User's Guide AM62L (AM62L32, AM62L31) Processor Family Schematic Design Guidelines and Schematic Review Checklist



ABSTRACT

The user's guide includes schematic design guidelines, implementation recommendations, and schematic review checklist for board designers using the AM62L32, AM62L31 processors. The user's guide discusses the processor configurations, processor peripherals and the interface to attached (external) devices. Schematic review checklist at the end of each section, provides a comprehensive list of review points for each of the peripheral and guidelines section for board designers to verify a custom board.

Additionally, links are provided to processor product pages, processor related collaterals, FAQs related to processor and processor peripherals published on E2E, and some of the commonly referenced documents. The board designers can reference to the links during custom board design to minimize design errors, optimize the design efforts and optimize the timeline.

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1 Introduction

1.1 User's Guide Usage Guidelines

The user's guide (*Schematic Design Guidelines and Schematic Review Checklist*) provides custom board design guidelines that can be used by board designers during custom board schematic design and schematic review checklist at the end of each section that can be used by board designers to review the custom board schematics.

1.1.1 Custom Board Design - Implementation References

The user's guide provides schematic design guidelines and schematic review checklist that can be used during custom board hardware design using the selected processor and peripherals (on-board or add-on) including memory, power, interface and other functional blocks.

Processor references to the selected processor and the attached device references to the external (on-board or add-on) peripherals that are interfaced to the processor based on the end equipment being designed and the application use case.

1.1.2 Processor Family Specific User's Guide

The user's guide is for the AM62Lx (AM62L32, AM62L31) family of processors and covers custom board schematic design guidelines and schematic review checklist. The user's guide is specific to AM62Lx family of processors and is easy-to-use for the chosen family of processors.

1.1.3 Schematic Design Guidelines

The user's guide provides schematic design guidelines for all the peripherals supported by AM62Lx processor family. Board designers can follow schematic design guidelines during the custom board schematic design. Along with the guidelines, links to FAQs have been added for use during custom board schematic design.

Schematic design guidelines can help board designers reduce the design efforts and minimize design errors that can affect functionality and performance.

1.1.4 Schematic Review Checklist

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Schematic review checklist at the end of each section has been newly added to the user's guide. All the relevant peripheral or power sections in the user's guide includes checklist categorized as General, Schematic Review, and Additional. Board designers can use the checklist to do a self-review of the custom board design schematic to minimize possible errors that can cause functional or performance issues resulting in increased custom board.

Refer to the FAQ for information on available checklists and format: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Schematics review checklists

1.1.5 FAQ Reference for User's Guide Usage Guidelines

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Custom Board Schematics Self Review



1.2 List of Processors

The user's guide applies to all the processors listed below. All relevant documents are available on the product pages on TI.com. Follow the processor page link below to access the product page.

1.2.1 AM62Lx Processor Family

See the Ordering and Quality section on the AM62L product page for information on supported OPNs:

• AM62L

2 Related Collaterals

2.1 Links to Commonly Available and Applicable Collaterals

There are a number of documents relevant to the selected processor available on the processor-specific product page on TI.com. Before starting the custom board design, reading all the documents by the board designers is strongly recommended.

The below link summarize the collaterals that can be referred to when starting the custom board design.

[FAQ] AM62L: Custom board hardware design – Collaterals to Get started

2.2 Hardware Design Considerations for Custom Board Design

Before starting the custom board design, the recommendation is to read through and take note of the recommendations in the processor-specific *Hardware Design Considerations for Custom Board Design* user's guide linked below:

Hardware Design Considerations for Custom Board Design Using AM62L (AM62L32, AM62L31) Family of Processors

3 Processor Selection

3.1 AM62Lx Processor Family Change Summary (With Respect to AM62x Processor Family)

Below are some of the processor implementations to note during the AM62Lx-based custom board designs or changes to note when migrating from the AM62x design to the AM62Lx design:

- 1. The core supply voltage is fixed to 0.75V
- 2. Reset inputs and Reset status outputs have been optimized
- 3. Implementation of 1.8V only IOs in addition to dual-voltage 1.8V/3.3V IOs. The IO supply for IO groups rails have been named accordingly
- 4. Buffer Type 1P8-LVCMOS and RTC-LVCMOS have been implemented and Electrical Characteristics is added
- 5. Some of the processor peripherals including CPSW3G0 and OSPI0 support only 1.8V IO levels
- 6. DDR4 and LPDDR4 supported memory range is reduced (supports single rank)
- 7. OSPI0 interface support x2 interfaces (can be interface to 2 attached devices)
- 8. Non Muxed interface (connection of address bus and data bus separately) using GPMC0 not supported
- 9. Integrated LDO for generating 1.8V/3.3V SD interface IO supply to support UHS-I SD card
- 10. Integrated 1x 10-bit Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC), Up to 1MSPS, 4x analog inputs (time-multiplexed)
- 11. Reduced pincount Using only 4 of the bootstrap pins BOOTMODE[15:12], Boot from eFuse configured with the reduced pincount configuration and Full pincount Using all 16 of the bootstrap pins BOOTMODE[15:0]
- 12. Ethernet boot is not supported
- 13. Display interface supported includes MIPI DSI (4 lanes DPHY) or DPI (24-bit RGB LVCMOS) (Any one of the display interface are actively supported)
- 14. Camera Serial Interface (CSI-2) is not supported
- 15. RTC only and RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh low-power modes are supported (Partial IO for CAN/GPIO/ UART wakeup not supported)
- 16. EXT_WAKEUP0 and EXT_WAKEUP1 pins for External Wakeup Inputs
- 17. I2C interfaces including open-drain output type I2C interface have been optimized
- 18. IOSETs added for multiple peripherals (refer processor-specific data sheet)
- 19. One VTM temp sensor provided, Temp Sensor 0: DDR/A53

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- 20. VMON_VSYS Voltage monitor pin is not supported
- 21. VMON_3P3_SOC Voltage monitor for 3.3V processor power supply and VMON_1P8_SOC Voltage monitor for 1.8V processor power supply are not supported
- 22. PMIC_LPM_EN0 has a special output cell that turns on a weak pullup as soon as power is applied. The weak internal pullup turns off at the same time the output is driven high on the rising edge of RTC_PORz (An external pull was required on AM62Lx processors because the PMIC_LPM_EN0 IO was turned off while reset was asserted. In this case, the PMIC never turns on without the external pullup resistor)
- 23. Pin connectivity requirements for I2C interface with open-drain output type I2C buffers has been updated. A pullup is required only when the IO is used

3.2 Data Sheet Use Case and Version Referenced

Processor-specific data sheet includes pin attributes (pin-to-function mapping), signal descriptions, pin connectivity requirements, electrical characteristics, timing and switching characteristics, and timing diagrams for all the applicable processor peripherals and recommended operating conditions, power sequencing for all the processor supply rails.

List of data sheet with revision number referenced during the user's guide update:

AM62Lx

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For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Current Data sheet revision, updates and usage notes

3.3 Processor Selection (OPN Orderable Part Number)

To get an overview of the processor architecture and for selecting the processor (base production part number), features, package (ANB) and speed grade, see the *Functional Block Diagram* and *Device Comparison* sections of the processor-specific data sheet.

Refer to *Device Comparison* section, *Device and Documentation Support* section of the processor-specific data sheet to choose the required processor OPN.

The recommendation is to update the selected processor ordering part number in the schematics with the chosen OPN.

3.4 Peripheral Instance Naming Convention

For peripherals naming and instances, the processor-specific TRM tends to be *generic* and the processor-specific data sheet is *specific*.

In the data sheet, a suffix number is assigned, even when there is a single peripheral instance. Documents that reference the peripheral name do not need to change from processor to processor.

The suffix starts with 0. For the common platform Ethernet switch 3-port gigabit (CPSW3G) port names, port 0 is the internal (communications port programming interface (CPPI) host) port of the switch.

3.5 Unused Peripherals

Peripherals that have a dedicated function have connectivity requirements when not used. Refer to the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of processor-specific data sheet for connecting unused peripherals. The connectivity requirements include recommendations to connect the power supplies and the interface signals.

Peripherals (processor IOs) that have alternate functions, when not used can be left unconnected when there are no connectivity requirements specified. The pad configurations can be the reset state configuration.

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Data sheet Pin Attributes and Pin connectivity related queries

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.



3.6 Processor Ordering and Quality

For information related to ordering and quality for the selected processor family, see the link below:

AM62L. Look for AM62L32 in the Ordering and Quality section.

3.7 Processor Selection Checklist

General

During the custom board schematic design process, review and verify the following collaterals and information:

- 1. Device selection (selected processor OPN (Orderable part number) based on the required features)
- 2. Pin attributes (Ball names, Signal names and the contents of each column including power) and pin mapping as per the data sheet
- 3. Pin connectivity requirements (for used and unused, peripherals)
- 4. Connection recommendations for RSVD (reserved) pin
- 5. Debug provision on-board for probing (OBSCLKn [n = 0-1] and CLKOUT0)
- 6. Errata related to the supported boot modes and the peripherals of interest
- 7. Recommended operating conditions, power-up and power-down sequencing for core, memory interface, analog and IO supplies
- 8. Electrical characteristics and timing information for selected peripherals
- 9. Application notes, Implementation recommendations, and Layout guidelines for selected peripherals

4 Power Architecture

For an overview, see the TI Power management page.

Additionally, *WEBENCH[®] circuit designer tool* provides a visual interface that creates customized power supply and active filter circuits.

4.1 Generating Supply Rails

The required supply rails for the selected processor are generated using integrated or discrete power architecture. Use of integrated power architecture (PMIC) simplifies design of processor-specific power architecture (power supplies). The PMIC generates commonly used supply rails to power the processor and the attached devices. Manages power-up sequencing, power-down sequencing, and supply slew rate control, and meet the processor-specific power requirements. Along with the PMIC, use additional DC/DC converters and LDOs to generate additional on-board supplies, based on the use case.

Discrete power architecture provides flexibility in design and component selection. Board designer is responsible for power device selection that sources the required current, provides the required output voltages, supports the required load transient response, controls supply slew rate, and supply sequencing.

Processor power supply rails have slew rate requirements specified. Follow the section *Power Supply Slew Rate Requirement* of processor-specific data sheet for all the generated or switched supply rails.

The recommended family of devices and related collaterals for generating the on-board supplies using different power architectures are summarized in the next sections.

4.1.1 AM62Lx

4.1.1.1 Power Management IC (PMIC)

Refer to the EVM schematics for the supported or tested PMIC based power architecture. The TPS65214x PMIC family supports RTC + IO + DDR self-refresh low-power mode.

For custom board design using DDR4, there can be a change in the PMIC NVM configuration, supply rails generated by the PMIC and power architecture to support low power mode. Refer to the available documentation on AM62L processor product page and TPS65214 PMIC product page on TI.com or use E2E when designing custom board with DDR4.

Refer to *AM62L Power Supply Implementation* application note on processor product page for description of AM62L power architecture implementation for different application use cases and low-power modes.

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Refer FAQ related to residual voltage and detection:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62D-Q1 / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design – Queries related to Residual Voltage and Detection

4.1.1.1.1 PMIC Based Power Architecture Checklist for TPS65214x

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. PMIC selection (orderable part number of NVM revision) based on the DDR configuration (LPDDR4, DDR4)
- 3. Addition of required input and output capacitors including values, feedback configuration, and pin connections
- 4. Voltage rating of the selected capacitors considering derating (> twice the worst-case applied voltage is a commonly used guideline)
- 5. Configuration of the recommended PMIC control and IO signals including control of load switch or DC/DC to sequence the processor IO supply sequence
- 6. Naming of the supply rails (indicate configured output voltage level)
- 7. Matching of the PMIC voltage levels with the supply requirements for the processor and attached devices
- 8. Net name matches (same name) for processor and attached devices IO supplies
- 9. Connections with the processor to support low-power modes (when low-power modes are used)

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the custom PMIC implementation with the EVM schematic implementation for capacitors and values, IOs connections, and Buck output feedback connection
- 2. Processor to PMIC and PMIC to processor IO interface connections
- 3. Connection of the required control signals for processor IO supply sequencing (load switch EN for processor and attached device IO supply output voltage slew rate control)
- 4. Processor and PMIC I2C interface used versus recommend, considering the use case
- 5. SD card IO voltage (using internal LDO) control configuration pin connection (3.3V during processor or board reset and switched to 1.8V)
- 6. PMIC nRSTOUT slew (pullup value) when connected directly to processor PORz (and RTC_PORz) input (recommend using a discrete push-pull output buffer)
- 7. Connection of interrupt, MODE/STBY, and EN/PB/VSENSE signals
- 8. Configuration of other discrete DC/DC supplies and LDOs used along with the PMIC
- VPP supply (eFuse programming) external LDO implementation, output control and addition of bulk and decoupling capacitors considering load current transient and provision for isolation resistor for testing the VPP enable timing
- 10. Connection of the required pulls for the PMIC IOs
- 11. PMIC IO connected to processor RTC_PORz when configured for low-power mode

Additional

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- 1. In case the power architecture is based on TI PMIC, obtain a review of the implementation done with the PMIC business unit or product line.
- 2. A 0Ω resistor or jumper is recommended at the output of the supply rails (Buck, LDO) for isolation or current measurement for the initial board build. Select resistors that are rated for the supply rail current
- 3. Show the PMIC input bulk capacitors connection for buck inputs and VSYS separately and near to each of the pin separately for ease of placement and routing.
- 4. Follow the EVM implementation
- 5. Reviewed and followed the FAQ related to residual voltage.

4.1.1.1.2 Additional References

For more information, see the following sections in the processor-specific data sheet.



- Device Connection and Layout Fundamentals
- Power Supply
- Power Supply Designs

4.1.1.2 Discrete Power

View AM62L product page on TI.com for recommended discrete power architecture.

Refer to the EVM schematics for implementing the RTC supplies using LDOs and generating the main 3.3V supply using DC/DC converter.

AM62L product page provides the updated information on the available power architecture.

The below section can be referenced when a discrete power architecture implementation is considered:

Power architecture is based on discrete DC/DC converters and LDOs. The power sequence is implemented using the power good output and discrete logic.

Take note of the PORz (L->H) hold time (delay) (for oscillator start-up) requirements (after all the processor supplies ramp) specified in the data sheet. when a custom discrete power architecture is considered.

PORz is required to be held low (active) during power-up until all the processor supplies are valid (using external crystal circuit) plus minimum delay of 9.5ms or PORz held low (active) until all the processor supplies are valid and external clock is stable (when using external LVCMOS clock source) plus minimum delay of 1.2µs.

4.1.1.2.1 DC/DC Converter

Consider DC/DC converters such as the TPS63070 or LM5141 devices.

For an overview of the DC/DC converters available, see the AC/DC & DC/DC converters (integrated FET) page.

Refer below links for additional information:

Quick Reference Guide To TI Buck Switching DC/DC Application Note

Power Supply Design training resources - Video library

4.1.1.2.2 LDO

Consider LDO devices such as TPS74501 and TLV75518.

For an overview of the LDOs available, see the TI Linear and low-dropout (LDO) regulators page.

Refer below links for additional information:

Low Dropout Regulators Quick Reference Guide

Linear Regulator Design Guide For LDOs

A Topical Index of TI LDO Application Notes

4.1.1.2.3 Discrete Power Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section, including relevant application notes
- 2. The configured output voltage and the required current rating for all the supply rails
- 3. Output voltage feedback connection and feedback divider resistors tolerance
- 4. Selected discrete DC/DC architecture supports active discharge
- 5. Slew rate of discrete DC/DC outputs connected to the processor meets the processor supply slew requirements and sequencing of all the supply rails as per the processor requirement
- 6. PORz input (PG output) slew rate (connect through discrete push-pull output buffer) and L to H delay (PORz input low hold time) implementation after all the supplies ramp
- 7. Voltage rating of the selected capacitors considering derating (> twice the worst-case applied voltage is a commonly used guideline)

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- Discrete DC/DC or LDO device selection including output voltage level and current rating, active discharge capability, residual voltage detection (Allow to power-up only when the supply voltages are < 0.3V after power-down)
- Implementation of SD card interface IO supply supporting UHS-I SD card and eFuse programming VPP supply
- 10. Naming of the supply rails (indicate configured output voltage level)
- 11. Matching of the discrete DC/DC or LDO output voltage levels with the supply requirements (ROC) for the processor and attached devices
- 12. Supply net names matches (same name) for processor and attached devices IO supplies

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. The resistor divider value including tolerance connected to the feedback input to generate the required output supply voltage matches with the calculated value
- 2. PG outputs have the required pullup and connects to the other discrete DC/DC or LDO EN for supply sequencing
- 3. Discrete DC/DC or LDO outputs slew rate
- 4. PORz input low hold time after supplies ramp, in case the discrete DC/DC PG output connects directly to the processor PORz input

Additional

- 1. In case the power architecture is based on TI power, obtain a review of the implementation done with the relevant business unit or product line
- 2. A 0Ω resistor or jumper is recommended at the output of the supply rails for isolation or current measurement for the initial board build. Select resistors that are rated for the supply rail current

4.2 Power Control and Circuit Protection

4.2.1 Load Switch (Power Switching)

Load switches are used to control (turn on and off) power to a specific peripheral or sub-system powered by the same supply rail, instead of using multiple DC/DC converters or LDOs to generate the supply. In some applications, there is a recommended power-up and power-down sequence that is recommended to be followed. Load switches simplifies the implementation of power sequencing to meet the power-up and power-down sequence requirements. The load switch enable is controlled by the PMIC or DC/DC converter PG to meet the processor power sequencing requirements.

Consider load switches such as TPS22965, TPS22918, TPS22902, and TPS22946.

For an overview of the load switches available, see the TI *load switches* page.

4.2.1.1 Load Switch Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Load switch current rating
- 3. Sequencing of the load switch enable (PMIC GPIO or DC/DC PG)
- 4. Output voltage slew rate configuration
- 5. Voltage rating of the selected capacitors considering derating (> twice the worst-case applied voltage is a commonly used guideline)

Schematic review

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Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:



- 1. Input and output capacitor values and voltage rating
- 2. Output voltage slew rate is configured (capacitor value selection) per the processor IO supply slew rate requirements

4.2.2 eFuse IC (Power Switching and Protection)

eFuse power switching and protection ICs are integrated power path protection devices that are used to limit circuit current and voltages to a safe level during fault conditions. eFuses offer many benefits to the design and include protection features that are often difficult to implement with discrete components. For an overview of the eFuses available, see the TI *eFuses and hot swap controllers* page.

5 General Recommendations

The below general recommendations section contains the recommendations and guidelines for board designers to be familiar while designing the custom board.

5.1 Processor Performance Evaluation Module (EVM)

Processor (hardware) performance evaluation modules and platforms (EVMs) are not reference designs, the modules and platforms do not represent a proper or complete board or system implementation. In many cases, the EVMs are partially or completely designed and released for fabrication before the processor design is complete. The timeline is so that a hardware platform is available when the first silicon arrives. New processor requirements come up during processor bring-up and bench validation. All the new requirements are not accounted for in the hardware evaluation platform. Therefore, TI expects board designers to carefully review and follow all requirements defined in the processor-specific data sheet, silicon errata, and TRM when designing the custom board.

Processor (hardware) performance evaluation platforms are not designed to be comprehensive of any board or system specific requirements, such as EMI or EMC purposes (reduce radiated emissions), noise susceptibility, thermal management, and so forth.

See the following FAQ for design update notes that board designers can refer along with the EVM schematics: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A Common design Errors / Recommendations for Custom board hardware design – SK Schematics Design Update Note

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

5.1.1 Evaluation Module Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. EVM referenced matches the selected processor family
- Processor package on the referenced EVM board matches with the processor selected for custom board design
- 4. The EVM schematic revision being referenced includes D-Notes, R-Notes, and CAD Notes

5.2 Processor-Specific EVM Versus Data Sheet

In case of any discrepancy between the processor-specific EVM and the data sheet during evaluation or the custom board design, follow the data sheet. Despite the best efforts by the board designer, the EVM can contain errors that still function but are not completely aligned with the data sheet specifications.

5.2.1 Notes About Component Selection

Selection of EVM components is not always optimized. Review the BOM and optimize the component selection based on the data sheet recommendations, application requirements, and board circuit design.

Design calculations, design review, and performing board level tests and measurements as required is recommended before finalizing the components value and ratings (such as voltage and power).

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5.2.1.1 Series Resistor

The recommended values for the series resistors are a starting point for board designers. Verify the values on the custom board design and adjust accordingly (step function that occurs on the pin is not near the mid-supply).

5.2.1.2 Parallel Pull Resistor

Provide provisions for adding parallel pulls to the processor IOs. Parallel pull polarity and the values depend on the specific peripheral connectivity recommendations, recommendations for improved processor performance, and relevant interface or standards requirements.

Processor-specific EVM pull values can be used as a starting point and board designer can select the appropriate pull values based on the recommendations for the processor and attached device, or specific board design implementation.

When traces are connected to the processor IO pads and is not being actively driven, a parallel pull is recommended. Pull polarity is design use case dependent. During reset, processor IO buffers are off and the IOs are in a high impedance state, effectively serving as an antenna that picks up noise. Without any termination, the IOs are in high impedance state. High impedance makes noise easily couple energy on the floating signal trace and develop a potential that can exceed the recommended operating conditions, which creates an electrical over-stress (EOS) on the IOs. Electrostatic discharge (ESD) protection circuits inside the processor are designed to protect the device from handling before being installed on a PCB assembly.

5.2.1.3 Drive Strength Configuration

TI currently does not support configuring any other drive strength besides the nominal (default) value for SDIO and LVCMOS buffers, as the nominal value is the only configuration at which chip-level STA (Static Timing Analysis) is closed. The nominal value corresponds to a 40Ω for SDIO and 60Ω for LVCMOS. The IBIS model has been updated to contain only drive strengths where the timing is closed internally.

Refer to the FAQ for information related to drive strength configuration support: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - I/O Drive Strength Configuration for SDIO and LVCMOS

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

5.2.1.4 Data Sheet Recommendations

The board designers are responsible for implementing whatever precautions are necessary or required to establish that the custom board design does not violate the requirements specified in the processor-specific data sheet. Example processor requirements include I2C Open-Drain and Fail-Safe (I2C OD FS) Electrical Characteristics - Input Slew Rate.

When data sheet recommendations are not available, use recommendations provided in the following checklist or implementation in the EVM schematic as a starting point.

5.2.1.5 Processor IOs - External ESD Protection

An external ESD protection is recommended to any of the processor IOs connected directly to an external connector or exposed to external inputs, because internal ESD protection circuit were not designed to handle the board level ESD requirements. For an overview of the ESD protection devices, see the TI *ESD protection* page.

5.2.1.6 Peripheral Clock Output Series Resistor

Series resistor on the clock output near to the processor clock output pin is recommended to resolve issues with signal distortion at the source of the clock since the clock output is also used for retiming. For MMCx and OSPI, an unbonded pad is used (internal), so a series resistor is not a requirement. In some cases, a low value series resistor is added for signal integrity purpose. The recommendation is to have the series resistor as a place holder just in case for improving signal integrity.

