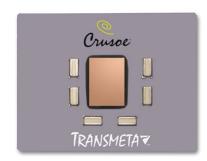
Crusoe™ Processor Product Brief Model TM5500





Crusoe™ Processor Model TM5500 Features

- VLIW processor and x86 Code Morphing™ software provide x86-compatible mobile platform solution
- Processors fabricated in latest 0.13μ process technology operate up to 800 MHz at very low power levels
- Standard product speeds of 667, 700, 733, and 800 MHz
- Integrated 64K-byte L1 instruction cache, 64K-byte L1 data cache, and 256K-byte L2 write-back cache
- Integrated northbridge core logic features facilitate compact system designs
 - DDR SDRAM memory controller with 100-133 MHz, 2.5V interface
 - SDR SDRAM memory controller with 100-133 MHz, 3.3V interface
 - PCI bus controller (PCI 2.1 compliant) with 33 MHz, 3.3V interface
- LongRun™ advanced power management with ultra-low power operation extends mobile battery life
 - 0.4-1.0 W @ 367-800 MHz, 0.95-1.3V running typical multimedia applications
 - 150 mW in deep sleep
- Full System Management Mode (SMM) support
- · Compact 474-pin ceramic BGA package

The Transmeta Crusoe processor is an ultra-low power, high-speed microprocessor based on an advanced VLIW core architecture. When used in conjunction with Transmeta's x86 Code Morphing software, the Crusoe processor provides x86-compatible software execution using dynamic binary code translation, without requiring code recompilation. In addition to the VLIW core, the processor incorporates separate 64K-byte instruction and data caches, a large 256K-byte L2 write-back cache, 64-bit DDR SDRAM memory controller, 64-bit SDR SDRAM memory controller, and 32-bit PCI controller. These additional functional units, which are typically part of the core system logic that surrounds the microprocessor, allow the Crusoe processor to provide a highly integrated and cost effective platform solution for the x86 mobile market. The processor core operates from a 0.95-1.3V supply, resulting in extremely low power consumption, even at high operating frequencies. With power consumption during typical operation as low as 150 milliWatts, the Crusoe processor is the most energy efficient high-performance x86-compatible mobile solution ever offered.

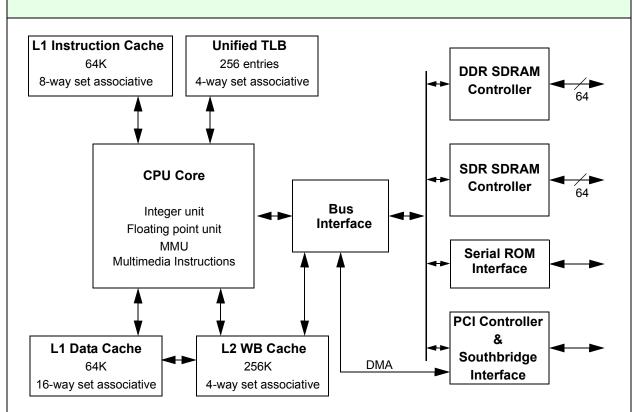
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1.0 Architecture

The Crusoe processor incorporates integer and floating point execution units, separate instruction and data caches, a level-2 write-back cache, memory management unit, and multimedia instructions. In addition to these traditional processor features, the device integrates a DDR SDRAM memory controller, SDR SDRAM memory controller, PCI bus controller and serial ROM interface controller. These additional units are usually part of the core system logic that surrounds the microprocessor. The VLIW processor, in combination with Code Morphing software and the additional system core logic units, allow the Crusoe processor to provide a highly integrated, ultra-low power, high performance platform solution for the x86 mobile market. The Crusoe processor block diagram is shown in Figure 1.

Figure 1 Crusoe Processor Block Diagram - Model TM5500



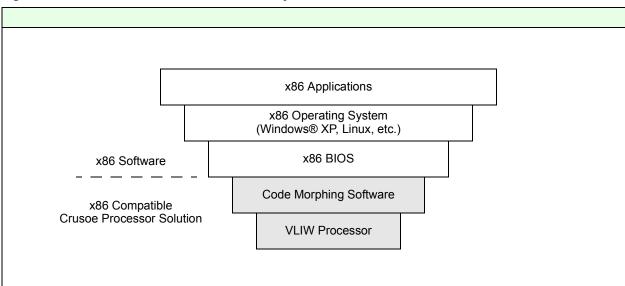
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2.0 Processor Core

The Crusoe processor core architecture is relatively simple by conventional standards. It is based on a Very Long Instruction Word (VLIW) 128-bit instruction set. Within this VLIW architecture, the control logic of the processor is kept very simple and software is used to control the scheduling of instructions. This allows a simplified and very straightforward hardware implementation with an inorder 7-stage integer pipeline and a 10-stage floating point pipeline. By streamlining the processor hardware and reducing the control logic transistor count, the performance-to-power consumption ratio can be greatly improved over traditional x86 architectures.

