

## **RL78/G23**

## Capacitive Touch Low Power Guide (SNOOZE Mode Function)

## Introduction

This application note describes the method for implementing low-power operation in touch measurement by using the capacitive sensing unit (CTSU2L) of the RL78/G23. In this method, a combination of intermittent operation of the CPU under control of the 32-bit interval timer function (TML32) and the SNOOZE mode function of the CTSU2L is applied to achieve low power consumption in touch measurement.

## Target Device

RL78/G23

When implementing a touch application, extensively evaluate the touch function in terms of the target environment.

## Using the Low Power Consumption Application Notes

There are two ways of implementing low-power operation in touch measurement by using the capacitive sensing unit (CTSU2L) of the RL78/G23.

- a. Only using the SNOOZE mode function
- b. Using both the SNOOZE mode function and SNOOZE mode sequencer (SMS)

Use of the SMS function can further reduce power consumption in comparison with touch measurement by using only the SNOOZE mode function. However, this method keeps the SMS exclusively occupied in executing the processing for touch measurement so that the SMS is not available to execute other processing. Therefore, if you also want to use the SMS for other processing or to implement low-power operation with simple settings instead of using the SMS, read this application note.

If you want to use the SMS in implementing low-power operation, refer to the following application notes for details on the procedure for setting up the SMS for use.

- Sample code for using the SNOOZE mode function in combination with the SMS
   <u>RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Low Power Guide (SMS function) [R01AN6670]</u>
- Setting up to use the SNOOZE mode function in combination with the SMS <u>RL78 Family Capacitive Touch Low Power Application Development using SMS [R01AN7261]</u>



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#### 1. Overview

This application note describes the method for achieving low power consumption by using the SNOOZE mode function of the RL78/G23 in performing intermittent capacitive touch measurement operations. This application note also indicates reference current consumption when touch measurement proceeds in a 100-ms cycle. In the system described in this application note, power consumption is reduced to approximately 1/238 of that for a case where touch measurement is performed by the CPU without using intermittent operation.

#### 1.1 Assumed System

The low-power capacitive touch operation in the sample code is written on the assumption of the system shown in the red box in Figure 1-1. While the main system is on standby, measurement is only done for one capacitive touch button (the power button) at fixed intervals to determine whether a touch is detected. The system only begins normal operation when touch-on is detected for the power button.



Figure 1-1 Assumed System



Remark The SNOOZE mode function allows the starting of peripheral modules by external triggers in STOP mode without activating the CPU.

#### 2. Touch Measurement Mechanism

## 2.1 Flow of Operation for Low-Power Touch Measurement (SNOOZE Mode Function)

This section provides a summary of the linkage of peripheral module operations and describes how power consumption is reduced when the SNOOZE mode function is used to control intermittent operations for touch measurement.

Figure 2-1 shows an image of touch measurement operations with low power consumption (SNOOZE mode function).



Figure 2-1 Touch Measurement with Low Power Consumption (SNOOZE Mode Function)

#### Overview of operations

The 32-bit interval timer (TML32) is used to control the timing of touch measurement.

- 1. Upon reception of an interrupt request signal from TML32 (INTITL), the CTSU makes a transition from the suspended state (waiting for an external trigger) to measurement in SNOOZE mode. The CPU makes a transition from STOP mode to SNOOZE mode at this time.
- Upon reception of a request for writing settings to registers for each channel in the CTSU (INTCTSUWR), the DTC transfers the register settings used for touch measurement from RAM to the touch-related registers ((1) in the figure). The CTSU starts touch measurement in the corresponding channel according to the transferred register settings.



