

# Computer Systems Fundamentals

## [load store no label.s](#)

simple example of load & storing a byte we normally use directives and labels lb & sb require address in a register, but mipsy will do this for us

```
main:
    li    $t0, 42
    sb    $t0, 0x10000000    # store 42 in byte at address 0x10000000

    lb    $a0, 0x10000000    # load $a0 from same address

    li    $v0, 1             # print $a0 which will nows contain 42
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'         # print '\n'
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    li    $v0, 0            # return 0
    jr    $ra
```

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```
main:
    li    $t0, 42
    sb    $t0, answer       # store 42 in byte at address labelled answer

    lb    $a0, answer       # load $a0 from same address

    li    $v0, 1            # print $a0 which will nows contain 42
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'         # print '\n'
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    li    $v0, 0            # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data
answer:
    .space 1                # set aside 1 byte and associate label answer with its address
```

## [load store.s](#)

simple example of storing & loading a byte

```
main:
    li    $t0, 42
    la    $t1, answer
    sb    $t0, 0($t1)       # store 42 in byte at address labelled answer

    lb    $a0, 0($t1)       # load $a0 from same address

    li    $v0, 1            # print $a0 which will nows contain 42
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'         # print '\n'
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    li    $v0, 0            # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data
answer:
    .space 1                # set aside 1 byte and associate label answer with its address
```

[sample\\_data.s](#)

An example data segment - load the program into mipsy\_web and check it out

```
.text
main:

    li    $t0, 42          #
    sw    $t0, _g          # g = 42;

    li    $v0, 1           # syscall 1: print int
    la    $t0, _g          #
    lw    $a0, ($t0)       #
    syscall                # printf("%d", _g);

    li    $v0, 0
    jr    $ra              # return 0;

.data

a:
    .word 16               # int a = 16;

b:
    .space 4               # int b;

c:
    .space 4               # char c[4];

d:
    .byte 1, 2, 3, 4       # char d[4] = {1, 2, 3, 4};

e:
    .byte 0:4              # char e[4] = {0, 0, 0, 0};

f:
    .asciiz "hello"        # char *f = "hello";
    .align 2

g:
    .space 4               # int g;
```

[global\\_increment.c](#)

```
#include <stdio.h>

int global_counter = 0;

int main(void) {
    // Increment the global counter.
    // The following is the same as global_counter = global_counter + 1 (generally)
    global_counter++;

    printf("%d", global_counter);
    putchar('\n');
}
```

[global\\_increment.s](#)

Increment a global variable.

```

    .text
main:
    # Locals:
    # - $t0: int *global counter

    # Method 1: Implicitly load from the
    # address of global counter.
    # mipsy will automatically load the address
    # into a register behind the scenes by
    # generating multiple real instructions.
    lw     $t1, global counter
    addi   $t1, $t1, 1
    sw     $t1, global counter    # global counter = global counter + 1;

    # Method 2: Explicitly load the address of
    # global counter into a register.
    li     $v0, 1                # syscall 1: print int
    la     $t0, global counter   #
    lw     $a0, ($t0)
    syscall                                # printf("%d", global counter);

    li     $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char
    li     $a0, '\n'
    syscall                                # putchar('\n');

    li     $v0, 0
    jr     $ra                    # return 0;

.data
global_counter:
    .word  0                    # int global counter = 0;

```

#### [add\\_memory.c](#)

```

#include <stdio.h>

int x, y, z;

int main(void) {
    x = 17;
    y = 25;
    z = x + y;
    printf("%d", z);
    printf("\n");
    return 0;
}

```

#### [add\\_memory.s](#)

Add 17 and 25 using variables stored in memory and print result.

```
main:
    li    $t0, 17
    la    $t1, x
    sw    $t0, ($t1)    # x = 17;

    li    $t0, 25
    la    $t1, y
    sw    $t0, ($t1)    # y = 25;

    la    $t0, x
    lw    $t1, ($t0)
    la    $t0, y
    lw    $t2, ($t0)
    add   $t3, $t1, $t2
    la    $t0, z
    sw    $t3, 0($t0)    # z = x + y;

    li    $v0, 1        # syscall 1: print int
    la    $t0, z
    lw    $a0, 0($t0)    #
    syscall                # printf("%d", z);

    li    $v0, 11       # syscall 11: print char
    li    $a0, '\n'     #
    syscall                # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 0
    jr    $ra            # return 0;

.data
x:
.space 4
y:
.space 4
z:
.space 4
```

[add\\_memory\\_initialized.s](#)

Add 17 and 25 using variables stored in memory and print result.

```
main:
    la    $t0, x
    lw    $t1, ($t0)
    la    $t0, y
    lw    $t2, ($t0)

    add   $t3, $t1, $t2
    la    $t0, z
    sw    $t3, 0($t0)    # z = x + y;

    li    $v0, 1        # syscall 1: print int
    la    $t0, z
    lw    $a0, 0($t0)    #
    syscall                # printf("%d", z);

    li    $v0, 11       # syscall 11: print char
    li    $a0, '\n'     #
    syscall                # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 0
    jr    $ra            # return 0;

.data
x:
.word 17
y:
.word 25
z:
.space 4
```

[add\\_memory\\_array.c](#)

```
#include <stdio.h>

int x[] = {17, 25, 0};
int main(void) {
    x[2] = x[0] + x[1];
    printf("%d", x[2]);
    printf("\n");
    return 0;
}
```

[add\\_memory\\_array.s](#)

Add 17 and 25 using variables stored in an array, and print the result.

