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Preface

This preface introduces the ARM920T processor and its reference documentation. It contains the following sections:

- *About this document* on page xvi
- *Further reading* on page xx
- *Feedback* on page xxi.

About this document

This document is the technical reference manual for the ARM920T processor.

Intended audience

This document has been written for hardware and software engineers who want to design or develop products based upon the ARM920T processor. It assumes no prior knowledge of ARM products.

Using this manual

This document is organized into the following chapters:

Chapter 1 *Introduction*

Read this chapter for an introduction to the ARM920T.

Chapter 2 *Programmer's Model*

Read this chapter for a description of the programmer's model for the ARM920T.

Chapter 3 *Memory Management Unit*

Read this chapter for a description of the memory management unit and the memory interface, including descriptions of the instruction and data interfaces.

Chapter 4 *Caches, Write Buffer, and Physical Address TAG (PA TAG) RAM*

Read this chapter for descriptions of cache, write buffer, and PA TAG RAM operation.

Chapter 5 *Clock Modes*

Read this chapter for a description of the processor clock modes.

Chapter 6 *Bus Interface Unit*

Read this chapter for a description of the bus interface unit and the AMBA ASB and AHB interface.

Chapter 7 *Coprocessor Interface*

Read this chapter for a description of the ARM920T coprocessor interface.

Chapter 8 *Trace Interface Port*

Read this chapter for a description of the Trace Interface Port of the ARM920T.

Chapter 9 *Debug Support*

Read this chapter for a description of the debug interface.

Chapter 10 *TrackingICE*

Read this chapter for a description of how the ARM920T uses TrackingICE mode.

Chapter 11 *AMBA Test Interface*

Read this chapter for a description of the AMBA test interface.

Chapter 12 *Instruction Cycle Summary and Interlocks*

Read this chapter for details of instruction cycle times. This chapter contains timing diagrams for interlock timing.

Chapter 13 *AC Characteristics*

Read this chapter for a description of the timing parameters used in the ARM920T.

Appendix A *Signal Descriptions*

Read this chapter for a detailed description of the signals used in the ARM920T.

Appendix B *CP15 Test Registers*

Read this chapter for a detailed description of the CP15 test register used in the ARM920T.

Typographical conventions

The following typographical conventions are used in this book:

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| bold | Highlights ARM processor signal names, and interface elements, such as menu names and buttons. Also used for terms in descriptive lists, where appropriate. |
| <i>italic</i> | Highlights special terminology, cross-references, and citations. |
| typewriter | Denotes text that can be entered at the keyboard, such as commands, file and program names, and source code. |
| <u>typewriter</u> | Denotes a permitted abbreviation for a command or option. The underlined text may be entered instead of the full command or option name. |
| <i>typewriter italic</i> | Denotes arguments to commands or functions, where the argument is to be replaced by a specific value. |
| typewriter bold | Denotes language keywords when used outside example code. |

Timing diagram conventions

This manual contains a number of timing diagrams. Figure P-1 explains the components used in these diagrams. Any variations are clearly labeled when they occur. Therefore, you must not attach any additional meaning unless specifically stated.

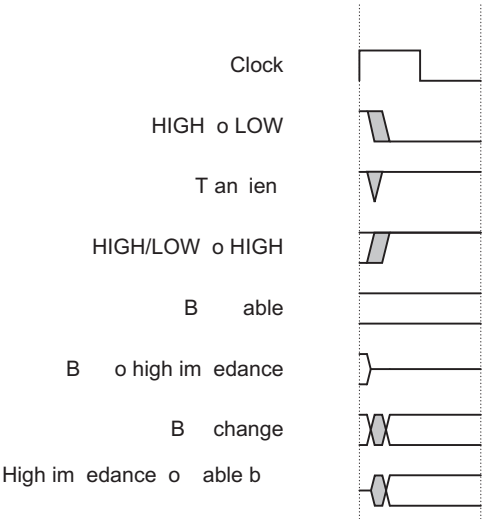


Figure P-1 Key to timing diagram conventions

Shaded bus and signal areas are undefined, so the bus or signal can assume any value within the shaded area at that time. The actual level is unimportant and does not affect normal operation.

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ARM publications

This document contains information that is specific to the ARM920T processor. Refer to the following documents for other relevant information:

- *ARM Architecture Reference Manual* (ARM DDI 0100)
- *ARM9TDMI Data Sheet* (ARM DDI 0029).

Other publications

This section lists relevant documents published by third parties.

- IEEE Std. 1149.1- 1990, *Standard Test Access Port and Boundary-Scan Architecture*.

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1.1 About the ARM920T

The ARM920T processor is a member of the ARM9TDMI family of general-purpose microprocessors, which includes:

- ARM9TDMI (core)
- ARM940T (core plus cache and protection unit)
- ARM920T (core plus cache and MMU).

The ARM9TDMI processor core is a Harvard architecture device implemented using a five-stage pipeline consisting of Fetch, Decode, Execute, Memory, and Write stages. It can be provided as a standalone core that can be embedded into more complex devices. The standalone core has a simple bus interface that allows you to design your own caches and memory systems around it.

The ARM9TDMI family of microprocessors supports both the 32-bit ARM and 16-bit Thumb instruction sets, allowing you to trade off between high performance and high code density.

The ARM920T processor is a Harvard cache architecture processor that is targeted at multiprogrammer applications where full memory management, high performance, and low power are all important. The separate instruction and data caches in this design are 16KB each in size, with an 8-word line length. The ARM920T processor implements an enhanced ARM architecture v4 MMU to provide translation and access permission checks for instruction and data addresses.

The ARM920T processor supports the ARM debug architecture and includes logic to assist in both hardware and software debug. The ARM920T processor also includes support for coprocessors, exporting the instruction and data buses along with simple handshaking signals.

The ARM920T interface to the rest of the system is over unified address and data buses. This interface enables implementation of either an *Advanced Microcontroller Bus Architecture* (AMBA) *Advanced System Bus* (ASB) or *Advanced High-performance Bus* (AHB) bus scheme either as a fully-compliant AMBA bus master, or as a slave for production test. The ARM920T processor also has a *Tracking ICE* mode which allows an approach similar to a conventional ICE mode of operation.

The ARM920T processor supports the addition of an *Embedded Trace Macrocell* (ETM) for real-time tracing of instructions and data.

1.2 Processor functional block diagram

Figure 1-1 shows the functional block diagram of the ARM920T processor.

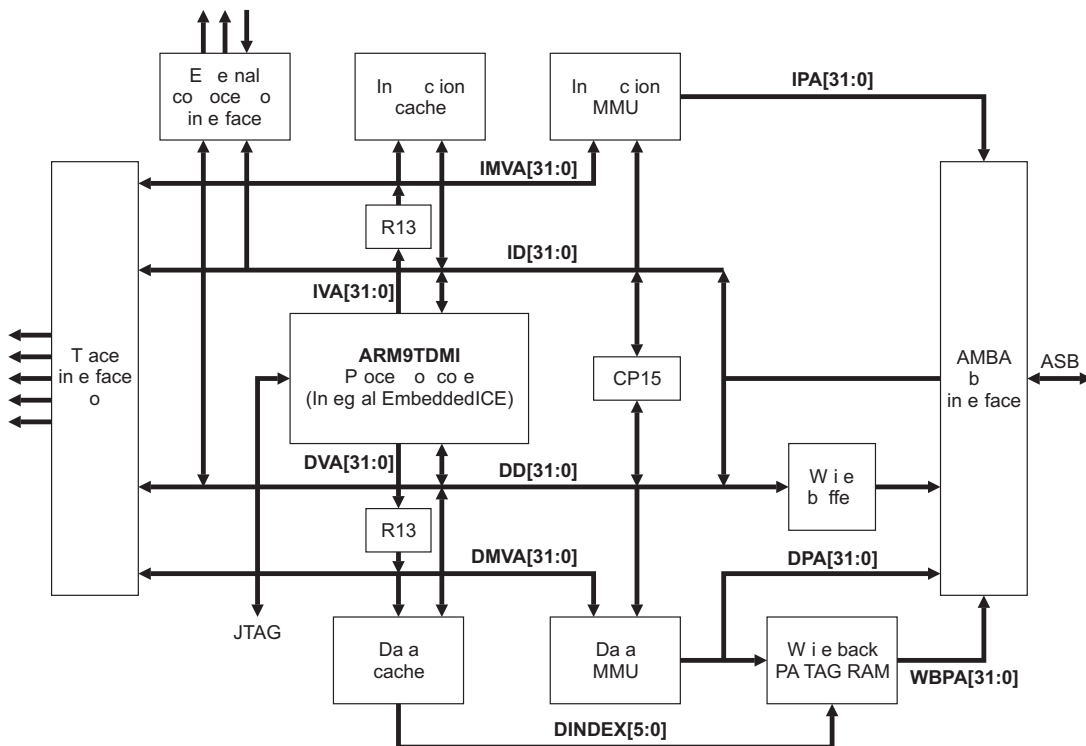


Figure 1-1 ARM920T functional block diagram

The blocks shown in Figure 1-1 are described as follows:

- The ARM9TDMI core is described in the *ARM9TDMI Technical Reference Manual*.
- Register 13 and coprocessor 15 are described in Chapter 2 *Programmer's Model*.
- The instruction and data MMUs are described in Chapter 3 *Memory Management Unit*.
- The instruction and data caches, the write buffer, and the write-back PA TAG RAM are described in Chapter 4 *Caches, Write Buffer, and Physical Address TAG (PA TAG) RAM*.

- The AMBA bus interface is described in Chapter 6 *Bus Interface Unit*.
- The external coprocessor interface is described in Chapter 7 *Coprocessor Interface*.
- The trace interface port is described in Chapter 8 *Trace Interface Port*.

Chapter 2

Programmer's Model

This chapter describes the ARM920T registers and provides details required when programming the microprocessor. It contains the following sections:

- *About the programmer's model* on page 2-2
- *About the ARM9TDMI programmer's model* on page 2-3
- *CP15 register map summary* on page 2-5.

2.1 About the programmer's model

The ARM920T processor incorporates the ARM9TDMI integer core, which implements the ARM architecture v4T. It executes the ARM and Thumb instruction sets, and includes EmbeddedICE JTAG software debug features.

The programmer's model of the ARM920T processor consists of the programmer's model of the ARM9TDMI core (see *About the ARM9TDMI programmer's model* on page 2-3) with the following additions and modifications:

- The ARM920T processor incorporates two coprocessors:
 - CP14, which allows software access to the debug communications channel. You can access the registers defined in CP14 using MCR and MRC instructions. These are described in *Debug communications channel* on page 9-64.
 - The system control coprocessor, CP15, which provides additional registers that are used to configure and control the caches, MMU, protection system, the clocking mode, and other system options of the ARM920T, such as big or little-endian operation. You can access the registers defined in CP15 using MCR and MRC instructions. These are described in *CP15 register map summary* on page 2-5.
- The ARM920T processor also features an external coprocessor interface that allows the attachment of a closely-coupled coprocessor on the same chip, for example, a floating-point unit. You can access registers and operations provided by any coprocessors attached to the external coprocessor interface using appropriate coprocessor instructions.
- Memory accesses for instruction fetches and data loads and stores can be cached or buffered. Cache and write buffer configuration and operation is described in detail in Chapter 4 *Caches, Write Buffer, and Physical Address TAG (PA TAG) RAM*.
- The MMU page tables that reside in main memory describe the virtual to physical address mapping, access permissions, and cache and write buffer configuration. These are created by the operating system software and accessed automatically by the ARM920T MMU hardware whenever an access causes a TLB miss.
- The ARM920T has a Trace Interface Port that allows the use of Trace hardware and tools for real-time tracing of instructions and data.

2.2 About the ARM9TDMI programmer's model

The ARM9TDMI processor core implements ARM architecture v4T, and executes the ARM 32-bit instruction set and the compressed Thumb 16-bit instruction set. The programmer's model is fully described in the *ARM Architecture Reference Manual*. The *ARM9TDMI Technical Reference Manual* gives implementation details, including instruction execution cycle times.

ARMv4T specifies a small number of implementation options. The options selected in the ARM9TDMI implementation are listed in Table 2-1. For comparison, the options selected for the ARM7TDMI implementation are also shown.

Table 2-1 ARM9TDMI implementation options

Processor core	Architecture	Data Abort model	Value stored by direct STR, STRT, and STM of PC
ARM7TDMI	ARMv4T	Base updated	Address of instruction + 12
ARM9TDMI	ARMv4T	Base restored	Address of instruction + 12

The ARM9TDMI is code-compatible with the ARM7TDMI, with two exceptions:

- The ARM9TDMI core implements the base restored Data Abort model. This significantly simplifies the software Data Abort handler.
- The ARM9TDMI fully implements the instruction set extension spaces added to the ARM (32-bit) instruction set in ARMv4 and ARMv4T.

These differences are explained in more detail in the following sections:

- *Data Abort model* on page 2-3
- *Instruction set extension spaces* on page 2-4.

2.2.1 Data Abort model

The base restored Data Abort model differs from the base updated Data Abort model implemented by ARM7TDMI.

The difference in the Data Abort models affects only a very small section of operating system code, the Data Abort handler. It does not affect user code. With the base restored Data Abort model, when a Data Abort exception occurs during the execution of a memory access instruction, the base register is always restored by the processor hardware to the value the register contained before the instruction was executed. This removes the requirement for the Data Abort handler to unwind any base register update that might have been specified by the aborted instruction.

2.2.2 Instruction set extension spaces

All ARM processors implement the undefined instruction space as one of the entry mechanisms for the undefined instruction exception. That is, ARM instructions with `opcode[27:25] = 0b011` and `opcode[4] = 0b1` are undefined on all ARM processors including the ARM9TDMI and ARM7TDMI.

ARMv4 and ARMv4T also introduce a number of instruction set extension spaces to the ARM instruction set. These are:

- arithmetic instruction extension space
- control instruction extension space
- coprocessor instruction extension space
- load/store instruction extension space.

Instructions in these spaces are undefined, and cause an undefined instruction exception. The ARM9TDMI core fully implements all the instruction set extension spaces defined in ARMv4T as undefined instructions, allowing emulation of future instruction set additions.

2.3 CP15 register map summary

CP15 defines 16 registers. The register map for CP15 is shown in Table 2-2.

Table 2-2 CP15 register map

Register	Read	Write
0	ID code ^a	Unpredictable
0	Cache type ^a	Unpredictable
1	Control	Control
2	Translation table base	Translation table base
3	Domain access control	Domain access control
4	Unpredictable	Unpredictable
5	Fault status ^b	Fault status ^b
6	Fault address	Fault address
7	Unpredictable	Cache operations
8	Unpredictable	TLB operations
9	Cache lockdown ^b	Cache lockdown ^b
10	TLB lockdown ^b	TLB lockdown ^b
11	Unpredictable	Unpredictable
12	Unpredictable	Unpredictable
13	FCSE PID	FCSE PID
14	Unpredictable	Unpredictable
15	Test configuration	Test configuration

- a. Register location 0 provides access to more than one register. The register accessed depends on the value of the opcode_2 field. See the register description for details.
- b. Separate registers for instruction and data. See the register description for details.

2.3.1 Addresses in ARM920T

Three distinct types of address exist in an ARM920T system:

- *Virtual Address* (VA)
- *Modified Virtual Address* (MVA)
- *Physical Address* (PA).

Below is an example of the address manipulation when the ARM9TDMI core requests an instruction (see Figure 2-10 on page 2-25).

1. The *Instruction VA* (IVA) is issued by the ARM9TDMI core.
2. This is translated by the ProcID to the *Instruction MVA* (IMVA). It is the IMVA that the *Instruction Cache* (ICache) and MMU see.
3. If the protection check carried out by the IMMU on the IMVA does not abort, and the IMVA tag is in the ICache, the instruction data is returned to the ARM9TDMI core.
4. If the ICache misses (the IMVA tag is not in the ICache), then the IMMU performs a translation to produce the *Instruction PA* (IPA). This address is given to the AMBA bus interface to perform an external access.

Table 2-3 Address types in ARM920T

Domain	ARM9TDMI	Caches and TLBs	AMBA bus
Address	Virtual (VA)	Modified Virtual (MVA)	Physical (PA)

2.3.2 Accessing CP15 registers

The terms and abbreviations shown in Table 2-4 are used throughout this section.

Table 2-4 CP15 abbreviations

Term	Abbreviation	Description
Unpredictable	UNP	For reads, the data returned when reading from this location is unpredictable. It can have any value. For writes, writing to this location causes unpredictable behavior, or an unpredictable change in device configuration.
Should be zero	SBZ	When writing to this location, all bits of this field should be 0.

In all cases, reading from, or writing any data values to any CP15 registers, including those fields specified as *unpredictable* or *should be zero*, does not cause any permanent damage.

All CP15 register bits that are defined and contain state, are set to zero by **BnRES** except the V bit in register 1, which takes the value of macrocell input **VINITHI** when **BnRES** is asserted.

You can only access CP15 registers with MRC and MCR instructions in a privileged mode. The instruction bit pattern of the MCR and MRC instructions is shown in Figure 2-1. The assembler for these instructions is:

MCR/MRC{cond} P15,opcode_1,Rd,CRn,CRm,opcode_2

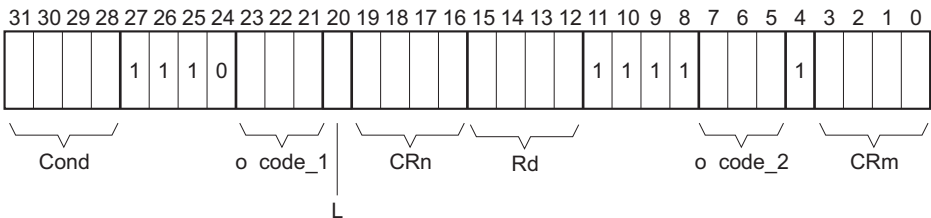


Figure 2-1 CP15 MRC and MCR bit pattern

Instructions CDP, LDC, and STC, together with 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 specify a particular action when addressing registers. The L bit distinguishes between an MRC (L=1) and an MCR (L=0).

Note

Attempting to read from a nonreadable register, or to write to a nonwritable register causes unpredictable results.

The opcode_1, opcode_2, and CRm fields should be zero, except when the values specified are used to select the desired operations, in all instructions that access CP15. Using other values results in unpredictable behavior.

2.3.3 Register 0, ID code register

This is a read-only register that returns a 32-bit device ID code.

You can access the ID code register by reading CP15 register 0 with the opcode_2 field set to any value other than 1 (the CRm field should be zero when reading). For example:

```
MRC p15,0,Rd,c0,c0,0 ; returns ID register
```

The contents of the ID code are shown in Table 2-5.

Table 2-5 Register 0, ID code

Register bits	Function	Value
31:24	Implementer	0x41
23:20	Specification revision	0x1
19:16	Architecture (ARMv4T)	0x2
15:4	Part number	0x920
3:0	Layout revision	Revision

2.3.4 Register 0, cache type register

This is a read-only register that contains information about the size and architecture of the caches, allowing operating systems to establish how to perform such operations as cache cleaning and lockdown. All ARMv4T and later cached processors contain this register, allowing RTOS vendors to produce future-proof versions of their operating systems.

You can access the cache type register by reading CP15 register 0 with the opcode_2 field set to 1. For example:

```
MRC p15,0,Rd,c0,c0,1 ; returns cache details
```

The format of the cache type register is shown in Figure 2-2.

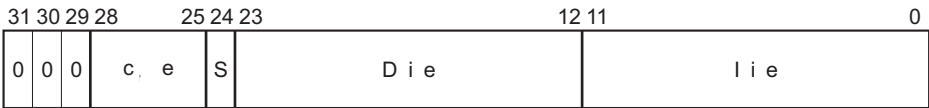


Figure 2-2 Cache type register format

- ctype** The ctype field determines the cache type.
- S bit** Specifies whether the cache is a unified cache or separate instruction and data caches.
- Dsize** Specifies the size, line length, and associativity of the data cache.
- Isize** Specifies the size, line length, and associativity of the instruction cache.

The Dsize and Isize fields in the cache type register have the same format. This is shown in Figure 2-3.

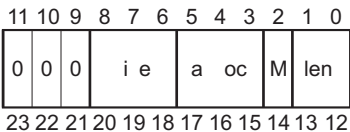


Figure 2-3 Dsize and Isize field format

- size** The size field determines the cache size in conjunction with the M bit.
- assoc** The assoc field determines the cache associativity in conjunction with the M bit.
- M bit** The multiplier bit. Determines the cache size and cache associativity values in conjunction with the size and assoc fields.
- len** The len field determines the line length of the cache.

The register values for the ARM920T cache type register are listed in Table 2-6.

Table 2-6 Cache type register format

Function		Register bits	Value
Reserved		31:29	0b000
ctype		28:25	0b0110
S		24	0b1 = Harvard cache
Dsize	Reserved	23:21	0b000
	size	20:18	0b101 = 16KB
	assoc	17:15	0b110 = 64-way
	M	14	0b0
	len	13:12	0b10 = 8 words per line (32 bytes)
Isize	Reserved	11:9	0b000
	size	8:6	0b101 = 16KB
	assoc	5:3	0b110 = 64-way
	M	2	0b0
	len	1:0	0b10 = 8 words per line (32 bytes)

Bits [28:25] indicate which major cache class the implementation falls into. 0x6 means that the cache provides:

- cache-clean-step operation
- cache-flush-step operation
- lockdown facilities.

The size of the cache is determined by the size field and the M bit. The M bit is 0 for the data and instruction caches. Bits [20:18] for the *Data Cache* (DCache) and bits [8:6] for the *Instruction Cache* (ICache) are the size field. Table 2-7 shows the cache size encoding.

Table 2-7 Cache size encoding (M=0)

size field	Cache size
0b000	512B
0b001	1KB
0b010	2KB
0b011	4KB
0b100	8KB
0b101	16KB
0b110	32KB
0b111	64KB

The associativity of the cache is determined by the assoc field and the M bit. The M bit is 0 for the data and instruction caches. Bits [17:15] for the DCache and bits [5:3] for the ICache are the assoc field. Table 2-8 shows the cache associativity encoding.

Table 2-8 Cache associativity encoding (M=0)

assoc field	Associativity
0b000	Direct mapped
0b001	2-way
0b010	4-way
0b011	8-way
0b100	16-way
0b101	32-way
0b110	64-way
0b111	128-way

The line length of the cache is determined by the len field. Bits [13:12] for the DCache and bits [1:0] for the ICache are the len field. Table 2-9 shows the line length encoding.

Table 2-9 Line length encoding

len field	Cache line length
00	2 words (8 bytes)
01	4 words (16 bytes)
10	8 words (32 bytes)
11	16 words (64 bytes)

2.3.5 Register 1, control register

This register contains the control bits of the ARM920T. All reserved bits must either be written with 0 or 1, as indicated, or written using read-modify-write. The reserved bits have an unpredictable value when read. Use the following instructions to read and write this register:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c1, c0, 0      ; read control register
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c1, c0, 0      ; write control register
```

All defined control bits are set to 0 on reset, except the V bit. The V bit is set to 0 at reset if the **VINITHI** pin is LOW, or 1 if the **VINITHI** pin is HIGH. The functions of the control bits are shown in Table 2-10.

Table 2-10 Control register 1 bit functions

Register bits	Name	Function	Value
31	iA bit	Asynchronous clock select	See Table 2-11 on page 2-14.
30	nF bit	notFastBus select	See Table 2-11 on page 2-14.
29:15	-	Reserved	Read = Unpredictable. Write = Should be zero.
14	RR bit	Round robin replacement	0 = Random replacement. 1 = Round-robin replacement.
13	V bit	Base location of exception registers	0 = Low addresses = 0x00000000. 1 = High addresses = 0xFFFF0000.

Table 2-10 Control register 1 bit functions (continued)

Register bits	Name	Function	Value
12	I bit	ICache enable	0 = ICache disabled. 1 = ICache enabled.
11:10	-	Reserved	Read = 00. Write = 00.
9	R bit	ROM protection	This bit modifies the MMU protection system. See <i>Domain access control</i> on page 3-23.
8	S bit	System protection	This bit modifies the MMU protection system. See <i>Domain access control</i> on page 3-23.
7	B bit	Endianness	0 = Little-endian operation. 1 = Big-endian operation.
6:3	-	Reserved	Read = 1111. Write = 1111.
2	C bit	DCache enable	0 = DCache disabled. 1 = DCache enabled.
1	A bit	Alignment fault enable	Data address alignment fault checking. 0 = Fault checking disabled. 1 = Fault checking enabled.
0	M bit	MMU enable	0 = MMU disabled. 1 = MMU enabled.

Register 1 bits [31:30] select the clocking mode of the ARM920T, as shown in Table 2-11.

Table 2-11 Clocking modes

Clocking mode	iA	nF
FastBus mode	0	0
Synchronous	0	1
Reserved	1	0
Asynchronous	1	1

Enabling the MMU

You must take care with the address mapping of the code sequence used to enable the MMU (see *Enabling the MMU* on page 3-29).

See *Enabling and disabling the ICache* on page 4-6 and *Enabling and disabling the DCache and write buffer* on page 4-10 for the restrictions and the effects of having caches enabled with the MMU disabled.

2.3.6 Register 2, translation table base (TTB) register

This is the *Translation Table Base* (TTB) register, for the currently active first-level translation table. The contents of register 2 are shown in Table 2-12.

Table 2-12 Register 2, translation table base

Register bits	Function
31:14	Pointer to first-level translation table base. Read/write.
13:0	Reserved: Read = Unpredictable. Write = Should be zero.

Reading from register 2 returns the pointer to the currently active first-level translation table in bits [31:14]. Writing to register 2 updates the pointer to the first-level translation table from bits [31:14] of the written value.

Bits [13:0] should be zero when written, and are unpredictable when read.

You can use the following instructions to access the TTB:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c2, c0, 0      ; read TTB register
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c2, c0, 0      ; write TTB register
```

2.3.7 Register 3, domain access control register

Register 3 is the read and write domain access control register, consisting of 16 2-bit fields. Each of these 2-bit fields defines the access permissions for the domains shown in Table 2-13.

Table 2-13 Register 3, domain access control

Register bits	Domain
31:30	D15
29:28	D14
27:26	D13
25:24	D12
23:22	D11
21:20	D10
19:18	D9
17:16	D8
15:14	D7
13:12	D6
11:10	D5
9:8	D4
7:6	D3
5:4	D2
3:2	D1
1:0	D0

The encoding of the two bit domain access permission field is given in *Domain access control* on page 3-23. You can use the following instructions to access the domain access control register:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c3, c0, 0      ; read domain 15:0 access permissions
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c3, c0, 0      ; write domain 15:0 access permissions
```

2.3.8 Register 4, reserved

You must not access (read or write) this register because it causes unpredictable behavior.

2.3.9 Register 5, fault status registers

Register 5 is the *Fault Status Register* (FSR). The FSR contains the source of the last data fault, indicating the domain and type of access being attempted when the Data Abort occurred. Table 2-14 shows bit allocations for the FSR.

Table 2-14 Fault status register

Bit	Description
31:9	UNP when read SBZ for write
8	0 when read SBZ for write
7:4	Domain being accessed when fault occurred (D15 - D0)
3:0	Fault type

The fault type encoding is shown in *Fault address and fault status registers* on page 3-22.

The data FSR is defined in ARMv4T. Additionally, a pipelined prefetch FSR is available, for debug purposes only. The pipeline matches that of the ARM9TDMI.

You can use the following instructions to access the data and prefetch FSR:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c5, c0, 0      ;read data FSR value
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c5, c0, 0      ;write data FSR value
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c5, c0, 1      ;read prefetch FSR value
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c5, c0, 1      ;write prefetch FSR value
```

The ability to write to the FSR is useful for a debugger to restore the value of the FSR. You must write to the register using the read-modify-write method. Bits[31:8] should be zero.

2.3.10 Register 6, fault address register

Register 6 is the *Fault Address Register* (FAR). This contains the MVA of the access being attempted when the last fault occurred. The FAR is only updated for data faults, not for prefetch faults. (You can find the address for a prefetch fault in R14.)

You can use the following instructions to access the FAR:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c6, c0, 0      ;read FAR data
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c6, c0, 0      ;write FAR data
```

The ability to write to the FAR is provided to allow a debugger to restore a previous state.

2.3.11 Register 7, cache operations register

Register 7 is a write-only register used to manage the ICache and DCache.

The cache operations provided by register 7 are described in Table 2-15.

Table 2-15 Function descriptions register 7

Function	Description
Invalidate cache	Invalidates all cache data, including any dirty data. ^a Use with caution.
Invalidate single entry using MVA	Invalidates a single cache line, discarding any dirty data. ^a Use with caution.
Clean D single entry using either index or MVA	Writes the specified cache line to main memory, if the line is marked valid and dirty, and marks the line as not dirty. ^a The valid bit is unchanged.
Clean and Invalidate D entry using either index or MVA	Writes the specified cache line to main memory, if the line is marked valid and dirty. ^a The line is marked not valid.
Prefetch cache line	Performs an ICache lookup of the specified MVA. If the cache misses, and the region is cachable, a linefill is performed.

a. Dirty data is data that has been modified in the cache but not yet written to main memory.

The function of each cache operation is selected by the opcode_2 and CRm fields in the MCR instruction used to write CP15 register 7. Writing other opcode_2 or CRm values is unpredictable.

Reading from CP15 register 7 is unpredictable.

Table 2-16 shows instructions that you can use to perform cache operations with register 7.

Table 2-16 Cache operations register 7

Function	Data	Instruction
Invalidate ICache and DCache	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c7,0
Invalidate ICache	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c5,0
Invalidate ICache single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c5,1
Prefetch ICache line (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c13,1
Invalidate DCache	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c6,0
Invalidate DCache single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c6,1
Clean DCache single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,1
Clean and Invalidate DCache entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c14,1
Clean DCache single entry (using index)	Index format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,2
Clean and Invalidate DCache entry (using index)	Index format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c14,2
Drain write buffer ^a	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,4
Wait for interrupt ^b	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c0,4

a. Stops execution until the write buffer has drained.

b. Stops execution in a LOW power state until an interrupt occurs.

The operations that you can carry out on a single cache line identify the line using the data passed in the MCR instruction. The data is interpreted using one of the formats shown in Figure 2-4 or Figure 2-5.

Figure 2-4 Register 7 MVA format

Figure 2-5 Register 7 index format

The use of register 7 is described in Chapter 4 *Caches, Write Buffer, and Physical Address TAG (PA TAG) RAM*.

2.3.12 Register 8, TLB operations register

Register 8 is a write-only register used to manage the *Translation Lookaside Buffers* (TLBs), the instruction TLB, and the data TLB.

Five TLB operations are defined and you can select the function to be performed with the opcode_2 and CRm fields in the MCR instruction used to write CP15 register 8. Writing other opcode_2

Table 2-17 TLB operations register 8 (continued)

Function	Data	Instruction
Invalidate I TLB single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c5,1
Invalidate D TLB	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c6,0
Invalidate D TLB single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c6,1

———— **Note** ————

These functions invalidate all the unpreserved entries in the TLB. Invalidate TLB single entry functions invalidate any TLB entry corresponding to the MVA given in Rd, regardless of its preserved state. See *Register 10, TLB lockdown register* on page 2-22.

Figure 2-6 shows the MVA format used for operations on single entry TLB lines using register 8.



Figure 2-6 Register 8 MVA format

2.3.13 Register 9, cache lockdown register

Register 9 is the cache lockdown register. The cache lockdown register is 0x0 on reset. The cache lockdown register allows software to control which cache line in the ICache or DCache respectively is loaded for a linefill and to prevent lines in the ICache or DCache from being evicted during a linefill, locking them into the cache.

There is a register for each of the ICache and DCache. The value of opcode_2 determines which cache register to access:

- opcode_2 = 0x0 accesses the DCache register
- opcode_2 = 0x1 accesses the ICache register.

The Opcode_1 and CRm fields should be zero.

Reading CP15 register 9 returns the value of the cache lockdown register, which is the base pointer for all cache segments.

Note

Only bits [31:26] are returned. Bits [25:0] are unpredictable.

Writing CP15 register 9 updates the cache lockdown register, both the base and the current victim pointer for all cache segments. Bits [25:0] should be zero.

The victim counter specifies the cache line to be used as the victim for the next linefill. This is incremented using either a random or round-robin replacement policy, determined by the state of the RR bit in register 1. The victim counter generates values in the range (base to 63). This locks lines with index values in the range (0 to base-1). If base = 0, there are no locked lines.

Writing to CP15 register 9 updates the base pointer and the current victim pointer. The next linefill uses, and then increments, the victim pointer. The victim pointer continues incrementing on linefills, and wraps around to the base pointer. For example, setting the base pointer to 0x3 prevents the victim pointer from selecting entries 0x0 to 0x2, locking them into the cache. Example 2-1 shows how you can load a cache line into ICache line 0 and lock it down.

Example 2-1 Load a cache line into ICache line 0 and lock it down

MCR to CP15 register 9, opcode_2 = 0x1, Victim=Base=0x0
 MCR I prefetch. Assuming the ICache misses, a linefill occurs to line 0.
 MCR to CP15 register 9, opcode_2 = 0x1, Victim=Base=0x1

More ICache linefills now occur into lines 1-63.

Example 2-2 shows how you can load a cache line into DCache line 0 and lock it down.

Example 2-2 Load a cache line into DCache line 0 and lock it down

MCR to CP15 register 9, opcode_2 = 0x0, Victim=Base=0x0
 Data load (LDR/LDM). Assuming the DCache misses, a linefill occurs to line 0.
 MCR to CP15 register 9, opcode_2 = 0x0, Victim=Base=0x1

More DCache linefills now occur into lines 1-63.

Note

Writing CP15 register 9, with the CRm field set to b0001, updates the current victim pointer only for the specified segment. Bits [31:26] specify the victim. Bits [7:5] specify the segment (for a 16KB cache). All other bits should be zero. This encoding is intended for debug use. You are not recommended to use this encoding.

Figure 2-7 shows the format of bits in register 9.



Figure 2-7 Register 9

Table 2-18 shows the instructions you can use to access the cache lockdown register.

Table 2-18 Accessing the cache lockdown register 9

Function	Data	Instruction
Read DCache lockdown base	Base	MRC p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,0
Write DCache victim and lockdown base	Victim=Base	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,0
Read ICache lockdown base	Base	MRC p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,1
Write ICache victim and lockdown base	Victim=Base	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,1

2.3.14 Register 10, TLB lockdown register

Register 10 is the TLB lockdown register. The TLB lockdown register is 0x0 on reset. There is a TLB lockdown register for each of the TLBs, the value of opcode_2 determines which TLB register to access:

- opcode_2 = 0x0 accesses the D TLB register
- opcode_2 = 0x1 accesses the I TLB register.

Reading CP15 register 10 returns the value of the TLB lockdown counter base register, the current victim number, and the preserve bit (P bit). Bits [19:1] are unpredictable when read.

Writing CP15 register 10 updates the TLB lockdown counter base register, the current victim pointer, and the state of the preserve bit. Bits [19:1] should be zero when written.

Table 2-19 shows the instructions you can use to access the TLB lockdown register.

Table 2-19 Accessing the TLB lockdown register 10

Function	Data	Instruction
Read D TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MRC p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,0
Write D TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MCR p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,0
Read I TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MRC p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,1
Write I TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MCR p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,1

Figure 2-8 shows the format of bits in register 10.



Figure 2-8 Register 10

The entries in the TLBs are replaced using a round-robin replacement policy. This is implemented using a victim counter that counts from entry 0 up to 63, and then wraps back round to the base value and continues counting, wrapping around to the base value from 63 each time.

There are two mechanisms available for ensuring entries are not removed from the TLB:

- Locking an entry down prevents it from being selected for overwriting during a table walk. You can do this by programming the base value to which the victim counter reloads. For example, if the bottom 3 entries (0–2) are to be locked down, you must program the base counter to 3.
- You can preserve an entry during an Invalidate All instruction. You can do this by ensuring the P bit is set when the entry is loaded into the TLB. Examples that show how you can load a single entry into the I and D TLBs at location 0, make it immune to Invalidate All, and lock it down are shown in Example 2-3 on page 2-24 and Example 2-4 on page 2-24.

Example 2-3 Load a single entry into I TLB location 0, make it immune to Invalidate All and lock it down

MCR to CP15 register 10, opcode_2 = 0x1, Base Value = 0,
Current Victim = 0, P = 1
MCR I prefetch. Assuming an I TLB miss occurs, then entry 0 is loaded.
MCR to CP15 register 10, opcode_2 = 0x1, Base Value = 1, Current Victim = 1, P = 0

Example 2-4 Load a single entry into D TLB location 0, make it immune to Invalidate All and lock it down

MCR to CP15 register 10, opcode_2 = 0x0, Base Value = 0,
Current Victim = 0, P = 1
Data load (LDR/LDM) or store (STR/STM). Assuming a D TLB miss occurs, then entry 0 is loaded.
MCR to CP15 register 10, opcode_2 = 0x0, Base Value = 1, Current Victim = 1, P = 0

2.3.15 Registers 11, 12, and 14, reserved

Accessing (reading or writing) any of these registers causes unpredictable behavior.

2.3.16 Register 13, FCSE PID register

Register 13 is the *Fast Context Switch Extension (FCSE) Process Identifier (PID)* register. The FCSE PID register is 0x0 on reset.

Reading from CP15 register 13 returns the value of the FCSE PID. Writing CP15 register 13 updates the FCSE PID to the value in bits [31:25]. Bits [24:0] should be zero.

Register 13 bit assignments are shown in Figure 2-9.



Figure 2-9 Register 13

You can access register 13 using the following instructions:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c13, c0, 0      ;read FCSE PID
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c13, c0, 0      ;write FCSE PID
```

Using the FCSE process identifier (FCSE PID)

Addresses issued by the ARM9TDMI core in the range 0 to 32MB are translated by CP15 register 13, the FCSE PID register. Address A becomes $A + (\text{FCSE_PID} \times 32\text{MB})$. It is this translated address that is seen by both the caches and MMU. See *Processor functional block diagram* on page 1-3. Addresses above 32MB undergo no translation. This is shown in Figure 2-10 on page 2-25.

The FCSE_PID is a 7-bit field, enabling 128 x 32MB processes to be mapped.

Note

If FCSE_PID is zero, as it is on reset, then there is a flat mapping between the ARM9TDMI and the caches and MMU.

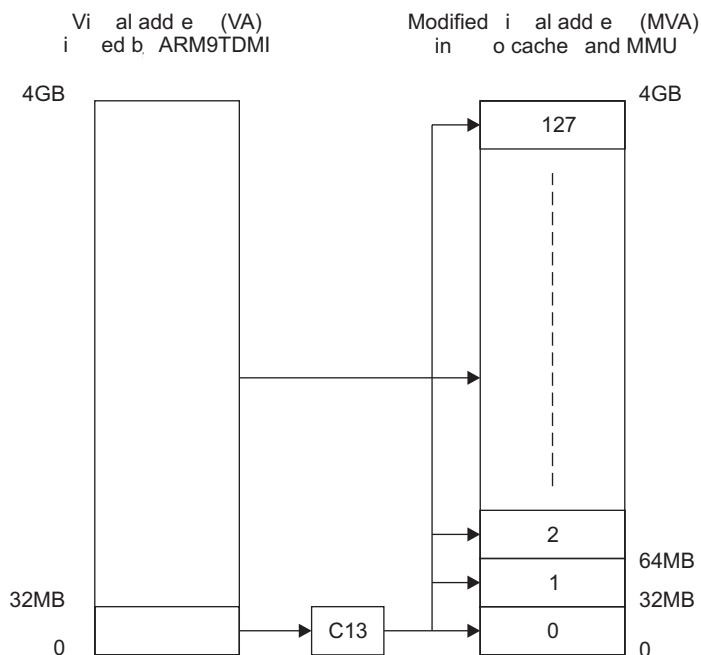


Figure 2-10 Address mapping using CP15 Register 13

Changing the FCSE PID, performing a fast context switch

To do a fast context switch, write to CP15 register 13. The contents of the caches and TLBs do not have to be flushed after a fast context switch because they still hold valid address tags. The two instructions after the MCR to write the FCSE_PID are fetched with the old FCSE_PID value:

```
{FCSE_PID = 0}
MOV r0, #1:SHL:25          ; Fetched with FCSE_PID = 0
MCR p15,0,r0,c13,c0,0      ; Fetched with FCSE_PID = 0
A1                          ; Fetched with FCSE_PID = 0
A2                          ; Fetched with FCSE_PID = 0
A3                          ; Fetched with FCSE_PID = 1
```

2.3.17 Register 15, test configuration register

Register 15 is used for test purposes. Accessing (reading or writing) this register causes the ARM920T to have unpredictable behavior.

Chapter 3

Memory Management Unit

This chapter describes the *Memory Management Unit* (MMU). It contains the following sections:

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- *MMU faults and CPU aborts* on page 3-21
- *Fault address and fault status registers* on page 3-22
- *Domain access control* on page 3-23
- *Fault checking sequence* on page 3-25
- *External aborts* on page 3-28
- *Interaction of the MMU and caches* on page 3-29.

3.1 About the MMU

ARM920T processor implements an enhanced ARM architecture v4 MMU to provide translation and access permission checks for the instruction and data address ports of the ARM9TDMI core. The MMU is controlled from a single set of two-level page tables stored in main memory, that are enabled by the M bit in CP15 register 1, providing a single address translation and protection scheme. You can independently lock and flush the instruction and data TLBs in the MMU.

The MMU features are:

- standard ARMv4 MMU mapping sizes, domains, and access protection scheme
- mapping sizes are 1MB (sections), 64KB (large pages), 4KB (small pages), and 1KB (tiny pages)
- access permissions for sections
- access permissions for large pages and small pages can be specified separately for each quarter of the page (these quarters are called subpages)
- 16 domains implemented in hardware
- 64 entry instruction TLB and 64 entry data TLB
- hardware page table walks
- round-robin replacement algorithm (also called cyclic)
- invalidate whole TLB, using CP15 register 8
- invalidate TLB entry, selected by MVA, using CP15 register 8
- independent lockdown of instruction TLB and data TLB, using CP15 register 10.

3.1.1 Access permissions and domains

For large and small pages, access permissions are defined for each subpage (1KB for small pages, 16KB for large pages). Sections and tiny pages have a single set of access permissions.

All regions of memory have an associated domain. A domain is the primary access control mechanism for a region of memory. It defines the conditions necessary for an access to proceed. The domain determines if:

- the access permissions are used to qualify the access
- the access is unconditionally allowed to proceed
- the access is unconditionally aborted.

In the latter two cases, the access permission attributes are ignored.

There are 16 domains. These are configured using the domain access control register.

3.1.2 Translated entries

Each TLB caches 64 translated entries. During CPU memory accesses, the TLB provides the protection information to the access control logic.

If the TLB contains a translated entry for the MVA, the access control logic determines if access is permitted:

- if access is permitted and an off-chip access is required, the MMU outputs the appropriate physical address corresponding to the MVA
- if access is permitted and an off-chip access is not required, the cache services the access
- if access is not permitted, the MMU signals the CPU core to abort.

If a TLB misses (it does not contain an entry for the VA) the translation table walk hardware is invoked to retrieve the translation information from a translation table in physical memory. When retrieved, the translation information is written into the TLB, possibly overwriting an existing value.

The entry to be written is chosen by cycling sequentially through the TLB locations. To enable use of TLB locking features, you can specify the location to write using CP15 register 10, TLB lockdown.

When the MMU is turned off, as happens on reset, no address mapping occurs and all regions are marked as noncachable and nonbufferable. See *About the caches and write buffer* on page 4-2.

3.2 MMU program accessible registers

Table 3-1 lists the CP15 registers that are used in conjunction with page table descriptors stored in memory to determine the operation of the MMU.

Table 3-1 CP15 register functions

Register	Number	Bits	Register description
Control register	1	M, A, S, R	Contains bits to enable the MMU (M bit), enable data address alignment checks (A bit), and to control the access protection scheme (S bit and R bit).
Translation table base register	2	31:14	Holds the physical address of the base of the translation table maintained in main memory. This base address must be on a 16KB boundary and is common to both TLBs.
Domain access control register	3	31:0	Comprises 16 2-bit fields. Each field defines the access control attributes for one of 16 domains (D15–D0).
Fault status register	5 (I and D)	7:0	Indicates the cause of a Data or Prefetch Abort, and the domain number of the aborted access, when an abort occurs. Bits 7:4 specify which of the 16 domains (D15–D0) was being accessed when a fault occurred. Bits 3:0 indicate the type of access being attempted. The value of all other bits is unpredictable. The encoding of these bits is shown in Table 3-9 on page 3-22.
Fault address register	6 (D)	31:0	Holds the MVA associated with the access that caused the Data Abort. See Table 3-9 on page 3-22 for details of the address stored for each type of fault. You can use ARM9TDMI register 14 to determine the MVA associated with a Prefetch Abort.
TLB operations register	8	31:0	You can write to this register to make the MMU perform TLB maintenance operations. These are either invalidating all the (unpreserved) entries in the TLB, or invalidating a specific entry.
TLB lockdown register	10 (I and D)	31:20 and 0	Allows specific page table entries to be locked into the TLB and the TLB victim index to be read or written: <ul style="list-style-type: none">opcode 2 = 0x0 accesses the D TLB lockdown registeropcode 2 = 0x1 accesses the I TLB lockdown register. Locking entries in the TLB guarantees that accesses to the locked page or section can proceed without incurring the time penalty of a TLB miss. This allows the execution latency for time-critical pieces of code such as interrupt handlers to be minimized.

All the CP15 MMU registers, except register 8, contain state. You can read them using MRC instructions, and write them using MCR instructions. Registers 5 and 6 are also written by the MMU during a Data Abort. Writing to Register 8 causes the MMU to perform a TLB operation, to manipulate TLB entries. This register cannot be read. The *Instruction TLB* (I TLB) and *Data TLB* (D TLB) both have a copy of register 10. The opcode_2 field in the CP15 instruction is used to determine the one accessed.

CP15 is described in Chapter 2 *Programmer's Model*, with details of register formats and the coprocessor instructions you can use to access them.

3.3 Address translation

The MMU translates VAs generated by the CPU core, and by CP15 register 13, into physical addresses to access external memory. It also derives and checks the access permission, using a TLB.

The MMU table walking hardware is used to add entries to the TLB. The translation information, that comprises both the address translation data and the access permission data, resides in a translation table located in physical memory. The MMU provides the logic for you to traverse this translation table and load entries into the TLB.

There are one or two stages in the hardware table walking, and permission checking, process. The number of stages depends on whether the address is marked as a section-mapped access or a page-mapped access.

There are three sizes of page-mapped accesses and one size of section-mapped access. The page-mapped accesses are for:

- large pages
- small pages
- tiny pages.

The translation process always starts out in the same way, with a level one fetch. A section-mapped access requires only a level one fetch, but a page-mapped access requires a subsequent level two fetch.

3.3.1 Translation table base

The hardware translation process is initiated when the TLB does not contain a translation for the requested MVA. The *Translation Table Base* (TTB) register points to the base address of a table in physical memory that contains section or page descriptors, or both. The 14 low-order bits of the TTB register are set to zero on a read, and the table must reside on a 16KB boundary. Figure 3-1 shows the format of the TTB register.

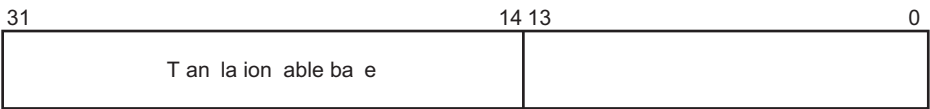


Figure 3-1 Translation table base register

The translation table has up to 4096 x 32-bit entries, each describing 1MB of virtual memory. This allows up to 4GB of virtual memory to be addressed. Figure 3-2 on page 3-7 shows the table walk process.

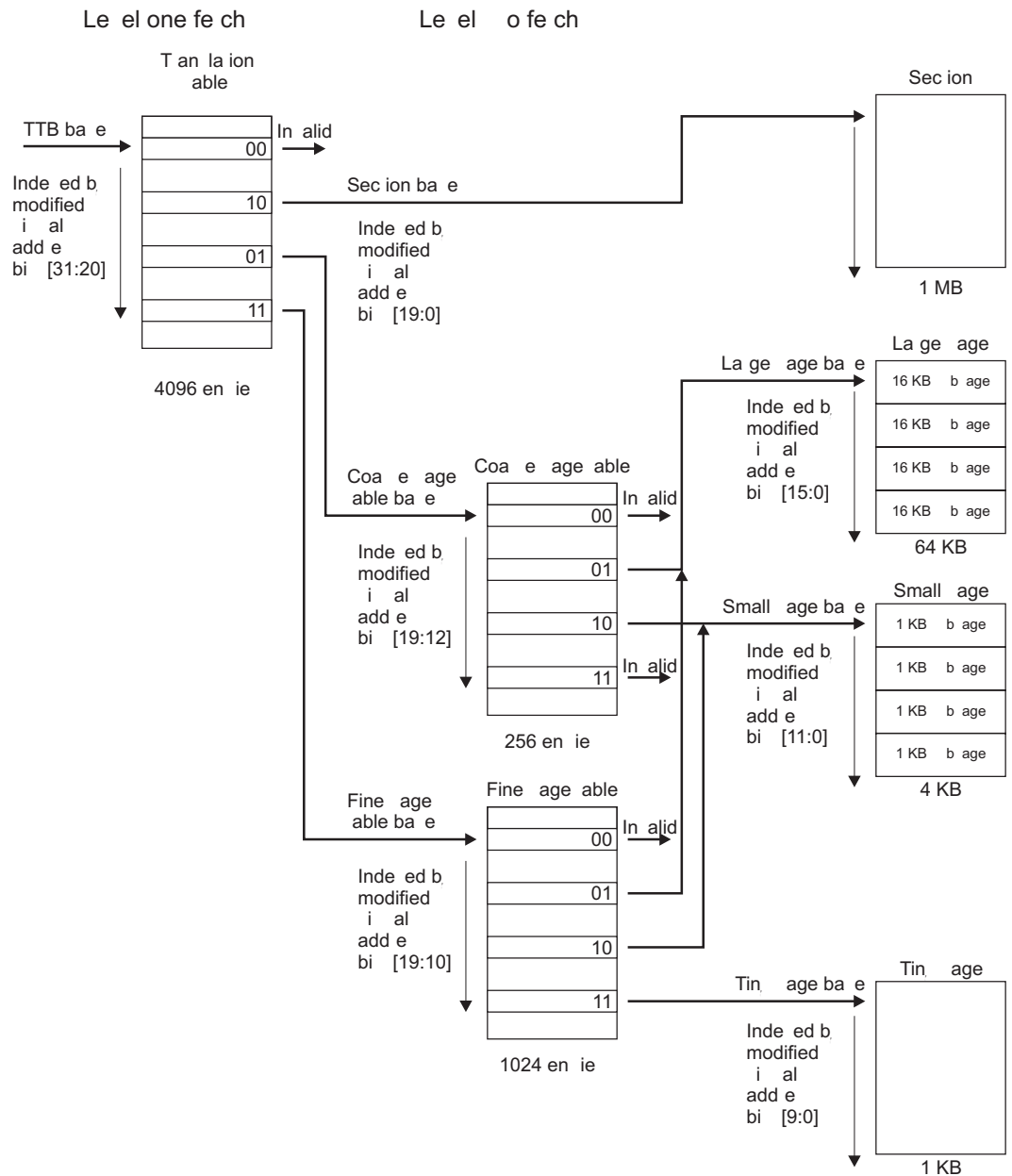


Figure 3-2 Translating page tables

3.3.2 Level one fetch

Bits [31:14] of the TTB register are concatenated with bits [31:20] of the MVA to produce a 30-bit address as shown in Figure 3-3.

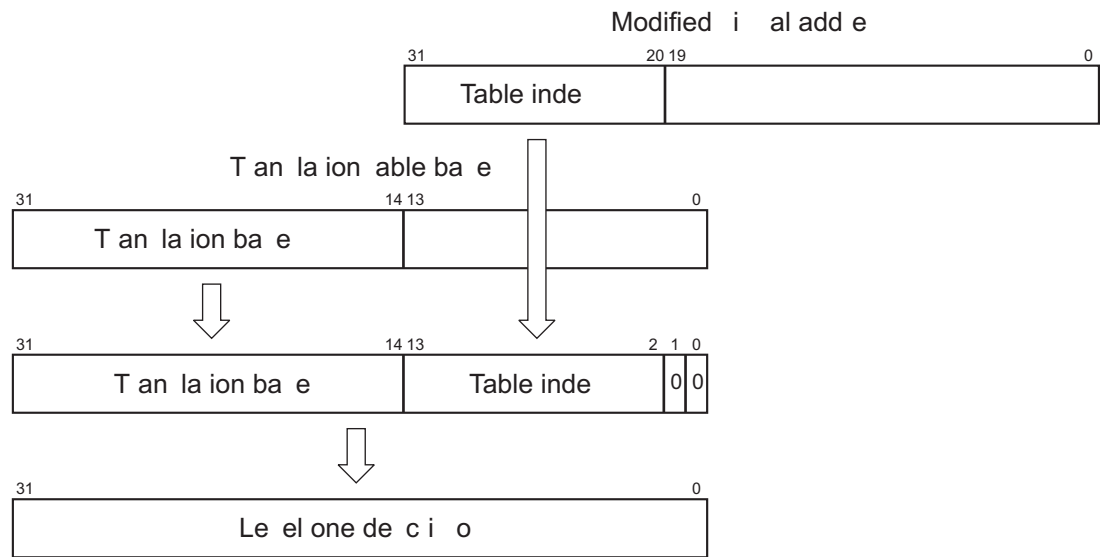
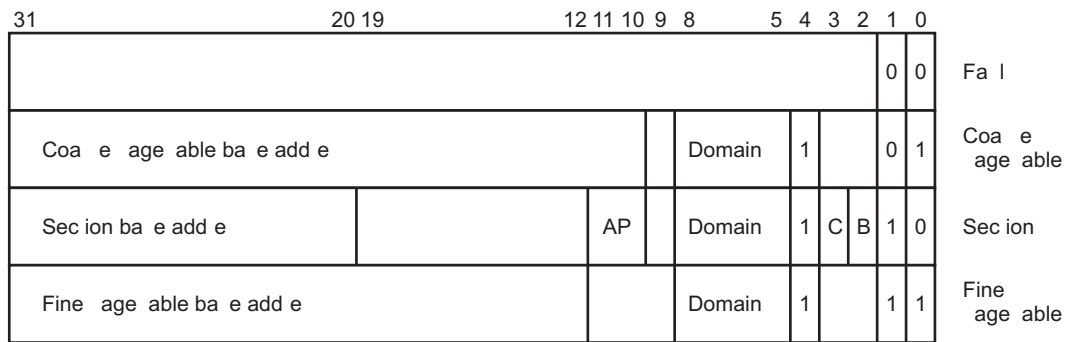


Figure 3-3 Accessing translation table level one descriptors

This address selects a 4-byte translation table entry. This is a level one descriptor for either a section or a page table.

3.3.3 Level one descriptor

The level one descriptor returned is either a section descriptor, a coarse page table descriptor, or a fine page table descriptor, or is invalid. Figure 3-4 on page 3-9 shows the format of a level one descriptor.

**Figure 3-4 Level one descriptor**

A section descriptor provides the base address of a 1MB block of memory.

The page table descriptors provide the base address of a page table that contains level two descriptors. There are two sizes of page table:

- coarse page tables have 256 entries, splitting the 1MB that the table describes into 4KB blocks
- fine page tables have 1024 entries, splitting the 1MB that the table describes into 1KB blocks.

Level one descriptor bit assignments are shown in Table 3-2.

Table 3-2 Level one descriptor bits

Bits			Description
Section	Coarse	Fine	
31:20	31:10	31:12	These bits form the corresponding bits of the physical address
19:12	-	-	Should be zero
11:10	-	-	Access permission bits. <i>Domain access control</i> on page 3-23 and <i>Fault checking sequence</i> on page 3-25 show how to interpret the access permission bits
9	9	11:9	Should be zero
8:5	8:5	8:5	Domain control bits

Table 3-2 Level one descriptor bits (continued)

Bits			Description
Section	Coarse	Fine	
4	4	4	Must be 1
3:2	-	-	These bits, C and B, indicate whether the area of memory mapped by this page is treated as write-back cachable, write-through cachable, noncached buffered, or noncached nonbuffered
-	3:2	3:2	Should be zero
1:0	1:0	1:0	These bits indicate the page size and validity and are interpreted as shown in Table 3-3

The two least significant bits of the level one descriptor indicate the descriptor type as shown in Table 3-3.

Table 3-3 Interpreting level one descriptor bits [1:0]

Value	Meaning	Description
0 0	Invalid	Generates a section translation fault
0 1	Coarse page table	Indicates that this is a coarse page table descriptor
1 0	Section	Indicates that this is a section descriptor
1 1	Fine page table	Indicates that this is a fine page table descriptor

3.3.4 Section descriptor

A section descriptor provides the base address of a 1MB block of memory. Figure 3-5 shows the format of a section descriptor.

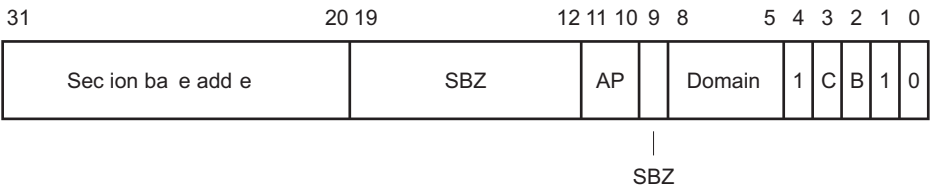


Figure 3-5 Section descriptor

Section descriptor bit assignments are described in Table 3-4.

Table 3-4 Section descriptor bits

Bits	Description
31:20	Form the corresponding bits of the physical address for a section
19:12	Always written as 0
11:10	(AP) Specify the access permissions for this section
9	Always written as 0
8:5	Specify one of the 16 possible domains (held in the domain access control register) that contain the primary access controls
4	Should be written as 1, for backward compatibility
3:2	These bits (C and B) indicate whether the area of memory mapped by this section is treated as write-back cachable, write-through cachable, noncached buffered, or noncached nonbuffered
1:0	These bits must be 10 to indicate a section descriptor

3.3.5 Coarse page table descriptor

A coarse page table descriptor provides the base address of a page table that contains level two descriptors for either large page or small page accesses. Coarse page tables have 256 entries, splitting the 1MB that the table describes into 4KB blocks. Figure 3-6 shows the format of a coarse page table descriptor.

