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Revision History

Revision	Version	Description	Date
321324	-001	Public Release	March 2009
321324	-002	Added Errata AAK102 and AAK103	April 2009
321324	-003	Added Errata AAK104 and AAK105	May 2009
321324	-004	Added Errata AAK106 through AAK110	June 2009
321324	-005	Added Errata AAK111 through AAK115	July 2009
321324	-006	Added Errata AAK116 through AAK121 Added SLBGE, SLBKC and SLBGF to CPU Identification Table	September 2009
321324	-007	Added Errata AAK122 through AAK127	October 2009
321324	-008	Updated Spec Update to match Nov. NDA Spec Update Added AAK128 through AAK150	December 2009
321324	-009	Added Erratum AAK151	February 2010
321324	-010	Added Erratum AAK152	March 2010
321324	-011	Added Erratum AAK153	April 2010
321324	-012	Added Errata AAK154 and AAK155	July 2010
321324	-013	Added Errata AAK156 and AAK157. Updated AAK76. Included Microcode Updates tables.	December 2010
321324	-014	Added Errata AAK158 through AAK160	January 2011
321324	-015	Added Errata AAK161 through AAK166	April 2011
321324	-016	Added Errata AAK167-AAK171	July 2013
321324	-017	Added Errata AAK172-AAK181	February 2014
321324	-018	Added Errata AAK182 and updated AAK92	February 2015



Preface

This document is an update to the specifications contained in the "Affected 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

Document Title	Document Number/ Location
Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 Series Datasheet Volume 1 and 2	321321 & 321322

Related Documents

Document Title	Document Number/ Location
AP-485, Intel [®] Processor Identification and the CPUID Instruction	http://www.intel.com/ design/processor/applnots/ 241618.htm
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual • Volume 1: Basic Architecture • Volume 2A: Instruction Set Reference Manual A-M • Volume 2B: Instruction Set Reference Manual N-Z • Volume 3A: System Programming Guide • Volume 3B: System Programming Guide	http://www.intel.com/ products/processor/ manuals/index.htm
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel Architecture Optimization Reference Manual	http://www.intel.com/ products/processor/ manuals/index.htm
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual Documentation Changes	http://www.intel.com/ design/processor/specupdt/ 252046.htm



Nomenclature

Errata are design defects or errors. These may cause the Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 Series 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.

S-Spec Number is a five-digit code used to identify products. Products are differentiated by their unique characteristics, for example, core speed, L2 cache size, package type, and so forth, as described in the processor identification information table. Read all notes associated with each S-Spec number.

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, and so forth).



Summary Tables of Changes

The following tables indicate the errata, specification changes, specification clarifications, or documentation changes which apply to the Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 Series 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. These tables uses the following notations:

Codes Used in Summary Tables

Stepping

X: Errata exists in the stepping indicated. Specification Change or

Clarification that applies to this stepping.

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or (Blank box): This erratum is fixed in listed stepping or specification change

does not apply to listed stepping.

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

Status

Doc: Document change or update will be implemented.

Plan Fix: This erratum may be fixed in a future stepping of the product.

Fixed: This erratum has been previously fixed.

No Fix: There are no plans to fix this erratum.

Row

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

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:



Errata (Sheet 1 of 7)

		Stepping	js	. .	
Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA
AAK1.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	MCi_Status Overflow Bit May Be Incorrectly Set on a Single Instance of a DTLL Error
AAK2.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Debug Exception Flags DR6.B0-B3 Flags May be Incorrect for Disabled Breakpoints
AAK3.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	MONITOR or CLFLUSH on the Local XAPIC's Address Space Results in Hang
AAK4.	Х	х	х	No Fix	Corruption of CS Segment Register During RSM While Transitioning From Rea Mode to Protected Mode
AAK5.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	The Processor May Report a #TS Instead of a #GP Fault
AAK6.	Х	х	х	No Fix	REP MOVS/STOS Executing with Fast Strings Enabled and Crossing Page Boundaries with Inconsistent Memory Types may use an Incorrect Data Size of Lead to Memory-Ordering Violations
AAK7.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Code Segment Limit/Canonical Faults on RSM May be Serviced before Higher Priority Interrupts/Exceptions and May Push the Wrong Address Onto the State
AAK8.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor SSE Retired Instructions May Return Incorrect Values
AAK9.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Premature Execution of a Load Operation Prior to Exception Handler Invocation
AAK10.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	MOV To/From Debug Registers Causes Debug Exception
AAK11.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Incorrect Address Computed For Last Byte of FXSAVE/FXRSTOR Image Leads to Partial Memory Update
AAK12.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Values for LBR/BTS/BTM will be Incorrect after an Exit from SMM
AAK13.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Single Step Interrupts with Floating Point Exception Pending May Be Mishandled
AAK14.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Fault on ENTER Instruction May Result in Unexpected Values on Stack Frame
AAK15.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	IRET under Certain Conditions May Cause an Unexpected Alignment Check Exception
AAK16.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	General Protection Fault (#GP) for Instructions Greater than 15 Bytes May be Preempted
AAK17.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	General Protection (#GP) Fault May Not Be Signaled on Data Segment Limit Violation above 4-G Limit
AAK18.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	LBR, BTS, BTM May Report a Wrong Address when an Exception/Interrupt Occurs in 64-bit Mode
AAK19.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitoring Events for Read Miss to Level 3 Cache Fill Occupancy Counter may be Incorrect
AAK20.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A VM Exit on MWAIT May Incorrectly Report the Monitoring Hardware as Arme
AAK21.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Memory Aliasing of Code Pages May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior
AAK22.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Delivery Status of the LINTO Register of the Local Vector Table May be Lost
AAK23.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Event SEGMENT_REG_LOADS Counts Inaccurately
AAK24.	Х	х	х	No Fix	#GP on Segment Selector Descriptor that Straddles Canonical Boundary May Not Provide Correct Exception Error Code
AAK25.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Improper Parity Error Signaled in the IQ Following Reset When a Code Breakpoint is Set on a #GP Instruction
AAK26.	×	х	х	No Fix	An Enabled Debug Breakpoint or Single Step Trap May Be Taken after MOV SS POP SS Instruction if it is Followed by an Instruction That Signals a Floating Point Exception
AAK27.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	IA32_MPERF Counter Stops Counting During On-Demand TM1
AAK28.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Intel® QuickPath Interconnect (Intel® QPI) Memory Controller May Hang If Uncorrectable ECC Errors Occur on Both Channels in Mirror Channel Mode



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Number	S	tepping	ıs	Status	EDDATA
Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA
AAK29.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Simultaneous Correctable ECC Errors on Different Memory Channels With Patrol Scrubbing Enabled May Result in Incorrect Information Being Logged
AAK30.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Intel OPI Memory Controller tTHROT_OPREF Timings May be Violated During Self Refresh Entry
AAK31.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Processor May Over Count Correctable Cache MESI State Errors
AAK32.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Synchronous Reset of IA32_APERF/IA32_MPERF Counters on Overflow Does Not Work
AAK33.	Х	Х	Х	No FIx	Disabling Thermal Monitor While Processor is Hot, Then Re-enabling, May Result in Stuck Core Operating Ratio
AAK34.	Х	Х		Fixed	The PECI Throttling Counter May Not be Accurate
AAK35.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	PECI Does Not Support PCI Configuration Reads/Writes to Misaligned Addresses
AAK36.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	OVER Bit for IA32_MCi_STATUS Register May Get Set on Specific Internal Error
AAK37.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Writing the Local Vector Table (LVT) when an Interrupt is Pending May Cause an Unexpected Interrupt
AAK38.	Х	Х		Fixed	A Processor Core May Not Wake Up from S1 State
AAK39.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Reading Reserved APIC Registers May Not Signal an APIC Error
AAK40.	Х	Х		Fixed	A Logical Processor Receiving a SIPI After a VM Entry Into WFS State May Become Unresponsive
AAK41.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Memory Controller May Deliver Incorrect Data When Memory Ranks Are In Power-Down
AAK42.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Faulting MMX™ Instruction May Incorrectly Update x87 FPU Tag Word
AAK43.	Х	Х		Fixed	A Floating-Point Store Instruction May Cause an Unexpected x87 FPU Floating- Point Error (#MF)
AAK44.	Х	Х		Fixed	Incorrect TLB Translation May Occur After Exit From C6
AAK45.	Χ			Fixed	USB 1.1 ISOCH Audio Glitches with Intel QPI Locks and Deep C-States
AAK46.	Х	Х		Fixed	Stack Pointer May Become Incorrect In Loops With Unbalanced Push and Pop Operations
AAK47.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A P-state Change While Another Core is in C6 May Prevent Further C-state and P-state Transitions
AAK48.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Certain Store Parity Errors May Not Log Correct Address in IA32_MCi_ADDR
AAK49.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	xAPIC Timer May Decrement Too Quickly Following an Automatic Reload While in Periodic Mode
AAK50.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Certain Undefined Opcodes Crossing a Segment Limit May Result in #UD Instead of #GP Exception
AAK51.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Indication of A20M Support is Inverted
AAK52.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Reported Memory Type May Not Be Used to Access the VMCS and Referenced Data Structures
AAK53.	Х	Х		Fixed	After VM Entry, Instructions May Incorrectly Operate as if CS.D=0
AAK54.	Х	Х		Fixed	An Intel QPI Link in a DP Configuration May Hang Due to Flit Prioritization
AAK55.	Х	Х		Fixed	Spurious Machine Check Error May Occur When Logical Processor is Woken Up
AAK56.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	B0-B3 Bits in DR6 For Non-Enabled Breakpoints May be Incorrectly Set
AAK57.	X	Х	Х	No Fix	Core C6 May Clear Previously Logged TLB Errors
AAK58.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Processor May Hang When Two Logical Processors Are in Specific Low Power States
AAK59.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	MOVNTDQA From WC Memory May Pass Earlier Locked Instructions
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Number	5	Stepping	ıs	Status	EDDATA
Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA
AAK60.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Event MISALIGN_MEM_REF May Over Count
AAK61.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Changing the Memory Type for an In-Use Page Translation May Lead to Memory-Ordering Violations
AAK62.	Х	х		Fixed	Writes to IA32_CR_PAT or IA32_EFER MSR May Cause an Incorrect ITLB Translation
AAK63.	Х	Х		Fixed	The "Virtualize APIC Accesses" VM-Execution Control May be Ignored
AAK64.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	In Memory Lockstep Mode Per DIMM Correctable ECC Errors Are Logged Incorrectly
AAK65.	Х	Х		Fixed	C6 Transitions May Cause Spurious Updates to the xAPIC Error Status Register
AAK66.	Х	Х		Fixed	Critical ISOCH Traffic May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior When Write Major Mode Enabled
AAK67.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Running with Write Major Mode Disabled May Lead to a System Hang
AAK68.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Memory Controller Address Parity Error Injection Does Not Work Correctly
AAK69.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Memory Controller Opportunistic Refreshes Might be Missed
AAK70.	X	Х	Х	No Fix	Delivery of Certain Events Immediately Following a VM Exit May Push a Corrupted RIP Onto The Stack
AAK71.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	The Combination of a Bus Lock and a Data Access That is Split Across Page Boundaries May Lead to Processor Livelock
AAK72.			Х	No Fix	CPUID Instruction Returns Incorrect Brand String
AAK73.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	An Unexpected Page Fault May Occur Following the Unmapping and Remapping of a Page
AAK74.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Infinite Stream of Interrupts May Occur if an ExtINT Delivery Mode Interrupt is Received while All Cores in C6
AAK75.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Two xAPIC Timer Event Interrupts May Unexpectedly Occur
AAK76.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	EOI Transaction May Not be Sent if Software Enters Core C6 During an Interrupt Service Routine
AAK77.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	FREEZE_WHILE_SMM Does Not Prevent Event From Pending PEBS During SMM
AAK78.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	PEBS Records For Load Latency Monitoring May Contain an Incorrect Linear Address
AAK79.	X ¹	X ¹	Х	No Fix	PEBS Field "Data Linear Address" is Not Sign Extended to 64 Bits
AAK80.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Core C6 May Not Operate Correctly in the Presence of Bus Locks
AAK81.	X ¹	X ¹	х	No Fix	USB 1.1 ISOCH Audio Glitches With Intel QPI L1 and Package C6 in a DP Configuration
AAK82.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Intel® Turbo Boost Technology May be Limited Immediately After Package C- state Exit with Intel QPI L1 Mode Disabled
AAK83.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	APIC Error "Received Illegal Vector" May be Lost
AAK84.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	CPUID Incorrectly Indicates the UnHalted Reference Cycle Architectural Event is Supported
AAK85.	Х	Х		Fixed	Architectural Performance Monitor Event 'Branch Misses Retired' is Counted Incorrectly
AAK86.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	DR6.B0-B3 May Not Report All Breakpoints Matched When a MOV/POP SS is Followed by a Store Instruction
AAK87.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	An Uncorrectable Error Logged in IA32_CR_MC2_STATUS May also Result in a System Hang
AAK88.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR May be Incorrectly Initialized
AAK89.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	ECC Errors Can Not be Injected on Back-to-Back Writes



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Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA
AAK90.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Interrupts Generated From Uncore Fixed Counters (394H) May be Ignored
AAK91.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Processors with SMT May Hang on P-State Transition or ACPI Clock Modulation Throttling
AAK92.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Counter MEM_INST_RETIRED.STORES May Count Higher than Expected
AAK93.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Sleeping Cores May Not be Woken Up on Logical Cluster Mode Broadcast IPI Using Destination Field Instead of Shorthand
AAK94.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Faulting Executions of FXRSTOR May Update State Inconsistently
AAK95.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Failing DIMM ID May be Incorrect in the 2DPC Configuration When Mirroring is Enabled
AAK96.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	ISSUEONCE Bit in MC_SCRUB_CONTROL Register Does Not Work Correctly
AAK97.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Unexpected Intel QPI Link Behavior May Occur When a CRC Error Happens During LOs
AAK98.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Event EPT.EPDPE_MISS May be Counted While EPT is Disabled
AAK99.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Intel® QuickPath Interconnect Memory Controller Operating In Lockstep Mode May Deliver Incorrect Data on Exiting Package C3 or C6 State
AAK100.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Counters May Count Incorrectly
AAK101.	Х	Х	X	No Fix	Memory Thermal Throttling May Not Work as Expected in Lockstep Channel Mode
AAK102.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Processor Forward Progress Mechanism Interacting With Certain MSR/CSR Writes May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior
AAK103.	Х	Х		Fixed	USB 1.1 Isoch Memory Latencies May Increase During Package C3/C6 Transitions
AAK104.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Processor May Incorrectly Demote Processor C6 State to a C3 State
AAK105.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Event Offcore_response_0 (B7H) Does Not Count NT Stores to Local DRAM Correctly
AAK106.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	EFLAGS Discrepancy on Page Faults and on EPT-Induced VM Exits after a Translation Change
AAK107.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	Persistent Stream of Correctable Memory ECC Errors May Disable the Scrubbing Engine
AAK108.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	System May Hang if MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_MC_DIMM_INIT_CMD.DO_ZQCL Commands Are Not Issued in Increasing Populated DDR3 Rank Order
AAK109.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	LER and LBR MSRs May Be Incorrectly Updated During a Task Switch
AAK110.	Х	X		Fixed	Virtualized WRMSR to the IA32_EXT_XAPIC_TPR MSR Uses Incorrect Value for TPR Threshold
AAK111.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Back to Back Uncorrected Machine Check Errors May Overwrite IA32_MC3_STATUS.MSCOD
AAK112.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Memory Intensive Workloads with Core C6 Transitions May Cause System Hang
AAK113.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Corrected Errors With a Yellow Error Indication May be Overwritten by Other Corrected Errors
AAK114.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	PSI# Signal May Incorrectly be Left Asserted
AAK115.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A Patrol Scrub Operation Conflicting with a Memory Self Refresh Request May Result in a System Hang
AAK116.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A String Instruction that Re-maps a Page May Encounter an Unexpected Page Fault
AAK117.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Lockstep Memory Configurations May Not Operate Correctly With Package C3/ C6 States Enabled



