CHAPTER 2

Instructions: Language of the Computer

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2.1 Introduction

- Instruction Set
  - To command a computer’s hardware, you must speak its language. The words of a computer’s language are called instructions, and its vocabulary is called instruction set.
  - Different computers have different instruction sets.

2.2 Operations of the Computer Hardware

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FIGURE 2.1 MIPS assembly language revealed in this chapter.
2.3 Operands of the Computer Hardware

- Unlike programs in high-level languages, the operands of arithmetic instructions are restricted; they must be from a limited number of special locations built directly in hardware called registers. Arithmetic instructions use register operands.
  - **Word**: The natural unit of access in a computer, usually a group of 32 bits; corresponds to the size of a register in the MIPS architecture. 32-bit data called a "word"
- One major difference between the variables of a programming language and registers is the limited number of registers, typically 32 on current computers, like MIPS.
- MIPS has a 32 × 32-bit register file
  - The size of a register in the MIPS architecture is 32 bits.
  - Numbered 0 to 31: $0, $1, … $31
  - Assembler names
    - $t0, $t1, …, $t9 for temporary values
    - $s0, $s1, …, $s7 for saved variables
- **Example: Compiling a C Assignment using Registers**
  - C code:
    
    \[ f = (g + h) - (i + j); \]
    
    The variables f, g, h, i, and j are assigned to the register in $s0, $s1, $s2, $s3, and $s4, respectively. What is the compiled MIPS code?
    
    - Compiled MIPS code:
      
      ```
      add $t0, $s1, $s2  #$t0 contains g + h
      add $t1, $s3, $s4  #$t1 contains i + j
      sub $s0, $t0, $t1  # f get $t0 - $t1, which is (g + h) – (i + j)
      ```

Memory Operands

- **Data transfer instruction**: A command that moves data between memory and registers
- **Address**: A value used to delineate the location of a specific data element within a memory array.
- To access a word in memory, the instruction must supply the memory address.
- Memory is just a large, single-dimensional array, with the address acting as the index to that array, starting at 0.
- Memory is byte addressed: **each address** identifies an 8-bit byte.
- The data transfer instruction that copies data from memory to a register is traditionally called load. The actual MIPS name for this instruction is **lw**, standing for load word.
• The instruction complementary to load is traditionally called **store**; it copies data from a register to memory. The actual MIPS name is **sw**, standing for store word.

• **Alignment restriction**: A requirement that data be aligned in memory on natural boundaries.

• In MIPS, words must start at address that are multiples of 4. This requirement is called an **alignment restriction**.

![Memory addresses and contents of memory at those locations. If these elements were words, these addresses would be incorrect, since MIPS actually uses byte addressing, with each word representing four bytes. Figure 2.3 shows the memory addressing for sequential word addresses.](image)

**Example: Compiling and Assignment When an Operand is in Memory**

- Let’s assume that A is an array of 100 words and that the compiler has associated the variable g and h with the registers $s1 and $s2 as before. Let’s also assume that the starting address, or base address of the array is in $s3. Compile this C assignment statement:

  
g = h + A[8];

  
- Compiled MIPS code:
  - g in $s1, h in $s2, base address of A in $s3
  - Index 8 requires offset of 32 (4 bytes per word)

    
    lw $t0, 32($s3)  # $t0 get A[8] (base register $s3 + 4 X 8)
    add $s1, $s2, $t0  # g = h + A[8]

**Example: Compiling Using Load and Store**

- Assume variable h is associated with register $s2 and the base address of the array A is in $s3. What is the MIPS assembly code for the C assignment statement below?

  
  

  
- Compiled MIPS code:
  - h in $s2, base address of A in $s3
  - Index 8 requires offset of 32
lw $t0, 32($s3)  # $t0 gets A[8]
add $t0, $s2, $t0  # $t0 gets h + A[8]
sw $t0, 48($s3)  # $ Store h + A[8] back into A[12]

- Registers vs. Memory
  - Registers are faster to access than memory
  - Operating on memory data requires loads and stores
  - Compiler must use registers for variables as much as possible

**Constant or Immediate Operands**

- This quick add instruction with one constant operand is called add immediate or addi. To add 4 to register $s3, we just write:

  addi $s3, $s3, 4  # $s3 = $s3 + 4

- MIPS register 0 ($zero) is the constant 0. It cannot be overwritten

  add $t2, $s1, $zero  # $t2 gets $s1
2.4 Signed and Unsigned Numbers

- **Unsigned Binary Integers**
  - Given an n-bit number
    \[ x = x_{n-1}2^{n-1} + x_{n-2}2^{n-2} + \cdots + x_12^1 + x_02^0 \]
  - Range: 0 to +2^{n – 1}
  - Example
    
    0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1011₂
    
    = 0 + \ldots + 1\times2^3 + 0\times2^2 + 1\times2^1 + 1\times2^0
    
    = 0 + \ldots + 8 + 0 + 2 + 1
    
    = 11₁₀
  - Using 32 bits: 0 to +4,294,967,295 (0 to +2^{32} – 1)

- **Two’s Complement Signed Integers**
  - Given an n-bit number
  - Range: –2^{n – 1} to +2^{n – 1} – 1
  - Example
    
    1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1100₂
    
    = –1\times2^{31} + 1\times2^{30} + \ldots + 1\times2^2 + 0\times2^1 + 0\times2^0
    
    = –2,147,483,648 + 2,147,483,644
    
    = 4₁₀
  - Using 32 bits: –2,147,483,648 to +2,147,483,647 (–2^{31} to +2^{31} – 1)

- Two’s complement has the advantage that all negative numbers have a 1 in the most significant bit. Consequently, hardware needs to test only this bit to see if a number is positive or negative (with the number 0 considered positive). This bit often called the **sign bit**.
  - 1 for negative numbers
  - 0 for non-negative numbers

- Non-negative numbers have the same unsigned and 2s-complement representation
  - 0: 0000 0000 ... 0000
  - -1: 1111 1111 ... 1111
  - Most-negative: 1000 0000 ... 0000
  - Most-positive: 0111 1111 ... 1111

- **Example: Signed Negation**
  - Negate +2
    - +2 = 0000 0000 ... 0010₂
    - Negating this number by inverting the bits (1’s complement) and adding one
    - –2 = 1111 1111 ... 1101₂ + 1
      
      = 1111 1111 ... 1110₂
• Sign Extension
  o Representing a number using more bits
    ▪ Preserve the numeric value
  o In MIPS instruction set
    ▪ addi: extend immediate value
    ▪ lb, lh: extend loaded byte/halfword
    ▪ beq, bne: extend the displacement
  o Replicate the sign bit to the left
    ▪ unsigned values: extend with 0s
  o Examples: 8-bit to 16-bit
    ▪ +2: 0000 0010 => 0000 0000 0000 0010
    ▪ -2: 1111 1110 => 1111 1111 1111 1110
2.5 Representing Instructions in the Computer

