

# Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series

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# **Revision History**

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	-002	Added Errata BD91 through BD94	April 2010
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	-006	Added Erratum BD103. Updated ErratumBD40	September 2010
	-007	Added Errata BD104 through BD106. Included Microcode Update Table	December 2010
	-008	Added Errata BD107 and BD108. Added BIOS ACM and SINIT ACM Errata.	January 2011
	-009	Added Errata BD109 through BD115	February 2011
	-010	Added Erratum BD116. Updated Table 2.	April 2011
	-011	Updated Table 3 & 4	September 2011
	-012	Added Erratum BD117. Added SINIT ACM Erratum BD1	December 2011
	-013	Added Errata BD118 through BD121	May 2012
	-014	Added Errata BD122 through BD127	Nov 2012
	-015	Added Errata BD131-136	August 2013
	-016	Added Erratum BD137 - BD138	February 2014



# **Preface**

This document is an update to the specifications contained in the Affected Documents able 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	Notes <sup>1</sup>
Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series Datasheet Volume 1 & 2	323369 & 323370

#### **Related Documents**

Document Title	Location	Notes
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Software Developer's Manual Volume 1: Basic Architecture Volume 2A: Instruction Set Reference, A-M Volume 2B: Instruction Set Reference, N-Z Volume 3A: System Programming Guide, Part 1 Volume 3B: System Programming Guide, Part 2	253665 253666 253667 253668 253669	2
Intel® 64 and IA-32 Architectures Optimization Reference Manual	248966	2
Intel® Virtualization Technology Specification for Directed I/O Architecture Specification	D51397-001	2

#### Notes

<sup>1.</sup> Document is available publicly at http://developer.intel.com.



#### **Nomenclature**

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

**Errata** are design defects or errors. These may cause the processor 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.

**Specification Changes** are modifications to the current published specifications. These changes will be incorporated in the next 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 typographical errors, omissions, or incorrect information from the current published specifications. These will be incorporated in the next release of the specification.

Note:

Errata remain in the specification update throughout the product's life cycle, 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 sightings report and/or specification update when the appropriate changes are made to the appropriate product specification or user documentation.



## **Identification Information**

#### Component Identification

The Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series stepping can be identified by the following register contents.

Table 1. Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series Signature/Version

Reserved	Extended Family <sup>1</sup>	Extended Model <sup>2</sup>	Reserved	Processor Type <sup>3</sup>	Family Code <sup>4</sup>	Model Number <sup>5</sup>	Stepping ID <sup>6</sup>
31:28	27:20	19:16	15:14	13:12	11:8	7:4	3:0
	0000000 0b	0010b		00b	0110	1100b	XXXXb

#### Notes:

- 2.
- 3.
- The Extended Family, bits [27:20] are used in conjunction with the Family Code, specific in bits [11:8], to indicate whether the processor belongs to the Intel386, Intel486, Pentium, Pentium Pro, Pentium 4, or Intel® Core™ processor family.

  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 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 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.

  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.

  The Stepping ID in bits [3:0] indicates the revision number of that model. See Table 2 for the processor
- 5.
- The Stepping ID in bits [3:0] indicates the revision number of that model. See Table 2 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 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**

The Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series can be identified by the following component markings:

Figure 1. Processor Top-side Markings (Example)

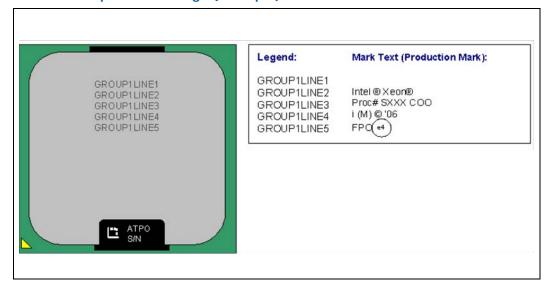


Table 2. Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series Identification (Sheet 1 of 2)

S-Spec Number	Steppin g	CPUID <sup>1</sup>	Core Frequency (GHz) <sup>18</sup> / Intel QuickPath Interconnect (GT/s) / DDR3 (MHz) / DDR3L (MHz)	Available bins of Intel Turbo Boost Technology	Cache Size (MB)	TDP (W)	Notes
SLBVX	B-1	0x000206C2	3.46 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	1/1/1/1/2/2	12	130	20
SLBVY	B-1	0x000206C2	3.60 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	na/na/1/1/ 2/2	12	130	21
SLBZ7	B-1	0x000206C2	2.93 / 5.86 / 1066 / 1066	na/na/1/1/ 2/2	12	130	22
SLBV5	B-1	0x000206C2	3.33 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	1/1/1/1/2/2	12	130	4
SLBV9	B-1	0x000206C2	3.46 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	na/na/1/1/ 2/2	12	130	5
SLBYL	B-1	0x000206C2	3.06 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/2/2/3/3	12	95	23
SLBYK	B-1	0x000206C2	3.20 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	na/na/2/2/ 3/3	12	95	24
SLBV7	B-1	0x000206C2	2.93 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/2/2/3/3	12	95	6
SLBVA	B-1	0x000206C2	3.06 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	na/na/2/2/ 3/3	12	95	9 19
SLBV6	B-1	0x000206C2	2.80 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/2/2/3/3	12	95	7
SLBV3	B-1	0x000206C2	2.66 / 6.40 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/2/2/3/3	12	95	8
SLBZ8	B-1	0x000206C2	2.53 / 5.86 / 1333 / 1333	1/1/2/2/3/3	12	80	25
SLBWZ	B-1	0x000206C2	2.40 / 5.86 / 1333 / 1333	1/1/2/2/3/3	12	80	26



#### Table 2. Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series Identification (Sheet 2 of 2)

S-Spec Number	Steppin g	CPUID <sup>1</sup>	Core Frequency (GHz) <sup>18</sup> / Intel QuickPath Interconnect (GT/s) / DDR3 (MHz) / DDR3L (MHz)	Available bins of Intel Turbo Boost Technology	Cache Size (MB)	TDP (W)	Notes
SLBZ9	B-1	0x000206C2	2.26 / 4.80 / 1066 / 1066	na	8	80	27
SLC2N	B-1	0x000206C2	2.13 / 4.80 / 1066 / 1066	na	8	80	28
SLC2F	B-1	0x000206C2	1.60 / 4.80 / 1066 / 1066	na	4	80	29
SLBVC	B-1	0x000206C2	2.66 / 5.86 / 1066 / 1066	na/na/1/1/2/ 2	12	80	10
SLBVB	B-1	0x000206C2	2.53 / 5.86 / 1066 / 1066	na/na/1/1/2/ 2	12	80	11
SLBV4	B-1	0x000206C2	2.40 / 5.86 / 1066 /1066	na/na/1/1/2/ 2	12	80	12
SLBVW	B-1	0x000206C2	2.40 / 5.86 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/3/3/4/4	12	60	30
SLBZJ	B-1	0x000206C2	2.13 / 5.86 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/3/3/4/4	12	60	31
SLBV8	B-1	0x000206C2	2.26 / 5.86 / 1333 / 1333	2/2/3/3/4/4	12	60	13
SLBWY	B-1	0x000206C2	2.00 / 5.86 / 1333 / 1333	1/1/2/2/3/3	12	60	16
SLBVD	B-1	0x000206C2	2.13 / 5.86 / 1066 / 1066	na/na/1/1/2/ 2	12	40	14
SLBVJ	B-1	0x000206C2	1.86 / 4.80 / 1066 / 1066	na	12	40	15
SLBX3	B-1	0x000206C2	1.86 / 5.86 / 1066 / 1066	na/na/1/1/2/ 3	12	40	17

