
RZ/T1 Group

Performance Monitor Sample Program

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Introduction

This application note explains how to set up the performance monitor and cache operation that operate on a Cortex-R4 mounted on an RZ/T1 Group microcomputer.

Target Devices

RZ/T1

When applying the sample program covered in this application note to another microcomputer, modify the program according to the specifications for the target microcomputer and conduct an extensive evaluation of the modified program.

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1. Specifications

A Cortex-R4 mounted on an RZ/T1 microcomputer has a performance monitor that provides three event count registers and one cycle count register. Each event counter operates independently, and can count the different target event that is assigned to that counter. In addition, the Cortex-R4 of an RZ/T1 includes the instruction cache of 8 Kbytes and the data cache of 8Kbytes. These caches adopt a line size of 32 bytes. The Invalidate, Clean, and Clean & Invalidate operations can be performed on a line size basis for each cache.

“Table 1.1 Major Peripheral Functions and Applications” and “Figure 1.1 Operating Environment” show the operating environment when the sample code is being executed.

Table 1.1 Major Peripheral Functions and Applications

| Peripheral Function | Application |
|--|--|
| Clock pulse generator (CPG) | The CPG produces the CPU clock and low-speed on-chip oscillator clock signals |
| FIFO integrated serial communication interface (SCIFA) | Asynchronous communications of the SCIFA is used for COM port communications by using an RS-232C interface |
| Bus state controller (BSC) | Used to set the SDRAM that is used for the sample program. |
| Compare match timer W (CMTW unit 0) | Used to compare to the cycle count of the performance monitor. |

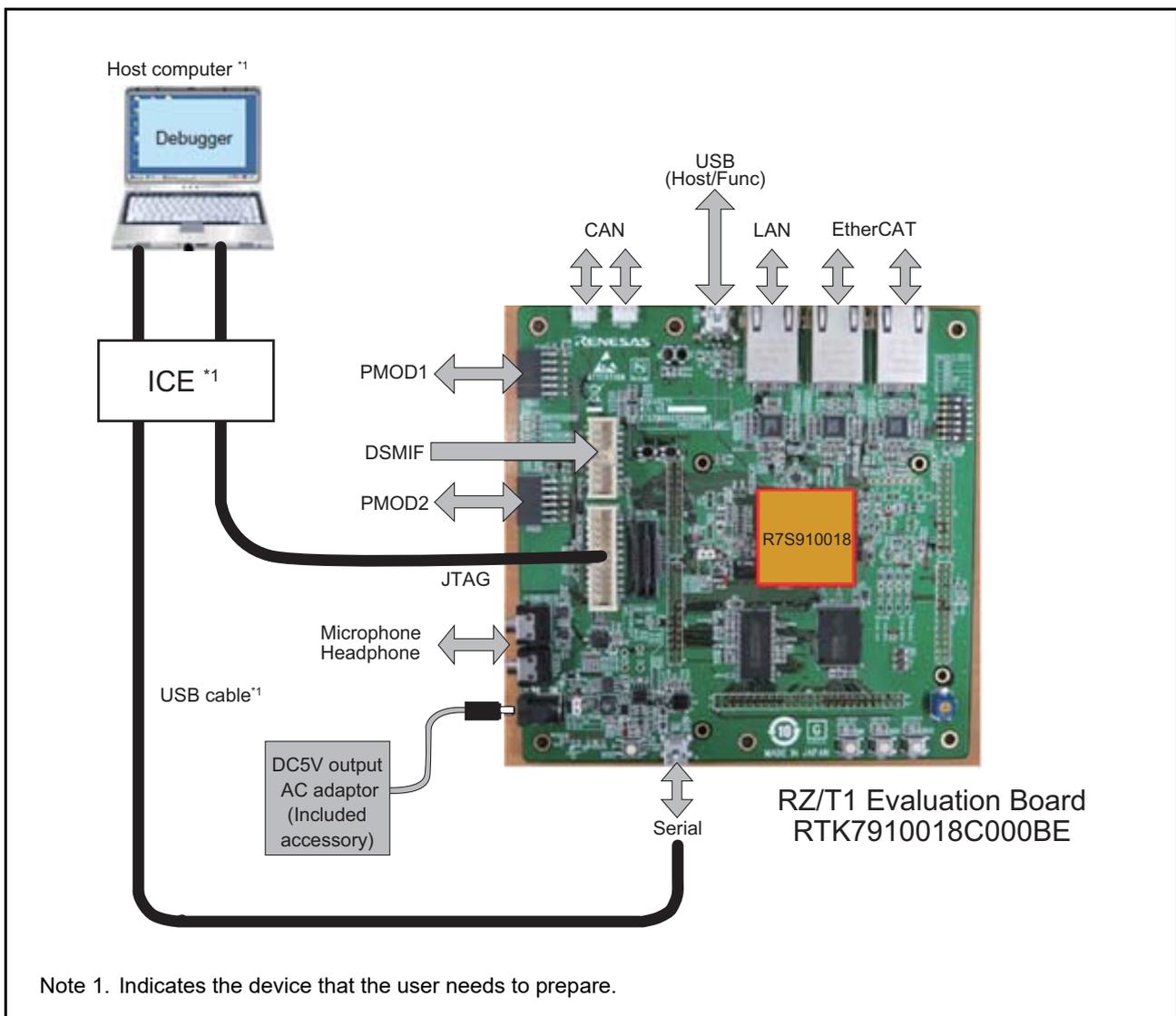


Figure 1.1 Operating Environment

2. Operating Environment

The sample code covered in this application note is for the environment below.