- Instructions are encoded in binary
  - Called machine code
- MIPS instructions
  - Encoded as 32-bit instruction words
  - Small number of formats encoding operation code (opcode), register numbers, ...
- Register numbers
  - $t0 – t7$ are reg’s 8 – 15
  - $t8 – t9$ are reg’s 24 – 25
  - $s0 – s7$ are reg’s 16 – 23
- The layout the instruction is called **instruction format**.
- All MIPS instructions are **32** bits long.
- Hexadecimal
  - Base 16
  - Compact representation of bit strings
  - 4 bits per hex digit
  - Figure 2.4 converts between hexadecimal and binary:

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<td>0010 Two</td>
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<td>7 Hex</td>
<td>0111 Two</td>
<td>b Hex</td>
<td>1011 Two</td>
<td>3 Hex</td>
<td>1111 Two</td>
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**FIGURE 2.4** The hexadecimal-binary conversion table. Just replace one hexadecimal digit by the corresponding four binary digits, and vice versa. If the length of the binary number is not a multiple of 4, go from right to left.

- Example: eca8 6420
  
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<th>c</th>
<th>a</th>
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<th>6</th>
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- Instruction fields
  - op: operation code (opcode)
  - rs: first source register number
  - rt: second source register number
  - rd: destination register number
  - shamt: shift amount (00000 for now)
  - funct: function code (extends opcode)

- Example: MIPS R-format

```plaintext
add $t0, $s1, $s2
```

**Ans:** 0000 0010 0011 0010 0100 0000 0010 00002 = 0232402016

• MIPS I-format Instructions

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<td>16 bits</td>
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- Immediate arithmetic and load/store instructions
  - rt: destination or source register number
  - Constant: $-2^{15}$ to $+2^{15} - 1$
  - Address: offset added to base address in rs

• Figure 2.5 shows the numbers used in each field for the MIPS instruction (R-format and I-format) covered so far.

**FIGURE 2.5** MIPS instruction encoding. In the table above, “reg” means a register number between 0 and 31, “address” means a 16-bit address, and “n.a.” (not applicable) means this field does not appear in this format. Note that add and sub instructions have the same value in the op field; the hardware uses the funct field to decide the variant of the operation: add (32) or subtract (34).
Example: I-format

- We can now take an example all the way from what the programmer writes to what the computer executes. If $t1$ has the base of the array $A$ and $s2$ corresponds to $h$, the assignment statement

\[ A[3000] = h + A[300]; \]

- Compiled MIPS code:

  \[
  \begin{align*}
  &\text{lw} \quad \$t0, 1200($t1) \quad \# \$t0 \text{ gets } A[300] \\
  &\text{add} \quad \$t0, \$s2, \$t0 \quad \# \$t0 \text{ get } h + h + A[300] \\
  &\text{sw} \quad \$t0, 1200($t1) \quad \# \text{ stores } h + A[300] \text{ back to } A[300]
  \end{align*}
  \]

- We can determine the three machine language instructions.

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- Figure 2.6 summarized the portion of MIPS machine language in this section.

![MIPS machine language](image)

**FIGURE 2.6** MIPS architecture revealed through Section 2.5. The two MIPS instruction formats so far are R and I. The first 16 bits are the same: both contain an *op* field, giving the base operation; an *rs* field, giving one of the sources; and the *rt* field, which specifies the other source operand, except for load word, where it specifies the destination register. R-format divides the last 16 bits into an *rd* field, specifying the destination register; the *shamt* field, which Section 2.6 explains; and the *funct* field, which specifies the specific operation of R-format instructions. I-format combines the last 16 bits into a single *address* field.
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- Logical Operations are instructions for **bitwise** manipulation. Useful for extracting and inserting groups of bits in a word
- Figure 2.8 show logical operations in C, Java, and MIPS

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**FIGURE 2.8** C and Java logical operators and their corresponding MIPS instructions. MIPS implements NOT using a NOR with one operand being zero.

- **Shift Operations**

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- shamt: how many positions to shift
- Shift left logical
- Shift left and fill with 0 bits
- sll by i bits multiples by \(2^i\)
- Shift right logical
- Shift right and fill with 0 bits
- srl by i bits divides by \(2^i\) (unsigned only)
- Example: shift left 4 bits

\[
sll \hspace{0.5cm} \$t2, \$s0, 4 \quad # \$t2 = \$s0 << 4 \text{ bits}
\]

- if register \$s0 contained:

\[
\$s0: \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 1011_{\text{two}} = 9_{\text{two}}
\]

- the instruction to shift left by 4 was executed, \$t2 would be:

\[
\$t2: \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000 \hspace{0.5cm} 1001 \hspace{0.5cm} 0000_{\text{two}} = 144_{\text{two}}
\]
• AND Operations
  o Useful to **mask** bits in a word.
    ▪ Select some bits, clear others to 0
  o Example: AND

    \[
    \text{and } \quad s0, s1, s2 \quad \# s0 = s1 \land s2
    \]
    ▪ $s1$ masks (selects) 4 bits in $s2$

    $s2$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1101 1100 0000
    $s1$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0011 1100 0000 0000
    $s0$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1100 0000 0000

• OR Operations
  o Useful to **include** bits in a word
    ▪ Set some bits to 1, leave others unchanged
  o Example: OR

    \[
    \text{or } \quad s0, s1, s2 \quad \# s0 = s1 \lor s2
    \]
    ▪ $s1$ includes (sets) 4 bits in $s2$

    $s2$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 1101 1100 0000
    $s1$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0011 1100 0000 0000
    $s0$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0011 1101 1100 0000

• NOT Operations
  o Useful to **invert** bits in a word
    ▪ Change 0 to 1, and 1 to 0
  o MIPS has NOR 3-operand instruction
    ▪ a NOR b == NOT (a OR b)
  o Example: NOT

    \[
    \text{nor } \quad s0, s1, \text{zero} \quad \# s0 = \neg (s1 \lor \text{zero})
    \]
    ▪ $s0 = \text{NOT } s1$

    $s1$ | 0000 0000 0000 0000 0011 1100 0000 0000
    $s0$ | 1111 1111 1111 1111 1100 0011 1111 1111
2.7 Instructions for Making Decisions