- 3. Upon reception of a measurement data transfer request from the CTSU (INTCTSURD), the DTC transfers the result of measurement from the touch-related register to RAM ((2) in the figure). Steps 2 and 3 are repeated the number of times corresponding to the number of measurement channels in the CTSU.
- 4. When the CTSU has completed measurements for all channels, it issues a CTSU measurement end interrupt request (INTCTSUFN) and enters the suspended state (waiting for a trigger). At this time, the CPU makes a transition from SNOOZE mode to Normal operation mode and starts operating.
- 5. Software performs touch-on/off judgment processing based on the results that have been read.
- 6. When the STOP instruction is executed, the CPU makes a transition from Normal operation mode to STOP mode. The CTSU then waits for the next interrupt request signal (INTITL).
- 7. Steps 1 to 6 are repeated.
- Reduction of the current consumption
- While touch measurement is not being executed, stopping the CPU operation by shifting the CPU to STOP mode can reduce the current consumption in period "a" in the figure in comparison with normal operation.
- Touch measurement in SNOOZE mode without activating the CPU can reduce the current consumption in period "b" in the figure in comparison with touch measurement during normal operation.



## 2.2 Peripheral Modules Used in Implementing Low-Power Touch Measurement (SNOOZE Mode Function)

Table 2-1 lists the peripheral modules used in handling intermittent operation in touch measurement through the SNOOZE mode function and the functions of the modules.

Table 2-1 Peripheral Modules and their Functions	Table 2-1 Peri	pheral Module	es and their	Functions
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Peripheral Module	Function
Capacitive sensing unit (CTSU2L)	Measures the capacitance generated on touch electrodes.
	The following settings are made to obtain low-power operation for
	the unit.
	<ul> <li>Selecting an external trigger</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Enabling the SNOOZE mode function</li> </ul>
Data transfer controller (DTC)	Transfers the settings used for touch measurement from RAM to
	the touch-related registers. On completion of each round of touch
	measurement, the DTC transfers the result of measurement
	(counted value) from the touch-related register to RAM.
32-bit interval timer (TML32)	Timer for counting the cycles of touch measurement.
	This timer generates an interrupt request signal (INTITL) at 100-
	ms touch measurement intervals.
Logic and event link controller (ELCL)	Specifies the TML32 interrupt request signal (INTITL) as the
	external trigger for the CTSU.

## 3. Environment and Conditions for Verifying Operation

Table 3-1 lists the elements of the environment for verifying operation. Table 3-2 lists the conditions for verifying operation.

Table 3-1 Environment for Verifying Operation
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Item	Description
Microcontroller used	RL78/G23 (R7F100GSN2DFB)
Operating frequency	<u>Main system clock</u>
	High-speed on-chip oscillator clock (fii): 32 MHz
	• CPU and peripheral hardware clock (fcLK): 32 MHz
	<u>Subsystem clock</u>
	Low-speed on-chip oscillator clock (fiL): 32.768 kHz
	Low-speed peripheral clock frequency (fsxp): 32.768 kHz
Operating voltage	5.0 V
	Level of voltage detection by LVD0 in reset mode
	For rising: 2.67 V typ. (2.59 V to 2.75 V)
	For falling: 2.62 V typ. (2.54 V to 2.70 V)
Target board	RL78/G23 capacitive touch evaluation system
	Product code: RTK0EG0030S01001BJ
Integrated development environment	e <sup>2</sup> studio (2025-01)
(e <sup>2</sup> studio)	from Renesas Electronics Corporation
Smart Configurator	V25.1.0
	from Renesas Electronics Corporation
C compiler (e <sup>2</sup> studio)	CC-RL V1.15.00
	from Renesas Electronics Corporation
QE for Capacitive Touch	V4.1.0
	from Renesas Electronics Corporation



#### Table 3-2 Conditions for Verifying Operation

Item	Description
Touch measurement cycle	100 ms
Sensor driving pulse frequency	2.0 MHz
Touch sensor (TS pin)	TS06
Judgment method	Value majority mode (VMM)
Measurement mode	Self-capacitance method
	(MD1 bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 0)
Scan mode	Multi-scan mode
	(MD0 bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Measurement start trigger	External trigger (ELCL)
	(CAP bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Enabling or disabling the SNOOZE mode function	The SNOOZE mode function is enabled.
	(SNZ bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Boost power	Boost power on
	(PUMPON bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Measurement power-supply	Measurement power-supply voltage = 1.5 V
	(ATUNE0 bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 0)
Measurement power-supply current adjustment	40 µA
	(ATUNE1 bit of the CTSUCRAL register = 1,
	ATUNE2 bit of the CTSUCRAH register = 0)
Non-measured pin output selection	Low-level output
	(POSEL[1:0] bits of the CTSUCRAH register = 00b)
Sensor driving pulse selection	High-resolution pulse mode
	(SDPSEL bit of the CTSUCRAH register = 1)
Sensor stabilization wait time	32 cycles
	(SST[7:0] bits of the CTSUCRBL register = 0x1f)
Measurement count setting	7
	(SNUM[7:6] bits of the CTSUSO1 register = 00b,
	SNUM[5:0] bits of the CTSUSO0 register = 00111b)