```
main:
    la    $t0, x
    lw    $t1, 0($t0)
    lw    $t2, 4($t0)
    add   $t3, $t1, $t2    # x[2] = x[0] + x[1];
    sw    $t3, 8($t0)

    li    $v0, 1           # syscall 1: print_int
    lw    $a0, 8($t0)      #
    syscall                # printf("%d", x[2]);

    li    $v0, 11          # syscall 11: print_char
    li    $a0, '\n'        #
    syscall                # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 0
    jr    $ra              # return 0;

.data

x:       .word 17, 25, 0    # int x[] = {17, 25, 0}
```

[store\\_array\\_element.c](#)

Simple example of accessing an array element

```
#include <stdio.h>

int array[10];

int main(void) {
    array[3] = 17;
}
```

[store\\_array\\_element.s](#)

```
main:
    li    $t0, 3           # (3 *
    mul   $t0, $t0, 4       # sizeof(int)
    la    $t1, x            #
    add   $t2, $t1, $t0     # + x) = &x[3].

    li    $t3, 17
    sw    $t3, ($t2)        # x[3] = 17;

    .data
x:       .space 4*10        # int x[10];
```

[array\\_element\\_address.c](#)

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main(void) {
    double array[10];

    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
        printf("&array[%d]=%p\n", i, &array[i]);
    }

    printf("\nExample computation for address of array element\n");

    uintptr_t a = (uintptr_t)&array[0];
    printf("&array[0] + 7 * sizeof (double) = 0x%lx\n", a + 7 * sizeof (double));
    printf("&array[0] + 7 * %lx = 0x%lx\n", sizeof (double), a + 7 * sizeof (double));
    printf("0x%lx + 7 * %lx = 0x%lx\n", a, sizeof (double), a + 7 * sizeof (double));
    printf("&array[7] = %p\n", &array[7]);
}

```

### [print5.c](#)

print array of ints

```

#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[5] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243};

int main(void) {
    int i = 0;
    while (i < 5) {
        printf("%d\n", numbers[i]);
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}

```

### [print5.simple.c](#)

print array of ints

```

#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[5] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243};

int main(void) {
    int i = 0;
loop:
    if (i >= 5) goto end;
    printf("%d", numbers[i]);
    printf("%c", '\n');
    i++;
    goto loop;
end:
    return 0;
}

```

### [print5.s](#)

print array of ints i in \$t0

```

main:
    li    $t0, 0           # int i = 0;
loop:
    bge   $t0, 5, end      # if (i >= 5) goto end;
    la    $t1, numbers     # int j = numbers[i];
    mul   $t2, $t0, 4
    add   $t3, $t2, $t1
    lw    $a0, 0($t3)      # printf("%d", j);
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall
    li    $a0, '\n'        # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    addi  $t0, $t0, 1      # i++
    b     loop             # goto loop
end:

    li    $v0, 0           # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data

numbers:                # int numbers[10] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243 };
    .word 3, 9, 27, 81, 243

```

#### [change\\_array.c](#)

```

#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[5] = {3,1,4,1,5};

int main() {
    int i;
    i = 0;
    while (i < 5) {
        numbers[i] *= 42;
        i++;
    }
    i = 0;
    while (i < 5) {
        printf("%d\n", numbers[i]);
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}

```

#### [change\\_array.s](#)

i in register \$t0 registers \$t1..\$t3 used to hold calculations

```

main:
    li    $t0, 0           # i = 0

loop1:
    bge   $t0, 5, end1     # while (i < 5) {

    mul   $t1, $t0, 4       #
    la    $t2, numbers     # calculate &numbers[i]
    add   $t1, $t1, $t2     #
    lw    $t3, ($t1)        # load numbers[i] into $t3
    mul   $t3, $t3, 42      # numbers[i] *= 42;
    sw    $t3, ($t1)        # store scaled number in array

    addi  $t0, $t0, 1       # i++;
    b     loop1
end1:
    li    $t0, 0

loop2:
    bge   $t0, 5, done     # while (i < 5) {

    mul   $t1, $t0, 4       # printf("%d", numbers[i])
    la    $t2, numbers     # calculate &numbers[i]
    add   $t1, $t1, $t2     #
    lw    $a0, ($t1)        # load numbers[i] into $a0
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'         # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    addi  $t0, $t0, 1       # i++
    b     loop2
done:
    li    $v0, 0           # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data

numbers:
    .word 3,1,4,1,5        # int numbers[5] = {3,1,4,1,5};

string0:
    .asciiz "Enter a number: "

```

### [read10.c](#)

read 10 numbers into an array then print the 10 numbers

```

#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[10] = { 0 };

int main(void) {
    int i = 0;
    while (i < 10) {
        printf("Enter a number: ");
        scanf("%d", &numbers[i]);
        i++;
    }
    i = 0;
    while (i < 10) {
        printf("%d\n", numbers[i]);
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}

```

### [read10.s](#)

read 10 numbers into an array then print the 10 numbers

i in register \$t0 registers \$t1, \$t2 & \$t3 used to hold temporary results



```

main:

    li    $t0, 0          # i = 0
loop0:
    bge   $t0, 10, end0   # while (i < 10) {

    la    $a0, string0    # printf("Enter a number: ");
    li    $v0, 4
    syscall

    li    $v0, 5          # scanf("%d", &numbers[i]);
    syscall               #

    mul   $t1, $t0, 4     # calculate &numbers[i]
    la    $t2, numbers    #
    add   $t3, $t1, $t2   #
    sw    $v0, ($t3)      # store entered number in array

    addi  $t0, $t0, 1     # i++;
    b     loop0           # }
end0:

    li    $t0, 0          # i = 0
loop1:
    bge   $t0, 10, end1   # while (i < 10) {

    mul   $t1, $t0, 4     # calculate &numbers[i]
    la    $t2, numbers    #
    add   $t3, $t1, $t2   #
    lw    $a0, ($t3)      # load numbers[i] into $a0
    li    $v0, 1          # printf("%d", numbers[i])
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'       # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    addi  $t0, $t0, 1     # i++
    b     loop1           # }
end1:

    li    $v0, 0          # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data

numbers:                # int numbers[10];
    .word 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0

string0:
    .asciiz "Enter a number: "

