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Errata Sheet

AT32A423 device limitations

Device identification

This errata sheet applies to ARTERY AT32A423 microcontrollers based on an ARM™ 32-bit Cortex®-M4 core.

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Device	Flash memory	Part number		
	256 KB	AT32A423VCT7, AT32A423RCT7, AT32A423RCT7-7, AT32A423CCT7, AT32A423CCU7, AT32A423TCU7, AT32A423KCU7-4		
AT32A423	128 KB	AT32A423VBT7, AT32A423RBT7, AT32A423RBT7-7, AT32A423CBT7, AT32A423CBU7, AT32A423TBU7, AT32A423KBU7-4		
	64 KB	AT32A423V8T7, AT32A423R8T7, AT32A423R8T7-7, AT32A423C8T7, AT32A423C8U7, AT32A423T8U7, AT32A423K8U7-4		



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1 AT32A423 device limitations

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1.1 GPIO

1.1.1 PC13 function unavailable during slower MCU power-on

Description:

In the process of MCU being powered on at a slower rate, there is a possibility that PC13-related functions (such as input/output, ERTC tamper detection) are unavailable.

Workaround:

Perform another system reset following this power on. See the reference code below:

```
if((CRM->ctrlsts_bit.porrstf == SET) && (CRM->ctrlsts_bit.swrstf == RESET))
{
    NVIC_SystemReset();
}
```

After above operation, software reset flag (SWRSTF) will be set. Then the application can use code to determine what the software reset flag really means.

- A. When the software reset flag and power-on reset flag are set simultaneously, it means that this is a system reset used to solve PC13 issues. Thus there is a need to clear all reset flags by calling relevant functions.
- B. When the software reset flag is set but power-on reset flag isn't set, it indicates that this is a system reset performed by the program application layer.

1.2 I2C

1.2.1 Digital filtering function disabled in slave mode

Description:

In I2C slave mode, digital filtering function is deactivated, making it unable to filter disturbance.

Workaround:

None.

1.3 I2S

1.3.1 UDR flag is set in I2S slave transmit mode with discontinuous communication state

Description:

The UDR flag is still set in I2S slave transmit mode alongside discontinuous communication state, even if data have been written before the start of communication.

Workaround:

According to the protocol, it is recommended to use DMA or interrupts for fast data transfer in I2S slave transmit mode, in order to guarantee continuous communication.



1.3.2 Data reception error when 24-bit data is packed into 32-bit format

Description:

When 24-bit data is packed into a 32-bit frame format, the remaining 8 invalid CLK data would be received by the receiver as normal data.

Workaround:

Method 1: Both the receiver and transmitter use the same way of packing 24-bit data into 32-bit format.

Method 2: Discard these 8 invalid CLK data using software.

1.4 PWC

1.4.1 PVM event generated after PVM enabled when VDD above PVM threshold

Description:

Enabling PWC voltage monitoring feature when the VDD is greater than PVM threshold will immediately generate an unexpected PVM event.

Workaround:

Clear the unexpected PVM event during PVM initialization.

1.4.2 Unable to wakeup Deepsleep mode after AHB frequency division

Description:

After AHB frequency is divided, no wakeup sources can wake up Deepsleep mode.

Workaround:

Do not divide AHB frequency in Deepsleep mode.

Remove AHB frequency division before entering Deepsleep mode. Then set the desired AHB frequency after waking up Deepsleep mode.

1.4.3 Unable to enable HEXT after waking up Deepsleep mode

Description:

When the following three conditions are present for PWC, HEXT cannot be enabled after Deepsleep mode is woke up.

The three conditions include:

- 1. Set DBG_DEEPSLEEP = 1
- Wake up Deepsleep mode at the moment the Deepsleep mode is being entered. In other words, a wakeup source arrives within three LICK cycles of Deepsleep mode entry command being executed
- 3. Enable HEXT immediately after waking up Deepsleep mode
- Workaround:

After waking up Deepsleep mode, wait around 3 LICK clock cycles before enabling HEXT.



1.4.4 Precautions on software accessing BPR registers

Description:

When the V_{DD} power-on rate is lower than 1.3 ms/V, operating battery-powered domain registers (BPR) through software may result in system exception until V_{DD} rises up to 2.57V. Battery-powered domain registers (BPR) include:

- A) All ERTC registers
- B) Battery-powered domain control register (CRM BPDC)
- C) LICKEN and LICKSTBL bits in the CRM_CTRLSTS register
- Workaround:

Insert a delay of 60ms with software after system reset to make sure that V_{DD} reaches 2.57V before accessing BPR registers, see code below for reference:

```
* @brief take some delay for waiting power stable, delay is about 60ms with frequency 8MHz.
  * @param none
  * @retval none
  */
void wait for power stable(void)
  volatile uint32 t delay = 0;
  for(delay = 0; delay < 50000; delay++);
}
int main(void)
  /* add a necessary delay to ensure that Vdd is higher than the operating
     voltage of battery powered domain (2.57V) when the battery powered
     domain is powered on for the first time and being operated. */
  wait_for_power_stable();
  /* congfig the system clock */
  system_clock_config();
  /* config ertc or other operations of battery powered domain */
  ertc_config();
  while(1)
  }
}
```



1.5 **ERTC**

1.5.1 Read/write ERTC occupies APB1 for 15 ERTC clock cycles

Description:

As reading/writing ERTC registers takes approximately 15 APB1 clock cycles to synchronize with battery powered domain, APB1 is occupied and DMA transfer on APB1 also stops during this period. After the completion of synchronization, APB1 is released automatically, and also DMA transfer continues.

Workaround:

After ERTC initialization, users need minimize the times of writing ERTC registers provided that ERTC features can satisfy users' needs, in order to reduce its impact on system.

1.6 ADC

1.6.1 ADC unable to reach its maximum sampling rate

Description:

As its internal default setting values are inappropriate, ADC characteristics obviously deviate from its ideal values, thus resulting in such problems as missing codes and inaccuracy.

Workaround:

When ADC clock is ON but ADC and its calibration is yet to be enabled, it is necessary to first write 0x09 to the XTEST bit in the ADC MSIC register before starting using ADC.

1.7 TMR

1.7.1 Break input failed when TMREN=0

Description:

When TMREN=0 (timer is disabled), break input is inactive, causint it unable to trigger break event or interrupt.

For example, in one-pulse mode, the TMREN is automatically cleared at the end of one-cycle counting. In such case, due to the break input being disabled, the output enable bit (OEN) cannot be cleared, nor is the break flag bit set.

Workaround:

None.



1.8 CAN

1.8.1 Fail to cancel mailbox transmit command when CAN bus disconnected

Description:

As a node for data transmission, if the following two conditions are both met for CAN, it is impossible to clear or cancel a transmit command in a mailbox within CAN error passive interrupt, so that the to-be-sent message command has not been canceled during the period of CAN bus being disconnected, and such message would be retransmitted after CAN bus communication resumes.

- 1. CAN bus (CANH/L) is disconnected intentionally or accidentally
- 2. Automatic retransmission feature is enabled

Workaround:

When a message failed to be sent out for several times, the automatic retransmission feature should be enabled when the following two conditions are both met:

- 1. Error type is "Passive bit error"
- 2. Mailbox transmit state is "mailbox_x transmit error"

Then re-activate auto retransmission feature in the subsequent CAN message transmit function.



2 Document revision history

Table 3. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
2024.03.06	2.0.0	Initial release





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