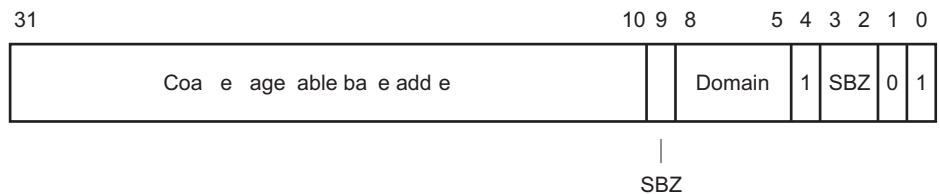


Figure 3-6 Coarse page table descriptor

Note

If a coarse page table descriptor is returned from the level one fetch, a level two fetch is initiated.

Coarse page table descriptor bit assignments are described in Table 3-5.

Table 3-5 Coarse page table descriptor bits

Bits	Description
31:10	These bits form the base for referencing the level two descriptor (the coarse page table index for the entry is derived from the MVA)
9	Always written as 0
8:5	These bits specify one of the 16 possible domains (held in the domain access control registers) that contain the primary access controls
4	Always written as 1
3:2	Always written as 0
1:0	These bits must be 01 to indicate a coarse page table descriptor

3.3.6 Fine page table descriptor

A fine page table descriptor provides the base address of a page table that contains level two descriptors for large page, small page, or tiny page accesses. Fine page tables have 1024 entries, splitting the 1MB that the table describes into 1KB blocks. Figure 3-7 shows the format of a fine page table descriptor.

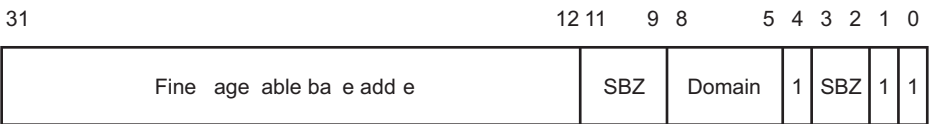


Figure 3-7 Fine page table descriptor

Note

If a fine page table descriptor is returned from the level one fetch, a level two fetch is initiated.

Fine page table descriptor bit assignments are described in Table 3-6.

3.3.7 Translating section references

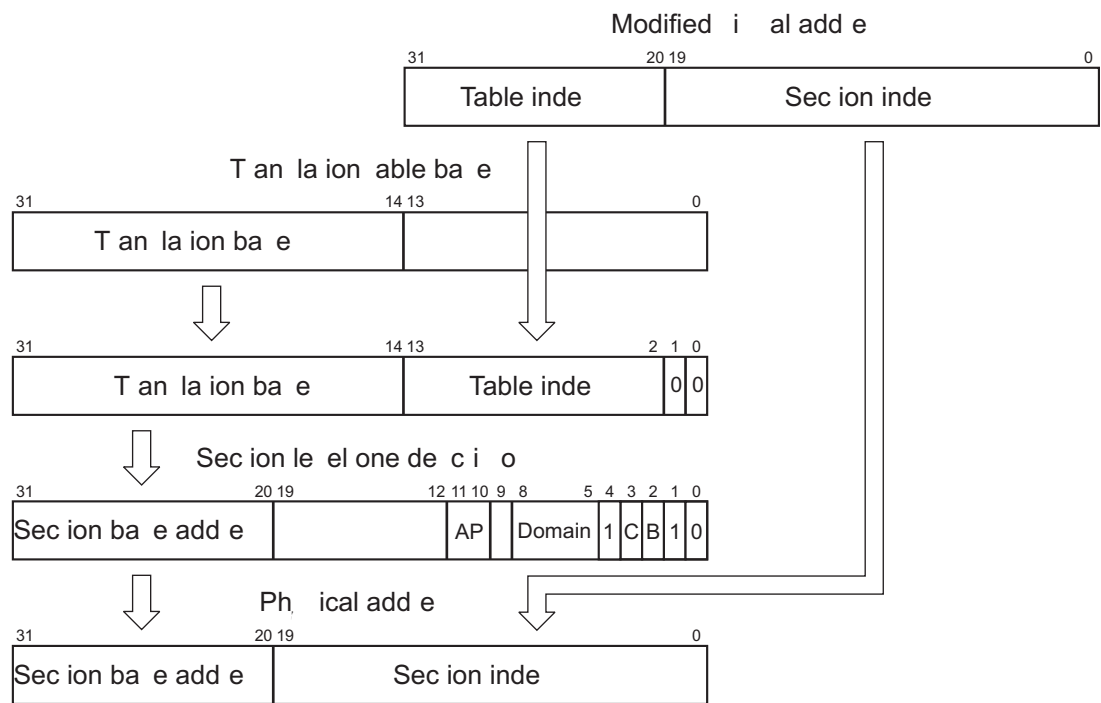


Figure 3-8 Section translation

Note

You must check access permissions contained in the level one descriptor before generating the physical address.

3.3.8 Level two descriptor

If the level one fetch returns either a coarse page table descriptor or a fine page table descriptor, this provides the base address of the page table to be used. The page table is then accessed and a level two descriptor is returned. Figure 3-9 on page 3-15 shows the format of level two descriptors.

Fine page tables provide base addresses for large, small, or tiny pages. Large page descriptors must be repeated in 64 consecutive entries. Small page descriptors must be repeated in four consecutive entries and tiny page descriptors must be repeated in each consecutive entry.

Level two descriptor bit assignments are described in Table 3-7.

Table 3-7 Level two descriptor bits

Bits			Description
Large	Small	Tiny	
31:16	31:12	31:10	These bits form the corresponding bits of the physical address
15:12	-	9:6	Should be zero
11:4	11:4	5:4	Access permission bits. <i>Domain access control</i> on page 3-23 and <i>Fault checking sequence</i> on page 3-25 show how to interpret the access permission bits
3:2	3:2	3:2	These bits, C and B, indicate whether the area of memory mapped by this page is treated as write-back cachable, write-through cachable, noncached buffered, or noncached nonbuffered
1:0	1:0	1:0	These bits indicate the page size and validity and are interpreted as shown in Table 3-8

The two least significant bits of the level two descriptor indicate the descriptor type as shown in Table 3-8.

Table 3-8 Interpreting page table entry bits [1:0]

Value	Meaning	Description
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	Tiny page	Indicates that this is a 1KB page

———— **Note** ————

Tiny pages do not support subpage permissions and therefore only have one set of access permission bits.

3.3.9 Translating large page references

Figure 3-10 shows the complete translation sequence for a 64KB large page.

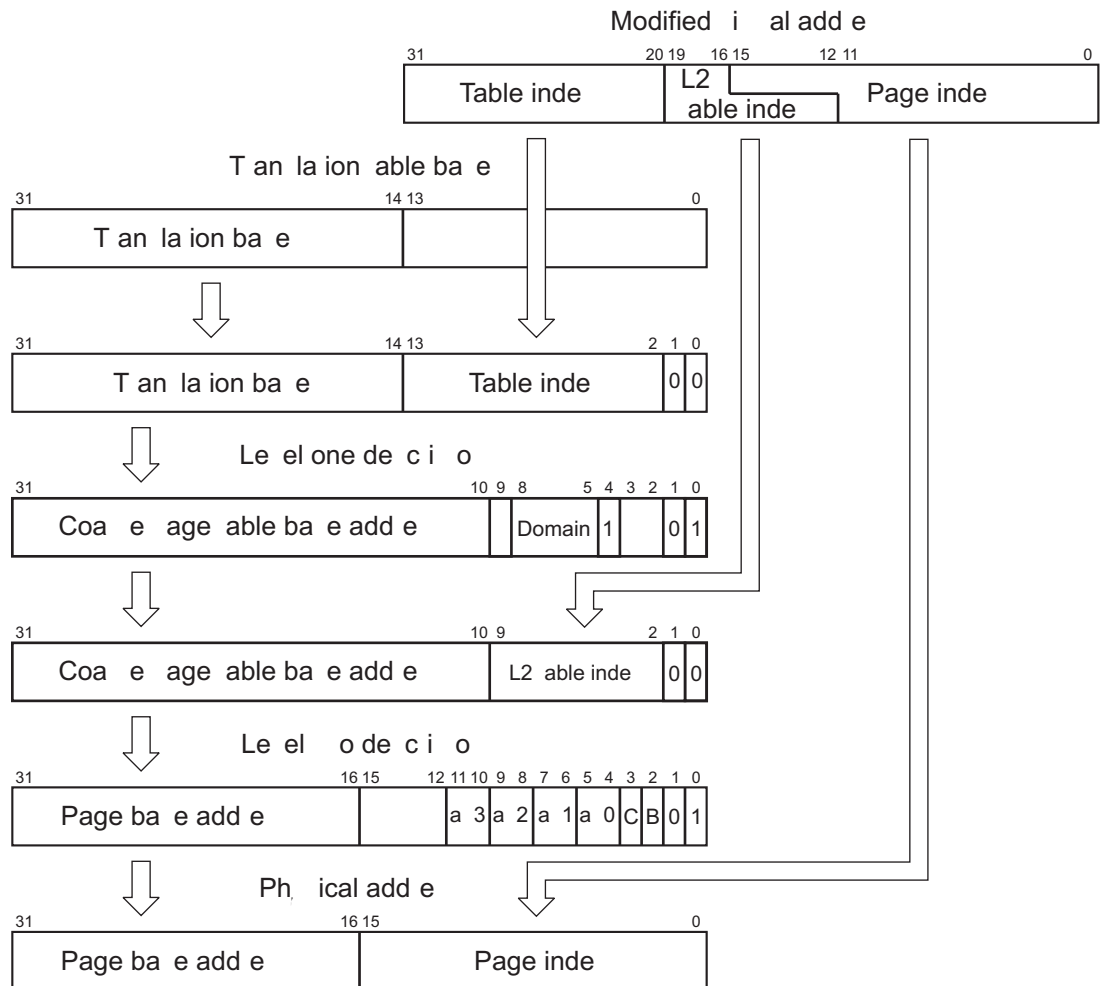


Figure 3-10 Large page translation from a coarse page table

Because the upper four bits of the page index and low-order four bits of the coarse page table index overlap, each coarse page table entry for a large page must be duplicated 16 times (in consecutive memory locations) in the coarse page table.

If a large page descriptor is included in a fine page table, the high-order six bits of the page index and low-order six bits of the fine page table index overlap. Each fine page table entry for a large page must therefore be duplicated 64 times.

3.3.10 Translating small page references

Figure 3-11 shows the complete translation sequence for a 4KB small page.

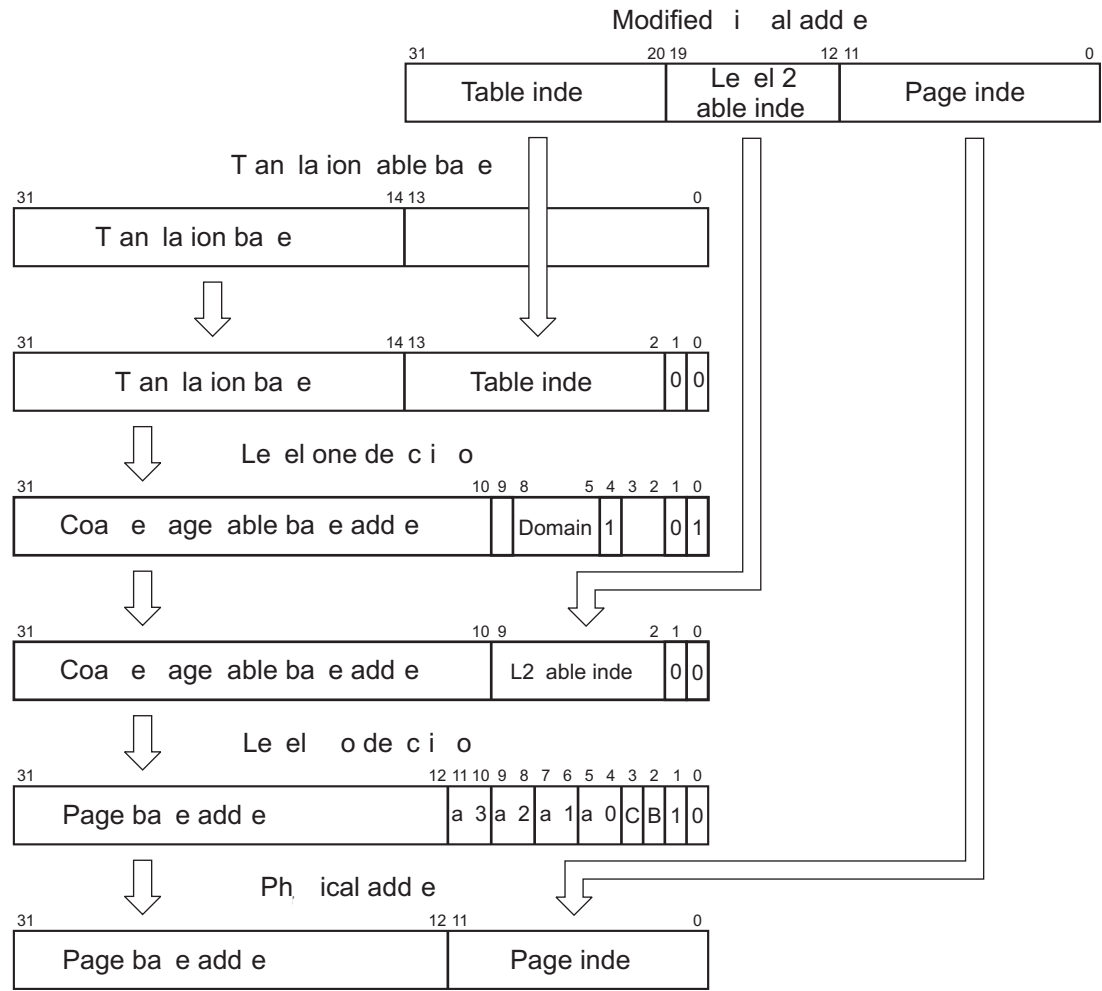


Figure 3-11 Small page translation from a coarse page table

If a small page descriptor is included in a fine page table, the upper two bits of the page index and low-order two bits of the fine page table index overlap. Each fine page table entry for a small page must therefore be duplicated four times.

3.3.11 Translating tiny page references

Figure 3-12 shows the complete translation sequence for a 1KB tiny page.

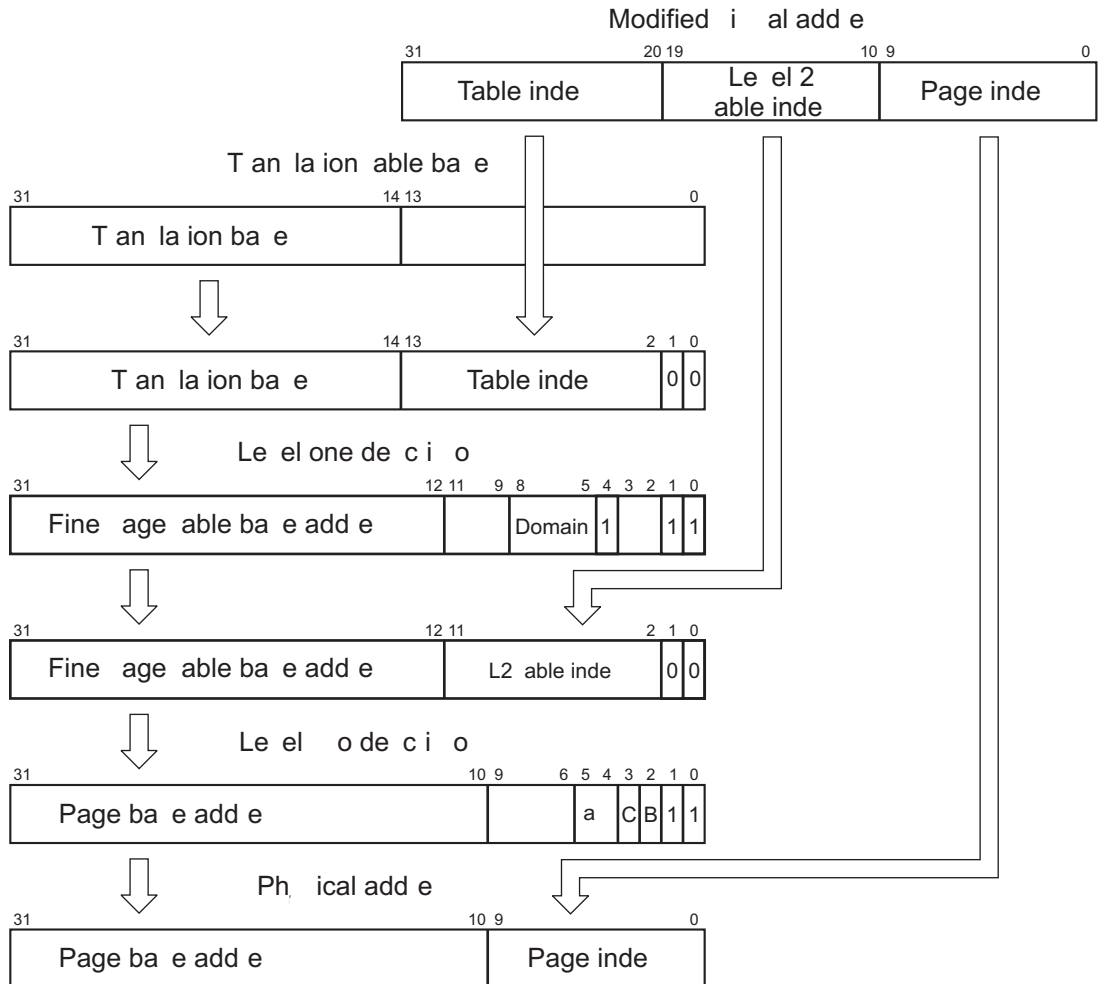


Figure 3-12 Tiny page translation from a fine page table

Page translation involves one additional step beyond that of a section translation. The level one descriptor is the fine page table descriptor and this is used to point to the level one descriptor.

Note

The domain specified in the level one description and access permissions specified in the level one description together determine whether the access has permissions to proceed. See section *Domain access control* on page 3-23 for details.

3.3.12 Subpages

You can define access permissions for subpages of small and large pages. If, during a page walk, a small or large page has a non-identical subpage permission, only the subpage being accessed is written into the TLB. For example, a 16KB (large page) subpage entry is written into the TLB if the subpage permission differs, and a 64KB entry is put in the TLB if the subpage permissions are identical.

When you use subpage permissions, and the page entry then has to be invalidated, you must invalidate all four subpages separately.

3.4 MMU faults and CPU aborts

3.5 Fault address and fault status registers

On a Data Abort, the MMU places an encoded 4-bit value, FS[3:0], along with the 4-bit encoded domain number, in the data FSR. Similarly, on a Prefetch Abort, in the prefetch FSR, intended for debug purposes only. In addition, the MVA associated with the Data Abort is latched into the FAR. If an access violation simultaneously generates more than one source of abort, they are encoded in the priority given in Table 3-9. The FAR is not updated by faults caused by instruction prefetches.

3.5.1 Fault status

Table 3-9 describes the various access permissions and controls supported by the data MMU and details how these are interpreted to generate faults.

Table 3-9 Priority encoding of fault status

Priority	Source	Size	Status	Domain	FAR
Highest	Alignment	-	b00x1	Invalid	MVA of access causing abort
	Translation	Section	b0101	Invalid	MVA of access causing abort
		Page	b0111	Valid	
	Domain	Section	b1001	Valid	MVA of access causing abort
		Page	b1011	Valid	
Lowest	Permission	Section	b1101	Valid	MVA of access causing abort
		Page	b1111	Valid	
	External abort on noncachable nonbufferable access or noncachable bufferable read	Section	b1000	Valid	MVA of access causing abort
		Page	b1010	Valid	

Note

For data FSR only, alignment faults can write either b0001 or b0011 into FS[3:0]. Invalid values in domains 3:0 can occur because the fault is raised before a valid domain field has been read from a page table descriptor. Any abort masked by the priority encoding can be regenerated by fixing the primary abort and restarting the instruction.

For instruction FSR only, the same priority applies as for the data FSR, except that alignment faults cannot occur, and external aborts apply only to noncachable reads.

3.6 Domain access control

MMU accesses are primarily controlled through the use of domains. There are 16 domains and each has a 2-bit field to define access to it. Two types of user are supported, clients and managers. The domains are defined in the domain access control register. Figure 3-13 shows how the 32 bits of the register are allocated to define the 16 2-bit domains.

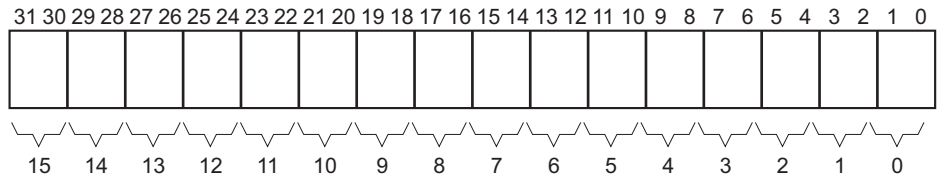


Figure 3-13 Domain access control register format

Table 3-10 defines how the bits within each domain are interpreted to specify the access permissions.

Table 3-10 Interpreting access control bits in domain access control register

Value	Meaning	Description
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 3-11 shows how to interpret the *Access Permission* (AP) bits and how their interpretation is dependent on the S and R bits (control register bits 8 and 9).

Table 3-11 Interpreting access permission (AP) bits

AP	S	R	Supervisor permissions	User permissions	Description
00	0	0	No access	No access	Any access generates a permission fault
00	1	0	Read-only	No access	Only Supervisor read permitted
00	0	1	Read-only	Read-only	Any write generates a permission fault
00	1	1	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	-	-

3.7 Fault checking sequence

The sequence the MMU uses to check for access faults is different for sections and pages. The sequence for both types of access is shown in Figure 3-14.

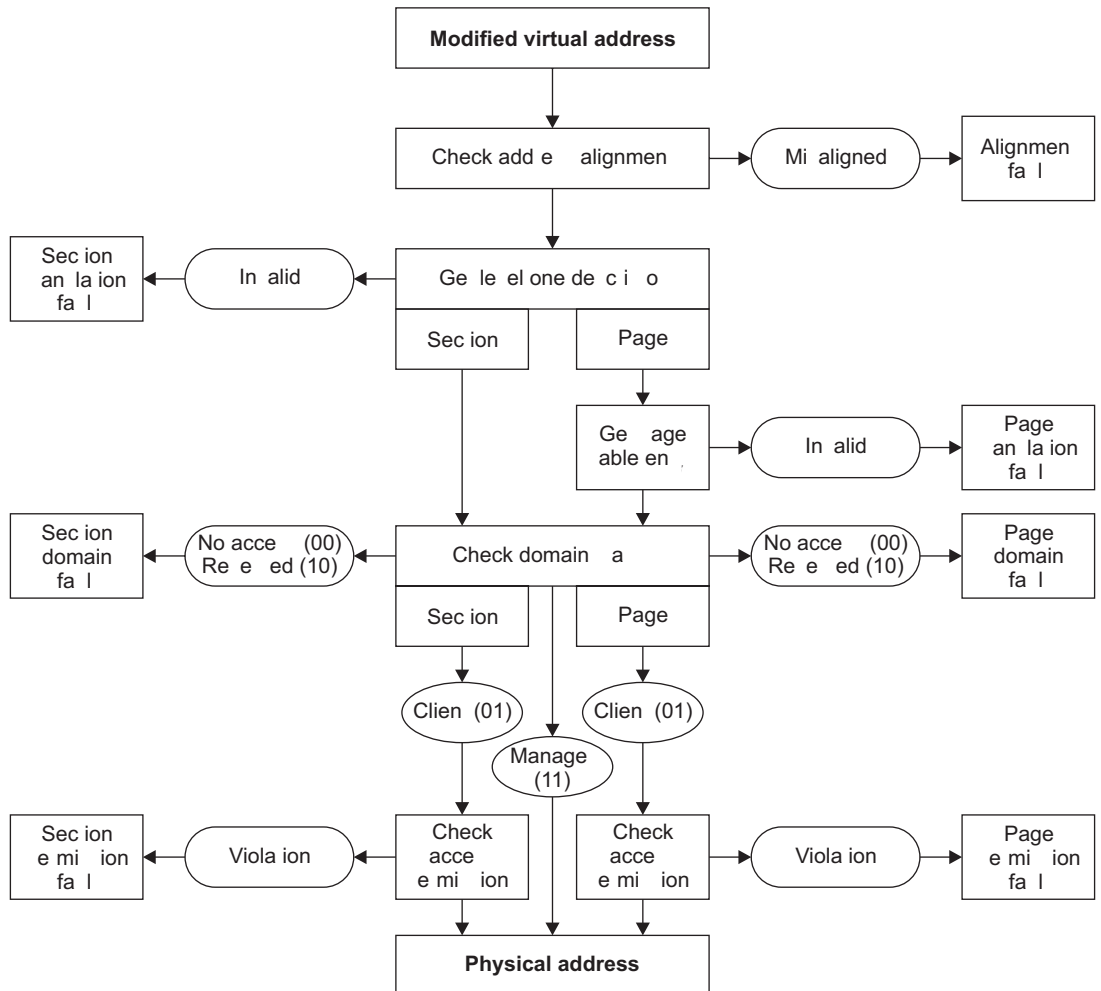


Figure 3-14 Sequence for checking faults

The conditions that generate each of the faults are described in:

- *Alignment fault* on page 3-26
- *Translation fault* on page 3-26
- *Domain fault* on page 3-26
- *Permission fault* on page 3-27.

3.7.1 Alignment fault

If alignment fault is enabled (A bit in CP15 register 1 set), the MMU generates an alignment fault on any data word access, if the address is not word-aligned, or on any halfword access, if the address is not halfword-aligned, irrespective of whether the MMU is enabled or not. 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 aborts without reference to more permission checks.

3.7.2 Translation fault

There are two types of translation fault:

- | | |
|----------------|---|
| Section | A section translation fault is generated if the level one descriptor is marked as invalid. This happens if bits [1:0] of the descriptor are both 0. |
| Page | A page translation fault is generated if the level one descriptor is marked as invalid. This happens if bits [1:0] of the descriptor are both 0. |

3.7.3 Domain fault

There are two types of domain fault:

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| Section | The level one 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 described in Table 3-11 on page 3-24. The domain is checked when the level one descriptor is returned. |
| Page | The level one 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 described in Table 3-11 on page 3-24. The domain is checked when the level one descriptor is returned. |

If the specified access is either no access (00) or reserved (10) then either a section domain fault or page domain fault occurs.

3.7.4 Permission fault

If the 2-bit domain field returns 01 (client) then access permissions are checked as follows:

Section If the level one descriptor defines a section-mapped access, the AP bits of the descriptor define whether or not the access is allowed, according to Table 3-11 on page 3-24. Their interpretation is dependent on the setting of the S and R bits (control register bits 8 and 9). If the access is not allowed, a section permission fault is generated.

Large page or small page

If the level one descriptor defines a page-mapped access and the level two descriptor is for a large or small page, four access permission fields (ap3-ap0) are specified, each corresponding to one quarter of the page. For small pages ap3 is selected by the top 1KB of the page and ap0 is selected by the bottom 1KB of the page. For large pages, ap3 is selected by the top 16KB of the page and 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 3-11 on page 3-24). The only difference is that the fault generated is a page permission fault.

Tiny page If the level one descriptor defines a page-mapped access and the level two descriptor is for a tiny page, the AP bits of the level one descriptor define whether or not the access is allowed in the same way as for a section. The fault generated is a page permission fault.

3.8 External aborts

In addition to the MMU-generated aborts, the ARM920T can be externally aborted by the AMBA bus. This can be used to flag an error on an external memory access. However, not all accesses can be aborted in this way and the *Bus Interface Unit* (BIU) ignores external aborts that cannot be handled.

The following accesses can be aborted:

- noncached reads
- unbuffered writes
- read-lock-write sequence, to noncachable memory.

In the case of a read-lock-write (SWP) sequence, if the read aborts the write is always attempted.

3.9 Interaction of the MMU and caches

The MMU is enabled and disabled using bit 0 of the CP15 control register as described in:

- *Enabling the MMU* on page 3-29
- *Disabling the MMU* on page 3-29.

3.9.1 Enabling the MMU

To enable the MMU:

1. Program the TTB 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.

You must take care if the translated address differs from the untranslated address because several instructions following the enabling of the MMU might have been prefetched with the MMU off (using physical = VA - flat translation).

In this case, enabling the MMU can be considered as a branch with delayed execution. A similar situation occurs when the MMU is disabled. Consider the following code sequence:

```
MRC p15,0,R1,C1,C0,0      ; Read control register
ORR R1, #0x1
MCR p15,0,R1,C1,C0,0      ; Enable MMUS
Fetch Flat
Fetch Flat
Fetch Translated
```

You can enable the ICache and DCache simultaneously with the MMU using a single MCR instruction.

3.9.2 Disabling the MMU

To disable the MMU, clear bit 0 in the control register. The data cache must be disabled prior to, or at the same time as, the MMU is disabled by clearing bit 2 of the control register. See *Enabling the MMU* regarding prefetch effects.

———— Note ————

If the MMU is enabled, then disabled and subsequently re-enabled, the contents of the TLBs are preserved. If these are now invalid, you must invalidate the TLBs before re-enabling the MMU. See *Register 8, TLB operations register* on page 2-19.

Chapter 4

Caches, Write Buffer, and Physical Address TAG (PA TAG) RAM

This chapter describes the *Instruction Cache* (ICache), *Data Cache* (DCache), write buffer, and *Physical Address* (PA) TAG RAM. It contains the following sections:

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- *Cache cleaning when lockdown is in use* on page 4-20
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4.1 About the caches and write buffer

The ARM920T level-one memory system includes an *Instruction Cache* (ICache), a *Data Cache* (DCache), a write buffer, and a *Physical Address* (PA) TAG RAM to reduce the effect of main memory bandwidth and latency on performance.

The ARM920T processor implements separate 16KB instruction and 16KB data caches (ICache and DCache).

The caches have the following features:

- Virtually-addressed 64-way associative cache.
- 8 words per line (32 bytes per line) with one valid bit and two dirty bits per line, allowing half-line write-backs.
- Write-through and write-back cache operation (write-back caches are also known as copy-back caches), selected per memory region by the C and B bits in the MMU translation tables (for data cache only).
- Pseudo-random or round-robin replacement, selectable using the RR bit in CP15 register 1.
- Low-power CAM-RAM implementation.
- Caches independently lockable with granularity of $1/64$ th of cache, which is 64 words (256 bytes).
- To avoid a TLB miss during write-back data eviction, and to reduce interrupt latency, the physical address corresponding to each data cache entry is stored in the PA TAG RAM for use during cache line write-backs, in addition to the VA TAG stored in the cache CAMs. This means that the MMU is not involved in cache write-back operations, removing the possibility of TLB misses related to the write-back address.
- Cache maintenance operations to provide efficient cleaning of the entire data cache, and to provide efficient cleaning and invalidation of small regions of virtual memory. The latter allows ICache coherency to be efficiently maintained when small code changes occur, for example self-modifying code and changes to exception vectors.

The write buffer:

- has a 16-word data buffer
- has a 4-address address buffer
- can be drained under software control, using a CP15 MCR instruction (see *Drain write buffer* on page 4-23).

The ARM920T can be drained under software control and put into a low-power state until an interrupt occurs, using a CP15 MCR instruction (see *Wait for interrupt* on page 4-24).

4.2 ICache

The ARM920T includes a 16KB ICache. The ICache has 512 lines of 32 bytes (8 words), arranged as a 64-way set-associative cache and uses MVAs, translated by CP15 register 13 (see *Address translation* on page 3-6), from the ARM9TDMI core.

The ICache implements allocate-on-read-miss. Random or round-robin replacement can be selected under software control using the RR bit (CP15 register 1, bit 14). Random replacement is selected at reset.

Instructions can also be locked in the ICache so that they cannot be overwritten by a linefill. This operates with a granularity of $1/64$ th of the cache, which is 64 words (256 bytes).

All instruction accesses are subject to MMU permission and translation checks. Instruction fetches that are aborted by the MMU do not cause linefills or instruction fetches to appear on the AMBA ASB interface.

Note

For clarity, the I bit (bit 12 in CP15 register 1) is called the *Icr bit* throughout the following text. The C bit from the MMU translation table descriptor corresponding to the address being accessed is called the *Ctt bit*.

4.2.1 ICache organization

The ICache is organized as eight segments, each containing 64 lines, and each line containing eight words. The position of the line within the segment is a number from 0 to 63. This is called the *index*. A line in the cache can be uniquely identified by its segment and index. The index is independent of the MVA. The segment is selected by bits [7:5] of the MVA.

Bits [4:2] of the MVA specify the word within a cache line that is accessed. For halfword operations, bit [1] of the MVA specifies the halfword that is accessed within the word. For byte operations, bits [1:0] specify the byte within the word that is accessed.

Bits [31:8] of the MVA of each cache line are called the TAG. The MVA TAG is stored in the cache, along with the 8-words of data, when the line is loaded by a linefill.

Cache lookups compare bits [31:8] of the MVA of the access with the stored TAG to determine whether the access is a hit or miss. The cache is therefore said to be virtually addressed. The logical model of the 16KB ICache is shown in Figure 4-1 on page 4-5.

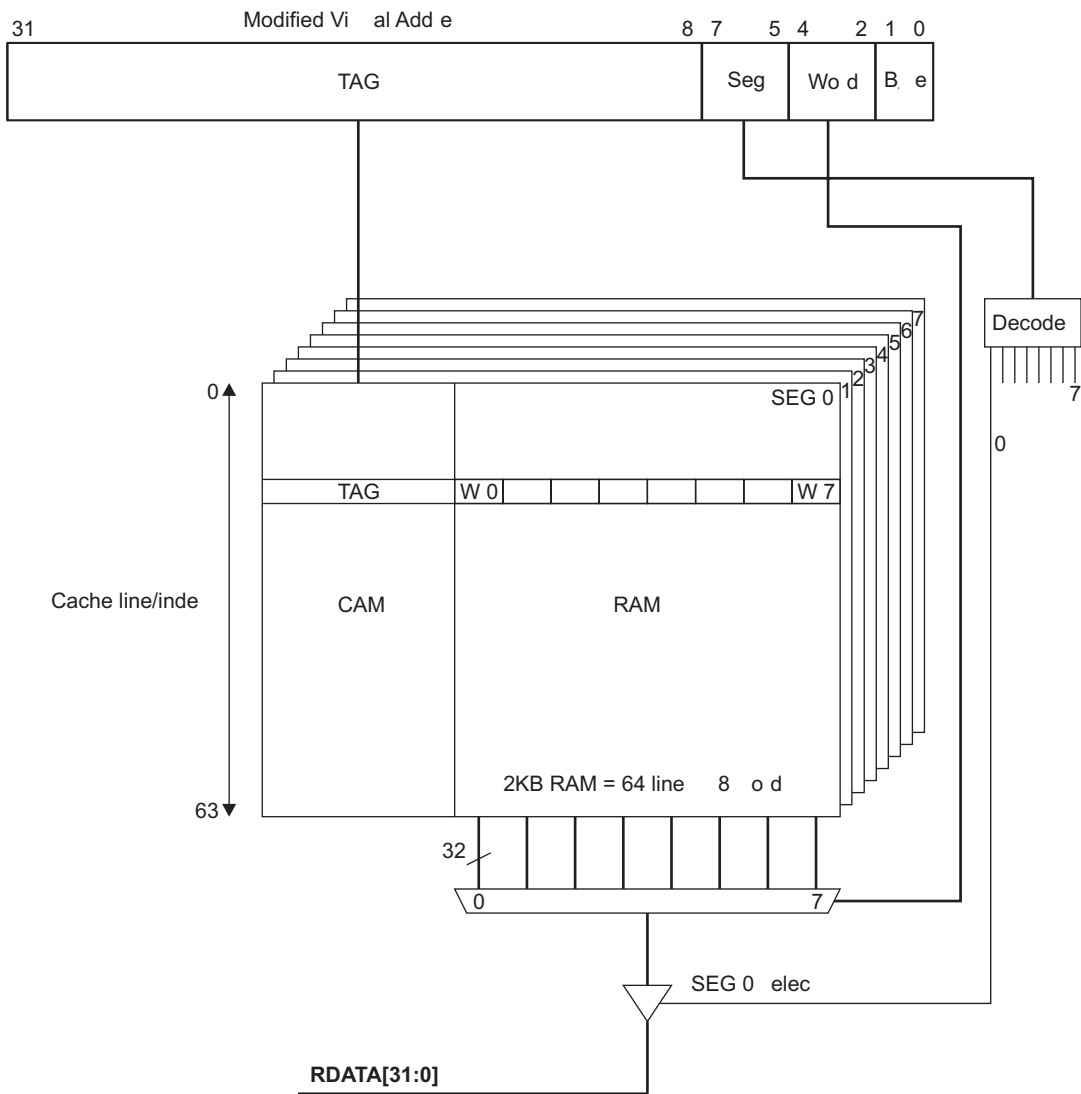


Figure 4-1 Addressing the 16KB ICache

4.2.2 Enabling and disabling the ICache

On reset, the ICache entries are all invalidated and the ICache is disabled.

You can enable the ICache by writing 1 to the Icr bit, and disable it by writing 0 to the Icr bit.

When the ICache is disabled, the cache contents are ignored and all instruction fetches appear on the AMBA ASB interface as separate nonsequential accesses. The ICache is usually used with the MMU enabled. In this case the Ctt in the relevant MMU translation table descriptor indicates whether an area of memory is cachable.

If the cache is disabled after having been enabled, all cache contents are ignored. All instruction fetches appear on the AMBA ASB interface as separate nonsequential accesses and the cache is not updated. If the cache is subsequently re-enabled its contents are unchanged. If the contents are no longer coherent with main memory, you must invalidate the ICache before you re-enable it (see *Register 7, cache operations register* on page 2-17).

If the cache is enabled with the MMU disabled, all instruction fetches are treated as cachable. No protection checks are made, and the physical address is flat-mapped to the modified virtual address.

You can enable the MMU and ICache simultaneously by writing a 1 to the M bit, and a 1 to the Icr bit in CP15 register 1, with a single MCR instruction.

————— **Note** —————

ARM920T implements a nonsequential access on the AMBA ASB interface as an A-TRAN cycle followed by an S-TRAN cycle. It does not produce N-TRAN cycles. A linefill appears as an A-TRAN cycle followed by an S-TRAN cycle.

4.2.3 ICache operation

If the ICache is disabled, each instruction fetch results in a separate nonsequential memory access on the AMBA ASB interface, giving very low bus and memory performance. Therefore, you must enable the ICache as soon as possible after reset.

If the ICache is enabled, an ICache lookup is performed for each instruction fetch regardless of the setting of the Ctt bit in the relevant MMU translation table descriptor:

- If the required instruction is found in the cache, the lookup is called a cache hit. If the instruction fetch is a cache hit and Ctt=1, indicating a cachable region of memory, then the instruction is returned from the cache to the ARM9TDMI CPU core.

- If the required instruction is not found in the cache, the lookup is called a cache miss. If it is a cache miss and Ctt=1, then an eight-word linefill is performed, possibly replacing another entry. The entry to be replaced, called the victim, is chosen from the entries that are not locked, using either a random or round-robin replacement policy. If Ctt=0, indicating a noncachable region of memory, then a single nonsequential memory access appears on the AMBA ASB interface.

Note

If Ctt=0, indicating a noncachable region of memory, then the cache lookup results in a cache miss. The only way that it can result in a cache hit is if software has changed the value of the Ctt bit in the MMU translation table descriptor without invalidating the cache contents. This is a programming error. The behavior in this case is architecturally unpredictable and varies between implementations.

4.2.4 ICache replacement algorithm

The ICache and DCache replacement algorithm is selected by the RR bit in the CP15 control register (CP15 register 1, bit 14). Random replacement is selected at reset. Setting the RR bit to 1 selects round-robin replacement. Round-robin replacement means that entries are replaced sequentially in each cache segment.

4.2.5 ICache lockdown

You can lock instructions into the ICache, causing the ICache to guarantee a hit, and provide optimum and predictable execution time. If you enable the ICache, an ICache lookup is performed for each instruction fetch. If the ICache misses and the Ctt=1 then an eight-word linefill is performed. The entry to be replaced is selected by the victim pointer. You can lock instructions into the ICache by controlling the victim pointer, and forcing prefetches to the ICache. You lock instructions in the ICache by first ensuring the code to be locked is not already in the cache. You can ensure this by invalidating either the whole ICache or specific lines:

```
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c7, c5, 0      ; Invalidate ICache
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c7, c5, 1      ; Invalidate ICache line using MVA
```

You can then use a short software routine to load the instructions into the ICache. The software routine must either be noncachable, or already in the ICache but not in an ICache line about to be overwritten. You must enable the MMU to ensure that any TLB misses that occur while loading the instructions cause a page table walk. The software routine operates by writing to CP15 register 9 to force the victim pointer to a specific ICache line and by using the prefetch ICache line operation to force the ICache to perform a lookup. This misses, assuming the code has been invalidated, and an 8-word linefill is performed loading the cache line into the entry specified by the victim pointer.

When all the instructions have been loaded, they are then locked by writing to CP15 register 9 to set the victim pointer base to be one higher than the last entry written. All further linefills now occur in the range victim base to 63. An example ICache lockdown routine is shown in Example 4-1. The example assumes that the number of cache lines to be loaded is not known. The address does not have to be cache line or word-aligned but this is recommended to ensure future compatibility.

Note

The Prefetch ICache Line operation uses MVA format, because address aliasing is not performed on the address in Rd. It is advisable for the associated TLB entry to be locked into the TLB to avoid page table walks during execution of the locked code.

Example 4-1 ICache lockdown routine

```

        ADRL    r0,start_address      ; address pointer
        ADRL    r1,end_address
        MOV     r2,#lockdown_base<<26 ; victim pointer
        MCR     p15,0,r2,c9,c0,1     ; write ICache victim and lockdown base

loop    MCR     p15,0,r0,c7,c13,1     ; Prefetch ICache line
        ADD     r0,r0,#32             ; increment address pointer to next ICache line

;; do we need to increment the victim pointer?
;; test for segment 0, and if so, increment the victim pointer
;; and write the ICache victim and lockdown base.
        AND     r3,r0,#0xE0          ; extract the segment bits from the address
        CMP     r3,#0x0              ; test for segment 0
        ADDEQ   r2,r2,#0x1<<26      ; if segment 0, increment victim pointer
        MCREQ   p15,0,r2,c9,c0,1     ; and write ICache victim and lockdown base

;; have we linefilled enough code?
;; test for the address pointer being less than or equal to the
;; end_address and if so, loop and perform another linefill
        CMP     r0,r1                ; test for less than or equal to end_address
        BLE     loop                 ; if not, loop

;; have we exited with r3 pointing to segment 0?
;; if so, the ICache victim and lockdown base has already been set to one
;; higher than the last entry written.
;; if not, increment the victim pointer and write the ICache victim and
;; lockdown base.
        CMP     r3,#0x0              ; test for segments 1 to 7
        ADDNE   r2,r2,#0x1<<26      ; if address is segment 1 to 7,
        MCRNE   p15,0,r2,c9,c0,1     ; write ICache victim and lockdown base

```

4.3 DCache and write buffer

The ARM920T processor includes a 16KB DCache and a write buffer to reduce the effect of main memory bandwidth and latency on data access performance. The DCache has 512 lines of 32 bytes (8-words), arranged as a 64-way set-associative cache and uses MVAs translated by CP15 register 13 (see *Address translation* on page 3-6) from the ARM9TDMI CPU core. The write buffer can hold up to 16 words of data and four separate addresses. The operations of the DCache and the write buffer are closely connected.

The DCache supports write-through and write-back memory regions, controlled by the C and B bits in each section and page descriptor within the MMU translation tables. For clarity, these bits are called *Ctt* and *Btt* in the following text. For details see *DCache and write buffer operation* on page 4-10.

Each DCache line has two dirty bits, one for the first four words of the line, the other for the last four words, and a single virtual TAG address and valid bit for the entire 8-word line. The physical address from which each line is loaded is stored in the PA TAG RAM and is used when writing modified lines back to memory.

When a store hits in the DCache, if the memory region is write-back, the associated dirty bit is set marking the appropriate half-line as being modified. If the cache line is replaced due to a linefill, or if the line is the target of a DCache clean operation, the dirty bits are used to decide whether the whole, half, or none of the line is written back to memory. The line is written back to the same physical address from which it was loaded, regardless of any changes to the MMU translation tables.

The DCache implements allocate-on-read-miss. Random or round-robin replacement can be selected under software control by the RR bit (CP15 register 1, bit 14). Random replacement is selected at reset. A linefill always loads a complete 8-word line.

Data can also be locked in the DCache so that it cannot be overwritten by a linefill. This operates with a granularity of $1/64$ th of the cache, which is 64 words (256 bytes).

All data accesses are subject to MMU permission and translation checks. Data accesses that are aborted by the MMU do not cause linefills or data accesses to appear on the AMBA ASB interface.

For clarity, the C bit (bit 2 in CP15 register 1) is called the *Ccr* bit throughout the following text.

4.3.1 Enabling and disabling the DCache and write buffer

On reset, the DCache entries are invalidated and the DCache is disabled, and the write buffer contents are discarded.

There is no explicit write buffer enable bit implemented in ARM920T. The write buffer is used in the following ways:

- You can enable the DCache by writing 1 to the Ccr bit, and disable it by writing 0 to the Ccr bit.
- You must only enable the DCache when the MMU is enabled. This is because the MMU translation tables define the cache and write buffer configuration for each memory region.
- If the DCache is disabled after having been enabled, the cache contents are ignored and all data accesses appear on the AMBA ASB interface as separate nonsequential accesses and the cache is not updated. If the cache is subsequently re-enabled its contents are unchanged. Depending on the software system design, you might have to clean the cache after it is disabled, and invalidate it before you re-enable it. See *Cache coherence* on page 4-17.
- You can enable or disable the MMU and DCache simultaneously with a single MCR that changes the M bit and the C bit in the control register (CP15 register 1).

4.3.2 DCache and write buffer operation

The DCache and write buffer configuration of each memory region is controlled by the Ctt and Btt bits in each section and page descriptor in the MMU translation tables. You can modify the configuration using the DCache enable bit in the CP15 control register. This is called Ccr.

If the DCache is enabled, a DCache lookup is performed for each data access initiated by the ARM9TDMI CPU core, regardless of the value of the Ctt bit in the relevant MMU translation table descriptor. If the required data is found, the lookup is called a *cache hit*. If the required data is not found, the lookup is called a *cache miss*. In this context a data access means any type of load (read), store (write), or swap instruction, including LDR, LDRB, LDRH, LDM, LDC, STR, STRB, STRH, STC, SWP, and SWPB.

Accesses appear on the AMBA ASB interface in program order but the ARM9TDMI CPU core can continue executing at full speed, reading instructions and data from the caches, and writing to the DCache and write buffer, while buffered writes are being written to memory through the AMBA ASB interface.

Table 4-1 describes the DCache and write buffer behavior for each type of memory configuration. *Ctt AND Ccr* means the bitwise Boolean AND of Ctt with Ccr.

Table 4-1 DCache and write buffer configuration

Ctt AND Ccr	Btt	DCache, write buffer, and memory access behavior
0 ^a	0	<p>Noncached, nonbuffered (NCNB).</p> <p>Reads and writes are not cached. They always perform accesses on the AMBA ASB interface.</p> <p>Writes are not buffered. The CPU halts until the write is completed on the AMBA ASB interface.</p> <p>Reads and writes can be externally aborted.</p> <p>Cache hits never occur under normal operation.^b</p>
0	1	<p>Noncached, buffered (NCB).</p> <p>Reads and writes are not cached, and always perform accesses on the AMBA ASB interface.</p> <p>Writes are placed in the write buffer and appear on the AMBA ASB interface. The CPU continues execution as soon as the write is placed in the write buffer.</p> <p>Reads can be externally aborted.</p> <p>Writes cannot be externally aborted. Cache hits never occur under normal operation.^b</p>
1	0	<p>Cached write-through mode (WT).</p> <p>Reads that hit in the cache read the data from the cache and do not perform an access on the AMBA ASB interface.</p> <p>Reads that miss in the cache cause a linefill.</p> <p>Writes that hit in the cache update the cache.</p> <p>All writes are placed in the write buffer and appear on the AMBA ASB interface.</p> <p>The CPU continues execution as soon as the write is placed in the write buffer.</p> <p>Reads and writes cannot be externally aborted.</p>

Table 4-1 DCache and write buffer configuration (continued)

Ctt AND Ccr	Btt	DCache, write buffer, and memory access behavior
1	1	<p>Cached write-back mode (WB).</p> <p>Reads that hit in the cache read the data from the cache and do not perform an AMBA ASB interface access.</p> <p>Reads that miss in the cache cause a linefill.</p> <p>Writes that hit in the cache update the cache and mark the appropriate half of the cache line as dirty, and do not cause an AMBA ASB interface access.</p> <p>Writes that miss in the cache are placed in the write buffer and appear on the AMBA ASB interface. The CPU continues execution as soon as the write is placed in the write buffer.</p> <p>Cache write-backs are buffered.</p> <p>Reads, writes, and write-backs cannot be externally aborted.</p>
		<p>a. If the control register C bit (Ccr) is zero, it disables all lookups in the cache, while if the translation table descriptor C bit (Ctt) is zero, it only stops new data being loaded into the cache. With Ccr = 1 and Ctt = 0 the cache is still searched on every access to check whether the cache contains an entry for the data.</p> <p>b. It is an operating system software error if a cache hit occurs when reading from, or writing to, a region of memory marked as NCNB or NCB. The only way this can occur is if the operating system changes the value of the C and B bits in a page table descriptor, while the cache contains data from the area of virtual memory controlled by that descriptor. The cache and memory system behavior resulting from changing the page table descriptor in this way is unpredictable. If the operating system has to change the C and B bits of a page table descriptor, it must ensure that the caches do not contain any data controlled by that descriptor. In some circumstances, the operating system might have to clean and flush the caches to ensure this.</p>

A linefill performs an 8-word burst read from the AMBA ASB interface and places it as a new entry in the cache, possibly replacing another line at the same location within the cache. The location that is replaced, called the victim, is chosen from the entries that are not locked using either a random or round-robin replacement policy. If the cache line being replaced is marked as dirty, indicating that it has been modified and that main memory has not been updated to reflect the change, a cache writeback occurs.

Depending on whether one or both halves of the cache line are dirty, the write-back performs a 4 or 8-word sequential burst write access on the AMBA ASB interface. The write-back data is placed in the write buffer, and then the linefill data is read from the AMBA ASB interface. The CPU can then continue while the write-back data is written to memory over the AMBA ASB interface.

Load multiple (LDM) instructions accessing NCNB or NCB regions perform sequential bursts on the AMBA ASB interface. Store multiple (STM) instructions accessing NCNB regions also perform sequential bursts on the AMBA ASB interface.

The sequential burst is split into two bursts if it crosses a 1KB boundary. This is because the smallest MMU protection and mapping size is 1KB, so the memory regions on each side of the 1KB boundary can have different properties.

This means that sequential accesses generated by ARM920T do not cross a 1KB boundary. This can be exploited to simplify memory interface design. For example, a simple page-mode DRAM controller can perform a page-mode access for each sequential access, provided the DRAM page size is 1KB or larger.

See also *Cache coherence* on page 4-17.

4.3.3 DCache organization

The DCache is organized as eight segments, each containing 64 lines, and each line containing eight words. The position of the line within the segment is a number from 0 to 63. This is called the index. A line in the cache can be uniquely identified by its segment and index. The index is independent of the MVA. The segment is selected by bits [7:5] of the MVA.

Bits [4:2] of the MVA specify which word within a cache line is accessed. For halfword operations, bit [1] of the MVA specifies which halfword is accessed within the word. For byte operations, bits [1:0] specify which byte within the word is accessed.

Bits [31:8] of the MVA of each cache line are called the TAG. The MVA TAG is stored in the cache, along with the eight words of data, when the line is loaded by a linefill.

Cache lookups compare bits [31:8] of the MVA of the access with the stored TAG to determine whether the access is a hit or miss. The cache is therefore said to be virtually addressed.

The DCache logical model is the same as for the ICache. See *Addressing the 16KB ICache* on page 4-5.

4.3.4 DCache replacement algorithm

The DCache and ICache replacement algorithm is selected by the RR bit in the CP15 control register (CP15 register 1, bit 14). Random replacement is selected at reset. Setting the RR bit to 1 selects round-robin replacement. Round-robin replacement means that entries are replaced sequentially in each segment.

4.3.5 Swap instructions

Swap instruction (SWP or SWPB) behavior is dependent on whether the memory region is cachable or noncachable.

Swap instructions to cachable regions of memory are useful for implementing semaphores or other synchronization primitives in multithreaded uniprocessor software systems.

Swap instructions to noncachable memory regions are useful for synchronization between two bus masters in a multi-master bus system. This can be two processors, or one processor and a DMA controller.

When a swap instruction accesses a cachable region of memory (write-through or write-back), the DCache and write buffer behavior is the same as having a load followed by a store according to the normal rules described. The **BLOK** pin is not asserted during the execution of the instruction. It is guaranteed that no interrupt can occur between the load and store portions of the swap.

When a swap instruction accesses a noncachable (NCB or NCNB) region of memory, the write buffer is drained, and a single word or byte is read from the AMBA ASB interface. The write portion of the swap is then treated as nonbufferable, regardless of the value of Btt, and the processor is stalled until the write is completed on the AMBA ASB interface. The **BLOK** pin is asserted to indicate that you can treat the read and write as an atomic operation on the bus.

Like all other data accesses, a swap to a noncachable region that hits in the cache indicates a programming error.

4.3.6 DCache lockdown

You can lock data into the DCache, causing the DCache to guarantee a hit, and provide optimum and predictable execution time. If you enable the DCache, a DCache lookup is performed for each load. If the DCache misses and the Ctt=1 then an eight-word linefill is performed. The entry to be replaced is selected by the victim pointer. You can lock data into the DCache by controlling the victim pointer, and forcing loads to the DCache. You lock data in the DCache by first ensuring the data to be locked is not already in the cache. You can ensure this by cleaning and invalidating either the whole DCache or specific lines. Example 4-2 on page 4-15 shows DCache invalidate and clean operations that you can perform to do this.

Example 4-2 DCache invalidate and clean operations

Example 4-3 DCache lockdown routine

```

        ADRL    r0,start_address      ; address pointer
        ADRL    r1,end_address
        MOV     r2,#lockdown_base<<26 ; victim pointer
        MCR     p15,0,r2,c9,c0,0     ; write DCache victim and lockdown base

loop
        LDR     r3,[r0],#32           ; load DCache line, increment to next DCache line

;; do we need to increment the victim pointer?
;; test for segment 0, and if so, increment the victim pointer and
;; write the ICache victim and lockdown base.
        AND     r3,r0,#0xE0           ; extract the segment bits from the address
        CMP     r3,#0x0               ; test for segment 0
        ADDEQ   r2,r2,#0x1<<26       ; if segment 0, increment victim pointer
        MCREQ   p15,0,r2,c9,c0,0     ; and write DCache victim and lockdown base

;; have we linefilled enough code?
;; test for the address pointer being less than or equal to the end_address
;; and if so, loop and perform another linefill
        CMP     r0,r1                 ; test for less than or equal to end_address,
        BLE     loop                  ; if not, loop

;; have we exited with r3 pointing to segment 0?
;; if so, the ICache victim and lockdown base has already been set to one
;; higher than the last entry written.
;; if not, increment the victim pointer and write the ICache victim and
;; lockdown base.
        CMP     r3,#0x0               ; test for segments 1 to 7
        ADDNE   r2,r2,#0x1<<26       ; if address is segment 1 to 7,
        MCRNE   p15,0,r2,c9,c0,0     ; write DCache victim and lockdown base

```

4.4 Cache coherence

The ICache and DCache contain copies of information normally held in main memory. If these copies of memory information get out of step with each other because one is updated and the other is not updated, they are said to have become incoherent. If the DCache contains a line that has been modified by a store or swap instruction, and the main memory has not been updated, the cache line is said to be dirty. Clean operations force the cache to write dirty lines back to main memory. The ICache then has to be made coherent with a changed area of memory after any changes to the instructions that appear at an MVA, and before the new instructions are executed.

On the ARM920T, software is responsible for maintaining coherence between main memory, the ICache, and the DCache.

Register 7, cache operations register on page 2-17 describes facilities for invalidating the entire ICache or individual ICache lines, and for cleaning and/or invalidating DCache lines, or for invalidating the entire DCache.

To clean the entire DCache efficiently, software must loop through each cache entry using the *clean D single entry (using index)* operation or the *clean and invalidate D entry (using index)* operation. You must perform this using a two-level nested loop going through each index value for each segment. See *DCache organization* on page 4-13.

Example 4-4 shows an example loop for two alternative DCache cleaning operations.

Example 4-4 DCache cleaning loop

```

for seg = 0 to 7
  for index = 0 to 63
    Rd = {seg,index}

    MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,2          ; Clean DCache single
                                   ; entry (using index)

    or

    MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c14,2          ; Clean and Invalidate
                                   ; DCache single entry
                                   ; (using index)

  next index
next seg

```

DCache, ICache, and memory coherence is generally achieved by:

- cleaning the DCache to ensure memory is up to date with all changes
- invalidating the ICache to ensure that the ICache is forced to re-fetch instructions from memory.

Software can minimize the performance penalties of cleaning and invalidating caches by:

- Cleaning only small portions of the DCache when only a small area of memory has to be made coherent, for example, when updating an exception vector entry. Use *Clean DCache single entry (using MVA)* or *Clean and Invalidate DCache single entry (using MVA)*.
- Invalidating only small portions of the ICache when only a small number of instructions are modified, for example, when updating an exception vector entry. Use *Invalidate ICache single entry (using MVA)*.
- Not invalidating the ICache in situations where it is known that the modified area of memory cannot be in the cache, for example, when mapping a new page into the currently running process.

