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# Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 

## Specification Update

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1. There were no versions of this document released between Revision 0.1 and Revision 1.0.

## 1. Introduction

This document applies to the Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 (X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2).
This document is an update to a published specification, the Inte $I^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet. It is intended for use by system manufacturers and software developers. All product documents are subject to frequent revision and new order numbers might apply. New documents might be added. Be sure you have the latest information before finalizing your design.

References to PCIe Express (PCIe) in this document refer to PCIe v4.0 ( $2.5 \mathrm{GT} / \mathrm{s}, 5 \mathrm{GT} / \mathrm{s}, 8 \mathrm{GT} / \mathrm{s}$, and 16GT/s).
For more information on supported features, see the Inte $I^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller $X 710-T M 4 / A T 2$ Feature Support Matrix. This document is updated periodically. Please ensure that you have the latest version.

### 1.1 Product Code and Device Identification

Product Codes: X710-TM4, X710-AT2, and V710-AT2.
The following tables and drawings describe the various identifying markings on each device package:
Table 1-1. Markings

| Device | Stepping | Top Marking | S-Specification ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| X710-TM4 | B1 | EZX710TM4 | S LMM6 ${ }^{2}$ | Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710 for 10GBASE-T, |
|  |  |  | $10 \mathrm{GbE} \mathrm{SFP}+$ and 10 GbE backplane |  |

1. For Tray and Tape \& Reel data, see Table 1-3.
2. Tray
3. Tape \& Reel

Table 1-2. Device IDs

| Branding String | Interface Type | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Device } \\ & \text { ID } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Vendor } \\ & \text { ID } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Revision } \\ & \text { ID } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710 for $10 \mathrm{GbE} \mathrm{SFP}+$ | SFI | 0x104E | 0x8086 | 0x01 |
| Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X 710 for 10 GbE backplane | KR/SFI | 0x104F | 0x8086 | $0 \times 01$ |
| Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710 for 10GBASE-T | 10GBASE-T | 0x15FF | 0x8086 | $0 \times 01$ |
| Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller V710 for 5GBASE-T | 5GBASE-T | 0x101F | 0x8086 | 0x00 |

Table 1-3. MM Numbers

| Product | S-Specification | Tray MM\# | Tape \& Reel MM\# |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| X710-TM4 | S LMM6 | 976476 |  |
|  | S LMM7 |  |  |
| X710-AT2 | S LMR5 | 980538 | 986477 |
|  | S LMR6 |  |  |
| V710-AT2 | S LNGF |  |  |

### 1.2 Marking Diagrams



Figure 1-1. Example Component with Identifying Marks


Figure 1-2. Marking Diagram

- LINE1: Swirl Logo.
- LINE2: Product Number. For example, EZX710TM4.
- LINE3: Lot Trace Code. For example, T641AS01.
- LINE4: Pb Free Symbol.


### 1.3 Nomenclature Used in This Document

This document uses specific terms, codes, and abbreviations to describe changes, errata, and/or clarifications that apply to silicon/steppings. See Table 1-4 for a description.

Table 1-4. Nomenclature

| Name |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| A0, B0, etc. | Stepping to which the status applies. |
| Doc | Document change or update that will be implemented. |
| Documentation Changes | Typos, errors, or omissions from the current published specifications. These changes will be <br> incorporated in the next release of the specifications. |
| Errata | Design defects or errors. Errata might cause device behavior to deviate from published <br> specifications. Hardware and software designed to be used with any given stepping must assume <br> that all errata documented for that stepping are present on all devices. |
| Eval | Plans to fix this erratum are under evaluation. |
| Fix Planned | This erratum is intended to be fixed in a future stepping of the component. |
| Fix Planned in NVM | This erratum is intended to be fixed in a future NVM version. |
| Fixed | This erratum has been fixed. |
| Fixed in NVM | This erratum has been fixed in NVM X.XX. |
| NoFix | There are no plans to fix this erratum. |
| Software Clarifications | Applies to Intel drivers, EEPROM loads. |
| Specification Changes | Modifications to the current published specifications. These changes will be incorporated in the next <br> release of the specifications. |
| Specification Clarifications | Greater detail or further highlights concerning a specification's impact to a complex design <br> situation. These clarifications will be incorporated in the next release of the specifications. |

See Section 1.3 for an explanation of terms, codes, and abbreviations.
Table 2-1. Summary of Specification Clarifications

| Specification Clarification | Status |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. SFP+ Cable EEPROM Overwrite on Power Down | N/A |
| 2. PCIe Re-timers Might Cause Replay Timer Timeout Correctable Errors | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 3. $I^{2}$ C Minimum Time Between Transactions | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 4. Qualified Module Bit | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 5. L2 Padding and L4 Checksum Offloads | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 6. Malicious Driver Detection MAX_BUFF Event | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 7. Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Throughput Limit | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 8. Small Packets Performance Degrade when Using Private VLAN | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 9. The X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 Packet Drop Rate is Limited to 27 MPPS | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| 10. Expansion ROM is Exposed in Blank Flash Programming Mode | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ |

Table 2-2. Summary of Specification Changes

| Specification Change | Status |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Ingress Mirroring Cannot be Changed on the Fly | N/A |  |
| 2. RSS Field Selection is Globally Defined | N/A |  |
| 3. NC-SI Get Controller Packet Statistics Command Limitations | N/A |  |
| 4. SMBus Minimum Packet Size | N/A |  |
| 5. Support of the Admin Queue Command "Set Loopback modes command (opcode:0x0618)" | N/A |  |
| 6. Logging of PCIe Correctable Receiver Error | N/A |  |
| 7. PRTPM_SAL and PRTPM_SAH are Re-loaded from NVM on PCIe Reset | N/A |  |
| 8. VEB Statistics Disable NVM Bit | N/A |  |
| 9. Unicast Hash Filtering Removal | N/A |  |
| 10. Input Reference Clock Rise/Fall Times | N/A | N/A |
| 11. Set Local LLDP MIB when DCBX Agent is Disabled or Stopped | N/A |  |
| 12. Teredo UDP Tunneling Offload Support | N/A |  |
| 13. GLQF_PCNT Counters | N/A |  |
| 14. Flash CS Negation Time | N/A |  |
| 15. Parsing of MPLS Headers |  |  |

