



Errata Sheet

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Device: C515C-8E
Stepping Code / Marking: BB
Package: P-MQFP-80

This Errata Sheet describes the deviations from the current user documentation. The classification and numbering system is module oriented in a continual ascending sequence over several derivatives, as well already solved deviations are included. So gaps inside this enumeration could occur.

The current documentation is: C515C User's Manual 11.97
C515C Data Sheet 07.99
Instruction Set Manual 05.98

Note: *Devices marked with EES- or ES are engineering samples which may not be completely tested in all functional and electrical characteristics, therefore they should be used for evaluation only.*

The specific test conditions for EES and ES are documented in a separate Status Sheet.

Change summary to last Errata Sheet Rel. 1.3:

- Added new item numbered OTP.2.

Functional Problems:

CAN.2: Unexpected Remote Frame Transmission

The on-chip CAN module may send an unexpected remote frame with the identifier=0, when a pending transmit request of a message object is disabled by software.

There are three possibilities to disable a pending transmit request of a message object (n=1..14):

- Set CPUUPDn element
- Reset TXRQn element
- Reset MSGVALn element

Either of these actions will prevent further transmissions of message object n.

The symptom described above occurs when the CPU accesses CPUUPD, TXRQ or MSGVAL, while the pending transmit request of the corresponding message object is transferred to the CAN state machine (just before start of frame transmission). At this particular time the transmit request is transferred to the CAN state machine before the CPU prevents transmission. In this case the transmit request is still accepted from the CAN state machine. However the transfer of the identifier, the data length code and the data of the corresponding message object is prevented. Then the pre-charge values of the internal "hidden buffer" are transmitted instead, this causes to a remote frame transmission with identifier=0 (11 bit) and data length code=0.

This behavior occurs only when the transmit request of message object n is pending and the transmit requests of other message objects are **not** active (single transmit request).

If this remote frame loses arbitration (to a data frame with identifier=0) or if it is disturbed by an error frame, it is **not** retransmitted.

Effects to other CAN nodes in the network

The effect leads to delays of other pending messages in the CAN network due to the high priority of the Remote Frame. Furthermore the unexpected remote frame can trigger other data frames depending on the CAN node's configuration.

Workaround:

1. The behavior can be avoided if a message object is not updated by software when a transmission of the corresponding message object is pending (TXRQ element is set) **and** the CAN module is active (INIT = 0). If a re-transmission of a message (e.g. after lost arbitration or after the occurrence of an error frame) needs to be cancelled, the TXRQ element should be cleared by software as soon as NEWDAT is reset from the CAN module.

2. The nodes in the CAN system ignore the remote frame with the identifier=0 and no data frame is triggered by this remote frame.

CAN.3: Description in User's Manual regarding the reception of remote frames and the data length code (DLC) field is incorrect

It is inaccurately described in the User's Manual on page 6-94 under 'Arbitration Registers' that 'When the CAN controller stores a remote frame, only the data length code is stored into the corresponding message object'. The correct should be that the DLC field remains unchanged in the receiving message object, and that the CPU has the responsibility to define the DLC of the answering data frame.

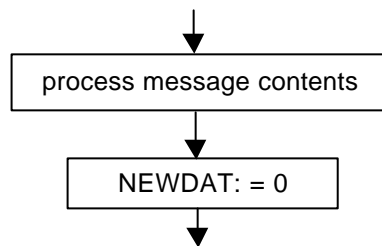
This correction will be updated to the future versions of the User's Manuals.

Workaround:

Not applicable.

CAN.4: Flowchart sequence in figure in User's Manual regarding Micro-controller handling of the Last Message Object is partly incorrect

For the software flowchart figure 6-48 in User's Manual 11.97, the correct would be to first 'process message contents' and then to 'clear bit NEWDAT'.



This correction will be updated to the future versions of the User's Manuals.

Workaround:

Not applicable.

CAN.5: Description in User's Manual section 6.5.5 regarding the Configuration of the Bit Timing is partly incorrect

As described for the CAN Bit Timing Register High BTR1, the minimum total time requirement for segment 1 and segment 2 is as follows:

$$t_{TSeg1} \geq 3 \times t_q,$$

$$t_{TSeg2} \geq 2 \times t_q.$$

The total bit time remains at $(t_{TSeg1} + t_{TSeg2} \geq 7 \times t_q)$.

This correction will be updated to the future versions of the User's Manuals.

Workaround:

Not applicable.

WDT.1: Watchdog Timer is not halted in idle mode

The Watchdog Timer (WDT) is not halted in the idle mode as defined. However, during the idle mode, an overflow condition of the WDT does not initiate an internal reset. In such a case the WDT starts a new count sequence.

Workaround:

1. Do not use the WDT function in combination with the idle mode.
2. In case of WDT is running before entry into idle mode, to avoid a WDT initiated reset upon exit of the idle mode, the following methods can be used.

(A) The WDT is refreshed immediately upon exit from idle mode.

(B) A timed interrupt can be used to exit the idle mode before the WDT reaches the counter state 7FFCh. This can be achieved by using Timer 0, 1 or 2. This timer can be programmed to generate an interrupt at a WDT counter state prior to overflow, for e.g., at 7F00h. Prior to entering idle mode, the WDT can be refreshed and the timer 0, 1 or 2 can be started immediately to synchronize the WDT. In the interrupt service routine of the Timer 0, 1 or 2, the WDT must be refreshed. If required, idle mode could be entered again.

OTP.1: ROM Verification Mode 2 and verification error signaling at Port 3.5

P3.5 does not remain at "0" permanently after detecting a verify error. It will return to "1" when a block of 16 bytes is equal to the internal memory contents, i.e. the verify procedure for these 16 bytes is passed.

Also, the last block of 16 bytes will always return verification error in the ROM Verification Mode 2.

Workaround:

None.

OTP.2: OTP module may fail under special conditions, leading to undefined operation

The OTP module may malfunction, causing the chip to enter an undefined state with unsteady operation, if there is a remaining voltage at the V_{DD} pin before powering up. The critical remaining voltage is approximately 100-400mV. The undefined state can only be left by a complete power off ($V_{DD}=0V$) and not by any RESET-source (e.g. hardware reset, WDT-reset). The problem is due to variation in technology and manufacturing parameters.

Workaround:

The device should always be powered up from $V_{DD}=0V$, ensuring that there is no voltage at any pins which leads to a remaining voltage level at V_{DD} pin (coupling over the ESD-structure).

Deviation from Electrical- and Timing Specification:

DC.3: V_{IH} minimum on \overline{EA} pin does not meet the specification values

The V_{IH} min voltage on pin \overline{EA} does not meet the specified values:

V_{IH} min for \overline{EA} pin is $(0.6 \cdot V_{DD})V$, instead of $(0.2 \cdot V_{DD} + 0.9)V$.

The new value will be worked into future documentation.

DC.4: V_{DD} is valid for a smaller range than specified on documents

V_{DD} is valid in the range from 4.5V to 5.5V at all specified temperatures, instead of 4.25V to 5.5V as specified on the documents. This smaller range is effective on devices with date code 0115.

History List (since last CPU Step ES-BA)

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AC/DC Deviations

AC/DC Deviation	Short Description	Fixed
DC.1	Power supply current in Power Down Modes	step BB
DC.2	3 LSB total unadjusted error (TUE) of A/D converter	step BB
DC.3	V_{IH} minimum on EA pin does not meet the specification values	
DC.4	V_{DD} is valid for a smaller range than specified on documents	

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