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Number	S	tepping	S	Status	EDDATA
Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA
AAK118.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Memory ECC Errors May be Observed When a UC Partial Write is Followed by a UC Read to the Same Location
AAK119.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Events DCACHE_CACHE_LD and DCACHE_CACHE_ST May Overcount
AAK120.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Rapid Core C3/C6 Transition May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior
AAK121.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Events INSTR_RETIRED and MEM_INST_RETIRED May Count Inaccurately
AAK122.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A Page Fault May Not be Generated When the PS bit is set to "1" in a PML4E or PDPTE
AAK123.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Package C3/C6 Transitions When Memory 2x Refresh is Enabled May Result in a System Hang
AAK124.	Х	Х	Х	Plan Fix	Intel QPI Link in a DP Configuration May Hang Due to Back-Back CRC Errors
AAK125.	Х	Х	Х	Plan Fix	tRP Timing Violations May be Observed Near a Self Refresh Entry
AAK126.	Х	Х	Х	Plan Fix	Concurrent Updates to a Segment Descriptor May be Lost
AAK127.	Х	Х	Х	Plan Fix	PMIs May be Lost During Core C6 Transitions
AAK128.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Uncacheable Access to a Monitored Address Range May Prevent Future Triggering of the Monitor Hardware
AAK129.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Memory Controller Clock Circuits May Show a Temperature Sensitive Dependence on Power-On Conditions
AAK130.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	BIST Results May be Additionally Reported After a GETSEC[WAKEUP] or INIT- SIPI Sequence
AAK131.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Enabling Demand/Patrol Scrubs Along With WMM May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior
AAK132.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Pending x87 FPU Exceptions (#MF) May be Signaled Earlier Than Expected
AAK133.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Exits Due to "NMI-Window Exiting" May Be Delayed by One Instruction
AAK134.	Х	х	Х	Plan Fix	VM Exits Due to EPT Violations Do Not Record Information About Pre-IRET NMI Blocking
AAK135.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Multiple Performance Monitor Interrupts are Possible on Overflow of IA32_FIXED_CTR2
AAK136.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	LBRs May Not be Initialized During Power-On Reset of the Processor
AAK137.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	Unexpected Interrupts May Occur on C6 Exit If Using APIC Timer to Generate Interrupts
AAK138.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	BTM or BTS Records May have Incorrect Branch From Information After an Enhanced Intel SpeedStep® Technology Transition, T-states, C1E, or Adaptive Thermal Throttling
AAK139.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VMX-Preemption Timer Does Not Count Down at the Rate Specified
AAK140.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Exits Due to LIDT/LGDT/SIDT/SGDT Do Not Report Correct Operand Size
AAK141.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	INVLPG Following INVEPT or INVVPID May Fail to Flush All Translations for a Large Page
AAK142.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitoring Events STORE_BLOCKS.NOT_STA and STORE_BLOCKS.STA May Not Count Events Correctly
AAK143.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Storage of PEBS Record Delayed Following Execution of MOV SS or STI
AAK144.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitoring Event FP_MMX_TRANS_TO_MMX May Not Count Some Transitions
AAK145.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	The PECI Bus May be Tri-stated After System Reset
AAK146.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	MSRs May Be Unreliable
AAK147.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	An Exit From the Core C6-state May Result in the Dropping of an Interrupt
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Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA		
AAK148.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	PMIs During Core C6 Transitions May Cause the System to Hang		
AAK149.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	2 MB Page Split Lock Accesses Combined With Complex Internal Events May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior		
AAK150.	Х	Х	Х	Plan Fix	IA32_MC8_CTL2 MSR is Not Cleared on Processor Warm Reset		
AAK151.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	The Combination of a Page-Split Lock Access And Data Accesses That Are Split Across Cacheline Boundaries May Lead to Processor Livelock		
AAK152.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	FP Data Operand Pointer May Be Incorrectly Calculated After an FP Access Which Wraps a 4-Gbyte Boundary in Code That Uses 32-Bit Address Size in 64- bit Mode		
AAK153.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	IO_SMI Indication in SMRAM State Save Area May Be Lost		
AAK154.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Events for Hardware Prefetches Which Miss the L1 Data Cache May be Over Counted		
AAK155.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Exit May Incorrectly Clear IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL [34:32]		
AAK156.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Intel QPI Lane May Be Dropped During Full Frequency Deskew Phase of Training		
AAK157.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	PerfMon Overflow Status Can Not be Cleared After Certain Conditions Have Occurred		
AAK158.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	An Unexpected Page Fault or EPT Violation May Occur After Another Logical Processor Creates a Valid Translation for a Page		
AAK159.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	L1 Data Cache Errors May be Logged With Level Set to 1 Instead of 0		
AAK160.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Stack Pushes May Not Occur Properly for Events Delivered Immediately After VM Entry to 16-Bit Software		
AAK161.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	PerfMon Event LOAD_HIT_PRE.SW_PREFETCH May Overcount		
AAK162.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	Successive Fixed Counter Overflows May be Discarded		
AAK163.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	#GP May be Signaled When Invalid VEX Prefix Precedes Conditional Branch Instructions		
AAK164.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A Logical Processor May Wake From Shutdown State When Branch-Trace Messages or Branch-Trace Stores Are Enabled		
AAK165.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	Task Switch to a TSS With an Inaccessible LDTR Descriptor May Cause Unexpected Faults		
AAK166.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Changes to Reserved Bits of Some Non-Architectural MSR's May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior		
AAK167.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	Virtual-APIC Page Accesses With 32-Bit PAE Paging May Cause a System Crash		
AAK168.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	SMRAM State-Save Area Above the 4 GB Boundary May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior		
AAK169.	Х	х	Х	No Fix	The Corrected Error Count Overflow Bit in IA32_ MC0_STATUS is Not Updated After a UC Error is Logged		
AAK170.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	The Upper 32 Bits of CR3 May be Incorrectly Used With 32-Bit Paging		
AAK171.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	EPT Violations May Report Bits 11:0 of Guest Linear Address Incorrectly		
AAK172.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	MCI_ADDR May be Incorrect For Cache Parity Errors		
AAK173.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	A Machine Check Occurring During VM Entry May Cause Unpredictable Behavior		
AAK174.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	A Combination of Data Accesses That Are Split Across Cacheline Boundaries May Lead to a Processor Hang		
AAK175.	Χ	Х	Х	No Fix	Execution of INVVPID Outside 64-Bit Mode Cannot Invalidate Translations For 64-Bit Linear Addresses		
AAK176.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Exits Due to "NMI-Window Exiting" May Not Occur Following a VM Entry to the Shutdown State		



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Number	s	tepping	s	Status	ERRATA
Number	C-0	C-1	D-0	Status	ERRATA
AAK177.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	All system interrupt sources should be quiesced before hardware disabling Logical Processor local APIC(s).
AAK178.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Entries That Return From SMM Using VMLAUNCH May Not Update The Launch State of the VMCS
AAK179.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Entry May Clear Bytes 81H-83H on Virtual-APIC Page When "Use TPR Shadow" Is 0
AAK180.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	A First Level Data Cache Parity Error May Result in Unexpected Behavior
AAK181.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	Executing The GETSEC Instruction While Throttling May Result in a Processor Hang
AAK182.	Х	Х	Х	No Fix	VM Exit May Set IA32_EFER.NXE When IA32_MISC_ENABLE Bit 34 is Set to 1

Notes:

^{1.} For this stepping of the product BIOS workaround is not available.



Specification Changes

ĺ	Number	SPECIFICATION CHANGES
		None for this revision of this specification update.

Specification Clarifications

Number	SPECIFICATION CLARIFICATIONS
AAK1.	Clarification of TRANSLATION LOOKASIDE BUFFERS (TLBS) Invalidation

Documentation Changes

Number	r DOCUMENTATION CHANGES					
	None for this revision of the specification update.					



Identification Information

Component Identification via Programming Interface

The Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 Series stepping can be identified by the following register contents:

Reserved	Extended Family ¹	Extended Model ²	Reserved	Processor Type ³	Family Code ⁴	Model Number ⁵	Stepping ID ⁶
31:28	27:20	19:16	15:14	13:12	11:8	7:4	3:0
	0000000b	0001b		00b	0110	1010b	xxxxb

Notes:

- 1. The Extended Family, bits [27:20] are used in conjunction with the Family Code, specified in bits [11:8], to indicate whether the processor belongs to the Intel386™, Intel486™, Pentium®, Pentium® Pro, Pentium® 4, Intel® Core™ processor family or Intel® Core™ i7 family.
- 2. The Extended Model, bits [19:16] in conjunction with the Model Number, specified in bits [7:4], are used to identify the model of the processor within the processor's family.
- The Processor Type, specified in bits [13:12] indicates whether the processor is an original OEM processor, an OverDrive processor, or a dual processor (capable of being used in a dual processor system).
 The Family Code corresponds to bits [11:8] of the EDX register after RESET, bits [11:8] of the EAX
- 4. The Family Code 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.
- 5. The Model Number 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.
- 6. The Stepping ID in bits [3:0] indicates the revision number of that model. See Table 1 for the processor stepping ID number in the CPUID information.

When EAX is initialized to a value of '1', the CPUID instruction returns the *Extended Family, Extended Model, Processor Type, Family Code, Model Number and Stepping ID* value in the EAX register. Note that the EDX processor signature value after reset is equivalent to the processor signature output value in the EAX register.

Cache and TLB descriptor parameters are provided in the EAX, EBX, ECX and EDX registers after the CPUID instruction is executed with a 2 in the EAX register.



Component Marking Information

Intel $\ \$ Xeon $\ \ \$ Processor 5500 Series stepping can be identified by the following component markings:

Figure 1. Processor Top-side Markings (Example)

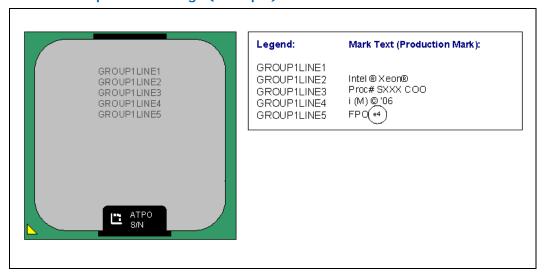


Table 1. Intel® Xeon® Processor 5500 Series Identification

S-Spec Number	Stepping	CPUID	Core Frequency (GHz) / Intel® QuickPath Interconnect (GT/s) / DDR3 (MHz)	Available bins of Intel® Turbo Boost Technology	Cache Size (MB)	Notes
SLBF3	D-0	0x000106A5	2.93 / 6.40 / 1333	2/2/3/3	8	3, 4
SLBF4	D-0	0x000106A5	2.80 / 6.40 /1333	2/2/3/3	8	3, 5
SLBF5	D-0	0x000106A5	2.66 / 6.40 /1333	2/2/3/3	8	3, 6
SLBF6	D-0	0x000106A5	2.53 / 5.86 /1066	1/1/1/2	8	3, 7
SLBF7	D-0	0x000106A5	2.40 / 5.86/ 1066	1/1/2/2	8	3, 8
SLBFD	D-0	0x000106A5	2.26 / 5.86 / 1066	1/1/2/2	8	3, 9
SLBF8	D-0	0x000106A5	2.13 / 4.80 / 800	n/a	4	3, 10
SLBF9	D-0	0x000106A5	2.00 / 4.80 / 800	n/a	4	3, 11
SLBEZ	D-0	0x000106A5	1.86 / 4.80 / 800	n/a	4	3, 12
SLBFA	D-0	0x000106A5	2.26 / 5.86 / 1066	1/1/2/2	8	3, 13
SLBFH	D-0	0x000106A5	2.13 / 4.80 / 800	n/a	4	3, 14
SLBF2	D-0	0x000106A5	3.20 / 6.40 / 1333	1/1/1/2	8	3, 15
SLBGK	D-0	0x000106A5	2.00 / 5.86 / 1066	na/na/2/3	8	3, 20
SLBFW	D-0	0x000106A5	2.13 / 5.86 / 1066	1/1/2/2	8	3, 19
SLBGE	D-0	0x000106A5	3.33 / 6.40 / 1333	1/1/1/2	8	3, 21
SLBKC	D-0	0x000106A5	2.26 / 4.80 / 800	n/a	8	3, 22
SLBGF	D-0	0x000106A5	2.40 / 5.86 / 1066	1/1/2/2	8	3, 23
SLBKD	D-0	0x000106A5	2.00 / 4.80 / 800	n/a	4	3, 24

Notes:



- Although these units are factory-configured for 1333 MHz integrated memory controller frequency, Intel does not support operation beyond 1066 MHz; however, this processor has additional support to override the integrated memory controller frequency.
- Column indicates the number of frequency bins (133.33 MHz) of Intel® Turbo Boost Technology that are 2 available for 4, 3, 2, or 1 cores active respectively.
- CPUID is 0000106Ash, where 's' is the stepping number.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5570 with 95W TDP (Thermal Design Power).
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5560 with 95W TDP (Thermal Design Power).
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5550 with 95W TDP (Thermal Design Power). This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5540 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power).
- 8. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5530 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power). This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5520 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power).
- 10.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5506 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power). This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5504 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power). 11.
- 12.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5502 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power). This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5520 with 60W TDP (Thermal Design Power). 13
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5506 with 60W TDP (Thermal Design Power). This is an Intel® Xeon Processor W5580 with 130W TDP (Thermal Design Power).
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- Column indicates the number of frequency bins (133.33 MHz) of Intel® Turbo Boost Technology that are 16. available for 4, 3, 2, or 1 cores active respectively.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor 5500 Series with 60W TDP and elevated case temperature spec. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor 5500 Series with 38W TDP and elevated case temperature spec. 17
- 18.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5518 with 60W TDP and elevated case temperature spec. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5508 with 38W TDP and elevated case temperature spec. 19.
- 20
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor W5590 with 130W TDP (Thermal Design Power). 21.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5507 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power). This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5530 with 60W TDP (Thermal Design Power).
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5503 with 80W TDP (Thermal Design Power).

Mixing Processor Within DP Platforms

Intel supports dual processor (DP) configurations consisting of processors:

- 1. From the same power optimization segment
- 2. That support the same maximum Intel® QuickPath Interconnect (Intel® QPI) and DDR3 memory speeds.
- 3. That share symmetry across physical packages with respect to the number of logical processors per package, number of cores per package, number of Intel QPI Interfaces, and cache topology.
- 4. That have identical Extended Family, Extended Model, Processor Type, Family Code and Model Number as indicated by the function 1 of the CPUID instruction.

Note: Processors must operate with the same Intel QPI, DDR3 memory and core frequency.

> While Intel does nothing to prevent processors from operating together, some combinations may not be supported due to limited validation, which may result in uncharacterized errata. Coupling this fact with the large number of Intel Xeon processor 5500 series attributes, the following population rules and stepping matrix have been developed to clearly define supported configurations.

- 1. Processors must be of the same power-optimization segment. This insures processors include the same maximum Intel QPI and DDR3 operating speeds and cache sizes.
- 2. Processors must operate at the same core frequency. Note: Processors within the same power-optimization segment supporting different maximum core frequencies (for example, a 2.93 GHz / 95 W and 2.66 GHz / 95W) can be operated within a system. However, both must operated at the highest frequency rating commonly supported. Mixing components operating at different internal clock frequencies is not supported and will not be validated by Intel.
- 3. Processors must share symmetry across physical packages with respect to the number of logical processors per package, number of Intel QPI Interfaces, and cache topology.



- 4. Mixing dissimilar steppings is only supported with processors that have identical Extended Family, Extended Model, Processor type, Family Code and Model Number as indicated by the function 1 of the CPUID instruction. Mixing processors of different steppings but the same model (as per CPUID instruction) is supported. Details regarding the CPUID instruction are provided in the AP-487, Intel® Processor Identification and the CPUID Instruction application note and Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 2A.
- 5. After AND'ing the feature flag and extended feature flag from the installed processors, any processor whose set of feature flags exactly matches the AND'ed feature flags can be selected by the BIOS as the BSP. If no processor exactly matches the AND'ed feature flag values, then the processors with the numerically lower CPUID should be selected as the BSP.
- 6. Intel requires that the processor microcode update be loaded on each processor operating within the system. Any processor that does not have the proper microcode update loaded is considered by Intel to be operating out of specification.
- 7. The workarounds identified in this, and subsequent specification updates, must properly applied to each processor in the system. Certain errata are specific to the multiprocessor environment. Errata for all processor steppings will affect system performance if not properly worked around.
- 8. Customers are fully responsible for the validation of their system configurations.



Errata

AAK1. MCi_Status Overflow Bit May Be Incorrectly Set on a Single Instance

of a DTLB Error

Problem: A single Data Translation Look Aside Buffer (DTLB) error can incorrectly set the

Overflow (bit [62]) in the MCi_Status register. A DTLB error is indicated by MCA error code (bits [15:0]) appearing as binary value, 000x 0000 0001 0100, in the MCi_Status

register.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the Overflow bit in the MCi_Status register may not be an accurate

indication of multiple occurrences of DTLB errors. There is no other impact to normal

processor functionality.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK2. Debug Exception Flags DR6.B0-B3 Flags May be Incorrect for Disabled

Breakpoints

Problem: When a debug exception is signaled on a load that crosses cache lines with data

forwarded from a store and whose corresponding breakpoint enable flags are disabled

(DR7.G0-G3 and DR7.L0-L3), the DR6.B0-B3 flags may be incorrect.

Implication: The debug exception DR6.B0-B3 flags may be incorrect for the load if the

corresponding breakpoint enable flag in DR7 is disabled.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK3. MONITOR or CLFLUSH on the Local XAPIC's Address Space Results in

Hang

Problem: If the target linear address range for a MONITOR or CLFLUSH is mapped to the local

xAPIC's address space, the processor will hang.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the processor will hang. The local xAPIC's address space

must be uncached. The MONITOR instruction only functions correctly if the specified linear address range is of the type write-back. CLFLUSH flushes data from the cache.

Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: Do not execute MONITOR or CLFLUSH instructions on the local xAPIC address space.

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

AAK4. Corruption of CS Segment Register During RSM While Transitioning

From Real Mode to Protected Mode

Problem: During the transition from real mode to protected mode, if an SMI (System

Management Interrupt) occurs between the MOV to CRO that sets PE (Protection Enable, bit 0) and the first FAR JMP, the subsequent RSM (Resume from System Management Mode) may cause the lower two bits of CS segment register to be

corrupted.

Implication: The corruption of the bottom two bits of the CS segment register will have no impact

unless software explicitly examines the CS segment register between enabling protected mode and the first FAR JMP. Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual Volume 3A: System Programming Guide, Part 1, in the section titled "Switching to Protected Mode" recommends the FAR JMP immediately follows the



write to CR0 to enable protected mode. 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*.

AAK5. The Processor May Report a #TS Instead of a #GP Fault

Problem: A jump to a busy TSS (Task-State Segment) may cause a #TS (invalid TSS exception)

instead of a #GP fault (general protection exception).

