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Revision History

Date	Version	Description
01/22/99	008	Under Documentation Changes, added architecture and implementation-defined identification for Register 0 of coprocessor 15; removed last sentence and changed text in the Note for Section 11.8.2; changed text in Section 10.3.2.
12/23/98	007	The document changes have been removed from the specification update and applied to the technical reference manual. The "Appendix D, Internal Test" specification change has been removed from the specification update and applied to the technical reference manual.
11/10/98	006	Under Specification Changes, added new Appendix D, Internal Test.
10/22/98	005	Under Affected Documents/Related Documents, added product discontinuance information. Under Specification Changes and Document Changes, added product discontinuance information. Under Markings, added product discontinuance information. Under Specification Changes, added product discontinuance information. Under Document Changes, added change to Table 1-1, Table 1-2, Table 8-1, and Section 11.12.4.1. Under Errata, added errata for slow SIR.
09/25/98	004	Under Affected Documents/Related Documents, added StrongARM to precede SA-1100 in the titles for the two brief datasheets.
09/18/98	003	Under Identification Information, removed DE-S1100-BA and DE-S1100-BB to show discontinuance. Under Documentation Changes, removed references to -BA and -BB parts to show discontinuance. On the title page, StrongARM added to precede SA-1100 in the title.
08/25/98	002	Under Documentation Changes, changed page, table, and figure #s to show change to Intel format. Added change to Table 12-1, Table 12-2, Table 12-3, Table 13-1, Table 13-2, Figure 14-1 and Section 3.2.6. Under Identification Information, added DE-S1100-EA, DE-S1100-AB, DE-S1100-BB, DE-S1100-CB, DE-S1100-DB, AND DE-S1100-EB. Under Affected Documents/Related Documents, removed SA-1100 Data Sheet to show discontinuance. Under Errata, added two errata.
07/14/98	001	Product line order number sequence change, from 280105-001 to 278105-001. Under Affected Documents/Related Documents, changed order #s to show change to Intel order #s.
06/15/98	001	This is the new specification update document. It contains all identified errata published prior to this date.

Preface

As of July, 1996, Intel's Computing Enhancement Group has consolidated available historical device and documentation errata into this new document type called the Specification Update. We have endeavored to include all documented errata in the consolidation process, however, we make no representations or warranties concerning the completeness of the Specification Update.

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

Information types defined in Nomenclature are consolidated into the specification update and are no longer published in other documents.

This document may also contain information that was not previously published.

Affected Documents/Related Documents

Title	Order
StrongARM™ SA-1100 Microprocessor Technical Reference Manual	278088-002
StrongARM™ SA-1100 Microprocessor for Portable Applications	278087-002
StrongARM™ SA-1100 Microprocessor for Embedded Applications	278092-002

08/25/98

Removed reference to the StrongARM™ SA-1100 Microprocessor Datasheet (278179-001) as it is no longer in publication.

Nomenclature

Errata are design defects or errors. These may cause the published (component, board, system) behavior to deviate from published specifications. Hardware and software designed to be used with any component, board, and system must consider all errata documented.

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

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 any new release of the specification.

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

Note: Errata remain in the specification update throughout the product's lifecycle, or until a particular stepping is no longer commercially available. Under these circumstances, errata removed from the specification update are archived and available upon request. Specification changes, specification clarifications and documentation changes are removed from the specification update when the appropriate changes are made to the appropriate product specification or user documentation (datasheets, manuals, etc.).

Summary Table of Changes

The following table indicates the errata, specification changes, specification clarifications, or documentation changes which apply to the SA-1100 product. Intel may fix some of the errata in a future stepping of the component, and 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: Errata exists in the stepping indicated. 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.

Page

- (Page): Page location of item in this document.

Status

- Doc: Document change or update will be implemented.
- Fix: This erratum is intended to be fixed in a future step of the component.
- Fixed: This erratum has been previously fixed.
- NoFix: There are no plans to fix this erratum.
- Eval: Plans to fix this erratum are under evaluation.

Row



Change bar to left of table row indicates this erratum is either new or modified from the previous version of the document.

