHG8B instruction, then #PF will be flagged.

Implication: Software that depends #AC before #PF will be affected since #PF is flagged in this case.

Workaround: Workaround: Remove the software's dependency on the fact that #AC has precedence over #PF. Alternately, reload the page in the page fault handler and then restart the faulting instruction.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC8. **When in No-Fill Mode the Memory Type of Large Pages Are Incorrectly Forced to Uncacheable**

Problem: When the processor is operating in No-Fill Mode (CR0.CD=1), the paging hardware incorrectly forces the memory type of large (PSE-4M and PAE-2M) pages to uncacheable (UC) memory type regardless of the MTRR settings. By forcing the memory type of these pages to UC, load operations, which should hit valid data in the L1 cache, are forced to load the data from system memory. Some applications will lose the performance advantage associated with the caching permitted by other memory types

Implication: This erratum may result in some performance degradation when using no-fill mode with large pages.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC9. **Processor May Hang Due to Speculative Page Walks to Non-Existent System Memory**

Problem: A load operation that misses the Data Translation Lookaside Buffer (DTLB) will result in a page-walk. If the page-walk loads the Page Directory Entry (PDE) from cacheable memory and that PDE load returns data that points to a valid Page Table Entry (PTE) in uncacheable memory the processor will access the address referenced by the PTE. If the address referenced does not exist the processor will hang with no response from system memory.

Implication: Processor may hang due to speculative page walks to non-existent system memory.

Workaround: Page directories and page tables in UC memory space which are marked valid must point to physical addresses that will return a data response to the processor.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC10. **Writing a Performance Counter May Result in Incorrect Value**

Problem: When a performance counter is written and the event counter for the event being monitored is non-zero, the performance counter will be incremented by the value on that event counter. Because the upper eight bits of the performance counter are not written at the same time as the lower 32 bits, the increment due to the non-zero event counter may cause a carry to the upper bits such that the performance counter contains a value about four billion (2^{32}) higher than what was written.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the performance counter will contain a different value from that which was written.

Workaround: If the performance counter is set to select a null event and the counter configuration and control register (CCCR) for that counter has its compare bit set to zero, before the performance counter is written, this erratum will not occur. Since the lower 32 bits will always be correct, event counting which does not exceed 2^{32} events will not be affected.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC11. **IA32_MC0_STATUS Register Overflow Bit Not Set Correctly**

Problem: The Overflow Error bit (bit 62) in the IA32_MC0_STATUS register indicates, when set, that a machine check error occurred while the results of a previous error were still in the error reporting bank (i.e. the valid bit was set when the new error occurred). In the case of this erratum, if an uncorrectable error is logged in the error-reporting bank and another error occurs, the overflow bit will not be set

Implication: When this erratum occurs the overflow bit will not be set.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

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AC12. **Performance Counter May Contain Incorrect Value after Being Stopped**

Problem: If a performance counter is stopped on the precise internal clock cycle where the intermediate carry from the lower 32 bits of the counter to the upper eight bits occurs, the intermediate carry is lost.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the performance counter will contain a value about 4 billion (2^{32}) less than it should.

Workaround: Since this erratum does not occur if the performance counters are read when running, a possible workaround is to read the counter before stopping it. Since the lower 32 bits will always be correct, event counting which does not exceed 2^{32} events will not be affected.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC13. **MCA Error Code Field in IA32_MC0_STATUS Register May become out of Sync with the Rest of the Register**

Problem: The MCA Error Code field of the IA32_MC0_STATUS register gets written by a different mechanism than the rest of the register. For uncorrectable errors, the other fields in the IA32_MC0_STATUS register are only updated by the first error. Any subsequent errors cause the Overflow Error bit to be asserted until this register is cleared. Because of this erratum, any further errors that are detected will update the MCA Error Code field without updating the rest of the register, thereby leaving the IA32_MC0_STATUS register with stale information.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the IA32_MC0_STATUS register contains stale information.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC14. **The IA32_MC1_STATUS Register May Contain Incorrect Information for Correctable Errors**

Problem: When a speculative load operation hits the L2 cache and receives a correctable error, the IA32_MC1_STATUS register may be updated with incorrect information. The IA32_MC1_STATUS register should not be updated for speculative loads.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the IA32_MC1_STATUS register will contain incorrect information for correctable errors.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC15. Debug Mechanisms May Not Function As Expected

Problem: Certain debug mechanisms may not function as expected on the processor. The cases are as follows:

- When the following conditions occur: 1) An FLD instruction signals a stack overflow or underflow, 2) the FLD instruction splits a page-boundary or a 64-byte cache line boundary, 3) the instruction matches a Debug Register on the high page or cache line respectively, and 4) the FLD has a stack fault and a memory fault on a split access, the processor will only signal the stack fault and the debug exception will not be taken.

- When a data breakpoint is set on the ninth and/or tenth byte(s) of a floating point store using the Extended Real data type, and an unmasked floating point exception occurs on the store, the break point will not be captured.

- When any instruction has multiple debug register matches, and any one of those debug registers is enabled in DR7, all of the matches should be reported in DR6 when the processor goes to the debug handler. This is not true during a REP instruction. As an example, during execution of a REP MOVSW instruction the first iteration a load matches DR0 and DR2 and sets DR6 as FFFF0FF5h. On a subsequent iteration of the instruction, a load matches only DR0. The DR6 register is expected to still contain FFFF0FF5h, but the processor will update DR6 to FFFF0FF1h.

- A data breakpoint that is set on a load to uncacheable memory may be ignored due to an internal segment register access conflict. In this case the system will continue to execute instructions, bypassing the intended breakpoint. Avoiding having instructions that access segment descriptor registers e.g., LGDT, LIDT close to the UC load, and avoiding serialized instructions before the UC load will reduce the occurrence of this erratum.

Implication: Certain debug mechanisms do not function as expected on the processor.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC16. **Machine Check Architecture Error Reporting and Recovery May Not Work As Expected**

Problem: When the processor detects errors it should attempt to report and/or recover from the error. In the situations described below, the processor does not report and/or recover from the error(s) as intended.

- When a transaction is deferred during the snoop phase and subsequently receives a Hard Failure response, the transaction should be removed from the bus queue so that the processor may proceed. Instead, the transaction is not properly removed from the bus queue, the bus queue is blocked, and the processor will hang.