5.2.1.7 Component Selection Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:



- 1. The sections above, including relevant application notes
- 2. Selection of resistor values, tolerance, size and wattage
- 3. Only specific resistors need 1% tolerance (refer to the processor or attached device data sheet, EVM schematics)
- 4. Standard tolerance resistors can be used for other use cases, example: pullup, pulldown or series resistor
- 5. Compare the pull values on the custom board with the EVM schematics
- Voltage rating of the capacitors used to include derating (> twice the worst-case applied voltage is a commonly used guideline)
- 7. Voltage rating of capacitors considering DC bias effect (to be within the recommended value)
- 8. Package selection (application and use case dependent, consider voltage and temperature range)
- 9. Selection of compatible attached devices (DDR and flash memory, EPHY)
- 10. Recommended memory size, selection of required memory size (DDR) and providing provision for expanding the memory as required
- 11. Reviewed the FAQ related to passive components value, tolerance and voltage rating

Refer to the FAQs as a starting point for information on key components used on the EVMs and SKs, component values and tolerances:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Starter kit / EVM variants (versions) and Key components list

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Queries related to passive components values, tolerance, voltage rating

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

5.2.2 Additional Information Regarding Reuse of EVM Design

5.2.2.1 Updated EVM Schematic With Design, Review and CAD Notes Added

During custom board design, designers frequently reuse the EVM design files and edit the design file. Alternatively, designers reuse common implementations, including processor, memory and communication interfaces. The EVM is expected to have additional functions, so designers optimize the EVM implementation to fit board design requirements. While optimizing the EVM schematics, errors are introduced into the custom design that cause functional, performance or reliability problems. When optimizing, designers have queries regarding the EVM implementation, resulting in design errors. Many of the optimization and design errors are common across designs. Based on the multiple board designers inputs and data sheet pin connectivity recommendations, comprehensive Design Notes (D-Note), Review Notes (R-Note) and CAD Notes (CAD-Note) are added near each section of the EVM schematic for designers to review and follow to minimize errors.

Additional files part of the design downloads have been included to support evaluation.

TMDS62LEVM: https://www.ti.com/lit/zip/sprcal6

The downloadable documents are listed in the product overview document added to the zip file above.

Refer to the FAQ that includes the PDF schematics and additional information related to EVM TMDS62LEVM:

[FAQ] AM62L: Custom board hardware design - Design and Review notes for Reuse of EVM TMDS62LEVM Schematics

5.2.2.2 EVM Design Files Reuse

Based on the design approach followed during the custom board design and project schedule, the EVM design files can be reused as a starting point to make the required updates. The recommendation is to verify the EVM implementation and component selection.

The following FAQ summarize the considerations board designers are required to be familiar with when reusing TI EVM design files.

[FAQ] AM62L: Custom board hardware design - Reusing TI EVM design files



5.2.2.2.1 Modular Schematic Sections

The number of pages in the EVM schematics has been increased. Each page now has specific section for easy review and reuse. The pages have been arranged in the order of priority of usage. A commonly used section of the EVM schematics are listed in the starting pages of the schematics. Sections that enhance the performance or are optional for custom board design have been listed below the commonly used schematic sections.

5.2.2.2.2 Reuse of EVM Design Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Latest version of the selected or required EVM design is referenced
- 3. D-Notes and R-Notes are considered
- 4. Resetting of component DNIs configuration when saved as a different project or the schematic pages or circuit sections are rearranged
- 5. The change in connections including off-page connections when the schematics design is translated to an alternate CAD tool

5.3 Before Beginning the Design

5.3.1 Documentation

During the custom board design cycle, the recommendation is to refer to or use the latest version of the documentation, examples include the processor-specific data sheet, silicon errata, TRM, and other commonly referenced design collaterals. Verify the processor-specific product page for the latest available documents or addition of new documents.

Tips for documentation search: Search the documentation for words such as: *recommended*, *require*, *do not*, *note*, *pin connectivity*, and so forth. Important criteria for the processor typically contain one or more words.

Tips to get updated information: On a TI.com processor product page, there is a *Notifications* button. Registering at the button enables automatic notification of processor documentation changes.

5.3.2 Processor Pin Attributes (Pinout) Verification

Verify the following pin attributes:

- Processor pin label corresponds to the correct pin numbers listed in the *Pin Attributes* section of the processor-specific data sheet. Maintain the data sheet names in the symbol and change the function (net) names per the application use case.
- Supply voltages that are connected to the processor power pins are within the *Recommended Operating Conditions*.
- All the processor pins (grouped into functions and having separate symbol blocks), including reserved pins, are included in the schematics to minimize tool related and functional errors.
- Most of the processor IOs TX (output) and RX (input) buffers and pulls are turned off during reset. External
 pull resistors are recommended to hold inputs of any attached device in a valid logic state until software
 initializes the IOs when a TP or trace is connected and IOs are not being actively driven. Use of pull resistor
 depends on the attached device IO capabilities.
- For improved performance of the custom board, recommendations include implementing external monitoring of voltage, current, or temperature.

Refer to the FAQ for queries related to processor-specific data sheet pin attributes.

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Data sheet Pin Attributes and Pin connectivity related queries

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

5.3.3 Device Comparison, IOSET and Voltage Conflict

Refer to the note regarding shared IO pins in the *Device Comparison* section of the processor-specific data sheet. IOSETs are a grouping of signals specific to an interface that are timed as a set including the supply rails



voltage level. The IOSETs make sure that the same IO supply for IO group is used for the signal pairs. IOSETs are enforced by the SysConfig tool. The processor is timing closed using IOSETs. Any interface that has IOSETs is recommended to select all interface signals from the same IOSET. Some interface signals can be shared over multiple IOSETs. The valid pin combinations are detailed in the SysConfig-PinMux tool. Take note of possible IO supply for IO group mismatch between the IOs used for a specific interface based on the use case.

Refer to the FAQ for information on Voltage conflict and IOSET: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Queries related to SysConfig-PinMux IOSET and Voltage Conflict

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

5.3.4 RSVD Reserved Pin (Signal)

The pin named RSVD is reserved. Leave the RSVD pin unconnected (no TP connected) as recommended in the data sheet.

The recommendation is to not connect any PCB trace or test point to RSVD pin.

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 Custom board hardware design – Connection recommendations for RSVD pins

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

5.3.5 Note on PADCONFIG Registers

Many of the processor IOs support multiplexing of functions. The IO function is chosen from multiple functions. The list of functions available for each pad is enumerated in the *SIGNAL NAME* column in the *Pin Attributes* table of the processor-specific data sheet.

The required function is selected through the MUXMODE field of the associated pad configuration register. The PADCFG_CTRL0_CFG0_PADCONFIG0 to PADCFG_CTRL0_CFG0_PADCONFIG146 registers control the signal multiplexing of IOs in the processor main domain.

The *Pad Configuration PADCONFIG Registers* table in the *Pad Configuration Registers* section of the processorspecific TRM summarizes the Bit Field Reset Values for all the PADCONFIG registers. Follow the notes listed at the end of the table while configuring the PADCONFIG registers. Never set the RXACTIVE bit without a valid logic state sourced to the pin that is associated with the respective PADCONFIG register. A floating input can damage the processor or affect reliability.

5.3.6 Processor IO (Signal) Isolation for Fail-Safe Operation

In case the processor and the attached devices or an additional processor are powered by different power sources, signal isolation is recommended because most of the processor IOs are not fail-safe. The recommendations are to route the signals through a FET bus switch circuit designed to automatically isolate the two devices anytime the IO power is not valid for both devices. The FET bus switch and control logic are recommended to be powered from an always-on power supply and only enabled by an AND function of power good signals from different power sources.

5.3.7 Reference to Processor-Specific EVM

When specific recommendations are not available in the processor-specific data sheet, for implementation examples and values, refer to the processor-specific EVM *TMDS62LEVM* schematic.

5.3.8 High-Speed Interface Design Guidelines

For detailed recommendations on USB2.0 signals connection and routing, see the *High-Speed Interface Layout Guidelines*. Include appropriate constraints or routing requirements to be followed during the custom board design.

For USB interface, a common-mode choke can be added to improve the custom board performance when operating in harsh industrial environments. Adding common-mode choke can reduce the signal amplitude and degrade performance. Add provisions to bypass the common-mode choke using 0Ω resistors. Consider adding external ESD protection based on the application requirement.



5.3.9 Recommended Current Source or Sink for LVCMOS (GPIO) Outputs

The DC current outputs sourced is required to remain less than the maximum I_{OH} and I_{OL} values defined to achieve the V_{OL} maximum and V_{OH} minimum values defined in the respective *Electrical Characteristics* table. The recommendation is to not source or sink currents above the limits defined in the processor-specific data sheet and preferred DC current source or sink is to be significantly less that the limits as to not increase thermal or other problems.

Switching high levels of current can create electrical noise that can couple to other circuits and require additional decoupling capacitors on the respective IO power rail.

5.3.10 Connection of Slow Ramp Inputs or Capacitors to LVCMOS IOs (Inputs or Outputs)

LVCMOS inputs have slew rate requirements specified. Connecting slow ramp signal directly to the LVCMOS inputs or capacitors at the LVCMOS inputs is not recommended. When a slow ramp input is applied, CMOS input has shoot-through current that flow from VDD through the partially turned on P-channel transistor and the partially turned on N-channel transistor to VSS, when the input is at mid-supply. Accumulated exposure to slow ramps results in performance or reliability concerns.

LVCMOS output buffers are not designed to drive large capacitive loads. When LVCMOS type IOs are configured as output and connected to capacitor, follow the data sheet recommendations for the allowed capacitor value or add series resistor to limit the IO current or perform simulations.

5.3.11 Queries and Clarifications Related to Processor During Custom Board Design

For gueries and clarifications related to processor selection, features and guidelines, TI recommends using the *E2E* forum. Use E2E to ask questions or refer to related questions and previous answers.

5.3.12 Before Beginning the Design Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Processor schematics symbol used on custom board schematic follows the ball name, pin numbers and IOSET grouping recommendations for specific peripherals per the corresponding processor-specific data sheet Pin Attributes section
- 3. The required IO functions and PAD configuration are considered
- 4. Fail-safe operation and loading requirements for processor IOs are considered
- 5. Buffering of the processor IOs (outputs) based on the use case to drive higher load
- 6. Latest version of the selected EVM design is referenced

Additional

- 1. Refer to the relevant collaterals on TI.com to minimize design errors and optimize design efforts
- Frequently check the product folder on TI.com for the latest documents revision (for the documents of interest)
- Use E2E to seek clarification

5.3.13 Device Recommendations

TI does not make device recommendations.

The recommendation is to refer the DDR Electrical Characteristics section of the data sheet for selection of DDR4, LPDDR4 memory.

The MMCSD host controller and PHY associated with the MMC0 are designed in compliance with the standard, as described in the data sheet and TRM.

The recommendation is to refer the MMC0 - eMMC/SD/SDIO Interface section of the data sheet when selecting the eMMC or SD card.

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Refer to the FAQ as a starting point for information on key components used on the EVMs and SKs: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Starter kit / EVM variants (versions) and Key components list

6 Processor-Specific Recommendations

6.1 Common (Processor Start-Up) Connection

6.1.1 Power Supply

Follow the recommendations listed below:

- The power requirement for each of the supply rail varies based on the interfaces used and the operating environment.
- The current draw of processor supply rails is estimated using the *Power Estimation Tool (PET)*. If the supply rail powers the other on-board attached (peripheral) devices, include the maximum current draw of the devices.
- For power supply sizing and information on the maximum current rating for different processor supply rails, refer AM62L Maximum Current Ratings application note. (See the processor-specific (AM62L) product page on TI.com).
- Verify the output current ratings of the selected power architecture (including PMIC, DC/DC converters and LDOs) meet the maximum current requirements of processor and all attached devices. Add additional margins for design variances.
- Verify the recommended power supply sequence (power-up and power-down) is followed. For the recommended power sequencing requirements, refer to the *Power Supply Sequencing* section of processor-specific data sheet.

For the processor *Recommended Operating Conditions (ROC)*, refer to the FAQ: *[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design – SOC ROC Recommended Operating Condition*

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

Here are some guidelines that needs to be considered when selecting or designing the processor power architecture:

- 1. Power supplies are configured to the required voltage level and are supplies are within the ROC
- 2. Power architecture follows the power-up and power-down sequence as specified in the processor-specific data sheet
- 3. Power architecture meets the slew rate requirements specified for all the supply rails in the processorspecific data sheet
- 4. All the power supplies are available before the PORz is released
- 5. Monitor all of the supply rails. Make sure the supplies are enabled only after the voltages are below 0.3V (no residual voltage) after a power cycle (There is no time or range associated with the requirement. Each power rail is required to decay below 0.3V before any power rail is allowed to ramp back up)
- 6. The delay between the power supply ramp and the PORz high is as per the data sheet recommendations (9.5ms min)
- 7. PORz input slew is as minimum as possible to avoid internal reset circuit glitch

Refer to the FAQ related to residual voltage and detection: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62D-Q1 / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design – Queries related to Residual Voltage and Detection

6.1.1.1 Supply for Core and Peripherals

For proper operation, connect all power pins (balls) with the supply voltages recommended in the *Recommended Operating Conditions* section of the processor-specific data sheet. Power pins that have specific connectivity requirements are specified in the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.



6.1.1.1.1 Power Supply Ramp (Slew Rate) Requirement and Dynamic Voltage Scaling / Change

All power supplies associated with the processor are expected to allow for controlled supply ramp (supply slew rate). For more information, see the *Power Supply Slew Rate Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

The processor (family) does not support dynamic voltage scaling.

Refer to the FAQ for more information about dynamic voltage scaling (DVS) and dynamic frequency scaling (DFS):

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design – Dynamic Voltage Scaling

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

6.1.1.1.2 AM62Lx

VDD_CORE, VDDA_CORE_DSI, VDDA_CORE_DSI_CLK, VDDA_CORE_USB, and VDDA_DDR_PLL0 are specified to operate at 0.75V (valid operating ranges defined in the *Recommended Operating Conditions* (ROC) table). and shall be sourced from the same power source. Care is required to be taken to make sure that voltage differential between VDD_CORE and VDDA_CORE_USB is within +/- 1%.

The recommendation is to always connect the VDDS_OSC0 supply.

The processor includes multiple analog supply pins that provide power to sensitive analog circuitry like VDDS_OSC0, VDDA_PLL0, VDDA_PLL1, VDDA_ADC, VDDA_1P8_DSI, VDDA_1P8_USB. Filtered ferrite power supplies are recommended.

For more information, see the *Recommended Operating Conditions* and *Power Supply Sequencing* sections of the processor-specific data sheet.

6.1.1.1.3 Additional Information

For more information on processor power-sequencing requirements, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 Custom board hardware design – Processor power-sequencing requirements for power-up and power-down

For more information on processor power supply rails filtering using ferrite, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 Custom board hardware design – Ferrite (power supply filter) recommendations for SoC supply rails

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

6.1.1.1.4 Processor Core and Peripheral Core Power Supply Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Recommended voltages are applied to the VDD_CORE supply rails (0.75V)
- 4. Connection of core supply when specific peripheral is not used as per pin connectivity requirements

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the implementation of the bulk and decoupling capacitors for all the supplies rails with EVM schematics
- 2. Ferrite filters are provided for peripheral core supplies (USB, DSI) as per the EVM schematics
- 3. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

1. For all supply rails, place a 0Ω resistor or jumper for isolation or current measurement at the output of the supply rails

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- 2. Changing the core voltage is not allowed after the device is released from reset. If the core supply is turned off, turn off and ramp down all power rails per the power-down sequence and wait until all supply rails decay below 300mV before turning on power again
- 3. When the USB driver is not initialized and the USB calibration procedure does not happen, connecting the supplies and leaving all of the USB pins for USB0, USB1, or both is acceptable. Grounding the USB supplies per pin connectivity requirements when both USB interfaces are unused saves power when low-power is a critical requirement
- 4. Follow the processor-specific EVM for implementation of ferrites and capacitors
- 5. Dynamic voltage scaling (DVS) of the core supplies is not recommended or allowed

6.1.1.1.5 Peripheral Analog Power Supply Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description and electrical specifications
- 3. Recommended voltages are applied to the peripheral analog power supply rail 1.8V
- 4. Supply rail connections are based on the processor family

AM62Lx: VDDS_OSC0, VDDA_PLL0, VDDA_PLL1, VDDA_ADC, VDDA_1P8_DSI, VDDA_1P8_USB

- 5. Supply rail VDDA_3P3_USB 3.3V analog supply connection for supporting USB2.0 interface
- 6. Connection of peripheral analog supply when specific peripheral is not used as per pin connectivity requirements

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare bulk and decoupling capacitor for all the supplies rails with EVM schematics
- 2. Ferrite filters are provided for peripheral analog supplies (PLL, USB (1.8V)), as per the EVM schematics
- 3. Supply rails are connected and follow the ROC

Additional

- 1. For all supply rails, use 0Ω resistor or jumper for isolation or current measurements at the output of the supply rails
- 2. When the USB driver is not initialized and the USB calibration procedure does not happen, connecting the supplies and leaving all of the USB pins for USB0, USB1, or both is acceptable. Grounding the USB supplies per pin connectivity requirements when both USB interfaces are unused saves power when low-power is a critical requirement
- 3. Follow the processor-specific EVM for implementation of ferrites and capacitors
- 4. Dynamic voltage scaling (DVS) of the analog supplies is not recommended or allowed

6.1.1.2 IO Supply for IO Groups

The FAQ provides recommendations on CAP_VDDS_xxx, capacitor value, and the effect of the capacitor mounted or shorted status: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design – CAP_VDDSn CAP_VDDS

The processor family provides dual-voltage 1.8V/3.3V IO supply for IO groups and fixed-voltage 1.8V IO supply for IO groups supply rails for IOs.

The dual-voltage 1.8V/3.3V IO supply for IO groups are of two types and includes fixed 1.8V/3.3V IO supply for IO groups and dynamically switched 1.8V/3.3V IO supply for IO groups.

6.1.1.2.1 Dual-voltage 1.8V/3.3V IO Supply for IO Groups

The processor includes 5 dual-voltage IO supply for IO groups (VDDSHVx [x = 0-4]), where each domain provides power supply to a fixed set of IOs. For dual-voltage IO supply for IO groups, each IO supply for IO group can be configured for 3.3V or 1.8V independently, which determines a common operating voltage for the entire set of IOs powered by the respective IO supply for IO group. VDDSHV0 and VDDSHV1 are fixed 1.8V/



3.3V IO supply for IO groups and VDDSHV2, VDDSHV3 and VDDSHV4 are dynamically switched 1.8V/3.3V IO supply for IO groups.

Processor pads (pins) designated as CAP_VDDS_xxx [total 5 pins], and CAP_VDDSHV_MMC connect the external capacitor to the internal IO supply for IO group LDO when the IO groups connect to 3.3V supply (optional when IO groups supplies connect to 1.8V). A 1 μ F (connected between CAP_VDDS_xxx pins and VSS, see the processor-specific data sheet) capacitor is recommended. See the processor-specific data sheet for the recommended capacitor voltage rating and allowed capacitance range. When IO supply for IO groups are connected to 3.3V, the voltage to be considered for capacitor DC bias effect derating is the steady state DC output which is voltage applied to CAP_VDDS_xxx pin (VDDSHVx/2). For CAP_VDDSHV_MMC a 3.3 μ F is recommended.

To minimize loop inductance requirements, place the capacitors on the back side of the PCB in the array of the BGA. Choice of capacitor voltage rating influences the capacitor package and size selection. Select capacitor with ESR < 1Ω , keep the trace loop inductance < 2.5nH.

6.1.1.2.1.1 Dual-voltage IO Supply for IO Groups Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics and additional available information
- 4. A valid fixed supply source is connected to (VDDSHV0, VDDSHV1) all the IO supply for IO groups as per the ROC
- 5. A valid supply (that can be dynamically switched) source is connected to VDDSHV2, VDDSHV3, and VDDSHV4 as per the ROC of the processor-specific data sheet
- 6. Slew rate requirements for IO supply rails for IO groups are followed
- 7. Internal LDO output pins have the recommended capacitors connected (across CAP_VDDS_xxx pin and VSS)
- 8. Power sequence recommendations as per the processor-specific data sheet are followed

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Connection of the recommended capacitor to CAP_VDDS_xxx pins and VSS
- 2. CAP_VDDS_xxx capacitor package (use the smallest possible (0201 or greater package possible which is closest to 0201) package to minimize loop inductance)
- 3. Voltage rating of the capacitor selected for the capacitance value to be in the range 0.8 to 1.5µF including aging, temperature and effect of DC bias
- 4. All IO supply rails for IO groups have a valid supply irrespective of the use of the IOs
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC
- 6. Each CAP_VDDS_xxx pin requires a separate 1µF capacitor connected with respect to VSS (ground)
- 7. Select CAP_VDDS_xxx capacitor with < 1Ω ESR, keep the trace loop inductance < 2.5nH

Additional

- 1. For all supply rails, use a 0Ω resistor or jumper for isolation or current measurement at the output of the supply rails. Choose the package of the resistor based on the supply rail current and the resistor current carrying capacitor.
- When any of the VDDSHVx power rails are sourced from the 3.3V supply, all IOs referenced to the VDDSHVx are required to operate at 3.3V IO level. If a VDDSHVx power rail is sourced from a 1.8V supply, all IOs referenced to the VDDSHVx are required to operate at 1.8V IO level.
- 3. Some interfaces span over multiple VDDSHVx. When using any of the interfaces, all VDDSHVx domains supporting a specific interface are required to share the same voltage source.
- 4. Most processor IOs are not fail-safe. Applying input voltage to the IOs while the corresponding VDDSHVx supply is off is not recommended or allowed.

- 5. Verify all IO pins on each VDDSHVx only connects to a single voltage level.
- 6. Follow the processor-specific EVM for implementation of ferrites and capacitors.
- 7. Leaving VDDSHVx rail unconnected is not recommended. Connect the power pins to either 1.8V or 3.3V, depending on the use case and the ROC.

6.1.1.2.2 Fixed-voltage 1.8V IO Supply for (Peripheral) IO Groups

The processor includes 3 Fixed-voltage 1.8V IO supply for IO groups supplies (VDDS_WKUP, VDDS0, VDDS1) where each domain provides power supply to a fixed set of IOs.

These are 1P8-LVCMOS buffer type. The board designers are responsible for interfacing the IOs referenced to fixed-voltage 1.8V IO supply for IO groups to attached devices with 1.8V IO levels.

6.1.1.2.2.1 Fixed-voltage 1.8V IO Supply for (Peripheral) IO Groups Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics and additional available information
- 4. A valid fixed supply 1.8V source is connected to (VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP, VDDS_RTC) all the IO supply for (peripheral) IO groups as per the ROC
- 5. Slew rate requirements for IO supply rails for processor supply rails are considered
- 6. Power sequence recommendations as per the processor-specific data sheet are considered

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. All IO supply rails for IO groups have a valid supply connected, irrespective of the use of the IOs
- 2. Supply rails connected follow the processor ROC
- 3. Supply levels of the IOs matches VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP, VDDS_RTC IO groups
- 4. Slew rate requirements are followed as per the processor requirements
- 5. Power sequence recommendations as per the processor-specific data sheet are followed

Additional

- 1. All IOs referenced to the VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP, VDDS_RTC are required to operate at 1.8V IO level
- 2. Most processor IOs are not fail-safe. Applying input voltage to the IOs while the corresponding VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP, VDDS_RTC supplies are off is not recommended or allowed
- 3. Verify all IO pins on each VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP, VDDS_RTC only connects to 1.8V voltage level.
- 4. Follow the processor-specific EVM for implementation for adding ferrites and capacitors
- 5. Leaving VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP, VDDS_RTC rail unconnected is not allowed. Connect the power pins to 1.8V

6.1.1.2.3 Additional Information

Most of the processor IOs are not fail-safe. For information on fail-safe IOs, see the processor-specific data sheet. The recommendation is to power the IO supply of attached devices from the same power source connected to the respective processor IO supply for IO groups (VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP supply rail) to make sure that the board does not apply potential to an IO that is not powered. Taking care of fail-safe operation is recommended to protect the IOs of processor and attached devices.

