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Introduction

SiFive's S54 is a high performance implementation of the RISC-V RV64GC architecture. The SiFive S54 is guaranteed to be compatible with all applicable RISC-V standards, and this document should be read together with the official RISC-V user-level, privileged, and external debug architecture specifications.



A summary of features in the S54 can be found in Table 1.

S54 Feature Set		
Feature	Description	
Number of Harts	1 Hart.	
S5 Core	1× S5 RISC-V core.	
Local Interrupts	16 Local Interrupt signals per hart which can be connected to	
	off core complex devices.	
PLIC Interrupts	127 Interrupt signals which can be connected to off core	
	complex devices.	
PLIC Priority Levels	The PLIC supports 7 priority levels.	
Hardware Breakpoints	4 hardware breakpoints.	
Physical Memory Protection	PMP with 8 x regions and a minimum granularity of 4 bytes.	
Unit		

Table 1: S54 Feature Set

1.1 S54 Overview

An overview of the SiFive S54 is shown in Figure 1. This RISC-V Core IP includes 1 x 64-bit RISC-V core, including local and global interrupt support, and physical memory protection. The memory system consists of Data Tightly-Integrated Memory and Instruction Cache with configurable Tightly-Integrated Memory. The S54 also includes a debug unit, one incoming Port, and two outgoing Ports.

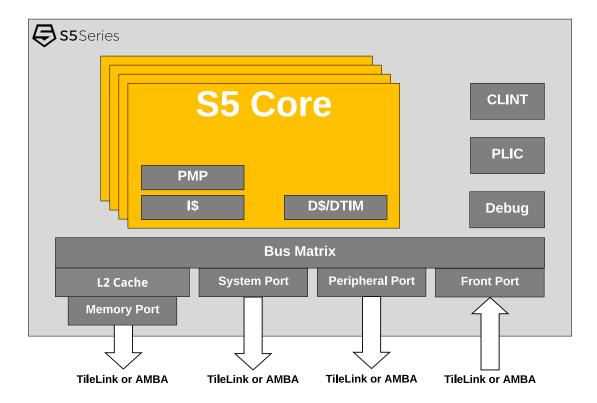


Figure 1: S54 Block Diagram

The S54 memory map is detailed in Chapter 4, and the interfaces are described in full in the S54 User Guide.

1.2 S5 RISC-V Core

The S54 includes a 64-bit S5 RISC-V core, which has a high-performance single-issue in-order execution pipeline, with a peak sustainable execution rate of one instruction per clock cycle. The S5 core supports Machine and User privilege modes as well as standard Multiply, Single-Precision Floating Point, Double-Precision Floating Point, Atomic, and Compressed RISC-V extensions (RV64GC).

The core is described in more detail in Chapter 3.

1.3 Debug Support

The S54 provides external debugger support over an industry-standard JTAG port, including 4 hardware-programmable breakpoints per hart.

Debug support is described in detail in Chapter 9, and the debug interface is described in the S54 User Guide.

1.4 Memory System

The S54 memory system has a Level 1 memory system optimized for high performance. The instruction subsystem consists of a 16 KiB 2-way instruction cache with the ability to reconfigure a single way into a fixed-address tightly integrated memory. The data subsystem allows for a maximum DTIM size of 64 KiB.

The memory system is described in more detail in Chapter 3.

1.5 Interrupts

The S54 supports 16 high-priority, low-latency local vectored interrupts per-hart.

This Core Complex includes a RISC-V standard platform-level interrupt controller (PLIC), which supports 127 global interrupts with 7 priority levels.

This Core Complex also provides the standard RISC-V machine-mode timer and software interrupts via the Core-Local Interruptor (CLINT).

Interrupts are described in Chapter 5. The CLINT is described in Chapter 6. The PLIC is described in Chapter 7.

List of Abbreviations and Terms

Term	Definition		
ВНТ	Branch History Table		
ВТВ	Branch Target Buffer		
RAS	Return-Address Stack		
CLINT	Core-Local Interruptor. Generates per-hart software interrupts and timer		
	interrupts.		
CLIC	Core-Local Interrupt Controller. Configures priorities and levels for core		
	local interrupts.		
hart	HARdware Thread		
DTIM	Data Tightly Integrated Memory		
IJTP	Indirect-Jump Target Predictor		
ITIM	Instruction Tightly Integrated Memory		
JTAG	Joint Test Action Group		
LIM	Loosely Integrated Memory. Used to describe memory space delivered in		
	a SiFive Core Complex but not tightly integrated to a CPU core.		
PMP	Physical Memory Protection		
PLIC	Platform-Level Interrupt Controller. The global interrupt controller in a		
	RISC-V system.		
TileLink	A free and open interconnect standard originally developed at UC Berke-		
	ley.		
RO	Used to describe a Read Only register field.		
RW	Used to describe a Read/Write register field.		
WO	Used to describe a Write Only registers field.		
WARL	Write-Any Read-Legal field. A register field that can be written with any		
	value, but returns only supported values when read.		
WIRI	Writes-Ignored, Reads-Ignore field. A read-only register field reserved for		
	future use. Writes to the field are ignored, and reads should ignore the		
	value returned.		
WLRL	Write-Legal, Read-Legal field. A register field that should only be written		
	with legal values and that only returns legal value if last written with a		
14/001	legal value.		
WPRI	Writes-Preserve Reads-Ignore field. A register field that might contain		
	unknown information. Reads should ignore the value returned, but writes		
	to the whole register should preserve the original value.		

S5 RISC-V Core

This chapter describes the 64-bit S5 RISC-V processor core used in the S54. The S5 processor core comprises an instruction memory system, an instruction fetch unit, an execution pipeline, a floating-point unit, a data memory system, and support for local interrupts.

The S5 feature set is summarized in Table 2.

Feature	Description
ISA	RV64GC.
Instruction Cache	16 KiB 2-way instruction cache.
Instruction Tightly Integrated Memory	The S5 has support for an ITIM with a maximum size of 8 KiB.
Data Tightly Integrated Memory	64 KiB DTIM.
Modes	The S5 supports the following modes: Machine Mode, User Mode.

Table 2: S5 Feature Set

3.1 Instruction Memory System

The instruction memory system consists of a dedicated 16 KiB 2-way set-associative instruction cache. The access latency of all blocks in the instruction memory system is one clock cycle. The instruction cache is not kept coherent with the rest of the platform memory system. Writes to instruction memory must be synchronized with the instruction fetch stream by executing a FENCE.I instruction.

The instruction cache has a line size of 64 bytes, and a cache line fill triggers a burst access outside of the S54. The core caches instructions from executable addresses, with the exception of the Instruction Tightly Integrated Memory (ITIM), which is further described in Section 3.1.1. See the S54 Memory Map in Chapter 4 for a description of executable address regions that are denoted by the attribute X.

