



Computer Organization

Lab4

MIPS(3)

Instruction execution



Topics

- **Instruction execution**
 - **PC register**
 - **PC+4 vs Jump (Branch、 Loop)**
- **Function**
 - **Defination、 Call、 Return**

How does CPU execute the instructions ?

- Before executing an instruction, CPU **fetches** it from memory according to its address, then **analyze**, finally **execute**.
- Register **PC** stores **the address of the instruction** which is to be executed.

pc		0x00400000	
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Text Segment				
Bkpt	Address	Code	Basic	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400000	0x00004820	add \$9,\$0,\$0	5: add \$t1,\$zero,\$zero
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400004	0x20080000	addi \$8,\$0,0x00000000	6: addi \$t0,\$zero,0
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400008	0x200f000a	addi \$15,\$0,0x0000000a	7: addi \$t7,\$zero,10
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040000c	0x21080001	addi \$8,\$8,0x00000001	9: addi \$t0,\$t0,1
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400010	0x01284820	add \$9,\$9,\$8	10: add \$t1,\$t1,\$t0
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400014	0x010f082a	slt \$1,\$8,\$15	11: bgt \$t7,\$t0,calcu
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400018	0x1420ffff	bne \$1,\$0,0xffffffff	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040001c	0x3c011001	lui \$1,0x00001001	13: <5> la \$a0,pstr_M0
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400020	0x34240004	ori \$4,\$1,0x00000004	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400024	0x24020004	addiu \$2,\$0,0x00000004	<6> li \$v0,4
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400028	0x0000000c	syscall	<7> syscall
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040002c	0x00092021	addu \$4,\$0,\$9	14: move \$a0,\$t1
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400030	0x24020001	addiu \$2,\$0,0x00000001	15: li \$v0,1
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400034	0x0000000c	syscall	16: syscall
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400038	0x2402000a	addiu \$2,\$0,0x0000000a	18: <12> li \$v0,10
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040003c	0x0000000c	syscall	<13> syscall

Labels	
Label	Address ▲
testRWword.asm	
main	0x00400000
loop_r	0x00400020
loop_w	0x00400054
<input type="checkbox"/> Data <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Text	

Q1: What is the difference between the addresses of two adjacent instructions?

Q2: How does the value in \$PC change?



Conditional Branch & Unconditional Jump

➤ Conditional branch

- **beq \$t0,\$t1,label** *# branch to instruction addressed by the label if \$t1 and \$t2 are equal*
- **bne \$t0,\$t1,label** *# branch to instruction addressed by the label if \$t1 and \$t2 are NOT equal*
- **blt, ble, bltu, bleu, bgt, bge, bgtu, bgeu**

➤ Unconditional jump

Jump (j)	Unconditionally jumps to a specified location. A symbolic address or a general register specifies the destination. The instruction j \$31 returns from the a jal call instruction.
Jump And Link (jal)	Unconditionally jumps to a specified location and puts the return address in a general register. A symbolic address or a general register specifies the target location. By default, the return address is placed in register \$31. If you specify a pair of registers, the first receives the return address and the second specifies the target. The instruction jal procname transfers to procname and saves the return address. For the two-register form of the instruction, the target register may not be the same as the return-address register. For the one-register form, the target may not be \$31.



Branch

Are the running results of two demos the same ?

*Modify them without changing the result by using **ble** or **blt** instead*

```
.include "macro_print_str.asm"
.text
    print_string("please input your score (0~100):")
    li $v0,5
    syscall
    move $t0,$v0
case1:
    bge $t0,60,passLable
case2:
    j failLable

passLable:
    print_string("\nPASS (exceed or equal 60) ")
    j caseEnd
failLable:
    print_string("\nFaild(less than 60)")
    j caseEnd
caseEnd:
    end
```

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```



Loop

Compare the operations of loop which calculates the sum from 1 to 10 in java and MIPS.