```

[reverse10.c](#)

read 10 integers then print them in reverse order

```
#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[10];

int main() {
    int count;

    count = 0;
    while (count < 10) {
        printf("Enter a number: ");
        scanf("%d", &numbers[count]);
        count++;
    }

    printf("Reverse order:\n");
    count = 9;
    while (count >= 0) {
        printf("%d\n", numbers[count]);
        count--;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

### [reverse10.s](#)

read 10 integers then print them in reverse order

count in register \$t0 registers \$t1 and \$t2 used to hold temporary results

```

main:
    li    $t0, 0          # count = 0

read:
    bge   $t0, 10, print  # while (count < 10) {
    la    $a0, string0    # printf("Enter a number: ");
    li    $v0, 4
    syscall

    li    $v0, 5          # scanf("%d", &numbers[count]);
    syscall               #
    mul    $t1, $t0, 4     # calculate &numbers[count].
    la    $t2, numbers     #
    add    $t1, $t1, $t2   #
    sw     $v0, ($t1)      # store entered number in array

    addi   $t0, $t0, 1     # count++;
    b      read            # }

print:
    la    $a0, string1    # printf("Reverse order:\n");
    li    $v0, 4
    syscall

    li    $t0, 9          # count = 9;
next:
    blt    $t0, 0, end1   # while (count >= 0) {

    mul    $t1, $t0, 4     # printf("%d", numbers[count]).
    la    $t2, numbers     # calculate &numbers[count].
    add    $t1, $t1, $t2   #
    lw     $a0, ($t1)      # load numbers[count] into $a0
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'       # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    addi   $t0, $t0, -1    # count--;
    b      next            # }

end1:

    li    $v0, 0          # return 0
    jr     $ra

.data

numbers:                # int numbers[10];
    .word 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0

string0:
    .asciiz "Enter a number: "
string1:
    .asciiz "Reverse order:\n"

```

[2d\\_array\\_element\\_address.c](#)

```
#include <stdio.h>

#define X 3
#define Y 4

int main(void) {
    int array[X][Y];

    printf("sizeof array[2][3] = %lu\n", sizeof array[2][3]);
    printf("sizeof array[1] = %lu\n", sizeof array[1]);
    printf("sizeof array = %lu\n", sizeof array);

    printf("&array=%p\n", &array);
    for (int x = 0; x < X; x++) {
        printf("&array[%d]=%p\n", x, &array[x]);
        for (int y = 0; y < Y; y++) {
            printf("&array[%d][%d]=%p\n", x, y, &array[x][y]);
        }
    }
}
```

[print2d.c](#)

print a 2d array

```
#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[3][5] = {{3,9,27,81,243},{4,16,64,256,1024},{5,25,125,625,3125}};

int main(void) {
    int i = 0;
    while (i < 3) {
        int j = 0;
        while (j < 5) {
            printf("%d", numbers[i][j]);
            printf("%c", ' ');
            j++;
        }
        printf("%c", '\n');
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

[print2d.simple.c](#)

print a 2d array

```
#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[3][5] = {{3,9,27,81,243},{4,16,64,256,1024},{5,25,125,625,3125}};

int main(void) {
    int i = 0;
loop1:
    if (i >= 3) goto end1;
    int j = 0;
loop2:
    if (j >= 5) goto end2;
    printf("%d", numbers[i][j]);
    printf("%c", ' ');
    j++;
    goto loop2;
end2:
    printf("%c", '\n');
    i++;
    goto loop1;
end1:
    return 0;
}
```

[print2d.s](#)

print a 2d array i in \$t0 j in \$t1 \$t2..\$t6 used for calculations

```

main:
    li    $t0, 0           # int i = 0;
loop1:
    bge   $t0, 3, end1     # if (i >= 3) goto end1;
    li    $t1, 0           # int j = 0;
loop2:
    bge   $t1, 5, end2     # if (j >= 5) goto end2;
    la    $t2, numbers     # printf("%d", numbers[i][j]);
    mul   $t3, $t0, 20
    add   $t4, $t3, $t2
    mul   $t5, $t1, 4
    add   $t6, $t5, $t4
    lw    $a0, 0($t6)
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall
    li    $a0, ' '         # printf("%c", ' ');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall
    addi  $t1, $t1, 1      # j++;
    b     loop2            # goto loop2;
end2:
    li    $a0, '\n'        # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    addi  $t0, $t0, 1      # i++
    b     loop1            # goto loop1
end1:

    li    $v0, 0           # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data
# int numbers[3][5] = {{3,9,27,81,243},{4,16,64,256,1024},{5,25,125,625,3125}};
numbers:
    .word 3, 9, 27, 81, 243, 4, 16, 64, 256, 1024, 5, 25, 125, 625, 3125

```

[flag.c](#)

Print a 2D array of characters.

```

#include <stdio.h>
#define N ROWS 6
#define N COLS 12

char flag[N ROWS][N COLS] = {
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'},
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'},
    {'.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.'},
    {'.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.'},
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'},
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'}
};

int main(void) {
    for (int row = 0; row < N ROWS; row++) {
        for (int col = 0; col < N COLS; col++) {
            printf("%c", flag[row][col]);
        }
        printf("\n");
    }
}