Trying to execute an instruction from a non-executable address results in a synchronous trap.

3.1.1 I-Cache Reconfigurability

The instruction cache can be partially reconfigured into ITIM, which occupies a fixed address range in the memory map. ITIM provides high-performance, predictable instruction delivery. Fetching an instruction from ITIM is as fast as an instruction-cache hit, with no possibility of a cache miss. ITIM can hold data as well as instructions, though loads and stores from a core to its ITIM are not as performant as loads and stores to its Data Tightly Integrated Memory (DTIM).

The instruction cache can be configured as ITIM for all ways except for 1 in units of cache lines (64 bytes). A single instruction cache way must remain an instruction cache. ITIM is allocated simply by storing to it. A store to the n^{th} byte of the ITIM memory map reallocates the first n+1 bytes of instruction cache as ITIM, rounded up to the next cache line.

ITIM is deallocated by storing zero to the first byte after the ITIM region, that is, 8 KiB after the base address of ITIM as indicated in the Memory Map in Chapter 4. The deallocated ITIM space is automatically returned to the instruction cache.

For determinism, software must clear the contents of ITIM after allocating it. It is unpredictable whether ITIM contents are preserved between deallocation and allocation.

ITIM devices are shown in the memory map as two regions: a "mem" region and a "control" region. The "mem" region corresponds to the address range which can be allocated for ITIM use from the Instruction Cache. The "control" region corresponds to the first byte after the ITIM "mem" region.

3.2 Instruction Fetch Unit

The S5 instruction fetch unit contains branch prediction hardware to improve performance of the processor core. The branch predictor comprises a 28-entry branch target buffer (BTB) which predicts the target of taken branches, a 512-entry branch history table (BHT), which predicts the direction of conditional branches, and a 6-entry return-address stack (RAS) which predicts the target of procedure returns. The branch predictor has a one-cycle latency, so that correctly predicted control-flow instructions result in no penalty. Mispredicted control-flow instructions incur a three-cycle penalty.

The S5 implements the standard Compressed (C) extension to the RISC-V architecture, which allows for 16-bit RISC-V instructions.

3.3 Execution Pipeline

The S5 execution unit is a single-issue, in-order pipeline. The pipeline comprises five stages: instruction fetch, instruction decode and register fetch, execute, data memory access, and register writeback.

The pipeline has a peak execution rate of one instruction per clock cycle, and is fully bypassed so that most instructions have a one-cycle result latency. There are several exceptions:

- LW has a two-cycle result latency, assuming a cache hit.
- LH, LHU, LB, and LBU have a three-cycle result latency, assuming a cache hit.
- CSR reads have a three-cycle result latency.
- MUL, MULH, MULHU, and MULHSU have a 1-cycle result latency.
- DIV, DIVU, REM, and REMU have between a 3-cycle and 64-cycle result latency, depending on the operand values.

The pipeline only interlocks on read-after-write and write-after-write hazards, so instructions may be scheduled to avoid stalls.

The S5 implements the standard Multiply (M) extension to the RISC-V architecture for integer multiplication and division. The S5 has a 64-bit per cycle hardware multiply and a 1-bit per cycle hardware divide. The multiplier is fully pipelined and can begin a new operation on each cycle, with a maximum throughput of one operation per cycle.

The hart will not abandon a Divide instruction in flight. This means if an interrupt handler tries to use a register that is the destination register of a divide instruction the pipeline stalls until the divide is complete.

Branch and jump instructions transfer control from the memory access pipeline stage. Correctly-predicted branches and jumps incur no penalty, whereas mispredicted branches and jumps incur a three-cycle penalty.

Most CSR writes result in a pipeline flush with a five-cycle penalty.

3.4 Data Memory System

The S5 data memory system consists of a DTIM interface, which supports up to 64 KiB. The access latency from a core to its own DTIM is two clock cycles for full words and three clock cycles for smaller quantities. Misaligned accesses are not supported in hardware and result in a trap to allow software emulation.

Stores are pipelined and commit on cycles where the data memory system is otherwise idle. Loads to addresses currently in the store pipeline result in a five-cycle penalty.

3.5 Atomic Memory Operations

The S5 core supports the RISC-V standard Atomic (A) extension on the DTIM and the Peripheral Port. Atomic memory operations to regions that do not support them generate an access exception precisely at the core.

The load-reserved and store-conditional instructions are only supported on cached regions, hence generate an access exception on DTIM and other uncached memory regions.

See *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume I: User-Level ISA, Version 2.1* for more information on the instructions added by this extension.

3.6 Floating-Point Unit (FPU)

The S5 FPU provides full hardware support for the IEEE 754-2008 floating-point standard for 32-bit single-precision and 64-bit double-precision arithmetic. The FPU includes a fully pipelined fused-multiply-add unit and an iterative divide and square-root unit, magnitude comparators, and float-to-integer conversion units, all with full hardware support for subnormals and all IEEE default values.

3.7 Local Interrupts

The S5 supports up to 16 local interrupt sources that are routed directly to the core. See Chapter 5 for a detailed description of Local Interrupts.

3.8 Supported Modes

The S5 supports RISC-V user mode, providing two levels of privilege: machine (M) and user (U). U-mode provides a mechanism to isolate application processes from each other and from trusted code running in M-mode.

See *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10* for more information on the privilege modes.

3.9 Physical Memory Protection (PMP)

The S5 includes a Physical Memory Protection (PMP) unit compliant with *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.* PMP can be used to set memory access privileges (read, write, execute) for specified memory regions. The S5 PMP supports 8 regions with a minimum region size of 4 bytes.

This section describes how PMP concepts in the RISC-V architecture apply to the S5. The definitive resource for information about the RISC-V PMP is *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.*

3.9.1 Functional Description

The S5 includes a PMP unit, which can be used to restrict access to memory and isolate processes from each other.

The S5 PMP unit has 8 regions and a minimum granularity of 4 bytes. Overlapping regions are permitted. The S5 PMP unit implements the architecturally defined pmpcfgX CSR pmpcfg0 supporting 8 regions. pmpcfg1, pmpcfg2, and pmpcfg3 are implemented but hardwired to zero.

The PMP registers may only be programmed in M-mode. Ordinarily, the PMP unit enforces permissions on U-mode accesses. However, locked regions (see Section 3.9.2) additionally enforce their permissions on M-mode.

3.9.2 Region Locking

The PMP allows for region locking whereby, once a region is locked, further writes to the configuration and address registers are ignored. Locked PMP entries may only be unlocked with a system reset. A region may be locked by setting the L bit in the pmpicfg register.

