# AssEmbly Reference Manual

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## Introduction

AssEmbly is a custom processor architecture and assembly language implemented in .NET. It is designed to simplify the process of learning and writing in assembly language, while still following the same basic concepts and constraints seen in mainstream architectures such as x86.

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## Technical Information

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| --- | --- |
| Bits | 64 (registers, operands & addresses) |
| Word Size | 8 bytes (64-bits – called a Quad Word for consistency with x86) |
| Minimum Addressable Unit | Byte (8-bits) |
| Register Count | 16 (10 general purpose) |
| Architecture Type | Register–memory |
| Endianness | Little |
| Signed Number Representation | Two’s Complement |
| Branching | Condition code (status register) |
| Opcode Size | 1 byte (base instruction set) / 3 bytes (extension sets) |
| Operand Size | 1 byte (registers, pointers) / 8 bytes (literals, addresses/labels) |
| Instruction Size | 1 byte – 17 bytes (current) / unlimited (theoretical) |
| Instruction Count | 329 opcodes (114 unique operations) |
| Text Encoding | UTF-8 |

## Basic Syntax

### Mnemonics and Operands

All AssEmbly instructions are written on a separate line, starting with a **mnemonic** — a human-readable code that tells the **assembler** exactly what operation needs to be performed — followed by any **operands** for the instruction. The assembler is the program that takes human-readable assembly programs and turns them into raw numbers — bytes — that can be read by the processor. This process is called **assembly** or **assembling**. An operand can be thought of as a parameter to a function in a high-level language — data that is given to the processor to read and/or operate on. Mnemonics are separated from operands with spaces, and operands are separated with commas.

A simple example:

MVQ rg0, 10

MVQ rg0, 10  
 ↑ ↑ ↑  
 Mnemonic Operand Operand  
|----------Instruction----------|

You can have as many spaces as you like between commas and mnemonics/operands. There do not need to be any around commas, but there must be at least one between mnemonics and operands. Mnemonics and operands **cannot** be separated with commas.

Some instructions, like CFL, don’t need any operands. In these cases, simply have the mnemonic alone on the line.

A line may end in a trailing comma as long as there is at least one operand on the line. Mnemonics taking no operands cannot be followed by a trailing comma.

Mnemonics correspond to and are assembled down to **opcodes**, numbers (in the case of AssEmbly either 1 or 3 bytes) that the processor reads to know what instruction to perform and what types of operands it needs to read. If an opcode starts with a 0xFF byte, the opcode will be 3 bytes long, with the second byte corresponding to an *extension set* number, and the third byte corresponding to an *instruction code*. If an opcode starts with any other byte, that single byte will be the entire opcode, with the byte corresponding to an *instruction code* in the base instruction set (extension set number 0x00). This means that opcodes in the form 0xFF, 0x00, 0x?? and opcodes in the form 0x?? refer to the same instruction, though this **only** works when the extension set is 0x00. A full list of extension sets and instruction codes can be found toward the end of the document.

The processor will begin executing from the **first line** in the file downwards, unless a label with the name ENTRY is defined, in which case the processor will start there (more in the following section on labels). Programs should *always* end in a HLT instruction (with no operands) to stop the processor.

For the most part, if an instruction modifies or stores a value somewhere, the **first** operand will be used as the **destination**.

### Comments

If you wish to insert text into a program without it being considered by the assembler as part of the program, you can use a semicolon (;). Any character after a semicolon will be ignored by the assembler until the end of the line. You can have a line be entirely a comment without any instruction if you wish.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 10 ; This text will be ignored  
; As will this text  
DCR rg0 ; "DCR rg0" will assemble as normal  
; Another Comment ; HLT - This is still a comment and will not insert an HLT instruction!

### Labels

Labels mark a position in the file for the program to move (**jump**) to or reference from elsewhere. They can be given any name you like (names are **case-sensitive**), but they must be unique per program and can only contain letters, numbers, and underscores. Label names **may not** begin with a number, however. A definition for a label is marked by beginning a line with a colon — the entire rest of the line will then be read as the new label name (excluding comments).

For example:

:AREA\_1 ; This comment is valid and will not be read as part of the label  
MVQ rg0, 10 ; :AREA\_1 now points here  
  
:Area2  
DCR rg0 ; :Area2 now points here  
HLT

Labels will point to whatever is directly below them, **unless that is a comment**. Comments are not assembled and so cannot be pointed to.

For example:

:NOT\_COMMENT ; Comment 1  
; Comment 2  
; Comment 3  
WCC 10

Here :NOT\_COMMENT will point to WCC, as it is the first thing that will be assembled after the definition was written.

Labels can also be placed at the very end of a file to point to the first byte in memory that is not part of the program.

For example, in the small file:

MVQ rg0, 5  
MVQ rg1, 10  
:END

:END here will have a value of 20 when referenced, as each instruction prior will take up 10 bytes (more on this later).

The label name :ENTRY (case insensitive) has a special meaning. If it is present in a file, execution will start from wherever the entry label points to. If it is not present, execution will start from the first line.

For example, in this small file:

MVQ rg0, 5  
:ENTRY  
MVQ rg1, 10  
HLT

When this program is executed, only the MVQ rg1, 10 line will run. MVQ rg0, 5 will never be executed.

## Operand Types

There are four different types of operand that an instruction may be able to take. If an instruction supports multiple different possible combinations of operands, the assembler will automatically determine their types, you do not need to change the mnemonic at all.

### Register

Registers are named, single-number stores separate from the processor’s main memory. Most operations must be performed on them, instead of in locations in memory. They are referenced by using their name (currently always 3 letters — the first one being r, for example rg0). They always occupy a single byte of memory after being assembled.

The first operand in this instruction is a register:

MVQ rg0, 10

### Literal

Literals are numeric values that are directly written in an assembly file and **do not change**. Their value is read literally instead of being subject to special consideration, hence the name. They always occupy 8 bytes (64-bits) of memory after assembly and can be written in base 10 (denary/decimal), base 2 (binary), or base 16 (hexadecimal). To write in binary, place the characters 0b before the number, or to write in hexadecimal, place 0x before the number.

The second operand in each of these instructions is a literal that will each represent the same number (ten) after assembly:

MVQ rg0, 10 ; Base 10  
MVQ rg0, 0b1010 ; Base 2  
MVQ rg0, 0xA ; Base 16

When writing literals, you can place an underscore anywhere within the number value to separate the digits. Underscores cannot be the first character of the number.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 1\_000\_000 ; This is valid, will be assembled as 1000000 (0xF4240)  
MVQ rg0, 0x\_10\_0\_\_000\_0 ; This is still valid, underscores don't have to be uniform  
  
MVQ rg0, \_1\_000\_000 ; This is not valid  
MVQ rg0, 0\_x1\_000\_000 ; This is also not valid  
MVQ rg0, \_0x1\_000\_000 ; Nor is this

Literals can be made negative by putting a - sign directly before them (e.g. -42), or be made floating point by putting a . anywhere in them (e.g. 2.3). Floating point literals can also be made negative (e.g. -2.3). This is explained in more detail in the relevant sections on negative and floating point values.

#### Character Literal

In addition to numeric literals, literal values can also be written in the form of **character literals**. A character literal is a single character, surrounded by single quotes ('), that is assembled into the numeric representation of the contained character in UTF-8.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 'a' ; Move the value 97 to rg0  
MVQ rg0, '\*' ; Move the value 42 to rg0  
MVQ rg0, 'ト' ; Move the value 8946659 to rg0  
; 8946659 is the numeric value of the UTF-8 bytes 0xE3, 0x83, 0x88 that represent 'ト' when interpreted as little endian  
  
MVQ rg0, 'aa' ; Results in an error (character literals can only contain a single character)  
MVQ rg0, '' ; Results in an error (character literals cannot be empty)

Character literals can also contain escape sequences, assuming the escape sequence is the only thing in the literal and there is only one.

For example:

MVQ rg0, '\'' ; Move the value 39 to rg0  
MVQ rg0, '\\' ; Move the value 92 to rg0  
MVQ rg0, '\n' ; Move the value 10 to rg0  
MVQ rg0, '\uABCD' ; Move the value 9285610 to rg0  
; 9285610 is the numeric value of the UTF-8 bytes 0xEA, 0xAF, 0x8D that represent the unicode codepoint U+ABCD when interpreted as little endian  
  
MVQ rg0, '\r\n' ; Results in an error (character literals can only contain a single character)  
MVQ rg0, '\' ; Results in an error (the only closing quote of the literal has been escaped)

Escape sequences are explained in more detail and listed in full in a dedicated section toward the end of the document.

### Address

An address is a value that is interpreted as a location to be read from, written to, or jumped to in a processor’s main memory. In AssEmbly, an address is always specified by using a **label**. Once a label has been defined as seen earlier, they can be referenced by prefixing their name with a colon (:), similarly to how they are defined — only now it will be in the place of an operand. Like literals, they always occupy 8 bytes (64-bits) of memory after assembly.

Consider the following example:

:AREA\_1  
WCC 10  
MVQ rg0, :AREA\_1 ; Move whatever is stored at :AREA\_1 in memory to rg0

Here :AREA\_1 will point to the **first byte** (i.e. the start of the **opcode**) of the **directly subsequent assemble-able line** — in this case WCC. The second operand to MVQ will become the address that WCC is stored at in memory, 0 if it is the first instruction in the file. As MVQ is the instruction to move to a destination from a source, rg0 will contain 0xCD after the instruction executes (0xCD being the opcode for WCC <Literal>).

Another example, assuming these are the very first lines in a file:

WCC 10  
:AREA\_1  
WCX :AREA\_1 ; Will write "CA" to the console

:AREA\_1 will have a value of 9, as WCC 10 occupies 9 bytes. Note that CA (the opcode for WCX <Address>) will be written to the console, *not* 9, as the processor is accessing the byte in memory *at* the address — *not* the address itself.

If, when writing an instruction, you want to utilise the address *itself*, rather than the value in memory at that address, insert an ampersand (&) after the colon, before the label name.

For example:

:AREA\_1  
WCC 10  
MVQ rg0, :&AREA\_1 ; Move 0 (the address itself) to rg0  
WCX :&AREA\_1 ; Will write "0" to the console

### Pointer

So what if you’ve copied an address to a register? You now want to treat the value of a register as if it were an address in memory, not a number. This can be achieved with a **pointer**. Simply prefix a register name with an asterisk (\*) to treat the register contents as a location to store to, read from, or jump to — instead of a number to operate on. Just like registers, they will occupy a single byte in memory after assembly.

For example:

:AREA\_1  
WCC 10  
MVQ rg0, :&AREA\_1 ; Move 0 (the address itself) to rg0  
MVQ rg1, \*rg0 ; Move the item in memory (0xCD) at the address (0) in rg0 to rg1

rg1 will contain 0xCD after the third instruction finishes.

## Registers

As with most modern architectures, operations in AssEmbly are almost always performed on **registers**. Each register contains a 64-bit number and has a unique, pre-assigned name. They are stored separately from the processor’s memory, therefore cannot be referenced by an address, only by name. There are 16 of them in AssEmbly, 10 of which are *general purpose*, meaning they are free to be used for whatever you wish. All general purpose registers start with a value of 0. The remaining six have special purposes within the architecture, so should be used with care.

Please be aware that to understand the full operation and purpose for some registers, knowledge explained later on in the manual may be required.