#### 4. Hardware Descriptions

## 4.1 Example of Hardware Configuration

Figure 4-1 shows an example of the hardware configuration used in this application note.



Figure 4-1 Hardware Configuration

- Caution 1. This circuit diagram is simplified to show only an overview of the relevant connections. In actually designing the circuit for a user board, appropriately handle the pins such that the electrical characteristics are satisfied (connect each input-only port pin to VDD or VSS via a resistor).
- Caution 2. Connect the pins having names beginning with EVss to Vss and the pins having names beginning with EVDD to VDD.
- Caution 3. VDD must not be lower than the reset release voltage (VLVD0) that is specified for LVD0.

## 4.2 List of Pins to be Used

Table 4-1 lists the pins to be used and their functions.

Pin Name	I/O	Function
P74/TS06	Input/output	Pin for use in measuring capacitance
P61	Output	Pin for controlling LED2
P30/TSCAP	—	Pin to connect a secondary power capacitor for use in measurement

#### Table 4-1 Pins to be Used and Their Functions

Caution This application note only describes handling of the pins that are to be used. In actually designing the circuit for a user board, appropriately handle all pins such that the electrical characteristics are satisfied.



#### 5. Software Descriptions

#### 5.1 Outline of Sample Code Operations

The sample code performs the following operations that correspond to low-power capacitive touch measurement as shown in Figure 1-1, Assumed System, in chapter 1.

- 1. After release from the power-on reset state, the RM\_TOUCH\_Open function is executed to initialize the capacitive sensing unit (CTSU).
- 2. The ELCL event source is set to channel 0 compare match (INTITL0) of the 32-bit interval timer (TML32). The event link destination is set as the CTSU.
- After the touch measurement settings are made and the SNOOZE mode function is enabled by executing the RM\_TOUCH\_ScanStart function<sup>Note</sup>, the CTSU is placed in the suspended state and waits for an external trigger.
- 4. Counting in the TML32 timer is started to time the 100-ms measurement intervals.
- 5. The CPU is placed in STOP mode by execution of the STOP instruction.
- 6. When the TML32 interrupt request (INTITL0) is generated, the CTSU is started by the external trigger from the ELCL that is generated in response. The CPU is then placed in SNOOZE mode and the CTSU starts touch measurement.
- 7. When the CTSU ends measurement, it generates a measurement end interrupt (INTCTSUFN) and enters the measurement standby state. The CPU enters Normal operation mode.
- 8. The results of measurement are obtained and judgment of the touch-on or touch-off state is made by execution of the RM\_Touch\_DataGet function. An LED (LED2) is turned on when touch-on is detected or turned off when touch-off is detected.
- 9. Steps 5 to 8 are repeated.
- Note In the processing of the RM\_TOUCH\_ScanStart function, the CAP bit of the CTSUCRAL register is set to 1, the SNZ bit is set to 1, and the STRT bit is then set to 1. For details on setting conditions, refer to the description of the SNZ bit in section 30.2.3, CTSU control registers AL and AH (CTSUCRAL, CTSUCRAH), in the RL78/G23 User's Manual: Hardware (R01UH0896).

#### 5.2 Smart Configurator Settings

#### 5.2.1 Components Used

Figure 5-1 shows the components used by the sample code as they appear in the Smart Configurator.