Table 2.1 Operating Environment

| Item | Description |
|---|--|
| Microcomputer | RZ/T1 Group |
| Operating frequency | CPU clock (CPUCLK): 450 MHz |
| Operating voltage | Power supply voltage (I/O): 3.3 V |
| Integrated development environment | Manufactured by IAR systems Embedded Workbench® for Arm Version 8.20.2 Manufactured by Arm DS-5™ 5.26.2 Manufactured by RENESAS e2studio 6.1.0 |
| Operating mode | SPI boot mode (serial flash memory) 16-bit bus boot mode (NOR flash memory) |
| Communication settings of the terminal software | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication speed: 115,200 bps • Data length: 8 bits • Parity: N/A • Stop bit length: 1 bit • Flow control: N/A • Line break code (reception): CR • Line break code (transmission): CR |
| Board used | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RZ/T1 Evaluation Board (RTK7910018C00000BE) |
| Devices used (functions to be used on the board) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serial interface (USB-Mini B connector J8) • NOR flash memory (connected to CS0/CS1 space) Manufacturer: Macronix International Co., Ltd. Model: MX29GL512FLT2I-10Q • Serial flash memory Manufacturer: Macronix International Co., Ltd. Model: MX25L51245G • SDRAM (connected to CS2/CS3 space) Manufacturer: ISSI Model: S42S16320D |
| USB serial port driver for PC | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For RTK7910018C00000BE • For RTK7910022C00000BR |

3. Related Application Note

The application notes related to this application note are listed below for reference.

- Application Note: RZ/T1 Group Initial Settings (R01AN2554EJ)
- Application Note: RZ/T1 Group FIFO Integrated Serial Communication Interface (SCIFA) (R01AN2577EJ)
- Application Note: RZ/T1 Group CMTW & ELC Sample Program (R01AN2600EJ)

Note: Registers not mentioned in this application note should be used at a value set in the Application Note: RZ/T1 Group Initial Settings.

4. Peripheral Functions

For the basics of the operating mode, clock pulse generator (CPG), FIFO integrated serial communication interface (SCIFA), compare match timer W (CMTW), resetting, and general-purpose I/O ports, refer to the RZ/T1 Group User's Manual: Hardware.

For the basics of the performance monitor and cache operation, refer to the Cortex-R4 Technical Reference Manual of Arm.

5. Hardware

5.1 Pins

Table 5.1 lists pins to be used and their functions.

Table 5.1 Pins and Functions

| Pin Name | I/O | Function |
|----------|-------|--|
| MD0 | Input | Selection of operating modes |
| MD1 | Input | MD0 = L, MD1 = L, MD2 = L (SPI boot mode) |
| MD2 | Input | MD0 = L, MD1 = H, MD2 = L (16-bit bus boot mode) |

6. Software

This sample program includes the driver for using the performance monitor and cache operation, and the utility function that converts the cycle count to the actual time.

6.1 Function Outline

This software includes a function that uses the performance monitor to count the number of cycles, the number of times control is returned from the procedure, and the number of executions of a data read instruction. Simultaneously with execution of the function, this software also uses CMTW to count the number of cycles. This software converts the number of cycles obtained using the performance monitor and the number of cycles obtained using CMTW to their actual processing times, and then outputs the times by using the serial output function (described later).

In addition, this software reads from data from the SDRAM, and then uses the serial output function (described later) to output the status of memory after execution of each cache operation.

As the execution result of each function, this software uses the asynchronous communications of the FIFO integrated serial communication interface (SCIFA) to perform COM port communications with the host PC via an RS-232 interface, and then outputs each sample program execution result by using the terminal software on the host PC.

6.2 Interrupts

This sample program uses no interrupts.

6.3 Fixed-Width Integers

Table 6.1 lists the fixed-width integers for the sample program. The fixed-width integers used in the sample code are defined in the standard library.

Table 6.1 Fixed-Width Integers for Sample Program

| Symbol | Description |
|----------|-------------------------|
| int8_t | 8-bit signed integer |
| int16_t | 16-bit signed integer |
| int32_t | 32-bit signed integer |
| int64_t | 64-bit signed integer |
| uint8_t | 8-bit unsigned integer |
| uint16_t | 16-bit unsigned integer |
| uint32_t | 32-bit unsigned integer |
| uint64_t | 64-bit unsigned integer |

6.4 Structures/Unions

This sample program uses no structures/unions.

6.5 Constants

Table 6.2 and Table 6.3 list the constants to be used in the sample programs.

Table 6.2 Constants to be Used in the Performance Monitor Sample Program

| Constant Name | Setting Value | Description |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---|
| PMON_EVTCNT0 to PMON_EVTCNT2 | (0u) to (1U) | Selecting the performance monitor number to be set |
| PMON_EVT_SOFTINC | (0x00) | Count event option: Software increment |
| PMON_EVT_ICMISS | (0x01) | Count event option: Instruction cache miss |
| PMON_EVT_DCMISS | (0x03) | Count event option: Data cache miss |
| PMON_EVT_DCACC | (0x04) | Count event option: Data cache access |
| PMON_EVT_DRDEX | (0x06) | Count event option: Data read executed |
| PMON_EVT_DWDEX | (0x07) | Count event option: Data write executed |
| PMON_EVT_INSTEX | (0x08) | Count event option: Instruction architecturally executed |
| PMON_EVT_DUALEX | (0x5E) | Count event option: Dual-issued pair of instructions architecturally executed |
| PMON_EVT_EXCENT | (0x09) | Count event option: Exception taken |
| PMON_EVT_EXCRET | (0x0A) | Count event option: Exception return architecturally executed |
| PMON_EVT_CHCON | (0x0B) | Count event option: Change to context ID executed |
| PMON_EVT_CHPC | (0x0C) | Count event option: Software change of PC architecturally executed, other than exception returns |
| PMON_EVT_BIMM | (0x0D) | Count event option: B immediate, BL immediate, or BLX immediate instruction architecturally executed. An event occurs even when processing does not actually branch. |
| PMON_EVT_PROCRET | (0x0E) | Count event option: Procedure return architecturally executed, other than exception returns |
| PMON_EVT_UNALIGN | (0x0F) | Count event option: Unaligned access architecturally executed |
| PMON_EVT_BMISSPRE | (0x10) | Count event option: Branch mispredicted or not predicted |
| PMON_EVT_CYCLECNT | (0x11) | Count event option: Cycle count |
| CPUCKSEL_150M | (0x00u) | CPU frequency setting: 150 MHz |
| CPUCKSEL_300M | (0x01u) | CPU frequency setting: 300 MHz |
| CPUCKSEL_450M | (0x02u) | CPU frequency setting: 450 MHz |
| CPUCKSEL_600M | (0x03u) | CPU frequency setting: 600 MHz |
| TEST_TIME | (3u) | Execution number of read data evaluations in the performance monitor sample program |
| TST_MEM_ADDR | (0x68000000) | Data read destination address (SDRAM) in the sample programs for the performance monitor and cache operation |
| TST_MEM_CNT | (1000000) | Execution number of read data instructions in the performance monitor sample program |