The Crusoe processor includes a 64K-byte 8-way set-associative Level 1 (L1) instruction cache, and a 64K-byte 16-way set associative L1 data cache. The TM5500 model also includes an integrated 256K-byte Level 2 (L2) write-back cache for improved effective memory bandwidth and enhanced performance. This cache architecture assures maximum internal memory bandwidth for performance intensive mobile applications, while maintaining the same low-power implementation that provides a superior performance-to-power consumption ratio relative to previous x86 implementations.

Other than having execution hardware for logical, arithmetic, shift, and floating point instructions, as in conventional processors, the Crusoe processor has very distinctive features from traditional x86 designs. To ease the translation process from x86 to the core VLIW instruction set, the hardware generates the same condition codes as conventional x86 processors and operates on the same 80-bit floating point numbers. Also, the Translation Look-aside Buffer (TLB) has the same protection bits and address mapping as x86 processors. The software component of this solution is used to emulate all other features of the x86 architecture. The software that converts x86 programs into the core VLIW instructions is called Code Morphing software. The combination of Code Morphing software and the VLIW core together act as an x86-compatible solution, as shown in Figure 2.



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Figure 2 Crusoe Processor Software Hierarchy



The typical behavior of the Code Morphing software is to execute a loop which decodes and executes x86 instructions. The first few times a specific x86 code sequence is executed, Code Morphing interprets the code by decoding the instructions one byte at time and then dispatching execution to corresponding VLIW native instruction subroutines. Once the x86 code has been executed several times, Code Morphing translates the x86 instructions into highly optimized and extremely fast VLIW native instructions, executes the translated code, and caches the native instruction translations for future use. If the same x86 code is required to execute again, the high-performance cached translations are executed immediately and no re-translation is required.

2.1 Integrated DDR SDRAM Memory Controller

The DDR SDRAM interface is the highest performance memory interface available on the Crusoe processor. The DDR SDRAM controller supports only Double Data Rate (DDR) SDRAM and transfers data at a rate that is twice the clock frequency of the interface. The DDR SDRAM controller supports a single bank of memory, equivalent to a single Small Outline Dual In-line Memory Module (SODIMM), of DDR SDRAM using a 64-bit wide interface.

The DDR SDRAM memory can be populated with 64M-bit, 128M-bit, 256M-bit, or 512M-bit devices. To reduce signal loading, only x8 or x16 devices should be used.

The frequency setting for the DDR SDRAM interface is initialized during the power-on boot sequence. Although the processor supports a DDR interface frequency in the range of 1/2 to 1/15 of the core frequency, the recommended interface frequency is between 100 and 133 MHz.

2.2 Integrated SDR SDRAM Memory Controller

The SDR SDRAM memory controller supports up to four banks, equivalent to two Small Outline Dual In-line Memory Modules (SODIMMS), of Single Data Rate (SDR) SDRAM that can be configured as 64-bit SODIMMs. These SODIMMs can be populated with 64M-bit, 128M-bit, 256M-bit, or 512M-bit devices. All SODIMMs must use the same frequency SDRAMs, but there are no restrictions on mixing different SODIMM configurations into each SODIMM slot.

The frequency setting for the SDR SDRAM interface is initialized during the power-on boot sequence. Although the processor supports an SDR interface frequency in the range of 1/2 to 1/15 of the core frequency, the recommended interface frequency is between 100 and 133 MHz. It is also recommended that a maximum of 8 devices per SODIMM be used in order to operate at the required frequency with the proper signal integrity.

2.3 Integrated PCI Controller

The Crusoe processor includes a PCI bus controller that is PCI 2.1 compliant. The PCI bus is 32 bits wide, operates at 33 MHz, and is compatible with 3.3V signal levels. It is not 5V tolerant, however. The PCI controller on provides a PCI host bridge, the PCI bus arbiter, and a DMA controller.