#### Notes:

- CPUID is 0000206Csh, where 's' is the stepping number.
- This is a Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series with 60W TDP (Thermal Design Power) with elevated 2. NEBS thermal profile.
- This is a Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series with 40W TDP (Thermal Design Power) with elevated 3 NEBS thermal profile.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5680.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5677. 5.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5670.
- 6. 7. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5660.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5650. 8
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5667. 10. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5640.
- 11. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5630
- 12. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5620
- 13. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5640.
- 14. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5630.
- 15. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5609.
- 16. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5638.
- 17. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5618.
- 18. The core frequency reported in the processor brand string is rounded to 2 decimal digits. (For example, core frequency of 2.6666, repeating 6, is reported as @2.67 in brand string. Core frequency of 2.1333, is reported as @2.13 in brand string.)
- 19. The Brand String for the Intel® Xeon Processor X5667 contains the value 3.07 when the actual processor core frequency is 3.066 Ghz.
- 20. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5690.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5687. 21.
- 22. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5647.
- 23. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5675.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor X5672. 24. 25. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5649.
- 26. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5645.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5607. 27.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5606. 28.
- This is an Intel® Xeon Processor E5603. 29. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5645. 30
- 31. This is an Intel® Xeon Processor L5639.



# **Summary Table of Changes**

The table included in this section indicate the errata, Specification Changes, Specification Clarifications, or Document Changes which apply to the Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series. 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.

Definitions are listed below for terminology used in the **Summary Tables** below.

#### **Affected Stepping Column:**

 ${\bf X}$ : Errata exists in the stepping indicated. Specification Change or Specification Clarification that applies to this stepping.

**Blank**: This erratum is fixed, or does not exist, in the listed stepping. Specification Change does not apply to listed stepping.

#### **Status Column:**

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

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

Fixed: This erratum has been fixed.

A change bar to the left of the table row indicates this erratum is either new or has been modified from the previous revision of this document.



# **Errata Summary**

Table 3. Errata Summary Table (Sheet 1 of 5)

Table 3.	Errata Summary		Table (Sneet 1 of 5)
Errata	Steppings	Status	ERRATA
Number	B-1	Status	ERRATA
BD1	Х	No Fix	The Processor may Report a #TS Instead of a #GP Fault
BD2	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 or Lead to Memory-Ordering Violations
BD3	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 Stack
BD4	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor SSE Retired Instructions May Return Incorrect Values
BD5	Х	No Fix	Premature Execution of a Load Operation Prior to Exception Handler Invocation
BD6	Х	No Fix	MOV To/From Debug Registers Causes Debug Exception
BD7	Х	No Fix	Incorrect Address Computed For Last Byte of FXSAVE/FXRSTOR Image Leads to Partial Memory Update
BD8	Х	No Fix	Values for LBR/BTS/BTM will be Incorrect after an Exit from SMM
BD9	Х	No Fix	Single Step Interrupts with Floating Point Exception Pending May Be Mishandled
BD10	Х	No Fix	Fault on ENTER Instruction May Result in Unexpected Values on Stack Frame
BD11	Х	No Fix	IRET under Certain Conditions May Cause an Unexpected Alignment Check Exception
BD12	Х	No Fix	General Protection Fault (#GP) for Instructions Greater than 15 Bytes May be Preempted
BD13	Х	No Fix	General Protection (#GP) Fault May Not Be Signaled on Data Segment Limit Violation above 4-G Limit
BD14	Х	No Fix	LBR, BTS, BTM May Report a Wrong Address when an Exception/Interrupt Occurs in 64-bit Mode
BD15	Х	No Fix	MCi_Status Overflow Bit May Be Incorrectly Set on a Single Instance of a DTLB Error
BD16	Х	No Fix	Debug Exception Flags DR6.B0-B3 Flags May be Incorrect for Disabled Breakpoints
BD17	Х	No Fix	MONITOR or CLFLUSH on the Local XAPIC's Address Space Results in Hang
BD18	Х	No Fix	Corruption of CS Segment Register During RSM While Transitioning From Real Mode to Protected Mode
BD19	Х	No Fix	A VM Exit on MWAIT May Incorrectly Report the Monitoring Hardware as Armed
BD20	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Event SEGMENT_REG_LOADS Counts Inaccurately
BD21	Х	No Fix	#GP on Segment Selector Descriptor that Straddles Canonical Boundary May Not Provide Correct Exception Error Code
BD22	Х	No Fix	Improper Parity Error Signaled in the IQ Following Reset When a Code Breakpoint is Set on a #GP Instruction
BD23	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
BD24	Х	No Fix	IA32_MPERF Counter Stops Counting During On-Demand TM1
BD25	Х	No Fix	Intel® QuickPath Memory Controller May Hang Due to Uncorrectable ECC Errors Occurring on Both Channels in Mirror Channel Mode
BD26	×	No Fix	Simultaneous Correctable ECC Errors on Different Memory Channels With Patrol Scrubbing Enabled May Result in Incorrect Information Being Logged
BD27	×	No Fix	The Memory Controller tTHROT_OPREF Timings May be Violated During Self Refresh Entry
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Table 3. Errata Summary Table (Sheet 2 of 5)

Errata	Steppings	Status	EDDATA
Number	B-1	Status	ERRATA
BD28	Х	No Fix	Synchronous Reset of IA32_APERF/IA32_MPERF Counters on Overflow Does Not Work
BD29	Х	No Fix	Disabling Thermal Monitor While Processor is Hot, Then Re-enabling, May Result in Stuck Core Operating Ratio
BD30	Х	No Fix	Writing the Local Vector Table (LVT) when an Interrupt is Pending May Cause an Unexpected Interrupt
BD31	Х	No FIx	Faulting MMX Instruction May Incorrectly Update x87 FPU Tag Word
BD32	Х	No Fix	xAPIC Timer May Decrement Too Quickly Following an Automatic Reload While in Periodic Mode
BD33	Х	No Fix	Reported Memory Type May Not Be Used to Access the VMCS and Referenced Data Structures
BD34	Х	No Fix	B0-B3 Bits in DR6 For Non-Enabled Breakpoints May be Incorrectly Set
BD35	Х	No Fix	Core C6 May Clear Previously Logged TLB Errors
BD36	Х	No Fix	Changing the Memory Type for an In-Use Page Translation May Lead to Memory-Ordering Violations
BD37	Х	No Fix	A String Instruction that Re-maps a Page May Encounter an Unexpected Page Fault
BD38	Х	No Fix	Infinite Stream of Interrupts May Occur if an ExtINT Delivery Mode Interrupt is Received while All Cores in C6
BD39	Х	No Fix	Two xAPIC Timer Event Interrupts May Unexpectedly Occur
BD40	Х	No Fix	EOI Transaction May Not be Sent if Software Enters Core C6 During an Interrupt Service Routine
BD41	Х	No Fix	FREEZE_WHILE_SMM Does Not Prevent Event From Pending PEBS During SMM
BD42	Х	No Fix	APIC Error "Received Illegal Vector" May be Lost
BD43	Х	No Fix	DR6 May Contain Incorrect Information When the First Instruction After a MOV SS,r/m or POP SS is a Store
BD44	Х	No Fix	An Uncorrectable Error Logged in IA32_CR_MC2_STATUS May also Result in a System Hang
BD45	Χ	No Fix	IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL MSR May be Incorrectly Initialized
BD46	Χ	No Fix	ECC Errors Can Not be Injected on Back-to-Back Writes
BD47	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Counter INST_RETIRED.STORES May Count Higher than Expected
BD48	Х	No Fix	Sleeping Cores May Not be Woken Up on Logical Cluster Mode Broadcast IPI Using Destination Field Instead of Shorthand
BD49	Χ	No Fix	Faulting Executions of FXRSTOR May Update State Inconsistently
BD50	Х	No Fix	Failing DIMM ID May be Incorrect in the 2DPC Configuration When Mirroring is Enabled
BD51	Χ	No Fix	ISSUEONCE Bit in MC_SCRUB_CONTROL Register Does Not Work Correctly
BD52	Х	No Fix	Memory Aliasing of Code Pages May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior
BD53	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Counters May Count Incorrectly
BD54	Х	No Fix	Memory Thermal Throttling May Not Work as Expected in Lockstep Channel Mode
BD55	Х	No Fix	Simultaneous Accesses to the Processor via JTAG and PECI May Cause Unexpected Behavior
BD56	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Event Offcore_response_0 (B7H) Does Not Count NT Stores to Local DRAM Correctly
BD57	Х	No Fix	EFLAGS Discrepancy on Page Faults and on EPT-Induced VM Exits after a Translation Change



