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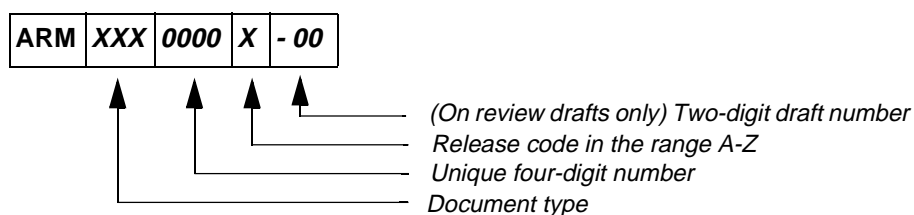
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## Introduction

This chapter provides an introduction to the ARM720T.

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# Introduction

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## 1.1 Overview

ARM720T is a general-purpose 32-bit microprocessor with 8KB cache, enlarged write buffer and Memory Management Unit (MMU) combined in a single chip. The CPU within ARM720T is the ARM7TDMI. The ARM720T is software compatible with the ARM processor family.

ARM720T is a fully static part and has been designed to minimize power requirements. This makes it ideal for portable applications, where both these features are essential.

The ARM720T architecture is based on *Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC)* principles, and the instruction set and related decode mechanism are greatly simplified compared with microprogrammed *Complex Instruction Set Computers (CISC)*.

The on-chip mixed data and instruction cache, together with the write buffer, substantially raise the average execution speed and reduce the average amount of memory bandwidth required by the processor. This allows the external memory to support additional processors or *Direct Memory Access (DMA)* channels with minimal performance loss.

The allocation of virtual addresses with different task ID improves performance in task switching operations with the cache enabled. These relocated virtual addresses are monitored by the EmbeddedICE block.

The MMU supports a conventional two-level, page-table structure and a number of extensions which make it ideal for embedded control, UNIX and object-oriented systems.

The memory interface has been designed to allow the performance potential to be realized without incurring high costs in the memory system. Speed-critical control signals are pipelined to allow system control functions to be implemented in standard low-power logic, and these control signals permit the exploitation of paged mode access offered by industry standard DRAMs.



## 1.2 Block Diagram

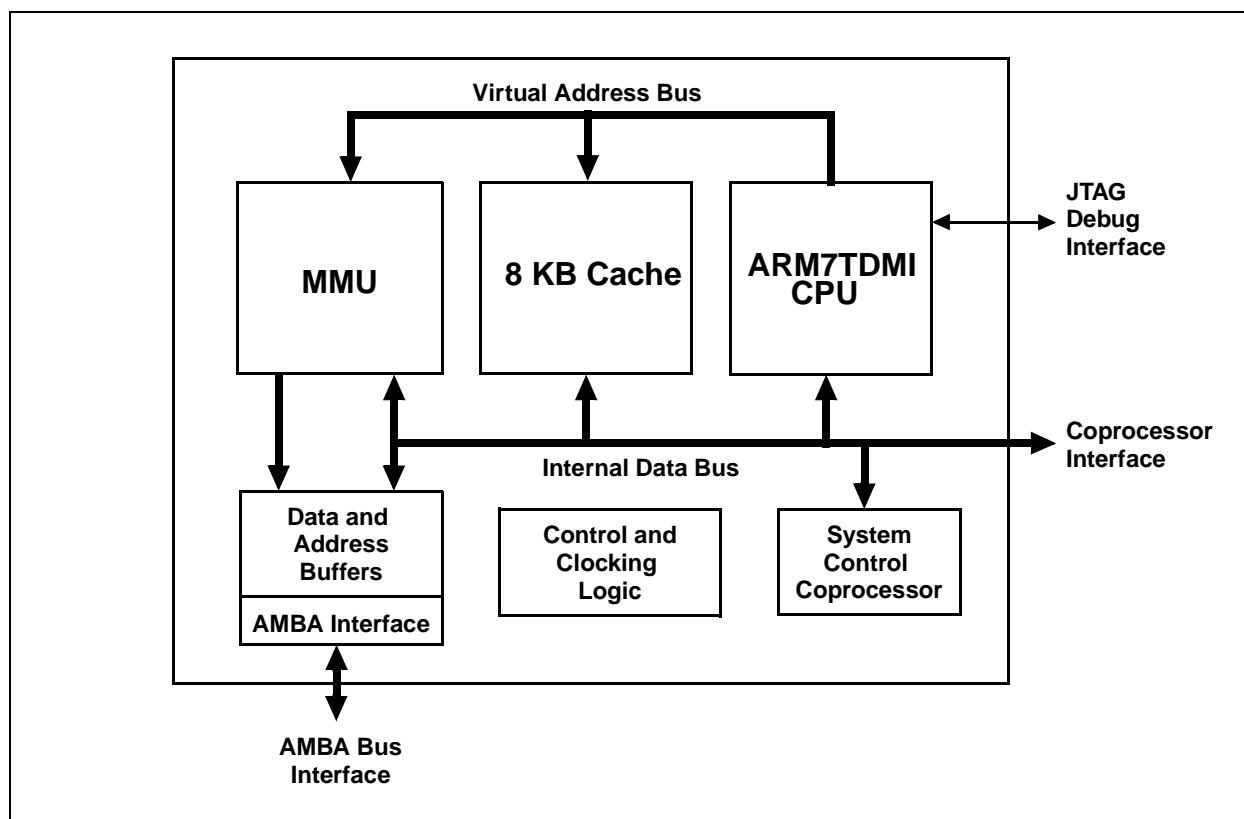


Figure 1-1: ARM720T block diagram

## 1.3 Coprocessors

ARM720T still has an internal coprocessor designated #15 for internal control of the device. See **4.3 Registers** on page 4-4 for a complete description.

ARM720T also includes a port for the connection of on-chip coprocessors. These allow the functionality of the ARM720T to be extended in an architecturally consistent manner.

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## 1.4 Instruction Set Overview

The instruction set comprises ten basic instruction types:

- Two of these make use of the on-chip arithmetic logic unit, barrel shifter and multiplier to perform high-speed operations on the data in a bank of 31 registers, each 32 bits wide.
- Three classes of instruction control the data transfer between memory and the registers:
  - one optimized for flexibility of addressing
  - one for rapid context switching
  - one for swapping data
- Two instructions control the flow and privilege level of execution.
- Three types are dedicated to the control of external coprocessors which allow the functionality of the instruction set to be extended off-chip in an open and uniform way.

The ARM instruction set is a good target for compilers of many different high-level languages. Where required for critical code segments, assembly code programming is also straightforward, unlike some RISC processors which depend on sophisticated compiler technology to manage complicated instruction interdependencies.

## 1.4.1 ARM instruction set

This section gives an overview of the ARM instructions available. For full details of these instructions, please refer to the *ARM Architecture Reference Manual* (ARM DDI 0100).

### Format summary

The ARM instruction set formats are shown below.

	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
Data processing/ PSR Transfer	Cond	0	0	I	Opcode				S	Rn				Rd				Operand 2															
Multiply	Cond	0	0	0	0	0	0	A	S	Rd				Rn				Rs		1	0	0	1	Rm									
Multiply Long	Cond	0	0	0	0	1	U	A	S	RdHi				RdLo				Rn		1	0	0	1	Rm									
Single Data Swap	Cond	0	0	0	1	0	B	0	0	Rn				Rd				0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	Rm							
Branch and Exchange	Cond	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	Rn					
Halfword Data Transfer: register offset	Cond	0	0	0	P	U	0	W	L	Rn				Rd				0	0	0	0	1	S	H	1	Rm							
Halfword Data Transfer: immediate offset	Cond	0	0	0	P	U	1	W	L	Rn				Rd				Offset		1	S	H	1	Offset									
Single Data Transfer	Cond	0	1	I	P	U	B	W	L	Rn				Rd				Offset															
Undefined	Cond	0	1	1																									1				
Block Data Transfer	Cond	1	0	0	P	U	S	W	L	Rn				Register List																			
Branch	Cond	1	0	1	L	Offset																											
Coprocessor Data Transfer	Cond	1	1	0	P	U	N	W	L	Rn				CRd				CP#		Offset													
Coprocessor Data Operation	Cond	1	1	1	0	CP Opc				CRn				CRd				CP#		CP	0	CRm											
Coprocessor Register Transfer	Cond	1	1	1	0	CP Opc				L	CRn				Rd				CP#		CP	1	CRm										
Software Interrupt	Cond	1	1	1	1	Ignored by processor																											
	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	

**Figure 1-2: ARM instruction set formats**

**Note** Some instruction codes are not defined but do not cause the Undefined instruction trap to be taken; for example, a Multiply instruction with bit 6 changed to a 1. These instructions should not be used, as their action may change in future ARM implementations.

# Introduction

## ARM instruction summary

The following table summarizes the ARM instruction set.

Mnemonic	Instruction	Action
ADC	Add with Carry	$Rd := Rn + Op2 + Carry$
ADD	Add	$Rd := Rn + Op2$
AND	AND	$Rd := Rn \text{ AND } Op2$
B	Branch	$R15 := \text{address}$
BIC	Bit Clear	$Rd := Rn \text{ AND NOT } Op2$
BL	Branch with Link	$R14 := R15, R15 := \text{address}$
BX	Branch and Exchange	$R15 := Rn,$ $T \text{ bit} := Rn[0]$
CDP	Coprocessor Data Processing	(Coprocessor-specific)
CMN	Compare Negative	$CPSR \text{ flags} := Rn + Op2$
CMP	Compare	$CPSR \text{ flags} := Rn - Op2$
EOR	Exclusive OR	$Rd := (Rn \text{ AND NOT } Op2)$ $\text{OR } (Op2 \text{ AND NOT } Rn)$
LDC	Load Coprocessor from Memory	Coprocessor load
LDM	Load Multiple Registers	Stack manipulation (Pop)
LDR	Load Register from Memory	$Rd := (\text{address})$
MCR	Move CPU Register to Coprocessor Register	$cRn := rRn \{<op>cRm\}$
MLA	Multiply Accumulate	$Rd := (Rm * Rs) + Rn$
MOV	Move Register or Constant	$Rd := Op2$
MRC	Move from Coprocessor Register to CPU Register	$Rn := cRn \{<op>cRm\}$
MRS	Move PSR Status/Flags to Register	$Rn := PSR$
MSR	Move Register to PSR Status/Flags	$PSR := Rm$
MUL	Multiply	$Rd := Rm * Rs$
MVN	Move Negative Register	$Rd := 0xFFFFFFFF \text{ EOR } Op2$
ORR	OR	$Rd := Rn \text{ OR } Op2$
RSB	Reverse Subtract	$Rd := Op2 - Rn$
RSC	Reverse Subtract with Carry	$Rd := Op2 - Rn - 1 + Carry$
SBC	Subtract with Carry	$Rd := Rn - Op2 - 1 + Carry$

**Table 1-1: ARM instruction summary**

Mnemonic	Instruction	Action
STC	Store Coprocessor Register to Memory	address := CRn
STM	Store Multiple	Stack manipulation (Push)
STR	Store Register to Memory	<address> := Rd
SUB	Subtract	Rd := Rn - Op2
SWI	Software Interrupt	OS call
SWP	Swap Register with Memory	Rd := [Rn], [Rn] := Rm
TEQ	Test Bitwise Equality	CPSR flags := Rn EOR Op2
TST	Test Bits	CPSR flags := Rn AND Op2

**Table 1-1: ARM instruction summary (Continued)**

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## 1.4.2 THUMB Instruction Set

This section gives an overview of the THUMB instructions available. For full details of these instructions, please refer to the *ARM Architecture Reference Manual* (ARM DDI 0100).

### Format summary

The THUMB instruction set formats are shown in the following figure.

		15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Move shifted register	1	0	0	0	Op		Offset5					Rs			Rd		
Add/subtract	2	0	0	0	1	1	I	Op	Rn/offset3			Rs			Rd		
Move/compare/add/subtract immediate	3	0	0	1	Op		Rd			Offset8							
ALU operations	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	Op			Rs			Rd			
Hi register operations/branch exchange	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	Op		H1	H2	Rs/Hs			Rd/Hd		
PC-relative load	6	0	1	0	0	1	Rd			Word8							
Load/store with register offset	7	0	1	0	1	L	B	0	Ro			Rb			Rd		
Load/store sign-extended byte/halfword	8	0	1	0	1	H	S	1	Ro			Rb			Rd		
Load/store with immediate offset	9	0	1	1	B	L	Offset5					Rb			Rd		
Load/store halfword	10	1	0	0	0	L	Offset5					Rb			Rd		
SP-relative load/store	11	1	0	0	1	L	Rd			Word8							
Load address	12	1	0	1	0	SP	Rd			Word8							
Add offset to stack pointer	13	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	S	SWord7						
Push/pop registers	14	1	0	1	1	L	1	0	R	Rlist							
Multiple load/store	15	1	1	0	0	L	Rb			Rlist							
Conditional branch	16	1	1	0	1	Cond				Soffset8							
Software Interrupt	17	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	Value8							
Unconditional branch	18	1	1	1	0	0	Offset11										
Long branch with link	19	1	1	1	1	H	Offset										
		15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

Figure 1-3: THUMB instruction set formats

## THUMB instruction summary

The following table summarizes the THUMB instruction set.

Mnemonic	Instruction	Lo register operand	Hi register operand	Condition codes set
ADC	Add with Carry	✓		✓
ADD	Add	✓	✓	✓(1)
AND	AND	✓		✓
ASR	Arithmetic Shift Right	✓		✓
B	Unconditional Branch	✓		
Bxx	Conditional Branch	✓		
BIC	Bit Clear	✓		✓
BL	Branch and Link			
BX	Branch and Exchange	✓	✓	
CMN	Compare Negative	✓		✓
CMP	Compare	✓	✓	✓
EOR	EOR	✓		✓
LDMIA	Load Multiple	✓		
LDR	Load Word	✓		
LDRB	Load Byte	✓		
LDRH	Load Halfword	✓		
LSL	Logical Shift Left	✓		✓
LDSB	Load Sign-Extended Byte	✓		
LDSH	Load Sign-Extended Halfword	✓		
LSR	Logical Shift Right	✓		✓
MOV	Move Register	✓	✓	✓(2)
MUL	Multiply	✓		✓
MVN	Move Negative Register	✓		✓
NEG	Negate	✓		✓
ORR	OR	✓		✓
POP	Pop Registers	✓		
PUSH	Push Registers	✓		
ROR	Rotate Right	✓		✓

Table 1-2: THUMB instruction summary

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Mnemonic	Instruction	Lo register operand	Hi register operand	Condition codes set
SBC	Subtract with Carry	✓		✓
STMIA	Store Multiple	✓		
STR	Store Word	✓		
STRB	Store Byte	✓		
STRH	Store Halfword	✓		
SWI	Software Interrupt			
SUB	Subtract	✓		✓
TST	Test Bits	✓		✓

**Table 1-2: THUMB instruction summary (Continued)**

- 1 The condition codes are unaffected by the format 5, 12 and 13 versions of this instruction.
- 2 The condition codes are unaffected by the format 5 version of this instruction.



# 2

## Signal Descriptions

This chapter describes the interface signals of ARM720T.

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# Signal Descriptions

## 2.1 AMBA Interface Signals

Name	Type	Source/ Destination	Description
AGNT	In	Arbiter	Access Grant. This signal from the bus arbiter indicates that the bus master is currently the highest priority master requesting the bus. If <b>AGNT</b> is asserted at the end of a transfer ( <b>BWAIT LOW</b> ), the master is granted the bus. <b>AGNT</b> changes during the low phase of <b>BCLK</b> , and remains valid through the high phase.
AREQ	Out	Arbiter	Access Request This signal indicates that the master requires the bus. It changes during the high phase of <b>BCLK</b> . This signal is intended for use where the ARM720T is not the lowest priority or default bus master.
BA[31:0]	Out	Current bus master	Bus Address. This is the system address bus
BCLK	In		System (bus) Clock This clock times all bus transfers.
BD[31:0]	InOut	Bus master	Bidirectional system data bus This is the data bus is driven by the current bus master during write cycles, and by the appropriate bus slave during read cycles.
BERROR	InOut	System decoder and current bus master	Bus Error This signal indicates a transfer error by the selected bus slave using the <b>BERROR</b> signal. When <b>BERROR</b> is HIGH, a transfer error has occurred. When <b>BERROR</b> is LOW, the transfer is successful. This signal is also used in combination with the <b>BLAST</b> signal to indicate a bus retract operation.
BLAST	InOut	System decoder and current bus master	Bus Class This signal is driven by the selected slave to indicate if the current transfer should be the last of a burst sequence. When <b>BLAST</b> is HIGH the next bus transfer must allow for sufficient time for address decoding. When <b>BLAST</b> is LOW, the next transfer may continue as a burst sequence. This signal is also used in combination with the <b>BERROR</b> signal to indicate a bus retract operation.
BLOK	Out	Arbiter	Bus Clock When HIGH, this signal indicates that the following bus transfer is to be indivisible and no other bus master should be given access to the bus.
BnRES	In	Reset state machine	Bus Reset This signal indicates the reset status of the bus.
BPROT[1:0]	Out	System decoder	Bus Protections These signals provide additional information about the transfer being performed. All write cycles are indicated as being Supervisor accesses. These signals have the same timing as the <b>BA</b> signals.

Table 2-1: ASB signal descriptions

# Signal Descriptions

Name	Type	Source/ Destination	Description
<b>BSIZE[1:0]</b>	Out	Current bus master	<b>Bus Size</b> These signals indicate the size of the transfer, which may be byte, halfword or word. These signals have the same timing as the address bus.
<b>BTRAN[1:0]</b>	Out	Bus master	<b>Bus Transaction Type</b> These signals indicate the type of the next transaction which may be address-only, nonsequential or sequential. These signals are driven when <b>AGNT</b> is asserted, and are valid during the high phase of <b>BCLK</b> before the transfer to which they refer.
<b>BWAIT</b>	InOut	System decoder and current bus master	<b>Bus Wait</b> This signal is driven by the selected slave to indicate if the current transfer may complete. If <b>BWAIT</b> is HIGH, a further bus cycle is required. If <b>BWAIT</b> is LOW, the current transfer may complete in the current bus cycle.
<b>BWRITE</b>	InOut	Current bus master	<b>Bus Write</b> When HIGH, this signal indicates a bus write cycle and when LOW, a read cycle. This signal has the same timing as the address bus.
<b>DSEL</b>	In	System decoder	<b>Slave Select</b> This signal puts the ARM core into a test mode so that vectors can be written in and out of the core.

*Table 2-1: ASB signal descriptions (Continued)*

# Signal Descriptions

## 2.2 Coprocessor Interface Signals

Name	Type	Description
CPCLK	Out	Coprocessor Clock This clock controls the operation of the coprocessor interface.
CPDATA[31:0]	InOut	Coprocessor Data Bus Data is transferred to and from the co-processor using this bus. Data is valid on the falling edge of <b>CPCLK</b> .
CPDBE	In	Coprocessor Data Bus Enable This signal when HIGH, indicates that the co-processor intends to drive the co-processor data bus, <b>CPDATA</b> . If the coprocessor interface is not to be used then this signal should be tied LOW.
CPnWAIT	Out	Coprocessor Not Wait The coprocessor clock <b>CPCLK</b> is qualified by <b>CPnWAIT</b> to allow the ARM720T to control the transfer of data on the coprocessor interface.
CPTESTREAD	In	Coprocessor Test Read This signal is used for test of a Piccolo coprocessor (if attached) and should only be used with the ARM720T held in reset. When HIGH, it enables DB to be driven on to <b>CPDATA</b> , and should normally be held LOW. It must never be asserted at the same time as <b>CPTESTWRITE</b> .
CPTESTWRITE	In	Coprocessor Test Write This signal is used for test of a Piccolo coprocessor (if attached) and should only be used with the ARM720T held in reset. When HIGH, it enables DB to be driven on to <b>CPDATA</b> , and should normally be held LOW. It must never be asserted at the same time as <b>CPTESTREAD</b> .
EXTCPA	In	External Coprocessor Absent A coprocessor that is capable of performing the operation that ARM720T is requesting (by asserting <b>nCPI</b> ) should take <b>EXTCPA</b> LOW immediately. If <b>EXTCPA</b> is HIGH at the end of the low phase of the cycle in which <b>nCPI</b> went LOW, ARM720T aborts the Coprocessor instruction and take the undefined instruction trap. If <b>EXTCPA</b> is LOW and remains low, ARM720T busy-waits until <b>EXTCPB</b> is LOW and then completes the coprocessor instruction.
EXTCPB	In	External Coprocessor Busy A coprocessor that is capable of performing the operation that ARM720T is requesting (by asserting <b>nCPI</b> ), but cannot commit to starting it immediately, should indicate this by driving <b>EXTCPB</b> HIGH. When the coprocessor is ready to start it should take <b>EXTCPB</b> LOW. ARM720T samples <b>EXTCPB</b> at the LOW phases of each cycle in which <b>nCPI</b> is LOW.

Table 2-2: Coprocessor interface signal descriptions

# Signal Descriptions

Name	Type	Description
nOPC	In	Not OPcode Fetch When LOW, this signal indicates that the processor is fetching an instruction from memory. When HIGH, data (if present) is being transferred. This signal is used by the coprocessor to track the ARM pipeline.
nCPI	Out	Not Coprocessor Instruction When LOW, this signal indicates that the ARM720T is executing a coprocessor instruction.
nUSER	Out	Not User Mode When LOW, this signal indicates that the processor is in user mode. It is used by a coprocessor to qualify instructions.
TBIT	Out	Thumb Mode This signal, when HIGH, indicates that the processor is executing the THUMB instruction set. When LOW, the processor is executing the ARM instruction set.

**Table 2-2: Coprocessor interface signal descriptions (Continued)**

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## 2.3 JTAG Signals

Name	Type	Description
HIGHZ	Out	High Z This signal denotes that the <b>HIGHZ</b> instruction has been loaded into TAP controller.
IR[3:0]	Out	TAP Instruction Register These signals reflect the current instruction loaded into the TAP controller instruction register. The signals change on the falling edge of <b>XTCK</b> when the TAP state machine is in the <b>UPDATEDR</b> state. These signals may be used to allow more scan chains to be added using the ARM720T TAP controller.
RSTCLKBS	Out	Reset Boundary Scan Clock This signal denotes that either the TAP controller state machine is in the RESET state or that <b>XNTRST</b> has been asserted. This may be used to reset boundary scan cells outside the ARM720T
SCREG[3:0]	Out	Scan Chain Register These signals reflect the ID number of the scan chain currently selected by the TAP controller. These signals change on the falling edge of <b>XTCK</b> when the TAP state machine is in the UPDATE-DR state.
SDINBS	Out	Boundary Scan Serial Data In This signal is the serial data to be applied to an external scan chain.
SDOUTBS	Out	Boundary Scan Serial Data Out This signal is the serial data from an external scan chain. It allows a single <b>XTDO</b> port to be used. If an external scan chain is not connected, this input should be tied LOW.
TAPSM[3:0]	Out	Tap Controller Status These signals represent the current state of the TAP controller machine. These signals change on the rising edge of <b>XTCK</b> and may be used to allow more scan chains to be added using the ARM720T TAP controller.
TCK1	Out	Test Clock 1 This clock represents the HIGH phase of <b>XTCK</b> . <b>TCK1</b> is HIGH when <b>XTCK</b> is HIGH. This signal may be used to allow more scan chains to be added using the ARM720T TAP controller.
TCK2	Out	Test Clock 2 This clock represents the LOW phase of <b>XTCK</b> . <b>TCK2</b> is HIGH when <b>XTCK</b> is LOW. This signal may be used to allow more scan chains to be added using the ARM720T TAP controller. <b>TCK2</b> is the non-overlapping complement of <b>TCK1</b> .

*Table 2-3: JTAG signal descriptions*

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Name	Type	Description
<b>XnTDOEN</b>	Out	Not Test Data Out Output Enable When LOW, this signal denotes that serial data is being driven out on the <b>XTDO</b> output.
<b>XNTRST</b>	In	Not Test Reset When LOW, this signal resets the JTAG interface.
<b>XTCK</b>	In	Test Clock This signal is the JTAG test clock.
<b>XTDI</b>	In	Test Data In JTAG test data in signal.
<b>XTDO</b>	Out	Test Data Out JTAG test data out signal.
<b>XTMS</b>	In	Test Mode select JTAG test mode select signal.

**Table 2-3: JTAG signal descriptions (Continued)**

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## 2.4 Debugger Signals

Name	Type	Description
<b>BREAKPOINT</b>	In	Breakpoint This signal allows external hardware to halt execution of the processor for debug purposes. When HIGH, this causes the current memory access to be breakpointed. If memory access is an instruction fetch, the core enters debug state if the instruction reaches the execute stage of the core pipeline. If the memory access is for data, the core enters the debug state after the current instruction completes execution. This allows extension of the internal breakpoints provided by the EmbeddedICE module.
<b>COMMRX</b>	Out	Communication Receive Empty When HIGH, this signal denotes that the comms channel receive buffer is empty.
<b>COMMTX</b>	Out	Communication Transmit Empty When HIGH, this signal denotes that the comms channel transmit buffer is empty.
<b>DBGACK</b>	Out	Debug Acknowledge When HIGH, this signal denotes that the ARM is in debug state.
<b>DBGEN</b>	In	Debug Enable This signal allows the debug features of ARM720T to be disabled. This signal should be LOW if debug is not required.
<b>DBGRQ</b>	In	Debug Request This signal causes the core to enter debug state after executing the current instruction. This allows external hardware to force the core into debug state, in addition to the debugging features provided by the EmbeddedICE module.
<b>EXTERN [1:0]</b>	In	External Condition These signals allow breakpoints and/or watchpoints to depend on an external condition.
<b>RANGEOUT[1:0]</b>	Out	Range Out These signals indicate that the relevant EmbeddedICE watchpoint register has matched the conditions currently present on the address, data and control buses. These signals are independent of the state of the watchpoint enable control bits.

*Table 2-4: Debugger signal descriptions*



## 2.5 Miscellaneous Signals

Name	Type	Source/ Destination	Description
<b>BIGEND</b>	Out	Configuration Input	Big-endian Format When this signal is HIGH, the processor treats bytes in memory as being in big-endian format. When it is LOW, memory is treated as little-endian.
<b>FCLK</b>	In	External Clock source	Fast Clock input This clock is used to clock the ARM core when <b>Xfastbus</b> is LOW. During testing, the signal allows efficient testing of the RAM, TAG and MMU blocks.
<b>XFASTBUS</b>	In	Configuration Input	Bus clocking Mode Configuration Signal When HIGH the ARM720T operates from a single clock, <b>BCLK</b> . When LOW selects standard mode operating from two clocks, <b>BCLK</b> and <b>FCLK</b> .
<b>XnFIQ</b>	In	Interrupt controller	ARM Fast Interrupt Request Signal
<b>XnIRQ</b>	In	Interrupt controller	ARM Interrupt Request Signal The interrupt controller mixes several interrupt sources, and produces <b>XnIRQ</b> .
<b>XSnA</b>	In	Configuration Input	Synchronous/not Asynchronous Configuration Pin In standard ARM bus mode this signal determines the bus interface mode and should be wired HIGH or LOW depending on the desired relationship between <b>FCLK</b> and <b>BCLK</b> . See <b>10.3 Standard Mode</b> on page 10-4. This pin is ignored when operating with the <b>fastbus</b> extension.

**Table 2-5: Miscellaneous signal descriptions**

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## 3.1 Processor Operating States

From the programmer's point of view, the ARM720T can be in one of two states:

<i>ARM state</i>	which executes 32-bit, word-aligned ARM instructions.
<i>THUMB state</i>	which operates with 16-bit, halfword-aligned THUMB instructions. In this state, the PC uses bit 1 to select between alternate halfwords.

**Note** *Transition between these two states does not affect the processor mode or the contents of the registers.*

### 3.1.1 Switching state

#### Entering THUMB state

Entry into THUMB state can be achieved by executing a BX instruction with the state bit (bit 0) set in the operand register.

Transition to THUMB state also occurs automatically on return from an exception (IRQ, FIQ, UNDEF, ABORT, SWI etc.), if the exception was entered with the processor in THUMB state.

#### Entering ARM state

Entry into ARM state happens:

- On execution of the BX instruction with the state bit clear in the operand register.
- On the processor taking an exception (IRQ, FIQ, RESET, UNDEF, ABORT, SWI etc.). In this case, the PC is placed in the exception mode's link register, and execution starts at the exception's vector address.

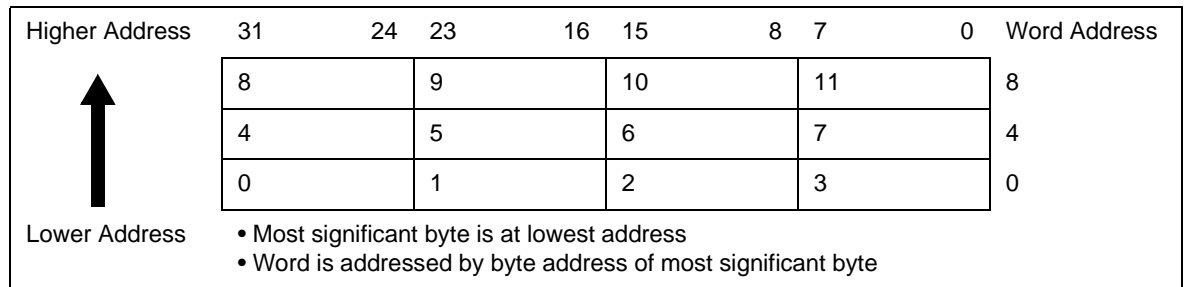
## 3.2 Memory Formats

The bigend bit in the Control Register selects whether the ARM720T treats words in memory as being stored in big-endian or little-endian format. See **Chapter 4, Configuration** for more information on the Control Register.

ARM720T views memory as a linear collection of bytes numbered upwards from zero. Bytes 0 to 3 hold the first stored word, bytes 4 to 7 the second and so on. ARM720T can treat words in memory as being stored either in big-endian or little-endian format.

### 3.2.1 Big-endian format

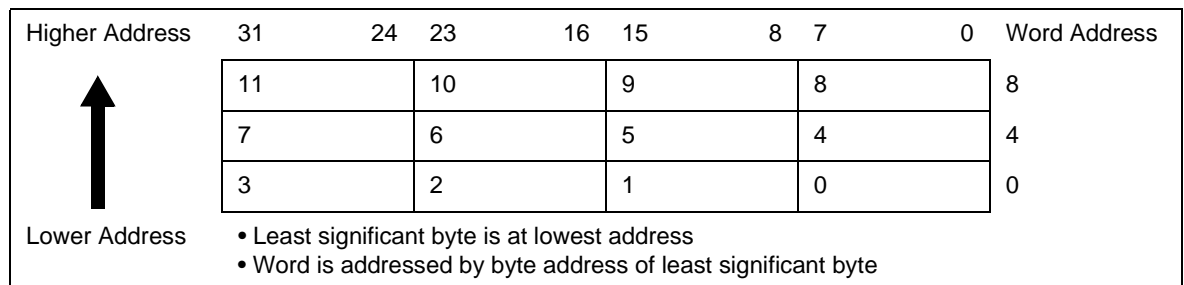
In big-endian format, the most significant byte of a word is stored at the lowest numbered byte and the least significant byte at the highest numbered byte. Byte 0 of the memory system is therefore connected to data lines 31 through 24.



**Figure 3-1: Big-endian address of bytes within words**

### 3.2.2 Little-endian format

In little-endian format, the lowest numbered byte in a word is considered the word's least significant byte, and the highest numbered byte the most significant. Byte 0 of the memory system is therefore connected to data lines 7 through 0.



**Figure 3-2: Little-endian addresses of bytes with words**

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## 3.3 Instruction Length, Data Types, and Operating Modes

### 3.3.1 Instruction length

Instructions are either 32 bits long (in ARM state) or 16 bits long (in THUMB state).

### 3.3.2 Data types

ARM720T supports byte (8-bit), halfword (16-bit) and word (32-bit) data types. Words must be aligned to 4-byte boundaries and half words to 2-byte boundaries.

### 3.3.3 Operating modes

ARM720T supports seven modes of operation:

Mode	Type	Description
User	(usr)	The normal ARM program execution state
FIQ	(fiq)	Designed to support a data transfer or channel process
IRQ	(irq)	Used for general-purpose interrupt handling
Supervisor	(svc)	Protected mode for the operating system
Abort mode	(abt)	Entered after a data or instruction prefetch abort
System	(sys)	A privileged user mode for the operating system
Undefined	(und)	Entered when an undefined instruction is executed

**Table 3-1: ARM720T modes of operation**

#### Changing modes

Mode changes may be made under software control, or may be brought about by external interrupts or exception processing. Most application programs execute in User mode. The non-User modes—known as *privileged modes*—are entered in order to service interrupts or exceptions, or to access protected resources.

## 3.4 Registers

ARM720T has a total of 37 registers:

- 31 general-purpose 32-bit registers
- six status registers

but these cannot all be seen at once. The processor state and operating mode dictate which registers are available to the programmer.

### 3.4.1 The ARM state register set

In ARM state, 16 general registers and one or two status registers are visible at any one time. In privileged (non-User) modes, mode-specific banked registers are switched in.

**Figure 3-3: Register organization in ARM state** on page 3-6 shows which registers are available in each mode: the banked registers are marked with a shaded triangle.

The ARM state register set contains 16 directly accessible registers: R0 to R15. All of these except R15 are general-purpose, and may be used to hold either data or address values. In addition to these, R16 is used to store status information:

Register 14	is used as the subroutine link register. This receives a copy of R15 when a Branch and Link (BL) instruction is executed. At all other times it may be treated as a general-purpose register. The corresponding banked registers R14_svc, R14_irq, R14_fiq, R14_abt and R14_und are similarly used to hold the return values of R15 when interrupts and exceptions arise, or when Branch and Link instructions are executed within interrupt or exception routines.
Register 15	holds the Program Counter (PC). In ARM state, bits [1:0] of R15 are zero and bits [31:2] contain the PC. In THUMB state, bit [0] is zero and bits [31:1] contain the PC.
Register 16	is the CPSR (Current Program Status Register). This contains condition code flags and the current mode bits.

#### Interrupt Modes

FIQ mode has seven banked registers mapped to R8-14 (R8\_fiq-R14\_fiq). In ARM state, many FIQ handlers do not need to save any registers. User, IRQ, Supervisor, Abort and Undefined modes each have two banked registers mapped to R13 and R14, allowing each of these modes to have a private stack pointer and link registers.