Table 2-3. Summary of Documentation Changes

| Documentation Update | Status |
| :--- | :---: |
| 1. Recommended Third-Party Magnetics Manufacturers | N/A |

Table 2-4. Summary of Errata; Errata Include Steppings

| A Erratum kite | Status |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1. TX Performance Degradation for Small Cloud Packets | B1=Yes; NoFix ${ }^{\text {P }}$ |
| 2. PCIe Subsystem ID Incorrectly Reported for All PCI Functions Except Function 0 | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 3. Illegal Byte Error Statistical Counter Inaccuracy | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 4. Receive Performance Degradation with Specific Cloud Header | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 5. MCTP Discovery Error when Replacing Active PF | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 6. RX Queue Disable is Reported Done Before It is Disabled | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 7. TX Descriptor Might be Read Twice | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 8. Immediate Interrupts are Delayed in Very Loaded System | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 9. ECRC Bits are Not RO when ECRC is Disabled | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 10. NC-SI I/Os Output Rise Slew Rate is Higher Than Specification | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 11. TC Strict Priority Does Not Work as Expected | B1 = Yes; NoFix |
| 12. Management-only Packets Cannot be Ignored for Wake-Up | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 13. Common Clock Configuration Bit Specification Compliance | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 14. Low Latency TC Might be Momentarily Starved | B1 = Yes; NoFix |
| 15. Round Robin (RR) Bandwidth Distribution is Traffic Dependent | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 16. L2 Tag Stored in the Wrong RX Descriptor Field | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 17. Internal VLAN is Not Reflected in RX Descriptor | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 18. Transmit Queue Group with Single Queue Enabled Performance | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 19. A Switching Table Might Reduce Small Packets Performance | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 20. Set Binding Command is Not Functional for IPv4 | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 21. Cloud Traffic Over VEB is Transmitted to LAN | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 22. VLAN Prune is Not Functional | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 23. INTENA_MSK Setting Might Clear Interrupt | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 24. Manageability Checksum Filtering of IPv6 Packets | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 25. Link Remains Up During Power Saving State | B1 = Yes; NoFix |
| 26. PRTDCB_RUP2TC and PRTDCB_TC2PFC are Not Writable | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 27. AER Header Log Might be Invalid | B1 = Yes; NoFix |
| 28. A CfgWr to a VF TLP with Error Might Generate an Error Message with Wrong VF Number | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 29. No LAN-to-BMC Pass-through Traffic in Dr State | B1=Yes; NoFix |

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Table 2-4. Summary of Errata; Errata Include Steppings [continued]

| Erratum | Status |
| :---: | :---: |
| 30. MNG Packets are Dropped while a Function-Level Reset to PF 0 is in Progress | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 31. DCBx Resume of a Port Affects Other Ports | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 32. A Global SDP Might be Affected by a Specific Port Power State | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 33. Legacy SMBus: Failure to De-assert Alert Signal when Not Using ARA Cycle | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 34. Get Link Status AQ Command Might Return Incorrect Status | B1=Yes; NoFix ${ }^{8}$ |
| 35. A Function-level Reset Might Affect Other Functions | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 36. Rx Packet Drops Even with Priority Flow Control | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 37. DCBx Configuration Might Change After LLDP Stops | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 38. PCIe Interrupt Status Bit ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 39. Glitch on SDP Outputs During GLOBR | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 40. Function-Level Reset Fails to Complete | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 41. Incorrect Flexible Payload Extraction from Flow Director Filter to Receive Descriptor | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 42. Aux Power Detected Bit Not Implemented | B1 = Yes; NoFix |
| 43. SGMII Receiver Sensitivity | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 44. IEEE 802.3 Clause 73 AN Does Not Support Parallel Detection | B1 =Yes; NoFix |
| 45. IEEE 802.3 Clause 73 AN Echoed Nonce Field is Zero | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 46. KR Transmitter Output Waveform Violations | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 47. 10GBASE-KR wait_timer Value Smaller Than Specification | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 48. Receive Queue Disable Can Get Stuck | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 49. Set DCB Parameters AQC (Opcode 0x303) Might Return EINVAL Even when It Succeeds | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 50. Receive IP Packets in a Low-Latency Traffic Class Are Not Fully Processed | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 51. Activity LED Might Blink Regardless if Link is Up or Down for a Port | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 52. EMP Reset After Using Intel QCU Tool | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 53. PCIe Replay Timer Can Occasionally be Lower Than PCIe Spec Requirements | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 54. No Length Error on VLAN Packets with BAD Type/Length Field | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 55. Thermal Alarm Points for Pluggable Modules Are Using Fixed Values Instead of Reading from Module EEPROM | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 56. Memory Leak in Receive Packet Buffer | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 57. Single-Byte $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ Writes Clear the Following Byte | B1=Yes; Fixed in NVM 8.40 |
| 58. Failure to Manipulate the Default MAN/VLAN Filter | B1=Yes; NoFix |
| 59. Remove MAC/VLAN Pair AQ Command Failure | B1=Yes; Fix Planned in NVM |

### 2.1 Specification Clarifications

## 1. SFP+ Cable EEPROM Overwrite on Power Down

After PCIe Reset, the normal X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 operation might include $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ transactions to the SFP+ cable EEPROM. Under certain timing conditions, these transactions might coincide with power ramping down. This could lead to an unintentional $I^{2} \mathrm{C}$ write command, causing the cable EEPROM contents to be overwritten on cables that do not have write protection, and making them inoperable.

NVM V7.1 provides updated timing of the $I^{2} C$ transactions to avoid unintentional modification of the cable EEPROM contents.

## 2. PCIe Re-timers Might Cause Replay Timer Timeout Correctable Errors

The addition of PCIe re-timers add to the total channel latency. According to PCI-SIG ECN extension devices, latency is defined as "the time from when the last bit of a Symbol is received at the input pins of one Pseudo Port to when the equivalent bit is transmitted on the output pins of the other Pseudo Port". The ECN allows for a maximum of 64 symbol x latency per PCIe re-timer for $8 \mathrm{GT} / \mathrm{s}$ speed.