In addition to locking the PMP entry, the L bit indicates whether the R/W/X permissions are enforced on M-Mode accesses. When the L bit is clear, the R/W/X permissions apply only to U-mode.

3.10 Hardware Performance Monitor

The S54 supports a basic hardware performance monitoring facility compliant with *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.* The mcycle CSR holds a count of the number of clock cycles the hart has executed since some arbitrary time in the past. The minstret CSR holds a count of the number of instructions the hart has retired since some arbitrary time in the past. Both are 64-bit counters.

The hardware performance monitor includes two additional event counters, mhpmcounter3 and mhpmcounter4. The event selector CSRs mhpmevent3 and mhpmevent4 are registers that control which event causes the corresponding counter to increment. The mhpmcounters are 40-bit counters.

The event selectors are partitioned into two fields, as shown in Table 3: the lower 8 bits select an event class, and the upper bits form a mask of events in that class. The counter increments if the event corresponding to any set mask bit occurs. For example, if mhpmevent3 is set to 0x4200, then mhpmcounter3 will increment when either a load instruction or a conditional branch instruction retires. An event selector of 0 means "count nothing."

Note that in-flight and recently retired instructions may or may not be reflected when reading or writing the performance counters or writing the event selectors.

Machine Hardware Performance Monitor Event Register			
Ins	truction Commit Events, mhpeventX[7:0] = 0		
Bits	Meaning		
8	Exception taken		
9	Integer load instruction retired		
10	Integer store instruction retired		
11	Atomic memory operation retired		
12	System instruction retired		
13	Integer arithmetic instruction retired		
14	Conditional branch retired		
15	JAL instruction retired		
16	JALR instruction retired		
17	Integer multiplication instruction retired		
18	Integer division instruction retired		
19	Floating-point load instruction retired		
20	Floating-point store instruction retired		
21	Floating-point addition retired		
22	Floating-point multiplication retired		
23	Floating-point fused multiply-add retired		
24	Floating-point division or square-root retired		
25	Other floating-point instruction retired		
Mid	croarchitectural Events, $mhpeventX[7:0] = 1$		
Bits	Meaning		
8	Load-use interlock		
9	Long-latency interlock		
10	CSR read interlock		
11	Instruction cache/ITIM busy		
12	Data cache/DTIM busy		
13	Branch direction misprediction		
14	Branch/jump target misprediction		
15	Pipeline flush from CSR write		
16	Pipeline flush from other event		
17	Integer multiplication interlock		
18	Floating-point interlock		
M	emory System Events, mhpeventX[7:0] = 2		
Bits	Meaning		
8	Instruction cache miss		
9	Memory-mapped I/O access		

 Table 3:
 mhpmevent Register Description

Memory Map

The memory map of the S54 is shown in Table 4.

Base	Тор	Attr.	Description
0x0000_0000	0x0000_0FFF	RWX A	Debug
0×0000_1000	0x017F_FFFF		Reserved
0x0180_0000	0x0180_3FFF	RWX A	ITIM
0x0180_4000	0x01FF_FFFF		Reserved
0x0200_0000	0x0200_FFFF	RW A	CLINT
0x0201_0000	0x0BFF_FFFF		Reserved
0x0C00_0000	0x0FFF_FFFF	RW A	PLIC
0x1000_0000	0x1FFF_FFFF		Reserved
0x2000_0000	0x3FFF_FFFF	RWX A	Peripheral Port (512 MiB)
0x4000_0000	0x5FFF_FFFF	RWX	System Port (512 MiB)
0x6000_0000	0x7FFF_FFFF		Reserved
0x8000_0000	0x8000_FFFF	RWX A	DTIM (64 KiB)
0x8001_0000	0xFFFF_FFFF		Reserved

Table 4: S54 Memory Map. Memory Attributes: **R** - Read, **W** - Write, **X** - Execute, **C** - Cacheable, **A** - Atomics

Interrupts

This chapter describes how interrupt concepts in the RISC-V architecture apply to the S54.

The definitive resource for information about the RISC-V interrupt architecture is *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.*

5.1 Interrupt Concepts

The S54 supports Machine Mode interrupts. It also has support for the following types of RISC-V interrupts: local and global.

Local interrupts are signaled directly to an individual hart with a dedicated interrupt value. This allows for reduced interrupt latency as no arbitration is required to determine which hart will service a given request and no additional memory accesses are required to determine the cause of the interrupt.

Software and timer interrupts are local interrupts generated by the Core-Local Interruptor (CLINT).

Global interrupts, by contrast, are routed through a Platform-Level Interrupt Controller (PLIC), which can direct interrupts to any hart in the system via the external interrupt. Decoupling global interrupts from the hart(s) allows the design of the PLIC to be tailored to the platform, permitting a broad range of attributes like the number of interrupts and the prioritization and routing schemes.

This chapter describes the S54 interrupt architecture.

Chapter 6 describes the Core-Local Interruptor.

Chapter 7 describes the global interrupt architecture and the PLIC design.

The S54 interrupt architecture is depicted in Figure 2.

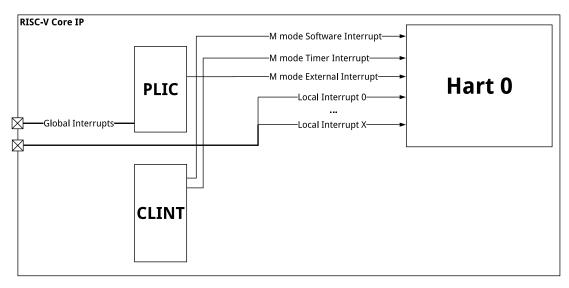


Figure 2: S54 Interrupt Architecture Block Diagram.

5.2 Interrupt Operation

If the global interrupt-enable mstatus.MIE is clear, then no interrupts will be taken. If mstatus.MIE is set, then pending-enabled interrupts at a higher interrupt level will preempt current execution and run the interrupt handler for the higher interrupt level.

When an interrupt or synchronous exception is taken, the privilege mode is modified to reflect the new privilege mode. The global interrupt-enable bit of the handler's privilege mode is cleared.

5.2.1 Interrupt Entry and Exit

When an interrupt occurs:

- The value of mstatus.MIE is copied into mcause.MPIE, and then mstatus.MIE is cleared, effectively disabling interrupts.
- The privilege mode prior to the interrupt is encoded in mstatus. MPP.
- The current pc is copied into the mepc register, and then pc is set to the value specified by mtvec as defined by the mtvec. MODE described in Table 7.