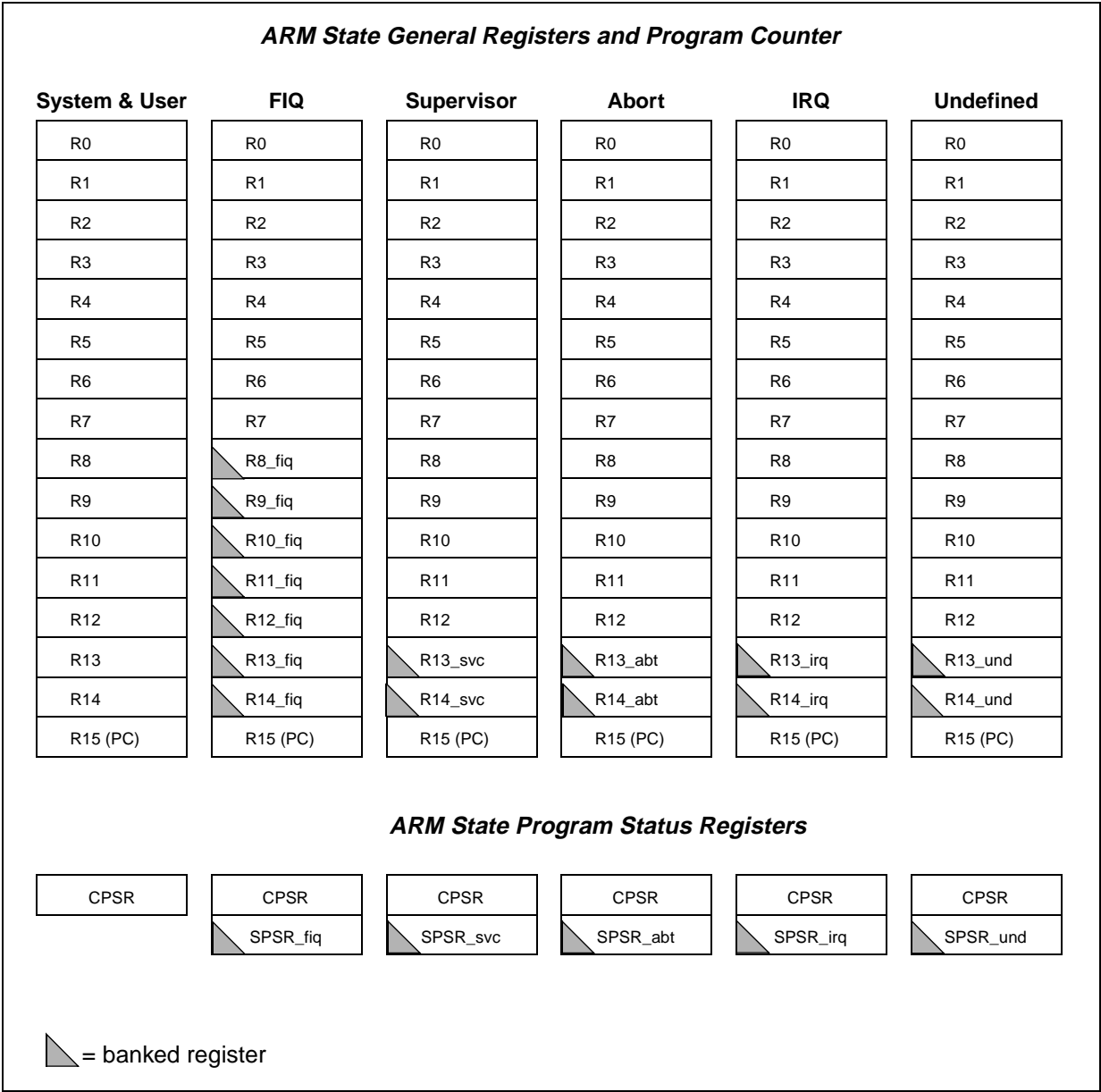


Figure 3-3: Register organization in ARM state

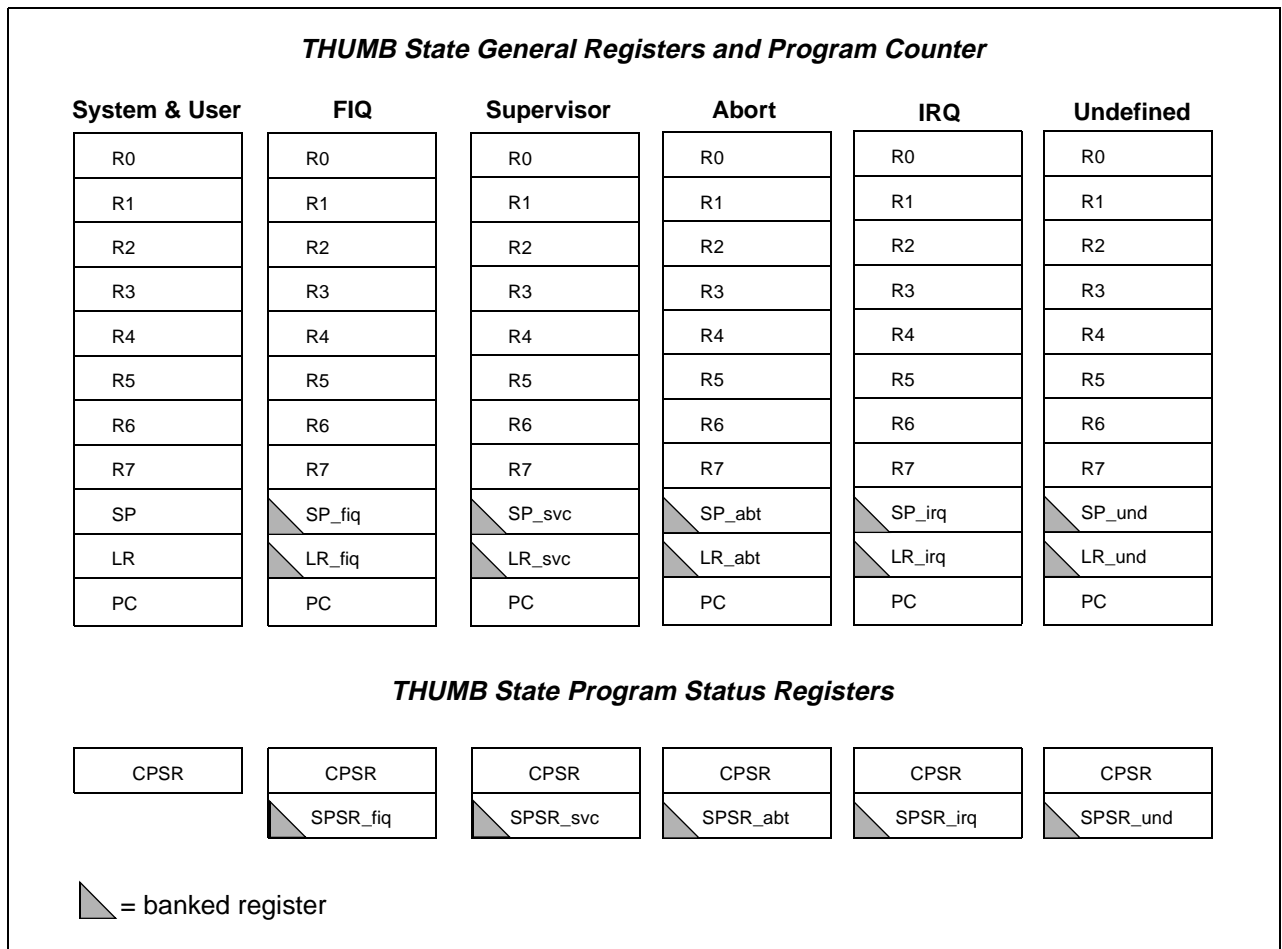


## 3.4.2 The THUMB state register set

The THUMB state register set is a subset of the ARM state set. The programmer has direct access to:

- eight general registers, (R0 – R7)
- the Program Counter (PC)
- a stack pointer register (SP)
- a link register (LR)
- the CPSR

There are banked Stack Pointers, Link Registers and *Saved Process Status Registers (SPSRs)* for each privileged mode. This is shown in **Figure 3-4: Register organization in THUMB state**.



**Figure 3-4: Register organization in THUMB state**

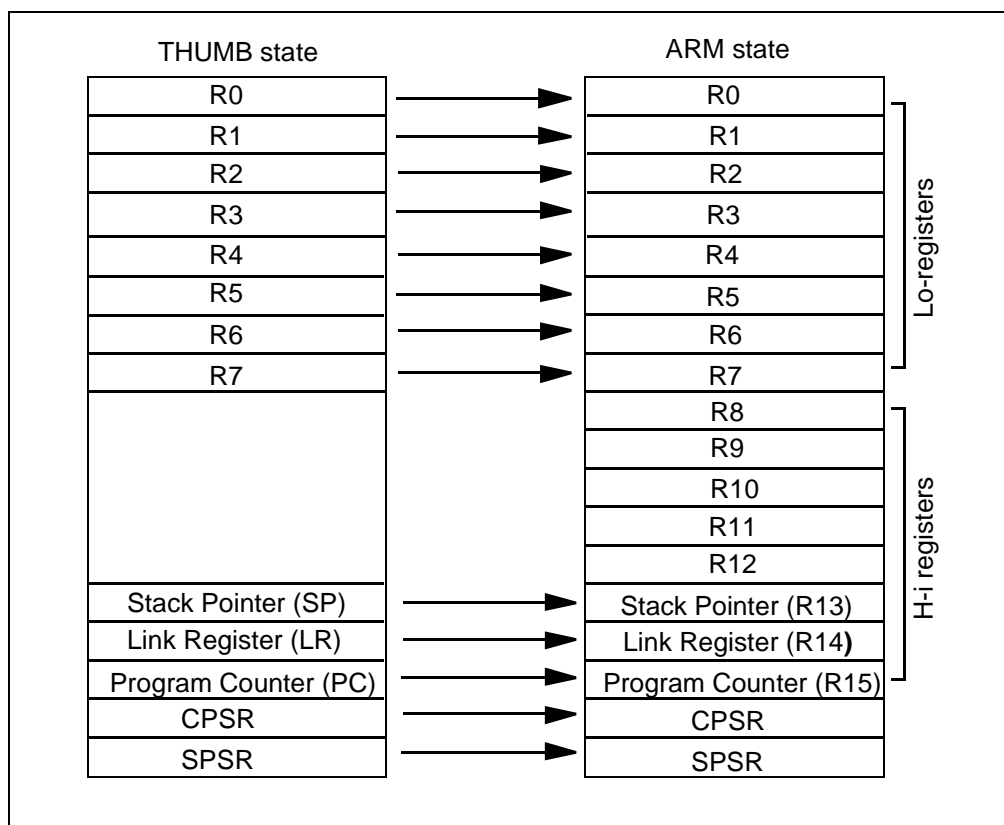
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## 3.4.3 The relationship between ARM and THUMB state registers

The THUMB state registers relate to the ARM state registers in the following way:

- THUMB state R0 – R7 and ARM state R0 – R7 are identical.
- THUMB state CPSR and SPSRs and ARM state CPSR and SPSRs are identical.
- THUMB state SP maps onto ARM state R13.
- THUMB state LR maps onto ARM state R14.
- The THUMB state Program Counter maps onto the ARM state Program Counter (R15).

This relationship is shown in **Figure 3-5: Mapping of THUMB state registers onto ARM state registers**.



**Figure 3-5: Mapping of THUMB state registers onto ARM state registers**

## 3.4.4 Accessing Hi registers in THUMB state

In THUMB state, registers R8 – R15 (the *hi-registers*) are not part of the standard register set. However, the assembly language programmer has limited access to them, and can use them for fast temporary storage.

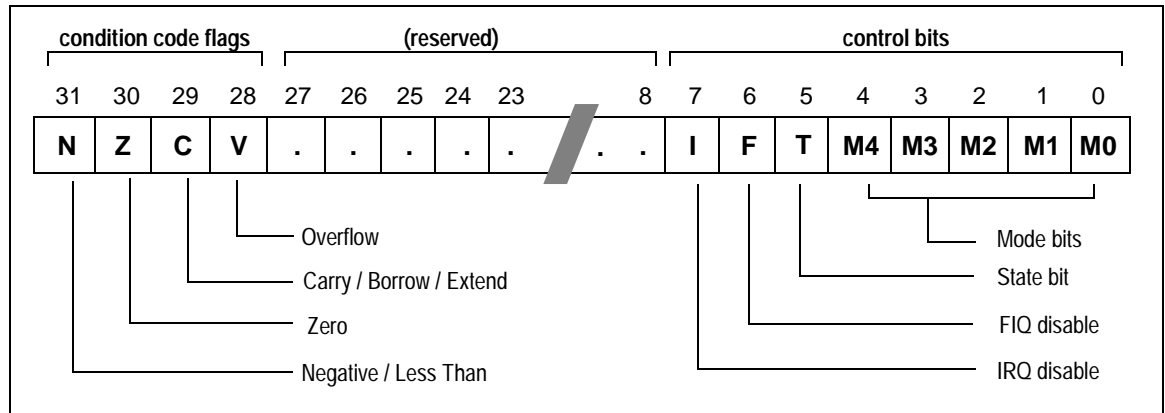
A value may be transferred from a register in the range R0 – R7 (a *lo-register*) to a hi-register, and from a hi-register to a lo-register, using special variants of the MOV instruction. Hi-register values can also be compared against or added to lo-register values with the CMP and ADD instructions. See the *ARM Architecture Reference Manual* (ARM DDI 0100) for details on hi-register operations.

## 3.5 The Program Status Registers

The ARM720T contains a *Current Program Status Register (CPSR)*, plus five *Saved Program Status Registers (SPSRs)* for use by exception handlers. These registers:

- hold information about the most recently performed ALU operation
- control the enabling and disabling of interrupts
- set the processor operating mode

The arrangement of bits is shown in **Figure 3-6: Program status register format**.



**Figure 3-6: Program status register format**

### 3.5.1 The condition code flags

The N, Z, C and V bits are the condition code flags. These may be changed as a result of arithmetic and logical operations, and may be tested to determine whether an instruction should be executed.

In ARM state, all instructions may be executed conditionally. In THUMB state, only the Branch instruction is capable of conditional execution. See the *ARM Architecture Reference Manual* (ARM DDI 0100) for details.

### 3.5.2 The control bits

The bottom 8 bits of a PSR (incorporating I, F, T and M[4:0]) are known collectively as the control bits. These change when an exception arises. If the processor is operating in a privileged mode, they can also be manipulated by software.

I and F bits are the interrupt disable bits. When set, these disable the IRQ and FIQ interrupts respectively.

The T bit reflects the operating state. When this bit is set, the processor is executing in THUMB state, otherwise it is executing in ARM state. This is reflected on the **TBIT** external signal. Software must never change the state of the **TBIT** in the CPSR. If this happens, the processor then enters an unpredictable state.

M[4:0] bits are the mode bits. These determine the processor's operating mode, as shown in **Table 3-2: PSR mode bit values** on page 3-10. Not all combinations of the mode bits define a valid processor mode. Only those explicitly described shall be used.

**Note** If any illegal value is programmed into the mode bits, M[4:0], then the processor then enters an unrecoverable state. If this occurs, reset should be applied.

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## Reserved bits

The remaining bits in the PSRs are *reserved*. When changing a PSR's flag or control bits, you must ensure that these unused bits are not altered. Also, your program should not rely on their containing specific values, since in future the processors they may read as one or zero.

M[4:0]	Mode	Visible THUMB state registers	Visible ARM state registers
10000	User	R7..R0, LR, SP PC, CPSR	R14..R0, PC, CPSR
10001	FIQ	R7..R0, LR_fiq, SP_fiq PC, CPSR, SPSR_fiq	R7..R0, R14_fiq..R8_fiq, PC, CPSR, SPSR_fiq
10010	IRQ	R7..R0, LR_irq, SP_irq PC, CPSR, SPSR_irq	R12..R0, R14_irq..R13_irq, PC, CPSR, SPSR_irq
10011	Supervisor	R7..R0, LR_svc, SP_svc, PC, CPSR, SPSR_svc	R12..R0, R14_svc..R13_svc, PC, CPSR, SPSR_svc
10111	Abort	R7..R0, LR_abt, SP_abt, PC, CPSR, SPSR_abt	R12..R0, R14_abt..R13_abt, PC, CPSR, SPSR_abt
11011	Undefined	R7..R0 LR_und, SP_und, PC, CPSR, SPSR_und	R12..R0, R14_und..R13_und, PC, CPSR
11111	System	R7..R0, LR, SP PC, CPSR	R14..R0, PC, CPSR

**Table 3-2: PSR mode bit values**

## 3.6 Exceptions

Exceptions arise whenever the normal flow of a program has to be halted temporarily, for example to service an interrupt from a peripheral. Before an exception can be handled, the current processor state must be preserved so that the original program can resume when the handler routine has finished.

Several exceptions may arise at the same time. If this happens, they are dealt with in a fixed order - see **3.6.10 Exception priorities** on page 3-14.

### 3.6.1 Action on entering an exception

When handling an exception, the ARM720T:

- 1 Preserves the address of the next instruction in the appropriate Link Register.
  - If the exception has been entered from ARM state, the address of the next instruction is copied into the Link Register (that is, current PC + 4 or PC + 8 depending on the exception—see **Table 3-3: Exception entry/exit** for details).
  - If the exception has been entered from THUMB state, the value written into the Link Register is the current PC, offset by a value such that the program resumes from the correct place on return from the exception. This means that the exception handler need not determine which state the exception was entered from.

For example, in the case of SWI:

```
MOVS PC, R14_svc
```

always returns to the next instruction regardless of whether the SWI was executed in ARM or THUMB state.

- 2 Copies the CPSR into the appropriate SPSR.
- 3 Forces the CPSR mode bits to a value which depends on the exception.
- 4 Forces the PC to fetch the next instruction from the relevant exception vector.

It may also set the interrupt disable flags to prevent otherwise unmanageable nestings of exceptions.

If the processor is in THUMB state when an exception occurs, it automatically switches into ARM state when the PC is loaded with the exception vector address.

### 3.6.2 Action on leaving an exception

On completion, the exception handler:

- 1 Moves the Link Register, minus an offset where appropriate, to the PC. The offset varies depending on the type of exception.
- 2 Copies the SPSR back to the CPSR.
- 3 Clears the interrupt disable flags, if they were set on entry.

**Note** *An explicit switch back to THUMB state is never needed, because restoring the CPSR from the SPSR automatically sets the T bit to the value it held immediately prior to the exception.*

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## 3.6.3 Exception entry/exit summary

**Table 3-3: Exception entry/exit** summarises the PC value preserved in the relevant R14 on exception entry, and the recommended instruction for exiting the exception handler.

Exception	Return Instruction	Previous State		Notes
		ARM R14_x	THUMB R14_x	
BL	MOV PC, R14	PC + 4	PC + 2	1
SWI	MOVS PC, R14_svc	PC + 4	PC + 2	1
UDEF	MOVS PC, R14_und	PC + 4	PC + 2	1
FIQ	SUBS PC, R14_fiq, #4	PC + 4	PC + 4	2
IRQ	SUBS PC, R14_irq, #4	PC + 4	PC + 4	2
PABT	SUBS PC, R14_abt, #4	PC + 4	PC + 4	1
DABT	SUBS PC, R14_abt, #8	PC + 8	PC + 8	3
RESET	NA	-	-	4

**Table 3-3: Exception entry/exit**

### Notes

- 1 Where PC is the address of the BL/SWI/Undefined Instruction fetch that had the prefetch abort.
- 2 Where PC is the address of the instruction that was not executed since the FIQ or IRQ took priority.
- 3 Where PC is the address of the Load or Store instruction which generated the data abort.
- 4 The value saved in R14\_svc upon reset is unpredictable.

## 3.6.4 FIQ

The *Fast Interrupt Request (FIQ)* exception is designed to support a data transfer or channel process, and in ARM state has sufficient private registers to remove the need for register saving (thus minimising the overhead of context switching).

FIQ is externally generated by taking the **nFIQ** input LOW. **nFIQ** and **nIRQ** are considered asynchronous, and a cycle delay for synchronization is incurred before the interrupt can affect the processor flow.

Irrespective of whether the exception was entered from ARM or THUMB state, a FIQ handler should leave the interrupt by executing:

```
SUBS PC, R14_fiq, #4
```

FIQ may be disabled by setting the CPSR's F flag. Note that this is not possible from User mode. If the F flag is clear, ARM720T checks for a LOW level on the output of the FIQ synchronizer at the end of each instruction.

## 3.6.5 IRQ

The *Interrupt Request (IRQ)* exception is a normal interrupt caused by a LOW level on the **nIRQ** input. IRQ has a lower priority than FIQ and is masked out when a FIQ sequence is entered. It may be disabled at any time by setting the I bit in the CPSR, though this can only be done from a privileged (non-User) mode.

Irrespective of whether the exception was entered from ARM or THUMB state, an IRQ handler should return from the interrupt by executing:

```
SUBS PC, R14_irq, #4
```

## 3.6.6 Abort

An abort indicates that the current memory access cannot be completed. It can be signalled either by the Protection unit, or by the external **BERROR** input. ARM720T checks for the abort exception during memory access cycles.

There are two types of abort:

<i>Prefetch abort</i>	occurs during an instruction prefetch.
<i>Data abort</i>	occurs during a data access.

If a prefetch abort occurs, the prefetched instruction is marked as invalid, but the exception is not taken until the instruction reaches the head of the pipeline. If the instruction is not executed—for example because a branch occurs while it is in the pipeline—the abort does not take place.

If a data abort occurs, the action taken depends on the instruction type:

- 1 Single data transfer instructions (LDR, STR) write back modified base registers: the Abort handler must be aware of this.
- 2 The swap instruction (SWP) is aborted as though it had not been executed.
- 3 Block data transfer instructions (LDM, STM) complete. If write-back is set, the base is updated. If the instruction would have overwritten the base with data (that is, it has the base in the transfer list), the overwriting is prevented. All register overwriting is prevented after an abort is indicated, which means in particular that R15 (always the last register to be transferred) is preserved in an aborted LDM instruction.

After fixing the reason for the abort, the handler should execute the following irrespective of the state (ARM or THUMB):

```
SUBS PC, R14_abt, #4 for a prefetch abort, or  
SUBS PC, R14_abt, #8 for a data abort
```

This restores both the PC and the CPSR, and retries the aborted instruction.

**Note** *There are restrictions on the use of the external abort signal. See 7.15 External Aborts on page 7-18.*

## 3.6.7 Software interrupt

The software interrupt instruction (SWI) is used for entering Supervisor mode, usually to request a particular supervisor function. A SWI handler should return by executing the following irrespective of the state (ARM or THUMB):

```
MOV PC, R14_svc
```

This restores the PC and CPSR, and returns to the instruction following the SWI.

## 3.6.8 Undefined instruction

When ARM720T comes across an instruction which it cannot handle, it takes the undefined instruction trap. This mechanism may be used to extend either the THUMB or ARM instruction set by software emulation.

After emulating the failed instruction, the trap handler should execute the following irrespective of the state (ARM or THUMB):

```
MOVS PC, R14_und
```

This restores the CPSR and returns to the instruction following the undefined instruction.

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## 3.6.9 Exception vectors

The ARM720T can have exception vectors mapped to either low or high addresses, controlled by the V bit in the Control Register (**4.3.2 Register 1: Control register** on page 4-5). The following table shows the exception vector addresses.

High Address	Low Address	Exception	Mode on entry
0xFFFF000	0x00000000	Reset	Supervisor
0xFFFF004	0x00000004	Undefined instruction	Undefined
0xFFFF008	0x00000008	Software interrupt	Supervisor
0xFFFF00C	0x0000000C	Abort (prefetch)	Abort
0xFFFF010	0x00000010	Abort (data)	Abort
0xFFFF014	0x00000014	Reserved	Reserved
0xFFFF018	0x00000018	IRQ	IRQ
0xFFFF01C	0x0000001C	FIQ	FIQ

**Table 3-4: Exception vector addresses**

**Note** Note that the low addresses are those generated by the processor core before the relocation by the Process ID.

## 3.6.10 Exception priorities

When multiple exceptions arise at the same time, a fixed priority system determines the order in which they are handled:

- 1 Reset (Highest priority)
- 2 Data abort
- 3 FIQ
- 4 IRQ
- 5 Prefetch abort
- 6 Undefined Instruction, Software interrupt (Lowest priority)

### Exception restrictions

Undefined Instruction and Software Interrupt are mutually exclusive, because they each correspond to particular (non-overlapping) decodings of the current instruction.

If a data abort occurs at the same time as a FIQ, and FIQs are enabled (that is, the CPSR's F flag is clear), ARM720T enters the data abort handler and then immediately proceeds to the FIQ vector. A normal return from FIQ causes the data abort handler to resume execution. Placing data abort at a higher priority than FIQ is necessary to ensure that the transfer error does not escape detection. The time for this exception entry should be added to worst-case FIQ latency calculations.



## 3.7 Reset

When the **BnRES** signal goes LOW, ARM720T:

- 1 Abandons the executing instruction.
- 2 Flushes the Cache and Translation Lookaside Buffer.
- 3 Disables the Write Buffer, Cache and Memory Management Unit.
- 4 Resets the Process Identifier.
- 5 Continues to fetch instructions from incrementing word addresses.

When **BnRES** goes HIGH again, ARM720T:

- 1 Overwrites R14\_svc and SPSR\_svc by copying the current values of the PC and CPSR into them. The value of the saved PC and SPSR is not defined.
- 2 Forces M[4:0] to 10011 (Supervisor mode), sets the I and F bits in the CPSR, and clears the CPSR's T bit.
- 3 Forces the PC to fetch the next instruction from the low reset exception vector.
- 4 Resumes execution in ARM state.

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## 3.8 Relocation of Low Virtual Addresses by Process Identifier

The virtual address produced by the processor core going to the IDC and MMU may be relocated if it lies in the bottom 32MB of the virtual address (that is, virtual address bits [31:25] = 0000000) by the substitution of the seven bits [31:25] of the ProcessID register in the CP15 Coprocessor.

The two instructions fetched immediately following an instruction to change the Process Identifier are fetched with a relocation to the previous Process Identifier, if the addresses of the instructions being fetched lie within the range of addresses to be relocated. In this behaviour, a change to the Process Identifier exhibits similar behaviour to a delayed branch.

On reset, the Process Identifier register bits [31:25] are set to 0000000, thus disabling all relocation. For this reason, the low address reset exception vector is effectively never relocated by this mechanism.

Relocation of the virtual address only occurs if the WinCE Enhancements pin is at a logic "1"; that is, the WinCE Enhancements are enabled.

**Note** *All addresses produced by the processor core undergo this translation if they lie in the appropriate address range; this includes the exception vectors if they are configured to lie in the bottom of the virtual memory map (this configuration is determined by the Vbit in the CP15 Control Register).*

## 3.9 Implementation-defined Behaviour of Instructions

The *ARM Architectural Reference Manual* defines the instruction set of the ARM720T. The following list defines the behaviour of the ARM720T instructions for those features which are denoted as being IMPLEMENTATION DEFINED in that manual.

### Indexed Addressing on a Data abort

For the following instructions:

- LDC
- LDM
- LDR
- LDRB
- LDRBT
- LDRH
- LDRSB
- LDRSH
- LDRT

in the event of a data abort with pre-indexed or post-indexed addressing, the value left in Rn is defined to be the updated base register value.

For the following instructions:

- STC
- STM
- STR
- STRB
- STRBT
- STRH
- STRT

in the event of a data abort with pre-indexed or post-indexed addressing, the value left in Rn is defined to be the updated base register value.

## Early Termination

On the ARM720T, early termination is defined as:

MLA, MUL	signed early termination.
SMULL, SMLAL	signed early termination.
UMULL, UMLAL	unsigned early termination.



# 4

## Configuration

This chapter describes the configuration of the ARM720T.

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# Configuration

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## 4.1 Overview

The operation and configuration of ARM720T is controlled:

- directly via coprocessor instructions
- indirectly via the Memory Management Page tables

The coprocessor instructions manipulate a number of on-chip registers which control the configuration of the following:

- Cache
- write buffer
- MMU
- a number of other configuration options

### 4.1.1 Compatibility

To ensure backwards compatibility of future CPUs:

- 1 All reserved or unused bits in registers and coprocessor instructions should be programmed to “0”.
- 2 Invalid registers must not be read/written.
- 3 The following bits must be programmed to “0”:
  - Register 1 bits[31:14] and bits [12:10]
  - Register 2 bits[13:0]
  - Register 5 bits[31:9]
  - Register 7 bits[31:0]
  - Register 13 bits[24:0]

**Note:** *The gray areas in the register and translation diagrams are reserved and should be programmed 0 for future compatibility.*

### 4.1.2 Notation

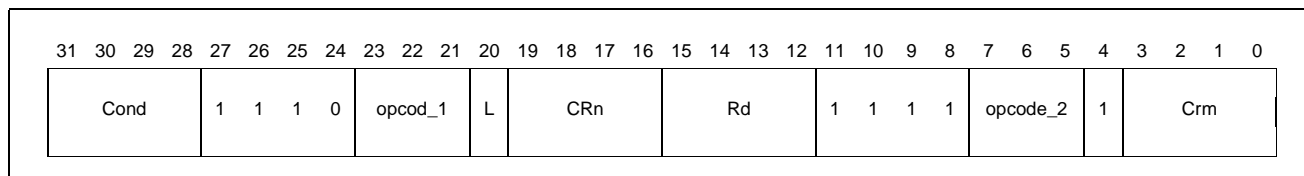
Throughout this section, the following terms and abbreviations are used:

unpredictable (unp)	If specified for reads: the data returned when reading from this location is unpredictable—it could have any value. If specified for writes: writing to this location causes unpredictable behaviour or an unpredictable change in device configuration.
should be zero (sbz)	When writing to this location, all bits of this field should be 0.

## 4.2 Internal Coprocessor Instructions

**Note** *The CP15 register map may change in later ARM processors. It is strongly recommend that you structure software so that any code accessing coprocessor 15 is contained in a single module. It can then be updated easily.*

CP15 registers can only be accessed with MRC and MCR instructions in a Privileged mode. The instruction bit pattern of the MCR and MRC instructions is shown below:



**Figure 4-1: MRC, MCR bit pattern**

CDP, LDC and STC instructions, as well as unprivileged MRC and MCR instructions to CP15 cause the undefined instruction trap to be taken.

The CRn field of MRC and MCR instructions specifies the coprocessor register to access. The CRm field and opcode\_2 fields are used to specify a particular action when addressing some registers.

In all instructions which access CP15:

- the opcode\_1 field should be zero (sbz).
- the opcode\_2 and CRm fields should be zero except when accessing registers 7 and 8, when the values specified below should be used to select the desired Cache and TLB operations.

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## 4.3 Registers

ARM720T contains registers which control the cache and MMU operation. These registers are accessed using CPRT instructions to Coprocessor #15 with the processor in a privileged mode.

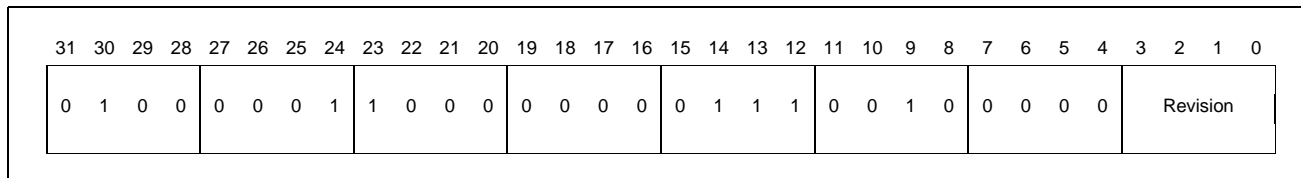
Only some of registers 0 – 15 are valid. An access to an invalid register causes neither the access nor an undefined instruction trap, and therefore should never be carried out.

Register	Register Reads	Register Writes
0	ID Register	Reserved
1	Control	Control
2	Translation Table Base	Translation Table Base
3	Domain Access Control	Domain Access Control
4	Reserved	Reserved
5	Fault Status	Fault Status
6	Fault Address	Fault Address
7	Reserved	Cache Operations
8	Reserved	TLB Operations
9 – 12	Reserved	Reserved
13	Process ID	Process ID
14 – 15	Reserved	Reserved

**Table 4-1: Cache & MMU control register**

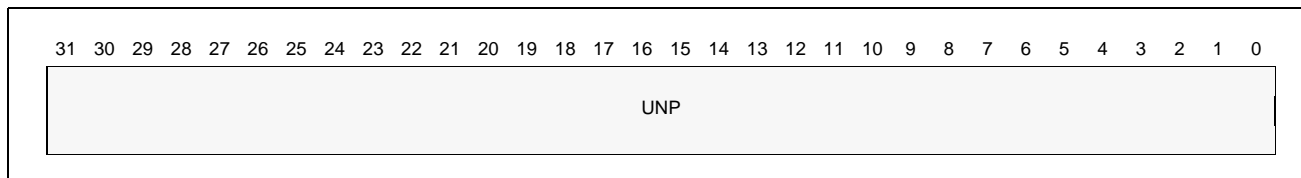
### 4.3.1 Register 0: ID register

Reading from CP15 register 0 returns the value 0x4180720x. The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when reading CP15 register 0.



**Figure 4-2: ID register read**

Writing to CP15 register 0 is unpredictable.

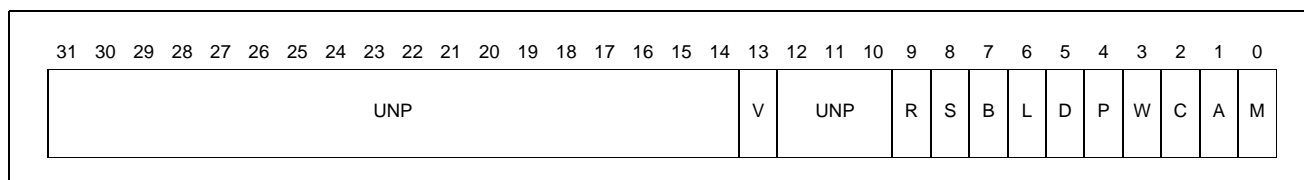


**Figure 4-3: ID register write**



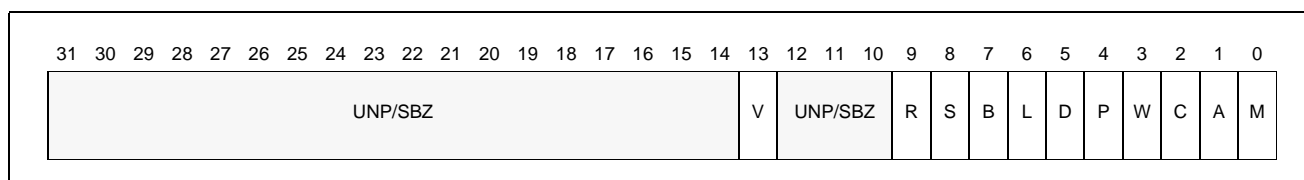
## 4.3.2 Register 1: Control register

Reading from CP15 register 1 reads the control bits. The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when reading CP15 register 1.



**Figure 4-4: Register 1 read**

Writing to CP15 register 1 sets the control bits. The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when writing CP15 register 1.



**Figure 4-5: Register 1 write**

All defined control bits are set to zero on reset. The control bits have the following functions:

- M Bit 0 MMU Enable/Disable  
0 = Memory Management Unit (MMU) disabled  
1 = Memory Management Unit (MMU) enabled
- A Bit 1 Alignment Fault Enable/Disable  
0 = Address Alignment Fault Checking disabled  
1 = Address Alignment Fault Checking enabled
- C Bit 2 Cache Enable/Disable  
0 = Instruction and/or Data Cache (IDC) disabled  
1 = Instruction and/or Data Cache (IDC) enabled
- W Bit 3 Write buffer Enable/Disable  
0 = Write Buffer disabled  
1 = Write Buffer enabled
- P Bit 4 When read, returns 1; when written, is ignored.
- D Bit 5 When read, returns 1; when written, is ignored.
- L Bit 6 When read, returns 1; when written, is ignored.
- B Bit 7 Big-endian/Little-endian  
0 = Little-endian operation  
1 = Big-endian operation
- S Bit 8 System protection  
Modifies the MMU protection system.
- R Bit 9 ROM protection  
Modifies the MMU protection system.
- Bits 31:14 When read, this returns an unpredictable value. When written, it should be zero, or a value read from these bits on the same processor. Note that using a read-write-modify sequence when modifying this register provides the greatest future compatibility.
- V Bit 13 Location of exception vectors

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0 = low addresses

1 = high addresses

The V bit can only be programmed if the WinCE Enhancements pin is at a logic “1”, that is, the WinCE Enhancements are enabled.

## Enabling the MMU

Care must be taken if the translated address differs from the untranslated address, because the instructions following the enabling of the MMU will have been fetched using no address translation; enabling the MMU may be considered as a branch with delayed execution.