Situations that necessitate cache cleaning and invalidating include:

- Writing instructions to a cachable area of memory using STR or STM instructions, for example:
 - self-modifying code
 - JIT compilation
 - copying code from another location
 - downloading code using the EmbeddedICE JTAG debug features
 - updating an exception vector entry.
- Another bus master, such as a DMA controller, modifying a cachable area main memory.
- Turning the MMU on or off.
- Changing the virtual-to-physical mappings, or Ctt, or Btt, or protection information, in the MMU page tables. The DCache must be cleaned, and both caches invalidated, before the cache and write buffer configuration of an area of memory is changed by modifying Ctt or Btt in the MMU translation table descriptor. This is not necessary if it is known that the caches cannot contain any entries from the area of memory whose translation table descriptor is being modified.
- Turning the ICache or DCache on, if its contents are no longer coherent.

Changing the FCSE PID in CP15 register 13 does not change the contents of the cache or memory, and does not affect the mapping between cache entries and physical memory locations. It only changes the mapping between ARM9TDMI addresses and cache entries. This means that changing the FCSE PID does not lead to any coherency issues. No cache cleaning or cache invalidation is required when the FCSE PID is changed.

The software design must also consider that the pipelined design of the ARM9TDMI core means that it fetches three instructions ahead of the current execution point. So, for example, the three instructions following an MCR that invalidates the ICache, have already been read from the ICache before it is invalidated.

4.5 Cache cleaning when lockdown is in use

The *Clean DCache single entry (using index)* and *Clean and Invalidate DCache entry (using index)* operations can leave the victim pointer set to the index value used by the operation. In some circumstances, if DCache locking is in use, this can leave the victim pointer in the locked region, leading to locked data being evicted from the cache. You can move the victim pointer outside the locked region by implementing the cache loop, enclosed by the reading and writing of the base and victim pointer:

```
MRC p15, 0, Rd, c9, c0, 0      ; Read D Cache Base into Rd
Index Clean or Index Clean and Invalidate loops
MCR p15, 0, Rd, c9, c0, 0      ; Write D Cache Base and Victim from Rd
```

Clean DCache single entry (using MVA) and *Clean and Invalidate DCache entry (using MVA)* operations do not move the victim pointer, so you do not have to reposition the victim pointer after using these operations.

4.6 Implementation notes

This section describes the behavior of the ARM920T implementation in areas that are architecturally unpredictable. For portability to other ARM implementations, software must not depend on this behavior.

A read from a noncachable (NCB or NCNB) region that unexpectedly hits in the cache still reads the required data from the AMBA ASB interface. The contents of the cache are ignored, and the cache contents are not modified. This includes the read portion of a swap (SWP or SWPB) instruction.

A write to a noncachable (NCB or NCNB) region that unexpectedly hits in the cache updates the cache and still causes an access on the AMBA ASB interface. This includes the write portion of a swap instruction.

There are two test interfaces to both the DCache and ICache:

- debug interface
- AMBA test interface.

4.7 Physical address TAG RAM

The ARM920T implements a *Physical Address* (PA) TAG RAM in order to perform write-backs from the DCache.

A write-back occurs when dirty data, that is about to be overwritten by linefill data, comes from a memory region that is marked as a write-back region. This data is written back to main memory to maintain memory coherency.

Note

Dirty data is data that has been modified in the cache, but not updated in main memory.

When a line is written into the data cache, the PA TAG is written into the PA TAG RAM. If this line has to be written back to main memory, the PA TAG RAM is read and the physical address is used by the AMBA ASB interface to perform the write-back.

The PA TAG RAM array for a 16KB DCache comprises eight segments x 64 rows per segment x 26 bits per row. There are two test interfaces to the PA TAG RAM:

- debug interface, see *Scan chain 4 - debug access to the PA TAG RAM* on page 9-39
- AMBA test interface, see *PA TAG RAM test* on page 11-12.

4.8 Drain write buffer

You can drain the write buffer under software control, so that further instructions are not executed until the write buffer is drained, using the following methods:

- store to nonbufferable memory
- load from noncachable memory
- MCR drain write buffer:

```
MCR      p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,4
```

The write buffer is also drained before performing the following less controllable activities, which you must consider as implementation-defined:

- fetch from noncachable memory
- DCache linefill
- ICache linefill.

4.9 Wait for interrupt

You can place the ARM920T into a low power state by executing the CP15 MCR wait for interrupt:

```
MCR      p15,0,Rd,c7,c0,4
```

Execution of this MCR causes the write buffer to drain and the ARM920T is put into a state where it will resume execution of code after either an interrupt or a debug request. When the interrupt occurs the MCR instruction completes and the **FIQ** or **IRQ** handler is entered as normal. The return link in R14_fiq or R14_irq contains the address of the MCR instruction plus 8, so that the normal instruction used for interrupt return returns to the instruction following the MCR:

```
SUBS     pc,r14,#4
```

Chapter 5

Clock Modes

This chapter describes the different clocking modes available on the ARM920T processor. It contains the following sections:

- *About ARM920T clocking* on page 5-2
- *FastBus mode* on page 5-3
- *Synchronous mode* on page 5-4
- *Asynchronous mode* on page 5-6.

5.1 About ARM920T clocking

The ARM920T processor has two functional clock inputs, **BCLK** and **FCLK**. Internally, the ARM920T is clocked by **GCLK**. This can be seen on the **CPCLK** output as shown in Figure 5-1. **GCLK** can be sourced from either **BCLK** or **FCLK** depending on the clocking mode, selected using nF bit and iA bit in CP15 register 1 (see *Register 1, control register* on page 2-12), and external memory access. The three clocking modes are:

- *FastBus mode* on page 5-3
- *Synchronous mode* on page 5-4
- *Asynchronous mode* on page 5-6.

The ARM920T is a static design and you can stop both clocks indefinitely without loss of state. Figure 5-1 shows that some of the ARM920T macrocell signals have timing specified with relation to **GCLK**. This can be either **FCLK** or **BCLK** depending on the clocking mode.

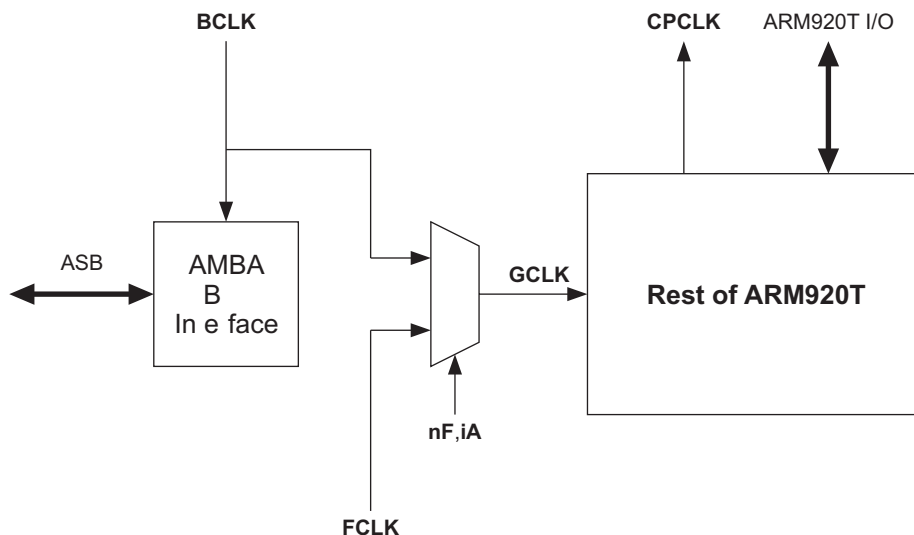


Figure 5-1 ARM920T clocking

5.2 FastBus mode

In FastBus mode **GCLK** is sourced from **BCLK**. The **FCLK** input is ignored. This means that **BCLK** is used to control the AMBA ASB interface and the internal ARM920T processor core.

On reset, the ARM920T is put into FastBus mode and operates using **BCLK**. A typical use for FastBus mode is to execute startup code while configuring a PLL under software control to produce **FCLK** at a higher frequency. When the PLL has stabilized and locked, you can switch the ARM920T to synchronous or asynchronous clocking using **FCLK** for normal operation.

5.3 Synchronous mode

In this mode of operation **GCLK** is sourced from **BCLK** or **FCLK**. There are three restrictions that apply to **BCLK** and **FCLK**:

- **FCLK** must have a higher frequency than **BCLK**
- **FCLK** must be an integer multiple of the **BCLK** frequency
- **FCLK** must be HIGH whenever there is a **BCLK** transition.

BCLK is used to control the AMBA ASB interface, and **FCLK** is used to control the internal ARM920T processor core. When an external memory access is required the core either continues to clock using **FCLK** or is switched to **BCLK**, as shown in Table 5-1. This is the same as for asynchronous mode.

Table 5-1 Clock selection for external memory accesses

External memory access operation	GCLK =
Buffered write	FCLK
Nonbuffered write	BCLK
Page walk, cachable read (linefill), noncachable read	BCLK

The penalty in switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** and from **BCLK** to **FCLK** is symmetric, from zero to one phase of the clock to which the core is re-synchronizing. That is, switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** has a penalty of between zero and one **BCLK** phase, and switching back from **BCLK** to **FCLK** has a penalty of between zero and one **FCLK** phase.

Figure 5-2 on page 5-5 shows an example zero **BCLK** phase delay when switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** in synchronous mode.

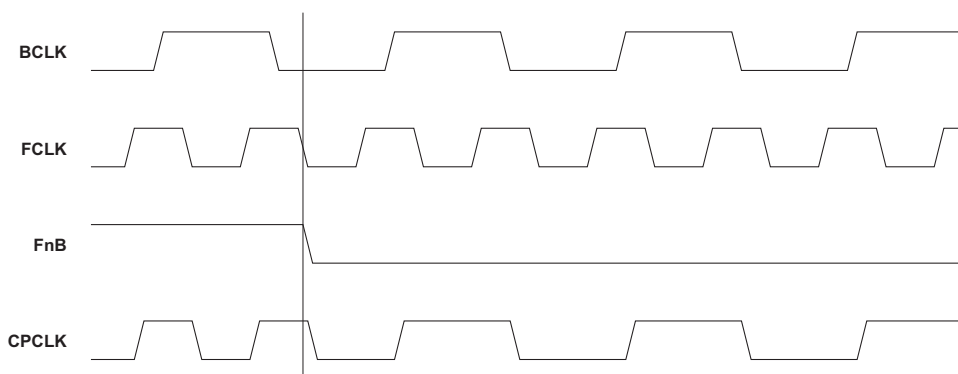


Figure 5-2 Synchronous mode FCLK to BCLK zero phase delay

Figure 5-3 shows an example one **BCLK** phase delay when switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** in synchronous mode.

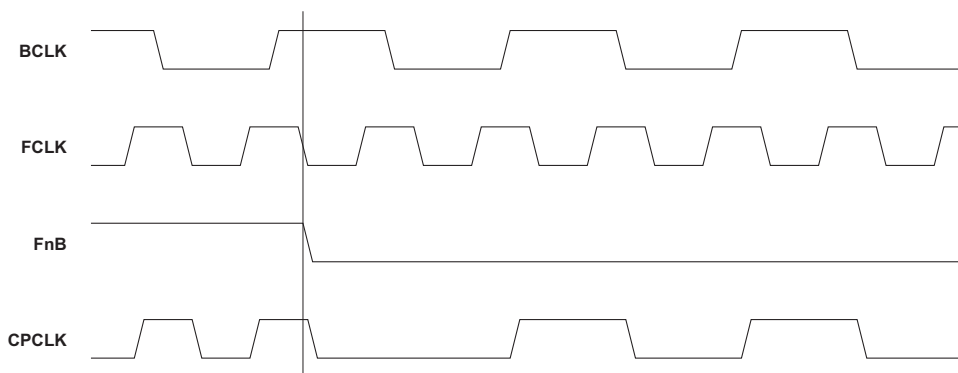


Figure 5-3 Synchronous mode FCLK to BCLK one phase delay

5.4 Asynchronous mode

In this mode of operation **GCLK** is sourced from **BCLK** or **FCLK**. **FCLK** and **BCLK** can be completely asynchronous to one another, with the one restriction that **FCLK** must have a higher frequency than **BCLK**.

BCLK is used to control the AMBA ASB interface, and **FCLK** is used to control the internal ARM920T processor core. When an external memory access is required the core either continues to clock using **FCLK** or is switched to **BCLK**. This is the same as for synchronous mode. The penalty in switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** and from **BCLK** to **FCLK** is symmetric, from zero to one cycle of the clock to which the core is re-synchronizing. That is, switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** has a penalty of between zero and one **BCLK** cycle, and switching back from **BCLK** to **FCLK** has a penalty of between zero and one **FCLK** cycle.

Figure 5-4 shows an example zero **BCLK** cycle delay when switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** in asynchronous mode.

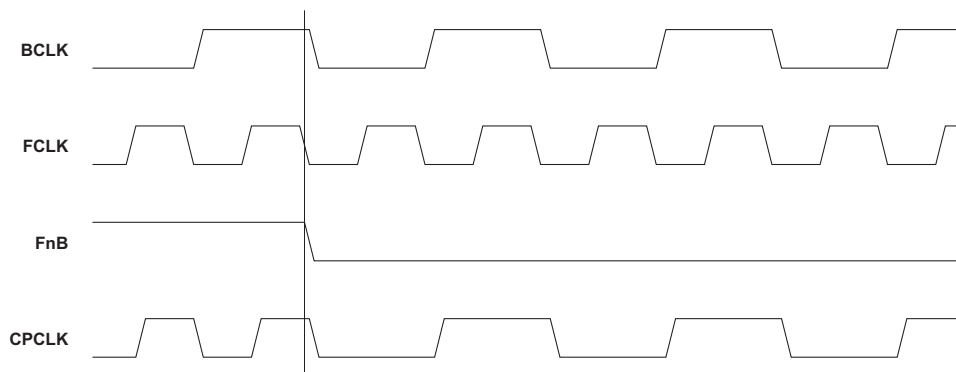


Figure 5-4 Asynchronous mode FCLK to BCLK zero cycle delay

Figure 5-5 on page 5-7 shows an example one **BCLK** cycle delay when switching from **FCLK** to **BCLK** in asynchronous mode.

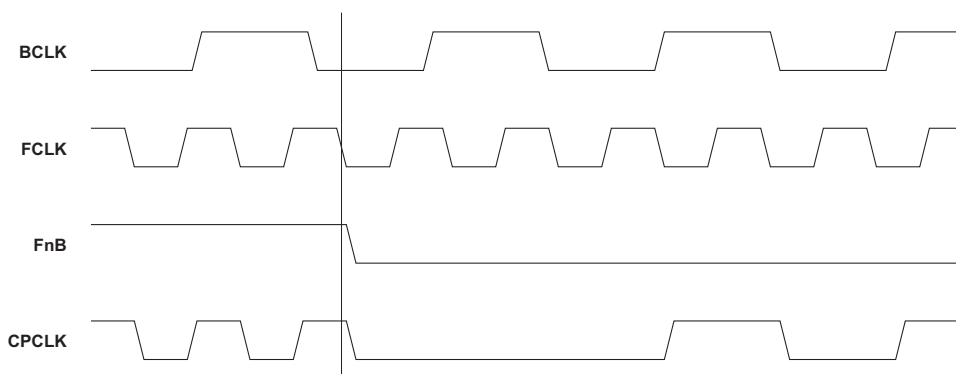


Figure 5-5 Asynchronous mode FCLK to BCLK one cycle delay

Chapter 6

Bus Interface Unit

This chapter describes the ARM920T bus interface. It contains the following sections:

- *About the ARM920T bus interface* on page 6-2
- *Unidirectional AMBA ASB interface* on page 6-3
- *Fully-compliant AMBA ASB interface* on page 6-5
- *AMBA AHB interface* on page 6-21
- *Level 2 cache support and performance analysis* on page 6-23.

6.1 About the ARM920T bus interface

The *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)* defines two high-performance system buses:

- the *Advanced High-performance Bus* (AHB)
- the *Advanced System Bus* (ASB).

The ARM920T processor has been designed with a unidirectional ASB interface, plus the necessary extra control signals to enable efficient implementation of both the AHB and ASB interface. With no additional logic, you can use the unidirectional ASB interface in single master systems where the ARM920T is the master. With the addition of tristate drivers, the ARM920T implements a full ASB interface, either as an ASB bus master, or as a slave for production test. With the addition of a synthesizable wrapper, the ARM920T implements a full AHB interface, either as an AHB bus master, or as a slave for production test.

The wrapper introduces no speed penalties, no performance penalties on reads, no performance penalties on buffered writes, and minimal performance penalty on nonbuffered writes. The MCR drain write buffer requires an additional instruction to operate in a predictable manner. See *AMBA AHB interface* on page 6-21 for details.

In this section the following abbreviations are used:

NCNB	Noncachable and nonbufferable
NCB	Noncachable and bufferable
NC	Noncachable
WT	Cachable and write-through
WB	Cachable and write-back.

6.2 Unidirectional AMBA ASB interface

The *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)* defines the *Advanced Microcontroller Bus Architecture* (AMBA) ASB interface for use with multiple masters. This requires that only the granted master controls and drives the bus system. The unidirectional AMBA ASB interface on the ARM920T supplies the constituent signals to make a bidirectional interface, that is input, output, and output enable. These signals are shown in Table 6-1.

Table 6-1 Relationship between bidirectional and unidirectional ASB interface

ASB signal	ARM920T input	ARM920T output	ARM920T output enable
AGNTx	AGNT	-	-
AREQx	-	AREQ	-
BCLK	BCLK	-	-
BnRES	BnRES	-	-
DSELx	DSEL	-	-
BA[31:12]	-	AOUT[31:12]	ENBA
BA[11:2]	AIN[11:2]	AOUT[31:0]	ENBA
BA[1:0]	-	AOUT[1:0]	ENBA
BLOK	-	LOK	ENBA
BPROT[1:0]	-	PROT[1:0]	ENBA
BSIZE[1:0]	-	SIZE[1:0]	ENBA
BWRITE	WRITEIN	WRITEOUT	ENBA
BD[31:0]	DIN[31:0]	DOUT[31:0]	ENBD
BTRAN[1:0]	-	TRAN[1:0]	ENBTRAN
BERROR	ERRORIN	ERROROUT	ENSR
BLAST	LASTIN	LASTOUT	ENSR
BWAIT	WAITIN	WAITOUT	ENSR

An ASB bus cycle is defined from falling-edge to falling-edge transition of **BCLK**. The LOW part is referred to as phase 1, the HIGH part as phase 2. The timing is shown in Table 6-2, and is for reference only. It is assumed that the ARM920T macrocell is used in either an AMBA ASB or AMBA AHB system.

Table 6-2 ARM920T input/output timing

ARM920T input	Timing	ARM920T output	Timing
-	-	AREQ	Change phase 2
AGNT	Setup to rising BCLK	-	-
DSEL	Setup to falling BCLK	-	-
AIN[11:2]	Setup to falling BCLK	AOUT[31:0]	Change phase 2
-	-	LOK	Change phase 2
-	-	BPROT[1:0]	Change phase 2
-	-	SIZE[1:0]	Change phase 2
WRITEIN	Setup to falling BCLK	WRITEOUT	Change phase 2
DIN[31:0]	Setup to falling BCLK	DOUT[31:0]	Change phase 1
-	-	TRAN[1:0]	Change phase 2 (1)
ERRORIN	Setup to rising BCLK	ERROROUT	Fixed to 0
LASTIN	Setup to rising BCLK	LASTOUT	Fixed to 0
WAITIN	Setup to rising BCLK	WAITOUT	Change phase 1

The timing for **TRAN[1:0]** is slightly different, so that if the ARM920T loses the **GNT** signal, **TRAN[1:0]** is changed to indicate A-TRAN in the same phase 1. Under these circumstances however, the ARM920T does not drive **BTRAN[1:0]** in the subsequent phase 2.

6.3 Fully-compliant AMBA ASB interface

AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0), defines the AMBA ASB interface for use with multiple masters. Connecting the unidirectional ARM920T signals as indicated in *Connecting the ARM920T to an AMBA ASB interface* implements a fully-compliant interface, either as an ASB bus master, or slave for production test. For details of how the AMBA ASB interface operates, refer to the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)*.

6.3.1 Connecting the ARM920T to an AMBA ASB interface

For bidirectional signals, **BA[11:2]**, **BWRITE**, **BD[31:0]**, **BERROR**, **BWAIT**, and **BLAST**, the macrocell outputs must be tristate buffered, using the output enable specified in Table 6-1 on page 6-3. The ARM920T macrocell outputs are continuously driven and intended to drive the signals to the edge of the macrocell from where they can be buffered for additional routing and tristate behavior. The drive strength chosen for tristate drivers must be governed by the ASB load. Figure 6-1 shows the required output buffer for bidirectional signals.

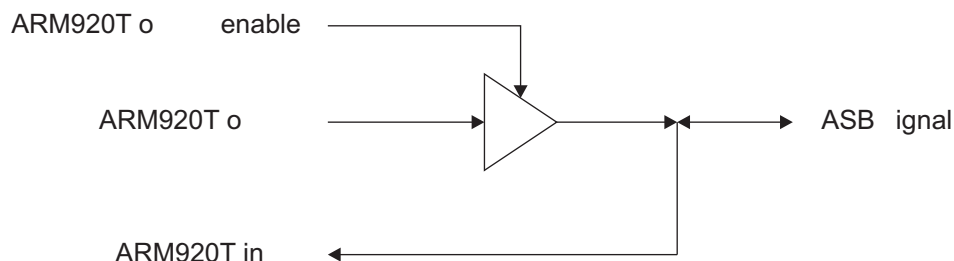


Figure 6-1 Output buffer for bidirectional signals

For output signals, **BA[31:12]**, **BA[1:0]**, **BLOK**, **BPROT[1:0]**, **BSIZE[1:0]**, and **BTRAN[1:0]**, the macrocell outputs must be tristate buffered, using the output enable specified in Table 6-1 on page 6-3. The drive strength chosen for tristate drivers must be governed by the ASB load. Figure 6-2 on page 6-6 shows the output buffer required for unidirectional signals.

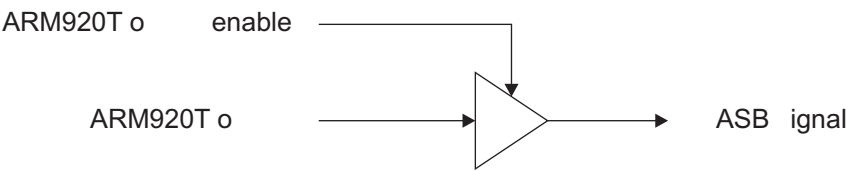


Figure 6-2 Output buffer for unidirectional signals

You can connect the input signals, **AGNTx**, **BCLK**, **BnRES**, and **DSELx** directly to the ARM920T. The signals are appropriately buffered when the signal reaches the edge of the macrocell so additional buffering is not required. The output signal **AREQ** must be buffered with no tristate control, and is dependent on the load within the ASB system.

6.3.2 Transfer types

The AMBA ASB specification describes three transfer types that are encoded in **BTRAN[1:0]**. Table 6-3 shows these transfer types.

Table 6-3 AMBA ASB transfer types

BTRAN[1:0]	Transfer type	Description
00	Address-only (A-TRAN)	Used when no data movement is required. The three main uses for address-only transfers are: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• for IDLE cycles• for bus handover cycles• for speculative address decoding without committing to a data transfer.
01	-	Reserved.
10	Nonsequential (N-TRAN)	Used for single transfers or the first transfer of a burst. The address of the transfer is unrelated to the previous bus access.
11	Sequential (S-TRAN)	Used for successive transfers in burst. The address of a SEQUENTIAL transfer is always related to the previous transfer.

The ARM920T does not use N-TRAN cycles, instead it uses an A-TRAN cycle followed by a S-TRAN cycle for nonsequential transfers. This eases AMBA decoder design considerably, particularly for high-speed designs.

The output signals **ASTB**, **BURST[1:0]**, and **NCMAHB** have been added to the ARM920T bus interface. They are necessary to support the AMBA AHB wrapper, but can also be used to provide optimized accesses in an AMBA ASB system:

ASTB This signal distinguishes between an IDLE cycle and the A-TRAN cycle of a nonsequential transfer. It is asserted with the same timing as **AOUT[31:0]**, changing in phase 2. Usually a memory controller only commits to a transfer when it sees the S-TRAN cycle, perhaps only decoding the address during the A-TRAN cycle. **ASTB** is asserted in the preceding A-TRAN cycle, indicating that the current A-TRAN is followed by an S-TRAN, providing **AGNT** is HIGH on the next rising edge of **BCLK**.

BURST[1:0] This signal gives an indication of the length of a sequential burst, as shown in Table 6-4.

Table 6-4 Burst transfers

BURST[1:0]	Transfer
00	No burst or undefined burst length
01	4-word burst
10	8-word burst
11	No burst or undefined burst length

For linefills, **BURST[1:0]** indicates 8 words. For cache line evictions, **BURST[1:0]** indicates either 4 or 8 words. For all other transfers, **BURST[1:0]** indicates no burst or undefined burst length.

The meaning of the **BURST[1:0]** encoding is clarified when considered whether the transfer is a read or write. In this way you can distinguish between bufferable and nonbufferable STR/STM and table walks, as shown in Table 6-5 on page 6-8.

Table 6-5 Use of WRITEOUT signal

BURST[1:0]	WRITEOUT	ARM920T bus access	Type
00	Read	NC LDR/LDM/fetch	Noncachable read
00	Write	NCNB STR/STM	Nonbufferable write
01	Read	-	-
01	Write	Write-back of 4 words	Bufferable write
10	Read	Linefill of 8 words	Cachable read
10	Write	Write-back of 8 words	Bufferable write
11	Read	Table walk	Cachable read
11	Write	NCB/WT/WB miss STR/STM	Bufferable write

The **BURST[1:0]** signals change in phase 2 and are asserted in the phase when **ASTB** is asserted. **BURST[1:0]** then remains unchanged until the next transfer.

NCMAHB This signal indicates for noncached load multiples whether *more* words are requested as part of the current burst transfer. When **HIGH** this indicates more words are requested. When **LOW**, on the last S-TRAN of the burst, this indicates that the current transfer is the last word of the burst. It is asserted in phase 2 and is only valid if **AGNT** remains asserted throughout the transfer.

The following timing diagrams show the types of transfer that can be initiated by the ARM920T rev1:

- *Instruction fetch after reset* on page 6-11
- *Example LDR from address 0x108* on page 6-12
- *Example LDM of 5 words from 0x108* on page 6-13
- *Example nonbuffered STR* on page 6-14
- *Example nonbuffered STM* on page 6-15
- *Example linefill from 0x100* on page 6-16
- *Example 4-word data eviction* on page 6-17
- *Example swap operation* on page 6-19.

Where the **AREQ** and **AGNT** signals and the responses from the ASB slave are not shown in these diagrams, it is assumed that **AGNT** is asserted and the ASB slave response is **DONE**.

Different slave responses and bus master handover are covered in the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)*. It is assumed that you are using the ARM920T macrocell within a multi-master ASB system, so unidirectional ASB timing diagrams are not provided.

6.3.3 Instruction fetch after reset

The general operation of the AMBA ASB during reset is described in the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)*. The reset signal, **BnRES**, is active LOW, and can be asserted asynchronously to guarantee the bus is in a safe state. During reset, the following actions occur on the bus:

- The arbiter grants the default bus master.
- The default bus master must:
 - drive **BTRAN** to indicate an ADDRESS-ONLY transfer
 - drive **BLOK** LOW to allow arbitration
 - drive **BA**, **BWRITE**, **BSIZE**, and **BPROT** to any value
 - tristate **BD**.
- All other bus masters must tristate shared bus signals, **BA**, **BD**, **BWRITE**, **BTRAN**, **BSIZE**, **BPROT**, and **BLOK**.
- The decoder must:
 - deassert all slave select signals, **DSELx**
 - provide the appropriate transfer response.
- All slaves must tristate shared bus signals.

You must hold **BnRES** LOW for a minimum of five **BCLK** cycles to ensure complete reset of the ARM920T processor. You must deassert **BnRES** during the **BCLK** LOW phase.

Figure 6-3 on page 6-11 shows the default bus master during reset to be the TIC controller. After reset, the ARM920T processor is made the default bus master, so there is a handover phase when **BA**, **BWRITE**, **BSIZE**, **BPROT**, and **BLOK** are not driven, but **BTRAN** is driven with ADDRESS-ONLY. The ARM920T processor continues as the default bus master without requesting the bus, so it must:

- drive **BTRAN** to indicate an ADDRESS-ONLY transfer
- drive **BLOK** LOW to allow arbitration
- drive **BA**, **BWRITE**, **BSIZE**, and **BPROT** to any value
- tristate **BD**.

The ARM920T processor then requests use of the bus and, because it is already granted the bus, starts the first ADDRESS-ONLY cycle that is not an IDLE cycle, indicated by **ASTB**. The first instruction fetch continues from then.

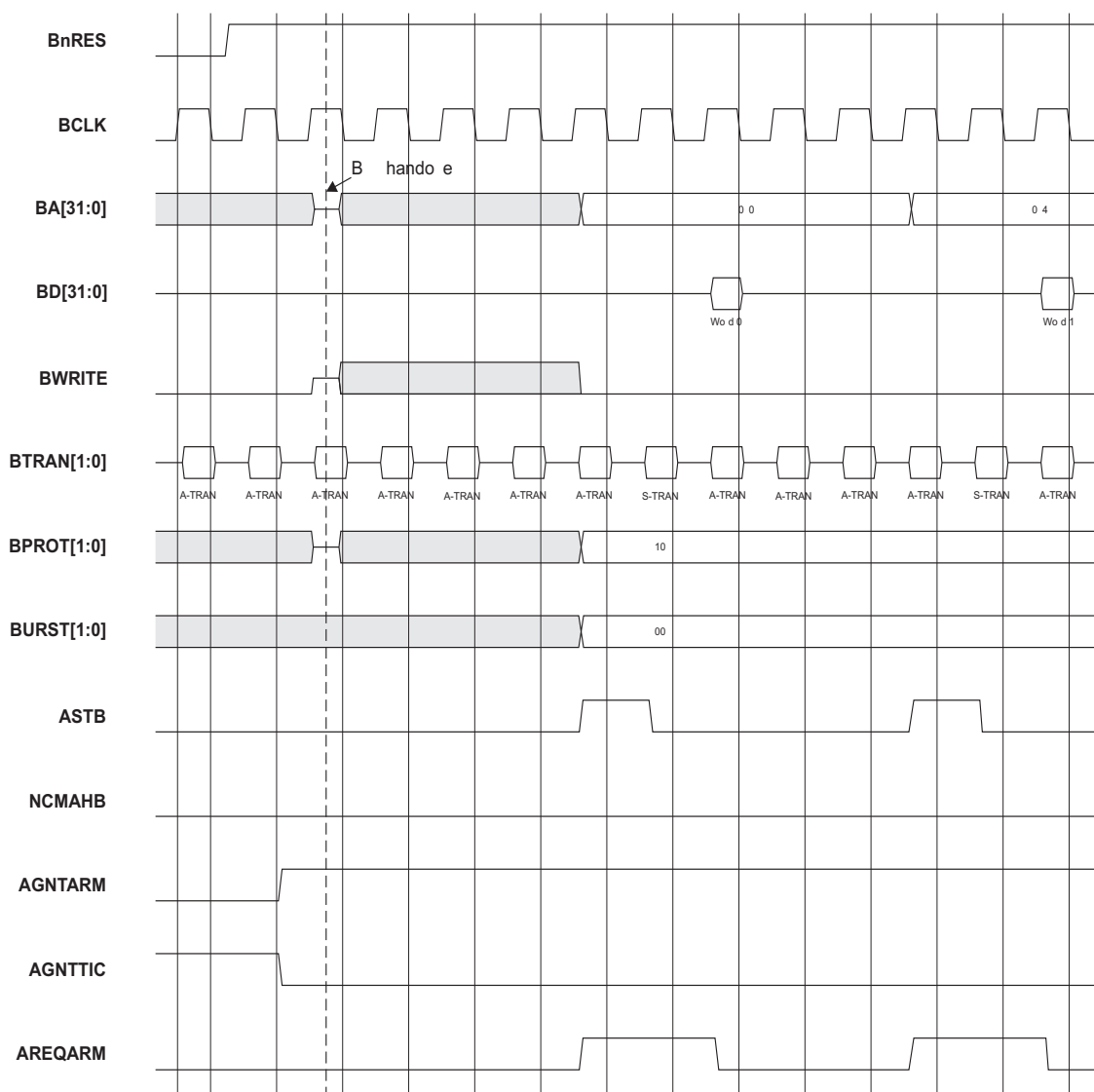


Figure 6-3 Instruction fetch after reset

6.3.4 Noncached LDRs and noncached fetches

The only difference between these noncached LDRs and noncached fetches is the **BPROT[1:0]** information, as shown in Table 6-6.

Table 6-6 Noncached LDR and fetch

BPROT[0]	Transfer
0	Opcode fetch
1	Data access

The address is word-aligned for an LDR and fetch. An example LDR is shown in Figure 6-4.

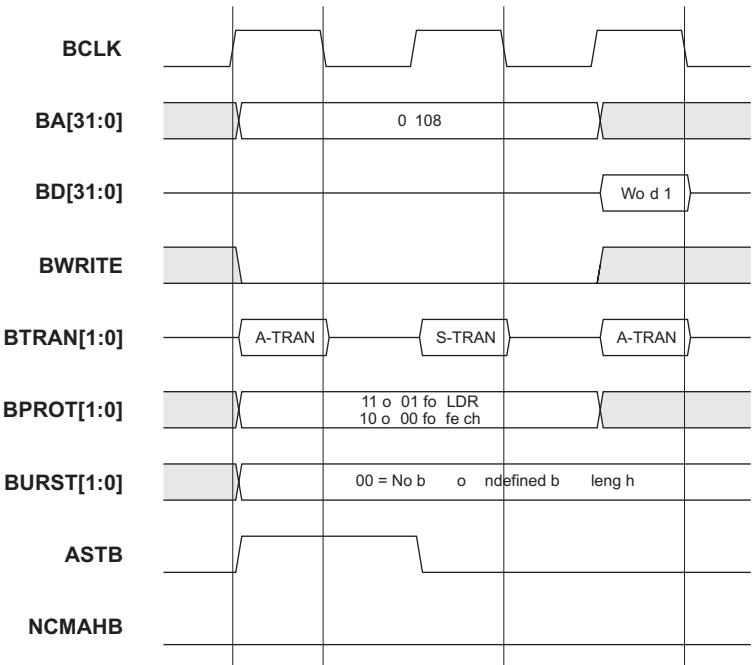


Figure 6-4 Example LDR from address 0x108

6.3.5 Noncached LDM

For a noncached LDM the **BURST[1:0]** information is always 00 = No burst or undefined burst length, though the **NCMAHB** signal gives one cycle advance warning of the end of the burst transfer if **AGNT** remains asserted throughout the burst transfer. The address is word-aligned. An example LDM is shown in Figure 6-5.

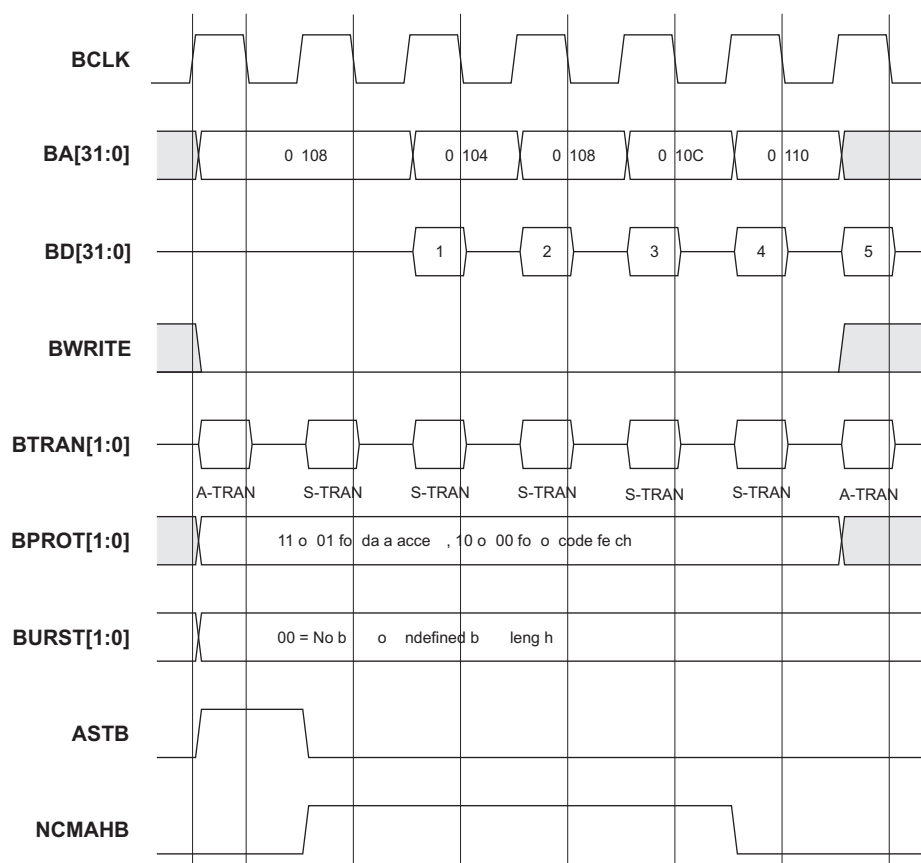


Figure 6-5 Example LDM of 5 words from 0x108

6.3.6 Buffered and nonbuffered STR

For a buffered or nonbuffered STR the **BURST[1:0]** information is:

- 11** Buffered STR, no burst or undefined burst length.
- 00** Nonbuffered STR, no burst or undefined burst length.

The address is word-aligned. An example STR is shown in Figure 6-6.

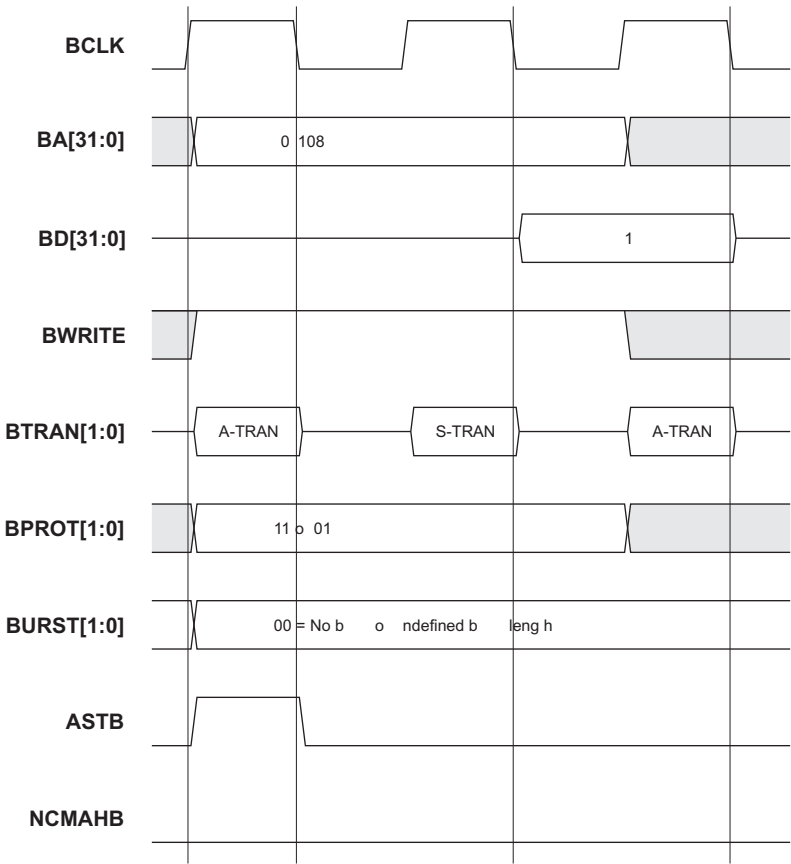


Figure 6-6 Example nonbuffered STR

6.3.7 Buffered and nonbuffered STM

For a buffered or nonbuffered STM the **BURST[1:0]** information is:

11 Buffered STM, no burst or undefined burst length.

00 Nonbuffered STM, no burst or undefined burst length.

The address is word-aligned. An example nonbuffered STM is shown in Figure 6-7.

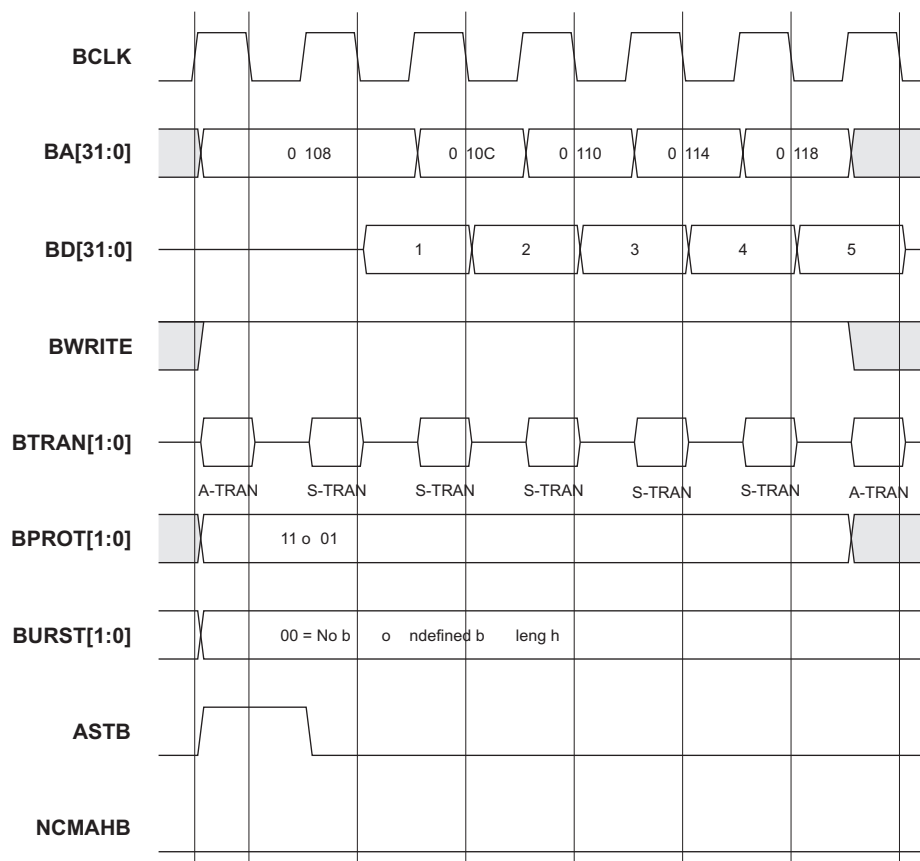


Figure 6-7 Example nonbuffered STM

6.3.8 **Cached LDR, cached LDM, and cached fetch**

A cached LDR or LDM, and a cached fetch, are equivalent to a linefill operation. The **BURST[1:0]** information is always 10 = 8 words. The address is word-aligned and increases from the lowest address. The lowest five bits always increase from 0x00 to 0x1C. An example linefill is shown in Figure 6-8.

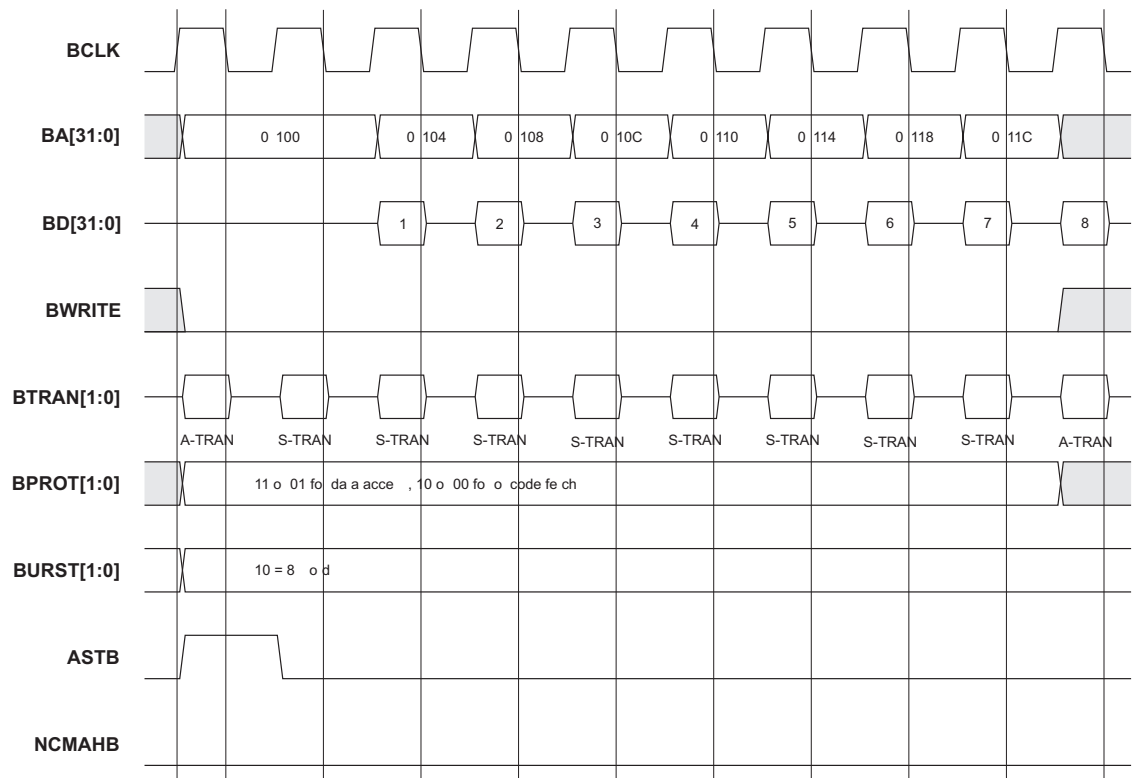


Figure 6-8 Example linefill from 0x100

6.3.9 Dirty data eviction, write-back of 4 or 8 words

Dirty data can be evicted from a cache line as either the first four words, the last four words, or all eight words of the cache line. The address is word-aligned and increases from the lowest address. **BPROT[1:0]** is always 11, indicating privileged data access. Figure 6-9 shows an example four-word dirty data eviction of the second half of a cache line.

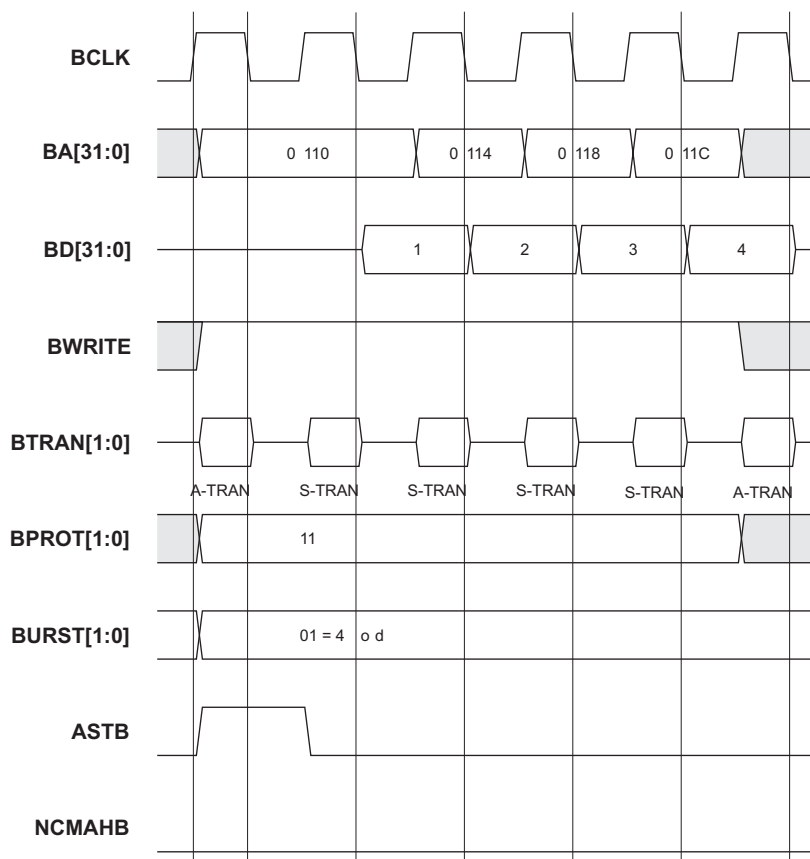


Figure 6-9 Example 4-word data eviction

The allowable combinations are listed in Table 6-7.

Table 6-7 Data eviction of 4 or 8 words

Data evicted	BURST[1:0]	Lowest 5 bits of the address
First 4 words	01	0x00 to 0x0C
Last 4 words	01	0x10 to 0x1C
All 8 words	10	0x00 to 0x1C

6.3.10 Swap

The swap operation is implemented as a single read transfer followed by a single write transfer. The **BLOK** signal is asserted so that the write transfer is locked to the preceding read transfer. This must be used by the arbiter to ensure that no other bus master is given access to the bus between the read and write transfers. An example swap operation is shown in Figure 6-10 on page 6-19.

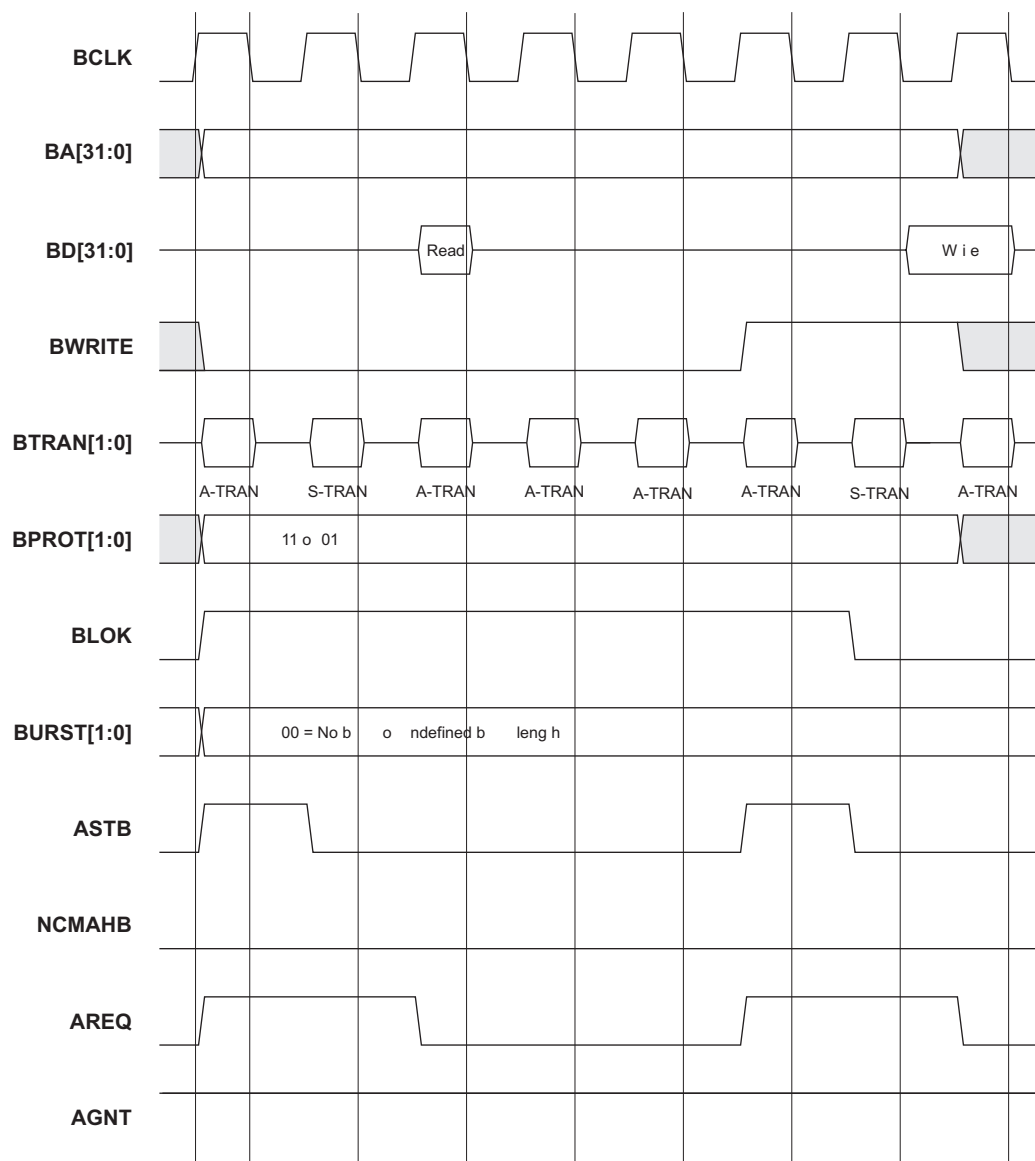


Figure 6-10 Example swap operation

6.3.11 Page walk

A page walk is identical to a noncached LDR on the ASB. That is, a single word read. The **BURST[1:0]** encoding is always 11. For a page walk caused by an opcode fetch, **BPROT[1:0] = 10**. For a page walk caused by a data operation, **BPROT[1:0] = 11**. The page walk is always privileged.

6.3.12 AMBA ASB slave transfers

You can test the ARM920T processor as an individual module within an AMBA system, responding only to transfers from the AMBA ASB. In this mode of operation the ARM920T processor is never granted the ASB as a bus master, and responds as an ASB slave, detecting the assertion of **DSEL**. This is described in detail in the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)*.

6.4 AMBA AHB interface

The *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)* defines the AMBA AHB interface for use with multiple masters. With the addition of a synthesizable wrapper, the ARM920T implements a full AHB interface, either as an AHB bus master, or as a slave for

2. For a write-sensitive address. Issue any other buffered STR to a non write-sensitive address. This must be to a NCB or WT region to ensure the STR is committed to the write buffer:

Buffered STR to clear interrupt

Buffered STR to a non write-sensitive address

MCR drain write buffer

Enable interrupts.

3. Issue a read on the AHB before enabling the interrupts. This must be from a noncachable region to ensure the read appears on the AHB:

Buffered STR to clear interrupt

MCR drain write buffer

Non-cachable LDR or fetch

Enable interrupts.

6.5 Level 2 cache support and performance analysis

The **BURST[1:0]** encoding, used with **WRITEOUT** and **PROT[1:0]**, or **BWRITE** and **BPROT[1:0]**, is intended to provide the information necessary to implement an efficient AHB wrapper. However, it also provides enough information for a level 2 cache to be implemented outside the ARM920T macrocell. Contact ARM for details. Encodings for the range of accesses supported by the ARM920T processor are listed in Table 6-8.

Table 6-8 ARM920T supported bus access types

BURST[1:0]	WRITEOUT	PROT[0]	ARM920T bus access
00	Read	0	Noncachable fetch
00	Read	1	Noncachable LDR or LDM
00	Write	0	-
00	Write	1	Nonbuffered STR or STM
01	Read	0	-
01	Read	1	-
01	Write	0	-
01	Write	1	Write-back of 4 words
10	Read	0	Instruction linefill of 8 words
10	Read	1	Data linefill of 8 words
10	Write	0	-
10	Write	1	Write-back of 8 words
11	Read	0	Instruction table walk
11	Read	1	Data table walk
11	Write	0	-
11	Write	1	Buffered STR or STM

By monitoring the AMBA ASB bus transfers, qualified by the ARM920T **AGNT** and slave responses **BERROR**, **BLAST**, and **BWAIT**, you can implement a performance monitor outside the ARM920T macrocell. This might give the type of information

shown in Example 6-1 on page 6-24 after running a program. The performance monitor can be made accessible as a memory mapped peripheral or using JTAG on the ARM920T external scan chain.

Example 6-1 Typical output data from a performance monitor

I TLB Page Table Walks	: 1
D TLB Page Table Walks	: 1
4 Word Writebacks	: 10
8 Word Writebacks	: 5
I Cache Linefills	: 48
D Cache Linefills	: 28
NC Loads	: 2
NC Fetches	: 38
NCNB Stores	: 2
NCB, WT or WB Miss Stores	: 13
BCLK Cycles	: 1594

Chapter 7

Coprocessor Interface

This chapter describes the ARM920T coprocessor interface. It contains the following sections:

- *About the ARM920T coprocessor interface* on page 7-2
- *LDC/STC* on page 7-5
- *MCR/MRC* on page 7-9
- *Interlocked MCR* on page 7-11
- *CDP* on page 7-13
- *Privileged instructions* on page 7-15
- *Busy-waiting and interrupts* on page 7-17.

7.1 About the ARM920T coprocessor interface

The ARM920T processor supports the connection of on-chip coprocessors through an external coprocessor interface. All types of coprocessor instruction are supported.

The ARM920T coprocessor interface allows you to attach specially designed coprocessor hardware to the ARM920T. Example uses include:

- attachment of accelerators for floating-point math, DSP, 3-D graphics, encryption, or decryption
- the ARM instruction set supports the connection of 16 coprocessors, numbered 0 to 15, to an ARM processor.

7.1.1 Internal coprocessors

The ARM920T processor contains two internal coprocessors:

- CP14 for debug control
- CP15 for memory system control and test control.

This means that coprocessors attached externally to the ARM920T processor cannot be assigned coprocessor numbers 15 or 14. Other coprocessor numbers have been allocated by ARM for internal usage. Contact ARM for a full list of reserved coprocessor numbers.

The register map of CP15 is described in *CP15 register map summary* on page 2-5. The functionality of CP14 is described in *Debug communications channel* on page 9-64.

7.1.2 External coprocessors

Coprocessors determine the instructions they have to execute by using a *pipeline follower* in the coprocessor. As each instruction arrives from memory, it enters both the ARM pipeline and the coprocessor pipeline. To avoid a critical path for the instruction being latched by the coprocessor, the coprocessor pipeline must operate one clock phase behind the ARM920T pipeline. The ARM920T then informs the coprocessor when instructions move from Decode into Execute, and whether the instruction has to be executed.