At this point, control is handed over to software in the interrupt handler with interrupts disabled. Interrupts can be re-enabled by explicitly setting mstatus.MIE or by executing an MRET instruction to exit the handler. When an MRET instruction is executed, the following occurs:

- The privilege mode is set to the value encoded in mstatus. MPP.
- The global interrupt enable, mstatus.MIE, is set to the value of mcause.MPIE.

• The pc is set to the value of mepc.

At this point control is handed over to software.

The Control and Status Registers involved in handling RISC-V interrupts are described in Section 5.3.

5.3 Interrupt Control Status Registers

The S54 specific implementation of interrupt CSRs is described below. For a complete description of RISC-V interrupt behavior and how to access CSRs, please consult *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.*

5.3.1 Machine Status Register (mstatus)

The mstatus register keeps track of and controls the hart's current operating state, including whether or not interrupts are enabled. A summary of the mstatus fields related to interrupts in the S54 is provided in Table 5. Note that this is not a complete description of mstatus as it contains fields unrelated to interrupts. For the full description of mstatus, please consult *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.*

Machine Status Register				
CSR		mstatus		
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Description	
[2:0]	Reserved	WPRI		
3	MIE	RW	Machine Interrupt Enable	
[6:4]	Reserved	WPRI		
7	MPIE	RW	Machine Previous Interrupt Enable	
[10:8]	Reserved	WPRI		
[12:11]	MPP	RW	Machine Previous Privilege Mode	

Table 5: S54 mstatus Register (partial)

Interrupts are enabled by setting the MIE bit in mstatus and by enabling the desired individual interrupt in the mie register, described in Section 5.3.3.

5.3.2 Machine Trap Vector (mtvec)

The mtvec register has two main functions: defining the base address of the trap vector, and setting the mode by which the S54 will process interrupts. The interrupt processing mode is defined in the lower two bits of the mtvec register as described in Table 7.

Machine Trap Vector Register				
CSR		mtvec		
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Description	
[1:0]	MODE	WARL	MODE Sets the interrupt processing mode. The encoding for the S54 supported modes	
			is described in Table 7.	
[63:2]	BASE[63:2]	WARL	Interrupt Vector Base Address. Requires 64-byte alignment.	

Table 6: mtvec Register

MODE Field Encoding mtvec.MODE			
Value Name Description		Description	
0x0	Direct	All exceptions set pc to BASE	
0x1	Vectored	Asynchronous interrupts set pc to BASE + 4 ×	
		mcause.EXCCODE.	
≥ 2	Reserved		

Table 7: Encoding of mtvec.MODE

See Table 6 for a description of the mtvec register. See Table 7 for a description of the mtvec.MODE field. See Table 11 for the S54 interrupt exception code values.

Mode Direct

When operating in direct mode all synchronous exceptions and asynchronous interrupts trap to the mtvec.BASE address. Inside the trap handler, software must read the mcause register to determine what triggered the trap.

Mode Vectored

While operating in vectored mode, interrupts set the pc to mtvec.BASE + 4 × exception code (mcause.EXCCODE). For example, if a machine timer interrupt is taken, the pc is set to mtvec.BASE + 0x1C. Typically, the trap vector table is populated with jump instructions to transfer control to interrupt-specific trap handlers.

In vectored interrupt mode, BASE must be 64-byte aligned.

All machine external interrupts (global interrupts) are mapped to exception code of 11. Thus, when interrupt vectoring is enabled, the pc is set to address mtvec.BASE + 0x2C for any global interrupt.

5.3.3 Machine Interrupt Enable (mie)

Individual interrupts are enabled by setting the appropriate bit in the mie register. The mie register is described in Table 8.

	Machine Interrupt Enable Register					
CSR			mie			
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Description			
[2:0]	Reserved	WPRI				
3	MSIE	RW	Machine Software Interrupt Enable			
[6:4]	Reserved	WPRI				
7	MTIE	RW	Machine Timer Interrupt Enable			
[10:8]	Reserved	WPRI				
11	MEIE	RW	Machine External Interrupt Enable			
[15:12]	Reserved	WPRI				
16	LIE0	RW	Local Interrupt 0 Enable			
17	LIE1	RW	Local Interrupt 1 Enable			
18	LIE2	RW	Local Interrupt 2 Enable			
31	LIE15	RW	Local Interrupt 15 Enable			
[63:32]	Reserved	WPRI				

Table 8: mie Register

5.3.4 Machine Interrupt Pending (mip)

The machine interrupt pending (mip) register indicates which interrupts are currently pending. The mip register is described in Table 9.

	Machine Interrupt Pending Register					
CSR			mip			
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Description			
[2:0]	Reserved	WIRI				
3	MSIP	RO	Machine Software Interrupt Pending			
[6:4]	Reserved	WIRI				
7	MTIP	RO	Machine Timer Interrupt Pending			
[10:8]	Reserved	WIRI				
11	MEIP	RO	Machine External Interrupt Pending			
[15:12]	Reserved	WIRI				
16	LIP0	RO	Local Interrupt 0 Pending			
17	LIP1	RO	Local Interrupt 1 Pending			
18	LIP2	RO	Local Interrupt 2 Pending			
31	LIP15	RO	Local Interrupt 15 Pending			
[63:32]	Reserved	WIRI				

Table 9: mip Register

5.3.5 Machine Cause (mcause)

When a trap is taken in machine mode, mcause is written with a code indicating the event that caused the trap. When the event that caused the trap is an interrupt, the most-significant bit of mcause is set to 1, and the least-significant bits indicate the interrupt number, using the same encoding as the bit positions in mip. For example, a Machine Timer Interrupt causes mcause to be set to 0x8000_0000_0000_0007. mcause is also used to indicate the cause of synchronous exceptions, in which case the most-significant bit of mcause is set to 0.

See Table 10 for more details about the mcause register. Refer to Table 11 for a list of synchronous exception codes.

	Machine Cause Register					
CSR			mcause			
Bits	Field Name	Field Name Attr. Description				
[9:0]	Exception Code	Exception Code WLRL A code identifying the last exception.				
[62:10]	Reserved	Reserved WLRL				
63	Interrupt	WARL	1 if the trap was caused by an interrupt; 0			
			otherwise.			

Table 10: mcause Register

	Interrupt Exception Codes					
Interrupt	Exception Code	Description				
1	0–2	Reserved				
1	3	Machine software interrupt				
1	4–6	Reserved				
1	7	Machine timer interrupt				
1	8–10	Reserved				
1	11	Machine external interrupt				
1	12–15	Reserved				
1	16	Local Interrupt 0				
1	17	Local Interrupt 1				
1	18–30					
1	31	Local Interrupt 15				
1	≥ 32	Reserved				
0	0	Instruction address misaligned				
0	1	Instruction access fault				
0	2	Illegal instruction				
0	3	Breakpoint				
0	4	Load address misaligned				
0	5	Load access fault				
0	6	Store/AMO address misaligned				
0	7	Store/AMO access fault				
0	8	Environment call from U-mode				
0	9–10	Reserved				
0	11	Environment call from M-mode				
0	≥ 12	Reserved				

Table 11: mcause Exception Codes

5.4 Interrupt Priorities

Local interrupts have higher priority than global interrupts. As such, if a local and a global interrupt arrive at a hart on the same cycle, the local interrupt will be taken if it is enabled.

