

NAME

gbz80 — CPU opcode reference

DESCRIPTION

This is the list of opcodes supported by *rgbasm*(1), including a short description, the number of bytes needed to encode them and the number of CPU cycles at 1MHz (or 2MHz in GBC dual speed mode) needed to complete them.

Note: All arithmetic/logic operations that use register **A** as destination can omit the destination as it is assumed it's register **A**. The following two lines have the same effect:

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OR A, B
OR B
```

LEGEND

List of abbreviations used in this document.

- r8* Any of the 8-bit registers (**A**, **B**, **C**, **D**, **E**, **H**, **L**).
- r16* Any of the general-purpose 16-bit registers (**BC**, **DE**, **HL**).
- n8* 8-bit integer constant.
- n16* 16-bit integer constant.
- e8* 8-bit offset (**-128** to **127**).
- u3* 3-bit unsigned integer constant (**0** to **7**).
- cc* Condition codes:
 - Z:** Execute if Z is set.
 - NZ:** Execute if Z is not set.
 - C:** Execute if C is set.
 - NC:** Execute if C is not set.
- vec* One of the *RST* vectors (**0x00**, **0x08**, **0x10**, **0x18**, **0x20**, **0x28**, **0x30** and **0x38**).

INSTRUCTION OVERVIEW**8-bit Arithmetic and Logic Instructions**

```
“ADC A,r8”
“ADC A,[HL]”
“ADC A,n8”
“ADD A,r8”
“ADD A,[HL]”
“ADD A,n8”
“AND A,r8”
“AND A,[HL]”
“AND A,n8”
“CP A,r8”
“CP A,[HL]”
“CP A,n8”
“DEC r8”
“DEC [HL]”
“INC r8”
“INC [HL]”
“OR A,r8”
“OR A,[HL]”
“OR A,n8”
“SBC A,r8”
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“SBC A,[HL]”
 “SBC A,n8”
 “SUB A,r8”
 “SUB A,[HL]”
 “SUB A,n8”
 “XOR A,r8”
 “XOR A,[HL]”
 “XOR A,n8”

16-bit Arithmetic Instructions

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Bit Operations Instructions

“BIT u3,r8”
 “BIT u3,[HL]”
 “RES u3,r8”
 “RES u3,[HL]”
 “SET u3,r8”
 “SET u3,[HL]”
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Bit Shift Instructions

“RL r8”
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 “RR r8”
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 “RRC [HL]”
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 “SLA [HL]”
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 “SRA [HL]”
 “SRL r8”
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Load Instructions

“LD r8,r8”
 “LD r8,n8”
 “LD r16,n16”
 “LD [HL],r8”
 “LD [HL],n8”
 “LD r8,[HL]”
 “LD [r16],A”
 “LD [n16],A”
 “LD [\$FF00+n8],A”

“LD [\$FF00+C],A”
 “LD A,[r16]”
 “LD A,[n16]”
 “LD A,\$FF00+n8]”
 “LD A,\$FF00+C]”
 “LD [HL+],A”
 “LD [HL-],A”
 “LD A,[HL+]”
 “LD A,[HL-]”

Jumps and Subroutines

“CALL n16”
 “CALL cc,n16”
 “JP HL”
 “JP n16”
 “JP cc,n16”
 “JR e8”
 “JR cc,e8”
 “RET cc”
 “RET”
 “RETI”
 “RST vec”

Stack Operations Instructions

“ADD HL,SP”
 “ADD SP,e8”
 “DEC SP”
 “INC SP”
 “LD SP,n16”
 “LD [n16],SP”
 “LD HL,SP+e8”
 “LD SP,HL”
 “POP AF”
 “POP r16”
 “PUSH AF”
 “PUSH r16”

Miscellaneous Instructions

“CCF”
 “CPL”
 “DAA”
 “DI”
 “EI”
 “HALT”
 “NOP”
 “SCF”
 “STOP”

INSTRUCTION REFERENCE

ADC A,r8

Add the value in *r8* plus the carry flag to **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: Set if overflow from bit 3.
- **C**: Set if overflow from bit 7.

ADC A,[HL]

Add the value pointed by **HL** plus the carry flag to **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “ADC A,r8”

ADC A,n8

Add the value *n8* plus the carry flag to **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “ADC A,r8”

ADD A,r8

Add the value in *r8* to **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: Set if overflow from bit 3.
- **C**: Set if overflow from bit 7.

ADD A,[HL]

Add the value pointed by **HL** to **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “ADD A,r8”

ADD A,n8

Add the value *n8* to **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “ADD A,r8”

ADD HL,r16

Add the value in *r16* to **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **N**: 0
- **H**: Set if overflow from bit 11.
- **C**: Set if overflow from bit 15.

ADD HL,SP

Add the value in **SP** to **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “ADD HL,r16”

ADD SP,e8

Add the signed value *e8* to **SP**.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: 0
- **N**: 0
- **H**: Set if overflow from bit 3.
- **C**: Set if overflow from bit 7.

