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#### Details

Product Status	Obsolete
Core Processor	ARM7®
Core Size	16/32-Bit
Speed	75MHz
Connectivity	EBI/EMI, UART/USART
Peripherals	WDT
Number of I/O	32
Program Memory Size	2MB (1M x 16)
Program Memory Type	FLASH
EEPROM Size	-
RAM Size	256K x 8
Voltage - Supply (Vcc/Vdd)	1.65V ~ 1.95V
Data Converters	-
Oscillator Type	External
Operating Temperature	-40°C ~ 85°C (TA)
Mounting Type	Surface Mount
Package / Case	121-TFBGA
Supplier Device Package	121-BGA (10x10)
Purchase URL	<a href="https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/microchip-technology/at91fr40162sb-cu-999">https://www.e-xfl.com/product-detail/microchip-technology/at91fr40162sb-cu-999</a>

## 1. Description

The AT91FR40162SB is a member of the Atmel AT91 16/32-bit Microcontroller family, which is based on the ARM7TDMI processor core. The processor has a high-performance 32-bit RISC architecture with a high-density 16-bit instruction set and very low power consumption.

The AT91FR40162SB ARM microcontroller features 2 Mbits of on-chip SRAM and 2 Mbytes of Flash memory in a single compact 121-ball BGA package. Its high level of integration and very small footprint make the device ideal for space-constrained applications. The high-speed on-chip SRAM enables a performance of up to 74 MIPS in typical conditions with significant power reduction and EMC improvement over an external SRAM implementation.

The Flash memory may be programmed via the JTAG/ICE interface or the factory-programmed Flash Memory Uploader (FMU) using a single device supply, making the AT91FR40162SB suitable for in-system programmable applications.

## 2. Migrating from the AT91FR40162S to the AT91FR40162SB

### 2.1 Hardware Requirements

The AT91FR40162SB is pin-to-pin compatible to the AT91FR40162S, so the AT91FR40162SB can be soldered in place of the AT91FR40162S without any other hardware changes.

The AT91FR40162SB does not feature a VPP pin, thus ball D5 of the 121-ball BGA package of the AT91FR40162SB is NC (Not connected). This ball can either be connected to a supply up to 13V (as could be the VPP ball of the AT91FR40162S), grounded or left unconnected.

### 2.2 Software Requirements

Except for the Flash memory, the processor, the architecture and the peripherals of both the AT91FR40162S and the AT91FR40162SB are identical, any program written for an AT91FR40162S-based system can run as is on the same system built with an AT91FR40162SB, with the exception of aspects related to the Flash memory.

### 2.3 Flash Memory Difference

Some features of the embedded Flash memories in the AT91FR40162S and the AT91FR40162SB are not fully identical.

#### 2.3.1 Device ID

The Device Code of the Flash Memory of the AT91FR40162SB is 01C0H instead of 00C0H for the AT91FR40162S. Users who this Device Code must modify the software.

#### 2.3.2 VPP Features

As the AT91FR40162SB does not feature a VPP pin, neither the write protection feature nor the double-word fast write feature are available on this device.

If the hardware write protection feature is used on the AT91FR40162S, it should be replaced by a software-controlled write protection method with the Sector Lockdown command, or removed from the application.

If the Double Byte/Word Program command was used on the AT91FR40162S, the user needs to change the flash programming sequence and to use only the standard Byte/Word Program command.

The VPP Status I/O3 does not exist anymore in the Status word returned by the Flash Memory.

### **2.3.3 Erase Cycle Timings**

The AT91FR40162SB chip erase cycle time and sector erase cycle times have been improved. The 32K Word sector erase cycle time maximum value has been increased from 5 seconds to 6 seconds. In case the end of erase cycle is not used, but a fixed timeout is used instead, the value of the timeout must be checked against the new value.

### **2.3.4 CFI Common Flash Interface**

The Common Flash Interface table ([Table 12-5, “Common Flash Interface Definition,” on page 68](#)) Erase block information of the 64-KByte and the 8-KByte sectors addresses was not fully CFI-compliant on the AT91FR40162S. The AT91FR40162SB is fully CFI-compliant, and thus the Erase block information of the 64-KByte and the 8-KByte sector addresses in the Common Flash Interface table have changed.