Component	Version	Configuration
📀 Board Support Packages v1.80 (r_bsp)	1.80	r_bsp(used)
Capacitive Sensing Unit driver. (r_ctsu)	2.10	r_ctsu(used)
ELCL Flexible Circuit	1.0.0	Config_ELCL(used)
Interval Timer	1.6.0	Config_ITL000(ITL000: used)
Ports	1.6.0	Config_PORT(PORT: used)
Touch middleware. (rm_touch)	2.10	rm_touch(used)
Voltage Detector	1.5.0	Config_LVD0(LVD0: used)

Figure 5-1 Components Used as Shown in the Smart Configurator



#### 5.2.2 Component Settings

Table 5-1 shows the settings for each component in the sample code.

Table 5-1	l Settings	of Components
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Component	Setting	Description
Capacitive sensing unit driver (CTSU)	r_ctsu	Set the DTC for data transfer in response to the generation of an interrupt request (INTCTSUWR or INTCTSURD). Specify use of the TSCAP pin and all TS pins.
Touch middleware	rm_touch	Default settings
ELCL flexible circuit <sup>Note</sup>	Config_ELCL	Select the 32-bit interval timer as the input source and the required external trigger (CTSU hardware trigger) as the output signal. Select L1L0 as the logic cell block to be used.
Interval timer	Config_ITL000	Set the operating clock to fSXP, the clock frequency to fITL0/128, and the interval to 100 ms.
Ports	Config_PORT	Set P61 as an output initially at the high level.
Voltage detector	Config_LVD0	Set the voltage for generating a reset to 2.62 V.

Note The ELCL flexible circuit is supported by the graphical configurator in V. 24.1.0 and later versions of the Smart Configurator, so the settings of the logic and event link controller (ELCL) can be made in a graphical manner.

Figure 5-2 shows the settings for the ELCL on the [Components] tabbed page.



Figure 5-2 Settings of the ELCL



Remark For details of how to set up the ELCL, open [Help Contents] in the  $e^2$  studio, select [e2 studio User Guide]  $\rightarrow$  [Building Projects]  $\rightarrow$  [Smart Configurator for RL78], and refer to the contents of "Adding Graphical Configurator Module".

When using CS+, refer to the equivalent contents from [Help] in the Smart Configurator.



Figure 5-3 Help Page on How to Use the Graphical Configurator for ELCL Settings (e<sup>2</sup> studio)

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Figure 5-4 Help Page on How to Use the Graphical Configurator for ELCL Settings (CS+)



## 5.3 Capacitive Touch Settings

Figure 5-5 shows the touch interface configuration. Figure 5-6 shows the results of QE tuning. Measurement is done through TS06 with the self-capacitance method.

File Name of Touch I/F:	rl78g23_touch_snooze_sample	Setup Configuration
Description:		
Button00		
TS06		
1300		
**************************************		

#### Figure 5-5 Touch Interface Configuration

Tuning G	esture							
Touch I/F	Configuration:	r178q23 to	ouch_snooze_sar	nple				
ioucii i/i								
louchtijt								
	-							
Method	-	Name	Touch Sensor	Parasitic Capacitance[pF]	Sensor Drive Pulse Frequency[MHz]	Threshold	Scan Time[ms]	Overflow

Figure 5-6 Results of QE Tuning



### 5.4 CTSU Startup Setting

Select "Use an external trigger" in QE for Capacitive Touch as shown in Figure 5-7. This setting enables the SNOOZE mode function of the CTSU2L, which reduces the power consumption as a standby state.

Preparation	Tuning	Coding	Monitoring	
1.Preparation	-	To Output Parameter	Files	
Select a Project				
Prepare a Configuration	Output param	neter files from a tuning result.		
2.Tuning Touch Sensors	•	Output Parameter Files		
Start Tuning (Emulator)			Specify an output folder	
Start Tuning (Serial)			Use an external trigger	
Output Parameter Files			Use diagnostic code	
- ·			Use API compatilibity mode	

Figure 5-7 Selecting an External Trigger in QE for Capacitive Touch

## 5.5 Settings of the Option Bytes

Table 5-2 shows the settings of the option bytes.