Implication: Operation systems that access a busy TSS may get invalid TSS fault instead of a #GP

fault. 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*.

AAK6. REP MOVS/STOS Executing with Fast Strings Enabled and Crossing

Page Boundaries with Inconsistent Memory Types may use an Incorrect Data Size or Lead to Memory-Ordering Violations

Problem: Under certain conditions as described in the Software Developers Manual section "Out-

of-Order Stores For String Operations in Pentium 4, Intel Xeon, and P6 Family Processors," the processor performs REP MOVS or REP STOS as fast strings. Due to this erratum fast string REP MOVS/REP STOS instructions that cross page boundaries from WB/WC memory types to UC/WP/WT memory types, may start using an incorrect data

size or may observe memory ordering violations.

Implication: Upon crossing the page boundary the following may occur, dependent on the new page

memory type:

• UC the data size of each write will now always be 8 bytes, as opposed to the

original data size.

• WP the data size of each write will now always be 8 bytes, as opposed to the

original data size and there may be a memory ordering violation.

• WT there may be a memory ordering violation.

Workaround: Software should avoid crossing page boundaries from WB or WC memory type to UC,

WP or WT memory type within a single REP MOVS or REP STOS instruction that will

execute with fast strings enabled.

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

AAK7. Code Segment Limit/Canonical Faults on RSM May be Serviced before

Higher Priority Interrupts/Exceptions and May Push the Wrong

Address Onto the Stack

Problem: Normally, when the processor encounters a Segment Limit or Canonical Fault due to

code execution, a #GP (General Protection Exception) fault is generated after all higher priority Interrupts and exceptions are serviced. Due to this erratum, if RSM (Resume from System Management Mode) returns to execution flow that results in a Code Segment Limit or Canonical Fault, the #GP fault may be serviced before a higher priority Interrupt or Exception (for example, NMI (Non-Maskable Interrupt), Debug break(#DB), Machine Check (#MC), and so forth). If the RSM attempts to return to a non-canonical address, the address pushed onto the stack for this #GP fault may not

match the non-canonical address that caused the fault.

Implication: Operating systems may observe a #GP fault being serviced before higher priority

Interrupts and Exceptions. Intel has not observed this erratum on any commercially

available software.



Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK8. Performance Monitor SSE Retired Instructions May Return Incorrect

Values

Problem: Performance Monitoring counter SIMD_INST_RETIRED (Event: C7H) is used to track

retired SSE instructions. Due to this erratum, the processor may also count other

types of instructions resulting in higher than expected values.

Implication: Performance Monitoring counter SIMD_INST_RETIRED may report count higher than

expected.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK9. Premature Execution of a Load Operation Prior to Exception Handler

Invocation

Problem: If any of the below circumstances occur, it is possible that the load portion of the

instruction will have executed before the exception handler is entered.

• If an instruction that performs a memory load causes a code segment limit

violation.

If a waiting X87 floating-point (FP) instruction or MMX[™] technology (MMX) instruction that performs a memory load has a floating-point exception pending.

 If an MMX or SSE/SSE2/SSE3/SSSE3 extensions (SSE) instruction that performs a memory load and has either CR0.EM=1 (Emulation bit set), or a floating-point Top-

of-Stack (FP TOS) not equal to 0, or a DNA exception pending.

Implication: In normal code execution where the target of the load operation is to write back

memory there is no impact from the load being prematurely executed, or from the restart and subsequent re-execution of that instruction by the exception handler. If the target of the load is to uncached memory that has a system side-effect, restarting the instruction may cause unexpected system behavior due to the repetition of the side-effect. Particularly, while CRO.TS [bit 3] is set, a MOVD/MOVQ with MMX/XMM register

operands may issue a memory load before getting the DNA exception.

Workaround: Code which performs loads from memory that has side-effects can effectively

workaround this behavior by using simple integer-based load instructions when accessing side-effect memory and by ensuring that all code is written such that a code segment limit violation cannot occur as a part of reading from side-effect memory.

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

AAK10. MOV To/From Debug Registers Causes Debug Exception

Problem: When in V86 mode, if a MOV instruction is executed to/from a debug registers, a

general-protection exception (#GP) should be generated. However, in the case when the general detect enable flag (GD) bit is set, the observed behavior is that a debug

exception (#DB) is generated instead.

Implication: With debug-register protection enabled (that is, the GD bit set), when attempting to

execute a MOV on debug registers in V86 mode, a debug exception will be generated

instead of the expected general-protection fault.

Workaround: In general, operating systems do not set the GD bit when they are in V86 mode. The

GD bit is generally set and used by debuggers. The debug exception handler should check that the exception did not occur in V86 mode before continuing. If the exception



did occur in V86 mode, the exception may be directed to the general-protection

exception handler.

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

AAK11. Incorrect Address Computed For Last Byte of FXSAVE/FXRSTOR

Image Leads to Partial Memory Update

Problem: A partial memory state save of the 512-byte FXSAVE image or a partial memory state

restore of the FXRSTOR image may occur if a memory address exceeds the 64KB limit while the processor is operating in 16-bit mode or if a memory address exceeds the

4GB limit while the processor is operating in 32-bit mode.

Implication: FXSAVE/FXRSTOR will incur a #GP fault due to the memory limit violation as expected

but the memory state may be only partially saved or restored.

Workaround: Software should avoid memory accesses that wrap around the respective 16-bit and

32-bit mode memory limits.

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

AAK12. Values for LBR/BTS/BTM will be Incorrect after an Exit from SMM

Problem: After a return from SMM (System Management Mode), the CPU will incorrectly update

the LBR (Last Branch Record) and the BTS (Branch Trace Store), hence rendering their data invalid. The corresponding data if sent out as a BTM on the system bus will also be

incorrect.

Note: This issue would only occur when one of the 3 above mentioned debug support facilities

are used.

Implication: The value of the LBR, BTS, and BTM immediately after an RSM operation should not be

used.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK13. Single Step Interrupts with Floating Point Exception Pending May Be

Mishandled

Problem: In certain circumstances, when a floating point exception (#MF) is pending during

single-step execution, processing of the single-step debug exception (#DB) may be

mishandled.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, #DB will be incorrectly handled as follows:

• #DB is signaled before the pending higher priority #MF (Interrupt 16)

• #DB is generated twice on the same instruction

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK14. Fault on ENTER Instruction May Result in Unexpected Values on Stack

Frame

Problem: The ENTER instruction is used to create a procedure stack frame. Due to this erratum,

if execution of the ENTER instruction results in a fault, the dynamic storage area of the resultant stack frame may contain unexpected values (that is, residual stack data as a

result of processing the fault).

Implication: Data in the created stack frame may be altered following a fault on the ENTER

instruction. Please refer to "Procedure Calls For Block-Structured Languages" in



Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 1: Basic Architecture, for information on the usage of the ENTER instructions. This erratum is not expected to occur in ring 3. Faults are usually processed in ring 0 and stack switch occurs when transferring to ring 0. Intel has not observed this erratum on any commercially available software.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK15. IRET under Certain Conditions May Cause an Unexpected Alignment

Check Exception

Problem: In IA-32e mode, it is possible to get an Alignment Check Exception (#AC) on the IRET

instruction even though alignment checks were disabled at the start of the IRET. This can only occur if the IRET instruction is returning from CPL3 code to CPL3 code. IRETs from CPL0/1/2 are not affected. This erratum can occur if the EFLAGS value on the stack has the AC flag set, and the interrupt handler's stack is misaligned. In IA-32e

mode, RSP is aligned to a 16-byte boundary before pushing the stack frame.

Implication: In IA-32e mode, under the conditions given above, an IRET can get a #AC even if

alignment checks are disabled at the start of the IRET. This erratum can only be

observed with a software generated stack frame.

Workaround: Software should not generate misaligned stack frames for use with IRET.

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

AAK16. General Protection Fault (#GP) for Instructions Greater than 15 Bytes

May be Preempted

Problem: When the processor encounters an instruction that is greater than 15 bytes in length, a

#GP is signaled when the instruction is decoded. Under some circumstances, the #GP fault may be preempted by another lower priority fault (for example, Page Fault (#PF)). However, if the preempting lower priority faults are resolved by the operating system

and the instruction retried, a #GP fault will occur.

Implication: Software may observe a lower-priority fault occurring before or in lieu of a #GP fault.

Instructions of greater than 15 bytes in length can only occur if redundant prefixes are

placed before the instruction.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK17. General Protection (#GP) Fault May Not Be Signaled on Data Segment

Limit Violation above 4-G Limit

Problem: In 32-bit mode, memory accesses to flat data segments (base = 00000000h) that

occur above the 4G limit (Offfffffh) may not signal a #GP fault.

Implication: When such memory accesses occur in 32-bit mode, the system may not issue a #GP

fault.

Workaround: Software should ensure that memory accesses in 32-bit mode do not occur above the

4G limit (Offfffffh).

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

AAK18. LBR, BTS, BTM May Report a Wrong Address when an Exception/

Interrupt Occurs in 64-bit Mode

Problem: An exception/interrupt event should be transparent to the LBR (Last Branch Record),

BTS (Branch Trace Store) and BTM (Branch Trace Message) mechanisms. However,



during a specific boundary condition where the exception/interrupt occurs right after the execution of an instruction at the lower canonical boundary (0x00007FFFFFFFFFFF) in 64-bit mode, the LBR return registers will save a wrong return address with bits 63 to 48 incorrectly sign extended to all 1's. Subsequent BTS and BTM operations which report the LBR will also be incorrect.

Implication: LBR, BTS and BTM may report incorrect information in the event of an exception/

interrupt.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK19. Performance Monitoring Events for Read Miss to Level 3 Cache Fill

Occupancy Counter may be Incorrect

Problem: Whenever an Level 3 cache fill conflicts with another request's address, the miss to fill

occupancy counter, UNC_GQ_ALLOC.RT_LLC_MISS (Event 02H), will provide erroneous

results.

Implication: The Performance Monitoring UNC GQ ALLOC.RT LLC MISS event may count a value

higher than expected. The extent to which the value is higher than expected is

determined by the frequency of the L3 address conflict.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK20. A VM Exit on MWAIT May Incorrectly Report the Monitoring Hardware

as Armed

Problem: A processor write to the address range armed by the MONITOR instruction may not

immediately trigger the monitoring hardware. Consequently, a VM exit on a later MWAIT may incorrectly report the monitoring hardware as armed, when it should be

reported as unarmed due to the write occurring prior to the MWAIT.

Implication: If a write to the range armed by the MONITOR instruction occurs between the

MONITOR and the MWAIT, the MWAIT instruction may start executing before the monitoring hardware is triggered. If the MWAIT instruction causes a VM exit, this could cause its exit qualification to incorrectly report 0x1. In the recommended usage model for MONITOR/MWAIT, there is no write to the range armed by the MONITOR instruction

between the MONITOR and the MWAIT.

Workaround: Software should never write to the address range armed by the MONITOR instruction

between the MONITOR and the subsequent MWAIT.

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

AAK21. Memory Aliasing of Code Pages May Cause Unpredictable System

Behavior

Problem: The type of memory aliasing contributing to this erratum is the case where two

different logical processors have the same code page mapped with two different memory types. Specifically, if one code page is mapped by one logical processor as write-back and by another as uncacheable and certain instruction fetch timing

conditions occur, the system may experience unpredictable behavior.

Implication: The type of memory aliasing contributing to this erratum is the case where two

different logical processors have the same code page mapped with two different memory types. Specifically, if one code page is mapped by one logical processor as write-back and by another as uncacheable and certain instruction fetch timing

conditions occur, the system may experience unpredictable behavior.



Workaround: Code pages should not be mapped with uncacheable and cacheable memory types at

the same time.

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

AAK22. Delivery Status of the LINTO Register of the Local Vector Table May be

Lost

Problem: The Delivery Status bit of the LINTO Register of the Local Vector Table will not be

restored after a transition out of C6 under the following conditions

· LINTO is programmed as level-triggered

· The delivery mode is set to either Fixed or ExtINT

• There is a pending interrupt which is masked with the interrupt enable flag (IF)

Implication: Due to this erratum, the Delivery Status bit of the LINTO Register will unexpectedly not

be set. 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.

AAK23. Performance Monitor Event SEGMENT_REG_LOADS Counts

Inaccurately

Problem: The performance monitor event SEGMENT_REG_LOADS (Event 06H) counts

instructions that load new values into segment registers. The value of the count may be

inaccurate.

Implication: The performance monitor event SEGMENT_REG_LOADS may reflect a count higher or

lower than the actual number of events.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK24. #GP on Segment Selector Descriptor that Straddles Canonical

Boundary May Not Provide Correct Exception Error Code

Problem: During a #GP (General Protection Exception), the processor pushes an error code on to

the exception handler's stack. If the segment selector descriptor straddles the

canonical boundary, the error code pushed onto the stack may be incorrect.

Implication: An incorrect error code may be pushed onto the stack. 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.

AAK25. Improper Parity Error Signaled in the IQ Following Reset When a Code

Breakpoint is Set on a #GP Instruction

Problem: While coming out of cold reset or exiting from C6, if the processor encounters an

instruction longer than 15 bytes (which causes a #GP) and a code breakpoint is enabled on that instruction, an IQ (Instruction Queue) parity error may be incorrectly

logged resulting in an MCE (Machine Check Exception).

Implication: When this erratum occurs, an MCE may be incorrectly signaled.

Workaround: None identified.

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



AAK26. An Enabled Debug Breakpoint or Single Step Trap May Be Taken after

MOV SS/POP SS Instruction if it is Followed by an Instruction That

Signals a Floating Point Exception

Problem: A MOV SS/POP SS instruction should inhibit all interrupts including debug breakpoints

until after execution of the following instruction. This is intended to allow the sequential execution of MOV SS/POP SS and MOV [r/e]SP, [r/e]BP instructions without having an invalid stack during interrupt handling. However, an enabled debug breakpoint or single step trap may be taken after MOV SS/POP SS if this instruction is followed by an instruction that signals a floating point exception rather than a MOV [r/e]SP, [r/e]BP instruction. This results in a debug exception being signaled on an unexpected instruction boundary since the MOV SS/POP SS and the following instruction should be

executed atomically.

Implication: This can result in incorrect signaling of a debug exception and possibly a mismatched

Stack Segment and Stack Pointer. If MOV SS/POP SS is not followed by a MOV [r/e]SP, [r/e]BP, there may be a mismatched Stack Segment and Stack Pointer on any exception. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available

software or system.

Workaround: As recommended in the Intel® 64 and IA-32 Intel® Architectures Software Developer's

Manual, the use of MOV SS/POP SS in conjunction with MOV [r/e]SP, [r/e]BP will avoid the failure since the MOV [r/e]SP, [r/e]BP will not generate a floating point exception. Developers of debug tools should be aware of the potential incorrect debug event

signaling created by this erratum.

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

AAK27. IA32_MPERF Counter Stops Counting During On-Demand TM1

Problem: According to the Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual

Volume 3A: System Programming Guide, the ratio of IA32_MPERF (MSR E7H) to IA32_APERF (MSR E8H) should reflect actual performance while TM1 or on-demand throttling is activated. Due to this erratum, IA32_MPERF MSR stops counting while TM1 or on-demand throttling is activated, and the ratio of the two will indicate higher

processor performance than actual.

Implication: The incorrect ratio of IA32 APERF/IA32 MPERF can mislead software P-state

(performance state) management algorithms under the conditions described above. It is possible for the Operating System to observe higher processor utilization than actual, which could lead the OS into raising the P-state. During TM1 activation, the OS P-state request is irrelevant and while on-demand throttling is enabled, it is expected that the OS will not be changing the P-state. This erratum should result in no practical

implication to software.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK28. Intel® QuickPath Interconnect (Intel® QPI) Memory Controller May

Hang If Uncorrectable ECC Errors Occur on Both Channels in Mirror

Channel Mode

Problem: If an uncorrectable ECC error occurs on the mirrored channel before an uncorrectable

ECC error on the other channel can be resolved, the Intel QPI Memory Controller will

hang without an uncorrectable ECC error being logged.

Implication: The processor may hang and not report the error when uncorrectable ECC errors occur

in close proximity on both channels in a mirrored channel pair. No uncorrectable ECC

error will be logged in the machine check banks.



Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK29. Simultaneous Correctable ECC Errors on Different Memory Channels

With Patrol Scrubbing Enabled May Result in Incorrect Information

Being Logged

Problem: When a correctable patrol scrub ECC error occurs simultaneously with a correctable

system read ECC error on different memory channels, IA32_MCi_STATUS and IA32_MCi_MISC should log the system read error. Due to this erratum IA32_MCi_MISC may incorrectly contain the patrol scrub error information and the IA32_MCi_ADDR

may not be correct.

Implication: IA32 MCi MISC and IA32 MCi STATUS information may be inconsistent.

IA32_MCi_ADDR may be incorrect.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK30. Intel QPI Memory Controller tTHROT_OPREF Timings May be Violated

During Self Refresh Entry

Problem: During self refresh entry, the memory controller may issue more refreshes than

permitted by tTHROT_OPREF (bits 29:19 in MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_REFRESH_TIMING

CSR).

Implication: The intention of tTHROT OPREF is to limit current. Since current supply conditions near

self refresh entry are not critical, there is no measurable impact due to this erratum.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK31. Processor May Over Count Correctable Cache MESI State Errors

Problem: Under a specific set of conditions, correctable Level 2 cache hierarchy MESI state errors

may be counted more than once per occurrence of a correctable error.

