

Simple MIPS Instructions

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The aim of these exercises is to become familiar with simple **MIPS** instructions : -

Addition, Subtraction, and the **Logic Operations.**

These exercises make use the **Mars** Simulator Program.

Exercise 1

Moving values into registers.

MIPS uses the **add** instruction with an immediate value to place constant values directly into registers.

This program will place the value **5** into register **\$t1**

```
addi $t1, $zero, 5
```

- Enter the above program into **mips** and assemble and run the program.

Notice how the **\$t1** register now has the value **5**.

\$t1	9	0x00000005
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Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	0
\$v0	2	0
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	0
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	0
\$t1	9	5
\$t2	10	0
\$t3	11	0
\$t4	12	0
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	0
\$s2	18	0
\$s3	19	0
\$s4	20	0
\$s5	21	0
\$s6	22	0
\$s7	23	0
\$t8	24	0
\$t9	25	0
\$k0	26	0
\$k1	27	0
\$gp	28	268468224
\$sp	29	2147479548
\$fp	30	0
\$ra	31	0
pc		4194308
hi		0
lo		0

Exercise 2

Write a program that will set the registers to the following state.

Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	1
\$v0	2	123
\$v1	3	321
\$a0	4	145
\$a1	5	234
\$a2	6	568
\$a3	7	124
\$t0	8	98
\$t1	9	41
\$t2	10	23
\$t3	11	98
\$t4	12	-512
\$t5	13	-256
\$t6	14	-12
\$t7	15	-12
\$s0	16	-19
\$s1	17	52
\$s2	18	99
\$s3	19	67
\$s4	20	45
\$s5	21	43
\$s6	22	65
\$s7	23	32
\$t8	24	32
\$t9	25	23
\$k0	26	0
\$k1	27	23
\$gp	28	31
\$sp	29	45
\$fp	30	5
\$ra	31	5

- Remember : “addi \$t1, \$zero, 5”
- Number sequence :

Exercise 3

The **Add** instruction can be used to

- add two registers and
- place the result in a third register.

```
# Setup Registers
addi $t1, $zero, 10
addi $t2, $zero, 20
addi $t3, $zero, 30

# Do some addition
add $s1, $t1, $t2
add $s2, $t2, $t3
add $s3, $t3, $s1
```

What registers changed after this code and to what values?

Register	Value

Exercise 4

Examine the following program : -

```
# Setup Registers
addi $t1, $zero, 20
addi $t2, $zero, 40
addi $t3, $zero, 15

# Do some addition
add ?
add ?
add ?
```

Complete this program such that it sets the registers to the following values.

Name	Number	Value
\$t1	9	20
\$t2	10	40
\$t3	11	15
\$t4	12	0
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	35
\$s2	18	30
\$s3	19	45

Exercise 5

```
# Setup Registers
addi $t1, $zero, 20
addi $t2, $zero, 40
addi $t3, $zero, 15

# Do some arithmetic
sub $s1, $t2, $t1
sub $s2, $t1, $t3
```

What does the above program do?

Exercise 6

Complete the following program such that it sets the registers to the following values.

```
# Setup Registers
```

```
addi $t1, $zero, 60
```

```
addi $t2, $zero, 30
```

```
addi $t3, $zero, 80
```

```
# Do some math
```

```
sub ?
```

```
sub ?
```

Name	Number	Value
\$t1	9	60
\$t2	10	30
\$t3	11	80
\$t4	12	0
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	20
\$s2	18	30

Exercise 7

Convert the following expression to a mips program

$$Y = (A - B) + (C + D)$$

Using the following values

A	=	35
B	=	20
C	=	18
D	=	7

Exercise 8

What is the result of **AND** the values **4321** and **3212** in decimal.

Exercise 9

What is the result of **OR** the values **1111** and **2122** in decimal.

Exercise 10

What is the result of **XOR** the values **5521** and **2341** in decimal.

Exercise 11

Do the **division of 132 by 6**.

- What are the quotient and remainder values ?

Do the **division of 4231 by 17**.

- What are the quotient and remainder values ?

Do the **Multiplication of 179 by 9** ?

What is the **square of 327** ?

- Which register shows you the answer ?

Exercise 12

Now write an assembly program that performs all the calculations in **Exercise 11** in the same program and has all the various results saved in **\$s** registers so that we can see them at the end.

Exercise 13

Write an assembly program that converts a weight of **11 st** and **12 lbs** into just pounds.

$$1 \text{ stone} = 14\text{lbs}$$

Exercise 14

Now write an assembly program that takes a value ,

Eg 100 as a Celsius temperature and converts it into the Fahrenheit equivalent.

The temperature conversion formula needed is :

$$\text{Fahrenheit} = ((\text{Celsius} * 9) / 5) + 32$$

Do the program for the value **100**

- What about if the value was **77** ?
- How would you deal with the remainder on division ?

Directed Study

- Complete the worksheet
- How do computers store negative numbers?

Look up **twos-complement** and test to see how this corresponds to numbers being held in registers in the **MARS** registers.

Try the following as a starting point : -

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9W67I2zzAfo>