- When a hardware prefetch results in an uncorrectable tag error in the L2 cache, IA32_MC0_STATUS.UNCOR and IA32_MC0_STATUS.PCC are set but no Machine Check Exception (MCE) is signaled. No data loss or corruption occurs because the data being prefetched has not been used. If the data location with the uncorrectable tag error is subsequently accessed, an MCE will occur. However, upon this MCE, or any other subsequent MCE, the information for that error will not be logged because IA32_MC0_STATUS.UNCOR has already been set and the MCA status registers will not contain information about the error which caused the MCE assertion but instead will contain information about the prefetch error event.

- When the reporting of errors is disabled for Machine Check Architecture (MCA) Bank 2 by setting all IA32_MC2_CTL register bits to 0, uncorrectable errors should be logged in the IA32_MC2_STATUS register but no machine-check exception should be generated. Uncorrectable loads on bank 2, which would normally be logged in the IA32_MC2_STATUS register, are not logged.

- When one half of a 64 byte instruction fetch from the L2 cache has an uncorrectable error and the other 32 byte half of the same fetch from the L2 cache has a correctable error, the processor will attempt to correct the correctable error but cannot proceed due to the uncorrectable error. When this occurs the processor will hang.

- When an L1 cache parity error occurs, the cache controller logic should write the physical address of the data memory location that produced that error into the IA32_MC1_ADDR register. In some instances of a parity error on a load operation that hits the L1 cache, however, the cache controller logic may write the physical address from a subsequent load or store operation into the IA32_MC1_ADDR register.

- If an instruction fetch results in an uncorrectable error and there is also a debug breakpoint at this address, the processor will livelock and the uncorrectable error will not be logged in the machine check registers.

- The MCA Overflow bit should be set when an uncorrectable error resides within the register bank (valid bit is already set) and any subsequent errors occur. The Overflow bit being set indicates that more than one error has occurred. Because of this erratum, if any further errors occur, the MCA Overflow bit will not be updated; thereby incorrectly indicating only one error has been received.

Implication: The processor is unable to correctly report and/or recover from certain errors.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC17. **Processor May Timeout Waiting for a Device to Respond after 0.67 Seconds**

Problem: The PCI 2.1 target initial latency specification allows two seconds for a device to respond during initialization-time. The processor may timeout after only approximately 0.67 seconds. When the processor times out it will hang with IERR# asserted. PCI devices that take longer than 0.67 seconds to initialize may not be initialized properly.

Implication: System may hang with IERR# asserted.

Workaround: Due to the long initialization time observed on some commercially available PCI cards, it may be necessary to disable the timeout counter during the PCI initialization sequence. This can be accomplished by temporarily setting Bit 5 of the MISC_ENABLES_MSR located at address 1A0H to 1. This model specific register (MSR) is software visible but should only be set for the duration of the PCI initialization sequence. It is necessary to re-enable the timeout counter by clearing this bit after completing the PCI initialization sequence. CAUTION: The processor's Thermal Monitor feature may not function if the timeout counter is not re-enabled after completing the PCI initialization.

After the system is fully initialized, this erratum may occur either when a PCI device is hot added into the system or when a PCI device is transitioned from D3 cold. System software responsible for completing the hot add and the power state transition from D3 cold should allow for a delay of the target initial latency prior to initiating configuration accesses to the PCI device.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC18. **Cascading of Performance Counters Does Not Work Correctly When Forced Overflow Is Enabled**

Problem: The performance counters are organized into pairs. When the CASCADE bit of the Counter Configuration Control Register (CCCR) is set, a counter that overflows will continue to count in the other counter of the pair. The FORCE_OVF bit forces the counters to overflow on every non-zero increment. When the FORCE_OVF bit is set, the counter overflow bit will be set but the counter no longer cascades.

Implication: The performance counters do not cascade when the FORCE_OVF bit is set.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC19. **IA32_MC1_STATUS MSR ADDRESS VALID Bit May Be Set When No Valid Address Is Available**

Problem: The processor should only log the address for L1 parity errors in the IA32_MC1_STATUS MSR if a valid address is available. If a valid address is not available, the ADDRESS VALID bit in the IA32_MC1_STATUS MSR should not be set. In instances where an L1 parity error occurs and the address is not available because the linear to physical address translation is not complete or an internal resource conflict has occurred, the ADDRESS VALID bit is incorrectly set.

Implication: The ADDRESS VALID bit is set even though the address is not valid.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC20. **EMON Event Counting of x87 Loads May Not Work As Expected**

Problem: If a performance counter is set to count x87 loads and floating-point exceptions are unmasked, the FPU Operand Data Pointer (FDP) may become corrupted.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the FPU Operand Data Pointer (FDP) may become corrupted.

Workaround: This erratum will not occur with floating point exceptions masked. If floating-point exceptions are unmasked, then performance counting of x87 loads should be disabled.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC21. **Software Controlled Clock Modulation Using a 12.5% or 25% Duty Cycle May Cause the Processor to Hang**

Problem: Processor clock modulation may be controlled via a processor register (IA32_THERM_CONTROL). The On-Demand Clock Modulation Duty Cycle is controlled by bits 3:1. If these bits are set to a duty cycle of 12.5% or 25%, the processor may hang while attempting to execute a floating-point instruction. In this failure, the last instruction pointer (LIP) is pointing to a floating-point instruction whose instruction bytes are in UC space and which takes an exception 16 (floating point error exception). The processor stalls trying to fetch the bytes of the faulting floating-point instruction and those following it. This processor hang is caused by interactions between thermal control circuit and floating-point event handler.

Implication: The processor will go into a sleep state from which it fails to return.

Workaround: Use a duty cycle other than 12.5% or 25%.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC22.   SQRTPD and SQRTSD May Return QNaN Indefinite Instead of Negative Zero

Problem: When DAZ mode is enabled, and a SQRTPD or SQRTSD instruction has a negative denormal operand, the instruction will return a QNaN indefinite when the specified response should be a negative zero.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the instruction will return a QNaN indefinite when a negative zero is expected.