The PCI bus can sustain 132 Mbytes/sec bursts for reads and writes on 4K-byte blocks. The PCI controller snoops ahead on PCI-to-DRAM reads and writes. The 16-Dword CPU-to-PCI write buffer converts sequential memory mapped I/O writes to PCI bursts. The DMA controller handles PCI-to-DRAM reads and writes. The 16-Dword PCI-to-DRAM write buffer converts one 16-Dword burst to eight separate address/data pairs. The 16-Dword DRAM-to-PCI read ahead buffer permits continuation of read ahead activity after hitting in the buffer. The PCI controller tri-states the PCI bus when hot docking.

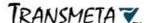
2.4 Serial ROM Interface

The Crusoe processor serial ROM interface is a five-pin interface used to read data from a serial flash ROM. The flash ROM is 1M-byte in size and provides non-volatile storage for the Code Morphing software. During the boot process, the Code Morphing code is copied from the ROM to the Code Morphing memory space in SDRAM. Once transferred, the Code Morphing code requires 16M-bytes of memory space. The portion of SDRAM space reserved for Code Morphing software is not visible to x86 code. Transmeta supplies programming information for the flash ROM device. This interface may also be used for in-system reprogramming of the flash ROM.

3.0 Software Compatibility

When used in conjunction with Transmeta's x86 Code Morphing software, the Crusoe processor provides x86-compatible software execution without requiring code recompilation. Systems based on this solution are capable of executing all standard x86-compatible operating systems and applications, including Microsoft® Windows® 9x, Windows® ME, Windows® NT, Windows® 2000, Windows® XP, and Linux.

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4.0 Power and Thermal Management

The Crusoe processor operates from a 0.95-1.3V core voltage supply at extremely low power levels, even while the device is operating at very high performance. The TM5500 model incorporates LongRun adaptive power and thermal management technologies. LongRun power management dynamically reduces the core CPU power consumption to near-optimal levels in response to processor work load requirements. LongRun thermal management intelligently adapts the Crusoe processor operation to system thermal environments.

4.1 Power Management States

Crusoe processors, in conjunction with Code Morphing software, support industry standard ACPI-compliant power management modes, with five distinct power states: Normal, Auto Halt, Quick Start, Deep Sleep and Off. These power states may be used to reduce the operating power of the processor during system states that require little or no CPU activity. Table 1 lists the state of the processor for each of the ACPI global system states.

Table 1 Crusoe Processor Power Management System States

ACPI System State		Processor State	SDRAM	Clock Generator
G0/S0/C0	Working	Normal	Normal	Running
G0 / S0 / C1	Auto Halt	Auto Halt	Normal/Self Refresh	Running
G0 / S0 / C2	Quick Start	Quick Start	Self Refresh	Running
G0 / S0 / C3	Deep Sleep	Deep Sleep	Self Refresh	Clocks Stopped
G1 / S1	Sleeping	Deep Sleep	Self Refresh	PLL Shut Down
G1 / S3	Suspend-to-RAM	Off	Self Refresh	PLL Shut Down
G1 / S4	Suspend-to-Disk	Off	Off	Off
G2 / S5	Soft Off	Off	Off	Off
G3	Mechanical Off	Off	Off	Off

The Crusoe processor power management state diagram, Figure 3 below, shows the state transitions between the various power management states and the conditions driving these transitions.

Normal $H = false^1$ STPCLK# asserted and Stop Grant bus cycle5 HLT² STPCLK# and negated Halt and H = false¹ Halt bus cycle⁴ break^3 SLEEP# asserted and CLKIN stopped STPCLK# asserted and Stop Grant bus cycle⁵ **Auto Halt Quick Start Deep Sleep** $H = true^{1}$ STPCLK# negated and H = true¹ SLEEP# negated and CLKIN running Snoop serviced and H = true¹ Snoop event Snoop event Snoop serviced and H = false¹ Snoop Notes: Service 1. H = processor halt state 2. HLT = x86 HLT instruction executed
3. Halt break = INTR, NMI, SMI#, INIT#, or RESET# 4. Halt bus cycle = PCI special cycle
5. Stop Grant bus cycle = PCI special cycle

Figure 3 Power Management State Diagram



4.2 LongRun Power Management

LongRun power management technology provides Code Morphing software with the ability to adjust the Crusoe processor core operating voltage and clock frequency dynamically, depending on the demands placed on the processor by software. Because power varies linearly with clock speed and by the square of voltage, adjusting both processor voltage and clock frequency can produce cubic reductions in power consumption, whereas conventional processors can adjust power linearly only by adjusting the effective operating frequency.