A similar situation occurs when the MMU is disabled. The correct code sequence for enabling and disabling the MMU is given in **7.16 Interaction of the MMU, IDC and Write Buffer** on page 7-19.

If the cache and write buffer are enabled when the MMU is not enabled, the results are unpredictable.

### 4.3.3 Register 2: Translation table base register

Reading from CP15 register 2 returns the pointer to the currently active first-level translation table in bits [31:14] and an unpredictable value in bits [13:0]. The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when reading CP15 register 2.

Writing to CP15 register 2 updates the pointer to the currently active first-level translation table from the value in bits [31:14] of the written value. Bits [13:0] should be zero. The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when writing CP15 register 2.

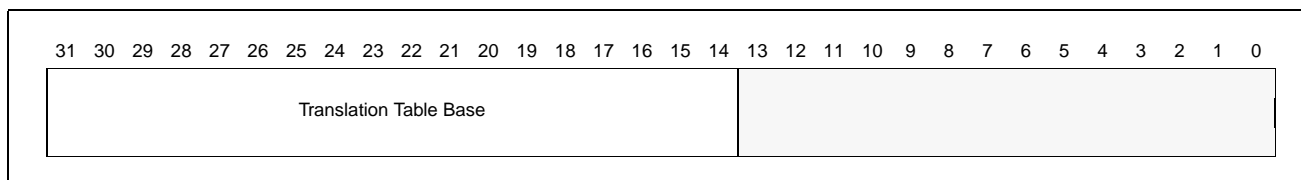


Figure 4-6: Register 2

### 4.3.4 Register 3: Domain access control register

Reading from CP15 register 3 returns the value of the Domain Access Control Register.

Writing to CP15 register 3 writes the value of Domain Access Control Register.

The Domain Access Control Register consists of 16 2-bit fields, each of which defines the access permissions for one of the 16 Domains (D15-D0).

The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when reading or writing CP15 register 3.

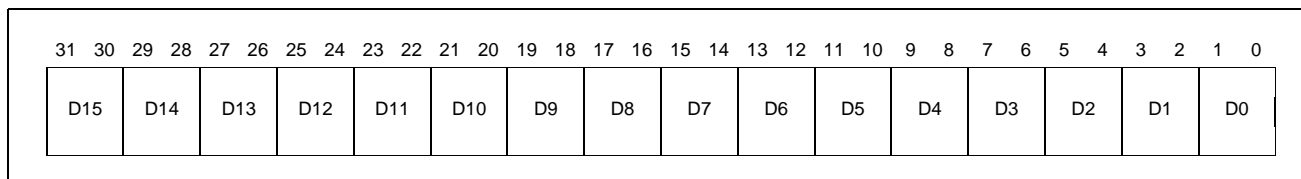


Figure 4-7: Register 3

## 4.3.5 Register 4: Reserved

Register 4 is reserved. Reading CP15 register 4 is undefined. Writing CP15 register 4 is undefined.

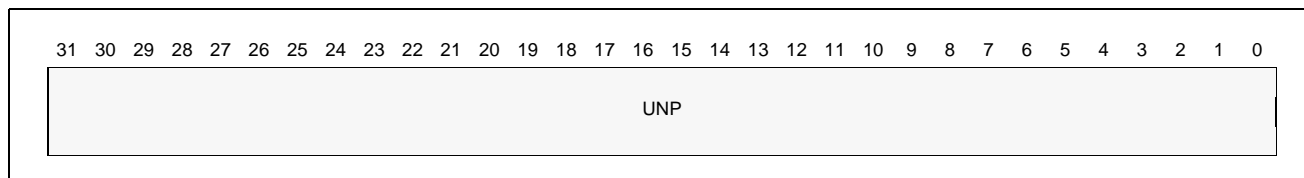


Figure 4-8: Register 4

## 4.3.6 Register 5: Fault Status Register

Reading CP15 register 5 returns the value of the *Fault Status Register (FSR)*. The FSR contains the source of the last data fault.

**Note** Only the bottom 9 bits are returned. The upper 23 bits are unpredictable.

The FSR indicates the domain and type of access being attempted when an abort occurred:

Bit 8 is always read as zero. Bit 8 is ignored on writes.

Bits [7:4] specify which of the sixteen domains (D15-D0) was being accessed when a fault occurred.

Bits [3:1] indicate the type of access being attempted.

The encoding of these bits is shown in **7.12 Fault Address and Fault Status Registers (FAR & FSR)** on page 7-13. The FSR is only updated for data faults, not for prefetch faults.

Writing CP15 register 5 sets the Fault Status Register to the value of the data written. This is useful when a debugger needs to restore the value of the FSR. The upper 24 bits written should be zero.

The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when reading or writing CP15 register 5.

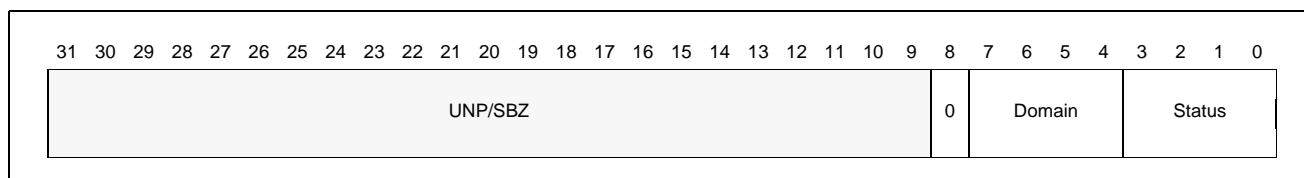


Figure 4-9: Register 5

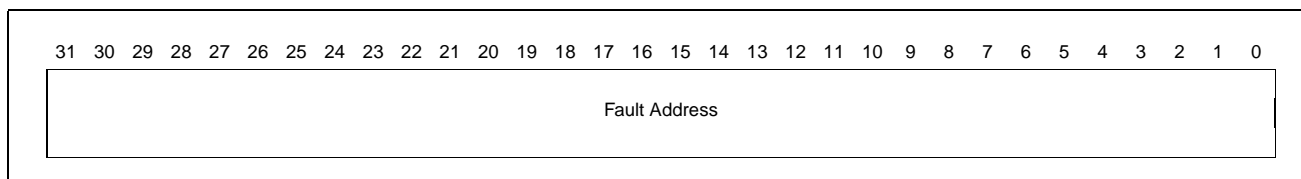
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## 4.3.7 Register 6: Fault Address Register

Reading CP15 register 6 returns the value of the *Fault Address Register (FAR)*. The FAR holds the virtual address of the access which was attempted when a fault occurred. The FAR is only updated for data faults, not for prefetch faults.

Writing CP15 register 6 sets the Fault Address Register to the value of the data written. This is useful when a debugger needs to restore the value of the FAR.

The CRm and opcode\_2 fields should be zero when reading or writing CP15 register 6.



**Figure 4-10: Register 6**

## 4.3.8 Register 7: Cache Operations

Writing to CP15 register 7 manages the ARM720T's unified instruction and data cache. Only one cache operation is defined using the following opcode\_2 and CRm fields in the MCR instruction that writes the CP15 register 7:

Function	opcode_2 value	CRm value	Data	Instruction
Invalidate ID cache	0b000	0b0111	SBZ	MCR p15, 0, Rd, c7, c7, 0

**Table 4-2: Cache operation**

Reading from CP15 register 7 is undefined.

The "Invalidate ID cache" function invalidates all cache data. Use with caution.

## 4.3.9 Register 8: TLB Operations

Writing to CP15 register 8 is used to control the *Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB)*. The ARM720T implements a unified instruction and data TLB.

Two TLB operations are defined, and the function to be performed selected by the opcode\_2 and CRm fields in the MCR instruction used to write CP15 register 8.

Function	opcode_2 value	CRm value	Data	Instruction
Invalidate TLB	0b000	0b0111	SBZ	MCR p15, 0, Rd, c8, c7, 0
Invalidate TLB single entry	0b001	0b0111	Virtual Address	MCR p15, 0, Rd, c8, c7, 1

**Table 4-3: TLB operations**

Reading from CP15 register 8 is undefined.

The "Invalidate TLB" function invalidates all of the unlocked entries in the TLB.

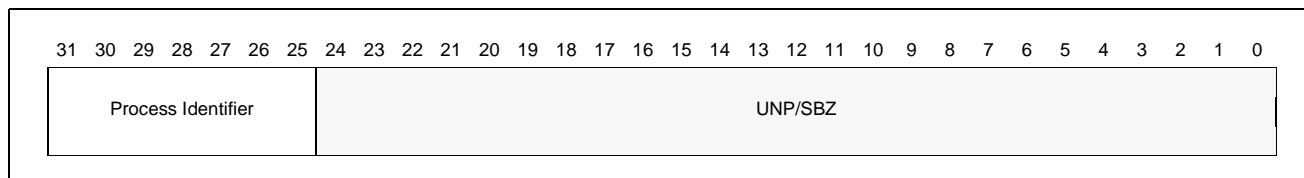
The "Invalidate TLB single entry" function invalidates any TLB entry corresponding to the Virtual Address given in Rd.

## 4.3.10 Registers 9 – 12: Reserved

Accessing any of these registers is undefined. Writing to any of these registers is undefined.

## 4.3.11 Register 13: Process Identifier

Reading from CP15 register returns the value of the Process Identifier.



**Figure 4-11: Register 13**

The Process Identifier can only be accessed if the WinCe pin is at a logic “1”; that is, the WinCE Enhancements are enabled.

**Note** Only bits [31:25] are returned. The remaining 25 bits are unpredictable.

Writing to CP15 register updates the process identifier from the value in bits [31:25]. Bits [24:0] should be zero. The Process Identifier is set to 0000000 on Reset. The CRm and opcode\_2 should be zero when reading or writing CP15 register 13.

### Changing Process Identifier

Care must be taken when changing Process Identifier as the following instructions will have been fetched with the Process Identifier. In this respect, changing the Process Identifier has similarities with a branch with delayed execution. See **3.8 Relocation of Low Virtual Addresses by Process Identifier** on page 3-16.

## 4.3.12 Registers 14-15: Reserved

Accessing any of these registers is undefined. Writing to any of these registers is undefined.



# 5

## Instruction and Data Cache (IDC)

This chapter describes the instruction and data cache.

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# Instruction and Data Cache (IDC)

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## 5.1 Overview of the Instruction and Data Cache

### 5.1.1 IDC operation

ARM720T contains an 8KB mixed instruction and data cache (IDC).

The C bit in the ARM720T Control Register and the Cacheable bit in the MMU page tables only affect loading data into the Cache. The Cache is always searched regardless of these two bits. If the data is found then it is used, so when the cache is disabled, it should also be flushed.

The IDC has 512 lines of 16 bytes (four words), arranged as a 4-way set-associative cache, and uses the virtual addresses generated by the processor core after relocation by the Process Identifier as appropriate. The IDC is always reloaded a line at a time (4 words). It may be enabled or disabled via the ARM720T Control Register and is disabled on **BnRES**.

The operation of the cache is further controlled by the *Cacheable (C bit)* stored in the Memory Management Page Table—see **Chapter 7, Memory Management Unit (MMU)**. For this reason, the MMU must be enabled in order to use the IDC. However, the two functions may be enabled simultaneously, with a single write to the Control Register.

### 5.1.2 Cacheable bit

The Cacheable bit determines whether data being read may be placed in the IDC and used for subsequent read operations. Typically, main memory is marked as cacheable to improve system performance, and I/O space as non-cacheable to stop the data being stored in ARM720T's cache.

For example, if the processor is polling a hardware flag in I/O space, it is important that the processor is forced to read data from the external peripheral, and not a copy of the initial data held in the cache. The Cacheable bit can be configured for both pages and sections.

#### Cacheable reads (C = 1)

A linefetch of four words is performed when a cache miss occurs in a cacheable area of memory, and it is randomly placed in a cache bank.

#### Uncacheable reads (C = 0)

An external memory access is performed and the cache is not written.

### 5.1.3 IDC operation

The C bit in the ARM720T Control Register and the Cacheable bit in the MMU page tables only affect loading data into the Cache. The Cache is always searched regardless of these two bits. If the data is found it is used, so when the cache is disabled, it should also be flushed.

### 5.1.4 Read-lock-write

The IDC treats the Read-Locked-Write instruction as a special case.

The read phase always forces a read of external memory, regardless of whether the data is contained in the cache.

The write phase is treated as a normal write operation. If the data is already in the cache, the cache is updated.

Externally, the two phases are flagged as indivisible by asserting the **BLOK** signal.



## 5.2 IDC Validity

The IDC operates with virtual addresses, so you must ensure that its contents remain consistent with the virtual to physical mappings performed by the MMU. If the memory mappings are changed, the IDC validity must be ensured.

### 5.2.1 Software IDC flush

The entire IDC may be marked as invalid by writing to the Cache Operations Register (R7). The cache is flushed immediately the register is written, but note that the two instruction fetches following may come from the cache before the register is written.

### 5.2.2 Doubly-mapped space

As the cache works with virtual addresses, it is assumed that every virtual address maps to a different physical address. If the same physical location is accessed by more than one virtual address, the cache cannot maintain consistency. Each virtual address has a separate entry in the cache, and only one entry can be updated on a processor write operation.

To avoid any cache inconsistencies, both doubly-mapped virtual addresses should be marked as uncacheable.

## 5.3 IDC Enable/Disable and Reset

The IDC is automatically disabled and flushed on **BnRES**. Once enabled, cacheable read accesses causes lines to be placed in the cache.

### To enable the IDC

- 1 Make sure that the MMU is enabled first by setting bit 0 in the Control register.
- 2 Enable the IDC by setting bit 2 in the Control register. The MMU and IDC may be enabled simultaneously with a single write to the control register.

### To disable the IDC

- 1 Clear bit 2 in the Control register.
- 2 Perform a flush by writing to the Cache Operations register.

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## Write Buffer

This chapter describes the Write Buffer.

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# Write Buffer

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## 6.1 Overview

The ARM720T write buffer is provided to improve system performance. It can buffer up to eight words of data, and four independent addresses. It may be enabled or disabled via the W bit (bit 3) in the ARM720T Control Register. The buffer is disabled and flushed on reset.

The operation of the write buffer is further controlled by the Bufferable (B) bit, which is stored in the Memory Management Page Tables. For this reason, the MMU must be enabled so you can use the write buffer. The two functions may however be enabled simultaneously, with a single write to the Control Register.

For a write to use the write buffer, both the W bit in the Control Register and the B bit in the corresponding page table must be set.

**Note** It is not possible to abort buffered writes externally; the **BERROR** pin is ignored. Areas of memory which may generate aborts should be marked as unbufferable in the MMU page tables.

### 6.1.1 Bufferable bit

This bit controls whether a write operation may or may not use the write buffer. Typically, main memory is bufferable and I/O space unbufferable. The Bufferable bit can be configured for both pages and sections.

## 6.2 Write Buffer Operation

When the CPU performs a write operation, the translation entry for that address is inspected and the state of the B bit determines the subsequent action. If the write buffer is disabled via the ARM720T Control Register, buffered writes are treated in the same way as unbuffered writes.

### To enable the write buffer

- 1 Ensure the MMU is enabled by setting bit 0 in the Control Register.
- 2 Enable the write buffer by setting bit 3 in the Control Register. The MMU and write buffer may be enabled simultaneously with a single write to the Control Register.

### To disable the write buffer

- 1 Clear bit 3 in the Control Register.

**Note** *Any writes already in the write buffer complete normally.*

### 6.2.1 Bufferable write

If the write buffer is enabled and the processor performs a write to a bufferable area, the data is placed in the write buffer at **FCLK** speeds (**BCLK** if running with fastbus extension) and the CPU continues execution. The write buffer then performs the external write in parallel.

If the write buffer is full (either because there are already eight words of data in the buffer, or because there is no slot for the new address), the processor is stalled until there is sufficient space in the buffer.

### 6.2.2 Unbufferable writes

If the write buffer is disabled or the CPU performs a write to an unbufferable area, the processor is stalled until the write buffer empties and the write completes externally. This may require synchronisation and several external clock cycles.

### 6.2.3 Read-lock-write

The write phase of a read-lock-write sequence is treated as an unbuffered write, even if it is marked as buffered.

**Note** *A single write requires one address slot and one data slot in the write buffer; a sequential write of  $n$  words requires one address slot and  $n$  data slots. The total of eight data slots in the buffer may be used as required. For example, there could be three non-sequential writes and one sequential write of five words in the buffer, and the processor could continue as normal: a fifth write or a sixth word in the fourth write would stall the processor until the first write had completed.*



# 7

## Memory Management Unit (MMU)

This chapter describes the Memory Management Unit.

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# Memory Management Unit (MMU)

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## 7.1 Overview

The Memory Management MMU performs two primary functions. It:

- translates virtual addresses into physical addresses
- controls memory access permissions

The MMU hardware required to perform these functions consists of:

- a *Translation Look-aside Buffer (TLB)*
- access control logic
- translation-table-walking logic

When the MMU is turned off (as happens on reset), the virtual address is output directly onto the physical address bus.

**Note** *The MMU works with virtual addresses after any relocation by the Process Identifier.*

### 7.1.1 Memory accesses

The MMU supports memory accesses based on Sections or Pages:

Sections are 1MB blocks of memory.

Pages Two different page sizes are supported:

Small Pages consist of 4KB blocks of memory. Additional access control mechanisms are extended to 1KB Sub-Pages.

Large Pages consist of 64KB blocks of memory. Large Pages are supported to allow mapping of a large region of memory while using only a single entry in the TLB). Additional access control mechanisms are extended to 16KB Sub-Pages.

### 7.1.2 Domains

The MMU also supports the concept of domains, which are areas of memory that can be defined to possess individual access rights. The Domain Access Control Register is used to specify access rights for up to 16 separate domains.

### 7.1.3 TLB

The TLB caches 64 translated entries. During most memory accesses, the TLB provides the translation information to the access control logic.

- If the TLB contains a translated entry for the virtual address, the access control logic determines whether access is permitted.
- If access is permitted, the MMU outputs the appropriate physical address corresponding to the virtual address.
- If access is not permitted, the MMU signals the CPU to abort.

If the TLB misses (it does not contain a translated entry for the virtual address), the translation-table-walking hardware is invoked to retrieve the translation information from a translation table in physical memory. Once retrieved, the translation information is placed into the TLB, possibly overwriting an existing value. The entry to be overwritten is chosen by cycling sequentially through the TLB locations.

### 7.1.4 Effect of reset

For information on the effect of reset, see **3.7 Reset** on page 3-15.



# Memory Management Unit (MMU)

## 7.2 MMU Program Accessible Registers

The ARM720T Processor provides several 32-bit registers which determine the operation of the MMU. These are described in **3.2 Memory Formats** on page 3-3.

Data is written to and read from the MMU's registers using the ARM CPU's MRC and MCR coprocessor instructions.

A brief description of the registers is provided below. Each register is discussed in more detail within the section that describes its use.

Register	Description
Translation Table Base	holds the physical address of the base of the translation table maintained in main memory. Note that this base must reside on a 16KB boundary.
Domain Access Control	consists of sixteen 2-bit fields, each of which defines the access permissions for one of the sixteen Domains (D15–D0).
TLB Operations	allows individual or all TLB entries to be marked as invalid.
Fault Status	<p>indicates the domain and type of access being attempted when an abort occurred.</p> <p>Bits [7:4] specify which of the sixteen domains (D15–D0) was being accessed when a fault occurred.</p> <p>Bits [3:1] indicate the type of access being attempted.</p> <p>The encoding of these bits is different for internal and external faults (as indicated by bit 0 in the register) and is shown in <b>Table 7-5: Priority encoding of fault status</b> on page 7-13.</p>
Fault Address	holds the virtual address of the access which was attempted when a fault occurred.

**Table 7-1: MMU program accessible registers**

The Fault Status Register and Fault Address Register are only updated for data faults, not for prefetch faults.

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## 7.3 Address Translation Process

The MMU translates virtual addresses generated by the CPU after relocation by the Process Identifier into physical addresses to access external memory, and also derives and checks the access permission. Translation information, which consists of both the address translation data and the access permission data, resides in a translation table located in physical memory.

The MMU provides the logic needed to:

- traverse this translation table
- obtain the translated address
- check the access permission

There are three routes by which the address translation (and hence permission check) takes place. The route taken depends on whether the address in question has been marked as a section-mapped access or a page-mapped access; there are two sizes of page-mapped access (large pages and small pages). However, the translation process always starts out in the same way, as described below, with a Level One fetch. A section-mapped access only requires a Level One fetch, but a page-mapped access also requires a Level Two fetch.

### 7.3.1 Translation table base

The translation process is initiated when the on-chip TLB does not contain an entry for the requested virtual address. The *Translation Table Base (TTB)* Register points to the base of a table in physical memory which contains Section and/or Page descriptors.

The 14 low-order bits of the TTB Register are set to zero as illustrated in **Figure 7-1: Translation table base register**.

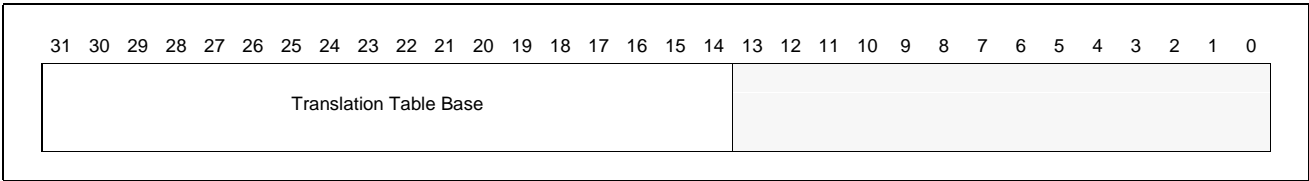


Figure 7-1: Translation table base register

**Note** That the table must reside on a 16KB boundary.

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## 7.3.2 Level 1 fetch

Bits [31:14] of the Translation Table Base register are concatenated with bits [31:20] of the virtual address to produce a 30-bit address as illustrated in **Figure 7-2: Accessing the translation table first level descriptors**. This address selects a 4-byte translation table entry which is a First Level Descriptor for either a Section or a Page (bit 1 of the returned descriptor specifies whether it is for a Section or Page). This is shown in **Figure 7-2: Accessing the translation table first level descriptors**.

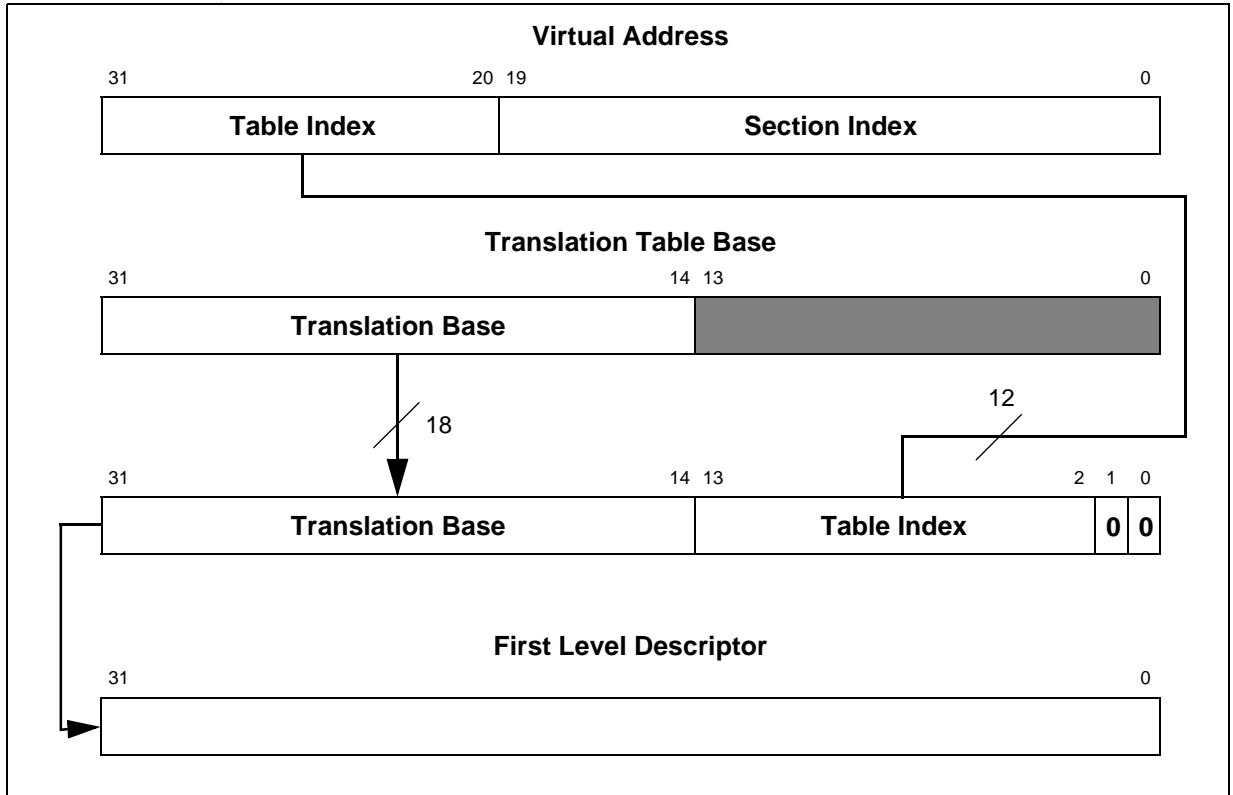


Figure 7-2: Accessing the translation table first level descriptors

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## 7.4 Level 1 Descriptor

The Level 1 Descriptor returned is either a Page Table Descriptor or a Section Descriptor, and its format varies accordingly. **Figure 7-4: Section translation** illustrates the format of Level 1 Descriptors.

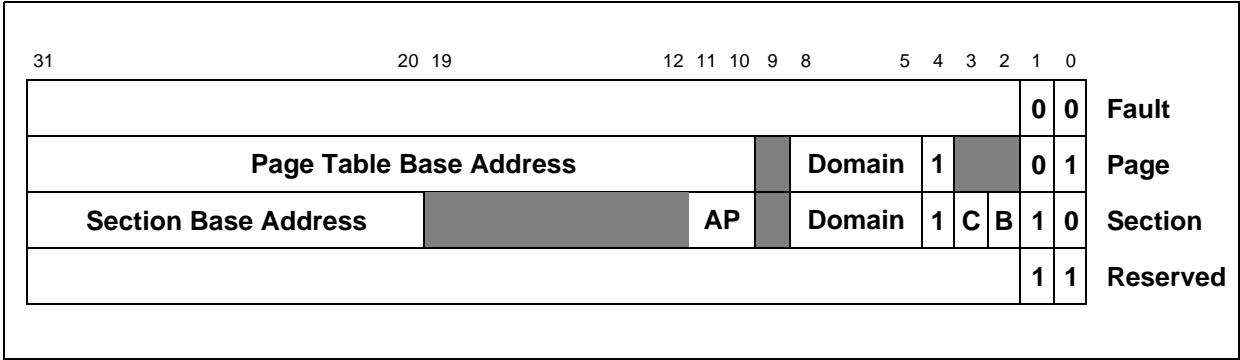


Figure 7-3: Level 1 Descriptors

The two least significant bits indicate the descriptor type and validity, and are interpreted as shown below.

Value	Meaning	Notes
0 0	Invalid	Generates a Section Translation Fault
0 1	Page	Indicates that this is a Page Descriptor
1 0	Section	Indicates that this is a Section Descriptor
1 1	Reserved	Reserved for future use

Table 7-2: Interpreting Level 1 Descriptor bits [1:0]

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- Bits [3:2] are always written as 0.
- Bit [4] should be written to 1 for backward compatibility.
- Bits [8:5] specify one of the 16 possible domains (held in the Domain Access Control Register) that contain the primary access controls.
- Bits [31:10] form the base for referencing the Page Table Entry. (The page table index for the entry is derived from the virtual address as illustrated in **Figure 7-6: Small page translation** on page 7-10).

If a Page Table Descriptor is returned from the Level One fetch, a Level Two fetch is initiated as described in the following section.



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C (Cacheable): indicates that data at this address is placed in the cache (if the cache is enabled).

B (Bufferable): indicates that data at this address is written through the write buffer (if the write buffer is enabled).

**Note** *The meaning of the C and B bits may change in later ARM processors. It is strongly recommend that you structure software so that code which manipulates the MMU page tables is contained in a single module. It can then be updated easily when you port it to a different ARM processor.*

Bits [3:2] (C, B) control the cache- and write-buffer-related functions.

Bit [4] should be written to 1 for backward compatibility.

Bits [8:5] specify one of the 16 possible domains (held in the Domain Access Control Register) that contain the primary access controls.

Bits [11:10] (AP) specify the access permissions for this section and are interpreted as shown in **Table 7-3: Interpreting access permission (AP) bits**. Their interpretation depends on the setting of the S and R bits (control register bits 8 and 9). The Domain Access Control specifies the primary access control; the AP bits only have an effect in client mode. Refer to **7.13 Domain Access Control** on page 7-14.

Bits [19:12] are always written as 0.

Bits [31:20] form the corresponding bits of the physical address for the 1MB section.

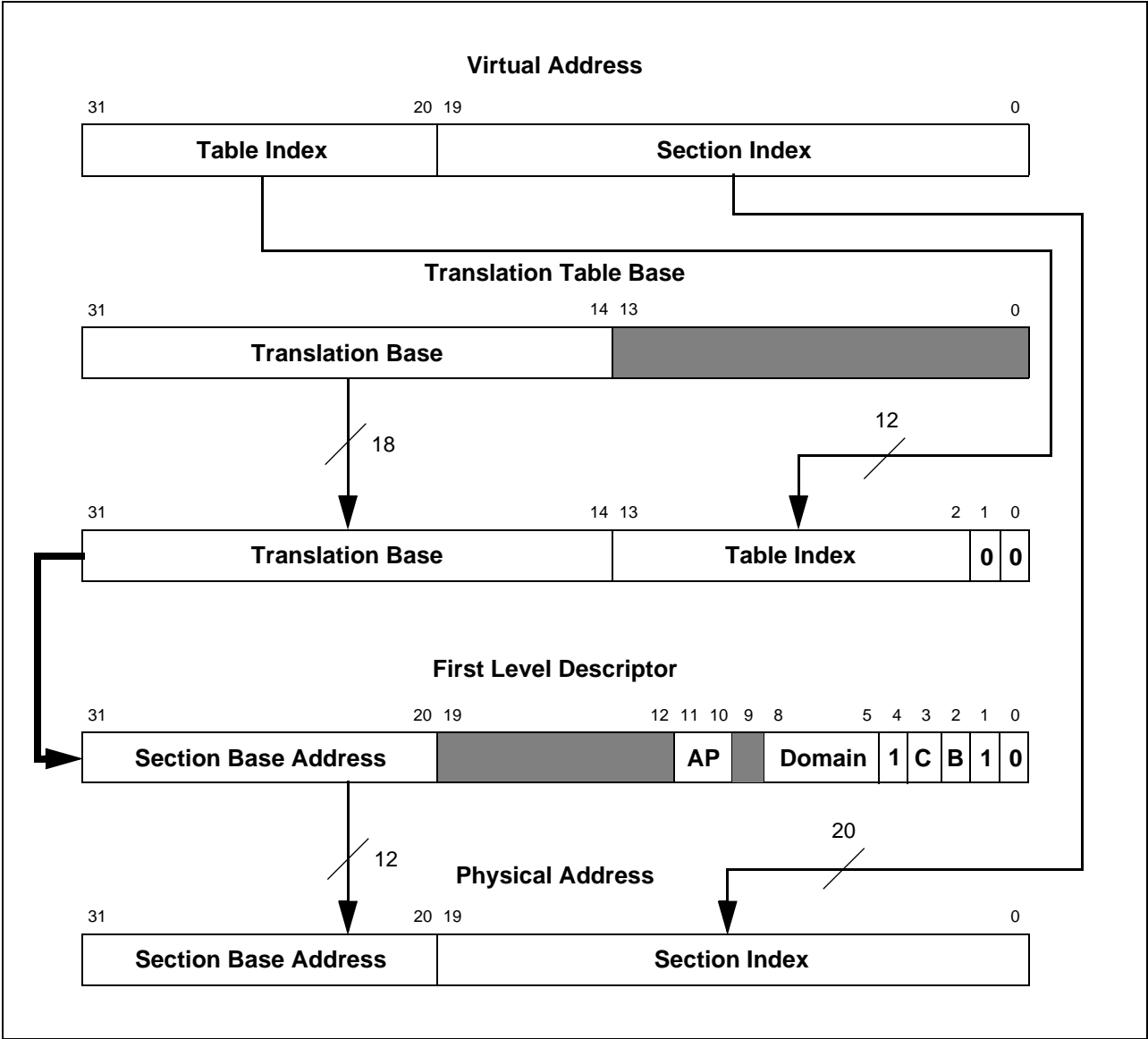
AP	S	R	Supervisor Permission	User Permission	Notes
00	0	0	No Access	No Access	Any access generates a permission fault
00	1	0	Read Only	No Access	Supervisor Read Only permitted
00	0	1	Read Only	Read Only	Any write generates a permission fault
00	1	1	Reserved	Reserved	Reserved
01	x	x	Read/Write	No Access	Access allowed only in Supervisor mode
10	x	x	Read/Write	Read Only	Writes in User mode cause permission fault
11	x	x	Read/Write	Read/Write	All access types permitted in both modes.
xx	1	1	Reserved	Reserved	Reserved

**Table 7-3: Interpreting access permission (AP) bits**

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## 7.7 Translating Section References

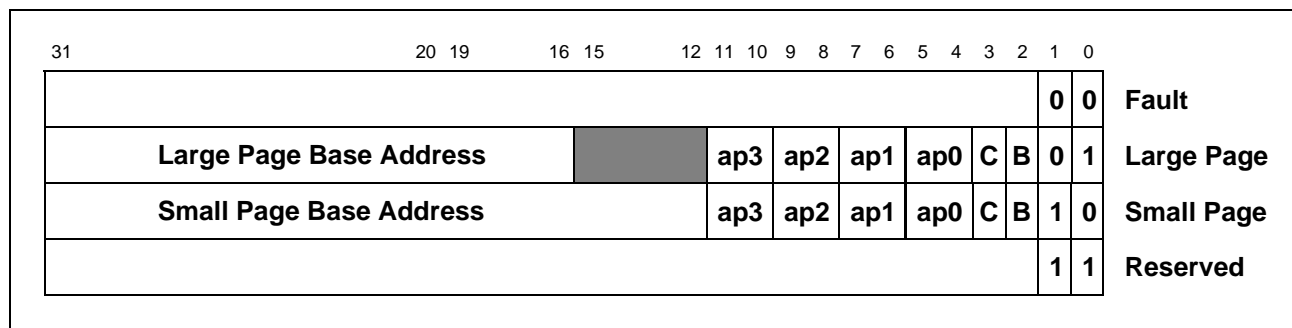
**Figure 7-4: Section translation** illustrates the complete Section translation sequence. Note that the access permissions contained in the Level 1 Descriptor must be checked before the physical address is generated. The sequence for checking access permissions is described below.



**Figure 7-4: Section translation**

## 7.8 Level 2 Descriptor

If the Level One fetch returns a Page Table Descriptor, this provides the base address of the page table to be used. The page table is then accessed as described in **Figure 7-6: Small page translation** on page 7-10, and a Page Table Entry, or Level 2 Descriptor, is returned. This in turn may define either a Small Page or a Large Page access. The figure below shows the format of Level 2 Descriptors.