Table 6.3 Constants To be Used in the Cache Operation Sample Program

| Constant Name | Setting Value | Description |
|-----------------|---------------|--|
| CACHE_MAX_WAY | (0x3u) | Maximum number of ways of the cache |
| CACHE_WAY_SHIFT | (30u) | Bit shift setting: [31:30]; used to specify the number of ways |
| CACHE_MAX_SET | (0x3Fu) | Maximum number of sets of the cache |
| CACHE_SET_SHIFT | (5u) | Bit shift setting: [10:5]; used to specify the number of sets |
| CACHE_LINE_MASK | (0xFFFFFE0u) | Cache operation target address to be masked |
| CACHE_LINE_SIZE | (0x0000020u) | Cache line size |
| TST_MEM_SIZE | (0x0000060u) | Size of operation-target memory in the cache operation sample program (3 cache lines) |
| DUMP_ALIGN_MASK | (0xFFFFF0u) | Aligned address to be masked |
| DUMP_INCR_SIZE | (0x0000010u) | Number of output bytes in a dump when a memory dump is taken in the cache operation sample program |

6.6 Variables

This sample program uses no static variables.

6.7 Functions

Table 6.4 lists the functions common to the sample programs. Table 6.5 lists the functions used in the performance monitor sample program. Table 6.6 lists the functions used in the cache operation sample program.

Table 6.4 List of Common Functions

| Function | Description |
|----------|-------------------------------------|
| main | Main function of the sample program |

Table 6.5 List of Functions Used in the Performance Monitor Sample Program

| Function Name | Description |
|-------------------------|---|
| R_PMON_Open | Initial setting function for the performance monitor |
| R_PMON_Close | End setting function for the performance monitor |
| R_PMON_Start | Event count start function |
| R_PMON_Stop | Event count stop function |
| R_PMON_StopAll | Function that stops all counters |
| R_PMON_SelectCount | Counter selection function |
| R_PMON_GetCurCount | Count obtain function |
| sample_pmon | Main function of the performance monitor sample program |
| exec_tst_mem_dword_read | Evaluation function of the read instruction execution |
| cyclecnt_to_nanosec | Function that converts the cycle count to the actual time |

Table 6.6 List of Functions Used in the Cache Operation Sample Program

| Function | Description |
|--------------------------|---|
| R_CACHE_Inval_I_All | Function performing the Invalidate operation for all instruction caches |
| R_CACHE_Inval_I | Function performing the Invalidate operation for an instruction cache on a cache line basis |
| R_CACHE_Clean_D_All | Function performing the Clean operation for all data caches |
| R_CACHE_Inval_D_All | Function performing the Invalidate operation for all data caches |
| R_CACHE_CleanInval_D_All | Function performing the Clean & Invalidate operation for all data caches |
| R_CACHE_Clean_D | Function performing the Clean operation for a data cache on a cache line basis |
| R_CACHE_Inval_D | Function performing the Invalidate operation for a data cache on a cache line basis |
| R_CACHE_CleanInval_D | Function performing the Clean & Invalidate operation for a data cache on a cache line basis |
| sample_cache | Main function of the cache operation sample program |
| write_incr_data | Function for writing evaluation data |
| dump_memory | Memory dump function |

6.8 Specifications of Functions

The following shows the function specifications of the sample code.

6.8.1 Common Functions

Function name: main

| | |
|--------------|--|
| Synopsis | Main function of the sample program |
| Declaration | int main (void) |
| Description | This function is the main processing of the sample program. This function initializes the board, and then calls sample_pmon() and sample_cache() to execute the sample program. |
| Arguments | None |
| Return value | 0 |
| Supplement | None |

6.8.2 Functions Used in the Performance Monitor Sample Program

Function name: R_PMON_Open

| | |
|--------------|---|
| Synopsis | Initial setting function for the performance monitor |
| Declaration | void R_PMON_Open(void); |
| Description | This function performs the settings required to start the counters of the performance monitor. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permitting access to the performance monitor in user mode • Resetting the counters • Enabling the counters |
| Arguments | None |
| Return value | None |
| Supplement | None |

Function name: R_PMON_Close

| | |
|--------------|--|
| Synopsis | End setting function for the performance monitor |
| Declaration | void R_PMON_Close(void); |
| Description | This function performs the settings required to stop the counters of the performance monitor. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibiting access to the performance monitor in user mode • Disabling the counters |
| Arguments | None |
| Return value | None |
| Supplement | None |

Function name: R_PMON_Start

Synopsis Event count start function

Declaration void R_PMON_Start (int32_t evtch, int32_t event, uint32_t ini_cnt);

Description This function starts an event counter.

Arguments

| | |
|------------------|--|
| int32_t evtch | Counter number selected for control target Select one from PMON_EVTCNT0 to PMON_EVTCNT2. |
| int32_t event | Count-target event Select one of the constants that are indicated as "Count event option" in Table 6.2. |
| uint32_t ini_cnt | Initial counter value |

Return value None

Supplement The behavior is undefined if an invalid value is specified for the argument "evtch" or "event".

Function name: R_PMON_Stop

Synopsis Event count stop function

Declaration void R_PMON_Stop(int32_t evtch);

Description This function stops an event counter.

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|---|
| int32_t evtch | Counter number selected for control target Select one from PMON_EVTCNT0 to PMON_EVTCNT2. |
|---------------|---|

Return value None

Supplement The behavior is undefined if an invalid value is specified for the argument "evtch".

Function name: R_PMON_StopAll

Synopsis Function that stops all counters

Declaration void R_PMON_StopAll(void);

Description This function stops counting events with all counters.

Arguments None

Return value None

Supplement None

Function name: R_PMON_SelectCount

Synopsis Counter selection function

Declaration void R_PMON_SelectCount(int32_t evtch);

Description This function specifies the current counter number. This function is used to specify the counter to be controlled.

