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Using the Simple Flash API for RX without the r_bsp Module

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Introduction

Starting with version 2.20 of the Simple Flash API for RX the Renesas Board Support Package (r_bsp) was introduced as a software dependency. The r_bsp provides many features to the user and is a requirement to use any Firmware Integration Technology (FIT) software module. The Simple Flash API for RX uses the r_bsp to determine information about the MCU being used and to ensure that only one flash operation is ongoing at any given time. Though not recommended, some users will wish to use the Simple Flash API for RX without the r_bsp and this document describes the steps that will need to be performed to do so.

Target Device

The following is a list of devices that are currently supported by r_bsp and the Simple Flash API for RX:

- **RX210 Group**
- **RX610 Group**
- **RX621, RX62N, RX62T, RX62G Groups**
- **RX630, RX631, RX63N, RX63T Groups**

When using this application note with other Renesas MCUs, careful evaluation is recommended after making modifications to comply with the alternate MCU.

Related Documents

This document will assume that the user is familiar with the basic concepts of the Simple Flash API for RX, FIT, and the r_bsp. If you need more information on these topics please read the documents listed below.

- Simple Flash API for RX600 & RX200 (R01AN0544EU0240)
- Firmware Integration Technology User's Manual (R01AN1833EU0100)
- Board Support Package Module Using Firmware Integration Technology (R01AN1685EU0230)

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1. Overview

By default the Simple Flash API for RX (Flash API for short) is intended to be used as shown in Figure 1. In this setup the user’s code has the ability to use both the Flash API and the r_bsp. The Flash API requires the r_bsp to be present.

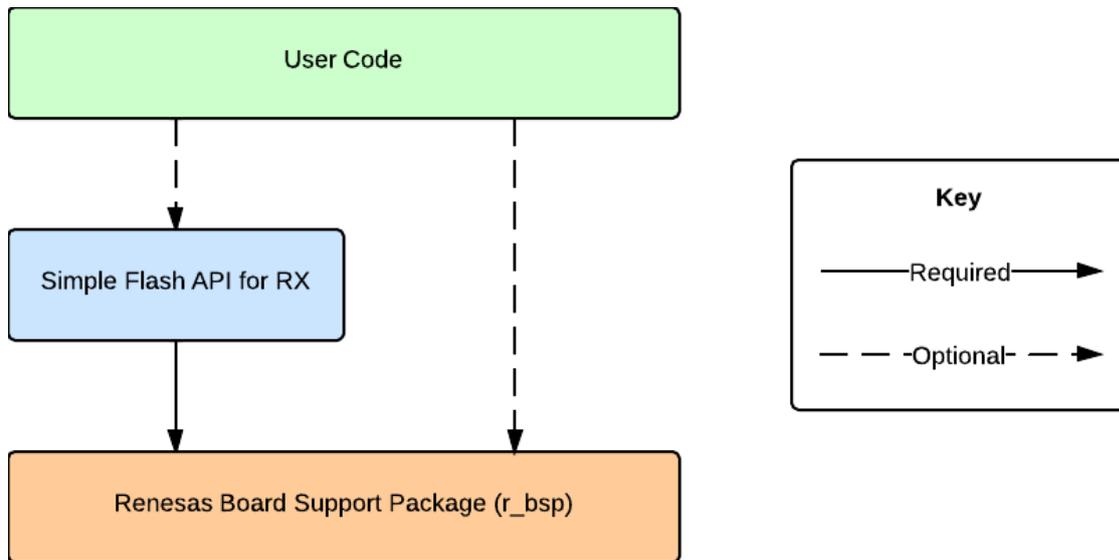


Figure 1: Default Project Setup

In order for the Flash API to work without the r_bsp the user must replace the r_bsp Module with their own custom board support package (BSP) code. In this document the user’s custom BSP code will be referred to as u_bsp (user BSP). The u_bsp must provide the same information and API calls to the Flash API as provided by the r_bsp. If some r_bsp features are not used by the user then they may choose to omit that functionality from their u_bsp.

This document will only cover creating a u_bsp that supports the Flash API. If the user’s code uses the r_bsp, or if other FIT Modules are used, then the user will be responsible for implementing that functionality in their u_bsp.

