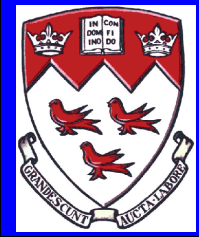


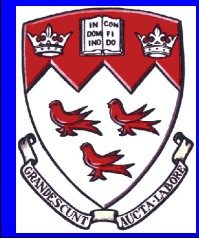


# COMP 273

## Floating Point, Buffers and the Heap

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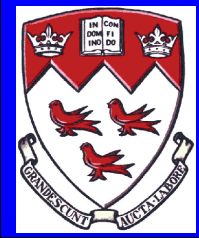
# Announcements

- Last assignment posted
- Course evaluations have started



# At Home

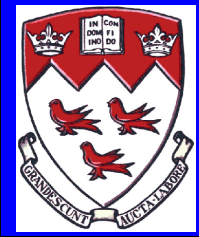
- Try the FP multiplication and addition example programs that come with the interpreter
- Textbook:
  - See MIPS Run; By Sweetman; Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, ISBN 1-55860-410-3 Chapters 6 and 7





# Part 1

## Floating Point Numbers





# Floating Point Instructions

## MIPS floating-point operands

Name	Example	Comments
32 floating-point registers	\$f0, \$f1, \$f2, . . . . , \$f31	MIPS floating-point registers are used in <u>pairs</u> for double precision numbers.
2 <sup>30</sup> memory words	Memory[0], Memory[4], . . . , Memory[4294967292]	Accessed only by data transfer instructions. MIPS uses byte addresses, so sequential words differ by 4. Memory holds data structures, such as arrays, and spilled registers, such as those saved on procedure calls.

## MIPS floating-point assembly language

Category	Instruction	Example	Meaning	Comments
Arithmetic	FP add single	add.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 + \$f6	FP add (single precision)
	FP subtract single	sub.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 - \$f6	FP sub (single precision)
	FP multiply single	mul.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 × \$f6	FP multiply (single precision)
	FP divide single	div.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 / \$f6	FP divide (single precision)
	FP add double	add.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 + \$f6	FP add (double precision)
	FP subtract double	sub.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 - \$f6	FP sub (double precision)
	FP multiply double	mul.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6	\$f2 = \$f4 × \$f6	FP multiply (double precision)
Data transfer	load word copr. 1	lwc1 \$f1,100(\$s2)	\$f1 = Memory[\$s2 + 100]	32-bit data to FP register
	store word copr. 1	swc1 \$f1,100(\$s2)	Memory[\$s2 + 100] = \$f1	32-bit data to memory
	branch on FP true	bclt 25	if (cond == 1) go to PC + 4 + 100	PC-relative branch if FP cond.
	branch on FP false	bclf 25	if (cond == 0) go to PC + 4 + 100	PC-relative branch if not cond.
Conditional branch	FP compare single (eq,ne,lt,le,gt,ge)	c.lt.s \$f2,\$f4	if (\$f2 < \$f4) cond = 1; else cond = 0	FP compare less than single precision
	FP compare double (eq,ne,lt,le,gt,ge)	c.lt.d \$f2,\$f4	if (\$f2 < \$f4) cond = 1; else cond = 0	FP compare less than double precision





## MIPS floating-point machine language

Name	Format	Example						Comments
add.s	R	17	16	6	4	2	0	add.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
sub.s	R	17	16	6	4	2	1	sub.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
mul.s	R	17	16	6	4	2	2	mul.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
div.s	R	17	16	6	4	2	3	div.s \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
add.d	R	17	17	6	4	2	0	add.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
sub.d	R	17	17	6	4	2	1	sub.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
mul.d	R	17	17	6	4	2	2	mul.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
div.d	R	17	17	6	4	2	3	div.d \$f2,\$f4,\$f6
lwc1	I	49	20	2	100			lwc1 \$f2,100(\$s4)
swc1	I	57	20	2	100			swc1 \$f2,100(\$s4)
bclt	I	17	8	1	25			bclt 25
bclf	I	17	8	0	25			bclf 25
c.lt.s	R	17	16	4	2	0	60	c.lt.s \$f2,\$f4
c.lt.d	R	17	17	4	2	0	60	c.lt.d \$f2,\$f4
Field size		6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	6 bits	All MIPS instructions 32 bits



# Example Program

Let's convert a temperature in Fahrenheit to Celsius:

```
float f2c (float fahr)
{
    return ((5.0/9.0) * (fahr - 32.0));
}
```

Assume that the floating-point argument `fahr` is passed in `$f12` and the result should go in `$f0`. (Unlike integer registers, floating-point register 0 can contain a number.) What is the MIPS assembly code?