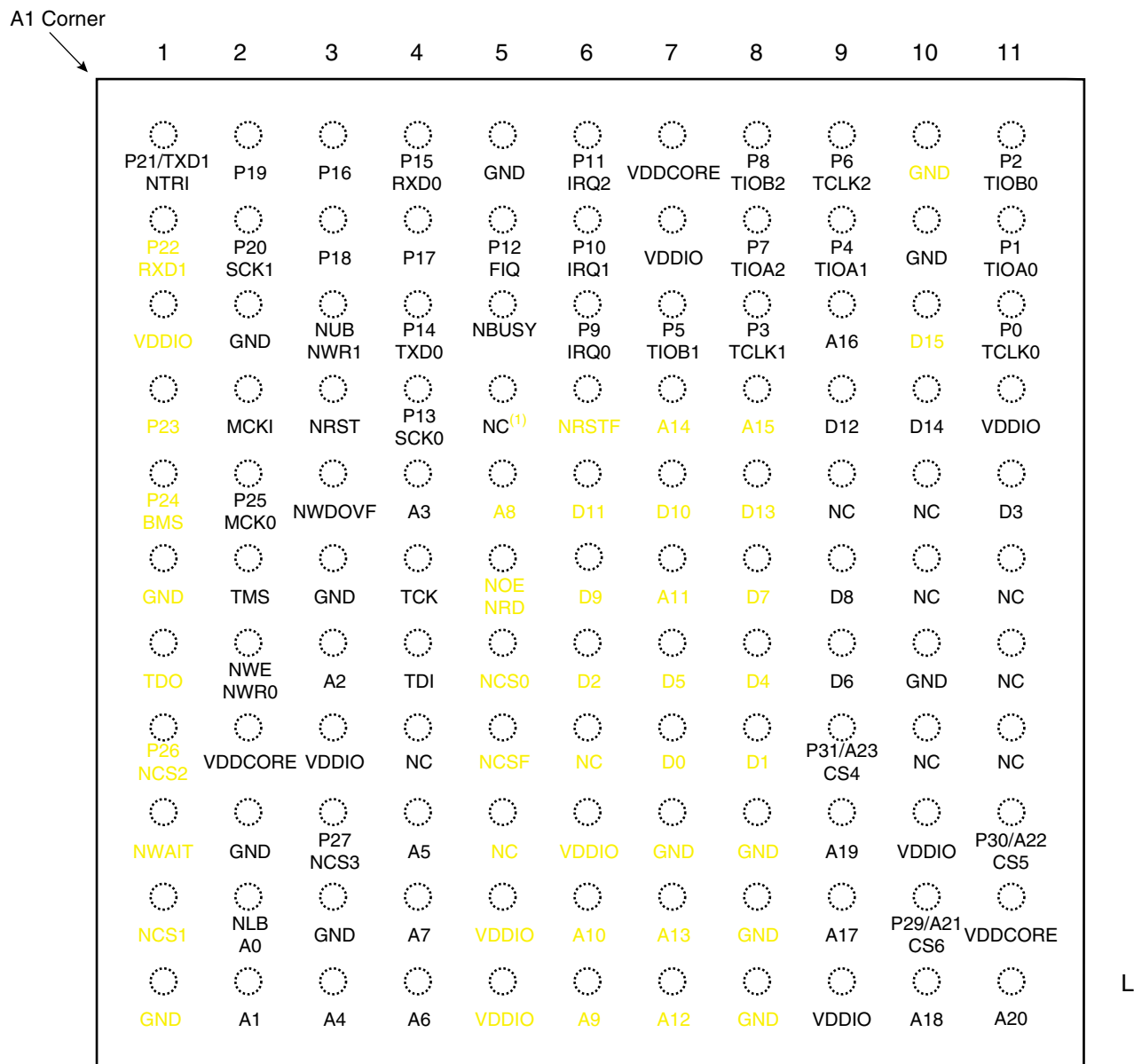
Users who managed the programming of the flash with the CFI algorithm on the AT91FR40162S should adapt their programming for the AT91FR40162SB.

### **2.3.5 Fully Green Package**

The AT91FR40162S is RoHS compliant, whereas the AT91FR40162SB is fully Green qualified. This has no impact on the soldering profile to be used, but only improves environmental considerations.

### 3. Pin Configuration

**Figure 3-1.** AT91FR40162SB Pinout for 121-ball BGA Package (Top View)



Note: 1. Not connected, can either be connected to GND, VCC or left unconnected.

