

STR: store/write to memory instructions

STR - word STR - byte

STR R₁, [R₁, #4] [R₁, #4] ← R₂

example loop in arm:

```
for(i=6, i!=0, i--);      MOV R2, #6   R2 ← 6
                           LOOP: SUBS R2, #1   R2 ← R2 - 1
                                         BNE LOOP
```

* Immediate constant are limited in how big they can be (varies)

* SUB instruction does not affect the Z or any other flags

SUBS ... does affect ... and other flags

It's true for all arithmetic logic and MOV operator

ADDS, SUBS, ANDS, MOVS all cause the condition code flags to be set. But ADD, SUB, AND & MOV do not

Flags:

Z=1 if result = 0

C=1 if result generated carry out

N=1 ... is negative (2's complement) (= bit 31 for a word → sign bit in 2's comp)

V=1 ... overflowed (too positive or too negative)

These condition code bits give rise to lots of branch conditions

BEQ	Z
BNE	Z
BGT	Z + (NV + NV) Branch if result is > 0
BLT	NV + NV < 0
BGE	NV + NV ≥ 0
BLE	Z + (NV + NV) ≤ 0

CMP: A compare instruction does a subtraction operation without changing A register, but it does change the condition codes

CMP R₀, R₁ // computes R₀-R₁ & sets the condition codes (cc) appropriately

CMP R₀, #4 // R₀-4 & sets on cc

example:

```
while(t<=0){           topwhile: CMP R0, #1 // assume t=R0 computes R0-1 sets cc
                           BNE Done
                           t+=3;
                           :
                           t>=1
}
                           MOV R1, #3
                           :
                           B topwhile
done: ...
```

Review ARM Processor Registers

New one: Current Processor Status Register (CPSR)

CPSR [M|Z|C|V] "Later"

R0 [] 16x 32 bit registers

⋮ [] general purpose registers

R13 [] SP Stack Pointer Register

R14 [] LR Link Register

R15 [] PC Program Counter

LR is used to know where to return to after a subroutine/function/procedure / method is done

example:

```
// assume L0 is Y
main: {
    int x,y,z;
    y=10;
    x=my_sub(y);
    z=my_sub(x);
}
    L0: MAIN: MOV R0, #10 // R0 ← 10
        BL MY_SUB // LR: R14 ← PC = NEXT = 8
        B NEXT: MOV ... ! PC: R15 ← MY_SUB
        :
        BL MY_SUB // LR: R14 ← PC = 20 PC ← MY_SUB
        B FRED: ...
MY_SUB: MOV R1, R0 // computes Y+Y
}
```

```
my_sub (int p) {  
    return (p+p);  
}
```

```
ADD R1,R0  
MOV PC,LR // PC<=LR, R0<=R0
```