Note: the `$gp` register is a global pointer to RAM. Normally, in C, it points to the first byte of a block of memory in the `.data` area that contains all the **extern** declared data. Providing rapid access. We can also use it as a general pointer to our own defined global memory space. Usage: `offset($gp)`.



We assume that the compiler places the three floating-point constants in memory within easy reach of the global pointer `$gp`. The first two instructions load the constants 5.0 and 9.0 into floating-point registers:

f2c:

```
lwc1 $f16,const5($gp)    # $f16 = 5.0 (5.0 in memory)
lwc1 $f18,const9($gp)    # $f18 = 9.0 (9.0 in memory)
```

They are then divided to get the fraction 5.0/9.0:

```
div.s $f16, $f16, $f18   # $f16 = 5.0 / 9.0
```

(Many compilers would divide 5.0 by 9.0 at compile time and save the single constant 5.0/9.0 in memory, thereby avoiding the divide at runtime.)

Next we load the constant 32.0 and then subtract it from `fahr` (`$f12`):

```
lwc1 $f18, const32($gp) # $f18 = 32.0
sub.s $f18, $f12, $f18   # $f18 = fahr - 32.0
```

Finally, we multiply the two intermediate results, placing the product in `$f0` as the return result, and then return:

```
mul.s $f0, $f16, $f18    # $f0 = (5/9)*(fahr - 32.0)
jr    $ra                # return
```

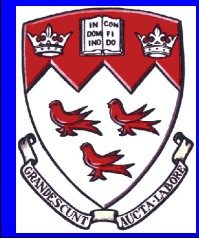




# Floating Point Instructions

- FP absolute value double      `abs.d fd, fs`
- FP absolute value single      `abs.s fd, fs`
- FP addition double      `add.d fd, fs, ft`
- FP addition single      `add.s fd, fs, ft`
- Compare equal double      `c.eq.d fs, ft`
- Compare less than      `c.le.d fs, ft`
- Convert single to double      `cvt.d.s fd, fs`
- Convert int to double      `cvt.d.w fd, fs`
- FP divide double      `div.d fd, fs, ft`

See end of text book (appendix A)



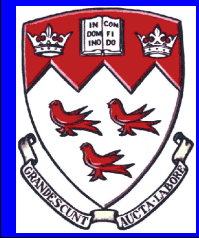
# Part 2

## Programming with Data



# Typed Instructions

C type	Data transfers	Operations
int	lw, sw, lui	add, addi, sub, mult, div, and, andi, or, ori, slt, slti
unsigned int	lw, sw, lui	addu, addiu, subu, multu, divu, and, andi, or, ori, sltu, sltiu
char	lb, sb, lui	addu, addiu, subu, multu, divu, and, andi, or, ori, sltu, sltiu
bit field	lw, sw, lui	and, andi, or, ori, sll, srl
float	lwc1, swc1	add.s, sub.s, mult.s, div.s, c.eq.s, c.lt.s, c.le.s
double	lwc1, swc1	add.d, sub.d, mult.d, div.d, c.eq.d, c.lt.d, c.le.d





# Load Instructions

- Load address `la rdest, address`
- Load byte `lb rt, address`
- Load unsigned byte `lbu rt, address`
- Load halfword `lh rt, address`
- Load unsigned halfword `lhu rt, address`
- Load word coprocessor `lwc1 rt, address`
  - Where 1 is the co-processor number





# Store Instructions

- Store byte `sb rt, address`
- Store halfword `sh rt, address`
- Store word `sw rt, address`
- Store word coprocessor `swc1 rt, address`
  - Where 1 is the co-processor number
- Store doubleword `sd rsrc, address`
  - Where rsrc is two consecutive registers
  - You identify the lower register number



# Move Data

Where Z is the  
co-pro no.