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|---|
| int32_t evtch | Counter number selected for control target Select one from PMON_EVTCNT0 to PMON_EVTCNT2. |
|---------------|---|

Return value None

Supplement The behavior is undefined if an invalid value is specified for the argument "evtch".

6.8.3 Functions Used in the Cache Operation Sample Program

Function name: R_CACHE_Inval_I_All

Synopsis Function performing the Invalidate operation for all instruction caches

Declaration void R_CACHE_Inval_I_All (void);

Description This function performs the Invalidate operation for all instruction caches.

Arguments None

Return value None

Supplement None

Function name: R_CACHE_Inval_I

Synopsis Function performing the Invalidate operation for an instruction cache on a cache line basis

Declaration void R_CACHE_Inval_I (uint32_t sta_addr, uint32_t size);

Description This function performs the Invalidate operation for an instruction cache on a cache line basis.

Arguments uint32_t sta_addr Cache address where the Invalidate operation starts
 uint32_t size Cache size of the Invalidate operation

Return value None

Supplement If the address specified for the argument "sta_addr" is not the start address of a cache line boundary, the Invalidate operation starts with the cache line that includes the specified address. If the value specified for the argument "size" is not a multiple of the cache line size, the Invalidate operation is performed for the range up to the nearest multiple of the cache line size.

Function name: R_CACHE_Clean_D_All

Synopsis Function performing the Clean operation for all data caches

Declaration void R_CACHE_Clean_D_All (void);

Description This function performs the Clean operation for all data caches.

Arguments None

Return value None

Supplement None

Function name: R_CACHE_Inval_D_All

Synopsis Function performing the Invalidate operation for all data caches

Declaration void R_CACHE_Inval_D_All (void);

Description This function performs the Invalidate operation for all data caches.

Arguments None

Return value None

Supplement None

Function name: R_CACHE_CleanInval_D_All

Synopsis Function performing the Clean & Invalidate operation for all data caches

Declaration void R_CACHE_CleanInval_D_All (void);

Description This function performs the Clean & Invalidate operation for all data caches.

Arguments None

Return value None

Supplement None

Function name: R_CACHE_Clean_D

Synopsis Function performing the Clean operation for a data cache on a cache line basis

Declaration void R_CACHE_Clean_D (uint32_t sta_addr, uint32_t size);

Description This function performs the Clean operation for a data cache on a cache line basis.

Arguments uint32_t sta_addr Cache address where the Clean operation starts
uint32_t size Cache size of the Clean operation

Return value None

Supplement If the address specified for the argument "sta_addr" is not the start address of a cache line boundary, the Clean operation starts with the cache line that includes the specified address. If the value specified for the argument "size" is not a multiple of the cache line size, the Clean operation is performed for the range up to the nearest multiple of the cache line size.

Function name: R_CACHE_Inval_D

Synopsis Function performing the Invalidate operation for a data cache on a cache line basis

Declaration void R_CACHE_Inval_D (uint32_t sta_addr, uint32_t size);

Description This function performs the Invalidate operation for a data cache on a cache line basis.

Arguments uint32_t sta_addr Cache address where the Invalidate operation starts
uint32_t size Cache size of the Invalidate operation

Return value None

Supplement If the address specified for the argument "sta_addr" is not the start address of a cache line boundary, the Invalidate operation starts with the cache line that includes the specified address. If the value specified for the argument "size" is not a multiple of the cache line size, the Invalidate operation is performed for the range up to nearest multiple of the cache line size.

Function name: R_CACHE_CleanInval_D

Synopsis Function performing the Clean & Invalidate operation for a data cache on a cache line basis

Declaration void R_CACHE_CleanInval_D_All (uint32_t sta_addr, uint32_t size);

Description This function performs the Clean & Invalidate operation for a data cache on a cache line basis.

Arguments uint32_t sta_addr Cache address where the Clean & Invalidate operation starts
uint32_t size Cache size of the Clean & Invalidate operation

Return value None

Supplement If the address specified for the argument "sta_addr" is not the start address of a cache line boundary, the Clean & Invalidate operation starts with the cache line that includes the specified address. If the value specified for the argument "size" is not a multiple of the cache line size, the Clean & Invalidate operation is performed for the range up to the nearest multiple of the cache line size.

Function name: sample_cache

| | | |
|--------------|--|--|
| Synopsis | Main function of the cache operation sample program | |
| Declaration | void sample_cache(void); | |
| Description | This is the main function of the cache operation sample program. This function executes required operations, and outputs the execution results to the serial terminal. For details, see section 6.8.3, Functions Used in the Cache Operation Sample Program. | |
| Arguments | None | |
| Return value | None | |
| Supplement | None | |

Function name: write_incr_data

| | | |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Synopsis | Function for writing evaluation data | |
| Declaration | void write_incr_data (uint32_t addr, uint32_t size); | |
| Description | This function writes increment data as a preparation for performing cache operations. | |
| Arguments | uint32_t addr | Data write destination address |
| | uint32_t size | Write data size |
| Return value | None | |
| Supplement | None | |

Function name: dump_memory

| | | |
|--------------|---|--------------------------|
| Synopsis | Memory dump function | |
| Declaration | void dump_memory (uint32_t addr, uint32_t size); | |
| Description | This function reads the contents of the specified memory, and then outputs them to the serial terminal. | |
| Arguments | uint32_t addr | Data dump source address |
| | uint32_t size | Dump data size |
| Return value | None | |
| Supplement | None | |

6.9 Flowcharts of the Sample Program Functions

6.9.1 Main Function

Figure 6.1 shows the flowchart of the main processing.

