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Cortex®-A5, A7, A8, A9, A15, A17: Arm® Cortex-A Architecture Training - Face-to-Face Training

Objectives

You know the Cortex®-A architecture and can write software in C and Assembler. This is the perfect start for designing Arm based systems.

Participants

Software and hardware developers

Requirements

A basic understanding of ANSI-C and microcontrollers.

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Content

Cortex®-Ax Processor Architecture

- Operating modes, states, pipeline, register organization
- User mode, fast interrupt (FIQ) mode, interrupt (IRQ) mode
- Supervisor mode, system mode, undefined mode, secure monitor mode
- Thumb-2 state, Arm state, Jazelle state, ThumbEE state
- Cortex®-Ax register file
- Status register

Arm Processor Cores: Overview

- Cortex®-M, Cortex®-R, Cortex®-A processor cores
- Arm7 / Arm9 / Arm10 / Arm11

Arm, Thumb-2 and DSP Instruction Sets

- v7 Thumb-2 instruction set
- Arm/Thumb interworking
- Most important assembler directives
- v4, v4T, v5, v6 instruction set overview

Advanced SIMD and VFP Extension

- NEON coprocessor
- VFP floating point unit

Jazelle RCT Extension Overview

- Thumb-2EE instruction set
- ThumbEE state

Exception Handling

- Exception modes: FIQ, IRQ, ABORT, UNDEF, SVC, SMC
- Exception handler templates
- Vector tables: normal, secure, monitor mode
- TrustZone (secure) exception handling
- Exception handling in singlecore and multicore systems
- Global interrupt controller (GIC)
- Vector interrupt controller (VIC)

System Control Coprocessor, CP15

- Arm coprocessor concept, CP0 ... CP15

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- Overall system control & configuration
- Cache configuration and cache management
- Memory management unit (MMU) configuration
- System performance monitoring (PMU)

Level 1 Memory System

- Instruction and data cache
- Cache initialization
- Store buffer

Level 2 Memory System

- Advanced microprocessor bus architecture (AXI)
- AXI bus masters
- AXI bus slaves
- Second level caches
- Preload engine (PLE)
- On-chip RAM and flash, peripherals
- External memory interface (EMI)

Memory Management Unit MMU

- Translation lookaside buffer (TLB)
- Translation and page tables, attributes
- Virtual addressing, tablewalk

Cortex®-Ax Multiprocessor Core

- Primary, secondary CPU
- Global interrupt controller (GIC)
- Snoop control unit (SCU)
- Accelerator coherency port (ACP)
- Address filtering

Startup Singlecore System

- Startup file
- Vector table, stack, PLL and data initialization
- Cache, MMU and branch predictor initialization
- From reset to main

Startup Multicore System

- From reset to main
- Primary CPU initialization
- Secondary CPU initialization

Clock, Reset and Power Control

- Low power modes

TrustZone Extension

- TrustZone overview
- Secure monitor mode
- TrustZone exception handling
- Startup in Secure world
- Switch from Secure world to Non-secure world

Virtualization Extension

- Hyp mode
- Hypervisor
- Large address extension
- L1 and L2 tablewalk

Cortex®-Ax Debug Support

- Embedded trace macrocell (ETM)
- Program trace macrocell (PTM)
- CoreSight debug components
- Performance monitoring unit (PMU)
- Cross trigger unit
- Debug coprocessor, CP14

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Software Development Overview

- CMSIS for Cortex®-A
- Compiler options
- Linker options
- Description file
- Locating program and data in memory

Practical exercises on all topics with IAR Workbench and an evaluation board

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