## 4. Signal Description

**Table 4-1.** AT91FR40162SB Signal Description

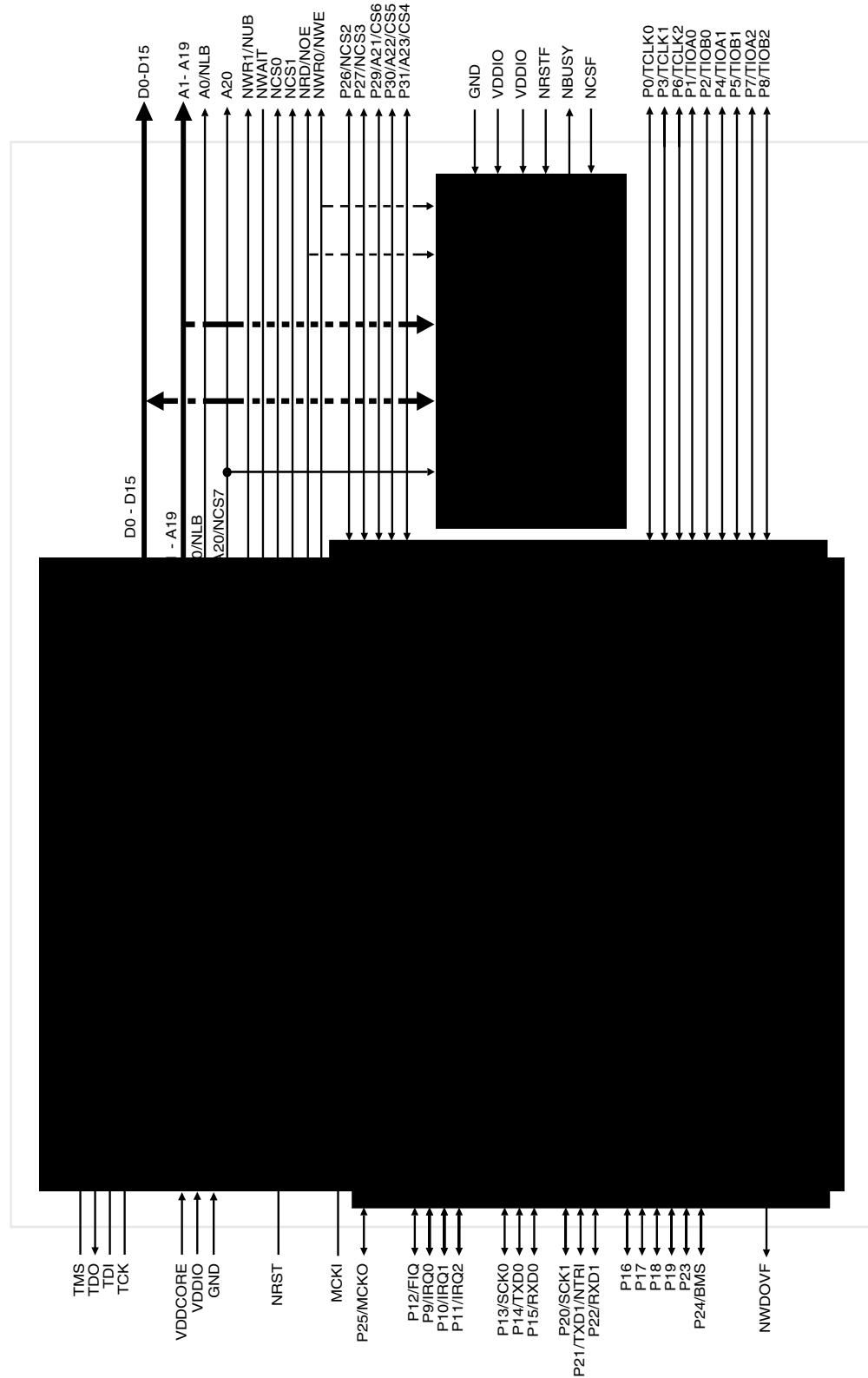
Module	Name	Function	Type	Active Level	Comments
EBI	A0 - A23	Address Bus	Output	–	Valid after reset; do not reprogram A20 to I/O, as it is MSB of Flash address
	D0 - D15	Data Bus	I/O	–	
	NCS0 - NCS3	External Chip Select	Output	Low	Used to select external devices
	CS4 - CS7	External Chip Select	Output	High	A23 - A20 after reset
	NWR0	Lower Byte 0 Write Signal	Output	Low	Used in Byte Write option
	NWR1	Upper Byte 1 Write Signal	Output	Low	Used in Byte Write option
	NRD	Read Signal	Output	Low	Used in Byte Write option
	NWE	Write Enable	Output	Low	Used in Byte Select option
	NOE	Output Enable	Output	Low	Used in Byte Select option
	NUB	Upper Byte Select	Output	Low	Used in Byte Select option
	NLB	Lower Byte Select	Output	Low	Used in Byte Select option
	NWAIT	Wait Input	Input	Low	
	BMS	Boot Mode Select	Input	–	Sampled during reset; must be driven low during reset for Flash to be used as boot memory
AIC	FIQ	Fast Interrupt Request	Input	–	PIO-controlled after reset
	IRQ0 - IRQ2	External Interrupt Request	Input	–	PIO-controlled after reset
Timer	TCLK0 - TCLK2	Timer External Clock	Input	–	PIO-controlled after reset
	TIOA0 - TIOA2	Multi-purpose Timer I/O Pin A	I/O	–	PIO-controlled after reset
	TIOB0 - TIOB2	Multi-purpose Timer I/O Pin B	I/O	–	PIO-controlled after reset
USART	SCK0 - SCK1	External Serial Clock	I/O	–	PIO-controlled after reset
	TXD0 - TXD1	Transmit Data Output	Output	–	PIO-controlled after reset
	RXD0 - RXD1	Receive Data Input	Input	–	PIO-controlled after reset
PIO	P0 - P31	Parallel IO Line	I/O	–	
WD	NWDOVF	Watchdog Overflow	Output	Low	Open drain
Clock	MCKI	Master Clock Input	Input	–	Schmidt trigger
	MCKO	Master Clock Output	Output	–	
Reset	NRST	Hardware Reset Input	Input	Low	Schmidt trigger
	NTRI	Tri-state Mode Select	Input	Low	Sampled during reset
ICE	TMS	Test Mode Select	Input	–	Schmidt trigger, internal pull-up
	TDI	Test Data Input	Input	–	Schmidt trigger, internal pull-up
	TDO	Test Data Output	Output	–	
	TCK	Test Clock	Input	–	Schmidt trigger, internal pull-up