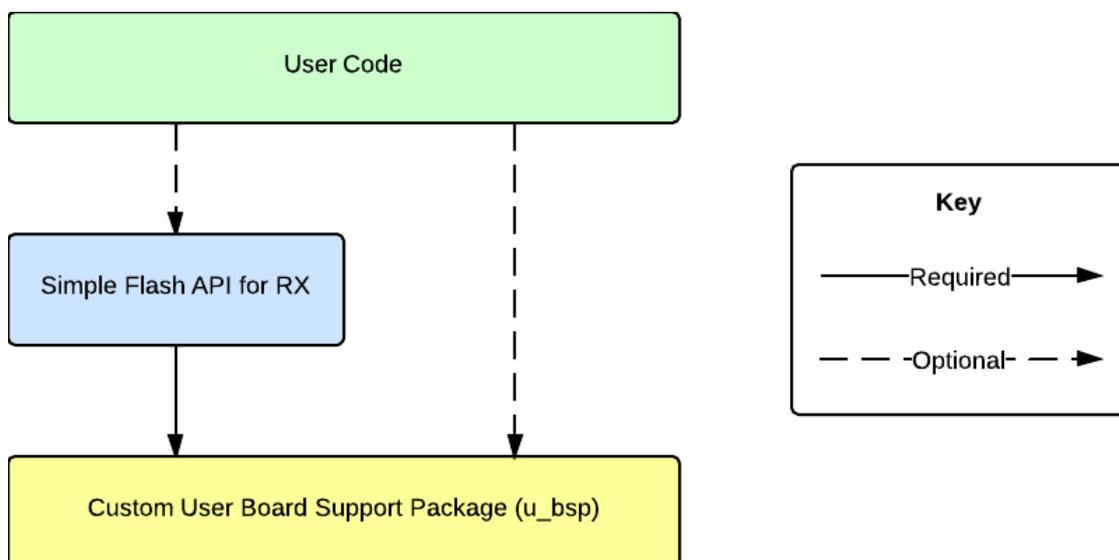
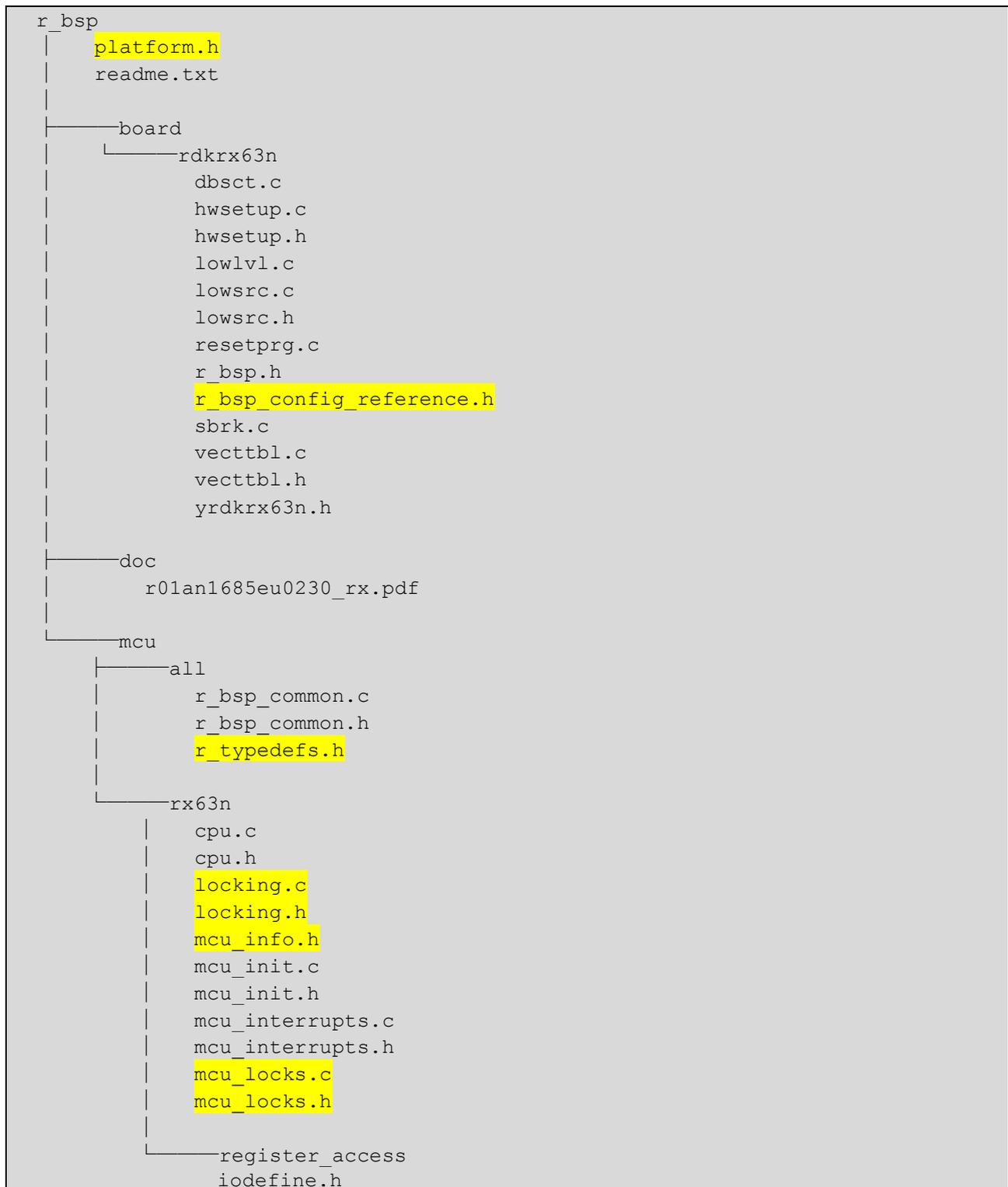