Code in Java:

```
public class CalculateSum{
    public static void main(String [] args){
        int i = 0;
        int sum = 0;
        for(i=0;i<=10;i++)
            sum = sum + i;
        System.out.print("The sum from 1 to 10 : " + sum );
    }
}
```

Code in MIPS:

```
.include "macro_print_str.asm"
.data
    #....
.text
    add $t1,$zero,$zero
    addi $t0,$zero,0
    addi $t7,$zero,10
calcu:
    addi $t0,$t0,1
    add $t1,$t1,$t0
    bgt $t7,$t0,calcu

    print_string ("The sum from 1 to 10 : ")
    move $a0,$t1
    li $v0,1
    syscall

    end
```



Demo #1

*The following code is expected to get 10 integers from the input device, and print it as the following sample.
Will the code get desired result?
If not, what happened ?*

```
#piece 1/3

.include "macro_print_str.asm"
.data
    arrayx:    .space    10
    str:        .asciiz    "\nthe arrayx is:"
.text
main:
    print_string("please input 10 integers: ")
    add $t0,$zero,$zero
    addi $t1,$zero,10
    la $t2,arrayx
```

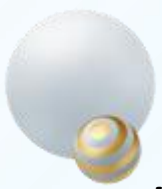
```
#piece 2/3
loop_r:
    li $v0,5
    syscall
    sw $v0,($t2)
    addi $t0,$t0,1
    addi $t2,$t2,4
    bne $t0,$t1,loop_r

    la $a0,str
    li $v0,4
    syscall
    addi $t0,$zero,0
    la $t2,arrayx
```

```
#piece 3/3
loop_w:
    lw $a0,($t2)
    li $v0,1
    syscall
    print_string(" ")
    addi $t2,$t2,4
    addi $t0,$t0,1
    bne $t0,$t1,loop_w
end
```

```
please input an array (no more than 10 integer): 1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
0

the arrayx is:1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0
-- program is finished running --
```



The function of following code is to get 5 integers from input device, and find the min value and max value of them. There are 4 pieces of code, write your code based on them. Can it find the real min and max?

```
#piece ?/4
.include "macro_print_str.asm"
.data
    min: .word 0
    max: .word 0
.text
    lw $t0,min
    lw $t1,max
    li $t7,5
    li $t6,0
    print_string("please input 5
integer:")
loop:
    li $v0,5
    syscall
    bgt $v0,$t1,get_max
    j get_min
```

```
#piece ?/4
get_max:
    move $t1,$v0
    j get_min
get_min:
    bgt $v0,$t0,judge_times
    move $t0,$v0
    j judge_times
```

```
#piece ?/4
judge_times:
    addi $t6,$t6,1
    bgt $t7,$t6,loop
```

```
#piece ?/4
    print_string("min : ")
    move $a0,$t0
    li $v0,1
    syscall
    print_string("max : ")
    move $a0,$t1
    li $v0,1
    syscall
end
```




Function

➤ **jal** function_lable

- **Save** the address of the next instruction in **register \$ra**
- **Unconditionally jump** to the instruction at **function_lable**.
- Used in **caller** while calling the function

➤ **jr** \$ra

- **Read** the value in **register \$ra**
- **Unconditionally jump** to the instruction according the value in register \$ra
- Used in **callee** while returning to the caller

➤ **lw** / **sw** with \$sp

- Protects register data by using **stack** in memory

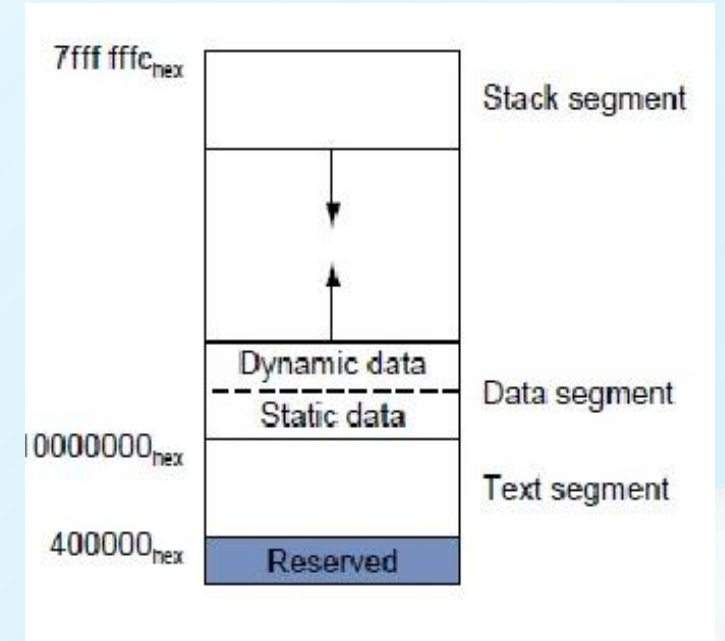
Stack Segment

Stack segment: The portion of memory used by a program to hold procedure call frames.

The program **stack segment**, resides **at the top of the virtual address space** (starting at address $7ffffff_{\text{hex}}$).

Like dynamic data, the maximum size of a program's stack is not known in advance.