The PCIe ACK/NACK round trip delay is incremented according to the number of re-timers used in Tx/Rx lanes. The extra delay added by a re-timer might cause the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 Replay_Timer to expire, causing replay timer timeout correctable errors. X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 design does not take into consideration the extension devices ECN.

If a design must include re-timers, and if Replay_Timer timeout correctable errors are seen, please contact your Intel representative for support.

## 3. $\quad \mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ Minimum Time Between Transactions

The SFF-8431 Specification requires that the minimum time between STOP and START on an $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ bus (Tbuf) should be at least $20 \mu \mathrm{~s}$. The time measured in the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 is less than required by the specification. No functional implication should be expected.

## 4. Qualified Module Bit

According to the Inte $/{ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet, the Qualified Module bit in Admin Queue Get link status response (Byte 3, bit 7) is cleared when the module is not found in preconfigured list of qualified modules. In addition, this bit can be cleared in case that there is a contradiction between the module and device configuration. For example, NVM of BASE-T with external optical module.

## 5. L2 Padding and L4 Checksum Offloads

When using UDP/TCP checksum offloading on Tx packets (L4T in the Tx descriptor is 01 b or 11 b ), any L2 padding at the end of the packet must be all zeros.

When using SCTP CRC offloading on Tx packets (L4T in the Tx descriptor is 10b), L2 padding should not be used.

## 6. Malicious Driver Detection MAX_BUFF Event

When the first Tx descriptor of a TSO packet contains both header and payload, it is counted twice in the malicious detection of MAX_BUFFS. Therefore, an MDD event is reported if the first segment is spread over eight descriptors, while it should only cause an MDD event if there are more than eight descriptors.
This can result in spurious Malicious Driver Detection events.
Software drivers must limit the first segment of a TSO packet to seven descriptors instead of eight. This restriction has been implemented in Intel drivers Release 21.3.

## 7. Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller $\mathrm{X} 710-\mathrm{TM} 4 / \mathrm{AT} 2$ Throughput Limit

## Small Packet throughput limit:

For packets below 160 bytes there is a hardware packet processing limit for the entire device of ~37 Mpps. This results in limited throughput for:

- The Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4 ( $4 \times 10 \mathrm{GbE}$ mode) when using 3 or 4 port 10 GbE operation.
Note: $\quad$ The Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4 has an expected total throughput for the entire device of $40 \mathrm{~Gb} / \mathrm{s}$ in each direction.


## 8. Small Packets Performance Degrade when Using Private VLAN

When using private VLAN, the device uses a VLAN pruning filter that slows down performance for small packets. For example, the total max MPPS (Million Packets Per Second) achievable drops from ~73 MPPS to ~39 MPPS.

Note: Depending on software driver capabilities, if only a single VLAN is applied, the driver might choose to use a port VLAN instead of a private VLAN and thus avoid the use of the VLAN pruning filter and associated performance penalty.

## 9. The X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 Packet Drop Rate is Limited to 27 MPPS

The packet drop rate was limited to 27 MPPS instead of 37 MPPS to improve device functionality robustness.

Maximum drop packet rate is now 27 MPPS. In case of enabling a queue without handling its descriptors, there might be a case of massive packets drop (i.e. broadcast) which will effect the overall traffic bandwidth. This case is forbidden to keep the device operation at full bandwidth.

## 10. Expansion ROM is Exposed in Blank Flash Programming Mode

In blank flash programming mode, the expansion ROM will be exposed, but might point to invalid pre boot driver code.

### 2.2 Specification Changes

1. Ingress Mirroring Cannot be Changed on the Fly

Changing of Ingress Mirroring configuration during traffic might cause a bad configuration.

## 2. RSS Field Selection is Globally Defined

RSS field selection is done globally and cannot be configured differently per PF or VF.

- Functions that require the Hash (RSS) filters on IPv4 packets should set all IPv4 PCTYPEs in the PFQF_HENA / VFQF_HENA (PCTYPEs 31, 33...36).
- Functions that require the Hash filters on IPv6 packets should set all IPv6 PCTYPEs in the PFQF_HENA / VFQF_HENA (PCTYPEs 41, 43...46).
- Functions that require the Hash filters on FCoE packets should set all FCoE PCTYPEs in the PFQF_HENA / VFQF_HENA (PCTYPEs 48...50).


## 3. NC-SI Get Controller Packet Statistics Command Limitations

Counter 0 of NC-SI "Get Controller Packet Statistics" command returns the value of "Valid Bytes Received" instead of "Total Bytes Received".

## 4. SMBus Minimum Packet Size

The minimum Ethernet packet size transmitted by BMC over SMBus supported by the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 is 17 bytes.

## 5. Support of the Admin Queue Command "Set Loopback modes command (opcode:0x0618)"

The Set Loopback mode command (opcode: $0 \times 0618$ ) is supported. For full details see the Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet, Revision 2.0 or later.

## 6. Logging of PCIe Correctable Receiver Error

The optional error logging of correctable receiver error is disabled in the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2, which is allowed as described in:

PCI Express ${ }^{\circledR}$ Base Specification, Revision 3.0, November 10, 2010, Section 7.10.5, Correctable Error Status Register Footnote 101

PHY layer receiver error detection and recovery mechanisms are operational such that there is no functional implication to the device or system operation. Please note that both Correctable Error Status Register[0] and Correctable Error Mask Register[0] are implemented such that the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 is a PCI-SIG compliant device.

## 7. PRTPM_SAL and PRTPM_SAH are Re-loaded from NVM on PCIe Reset

PRTPM_SAL and PRTPM_SAH registers are re-loaded from the NVM on PCIe reset. Therefore, only the station address values stored in the NVM can be used for Wake-On-LAN.