To enable coprocessors to continue doing coprocessor data operations while the ARM920T pipeline is stalled (for instance waiting for a cache linefill to occur), the coprocessor must monitor a clock **CPCLK**, and a clock stall signal **nCPWAIT**. If **nCPWAIT** is LOW on the rising edge of **CPCLK**, the ARM920T pipeline is stalled and the coprocessor pipeline must not advance.

Figure 7-1 indicates the timing for these signals and when the coprocessor pipeline must advance its state. In this diagram, *Coproc clock* shows the result of ORing **CPCLK** with the inverse of **nCPWAIT**. This is one technique for generating a clock that reflects the ARM9TDMI pipeline advancing.

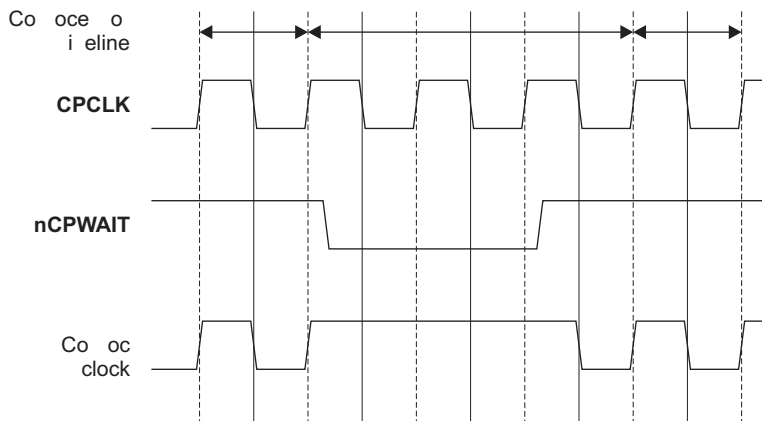


Figure 7-1 ARM920T coprocessor clocking

Coprocessor instructions

There are three classes of coprocessor instructions:

LDC or STC	Load coprocessor register from memory or store coprocessor register to memory.
MCR or MRC	Register transfer between coprocessor and ARM processor core.
CDP	Coprocessor data operation.

Examples of how a coprocessor must execute these instruction classes are given in:

- *LDC/STC* on page 7-5
- *MCR/MRC* on page 7-9
- *Interlocked MCR* on page 7-11
- *CDP* on page 7-13.

7.1.3 Enabling and disabling the external coprocessor interface buses

The ARM920T macrocell has the **CPEN** input, coprocessor enable.

When tied LOW, the **CPID** and **CPDOUT** buses are held stable. When tied HIGH, the **CPID** and **CPDOUT** buses are enabled. This is meant as a power saving feature and is intended to be used statically within an embedded system.

7.2 LDC/STC

The cycle timing for LDC/STC operations are shown in Figure 7-2.

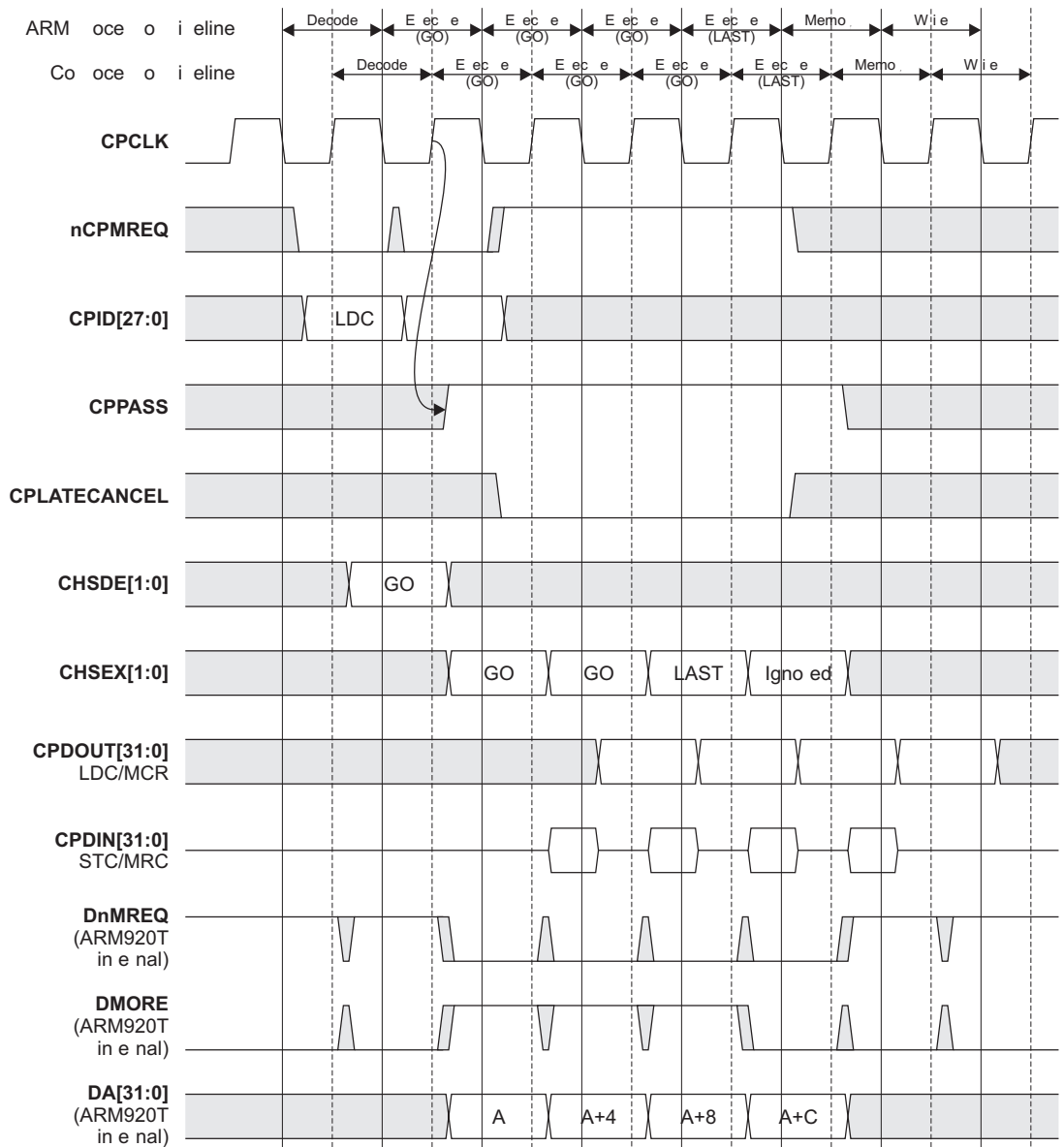


Figure 7-2 ARM920T LDC/STC cycle timing

In Figure 7-2 on page 7-5, four words of data are transferred. The number of words transferred is determined by how the coprocessor drives the **CHSDE[1:0]** and **CHSEX[1:0]** buses.

As with all other instructions, the ARM920T processor core performs the main instruction decode off the rising edge of the clock during the Decode stage. From this, the ARM9TDMI CPU core commits to executing the instruction, and so performs an instruction Fetch. The coprocessor instruction pipeline keeps in step with the ARM920T by monitoring **CPMREQ**, a latched copy of the ARM9TDMI instruction memory request signal **InMREQ**. Whenever **nCPMREQ** is LOW, an instruction Fetch is occurring and **CPID** is updated with the fetched instruction in the next cycle. This means that the instruction currently on **CPID** enters the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline, and that the instruction in the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline enters its Execute stage.

During the Execute stage, the condition codes are combined with the flags to determine whether the instruction can be executed or not. The output **CPPASS** is asserted (HIGH) if the instruction in the Execute stage of the coprocessor pipeline:

- is a coprocessor instruction
- has passed its condition codes.

If a coprocessor instruction busy-waits, **CPPASS** is asserted on every cycle until the coprocessor instruction is executed. If an interrupt occurs during busy-waiting, **CPPASS** is driven LOW, and the coprocessor stops execution of the coprocessor instruction.

Another output, **CPLATECANCEL**, is used to cancel a coprocessor instruction when the instruction preceding it caused a Data Abort. This is valid on the rising edge of **CPCLK** on the cycle after the first Execute cycle of the coprocessor instructions. **CPLATECANCEL** is only asserted during the first Memory cycle of the execution of coprocessor instructions.

On the falling edge of the clock, the ARM920T processor core examines the coprocessor handshake signals **CHSDE[1:0]** or **CHSEX[1:0]**:

- if a new instruction is entering the Execute stage in the next cycle, it examines **CHSDE[1:0]**
- if the coprocessor instruction currently in Execute requires another Execute cycle, it examines **CHSEX[1:0]**.

The handshake signals encode one of four states:

- ABSENT** If there is no coprocessor attached that can execute the coprocessor instruction, the handshake signals indicate the ABSENT state. In this case, the ARM9TDMI processor core takes the undefined instruction exception.
- WAIT** If there is a coprocessor attached that can execute the instruction but not immediately, the coprocessor handshake signals must be driven to indicate that the ARM9TDMI processor core must stall until the coprocessor can catch up. This is known as the *busy-wait* condition. In this case, the ARM9TDMI processor core loops in an IDLE state, waiting for **CHSEX[1:0]** to be driven to another state, or for an interrupt to occur. If **CHSEX[1:0]** changes to ABSENT, the undefined instruction exception is taken. If **CHSEX[1:0]** changes to GO or LAST, the instruction proceeds as described below. If an interrupt occurs, the ARM9TDMI processor core is forced out of the busy-wait state. This is indicated to the coprocessor by the **CPPASS** signal going LOW. The instruction is restarted at a later date. Therefore the coprocessor must not commit to the instruction (change any of the coprocessor states) until it has seen **CPPASS** go HIGH, and the handshake signals indicate the GO or LAST condition.
- GO** The GO state indicates that the coprocessor can execute the instruction immediately, and that it requires another cycle of execution. Both the ARM9TDMI processor core and the coprocessor must also consider the state of the **CPPASS** signal before actually committing to the instruction. For an LDC or STC instruction, the coprocessor instruction must drive the handshake signals with GO when two or more words still have to be transferred. When only one more word is required, the coprocessor must drive the handshake signals with the LAST condition. In phase 2 of the Execute stage, the ARM9TDMI processor core outputs the address for the LDC/STC. Also in this phase, **DnMREQ** is driven LOW, indicating to the memory system that a memory access is required at the data end of the device. The timing for the data on **CPDOUT[31:0]** for an LDC, and **CPDIN[31:0]** for an STC, is as shown in Figure 7-2 on page 7-5.
- LAST** An LDC or STC can be used for more than one item of data. If this is the case, possibly after busy waiting, the coprocessor must drive the coprocessor handshake signals with a number of GO states and, in the penultimate cycle, with LAST. The LAST indicating that the next transfer is the final one. If there is only one transfer, the sequence is [WAIT,[WAIT,...]],LAST.

7.2.1 Coprocessor handshake encoding

Table 7-1 shows how the handshake signals **CHSDE[1:0]** and **CHSEX[1:0]** are encoded.

Table 7-1 Handshake encoding

State	[1:0]
ABSENT	10
WAIT	00
GO	01
LAST	11

If you do not attach a coprocessor to the ARM920T, then the handshake signals must be driven with ABSENT.

If you attach multiple coprocessors to the interface, the handshaking signals can be combined by ANDing bit 1, and ORing bit 0. In the case of two coprocessors that have handshaking signals **CHSDE1**, **CHSEX1** and **CHSDE2**, **CHSEX2** respectively:

CHSDE[1]<= CHSDE1[1] AND CHSDE2[1]

CHSDE[0]<= CHSDE1[0] OR CHSDE2[0]

CHSEX[1]<= CHSEX1[1] AND CHSEX2[1]

CHSEX[0]<= CHSEX1[0] OR CHSEX2[0].

Consequently, if the coprocessor does not recognize a coprocessor instruction, it must drive **CHSDE[1:0]** and **CHSEX[1:0]** with ABSENT.

7.3 MCR/MRC

MCR/MRC cycles look very similar to STC/LDC. An example with a busy-wait state is shown in Figure 7-3.

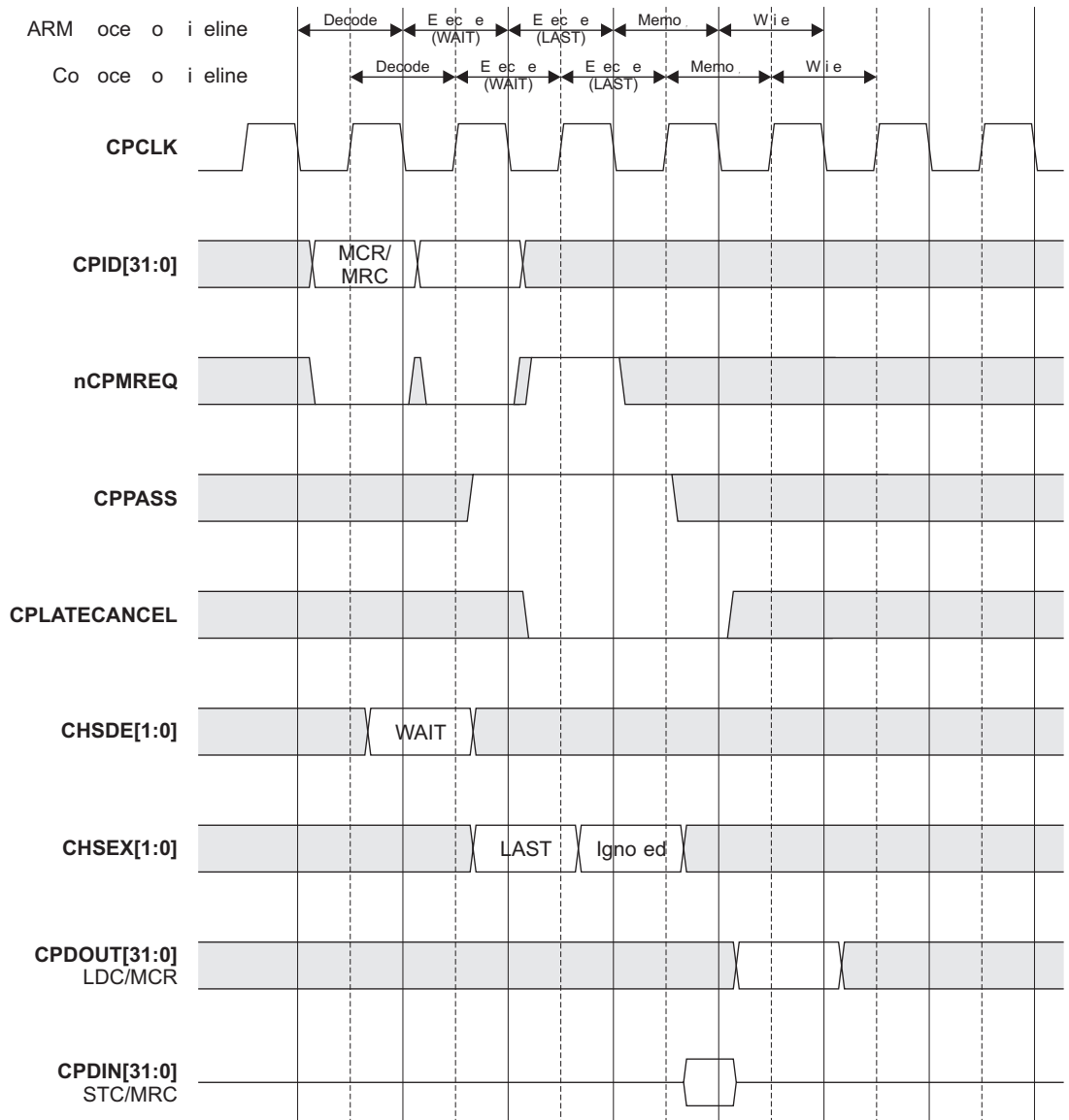


Figure 7-3 ARM920T MCR/MRC transfer timing

In Figure 7-3 on page 7-9, first **nCPMREQ** is driven LOW to denote that the instruction on **CPID** is entering the Decode stage of the pipeline. The coprocessor decodes the new instruction and drives **CHSDE[1:0]** as required.

In the next cycle **nCPMREQ** is driven LOW to denote that the instruction has now been issued to the Execute stage. If the condition codes pass, and the instruction is to be executed, the **CPPASS** signal is driven HIGH and the **CHSDE[1:0]** handshake bus is examined (it is ignored in all other cases).

For any successive Execute cycles the **CHSEX[1:0]** handshake bus is examined. When the LAST condition is observed, the instruction is committed. In the case of an **MCR**, the **CPDOUT[31:0]** bus is driven with the register data. In the case of an **MRC**, **CPDIN[31:0]** is sampled at the end of the ARM920T Memory stage and written to the destination register during the next cycle.

For an **MCR** or **MRC**, with no busy-wait states, the coprocessor drives **CHSDE[1:0]** with LAST. This commits the instruction for execution in the next cycle. The value on **CHSEX[1:0]** is ignored.

7.4 Interlocked MCR

If the data for an MCR operation is not available inside the ARM9TDMI pipeline during its first Decode cycle, the ARM920T pipeline interlocks for one or more cycles until the data is available. An example of this is where the register being transferred is the destination from a preceding LDR instruction. In this situation the MCR instruction enters the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline, and remains there for a number of cycles before entering the Execute stage. Figure 7-4 on page 7-12 gives an example of an interlocked MCR. In this example the MCR busy-waits the ARM9TDMI. When the instruction enters the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline, the coprocessor drives **CHSDE[1:0]** with WAIT. Due to an interlock in the ARM9TDMI, the instruction remains in Decode for an extra cycle. This is signaled to the coprocessor by **nCPMREQ** going HIGH, holding the instruction in the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline follower. The coprocessor signals WAIT to the ARM9TDMI during its second Decode cycle. The interlock in the ARM9TDMI resolves, **nCPMREQ** goes LOW, and the instruction moves from Decode into Execute.

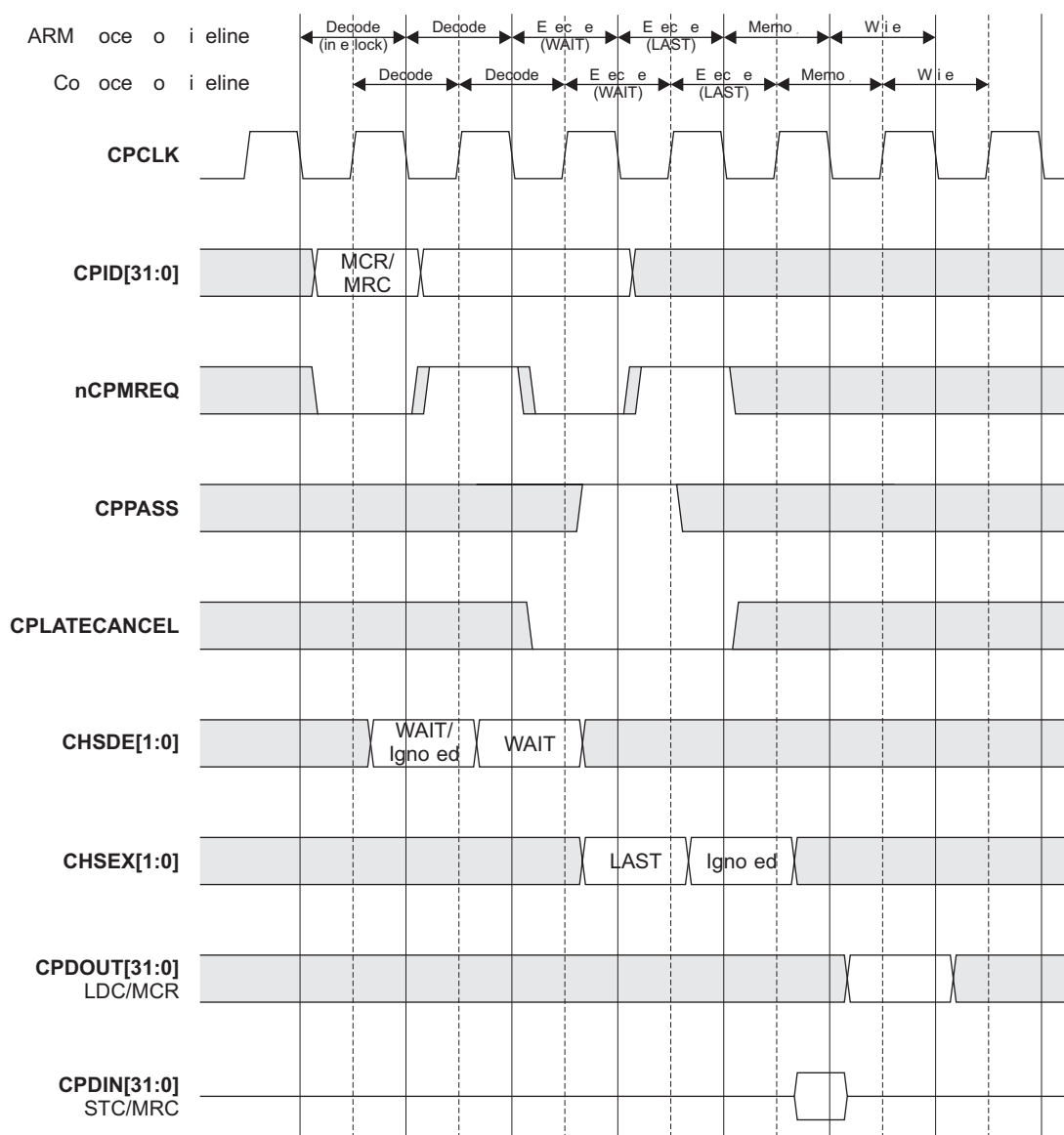


Figure 7-4 ARM920T interlocked MCR

7.5 CDP

CDPs normally execute in a single cycle. Like all other instructions, **nCPMREQ** is driven LOW to signal when an instruction is entering the Decode and then the Execute stage of the pipeline:

- if the instruction is to be executed, the **CPPASS** signal is driven HIGH during phase 2 of the Execute stage
- if the coprocessor can execute the instruction immediately it drives **CHSDE[1:0]** with LAST
- if the instruction requires a busy-wait cycle, the coprocessor drives **CHSDE[1:0]** with WAIT and then **CHSEX[1:0]** with LAST.

Figure 7-5 on page 7-14 shows a CDP that is canceled due to the previous instruction causing a Data Abort. The CDP instruction enters the Execute stage of the pipeline, and is signaled to execute by **CPPASS**. In the following phase **CPLATECANCEL** is asserted. This causes the coprocessor to terminate execution of the CDP instruction, and for it to cause no state changes to the coprocessor.

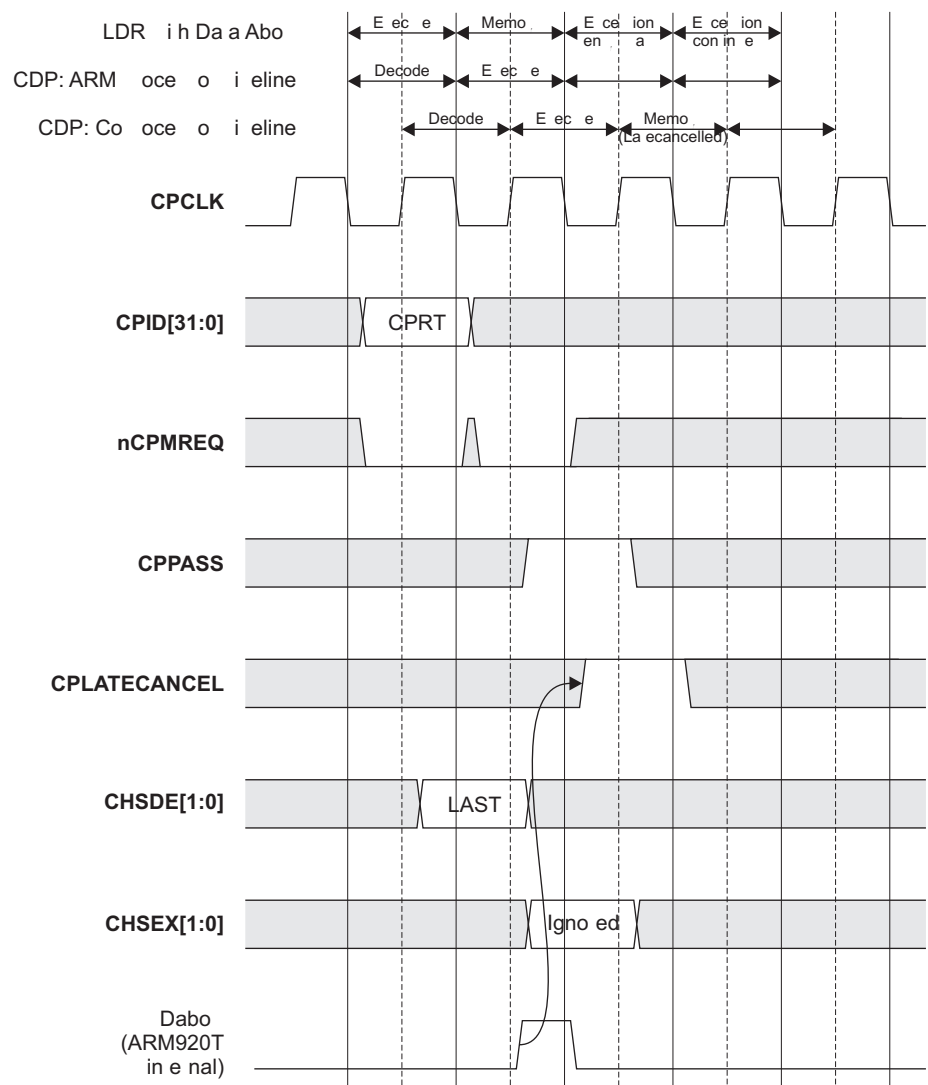


Figure 7-5 ARM920T late canceled CDP

7.6 Privileged instructions

The coprocessor can restrict certain instructions for use in privileged modes only. To do this, the coprocessor must track the **nCPTRANS** output. Figure 7-6 shows how **nCPTRANS** changes after a mode change.

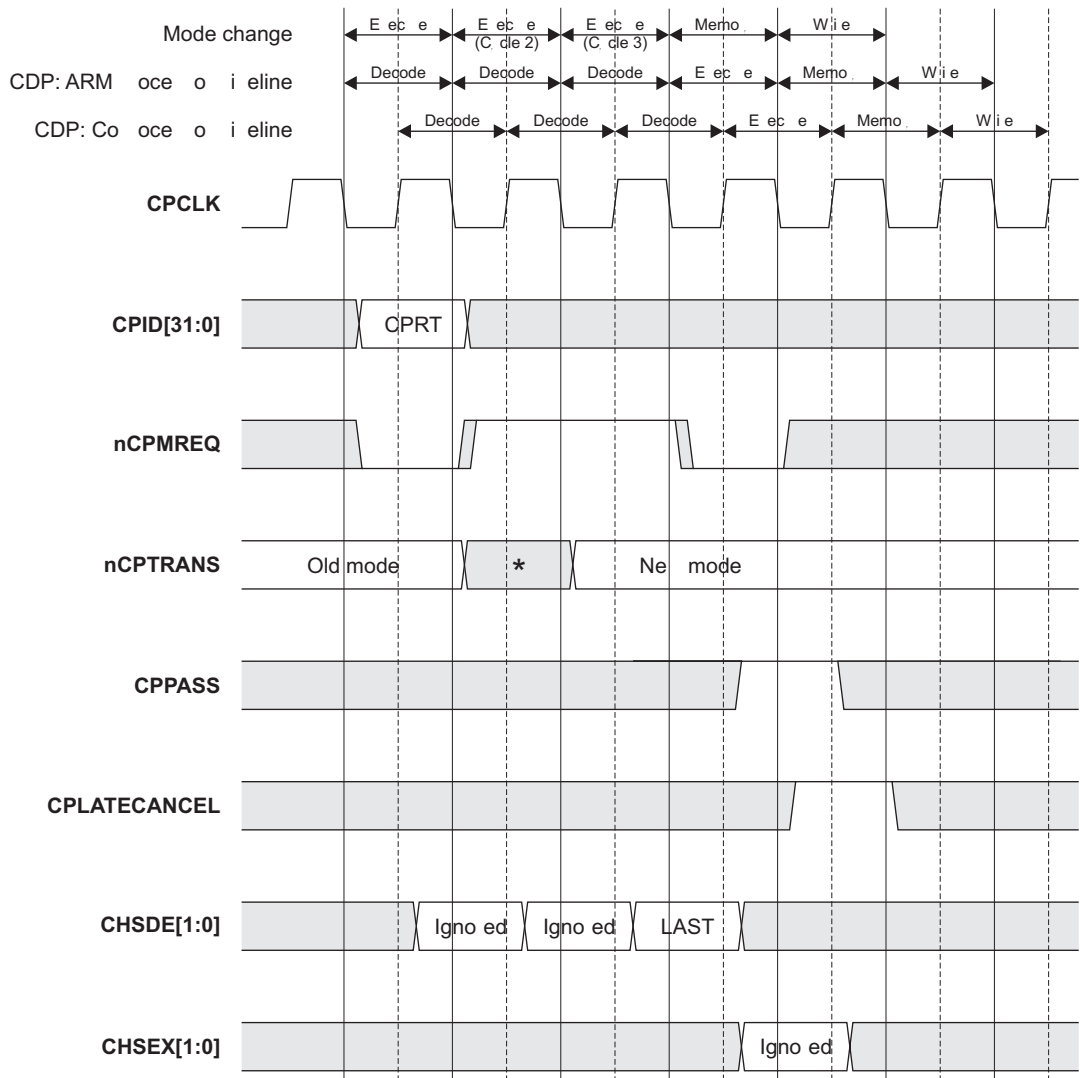


Figure 7-6 ARM920T privileged instructions

In Figure 7-6 on page 7-15 the mode change (marked with an asterisk) occurs as follows:

- For mode changes that do not use an MSR. The mode changes after the first execute cycle.
- For mode changes that use an MSR. The mode changes after the second execute cycle.

———— **Note** —————

The first two **CHSDE[1:0]** responses are ignored by the ARM920T because it is only the final **CHSDE[1:0]** response, as the instruction moves from Decode into Execute, that is relevant. This allows the coprocessor to change its response as **nCPTRANS** changes.

7.7 Busy-waiting and interrupts

The coprocessor is permitted to stall (or *busy-wait*) the processor during the execution of a coprocessor instruction if, for example, it is still busy with an earlier coprocessor instruction. To do so, the coprocessor associated with the Decode stage instruction must drive WAIT in **CHSDE[1:0]**. When the instruction concerned enters the Execute stage of the pipeline, the coprocessor can drive WAIT onto **CHSEX[1:0]** for as many cycles as required to keep the instruction in the busy-wait loop.

For interrupt latency reasons the coprocessor can be interrupted while busy-waiting, causing the instruction to be abandoned. Abandoning execution is achieved through **CPPASS**. The coprocessor must monitor the state of **CPPASS** during every busy-wait cycle. If it is HIGH, the instruction must still be executed. If it is LOW, the instruction must be abandoned. Figure 7-7 on page 7-18 shows a busy-waited coprocessor instruction being abandoned due to an interrupt.

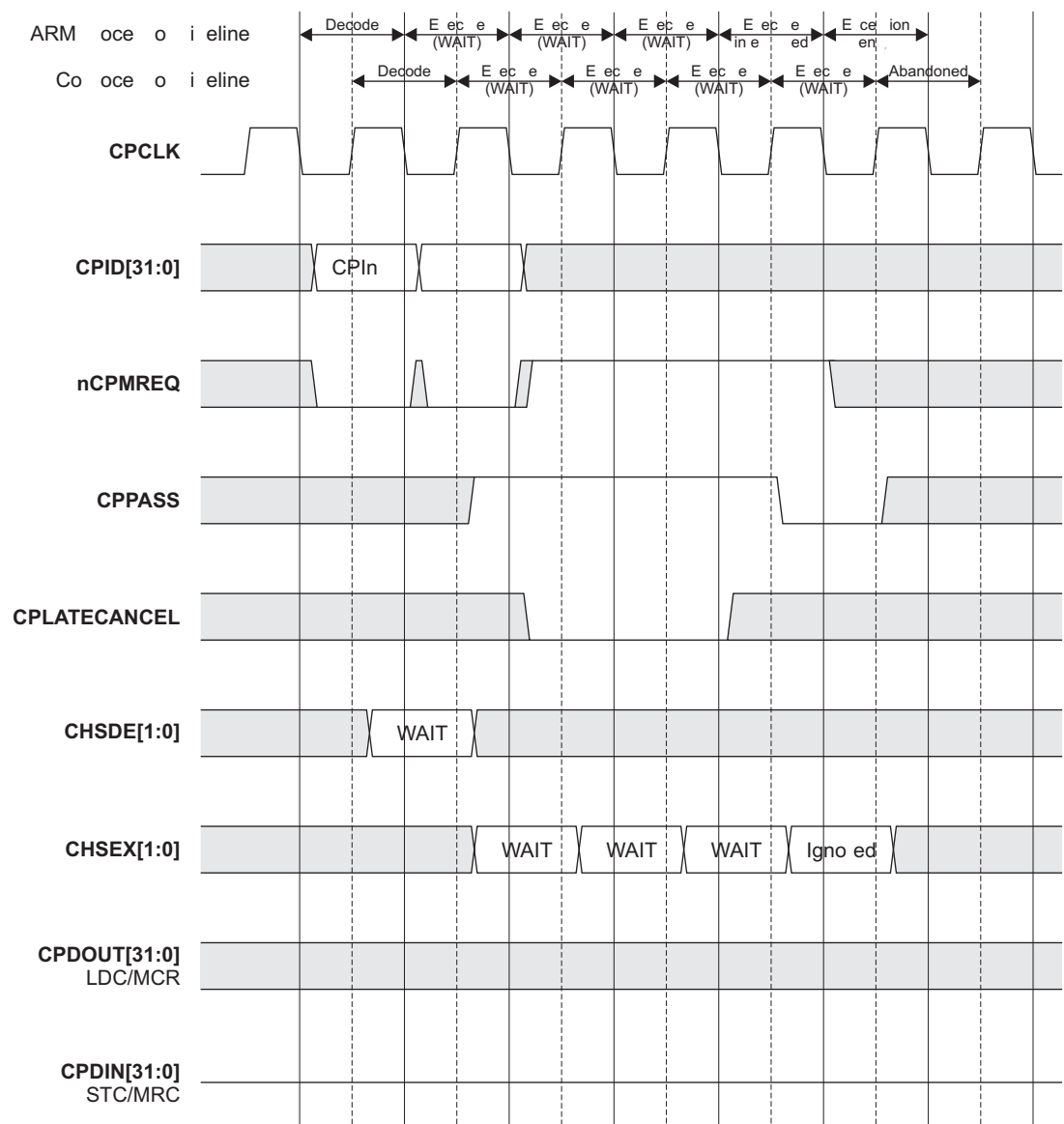


Figure 7-7 ARM920T busy waiting and interrupts

Chapter 8

Trace Interface Port

This chapter gives a brief description of the *Embedded Trace Macrocell* (ETM) support for the ARM920T processor. It contains the following section:

- *About the ETM interface* on page 8-2.

8.1 About the ETM interface

The ARM920T trace interface port enables simple connection of an ETM9 to an ARM920T Rev 1. This interface does not exist on ARM920T Rev 0. The ARM9 *Embedded Trace Macrocell* (ETM9) provides instruction and data trace for the ARM9TDMI family of processors.

The interface is made up as follows:

- **ETMPWRDOWN** input to the ARM920T
- **ETMCLOCK** output to the ETM9
- **ETMnWAIT** output to the ETM9
- **ETM<signal>** outputs to the ETM9.

When **ETMPWRDOWN** is HIGH, the **ETMCLOCK** output and the **ETM<signal>** outputs are held stable. When **ETMPWRDOWN** is LOW, the **ETMCLOCK** and **ETM<signal>** outputs are enabled. This enables system power to be reduced when the ETM9 is not used. When the ETM9 is incorporated within a system, the ARM debug tools control **ETMPWRDOWN**, automatically setting the signal LOW at the start of a debug session. If the ETM9 is not incorporated within a system, then **ETMPWRDOWN** must be tied HIGH.

The **ETMCLOCK** output to the ETM9 is used by the ETM9 to sample the **ETM<signal>** outputs on the rising edge of **ETMCLOCK**, when **ETMnWAIT** is HIGH. **ETMnWAIT** is the **nWAIT** input signal to the ARM9TDMI, so this allows cycle-accurate tracing using **ETMCLOCK**. The **ETMCLOCK** signal is never stretched.

The **ETM<signal>** outputs are registered so that they can be sampled on the rising edge of **ETMCLOCK**.

The **ETM<signal>** timing is shown in *Timing definitions for the ARM920T Trace Interface Port* on page 13-26 and signal descriptions in *ARM920T Trace Interface Port signals* on page A-13.

The *ETM9 (Rev0/0a) Technical Reference Manual* contains details of how to integrate an ETM9 with an ARM920T Rev 1, including the pin correlation.

Chapter 9

Debug Support

This chapter describes the debug support for the ARM920T, including the EmbeddedICE macrocell. It contains the following sections:

- *About debug* on page 9-2
- *Debug systems* on page 9-3
- *Debug interface signals* on page 9-5
- *Scan chains and JTAG interface* on page 9-11
- *The JTAG state machine* on page 9-12
- *Test data registers* on page 9-19
- *ARM920T core clocks* on page 9-42
- *Clock switching during debug* on page 9-43
- *Clock switching during test* on page 9-44
- *Determining the core state and system state* on page 9-45
- *Exit from debug state* on page 9-48
- *The behavior of the program counter during debug* on page 9-51
- *EmbeddedICE macrocell* on page 9-54
- *Vector catching* on page 9-62
- *Single-stepping* on page 9-63
- *Debug communications channel* on page 9-64.

9.1 About debug

Debug support is implemented using the ARM9TDMI CPU core embedded within the ARM920T. Throughout this chapter therefore, ARM9TDMI refers to this core.

The ARM920T debug interface is based on IEEE Std. 1149.1- 1990, *Standard Test Access Port and Boundary-Scan Architecture*. See this standard for an explanation of the terms used in this chapter and for a description of the TAP controller states.

The ARM920T contains hardware extensions for advanced debugging features. These are intended to ease the development of application software, operating systems, and the hardware itself.

The debug extensions allow the core to be stopped by one of the following:

- a given instruction fetch (breakpoint)
- a data access (watchpoint)
- asynchronously by a debug request.

When this happens, the ARM920T is said to be in *debug state*. At this point, you can examine the internal state of the core and the external state of the system. When examination is complete, you can restore the core and system state and resume program execution.

The ARM920T 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 the EmbeddedICE macrocell. When in debug state, the core isolates itself from the memory system. You can then examine the core while all other system activity continues as normal.

You can examine the internal state of the ARM920T using a JTAG-style serial interface. This allows instructions to be serially inserted into the pipeline of the core without using the external data bus. Therefore, when in debug state, you can insert a *store-multiple* (STM) into the instruction pipeline to export the contents of the ARM9TDMI registers. This data can be serially shifted out without affecting the rest of the system.

9.2 Debug systems

The ARM920T forms one component of a debug system that interfaces from the high-level debugging performed by you, to the low-level interface supported by the ARM920T. A typical system is shown in Figure 9-1.

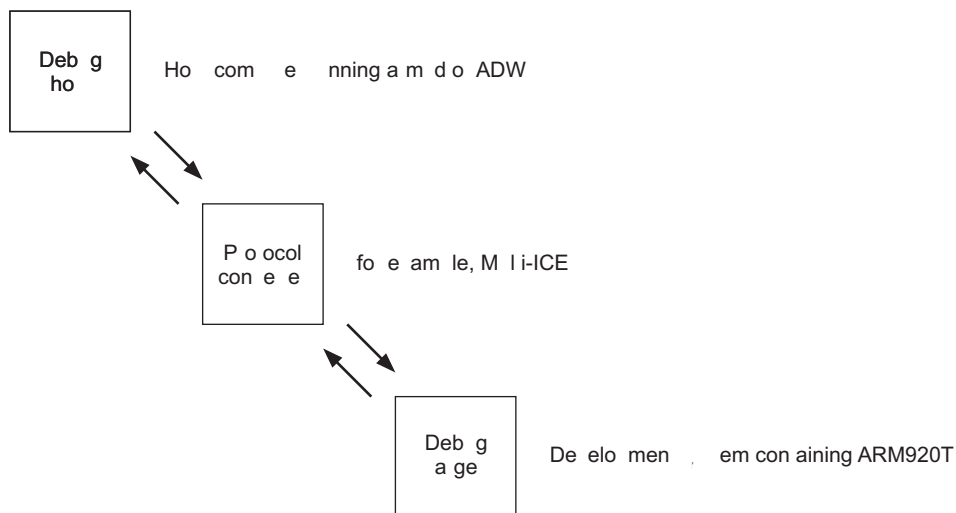


Figure 9-1 Typical debug system

This typical system has three parts:

- *The debug host* on page 9-3
- *The protocol converter* on page 9-4
- *The ARM920T processor* on page 9-4.

9.2.1 The debug host

The debug host is a computer, for example a personal computer, running a software debugger such as `armsd`, for example, or `ADW`. The debug host allows you to issue high-level commands such as *set breakpoint at location XX*, or *examine the contents of memory from 0x0 to 0x100*.

9.2.2 The protocol converter

The debug host is connected to the ARM920T development system using an interface (an RS232, for example). The messages broadcast over this connection must be converted to the interface signals of the ARM920T. This function is performed by a protocol converter, for example, Multi-ICE.

9.2.3 The ARM920T processor

The ARM920T processor, with hardware debug extensions, is the lowest level of the system. The debug extensions allow you to:

- stall the core from program execution
- examine its internal state and the state of the memory system
- resume program execution.

The debug host and the protocol converter are system-dependent.

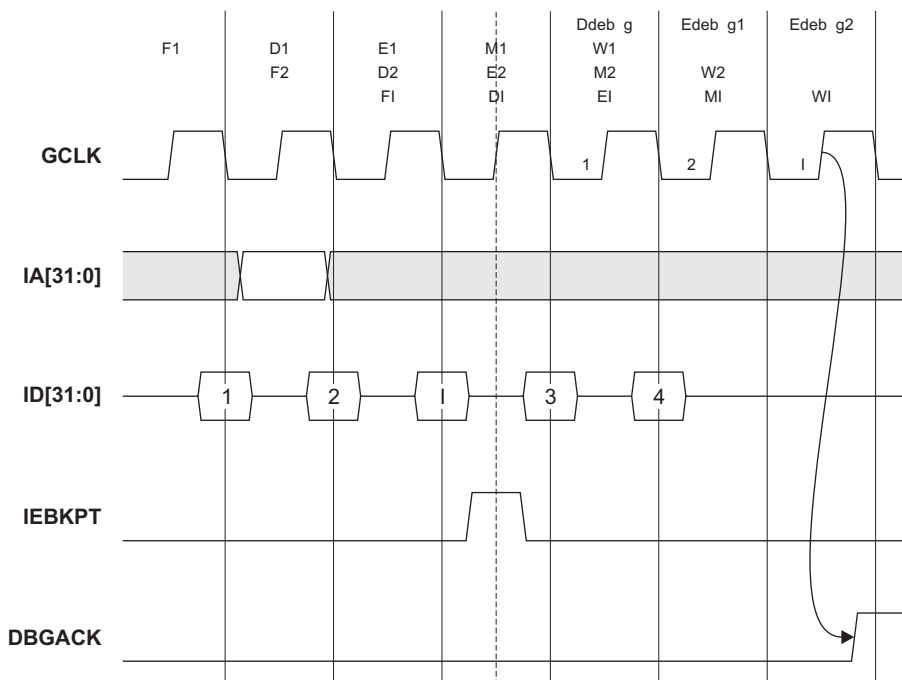
9.3 Debug interface signals

There are four primary external signals associated with the debug interface:

- **IEBKPT**, **DEWPT**, and **EDBGRQ**. The system can use these to ask the ARM920T to enter debug state.
- **DBGACK**. The ARM920T uses this signal to flag back to the system when it is in debug state.

9.3.1 Entry into debug state on breakpoint

Any instruction being fetched from memory is latched at the end of phase 2. To apply a breakpoint to that instruction, the breakpoint signal must be asserted by the end of the following phase 1. This minimizes the setup time, giving the EmbeddedICE macrocell an entire phase to perform the comparison. This is shown in Figure 9-2.



You can build external logic, such as additional breakpoint comparators, to extend the functionality of the EmbeddedICE macrocell. You must apply the external logic output to the **IEBKPT** input. This signal is ORed with the internally generated breakpoint signal before being applied to the ARM920T core control logic.

A breakpointed instruction is allowed to enter the Execute stage of the pipeline, but any state change as a result of the instruction is prevented. All writes from previous instructions complete as normal.

The Decode cycle of the debug entry sequence occurs during the Execute cycle of the breakpointed instruction. The latched breakpoint signal forces the processor to start the debug sequence.

9.3.2 Breakpoints and exceptions

A breakpointed instruction might have a Prefetch Abort associated with it. If so, the Prefetch Abort takes priority and the breakpoint is ignored. (If there is a Prefetch Abort, instruction data might be invalid, the breakpoint might have been data-dependent, and as the data might be incorrect, the breakpoint might have been triggered incorrectly.)

SWI and undefined instructions are treated in the same way as any other instruction that might have a breakpoint set on it. Therefore, the breakpoint takes priority over the SWI or undefined instruction.

On an instruction boundary, if there is a breakpointed instruction and an interrupt (**IRQ** or **FIQ**), the interrupt is taken and the breakpointed instruction is discarded. When the interrupt has been serviced, the execution flow is returned to the original program. This means that the instruction that has been breakpointed is fetched again, and if the breakpoint is still set, the processor enters debug state when it reaches the Execute stage of the pipeline.

When the processor has entered debug state, it is important that additional interrupts do not affect the instructions executed. For this reason, as soon as the processor enters debug state, interrupts are disabled, although the state of the I and F bits in the *Program Status Register* (PSR) are not affected.

9.3.3 Watchpoints

Entry into debug state following a watchpointed memory access is imprecise. This is necessary because of the nature of the pipeline and the timing of the watchpoint signal.

After a watchpointed access, the next instruction in the processor pipeline is always allowed to complete execution. Where this instruction is a single-cycle data-processing instruction, entry into debug state is delayed for one cycle while the instruction completes. The timing of debug entry following a watchpointed load in this case is shown in Figure 9-3 on page 9-8.

Note

Although instruction 5 enters the Execute state, it is not executed, and there is no state update as a result of this instruction. When the debugging session is complete, normal continuation involves a return to instruction 5, the next instruction in the code sequence to be executed.

The instruction following the instruction that generated the watchpoint might have modified the *Program Counter* (PC). If this happens, it is not possible to determine the instruction that caused the watchpoint. A timing diagram showing debug entry after a watchpoint where the next instruction is a branch is shown in Figure 9-4 on page 9-9. However, you can always restart the processor.

When the processor has entered debug state, the ARM920T core can be interrogated to determine its state. In the case of a watchpoint, the PC contains a value that is five instructions on from the address of the next instruction to be executed. Therefore, if on entry to debug state, in ARM state, the instruction `SUB PC, PC, #20` is scanned in and the processor restarted, execution flow returns to the next instruction in the code sequence.

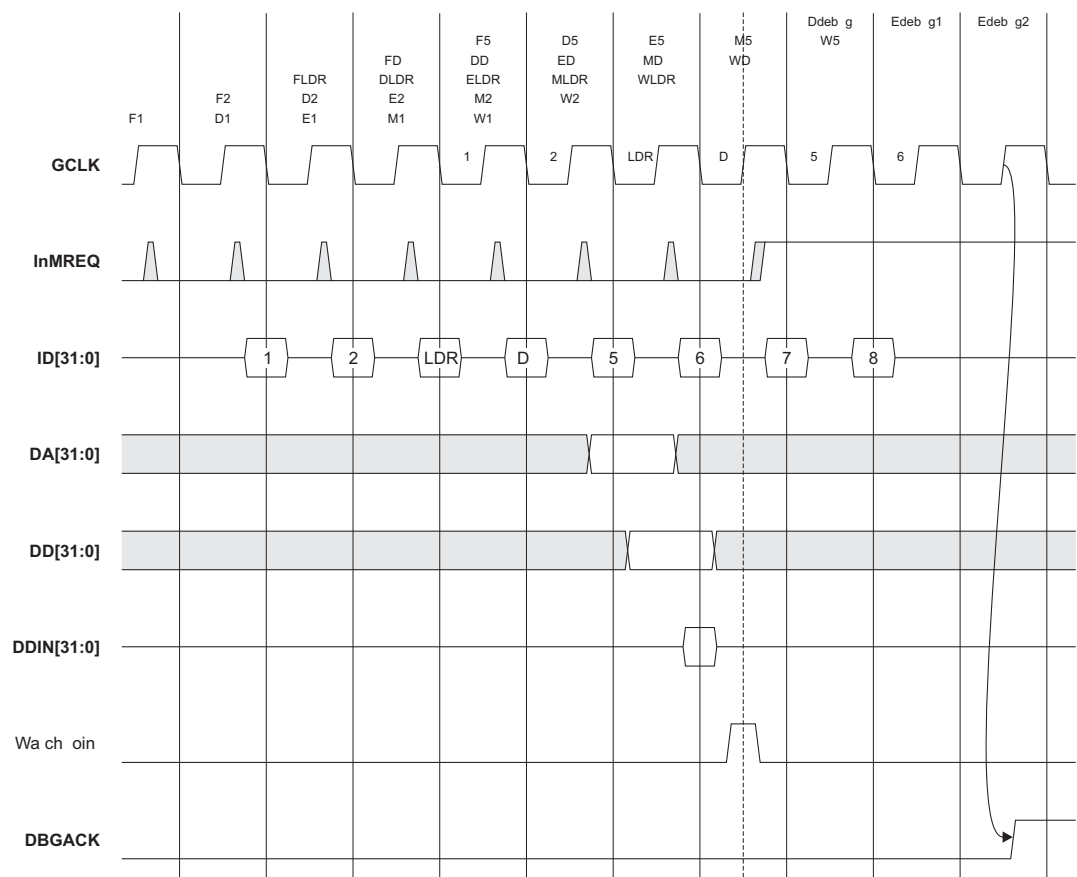


Figure 9-3 Watchpoint entry with data processing instruction

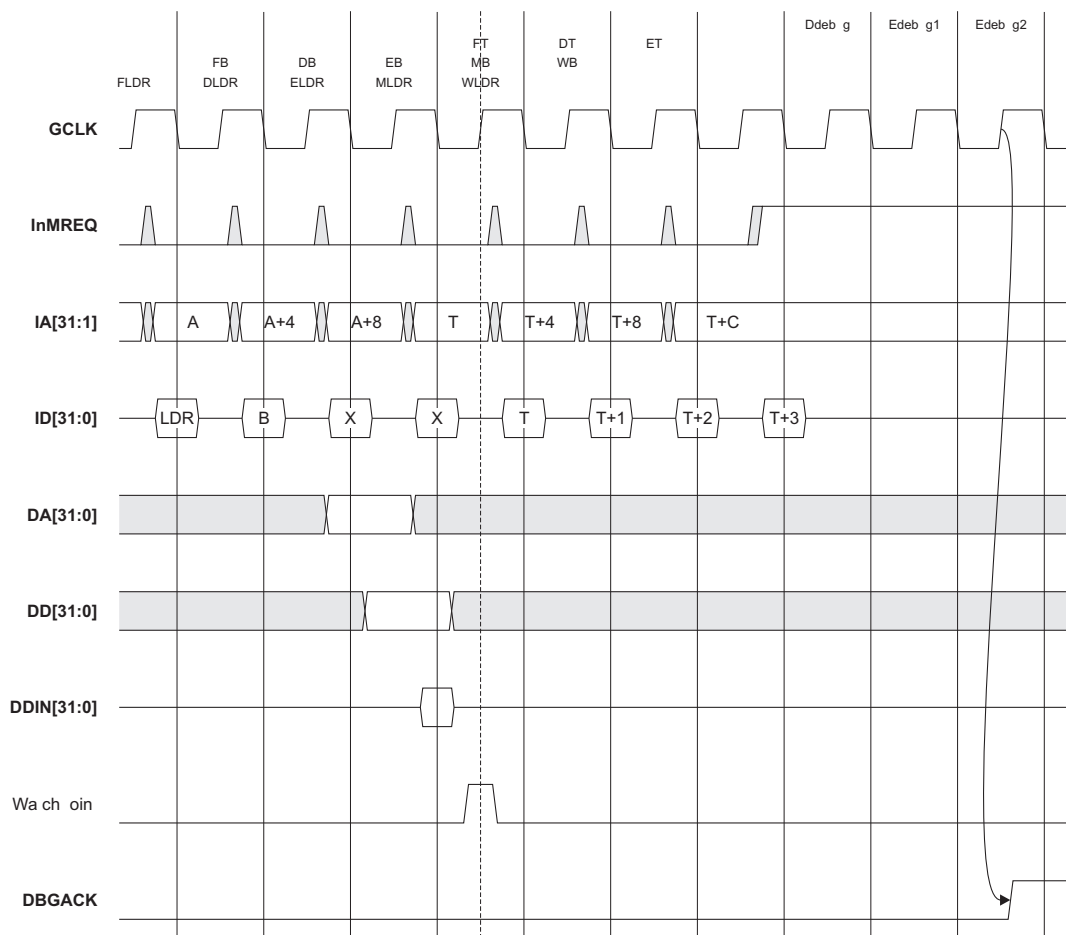


Figure 9-4 Watchpoint entry with branch

9.3.4 Watchpoints and exceptions

If there is an abort in the data access together with a watchpoint, the watchpoint condition is latched, the exception entry sequence performed, and then the processor enters debug state. If there is an interrupt pending, again the ARM920T processor allows the exception entry sequence to occur and then enters debug state.

9.3.5 Debug request

A debug request can take place through the EmbeddedICE macrocell or by asserting the **EDBGRQ** signal. The request is synchronized and passed to the processor. Debug request takes priority over any pending interrupt. Following synchronization, the core enters debug state when the instruction at the Execute stage of the pipeline has completely finished executing (when Memory and Write stages of the pipeline have completed). While waiting for the instruction to finish executing, no more instructions are issued to the Execute stage of the pipeline.

9.3.6 Actions of the ARM920T in debug state

When the ARM920T is in debug state, both memory interfaces indicate internal cycles. This allows the rest of the memory system to ignore the ARM9TDMI core and function as normal. Because the rest of the system continues operation, the ARM9TDMI core ignores aborts and interrupts.

The **BIGEND** signal must not be changed by the system while in debug state. If it changes there might be a synchronization problem, and the ARM920T (as seen by the programmer) changes without the knowledge of the debugger. The **BnRES** signal must also be held stable during debug. If the system applies reset to the ARM920T (**BnRES** is driven LOW), the state of the ARM920T changes without the knowledge of the debugger.

When instructions are executed in debug state, the ARM9TDMI core changes asynchronously to the memory system outputs (except for **InMREQ**, **ISEQ**, **DnMREQ**, and **DSEQ** that change synchronously from **GCLK**). For example, every time a new instruction is scanned into the pipeline, the instruction address bus changes. If the instruction is a load or store operation, the data address bus changes as the instruction executes. Although this is asynchronous, it does not affect the system, because both interfaces indicate internal cycles. You must take care when designing the memory controller to ensure that this does not become a problem.

9.4 Scan chains and JTAG interface

There are six scan chains inside the ARM920T processor. These allow testing, debugging, and programming of the EmbeddedICE macrocell watchpoint units. The scan chains are controlled by a JTAG-style *Test Access Port* (TAP) controller. In addition, support is provided for an optional seventh scan chain. This is intended to be used for an external boundary scan chain around the pads of a packaged device. The signals provided for this scan chain are described in *Scan chain 3* on page 9-30.

The six scan chains of the ARM920T processor are called scan chain 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 15.

Note

The ARM920T TAP controller supports 32 scan chains. Scan chains 0 to 15 have been reserved for use by ARM. Any extension scan chains must be implemented in the remaining space. The **SCREG[4:0]** signals indicate the scan chain being accessed.

9.5 The JTAG state machine

The process of serial test and debug is best explained in conjunction with the JTAG state machine. Figure 9-5 shows the state transitions that occur in the TAP controller.

The state numbers are also shown on the diagram. These are output from the ARM920T on the **TAPSM[3:0]** bits.

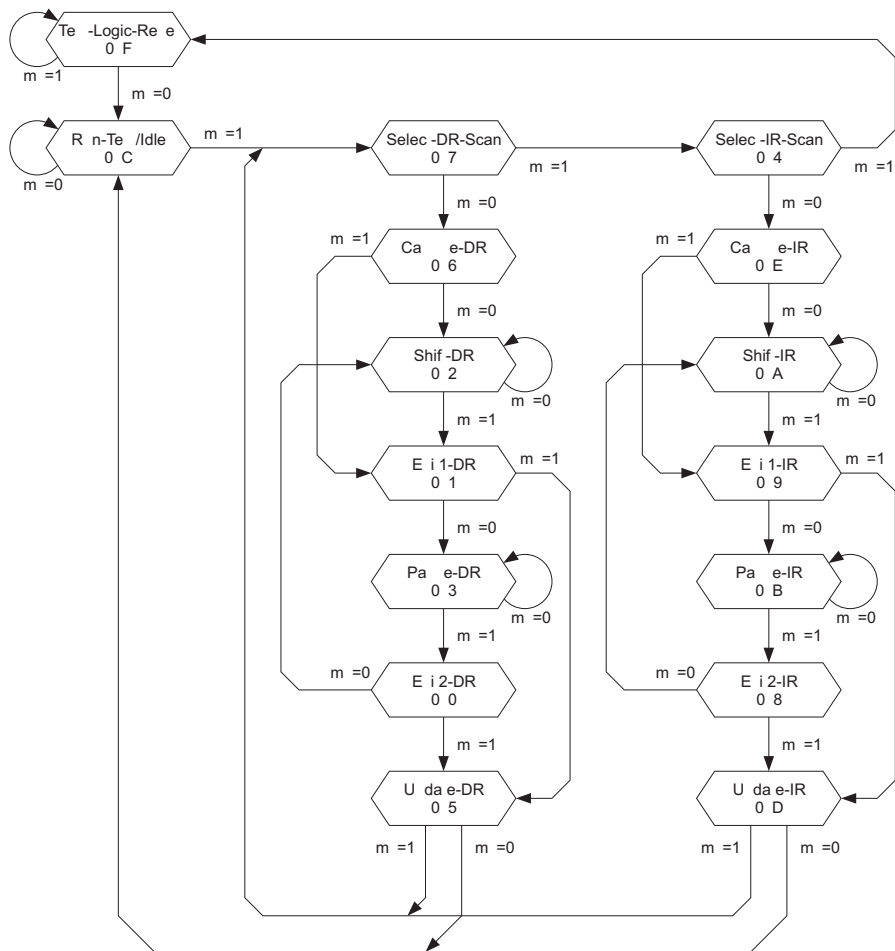


Figure 9-5 Test access port (TAP) controller state transitions¹

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9.5.1 Reset

The JTAG interface includes a state-machine controller, the TAP controller. 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, or the JTAG state machine must be cycled through the test logic reset state. Before the JTAG interface can be used, **nTRST** must be driven LOW, and then HIGH again. If you do not intend using the boundary scan interface, you can tie the **nTRST** input permanently LOW.

