## 2.3.5 Exceptions and Interrupts

The Cortex-M4F processor supports interrupts and system exceptions. The processor and the Nested Vectored Interrupt Controller (NVIC) prioritize and handle all exceptions. An exception changes the normal flow of software control. The processor uses Handler mode to handle all exceptions except for reset. See "Exception Entry and Return" on page 106 for more information.

The NVIC registers control interrupt handling. See "Nested Vectored Interrupt Controller (NVIC)" on page 122 for more information.

## 2.3.6 Data Types

The Cortex-M4F supports 32-bit words, 16-bit halfwords, and 8-bit bytes. The processor also supports 64-bit data transfer instructions. All instruction and data memory accesses are little endian. See "Memory Regions, Types and Attributes" on page 93 for more information.

## 2.4 Memory Model

This section describes the processor memory map, the behavior of memory accesses, and the bit-banding features. The processor has a fixed memory map that provides up to 4 GB of addressable memory.

The memory map for the TM4C123GH6PM controller is provided in Table 2-4 on page 90. In this manual, register addresses are given as a hexadecimal increment, relative to the module's base address as shown in the memory map.

The regions for SRAM and peripherals include bit-band regions. Bit-banding provides atomic operations to bit data (see "Bit-Banding" on page 95).

The processor reserves regions of the Private peripheral bus (PPB) address range for core peripheral registers (see "Cortex-M4 Peripherals" on page 120).

**Note:** Within the memory map, attempts to read or write addresses in reserved spaces result in a bus fault. In addition, attempts to write addresses in the flash range also result in a bus fault.

Table 2-4. Memory Map

Start	End	Description	For details, see page
Memory			
0x0000.0000	0x0003.FFFF	On-chip Flash	539
0x0004.0000	0x00FF.FFFF	Reserved	-
0x0100.0000	0x1FFF.FFFF	Reserved for ROM	524
0x2000.0000	0x2000.7FFF	Bit-banded on-chip SRAM	523
0x2000.8000	0x21FF.FFFF	Reserved	-
0x2200.0000	0x220F.FFFF	Bit-band alias of bit-banded on-chip SRAM starting at 0x2000.0000	523
0x2210.0000	0x3FFF.FFFF	Reserved	-
Peripherals			'
0x4000.0000	0x4000.0FFF	Watchdog timer 0 774	
0x4000.1000	0x4000.1FFF	Watchdog timer 1	774
0x4000.2000	0x4000.3FFF	Reserved	-
0x4000.4000	0x4000.4FFF	GPIO Port A	658

Table 2-4. Memory Map (continued)

Start	End	Description	For details, see page
0x4000.5000	0x4000.5FFF	GPIO Port B	658
0x4000.6000	0x4000.6FFF	GPIO Port C	658
0x4000.7000	0x4000.7FFF	GPIO Port D	658
0x4000.8000	0x4000.8FFF	SSI0	963
0x4000.9000	0x4000.9FFF	SSI1	963
0x4000.A000	0x4000.AFFF	SSI2	963
0x4000.B000	0x4000.BFFF	SSI3	963
0x4000.C000	0x4000.CFFF	UART0	902
0x4000.D000	0x4000.DFFF	UART1	902
0x4000.E000	0x4000.EFFF	UART2	902
0x4000.F000	0x4000.FFFF	UART3	902
0x4001.0000	0x4001.0FFF	UART4	902
0x4001.1000	0x4001.1FFF	UART5	902
0x4001.2000	0x4001.2FFF	UART6	902
0x4001.3000	0x4001.3FFF	UART7	902
0x4001.4000	0x4001.FFFF	Reserved	-
Peripherals	<u> </u>		-
0x4002.0000	0x4002.0FFF	l <sup>2</sup> C 0	1013
0x4002.1000	0x4002.1FFF	I <sup>2</sup> C 1	1013
0x4002.2000	0x4002.2FFF	I <sup>2</sup> C 2	1013
0x4002.3000	0x4002.3FFF	I <sup>2</sup> C 3	1013
0x4002.4000	0x4002.4FFF	GPIO Port E	658
0x4002.5000	0x4002.5FFF	GPIO Port F	658
0x4002.6000	0x4002.7FFF	Reserved	-
0x4002.8000	0x4002.8FFF	PWM 0	1237
0x4002.9000	0x4002.9FFF	PWM 1	1237
0x4002.A000	0x4002.BFFF	Reserved	-
0x4002.C000	0x4002.CFFF	QEI0	1305
0x4002.D000	0x4002.DFFF	QEI1	1305
0x4002.E000	0x4002.FFFF	Reserved	-
0x4003.0000	0x4003.0FFF	16/32-bit Timer 0	723
0x4003.1000	0x4003.1FFF	16/32-bit Timer 1	723
0x4003.2000	0x4003.2FFF	16/32-bit Timer 2	723
0x4003.3000	0x4003.3FFF	16/32-bit Timer 3	723
0x4003.4000	0x4003.4FFF	16/32-bit Timer 4	723
0x4003.5000	0x4003.5FFF	16/32-bit Timer 5	723
0x4003.6000	0x4003.6FFF	32/64-bit Timer 0	723
0x4003.7000	0x4003.7FFF	32/64-bit Timer 1	723
0x4003.8000	0x4003.8FFF	ADC0	817
0x4003.9000	0x4003.9FFF	ADC1	817
0x4003.A000	0x4003.BFFF	Reserved	-