#### Table 5-2 Settings of the Option Bytes

Address	Setting	Description	
000C0H or 040C0H	11101111B (0xEF)	Stops the watchdog timer <sup>Note</sup> .	
		Counting is stopped after release from the reset state.	
000C1H or 040C1H	11111100B (0xFC)	Level of voltage detection by LVD0 in reset mode	
		For rising: 2.67 V typ. (2.59 V to 2.75 V)	
		For falling: 2.62 V typ. (2.54 V to 2.70 V)	
000C2H or 040C2H	11101000B (0xE8)	HS mode	
		High-speed on-chip oscillator clock (f <sub>H</sub> ): 32 MHz	
000C3H or 040C3H	10000100B (0x84)	Enables on-chip debugging	

Note: The setting for the watchdog timer is in the list of configuration items for r\_bsp on the [Components] tabbed page. Do not change it from the default setting ("Unused").



#### 5.6 Folder and File Configuration

Table 5-3 lists the sample code folders generated by the Smart Configurator and QE for Capacitive Touch. Table 5-4 lists the files of sample code in which contents have been added or changed from the generated code.

#### Table 5-3 Sample Code Folders

Folder Name	Description
qe_gen	Folder generated by QE for Capacitive Touch
smc_gen	Folder generated by the Smart Configurator

#### Table 5-4 Files of Sample Code in Which Contents have been Added or Changed

File Name	Outline	Changed or Added Contents
rl78g23_rssk_snooze_sample.c	Main processing	The following processing was added.
		<ul> <li>Enabling of maskable interrupts</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>A call of the function for touch measurement control processing</li> </ul>
mcu_clocks.c	Clock setting	The setting of the CMC register was changed. (For handling of unused pins P123 and P124)
qe_touch_sample.c	Touch measurement	The following processing was added.
	control processing	Processing to reduce power consumption
		LED control processing
		The setting of the CSC register was changed. (For handling of unused pins P123 and P124)



#### 5.7 Details of the Sample Code

#### 5.7.1 List of Variables

Table 5-5 lists the global variables that are used in this sample code.

#### **Table 5-5 Global Variables**

Туре	Variable Name	Description
uint64_t	button_status	Variable to check the button state
uint8_t	g_qe_touch_flag	Measurement completion flag

#### 5.7.2 List of Functions

The specifications of the functions added or changed in this sample code are shown below.

main()			
Synopsis	Main processing		
Declaration	void main(void)		
Explanation	Calls the qe_touch_main() function.		
Argument			
Return value			
qe_touch_main()			
Synopsis	Touch measurement control processing		
Declaration	void ge touch main(void)		

Declaration	void qe_touch_main(void)
Explanation	Configures the touch measurement settings to use the SNOOZE mode function and then controls the touch measurement.
	Touch measurement is repeated and a result of measurement is obtained each time, and LED2 is then turned on if touch-on is detected or off if touch-off is detected.
Argument	
Return value	—



## 5.7.3 Flowcharts

## 5.7.3.1 Main Processing

Figure 5-8 shows the flowchart for the main processing.



Figure 5-8 Main Processing



#### 5.7.3.2 Touch Measurement Control Processing

Figure 5-9 and Figure 5-10 are the flowchart for touch measurement control processing.



Figure 5-9 Touch Measurement Control Processing (1/2)



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Figure 5-10 Touch Measurement Control Processing (2/2)



## 6. Current Consumption

## 6.1 Environment for Measuring Current Consumption

Figure 6-1 shows the environment used in measuring current consumption.



Figure 6-1 Environment for Measuring Current Consumption

## 6.2 Measurement Equipment and Software

Table 6-1 shows the equipment and software used in measuring current consumption.

Туре	Name	Description
Digital multimeter	Keithley DMM7510	Measures current consumption.
Regulated power supply	KENWOOD PWR18-2TP	Supplies power to the CPU board of the RL78/G23 capacitive touch evaluation system (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ).
Software	KickStart (V1.9.8.21)	Gets results of measurement of current consumption from the Keithley DMM7510 and outputs the results to a log file.



#### 6.3 CPU Board Jumper Settings

Table 6-2 shows the jumper settings on the CPU board of the RL78/G23 capacitive touch evaluation system when current consumption is to be measured.