Priorities of local interrupts are determined by the local interrupt ID, with Local Interrupt 15 being highest priority. For example, if both Local Interrupt 15 and Local Interrupt 14 arrive in the same cycle, Local Interrupt 15 will be taken.

Local Interrupt 15 is the highest-priority interrupt in the S54. Given that Local Interrupt 15's exception code is also the greatest, it occupies the last slot in the interrupt vector table. This unique position in the vector table allows for Local Interrupt 15's trap handler to be placed inline, without the need for a jump instruction as with other interrupts when operating in vectored mode. Hence, Local Interrupt 15 should be used for the most latency-sensitive interrupt in the system for a given hart. Individual priorities of global interrupts are determined by the PLIC, as discussed in Chapter 7.

S54 interrupts are prioritized as follows, in decreasing order of priority:

- · Local Interrupt 15
- ...
- · Local Interrupt 0
- Machine external interrupts
- · Machine software interrupts
- · Machine timer interrupts

5.5 Interrupt Latency

Interrupt latency for the S54 is 4 cycles, as counted by the numbers of cycles it takes from signaling of the interrupt to the hart to the first instruction fetch of the handler.

Global interrupts routed through the PLIC incur additional latency of 3 cycles where the PLIC is clocked by clock. This means that the total latency, in cycles, for a global interrupt is: $4 + 3 \times (core_clock_0 Hz \div clock Hz)$. This is a best case cycle count and assumes the handler is cached or located in ITIM. It does not take into account additional latency from a peripheral source.

Core-Local Interruptor (CLINT)

The CLINT block holds memory-mapped control and status registers associated with software and timer interrupts. The S54 CLINT complies with *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10.*

6.1 CLINT Memory Map

Table 12 shows the memory map for CLINT on SiFive S54.

Address	Width	Attr.	Description	Notes
0x0200_0000	4B	RW	msip for hart 0	MSIP Registers (1 bit wide)
0x0200_4008			Reserved	
0x0200_BFF7				
0x0200_4000	8B	RW	mtimecmp for hart 0	MTIMECMP Registers
0x0200_4008			Reserved	
0x0200_BFF7				
0x0200_BFF8	8B	RW	mtime	Timer Register
0x0200_C000			Reserved	

Table 12: CLINT Register Map

6.2 MSIP Registers

Machine-mode software interrupts are generated by writing to the memory-mapped control register msip. Each msip register is a 32-bit wide **WARL** register where the upper 31 bits are tied to 0. The least significant bit is reflected in the MSIP bit of the mip CSR. Other bits in the msip register are hardwired to zero. On reset, each msip register is cleared to zero.

Software interrupts are most useful for interprocessor communication in multi-hart systems, as harts may write each other's msip bits to effect interprocessor interrupts.

6.3 Timer Registers

mtime is a 64-bit read-write register that contains the number of cycles counted from the rtc_toggle signal described in the S54 User Guide. A timer interrupt is pending whenever mtime is greater than or equal to the value in the mtimecmp register. The timer interrupt is reflected in the mtip bit of the mip register described in Chapter 5.

On reset, mtime is cleared to zero. The mtimecmp registers are not reset.

Platform-Level Interrupt Controller (PLIC)

This chapter describes the operation of the platform-level interrupt controller (PLIC) on the S54. The PLIC complies with *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10* and can support a maximum of 127 external interrupt sources with 7 priority levels.

The S54 PLIC resides in the clock timing domain, allowing for relaxed timing requirements. The latency of global interrupts, as perceived by a hart, increases with the ratio of the core_clock_0 frequency and the clock frequency.

7.1 Memory Map

The memory map for the S54 PLIC control registers is shown in Table 13. The PLIC memory map has been designed to only require naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses.

PLIC Register Map							
Address	Width	Attr.	Description	Notes			
0x0C00_0000			Reserved				
0x0C00_0004	4B	RW	source 1 priority	See Section 7.3 for more			
				information			
0x0C00_01FC	4B	RW	source 127 priority	Information			
0x0C00_0200			Reserved				
0x0C00_1000	4B	RO	Start of pending array	See Section 7.4 for more			
				information			
0x0C00_100C	4B	RO	Last word of pending array	Information			
0x0C00_1010			Reserved				
0x0C00_2000	4B	RW	Start Hart 0 M-Mode interrupt				
			enables	See Section 7.5 for more			
				information			
0x0C00_200C	4B	RW	End Hart 0 M-Mode interrupt				
0.0000.0040			enables				
0x0C00_2010			Reserved				
	40	DVA	Llant O M Mada milante.	Con Continua 7 C for more			
0x0C20_0000	4B	RW	Hart 0 M-Mode priority threshold	See Section 7.6 for more information			
0x0C20_0004	4B	RW	Hart 0 M-Mode claim/com-	See Section 7.7 for more			
0.0020_0004	70	1	plete	information			
0x0C20_0008			Reserved				
0x1000_0000			End of PLIC Memory Map				

Table 13: SiFive PLIC Register Map. Only naturally aligned 32-bit memory accesses are required.

7.2 Interrupt Sources

The S54 has 127 interrupt sources. These are exposed at the top level via the global_interrupts signals. Any unused global_interrupts inputs should be tied to logic 0. These signals are positive-level triggered.

In the PLIC, as specified in *The RISC-V Instruction Set Manual, Volume II: Privileged Architecture, Version 1.10*, Global Interrupt ID 0 is defined to mean "no interrupt," hence global_interrupts[0] corresponds to PLIC Interrupt ID 1.

7.3 Interrupt Priorities

Each PLIC interrupt source can be assigned a priority by writing to its 32-bit memory-mapped priority register. The S54 supports 7 levels of priority. A priority value of 0 is reserved to mean "never interrupt" and effectively disables the interrupt. Priority 1 is the lowest active priority, and priority 7 is the highest. Ties between global interrupts of the same priority are broken by the Interrupt ID; interrupts with the lowest ID have the highest effective priority. See Table 14 for the detailed register description.