Implication: Correctable Level 2 cache hierarchy MESI state errors may be reported in the

MCi STATUS register at a rate higher than their actual occurrence.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK32. Synchronous Reset of IA32_APERF/IA32_MPERF Counters on

Overflow Does Not Work

Problem: When either the IA32_MPERF or IA32_APERF MSR (E7H, E8H) increments to its

maximum value of 0xFFFF_FFFF_FFFF, both MSRs are supposed to synchronously reset to 0x0 on the next clock. This synchronous reset does not work. Instead, both

MSRs increment and overflow independently.

Implication: Software can not rely on synchronous reset of the IA32_APERF/IA32_MPERF registers.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK33. Disabling Thermal Monitor While Processor is Hot, Then Re-enabling,

May Result in Stuck Core Operating Ratio

Problem: If a processor is at its TCC (Thermal Control Circuit) activation temperature and then

Thermal Monitor is disabled by a write to IA32_MISC_ENABLES MSR (1A0H) bit [3], a



subsequent re-enable of Thermal Monitor will result in an artificial ceiling on the maximum core P-state. The ceiling is based on the core frequency at the time of Thermal Monitor disable. This condition will only correct itself once the processor reaches its TCC activation temperature again.

Implication: Since Intel requires that Thermal Monitor be enabled in order to be operating within

specification, this erratum should never be seen during normal operation.

Workaround: Software should not disable Thermal Monitor during processor operation.

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

AAK34. The PECI Throttling Counter May Not be Accurate

Problem: Under certain throttling circumstances, the PECI (Platform Environment Control

Interface) throttling counter may not be accurate. If the throttling counter is zero, then

the counter accurately reflects that throttling never occurred.

Implication: If the PECI throttle counter is non-zero, it may not be accurate.

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*.

AAK35. PECI Does Not Support PCI Configuration Reads/Writes to Misaligned

Addresses

Problem: The PECI (Platform Environment Control Interface) specification allows for partial reads

from or writes to misaligned addresses within the PCI configuration space. However, the PECI client does not properly interpret addresses that are Dword (4 byte)

misaligned and may read or write incorrect data.

Implication: Due to this erratum, writes to or reads from Dword misaligned addresses could result in

unintended side effects and unpredictable behavior.

Workaround: PECI host controllers may issue byte, word and Dword reads and writes as long as they

are aligned to Dword addresses.

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

AAK36. OVER Bit for IA32_MCi_STATUS Register May Get Set on Specific

Internal Error

Problem: If a specific type of internal unclassified error is detected, as identified by

IA32_MCi_STATUS.MCACOD=0x0405, the IA32_MCi_ STATUS.OVER (overflow) bit [62]

may be erroneously set.

Implication: The OVER bit of the MCi_STATUS register may be incorrectly set for a specific internal

unclassified error.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK37. 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*.

AAK38. A Processor Core May Not Wake Up from S1 State

Problem: If there is an interrupt pended at the same time as the package is entering S1 and one

of the cores in the package is entering C3, it is possible that the core entering C3 may

not wake up from the S1 state.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the processor core may not wake up from S1 state.

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*.

AAK39. Reading Reserved APIC Registers May Not Signal an APIC Error

Problem: Reads of reserved APIC registers in xAPIC compatibility mode should signal an APIC

error with the Illegal Register Address bit [11] set in the Error Status Register (offset

0x280). Due to the erratum, the error is neither logged nor signaled.

Implication: A reserved APIC register access error interrupt may not be logged or signaled, even

though the APIC error interrupt is enabled, on a read of a reserved APIC register.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK40. A Logical Processor Receiving a SIPI After a VM Entry Into WFS State

May Become Unresponsive

Problem: A logical processor may become unresponsive after receiving a SIPI (Start-up

Interprocessor Interrupt) following a VM Entry into a WFS (Wait-for-SIPI) state.

Implication: The logical processor that receives a SIPI while in the WFS state may stop responding.

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*.

AAK41. Memory Controller May Deliver Incorrect Data When Memory Ranks

Are In Power-Down

Problem: When one or more memory ranks are in Power-Down (as controlled by

MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_CKE_TIMING CSR parameters), certain memory access

patterns may result in incorrect data.

Implication: Due this erratum, incorrect data may result.

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*.

AAK42. Faulting MMX™ Instruction May Incorrectly Update x87 FPU Tag Word

Problem: Under a specific set of conditions, MMX stores (MOVD, MOVQ, MOVNTQ, MASKMOVQ)

which cause memory access faults (#GP, #SS, #PF, or #AC), may incorrectly update

the x87 FPU tag word register.

This erratum will occur when the following additional conditions are also met.



 The MMX store instruction must be the first MMX instruction to operate on x87 FPU state (that is, the x87 FP tag word is not already set to 0x0000).

• For MOVD, MOVQ, MOVNTQ stores, the instruction must use an addressing mode that uses an index register (this condition does not apply to MASKMOVQ).

Implication: If the erratum conditions are met, the x87 FPU tag word register may be incorrectly set

to a 0x0000 value when it should not have been modified.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK43. A Floating-Point Store Instruction May Cause an Unexpected x87 FPU

Floating-Point Error (#MF)

Problem: If a floating-point store instruction (FST or FSTP) causes an inexact-result exception

(#P) and such exceptions are unmasked, the next "waiting" x87 FPU instruction or WAIT/FWAIT instruction will incur an x87 FPU Floating-Point Error (#MF). Due to this erratum, the #MF may occur prematurely and prevent the floating-point store instruction from executing. This may occur when the logical processor is in VMX non-root operation and either (1) the "use EPT" VM-execution control is 1; or (2) the "virtual APIC accesses" VM-execution control is 1 and the store is to the APIC-access

page.

Implication: Due to this erratum, a floating-point store instruction may cause a #MF that should be

held pending until the next "waiting" x87 FPU instruction or WAIT/FWAIT instruction.

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.

AAK44. Incorrect TLB Translation May Occur After Exit From C6

Problem: Under certain conditions when C6 and two logical processors on the same core are

enabled on a processor, an instruction fetch occurring after a logical processor exits from C6 may incorrectly use the translation lookaside buffer (TLB) address mapping

belonging to the other logical processor in the processor core.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, unpredictable behavior may result.

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*.

AAK45. USB 1.1 ISOCH Audio Glitches with Intel QPI Locks and Deep C-States

Problem: An interrupt directed at a Core in C3 or C6 that collides with an Intel QPI Lock sequence

may delay ISOCH transactions to DRAM long enough to underrun USB 1.1 buffers.

Implication: USB 1.1 Audio devices may have audio glitches.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK46. Stack Pointer May Become Incorrect In Loops With Unbalanced Push

and Pop Operations

Problem: If a loop has an unbalanced number of Push and Pop operations, under a specific set of

conditions, it is possible that the stack pointer (SP/ESP/RSP) may become incorrect.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, unpredictable behavior may result. Intel has not observed

this erratum with any commercially available software.

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*.

AAK47. A P-state Change While Another Core is in C6 May Prevent Further C-

state and P-state Transitions

Problem: Under a specific set of conditions, when one core is in C6 and another core transitions

from Pn to a non-Pn ratio, further C-state and P-state changes may be blocked.

Implication: The processor may stop responding to additional requests for deeper sleep state or

ratio changes.

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*.

AAK48. Certain Store Parity Errors May Not Log Correct Address in

IA32_MCi_ADDR

Problem: When store parity errors in the Level 0 hierarchy (as defined in the LL subfield of the

IA32_MCi_STATUS MSR) occur, it is possible that the address of the error will not be

logged in IA32_MCi_ADDR MSR. The error itself will be logged properly.

Implication: The address in IA32_MCi_ADDR may be incorrect after certain store parity errors occur.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK49. xAPIC Timer May Decrement Too Quickly Following an Automatic

Reload While in Periodic Mode

Problem: When the xAPIC Timer is automatically reloaded by counting down to zero in periodic

mode, the xAPIC Timer may slip in its synchronization with the external clock. The

xAPIC timer may be shortened by up to one xAPIC timer tick.

Implication: When the xAPIC Timer is automatically reloaded by counting down to zero in periodic

mode, the xAPIC Timer may slip in its synchronization with the external clock. The

xAPIC timer may be shortened by up to one xAPIC timer tick.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK50. Certain Undefined Opcodes Crossing a Segment Limit May Result in

#UD Instead of #GP Exception

Problem: Processor may take a #UD (Invalid Opcode) exception instead of a #GP (General

Protection) exception when certain undefined opcodes (opcodes 0F 01 D0 - 0F 01 D5)

extend beyond the segment limit.

Implication: Due to this erratum, processor may not take a #GP exception in this situation.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK51. Indication of A20M Support is Inverted

Problem: The value read back from VLW_CAPABILITY MSR (1F0H) bit [1] (A20M support) is

inverted. Therefore, reading back a '1' (which should indicate A20M is supported)

actually indicates A20M is not supported, and vice versa.

Implication: Software relying on this bit to determine whether A20M feature is supported by the

processor will read back the opposite value of what is supported.

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*.

AAK52. Reported Memory Type May Not Be Used to Access the VMCS and

Referenced Data Structures

Problem: Bits 53:50 of the IA32_VMX_BASIC MSR report the memory type that the processor

uses to access the VMCS and data structures referenced by pointers in the VMCS. Due to this erratum, a VMX access to the VMCS or referenced data structures will instead use the memory type that the MTRRs (memory-type range registers) specify for the

physical address of the access.

Implication: Bits 53:50 of the IA32_VMX_BASIC MSR report that the WB (write-back) memory type

will be used but the processor may use a different memory type.

Workaround: Software should ensure that the VMCS and referenced data structures are located at

physical addresses that are mapped to WB memory type by the MTRRs.

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

AAK53. After VM Entry, Instructions May Incorrectly Operate as if CS.D=0

Problem: If bit 13 (L) and bit 14 (D/B) of the guest CS access rights field in the VMCS are both 1

and VM entry takes the processor out of IA-32e mode, instructions executed after VM

entry may operate as if CS.D=0.

Implication: Instructions executed after VM entry may use the wrong operation size. Intel has not

observed this erratum with any commercially available system.

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.

AAK54. An Intel QPI Link in a DP Configuration May Hang Due to Flit

Prioritization

Problem: Problem: In a dual-processor (DP) configuration, if an Intel QPI (Intel® QPI) link

master initiates the transition from any other state to L1, while the Link Level Retry (LLR) buffer of the Intel QPI link slave is full, a priority conflict between flits occurs. To begin the state transition, the Intel QPI master sends the Enter.L1 flit. The Intel QPI link slave sends an LLR.Idle flit because the LLR buffer is full and because it has higher priority than an L1.Ack/Nack flit. As a result, the Intel QPI link slave will never send the

L1 Ack/Nack flit necessary to complete the transition to the L1 state.

Implication: When a flit prioritization issue occurs, the Intel QPI master does not receive an

acknowledgment to its request to transition the link to the L1 state. As a result, the link

is unable to make forward progress and hangs.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK55. Spurious Machine Check Error May Occur When Logical Processor is

Woken Up

Problem: The first time a logical processor is woken up after power on (including resume from

system sleep states) an Internal Parity Error may be detected and logged when no real

parity error occurred.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, a spurious Internal Parity Error may be logged. However, no

machine check exception will be signaled in this case.

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*.



AAK56. B0-B3 Bits in DR6 For Non-Enabled Breakpoints May be Incorrectly Set

Problem: Some of the B0-B3 bits (breakpoint conditions detect flags, bits [3:0]) in DR6 may be incorrectly set for non-enabled breakpoints when the following sequence happens:

1. MOV or POP instruction to SS (Stack Segment) selector;

2. Next instruction is FP (Floating Point) that gets FP assist

3. Another instruction after the FP instruction completes successfully

4. A breakpoint occurs due to either a data breakpoint on the preceding instruction or

a code breakpoint on the next instruction.

Due to this erratum a non-enabled breakpoint triggered on step 1 or step 2 may be

reported in B0-B3 after the breakpoint occurs in step 4.

Implication: Due to this erratum, B0-B3 bits in DR6 may be incorrectly set for non-enabled

breakpoints.

Workaround: Software should not execute a floating point instruction directly after a MOV SS or POP

SS instruction.

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

AAK57. Core C6 May Clear Previously Logged TLB Errors

Problem: Following an exit from core C6, previously logged TLB (Translation Lookaside Buffer)

errors in IA32_MCi_STATUS may be cleared.

Implication: Due to this erratum, TLB errors logged in the associated machine check bank prior to

core C6 entry may be cleared. Provided machine check exceptions are enabled, the machine check exception handler can log any uncorrectable TLB errors prior to core C6

entry. The TLB marks all detected errors as uncorrectable.

Workaround: As long as machine check exceptions are enabled, the machine check exception

handler can log the TLB error prior to core C6 entry. This will ensure the error is logged

before it is cleared.

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

AAK58. Processor May Hang When Two Logical Processors Are in Specific Low

Power States

Problem: When two logical processors in a physical core have entered the C1 and C6 idle states

respectively, it is possible that the processor may hang and log a machine check error with IA32_MCi_STATUS.MCACOD = 0x0106. The error does not occur when either core

has entered C3 or when both logical processors enter the same idle state.

Implication: Due to this erratum, a hang may occur and a machine check may be logged while two

logical processors are in a low power state.

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*.

AAK59. MOVNTDQA From WC Memory May Pass Earlier Locked Instructions

Problem: An execution of MOVNTDQA that loads from WC (write combining) memory may appear

to pass an earlier locked instruction to a different cache line.

Implication: Software that expects a lock to fence subsequent MOVNTDQA instructions may not

operate properly. If the software does not rely on locked instructions to fence the

subsequent execution of MOVNTDQA then this erratum does not apply.



Workaround: Software that requires a locked instruction to fence subsequent executions of

MOVNTDQA should insert an LFENCE instruction before the first execution of MOVNTDQA following the locked instruction. If there is already a fencing or serializing instruction between the locked instruction and the MOVNTDQA, then an additional

LFENCE is not necessary.

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

AAK60. Performance Monitor Event MISALIGN_MEM_REF May Over Count

Problem: The MISALIGN_MEM_REF Performance Monitoring (Event 05H) may over count

memory misalignment events, possibly by orders of magnitude.

Implication: Software relying on MISALIGN_MEM_REF to count cache line splits for optimization

purposes may read excessive number of memory misalignment events.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK61. Changing the Memory Type for an In-Use Page Translation May Lead

to Memory-Ordering Violations

Problem: Under complex microarchitectural conditions, if software changes the memory type for

data being actively used and shared by multiple threads without the use of semaphores

or barriers, software may see load operations execute out of order.

Implication: Memory ordering may be violated. Intel has not observed this erratum with any

commercially available software.

Workaround: Software should ensure pages are not being actively used before requesting their

memory type be changed.

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

AAK62. Writes to IA32_CR_PAT or IA32_EFER MSR May Cause an Incorrect

ITLB Translation

Problem: Under certain conditions, writes to IA32_CR_PAT (277H) or IA32_EFER (C0000080H)

MSRs may result in an incorrect ITLB (instruction translation lookaside buffer)

translation.

Implication: Due this erratum, unpredictable system behavior 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*.

AAK63. The "Virtualize APIC Accesses" VM-Execution Control May be Ignored

Problem: If a VM exit occurs while the "virtualize APIC accesses" and "enable VPID" VM-

execution controls are both 1 and the VM-exit MSR-store count is not 0, the logical processor may operate as if the "virtualize APIC accesses" VM-execution control was 0

following a subsequent VM entry.

Implication: This erratum may prevent VMM software from virtualizing memory-mapped APIC

accesses if it is using VPIDs (virtual-processor identifiers) and is saving MSRs on VM

exits.

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*.



AAK64. In Memory Lockstep Mode Per DIMM Correctable ECC Errors Are

Logged Incorrectly

Problem: In lockstep mode, if a correctable ECC error occurs on DIMMx of one DDR3 channel, the

corrected error count, MC_COR_ECC_CNT {0, 1, 2, 3} will be incremented on both channels for that DIMM, instead of just the channel and DIMM on which the error has

occurred.

Implication: Neither MC_COR_ECC_CNT {0, 1, 2, 3} nor IA32_MCi_MISC Channel/DIMM fields can

be used to determine which channel and DIMM the error occurred on.

Workaround: Information logged into IA32_MCi_MISC syndrome field can be used to decode and

identify the actual failing DIMM.

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

AAK65. C6 Transitions May Cause Spurious Updates to the xAPIC Error Status

Register

Problem: If any of the LVT entries are not initialized, reads from xAPIC Error Status Register

following a C6 transition may report a spurious illegal vector received.

Implication: Due to this erratum, reads to xAPIC Error Status Register may report illegal vector

received when none was actually received.

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*.

AAK66. Critical ISOCH Traffic May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior When

Write Major Mode Enabled

Problem: Under a specific set of conditions, critical ISOCH (isochronous) traffic may cause

unpredictable system behavior with write major mode enabled.

Implication: Due to this erratum unpredictable system behavior may occur.

Workaround: Write major mode must be disabled in the BIOS by writing the write major mode

threshold value to its maximum value of 1FH in ISOCHEXITTRESHOLD bits [19:15], ISOCHENTRYTHRESHOLD bits [14:10], WMENTRYTHRESHOLD bits [9:5], and WMEXITTHRESHOLD bits [4:0] of the MC_CHANNEL_ $\{0,1,2\}$ _WAQ_PARAMS register.

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

AAK67. Running with Write Major Mode Disabled May Lead to a System Hang

Problem: With write major mode disabled, reads will be favored over writes and under certain

circumstances this can lead to a system hang.