#### Table 6-2 CPU Board Jumper Settings

Jumper	Circuit Group	Setting	Description
JP1	VCC power	Open (See Figure 6-1.)	Power supply from JP1: 2
JP2	MCU_VCC power	Open	For measuring current consumption
JP3	Power-supply circuit	Pins 1-2 closed	—
JP4	Power-supply circuit	Pins 1-2 closed	
SW7	Capacitive touch	Off (pins 1-2)	—



#### 6.4 Settings of Unused Pins

Table 6-3 shows the settings specified for the port component in the Smart Configurator to prevent the flow of current into unused pins during measurement of current consumption by the RL78/G23 capacitive touch evaluation system (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ).

#### Table 6-3 Settings of Port Pins

Port Group	Port Name	Destination of Connection	Setting	Remarks
PORT0	P04	_	Low output	Open
	P07	CN2		- P - · ·
PORT1	P10 to P12	CN3	Low output	Open
	P13 to P15		Low output	Open
	P16	SW4	Input	Connect to VDD via a resistor.
	P17		Low output	Open
PORT2	P20	CN2	Low output	Open
	P21			
PORT3	P32	CN1	Low output	Open
	P33	U3		
	P34	U4		
	P35	CN1		
	P36 to P37	CN1 (LED_COL)	Low output	Set the pins such that none of the matrix LEDs on the electrode board of the evaluation system are turned on.
PORT4	P41 to P42		Low output	Open
	P43 to P46	CN3		
	P47	CN1		
PORT5	P51 to P56	—	Low output	Open
	P57	SW3	Input	Connect to VDD via a resistor.
PORT6	P60	LED1	High output	Set the pin such that LED1 on the CPU board of the evaluation system is not turned on.
	P62 to P63		Low output	Open
PORT8	P80 to P87	—	Low output	Open
PORT9	P90 to P97	—	Low output	Open
PORT10	P100 to P101	—	Low output	Open
	P102	CN2		
	P103	—		
	P104 to P106	CN1 (LED_ROW)	High output	Set the pins such that none of the matrix LEDs on the electrode board of the evaluation system are turned on.
PORT11	P110 to P117	—	Low output	Open
PORT12	P120	CN1 (LED_ROW)	High output	Set the pin such that none of the matrix LEDs on the electrode board of the evaluation system are turned on.
	P121 to P122		Low output	Open



Port Group	Port Name	Destination of Connection	Setting	Remarks
PORT12	P123 to P124 <sup>Note</sup>		Input	Set the EXCLKS bit to 0 and the OSCSELS bit to 1 in the clock operation mode control register (CMC), set the XTSTOP bit in the clock operation status control register (CSC) to 1, and leave the pins open.
	P125 to P127	—	Low output	Open
PORT13	P130	CN2	Low output	Open
	P137	CN3	Input	Connect to VDD via a resistor.
PORT14	P140 to P141	CN1 (LED_COL)	Low output	Set the pins such that none of the matrix LEDs on the electrode board of the evaluation system are turned on.
	P142	CN1	Low output	Open
	P143 to P144	CN1		
	P145 to P147	—		
PORT15	P156		Low output	Open

Note The CSC register is set by the qe\_touch\_main function in qe\_touch\_sample.c. The CMC register is set by the mcu\_clock\_setup function in mcu\_clocks.c as shown in Figure 6-2.



Figure 6-2 Editing the mcu\_clocks.c File



## 6.5 Settings of the Tool for Measuring Current Consumption

Figure 6-3 shows the settings of the tool for measuring current consumption (Keithley KickStart).

Measurement Setting	js	Trigger	
Function	Digitize Current 🛛 👻	Trigger Mode	Immediate 🔹
Range	10mA <del>-</del>	Acquisition	
Aperture (s)	0.000001	Sample Rate	100000
Auto Aperture	7	Sample Count	100000
Display Digits	6.5 🗸	Start at HH:MM	2024/04/25 17:39:34 🝷 🗌
Rel		Timestamp Format	Relative 🔻

Figure 6-3 Settings of the Tool for Measuring Current Consumption (Keithley KickStart)



#### 6.6 Results of Measuring Current Consumption

This section shows a comparison of the results of measuring current consumption in low-power operation and in normal operation.