Workaround: Ensure that negative denormals are not used as operands to the SQRTPD or SQRTSD instructions when DAZ mode is enabled. Software could enable FTZ mode to ensure that negative denormals are not generated by computation prior to execution of a SQRTPD or SQRTSD instruction.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC23.   Bus Invalidate Line Requests That Return Unexpected Data May Result in L1 Cache Corruption

Problem: When a Bus Invalidate Line (BIL) request receives unexpected data from a deferred reply, and a store operation write combines to the same address, there is a small window where the L0 is corrupt, and loads can retire with this corrupted data. This erratum occurs in the following scenario:

- A Read-For-Ownership (RFO) transaction is issued by the processor and hits a line in shared state in the L1 cache.

- The RFO is then issued on the system bus as a 0 length Read-Invalidate (a BIL), since it doesn't need data, just ownership of the cache line.

- This transaction is deferred by the chipset.

- At some later point, the chipset sends a deferred reply for this transaction with an implicit write-back response. For this erratum to occur, no snoop of this cache line can be issued between the BIL and the deferred reply.

- The processor issues a write-combining store to the same cache line while data is returning to the processor. This store straddles an 8-byte boundary.

- Due to an internal boundary condition, a time window exists where the L1 cache contains corrupt data which could be accessed by a load.

Implication: No known commercially available chipsets trigger the failure conditions.

Workaround: The chipset could issue a BIL (snoop) to the deferred processor to eliminate the failure conditions.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC24. **Write Combining (WC) Load May Result in Unintended Address on System Bus**

Problem: When the processor performs a speculative write combining (WC) load, down the path of a mispredicted branch, and the address happens to match a valid UnCacheable (UC) address translation with the Data Translation Look-Aside Buffer, an unintended UnCacheable load operation may be sent out on the system bus.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, an unintended load may be sent on system bus. Intel has only encountered this erratum during pre-silicon simulation.

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC25. **Incorrect Data May be Returned When Page Tables Are In Write Combining (WC) Memory Space**

Problem: If page directories and/or page tables are located in Write Combining (WC) memory, speculative loads to cacheable memory may complete with incorrect data.

Implication: Cacheable loads to memory mapped using page tables located in write combining memory may return incorrect data. Intel has not been able to reproduce this erratum with commercially available software.

Workaround: Do not place page directories and/or page tables in WC memory.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC26. **Buffer on Resistance May Exceed Specification**

Problem: The datasheet specifies the resistance range for RON (Buffer on Resistance) for the AGTL+ and Asynchronous GTL+ buffers as 5 to 11 Ω. Due to this erratum, RON may be as high as 13.11 Ω.

Implication: The RON value affects the voltage level of the signals when the buffer is driving the signal low. A higher RON may adversely affect the system's ability to meet specifications such as VIL. As the system design also affects margin to specification, designs may or may not have sufficient margin to function properly with an increased RON. System designers should evaluate whether a particular system is affected by this erratum. Designs that follow the recommendations in the *Intel® Pentium® 4 Processor and Intel® 850 Chipset Platform Design Guide* are not expected to be affected.

Workaround: No workaround is necessary for systems with margin sufficient to accept a higher RON.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC27. **Processor Issues Inconsistent Transaction Size Attributes for Locked Operation**

Problem: When the processor is in the Page Address Extension (PAE) mode and detects the need to set the Access and/or Dirty bits in the page directory or page table entries, the processor sends an 8-byte load lock onto the system bus. A subsequent 8-byte store unlock is expected, but instead a 4-byte store unlock occurs. Correct data is provided since only the lower bytes change, however external logic monitoring the data transfer may be expecting an 8-byte store unlock.

Implication: No known commercially available chipsets are affected by this erratum.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC28. **Multiple Accesses to the Same S-State L2 Cache Line and ECC Error Combination May Result in Loss of Cache Coherency**

Problem: When a Read for Ownership (RFO) cycle has a 64-bit address match with an outstanding read hit on a line in the L2 cache which is in the S-state AND that line contains an ECC error, the processor should recycle the RFO until the ECC error is handled. Due to this erratum, the processor does not recycle the RFO and attempts to service both the RFO and the read hit at the same time.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, cache may become incoherent.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC29. **Processor May Hang When Resuming from Deep Sleep State**

Problem: When resuming from the Deep Sleep state the address strobe signals (ADSTB[1:0]#) may become out of phase with respect to the system bus clock (BCLK).

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the processor will hang.

Workaround: The system BIOS should prevent the processor from going to the Deep Sleep state.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC30. **When the Processor Is in the System Management Mode (SMM), Debug Registers May Be Fully Writeable**

Problem: When in System Management Mode (SMM), the processor executes code and stores data in the SMRAM space. When the processor is in this mode and writes are made to DR6 and DR7, the processor should block writes to the reserved bit locations. Due to this erratum, the processor may not block these writes. This may result in invalid data in the reserved bit locations.

Implication: Reserved bit locations within DR6 and DR7 may become invalid.

Workaround: Software may perform a read/modify/write when writing to DR6 and DR7 to ensure that the values in the reserved bits are maintained.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC31. **Associated Counting Logic Must Be Configured When Using Event Selection Control (ESCR) MSR**

Problem: ESCR MSRs allow software to select specific events to be counted, with each ESCR usually associated with a pair of performance counters. ESCRs may also be used to qualify the detection of at-retirement events that support precise-event-based sampling (PEBS). A number of performance metrics that support PEBS require a 2nd ESCR to tag uops for the qualification of at-retirement events. (The first ESCR is required to program the at-retirement event.) Counting is enabled via counter configuration control registers (CCCR) while the event count is read from one of the associated counters. When counting logic is configured for the subset of at-retirement events that require a 2nd ESCR to tag uops, at least one of the CCCRs in the same group of the 2nd ESCR must be enabled.

Implication: If no CCCR/counter is enabled in a given group, the ESCR in that group that is programmed for tagging uops will have no effect. Hence a subset of performance metrics that require a 2nd ESCR for tagging uops may result in 0 count.

Workaround: Ensure that at least one CCCR/counter in the same group as the tagging ESCR is enabled for those performance metrics that require two ESCRs and tagging uops for at-retirement counting.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC32. **IA32_MC0_ADDR and IA32_MC0_MISC Registers Will Contain Invalid or Stale Data Following a Data, Address, or Response Parity Error**

Problem: If the processor experiences a data, address, or response parity error, the ADDRV and MISCV bits of the IA32_MC0_STATUS register are set, but the IA32_MC0_ADDR and IA32_MC0_MISC registers are not loaded with data regarding the error.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the IA32_MC0_ADDR and IA32_MC0_MISC registers will contain invalid or stale data.