### Register Table

| Byte | Symbol | Writeable | Full Name | Purpose |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 0x00 | rpo | No | Program Offset | Stores the memory address of the current location in memory being executed |
| 0x01 | rso | Yes | Stack Offset | Stores the memory address of the highest non-popped item on the stack |
| 0x02 | rsb | Yes | Stack Base | Stores the memory address of the bottom of the current stack frame |
| 0x03 | rsf | Yes | Status Flags | Stores bits representing the status of certain instructions |
| 0x04 | rrv | Yes | Return Value | Stores the return value of the last executed subroutine |
| 0x05 | rfp | Yes | Fast Pass Parameter | Stores a single parameter passed to a subroutine |
| 0x06 | rg0 | Yes | General 0 | *General purpose* |
| 0x07 | rg1 | Yes | General 1 | *General purpose* |
| 0x08 | rg2 | Yes | General 2 | *General purpose* |
| 0x09 | rg3 | Yes | General 3 | *General purpose* |
| 0x0A | rg4 | Yes | General 4 | *General purpose* |
| 0x0B | rg5 | Yes | General 5 | *General purpose* |
| 0x0C | rg6 | Yes | General 6 | *General purpose* |
| 0x0D | rg7 | Yes | General 7 | *General purpose* |
| 0x0E | rg8 | Yes | General 8 | *General purpose* |
| 0x0F | rg9 | Yes | General 9 | *General purpose* |

### rpo - Program Offset

Stores the memory address of the current location in memory being executed. For safety, it cannot be directly written to. To change where you are in a program, use a **jump instruction** (explained later on).

For example, in the short program (assuming the first instruction is the first in a file):

MVQ rg0, 10  
DCR rg0

When the program starts, rpo will have a value of 0 — the address of the first item in memory. After the first instruction has finished executing, rpo will have a value of 10: its previous value 0, plus 1 byte for the mnemonic’s opcode, 1 byte for the register operand, and 8 bytes for the literal operand. rpo is now pointing to the opcode of the next instruction (DCR).

**Note:** rpo is incremented by 1 ***before*** an instruction begins execution, therefore when used as an operand in an instruction, it will point to the address of the **first operand**, **not to the address of the opcode**. It will not be incremented again until *after* the instruction has completed.

For example, in the instruction:

MVQ rg0, rpo

Before execution of the instruction begins, rpo will point to the opcode corresponding to MVQ with a register and literal. Once the processor reads this, it increments rpo by 1. rpo now points to the first operand: rg0. This value will be retained until after the instruction has completed, when rpo will be increased by 2 (1 for each register operand). This means there was an increase of 3 overall when including the initial increment by 1 for the opcode.

### rsf - Status Flags

The status flags register is used to mark some information about previously executed instructions. While it stores a 64-bit number just like every other register, its value should instead be treated bit-by-bit rather than as one number.

Currently, the **lowest 5** bits of the 64-bit value have a special use — the remaining 59 will not be automatically modified as of current, though it is recommended that you do not use them for anything else in case this changes in the future.

The 5 bits currently in use are:

0b00...00000OSFCZ  
  
... = 52 omitted bits  
Z = Zero flag  
C = Carry flag  
F = File end flag  
S = Sign Flag  
O = Overflow Flag

Each bit of this number can be considered as a true (1) or false (0) value as to whether the flag is “set” or not.

More information on using these flags can be found in the section on comparison and testing.

A full table of how each instruction modifies the status flag register can be found toward the end of the document.

### rrv - Return Value

Stores the return value of the last executed subroutine. Note that if a subroutine doesn’t return a value, rrv will remain unaffected.

For example:

:SUBROUTINE\_ONE  
...  
...  
...  
RET 4 ; Return, setting rrv to the literal 4  
  
:SUBROUTINE\_TWO  
...  
...  
...  
RET ; Return, leaving rrv unaffected  
  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_ONE  
; rrv is now 4  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_TWO  
; rrv is still 4

More information can be found in the section on subroutines.

### rfp - Fast Pass Parameter

Stores a single parameter passed to a subroutine. If such a parameter is not provided, rfp remains unaffected.

For example:

:SUBROUTINE\_ONE  
ADD rfp, 1  
RET rfp  
  
:SUBROUTINE\_TWO  
ADD rfp, 2  
RET rfp  
  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_ONE, 4 ; This will implicitly set rfp to 4  
; rrv is now 5  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_TWO, 6 ; This will implicitly set rfp to 6  
; rrv is now 8  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_TWO ; rfp will remain 6 here  
; rrv is now 10

Implicitly setting rfp like this with the CAL instruction is called **fast passing** or **fast calling**, hence the name fast pass parameter.

Note that in practice, if a subroutine is designed to take a fast pass parameter, you should **always** explicitly provide it, even if you think rfp will already have the value you want. Similarly, you should not use rfp in a subroutine if it has not been explicitly set in its calls.

More information can be found in the section on subroutines.

### rso - Stack Offset

Stores the memory address of the highest non-popped item on the stack (note that the stack fills from the end of memory backwards). If nothing is left on the stack in the current subroutine, it will be equal to rsb, and if nothing is left on the stack at all, it will still be equal to rsb, with both being equal to one over the highest possible address in memory (so will result in an error if that address is read from).

More information can be found in the dedicated sections on the stack and subroutines.

A simple example, assuming memory is 8192 bytes in size (making 8191 the highest address):

WCN rso ; Outputs "8192"  
PSH 5 ; Push the literal 5 to the stack  
WCN rso ; Outputs "8184" (stack values are 8 bytes)  
POP rg0 ; Pop the just-pushed 5 into rg0  
WCN rso ; Outputs "8192"

### rsb - Stack Base

Stores the memory address of the bottom of the current stack frame. rsb will only ever change when subroutines are being utilised — see the dedicated sections on the stack and subroutines for more info.

Note that rsb does not contain the address of the first item pushed to the stack, rather the address that all pushed items will be on top of.

### rg0 - rg9 - General Purpose

These 10 registers have no special purpose. They will never be changed unless you explicitly change them with either a move operation, or another operation that stores to registers. These will be used most of the time to store and operate on values, as using memory or the stack to do so is inefficient (and in many cases impossible without copying to a register first), so should only be done when you run out of free registers.

## Moving Data

There are four different instructions that are used to move data around without altering it in AssEmbly, each one moving a different number of bytes. MVB moves a single byte, MVW moves two (a.k.a. a word, 16-bits), MVD moves four (a.k.a. a double word, 32-bits), and MVQ moves eight (a.k.a. a quad word, 64-bits, a full number in AssEmbly).

Data can either be moved between two registers, from a register to a memory location, or from a memory location to a register. You cannot move data between two memory locations, you must use a register as a midpoint instead. To move data to or from a memory location, you can use either a label or a pointer.

The move instructions are also how the value of a register or memory location is set to a literal value. In a sense, they can be considered the equivalent of the = assignment operator in higher-level languages.

When using move instructions, the destination always comes first. The destination cannot be a literal.

### Moving with Literals

An example of setting registers to the maximum literal values for each instruction:

MVQ rg0, 18446744073709551615 ; 64-bit integer limit  
MVD rg1, 4294967295 ; 32-bit integer limit  
MVW rg2, 65535 ; 16-bit integer limit  
MVB rg3, 255 ; 8-bit integer limit

Or labels and pointers:

MVQ \*rg0, 18446744073709551615 ; 64-bit integer limit  
MVD \*rg1, 4294967295 ; 32-bit integer limit  
MVW :AREA\_1, 65535 ; 16-bit integer limit  
MVB :AREA\_2, 255 ; 8-bit integer limit

Note that providing a literal over the limit for a given instruction will not result in an error. Instead, the **upper** bits that do not fit in the specified size will be truncated. All 64-bits will still be assembled into the binary (literals are **always** assembled to 8 bytes).

For example:

MVB rg0, 9874

MVB can only take a single byte, or 8 bits, but in binary 9874 is 10011010010010, requiring 14 bits at minimum to store. The lower 8 bits will be kept: 10010010 — the remaining 6 (100110) will be discarded. After this instruction has been executed, rg0 will have a value of 146.

### Moving with Registers

When moving to and from a register, MVQ will update or read all of its bits (remember that registers are 64-bit). If any of the smaller move instructions are used, the **lower** bits of the register will be used, with the remaining upper bits of a destination register all being set to 0.

For example, assume that before the MVD instruction, rg1 has a value of 14,879,176,506,051,693,048:

MVW rg1, 65535

14,879,176,506,051,693,048 in binary is 1100111001111101011101000011001011110001100011001000100111111000, a full 64-bits, and 65535 is 1111111111111111, requiring only 16 bits. MVW will only consider these 16 bits (if there were more they would have been truncated, see above section). Instead of altering only the lowest 16 bits of rg1, MVW will instead set all the remaining 48 bits to 0, resulting in a final value of 0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000001111111111111111 — 65535 perfectly.

Similarly to literals, if a source register contains a number greater than what a move instruction can handle, the upper bits will be disregarded.

### Moving with Memory

Unlike with registers, using different sizes of move instruction *will* affect how any bytes are read from memory. Bytes are read from or written to **starting** at the address in the given label or pointer, and only the required number for the given instruction are read or written (1 for MVB, 2 for MVW, 4 for MVD, 8 for MVQ). The instructions will *always* write these numbers of bytes, if a number to be moved takes up less, it will be padded with 0s.

Numbers are stored in memory in little endian encoding, meaning that the smallest byte is stored first, up to the largest. For example, the 32-bit number 2,356,895,874 is represented in hexadecimal as 0x8C7B6082, which can be broken down into 4 bytes: 8C, 7B, 60, and 82. When stored in memory, this order will be *reversed*, as follows:

| Address | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 |  
| Value | 82 | 60 | 7B | 8C |

This allows you to read a number with a smaller move instruction than what it was written with, whilst maintaining the same upper-bit truncating behaviour seen with literals and registers.

An example with a 64-bit number, 35,312,134,238,538,232 (0x007D7432F18C89F8):

| Address | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 |  
| Value | F8 | 89 | 8C | F1 | 32 | 74 | 7D | 00 |

Be aware that moving directly between two memory locations is not allowed. To move from one location in memory to another, use a register as a midpoint, like so:

MVQ rg0, :MEMORY\_SOURCE  
MVQ :MEMORY\_DESTINATION, rg0

This also applies to pointers as well as labels (rg1 contains the source address, rg2 the destination):

MVQ rg0, \*rg1  
MVQ \*rg2, rg0

When using any move instruction larger than MVB, be careful to ensure that not only the starting point is within the bounds of available memory, but also all of the subsequent bytes. For example, if you have 8192 bytes of available memory (making 8191 the maximum address), you cannot use MVQ on the starting address 8189, as that requires at least 8 bytes.

## Maths and Bitwise Operations

Math and bitwise instructions operate **in-place** in AssEmbly, meaning the first operand for the operation is also used as the destination for the resulting value to be stored to. Destinations, and thus the first operand, must always be a **register**.

Mathematical and bitwise operations are always done with 64-bits, therefore if an address (i.e. a label or pointer) is used as the second operand, 8 bytes will be read starting at that address for the operation in little endian encoding (see the “moving with memory” section above for more info on little endian).

### Addition and Multiplication

Examples of addition and multiplication:

MVQ rg0, 55 ; Set the value of rg0 to 55  
ADD rg0, 45 ; Add 45 to the value of rg0, storing in rg0  
; rg0 is now 100  
MUL rg0, 3 ; Multiply the value of rg0 by 3, storing in rg0  
; rg0 is now 300  
MVQ rg1, rg0  
MUL rg1, rg0 ; Multiply the value of rg1 by the value of rg0, storing in rg1  
; rg1 is now 90000

Be aware that because there is a limit of 64-bits for mathematical operations, if an addition or multiplication operation results in this limit (18446744073709551615) being exceeded, the carry status flag will be set to 1, and the result will be wrapped around back to 0, plus however much the limit was exceeded by.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 18446744073709551615 ; Set rg0 to the 64-bit limit  
ADD rg0, 10 ; Add 10 to rg0  
; rg0 is now 10  
  
MVQ rg0, 18446744073709551590 ; Set rg0 to the 64-bit limit take 25  
ADD rg0, 50 ; Add 50 to rg0  
; rg0 is now 24

In the specific case of adding 1 to a register, the ICR (increment) operation can be used instead.

