RL78 Family

RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Low Power Guide (SNOOZE function)

Introduction

This application note explains the electrostatic Capacity Touch measurement that uses the 32-bit Interval Timer (TML32) and the SNOOZE function of CTSU2L installed in RL78/G23.

Target Device

RL78/G23

When applying the sample program covered in this application note to another microcomputer, modify the program according to the specifications for the target microcomputer and conduct an extensive evaluation of the modified program.

Contents

1.   Specification

1.1   Project description

Sample code that this application note describes is confirmed to operate on the RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ). The setting of this project is adjusted to R7F100GSN2DFB implemented on the RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System. Modify the device setting in the project when you use the other device.

1.2   Used Peripherals

Table 1 - 1 lists the used peripherals in the sample code.

Table 1 - 1 Peripherals in the sample code

Used Peripherals	Functions
Capacitive Sensing Unit (CTSU2L)	Measures electrostatic capacitance of the touch sensor.
Data transfer controller (DTC)	- Transfers the set values of the CTSUSO0 and CTSUSO1 registers at the time of touch measurement from RAM to the CTSU register (SFR). - Transfer the count value of the CTSUSC register from the CTSU register (SFR) to RAM.
32-bit interval timer (TML32)	Timer to release STOP mode and transition to SNOOZE mode (measurement cycle: 100 ms).
Logic and event link controller (ELCL)	Interrupt source: Sets INTITL (interval signal detection of 32-bit interval timer) to an event signal and generates an external trigger to transition from STOP mode to SNOOZE mode.

1.3   CPU Operation Mode

Table 1 - 2 lists CPU operation mode used in this sample code.

Table 1 - 2 CPU operation mode

CPU operation mode	Transition condition
STOP mode	In the processing of the RM_TOUCH_ScanStart function, the CAP bit of the CTSUCRAL register is set to "1", the SNZ bit is set to "1", and then the STRT bit is set to "1". After that, transition to the STOP mode by executing the STOP instruction.
SNOOZE mode (touch measurement processing)	When the TML32 interrupt source is generated during STOP mode and the falling edge of the external trigger from ELCL is detected, the MCU transitions to SNOOZE mode.
Normal mode (Touch measurement end processing and Touch On/Off judgment processing)	When the measurement end interrupt occurs, the MCU transitions to the normal mode (CPU processing is executed).

1.4   CTSU Operation Status

Table 1 - 3 lists CTSU operation status used in this sample code.

Table 1 - 3 CTSU operation status

| CTSU operation status [Note]	Transition condition
Operating (during touch measurement in the SNOOZE mode)	Touch measurement start
Suspended (waiting for an external trigger)	Touch measurement stop

Note.   For details of the setting conditions, refer to <CTSU hardware state control> in the RL78/G23 User's Manual: Hardware.

1.5   Project Settings

For details on this project setting, check the component configuration in the Smart Configurator.
Also, in this project, "Use an external trigger" is enabled in QE for Capacitive Touch as shown in Figure 1 - 1.

Figure 1 - 1 Setting to select external trigger in QE for Capacitive Touch
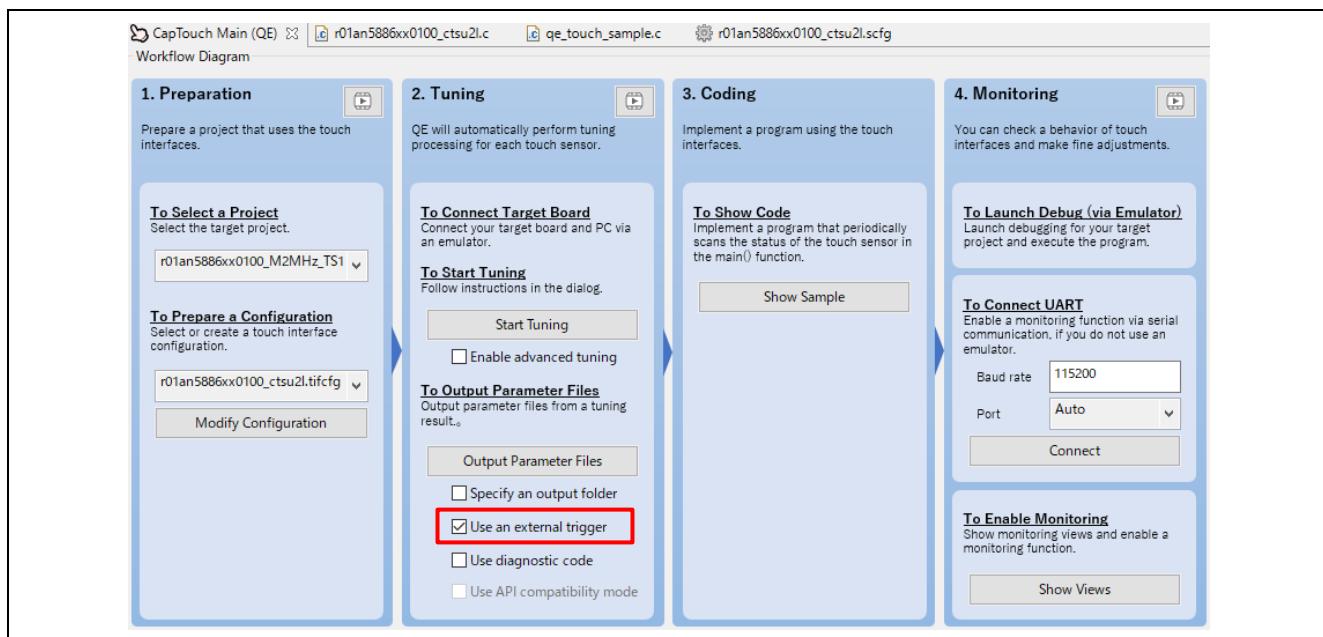
1.6   File Configuration

Table 1 - 4 lists the file added or changed in the sample code generated by Smart Configurator and QE for Capacitive Touch.

Table 1 - 4 Files added or changed in the sample code

File name	Outline	Remarks
r01an5886xx0100_ctsu2l.c	Main processing	Changed file
mcu_clocks.c	Clock setting	Changed the setting value of CMC register (Connection of unused pins for P123 and P124)
qe_touch_sample.c	Touch measurement control processing	Changed file

2. Operation Check Conditions

The sample code contained in this application note has been checked under the conditions listed in the table below.

Table 2 - 1 Operation check conditions

Item	Description
Microcontroller used	RL78/G23 (R7F100GSN2DFB)

Operating frequency	• <u>Main system clock</u>
	    High-speed on-chip oscillator (f_{IH}) : 32 MHz
	• CPU/peripheral hardware clock (f_{CLK}) : 32 MHz
	• <u>Subsystem clock</u>
	    Low-speed on-chip oscillator (f_{IL}) : 32.768 kHz
	    Low-speed peripheral clock frequency (f_{SXP}) : 32.768 kHz

Operating voltage	5.0 V (can be operated at 1.8 V to 5.5 V [Note])
	LVD0 detection voltage: Reset mode
	   At rising edge TYP. 1.69 V (1.64 V to 1.74 V)
	   At falling edge TYP. 1.65 V (1.60 V to 1.70 V)

Target board	RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ)
Integrated Development Environment (e² studio)	e² studio V2021-07 (21.7.0) from Renesas Electronics Corp.
Smart configurator (SC)	V1.1.0 (version: 21.7.0) from Renesas Electronics Corp.
C compiler (e² studio)	CC-RL V1.10.00 from Renesas Electronics Corp.
QE for Capacitive Touch	V2.0.0 from Renesas Electronics Corp.