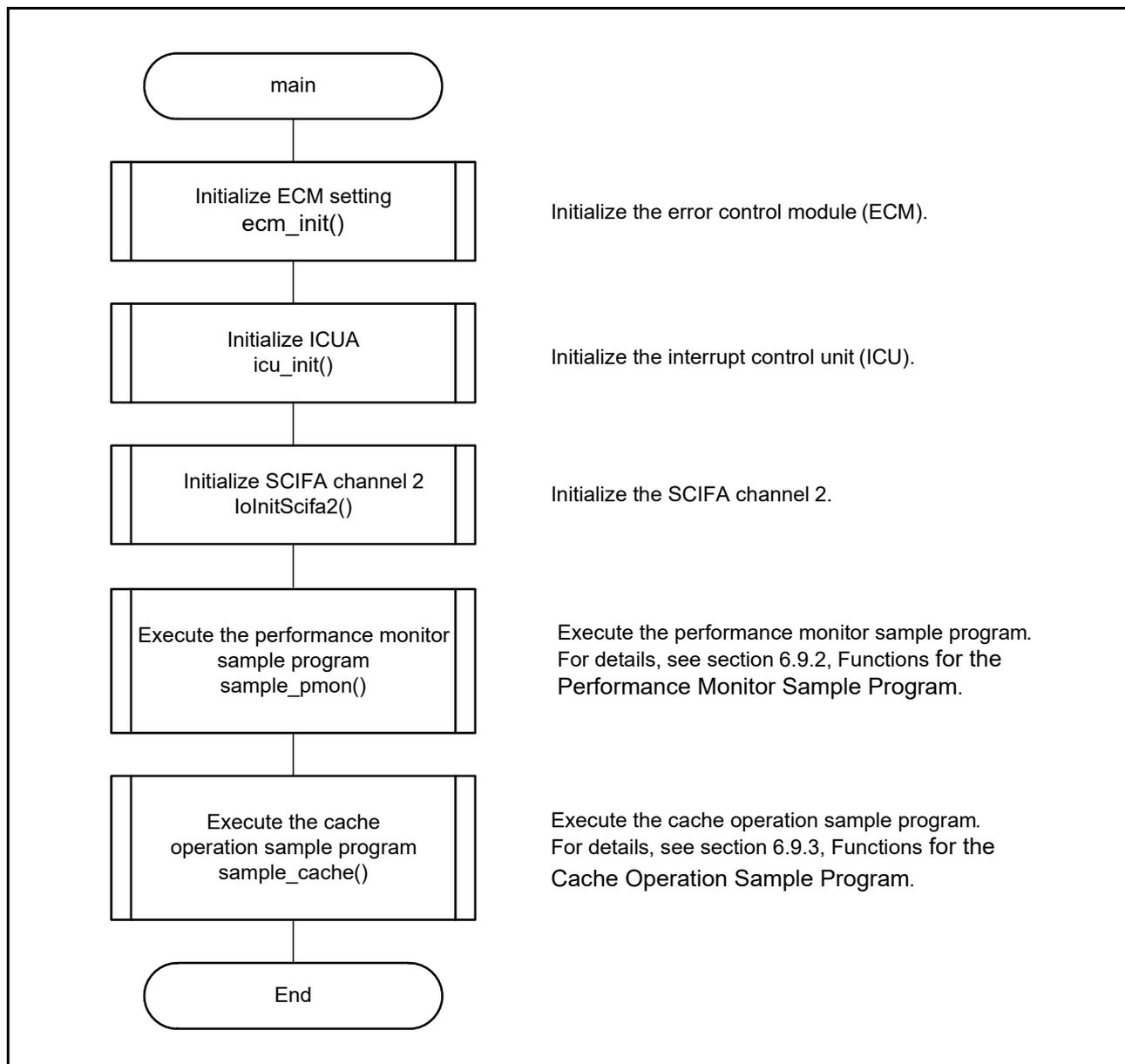


Figure 6.1 Flowchart of main

6.9.2 Functions for the Performance Monitor Sample Program

Figure 6.2 shows the flowchart of sample_pmon.