For low-power operation, intermittent operations for touch measurement are handled by using the SNOOZE mode function.

For normal operation, touch measurement always proceeds in Normal operation mode without using the SNOOZE mode function or intermittent operations.

#### 6.6.1 Waveforms of Current Consumption in Intermittent Operations

Figure 6-4 shows the waveforms of current consumption when touch measurement proceeds every 100 ms in low-power operation.



Figure 6-4 Waveforms of Current Consumption When Touch Measurement Proceeds Every 100 ms (Low-Power Operation)



Figure 6-5 shows the waveforms of current consumption when touch measurement proceeds every 100 ms in normal operation.



Figure 6-5 Waveforms of Current Consumption When Touch Measurement Proceeds Every 100 ms (Normal Operation)



#### 6.6.2 Waveforms of Current Consumption during Touch Measurement Processing

Figure 6-6 shows the waveforms of current consumption during touch measurement processing in low-power operation. Table 6-4 lists the states of the CPU and CTSU in each measurement period. This figure shows the waveforms of current consumption for the series of operations in which the CPU makes the transition from STOP mode to SNOOZE mode to perform touch measurement processing and then to Normal operation mode to perform touch measurement end processing and touch-on/off judgment processing.



Figure 6-6 Waveforms of Current Consumption during Touch Measurement Processing (Low-Power Operation)

Number in the Figure	State of the CPU	State of the CTSU Hardware	Remark
(1)	STOP mode	Suspended state	—
(2)	SNOOZE mode	Measurement in SNOOZE mode is in progress.	The operation is shifted to (3) and measurement begins 80 base-clock cycles after the clock supply (fCLK) to the CTSU is started.
(3)	SNOOZE mode	Measurement in SNOOZE mode is in progress.	The CTSU is operating.
(4)	Normal operation mode	Suspended state	The CTSU is stopped. The CPU handles calculating the results of measurement.



Figure 6-7 shows the waveforms of current consumption during touch measurement processing in normal operation. Table 6-5 lists the states of the CPU and CTSU in each measurement period. This figure shows the waveforms of current consumption for the series of operations "touch measurement processing, touch measurement end processing, and touch-on/off judgment processing" when the CPU is always in Normal operation mode.



Figure 6-7 Waveforms of Current Consumption during Touch Measurement Processing (Normal Operation)

Number in the Figure	State of the CPU	State of the CTSU Hardware	Remark
(1)	Normal operation mode	Waiting for the start of measurement	_
(2)		Measurement in normal operation is in progress.	The operation is shifted to (3) and measurement begins 80 base-clock cycles after the clock supply (fCLK) to the CTSU is started.
(3)		Measurement in normal operation is in progress.	The CTSU is operating.
(4)		Waiting for the start of measurement	The CTSU is stopped. The CPU handles calculating the results of measurement.



#### 6.6.3 Average Current Consumption per 100 ms

The following shows the results of average current consumption as obtained by the Keithley KickStart software. Table 6-6 shows the average current consumption in each CPU mode and the average current consumption per 100 ms in low-power operation.

#### Table 6-6 Results of Average Current Consumption (Low-Power Operation)

CPU Mode	Time (ms)	Average Current Consumption (µA)
STOP mode	99.08	0.811
SNOOZE mode (touch measurement processing)	0.77	1302
Normal operation mode (touch measurement end processing + touch-on/off judgment processing)	0.15	3868
STOP mode + SNOOZE mode + Normal operation mode	100	16.78

#### Average current consumption per 100 ms $\approx$ 16.78 $\mu A$

Table 6-7 shows the average current consumption per 100 ms in normal operation.

#### Table 6-7 Results of Average Current Consumption (Normal Operation)

CPU Mode	Time (ms)	Average Current Consumption (µA)
Normal operation mode (touch measurement processing + touch measurement end processing + touch-on/off	100	3994
judgment processing)		

#### Average current consumption per 100 ms $\approx$ 3.994 mA

Table 6-8 indicates the difference in the average current consumption per 100 ms between the operation conditions that apply in Table 6-6 and Table 6-7.

