

Aarch64 most common instructions

General conventions

Containers: x (64-bit register), w (32-bit register) if {S} is present flags will be affected
 rd, rn, rm: w or x registers; op2: register, modified register or #immn (n-bit immediate)
 n (of n-bit immediate values) depends heavily on context. Out of bond values will generate a syntax error

	Instruction	Mnemonic	Syntax	Explanation	Flags
Arithmetic operations	Addition	ADD{S}	ADD{S} rd, rn, op2	rd = rn + op2	{Yes}
	Subtraction	SUB{S}	SUB{S} rd, rn, op2	rd = rn - op2	{Yes}
	Negation	NEG{S}	NEG{S} rd, op2	rd = -op2	{Yes}
	with carry	NGC{S}	NGC{S} rd, rm	rd = -rm - ~C	{Yes}
	Unsigned multiply	MUL	MUL rd, rn, rm	rd = rn x rm	
	Unsigned multiply long	UMULL	UMULL xd, wn, wm	xd = wn x wm	
	Unsigned multiply high	UMULH	UMULH xd, xn, xm	xd = <127:64> of xn x xm	
	Signed multiply long	SMULL	SMULL xd, xn, xm	xd = wn x wn (signed operands)	
	Signed multiply high	SMULH	SMULH xd, wn, wm	xd = <127:64> of xn x xm (signed operands)	
	Multiply and add	MADD	MADD rd, rn, rm, ra	rd = ra + (rn x rm)	
	Multiply and sub	MSUB	MSUB rd, rn, rm, ra	rd = ra - (rn x rm)	
	Multiply and neg	MNEG	MNEG rd, rn, rm	rd = -(rn x rm)	
	Unsigned multiply and add long	UMADDL	UMADDL xd, wn, wm, xa	xd = xa + (wm x wn)	
	Unsigned multiply and sub long	UMSUBL	UMSUBL xd, wn, wm, xa	xd = xa - (wm x wn)	
	Unsigned multiply and neg long	UMNEGL	UMNEGL xd, wn, wn	xd = -(wm x wn)	
	Signed multiply and add long	SMADDL	SMADDL xd, wn, wm, xa	xd = xa + (wm x wn)	
	Signed multiply and sub long	SMSUBL	SMSUBL xd, wn, wm, xa	xd = xa - (wm x wn)	
	Signed multiply and neg long	SMNEGL	SMNEGL xd, wn, wm	xd = - (wm x wn)	
	Unsigned divide	UDIV	UDIV rd, rn, rm	rd = rn / rm	
	Signed divide	SDIV	SDIV rd, rn, rm	rd = rn / rm	
Note: the remainder may be computed using the MSUB instruction as numerator - (quotient x denominator)					
Bitwise logical operations	bitwise AND	AND	AND{S} rd, rn, op2	rd = rn & op2	{Yes}
	Bitwise AND with neg	BIC	BIC{S} rd, rn, op2	rd = rn & ~op2	{Yes}
	Bitwise OR	ORR	ORR rd, rn, op2	rd = rn op2	
	Bitwise OR with neg	ORN	ORN rd, rn, op2	rd = rn ~op2	
	Bitwise XOR	EOR	EOR rd, rn, op2	rd = rn @ op2	
	Bitwise XOR with neg	EON	EON rd, rn, op2	rd = rn @ ~op2	
	Logical shift left	LSL	LSL rd, rn, op2	Logical shift left (stuffing zeros enter from right)	
	Logical shift right	LSR	LSR rd, rn, rm	Logical shift right (stuffing zeros enter from left)	
	Arithmetic shift right	ASR	ASR rd, rn, op2	Arithmetic shift right (preserves sign)	
	Rotate right	ROR	ROR rd, rn, op2	Rotate right (carry not involved)	
	Move to register	MOV	MOV rd, op2	rd = op2	
	Move to register, neg	MVN	MVN rd, op2	rd = ~op2	
Bitfield ops	Test bits	TST	TST rn, op2	rn & op2	Yes
	Bitfield insert	BFI	BFI rd, rn, #lsb, #width	Moves a bitfield of #width bits starting at source bit 0 to destination starting at bit #lsb	
	Bitfield extract	UBFX	UBFX rd, rn, #lsb, #width	Moves a bitfield of #width bits starting at source bit #lsb to destination starting at bit 0; clears all other rd bits	
Bit/Byte ops	Signed bitfield extract	SBFX	SBFX rd, rn, #lsb, #width	Moves a bitfield of #width bits starting at source bit #lsb to destination starting at bit 0; sign extends the result	
	Count leading sign	CLS	CLS rd, rm	Count leading sign bits	
	Count leading sign	CLZ	CLZ rd, rm	Count leading zero bits	
	Reverse bit	RBIT	RBIT rd, rm	Reverse bit order	
	Reverse byte	REV	REV rd, rm	Reverse byte order	
	Reverse byte in half word	REV16	REV16 rd, rm	Reverse byte order on each half word	
	Reverse byte in word	REV32	REV32 xd, xm	Reverse byte order on each word	
Load and Store operations	Store single register	STR	rt, [addr]	Mem[addr] = rt	
	Subtype byte	STRB	wt, [addr]	Byte[addr] = wt<7:0>	
	Subtype half word	STRH	wt, [addr]	HalfWord[addr] = wt<15:0>	
	unscaled address offset	STUR	STUR rt, [addr]	Mem[addr] = rt (unscaled address)	
	Store register pair	STP	STP rt, rm, [addr]	Stores rt and rm in consecutive addresses starting at addr	
	Load single register	LDR	LDR rt, [addr]	rt = Mem[addr]	
	Sub-type byte	LDRB	LDRB wt, [addr]	wt = Byte[addr] (only 32-byte containers)	
	Sub-type signed byte	LDRSB	LDRSB rt, [addr]	rt = Sbyte[addr] (signed byte)	
	Sub-type half word	LDRH	LDRH wt, [addr]	wt = HalfWord[addr] (only 32-byte containers)	
	Sub-type signed half word	LDRSH	LDRSH rt, [addr]	rt = Mem[addr] (load one half word, signed)	
	Sub-type signed word	LDRSW	LDRSW xt, [addr]	xt = Sword[addr] (signed word, only for 64-byte containers)	
	unscaled address offset	LDUR	LDUR rt, [addr]	rt = Mem[addr] (unscaled address)	
	Load register pair	LDP	LDP rt, rm, [addr]	Loads rt and rm from consecutive addresses starting at addr	