## 8. VEB Statistics Disable NVM Bit

In X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 NVM 7.1:
EMP Settings Module Header Section - Word Offset \#3-Bit 0 - VEB Statistics Disable.
Description:
When set to Ob - VEB statistics are enabled.
When set to 1b-VEB statistics are disabled (default).
The statistics counters disabled by this bit are:

```
GLPRT_RUPP[0]
GLSW_GOTCH/L
GLVEBVL_GOTC_[n]
GLVEB_TCBCH/L[n]
GLVEB_TCPCH/L[n]
GLSW_UPTCH/L[n]
GLSW_MPTCH/L[n]
GLSW_BPTCH/L[n]
GLSW_GORCH/L[n]
GLVEB_VLBCH/L[n]
GLVEB_RCBCH/L[n]
GLVEB_RCPCH[n]
GLSW_UPRCH/L[n]
GLSW_MPRCH/L[n]
GLSW_BPRCH/L[n]
GLSW_RUPP_[n]
GLVEB_VLUPCH/L[n]
GLVEB_VLMPCH/L[n]
GLVEB_VLBPCH/L[n]
```

This bit can be used to disable VEB statistics and improve 64-byte packet performance in SR-IOV or any other configuration that has more than one VSI connected to a port.
Note: The EVB Protocols Enable bit originally mapped to bit 0 of the same NVM word is now mapped to bit 1.

Starting from NVM 7.1, the NVM bit is no longer used. VEB statistics are enabled/disabled on a per-VEB basis using a new flag in the Add VEB command. See the Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet for details. Intel drivers that accompany this NVM release disable the VEB statistics on all VEBs by default.

Software drivers before Release 24.0 (i40e 1.4.25, ixl 1.4.26, VMware ESX i40e v1.4.26) should not be used with NVM 7.1 and above.

## 9. Unicast Hash Filtering Removal

Unicast Hash filtering is removed from the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 switching elements options and should not be used. Unicast MAC Addresses can be filtered by Perfect filtering (up to 2 K entries) or Promiscuous filtering.

## 10. Input Reference Clock Rise/Fall Times

The minimum input reference clock rise and fall times (Tr/Tf) listed in table Input Reference Clock Electrical Characteristics in the Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet changes from 300 ps to 50 ps. This is a relaxation of the electrical specification for external oscillators.

Note: $\quad$ The routing of the input clock between the external oscillator and the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 balls must be routed as a differential pair. Target $100 \Omega$ differential impedance.

## 11. Set Local LLDP MIB when DCBX Agent is Disabled or Stopped

According to the Inte $/{ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet, if the Set Local LLDP MIB command ( $0 \times 0 \mathrm{AOB}$ ) is received while the FW DCBX agent is disabled or stopped, the MIB is parsed by firmware and used to configure the local DCB settings of the port, with no DCB TLV exchange with the peer performed by firmware.
Starting from NVM 7.1, if the Set Local LLDP MIB command is received while the DCBx specific agent is stopped, the command returns an EPERM error. If the command is received while the LLDP agent is stopped, it sets the local MIB without exchanging LLDP with peer, and returns SUCCESS.

## 12. Teredo UDP Tunneling Offload Support

Starting with NVM 7.1, Intel removed support for UDP Teredo tunneling offload.
Note: This feature was not supported in Intel Drivers.

## 13. GLQF_PCNT Counters

GLQF_PCNT counters do not wrap around.
Software should periodically clear these counters by writing any value. Note that the counter might miss a few events during the clearing process.

Starting in i40e v 2.2.x the driver keeps a count in software. However, there is a possibility of missing a few counts. Other Intel drivers do not use the counter.

## 14. Flash CS Negation Time

The X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2's minimum value of the FLSH_CE_N High Time (tCS) specification was incorrectly reported in the Inte ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet as 25 ns. The actual minimum value of $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{CS}}$ is 80 ns , except for the case of consecutive Read Status Register commands when the minimum value is 70 ns.

This specification is consistent with the requirements of the supported flash devices listed in Section 14 of the Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet, except for the Micron/Numonyx M25PX64, which requires a minimum CS negation time ( $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{CSH}}$ ) of 80 ns . No failures have been reported due to this specification mismatch.

## 15. Parsing of MPLS Headers

Starting from NVM image 7.1, the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 identifies and skips up to 2 MPLS labels as described in Section MPLS Header(s) of the Intel ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet.

### 2.3 Documentation Changes

1. Recommended Third-Party Magnetics Manufacturers

2. 5G: Cost-effective SKU to support up to 5GBASE-T mode.

### 2.4 Errata

## 1. TX Performance Degradation for Small Cloud Packets

Problem:
Happening for GRE+IPv6+TCP without payload. Degradation is expected to give $33 \mathrm{~Gb} / \mathrm{s}$ instead of $34 \mathrm{~Gb} / \mathrm{s}$.

Implication:
This is seen if GRE+IPV6+TCP Packet is transmitted with no payload. This not typical packet format, and is not expected is most use cases.

Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 2. PCIe Subsystem ID Incorrectly Reported for All PCI Functions Except Function 0

## Problem:

All PCIe functions except Function 0 report a Subsystem ID of $0 x 0000$ in the configuration space (including related Virtual Functions) regardless of the value programmed in the NVM.

Implication:
No functional impact to the device or drivers. However, this might impact the branding of the device if the Subsystem ID is used to select the device branding string.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 3. Illegal Byte Error Statistical Counter Inaccuracy

## Problem:

Short packets with bad symbols that arrive back-to-back might not be counted by GLPRT_ILLERRC.
Implication:
GLPRT_ILLERRC is inaccurate.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 4. Receive Performance Degradation with Specific Cloud Header

## Problem:

A small performance degradation is expected when receiving back-to-back GRE+IPv6+TCP cloud frames with 128-byte Header and almost no payload.

Implication:
Expected $33 \mathrm{~Gb} / \mathrm{s}$ instead of $34 \mathrm{~Gb} / \mathrm{s}$.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 5. MCTP Discovery Error when Replacing Active PF

## Problem:

MCTP Discovery might respond with a wrong PF ID when BMC is replacing the active PF. Expected to be a rare scenario on specific machines.

Implication:
PF replacement might not work for MCTP.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 6. RX Queue Disable is Reported Done Before It is Disabled

Problem:
RX Queue disable is reported done before it is disabled.
Implication:
An RX Hang could result if the software re-enables the queue too early.

## Workaround:

An RX Queue should be reused only after a minimum delay of 50 ms . This workaround is implemented in Intel Software Release 24.0.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

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## 7. TX Descriptor Might be Read Twice

Problem:
A TX Descriptor might be read more than once in corner case conditions.
Implication:
Negligible.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 8. Immediate Interrupts are Delayed in Very Loaded System

Problem:
In a case where there are ten or more active queues in the system, and some of the queues are assigned with immediate interrupts, the interrupt delay might exceed the value specified in the Datasheet ("ITR and immediate interrupts jitter" table).

