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2. Limitation

- Do not use BRA,BSR,BT,BF,BT/S or BF/S instruction as the exception handling routine at the address

VBR+H'100, VBR+H'400, VBR+H'600.

- Additionally, when utilizing the user debug support function(*1) setting the UBDE bit of the BRCCR register to 1, do not put BRA,BSR,BT,BF,BT/S or BF/S instruction to the address indicated by DBR.

(*1) Please refer to Section 20.4 in SH-4 Hardware manual.

3. Phenomenon

When exception/interrupt occurs, and branch to the exception handling routine indicated by VBR+offset or DBR is made with,

(a) the instruction at the entry of the handler hitting the instruction-cache, and,

(b) the above (a) instruction being BRA,BSR,BT,BF,BT/S or BF/S,
the branch target address of (1b) instruction is incorrect.

Incorrect branch address is depend on a instruction code next to the entry of exception handling routine, and it can calculate following expression.

OP: Instruction code next to entry of exception handling routine.

IADR: Entry address of exception handling routine.

BA: Incorrect branch address.

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unsigned int low,mid,high,OP,IADR,BA;
low = OP & 0x000000FF;
mid = (OP & 0x00002000) ? (OP & 0x00000F00) :
      ((OP & 0x00000080) ? 0x00000F00 : 0x00000000);
high = (mid & 0x00000800) ? 0xFFFFF000 : 0x00000000;
BA = IADR + 6 + ((high | mid | low) <<1);
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