AND A,r8

Bitwise AND between the value in *r8* and **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 1
- **C**: 0

AND A,[HL]

Bitwise AND between the value pointed by **HL** and **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “AND A,r8”

AND A,n8

Bitwise AND between the value in *n8* and **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “AND A,r8”

BIT u3,r8

Test bit *u3* in register *r8*, set the zero flag if bit not set.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if the selected bit is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 1

BIT u3,[HL]

Test bit *u3* in the byte pointed by **HL**, set the zero flag if bit not set.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “BIT u3,r8”

CALL n16

Call address *n16*.

Cycles: 6

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

CALL cc,n16

Call address *n16* if condition *cc* is met.

Cycles: 6/3

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

CCF

Complement Carry Flag.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Complemented.

CP A,r8

Subtract the value in *r8* from **A** and set flags accordingly, but don't store the result.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 1
- **H**: Set if no borrow from bit 4.
- **C**: Set if no borrow (set if $r8 > \mathbf{A}$).

CP A,[HL]

Subtract the value pointed by **HL** from **A** and set flags accordingly, but don't store the result.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “CP A,r8”

CP A,n8

Subtract the value *n8* from **A** and set flags accordingly, but don't store the result.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “CP A,r8”

CPL

Complement accumulator ($\mathbf{A} = \sim \mathbf{A}$).

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **N**: 1
- **H**: 1

DAA

Decimal adjust register A to get a correct BCD representation after an arithmetic instruction.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set or reset depending on the operation.

DEC r8

Decrement value in register *r8* by 1.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 1
- **H**: Set if no borrow from bit 4.

DEC [HL]

Decrement the value pointed by **HL** by 1.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “DEC r8”

DEC r16

Decrement value in register *r16* by 1.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

DEC SP

Decrement value in register **SP** by 1.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

DI

Disable Interrupts.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

EI

Enable Interrupts.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

HALT

Enter CPU low power mode.

Cycles: -

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

INC r8

Increment value in register *r8* by 1.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: Set if overflow from bit 3.

INC [HL]

Increment the value pointed by **HL** by 1.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “INC r8”

INC r16

Increment value in register *r16* by 1.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

INC SP

Increment value in register **SP** by 1.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

JP n16

Absolute jump to address *n16*.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

JP cc,n16

Absolute jump to address *n16* if condition *cc* is met.

Cycles: 4/3

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

JP HL

Jump to address in **HL**, that is, load **PC** with value in register **HL**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

JR e8

Relative jump by adding *e8* to the current address.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

JR cc,e8

Relative jump by adding *e8* to the current address if condition *cc* is met.

Cycles: 3/2

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

LD r8,r8

Store value in register on the right into register on the left.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD r8,n8

Load value *n8* into register *r8*.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

LD r16,n16

Load value *n16* into register *r16*.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

LD [HL],r8

Store value in register *r8* into byte pointed by register **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD [HL],n8

Store value *n8* into byte pointed by register **HL**.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

LD r8,[HL]

Load value into register *r8* from byte pointed by register **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD [r16],A

Store value in register **A** into address pointed by register *r16*.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD [n16],A

Store value in register **A** into address *n16*.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

LD [\$FF00+n8],A

Store value in register **A** into high RAM or I/O registers.

The following synonym forces this encoding: **LDH [\$FF00+n8],A**

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

LD [\$FF00+C],A

Store value in register **A** into high RAM or I/O registers.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD A,[r16]

Load value in register **A** from address pointed by register *r16*.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD A,[n16]

Load value in register **A** from address *n16*.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

LD A,\$FF00+n8]

Load value in register **A** from high RAM or I/O registers.

The following synonym forces this encoding: **LDH A,\$FF00+n8]**

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

LD A,[\$FF00+C]

Load value in register **A** from high RAM or I/O registers.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD [HL+],A

Store value in register **A** into byte pointed by **HL** and post-increment **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD [HL-],A

Store value in register **A** into byte pointed by **HL** and post-decrement **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD A,[HL+]

Load value into register **A** from byte pointed by **HL** and post-increment **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD A,[HL-]

Load value into register **A** from byte pointed by **HL** and post-decrement **HL**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

LD SP,n16

Load value *n16* into register **SP**.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

LD [n16],SP

Store **SP** into addresses *n16* (LSB) and *n16* + 1 (MSB).

Cycles: 5

Bytes: 3

Flags: None affected.

LD HL,SP+e8

Add the signed value *e8* to **SP** and store the result in **HL**.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: 0
- **N**: 0
- **H**: Set if overflow from bit 3.
- **C**: Set if overflow from bit 7.

LD SP,HL

Load register **HL** into register **SP**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

NOP

No operation.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

OR A,r8

Bitwise OR between the value in *r8* and **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: 0

OR A,[HL]

Bitwise OR between the value pointed by **HL** and **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “OR A,r8”

OR A,n8

Bitwise OR between the value in *n8* and **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “OR A,r8”

POP AF

Pop register **AF** from the stack.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set from bit 7 of the popped low byte.
- **N**: Set from bit 6 of the popped low byte.