	Instruction	Mnemonic	Syntax	Explanation	Flags
Branch operations	Branch	B	B target	Jump to target	
	Branch and link	BL	BL target	Writes the addr of the next instr to X30 and jumps to target	
	Return	RET	RET {Xm}	Returns from sub-routine jumping to register Xm (default: X30)	
	Conditional branch	B.CC	B.cc target	If (cc) jump to target	
	Compare and branch if zero	CBZ	CBZ rd, target	If (rd=0) jump to target	
	Compare and branch if not zero	CBNZ	CBNZ rd, target	If (rd≠0) jump to target	
Conditional operations	Conditional select	CSEL	CSEL rd, rn, rm, cc	If (cc) rd = rn else rd = rm	
	with increment,	CSINC	CSINC rd, rn, rm, cc	If (cc) rd = rn else rd = rm+1	
	with negate,	CSNEG	CSNEG rd, rn, rm, cc	If (cc) rd = rn else rd = -rm	
	with invert	CSINV	CSINV rd, rn, rm, cc	If (cc) rd = rn else rd = ~rm	
	Conditional set	CSET	CSET rd, cc	If (cc) rd = 1 else rd = 0	
	with mask,	CSETM	CSETM rd, cc	If (cc) rd = -1 else rd = 0	
	with increment,	CINC	CINC rd, rn, cc	If (cc) rd = rn+1 else rd = rn	
	with negate,	CNEG	CNEG rd, rn, cc	If (cc) rd = -rn else rd = rn	
	with invert	CINV	CINV rd, rn, cc	If (cc) rd = ~rn else rd = rn	
Compare ops	Compare	CMP	CMP rd, op2	Rd - op2	Yes
	with negative	CMN	CMN rd, op2	rd - (-op2)	Yes
	Conditional compare	CCMP	CCMP rd, rn, #imm4, cc	If (cc) NZCV = CMP(rd,rn) else NZCV = #imm4	Yes
	with negative	CCMN	CCMP rd, rn, #imm4, cc	If (cc) NZCV = CMP(rd,-rn) else NZCV = #imm4	Yes
	Note: for these instructions rn can also be an #imm5 (5-bit unsigned immediate value 0..31)				