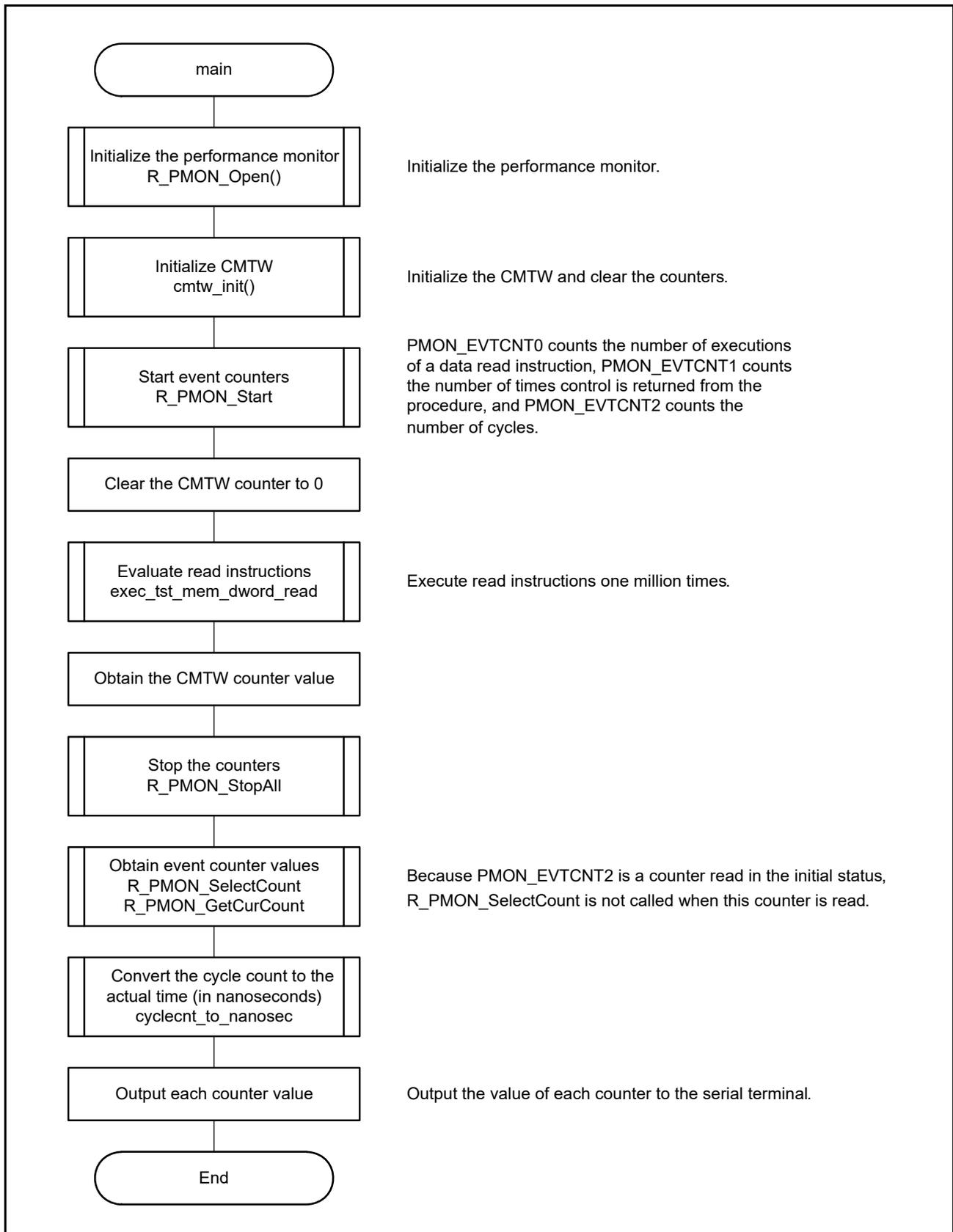


Figure 6.2 Flow of sample_pmon

6.9.3 Functions for the Cache Operation Sample Program

Figure 6.3 shows the flow of sample_cache.

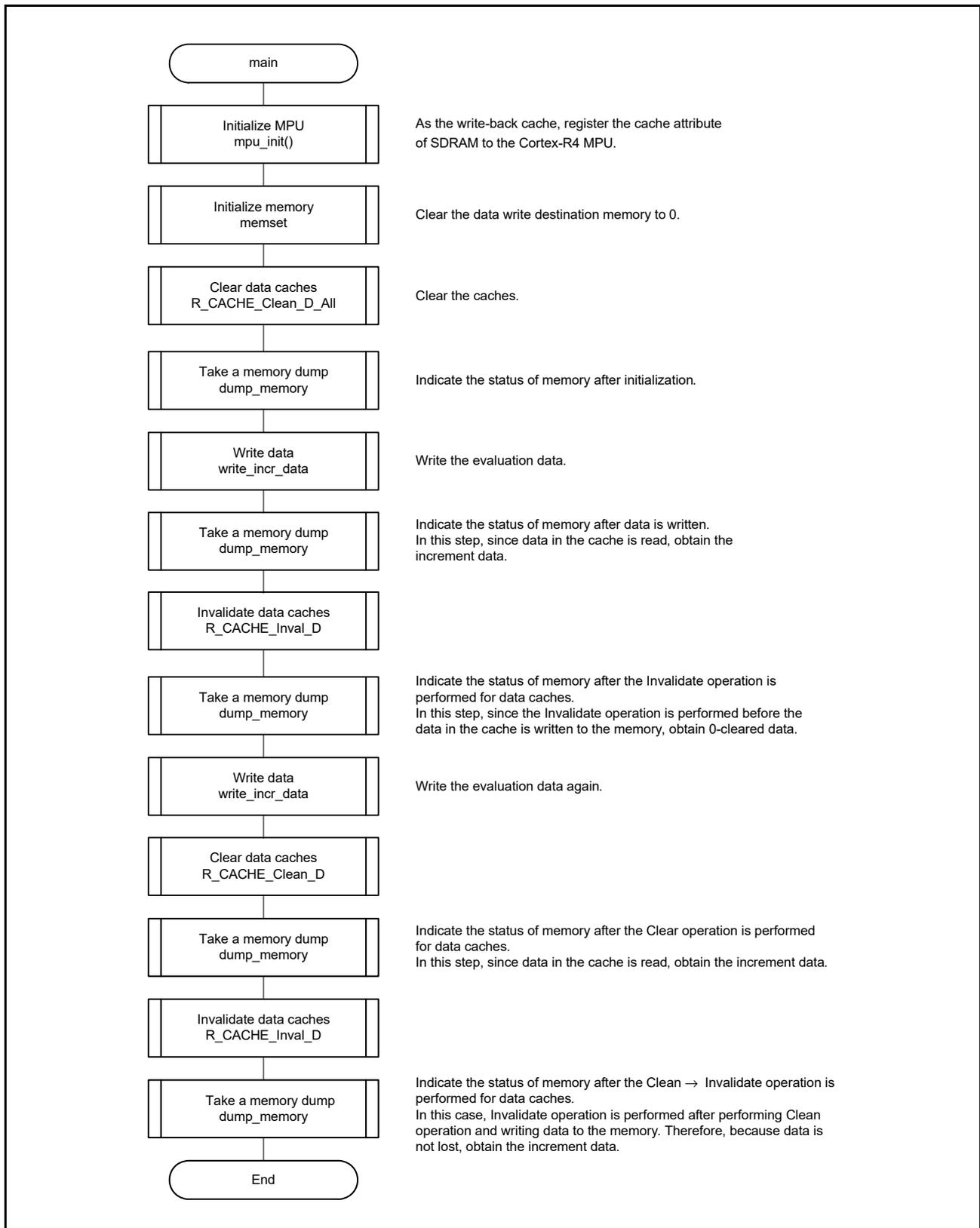


Figure 6.3 Flow of sample_cache

6.10 Operation of the Sample Program

This section describes the operation of the sample program that runs on the terminal software of the PC.

6.10.1 Project Settings

For the project settings of the development environment on the EWARM (Embedded Workbench® for Arm), DS-5, and e2studio, refer to the Application Note: RZ/T1 Group Initial Settings.

6.10.2 Preparations

This sample program uses communication with a PC. The following preparations are required for PC communication.

- (1) Start the terminal software on a host PC, and then set the serial port. The following figure shows an example when COM3 is used for Tera Term.