**Figure 7-5: Page table entry (Level 2 Descriptor)**

The two least significant bits indicate the page size and validity, and are interpreted as follows:

Value	Meaning	Notes
0 0	Invalid	Generates a Page Translation Fault
0 1	Large Page	Indicates that this is a 64KB Page
1 0	Small Page	Indicates that this is a 4KB Page
1 1	Reserved	Reserved for future use

**Table 7-4: Interpreting page table entry bits 1:0**

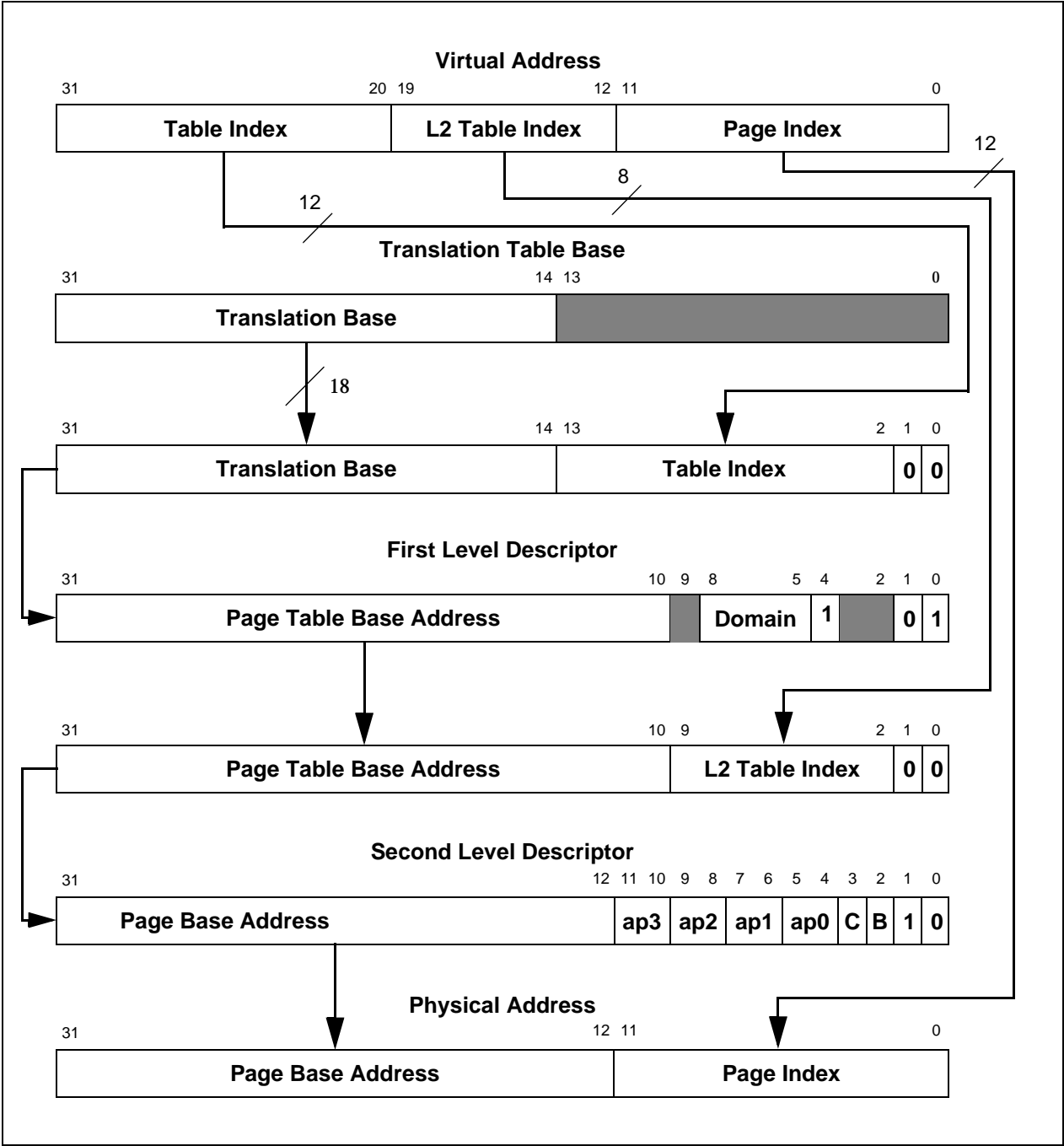
Bit [2]	(B - Bufferable) indicates that data at this address is written through the write buffer (if the write buffer is enabled).
Bit [3]	(C - Cacheable) indicates that data at this address is placed in the IDC (if the cache is enabled).
Bits [11:4]	specify the access permissions (ap3 – ap0) for the four sub-pages. Interpretation of these bits is described earlier in <b>Table 7-2: Interpreting Level 1 Descriptor bits [1:0]</b> on page 7-6.
Bits [15:12]	are programmed as 0 for large pages
Bits [31:12]	(small pages)
Bits [31:16]	(large pages)

**Note** Small and large pages are used to form the corresponding bits of the physical address, that is the physical page number. (The page index is derived from the virtual address as illustrated in **Figure 7-6: Small page translation** on page 7-10 and **Figure 7-7: Large page translation** on page 7-11).

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## 7.9 Translating Small Page References

**Figure 7-6: Small page translation** illustrates the complete translation sequence for a 4KB Small Page. Page translation involves one additional step beyond that of a section translation: the Level 1 Descriptor is the Page Table descriptor, and this is used to point to the Level 2 Descriptor, or Page Table Entry. As the access permissions are now contained in the Level 2 Descriptor they must be checked before the physical address is generated. The sequence for checking access permissions is described later.

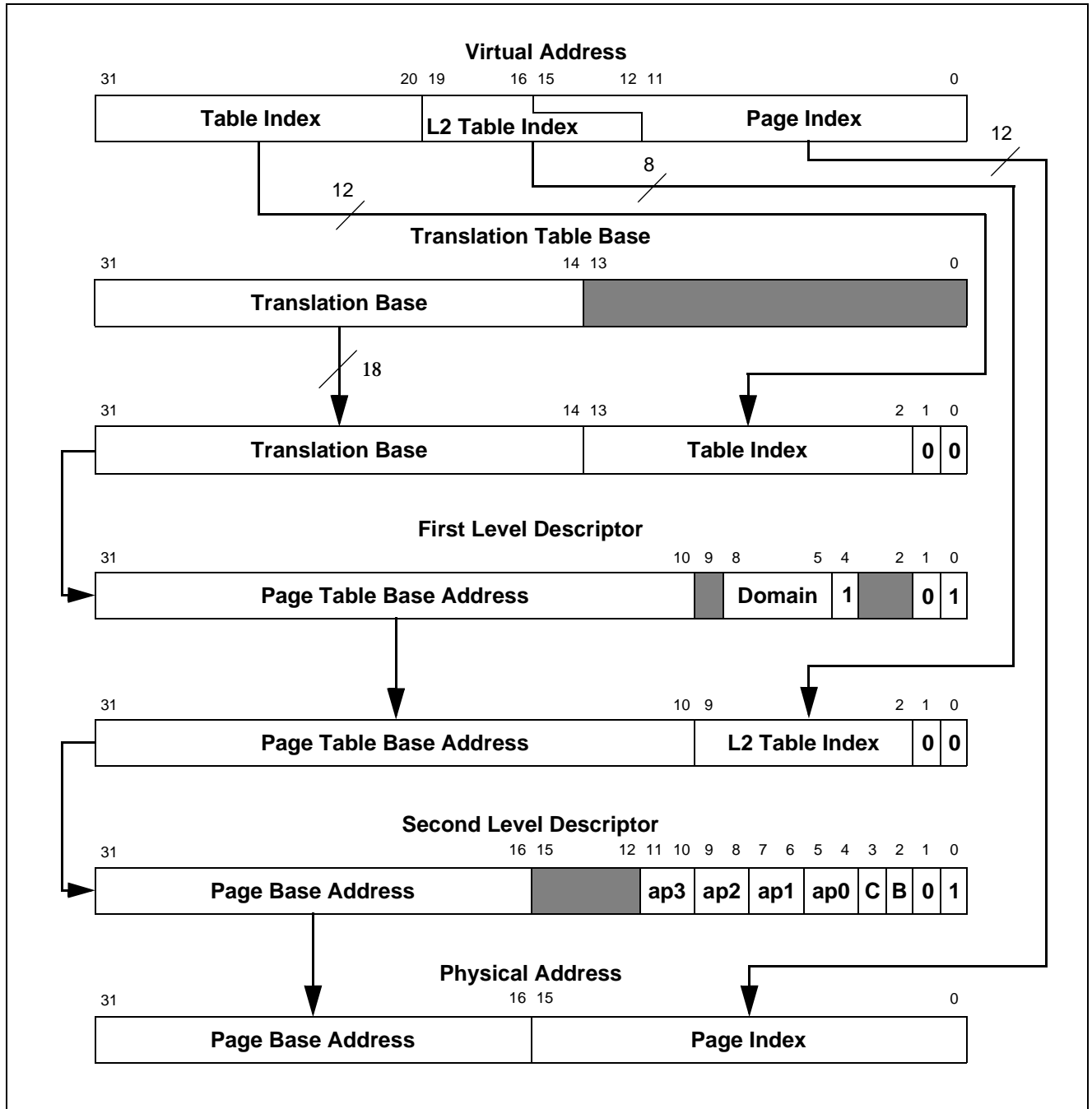


**Figure 7-6: Small page translation**



## 7.10 Translating Large Page References

**Figure 7-7: Large page translation** illustrates the complete translation sequence for a 64KB Large Page. As the upper four bits of the Page Index and low-order four bits of the Page Table index overlap, each Page Table Entry for a Large Page must be duplicated 16 times (in consecutive memory locations) in the Page Table.



**Figure 7-7: Large page translation**

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## 7.11 MMU Faults and CPU Aborts

The MMU generates four types of faults:

- Alignment Fault
- Translation Fault
- Domain Fault
- Permission Fault

In addition, an external abort may be raised on external data access.

The access control mechanisms of the MMU detect the conditions that produce these faults. If a fault is detected as the result of a memory access, the MMU aborts the access and signals the fault condition to the CPU. The MMU is also capable of retaining status and address information about the abort. The CPU recognises two types of abort which are treated differently by the MMU:

- data aborts
- prefetch aborts

If the MMU detects an access violation, it does so before the external memory access takes place, and it therefore inhibits the access. External aborts do not necessarily inhibit the external access, as described in the section on external aborts.

If the ARM720T is operating in fastbus mode an internally aborting access may cause the address on the external address bus to change, even though the external bus cycle has been cancelled. The address that is placed on the bus is the translation of the address that caused the abort, though in the case of a Translation Fault the value of this address is undefined. No memory access is performed to this address.

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## 7.12 Fault Address and Fault Status Registers (FAR & FSR)

Aborts resulting from data accesses (data aborts) are acted upon by the CPU immediately, and the MMU places an encoded 4-bit value FS[3:0], along with the 4-bit encoded Domain number, in the *Fault Status Register (FSR)*.

In addition, the virtual processor address which caused the data abort is latched into the *Fault Address Register (FAR)*. If an access violation simultaneously generates more than one source of abort, they are encoded in the priority given in **Table 7-5: Priority encoding of fault status**.

	Source	FS[3:0]	Domain[3:0]	FAR
Highest	Alignment	00x1	invalid	valid
	Bus Error (translation) level1	1100	invalid	valid
	level2	1110	valid	valid
	Translation Section	0101	invalid	valid
	Page	0111	valid	valid
	Domain Section	1001	valid	valid
Lowest	Page	1011	valid	valid
	Permission Section	1101	valid	valid
	Page	1111	valid	valid
	Bus Error (linefetch) Section	0100	valid	Note 2
	Page	0110	valid	Note 2
Lowest	Bus Error (other) Section	1000	valid	valid
	Page	1010	valid	valid

**Table 7-5: Priority encoding of fault status**

x is undefined, and may read as 0 or 1.

### Notes

- 1 Any abort masked by the priority encoding may be regenerated by fixing the primary abort and restarting the instruction.
- 2 The FAR contains the address of the start of the linefetch.

CPU instructions are prefetched, so a prefetch abort simply flags the instruction as it enters the instruction pipeline. Only when (and if) the instruction is executed does it cause an abort; an abort is not acted upon if the instruction is not used (that is, it is branched around). Because instruction prefetch aborts may or may not be acted upon, the MMU status information is not preserved for the resulting CPU abort. For a prefetch abort, the MMU does not update the FSR or FAR.

The sections that follow describe the various access permissions and controls supported by the MMU and detail how these are interpreted to generate faults.

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## 7.13 Domain Access Control

MMU accesses are primarily controlled via domains. There are 16 domains, and each has a 2-bit field to define it.

Two basic kinds of users are supported:

- Clients use a domain
- Managers control the behavior of the domain

The domains are defined in the Domain Access Control Register. **Figure 7-8: Domain access control register format** illustrates how the 32 bits of the register are allocated to define the 16 2-bit domains.

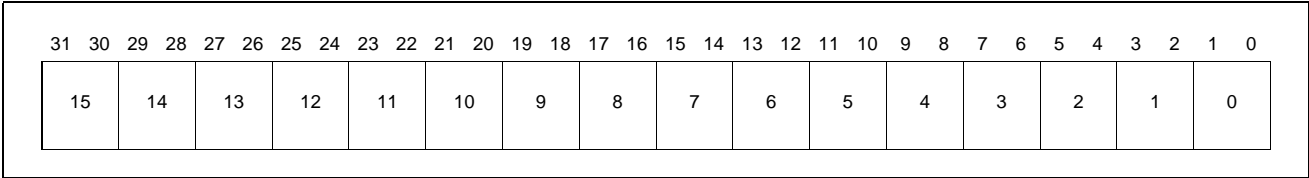


Figure 7-8: Domain access control register format

**Table 7-6: Interpreting access bits in domain access control register** defines how the bits within each domain are interpreted to specify the access permissions.

Value	Meaning	Notes
00	No Access	Any access generates a Domain Fault.
01	Client	Accesses are checked against the access permission bits in the Section or Page descriptor.
10	Reserved	Reserved. Currently behaves like the no access mode.
11	Manager	Accesses are <i>not</i> checked against the Access Permission bits so a Permission fault cannot be generated.

Table 7-6: Interpreting access bits in domain access control register

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## 7.14 Fault Checking Sequence

The sequence by which the MMU checks for access faults is slightly different for Sections and Pages. The figure below illustrates the sequence for both types of accesses. The sections and figures that follow describe the conditions that generate each of the faults.

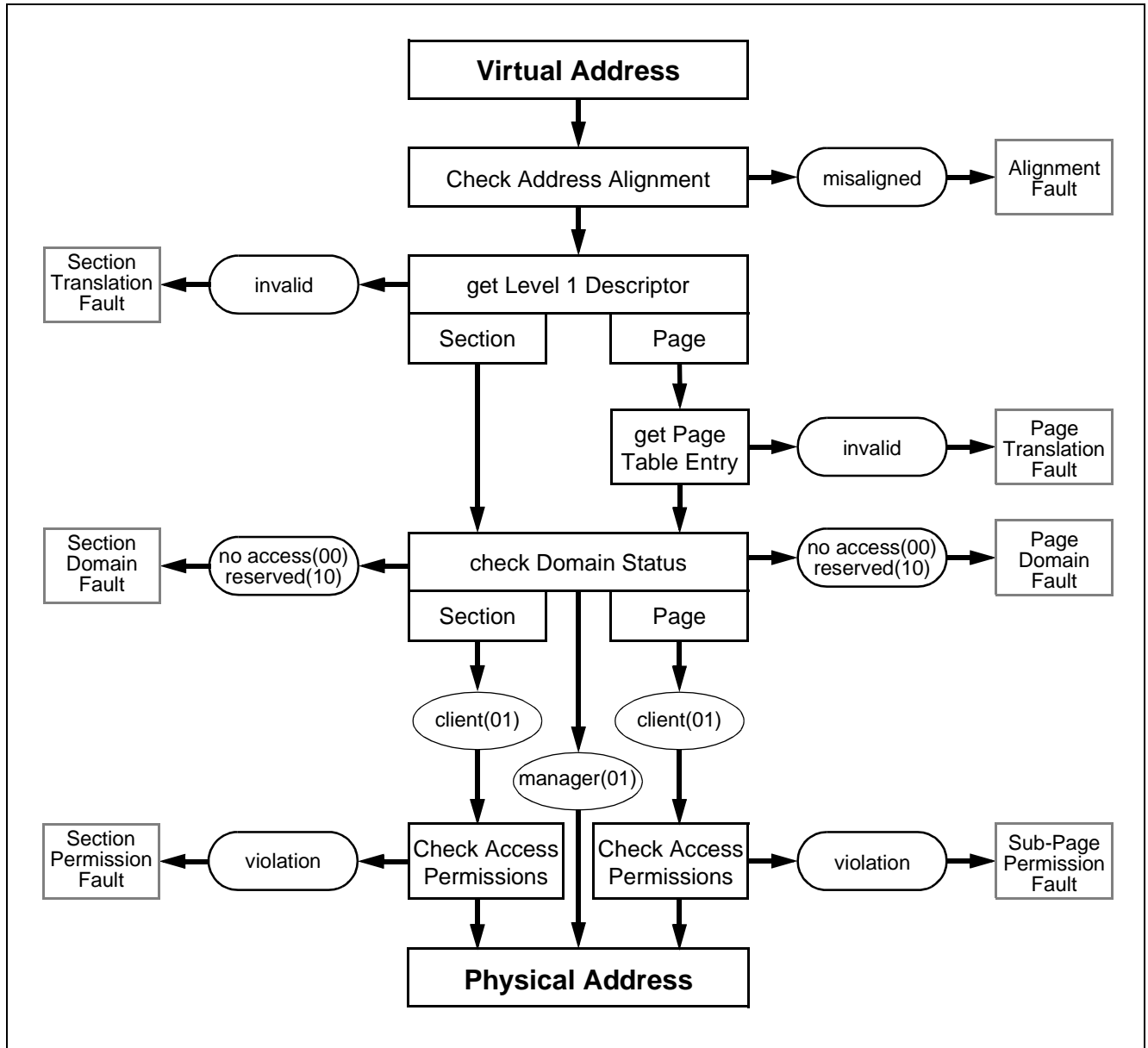


Figure 7-9: Sequence for checking faults

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## 7.14.1 Alignment fault

If Alignment Fault is enabled (bit 1 in Control Register set), the MMU generates an Alignment Fault on any data word access without a word-aligned address, irrespective of whether the MMU is enabled or not. In other words, if either of virtual address bits [1:0] are not 0, the Alignment Fault is enabled.

An Alignment Fault is not generated on any instruction fetch, nor on any byte access.

**Note** *If the access generates an alignment fault, the access sequence abort without reference to further permission checks.*

## 7.14.2 Translation fault

There are two types of Translation Fault:

- |         |  |
|---------|--|
| section | is generated if the Level 1 Descriptor is marked as invalid. This happens if bits[1:0] of the descriptor are both 0 or both 1. |
| page    | is generated if the Page Table Entry is marked as invalid. This happens if bits[1:0] of the entry are both 0 or both 1.        |

## 7.14.3 Domain fault

There are two types of Domain Fault:

- section
- page

In both cases, the Level 1 Descriptor holds the 4-bit Domain field which selects one of the 16 2-bit domains in the Domain Access Control Register. The two bits of the specified domain are then checked for access permissions as detailed in **Table 7-3: Interpreting access permission (AP) bits** on page 7-7.

For a section the domain is checked when the Level 1 Descriptor is returned.

For a page the domain is checked when the Page Table Entry is returned.

If the specified access is either No Access (00) or Reserved (10), either a Section Domain Fault or Page Domain Fault occurs.

## 7.14.4 Permission fault

There are two types of permission fault:

- section
- sub-page

Permission fault is checked at the same time as Domain fault. If the 2-bit domain field returns client (01), the permission access check is invoked as follows:

- |          |   |
|----------|---|
| section  | If the Level 1 Descriptor defines a section-mapped access, the AP bits of the descriptor define whether or not the access is allowed according to <b>Table 7-3: Interpreting access permission (AP) bits</b> on page 7-7. Their interpretation depends on the setting of the S bit (Control Register bit 8). If the access is not allowed, a Section Permission fault is generated. |
| sub-page | If the Level 1 Descriptor defines a page-mapped access, the Level 2 Descriptor specifies four access permission fields (ap3...ap0) each corresponding to one quarter of the page.   |

For small pages:

- ap3 is selected by the top 1KB of the page
- ap0 is selected by the bottom 1KB of the page

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For large pages:

- ap3 is selected by the top 16KB of the page
- ap0 is selected by the bottom 16KB of the page.

The selected AP bits are then interpreted in exactly the same way as for a section (see **Table 7-3: Interpreting access permission (AP) bits** on page 7-7), the only difference is that the fault generated is a sub-page permission fault.

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## 7.15 External Aborts

In addition to the MMU-generated aborts, ARM720T has an external abort pin, **BERROR**, which may be used to flag an error on an external memory access. However, not all accesses can be aborted in this way, so this pin must be used with great care. The following information describes the restrictions.

The following accesses may be aborted and restarted safely. If any of the following are aborted the external access stops on the next cycle.

- Reads
- Unbuffered writes
- Level 1 Descriptor fetch
- Level 2 Descriptor fetch
- read-lock-write sequence

In the case of a read-lock-write sequence in which the read aborts, the write does not happen.

### Cacheable reads (linefetches)

A linefetch may be safely aborted on any word in the transfer.

If an abort occurs during the linefetch, the cache is purged, so it does not contain invalid data.

If the abort happens on a word that has been requested by the ARM720T, it is aborted, otherwise the cache line is purged but program flow is *not* interrupted. The line is therefore purged under all circumstances.

### Buffered writes

Buffered writes cannot be externally aborted. Therefore, the system should be configured such that it does not attempt buffered writes to areas of memory which are capable of flagging an external abort.

**Note** *Areas of memory which can generate an external abort on a location which has previously been read successfully must not be marked a cacheable or unbufferable. This applies to both the MMU page tables and the configuration register. If all writes to an area of memory abort, it is recommended that you mark it as read-only in the MMU, otherwise mark it as uncacheable and unbufferable.*



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## 7.16 Interaction of the MMU, IDC and Write Buffer

The MMU, IDC and WB may be enabled/disabled independently. However, in order for the write buffer or the cache to be enabled the MMU must also be enabled. There are no hardware interlocks on these restrictions, so invalid combinations cause undefined results.

MMU	IDC	WB
off	off	off
on	off	off
on	on	off
on	off	on
on	on	on

**Table 7-7: Valid MMU, IDC and write buffer combinations**

The following procedures must be observed.

### 7.16.1 Enabling the MMU

To enable the MMU:

- 1 Program the Translation Table Base and Domain Access Control Registers.
- 2 Program Level 1 and Level 2 page tables as required.
- 3 Enable the MMU by setting bit 0 in the Control Register.

**Note** Care must be taken if the translated address differs from the untranslated address as the two instructions following the enabling of the MMU will have been fetched using “flat translation” and enabling the MMU may be considered as a branch with delayed execution. A similar situation occurs when the MMU is disabled. Consider the following code sequence:

```
MOV R1, #0x1
MCR 15,0,R1,0,0      ; Enable MMU
Fetch Flat
Fetch Flat
Fetch Translated
```

### 7.16.2 Disabling the MMU

To disable the MMU:

- 1 Disable the WB by clearing bit 3 in the Control Register.
- 2 Disable the IDC by clearing bit 2 in the Control Register.
- 3 Disable the MMU by clearing bit 0 in the Control Register.

Disabling of all three functions may be done simultaneously.

**Note** If the MMU is enabled, disabled and subsequently re-enabled, the contents of the TLB are preserved. If these are now invalid, the TLB should be flushed before re-enabling the MMU.

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## Debug Interface

This chapter describes the ARM720T advanced debug interface.

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## 8.1 Overview

In this chapter ARM7DMT refers to the ARM7TDMI core excluding the EmbeddedICE Macrocell. The ARM7DMT debug interface is based on IEEE Std. 1149.1-1990, “*Standard Test Access Port and Boundary-Scan Architecture*”. Please refer to this standard for an explanation of the terms used in this chapter and for a description of the TAP controller states.

### 8.1.1 Debug extensions

ARM7DMT contains hardware extensions for advanced debugging features. These are intended to ease the user's development of application software, operating systems, and the hardware itself.

The debug extensions allow the core to be stopped either on a given instruction fetch (breakpoint) or data access (watchpoint), or asynchronously by a debug-request. When this happens, ARM7DMT is said to be in *debug state*. At this point, the core's internal state and the system's external state may be examined. Once examination is complete, the core and system state may be restored and program execution resumed.

#### Debug state

ARM7DMT is forced into debug state either by a request on one of the external debug interface signals, or by an internal functional unit known as *EmbeddedICE*. Once in debug state, the core isolates itself from the memory system. The core can then be examined while all other system activity continues as normal.

#### Internal state

ARM7DMT's internal state is examined via a JTAG-style serial interface, which allows instructions to be serially inserted into the core's pipeline without using the external data bus so, when in debug state, a store-multiple (STM) could be inserted into the instruction pipeline and this would dump the contents of ARM7DMT's registers. This data can be serially shifted out without affecting the rest of the system.

### 8.1.2 Pullup resistors

The IEEE 1149.1 standard effectively requires that **TDI** and **TMS** should have internal pullup resistors. In order to minimise static current draw, these resistors are *not* fitted to ARM7DMT. Accordingly, the four inputs to the test interface (the above three signals plus **TCK**) must all be driven to good logic levels to achieve normal circuit operation.

### 8.1.3 Instruction register

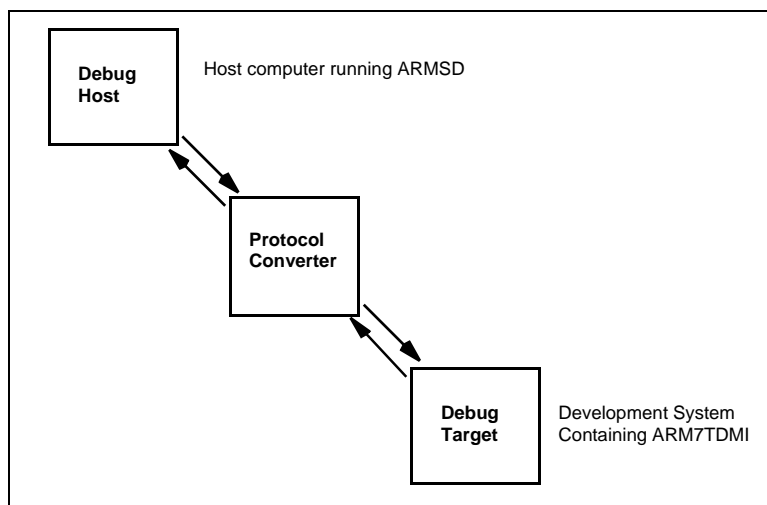
The instruction register is 4 bits in length.

There is no parity bit. The fixed value loaded into the instruction register during the CAPTURE-IR controller state is 0001.

## 8.2 Debug Systems

The ARM7DMT forms one component of a debug system that interfaces from the high-level debugging performed by the user to the low-level interface supported by ARM7DMT. Such a system typically has three parts:

The Debug Host	This is a computer, for example a PC, running a software debugger such as ARMSD. The debug host allows the user to issue high level commands such as “set breakpoint at location XX”, or “examine the contents of memory from 0x0 to 0x100”.
The Protocol Converter	The Debug Host is connected to the ARM7DMT development system via an interface (an RS232, for example). The messages broadcast over this connection must be converted to the interface signals of the ARM7DMT, and this function is performed by the protocol converter.
ARM7DMT	ARM7DMT, with hardware extensions to ease debugging, is the lowest level of the system. The debug extensions allow the user to stall the core from program execution, examine its internal state and the state of the memory system, and then resume program execution.



**Figure 8-1: Typical debug system**

The anatomy of ARM7DMT is shown in **Figure 8-2: ARM7DMT scan chain arrangement** on page 8-5. The major blocks are:

ARM7DMT	This is the CPU core, with hardware support for debug.
EmbeddedICE	This is a set of registers and comparators used to generate debug exceptions (for example, breakpoints). This unit is described in <b>Chapter 9, EmbeddedICE Macrocell</b> .
TAP controller	This controls the action of the scan chains via a JTAG serial interface.

The Debug Host and the Protocol Converter are system dependent. The rest of this chapter describes the ARM7DMT's hardware debug extensions.

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## 8.3 Entering Debug State

ARM7DMT is forced into debug state after a breakpoint, watchpoint or debug request has occurred. Conditions under which a breakpoint or watchpoint occur can be programmed using EmbeddedICE. Alternatively, external logic can monitor the address and data bus, and flag breakpoints and watchpoints via the BREAKPT pin.

### 8.3.1 Entering debug state on breakpoint

After an instruction has been breakpointed, the core does not enter debug state immediately. Instructions are marked as being breakpointed as they enter ARM7DMT's instruction pipeline. Thus ARM7DMT only enters debug state when (and if) the instruction reaches the pipeline's execute stage.

There are two reasons why a breakpointed instruction may not cause ARM7DMT to enter debug state:

- a branch precedes the breakpointed instruction. When the branch is executed, the instruction pipeline is flushed and the breakpoint is cancelled.
- an exception has occurred. Again, the instruction pipeline is flushed and the breakpoint is cancelled. However, the normal way to exit from an exception is to branch back to the instruction that would have executed next. This involves refilling the pipeline, and so the breakpoint can be re-flagged.

When a breakpointed conditional instruction reaches the execute stage of the pipeline, the breakpoint is *always* taken and ARM7DMT enters debug state, regardless of whether the condition was met.

Breakpointed instructions *are not* executed. Instead, ARM7DMT enters debug state. Thus, when the internal state is examined, the state *before* the breakpointed instruction is seen. Once examination is complete, the breakpoint should be removed and program execution restarted from the previously breakpointed instruction.

### 8.3.2 Entering debug state on watchpoint

Watchpoints occur on data accesses. A watchpoint is always taken, but the core may not enter debug state immediately. In all cases, the current instruction does complete. If this is a multi-word load or store (LDM or STM), many cycles may elapse before the watchpoint is taken.

Watchpoints can be thought of as being similar to data aborts. The difference is that if a data abort occurs, although the instruction completes, all subsequent changes to ARM7DMT's state are prevented. This allows the cause of the abort to be cured by the abort handler, and the instruction re-executed. In the case of a watchpoint, the instruction completes and all changes to the core's state occur (load data is written into the destination registers, and base writeback occurs). Thus, the instruction does not need to be restarted.

Watchpoints are *always* taken. If an exception is pending when a watchpoint occurs, the core enters debug state in the mode of that exception.

### 8.3.3 Entering debug state on debug-request

ARM7DMT may also be forced into debug state on debug request. This can be done either through EmbeddedICE programming (see **Chapter 9, EmbeddedICE Macrocell**), or by the assertion of the DBGRQ pin. This pin is an asynchronous input and is thus synchronized by logic inside ARM7DMT before it takes effect. Following synchronisation, the core normally enters debug state at the end of the current instruction. However, if the current instruction is a busy-waiting access to a coprocessor, the instruction terminates and ARM7DMT enters debug state immediately (this is similar to the action of **nIRQ** and **nFIQ**).

## 8.4 Scan Chains and JTAG Interface

There are three JTAG style scan chains inside ARM7DMT and an additional scan chain inside ARM720T. These allow testing, debugging, and EmbeddedICE programming.

In addition, support is provided for an optional fourth scan chain. This is intended to be used for an external boundary scan chain around the pads of a packaged device. The control signals provided for this scan chain are described later.

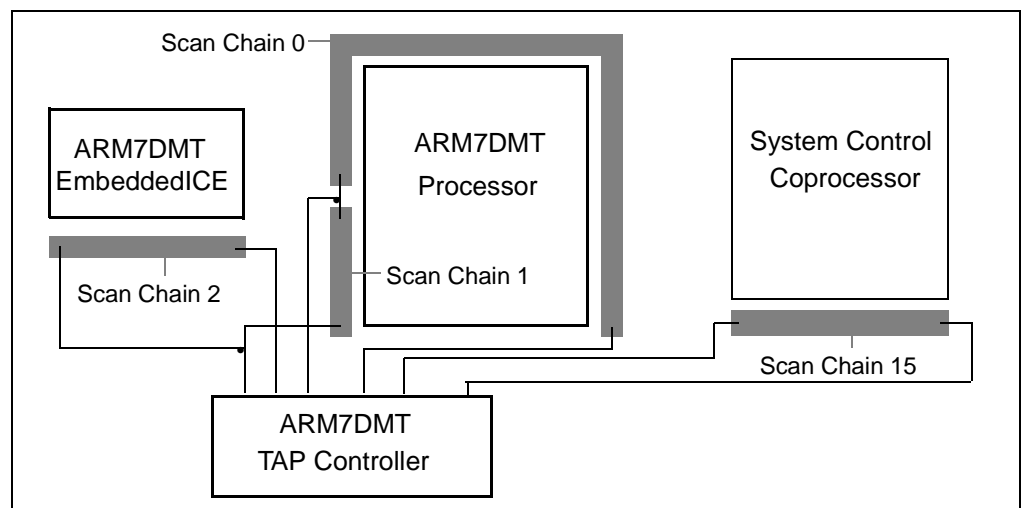
The scan chains are controlled from a JTAG-style *Test Access Port (TAP)* controller. For further details of the JTAG specification, please refer to IEEE Standard 1149.1-1990 “*Standard Test Access Port and Boundary-Scan Architecture*”.

**Note** *The scan cells are not fully JTAG-compliant. The following sections describe the limitations on their use.*

### 8.4.1 Scan limitations

The three scan paths are referred to as scan chain 0, 1 and 2: these are shown in **Figure 8-2: ARM7DMT scan chain arrangement**.

Scan chain 0	allows access to the entire periphery of the ARM7DMT core, including the data bus. The scan chain functions allow inter-device testing (EXTEST) and serial testing of the core (INTEST). The order of the scan chain (from <b>SDIN</b> to <b>SDOUTMS</b> ) is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• data bus bits 0 through 3</li> <li>• the control signals</li> <li>• the address bus bits 31 through 0</li> </ul>
Scan chain 1	is a subset of the signals that are accessible through scan chain 0. Access to the core's data bus <b>D[31:0]</b> , and the <b>BREAKPT</b> signal is available serially. There are 33 bits in this scan chain; the order is (from serial data in to out): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• data bus bits 0 through 31</li> <li>• <b>BREAKPT</b></li> </ul>
Scan Chain 2	allows access to the EmbeddedICE registers. See <b>Chapter 9, EmbeddedICE Macrocell</b> for details.
Scan Chain 15	allows access to the System Control Coprocessor registers.



**Figure 8-2: ARM7DMT scan chain arrangement**

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## 8.4.2 The JTAG state machine

The process of serial test and debug is best explained in conjunction with the JTAG state machine. **Figure 8-3: Test access port (TAP) controller state transitions** shows the state transitions that occur in the TAP controller. The state numbers are also shown on the diagram.