**Table 4-1.** AT91FR40162SB Signal Description (Continued)

Module	Name	Function	Type	Active Level	Comments
Flash Memory	NCSF	Flash Memory Select	Input	Low	$\overline{\text{Enables}}$ Flash Memory when pulled low
	NBUSY	Flash Memory Busy Output	Output	Low	Flash RDY/ $\overline{\text{BUSY}}$ signal; open-drain
	NRSTF	Flash Memory Reset Input	Input	Low	Resets Flash to standard operating mode
Power	VDDIO	Power	Power	–	All $V_{\text{DDIO}}$ , $V_{\text{DDCORE}}$ and all GND pins MUST be connected to their respective supplies by the shortest route
	VDDCORE	Power	Power	–	
	GND	Ground	Ground	–	

## 5. Block Diagram

Figure 5-1. AT91FR40162SB Block Diagram



### **6.2.1 System Peripherals**

The External Bus Interface (EBI) controls the external memory or peripheral devices via an 8- or 16-bit data bus and is programmed through the APB. Each chip select line has its own programming register.

The Power-saving (PS) module implements the Idle Mode (ARM7TDMI core clock stopped until the next interrupt) and enables the user to adapt the power consumption of the microcontroller to application requirements (independent peripheral clock control).

The Advanced Interrupt Controller (AIC) controls the internal interrupt sources from the internal peripherals and the four external interrupt lines (including the FIQ) to provide an interrupt and/or fast interrupt request to the ARM7TDMI. It integrates an 8-level priority controller, and, using the Auto-vectoring feature, reduces the interrupt latency time.

The Parallel Input/Output Controller (PIO) controls up to 32 I/O lines. It enables the user to select specific pins for on-chip peripheral input/output functions, and general-purpose input/output signal pins. The PIO controller can be programmed to detect an interrupt on a signal change from each line.

The Watchdog (WD) can be used to prevent system lock-up if the software becomes trapped in a deadlock.

The Special Function (SF) module integrates the Chip ID, the Reset Status and the Protect registers.

### **6.2.2 User Peripherals**

Two USARTs, independently configurable, enable communication at a high baud rate in synchronous or asynchronous mode. The format includes start, stop and parity bits and up to 8 data bits. Each USART also features a Timeout and a Time Guard register, facilitating the use of the two dedicated Peripheral Data Controller (PDC) channels.

The 3-channel, 16-bit Timer Counter (TC) is highly programmable and supports capture or waveform modes. Each TC channel can be programmed to measure or generate different kinds of waves, and can detect and control two input/output signals. The TC has also 3 external clock signals.



## 7. Product Overview

### 7.1 Power Supply

The AT91FR40162SB device has two types of power supply pins:

- VDDCORE pins that power the chip core (i.e., the AT91R40008 with its embedded SRAM and peripherals)
- VDDIO pins that power the AT91R40008 I/O lines and the Flash memory

An independent I/O supply allows a flexible adaptation to external component signal levels.

### 7.2 Input/Output Considerations

The AT91FR40162SB I/O pads accept voltage levels up to the VDDIO power supply limit. After the reset, the microcontroller peripheral I/Os are initialized as inputs to provide the user with maximum flexibility. It is recommended that in any application phase, the inputs to the microcontroller be held at valid logic levels to minimize the power consumption.

### 7.3 Master Clock

The AT91FR40162SB has a fully static design and works on the Master Clock (MCK), provided on the MCKI pin from an external source.

The Master Clock is also provided as an output of the device on the pin MCKO, which is multiplexed with a general purpose I/O line. While NRST is active, and after the reset, the MCKO is valid and outputs an image of the MCK signal. The PIO Controller must be programmed to use this pin as standard I/O line.

### 7.4 Reset

Reset restores the default states of the user interface registers (defined in the user interface of each peripheral), and forces the ARM7TDMI to perform the next instruction fetch from address zero. Except for the program counter the ARM7TDMI registers do not have defined reset states.

