CNTFRQ_EL0, Counter-timer Frequency register

The CNTFRQ_EL0 characteristics are:

Purpose

This register is provided so that software can discover the frequency of the system counter. It must be programmed with this value as part of system initialization. The value of the register is not interpreted by hardware.

Configuration

AArch64 System register CNTFRQ_EL0 bits [31:0] are architecturally mapped to AArch32 System register CNTFRQ[31:0].

Attributes

CNTFRQ_EL0 is a 64-bit register.

Field descriptions

63 62 61 60 59 58 57 56 55 54 53 52 51 50 49 48 47 46 45 44 43 42 41 40 39 38 37 36 35 34 33 32
RES0
Clock frequency
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

Bits [63:32]

Reserved, res0.

Bits [31:0]

Clock frequency. Indicates the system counter clock frequency, in Hz.

The reset behavior of this field is:

- On a Warm reset, this field resets to an architecturally unknown value.

Accessing CNTFRQ_EL0

Accesses to this register use the following encodings in the System register encoding space:

MRS <Xt>, CNTFRQ_EL0

op0	op1	CRn	CRm	op2
0b11	0b011	0b1110	0b0000	0b000

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if PSTATE.EL == EL0 then
    if !(EL2Enabled() && HCR_EL2.<E2H,TGE> == '11')
&& CNTKCTL_EL1.<EL0PCTEN,EL0VCTEN> == '00' then
        if EL2Enabled() && HCR_EL2.TGE == '1' then
            AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
        else
            AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL1, 0x18);
    elsif EL2Enabled() && HCR_EL2.<E2H,TGE> == '11'
&& CNTHCTL_EL2.<EL0PCTEN,EL0VCTEN> == '00' then
        AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
    else
        X[t, 64] = CNTFRQ_EL0;
elsif PSTATE.EL == EL1 then
    X[t, 64] = CNTFRQ_EL0;
elsif PSTATE.EL == EL2 then
    X[t, 64] = CNTFRQ_EL0;
elsif PSTATE.EL == EL3 then
    X[t, 64] = CNTFRQ_EL0;
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MSR CNTFRQ_EL0, <Xt>

op0	op1	CRn	CRm	op2
0b11	0b011	0b1110	0b0000	0b000

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if IsHighestEL(PSTATE.EL) then
    CNTFRQ_EL0 = X[t, 64];
else
    UNDEFINED;
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