Errata

No.	Steppings			Page	Status	ERRATA
	E	#	#			
1	X			8	Fix	Possible Missed RTC Alarm
2	X			8	Fix	Transmit Behavior Causing Generation of Five Consecutive Ones at End of CRC
3	X			8	Fix	Restriction on Clearing LCD AC Bias Count (ABC) Status Bit
4	X			9	Fix	Receiver to Receive Data Frequency in Slow Infrared Mode (SIR)
5	X			9	Fix	Incorrect Transmit Pulse Width in Low-Power Mode in Slow Infrared Mode (SIR)
6	X			9	Fix	Possible Corrupted Start Bit in Slow Infrared Mode (SIR)

Specification Changes

No.	Steppings		Page	Status	SPECIFICATION CHANGES
	E	#			
1	X		10	Eval	USB Feature
2	X		10	Doc	Product Discontinuance

Specification Clarifications

No.	Steppings			Page	Status	SPECIFICATION CLARIFICATIONS
	#	#	#			
						None for this revision of this specification update.

Documentation Changes

No.	Document Revision	Page	Status	DOCUMENTATION CHANGES
1	278088-001	12	Doc	AC Timing Table: Table 13-2
2	278088-002	12	Doc	Register 0 — ID: Section 5.2.1
3	278088-002	12	Doc	UDC Register Definitions: Section 11.8.2
3	278088-002	12	Doc	Dram Timing: Section 10.3.2

Identification Information

Markings

DE-S1100-AA, DE-S1100-CA, DE-S1100-DA, DE-S1100-EA, DE-S1100-AB, DE-S1100-CB, DE-S1100-DB, and DE-S1100-EB.

This document contains errata for the SA-1100 Microprocessor. The SA-1100 device revision that is affected by this errata can be identified as order numbers DE-S1100-AA, DE-S1100-CA, DE-S1100-DA, DE-S1100-EA, DE-S1100-AB, DE-S1100-CB, DE-S1100-DB, and DE-S1100-EB.

Markings	Speed (MHz)	Voltage (V)	Package
DE-S1100-AA	133	1.5	TQFP
DE-S1100-CA	160	2.0	TQFP
DE-S1100-DA	220	2.0	TQFP
DE-S1100-EA	190	1.5	TQFP
DE-S1100-AB	133	1.5	mBGA
DE-S1100-CB	160	2.0	mBGA
DE-S1100-DB	220	2.0	mBGA
DE-S1100-EB	190	1.5	mBGA

09/16/98

Removed markings DE-S1100-BA and DE-S1100-BB to show product discontinuance.

Related Information

As of May 17, 1998, Digital Equipment Corporation's StrongARM, PCI Bridge, and Networking component businesses, along with the chip fabrication facility in Hudson, Massachusetts, were acquired by Intel Corporation. As a result of this transaction, certain references to web sites, telephone numbers, and fax numbers have changed in the documentation. Updates to this information are planned for the next version of this manual. Copies of documents that have an ordering number and are referenced in this document, or other Intel literature may be obtained by calling:

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Errata

1. Possible Missed RTC Alarm

Problem: If an RTC alarm occurs just as the SA-1100 is entering or leaving sleep mode, the alarm status bit (AL, bit 0 in RTSR) could fail to be set.

Workaround: A software workaround intended to provide a way to avoid missing an RTC alarm is available. If the RTC alarm is set:

1. Read the RTC Timer (RCNR) and Alarm register (RTAR) before entering sleep mode via software. The RTAR must be greater than or equal to RCNR + 2 in order to ensure that an RTC alarm is not missed while entering sleep mode.
2. Read the RTC Timer (RCNR) and Alarm register (RTAR) after a sleep wakeup to determine if an alarm occurred.

Status: Fix. Refer to Summary Table of Changes to determine the affected stepping(s).

2. Transmit Behavior Causing Generation of Five Consecutive Ones at End of CRC

Problem: If the data within a packet transmitted by the SDLC transmitter causes the last five bits within the CRC to be all ones, the SDLC does not insert a zero into the serial data being output.

For example, the SDLC transmits the following:

```
start | addr | cntl | data | CRC...011111 | 01111110 |
```