———— **Note** —————

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

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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 are clocked out of **TDO**.

9.5.2 Pullup resistors

The IEEE 1149.1 standard effectively requires **TDI** and **TMS** to have internal pullup resistors. In order to minimize static current draw, these resistors are *not* fitted to the ARM9TDMI core. Accordingly, the four inputs to the test interface (the **TDO**, **TDI**, and **TMS** signals, plus **TCK**) must all be driven to valid logic levels to achieve normal circuit operation.

9.5.3 Instruction register

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

9.5.4 Public instructions

Table 9-1 shows the public instructions that are supported.

Table 9-1 Public instructions	
Instruction	Binary code
EXTEST	0000
SCAN_N	0010
INTEST	1100
IDCODE	1110
BYPASS	1111
CLAMP	0101
HIGHZ	0111
CLAMPZ	1001
SAMPLE/PRELOAD	0011
RESTART	0100

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)

The selected scan chain is placed in test mode by the EXTEST instruction. The EXTEST instruction connects the selected scan chain between **TDI** and **TDO**.

When the instruction register is loaded with the EXTEST instruction, all the scan cells are placed in their test mode of operation.

In the CAPTURE-DR state, inputs from the system logic and outputs from the output scan cells to the system are captured by the scan cells.

In the SHIFT-DR state, the previously captured test data is shifted out of the scan chain on **TDO**, while new test data is shifted in on the **TDI** input. This data is applied immediately to the system logic and system pins.

SCAN_N (0010)

This instruction connects the scan path select register between **TDI** and **TDO**.

During the CAPTURE-DR state, the fixed value 10000 is loaded into the register.

BYPASS (1111)

The BYPASS instruction connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between **TDI** and **TDO**.

When the BYPASS 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.

In the CAPTURE-DR state, a logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.

In the SHIFT-DR state, test data is shifted into the bypass register on **TDI** and out on **TDO** after a delay of one **TCK** cycle. The first bit shifted out is a zero.

The bypass register is not affected in the UPDATE-DR state.

———— **Note** —————

All unused instruction codes default to the BYPASS instruction.

CLAMP (0101)

This instruction connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between **TDI** and **TDO**.

When the CLAMP 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.

———— **Note** —————

This instruction must only be used when scan chain 0 is the currently selected scan chain.

In the CAPTURE-DR state, a logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.

In the SHIFT-DR state, test data is shifted into the bypass register on **TDI** and out on **TDO** after a delay of one **TCK** cycle. The first bit shifted out is a zero.

The bypass register is not affected in the UPDATE-DR state.

HIGHZ (0111)

This instruction connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between **TDI** and **TDO**.

When the **HIGHZ** instruction is loaded into the instruction register and scan chain 0 is selected, all ARM920T outputs are driven to the high impedance state and the external **HIGHZ** signal is driven HIGH. This is as if the signal **TBE** had been driven LOW.

In the CAPTURE-DR state, a logic 0 is captured by the bypass register. In the SHIFT-DR state, test data is shifted into the bypass register on **TDI** and out on **TDO** after a delay of one **TCK** cycle. The first bit shifted out is a zero.

The bypass register is not affected in the UPDATE-DR state.

CLAMPZ (1001)

This instruction connects a 1-bit shift register (the bypass register) between **TDI** and **TDO**.

When the CLAMPZ instruction is loaded into the instruction register and scan chain 0 is selected, 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 logic 1.

In the CAPTURE-DR state, a logic 0 is captured by the bypass register.

In the SHIFT-DR state, test data is shifted into the bypass register on **TDI** and out on **TDO** after a delay of one **TCK** cycle. The first bit shifted out is a zero.

The bypass register is not affected in the UPDATE-DR state.

SAMPLE/PRELOAD (0011)

When the instruction register is loaded with the SAMPLE/PRELOAD instruction, all the scan cells of the selected scan chain are placed in the normal mode of operation.

In the CAPTURE-DR state, a snapshot of the signals of the boundary scan is taken on the rising edge of **TCK**. Normal system operation is unaffected.

In the SHIFT-DR state, the sampled test data is shifted out of the boundary scan on the **TDO** pin, while new data is shifted in on the **TDI** pin to preload the boundary scan parallel input latch. This data is not applied to the system logic or system pins while the SAMPLE/PRELOAD instruction is active.

This instruction must be used to preload the boundary scan register with known data prior to selecting **INTEST** or **EXTEST** instructions.

RESTART (0100)

This instruction is used to restart the processor on exit from debug state. The RESTART instruction connects the bypass register between **TDI** and **TDO** and the TAP controller behaves as if the BYPASS instruction is loaded. The processor resynchronizes back to the memory system when the RUN-TEST/IDLE state is entered.

9.6 Test data registers

You can connect the following test data registers between **TDI** and **TDO**:

- *Bypass register* on page 9-19
- *ARM920T device identification (ID) code register* on page 9-19
- *Instruction register* on page 9-20
- *Scan chain select register* on page 9-20
- *Scan chains 0, 1, 2, and 3* on page 9-23
- *Scan chain 6* on page 9-31
- *Scan chains 4 and 15, the ARM920T memory system* on page 9-31.

9.6.1 Bypass register

Purpose	Bypasses the device during scan testing by providing a path between TDI and TDO .
Length	1 bit.
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 CAPTURE-DR state.

9.6.2 ARM920T device identification (ID) code register

Purpose	Reads the 32-bit device identification code. No programmable supplementary identification code is provided.
Length	32 bits.
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 identification code is loaded into the register from the parallel inputs of the TAPID[31:0] input bus during the CAPTURE-DR state.

The IEEE format of the ID register is shown in Table 9-2.

Table 9-2 ID code register

Bits	Function	Value
31:28	Specification revision	0x1
27:12	Product code	0x0920
11:1	Manufacturer	Default = 0b11110000111
0	IEEE standard specified	0b1

The **TAPID[31:0]** pins allow you to set this value when the macrocell is instantiated in a design.

9.6.3 Instruction register

Purpose	Changes the current TAP instruction.
Length	4 bits.
Operating mode	When in SHIFT-IR state, the instruction register is selected as the serial path between TDI and TDO .

During the CAPTURE-IR state, the value b0001 is loaded into this register. This is shifted out during SHIFT-IR (least significant bit first), while a new instruction is shifted in (least significant bit first). During the UPDATE-IR state, the value in the instruction register becomes the current instruction. On reset, IDCODE becomes the current instruction.

9.6.4 Scan chain select register

Purpose	Changes the current active scan chain.
Length	5 bits.
Operating mode	After SCAN_N has been selected as the current instruction, when in 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 b10000 is loaded into this register. This is shifted out during SHIFT-DR, least significant bit first, while a new value is shifted in, least significant bit first.

During the UPDATE-DR state, the value in the register selects a scan chain to become the currently active scan chain. All additional 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[4:0]** output bus. You can use the TAP controller to drive external scan chains in addition to those within the ARM920T macrocell. The external scan chain must be assigned a number and control signals for it, and can be derived from **SCREG[4:0]**, **IR[3:0]**, **TAPSM[3:0]**, **TCK1**, and **TCK2**.

The list of scan chain numbers allocated by ARM are shown in Table 9-3 on page 9-23. An external scan chain can take any other number. The serial data stream applied to the external scan chain is made present on **SDIN**. The serial data back from the scan chain must be presented to the TAP controller on the **SDOUTBS** input.

The scan chain present between **SDIN** and **SDOUTBS** is 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, you must build a multiplexor externally to apply the desired scan chain output to **SDOUTBS**. You can control the multiplexor by decoding **SCREG[4:0]**. The structure is shown in Figure 9-6 on page 9-22.

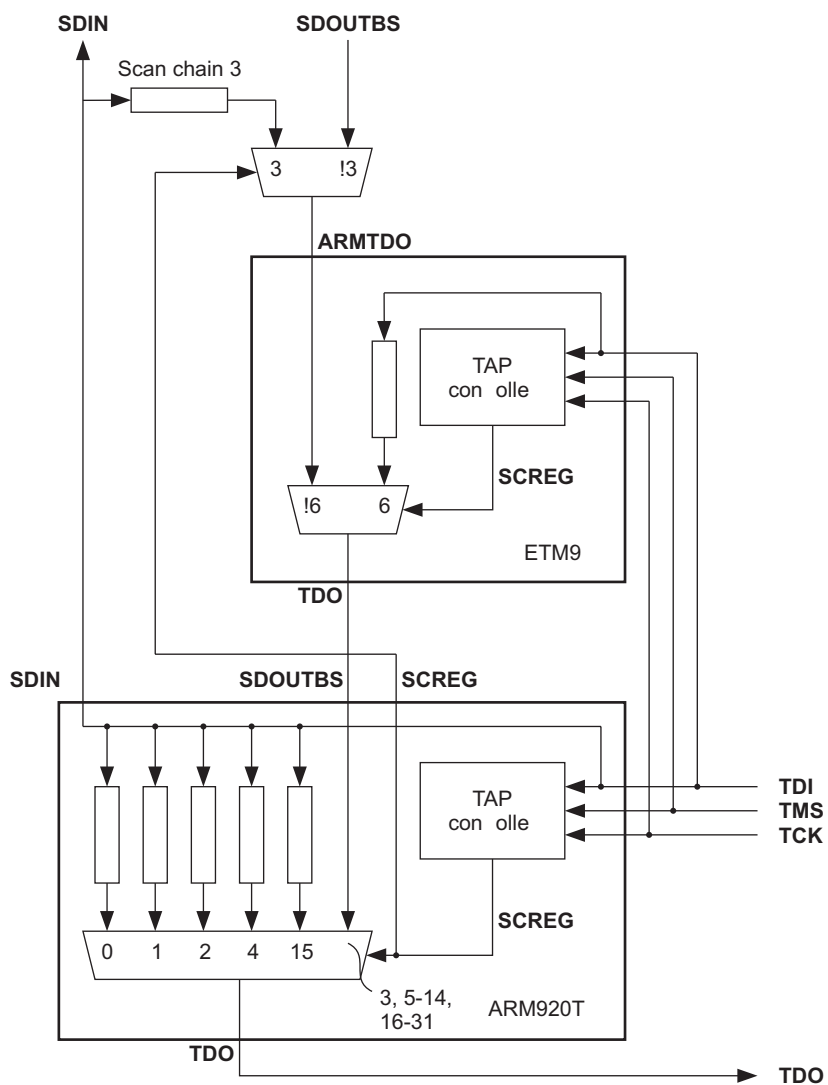


Figure 9-6 External scan chain multiplexor

Scan chain number allocations are shown in Table 9-3.

Table 9-3 Scan chain number allocation

Scan chain number	Function
0	ARM9TDMI macrocell scan test
1	Debug
2	EmbeddedICE programming
3	External boundary scan
4	Physical address TAG RAM
5	Reserved
6	ETM9
7:14	Reserved
15	Coprocessor 15
16:31	Unassigned

9.6.5 Scan chains 0, 1, 2, and 3

These scan chains allow serial access to the core logic, and to the EmbeddedICE macrocell for programming purposes. Each scan cell can perform two basic functions:

- capture
- shift.

Scan chain 0

Purpose	Primarily for inter-device testing (EXTEST), and testing the ARM9TDMI core (INTEST). Scan chain 0 is selected using the SCAN_N instruction.
Length	184 bits.

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

- During CAPTURE-DR, the current outputs from the core 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, applying known stimuli to the inputs.
- During RUN-TEST/IDLE, the core is clocked. Normally, the TAP controller only spends one cycle in RUN-TEST/IDLE. The whole operation can then be repeated.

EXTEST allows inter-device testing, useful for verifying the connections between devices in the design. 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 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, applying known values on the core outputs.
- During RUN-TEST/IDLE, the core is not clocked.

The operation can then be repeated.

The bit order of scan chain 0 is shown in Table 9-4.

Table 9-4 Scan chain 0 bit order

No.	Signal	Direction
1	ID[0]	Input
2	ID[1]	Input
3:31	ID[2:30]	Input
32	ID[31]	Input
33	SYSSPEED	Internal
34	WPTANDBKPT	Internal
35	DDEN	Output
36	DD[31]	Bidirectional
37	DD[30]	Bidirectional

Table 9-4 Scan chain 0 bit order (continued)

No.	Signal	Direction
38:66	DD[29:1]	Bidirectional
67	DD[0]	Bidirectional
68	DA[31]	Output
69	DA[30]	Output
70:98	DA[29:1]	Output
99	DA[0]	Output
100	IA[31]	Output
101	IA[30]	Output
102:129	IA[29:2]	Output
130	IA[1]	Output
131	IEBKPT	Input
132	DEWPT	Input
133	EDBGRQ	Input
134	EXTERN0	Input
135	EXTERN1	Input
136	COMMRX	Output
137	COMMTX	Output
138	DBGACK	Output
139	RANGEOUT0	Output
140	RANGEOUT1	Output
141	DBGRQI	Output
142	DDBE	Input
143	InMREQ	Output
144	DnMREQ	Output
145	DnRW	Output

Table 9-4 Scan chain 0 bit order (continued)

No.	Signal	Direction
146	DMAS[1]	Output
147	DMAS[0]	Output
148	PASS	Output
149	LATECANCEL	Output
150	ITBIT	Output
151	InTRANS	Output
152	DnTRANS	Output
153	nRESET	Input
154	nWAIT	Input
155	IABORT	Input
156	IABE	Input
157	DABORT	Input
158	DABE	Input
159	nFIQ	Input
160	nIRQ	Input
161	ISYNC	Input
162	BIGEND	Input
163	HIVECS	Input
164	CHSD[1]	Input
165	CHSD[0]	Input
166	CHSE[1]	Input
167	CHSE[0]	Input
168	Reserved	-
169	ISEQ	Output
170	InM[4]	Output

Table 9-4 Scan chain 0 bit order (continued)

No.	Signal	Direction
171	InM[3]	Output
172	InM[2]	Output
173	InM[1]	Output
174	InM[0]	Output
175	DnM[4]	Output
176	DnM[3]	Output
177	DnM[2]	Output
178	DnM[1]	Output
179	DnM[0]	Output
180	DSEQ	Output
181	DMORE	Output
182	DLOCK	Output
183	ECLK	Output
184	INSTREXEC	Output

Scan chain 1

- Purpose

Primarily for debugging. Scan chain 1 is selected using the SCAN_N TAP controller instruction.
- Length

67 bits.

The bit functions of scan chain 1 are shown in Table 9-5.

Table 9-5 Scan chain 1 bit function

Bit	Function
67:36	Data values DD[0:31]
35:33	Control bits DDEN , WPTANDBKPT , and SYSSPEED
32:1	Instruction data ID[31:0]

This scan chain is 67 bits long, 32 bits for data values, 32 bits for instruction data, and three control bits, SYSSPEED, WPTANDBKPT, and **DDEN**. The three control bits serve four different purposes:

- Under normal INTEST test conditions, the **DDEN** signal can be captured and examined.
- During EXTEST conditions, a known value can be scanned into **DDEN** to be driven into the rest of the system. If a logic 1 is scanned into **DDEN**, the data data bus **DD[31:0]** drives out the values stored in its scan cells. If a logic 0 is scanned into **DDEN**, **DD[31:0]** captures the current input values.
- While debugging, the value placed in the SYSSPEED control bit determines whether the ARM920T synchronizes back to system speed before executing the instruction.
- After the ARM920T has entered debug state, the first time SYSSPEED is captured and scanned out, its value tells the debugger whether the core has entered debug state due to a breakpoint (SYSSPEED LOW), or a watchpoint (SYSSPEED HIGH). You can have a watchpoint and breakpoint condition occur simultaneously. When a watchpoint condition occurs, the WPTANDBKPT bit must be examined by the debugger to determine whether the instruction currently in the execute stage of the pipeline is breakpointed. If so, WPTANDBKPT is HIGH, otherwise it is LOW.

Scan chain 2

Purpose	Allows access to the EmbeddedICE hardware registers. The order of the scan chain from TDI to TDO is: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• read/write• register address bits 4 to 0• data values bits 31 to 0.
Length	38 bits.

Table 9-6 shows the bit functions of scan chain 2.

Table 9-6 Scan chain 2 bit function

Bit	Function
37	Read = 0 Write = 1
36:32	EmbeddedICE address register
31:0	Data values

To access this serial register, scan chain 2 must first be selected using 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 hardware register to be accessed.
- During UPDATE-DR, this register is either read or written depending on the value of bit 37 (0 = read).

Scan chain 3

Purpose Allows the ARM920T to control an external boundary scan chain.

Length User-defined.

Scan chain 3 is provided so that you can control an optional external boundary scan chain using the ARM920T. Typically this is used for a scan chain around the pad ring of a packaged device. The following control signals are provided, and are generated only when scan chain 3 is selected. These outputs are inactive at all other times:

DRIVEOUTBS This switches the scan cells from system mode to test mode. This signal is asserted whenever the **INTEST**, **EXTEST**, **CLAMP**, or **CLAMPZ** instruction is selected.

PCLKBS This is the update clock, generated in the **UPDATE-DR** state. Typically the value scanned into the chain is transferred to the cell output on the rising edge of this signal.

ICAPCLKBS, ECAPCLKBS

These are the capture clocks used to sample data into the scan cells during **INTEST** and **EXTEST** respectively. These clocks are generated in the **CAPTURE-DR** state.

SHCLK1BS, SHCLK2BS

These are non-overlapping clocks generated in the **SHIFT-DR** state that are 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**.

nHIGHZ You can use this signal 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.

In addition to these control outputs, **SDIN** output and **SDOUTBS** input are also provided. When an external scan chain is in use, **SDOUTBS** must be connected to the serial data output and **SDIN** must be connected to the serial data input.

9.6.6 Scan chain 6

Purpose	You use scan chain 6 to program the registers in the ETM9.
Length	The chain length is 40 bits, comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a 32-bit data field • a 7-bit address field • a read/write bit.

To write an ETM9 register:

- the data to be written is placed in the data field
- the register address is in the address field
- the read/write bit is set to 1.

To read an ETM9 register:

- the data field is ignored
- the register address is in the address field
- the read/write bit is set to 0.

The ETM9 registers are read or written when the TAP controller enters the UPDATE-DR state.

For more details of the ETM9 registers, see the *ETM9 (Rev1) Technical Reference Manual*.

9.6.7 Scan chains 4 and 15, the ARM920T memory system

On entry to debug state, the debugger must extract and save the state of CP15. It is advisable that the caches and MMUs are then switched off to prevent any debug accesses to memory altering their state. At this point, the debugger can non-invasively determine the state of the memory system. When in debug state, the debugger can see the state of the ARM920T memory system. This includes:

- CP15
- caches
- MMU
- PA TAG RAM.

Scan chains 4 and 15 are reserved for this use.

Scan chain 15

This scan chain is 40 bits long. The format of the scan chain is dependent on the access mode used. The formats for both modes for scan chain 15 are shown in Table 9-7.

Table 9-7 Scan chain 15 format and access modes

Scan chain bit	Interpreted access mode		Physical access mode	
	Function	Read/write	Function	Read/write
39	0	Write	nR/W	Write
38:33	000000	Write	Register address	Write
32:1	Instruction word	Write	Register value	Read/write
0	0	Write	1	Write

With scan chain 15 selected, **TDI** is connected to bit 39 and **TDO** is connected to bit 0. An access using this scan chain allows all of the CP15 registers to be read and written, the cache CAM and RAM to be read, and the TLB CAM and RAM to be read. There are two access modes available using scan chain 15. These are:

- *Physical access mode*
- *Interpreted access mode* on page 9-34.

Physical access mode

You can do a physical access mode operation using scan chain 15 as follows:

1. In SHIFT-DR, shift in the read/write bit, register address and register value for writing, shown in Table 9-8 on page 9-33.
2. Move through UPDATE-DR. For a write, the register is updated here.
3. For reading, return to SHIFT-DR through CAPTURE-DR and shift out the register value.

Table 9-8 shows the bit format for scan chain 15 physical access mode operations.

Table 9-8 Scan chain 15 physical access mode bit format

Scan chain bit	Function	Read/write
39	nR/W	Write
38:33	Register address	Write
32:1	Register value	Read/write
0	1	Write

The mapping of the 6-bit register address field to the CP15 registers for physical access mode is shown in Table 9-9.

Table 9-9 Physical access mapping to CP15 registers

Address			Register		
[38]	[37:34]	[33]	Number	Name	Type
0	0x0	0	C0	ID register	Read
0	0x0	1	C0	Cache type	Read
0	0x1	0	C1	Control	Read/write
0	0x9	0	C9	Data cache lockdown	Read
0	0x9	1	C9	Instruction cache lockdown	Read
0	0xD	0	C13	Process ID	Read/write
0	0xF	0	C15.State	Test state	Read/write
1	0xD	1	C15.C.I.Ind	Instruction cache index	Read
1	0xE	1	C15.C.D.Ind	Data cache index	Read
1	0x1	1	C15.C.I	Instruction cache	Read/write
1	0x2	1	C15.C.D	Data cache	Read/write
1	0x5	0	C15.M.I	Instruction MMU	Read
1	0x6	0	C15.M.D	Data MMU	Read

Interpreted access mode

You can do an interpreted access mode operation using scan chain 15 as follows:

1. A physical access read-modify-write to C15 (test state) must be done in order to set bit 0, CP15 interpret.
2. The required MCR/MRC instruction word is shifted in to scan chain 15.
3. A system-speed LDR (read) or STR (write) is performed on the ARM9TDMI.
4. CP15 responds to this LDR/STR by executing the coprocessor instruction in its scan chain.
5. In the case of a LDR, the data is returned to the ARM9TDMI and can be captured onto scan chain 1 by performing an STR.
6. In the case of an STR, the interpreted MCR completes with the data that is issued from the ARM9TDMI.
7. A physical access read-modify-write to C15 (test state) must be done in order to clear CP15 interpret, bit 0.

Table 9-10 shows the bit format for scan chain 15 interpreted access mode operations.

Table 9-10 Scan chain 15 interpreted access mode bit format

Scan chain bit	Function	Read/ write
39	0	Write
38:33	000000	Write
32:1	Instruction word	Write
0	0	Write

The mapping of the 32-bit instruction word field to the remaining CP15 registers supported for interpreted access mode is shown in Table 9-11 on page 9-35, Table 9-12 on page 9-36, and Table 9-13 on page 9-36. This supported subset is used for cache and MMU debug operations. Using interpreted accesses for other CP15 register operations produces UNPREDICTABLE behavior. The construction of a CP15 instruction word from ARM assembler is shown in Figure 2-1 on page 2-7.

For the MCR, Rd has been replaced by r0, because the register being used as the source data is governed by the STR. For the MRC, Rd has been replaced by r0, because the register being used as the destination is governed by the LDR.

The mapping of the 32-bit instruction word field to the remaining CP15 registers for interpreted access mode is shown in Table 9-11. The construction of a CP15 instruction word from ARM assembler is shown in *CP15 register map summary* on page 2-5.

Table 9-11 Interpreted access mapping to CP15 registers

ARM920T instruction	Function	Rd	Ra	CP15 instruction
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write I TTB	TTB	-	MCR p15,5,r0,c15,c1,2
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read I TTB	TTB	-	MRC p15,5,r0,c15,c1,2
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write D TTB	TTB	-	MCR p15,5,r0,c15,c2,2
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read D TTB	TTB	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c2,c2,2
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write I DAC	DAC	-	MCR p15,5,r0,c15,c1,3
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read I DAC	DAC	-	MRC p15,5,r0,c15,c1,3
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write D DAC	DAC	-	MCR p15,5,r0,c15,c2,3
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read D DAC	DAC	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c3,c0,0
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write I FSR	FSR	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c5,c0,1
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read I FSR	FSR	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c5,c0,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write D FSR	FSR	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c5,c0,0
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read D FSR	FSR	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c5,c0,0
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write I FAR	FAR	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c6,c0,1
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read I FAR	FAR	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c6,c0,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write D FAR	FAR	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c6,c0,0
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read D FAR	FAR	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c6,c0,0
STR Rd,[Ra]	ICache invalidate all	-	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c7,c5,0
STR Rd,[Ra]	ICache invalidate entry	-	Tag, Seg	MCR p15,0,r0,c7,c5,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	DCache invalidate all	-	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c7,c6,0
STR Rd,[Ra]	DCache invalidate entry	-	Tag ,Seg	MCR p15,0,r0,c7,c6,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write ICache victim	-	Victim, Seg	MCR p15,0,r0,c9,c1,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write DCache victim	-	Victim, Seg	MCR p15,0,r0,c9,c1,0

Table 9-11 Interpreted access mapping to CP15 registers (continued)

ARM920T instruction	Function	Rd	Ra	CP15 instruction
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write ICache victim and lockdown base	-	Victim	MCR p15,0,r0,c9,c0,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write DCache victim and lockdown base	-	Victim	MCR p15,0,r0,c9,c0,0
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write I TLB lockdown	Base,Victim	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c10,c0,1
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read I TLB lockdown	Base,Victim	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c10,c0,1
STR Rd,[Ra]	Write D TLB lockdown	Base,Victim	-	MCR p15,0,r0,c10,c0,0
LDR Rd,[Ra]	Read D TLB lockdown	Base,Victim	-	MRC p15,0,r0,c10,c0,0

Table 9-12 Interpreted access mapping to the MMU

ARM920T instruction	Function	Rd/Rlist	Ra	CP15 instruction
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	I CAM Read	MVA Tag, Size, V, P	-	MCR p15,4,r0,c15,c5,4
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	I RAM1 Read	Protection	-	MCR p15,4,r0,c15,c9,4
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	I RAM2 Read	PA Tag, Size	-	MCR p15,4,r0,c15,c1,5
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	D CAM Read	MVA Tag, Size, V, P	-	MCR p15,4,r0,c15,c6,4
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	D RAM1 Read	Protection	-	MCR p15,4,r0,c15,c10,4
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	D RAM2 Read	PA Tag, Size	-	MCR p15,4,r0,c15,c2,5

Table 9-13 Interpreted access mapping to the caches

ARM920T instruction	Function	Rd/Rlist	Ra	CP15 instruction
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	I CAM Read	Tag, Seg, Dirty	Seg	MCR p15,2,r0,c15,c5,2
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	I RAM Read	Data	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,r0,c15,c9,2
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	D CAM Read	Tag, Seg ,Dirty	Seg	MCR p15,2,r0,c15,c6,2
LDR Rd,[Ra] or LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]	D RAM Read	Data	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,r0,c15,c10,2

Debug access to the MMU

This is achieved through scan chain 1 and 15, using the physical access and interpreted access modes. The following steps explain how to read the Data TLB

1. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 1, to turn off both the caches and MMU.
2. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 15, to set MMU test and CP15 interpret mode.
3. Interpreted access: LDR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = Read D TLB lockdown. This will read the Base and Victim to Rd.
4. Physical access: Read-modify-write CP15 register 15 to clear CP 15 interpret mode.
5. STR of Rd loaded in step (3). Capture on scan chain 1 and shift out.
6. Physical access: Read-modify-write CP15 register 15 to set CP15 interpret mode.
7. Interpreted access: STR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = Write D TLB lockdown, where Rd = Base[read in (3)], Victim[=0].
8. Interpreted access: 8 word LDM, LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]. MCR = D CAM Read. The CAM Read will increment the victim pointer on every access, so this will read entries 0-7.
9. Physical access: Read-modify-write CP15 register 15 to clear CP 15 interpret mode.
10. 8 word STM of the values loaded in step (6). Capture these on scan chain 1 and shift out. These 8 values are the CAM Tag for entries 0-7.
11. Physical access: Read-modify-write CP15 register 15 to set CP15 interpret mode.
12. Repeat steps (8) to (11) eight times to read entries 0-63.
13. Interpreted access: STR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = Write D TLB lockdown, where Rd = Base[read in step (3)], Victim[=0].
14. Interpreted access: LDR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = D RAM1 Read. The RAM1 Read will increment the victim pointer on every access as MMU test in cp15, register 15, Test State register has been set.
15. Interpreted access: LDR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = D RAM2 Read. This uses a pipelined version of the last RAM1 read.

16. Physical access: Read-modify-write CP15 register 15 to clear CP 15 interpret mode.
17. 2 word STM of the values loaded in steps (10) and (11). Capture these on scan chain 1 and shift out. These 2 values are RAM1 and RAM2 from entry 0.
18. Physical access: Read-modify-write CP15 register 15 to set CP15 interpret mode.
19. Repeat steps (14) to (18) 64 times to read RAM1 and RAM2 entries 0-63.
20. Interpreted access: STR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = Write D TLB lockdown, where Rd = Base[read in step (3)], Victim[read in step (3)].
21. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 15, to clear MMU test and CP15 interpret mode.
22. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 1, to turn on (restore state of) both the caches and MMU.

Debug access to the caches

This is achieved through scan chain 1 and 15, using the physical access and interpreted access modes. The following steps explain how to read the DCache. They assume you are trying to read the contents of segment 2 of the DCache.

1. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 1, to turn off both the caches and MMU.
2. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 15, to set CP15 interpret mode.
3. Interpreted access: LDR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = D CAM Read, where Ra = Seg2. This will cause the current victim for segment 2 to be read into C15.C.D.Ind.
4. Physical access: Read C15.C.D.Ind which contains the victim of segment 2.
5. Interpreted access: STR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = Write DCache victim, where Ra = Victim0, Seg2. This sets the victim counter to 0 for segment 2, and configures the counter to increment after a CAM read or write. The Base remains unchanged.
6. Interpreted access: 8 word LDM, LDMIA Ra,[Rlist]. MCR = D RAM Read, where Ra = seg2, word0. The LDMIA will increment the word part of the address and move across the cache line from word0 to word7.
7. Interpreted access: LDR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = D CAM Read, where Ra = Seg2.
8. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 15, to clear CP15 interpret mode.

- 9. 9 word STM of the values loaded in (6) and (7). Capture these on scan chain 1 and shift out. These 9 values are the CAM Tag and RAM cache line data for segment 2, index 0.
- 10. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 15, to set CP15 interpret mode.
- 11. Increment the victim (+1) and repeat steps (5) to (10) 64 times. This approach avoids using the auto increment capability of the victim counter. If the auto increment capability is used, the victim counter will loop back to the Base value when it reaches 63, so either the Victim must start at 0, or the Base must be read, set to 0, then restored after reading the memory. By starting the victim at 0, repeat steps (6) to (10) 64 times.
- 12. Interpreted access: STR Rd,[Ra]. MCR = Write DCache victim, where Ra = Victim, Seg2. The Victim value should be the value read and saved in step (5).
- 13. Repeat steps (3) to (12) for each segment.
- 14. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 15, to clear CP15 interpret mode.
- 15. Physical access: Read-modify-write cp15, register 1, to turn on (restore state of) both the caches and MMU.

Scan chain 4 - debug access to the PA TAG RAM

This scan chain is 49 bits long, as shown in Table 9-14.

Table 9-14 Scan chain 4 format

Scan chain bit	Function	Read/write
48	PA TAG sel TCK	Write
47	RAM enable	Write
46	Odd not even	Write
45:40	Scan index [5:0]	Write
39:33	Scan seg [6:0]	Write
32	PA TAG sync TCK	Read
31:0	WBPA	Read

With scan chain 4 selected, **TDI** is connected to bit 48 and **TDO** is connected to bit 0. An access using this scan chain allows the physical address TAG RAM to be read.

Figure 9-7 shows the construction of write back physical addresses.

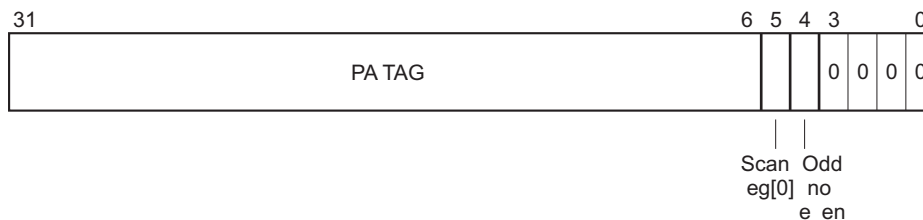


Figure 9-7 Write back physical address format

Note

Although Scan Seg [6:0] is provided, only bits [2:0] are used in ARM920T to address segments 0-7. Bits [6:3] are defined for forwards compatibility.

To read an entry in the PA TAG RAM, you must execute the following sequence:

1. Write:
 - PA TAG sel **TCK** = 1
 - RAM enable = 0.

This synchronizes the PA TAG RAM to **TCK**, the test clock.
2. Read PA TAG sync **TCK** until it is 1.

This confirms that the PA TAG RAM is synchronized to **TCK**.
3. Write:
 - PA TAG sel **TCK** = 1
 - RAM enable = 1
 - odd not even
 - scan index bits [5:0]
 - scan seg bits [2:0].

4. Go through the UPDATE-DR state of the ARM920T TAP controller three times. The most efficient way of doing this, after doing the write in step 3 is to go through the following sequence. This avoids rewriting the values in step 3 on each iteration:
 - a. EXIT1-DR
 - b. UPDATE-DR
 - c. SELECT-DR-SCAN
 - d. CAPTURE-DR
 - e. Repeat (a) to (d) x 2
 - f. SHIFT-DR.

The PA TAG RAM requires three clock cycles to perform the read. Its clock is cycled in UPDATE-DR, and therefore this state must be passed through three times.

5. Read the *Write Back Physical Address* (WBPA).
6. Write:
 - PA TAG sel **TCK** = 0
 - RAM enable = 0.
 Resynchronize the PA TAG RAM to the system clock.
7. Read PA TAG sync **TCK** until it is 0. This confirms that resynchronization has occurred.

You must repeat this sequence of steps (1 to 7) for the eight segments, corresponding to the eight DCache segments, and the 64 entries per segment, corresponding to the 64 entries in each DCache segment.

9.7 ARM920T core clocks

The ARM9TDMI core has two clocks:

- the memory clock **GCLK**
- an internally **TCK** generated clock, **DCLK**.

During normal operation, the core is clocked by **GCLK**, and internal logic holds **DCLK** LOW. When the ARM920T is in the debug state, the core is clocked by **DCLK** under control of the TAP state machine, and **GCLK** can free run. The selected clock is output on the **ECLK** signal for use by the external system.

———— **Note** —————

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

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The two cases where the clocks switch are:

- during debugging
- during testing.

9.8 Clock switching during debug

When the ARM9TDMI core enters debug state, it must switch from **GCLK** to **DCLK**. This is handled automatically by logic in the ARM9TDMI core. On entry to debug state, the ARM9TDMI asserts **DBGACK** in the HIGH phase of **GCLK**. The switch between the two clocks occurs on the next falling edge of **GCLK** as shown in Figure 9-8.

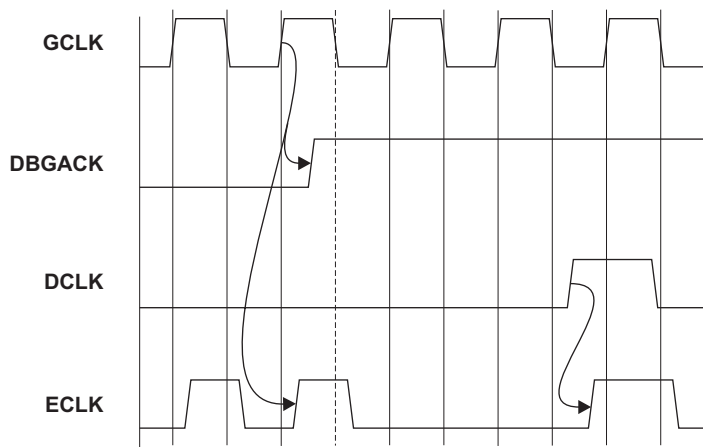


Figure 9-8 Clock switching on entry to debug state

The ARM9TDMI core 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 **GCLK**. You must do this in the following sequence:

1. Shift the final instruction of the debug sequence into the instruction data bus scan chain, and clock it in by asserting **DCLK**. At this point, clock RESTART into the TAP controller register.
2. The ARM9TDMI core now automatically resynchronizes back to **GCLK** when the TAP controller enters the RUN-TEST/IDLE mode and starts fetching instructions from memory at **GCLK** speed. For more information, see *Exit from debug state* on page 9-48.

9.9 Clock switching during test

Under serial test conditions, when test patterns are being applied to the core through the JTAG interface, the ARM9TDMI CPU core must be clocked using **DCLK**. Entry into test is less automatic than debug and some care must be taken.

On the way into test, **GCLK** must be held LOW. You can now use the TAP controller to perform serial testing on the ARM9TDMI core. If scan chain 0 and INTEST are selected, **DCLK** is generated while the state machine is in RUN-TEST/IDLE state.

During EXTEST, **DCLK** is not generated.

On exit from test, you must select RESTART as the TAP controller instruction. When this is done, you can allow **GCLK** to resume. After INTEST testing, you must take care to ensure that the core is in a sensible state before switching back. The safest way to do this is either:

- select RESTART and then cause a system reset
- insert `MOV PC, #0` into the instruction pipeline before switching back.

9.10 Determining the core state and system state

When the ARM9TDMI core is in debug state, you can examine the core state and system state. You can do this by forcing load and store multiples into the pipeline.

Before you can examine the core state and system state, the debugger must first determine whether the processor entered debug from Thumb state or ARM state. You can do this by examining bit 4 of the EmbeddedICE macrocell debug status register. If this is HIGH, the core is in Thumb state. If it is LOW, the core is in ARM state.

9.10.1 Determining the core state

If the processor has entered debug state from Thumb state, it is easiest for the debugger to force the core back into ARM state. When this is done, the debugger can execute the same sequence of instructions to determine the processor state.

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

```
STR R0, [R1]    ; Save R0 before use
MOV R0, PC      ; Copy PC into R0
STR R0, [R1]    ; Save the PC in R0
BX PC           ; Jump into ARM state
MOV R8, R8      ; NOP (no operation)
MOV R8, R8      ; NOP
```

The above use of R1 as the base register for stores is for illustration only. You can use any register.

Because all Thumb instructions are only 16 bits long, you can duplicate the instruction in the instruction data bus bits, when shifting them into scan chain 1. For example, the encoding for BX R0 is 0x4700. Therefore, if 0x47004700 is shifted into the 32 bits of the instruction data bus of scan chain 1, the debugger does not have to remember the half of the bus that the processor expects to read instructions from.

From this point, you can determine the processor state by the following series of steps of ARM instructions.

When the processor is in ARM state, typically the first instruction executed is:

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

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

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

Note

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

For example, assume that the debugger has been asked to return the state of the User mode and FIQ mode registers, and debug state has been entered in Supervisor mode.

The instruction sequence might be:

```
STMIA  R0, {R0-R15}      ; Save current registers
MRS    R0, CPSR
STR    R0, [R0]           ; Save CPSR to determine current mode
BIC    R0, R0, #0x1F      ; Clear mode bits
ORR    R0, R0, #0x10      ; Select USER mode
MSR    CPSR, R0           ; Enter USER mode
STMIA  R0, {R13-R14}     ; Save registers not previously visible
ORR    R0, R0, #0x01      ; Select FIQ mode
MSR    CPSR, R0           ; Enter FIQ mode
STMIA  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, 67 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 state because the ARM920T is fully static. However, you cannot use this same method for determining the state of the rest of the system.

While in debug state, only the following instructions can be inserted into the instruction pipeline for execution:

- all data processing operations
- all load, store, load multiple, and store multiple instructions
- MSR and MRS.

9.10.2 Determining system state

To meet the dynamic timing requirements of the memory system, any attempt to access system state must occur synchronously. Therefore, you must force the ARM9TDMI core to synchronize back to system speed. The 33rd bit of scan chain 1, SYSSPEED, controls this.

You can place a legal debug instruction in the instruction data bus of scan chain 1 with bit 33 (the SYSSPEED bit) LOW. This instruction is then executed at debug speed. To execute an instruction at system speed, a NOP (such as MOV R0, R0) must be scanned in as the next instruction with bit 33 set HIGH.

After the system speed instructions have been scanned into the instruction data bus and clocked into the pipeline, you must load the RESTART instruction into the TAP controller. This causes the ARM9TDMI automatically to resynchronize back to **GCLK** when the TAP controller enters RUN-TEST/IDLE state, and execute the instruction at system speed. Debug state is re-entered after the instruction completes execution, when the processor switches itself back to the internally generated **DCLK**. When the instruction has completed, **DBGACK** is HIGH. At this point INTEST can be selected in the TAP controller, and debugging can resume.

To determine whether a system speed instruction has completed, the debugger must look at SYSCOMP (bit 3 of the debug status register). To access memory, the ARM9TDMI must access memory through the data data bus interface, as this access can be stalled indefinitely by **nWAIT**. Therefore, the only way to determine whether the memory access has completed is to examine the SYSCOMP bit. When this bit is HIGH the instruction has completed.

The state of the system memory can be passed to the debug host by using system speed load multiples and debug store multiples.

9.10.3 Instructions that can have the SYSSPEED bit set

The only valid instructions to set this bit for are:

- loads
- stores
- load multiple
- store multiple.

When the ARM9TDMI returns to debug state after a system speed access, the SYSSPEED bit is set HIGH.

9.11 Exit from debug state

Leaving debug state involves restoring the internal state of the ARM9TDMI core, causing a branch to the next instruction to be executed, and synchronizing back to **GCLK**. After restoring the internal state, you must load a branch instruction into the pipeline. For details on calculating the branch, see *The behavior of the program counter during debug* on page 9-51.

Use bit 33 of scan chain 1 to force the ARM9TDMI core to resynchronize back to **GCLK**. The penultimate instruction in the debug sequence is a branch to the instruction where execution is to resume. This is scanned in with bit 33 set LOW. The core is then clocked to load the branch into the pipeline. The final instruction that you must scan in is a NOP (such as `MOV R0, R0`), with bit 33 set HIGH. You must the clock the core to load this instruction into the pipeline. Now, select the RESTART instruction 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 **GCLK** occurs within the ARM9TDMI. Normal operation resumes, with instructions being fetched from memory.

The delay, until the state machine is in RUN-TEST/IDLE state, allows you to set up conditions in other devices in a multiprocessor system without taking immediate effect. Then, when RUN-TEST/IDLE state is entered, all the processors resume operation simultaneously.

The function of **DBGACK** is to tell the rest of the system when the ARM9TDMI core is in debug state. You can use this to inhibit peripherals such as watchdog timers that have real-time characteristics. Also, you can use **DBGACK** to mask out memory accesses that are caused by the debugging process. For example, when the ARM9TDMI core enters debug state after a breakpoint, the instruction pipeline contains the breakpointed instruction plus two other instructions that have been prefetched. On entry to debug state, the pipeline is flushed. So, on exit from debug state, the pipeline must be refilled to its previous state. Therefore, because of the debugging process, more memory accesses occur than are normally expected. You can inhibit any system peripheral that might be sensitive to the number of memory accesses by using **DBGACK**.

————— Note —————

DBGACK can only be used in this way using breakpoints. It does not mask the correct number of memory accesses after a watchpoint.

For example, consider a peripheral that merely counts the number of instruction fetches. This device must return the same answer after a program has run both with and without debugging. Figure 9-9 on page 9-49 shows the behavior of the ARM9TDMI core on exit from debug state.

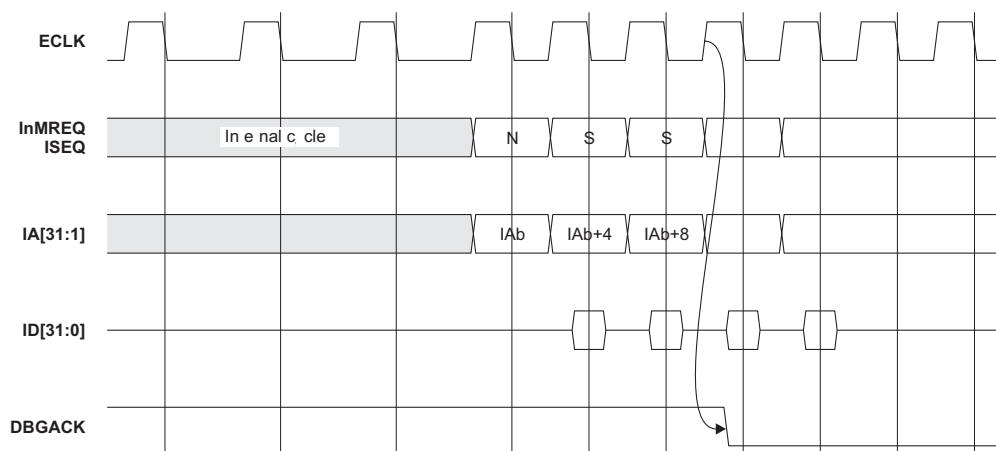
**Figure 9-9 Debug exit sequence**

Figure 9-10 on page 9-50 shows that two instructions are fetched after the instruction that breakpoints. Figure 9-10 on page 9-50 shows that **DBGACK** masks the first three instruction fetches out of the debug state, corresponding to the breakpoint instruction, and the two instructions prefetched after it.

———— **Note** ————

When a system speed access occurs, **DBGACK** remains **HIGH**, masking any memory access.

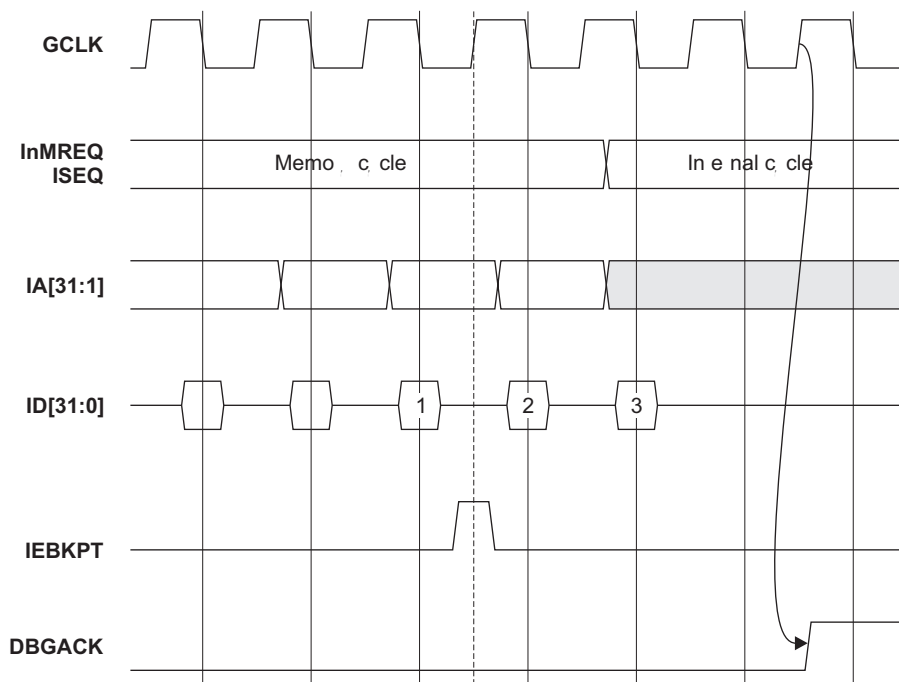


Figure 9-10 Debug state entry

9.12 The behavior of the program counter during debug

To force the ARM9TDMI core to branch back to the place where program flow is interrupted by debug, the debugger must keep track of what happens to the PC. There are six cases:

- *Breakpoint* on page 9-51
- *Watchpoint* on page 9-51
- *Watchpoint with another exception* on page 9-52
- *Watchpoint and breakpoint* on page 9-52
- *Debug request* on page 9-52
- *System speed accesses* on page 9-53.

In each case the same equation is used to determine where to resume execution.

9.12.1 Breakpoint

Entry to debug state from a breakpointed instruction advances the PC by 16 bytes in ARM state, or 8 bytes in Thumb state. Each instruction executed in debug state advances the PC by one address. 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 the ARM9TDMI core 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 (four for debug entry, plus two for the instructions, plus one for the final branch). The following sequence shows ARM instructions scanned into scan chain 1. This is *Most Significant Bit* (MSB) first, so the first digit represents the value to be scanned into the SYSSPEED bit, followed by the instruction.

```
0 EAFFFFF9      ; B -7 addresses (two's complement)
1 E1A00000      ; NOP (MOV R0, R0), SYSSPEED bit is set
```

For small branches, the final branch can be replaced with a subtract, with the PC as the destination. For example, SUB PC, PC, #28 for ARM code.

9.12.2 Watchpoint

You can return to program execution after entering debug state from a watchpoint in the same way as the procedure described in *Breakpoint* above. Debug entry adds four addresses to the PC, and every instruction adds one address. Because the instruction after the one that caused the watchpoint has executed, execution resumes at the following instruction.

9.12.3 Watchpoint with another exception

If a watchpoint access simultaneously causes a Data Abort, the ARM9TDMI core 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. The ARM9TDMI core enters debug state in the mode of the exception, 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, you must have the choice to service the exception before debugging or not.

For example, suppose an abort occurred on a watchpoint access, and ten instructions had been executed to determine this. You can use the following sequence to return to program execution:

```
0 EAFFFFF1      ; B -15 addresses (two's complement)
1 E1A00000      ; NOP (MOV R0, R0), SYSSPEED bit is set
```

This forces a branch back to the abort vector, causing the instructions at that location to be refetched and executed. After the abort service routine, the instruction that caused the abort and watchpoint is re-executed. This causes the watchpoint to be generated and the ARM9TDMI enters debug state again.

9.12.4 Watchpoint and breakpoint

It is possible to have a watchpoint and breakpoint condition occurring simultaneously. This can happen when an instruction causes a watchpoint, and the following instruction has been breakpointed. The same calculation must be performed as for *Breakpoint* on page 9-51 to determine where to resume. In this case, it is at the breakpoint instruction, because this has not been executed.

9.12.5 Debug request

Entry into debug state as a result of a debug request is similar to a breakpoint and, as for breakpoint entry to debug state, adds four addresses to the PC, and every instruction executed in debug state adds one.

For example, the following sequence handles a situation where a debug request has been invoked, followed by a decision to return to program execution immediately:

```
0 EAFFFFFB      ; B -5 addresses (two's complement)
1 E1A00000      ; NOP (MOV R0, R0), SYSSPEED bit is set
```

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

9.12.6 System speed accesses

If a system speed access is performed during debug state, the value of the PC is increased by five addresses. Because 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, the ARM9TDMI core enters abort mode before returning to debug state.

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

9.12.7 Summary of return address calculations

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

$$-(4 + N + 5S)$$

Where N is the number of debug speed instructions executed (including the final branch), and S is the number of system speed instructions executed.

9.13 EmbeddedICE macrocell

The EmbeddedICE macrocell is integral to the ARM9TDMI processor core. It has two hardware breakpoint or watchpoint units. You can configure each of them to monitor the instruction memory interface or the data memory interface. Each watchpoint unit has a value and mask register, with an address field, a data field, and a control field.

Because the ARM9TDMI processor core has a Harvard architecture, you must specify whether the watchpoint registers examine the instruction or the data interface. This is specified by bit 3:

- when bit 3 is set, the data interface is examined
- when bit 3 is clear, the instruction interface is examined.

There can be no *don't care* case for this bit because the comparators cannot compare the values on both buses simultaneously. Therefore, bit 3 of the control mask register is always clear and cannot be programmed HIGH. Bit 3 also determines whether the internal breakpoint or watchpoint signal must be driven by the result of the comparison. Figure 9-11 on page 9-56 gives an overview of the operation of the EmbeddedICE macrocell.

The ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell has logic that allows single stepping through code. This reduces the work required by an external debugger, and removes the requirement to flush the instruction cache. There is also hardware to allow efficient trapping of accesses to the exception vectors. These blocks of logic free the two general-purpose hardware breakpoint or watchpoint units for use by the programmer at all times.

9.13.1 Register map

The EmbeddedICE macrocell register map is shown in Table 9-15.

Table 9-15 ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell register map

Address	Width	Function
00000	4	Debug control
00001	5	Debug status
00010	8	Vector catch control
00100	6	Debug comms control
00101	32	Debug comms data
01000	32	Watchpoint 0 address value

Table 9-15 ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell register map (continued)

Address	Width	Function
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

The general arrangement of the EmbeddedICE macrocell is shown in Figure 9-11 on page 9-56.

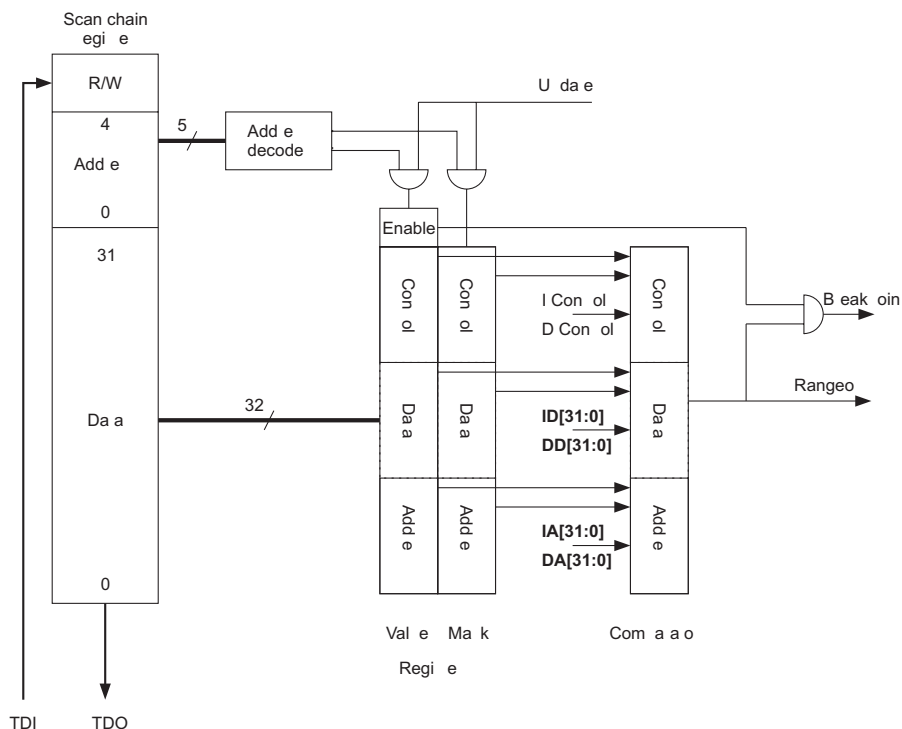


Figure 9-11 ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell overview

As an example, if a watchpoint is requested on a particular memory location but the data value is irrelevant, you can program the data mask register to 0xFFFF_FFFF, all bits set to 1. This ensures that the entire data bus value is ignored.

9.13.2 Using the mask registers

For each value register there is an associated mask register in the same format. Setting a bit to 1 in the mask register causes the corresponding bit in the value register to be ignored in any comparison.

9.13.3 Control registers

The format of the control registers depends on how bit 3 is programmed. If bit 3 is programmed to be 1, the breakpoint comparators examine the data address, and data and control signals. In this case, the format of the register is as shown in Figure 9-12 on page 9-57.

8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
ENABLE	RANGE	CHAIN	EXTERN	DnTRANS	1	DMAS[1]	DMAS[0]	DnRW

Figure 9-12 Watchpoint control register for data comparison

———— **Note** ————

Bit 8 and bit 3 cannot be masked.

The functions of the watchpoint control register for data comparison bits are shown in Table 9-16.

Table 9-16 Watchpoint control register, data comparison bit functions

Bit	Name	Function
8	ENABLE	If a watchpoint match occurs, the internal watchpoint signal is only asserted when the ENABLE bit is set. This bit only exists in the value register. It cannot be masked.
7	RANGE	You can connect this bit to the range output of another watchpoint register. In the ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell, the address comparator output of watchpoint 1 is connected to the RANGE input of watchpoint 0. This allows you to couple two watchpoints for detecting conditions that occur simultaneously, for example, for range-checking.
6	CHAIN	<p>You can connect this bit to chain output of another watchpoint to implement, for example, debugger requests of the form <i>breakpoint on address YYY only when in process XXX</i>.</p> <p>In the ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell, the CHAINOUT output of watchpoint 1 is connected to the CHAIN input of watchpoint 0. The CHAINOUT</p>

Table 9-16 Watchpoint control register, data comparison bit functions (continued)

Bit	Name	Function
4	DnTRANS	This bit is compared with the data not translate signal from the core in order to determine between a User mode (DnTRANS = 0) data transfer, and a privileged mode (DnTRANS = 1) transfer.
2:1	DMAS[1:0]	These bits are compared with the DMAS[1:0] signal from the core in order to detect the size of the data data bus activity.
0	DnRW	This bit is compared with the data not read/write signal from the core in order to detect the direction of the data data bus activity. nRW is 0 for a read, and 1 for a write.

If bit 3 of the control register is programmed to 0, the comparators examine the instruction address, instruction data, and instruction control buses. In this case bits [1:0] of the mask register must be set to *don't care* (programmed to 11). The format of the register in this case is as shown in Figure 9-13.

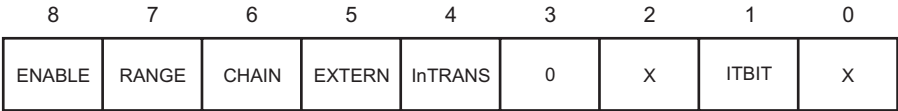


Figure 9-13 Watchpoint control register for instruction comparison

The functions of the watchpoint control register for instruction comparison bits are shown in Table 9-17.

Table 9-17 Watchpoint control register for instruction comparison bit functions

Bit	Name	Function
8	ENABLE	If a watchpoint match occurs, the internal breakpoint signal is only asserted when the ENABLE bit is set. This bit only exists in the value register, it cannot be masked.
7	RANGE	You can connect this bit to the range output of another watchpoint register. In the ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell, the address comparator output of watchpoint 1 is connected to the RANGE input of watchpoint 0. This allows you to couple two watchpoints for detecting conditions that occur simultaneously, for example, for range-checking.
6	CHAIN	<p>You can connect this bit to chain output of another watchpoint to implement, for example, debugger requests of the form <i>breakpoint on address YYY only when in process XXX</i>.</p> <p>In the ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell, 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 or 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.</p>
5	EXTERN	This is an external input into the ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell that allows the watchpoint to be dependent on some external condition. The EXTERN input for watchpoint 0 is labeled EXTERN0 , and the EXTERN input for watchpoint 1 is labeled EXTERN1 .
4	InTRANS	This bit is compared with the not translate signal from the core in order to determine between a User mode (InTRANS = 0) instruction fetch, and a privileged mode (InTRANS = 1) instruction fetch.
1	ITBIT	This bit is compared with the Thumb state signal from the core to determine between a Thumb (ITBIT = 1) instruction fetch or an ARM (ITBIT = 0) instruction fetch.

9.13.4 Debug control register

The ARM9TDMI debug control register is four bits wide and is shown in Figure 9-14.

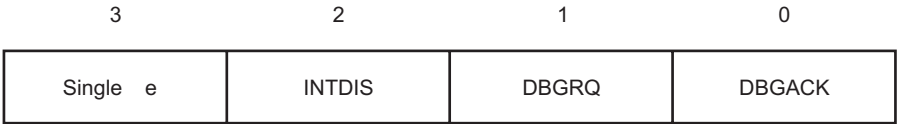


Figure 9-14 Debug control register

Bit 3 controls the single-step hardware. This is explained in more detail in Figure 9-17 on page 9-64.

9.13.5 Debug status register

The debug status register is five bits wide. If this register 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.

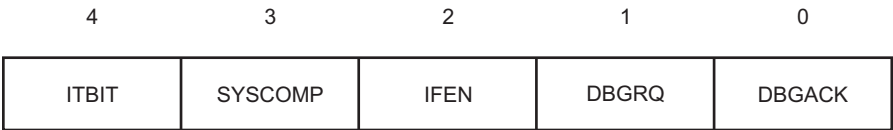


Figure 9-15 Debug status register

The function of the bits in the debug status register are shown in Table 9-18.

Table 9-18 Debug status register bit functions

Bits	Function
4	Allows ITBIT to be read. This enables the debugger to determine what state the processor is in, and therefore determine the instructions to execute.
3	Allows the state of the SYSCOMP bit from the core (synchronized to TCK) to be read. This allows the debugger to determine that a memory access from the debug state has completed.

Table 9-18 Debug status register bit functions (continued)

Bits	Function
2	Allows the state of the core interrupt enable signal, IFEN , to be read. Because the capture clock for the scan chain might be asynchronous to the processor clock, the DBGACK output from the core is synchronized before being used to generate the IFEN status bit.
1:0	Allow the values on the synchronized versions of DBGRRQ and DBGACK to be read.

9.13.6 Vector catch register

The ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell controls logic to enable accesses to the exception vectors to be trapped in an efficient manner. This is controlled by the vector catch register, as shown in Figure 9-16. The functionality is described in *Vector catching* on page 9-62.

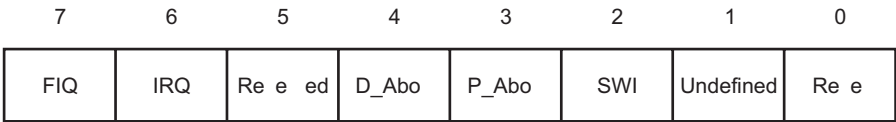


Figure 9-16 Vector catch register

9.14 Vector catching

The ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell contains logic that allows efficient trapping of fetches from the vectors during exceptions. This is controlled by the vector catch register. If one of the bits in this register is set HIGH and the corresponding exception occurs, the processor enters debug state as if a breakpoint has been set on an instruction fetch from the relevant exception vector.

For example, if the processor executes a SWI instruction while bit 2 of the vector catch register is set, the ARM9TDMI core fetches an instruction from location 0x8. The vector catch hardware detects this access and forces the ARM9TDMI CPU core to enter debug state.

The behavior of the hardware is independent of the watchpoint comparators, leaving them free for general use. The vector catch register is sensitive only to fetches from the vectors during exception entry. Therefore, if code branches to an address within the vectors during normal operation, and the corresponding bit in the vector catch register is set, the processor is not forced to enter debug state.

9.15 Single-stepping

The ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell contains logic that allows efficient single-stepping through code. This leaves the macrocell watchpoint comparators free for general use.

This function is enabled by setting bit 3 of the debug control register. You must only alter the state of this bit while the processor is in debug state. If the processor exits debug state and this bit is HIGH, the processor fetches an instruction, executes it, and then immediately re-enters debug state. This happens independently of the watchpoint comparators. If a system-speed data access is performed while in debug state, the debugger must ensure that the control bit is clear first.

9.16 Debug communications channel

The ARM9TDMI EmbeddedICE macrocell 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
- a 6-bit wide comms control register for synchronized handshaking between the processor and the asynchronous debugger.

These registers are in fixed locations in the EmbeddedICE register map, as shown in Figure 9-11 on page 9-56. You can access the registers from the processor using MCR and MRC instructions to coprocessor 14.

9.16.1 Debug comms channel register

The debug comms control register is read-only, and allows synchronized handshaking between the processor and the debugger. The format of the debug comms control register is shown in Figure 9-17.



Figure 9-17 Debug comms control register

The function of each register bit is described in Table 9-19.

Table 9-19 Debug comms control register bit functions

Bits	Function
31:28	Contain a fixed pattern that denotes the EmbeddedICE macrocell version number, in this case 0b0010.
27:2	Unused.
1	Denotes, as seen by the processor, whether the comms data write register is free. If, as seen by the processor, the comms data write register is free (W=0), new data can be written. If it is not free (W=1), the processor must poll until W=0. If, as seen by the debugger, W=1, some new data has been written that can then be scanned out.
0	Denotes whether there is some new data in the comms data read register. If, as seen by the processor, R=1, there is some new data that can be read using an MRC instruction. If, as seen by the debugger, R=0, the comms data read register is free and new data can 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 perspective of the debugger, the registers are accessed using the scan chain in the usual way. From the processor, these registers are accessed using coprocessor register transfer instructions. You can use the following instructions:

```

MRC p14, 0, Rd, C0, C0
; Returns the debug comms control register into Rd.