Workaround: Ignore any information in the IA32_MC0_ADDR and IA32_MC0_MISC registers after a data, address or response parity error.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC33. **CR2 May Be Incorrect or an Incorrect Page Fault Error Code May Be Pushed onto Stack after Execution of an LSS Instruction**

Problem: Under certain timing conditions, the internal load of the selector portion of the LSS instruction may complete with potentially incorrect speculative data before the load of the offset portion of the address completes. The incorrect data is corrected before the completion of the LSS instruction but the value of CR2 and the error code pushed on the stack are reflective of the speculative state. Intel has not observed this erratum with commercially available software.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the contents of CR2 may be off by two, or an incorrect page fault error code may be pushed onto the stack.

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC34. **ProSystem May Hang If a Fatal Cache Error Causes Bus Write Line (BWL) Transaction to Occur to the Same Cache Line Address As an Outstanding Bus Read Line (BRL) or Bus Read-Invalidate Line (BRIL)**

Problem: A processor internal cache fatal data ECC error may cause the processor to issue a BWL transaction to the same cache line address as an outstanding BRL or BRIL. As it is not typical behavior for a single processor to have a BWL and a BRL/BRIL concurrently outstanding to the same address, this may represent an unexpected scenario to system logic within the chipset.

Implication: The processor may not be able to fully execute the machine check handler in response to the fatal cache error if system logic does not ensure forward progress on the system bus under this scenario.

Workaround: System logic should ensure completion of the outstanding transactions. Note that during recovery from a fatal data ECC error, memory image coherency of the BWL with respect to BRL/BRIL transactions is not important. Forward progress is the primary requirement.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC35. **Processor Does Not Flag #GP on Non-Zero Write to Certain MSRs**

Problem: When a non-zero write occurs to the upper 32 bits of IA32_CR_SYSENTER_EIP or IA32_CR_SYSENTER_ESP, the processor should indicate a general protection fault by flagging #GP. Due to this erratum, the processor does not flag #GP.

Implication: The processor unexpectedly does not flag #GP on a non-zero write to the upper 32 bits of IA32_CR_SYSENTER_EIP or IA32_CR_SYSENTER_ESP. No known commercially available operating system has been identified to be affected by this erratum.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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AC36. L2 Cache May Contain Stale Data in the Exclusive State

Problem: If a cacheline (A) is in Modified (M) state in the write-combining (WC) buffers and in the Invalid (I) state in the L2 cache and its adjacent sector (B) is in the Invalid (I) state and the following scenario occurs:

1. A read to B misses in the L2 cache and allocates cacheline B and its associated second-sector pre-fetch into an almost full bus queue,

2. A Bus Read Line (BRL) to cacheline B completes with HIT# and fills data in Shared (S) state,

3. The bus queue full condition causes the prefetch to cacheline A to be cancelled, cacheline A will remain M in the WC buffers and I in the L2 while cacheline B will be in the S state.

Then, if the further conditions occur:

4. Cacheline A is evicted from the WC Buffers to the bus queue which is still almost full,

5. A hardware prefetch Read for Ownership (RFO) to cacheline B, hits the S state in the L2 and observes cacheline A in the I state, allocates both cachelines,

6. An RFO to cacheline A completes before the WC Buffers write modified data back, filling the L2 with stale data,

7. The writeback from the WC Buffers completes leaving stale data, for cacheline A, in the Exclusive (E) state in the L2 cache.

Implication: Stale data may be consumed leading to unpredictable program execution. Intel has not been able to reproduce this erratum with commercial software.

Workaround: It is possible for BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC37. Simultaneous Assertion of A20M# and INIT# May Result in Incorrect Data Fetch

Problem: If A20M# and INIT# are simultaneously asserted by software, followed by a data access to the 0xFFFFFXXX memory region, with A20M# still asserted, incorrect data will be accessed. With A20M# asserted, an access to 0xFFFFFXXX should result in a load from physical address 0xFFEFFXXX. However, in the case of A20M# and INIT# being asserted together, the data load will actually be from the physical address 0xFFFFFXXX. Code accesses are not affected by this erratum

Implication: Processor may fetch incorrect data, resulting in BIOS failure.

Workaround: Deasserting and reasserting A20M# prior to the data access will workaround this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC38.   **Glitches on Address or Data Strobe Signals May Cause System Shutdown**

Problem: When a Machine Check Exception is generated due to a glitch on the address or data strobe signals, the exception may be reported repeatedly, resulting in system shutdown.

Implication: If a glitch occurs on the address or data strobe signals, an operating system shutdown will occur if Machine Check Exceptions (MCE) are enabled. IERR# assertion and shutdown will occur if MCE is disabled.

Workaround: Correct design and implementation of the processor system bus will remove the possibility of this failure.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC39.   **CPUID Instruction Returns Incorrect Number of ITLB Entries**

Problem: When CPUID instruction is executed with EAX = 2 it should return a value of 51h in EAX[15:8] to indicate that the Instruction Translation Lookaside Buffer (ITLB) has 128 entries. Due to this erratum, the processor returns 50h (64 entries).

Implication: Software may incorrectly report the number of ITLB entries. Operation of the processor is not affected.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC40.   **A Write to an APIC Register Sometimes May Appear to Have Not Occurred**

Problem: With respect to the retirement of instructions, stores to the uncacheable memory-based APIC register space are handled in a non-synchronized way. For example if an instruction that masks the interrupt flag, e.g. CLI, is executed soon after an uncacheable write to the Task Priority Register (TPR) that lowers the APIC priority, the interrupt masking operation may take effect before the actual priority has been lowered. This may cause interrupts whose priority is lower than the initial TPR, but higher than the final TPR, to not be serviced until the interrupt enabled flag is finally set, i.e. by STI instruction. Interrupts will remain pending and are not lost.

Implication: In this example the processor may allow interrupts to be accepted but may delay their service.