Figure 2: Project with Custom User BSP

2. Creating a u_bsp

Each subsection below will detail the pieces of the r_bsp that will need to be implemented in the u_bsp. The box below shows the default files for the RDKRX63N r_bsp. The highlighted files are the ones that will be mentioned in this section. The example below is for the RDKRX63N but the same files are available for other RX boards and MCUs.



2.1 MCU Information

The Flash API supports many RX MCUs. Across these MCUs the ROM and Data Flash specifications differ. The Flash API is designed such that it will automatically configure its own code at compile-time based upon which MCU is being used. The Flash API gets information about the MCU from the r_bsp. More specifically, this information is found in the file *mcu_info.h*. This header file uses information provided by the user in *r_bsp_config.h* to create macros that detail the MCU.

Below is an excerpt from the *mcu_info.h* header file for the RX63N. The macro `BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE` is defined in *r_bsp_config.h* and set by the user. In this example, if the user set `BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE` to 3 in their *r_bsp_config.h* file then *mcu_info.h* would define these two macros:

1. `BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP144` defined as '1'
2. `BSP_PACKAGE_PINS` defined as '144'

```

/* Package. */
#if BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x0
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP176    (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (176)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x1
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LFBGA176  (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (176)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x2
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_TFLGA177  (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (177)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x3
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP144   (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (144)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x4
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_TFLGA145  (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (145)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x5
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP100   (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (100)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x6
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_TFLGA100  (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (100)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x7
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP80    (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (80)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x8
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP64    (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (64)
#elif BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE == 0x9
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP48    (1)
    #define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS      (48)
#else
    #error "ERROR - Unknown package chosen in r_bsp_config.h"
#endif

```

There are many ways the user can bring this functionality to the u_bsp. Here are 2 examples:

1. Copy the *r_bsp_config.h* and *mcu_info.h* files from the r_bsp to the u_bsp. Some options in *r_bsp_config.h* will be ignored due to the features being removed in the u_bsp, and others will remain valid. The user will still need to fill out the information about their MCU in *r_bsp_config.h*. After that, the *mcu_info.h* file will work just as it did in the r_bsp.
2. Copy the *mcu_info.h* file from the r_bsp to the u_bsp. Go through the *mcu_info.h* file and examine all of the preprocessor conditional code (i.e. `#if`, `#elif`, `#endif`). For each group of conditional statements, find the macros that apply to your MCU, and delete the rest (i.e. same macro name but different definition). Please note that all macros that are defined in *mcu_info.h* must still be available to the Flash API. Using the example excerpt from

before, if we used this method then the code in *mcu_info.h* would now look like this:

```
/* Package. */
#define BSP_PACKAGE_LQFP144      (1)
#define BSP_PACKAGE_PINS        (144)
```

Now go through the macros that are left and replace any macros within macros with hard coded values. For example, this:

```
/* FlashIF clock speed in Hz. */
#define BSP_FCLK_HZ              (BSP_SELECTED_CLOCK_HZ / BSP_CFG_FCK_DIV)
```

would be replaced with this:

```
/* FlashIF clock speed in Hz. */
#define BSP_FCLK_HZ              (48000000)
```

2.2 Atomic Locking

The Flash API uses the atomic locking functions of the *r_bsp* to protect against reentrancy. Using this feature ensures that two flash operations can never be active at the same time. There are two C source files and 2 accompanying header files that are associated with the atomic locking feature: *locking.c*, *locking.h*, *mcu_locks.c*, and *mcu_locks.h*. The *locking.c* and *locking.h* files implement the atomic locking functionality. The *mcu_locks.c* and *mcu_locks.h* files allocate locks for all the peripherals on the MCU. The globally defined locks in *mcu_locks.h* are provided by the *r_bsp* so that multiple FIT Modules can use the same peripheral safely. One of the globally defined locks is for the MCU's flash (i.e. *BSP_LOCK_FLASH*) and is used by the Flash API.