	PLIC Interrupt Priority Register (priority)					
Base Address 0x0C00_0000 + 4 × Interrupt ID						
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Attr. Rst. Description			
[2:0]	Priority	RW X Sets the priority for a given global interrupt.				
[31:3]	Reserved	RO	0			

Table 14: PLIC Interrupt Priority Registers

7.4 Interrupt Pending Bits

The current status of the interrupt source pending bits in the PLIC core can be read from the pending array, organized as 4 words of 32 bits. The pending bit for interrupt ID N is stored in bit $(N \mod 32)$ of word (N/32). As such, the S54 has 4 interrupt pending registers. Bit 0 of word 0, which represents the non-existent interrupt source 0, is hardwired to zero.

A pending bit in the PLIC core can be cleared by setting the associated enable bit then performing a claim as described in Section 7.7.

	PLIC Interrupt Pending Register 1 (pending1)					
В	ase Address			0x0C00_1000		
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Rst.	Description		
0	Interrupt 0 Pend-	RO	0	Non-existent global interrupt 0 is hard-		
	ing			wired to zero		
1	Interrupt 1 Pend- ing	RO	0	Pending bit for global interrupt 1		
2	Interrupt 2 Pend- ing	RO	0	Pending bit for global interrupt 2		
31	Interrupt 31 Pend- ing	RO	0	Pending bit for global interrupt 31		

Table 15: PLIC Interrupt Pending Register 1

	PLIC Interrupt Pending Register 4 (pending4)					
В	ase Address	0x0C00_100C				
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Rst.	Description		
0	Interrupt 96 Pend- ing	RO	0	Pending bit for global interrupt 96		
31	Interrupt 127 Pending	RO	0	Pending bit for global interrupt 127		

Table 16: PLIC Interrupt Pending Register 4

7.5 Interrupt Enables

Each global interrupt can be enabled by setting the corresponding bit in the enables registers. The enables registers are accessed as a contiguous array of 4×32 -bit words, packed the same way as the pending bits. Bit 0 of enable word 0 represents the non-existent interrupt ID 0 and is hardwired to 0.

64-bit and 32-bit word accesses are supported by the enables array in SiFive RV64 systems.

	PLIC Interrupt Enable Register 1 (enable1) for Hart 0 M-Mode					
В	ase Address			0x0C00_2000		
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Rst.	Description		
0	Interrupt 0 Enable	RO	0	Non-existent global interrupt 0 is hard- wired to zero		
1	Interrupt 1 Enable	RW	Х	Enable bit for global interrupt 1		
2	Interrupt 2 Enable	RW	Х	Enable bit for global interrupt 2		
31	Interrupt 31 Enable	RW	Х	Enable bit for global interrupt 31		

Table 17: PLIC Interrupt Enable Register 1 for Hart 0 M-Mode

	PLIC Interrupt Enable Register 4 (enable4) for Hart 0 M-Mode					
В	Base Address			0x0C00_200C		
Bits	Field Name	Attr. Rst. Description				
0	Interrupt 96 Enable	RW	Х	Enable bit for global interrupt 96		
31	Interrupt 127 Enable	RW	Х	Enable bit for global interrupt 127		

Table 18: PLIC Interrupt Enable Register 4 for Hart 0 M-Mode

7.6 Priority Thresholds

The S54 supports setting of an interrupt priority threshold via the threshold register. The threshold is a **WARL** field, where the S54 supports a maximum threshold of 7.

The S54 masks all PLIC interrupts of a priority less than or equal to threshold. For example, a threshold value of zero permits all interrupts with non-zero priority, whereas a value of 7 masks all interrupts.

PLIC Interrupt Priority Threshold Register (threshold)					
Ва	ase Address	0x0C20_0000			
[2:0]	Threshold	RW X		Sets the priority threshold	
[31:3]	Reserved	RO	0		

Table 19: PLIC Interrupt Threshold Register

7.7 Interrupt Claim Process

A S54 hart can perform an interrupt claim by reading the claim/complete register (Table 20), which returns the ID of the highest-priority pending interrupt or zero if there is no pending interrupt. A successful claim also atomically clears the corresponding pending bit on the interrupt source.

A S54 hart can perform a claim at any time, even if the MEIP bit in its mip (Table 9) register is not set.

The claim operation is not affected by the setting of the priority threshold register.

7.8 Interrupt Completion

A S54 hart signals it has completed executing an interrupt handler by writing the interrupt ID it received from the claim to the claim/complete register (Table 20). The PLIC does not check whether the completion ID is the same as the last claim ID for that target. If the completion ID does not match an interrupt source that is currently enabled for the target, the completion is silently ignored.

	PLIC Claim/Complete Register (claim)				
Base Address		0x0C20_0004			
[31:0]	Interrupt Claim/ Complete for Hart 0 M-Mode	RW	X	A read of zero indicates that no interrupts are pending. A non-zero read contains the id of the highest pending interrupt. A write to this register signals completion of the interrupt id written.	

 Table 20:
 PLIC Interrupt Claim/Complete Register for Hart 0 M-Mode

Custom Instructions

These custom instructions use the SYSTEM instruction encoding space, which is the same as custom CSR encoding space, but with funct3=0.

8.1 CFLUSH.D.L1

- Implemented as state machine in L1 D\$, for cores with data caches.
- Only available in M-mode.
- Opcode 0xFC000073: with optional rs1 field in bits 19:15.
- When rs1 = x0, CFLUSH.D.L1 writes back and invalidates all lines in the L1 D\$.
- When rs1 != x0, CFLUSH.D.L1 writes back and invalidates the L1 D\$ line containing the virtual address in integer register rs1.
- If the effective privilege mode does not have write permissions to the address in rs1, then a store access or store page-fault exception is raised.
- If the address in rs1 is in an uncacheable region with write permissions, the instruction has no effect but raises no exceptions.
- Note that if the PMP scheme write-protects only part of a cache line, then using a value for rs1 in the write-protected region will cause an exception, whereas using a value for rs1 in the write-permitted region will write back the entire cache line.

8.2 CDISCARD.D.L1

- Implemented as state machine in L1 D\$, for cores with data caches.
- Only available in M-mode.
- Opcode 0xFC200073: with optional rs1 field in bits 19:15.
- When rs1 = x0, CDISCARD.D.L1 invalidates, but does not write back, all lines in the L1 D\$. Dirty data within the cache is lost.

- When rs1 ≠ x0, CDISCARD.D.L1 invalidates, but does not write back, the L1 D\$ line containing the virtual address in integer register rs1. Dirty data within the cache line is lost.
- If the effective privilege mode does not have write permissions to the address in rs1, then a store access or store page-fault exception is raised.
- If the address in rs1 is in an uncacheable region with write permissions, the instruction has no effect but raises no exceptions.
- Note that if the PMP scheme write-protects only part of a cache line, then using a value for rs1 in the write-protected region will cause an exception, whereas using a value for rs1 in the write-permitted region will invalidate and discard the entire cache line.