Note.　When using boost power on (PUMPON bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1) and measurement power-supply voltage = 1.2 V (ATUNE0 bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1). Depending on the power supply voltage (V_{DD}), the available boost power on and measurement power-supply voltage settings are different.

This sample code uses the SIS drivers/middleware and Code Generator shown in Figure 2 - 1.

Figure 2 - 1 Components of Smart Configurator

| Component	Version	Configuration
✅ Board Support Packages. - v1.12 (r_bsp)	1.12	r_bsp(used)
✅ Capacitive Sensing Unit driver. (r_ctsu)	1.10	r_ctsu(used)
✅ Interval Timer	1.0.0	Config_ITL000(ITL000: used)
✅ Ports	1.0.0	Config_PORT(PORT: used)
✅ Touch middleware. (rm_touch)	1.10	rm_touch(used)

3. Software Description

The sample code operates as follows by using the SIS drivers/middleware and Code Generator.

1. After reset release by power-on, RM_TOUCH_Open function is executed to initialize CTSU.

2. Select the event source for the CTSU in the ELCL.

3. By executing the RM_TOUCH_ScanStart function, set the touch measurement setting and SNOOZE function to enable, and then goes to the external trigger wait state.

4. Start the TML32 (measurement cycle: 100 ms).

5. Transition to STOP mode by executing the STOP instruction.

6. When the TML32 interrupt source is generated during STOP mode and the falling edge of the external trigger from ELCL is detected, transition to SNOOZE mode and start touch measurement.

7. When the measurement end interrupt occurs, transition to normal mode to execute CPU processing.

8. Get the measurement results and turn on the LED1 when touch-on is detected. When touch-off is detected, turn off the LED1.

9. Repeat from step 5 to step 8.

3.1 Operation image

Figure 3 - 1 shows CPU operation mode and CTSU operation status according to the process in the sample code.

Figure 3 - 1 Operation image
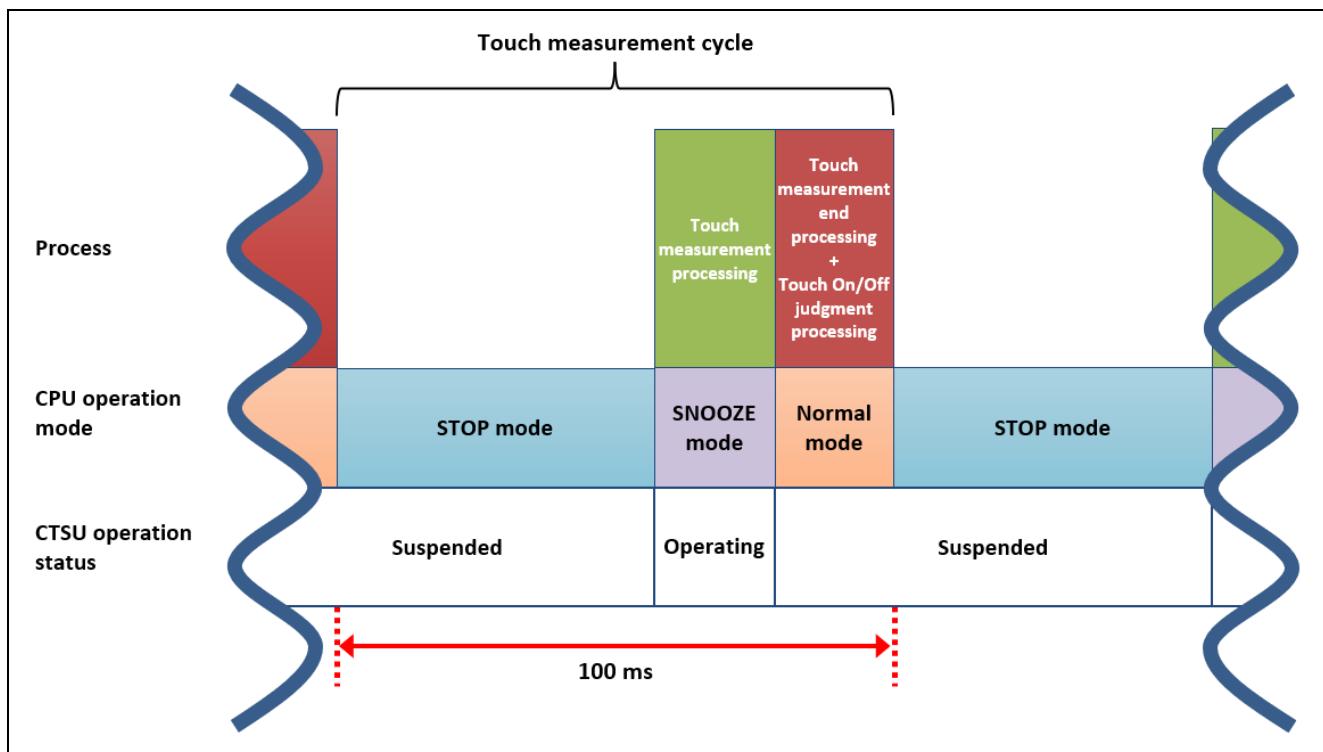
3.2 List of Variables

Table 3 - 1 lists the global variable that is used by this sample program.

Table 3 - 1 Global variable

Type	Variable name	Description
uint64_t	button_status	Variable to check the button status
uint8_t	g_qe_touch_flag	Measurement completion flag

3.3 List of Functions

The specification for functions added or changed in this sample code are shown below.

3.3.1 main()

main()

Synopsis	Main processing.
Declaration	void main(void)
Explanation	Call the qe_touch_main().
Argument	- -
Return value	-

3.3.2 qe_touch_main()

qe_touch_main()

Synopsis	Touch measurement control processing.
Declaration	void qe_touch_main(void)
Explanation	Configure the touch measurement settings to use the SNOOZE function, and then control the touch measurement.
	Touch measurement is repeated, and each time a measurement result is obtained, LED1 is turn on when touch-on is detected, and LED1 is turn off when touch-off is detected.
Argument	- -
Return value	-

4.   Flowcharts

4.1   Main Processing

Figure 4 - 1 shows the flowchart for the main processing.

Figure 4 - 1 Main processing
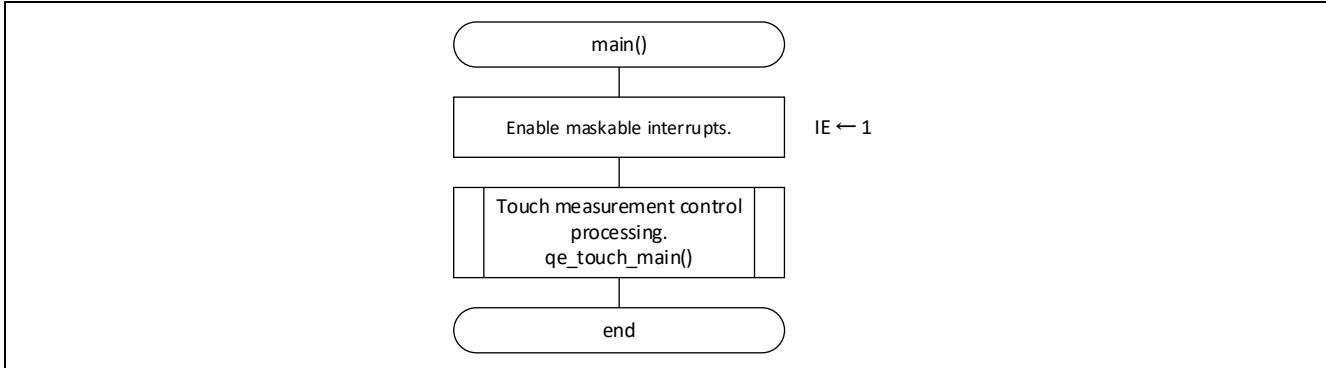
4.2 Touch Measurement Control Processing

Figure 4 - 2, Figure 4 - 3 and Figure 4 - 4 show the flowchart for touch measurement control processing.