The recommended way for the user to implement atomic locking in their *u_bsp* is to copy over the four files listed earlier. The locking code is very small and should not impact the user's project. If the Flash API and *r_bsp* are the only FIT Modules the user has in their project then they can cut down the RAM requirements for the locking code by removing all unneeded global locks. The user would do this by modifying the *mcu_lock_t* enumerator in *mcu_locks.h* to only include the flash lock and the sizing entry. After making this modification the Flash API code will work as usual.

2.3 platform.h

Any file that uses the *r_bsp* must include the *platform.h* header file. The Flash API includes *platform.h* to get access to MCU information macros, the atomic locking API, MCU registers, and C99 standard types. The user will need to create their own *platform.h* in their *u_bsp* that will satisfy the requirements of the Flash API. If the user's toolchain does not support C99 then instead of including the *stdint.h* and *stdbool.h* header files the user could instead use *r_typedefs.h* which can be found in the *r_bsp >> mcu >> all* directory. Some C89 compilers still offer *stdint.h* and *stdbool.h* in which case *r_typedefs.h* will not need to be used.

3. Demo

This section will detail the steps taken to make a u_bsp for a RX63N based board following the subsections from Section 2. The specifics of the RX63N we are using are:

- 80-pin LQFP Package
- CAN included
- 512KB ROM, 64KB RAM, 32KB Data Flash
- 12MHz external crystal, PLL at 192MHz, FCLK at 48MHz, PLL is the selected clock

For this demo the following code is used:

- Renesas Board Support Package (r_bsp) FIT Module v2.30 (R01AN1685EU)
- Simple Flash API for RX600 & RX200 v2.40 (R01AN0544EU)

The Renesas RX v2.01 toolchain was used when creating the demo. Before starting these steps the user should download the latest r_bsp and create a folder named u_bsp.

3.1 MCU Information Steps

1. In the r_bsp, open up the board folder of a board that uses your MCU. For the RX63N we could use the RDKRX63N or RSKRX63N board folders. In this example we will use the RDKRX63N board for our reference. Copy the file *r_bsp >> board >> rdkrx63n >> r_bsp_config_reference.h* to the root of your u_bsp folder and rename it to *r_bsp_config.h*.
2. In the r_bsp, open up the MCU folder for your MCU. In this example we will use the *r_bsp >> mcu >> rx63n* folder. Copy the file *r_bsp >> mcu >> rx63n >> mcu_info.h* to the root of your u_bsp folder.
3. Open up your newly copied *r_bsp_config.h* file and review all of the macros that start with 'BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_'. The comments above each macro explain how to set the macro. If the default macro setting is not correct for MCU, change it to the appropriate value. Using the RX63N MCU described earlier our settings would be the following:

```

/* Package type. Set the macro definition based on values below:
Character(s) = Value for macro = Package Type/Number of Pins/Pin Pitch
FC           = 0x0             = LQFP/176/0.50
BG           = 0x1             = LFBGA/176/0.80
LC           = 0x2             = TFLGA/177/0.50
FB           = 0x3             = LQFP/144/0.50
LK           = 0x4             = TFLGA/145/0.50
FP           = 0x5             = LQFP/100/0.50
LA           = 0x6             = TFLGA/100/0.50
FN           = 0x7             = LQFP/80/0.50
FM           = 0x8             = LQFP/64/0.50
FL           = 0x9             = LQFP/48/0.50
*/
#define BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_PACKAGE      (0x7)

/* Whether CAN is included or not.
Character(s) = Value for macro = Description
C           = false           = CAN not included
D           = true            = CAN included
E           =                  = 3V included (RX63T). Ignore.
*/
#define BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_CAN_INCLUDED (true)

/* ROM, RAM, and Data Flash Capacity.
Character(s) = Value for macro = ROM Size/Ram Size/Data Flash Size
E           = 0xE             = 2MB/128KB/32KB
D           = 0xD             = 1.5MB/128KB/32KB
B           = 0xB             = 1MB/128KB/32KB
A           = 0xA             = 768KB/128KB/32KB
8           = 0x8             = 512KB/64KB/32KB