Implication: Due to this erratum a 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*.

AAK68. Memory Controller Address Parity Error Injection Does Not Work

Correctly

Problem: When MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_ECC_ERROR_INJECT_INJECT_ADDR_PARITY bit [4] = 1

an error may be injected on any command on the channel and not just RD or WR CAS

commands that match MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_ADDR_MATCH.

Implication: Address parity error injection cannot be used to reliably target a DIMM or memory

location within a channel. When the address parity errors occur, the IA32_MCi_MISC register reflects the DIMM ID of the DIMM that detected error and not necessarily the

DIMM that was targeted by the error injection settings.



Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK69. Memory Controller Opportunistic Refreshes Might be Missed

Problem: If a system meets all 3 conditions below, opportunistic refresh capability might be

degraded.

 2x refresh enabled and opportunistic refreshes enabled through tTHROT_OPPREFRESH field in the MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_REFRESH_TIMING

2. DDR3-800 DIMMS or DDR3-1066 DIMMS with tREFI value programmed more than

5% lower than the nominal value

3. More than 2 DIMMs populated

Implication: Due to this erratum, a corner condition can cause a persistent degradation of

opportunistic refresh capability.

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*.

AAK70. Delivery of Certain Events Immediately Following a VM Exit May Push

a Corrupted RIP Onto The Stack

Problem: If any of the following events is delivered immediately following a VM exit to 64-bit

mode from outside 64-bit mode, bits 63:32 of the RIP value pushed on the stack may

be cleared to 0:

A non-maskable interrupt (NMI);

2. A machine-check exception (#MC);

3. A page fault (#PF) during instruction fetch; or

4. A general-protection exception (#GP) due to an attempt to decode an instruction

whose length is greater than 15 bytes.

Implication: Unexpected behavior may occur due to the incorrect value of the RIP on the stack.

Specifically, return from the event handler via IRET may encounter an unexpected page

fault or may begin fetching from an unexpected code address.

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*.

AAK71. The Combination of a Bus Lock and a Data Access That is Split Across

Page Boundaries May Lead to Processor Livelock

Problem: Under certain complex micro-architectural conditions, the coincidence of a bus lock

initiated by one logical processor of an Intel® Hyper-Threading Technology (Intel® HT Technology) enabled processor core and data accesses that are split across page boundaries, initiated on the other logical processor on the same core, may lead to

processor livelock.

Implication: Due to this erratum, a livelock may occur that can only be terminated by a processor

reset. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: None identified.



AAK72. CPUID Instruction Returns Incorrect Brand String

Problem: When a CPUID instruction is executed with EAX = 80000002H, 80000003H and

80000004H, the return values will contain the brand string with an additional zero between the processor number and the @ symbol. (For example: Intel® Xeon® CPU

nnn0 @ x.xx GHz where nnn is a processor number and x.xx is the frequency)

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the processor will report the incorrect brand string.

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*.

AAK73. An Unexpected Page Fault May Occur Following the Unmapping and

Re-mapping of a Page

Problem: An unexpected page fault (#PF) may occur for a page under the following conditions:

The paging structures initially specify a valid translation for the page.

• Software modifies the paging structures so that there is no valid translation for the page (for example, by clearing to 0 the present bit in one of the paging-structure entries used to translate the page).

• Software later modifies the paging structures so that the translation is again a valid translation for the page (e.g., by setting to 1 the bit that was cleared earlier).

• A subsequent instruction loads from a linear address on the page.

• Software did not invalidate TLB entries for the page between the first modification of the paging structures and the load from the linear address.

In this case, the load bye the later instruction may cause a page fault that indicates that there is no translation for the page.

Implication: Software may see an unexpected page fault that indicates that there is no translation

for the page.

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*.

AAK74. Infinite Stream of Interrupts May Occur if an ExtINT Delivery Mode

Interrupt is Received while All Cores in C6

Problem: If all logical processors in a core are in C6, an ExtINT delivery mode interrupt is

pending in the xAPIC and interrupts are blocked with EFLAGS.IF=0, the interrupt will be processed after C6 wakeup and after interrupts are re-enabled (EFLAGS.IF=1).

However, the pending interrupt event will not be cleared.

Implication: Due to this erratum, an infinite stream of interrupts will occur on the core servicing the

external interrupt. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available

software/system.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK75. Two xAPIC Timer Event Interrupts May Unexpectedly Occur

Problem: If an xAPIC timer event is enabled and while counting down the current count reaches

1 at the same time that the processor thread begins a transition to a low power C-state, the xAPIC may generate two interrupts instead of the expected one when the

processor returns to CO.

Implication: Due to this erratum, two interrupts may unexpectedly be generated by an xAPIC timer

event.

Workaround: None identified.



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

AAK76. EOI Transaction May Not be Sent if Software Enters Core C6 During an

Interrupt Service Routine

Problem: If core C6 is entered after the start of an interrupt service routine but before a write to

the APIC EOI (End of Interrupt) register, and the core is woken up by an event other than a fixed interrupt source the core may drop the EOI transaction the next time APIC EOI register is written and further interrupts from the same or lower priority level will

be blocked.

Implication: EOI transactions and interrupts may be blocked when core C6 is used during interrupt

service routines.

Workaround: Software should check the ISR register and if any interrupts are in service only

enter C1.

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

AAK77. FREEZE_WHILE_SMM Does Not Prevent Event From Pending PEBS

During SMM

Problem: In general, a PEBS record should be generated on the first count of the event after the

counter has overflowed. However, IA32_DEBUGCTL_MSR.FREEZE_WHILE_SMM (MSR 1D9H, bit [14]) prevents performance counters from counting during SMM (System

Management Mode). Due to this erratum, if

1. A performance counter overflowed before an SMI

2. A PEBS record has not yet been generated because another count of the event has

not occurred

3. The monitored event occurs during SMM

then a PEBS record will be saved after the next RSM instruction.

When FREEZE_WHILE_SMM is set, a PEBS should not be generated until the event

occurs outside of SMM.

Implication: A PEBS record may be saved after an RSM instruction due to the associated

performance counter detecting the monitored event during SMM; even when

FREEZE_WHILE_SMM is set.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK78. PEBS Records For Load Latency Monitoring May Contain an Incorrect

Linear Address

Problem: The load latency performance monitoring feature stores information about a load into a

record in the PEBS (Precise event-based sampling) buffer in the DS save area. This information includes the Data Source Encoding, Latency Value, and Data Linear Address of the load causing the performance counter to overflow. Under certain

conditions it is possible for the linear address to be incorrect.

Implication: The linear address reported by the load latency performance monitoring feature for

PEBS may be incorrect.

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



AAK79. PEBS Field "Data Linear Address" is Not Sign Extended to 64 Bits

Problem: The Data Linear Address field of the PEBS (Precise Event-Based Sampling) record is not

correctly sign extended to 64 bits and may appear as a non-canonical address when

observed in the PEBS record.

Implication: The PEBS Data Linear Address field may not have the sign bit correctly extended to bits

[63:48].

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*.

AAK80. Core C6 May Not Operate Correctly in the Presence of Bus Locks

Problem: The processor state may be incorrect after core C6 exit if system bus locks are in

progress at the time of core C6 entry.

Implication: The processor may begin fetching from the wrong address or have incorrect state after

an exit from core C6.

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*.

AAK81. USB 1.1 ISOCH Audio Glitches With Intel QPI L1 and Package C6 in a

DP Configuration

Problem: In a DP (dual-processor) configuration, when packages are entering package C6, if an

Intel QPI link master initiates the transition from any other state to L1 while the other Intel QPI link master exits from L1, a partial serialization of Intel QPI L1 exit latencies

occurs which may cause audio glitches.

Implication: USB 1.1 Audio devices may have audio glitches.

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*.

AAK82. Intel® Turbo Boost Technology May be Limited Immediately After

Package C-state Exit with Intel QPI L1 Mode Disabled

Problem: If the processor is resident in package C3 or C6 for greater than 100 ms and Intel QPI

link L1 mode is disabled, it is possible for Turbo Boost input parameters to be incorrect. As a result, on exit from the package C-state the processor may not enter Intel Turbo

Boost Technology for up to 2 ms.

Implication: Intel Turbo Boost Technology may be limited after exiting a package C-state (C3 and

C6) that lasted longer than 100 ms.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK83. APIC Error "Received Illegal Vector" May be Lost

Problem: APIC (Advanced Programmable Interrupt Controller) may not update the ESR (Error

Status Register) flag Received Illegal Vector bit [6] properly when an illegal vector error is received on the same internal clock that the ESR is being written (as part of the write-read ESR access flow). The corresponding error interrupt will also not be

generated for this case.

Implication: Due to this erratum, an incoming illegal vector error may not be logged into ESR

properly and may not generate an error interrupt.

Workaround: None identified.



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

AAK84. CPUID Incorrectly Indicates the UnHalted Reference Cycle

Architectural Event is Supported

Problem: The architectural performance monitoring event for UnHalted Reference Cycles (3CH,

Umask 01H) is not supported on the processor. The CPUID instruction, when executed with EAX = 0AH, should return bit 2 of EBX as 1 to indicate that this event is not

supported. Due to this erratum, CPUID will improperly return bit 2 as 0.

Implication: Software relying on the CPUID instruction to determine support of the UnHalted

Reference Cycles event will incorrectly assume the event is available.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK85. Architectural Performance Monitor Event 'Branch Misses Retired' is

Counted Incorrectly

Problem: The Architectural Performance Monitor Event 'branch misses retired' (Event C5H) is not

counted correctly and may result in an under count or an over count.

Implication: The Architectural Performance Monitor Event 'branch misses retired' will not show

accurate results when counted.

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

CPUID that this event is not available.

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

AAK86. DR6.B0-B3 May Not Report All Breakpoints Matched When a MOV/POP

SS is Followed by a Store Instruction

Problem: Normally, data breakpoints matches that occur on a MOV SS, r/m or POP SS will not

cause a debug exception immediately after MOV/POP SS but will be delayed until the instruction boundary following the next instruction is reached. After the debug exception occurs, DR6.B0-B3 bits will contain information about data breakpoints matched during the MOV/POP SS as well as breakpoints detected by the following instruction. Due to this erratum, DR6.B0-B3 bits may not contain information about data breakpoints matched during the MOV/POP SS when the following instruction is a

store instruction.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, DR6 may not contain information about all breakpoints

matched. This erratum will not be observed under the recommended usage of the MOV SS,r/m or POP SS instructions (that is, following them only with an instruction that

writes (E/R)SP).

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK87. An Uncorrectable Error Logged in IA32_CR_MC2_STATUS May also

Result in a System Hang

Problem: Uncorrectable errors logged in IA32_CR_MC2_STATUS MSR (409H) may also result in a

system hang causing an Internal Timer Error (MCACOD = 0x0400h) to be logged in

another machine check bank (IA32_MCi_STATUS).

Implication: Uncorrectable errors logged in IA32_CR_MC2_STATUS can further cause a system hang

and an Internal Timer Error to be logged.

Workaround: None identified.



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

AAK88. IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR May be Incorrectly Initialized

Problem: The IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR (38FH) bits [34:32] may be incorrectly set to 7H

after reset; the correct value should be OH.

Implication: The IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR bits [34:32] may be incorrect after reset

(EN_FIXED_CTR{0, 1, 2} may be enabled).

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK89. ECC Errors Can Not be Injected on Back-to-Back Writes

Problem: ECC errors should be injected on every write that matches the address set in the

MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_ADDR_MATCH CSRs. Due to this erratum if there are two back-to-back writes that match MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_ADDR_MATCH, the 2nd write will not

have the error injected.

Implication: The 2nd back-to-back write that matches MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_ADDR_MATCH will

not have the ECC error properly injected. Setting

MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_ADDR_MATCH to a specific address will reduce the chance of

being impacted by this erratum.

Workaround: Only injecting errors to specific address should reduce the chance on being impacted by

this erratum.

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

AAK90. Performance Monitor Interrupts Generated From Uncore Fixed

Counters (394H) May be Ignored

Problem: Performance monitor interrupts (PMI's) from Uncore fixed counters are ignored when

Uncore general performance monitor counters 3B0H-3BFH are not programmed.

Implication: This erratum blocks a usage model in which each of the cores can sample its own

performance monitor events synchronously based on single interrupt from the Uncore.

Workaround: Program any one of the Uncore general performance monitor counters with a valid

performance monitor event and enable the event by setting the local enable bit in the corresponding performance monitor event select MSR. For the usage model where no counting is desired, program that Uncore general performance counter's global enable

bit to be zero.

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

AAK91. Processors with SMT May Hang on P-State Transition or ACPI Clock

Modulation Throttling

Problem: When SMT is enabled, it is possible that a P-state transition or ACPI clock modulation

throttling may hang and log a machine check error with IA32_MCi_STATUS.MCACOD = 0x0150. This hang condition requires a specific sequence of instructions coincident with

the P-state or ACPI event.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the processor will unexpectedly hang. Intel has not

observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: None identified.



AAK92. Performance Monitor Counter MEM_INST_RETIRED.STORES May

Count Higher than Expected

Problem: Performance Monitoring counter MEM_INST_RETIRED.STORES (Event: 0BH, Umask:

02H) is used to track retired instructions which contain a store operation. Due to this erratum, the processor may also count other types of instructions including WRMSR

and MFENCE.

Implication: Performance Monitoring counter MEM_INST_RETIRED.STORES may report counts

higher than expected.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK93. Sleeping Cores May Not be Woken Up on Logical Cluster Mode

Broadcast IPI Using Destination Field Instead of Shorthand

Problem: If software sends a logical cluster broadcast IPI using a destination shorthand of OOB

(No Shorthand) and writes the cluster portion of the Destination Field of the Interrupt Command Register to all ones while not using all 1s in the mask portion of the Destination Field, target cores in a sleep state that are identified by the mask portion of the Destination Field may not be woken up. This erratum does not occur if the destination shorthand is set to 10B (All Including Self) or 11B (All Excluding Self).

Implication: When this erratum occurs, cores which are in a sleep state may not wake up to handle

the broadcast IPI. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available

software.

Workaround: Use destination shorthand of 10B or 11B to send broadcast IPIs.

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

AAK94. Faulting Executions of FXRSTOR May Update State Inconsistently

Problem: The state updated by a faulting FXRSTOR instruction may vary from one execution to

another.

Implication: Software that relies on x87 state or SSE state following a faulting execution of

FXRSTOR may behave inconsistently.

Workaround: Software handling a fault on an execution of FXRSTOR can compensate for execution

variability by correcting the cause of the fault and executing FXRSTOR again.

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

AAK95. Failing DIMM ID May be Incorrect in the 2DPC Configuration When

Mirroring is Enabled

Problem: When redundancy is lost in the 2DPC (2 DIMMs Per Channel) configuration,

MC_SMI_SPARE_DIMM_ERROR_STATUS CSR bits [13:12] (REDUNDANCY_LOSS_FAILING_DIMM) may indicate the incorrect failing DIMM ID. The 2DPC configuration is indicated when MC_CHANNEL_{0,1}_DIMM_INIT_PARAMS CSR

bit [24] (THREE_DIMMS_PRESENT) is 0.

Implication: The failing DIMM ID may be reported incorrectly in the 2DPC configuration when

mirroring is enabled. The 3DPC configuration is not affected.

Workaround: Only use the value in bit [13] to determine the failing DIMM ID in the non-3PDC

configurations when mirroring is enabled. This workaround will show correct results for

both the 1DPC and 2DPC configurations.



AAK96. ISSUEONCE Bit in MC_SCRUB_CONTROL Register Does Not Work

Correctly

Problem: When ISSUEONCE (bit [25]) in the MC_SCRUB_CONTROL register (Device 3, Function

2, Offset 4CH) is set, the memory controller should issue one patrol scrub. Due to this

erratum, scrubbing requests continue to be issued.

Implication: ISSUEONCE bit in MC_SCRUB_CONTROL register does not work correctly.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK97. Unexpected Intel QPI Link Behavior May Occur When a CRC Error

Happens During LOs

Problem: When an Intel QPI agent requests LOs entry while a CRC (Cyclic Redundancy Check)

error occurs during this flit or on the flit just before it, the requesting Intel QPI agent may enter LOs and turn its drivers off. During this time noise on the link may be interpreted as an Intel QPI command by the remote Intel QPI agent, and may result in

unexpected behavior.

Implication: Unexpected Intel QPI link behavior may occur when CRC error happens on or just

before LOs entry request.

Workaround: Disable LOs.

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

AAK98. Performance Monitor Event EPT.EPDPE_MISS May be Counted While

EPT is Disabled

Problem: Performance monitor event EPT.EPDPE_MISS (Event: 4FH, Umask: 08H) is used to

count Page Directory Pointer table misses while EPT (extended page tables) is enabled. Due to this erratum, the processor will count Page Directory Pointer table misses

regardless of whether EPT is enabled or not.

Implication: Due to this erratum, performance monitor event EPT.EPDPE_MISS may report counts

higher than expected.

Workaround: Software should ensure this event is only enabled while in EPT mode.

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

AAK99. Intel® QuickPath Interconnect Memory Controller Operating In

Lockstep Mode May Deliver Incorrect Data on Exiting Package C3 or

C6 State

Problem: If a processor exits from package C3 or C6 state, while operating in lockstep memory

channel mode [for example, Bit 1 set in MC_RAS_ENABLES (Device 3; Function 2; Offset 50h)], Intel® QuickPath Interconnect Memory Controller memory accesses may

result in incorrect data.

