

CompSys 2023

Machine arc
Assembler programming

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4 Machine architecture (about 24 %)

4.1 Assembler programming (about 14 %)

Consider the following program written in RISC-V assembler.

```
<start>:
    li    a5,1
    bge   a5,a0,L4
    addi   a6,a1,4
    slli   a0,a0,0x2
    add    t1,a1,a0
    li    a7,0
    li    a0,-1
    j      L2
L1:
    addi   a4,a4,1
    slli   a4,a4,0x2
    add    a4,a1,a4
    sw     a2,0(a4)
    addi   a7,a7,1
    addi   a6,a6,4
    beq    a6,t1,L4
L2:
    lw     a2,0(a6)
    mv     a4,a7
    mv     a5,a6
    bltz   a7,L1
L3:
    lw     a3,-4(a5)
    bge    a2,a3,L1
    sw     a3,0(a5)
    addi   a4,a4,-1
    addi   a5,a5,-4
    bne    a4,a0,L3
    j      L1
L4:
    ret
```

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11      addi  a4,a4,1
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14      sw    a2,0(a4)
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21      mv    a5,a6
22      bltz  a7,L1
23 L3:
24      lw    a3,-4(a5)
25      bge   a2,a3,L1
26      sw    a3,0(a5)
27      addi  a4,a4,-1
28      addi  a5,a5,-4
29      bne   a4,a0,L3
30      j     L1
31 L4:
32      ret

```

```

1  <start>:      prolog
2
3      bge   a5,a0,L4      check if loop should be run
4
5
6
7
8
9      j     L2            jump til loop
10 L1:
11
12
13
14
15
16
17      beq   a6,t1,L4
18 L2:
19
20
21
22      bltz  a7,L1        restart outer loop
23 L3:
24
25      bge   a2,a3,L1      restart outer loop
26
27
28
29      bne   a4,a0,L3      restart inner loop
30      j     L1            restart outer loop
31 L4:
32      ret              exit function (jalr x0, x1, 0)
33

```

Question 4.1.2: Specify which registers are used for pointers. How can you see this? What are the operations?

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7   li   a7,0
8   li   a0,-1
9   j    L2
10  L1:
11   addi a4,a4,1
12   slli a4,a4,0x2
13   add  a4,a1,a4
14   sw   a2,0(a4)
15   addi a7,a7,1
16   addi a6,a6,4
17   beq  a6,t1,L4
18  L2:
19   lw   a2,0(a6)
20   mv   a4,a7
21   mv   a5,a6
22   bltz a7,L1
23  L3:
24   lw   a3,-4(a5)
25   bge  a2,a3,L1
26   sw   a3,0(a5)
27   addi a4,a4,-1
28   addi a5,a5,-4
29   bne  a4,a0,L3
30   j    L1
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```

```

1 <start>:
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 L1:
11
12
13
14   sw   a2,0(a4)    a4 pointer
15
16
17
18 L2:
19   lw   a2,0(a6)    a6 :pointer
20
21
22
23 L3:
24   lw   a3,-4(a5)   a5 pointer
25
26   sw   a3,0(a5)    a5 pointer
27
28
29
30
31 L4:
32   ret
33

```