Table 3. Errata Summary Table (Sheet 3 of 5)

Errata	Steppings	a	
Number	B-1	Status	ERRATA
BD58	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
BD59	Х	No Fix	Package C3/C6 Transitions When Memory 2x Refresh is Enabled May Result in a System Hang
BD60	Х	No Fix	Back to Back Uncorrected Machine Check Errors May Overwrite IA32_MC3_STATUS.MSCOD
BD61	Х	No Fix	Corrected Errors With a Yellow Error Indication May be Overwritten by Other Corrected Errors
BD62	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Events DCACHE_CACHE_LD and DCACHE_CACHE_ST May Overcount
BD63	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Events INSTR_RETIRED and MEM_INST_RETIRED May Count Inaccurately
BD64	Х	No Fix	A Page Fault May Not be Generated When the PS bit is set to "1" in a PML4E or PDPTE
BD65	Х	No Fix	Uncacheable Access to a Monitored Address Range May Prevent Future Triggering of the Monitor Hardware
BD66	Х	No Fix	Intel® Interconnect BIST (Intel® IBIST) Results May be Additionally Reported After a GETSEC[WAKEUP] or INIT-SIPI Sequence
BD67	X	No Fix	Pending x87 FPU Exceptions (#MF) May be Signaled Earlier Than Expected
BD68	X	No Fix	VM Exits Due to "NMI-Window Exiting" May Be Delayed by One Instruction
BD69	Х	No Fix	Multiple Performance Monitor Interrupts are Possible on Overflow of IA32_FIXED_CTR2
BD70	Х	No Fix	C-State Autodemotion May be too Aggressive Under Certain Configurations and Workloads
BD71	X	No Fix	LBRs May Not be Initialized During Power-On Reset of the Processor
BD72	X	No Fix	Multiple Performance Monitor Interrupts are Possible on Overflow of Fixed Counter 0
BD73	Х	No Fix	VM Exits Due to LIDR/LGDT/SIDT/SGDT Do Not Report Correct Operand Size
BD74	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitoring Events STORE_BLOCKS.NOT_STA and STORE_BLOCKS.STA May Not Count Events Correctly
BD75	Х	No Fix	Storage of PEBS Record Delayed Following Execution of MOV SS or STI
BD76	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitoring Event FP_MMX_TRANS_TO_MMX May Not Count Some Transitions
BD77	Χ	No Fix	The PECI Bus May be Tri-stated After System Reset
BD78	Х	No Fix	LER MSRs May Be Unreliable
BD79	Х	No Fix	APIC Timer CCR May Report 0 in Periodic Mode
BD80	Х	No Fix	LBR, BTM or BTS Records May have Incorrect Branch From Information After an Intel Enhanced SpeedStep Technology Transition, T-states, C1E, or Adaptive Thermal Throttling
BD81	X	No Fix	PEBS Records Not Created For FP-Assists Events
BD82	Х	No Fix	MSR_TURBO_RATIO_LIMIT MSR May Return Intel® Turbo Boost Technology Core Ratio Multipliers for Non-Existent Core Configurations
BD83	Х	No Fix	L1 Cache Uncorrected Errors May be Recorded as Correctable in 16K Mode
BD84	Х	No Fix	Extra APIC Timer Interrupt May Occur During a Write to the Divide Configuration Register
BD85	Х	No Fix	PECI Reads of Machine Check MSRs in the Processor Core May Not Function Correctly
BD86	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



Table 3. Errata Summary Table (Sheet 4 of 5)

Errata	Steppings	Status	EDDATA
Number	B-1	Status	ERRATA
BD87	Х	No Fix	Package C6 Transitions May Cause Memory Bit Errors to be Observed
BD88	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
BD89	Х	No Fix	FP Data Operand Pointer May Be Incorrectly Calculated After an FP Access Which Wraps a 64-Kbyte Boundary in 16-bit Code
BD90	Х	No Fix	Spurious PROCHOT# Assertion During Warm Reset May Hang the Processor
BD91	Х	No Fix	TSC Values When Observed Cross-Socket May Be Out of Sync After a Warm Reset
BD92	Х	No Fix	Changes to Reserved Bits for Some Non-Architectural MSR's May Cause Unpredictable System Behavior
BD93	Х	No Fix	Persistent Stream of Correctable Memory ECC Errors May Result in Unexpected Behavior
BD94	Х	No Fix	IO_SMI Indication in SMRAM State Save Area May Be Lost
BD95	Х	No Fix	Failing DIMM ID May Be Incorrect When Mirroring is Enabled
BD96	Х	No Fix	PECI Reads to Machine Check Registers May Return Unexpected Data
BD97	Х	No Fix	FSW May Be Corrupted If an x87 Store Instruction Causes a Page Fault in VMX Non Root Operation
BD98	Х	No Fix	Sensitivity in Clocking Circuitry May Result in Unpredictable System Behavior
BD99	Х	No Fix	Accesses to a VMCS May Not Operate Correctly If CR0.CD is Set on Any Logical Processor of a Core
BD100	Х	No Fix	Performance Monitor Events for Hardware Prefetches Which Miss The L1 Data Cache May be Over Counted
BD101	Х	No Fix	Parallel VMX entries and exits the DTLB is not flushed
BD102	Х	No Fix	VM Exit May Incorrectly Clear IA32_PERF_GLOBAL_CTRL [34:32]
BD103	Х	No Fix	VM Entry May Omit Consistency Checks Related to Bit 14 (BS) of the Pending Debug Exception Field in Guest-State Area of the VMCS
BD104	Х	No Fix	Package C6 Transitions May Result in Single and Multi-Bit Memory Errors
BD105	Х	No Fix	Execution of VMPTRLD May Corrupt Memory If Current-VMCS Pointer is Invalid
BD106	Х	No Fix	PerfMon Overflow Status Can Not be Cleared After Certain Conditions Have Occurred
BD107	Х	No Fix	An Unexpected Page Fault or EPT Violation May Occur After Another Logical Processor Creates a Valid Translation for a Page
BD108	Х	No Fix	L1 Data Cache Errors May be Logged With Level Set to 1 Instead of 0
BD109	Х	No Fix	Executing The GETSEC Instruction While Throttling May Result in a Processor Hang
BD110	Х	No Fix	PerfMon Event LOAD_HIT_PRE.SW_PREFETCH May Overcount
BD111	Х	No Fix	Successive Fixed Counter Overflows May be Discarded
BD112	Х	No Fix	#GP May be Signaled When Invalid VEX Prefix Precedes Conditional Branch Instructions
BD113	Х	No Fix	A Logical Processor May Wake From Shutdown State When Branch-Trace Messages or Branch-Trace Stores Are Enabled
BD114	Х	No Fix	Task Switch to a TSS With an Inaccessible LDTR Descriptor May Cause Unexpected Faults
BD115	Х	No Fix	Package C6 Exit with Memory in Self-Refresh When Using DDR3 RDIMM Memory May Lead to a System Hang
BD116	Х	No Fix	.MCIP Bit Not Checked on SENTER or ENTERACCS
BD117	Χ	No Fix	Unexpected Load May Occur on Execution of Certain Opcodes