Figure 4 - 2 Touch measurement control processing (1/3)
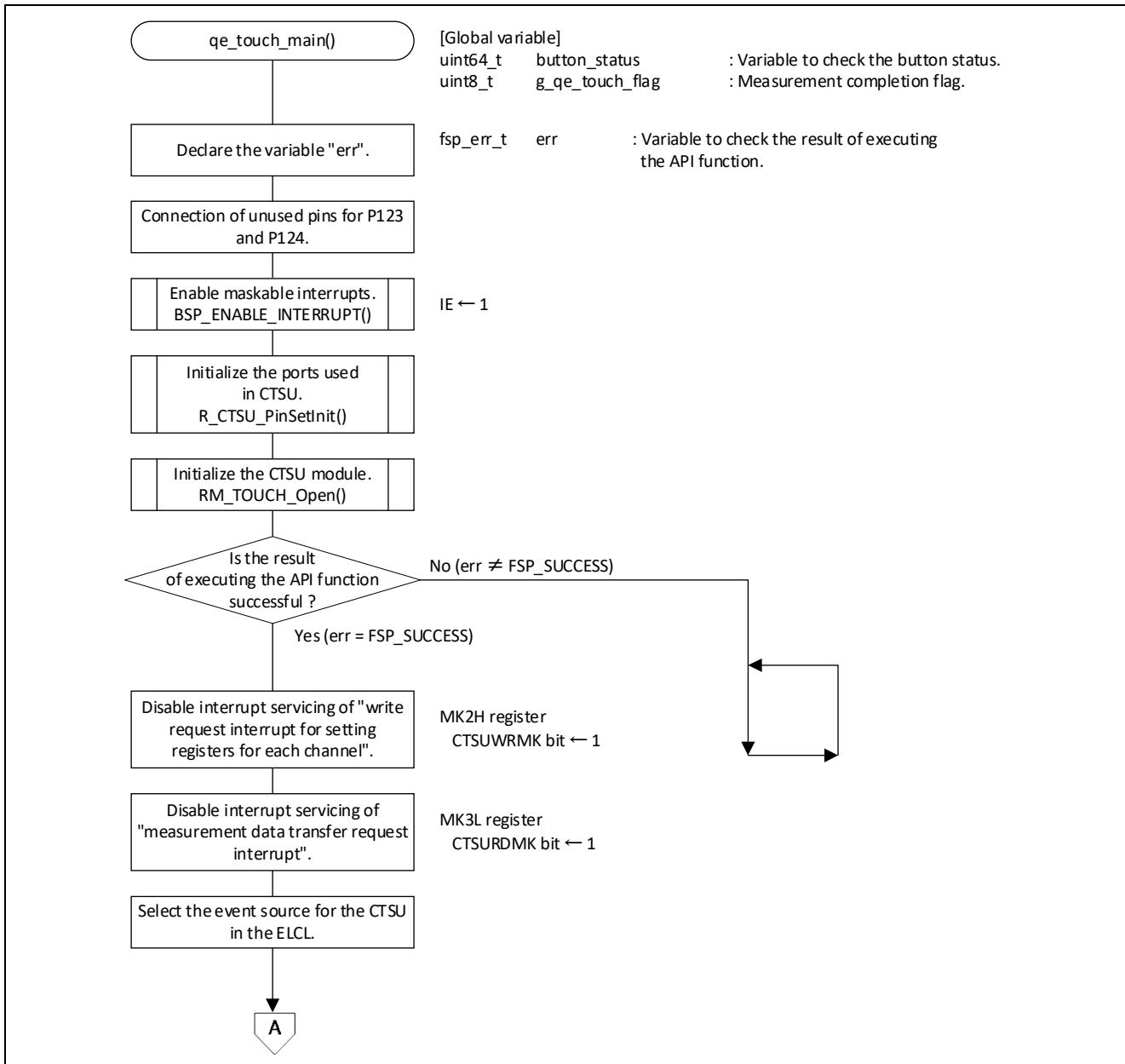
**Figure 4 - 3 Touch measurement control processing (2/3)**
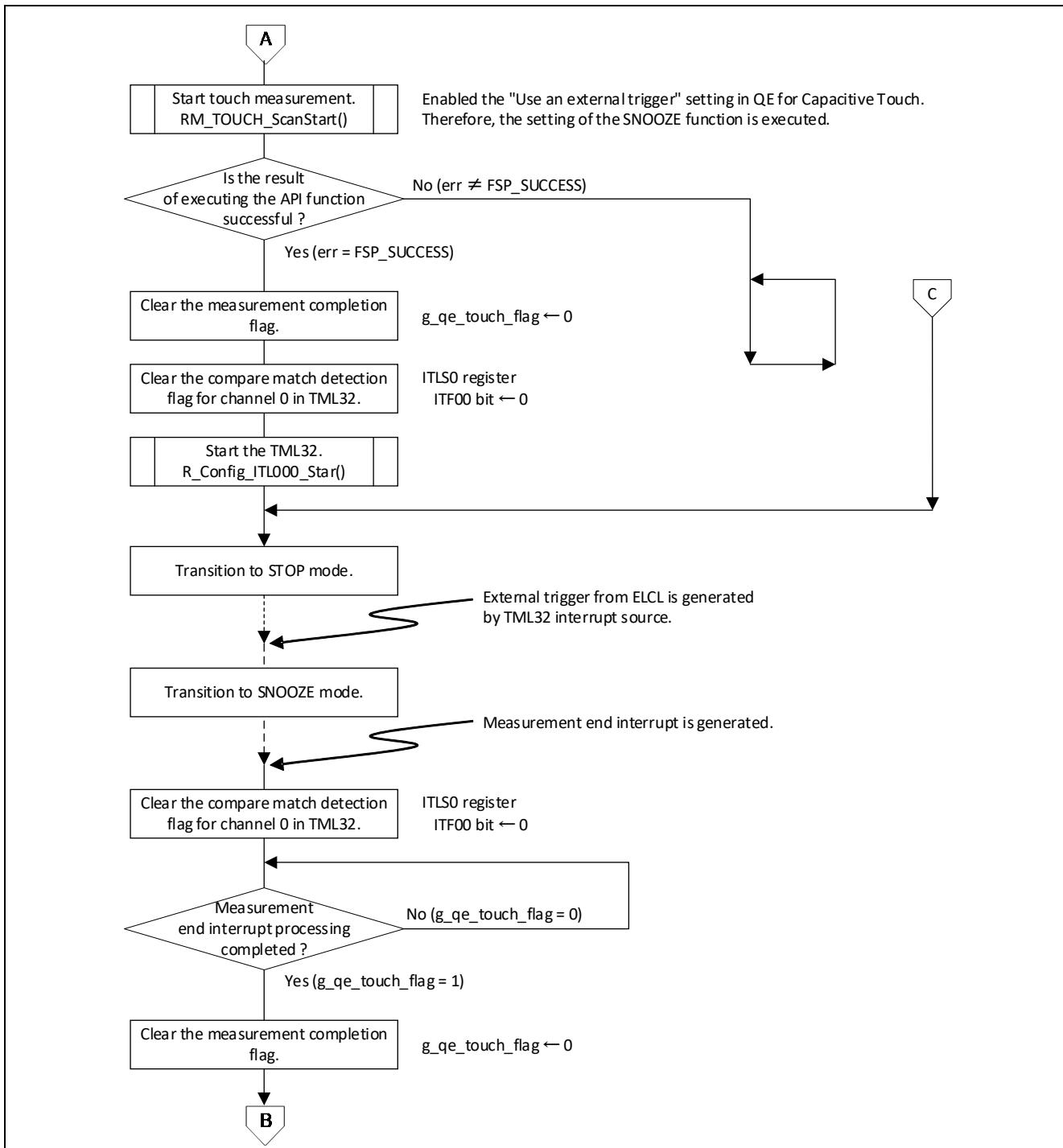
Figure 4 - 4 Touch measurement control processing (3/3)
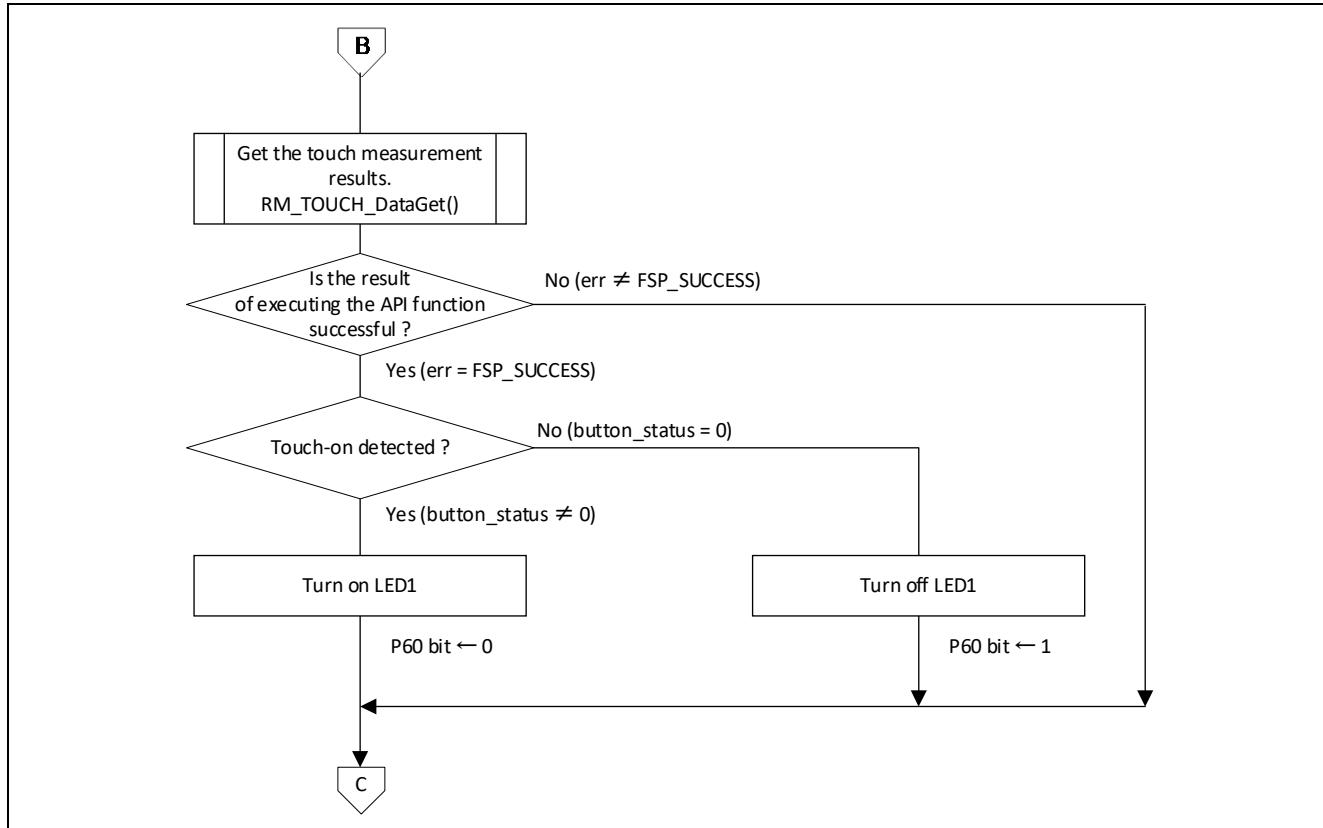
5. Current consumption