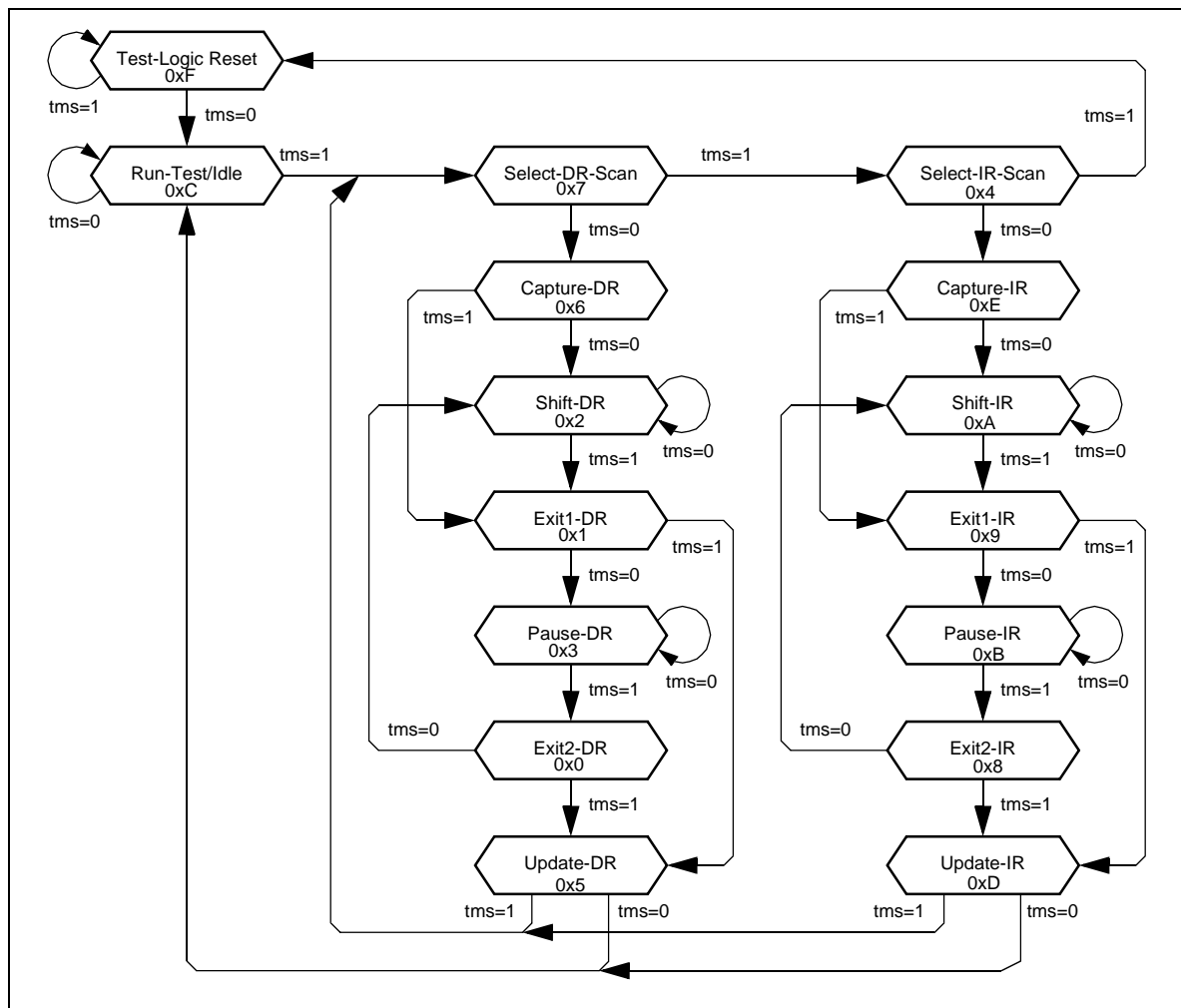


Figure 8-3: Test access port (TAP) controller state transitions



## 8.5 Reset

The boundary-scan interface includes a state-machine controller (the TAP controller). In order to force the TAP controller into the correct state after power-up of the device, a reset pulse must be applied to the **nTRST** signal.

If the boundary scan interface is to be used, **nTRST** must be driven LOW, and then HIGH again. If the boundary scan interface is not to be used, the **nTRST** input may be tied permanently LOW.

**Note** *A clock on **TCK** is not necessary to reset the device.*

The action of reset is as follows:

- 1 System mode is selected (the boundary scan chain cells do *not* intercept any of the signals passing between the external system and the core).
- 2 The IDCODE instruction is selected. If the TAP controller is put into the Shift-DR state and **TCK** is pulsed, the contents of the ID register is clocked out of **TDO**.

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## 8.6 Public Instructions

The public instructions are listed below. In the descriptions that follow, **TDI** and **TMS** are sampled on the rising edge of **TCK** and all output transitions on **TDO** occur as a result of the falling edge of **TCK**.

EXTEST	0000	places the selected scan chain in test mode. This instruction connects the selected scan chain between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b> . When the instruction register is loaded with EXTEST, all the scan cells are placed in their test mode of operation.
		CAPTURE-DR Inputs from the system logic and outputs from the output scan cells to the system are captured by the scan cells.
		SHIFT-DR The previously captured test data is shifted out of the scan chain via <b>TDO</b> , while new test data is shifted in via the <b>TDI</b> input. This data is applied immediately to the system logic and system pins.
SCAN_N	0010	connects the Scan Path Select Register between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b> . On reset, scan chain 3 is selected by default. The scan path select register is 4 bits long in this implementation, although no finite length is specified.
		CAPTURE-DR The fixed value 1000 is loaded into the register.
		SHIFT-DR The ID number of the desired scan path is shifted into the scan path select register
INTEST	1100	UPDATE-DR The scan register of the selected scan chain is connected between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b> , and remains connected until a subsequent SCAN_N instruction is issued.
		places the selected scan chain test mode. This instruction connects the selected scan chain between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b> . When the instruction register is loaded with this instruction, all the scan cells are placed in their test mode of operation. Single-step operation is possible using the INTEST instruction.
		CAPTURE-DR The value of the data applied from the core logic to the output scan cells, and the value of the data applied from the system logic to the input scan cells is captured.
		SHIFT-DR The previously captured test data is shifted out of the scan chain via the <b>TDO</b> pin, while new test data is shifted in via the <b>TDI</b> pin.

IDCODE	1110	<p>connects the device identification register (or ID register) between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b>. The ID register is a 32-bit register that allows the manufacturer, part number and version of a component to be determined through the TAP. See <b>8.7.2 ARM7DMT device identification (ID) code register</b> on page 8-11 for the details of the ID register format.</p> <p>When the instruction register is loaded with this instruction, all the scan cells are placed in their normal (system) mode of operation.</p> <p>CAPTURE-DR The device identification code is captured by the ID register</p> <p>SHIFT-DR The previously captured device identification code is shifted out of the ID register via the <b>TDO</b> pin, while data is shifted in via the <b>TDI</b> pin into the ID register.</p> <p>UPDATE-DR The ID register is unaffected.</p>
BYPASS	1111	<p>connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b>.</p> <p>When this instruction is loaded into the instruction register, all the scan cells are placed in their normal (system) mode of operation. This instruction has no effect on the system pins.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> All unused instruction codes default to the bypass instruction.</p> <p>CAPTURE-DR A logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.</p> <p>SHIFT-DR Test data is shifted into the bypass register via <b>TDI</b> and out via <b>TDO</b> after a delay of one <b>TCK</b> cycle. Note that the first bit shifted out is a zero.</p> <p>UPDATE-DR The bypass register is not affected.</p>
CLAMP	0101	<p>connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b>.</p> <p>When this instruction is loaded into the instruction register, the state of all the output signals is defined by the values previously loaded into the currently loaded scan chain.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This instruction should only be used when scan chain 0 is the currently selected scan chain.</p> <p>CAPTURE-DR A logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.</p> <p>SHIFT-DR Test data is shifted into the bypass register via <b>TDI</b> and out via <b>TDO</b> after a delay of one <b>TCK</b> cycle. Note that the first bit shifted out is a zero.</p> <p>UPDATE-DR The bypass register is not affected.</p>

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HIGHZ	0111	<p>connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b>.</p> <p>When this instruction is loaded into the instruction register, the Address bus, <b>A[31:0]</b>, the data bus, <b>D[31:0]</b>, plus <b>nRW</b>, <b>nOPC</b>, <b>LOCK</b>, <b>MAS[1:0]</b>, and <b>nTRANS</b> are all driven to the high impedance state and the external <b>HIGHZ</b> signal is driven HIGH. This is as if the signal <b>TBE</b> had been driven LOW.</p> <p>CAPTURE-DR A logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.</p> <p>SHIFT-DR Test data is shifted into the bypass register via <b>TDI</b> and out via <b>TDO</b> after a delay of one <b>TCK</b> cycle. Note that the first bit shifted out is a zero.</p> <p>UPDATE-DR The bypass register is not affected.</p>
CLAMPZ	1001	<p>connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b>.</p> <p>When this instruction is loaded into the instruction register, all the 3-state outputs (as described above) are placed in their inactive state, but the data supplied to the outputs is derived from the scan cells. The purpose of this instruction is to ensure that, during production test, each output can be disabled when its data value is either a logic 0 or a logic 1.</p> <p>CAPTURE-DR A logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.</p> <p>SHIFT-DR Test data is shifted into the bypass register via <b>TDI</b> and out via <b>TDO</b> after a delay of one <b>TCK</b> cycle. Note that the first bit shifted out will be a zero.</p> <p>UPDATE-DR The bypass register is not affected.</p>
RESTART	0100	<p>restarts the processor on exit from debug state. It connects the bypass register between <b>TDI</b> and <b>TDO</b> and the TAP controller behaves as if the bypass instruction had been loaded. The processor resynchronizes back to the memory system once the RUN-TEST/IDLE state is entered.</p>
SAMPLE/ PRELOAD	0011	<p><b>Note:</b> This instruction is included for production test only, and should never be used.</p>

## 8.7 Test Data Registers

There are six test data registers which may be connected between **TDI** and **TDO**:

- Bypass Register
- ID Code Register
- Instruction Register
- Scan Chain Select Register
- Scan chain 0, 1 or 2.

These are described in detail in the following sections.

### 8.7.1 Bypass register

This register bypasses the device during scan testing by providing a path between **TDI** and **TDO**. The bypass register is 1 bit in length.

#### Operating mode

When the **BYPASS** instruction is the current instruction in the instruction register, serial data is transferred from **TDI** to **TDO** in the **SHIFT-DR** state with a delay of one **TCK** cycle.

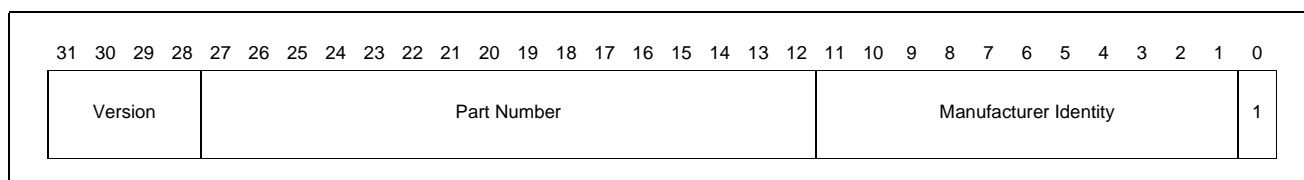
There is no parallel output from the bypass register.

A logic 0 is loaded from the parallel input of the bypass register in the **CAPTURE-DR** state.

### 8.7.2 ARM7DMT device identification (ID) code register

This register reads the 32-bit device identification code. No programmable supplementary identification code is provided. The register is 32 bits in length.

The format of the ID register is as follows:



**Figure 8-4: ID register description**

Please contact your supplier for the correct Device Identification Code.

#### Operating mode

When the **IDCODE** instruction is current, the ID register is selected as the serial path between **TDI** and **TDO**.

There is no parallel output from the ID register.

The 32-bit device identification code is loaded into the ID register from its parallel inputs during the **CAPTURE-DR** state.

### 8.7.3 Instruction register

This register changes the current TAP instruction. The register is 4 bits in length

#### Operating mode

When in the **SHIFT-IR** state, the instruction register is selected as the serial path between **TDI** and **TDO**.

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During the CAPTURE-IR state, the value 0001 binary is loaded into this register. This is shifted out during SHIFT-IR *least significant bit (lsb)* first, while a new instruction is shifted in (lsb first).

During the UPDATE-IR state, the value in the instruction register becomes the current instruction.

On reset, IDCODE becomes the current instruction.

## 8.7.4 Scan chain select register

This register changes the current active scan chain. The register is 4 bits in length.

### Operating mode

After SCAN\_N has been selected as the current instruction, when in the SHIFT-DR state, the Scan Chain Select Register is selected as the serial path between **TDI** and **TDO**.

During the CAPTURE-DR state, the value 1000 binary is loaded into this register. This is shifted out during SHIFT-DR (lsb first), while a new value is shifted in (lsb first).

During the UPDATE-DR state, the value in the register selects a scan chain to become the currently active scan chain. All further instructions, such as INTEST, then apply to that scan chain.

The currently selected scan chain only changes when a SCAN\_N instruction is executed, or a reset occurs. On reset, scan chain 3 is selected as the active scan chain.

The number of the currently selected scan chain is reflected on the **SCREG[3:0]** outputs. The TAP controller may be used to drive external scan chains in addition to those within the ARM7DMT macrocell. The external scan chain must be assigned a number and control signals for it can be derived from **SCREG[3:0]**, **IR[3:0]**, **TAPSM[3:0]**, **TCK1** and **TCK2**.

The list of scan chain numbers allocated by ARM are shown in **Table 8-1: Scan chain number allocation**. An external scan chain may take any other number. The serial data stream to be applied to the external scan chain is made present on **SDINBS**, the serial data back from the scan chain must be presented to the TAP controller on the **SDOUTBS** input.

The scan chain present between **SDINBS** and **SDOUTBS** will be connected between **TDI** and **TDO** whenever scan chain 3 is selected, or when any of the unassigned scan chain numbers is selected. If there is more than one external scan chain, a multiplexer must be built externally to apply the desired scan chain output to **SDOUTBS**. The multiplexer can be controlled by decoding **SCREG[3:0]**.

Scan Chain Number	Function
0	Macrocell scan test
1	Debug
2	EmbeddedICE programming
3	External boundary scan
4	Reserved
8	Reserved
15	System Control Coprocessor

**Table 8-1: Scan chain number allocation**

## 8.7.5 Overview of scan chains 0,1, 2 and 15

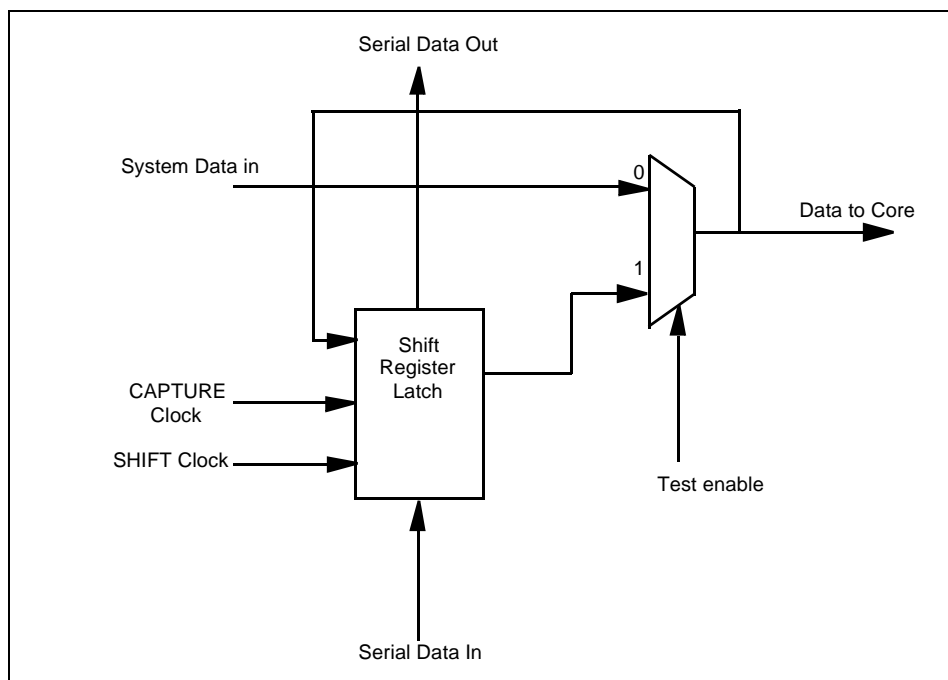
These allow serial access to the core logic, and to EmbeddedICE for programming purposes. They are described in detail below.

Scan chains 0 and 1 allow access to the processor core for test and debug. They have the following length:

Scan chain 0	105 bits
Scan chain 1	33 bits

Each scan chain cell is fairly simple, and consists of a serial register and a multiplexer. The scan cells perform two basic functions:

- capture** For input cells, the capture stage involves copying the value of the system input to the core into the serial register.  
For output cells, capture involves placing the value of a core's output into the serial register.
- shift** For input cells, during shift, this value is output serially. The value applied to the core from an input cell is either the system input or the contents of the serial register, and this is controlled by the multiplexer.  
For output cells, during shift, this value is serially output as before. The value applied to the system from an output cell is either the core output, or the contents of the serial register.



**Figure 8-5: Input scan cell**

All the control signals for the scan cells are generated internally by the TAP controller. The action of the TAP controller is determined by the current instruction, and the state of the TAP state machine. This is described in the following section.

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## Operating modes

The scan chains have three basic modes of operation. These are selected by the various TAP controller instructions.

SYSTEM mode	The scan cells are idle. System data is applied to inputs, and core outputs are applied to the system.
INTEST mode	The core is internally tested. The data serially scanned in is applied to the core, and the resulting outputs are captured in the output cells and scanned out.
EXTEST mode	Data is scanned onto the core's outputs and applied to the external system. System input data is captured in the input cells and then shifted out.

**Note** *The scan cells are not fully JTAG-compliant in that they do not have an Update stage. Therefore, while data is being moved around the scan chain, the contents of the scan cell is not isolated from the output. Thus the output from the scan cell to the core or to the external system could change on every scan clock.*

*This does not affect ARM7DMT because its internal state does not change until it is clocked. However, the rest of the system needs to be aware that every output could change asynchronously as data is moved around the scan chain. External logic must ensure that this does not harm the rest of the system.*

## 8.7.6 Scan chain 0

Scan chain 0 is intended primarily for inter-device testing (EXTEST), and testing the core (INTEST). Scan chain 0 is selected via the SCAN\_N instruction.

### Serial testing the core

INTEST allows serial testing of the core. The TAP Controller must be placed in INTEST mode after scan chain 0 has been selected.

- During CAPTURE-DR, the current outputs from the core's logic are captured in the output cells.
- During SHIFT-DR, this captured data is shifted out while a new serial test pattern is scanned in, thus applying known stimuli to the inputs.
- During RUN-TEST/IDLE, the core is clocked. Normally, the TAP controller should only spend 1 cycle in RUN-TEST/IDLE.

The whole operation may then be repeated.

See **8.8 ARM7DMT Core Clocks** on page 8-17 for details of the core's clocks during test and debug.

### Inter-device testing

EXTEST allows inter-device testing, which is useful for verifying the connections between devices on a circuit board. The TAP Controller must be placed in EXTEST mode after scan chain 0 has been selected.

- During CAPTURE-DR, the current inputs to the core's logic from the system are captured in the input cells.
- During SHIFT-DR, this captured data is shifted out while a new serial test pattern is scanned in, thus applying known values on the core's outputs.
- During UPDATE-DR, the value shifted into the data bus **D[31:0]** scan cells appears on the outputs. For all other outputs, the value appears as the data is shifted round.

**Note** *During RUN-TEST/IDLE, the core is not clocked.*



The operation may then be repeated. The ordering of signals on scan chain 0 is outlined in **Table 8-3: Scan Chain 0: Signals and position** on page 8-26.

## 8.7.7 Scan chain 1

The primary use for scan chain 1 is for debugging, although it can be used for EXTEST on the data bus. Scan chain 1 is selected via the SCAN\_N TAP Controller instruction. Debugging is similar to INTEST, and the procedure described above for scan chain 0 should be followed.

### Scan chain length and purpose

This scan chain is 33 bits long—32 bits for the data value, plus the scan cell on the **BREAKPT** core input. This 33rd bit serves four purposes:

- 1 Under normal INTEST test conditions, it allows a known value to be scanned into the **BREAKPT** input.
- 2 During EXTEST test conditions, the value applied to the **BREAKPT** input from the system can be captured.
- 3 While debugging, the value placed in the 33rd bit determines whether ARM7DMT synchronizes back to system speed before executing the instruction. See **8.10.5 System-speed access** on page 8-22 for further details.
- 4 After ARM7DMT has entered debug state, the first time this bit is captured and scanned out, its value tells the debugger whether the core entered debug state due to a breakpoint (bit 33 LOW), or a watchpoint (bit 33 HIGH).

## 8.7.8 Scan chain 2

This scan chain allows EmbeddedICE's registers to be accessed. The scan chain is 38 bits in length.

The order of the scan chain, from **TDI** to **TDO** is:

- read/write
- register address bits 4 to 0
- data value bits 31 to 0

See **Figure 9-2: EmbeddedICE block diagram** on page 9-5 for more information.

To access this serial register, scan chain 2 must first be selected via the SCAN\_N TAP controller instruction. The TAP controller must then be placed in INTEST mode.

- No action is taken during CAPTURE-DR.
- During SHIFT-DR, a data value is shifted into the serial register. Bits 32 to 36 specify the address of the EmbeddedICE register to be accessed.
- During UPDATE-DR, this register is either read or written depending on the value of bit 37 (0 = read). Refer to **Chapter 9, EmbeddedICE Macrocell** for further details.

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## 8.7.9 Scan chain 3

This scan chain allows ARM7DMT to control an external boundary scan chain. Scan chain 3 is provided so that an optional external boundary scan chain may be controlled via ARM7DMT. Typically, this would be used for a scan chain around the pad ring of a packaged device. Its length is user-defined.

The following control signals are provided. These are generated only when scan chain 3 has been selected. These outputs are inactive at all other times.

<b>DRIVEBS</b>	This would be used to switch the scan cells from system mode to test mode. This signal is asserted whenever either the INTEST, EXTEST, CLAMP or CLAMPZ instruction is selected.
<b>PCLKBS</b>	This is an update clock, generated in the UPDATE-DR state. Typically the value scanned into a chain would be transferred to the cell output on the rising edge of this signal.
<b>ICAPCLKBS</b> <b>ECAPCLKBS</b>	These are capture clocks used to sample data into the scan cells during INTEST and EXTEST respectively. These clocks are generated in the CAPTURE-DR state.
<b>SHCLKBS</b> <b>SHCLK2BS</b>	These are non-overlapping clocks generated in the SHIFT-DR state used to clock the master and slave element of the scan cells respectively. When the state machine is not in the SHIFT-DR state, both these clocks are LOW.
<b>nHIGHZ</b>	This signal may be used to drive the outputs of the scan cells to the high impedance state. This signal is driven LOW when the HIGHZ instruction is loaded into the instruction register, and HIGH at all other times.

### External scan chains

In addition to the above control outputs, the following are provided for use when an external scan chain is in use:

<b>SDINBS</b> output	should be connected to the serial data input.
<b>SDOUTBS</b> input	should be connected to the serial data output.

## 8.7.10 Scan chain 15

This scan chain allows access to the System Control Coprocessor registers. Scan chain 15 is selected via the SCAN\_N Tap controller instruction. This scan chain is 33 bits long—32 bits for the data/instruction value plus an additional bit which identifies the value as instruction (1) or data (0). This scan chain should only be used during INTEST. The order of the scan chain from **TDI** to **TDO** is:

- CPData [0:31]
- Instruction/Data Flag

## 8.8 ARM7DMT Core Clocks

ARM7DMT has two clocks:

- the memory clock, **MCLK**, generated by the ARM720T.
- an internally **TCK**-generated clock, **DCLK**.

During normal operation, the core is clocked by **MCLK**, and internal logic holds **DCLK** LOW.

There are two cases in which the clocks switch:

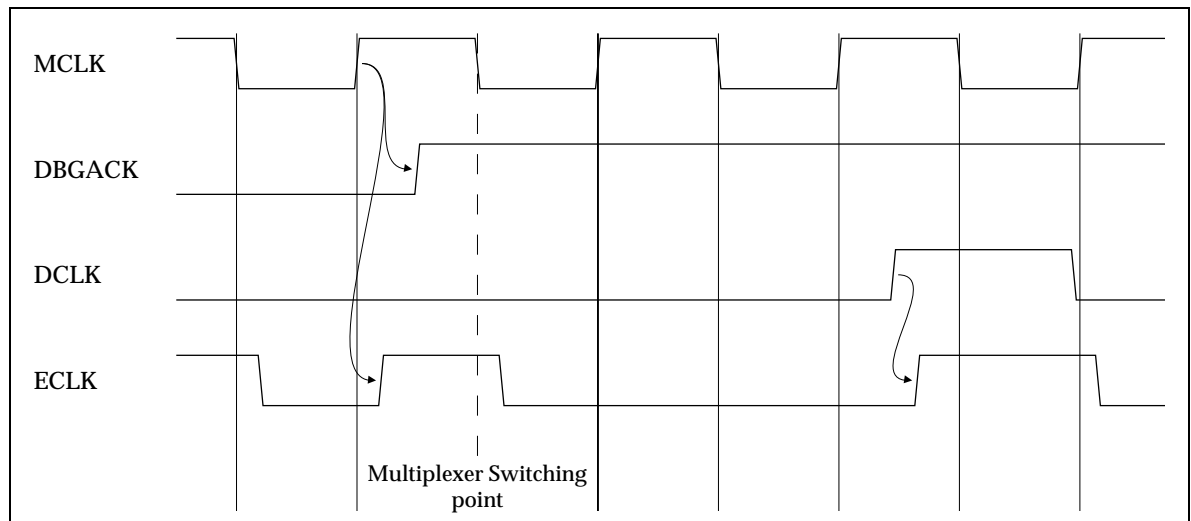
- during debugging
- during testing

### 8.8.1 Clock switch during debug

When ARM7DMT is in the debug state, the core is clocked by **DCLK** under the control of the TAP state machine, and **MCLK** may free run. The selected clock is output on the signal **ECLK** for use by the external system.

**Note** When the CPU core is being debugged and is running from **DCLK**, **nWAIT** has no effect.

When ARM7DMT enters debug state, it must switch from **MCLK** to **DCLK**. This is handled automatically by logic in the ARM7DMT. On entry to debug state, ARM7DMT asserts **DBGACK** in the HIGH phase of **MCLK**. The switch between the two clocks occurs on the next falling edge of **MCLK**. This is shown in **Figure 8-6: Clock Switching on entry to debug state**.



**Figure 8-6: Clock Switching on entry to debug state**

ARM7DMT is forced to use **DCLK** as the primary clock until debugging is complete. On exit from debug, the core must be allowed to synchronize back to **MCLK**. This must be done in the following sequence:

- 1 The final instruction of the debug sequence must be shifted into the data bus scan chain and clocked in by asserting **DCLK**.
- 2 At this point, **BYPASS** must be clocked into the TAP instruction register.
- 3 ARM7DMT now automatically resynchronizes back to **MCLK** and starts fetching instructions from memory at **MCLK** speed.

Please refer also to **8.9.4 Exit from debug state** on page 8-20.

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## 8.9 Determining the Core and System State

When ARM7DMT is in debug state, the core and system's state may be examined. This is done by forcing load and store multiples into the instruction pipeline.

### ARM or THUMB state

Before the core and system state can be examined, the debugger must first determine whether the processor was in THUMB or ARM state when it entered debug. This is achieved by examining bit 4 of EmbeddedICE's Debug Status Register. If this is HIGH, the core was in THUMB state when it entered debug.

### 8.9.1 Determining the core's state

If the processor has entered debug state from THUMB state, the simplest course of action is for the debugger to force the core back into ARM state. Once this is done, the debugger can always execute the same sequence of instructions to determine the processor's state.

While in debug state, only the following instructions may legally be scanned into the instruction pipeline for execution:

- all data-processing instructions, except TEQP
- all load, store, load multiple and store multiple instructions
- MSR and MRS

### Moving to ARM state

To force the processor into ARM state, the following sequence of THUMB instructions should be executed on the core:

```
STR R0, [R0]      ; Save R0 before use
MOV R0, PC        ; Copy PC into R0
STR R0, [R0]      ; Now save the PC in R0
BX PC            ; Jump into ARM state
MOV R8, R8        ; NOP
MOV R8, R8; NOP
```

As all THUMB instructions are only 16 bits long, the simplest course of action when shifting them into scan chain 1 is to repeat the instruction twice.

For example, the encoding for BX R0 is 0x4700. Therefore, if 0x47004700 is shifted into scan chain 1, the debugger does not have to keep track of which half of the bus the processor expects to read the data from.

From this point on, the processor's state can be determined by the sequences of ARM instructions described below.

### In ARM state

Once the processor is in ARM state, the first instruction executed would typically be:

```
STM R0, {R0-R15}
```

This makes the contents of the registers visible on the data bus. These values can then be sampled and shifted out.

**Note** *The above use of R0 as the base register for STM is for illustration only: any register could be used.*

## Accessing banked registers

After determining the values in the current bank of registers, it may be desirable to access the banked registers. This can only be done by changing mode. Normally, a mode change may only occur if the core is already in a privileged mode. However, while in debug state, a mode change from any mode into any other mode may occur.

**Note** *The debugger must restore the original mode before exiting debug state.*

For example, assume that the debugger had been asked to return the state of the USER and FIQ mode registers, and debug state was entered in supervisor mode.

The instruction sequence could be:

```
STM R0, {R0-R15}    ; Save current registers
MRS R0, CPSR
STR R0, R0           ; Save CPSR to determine current mode
BIC R0, 0x1F         ; Clear mode bits
ORR R0, 0x10         ; Select user mode
MSR CPSR, R0         ; Enter USER mode
STM R0, {R13,R14}    ; Save register not previously visible
ORR R0, 0x01         ; Select FIQ mode
MSR CPSR, R0         ; Enter FIQ mode
STM R0, {R8-R14}     ; Save banked FIQ registers
```

All these instructions are said to execute at *debug speed*. Debug speed is much slower than system speed because between each core clock, 33 scan clocks occur in order to shift in an instruction, or shift out data. Executing instructions more slowly than usual is fine for accessing the core's state because ARM7DMT is fully static. However, this same method cannot be used for determining the state of the rest of the system.

## 8.9.2 Determining system state

In order to meet the dynamic timing requirements of the memory system, any attempt to access system state must occur synchronously with it. Thus, ARM7DMT must be forced to synchronize back to system speed. This is controlled by the 33rd bit of scan chain 1.

Any instruction may be placed in scan chain 1 with bit 33 (the BREAKPT bit) LOW. This instruction is then executed at debug speed. To execute an instruction at system speed, the instruction prior to it must be scanned into scan chain 1 with bit 33 set HIGH.

After the system speed instruction has been scanned into the data bus and clocked into the pipeline, the BYPASS instruction must be loaded into the TAP controller. This makes the ARM7DMT automatically synchronize back to **MCLK** (the system clock), executes the instruction at system speed, and then re-enters debug state and switches itself back to the internally generated **DCLK**. When the instruction has completed, **DBGACK** is HIGH and the core will have switched back to **DCLK**. At this point, **INTEST** can be selected in the TAP controller, and debugging can resume.

In order to determine that a system speed instruction has completed, the debugger must look at both **DBGACK** and **nMREQ**. In order to access memory, ARM7DMT drives **nMREQ** LOW after it has synchronized back to system speed. This transition is used by the memory controller to arbitrate whether ARM7DMT can have the bus in the next cycle. If the bus is not available, ARM7DMT may have its clock stalled indefinitely.

Therefore, the only way to tell that the memory access has completed, is to examine the state of both **nMREQ** and **DBGACK**. When both are HIGH, the access has completed. Usually, the debugger would be using EmbeddedICE to control debugging, and by reading EmbeddedICE's status register, the state of **nMREQ** and **DBGACK** can be determined. Refer to **Chapter 9, EmbeddedICE Macrocell** for more details.

By the use of system speed load multiples and debug speed store multiples, the state of the system's memory can be fed back to the debug host.

## Restrictions

There are restrictions on which instructions may have the 33rd bit set. The only valid instructions where this bit can be set are:

- loads
- stores
- load multiple
- store multiple

See also **8.9.4 Exit from debug state**.

When ARM7DMT returns to debug state after a system speed access, bit 33 of scan chain 1 is set HIGH. This gives the debugger information about why the core entered debug state the first time this scan chain is read.

## 8.9.3 Determining system control coprocessor state

In order to access the System Control Coprocessor registers, debug state must be entered by a breakpoint, watchpoint or debug request. This ensures that the ARM7DMT core stops execution of code which may be dependent on the System Control Coprocessor.

Scan Chain 15 can then be selected via the **SCAN\_N** instruction.

Instructions may then be scanned down the scan chain as if being executed from the ARM7DMT core. As the ARM7DMT is idle while Scan Chain 15 is being accessed, it is necessary to provide the register data via the scan chain. The instruction prior to the data must have the instruction/data flag cleared.

The data operation requires an additional clock from the TAP controller. This may be achieved by remaining in the RUN-TEST-IDLE state for an additional **TCK** cycle.

## 8.9.4 Exit from debug state

Leaving debug state involves:

- 1 Restoring ARM7DMT's internal state.
- 2 Branching to the next instruction to be executed.
- 3 Synchronising back to **MCLK**.

After restoring internal state, a branch instruction must be loaded into the pipeline. See **8.10 The PC During Debug** on page 8-21 for details on calculating the branch.

Bit 33 of scan chain 1 is used to force ARM7DMT to resynchronize back to **MCLK**. The penultimate instruction of the debug sequence is scanned in with bit 33 set HIGH. The final instruction of the debug sequence is the branch, and this is scanned in with bit 33 LOW. The core is then clocked to load the branch into the pipeline. Now, the RESTART instruction is selected in the TAP controller.

When the state machine enters the RUN-TEST/IDLE state, the scan chain reverts back to system mode and clock resynchronization to **MCLK** occurs within ARM7DMT. ARM7DMT then resumes normal operation, fetching instructions from memory. This delay, until the state machine is in the RUN-TEST/IDLE state, allows conditions to be set up in other devices in a multiprocessor system without taking immediate effect. Then, when the RUN-TEST/IDLE state is entered, all the processors resume operation simultaneously.

## 8.10 The PC During Debug

So that ARM7DMT may be forced to branch back to the place at which program flow was interrupted by debug, the debugger must keep track of what happens to the PC.

There are five cases:

- breakpoint
- watchpoint
- watchpoint when another exception occurs
- debug request
- system-speed access

### 8.10.1 Breakpoint

Entry to the debug state from a breakpoint advances the PC by 4 addresses, or 16 bytes. Each instruction executed in debug state advances the PC by 1 address, or 4 bytes. The normal way to exit from debug state after a breakpoint is to remove the breakpoint, and branch back to the previously breakpointed address.

For example, if ARM7DMT entered debug state from a breakpoint set on a given address and two debug-speed instructions were executed, a branch of -7 addresses must occur (4 for debug entry, +2 for the instructions, +1 for the final branch).

The following sequence shows the data scanned into scan chain 1. This is msb (most significant bit) first, and so the first digit is the value placed in the BREAKPT bit, followed by the instruction data:

```
0 E0802000; ADD R2, R0, R0
1 E1826001; ORR R6, R2, R1
0 EFFFFFFF9; B -7 (2's complement)
```

Once in debug state, a minimum of two instructions must be executed before the branch, although these may both be NOPs, for example:

```
MOV R0, R0
```

For small branches, the final branch could be replaced by a subtract with the PC as the destination:

```
SUB PC, PC, #28
```

### 8.10.2 Watchpoint

Returning to program execution after entering debug state from a watchpoint is done in the same way as the procedure described above. Debug entry adds 4 addresses to the PC, and every instruction adds one address. The difference is that because the instruction that caused the watchpoint has executed, the program returns to the next instruction.

### 8.10.3 Watchpoint with another exception

If a watchpointed access simultaneously causes a data abort, ARM7DMT enters debug state in abort mode. Entry into debug is held off until the core has changed into abort mode, and fetched the instruction from the abort vector.