Implication: Occurrence of this erratum may result in loss of lockstep between memory channels,

generation of an uncorrectable ECC DRAM machine check error and unpredictable

system behavior.

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



AAK100. Performance Monitor Counters May Count Incorrectly

Problem: Under certain circumstances, a general purpose performance counter, IA32_PMC0-4

(C1H - C4H), may count at core frequency or not count at all instead of counting the

programmed event.

Implication: The Performance Monitor Counter IA32_PMCx may not properly count the programmed

event. Due to the requirements of the workaround there may be an interruption in the counting of a previously programmed event during the programming of a new event.

Workaround: Before programming the performance event select registers, IA32_PERFEVTSELx MSR

(186H – 189H), the internal monitoring hardware must be cleared. This is accomplished by first disabling, saving valid events and clearing from the select registers, then programming three event values 0x4300D2, 0x4300B1 and 0x4300B5 into the IA32_PERFEVTSELx MSRs, and finally continuing with new event programming and restoring previous programming if necessary. Each performance counter, IA32_PMCx, must have its corresponding IA32_PREFEVTSELx MSR programmed with at least one of the event values and must be enabled in IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR (38FH) bits [3:0]. All three values must be written to either the same or different IA32_PERFEVTSELx MSRs before programming the performance counters. Note that the performance counter will not increment when its IA32_PERFEVTSELx MSR has a value of 0x4300D2, 0x4300B1 or 0x4300B5 because those values have a zero UMASK

field (bits [15:8]).

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

AAK101. Memory Thermal Throttling May Not Work as Expected in Lockstep

Channel Mode

Problem: Thermal Throttling on a channel that is in lockstep mode affects all channels in order to

maintain lockstep requirements. If throttling parameters are modified at different times during runtime, throttling on one channel is likely to be out of phase with throttling on other channels. Throttling which is out of phase will result in more throttling than anticipated. If the throttling duty cycle exceeds 50%, certain phase relationships can

result in persistent memory traffic blockage.

Implication: Runtime modification of throttling parameters may result in a system hang.

Workaround: Since Thermal Throttling on one channel affects all channels while in lockstep mode,

throttling should only be applied to one channel.

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

AAK102. Processor Forward Progress Mechanism Interacting With Certain

MSR/CSR Writes May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior

Problem: Under specific internal conditions, a mechanism within the processor to ensure forward

progress may interact with writes to a limited set of MSRs/CSRs and consequently may

lead to unpredictable system behavior.

Implication: This erratum may cause unpredictable system behavior.

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*.

AAK103. USB 1.1 Isoch Memory Latencies May Increase During Package C3/C6

Transitions

Problem: USB 1.1 Isoch memory response latencies may increase during package C3/C6

transitions due to non-optimal C3/C6 Exit operation.



Implication: Increased Isoch latencies may cause perturbations in system operation (for example,

audio glitches).

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*.

AAK104. Processor May Incorrectly Demote Processor C6 State to a C3 State

Problem: The auto demotion feature on the processor demotes processor C6 C-state requests to

C3 in a more aggressive manner than expected, leading to low C6 residency.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the system may exhibit higher than expected idle power due to

low C6 residency.

Workaround: It possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum. Status: For the steppings affected, see the *Summary Tables of Changes*.

AAK105. Performance Monitor Event Offcore_response_0 (B7H) Does Not

Count NT Stores to Local DRAM Correctly

Problem: When a IA32_PERFEVTSELx MSR is programmed to count the Offcore_response_0

event (Event: B7H), selections in the OFFCORE_RSP_0 MSR (1A6H) determine what is counted. The following two selections do not provide accurate counts when counting NT

(Non-Temporal) Stores:

• OFFCORE_RSP_0 MSR bit [14] is set to 1 (LOCAL_DRAM) and bit [7] is set to 1 (OTHER): NT Stores to Local DRAM are not counted when they should have been.

OFFCORE_RSP_0 MSR bit [9] is set to (OTHER_CORE_HIT_SNOOP) and bit [7] is set to 1 (OTHER): NT Stores to Local DRAM are counted when they should not have

been.

Implication: The counter for the Offcore_response_0 event may be incorrect for NT stores.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK106. EFLAGS Discrepancy on Page Faults and on EPT-Induced VM Exits

after a Translation Change

Problem: This erratum is regarding the case where paging structures are modified to change a

linear address from writable to non-writable without software performing an appropriate TLB invalidation. When a subsequent access to that address by a specific instruction (ADD, AND, BTC, BTR, BTS, CMPXCHG, DEC, INC, NEG, NOT, OR, ROL/ROR, SAL/SAR/SHL/SHR, SHLD, SHRD, SUB, XOR, and XADD) causes a page fault or an EPT-induced VM exit, the value saved for EFLAGS may incorrectly contain the arithmetic flag values that the EFLAGS register would have held had the instruction completed without fault or VM exit. For page faults, this can occur even if the fault causes a VM exit or if

its delivery causes a nested fault.

Implication: None identified. Although the EFLAGS value saved by an affected event (a page fault or

an EPT-induced VM exit) may contain incorrect arithmetic flag values, Intel has not identified software that is affected by this erratum. This erratum will have no further effects once the original instruction is restarted because the instruction will produce the

same results as if it had initially completed without fault or VM exit.

Workaround: If the handler of the affected events inspects the arithmetic portion of the saved

EFLAGS value, then system software should perform a synchronized paging structure

modification and TLB invalidation.



AAK107. Persistent Stream of Correctable Memory ECC Errors May Disable the

Scrubbing Engine

Problem: Under a persistent stream of correctable memory ECC errors, a demand scrub

conflicting with a patrol scrub operation may result in the disabling of the scrubbing engine. Intel has only observed this erratum in an artificial system environment in

which ECC errors are being continuously injected.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, demand and patrol scrubbing are disabled until the next

system reset.

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

detects a persistent stream of correctable memory ECC errors and disables demand

scrubbing only while keeping patrol scrubbing enabled.

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

AAK108. System May Hang if

MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_MC_DIMM_INIT_CMD.DO_ZQCL Commands

Are Not Issued in Increasing Populated DDR3 Rank Order

Problem: ZQCL commands are used during initialization to calibrate DDR3 termination. A ZQCL

command can be issued by writing 1 to the MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_MC_DIMM_INIT_CMD.DO_ZQCL (Device 4,5,6, Function 0, Offset 15, bit[15]) field and it targets the DDR3 rank specified in the RANK field (bits[7:5]) of the same register. If the ZQCL commands are not issued in increasing populated rank order then ZQ calibration may not complete, causing the system to

hang.

Implication: Due to this erratum the system may hang if writes to the

MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_MC_DIMM_INIT_CMD.DO_ZQCL field are not in increasing

populated DDR3 rank order.

Workaround: It is possible for Intel provided BIOS reference code to contain a workaround for this

erratum. Please refer to the latest version of BIOS Memory Reference Code and release

notes.

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

AAK109. LER and LBR MSRs May Be Incorrectly Updated During a Task Switch

Problem: LER (Last Exception Record) and LBR (Last Brand Record) MSRs (MSR_LER_FROM_LIP

(1DDH), MSR_LER_TO_LIP (1DEH) and MSR_LASTBRANCH $\{0:15\}$ _FROM_IP (680H -

68FH)) may contain incorrect values after a fault or trap that does a task switch.

Implication: After a task switch the value of the LER and LBR MSRs may be updated to point to

incorrect instructions.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK110. Virtualized WRMSR to the IA32_EXT_XAPIC_TPR MSR Uses Incorrect

Value for TPR Threshold

Problem: If the "virtualize x2APIC mode" VM-execution control is 1, an attempt to write to the

IA32_EXT_XAPIC_TPR MSR (808H) using the WRMSR instruction should cause a traplike VM exit if it reduces the value of the TPR shadow below that of the TPR threshold VM-execution control field. Due to this erratum, such a VM exit may fail to occur when specified. In addition, such a VM exit may occur even if the TPR shadow is not reduced

below the TPR threshold.



Implication: Failure to cause the specified VM exits may prevent a virtual-machine monitor (VMM)

from delivering virtual interrupts in a timely manner. Generation of incorrect VM exits

may cause a VMM to deliver virtual interrupts to a guest prematurely.

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*.

AAK111. Back to Back Uncorrected Machine Check Errors May Overwrite

IA32_MC3_STATUS.MSCOD

Problem: When back-to-back uncorrected machine check errors occur that would both be logged

in the IA32_MC3_STATUS MSR (40CH), the IA32_MC3_STATUS.MSCOD (bits [31:16]) field may reflect the status of the most recent error and not the first error. The rest of

the IA32_MC3_STATUS MSR contains the information from the first error.

Implication: Software should not rely on the value of IA32_MC3_STATUS.MSCOD if

IA32_MC3_STATUS.OVER (bit [62]) is set.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK112. Memory Intensive Workloads with Core C6 Transitions May Cause

System Hang

Problem: Under a complex set of internal conditions, a system running a high cache stress and I/

O workload combined with the presence of frequent core C6 transitions may result in a

system hang.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the system may hang.

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.

AAK113. Corrected Errors With a Yellow Error Indication May be Overwritten by

Other Corrected Errors

Problem: A corrected cache hierarchy data or tag error that is reported with

IA32_MCi_STATUS.MCACOD (bits [15:0]) with value of $000x_0001_xxxxx_xx01$ (where x stands for zero or one) and a yellow threshold-based error status indication (bits [54:53] equal to 10B) may be overwritten by a corrected error with a no tracking

indication (00B) or green indication (01B).

Implication: Corrected errors with a yellow threshold-based error status indication may be

overwritten by a corrected error without a yellow indication.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK114. PSI# Signal May Incorrectly be Left Asserted

Problem: When some of the cores in the processor are in C3/C6 state, the PSI# (Power Status

Indicator) signal may incorrectly be left asserted when another core makes a frequency change request without changing the operating voltage. Since this erratum results in a possible maximum core current greater than the PSI# threshold of 20A, PSI# should

have been de-asserted.

Implication: Due to this erratum, platform voltage regulator tolerances may be exceeded and a

subsequent system reset may occur.

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



AAK115. A Patrol Scrub Operation Conflicting with a Memory Self Refresh

Request May Result in a System Hang

Problem: A memory patrol scrub operation during a memory self refresh request may result in a

machine check being logged in IA32_MC7_STATUS.MCACOD (bits [15:0]) with value

0000_0000_0000_0001 and a subsequent system hang.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the system may encounter a machine check and subsequently

hang.

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*.

AAK116. A String Instruction that Re-maps a Page May Encounter an Unexpected Page Fault

An unexpected page fault (#PF) may occur for a page under the following conditions:

• The paging structures initially specify a valid translation for the page.

• Software modifies the paging structures so that there is no valid translation for the page (e.g., by clearing to 0 the present bit in one of the paging-structure entries used to translate the page).

• An iteration of a string instruction modifies the paging structures so that the translation is again a valid translation for the page (for example, by setting to 1 the bit that was cleared earlier).

 A later iteration of the same string instruction loads from a linear address on the page.

Problem: Software did not invalidate TLB entries for the page between the first modification of

the paging structures and the string instruction. In this case, the load in the later iteration may cause a page fault that indicates that there is no translation for the page (for example, with bit 0 clear in the page-fault error code, indicating that the fault was

caused by a not-present page).

Implication: Software may see an unexpected page fault that indicates that there is no translation

for the page. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available

software or system.

Workaround: Software should not update the paging structures with a string instruction that

accesses pages mapped the modified paging structures.

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

AAK117. Lockstep Memory Configurations May Not Operate Correctly With

Package C3/C6 States Enabled

Problem: In a system with package C3/C6 states enabled, memory lockstep configurations may

not operate correctly.

Implication: Lockstep capability may be lost and uncorrectable memory ECC errors may be

erroneously reported.

Workaround: It is possible for the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum. Package C3/C6

states will be disabled if memory lockstep is enabled. There may be an increase in

power consumption due to this workaround.



AAK118. Memory ECC Errors May be Observed When a UC Partial Write is

Followed by a UC Read to the Same Location

Problem: Memory ECC errors may be observed when an uncacheable partial write is closely

followed by an uncacheable read to the same location. This erratum will only occur if the BIOS is configured to use Closed_Page memory mode (Bit 0 of MC_CONTROL

register Device 3 Function 0 Offset 48H set to 1).

Implication: Correctable and Uncorrectable ECC errors may be logged in the IA32_MCi_Status

registers.

Workaround: A BIOS workaround has been identified. Please refer to the latest version of BIOS

Memory Reference Code and release notes.

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

AAK119. Performance Monitor Events DCACHE_CACHE_LD and

DCACHE_CACHE_ST May Overcount

Problem: The performance monitor events DCACHE_CACHE_LD (Event 40H) and

DCACHE_CACHE_ST (Event 41h) count cacheable loads and stores that hit the L1 cache. Due to this erratum, in addition to counting the completed loads and stores, the counter will incorrectly count speculative loads and stores that were aborted prior to

completion.

Implication: The performance monitor events DCACHE_CACHE_LD and DCACHE_CACHE_ST may

reflect a count higher than the actual number of events.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK120. Rapid Core C3/C6 Transition May Cause Unpredictable System

Behavior

Problem: Under a complex set of internal conditions, cores rapidly performing C3/C6 transitions

in a system with Intel® Hyper-Threading Technology enabled may cause a machine check error (IA32_MCi_STATUS.MCACOD = 0x0106), system hang or unpredictable

system behavior.

Implication: This erratum may cause a machine check error, system hang or unpredictable system

behavior.

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*.

AAK121. Performance Monitor Events INSTR_RETIRED and

MEM_INST_RETIRED May Count Inaccurately

Problem: The performance monitor event INSTR_RETIRED (Event COH) should count the number

of instructions retired, and MEM_INST_ RETIRED (Event 0BH) should count the number of load or store instructions retired. However, due to this erratum, they may

undercount.

Implication: The performance monitor event INSTR RETIRED and MEM INST RETIRED may reflect

a count lower than the actual number of events.

Workaround: None identified.



AAK122. A Page Fault May Not be Generated When the PS bit is set to "1" in a PML4E or PDPTE

Problem: On processors supporting Intel® 64 architecture, the PS bit (Page Size, bit 7) is

reserved in PML4Es and PDPTEs. If the translation of the linear address of a memory access encounters a PML4E or a PDPTE with PS set to 1, a page fault should occur. Due to this erratum, PS of such an entry is ignored and no page fault will occur due to its

being set.

Implication: Software may not operate properly if it relies on the processor to deliver page faults

when reserved bits are set in paging-structure entries.

Workaround: Software should not set bit 7 in any PML4E or PDPTE that has Present Bit (Bit 0) set

o "1"

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

AAK123. Package C3/C6 Transitions When Memory 2x Refresh is Enabled May

Result in a System Hang

Problem: If ASR_PRESENT (MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_REFRESH_THROTTLE_SUP PORT CSR

function 0, offset 68H, bit [0], Auto Self Refresh Present) is clear which indicates that high temperature operation is not supported on the DRAM, the memory controller will not enter self-refresh if software has REF_2X_NOW (bit 4 of the MC_CLOSED_LOOP CSR, function 3, offset 84H) set. This scenario may cause the system to hang during

C3/C6 entry.

Implication: Failure to enter self-refresh can delay C3/C6 power state transitions to the point that a

system hang may result with CATERR being asserted. REF_2X_NOW is used to double the refresh rate when the DRAM is operating in extended temperature range. The ASR_PRESENT was intended to allow low power self refresh with DRAM that does not

support automatic self refresh.

Workaround: A BIOS workaround has been identified. Please refer to the latest version of BIOS

Memory Reference Code and release notes.

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

AAK124. Intel QPI Link in a DP Configuration May Hang Due to Back-Back CRC

Errors

Problem: In a DP (dual-processor) configuration, under certain conditions, if two CRC (Cyclic

Redundancy Check) errors occur in very close proximity on the same Intel QPI link, LLR (Link Level Retry) signal LLR.Ack may never be returned after LLR.Req is sent. This may cause the LLR buffers on both agents to become completely full and the Intel QPI

link hard stalled.

Implication: In the unlikely event, if two CRC errors occur on the same Intel QPI link in very close

proximity, under certain conditions, the Intel QPI link may hang. Intel has not observed

this erratum with any commercial system.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK125. tRP Timing Violations May be Observed Near a Self Refresh Entry

Problem: When entering package C3, C6 or S3 states, tRP violations may be observed near a self

refresh (that is part of the C3, C6 or S3 entry).

Implication: tRP timing violation may occur on DRAM entry to self refresh while entering package

C3, C6 or S3 states. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially



available software. This condition has only been produced in simulation and affects a

pre-charge to banks already pre-charged.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK126. Concurrent Updates to a Segment Descriptor May be Lost

Problem: If a logical processor attempts to set the accessed bit in a code or data segment

descriptor while another logical processor is modifying the same descriptor, both

modifications of the descriptor may be lost.

Implication: Due to this erratum, updates to segment descriptors may not be preserved. 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*.

AAK127. PMIs May be Lost During Core C6 Transitions

Problem: If a performance monitoring counter overflows and causes a PMI (Performance

Monitoring Interrupt) at the same time that the core is entering C6, then the PMI may

be lost.

Implication: PMIs may be lost during a C6 transition.

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

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

AAK128. Uncacheable Access to a Monitored Address Range May Prevent

Future Triggering of the Monitor Hardware

Problem: It is possible that an address range which is being monitored via the MONITOR

instruction could be written without triggering the monitor hardware. A read from the monitored address range which is issued as uncacheable (for example having the CRO.CD bit set) may prevent subsequent writes from triggering the monitor hardware. A write to the monitored address range which is issued as uncacheable, may not trigger the monitor hardware and may prevent subsequent writes from triggering the monitor

hardware.