```

1 <start>:
2   li   a5,1
3   bge  a5,a0,L4
4   addi a6,a1,4      a6 = a1 + 4 pointer? don't know
5   slli a0,a0,0x2
6   add  t1,a1,a0     t1 = a1 + 4*a0 array offset (assumed)
7   li   a7,0
8   li   a0,-1
9   j    L2
10  L1:
11   addi a4,a4,1
12   slli a4,a4,0x2
13   add  a4,a1,a4     a4 = a1 + 4 pointer
14   sw   a2,0(a4)
15   addi a7,a7,1
16   addi a6,a6,4
17   beq  a6,t1,L4
18  L2:
19   lw   a2,0(a6)     a6 :pointer
20   mv   a4,a7
21   mv   a5,a6
22   bltz a7,L1
23  L3:
24   lw   a3,-4(a5)    a5 pointer
25   bge  a2,a3,L1
26   sw   a3,0(a5)
27   addi a4,a4,-1
28   addi a5,a5,-4
29   bne  a4,a0,L3
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12      slli  a4,a4,0x2
13      add   a4,a1,a4
14      sw    a2,0(a4)
15      addi  a7,a7,1
16      addi  a6,a6,4
17      beq   a6,t1,L4
18 L2:
19      lw    a2,0(a6)
20      mv    a4,a7
21      mv    a5,a6
22      bltz  a7,L1
23 L3:
24      lw    a3,-4(a5)
25      bge   a2,a3,L1
26      sw    a3,0(a5)
27      addi  a4,a4,-1
28      addi  a5,a5,-4
29      bne   a4,a0,L3
30      j     L1
31 L4:
32      ret

```

```

1  <start>:
2      li    a5,1
3      bge   a5,a0,L4      a0 has not been assigned
4      addi  a6,a1,4      a1 has not been assigned
5      slli  a0,a0,0x2
6      add   t1,a1,a0
7      li    a7,0
8      li    a0,-1
9      j     L2
10 L1:
11      addi  a4,a4,1
12      slli  a4,a4,0x2
13      add   a4,a1,a4
14      sw    a2,0(a4)
15      addi  a7,a7,1
16      addi  a6,a6,4
17      beq   a6,t1,L4
18 L2:
19      lw    a2,0(a6)
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27      addi  a4,a4,-1
28      addi  a5,a5,-4
29      bne   a4,a0,L3
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```

Start fra <start> og se hvad der ikke er assigned, før det bliver brugt.

Note:

Husk at følge jumps/branches, ikke bare se oppe fra og ned. L2 kunne benytte et argument der ikke var assigned, men som efterfølgende blev assigned i L1