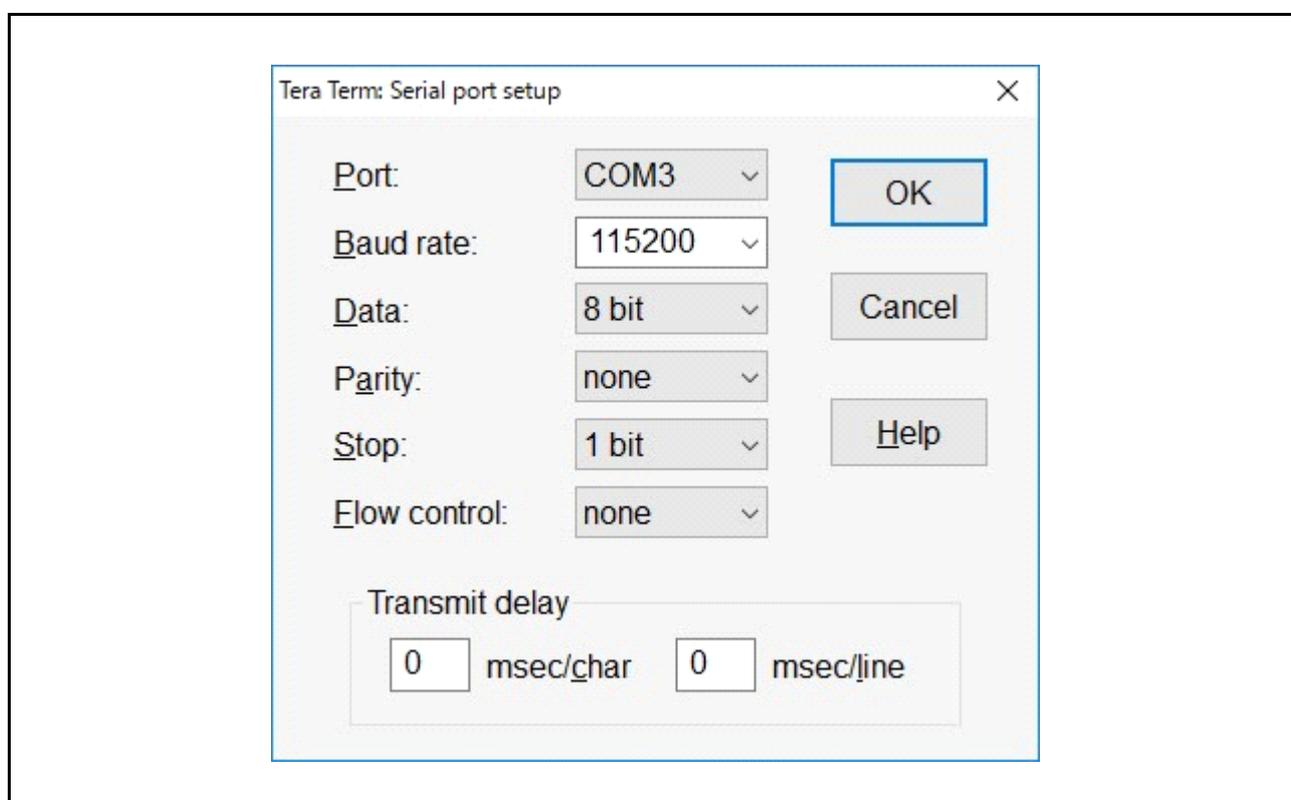
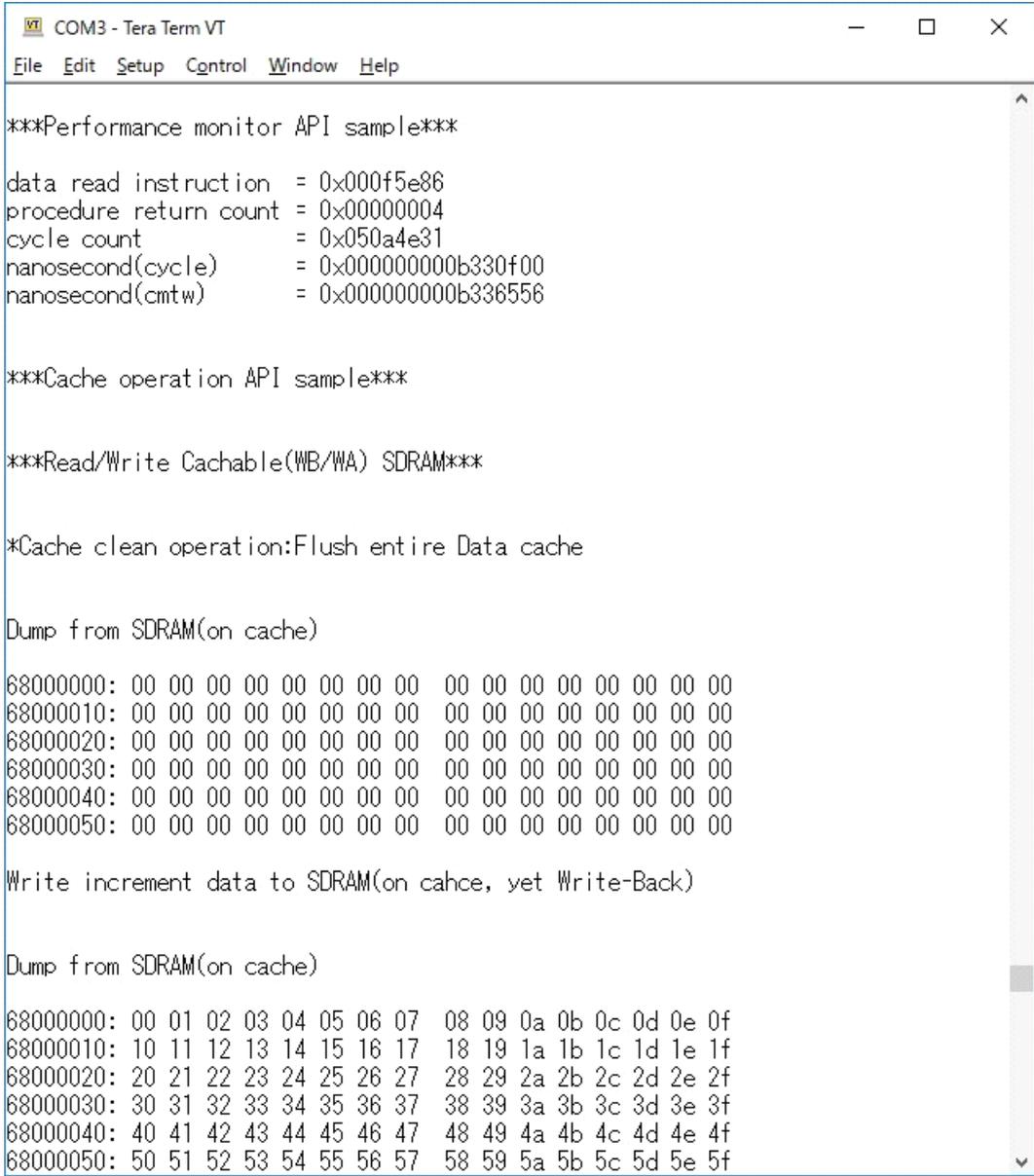