The system configuration in the following red box shows a model of the electrostatic capacitive touch low power consumption operation described in this application note.

Figure 5 - 1 Model of the electrostatic capacitive touch low power consumption operation
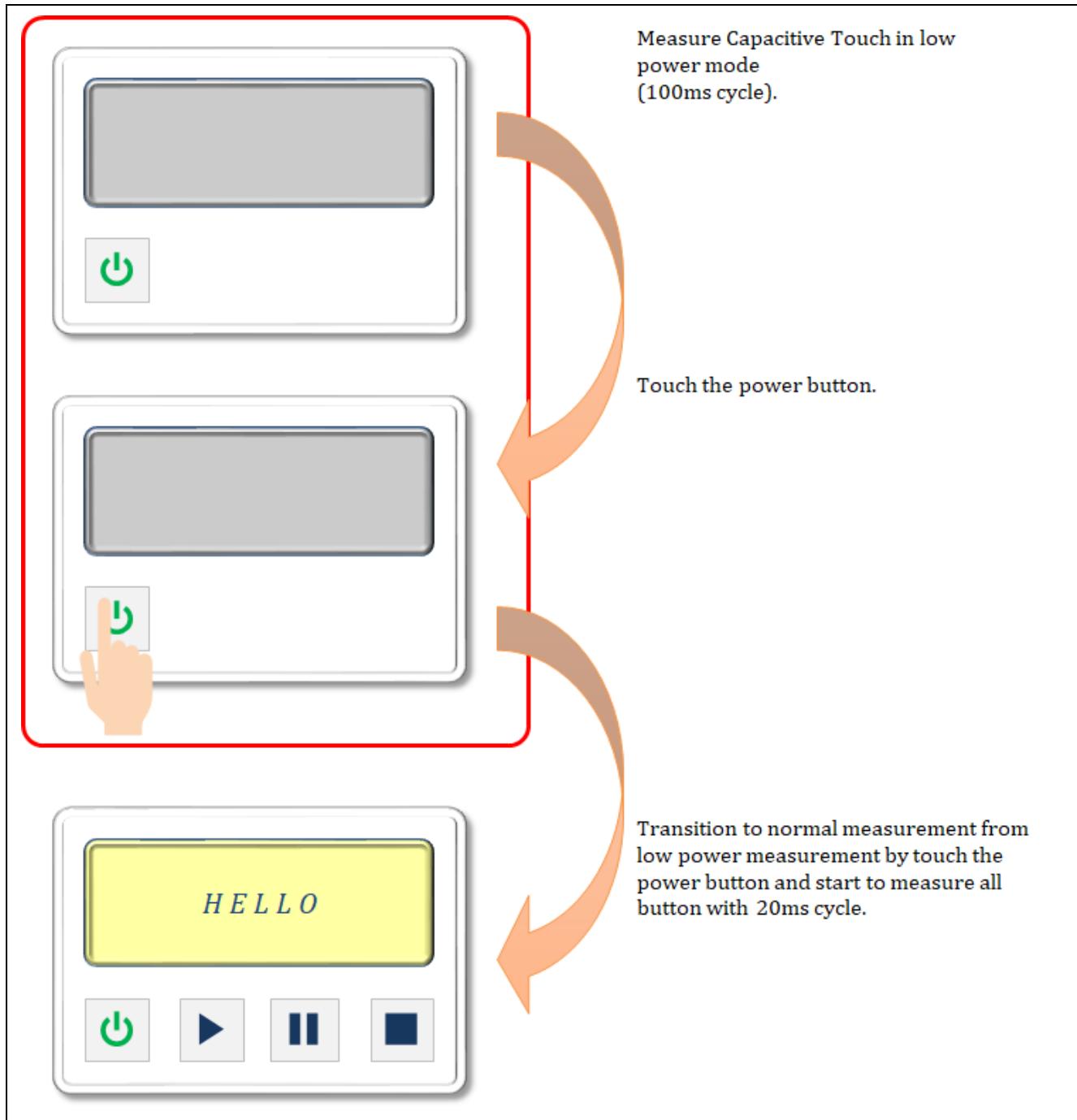
5.1 Operation Conditions

Table 5 - 1 shows operation conditions.

