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Errata

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The product generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and may cause harmful interference to radio communications. There is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment causes harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off or on, you are encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Ensure attached cables do not lie across the equipment.
- Reorient the receiving antenna.
- Increase the distance between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that which the receiver is connected.
- Power down the equipment when not in use.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Note: It is recommended that wherever possible shielded interface cables are used.

The product is potentially susceptible to certain EMC phenomena. To mitigate against them it is recommended that the following measures be undertaken:

- The user is advised that mobile phones should not be used within 10 m of the product when in use.
- The user is advised to take ESD precautions when handling the equipment.

The Evaluation Kit does not represent an ideal reference design for an end product and does not fulfill the regulatory standards for an end product.

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1. Introduction

This Errata describes the known issues and deviations to the functional specifications for the EK-RA4C1 v1, the Evaluation Kit for the RA4C1 MCU Group. For additional information on the kit, see the EK-RA4C1 v1 User's Manual.

2. Known Issues and Exceptions

2.1 MCU Port Pin P600 Shared Between Arduino & Segment LCD Interfaces

The RA4C1 MCU port pin P600 is used for both the Arduino and Segment LCD interfaces but there is no provision to isolate these connections. There may be contention if both interfaces are used simultaneously.

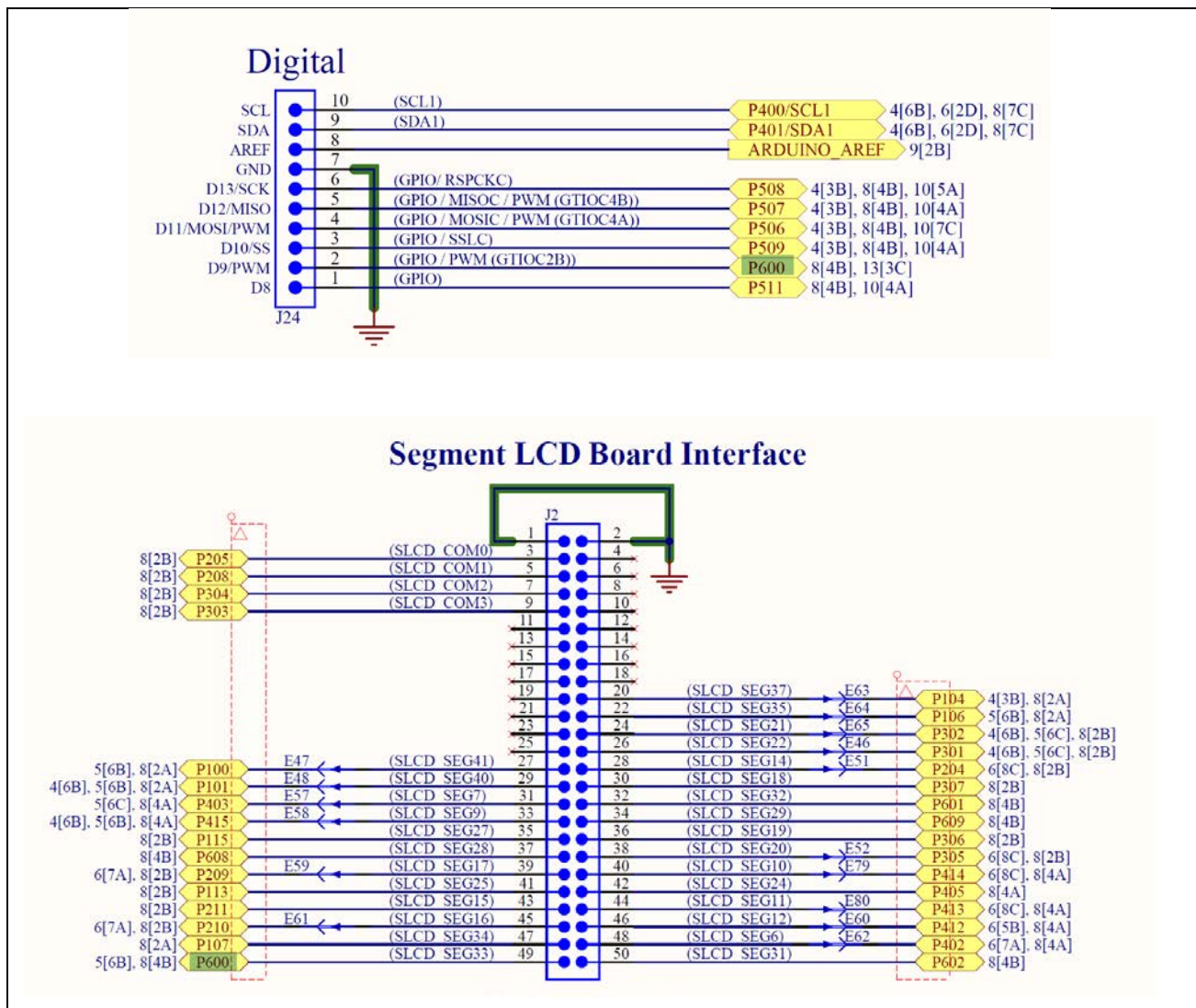


Figure 1. MCU Port Pin P600

2.1.1 Corrective Action

None.

2.1.2 Boards Affected

Version:	1
Serial numbers:	301201 to 301500 and 32243 to 32742

2.2 Inaccuracy in RTC (Real Time Clock)

2.2.1 Description

Due to incorrectly specified crystal load capacitance and capacitors C22 and C23, the RTC can be inaccurate in the order of 10 seconds every 24 hours. This is because the fitted crystal ABS07-32.768KHZ-9-T requires a 9pF load capacitance C_L , given by the formula $C22 = C23 = 2 \times (C_L - C_{stray})$, and so the load capacitors C22 and C23 should be significantly lower than the fitted 27pF capacitors.

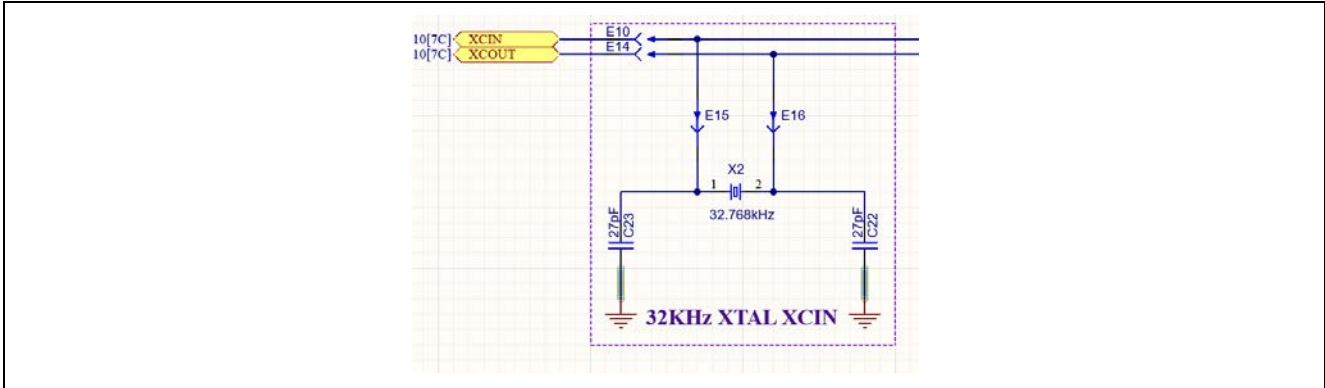


Figure 2. Crystal Oscillator with incorrect load capacitance

2.2.2 Corrective Action

[Affected Kits]

To address this the user can replace the load capacitors, C22/C23, with 10pF parts, for example GRT1555C2A100JA02D. This value has been tested and found to be appropriate for the device and board configuration.

[Future Kits]

This issue will be corrected in later versions of the kit.