MVQ rg0, 5  
ICR rg0  
; rg0 is now 6

### Subtraction

An example of subtraction:

MVQ rg0, 55 ; Set the value of rg0 to 55  
SUB rg0, 45 ; Subtract 45 from the value of rg0, storing in rg0  
; rg0 is now 10  
MVQ rg1, rg0  
SUB rg1, rg0 ; Subtract the value of rg0 from rg1, storing in rg1  
; rg1 is now 0

If a subtraction causes the result to go below 0, the carry status flag will be set to 1, and the result will be wrapped around up to the upper limit 18446744073709551615, minus however much the limit was exceeded by.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 0 ; Set rg0 to 0  
SUB rg0, 1 ; Subtract 1 from rg0  
; rg0 is now 18446744073709551615 (-1)  
  
MVQ rg0, 25 ; Set rg0 to 25  
SUB rg0, 50 ; Subtract 50 from rg0  
; rg0 is now 18446744073709551591 (-25)

This overflowed value can also be interpreted as a negative number using two’s complement if desired, which is explained further in the section on negative numbers.

In the specific case of subtracting 1 from a register, the DCR (decrement) operation can be used instead.

MVQ rg0, 5  
DCR rg0  
; rg0 is now 4

### Division

There are three types of division in AssEmbly: integer division (DIV), division with remainder (DVR), and remainder only (REM).

Integer division divides the first operand by the second, discards the remainder, then stores the result in the first operand. For example:

MVQ rg0, 12 ; Set rg0 to 12  
DIV rg0, 4 ; Divide the value in rg0 by 4, storing the result in rg0  
; rg0 is now 3  
  
MVQ rg1, 23 ; Set rg1 to 23  
DIV rg1, 3 ; Divide the value in rg1 by 3, storing the result in rg1  
; rg1 is now 7 (the remainder of 2 is discarded)

Division with remainder, unlike most other operations, takes three operands, the first two being destination registers, and the third being the divisor. Like with the other operations, the first operand is used as the dividend and the result for the integer part of the division. The value of the second operand is not considered, the second operand simply being the register to store the remainder of the division.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 12 ; Set rg0 to 12  
DVR rg0, rg1, 4 ; Divide the value in rg0 by 4, storing the integer result in rg0, and remainder in rg1  
; rg0 is now 3, rg1 is now 0  
  
MVQ rg2, 23 ; Set rg2 to 23  
DVR rg2, rg3, 3 ; Divide the value in rg2 by 3, storing the integer result in rg2, and remainder in rg3  
; rg2 is now 7, rg3 is now 2

Remainder only division is similar to integer division in that it only keeps one of the results, but this time the dividend (first operand) is overwritten by the remainder, and the integer result is discarded:

MVQ rg0, 12 ; Set rg0 to 12  
REM rg0, 4 ; Divide the value in rg0 by 4, storing the remainder in rg0  
; rg0 is now 0  
  
MVQ rg1, 23 ; Set rg1 to 23  
REM rg1, 3 ; Divide the value in rg1 by 3, storing the remainder in rg1  
; rg1 is now 2 (the integer result of 7 is discarded)

### Shifting

Shifting is the process of moving the bits in a binary number either up (left — SHL) or down (right — SHR) a certain number of places.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 0b11010  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  
  
SHL rg0, 2  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

The bits were shifted 2 places to the left, and new bits on the right were set to 0.

Here’s one for shifting right:

MVQ rg0, 0b11010  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  
  
SHR rg0, 2  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

The bits were shifted 2 places to the right, and new bits on the left were set to 0.

If, like with the right shift example above, a shift causes at least one 1 bit to go off the edge (either below the first bit or above the 64th), the carry flag will be set to 1, otherwise it will be set to 0.

### Bitwise

Bitwise operations consider each bit of the operands individually instead of as a whole number. There are three operations that take two operands (AND, ORR, and XOR), and one that takes only one (NOT).

Here are tables of how each two-operand operation will affect each bit

Bitwise And (AND):

+---+---+  
 | 0 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+  
| 0 | 0 | 0 |  
+---+---+---+  
| 1 | 0 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+

The AND operation will only set a bit to 1 if the bit in both operands is 1. For example:

MVQ rg0, 0b00101  
AND rg0, 0b10100  
; rg0 now has a value of 0b00100

Bitwise Or (ORR):

+---+---+  
 | 0 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+  
| 0 | 0 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+  
| 1 | 1 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+

The ORR operation will set a bit to 1 if the bit in either operand is 1. For example:

MVQ rg0, 0b00101  
ORR rg0, 0b10100  
; rg0 now has a value of 0b10101

Bitwise Exclusive Or (XOR):

+---+---+  
 | 0 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+  
| 0 | 0 | 1 |  
+---+---+---+  
| 1 | 1 | 0 |  
+---+---+---+

The XOR operation will set a bit to 1 if the bit in one, but not both, operands is 1. For example:

MVQ rg0, 0b00101  
XOR rg0, 0b10100  
; rg0 now has a value of 0b10001

The NOT operation only takes a single operand, which must be a register. It simply “flips” the value of each bit (i.e. 1 becomes 0, 0 becomes 1).

For example:

MVQ rg0, 0b00101  
NOT rg0  
; rg0 now has a value of 0b11010

### Random Number Generation

The random number instruction (RNG) takes a single operand: the register to store the result in. The instruction always randomises all 64-bits of a register, meaning the result could be anywhere between 0 and 18446744073709551615.

Remainder only division (REM) by a value one higher than the desired maximum can be used to limit the random number to a maximum value, like so:

RNG rg0 ; rg0 could now be any value between 0 and 18446744073709551615  
REM rg0, 5 ; rg0 is now constrained between 0 and 4 depending on its initial value

To set a minimum value also, simply add a constant value to the result of the REM operation:

RNG rg0 ; rg0 could now be any value between 0 and 18446744073709551615  
REM rg0, 5 ; rg0 is now constrained between 0 and 4 depending on its initial value  
ADD rg0, 5 ; rg0 is now constrained between 5 and 9

## Negative Numbers

Negative numbers are stored using two’s complement in AssEmbly, which means that negative values are stored as their positive counterpart with a bitwise NOT performed, then incremented by 1.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 9547  
; rg0 is 0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000010010101001011 in binary  
MVQ rg0, -9547 ; You can use a '-' sign anywhere a regular literal would be accepted  
; rg0 is 0b1111111111111111111111111111111111111111111111111101101010110101 in binary

To switch between the positive and negative form of a number, use the SIGN\_NEG instruction:

MVQ rg0, 9547  
SIGN\_NEG rg0 ; Performs the equivalent of "NOT rg0" then "ICR rg0" in one instruction  
; rg0 is now -9547 (or 18446744073709542069 when interpreted as unsigned)

Stored values can be interpreted as either **unsigned** or **signed**. Unsigned values are always positive and use all 64 bits to store their value, giving a range of 0 to 18,446,744,073,709,551,615. Signed values can be either positive *or* negative and, while still stored using 64-bits, the highest bit is instead to store the sign. This gives a range of -9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807 for signed operations. The number of distinct values is the same as unsigned values, but now half of the values are negative.

To check if the limits of a signed number have been exceeded after an operation instead of the limits of an unsigned number, the **overflow flag** should be used instead of the carry flag. This is explained in detail in the dedicated section on the overflow flag vs. the carry flag.

Numeric literals can be made negative by prepending the - sign onto them. Much of the base instruction set can take negative numbers as operands and work exactly as expected, though there are some exceptions. A full table of which instructions work as expected with negative values and which ones do not can be found toward the end of the document, though as a general rule, if an instruction has an equivalent that begins with SIGN\_, you should use the signed one instead if negative values are expected.

Some instructions that work normally with negative values include ADD, SUB, and MUL. Some that do not include DIV and WCN, where the distinction between unsigned and signed values becomes important, as it will affect the result. The SIGN\_DIV and SIGN\_WCN instructions for example should be used instead when negative numbers are possible and desired. It is worth noting that instructions in the base instruction set (instructions not beginning with an extension like SIGN\_) always interpret numbers as unsigned; the reason some operations do not need a signed counterpart to counteract this is that the usage of two’s complement allows overflowed unsigned results and signed results to have the same bit representation with these compatible operations.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 12  
ADD rg0, -5  
; rg0 is now 7, ADD works as expected with negative values  
  
MVQ rg0, 12  
SUB rg0, -5  
; rg0 is now 17, SUB works as expected with negative values  
  
MVQ rg0, 12  
DIV rg0, -6  
; rg0 is NOT -2, the SIGN\_DIV instruction needs to be used instead  
  
MVQ rg0, 12  
SIGN\_DIV rg0, -6  
; rg0 is now -2, as expected  
  
WCN rg0  
; 18446744073709551614 has been printed to the console, as WCN always assumes that the value is unsigned  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; -2 has now been printed to the console, as expected

There are other instructions that have signed equivalents, these are simply used as an example. The signed operations also work on positive values, so the signed equivalent of relevant instructions should always be used wherever negative values are *possible* and desired, not just where they are guaranteed.

### Arithmetic Right Shifting

When shifting bits to the right, there are two options: logical shifting (as explained in the previous shifting section), or arithmetic shifting. Arithmetic shifting should be used when you wish to shift a value whilst retaining its sign.

Arithmetic right shifts can be performed with the SIGN\_SHR, which takes the same operands as SHR, but behaves slightly differently when the sign bit of the initial value is set.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 0b11010  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  
; All omitted bits are 0  
  
SIGN\_SHR rg0, 2  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  
; All omitted bits are 0

This behaviour is identical to SHR, as the value is not signed.

Here’s an example with a negative value:

MVQ rg0, -26  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |  
; All omitted bits are 1  
  
SIGN\_SHR rg0, 2  
; rg0:  
; | Bit | ... | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |  
; | Value | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  
; All omitted bits are 1

Because the sign bit was set in the original value, all new bits shifted into the most significant bit were set to 1 instead of 0, keeping the sign of the result the same as the initial value.

The behaviour of the carry flag is also altered when performing an arithmetic shift. Where SHR sets the carry flag if any 1 bit is shifted past the least significant bit and discarded, SIGN\_SHR instead sets the carry flag if any bits **not equal to the sign bit** are discarded. This means that for negative initial values, any 0 bit being discarded will set the carry bit, and for positive initial values, any 1 bit being discarded will set the carry bit.

Using an 8-bit number for demonstration, the behaviour of a **logical shift** (SHR) looks like this:

-26 >> 1  
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |-> discarded bit not 1, UNSET carry flag  
 \ \ \ \ \ \ \  
 \ \ \ \ \ \ \  
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  
= 115

Whereas the behaviour of an **arithmetic shift** (SIGN\_SHR) looks like this:

-26 >> 1  
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |-> discard not equal to sign, SET carry flag  
 | \ \ \ \ \ \ \  
 | \ \ \ \ \ \ \  
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  
= -13

### Extending Smaller Signed Values

Operations on signed numbers will always expect them to be 64-bits in size, with the 64th bit as the sign bit. If you have a signed value stored in a smaller format, using the 8th (byte), 16th (word), or 32nd (double word) bits as the sign bit, you can use one of the extension instructions (SIGN\_EXB, SIGN\_EXW, and SIGN\_EXD respectively) to convert the number to its equivalent value in 64 bits.

