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The intention of this errata technical note is to give a detailed description of known functional or electrical issues with the FTDI FT201X devices.

The current revision of the FT201X is **revision C, released June 2012.**

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1 FT201X Revision

FT201X part numbers are listed in **Table 1**. The letter at the end of date code identifies the device revision.

The current revision of the FT201X is **revision C, released June 2012**. At the time of releasing this Technical Note there is one known issues with this silicon revision.

Part Number	Package
FT201XQ	16 pin QFN
FT201XS	16 pin SSOP

Table 1 FT201X Part Numbers

This errata technical note covers the revisions of FT201X listed in **Table 2**.

Revision	Notes
A	First device revision. Never sold publicly.
B	Second device revision. Launched 28 February 2012
C	Third device version. Released 11 th June 2012

Table 2 FT201X Revisions

2 Errata History Table – Functional Problems

Functional Problem	Short description	Errata occurs in device revision
USB Data Transfer	Transfer of data over USB stops unexpectedly	A, B and C

Table 3 Functional Errata

2.1 Errata History Table – Electrical and Timing Specification Deviations.

Deviations	Short description	Errata occurs in device revision
Fault with internal 3V3 regulator.	Device VCC is designed to operate between 3V3 and 5V however with this errata the supply should not be set below 4.3V for correct operation.	B

Table 4 Electrical and Timing Errata

3 Functional Problems of FT201X

3.1 Revision A

3.1.1 USB Data Transfer

Introduction:

An issue has been identified where the transfer of data over USB stops unexpectedly.

Problem:

The device is put into suspend mode during a transfer of certain data patterns most notable with binary zeros. This can halt the data transfer in certain circumstances and will require the device to be re-enumerated to recover.

Workaround:

This issue can be avoided by utilising the keep awake function of the chip. This will disable the USB suspend function of the chip and is therefore an intermediate workaround until revision D silicon is released with a permanent fix.

NB. With the workaround the chip will never enter lower powered suspend. However the keep awake current will be approximately 3mA.

To enable the keep awake function in the EEPROM, one of the CBUS pins needs to be configured as Keep-Awake#. This pin then needs to be tied to ground on the PCB. The [FT_Prog](#) utility can be used to configure the CBUS pin.

Package specific:

The effected packages are listed in Table 5.

Package	Applicable (Yes/No)
FT201XQ	Y
FT201XS	Y

Table 5

3.2 Revision B

3.2.1 USB Data Transfer

Introduction:

An issue has been identified where the transfer of data over USB stops unexpectedly.

Problem:

The device is put into suspend mode during a transfer of certain data patterns most notable with binary zeros. This can halt the data transfer in certain circumstances and will require the device to be re-enumerated to recover.

Workaround:

This issue can be avoided by utilising the keep awake function of the chip. This will disable the USB suspend function of the chip and is therefore an intermediate workaround until revision D silicon is released with a permanent fix.

NB. With the workaround the chip will never enter lower powered suspend. However the keep awake current will be approximately 3mA.

To enable the keep awake function in the EEPROM, one of the CBUS pins needs to be configured as Keep-Awake#. This pin then needs to be tied to ground on the PCB. The [FT_Prog](#) utility can be used to configure the CBUS pin.

Package specific:

The effected packages are listed in Table 6.

Package	Applicable (Yes/No)
FT201XQ	Y
FT201XS	Y

Table 6

3.3 Revision C

3.3.1 USB Data Transfer

Introduction:

An issue has been identified where the transfer of data over USB stops unexpectedly.

Problem:

The device is put into suspend mode during a transfer of certain data patterns most notable with binary zeros. This can halt the data transfer in certain circumstances and will require the device to be re-enumerated to recover.

Workaround:

This issue can be avoided by utilising the keep awake function of the chip. This will disable the USB suspend function of the chip and is therefore an intermediate workaround until revision D silicon is released with a permanent fix.

NB. With the workaround the chip will never enter lower powered suspend. However the keep awake current will be approximately 3mA.

To enable the keep awake function in the EEPROM, one of the CBUS pins needs to be configured as Keep-Awake#. This pin then needs to be tied to ground on the PCB. The [FT_Prog](#) utility can be used to configure the CBUS pin.

Package specific:

The effected packages are listed in Table 7.

Package	Applicable (Yes/No)
FT201XQ	Y
FT201XS	Y

Table 7

4 Electrical and Timing specification deviations of FT201X

4.1 Revision A

No known issues at revision A

4.2 Revision B

4.2.1 Internal 3V3 Regulator

Introduction:

The FT201X uses an internal regulator to generate 3V3 from a 5V source (VCC). The source should be variable from 3V3 to 5V.

Problem:

The VCC supply to the regulator must not drop below 4.3V for the correct 3V3 regulated output to be produced.

Workaround:

VCC must not be supplied below 4.3V. This issue will be corrected at silicon revision C.

Package specific:

The effected packages are listed in Table 8.

Package	Applicable (Yes/No)
FT201XQ	Y
FT201XS	Y

Table 8

4.3 Revision C

No known issues at revision C

5 FT201X Package Markings

FT201X is available in a RoHS Compliant package, 16 pin QFN and 16 pin SSOP. An example of the markings on the package is shown in Figure 5.1.

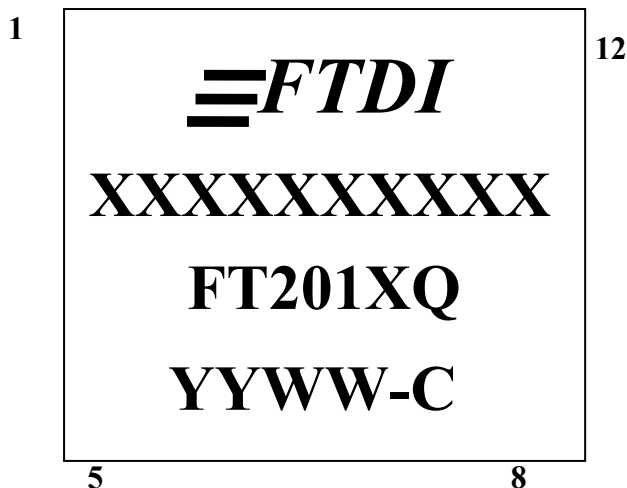


Figure 5-1 Package Markings – FT201XQ

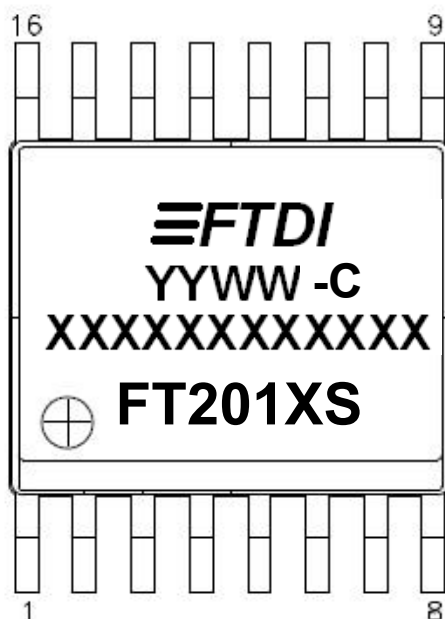


Figure 5-2 Package Markings – FT201XS

The date code format is **YYWW** where WW = 2 digit week number, YY = 2 digit year number. This is followed by the revision number.

The code **XXXXXXXXXX** is the manufacturing LOT code

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