

Computer organization

Lab2

Assembly language-MIPS(1)

Load & Store





Machine Language & Assembly Language

- Machine Instruction: a binary representation used for communication with a computer system.
- > Assembly Instruction: a symbolic representation of machine language
- > Assembler: translate assembly codes into binary instructions

```
Data
            Text
Text
                             User Text Segment [00400000]..[00440000]
[00400000] 8fa40000 lw $4, 0($29)
                                          ; 183: lw $a0 0($sp) # argc
                   addiu $5, $29, 4 ; 184: addiu $a1 $sp 4 # argv
[00400004] 27a50004
                   addiu $6, $5, 4 ; 185: addiu $a2 $a1 4 # envp
[00400008] 24a60004
                   sll $2, $4, 2
                                       ; 186: sll $v0 $a0 2
[0040000c] 00041080
                   addu $6, $6, $2
[00400010] 00c23021
                                          ; 187: addu $a2 $a2 $v0
[00400014] 0c100009
                   jal 0x00400024 [main]
                                          ; 188: jal main
```



Assembly Language based on MIPS

Data declaration

- Data declaration section starts with ". data".
- The declaration means a piece of memory is required to be allocated. The declaration usually includes lable (name of address on this meomory unit), size(optional), and initial value(optional).

Code definition

- Code definition starts with ".text", includes basic instructions, extended instructions, labels of the code(optional). At the end of the code, "exit" system service should be called.
- Comments: Comments start from "#" till the end of current line



Data Types and Literals

In MIPS32

➤ Q: What's the size of Register in MIPS32?

- Unit Conversion
 - 1 word = 32bit = 2*half word(2*16bit) = 4* Byte(4*8bit)
- Instruction and Data Storage:
 - Instructions are all 32 bits(1 word)
 - A character requires 1 byte of storage
- Literals:
 - Characters enclosed in single quotes. e.g. 'C'
 - Strings enclosed in double quotes. E.g. "a String"
 - Numbers in code. e.g. 10



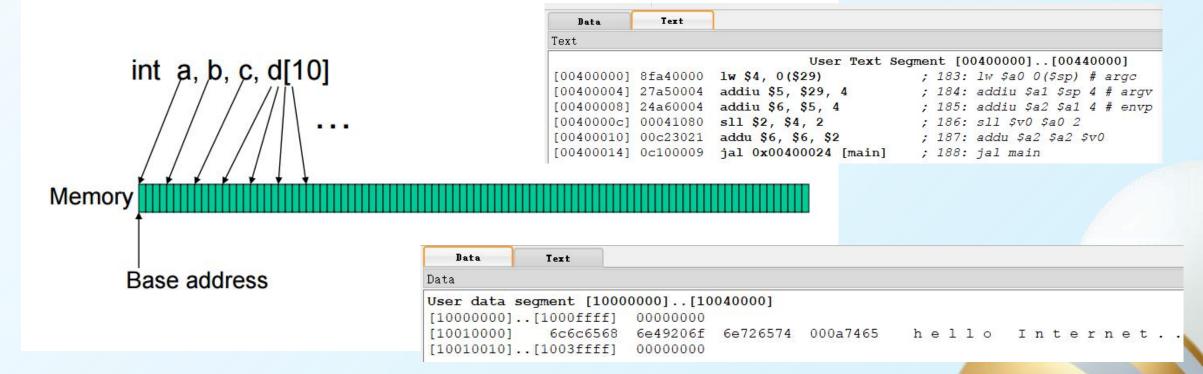
Data Declaration

```
value(s)
         name:
                   storage type
example
var1:
       .word 3 # create a single integer:
                        #variable with initial value 3
        .byte 'a', 'b' # create a 2-element character
array1:
                        # array with elements initialized:
                        # to a and b
array2: .space 40
                      # allocate 40 consecutive bytes,
                        # with storage uninitialized
                        # could be used as a 40-element
                        # character array, or a
                        # 10-element integer array;
                        # a comment should indicate it.
                                     #declare a string
string1: .asciiz "Print this.\n"
```



Memory

 The compiler organizes data in memory... it knows the location of every variable (saved in a table)... it can fill in the appropriate mem-address for load-store instructions

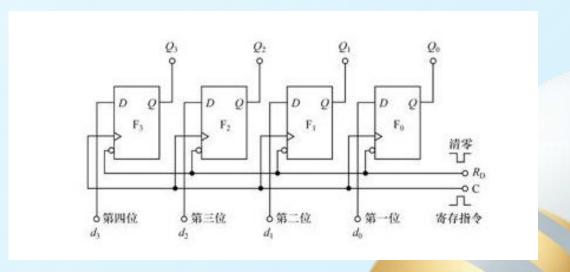




Register (1)