8.3 Other Custom Instructions

Other custom instructions may be implemented, but their functionality is not documented further here and they should not be used in this version of the S54.

Debug

This chapter describes the operation of SiFive debug hardware, which follows *The RISC-V Debug Specification, Version 0.13*. Currently only interactive debug and hardware breakpoints are supported.

9.1 Debug CSRs

This section describes the per-hart trace and debug registers (TDRs), which are mapped into the CSR space as follows:

CSR Name	Description	Allowed Access Modes
tselect	Trace and debug register select	D, M
tdata1	First field of selected TDR	D, M
tdata2	Second field of selected TDR	D, M
tdata3	Third field of selected TDR	D, M
dcsr	Debug control and status register	D
dpc	Debug PC	D
dscratch	Debug scratch register	D

Table 21: Debug Control and Status Registers

The dcsr, dpc, and dscratch registers are only accessible in debug mode, while the tselect and tdata1-3 registers are accessible from either debug mode or machine mode.

9.1.1 Trace and Debug Register Select (tselect)

To support a large and variable number of TDRs for tracing and breakpoints, they are accessed through one level of indirection where the tselect register selects which bank of three tdata1-3 registers are accessed via the other three addresses.

The tselect register has the format shown below:

Trace and Debug Select Register				
CSR	tselect			
Bits	Field Name	Attr.	Description	
[31:0]	index	WARL	Selection index of trace and debug registers	

Table 22: tselect CSR

The index field is a **WARL** field that does not hold indices of unimplemented TDRs. Even if index can hold a TDR index, it does not guarantee the TDR exists. The type field of tdata1 must be inspected to determine whether the TDR exists.

9.1.2 Trace and Debug Data Registers (tdata1-3)

The tdata1-3 registers are XLEN-bit read/write registers selected from a larger underlying bank of TDR registers by the tselect register.

Trace and Debug Data Register 1					
CSR		tdata1			
Bits	Field Name Attr. Description				
[27:0]		TDR-Specific Data			
[31:28]	type	type RO Type of the trace & debu			
		by tselect			

Table 23: tdata1 CSR

Trace and Debug Data Registers 2 and 3					
CSR	tdata2/3				
Bits	Field Name Attr. Description				
[31:0]	TDR-Specific Data				

Table 24: tdata2/3 CSRs

The high nibble of tdata1 contains a 4-bit type code that is used to identify the type of TDR selected by tselect. The currently defined types are shown below:

Туре	Description
0	No such TDR register
1	Reserved
2	Address/Data Match Trigger
≥ 3	Reserved

Table 25: tdata Types

The dmode bit selects between debug mode (dmode=1) and machine mode (dmode=1) views of the registers, where only debug mode code can access the debug mode view of the TDRs. Any

attempt to read/write the tdata1-3 registers in machine mode when dmode=1 raises an illegal instruction exception.

9.1.3 Debug Control and Status Register (dcsr)

This register gives information about debug capabilities and status. Its detailed functionality is described in *The RISC-V Debug Specification*, *Version 0.13*.

9.1.4 **Debug PC (dpc)**

When entering debug mode, the current PC is copied here. When leaving debug mode, execution resumes at this PC.

9.1.5 Debug Scratch (dscratch)

This register is generally reserved for use by Debug ROM in order to save registers needed by the code in Debug ROM. The debugger may use it as described in *The RISC-V Debug Specification*, *Version 0.13*.

9.2 Breakpoints

The S54 supports four hardware breakpoint registers per hart, which can be flexibly shared between debug mode and machine mode.

When a breakpoint register is selected with tselect, the other CSRs access the following information for the selected breakpoint:

CSR Name	Breakpoint Alias	Description
tselect	tselect	Breakpoint selection index
tdata1	mcontrol	Breakpoint match control
tdata2	maddress	Breakpoint match address
tdata3	N/A	Reserved

Table 26: TDR CSRs when used as Breakpoints

9.2.1 Breakpoint Match Control Register (mcontrol)

Each breakpoint control register is a read/write register laid out in Table 27.

	Breakpoint Control Register (mcontrol)				
Registe	Register Offset		CSR		
Bits	Field	Attr.	Rst.	Description	
	Name				
0	R	WARL	X	Address match on LOAD	
1	W	WARL	X	Address match on STORE	
2	X	WARL	Х	Address match on Instruction FETCH	
3	U	WARL	Х	Address match on User Mode	
4	S	WARL	Х	Address match on Supervisor Mode	
5	Reserved	WPRI	Х	Reserved	
6	М	WARL	Х	Address match on Machine Mode	
[10:7]	match	WARL	Х	Breakpoint Address Match type	
11	chain	WARL	0	Chain adjacent conditions.	
[15:12]	action	WARL	0	Breakpoint action to take.	
[17:16]	sizelo	WARL	0	Size of the breakpoint. Always 0.	
18	timing	WARL	0	Timing of the breakpoint. Always 0.	
19	select	WARL	0	Perform match on address or data.	
				Always 0.	
20	Reserved	WPRI	Х	Reserved	
[26:21]	maskmax	RO	4	Largest supported NAPOT range	
27	dmode	RW	0	Debug-Only access mode	
[31:28]	type	RO	2	Address/Data match type, always 2	

Table 27: Test and Debug Data Register 3

The type field is a 4-bit read-only field holding the value 2 to indicate this is a breakpoint containing address match logic.

The action field is a 4-bit read-write **WARL** field that specifies the available actions when the address match is successful. The value 0 generates a breakpoint exception. The value 1 enters debug mode. Other actions are not implemented.

The R/W/X bits are individual **WARL** fields, and if set, indicate an address match should only be successful for loads/stores/instruction fetches, respectively, and all combinations of implemented bits must be supported.

The M/S/U bits are individual **WARL** fields, and if set, indicate that an address match should only be successful in the machine/supervisor/user modes, respectively, and all combinations of implemented bits must be supported.

The match field is a 4-bit read-write **WARL** field that encodes the type of address range for breakpoint address matching. Three different match settings are currently supported: exact, NAPOT, and arbitrary range. A single breakpoint register supports both exact address matches and matches with address ranges that are naturally aligned powers-of-two (NAPOT) in size. Breakpoint registers can be paired to specify arbitrary exact ranges, with the lower-numbered breakpoint register giving the byte address at the bottom of the range and the higher-numbered

breakpoint register giving the address 1 byte above the breakpoint range, and using the chain bit to indicate both must match for the action to be taken.