Workaround: This non-synchronization can be avoided by issuing an APIC register read after the APIC register write. This will force the store to the APIC register before any subsequent instructions are executed. No commercial operating system is known to be impacted by this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*

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AC41. **Store to Load Data Forwarding may Result in Switched Data Bytes**

Problem: If in a short window after an instruction that updates a segment register has executed, but has not yet retired, there is a load occurring to an address, that matches a recent previous store operation, but the data size is smaller than the size of the store, the resulting data forwarded from the store to the load may have some of the lower bytes switched.

Implication: If this erratum occurs, the processor may execute with incorrect data.

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC42. **Parity Error in the L1 Cache May Cause the Processor to Hang**

Problem: If a locked operation accesses a line in the L1 cache that has a parity error, it is possible that the processor may hang while trying to evict the line.

Implication: If this erratum occurs, it may result in a system hang. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software

Workaround: None

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC43. **The TCK Input in the Test Access Port (TAP) Is Sensitive to Low Clock Edge Rates and Prone to Noise Coupling onto TCK's Rising or Falling Edges**

Problem: TCK is susceptible to double clocking when low amplitude noise occurs on TCK edge, while it is crossing the receiver's transition region. TAP failures tend to increase with increases in background system noise.

Implication: This only impacts JTAG/TAP accesses to the processor. Other bus accesses are not affected.

Workaround: To minimize the effects of this issue, reduce noise on the TCK-net at the processor relative to ground, and position TCK relative to BCLK to minimize the TAP error rate. Decreasing rise times to under 800 ps reduces the failure rate but does not stop all failures.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

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AC44.   **Re-Mapping the APIC Base Address to a Value Less Than or Equal to 0xDC001000 May Cause IO and Special Cycle Failure**

Problem: Remapping the APIC base address from its default can cause conflicts with either I/O or special cycle bus transactions.

Implication: Either I/O or special cycle bus transactions can be redirected to the APIC, instead of appearing on the front-side bus.

Workaround: Use any APIC base addresses above 0xDC001000 as the relocation address.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC45.   **Erroneous BIST Result Found in EAX Register after Reset**

Problem: The processor may show an erroneous BIST (built-in self test) result in the EAX register bit 0 after coming out of reset.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, an erroneous BIST failure will be reported in the EAX register bit 0, however this failure can be ignored since it is not accurate.

Workaround: It is possible for BIOS to workaround this issue by masking off bit 0 in the EAX register where BIST results are written.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC46.   **The State of the Resume Flag (RF Flag) in a Task-State Segment (TSS) May Be Incorrect**

Problem: After executing a JMP instruction to the next (or other) task through a hardware task switch, it is possible for the state of the RF flag (in the EFLAGS register image) to be incorrect.

Implication: The RF flag is normally used for code breakpoint management during debug of an application. It is not typically used during normal program execution. Code breakpoints or single step debug behavior in the presence of hardware task switches, therefore, may be unpredictable as a result of this erratum. This erratum has not been observed in commercially available software.

Workaround: None

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

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AC47. Changes to CR3 Register Do Not Fence Pending Instruction Page Walks

Problem: When software writes to the CR3 register, it is expected that all previous/outstanding code, data accesses and page walks are completed using the previous value in CR3 register. Due to this erratum, it is possible that a pending instruction page walk is still in progress, resulting in an access (to the PDE portion of the page table) that may be directed to an incorrect memory address.

Implication: The results of the access to the PDE will not be consumed by the processor so the return of incorrect data is benign. However, the system may hang if the access to the PDE does not complete with data (e.g. infinite number of retries).

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to have a workaround for this erratum.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC48. Processor Provides a 4-Byte Store Unlock after an 8-Byte Load Lock

Problem: When the processor is in the Page Address Extension (PAE) mode and detects the need to set the Access and/or Dirty bits in the page directory or page table entries, the processor sends an 8 byte load lock onto the system bus. A subsequent 8 byte store unlock is expected, but instead a 4 byte store unlock occurs. Correct data is provided since only the lower bytes change, however external logic monitoring the data transfer may be expecting an 8 byte load lock.

Implication: No known commercially available chipsets are affected by this erratum.

Workaround: None identified at this time

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*

AC49. System Bus Interrupt Messages without Data Which Receive a HardFailure Response May Hang the Processor

Problem: When a system bus agent (processor or chipset) issues an interrupt transaction without data onto the system bus and the transaction receives a HardFailure response, a potential processor hang can occur. The processor, which generates an inter-processor interrupt (IPI) that receives the HardFailure response, will still log the MCA error event cause as HardFailure, even if the APIC causes a hang. Other processors, which are true targets of the IPI, will also hang on hardfail-without-data, but will not record an MCA HardFailure event as the cause. If a HardFailure response occurs on a system bus interrupt message with data, the APIC will complete the operation so as not to hang the processor.

Implication: The processor may hang.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*

AC50. **Memory Type of the Load Lock Different from Its Corresponding Store Unlock**

Problem: A use-once protocol is employed to ensure that the processor in a multi-agent system may access data that is loaded into its cache on a Read-for-Ownership operation at least once before it is snooped out by another agent. This protocol is necessary to avoid a multi-agent livelock scenario in which the processor cannot gain ownership of a line and modify it before that data is snooped out by another agent. In the case of this erratum, split load lock instructions incorrectly trigger the use-once protocol. A load lock operation accesses data that splits across a page boundary with both pages of WB memory type. The use-once protocol activates and the memory type for the split halves get forced to UC. Since use-once does not apply to stores, the store unlock instructions go out as WB memory type. The full sequence on the bus is: locked partial read (UC), partial read (UC), partial write (WB), locked partial write (WB). The use-once protocol should not be applied to load locks.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the memory type of the load lock will be different than the memory type of the store unlock operation. This behavior (load locks and store unlocks having different memory types) does not introduce any functional failures such as system hangs or memory corruption.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*

AC51. **A 16-bit Address Wrap Resulting from a Near Branch (Jump or Call) May Cause an Incorrect Address to Be Reported to the #GP Exception Handler**

Problem: If a 16-bit application executes a branch instruction that causes an address wrap to a target address outside of the code segment, the address of the branch instruction should be provided to the general protection exception handler. It is possible that, as a result of this erratum, that the general protection handler may be called with the address of the branch target.