Table 3. Errata Summary Table (Sheet 5 of 5)

Errata	Steppings	0	FDDATA
Number	B-1	Status	ERRATA
BD118	Х	No Fix	Successive Fixed Counter Overflows May be Discarded
BD119	Х	No Fix  VM Exits Due to "NMI-Window Exiting" May Not Occur Following a VM Entry Shutdown State	
BD120	Х	No Fix	Execution of INVVPID Outside 64-Bit Mode Cannot Invalidate Translations For 64-Bit Linear Addresses
BD121	Х	No Fix	A Combination of Data Accesses That Are Split Across Cacheline Boundaries May Lead to a Processor Hang
BD122	Х	No Fix	PerfMon Overflow Status Can Not be Cleared After Certain Conditions Have Occurred
BD123	Х	No Fix	Package C6 C-State Exit May Result in Uncorrectable Memory Errors
BD124	Х	No Fix	VMRESUME May Omit Check of Revision Identifier of Linked VMCS
BD125	Х	No Fix	An INIT Signal May Cause Unpredictable Behavior After a VMXOFF
BD126	Х	No Fix	APIC Timer Interrupts May be Lost During Core C3
BD127	Х	No Fix	MCI_ADDR May be Incorrect For Cache Parity Errors
BD128	Χ	No Fix	APIC Timer Interrupt May be Lost
BD129	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 or Lead to Memory-Ordering Violations
BD130	Х	No Fix	CR0.CD Is Ignored in VMX Operation
BD131	Х	No Fix	Sensitivity in Execution Unit Clock Circuitry on a small subset of Intel® Xeon® processor X5675, X5690 and X5687 May Result in Unpredictable System Behavior
BD132	Х	No Fix	Virtual-APIC Page Accesses With 32-Bit PAE Paging May Cause a System Crash
BD133	Х	No Fix	EPT Violations May Report Bits 11:0 of Guest Linear Address Incorrectly
BD134	Х	No Fix	IA32_VMX_VMCS_ENUM MSR (48AH) Does Not Properly Report The Highest Index Value Used For VMCS Encoding
BD135	Х	No Fix	The Upper 32 Bits of CR3 May be Incorrectly Used With 32-Bit Paging
BD136	Х	No Fix	The Corrected Error Count Overflow Bit in IA32_ MC0_STATUS is Not Updated After a UC Error is Logged
BD131	Х	No Fix	Sensitivity in Execution Unit Clock Circuitry on a small subset of Intel® Xeon® processor X5675, X5690 and X5687 May Result in Unpredictable System Behavior
BD132	Х	No Fix	Virtual-APIC Page Accesses With 32-Bit PAE Paging May Cause a System Crash
BD133	Х	No Fix	EPT Violations May Report Bits 11:0 of Guest Linear Address Incorrectly
BD134	Х	No Fix	IA32_VMX_VMCS_ENUM MSR (48AH) Does Not Properly Report The Highest Index Value Used For VMCS Encoding
BD135	X	No Fix	The Upper 32 Bits of CR3 May be Incorrectly Used With 32-Bit Paging
BD136	Х	No Fix	The Corrected Error Count Overflow Bit in IA32_ MC0_STATUS is Not Updated After a UC Error is Logged



# **BIOS ACM AND SINIT ACM Errata Summary**

#### Table 4. BIOS ACM Errata Table

Number	ACM Release			Status	ERRATA Description
	1.0	1.1	1.2	Status	ERRALA Description
BD1	Х			Fixed	BIOS ACM May Report an Incorrect TXT.ERRORCODE in Multiprocessor Configurations
BD2	Х			Fixed	BIOS ACM Reset TPM Auxiliary Indices Function Not Available\
BD3	Х			Fixed	If Processor is Reset Without Resetting The IOH With Secrets in Memory, The BIOS ACM Will Hand-off to BIOS With Memory Locked
BD4	Х	Х		Plan Fix	BIOS ACM SCHECK May Set TPM Locality 0 to Inactive Status
BD5	Х			Fixed	If BIOS policy Autopromotion Fails, TXT.ACMCRASHCODE And TXT.ACMSTATUS May Have Incorrect Values
BD6	Х			Fixed	The BIOS ACM May Write Error Codes to The Wrong Register
BD7	Х	Х		Plan Fix	NPW BIOS ACMs May Allow Launch of an MLE When The Launch Control Policy Disallows NPW Launch
BD8	Х	Х		Plan Fix	TPM PCR17 Not Extended with BIOS ACM values
BD9	Х	Х		Plan Fix	BIOS ACM May Exit to BIOS with TPM locality 3 activated

#### Table 5. SINIT ACM Errata Table

Number	ACM Release			Status	ERRATA Description
	1.0	1.1	1.2	Status	ERRATA Description
BD1	Х			Fixed	SINIT Buffer Overflow Vulnerability



## **Specification Changes**

Number	Specification Changes
	No new Specification Changes in this Specification Update Revision

## **Specification Clarifications**

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## **Documentation Changes**

Number	Documentation Changes
	No new Documentation Changes in this Specification Update Revision



## **Errata**

BD1. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD2. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD3. 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 Table of Changes.

BD4. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD5. 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<sup>™</sup> 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 Table of Changes*.

BD6. 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 (i.e., 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 Table of Changes*.

BD7. 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 64 KB limit while the processor is operating in 16-bit mode or if a memory address exceeds the

4 GB 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 Table of Changes.

BD8. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD9. 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.



BD10. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD11. 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 Table of Changes.

BD12. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD13. 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 Table of Changes.

BD14. 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 (0x00007FFFFFFFFFF) 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 Table of Changes.

BD15. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD16. 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 Table of Changes.

BD17. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD18. 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 CRO 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 Table of Changes.

BD19. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD20. 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.



BD21. #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 Table of Changes.

BD22. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD23. 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 Table of Changes.

BD24. 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 Table of Changes.

BD25. Intel® QuickPath Memory Controller May Hang Due to Uncorrectable

ECC Errors Occurring on Both Channels in Mirror Channel Mode

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

uncorrectable ECC error or parity error on the other channel can be resolved, the Intel QuickPath Memory Controller will hang without an uncorrectable ECC or parity error

being logged.

Implication: The processor may hang and not report the error when uncorrectable ECC or parity

errors occur in close proximity on both channels in a mirrored channel pair. No

uncorrectable ECC or parity error will be logged in the machine check banks.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD26. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD27. The 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.