For more information on power-sequencing requirements between processor and attached devices including signal isolation for fail-safe operation, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 Custom board hardware design – Power sequencing between SOC (Processor) and the Attached devices.

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.



Note

Verify that a valid supply voltage for the VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP is present before applying inputs to the associated processor IOs or peripherals.

Connect the VDDSHVx supplies and associated CAP_VDDS_xxx (when IO supply connected is 3.3V, optional for 1.8V) capacitor irrespective of the usage of the processor IOs or peripherals.

6.1.1.3 Supply for VPP (eFuse ROM Programming)

An important requirement is for the processor VPP (eFuse ROM programming supply) to remain within the ROC range during eFuse programming. An LDO powered from a higher input supply voltage (2.5V or 3.3V) is recommended to compensate for the voltage drop through the series pass transistor and maintain the correct operating voltage during high load current transients. Local bulk capacitors are recommended near the processor VPP pin to support the LDO transient response.

Powering VPP from a supply rail with a \pm 5% variation, or using a load switch or FET can be problematic due to high load current transients and the requirement for the VPP power rail to match the supply range. Load switch or FET topology does not account for the voltage drop going through the load switch. The load switch can be an option if the board designer uses power source with smaller variation, such that the supply variation combined with the voltage drop through the load switch never exceeds the VPP recommended operating range.

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 Custom board hardware design – Queries regarding VPP eFuse programming power supply selection and application.

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

6.1.1.3.1 VPP Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics and additional available information
- 4. Implementation of on-board supply or provision provided to connect external supply
- 5. An LDO is recommended (use of FET switch or load switch is not recommended or allowed)
- 6. Choose on-board LDO that supports a minimum of 400mA current, has excellent load current transient response, and quick output discharge (active discharge)
- 7. Required bulk and bypass capacitors are provided (follow EVM schematics)
- 8. On-board LDO has provision to be enabled by processor IO
- 9. When external supply is connected, add bulk and decoupling capacitor provision on the processor board near to the processor VPP pin and provided a TP to connect the external supply
- 10. External supply follows the recommended power sequence and slew rate requirements as per the data sheet
- 11. The external supply timing is controlled by the processor IO
- 12. Leave the processor VPP supply pin floating (HiZ) or grounded during power-up sequences, power-down sequences, and normal device operation

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. A dedicated LDO or PMIC output is used
- 2. Nominal voltage connected to VPP is 1.8V and supports current requirements as per data sheet requirements
- Selected LDO specifications including load current transient response is similar to the LDO used on the EVM schematics
- 4. Processor IO is used to control the EN of the LDO and the required pull is provided
- 5. Verify the if EN pull holds the LDO is in off-state during power cycling



- 6. When an adjustable LDO is used, verify the output voltage configuration, output voltage slew and use of over voltage protection
- 7. Series resistor is provided to isolate the processor VPP supply from the LDO output for testing the timing or LDO output
- 8. Supply rail connected follows the processor ROC

Additional

- 1. Always provide provision on the processor board to connect VPP supply (on-board or external supply).
- 2. Select an LDO with fast transient response and connect LDO output to the processor VPP pin with a low loop inductance path to source the high transient load current, where the VPP pin never drops below the minimum operating voltage.
- 3. Enable the VPP only during eFuse programming. Connecting the VPP supply to a continuous 1.8V supply rail is not a recommended or allowed or supported option.
- 4. Due to the transient load current requirement during eFuse programming, using load switch or FET switch is not a recommended approach. A load switch or FET switch is likely to have too much voltage drop that is not compensated when using an LDO.
- 5. If the use case requires use of load switch or FET switch, characterize the board by measuring the voltage on the processor VPP pin during programming and verify supply never drops below the ROC minimum limit. Several variables in the path of VPP can cause the supply to be out of the ROC when using load switch or FET and are required to be characterized before implementing. Check or test if the load switch or FET switch violates the maximum VPP supply slew rate limit (of 6000V per second) defined in the data sheet.

6.1.1.4 Supply Connection for Configuring Low-Power Modes

The low-power modes supported by the family of processors are listed below:

6.1.1.4.1 RTC Only Low-power Mode

Refer EVM schematics for implementation of RTC only low-mode power architecture using discrete supplies.

Refer the power sequence diagram (*RTC Only Low-Power Mode Sequencing*) in the processor-specific data sheet for implementing the RTC only low-power mode.

6.1.1.4.1.1 RTC Only Mode Used

An always ON supply is recommended to be connected to VDDS_RTC (1.8V) and VDD_RTC (0.75V). VDDS_RTC and VDD_RTC needs to be powered before RTC_PORz is released. Sequencing of VDDS_RTC and VDD_RTC: There is no sequencing requirement between VDDS_RTC and VDD_RTC.

The only firm sequencing requirement for the AM62Lx processor is VDD_RTC up before and down after VDD_CORE.

A valid clock source as per the processor-specific data sheet recommendations need to be connected to LFOSC0_XI and LFOSC0_XO (crystal) or LFOSC0_XI (LVCMOS).

6.1.1.4.1.1.1 RTC_PORz Delay When RTC Only Mode is Used

VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC power rails are required to be valid before the power rails release RTC_PORz. There is no specific delay requirement and so the PG (power good) output of the supply source can be connected to RTC_PORz input.

6.1.1.4.1.1.2 EVM Implementation of RTC Only Mode Power Supply Architecture

VDD_RTC needs to ramp up before VDD_CORE and ramp down after VDD_CORE. A diode is used at the input of the discrete LDO used to generate VDD_RTC. Without the diode the VDD_RTC power rail can decay at the same time or before VDD_CORE when there is a uncontrolled power down, where the system power supply is turned off or disconnected from the board.

The VDD_RTC power domain does not draw much power, so the input capacitors on the VDD_RTC LDO hold the VDD_RTC rail valid for a long time when this is isolated from the input power supply with the diode.



6.1.1.4.1.2 RTC Only Mode Not Used

For custom board designs, where any of the low-power modes (RTC only or RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh) are not used:

VDD_RTC is connected to the same 0.75V power supply that is powering VDD_CORE.

VDDS_RTC is connected to the same 1.8V power supply that is powering VDDS_OSC0.

RTC_PORz is connected to the same reset source that is sourcing PORz.

6.1.1.4.1.2.1 32kHz LFOSC0 Clock When RTC Mode is not Used

The low-frequency oscillator is not required to be connected when none of the RTC low-power modes are being used. Follow the connection recommendation in the processor-specific data sheet when LFOSC0 is not used.

6.1.1.4.1.3 RTC Only Low-power Mode Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Use of always ON discrete LDO supplies for VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC
- 4. Connection of the combined PG output of VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC to RTC_PORz
- 5. Slew of the discrete LDOs PG output connected to RTC_PORz
- 6. Sequencing of the VDD_RTC supply with respect to VDD_CORE

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Use of discrete LDOs for VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC supplies
- 2. Supply outputs are within the ROC as per the processor-specific data sheet
- 3. VDD_RTC supply ramps before VDD_CORE
- 4. VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC supply slew rate follows the data sheet specifications
- 5. Discrete LDOs of PG outputs for VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC connected together
- 6. Connection of PG output of discrete LDOs to RTC_PORz input
- 7. Discrete LDO PG output slew

Additional

1. Note the use of diode at the input of discrete LDO input to sequence the VDD_RTC supply

6.1.1.4.2 RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh Low-power Mode

6.1.1.4.2.1 RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh Mode Used

Refer the power sequence diagram (*RTC* + *IO* + *DDR Low-Power Mode Sequencing*) in the processor-specific data sheet for implementing the RTC + *IO* + *DDR* self-refresh low-power mode.

When TI PMIC based power architecture is implemented, there is a change in the NVM configuration and the supply rails generated by the PMIC for LPDDR4 and DDR4.

Refer EVM schematics for power architecture using PMIC and discrete logic to implement RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh functionality for LPDDR4.

6.1.1.4.2.2 RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh Mode Not Used

For custom board designs, where any of the low-power modes (RTC only or RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh) are not used:

VDD_RTC is connected to the same 0.75V power supply that is powering VDD_CORE.

VDDS_RTC is connected to the same 1.8V power supply that is powering VDDS_OSC0.

RTC_PORz is connected to the same reset source that is sourcing PORz.

6.1.1.4.2.3 RTC + IO + DDR Self-refresh Low-power Mode Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Selection of the PMIC version based on use of LPDDR4 or DDR4 memory
- 4. Connection of VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC supplies (using PMIC output or discrete LDOs or DC/DC based on the PMIC version)
- 5. Connection of the power good output(s) from PMIC (IO used for RTC_PORz depends on the PMIC version) to processor PORz, RTC_PORz
- 6. Connection of processor PMIC_LPM_EN0 to PMIC STBY input

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Use of Discrete LDOs for VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC based on the PMIC version
- VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC supply slew rate follows the data sheet requirements when discrete LDOs are used
- 3. Discrete LDOs of PG outputs for VDD_RTC and VDDS_RTC connected together
- 4. Connection of RTC PORz input from the PMIC output or the discrete LDOs PG output
- 5. Discrete LDOs PG output slew
- 6. Supply output is within the ROC as per the processor-specific data sheet
- 7. VDD_RTC supply ramps before VDD_CORE

6.1.1.4.3 DeepSleep, Standby

Implemented using software. Refer processor-specific TRM or refer to the processor-specific (AM62L) product page on TI.com for available application notes.

6.1.1.5 Additional Information

Placement of 0Ω resistor (shunt) or a jumper in line with the core supply and other supply rails are recommended for initial PCB prototype builds. Placement of 0Ω resistor (shunt) or a jumper can help during board bring-up and debug to isolate the supply or for current measurement. Shunt resistors are used to measure the supply rail currents in EVM.

Verify the effect of adding 0Ω resistor provisions on the custom board performance.

6.1.2 Capacitors for Supply Rails

6.1.2.1 AM62Lx

Perform a PDN analysis, verifying that the required number of decoupling and bulk capacitors are provided for all power supply rails, including dual-voltage IO supply for IO group supply rails.

Place the decoupling capacitors as close as possible to the supply pins. Larger bulk capacitors can be placed further away.

Use low-ESL capacitors and mount the capacitors with the shortest possible traces to keep the mounting inductance low. For more information, see the *Sitara Processor Power Distribution Networks: Implementation and Analysis* application note.

Use the bulk and decoupling capacitors values from the EVM as a reference when PDN analysis is not performed or results are not available. For filtered (ferrite) power supplies implementation, follow the processor-specific EVM.

6.1.2.2 Additional Information



6.1.2.2.1 AM62Lx

When the processor peripherals (DDR Subsystem (DDRSS0), DSI0 and USB2.0 (USB0 and USB1)) are not used, the supplies (core, analog) associated with the peripherals have specific connectivity requirements. For more information, see the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet. Power supply filter (ferrite) and capacitors (bulk) can be optimized.

6.1.2.3 Capacitors for Supply Rails Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description and electrical specifications
- 3. Use of low ESL capacitors and 3-terminal capacitors connected with short traces to minimize the board loop inductance
- 4. Voltage rating of the capacitors used (> twice the worst-case applied voltage is a commonly used guideline)

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the capacitors used for all the supply rails with EVM schematics
- 2. Verify each of the power rail pins have a decoupling capacitor and each of the supply rail group has a bulk capacitor

Additional

- 1. Power supply decoupling is adequate. All processor power rails use both bulk and high frequency decoupling capacitors. The critical power domains that require the most attentions are the low voltage, high current domain (VDD_CORE)
- 2. As a starting point, the recommendation is to follow the validated EVM decoupling strategy
- 3. Deviations are not recommended without performing static and dynamic PDN analysis to verify that the Reff, Cap LL, and Impedance targets are met
- 4. In some situations, the EVM uses 3-terminal capacitors, due to low inductance packaging and performance. Make sure the 3-terminal capacitors connections in the EVM schematics are not implemented as an in-line or filter component
- 5. Show the connections of the capacitor near to the relevant pin for ease of placement and routing

6.1.3 Processor Clock

6.1.3.1 Clock Inputs

6.1.3.1.1 High Frequency Oscillator (WKUP_OSC0_XI / WKUP_OSC0_XO)

For processor operation, select a crystal as the clock source or a 1.8V LVCMOS square-wave digital clock source.

A 25MHz external crystal connected to the internal high frequency oscillator (WKUP_HFOSC0) is the clock source for the internal reference clock HFOSC0_CLKOUT.

Place the discrete components used to implement the crystal oscillator circuit as close as possible to the WKUP_OSC0_XI and WKUP_OSC0_XO pins. For the crystal, follow the *WKUP_OSC0 Crystal Circuit Requirements* table of the processor-specific data sheet when choosing the load capacitors.

When a 1.8V LVCMOS square-wave digital clock source is used, connect the processor XO pin according to the processor-specific data sheet recommendation.

For information, refer to the FAQs:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 Custom board hardware design – Queries regarding Crystal selection



[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 Custom board hardware design – Queries regarding MCU_OSC0 Start-up Time

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

Note MCU_OSC0 (High frequency oscillator) for AM62x is WKUP_OSC0 for AM62Lx.

Note

The only crystal frequency that is currently supported is 25MHz. See the processor-specific data sheet for more details on the recommended crystal parameters.

For LVCMOS clock requirements, refer to the *WKUP_OSC0 LVCMOS Digital Clock Source*, *WKUP_OSC0 LVCMOS Digital Clock Source Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

6.1.3.1.2 Low Frequency Oscillator (LFOSC0_XI, LFOSC0_XO)

LFOSC0 has limited use cases and is optional. Based on the use case, select a 32.768kHz crystal as the clock source or a 1.8V LVCMOS square-wave digital clock source.

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625: LFOSC usage in the device.

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

Place all discrete components used to implement the oscillator circuit as close as possible to the LFOSC0_XI and LFOSC0_XO pins. For the crystal, the load capacitance selected is required to be in the range recommended in the *LFOSC0 Crystal Electrical Characteristics* table of the processor-specific data sheet.

If LFOSC0_XI / LFOSC0_XO is not used, then the recommendation is to connect the XI directly to the VSS and to leave the XO unconnected.

For more information on connecting the unused LFOSC0, see the *LFOSC0 Not Used* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

Note WKUP LFOSC0 (low frequency (32.768kHz) oscillator) for AM62x is LFOSC0 for AM62Lx.

6.1.3.1.3 EXT_REFCLK1 (External Clock Input to Main Domain)

EXT_REFCLK1 pin is routed to clock multiplexers as a selectable input clock source to the Timer modules (DMTIMER/WDT), DMTIMER in Security Subsystem (SMS), MCAN, and CPTS (Time Stamping Module). The EXT_REFCLK1 is an option for when an application requires a specific clock frequency to be fed to the timer modules. An example of the application is time synchronization or for clock quality reasons.

When EXT_REFCLK1 is used as a clock source, depending on the availability of external clock, a pulldown is recommended.

6.1.3.1.4 Additional Information

WKUP_OSC0_XI / WKUP_OSC0_XO has specific routing requirements. See the *Clock Routing Guidelines* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

6.1.3.1.5 Clock Input Checklist - WKUP_OSC0

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. Selection of processor clock input source, either crystal or oscillator



- 5. 25MHz is the clock input frequency currently supported, refer processor-specific data sheet for supported clock input frequency
- 6. Selection of crystal load capacitor versus data sheet recommendations
- 7. PCB capacitance for WKUP_OSC0 is included in the calculation of crystal load capacitance value
- 8. When oscillator is used, add a decoupling capacitor and bulk capacitor near to the oscillator supply pin

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Connection of 25MHz WKUP_OSC0 clock is mandatory
- 2. Connections of the crystal circuit (WKUP_OSC0), as per the data sheet recommendations
- 3. Direct connection of crystal without series or parallel resistor
- 4. Selection of crystal load and load capacitance including around 4pF board capacitance
- 5. Load capacitor is recommended to be twice the crystal load, including board capacitance
- 6. Connection of XO when external oscillator is used, ground XO

Additional

- 1. Refer to the Applications, Implementation, and Layout section of the data sheet for clock routing guidelines
- 2. Select crystal and load capacitor such that the load capacitor value can be a standard value
- 3. Connect the 25MHz crystal directly to the processor XI and XO pins, no series or parallel resistors are recommended. The internal oscillator implements Automatic Gain Control (AGC) for amplitude control
- 4. The processor is validated only with a 25MHz (only frequency currently supported) clock source.
- 5. Processor-specific data sheet shows that WKUP_OSC0 does not start until the core voltage ramps because there are some cases where the oscillator does not start until the VDD_CORE ramps. In most cases the oscillator start when VDDS_OSC0 ramps, although oscillator start when VDDS_OSC0 ramps is not always the case. The oscillator start-up diagram in the data sheet shows the maximum start-up time, which includes the case where the delay is based on VDD_CORE is valid
- 6. Recommendation is to retain the HFOSC0 registers in the default state
- 7. Refer processor-specific data sheet to select the crystal circuit components

6.1.3.1.6 Clock Input Checklist - LFOSC0

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. Selection of LFOSC0 clock input source crystal or oscillator
- 5. 32.768kHz is the LFOSC0 clock input frequency supported, refer to the processor-specific data sheet for supported clock input frequency
- 6. Selection of the crystal load versus data sheet recommendations
- 7. Selection of load capacitor versus data sheet recommendations
- 8. LFOSC0 has limited use cases, provide provisions to ground the XI input when the clock option is not used

Schematic Review

Follow the below for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Connections of the clock circuit (LFOSC0), as per the data sheet recommendations
- 2. Selection of crystal load and load capacitance, with the load capacitance being twice the crystal load
- 3. Connection of the clock circuit when external oscillator is used (XO is grounded)
- 4. Connection of the XI input when the LFOSC0 is unused (XI is grounded)

Additional

1. Crystal load capacitance versus LFOSC0 registers. The only LFOSC0 register bits board designers change are BP_C, PD_C, and CTRLMMR_WKUP_LFXOSC_TRIM[18:16], where PD_C is reset (0) to enable the



oscillator and the BP_C bit is only set (1) to place the oscillator in bypass mode when using an LVCMOS clock source. The CTRLMMR_WKUP_LFXOSC_TRIM[18:16] bits are set based on the actual capacitance load applied to the crystal, as defined by the *Load Capacitance Equation*.

2. Refer to the processor-specific data sheet for the recommended circuit configuration during preproduction PCB and the production PCB

6.1.3.2 Clock Outputs

Processor IOs (pins) named CLKOUT0 and WKUP_CLKOUT0 can be configured as clock outputs. The clock outputs can be used as clock source for the attached devices (external peripherals).

6.1.3.2.1 Clock Output Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Connection of WKUP_CLKOUT0

Schematic Review

Follow the list below for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Connection of the clock output to single or multiple loads. When connected to multiple inputs (loads), each of the inputs are recommended to be connected through a buffer
- 2. Required pulls are provided near to the attached device clock input

Additional

1. CLKOUT0: EXT_REFCLK1 is used as CLKOUT0. Always connect a clock signal point-to-point, without any branches. When connecting CLKOUT0 to multiple clock inputs, use a buffer (with one input and multiple outputs or individual buffers based on the use case)

6.1.4 Processor Reset

6.1.4.1 External Reset Inputs

PORz is the external WKUP domain cold reset input to the processor. The recommendation is to hold the PORz pulled low during the supply ramp and oscillator start-up. Follow the recommended PORz timing in the *Power-Up Sequencing* diagram of the processor-specific data sheet.

For the PORz (3.3V tolerant, fail-safe input), applying a 3.3V input is an acceptable use case. The input thresholds are a function of the 1.8V IO supply voltage (VDDS_OSC0).

Slow rising reset input causes internal processor reset circuit to glitch. Recommend using a fast rise time discrete push-pull output buffer as PORz input and add a capacitor (22pF) filter provision.

When PMIC output is used, connect the output through push-pull output type logic gate or discrete buffer (with fast rise time) as an PORz input, rather than connecting a slow rising open-drain PMIC output (can glitch the internal reset circuit).

Provision to connect a filter capacitor at the PORz input is recommended. The capacitor value and mounting is use-case dependent. Verify the capacitor value does not cause the LVCMOS input to violate the slew rate requirements or glitch internally due to slow ramp.

Not connecting a valid input to PORz is not a allowed use case and can cause unpredictable and random behavior. Due to the device not going through a valid reset, internal circuits can be random (undefined) states.

Connect external warm reset input RESETz as per the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processorspecific data sheet. Warm reset inputs (LVCMOS inputs) have input slew rate requirements specified. Connecting a capacitor directly at the input is not recommended due to the slow ramp input. A schmitt triggerbased debouncing circuit is recommended. For implementing the debouncing logic, see the processor-specific EVM schematic.



6.1.4.2 Reset Status Outputs

RESETSTATz is the main domain warm reset status output. When reset status output RESETSTATz is used to drive the attached device reset inputs (/reset), a pulldown is recommended for reset status output to assert the reset (hold the attached devices in reset) to the attached devices during power-up and reset.

Note

An external pulldown holds the attached device reset inputs low, in use cases where none of the attached devices have internal pullups. In cases where an attached device has an internal pullup, the reset signal is pulled to a mid-supply voltage. Verify specific use-case and add pulldown on the reset status outputs.

RESETSTATz can be used to reset on-board memories or peripherals with reset functionality (eMMC, OSPI, or EPHY) or SD card power switch. The RESETSTATz can be used to latch the hardware strap configurations during reset including latching the Ethernet PHY strap configurations.

Connect the reset status output to a test point for testing or future enhancements when not used. Optionally a pulldown can be provided and can be a DNI.

6.1.4.3 Additional Information

The BOOTMODE00..15 (depending on the *Boot Mode Pin Mapping Option*) inputs that are used to configure the processor boot mode need to be held in a known state to select the appropriate boot mode configuration as defined in the processor-specific TRM, until the boot mode configuration is latched during the rising edge of the RESETSTATz.

