

CIP-51 Performance for Standard Library Math Routines

Introduction

This document summarizes a collection of profiling tests for fixed and floating point math routines using Silicon Labs' CIP-51 Microcontroller Core. Code was developed using the Keil C51 Compiler and Keil 8051 Library Routines, and executed on a Silicon Labs C8051F005 device. Measurement was performed using an on-chip timer configured to count system clocks.

Floating-Point Characterization

These tests measured the execution time requirements for various floating-point math functions performed with the CIP-51 Microcontroller Core on a C8051F005 device. A pseudo-random number generator (based on the *rand()* function) was used to generate input parameters; 10,000 samples were taken for each function. Input parameters for the Sin(), Cos(), and Tan() functions were restricted to the input range -65535 to +65535; inputs for the Sqrt(), Log10() and Log() functions were restricted to non-negative numbers; all other function inputs were limited to valid floating-point numbers. Samples were only counted if the result was a valid floating-point number (no overflows). All times are given in system clocks, where one system clock for the CIP-51 equals one oscillator clock and is independent of oscillator frequency.

Floating-point routine execution times are inputdependent; the table below lists the minimum, maximum, and mean execution times for the various routines. Each routine profile is detailed with an execution time histogram in the following pages. The x-axis represents each specific execution time; the y-axis represents the number of times that execution time occurred (out of 10,000 input samples).

Function	Mean	Minimum	Maximum	Standard 8051 (Mean) [†]	Speed Increase Factor vs. Standard 8051 (Mean)
Addition	173	156	320	1284	7.4
Subtraction	179	160	347	1356	7.6
Multiplication	225	98	307	1368	6.1
Division	877	111	1279	8244	9.4
Comparison	113	112	162	648	5.7
Square Root	2650	2433	3004	23232	8.8

Execution Times for Various Floating-Point Routines (in Oscillator Clocks)

Function	Mean	Minimum	Maximum	Standard 8051 (Mean) [†]	Speed Increase Factor vs. Standard 8051 (Mean)
Sin	2033	823	5558	35136	17.3
Cos	1852	786	5587	35052	18.9
Tan	3707	1280	8001	59592	16.1
ArcSin	4461	3941	9847	83892	18.8
ArcCos	6513	5832	9883	90936	14.0
ArcTan	1810	734	6126	39840	22.0
Exponential	4245	295	6646	39768	9.4
Natural Log	4692	4208	5175	41184	8.8
Common Log	4931	4448	5376	43284	8.8

Execution Times for Various Floating-Point Routines (in Oscillator Clocks)

[†]Based on data taken from the Keil C51 User's Guide v1.97. Statistics in the Keil book are given in CPU machine cycles; the numbers presented here are adjusted to represent the number of oscillator clocks required (1 CPU machine cycle = 12 oscillator clocks for a Standard 8051).

Addition

Mean: 173 Min: 156 Max: 320





Subtraction

Mean: 179 Min: 160 Max: 347





Multiplication

Mean: 225 Min: 98 Max: 307





Division

Mean: 877 Min: 111 Max: 1279





Comparison (a == b)

Mean: 113 Min: 112 Max: 162





Square Root

Mean: 2650 Min: 2433 Max: 3004





Sin

Mean: 2033 Min: 823 Max: 5558





Cos

Mean: 1852 Min: 786 Max: 5587





Tan

Mean: 3707 Min: 1280 Max: 8001





ArcSin

Mean: 4461 Min: 3941 Max: 9847





ArcCos

Mean: 6513 Min: 5832 Max: 9883





ArcTan

Mean: 1810 Min: 734 Max: 6126





Exponential

Mean: 4245 Min: 295 Max: 6646





Natural Log

Mean: 4692 Min: 4208 Max: 5175





Log (Base 10)

Mean: 4931 Min: 4448 Max: 5376





Fixed-Point Characterization

These tests measured the execution time requirements for various fixed-point math functions performed with the CIP-51 Microcontroller Core on a C8051F005 device. A pseudo-random number generator (based on the *rand()* function) was used to generate input parameters; 10,000 samples were taken for each function. All times are given in system clocks, where one system clock for the CIP-51 equals one oscillator clock and is independent of oscillator frequency. Note: all 16-bit routines produced a 16-bit result; all 32-bit routines produced a 32-bit result.

16- and 32-bit division routine execution times are input-dependent; the tables below list the minimum, maximum, and mean execution times for each division routine. Each division routine profile is detailed with an execution time histogram in the following pages. The x-axis represents each specific execution time; the y-axis represents the number of times that execution time occurred (out of 10,000 input samples).

Function	Mean	Minimum	Maximum	Standard 8051 (Mean) [†]	Speed Increase Factor vs. Standard 8051 (Mean)
Addition (signed/unsigned)	12	12	12	72	6
Subtraction (signed/unsigned)	13	13	13	84	6.4
Multiplication (signed/unsigned)	47	47	47	348	7.4
Division (signed)	221	66	252	1692	7.6
Division (unsigned)	194	41	217	1536	7.9

Execution Times for 16-bit Fixed Math Routines (in Oscillator Clocks)

[†]Based on data taken from the Keil C51 User's Guide v1.97. Statistics in the Keil book are given in CPU machine cycles; the numbers presented here are adjusted to represent the number of oscillator clocks required (1 CPU machine cycle = 12 oscillator clocks for a Standard 8051).

Function	Mean	Minimum	Maximum	Standard 8051 (Mean) [†]	Speed Increase Factor vs. Standard 8051 (Mean)
Addition (signed/unsigned)	24	24	24	144	6
Subtraction (signed/unsigned)	25	25	25	156	6.2
Multiplication (signed/unsigned)	141	141	141	1272	9.0
Division (signed)	359	334	795	6768	18.8
Division (unsigned)	331	309	770	5964	18.0

Execution Times for 32-bit Fixed Point Math Routines (in Oscillator Clocks)

[†]Based on data taken from the Keil C51 User's Guide 1.97. Statistics in the Keil book are given in CPU machine cycles; the numbers presented here are adjusted to represent the number of oscillator clocks required (1 CPU machine cycle = 12 oscillator clocks for a Standard 8051).



Signed 16-bit Division

Mean: 221 Min: 66 Max: 252





Unsigned 16-bit Division

Mean: 194 Min: 41 Max: 217





Signed 32-bit Division

Mean: 359 Min: 334 Max: 795





Unsigned 32-bit Division

Mean: 331 Min: 309 Max: 770





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