BD28. 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  $0xFFFF\_FFFF\_FFFF\_FFFF$ , 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 Table of Changes.

BD29. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD30. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD31. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD32. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD33. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD34. 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.



BD35. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD36. Changing the Memory Type for an In-Use Page Translation May Lead

to Memory-Ordering Violations

Problem: Under complex micro-architectural 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 Table of Changes.

BD37. 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 (for example, 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.



BD38. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD39. 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 Table of Changes.

BD40. 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. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available

software.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD41. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD42. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD43. DR6 May Contain Incorrect Information When the First Instruction

After a MOV SS,r/m or POP SS is a Store

Problem: Normally, each instruction clears the changes in DR6 (Debug Status Register) caused

by the previous instruction. However, the instruction following a MOV SS,r/m (MOV to the stack segment selector) or POP SS (POP stack segment selector) instruction will not clear the changes in DR6 because data breakpoints are not taken immediately after a MOV SS,r/m or POP SS instruction. Due to this erratum, any DR6 changes caused by a MOV SS,r/m or POP SS instruction may be cleared if the following instruction is a

store.

Implication: When this erratum occurs, incorrect information may exist in DR6. This erratum will not

be observed under normal usage of the MOV SS,r/m or POP SS instructions (that is, following them with an instruction that writes [e/r]SP). When debugging or when

developing debuggers, this behavior should be noted.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD44. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD45. 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 Table of Changes.

BD46. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD47. Performance Monitor Counter INST\_RETIRED.STORES May Count

**Higher than Expected** 

Problem: Performance Monitoring counter INST\_RETIRED.STORES (Event: COH) 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 INST\_RETIRED.STORES may report counts higher

than expected.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD48. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD49. 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 Table of Changes.

BD50. 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.

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

BD51. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD52. 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.



**BD53.** 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 Table of Changes*.

BD54. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD55. Simultaneous Accesses to the Processor via JTAG and PECI May Cause

**Unexpected Behavior** 

Problem: JTAG commands that are executed at the same time as a PECI (Platform Environment

Control Interface) access may cause unexpected behavior. In addition the PECI

command may take longer to complete or may not complete.

Implication: The processor could be left in an unexpected state and any software or firmware doing

PECI writes may time out.

Workaround: Ensure that PECI commands are not executed while using JTAG.

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

BD56. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD57. 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.

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

BD58. 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: A BIOS code change has been identified and may be implemented as a workaround for

this erratum.



BD59. 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: It is possible for Intel provided BIOS reference code to contain a workaround for this

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

release notes.

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

BD60. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD61. 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\_xxxx\_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 Table of Changes*.

BD62. 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 Table of Changes.

BD63. 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.

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

BD64. 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 to

"1".

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

BD65. 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: The 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 Table of Changes*.

BD66. Intel® Interconnect BIST (Intel® IBIST) 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, Intel® Interconnect BIST (Intel®



IBIST) Intel results may be additionally reported after INIT-SIPI sequences and when waking up RLP's from the SENTER sleep state using the GETSEC[WAKEIUP] 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 Table of Changes*.

BD67. 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 be observed #MF being-signaled before pending interrupts are serviced.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD68. 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 not blocking of events by STR. 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 virutalization 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 Table of Changes*.

BD69. 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.



BD70. C-State Autodemotion May be too Aggressive Under Certain

**Configurations and Workloads** 

Problem: The C-state autodemotion feature allows the processor to make intelligent power and

performance tradeoffs regarding the OS-requested C-state. Under certain operating system and workload specific conditions, the C-state auto-demotion feature may be overly aggressive in demoting OS C-sate requests to a C-sate with higher power and

lower exit latency.

Implication: This aggressive demotion can result in higher platform power under idle conditions.

Workaround: None identified

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

BD71. 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 Table of Changes.

BD72. Multiple Performance Monitor Interrupts are Possible on Overflow of

**Fixed Counter 0** 

Problem: The processor can be configured to issue a PMI (performance monitor interrupt) upon

overflow of the IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0 MSR (309H). A single PMI should be observed on overflow of IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0, however multiple PMIs are observed when this erratum occurs. This erratum only occurs when IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0 overflows and the processor

and counter are configured as follows:

· Intel Hyper-Threading Technology is enabled

IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0 local and global controls are enabled

 IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0 is set to count events only on its own thread (IA32\_FIXED\_CTR\_CTRL MSR (38DH) bits[2] = '0)

PMIs are enabled on IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0 (IA32\_FIXED\_CTR\_CTRL MSR bit[3] = '1)

Freeze\_on\_PMI feature is enabled (IA32\_DEBUGCTL MSR (1D9H) bit[12] = '1)

Implication: When this erratum occurs there may be multiple PMIs observed when

IA32\_FIXED\_CTR0 overflows.

Workaround: Disable the FREEZE\_PERFMON\_ON\_PMI feature in IA32\_DEBUGCTL MSR (1D9H)

bit[12].

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

BD73. VM Exits Due to LIDR/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 Table of Changes.

BD74. 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 Table of Changes.

BD75. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD76. Performance Monitoring Event FP\_MMX\_TRANS\_TO\_MMX May Not

**Count Some Transitions** 

Problem: Performance Monitor Event FP\_MMX\_TRANS\_TO\_MMS (Event CCH, Umask 01H) counts

transitions from x87 Floating Point (FP) to MMX<sup>TM</sup> 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.



BD77. 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.

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

BD78. LER MSRs May Be Unreliable

Problem: Due 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 Table of Changes*.

BD79. APIC Timer CCR May Report 0 in Periodic Mode

Problem: In periodic mode the APIC timer CCR (current-count register) is supposed to be

automatically reloaded from the initial-count register when the count reaches 0, consequently software would never be able to observe a value of 0. Due to this erratum, software may read 0 from the CCR when the timer has counted down and is in

the process of re-arming.

Implication: Due to this erratum, an unexpected value of 0 may be read from the APIC timer CCR

when in periodic mode.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD80. LBR, BTM or BTS Records May have Incorrect Branch From

Information After an Intel Enhanced SpeedStep Technology Transition, T-states, C1E, or Adaptive Thermal Throttling

Problem: The "Form" 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 Enchanced 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 Enchanced Intel SpeedStep Technology

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

Workaround: None identified.



BD81. PEBS Records Not Created For FP-Assists Events

Problem: When a performance monitor counter is configured to count FP\_ASSISTS (Event: F7H)

and to trigger PEBS (Precise Event Based Sampling), the processor does not create a

PEBS record when the counter overflows.

Implication: FP\_ASSISTS events cannot be used for PEBS.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD82. MSR\_TURBO\_RATIO\_LIMIT MSR May Return Intel® Turbo Boost

**Technology Core Ratio Multipliers for Non-Existent Core** 

Configurations

Problem: MSR\_TURBO\_RATIO\_LIMIT MSR (1ADH) is designed to describe the maximum Intel

Turbo Boost Technology potential of the processor. On some processors, a non-zero Intel Turbo Boost Technology value will be returned for non-existent core

configurations.

Implication: Due to this erratum, software using the MSR\_TURBO\_RATIO\_LIMIT MSR to report Intel

Turbo Boost Technology processor capabilities may report erroneous results.

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

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

BD83. L1 Cache Uncorrected Errors May be Recorded as Correctable in 16K

Mode

Problem: When the L1 Cache is operating in 16K redundant parity mode and a parity error occurs

on both halves of the duplicated cache on the same cacheline, an uncorrectable error should be logged. Due to this erratum, the uncorrectable error will be recorded as correctable, however a machine check exception will be appropriately taken in this

case.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the IA32\_MCi\_STATUS.UC bit will incorrectly contain a value of 0

indicating a correctable error.