when it should transmit:

```
start | addr | cntl | data | CRC...0111110 | 01111110 |
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The SDLC receiver does not strip a zero after five ones are encountered at the end of the receive packet CRC. However, the SDLC receiver correctly detects a packet either with or without a stuffed zero at the end.

Workaround: None. Off-chip receivers can signal errors when detecting data that causes five consecutive ones to be generated at the end of the CRC.

Status: Fix. Refer to Summary Table of Changes to determine the affected stepping(s).

3. Restriction on Clearing LCD AC Bias Count (ABC) Status Bit

Problem: If the user programs the AC Bias Pin Transition Per Interrupt (API) bit-field to a nonzero value and the AC Bias Count (ABC) status bit is set, writing a one to the bit does not clear it. Only a reset of the SA-1100 can clear the ABC.

Workaround: The API should be programmed to all zeros.

Status: Fix. Refer to Summary Table of Changes to determine the affected stepping(s).

4. Receiver to Receive Data Frequency in Slow Infrared Mode (SIR)

Problem: When serial port 2 (SP2) is configured for operation in SIR mode and the remote transmitter frequency is higher by 0.13 % or more than the SP2 Sir receiver clock supplied by the 3.6864-MHz PLL and bit rate generator, some percentage of the received data is corrupted by the addition of spurious bit.

Note: According to *IrDA Serial Infrared Physical Layer Link Specification V 1.2*, the allowable rate deviation tolerance is $\pm 0.87\%$ when operating in SIR mode.

Workaround: None. Off-chip IrDA receivers can be used to format and synchronize the incoming data so that it can be input to the on-chip UART via SP2.

Status: Fix. Refer to Summary Table of Changes to determine the affected stepping(s).

5. Incorrect Transmit Pulse Width in Low-Power Mode in Slow Infrared Mode (SIR)

Problem: When serial port 2 (SP2) is configured for operation in SIR mode and the UART control register 4 (UTCR4) LPB bit is set, the transmitted pulse is equal to 3/8 of a bit time.

Note: According to *IrDA Serial Infrared Physical Layer Link Specification V 1.2*, the nominal minimum pulse width is 1.63 μs regardless of the signaling rate when operating in low-power SIR mode.

Workaround: Do not use low-power (LPM) mode in SIR. Always set LPM of UTCR4 to zero.

Status: Fix. Refer to Summary Table of Changes to determine the affected stepping(s).

6. Possible Corrupted Start Bit in Slow Infrared Mode (SIR)

Problem: When serial port 2 (SP2) is configured for operation in SIR mode, there is the possibility that the loading of the Transmit FIFO while the IrDA transmitter is active can cause the transmitted start bit to be corrupted. If the problem occurs, the start bit will go active 5/16 of a bit-time too early and will remain active for 8/16 of a bit-time, instead of the required time of 3/16 of a bit-time.

Workaround: None. Off-chip IrDA transmitters can be used to format the outgoing data from the on-chip UART via SP2.

Status: Fix. Refer to Summary Table of Changes to determine the affected stepping(s).

Specification Changes

1. USB Feature

The USB feature is not available in this release of the product.

2. Product Discontinuance

Effective October 16, 1998, Intel will no longer offer a 200 MHz version of the SA-1100 RISC microprocessor due to a product line consolidation. It is replaced by a new version of the same device offered at 190 MHz @ 1.5 V. This device can be ordered in both a TQFP and mBGA package.

Specification Clarifications

None for this revision of this specification update.

Documentation Changes

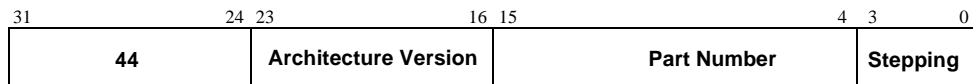
1. AC Timing Table: Table 13-2

- All parameters guaranteed by design. Data needs to be added for CA and DA parts.

2. Register 0 — ID: Section 5.2.1

The following architecture and implementation-defined identification added for Register 0 of coprocessor 15.

Register 0 is a read-only register that returns an architecture and implementation-defined identification for the device.



Architecture Version	ARM architecture version 01 = Version 4
Part Number	Part number A11 = SA1100
Stepping	Stepping revision of SA-1100 1 = B stepping 2 = C stepping 8 = D stepping 9 = E stepping

3. UDC Register Definitions: Section 11.8.2

The following last sentence of the Note to Section 11.8.2 deleted:

“The FIFOs are an exception to this, and may be accessed at full speed.”

Text description in Note : “Due to the internal synchronization required by the UDC’s configuration registers, it is possible for the processor to write the UDC registers too fast.” changed to “Due to the internal synchronization required by the UDC’s configuration registers, it is possible for the processor to write the UDC registers and FIFOs too fast.”

4. Dram Timing: Section 10.3.2

Text description: “nRAS will be deasserted on the next rising memory clock cycle edge after the last nCAS rising edge (either 1 or 2 CPU clock cycles).” changed to “For write transactions, nRAS will be deasserted on the next rising memory clock cycle edge after the last nCAS rising edge (either 1 or 2 CPU clock cycles). For read transactions, nRAS will be deasserted on the rising memory clock cycle edge that occurs either 2 or 3 CPU clock cycles after the input data is latched.”