#### 7.4.1 NRST Pin

NRST is an active low-level input. It is asserted asynchronously, but exit from reset is synchronized internally to the MCK. The signal presented on MCKI must be active within the specification for a minimum of 10 clock cycles up to the rising edge of NRST to ensure correct operation. The first processor fetch occurs 80 clock cycles after the rising edge of NRST.

#### 7.4.2 Watchdog Reset

The watchdog can be programmed to generate an internal reset. In this case, the reset has the same effect as the NRST pin assertion, but the pins BMS and NTRI are not sampled. Boot Mode and Tri-state Mode are not updated. If the NRST pin is asserted and the watchdog triggers the internal reset, the NRST pin has priority.

## **7.5 Emulation Functions**

### **7.5.1 Tri-state Mode**

The AT91FR40162SB microcontroller provides a tri-state mode, which is used for debug purposes. This enables the connection of an emulator probe to an application board without having to desolder the device from the target board. In tri-state mode, all the output pin drivers of the AT91R40008 microcontroller are disabled.

In tri-state mode, direct access to the Flash via external pins is provided. This enables production Flash programming using classical Flash programmers prior to board mounting.

To enter tri-state mode, the NTRI pin must be held low during the last 10 clock cycles before the rising edge of NRST. For normal operation, the NTRI pin must be held high during reset by a resistor of up to 400 k $\Omega$ .

NTRI is multiplexed with I/O line P21 and USART1 serial data transmit line TXD1.

### **7.5.2 JTAG/ICE Debug**

ARM-standard embedded In-circuit Emulation is supported via the JTAG/ICE port. The pins TDI, TDO, TCK and TMS are dedicated to this debug function and can be connected to a host computer via the external ICE interface. In ICE Debug Mode, the ARM7TDMI core responds with a non-JTAG chip ID that identifies the microcontroller. This is not fully IEEE1149.1 compliant.

## 7.6 Memory Controller

The ARM7TDMI processor address space is 4G bytes. The memory controller decodes the internal 32-bit address bus and defines three address spaces:

- Internal memories in the four lowest megabytes
- Middle space reserved for the external devices (memory or peripherals) controlled by the EBI
- Internal peripherals in the four highest megabytes

In any of these address spaces, the ARM7TDMI operates in little-endian mode only.

### 7.6.1 Internal Memories

The AT91FR40162SB microcontroller integrates 256K bytes of internal SRAM. It is 32 bits wide and single-clock cycle accessible. Byte (8-bit), half-word (16-bit) and word (32-bit) accesses are supported and are executed within one cycle. Fetching either Thumb or ARM instructions is supported, and internal memory can store two times as many Thumb instructions as ARM instructions.

The SRAM is mapped at address 0x0 (after the Remap command), allowing ARM7TDMI exception vectors between 0x0 and 0x20 to be modified by the software.

Placing the SRAM on-chip and using the 32-bit data bus bandwidth maximizes the microcontroller performance and minimizes system power consumption. The 32-bit bus increases the effectiveness of the use of the ARM instruction set and the processing of data that is wider than 16 bits, thus making optimal use of the ARM7TDMI advanced performance.

Being able to dynamically update application software in the 256-Kbyte SRAM adds an extra dimension to the AT91FR40162SB.

The AT91FR40162SB also integrates a 2-Mbyte Flash memory that is accessed via the External Bus Interface. All data, address and control lines, except for the Chip Select signal, are connected within the device.

### 7.6.2 Boot Mode Select

The ARM reset vector is at address 0x0. After the NRST line is released, the ARM7TDMI executes the instruction stored at this address. This means that this address must be mapped in nonvolatile memory after the reset. The input level on the BMS pin during the last 10 clock cycles before the rising edge of the NRST selects the type of boot memory (see [Table 4-1 on page 5](#)).

If the embedded Flash memory is to be used as boot memory, the BMS input must be pulled down externally and NCS0 must be connected to NCSF externally.

The pin BMS is multiplexed with the I/O line P24 that can be programmed after reset like any standard PIO line.

**Table 7-1.** Boot Mode Select

BMS	Boot Memory
1	External 8-bit memory on NCS0
0	Internal or External 16-bit memory on NCS0

### 7.6.3 Remap Command

The ARM vectors (Reset, Abort, Data Abort, Prefetch Abort, Undefined Instruction, Interrupt, Fast Interrupt) are mapped from address 0x0 to address 0x20. In order to allow these vectors to

be redefined dynamically by the software, the AT91FR40162SB uses a remap command that enables switching between the boot memory and the internal primary SRAM bank addresses. The remap command is accessible through the EBI User Interface by writing one in RCB of EBI\_RCR (Remap Control Register). Performing a remap command is mandatory if access to the other external devices (connected to chip selects 1 to 7) is required. The remap operation can only be changed back by an internal reset or an NRST assertion.

#### **7.6.4 Abort Control**

The abort signal providing a Data Abort or a Prefetch Abort exception to the ARM7TDMI is asserted when accessing an undefined address in the EBI address space.