For example:

MVW rg0, 0b1111111101011011  
; rg0 is 0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000001111111101011011 in binary  
; This is -165 when considering only the lower 16 bits as a signed number,  
; however we need the value to occupy all 64-bits to be interpreted properly.  
; As of current, even the signed instructions will read rg0 as 65371  
  
SIGN\_EXW rg0 ; SIGN\_EXW is for extending 16->64, use SIGN\_EXB for 8->64 or SIGN\_EXD for 32->64  
; rg0 is now 0b1111111111111111111111111111111111111111111111111111111101011011 in binary  
; This occupies all 64-bits, so rg0 will now work correctly as -165

Using the extending instructions with a positive value will not affect the value of the register up to the specified size of bits, though any bits higher than the number supported by the used extend instruction will be set to 0 instead of 1.

For example:

MVB rg0, 12  
; rg0 is 0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000001100 in binary  
  
SIGN\_EXB rg0  
; rg0 is unchanged  
  
MVW rg0, 569  
; rg0 is 0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000001000111001 in binary  
; rg0 doesn't fit in a single byte!  
  
SIGN\_EXB rg0  
; rg0 is now 0b0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000111001  
; Any bits higher than the 8th bit have been unset, making rg0 equal to only 57

The second example here caused part of the number to be lost as SIGN\_EXB was used when the value was larger than 8-bits. A similar scenario will occur if a negative value requires more bits than the used extend instruction can handle, though the upper bits will all be set to 1 instead of 0 in this case.

Converting from a larger size of signed integer to a smaller one is as simple as taking only the desired number of lower bits. Assuming the value can fit within the target signed integer size’s limits, no specific operation needs to be used.

### The Overflow Flag vs. the Carry Flag

As explained earlier, during most mathematical operations the carry flag is set whenever a subtraction goes below 0, or an addition goes above 18446744073709551615. This is useful in unsigned arithmetic, as it will inform you when the result of an operation is not mathematically correct, however in signed arithmetic, it cannot be used for this purpose. To overcome this, the status flag register also contains an **overflow flag**. This flag is set specifically when the result of an operation is incorrect when interpreted as a *signed* value. It has no useful meaning during unsigned arithmetic.

Some examples:

MVQ rg0, 10  
SUB rg0, 5  
; As unsigned, rg0 is now 5. As signed it is also 5.  
; Carry flag has been UNSET, answer is correct as unsigned.  
; Overflow flag has been UNSET, answer is correct as signed.  
  
MVQ rg0, 0  
SUB rg0, 5  
; As unsigned, rg0 is now 18446744073709551611. As signed it is -5.  
; Carry flag has been SET, answer is incorrect as unsigned.  
; Overflow flag has been UNSET, answer is correct as signed.  
  
MVQ rg0, 0x7FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF ; (hexadecimal for 9223372036854775807 as both signed and unsigned)  
ADD rg0, 5  
; As unsigned, rg0 is now 9223372036854775812. As signed it is -9223372036854775804.  
; Carry flag has been UNSET, answer is correct as unsigned.  
; Overflow flag has been SET, answer is incorrect as signed.  
  
MVQ rg0, 0x7FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF  
SUB rg0, 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF  
; As unsigned, rg0 is now 9223372036854775808. As signed it is -9223372036854775808.  
; Carry flag has been SET, answer is incorrect as unsigned.  
; Overflow flag has been SET, answer is incorrect as signed.

## Floating Point Numbers

AssEmbly has instructions to perform operations on floating point values. These instructions work with the IEEE 754 double-precision floating point format (also known as float64 or double). In this format, values, including whole numbers, are stored using an entirely different format from regular integer values, which means that, unlike with signed values, very little of the base instruction set can work with floating point values. Instead, instructions in the floating point instruction set (mnemonics starting with FLPT\_) must be used. There is a full table towards the end of the document that details which instructions accept which formats of data.

To make an integer literal into a floating point literal, it must contain a decimal point (.). Any numeric literal containing a decimal point will be assembled into a 64-bit float.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 5  
; rg0 is 0x0000000000000005, which cannot be used in floating point operations  
  
MVQ rg0, 5.0 ; The trailing 0 can be omitted to just have "5." if desired  
; rg0 is 0x4014000000000000, or 5.0 in double floating point format,  
; and can now be used in floating point operations

### Floating Point Math

There are floating point equivalents of all the math operations in the base instruction set, as well as some additional mathematical operations exclusive to floating point values. Integers and floating point values *cannot* be mixed when performing floating point operations; any integer values must be converted to a float first, as explained in the following section.

Some examples of basic floating point math:

MVQ rg0, 5.7  
FLPT\_ADD rg0, 3.2  
FLPT\_WCN rg0  
; "8.9" is printed to the console  
  
MVQ rg1, -12.3  
FLPT\_MUL rg0, rg1  
FLPT\_WCN rg0  
; "-109.47000000000001" is printed to the console (note the floating point inaccuracy)  
  
MVQ rg0, 1.0  
FLPT\_DIV rg0, 3.0  
FLPT\_WCN rg0  
; "0.3333333333333333" is printed to the console

As can be seen with the second operation, floating point values cannot always represent decimal numbers with 100% accuracy, and may sometimes be off by a tiny fractional amount when converted to and from base 10.

Operations exclusive to floating point include trigonometric functions (i.e. Sine, Cosine, and Tangent and their inverses), single-instruction exponentiation, and logarithms. The trigonometric functions all operate on **radians** (a full circle is 2 \* PI radians). You can convert degrees to radians by multiplying the degrees by 0.017453292519943295 (PI / 180), and you can convert radians to degrees by multiplying the radians by 57.295779513082323 (180 / PI).

Some examples:

MVQ rg0, 5.0  
FLPT\_POW rg0, 2.0  
FLPT\_WCN rg0  
; "25" is printed to the console  
  
FLPT\_LOG rg0, 5.0  
FLPT\_WCN rg0  
; "2" is printed to the console  
  
FLPT\_SIN rg0  
FLPT\_WCN rg0  
; "0.9092974268256817" is printed to the console

### Converting Between Integers and Floats

Because integers and floating point values are stored in separate formats and are not implicitly compatible, you must explicitly convert between them to have data in the format expected by each instruction being used.

There are two instructions for converting integers to floats: FLPT\_UTF and FLPT\_STF. These interpret the integer value of a register as either unsigned or signed respectively, and convert it to its closest equivalent in floating point format. Be aware that integers that require more than 53 bits to represent as an integer may not be converted to an identical value as a float, due to precision limitations with large numbers in the double-precision floating point format.

Examples of integer to float conversion:

MVQ rg0, 5  
; rg0 is 0x0000000000000005, which cannot be used in floating point operations  
  
FLPT\_UTF rg0 ; FLPT\_STF would produce the same result in this case  
; rg0 is 0x4014000000000000, or 5.0 in double floating point format,  
; and can now be used in floating point operations  
  
MVQ rg0, -8  
; rg0 is 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF8  
FLPT\_STF rg0  
; rg0 is 0xC020000000000000 (-8.0)  
  
MVQ rg0, -8  
; rg0 is 0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF8  
FLPT\_UTF rg0  
; rg0 is 0x43F0000000000000 (18446744073709552000.0)

There are four instructions for converting floats to integers: FLPT\_FTS, FLPT\_FCS, FLPT\_FFS, and FLPT\_FNS. These convert a floating point value to an integer which can be interpreted as signed, using one of four rounding methods respectively: truncation (rounding toward zero), ceiling (rounding to the greater adjacent integer), floor (rounding to the lesser adjacent integer), and nearest (rounding to the closest integer, with exact midpoints being rounded to the adjacent integer that is even).

Examples of float to integer conversion:

MVQ rg0, 5.7  
FLPT\_FTS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "5" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 5.7  
FLPT\_FCS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "6" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 5.7  
FLPT\_FFS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "5" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 5.7  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "6" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, -5.7  
FLPT\_FTS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "-5" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, -5.7  
FLPT\_FCS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "-5" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, -5.7  
FLPT\_FFS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "-6" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, -5.7  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "-6" is printed to console

Some further examples of FLPT\_FNS with midpoint and lower values:

MVQ rg0, 5.5  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "6" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 6.5  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "6" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 2.5  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "2" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 3.5  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "4" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 12.4  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "12" is printed to console  
  
MVQ rg0, 3.2  
FLPT\_FNS rg0  
SIGN\_WCN rg0  
; "3" is printed to console

### Converting Between Floating Point Sizes

Floating point operations work solely on 64-bit floating point values, however there are other common sizes of floating point value which you may wish to convert between. There are instructions to convert to and from the half-precision (16-bit) and single-precision (32-bit) IEEE 754 floating point formats. To convert **to** a double-precision float, the FLPT\_EXH and FLPT\_EXS instructions are used to convert from half-precision and single-precision floats respectively. To convert **from** a double-precision float, the FLPT\_SHH and FLPT\_SHS instructions are used to convert to half-precision and single-precision floats respectively. You cannot convert directly between half- and single-precision floats without converting to a double-precision float first.

Here are some examples of direct conversion:

MVQ rg0, 0x4248 ; 3.141 as a half-precision float  
; rg0 cannot currently be used with floating point operations  
FLPT\_EXH rg0  
; rg0 is now 0x4009200000000000 (3.140625) and can be used in floating point operations  
  
MVQ rg0, 0x40490FDB ; 3.1415927 as a single-precision float  
; rg0 cannot currently be used with floating point operations  
FLPT\_EXS rg0  
; rg0 is now 0x400921FB60000000 (3.14159274101257) and can be used in floating point operations  
  
MVQ rg0, 3.141592653589793  
; rg0 is 0x400921FB54442D18  
FLPT\_SHH rg0  
; rg0 is now 0x4248 (3.141 as a half-precision float)  
  
MVQ rg0, 3.141592653589793  
; rg0 is 0x400921FB54442D18  
FLPT\_SHS rg0  
; rg0 is now 0x40490FDB (3.1415927 as a single-precision float)

And one for converting a single-precision to a half-precision float:

MVQ rg0, 0x40490FDB ; 3.1415927 as a single-precision float  
FLPT\_EXS rg0  
; rg0 is now 0x400921FB60000000 (3.14159274101257)  
FLPT\_SHH rg0  
; rg0 is now 0x4248 (3.141 as a half-precision float)

## Jumping

Jumping is the processes of changing where the processor is currently executing in a program (represented with the rpo register). Jumps can be used to make loops, execute code if only a certain condition is met, or to reuse code, such as with subroutines. After a jump, the processor will continue to execute instructions from the new location, it will not automatically return to where it was before.

Jumps are usually made to labels, like so:

MVQ rg0, 0 ; Set rg0 to 0  
:ADD\_LOOP ; Create a label to the following instruction (ADD)  
ADD rg0, 5 ; Add 5 to the current value of rg0  
JMP :ADD\_LOOP ; Go back to ADD\_LOOP and continue executing from there

This program will set rg0 to 0, then infinitely keep adding 5 to the register by jumping back to the ADD\_LOOP label. To only jump some of the time, for example to create a conditional loop, see the following section on branching.

Here is another example of a jump:

MVQ rg0, 0  
ADD rg0, 5  
JMP :SKIP  
ADD rg0, 5 ; This won't be executed  
ADD rg0, 5 ; This won't be executed  
:SKIP  
; rg0 is 5 here

rg0 only ends up being 5 at the end of this example, as jumping to the SKIP label prevented the two other ADD instructions from being reached.

Jumps can also be made to pointers, though you must be sure that the pointer will contain the address of a valid opcode before jumping there.