Implication:
Low performance impact
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
9. ECRC Bits are Not RO when ECRC is Disabled

Problem:
ECRC bits in PCIe AER registers are writable even when ECRC is disabled.
Implication:
Specification compliance issue.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 10. NC-SI I/Os Output Rise Slew Rate is Higher Than Specification

Problem:
NC-SI I/Os output rise time might be as low as 400 ps , while the NC-SI Specification requires a minimum of 500 ps .

Implication:
Specification compliance issue.
Workaround:
Place a $30 \Omega$ resistor in serial to the pad.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 11. TC Strict Priority Does Not Work as Expected

Problem:
An UP might not get exclusive priority if PCIe bandwidth is insufficient (although gets higher priority).
Implication:
RX TC strict priority limitation.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 12. Management-only Packets Cannot be Ignored for Wake-Up

Problem:
Due to a "NoTCO" wake-up capability malfunction, a wake event might be issued for packets that are expected to be routed to the BMC exclusively.

Implication:
Management-only packets cannot be ignored for wake-up.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 13. Common Clock Configuration Bit Specification Compliance

## Problem:

Common clock configuration bit should be writable for all PFs, but it is not always writable for a PF $>0$.
Implication:
Specification compliance issue.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 14. Low Latency TC Might be Momentarily Starved

## Problem:

Low Latency TC might be momentarily starved under TPB Non-Strict Priority (RR) policy when both Bulk and Low Latency traffic are pending.

Implication:
Low Latency TC impact.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 15. Round Robin (RR) Bandwidth Distribution is Traffic Dependent

## Problem:

Under RR RX Policy, RX bandwidth might be distributed unevenly among ports and TCs if PCIe bandwidth is smaller than incoming traffic, or traffic is a stream of small packets (smaller than 128 bytes).

## Implication:

Uneven traffic distribution under RR.

## Workaround:

Use Strict Priority policy instead of Round Robin.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 16. L2 Tag Stored in the Wrong RX Descriptor Field

## Problem:

If two $L 2$ tags (for example: VLAN and S-TAG) are programmed to be extracted to the receive descriptor, and the receive packet includes only a single L2 tag, the extracted L2 tag is always posted in the L2TAG1 field if L2TSEL is set to 1 b , or to L2TAG2 if L2TSEL is set to 0 b .

## Implication:

In the following cases there are no implications:

1. If the receive data flow always includes two L 2 tags.
2. If the receive data might include packets with a single L2 tag, but are always the same tag type (first or second).

If the receive data flow that might include packets with only one $L 2$ tag (which can be either the first or the second tag), software cannot identify which of the two enabled L2 tags were extracted to the receive descriptor.

## Workaround:

If the receive data flow includes packets with only one L2 tag, and software is not able to identify if it is the first or the second tag, it should not enable more than a single L2 tag to be extracted to the receive descriptor.