Implication: The 16-bit software environment which is affected by this erratum, will see that the address reported by the exception handler points to the target of the branch, rather than the address of the branch instruction.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*

AC52. **ITP Cannot Continue Single Step Execution after the First Breakpoint**

Problem: ITP will not continue in single step execution after the first software breakpoint. ITP is unable to reset the Resume Flag (RF) bit in the EFLAGS Register.

Implication: The processor repeatedly breaks at the instruction breakpoint address instead of single stepping.

Workaround: Execution after the break will continue, if you manually clear DR7 bit 1 (Global Breakpoint Enable).

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

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AC53. **PWRGOOD and TAP Signals Maximum Input Hysteresis Higher Than Specified**

Problem: The maximum input hysteresis for the PWRGOOD and TAP input signals is specified at 350 mV. The actual value could be as high as 800 mV.

Implication: The PWRGOOD and TAP inputs may switch at different levels than previously documented specifications. Intel has not observed any issues in validation or simulation as a result of this erratum.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC54. **Incorrect Debug Exception (#DB) May Occur When a Data Breakpoint Is Set on an FP Instruction**

Problem: The default Microcode Floating Point Event Handler routine executes a series of loads to obtain data about the FP instruction that is causing the FP event. If a data breakpoint is set on the instruction causing the FP event, the load in the microcode routine will trigger the data breakpoint resulting in a Debug Exception.

Implication: An incorrect Debug Exception (#DB) may occur if data breakpoint is placed on an FP instruction. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software or system.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the Summary *Tables of Changes*.

AC55. **xAPIC May Not Report Some Illegal Vector Errors**

Problem: The local xAPIC has an Error Status Register, which records all errors. The bit 6 (the Receive Illegal Vector bit) of this register, is set when the local xAPIC detects an illegal vector in a received message. When an illegal vector error is received on the same internal clock that the error status register is being written (due to a previous error), bit 6 does not get set and illegal vector errors are not flagged.

Workaround: The xAPIC may not report some Illegal Vector errors when they occur at approximately the same time as other xAPIC errors. The other xAPIC errors will continue to be reported.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the Summary *Tables of Changes*.

AC56. **A Timing Marginality in the Instruction Decoder Unit May Cause an Unpredictable Application Behavior and/or System Hang**

Problem: A timing marginality may exist in the clocking of the instruction decoder unit which leads to a circuit slowdown in the read path from the Instruction Decode PLA circuit. This timing marginality may not be visible for some period of time.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, an incorrect instruction stream may be executed resulting in an unpredictable application behavior and/or system hang.

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum. BIOS must load the microcode update during the BIOS POST time prior to memory initialization.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the Summary *Tables of Changes.*

AC57. **Memory Aliasing of Pages as Uncacheable Memory Type and Write Back (WB) May Hang the System**

Problem: When a page is being accessed as either Uncacheable (UC) or Write Combining (WC) and WB, under certain bus and memory timing conditions, the system may loop in a continual sequence of UC fetch, implicit writeback, and Request For Ownership (RFO) retries.

Implication: This erratum has not been observed in any commercially available operating system or application. The aliasing of memory regions, a condition necessary for this erratum to occur, is documented as being unsupported in the *IA-32 Intel® Architecture Software Developer's Manual*, Volume 3, section 10.12.4, Programming the PAT. However, if this erratum occurs the system may hang.

Workaround: The pages should not be mapped as either UC or WC and WB at the same time.

Status: For the stepping affected, see the *Summary Table of Changes.*

AC58. **Using STPCLK and Executing Code from Very Slow Memory Could Lead to a System Hang**

Problem: The system may hang when the following conditions are met:

1. Periodic STPCLK mechanism is enabled via the chipset
2. Hyper-Threading Technology is enabled
3. One logical processor is waiting for an event (i.e. hardware interrupt)
4. The other logical processor executes code from very slow memory such that every code fetch is deferred long enough for the STPCLK to be re-asserted.

Implication: If this erratum occurs, the processor will go into and out of the sleep state without making forward progress, since the logical processor will not be able to service any pending event. This erratum has not been observed in any commercial platform running commercial software.

Workaround: None

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AC59.   Machine Check Exceptions May Not Update Last-Exception Record MSRs (LERs)

Problem: The Last-Exception Record MSRs (LERs) may not get updated when Machine Check Exceptions occur.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the LER may not contain information relating to the machine check exception. They will contain information relating to the exception prior to the machine check exception.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC60.   Stores to Page Tables May Not Be Visible to Pagewalks for Subsequent Loads without Serializing or Invalidating the Page Table Entry

Problem: Under rare timing circumstances, a page table load on behalf of a programmatically younger memory access may not get data from a programmatically older store to the page table entry if there is not a fencing operation or page translation invalidate operation between the store and the younger memory access. Refer to the IA-32 Intel® Architecture Software Developer's Manual for the correct way to update page tables. Software that conforms to the Software Developer's Manual will operate correctly.

Implication: If the guidelines in the Software Developer's Manual are not followed, stale data may be loaded into the processor's Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB) and used for memory operations. This erratum has not been observed with any commercially available software.

Workaround: The guidelines in the IA-32 Intel® Architecture Software Developer's Manual should be followed.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC61.   A Timing Marginality in the Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU) May Cause Indeterminate Behavior

Problem: A timing marginality may exist in the clocking of the ALU which leads to a slowdown in the speed of the circuit's operation. This could lead to incorrect behavior of the ALU.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, unpredictable application behavior and/or system hang may occur.

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC62. **With TF (Trap Flag) Asserted, FP Instruction That Triggers an Unmasked FP Exception May Take Single Step Trap before Retirement of Instruction**

Problem: If an FP instruction generates an unmasked exception with the EFLAGS.TF=1, it is possible for external events to occur, including a transition to a lower power state. When resuming from the lower power state, it may be possible to take the single step trap before the execution of the original FP instruction completes.

Implication: A Single Step trap will be taken when not expected.

Workaround: None Identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC63. **BTS (Branch Tree Store) and PEBS (Precise Event Based Sampling) May Update Memory outside the BTS/PEBS Buffer**

Problem: If the BTS/PEBS buffer is defined such that:
- The difference between BTS/PEBS buffer base and BTS/PEBS absolute maximum is not an integer multiple of the corresponding record sizes
- BTS/PEBS absolute maximum is less than a record size from the end of the virtual address space
- The record that would cross BTS/PEBS absolute maximum will also continue past the end of the virtual address space

A BTS/PEBS record can be written that will wrap at the 4G boundary (IA32) or 2^64 boundary (EMT64 mode), and write memory outside of the BTS/PEBS buffer.