For example:

MVQ rg0, :&MY\_CODE ; Move the literal address of MY\_CODE to rg0  
JMP \*rg0 ; Jump to that address  
MVQ rg0, 5 ; This won't be executed  
:MY\_CODE  
MVQ rg0, 17  
; rg0 will be 17, not 5

## Comparing, Testing, and Branching

Branching is similar to jumping in that it changes where in the program execution is currently taking place, however, when branching, a condition is checked first before performing the jump. If the condition is not met, the program will continue execution as normal without jumping anywhere.

The conditional jump instructions are as follows:

+----------+----------------------------------+  
| Mnemonic | Meaning |  
+----------+----------------------------------+  
| JEQ | Jump if Equal |  
| JNE | Jump if not Equal |  
| JLT | Jump if Less Than |  
| JLE | Jump if Less Than or Equal To |  
| JGT | Jump if Greater Than |  
| JGE | Jump if Greater Than or Equal To |  
+----------+----------------------------------+  
| JZO | Jump if Zero (=JEQ) |  
| JNZ | Jump if not Zero (=JNE) |  
| JCA | Jump if Carry (=JLT) |  
| JNC | Jump if no Carry (=JGE) |  
+----------+----------------------------------+  
| SIGN\_JLT | Jump if Less Than |  
| SIGN\_JLE | Jump if Less Than or Equal To |  
| SIGN\_JGT | Jump if Greater Than |  
| SIGN\_JGE | Jump if Greater Than or Equal To |  
+----------+----------------------------------+  
| SIGN\_JSI | Jump if Sign |  
| SIGN\_JNS | Jump if not Sign |  
| SIGN\_JOV | Jump if Overflow |  
| SIGN\_JNO | Jump if not Overflow |  
+----------+----------------------------------+

The top section of instructions should be performed following a CMP operation on unsigned values, or a FLPT\_CMP operation on floating point values. The instructions in the second section are aliases of four of the mnemonics in the top section (i.e. they share the same opcode) designed for use after mathematical operations or for bit testing (explained more in the relevant sections).

The bottom two sections are part of the signed extension set, with the higher of the two being designed for use following a CMP instruction on signed values, and the bottom section being for use specifically to branch based on the state of the sign or overflow flags.

### Comparing Unsigned Numbers

To branch based on how two unsigned (always positive) numbers relate to each other, the CMP instruction can be utilised. It takes two operands (the first of which must be a register — it won’t be modified), and compares them for use with a conditional jump instruction immediately afterwards.

For example:

RNG rg0 ; Set rg0 to a random number  
CMP rg0, 1000 ; Compare rg0 to 1000  
JGT :GREATER ; Jump straight to GREATER if rg0 is greater than 1000  
ADD rg0, 1000 ; This will execute only if rg0 is less than or equal to 1000  
:GREATER  
SUB rg0, 1000 ; This will execute in either situation

Be aware that the GREATER label will still be reached if rg0 is less than or equal to 1000 here, the ADD instruction will just be executed first.

To have the contents of the GREATER label execute **only** if rg0 is greater than 1000, include an unconditional jump like so:

RNG rg0 ; Set rg0 to a random number  
CMP rg0, 1000 ; Compare rg0 to 1000  
JGT :GREATER ; Jump straight to GREATER if rg0 is greater than 1000  
ADD rg0, 1000 ; This will execute only if rg0 is less than or equal to 1000  
JMP :END ; Jump straight to END to prevent GREATER section being executed  
:GREATER  
SUB rg0, 1000 ; This will execute only if rg0 is greater than 1000  
:END

The CMP instruction works by subtracting the second operand from the first, but not storing the result anywhere. This operation still updates the status flags (rsf) however, and these can be used to check how the numbers relate. For example, if the second operand is greater than the first, you can guarantee that the operation will set the carry flag, as it would cause the result to be negative. This means to check if the first is greater than or equal to the second, you can simply check if the carry flag was unset. To check if the values were equal, the zero flag can be checked, as if the two operands of a subtraction are equal, the result will always be zero.

A full list of what each conditional jump instruction is checking for in terms of the status flags can be found in the full instruction reference.

### Comparing Signed Numbers

The CMP instruction can also be used to compare signed (negative and positive) values, with its usage and behaviour remaining unchanged. After using the CMP instruction, however, you should use the signed version of the base conditional jump instructions, e.g. SIGN\_JLT instead of JLT. The only exception to this is JEQ and JNE, which do not have signed versions, as they work with both signed and unsigned values.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 25  
MVQ rg1, -6  
CMP rg0, rg1  
SIGN\_JGT :GREATER  
WCN 10 ; This will not execute, 25 is greater than -6  
:GREATER  
WCN 20 ; This will execute  
; Only "20" is output to the console

And what would happen if the regular JGT instruction was used:

MVQ rg0, 25  
MVQ rg1, -6  
CMP rg0, rg1  
JGT :GREATER  
WCN 10 ; This will execute, even though 25 is greater than -6  
:GREATER  
WCN 20 ; This will execute  
; "1020" is output to the console, -6 was interpreted instead as 18446744073709551610

Here the comparison doesn’t work as expected because the conditional jump used (JGT) only works assuming the comparison was intended to be unsigned. The signed versions of these instructions (like SIGN\_JGT) use the state of the sign, overflow, and zero status flags so that they work as expected when used after signed comparisons. A full list of what each conditional jump instruction is checking for in terms of the status flags can be found in the full instruction reference.

### Comparing Floating Point Numbers

To compare two floating point values, the FLPT\_CMP instruction needs to be used instead of the CMP instruction. After using FLPT\_CMP, the **unsigned** version of the desired conditional jump should be used, **even if one or both of the floating point values were negative**. There are no dedicated conditional jump instructions for floating point values.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 25.4  
MVQ rg1, -6.3  
FLPT\_CMP rg0, rg1  
JGT :GREATER  
WCN 10 ; This will not execute, 25.4 is greater than -6.3  
:GREATER  
WCN 20 ; This will execute  
; Only "20" is output to the console

FLPT\_CMP updates the status flags with the unsigned conditional jumps in mind. If the first operand is less than the second, the carry flag is set. If they are equal, the zero flag is set. The overflow flag is always 0 after using FLPT\_CMP.

### Testing Bits

To test if a single bit of a number is set or not, the TST instruction can be used. Just like CMP, it takes two operands, the first of which being a register. The second should usually be a binary literal with only a single bit (the one to check) set as 1. It should then be followed by either JZO (jump if zero), or JNZ (jump if not zero). An example of where this may be used is checking if the third bit of rsf is set (the file end flag), as there isn’t a built-in conditional jump that checks this flag.

This would be done like so:

:READ  
RFC rg0 ; Read the next byte from the open file to rg0  
TST rsf, 0b100 ; Check if the third bit is set  
JZO :READ ; If it isn't set (i.e. it is equal to 0), jump back to READ

This program will keep looping until the third bit of rsf becomes 1. meaning that the end of the file has been reached.

Similarly to CMP, TST works by performing a bitwise and on the two operands, discarding the result, but still updating the status flags. A bitwise and will ensure that only the bit you want to check remains as 1, but only if it started as 1. If a bit is not one that you are checking, or it wasn’t 1 to start with, it will end up as 0. If the resulting number isn’t zero, leaving the zero flag unset, the bit must’ve been 1, and vice versa.

### Checking the Carry, Overflow, Zero, and Sign Flags

The carry, overflow, zero, and sign flags also have specific jump operations that can check if they are currently set or unset.

For example:

MVQ rg0, 5  
SUB rg0, 10  
JCA :CARRY ; Jump to label if carry flag is set  
WCN 10 ; This will not execute, as 5 SUB 10 will cause the carry flag to be set  
:CARRY  
WCN 20  
; Only "20" will be written to the console

JCA here is checking if the carry flag is set or not following the subtraction. The jump will only occur if the carry flag is 1 (set), otherwise, as with the other jump types, execution will continue as normal. JNC can be used to perform the inverse, jump only if the carry flag is unset.

The zero flag checks can also be used following a mathematical operation like so:

SUB rg0, 7 ; Subtract 7 from rg0  
JNZ :NOT\_ZERO ; Jump straight to NOT\_ZERO if rg0 didn't become 0  
ADD rg0, 1 ; Only execute this if rg0 became 0 because of the SUB operation  
:NOT\_ZERO

The ADD instruction here will only execute if the subtraction by 7 caused rg0 to become exactly equal to 0.

The SIGN\_JOV, SIGN\_JNO, SIGN\_JSI, and SIGN\_JNS instructions can be used to check if the overflow and sign flags are set and unset respectively in the same way:

SUB rg0, 7 ; Subtract 7 from rg0  
SIGN\_JNS :NOT\_NEGATIVE ; Jump straight to NOT\_NEGATIVE if rg0 didn't become negative  
SIGN\_NEG rg0 ; Only execute this if rg0 became negative because of the SUB operation  
:NOT\_NEGATIVE  
; rg0 is now the absolute result

An equivalent of the first example, but for the overflow flag instead of the carry flag, as should be used for signed operations:

MVQ rg0, 5  
SUB rg0, 10  
JOV :OVERFLOW ; Jump to label if overflow flag is set  
WCN 10 ; This will execute, as 5 SUB 10 will not cause the overflow flag to be set  
:OVERFLOW  
WCN 20  
; "1020" will be written to the console

## Assembler Directives

Assembler directives follow the same format as standard instructions, however, instead of being assembled to an opcode for the processor to execute, they tell the assembler itself to do something to modify either the final binary file or the lines of the source file as its being assembled.

### PAD - Byte Padding

The PAD directive tells the assembler to insert a certain number of 0 bytes wherever the directive is placed in the file. This is most often used just after a label definition to allocate a certain amount of guaranteed free and available memory to store data.

For example, consider the following program:

MVQ rg0, :&PADDING ; Store the address of the padding in rg0  
JMP :PROGRAM ; Jump to the next part of the program, skipping over the padding  
  
:PADDING  
PAD 16 ; Insert 16 empty bytes  
  
:PROGRAM  
MVQ \*rg0, 765 ; Set the first 8 bytes of the padding to represent 765  
ADD rg0, 8 ; Add 8 to rg0, it now points to the next number

This program would assemble to the following bytes:

99 06 13 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 02 23 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 9F 06 FD 02 00 00 00 00 00 00 11 06 08 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

Which can be broken down to:

Address | Bytes  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x00 | 99 | 06 | 13 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | MVQ (reg, lit) | rg0 | :PADDING (address 0x13)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0A | 02 | 23 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | JMP | :PROGRAM (address 0x23)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x13 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | PAD 16  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x23 | 9F | 06 | FD 02 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | MVQ (ptr, lit) | \*rg0 | 765 (0x2FD)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x2D | 11 | 06 | 08 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | ADD | rg0 | 8

Note that usually, to reduce the number of jumps required, PADs would be placed after all program instructions. It was put in the middle of the program here for demonstration purposes.

### DAT - Byte Insertion

The DAT directive inserts either a single byte, or a string of UTF-8 character bytes, into a program wherever the directive is located. As with PAD, it can be directly preceded by a label definition to point to the byte or string of bytes. If not being used with a string, DAT can only insert single bytes at once, meaning the maximum value is 255. It is also not suitable for inserting numbers to be used in 64-bit expecting operations (such as maths and bitwise), see the following section on the NUM directive for inserting 64-bit numbers.

An example of single byte insertion:

MVB rg0, :BYTE ; MVB must be used, as DAT will not insert a full 64-bit number  
; rg0 is now 54  
HLT ; Stop the program executing into the DAT insertion (important!)  
  