6.1.4.4 Processor Reset Input Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. The processor is required to restart (release reset) only after the voltages are below 0.3V after power-down (There is no time or range associated with the requirement. Each power rail is required to decay below 0.3V before any power rail is allowed to ramp back up)
- 5. Reset input is asserted (low) while the processor supplies are ramping up or ramping down
- 6. PORz (POR) input is 3.3V tolerant and fail-safe. The threshold follows the VDDS_OSC0 IO level
- 7. IO level of warm reset RESETz (VDDSHV1) matches the IO supply for IO group supply (1.8V or 3.3V)
- 8. Reset inputs follow the slew rate requirements (FS RESET, LVCMOS)
- 9. Slew rate when open-drain output is connected (connecting through discrete push-pull output is recommended) directly to the reset input
- 10. Follow reset requirements including slew rate and PORz hold time when a non-TI power architecture is used

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Cold and warm reset inputs slew rate requirements are considered
- 2. Cold reset input (PORz) deassertion hold time (PORz input delay after all the supplies ramp, 9.5ms minimum) after all supplies ramps are provided as per the data sheet requirement
- 3. Provision for filter capacitor is provided at the input of the reset inputs (add 22pF (place holder) capacitor as a filter option and DNI)
- 4. Connection of reset inputs when not used as per pin connectivity requirements
- 5. Connection of push button warm reset inputs through debouncing circuit (Schmitt trigger buffer output based)



Additional

- 1. PORz input has slew rate requirements specified. When connecting PMIC_POWERGOOD (open-drain output) to PORz is the only available option, adjust the pullup to optimize the rise time (< 200ns)
- 2. PORz is a fail-safe input and 3.3V tolerant
- 3. Connect the output from a discrete push-pull output buffer (fast rise time) as PORz input rather than slow rising open-drain output
- 4. Not connecting a valid PORz causes unpredictable and random behavior, since processor does not get a valid reset input and the internal circuits are in random states. Slow ramp reset input causes internal processor reset circuit to glitch
- 5. LVCMOS inputs have slew rate requirements specified. A schmitt trigger based debouncing circuit is recommended for the slow ramp push button RC connected to the processor warm reset inputs. Schmitt trigger based debouncing circuit is recommended when using a push button or an RC
- 6. Provision for external ESD protection for manual reset input added near to the reset signal
- 7. Fail-safe operation when connected to external reset inputs. Applying an external input before supply ramps causes voltage feed and affects the processor performance

6.1.4.5 Processor Reset Status Output Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal descriptions, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. RESETSTATz is used as input to latch the processor boot mode configuration or attached device strap configuration during reset
- 5. RESETSTATz output is used for resetting the attached devices that requires a reset when the processor undergoes any type of global reset (cold or warm).
- 6. IO level compatibility between the processor reset status output and attached device reset input (can cause residual voltage affecting performance)
- 7. Loading of the reset status output (capacitor > 22pF (place holder) connected directly to the output)

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. RESETSTATz has pulldown added to hold the attached devices in reset during supply ramp and reset.
- Connection of capacitor directly on the reset output near to the reset input of the attached device (capacitor > 22pF). Perform simulation to use higher value capacitor

Additional

1. External ESD protection for the reset status outputs when connected to carrier board or external connector

6.1.5 Configuration of Boot Modes for Processor

The processor family supports two different BOOTMODE pin mapping options, as shown below:

- 1. Reduced pincount using only four of the bootstrap pins BOOTMODE[15:12]
- 2. Full pincount using all 16 of the bootstrap pins BOOTMODE[15:0]

The reduced pincount boot mode mapping offers the advantage of requiring less bootstrap pins which can translate to fewer pullup or pulldown components required. The reduced pincount boot mode comes at the cost of making fewer boot mode options pin selectable.

However, two of the boot mode options that are selectable from the *BOOTMODE Pin Mapping (Reduced)* table can be customized to any of the full 16-bit options by programming a new value into EFUSE. The EFUSE values are also protected using SECDED error correcting encoding scheme; 22 fuse bits are used to encode the 16-bit boot mode value.



To realize the desired reduction in pullup or pulldown components required, the input buffers for pins BOOTMODE[11:0] are disabled during POR unless BOOTMODE[15:14] are '00'. Disabling the buffers avoids power consumption due to floating inputs on these pins if the reduced pincount option is used.

When dip switches are used for configuring the boot, use a resistor divider ratio of 470Ω (pullup) and $47k\Omega$ (pulldown) for improved noise performance.

When the boot mode is configured using only resistors, a standard resistor (same value for pullup and pulldown) value. For example, a $10k\Omega$ or similar resistor can be used since either the pullup or pulldown is populated.

The recommendation is to connect pullup or pulldown to boot mode pins marked as *Reserved* or not used.

Add a provision for pullup and pulldown for all the boot mode pins that have configuration capability for debugging, design flexibility, and future enhancement. Populate either pullup or pulldown for each boot mode pins. Direct connection of boot mode pins to ground or IO supply rail is not recommended or allowed since IOs have alternate configuration and, intentionally or unintentionally, are configured as output by the software.

Consider that the boot mode input pins are not fail-safe when boot mode configurations are driven from an external input or a base board.

Based on the application requirement, a buffer that is driven only when reset (PORz) is asserted (low) is used to present the boot configuration to the processor.

If the boot mode pins are configured as an output during normal operation, then a series resistor (approximately $1k\Omega$) is recommended at the output of the buffers. For more information, see the processor-specific EVM for implementation.

6.1.5.1 Processor Boot Mode Inputs Isolation Buffers Use Case and Optimization

In the EVM, the boot mode pins BOOTMODE[15:12], BOOTMODE[11:00] are asserted through 1x 8-bit and 2x 4-bit isolation buffers. The buffers make sure that the SYSBOOT pulls (boot mode configured using resistors) control the IO level of the signals when the boot mode signals are latched (around the RESETSTATz rising edge) by the processor. Since boot mode signals are used for other functions after processor boot and are connected to attached devices or peripherals. The boot mode configuration resistors are isolated from other connected peripherals so that the other connected peripherals do not conflict with the intended boot mode configuration (IO levels).

The buffers are enabled when RESETSTATz is driven low by the processor. Once RESETSTATz is asserted, the buffer outputs are Hi-Z so the signals are not pulled or influenced by the boot mode resistors.

For optimizing the design (including BOM), the buffers can be optimized or deleted depending on the use case. The boot mode pull resistors value are selectable so that the resistors do not affect the operation of attach devices.

6.1.5.2 Boot Mode Selection

For configuring the required processor boot mode, refer to the *ROM Code Boot Modes* table in the *Initialization* chapter of the processor-specific TRM.

6.1.5.2.1 Notes for USB Boot Mode

USB0 interface supports USB DFU boot mode. When the USB0 is configured for device firmware upgrade (DFU) boot mode. Permanent or switched 3.3V supply is not recommended to connect directly to the USB0_VBUS pin. Connecting a permanent supply is not recommended (equivalent to the divider value) to the USB0_VBUS pin since connection of supply without resistor divider violate fail-safe operation.

A 5V supply from the host (switched) connected through the USB connector is recommended to connect to USB0_VBUS pin through the resistor voltage divider, as per the processor-specific data sheet recommendations. The zener diode can be deleted and the two resistors can combined to a $20k\Omega$ resistor for the USB VBUS Detect Voltage Divider, Clamp Circuit if the custom board design does not apply a VBUS potential > 5.5V, and the supply is on-board.

6.1.5.3 Boot Mode Implementation Approaches

Below FAQs captures the boot mode implementation approach when boot mode buffers are used and unused.



[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM644x / AM243x / AM62A / AM62P - Bootmode implementation with buffers [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM644x / AM243x / AM62A / AM62P - Bootmode implementation without buffers

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

6.1.5.4 Additional Information

When external inputs drive the boot mode configuration, the recommendation is to stabilize the boot mode configuration inputs before the processor PORz (cold reset) is released.

6.1.5.5 Configuration of Boot Modes (for Processor) Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics and any additional available information
- 4. All BOOTMODE pins (depending on the BOOTMODE pin mapping option used) have external pulls or a circuit to drive the required boot mode. Leaving any of the boot mode inputs unconnected is not recommended or allowed
- 5. Connecting the boot mode inputs directly to supply or VSS is not recommended. Shorting of multiple boot mode inputs together and connecting a common resistor is not recommended. (Board designers can have problems with the firmware configuration, where the LVCMOS GPIOs that are intended as inputs are mistakenly configured as outputs, driving a logic high signal instead of remaining in a high-impedance state)
- 6. Boot mode inputs are connected to the processor using resistor divider or through buffers as per the EVM implementation
- 7. Boot mode configuration using dip switches or resistors. When only resistors are used, a resistor divider is optional. A pullup or pulldown can be used
- 8. IO compatibility (1.8V or 3.3V referenced to VDDSHV0, boot mode inputs are not fail-safe)
- 9. The boot mode inputs are stable before cold reset status output is pulled high
- 10. Boot mode pins connected to alternate functions through 0Ω for isolation or testing

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Use a common resistor value (10k Ω or similar) when dip switch is not used for boot mode configuration
- 2. Use 470Ω and $47k\Omega$ resistors when dip switches are used to configure the boot
- 3. Series resistor $1k\Omega$ is used at the output of the buffer when boot mode is implemented with buffers or driven by external control signals
- 4. Boot mode configuration for PLL clock, primary and secondary boot

Additional

- 1. For early designs, recommend that all boot mode pins are brought out to an optional PU/PD pair with pop and no-pop options, depending on the required boot mode. See processor-specific TRM for complete boot mode definitions.
- 2. Boot values are latched at the release of power-on reset. If the boot mode pins are reconfigured for alternate function during operation, boot mode pins are required to be released/set back to the proper configuration to select the boot mode whenever the device enters the power-on reset state. Boot mode configuration specifically is a concern if signal is driven from external peripheral.
- 3. Add external ESD protection in case the boot mode switches are configured in an uncontrolled environment.
- 4. Boot mode inputs are not fail-safe. No input can be applied before the processor IO supplies ramp. Applying an external input before supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions.
- 5. Boot mode buffers are optional and are provided on the EVM for test automation
- 6. When using buffers or logic gates to configure the boot mode, verify the device used has OE (output enable feature).



6.2 Board Debug Using JTAG and EMU

6.2.1 JTAG and EMU Used

The recommendation is to connect the JTAG (TDI, TCK, TMS and TRSTn) and EMU (EMU0 and EMU1) signals as per the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

Optionally, connect a series resistor (22Ω) on the TDO (close to processor) signal for matching buffer impedance. The recommendation is to add external ESD protection for all JTAG and EMU signals when the signals interface to external connector. EMU 0/1 signals support boot sequence debug after cold reset (PORz).

Pullup for TDO is optional and depends on the debugger used.

Refer to the On-Chip Debug chapter of the processor-specific TRM.

For more information, refer below FAQs:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 / AM62A7 / AM62A3 / AM62P / AM62P-Q1/ AM6442 / AM2432 Custom board hardware design – JTAG

[FAQ] AM625: JTAG Pulldown/Pullup

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

6.2.2 JTAG and EMU Not Used

For connecting the JTAG and EMU signals, refer to the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

During custom board design, TI recommends provisioning at least a minimal JTAG port including EMU0/1 connected to test points or a header footprint to support early prototype debugging. JTAG components can be DNI in the production version of the board. Also, provide provision to add recommended pulls per the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section, and external ESD protection.

6.2.3 Additional Information

Buffering of clock and signals are recommended whenever the JTAG interface connects to more than one attached device. Buffering of clock is recommended even for single device implementations. For implementation, see the processor-specific EVM.

If trace operation is used, connect TRC_DATAn signals directly to the emulation connector. All TRC_DATAn signals are pin-MUXed with other signals. Use either trace functionality or a GPMC interface. Short and skew matched connections (board trace) for TRC_DATAn signals are used for trace functionality. The trace signals are referenced to VDDSHV0, and can be at a different supply voltage from the other JTAG signals. For additional recommendations on TRC/EMU design and layout, see the *Emulation and Trace Headers Technical Reference Manual*. A summary is available in the XDS Target Connection Guide.

If boundary scan is used, connect EMU0 and EMU1 pins directly to the JTAG connector.

For proper implementation of the JTAG interface, see the *Emulation and Trace Headers Technical Reference Manual* and the *XDS Target Connection Guide*.

6.2.4 Board Debug Using JTAG and EMU Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal descriptions, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. JTAG signals IO compatibility (IO supply referenced to VDDS0)
- 5. Connection of the required pulls as per the pin connectivity requirements near to the processor JTAG pins



Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Connection of supply voltage to the JTAG connector including filter capacitor (connect the voltage source that connects to VDDS0)
- 2. Pullup and pulldown values (use $47k\Omega$ or $10k\Omega$)

Additional

- TI recommends that all custom board designs contain at least a minimal JTAG port connection to test points or header for early prototype debugging. The minimum connections are TCK, TMS, TDI, TDO and TRSTn. If desired, delete JTAG routes and component footprints (except the pulldown on TRSTn and the pullups on TMS and TCK) in the production version of the board
- 2. Provision to configure EMU0 and EMU1 signals is recommended
- 3. If trace operation is required, the TRC_DATAn signals are required to be connected to the emulation connector. All TRC_DATAn signals are pin-muxed with other signals. If the trace connections are implemented, do not use other muxed interfaces on the pins. Use short and shew matched routes for TRC_DATAn signals. Trace signals are on a separate power domain and can be at a different voltage from the other JTAG signals
- 4. Provision for external ESD protection. Populate when JTAG interface is used
- 5. Verify fail-safe operation when connected to external signals. Applying an external input before supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions

7 Processor Peripherals

7.1 Supply Connections for IO Supply for IO Groups

The processor supports fixed 1.8V IOs and 1.8V/3.3V fixed or dynamically switched IOs. Verify the IO level compatibility with the attached device. The recommendation is to power the processor IO supply for IO group and the attached device IO supply from the same power source. The board designer must make sure the design never applies a potential that is greater than the values defined in the *Absolute Maximum Ratings* table.

7.1.1 Dual-voltage IO Supplies and Fixed-voltage Supplies for IO Groups

Each of the dual-voltage IO supply for IO group (VDDSHVx [x = 0-4]) provides supply to a fixed set of IOs (peripherals). Connect either 3.3V/1.8V supply voltage to each of the dual-voltage IO supply for IO group (VDDSHV0, VDDSHV1) or dynamically switched 3.3V/1.8V supply voltage to each of the dual-voltage IO supply for IO group (VDDSHV2, VDDSHV3, VDDSHV4).

VDDSHV2, VDDSHV3, and VDDSHV4 were designed to support power-up, power-down, or dynamic voltage switching without any dependency on other power rails. Dynamic voltage switching capability are required to support UHS-I SD cards.

SDIO or LVCMOS type IO buffers are implemented for processor IOs. The IO supply requirements depends on the IO buffer type.

Based on the selected memory type (DDR4 or LPDDR4), DDR PHY IO supply is connected as per the ROC.

7.1.2 Fixed 1.8V

Each of the fixed-voltage IO supply for IO group (VDDS0, VDDS1, VDDS_WKUP) provides power supply to a fixed set of IOs (peripherals). A fixed 1.8V supply voltage is connected to fixed-voltage IO supply for IO groups (VDDS0, VDDS1 and VDDS_WKUP).

Fixed-voltage IO supply for IO group are implemented using 1P8-LVCMOS IO buffer.

Design the power architecture to make sure the supply voltage out of the ROC is not applied momentarily or continuously.



7.1.3 Supply Connections for IO Supply for IO Groups Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements, pin attributes, and signal description
- 3. Standards referenced in the electrical characteristics including recommended operating conditions and any additional available information
- 4. IO buffer type implemented and the allowed supply configuration (LVCMOS fixed (1.8V or 1.8V/3.3V) or SDIO dynamic voltage switching)
- 5. Connection of valid supply to all the IO supply for IO groups (VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP)
- 6. Sequencing of the IO supply
- 7. Connection of processor DDRSS PHY IO supply based on the selected memory

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Attached device IO supply and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the interface signals are connected to the same supply source
- Pullups are connected to the same supply rail that is connected to the processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP and attached device
- 3. Connecting the 3.3V supply that is connected to the PMIC input, directly to the processor IO supply for IO groups VDDSHVx is not recommended since the IO supply is available for an undefined time in case the PMIC does not start-up and generate the other processor supply rails

Additional

- 1. Note the power sequencing requirements based on the IO supply for IO groups voltage level used
- 2. Dynamic voltage switching are supported by specific IO supply for IO groups (VDDSHV2, VDDSHV3, and VDDSHV4)
- 3. Dynamic voltage switching of the IO supply for IO groups referenced to LVCMOS IO buffers are not allowed (VDDSHV0, VDDSHV1)

7.2 Memory Interface (DDRSS (DDR4/LPDDR4), MMCSD (eMMC/SD/SDIO), OSPI/QSPI and GPMC)

7.2.1 DDR Subsystem (DDRSS)

See the following FAQ:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P Design Recommendations / Commonly Observed Errors during Custom board hardware design – DDR4 / LPDDR4 MEMORY Interface

For the supported memory size for DDR4 and LPDDR4, refer to the processor-specific data sheet. There can be change in the supported memory size, DDRSS interface pin outs compared to the other family of processors and the recommendation is to review the supported memory size and recommended connections when designing custom board schematics.

7.2.1.1 DDR4 SDRAM (Double Data Rate 4 Synchronous Dynamic Random-Access Memory)

7.2.1.1.1 AM62Lx

For implementation guidelines and routing topologies, see the *AM62x DDR Board Design and Layout Guidelines*.

7.2.1.1.1.1 Memory Interface Configuration

The allowed memory configurations are 1× 16-bit or 2× 8-bit.

1× 8-bit memory configuration is not a valid configuration.

Verify connection of DDRSS Bank Groups (DDR0_BG0, DDR0_BG1) based on the selected memory size.

Verify the connection of DDRSS Chip Select (DDR0_CS0_n) based on memory selection (Single-Rank).

7.2.1.1.1.2 Routing Topology and Terminations

When one memory (DDR4) device (1× 16-bit) is used, consider point-to-point topology.

Summary of point-to-point topology implementation:

- External VTT terminations for address and control signals are optional (not required).
- For differential clock DDR0_CK0, DDR0_CK0_n, AC differential termination 2× R in series (value = Zo Single-ended impedance) and a filter capacitor 0.01µF or value recommended by the memory manufacturer connected to the center of two resistors and DDR PHY IO supply VDDS DDR is recommended.
- VREFCA (VDDS_DDR/2) is the reference voltage used for control, command, and address inputs to the memory (DDR4) devices. VREFCA is derived from VDDS_DDR using a resistor divider (two resistors (recommended resistor value is 1kΩ, 1%) connected to VDDS_DDR and VSS) with filter capacitor (recommended value is 0.1µF) connected in parallel to both the resistors. An additional decoupling capacitor is connected to the VREFCA pin (close to memory (DDR4) device).

Alternatively, VTT terminations on the address and control signal for one memory (DDR4) device and Sink or Source DDR Termination Regulator to generate the VTT supply can be used.

When two memory (DDR4) devices (2× 8-bit) are used, the recommendation is to follow the Fly-by topology.

Summary of Fly-by topology implementation:

- External terminations (VTT) for address, control, and clock signals are recommended.
- Sink or Source DDR Termination Regulator is recommended to generate the VTT supply.
- The Sink or Source DDR Termination Regulator generates the reference voltage VREFCA (VDDS_DDR/2).
- Add decoupling capacitors for the reference voltage.

7.2.1.1.1.3 Resistors for Control and Calibration

Connect pulldown for DDR0_RESET0_n (DDR_RESET#) and DDR0_CKE0 (optionally DDR_CKE), and pullup for DDR0_ALERT_n (DDR_ALERTn) close to the memory (DDR4) device. Provide pulldown for DDR4 device test enabled (TEN) close to the memory (DDR4) device. For implementation and resistor value, see the processor-specific EVM.

Connect recommended resistors for DDR0_CAL0 (close to processor cal pin) and ZQn (n = 0-1, close to memory (DDR4) device).

7.2.1.1.1.4 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify adequate bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for the processor DDR supply rails and memory (DDR4) device supply rails.

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.2.1.1.1.5 Data Bit or Byte Swapping

If bit swapping is required during custom board design, bit swaps within a data byte, and swapping of byte 0 / 1 are allowed, with some restrictions. Do not swap the DM and DQS bits with any other signals. Bit swapping of the address or control bits is not allowed.

For more information, see the *Bit Swapping* section in the *DDR4 Board Design and Layout Guidance* chapter of the *AM62x DDR Board Design and Layout Guidelines*.

Update the schematics with the bit swapping changes for future reference or reuse.

7.2.1.1.1.6 VTT Termination Schematics Reference

When two memory (DDR4) devices (2× 8-bit) are used, each device is connected to each data byte. The address signals or control signals are connected in Fly-by topology with VTT termination.

Refer to AM64x evaluation module for Sitara processors for implementing VTT termination.

The recommendation is to perform board-level simulations to verify signal integrity.



7.2.1.1.1.7 DDR4 Implementation Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. Connection of address, clock, control and data signals, follow the processor-specific DDR design guidelines
- 5. Routing topology based on number of memory devices connected (data bus topology is always point-topoint). 1x 16 (point-to-point) and 2x 8 (daisy) are the allowed configurations
- 6. Connection of signals based on the selected memory size (CS0, BG0-1)
- 7. Differential clock termination using 2x resistors and filter capacitor for point-to-point and daisy chain memory interface configuration
- 8. DDR0_CAL0, DDRSS IO pad calibration resistor (240Ω, 1%) connected to VSS
- Resistor divider configuration (1kΩ, 1%) for DDR reference generation DDR_VREFCA. Place decoupling capacitor 0.1µF across the resistor divider and near to the memory pin
- 10. Termination (VTT) of address and control signals when x2 memory device are used (optional for point-topoint connection)
- 11. VTT resistor and capacitor (1 for every 2 VTT resistors) quantity and values follow EVM and design guide
- 12. VTT termination LDO implementation and configuration for when x2 memory devices are used
- 13. ZQ0-1, Memory device IO calibration resistor (240Ω, 1%) connected to VSS
- 14. Connection of alert (10k Ω pullup) and TEN (1k Ω pulldown)
- 15. Connection of ODT from DDRSS to memory device external pull is optional
- 16. Connection of processor DDRSS RESETn signal directly to DDR_RESETn memory reset input. To hold the signal low during power-on initialization, add pulldown (10kΩ) and placed near the memory device reset pin
- 17. Connection of unused DDRSS interface signals as per pin connectivity requirements
- 18. DDR design guidelines for swapping of the data group signals
- 19. Connection of required DDRSS signals for memory expansion

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the bulk and decoupling capacitors used and the values with EVM schematics
- 2. Value and tolerance used for the calibration resistors
- 3. Value of the VTT resistors and capacitors
- 4. DDR reference voltage divider value and tolerance
- 5. Reset pulldown value and connection of alert, TEN pulls
- 6. Memory selected confirms to the JEDEC standards
- 7. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

- 1. Refer TMDS64EVM for implementing VTT terminations for DDR4 address and control signals and LDO for generating VTT supply
- 2. Add layout notes on the schematic (for DDR routing to follow the recommended guidelines)

7.2.1.2 LPDDR4 SDRAM (Low-Power Double Data Rate 4 Synchronous Dynamic Random-Access Memory)

7.2.1.2.1 AM62Lx

For implementation guidelines and routing topology, see the AM62x DDR Board Design and Layout Guidelines.

7.2.1.2.1.1 Memory Interface Configuration

The allowed memory configuration is 1× 16-bit.

7.2.1.2.1.2 Routing Topology and Terminations

Follow point-to-point topology for clock (CK), address, control (ADDR_CTRL) and data signals.



VTT termination does not apply for LPDDR4. Terminations required for address and control signals are handled internally (on-die).

7.2.1.2.1.3 Resistors for Control and Calibration

Connect a pulldown for DDR0_RESET0_n (LPDDR4_RESET_N) close to memory (LPDDR4) device. For implementation and resistor value, see the processor-specific EVM.

Connect recommended resistors for DDR0_CAL0 (close to processor cal pin), ODT_CA_A (close to memory (LPDDR4) device) and ZQ (close to memory (LPDDR4) device).

7.2.1.2.1.4 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify adequate bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for the processor DDR supply rails and memory (LPDDR4) device supply rails.

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.2.1.2.1.5 Data Bit or Byte Swapping

During custom board design in case bit swapping is required, bit swaps within a data byte, and swapping of byte 0/1 are allowed. Address or control bit swapping is not allowed.

The recommendation is to update the schematics with the bit swapping changes for future reference or reuse.