```

[flag.simple.c](#)

Print a 2D array of characters.

```

#include <stdio.h>
#define N_ROWS 6
#define N_COLS 12

char flag[N_ROWS][N_COLS] = {
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'},
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'},
    {'.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.'},
    {'.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.'},
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'},
    {'#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'}
};

int main(void) {
row_loop_init:
    int row = 0;
row_loop_cond:
    if (row >= N_ROWS) goto row_loop_end;
row_loop_body:
col_loop_init:
    int col = 0;
col_loop_cond:
    if (col >= N_COLS) goto col_loop_end;
col_loop_body:
    printf("%c", flag[row][col]); // &flag[row][col] = flag + offset * sizeof(element)
                                //                               = flag + (row * N_COLS + col) * sizeof(element)
col_loop_step:
    col++;
    goto col_loop_cond;
col_loop_end:
    printf("\n");
row_loop_step:
    row++;
    goto row_loop_cond;
row_loop_end:
    return 0;
}

```

[flag.s](#)

```
N_ROWS = 6
N_COLS = 12

main:

    # Locals:
    #     - $t0: int row
    #     - $t1: int col
    #     - $t2: temporary result

main_row_loop_init:
    li    $t0, 0                # int row = 0;

main_row_loop_cond:
    bge   $t0, N_ROWS, main_row_loop_end    # if (row >= N_ROWS) goto
main_row_loop_end;

main_row_loop_body:

main_col_loop_init:
    li    $t1, 0                # int col = 0;

main_col_loop_cond:
    bge   $t1, N_COLS, main_col_loop_end    # if (col >= N_COLS) goto
main_col_loop_end;

main_col_loop_body:
    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char

    mul   $t2, $t0, N_COLS      # (row * N_COLS
    add   $t2, $t2, $t1         # + col)
    lb    $a0, flag($t2)        #
    syscall                      # printf("%c", flag[row][col]);

main_col_loop_step:
    addi   $t1, $t1, 1          # col++;
    j      main_col_loop_cond

main_col_loop_end:
    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char
    li    $a0, '\n'             #
    syscall                      # putchar('\n');

main_row_loop_step:
    addi   $t0, $t0, 1          # i++;
    j      main_row_loop_cond

main_row_loop_end:
    li    $v0, 0                # return 0;
    jr    $ra

.data
flag:

    .byte '#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#',
    .byte '#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#',
    .byte '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.',
    .byte '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.', '.',
    .byte '#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#',
    .byte '#', '#', '#', '#', '#', '.', '.', '#', '#', '#', '#', '#'
```

[unalign.c](#)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>

int main(void) {
    char bytes[32];
    int *i = (int *)&bytes[1];
    // illegal store - not aligned on a 4-byte boundary
    *i = 42;
    printf("%d\n", *i);
}
```

### [unalign.s](#)

```
main:
    li    $t0, 1

    sb    $t0, v1 # will succeed because no alignment needed
    sh    $t0, v1 # will fail because v1 is not 2-byte aligned
    sw    $t0, v1 # will fail because v1 is not 4-byte aligned

    sh    $t0, v2 # will succeed because v2 is 2-byte aligned
    sw    $t0, v2 # will fail because v2 is not 4-byte aligned

    sh    $t0, v3 # will succeed because v3 is 2-byte aligned
    sw    $t0, v3 # will fail because v3 is not 4-byte aligned

    sh    $t0, v4 # will succeed because v4 is 2-byte aligned
    sw    $t0, v4 # will succeed because v4 is 4-byte aligned

    sw    $t0, v5 # will succeed because v5 is 4-byte aligned

    sw    $t0, v6 # will succeed because v6 is 4-byte aligned

    li    $v0, 0
    jr    $ra # return

.data
    # data will be aligned on a 4-byte boundary
    # most likely on at least a 128-byte boundary
    # but safer to just add a .align directive
    .align 2
    .space 1
v1: .space 1
v2: .space 4
v3: .space 2
v4: .space 4
    .space 1
    .align 2 # ensure e is on a 4 (2**2) byte boundary
v5: .space 4
    .space 1
v6: .word 0 # word directive aligns on 4 byte boundary
```

### [student.c](#)

access fields of a simple struct



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>

struct details {
    uint16_t postcode;
    uint8_t wam;
    uint32_t zid;
};

struct details student;

int main(void) {
    student.postcode = 2052;
    student.wam = 95;
    student.zid = 5123456;

    printf("%d", student.zid);
    putchar(' ');
    printf("%d", student.wam);
    putchar(' ');
    printf("%d", student.postcode);
    putchar('\n');
    return 0;
}
```

[student.unpadded.s](#)