```

```

7           = 0x7           = 384KB/64KB/32KB
6           = 0x6           = 64KB/8KB/8KB
5           = 0x5           = 48KB/8KB/8KB
4           = 0x4           = 32KB/8KB/8KB
0           = 0x0           = 0/128KB/0
*/
#define BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_MEMORY_SIZE      (0x8)

/* Group name.
Character(s) = Value for macro = Description
30           = 0x0           = RX630 Group
31           = 0x1           = RX631 Group
3N           = 0x2           = RX63N Group
3T           = 0x3           = RX63T Group
*/
#define BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_GROUP            (0x2)

/* Series name.
Character(s) = Value for macro = Description
56           = 0x0           = RX600 Series
*/
#define BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_SERIES           (0x0)

/* Memory type.
Character(s) = Value for macro = Description
F           = 0x0           = Flash memory version
S           = 0x1           = ROMless version
*/
#define BSP_CFG_MCU_PART_MEMORY_TYPE      (0x0)

```

4. Also in *r_bsp_config.h*, find the macro `BSP_CFG_CLOCK_SOURCE`. This is the first macro in a series that defines the clock setup for your MCU. Set these macros to reflect the clock setup for your system. The Flash API needs the frequency of the clock supplied to the flash for configuration purposes. On RX610 and RX62x MCUs this is the PCLK. On RX63x and RX200 MCUs this is the FCLK. Here are the macros filled out for our demo setup. These macro settings will end up setting `BSP_FCLK_HZ` in *mcu_info.h* to 48MHz. Please note that once these macros are set the user can also use the other clock macros defined in *mcu_info.h* in their own code if needed.

```

/* Clock source select (CKSEL).
0 = Low Speed On-Chip Oscillator (LOCO)
1 = High Speed On-Chip Oscillator (HOCO)
2 = Main Clock Oscillator
3 = Sub-Clock Oscillator
4 = PLL Circuit
*/
#define BSP_CFG_CLOCK_SOURCE              (4)

/* Clock configuration options. */

/* XTAL - Input clock frequency in Hz */
#define BSP_CFG_XTAL_HZ                   (12000000)

/* PLL Input Frequency Divider Select (PLIDIV).
Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4
*/
#define BSP_CFG_PLL_DIV                   (1)

/* PLL Frequency Multiplication Factor Select (STC).
Available multipliers = x8, x10, x12, x16, x20, x24, x25, x50
*/
#define BSP_CFG_PLL_MUL                   (16)

```

```

/* System Clock Divider (ICK).
   Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4, /8, /16, /32, /64
*/
#define BSP_CFG_ICK_DIV                (2)

/* Peripheral Module Clock A Divider (PCKA).
   Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4, /8, /16, /32, /64
*/
#define BSP_CFG_PCKA_DIV                (4)

/* Peripheral Module Clock B Divider (PCKB).
   Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4, /8, /16, /32, /64
*/
#define BSP_CFG_PCKB_DIV                (4)

/* External Bus Clock Divider (BCK).
   Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4, /8, /16, /32, /64
*/
#define BSP_CFG_BCK_DIV                 (8)

/* Flash IF Clock Divider (FCK).
   Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4, /8, /16, /32, /64
*/
#define BSP_CFG_FCK_DIV                 (4)

/* IEBUS Clock Divider Select.
   Available divisors = /1 (no division), /2, /4, /6, /8, /16, /32, /64
*/
#define BSP_CFG_IEBCK_DIV               (8)

/* USB Clock Divider Select.
   Available divisors = /3, /4
*/
#define BSP_CFG_UCK_DIV                 (4)

/* Configure BCLK output pin (only effective when external bus enabled)
   Values 0=no output, 1 = BCK frequency, 2= BCK/2 frequency */
#define BSP_CFG_BCLK_OUTPUT             (0)

/* Configure SDCLK output pin (only effective when external bus enabled)
   Values 0=no output, 1 = BCK frequency */
#define BSP_CFG_SDCLK_OUTPUT           (0)

```

3.2 Atomic Locking Steps

1. In the r_bsp, open up the MCU folder for your MCU. In this example we will use the *r_bsp >> mcu >> rx63n* folder. Copy the following files from the *r_bsp >> mcu >> rx63n* directory to the root of your u_bsp folder:
 - 1.1. *locking.c*
 - 1.2. *locking.h*
 - 1.3. *mcu_locks.c*
 - 1.4. *mcu_locks.h*
2. In this demo the Flash API is the only FIT Module that is being used. To reduce RAM usage we will delete all locks except the one for the flash. Open up the *mcu_locks.h* file that you just copied to your u_bsp folder.