Aarch64 accessory information

Condition codes (magnitude of operands)			Condition codes (direct flags)	
LO	Lower, unsigned	C = 0	EQ Equal	Z = 1
HI	Higher, unsigned	C = 1 and Z = 0	NE Not equal	Z = 0
LS	Lower or same, unsigned	C = 0 or Z = 1	MI Negative	N = 1
HS	Higher or same, unsigned	C = 1	PL Positive or zero	N = 0
LT	Less than, signed	N != V	VS Overflow	V = 1
GT	Greater than, signed	Z = 0 and N = V	VC No overflow	V = 0
LE	Less than or equal, signed	Z = 1 and N != V	CS Carry	C = 0
GE	Greater than or equal, signed	N = V	CC No carry	C = 1

Sub types (suffix of some instructions)			Flags set to 1 when:	
B/SB	byte/signed byte	8 bits	N	the result of the last operation was negative, cleared to 0 otherwise
H/SH	half word/signed half word	16 bits	Z	the result of the last operation was zero, cleared to 0 otherwise
W/SW	word/signed word	32 bits	C	the last operation resulted in a carry, cleared to 0 otherwise
			V	the last operation caused overflow, cleared to 0 otherwise

Sizes, in Assembly and C			Addressing modes (base: register; offset: register or immediate)	
8	byte	char	[base]	MEM[base]
16	Half word	short int	[base, offset]	MEM[base+offset]
32	word	int	[base, offset]!	MEM[base+offset] then base = base + offset (pre indexed)
64	double word	long int	[base], offset	MEM[base] then base = base + offset (post indexed)
128	quad word	-		

Calling convention (register use)		Op2 processing (applied to Op2 before anything else)	
Params:	X0..X7; Result: X0	LSL LSR ASR	#imm6
Reserved:	X8, X16..X18 (do not use these)	SXTW / SXTB	{#imm2} Sign extension/Sign extension after LSL #imm2
Unprotected:	X9..X15 (callee may corrupt)		
Protected:	X19..X28 (callee must preserve)		

Aarch64 floating point instructions

General concepts and conventions

Registers: Di (double precision: 64-bit, c:double), Si (single precision: 32-bit, c:float); i:0..31

Hi (half precision: 16-bit, c:non standard); i:0..31

Call convention: Reg0..Reg7 - arguments, Reg0 - result; Reg={D,S,H}; Reg8..Reg15 should be preserved by callee

Containers: r = {D,S,H}; #immn = n-bit constant

Instruction	Mnemonic	Syntax	Explanation	Flags
Addition	FADD	FADD rd, rn, rm	rd = rn + rm	Yes
Subtraction	FSUB	FSUB rd, rn, rm	rd = rn - rm	Yes
Multiply	FMUL	FMUL rd, rn, rm	rd = rn x rm	Yes
Multiply and neg	FNMUL	FNMUL rd, rn, rm	rd = - (rn x rm)	Yes
Multiply and add	FMADD	FMADD rd, rn, rm, ra	rd = ra + (rn x rm)	Yes
Multiply and add neg	FNMADD	FNMADD rd, rn, rm, ra	rd = - (ra + (rn x rm))	Yes
Multiply and sub	FMSUB	FMSUB rd, rn, rm, ra	rd = ra - (rn x rm)	Yes
Multiply and sub neg	FNMSUB	FNMSUB rd, rn, rm, ra	rd = (rn x rm) - ra	Yes
Divide	FDIV	FDIV rd, rn, rm	rd = rn / rm	Yes
Negation	FNEG	FNEG rd, rn	rd = - rn	Yes
Absolute value	FABS	FABS rd, rn	rd = rn	Yes
Maximum	FMAX	FMAX rd, rn, rm	rd = max(rn,rm)	Yes
Minimum	FMIN	FMIN rd, rn, rm	rd = min(rn,rm)	Yes
Square root	FSQRT	FSQRT rd, rn	rd = sqrt(rn)	Yes
Round to integer	FRINTI	FRINTI rd, rn	rd = round(rn)	Yes
Note: r={D,S,H} but operands and result must be of same type				

Data moves	Between registers of equal size	FMOV	FMOV rd, rn	rd = rn (rd={D,S,H,X,W}; rn={D,S,H,X,W,WZR,XZR})	
	Conditional select	FCSEL	FCSEL rd, rn, rm, cc	If (cc) rd = rn else rd = rm	
Notes: Data movement with decreasing precision may lead to rounding or NaN Data movement to/from memory is still valid (e.g. LDR/STR, etc.)					