`struct details { uint16_t postcode; uint8_t wam; uint32_t zid; };`

offset in bytes of fields of struct details

```

OFFSET POSTCODE  = 0
OFFSET WAM = 2
OFFSET ZID       = 3

main:

    ### Save values into struct ###

    la  $t0, student          # student.postcode = 2052;
    addi $t1, $t0, OFFSET_POSTCODE
    li  $t2, 2052
    sh  $t2, ($t1)

    la  $t0, student          # student.wam = 95;
    addi $t1, $t0, OFFSET_WAM
    li  $t2, 95
    sb  $t2, ($t1)

    la  $t0, student          # student.zid = 5123456
    addi $t1, $t0, OFFSET_ZID
    li  $t2, 5123456
    sw  $t2, ($t1)

    ### Load values from struct ###

    la  $t0, student          # printf("%d", student.zid);
    add $t1, $t0, OFFSET_ZID
    lw  $a0, ($t1)
    li  $v0, 1
    syscall

    li  $a0, ' '              # putchar(' ');
    li  $v0, 11
    syscall

    la  $t0, student          # printf("%d", student.wam);
    addi $a0, $t0, OFFSET_WAM
    li  $v0, 1
    syscall

    li  $a0, ' '              # putchar(' ');
    li  $v0, 11
    syscall

    la  $t0, student          # printf("%d", student.postcode);
    addi $t1, $t0, OFFSET_POSTCODE
    lhu  $a0, ($t1)
    li  $v0, 1
    syscall

    li  $a0, '\n'             # putchar('\n');
    li  $v0, 11
    syscall

    li  $v0, 0                # return 0
    jr  $ra

.data

student:          # struct details student;
    .space 7

```

### student.s

access fields of a simple struct

struct details { uint16\_t postcode; // Size = 2 bytes, Offset = 0 bytes uint8\_t wam; // Size = 1 byte, Offset = 2 bytes // Hidden 1 byte of "padding" // Because the Offset of each field must be a multiple of the Size of that field uint32\_t zid; // Size = 4 bytes, Offset = 4 bytes }; // Total Size = 8 // The Total Size must be a multiple of the Size of the largest field in the struct // More padding will be added to the end of the struct to make this true // (not needed in this example).

offset in bytes of fields of struct details

```

OFFSET POSTCODE    = 0
OFFSET WAM          = 2
OFFSET ZID          = 4 # unused padding byte before zid field to ensure it is on a 4-byte boundary

```

[main:](#)

```

### Save values into struct ###

    la    $t0, student          # student.postcode = 2052;
    addi  $t1, $t0, OFFSET_POSTCODE
    li    $t2, 2052
    sh    $t2, ($t1)

    la    $t0, student          # student.wam = 95;
    addi  $t1, $t0, OFFSET_WAM
    li    $t2, 95
    sb    $t2, ($t1)

    la    $t0, student          # student.zid = 5123456
    addi  $t1, $t0, OFFSET_ZID
    li    $t2, 5123456
    sw    $t2, ($t1)

### Load values from struct ###

    la    $t0, student          # printf("%d", student.zid);
    addi  $t1, $t0, OFFSET_ZID
    lw    $a0, ($t1)
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, ' '              # putchar(' ');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    la    $t0, student          # printf("%d", student.wam);
    addi  $t1, $t0, OFFSET_WAM
    lbu   $a0, ($t1)
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, ' '              # putchar(' ');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    la    $t0, student          # printf("%d", student.postcode);
    addi  $t1, $t0, OFFSET_POSTCODE
    lhu   $a0, ($t1)
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'             # putchar('\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    li    $v0, 0                # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data

student:          # struct details student;
    .space 8      # 1 unused padding byte included to ensure zid field aligned on 4-byte
boundary

```

[struct.c](#)

An example program making use of structs.

```

#include <stdio.h>

struct student {
    int zid;
    char first[20];
    char last[20];
    int program;
    char alias[10];
};

struct student abiram = {
    .zid = 5308310,
    .first = "Abiram",
    .last = "Nadarajah",
    .program = 3778,
    .alias = "abiramn"
};

struct student xavier = {
    .zid = 5417087,
    .first = "Xavier",
    .last = "Cooney",
    .program = 3778,
    .alias = "xavc"
};

int main(void) {
    struct student *selection = &abiram;

    printf("zID: %d\n", selection->zid);
    printf("First name: %s\n", selection->first);
    printf("Last name: %s\n", selection->last);
    printf("Program: %d\n", selection->program);
    printf("Alias: %s\n", selection->alias);

    // What's the size of each field of this struct,
    // as well as the overall struct?

    printf("sizeof(zid) = %zu\n", sizeof(selection->zid));
    printf("sizeof(first) = %zu\n", sizeof(selection->first));
    printf("sizeof(last) = %zu\n", sizeof(selection->last));
    printf("sizeof(program) = %zu\n", sizeof(selection->program));
    printf("sizeof(alias) = %zu\n", sizeof(selection->alias));

    // What's the size of the overall struct?
    printf("sizeof(struct student) = %zu\n", sizeof(struct student));

    // We can see that two extra padding bytes were added to the end
    // of the struct, to ensure that the next struct in memory is aligned
    // to a word boundary.

    return 0;
}

```

## [struct.s](#)

A demo of accessing fields of structs in MIPS.

Offsets for fields in *structstudent*

```

STUDENT_OFFSET_ZID = 0
STUDENT_OFFSET_FIRST = 4
STUDENT_OFFSET_LAST = 20 + STUDENT_OFFSET_FIRST
STUDENT_OFFSET_PROGRAM = 20 + STUDENT_OFFSET_LAST
STUDENT_OFFSET_ALIAS = 4 + STUDENT_OFFSET_PROGRAM

# sizeof the struct - note that there are 2 padding.
# bytes at the end of the struct.
sizeof_struct_student = 10 + STUDENT_OFFSET_ALIAS + 2