No abort is generated when reading the internal memory or by accessing the internal peripherals, whether the address is defined or not.

#### **7.6.5 External Bus Interface**

The External Bus Interface handles the accesses between addresses 0x0040 0000 and 0xFFC0 0000. It generates the signals that control access to the external devices, and can be configured from eight 1-Mbyte banks up to four 16-Mbyte banks. It supports byte, half-word and word aligned accesses.

For each of these banks, the user can program:

- Number of wait states
- Number of data float times (wait time after the access is finished to prevent any bus contention in case the device is too long in releasing the bus)
- Data bus width (8-bit or 16-bit)
- With a 16-bit wide data bus, the user can program the EBI to control one 16-bit device (Byte Access Select Mode) or two 8-bit devices in parallel that emulate a 16-bit memory (Byte Write Access Mode).

The External Bus Interface features also the Early Read Protocol, configurable for all the devices, that significantly reduces access time requirements on an external device in the case of single-clock cycle access.

In the AT91FR40162SB, the External Bus Interface connects internally to the Flash memory.

#### **7.6.6 Flash Memory**

The 2-Mbyte Flash memory is organized as 1, 048, 576 words of 16 bits each. The Flash memory is addressed as 16-bit words via the EBI. It uses address lines A1 - A20 of the processor.

The address, data and control signals, except the Flash memory enable, are internally interconnected. The user should connect the Flash memory enable (NCSF) to one of the active-low chip selects on the EBI; NCS0 must be used if the Flash memory is to be the boot memory. In addition, if the Flash memory is to be used as boot memory, the BMS input must be pulled down externally in order for the processor to perform correct 16-bit fetches after reset.

During boot, the EBI must be configured with correct number of standard wait states. As an example, five standard wait states are required when the microcontroller is running at 66 MHz.

The user must ensure that all VDDIO, VDDCORE and all GND pins are connected to their respective supplies by the shortest route. The Flash memory powers-on in read mode. Command sequences are used to place the device in other operating modes, such as program and erase.

A separate Flash memory reset input pin (NRSTF) is provided for maximum flexibility, enabling the reset operation to adapt to the application. When this input is at a logic high level, the memory is in its standard operating mode; a low level on this input halts the current memory operation and puts its outputs in a high impedance state.

The Flash memory features data polling to detect the end of a program cycle. While a program cycle is in progress, an attempted read of the last word written will return the complement of the written data on I/O7. An open-drain NBUSY output pin provides another method of detecting the end of a program or erase cycle. This pin is pulled low while program and erase cycles are in progress and is released at the completion of the cycle. A toggle bit feature provides a third means of detecting the end of a program or erase cycle.

The Flash memory is divided into 39 sectors for erase operations. To further enhance device flexibility, an Erase Suspend feature is offered. This feature puts the erase cycle on hold for an indefinite period and allows the user to read data from, or to write data to, any other sector within the same memory plane. There is no need to suspend an erase cycle if the data to be read is in the other memory plane.

The device has the capability to protect data stored in any sector. Once the data protection for a sector is enabled, the data in that sector cannot be changed while input levels lie between ground and VDDIO.

**Note:** This data protection does not prevent read accesses of the Flash.

A 6-byte command sequence (Enter Single Pulse Program Mode) allows the device to be written to directly, using single pulses on the write control lines. This mode (Single-pulse Programming) is exited by powering down the device or by pulsing the NRSTF pin low for a defined duration and then bringing it back to VDDIO.

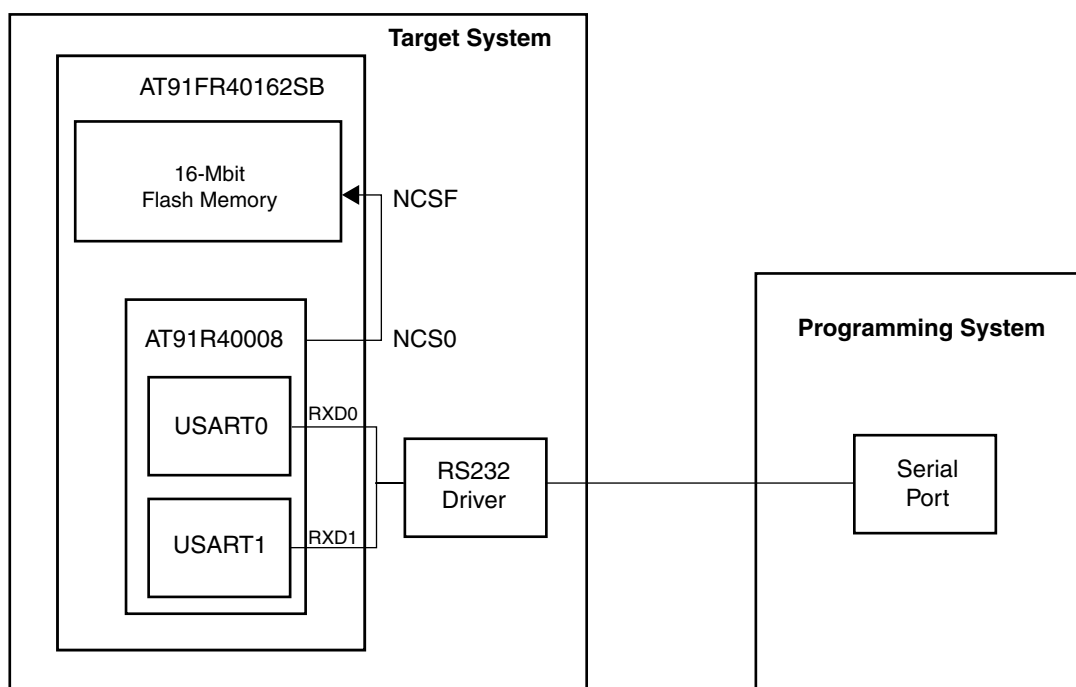
The following hardware features protect against inadvertent programming of the Flash memory:

- VDDIO Sense – if VDDIO is below a certain level, the program function is inhibited.
- VDDIO Power-on Delay – once VDDIO has reached the VDDIO sense level, the device will automatically time out a certain duration before programming.
- Program Inhibit – holding any one of OE low, CE high or WE high inhibits program cycles.
- Noise Filter – pulses of less than a certain duration on the WE or CE inputs will not initiate a program cycle.

## 7.7 AT91 Flash Memory Uploader (FMU) Software

All Flash-based AT91 devices are delivered with pre-programmed software called the AT91 Flash Memory Uploader, which resides in the first sector of the embedded Flash. The Flash Memory Uploader allows programming to the embedded flash through a serial port. Either of the on-chip USARTs can be used by the Flash Memory Uploader. The purpose of the AT91 Flash Memory Uploader is to provide a Flash programming solution during small and medium production. The FMU is “one-time usable”. This means that once the customer’s code is written in sector 0 of the Flash, the FMU is overwritten. If IAP functionality is needed, customers need to use the JTAG port or implement their own boot loader with IAP capability.

**Figure 7-1.** Flash Memory Uploader



### 7.7.1 Flash Memory Uploader Operations

The Flash Memory Uploader requires the encapsulated Flash to be used as the AT91FR40162SB boot memory and a valid clock to be applied to MCKI. After reset, the Flash Memory Uploader immediately recopies itself into the internal SRAM and jumps to it. The following operation requires this memory resource only. External accesses are performed only to program the encapsulated Flash.

When starting, PIO input change interrupts are initialized on the RXD lines of both USARTs. When an interrupt occurs, a Timer Counter channel is started. When the next input change is detected on the RXD line, the Timer Counter channel is stopped. This is how the first character length is measured and the USART can be initiated by taking into account the ratio between the device master clock speed and the actual communication baud rate speed.

The Programming System, then, can send commands and data following a proprietary protocol for the Flash device to be programmed. It is up to the Programming System to erase and program the first sector of the Flash as the last step of the operation, in order to reduce, to a minimum, the risk that the Flash Memory Uploader is erased and the power supply shuts down.

Note that in the event that the Flash Memory Uploader is erased from the first sector while the new final application is not yet programmed, and while the target system power supply is switched off, it leads to a non-recoverable error and the AT91FR40162SB cannot be re-programmed by using the Flash Memory Uploader.

### **7.7.2 Programming System**

Atmel provides a free Host Loader that runs on an IBM® compatible PC under Windows95, Windows98 or Windows2000 operating system. It can be downloaded from the Atmel Web site and requires only a serial cable to connect the Host to the Target.

Communications can be selected on either COM1 or COM2 and the serial link speed is limited to 115200 bauds. Because the serial link is the bottleneck in this configuration, the Flash programming lasts 110 seconds per Mbyte.

Reduced programming time can be achieved by using a faster programming system. An AT91 Evaluation Board is capable of running a serial link at up to 500 Kbits/sec and can match the fastest programming allowed by the Flash, for example, about 40 seconds per Mbyte when the word programming becomes the bottleneck.

For more details about the Flash Memory Uploader protocol and the Host Loader Programming System, see the application note page of the AT91 Products at [www.atmel.com](http://www.atmel.com).

## **8. Peripherals**

The AT91FR40162SB peripherals are connected to the 32-bit wide Advanced Peripheral Bus.

Peripheral registers are only word accessible. Byte and half-word accesses are not supported. If a byte or a half-word access is attempted, the memory controller automatically masks the lowest address bits and generates a word access.

Each peripheral has a 16-Kbyte address space allocated (the AIC only has a 4-Kbyte address space).