Table 5 - 1 Operation conditions

Item	Description
Touch measurement cycle	100 ms
Sensor drive pulse frequency	2.0 MHz
Touch Sensor (TS pin)	TS06
Measurement mode	Self-capacitance method (MD1 bit of CTSUCRAL register = 0)
Scan mode	Multi-scan mode (MD0 bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Measurement start trigger	External trigger (ELCL) (CAP bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Enables/Disables the SNOOZE function	Enables the SNOOZE function (SNZ bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Boost power	Boost power on (PUMPON bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Measurement power-supply	Measurement power-supply voltage = 1.2 V (ATUNE0 bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Measurement power-supply current adjustment	40 µA (ATUNE1 bit of CTSUCRAL register = 1)
Non-measured pin output select	Low-level output (POSEL[1:0] bits of CTSUCRAH register = 00b)
Sensor drive pulse select	Sensor unit clock (SUCLK) mode (SDPSEL bit of CTSUCRAH register = 1, FCMODE bit of CTSUCRAH register = 1)
Sensor stabilization wait time	32 cycles (SST[7:0] bits CTSUCRBL register = 0x1f)
Measurement count setting	7 (SNUM[7:6] bits CTSUSO1 register = 00b, SNUM[5:0] bits CTSUSO0 register = 00111b)

5.2 Environment to measure current consumption

Figure 5 - 2shows environment to measure current consumption.

Figure 5 - 2 Environment to measure current consumption
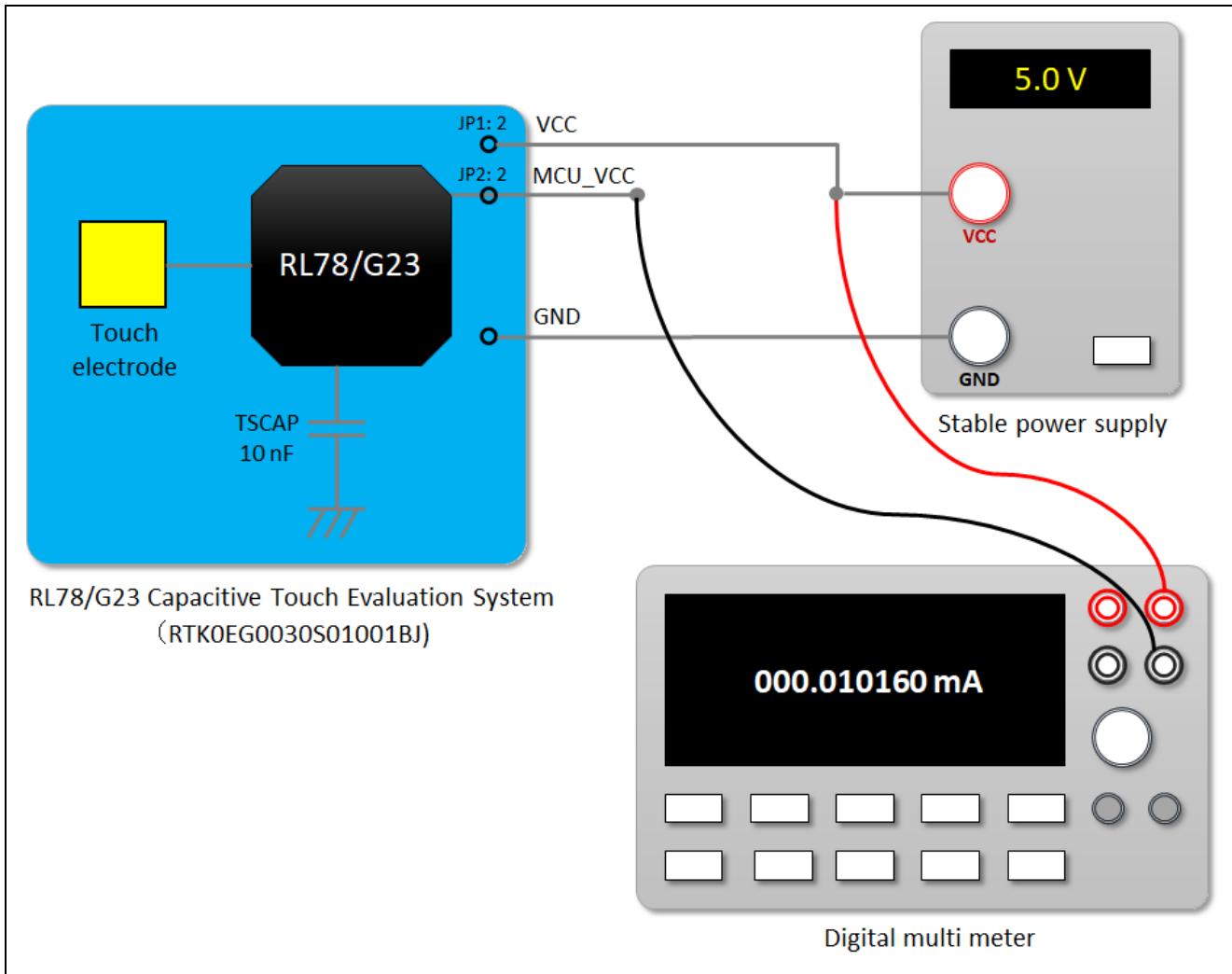
5.3 Equipment and Software

Table 5 - 2 shows equipment and software used in current consumption measurement.

Table 5 - 2 Equipment and software

Type	Name	Use
Digital multi meter	Keithley DMM7510	Measure current consumption.
Stable power supply	KENWOOD PWR18-2TP	Supply power to RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ) CPU board.
Software	Keithley KickStart Software	Get result of current consumption measurement from Keithley DMM7510 and output the result to log-file.

5.4 CPU board jumper settings

Table 5 - 3 shows jumper settings of RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ) CPU board to measure current consumption.

Table 5 - 3 CPU board jumper settings

Position	Circuit group	Jumper	Use
JP1	VCC power	Open	Power supply from JP1: 2
JP2	MCU_VCC power	Open	Measure current consumption
JP3	power supply jumper	Shorted pin 1-2	-
JP4	power supply jumper	Shorted pin 1-2	-

5.5 Setting to measure current consumption

Figure 5 - 3 shows settings of Keithley KickStart to measure current consumption.