As the program **pushes values on the stack**, the operating system **expands** the stack segment **down, toward the data segment**.



Demo #2

```
.data                                #piece 1/3
    tdata: .space 6
    str1: .asciiz "the original string is: "
    str2: .asciiz "\nthe last two character of the string is: "

.text
    la $a0,tdata
    addi $a1,$zero,6
    addi $v0,$zero,8
    syscall
```

read string	8	\$a0 = address of input buffer \$a1 = maximum number of characters to read
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print_string: #piece 3/3

```
    addi $sp,$sp,-8
    sw $a0,4($sp)
    sw $v0,0($sp)
    addi $v0,$zero,4
    syscall
    lw $v0,0($sp)
    lw $a0,4($sp)
    addi $sp,$sp,8
    jr $ra
```

Q1. Is it ok to remove the push and pop processing of **\$a0** on the stack in "print_string" ?

Q2. Is it ok to remove the push and pop processing of **\$v0** on the stack in "print_string" ?

```
la $a0,str1 #piece 2/3
jal print_string
```

```
la $a0,tdata
jal print_string
```

```
la $a0,str2
jal print_string
```

```
la $a0,tdata+3
jal print_string
```

```
addi $v0,$zero,10
syscall
```

Demo #2

*What's the value of **\$ra** while jumping and linking to the `print_string` (at line 12,15,18,21) ?*

`print_string:`

```
addi $sp,$sp,-8  
sw $a0,4($sp)  
sw $v0,0($sp)
```

```
addi $v0,$zero,4  
syscall
```

```
lw $v0,0($sp)  
lw $a0,4($sp)  
addi $sp,$sp,8
```

```
jr $ra
```

Text Segment				
Bkpt	Address	Code	Basic	Source
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040001c	0x0c100013	jal 0x0040004c	12: jal print_string
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400020	0x3c011001	lui \$1, 0x00001001	14: la \$a0, tdata
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400024	0x34240000	ori \$4, \$1, 0x00000000	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400028	0x0c100013	jal 0x0040004c	15: jal print_string
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040002c	0x3c011001	lui \$1, 0x00001001	17: la \$a0, str2
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400030	0x3424001e	ori \$4, \$1, 0x0000001e	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400034	0x0c100013	jal 0x0040004c	18: jal print_string
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400038	0x3c011001	lui \$1, 0x00001001	20: la \$a0, tdata+3
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x0040003c	0x34240003	ori \$4, \$1, 0x00000003	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400040	0x0c100013	jal 0x0040004c	21: jal print_string
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400044	0x2002000a	addi \$2, \$0, 0x0000000a	23: addi \$v0, \$zero, 10
<input type="checkbox"/>	0x00400048	0x0000000c	syscall	24: syscall

*pay attention to the value of **\$pc***

Recursion

“fact” is a function to calculate the factorial.

Code in C:

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

Q1. While calculate **fact(6)**, how many times does push and pop processing on stack happen?

Q2. How does the value of \$a0 change when calculate **fact(6)**?

Code in 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    #return 1  
addi   $sp,$sp,8      #pop 2 items off stack  
jr     $ra            #return to caller
```

```
L1:    addi $a0,$a0,-1  #n>=1; argument gets(n-1)  
jal    fact           #call fact with(n-1)
```

```
lw     $a0,0($sp)      #return from jal: restore argument 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            #return to the caller
```




Practice

1. Print out a 9*9 multiplication table.
 1. Define a function to print $a*b = c$, the value of “a” is from parameter \$a0,the value of “b” is from parameter \$a1.
 2. Less syscall is better(more effective).
2. Get a positive integer from input, calculate the sum from 1 to this value by using recursion, output the result in hexadecimal.
3. Get a positive integer from input, output an integer in reverse order using loop and recursion separately.
4. Answer the questiones on page 5,12 and13.



Tips

caller-saved register A register saved by the routine being called.

callee-saved register A register saved by the routine making a procedure call.

- Registers **\$a0~\$a3** are used to **pass the first four arguments to routines** (remaining arguments are passed on the stack).
- Registers **\$v0~\$v1** are used to **return values from functions**.
- Registers **\$t0~ \$t9** are ***caller-saved registers*** that are used to hold temporary quantities that need not be preserved across calls.
- Registers **\$s0~\$s7** are ***callee-saved registers*** that hold long-lived values that should be preserved across calls.
- Register **\$sp (29)** is the **stack pointer**, which points to the last location on the stack.
- Register **\$fp (30)** is the frame pointer.
- The jal instruction writes register **\$ra (31)**, the return address from a procedure call.