Implication: MWAIT instruction will not exit the optimized power state and resume program flow if

the monitor hardware is not triggered.

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

AAK129. Memory Controller Clock Circuits May Show a Temperature Sensitive

Dependence on Power-On Conditions

Problem: A large temperature delta between power-on and run time may affect memory

controller clock circuits and subsequently could result in memory errors.

Implication: Correctable/Uncorrectable ECC errors may be observed on a system with memory ECC

enabled. On systems that do not have memory ECC enabled, unpredictable system

behavior may be observed.

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

latest Intel® 5500 Platform for 2S platforms CPU/Intel QPI/Memory Reference Code.



AAK130. BIST Results May be Additionally Reported After a GETSEC[WAKEUP]

or INIT-SIPI Sequence

Problem: BIST results should only be reported in EAX the first time a logical processor wakes up

from the Wait-For-SIPI state. Due to this erratum, BIST results may be additionally reported after INIT-SIPI sequences and when waking up RLP's from the SENTER sleep

state using the GETSEC[WAKEUP] command.

Implication: An INIT-SIPI sequence may show a non-zero value in EAX upon wakeup when a zero

value is expected. RLP's waking up for the SENTER sleep state using the GETSEC[WAKEUP] command may show a different value in EAX upon wakeup than

before going into the SENTER sleep state.

Workaround: If necessary software may save the value in EAX prior to launching into the secure

environment and restore upon wakeup and/or clear EAX after the INIT-SIPI sequence.

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

AAK131. Enabling Demand/Patrol Scrubs Along With WMM May Cause

Unpredictable System Behavior

Problem: Under a specific set of conditions, enabling Demand scrubs (Bit 6, DEMAND_SCRUB_EN

of MS_SSRCONTROL CSR ADDR 48H) and/or Patrol Scrubs (Bits 1:0, SSR_MODE of MS_SSRCONTROL CSR ADDR 48H) along with WMM (Write Major Mode) may cause

unpredictable system behavior.

Implication: Due to this erratum unpredictable system behavior may occur.

Workaround: WMM must be disabled if Demand and/or Patrol Scrubs are enabled. Memory Reference

code provided by Intel disables WMM if Demand scrubs are enabled by writing the WMM threshold value to its maximum value of 1FH in WMENTRYTHRESHOLD bits [9:5], and WMEXITTHRESHOLD bits [4:0] of the MC_CHANNEL_{0,1,2}_WAQ_PARAMS

register.

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

AAK132. Pending x87 FPU Exceptions (#MF) May be Signaled Earlier Than

Expected

Problem: x87 instructions that trigger #MF normally service interrupts before the #MF. Due to

this erratum, if an instruction that triggers #MF is executed while Enhanced Intel SpeedStep® Technology transitions, Intel Turbo Boost Technology transitions, or Thermal Monitor events occur, the pending #MF may be signaled before pending

interrupts are serviced.

Implication: Software may observe #MF being signaled before pending interrupts are serviced.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK133. VM Exits Due to "NMI-Window Exiting" May Be Delayed by One

Instruction

Problem: If VM entry is executed with the "NMI-window exiting" VM-execution control set to 1, a

VM exit with exit reason "NMI window" should occur before execution of any instruction if there is no virtual-NMI blocking, no blocking of events by MOV SS, and no blocking of events by STI. If VM entry is made with no virtual-NMI blocking but with blocking of events by either MOV SS or STI, such a VM exit should occur after execution of one instruction in VMX non-root operation. Due to this erratum, the VM exit may be delayed

by one additional instruction.



Implication: VMM software using "NMI-window exiting" for NMI virtualization should generally be

unaffected, as the erratum causes at most a one-instruction delay in the injection of a virtual NMI, which is virtually asynchronous. The erratum may affect VMMs relying on

deterministic delivery of the affected VM exits.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK134. VM Exits Due to EPT Violations Do Not Record Information About Pre-

IRET NMI Blocking

Problem: With certain settings of the VM-execution controls VM exits due to EPT violations set bit

12 of the exit qualification if the EPT violation was a result of an execution of the IRET instruction that commenced with non-maskable interrupts (NMIs) blocked. Due to this

erratum, such VM exits will instead clear this bit.

Implication: Due to this erratum, a virtual-machine monitor that relies on the proper setting of bit

12 of the exit qualification may deliver NMIs to guest software prematurely.

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*.

AAK135. Multiple Performance Monitor Interrupts are Possible on Overflow of

IA32_FIXED_CTR2

Problem: When multiple performance counters are set to generate interrupts on an overflow and

more than one counter overflows at the same time, only one interrupt should be generated. However, if one of the counters set to generate an interrupt on overflow is the IA32_FIXED_CTR2 (MSR 30BH) counter, multiple interrupts may be generated when the IA32_FIXED_CTR2 overflows at the same time as any of the other

performance counters.

Implication: Multiple counter overflow interrupts may be unexpectedly generated.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK136. LBRs May Not be Initialized During Power-On Reset of the Processor

Problem: If a second reset is initiated during the power-on processor reset cycle, the LBRs (Last

Branch Records) may not be properly initialized.

Implication: Due to this erratum, debug software may not be able to rely on the LBRs out of power-

on reset.

Workaround: Ensure that the processor has completed its power-on reset cycle prior to initiating a

second reset.

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

AAK137. Unexpected Interrupts May Occur on C6 Exit If Using APIC Timer to

Generate Interrupts

Problem: If the APIC timer is being used to generate interrupts, unexpected interrupts not

related to the APIC timer may be signaled when a core exits the C6 power state. This erratum may occur when the APIC timer is near expiration when entering the core C6

state.

Implication: Due to this erratum, unexpected interrupt vectors could be sent from the APIC to a

logical processor.



Workaround: Software should stop the APIC timer (by writing 0 to the Initial Count Register) before

allowing the core to enter the C6 state.

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

AAK138. BTM or BTS Records May have Incorrect Branch From Information

After an Enhanced Intel SpeedStep® Technology Transition, T-states,

C1E, or Adaptive Thermal Throttling

Problem: The "From" address associated with the LBR (Last Branch Record), BTM (Branch Trace

Message) or BTS (Branch Trace Store) may be incorrect for the first branch after an Enhanced Intel® SpeedStep Technology transition, T-states, C1E (C1 Enhanced), or

Adaptive Thermal Throttling.

Implication: When the LBRs, BTM or BTS are enabled, some records may have incorrect branch

"From" addresses for the first branch after an Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technology

transition, T-states, C1E, or Adaptive Thermal Throttling.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK139. VMX-Preemption Timer Does Not Count Down at the Rate Specified

Problem: The VMX-preemption timer should count down by 1 every time a specific bit in the TSC

(Time Stamp Counter) changes. (This specific bit is indicated by IA32_VMX_MISC bits [4:0] (0x485h) and has a value of 5 on the affected processors.) Due to this erratum, the VMX-preemption timer may instead count down at a different rate and may do so

only intermittently.

Implication: The VMX-preemption timer may cause VM exits at a rate different from that expected

by software.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK140. VM Exits Due to LIDT/LGDT/SIDT/SGDT Do Not Report Correct

Operand Size

Problem: When a VM exit occurs due to a LIDT, LGDT, SIDT, or SGDT instruction with a 32-bit

operand, bit 11 of the VM-Exit Instruction-Information Field should be set to 1. Due to

this erratum, this bit is instead cleared to 0 (indicating a 16-bit operand).

Implication: Virtual Machine Monitors cannot rely on bit 11 of the VM-Exit Instruction-Information

Field to determine the operand size of the instruction causing the VM exit.

Workaround: Virtual Machine Monitor software may decode the instruction to determine

operand size.

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

AAK141. INVLPG Following INVEPT or INVVPID May Fail to Flush All

Translations for a Large Page

Problem: This erratum applies if the address of the memory operand of an INVEPT or INVVPID

instruction resides on a page larger than 4 KBytes and either (1) that page includes the low 1 MBytes of physical memory; or (2) the physical address of the memory operand matches an MTRR that covers less than 4 MBytes. A subsequent execution of INVLPG that targets the large page and that occurs before the next VM-entry instruction may fail to flush all TLB entries for the page. Such entries may persist in the TLB until the

next VM-entry instruction.



Implication: Accesses to the large page between INVLPG and the next VM-entry instruction may

incorrectly use translations that are inconsistent with the in-memory page tables.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK142. Performance Monitoring Events STORE_BLOCKS.NOT_STA and

STORE_BLOCKS.STA May Not Count Events Correctly

Problem: Performance Monitor Events STORE_BLOCKS.NOT_STA and STORE_BLOCKS.STA

should only increment the count when a load is blocked by a store. Due to this erratum, the count will be incremented whenever a load hits a store, whether it

is blocked or can forward. In addition this event does not count for specific

threads correctly.

Implication: If Intel Hyper-Threading Technology is disabled, the Performance Monitor events

STORE_BLOCKS.NOT_STA and STORE_BLOCKS.STA may indicate a higher occurrence of loads blocked by stores than have actually occurred. If Intel Hyper-Threading Technology is enabled, the counts of loads blocked by stores may be unpredictable and

they could be higher or lower than the correct count.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK143. Storage of PEBS Record Delayed Following Execution of MOV SS or STI

Problem: When a performance monitoring counter is configured for PEBS (Precise Event Based

Sampling), overflow of the counter results in storage of a PEBS record in the PEBS buffer. The information in the PEBS record represents the state of the next instruction to be executed following the counter overflow. Due to this erratum, if the counter overflow occurs after execution of either MOV SS or STI, storage of the PEBS record is

delayed by one instruction.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, software may observe storage of the PEBS record being

delayed by one instruction following execution of MOV SS or STI. The state information

in the PEBS record will also reflect the one instruction delay.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK144. Performance Monitoring Event FP_MMX_TRANS_TO_MMX May Not

Count Some Transitions

Problem: Performance Monitor Event FP_MMX_TRANS_TO_MMX (Event CCH, Umask 01H) counts

transitions from x87 Floating Point (FP) to MMX™ instructions. Due to this erratum, if only a small number of MMX instructions (including EMMS) are executed immediately

after the last FP instruction, a FP to MMX transition may not be counted.

Implication: The count value for Performance Monitoring Event FP_MMX_TRANS_TO_MMX may be

lower than expected. The degree of undercounting is dependent on the occurrences of the erratum condition while the counter is active. 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*.

AAK145. The PECI Bus May be Tri-stated After System Reset

Problem: During power-up, the processor may improperly assert the PECI (Platform Environment

Control Interface) pin. This condition is cleared as soon as Bus Clock starts toggling.



However, if the PECI host (also referred to as the master or originator) incorrectly determines this asserted state as another PECI host initiating a transaction, it may release control of the bus resulting in a permanent tri-state condition.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the PECI host may incorrectly determine that it is not the bus

master and consequently PECI commands initiated by the PECI software layer may

receive incorrect/invalid responses.

Workaround: To workaround this erratum the PECI host should pull the PECI bus low to initiate a

PECI transaction. For platforms that route the PECI bus to the PCH, Intel has implemented a workaround in the PCH firmware for this erratum. For platforms that route the PECI bus to another device, please consult your third party vendor to

understand the possible implications of this erratum.

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

AAK146. MSRs May Be Unreliable

Problem: to certain internal processor events, updates to the LER (Last Exception Record) MSRs,

MSR_LER_FROM_LIP (1DDH) and MSR_LER_TO_LIP (1DEH), may happen when no

update was expected.

Implication: The values of the LER MSRs may be unreliable.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK147. An Exit From the Core C6-state May Result in the Dropping of an

Interrupt

Problem: a complex set of internal conditions when the processor exits from Core C6 state, it is

possible that an interrupt may be dropped.

Implication: Due to this erratum, an interrupt may be dropped. 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*.

AAK148. PMIs During Core C6 Transitions May Cause the System to Hang

Problem: If a performance monitoring counter overflows and causes a PMI (Performance

Monitoring Interrupt) at the same time that the core is entering C6 then this may cause

the system to hang.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the processor may hang when a PMI is coincident with an entry to

the core C6 low power state.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK149. 2 MB Page Split Lock Accesses Combined With Complex Internal

Events May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior

Problem: A 2 MB Page Split Lock (a locked access that spans two 2 MB large pages) coincident

with additional requests that have particular address relationships in combination with a timing sensitive sequence of complex internal conditions may cause unpredictable

system behavior.

Implication: This erratum may cause unpredictable system behavior. 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*.

AAK150. IA32_MC8_CTL2 MSR is Not Cleared on Processor Warm Reset

Problem: After processor warm reset the IA32_MC8_CTL2 MSR (288H) should be zero. Due to

this erratum the IA32_MC8_CTL2 MSR is not zeroed on processor warm reset.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, the IA32_MC8_CTL2 MSR will not be zeroed by warm reset.

Software that expects the values to be 0 coming out of warm reset may not behave as

expected.

Workaround: BIOS should zero the IA32_MC8_CTL2 MSR after a warm reset.

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

AAK151. The Combination of a Page-Split Lock Access And Data Accesses That

Are Split Across Cacheline Boundaries May Lead to Processor Livelock

Problem: Under certain complex micro-architectural conditions, the simultaneous occurrence of a

page-split lock and several data accesses that are split across cacheline boundaries

may lead to processor livelock.

Implication: Due to this erratum, a livelock may occur that can only be terminated by a processor

reset. 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*.

AAK152. FP Data Operand Pointer May Be Incorrectly Calculated After an FP

Access Which Wraps a 4-Gbyte Boundary in Code That Uses 32-Bit

Address Size in 64-bit Mode

Problem: The FP (Floating Point) Data Operand Pointer is the effective address of the operand

associated with the last non-control FP instruction executed by the processor. If an 80-bit FP access (load or store) uses a 32-bit address size in 64-bit mode and the memory access wraps a 4-Gbyte boundary and the FP environment is subsequently

saved, the value contained in the FP Data Operand Pointer may be incorrect.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the FP Data Operand Pointer may be incorrect. Wrapping an 80-bit

FP load around a 4-Gbyte boundary in this way is not a normal programming practice.

Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: If the FP Data Operand Pointer is used in a 64-bit operating system which may run code

accessing 32-bit addresses, care must be taken to ensure that no 80-bit FP accesses

are wrapped around a 4-Gbyte boundary.

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

AAK153. IO SMI Indication in SMRAM State Save Area May Be Lost

Problem: The IO_SMI bit (bit 0) in the IO state field at SMRAM offset 7FA4H is set to "1" by the

processor to indicate a System Management Interrupt (SMI) is either taken immediately after a successful I/O instruction or is taken after a successful iteration of a REP I/O instruction. Due to this erratum, the setting of the IO_SMI bit may be lost. This may happen under a complex set of internal conditions with Intel HT Technology

enabled and has not been observed with commercially available software.

Implication: Due to this erratum, SMI handlers may not be able to identify the occurrence of I/O

SMIs.

Workaround: None Identified.



AAK154. Performance Monitor Events for Hardware Prefetches Which Miss the

L1 Data Cache May be Over Counted

Problem: Hardware prefetches that miss the L1 data cache but cannot be processed immediately

due to resource conflicts will count and then retry. This may lead to incorrectly incrementing the L1D_PREFETCH.MISS (event 4EH, umask 02H) event multiple times

for a single miss.

Implication: The count reported by the L1D_PREFETCH.MISS event may be higher than expected.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK155. VM Exit May Incorrectly Clear IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL [34:32]

Problem: If the "load IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL" VM-exit control is 1, a VM exit should load the

IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR (38FH) from the IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL field in the guest-state area of the VMCS. Due to this erratum, such a VM exit may instead clear

bits 34:32 of the MSR, loading only bits 31:0 from the VMCS.

Implication: All fixed-function performance counters will be disabled after an affected VM exit, even

if the VM exit should have enabled them based on the IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL field

in the guest-state area of the VMCS.

Workaround: A VM monitor that wants the fixed-function performance counters to be enabled after a

VM exit may do one of two things: (1) clear the "load IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL" VM-exit control; or (2) include an entry for the IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR in the VM-

exit MSR-load list.

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

AAK156. Intel QPI Lane May Be Dropped During Full Frequency Deskew Phase

of Training

Problem: A random Intel QPI Lane may be dropped during the lane deskew phase while the Intel

QPI Bus is training at full frequency.

Implication: When there are multiple resets after the Intel QPI Bus has reached full speed operation

there is a small chance that a lane could be dropped during the deskew phase of training. In the case of a lane being dropped this will be detected and a retry will be

done until the link is established and the lane is re-trained.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK157. PerfMon Overflow Status Can Not be Cleared After Certain Conditions

Have Occurred

Problem: Under very specific timing conditions, if software tries to disable a PerfMon counter

through MSR IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL (0x38F) or through the per-counter event-select (e.g. MSR 0x186) and the counter reached its overflow state very close to that time, then due to this erratum the overflow status indication in MSR IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_STAT (0x38E) may be left set with no way for software to clear it.

Implication: Due to this erratum, software may be unable to clear the PerfMon counter overflow

status indication.

Workaround: None Identified.



AAK158. An Unexpected Page Fault or EPT Violation May Occur After Another Logical Processor Creates a Valid Translation for a Page

Problem: An unexpected page fault (#PF) or EPT violation may occur for a page under the following conditions:

• The paging structures initially specify no valid translation for the page.