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Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
```


## 17. Internal VLAN is Not Reflected in RX Descriptor

## Problem:

When SHOWIV field is set in the receive queue context, the internal VLAN is stripped, but it is not inserted in the RX descriptor as expected.

## Implication:

Internal VLAN is not reflected in RX descriptor.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 18. Transmit Queue Group with Single Queue Enabled Performance

## Problem:

A transmit queue Group with single Queue enabled might have performance limitations when scheduling consecutive packets.

## Implication:

TX Performance issue.

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Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 19. A Switching Table Might Reduce Small Packets Performance

## Problem:

If the switching table is relatively full, it might reduce performance with a continuous stream of packets smaller than 160 bytes. A data stream that includes a mix of small and big packets should not experience any degradation.

Implication:
Small packets performance impact.

## Workaround:

Avoid switching table fullness.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 20. Set Binding Command is Not Functional for IPv4

## Problem:

Set Binding command is not functional for IPv4.

## Implication:

No manageability traffic after command.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 21. Cloud Traffic Over VEB is Transmitted to LAN

Problem:
Cloud traffic over VEB is transmitted to LAN.
Implication:
Cloud traffic over VEB is transmitted to LAN.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 22. VLAN Prune is Not Functional

## Problem:

Default action for VLAN Prune table is not set after "Add VLAN AQ" command.

## Implication:

VLAN Prune is not functional.

## Workaround:

Additional VLAN Prune configuration should be done by software.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 23. INTENA_MSK Setting Might Clear Interrupt

## Problem:

A write access to a xxINT_DYN_CTLx CSR with INTENA_MSK bit (bit 31) set to 0 clears the corresponding interrupt bit in the PBA array.

## Implication:

There is a possibility of an Interrupt missing. However, current Intel software implementation has this bit set to 1 except when enabling or disabling interrupts.

## Workaround:

INTENA_MSK should be set in all CSR write accesses other than INTENA bit change.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 24. Manageability Checksum Filtering of IPv6 Packets

## Problem:

The IPv6 checksum calculation could be incorrect for received packets that contain either a Routing (Type 2) Extension Header or a Destination Options Extension Header that includes a Home Address option.

## Implication:

If the manageability filtering is configured to drop packets with checksum errors, IPv6 manageability packets with the extension headers described above could be incorrectly dropped.

## Workaround:

Do not enable checksum filtering for manageability if the IPv6 Extension Headers described above are used on manageability traffic.

For SMBus: The Enable Xsum Filtering to MNG bit should be Ob in the Update Management Receive Filter Parameters command and in the Set Common Filters Receive Control Bytes command if these commands are used.

For NCSI: Do not use the Enable Checksum Offloading Command (Intel OEM Command 0x23).
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 25. Link Remains Up During Power Saving State

## Problem:

Intel X710/XL710-based devices might maintain link, regardless of system power state, as long as power is provided to the device.

## Implication:

Link remains up during power saving state.

## Workaround

None
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 26. PRTDCB_RUP2TC and PRTDCB_TC2PFC are Not Writable

## Problem:

PRTDCB_RUP2TC (0x1C09A0) and PRTDCB_TC2PFC ( $0 \times 001 \mathrm{C0980}$ ) CSRs cannot be written directly by software when CSR protection is enabled.

## Implication:

Programming this CSR is required if the software is configuring DCB on the device.

## Workaround:

For PRTDCB_RUP2TC: Write to PRTDCB_RUP2TC as usual, then use a Direct Admin command with the following values to complete the write transaction.

For PRTDCB_TC2PFC: Write to PRTDCB_TC2PFC as usual, then use a Direct Admin command with the following values to complete the write transaction.

| Field | Byte | Value PRTDCB_RUPTC | Value PRTDCB_TC2PFC |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Flags | $0-1$ | $0 \times 0$ | $0 \times 0$ |
| Opcode | $2-$ | $0 \times F F 04$ | $0 \times F F 04$ |
| Data Length | $4-5$ | $0 \times 0$ | $0 \times 0$ |
| Return Value/VFID | $6-7$ | $0 \times 0$ | $0 \times 0$ |
| Cookie | $8-15$ | Arbitrary value defined by software | Arbitrary value defined by software |
| Param 0 | $16,--19$ | 0 | 0 |
| Param 1 | $20-23$ | $(0 \times 000 A C 440+0 \times 4 *$ PRT) | $(0 \times 000 A C 200+0 \times 4 *$ PRT) |
| Data Address High | $24-27$ | 0 | 0 |
| Data Address Low | $28-31$ | <CSR Write Data> | $<$ CSR Write Data> |

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 27. AER Header Log Might be Invalid

## Problem:

If more than two uncorrectable function-specific errors are reported to VFs connected to the same PF, the Advanced Error Reporting (AER) Header Log (PCIe Configuration Registers offset 0x11C... 0x128) might be invalid.

This occurs only in case that one or more of the two errors have been cleared by the host, and a 3rd one arrives later for a VF connected to the same PF. In this case, the header log of this last error might be corrupted.

## Implication:

Error source debug limitation. Uncommon systems suffering from multiple uncorrectable errors might have invalid AER Header Log.

## Workaround:

PCIe trace data collected by a protocol analyzer can alternatively be used to recognize the TLP that is causing the error.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 28. A CfgWr to a VF TLP with Error Might Generate an Error Message with Wrong VF Number

## Problem:

When a CfgWr TLP that is poisoned or has a parity error is received by the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710AT2, an error message with the wrong VF number might be generated. Note that the status is correctly reported in the respective VF Status registers.

## Implication:

PCIe error message with wrong Requester ID.

## Workaround:

When the OS gets an error message and the status registers bits are cleared, it should poll the other VFs' status registers.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 29. No LAN-to-BMC Pass-through Traffic in Dr State

## Problem:

While in Dr state and pass-through is enabled, the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 should keep passthrough functionality active. However, LAN-to-BMC traffic is not functional in $\operatorname{Dr}$ state.

## Implication:

Cannot maintain manageability pass-through traffic while the system is in Soft Off G2/S5 state.

## Workaround:

An NVM workaround is available in NVM 7.1.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
30. MNG Packets are Dropped while a Function-Level Reset to PF 0 is in Progress

## Problem:

When Function-Level Reset (FLR) is applied to PF 0, it also resets the LAN-to-BMC pass-through flow.

## Implication:

LAN-to-BMC pass-through traffic stops while FLR is applied to PF 0.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 31. DCBx Resume of a Port Affects Other Ports

## Problem:

When DCBx resumes a port's traffic, done after port draining is performed, traffic might also be resumed for other ports.

Implication:
A port might be unintentionally resumed.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 32. A Global SDP Might be Affected by a Specific Port Power State

## Problem:

When a GPIO is defined as a global SDP and its behavior is unrelated to any specific port, the GLGEN_GPIO_CTL.PRT_NUM_NA bit should be set, and the SDP value should be controlled by the GLGEN_GPIO_SET register regardless of port state.

However, the $P R T_{-} N U M \_N A$ bit does not take effect, and SDP output is tri-stated or driven high (depending on GLGEN_GPIO_CTL.OUT_CTL) when the port specified at the $P R T_{-} N U M$ field is in powerdown state.

## Implication:

A global SDP unrelated to any specific port is disabled according to a port power state.

## Workaround:

This should be taken in account in the board design. In some cases, it might just be a matter of inverting the polarity.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 33. Legacy SMBus: Failure to De-assert Alert Signal when Not Using ARA cycle