```

```

.text
main:
    # Locals:
    # - $t0: struct student *selection

    la    $t0, xavier

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, zid_msg         #
    syscall                                # printf("zID: z");

    li    $v0, 1                # syscall 1: print_int
    lw    $a0, STUDENT_OFFSET_ZID($t0)    #
    syscall                                # printf("%d", selection->zid);

    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print_char
    li    $a0, '\n'            #
    syscall                      # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, first_name_msg  #
    syscall                      # printf("First name: ");

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, STUDENT_OFFSET_FIRST($t0)  #
    syscall                      # printf("%s", selection->first);

    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print_char
    li    $a0, '\n'            #
    syscall                      # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, last_name_msg   #
    syscall                      # printf("Last name: ");

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, STUDENT_OFFSET_LAST($t0)    #
    syscall                      # printf("%s", selection->last);

    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print_char
    li    $a0, '\n'            #
    syscall                      # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, program_msg     #
    syscall                      # printf("Program: ");

    li    $v0, 1                # syscall 1: print_int
    lw    $a0, STUDENT_OFFSET_PROGRAM($t0) #
    syscall                      # printf("%d", selection->program);

    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print_char
    li    $a0, '\n'            #
    syscall                      # putchar('\n');

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, alias_msg       #
    syscall                      # printf("Alias: ");

    li    $v0, 4                # syscall 4: print_string
    la    $a0, STUDENT_OFFSET_ALIAS($t0)   #

```

`syscall`

```
li    $v0, 11
li    $a0, '\n'
syscall
```

```
li    $v0, 0
jr    $ra
.data
abiram:
.word 5308310
.asciiz "Abiram"
.space 20 - 7
.asciiz "Nadarajah"
.space 20 - 10
.word 3778
.asciiz "abiramn"
.space 10 - 8
.align 2
```

```
xavier:
.word 5417087
.asciiz "Xavier"
.space 20 - 7
.asciiz "Cooney"
.space 20 - 7
.word 3778
.asciiz "xavc"
.space 10 - 5
```

```
zid_msg:
.asciiz "zID: z"
```

```
first_name_msg:
.asciiz "First name: "
```

```
last_name_msg:
.asciiz "Last name: "
```

```
program_msg:
.asciiz "Program: "
```

```
alias_msg:
.asciiz "Alias: "
```

[struct address.c](#)

```
# printf("%s", selection->alias);
```

```
# syscall 11: print char
#
# putchar('\n');
```

```
#
# return 0;
```

```
# struct student abiram {
#   int zid;
#   char first[20];

#   char last[20];

#   int program;
#   char alias[10];

# }
```

```
# struct student xavier {
#   int zid;
#   char first[20];

#   char last[20];

#   int program;
#   char alias[10];

# }
```

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>

struct s1 {
    uint32_t i0;
    uint32_t i1;
    uint32_t i2;
    uint32_t i3;
};

struct s2 {
    uint8_t b;
    uint64_t l;
};

int main(void) {
    struct s1 v1;

    printf("&v1 = %p\n", &v1);
    printf("&(v1.i0) = %p\n", &(v1.i0));
    printf("&(v1.i1) = %p\n", &(v1.i1));
    printf("&(v1.i2) = %p\n", &(v1.i2));
    printf("&(v1.i3) = %p\n", &(v1.i3));

    printf("\nThis shows struct padding\n");

    struct s2 v2;
    printf("&v2 = %p\n", &v2);
    printf("&(v2.b) = %p\n", &(v2.b));
    printf("&(v2.l) = %p\n", &(v2.l));
}

```

#### [struct\\_packing.c](#)

```

$ gcc struct_packing.c -o struct_packing
$ ./struct_packing
sizeof v1 = 32
sizeof v2 = 20
alignment rules mean struct s1 is padded
&(v1.c1) = 0x7ffdfc02f560
&(v1.l1) = 0x7ffdfc02f564
&(v1.c2) = 0x7ffdfc02f568
&(v1.l2) = 0x7ffdfc02f56c
struct s2 is not padded
&(v2.c1) = 0x7ffdfc02f5a0
&(v2.l1) = 0x7ffdfc02f5a4
$

```

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void print_bytes(void *v, int n);

struct s1 {
    uint8_t    c1;
    uint32_t    l1;
    uint8_t    c2;
    uint32_t    l2;
    uint8_t    c3;
    uint32_t    l3;
    uint8_t    c4;
    uint32_t    l4;
};

struct s2 {
    uint32_t    l1;
    uint32_t    l2;
    uint32_t    l3;
    uint32_t    l4;
    uint8_t    c1;
    uint8_t    c2;
    uint8_t    c3;
    uint8_t    c4;
};

int main(void) {
    struct s1 v1;
    struct s2 v2;

    printf("sizeof v1 = %lu\n", sizeof v1);
    printf("sizeof v2 = %lu\n", sizeof v2);

    printf("alignment rules mean struct s1 is padded\n");

    printf("&(v1.c1) = %p\n", &(v1.c1));
    printf("&(v1.l1) = %p\n", &(v1.l1));
    printf("&(v1.c2) = %p\n", &(v1.c2));
    printf("&(v1.l2) = %p\n", &(v1.l2));

    printf("struct s2 is not padded\n");

    printf("&(v1.l1) = %p\n", &(v1.l1));
    printf("&(v1.l2) = %p\n", &(v1.l2));
    printf("&(v1.l4) = %p\n", &(v1.l4));
    printf("&(v2.c1) = %p\n", &(v2.c1));
    printf("&(v2.c2) = %p\n", &(v2.c2));
}

```

## pointer.c

demonstrate implementaion of pointers by an address

```

#include <stdio.h>

int answer = 42;

int main(void) {
    int i;
    int *p;

    p = &answer;
    i = *p;
    // prints 42
    printf("%d\n", i);
    *p = 27;
    // prints 27
    printf("%d\n", answer);

    return 0;
}