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

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

BD84. Extra APIC Timer Interrupt May Occur During a Write to the Divide

**Configuration Register** 

Problem: If the APIC timer Divide Configuration Register (Offset 03E0H) is written at the same

time that the APIC timer Current Count Register (Offset 0390H) reads 1H, it is possible

that the APIC timer will deliver two interrupts.

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

event

Workaround: Software should reprogram the Divide Configuration Register only when the APIC timer

interrupt is disarmed.

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

BD85. PECI Reads of Machine Check MSRs in the Processor Core May Not

**Function Correctly** 

Problem: PECI reads which target machine check MSRs in the processor core may either be

directed to a different core than intended or report that the data is not available.



Implication: PECI reads of machine check MSRs in the processor core may return incorrect data or

incorrectly report that data is not available for the requested core.

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

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

BD86. 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 microarchitectural conditions, the simultaneous occurrence of a

page-split lock and several data accesses that are split 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 Table of Changes.

BD87. Package C6 Transitions May Cause Memory Bit Errors to be Observed

Problem: During Package C6 transitions, internal signaling noise may cause the DDRx\_CKE signal

to become asserted during self-refresh. These assertions may result in memory bit errors upon exiting from the package C6 state. Due to this erratum the DDRx\_CKE signals can be driven during times in which the DDR3 JEDEC specification requires that

they are idle.

Implication: DDRx\_CKE signals can be driven during package C6 memory self-refresh creating an

invalid memory DRAM state. A system hang, memory ECC errors or unpredictable

system behavior may occur when exiting the package C6 state.

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

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

BD88. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD89. FP Data Operand Pointer May Be Incorrectly Calculated After an FP

Access Which Wraps a 64-Kbyte Boundary in 16-bit Code

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) occurs in a 16-bit mode other than protected mode (in



which case the access will produce a segment limit violation), the memory access wrap a 64-Kbyte 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 segment 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 an operating system which may run 16-bit FP

code, care must be taken to ensure that no 80-bit FP access are wrapped around a

64-Kbyte boundary.

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

BD90. Spurious PROCHOT# Assertion During Warm Reset May Hang the

**Processor** 

Problem: The processor may hang if there is a spurious PROCHOT# pin assertion during a warm

reset. The hang may occur even if the minimum hold time specification for PROCHOT#

is not met or voltage regulator based throttling is not enabled.

Implication: Due to this erratum the processor may hang if there is any spurious assertion of the

PROCHOT# pin during a warm reset.

Workaround: It is possible of the BIOS to contain a workaround for this erratum, to be used in

conjunction with a BIOS modification.

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

BD91. TSC Values When Observed Cross-Socket May Be Out of Sync After a

Warm Reset

Problem: In a two socket platform with package C6 enabled, the TSC (Time Stamp Counter)

cross-socket values should remain synchronous if the conditions specified in the processor AC timing Waveforms Section of the Intel® Xeon 5600 Series EMTS (Electrical Mechanical and Thermal Specifications) are met. Due to this erratum the TSC may become out of sync between the processor packages after a warm reset even

if the Reset# de-assertion requirements are met.

Implication: Certain software applications that rely on hardware based TSC cross-socket

synchronization may not function correctly.

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

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

BD92. Changes to Reserved Bits for 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.



BD93. Persistent Stream of Correctable Memory ECC Errors May Result in

**Unexpected Behavior** 

Problem: When Demand and/or Patrol Scrub are enabled along with Write Major Mode, and a

persistent stream of correctable memory ECC errors occurs, the processor may exhibit

unexpected behavior.

Implication: A system hang or unpredictable system behavior might be observed due to this

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

Workaround: It is possible for the Intel provided Memory reference code to contain a workaround for

this erratum. The workaround disables Write Major Mode when Demand and/or Patrol

Scrub are enabled, which eliminates the potential for this erratum to occur.

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

BD94. 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® Hyper-Threading 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.

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

BD95. Failing DIMM ID May Be Incorrect When Mirroring is Enabled

Problem: When redundancy is lost in Mirroring mode, the failing DIMMs cannot be identified

correctly if MC\_SMI\_SPARE\_DIMM\_ERROR\_STATUS CSR bits [13:12]

(REDUNDANCY\_LOSS\_FAILING\_DIMM) are 00b.

Implication: When the bits [13:12] in the MC\_SMI\_SPARE\_DIMM\_ERROR\_STATUS CSR are 00b, the

failing DIMM may not be correctly identified.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

BD96. PECI Reads to Machine Check Registers May Return Unexpected Data

Problem: If BIOS disables one or more cores by writing to the CSR\_DESIRED\_CORES (Device 0;

Function 0; Offset 80H), PECI (Platform Environment Control Interface) reads to machine check registers may receive data from a core which was not the intended

target of the read or may receive unexpected data.

Implication: When one or more cores are disabled by the BIOS, PECI commands to read machine

check registers may return incorrect data and/or behave in an unpredictable manner.

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



BD97. FSW May Be Corrupted If an x87 Store Instruction Causes a Page Fault

in VMX Non-Root Operation

Problem: The X87 FSW (FPU Status Word) may be corrupted if execution of a floating-point store

instruction (FST, FSTP, FIST, FISTP) causes a page fault in VMX non-root

operation.

Implication: This erratum may result in unexpected behavior of software that uses x87 FPU

instructions.

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

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

BD98. Sensitivity in Clocking Circuitry May Result in Unpredictable System

**Behavior** 

Problem: On a subset of processors the clocking circuitry may be sensitive to fluctuations in Vtt

voltage during stressful testing and/or operating conditions and may result in

unpredictable system behavior.

Implication: This erratum may result in 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 Table of Changes.

BD99. Accesses to a VMCS May Not Operate Correctly If CR0.CD is Set on Any

Logical Processor of a Core

Problem: The VMX (virtual-machine extensions) are controlled by the VMCS (virtual-machine

control structure). If CR0.CD is set on any logical processor of a core, operations using the VMCS may not function correctly. Such operations include the VMREAD and

VMWRITE instructions as well as VM entries and VM exits.

Implication: If CRO.CD is set on either logical processor in a core, the VMWRITE instruction may not

correctly update the VMCS and the VMREAD instruction may not return correct data. VM entries may not load state properly and may not establish VMX controls properly.

VM exits may not save or load state properly.

Workaround: VMMs (Virtual-machine monitors) should ensure that CR0.CD is clear on all logical

processors of a core before entering VMX operation on any logical processor. Software should not set CRO.CD on a logical processor if any logical processor of the same core is in VMX operation. VMM software should prevent guest software from setting CRO.CD by

setting bit 30 in the CRO guest/host mask field in every VMCS.

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

BD100. 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.



BD101. Parallel VMX entries and exits the DTLB is not flushed

Problem: The DTLB physicals are left intact, however, the physicals needs to be flushed to ensure

proper SMRR operation.

Implication: The DTLB physicals may contain SMM addresses even after exiting SMM.

Workaround: Software using SMM Transfer Monitor should insure that the DTLB is flushed prior to

parallel entries and exits.

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

BD102. 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 quest-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 Table of Changes*.