Comparisons	Compare	FCMP	FCMP rn, rm	NZCV = compare(rn,rm)	Yes
	with zero	FCMP	FCMP rd, #0.0	NZCV = compare(rn,0)	Yes
	Conditional compare	FCCMP	FCCMP rn, rm, #imm4, cc	If (cc) NZCV = compare(rn,rm) else NZCV = #imm4	Yes
	Notes: comparison of FP numbers can lead to wrong conclusions on very similar operands due to rounding errors In general flag behaviour is similar to the integer compares. See table below.				

Format conversion	Between FP registers	FCVT	FCVT rd, rn	rd = rn (r={D,S,H})	
	signed integer to FP	SCVTF	SCVTF rd, rn	rd = rn (rd={D,S,H}, rn={X,W})	
	unsigned integer to FP	UCVTF	UCVTF rd, rn	rd = rn (rd={D,S,H}, rn={X,W})	
	FP to signed integer	FCVTNS	FCVTNS rd, rn	rd = rn (rd={X,W}, rn={D,S,H})	
	FP to unsigned integer	FCVTNU	FCVTNU rd, rn	rd = rn (rd={X,W}, rn={D,S,H})	
Note: conversion to integer can lead to an exception if the destination container does not have the required size					

Flag behaviour on integer and floating point compares

cc	CMP Meaning	FCMP meaning
EQ	Equal	Equal
NE	Not equal	Not equal (or unordered)
HI	Unsigned greater than	Greater than (or unordered)
HS	Unsigned greater than or equal to	Greater than or equal to (or unordered)
LO	Unsigned less than	Less than
LS	Unsigned less than or equal to	Less than or equal to
GT	Signed greater than	Greater than
GE	Signed greater than or equal to	Greater than or equal to
LT	Signed less than	Less than (or unordered)
LE	Signed less than or equal to	Less than or equal to (or unordered)
VS	Signed overflow	Unordered (at least one argument was NaN)

Aarch64 Advanced SIMD instructions (NEON)

General concepts and conventions

Vector Registers: V_i (128-bit – quadword), $i:0..31$; each reg can be structured in lanes of {8,16,32,64} bits {B,H,S,D}

Syntax for structure: $V_i.k$, i =reg number, n =nbr of lanes, k =lane type {B,H,S,D}; $nk=\{8B,16B,4H,8H,2S,4S,1D,2D\}$

Syntax for register element: $V_i.k[n]$, i =register number, k =lane type {B,H,S,D}, n =element number

Examples: $V3.4S = V3$ structured in 4 lanes of 32 bits; $V5.B[0]$ = rightmost byte of $V5$ (least significant byte)

Scalar Registers (Scl): Q_i (128-bit), D_i (64-bit), S_i (32-bit), H_i (16-bit), B_i (8-bit); Shared with FP registers

Instructions: not necessarily new mnemonics but new syntax and behaviour

Can operate vectors, scalars and in some cases scalars with vectors

Examples: $ADD\ W0,W1,W2$ (signed integer addition); $ADD\ V0.4S,V1.4S,V2.4S$ (signed 4-component integer vector addition)

The following tables contain only new instructions. Most of the classic instructions, for both integer and FP data, are still valid but adopt the new syntax and behaviour.

Variants can have different suffixes – {L,W,N,P} (long, wide, narrow, pairing)

Prefix F for floating point data types; prefixes {SQ,UQ} for integer signed/unsigned saturating arithmetic