7.2.1.2.1.6 LPDDR4 Implementation Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. Connection of address, clock, control and data signals follow the processor-specific DDR design guidelines
- 5. DDR0_CAL0 and DDRSS IO pad calibration resistor (240Ω, 1%) connected to VSS
- 6. ZQ0-1, Memory device IO calibration resistor (240Ω, 1%) connected to VDD_LPDDR4
- Memory device on-die termination (ODT) pulled up through a resistor (2.2kΩ or similar, no connection from DDRSS)
- 8. Connection of chip select CSn0
- 9. For LPDDR4, x16 is the supported data bus width
- Connection of DDRSS RESETn signal directly to LPDDR4_RESET_N memory reset input. To hold the signal low during power-on initialization, add a pulldown (10kΩ) and placed near the memory device reset pin
- 11. Connection of DDRSS to 16-bit memory device refer DDR design guide
- 12. Termination of unused DDRSS interface signals as per DDR design guide

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the bulk and decoupling capacitors used and the values with EVM schematics
- 2. Value and tolerance used for the calibration resistors
- 3. Reset pulldown value and connection of ODT pullup
- 4. Memory selected confirms to the JEDEC standards
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

1. Add layout notes on the schematic (for DDR routing to follow the recommended guidelines)

7.2.2 Multi-Media Card/Secure Digital (MMCSD)

The processor supports three MMCSD instances. The MMCSD Host Controller provides an interface to 1× eMMC (8-bit) and 2× SD/SDIO (4-bit) instances.

7.2.2.1 MMC0 - eMMC (Embedded Multi-Media Card) Interface

See the following FAQs:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P Design Recommendations / Commonly Observed Errors during Custom board hardware design – eMMC MEMORY Interface

[FAQ] AM62A7: MMC0 Pull Resistor Requirements

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

7.2.2.1.1 AM62Lx

For more information, see the MMC0 - eMMC/SD/SDIO Interface section of the processor-specific data sheet.

7.2.2.1.1.1 IO Power Supply

The processor IOs used for MMC0 interface are powered by VDDSHV2 supply rail (IO supply for MMC0 IO group).

VDDSHV2 is designed to support power-up, power-down, or dynamic voltage switching without any dependency on other power rails.

The recommendation is to connect VDDSHV2 and the IO supply rail of the attached device to the same supply source.

VDD (core voltage) of the attached device can be powered from an independent supply source.

7.2.2.1.1.2 eMMC (Attached Device) Reset

The recommendation is to implement the attached device reset using a 2-input ANDing logic. Processor general purpose input/output (GPIO) is connected as one of the input to the AND gate with provision for pullup (to support boot) near to the input and 0Ω to isolate the GPIO for testing or debug. The other AND gate input is the main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) signal.

In case an ANDing logic is not used and processor main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) is used to reset the attached device, match the IO voltage level of the attached device and RESETSTATz. A level translator is recommended to match the IO voltage level.

7.2.2.1.1.3 Signals Connection

Make the following connections with the attached device

- Add a series resistor 0Ω for MMC0_CLK signal as close to the processor clock output pin as possible to minimize the reflections (MMC0_CLK signal is used/looped back internally on read transactions, and the series resistor minimizes possible signal reflections, which can cause false clock transitions. Use series resistor value of 0Ω initially and adjust the value to match the PCB trace impedance as required)
 - Connect an external pulldown for MMC0_CLK signal (close to eMMC device clock input pin). (To prevent the eMMC device inputs from floating until software initializes the host controller and processor IOs associated with MMC0 and the clock is stopped or paused in a low logic and the pulldown option is consistent with the logic state)
- Connect the external pullup for the data line MMC0_DAT0 close to eMMC device (To prevent the eMMC device inputs from floating until software initializes the host controller and processor IOs).
 - Provision for external pullups is optional for DAT1-7. (The eMMC device (as long as the eMMC device is compliant to the eMMC standard) has the pullups enabled for data signals MMC0_DAT1-7. The eMMC device turns off the MMC0_DAT1-3 pulls when entering 4-bit mode and MMC0_DAT1-7 pulls when entering 8-bit mode. The eMMC host software turns on the respective DAT pulls when the software changes the mode)
- Connect the pullup (10kΩ or 47kΩ) for MMC0_CMD signal and pulldown with test point (optional) for DS signal (close to eMMC device)

7.2.2.1.1.4 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify the required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for VDDSHV2 supply rail and the attached device (core and IO supplies).

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Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.2.2.1.1.5 MMC0 (eMMC) Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications.
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information.
- 4. MMC0 interface is compliant with the JEDEC eMMC electrical standard v5.1 (JESD84-B51)
- 5. AM62Lx processor family implements a soft PHY. The pulls required for DAT0, clock, and control signals are recommended to be implemented externally.
- 6. Include a series resistor (0Ω) on MMC0_CLK placed as close to processor clock output pin as possible to minimize reflections. MMC0_CLK is looped back internally on read transactions, and the series resistor minimizes possible signal reflections, which cause false clock transitions. Use 0Ω initially and adjust as required to match the PCB trace impedance.
- 7. Add pullups (10kΩ or 47kΩ) for DAT0 and CMD signals. Connect the pullup to the IO supply for IO group VDDSHV2 (IO supply for MMC0 IO group). For DAT1-7 eMMC device is expected to have the pullups enabled during reset. The eMMC host/PHY disables the eMMC device pullups and enables processor internal pullups. Provision for external pullups is optional, or delete the pullups.
- 8. VDDSHV2 (1.8V or 3.3V) and the attached eMMC device IO supply is recommended to be powered from the same power source.
- 9. Add a pulldown $(10k\Omega)$ to the eMMC attached device close to the clock input pin.
- 10. For implementing eMMC device reset, use a 2-input ANDing logic when the memory is used for boot. Connect RESETSTATz as one of the input and processor IO as another input. Add a pullup for the processor IO input near the AND gate input pin and an isolation resistor near to the processor IO output. Alternatively, RESETSTATz is used as the reset source. When RESETSTATz is used as the reset source, verify the IO voltage level compatibility with the eMMC IO supply. Use a level shifter as required.
- 11. When eMMC boot is not configured, the eMMC attached device reset can be controlled by the processor IO. The recommendation is to pulldown the reset of the eMMC memory device during board power reset.
- 12. Add additional decoupling capacitors for attached memory device as required. Refer EVM schematics.

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for processor and attached device rails. Compare with the EVM schematics
- 2. Pull values for the data, command, and clock signals. Compare with the relevant EVM schematics
- 3. Series resistor value and placement on the clock output signal near to the processor clock output pin
- 4. Implementation of reset logic including the IO level compatibility. Adding a capacitor at the reset input of eMMC attached device is not recommended when RESETSTATz or processor IO is connected directly to control the reset. A stand-alone reset connection to reset the eMMC memory device is not recommended
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

- 1. Connect an external pulldown on CLK, and external pullups on CMD and DAT0 to prevent the eMMC device inputs from floating until software initializes the host controller and processor IOs associated with MMC0. The eMMC standard mandates that eMMC devices have internal pullups enabled during reset on DAT1-7, external pullups are not required for DAT1-7 signals. Software turns on the respective internal DAT pullups when the bus width is increased from 1-bit mode to 4-bit or 8-bit mode. External pulls are required because the IOs associated with MMC0 are implemented with standard dual-voltage LVCMOS IO cells with the capability of multiplexing additional signal functions to the respective device pins. MMC0 IOs buffers are disabled during reset because the interface connected to MMC0 pins is unknown.
- 2. Verify eMMC_RSTn reset input is enabled in the eMMC device (eMMC non-volatile configuration space) for the reset logic to be functional. The GPIO reset option enables software to reset the attached device



(eMMC, OSPI, SD card or EPHY) without resetting the entire processor in cases where the peripheral becomes unresponsive. Replace the GPIO option and use the reset output, either warm or cold. Software forces a warm reset if the peripheral becomes unresponsive. However, using warm reset resets the entire device, rather than trying to recover the specific peripheral without resetting the entire device. When RESETSTATz is used to reset the attached device, verify the IO voltage level of the attached device matches the RESETSTATz IO voltage level. A level translator is recommended to match the IO voltage level. Alternatively, use a resistor divider and select an optimum impedance value. A slow rise or fall time of the eMMC reset input causes too much delay. Low reset input causes the processor to source too much steady-state current during normal operation.

- ANDing logic additionally performs IO level translation. Verify the reset IO level compatibility before
 optimizing the reset ANDing logic. IO level mismatch can cause supply leakage and affect processor
 operation
- 4. Pulldown is selected for eMMC, SD card or other peripherals since there are cases where the clock is stopped or paused in a low logic state and the pulldown option is consistent with the logic state.

7.2.2.1.2 Additional Information on eMMC PHY

See the notes in the Signal Descriptions, MMC, MAIN Domain section of the processor-specific data sheet.

Note

Note the potential implementation differences in the eMMC Controller and eMMC PHY IPs used on different processor families. Pay attention on the interface including terminations recommended when migrating to a different processor family.

The recommendation is to review the processor-specific data sheet, TRM, and following the connection recommendations for the processor and attached device.

Processor-specific EVM implementation can be followed as required.

7.2.2.1.3 MMC0 – SD (Secure Digital) Card Interface

The CD (Card Detect) and WP (Write Protect) pins are not available on MMC0 interface. MMC0 can be used to interfaces with fixed SDIO devices (on-board). For more information, see the *MMC0 - eMMC/SD/SDIO Interface* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

7.2.2.2 MMC1/MMC2 – SD (Secure Digital) Card Interface

For more information, see to the MMC1/MMC2 - SD/SDIO Interface section of the processor-specific data sheet.

7.2.2.2.1 IO Power Supply

Processor MMC1 (CMD, CLK and Data) interface IOs are powered by VDDSHV3 supply rail (IO supply for MMC1 IO group) and MMC2 (CMD, CLK and Data) interface IOs are powered by VDDSHV4 supply rail (IO supply for MMC2 IO group).

VDDSHV3 and VDDSHV4 are designed to support power-up, power-down, or dynamic voltage switching independently of other power rails, allowing the operating voltage to change from 3.3V to 1.8V as the transfer speed increases.

VDDSHV3 and VDDSHV4 supplies are required to start with 3.3V and allow changing to 1.8V when software is ready to change the IO supply voltage.

For generating the dynamically changing 3.3V or 1.8V supply, AM62Lx supports integrated LDO SDIO_LDO (LDO internal to the processor, optimizing the design). Integrated SDIO_LDO can be used to power VDDSHV3 supply when MMC1 is configured for SD card interface. The output of the SD card supply control power switch described in the reset section below is connected as input to the SDIO_LDO (VDDA_3P3_SDIO). The output of SDIO_LDO is 3.3V during reset and allows changing to 1.8V when software is ready to change the supply voltage. The output of the SDIO_LDO is controlled by the V1P8_SIGNAL_ENA bit.

Make sure the recommended capacitor is connected to CAP_VDDSHV_MMC pin.

Processor MMC1 SD Card Detect (CD) and Write Protect (WP) signals are powered by VDDSHV1 supply rail (IO supply for GENERAL1 IO group). The recommendation is to connect the pullups for MMC1_SDCD, MMC1_SDWP from the SD card to the same supply rail VDDSHV1.

SD Card Detect (CD) input to the processor connects directly to ground when the SD card is inserted. A series resistor (100Ω) to limit the current in case the IO is configured as output due to programming error is recommended.

Processor MMC2 SD Card Detect (CD) and Write Protect (WP) signals are powered by VDDSHV4 supply rail or VDDSHV1 supply rail.

Note

When SDIO_LDO is not used to power MMC1 or MMC2 IOs, see the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet to connect the VDDA_3P3_SDIO and CAP_VDDSHV_MMC pins.

7.2.2.2.2 SD Card Supply Reset and Boot Configuration

The recommendation is to provision for a software-enabled (controlled) power switch (load switch) that sources the SD card power supply (VDD). A fixed 3.3V supply (processor IO supply) is connected as an input to the power switch.

Use of power switch allows power cycling of the SD card (since resetting the power switch is the only way to reset the SD card) and resetting the SD card to the default state.

The recommendation is to implement the attached device reset using a 2-input ANDing logic. Processor general purpose input/output (GPIO) is connected as one of the input to the AND gate with provision for pullup (to support boot) near to the input and 0Ω to isolate the GPIO for testing or debug. The other AND gate input is the main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz).

If the SD card is configured as a boot device, the external power switch sourcing the SD card power supply is recommended to default to ON (powered state).

For the implementation details, see the processor-specific EVM.

7.2.2.2.3 Signals Connection

Make the following connections:

- Connect a series resistor (0Ω) for MMC1_CLK and MMC2_CLK (close to processor clock output pins) and external pulldown for MMC1_CLK and MMC2_CLK (close to attached device or SD card socket clock input pin).
- Add external pullups (47kΩ) for the data lines (MMC1_DAT0-3 and MMC2_DAT0-3) and CMD signal (MMC1_CMD and MMC2_CMD) and connect to the respective dual-voltage IO supply for IO group (MMC1 = VDDSHV3, MMC2 = VDDSHV4) supply rails (place close to attached device or SD card socket).
- Add external pullups for the MMC1_SDCD and MMC1_SDWP signals connected to the VDDSHV1 supply rail (close to attached device or SD card socket).
- For supporting SD card interface, configure MMC2_SDCD and MMC2_SDWP signals referenced to VDDSHV1. Add external pullups for the MMC2_SDCD and MMC2_SDWP signals connected to VDDSHV1 supply rail close to attached device or SD card socket.

See the following FAQs:

[FAQ] AM62A7: Why is MMC1 powered by two different voltage supplies, VDDSHV0 and VDDSHV5? [FAQ] AM62A7-Q1: how to connect the pin net VDDSHV4, VDDSHV5, and VDDSHV6 if SD card is not used [FAQ] AM6442: AM6442 MMC1 [FAQ] AM625: MMC interface

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

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Note

VDDSHV0 for AM62x is VDDSHV1 for AM62Lx VDDSHV5 for AM62x is VDDSHV3 for AM62Lx VDDSHV6 for AM62x is VDDSHV4 for AM62Lx

7.2.2.2.4 ESD Protection

External ESD protection is recommended for data, clock, and control signals. Internal ESD protection is not designed to handle the board or system level ESD requirements.

7.2.2.2.5 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify the required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for VDDSHV3 and VDDSHV4 supply rails and attached device.

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

Note Follow the processor-specific connection recommendations for data and control signals. The recommendation is to place the series resistor for the clock output close to processor clock output pin.

7.2.2.2.6 MMC1 SD Card Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications.
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information.
- 4. Include a series resistor (0Ω) on MMC1_CLK placed as close to processor clock output pin as possible to minimize reflections. MMC1_CLK is looped back internally on read transactions, and the series resistor minimizes possible signal reflections, which can cause false clock transitions. Use 0Ω initially and the value as required to match the PCB trace impedance.
- 5. The MMC1 CLK, CMD, and DAT0-3 signal interfaces are implemented using SDIO buffers on pins powered from VDDSHV3 (connected to power source that changes the operating voltage level from 3.3V to 1.8V as the transfer speed transitions to one of the higher speed data transfer modes).
- 6. The MMC1 SDCD and SDWP signal functions are implemented with LVCMOS buffers on pins powered from VDDSHV1, which operate at fixed 1.8V or 3.3V.
- The SDIO buffers are designed to support dynamic voltage switching. Dynamic voltage switching is
 necessary since UHS-I SD cards begins operating with 3.3V signaling and changes to 1.8V signaling when
 the SD card transitions to one of the higher speed data transfer modes.

Processor IO buffers are off during reset. An external pullup is recommended for any of the processor or attached device IOs that can float. Pullups are recommended on all data and command signals. Verify internal pullups are not configured when (improves noise immunity) external pullups are used.

- 8. To meet the SD card specification, a $47k\Omega$ pullup is recommended when internal pulls are unexpectedly enabled. The $47k\Omega$ pullup verifies the resulting pull resistance is within the specified range.
- When UHS-I SD card interface support is required, implementing an LDO supply that switches output between 3.3V and 1.8V is required. Switching IO supply can be an external discrete implementation or internal to the PMIC. Connect the switchable voltage output to the IO supply for IO group, referencing the SD interface signals (VDDSHV3).
- 10. When UHS-I SD card interface support is required, while the IO voltage for SD card interface is either 1.8V or 3.3V, the SD card VDD supply is connected to a fixed 3.3V source.



- 11. When UHS-I SD card interface support is required, the 3.3V SD card power is required to be switched through a load switch to allow resetting of the SD card IO supply to 3.3V. Provision to enable the SD card load switch during reset is required.
- 12. Provision to reset the load switch using the SD card load switch EN signal during warm reset and normal operation using processor IO is required to be provided. Use a 2-input ANDing logic.
- 13. During boot, the ROM code checks the status of the card detect pin (SDCD). The signal is expected to be low to indicate SD card is detected (inserted).

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided. Compare with the EVM schematics.
- 2. Pull values used for the data, command and clock signals. Compare with the relevant EVM schematics.
- 3. Series resistor value and placement on the clock output signal near to the processor.
- 4. When UHS-I SD card interface support is required, verify IO supply for IO group rail switching (3.3V/1.8V) and the SD card power switching, power switch reset circuits are included.
- 5. Supply rail connected to the SD card power supply (use SYS voltage).
- 6. Implementation of reset logic for resetting the SD card power control load switch. Provision for slew rate control of the SD card supply control power switch is provided.
- 7. Supply rails connected follow the ROC.
- 8. Required external ESD protection are provided for the SD interface signals.

Additional

- 1. The logic state of the MMC1_SDCD and MMC1_SDWP inputs to the host are not required to change when a UHS-I SD card changes the IO operating voltage. Maintaining a valid logic state is not possible if the signals propagate through an input buffer of a dual-voltage SDIO cell that changes voltage. The signal functions are assigned to IOs that do not change voltage dynamically. Signals only connect to switches in the SD card connector, so there is no reason for the signals to change voltage when the SD card signals change operating voltage. The MMC1_SDCD and MMC1_SDWP signals are required to connect to the SD card connector switches and pull high with external pull resistors connected to the VDDSHV1. The other MMC1 SD card signals with pullups are required to have pulls powered by the VDDSHV3 source that dynamically changes voltage.
- 2. The MMC2_SDCD and MMC2_SDWP pins are referenced to the same IO supply for IO group the other MMC2 pins. Connecting an UHS-I SD card to MMC2 requires avoiding the use of the control for the MMC2_SDCD and MMC2_SDWP signal functions. For SD card use case, the signal functions needs to implemented using one of the other pin multiplexing options that uses an IO cell powered from a fixed voltage source. The MMC2 assignments differ because MMC2 was originally intended for use with on-board fixed voltage SDIO devices, such as Wi-Fi[®] or Bluetooth[®] transceivers.
- SD card power switch, along with the power switch supply EN pin reset logic, and the processor IO supply for IO group supply switching circuit is required to support UHS-I SD cards which begins communication using 3.3V IO level and later change to 1.8V IO level when changing to one of the faster data transfer speeds.

Cycling power to the SD card is the only way to put the SD card back into 3.3V mode because SD cards do not have a reset pin. The processor IO supply for IO group supply is expected to power off and on and switch voltage at the same time as the SD card. The circuits and the software driver operating the signals sourcing the circuits verifies that both devices are off, or on and operating at the same IO voltage at the same time.

4. Add a series resistor 100Ω on the SDCD pin since processor IO connects directly to the ground when the SD card is inserted.

7.2.2.3 MMC1 / MMC2 SDIO (Embedded) Interface

For more information, see to the MMC1/MMC2 - SD/SDIO Interface section of the processor-specific data sheet.



7.2.2.3.1 IO Power Supply

The processor MMC1 (CMD, CLK and Data) interface IOs are powered by VDDSHV3 supply rail (IO supply for MMC1 IO group) and MMC2 (CMD, CLK and Data) interface IOs are powered by VDDSHV4 supply rail (IO supply for MMC2 IO group).

Processor MMC1 SD Card Detect (CD) and Write Protect (WP) signals are powered by VDDSHV1 supply rail (IO supply for GENERAL1 IO group). The recommendation is to connect the pullups for MMC1_SDCD, MMC1_SDWP from the SDIO to the same supply rail VDDSHV1.

Processor MMC2 SD Card Detect (CD) and Write Protect (WP) signals are powered by VDDSHV4 (IO supply for MMC2 IO group) supply rail or VDDSHV1 supply rail (IO supply for GENERAL1 IO group). The recommendation is to connect the pullups for MMC2_SDCD, MMC2_SDWP from the SDIO to the same supply rail VDDSHV4 or VDDSHV1.

7.2.2.3.2 Signals Connection

Make the following connections:

- Connect a series resistor (0Ω) for MMC1_CLK and MMC2_CLK (close to processor clock output pins) and external pulldown for MMC1_CLK and MMC2_CLK (close to attached device clock input pin).
- Add external pullups for the data lines (MMC1_DAT0-3 and MMC2_DAT0-3) and CMD signal (MMC1_CMD and MMC2_CMD) connected to the respective dual-voltage IO supply for IO group (MMC1 = VDDSHV3, MMC2 = VDDSHV4) supply rails (close to attached device).
- Add external pullups for the MMC1_SDCD and MMC1_SDWP signals connected to the VDDSHV1 supply rail (close to attached device).
- Add external pullups for the MMC2_SDCD and MMC2_SDWP signals connected to the VDDSHV4 or VDDSHV1 supply rail (depending on the pins (IOs) selected) (close to attached device).

7.2.2.3.3 MMC2 SDIO (Embedded) Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description, and electrical specifications.
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information.
- 4. Include a series resistor (0Ω) on the MMC2_CLK, placed as close to processor clock output pin as possible to minimize reflections. To prevent signal reflections and false clock transitions, use a series resistor to minimize possible signal reflections on MMC2_CLK, which is looped back internally on read transactions. Use 0Ω initially and adjust as required to match the PCB trace impedance.
- 5. The MMC2 CLK, CMD, and DAT0-3 signal functions are implemented with SDIO buffers on pins powered from VDDSHV4, which operate at 1.8V or 3.3V.
- 6. The MMC2 SDCD and SDWP signal functions are implemented with LVCMOS buffers on pins powered from VDDSHV4 or VDDSHV1, which are operated at fixed 1.8V or 3.3V.
- 7. The SDIO buffers are designed to support dynamic voltage switching. When SDIO interface is used, connecting a fixed IO voltage (1.8V or 3.3V) is recommended.
- 8. Processor IO buffers are off during reset. An external pullup is recommended for any of the processor or attached device IOs that can float.

Pullups are recommended on all data and command signals. Verify internal pullups are not configured when (improves noise immunity) external pullups are used. As a good design practice, a $47k\Omega$ pullup is recommended for the pullup value to be within the SDIO specification, when internal pulls are enabled unexpectedly. With $47k\Omega$ the resulting pull resistance are still within the specified.

9. Attached device reset implementation using processor IO. Verify the IO level compatibility and the connection of required pull (polarity is attached device dependent).

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

1. Required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided. Compare with the EVM schematics.



- 2. Pull values used for the data, command and clock signals. Compare with the relevant EVM schematics.
- 3. Series resistor value and placement on the clock output signal near to the processor.
- 4. Implementation of reset logic.
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC and is a fixed supply.

Additional

- 1. Verify required external ESD protection are provided for the interface signals when connected over an add-on card.
- 2. Follow similar guidelines when using MMC1. When using MMC1, software changes are required because the EVM only implements the SDIO interface on MMC2.
- 3. There are no specific guidelines about SDIO devices providing or not providing internal pulls. The board designer implementing an embedded SDIO device is expected to understand what the SDIO device provides and apply the appropriate external pull if not provided by the SDIO device. Most of the processor IOs buffers are off during reset and are not enabled until the board has booted and the software configures. To prevent floating inputs, use external pulls on any signals connected to the inputs of attached devices.
- For embedded SDIO application, the recommendation is to power IO supply for IO group from the same fixed 1.8V or 3.3V power source that is used to power the IOs of the SDIO interface attached device (an example is a Wi-Fi module).