## Problem:

In legacy SMBus mode, the MC might get an indication of outstanding events through the SMBALRT_N line. The MC should then do an ARA cycle to get the indicating function. It can instead read the status of all functions. If the MC fails to do this, and reads only a single function status, the SMBALRT_N line will never de-assert, even if the timeout expires.

## Implication:

SMBALRT_N is not de-asserted.

## Workaround:

Poll status of all functions.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 34. Get Link Status AQ Command Might Return Incorrect Status

## Problem:

If there is an $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ access error when executing the Get Link Status AQ command, the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 might falsely provide a link down response.

## Implication:

A transient error in accessing the external module via $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ causes the software device driver to report a link flap to the system.

## Workaround:

If a Get Link Status response shows a link de-assertion, the Get Link Status command should be repeated.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 35. A Function-level Reset Might Affect Other Functions

## Problem:

When a function-level reset is applied (PFR, VFR or VMR), under rare conditions it might affect the Tx of a different function.

## Implication:

Tx hang.

## Workaround:

To prevent the failure, ensure that all queues belonging to the entity to be reset are disabled before initiating the reset. If this cannot be ensured, the failure could occur and the software device driver should use a CORER to recover from a Tx hang that cannot be cleared by a function-level reset.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 36. Rx Packet Drops Even with Priority Flow Control

## Problem:

When using flow control, the expectation is for no Rx packet drops caused by a Receive Packet Buffer overflow. In the situation where Priority Flow Control (PFC) is enabled on some traffic classes, but not on all enabled traffic classes, there is a possibility for the Receive Packet Buffer to fill up and drop packets belonging to any traffic class.

## Implication:

PFC is not completely effective in preventing Receive Packet Buffer overflows under small-packet stress conditions.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 37. DCBx Configuration Might Change After LLDP Stops

## Problem:

After a Stop LLDP Agent AQ command, the LLDP agent should be stopped but DCBx configuration should stay unchanged. However, if a CORER or GLOBR is asserted when the LLDP agent is stopped, the configuration might be changed.

## Implication:

DCBx configuration unstable when LLDP agent stops.

## Workaround:

Prior to a Stop LLDP Agent AQ command, software should read the MIB (Get LLDP MIB AQ command). After LLDP stops, software should write a previous MIB (Set Local LLDP MIB AQ command).

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 38. PCIe Interrupt Status Bit

## Problem:

The Interrupt Status bit in the Status register of the PCIe configuration space is not implemented and is not set as described in the PCIe specification.

## Implication:

When using shared legacy PCI interrupts, software might use this bit to determine if the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 has a pending interrupt. Since the bit is not implemented, the software might not handle the interrupt, resulting in a continuous interrupt assertion.

There is no implication when using MSI or MSI-X.

## Workaround:

The Interrupt Status bit should not be used. Avoid using shared legacy PCI interrupts.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 39. Glitch on SDP Outputs During GLOBR

## Problem:

GPIO pins that are defined as SDP outputs (PIN_FUNC is 000b and PIN_DIR is 1b in GLGEN_GPIO_CTL) can have a high-to-low glitch during GLOBR if OUT_CTL is Ob.

The same applies when the port specified in GLGEN_GPIO_CTL.PRT_NUM is enabled/disabled.

## Implication:

The implication depends on the use of the SDP. For example, an SDP used as a QSFP+ reset signal might cause the module to malfunction due to a short reset assertion.

## Workaround:

One of the following:

- If the SDP is supposed to be high during GLOBR, set OUT_CTL to 1 b .
- For a general-purpose 2-state SDP output (PHY_PIN_NAME is 0x3F), set PIN_FUNC to 001b (LED) and use the $L E D \_M O D E$ field (0000b or 1111b) to control the output value.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

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40. Function-Level Reset Fails to Complete

## Problem:

In rare cases, the hardware activity of a function-level reset (PFR, VFR, or VMR) might fail to complete.

## Implication:

PFR: Software times out while waiting for the PFR to complete. The firmware gets stuck and the firmware watchdog timer expires, triggering an EMPR.

VFR/VMR: Software times out while waiting for the reset to complete.

## Workaround:

PFR: Software should re-initialize the device after the EMPR.
VFR/VMR: After a timeout waiting for the reset to complete, software should retry the reset by clearing and then setting the reset trigger bit (GLGEN_VFRTRIG.VFSWR for VFR or VSIGEN_RTRIG.VMSWR for VMR) and then restarting the polling for reset completion. After three retry attempts, abort with an error.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 41. Incorrect Flexible Payload Extraction from Flow Director Filter to Receive Descriptor

## Problem:

When programming a Flow Director filter, if FD_STATUS is 10 b , the FLEXOFF value provided in the programming descriptor is used incorrectly, and the wrong bytes are extracted to the receive descriptor.

## Implication:

Incorrect descriptor content.

## Workaround:

To get four bytes starting from offset N of the flexible payload to the receive descriptor, the value $\mathrm{N}-2$ should be used for FLEXOFF. Byte offsets 0 and 1 cannot be extracted with FD_STATUS of 01b.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 42. Aux Power Detected Bit Not Implemented

## Problem:

The Aux Power Detected bit in the Device Status register of the PCIe Configuration Space is not implemented. The bit is always Ob.

## Implication:

PCIe specification compliance, but this issue is not detected by the existing compliance testing.
It is not expected that any software uses this bit. If it is being used, the workaround should be implemented by the software.

## Workaround:

Use the most-significant bit of PMCR.PME_Support instead.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 43. SGMII Receiver Sensitivity

## Problem:

The SGMII specification requires a maximum receiver sensitivity of 100 mV peak-to-peak. The The X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 receiver sensitivity can be as high as 190 mV peak-to-peak.

## Implication:

No expected implication, since the input signal voltage would normally be high enough.

## Workaround:

Ensure that the input signal is strong enough when using an SGMII connection.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
44. IEEE 802.3 Clause 73 AN Does Not Support Parallel Detection

## Problem:

When using Clause 73 auto-negotiation, parallel detection is not supported.
Implication:
Inability to link with legacy devices that do not have Clause 73 AN enabled.
Workaround:
None.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 45. IEEE 802.3 Clause 73 AN Echoed Nonce Field is Zero

## Problem:

During the IEEE 802.3 Clause 73 auto-negotiation process, the last message page has the Echoed Nonce field set to 00000b even if the ACK bit is 1 b .

## Implication:

With certain link partners this might cause auto-negotiation failures.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 46. KR Transmitter Output Waveform Violations

## Problem:

The KR transmitter does not meet the IEEE 802.3 Clause 72.7.1.11 transmitter output waveform requirements for $R_{\text {pre }}$ when both $C(1)$ and $C(-1)$ are disabled and $c(0)$ is maximum.

Implication:
Conformance issue. Not expected to impact functionality.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
47. 10GBASE-KR wait_timer Value Smaller Than Specification

## Problem:

The 10GBASE-KR wait_timer is defined by IEEE 802.3 to have a value between 100 and 300 training frames. The actual value is 75 training frames.

## Implication:

Potential training failure with some link partners.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 48. Receive Queue Disable Can Get Stuck

