

Lifetime Guideline

RZ/G2L PBGA 15.0/21.0sq

RZ/G2LC PBGA 13.0sq

RZ/G2UL PBGA 13.0sq

RZ/V2L PBGA 15.0/21.0sq

RZ/Five PBGA 13.0/11.0sq

RZ/A3UL PBGA 13.0sq

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General Precautions in the Handling of Microprocessing Unit and Microcontroller Unit Products

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1. Precaution against Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)

A strong electrical field, when exposed to a CMOS device, can cause destruction of the gate oxide and ultimately degrade the device operation. Steps must be taken to stop the generation of static electricity as much as possible, and quickly dissipate it when it occurs. Environmental control must be adequate. When it is dry, a humidifier should be used. This is recommended to avoid using insulators that can easily build up static electricity. Semiconductor devices must be stored and transported in an anti-static container, static shielding bag or conductive material. All test and measurement tools including work benches and floors must be grounded. The operator must also be grounded using a wrist strap. Semiconductor devices must not be touched with bare hands. Similar precautions must be taken for printed circuit boards with mounted semiconductor devices.

2. Processing at power-on

The state of the product is undefined at the time 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 time when power is supplied. In a finished product where the reset signal is applied to the external reset pin, the states of pins are not guaranteed from the time when power is supplied until the reset process is completed. In a similar way, the states of pins in a product that is reset by an on-chip power-on reset function are not guaranteed from the time when power is supplied until the power reaches the level at which resetting is specified.

3. Input of signal during power-off state

Do not input signals or an I/O pull-up power supply while the device is powered off. The current injection that results from input of such a signal or I/O pull-up power supply may cause malfunction and the abnormal current that passes in the device at this time may cause degradation of internal elements. Follow the guideline for input signal during power-off state as described in your product documentation.

4. Handling of unused pins

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 the 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.

5. Clock signals

After applying a reset, only release the reset line after the operating clock signal becomes stable. When switching the clock signal during program execution, wait until the target clock signal is 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. Additionally, 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.

6. Voltage application waveform at input pin

Waveform distortion due to input noise or a reflected wave may cause malfunction. If the input of the CMOS device stays in the area between V_{IL} (Max.) and V_{IH} (Min.) due to noise, for example, the device may malfunction. Take care to prevent chattering noise from entering the device when the input level is fixed, and also in the transition period when the input level passes through the area between V_{IL} (Max.) and V_{IH} (Min.).

7. Prohibition of access to reserved addresses

Access to reserved addresses is prohibited. The reserved addresses are provided for possible future expansion of functions. Do not access these addresses as the correct operation of the LSI is not guaranteed.

8. Differences between products

Before changing from one product to another, for example to a product with a different part number, confirm that the change will not lead to problems. The characteristics of a microprocessing unit or microcontroller unit products in the same group but having a different part number might differ in terms of 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.



The purpose of this guide

This guide helps PCB design engineers to estimate product lifetimes for the RZ/G2L, RZ/G2LC, RZ/V2L, RZ/G2UL, RZ/Five and RZ/A3UL based on the criteria used in the qualification process. The product lifetimes described here are estimates and do not represent a guaranteed lifetime for a product. The RZ/G2L, RZ/G2LC, RZ/V2L, RZ/G2UL, RZ/Five and RZ/A3UL consist of several processors that deliver a wide range of processing and multimedia capabilities across various qualification levels. This document is intended to provide users with guidance on how to interpret the different RZ/G2L, RZ/G2LC, RZ/V2L, RZ/G2UL, RZ/Five and RZ/A3UL qualification levels in terms of the target operating frequency of the device, the maximum supported junction temperature(T_j) of the processor, and how it relates to the lifetime of the device.

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SOC means RZ/G2L, RZ/G2LC, RZ/V2L, RZ/G2UL, RZ/Five and RZ/A3UL (PBGA) in this document.



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1. Device Qualification Level and available Power-on Hours

Device qualification level defines a number of Power-on Hours (PoH) available to the processor under a given set of the conditions. For example,

- The lifetime is limited by the SOC operating voltage.
- For the Industrial tier, the maximum performance mode is 1.2 GHz.
 - The T_j of the processor.