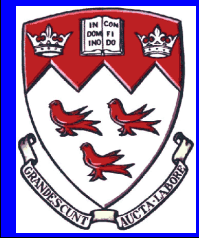
- Move `move rdest, rsrc`
- Move from hi `mfhi rd`
- Move from lo `mflo rd`
- Move to hi `mthi rs`
- Move to lo `mtlo rs`
- Move from coprocessor-z `mfcz rt, rd`
- Move double from Co1 `mfc1.d rdest, rc1`
- Move to co-z `mtcz rd, rt`

See end of text book (appendix A)



# Processors & RAM

- Main Processor
  - MIPS
- Co-processors
  - Co-0 = Exceptions and Interrupts
  - Co-1 = Floating-point operations
- Addresses
  - 0xffff0000 to 0xffff000c = I/O ports
  - Syscall 1 to 10 for OS API



# PART 3

## Buffers





# A Buffer

- A temporary intermediate location for data during a move operation from point A to B
  - Copying data to a subroutine
  - Loading a file from disk
  - Sending a packet to the network
- Implemented as an untyped array
  - It is untyped because the buffer can be used by any program for any reason
  - This buffer could be in RAM or there could be special hardware similar to RAM



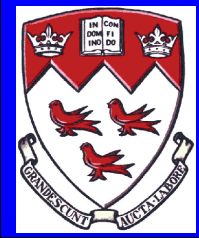
# Assembler Data Directives

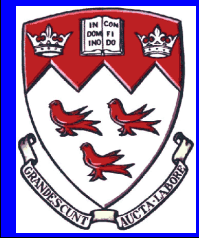
- Syntax:
  - LABEL: DIRECTIVE DATA
- Where:
  - .align n .data <addr>
  - .ascii str .extern sym size (\$gp)
  - .asciiz str .globl sym
  - .space n .text <addr>
  - .byte b1,b2,...,bn ... 8
  - .half h1,h2,...,hn ... 16
  - .word w1,w2,...,wn .... 32
  - .float f1,f2,...,fn ..... 32
  - .double d1,d2,...,dn ..... 64



# Buffer Example

- How would we define and use a buffer?





# Part 4

## OS Memory





# Access to OS Memory<sup>Controlled</sup>

Service	System call code	Arguments	Result
print_int	1	\$a0 = integer	
print_float	2	\$f12 = float	
print_double	3	\$f12 = double	
print_string	4	\$a0 = string	
read_int	5		integer (in \$v0)
read_float	6		float (in \$f0)
read_double	7		double (in \$f0)
read_string	8	\$a0 = buffer, \$a1 = length	
sbrk	9	\$a0 = amount	address (in \$v0)
exit	10		

- print\_NUMBER displays value in argument
- print\_string as C puts(char \*), pointer in argument, assumes \0
- read\_NUMBER reads digits until CR or character
- read\_string as C gets(), read until CR or buffer length reached
- sbrk as C malloc(size in bytes), returns address
- exit, terminates your program



# Example

```
.text
li      $v0, 4    # system call code for print_str
la      $a0, str  # address of string to print
syscall                          # pass control to OS

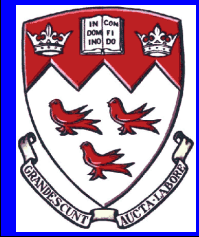
li      $v0, 1    # system call code for print_int
li      $a0, 5    # integer 5 set to print
syscall                          # pass control to OS

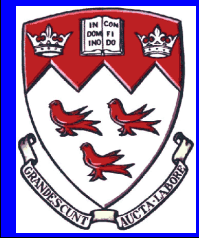
.data
Str:    .asciiz "the answer = "
```



# Question

- Ask the user for  $N$ . Then ask the user for  $N$  numbers. Sum these numbers and display the answer.

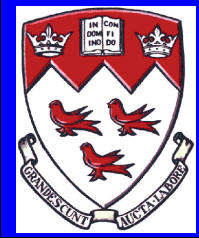




# Part 5

## The Heap





# The Elements

- MIPS CPU support is limited since it assumes OS management of it.
- Support consists of:
  - \$gp, used like \$fp to point to beginning of heap frame
    - lw \$t0, 800(\$gp)
  - The system call, sbrk (syscall code 9):
    - Asks the OS for n-bytes of data
    - Returns address of the first byte
- Programmer's can simulate their own Heap by defining a fixed memory block in their .data area
  - .space 500
  - Good practise for understanding how things work



# Simulated Heap Example

```
.data
Block: .space 400      # allocate 400 bytes (not initialized)

.text
.align 2              # make sure it starts at an even address
.globl Main
Main: la $s0, Block    # start of heap ($gp could be used)
      la $s2, Block    # end of heap pointer
      addi $s1, $zero, 8      # size of node (DATA+NEXT)

      # allocate a node (assume $t1 has data)
      sw $t1, 0($s2)        # store data
      sw $zero, 4($s2)      # store next = NULL
      add $s2, $s2, $s1     # move pointer based on offset

      # link a new node (assume $t1 has data)
      sw $t1, 0($s2)        # store data
      sw $zero, ...
```