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6     add   t1,a1,a0
7     li    a7,0
8     li    a0,-1
9     j     L2
10 L1:
11     addi  a4,a4,1
12     slli  a4,a4,0x2
13     add   a4,a1,a4
14     sw    a2,0(a4)
15     addi  a7,a7,1
16     addi  a6,a6,4
17     beq   a6,t1,L4
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19     lw    a2,0(a6)
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29     bne   a4,a0,L3
30     j     L1
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```

```

1 <start>:
2     li    a5,1
3     bge   a5,a0,L4    if 1>=a0 <=> if a0<1 goto return
4     addi  a6,a1,4      tmp a6 = a1[1]
5     slli  a0,a0,0x2
6     add   t1,a1,a0     t1 = a1[a0]      (length, vides ikke endnu, men antages)
7     li    a7,0        a7 =0
8     li    a0,-1       a0 -=1
9     j     L2
10 L1:
11     addi  a4,a4,1
12     slli  a4,a4,0x2
13     add   a4,a1,a4
14     sw    a2,0(a4)
15     addi  a7,a7,1
16     addi  a6,a6,4
17     beq   a6,t1,L4
18 L2:
19     lw    a2,0(a6)     a2 = *a[1]  (antager a6 = i i while loopet)
20     mv    a4,a7        a4 = 0
21     mv    a5,a6        a5 = 1
22     bltz  a7,L1        if a7 < 0 goto L1
23 L3:
24     lw    a3,-4(a5)    a3 = a[1-1]
25     bge   a2,a3,L1     if a1[1] >= a1[1-1] goto L1
26     sw    a3,0(a5)     a[1] = a3 <=> a[1]=a[1-1]
27     addi  a4,a4,-1     a4 -= 1      Tyder på at a4 itererer, og dermed er en variabel (j)
28     addi  a5,a5,-4     a5 = a[1-1]
29     bne   a4,a0,L3     if -1 != -1 køør indre loop igen., så a4 må være j værdi, da dette er condition variabel

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Lav konklusioner. Bne i linje 29 er indre loop af j. Og (j--(ud fra linje 27))

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7   li   a7,0
8   li   a0,-1
9   j    L2
10  L1:
11   addi a4,a4,1
12   slli a4,a4,0x2
13   add  a4,a1,a4
14   sw   a2,0(a4)
15   addi a7,a7,1
16   addi a6,a6,4
17   beq  a6,t1,L4
18  L2:
19   lw   a2,0(a6)
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7   li   a7,0          a7 = 0
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16   addi a6,a6,4
17   beq  a6,t1,L4
18  L2:
19   lw   a2,0(a6)      a2 = *a[i] (antager a6 = i i while loopet)
20   mv   a4,a7          a4 = j
21   mv   a5,a6          a5 = i
22   bltz a7,L1          if a7 < 0 goto L1
23  L3:
24   lw   a3,-4(a5)      a3 = a[i-1]
25   bge  a2,a3,L1        if a1[i] >= a1[j] goto L1
26   sw   a3,0(a5)      a[j] = a3 <=> a[j]=a[j-1]
27   addi a4,a4,-1        a4 -= 1      Tyder på at a4 itererer, og dermed er en variabel (j)
28   addi a5,a5,-4        a5 = a[j-1]
29   bne  a4,a0,L3        if -1 != -1 køør indre loop igen., så a4 må være j værdi, da dette er condition variabel
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slli a0,a0,0x2   a0 = length *4
add  t1,a1,a0    t1 = &a1[a0] (length, vides ikke endnu, men antages)
li   a7,0        a7 = j
li   a0,-1       a0 = -1
j    L2

L1:
addi a4,a4,1     j++
slli a4,a4,0x2   j*4
add  a4,a1,a4    udregna[j+1]
sw   a2,0(a4)    a1[j+1] = tmp
addi a7,a7,1     j reset ud fra at vi så at a7=j i linje 20
addi a6,a6,4     a[i++]
beq  a6,t1,L4    if &a1[i] = &a[a0] return

L2:
lw   a2,0(a6)    a2 = a[i] evt kald a2 tmp
mv   a4,a7       a4 = j <=> j = i-1
mv   a5,a6       a5 = i
bltz a7,L1       if a7 < 0 goto L1

L3:
lw   a3,-4(a5)   a3 = a[j] = a[i-1] i første runde
bge  a2,a3,L1    if tmp >= a1[j] goto L1
sw   a3,0(a5)    a[j] = a3 <=> a[j]=a[j-1]
addi a4,a4,-1    a4 -= 1 Tyder på at a4 itererer, og dermed er en variabel (j)
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bne  a4,a0,L3    if j != -1 kør indre loop igen., så a4 må være j værdi, da dette er condition
j    L1          variabel

L4:
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31 L4:
32      ret

```

Tid til at oversætte til C kode:

```

void sort(int length, int array[]) {
    int i = 1;
    int lastelm = array + length;
    while (&array[i] < lastelm) {
        int j = i-1;
        tmp = array[i];
        while (j>=0 && array[j]> tmp) {
            array[j+1] = array[j];
            j--;
        }
        array[j+1] = tmp;
    }
}

```

C kode:

```
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        int j = i-1;  
        tmp = array[i];  
        while (j>=0 && array[j]> tmp) {  
            array[j+1] = array[j];  
            j--;  
        }  
        array[j+1] = tmp;  
    }  
}
```

```
void sort(int length, int array[]) {  
    int i = 1;  
    if (length >= i)  
        int lastelm = array + length;  
        int jbase = 0;  
        int j = jbase;  
        while (&array[i] < lastelm) {  
            int jbase ++;  
            j = jbase;  
            tmp = array[i];  
            while (j>=0 && array[j]> tmp) {  
                array[j+1] = array[j];  
                j--;  
            }  
            array[j+1] = tmp;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Question 4.1.5: Describe shortly the functionality of the program.

Funktionen er insertionsort.

Den leverede tabel sorteres gradvist. Den ydre løkke gennemløber alle elementerne et for et og udvider den sorterede del af tabellen. Den indre løkke placerer hvert element det rigtige sted blandt de sorterede elementer.