	Instruction	Mnemonic	Syntax	Explanation	Flags
Data movement	Duplicate vector element	DUP	$DUP\ Vd.nk, Vs.k[m]$	Replicate single Vs element to all elements of Vd	
	scalar element	DUP	$DUP\ Vd.nk, Scl$	Replicate scalar Scl to all elements of Vd ($S=lsbits$ of {X,W})	
	Insert vector element	INS	$INS\ Vd.k[i], Vs.r[j]$	Copy element $r[j]$ of Vs to element $k[i]$ of Vd	
	scalar element	INS	$INS\ Vd.k[i], Scl$	Copy scalar Scl to element $k[i]$ of Vd ($S=lsbits$ of {X,W})	
	Extract narrow	XTN	$XTN\ Vd.nk, Vs.mj$	$dim(j) = 2 \times dim(k)$	
	for higher lanes	XTN2	$XTN2\ Vd.nk, Vs.mj$	The same, but using the most significant lanes of Vd	
	Note: 64-bit scalar can only be used with 64-bit lanes, 32-bit scalar can be used with 32/16/8-bit lanes				
Vector arithmetic and logic	Signed move to scalar register	SMOV	$SMOV\ Rd, Vn.T[i]$	Copy vector element to register, sign extended ($dim\ R > dim\ T$)	
	Unsigned	UMOV	$UMOV\ Rd, Vn.T[i]$	Copy vector element to register, unsigned ($dim\ R \geq dim\ T$)	
	Signed long (add as example)	SADDL	$SADDL\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	$dim(k) = 2 \times dim(j,p)$ (ex: $SADDL\ V0.2D,V1.2S,V2.2S$)	
	for higher lanes	SADDL2	$SADDL2\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	The same, but using the most significant lanes of Vs and Vr	
	for wide operands	SADDW	$SADDW\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	$dim(k,j) = 2 \times dim(p)$	
	wide operands, higher lanes	SADDW2	$SADDW2\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	The same, but using the most significant lanes of Vr	
	Narrow operands (sub as example)	SUBHN	$SUBHN\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	$dim(j,p) = 2 \times dim(k)$	
	Paired (ADD as example)	ADDP	$ADDP\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	Operate adjacent register pairs	
	Shift element left	SHL	$SHL\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, \#imm$	Shift left each vector element $\#imm$ bits	
	Signed shift right	SSHR	$SSHR\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, \#imm$	Shift right each vector element, sign extended, $\#imm$ bits	
Reduction	unsigned	USHR	$USHR\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, \#imm$	The same but unsigned	
	Bit select	BSL	$BSL\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj, Vr.np$	Select bits from Vs or Vr depending on bits of Vd (1: Vs , 0: Vr)	
	Reverse elements	REV64	$REV64\ Vd.nk, Vs.nj$	Reverse elements in 64-bit doublewords	
	Other arithmetic instructions: ABS, MUL, NEG, SMAX, SUB, UMIN, FADD, etc. adopt a vector syntax and behaviour				
	Other logic instructions: AND, BIC, EOR, NOT, ORN, ORR, REV32, REV16, etc. do the same				
	Format conversions from/to floating point adopt a vector behaviour: UCVTF, SCVTF, FCVTNU, FCVTNS (ex: $UCVTF\ V2.4S, V1.4S$)				
	Add across lanes	ADDV	$ADDV\ Scl, Vs.nk$	Add all elements of Vs into a scalar (ex: $ADDV\ S0, V2.4S$)	
	Signed long add across lanes	SADDLV	$SADDLV\ Scl, Vs.nk$	The same but $dim(Scl)$ larger than k (ex: $SADDLV\ D0, V2.4S$)	
	Signed maximum across lanes	SMAV	$SMAV\ Scl, Vs.nk$	Maximum goes to scalar Scl	
	minimum	SMINV	$SMINV\ Scl, Vs.nk$	Minimum goes to scalar Scl	
Compare	Notes: prefix {U,S,F} defines data type (ex: $FMINV$ finds the minimum element of an FP vector) FP add across lanes is illegal				
	Compare bitwise vector	CMCC	$CMCC\ Vd.nk, Vn.nj, Vm.np$	if true $Vd.k[i]=-1$ (all ones) else $Vd.k[i]=0$	
	with zero	CMCC	$CMCC\ Vd.nk, Vn.nj, \#0$	Compare vector with zero $cc=default\ conditions+\{LE,LT\}$	
	FP compare vector	FCMCC	$FCMCC\ Vd.nk, Vn.nj, Vm.np$	The same, but for vectors of FP elements	
	Notes: default conditions $cc=\{EQ,GE,GT,HS,HI\}$ conditions {LS,LE,LO,LT} are achieved by reversing the operands and using the opposite condition Flags NZCV are not affected				