• Software on one logical processor modifies the paging structures so that there is a valid translation for the page (for example, by setting to 1 the present bit in one of the paging-structure entries used to translate the page).

• Software on another logical processor observes this modification (for example, by accessing a linear address on the page or by reading the modified paging-structure entry and seeing value 1 for the present bit).

• Shortly thereafter, software on that other logical processor performs a store to a linear address on the page.

In this case, the store may cause a page fault or EPT violation that indicates that there is no translation for the page (for example, with bit 0 clear in the page-fault error code, indicating that the fault was caused by a not-present page). Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Implication: An unexpected page fault may be reported. There are no other side effects due to this

erratum

Workaround: System software can be constructed to tolerate these unexpected page faults. See

Section "Propagation of Paging-Structure Changes to Multiple Processors" of Volume 3B of IA-32 Intel® Architecture Software Developer's Manual, for recommendations for

software treatment of asynchronous paging-structure updates.

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

AAK159. L1 Data Cache Errors May be Logged With Level Set to 1 Instead of 0

Problem: When an L1 Data Cache error is logged in IA32_MCi_STATUS[15:0], which is the MCA

Error Code Field, with a cache error type of the format 0000 0001 RRRR TTLL, the LL

field may be incorrectly encoded as 01b instead of 00b.

Implication: An error in the L1 Data Cache may report the same LL value as the L2 Cache. Software

should not assume that an LL value of 01b is the L2 Cache.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK160. Stack Pushes May Not Occur Properly for Events Delivered

Immediately After VM Entry to 16-Bit Software

Problem: The stack pushes for an event delivered after VM entry and before execution of an

instruction in VMX non-root operation may not occur properly. The erratum applies only if the VM entry establishes $IA32_EFER.LMA = 0$ and CS.D = 0 and only if the event

handler is also invoked with CS.D = 0.

Implication: This erratum affects events that are pending upon completion of VM entry and that do

not cause VM exits. Examples include debug exceptions, interrupts, and general-protection faults generated in virtual-8086 mode by the mode's virtual interrupt mechanism. The erratum applies only if the VM entry is not to IA-32e mode and is to 16-bit operation, and only if the relevant handler uses 16-bit operation. The incorrect stack pushes resulting from the erratum may cause incorrect guest operation. Intel has

not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: None Identified.



AAK161. PerfMon Event LOAD_HIT_PRE.SW_PREFETCH May Overcount

Problem: PerfMon event LOAD_HIT_PRE.SW_PREFETCH (event 4CH, umask 01H) should count

load instructions hitting an ongoing software cache fill request initiated by a preceding software prefetch instruction. Due to this erratum, this event may also count when

there is a preceding ongoing cache fill request initiated by a locking instruction.

Implication: PerfMon event LOAD_HIT_PRE.SW_PREFETCH may overcount.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK162. Successive Fixed Counter Overflows May be Discarded

Problem: Under specific internal conditions, when using Freeze PerfMon on PMI feature (bit 12 in

IA32_DEBUGCTL.Freeze_PerfMon_on_PMI, MSR 1D9H), if two or more PerfMon Fixed Counters overflow very closely to each other, the overflow may be mishandled for some of them. This means that the counter's overflow status bit (in MSR_PERF_GLOBAL_STATUS, MSR 38EH) may not be updated properly; additionally, PMI interrupt may be missed if software programs a counter in Sampling-Mode (PMI bit

is set on counter configuration).

Implication: Successive Fixed Counter overflows may be discarded when Freeze PerfMon on PMI is

used.

Workaround: Software can avoid this by:

1. Avoid using Freeze PerfMon on PMI bit

2. Enable only one fixed counter at a time when using Freeze PerfMon on PMI

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

AAK163. #GP May be Signaled When Invalid VEX Prefix Precedes Conditional

Branch Instructions

Problem: When a 2-byte opcode of a conditional branch (opcodes 0F8xH, for any value of x)

instruction resides in 16-bit code-segment and is associated with invalid VEX prefix, it may sometimes signal a #GP fault (illegal instruction length > 15-bytes) instead of a

#UD (illegal opcode) fault.

Implication: Due to this erratum, #GP fault instead of a #UD may be signaled on an illegal

instruction.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK164. A Logical Processor May Wake From Shutdown State When Branch-

Trace Messages or Branch-Trace Stores Are Enabled

Problem: Normally, a logical processor that entered the shutdown state will remain in that state

until a break event (NMI, SMI, INIT) occurs. Due to this erratum, if CR4.MCE (Machine Check Enable) is 0 and a branch-trace message or branch-trace store is pending at the time of a machine check, the processor may not remain in shutdown state. In addition, if the processor was in VMX non-root operation when it improperly woke from shutdown state, a subsequent VM exit may save a value of 2 into the activity-state field in the VMCS (indicating shutdown) even though the VM exit did not occur while in

shutdown state.

Implication: This erratum may result in unexpected system behavior. If a VM exit saved a value of 2

into the activity-state field in the VMCS, the next VM entry will take the processor to

shutdown state.



Workaround: Software should ensure that CR4.MCE is set whenever IA32 DEBUGCTL MSR (60EH)

TR bit [6] is set.

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

AAK165. Task Switch to a TSS With an Inaccessible LDTR Descriptor May Cause

Unexpected Faults

Problem: A task switch may load the LDTR (Local Descriptor Table Register) with an incorrect

segment descriptor if the LDT (Local Descriptor Table) segment selector in the new TSS

specifies an inaccessible location in the GDT (Global Descriptor Table).

Implication: Future accesses to the LDT may result in unpredictable system behavior.

Workaround: Operating system code should ensure that segment selectors used during task

switched to the GDT specify offsets within the limit of the GDT and that the GDT is fully

paged into memory.

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

AAK166. Changes to Reserved Bits of Some Non-Architectural MSR's May Cause

Unpredictable System Behavior

Problem: Under normal circumstances, an operation fails if it attempts to modify a reserved bit of

a model-specific register (MSR). Due to this erratum and for some non-architectural

MSRs, such an attempt may cause unpredictable system behavior.

Implication: Unpredictable system behavior may occur if software attempts to modify reserved bits

of some non-architectural MSRs. (Note that documentation of the WRMSR instruction states that "Undefined or reserved bits in an MSR should be set to values previously

read.")

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*.

AAK167. Virtual-APIC Page Accesses With 32-Bit PAE Paging May Cause a

System Crash

Problem: If a logical processor has EPT (Extended Page Tables) enabled, is using 32-bit PAE

paging, and accesses the virtual-APIC page then a complex sequence of internal processor microarchitectural events may cause an incorrect address translation or

machine check on either logical processor.

Implication: If a logical processor has EPT (Extended Page Tables) enabled, is using 32-bit PAE

paging, and accesses the virtual-APIC page then a complex sequence of internal processor microarchitectural events may cause an incorrect address translation or

machine check on either logical processor.

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.

AAK168. SMRAM State-Save Area Above the 4 GB Boundary May Cause

Unpredictable System Behavior

Problem: If BIOS uses the RSM instruction to load the SMBASE register with a value that would

cause any part of the SMRAM state-save area to have an address above 4-GBytes, subsequent transitions into and out of SMM (system-management mode) might save

and restore processor state from incorrect addresses.

Implication: This erratum may cause unpredictable system behavior. Intel has not observed this

erratum with any commercially available system.



Workaround: Ensure that the SMRAM state-save area is located entirely below the 4 GB

address boundary.

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

AAK169. The Corrected Error Count Overflow Bit in IA32_ MC0_STATUS is Not

Updated After a UC Error is Logged

Problem: When a UC (uncorrected) error is logged in the IA32_MC0_STATUS MSR (401H),

corrected errors will continue to update the lower 14 bits (bits 51:38) of the Corrected Error Count. Due to this erratum, the sticky count overflow bit (bit 52) of the Corrected

Error Count will not get updated after a UC error is logged.

Implication: The Corrected Error Count Overflow indication will be lost if the overflow occurs after an

uncorrectable error has been logged.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK170. The Upper 32 Bits of CR3 May be Incorrectly Used With 32-Bit Paging

Problem: When 32-bit paging is in use, the processor should use a page directory located at the

32-bit physical address specified in bits 31:12 of CR3; the upper 32 bits of CR3 should be ignored. Due to this erratum, the processor will use a page directory located at the

64-bit physical address specified in bits 63:12 of CR3.

Implication: The processor may use an unexpected page directory or, if EPT (Extended Page Tables)

is in use, cause an unexpected EPT violation. This erratum applies only if software enters 64-bit mode, loads CR3 with a 64-bit value, and then returns to 32-bit paging without changing CR3. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially

available software.

Workaround: Software that has executed in 64-bit mode should reload CR3 with a 32-bit value

before returning to 32-bit paging.

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

AAK171. EPT Violations May Report Bits 11:0 of Guest Linear Address

Incorrectly

Problem: If a memory access to a linear address requires the processor to update an accessed or

dirty flag in a paging-structure entry and if that update causes an EPT violation, the processor should store the linear address into the "guest linear address" field in the VMCS. Due to this erratum, the processor may store an incorrect value into bits 11:0 of this field. (The processor correctly stores the guest-physical address of the paging-

structure entry into the "guest-physical address" field in the VMCS.)

Implication: Software may not be easily able to determine the page offset of the original memory

access that caused the EPT violation. Intel has not observed this erratum to impact the

operation of any commercially available software.

Workaround: Software requiring the page offset of the original memory access address can derive it

by simulating the effective address computation of the instruction that caused the EPT

violation.

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

AAK172. MCI ADDR May be Incorrect For Cache Parity Errors

Problem: In cases when a WBINVD instruction evicts a line containing an address or data parity

error (MCACOD of 0x124, and MSCOD of 0x10), the address of this error should be



logged in the MCi_ADDR register. Due to this erratum, the logged address may be

incorrect, even though MCi_Status.ADDRV (bit 63) is set.

Implication: The address reported in MCi_ADDR may not be correct for cases of a parity error found

during WBINVD execution.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK173. A Machine Check Occurring During VM Entry May Cause Unpredictable

Behavior

Problem: A machine check occurring during VM entry may cause the VM entry to fail. Due to this

erratum, such a VM entry failure may be followed by unpredictable behavior, including

a processor hang.

Implication: This erratum may result in a system hang. 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*.

AAK174. A Combination of Data Accesses That Are Split Across Cacheline

Boundaries May Lead to a Processor Hang

Problem: Under certain complex micro-architectural conditions, closely spaced data accesses

that are split across cacheline boundaries may lead to a processor hang.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the processor may hang. This erratum has not been observed with

any general purpose operating systems.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK175. Execution of INVVPID Outside 64-Bit Mode Cannot Invalidate

Translations For 64-Bit Linear Addresses

Problem: Executions of the INVVPID instruction outside 64-bit mode with the INVVPID type

"individual-address invalidation" ignore bits 63:32 of the linear address in the INVVPID

descriptor and invalidate translations for bits 31:0 of the linear address.

Implication: The INVVPID instruction may fail to invalidate translations for linear addresses that set

bits in the range 63:32. Because this erratum applies only to executions outside 64-bit mode, it applies only to attempts by a 32-bit virtual-machine monitor (VMM) to invalidate translations for a 64-bit quest. 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*.

AAK176. VM Exits Due to "NMI-Window Exiting" May Not Occur Following a VM

Entry to the Shutdown State

Problem: If VM entry is made with the "virtual NMIs" and "NMI-window exiting", VM-execution

controls set to 1, and if there is no virtual-NMI blocking after VM entry, a VM exit with exit reason "NMI window" should occur immediately after VM entry unless the VM entry put the logical processor in the wait-for SIPI state. Due to this erratum, such VM exits

do not occur if the VM entry put the processor in the shutdown state.

Implication: A VMM may fail to deliver a virtual NMI to a virtual machine in the shutdown state.



Workaround: Before performing a VM entry to the shutdown state, software should check whether

the "virtual NMIs" and "NMI-window exiting" VM-execution controls are both 1. If they are, software should clear "NMI-window exiting" and inject an NMI as part of VM entry.

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

AAK177. All system interrupt sources should be quiesced before hardware

disabling Logical Processor local APIC(s).

Problem: If an I/O instruction (IN, INS, OUT, or OUTS) results in an SMI (system-management

interrupt), the processor will set the IO_SMI bit at offset 7FA4H in SMRAM. This interrupt should be delivered immediately after execution of the I/O instruction so that the software handling the SMI can cause the I/O instruction to be re-executed. Due to this erratum, it is possible for another event (e.g., a nonmaskable interrupt) to be delivered before the SMI: If software handling an affected SMI uses I/O instruction restart, the handler for the intervening event will not be executed that follows the

execution of an IN or INS instruction.

Implication: The SMM handler has to evaluate the saved context to determine if the SMI was

triggered by an instruction that read from an I/O port. The SMM handler must not restart an I/O instruction if the platform has not been configured to generate a

synchronous SMI for the recorded I/O port address.

Workaround: The SMM handler has to evaluate the saved context to determine if the SMI was

triggered by an instruction that read from an I/O port. The SMM handler must not restart an I/O instruction if the platform has not been configured to generate a

synchronous SMI for the recorded I/O port address.

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

AAK178. VM Entries That Return From SMM Using VMLAUNCH May Not Update

The Launch State of the VMCS

Problem: Successful VM entries using the VMLAUNCH instruction should set the launch state of

the VMCS to "launched". Due to this erratum, such a VM entry may not update the

launch state of the current VMCS if the VM entry is returning from SMM.

Implication: Subsequent VM entries using the VMRESUME instruction with this VMCS will fail.

RFLAGS.ZF is set to 1 and the value 5 (indicating VMRESUME with non-launched VMCS) is stored in the VM-instruction error field. This erratum applies only if dual monitor

treatment of SMI and SMM is active.

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.

AAK179. VM Entry May Clear Bytes 81H-83H on Virtual-APIC Page When "Use

TPR Shadow" Is 0

Problem: VM entry should not clear bytes 81H-83H on the virtual-APIC page if the "use TPR

shadow" VM-execution control is 0. Due to this erratum, VM entry will do so if the

"virtualize x2APIC mode" VM-execution control is 1.

Implication: VM entries with the 0-setting of the "use TPR shadow" VM-execution control and the 1-

setting of the "virtualize x2APIC mode" VM-execution control cause any non-zero data at bytes 81H-83H on the virtual-APIC page to be lost. Note that this combination of

settings is not allowed; any such VM entry will fail after clearing these bytes.

Workaround: Software should always set the "use TPR shadow" VM-execution control to 1 whenever

it sets that "virtualize x2APIC mode" VM-execution control to 1.



AAK180. A First Level Data Cache Parity Error May Result in Unexpected

Behavior

Problem: When a load occurs to a first level data cache line resulting in a parity error in close

proximity to other software accesses to the same cache line and other locked accesses

the processor may exhibit unexpected behavior.

Implication: Due to this erratum unpredictable system behavior may occur. Intel has not observed

this erratum with any commercially available system.

Workaround: None identified.

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

AAK181. Executing The GETSEC Instruction While Throttling May Result in a

Processor Hang

Problem: If the processor throttles due to either high temperature thermal conditions or due to

an explicit operating system throttling request (TT1) while executing GETSEC[SENTER] or GETSEC[SEXIT] instructions, then under certain circumstances, the processor may hang. Intel has not been observed this erratum with any commercially available

software.

Implication: Possible hang during execution of GETSEC instruction.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

AAK182. VM Exit May Set IA32_EFER.NXE When IA32_MISC_ENABLE Bit 34 is

Set to 1

Problem: When "XD Bit Disable" in the IA32_MISC_ENABLE MSR (1A0H) bit 34 is set to 1, it

should not be possible to enable the "execute disable" feature by setting IA32_EFER.NXE. Due to this erratum, a VM exit that occurs with the 1-setting of the "load IA32_EFER" VM-exit control may set IA32_EFER.NXE even if IA32_MISC_ENABLE bit 34 is set to 1. This erratum can occur only if IA32_MISC_ENABLE bit 34 was set by

guest software in VMX non-root operation.

Implication: Software in VMX root operation may execute with the "execute disable" feature enabled

despite the fact that the feature should be disabled by the IA32_MISC_ENABLE MSR.

Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: A virtual-machine monitor should not allow guest software to write to the

IA32_MISC_ENABLE MSR.



Specification Changes

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- Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 2B: Instruction Set Reference Manual N-Z
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AAK1. Clarification of TRANSLATION LOOKASIDE BUFFERS (TLBS) Invalidation

Section 10.9 INVALIDATING THE TRANSLATION LOOKASIDE BUFFERS (TLBS) of the Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 3A: System Programming Guide will be modified to include the presence of page table structure caches, such as the page directory cache, which Intel processors implement. This information is needed to aid operating systems in managing page table structure invalidations properly.

Intel will update the <code>Intel®</code> 64 and <code>IA-32</code> Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 3A: System Programming Guide in the coming months. Until that time, an application note, TLBs, Paging-Structure Caches, and Their Invalidation (http://www.intel.com/products/processor/manuals/index.htm), is available which provides more information on the paging structure caches and TLB invalidation.



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- Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 1: Basic Architecture
- Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 2A: Instruction Set Reference Manual A-M
- Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 2B: Instruction Set Reference Manual N-Z
- Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 3A: System Programming Guide
- Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual, Volume 3B: System Programming Guide

All Documentation Changes will be incorporated into a future version of the appropriate Processor documentation.

Note:

Documentation changes for Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architecture Software Developer's Manual volumes 1, 2A, 2B, 3A, and 3B will be posted in a separate document, Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architecture Software Developer's Manual Documentation Changes. Follow the link below to become familiar with this file.

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