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Token Ring NB/c Card: IBM Chipset Shared Memory Register (4/94)

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This article describes the IBM chipset shared memory register on the Apple Token Ring NB/c Card.

DISCUSSION -----

The definitions and addresses of the Shared Memory Control Registers on the IBM module are shown below. Each register is 16 bits, with the upper byte being addressed by an even address (for example 81E00) and the lower byte being addressed by an odd address (for example 81E01). Either byte or word accesses may be used. Refer to section 6.6 of the "Token-Ring Mini-Card Technical Reference" for explanations of these registers. Chapter 7 of the "IBM Local Area Network Technical Reference" has additional information, though the Mini-Card specification supersedes it in the event of a discrepancy. Also note that the bit ordering is different between these two manuals; The former labels the most significant bit as bit "15", while the latter calls the same bit "0".

Address	Function				
81E00	RRR - Shared RAM Relocation Register (set upper byte to "10")				
81E02	WRBR - Write Region Base Address Register				
81E04	WWOR - Write Window Open Register				
81E06	WWCR - Write Window Close Register				
81E08	UISR (ISRP) - User Interrupt Status Register (adapter-to-host)				
81E0A	LISR (ISRA) - Adapter Interrupt Status Register (host-to-adapter)				
81E0C	TCR - Timer Control Register				
81E0E	TVR - Timer Value Register				
81E10	UER - Reserved				
81E12	SRR - Soft Reset Register				
81E14	IVR - Interrupt Vector Register (not used)				
81E16	JR - Jumper Register				
81E18	SRPR - Shared RAM Page Register (set upper byte to "CO")				

The above registers are duplicated 3 times, for a total of 4 banks of registers. The registers present in each bank are identical, however the operation performed changes based on the bank addressed. The following shows the address ranges of each bank, and the resulting operation.

Range Operation

81E00-81E1F Read or Write

81E20-81E3F Read/Reset under mask (0) 81E40-81E5F Read/Set under mask (1)

81E60-81E7F Read only

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