2.2.3 Kits Affected

Version:	1
Serial numbers:	301201 to 301500 and 32243 to 32742

3. Appendix – Board Identification

3.1 Board Version

The board version can be found on the EK-RA4C1 board packaging label and EK-RA4C1 board as described in this section. The board version is the last digit in the orderable part number as shown in the Figure 3. In the example below, the board version number is “1” as shown in both Figure 3 and Figure 4.

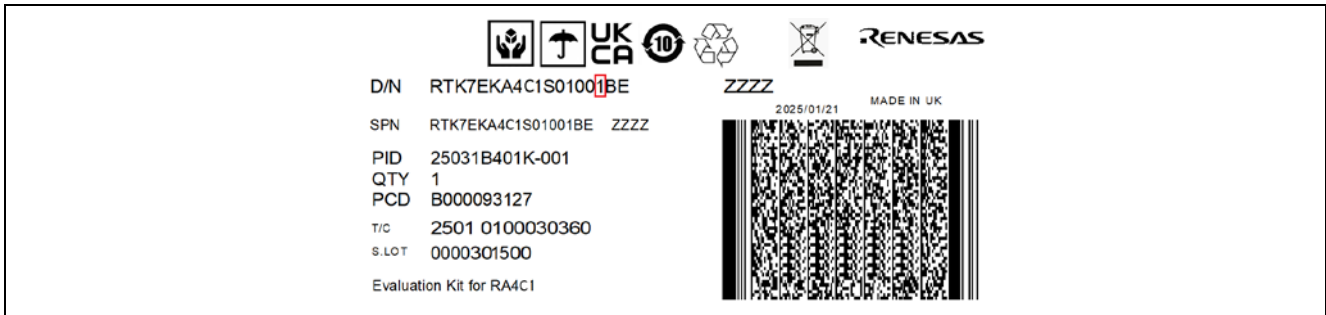


Figure 3. Identification of the Kit Version Number on the EK-RA4C1 Kit Packaging



Figure 4. Identification of the Kit Version Number on the EK-RA4C1 Board.

3.2 Serial Number

In addition to the kit version number, the kit serial number is used to uniquely identify a kit.

The serial number is located on the packaging label identified as S.LOT and on the bar code sticker on the back/bottom side of EK-RA4C1 board. In the example in Figure 5 and Figure 6, the serial number is “301500”

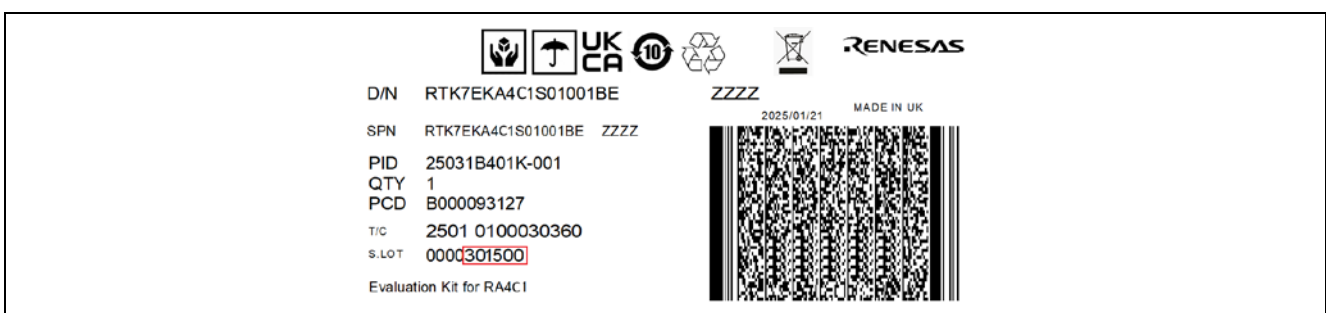


Figure 5. Identification of the Serial Number on the EK-RA4C1 Kit Packaging



Figure 6. Identification of the Serial Number on the EK-RA4C1 Board

4. Website and Support

Visit the following URLs to learn about the kit and the RA family of microcontrollers, download tools and documentation, and get support.

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