MCR p14, 0, Rn, C1, C0
; Writes the value in Rn to the comms data write register.

MRC p14, 0, Rd, C1, C0
; Returns the debug data read register into Rd.
```

Note

The Thumb instruction set does not support coprocessors so the ARM9TDMI must be operated in ARM state to access the debug comms channel.

9.16.2 Communications using the comms channel

There are two methods of communicating using the comms channel:

- transmitting
- receiving.

Sending a message to the debugger and *Receiving a message from the debugger* detail their usage.

Sending a message to the debugger

When the processor wishes to send a message to the debugger, it must check that the comms data write register is free for use by finding out if the W bit of the debug comms control register is clear:

- If the W bit is set, previously written data has not been read by the debugger. The processor must continue to poll the control register until the W bit is clear.
- If W bit is clear, the comms data write register is clear.

When the W bit is clear, a message can be written by a register transfer to coprocessor 14. As the data transfer occurs from the processor to the comms data write register, the W bit is set in the debug comms control register.

The debugger sees a synchronized version of both the R and W bit when it polls the debug comms control register through the JTAG interface. When the debugger sees 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 debug comms control register W bit. At this point, the communications process can begin again.

As an alternative to polling, the debug comms channel can be interrupt driven by connecting the ARM920T **COMMRX** and **COMMTX** signals to the systems interrupt controller.

Receiving a message from the debugger

Message transfer from the debugger to the processor is similar to sending a message to the debugger. In this case, the debugger polls the R bit of the debug comms control register:

- if the R bit is LOW, the comms data read register is free, and data can be placed there for the processor to read
- if the R bit is set, previously deposited data has not yet been collected, so the debugger must wait.

When the comms data read register is free, data can be written using the JTAG interface. The action of this write sets the R bit in the debug comms control register.

When the processor polls this register, it sees a **GCLK** synchronized version. If the R bit is set, there is data waiting to be collected. You can read this data read using an MRC instruction to coprocessor 14. The action of this load clears the R bit in the debug comms control register. When the debugger polls this register and sees that the R bit is clear, the data has been taken, and the process can now be repeated.

Chapter 10

TrackingICE

This chapter describes how the ARM920T processor uses TrackingICE mode. It contains the following sections:

- *About TrackingICE* on page 10-2
- *Timing requirements* on page 10-3
- *TrackingICE outputs* on page 10-4.

10.1 About TrackingICE

When in TrackingICE mode, several ARM920T outputs track the inputs to the ARM9TDMI processor core embedded within the ARM920T processor. You can then connect an ARM9TDMI test chip to the outputs. This precisely tracks the ARM9TDMI processor core inside the ARM920T, enabling all outputs of the ARM9TDMI core to be observed.

Figure 10-1 shows how a tracking ARM9TDMI processor is attached to an ARM920T processor.

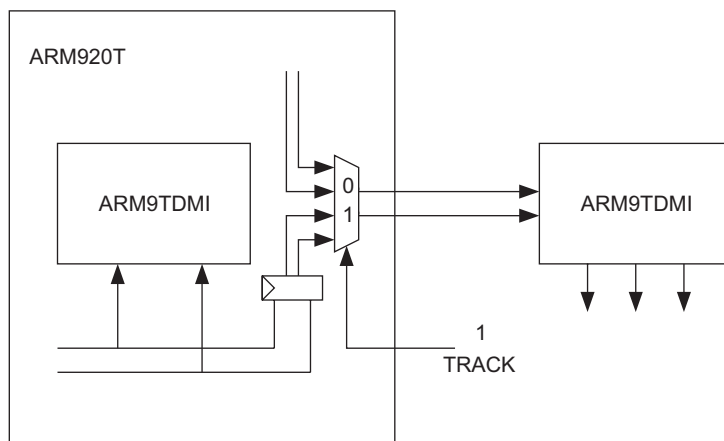


Figure 10-1 Using TrackingICE

The tracking ARM9TDMI processor operates one clock phase behind the actual ARM9TDMI core (on the inverted clock). All required inputs to the ARM9TDMI core are latched inside the ARM920T processor and are then brought out on various outputs. You can attach the tracking ARM9TDMI processor to these outputs.

10.2 Timing requirements

To enable the ARM9TDMI processor core to be tracked correctly, all inputs must be synchronous to the ARM9TDMI processor clock. These inputs include **TCK**, that in tracking mode is latched on the falling edge of **GCLK** before it is driven onto the ARM920T tracking outputs. All other **TCK** relative signals, **TDI**, **TMS**, and **SDOUTBS**, are latched on rising **GCLK** before they are driven onto the ARM920T tracking outputs.

10.3 TrackingICE outputs

Table 10-1 shows the ARM920T outputs that are re-used when the ARM920T processor is in TrackingICE mode.

Table 10-1 ARM920T in TrackingICE mode

ARM920T output	Attach to tracking ARM9TDMI input
IR[3:2]	CHSE[1:0]
IR[1:0]	CHSD[1:0]
SCREG[4]	nIRQ
SCREG[3]	nFIQ
SCREG[2]	DABORT
SCREG[1]	IABORT
TAPSM[3]	EXTERN1
TAPSM[2]	EXTERN0
TAPSM[1]	DEWPT
TAPSM[0]	IEBKPT
ICAPCLKBS	HIVECS
ECAPCLKBS	EDBGQ
PCLKBS	nWAIT
RSTCLKBS	nRESET
SHCLK1BS	TDI
SHCLK2BS	TMS
TCK1	GCLK
TCK2	TCK
SDIN	SDOUTBS

The remaining input connections to the ARM9TDMI core are:

- **ID** bus attaches to the **CPID** bus
- **DD** bus attaches to the **CPDOUT** bus
- **BIGEND** input attaches to the **BIGENDOUT**.

These can still be attached to a coprocessor when the ARM920T processor is in tracking mode. The only difference in behavior is that **CPDOUT** mirrors the ARM920T **DD** bus on every cycle, not only for coprocessor data transfers. The following conditions apply:

- The **ISYNC** and **nTRST** inputs must be common between the ARM920T and the tracking ARM9TDMI processor.
- **IABE** and **DABE** of the tracking ARM9TDMI processor must be HIGH so that the address outputs can be observed.
- **DDBE** of the tracking ARM9TDMI processor must be LOW to prevent a drive clash on the bidirectional **DD** bus. It is not necessary for the tracking ARM9TDMI to drive the **DD** bus because **CPDOUT** is driven with the data from all memory access cycles.

Chapter 11

AMBA Test Interface

This chapter examines the ARM920T AMBA test interface. It contains the following sections:

- *About the AMBA test interface* on page 11-2
- *Entering and exiting AMBA Test* on page 11-3
- *Functional test* on page 11-4
- *Burst operations* on page 11-11
- *PA TAG RAM test* on page 11-12
- *Cache test* on page 11-15
- *MMU test* on page 11-19.

11.1 About the AMBA test interface

You can use the ARM920T processor as an AMBA Revision D compliant ASB slave for AMBA testing. The address space of the ARM920T *Slave State Machine* (SSM) is from <base> to <base + 0xFFF>, word-aligned. The base address is specific to the implementation of the AMBA decoder. In this chapter <base> is assumed to be 0x0. Operation of the SSM is address mapped. This chapter explains the address mapping of **AIN** for ARM920T AMBA test.

11.2 Entering and exiting AMBA Test

Six test modes exist:

- functional test
- PA TAG RAM test
- instruction MMU test
- data MMU test
- instruction cache test
- data cache test.

The address of the state location is 0x0. A write to this location changes the test mode, as shown in Table 11-1. An example TIF file is shown in Example 11-1.

Table 11-1 AMBA test modes

Test mode	Write data
Exit test	0x0
Functional test	0x1
PA TAG RAM test	0x2
Instruction MMU test	0x3
Data MMU test	0x4
Instruction cache test	0x5
Data cache test	0x6

Example 11-1 Example TIF (test input file)

```

; Address State Location
A 00000000
; Enter Functional Test Mode
W 00000001

<Body of Functional Test>

; Address State Location
A 00000000
; Exit Test Mode
W 00000000
E ZZZZZZZZ
```

11.3 Functional test

In AMBA functional test mode, the SSM disconnects the functional ARM920T from its inputs and disables its output drivers. The SSM provides locations that can be accessed by the tester. There are 9 locations that can be accessed in functional test mode:

- 3 write locations
- 6 read locations.

These are bit-mapped to **AIN[10:2]** as shown in Table 11-2.

———— **Note** —————

TAPID[31:0] and **ETM<name>**, the ARM920T Trace Interface Port, are not accessible in this test mode

Table 11-2 AMBA functional test locations

AIN bit	Location	Read/write	Data
10	CPDIN	Write	31:0
9	A920Inputs	Write	31:0
8	DIN	Write	31:0
7	DOUT	Read	31:0
6	CPDOUT	Read	31:0
5	CPID	Read	31:0
4	A920Status1	Read	21:0
3	A920Status2	Read	31:0
2	AOUT	Read	31:0

The **A920Inputs** location, shown in Table 11-12 on page 11-16, is constructed as shown in Table 11-3.

Table 11-3 Construction of A920Inputs location

A920 inputs bit	Signal
31	AGNT
30	WAITIN
29	ERRORIN
28	LASTIN
27	BnRES
26	FCLK
25:20	0
19	VINITHI
18	nFIQ
17	nIRQ
16	ISYNC
15:14	CHSDE[1:0]
13:12	CHSEX[1:0]
11	TRACK
10	IEBKPT
9	DEWPT
8	EDBGRQ
7	EXTERN0
6	EXTERN1
5	TCK
4	TDI
3	TMS

Table 11-3 Construction of A920Inputs location (continued)

A920 inputs bit	Signal
2	nTRST
1	SDOUTBS
0	DBGEN

The **A920Status1** location, shown in Table 11-2 on page 11-4, is constructed as shown in Table 11-4.

Table 11-4 Construction of A920Status1 location

A920Status1 bits	Signal
21	WRITEOUT
20:19	SIZE
18:17	PROT[1:0]
16:15	BURST[1:0]
14	AREQ
13	LOK
12	TRAN
11	ENBA
10	ENBD
9	FCLKOUT
8	CPCLK
7	nCPWAIT
6	nCPMREQ
5	CPPASS
4	CPLATECANCEL
3	CPTBIT

Table 11-4 Construction of A920Status1 location (continued)

A920Status1 bits	Signal
2	nCPTRANS
1	BIGENDOUT
0	INSTREXEC

The **A920Status2** location, shown in Table 11-2 on page 11-4, is constructed as shown in Table 11-5.

Table 11-5 Construction of A920Status2 location

A920Status2 bits	Signal
31	DRIVEOUTBS
30	DBGACK
29	ECLK
28:25	IR[3:0]
24	RANGEOUT0
23	RANGEOUT1
22:18	SCREG[4:0]
17:14	TAPSM[3:0]
13	TDO
12	NTDOEN
11	SDIN
10	SHCLK1BS
9	SHCLK2BS
8	ICAPCLKBS
7	ECAPCLKBS
6	PCLKBS
5	TCK1

You can update and examine the inputs and outputs of the ARM920T on a per-cycle basis by writing to the input locations and reading from the output locations. The functional ARM920T is clocked after every sequence of writes. This means that for every cycle, at least one location must be written to (usually **A920Inputs**), but no locations have to be read. A typical AMBA test iterates the sequence:

- address locations to be written and read
- write input locations
- read output locations
- turnaround vector.

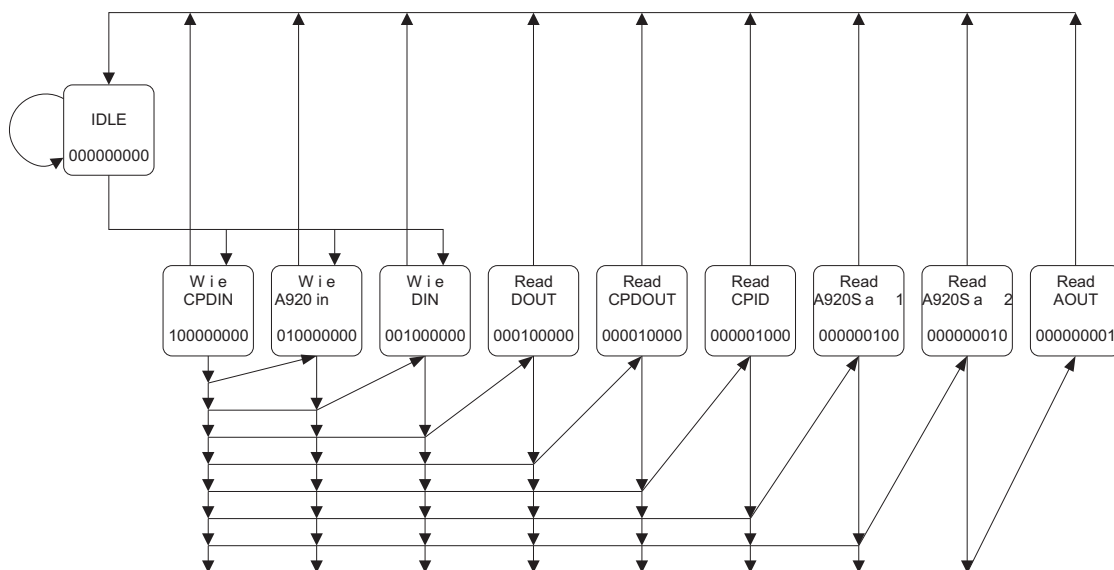


Figure 11-1 AMBA functional test state machine

11.3.1 Creating an ARM920T AMBA functional test

The steps required to write a TIF (test input format) file are:

1. Run an assembler program on a model of the ARM920T. You must run the program in *FastBus mode* (see *FastBus mode* on page 5-3). You must also run **TCK** synchronously to **BCLK**, and at least a factor of two slower.
2. On each rising edge of **BCLK** you must record the values of **ERRORIN**, **WAITIN**, and **LASTIN**. On each falling edge of **BCLK**, you must record the values of all other inputs and outputs. This binary string of values is called a vector.

The AMBA functional test header is:

```
; Entering AMBA Functional Test Mode
A 00000000
W 00000001
; Addressing all locations
A 000007FC
```

3. Repeat the following sequence for n in the range 1 to <number of vectors>:

```

; Writing CPDIN of vector n-1
W <Data>
; Writing ARM920T Inputs of vector n
W <Data>
; Writing DIN of vector n-1
W <Data>
; Clocking ARM920T
; Reading DOUT of vector n
R <Data> FFFFFFFF
; Reading CPID of vector n
R <Data> FFFFFFFF
; Reading CPDOUT of vector n
R <Data> FFFFFFFF
; Reading ARM920T Status Location 1 of vector n-1
R <Data> 003FFCFF
; Reading ARM920T Status Location 2 of vector n-1
R <Data> 003FFCFF
; Reading AOUT of vector n
R <Data> FFFFFFFF

```

The AMBA functional test footer is:

```

; ARM920T Exiting AMBA Functional Test Mode
A 00000000
W 00000000
A ZZZZZZZZ
E ZZZZZZZZ

```

For each write and read, <Data> is an 8-character hexadecimal value. For the buses **CPDIN**, **DIN**, **DOUT**, **CPID**, **CPDOUT**, and **AOUT** this is the vector value. For the ARM920T inputs location the data is constructed as shown in Table 11-3 on page 11-5. For the A920status1 and A920status2 locations, the read data is constructed as shown in Table 11-4 on page 11-6 and Table 11-5 on page 11-7. Vector number zero does not exist in the vector file, so on the first iteration you must write **CPDIN** as zero and you must give both status locations a mask value of zero. For more information see the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)*.

————— **Note** —————

If **DOUT** has the same value on two or more successive vectors, the mask value for the second and subsequent reads must be zero. It is recommended that you mask out **FCLKOUT** and **CPCLK** in each status1 read.

11.4 Burst operations

In all test modes other than functional test, the SSM provides locations for burst reads and writes of certain lengths. These are shown in Table 11-6.

Table 11-6 Burst locations

Burst size	Address
1	0x000
2	0x040
4	0x080
8	0x0C0
16	0x100
32	0x140
64	0x180
128	0x1C0

To construct the address of a location for a burst access, you must add the address of the burst size to the address of the location. For example:

- address of PA TAG RAM read location = 0x18
- address of burst-64 location = 0x180
- address of burst of 64 PA TAG RAM reads = 0x18 + 0x180 = 0x198.

For each of the six test modes (see Table 11-1 on page 11-3) there is a table summarizing for each location:

- its address
- whether it is for reading or writing
- whether burst accesses are supported to that location
- the alignment of read and write data.

11.5 PA TAG RAM test

PA TAG RAM test mode allows you to test reading and writing the memory array. The memory array comprises eight segments out of a possible 128. Each segment comprises 64 lines. Each line is 26 bits wide. Before either a read or write can be executed, the segment and index locations must be written, defining the array entry. If this has been done, writing is achieved as a two-step process and reading as a one-step process.

- 1. You must write a data pattern to a test location provided by the SSM.
- 2. The data pattern is written into the RAM array and the index is incremented. Depending on the write location used the data pattern is either incremented or inverted. For a burst access, the second step is repeated.

There are five write locations and one read location. These are shown in Table 11-7.

Table 11-7 PA TAG RAM locations

Location	Address	Read/ write	Burst	Data
Index	0x04	Write	No	5:0
Segment	0x08	Write	No	6:0
Data pattern	0x0C	Write	No	25:0
RAM write, invert data pattern and increment index	0x10	Write	Yes	-
RAM write, increment data pattern and increment index	0x14	Write	Yes	-
RAM read and increment index	0x18	Read	Yes	31:6

When writing the data pattern, the write data is constructed as shown in Table 11-8.

Table 11-8 Construction of data pattern write data

Data pattern bits	Write data bits
25:21	28:24
20:14	22:16
13:7	14:8
6:0	6:0

For example:

- data pattern = 0x03FFFFFF
- write data = 0x1F7F7F7F.

Figure 11-2 shows the write data format.

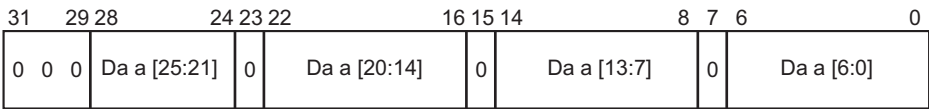


Figure 11-2 Write data format

An example sequence to test lines 5 to 8 of memory segment 1 comprises:

1. Enter PA TAG test mode.
2. Write index = 5.
3. Write segment = 1.
4. Write data pattern = 0.
5. Burst-4 RAM write and increment both data pattern and index.
6. Write index = 5.
7. Burst-4 RAM read and increment index.
8. Exit test mode.

The TIF file equivalent of the above sequence is:

```
; PATAGRAM testmode
A 00000000
W 00000002
; load index counter 5
A 00000004
W 00000005
; load segment number 1
A 00000008
W 00000001
; load data pattern 0
A 0000000C
W 00000000
; ramwrite, increment data pattern and index, burst of 4
; 0x14 + 0x80 = 0x94
A 00000094
```

```

W 00000000
; ramwrite
W 00000000
; ramwrite
W 00000000
; ramwrite
W 00000000
; load index counter 5. Segment is unchanged at 1.
A 00000004
W 00000005
; ramread, increment index, burst of 4
; 0x18 + 0x80 = 0x98
A 00000098
R 00000000 FFFFFFFC0
; ramread
R 00000040 FFFFFFFC0
; ramread
R 00000080 FFFFFFFC0
; ramread
R 000000C0 FFFFFFFC0
A ZZZZZZZZ
; Exit Test Mode
A 00000000
W 00000000
; Exiting Test Mode
E ZZZZZZZZ.

```

11.6 Cache test

Cache test mode allows you to perform the following functions:

- read and write CAM and RAM
- CAM matches
- dirty all entries
- write the lockdown pointer
- invalidate either the whole cache or a single entry by VA.

Cache test locations that you can access are shown in Table 11-9. See Chapter 2 *Programmer’s Model* and Appendix B *CP15 Test Registers* for more details of the registers used for cache test.

Table 11-9 Cache test locations

Location	Address	Read/write	Burst	Data
CAM	0x04	Read/write	Yes	31:0
RAM	0x08	Read/write	Yes	31:0
CAM match, RAM read	0x0C	Write then read	No	31:0
Invalidate all	0x10	Write	No	-
Dirty all	0x14	Write	No	-
Lockdown victim and base	0x18	Write	No	31:2
Invalidate by VA	0x1C	Write	No	31:5

CAM write data is organized as shown in Table 11-10.

Table 11-10 CAM write data

CAM data	Read value	Write value
31:5	[31:8] MVA TAG	[31:8] MVA TAG
	[7:6] = Segment [2:1]	[7:5] = Segment [2:0]
	[5] = 0	
4	Valid	Valid
3	Dirty even	Dirty even

Table 11-10 CAM write data (continued)

CAM data	Read value	Write value
2	Dirty odd	Dirty odd
1	Write back	Write back
0	LFSR[6]	0

CAM match write data is organized as shown in Table 11-11.

Table 11-11 CAM match write data

Match write data	Value
31:8	MVA TAG
7:5	Segment
4:2	Word
1:0	SBZ

CAM match read data is organized as shown in Table 11-12.

Table 11-12 CAM match read data

Match read data	Value
31	Cache miss
30	Cache hit
29:0	RAM read data [29:0]

Invalidate by VA write data is organized as shown in Table 11-13.

Table 11-13 Invalidate by VA write data

Invalidate by VA data	Value
31:8	VA TAG
7:5	Segment
4:0	SBZ

Lockdown victim and base data organization is shown in Table 11-14.

Table 11-14 Lockdown victim and base data

Data	Value
31:26	Index
25:8	SBZ
7:5	Segment
4:2	Word
1:0	SBZ

11.6.1 Behavior of the cache index pointer in AMBA cache test

Writing the lockdown pointer in AMBA cache test mode specifies the segment, index, and word that are used for all subsequent CAM and RAM operations. The index increments after CAM reads or writes and RAM reads or writes, but the segment and word do not change.

11.6.2 RAM read or write

To read or write the RAM in cache segment n, carry out the following sequence:

1. Write lockdown victim and base with:
 - lockdown value = 0
 - segment = n
 - word = 0.
2. Burst 64 RAM read/write:
data = RAM data.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 seven times, incrementing the word value each time, from 0 to 7.

11.6.3 CAM read or write

To read or write the CAM in cache segment n, carry out the following sequence:

1. Write lockdown victim and base with:
 - lockdown value = 0
 - segment = n.
2. Burst 64 CAM read or write:
TAG, segment, valid, dirty even, dirty odd, write back = CAM data.

11.6.4 CAM match, RAM read

To match on a VA and read out the corresponding RAM entry, carry out the following sequence:

1. Address the match location.
2. Write VA comprising:
 - VA TAG
 - segment
 - word.
3. Read:
 - cache hit
 - cache miss
 - RAM data.

11.7 MMU test

MMU test allows you to test the following:

- read and write CAM, RAM1, RAM2, DAC, and lockdown pointer
- invalidate either a whole TLB or a single entry selected by VA
- CAM match and RAM1 read.

Table 11-15 shows the MMU test locations. See Chapter 2 *Programmer’s Model* and Appendix B *CP15 Test Registers* for more details of the registers used for MMU test.

Table 11-15 MMU test locations

Location	Address	Read/write	Burst	Data
Invalidate by VA	0x04	Write	No	31:10
CAM match, RAM1 read	0x08	Write then read	No	31:0
CAM	0x24	Read/write	Yes	31:0
RAM1	0x28	Read/write	Yes	31:0
RAM2	0x2C	Read/write	Yes	31:0
RAM1, RAM2	0x30	Read/write	Yes	31:0
DAC	0x34	Read/write	No	31:0
Lockdown	0x38	Read/write	No	31:20, 1
Invalidate all	0x3C	Write	No	-

The data format for the DAC and lockdown locations are described in *Register 3, domain access control register* on page 2-15 and *Register 10, TLB lockdown register* on page 2-22.

Invalidate by VA data is organized as shown in Table 11-16.

Table 11-16 Invalidate by VA data

Invalidate by VA data	Value
31:10	VA tag
9:0	SBZ

Match write data is organized as shown in Table 11-17.

Table 11-17 Match write data

Match write data	Value
31:10	VA tag
9:0	SBZ

CAM data is organized as shown in Table 11-18.

Table 11-18 CAM data

CAM data	Value
31:10	VA tag
9:6	Size_C (see Table 11-19)
5	Valid
4	Preserved
3:0	SBZ

CAM data size encoding is shown in Table 11-19.

Table 11-19 CAM data Size_C encoding

Size	Encoding [3:0]
1MB	0b1111
64KB	0b0111
16KB	0b0011
4KB	0b0001
1KB	0b0000

RAM1 data is organized as shown in Table 11-20.

Table 11-20 RAM1 data

RAM 1 data	Value
31:25	SBZ
24	Protection fault
23	Domain fault
22	MMU miss
21:6	Domain, D15:D0
5	Not cachable
4	Not bufferable
3:0	Access permission bits [3:0]

For RAM1 reads, bits [24:22] are only valid for a match operation. The encoding of RAM1 data access permission bits is shown in Table 11-21.

Table 11-21 RAM1 data access permission bits

Access permission bits [3:0]	Decoded as AP [1:0]
0b0001	0b00
0b0010	0b01
0b0100	0b10
0b1000	0b11

RAM2 data is organized as shown in Table 11-22.

Table 11-22 RAM2 data

RAM 2 data	Value
31:10	Physical address TAG
9:6	Size_R2
5:0	SBZ

The encoding of RAM2 data size bits is shown in Table 11-23.

Table 11-23 RAM2 data Size_R2 encoding

Size_R2	Encoding [3:0]
1MB	0b1111
64KB	0b0111
16KB	0b0011
4KB	0b0000
1KB	0b0001

11.7.1 Behavior of the TLB Index pointer in AMBA MMU test

Auto-increment is enabled for CAM and RAM1 reads and writes.

11.7.2 Indexing the RAM2 array

The index pointer to the RAM2 array is a pipelined version of the CAM and RAM1 index pointer. This means that to read from index n in the RAM2 array, you must first perform an access to index n in either the CAM or RAM1. Because of this, the composite location RAM1, RAM2 at address 0x30, and the Burst-128 location at address 0x1C0 are supported.

Chapter 12

Instruction Cycle Summary and Interlocks

This chapter gives the instruction cycle times and shows the timing diagrams for interlock timing. It contains the following sections:

- *About the instruction cycle summary* on page 12-2
- *Instruction cycle times* on page 12-3
- *Interlocks* on page 12-6.

12.1 About the instruction cycle summary

All signals quoted in this chapter are ARM9TDMI signals, and are internal to the ARM920T. In all cases it is assumed that all accesses are from cached regions of memory.

If an instruction causes an external access, either when prefetching instructions or when accessing data, the instruction takes more cycles to complete execution. The additional number of cycles is dependent on the system implementation.

12.2 Instruction cycle times

Table 12-1 shows a key to the symbols used in tables in this section.

Table 12-1 Symbols used in tables

Symbol	Meaning
b	The number of busy-wait states during coprocessor accesses
m	Is in the range 0 to 3, depending on early termination (see <i>Multiplier cycle counts</i> on page 12-5)
n	The number of words transferred in an LDM/STM/LDC/STC
C	Coprocessor register transfer (C-cycle)
I	Internal cycle (I-cycle)
N	Nonsequential cycle (N-cycle)
S	Sequential cycle (S-cycle)

Table 12-2 summarizes the ARM920T instruction cycle counts and bus activity when executing the ARM instruction set.

Table 12-2 Instruction cycle bus times

Instruction	Cycles	Instruction bus	Data bus	Comment
Data Op	1	1S	1I	Normal case
Data Op	2	1S+1I	2I	With register controlled shift
LDR	1	1S	1N	Normal case, not loading PC
LDR	2	1S+1I	1N+1I	Not loading PC and following instruction uses loaded word (1 cycle load-use interlock)
LDR	3	1S+2I	1N+2I	Loaded byte, halfword, or unaligned word used by following instruction (2 cycle load-use interlock)
LDR	5	2S+2I+1N	1N+4I	PC is destination register
STR	1	1S	1N	All cases
LDM	2	1S+1I	1S+1I	Loading 1 Register, not the PC

Table 12-2 Instruction cycle bus times (continued)

Instruction	Cycles	Instruction bus	Data bus	Comment
LDM	n	1S+(n-1)I	1N+(n-1)S	Loading n registers, n > 1, not loading the PC
LDM	n+4	2S+1N+(n+1)I	1N+(n-1)S+4I	Loading n registers including the PC, n > 0
STM	2	1S+1I	1N+1I	Storing 1 Register
STM	n	1S+(n-1)I	1N+(n-1)S	Storing n registers, n > 1
SWP	2	1S+1I	2N	Normal case
SWP	3	1S+2I	2N+1I	Loaded byte used by following instruction
B, BL, BX	3	2S+1N	3I	All cases
SWI, Undefined	3	2S+1N	3I	All cases
CDP	b+1	1S+bI	(1+b)I	All cases
LDC, STC	b+n	1S+(b+n-1)I	bI+1N+(n-1)S	All cases
MCR	b+1	1S+bI	bI+1C	All cases
MRC	b+1	1S+bI	bI+1C	Normal case
MRC	b+2	1S+(b+1)I	(b+I)I+1C	Following instruction uses transferred data
MUL, MLA	2+m	1S+(1+m)I	(2+m)I	All cases
SMULL, UMULL, SMLAL, UMLAL	3+m	1S+(2+m)I	(3+m)I	All cases

Table 12-3 shows the instruction cycle times from the perspective of the data bus.

Table 12-3 Data bus instruction times

Instruction	Cycle time
LDR	1N
STR	1N
LDM, STM	1N+(n-1)S

Table 12-3 Data bus instruction times (continued)

Instruction	Cycle time
SWP	1N+1S
LDC, STC	1N+(n-1)S
MCR, MRC	1C

12.2.1 Multiplier cycle counts

The number of cycles that a multiply instruction takes to complete depends on the instruction, and on the value of the multiplier-operand. The multiplier-operand is the contents of the register specified by bits [11:8] of the ARM multiply instructions, or bits [2:0] of the Thumb multiply instructions:

- For ARM MUL, MLA, SMULL, SMLAL, and Thumb MUL, m is:
 - 1 if bits [31:8] of the multiplier operand are all 0 or all 1
 - 2 if bits [31:16] of the multiplier operand are all 0 or all 1
 - 3 if bits [31:24] of the multiplier operand are all 0 or all 1
 - 4 otherwise.
- For ARM UMULL, UMLAL, m is:
 - 1 if bits [31:8] of the multiplier operand are all 0
 - 2 if bits [31:16] of the multiplier operand are all 0
 - 3 if bits [31:24] of the multiplier operand are all 0
 - 4 otherwise.

Example 12-2 Two cycle load interlock

In this example, the following code sequence is executed:

```
LDRB R0, [R1,#1]
ADD R2, R0, R1
```

Now, because a rotation must occur on the loaded data, there is a second interlock cycle. The behavior on the instruction memory interface is shown in Figure 12-2.

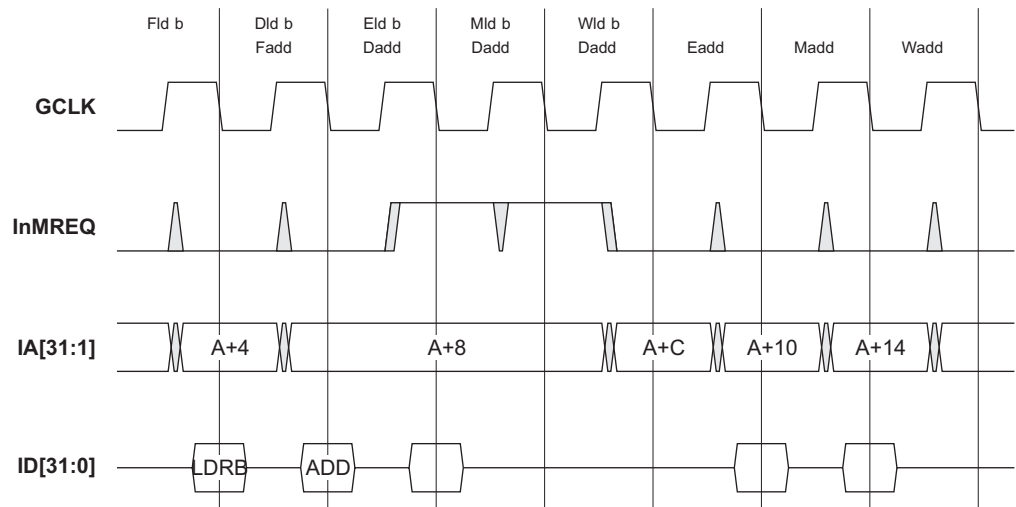


Figure 12-2 Two cycle load interlock

Example 12-3 LDM interlock

In this example, the following code sequence is executed:

```
LDM R12, {R1-R3}
ADD R2, R2, R1
```

The LDM takes three cycles to execute in the Memory stage of the pipeline. The ADD is therefore delayed until the LDM begins its final memory fetch. The behavior of both the instruction and data memory interfaces is shown in Figure 12-3.

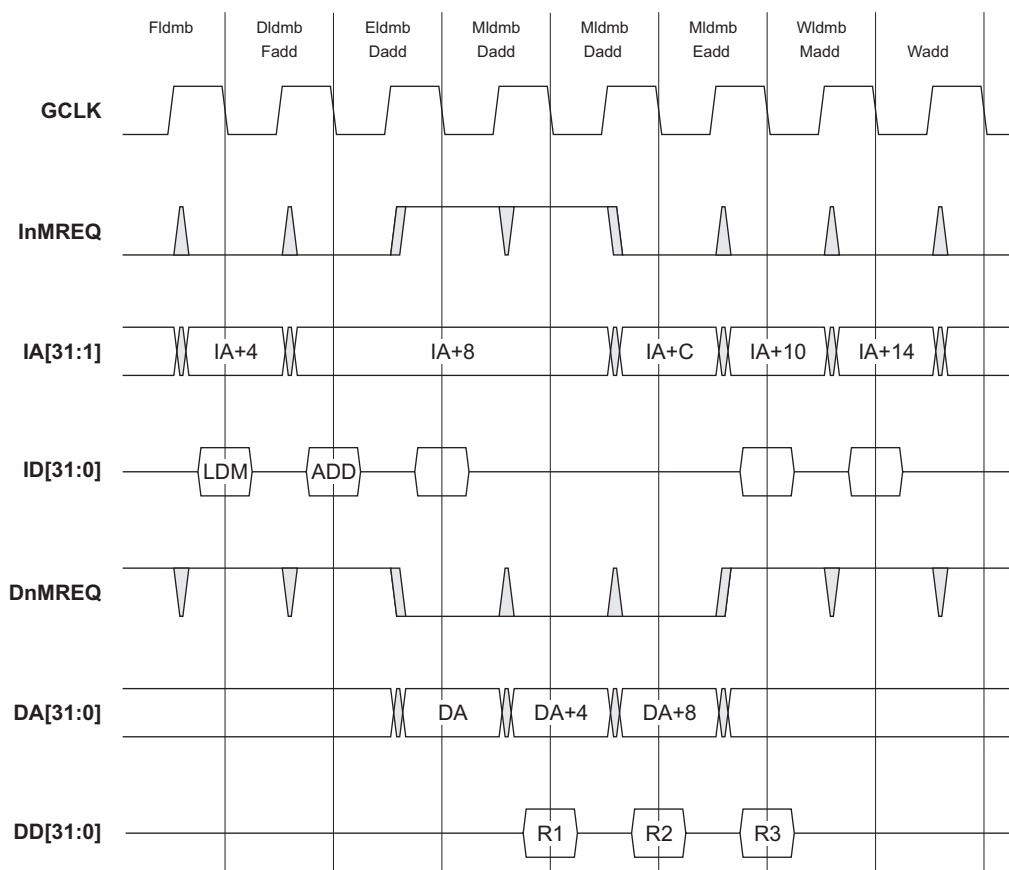


Figure 12-3 LDM interlock

Example 12-4 LDM dependent interlock

In this example, the following code sequence is executed:

```
LDM R12, {R1-R3}  
ADD R4, R3, R1
```

The code is the same code as in example 3, but in this instance the ADD instruction uses R3. Due to the nature of load multiples, the lowest register specified is transferred first, and the highest specified register last. Because the ADD is dependent on R3, there must be another cycle of interlock while R3 is loaded. The behavior on the instruction and data memory interface is shown in Figure 12-4 on page 12-10.

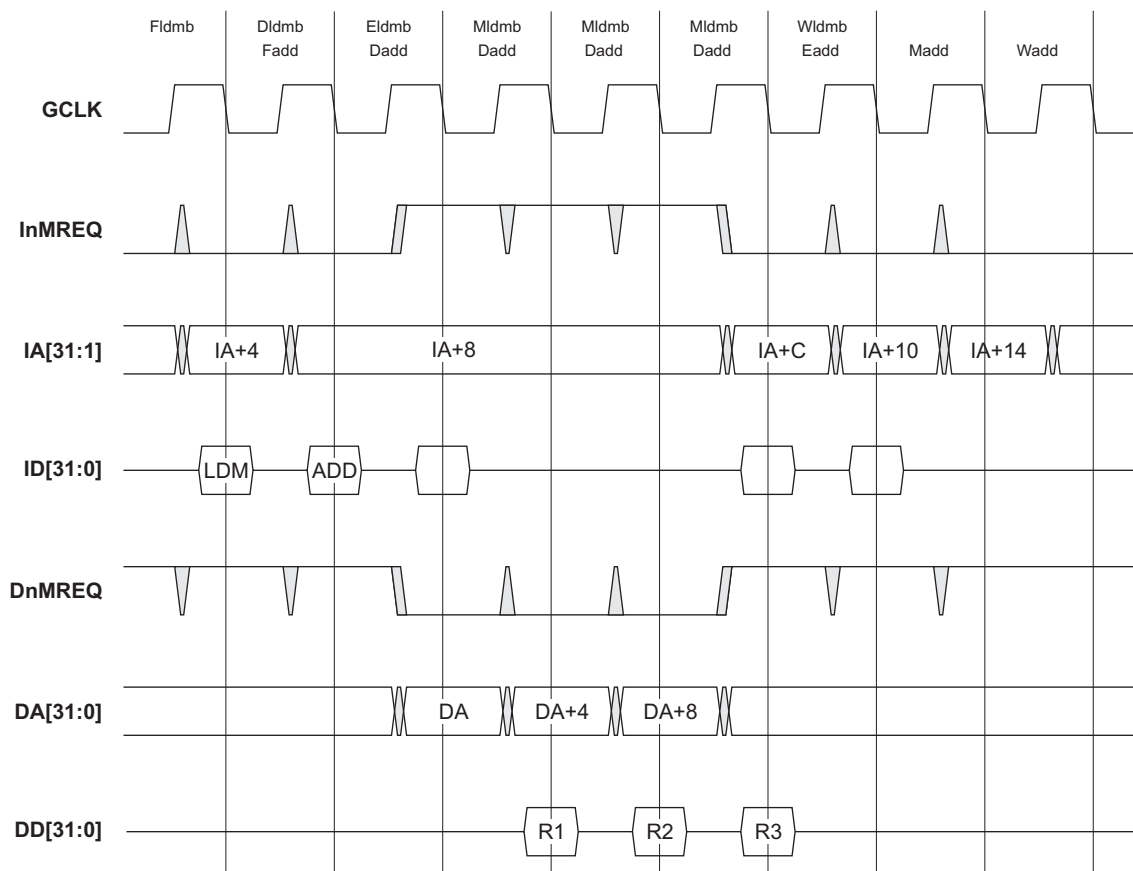


Figure 12-4 LDM dependent interlock

Chapter 13

AC Characteristics

This chapter gives the timing diagrams and timing parameters for the ARM920T processor. It contains the following sections:

- *ARM920T timing diagrams* on page 13-2
- *ARM920T timing parameters* on page 13-16
- *Timing definitions for the ARM920T Trace Interface Port* on page 13-26.

13.1 ARM920T timing diagrams

The AMBA bus interface of the ARM920T conforms to the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)*. See this document for the relevant timing diagrams.

Figure 13-1 shows the signal parameters for the **FCLK** timed coprocessor interface.

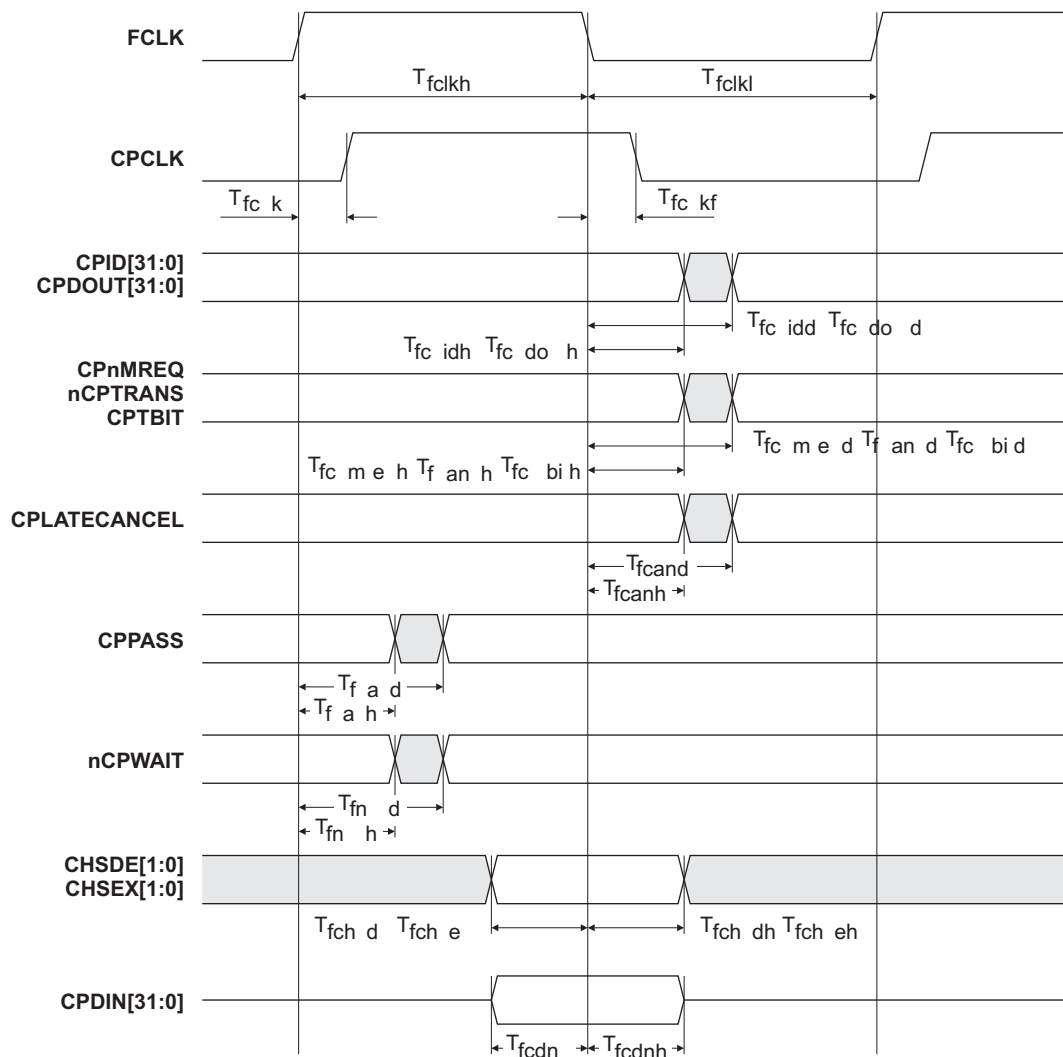


Figure 13-1 ARM920T FCLK timed coprocessor interface

Figure 13-2 shows the signal parameters for the **BCLK** timed coprocessor interface.

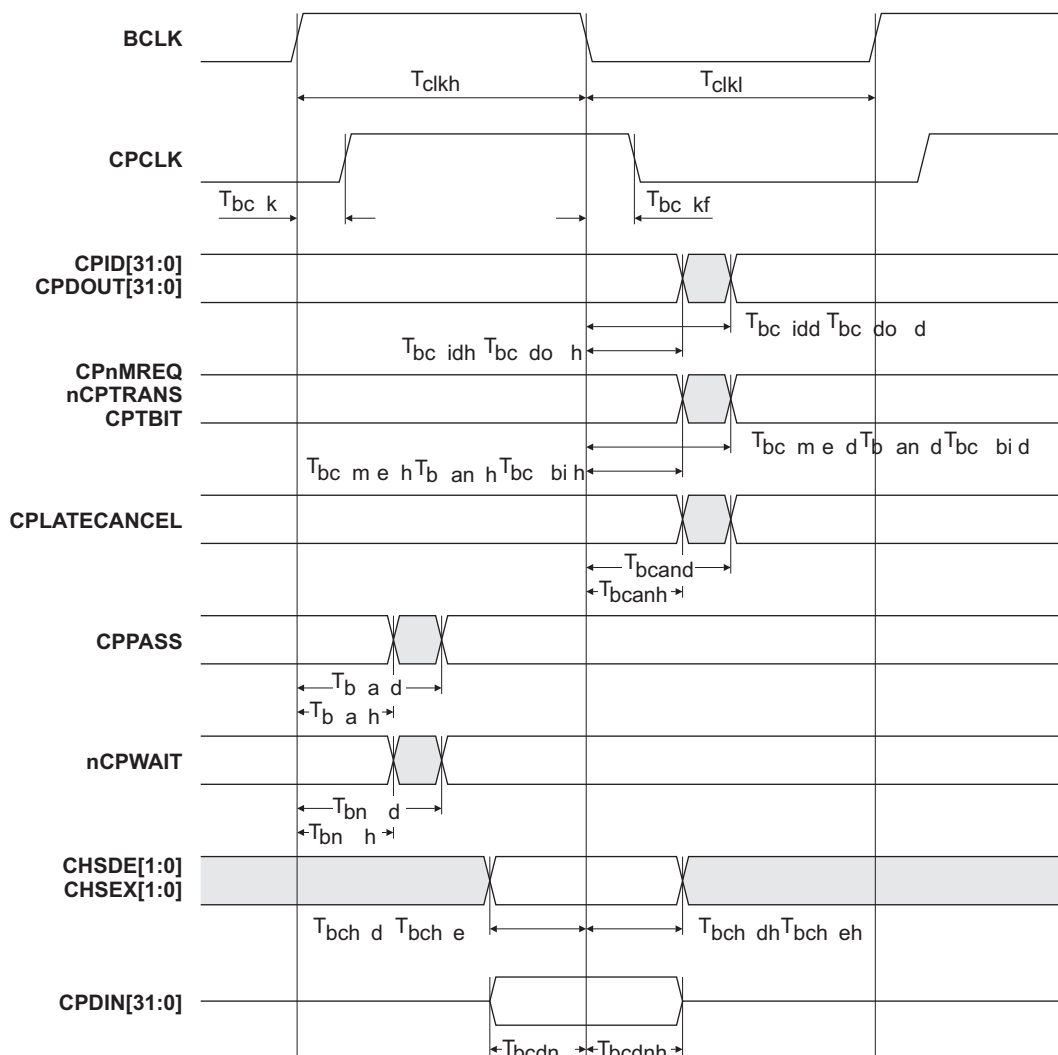


Figure 13-2 ARM920T BCLK timed coprocessor interface

Figure 13-3 shows the ARM920T **FCLK** related signal timing.

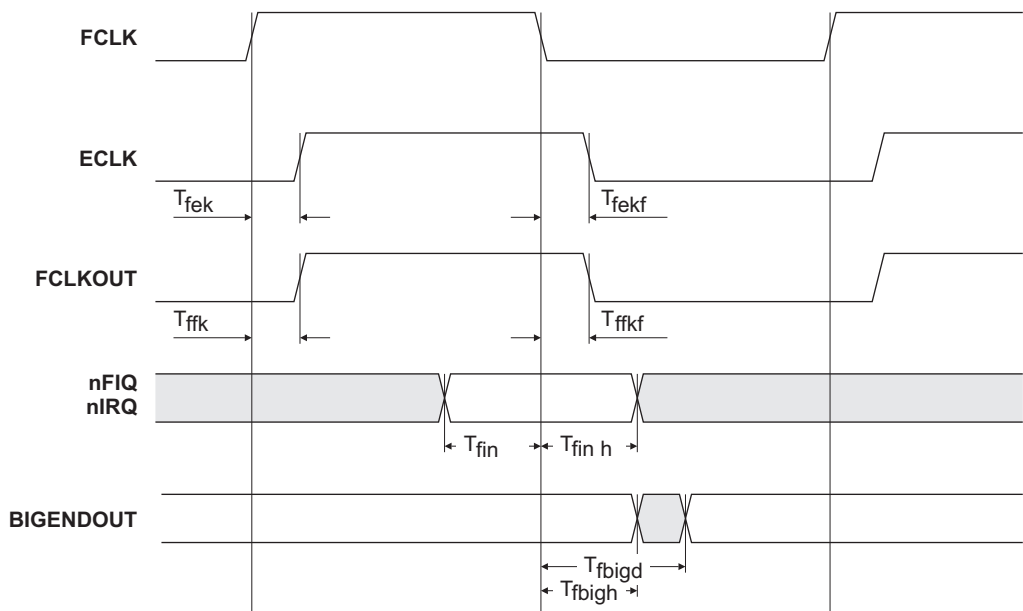


Figure 13-3 ARM920T FCLK related signal timing

Figure 13-4 shows the ARM920T **BCLK** related signal timing.

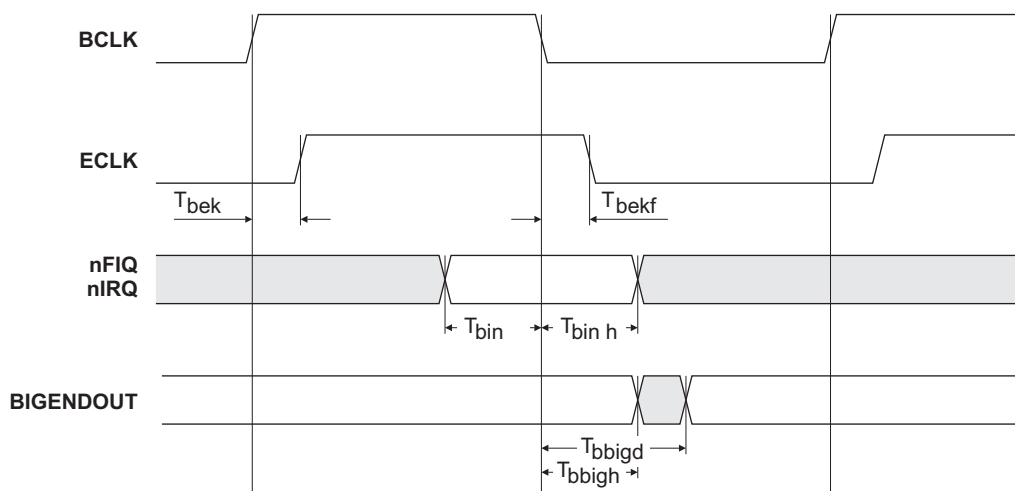


Figure 13-4 ARM920T BCLK related signal timing

Figure 13-5 shows the **SDOUTBS** to **TDO** signal relationship.

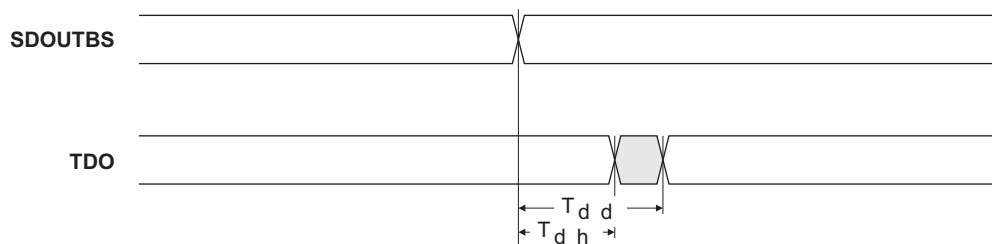


Figure 13-5 ARM920T SDOUTBS to TDO relationship

Figure 13-6 shows the relationship between **nTRST** and the following signals:

- **COMMRX**
- **COMMTX**
- **DBGACK**
- **DBGRQI**
- **DRIVEOUTBS**
- **IR[3:0]**
- **RANGEOUT0**
- **RANGEOUT1**
- **RSTCLKBS**
- **SCREG[3:0]**
- **SDIN**
- **TAPSM[3:0]**
- **TDO**
- **nTDOEN.**

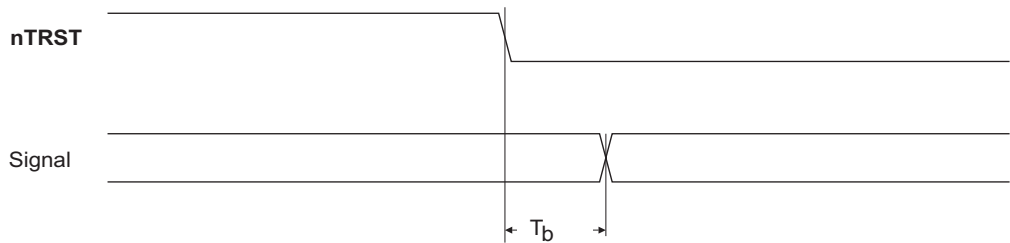


Figure 13-6 ARM920T nTRST to other signals relationship

Figure 13-7 on page 13-7 shows the JTAG output signal timing parameters.

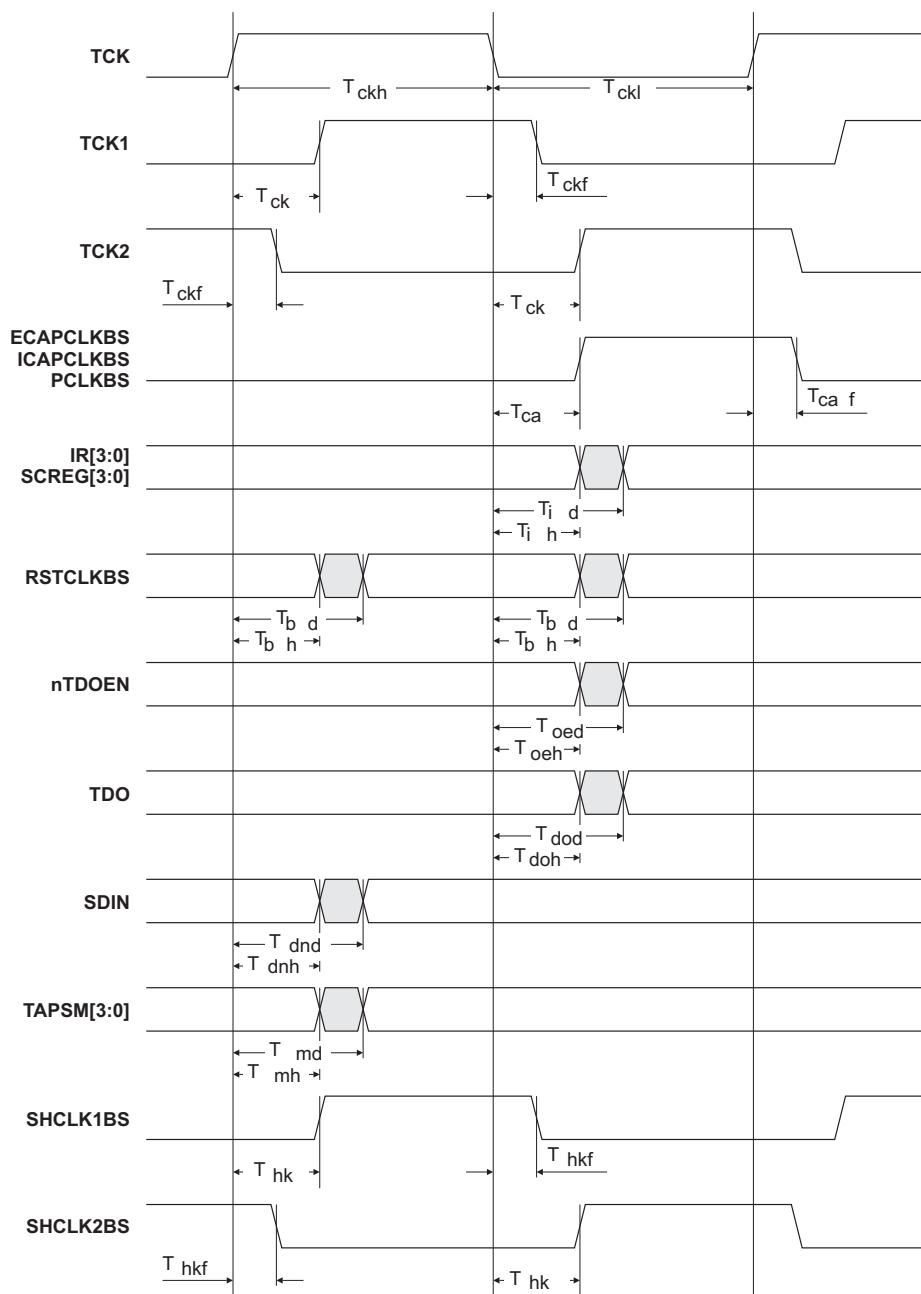


Figure 13-7 ARM920T JTAG output signal timing

Figure 13-8 shows the JTAG input signal timing parameters.

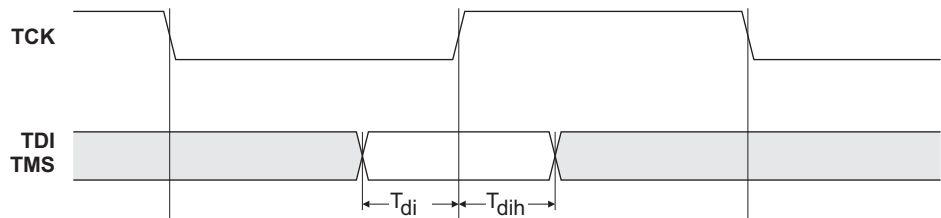


Figure 13-8 ARM920T JTAG input signal timing

Figure 13-9 on page 13-8 shows the **FCLK** related debug output timing parameters.

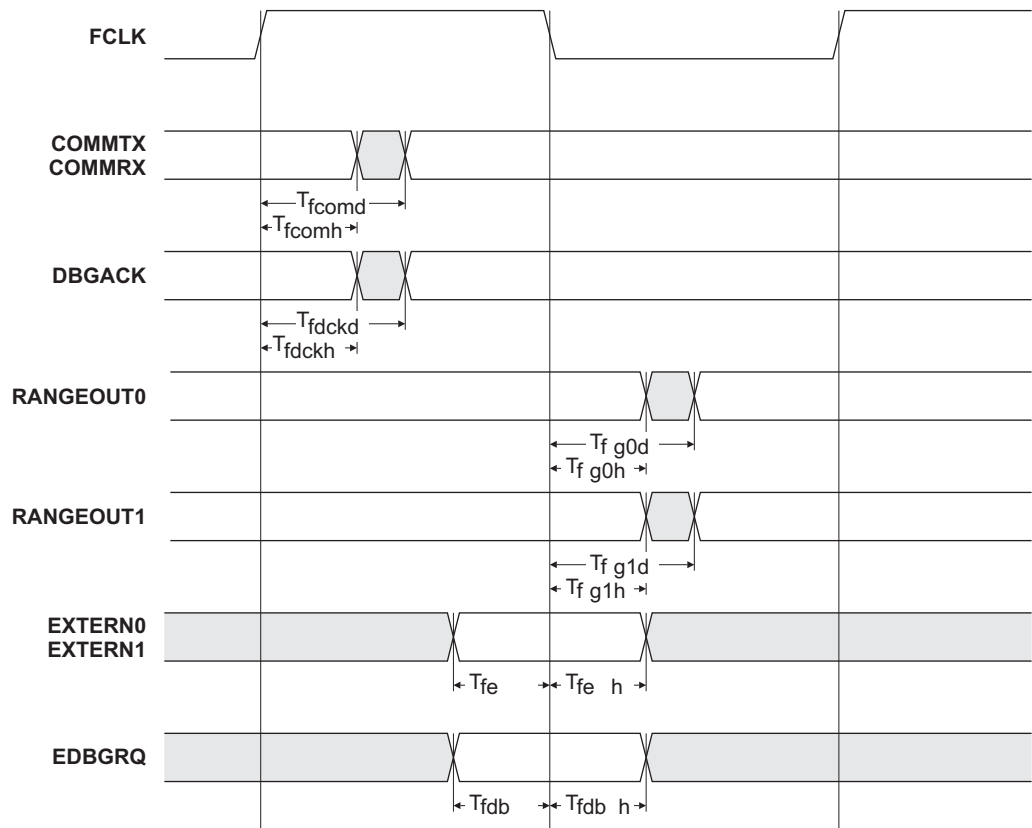


Figure 13-9 ARM920T FCLK related debug output timing

Figure 13-10 shows the **BCLK** related debug output timing parameters.

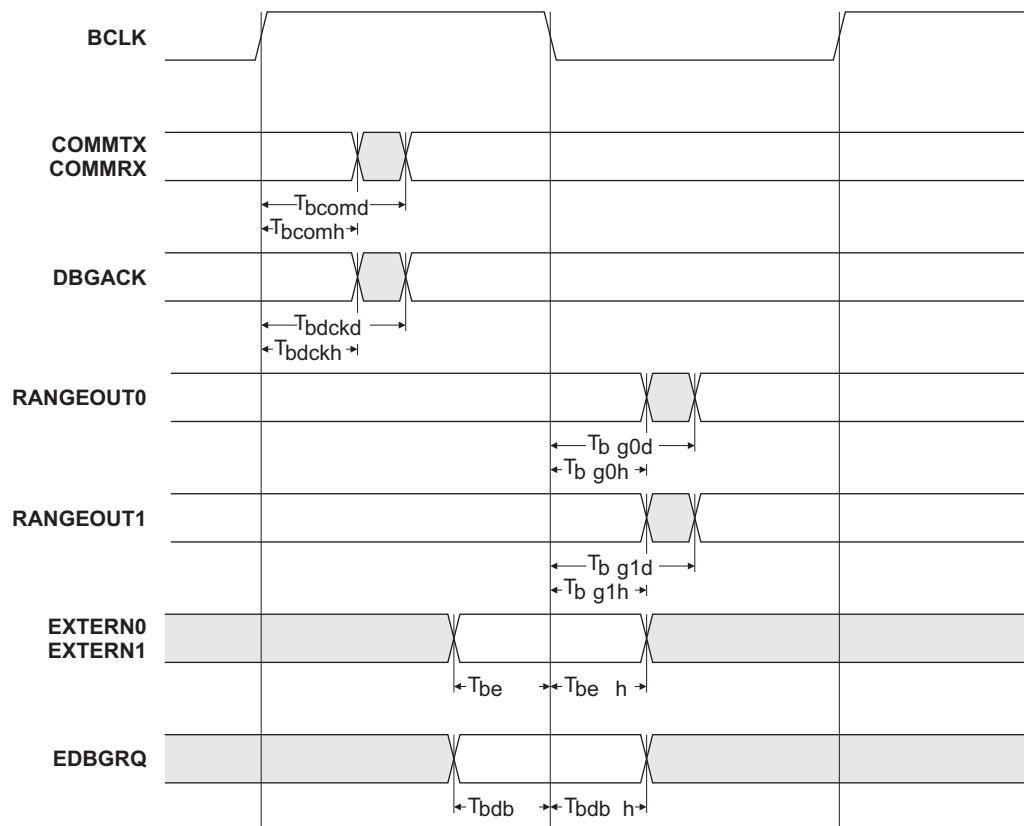


Figure 13-10 ARM920T BCLK related debug output timing

Figure 13-11 shows the **TCK** related debug output timing parameters.

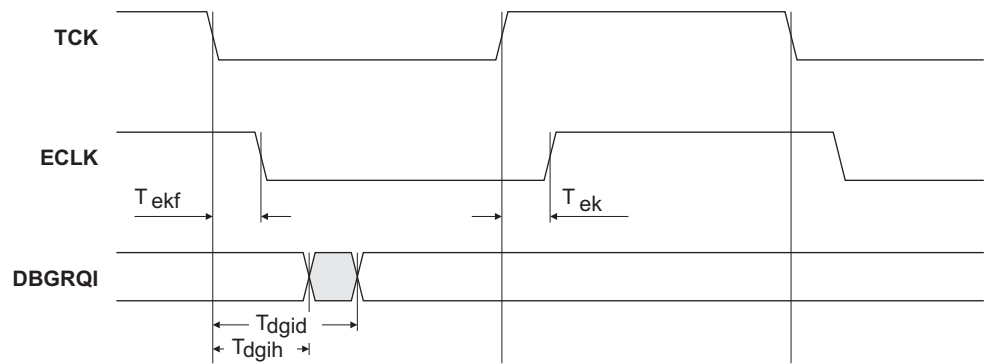


Figure 13-11 ARM920T TCK related debug output timing

Figure 13-12 shows the **EDBGRQ** to **DBGRQI** relationship.

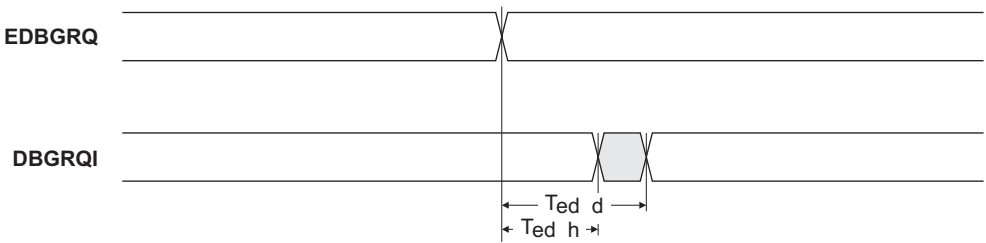


Figure 13-12 ARM920T EDBGRQ to DBGRQI relationship

Figure 13-13 shows the **DBGEN** to output relationship.

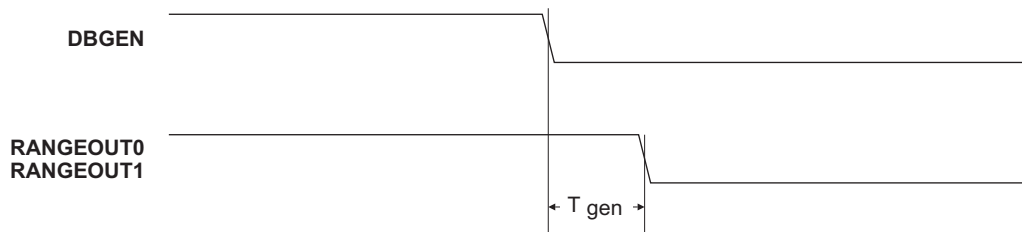


Figure 13-13 ARM920T DBGEN to output relationship

Figure 13-14 shows the **BCLK** related Trace Interface Port timing parameters.

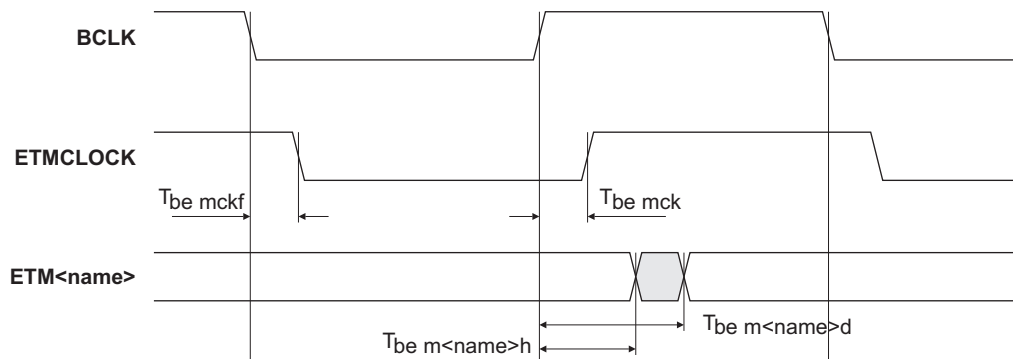


Figure 13-14 ARM920T BCLK related Trace Interface Port timing

Figure 13-15 shows the **FCLK** related Trace Interface Port timing parameters.

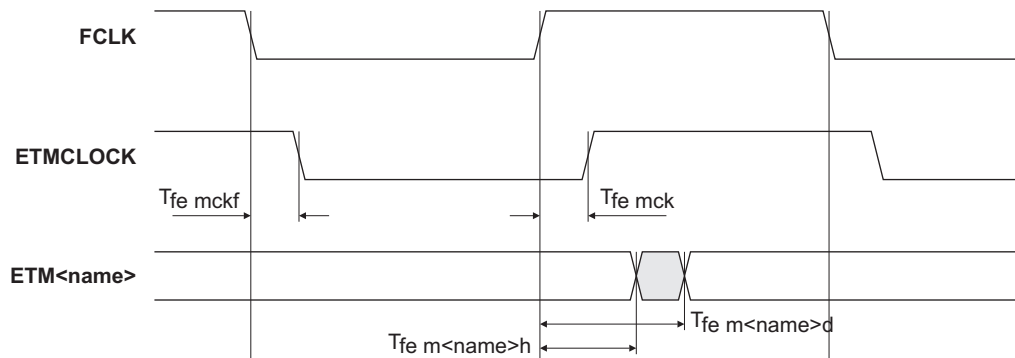


Figure 13-15 ARM920T FCLK related Trace Interface Port timing

Figure 13-16 shows the **BnRES** timing.

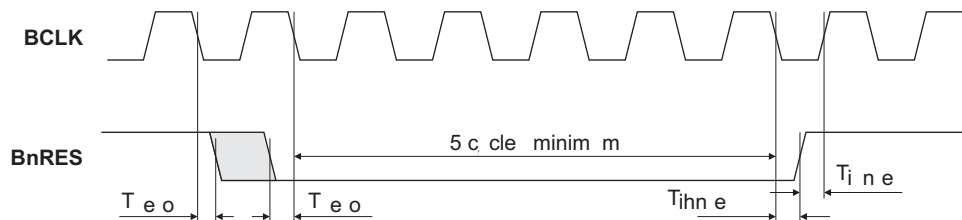


Figure 13-16 ARM920T BnRES timing

You can assert **BnRES** LOW asynchronously during either **BCLK** phase, but you must de-assert it during the **BCLK** LOW phase. You must keep **BnRES** asserted for a minimum of five **BCLK** cycles to ensure a complete reset of the ARM920T.

Figure 13-17 shows the ARM920T ASB slave transfer timing parameters.

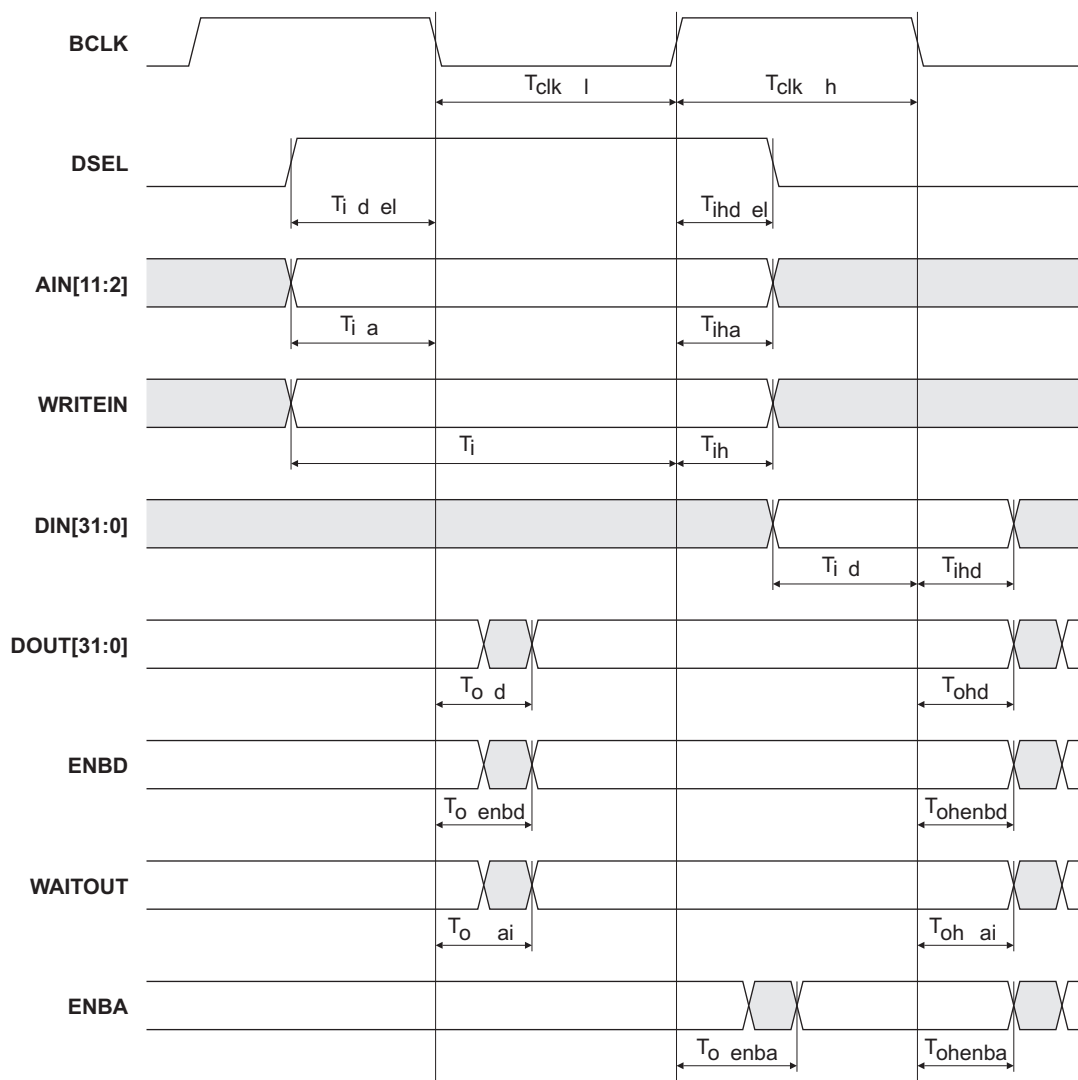


Figure 13-17 ARM920T ASB slave transfer timing

Figure 13-18 and Figure 13-19 on page 13-15 show the ARM920T ASB master transfer timing parameters.

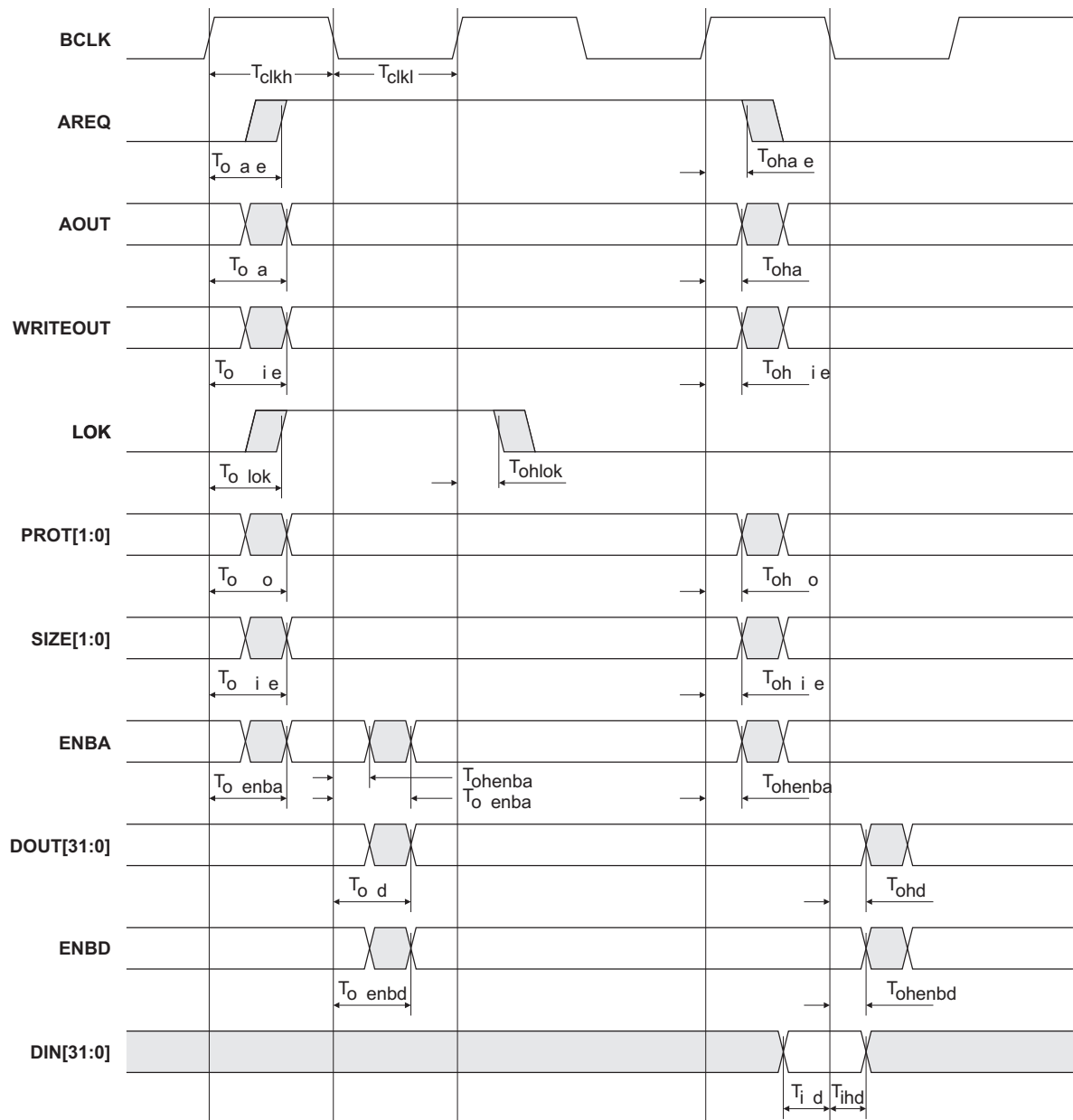


Figure 13-18 ARM920T ASB master transfer timing

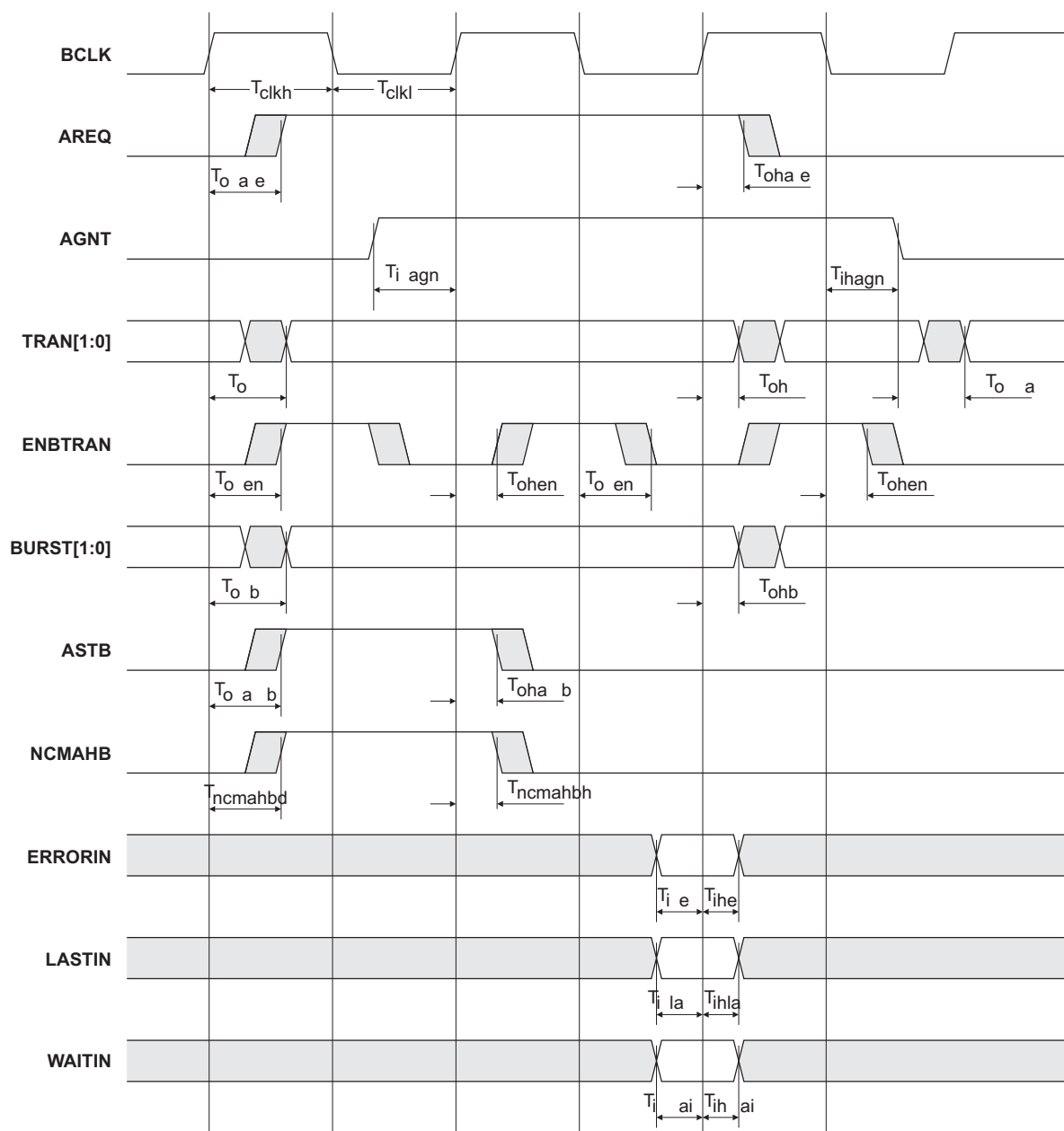


Figure 13-19 ARM920T ASB master transfer timing

13.2 ARM920T timing parameters

Table 13-1 shows the ARM920T timing parameters.

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters

Timing parameter	Description
No arcs for CPEN ^a	
No arcs for ERROROUT ^b	
No arcs for ISYNC ^a	
No arcs for LASTOUT ^b	
No arcs for TRACK ^a	
No arcs for VINITHI ^a	
T _{bbigd}	BIGENDOUT output delay from BCLK falling
T _{bbigh}	BIGENDOUT output hold from BCLK falling
T _{bcand}	CPLATECANCEL output delay from BCLK falling
T _{bcanh}	CPLATECANCEL output hold from BCLK falling
T _{bcdnh}	CPDIN[31:0] input hold from BCLK falling
T _{bcdns}	CPDIN[31:0] input setup to BCLK falling
T _{bchsdh}	CHSDE[1:0] input hold from BCLK falling
T _{bchsd}	CHSDE[1:0] input setup to BCLK falling
T _{bchseh}	CHSEX[1:0] input hold from BCLK falling
T _{bchses}	CHSEX[1:0] input setup to BCLK falling
T _{bcomd}	COMMTX/COMMRX output delay from BCLK rising
T _{bcomh}	COMMTX/COMMRX output hold from BCLK rising
T _{bcpdoutd}	CPDOUT[31:0] output delay from BCLK falling
T _{bcpdouth}	CPDOUT[31:0] output hold from BCLK falling
T _{bcpidd}	CPID[31:0] output delay from BCLK falling
T _{bcpidh}	CPID[31:0] output hold from BCLK falling

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
T_{bcpkf}	CPCLK falling output delay from BCLK falling
T_{bcpkr}	CPCLK rising output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{bcpmreqd}$	nCPMREQ output delay from BCLK falling.
$T_{bcpmreqh}$	nCPMREQ output hold from BCLK falling
$T_{bcptbitd}$	CPTBIT output delay from BCLK falling.
$T_{bcptbith}$	CPTBIT output hold from BCLK falling
T_{bdbqh}	EDBGRQ input hold from BCLK falling
T_{bdbqs}	EDBGRQ input setup to BCLK falling
T_{bdckd}	DBGACK output delay from BCLK rising
T_{bdckh}	DBGACK output hold from BCLK rising
T_{bdwph}	DEWPT input hold from BCLK rising ^c
T_{bdwps}	DEWPT input setup to BCLK rising ^c
T_{bekf}	ECLK falling output delay from BCLK falling
T_{bekr}	ECLK rising output delay from BCLK rising
T_{bexth}	EXTERN0/EXTERN1 input hold from BCLK falling
T_{bexts}	EXTERN0/EXTERN1 input setup to BCLK falling
T_{bibkh}	IEBKPT hold after BCLK rising ^c
T_{bibks}	IEBKPT input setup to BCLK rising ^c
T_{binth}	nFIQ/nIRQ input hold from BCLK falling
T_{bints}	nFIQ/nIRQ input setup to BCLK falling
T_{binxd}	INSTREXEC output delay from BCLK falling ^c
T_{binxh}	INSTREXEC output hold from BCLK falling ^c
T_{bnwtd}	nCPWAIT output delay from BCLK rising
T_{bnwth}	nCPWAIT output hold from BCLK rising

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
T_{bpasd}	CPPASS output delay from BCLK rising
T_{bpash}	CPPASS output hold from BCLK rising
T_{brg0d}	RANGEOUT0 output delay from BCLK falling
T_{brg0h}	RANGEOUT0 output hold from BCLK falling
T_{brg1d}	RANGEOUT1 output delay from BCLK falling
T_{brg1h}	RANGEOUT1 output hold from BCLK falling
T_{brst}	COMMRX/COMMTX/DBGACK/DBGIRQ/DRIVEOUTBS/IR[3:0]/RANGEOUT0/RANGEOUT1/RSTCLKBS/SCREG[3:0]/SDIN/ TAPSM[3:0]/TDO/nTDOEN output delay from nTRST falling
T_{brtd}	RSTCLKBS output delay from TCK
T_{brth}	RSTCLKBS hold time from TCK
$T_{btransd}$	nCPTRANS output delay from BCLK falling
$T_{btransh}$	nCPTRANS output hold from BCLK falling
T_{capf}	ECAPCLKBS/ICAPCLKBS/PCLKBS falling output delay from TCK rising
T_{capr}	ECAPCLKBS/ICAPCLKBS/PCLKBS rising output delay from TCK rising
T_{clkh}	BCLK minimum width HIGH phase
T_{clkl}	BCLK minimum width LOW phase
$T_{clktsth}$	BCLK minimum width HIGH phase in AMBA test mode
$T_{clktstl}$	BCLK minimum width LOW phase in AMBA test mode
T_{debugd}	COMMRX/COMMTX/DBGACK/DBGIRQ/RANGEOUT0/RANGEOUT1 output delay from TCK when in debug state ^c
T_{debugh}	COMMRX/COMMTX/DBGACK/DBGIRQ/RANGEOUT0/RANGEOUT1 output hold from TCK when in debug state ^c
T_{dgid}	DBGIRQ output delay from TCK falling

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
$T_{dgi h}$	DBGRQI output hold from TCK falling
T_{dih}	TDI/TMS input hold from TCK rising
T_{dis}	TDI/TMS input setup to TCK rising
T_{drbsd}	DRIVEOUTBS output delay from TCK falling ^c
T_{drbsh}	DRIVEOUTBS output hold from TCK falling ^c
T_{edqd}	DBGRQI output delay from EDBGRQ rising or falling
T_{edqh}	DBGRQI output hold from EDBGRQ rising or falling
T_{fbigd}	BIGENDOUT output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fbigh}	BIGENDOUT output hold from FCLK falling
T_{fcand}	CPLATECANCEL output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fcanh}	CPLATECANCEL output hold from FCLK falling
T_{fcdnh}	CPDIN[31:0] input hold from FCLK falling
T_{fcdns}	CPDIN[31:0] input setup to FCLK falling
$T_{fchs dh}$	CHSDE[1:0] input hold to FCLK falling
$T_{fchs ds}$	CHSDE[1:0] input setup to FCLK falling
T_{fchseh}	CHSEX[1:0] input hold to FCLK falling
T_{fchses}	CHSEX[1:0] input setup to FCLK falling
T_{felkh}	FCLK minimum width HIGH phase
T_{felkl}	FCLK minimum width LOW phase
T_{fcomd}	COMMTX/RX output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fcomh}	COMMTX/RX output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fcpdoutd}$	CPOUT[31:0] output delay from FCLK falling
$T_{fcpdouth}$	CPOUT[31:0] output hold from FCLK falling
T_{fcpidd}	CPID[31:0] output delay from FCLK falling

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
T_{fcpidh}	CPID[31:0] output hold from FCLK falling
T_{fcpkf}	CPCLK falling output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fcpkr}	CPCLK rising output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fcpmreqd}	nCPMREQ output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fcpmreqh}	nCPMREQ output hold time from FCLK falling
T_{fcptbitd}	CPTBIT output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fcptbith}	CPTBIT output hold time from FCLK falling
T_{fdbqh}	EDBGRQ input hold from FCLK falling
T_{fdbqs}	EDBGRQ input setup to FCLK falling
T_{fdckd}	DBGACK output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fdckh}	DBGACK output hold from FCLK rising
T_{fdwph}	DEWPT input hold from FCLK rising ^c
T_{fdwps}	DEWPT input setup to FCLK rising ^c
T_{fekf}	ECLK falling output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fekr}	ECLK rising output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fexth}	EXTERN0/1 output hold after FCLK falling
T_{fexts}	EXTERN0/1 input setup to FCLK falling
T_{ffkf}	FCLKOUT falling output delay from FCLK falling
T_{ffkr}	FCLKOUT rising output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fibkh}	IEBKPT input hold from FCLK rising ^c
T_{fibks}	IEBKPT input setup to FCLK rising ^c
T_{finth}	nFIQ/nIRQ input hold from FCLK falling
T_{fints}	nFIQ/nIRQ input setup to FCLK falling
T_{finxd}	INSTREXEC output delay from FCLK falling ^c

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
T_{finxh}	INSTREXEC output hold from FCLK falling ^c
T_{fnwtd}	nCPWAIT output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fnwth}	nCPWAIT output hold from FCLK rising
T_{fpasd}	CPPASS output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fpash}	CPPASS output hold from FCLK rising
T_{frg0d}	RANGEOUT0 output delay from FCLK falling
T_{frg0h}	RANGEOUT0 output hold from FCLK falling
T_{frg1d}	RANGEOUT1 output delay from FCLK falling
T_{frg1h}	RANGEOUT1 output hold from FCLK falling
$T_{ftransd}$	nCPTRANS output delay from FCLK falling
$T_{ftransh}$	nCPTRANS output hold time from FCLK falling
T_{iha}	AIN[11:2] input hold from BCLK rising
T_{ihagnt}	AGNT input hold from BCLK falling
T_{ihd}	DIN[31:0] input hold from BCLK falling
T_{ihdsel}	DSEL input hold from BCLK rising
T_{iherr}	ERRORIN input hold from BCLK rising
T_{ihlast}	LASTIN input hold from BCLK rising
T_{ihnres}	BnRES input rising hold from BCLK falling
T_{ihwait}	WAITIN input hold from BCLK rising
T_{ihwr}	WRITEIN input hold from BCLK rising
T_{irsd}	IREG[3:0]/SCREG[3:0] output delay from TCK falling
T_{irsh}	IREG[3:0]/SCREG[3:0] output hold from TCK falling
T_{isa}	AIN[11:2] input setup to BCLK falling
T_{isagnt}	AGNT input setup to BCLK rising

T_{isd}	DIN[31:0] input setup to BCLK falling
$T_{isd\text{sel}}$	DSEL input setup to BCLK falling
T_{iserr}	ERRORIN input setup to BCLK rising
T_{islast}	LASTIN input setup to BCLK rising
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Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
T _{ova}	AOUT[31:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovareq}	AREQ output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovastb}	ASTB output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovbst}	BURST[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovd}	DOUT[31:0] output delay from BCLK falling
T _{ovenba}	ENBA output delay from BCLK rising or falling
T _{ovenbd}	ENBD output delay from BCLK falling
T _{ovensr}	ENSR output delay from BCLK rising or falling
T _{oventr}	ENBTRAN output delay from BCLK rising or falling
T _{ovlok}	LOK output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovprot}	PROT[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovsize}	SIZE[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovtr}	TRAN[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T _{ovtra}	TRAN[1:0] output delay from AGNT rising or falling
T _{ovwait}	WAITOUT output delay from BCLK falling
T _{ovwrite}	WRITEOUT output delay from BCLK rising
T _{r_{gen}}	RANGEOUT0/RANGEOUT1 falling output delay from DBGEN falling
T _{sdnd}	SDIN output delay from TCK falling
T _{sdnh}	SDIN output hold from TCK falling
T _{shkf}	SHCLK1BS falling output delay from TCK falling ^d
T _{shkf}	SHCLK2BS falling output delay from TCK rising ^d
T _{shkr}	SHCLK1BS rising output delay from TCK rising ^d
T _{shkr}	SHCLK2BS rising output delay from TCK falling ^d
T _{tckf}	TCK1 falling output delay from TCK falling ^e

Table 13-1 ARM920T timing parameters (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
T_{tckf}	TCK2 falling output delay from TCK rising ^e
T_{tckh}	TCK minimum width HIGH phase
T_{tckl}	TCK minimum width LOW phase
T_{tckr}	TCK1 rising output delay from TCK rising ^e
T_{tckr}	TCK2 rising output delay from TCK falling ^e
T_{tdod}	TDO output delay from TCK falling
T_{tdoh}	TDO output hold from TCK falling
T_{tdsd}	TDO output delay from SDOUTBS rising or falling
T_{tdsh}	TDO output hold from SDOUTBS rising or falling
T_{tekf}	ECLK falling output delay from TCK falling
T_{tekr}	ECLK rising output delay from TCK rising
T_{ticd}	COMMRX/COMMTX/DBGACK/DBGIRQ/DRIVEOUTBS/ECAPCLKBS/ECLK/FCLKOUT/ICAPCLKBS/IR[3:0]/RANGEOUT0/RANGEOUT1/RSTCLKBS/SCREG[3:0]/SDIN/SHCLK1BS/SHCLK2BS/TAPSM[3:0]/TCK1/TCK2/TDO/nTDOEN generic output delay from BCLK during AMBA test ^c
T_{tich}	COMMRX/COMMTX/DBGACK/DBGIRQ/DRIVEOUTBS/ECAPCLKBS/ECLK/FCLKOUT/ICAPCLKBS/IR[3:0]/RANGEOUT0/RANGEOUT1/RSTCLKBS/SCREG[3:0]/SDIN/SHCLK1BS/SHCLK2BS/TAPSM[3:0]/TCK1/TCK2/TDO/nTDOEN generic output hold from BCLK during AMBA test ^c
T_{toed}	nTDOEN output delay from TCK falling
T_{toeh}	nTDOEN output hold from TCK falling
T_{tpmd}	TAPSM[3:0] output delay from TCK falling
T_{tpmh}	TAPSM[3:0] output hold from TCK falling
T_{zero}	BnRES falling setup to BCLK falling ^f
T_{zero}	BnRES falling hold from BCLK falling ^f

- a. It is assumed that this signal is static.
- b. Permanently driven to 0.
- c. This timing parameter is not shown in any diagram in this chapter.
- d. Tshkr is greater than Tshkf to ensure non-overlapping **SHCLK1BS** and **SHCLK2BS**.
- e. Tckr is greater than Ttckf to ensure non-overlapping **TCK1** and **TCK2**.
- f. This parameter is always zero because the timing arcs refer to asynchronous assertion.

13.3 Timing definitions for the ARM920T Trace Interface Port

Table 13-2 shows the timing parameters of signals used with the ARM920T Trace Interface Port.

Table 13-2 ARM920T Trace Interface Port timing definitions

Timing parameter	Description
No arcs for ETMPWRDOWN	-
$T_{\text{betmbigendd}}$	ETMBIGEND output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmbigendh}}$	ETMBIGEND output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmchsdd}}$	ETMCHSD[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmchsdh}}$	ETMCHSD[1:0] hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmchsed}}$	ETMCHSE[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmchseh}}$	ETMCHSE[1:0] hold from BCLK rising
T_{betmckf}	ETMCLOCK falling output delay from BCLK falling
T_{betmckr}	ETMCLOCK rising output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdabortd}}$	ETMDABORT output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdabort h}}$	ETMDABORT output hold from BCLK rising
T_{betmdad}	ETMDA[31:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T_{betmdah}	ETMDA[31:0] output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdbgackd}}$	ETMDBGACK output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdbgackh}}$	ETMDBGACK output hold from BCLK rising
T_{betmddd}	ETMDD[31:0] output delay from BCLK rising
T_{betmddh}	ETMDD[31:0] output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdmasd}}$	ETMDMAS[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdmash}}$	ETMDMAS[1:0] output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdmored}}$	ETMDMORE output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdmoreh}}$	ETMDMORE output hold from BCLK rising

Table 13-2 ARM920T Trace Interface Port timing definitions (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
$T_{\text{betmdnmreqd}}$	ETMDnMREQ output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdnmreqh}}$	ETMDnMREQ output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdnrwd}}$	ETMDnRW output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdnrwh}}$	ETMDnRW output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdseqd}}$	ETMDSEQ output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmdseqh}}$	ETMDSEQ output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmhivecsd}}$	ETMHIVECS output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmhivecsh}}$	ETMHIVECS output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmiabordd}}$	ETMIABORT output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmiaborth}}$	ETMIABORT output hold from BCLK rising
T_{betmiad}	ETMIA[31:1] output delay from BCLK rising
T_{betmiah}	ETMIA[31:1] output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmid15to8d}}$	ETMID15TO8[15:8] output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmid15to8h}}$	ETMID15TO8[15:8] output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmid31to24d}}$	ETMID31TO24[31:24] output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmid31to24h}}$	ETMID31TO24[31:24] output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betminmreqd}}$	ETMInMREQ output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betminmreqh}}$	ETMInMREQ output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betminstrexeed}}$	ETMINSTREXEC output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betminstrexech}}$	ETMINSTREXEC output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmiseqd}}$	ETMISEQ output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmiseqh}}$	ETMISEQ output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmitbitd}}$	ETMITBIT output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmitbith}}$	ETMITBIT output hold from BCLK rising

Table 13-2 ARM920T Trace Interface Port timing definitions (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
$T_{\text{betmlatecanceld}}$	ETMLATECANCEL output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmlatecancelh}}$	ETMLATECANCEL output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmnwaitd}}$	ETMnWAIT output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmnwait h}}$	ETMnWAIT output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmpassd}}$	ETMPASS output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmpassh}}$	ETMPASS output hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmrngoutd}}$	ETMRNGOUT[1:0] output delay from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{betmrngouth}}$	ETMRNGOUT[1:0] hold from BCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmbigendd}}$	ETMBIGEND output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmbigendh}}$	ETMBIGEND output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmchsdd}}$	ETMCHSD[1:0] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmchs dh}}$	ETMCHSD[1:0] output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmchsed}}$	ETMCHSE[1:0] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmchseh}}$	ETMCHSE[1:0] output hold from FCLK rising
T_{fetmckf}	FETMCLOCK falling output delay from FCLK falling
T_{fetmckr}	FETMCLOCK rising output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmdabortd}}$	ETMDABORT output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmdaborth}}$	ETMDABORT output hold from FCLK rising
T_{fetmdad}	ETMDA[31:0] output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fetmdah}	ETMDA[31:0] output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmdbgackd}}$	ETMDBGACK output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmdbgackh}}$	ETMDBGACK output hold from FCLK rising
T_{fetmddd}	ETMDD[31:0] output delay from FCLK rising
T_{fetmddh}	ETMDD[31:0] output hold from FCLK rising

Table 13-2 ARM920T Trace Interface Port timing definitions (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
$T_{fetmdmasd}$	ETMDMAS[1:0] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdmash}$	ETMDMAS[1:0] output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdmored}$	ETMDMORE output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdmoreh}$	ETMDMORE output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdnmreqd}$	ETMDnMREQ output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdnmreqh}$	ETMDnMREQ output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdnrwd}$	ETMDnRW output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdnrwh}$	ETMDnRW output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdseqd}$	ETMDSEQ output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmdseqh}$	ETMDSEQ output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmhivecsd}$	ETMHIVECS output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmhivecsh}$	ETMHIVECS output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmiabord}$	ETMIABORT output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmiaborth}$	ETMIABORT output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmiad}$	ETMIA[31:1] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmiah}$	ETMIA[31:1] output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmid15to8d}$	ETMID15TO8[15:8] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmid15to8h}$	ETMID15TO8[15:8] output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmid31to24d}$	ETMID31TO24[31:24] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetmid31to24h}$	ETMID31TO24[31:24] output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetminmreqd}$	ETMinMREQ output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetminmreqh}$	ETMinMREQ output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{fetminstrexc d}$	ETMINSTREXEC output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{fetminstrexc h}$	ETMINSTREXEC output hold from FCLK rising

Table 13-2 ARM920T Trace Interface Port timing definitions (continued)

Timing parameter	Description
$T_{\text{fetmiseqd}}$	ETMISEQ output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmiseqh}}$	ETMISEQ output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmitbitd}}$	ETMITBIT output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmitbith}}$	ETMITBIT output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmlatecanceld}}$	ETMLATECANCEL output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmlatecancelh}}$	ETMLATECANCEL output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmnwaitd}}$	ETMnWAIT output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmnwait h}}$	ETMnWAIT output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmpassd}}$	ETMPASS output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmpassh}}$	ETMPASS output hold from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmrngoutd}}$	ETMRNGOUT[1:0] output delay from FCLK rising
$T_{\text{fetmrngouth}}$	ETMRNGOUT[1:0] output hold from FCLK rising

Appendix A

Signal Descriptions

This appendix describes the ARM920T signals. It contains the following sections:

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A.1 AMBA signals

Table A-1 shows the ARM920T AMBA signals.

Table A-1 AMBA signals

Name	Direction	Description
AGNT	Input	Bus grant. A signal from the bus arbiter to a bus master that indicates that the bus master is granted the bus when WAITIN is LOW.
AIN[11:2]	Input	Address input bus. Used for addressing the ARM920T processor as a slave during AMBA test.
AOUT[31:0]	Output	Address output bus. The processor address bus, that is driven by the active bus master.
AREQ	Output	Bus request. A signal from the bus master to the bus arbiter that indicates that the ARM920T processor requires the bus.
ASTB	Output	Indicates a non-idle A-TRAN cycle.
BCLK	Input	Bus clock. This clock times all bus transfers. Both the LOW phase and HIGH phase of BCLK control transfers on the bus.
BnRES	Input	ARM920T processor reset. You can assert BnRES LOW asynchronously during either BCLK phase, but you must de-assert it during the BCLK LOW phase. You must keep BnRES asserted for a minimum of five BCLK cycles to ensure a complete reset of the ARM920T processor.
BURST[1:0]	Output	Burst access. These signals indicate the length of a burst transfer. The encoding is: 00 = no burst or undefined burst length 01 = current access is part of a burst of 4-word transfers 10 = current access is part of a burst of 8-word transfers 11 = no burst or undefined burst length.
DIN[31:0]	Input	Data input bus.
DOUT[31:0]	Output	Data output bus.
DSEL	Input	Slave select. This signal is used during test within the AMBA system and allows the ARM920T processor to be selected and to have test vectors applied to it.
ENBA	Output	Tristate enable for AOUT , WRITEOUT , LOK , PROT , and SIZE onto an AMBA address bus and AMBA request signals.
ENBD	Output	Tristate enable for DOUT onto an AMBA data bus.
ENBTRAN	Output	Tristate enable for TRAN onto AMBA BTRAN .

ENSR	Output	Tristate enable for ERROROUT , LASTOUT , and WAITOUT onto AMBA response signals.
ERRORIN	Input	Error response. A transfer error is indicated by the selected bus slave using the ERRORIN signal. When ERRORIN is HIGH, a transfer error has occurred. When ERRORIN is LOW, the transfer is successful. This signal is also used in combination with the LASTIN signal to indicate a bus retract operation.
ERROROUT	Output	AMBA ERROR response of the ARM920T slave during AMBA test.
LASTIN	Input	Last response. This signal is driven by the selected bus slave to indicate if the

Table A-1 AMBA signals (continued)

Name	Direction	Description
TRAN[1:0]	Output	Transfer type. These signals indicate the type of the next transaction: 00 = an address-only transfer 01 = a nonsequential transfer 11 = a sequential transfer 01 reserved.
WAITIN	Input	Wait response. This signal is driven by the selected bus slave to indicate if the current transfer can complete. If WAITIN is HIGH, another bus cycle is required. If WAITIN is LOW, the transfer completes in the current bus cycle.
WAITOUT	Output	AMBA WAIT response of the ARM920T slave during AMBA test.
WRITEIN	Input	Transfer direction. When HIGH, this signal indicates a write transfer. When LOW, a read transfer.
WRITEOUT	Output	Transfer direction. When HIGH, this signal indicates a write transfer. When LOW, a read transfer.

A.1.1 AMBA bus specification

The ARM920T processor has a unidirectional AMBA-compatible bus interface. See the *AMBA Specification (Rev 2.0)* for full details.

A.2 Coprocessor interface signals

Table A-2 shows the ARM920T coprocessor interface signals.

Table A-2 Coprocessor interface signals

Name	Direction	Description
CHSDE[1:0]	Input	Coprocessor handshake decode. The handshake signals from the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline follower.
CHSEX[1:0]	Input	Coprocessor handshake execute. The handshake signals from the Execute stage of the coprocessor pipeline follower.
CPCLK	Output	Coprocessor clock. This clock controls the operation of the coprocessor interface.
CPDOUT[31:0]	Output	Coprocessor data out. The coprocessor data bus for transferring MCR and LDC data to the coprocessor.
CPDIN[31:0]	Input	Coprocessor data in. The coprocessor data bus for transferring MRC and STC data from the coprocessor to the ARM920T processor.
CPEN	Input	Coprocessor data out enable. When tied LOW, the CPID and CPDOUT buses are held stable. When tied HIGH, the CPID and CPDOUT buses are enabled. It is expected that this pin is used statically.
CPID[31:0]	Output	Coprocessor instruction data. This is the coprocessor instruction data bus used for transferring instructions to the pipeline follower in the coprocessor.
CPLATECANCEL	Output	Coprocessor late cancel. When a coprocessor instruction is being executed, if this signal is HIGH during the first Memory cycle, the coprocessor instruction must be canceled without having updated the coprocessor state.
nCPMREQ	Output	Not coprocessor memory request. When LOW on a rising CPCLK edge and nCPWAIT LOW, the instruction on CPID enters the Decode stage of the coprocessor pipeline follower. The second instruction previously in the Decode stage of the pipeline follower enters its Execute stage.
CPPASS	Output	Coprocessor pass. This signal indicates that there is a coprocessor instruction in the Execute stage of the pipeline, and it must be executed.

Table A-2 Coprocessor interface signals (continued)

Name	Direction	Description
CPTBIT	Output	Coprocessor Thumb bit. If HIGH, the coprocessor interface is in Thumb state.
nCPTRANS	Output	Not coprocessor translate. When LOW, the coprocessor interface is in a nonprivileged mode. When HIGH, the coprocessor interface is in a privileged mode. The coprocessor samples this signal on every cycle when determining the coprocessor response.
nCPWAIT	Output	Not coprocessor wait. The coprocessor clock CPCLK is qualified by nCPWAIT to allow the ARM920T processor to control the transfer of data on the coprocessor interface. nCPWAIT changes while CPCLK is HIGH.

For more information on the coprocessor interface see Chapter 7 *Coprocessor Interface*.

A.3 JTAG and TAP controller signals

Table A-3 shows the ARM920T JTAG and TAP controller signals.

Table A-3 JTAG and TAP controller signals

Name	Direction	Description
DRIVEOUTBS	Output	Boundary scan cell enable. This signal controls the multiplexors in the scan cells of an external boundary scan chain. This signal changes in the UPDATE-IR state when scan chain 3 is selected, and either the INTEST, EXTEST, CLAMP, or CLAMPZ instruction is loaded. If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must leave this output unconnected.
ECAPCLKBS	Output	Extest capture clock for boundary scan. This is a TCK2 wide pulse generated when the TAP controller state machine is in the CAPTURE-DR state, the current instruction is EXTEST, and scan chain 3 is selected. This signal captures the chip-level inputs during EXTEST. If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must leave this output unconnected.
ICAPCLKBS	Output	Intest capture clock. This is a TCK2 wide pulse generated when the TAP controller state machine is in the CAPTURE-DR state, the current instruction is INTEST, and scan chain 3 is selected. This signal captures the chip-level outputs during INTEST. If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must leave this output unconnected.
IR[3:0]	Output	Tap controller instruction register. These four bits reflect the current instruction loaded into the TAP controller instruction register. The bits change on the falling edge of TCK when the state machine is in the UPDATE-IR state.
PCLKBS	Output	Boundary scan update clock. This is a TCK2 wide pulse generated when the TAP controller state machine is in the UPDATE-DR state, and scan chain 3 is selected. This signal is used by an external boundary scan chain as the update clock. If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must leave this output unconnected.
RSTCLKBS	Output	Boundary scan reset clock. This signal denotes that either the TAP controller state machine is in the RESET state, or that nTRST has been asserted. You can use this to reset external boundary scan cells.
SCREG[4:0]	Output	Scan chain register. These five bits reflect the ID number of the scan chain currently selected by the TAP controller. These bits change on the falling edge of TCK when the TAP state machine is in the UPDATE-DR state.
SDIN	Output	Boundary scan serial input data. This signal contains the serial data to be applied to an external scan chain, and is valid around the falling edge of TCK .
SDOUTBS	Input	Boundary scan serial output data. This is the serial data out of the boundary scan chain (or other external scan chain). It must be set up to the rising edge of TCK . If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must tie this input LOW.

Table A-3 JTAG and TAP controller signals (continued)

Name	Direction	Description
SHCLK1BS	Output	Boundary scan shift clock phase 1. This control signal eases the connection of an external boundary scan chain. SHCLK1BS clocks the master half of the external scan cells. When in the SHIFT-DR state of the state machine and scan chain 3 is selected, SHCLK1BS follows TCK1 . When not in the SHIFT-DR state, or when scan chain 3 is not selected, this clock is LOW. If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must leave this output unconnected.
SHCLK2BS	Output	Boundary scan shift clock phase 2. This control signal eases the connection of an external boundary scan chain. SHCLK2BS clocks the slave half of the external scan cells. When in the SHIFT-DR state of the state machine and scan chain 3 is selected, SHCLK2BS follows TCK2 . When not in the SHIFT-DR state, or when scan chain 3 is not selected, this clock is LOW. If you do not connect an external boundary scan chain, you must leave this output unconnected.
TAPID[31:0]	Input	This is the ARM920T device identification (ID) code test data register, accessible from the scan chains. You must tie this to an appropriate value when you instantiate the device: 31:28 Functionality revision 27:12 Product code 11:1 Manufacturer identity 0 IEEE specified = 1.
TAPSM[3:0]	Output	TAP controller state machine. This bus reflects the current state of the TAP controller state machine. These bits change off the rising edge of TCK .
TCK	Input	Test clock. The JTAG clock (the test clock).
TCK1	Output	TCK , phase 1. TCK1 is HIGH when TCK is HIGH, although there is a slight phase lag due to the internal clock non-overlap.
TCK2	Output	TCK , Phase 2. TCK2 is HIGH when TCK is LOW, although there is a slight phase lag due to the internal clock non-overlap.
TDI	Input	Test data input. JTAG serial input.
TDO	Output	Test data output. JTAG serial output.

Table A-3 JTAG and TAP controller signals (continued)

Name	Direction	Description
nTDOEN	Output	Not TDO enable. When HIGH, this signal denotes that serial data is being driven out on the TDO output. nTDOEN is normally used as an output enable for a TDO pin in a packaged part.
TMS	Input	Test mode select. TMS selects the state that the TAP controller state machine must change to.
nTRST	Input	Not test reset. Active LOW reset signal for the boundary scan logic. This pin must be pulsed or driven LOW to achieve normal device operation, in addition to the normal device reset (BnRES).

A.4 Debug signals

Table A-4 shows the ARM920T debug signals.

Table A-4 Debug signals

Name	Direction	Description
COMMRX	Output	Communications channel receive. When HIGH, this signal denotes that the comms channel receive buffer contains data waiting to be read by the processor core.
COMMTX	Output	Communications channel transmit. When HIGH, this signal denotes that the comms channel transmit buffer is empty.
DBGACK	Output	Debug acknowledge. When HIGH, this signal indicates the ARM is in debug state.
DBGEN	Input	Debug enable. This input signal allows the debug features of the ARM920T processor to be disabled. This signal must be LOW only when debugging is not required.
DBGRQI	Output	Internal debug request. This signal represents the debug request signal that is presented to the processor core. This is a combination of EDBGRQ , as presented to the ARM920T processor, and bit 1 of the debug control register.
DEWPT	Input	External watchpoint. This signal allows external data watchpoints to be implemented.
ECLK	Output	External clock output.
EDBGRQ	Input	External debug request. When driven HIGH, this causes the processor to enter debug state when execution of the current instruction has completed.
EXTERN0	Input	External input 0. This is an input to watchpoint unit 0 of the EmbeddedICE logic in the processor, and allows breakpoints or watchpoints to be dependent on an external condition.
EXTERN1	Input	External input 1. This is an input to watchpoint unit 1 of the EmbeddedICE logic in the processor, and allows breakpoints or watchpoints to be dependent on an external condition.
IEBKPT	Input	External breakpoint. This signal allows an external instruction breakpoints to be implemented.
INSTREXEC	Output	Instruction executed. Indicates that in the previous cycle, the instruction in the Execute stage of the pipeline passed its condition codes, and has been executed.

Table A-4 Debug signals (continued)

Name	Direction	Description
RANGEOUT0	Output	EmbeddedICE rangeout 0. This signal indicates that the EmbeddedICE watchpoint unit 0 has matched the conditions currently present on the address, data, and control buses. This signal is independent of the state of the watchpoint unit enable control bit.
RANGEOUT1	Output	EmbeddedICE rangeout 1. This signal indicates that the EmbeddedICE watchpoint unit 1 has matched the conditions currently present on the address, data, and control buses. This signal is independent of the state of the watchpoint unit enable control bit.
TRACK	Input	Enable TrackingICE mode. Driving this signal HIGH places the ARM920T processor into tracking mode for debugging purposes.

A.5 Miscellaneous signals

Table A-5 shows the ARM920T miscellaneous signals.

Table A-5 Miscellaneous signals

Name	Direction	Description
BIGENDOUT	Output	Big-endian output. When HIGH, the ARM920T processor is operating in big-endian configuration. When LOW, it is in little-endian configuration.
FCLKOUT	Output	Buffered version of FCLK input.
FCLK	Input	Fast clock. The fast clock input is used when the ARM920T processor is in the synchronous or asynchronous clocking mode.
VINITHI	Input	Determines the state of CP15 Register 1 V-Bit in reset. When HIGH, V-Bit is 1 coming out of reset. When LOW, V-Bit is 0 coming out of reset.
ISYNC	Input	Synchronous interrupts. When HIGH, interrupts must be applied synchronously.
nFIQ	Input	Not fast interrupt request. This is the not fast interrupt request (nFIQ) signal.
nIRQ	Input	Not interrupt request. This is the not interrupt request (nIRQ) signal.

A.6 ARM920T Trace Interface Port signals

Table A-6 shows the ARM920T Trace Interface Port signals

Table A-6 Trace signals

Name	Direction	
ETMBIGEND	Output	The signal driving the ARM9TDMI core BIGEND/BIGENDIAN input. When HIGH, the processor treats bytes in memory as big-endian format. When LOW, memory is treated as little-endian. This is a static configuration signal.
ETMCHSD[1:0]	Output	The coprocessor handshake decode bus driven into the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMCHSE[1:0]	Output	The coprocessor handshake execute bus driven into the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMCLOCK	Output	This clock times all operations in the ETM9. All outputs change from the rising edge and all inputs are sampled on the rising edge. The clock can be stretched in either phase.
ETMDA[31:0]	Output	The processor data MVA bus driven by the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMDABORT	Output	The Data Abort signal driven into the ARM9TDMI core. The DABORT signal is used to tell the processor that the requested data memory access is not allowed.
ETMDBGACK	Output	The debug acknowledge signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. When HIGH this signal indicates that the ARM9TDMI core is in debug state.
ETMDD[31:0]	Output	The DD bus driven within the ARM920T processor.
ETMDMAS[1:0]	Output	The data memory access size bus driven by the ARM9TDMI core. These encode the size of a data memory access in the following cycle.
ETMDMORE	Output	The data control signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If HIGH at the end of the cycle then the data memory access is directly followed by a sequential data memory access.

Table A-6 Trace signals (continued)

Name	Direction	
ETMDnMREQ	Output	The data memory request signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If LOW at the end of a cycle then the processor requires a data memory access in the following cycle.
ETMDnRW	Output	The data read/write signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If LOW at the end of a cycle then any data memory access in the following cycle is a read. If HIGH, then it is a write.
ETMDSEQ	Output	The data sequential address signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If HIGH at the end of the cycle then any data memory access in the following cycle is sequential from the last data memory access.
ETMHIVECS	Output	The signal driving the ARM9TDMI core HIVECS input. When LOW the ARM exception vectors start at address 0x0000 0000. When HIGH, the ARM exception vectors start at address 0xFFFF 0000. This is a static configuration signal.
ETMIA[31:1]	Output	The instruction MVA bus driven by the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMIABORT	Output	The instruction abort signal driven into the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMID15To8[15:8]	Output	A section from the ID input bus driven into the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMID31To24[31:24]	Output	A section from the ID input bus driven into the ARM9TDMI core.
ETMInMREQ	Output	The InMREQ signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If LOW at the end of the cycle then the processor requires an instruction memory access during the following cycle.
ETMINSTREXEC	Output	The INSTREXEC pipeline status signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. The instruction executed signal indicates that the instruction in the Execute stage of the pipeline follower of the ETM9 has been executed.

Table A-6 Trace signals (continued)

Name	Direction	
ETMISEQ	Output	The ISEQ signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If HIGH at the end of the cycle then any instruction memory access during the following cycle is sequential from the last instruction memory access.
ETMITBIT	Output	The ITBIT signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. When HIGH, denotes that the ARM is in Thumb state. When LOW, the processor is in ARM state. This signal is valid with the address.
ETMLATECANCEL	Output	The coprocessor late cancel signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. If HIGH during the first memory cycle of a coprocessor instruction, then the coprocessor must cancel the instruction without changing any internal state. This signal is only asserted in cycles where the previous instruction accessed memory and a data abort occurred.
ETMPASS	Output	The PASS coprocessor signal driven by the ARM9TDMI core. This signal indicates that the instruction in the Execute stage of the pipeline follower of the ETM9 is executed.
ETMPWRDOWN	Input	When HIGH, indicates that the ETM9 can be powered down. The ARM920T processor uses this to stop the ETMCLOCK output. When this happens all other ETM<name> outputs are held stable.
ETMRNGOUT[1:0]	Output	The RANGEOUT[1:0] EmbeddedICE signals driven by the ARM. The EmbeddedICE RANGEOUT signals indicate that the corresponding watchpoint unit has matched the conditions currently present on the address, control and data buses. These signals are independent of the state of the enable control bit of the watchpoint unit.
ETMnWAIT	Output	You can stall the ETM9 by driving ETMnWAIT LOW. It must be held HIGH at all other times. ETMnWAIT is the nWAIT signal driven into the ARM9TDMI core.

Appendix B

CP15 Test Registers

This appendix describes the ARM920T CP15 test registers. It contains the following sections:

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- *Test state register* on page B-3
- *Cache test registers and operations* on page B-8
- *MMU test registers and operations* on page B-18.
- *StrongARM backwards compatibility operations* on page B-30.

B.1 About the test registers

The ARM920T coprocessor 15 (CP15), register 15 (c15) is used to provide additional device-specific test operations. You can use it to access and control the following:

- *Test state register* on page B-3
- *Cache test registers and operations* on page B-8
- *MMU test registers and operations* on page B-18
- *StrongARM backwards compatibility operations* on page B-30.

You must only use these operations for test. The *ARM Architecture Reference Manual* describes this register as implementation defined.

The format of the CP15 test operations is:

MCR/MRC p15, opcode_1, Rd, c15, CRm, opcode_2

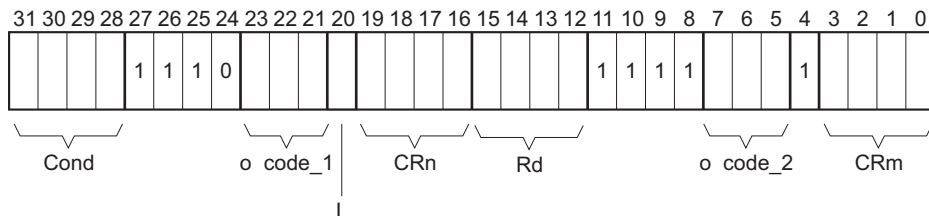


Figure B-1 CP15 MRC and MCR bit pattern

The L bit distinguishes between an MCR (L = 1) and an MRC (L = 0).

B.2 Test state register