NAPOT ranges make use of low-order bits of the associated breakpoint address register to encode the size of the range as follows:

maddress	Match type and size
aaaaaaa	Exact 1 byte
aaaaaaa0	2-byte NAPOT range
aaaaa01	4-byte NAPOT range
aaaa011	8-byte NAPOT range
aaa0111	16-byte NAPOT range
aa01111	32-byte NAPOT range
a011111	2 ³¹ -byte NAPOT range

Table 28: NAPOT Size Encoding

The maskmax field is a 6-bit read-only field that specifies the largest supported NAPOT range. The value is the logarithm base 2 of the number of bytes in the largest supported NAPOT range. A value of 0 indicates that only exact address matches are supported (1-byte range). A value of 31 corresponds to the maximum NAPOT range, which is 2^{31} bytes in size. The largest range is encoded in maddress with the 30 least-significant bits set to 1, bit 30 set to 0, and bit 31 holding the only address bit considered in the address comparison.

To provide breakpoints on an exact range, two neighboring breakpoints can be combined with the chain bit. The first breakpoint can be set to match on an address using action of 2 (greater than or equal). The second breakpoint can be set to match on address using action of 3 (less than). Setting the chain bit on the first breakpoint prevents the second breakpoint from firing unless they both match.

9.2.2 Breakpoint Match Address Register (maddress)

Each breakpoint match address register is an XLEN-bit read/write register used to hold significant address bits for address matching and also the unary-encoded address masking information for NAPOT ranges.

9.2.3 Breakpoint Execution

Breakpoint traps are taken precisely. Implementations that emulate misaligned accesses in software will generate a breakpoint trap when either half of the emulated access falls within the address range. Implementations that support misaligned accesses in hardware must trap if any byte of an access falls within the matching range.

Debug-mode breakpoint traps jump to the debug trap vector without altering machine-mode registers.

Machine-mode breakpoint traps jump to the exception vector with "Breakpoint" set in the mcause register and with badaddr holding the instruction or data address that caused the trap.

9.2.4 Sharing Breakpoints Between Debug and Machine Mode

When debug mode uses a breakpoint register, it is no longer visible to machine mode (that is, the tdrtype will be 0). Typically, a debugger will leave the breakpoints alone until it needs them, either because a user explicitly requested one or because the user is debugging code in ROM.

9.3 Debug Memory Map

This section describes the debug module's memory map when accessed via the regular system interconnect. The debug module is only accessible to debug code running in debug mode on a hart (or via a debug transport module).

9.3.1 Debug RAM and Program Buffer (0x300-0x3FF)

The S54 has 16 32-bit words of program buffer for the debugger to direct a hart to execute arbitrary RISC-V code. Its location in memory can be determined by executing aiupc instructions and storing the result into the program buffer.

The S54 has two 32-bit words of debug data RAM. Its location can be determined by reading the DMHARTINFO register as described in the RISC-V Debug Specification. This RAM space is used to pass data for the Access Register abstract command described in the RISC-V Debug Specification. The S54 supports only general-purpose register access when harts are halted. All other commands must be implemented by executing from the debug program buffer.

In the S54, both the program buffer and debug data RAM are general-purpose RAM and are mapped contiguously in the Core Complex memory space. Therefore, additional data can be passed in the program buffer, and additional instructions can be stored in the debug data RAM.

Debuggers must not execute program buffer programs that access any debug module memory except defined program buffer and debug data addresses.

The S54 does not implement the DMSTATUS.anyhavereset or DMSTATUS.allhavereset bits.

9.3.2 Debug ROM (0x800-0xfff)

This ROM region holds the debug routines on SiFive systems. The actual total size may vary between implementations.

9.3.3 Debug Flags (0x100-0x110, 0x400-0x7FF)

The flag registers in the debug module are used for the debug module to communicate with each hart. These flags are set and read used by the debug ROM and should not be accessed by any program buffer code. The specific behavior of the flags is not further documented here.

9.3.4 Safe Zero Address

In the S54, the debug module contains the addresses 0x0 through 0xFFF in the memory map. Memory accesses to these addresses raise access exceptions, unless the hart is in debug mode. This property allows a "safe" location for unprogrammed parts, as the default mtvec location is 0x0.

9.4 Debug Module Interface

The SiFive Debug Module (DM) conforms to *The RISC-V Debug Specification, Version 0.13*. A debug probe or agent connects to the Debug Module through the Debug Module Interface (DMI). The following sections describe notable spec options used in the implementation and should be read in conjunction with the RISC-V Debug Specification.

9.4.1 DM Registers

dmstatus register

dmstatus holds the DM version number and other implementation information. Most importantly, it contains status bits that indicate the current state of the selected hart(s).

dmcontrol register

A debugger performs most hart control through the dmcontrol register.

Control	Function	
dmactive	This bit enables the DM and is reflected in the dmactive output signal.	
	When dmactive=0, the clock to the DM is gated off.	
ndmreset	This is a read/write bit that drives the ndreset output signal.	
resethaltreq	When set, the DM will halt the hart when it emerges from reset.	
hartreset	Not Supported	
hartsel	This field selects the hart to operate on	
hasel	When set, additional hart(s) in the hart array mask register are selected in	
	addition to the one selected by hartsel.	

Table 29: Debug Control Register

hawindow register

This register contains a bitmap where bit 0 corresponds to hart 0, bit 1 to hart 1, etc. Any bits set in this register select the corresponding hart in addition to the hart selected by hartsel.

9.4.2 Abstract Commands

Abstract commands provide a debugger with a path to read and write processor state. Many aspects of Abstract Commands are optional in the RISC-V Debug Spec and are implemented as described below.

Cmdtype	Feature	Support
Access	GPR reg-	Access Register command, register number 0x1000 - 0x101f
Register	isters	
	CSR regis-	Not supported. CSRs are accessed using the Program Buffer.
	ters	
	FPU regis-	Not supported. FPU registers are accessed using the Program
	ters	Buffer.
	Autoexec	Both autoexecprogbuf and autoexecdata are supported.
	Post-incre-	Not supported.
	ment	
Quick		Not supported.
Access		
Access		Not supported. Memory access is accomplished using the Pro-
Memory		gram Buffer.

Table 30: Debug Abstract Commands

9.4.3 System Bus Access

System Bus Access (SBA) provides an alternative method to access memory. SBA operation conforms to the RISC-V Debug Spec and the description is not duplicated here. Comparing Program Buffer memory access and SBA:

Program Buffer Memory Access	SBA Memory Access
Virtual address	Physical Address
Subject to Physical Memory Protection (PMP)	Not subject to PMP
Cache coherent	Cache coherent
Hart must be halted	Hart may be halted or running

Table 31: System Bus VS Program Buffer Comparison

References

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