- MIPS assembly language includes two decision-making instructions, similar to an if statement with a goto: beq and bne
- Branch to a labeled instruction if a condition is true. Otherwise, continue sequentially
- beq: Branch equal
  \[
  \text{beq } rs, rt, L1 \quad \# \text{ if } (rs == rt) \text{ branch to instruction labeled L1}
  \]
- bne: Branch not equal
  \[
  \text{bne } rs, rt, L1 \quad \# \text{ if } (rs \neq rt) \text{ branch to instruction labeled L1}
  \]
- j: Jump
  \[
  j \quad L1 \quad \# \text{ Unconditional jump to instruction labeled L1}
  \]
- Example: Compiling if-then-else into Conditional Branches
  - C code:
    \[
    \text{if } (i==j) \quad f = g + h; \\
    \text{else} \quad f = g - h;
    \]
    \[
    f, g, h, i, \text{ and } j \text{ in } s0, s1, s2, s3, s4
    \]
  - Compiled MIPS code:
    \[
    \text{bne } s3, s4, Else \quad \# \text{ go to Else if } i = j \\
    \text{add } s0, s1, s2 \quad \# f = g + h (skipped if } i \neq j \\
    j \quad \text{Exit} \quad \# \text{ go to Exit}
    \]
    Else:
    \[
    \text{sub } s0, s1, s2 \quad \# f = g - h (skipped if } i = j \\
    \text{Exit:}
    \]

![Diagram](image)

FIGURE 2.9 Illustration of the options in the if statement above. The left box corresponds to the then part of the if statement, and the right box corresponds to the else part.
- **Example: Compiling a while Loop in C**
  
  o **C code:**

  ```c
  while (save[i] == k) i += 1;
  ```

  i in $s3, k in $s5, address of save in $s6

  o **Compiled MIPS code:**

  ```mips
  Loop:  sll $t1, $s3, 2  # $t1 = i * 4  
         add $t1, $t1, $s6  # $t1 = address of save[i]  
         lw $t0, 0($t1)  # $t0 = save[i]  
         bne $t0, $s5, Exit  # go to Exit if save[i] /= k  
         addi $s3, $s3, 1  # i = i + 1  
         j Loop  # go to Loop

  Exit:
  ```

- **MIPS** offer two versions of the set on less than comparison to handle signed and unsigned numbers.
  
  o Set on less than (slt) and set on less than immediate (slti) work signed integers.
  
  o Unsigned integers are compared using set on less than unsigned (sltu) and set on less than immediate unsigned (sltiu)

  ```mips
  slt  rd, rs, rt  # if (rs < rt)  rd = 1; else  rd = 0;  
  slti  rt, rs, constant # if (rs < constant)  rt = 1; else  rt = 0;
  ```

  o Use in combination with beq, bne

  ```mips
  slt  $t0, $s1, $s2  # if ($s1 < $s2)  
  bne  $t0, $zero, L  # branch to L
  ```

- **Example: Signed versus Unsigned Comparison**

  ```mips
  $s0 = 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111
  $s1 = 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0001
  ```

  ```mips
  slt  $t0, $s0, $s1  # signed  
       $s0 (-1)  <  $s1 (+1)  \implies  $t0 = 1
  ```

  ```mips
  sltu $t0, $s0, $s1  # unsigned  
       $s0 ( +4,294,967,295)  >  $s1 (+1)  \implies  $t0 = 0
  ```
2.8 Supporting Procedures in Computer Hardware

- A procedure or function is one tool programmer use to structure programs, both to make them easier to understand and to allow code be reused.
- MIPS software follow the following convention for procedure calling in allocating its 32 registers:
  - $a0 - $a3: four argument registers in which to pass parameters
  - $v0 - $v1: two value register in which to return values
  - $ra: one return address register to return to the point of origin
- Procedure Call Instructions: jal and jr
  - MIPS assembly language includes an instruction just for the procedures: it jumps to an address and simultaneously saves the address of the following instruction in register $ra. The jump-and-link instruction (jal) is simple written:

```
jal ProcedureLabel
```

- Address of following instruction put in $ra
- Jumps to target address

- MIPS use jump register instruction (jr) to allow the procedure to return to the proper address. An unconditional jump to the address specified in a register:

```
jr $ra
```

- Copies $ra to program counter

- The calling program or caller puts the parameter values in $a0 - $a3 and uses jal X to jump to procedure X (sometimes named the callee). The callee then performs the calculations, places the results in $v0 and $v1, and returns control the caller using jr $ra.
- **Programmer counter (PC):** The register containing the address of the instruction in the program being executed.
- The jal instruction actually saves PC + 4 in register $ra to link to the following instruction to set up the procedure return.

### Using More Registers

- The ideal data structure for spilling registers is a stack – a last-in-first-out queue.
- A stack need a pointer to the most recently allocated address in the stack to show where the next procedure should place the registers to be spilled or where old register values are found. The stack pointer is adjusted by one word for each register that is saved or restored.
- MIPS software reserves register 29 for the stack pointer, giving it the obvious name $sp.
• Placing data onto the stack is called a **push**, and removing data from the stack is called a **pop**.

• Example: Compiling a C Procedure That Doesn’t Call Another Procedure
  o C code:

```c
int leaf_example (int g, h, i, j) {
    int f;
    f = (g + h) - (i + j);
    return f;
}
```

  ▪ The parameter variables g, h, i, and j correspond to the argument registers $a0, $a1, $a2, $a3, and f correspond to $s0.
  ▪ Result in $v0

  o Compiled MIPS code:

```mips
leaf_example:
    addi $sp, $sp, -4
    # adjust stack to make room for save registers
    sw $s0, 0($sp)
    # save register $s0 on stack for use afterwards
    add $t0, $a0, $a1
    # register $t0 contains g + h
    add $t1, $a2, $a3
    # register $t1 contains i + j
    sub $s0, $t0, $t1
    # f = $t0 - $t1, which is (g + h) - (i + j)
    add $v0, $s0, $zero
    # returns f ($v0 = $s0 + 0)
    lw $s0, 0($sp)
    # restore register $s0 for caller
    addi $sp, $sp, 4
    # adjust stack to delete save registers
    jr $ra
    # jump back to calling routine
```

![FIGURE 2.10](image)

FIGURE 2.10  The values of the stack pointer and the stack (a) before, (b) during, and (c) after the procedure call. The stack pointer always points to the “top” of the stack, or the last word in the stack in this drawing.

• MIPS software separates 18 of the registers into two groups:
  o $t0 - $t9: temporary registers that are **not** preserved by the callee (called procedure) on a procedure
  o $s0 - $s7: saved registers that must be preserved on a procedure call (if used, the callee saved and restores them)
Nested Procedures

- Procedure that do not calls others are called leaf procedure. Nested Procedures call other procedures.
- For nested call, caller needs to save on the stack:
  - Its return address $ra$
  - Any arguments ($a0 - a3$) and temporaries ($t0 - t9$) needed after the call
  - Restore from the stack after the call
- Example: Compiling a Recursive C Procedure, Showing Nest Procedure Linking.
  - C code: recursive procedure that calculates factorial

```c
int fact (int n) {
    if (n < 1) return (1);
    else return n * fact (n - 1);
}
```

- Argument n in $a0
- Result in $v0

- Compiled MIPS code:

```mips
fact:    addi  $sp, $sp, -8        # adjust stack for 2 items
         sw    $ra, 4($sp)         # save the return address
         sw    $a0, 0($sp)         # save the argument n
        slti  $t0, $a0, 1         # test for n < 1
        beq   $t0, $zero, L1     # if n >= 1, go to L1
        addi  $v0, $zero, 1      # if (n<1), result is 1
        addi  $sp, $sp, 8        # pop 2 items from stack
        jr    $ra                # return to caller
L1:     addi  $a0, $a0, -1       # else n >= 1; argument gets (n-1)
        jal   fact              # call fact with (n-1)
        lw    $a0, 0($sp)        # return from jal: restore original n
        lw    $ra, 4($sp)        # restore the return address
        addi  $sp, $sp, 8        # adjust stack pointer to pop 2 items
        mul   $v0, $a0, $v0      # return n * fact (n-1)
        jr    $ra                # and return to the caller
```

- Figure 2.11 summarizes that is preserved across a procedure call.