A similar sequence is followed when an interrupt, or any other exception, occurs during a watchpointed memory access. ARM7DMT enters debug state in the exception's mode, and so the debugger must check to see whether this happened. The debugger can deduce whether an exception occurred by looking at the current and previous mode (in the CPSR and SPSR), and the value of the PC. If an exception did take place, the user should be given the choice of whether to service the exception before debugging.



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## Exiting from debug state

Exiting debug state if an exception occurred is slightly different from the other cases. Here, entry to debug state causes the PC to be incremented by three addresses rather than four, and this must be taken into account in the return branch calculation. For example, suppose that an abort occurred on a watchpointed access and ten instructions had been executed to determine this. The following sequence could be used to return to program execution:

```
0 E1A00000; MOV R0, R0
1 E1A00000; MOV R0, R0
0 EAFFFFF0; B -16
```

This forces a branch back to the abort vector, causing the instruction at that location to be refetched and executed.

**Note** *After the abort service routine, the instruction which caused the abort and watchpoint is re-executed. This generates the watchpoint and ARM7DMT enters debug state again.*

## 8.10.4 Debug request

Entry into debug state via a debug request is similar to a breakpoint. However, unlike a breakpoint, the last instruction will have completed execution and so must not be refetched on exit from debug state. Therefore, entry to debug state adds three addresses to the PC, and every instruction executed in debug state adds 1.

For example, suppose that the user has invoked a debug request, and decides to return to program execution straight away. The following sequence could be used:

```
0 E1A00000; MOV R0, R0
1 E1A00000; MOV R0, R0
0 EAFFFFFA; B -6
```

This restores the PC, and restarts the program from the next instruction.

## 8.10.5 System-speed access

If a system-speed access is performed during debug state, the value of the PC is increased by three addresses. As system-speed instructions access the memory system, it is possible for aborts to take place. If an abort occurs during a system-speed memory access, ARM7DMT enters abort mode before returning to debug state.

This is similar to an aborted watchpoint except that the problem is much harder to fix, because the abort was not caused by an instruction in the main program, and the PC does not point to the instruction which caused the abort. An abort handler usually looks at the PC to determine the instruction which caused the abort, and hence the abort address. In this case, the value of the PC is invalid, but the debugger should know what location was being accessed. Thus, the debugger can be written to help the abort handler fix the memory system.



## 8.10.6 Summary of return address calculations

The calculation of the branch return address can be summarized as follows:

- For normal breakpoint and watchpoint, the branch is:
  - $(4 + N + 3S)$
- For entry through debug request (**DBGRQ**), or watchpoint with exception, the branch is:
  - $(3 + N + 3S)$

where:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| N | is the number of debug speed instructions executed (including the final branch). |
| S | is the number of system speed instructions executed.                             |

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## 8.11 Priorities and Exceptions

Because the normal program flow is broken when a breakpoint or a debug request occurs, debug can be thought of as being another type of exception. Some of the interaction with other exceptions has been described in earlier sections. This section summarizes these priorities.

### 8.11.1 Breakpoint with prefetch abort

When a breakpointed instruction fetch causes a prefetch abort, the abort is taken and the breakpoint is disregarded. Normally, prefetch aborts occur when, for example, an access is made to a virtual address which does not physically exist, and the returned data is therefore invalid.

In such a case, the operating system's normal action is to swap in the page of memory and return to the previously invalid address. Here, when the instruction is fetched, and providing the breakpoint is activated (it may be data-dependent), ARM7DMT enters debug state.

In this case, the prefetch abort takes higher priority than the breakpoint.

### 8.11.2 Interrupt

When ARM7DMT enters debug state, interrupts are automatically disabled. If interrupts are disabled during debug, ARM7DMT is never forced into an interrupt mode. Interrupts only have this effect on watchpointed accesses. They are ignored at all times on breakpoints.

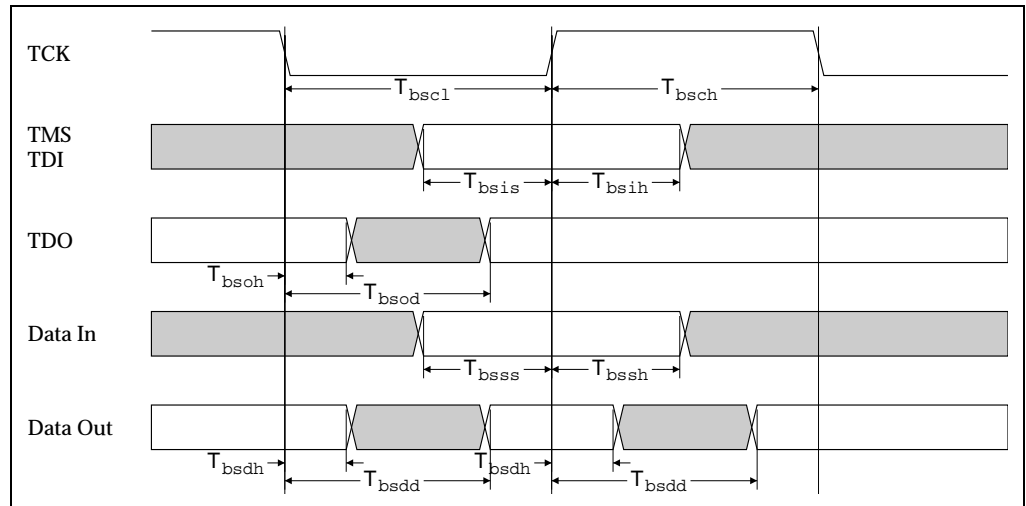
If an interrupt was pending during the instruction prior to entering debug state, ARM7DMT enters debug state in the mode of the interrupt. So, on entry to debug state, the debugger cannot assume that ARM7DMT is in the expected mode of the user's program. It must check the PC, the CPSR and the SPSR to fully determine the reason for the exception.

Debug takes higher priority than the interrupt, although ARM7DMT *remembers* that an interrupt has occurred.

### 8.11.3 Data aborts

When a data abort occurs on a watchpointed access, ARM7DMT enters debug state in abort mode. So, the watchpoint has higher priority than the abort, although, as in the case of interrupt, ARM7DMT remembers that the abort happened.

## 8.12 Scan Interface Timing



**Figure 8-7: Scan general timing**

In the following table, all units are ns. All delays are provisional and assume a process which achieves 33MHz **MCLK** maximum operating frequency.

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Type	Max	Notes
$T_{bscl}$	<b>TCK</b> low period	15.1			
$T_{bsch}$	<b>TCK</b> high period	15.1			
$T_{bsis}$	<b>TDI,TMS</b> setup to [TCr]	0			
$T_{bsih}$	<b>TDI,TMS</b> hold from [TCr]	0.9			
$T_{bsoh}$	<b>TDO</b> hold time	2.4			2
$T_{bsod}$	TCr to <b>TDO</b> valid			16.4	2
$T_{bsss}$	I/O signal setup to [TCr]	3.6			1
$T_{bssh}$	I/O signal hold from [TCr]	7.6			1
$T_{bsdh}$	data output hold time	2.4			2
$T_{bsdd}$	TCf to data output valid			17.1	2
$T_{bsr}$	Reset period	25			
$T_{bse}$	Output Enable time			16.4	2
$T_{bsz}$	Output Disable time			14.7	2

**Table 8-2: Scan interface timing**

### Notes

- For correct data latching, the I/O signals (from the core and the pads) must be setup and held with respect to the rising edge of **TCK** in the CAPTURE-DR state of the INTEST and EXTEST instructions.
- Assumes that the data outputs are loaded with the AC test loads.

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Key      I            Input  
           O            Output  
           I/O        Input/Output

No	Signal	Type	No	Signal	Type
1	D[0]	I/O	29	D[28]	I/O
2	D[1]	I/O	30	D[29]	I/O
3	D[2]	I/O	31	D[30]	I/O
4	D[3]	I/O	32	D[31]	I/O
5	D[4]	I/O	33	BREAKPT	I
6	D[5]	I/O	34	NENIN	I
7	D[6]	I/O	35	NENOUT	O
8	D[7]	I/O	36	LOCK	O
9	D[8]	I/O	37	BIGEND	I
10	D[9]	I/O	38	DBE	I
11	D[10]	I/O	39	MAS[0]	O
12	D[11]	I/O	40	MAS[1]	O
13	D[12]	I/O	41	BL[0]	I
14	D[13]	I/O	42	BL[1]	I
15	D[14]	I/O	43	BL[2]	I
16	D[15]	I/O	44	BL[3]	I
17	D[16]	I/O	45	DCTL **	O
18	D[17]	I/O	46	nRW	O
19	D[18]	I/O	47	DBGACK	O
20	D[19]	I/O	48	CGENDBGACK	O
21	D[20]	I/O	49	nFIQ	I
22	D[21]	I/O	50	nIRQ	I
23	D[22]	I/O	51	nRESET	I
24	D[23]	I/O	52	ISYNC	I
25	D[24]	I/O	53	DBGRQ	I
26	D[25]	I/O	54	ABORT	I
27	D[26]	I/O	55	CPA	I
28	D[27]	I/O	56	nOPC	O

Table 8-3: Scan Chain 0: Signals and position

No	Signal	Type	No	Signal	Type
57	IFEN	I	82	A[23]	O
58	nCPI	O	83	A[22]	O
59	nMREQ	O	84	A[21]	O
60	SEQ	O	85	A[20]	O
61	nTRANS	O	86	A[19]	O
62	CPB	I	87	A[18]	O
63	nM[4]	O	88	A[17]	O
64	nM[3]	O	89	A[16]	O
65	nM[2]	O	90	A[15]	O
66	nM[1]	O	91	A[14]	O
67	nM[0]	O	92	A[13]	O
68	nEXEC	O	93	A[12]	O
69	ALE	I	94	A[11]	O
70	ABE	I	95	A[10]	O
71	APE	I	96	A[9]	O
72	TBIT	O	97	A[8]	O
73	nWAIT	I	98	A[7]	O
74	A[31]	O	99	A[6]	O
75	A[30]	O	100	A[5]	O
76	A[29]	O	101	A[4]	O
77	A[28]	O	102	A[3]	O
78	A[27]	O	103	A[2]	O
79	A[26]	O	104	A[1]	O
80	A[25]	O	105	A[0]	O
81	A[24]	O			

**Table 8-3: Scan Chain 0: Signals and position (Continued)**

**Note** **DCTL** is not described in this datasheet. **DCTL** is an output from the processor used to control the unidirectional data out latch, **DOUT[31:0]**. This signal is not visible from the periphery of ARM7DMT.



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## EmbeddedICE Macrocell

This chapter describes the ARM720T EmbeddedICE module.

The ARM7DMT EmbeddedICE module, referred to simply as *EmbeddedICE*, provides integrated on-chip debug support for the ARM7DMT core.

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# EmbeddedICE Macrocell

## 9.1 Overview

In this chapter ARM7DMT refers to the ARM7TDMI core excluding the EmbeddedICE Macrocell. EmbeddedICE is programmed in a serial fashion using the ARM7DMT TAP controller. It consists of two real-time watchpoint units, together with a control and status register. One or both watchpoint units can be programmed to halt the execution of instructions by the ARM7DMT core via its **BREAKPT** signal.

Two independent registers, Debug Control and Debug Status, provide overall control of EmbeddedICE's operation. **Figure 9-1: ARM7TDMI block diagram** shows the relationship between the core, EmbeddedICE and the TAP controller.

Execution is halted when a match occurs between the values programmed into EmbeddedICE and the values currently appearing on the address bus, data bus and various control signals. Any bit can be masked so that its value does not affect the comparison.

**Note** Only those signals that are pertinent to EmbeddedICE are shown.

*In the ARM720T, the EmbeddedICE module is connected directly to the ARM7DMT Core and therefore functions on the virtual address of the processor after relocation by the task ID.*

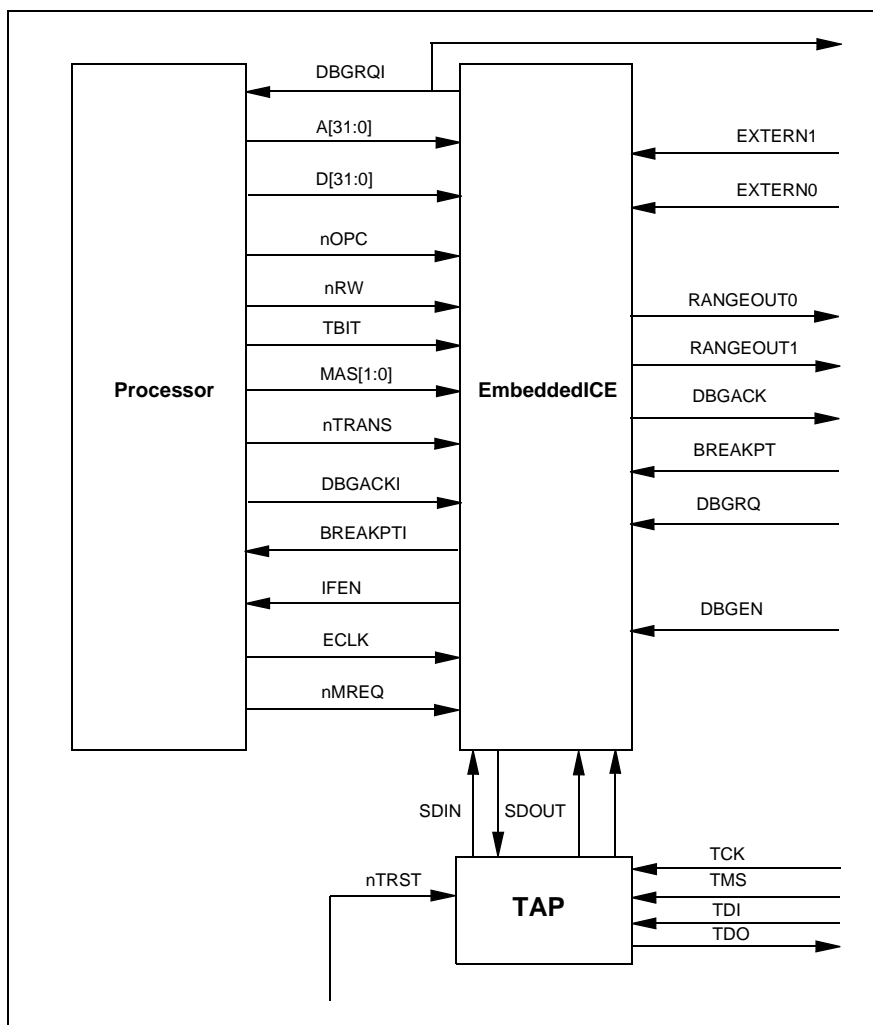


Figure 9-1: ARM7TDMI block diagram



Either watchpoint unit can be configured to be a watchpoint (monitoring data accesses) or a breakpoint (monitoring instruction fetches). Watchpoints and breakpoints can be made to be data-dependent.

## 9.1.1 Disabling EmbeddedICE

EmbeddedICE may be disabled by wiring the **DBGEN** input LOW.

When **DBGEN** is LOW, **BREAKPT** and **DBGRQ** to the core are forced LOW, **DBGACK** from the ARM7DMT is also forced LOW and the **IFEN** input to the core is forced HIGH, enabling interrupts to be detected by ARM7DMT.

When **DBGEN** is LOW, EmbeddedICE is also put into a low-power mode.

## 9.1.2 EmbeddedICE timing

The **EXTERN1** and **EXTERN0** inputs are sampled by EmbeddedICE on the falling edge of **ECLK**. Sufficient set-up and hold time must therefore be allowed for these signals.

## 9.2 The Watchpoint Registers

The two watchpoint units, known as *Watchpoint 0* and *Watchpoint 1*, each contain three pairs of registers:

- 1 Address Value and Address Mask
- 2 Data Value and Data Mask
- 3 Control Value and Control Mask

Each register is independently programmable and has its own address, as shown in **Table 9-1: Function and mapping of EmbeddedICE registers**.

Address	Width	Function
00000	3	Debug Control
00001	5	Debug Status
00100	6	Debug Comms Control Register
00101	32	Debug Comms Data Register
01000	32	Watchpoint 0 Address Value
01001	32	Watchpoint 0 Address Mask
01010	32	Watchpoint 0 Data Value
01011	32	Watchpoint 0 Data Mask
01100	9	Watchpoint 0 Control Value
01101	8	Watchpoint 0 Control Mask
10000	32	Watchpoint 1 Address Value
10001	32	Watchpoint 1 Address Mask
10010	32	Watchpoint 1 Data Value
10011	32	Watchpoint 1 Data Mask
10100	9	Watchpoint 1 Control Value
10101	8	Watchpoint 1 Control Mask

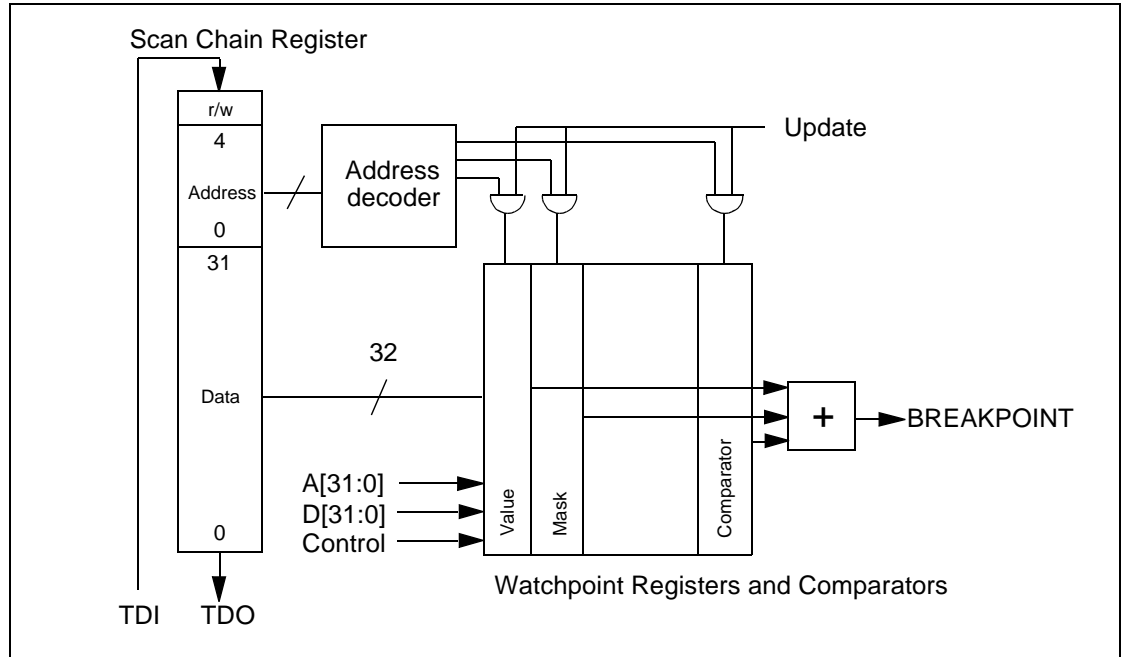
**Table 9-1: Function and mapping of EmbeddedICE registers**

### 9.2.1 Programming and reading watchpoint registers

A register is programmed by scanning data into the EmbeddedICE scan chain (scan chain 2). The scan chain consists of a 38-bit shift register comprising:

- a 32-bit data field
- a 5-bit address field
- a read/write bit

This is shown in **Figure 9-2: EmbeddedICE block diagram** on page 9-5.



**Figure 9-2: EmbeddedICE block diagram**

The data to be written is scanned into the 32-bit data field, the address of the register into the 5-bit address field and a 1 into the read/write bit.

A register is read by scanning its address into the address field and scanning a 0 into the read/write bit. The 32-bit data field is ignored. The register addresses are shown in **Table 9-1: Function and mapping of EmbeddedICE registers** on page 9-4.

**Note** A read or write takes place when the TAP controller enters the UPDATE-DR state.

## 9.2.2 Using the mask registers

For each Value register in a register pair, there is a Mask register of the same format. Setting a bit to 1 in the Mask register has the effect of disregarding the corresponding bit in the Value register in the comparison. For example, if a watchpoint is required on a particular memory location but the data value is irrelevant, the Data Mask register can be programmed to 0xFFFFFFFF (all bits set to 1) to make the entire Data Bus field ignored.

**Note** The mask is an XNOR mask rather than a conventional AND mask. When a mask bit is set to 1, the comparator for that bit position always matches, irrespective of the value register or the input value.

Setting the mask bit to 0 means that the comparator only matches if the input value matches the value programmed into the value register.

## 9.2.3 The control registers

Control Value and Control Mask registers are mapped identically in the lower 8 bits. Bit 8 of the control value register is the ENABLE bit, which cannot be masked.

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
ENABLE	RANGE	CHAIN	EXTERN	nTRANS	nOPC	MAS[1]	MAS[0]	nRW

**Figure 9-3: Watchpoint control value and mask format**

The bits have the following functions:

- nRW compares against the not-read/write signal from the core in order to detect the direction of bus activity. nRW is 0 for a read cycle and 1 for a write cycle.
- MAS[1:0] compares against the MAS[1:0] signal from the core in order to detect the size of bus activity. The encoding is shown in the following table.

bit 1	bit 0	Data size
0	0	byte
0	1	halfword
1	0	word
1	1	(reserved)

**Table 9-2: MAS[1:0] signal encoding**

- nOPC detects whether the current cycle is an instruction fetch (nOPC = 0) or a data access (nOPC = 1).
- nTRANS compares against the not-translate signal from the core in order to distinguish between User mode (nTRANS = 0) and non-User mode (nTRANS = 1) accesses.
- EXTERN is an external input to EmbeddedICE which allows the watchpoint to be dependent upon an external condition. The EXTERN input for Watchpoint 0 is labelled EXTERN0 and the EXTERN input for Watchpoint 1 is labelled EXTERN1.
- CHAIN can be connected to the chain output of another watchpoint in order to implement, for example, debugger requests of the form “breakpoint on address YYY only when in process XXX”.  
In the ARM7DMT-EmbeddedICE, the CHAINOUT output of Watchpoint 1 is connected to the CHAIN input of Watchpoint 0. The CHAINOUT output is derived from a latch; the address/control field comparator drives the write enable for the latch and the input to the latch is the value of the data field comparator. The CHAINOUT latch is cleared when the Control Value register is written or when nTRST is LOW.
- RANGE can be connected to the range output of another watchpoint register. In the ARM7DMT EmbeddedICE, the RANGEOUT output of Watchpoint 1 is connected to the RANGE input of Watchpoint 0. This allows the two watchpoints to be coupled for detecting conditions that occur simultaneously, for example, in range-checking.
- ENABLE only exists in the value register and it cannot be masked. If a watchpoint match occurs, the **BREAKPT** signal is asserted only when the ENABLE bit is set.

For each of the bits [8:0] in the Control Value register, there is a corresponding bit in the Control Mask register. This removes the dependency on particular signals.

## 9.3 Programming Breakpoints

Breakpoints can be classified as hardware breakpoints or software breakpoints.

- |          |  |
|----------|--|
| Hardware | These typically monitor the address value and can be set in any code, even in code that is in ROM or code that is self-modifying.  |
| Software | These monitor a particular bit pattern being fetched from any address. One EmbeddedICE watchpoint can thus be used to support any number of software breakpoints. Software breakpoints can normally only be set in RAM because an instruction has to be replaced by the special bit pattern chosen to cause a software breakpoint. |

### 9.3.1 Hardware breakpoints

To make a watchpoint unit cause hardware breakpoints (that is, on instruction fetches):

- 1 Program its Address Value register with the address of the instruction to be breakpointed.
- 2 Program the breakpoint bits as follows:
 

ARM state	set bits [1:0] of the Address Mask register to 1.
THUMB state	set bit 0 of the Address Mask to 1.

In both cases, the remaining bits are set to 0.
- 3 Program the Data Value register only if you require a data-dependent breakpoint: that is, only if the actual instruction code fetched must be matched as well as the address. If the data value is not required, program the Data Mask register to 0xFFFFFFFF (all bits to 1), otherwise program it to 0x00000000.
- 4 Program the Control Value register with nOPC = 0.
- 5 Program the Control Mask register with nOPC = 0, all other bits to 1.
- 6 If you need to make the distinction between user and non-user mode instruction fetches, program the nTRANS Value and Mask bits as above.
- 7 If required, program the EXTERN, RANGE and CHAIN bits in the same way.

### 9.3.2 Software breakpoints

To make a watchpoint unit cause software breakpoints (that is, on instruction fetches of a particular bit pattern):

- 1 Program its Address Mask register to 0xFFFFFFFF (all bits set to 1) so that the address is disregarded.
- 2 Program the Data Value register with the particular bit pattern that has been chosen to represent a software breakpoint.  
 For a THUMB software breakpoint, the 16-bit pattern must be repeated in both halves of the Data Value register. For example, if the bit pattern is 0xDFFF, then 0xDFFFDFFF must be programmed. When a 16-bit instruction is fetched, EmbeddedICE only compares the valid half of the data bus against the contents of the Data Value register. In this way, a single Watchpoint register can be used to catch software breakpoints on both the upper and lower halves of the data bus.
- 3 Program the Data Mask register to 0x00000000.
- 4 Program the Control Value register with nOPC = 0.
- 5 Program the Control Mask register with nOPC = 0, all other bits to 1.
- 6 If you wish to make the distinction between user and non-user mode instruction fetches, program the nTRANS bit in the Control Value and Control Mask registers accordingly.
- 7 If required, program the EXTERN, RANGE and CHAIN bits in the same way.

**Note** The address value register need not be programmed.

## Setting the breakpoint

To set the software breakpoint:

- 1 Read the instruction at the desired address and store it.
- 2 Write the special bit pattern representing a software breakpoint at the address.

## Clearing the breakpoint

To clear the software breakpoint, restore the instruction to the address.

## 9.4 Programming Watchpoints

These are just examples of how to program the watchpoint register to generate breakpoints and watchpoints; many other ways of programming the registers are possible. For instance, simple range breakpoints can be provided by setting one or more of the address mask bits.

To make a watchpoint unit cause watchpoints (ie on data accesses):

- 1 Program its Address Value register with the address of the data access to be watchpointed.
- 2 Program the Address Mask register to 0x00000000.
- 3 Program the Data Value register only if you require a data-dependent watchpoint; that is, only if the actual data value read or written must be matched as well as the address. If the data value is irrelevant, program the Data Mask register to 0xFFFFFFFF (all bits set to 1) otherwise program it to 0x00000000.
- 4 Program the Control Value register with:  
nOPC = 1  
nRW = 0 for a read  
nRW = 1 for a write  
MAS[1:0] with the value corresponding to the appropriate data size.
- 5 Program the Control Mask register with:  
nOPC = 0  
nRW = 0  
MAS[1:0] = 0  
all other bits to 1  
Note that nRW or MAS[1:0] may be set to 1 if both reads and writes or data size accesses are to be watchpointed respectively.
- 6 If you wish to make the distinction between user and non-user mode data accesses, program the nTRANS bit in the Control Value and Control Mask registers accordingly.
- 7 If required, program the EXTERN, RANGE and CHAIN bits in the same way.

### 9.4.1 Programming restriction

The EmbeddedICE watchpoint units should only be programmed when the clock to the core is stopped. This can be achieved by putting the core into the debug state.

The reason for this restriction is that if the core continues to run at **ECLK** rates when EmbeddedICE is being programmed at **TCK** rates, it is possible for the **BREAKPT** signal to be asserted asynchronously to the core.

This restriction does not apply if **MCLK** and **TCK** are driven from the same clock, or if it is known that the breakpoint or watchpoint condition can only occur some time after EmbeddedICE has been programmed.

**Note** *This restriction does not apply to the Debug Control or Status Registers.*

9.5 The Debug Control Register

The Debug Control Register is 3 bits wide.

- If the register is accessed for a write (with the read/write bit HIGH), the control bits are written.
- If the register is accessed for a read (with the read/write bit LOW), the control bits are read.

The function of each bit in this register is as follows:

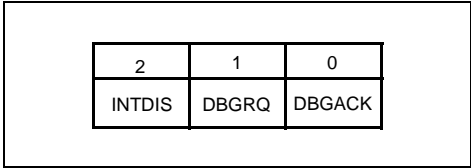


Figure 9-4: Debug control register format

Bits 1 and 0 allow the values on **DBGRQ** and **DBGACK** to be forced.

DBGRQ

As shown in **Figure 9-6: Structure of TBIT, NMREQ, DBGACK, DBGRQ and INTDIS bits** on page 9-12, the value stored in bit 1 of the control register is synchronized and then ORed with the external **DBGRQ** before being applied to the processor. The output of this OR gate is the signal **DBGRQI** which is brought out externally from the macrocell.

The synchronization between control bit 1 and **DBGRQI** is to assist in multiprocessor environments. The synchronisation latch only opens when the TAP controller state machine is in the RUN-TEST/IDLE state. This allows an *enter debug* condition to be set up in all the processors in the system while they are still running. Once the condition is set up in all the processors, it can then be applied to them simultaneously by entering the RUN-TEST/IDLE state.

DBGACK

In the case of **DBGACK**, the value of **DBGACK** from the core is ORed with the value held in bit 0 to generate the external value of **DBGACK** seen at the periphery of ARM7DMT. This allows the debug system to signal to the rest of the system that the core is still being debugged even when system-speed accesses are being performed (in which case, the internal **DBGACK** signal from the core will be LOW).

INTDIS

If bit 2 (INTDIS) is asserted, the interrupt enable signal (**IFEN**) of the core is forced LOW. Thus all interrupts (IRQ and FIQ) are disabled during debugging (**DBGACK** = 1) or if the INTDIS bit is asserted. The **IFEN** signal is driven according to the following table:

DBGACK	INTDIS	IFEN
0	0	1
1	x	0
x	1	0

Table 9-3: IFEN signal control



## 9.6 Debug Status Register

The Debug Status Register is 5 bits wide.

- If it is accessed for a write (with the read/write bit set HIGH), the status bits are written.
- If it is accessed for a read (with the read/write bit LOW), the status bits are read.

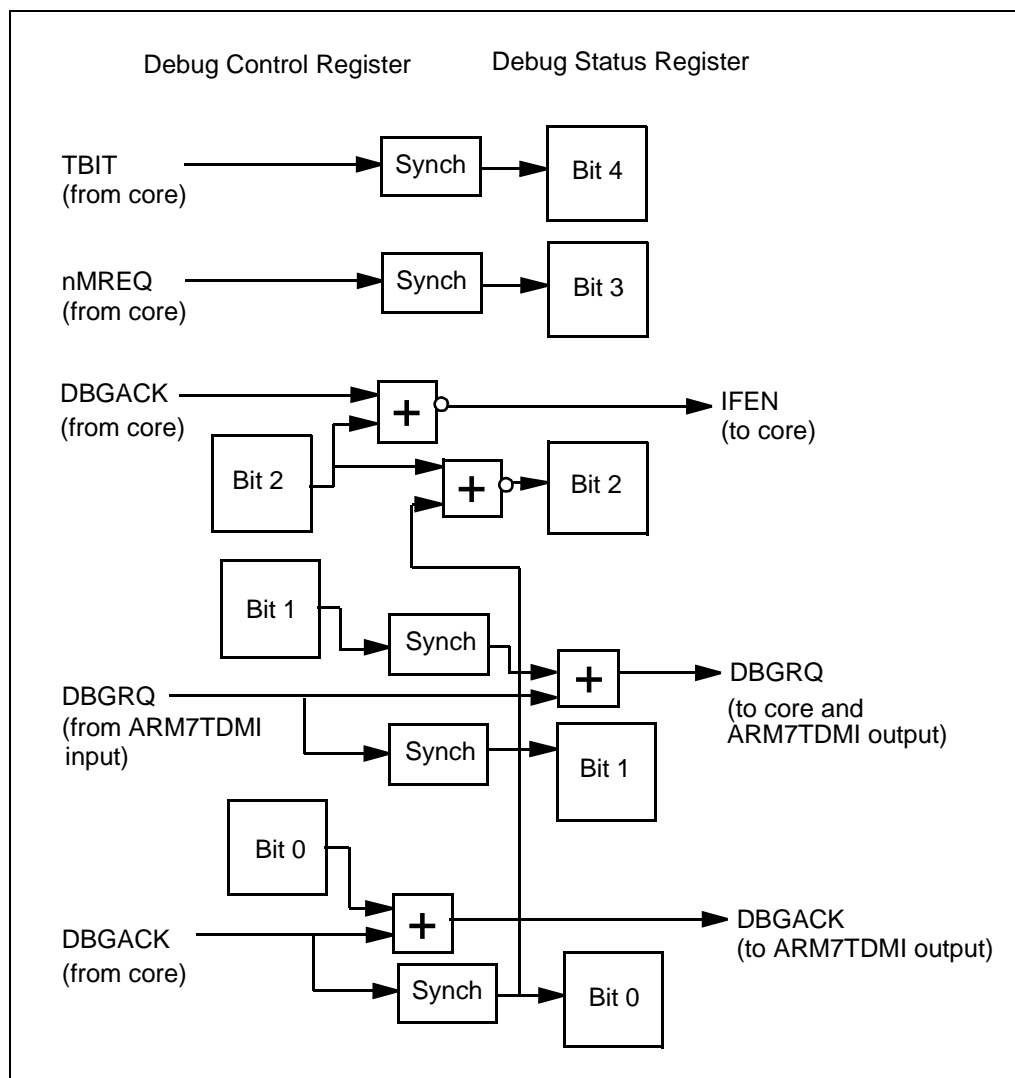
4	3	2	1	0
TBIT	nMREQ	IFEN	DBGQR	DBGACK

**Figure 9-5: Debug status register format**

The function of each bit in this register is as follows:

- |              |  |
|--------------|--|
| Bits 1 and 0 | allow the values on the synchronized versions of <b>DBGQR</b> and <b>DBGACK</b> to be read.  |
| Bit 2        | allows the state of the core interrupt enable signal ( <b>IFEN</b> ) to be read. As the capture clock for the scan chain may be asynchronous to the processor clock, the <b>DBGACK</b> output from the core is synchronized before being used to generate the IFEN status bit. |
| Bit 3        | allows the state of the <b>nMREQ</b> signal from the core (synchronized to <b>TCK</b> ) to be read. This allows the debugger to determine that a memory access from the debug state has completed.   |
| Bit 4        | allows <b>TBIT</b> to be read. This enables the debugger to determine what state the processor is in, and which instructions to execute.   |

The structure of the debug status register bits is shown in **Figure 9-6: Structure of TBIT, nMREQ, DBGACK, DBGQR and INTDIS bits** on page 9-12.



**Figure 9-6: Structure of TBIT, NMREQ, DBGACK, DBGRQ and INTDIS bits**

## 9.7 Coupling Breakpoints and Watchpoints

Watchpoint units 1 and 0 can be coupled together via the **CHAIN** and **RANGE** inputs.

- CHAIN** enables watchpoint 0 to be triggered only if watchpoint 1 has previously matched.
- RANGE** enables simple range checking to be performed by combining the outputs of both watchpoints.

### 9.7.1 Example

Let

$A_v[31:0]$	be the value in the Address Value Register.
$A_m[31:0]$	be the value in the Address Mask Register.
$A[31:0]$	be the Address Bus from the ARM7DMT.
$D_v[31:0]$	be the value in the Data Value Register.
$D_m[31:0]$	be the value in the Data Mask Register.
$D[31:0]$	be the Data Bus from the ARM7DMT.
$C_v[8:0]$	be the value in the Control Value Register.
$C_m[7:0]$	be the value in the Control Mask Register.
$C[9:0]$	be the combined Control Bus from the ARM7DMT, other watchpoint registers and the EXTERN signal.