:BYTE  
DAT 54 ; Insert a single 54 byte (0x36)

This program assembles into the following bytes:

82 06 0B 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 36

Which can be broken down to:

Address | Bytes  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x00 | 82 | 06 | 0B 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | MVB (reg, adr) | rg0 | :BYTE (address 0x0B)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0A | 00  
 | HLT  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0B | 36  
 | DAT 54

To insert a string using DAT, the desired characters must be surrounded by double quote marks (") and be given as the sole operand to the directive. For example:

MVQ rg0, :&STRING ; Move literal address of string to rg0  
:STRING\_LOOP  
MVB rg1, \*rg0 ; Move contents of address stored in rg0 to rg1  
CMP rg1, 0 ; Check if rg1 is 0  
JEQ :END ; If it is, stop program  
ICR rg0 ; Otherwise, increment source address by 1  
WCC rg1 ; Write the read character to the console  
JMP :STRING\_LOOP ; Loop back to print next character  
  
:END  
HLT ; End execution to stop processor running into string data  
  
:STRING  
DAT "Hello!\0" ; Store a string of character bytes after program data.  
; Note that the string ends with '\0' (a 0 or "null" byte)

This program will loop through the string, placing the byte value of each character in rg0 and writing it to the console, until it reaches the 0 byte, when it will then stop to avoid looping infinitely. While not a strict requirement, terminating a string with a 0 byte like this should always be done to give an easy way of knowing when the end of a string has been reached. Placing a DAT 0 directive on the line after the string insertion will also achieve this 0 termination, and will result in the exact same bytes being assembled, however using the \0 escape sequence is more compact. Escape sequences are explained toward the end of the document along with a table listing all of the possible sequences.

The example program assembles down to the following bytes:

99 06 2E 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 83 07 06 75 07 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 04 2D 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 14 06 CC 07 02 0A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 48 65 6C 6C 6F 21 00

Which can be broken down to:

Address | Bytes  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x00 | 99 | 06 | 2E 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | MVQ (reg, lit) | rg0 | :STRING (address 0x2E)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0A | 83 | 07 | 06  
 | MVB (reg, ptr) | rg1 | \*rg0  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0D | 75 | 07 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | CMP (reg, lit) | rg1 | 0  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x17 | 04 | 2D 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | JEQ (adr) | :END (address 0x2D)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x20 | 14 | 06  
 | ICR (reg) | rg0  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x22 | CC | 07  
 | WCC (reg) | rg1  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x24 | 02 | 0A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | JMP (adr) | :STRING\_LOOP (address 0x0A)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x2D | 00  
 | HLT  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x2E | 48 65 6C 6C 6F 21 00  
 | DAT "Hello!\0"

### NUM - Number Insertion

The NUM directive is similar to DAT, except it always inserts 8 bytes exactly, so can be used to represent 64-bit numbers for use in instructions which always work on 64-bit values, like maths and bitwise operations. NUM cannot be used to insert strings, only single 64-bit numerical values (including unsigned, signed, and floating point).

An example:

MVQ rg0, 115 ; Initialise rg0 to 15  
ADD rg0, :NUMBER ; Add the number stored in memory to rg0  
; rg0 is now 100130  
HLT ; End execution to stop processor running into number data  
  
:NUMBER  
NUM 100\_015 ; Insert the number 100015 with 8 bytes

Which will produce the following bytes:

99 06 73 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 12 06 15 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 AF 86 01 00 00 00 00 00

Breaking down into:

Address | Bytes  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x00 | 99 | 06 | 73 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | MVQ (reg, lit) | rg0 | 115 (0x73)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0A | 12 | 06 | 15 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | ADD (reg, adr) | rg0 | :NUMBER (address 0x15)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x14 | 00  
 | HLT  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x15 | AF 86 01 00 00 00 00 00  
 | NUM 100\_015 (0x186AF)

As with other operations in AssEmbly, NUM stores numbers in memory using little endian encoding. See the section on moving with memory for more info on how this encoding works. You can also use NUM to insert the resolved address of a label as an 8-byte value in memory. The label must use the ampersand prefix syntax (i.e. :&LABEL\_NAME).

### MAC - Macro Definition

The MAC directive defines a **macro**, a piece of text that the assembler will replace with another on every line where the text is present. The directive takes the text to replace as the first operand, then the text for it to be replaced with as the second. Macros only take effect on lines after the one where they are defined, and they can be overwritten to change the replacement text by defining a new macro with the same name as a previous one. Unlike other instructions, the operands to the MAC directive don’t have to be a standard valid format of operand, both will automatically be interpreted as literal text.

For example:

MVQ rg0, Number ; Results in an error  
  
MAC Number, 345  
MVQ rg0, Number  
; rg0 is now 345  
  
MAC Number, 678  
MVQ rg1, Number  
; rg1 is now 678  
  
MAC Inst, ICR rg1  
Inst  
; rg1 is now 679  
  
MAC Inst, ADD rg1, 6  
Inst  
; rg1 is now 685

The first line here results in an error, as a macro with a name of Number hasn’t been defined yet (macros don’t apply retroactively). MVQ rg0, Number gets replaced with MVQ rg0, 345, setting rg0 to 345. MVQ rg1, Number gets replaced with MVQ rg1, 678, as the Number macro was redefined on the line before, setting rg1 to 678. Inst gets replaced with ICR rg1, incrementing rg1 by 1, therefore setting it to 679 (macros can contain spaces and can be used to give another name to mnemonics, or even entire instructions, as seen in the last example).

Note that macro definitions ignore many standard syntax rules due to each operand being interpreted as literal text. Both operands can contain whitespace, and the second operand may contain commas. They are case sensitive, and macros with the same name but different capitalisations can exist simultaneously. Be aware that aside from a **single** space character separating the MAC mnemonic from its operands, leading and trailing whitespace in either of the operands will not be removed. Macros can also contain quotation marks ("), which will not be immediately parsed as a string within the macro. If the quotation marks are placed into a line as replacement text, they will be parsed normally as a part of the line.

### IMP - Import AssEmbly Source File

The IMP directive inserts lines of AssEmbly source code from another file into wherever the directive is placed. It allows a program to be split across multiple files, as well as allowing code to be reused across multiple source files without having to copy the code into each file. The directive takes a single string operand (which must be enclosed in quotes), which can either be a full path (i.e. Drive:/Folder/Folder/file.asm) or a path relative to the directory of the source file being assembled (i.e. file.asm, Folder/file.asm, or ../Folder/file.asm).

For example, suppose you had two files in the same folder, one called program.asm, and one called numbers.asm.

Contents of program.asm:

MVQ rg0, :NUMBER\_ONE  
MVQ rg1, :NUMBER\_TWO  
HLT ; Prevent program executing into number data  
  
IMP "numbers.asm"

Contents of numbers.asm:

:NUMBER\_ONE  
NUM 123  
  
:NUMBER\_TWO  
NUM 456

When program.asm is assembled, the assembler will open and include the lines in numbers.asm once it reaches the IMP directive, resulting in the file looking like so:

MVQ rg0, :NUMBER\_ONE  
MVQ rg1, :NUMBER\_TWO  
HLT ; Prevent program executing into number data  
  
IMP "numbers.asm"  
:NUMBER\_ONE  
NUM 123  
  
:NUMBER\_TWO  
NUM 456

Meaning that rg0 will finish with a value of 123, and rg1 will finish with a value of 456.

The IMP directive simply inserts the text contents of a file into the current file for assembly. This means that any label names in files being imported will be usable in the main file, though imposes the added restriction that label names must be unique across the main file and all its imported files.

Files given to the IMP directive are assembled as AssEmbly source code, so **must** be AssEmbly source files, not already assembled binaries. To insert the raw binary contents of a file into the assembled program, use the IBF directive. It is recommended, though not a strict requirement, that import statements are placed at the end of a file, as that will make it easier to ensure that the imported contents of a file aren’t executed by mistake as part of the main program.

Care should be taken to ensure that a file does not end up depending on itself, even if it is through other files, as this will result in an infinite loop of imports (also known as a circular dependency). The AssEmbly assembler will detect these and throw an error should one occur.

An example of a circular dependency:

file\_one.asm:

IMP "file\_two.asm"

file\_two.asm:

IMP "file\_three.asm"

file\_three.asm:

IMP "file\_one.asm"

Attempting to assemble any of these three files would result in the assembler throwing an error, as each file ends up depending on itself as it resolves its import.

### IBF - Import Binary File Contents

The IBF directive inserts the raw binary contents of a file into a program wherever the directive is located. It differs from the IMP directive in that the contents of the file is neither assembled nor otherwise manipulated in any way by the assembler, it is simply inserted as-is into the final assembled program. The directive takes a single string operand (which must be enclosed in quotes), which can either be a full path (i.e. Drive:/Folder/Folder/file.bin) or a path relative to the directory of the source file being assembled (i.e. file.bin, Folder/file.bin, or ../Folder/file.bin).

For example, suppose you had two files in the same folder, one called program.asm, and one called string.txt.

Contents of program.asm:

MVQ rg0, :&STRING  
:LOOP  
MVQ rg1, \*rg0  
TST rg1, rg1  
JZO :END  
WCC rg1  
ICR rg0  
JMP :LOOP  
:END  
HLT ; Prevent program executing into string data  
  
:STRING  
IBF "string.txt"  
DAT 0

Contents of string.txt:

Hello, world!

This program will print Hello, world! to the console when executed, with the string “Hello, world!” now being contained within the program itself.

Assembling the program produces the following bytes:

99 06 27 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 9B 07 06 70 07 07 04 26 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 CC 07 14 06 02 0A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 48 65 6C 6C 6F 2C 20 77 6F 72 6C 64 21 00

Breaking down into:

Address | Bytes  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x00 | 99 | 06 | 27 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | MVQ (reg, lit) | rg0 | 39 (0x27)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0A | 9B | 07 | 06  
 | MVQ (reg, ptr) | rg1 | rg0  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x0D | 70 | 07 | 07  
 | TST (reg, reg) | rg1 | rg1  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x10 | 04 | 26 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | JZO (adr) | 38 (0x26)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x19 | CC | 07  
 | WCC (reg) | rg1  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x1B | 14 | 06  
 | ICR (reg) | rg0  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x1D | 04 | 0A 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
 | JMP (adr) | 10 (0x0A)  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x26 | 00  
 | HLT  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x27 | 48 65 6C 6C 6F 2C 20 77 6F 72 6C 64 21  
 | H e l l o , W o r l d !  
--------+----------------------------------------------------  
 0x34 | 00  
 | DAT 0

Note that the file given to the IBF directive does not need to contain plain text; any data can be inserted.

### ANALYZER - Toggling Assembler Warnings

The AssEmbly assembler checks for common issues with your source code when you assemble it in order to alert you of potential issues and improvements that can be made. There may be some situations, however, where you want to suppress these issues from being detected. This can be done within the source code using the ANALYZER directive. The directive takes three operands: the severity of the warning (either error, warning, or suggestion); the numerical code for the warning (this is a 4-digit number printed alongside the message); and whether to enable (1), disable (0) or restore the warning to its state as it was at the beginning of assembly (r).

After using the directive, its effect remains active until assembly ends, or the same warning is toggled again with the directive further on in the code.

For example:

CMP rg0, 0 ; generates suggestion 0005  
  
ANALYZER suggestion, 0005, 0  
CMP rg0, 0 ; generates no suggestion  
CMP rg0, 0 ; still generates no suggestion  
ANALYZER suggestion, 0005, 1 ; 'r' would also work if the suggestion isn't disabled via a CLI argument  
  
CMP rg0, 0 ; generates suggestion 0005 again

Be aware that some analyzers do not run until the end of the assembly process and so cannot be re-enabled without inadvertently causing the warning to re-appear. This can be overcome by placing the disabling ANALYZER directive at the end of the base file for any analyzers where this behaviour is an issue, or by simply not re-enabling the analyzer.