#### Table 6-8 Difference in Average Current Consumption between Operation Conditions

Operation Condition	SNOOZE Mode Function and Intermittent Operation	Transitions between CPU Modes	Average Current Consumption per	
Low-power operation	Used	STOP mode $\rightarrow$ SNOOZE mode $\rightarrow$ Normal operation mode	16.78 μA	Reduced to approximately 1/238
Normal operation	Not used	Always in Normal operation mode	3.994 mA	



## 7. Sample Code

The sample code is available on the Renesas Electronics Web site.

# 8. Notes on the Sample Code (Timing of Determining the Result of Touch Measurement)

#### 8.1 Effect of Debouncing count of touch-on and touch-off filter

The timing when the touch measurement result is determined depends on the settings of the debouncing count of touch-on and touch-off filter. The result of touch measurement is determined when the measured capacitance value is detected as either the touch-on or touch-off value the required consecutive number (each noise filter setting value + 1) of times.

In the sample code, the number of cycles is set to "3" for both the debouncing count of touch-on and touchoff filter. Therefore, the RM\_TOUCH\_DataGet function is called in every touch measurement cycle to get the measured value and the result of touch measurement is determined as touch-on or touch-off when the state of either touch-on or touch-off is detected four consecutive times.

For details, see the application note RL78 Family TOUCH Module Software Integration System (R11AN0485).

## 8.2 Effect of Moving Average Setting

The timing of determining the result of touch measurement depends on the setting for moving average calculation.

In the sample code, the number of samples for the moving average is set to "4". This number of samples can be specified by using the variable "num\_moving\_average" in the qe\_touch\_config.c file.

Figure 8-1 shows examples of moving average processing.



Figure 8-1 Examples of Moving Average Processing



#### 9. Documents for Reference

- User's Manuals
  - RL78/G23 User's Manual: Hardware [R01UH0896]
  - RL78 Family User's Manual: Software [R01US0015]

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User's Manual: Development Environment

- RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System User's Manual (RTK0EG0030S0100BJ) [R12UZ0095]
- Application Notes
  - Capacitive Sensor Microcontrollers CTSU Capacitive Touch Introduction Guide [R30AN0424]
  - Capacitive Sensor Microcontrollers CTSU Capacitive Touch Electrode Design Guide [R30AN0389]
  - RL78 Family Using QE and SIS to Develop Capacitive Touch Applications [R01AN5512]
  - RL78 Family CTSU Module Software Integration System [R11AN0484]
  - RL78 Family TOUCH Module Software Integration System [R11AN0485]
  - RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Low Power Guide (SMS function) [R01AN6670]
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		5	Figure 2-1, Touch Measurement with Low Power Consumption (SNOOZE Mode Function), was added.	
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		10	Section 5.2.1, Components Used, was added.	
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		11	A note on the settings of the ELCL flexible circuit was added to section 5.2.2.	
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		14	Section 5.4, CTSU Startup Setting, was added.	
		14	Section 5.5, Settings of the Option Bytes, was added.	
		15	Section 5.6, Folder and File Configuration, was added.	
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		22-23	Section 6.4, Settings of Unused Pins, was added.	
		23	A note on register settings was added to section 6.4.	
		24	Figure 6-3 was updated.	
		25	The results of measurement of current consumption in normal operation were added to section 6.6 and the description in the section was updated.	
		26	Figure 6-5, Waveforms of Current Consumption When Touch Measurement Proceeds Every 100 ms (Normal Operation), was added.	



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28	Figure 6-7, Waveforms of Current Consumption during Touch Measurement Processing (Normal Operation), was added.
28	Table 6-5, States of the CPU and CTSU in Each Measurement Period (Normal Operation), was added.
29	Section 6.6.3, Average Current Consumption per 100 ms, was added to give the results for average current consumption (Table 6-6 and Table 6-7).
29	Table 6-8, Difference in Average Current Consumptionbetween Operation Conditions, was added.
30	Section 8.1 was updated.
30	The number of samples for moving averages in the sample code was corrected.
30	The timing of determining the result of touch measurement was corrected in section 8.2 and Figure 8-1.



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