Table 2-4. Memory Map (continued)

Start	End	Description	For details, see page
0x4003.C000	0x4003.CFFF	Analog Comparators	1209
0x4003.D000	0x4003.FFFF	Reserved	-
0x4004.0000	0x4004.0FFF	CAN0 Controller	1063
0x4004.1000	0x4004.1FFF	CAN1 Controller	1063
0x4004.2000	0x4004.BFFF	Reserved	-
0x4004.C000	0x4004.CFFF	32/64-bit Timer 2	723
0x4004.D000	0x4004.DFFF	32/64-bit Timer 3	723
0x4004.E000	0x4004.EFFF	32/64-bit Timer 4	723
0x4004.F000	0x4004.FFFF	32/64-bit Timer 5	723
0x4005.0000	0x4005.0FFF	USB	1115
0x4005.1000	0x4005.7FFF	Reserved	-
0x4005.8000	0x4005.8FFF	GPIO Port A (AHB aperture)	658
0x4005.9000	0x4005.9FFF	GPIO Port B (AHB aperture)	658
0x4005.A000	0x4005.AFFF	GPIO Port C (AHB aperture)	658
0x4005.B000	0x4005.BFFF	GPIO Port D (AHB aperture)	658
0x4005.C000	0x4005.CFFF	GPIO Port E (AHB aperture)	658
0x4005.D000	0x4005.DFFF	GPIO Port F (AHB aperture)	658
0x4005.E000	0x400A.EFFF	Reserved	-
0x400A.F000	0x400A.FFFF	EEPROM and Key Locker	557
0x400B.0000	0x400F.8FFF	Reserved	-
0x400F.9000	0x400F.9FFF	System Exception Module	483
0x400F.A000	0x400F.BFFF	Reserved	-
0x400F.C000	0x400F.CFFF	Hibernation Module	504
0x400F.D000	0x400F.DFFF	Flash memory control	539
0x400F.E000	0x400F.EFFF	System control	235
0x400F.F000	0x400F.FFFF	μDMA	604
0x4010.0000	0x41FF.FFFF	Reserved	-
0x4200.0000	0x43FF.FFFF	Bit-banded alias of 0x4000.0000 through 0x400F.FFFF	-
0x4400.0000	0xDFFF.FFFF	Reserved	-
Private Peripheral Bus	-	,	'
0xE000.0000	0xE000.0FFF	Instrumentation Trace Macrocell (ITM)	69
0xE000.1000	0xE000.1FFF	Data Watchpoint and Trace (DWT)	69
0xE000.2000	0xE000.2FFF	Flash Patch and Breakpoint (FPB)	69
0xE000.3000	0xE000.DFFF	Reserved	-
0xE000.E000	0xE000.EFFF	Cortex-M4F Peripherals (SysTick, NVIC, MPU, FPU and SCB)	132
0xE000.F000	0xE003.FFFF	Reserved	-
0xE004.0000	0xE004.0FFF	Trace Port Interface Unit (TPIU)	70
0xE004.1000	0xE004.1FFF	Embedded Trace Macrocell (ETM)	69
0xE004.2000	0xFFFF.FFFF	Reserved	-