7.2.2.4 Additional Information

See the notes in the Signal Descriptions, MMC, MAIN Domain section of the processor-specific data sheet.

7.2.3 Octal Serial Peripheral Interface (OSPI) or Quad Serial Peripheral Interface (QSPI)

Note

OSPI0 interface supports a fixed 1.8V IO interface. Verify the IO level compatibility with the attached device. The recommendation is to power the processor IO supply for IO group and the the attached device IO supply from the same power source. The board designer must make sure the design never applies a potential that is greater than the values defined in the *Absolute Maximum Ratings* table.

The processor family supports 1x OSPI, QSPI interface and allows connecting up to two devices over the OSPI0 interface. The OSPI0 IOs are referenced to VDDS1 and support fixed 1.8V IO level.

The valid combinations are below:

- OSPI + OSPI (Faster DQS)
- QSPI + OSPI (Faster DQS)
- OSPI (Faster DQS)
- QSPI (Faster LBCLKO)

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed) of the processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached devices are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

For more information, see the OSPI/QSPI/SPI Board Design and Layout Guidelines section of the processorspecific data sheet or on collaterals on TI.com.

See the following FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P Design Recommendations / Commonly Observed Errors during Custom board hardware design – OSPI/QSPI MEMORY Interface

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

7.2.3.1 OSPI0 Interfaced to Single Device

The recommendation is to follow the AM62x or other family of processors OSPI0 implementation when using x1 device.



7.2.3.1.1 IO Power Supply

The processor IOs used for the OSPI or QSPI are powered by VDDS1 supply rail (IO supply for OSPI0 IO group).

The recommendation is to connect VDDS1 and the IO supply rail of the attached device to the same supply source.

VDD (core voltage) of the attached device can be powered from an independent supply source.

7.2.3.1.2 OSPI or QSPI Device Reset

The recommendation is to implement the attached device reset using a 2-input ANDing logic. Processor general purpose input/output (GPIO) is connected as one of the input to the AND gate with provision for pullup (to support boot) near to the input and 0Ω to isolate the GPIO for testing or debug. The other AND gate input is the main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) signal.

In case an ANDing logic is not used and processor main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) is used to reset the attached device, match the IO voltage level of the attached device and RESETSTATz. A level translator is recommended to match the IO voltage level.

7.2.3.1.3 Signals Connection

Make the following connections:

- Provision for a series resistor (0Ω) for OSPI0_CLK (close to processor clock output pin) and external pulldown for OSPI0_CLK (close to attached device clock input pin).
- Provision for a series resistor (0Ω) for OSPI0_LBCLKO (close to processor clock output pin)
- Provision for external pullups for CS pin and INT# pin (close to attached device).
- Provision for external pullups for the data lines (DAT0:7). Depending on the availability of pulls internal to the attached device, populate the external pulls.

7.2.3.1.4 Loopback Clock

Verify the required loopback clock configuration. Different configuration of clock loopback can be made using OSPI0_LBCLKO (OSPI0 Loopback Clock Output) and OSPI0_DQS (OSPI0 Data Strobe or Loopback Clock Input). For the following loopback configurations, see the processor-specific data sheet:

• No Loopback, Internal PHY Loopback, and Internal Pad Loopback

External Board Level Loopback

Processor DQS or Loopback Clock is used along with the DS data strobe of attached memory device

When DS (Read Data Strobe) pin is available on the attached device, connect the DS pin of the attached device to the OSPI0_DQS pin of the processor. Leave the OSPI0_LBCLKO pin unconnected.

In case DS pin is not being used currently, to configure the external loopback connect the OSPI0_LBCLKO output pin of the processor to the OSPI0_DQS input pin of the processor.

If External Loopback is not used, the recommendation is to leave the OSPI0_LBCLKO and OSPI0_DQS pins unconnected.

Note

D0 and D1 pins of the processor OSPI0 interface are required to be connected to D0 and D1 pins of the OSPI/QSPI memory device to support legacy x1 commands. Data bit swapping is not allowed

7.2.3.2 Interfaced to x2 Devices

The OPSI0 interface supports interfacing x2 attached devices.

Refer to the EVM for implementation. Refer to the processor-specific (AM62L) product page for addition of application notes related to OSPI0 interface.



7.2.3.3 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify the required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for VDDS1 supply rail and the attached device (core and IO supplies).

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.2.3.4 OSPI or QSPI Interface Implementation Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. The section above including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes, signal description and electrical specifications
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. Required memory interface configuration and recommended connections for the attached device are provided
- 5. The attached device IO supply and IO supply for IO group VDDS1 referenced to the interface signals are connected to the same supply source
- 6. Series resistor 0Ω provision for clock signal is provided near to the processor clock output pin
- 7. Provision for pullups are provided for data and control signals that can float. Verify the supply source connected to the pullups
- 8. Pulldown $10k\Omega$ is provided for the clock input near to the attached (memory) device
- 9. Reset logic implementation when used for boot using a 2-input (RESETSTATz and processor IO) ANDing logic or using warm reset status output RESETSTATz is recommended
- 10. Verify the reset IO level compatibility between processor and attached device
- 11. Pulling up the reset input to a high state during reset or supply ramp is not recommended
- 12. Clock loop back configuration based on the memory device and interface selected (OSPI or QSPI)
- 13. In case OSPI or QSPI boot mode is implemented, verify the errata, selected memory meets the boot mode criteria described in the TRM (or verify with TI using E2E)
- 14. Follow the recommendations to implement x1 or x2 attached device interface

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the implementation with EVM schematics for parallel pulls and series resistors for values
- 2. Compare implementation of attached device reset logic with the EVM schematics
- 3. Follow the EVM or recommended guidelines when connecting the OSPI0 interface to multiple attached devices (more than 1 attached device)
- 4. Supply rails connected follow the ROC
- 5. Implementation of external loopback based on the use case

Additional

- 1. Verify that the OSPI/QSPI/SPI Board Design and Layout Guidelines section of the data sheet is followed
- 2. Review and follow the electrical, timing and switching characteristic

7.2.4 General-Purpose Memory Controller (GPMC)

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

Refer to the data sheet for the supported GPMC interface configuration.

Non Muxed-Nor interface is not supported due to the number of address lines pinned out. The description for GPMC0_A0-A6 is the IP functional description (not the pin function description).



7.2.4.1 IO Power Supply

The processor IOs used for GPMC interface are powered by VDDSHV0 supply rail (IO supply for GPMC IO group).

The recommendation is to connect VDDSHV0 and the IO supply rail of the attached device to the same supply source.

VDD (core voltage) of the attached device can be powered from an independent supply source.

7.2.4.2 GPMC Interface

Verify the number of attached devices connected to the GPMC interface.

The recommendation is to connect the GPMC interface to one device in synchronous mode. Using multiple devices or CSns requires splitting the GPMC clock (and other interface signals) on-board, which can cause signal integrity issues.

A detailed timing analysis is recommended when interfacing multiple devices in asynchronous mode. Interfacing multiple devices is not recommended. When interfacing multiple devices in asynchronous mode, the control signals are required to be routed to multiple devices. The split routing and loading (trace length and number of devices) issues have an affect on custom board performance.

7.2.4.3 Memory (Attached Device) Reset

When using NAND flash or NOR flash with GPMC, many memories interfaced over GPMC can lack a reset pin.

In case the reset pin is available, review the reset requirements and connect the reset pin to the relevant reset source.

7.2.4.4 Signals Connection

Provide a series resistor (0Ω) for GPMC0_CLK (close to processor clock output pin).

Recommend provisioning for external pullups on GPMC0_CSn0-3 (depending on the configuration) to hold the signal high when processor is held in reset, or after reset, before software has configured the PADCONFIG registers to enable the TX buffer.

7.2.4.4.1 GPMC NAND

The active high ready and active low busy (R/B#) output from the NAND flash is open-drain and is connected to the GPMC0_WAIT0 and GPMC0_WAIT1 signals (depending on the configuration). The recommendation is to provide the pullup (commonly used value $4.7k\Omega$ or $10k\Omega$) close to the attached device.

7.2.4.5 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify the required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for VDDSHV0 supply rail and the attached device (core and IO supplies).

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.2.4.6 GPMC Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements, pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, Timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. GPMC interface configuration and recommended connections
- 5. IO level compatibility between processor and attached device
- 6. GPMC memory interface configuration (NAND or NOR flash), interface mode used Async or Sync clock mode
- 7. Connection to multiple devices in allowed in Async mode, perform timing and load calculation before use
- 8. Series resistor 0Ω near to the processor GPMC clock output pin

- 9. The attached device IO supply and IO supply for IO group VDDSHV0 referenced to the GPMC interface signals are connected to the same supply source
- 10. Verify the recommended or required pulls are provided
- 11. Verify the required interface configuration and recommended connections are provided
- 12. Attached device IO compatibility with the processor GPMC controller signals
- 13. Supported address and data range (IOs pinned out of the device as mentioned in the data sheet)
- 14. GPMC interface timing required versus feasible and effect of layout
- 15. Addition of pulls as required
- 16. Connection of GPMC memory NAND/ NOR, address and data signals multiplexed or non-multiplexed, synchronous or asynchronous, data bit width as per the TRM

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Required pulls are provided based on the memory interfaced
- 2. Pulls are provided for any of the interface signals that can float
- 3. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

7.3 External Communication Interface (Ethernet (CPSW3G0), USB2.0, UART and MCAN)

7.3.1 Ethernet Interface Using CPSW3G0 (Common Platform Ethernet Switch 3-Port Gigabit)

Note

Ethernet interface supports a fixed 1.8V IO interface. Verify the IO level compatibility with the attached device. The recommendation is to power the processor IO supply for IO group and the the attached device IO supply from the same power source. The board designer must make sure the design never applies a potential that is greater than the values defined in the *Absolute Maximum Ratings* table.

The CPSW3G0 interface signals are referenced to VDDS0 (IO supply for GENERAL0 IO group). The IO level for VDDS0 is fixed 1.8V.

CPSW3G0 supports the RGMII (10, 100, 1000) and RMII (10, 100) interfaces.

Verify availability of the CPSW3G0 functionality for the selected processor OPN.

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

7.3.1.1 IO Power Supply

The processor CPSW3G0 IOs (used for Ethernet interface) are powered by VDDS0 supply rail (IO supply for GENERAL0 IO group).

The recommendation is to connect VDDS0 and the IO supply rail of the attached device to the same supply source (1.8V).

VDD (core voltage) of the attached device can be powered from an independent supply source.

7.3.1.2 Ethernet PHY Reset

The recommendation is to implement the attached device reset using a 2-input ANDing logic. Processor general purpose input/output (GPIO) is connected as one of the input to the AND gate with provision for pullup (to support boot) near to the input and 0Ω to isolate the GPIO for testing or debug. The other AND gate input is the main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz).

When more than one EPHY is used, provide provision to reset the EPHYs individually.

A pullup or pulldown at the output of the ANDing logic is recommended based on the EPHY reset input pin configuration. The EPHYs are required to be held in reset for a specified minimum reset hold time after the respective clocks are valid.



In case an ANDing logic is not used and processor main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) is used to reset the attached device, match the IO voltage level of the attached device and RESETSTATz. A level translator is recommended to match the IO voltage level of the RESETSTATz and attached reset input.

7.3.1.3 Ethernet PHY Pin Strapping

Many of the TI EPHYs configure the outputs as inputs during reset and captures the configuration (Pin strapping is done through resistors) information on strap inputs when the processor reset is released. Appropriate pullup or pulldown can be necessary on strap inputs (IOs) that also connect to processor IOs. TI EPHYs used on the processor-specific EVM use a combination of pullup and pulldown allowing multiple configuration modes to be configured using each pin. During processor reset, the IO buffers and internal pullup or pulldown are disabled, which minimizes concern of a mid-supply potential being applied to the processor input buffer by the EPHY. The EPHYs are required to be configured to normal state from reset state to drive a valid logic state before enabling any of the associated processor input buffers.

7.3.1.4 Ethernet PHY (and MAC) Operation and Media Independent Interface (MII) Clock

Verify the clock input option used for Ethernet PHY and MAC based on the interface.

7.3.1.4.1 Crystal

If a crystal is used as the clock source for the EPHY, the recommendation is to match crystal (clock) specifications with the processor crystal (clock) specifications to optimize performance.

7.3.1.4.2 Oscillator

Using an external clock (LVCMOS) oscillator as the clock source for the processor and the EPHY allows for the use of either a shared oscillator or a separate oscillator. When using one oscillator, buffer the clock output before connecting to the processor and EPHY.

Use one output, individual buffer, or dual or multiple output buffer to connect the clock output of the oscillator to the processor and EPHYs.

For specific use case (requirement for some of the industrial applications using one Time Sensitive Networking (TSN)) input or two or more outputs (based on number of EPHYs used) buffer is recommended for the processor and the EPHYs.

Verify that the crystal XO of the EPHY is connected according to the recommended guidelines.

7.3.1.4.3 Processor Clock Output (CLKOUT0)

For optimizing the design, the processor clock output (CLKOUT0) can be used as clock input to the EPHY. Clock output is buffered internally and is intended to used for a point-to-point clock topology. A series resistor is recommended at the source end of the CLKOUT0 to minimize reflections.

RGMII EPHYs require a 25MHz clock input that is not synchronous to any other signals. 25MHz clock signal does not have any timing requirements, but is important the EPHY does not receive any non-monotonic transitions on the clock input.

RMII EPHY clocking option changes with the EPHY controller or device configuration.

When configured as controller, most RMII EPHYs require a 25MHz input clock that is not synchronous to any other signals, the 25MHz clock signal does not have any timing requirements, but is important to make sure the EPHY does not receive any non-monotonic transitions on the clock input.

The RMII EPHY provides the 50MHz clock output to the MAC. For RMII use case, the 50MHz data transfer clock is delayed to the MAC relative to the EPHY. The delay shifts clock to data timing relationship which can erode the timing margin. Eroded timing margin can be problematic for some designs if the delay is too large.

When configured as device, the MAC and the EPHY uses a 50MHz common clock that is synchronous to both transmit and receive data. The 50MHz clock is defined in the RMII specification as a common data transfer clock signal that is used by both the MAC and the EPHY, where transitions are expected to arrive simultaneously at the MAC and EPHY device pins. The common clock provides better timing margin for both transmit and receive data transfers. Important requirement is that the MAC and EPHY do not receive any non-monotonic transitions on the clock inputs. To take care of the clock signal integrity, recommendation is to route the common clock



signal through a two-output phase aligned buffer. Recommend using equal length signal traces that are half the length of the data signals for connecting the clock buffer outputs, where one clock output connects to the MAC and the other connects to the EPHY.

For RMII interface, the recommended configuration is *RMII Interface Typical Application (External Clock Source)* explained in the processor-specific TRM. If *RMII Interface Typical Application (Internal Clock Source)* configuration explained in the processor-specific TRM is used, the performance has to be validated on a board level. Provision for an external clock for initial performance testing and comparison is recommended. The Ethernet performance (RGMII) is validated on the processor and the EPHY with 25MHz clock.

The CLKOUT0 function can be used to source a 25MHz or a 50MHz clock input to EPHY. However, using CLKOUT0 signal function requires the software to configure the clock output. CLKOUT0 connected as EPHY clock is likely to glitch anytime the configuration is changed.

The EPHYs are required to be held in reset for a specified minimum reset hold time after the respective clocks are valid.

Processor clock output performance is not defined because clock performance is influenced by many variables unique to each custom board design. The board designer is expected to validate timing of all peripherals by using the actual PCB delays, minimum or maximum output delay characteristics, and minimum setup and hold requirements of each device to confirm there is enough timing margin.

7.3.1.5 MAC (Data, Control and Clock) Interface Signals Connection

Series resistors are recommended for the Ethernet MAC interface signals. Use smallest possible package (0402 or smaller) and place series resistors close to source. To start with place series resistor (0Ω or 22Ω) for the TDn signals near to the processor pins. For the RDn signals the internal impedance control of the EPHY can be used. Providing provision for external series resistors (0Ω) are recommended on the RDn signals in case space is not a constraint.

The interrupt output of the EPHY can be connected to the processor EXTINTn (interrupt) pin. The recommendation is to connect a pullup for the EXTINTn close to processor.

7.3.1.6 External Interrupt (EXTINTn)

EXTINTn is an open-drain output type buffer, fail-safe IO. The recommendation is to connect an external pullup resistor when a PCB trace is connected to the pad and an external input is not being actively driven. Open-drain output type buffer IO has slew rate requirements specified when the IO is pulled up to 3.3V. An RC is recommended for limiting the slew rate.

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1/ AM620-Q1 / AM62A7 / AM62A3 / AM62P / AM62P-Q1 Custom board hardware design – EXTINTn pin pullup connection

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

7.3.1.6.1 External Interrupt (EXTINTn) Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. The above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes (open-drain output IO buffer) and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics (fail-safe and slew rate requirements when pulled to 3.3V), timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. An external pullup is recommended when a signal trace is connected and not being actively driven
- 5. EXTINTn is an open-drain output type buffer, fail-safe IO. An external pullup is recommended when a trace or external input is connected
- 6. Open-drain output type IO. EXTINTn has slew rate requirements specified when pulled to 3.3V supply. Add an RC at the input to limit the slew rate. Refer TMDS64EVM

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Pullup value used. Compare with the EVM schematics
- 2. Pullup referenced to the processor VDDSHV1 (pullup connected to correct IO voltage level)
- 3. RC provision for slew rate control and RC values used. Refer TMDS64EVM

7.3.1.7 MAC (Media Access Controller) to MAC Interface

For applications requiring EPHY-less (MAC-to-MAC) connection between processors, using the RGMII interface is recommended (check with TI if the MAC-to-MAC interface is officially supported on the selected processor family) since the clocks are source synchronous.

When MAC-to-MAC interface between 2 processors are used, verify fail-safe operation, matching of clock specifications, and IO level compatibility.

7.3.1.8 MDIO (Management Data Input/Output) Interface

The processor IOs used for MDIO interface are powered by VDDS0 supply rail (IO supply for GENERAL0 IO group).

The recommendation is to connect an external pullup (close to the EPHY) for the MDIO0_MDIO (MDIO data) signal.

7.3.1.9 Ethernet MDI (Medium Dependent Interface) Including Magnetics

In case the EPHY and MDI interface including the magnetics and the RJ45 connector are implemented on the processor board, follow the processor-specific EVM for MDI interface connections, recommended magnetics used on the EVM, external ESD protection, and connection of RJ45 connector shield to circuit ground.

7.3.1.10 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify the required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for VDDS0 supply rail and the attached device (core and IO supplies).

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.3.1.11 Ethernet Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. The sections above, including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin attributes and signal description.
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information.
- 4. MAC interface configuration and recommended connections including series resistors (on the TDn signals near to processor MAC TDn output pins and optional 0Ω series resistors near the attached device for the RDn signals).
- 5. IO level compatibility between processor MAC and EPHY (attached device). The attached device IO supply and IO supply for GENERAL0 IO group VDDS0 referenced by the interface signals are recommended to be connected to the same supply source.
- 6. Matching of processor and EPHY clock specifications.
- 7. Clocking of EPHY and processor MAC including addition of buffers based on the EPHY configuration and clock architecture (use of common Oscillator and Buffer or RMII interface). When the clock output connects to more than one inputs, each of the clock inputs are required to be buffered using individual buffers.
- 8. Interface connections, IO level compatibility, fail-safe operation (when MACs are powered by different power sources) and matching of clock specifications when MAC-to-MAC interface is used.
- 9. MDIO interface connection including pullup for MDIO data added near to the EPHY. MDIO connection to multiple devices and the addition of pullup near each EPHY.
- 10. When 2 EPHYs are used, configuration of EPHY device address to read the internal registers through the MDIO interface.
- 11. Implementation of EPHY reset logic. When 2 EPHYs are used, the recommendation is to provide provision to reset the EPHYs individually.





Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Provision for series resistor for the processor MAC transmit signals TDn near to the processor output pins have been provided and the initial value (0Ω or 22Ω).
- 2. Verify the EPHY reset implementation including ANDing logic, EPHY reset input pull and compare with EVM as required.

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- 3. Verify EPHY device address configuration when two EPHYs are used and MDIO interface is required
- 4. MDIO data pullup is provided near to the EPHY.
- 5. Verify the IO level compatibility the attached device IO supply and IO supply for IO group referenced by the processor interface signals are connected to the same supply source.
- 6. Compare the bulk and decoupling capacitors used for all the EPHY supply rails with EVM schematics when TI EPHY is used.
- 7. Pullup is provided for processor GPIO input of the EPHY reset ANDing logic.
- 8. Pullup on the MDIO clock can be optional (EPHY can have internal pulldown; verify in the data sheet).
- 9. Supply rails connected follow the ROC.
- 10. When more than 1 EPHY is connected, provision to reset the EPHYs individually is provided. Addition of pull at the EPHY reset input as required.

Additional

- 1. Follow the steps below when TI EPHY is used:
 - Obtain a review of the implementation done with the EPHY business unit or product line
 - Verify the power sequence requirements for two-supply configuration and three-supply configuration
 - Verify the RBIAS resistor tolerance as per the EPHY data sheet
 - Selection of the RJ45 connector with integrated magnetics, follow EVM
 - Provision for external ESD protection for the MDI signals
 - Connection of RJ45 connector shield to circuit ground
 - The recommended bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided (refer EVM as required)
- 2. Use one output, individual buffer device, or dual or multiple output buffer to connect the clock output of the oscillator to the processor and EPHYs. For specific use case (requirement for some of the industrial applications using a Time Sensitive Networking (TSN)) input and two or more output (based on number of EPHYs used) buffer is recommended for the processor and the EPHYs.
- 3. When EPHY is configured as RMII slave (peripheral), two-output phase aligned buffer with a common input is recommended.
- 4. If space is not a constraint, consider adding 0Ω series resistors on the RDn signals near to the EPHY.
- 5. ANDing logic additionally performs IO level translation. Verify the reset IO level compatibility before optimizing the reset ANDing logic. IO level mismatch can cause supply leakage and affect processor operation.
- 6. Verify recommendations as per the data sheet or EVM implementation are considered for the attached device, including terminations and external ESD protection.

7.3.2 Universal Serial Bus (USB2.0)

The processor provides 2 USB2.0 interfaces that are configurable as host, device, or dual-role device (DRD).

USBn_VBUS (n = 0-1) is recommended to connect in accordance with the USB Design Guidelines section of the processor-specific data sheet. The supply voltage range for the USBn_VBUS pins is defined in the *Recommended Operating Conditions* section of the processor-specific data sheet. The nominal input voltage applied is equal to the resistor divider output when VBUS supply voltage level is 5V.

USBn_ID functionality is supported through any of the processor GPIOs.

Note

USBn_VBUS are fail-safe inputs. The fail-safe input is valid only if the VBUS supply is connected through recommended USB VBUS Detect Voltage Divider / Clamp Circuit.



7.3.2.1 USBn (n = 0-1) Used

The recommendation is to connect the USB supplies VDDA_CORE_USB (USB0 and USB1 core supply), VDDA_1P8_USB (USB0 and USB1 1.8V analog supply), and VDDA_3P3_USB (USB0 and USB1 3.3V analog supply) to the recommended power supply rails in the processor-specific data sheet.