#### CHAINOUT signal

The **CHAINOUT** signal is then derived as follows:

WHEN  $((\{A_v[31:0], C_v[4:0]\} \text{ XNOR } \{A[31:0], C[4:0]\}) \text{ OR } \{A_m[31:0], C_m[4:0]\}) == 0x1FFFFFFFFF$   
 $\text{CHAINOUT} = (((\{D_v[31:0], C_v[7:5]\} \text{ XNOR } \{D[31:0], C[7:5]\}) \text{ OR } \{D_m[31:0], C_m[7:5]\}) == 0x7FFFFFFFFF)$

The **CHAINOUT** output of watchpoint register 1 provides the **CHAIN** input to Watchpoint 0. This allows for quite complicated configurations of breakpoints and watchpoints.

For example, consider the request by a debugger to breakpoint on the instruction at location YYY when running process XXX in a multiprocess system.

If the current process ID is stored in memory, the above function can be implemented with a watchpoint and breakpoint chained together. The watchpoint address is set to a known memory location containing the current process ID, the watchpoint data is set to the required process ID and the ENABLE bit is set to "off".

The address comparator output of the watchpoint is used to drive the write enable for the **CHAINOUT** latch, the input to the latch being the output of the data comparator from the same watchpoint. The output of the latch drives the **CHAIN** input of the breakpoint comparator. The address YYY is stored in the breakpoint register and when the **CHAIN** input is asserted, and the breakpoint address matches, the breakpoint triggers correctly.

## RANGEOUT signal

The **RANGEOUT** signal is then derived as follows:

$$\text{RANGEOUT} = (((\{A_v[31:0], C_v[4:0]\} \text{ XNOR } \{A[31:0], C[4:0]\}) \text{ OR } \{A_m[31:0], C_m[4:0]\}) == 0xFFFFFFFF) \text{ AND } (((\{D_v[31:0], C_v[7:5]\} \text{ XNOR } \{D[31:0], C[7:5]\}) \text{ OR } \{D_m[31:0], C_m[7:5]\}) == 0x7FFFFFFF)$$

The **RANGEOUT** output of watchpoint register 1 provides the **RANGE** input to watchpoint register 0. This allows two breakpoints to be coupled together to form range breakpoints.

**Note** *Selectable ranges are restricted to being powers of 2.*

## Example

If a breakpoint is to occur when the address is in the first 256 bytes of memory, but not in the first 32 bytes, the watchpoint registers should be programmed as follows:

- 1 Watchpoint 1 is programmed with an address value of 0x00000000 and an address mask of 0x0000001F. The ENABLE bit is cleared. All other Watchpoint 1 registers are programmed as normal for a breakpoint. An address within the first 32 bytes causes the **RANGE** output to go HIGH but the breakpoint is not triggered.
- 2 Watchpoint 0 is programmed with an address value of 0x00000000 and an address mask of 0x000000FF. The ENABLE bit is set and the RANGE bit programmed to match a 0. All other Watchpoint 0 registers are programmed as normal for a breakpoint.

If Watchpoint 0 matches but Watchpoint 1 does not (that is, the **RANGE** input to Watchpoint 0 is 0), the breakpoint will be triggered.

## 9.8 Debug Communications Channel

ARM7DMT's EmbeddedICE contains a communication channel for passing information between the target and the host debugger. This is implemented as coprocessor 14.

The communications channel consists of:

- a 32-bit wide Comms Data Read register.
- a 32-bit wide Comms Data Write register.
- 6-bit wide Comms Control register for synchronized handshaking between the processor and the asynchronous debugger.

These registers live in fixed locations in EmbeddedICE's memory map (as shown in **Table 9-1: Function and mapping of EmbeddedICE registers** on page 9-4) and are accessed from the processor via MCR and MRC instructions to coprocessor 14.

### 9.8.1 Debug comms channel registers

The Debug Comms Control register is read-only and allows synchronized handshaking between the processor and the debugger.

31	30	29	28	...	1	0
0	0	0	1	...	W	R

**Figure 9-7: Debug comms control register**

The function of each register bit is described below:

- Bits [31:28] contain a fixed pattern which denotes the EmbeddedICE version number, in this case 0001.
- Bit [1] denotes whether the Comms Data Write register is free (from the processor's point of view).
- From the processor's point of view:
- If the Comms Data Write register is free (W=0), new data may be written.
  - If it is not free (W=1), the processor must poll until W=0.
- From the debugger's point of view, if W=1, new data has been written which may then be scanned out.
- Bit [0] denotes whether there is some new data in the Comms Data Read register.
- From the processor's point of view:
- If R=1, there is some new data which may be read via an MRC instruction.
- From the debugger's point of view:
- If R=0, the Comms Data Read register is free and new data may be placed there through the scan chain.
  - If R=1, this denotes that data previously placed there through the scan chain has not been collected by the processor and so the debugger must wait.

From the debugger's point of view, the registers are accessed via the scan chain in the usual way. From the processors point of view, these registers are accessed via coprocessor register transfer instructions.

## Instructions

The following instructions should be used.

This instruction returns the Debug Comms Control register into Rd.

```
MRC CP14, 0, Rd, C0, C0
```

This instruction writes the value in Rn to the Comms Data Write register.

```
MCR CP14, 0, Rn, C1, C0
```

This instruction returns the Debug Data Read register into Rd.

```
MRC CP14, 0, Rd, C1, C0
```

**Note** *As the THUMB instruction set does not contain coprocessor instructions, it is recommended that these are accessed via SWI instructions when in THUMB state.*

## 9.8.2 Communications via the comms channel

Communication between the debugger and the processor occurs as follows.

- 1 When the processor wishes to send a message to EmbeddedICE, it first checks that the Comms Data Write register is free for use.
- 2 This is done by reading the Debug Comms Control register to check that the W bit is clear:
  - If it is clear, the Comms Data Write register is empty and a message is written by a register transfer to the coprocessor. The action of this data transfer automatically sets the W bit.
  - If it is set, this implies that previously-written data has not been picked up by the debugger and the processor must poll until the W bit is clear.
- 3 Because the data transfer occurs from the processor to the Comms Data Write register, the W bit is set in the Debug Comms Control register.
- 4 When the debugger polls this register, it sees a synchronized version of both the R and W bit.
  - When the debugger sees that the W bit is set, it can read the Comms Data Write register and scan the data out.
  - The action of reading this data register clears the W bit of the Debug Comms Control register. At this point, the communications process may begin again.

## 9.8.3 Message transfer

Message transfer from the debugger to the processor is carried out in a similar fashion:

- 1 The debugger polls the R bit of the Debug Comms Control register:
  - If the R bit is low, the Data Read register is free and so data can be placed there for the processor to read.
  - If the R bit is set, previously deposited data has not yet been collected and so the debugger must wait.
- 2 When the Comms Data Read register is free, data is written there via the scan chain. The action of this write sets the R bit in the Debug Comms Control register.
- 3 When the processor polls this register, it sees an MCLK synchronized version.
  - If the R bit is set, this denotes that there is data waiting to be collected, and this can be read via a CPRT load. The action of this load clears the R bit in the Debug Comms Control register.
  - If the R bit is clear, this denotes that the data has been taken and the process may now be repeated.

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## Bus Clocking

This chapter describes the bus interface clocking.

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# Bus Clocking

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## 10.1 Introduction

The ARM720T bus interface can be operated using either:

- the standard mode of operation
- the new fastbus extension

As the ARM720T is a fully static design, the clock can be stopped indefinitely in either mode of operation. Care should be taken to ensure that the memory system does not dissipate power in the state in which it is stopped.

### 10.1.1 Standard mode

For designs using low-cost, low-speed memory, and if operation of the core at a faster speed is required, it is recommended that you use standard mode.

This mode consists of:

- two clocks, **FCLK** and **BCLK**
- synchronous or fully asynchronous operation

### 10.1.2 Fastbus extension

For new designs, you can operate the device using the fastbus extension. In fastbus mode, the device is clocked off a single clock, and the bus is operated at the same frequency as the core. This allows the bus interface to be clocked faster than if the device is operated in standard mode. It is recommended that you use this mode of operation in systems with high-speed memory and a single clock.

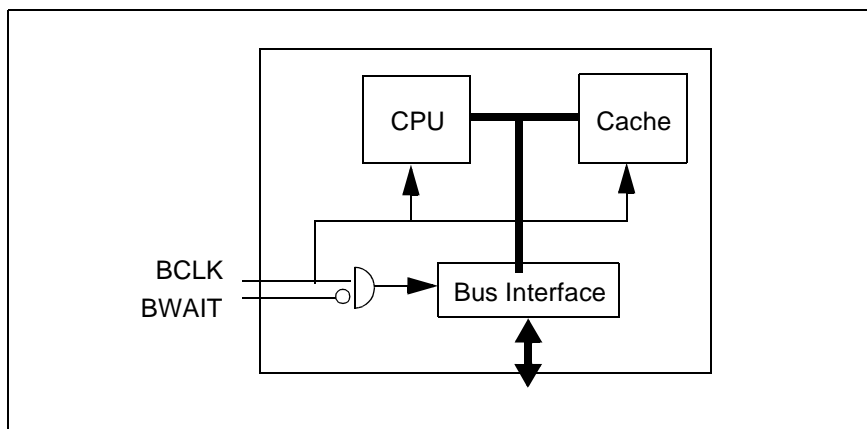
This mode consists of:

- single device clock
- increased maximum **BCLK** frequency



## 10.2 Fastbus Extension

Using the fastbus extension, the ARM720T has a single input clock, **BCLK**. This is used to clock the internals of the device, and qualified by **BWAIT**, controls the memory interface:



**Figure 10-1: Conceptual device clocking using the fastbus extension**

When operating the device with **FASTBUS** HIGH, the inputs **FCLK** and **SnA** are not used.

**Note** *To prevent unwanted power dissipation, ensure that they do not float to an undefined level. New designs should tie these signals LOW for compatibility with future products.*

### 10.2.1 Using BWAIT

The **BWAIT** signal is used to insert entire **BCLK** cycles into the bus cycle timing. **BWAIT** may only change when **BCLK** is LOW, and extends the memory access by inserting **BCLK** cycles into the access whilst **BWAIT** is asserted.

**Figure 11-4: Use of the BWAIT pin to stop ARM720T for 1 BCLK cycle** on page 11-8 shows the use of **BWAIT** in more detail.

#### Memory cycles

It is preferable to use **BWAIT** to extend memory cycles, rather than stretching **BCLK** externally to the device because it is possible for the core to be accessing the Cache while bus activity is occurring. This allows the maximum performance, as the Core can to continue execution in parallel with the memory bus activity. All **BCLK** cycles are available to the CPU and Cache, regardless of the state of **BWAIT**.

In some circumstances, it may be desirable to stretch **BCLK** phases in order to match memory timing which is not an integer multiple of **BCLK**. There are certain cases where this results in a higher performance than using **BWAIT** to extend the access by an integer number of cycles.

#### CPU and Cache operation

CPU and Cache operation can only continue in parallel with buffered writes to the external bus. For all read accesses, the CPU is stalled until the bus activity has completed. So, if read accesses can be achieved faster by stretching **BCLK** rather than using **BWAIT**, this results in improved performance. An example of where this may be useful would be to interface to a ROM which has a cycle time of 2.5 times the **BCLK** period.

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## 10.3 Standard Mode

Using the standard mode of operation (without the fastbus extension), and **FASTBUS** tied LOW, the ARM720T has two input clocks:

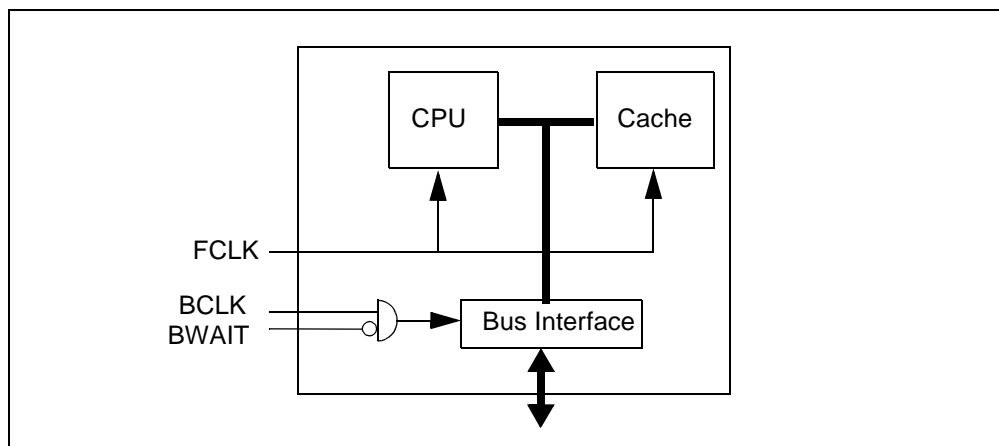
- **FCLK**
- **BCLK**

The bus interface is always controlled by the memory clock, **BCLK**, qualified by **BWAIT**. However, the core and cache are clocked by the fast clock, **FCLK**.

In standard mode, the **FCLK** frequency must be greater than or equal to the **BCLK** frequency at all times. This relationship must be maintained on a cycle-by-cycle basis.

### 10.3.1 Memory access

When running in this mode, memory access cycles can be stretched either by using **BWAIT**, or by stretching phases of **BCLK**. The resulting performance is determined by the access time, regardless of which method is used.



*Figure 10-2: Conceptual device clocking in standard mode*

### 10.3.2 Synchronous and asynchronous modes

When not using the fastbus extension, the ARM720T bus interface has two distinct modes of operation:

- synchronous
- asynchronous

These are selected by tying **SnA** either HIGH or LOW.

#### **FCLK and BCLK**

The two modes differ in the relationship between **FCLK** and **BCLK**:

- In asynchronous mode (**SnA** LOW), the clocks may be completely asynchronous and of unrelated frequency.
- In synchronous mode (**SnA** HIGH), **BCLK** may only make transitions before the falling edge of **FCLK**.

In systems where a satisfactory relationship exists between **FCLK** and **BCLK**, synchronization penalties can be avoided by selecting the synchronous mode of operation.

## Asynchronous mode

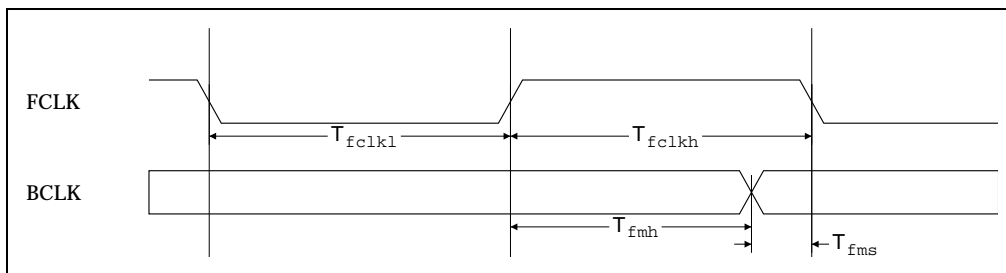
In this mode, **FCLK** and **BCLK** may be completely asynchronous. You should select this mode by tying **SnA** LOW when the two clocks are of unrelated frequency.

There is a synchronization penalty whenever the internal core clock switches between the two input clocks. This penalty is symmetrical, and varies between zero and a whole period of the clock to which the core is resynchronizing:

- when changing from **FCLK** to **BCLK**, the average resynchronisation penalty is half an **BCLK** period
- when changing from **BCLK** to **FCLK**, the average resynchronisation penalty is half an **FCLK** period.

## Synchronous mode

You select this mode by tying **SnA** HIGH. In this mode, here is a tightly defined relationship between **FCLK** and **BCLK**, in that **BCLK** may only make transitions on the falling edge of **FCLK**. Some jitter between the two clocks is permitted, but **BCLK** must meet the setup and hold requirements relative to **FCLK**.



**Figure 10-3: Relationship of FCLK and BCLK in synchronous mode**



This chapter describes the operation of the AMBA bus interface.

In normal operation, the ARM720T is an ASB (Advanced System Bus) bus master. As a bus master it performs a subset of the possible ASB cycle types.

The ASB is further described in the **AMBA Specification**, ARM IHI 0001.

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## 11.1 ASB Bus Interface Signals

The signals in the ASB interface can be grouped into four categories:

Addressing	<b>BA[31:0]</b> <b>BWRITE</b> <b>BSIZE [1:0]</b> <b>BLOK</b> <b>BPROT</b>
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Memory request	<b>BTRAN[1:0]</b>
Data sampled	<b>BD[31:0]</b>
Slave response	<b>BERROR</b> <b>BWAIT</b> <b>BLAST</b>

### System Arbiter

In addition to these signals, there are also three controls communicating with control logic in the system:

<b>AGNT</b>	selects the ARM as a bus master
<b>AREQ</b>	indicates that the ARM720T requires bus mastership
<b>DSELARM</b>	selects the ARM as a bus slave

## 11.2 Cycle Types

In normal operation, the ARM720T bus interface can perform two types of cycle:

- address cycles
- sequential cycles

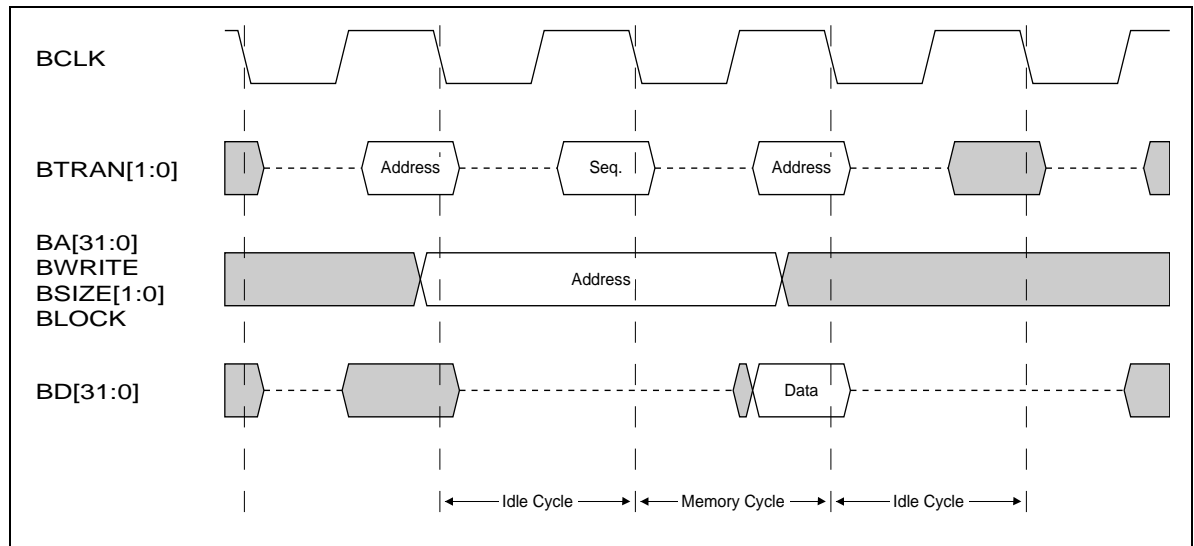
These cycles are differentiated by the pipelined signal **BTRAN[1:0]**. Conventionally, cycles are considered to start from the falling edge of **BCLK**, and this is how they are shown in all diagrams.

These cycle types are a subset of the possible ASB cycle types. Other cycle types can be forced by the use of the Slave Response signals. See the **AMBA Specification** ARM IHI 0001 for more details.

The Addressing and Memory Request signals are pipelined ahead of the Data Addressing by a phase (1/2 a cycle), and **BTRAN[1:0]** by a cycle. This advance information allows the implementation of efficient memory systems.

### 11.2.1 Single-word memory access

A simple single-word memory access is shown in **Figure 11-1: Simple single-cycle access**.



**Figure 11-1: Simple single-cycle access**

The access starts with the address being broadcast. This can be used for decoding, but the access is not committed until **BTRAN[1:0]** (Bus Transaction Type) signals a *sequential* cycle in the following HIGH phase of **BCLK**. This indicates that the next cycle is a memory access cycle.

In this example, **BTRAN[1:0]** returns to Address after a single cycle, indicating that there will be a single memory access cycle, followed by an address cycle. The data is transferred on the falling edge of **BCLK** at the end of the sequential cycle.

Therefore, a memory access consists of:

- an address cycle, with a valid address
- a memory cycle with the same address

The initial address cycle allows the memory controller more time to decode the address. See **Table 11-1: BTRAN[1:0] Encoding** on page 11-6 for the encoding of **BTRAN[1:0]**.

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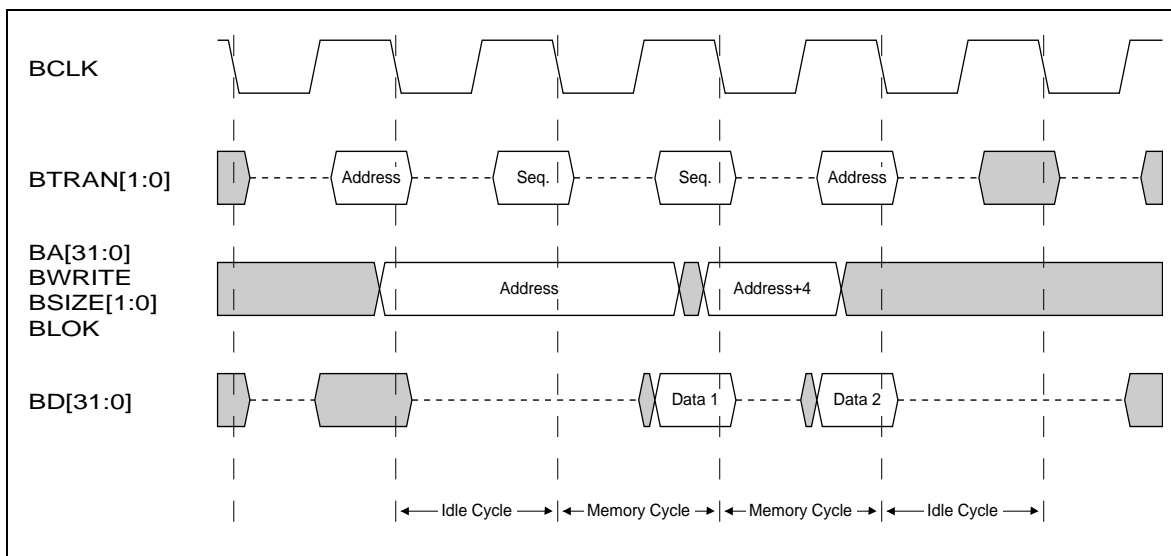
## 11.2.2 Sequential accesses

ARM720T can perform sequential bursts of accesses. These consist of:

- an address cycle and a sequential cycle, as shown previously
- further sequential cycles to:
  - incrementing word addresses (that is,  $a$ ,  $a+4$ ,  $a+8$  etc.), or
  - halfword addresses (that is,  $a$ ,  $a+2$ ,  $a+4$  etc.)

See **Figure 11-2: Simple sequential access**. After the initial address cycle, the address is pipelined by 1/2 a bus cycle from the data.

**Note** **BTRAN[1:0]** is pipelined by a bus cycle from the data. If **BWAIT** is being used to stretch cycles, **BTRAN[1:0]** no longer refers to the next BCLK cycle, but rather to the next bus cycle. See **11.6.2 BWAIT** on page 11-7.



**Figure 11-2: Simple sequential access**

Sequential bursts can occur on word or halfword accesses, and are always in the same direction, that is, Read (**BWRITE LOW**) or Write (**BWRITE HIGH**).

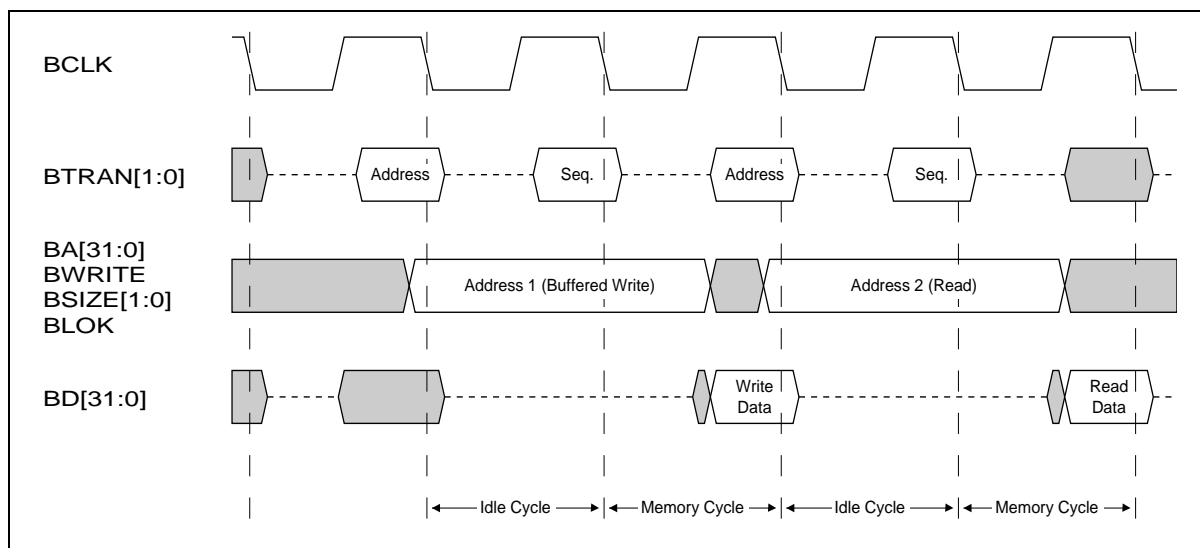
A memory controller should always qualify the use of the address with **BTRAN[1:0]**. There are certain circumstances in which a new address can be broadcast on the address bus, but **BTRAN[1:0]** does not signal a *sequential* access. This only happens when an internal (Protection Unit generated) abort occurs.



## 11.2.3 Bus accesses

The minimum interval between bus accesses can occur after a buffered write. In this case, there may only be a single address cycle between two memory cycles to non-sequential addresses. This means that the address for the second access is broadcast on **BA[31:0]** during the HIGH phase of the final memory cycle of the buffered write.

See **Figure 11-3: Minimum interval between bus accesses** for more information.



**Figure 11-3: Minimum interval between bus accesses**

This is the closest case of back-to-back cycles on the bus, and the memory controller should be designed to handle this case. In high-speed systems one solution is to use **BWAIT** to increase the decode and access time available for the second access.

**Note** *Memory and peripheral strobes should not be direct decodes of the address bus. This could result in their changing during the last cycle of a write burst.*

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## 11.3 Addressing Signals

Memory accesses may be read or write, and are differentiated by the signal **BWRITE**.

**BWRITE** may not change during a sequential access, so if a read from address A is followed immediately by a write to address (A+4), the write to address (A+4) is performed on the bus as a non-sequential access.

In the same way, any memory access may be a word, a half-word or a byte. These are differentiated by the signal **BSIZE[1:0]**. Again, **BSIZE[1:0]** may not change during sequential accesses. It is not possible to perform sequential byte accesses.

In order to reduce system power consumption, the addressing signals are left with their current values at the end of an access, until the next access occurs.

After a buffered write, there may be only a single address cycle between the two memory cycles. In this case, the next non-sequential address is broadcast in the last cycle of the previous access. This is the worst case for address decoding, as shown in **Figure 11-3: Minimum interval between bus accesses** on page 11-5.

## 11.4 Memory Request Signals

The memory request signals, **BTRAN[1:0]** are pipelined by one bus cycle, and refer to the next bus cycle.

Care must be taken when de-pipelining these signals if **BWAIT** is being used, as they always refer to the following bus cycle, rather than the following **BCLK** cycle. **BWAIT** stretches the bus cycle by an integer number of **BCLK** cycles. See **11.6.2 BWAIT** on page 11-7.

BTRAN[1:0]	Cycle Type	Description	Note
00	Address	Address transfer or idle cycle	
01		Reserved	
10	Non-Sequential	Non-Sequential Data transfer cycle	1
11	Sequential	Sequential Data transfer cycle	

**Table 11-1: BTRAN[1:0] Encoding**

**Note 1** This cycle can only occur as a result of the slave response signals. In normal operation, ARM720T does not generate this cycle type.

## 11.5 Data Signal Timing

During a read access, the data is sampled on the falling edge of **BCLK** at the end of the sequential cycle. During a write access, the data on **BD[31:0]** is timed off the falling edge of **BCLK** at the start of the memory cycle. If **BWAIT** is being used to stretch this cycle, the data is valid from the falling edge of **BCLK** at the end of the previous cycle, when **BWAIT** was HIGH. See **11.6.2 BWAIT** on page 11-7.

**Note** In a low-power system, you must ensure that the databus is not allowed to float to an undefined level. This causes power to be dissipated in the inputs of devices connected to the bus. This is particularly important when a system is put into a low-power sleep mode. It is recommended that one set of databus drivers in the system are left enabled during sleep to hold the bus at a defined level.

## 11.6 Slave Response Signals

### 11.6.1 BERROR

The **BERROR** signal is sampled on the rising edge of **BCLK** during a sequential cycle, on both read and write accesses. The effect of **BERROR** on the operation of the ARM720T is discussed in **3.6 Exceptions** on page 3-11.

**BERROR** can be flagged on any sequential cycle; however, it is ignored on buffered writes, which cannot be aborted.

#### Linefetches

The effect of **BERROR** during linefetches is slightly different to that during other access.

During a linefetch the ARM720T fetches four words of data, regardless of which words of data were requested by the ARM core, and the rest of the words are fetched speculatively.

- If **BERROR** is asserted on a word which was requested by the ARM core, the abort functions normally.
- If the abort is signalled on a word which was not requested by the ARM core, the access is not aborted, and program flow is not interrupted.

Regardless of which word was aborted, the line of data is not placed in the cache as it is assumed to contain invalid data.

### 11.6.2 BWAIT

The **BWAIT** pin can be used to extend memory accesses in whole cycle increments.

**BWAIT** is driven by the selected slave during the LOW phase of **BCLK**. When a slave cannot complete an access in the current cycle, it drives **BWAIT** HIGH to stall the ARM720T.

**BWAIT** does not prevent changes in **BTRAN[1:0]** and write data on **BD[31:0]** during the cycle in which it was asserted HIGH. Changes in these signals are then prevented until the **BCLK** HIGH phase after **BWAIT** was taken LOW. The addressing signals do not change from the rising **BCLK** edge when **BWAIT** goes HIGH, until the next **BCLK** HIGH phase after **BWAIT** returns LOW.

In **Figure 11-4: Use of the BWAIT pin to stop ARM720T for 1 BCLK cycle** on page 11-8, the heavy bars indicate the cycle for which signals are stable as a result of asserting **BWAIT**.

The signal **BTRAN[1:0]** is pipelined by one bus cycle. This pipelining should be taken into account when these signals are being decoded. The value of **BTRAN[1:0]** indicates whether the next bus cycle is a data cycle or an address cycle.

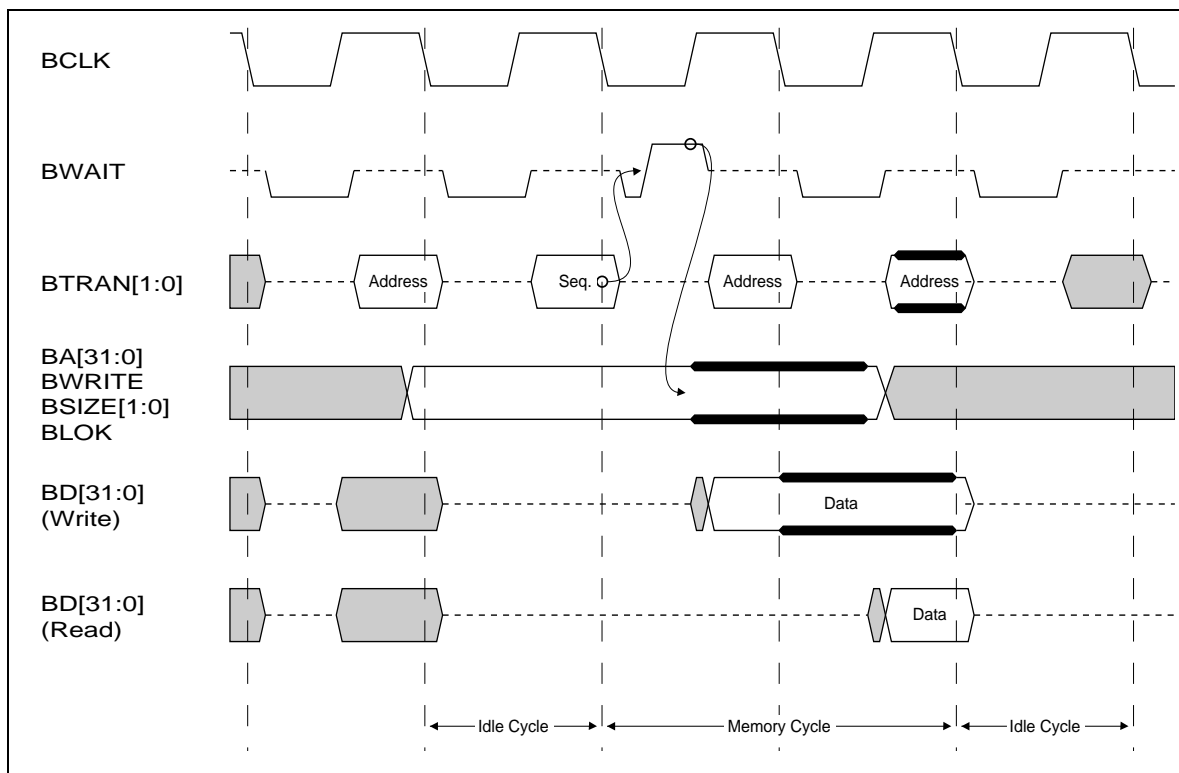
As bus cycles are stretched by **BWAIT**, the boundary between bus cycles is determined by the falling edge of **BCLK** when **BWAIT** was sampled as LOW on the rising edge of **BCLK**. A useful rule of thumb is to sample the value of **BTRAN[1:0]** on the *falling* edge of **BCLK** only when **BWAIT** was LOW on the previous *rising* edge of **BCLK**.

When **BWAIT** is used to stretch a sequential cycle, **BTRAN[1:0]** returns to signalling address during the first phase of the sequential cycle if a single word access is occurring. In this case, it is important that the memory controller does not interpret that an address cycle is signalled when it is a stretched memory cycle.

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## 11.6.3 Other slave responses

Other slave response combinations including bus last, and bus retract are detailed in the **AMBA Specification** (ARM IHI 0001).



**Figure 11-4: Use of the BWAIT pin to stop ARM720T for 1 BCLK cycle**

## 11.7 Maximum Sequential Length

The ARM720T may perform sequential memory accesses whenever the cycle is of the same type as the previous cycle (for example, read/write), and the addresses are consecutive. However, sequential accesses are interrupted on a 256-word boundary.

If a sequential access is performed over a 256-word boundary, the access to word 256 is turned into a non-sequential access, and further accesses continue sequentially as before.

This simplifies the design of the memory controller. Provided that peripherals and areas of memory are aligned to 256-word boundaries, sequential bursts are always local to one peripheral or memory device. This means that all accesses to a device always start with a non-sequential access.

A DRAM controller can take advantage of the fact that sequential cycles are always within a DRAM page, provided the page size is greater than 256.

## 11.8 Read-Lock-Write

The read-lock-write sequence is generated by a SWP instruction.

The **BLOK** signal indicates that the two accesses should be treated as an atomic unit. A memory controller should ensure that no other bus activity is allowed to happen between the accesses when **BLOK** is asserted. When the ARM has started a read-lock-write sequence, it cannot be interrupted until it has completed.

On the bus, the sequence consists of:

- a read access
- a write access to the same address

This sequence is differentiated by the **BLOK** signal. **BLOK**:

- goes HIGH in the HIGH phase of **BCLK** at the start of the read access.
- always goes LOW at the end of the write access.