## Problem:

If there are no descriptors available for a receive queue that belongs to a no-drop TC and the queue is disabled at the same time that a packet arrives for the queue, the queue disable can get stuck.

## Implication:

Head-of-line blocking continues despite an attempt to disable the queue.

## Workaround:

To avoid this situation, the driver should try to ensure that there are always Rx descriptors available, especially when disabling an Rx queue.

If a head-of-line blocking situation does occur, it is handled as usual when the PFCTIMER expires.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 49. Set DCB Parameters AQC (Opcode 0x303) Might Return EINVAL Even when It Succeeds

## Problem:

The Set DCB Parameters AQ command (opcode 0x303) might return EINVAL even when it succeeds.

## Implication:

Software driver does not know whether the command succeeded.

## Workaround:

Ignore the return code.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
50. Receive IP Packets in a Low-Latency Traffic Class Are Not Fully Processed

## Problem:

Receive packets that contain an IP header and belong to a low-latency traffic class (as defined by PRTDCB_RETSC.LLTC) are not fully processed by the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2. The following processing is not performed on these packets:

- Validating the IP checksum.
- Validating the L4 checksum.
- Stripping/extracting the VLAN from a tunneled packet.


## Implication:

Performing this data processing in software results in lower overall performance of the product.

## Workaround:

When using DCBx, ETS should be enabled for all active TCs.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
51. Activity LED Might Blink Regardless if Link is Up or Down for a Port

Problem:
X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 Activity LEDs toggle as a result of BMC/HOST transmit packets regardless of the port link state. Activity LEDs are MAC_ACT or FILTER_ACT (set by the field LED_MODE - 1101 or 1110 respectively).

Implication:
The Activity LED might be blinking even if link is down.

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Workaround:
BMC/HOST should transmit packets only when link is up.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 52. EMP Reset After Using Intel QCU Tool

## Problem:

EMP reset occurs after changing the device configuration using Intel QCU tools. For example, changing from $2 \times 40$ to $4 \times 10$.

Implication:
Device hang and later EMP reset that removes the manageability configuration.
Workaround:
None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 53. PCIe Replay Timer Can Occasionally be Lower Than PCIe Spec Requirements

## Problem:

PCIe Replay Timer can occasionally be lower than PCIe spec requirements

## Implication:

PCIe Replay Timer Timeouts and Replay_Num rollover correctable errors. Due to this error, reduced PCIe performance is possible.

These errors can only be observed on platforms with downstream port ACK latencies that are beyond maximum PCIe spec limits.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 54. No Length Error on VLAN Packets with BAD Type/Length Field

## Problem:

The $\mathrm{X} 710-\mathrm{TM} 4 / \mathrm{AT} 2$ and V710-AT2, when the link speed is 10 G or lower, will not assert length error for VLAN packets that have a bad type/length field in the MAC header.

## Implication:

No impact on system level performance. The packets are posted to the host as any other packets.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 55. Thermal Alarm Points for Pluggable Modules Are Using Fixed Values Instead of Reading from Module EEPROM

## Problem:

Thermal alarm points for pluggable modules are using fixed values defined by the NVM instead of reading from module EEPROM.

Implication:
Incorrect thermal alarm points that could result false alarm events or failures to raise an alarms when necessary.

## Workaround:

None.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 56. Memory Leak in Receive Packet Buffer

## Problem:

In rare circumstances, the memory used to store a packet in the Receive Packet Buffer is not released after the packet has been processed. Each time this occurs, the effective size of the Receive Packet Buffer is reduced.

Factors involved in the failure:

- Packets that are replicated to multiple VSIs, for example broadcast packets.
- Packets that are dropped due to disable queues or a lack of receive descriptors.


## Implication:

If this failure occurs repeatedly, the effective buffering of the receive traffic is reduced over time.
If the effective fill level of the Receive Packet Buffer gets high enough, all input packets will be dropped on one or more ports. See Section 7.7.1.2.3 of the Inte ${ }^{\circledR}$ Ethernet Controller X710-TM4/AT2 Datasheet for the conditions under which this can occur.

## Workaround:

To reduce the probability of failure:

- Remove unnecessary replications of packets to unused VFs/queues.
- Ensure that there are always receive descriptors available for all active queues.
- Increasing the Receive Packet Buffer thresholds can increase the time before packets start to be dropped.

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Recovery:

- A reboot restores the operation of the Receive Packet Buffer.

Status: B1=Yes; NoFix

## 57. Single-Byte $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ Writes Clear the Following Byte

## Problem:

When using the Set PHY Register admin queue command to write via the $I^{2}$ C interface, the $\mathrm{X} 710-\mathrm{TM} 4 /$ AT2 and V710-AT2 performs a 2 -byte $\mathrm{I}^{2} \mathrm{C}$ write. The data value provided in the command is written to the byte address provided in the command, and the value 0 is written to the following byte address.

## Implication:

If the address following the target address is also writable in the module EEPROM, the value of that location could be corrupted. Port configurations that use $I^{2} C$ interface, such as SFP/SFP+, could be impacted.

## Workaround:

If the $I^{2} C$ write can be done as a one-time configuration, use the bit-bang interface instead of the Set PHY Config command. Disable firmware link management before doing so.

Status: B1=Yes; Fixed in NVM 8.40

## 58. Failure to Manipulate the Default MAN/VLAN Filter

## Problem:

If the default MAC/VLAN filter (PF MAC Address with VLAN ID 0) is removed and then added back, a subsequent attempt to remove this filter is only partially executed. Further attempts to add or remove this filter malfunction.

Implication:
Inconsistent filter state if the default MAC/VLAN filter has been removed more than once.

## Workaround:

Do not remove the default MAC/VLAN filter more than once between PF resets.
Status: B1=Yes; NoFix
59. Remove MAC/VLAN Pair AQ Command Failure

## Problem:

If more than 2048 MAC/VLAN filters have been added to the device, a Remove MAC/VLAN Pair AQ command for the filters beyond the first 2048 fails with the ENOENT error.

## Implication:

Failure to remove MAC/VLAN filters. This erratum only applies to NVM version 8.40 and later.

Workaround:
Do not use more than 2048 MAC/VLAN filters in the device.
OR
Use PF reset to clear MAC/VLAN filters instead of removing them individually.
Status: B1=Yes; Fix Planned in NVM

## 3. Software Clarifications

Table 3-1. Summary of Software Clarifications

| Software Clarification | Status |
| :--- | :---: |
| 1. X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 Option ROM Should Not be Integrated in the BIOS | N/A |
| 2. VXLAN Guidance for VMware vSphere | N/A |

## 1. $\quad \mathrm{X} 710-\mathrm{TM} 4 / \mathrm{AT} 2$ and V710-AT2 Option ROM Should Not be Integrated in the BIOS

Previous generations of Intel networking controllers allowed the Option ROM to be stored in the flash attached to the device, or in the BIOS flash. The X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 requires the Option ROM, if one is used, to be stored in the flash attached to the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2. This is done to maintain alignment of the pre-boot code with the internal X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2 firmware when upgrades are necessary.

## 2. VXLAN Guidance for VMware vSphere

For VXLAN traffic in production VMware vSphere environments with the X710-TM4/AT2 and V710-AT2, use the 1.3.38 ESXi driver or later. For the latest driver version currently available, please reference the VMware Compatibility Guide.

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