### MESSAGE - Manually Emit Assembler Warning

The MESSAGE directive can be used to cause a custom assembler message (i.e. an error, warning, or suggestion) to be given for the line that the directive is used on. One operand is required: the severity of the message to raise (either error, warning, or suggestion). A second, optional operand can also be given, which must be a quoted string literal to use as the content of the custom message.

Two examples of the directive being used:

MESSAGE suggestion  
MESSAGE warning, "This needs changing"

Manually emitted messages always have the code 0000, regardless of severity. Messages, even with the error severity, will not cause the assembly process to fail and have no effect on the final program output.

## Console Input and Output

AssEmbly has native support for reading and writing from the console. There are four types of write that can be performed: 64-bit number in decimal; byte in decimal; byte in hexadecimal; and a raw byte (character). There is only a single type of read: a single raw byte. There is no native support for reading numbers in any base, nor is there support for reading or writing multiple numbers/bytes at once.

Writing can be done from registers, literals, labels, and pointers; reading must be done to a register. As with the move instructions, if a byte write instruction is used on a register or literal, only the lowest byte will be considered. If one is used on a label or a pointer, only a single byte of memory will be read, as an opposed to the 8 bytes that are read when writing a 64-bit number.

An example of each type of write:

MVQ rg0, 0xFF0062  
  
WCN rg0 ; Write a 64-bit number to the console in decimal  
; "16711778" (0xFF0062) is written to the console  
  
WCC 10 ; Write a newline character  
  
WCB rg0 ; Write a single byte to the console in decimal  
; "98" (0x62) is written to the console  
  
WCC 10 ; Write a newline character  
  
WCX rg0 ; Write a single byte to the console in hexadecimal  
; "62" is written to the console  
  
WCC 10 ; Write a newline character  
  
WCC rg0 ; Write a single byte to the console as a character  
; "b" (0x62) is written to the console  
  
WCC 10 ; Write a newline character

Keep in mind that newlines are not automatically written after each write instruction, you will need to manually write the raw byte 10 (a newline character) to start writing on a new line. See the ASCII table at the end of the document for other common character codes.

An example of reading a byte:

RCC rg0 ; Read a byte from the console and save the byte code to rg0

When an RCC instruction is reached, the program will pause execution and wait for the user to input a character to the console. Once a character has been inputted, the corresponding byte value of the character will be copied to the given register. In this example, if the user types a lowercase “b”, 0x62 would be copied to rg0.

Be aware that if the user types a character that requires multiple bytes to represent in UTF-8, RCC will still only retrieve a single byte. You will have to use RCC multiple times to get all of the bytes needed to represent the character. WCC will also only write a single byte at a time, though as long as the console has UTF-8 support, simply writing each UTF-8 byte one after the other will result in the correct character being displayed.

Note that the user does not need to press enter after inputting a character, execution will resume immediately after a single character is typed. If you wish to wait for the user to press enter, compare the inputted character to 10 (the code for a newline character). The example program input.ext.asm contains a subroutine which does this. The user pressing the enter key will always give a single 10 byte, regardless of platform.

## File Handling

As well as interfacing with the console, AssEmbly also has native support for handling files.

### Opening and Closing

Files must be explicitly opened with the OFL instruction before they can read or written to, and only one file can be open at a time. You should close the currently open file with the CFL instruction when you have finished operating on it.

Filepaths given to OFL to be opened should be strings of UTF-8 character bytes in memory, ending with at least one 0 byte. An example static filepath definition is as follows:

:FILE\_PATH  
DAT "file.txt\0"

This would normally be placed after all program code and a HLT instruction to prevent it accidentally being executed as if it were part of the program. The file can be opened with the following line anywhere in the program:

OFL :FILE\_PATH  
...  
CFL

You could also use a pointer if you wish:

MVQ rg0, :&FILE\_PATH  
OFL \*rg0  
...  
CFL

CFL will close whatever file is currently open, so does not require any operands. If a file at the specified path does not exist when it is opened, an empty one will be created.

### Reading and Writing

Reading and writing from files is almost identical to how it is done from the console. Registers, literals, labels, and pointers can all be written, and reading must be done to a register. When using byte writing instructions, only the lower byte of registers and literals is considered, and only a single byte of memory is read for labels and pointers. An open file can be both read from and written to while it is open, though changes written to the file will not be reflected in either the current AssEmbly program or other applications until the file is closed. If a file already has data in it when it is written to, the new data will start overwriting from the first byte in the file. Any remaining data that does not get overwritten will remain unchanged, and the size of the file will not change unless more bytes are written than were originally in the file. To clear a file before writing it, use the DFL instruction to delete the file beforehand.

An example of writing to a file:

MVQ rg0, 0xFF0062  
OFL :FILE\_PATH ; Open file with the 0-terminated string at :FILE\_PATH  
  
WFN rg0 ; Write a 64-bit number to the file in decimal  
; "16711778" (0xFF0062) is appended to the file  
  
WFC 10 ; Write a newline character  
  
WFB rg0 ; Write a single byte to the file in decimal  
; "98" (0x62) is appended to the file  
  
WFC 10 ; Write a newline character  
  
WFX rg0 ; Write a single byte to the file in hexadecimal  
; "62" is appended to the file  
  
WFC 10 ; Write a newline character  
  
WFC rg0 ; Write a single byte to the file as a character  
; "b" (0x62) is appended to the file  
  
WFC 10 ; Write a newline character  
CFL ; Close the file, saving newly written contents  
  
HLT ; Prevent executing into string data  
  
:FILE\_PATH  
DAT "file.txt\0"

Executing this program will create a file called file.txt with the following contents:

16711778  
98  
62  
b

File contents can be read with the RFC instruction, taking a single register as an operand. The next unread byte from the file will be stored in the specified register. Text files are not treated specially, RFC will simply retrieve the characters 1 byte at a time as they are encoded in the file. If the end of the file has been reached after reading, the file end flag will be set to 1. The only way to reset the current reading position in a file is to close and reopen the file.

To read all bytes until the end of a file, you will need to continually read single bytes from the file, testing the file end flag after every read, stopping as soon as it becomes set. The example program read\_file.asm has an example of this, as well as this example from the bit testing section:

:READ  
RFC rg0 ; Read the next byte from the open file to rg0  
TST rsf, 0b100 ; Check if the third bit is set  
JZO :READ ; If it isn't set (i.e. it is equal to 0), jump back to READ

### Other Operations

As well as reading and writing, there are also instructions for checking whether a file exists (FEX), getting the size of a file (FSZ), and deleting a file (DFL). They all take a path in the same way OFL does. DFL has no effect other than deleting the file. FEX and FSZ first take a register operand to store their result in, then the path to the file as the second operand. FEX stores 1 in the register if the file exists, 0 if not. FSZ stores the total size of the file in bytes.

## The Stack

The stack is a section of memory most often used in conjunction with subroutines, explained in the subsequent section. It starts at the very end of available memory, and dynamically grows backwards as more items are added (**pushed**) to it. The stack contains exclusively 64-bit (8 byte) values. Registers, literals, labels, and pointers can all be given as operands to the push (PSH) instruction.

Once items have been pushed to the stack, they can be removed (**popped**), starting with the most recently pushed item. As with most other instructions with a destination, items from the stack must be popped into registers with the POP instruction. Once an item is removed from the stack, the effective size of the stack shrinks back down, and the popped item will no longer be considered part of the stack until and unless it is pushed again.

The rso register contains the address of the first byte of the top item in the stack. Its value will get **lower** as items are **pushed**, and **greater** as items are **popped**. More info on the rso register’s behaviour can be found in the registers section.

Take this visual example, assuming memory is 8192 bytes in size (making 8191 the maximum address):

; rso = 8192  
; | Addresses | 8168..8175 | 8176..8183 | 8184..8191 ||  
; | Value | ???????????????? | ???????????????? | ???????????????? ||  
  
PSH 0xDEADBEEF ; Push 0xDEADBEEF (3735928559) to the stack  
  
; rso = 8184  
; | Addresses | 8168..8175 | 8176..8183 || 8184..8191 |  
; | Value | ???????????????? | ???????????????? || 00000000EFBEADDE |  
  
PSH 0xCAFEB0BA ; Push 0xCAFEB0BA (3405689018) to the stack  
  
; rso = 8176  
; | Addresses | 8168..8175 || 8176..8183 | 8184..8191 |  
; | Value | ???????????????? || 00000000BAB0FECA | 00000000EFBEADDE |  
  
PSH 0xD00D2BAD ; Push 0xD00D2BAD (3490524077) to the stack  
  
; rso = 8168  
; | Addresses || 8168..8175 | 8176..8183 | 8184..8191 |  
; | Value || 00000000AD2B0DD0 | 00000000BAB0FECA | 00000000EFBEADDE |  
  
POP rg0 ; Pop the most recent non-popped item from the stack into rg0  
  
; rso = 8176  
; | Addresses | 8168..8175 || 8176..8183 | 8184..8191 |  
; | Value | ???????????????? || 00000000BAB0FECA | 00000000EFBEADDE |  
; rg0 = 0xD00D2BAD  
  
POP rg0 ; Pop the most recent non-popped item from the stack into rg0  
  
; rso = 8184  
; | Addresses | 8168..8175 | 8176..8183 || 8184..8191 |  
; | Value | ???????????????? | ???????????????? || 00000000EFBEADDE |  
; rg0 = 0xCAFEB0BA

### Using the Stack to Preserve Registers

A common use of the stack is to store the value of a register, use the register for a purpose that differs from its original one, then restore the register to the stored value. This is particularly useful in sections of reusable code (such as subroutines) where you cannot guarantee whether a register will be in use or not.

An example of this is as follows:

MVQ rg0, 45  
ADD rg0, 20  
; rg0 is 65  
  
PSH rg0 ; Push the current value of rg0 to the stack  
MVQ rg0, 200  
MUL rg0, 10  
; rg0 is 2000  
  
POP rg0 ; Pop the old rg0 back into rg0  
; rg0 is back to 65

## Subroutines

A subroutine is a section of a program that can be specially jumped to (**called**) from multiple different points in a program. They differ from a standard jump in that the position in the program that a subroutine is called from is stored automatically, so can be **returned** to at any point with ease. This makes reusing the same section of code across different parts of a program, or even across different programs, much easier.

Subroutines are defined with a label as with any other form of jump destination — to call one, use the CAL instruction with either the label or a pointer to that label. Once you are within a subroutine, you can return to the calling location with the RET instruction, no operands required.

An example of a simple subroutine:

MVQ rg0, 5  
CAL :ADD\_TO\_RG0  
; rg0 is now 15  
  
MVQ rg1, :&ADD\_TO\_RG0  
MVQ rg0, 46  
CAL \*rg1  
; rg0 is now 56  
  
HLT  
  
:ADD\_TO\_RG0  
ADD rg0, 10  
RET

Specifically, RET will cause rpo to be updated to the address storing the opcode directly after the CAL instruction that was used to call the subroutine. Unless they are halting the program, subroutines should always exit with a RET instruction and nothing else.

### Fast Calling

The CAL instruction can also take an optional second operand: a value to pass to the subroutine. This is called **fast calling** or **fast passing**; the passed value gets stored in rfp and can be any one of a register, literal, label, or pointer. More info on the behaviour of the register itself and how it should be used can be found in its part of the registers section. Parameters are always 64-bit values, so when passing a label or a register, 8 bytes of memory will always be read.