Connect USBn_DM (n = 0-1) and USBn_DP (n = 0-1) signals directly (without any series resistor or filter capacitor). Route USBn signals with traces that does not include any stubs or test points.

Connect a resistor between USBn_RCALIB (n = 0-1) (close to processor RCALIB pins) and VSS. Refer to the processor-specific data sheet for recommended resistor value and tolerance.

7.3.2.1.1 USB Host Interface

The recommendation is to provide a power switch to control the VBUS supply to externally connected device and protect power switch input supply from being overloaded.

The power switch output connects to the USB type A connector. The recommendation is to connect a capacitor (> 120μ F) to the VBUS supply close to the connector.

The USBn_DRVVBUS (n = 0-1) signals with an internal pulldown is used to enable the VBUS power switch. An external pulldown near to the power switch enable (EN) pin is recommended. Connection of USBn_VBUS (VBUS supply input including Voltage Divider, Clamp) is optional.

If the power switch used has an OC (over current) indication output, pullup the OC indication output and connect to the processor IO (input).

7.3.2.1.2 USB Device Interface

The VBUS power is sourced by an external host. USB standard for device operation recommends connecting < 10μ F capacitor to the VBUS close to the USB type B connector.

Follow the USB VBUS Design Guidelines section of the processor-specific data sheet to scale the USB VBUS voltage (supply near the USB interface connector) before connecting to USBn_VBUS pins.

Based on the use case, the zener diode can be deleted if the one is absolutely sure that the board never undergoes a VBUS signal potential > 5.5V (sourced on-board).

7.3.2.1.3 USB Dual-Role-Device Interface

If the custom board design uses USB Micro-AB connector, the USBn_ID signal from the connector can be routed to the processor GPIO pin. USBn_ID can be connected to any available GPIO pin. The GPIO pin is specified in the board device tree file, including the pinmux setting of the GPIO pin.

Note Full compliant USB On-The-Go (OTG) feature is not supported. The ID pin is not bonded out.

7.3.2.1.4 USB Type-C®

If the custom board design uses USB Type-C[®] connector, the USBn_ID signals connection is not a requirement. The DRD mode switching is controlled by the USB Type-C companion device.

DRP (Dual Role Port) requires a controller, primarily to switch power based on the negotiated role. In a Device Mode only, USB2.0 only, USB Type-C implementations where the device is not powered by the USB Type-C connector, no USB Type-C controller is required.

- The CC pins at the connector are required to be independently grounded via $5.1k\Omega$ resistors.
- The USB DP and USB DM connector pins are shorted on the PCB (DM=B7:A7, DP=B6:A6). Shorting allows for USB2.0 connectivity regardless of cable orientation. Keep the resulting stubs as short as possible.

Refer to the *USB VBUS Design Guidelines* section of the processor-specific data sheet for more details on USBn_VBUS input scaling recommendations.

The AM62Lx EVM USB0 interface design can be a reference for implementation of the USB Type-C interface.



7.3.2.2 USBn (n = 0-1) Not Used

When USB0 and USB1 are not used or USB0 or USB1 is not used, the interface signals and the USB supplies have specific connectivity requirements.

For connecting the interface signals and USB supply pins, see the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

The recommendation is to connect the USB supplies (VDDA_CORE_USB, VDDA_1P8_USB, and VDDA_3P3_USB) to VSS through separate 0Ω resistors.

In case USB0 or USB1 are used for future expansion, connect the signals (USBn_DM, USBn_DP, USBn_RCALIB and USBn_VBUS) with the shortest possible traces and connect at test points or connectors. Additionally, recommendation is to provide provision to connect the required USB supplies.

7.3.2.3 Additional Information

Connect USBn_DM and USBn_DP signals directly from the processor to the USB hub upstream port. The hub then distributes USBn signals to the downstream ports as needed. As each hub has different implementation requirements, follow the hub manufacturer recommendations.

For more information on USB2.0 interface, to the below FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 Custom board hardware design – USB2.0 interface

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

7.3.2.4 USB Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements, pin attributes and signal description.
- 3. Referenced specific standard for electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information.
- 4. Required USB interface configuration (Host or Device) and recommended connections.
- 5. USB VBUS design guidelines based on the USB interface configuration. USBn_VBUS connection is optional for Host configuration. Connecting 5V supply from the USB connector directly to the USBn_VBUS pin is not recommended or allowed. Changing the data sheet VBUS recommended divider value is not recommended or allowed. VBUS fail-safe capability of the IO is valid only when the recommended divider values are implemented.
- 6. Connection of recommended IO calibration resistor.
- 7. Connection of the recommended USB supplies including filtering.
- 8. Direct connection of the USB signals.
- 9. Common-mode chokes can be used for EMI control. Adding common-mode choke can reduce the signal amplitude and degrade performance. Add provision to bypass the CMC using 0Ω resistors.
- 10. Marking of differential signals and the differential impedance value.
- 11. Implementation of USB power switch when USB interface is configured as HOST.
- 12. USB power switch enable control using DRVVBUS (internal pulldown is enabled during reset).
- 13. Connection of the power switch OC output to processor IO.
- 14. Connection of the USB signals to the USB connector.
- 15. Provision for recommended capacitors on the USB VBUS pin of the USB connector.
- 16. Provision for required external ESD protections for the USB interface.
- 17. In case USB boot is implemented, verify the errata, supported interface configuration, USB port and the connections.

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:



- 1. USB interface connection matches the required USB interface configuration (Host or Device). Compare the interface connection with the EVM.
- 2. External ESD protection and CMC implementation with provision to bypass using 0Ω resistors.
- 3. VBUS voltage divider values (follow data sheet) and tolerance (1%). Follow the data sheet
- recommendations. Use of multiple resistors is allowed provided the value, tolerance and ratio is maintained. 4. VBUS capacitor values used versus requirements (refer EVM).
- 5. Power switch enable connection (in case processor USBn_DRVVBUS is used, pullup is not recommended or allowed since the DRVVBUS has an internal pulldown enabled).
- 6. Connection of power switch OC output to the processor IO and IO level compatibility.
- 7. Supply rails connected follow the ROC.

Additional

- 1. In case a Type-C USB interface is implemented using TI devices, obtain a review of the implementation done with the relevant business unit or product line.
- A filtered supply (ferrite and capacitors) is used for VDDA_CORE_USB and VDDA_1P8_USB. VDDA_3P3_USB can be connected to the 3V3 SYS voltage. Refer specific and latest EVM for implementation as filters are being continuously optimized.
- 3. Verify fail-safe operation of USB interface. Applying an external interface signal before supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions.
- 4. When a CMC is used on the USB data lines, verify the connections including the polarity. Reversing the polarity can short the data signals.
- 5. DNI USBn_DRVVBUS pullup and pulldown to implement wakeup from deep sleep.

7.3.3 Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter (UART)

Note

The following (UART, MCAN, MCSPI, MCASP, I2C) peripherals implements IOSET. Make sure the usage of the correct IOSET in the custom design.

Timing closure is based on the IOSETs.

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for the IO group referenced by the connected processor. Peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

Verify the application requirements for UART interface (external communication interface or debug) and configuration (2-wire or 4-wire with flow control). For the number of UART instances supported, see the processor-specific data sheet.

When an external transceiver is used, match the external interface signal IO levels and the dual-voltage IO supply for IO group voltage level. The recommendation is to power the IO supply of the transceiver and the processor IO supply for IO group VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP from the same source. Verify fail-safe operation and the pullup voltage level and supply connected as required.

The recommendation is to provision the series resistors on the interface signals, close to source, for isolation or debug.

A pullup is recommended on the processor UART receive inputs (UARTn_RXD (n = 0-6) and WKUP_UART0_RXD). Verify the availability of pulls on the external interface signal and configure the pull accordingly.

External ESD protection is recommended in case the interface signals from the processor are directly connected to external inputs.

The UART interface is frequently hooked up incorrectly. Connect the signals as below:

- TX to RX
- RX to TX

Verify the connections if additional interface signals are used.

When the debug interface UART signals are directly connected to external interface, take note of fail-safe operation, IO levels. Provide provision for external ESD protection.

7.3.3.1 Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter (UART) Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. Provision for series resistors near to source added for all the interface signals to minimize reflections or isolate for testing
- 5. Parallel pull added for any of the processor or attached IOs that can float
- 6. Interface signal polarity and connection
- 7. External ESD protection when the interface signals are connected directly to external inputs
- 8. Required speed, programmed Baud rate versus supported baud rate, and required versus calculated error due to clock divider mismatch

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Pullup values used ($10k\Omega$ or similar) and compare with the EVM schematics.
- 2. Series resistor value used (22Ω) and the placement (near to source).
- 3. Pullup referenced to the processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP for corresponding UART instance and signals.
- 4. Processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP and the attached device IO supply sourced from the same supply.
- 5. Processor IOs are not fail-safe. Applying an input before the processor supply ramps is not recommended or allowed.
- 6. Supply rails connected follow the ROC.

Additional

- 1. Verify fail-safe operation when connected to external interface signals. Applying an external input signal before processor supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions.
- 2. Verify recommendations as per the data sheet or EVM implementation have been considered for the attached device including terminations and external ESD protection.

7.3.4 Modular Controller Area Network (MCAN)

Note

The following (UART, MCAN, MCSPI, MCASP, I2C) peripherals implements IOSET. Make sure the usage of the correct IOSET in the custom design.

Timing closure is based on the IOSETs.

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

For the number of MCAN instances supported, see the processor-specific data sheet. The MCAN interface to the processor includes external MCAN transceiver.

When an external transceiver is used, match the external interface signal IO levels with the dual-voltage IO supply for IO group voltage level.



Provide the required terminations for the MCAN transceiver.

The recommendation is to provision for series resistors on the interface signals (close to source) for isolation or debug.

7.3.4.1 Modular Controller Area Network Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters, and any additional available information
- 4. Provision for series resistors added for all the interface signals to minimize reflections or isolate for testing
- 5. Parallel pull added for any of the processor or attached device IOs that can float

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Series resistor value used (0Ω) and the placement (near to source)
- 2. Pullup referenced to the processor VDDSHVx for corresponding CAN instance and pins
- 3. Processor VDDSHVx and the attached device IO supply sourced from the same supply
- 4. Processor IOs are not fail-safe. No input can be applied before the processor supply ramps
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

- 1. Verify fail-safe operation when connected to external interface signals. Applying an external input signal before processor supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions.
- 2. Verify recommendations as per the data sheet or EVM implementation have been considered for the attached device including terminations and external ESD protection.

7.4 On-board Synchronous Communication Interface (MCSPI, MCASP and I2C)

7.4.1 Multichannel Serial Peripheral Interface (MCSPI) and Multichannel Audio Serial Ports (MCASP)

Note

The following (UART, MCAN, MCSPI, MCASP, I2C) peripherals implements IOSET. Make sure the usage of the correct IOSET in the custom design.

Timing closure is based on the IOSETs.

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

Provide series resistor (22 Ω) for SPI clock outputs SPI0..3_CLK (MCSPI 0..3) (close to processor clock output pins).

Provide series resistor (22Ω) for Transmit Bit Clock outputs MCASP0..2_ACLKX (close to the processor clock output pins) and Transmit Frame Sync signals MCASP0..2_AFSX (close to processor).

Provide series resistor (22Ω) for receiver clock (Receive Bit Clock) outputs MCASP0..2_ACLKR and Receive Frame Sync signals MCASP0..2_AFSR (close to attached device).

Processor IO buffers are off during reset. Verify external parallel pulls are provided for SPI Chip Select signals SPI0..3_CS0..3 (MCSPI 0..3) (close to attached device). Add pulls to the processor and the attached device inputs that can float.



7.4.1.1 MCSPI Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. Interface configuration and recommended connections (including IOSET)
- 5. Series resistor (22Ω) added to the clock outputs near to the processor clock output pin
- 6. Parallel pull (pulldown for attached device clock input) added for any of the processor or attached IOs that can float
- 7. Performance and signal integrity related concerns have been analyzed (simulated) when connecting to multiple attached devices
- 8. Provision for series resistors added for all the interface signals to minimize reflections or isolate for testing
- 9. Configuration of SPI data D0 and SPI data D1 bits (data direction)

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Pullup values used ($10k\Omega$ or similar)
- 2. Series resistor value used (22Ω) and the placement (near to processor clock output pin)
- 3. Pullup referenced to the processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx for corresponding MCSPI instance and pins
- 4. Processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx and the attached device IO supply are sourced from the same supply
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

- 1. Verify fail-safe operation when connected external interface connector (carrier or add-on board). Applying an external input before supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions
- 2. Verify recommendations as per the data sheet or EVM implementation have been considered for the attached device including terminations

7.4.1.2 MCASP Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. MCASP interface configuration and recommended connections (including IOSET)
- 5. Series resistor 22Ω added to the clock outputs (transmit bit clock, frame sync) near to the processor clock output pin
- 6. Parallel pull (pulldown for clock output) added for any of the processor or attached IOs that can float
- 7. Performance and signal integrity related concerns have been analyzed (simulated) when connecting to multiple attached devices
- 8. Provision for series resistors added for all the interface signals to minimize reflections or isolate for testing

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Pullup values used ($10k\Omega$ or similar) and compare with the EVM schematics
- 2. Series resistor value used (22Ω) and the placement (near to processor pin)
- 3. Pullup referenced to the processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx for corresponding MCASP instance and pins
- 4. Processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx and the attached device IO supply sourced from the same supply
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC



Additional

- 1. Verify fail-safe operation when connected to external signals. Applying an external input before supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions
- 2. Verify recommendations as per the data sheet or EVM implementation have been considered for the attached device including terminations and external ESD protection
- Two devices can be connected to MCASP. The recommendation is to follow good or recommended layout practices when routing the bit clock (transmit bit clock and receive bit clock). Perform simulations using IBIS model.

7.4.2 Inter-Integrated Circuit (I2C)

Note

The following (UART, MCAN, MCSPI, MCASP, I2C) peripherals implements IOSET. Make sure the usage of the correct IOSET in the custom design.

Timing closure is based on the IOSETs.

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

Verify if the application requires an I2C interface that is fully compliant to I2C-bus specification. I2C2 (only when using the selected device package pins with *I2C OD FS* buffer type. For example, B8, D8 for ANB package) are fail-safe, true open-drain output type buffers, and are fully compliant to the I2C specifications. I2C can support 3.4Mbps I2C operations (when the IO buffers (interface) are operating at 1.8V).

Note For I2C interfaces with open-drain output type buffer (I2C2), an external pull is recommended, when the IO is used.

Refer to the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet. A pullup ($4.7k\Omega$, adjust after testing) is recommended.

When the open-drain output type buffer I2C interfaces are pulled to 3.3V supply, the IOs have slew rate requirements specified. An RC can be used to limit the slew rate. For RC implementation, refer to the EVM schematic for implementation.

For more information, see the Connecting Supply Rails to Pullups section.

In the case that additional I2C interfaces are required, use I2C0, I2C1, I2C3, WKUP_I2C0, and I2C2 (except when using the package pins with *I2C OD FS* buffer type) interfaces.

In case that additional I2C interfaces are required, use I2C0-3 (except when using the package pins with *I2C OD FS* buffer type) interfaces and WKPU_I2C0 emulated open-drain output type I2C interfaces. Emulated open-drain output I2C interfaces are not fully compliant with the I2C specification, in particular falling edges are fast (< 2ns).

Any devices connected to emulated open-drain output type I2C interface ports need to function properly with the faster fall time. Emulated open-drain output type I2C interface ports support 100kHz and 400kHz operation. Pullups are recommended for I2C signals when the IOs are configured for I2C interface. Connect the pullups with the shortest possible stub.

Use series resistors to control the falling edge rate. The value depends on the custom board design and is recommended to be finalized during testing.

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM62L: Custom board hardware design - I2C interface

If the plan is to use TI provided software, then connect the recommended processor I2C interface to the PMIC, as WKUP_I2C0 is the I2C interface used for PMIC control.

Note

When I2C2 and I2C3 interfaces are used, refer to the I2C3 note (can be multiplexed to more than one pin) in the *Timing and Switching Characteristics, Peripherals, I2C* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

Note

Refer to the *Exceptions* in the *Timing and Switching Characteristics, I2C* section of the processorspecific data sheet during the custom board design. Take note of the exceptions for the simulated I2C interface in the data sheet. Add a low pass filter to reduce the fall time or interface speed to match the timing.

7.4.2.1 I2C (Open-drain Output Type Buffer) Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements, pin attributes and signal description.
- 3. Electrical characteristics (fail-safe and slew rate requirements when pulled to 3.3V), timing parameters and any additional available information including exceptions.
- 4. Add an RC at the input of the open-drain IOs for slew rate control when pulled to 3.3V.
- 5. Attached device address pin connected to IO supply through a resistor (> $1k\Omega$).
- 6. Verify the target I2C interface clock rates. The I2C bus can only be operated as fast as the slowest peripheral on the bus. If faster operation is required, move the slow devices to another I2C port.
- 7. Verify that there are no I2C address conflicts on any of the I2C interface utilized. There are multiple I2C ports available on the processor, so if a conflict is seen, move the conflicting devices to a different I2C bus. If not possible, use an I2C bus switch.
- 8. Do not place more than one set of pullup resistors on the I2C lines, can result in excessive loading and potential incorrect operation. Choose the pullup value commensurate with the bus speed being utilized.
- Make sure that the supply rail powering the processor I2C IO supply for IO group matches the supply voltage used for the pullup resistors and the attached I2C devices. Proper pullup can prevent device damage or incorrect operation due to voltage mismatch.

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. I2C2 (only when using the selected device package pins with "I2C OD FS" Buffer Type. Example: B8, D8 for ANB package) controllers have dedicated I2C compliant open-drain output type buffers.
- 2. Verify the pullup values used. Compare with the EVM schematics or calculate based on the load.
- 3. The I2C pullup supply amplitude connected follows the steady-state maximum voltage at all fail-safe IO pins requirements. The supply threshold depends on the supply voltage connected to IO supply for IO group.
- Provision for RC to limit slew rate and RC values.
- 5. Processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx and the attached device IO sourced from the same supply.
- 6. Supply rails connected follow the ROC.

Additional

- 1. Verify recommendations as per the data sheet or EVM implementation have been considered for the attached device.
- 2. Review the *Timing and switching characteristics*, *I2C Exceptions* sections of the data sheet during the design stage.



7.4.2.2 I2C (Emulated Open-drain Output Type Buffer) Interface Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin attributes and signal description
- 3. I2C interface configuration and recommended connections (including IOSET)
- 4. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information including exceptions
- 5. Attached device address pin connected to IO supply through a resistor (> $1k\Omega$)
- 6. A pullup is recommended when IO is configured as I2C interface
- 7. Note the I2C exceptions in the timing and switching characteristics section of the processor-specific data sheet. Provide provision for series resistor to control the fall time

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Verify the pullup resistor values used
- 2. Pullup referenced to the processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx (I2C pullup connected to correct voltage)
- 3. Addition of series resistor for fall time control
- 4. Fail-safe interface (emulated IOs are not fail-safe, no input can be applied before the processor supply ramps)
- 5. Processor VDDSHVx or VDDSx and the attached device IO supply sourced from the same supply
- 6. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

- 1. Verify fail-safe operation when connected to external interface signals. Applying an external input before supply ramps can cause voltage feed and can affect the custom board functions
- 2. Review the Timing and switching characteristics, I2C Exceptions section of the data sheet during the design stage
- 3. I2C controllers are multiplexed with standard LVCMOS IO to emulate open-drain

7.5 User Interface (DPI, DSI), GPIO and Hardware Diagnostics

7.5.1 Display Subsystem

Note

AM62Lx processor family provides separate pin outs for DPI and DSI interface.

The processor family support connecting either the MIPI DSI (4 lanes DPHY) or DPI (24-bit RGB LVCMOS) interface to external display at a given time.

Refer to Display Subsystem and Peripherals section of processor-specific TRM.

7.5.1.1 Display Parallel Interface (DPI)

Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

7.5.1.1.1 AM62Lx

Refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 Custom board hardware design – Display Parallel Interface (DPI) 24-bit RGB

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

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7.5.1.1.1.1 IO Power Supply

The processor DPI interface is powered by VDDSHV0 supply rail (IO supply for GPMC IO group).

7.5.1.1.1.2 DPI (Attached Device) Reset

The recommendation is to implement the attached device reset using a 2-input ANDing logic. Processor general purpose input/output (GPIO) is connected as one of the input to the AND gate with provision for pullup (to support boot) near to the input and 0Ω to isolate the GPIO for testing or debug. The other AND gate input is the main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) signal.

In case an ANDing logic is not used and processor main domain warm reset status output (RESETSTATz) is used to reset the attached device, match the IO voltage level of the attached device and RESETSTATz. A level translator is recommended to match the IO voltage level.

7.5.1.1.1.3 Connection

Verify display (RGB) connections.

Interface support includes 12-, 16-, 18-, and 24-bit RGB active matrix displays. When connecting only 16-bit data to an 18-bit panel (BGR565 to BGR666), connect D0-D4 to B1-B5 on LCD, D5-D10 to G0-G5 on the LCD, and D11-D15 to R1-R5 on LCD. On the 18-bit panel, connect B0 to B5 and R0 to R5.

7.5.1.1.1.4 Signals Connection

Provide provision for connecting a series resistor (0Ω) for VOUT0_PCLK (Pixel Clock Output) (close to processor clock output pin). If space is not a constraint, recommend adding series resistors (0Ω) for all other control and data pins.

7.5.1.1.1.5 Capacitors for the Power Supply Rails

Verify the required bulk and decoupling capacitors are provided for VDDSHV0 supply rail and the attached device.

Follow the processor-specific EVM implementation whenever recommendations are not available.

7.5.1.1.1.6 DPI (VOUT0) Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements, pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. Addition of series resistor 0Ω for the DPI (VOUT0_PCLK) clock output near to the processor clock output pin
- 5. Optional series resistors for the control and data interface signals

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Connection of the interface signals including DPI pin mapping of the processor with the attached device RGB and control signals
- 2. Supply rails connected follow the ROC
- 3. Compare the decoupling capacitor of DPI IO supply used versus relevant EVM

Additional

1. Need for external ESD protection based on the use case

7.5.1.2 Display Serial Interface (DSI)

7.5.1.2.1 AM62Lx



7.5.1.2.1.1 DSITX0 Used

The processor DSITX0 interface is powered by DSITX0 core supplies VDDA_CORE_DSI and VDDA_CORE_DSI_CLK and DSITX0 1.8V analog supply VDDA_1P8_DSI.

Connect a resistor between DSI0_TXRCALIB pin (close to processor) and VSS. Refer processor-specific data sheet for recommended resistor value and tolerance.

7.5.1.2.1.1.1 DSITX0 Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above section, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements, pin attributes and signal description
- 3. Electrical characteristics, timing parameters and any additional available information
- 4. Connection of recommended IO calibration resistor
- 5. Connection of the DSI0 interface signals with attached devices including the polarity
- 6. Marking of differential signals and the differential impedance value
- 7. Configuration of the required terminations
- 8. When not used, connection of the recommended power supplies and signals as per the pin connectivity requirements

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Compare the ferrite and capacitors used for DSI0 analog and core supply, when DSI0 interface is used
- 2. Verify the connection of DSI0 analog and core supply with optional ferrite and bulk capacitors and IO calibration resistor, when DSI0 interface not used. But, boundary scan functionality is required
- 3. Verify the pin connectivity requirement of no boundary scan use case
- 4. Compare the connection of power supplies and signals versus relevant EVM
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC

Additional

1. Need for external ESD protection based on the use case

7.5.1.2.1.2 DSITX0 Not Used

DSITX0 when not used has specific connection requirements for interface signals and power supplies.