BD103. VM Entry May Omit Consistency Checks Related to Bit 14 (BS) of the

Pending Debug Exception Field in Guest-State Area of the VMCS

Problem: Section "Checks on Guest Non-Register State" of Volume 3B specifies consistency

checks that VM entry should perform for bit 14 (BS, indicating a pending single-step exception) of the pending debug exception field in guest-state area of the VMCS. These checks enforce the consistency of that bit with other fields in the guest-state area. Due

to this erratum, VM entry may fail to perform these checks.

Implication: A logical processor may enter VMX non-root operation with a pending single-step

debug exception that not consistent other register state; this may result in unexpected behavior. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: When using VMWRITE to write to a field in the guest-state area, software should ensure

that the value written is consistent with the state of other guest-state fields.

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

BD104. Package C6 Transitions May Result in Single and Multi-Bit Memory

**Errors** 

Problem: On a subset of processors, during package C6 transitions, internal circuit marginality

may cause DDR3 JEDEC specification violations. These violations may result in control

and data signal errors upon exiting from package C6 state.

Implication: Certain memory control signals may be incorrectly driven during package C6 memory

self-refresh. This can create an invalid memory DRAM state, system hang, reboot, memory ECC errors or unpredictable system behavior. For systems with ECC memory,



correctable/uncorrectable ECC errors may be logged in the IA32\_MC8\_STATUS MSR (421H) with the uncorrectable errors resulting in a machine check exception.

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

Table 5, Intel® Xeon® Processor 5600 Series Microcode Update Guide for further

details.

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

BD105. Execution of VMPTRLD May Corrupt Memory If Current-VMCS Pointer

is Invalid

Problem: If the VMCLEAR instruction is executed with a pointer to the current-VMCS (virtual-

machine control structure), the current-VMCS pointer becomes invalid as expected. A subsequent execution of the VMPTRLD (Load Pointer to Virtual-Machine Control Structure) instruction may erroneously overwrite the four bytes at physical address

0000008FH.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the four bytes in system memory at physical address 0000008FH

may be corrupted.

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

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

BD106. 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 (for example, 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: Software may avoid this erratum by clearing the PerfMon counter value prior to

disabling it and then clearing the overflow status indication bit.

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

BD107. 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 (e.g., 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 (e.g., 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 3A 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 Table of Changes*.

BD108. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD109. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD110. 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 Table of Changes*.

**BD111.** 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.

— 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 Table of Changes*.

BD112. #GP May be Signaled When Invalid VEX Prefix Precedes Conditional

**Branch Instructions** 

Problem: When a 2-byte opcode of a conditional branch (opcodes OF8xH, 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 Table of Changes*.

BD113. 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 Table of Changes.

BD114. 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 switches

to the GDT specify offsets within the limit of the GDT and that the GDT is fully paged

into memory.



BD115. Package C6 Exit with Memory in Self-Refresh When Using DDR3

**RDIMM Memory May Lead to a System Hang** 

Problem: When using DDR3 RDIMM memory and exiting from the C6 low power state with

memory in self-refresh the CS (Chip Select) signals may remain in tri-state during tSTAB (CLK Stabilization time) thus violating the JEDEC Standard: Definition of the SSTE32882 Registering Clock Driver with Parity and Quad Chip Selects for DDR3 RDIMM Applications. As detailed in the JEDEC specification the CS signals should

transition from tri-state to high to exit the Clock Stopped Power Down Mode.

Implication: When this erratum occurs the processor may hang.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

BD116. MCIP Bit Not Checked on SENTER or ENTERACCS

Problem: When an ILP (Initiating Logical Processor) executes GETSEC with either the SENTER or

ENTERACCS leaf function, the processor should check the MCIP (Machine Check In Progress) bit in the IA32\_MCG\_STATUS MSR (17AH) to determine if any machine check exception is being processed. If a machine check is in progress the ILP should generate a general protection exception. Due to this erratum, the general protection exception is

not generated.

Implication: If GETSEC is executed with either the SENTER or ENTERACCS leaf function, and a

machine check exception is being processed, ILP will enter an authenticated execution

mode instead of generating a general protection exception.

Workaround: None Identified.

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

BD117. Unexpected Load May Occur on Execution of Certain Opcodes

Problem: If software executes an instruction with an opcode of the form 66 OF 38 8x (where x is

in the range 0 to 6), the processor may unexpectedly perform a load operation (the data loaded is not used). The load occurs even if the instruction causes a VM exit or a fault (including an invalid-opcode exception). If the VMXON instruction has been executed successfully, the load is from the physical address in the VMXON pointer plus 408H; otherwise, it is from physical address 407H. The affected opcodes include the

INVEPT and INVVPID instructions as well as five invalid opcodes.

Implication: This erratum may cause incorrect side effects if the load accesses a memory-mapped

I/O device. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD118. 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 Table of Changes.

BD119. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD120. 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 guest. Intel has not observed this erratum with any

commercially available software.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD121. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD122. 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\_GLOAL\_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: Software may avoid this erratum by clearing the PerfMon counter value prior to

disabling it and then clearing the overflow status indication bit.

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

BD123. Package C6 C-State Exit May Result in Uncorrectable Memory Errors

Problem: On a subset of processors, during package C6 C-State transitions, internal circuit

marginality may cause uncorrectable memory errors to occur on exiting Package C6 C-State. The errors will be logged in IA32\_MCi\_STATUS MSR with MCACOD = 0x009F.

Workaround: Uncorrectable memory errors may cause a system reboot/shutdown.

Workaround: A BIOS code change has been identified and may be implemented as a workaround for

this erratum.

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

BD124. VMRESUME May Omit Check of Revision Identifier of Linked VMCS

Problem: If the VMCS link pointer is valid in the VMCS, VM entry instructions should check that

the 32 bits referenced by that pointer contains the processor's VMCS revision identifier and fail if it does not. Due to this erratum, VMRESUME may omit this check and thus

not cause VM entry to fail in some cases.

Implication: The revision identifier of the linked VMCS may not be checked. Intel has not observed

this erratum with any commercially available software.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD125. An INIT Signal May Cause Unpredictable Behavior After a VMXOFF

Problem: If software has used VMX-preemption timer and subsequently leaves VMX operation

This erratum may lead to unpredictable behavior, including a system hang. Intel has not observed this erratum with any commercially available software.using VMXOFF,

then an INIT signal may result in unpredictable behavior.

Implication: This erratum may lead to unpredictable behavior, including a system hang. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD126. APIC Timer Interrupts May be Lost During Core C3

Problem: APIC timer interrupts intended to awaken from core C3 may be lost under certain

timing conditions.

Implication: Due to this erratum, a lost timer interrupt may cause the system to hang.

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



BD127. 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 Table of Changes

BD128. APIC Timer Interrupt May be Lost

Problem: An APIC timer interrupt can be lost when it aligns precisely with an internal CPU

counter overflow condition (the overflow condition occurs once about every 90

minutes).

Implication: Due to this erratum, for certain programmed values of the APIC timer, the processor

may not recognize and service the interrupt.

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

Status: For the steppings affected, see the Summary Table of Changes

BD129. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD130. CR0.CD Is Ignored in VMX Operation

Problem: If CRO.CD=1, the MTRRs and PAT should be ignored and the UC memory type should

be used for all memory accesses. Due to this erratum, a logical processor in VMX

operation will operate as if CRO.CD=0 even if that bit is set to 1.



Implication: Algorithms that rely on cache disabling may not function properly in VMX operation. Workaround: Algorithms that rely on cache disabling should not be executed in VMX root operation.