Figure 5 - 3 Settings of Keithley KickStart to measure current consumption
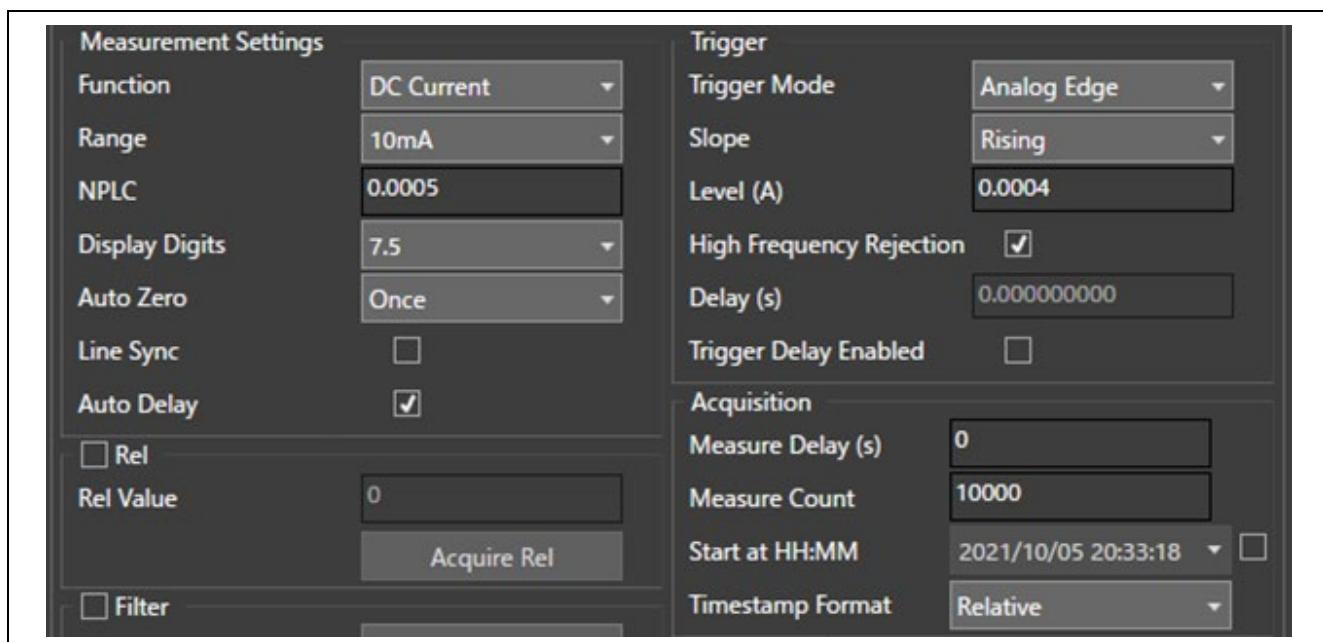
5.6   Current Consumption Measurement Results

Figure 5 - 4 to Figure 5 - 7 show the current consumption waveforms for a series of operations in which the CPU operation mode transitions to STOP mode, SNOOZE mode (touch measurement processing), and Normal mode (Touch measurement end processing and Touch On/Off judgment processing).

Figure 5 - 4 and Figure 5 - 5 show the touch measurement at TS pin 1 channel.

Figure 5 - 6 and Figure 5 - 7 show the touch measurement at TS pin 32 channels.

However, the measurement time is short and the measurement error is large for one channel touch measurement. Therefore, in the program used to calculate the current consumption, the touch measurement is set to 32 channels and the touch measurement cycle is set to 1 second for the current consumption measurement.

Table 5 - 4 shows the results of current consumption measurement at TS pin 32 channels.