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<tr>
<th>Preserved</th>
<th>Not preserved</th>
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<tr>
<td>Saved registers: $s0-$s7</td>
<td>Temporary registers: $t0-$t9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stack pointer register: $sp</td>
<td>Argument registers: $a0-$a3</td>
</tr>
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<td>Return address register: $ra</td>
<td>Return value registers: $v0-$v1</td>
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<td>Stack above the stack pointer</td>
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FIGURE 2.11 What is and what is not preserved across a procedure call. If the software relies on the frame pointer register or on the global pointer register, discussed in the following subsections, they are also preserved.
Allocating Space for New Data on the Stack

- The segment of the stack containing a procedure’s saved registers and local variables is called a procedure frame or activation record. Figure 2.12 shows the state of the stack before, during, and after the procedure call.
- MIPS software uses a frame pointer ($fp$) to point to the first word of the frame of a procedure.
- A stack pointer ($sp$) might change during the procedure, and so references to a local variable in memory might have different offset depending on where they are in the procedure.

![Diagram of stack allocation](image)

FIGURE 2.12 Illustration of the stack allocation (a) before, (b) during, and (c) after the procedure call. The frame pointer ($fp$) points to the first word of the frame, often a saved argument register, and the stack pointer ($sp$) points to the top of the stack. The stack is adjusted to make room for all the saved registers and any memory-resident local variables. Since the stack pointer may change during program execution, it’s easier for programmers to reference variables via the stable frame pointer, although it could be done just with the stack pointer and a little address arithmetic. If there are no local variables on the stack within a procedure, the compiler will save time by not setting and restoring the frame pointer. When a frame pointer is used, it is initialized using the address in $sp$ on a call, and $sp$ is restored using $fp$. This information is also found in Column 4 of the MIPS Reference Data Card at the front of this book.
Memory Allocation

- The stack starts in the high end of memory (7fff fffchex) and grow down.
- The first part of the low end of memory is reserved, followed by home of the MIPS machine code, called the text segment (0040 0000hex).
- Static data segment (1000 0000hhex), which is the place for constants and other static variables. The global pointer, $gp$, is set to an address to make it easy to access data. It is initialized to 1000 8000hhex so that it can access from 1000 0000hhex to 1000 ffffhhex using the positive and negative 16-bit offsets from $gp$.
- Dynamic data segment (1001 0000hhex): C allocates and free space on heap with explicit functions. malloc() allocates space on the heap and returns a pointer to it, and free() releases space on the heap to which the pointer points.

FIGURE 2.13 The MIPS memory allocation for program and data. These addresses are only a software convention, and not part of the MIPS architecture. The stack pointer is initialized to 7fff fffchex and grows down toward the data segment. At the other end, the program code (“text”) starts at 0040 0000hhex. The static data starts at 1000 0000hhex. Dynamic data, allocated by malloc in C and by new in Java, is next. It grows up toward the stack in an area called the heap. The global pointer, $gp$, is set to an address to make it easy to access data. It is initialized to 1000 8000hhex so that it can access from 1000 0000hhex to 1000 ffffhhex using the positive and negative 16-bit offsets from $gp$. This information is also found in Column 4 of the MIPS Reference Data Card at the front of this book.
MIPS Register Conventions

- Figure 2.14 summarize the register conventions for MIPS assembly language.
- Most procedure can be satisfied with up to 4 arguments, 2 registers for a return value, 8 saved registers, and 10 temporary register without ever going to memory.

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<th>Name</th>
<th>Register number</th>
<th>Usage</th>
<th>Preserved on call?</th>
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<td>0</td>
<td>The constant value 0</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
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<tr>
<td>$v0-$v1</td>
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<td>Values for results and expression evaluation</td>
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<td>$t8-$t9</td>
<td>24-25</td>
<td>More temporaries</td>
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<td>28</td>
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<td>29</td>
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<td>30</td>
<td>Frame pointer</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>$ra</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>Return address</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

FIGURE 2.14  MIPS register conventions. Register 1, called $at, is reserved for the assembler (see Section 2.12), and registers 26–27, called $k0–$k1, are reserved for the operating system. This information is also found in Column 2 of the MIPS Reference Data Card at the front of this book.
2.9 Communicating with People

- Most computers today offer 8-bit bytes to represent characters, with American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII).
- Figure 2.15 summarizes ASCII values

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<td>111</td>
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<td>127</td>
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FIGURE 2.15  ASCII representation of characters. Note that upper- and lowercase letters differ by exactly 32, this observation can lead to shortcuts in checking or changing upper- and lowercase. Values not shown include formatting characters. For example, 8 represents a backspace, 9 represents a tab character, and 13 a carriage return. Another useful value is 0 for null, the value the programming language C uses to mark the end of a string. This information is also found in Column 3 of the MIPS Reference Data Card at the front of this book.

- Java uses Unicode for characters. By default, it uses 16 bits to represent a character.

- MIPS byte / halfword operations

  lb rt, offset(rs)  # Sign extend to 32 bits in rt
  lh rt, offset(rs)
  lbu rt, offset(rs)  # Zero extend to 32 bits in rt
  lhu rt, offset(rs)
  sb rt, offset(rs)  # Store just rightmost byte / halfword
  sh rt, offset(rs)
Example: Compiling a String Copy Procedure, Showing How to Use C Strings

- The procedure `strcpy` copies string `y` to string `x` using the null byte termination convention of C:

```c
void strcpy (char x[], char y[]) {
    int i;
    i = 0;
    while ( (x[i] = y[i] ) != '\0')
        i += 1;
}
```

- Addresses of `x`, `y` in `$a0$, `$a1`
- `i` in `$s0$

- Compiled MIPS code:

  ```
  strcpy:  addi $sp, $sp, -4         # adjust stack for 1 item
           sw $s0, 0($sp)           # save $s0
           add $s0, $zero, $zero    # i = 0
  L1:     add $t1, $s0, $a1         # addr of y[i] in $t1
           lbu $t2, 0($t1)          # $t2 = y[i]
           add $t3, $s0, $a0        # address of x[i] in $t3
           sb $t2, 0($t3)           # x[i] = y[i]
           beq $t2, $zero, L2        # exit loop if y[i] == 0
           addi $s0, $s0, 1          # i = i + 1
           j L1                      # next iteration of loop
  L2:     lw $s0, 0($sp)            # restore saved $s0
           addi $sp, $sp, 4         # pop 1 item from stack
           jr $ra                    # and return
  ```
2.10 MIPS Addressing for 32-Bit Immediates and Addresses