- ➤ Registers are small storage areas used to store data in the CPU, which are used to temporarily store the data and results involved in the operation.
- > All MIPS arithmetic instructions MUST operate on registers
- The size of registers in MIPS32 is 32 bits

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0	
Name		Number	Value
\$zero		0	0x00000000
\$at		1	0x10010000
\$v0		2	0x0000000a
\$v1		3	00000000x0
\$a0		4	0x10010000
\$a1		5	0x00000000
\$a2		6	0x00000000
\$a3		7	00000000x0
\$t0		8	0x00000063
\$t1		9	0x00000000





Register (2)

REGISTER NAME, NUMBER, USE, CALL CONVENTION

NAME	NUMBER	USE	PRESERVEDACROSS
IVAIVIE	NOMBER	OSE	A CALL?
\$zero	0	The Constant Value 0	N.A.
\$at	1	Assembler Temporary	No
\$v0-\$v1	2-3	Values for Function Results and Expression Evaluation	No
\$a0-\$a3	4-7	Arguments	No
\$t0-\$t7	8-15	Temporaries	No
\$s0-\$s7	16-23	Saved Temporaries	Yes
\$t8-\$t9	24-25	Temporaries	No
\$k0-\$k1	26-27	Reserved for OS Kernel	No
\$gp	28	Global Pointer	Yes
\$sp	29	Stack Pointer Yes	
\$fp	30	Frame Pointer Yes	
\$ra	31	Return Address	No



MIPS Instruction: Load & Store

- > In MIPS
 - Access the data in **memory** could ONLY be invoked by two types of instruction: **load** and **store**.
 - > All the calculation are based on the data in Registers.

Name	Example	Comments
32 registers	\$s0-\$s7, \$t0-\$t9, \$zero, \$a0-\$a3, \$v0-\$v1, \$gp, \$fp, \$sp, \$ra, \$at	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.
2 ³⁰ memory words	Memory[0], Memory[4], , Memory[4294967292]	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.



Load (Load to Register)

```
register destination, RAM source
lw
                                  # copy word (4 bytes) at
                                  # source_RAM location
                                  # to destination register.
                                  # load word -> lw
lb
          register destination, RAM source
                                  # copy byte at source RAM
                                  # location to low-order byte of
                                   # destination register,
                                   # and sign -e.g. tend to
                                   # higher-order bytes
                                   # load byte -> lb
li
           register destination, value
                                   #load immediate value into
                                   #destination register
                                   #load immediate --> li
```

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Store (Store to Memory)

```
register_source, RAM_destination

#store word in source register

# into RAM destination

sb register_source, RAM_destination

#store byte (low-order) in

#source register into RAM

#destination
```



The Address of the Target Unit in the Memory

- > The address is the value of "label"
 - The value of "label" is determined by the Assembler according to the assembly source code.
- > The address need to be got from the Register
 - > Using the content in register as address.
- > The address need to be caculated by Baseline + offset
 - > Using the sum of the baseline address and offset as address.



The Address is the value of "label"

Load the address which is labeled by "var1" into the Register "t0".

```
la $t0, var1
```

NOTIC: "var1" could be either a label of data or a label of a MIPS instruction.



The Address need to be got from the Register

Load the word from the memory unit whose address is in the register "t0" to the register "t2".

\$\tau_{\text{tq}}\$ (\$\text{t0})

>Store the word from the register "t2" to the memory unit whose address is in

the register "t0".



The Address is caculated by Baseline + offset

Load the word from the memory unit whose address is in the sum of 4 and the value in register "t0" to the register "t2".

lw

\$t2, 4(\$t0)

> Store the word in register "t2" to the memory unit whose address is the sum of -12 and the value in the register "t0".

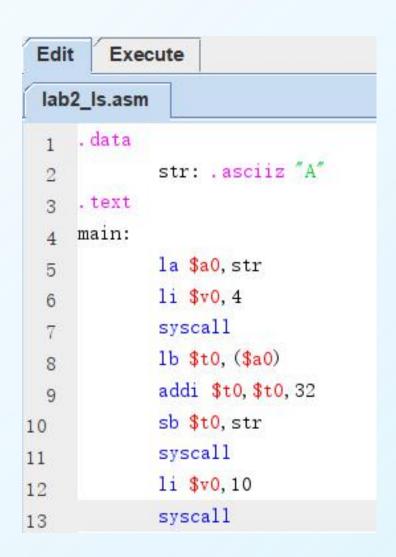
SW

\$t2, -12(\$t0)

Baselin + offset is applied widely while process on the Array and stack.