Users must ensure that their device is appropriately thermally managed such that the maximum junction temperature is not exceeded. All data provided within this document are estimates for PoH that are based on extensive qualification experience and testing with the RZ/G2L, RZ/G2LC, RZ/V2L, RZ/G2UL, RZ/Five and RZ/A3UL. These statistically derived estimates should not be viewed as a limit on an individual device lifetime, nor should they be construed as a guarantee by Renesas as to the actual lifetime of the device. Sales and warranty terms and conditions still apply.

Table 1.1 Device lifetime estimates provides the number of PoH for the typical use conditions for the industrial device.

Figure 1.1 establishes guidelines for estimating PoH as a function of junction temperature. PoH can be read directly from the curves below to determine the necessary trade-offs to junction temperature at the maximum CPU frequency.

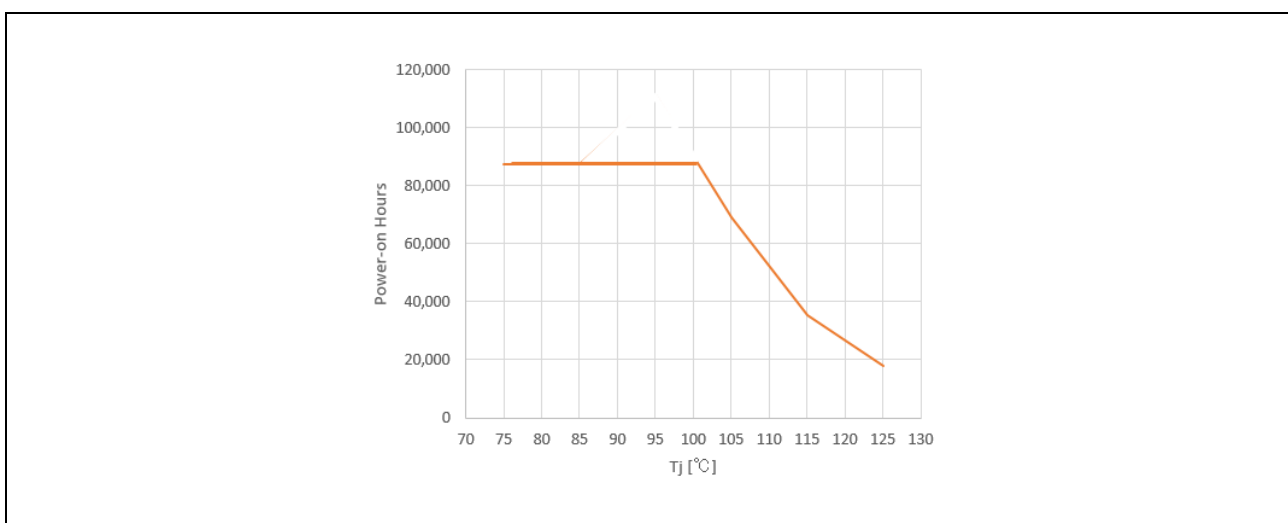


Figure 1.1 Device lifetime estimates

Table 1.1 Device lifetime estimates

Arm core speed [MHz]	PoH [Hrs]	SOC operating voltage [V]	T_j [°C]
1200	18042	1.1	125
1200	68937	1.1	105

2. Conclusion

Selecting the optimal operating performance point and thermal envelope is paramount to meeting the application lifetime targets. The operating T_j of the processor can greatly improve the lifetime of the device. Lowering the operating junction temperature in the application is the most effective means to increase the lifetime of the device without affecting the performance of the device. This can be accomplished by increasing the thermal dissipation capacity in the application. In cases where the thermal properties cannot be altered, a lower operating voltage can be used to increase the lifetime of the device. Lowering the voltage may result in lowered performance; the operating frequency may have to be adjusted lower to match the voltage as specified in the datasheet. The data and examples provided in this application note help users determine the estimated lifetime for their particular application.



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