- **H**: Set from bit 5 of the popped low byte.
- **C**: Set from bit 4 of the popped low byte.

POP r16

Pop register *r16* from the stack.

Cycles: 3

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

PUSH AF

Push register **AF** into the stack. The low byte's bit 7 corresponds to the **Z** flag, its bit 6 to the **N** flag, bit 5 to the **H** flag, and bit 4 to the **C** flag. Bits 3 to 0 are reset.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

PUSH r16

Push register *r16* into the stack.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

RES u3,r8

Set bit *u3* in register *r8* to 0.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

RES u3,[HL]

Set bit *u3* in the byte pointed by **HL** to 0.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

RET

Return from subroutine.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

RET cc

Return from subroutine if condition *cc* is met.

Cycles: 5/2

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

RETI

Return from subroutine and enable interrupts.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

RL r8

Rotate register *r8* left through carry.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow C$$

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RL [HL]

Rotate value pointed by **HL** left through carry.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow C$$

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “RL r8”

RLA

Rotate register **A** left through carry.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow C$$

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: 0
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RLC r8

Rotate register *r8* left.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow [7]$$

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RLC [HL]

Rotate value pointed by **HL** left.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow [7]$$

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “RLC r8”

RLCA

Rotate register **A** left.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow [7]$$

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: 0
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RR r8

Rotate register *r8* right through carry.

$$C \rightarrow [7 \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow C$$

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RR [HL]

Rotate value pointed by **HL** right through carry.

$$C \rightarrow [7 \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow C$$

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “RR r8”

RRA

Rotate register **A** right through carry.

$$C \rightarrow [7 \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow C$$

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: 0
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RRC r8

Rotate register *r8* right.

$$[0] \rightarrow [7 \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow C$$

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RRC [HL]

Rotate value pointed by **HL** right.

[0] -> [7 -> 0] -> C

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “RRC r8”

RRCA

Rotate register **A** right.

[0] -> [7 -> 0] -> C

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: 0
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

RST vec

Call restart vector *vec*.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 1

Flags: None affected.

SBC A,r8

Subtract the value in *r8* and the carry flag from **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 1
- **H**: Set if no borrow from bit 4.
- **C**: Set if no borrow (set if *r8* > **A**).

SBC A,[HL]

Subtract the value pointed by **HL** and the carry flag from **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “SBC A,r8”

SBC A,n8

Subtract the value *n8* and the carry flag from **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “SBC A,r8”

SCF

Set Carry Flag.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: 1

SET u3,r8

Set bit *u3* in register *r8* to 1.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

SET u3,[HL]

Set bit *u3* in the byte pointed by **HL** to 1.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

SLA r8

Shift left arithmetic register *r8*.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow 0$$

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

SLA [HL]

Shift left arithmetic value pointed by **HL**.

$$C \leftarrow [7 \leftarrow 0] \leftarrow 0$$

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “SLA r8”

SRA r8

Shift right arithmetic register *r8*.

$$[7] \rightarrow [7 \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow C$$

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

SRA [HL]

Shift right arithmetic value pointed by **HL**.

[7] -> [7 -> 0] -> C

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See "SRA r8"

SRL r8

Shift right logic register *r8*.

0 -> [7 -> 0] -> C

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: Set according to result.

SRL [HL]

Shift right logic value pointed by **HL**.

0 -> [7 -> 0] -> C

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See "SRA r8"

STOP

Enter CPU very low power mode. Also used to switch between double and normal speed CPU modes in GBC.

Cycles: -

Bytes: 2

Flags: None affected.

SUB A,r8

Subtract the value in *r8* from **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 1
- **H**: Set if no borrow from bit 4.
- **C**: Set if no borrow (set if *r8* > **A**).

SUB A,[HL]

Subtract the value pointed by **HL** from **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “SUB A,r8”

SUB A,n8

Subtract the value *n8* from **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “SUB A,r8”

SWAP r8

Swap upper 4 bits in register *r8* and the lower ones.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: 0

SWAP [HL]

Swap upper 4 bits in the byte pointed by **HL** and the lower ones.

Cycles: 4

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “SWAP r8”

XOR A,r8

Bitwise XOR between the value in *r8* and **A**.

Cycles: 1

Bytes: 1

Flags:

- **Z**: Set if result is 0.
- **N**: 0
- **H**: 0
- **C**: 0

XOR A,[HL]

Bitwise XOR between the value pointed by **HL** and **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 1

Flags: See “XOR A,r8”

XOR A,n8

Bitwise XOR between the value in *n8* and **A**.

Cycles: 2

Bytes: 2

Flags: See “XOR A,r8”

SEE ALSO

rgbasm(1), *rgbds(7)*

HISTORY

rgbds was originally written by Carsten Sørensen as part of the ASMotor package, and was later packaged in RGBDS by Justin Lloyd. It is now maintained by a number of contributors at <https://github.com/rednex/rgbds>.