

SPSR_abt, Saved Program Status Register (Abort mode)

The SPSR_abt characteristics are:

Purpose

Holds the saved process state when an exception is taken to Abort mode.

Configuration

AArch64 System register SPSR_abt bits [31:0] are architecturally mapped to AArch32 System register [SPSR_abt\[31:0\]](#).

If EL1 only supports execution in AArch64 state, this register is res0 from EL2 and EL3.

Attributes

SPSR_abt is a 64-bit register.

Field descriptions

When EL1 can only use AArch64:

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																															
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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 [63:0]

Reserved, res0.

Otherwise:

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																															
N	Z	C	V	Q	IT[1:0]	SSBS	PAN	DIT	IL	GE	IT[7:2]	E	A	I	F	T	M[4:0]														
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.

N, bit [31]

Negative Condition flag. Set to the value of PSTATE.N on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.N on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

Z, bit [30]

Zero Condition flag. Set to the value of PSTATE.Z on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.Z on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

C, bit [29]

Carry Condition flag. Set to the value of PSTATE.C on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.C on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

V, bit [28]

Overflow Condition flag. Set to the value of PSTATE.V on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.V on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

Q, bit [27]

Overflow or saturation flag. Set to the value of PSTATE.Q on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.Q on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

IT, bits [15:10, 26:25]

If-Then. Set to the value of PSTATE.IT on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.IT on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

SPSR_abt.IT must contain a value that is valid for the instruction being returned to.

The IT field is split as follows:

- IT[1:0] is SPSR_abt[26:25].
- IT[7:2] is SPSR_abt[15:10].

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

J, bit [24]

res0.

In previous versions of the architecture, the {J, T} bits determined the AArch32 Instruction set state.

Armv8 does not support either Jazelle state or T32EE state, and the T bit determines the Instruction set state.

SSBS, bit [23]

When FEAT_SSBS is implemented:

Speculative Store Bypass. Set to the value of PSTATE.SSBS on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.SSBS on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

PAN, bit [22]**When FEAT_PAN is implemented:**

Privileged Access Never. Set to the value of PSTATE.PAN on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.PAN on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

DIT, bit [21]**When FEAT_DIT is implemented:**

Data Independent Timing. Set to the value of PSTATE.DIT on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.DIT on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

Otherwise:

Reserved, res0.

IL, bit [20]

Illegal Execution state. Set to the value of PSTATE.IL on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.IL on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

GE, bits [19:16]

Greater than or Equal flags. Set to the value of PSTATE.GE on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.GE on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

E, bit [9]

Endianness. Set to the value of PSTATE.E on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.E on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

If the implementation does not support big-endian operation, SPSR_abt.E is res0. If the implementation does not support little-endian operation, SPSR_abt.E is res1. On executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode, if the implementation does not support big-endian operation at the Exception level being returned to, SPSR_abt.E is res0, and if the implementation does not support little-endian operation at the Exception level being returned to, SPSR_abt.E is res1.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

A, bit [8]

SError interrupt mask. Set to the value of PSTATE.A on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.A on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

I, bit [7]

IRQ interrupt mask. Set to the value of PSTATE.I on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.I on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

F, bit [6]

FIQ interrupt mask. Set to the value of PSTATE.F on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.F on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

T, bit [5]

T32 Instruction set state. Set to the value of PSTATE.T on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.T on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

M[4:0], bits [4:0]

Mode. Set to the value of PSTATE.M[4:0] on taking an exception to Abort mode, and copied to PSTATE.M[4:0] on executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode.

M[4:0]	Meaning
0b10000	User.
0b10001	FIQ.
0b10010	IRQ.
0b10011	Supervisor.
0b10111	Abort.
0b11011	Undefined.
0b11111	System.

Other values are reserved. If SPSR_abt.M[4:0] has a Reserved value, or a value for an unimplemented Exception level, executing an illegal exception return operation in Abort mode is an illegal return event, as described in 'Illegal return events from AArch32 state'.

The reset behavior of this field is:

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

Accessing SPSR_abt

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

MRS <Xt>, SPSR_abt

op0	op1	CRn	CRm	op2
0b11	0b100	0b0100	0b0011	0b001

```
if PSTATE.EL == EL0 then
    UNDEFINED;
elseif PSTATE.EL == EL1 then
    if EL2Enabled() && HCR_EL2.NV == '1' then
        AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
    else
        UNDEFINED;
elseif PSTATE.EL == EL2 then
    X[t, 64] = SPSR_abt;
elseif PSTATE.EL == EL3 then
    X[t, 64] = SPSR_abt;
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MSR SPSR_abt, <Xt>

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0b11	0b100	0b0100	0b0011	0b001

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        AArch64.SystemAccessTrap(EL2, 0x18);
    else
        UNDEFINED;
elseif PSTATE.EL == EL2 then
    SPSR_abt = X[t, 64];
elseif PSTATE.EL == EL3 then
    SPSR_abt = X[t, 64];
```

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