The read cycle is always performed as a single, non-sequential, external read cycle, regardless of the contents of the cache.

The write is forced to be unbuffered, so that it can be aborted if necessary.

The cache is updated on the write.

## 11.9 Big-Endian / Little-Endian Operation

The ARM720T treats words in memory as being stored in big-endian or little-endian format depending on the value of the bigend bit in the control register, see **3.2 Memory Formats** on page 3-3.

Load and store are the only instructions affected by the endianness. Refer to the **ARM Architecture Reference Manual** for details of the LDR and STR instructions.

### Little-endian format

In little-endian format:

- the lowest-numbered byte in a word is considered to be the least significant byte of the word.
- the highest-numbered byte is the most significant.

Byte 0 of the memory system should be connected to data lines 7 through 0 (**BD[7:0]**) in this format.

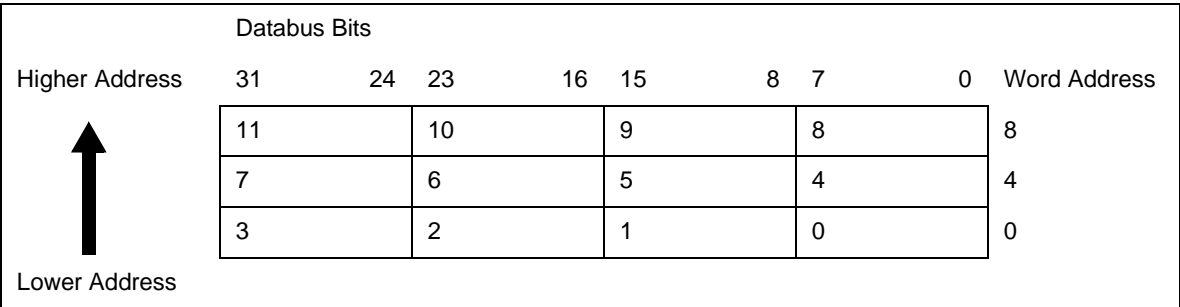


Figure 11-5: Little-endian addresses of bytes within word

### Big-endian format

In big-endian format:

- the most significant byte of a word is stored at the lowest-numbered byte.
- the least significant byte is stored at the highest-numbered byte.

Byte 0 of the memory system should therefore be connected to data lines 31 through 24 (**BD[31:24]**).

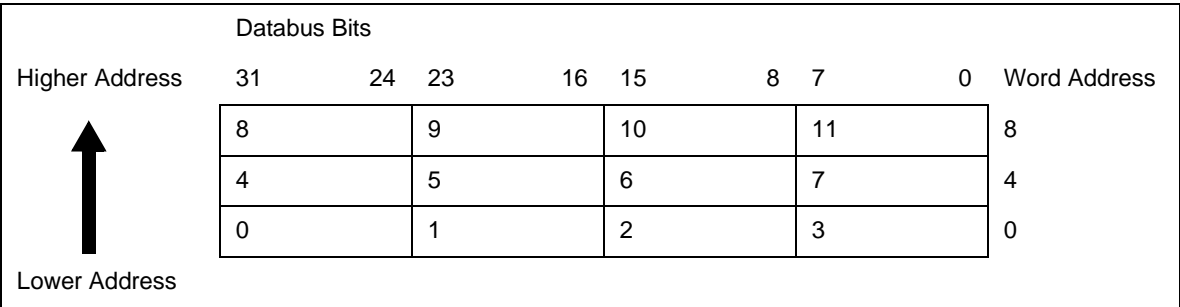


Figure 11-6: Big-endian addresses of bytes within word

## 11.9.1 Word operations

All word operations expect the data to be presented on data bus inputs 31 through 0. The external memory system should ignore the bottom two bits of the address if a word operation is indicated.

## 11.9.2 Halfword operations

A halfword store (STRH) repeats the bottom 16 bits of the source register twice across data bus outputs 31 through 0. The external memory system should activate the appropriate byte subsystems to store the data.

### Little-endian operation

A halfword load (LDRH) expects the data on data bus inputs 15 through 0 if the supplied address is on a word boundary, or on data bus inputs 31 through 16 if it is a word address plus two bytes. The selected halfword is placed in the bottom 16 bits of the destination register. The other two bytes on the databus are ignored. See **Figure 11-5: Little-endian addresses of bytes within word** on page 11-10.

### Big-endian operation

A halfword load (LDRH) expects the data on data bus inputs 31 through 16 if the supplied address is on a word boundary, or on data bus inputs 15 through 0 if it is a word address plus two bytes. The selected halfword is placed in the bottom 16 bits of the destination register. The other 2 bytes on the databus are ignored. See **Figure 11-6: Big-endian addresses of bytes within word** on page 11-10.

## 11.9.3 Byte operations

A byte store (STRB) repeats the bottom 8 bits of the source register four times across data bus outputs 31 through 0. The external memory system should activate the appropriate byte subsystem to store the data.

Because ARM720T duplicates the byte to be written across the databus and internally rotates bytes after reading them from the databus, a 32-bit memory system only needs to have control logic to enable the appropriate byte. There is no need to rotate or shift the data externally.

To ensure that all of the databus is driven during a byte read, it is valid to read a word back from the memory.

### Little-endian operation

A byte load (LDRB) expects the data on data bus inputs 7 through 0 if the supplied address is on a word boundary, on data bus inputs 15 through 8 if it is a word address plus one byte, and so on. The selected byte is placed in the bottom 8 bits of the destination register. The other 3 bytes on the databus are ignored. See **Figure 11-5: Little-endian addresses of bytes within word** on page 11-10.

### Big-endian operation

A byte load (LDRB) expects the data on data bus inputs 31 through 24 if the supplied address is on a word boundary, on data bus inputs 23 through 16 if it is a word address plus one byte, and so on. The selected byte is placed in the bottom 8 bits of the destination register. The other three bytes on the databus are ignored. See **Figure 11-6: Big-endian addresses of bytes within word** on page 11-10.

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## 11.10 Multi-master Operation

The AMBA bus specification supports multiple bus masters on the high performance *Advanced System Bus (ASB)*. A simple two wire request/grant mechanism is implemented between the arbiter and each bus master. The arbiter ensures that only one bus master is active on the bus and also ensures that when no masters are requesting the bus, a default master is granted.

The specification also supports a shared lock signal. This allows bus masters to indicate that the current transfer is indivisible from the following transfer and prevents other bus masters from gaining access to the bus until the locked transfers have completed.

### 11.10.1 Arbitration

Efficient arbitration is important to reduce “dead-time” between successive masters being active on the bus. The bus protocol supports pipelined arbitration, such that arbitration for the next transfer is performed during the current transfer.

The arbitration protocol is defined, but the prioritization is flexible and left to the application. Typically, the Test Interface would be given the highest priority to ensure test access under all conditions. Every system must also include a default bus master, which is granted the bus when no bus masters are requesting it.

The request signal, **AREQ**, from each bus master to the arbiter indicates that the bus master requires the bus. The grant signal from the arbiter to the bus master, **AGNT**, indicates that the bus master is currently the highest priority master requesting the bus.

The bus master:

- must drive the **BTRAN** signals during **BCLK** HIGH when **AGNT** is HIGH.
- will become granted when **AGNT** is HIGH and **BWAIT** is LOW on a rising edge of **BCLK**.

The shared bus lock signal, **BLOK**, indicates to the arbiter that the following transfer is indivisible from the current transfer and no other bus master should be given access to the bus.

A bus master must always drive a valid level on the **BLOK** signal when granted the bus to ensure the arbitration process can continue, even if the bus master is not performing any transfers.

The arbiter functions as follows:

- 1 Bus masters assert **AREQ** during the HIGH phase of **BCLK**.
- 2 The arbiter samples all **AREQ** signals on the falling edge of **BCLK**.
- 3 During the LOW phase of **BCLK**, the arbiter also samples the **BLOK** signal and then asserts the appropriate **AGNT** signal.  
If **BLOK** is LOW, the arbiter grants the highest priority bus master.  
If **BLOK** is HIGH, the arbiter keeps the same bus master granted.

The arbiter can update the grant signals every bus cycle; however, a new bus master can only become granted and start driving the bus when the current transfer completes, as indicated by **BWAIT** being LOW. Therefore, it is possible for the potential next bus master to change during waited transfers.

The **BLOK** signal is ignored by the arbiter during the single cycle of handover between two different bus masters.

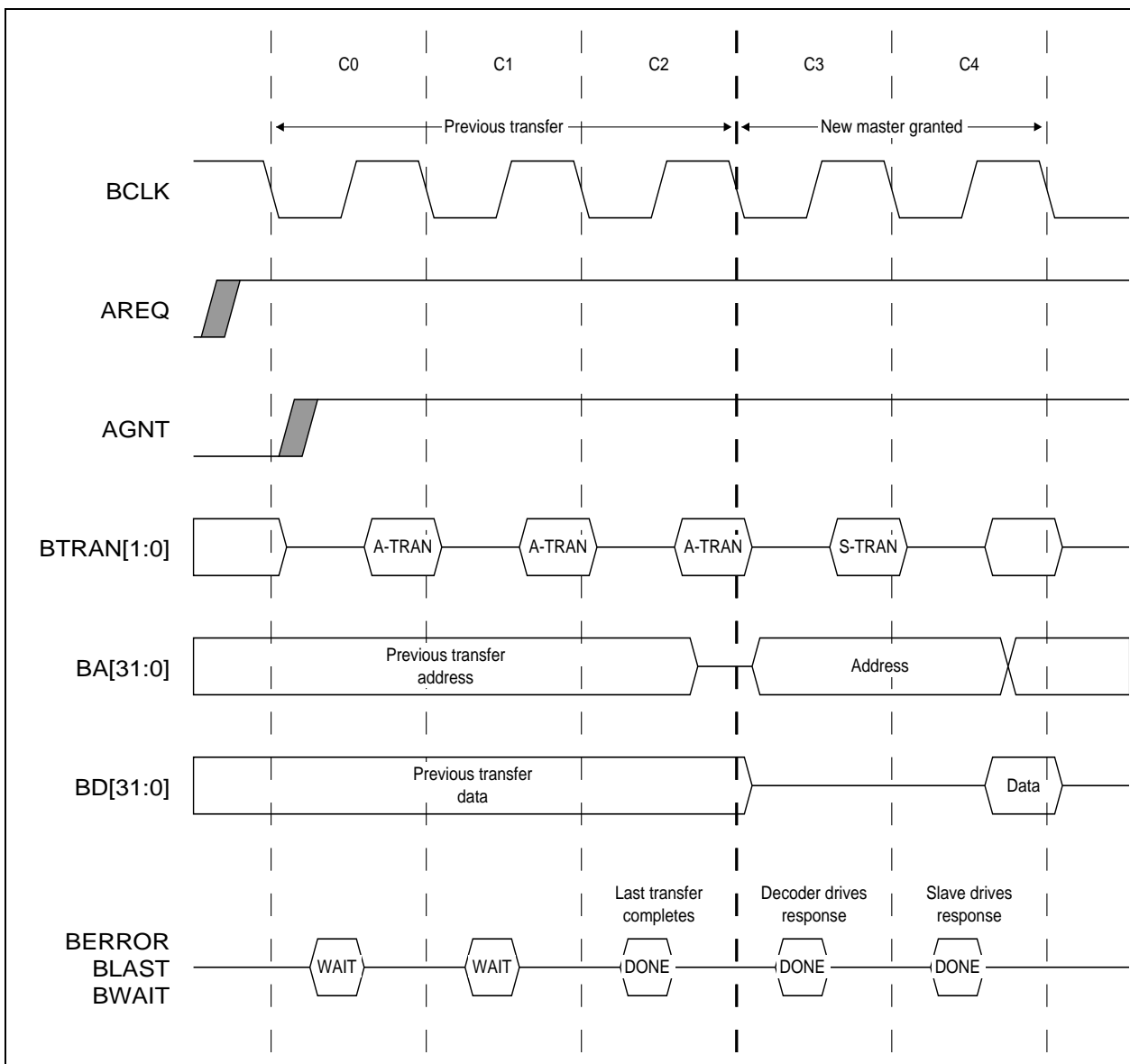
If no bus masters are requesting the bus, the arbiter must grant the default bus master. The arbitration protocol is defined, but the prioritization is flexible and left to the application. A simple fixed-priority scheme may be used; alternatively, a more complex scheme can be implemented if required by the application.



## 11.11 Bus Master Handover

Bus master handover occurs when a bus master, which is not currently granted the bus, becomes the new granted bus master.

A bus master becomes granted when **AGNT** is HIGH and **BWAIT** is LOW. **AGNT** HIGH indicates the bus master is currently the highest priority master requesting the bus and **BWAIT** LOW indicates the previous transfer has completed. **Figure 11-7: Bus Master Handover** shows the bus master handover process.



**Figure 11-7: Bus Master Handover**

- 1 When **AGNT** is asserted, a bus master must drive the **BTRAN** signals during **BCLK** HIGH. This may continue for many cycles if the previous transfer is waited.

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Prior to handover, **BTRAN** must indicate an address-only cycle as the new bus master must commence with an address-only cycle to allow for bus turnaround.

- 2 When the previous transfer completes, the new bus master is granted.
- 3 In the last clock HIGH phase of the previous transfer, the address bus stops being driven by the previous bus master.
- 4 The new bus master starts to drive the address bus and control signals during the clock LOW phase.
- 5 The first transfer may then commence in the following bus cycle.

During a waited transfer, bus master handover may be delayed and it is possible that the **AGNT** to a particular bus master may be asserted and then negated, if another higher priority bus master then requests the bus before the current transfer has completed.

## 11.12 Default Bus Master

Every system must be designed with a single default bus master, which is granted when no other bus master is requesting the bus. The default bus master is responsible for driving the following signals to ensure the bus remains active.

- **BTRAN** must be driven to indicate address-only transfer.
- **BLOK** must be driven LOW.

**Note** *If the ARM720T is to be the default bus master then the **AREQ** signal from the ARM720T should not be used.*

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## AMBA Test

This chapter describes the test features of ARM720T.

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## 12.1 Slave Operation (Test mode)

When the block is selected as a slave, it is possible to write and read test vectors to the core using the AMBA test methodology.

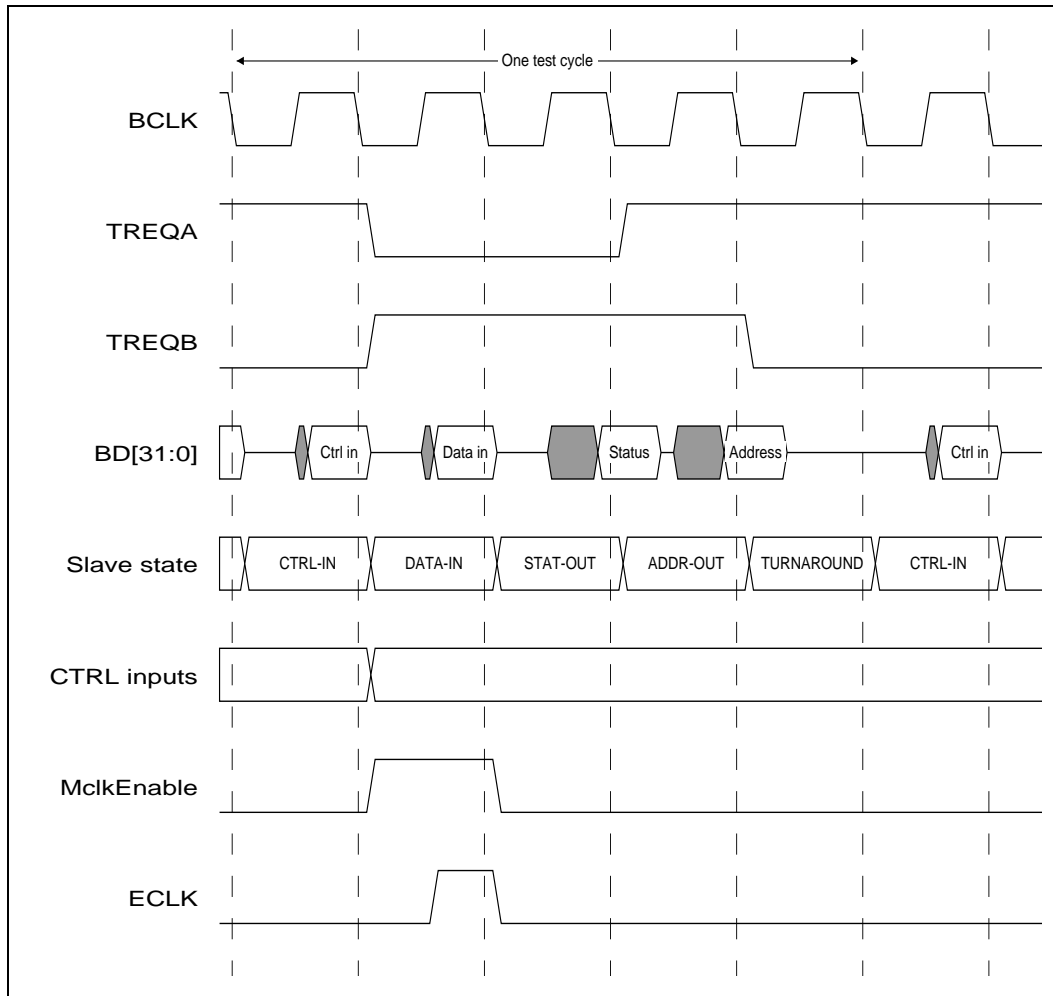
The **BTRAN** provides 4 test modes for this purpose:

- ARM720T test mode
- ARM7DMT Core test mode
- RAM test mode
- TAG test mode

To apply test vectors to the ARM720T, the ARM720T block must have been deselected as a master (**AGNT** goes LOW). The Test Interface Controller becomes the bus master, and the ARM720T is selected as a slave using the signal **DSELARM**. This places the ARM720T into test mode, and allows access to the test registers.

The tests are sequenced by the test state machine in the AMBA interface, which generates the appropriate control signals for the test modes.

A sample test sequence is shown in **Figure 12-1: Running a test vector on the processor core**.



**Figure 12-1: Running a test vector on the processor core**

## 12.2 ARM720T Test Mode

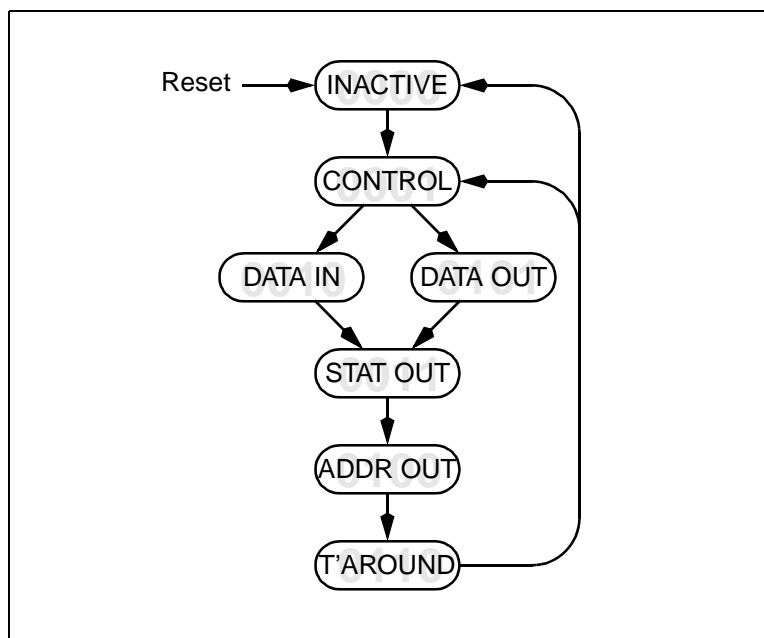
The ARM720T test mode is used to test the functionality of the:

- cache control logic
- write buffer
- protection unit
- cache

To perform this test control, stimuli are applied to the control register, see **Table 12-3: Status packet bit positions bits [31:0]** on page 12-8.

Data packets are read or written as appropriate and the address and status are read back (see **Table 12-3: Status packet bit positions bits [31:0]** on page 12-8).

The sequencing for this test mode is as shown in **Figure 12-2: State machine for ARM720T and ARM7TDMI test**. This is the default test mode, and is selected when the bits [31:29] of the control register are set LOW (see **Table 12-3: Status packet bit positions bits [31:0]** on page 12-8).



**Figure 12-2: State machine for ARM720T and ARM7TDMI test**

**MCLKENABLE** is an internal signal that controls the clocking of the ARM720T and is ascertained only in the DataIn and DataOut status.

## 12.3 ARM7DMT Core Test Mode

Address packet bit	RAM signal	Description
[24:23]	<b>MAS[1:0]</b>	RAM access size
22	<b>RSEQ</b>	RAM sequential signal
21	<b>IMMED</b>	Immediate write signal, controls write pipeline, and selects between <b>RAMSEL[3:0]</b> and <b>SETSEL[3:0]</b> .
20	<b>WRITE</b>	RAM write strobe
19	<b>READ</b>	RAM read strobe
[18:15]	<b>RAMSEL[3:0]</b>	RAM bank select signal, used when <b>IMMED</b> is LOW
[14:11]	<b>SETSEL[3:0]</b>	RAM bank select signal, used when <b>IMMED</b> is HIGH
[10:0]	<b>ADDR[10:0]</b>	RAM address

**Table 12-1: RAM test mode address packet bit positions**

The ARM7TDMI test places the ARM720T into a test mode so that the signals of the ARM7DMT are visible to the AMBA interface. In this mode, the rest of ARM720T is held in reset. The ARM720T is placed in the mode by setting bit 31 of the control register, see **Table 12-4: Control Packet bit positions bits [31:0]** on page 12-10.

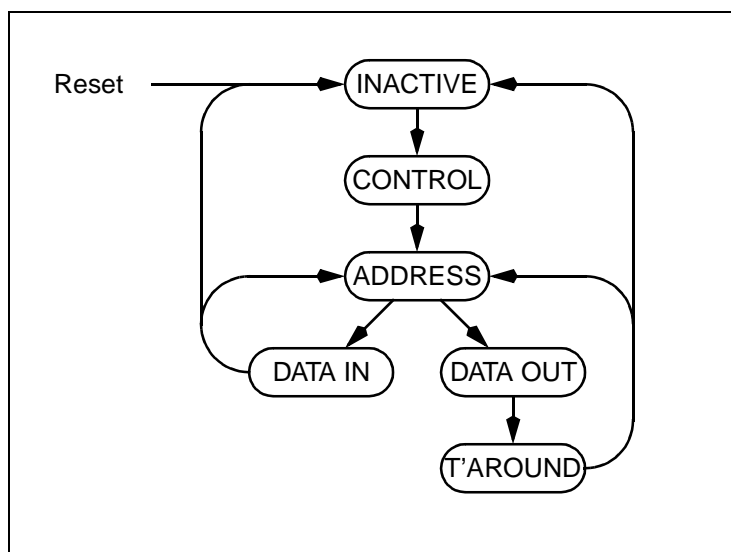
## 12.4 RAM Test Mode

The RAM test mode is used to perform an intensive test of the RAM arrays, to provide full coverage of bit faults. In this test mode, the rest of the ARM720T is held in the reset and direct access is provided to the data, address and control signals of the RAM.

To accommodate this, an alternative test sequence is used, see **Figure 12-3: State machine for RAM test mode**.

In this test mode, the RAM control signals are derived from unused address bits, as shown in **Table 12-1: RAM test mode address packet bit positions** on page 12-4.

To enter RAM test mode, bits 30 and 28 of the control packet should be set. This places the ARM720T into RAM test mode, and forces the RAM to be clocked from the **FCLK** input.

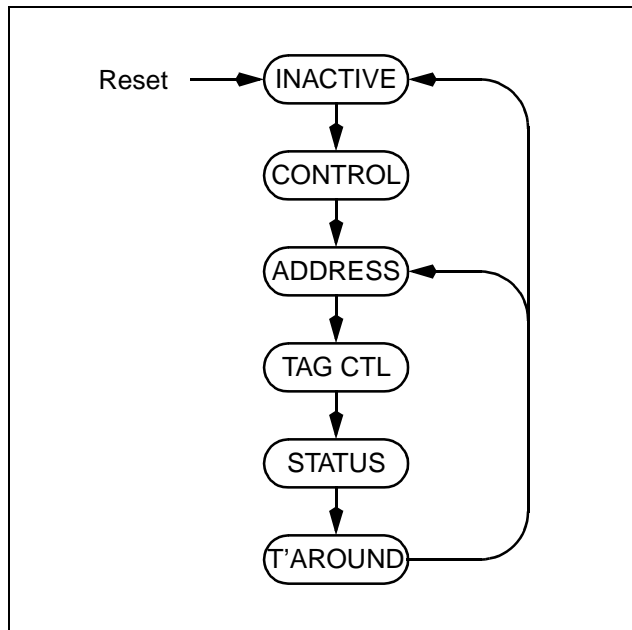


**Figure 12-3: State machine for RAM test mode**

## 12.5 TAG Test Mode

The TAG test mode is used to perform an intensive test of all of the cells of the TAG array, and to test the TAG comparators. In this test mode, the rest of the ARM720T is held in reset and direct access is provided to the data, address and control signals of the RAM. See **Figure 12-4: State machine for TAG test mode**. In this test mode the TAG control signals are derived from the TAG CTL packet as shown in **Table 12-2: TAG test mode TAG CTL packet bit positions** on page 12-6.

To enter TAG test mode, bits 29 and 28 of the control packet should be set. This places the ARM720T into TAG test mode, and forces the TAG to be clocked from the **FCLK** input.



**Figure 12-4: State machine for TAG test mode**

TAG CTL packet bit	TAG signal	Description
[11:8]	<b>FLUSH[3:0]</b>	When asserted each bit flushes the appropriate TAG arrays
[7:4]	<b>TAGSEL[3:0]</b>	Tag select signal, each bit selects a TAG array
2	<b>WRITE</b>	TAG write strobe
1	<b>READ</b>	TAG read strobe
0	<b>VALID</b>	Valid input, the value on <b>VALID</b> is written into the valid cell in the array on a write.

**Table 12-2: TAG test mode TAG CTL packet bit positions**

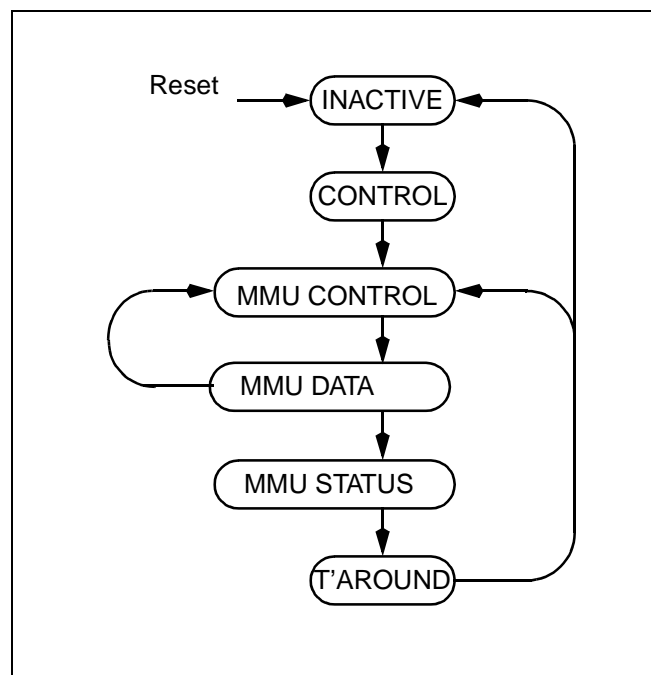


## 12.6 MMU Test Mode

The MMU Test Mode is used to perform an intensive test of all the cells in the TLB array and to test the protection mechanism. In this test mode the rest of the ARM720T is held in reset and direct access is provided to the data, control and translated address of the MMU. See **Figure 12-5: State machine for MMU test mode** on page 12-7.

In this test mode, the MMU Control Signals are derived from the MMU CM packet.

To enter MMU test mode, bits 28 and 27 of the control packet should be set. This places the ARM720T into MMU test mode and forces the MMU to be clocked from the **FCLK** input.



**Figure 12-5: State machine for MMU test mode**

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## 12.7 Test Register Mapping

The test registers are defined in the following tables:

- **Table 12-3: Status packet bit positions bits [31:0]**
- **Table 12-4: Control Packet bit positions bits [31:0]** on page 12-10

### 12.7.1 Status packet bit positions

Bit	ARM7TDMI Test	ARM720T Test	Notes
31	<b>BUSDIS</b> Bus Disable		
30	<b>SCREG[3]</b> Scan chain register	<b>SCREG[3]</b> Scan chain register	
29	<b>SCREG[2]</b> Scan chain register	<b>SCREG[2]</b> Scan chain register	
28	<b>SCREG[1]</b> Scan chain register	<b>SCREG[1]</b> Scan chain register	
27	<b>SCREG[0]</b> Scan chain register	<b>SCREG[0]</b> Scan chain register	
26	<b>HIGHZ</b> HIGHZ instruction in TAP controller	<b>HIGHZ</b> HIGHZ instruction in TAP controller	
25	<b>nTDOEN</b> not <b>TDO</b> enable	<b>nTDOEN</b> not <b>TDO</b> enable	
24	<b>DBG RQI</b> Internal debug request	<b>DBG RQI</b> Internal debug request	
23	<b>RANGEOUT0</b> ICEbreaker Rangeout0	<b>RANGEOUT0</b> ICEbreaker Rangeout0	
22	<b>RANGEOUT1</b> ICEbreaker Rangeout1	<b>RANGEOUT1</b> ICEbreaker Rangeout1	
21	<b>COMMRX</b> Communications channel receive	<b>COMMRX</b> Communications channel receive	
20	<b>COMMTX</b> Communications channel transmit	<b>COMMTX</b> Communications channel transmit	
19	<b>DBGACK</b> Debug acknowledge	<b>DBGACK</b> Debug acknowledge	
18	<b>TDO</b> Test data out	<b>TDO</b> Test data out	
17	<b>nENOUT</b> Not enable output.	<b>nENOUT</b> Not enable output	<b>nENOUT</b> is only valid during the data access cycle, so <b>MCLKENABLE</b> is used to clock a transparent latch that will capture the correct state.

**Table 12-3: Status packet bit positions bits [31:0]**

Bit	ARM7TDMI Test	ARM720T Test	Notes
16	<b>nENOUTI</b> Not enable output	<b>PROTWATCH[3]</b> Protection Unit test output	nENOUTI as nENOUT
15	<b>TBIT</b> Thumb state	<b>PROTWATCH[2]</b> Protection Unit test output	
14	<b>nCPI</b> Not Coprocessor instruction		
13	<b>nM[4]</b> Not processor mode	<b>CAMWATCH[2]</b> Replacement test output	
12	<b>nM[3]</b> Not processor mode	<b>CAMWATCH[1]</b> Replacement test output	
11	<b>nM[2]</b> Not processor mode	<b>CAMWATCH[0]</b> Replacement test output	
10	<b>nM[1]</b> Not processor mode	<b>IDCWATCH[3]</b> Cache test output	
9	<b>nM[0]</b> Not processor mode	<b>IDCWATCH[2]</b> Cache test output	
8	<b>nTRANS</b> Not memory translate	<b>IDCWATCH[1]</b> Cache test output	
7	<b>nEXEC</b> Not executed	<b>IDCWATCH[0]</b> Cache test output	
6	<b>LOCK</b> Locked operation.	<b>LOCK</b> Locked operation	
5	<b>MAS[1]</b> Memory Access Size	<b>MAS[1]</b> Memory Access Size	
4	<b>MAS[0]</b> Memory Access Size	<b>MAS[0]</b> Memory Access Size	
3	<b>nOPC</b> Not op-code fetch	<b>nENOUT</b> Not enable output	
2	<b>nRW</b> Not read/write	<b>nRW</b> Not read/write	
1	<b>nMREQ</b> Not memory request	<b>nMREQ</b> Not memory request	
0	<b>SEQ</b> Sequential address	<b>SEQ</b> Sequential address	

**Table 12-3: Status packet bit positions bits [31:0] (Continued)**

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## 12.7.2 Control packet bit positions

Bit	ARM7TDMI Input	ARM720T Input	Notes
31	<b>TESTCPU</b> ARM7TDMI test enable	<b>TESTCPU</b> ARM7TDMI test enable	
30		<b>TAGTEST</b> TAG test mode enable	
29		<b>RAMTEST</b> RAM test mode enable	
28	<b>nENIN</b> NOT enable input.	<b>FORCECLK</b> Clock select override	<b>nENIN</b> is gated with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> , so it is only valid (LOW) during data access.
27	<b>SDOUTBS</b> Boundary scan serial output data	<b>MMUTEST</b> MMU test mode enable	
26	<b>TBE</b> Test bus enable		
25	<b>APE</b> Address pipeline enable		
24	<b>BL[3]</b> Byte Latch Control		ANDed with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> , so is only valid during data access cycle.
23	<b>BL[2]</b> Byte Latch Control		ANDed with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> , so is only valid during data access cycle.
22	<b>BL[1]</b> Byte Latch Control		ANDed with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> , so is only valid during data access cycle.
21	<b>BL[0]</b> Byte Latch Control		ANDed with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> , so is only valid during data access cycle.
20	<b>TMS</b> Test Mode Select	<b>TMS</b> Test Mode Select	
19	<b>TDI</b> Test Data in	<b>TDI</b> Test Data in	
18	<b>TCK</b> Test clock	<b>TCK</b> Test clock	ANDed with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> and <b>BCLK</b> .
17	<b>nTRST</b> Not Test Reset.	<b>nTRST</b> Not Test Reset	
16	<b>EXTERN1</b> External input 1	<b>EXTERN1</b> External input 1	
15	<b>EXTERN0</b> External input 0	<b>EXTERN0</b> External input 0	
14	<b>DBGREQ</b> Debug request	<b>DBGREQ</b> Debug request	

Table 12-4: Control Packet bit positions bits [31:0]

Bit	ARM7TDMI Input	ARM720T Input	Notes
13	<b>BREAKPT</b> Breakpoint	<b>BREAKPT</b> Breakpoint	
12	<b>DBGEN</b> Debug Enable	<b>DBGEN</b> Debug Enable	
11	<b>ISYNC</b> Synchronous interrupts		
10	<b>BIGEND</b> Big Endian configuration	<b>WINCE EN</b> WinCe Enhancements enable	
9	<b>CPA</b> Coprocessor absent	<b>CPA</b> Coprocessor absent	
8	<b>CPB</b> Coprocessor busy	<b>CPB</b> Coprocessor busy	
7	<b>ABE</b> Address bus enable	<b>SnA</b> Clock Configuration	This should normally be set HIGH, as if the bus is tri-stated ( <b>ABE</b> low), then it is not possible to read address values.
6	<b>ALE</b> Address latch enable	<b>ALE</b> Address latch enable	
5	<b>DBE</b> Data Bus Enable	<b>FASTBUS</b> Clock configuration	<b>DBE</b> to the ARM7DMT is ANDed with the state machine generated <b>DBE</b> and <b>BCLK</b> to prevent bus conflict.
4	<b>nFIQ</b> Not fast interrupt request.	<b>nFIQ</b> Not fast interrupt request	
3	<b>nIRQ</b> Not interrupt request	<b>nIRQ</b> Not interrupt request	
2	<b>ABORT</b> Memory Abort	<b>ABORT</b> Memory Abort	
1	<b>nWAIT</b> Not wait	<b>nWAIT</b> Not wait	ANDed with <b>MCLKENABLE</b> , so that the core state can only change during the data access cycle.
0	<b>nRESET</b> Not reset	<b>nRESET</b> Not reset	

**Table 12-4: Control Packet bit positions bits [31:0] (Continued)**