The test state register is used to modify the behavior of the ARM920T from the default behavior. At reset, all bits of the test state register are cleared to 0.

You can write bits [12:1] by:

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MCR    p15,0,Rd,c15,c0,0
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You can read bits [12:0] by:

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MRC    p15,0,Rd,c15,c0,0
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You can only write bit 0 using scan chain 15 (CP15), selecting the test state register. You can also access bits[12:1] using the same scan chain, but it is recommended that you only read and write these using MCR and MRC instructions. The functions of bits in the test state register are listed in Table B-1.

Table B-1 Test state register

Bit	Function or name	Description
12	Disable DCache streaming	0 = Enable DCache streaming 1 = Disable DCache streaming
11	Disable ICache streaming	0 = Enable ICache streaming 1 = Disable ICache streaming
10	Disable DCache linefill	0 = Enable DCache linefills 1 = Disable DCache linefills
9	Disable ICache linefill	0 = Enable ICache linefills 1 = Disable ICache linefills
8	Disable CP15, c1, bits[31:30]	0 = Enable R1 1 = Disable R1
7	iA, StrongARM asynchronous select	00 = FastBus mode
6	nF, StrongARM notFastBus select	01 = Synchronous mode 10 = Reserved 11 = Asynchronousmode
5	D force noncachable	0 = Normal operation 1 = Force noncachable behavior in the DCache
4	I force noncachable	0 = Normal operation 1 = Force noncachable behavior in the ICache

Table B-1 Test state register (continued)

Bit	Function or name	Description
3	MMU test	0 = Disable auto-increment 1 = Enable auto-increment
2	I miss abort	0 = Enable ITLB hardware page table walks 1 = Disable ITLB hardware page table walks
1	D miss abort	0 = Enable DTLB hardware page table walks 1 = Disable DTLB hardware page table walks
0	CP15 interpret mode	0 = Disable CP15 interpret mode 1 = Enable CP15 interpret mode

MRC (reading) return bits [12:0], with bits [31:13] being unpredictable.

MCR (writing) update bits [12:1]. Bits [31:13] and [0] should be zero.

B.2.1 Bit 12, disable DCache streaming

When set, this bit prevents the DCache from streaming data words to the ARM9TDMI while the linefill is performed to the cache. The linefill still occurs, but the data word is returned to the ARM9TDMI at the end of the linefill.

B.2.2 Bit 11, disable ICache streaming

When set, this bit prevents the ICache from streaming instructions to the ARM9TDMI while the linefill is performed to the cache. The linefill still occurs, but the instruction is returned to the ARM9TDMI at the end of the linefill.

B.2.3 Bit 10, disable DCache linefill

When set, this bit prevents the DCache from performing a linefill on a DCache miss. Instead, a single word read is performed from the AMBA ASB interface. The memory region mapping is unchanged. This mode of operation is required for debug, so that the memory image, as seen by the ARM9TDMI, can be read in a non-invasive manner. Cache hits from a cachable region read the data word from the cache, and cache misses from a cachable region do not cause a linefill, but read a single data word from memory. You must use the control bit *disable DCache linefill* instead of *D force noncachable*, because *D force noncachable* does not read from the cache on a cache hit.

B.2.4 Bit 9, disable ICache linefill

When set, this bit prevents the ICache from performing a linefill on an ICache miss. Instead, a single word read is performed from the AMBA ASB interface. The memory region mapping is unchanged. This mode of operation is required for debug so that the memory image, as seen by the ARM9TDMI, can be read in a non-invasive manner. Cache hits from a cachable region read the instruction from the cache, and cache misses from a cachable region do not cause a linefill, but read a single instruction from memory. You must use the control bit *disable ICache linefill* instead of *I force noncachable*, because *I force noncachable* does not read from the cache on a cache hit.

B.2.5 Bits [8:6], disable CP15 register 1, iA and nF

These 3 bits allow clock switching code compatibility with the SA110 and SA1100 (StrongARM). The StrongARM implements the following MCR instructions:

MCR p15,0,Rd,c15,c1,2 ; Enable clock switching

MCR p15,0,Rd,c15,c2,2 ; Disable clock switching

These are equivalent to selecting Asynchronous and FastBus clocking modes respectively. If either of the two StrongARM MCR instructions are executed then *disable R1*, bit 8, is set. This prevents the iAcr and nFcr, bit[31:30] in CP15 register 1, from being used to control clock switching. This is necessary to maintain backwards compatibility with non-ARMv4T compliant devices, that do not use CP15 register 1 to select the clock mode.

The following applies:

iA' = (iAcr AND NOT disable R1) or iA_c15

nF' = (nFcr AND NOT disable R1) or nF_c15

Table B-2 shows the clocking mode selection.

Table B-2 Clocking mode selection

Clocking mode	iA'	nF'
FastBus	0	0
Synchronous	0	1
Reserved	1	0
Asynchronous	1	1

B.2.6 Bit 5, D force noncachable

The cachable behavior for a memory region is determined by the AND of the DCache enable in CP15 register 1 and the cachable bit of the MMU page table entry:

$$C = Ccr \text{ AND } Ctt$$

Setting the *D force noncachable* bit effectively forces the $C=0$. This means all memory accesses are treated as single memory accesses on the AMBA ASB interface. A write that hits in the cache updates the cache. A read that hits in the cache is ignored, and the data read from the AMBA ASB interface does not update the cache.

B.2.7 Bit 4, I force noncachable

The cachable behavior for a memory region is determined by the AND of the ICache enable in CP15 register 1 and the cachable bit of the MMU page table entry:

$$C = Icr \text{ AND } Ctt$$

Setting the *I force noncachable* bit effectively forces the $C=0$. This means all memory accesses are treated as single memory accesses on the AMBA ASB interface. A read that hits in the cache is ignored, and the instruction from the AMBA ASB interface does not update the cache.

B.2.8 Bit 3, MMU test

Setting the MMU test bit enables auto-increment of the TLB index pointer in both MMUs on CAM and RAM1 reads and writes. If this bit is not set, the TLB index pointer only increments on RAM1 writes.

B.2.9 Bit 2, I miss abort

When ITLB page table walks are disabled, the ITLB miss causes an Instruction Abort and indicates a translation fault in the IFSR. The Instruction Abort handler then has to use a CP15 MCR instruction to write a page table entry to the instruction TLB. It is a requirement that the ICache and MMU is enabled when you disable hardware page table walks, otherwise the behavior is unpredictable.

B.2.10 Bit 1, D miss abort

When DTLB page table walks are disabled, the DTLB miss causes a Data Abort and indicates a translation fault in the DFSR. The Data Abort handler then has to use a CP15 MCR instruction to write a page table entry to the data TLB. It is a requirement that the DCache and MMU is enabled when you disable hardware page table walks, otherwise the behavior is unpredictable.

B.2.11 Bit 0, CP15 interpret mode

This bit is only writable using scan chain 15, selecting register c15.State. This accesses the whole test state register. Therefore this bit must be written using read-modify-write.

Interpreted mode allows interpreted accesses to take place within the ARM920T memory system. To do this, the required MCR or MRC instruction word must be shifted into scan chain 15. A system speed LDR (read) or STR (write) can then be performed on the ARM9TDMI. CP15 will interpret the LDR or STR by executing the MCR or MRC instruction held in scan chain 15. In the case of an LDR, the data is returned to the ARM9TDMI. In the case of a STR, the interpreted MCR or MRC completes with the data from the ARM9TDMI. You can exit interpreted mode by performing a read-modify-write to scan chain 15, register c15.State to reset bit 0 to 0.

B.3 Cache test registers and operations

The ICache and DCache are maintained using MCR and MRC instructions to CP15 registers 7 and 9, defined by the ARM v4T programmer’s model. Additional operations are available using MCR and MRC to CP15 register 15. These operations are combined with those using registers 7 and 9 to enable testing of the caches entirely in software.

A modified subset of these MCR and MRC instructions is available in AMBA test for production test. See Chapter 11 *AMBA Test Interface*.

All MCR and MRC instructions to CP15 are available through the debug scan chains in CP15 interpret mode. This mode of access is intended to be used with a subset of the available CP15 MCR and MRC instructions, such that using other than the minimal subset will cause unpredictable behavior. See Chapter 9 *Debug Support*.

The register 7 operations are all write-only. They are listed in Table B-3.

Table B-3 Register 7 operations

Cache	Function
I and D, or I, or D	Invalidate cache
I or D	Invalidate single entry using MVA
D	Clean single entry using MVA or index
D	Clean and invalidate single entry using MVA or index
I	Prefetch cache line using MVA

The register 9 operations are read and write. They are listed in Table B-4.

Table B-4 Register 9 operations

Cache	Function
I or D	Read lockdown base (applies to all cache segments).
I or D	Write victim and lockdown base (applies to all cache segments).
I or D	Write victim for specified segment. This is provided for debug only and is not specified by ARMv4T.

The register 15 operations are listed in Table B-5.

Table B-5 Register 15 operations

Cache	Function	Rd	Data
I and D, or I, or D	Set dirty all entries	SBZ	-
I and D, or I, or D	CAM read to C15.C.<I or D>	Seg	Tag, Dirty, Index
I and D, or I, or D	CAM write	Tag, Seg, Dirty	-
I and D, or I, or D	RAM read to C15.C.<I or D>	Seg, Word	Data
I and D, or I, or D	RAM write from C15.C.<I or D>	Seg, Word	-
I and D, or I, or D	CAM match RAM read to reg C15.C.<I or D>	Tag, Seg, Word	Hit or Miss, Data

The Harvard architecture allows you to combine all of these operations to operate on both the ICache and DCache in parallel.

Note

For the CAM Match, RAM Read operation the respective MMU does not perform a lookup and a cache miss does not cause a linefill.

These register 15 operations are all issued as MCR. In these, Rd defines the address for the operation. Therefore, the data is either supplied from, or latched into, the CP15.C.I or CP15.C.D in CP15. These 32 bit registers are accessed with the CP15 MCR and MRC instructions shown in Table B-6.

Table B-6 CP15 MCR and MRC instructions

Cache	Function
I and D, or I, or D	Write to register CP15.C.<I or D>
I or D	Read from register CP15.C.<I or D>

Again, the Harvard architecture allows the data to be written to both CP15.C.<I and D> in parallel.

Table B-7 summarizes C7, C9, and C15 operations.

Table B-7 Register 7, 9, and 15 operations

Function	Rd	Instruction
Invalidate ICache and DCache	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c7,0
Invalidate ICache	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c5,0
Invalidate ICache single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c5,1
Prefetch ICache line (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c13,1
Invalidate DCache	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c6,0
Invalidate DCache single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c6,1
Clean DCache single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,1
Clean and invalidate DCache entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c14,1
Clean DCache single entry (using index)	Index format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,2
Clean and invalidate DCache entry (using index)	Index format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c14,2
Drain write buffer ^a	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c10,4
Wait for interrupt ^b	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c0,4
Read DCache lockdown base	Base	MRC p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,0
Write DCache victim and lockdown base	Victim=Base	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,0
Write DCache victim	Victim, Seg	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c1,0
Read ICache lockdown base	Base	MRC p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,1
Write ICache victim and lockdown base	Victim=Base	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,1
Write ICache victim	Victim, Seg	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c1,1
I set dirty all entries	SBZ	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c1,0
D set dirty all entries	SBZ	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c2,0
I and D set dirty all entries	SBZ	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c3,0

Table B-7 Register 7, 9, and 15 operations (conWri.8(r 8(r) r n

I CAM read to C15.C.I	Seg	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c5,2
D CAM read to C15.C.D	Seg	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c6,2
I CAM read to C15.C.I and D CAM read to C15.C.D	Seg	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c7,2
I CAM write	Tag, Seg, Dirty	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c5,6
D CAM write	Tag, Seg, Dirty	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c6,6
I and D CAM write	Tag, Seg, Dirty	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c7,6
I RAM read to C15.C.I	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c9,2
D RAM read to C15.C.D	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c10,2
I RAM read to C15.C.I and D RAM read to C15.C.D	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c11,2
I RAM write from C15.C.I	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c9,6
D RAM write from C15.C.D	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c10,6
I RAM write from C15.C.I and D RAM write from C15.C.D	Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c11,6
I CAM match, RAM read to C15.C.I	Tag, Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c5,5
D CAM match, RAM read to C15.C.D	Tag, Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c6,5
I CAM match, RAM read to C15.C.I and D CAM match, RAM read to C15.C.D	Tag, Seg, Word	MCR p15,2,Rd,c15,c7,5
Write to C15.C.I	Data	MCR p15,3,Rd,c15,c1,0
Write to C15.C.D	Data	MCR p15,3,Rd,c15,c2,0
Write to C15.C.I and write to C15.C.D	Data	MCR p15,3,Rd,c15,c3,0
Read from C15.C.I	Data read	MRC p15,3,Rd,c15,c1,0
Read from C15.C.D	Data read	MRC p15,3,Rd,c15,c2,0

- a. Stops execution until the write buffer has drained.
- b. Stops execution in a LOW power state until an interrupt occurs.

The CAM read format for Rd is shown in Figure B-2.



Figure B-2 Rd format, CAM read

The CAM write format for Rd is shown in Figure B-3.

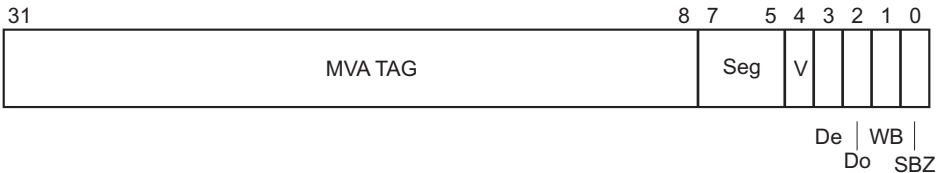


Figure B-3 Rd format, CAM write

In Figure B-3, bit labels have the following meanings:

- V** Valid
- De** Dirty even (words [3:0])
- Do** Dirty odd (words [7:4])
- WB** Writeback.

The RAM read format for Rd is shown in Figure B-4.

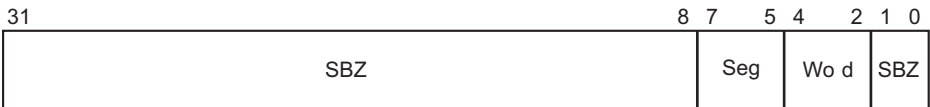


Figure B-4 Rd format, RAM read

The RAM write format for Rd is shown in Figure B-5.



Figure B-5 Rd format, RAM write

The CAM match, RAM read format for Rd is shown in Figure B-6.



Figure B-6 Rd format, CAM match RAM read

The CAM read format for data is shown in Figure B-7.



Figure B-7 Data format, CAM read

In AMBA cache test mode, the LFSR for the cache is restricted to increment only on a CAM read.

The RAM read format for data is shown in Figure B-8.

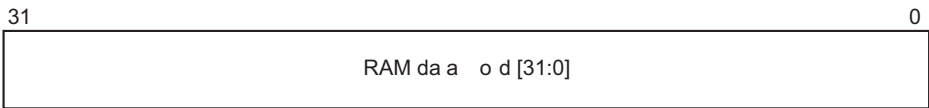


Figure B-8 Data format, RAM read

The CAM match, RAM read format for data is shown in Figure B-9.

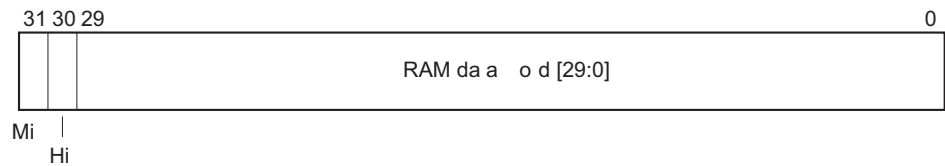


Figure B-9 Data format, CAM match RAM read

B.3.1 Addressing the CAM and RAM

For the CAM read or write, and RAM read or write operations you must specify the segment, index, and word (for the RAM operations). See *Addressing the 16KB ICache* on page 4-5. The CAM and RAM operations use the value in the victim pointer for that segment, so you must ensure that the value is written in the victim pointer before any CAM or RAM operation.

If the MCR *write victim and lockdown base* is used, then the victim pointer is incremented after every CAM read or write, and every RAM read or write. If the MCR *write victim* is used, then the victim pointer is only incremented after every CAM read or write. This enables efficient reading or writing of the CAM and RAM for an entire segment. The write cache victim and lockdown operations are listed in Table B-8.

Table B-8 Write cache victim and lockdown operations

Operation	Instruction
Write DCache victim and lockdown base	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,0
Write DCache victim	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c1,0
Write ICache victim and lockdown base	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c0,1
Write ICache victim	MCR p15,0,Rd,c9,c1,1

The write I or D cache victim and lockdown base format for Rd is shown in Figure B-10.

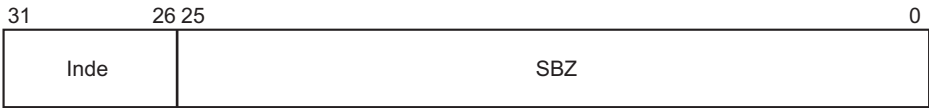


Figure B-10 Rd format, write I or D cache victim and lockdown base

The write I or D cache victim format for Rd is shown in Figure B-11.



Figure B-11 Rd format, write I or D cache victim

There are two other cache test registers that are only accessible using debug scan chain 15. These are C15.C.<I or D>.Ind. These registers are written with the current victim of the addressed segment whenever an MCR CAM read is executed. This is intended for use in debug to establish the value of the current victim pointer of each segment before reading the values of the CAM and RAM, so that the value can be restored afterwards. See Chapter 9 *Debug Support*.

Example B-1 shows sample code for performing software test of the D Cache. It contains typical operations with C15.C.D.

Example B-1 DCache test operations

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TAG_LSB      EQU 0x8
SEG_LSB      EQU 0x5
VLD_LSB      EQU 0x4      ; valid bit
DE_LSB       EQU 0x3      ; dirty even bit
DO_LSB       EQU 0x2      ; dirty odd bit
WB_LSB       EQU 0x1      ; write back bit
WORD_LSB     EQU 0x2
LOCK_LSB     EQU 0x1A

; Load DCache victim and lockdown base with 32
MOV    r0,#32 :SHL: LOCK_LSB
MCR    p15,0,r0,c9,c0,0
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; Do DCache CAM write to seg 7, index 32
    LDR    r1,=0x123456                ; CAM Tag
    MOV    r0,r1,LSL #TAG_LSB
    ORR    r0,r0,#7 :SHL: SEG_LSB      ; Segment
    ORR    r0,r0,#1 :SHL: VLD_LSB      ; Valid bit
    ORR    r0,r0,#1 :SHL: DE_LSB       ; Dirty even bit
    ORR    r0,r0,#1 :SHL: DO_LSB       ; Dirty odd bit
    ORR    r0,r0,#1 :SHL: WB_LSB       ; Writeback bit
    MCR    p15,2,r0,c15,c6,6          ; CAM write

; Reload DCache lock-down pointer because it will have incremented
    MOV    r0,#32 :SHL: LOCK_LSB
    MCR    p15,0,r0,c9,c0,0

; Do DCache RAM write to seg 7, index 32, word 6
    LDR    r0,=0x89ABCDEF              ; RAM Data
    MCR    p15,3,r0,c15,c2,0           ; Write RAM data to
                                        ; C15.C.D
    MOV    r0,#7 :SHL: SEG_LSB         ; Segment
    ORR    r0,r0,#6 :SHL: WORD_LSB     ; Word
    MCR    p15,2,r0,c15,c10,6         ; RAM write from C15.C.D

; Clear C15.C.D to prove that data comes back from DCache
    MOV    r0,#0
    MCR    p15,3,r0,c15,c2,0           ; Write C15.C.D

; Do a CAM match, RAM read to C15.C.D
    LDR    r1,=0x123456
    MOV    r0,r1,LSL #TAG_LSB          ; TAG
    ORR    r0,r0,#7 :SHL: SEG_LSB      ; Segment
    ORR    r0,r0,#6 :SHL: WORD_LSB     ; Word
    MCR    p15,2,r0,c15,c6,5          ; CAM match, RAM read

; Read C15.C.D and compare with expected data.
; Note that the top 2 bits of the RAM Data returned from the CAM match
; give the Hit and Miss information [31:30] = [Miss,Hit]
    MRC    p15,3,r0,c15,c2,0          ; Read C15.C.D

; Check the CAM match for a hit
    MOV    r2,#0xC0000000              ; Mask bits [31:30]
    AND    r2,r2,r0
    MOV    r3,#0x80000000              ; Hit
    CMP    r2,r3
    BNE    Fail

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; Check the RAM data
MOV     r0,r0,LSL #2                ; Remove bits [31:30]
LDR     r1,=0x89ABCDEF             ; Expected data
MOV     r1,r1,LSL #2                ; Remove bits [31:30]
CMP     r0,r1
BNE     Fail
TEST_PASS
Fail    TEST_FAIL
END

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B.3.2 Testing the LFSR

There is an 8-bit LFSR in both the DCache and ICache that is used to provide the pseudo-random sequence to increment the segment victim counters in random mode. This is the default setting of the RR bit in CP15 register 1, bit 14.

The LFSR is tested in a controlled manner in AMBA cache test mode. In this mode the LFSR is reset to its seed value by performing an *MCR invalidate all*, and is incremented once by performing a CAM read. For each CAM read, bit 6 of bits[7:0] is sampled onto bit 0 of the CAM read data.

The by-product of this is that LFSR[6] is sampled for any CAM read, but the LFSR is clocked freely when not in AMBA cache test mode. See Chapter 11 *AMBA Test Interface*.

B.4 MMU test registers and operations

The ITLB and DTLB are maintained using MCR and MRC instructions to CP15 registers 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, and 10, defined by the ARM v4T programmer's model. Additional operations are available using MCR and MRC instructions to CP15 register 15. These operations are combined with those using registers 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, and 10 to enable testing of the TLBs entirely in software.

A modified subset of these MCR and MRC instructions are available in AMBA test for production test. See Chapter 11 *AMBA Test Interface*.

All MCR and MRC instructions to CP15 are available through the debug scan chains in CP15 Interpret Mode. This mode of access is intended to be used with a subset of the available CP15 MCR and MRC instructions, so that using other than the minimal subset causes unpredictable behavior. See *Scan chains 4 and 15, the ARM920T memory system* on page 9-31.

The register 2 operations are read and write. They are extended by the register 15 operations to allow individual control of the separate I and D *Translation Table Base* (TTB) registers, and are listed in Table B-9.

Table B-9 TTB register operations

Register	TLB	Function
c2	I and D	Write I and D TTB registers
c2	D	Read D TTB register
c15	I	Write I TTB register
c15	D	Write D TTB register
c15	I	Read I TTB register

The register 3 operations are read and write. They are extended by the register 15 operations to allow individual control of the separate I and D *Domain Access Control* (DAC) registers, and are listed in Table B-10.

Table B-10 DAC register operations

Register	TLB	Function
c3	I and D	Write I and D DAC registers
c3	D	Read D DAC register
c15	I	Write I DAC register
c15	D	Write D DAC register
c15	I	Read I DAC register

The register 5 operations are read and write, but the ability to access the I FSR is not architecturally defined in ARMv4T and is only intended for debug, when testing the TLB miss mechanism using aborts rather than hardware page table walks. Register 5 operations are listed in Table B-11. The register 15 duplication remains from ARM920T Rev 0.

Table B-11 FSR register operations

Reg	TLB	Function
c5	I or D	Write <i>Fault Status Register</i> (FSR)
c5	I or D	Read FSR
c15	I	Write I FSR
c15	I	Read I FSR

The register 6 operations are read and write. The I TLB is identical to the D TLB, but the I FAR is not architecturally defined, so the ability to access the I FAR is for testability only and the MCR and MRC instructions are described by the ARMv4T as being UNPREDICTABLE. Register 6 operations are listed in Table B-12.

Table B-12 FAR register operations

Reg	TLB	Function
c6	I or D	Write Fault Address Register (FAR)
c6	I or D	Read FAR

The register 8 operations are all write-only. They are listed in Table B-13.

Table B-13 Register 8 operations

Reg	TLB	Function
c8	I and D, or I, or D	Invalidate TLB
c8	I or D	Invalidate single entry using MVA

The register 10 operations are read and write. They are listed in Table B-14.

Table B-14 Register 10 operations

Reg	TLB	Function
c10	I or D	Read victim, lockdown base and preserve bit
c10	I or D	Write victim, lockdown base and preserve bit

The register 15 operations that operate on the CAM, RAM1, and RAM2 are listed in Table B-15.

Table B-15 CAM, RAM1, and RAM2 register 15 operations

TLB	Function	Rd	Data
I or D	CAM read to C15.M.<I or D>	SBZ	Tag, Size, V, P
I and D, or I, or D	CAM write	Tag, Size, V, P	
I or D	RAM1 read to C15.M.<I or D>	SBZ	Protection

Table B-15 CAM, RAM1, and RAM2 register 15 operations (continued)

TLB	Function	Rd	Data
I and D, or I, or D	RAM1 write	Protection	
I or D	RAM2 read to C15.M.<I or D>	SBZ	PA Tag, Size
I and D, or I, or D	RAM2 write	PA Tag, Size	PA Tag, Size
I or D	CAM match RAM1 read to C15.M.<I or D>	MVA	Fault, Miss, Protection

While the ARM920T memory system is a Harvard architecture, the TLBs are accessed using CData. This means the write operations can be combined to operate on both the I TLB and D TLB in parallel.

Note

Setting the CP15 register 15 test status register MMU test bit (bit 3) enables auto-increment of the TLB index pointer in both MMUs on CAM and RAM1 reads and writes. If this bit is not set, the TLB index pointer only increments on RAM1 writes.

For the CAM match, RAM1 read operation a TLB miss does not cause a page walk.

These register 15 operations are all issued as MCR, which means that the read and match operations have to be latched into the CP15.M.I or CP15.M.D in CP15. These are 32 bit registers that are read with the following CP15 MRC instruction:

Read from register CP15.M.<I or D>

Table B-16 summarizes C2, C3, C5, C6, C8, C10, and C15 operations.

Table B-16 Register 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, and 15 operations

Function	Rd	Instruction
Read TTB register	TTB	MRC p15,0,Rd,c2,c0,0
Write TTB register	TTB	MCR p15,0,Rd,c2,c0,0
Read domain 15:0 access control	DAC	MRC p15,0,Rd,c3,c0,0
Write domain 15:0 access control	DAC	MCR p15,0,Rd,c3,c0,0

Table B-16 Register 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, and 15 operations (continued)

Function	Rd	Instruction
Read data FSR value	FSR	MRC p15,0,Rd,c5,c0,0
Write data FSR value	FSR	MCR p15,0,Rd,c5,c0,0
Read prefetch FSR value ^a	FSR	MRC p15,0,Rd,c5,c0,1
Write prefetch FSR value ^a	FSR	MCR p15,0,Rd,c5,c0,1
Read D FAR	FAR	MRC p15,0,Rd,c6,c0,0
Write D FAR	FAR	MCR p15,0,Rd,c6,c0,0
Read I FAR ^a	FAR	MRC p15,0,Rd,c6,c0,1
Write I FAR ^a	FAR	MCR p15,0,Rd,c6,c0,1
Invalidate TLB(s)	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c7,0
Invalidate I TLB	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c5,0
Invalidate I TLB single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c5,1
Invalidate D TLB	SBZ	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c6,0
Invalidate D TLB single entry (using MVA)	MVA format	MCR p15,0,Rd,c8,c6,1
Read D TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MRC p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,0
Write D TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MCR p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,0
Read I TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MRC p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,1
Write I TLB lockdown	TLB lockdown	MCR p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,1
Read I TTB	TTB	MRC p15,5,Rd,c15,c1,2
Write I TTB	TTB	MCR p15,5,Rd,c15,c1,2
Write D TTB	TTB	MCR p15,5,Rd,c15,c2,2
Read I DAC	DAC	MRC p15,5,Rd,c15,c1,3
Write I DAC	DAC	MCR p15,5,Rd,c15,c1,3
Write D DAC	DAC	MCR p15,5,Rd,c15,c2,3

Table B-16 Register 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, and 15 operations (continued)

Function	Rd	Instruction
Read prefetch FSR value	FSR	MRC p15,5,Rd,c15,c1,5
Write prefetch FSR value	FSR	MCR p15,5,Rd,c15,c1,5
D CAM read to C15.M.D	SBZ	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c6,4
I CAM read to C15.M.I	SBZ	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c5,4
D CAM write	Tag, Size, V, P	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c6,0
I CAM write	Tag, Size, V, P	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c5,0
D and I CAM write	Tag, Size, V, P	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c7,0
D RAM1 read to C15.M.D	SBZ	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c10,4
I RAM 1 read to C15.M.I	SBZ	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c9,4
D RAM1 write	Protection	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c10,0
I RAM 1 write	Protection	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c9,0
D and I RAM1 write	Protection	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c11,0
D RAM2 read to C15.M.D	SBZ	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c2,5
I RAM2 read to C15.M.I	SBZ	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c1,5
D RAM2 write	PA Tag, Size	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c2,1
I RAM2 write	PA Tag, Size	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c1,1
D and I RAM2 write	PA Tag, Size	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c3,1
D CAM match, RAM1 read to C15.M.D	MVA	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c14,4
I CAM match, RAM1 read to C15.M.I	MVA	MCR p15,4,Rd,c15,c13,4
Read C15.M.D	Data	MRC p15,4,Rd,c15,c2,6
Read C15.M.I	Data	MRC p15,4,Rd,c15,c1,6

- a. These MCR and MRC instructions are not architecturally defined in ARMv4T, and are only intended for testability. Their behavior is described by ARMv4T as being UNPREDICTABLE.

Figure B-12 shows the format of Rd for CAM writes and data for CAM reads.



Figure B-12 Rd format, CAM write and data format, CAM read

In Figure B-12, V is the Valid bit, P is the Preserve bit, and SIZE_C sets the memory region size. The allowed values of SIZE_C are shown in Table B-17.

Table B-17 CAM memory region size

SIZE_C[3:0]	Memory region size
0b1111	1MB
0b0111	64KB
0b0011	16KB
0b0001	4KB
0b0000	1KB

Figure B-13 shows the format of Rd for RAM1 writes.

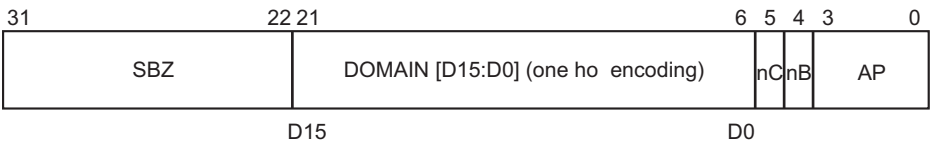


Figure B-13 Rd format, RAM1 write

In Figure B-13, AP[3:0] determines the setting of the access permission bits for a memory region. The allowed values are listed in Table B-18 on page B-25.

Table B-18 Access permission bit setting

AP[3:0]	Access permission bits
0b1000	0b11
0b0100	0b10
0b0010	0b01
0b0001	0b00

Figure B-14 shows the data format for RAM1 reads.

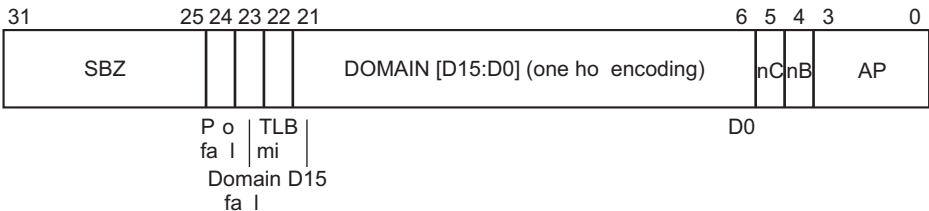


Figure B-14 Data format, RAM1 read

In Figure B-14, bits [24:22] are only valid for a match operation. In this case the values listed in Table B-19 apply.

Table B-19 Miss and fault encoding

Prot fault	Domain fault	TLB miss	Function
0	0	0	Hit, OK
0	1	0	Hit, domain fault
1	0	0	Hit, protection fault
1	1	0	Hit, protection and domain fault
-	-	1	TLB miss

Figure B-15 shows the Rd format for RAM2 writes, and the data format for RAM2 reads.

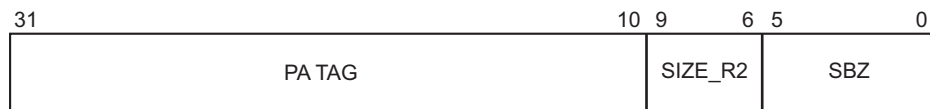


Figure B-15 Rd format, RAM2 write and data format, RAM2 read

In Figure B-15, SIZE_R2 sets the memory region size. The allowed values of SIZE_R2 are shown in Table B-20.

Table B-20 RAM2 memory region size

SIZE_R2[3:0]	Memory region size
0b1111	1MB
0b0111	64KB
0b0011	16KB
0b0000	4KB
0b0001	1KB

- Note

The encoding for SIZE_R2 is different from SIZE_C.

B.4.1 Addressing the CAM, RAM1, and RAM2

For the CAM read or write, RAM1 read or write, and RAM2 read or write operations, you must specify the index. The CAM and RAM1 operations use the value in the victim pointer, so you must write this before any CAM or RAM1 operation. RAM2 uses a pipelined version of the victim pointer used for the CAM or RAM1 operation. This means that to read from index N in the RAM2 array, you must first perform an access to index N in either the CAM or RAM1.

The write TLB lockdown operations are listed in Table B-21.

Table B-21 Write TLB lockdown operations

Operation	Instruction
Write D TLB lockdown	MCR p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,0
Write I TLB lockdown	MCR p15,0,Rd,c10,c0,1

The write I or D TLB lockdown format for Rd is shown in Figure B-16.



Figure B-16 Rd format, write I or D TLB lockdown

Example B-2 shows sample code for performing software test of the DMMU. It contains typical operations with C15.M.D.

Example B-2 DMMU test operations

LOCK_BASE_LSB	EQU 0x1A
LOCK_VICT_LSB	EQU 0x14
P_STATE_LSB	EQU 0x0
P_ENTRY_LSB	EQU 0x4
VATAG_LSB	EQU 0xA
VASIZE_LSB	EQU 0x6
VALID_LSB	EQU 0x5
DOMAIN8_LSB	EQU 0xE
DOMAIN_LSB	EQU 0x6
NCACHE_LSB	EQU 0x5
NBUFF_LSB	EQU 0x4
ACCESS_LSB	EQU 0x0
PATAG_LSB	EQU 0xA
PASIZE_LSB	EQU 0x7

;
; Write the DAC so that when doing a RAM1 Read
; bits [24:23] (P-Fault, D-Fault) can be defined
MOV r0,#0
MCR p15,0,r0,c3,c0,0

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; Load the DMMU lock-down pointer to index 25
MOV     r0,#25 :SHL: LOCK_BASE_LSB           ; Base
ORR     r0,r0,#25 :SHL: LOCK_VICT_LSB        ; Victim
ORR     r0,r0,#0 :SHL: P_STATE_LSB           ; Preserve
MCR     p15,0,r0,c10,c0,0

; CAM write to index 25
LDR     r0,=0xAAAAA
MOV     r0,r0,LSL #VATAG_LSB                 ; MVA Tag
ORR     r0,r0,#1 :SHL: VASIZE_LSB             ; Size_C
ORR     r0,r0,#1 :SHL: VALID_LSB             ; Valid
ORR     r0,r0,#1 :SHL: P_ENTRY_LSB           ; Preserve
MCR     p15,4,r0,c15,c6,0

; RAM2 write to index 25
; The RAM2 location pointed to for reads and writes
; is whichever CAM and RAM1 location was last read or written.
LDR     r0,=0x55555
MOV     r0,r0,LSL #PATAG_LSB                 ; PATAG
ORR     r0,r0,#3 :SHL: PASIZE_LSB            ; Size_R2
MCR     p15,4,r0,c15,c2,1

; As CP15 register 15, Test Status Register, MMU Test (bit 3) is not set,
; the victim pointer will only increment after the RAM1 write.
; So RAM1 write to index 25 (Victim increments to 26 after the write)
MOV     r0,#0
ORR     r0,r0,#0 :SHL: DOMAIN8_LSB           ; Upper 8 domains
ORR     r0,r0,#1 :SHL: DOMAIN_LSB            ; Lower 8 domains
ORR     r0,r0,#1 :SHL: NCACHE_LSB            ; nC
ORR     r0,r0,#1 :SHL: NBUFF_LSB             ; nB
ORR     r0,r0,#8 :SHL: ACCESS_LSB
MCR     p15,4,r0,c15,c10,0

; Load the DMMU lock-down pointer to index 25
MOV     r0,#25 :SHL: LOCK_BASE_LSB           ; Base
ORR     r0,r0,#25 :SHL: LOCK_VICT_LSB        ; Victim
ORR     r0,r0,#0 :SHL: P_STATE_LSB           ; Preserve
MCR     p15,0,r0,c10,c0,0

; RAM1 read to C15.M.D
MCR     p15,4,r0,c15,c10,4

; Read C15.M.D to r1
MRC     p15,4,r1,c15,c2,6

; RAM2 read to C15.M.D
MCR     p15,4,r0,c15,c2,5

; Read C15.M.D to r3

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        MRC      p15,4,r3,c15,c2,6

; CAM match, RAM1 read to C15.M.D
        LDR      r0,=0xAAAAA
        MOV      r0,r0,LSL #VATAG_LSB
        MCR      p15,4,r0,c15,c14,4

; Read C15.M.D to r2
        MRC      p15,4,r2,c15,c2,6

; Compare match value to read value and RAM2 read value to write value
        LDR      r4,=0x55555                    ; Expected RAM2 PA Tag
        MOV      r4,r4,LSL #PATAG_LSB
        ORR      r4,r4,#3 :SHL: PASIZE_LSB
        CMP      r1,r2                          ; Compare RAM1 read with
                                                ; CAM match, RAM1 read
        CMPEQ    r3,r4                          ; Compare RAM2 read with
                                                ; expected RAM2

        BNE      Fail
        TEST_PASS

Fail    TEST_FAIL
        END

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B.5 StrongARM backwards compatibility operations

The following MCR instructions are supported to provide clock switching and MCR *wait for interrupt* compatibility with SA110 and SA1100 (StrongARM).

MCR p15,0,Rd,c15,c1,2 ; Enable clock switching

This is equivalent to Asynchronous clocking mode.

MCR p15,0,Rd,c15,c2,2 ; Disable clock switching

This is equivalent to FastBus clocking mode.

MCR p15,0,Rd,c15,c8,2 ; Wait for interrupt

This is equivalent to MCR p15,0,Rd,c7,c0,4.

These three MCR instructions must not be used and are deprecated in ARM architectures after v4T.

Glossary

This glossary describes some of the terms used in this manual. Where terms can have several meanings, the meaning presented here is intended.

Abort	A mechanism that indicates to a core that it should halt execution of an attempted illegal memory access. An abort can be caused by the external or internal memory system as a result of attempting to access invalid instruction or data memory. An abort is classified as either a prefetch abort, a data abort, or an external abort. See also <i>Data abort</i> , <i>External abort</i> and <i>Prefetch abort</i> .
Abort model	An abort model is the defined behavior of an ARM processor in response to a Data Abort exception. Different abort models behave differently with regard to load and store instructions that specify base register writeback.
ALU	See <i>Arithmetic Logic Unit</i> .
Application Specific Integrated Circuit	An integrated circuit that has been designed to perform a specific application function. It can be custom-built or mass-produced.
Arithmetic Logic Unit	The part of a processor core that performs arithmetic and logic operations.
ARM state	A processor that is executing ARM (32-bit) word-aligned instructions is operating in ARM state.

ASIC	See <i>Application Specific Integrated Circuit</i> .
Banked registers	Those physical registers whose use is defined by the current processor mode. The banked registers are R8 to R14.
Base register	A register specified by a load or store instruction that is used to hold the base value for the instruction's address calculation.
Big-endian	Byte ordering scheme in which bytes of decreasing significance in a data word are stored at increasing addresses in memory. See also <i>Little-endian</i> and <i>Endianness</i> .
Breakpoint	A breakpoint is a mechanism provided by debuggers to identify an instruction at which program execution is to be halted. Breakpoints are inserted by the programmer to allow inspection of register contents, memory locations, variable values at fixed points in the program execution to test that the program is operating correctly. Breakpoints are removed after the program is successfully tested. See also <i>Watchpoint</i> .
Byte	An 8-bit data item.
Cache	A block of on-chip or off-chip fast access memory locations, situated between the processor and main memory, used for storing and retrieving copies of often used instructions and/or data. This is done to greatly reduce the average speed of memory accesses and so to increase processor performance.
Cache contention	When the number of frequently-used memory cache lines that use a particular cache set exceeds the set-associativity of the cache. In this case, main memory activity increases and performance decreases.
Cache hit	A memory access that can be processed at high speed because the instruction or data that it addresses is already held in the cache.
Cache line index	The number associated with each cache line in a cache set. Within each cache set, the cache lines are numbered from 0 to (set associativity) -1.
Cache lockdown	To fix a line in cache memory so that it cannot be overwritten. Cache lockdown allows critical instructions and/or data to be loaded into the cache so that the cache lines containing them will not subsequently be reallocated. This ensures that all subsequent accesses to the instructions/data concerned are cache hits, and therefore complete as quickly as possible.
Cache miss	A memory access that cannot be processed at high speed because the instruction/data it addresses is not in the cache and a main memory access is required.
CAM	See <i>Content addressable memory</i> .
Central Processing Unit	The part of a processor that contains the ALU, the registers, and the instruction decode logic and control circuitry. Also commonly known as the processor core.

Clock gating	Gating a clock signal for a macrocell with a control signal (such as PWRDOWN) and using the modified clock that results to control the operating state of the macrocell.
Condition field	A 4-bit field in an instruction that is used to specify a condition under which the instruction can execute.
Content addressable memory	Memory that is identified by its contents. Content addressable memory is used in CAM-RAM architecture caches to store the tags for cache entries.
Coprocessor	A processor that supplements the main CPU. It carries out additional functions that the main CPU cannot perform. Usually used for floating-point math calculations, signal processing, or memory management.
CPU	See <i>Central Processing Unit</i> .
Data Abort	An indication from a memory system to a core that it should halt execution of an attempted illegal memory access. A data abort is attempting to access invalid data memory. See also <i>Abort</i> , <i>External abort</i> and <i>Prefetch abort</i> .
Data cache	See <i>DCache</i> .
DCache	A block of on-chip fast access memory locations, situated between the processor and main memory, used for storing and retrieving copies of often used data. This is done to greatly reduce the average speed of memory accesses and so to increase processor performance.
Debugger	A debugging system that includes a program, used to detect, locate, and correct software faults, together with custom hardware that supports software debugging.
Domain	A collection of sections, large pages and small pages of memory, which can have their access permissions switched rapidly by writing to the Domain Access Control Register (CP15 register 3).
Double word	A 64-bit data item. The contents are taken as being an unsigned integer unless otherwise stated.
EmbeddedICE	The additional JTAG-based hardware provided by debuggable ARM processors to aid debugging.
Endianness	Byte ordering. The scheme that determines the order in which successive bytes of a data word are stored in memory. See also <i>Little-endian</i> and <i>Big-endian</i> .
Exception vector	One of a number of fixed addresses in low memory, or in high memory if high vectors are configured, that contains the first instruction of the corresponding interrupt service routine.

External abort	An indication from an external memory system to a core that it should halt execution of an attempted illegal memory access. An external abort is caused by the external memory system as a result of attempting to access invalid memory. See also <i>Abort</i> , <i>Data abort</i> and <i>Prefetch abort</i>
Halfword	A 16-bit data item.
ICache	A block of on-chip fast access memory locations, situated between the processor and main memory, used for storing and retrieving copies of often used instructions. This is done to greatly reduce the average speed of memory accesses and so to increase processor performance.
Instruction cache	See <i>ICache</i> .
Joint Test Action Group	The name of the organization that developed standard IEEE 1149.1. This standard defines a boundary-scan architecture used for in-circuit testing of integrated circuit devices. It is commonly known by the initials JTAG.
JTAG	See <i>Joint Test Action Group</i> .
Little-endian	Byte ordering scheme in which bytes of increasing significance in a data word are stored at increasing addresses in memory. See also <i>Big-endian</i> and <i>Endianness</i> .
Macrocell	A complex logic block with a defined interface and behavior. A typical VLSI system will comprise several macrocells (such as an ARM9E-S, an ETM9, and a memory block) plus application-specific logic.
Prefetch abort	An indication from a memory system to a core that it should halt execution of an attempted illegal memory access. A prefetch abort can be caused by the external or internal memory system as a result of attempting to access invalid instruction memory. See also <i>Data abort</i> , <i>External abort</i> and <i>Abort</i>
Processor	A contraction of microprocessor. A processor includes the CPU or core, plus additional components such as memory, and interfaces. These are combined as a single macrocell, that can be fabricated on an integrated circuit.
Region	A partition of instruction or data memory space.
Register	A temporary storage location used to hold binary data until it is ready to be used.
SBO	See <i>Should be one</i> .
SBZ	See <i>Should be zero</i> .
SCREG	The currently selected scan chain number in an ARM TAP controller.
Should be one	Should be written as 1 (or all 1s for bit fields) by software. Writing a 0 will produce UNPREDICTABLE results.

Should be zero	Should be written as 0 (or all 0s for bit fields) by software. Writing a 1 will produce UNPREDICTABLE results.
Tag bits	The index or key field of a CAM entry.
TAP	See <i>Test access port</i> .
Test Access Port	The collection of four mandatory and one optional terminals that form the input/output and control interface to a JTAG boundary-scan architecture. The mandatory terminals are TDI , TDO , TMS , and TCK . The optional terminal is TRST .
Thumb state	A processor that is executing Thumb (16-bit) half-word aligned instructions is operating in Thumb state
UNDEFINED	An instruction that generates an undefined instruction exception.
UNPREDICTABLE	For reads, the data returned when reading from this location is unpredictable. It can have any value. For writes, writing to this location causes unpredictable behavior, or an unpredictable change in device configuration. UNPREDICTABLE instructions must not halt or hang the processor, or any part of the system.
Watchpoint	A watchpoint is a mechanism provided by debuggers to halt program execution when the data contained by a particular memory address is changed. Watchpoints are inserted by the programmer to allow inspection of register contents, memory locations, and variable values when memory is written to test that the program is operating correctly. Watchpoints are removed after the program is successfully tested. See also <i>Breakpoint</i> .
Word	A 32-bit data item.

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