Figure 5 - 4 Current consumption waveform: TS pin 1ch measurement (1/2)
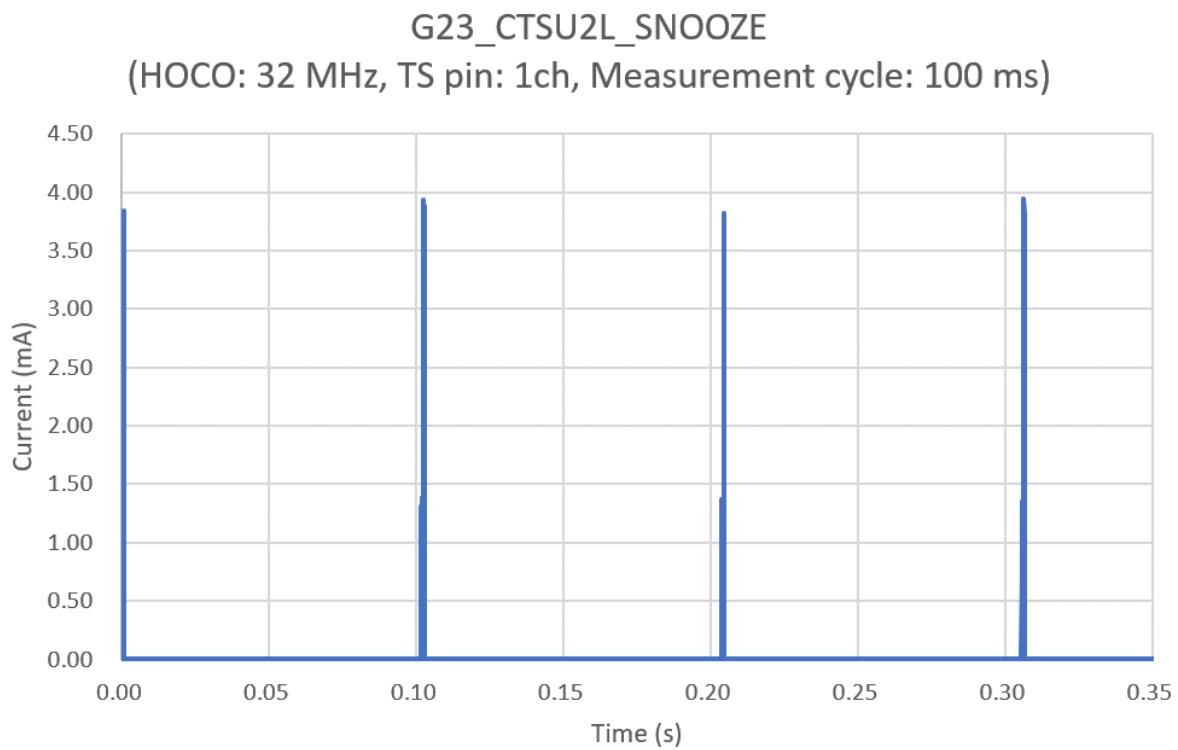
Figure 5 - 5 Current consumption waveform: TS pin 1ch measurement (2/2)
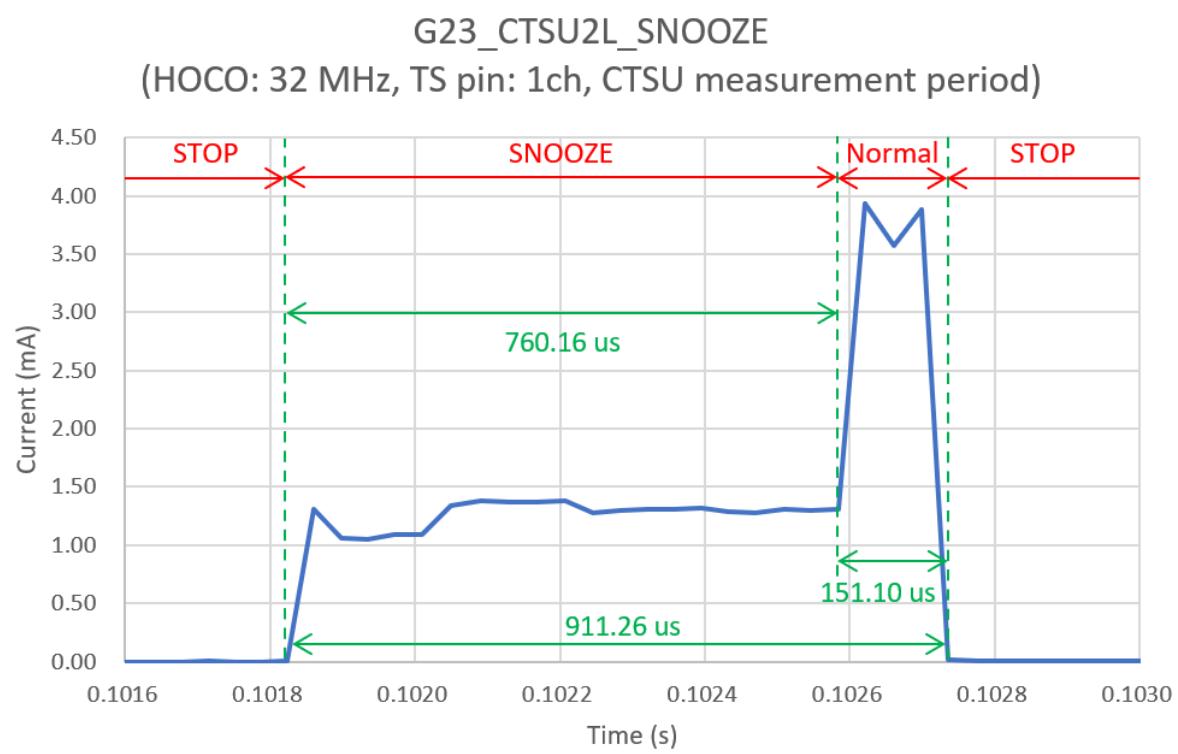
Figure 5 - 6 Current consumption waveform: TS pin 32ch measurement (1/2)
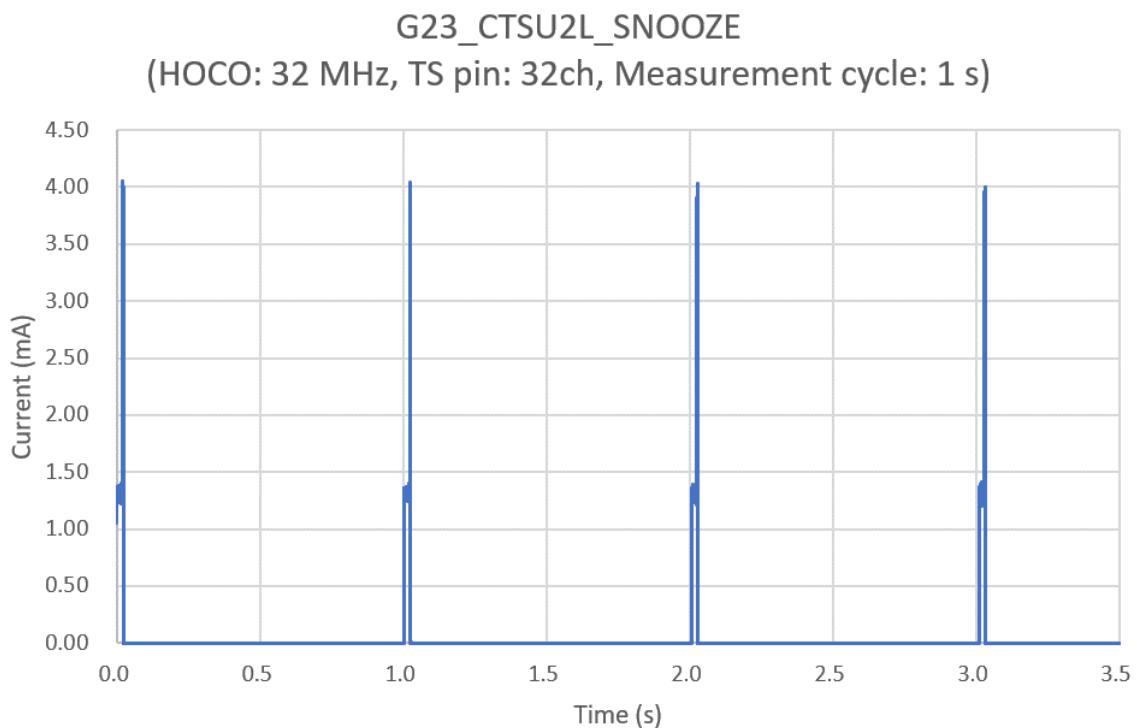
Figure 5 - 7 Current consumption waveform: TS pin 32ch measurement (2/2)
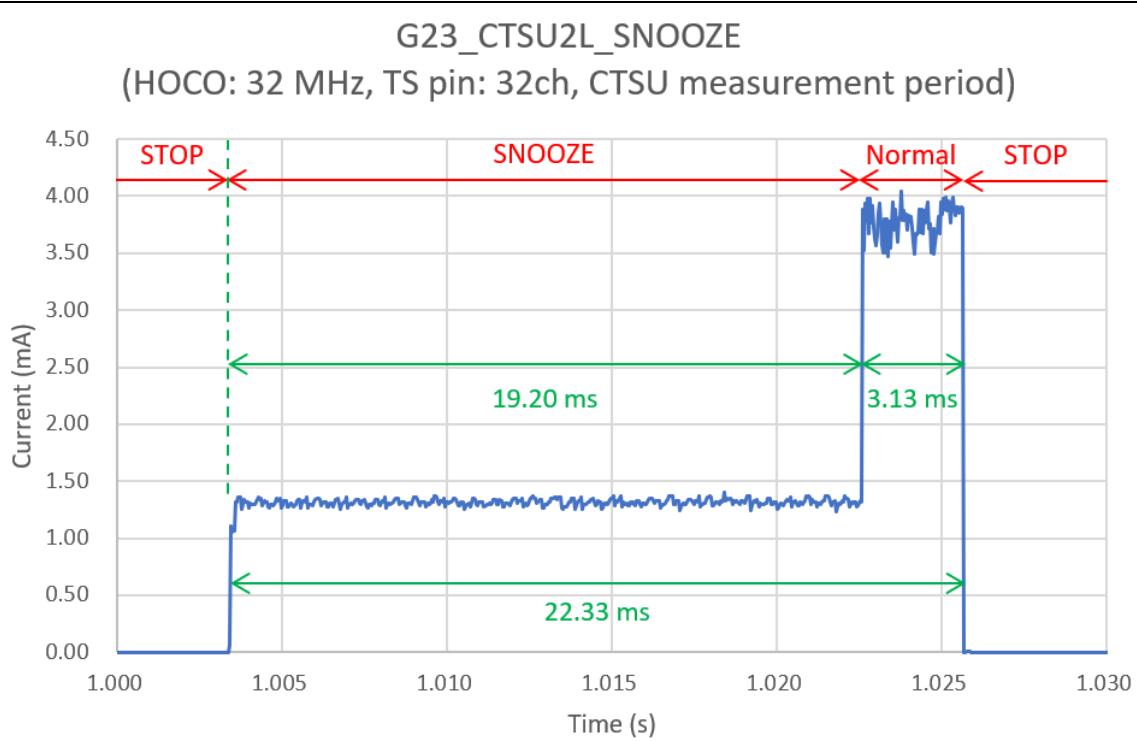
Table 5 - 4 Current consumption measurement results (TS pin 32ch measurement)

CPU operation mode	Time (ms)	Average current consumption (mA)
STOP mode	977.67	0.00084
SNOOZE mode (touch measurement processing) (32ch measurement)	19.20	1.31
Normal mode (Touch measurement end processing and Touch On/Off judgment processing) (32ch measurement)	3.13	3.71

5.7   Current Consumption Calculation Results

Using the measurement values in "Table 5 - 4 Current consumption measurement results (TS pin 32ch measurement)" and converting the TS pin to one channel and the touch measurement cycle to 100 ms, the " average current consumption of 100 ms cycle" is as shown below.