For connecting the interface signals, power supplies (core and analog), see the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

When boundary scan function is used and DSITX0 supplies (VDDA_CORE_DSI, VDDA_CORE_DSI_CLK and VDDA_1P8_DSI) are required to be connected to the recommended supply rails. Decoupling capacitors on the supply pins are recommended. Bulk capacitors and ferrites are optional.

When boundary scan function is not required, connect DSITX0 supplies (VDDA_CORE_DSI, VDDA_CORE_DSI_CLK and VDDA_1P8_DSI) to VSS through separate 0Ω resistors. Decoupling capacitors, bulk capacitors and ferrites are not recommended to be populated.

7.5.2 General Purpose Input and Output (GPIO)

Note

LVCMOS IOs can be referenced to fixed 1.8V or fixed 1.8V/3.3V IO supply for IO groups. Verify the IO level compatibility with the attached device. The recommendation is to power the processor IO supply for IO group and the attached device IO supply from the same power source. The board designer must make sure the design does not apply a potential that is greater than the values defined in the *Absolute Maximum Ratings* table.

64 AM62L (AM62L32, AM62L31) Processor Family Schematic Design Guidelines and Schematic Review Checklist Verify the IO supply for IO group that is referenced by the IOs (fixed or dual-voltage) of the connected processor peripheral and the IO voltage level of the attached device are compatible. The recommendation is to connect the IO supply of the attached device and the IO supply for IO group referenced by the connected processor peripheral IOs are connected to the same supply source.

Refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Data sheet Pin Attributes and Pin connectivity related queries

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

7.5.2.1 Availability of CLKOUT on Processor GPIO

Buffered output of WKUP_OSC0_XO can be configured on the WKUP_CLKOUT0.

7.5.2.2 Connection and External Buffering

The recommendation is to add a series resistor (with a value that is use case dependent) to limit the current. Externally buffer the GPIO outputs when higher (above the data sheet specified value) current sourcing is required.

Common processor LVCMOS IO interface guidelines:

- 1. Most of the processor IOs are not fail-safe. No input can be applied before supply ramps.
- 2. Processor LVCMOS IOs have slew rate or slew requirements (<1000ns) specified, applying a slow ramp input or connecting a capacitor directly at the input is not recommended.
- 3. Connecting a capacitor load > 22pF at the output is not recommended. DNI capacitor or perform simulations based on the use case.
- 4. Processor IO buffers are off during reset. A pull is recommended near to the attached device being driven by the processor IO that can float.
- 5. A parallel pull is recommended for any processor IO pad that has a trace connected. When adding pull is not feasible, route the traces away from noisy signals.
- 6. Verify IO compatibility and fail-safe operation between the processor and attached devices IOs.

7.5.2.3 Additional Information

Pins or pads on unused interfaces can typically be left unconnected, unless otherwise stated. Many of the IOs have a *Pad Configuration Register* that provides control over the input capabilities of the IO (RXENABLE field in each conf_<module>_<pin> register). For more details, refer to the *Control Module* chapter of the processor-specific TRM. Software can disable the IO receive buffers (that is, RXENABLE=0) that are not connected in the design as soon as possible during initialization. Software is expected to not accidentally enable the receiver of an IO (by setting the RXENABLE bit) when the associated pin is floating.

Note

For specific guidance on configuring certain unused pins, refer to the *Pin Connectivity requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

Note

For specific guidance on configuring IOs, refer to the *Pad Configuration Registers* chapter of the processor-specific TRM.

For more information on processor unused peripherals and IOs, refer to the FAQ:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P Design Recommendations / Commonly Observed Errors during Custom board hardware design – SOC Unused peripherals and IOs.

For more information on used pins, unused pins, and peripherals handling, refer below FAQ:

[FAQ] AM62x, AM64x, AM243x, Custom board hardware design – How to handle Used / Unused Pins / Peripherals ? (e.g. GPIOs, SERDES, USB, CSI, MMC (eMMC, SD-card), CSI, OLDI, DSI, CAP_VDDSn,).

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.



7.5.2.4 GPIO Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. The sections above, including relevant application notes and FAQ links.
- 2. Pin connectivity requirements and pin attributes.
- 3. Electrical characteristics and any additional available information.
- 4. Input signal applied to the processor LVCMOS inputs follow the slew rate requirements. Connecting a capacitor directly at the input increases the signal slew and is not recommended.
- 5. Connection of capacitor load directly to the processor output for control or enabling of attached device is not allowed (recommend simulation when capacitor load > 22pF (place holder) is used).
- All IO pins referenced to VDDSHVx, VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP connect to one voltage level. Each IO has an associated supply voltage used to power the IO cell (VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP). If VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP is sourced from 3.3V (1.8V) supply, then all IO referenced to VDDSHVx, VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP rail operate at 3.3V (1.8V) levels.
- 7. No input voltage applied to the processor IOs before the VDDSHVx, VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP supply ramps (excluding fail-safe IOs). Most processor IOs are not fail-safe. Applying voltage to the IOs is not recommended or allowed, while the corresponding IO supply for IO group (VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP) is off. Fail-safe IOs include PORz, I2C2 (only when using the selected device package pins with *I2C OD FS* buffer type. For example, B8, D8 for ANB package), EXTINTn, and USBn_VBUS (n = 0-1), when a recommended VBUS divider is used.
- 8. One of the common use case for the IO interface is driving LEDs for indication. The designer can review the LED source or sink current and the effect on the voltage level and adjust the LED current accordingly.
- 9. Shorting of multiple IOs together directly is not recommended.
- 10. Pad configuration based on the required IO direction.
- 11. Directly connecting processor IOs with alternate functions to supply or VSS is not recommended or allowed, including boot mode inputs. The board designer can have errors with the firmware and miss-configure the LVCMOS GPIOs that are intended as inputs, to be outputs driving logic high instead.

Schematic Review

Follow the list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Pulls are added for any of the processor or attached device IOs that can float.
- 2. Pullups are connected to the same IO supply for IO group VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP referenced by the IOs.
- 3. The supply voltage for all pullups that are connected to processor IOs matches the voltage applied to the corresponding IO supply for IO group (VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP). Pulling a signal to a different IO voltage can cause voltage leakage.
- 4. IO level compatibility for externally applied inputs from a add-on or carrier board or through an external connector.
- 5. Supply rails connected follow the ROC.

Additional Information

- 1. For common processor LVCMOS IO interface guidelines, refer to Section 7.5.2.2.
 - Most of the processor IOs are not fail-safe. Applying input before supply ramps is not recommended or allowed.
 - Processor LVCMOS IOs have slew rate requirements specified; applying a slow ramp input or connecting a capacitor directly at the input is not recommended.
 - Connecting a capacitor load > 22pF (placeholder) at the output is not recommended. DNI capacitor or perform simulations based on the use case.
 - Processor IO buffers are off during reset. A pull is recommended near to the attached device being driven by the processor IO that can float.
- 2. A parallel pull is recommended for any processor IO pad that has a trace connected. When adding pull is not feasible, route the traces away from noisy signals. Processor IO buffers are off during reset. A pullup is

recommended near to the attached device to hold the attached device IO inputs that can float in a known state. Use of pulls are attached-device dependent.

- IO compatibility and fail-safe operation between the processor IOs and attached devices connected through IOs.
- 4. Fail-safe operation when connected to external signals. Applying an external input before supply ramps cold causes voltage feed and affects the processor performance.
- Capacitor loading of the processor output (when capacitor value > 22pF (place holder) is connected; designer is expected to simulate), slew of the input signal (LVCMOS input slew is 1000ns or less).
- 6. IO current sink or source follows the data sheet recommendations.
- 7. External ESD protection is provided when the IOs connect directly to external interface signals.

7.5.3 On-board Hardware Diagnostics

7.5.3.1 Internal Temperature Monitoring

The temperature monitor is placed near the anticipated hot spots of the processor to read the on-die temperature sensors in Linux and perform thermal management. See the *E2E thread*.

The Voltage and Thermal Manager (VTM) module on the processor supports voltage and thermal management of the processor by providing control of on-chip temperature sensor.

The processor supports one VTM module, WKUP_VTM0, which is located in the WKUP domain. The analog supply for temp sensor 0 is provided by VDDA_PLL0 (PLL analog supply).

For more information, refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design – VTM

7.6 Analog to Digital Converter (ADC)

7.6.1 ADC0 Used

The recommendation is to connect the ADC0 analog supply VDDA_ADC0 to the recommended power supply rail in the processor-specific data sheet.

Note

ADC0 inputs are not fail-safe. Applying a voltage (> *Absolute Maximum Ratings*) to any of the ADC0 inputs before the processor ADC supply ramps is not recommended or allowed. The input applied (based on the input level) can cause residual voltage on the processor supply rail and can cause board start-up issues. Refer *Absolute Maximum Rating* table of processor-specific data sheet. In case supply rails that are available before the processor supply ramps are required to be monitored, the recommendation is to connected these inputs to the ADC0 through a switch. The switch can be controlled by processor GPIO or power good signal from any of the supply source including PMIC.

7.6.2 ADC0 Not Used

When entire ADC0 is not used, there are specific connection requirements for the inputs and supply rail. When any of the ADC0 inputs are not used, there are specific connection requirements for the unused inputs.

For connecting the ADC0 inputs, analog supply pin, see the *Pin Connectivity Requirements* section of the processor-specific data sheet.

The recommendation is to connect ADC0 inputs and processor analog supply pin to VSS through separate 0Ω resistors. The provision is for future expansion or enhancement and is optional.

7.6.3 ADC0 Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Review selection of processor part number that support ADC0 functionality.
- 2. Verify the connection of ADC0 analog supply.



- 3. Filtering and decoupling capacitors for ADC0 analog supply.
- 4. Verify the connection of ADC0 inputs for range (refer to the data sheet for the recommended ADC0 input range) and fail-safe operation.
- 5. Refer to the pin connectivity requirements when partial or complete ADC0 is not used.

Schematic Review

Follow the below list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Verify the ADC0 analog supply follows the recommended operating conditions.
- 2. Verify the connection of the required filters and decoupling capacitors (Follow the EVM implementation).
- 3. Verify the connection of the analog inputs and the input range.
- 4. Verify the connection of ADC0 inputs when partial or complete ADC0 is not used.

Additional

1. ADC0 inputs are not fail-safe. Apply inputs only after the ADC0 supply ramps. When ADC0 inputs are available before the ADC0 supply ramps, connect the ADC0 inputs through a switch that is controlled by the processor supply or processor IO to verify fail-safe operation.

7.7 Verifying Board Level Design Issues

7.7.1 Processor Pin Configuration Using PinMux Tool

Recommend verifying the processor peripheral and IO configuration using the TI *SysConfig-PinMux* tool to take care valid IOSETs have been configured.

For more information, see the PinmuxConfigSummary.csv file provided by the SysConfig-PinMux tool.

7.7.2 Schematics Configurations

Verify the circuit options provided for alternate functionality or testing that are optional for the normal functioning of the board or can affect or influence custom board performance are marked as DNI.

7.7.3 Connecting Supply Rails to Pullups

Connecting a signal (IO) pullup to the different IO supply rail can cause leakage between the IO rails of the processor and affect the custom board performance or processor reliability. Each signal has an associated IO supply for IO group (for example, VDDSHVx or VDDSx or VDDS_WKUP). For more information, see the *Pin Attributes* table in the processor-specific data sheet.

For example, to pullup SPI0_CLK signal in any MUX mode (GPIO0_0), pullup the signal supply rail connected to VDDS1.

7.7.4 Peripheral (Subsystem) Clock Outputs

For any of the processor peripheral that has a clock output, configure the RXACTIVE bit of the appropriate CTRLMMR_PADCONFIGx registers. The bit configuration is required for the clock output to work properly.

7.7.5 General Board Bring-up and Debug

Before starting the board bring-up, verify the following:

- The processor and the attached devices used match the design requirements
- Boards have been checked for component assembly (DNI (Do Not Install) and inspected for assembly (soldering of the components))
- No external inputs are connected to the processor IO inputs before the board supply is applied and processor supply ramps

Refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] Board bring up tips for Sitara devices (AM64x,AM243x, AM62x, AM62Ax, AM62Px)

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

7.7.5.1 Clock Output for Board Bring-Up, Test, or Debug

The following clock outputs are available on the processor for test and debug purposes only:



WKUP_SYSCLKOUT0

WKUP_PLL0_HSDIV0_CLKOUT (PER_SYSCLK0) divided by 4 and sent out of the device as WKUP_SYSCLKOUT0. The clock output is provided for test and debug purposes only.

WKUP_OBSCLK0

The output can only be used as a functional clock source when WKUP_OBSCLK_OUTMUX is used to select the direct output from WKUP_HFOSC0.

The output can only be used for test and debug purposes when selecting any other clock source.

SYSCLKOUT0

MAIN_PLL0_HSDIV0_CLKOUT (MAIN_SYSCLK0) divided by 4 and then sent out of the device as SYSCLKOUT0. The clock output is provided for test and debug purposes only.

OBSCLKn [n = 0-1]

These outputs can only be used as a functional clock sources when OBSCLK0_CTRL is used to select the direct output from WKUP_HFOSC0.

The outputs can only be used for test and debug purposes when selecting any other clock source.

In case the processor pins designated OBSCLKn [n = 0-1], WKUP_SYSCLKOUT0, SYSCLKOUT0 are not used, provide a test point for test or debug. Recommend adding pull resistors to the pads.

In case clock output pins are used, a test point can be inserted on the trace and provision to isolated the signals from the attached devices can be provided for test or debug.

System clock output pins (WKUP_SYSCLKOUT0 and SYSCLKOUT0) are hardwired to dedicated clock resources.

7.7.5.2 Additional Information

The recommendation is to provide test point for PORz for testing or debug when not used.

For other on-board devices (DC/DC Converter or LDO or Sensor) that have an alert output, over-current indication output or PG (power good) output that is not used, provide a pullup and test point for testing or future enhancements.

7.7.5.3 General Board Bring-up and Debug Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Add provision to isolate the IOs that can be used for debug from alternate function
- 2. Add provision for connecting UART interfaces for debug during initial board build
- 3. Add provision for JTAG connector or Test points for JTAG interface connection including external ESD protection. Place the pulls as per pin connectivity requirements near to the processor JTAG interface pins

Schematic Review

Follow the list for the custom schematic design:

- 1. The required pullup and series resistors are provided for the UART interfaces used for debug when external interface signals are directly connected to the processor UART signals
- 2. External ESD protection when external interface signals are directly connected to the processor UART signals

Additional

- 1. Processor UART and most of the IO signals are not fail-safe. Recommendation is to apply external inputs only after the processor supplies ramp
- 2. The recommendation is to disconnect the external interface signals when processor board is powered off



Refer to the FAQ: [FAQ] SK-AM62: Purpose Of Different UARTs



8 Self-Review of the Custom Board Schematics Design

Once the schematics design is completed following the design guidelines provided in the user's guide and referring to the EVM schematics and other available collaterals, the board designer can do a self-review using the checklist provided at the end of each design guidelines section.

Example:

Processor Core and Peripheral Core Power Supply Checklist

General Board Bring-up and Debug Checklist

The FAQ lists the collaterals and steps that can be followed for performing self-review of custom board schematics:

[FAQ] AM62L: Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - Custom board schematics selfreview

The FAQ lists common errors observed while reviewing customer schematics. The recommendation is to read the list and make the required updates:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM62A / AM62P / AM62D-Q1 / AM64x / AM243x Design Recommendations / Custom board hardware design - List of errors observed during customer schematics review

The FAQ is generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

9 Layout Notes (Added on the Schematic)

The recommendation is to add required design notes for the processor peripherals. For example, USB2.0 interface, Ethernet interface, Display interface (DSI0), eMMC, OSPI, SD, and other available processor peripherals). Notes added can include board boot mode configurations, placement of series and parallel resistors, placement of decoupling and bulk capacitors.

Consider adding the required or applicable design notes to the processor attached devices and onboard devices.

Mark all differential signals, critical signals and specify the target impedance (as required). See the following examples:

- AM62x DDR Board Design and Layout Guidelines for the recommended target impedance for DDR4 and LPDDR4 signals. Additionally refer to the AM62Ax / AM62Px DDR Board Design and Layout Guidelines.
- The differential impedance for the USB2.0 data lines is expected to be within the specified tolerance for a nominal value of 90Ω.
- The differential impedance for the DSI0 signals is expected to be within the specified tolerance for a nominal value of 100Ω.

See the following FAQs:

[FAQ] AM625: PCB Pattern Recommendations for Specific Peripherals

[FAQ] AM625: MMC0 PCB Connectivity Requirements

AM6442: PCB layout guidelines for MMCSD0(eMMC) and MMCSD1(SD card)

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

9.1 Layout Checklist

General

Review and verify the following for the custom schematic design:

- 1. Above sections, including relevant application notes and FAQ links
- 2. Is the custom board designed to be compliant to the PCB trace delay requirements defined in the *Timing Conditions* table found in the *Timing and Switching Characteristics* section of the processor-specific data sheet
- 3. Applications, Implementation, and Layout section of the processor-specific data sheet and followed the relevant sections



10 Custom Board Design Simulation

The baseline drive impedance and ODT settings for memory (DDR4/LPDDR4) derived from the signal integrity (SI) simulations performed on the EVM.

The recommendation is to perform simulation for the custom design as the configuration values can differ.

Refer to the FAQs:

[FAQ] AM625 / AM623 / AM625SIP / AM625-Q1 / AM620-Q1 / AM62A7 / AM62A3 / AM62P / AM62P-Q1/ AM6442 / AM2432 Custom board hardware design – S-parameter and IBIS model of IO-buffer

[FAQ] Using DDR IBIS Models for AM64x, AM62x, AM62Ax, AM62Px

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for AM62Lx processor family.

To get an overview of the board extraction, simulation, and analysis methodologies for high speed LPDDR4 interface, see *LPDDR4 Board Design Simulations* chapter of the *AM62x DDR Board Design and Layout Guidelines* application note.

The drive strength is adjustable using the DDR Register Configuration Tool on SysConfig.

For more information, refer to the FAQs:

[FAQ] AM62A7 or AM62A3 Custom board hardware design – Processor DDR Subsystem and Device Register configuration

[FAQ] AM62A3-Q1: AM62A3-Q1 PDN Power SI SIMULATION Questions

The FAQs are generic and can also be used for the AM62Lx processor family.

11 Additional References

Additional references include FAQs and *Hardware Design Considerations for Custom Board Design* document for specific processor. Schematics for attached devices including PMIC and EPHY.

11.1 FAQ Covering AM6xx Processor Family

The following FAQ summarizes key collaterals that can be referenced during schematic design and review of the schematics:

[FAQ] AM64x, AM243x, AM62x, AM62Ax, AM62Px Custom board hardware design - Collaterals for Reference during Schematic design and Schematics Review

Note

While using the EVM PDF schematics for custom board schematic review and follow the FAQ links for additional information.

11.2 FAQs - Processor Product Family Wise and Sitara Processor Families

Based on interactions with board designers, queries from multiple board designers and learning from board designer queries, FAQs have been created to answer some of the commonly asked design question or provide design guidelines to support board designers during custom board design. Refer to the following list of FAQs that can be used during custom board design along with other available design collaterals including the *Hardware Design Considerations for Custom Board Design* and the *Schematic Design Guidelines and Schematic Review Checklist*:

AM62Lx Processor Family:

[FAQ] AM62L: Custom board hardware design - FAQs related to Processor collaterals, functioning, peripherals, interface and EVM

AM62Ax Processor Family:

[FAQ] AM62A7, AM62A7-Q1, AM62A3, AM62A3-Q1 Custom board hardware design - FAQs related to Processor collaterals, functioning, peripherals, interface and Starter kit

The FAQ includes the FAQs relevant to AM62D-Q1 processor family.

AM62Px Processor Family:

[FAQ] AM62P, AM62P-Q1 Custom board hardware design - FAQs related to Processor collaterals, functioning, peripherals, interface and Starter kit

AM62x Processor Family:

[FAQ] AM625, AM623, AM625SIP, AM625-Q1, AM620-Q1 Custom board hardware design - FAQs related to Processor collaterals, functioning, peripherals, interface and Starter kit

Sitara Processor Families:

[FAQ] Custom board hardware design - Master (Complete) list of FAQs for all Sitara processor (AM62x, AM64x, AM243x, AM335x) families

See the following FAQ link that lists all the available FAQs including software related FAQs:

[FAQ] AM6x: Latest FAQs on AM62x, AM64x, AM24x, AM3x, AM4x Sitara devices

11.3 Processor Attached Devices

Ethernet PHY PCB Design Layout Checklist

Note

Verify availability of device-specific schematic review checklist on TI.com for the attached devices and verify the custom board schematic implementation using the available checklist.

12 Summary

The user's guide is provided as a design guide for use by board designers during the custom board schematic design and review. The recommendations provided in the user's guide can help designers simplify the board design, reduce schematic errors, reduce board bring-up time, board debug time and can possibly minimize future board re-spins.

13 Terminology

ADC	Analog-to-Digital Converter
BOM	Bill of Materials
CAN	Controller Area Network
CPPI	Communications Port Programming Interface
CPSW3G	Common Platform Ethernet Switch 3-port Gigabit
DFU	Device Firmware Upgrade
DNI	Do Not Install
DPI	Display Parallel Interface
DRD	Dual-Role Device
E2E	Engineer to Engineer
ECC	Error-Correcting Code
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
EMI	Electromagnetic Interference
eMMC	embedded Multi-Media Card
EMU	Emulation Control



Terminology

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EOS	Electrical Over-Stress
ESD	Electrostatic discharge
ESL	Effective Series Inductance
ESR	Effective Series Resistance
FAQ	Frequently Asked Question
FET	Field-Effect Transistor
GPIO	General Purpose Input/Output
GPMC	General-Purpose Memory Controller
HS-RTDX	High Speed Real Time Data eXchange
I2C	Inter-Integrated Circuit
IBIS	Input/Output Buffer Information Specification
IEP	Industrial Ethernet Peripheral
JTAG	Joint Test Action Group
LDO	Low Dropout
LVCMOS	Low Voltage Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor
MAC	Media Access Controller
MCASP	Multichannel Audio Serial Ports
MCSPI	Multichannel Serial Peripheral Interface
MDI	Medium Dependent Interface
MDIO	Management Data Input/Output
ММС	Multi-Media Card
MMCSD	Multi-Media Card/Secure Digital
ODT	On-die Termination
OPN	Orderable Part Number
OSPI	Octal Serial Peripheral Interface
РСВ	Printed Circuit Board
PDN	Power Distribution Network
PET	Power Estimation Tool
PMIC	Power Management Integrated Circuit
POR	Power-on Reset
QSPI	Quad Serial Peripheral Interface
RGMII	Reduced Gigabit Media Independent Interface
RMII	Reduced Media Independent Interface
ROC	Processor-Specific Data Sheet Recommended Operating Condition
SD	Secure Digital
SDIO	Secure Digital Input Output
SPI	Serial Peripheral Interface
тск	Test Clock Input
TDI	Test Data Input
TDO	Test Data Output
TEN	Test Enable
TMS	Test Mode Select Input

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TRC_DATAn	Trace Data n
TRM	Technical Reference Manual
TRSTn	Reset
UART	Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
WKUP	Wake-up
XDS	eXtended Development System
ZQ	Devices Calibration reference

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