3. Modify the `mcu_lock_t` enumerator so that only the `BSP_LOCK_FLASH` and `BSP_NUM_LOCKS` members remain.

```
typedef enum
{
    BSP_LOCK_FLASH = 0,
    BSP_NUM_LOCKS      //This entry is not a valid lock. It is used for
                      //sizing g_bsp_Locks[] array below. Do not touch!
} mcu_lock_t;
```

3.3 platform.h Steps

1. We are going to replace all of the contents of the `platform.h` file so there is no real benefit of using the existing file. Create a file named `platform.h` in your `u_bsp` directory.
2. Add `#includes` for the `stdint.h` and `stdbool.h` header files.
3. Add a `#include` for `machine.h`. This header file is provided by the Renesas RXC toolchain and provides intrinsic functions. One of these functions is `xchg()` which is used to implement atomic locking.
4. Add a `#include` for your register access file. By default this is usually named `iodef.h` for RX MCUs.
5. Add `#includes` for all of the header files in your `u_bsp` directory except `platform.h`. Make sure to put the `#include` for `r_bsp_config.h` before the others.
6. Open up the file `r_bsp >> mcu >> all >> r_bsp_common.h`. Find the `R_BSP_VERSION_MAJOR` and `R_BSP_VERSION_MINOR` macros. Copy these macros to your `platform.h` file. An example of what your file should look like is shown below. Preprocessor conditionals protecting against multiple inclusion were added at the top and bottom.

```
#ifndef PLATFORM_CUSTOM_H
#define PLATFORM_CUSTOM_H

/*****
Includes <System Includes> , "Project Includes"
*****/
#include <stdint.h>
#include <stdbool.h>
/* Access to intrinsic functions. */
#include <machine.h>
/* Register access. */
#include "iodef.h"
/* Not all configuration items in r_bsp_config.h are being used. */
#include "r_bsp_config.h"
#include "mcu_info.h"
/* Locking used by some FIT Modules. */
#include "locking.h"
#include "mcu_locks.h"

/*****
Macro definitions
*****/
/* This takes care of FIT Modules that check for the version of the r_bsp */
#define R_BSP_VERSION_MAJOR (2)
#define R_BSP_VERSION_MINOR (30)

#endif /* PLATFORM_CUSTOM_H */
```

3.4 Project Configuration

1. Setup your project so that the u_bsp source files will be compiled.
2. Add an include path to your u_bsp folder.
3. Make sure that an include path is setup so that *iodefine.h* can be found by the Flash API.
4. Setup the Flash API as you normally would following the directions in its documentation.
5. You can now use the Flash API as you normally would.

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Handle unused pins in accordance with the directions given under Handling of Unused Pins in the manual.

- The input pins of CMOS products are generally in the high-impedance state. In operation with an unused pin in the open-circuit state, extra electromagnetic noise is induced in the vicinity of LSI, an associated shoot-through current flows internally, and malfunctions occur due to the false recognition of the pin state as an input signal become possible. Unused pins should be handled as described under Handling of Unused Pins in the manual.

2. Processing at Power-on

The state of the product is undefined at the moment when power is supplied.

- The states of internal circuits in the LSI are indeterminate and the states of register settings and pins are undefined at the moment when power is supplied.

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4. Clock Signals

After applying a reset, only release the reset line after the operating clock signal has become stable. When switching the clock signal during program execution, wait until the target clock signal has stabilized.

- When the clock signal is generated with an external resonator (or from an external oscillator) during a reset, ensure that the reset line is only released after full stabilization of the clock signal. Moreover, when switching to a clock signal produced with an external resonator (or by an external oscillator) while program execution is in progress, wait until the target clock signal is stable.

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Before changing from one product to another, i.e. to a product with a different part number, confirm that the change will not lead to problems.

- The characteristics of an MPU or MCU in the same group but having a different part number may differ in terms of the internal memory capacity, layout pattern, and other factors, which can affect the ranges of electrical characteristics, such as characteristic values, operating margins, immunity to noise, and amount of radiated noise. When changing to a product with a different part number, implement a system-evaluation test for the given product.

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