Figure 5 - 8 Operation timing of CTSU
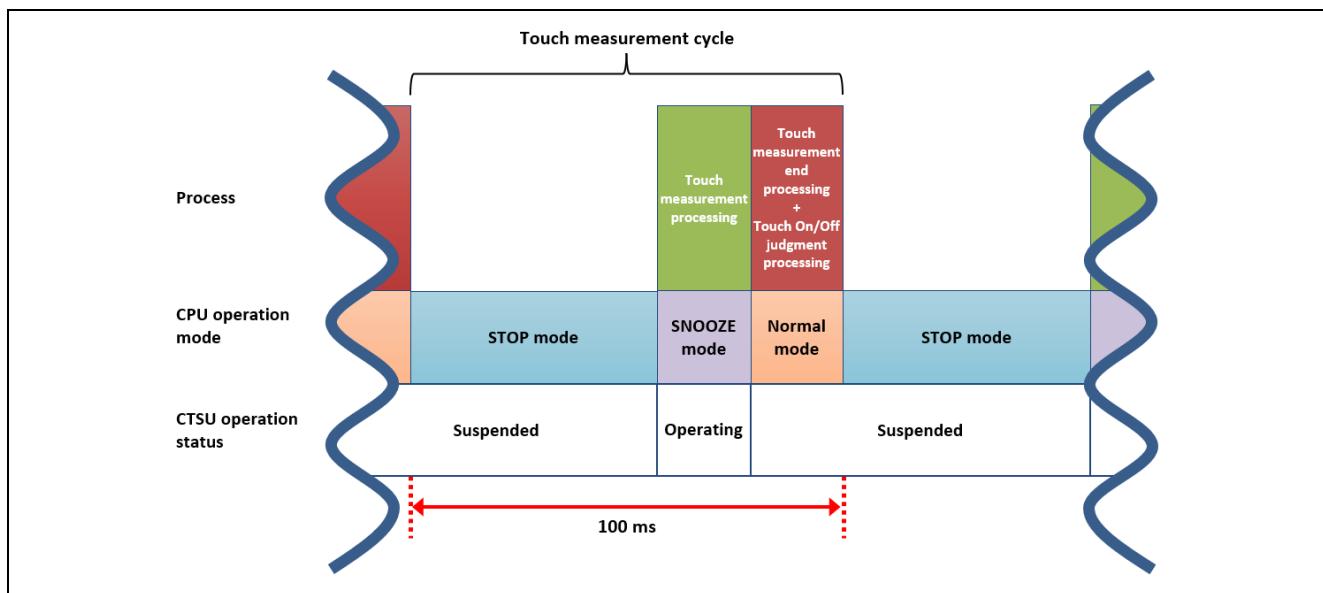
Table 5 - 5 Current consumption calculation results (TS pin 1ch measurement)

CPU operation mode	Time (ms)	Current consumption (uA)
STOP mode	$100 - 0.60 - 0.10$ $= 99.30$	$(0.00084 \times 10^3) \times 99.30$ ≈ 83.41
SNOOZE mode (touch measurement processing) (1ch measurement)	$19.20 / 32$ $= 0.60$	$(1.31 \times 10^3) \times 0.60$ ≈ 786.00
Normal mode (Touch measurement end processing and Touch On/Off judgment processing) (1ch measurement)	$3.13 / 32$ ≈ 0.10	$(3.71 \times 10^3) \times 0.10$ $= 371.00$
Total	100	1240.41

Average current consumption of 100 ms cycle = 1240.41 / 100

$$\approx 12.40 \text{ uA}$$

6. Sample Code

The sample code is available on the Renesas Electronics Website.

7. Points for Caution when Using the Sample Code

7.1 The timing when the touch measurement result is determined

(1) Effect of Positive/Negative Noise Filter

The timing when the touch measurement result is determined depends on the setting of the positive noise filter/negative noise filter. In the sample code, the positive noise filter/negative noise filter cycle is set to "3". Therefore, the RM_TOUCH_DataGet function is called every touch measurement cycle to get the measurement result, and the touch measurement result is determined to be ON/OFF when the ON/OFF status is three times consecutively.

For details about positive noise filter /negative noise filter and how to change the setting value, see the application Note RL78 Family TOUCH Module Software Integration System (R11AN0485).

**(2) Effect of moving average**

The timing when the touch measurement result is determined depends on the setting of the moving average.

In the sample code, the number of times the moving average is set to "4".

The number of times the moving average is set by the variable "num_moving_average" in the qe_touch_config.c file.

Figure 7 - 1 shows the example of moving average processing operation.

Figure 7 - 1 Example of moving average processing operation

Touch detection when the number of times the moving average is set to "4".

Touch start

Touch measurement cycle
1 cycle

Data(n): Measured values for electrostatic capacitance (counted values)
n: Data number

| Data(n) | Data (1) | Data (2) | Data (3) | ... | ... | Data (n-3) | Data (n-2) | Data (n-1) | Data (n) | Data (n+1) | Data (n+2) | Data (n+3) | Data (n+4) | Data (n+5) | ... | ... | ... |

The moving average is calculated using the method shown below.

Running Moving Average (RMA)

$$RMA(n) = \frac{[RMA(n-1) \times (m - 1)] + Data(n)}{m}$$

m: Number of times the moving average

RMA(n)

| RMA(n) = [RMA(n-1) × 3 + Data(n)]/4 | RMA(n+1) = [RMA(n) × 3 + Data(n+1)]/4 | RMA(n+2) = [RMA(n+1) × 3 + Data(n+2)]/4 | RMA(n+3) = [RMA(n+2) × 3 + Data(n+3)]/4 | RMA(n+4) = [RMA(n+3) × 3 + Data(n+4)]/4 | RMA(n+5) = [RMA(n+4) × 3 + Data(n+5)]/4 |

It is assumed that the condition [threshold value < RMA(n)] is reached at this timing, and touch-on is judged.

Touch measurement results

| OFF | OFF | OFF | ON | ON | ON |

Touch-on is judged when the condition [threshold value < RMA(n)] is satisfied.

Threshold value = "Data(n) when touch-off" + Touch Threshold
= "Data(n) when touch-off"
+ ["Data(n) when touch-on" — "Data(n) when touch-off"] × (k %)

Considering the threshold value as shown above,
the timing at which touch-on is judged depends on the setting value of (k %).

When the positive noise filter cycle is set to "3",
the touch measurement result is determined to be ON at this timing after three consecutive ON states.

Therefore, in the above case, the time from "touch start" to "the timing when the touch measurement result is determined to be ON" is 6 cycles of the touch measurement cycle.

8.   Documents for Reference

RL78/Gxx User's Manual: Hardware

  - RL78/G23 User's Manual: Hardware (R01UH0896)

RL78 Family User's Manual: Software (R01US0015)

  (The latest versions of the documents are available on the Renesas Electronics Website.)

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User's Manual: Development Tools

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User's Manual: RL78/G23 Capacitive Touch Evaluation System (RTK0EG0030S01001BJ)

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Application Note RL78 Family Capacitive Touch Sensing Unit (CTSU2L) Operation Explanation (R01AN5744)

Application Note RL78 Family Using QE and SIS to Develop Capacitive Touch Applications (R01AN5512)

Application Note RL78 Family CTSU Module Software Integration System (R11AN0484)

Application Note RL78 Family TOUCH Module Software Integration System (R11AN0485)

Application Note Capacitive Sensor Microcontrollers CTSU Capacitive Touch Electrode Design Guide (R30AN0389)

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

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6. Voltage application waveform at input pin

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

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