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# [Bug Report] Incorrect \*tval for ecall/ebreak #898

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Contributor

Our co-simulation framework found that the \*tval of ecall/ebreak is incorrect.  
In cva6, after ecall/ebreak , \*tval will set to the machine code of the ecall/ebreak instruction.

In the following test case, after calling ebreak in s-mode, the value of mtval register is written to 0x100073 , which is the machine code of ebreak instruction.

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[spike] core 0: 0x0000000080000174 (0x00100193) li gp, 1
[cva6] 664ns 649 S 0000000080000174 0 00100193 li gp, 1
[cva6] Exception @ 66500, PC: 0000000080000178, Cause: Breakpoint, tval: 000000000100073
[spike] core 0: 0x0000000080000178 (0x00100073) ebreak
[spike] core 0: exception trap_breakpoint, epc 0x0000000080000178
[spike] core 0: tval 0x0000000080000178
... /* in handler */
[spike] core 0: 0x0000000080000190 (0x343022f3) csrr t0, mtval
[error] WDATA SIM 0000000080000178, DUT 000000000100073
[error] check board clear 5 error
[CJ] integer register Judge Failed
```

riscv-privileged P41 : If mtval is written with a nonzero value when a breakpoint, address-misaligned, access-fault, or page-fault exception occurs on an instruction fetch, load, or store, then mtval will contain the faulting virtual address.

According to specifications, mtval should be the faulting address (or zero).

Issue [448](#) tests the value in stval of ecall from user mode, our verification framework further discovered that ebreak also has the same bug, and both of them could be triggered under **any privilege modes**.

ebreak testcase: [cva6-1.zip](#)

ecall testcase: [cva6-2.zip](#)

@LuminaDCIX helps reproduce the problem

zarubaf commented on Jun 7

Contributor

Indeed, the instruction bits are the default case for every instruction. Confirming that we are not complying.

ebreak / ecall should be able to be triggered from any privilege level, no? How would a syscall/debug call work otherwise from user space?

Phantom1003 commented on Jun 7

Contributor

Author

Thanks, the point we wanted to confirm was the mismatched \*tval.

And sorry for the confusion in my description, we wanted to point out that the ecall/ebreak triggered in any privileged mode will produce a mismatched value, not just the case in user mode as mentioned in 448.

#### Assignees

No one assigned

#### Labels

None yet

#### Projects

None yet

#### Milestone

No milestone

#### Development

No branches or pull requests

2 participants

