

## Chapter 20

# RISC-V Assembly Programmer's Handbook

This chapter is a placeholder for an assembly programmer's manual.

Table 20.1 lists the assembler mnemonics for the **x** and **f** registers and their role in the standard calling convention.

Register	ABI Name	Description	Saver
x0	zero	Hard-wired zero	—
x1	ra	Return address	Caller
x2	sp	Stack pointer	Callee
x3	gp	Global pointer	—
x4	tp	Thread pointer	—
x5	t0	Temporary/alternate link register	Caller
x6–7	t1–2	Temporaries	Caller
x8	s0/fp	Saved register/frame pointer	Callee
x9	s1	Saved register	Callee
x10–11	a0–1	Function arguments/return values	Caller
x12–17	a2–7	Function arguments	Caller
x18–27	s2–11	Saved registers	Callee
x28–31	t3–6	Temporaries	Caller
f0–7	ft0–7	FP temporaries	Caller
f8–9	fs0–1	FP saved registers	Callee
f10–11	fa0–1	FP arguments/return values	Caller
f12–17	fa2–7	FP arguments	Caller
f18–27	fs2–11	FP saved registers	Callee
f28–31	ft8–11	FP temporaries	Caller

Table 20.1: Assembler mnemonics for RISC-V integer and floating-point registers.

Tables 20.2 and 20.3 contain a listing of standard RISC-V pseudoinstructions.

Pseudoinstruction	Base Instruction(s)	Meaning
la rd, symbol	auipc rd, symbol[31:12] addi rd, rd, symbol[11:0]	Load address
l{b h w d} rd, symbol	auipc rd, symbol[31:12] l{b h w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rd)	Load global
s{b h w d} rd, symbol, rt	auipc rt, symbol[31:12] s{b h w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rt)	Store global
fl{w d} rd, symbol, rt	auipc rt, symbol[31:12] fl{w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rt)	Floating-point load global
fs{w d} rd, symbol, rt	auipc rt, symbol[31:12] fs{w d} rd, symbol[11:0](rt)	Floating-point store global
nop	addi x0, x0, 0	No operation
li rd, immediate	<i>Myriad sequences</i>	Load immediate
mv rd, rs	addi rd, rs, 0	Copy register
not rd, rs	xori rd, rs, -1	One's complement
neg rd, rs	sub rd, x0, rs	Two's complement
negw rd, rs	subw rd, x0, rs	Two's complement word
sext.w rd, rs	addiw rd, rs, 0	Sign extend word
seqz rd, rs	sltiu rd, rs, 1	Set if = zero
snez rd, rs	sltu rd, x0, rs	Set if $\neq$ zero
sltz rd, rs	slt rd, rs, x0	Set if < zero
sgtz rd, rs	slt rd, x0, rs	Set if > zero
fmv.s rd, rs	fsgnj.s rd, rs, rs	Copy single-precision register
fabs.s rd, rs	fsgnjx.s rd, rs, rs	Single-precision absolute value
fneg.s rd, rs	fsgnjn.s rd, rs, rs	Single-precision negate
fmv.d rd, rs	fsgnj.d rd, rs, rs	Copy double-precision register
fabs.d rd, rs	fsgnjx.d rd, rs, rs	Double-precision absolute value
fneg.d rd, rs	fsgnjn.d rd, rs, rs	Double-precision negate
beqz rs, offset	beq rs, x0, offset	Branch if = zero
bnez rs, offset	bne rs, x0, offset	Branch if $\neq$ zero
blez rs, offset	bge x0, rs, offset	Branch if $\leq$ zero
bgez rs, offset	bge rs, x0, offset	Branch if $\geq$ zero
bltz rs, offset	blt rs, x0, offset	Branch if < zero
bgtz rs, offset	blt x0, rs, offset	Branch if > zero
bgt rs, rt, offset	blt rt, rs, offset	Branch if >
ble rs, rt, offset	bge rt, rs, offset	Branch if $\leq$
bgtu rs, rt, offset	bltu rt, rs, offset	Branch if >, unsigned
bleu rs, rt, offset	bgeu rt, rs, offset	Branch if $\leq$ , unsigned
j offset	jal x0, offset	Jump
jal offset	jal x1, offset	Jump and link
jr rs	jalr x0, rs, 0	Jump register
jalr rs	jalr x1, rs, 0	Jump and link register
ret	jalr x0, x1, 0	Return from subroutine
call offset	auipc x6, offset[31:12] jalr x1, x6, offset[11:0]	Call far-away subroutine
tail offset	auipc x6, offset[31:12] jalr x0, x6, offset[11:0]	Tail call far-away subroutine
fence	fence iorw, iorw	Fence on all memory and I/O

Table 20.2: RISC-V pseudoinstructions.

Pseudoinstruction	Base Instruction	Meaning
rdinstret[h] rd	csrrs rd, instret[h], x0	Read instructions-retired counter
rdcycle[h] rd	csrrs rd, cycle[h], x0	Read cycle counter
rdtime[h] rd	csrrs rd, time[h], x0	Read real-time clock
csrr rd, csr	csrrs rd, csr, x0	Read CSR
csrw csr, rs	csrrw x0, csr, rs	Write CSR
csrs csr, rs	csrrs x0, csr, rs	Set bits in CSR
csrc csr, rs	csrrc x0, csr, rs	Clear bits in CSR
csrwi csr, imm	csrrwi x0, csr, imm	Write CSR, immediate
csrsi csr, imm	csrrsi x0, csr, imm	Set bits in CSR, immediate
csrci csr, imm	csrrci x0, csr, imm	Clear bits in CSR, immediate
fcsr rd	csrrs rd, fcsr, x0	Read FP control/status register
fcsr rd, rs	csrrw rd, fcsr, rs	Swap FP control/status register
fcsr rs	csrrw x0, fcsr, rs	Write FP control/status register
frmm rd	csrrs rd, frm, x0	Read FP rounding mode
frmm rd, rs	csrrw rd, frm, rs	Swap FP rounding mode
frmm rs	csrrw x0, frm, rs	Write FP rounding mode
frmmi rd, imm	csrrwi rd, frm, imm	Swap FP rounding mode, immediate
frmmi imm	csrrwi x0, frm, imm	Write FP rounding mode, immediate
frflags rd	csrrs rd, fflags, x0	Read FP exception flags
frflags rd, rs	csrrw rd, fflags, rs	Swap FP exception flags
frflags rs	csrrw x0, fflags, rs	Write FP exception flags
frflagsi rd, imm	csrrwi rd, fflags, imm	Swap FP exception flags, immediate
frflagsi imm	csrrwi x0, fflags, imm	Write FP exception flags, immediate

Table 20.3: Pseudoinstructions for accessing control and status registers.