The LongRun policies are implemented within the Code Morphing software and can detect different workload scenarios based on runtime performance information, and then exploit these by adapting processor power usage accordingly. This ensures the processor delivers high performance when necessary and conserves power when demand on the processor is low. All power adjustments are transparent to the operating system, power management controller, and the user. LongRun power management uses a number of core frequency/voltage operating points, allowing Crusoe processors to optimize for the lowest power and maximum performance along this curve, as shown in Figure 4 below.

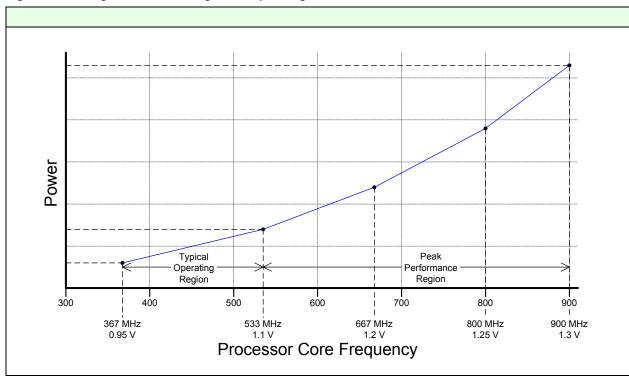


Figure 4 LongRun Power Management Operating Points

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Most conventional x86 processors utilize ACPI policies to regulate their power consumption, the processor rapidly alternating between running at full-speed and being effectively turned off (called clock-throttling). This approach can potentially disable the processor just when a critical application needs it. In contrast, LongRun power management dynamically picks just the right clock speed and operating voltage needed to run the application, thereby allowing maximum energy efficiency. LongRun power management works in conjunction with ACPI. When the processor frequency and voltage scaling reaches the minimum LongRun power management setpoint, the processor transparently switches over to traditional power models, allowing policies such as ACPI to handle power management at very low power operating points.

4.3 LongRun Thermal Management

Thermal management of TM5500/TM5800 processors is integrated into the LongRun power management frequency/voltage ramp policies. The LongRun thermal management policy manages the TM5500/TM5800 processor thermal environment by using frequency/voltage shifts as a substitute for thermal throttling. In contrast to conventional thermal management techniques, LongRun thermal management delivers higher performance at the same die temperature, or the same performance at a lower die temperature. LongRun thermal management essentially expands the thermal budget of the processor. LongRun thermal management maximizes system performance and maintains safe processor operating temperatures within constrained thermal environments. LongRun thermal management is recommended for all Crusoe processor-based systems.

Crusoe processors provide an integrated on-die thermal diode. This thermal diode can be connected to an external temperature sensor and the processor junction temperature monitored by system BIOS and application software.

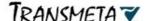
4.4 Thermal Power

Table 2 below provides processor core frequency and voltage operating ranges and maximum thermal power specifications.

Table 2 Crusoe Processor Model TM5500 Specifications

Crusoe Processor Model	Performance Range	Voltage Range	Maximum Thermal Power
TM5500-800 MHz	367 - 800 MHz	0.95 - 1.3 V	6.0 W
TM5500-733 MHz	333 - 733 MHz	0.95 - 1.3 V	5.5 W
TM5500-700 MHz	333 - 700 MHz	0.95 - 1.3 V	5.3 W
TM5500-667 MHz	300 - 667 MHz	0.95 - 1.3 V	5.0 W

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4.5 Typical Operating Power

Table 3 below provides Crusoe processor model TM5500 typical power dissipation for each of the processor power states.

Table 3 Crusoe Processor Typical Power Consumption - TM5500 367-800 MHz 0.95-1.3V

Workload	ACPI State	Crusoe Processor + Integrated Northbridge	Notes
DVD Playback	C0-C3	1.05 W	1, 2
MP3 Playback	C0-C3	0.42 W	1, 3
Auto Halt	C1	0.31 W	1
Quick Start	C2	0.20 W	1
Deep Sleep	C3	0.15 W	1

Notes: 1. All power supplies at their optimal operating values. Full system power management enabled, including LongRun adaptive power management.

- 2. Typical DVD power is measured while running the Win DVD® 2000 player under Windows® 2000.
- 3. Typical MP3 power measured while running MMJukebox under Windows® 2000.

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