Demo1



Q: what's the output of the code?

```
. data
        arrayx: . word 11
. text
main:
        lw $a0, arrayx
        li $v0, 1
        syscall
        li, $v0, 10
        syscall
```

```
arrayx: .word 11
.text
main:

la $t0, arrayx
move $a0, $t0
li $v0, 1
syscall

li,$v0, 10
syscall
```



Arithmetic Instructions(1)

add	\$t0,\$t1,\$t2	#	\$t0 = \$t1 + \$t2; add as signed
		#	(2's complement) integers
sub	\$t2,\$t3,\$t4	#	\$t2 = \$t3
addi	\$t2,\$t3, 5	#	\$t2 = \$t3 + 5; "add immediate"
		#	(no sub immediate)
addu	\$t1,\$t6,\$t7	#	\$t1 = \$t6 + \$t7;
addu	\$t1,\$t6,5	#	\$t1 = \$t6 + 5;
		#	add as unsigned integers
subu	\$t1,\$t6,\$t7	#	\$t1 = \$t6 - \$t7;
subu	\$t1,\$t6,5	#	\$t1 = \$t6 - 5
		#	subtract as unsigned integers



Arithmetic Instructions(2)

```
$t3,$t4
mult
                          # multiply 32-bit quantities in $t3
                          # and $t4, and store 64-bit
                          # result in special registers Lo
                          # and Hi: (Hi, Lo) = $t3 * $t4
div
          $t5,$t6
                          # Lo = $t5 / $t6 (integer quotient)
                          # Hi = $t5 \mod $t6 (remainder)
mfhi
          $t0
                            move quantity in special register Hi
                          # to $t0: $t0 = Hi
mflo
          $t1
                            move quantity in special register Lo
                          # to $t1: $t1 = Lo, used to get at
                            result of product or quotient
```



Demo2

```
. data
        strl: .asciiz "13/4 quotient is: "
        str2: .asciiz ", reminder is : "
. text
main:
        la $a0, str1
        li $v0, 4
        syscall
        li $t0,13
        li $t1, 4
        divu $t0, $t1
        mflo $a0
        li $v0, 1
        syscall
        la $a0, str2
        li $v0, 4
        syscall
        mfhi $a0
        li $v0,1
        syscall
        li $v0, 10
        syscall
```

```
Q1:What's processing of "mflo" and "mfhi"?
```

Q2: What's the usage of registers "hi" and "lo"?

Q3: What's the value of "str2"?

Q4: Is there any instruction doing "move to"?

Q5: What's the output of this demo?



Demo 3

Answer the questions in the comments of following code

```
.data
                                      #malloc 16 byte, not initialize ##### name value: 0x10010000
         name:
                    .space 16
                    .ascii "mick\n"
                                      \# malloc 4+1 = 5byte = 5 * asciic(byte)
         mick:
                    .asciiz "alice\n"
                                      ##### what's the value of alice?
         alice:
                                     ##### what's the value of tony ?
         tony:
                   .asciiz "tony\n"
         chen:
                   .asciiz "chen\n"
    .text
   main:
         la $t0,name
                               #using name value which is an address, load this address to $t0
10
12
         la $t1,mick
                               #1, get value of $to, use it as the address of a piece of memory
13
         sw $t1,($t0)
         la $t1, alice
14
         sw $t1,4($t0)
                              #baseline: the content of $t0, offset:4
15
         la $t1,tony
16
         sw $t1,8($t0)
17
         la $t1,chen
18
         sw $t1,12($t0)
19
20
21
         li $v0,4
22
         lw $a0,0($t0)
         syscall
                            #what's the output while this syscall is done
23
24
         li $v0,10
25
26
         syscall
```



Practice and Thinking

Implement the function described in the right hand snap by using MIPS assembly language.

- 1) In the right hand snap, are 'i','j' and 'k' the name of registers or the name of labels?
- 2) Which types of syscall are used to do the input and output process?
- 3) While finish the input process, data need to be moved from register to memory, which MIPS instruction can do this: move, load or store?
- 4) Before the caculation, do the data need to be moved to the registers from memory?
- 5) There are 32 Integer Registers in the MIPS, could all of them be used in any situation?
- 6) While using the "add" instruction, is the sum stored to the register or to a piece of memory?
- 7) How many bytes of memory and how many registers be used in your code?

```
import java.util.Scanner;
public class sum{
   public static void main(String [] args){
        Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
        int i,j,k;
        i = in.nextInt();
        j = in.nextInt();
        k = i + j;
        System.out.print(k);
   in.close();
}
```