32-Bit Immediate Operands

- Although constants are frequently short and fit into the 16-bit field, sometimes they are bigger.
- The MIPS instruction set includes the instruction load upper immediate (lui) specifically to set the upper 16 bits of constant in a register.
- Example: Loading a 32-Bit Constant
  - What the MIPS assembly code to load this 32-bit constant into register $s0?

```
0000 0000 0111 1101 0000 1001 0000 0000
```

- Compiled MIPS code:
  ```
lui $s0, 0x007D  # 0x007D = 0000 0000 0111 1101
   0000 0000 0111 1101 0000 0000 0000
ori $s0, $s0, 0x0900  # 0x0900 = 0000 1001 0000 0000
   0000 0000 0111 1101 0000 1001 0000 0000
```  

- Figure 2.17 shows the operation of lui

```
The machine language version of lui $t0, 255  # $t0 is register 8:
   001111 0000 01000 0000 0000 1111 1111

Contents of register $t0 after executing lui $t0, 255:
   0000 0000 1111 1111 0000 0000 0000
```

FIGURE 2.17 The effect of the lui instruction. The instruction lui transfers the 16-bit immediate constant field value into the leftmost 16 bits of the register, filling the lower 16 bits with 0s.
Addressing in Branches and Jumps

- **Jump Addressing**
  - Jump (j and jal) targets could be anywhere in text segment
    - Encode full address in instruction
  - (Pseudo) Direct jump addressing
    - **Target address = PC_{31...28} \times (address \times 4)**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>J</th>
<th>10000</th>
<th># go to location 10000</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2</td>
<td>10000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6 bits</td>
<td>26 bits</td>
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- **Branch Addressing**
  - Branch instructions specify
    - Opcode, two registers, target address
  - Most branch targets are near branch: Forward or backward
  - PC-relative addressing
    - **Target address = PC + offset \times 4**
    - PC already incremented by 4 by this time

```
bne $s0, $1, Exit # go to Exit if $s0 = $s1
```

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<td>16</td>
<td>17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Exit</td>
<td>16 bits</td>
<td>6 bits, 5 bits, 5 bits, 16 bits</td>
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- **Example Showing Branch Offset in Machine Language**
  - The while loop on was compiled into this MIPS assembler code.
    - Assume Loop at location 80000

```
Loop: sll $t1, $s3, 2
      add $t1, $t1, $s6
      lw $t0, 0($t1)
      bne $t0, $s5, Exit
      addi $s3, $s3, 1
      j Loop

Exit: ...
```

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      addi $s3, $s3, 1
      j Loop

Exit: ...
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      lw $t0, 0($t1)
      bne $t0, $s5, Exit
      addi $s3, $s3, 1
      j Loop