### **8.0.1 Peripheral Registers**

The following registers are common to all peripherals:

- Control Register – write only register that triggers a command when a one is written to the corresponding position at the appropriate address. Writing a zero has no effect.
- Mode Register – read/write register that defines the configuration of the peripheral. Usually has a value of 0x0 after a reset.
- Data Registers – read and/or write register that enables the exchange of data between the processor and the peripheral.
- Status Register – read only register that returns the status of the peripheral.
- Enable/Disable/Status Registers are shadow command registers. Writing a one in the Enable Register sets the corresponding bit in the Status Register. Writing a one in the Disable Register resets the corresponding bit and the result can be read in the Status Register. Writing a bit to zero has no effect. This register access method maximizes the efficiency of bit manipulation, and enables modification of a register with a single non-interruptible instruction, replacing the costly read-modify-write operation.

Unused bits in the peripheral registers must be written at 0 for upward compatibility. These bits read 0.

### **8.0.2 Peripheral Interrupt Control**

The Interrupt Control of each peripheral is controlled from the status register using the interrupt mask. The status register bits are ANDed to their corresponding interrupt mask bits and the result is then ORed to generate the Interrupt Source signal to the Advanced Interrupt Controller.

The interrupt mask is read in the Interrupt Mask Register and is modified with the Interrupt Enable Register and the Interrupt Disable Register. The enable/disable/status (or mask) makes it possible to enable or disable peripheral interrupt sources with a non-interruptible single instruction. This eliminates the need for interrupt masking at the AIC or Core level in real-time and multi-tasking systems.

### **8.0.3 Peripheral Data Controller**

The AT91FR40162SB has a 4-channel PDC dedicated to the two on-chip USARTs. One PDC channel is dedicated to the receiver and one to the transmitter of each USART.

The user interface of a PDC channel is integrated in the memory space of each USART. It contains a 32-bit Address Pointer Register (RPR or TPR) and a 16-bit Transfer Counter Register (RCR or TCR). When the programmed number of transfers are performed, a status bit indicating the end of transfer is set in the USART Status Register and an interrupt can be generated.



## 8.1 System Peripherals

### 8.1.1 PS: Power-saving

The power-saving feature optimizes power consumption, enabling the software to stop the ARM7TDMI clock (idle mode), restarting it when the module receives an interrupt (or reset). It also enables on-chip peripheral clocks to be enabled and disabled individually, matching power consumption and application needs.

### 8.1.2 AIC: Advanced Interrupt Controller

The Advanced Interrupt Controller has an 8-level priority, individually maskable, vectored interrupt controller, and drives the NIRQ and NFIQ pins of the ARM7TDMI from:

- The external fast interrupt line (FIQ)
- The three external interrupt request lines (IRQ0 - IRQ2)
- The interrupt signals from the on-chip peripherals

The AIC is extensively programmable offering maximum flexibility, and its vectoring features reduce the real-time overhead in handling interrupts.

The AIC also features a spurious vector detection feature, which reduces spurious interrupt handling to a minimum, and a protect mode that facilitates the debug capabilities.

### 8.1.3 PIO: Parallel I/O Controller

The AT91FR40162SB has 32 programmable I/O lines. Six pins are dedicated as general-purpose I/O pins. Other I/O lines are multiplexed with an external signal of a peripheral to optimize the use of available package pins. The PIO controller enables generation of an interrupt on input change and insertion of a simple input glitch filter on any of the PIO pins.

### 8.1.4 WD: Watchdog

The Watchdog is built around a 16-bit counter and is used to prevent system lock-up if the software becomes trapped in a deadlock. It can generate an internal reset or interrupt, or assert an active level on the dedicated pin NWDOVF. All programming registers are password-protected to prevent unintentional programming.

### 8.1.5 SF: Special Function

The AT91FR40162SB provides registers that implement the following special functions.

- Chip Identification
- RESET Status
- Protect Mode

## **8.2 User Peripherals**

### **8.2.1 USART: Universal Synchronous/ Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter**

The AT91FR40162SB provides two identical, full-duplex, universal synchronous/asynchronous receiver/transmitters.

Each USART has its own baud rate generator, and two dedicated Peripheral Data Controller channels. The data format includes a start bit, up to 8 data bits, an optional programmable parity bit and up to 2 stop bits.

The USART also features a Receiver Timeout register, facilitating variable length frame support when it is working with the PDC, and a Time-guard register, used when interfacing with slow remote equipment.

### **8.2.2 TC: Timer Counter**

The AT91FR40162SB features a Timer Counter block that includes three identical 16-bit timer counter channels. Each channel can be independently programmed to perform a wide range of functions including frequency measurement, event counting, interval measurement, pulse generation, delay timing and pulse width modulation.

The Timer Counter can be used in Capture or Waveform mode, and all three counter channels can be started simultaneously and chained together.

## 9. Ordering Information

**Table 9-1.** Ordering Information

Ordering Code	Package	Package Type	Temperature Operating Range
AT91FR40162SB-CU	BGA 121	Green	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)

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