Figure 6.4 Settings of Serial Port

- (2) When communications are enabled after executing the sample program, the data received from the sample program is displayed on the terminal software as shown below.



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COM3 - Tera Term VT
File Edit Setup Control Window Help

***Performance monitor API sample***

data read instruction = 0x000f5e86
procedure return count = 0x00000004
cycle count = 0x050a4e31
nanosecond(cycle) = 0x000000000b330f00
nanosecond(cmtw) = 0x000000000b336556

***Cache operation API sample***

***Read/Write Cachable(WB/WA) SDRAM***

*Cache clean operation:Flush entire Data cache

Dump from SDRAM(on cache)

68000000: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
68000010: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
68000020: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
68000030: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
68000040: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
68000050: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

Write increment data to SDRAM(on cahce, yet Write-Back)

Dump from SDRAM(on cache)

68000000: 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0a 0b 0c 0d 0e 0f
68000010: 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 1a 1b 1c 1d 1e 1f
68000020: 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 2a 2b 2c 2d 2e 2f
68000030: 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 3a 3b 3c 3d 3e 3f
68000040: 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 4a 4b 4c 4d 4e 4f
68000050: 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 5a 5b 5c 5d 5e 5f

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Figure 6.5 Display on Terminal Software after the Sample Program is Executed

7. Sample Program

The sample program is available on the Renesas Electronics website.

8. Related Documents and Development Environment

- User's manual: Hardware
RZ/T1 Group User's Manual: Hardware
(Download the latest version from the Renesas Electronics website.)
- RZ/T1 Evaluation Board RTK7910018C00000BE User's Manual
(Download the latest version from the Renesas Electronics website.)
- Technical Updates/Technical News
(Download the latest version from the Renesas Electronics website.)
- IAR integrated development environment
For IAR Embedded Workbench® for Arm, visit the IAR Systems website.
(Download the latest version from the IAR Systems website.)
- Arm integrated development environment
For an Arm Compiler toolchain, Arm DS-5, and other items, visit the Arm Corporation website.
(Download the latest version from the Arm Corporation website.)
- Renesas integrated development environment
For e2studio, visit the Renesas Electronics website.
(Download the latest version from the Renesas Electronics website.)
For a compiler and its toolchain (GNUARM-NONE), visit the GNU TOOLS & SUPPORT website
(<https://gcc-renesas.com/>).
(Download the latest version from the GNU TOOLS & SUPPORT website (<https://gcc-renesas.com/>)).

9. Website and Support

Renesas Electronics website

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Inquiries

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| Revision History | Application Note: Performance Monitor Sample Program |
|------------------|--|

| Rev. | Date | Description | |
|------|---------------|--|--|
| | | Page | Summary |
| 1.00 | Feb. 02, 2018 | — | First Edition issued |
| 1.10 | Jun. 07, 2018 | 2. Operating Environment | |
| | | 4 | Table 2.1 Operating Environment: The description on the integrated development environment, modified |
| | | 4. Peripheral Functions | |
| | | 6 | "ARM" changed to "Arm" |
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General Precautions in the Handling of Microprocessing Unit and Microcontroller Unit Products

The following usage notes are applicable to all Microprocessing unit and Microcontroller unit products from Renesas. For detailed usage notes on the products covered by this document, refer to the relevant sections of the document as well as any technical updates that have been issued for the products.

1. Handling of Unused Pins

Handle unused pins in accordance with the directions given under Handling of Unused Pins in the manual.

- The input pins of CMOS products are generally in the high-impedance state. In operation with an unused pin in the open-circuit state, extra electromagnetic noise is induced in the vicinity of LSI, an associated shoot-through current flows internally, and malfunctions occur due to the false recognition of the pin state as an input signal become possible. Unused pins should be handled as described under Handling of Unused Pins in the manual.

2. Processing at Power-on

The state of the product is undefined at the moment when power is supplied.

- The states of internal circuits in the LSI are indeterminate and the states of register settings and pins are undefined at the moment when power is supplied.
In a finished product where the reset signal is applied to the external reset pin, the states of pins are not guaranteed from the moment when power is supplied until the reset process is completed. In a similar way, the states of pins in a product that is reset by an on-chip power-on reset function are not guaranteed from the moment when power is supplied until the power reaches the level at which resetting has been specified.

3. Prohibition of Access to Reserved Addresses

Access to reserved addresses is prohibited.

- The reserved addresses are provided for the possible future expansion of functions. Do not access these addresses; the correct operation of LSI is not guaranteed if they are accessed.

4. Clock Signals

After applying a reset, only release the reset line after the operating clock signal has become stable. When switching the clock signal during program execution, wait until the target clock signal has stabilized.

- When the clock signal is generated with an external resonator (or from an external oscillator) during a reset, ensure that the reset line is only released after full stabilization of the clock signal. Moreover, when switching to a clock signal produced with an external resonator (or by an external oscillator) while program execution is in progress, wait until the target clock signal is stable.

5. Differences between Products

Before changing from one product to another, i.e. to a product with a different part number, confirm that the change will not lead to problems.

- The characteristics of Microprocessing unit or Microcontroller unit products in the same group but having a different part number may differ in terms of the internal memory capacity, layout pattern, and other factors, which can affect the ranges of electrical characteristics, such as characteristic values, operating margins, immunity to noise, and amount of radiated noise. When changing to a product with a different part number, implement a system-evaluation test for the given product.

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