```



[pointer.s](#)

demonstrate implementation of pointers by an address `p` in register `$t0` `i` in register `$t1` `$t2` used for temporary value

```
main:
    la    $t0, answer # p = &answer;

    lw    $t1, ($t0)  # i = *p;

    move  $a0, $t1    # printf("%d\n", i);
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'   # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    li    $t2, 27     # *p = 27;
    sw    $t2, ($t0)  #

    lw    $a0, answer # printf("%d\n", answer);
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

    li    $a0, '\n'   # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    li    $v0, 0      # return 0 from function main
    jr    $ra         #

.data
answer:
    .word 42          # int answer = 42;
```

[pointer5.c](#)

print an array using pointers

```
#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[5] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243};

int main(void) {
    int *p = &numbers[0];
    int *q = &numbers[4];
    while (p <= q) {
        printf("%d\n", *p);
        p++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

[pointer5.simple.c](#)

print an array using pointers

```
#include <stdio.h>

int numbers[5] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243};

int main(void) {
    int *p = &numbers[0];
    int *q = &numbers[4];
loop:
    if (p > q) goto end;
    int j = *p;
    printf("%d", j);
    printf("%c", '\n');
    p++;
    goto loop;
end:
    return 0;
}
```

[pointer5.s](#)

print an array using pointers p in \$t0, q in \$t1

```
main:
    la    $t0, numbers    # int *p = &numbers[0];
    la    $t0, numbers    # int *q = &numbers[4];
    addi  $t1, $t0, 16    #
loop:
    bgt   $t0, $t1, end    # if (p > q) goto end;
    lw    $a0, 0($t0)      # int j = *p;
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall
    li    $a0, '\n'        # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall

    addi  $t0, $t0, 4      # p++
    b     loop             # goto loop
end:

    li    $v0, 0           # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data

numbers:                # int numbers[10] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243 };
    .word 3, 9, 27, 81, 243
```

[pointer5.faster.s](#)

print 5 numbers - this is closer to the code a compiler might produce p in \$t0 q in \$t1

```
main:
    la    $t0, numbers    # int *p = &numbers[0];
    addi  $t1, $t0, 16    # int *q = &numbers[4];
loop:
    lw    $a0, ($t0)      # printf("%d", *p);
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall
    li    $a0, '\n'        # printf("%c", '\n');
    li    $v0, 11
    syscall
    addi  $t0, $t0, 4      # p++
    ble   $t0, $t1, loop  # if (p <= q) goto loop;

    li    $v0, 0           # return 0
    jr    $ra

.data

numbers:                # int numbers[10] = { 3, 9, 27, 81, 243 };
    .word 3, 9, 27, 81, 243
```

[emulating\\_array\\_indexing.c](#)

non-portable code illustrating array indexing this relies on pointers being implemented by memory addresses which most compiled C implementations do

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>

uint32_t array[10] = {10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19};

int main(void) {
    // use a typecast to assign array address to integer variable i
    // better than uint64_t would be uintptr_t – an unsigned integer type the same size as a pointer.
    uint64_t i = (uint64_t)&array;

    i += 7 * sizeof array[0]; // add 28 to i

    // use a typecast to assign i to a pointer variable
    uint32_t *y = (uint32_t *)i;

    printf("*y = %d\n", *y); // prints 17

    // compare to pointer arithmetic where adding 1
    // moves to the next array element
    uint32_t *z = array;
    z += 7;
    printf("*z = %d\n", *z); // prints 17
}

```

### [emulating\\_2d\\_array\\_indexing.c](#)

non-portable code illustrating 2d-array indexing this relies on pointers being implemented by memory addresses which most compiled C implementations do

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>

uint32_t array[3][4] = {{10, 11, 12, 13}, {14, 15, 16, 17}, {18, 19, 20, 21}};

int main(void) {
    // use a typecast to assign array address to integer variable i
    // `uintptr_t': unsigned integer type the same size as a pointer.

    int index1 = 1;
    int index2 = 2;
    printf("array[%d][%d] = %d\n", index1, index2, array[index1][index2]); // prints 16

    uint64_t i = (uint64_t)&array;
    // i += (index1 * 4 * 4) + index2 * 4
    i += (index1 * sizeof array[0]) + index2 * sizeof array[0][0];

    // use a typecast to assign i to a pointer variable
    uint32_t *y = (uint32_t *)i;

    printf("*y = %d\n", *y); // prints 16
}

```

### [emulating\\_struct\\_addressing.c](#)

non-portable code illustrating access to a struct field this relies on pointers being implemented by memory addresses which most compiled C implementations do

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdint.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

struct simple {
    char c;
    uint32_t i;
    double d;
};

struct simple s = { 'Z', 42, 3.14159 };

int main(void) {
    // use a typedef to assign struct address to integer variable i
    // `uintptr_t`: unsigned integer type the same size as a pointer.
    uintptr_t i = (uintptr_t)&s;

    // 3 bytes of padding – likely but not guaranteed
    i += (sizeof s.c) + 3;
    // use a typedef to assign i to a pointer variable
    uint32_t *y = (uint32_t *)i;

    printf("*y = %d\n", *y); // prints 42
}

```

### [sizeof.c](#)

Print the sizes of various types.