# Example using Heap

```
li  $v0, 9      # system call code for malloc
li  $a0, 8      # ask for 8 bytes (two words)
syscall         # pass control to OS
```

Note:

- \$gp will be updated by 8 bytes.
- \$v0 contains the pointer to the beginning of the data block



# Heap with OS command

- Build a linked list...
  - Define space for pseudo-heap
  - Create our own malloc function
  - Building a struct
  - Building the list
  - Deleting a node in list



# Example Code

```
### Program composed of three loops:
###   init, which initialises variables and fills the list
###   loop, which eliminates people untill only one is left
###   elim, which removes a node from the list
### Variables used:
###   $s0 holds the address of the first node
###   $s1 (n) size of the list, initial number of people/nodes
###   $s2 (m) offset of the next person to eliminate
###   $s3 (i) position of current element to be eliminated
###   $t0, $t1, $t3 temporary values

        .data
array:   .space 400      #allocate 400 bytes = 100 words of space
                           #(50 for numbers, 50 for links)

str1:    .ascii "\nJosephus problem with linked list\nEnter size of circle (n): "
str2:    .ascii "Enter number to skip (m): "
str3:    .ascii "Execution order: "
str4:    .ascii "\nSurvivor: "
spc:     .ascii " "      #space character
```





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```
.text
.align 2
.globl main

main:

    #print str1
    li $v0, 4
    la $a0, str1
    syscall

    #ask for integer n
    li $v0, 5
    syscall
    move $s1, $v0

    #print str2
    li $v0, 4
    la $a0, str2
    syscall

    #ask for integer m
    li $v0, 5
    syscall
    move $s2, $v0
```





```
#prepare to enumerate eliminations
li $v0, 4    #print str3
la $a0, str3
syscall
```

```
#initialize variables
la $s0, array
addi $s3, $zero, 0
# $s1, $s2 already contain n, m respectively
move $t0, $zero
move $t1, $zero
move $t2, $zero
```

```
#initialize array with numbers 1 to n
move $t0, $s0      # $t0 now points to beginning of list
addi $t1, $zero, 1 # $t1 is the next number to be stored in array
addi $t2, $t0, 0   # $t2 points to position i-1 in list
```

```
addi $t3, $t2, 4    # $t3 points to position i in list
addi $t4, $t3, 4    # $t4 points to position i+1 in list
###note: the pair ($t2, $t3) form a node, $t2 holding the element, while $t3
###      holds the address of the next element/node
```



INIT:

```
sw $t1, 0($t2)    #store next number from $t1
sw $t4, 0($t3)    #store link to the next node
# change current node
addi $t2, $t2, 8
addi $t3, $t3, 8
addi $t4, $t4, 8
# increment number
addi $t1, $t1, 1
# check if more nodes need to be filled
bgt $t1, $s1, END_INIT
# fill next node
j INIT
```

END\_INIT:

```
# link last node to first one
mul $t5, $s1, 8
add $t5, $t0, $t5
addi $t5, $t5, -4    # $t5 now points to the last link
#move $t5, $t0
sw $t0, 0($t5)
```





```
# start eliminating every m-th node untill only one is left
# $t0 will point to the current node
# $t1 will count down to the next elimination
addi $t1, $s2, -1    # initializing counter
LOOP:
    # if length of list is 1, we have our answer
    addi $t2, $zero, 1
    beq $s1, $t2, ANSWER

    # if counter is 1, we eliminate the next node
    beq $t1, $t2, ELIM

    # else, we go to next node, decrement counter, and repeat loop
    lw $t0, 4($t0)
    addi $t1, -1
    j LOOP
```



```
ELIM:    # eliminate the node following $t0
lw $t2, 4($t0)    # $t2 points to next node, the one to be removed
lw $t3, 4($t2)

# print node being eliminated
li $v0, 1    #print_int
lw $a0, 0($t2)
syscall

li $v0, 4    #print spc (this string is a single space)
la $a0, spc
syscall

# relink list
sw $t3, 4($t0)    # node $t0 now links to node $t3

# decrement length of list
addi $s1, $s1, -1

# re-initialize counter
addi $t1, $s2, -1

# go to next node and repeat
move $t0, $t3

J LOOP
```





#position 0 (i.e. the first element) of array at \$s0 now contains the only element 1e

ANSWER:

```
lw $t2, 0($t0)
#print the answer from $t2
li $v0, 4      #print str4
la $a0, str4
syscall
li $v0, 1      #print_int
add $a0, $zero, $t2
syscall
```

EXIT:

```
#exit main correctly
jr $ra
##### END PROGRAM #####
```