Exit: ...
```
Branching Far Away

- Most condition branches are to a nearby location, but occasionally they branch far away, farther than can be represented in the 16 bits of the condition branch instruction.
- The assembler comes to the rescue just as it did with large address or constants: it inserts an unconditional jump to the branch target, and inverts the condition so that the branch decides whether to skip the jump.
- Example: Branching Far Away
  - Giving a branch on register $s0 being equal to register $s1
    
    ```
    beq  $s0, $s1, L1
    ```
  
  - If branch target is too far to encode with 16-bit offset, assembler rewrites the code:
    
    ```
    bne  $s0, $s1, L2
    j     L1
    L2:   ...
    ```
MIPS Addressing Mode Summary

1. **Immediate** addressing: the operand is a constant within the instruction itself.
2. **Register** addressing: the operand is a register.
3. **Base or displacement** addressing: the operand is at memory location whose address is the sum of a register and a constant in the instruction.
4. **PC-relative** addressing: the branch address is the sum of the PC and a constant in the instruction.
5. **Pseudodirect** addressing: the jump address is the 26 bits of the instruction concatenated with the upper bits of the PC.

![Diagram of MIPS Addressing Modes](image)

**FIGURE 2.18** Illustration of the five MIPS addressing modes. The operands are shaded in color. The operand of mode 3 is in memory, whereas the operand for mode 2 is a register. Note that versions of load and store access bytes, halfwords, or words. For mode 1, the operand is 16 bits of the instruction itself. Modes 4 and 5 address instructions in memory, with mode 4 adding a 16-bit address shifted left 2 bits to the PC and mode 5 concatenating a 26-bit address shifted left 2 bits with the 4 upper bits of the PC. Note that a single operation can use more than one addressing mode. Add, for example, uses both immediate (addi) and register (add) addressing.
Decoding Machine Language

- Example: Decoding Machine Code
  - What is the assembly language statement corresponding to the machine instruction?

    00af8020hex

    Converting hexadecimal to binary:

    0 0 a f 8 0 2 0
    0000 0000 1010 1111 1000 0000 0010 0000

    It is R-formation instructions referring to Figure 2.19. Let’s reformat the binary instruction into R-format fields in Figure 2.20

    \[
    \begin{array}{ccccccc}
    \text{op} & \text{rs} & \text{rt} & \text{rd} & \text{shamt} & \text{funct} \\
    000000 & 00101 & 01111 & 10000 & 00000 & 100000
    \end{array}
    \]

    The decimal values are 5 for rs field, 15 for rt, and 16 for rd. Now we can reveal the assembly instruction.

    \[
    \text{add} \quad \$s0, \$a1, \$t7 \quad \# \$s0 \ (16_{10}), \$a1 \ (5_{10}), \text{and} \ \$t7 \ (15_{10})
    \]
FIGURE 2.19  MIPS instruction encoding. This notation gives the value of a field by row and by column. For example, the top portion of the figure shows load word in row number 4 (100 two for bits 31–29 of the instruction) and column number 3 (011 two for bits 28–26 of the instruction), so the corresponding value of the op field (bits 31–26) is 100011 two. Underscore means the field is used elsewhere. For example, R-format in row 0 and column 0 (op 5 000000 two) is defined in the bottom part of the figure. Hence, subtract in row 4 and column 2 of the bottom section means that the funct field (bits 5–0) of the instruction is 100010 two and the op field (bits 31–26) is 000000 two. The floating point value in row 2, column 1 is defined in Figure 3.18 in Chapter 3. Bltz/gez is the opcode for four instructions found in Appendix A: bltz, bgez, bltzal, and bgezal. This chapter describes instructions given in full name using color, while Chapter 3 describes instructions given in mnemonics using color. Appendix A covers all instructions.

FIGURE 2.20  MIPS instruction formats
2.11 Parallelism and Instructions: Synchronization

- Synchronization
  - Two processors sharing an area of memory
    - P1 writes, then P2 reads
    - **Data race** if P1 and P2 don’t synchronize
      - Result depends on order of accesses
  - Lock and unlock synchronization can not be used straightforwardly to create regions where only a single processor can operate, call a **mutual exclusion**.
  - Hardware support required
    - Atomic read/write memory operation
    - No other access to the location allowed between the read and write
  - Could be a single instruction
    - Ex, atomic swap of register ↔ memory
    - Or an atomic pair of instructions

- Synchronization in MIPS
  - Load linked: `ll rt, offset(rs)`
  - Store conditional: `sc rt, offset(rs)`
    - Succeeds if location not changed since the `ll`
      - Returns 1 in `rt`
    - Fails if location is changed
      - Returns 0 in `rt`
  - Example: atomic swap (to test/set lock variable)
    ```
    try:  add $t0, $zero, $s4   # copy exchange value
          ll $t1, 0($s1)  # load linked
          sc $t0, 0($s1)  # store conditional
          beq $t0, $zero, try  # branch store fails
          add $s4, $zero, $t1  # put load value in $s4
    ```
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Compiler

- The compiler transforms the C program into an assembly language program, a symbolic form of what the machine understands.
- Assembly language: A symbolic language that can be translated into binary machine language.

![Translation hierarchy for C](image)

**FIGURE 2.21** A translation hierarchy for C. A high-level language program is first compiled into an assembly language program and then assembled into an object module in machine language. The linker combines multiple modules with library routines to resolve all references. The loader then places the machine code into the proper memory locations for execution by the processor. To speed up the translation process, some steps are skipped or combined. Some compilers produce object modules directly, and some systems use linking loaders that perform the last two steps. To identify the type of file, UNIX follows a suffix convention for files: C source files are named x.c, assembly files are x.s, object files are named x.o, statically linked library routines are x.a, dynamically linked library routes are x.so, and executable files by default are called a.out. MS-DOS uses the suffixes .C, .ASM, .OBJ, .LIB, .DLL, and .EXE to the same effect.
Assembler

- The assembler converts this assembly language instruction into the machine language.
- **Pseudoinstruction**: A common variation of assembly language instruction often treated as if it were an instruction in its own right.
  - The MIPS assembler accepts this instruction even though it is not found in the MIPS architecture. The MIPS assembler converts move into add instruction.
    
    \[
    \text{move } \text{st0, s1} \rightarrow \text{add } \text{st0, zero, s1}
    \]
  
  - The MIPS assembler also converts `blt` (branch on less than) into the two instructions `slt` and `bne`.
    
    \[
    \text{blt } \text{st0, s1, L} \rightarrow \text{slt } \text{st0, s1, L}
    \]
    
    \[
    \text{bne } \text{st0, zero, L}
    \]
  
  - Other examples include `bqt`, `bge`, and `ble`

- Pseudoinstructions give MIPS a richer set of assembly language instruction than those implemented by the hardware.
- **Symbol table**: A table that matches names of labels to the address of the memory words that instruction occupy.
- **Assembler** keep track of labels used in branches and data transfer instructions in a symbol table.

Linker

- **Linker**: Also called link editor. A systems program that combines independently assembled machine language programs and resolves all undefined labels into an executable file.
- **Executable file**: A functional program in the format of an object file that contains no unresolved references. It can contain symbol tables and debugging information.

Loader

- **Loader**: A systems program that places an object program in main memory so that it is ready to execute.
- The executable file is on disk the operating system reads it to memory and start it.
- Load from image file on disk into memory
Dynamically Linked Libraries (DLL)

- Dynamically linked libraries (DLLs): Library routines that are linked to a program during execution.
- The lazy procedure linkage version of DLL, where each routine is linked only after it is call.
  - Figure 2.22 shows the technique. It started with the nonlocal routine calling a set of dummy routines at the end of the program, with one entry per nonlocal routine. These dummy entries each contain an indirect jump.
  - The linker/loader finds the desired routine remaps it, and changes the address in the indirect jump location to point to that routine.
  - Thereafter, the call to the library routine jump indirectly to routine without the extra hops.

**FIGURE 2.22** Dynamically linked library via lazy procedure linkage. (a) Steps for the first time a call is made to the DLL routine. (b) The steps to find the routine, remap it, and link it are skipped on subsequent calls. As we will see in Chapter 5, the operating system may avoid copying the desired routine by remapping it using virtual memory management.
Starting a Java Program

- Java is compiled first to instructions that are easy to interpret; the Java bytecode instruction set.
- A software interpreter, called a Java Virtual Machine (JVM), can execute Java bytecode.
- The downside of interpretation is lower performance.
- Just In Time compiler (JIT): The name commonly given to a compiler that operates at runtime, translating the interpreted code segments into the native code of the computer.
- To preserve portability and improve execution speed, the next phase of Java development was compilers that translated while the program was running.
- Just In Time compiler (JIT) typically profile the running program to find where the “hot” methods are and then compile them into the native instruction set on which the virtual machine is running.
- The compiled portion is saved for the next time the program is run, so that it can run faster each time it is run.
- Java on the fly, the performance gap between Java and C or C++ is closing.

![Translation Hierarchy for Java](image)

FIGURE 2.23 A translation hierarchy for Java. A Java program is first compiled into a binary version of Java bytecodes, with all addresses defined by the compiler. The Java program is now ready to run on the interpreter, called the Java Virtual Machine (JVM). The JVM links to desired methods in the Java library while the program is running. To achieve greater performance, the JVM can invoke the JIT compiler, which selectively compiles methods into the native machine language of the machine on which it is running.
2.13 A C Sort Example to Put It All Together 132

- This program sorts an array of integers, using bubble or exchange sort.

### The Full sort Procedure

```c
void sort (int v[], int n) {
    int i, j;
    for (i = 0; i < n; i += 1) {
        for (j = i - 1; j >= 0 && v[j] > v[j + 1]; j -= 1) {
            swap(v, j);
        }
    }
    // v in $a0, n in $a1, i in $s0, j in $s1

sort:       addi $sp, $sp, -20  # make room on stack for 5 registers
            sw $ra,16($sp)   # save $ra on stack
            sw $s3,12($sp)   # save $s3 on stack ($a1, n)
            sw $s2, 8($sp)   # save $s2 on stack ($a0, address of v[ ])
            sw $s1, 4($sp)   # save $s1 on stack
            sw $s0, 0($sp)   # save $s0 on stack
            move $s2, $a0    # save $a0 into $s2
            move $s3, $a1    # save $a1 into $s3
            move $s0, $zero  # i ($s0) = 0