Compile with the -m32 flag to target a 32-bit platform.

```

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {

    printf("sizeof(char) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(char));
    printf("sizeof(int) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(int));
    printf("sizeof(float) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(float));
    printf("sizeof(double) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(double));
    // All pointers are just memory addresses – which
    // are all the same size:
    printf("sizeof(char *) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(char *));
    printf("sizeof(int *) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(int *));
    printf("sizeof(void *) is %zu bytes\n", sizeof(void *));

}

```

### [array.c](#)

Print an array of characters.

```

#include <stdio.h>

#define ARRAY_LEN 5

int main(void) {
    char array[ARRAY_LEN] = {'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o'};

    for (int i = 0; i < ARRAY_LEN; i++) {
        printf("array[%d] = %c = %c = %c, ", i, array[i], i[array], *(array + i));
        printf("&array[%d] = %p = %p\n", i, &array[i], array + i);
        // &array[i] = array + 1 * i – for an array of characters
        // &array[i] = array + sizeof(element) * i – in general

        // Because addition is commutative, the following are equivalent:
        // array[i] = *(array + i);
        // i[array] = *(i + array)
    }
    return 0;
}

// What if we had
// int array[ARRAY_LEN] = {3, 1, 4, 1, 5}; ?
// &array[i] = array + 4 * i for an array of integers

```

[array\\_bytes.s](#)

Print each element from an array of bytes.

```

ARRAY_LEN = 5

        .text
main:
        # Locals:
        # - $t0: int i
        # - $t1: temporary result

array_loop_init:
        li      $t0, 0                # int i = 0;
array_loop_cond:
        bge     $t0, ARRAY_LEN, array_loop_end # while (i < ARRAY_LEN) {
array_loop_body:
        li      $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char

        # Method 1: performing the arithmetic
        # from scratch.
        # la     $t1, array            # (array
        # add    $t1, $t1, $t0         # + i)
        # lb     $a0, ($t1)            #
        # syscall                       # putchar(*(array + i));

        # Method 2: Letting mipsy generate the
        # appropriate instructions from this
        # pseudoinstruction.
        lb      $a0, array($t0)       # (array + i)
        syscall                       # putchar(*(array + i));

        li      $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char
        li      $a0, '\n'             #
        syscall                       # putchar('\n');

array_loop_step:
        addi    $t0, $t0, 1           # i++;
        b       array_loop_cond       # }
array_loop_end:
        li      $v0, 0
        jr      $ra                   # return 0;

        .data
array:
        .byte   'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o' # char array[ARRAY_LEN] = {'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o'};

```

[array\\_words.s](#)

Print each element from an array of integers.

```

ARRAY_LEN = 5

        .text
main:
    # Locals:
    # - $t0: int i
    # - $t1: temporary result

array_loop_init:
    li    $t0, 0                # int i = 0;
array_loop_cond:
    bge   $t0, ARRAY_LEN, array_loop_end # while (i < ARRAY_LEN) {
array_loop_body:
    li    $v0, 1                # syscall 1: print int
    mul   $t1, $t0, 4           # (4 * i
    lw    $a0, array($t1)       # + array)
    syscall                                # printf("%d", *(array + 4 * i));

    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char
    li    $a0, '\n'             #
    syscall                       # putchar('\n');

array_loop_step:
    addi   $t0, $t0, 1          # i++;
    b      array_loop_cond      # }
array_loop_end:
    li    $v0, 0
    jr     $ra                  # return 0;

        .data
array:
    .word  3, 1, 4, 1, 5        # int array[ARRAY_LEN] = {3, 1, 4, 1, 5};

```

### [scan\\_and\\_print.c](#)

Scan in 10 integers into an array and then print them out

```

#include <stdio.h>
#define N_ELEMENTS 10

int main(void) {
    int i;
    int numbers[N_ELEMENTS] = {0};

read_loop_init:
    i = 0;
read_loop_cond:
    if (i >= N_ELEMENTS) goto read_loop_end;
read_loop_body:
    scanf("%d", &numbers[i]); // &numbers[i] == &numbers[0] + i * sizeof(int)
                               // = numbers + i * 4
read_loop_step:
    i++;
    goto read_loop_cond;

read_loop_end:

print_loop_init:
    i = 0;
print_loop_cond:
    if (i >= N_ELEMENTS) goto print_loop_end;
print_loop_body:
    printf("%d", numbers[i]); // &numbers[i] == &numbers[0] + i * sizeof(int)
                              // = numbers + i * 4
    putchar(' ');
print_loop_step:
    i++;
    goto print_loop_cond;
print_loop_end:
    return 0;
}

```

### [scan\\_and\\_print.s](#)

Scan in 10 integers into an array and then print them.

```

N_ELEMENTS = 10

main:
    # Locals:
    # $t0: int i
    # $t1: intermediate result

read_loop_init:
    li    $t0, 0                # i = 0;

read_loop_cond:
    bge   $t0, N_ELEMENTS, read_loop_end #

    li    $v0, 5                # syscall 5: read int
    syscall
    mul   $t1, $t0, 4           # (4 * i
    add   $t1, $t1, numbers     # + numbers)
    sw    $v0, ($t1)            # scanf("%d", &numbers[i]);

read_loop_step:
    addi   $t0, $t0, 1          # i++;
    b      read_loop_cond

read_loop_end:

print_loop_init:
    li    $t0, 0                # int i = 0;

print_loop_cond:
    bge   $t0, N_ELEMENTS, print_loop_end

print_loop_body:

    li    $v0, 1                # syscall 1: print int
    mul   $t1, $t0, 4           # (4 * i
    lw    $a0, numbers($t1)     # + numbers)
    syscall
    # printf("%d", numbers[i]);

    li    $v0, 11               # syscall 11: print char
    li    $a0, ' '              #
    syscall
    # putchar(' ');

print_loop_step:
    addi   $t0, $t0, 1          # i++;
    b      print_loop_cond

print_loop_end:

    li    $v0, 0
    jr    $ra                    # return 0;

.data
numbers:
    .word 0:N_ELEMENTS

```

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