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

BD131. Sensitivity in Execution Unit Clock Circuitry on a small subset of

Intel® Xeon® processor X5675, X5690 and X5687 May Result in

**Unpredictable System Behavior** 

Problem: Under a complex set of internal and platform conditions, the execution unit on a small

subset of Intel® Xeon® processor X5675, X5690 and X5687 may not complete some

instructions correctly.

Implication: Due to this erratum, the execution unit may not complete some instructions correctly,

leading to 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 Table of Changes*.

BD132. 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 micro-architectural events may cause an incorrect address translation or

machine check on either logical processor

Implication: This erratum may result in unexpected faults, an uncorrectable TLB error logged in

IA32\_MCi\_STATUS.MCACOD (bits [15:0]) with a value of 0000\_0000\_0001\_xxxxxb (where x stands for 0 or 1), a guest or hypervisor crash, or other 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 Table of Changes.

**BD133.** 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.



BD134. IA32\_VMX\_VMCS\_ENUM MSR (48AH) Does Not Properly Report The

**Highest Index Value Used For VMCS Encoding** 

Problem: IA32\_VMX\_VMCS\_ENUM MSR (48AH) bits 9:1 report the highest index value used for

any VMCS encoding. Due to this erratum, the value 21 is returned in bits 9:1 although

there is a VMCS field whose encoding uses the index value 23.

Implication: Software that uses the value reported in IA32\_VMX\_VMCS\_ENUM[9:1] to read and

write all VMCS fields may omit one field.

Workaround: None identified.

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

BD135. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD136. 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 Table of Changes*.

BD137. EOI-Broadcast Suppression May Not Function Properly if Enabled or

Disabled While an Interrupt is in Service

Problem: If a processor supports EOI-broadcast suppression, a write to the local APIC's EOI

register does not generate a broadcast EOI (even if the interrupt is level-triggered) if bit 12 of the local APIC's SVR (Spurious-Interrupt Vector Register) is set at the time of the write. Due to this erratum, the local APIC decides whether to generate a broadcast EOI based on the value that bit 12 of the SVR had at the time at which the most recent interrupt was delivered or the time of the most recent write to the EOI register

(whichever is later).

Implication: If software modifies bit 12 of SVR while servicing an interrupt, the next write to the EOI

register may not use the new bit value.

Workaround: Software should not modify bit 12 of SVR while servicing a level-triggered interrupt.



BD138. An Event May Intervene Before a System Management Interrupt That

**Results from IN or INS** 

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 that follows the execution of an IN or INS instruction

Implication: If software handling an affected SMI uses I/O instruction restart, the handler for the

intervening event will not be executed.

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.



#### **BIOS ACM Errata**

BD1. BIOS ACM May Report an Incorrect TXT.ERRORCODE in Multiprocessor

Configurations

Problem: In multiprocessor configurations, TXT.ERRORCODE error information may be lost across

BIOS ACM calls due to a synchronization problem.

Implication: In multiprocessor configurations, SINIT ACM errors may not be correctly reported in

TXT.ERRORCODE.

Workaround: Uniprocessor configurations are unaffected by this erratum. If the platform is changed

to a uniprocessor configuration, TXT.ERRORCODE will be reported accurately.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD2. BIOS ACM Reset TPM Auxiliary Indices Function Not Available\

Problem: Early server BIOS ACM releases do not support the new Reset TPM Auxiliary Indices

Function (ESI = 0x02).

Implication: Calls to the BIOS ACM Reset Auxiliary Indices function on affected ACM releases will

return control back to the caller without performing the function.

Workaround: None Identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD3. If Processor is Reset Without Resetting The IOH With Secrets in

Memory, The BIOS ACM Will Hand-off to BIOS With Memory Locked

Problem: The platform may assert reset only to the processor to change DDR speed or make

another configuration change. If cold reset or warm reset is asserted to the processor with secrets in memory without resetting the IOH, the BIOS ACM will hand off to BIOS

with memory locked.

Implication: With memory locked, BIOS will be unable to initialize memory, resulting in boot failure.

Workaround: If RESET# is asserted to both the processor and the IOH, exposure to this erratum

does not exist.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD4. BIOS ACM SCHECK May Set TPM Locality 0 to Inactive Status

Problem: If BIOS has set TPM locality 0 to be active, BIOS ACM SCHECK may reset TPM locality 0

to inactive.

Implication: BIOS implementations that depend upon locality 0 active status to be preserved across

SCHECK may not behave as expected.

Workaround: BIOS can set TPM locality 0 to active after SCHECK if necessary.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the *BIOS ACM Errata Table*.

BD5. If BIOS policy Autopromotion Fails, TXT.ACMCRASHCODE And

TXT.ACMSTATUS May Have Incorrect Values

Problem: If BIOS policy autopromotion fails, TXT.ACMCRASHCODE and TXT.SPAD may have

incorrect values.



Implication: BIOS implementations depending upon TXT.ACMCRASHCODE or TXT.SPAD may not

identify BIOS policy autopromotion failure.

Workaround: None Identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD6. The BIOS ACM May Write Error Codes to The Wrong Register

Problem: The BIOS ACM may incorrectly write error codes to TXT.ERRORCODE (offset 0030h)

instead of TXT.BIOSACM.ERRORCODE (offset 0328h).

Implication: TXT.ERRORCODE may be overwritten with BIOS ACM error codes.

Workaround: None Identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD7. NPW BIOS ACMs May Allow Launch of an MLE When The Launch

**Control Policy Disallows NPW Launch** 

Problem: With the affected NPW (Non-Production Worthy) BIOS ACMs, the Measured Launch

Environment (e.g., virtual machine monitor or operating system) may boot when the

MLE launch control policy disallows NPW boot.

Implication: Measured Launch Environments may boot with NPW BIOS ACMs even if the MLE launch

control policy disallows NPW boot.

Workaround: None Identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD8. TPM PCR17 Not Extended with BIOS ACM values

Problem: With the affected BIOS ACMs, TPM (Trusted Platform Module) Platform Configuration

Register PCR17 may not be extended with the BIOS ACM version or Non-Production

Worthy bit.

Implication: On platforms using the affected BIOS ACMs, software depending upon PCR17

attestation may not behave as expected.

Workaround: None Identified.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.

BD9. BIOS ACM May Exit to BIOS with TPM locality 3 activated

Problem: In multiprocessor configurations, under certain race conditions the BIOS ACM may exit

to BIOS with TPM locality 3 activated.

Implication: If TPM locality 3 is left activated, BIOS will be unable to activate locality and trusted

boot will fail.

Workaround: Uniprocessor configurations are unaffected by this erratum. If the platform is changed

to a uniprocessor configuration, TPM locality 3 will not be activated on exit to BIOS.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.



#### **SINIT ACM Errata**

BD1. SINIT Buffer Overflow Vulnerability

Problem: SINIT Authenticated Code Module (ACM) 1.0 is susceptible to a buffer overflow issue.

Implication: When Intel® Trusted Execution Technology measured launch is invoked using SINIT

Authenticated Code Module 1.0, the platform is susceptible to an OS kernel-level

exploit which may compromise certain SINIT ACM functionality.

Workaround: It is possible for a BIOS update and an updated SINIT ACM 1.1 to be used as a

workaround for this erratum. Previous SINIT ACM releases will no longer function with

the BIOS update.

Status: For the steppings affected, see the BIOS ACM Errata Table.



## **Specification Changes**

The Specification Changes listed in this section apply to the following documents:

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