for1tst:    slt $t0, $s0, $s3  # $t0 = 0 if $s0 >= $s3 (i >= n)
            beq $t0, $zero, exit1 # go to exit1 if $t0 >= $s3 (i >= n)
            sll $t1, $s1, 2      # $t1 = j * 4
            add $t2, $s2, $t1    # $t2 = v + (j * 4)
            lw $t3, 0($t2)      # $t3 = v[j]
            lw $t4, 4($t2)      # $t4 = v[j + 1]
            slt $t0, $t4, $t3   # $t0 = 1 if $t4 >= $t3
            bne $t0, $s1, 0     # $t0 = 1 if $t1 < 0 (j < 0)
            add $t2, $s2, $t1    # $t2 = v + (j * 4)
            lw $t3, 0($t2)      # $t3 = v[j]
            lw $t4, 4($t2)      # $t4 = v[j + 1]
            slt $t0, $t4, $t3   # $t0 = 0 if $t4 >= $t3
            beq $t0, $zero, exit2 # go to exit2 if $t4 >= $t3
            move $a0, $s2       # 1st param of swap is v (old $a0)
            move $a1, $s1       # 2nd param of swap is j
            jal swap            # call swap procedure
            addi $s1, $s1, -1   # j -= 1
            j for2tst           # jump to test of inner loop

exit2:      addi $s0, $s0, 1   # i += 1
            j for1tst           # jump to test of outer loop

exit1:      lw $s0, 0($sp)    # restore $s0 from stack
            lw $s1, 4($sp)      # restore $s1 from stack
            lw $s2, 8($sp)      # restore $s2 from stack
            lw $s3,12($sp)      # restore $s3 from stack
            lw $ra,16($sp)      # restore $ra from stack
            addi $sp, $sp, 20   # restore stack pointer
            jr $ra               # return to calling routine
```
```
The Full swap Procedure

```
// C code: Swap procedure (leaf)
// void swap(int v[], int k) {
//   int temp;
//   temp = v[k];
//   v[k] = v[k+1];
//   v[k+1] = temp;
// }
```

```
swap:  sll  $t1, $a1, 2    # $t1 = k * 4
      add $t1, $a0, $t1  # $t1 = v + (k*4); $t1 has the address of v[k]
      lw  $t0, 0($t1)   # $t0 (temp) = v[k]
      lw  $t2, 4($t1)   # $t2 = v[k+1]
      sw  $t2, 0($t1)   # v[k] = $t2
      sw  $t0, 4($t1)   # v[k+1] = $t0 (temp)
      jr  $ra          # return to calling routine
```
2.14 Arrays versus Pointers 141

- This section shows C and MIPS assembly versions of two procedures to clear a sequence of words in memory: one using array indices and one using pointer.

Array Version of Clear

```
###############################################################
# clear1(int array[], int size) {
#     int i;
#     for (i = 0; i < size; i += 1)
#         array[i] = 0;
# }
# $a0 = array[], $a1 = size, i in $t0 = i
clear1:
mov $t0, $zero  # i = 0
loop1: sll $t1, $t0, 2  # $t1 = i * 4
       add $t2, $a0, $t1  # $t2 = &array[i]
       sw $zero, 0($t2)  # Memory[array[i]] = 0
       addi $t0, $t0, 1  # i = i + 1
       slt $t3, $t0, $a1  # $t3 = (i < size)
       bne $t3, $zero, loop1  # if (i < size) goto loop1
jr $ra  # return to calling routine
###############################################################
```

Pointer Version of Clear

```
###############################################################
# clear2(int *array, int size) {
#     int *p;
#     for (p = &array[0]; p < &array[size]; p = p + 1)
#         *p = 0;
# }
# $a0 = *array, $a1 = size, i in $t0 = p (address of array[0])
clear2:
mov $t0, $a0  # p = & array[0]
sll $t1, $a1, 2  # $t1 = size * 4
add $t2, $a0, $t1  # $t2 = &array[size]
loop2: sw $zero, 0($t0)  # Memory[p] = 0
       addi $t0, $t0, 4  # p = p + 4
       slt $t3, $t0, $t2  # $t3 = (p<&array[size])
       bne $t3, $zero, loop2  # if (p<&array[size]) goto loop2
jr $ra  # return to calling routine
###############################################################
```
Comparing the two Versions (Array indices and Pointer) of Clear

- The array indices version must have the “multiple” and add inside the loop because i is incremented and each address must be recalculated from the new index.
- The pointer version moves the scaling shift and the array bound addition outside the loop, thereby reducing the instruction executed per iteration from 6 to 4.
- This manual optimization corresponds to the compiler optimization of strength reduction (shift instead of multiply) and induction variable elimination (eliminating array address calculations within loops)

```c
// clear1(int array[], int size) {
   int i;
   for (i = 0; i < size; i++)
      array[i] = 0;
}

// clear2(int *array, int size) {
   int *p;
   for (p = &array[0]; p < &array[size]; p++)
      *p = 0;
}
```

### Code Examples

**clear1**

1. move $t0,$zero   # i = 0
2. loop1: sll $t1,$t0,2 # $t1 = i * 4
3. add $t2,$a0,$t1 # $t2 = array[i]
4. sw $zero, 0($t2) # array[i] = 0
5. addi $t0,$t0,1 # i = i + 1
6. s1t $t3,$t0,$a1 # $t3 = (i < size)
7. bne $t3,$zero,loop1 # if (...) goto loop1

**clear2**

1. move $t0,$a0   # p = &array[0]
2. sll $t1,$a1,2 # $t1 = size * 4
3. add $t2,$a0,$t1 # $t2 = array[size]
4. loop2: sw $zero, 0($t2) # memory[p] = 0
5. addi $t0,$t0,4 # p = p + 4
6. s1t $t3,$t0,$t2 # $t3 = (p < size)
7. bne $t3,$zero,loop2 # if (...) goto loop2
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- ARM is the most popular instruction set architecture for embedded devices, with more than 9 billion devices in 2011 using ARM, and recent growth has been 2 billion per year.
- Standing originally for Acorn RISC Machine, later changed to Advanced RISC Machine. ARM came out the same year at MIPS and followed similar philosophies. Figure 2.31 lists the similarities.
- The principal difference is the MIPS has more registers and ARM has more addressing modes.

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<td>15 GPR × 32 bits</td>
<td>31 GPR × 32 bits</td>
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**FIGURE 2.31** Similarities in ARM and MIPS instruction sets.