Implication: Software that uses BTS/PEBS near the 4G boundary (IA32) or 2^64 boundary (EMT64 mode), and defines the buffer such that it does not hold an integer multiple of records can update memory outside the BTS/PEBS buffer.

Implication: A Single Step trap will be taken when not expected.

Workaround: Define BTS/PEBS buffer such that BTS/PEBS absolute maximum minus BTS/PEBS buffer base is integer multiple of the corresponding record sizes as recommended in the Programmers Reference Manual Volume 3.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC64. **Memory Ordering Failure May Occur with Snoop Filtering Third-Party Agents after Issuing and Completing a BWIL (Bus Write Invalidate Line) or BLW (Bus Locked Write) Transaction**

Problem: Under limited circumstances, the processors may, after issuing and completing a BWIL or BLW transaction, retain data from the addressed cache line in shared state even though the specification requires complete invalidation. This data retention may also occur when a BWIL transaction's self-snooping yields HITM snoop results.

Implication: A system may suffer memory ordering failures if its central agent incorporates coherence sequencing which depends on full self-invalidation of the cache line associated with (1) BWIL

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and BLW transactions, or (2) all HITM snoop results without regard to the transaction type and snoop results' source.

Workaround: 1. The central agent can issue a bus cycle that causes a cache line to be invalidated (Bus Read Invalidate Line (BRIL) or BWIL transaction) in response to a processor-generated BWIL (or BLW) transaction to insure complete invalidation of the associated cache line. If there are no intervening processor-originated transactions to that cache line, the central agent's invalidating snoop will get a clean snoop result.

Or

2. Snoop filtering central agents can:

 a. Not use processor-originated BWIL or BLW transactions to update their snoop filter information, or

 b. Update the associated cache line state information to shared state on the originating bus (rather than invalid state) in reaction to a BWIL or BLW.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC65. Memory Control Register 2 (CR2) Can be Updated during a REP MOVS/STOS Instruction with Fast Strings Enabled Transaction

Problem: Under limited circumstances while executing a REP MOVS/STOS string instruction, with fast strings enabled, it is possible for the value in CR2 to be changed as a result of an interim paging event, normally invisible to the user. Any higher priority architectural event that arrives and is handled while the interim paging event is occurring may see the modified value of CR2.

Implication: The value in CR2 is correct at the time that an architectural page fault is signaled. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

AC66. Writing the Local Vector Table (LVT) when an Interrupt is Pending May Cause an Unexpected Interrupt

Problem: If a local interrupt is pending when the LVT entry is written, an interrupt may be taken on the new interrupt vector even if the mask bit is set.

Implication: An interrupt may immediately be generated with the new vector when a LVT entry is written, even if the new LVT entry has the mask bit set. If there is no Interrupt Service Routine (ISR) set up for that vector the system will GP fault. If the ISR does not do an End of Interrupt (EOI) the bit for the vector will be left set in the in-service register and mask all interrupts at the same or lower priority.

Workaround: Any vector programmed into an LVT entry must have an ISR associated with it, even if that vector was programmed as masked. This ISR routine must do an EOI to clear any unexpected interrupts that may occur. The ISR associated with the spurious vector does not generate an EOI, therefore the spurious vector should not be used when writing the LVT.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*

AC67. **Using 2M/4M Pages When A20M# Is Asserted May Result in Incorrect Address Translations**

Problem: An external A20M# pin if enabled forces address bit 20 to be masked (forced to zero) to emulates real-address mode address wraparound at 1 megabyte. However, if all of the following conditions are met, address bit 20 may not be masked.

- paging is enabled

- a linear address has bit 20 set

- the address references a large page

- A20M# is enabled

Implication: When A20M# is enabled and an address references a large page the resulting translated physical address may be incorrect. This erratum has not been observed with any commercially available operating system.

Workaround: Operating systems should not allow A20M# to be enabled if the masking of address bit 20 could be applied to an address that references a large page. A20M# is normally only used with the first megabyte of memory.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC68. **Writing Shared Unaligned Data that Crosses a Cache Line without Proper Semaphores or Barriers May Expose a Memory Ordering Issue**

Problem: Software which is written so that multiple agents can modify the same shared unaligned memory location at the same time may experience a memory ordering issue if multiple loads access this shared data shortly thereafter. Exposure to this problem requires the use of a data write which spans a cache line boundary.

Implication: This erratum may cause loads to be observed out of order. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software or system.

Workaround: Software should ensure at least one of the following is true when modifying shared data by multiple agents:

- The shared data is aligned

- Proper semaphores or barriers are used in order to prevent concurrent data accesses.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AC69. **Debug Status Register (DR6) Breakpoint Condition Detected Flags May be set Incorrectly**

Problem: The Debug Status Register (DR6) may report detection of a spurious breakpoint condition under certain boundary conditions when either:
- A "MOV SS" or "POP SS" instruction is immediately followed by a hardware debugger breakpoint instruction, or

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- Any debug register access ("MOV DRx, r32" or "MOV r32, DRx") results in a general-detect exception condition.

Implication: Due to this erratum the breakpoint condition detected flags may be set incorrectly.

Workaround: None identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes.*

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Specification Changes

The Specification Changes listed in this section apply to the following documents:

- *Intel® Celeron® Processor in the 478-Pin Package Datasheet*

- *Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's Manual*, Volumes 1, 2-A, 2-B, 3-A, and 3-B

All Specification Changes will be incorporated into a future version of the appropriate Celeron processor documentation.

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Specification Clarifications

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All Specification Clarifications will be incorporated into a future version of the appropriate Celeron processor documentation.

1.   Specification Clarification with respect to Time Stamp Counter

In the "Debugging and Performance Monitoring" chapter (Sections 15.8, 15.10.9 and 15.10.9.3) of the *IA-32 Intel® Architecture Software Developer's Manual Volume 3: System Programming Guide*, the Time Stamp Counter definition has been updated to include support for the future processors. This change will be incorporated in the next revision of the *IA-32 Intel® Architecture Software Developer's Manual*.

