

RTE-V852/3-PC SUPPLEMENTARY MANUAL NO.1 (REV.1.0)**1. APPLICATION USING MASKABLE INTERRUPT**

This manual describes a method of developing an application using a maskable interrupt on the RTE-V852/3-PC and its restrictions.

1.1. INTERRUPT VECTOR

The interrupt vector area of 0000H to 07FFH of the V852/3 is a ROM area and cannot be rewritten. For the Multi monitor ROM, an alternative vector area is provided on SRAM. At a vector at any address between 0000H to 07FFH, a branch instruction to the alternative vector area is placed. When an interrupt of exception code 0080H occurs, for example, the CPU interrupt function causes a branch to 0080H. At this address, a branch instruction to the location of an offset 0080H in the alternative vector area is placed. A user program can branch to an interrupt handler upon an interrupt if the alternative vector area is rewritten like the original vector area. This program is different from usual V852/3 programs, which need not set (rewrite) the vector area that is generally fixed as a ROM area. The Multi program on the RTE-V852/3-PC must rewrite a vector before permitting an interrupt.

The alternative vector area extends from 1F-8000H to 1F-87FFH on SRAM. (The SRAM image is actually shown and can be referenced and modified from other addresses. An interrupt vector that is first referenced by the CPU branches to any address between 1F-8000H to 1F-87FFH.) When the interrupt of exception code 0080H described above occurs, the branch instruction to the target interrupt handler is written at 1F-8080H.

A CPU containing cache memory must flush the cache after rewriting a vector. The V852/3 having no cache memory does not have to do that.

A sample program for rewriting an alternative vector is given below. (The relative address from the interrupt handler to the alternative vector area is within 22 bits, in this example.)

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void SetAJump(int addr,      int jmpdest) /* ←Vector setting routine */
/* int addr;                address where we're storing the 'jr' */
/* int jmpdest;             address where the 'jr' jumps to */
{
    int offset;
    unsigned inst;
    unsigned int *p ;

    offset = jmpdest - addr;
    inst = 0x07800000 /* 'jr' opcode */ | (offset & 0x003ffff);
    *((UINT16 *) (addr      )) = (inst >> 16) & 0xffff ;
    *((UINT16 *) (addr + 2)) = (inst      ) & 0xffff ;
}
.....
void __interrupt IntEntry() /* ←Interrupt handler */
{
    .....
}
.....
main()
{
    .....
    SetAJump((int)(0x080 + 0x1f8000) ,(int)IntEntry) ;
    /*                               ↑Exception code of target interrupt */
}

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1.2. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS AND NOTES

This section gives restrictions and notes on debugging an application using a maskable interrupt.

- 1) If an interrupt occurs before its alternative vector is set or after an incorrect alternative vector is set, a break occurs at that location of interrupt of the program. This is because the initial value of the alternative vector is a branch instruction to the break handler on monitor ROM.
- 2) If a relative address from the alternative vector area to the interrupt handler exceeds 22 bits, the following is needed to make a correct branch to the interrupt handler: At least one or more register values must be destroyed; Alternatively, a branch relay point must be created.
- 3) The alternative vector area is protected as an area managed by the ROM monitor. This area cannot be rewritten by downloading a program. Another possible rewriting method is to define the vector area on the source program as an independent section and to allocate the section to the alternative vector area by specifying corresponding parameters at a link. This method, however, is not practical because the program cannot be normally downloaded.
- 4) All peripherals including interrupt relationships are initialized only when the reset switch on the board is pressed. When a program is reloaded and executed after the same program is started, the effect of the previous program execution remains on the peripherals. In order to avoid this problem, follow these steps when executing a program that uses peripherals from the beginning after executing the same program: (1) Disconnect rteserv. (2) Press the reset button of the RTE-V852/3-PC. (3) Re-connect rteserv.
- 5) The EI (interrupt permitted) state must be set after the DI (interrupt inhibited) state is set at the beginning of a program and after peripherals and vectors are set.

1.3. RESTRICTIONS AND NOTES ON USING A BREAKPOINT

A breakpoint can be set in an interrupt handler to break interrupt handling. The subsequent part of interrupt handling can be single-stepped. When using a breakpoint in this way, keep in mind the following restrictions and precautions:

- 1) During a break, no maskable interrupts are accepted.
- 2) The single step function sets a temporary breakpoint in the next instruction. While a user program in the EI (interrupt permitted) state is being single-stepped, an interrupt can be accepted. Even during single-stepping, take the precautions about breakpoint.
- 3) The interrupt handler cannot be left by single-stepping. (To be more specific, the last step "}" of the interrupt handler cannot be single-stepped). The iret instruction cannot be single-stepped, either.
- 4) The return function of the debugger cannot cause a return from an interrupt handler to the original routine.

- 5) It takes a little while for the RTE-V852/3-PC to make a break after the program execution reaches the corresponding breakpoint (see Supplementary Manual No.2). When a breakpoint set in a program in the EI (interrupt permitted) state is executed, an interrupt may be accepted before the corresponding break is made. If the corresponding interrupt handler also contains a breakpoint, a break occurs at this breakpoint. If the breakpoint is in the EI section of the program, an interrupt of higher priority level may be accepted.