**FIGURE 2.34** Instruction formats, ARM and MIPS. The differences result from whether the architecture has 16 or 32 registers.
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Evolution with backward compatibility

- 8080 (1974): 8-bit microprocessor
  - Accumulator, plus 3 index-register pairs
- 8086 (1978): 16-bit extension to 8080
  - Complex instruction set (CISC)
- 8087 (1980): floating-point coprocessor
  - Adds FP instructions and register stack
- 80286 (1982): 24-bit addresses, MMU
  - Segmented memory mapping and protection
- 80386 (1985): 32-bit extension (now IA-32)
  - Additional addressing modes and operations
  - Paged memory mapping as well as segments
  - Like the 80286, the 80386 has a compatibility mode to execute 8086 program without change
- 80486 (1989): pipelined, on-chip caches and FPU
  - Compatible competitors: AMD, Cyrix, …
- Pentium (1993): superscalar, 64-bit datapath
  - Later versions added MMX (Multi-Media eXtension) instructions
  - The infamous FDIV bug
  - New microarchitecture (see Colwell, *The Pentium Chronicles*)
- Pentium III (1999)
  - Added SSE (Streaming SIMD Extensions) and associated registers
- Pentium 4 (2001)
  - New microarchitecture
  - Added SSE2 instructions
- AMD64 (2003): extended architecture to 64 bits
  - Long mode: execution of all x86 instructions
- EM64T (2004), Extended Memory 64 Technology
  - AMD64 adopted by Intel (with refinements)
  - Added SSE3 instructions
- Intel Core (2006)
  - Added SSE4 instructions, virtual machine support
- AMD64 (2007): announced SSE5 instructions
- Intel (2011): Advanced Vector Extension
  - Longer SSE registers (128 to 256 bits), more instructions

- If Intel didn’t extend with compatibility, its competitors would!
  - Technical elegance ≠ market success
**X86 Registers and Data Addressing Modes**

- **Basic x86 Registers**
  - The registers of the 80386 extended all 16-bit register (except the segment registers) to 32 bits such as EAX, EBX.
  - The 80386 contains only 8 GPRs (general-purpose registers).
  - The means MIPS program can use 4 times (32 registers) as many and ARMv7 twice (16 registers) as many.
  - The 8086 provides support for both 8-bit (byte) and 16-bit (word) data type.
  - The 80386 add 32-bit address and data (double words) in the x86.

- **Basic x86 Addressing Modes**

  ![Register Set Diagram]
  
  **FIGURE 2.36** The 80386 register set. Starting with the 80386, the top eight registers were extended to 32 bits and could also be used as general-purpose registers.

  ![Instruction Types Table]
  
  **FIGURE 2.37** Instruction types for the arithmetic, logical, and data transfer instructions. The x86 allows the combinations shown. The only restriction is the absence of a memory-memory mode. Immediates may be 8, 16, or 32 bits in length; a register is any one of the 14 major registers in Figure 2.36 (not EIP or EFLAGS).
### X86 Instruction Format

- The encoding of instructions in the 80386 is complex, with many different instruction formats.
- Instructions for the 80386 may vary from 1 byte up to 15 bytes in length.

#### FIGURE 2.41
Typical x86 instruction formats. Figure 2.42 shows the encoding of the postbyte. Many instructions contain the 1-bit field w, which says whether the operation is a byte or a double word. The d field in MOV is used in instructions that may move to or from memory and shows the direction of the move. The ADD instruction requires 32 bits for the immediate field, because in 32-bit mode, the immediates are either 8 bits or 32 bits. The immediate field in the TEST is 32 bits long because there is no 8-bit immediate for test in 32-bit mode. Overall, instructions may vary from 1 to 15 bytes in length. The long length comes from extra 1-byte prefixes, having both a 4-byte immediate and a 4-byte displacement address, using an opcode of 2 bytes, and using the scaled index mode specifier, which adds another byte.

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<td>a. JE EIP + displacement</td>
<td>4 4 8</td>
<td>JE Condition Displacement</td>
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<tr>
<td>b. CALL</td>
<td>8 32</td>
<td>CALL Offset</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. MOV EBX, [EDI + 45]</td>
<td>6 1 1 8 8</td>
<td>MOV d w r/m Postbyte Displacement</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d. PUSH ESI</td>
<td>5 3</td>
<td>PUSH Reg</td>
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<td>e. ADD EAX, #6765</td>
<td>4 3 1 32</td>
<td>ADD Reg w Immediate</td>
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<td>f. TEST EDX, #42</td>
<td>7 1 8 32</td>
<td>TEST w Postbyte Immediate</td>
</tr>
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Implementing IA-32

- Complex instruction set makes implementation difficult
  - Hardware translates instructions to simpler micro operations
    - Simple instructions: 1–1
    - Complex instructions: 1–many
- Comparable performance to RISC
  - Compilers avoid complex instructions
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- In moving to 64-bit, ARM did a complete overhaul
- ARM v8 resembles MIPS
- Changes from ARM v7:
  - No conditional execution field
  - Immediate field is 12-bit constant
  - Dropped load/store multiple
  - PC is no longer a GPR
  - GPR set expanded to 32
  - Addressing modes work for all word sizes
  - Divide instruction
  - Branch if equal/branch if not equal instructions
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- MIPS Assembly Language

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<td>32 registers</td>
<td>$s0-$s7, $t0-$t9, $zero, $a0-$a3, $v0-$v1, $gp, $sp, $fp, $ra, $at</td>
<td>Fast locations for data. In MIPS, data must be in registers to perform arithmetic, register $zero always equals 0, and register $at is reserved by the assembler to handle large constants.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2^36 memory words</td>
<td>Memory[0], Memory[4], Memory[4294967292]</td>
<td>Accessed only by data transfer instructions. MIPS uses byte addresses, so sequential word addresses differ by 4. Memory holds data structures, arrays, and spilled registers.</td>
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### MIPS assembly language

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<td>$s1 = $s2 + 5$s3</td>
<td>Three register operands</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>subtract</td>
<td>sub $s1, $s2, $s3</td>
<td>$s1 = $s2 - $s3</td>
<td>Three register operands</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>add immediate</td>
<td>addi $s1, $s2, 20</td>
<td>$s1 = $s2 + 20</td>
<td>Used to add constants</td>
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<td>Data transfer</td>
<td>load word</td>
<td>lw $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>$s1 = Memory[$s2 + 20]</td>
<td>Word from memory to register</td>
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<td></td>
<td>store word</td>
<td>sw $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>Memory[$s2 + 20] = $s1</td>
<td>Word from register to memory</td>
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<td></td>
<td>load half</td>
<td>lh $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>$s1 = Memory[$s2 + 20]</td>
<td>Halfword memory to register</td>
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<td>load half unsig</td>
<td>lhu $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>$s1 = Memory[$s2 + 20]</td>
<td>Halfword memory to register</td>
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<td>store half</td>
<td>sh $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>Memory[$s2 + 20] = $s1</td>
<td>Halfword register to memory</td>
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<td>load byte</td>
<td>lb $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>$s1 = Memory[$s2 + 20]</td>
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<td>store byte</td>
<td>sb $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>Memory[$s2 + 20] = $s1</td>
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<td>load linked word</td>
<td>ll $s1, 20($s2)</td>
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<td>store condition word</td>
<td>sc $s1, 20($s2)</td>
<td>Memory[$s2+20] = $s1: $s1 = 0 or 1</td>
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<td>$s1 = $s2 &amp; 20</td>
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<td>$ra = PC + 4; go to 10000</td>
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