15.8 Time-Stamp Counter

The IA-32 architecture (beginning with the Pentium processor) defines a time-stamp counter mechanism that can be used to monitor and identify the relative time occurrence of processor events. The counter's architecture includes the following components:

- TSC flag — A feature bit that indicates the availability of the time-stamp counter. The counter is available in an IA-32 processor implementation if the function CPUID.1:EDX.TSC[bit 4] = 1.

- IA32_TIME_STAMP_COUNTER MSR (called TSC MSR in P6 family and Pentium processors) — The MSR used as the counter.

- RDTSC instruction — An instruction used to read the time-stamp counter.

- TSD flag — A control register flag is used to enable or disable the time-stamp counter (enabled if CR4.TSD[bit 2] = 1).

The time-stamp counter (as implemented in the P6 family, Pentium, Pentium M, Pentium 4, and Intel Xeon processors) is a 64-bit counter that is set to 0 following a RESET of the processor. Following a RESET, the counter will increment even when the processor is halted by the HLT instruction or the external STPCLK# pin. Note that the assertion of the external DPSLP# pin may cause the time-stamp counter to stop.

Members of the processor families increment the time-stamp counter differently:

- For Pentium M processors (family [06H], models [09H, 0DH]); for Pentium 4 processors, Intel Xeon processors (family [0FH], models [00H, 01H, or 02H]); and for P6 family processors: the time-stamp counter increments with every internal processor clock cycle. The

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internal processor clock cycle is determined by the current core-clock to bus-clock ratio. Intel® SpeedStep® technology transitions may also impact the processor clock.

• For Pentium 4 processors, Intel Xeon processors (family [0FH], models [03H and higher]): the time-stamp counter increments at a constant rate. That rate may be set by the maximum core-clock to bus-clock ratio of the processor or may be set by the frequency at which the processor is booted. The specific processor configuration determines the behavior. Constant TSC behavior ensures that the duration of each clock tick is uniform and supports the use of the TSC as a wall clock timer even if the processor core changes frequency. This is the architectural behavior moving forward.

NOTE

To determine average processor clock frequency, Intel recommends the use of Performance Monitoring logic to count processor core clocks over the period of time for which the average is required. See Section 15.10.9 and Appendix A in this manual for more information.

The RDTSC instruction reads the time-stamp counter and is guaranteed to return a monotonically increasing unique value whenever executed, except for a 64-bit counter wraparound. Intel guarantees that the time-stamp counter will not wraparound within 10 years after being reset. The period for counter wrap is longer for Pentium 4, Intel Xeon, P6 family, and Pentium processors.

Normally, the RDTSC instruction can be executed by programs and procedures running at any privilege level and in virtual-8086 mode. The TSD flag allows use of this instruction to be restricted to programs and procedures running at privilege level 0. A secure operating system would set the TSD flag during system initialization to disable user access to the time-stamp counter. An operating system that disables user access to the time-stamp counter should emulate the instruction through a user-accessible programming interface.

The RDTSC instruction is not serializing or ordered with other instructions. It does not necessarily wait until all previous instructions have been executed before reading the counter. Similarly, subsequent instructions may begin execution before the RDTSC instruction operation is performed.

The RDMSR and WRMSR instructions read and write the time-stamp counter, treating the time-stamp counter as an ordinary MSR (address 10H). In the Pentium 4, Intel Xeon, and P6 family processors, all 64-bits of the time-stamp counter are read using RDMSR (just as with RDTSC). When WRMSR is used to write the time-stamp counter on processors before family [0FH], models [03H, 04H]: only the low order 32-bits of the time-stamp counter can be written (the high-order 32 bits are cleared to 0). For family [0FH], models [03H, 04H]: all 64 bits are writeable.

15.10.9 Counting Clocks

The count of cycles, also known as clockticks, forms a the basis for measuring how long a program takes to execute. Clockticks are also used as part of efficiency ratios like cycles per instruction (CPI). Processor clocks may stop ticking under circumstances like the following:

• The processor is halted when there is nothing for the CPU to do. For example, the processor may halt to save power while the computer is servicing an I/O request. When Hyper-Threading Technology is enabled, both logical processors must be halted for performance-monitoring counters to be powered down.

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- The processor is asleep as a result of being halted or because of a power-management scheme. There are different levels of sleep. In the some deep sleep levels, the time-stamp counter stops counting.

There are three ways to count processor clock cycles to monitor performance. These are:

- Non-halted clockticks — Measures clock cycles in which the specified logical processor is not halted and is not in any power-saving state. When Hyper-Threading Technology is enabled, this these ticks can be measured on a per-logical-processor basis.

- Non-sleep clockticks — Measures clock cycles in which the specified physical processor is not in a sleep mode or in a power-saving state. These ticks cannot be measured on a logical-processor basis.

- Time-stamp counter — Some processor models permit clock cycles to be measured when the physical processor is not in deep sleep (by using the time-stamp counter and the RDTSC instruction). Note that such ticks cannot be measured on a per-logical-processor basis. See Section 10.8 for detail on processor capabilities.

The first two methods use performance counters and can be set up to cause an interrupt upon overflow (for sampling). They may also be useful where it is easier for a tool to read a performance counter than to use a time stamp counter (the timestamp counter is accessed using the RDTSC instruction).

For applications with a significant amount of I/O, there are two ratios of interest:

- Non-halted CPI — Non-halted clockticks/instructions retired measures the CPI for phases where the CPU was being used. This ratio can be measured on a logical-processor basis when Hyper-Threading Technology is enabled.

- Nominal CPI — Time-stamp counter ticks/instructions retired measures the CPI over the duration of a program, including those periods when the machine halts while waiting for I/O.

15.10.9.3   Incrementing the Time-Stamp Counter

The time-stamp counter increments when the clock signal on the system bus is active and when the sleep pin is not asserted. The counter value can be read with the RDTSC instruction.

The time-stamp counter and the non-sleep clockticks count may not agree in all cases and for all processors. See Section 10.8 for more information on counter operation.

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Note: Documentation changes for IA-32 Intel(R) Architecture Software Developer's Manual volumes 1, 2, and 3 will be posted in a separate document " IA-32 Intel(R) Architecture Software Developer's Manual Documentation Changes". Please follow the link below to become familiar with this file.

http://developer.intel.com/design/pentium4/specupdt/252046.htm

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