An example of subroutines utilising fast calling:

:SUBROUTINE\_ONE  
ADD rfp, 1  
MVQ rg0, rfp  
RET  
  
:SUBROUTINE\_TWO  
ADD rfp, 2  
MVQ rg0, rfp  
RET  
  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_ONE, 4 ; This will implicitly set rfp to 4  
; rg0 is now 5  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_TWO, 6 ; This will implicitly set rfp to 6  
; rg0 is now 8

### Return Values

The RET instruction can also take an optional operand to return a value. Return values can be registers, literals, labels, or pointers, and are stored in rrv. As with fast pass parameters, return values are always 64-bits/8 bytes. The exact behaviour and usage of the register can be found in its part of the registers section.

Here is the above example for fast calling adapted to use return values:

:SUBROUTINE\_ONE  
ADD rfp, 1  
RET rfp ; Return, setting rrv to the value of rfp  
  
:SUBROUTINE\_TWO  
ADD rfp, 2  
RET rfp ; Return, setting rrv to the value of rfp  
  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_ONE, 4  
; rrv is now 5  
CAL :SUBROUTINE\_TWO, 6  
; rrv is now 8

### Subroutines and the Stack

In order to store the address to return to when using subroutines, the stack is utilised. Every time the CAL instruction is used, the address of the next opcode, and the current value of rsb, are pushed to the stack in that order. rsb and rso will then be updated to the new address of the top of the stack (the address where rsb was pushed to). rsb will continue to point here (the **base**) until another subroutine is called or the subroutine is returned from. rso will continue to update as normal as items are popped to and pushed from the stack, always pointing to the top of it. The area from the current **base** (rsb) to the top of the stack (rso) is called the current **stack frame**. Multiple stack frames can be stacked on top of each other if a subroutine is called from another subroutine.

When returning from a subroutine, the opposite is performed. rsb, and rpo are popped off the top of the stack, thereby continuing execution as it was before the subroutine was called. All values apart from these two must be popped off the stack before using the RET instruction (you can ensure this by moving the value of rsb into rso). After returning rso will point to the same address as when the function was called.

If you utilise registers in a subroutine, you should use the stack to ensure that the value of each modified register is returned to its initial value before returning from the subroutine. See the above section on using the stack to preserve registers for info on how to do this.

### Passing Multiple Parameters

The CAL instruction can only take a single data parameter, however, there may be situations where multiple values need to be passed to a subroutine; it is best to use the stack in situations such as these. Before calling the subroutine, push any values you want to act as parameters to the subroutine, to the stack. Once the subroutine has been called, you can use rsb to calculate the address that each parameter will be stored at. To access the first parameter (the last one pushed before calling), you need to account for the two automatically pushed values first. These, along with every other value in the stack, are all 8 bytes long, so adding 16 (8 \* 2) to rsb will get you the address of this parameter (you should do this in another register, rsb should be left unmodified). To access any subsequent parameters, simply add another 8 on top of this.

For example:

PSH 4 ; Parameter D  
PSH 3 ; Parameter C  
PSH 2 ; Parameter B  
CAL :SUBROUTINE, 1 ; Parameter A (rfp)  
; rrv is now 10  
  
:SUBROUTINE  
PSH rg0 ; Preserve the value of rg0  
  
MVQ rg0, rsb  
ADD rg0, 16 ; Parameter B  
ADD rfp, \*rg0  
; rfp is now 3  
ADD rg0, 8 ; Parameter C  
ADD rfp, \*rg0  
; rfp is now 6  
ADD rg0, 8 ; Parameter D  
ADD rfp, \*rg0  
; rfp is now 10  
  
POP rg0 ; Restore rg0 to its original value  
RET rfp

## Allocating Memory Regions

AssEmbly has support for dynamically allocating regions of memory with a given size. This is optional, as memory does not have to be allocated for you to be able to read and write to it. Utilising dynamic memory allocation, however, can help you ensure that you have enough unused memory for the operation you wish to perform, and that you have a region of memory separated from any other. It also allows you to have many different memory regions without having to calculate the start addresses and region placement yourself. Instructions related to memory allocation are all found in the Memory Allocation Extension Set, and have mnemonics prefixed with HEAP\_.

Memory regions can be allocated, re-allocated, and freed. All allocated regions should be freed once you are finished working with them to prevent memory leaks, which can lead to a situation where you may run out of memory by continually allocating memory without freeing it, as memory regions **cannot** overlap.

The regions of memory occupied by the loaded program bytes and the stack are also considered allocated regions, and will never be overlapped by user allocated regions. The size of the stack region will dynamically update as the stack is pushed to and popped from.

### Allocating a New Region

There are two instructions that can be used to allocate a new region of memory: HEAP\_ALC and HEAP\_TRY. Both allocate an exact number of bytes given in the second operand as either a value in a register, a literal value, or a value in memory given by a label or pointer. After allocating, the instructions store the memory address of the first byte in the newly allocated block in a register given as the first operand. If an error occurs while allocating memory (for example if there is not enough free memory remaining), HEAP\_ALC will throw an error, stopping execution of the program immediately, whereas HEAP\_TRY will set the value of the destination register to -1 (0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF) and execution will continue.

For example, assuming memory is 8192 bytes in size:

HEAP\_TRY rg0, 20  
; rg0 now stores the memory address to the first byte in a 20 byte long region  
  
MVQ rg1, 10\_000 ; The value of a register can also be used as the amount of bytes to allocate  
HEAP\_TRY rg2, rg1  
; rg2 is now -1, as the allocation failed. No further memory has been allocated  
  
HEAP\_ALC rg3, 10\_000  
; An error is thrown, execution stops

Allocated blocks of memory are always **contiguous**, meaning each byte of a region will follow one after the other - a region will never be split into multiple parts. The first address of a memory region is the only address that can be used to identify it with re-allocation/free instructions, so it is important you keep track of it until the region has been freed.

Allocated regions also do **not** automatically have their contents set to 0 or any other value. The contents of memory in the region will remain unchanged from before it was allocated.

### Re-allocating an Existing Region

You can change the size of a memory region after it has been allocated by *re-allocating* it - there are specific re-allocation instructions to do this. They take a register as the first operand, which is used both as the source for the starting address of the memory region to re-allocate, as well as the destination to store the starting address of the re-allocated region. The second operand is the number of bytes to use as the new size for the region, the same as with the allocation instructions.

Regions can either be expanded or shrunk. As with allocation, neither will modify any values in memory. When a region shrinks, or when a region is expanded and has enough free contiguous memory following it to do so without being moved, the starting address of the region will remain unchanged. If there is not enough free contiguous memory following a region to expand it without moving it, then the starting address of the region will change, and all of the bytes in the old region will be copied to the new region. Bytes beyond the length of the old region but still within the new region will remain unchanged. The new region may overlap the old region. If the start address of a region does change after re-allocation, the old start address will no longer be a valid pointer corresponding to the region. You do not need to free the old address, only the newly allocated region needs freeing.

Similarly to allocation, there are two instructions for performing a re-allocation: HEAP\_REA and HEAP\_TRE. HEAP\_REA will throw an error if the re-allocation fails, stopping execution, whereas HEAP\_TRE will set the value of the destination register to either -1 (0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF) or -2 (0xFFFFFFFFFFFFFFFE) if the re-allocation fails. -1 means that there was not enough free memory to perform the re-allocation, -2 means that the address in the first operand did not correspond to the start of an already mapped memory region. If a re-allocation does fail after using the HEAP\_TRE instruction, the old region **will still be allocated** with its original size. The register holding the address will have been overwritten with the error code, however, so it is important to have the original address stored elsewhere as a backup when using the HEAP\_TRE instruction.

### Freeing an Allocated Region

Once you have finished working with a region of memory, you must explicitly free it. Failing to do so will result in the region remaining allocated, leaving its bytes unavailable for any future allocations. This is called a **memory leak** (or **leaking memory**), and if it is done repeatedly, you may end up in a situation where you completely run out of available memory and are unable to make any more allocations.

To free a region, give the starting address of the region to free in a register as the first and only operand to the HEAP\_FRE instruction. The region will be immediately freed for use in future allocations and the first address of the region will no longer be considered a valid region pointer. Freeing a region does not in and of itself affect the contents of memory in said region, however it does erase the guarantee that no other regions will be present there, so you should not rely on memory values staying the same at any point after a region has been freed.

Attempting to free a region with an invalid region pointer will result in an error, stopping execution. There is no instruction to “try” freeing a pointer like there is with re-allocation. You cannot free the memory regions used by the loaded program or the stack.

### Memory Fragmentation

As a consequence of memory regions being contiguous, the maximum number of bytes you can allocate at once may be less than the total number of unallocated bytes in memory.

Consider the following situation, assuming we’re starting with 32 bytes of free memory:

HEAP\_ALC rg0, 4 ; Region "A"  
HEAP\_ALC rg1, 4 ; Region "B"  
HEAP\_ALC rg2, 4 ; Region "C"  
HEAP\_ALC rg3, 4 ; Region "D"

Our mapped memory currently looks like this (. corresponds to free memory):

AAAABBBBCCCCDDDD................

Now what if we free Region B?

HEAP\_FRE rg1

Our memory now looks like this:

AAAA....CCCCDDDD................

Freeing a region does not cause the other regions to move, so even though we now have 20 free bytes in memory, we cannot allocate any more than 16 into a single region, as it would require the region to be split across multiple ranges, which is not valid. This ultimately means that the most memory you can allocate in a single region is the number of bytes in the **largest contiguous region of unallocated memory**. Attempting to allocate 17+ bytes in this situation would produce the same result as attempting to allocate without enough free total memory.

## Interoperating with C# Code

It is possible to execute external code from .NET assembly files in AssEmbly. These external methods have the ability to both read from and write to the AssEmbly processor’s memory and registers. An optional value can also be passed to the external method upon calling to prevent needing to go through registers or memory for a single parameter.

### Writing and Compiling a Compatible C# Program

In order for AssEmbly to detect an external method within a .NET DLL, it must be located immediately within a class named AssEmblyInterop that is not located within any defined namespace (i.e. it is in the global namespace alias). The method itself *must* be public and static, and *must* have three parameters with the following types **in order**: byte[], ulong[], and ulong?. These correspond to memory, registers, and the passed value respectively, though the parameters’ names, along with the name of the method itself, can be anything you wish. The method’s return type should be void, as any returned value will be ignored by AssEmbly. The passed value parameter will be null if no value is given from AssEmbly.

An example C# program may look like this:

using System;  
  
// Note the class is not in a namespace  
public static class AssEmblyInterop  
{  
 public static void YourMethod(byte[] memory, ulong[] registers, ulong? passedValue)  
 {  
 // Methods can read memory...  
 byte value = memory[0xFF];  
 // Or write to it...  
 memory[0xFF] = 12;  
  
 // They can read registers...  
 ulong rg0 = registers[6]; // 6 = rg0, see the registers table for the byte values of each register  
 // Or write to them...  
 registers[6] = 9000;  
   
 // Or do anything else that a normal C# program can do  
 if (passedValue == null)  
 {  
 Console.WriteLine("You need to pass a value!");  
 return;  
 }  
  
 Console.WriteLine($"Your value: {passedValue}");  
 }  
  
 public static void YourOtherMethod(byte[] memory, ulong[] registers, ulong? passedValue)  
 {  
 // Your code here...  
 }  
}

In order to compile a single C# source file into a .NET DLL, you can use the csc tool included with Visual Studio. The command csc /t:library <file\_name>.cs will compile the given C# script into a .NET Framework assembly with the name <file\_name>.dll. While AssEmbly is capable of loading .NET Core DLLs, .NET Framework is recommended to prevent potential dependency issues. More complex C# projects using a .csproj file can also be used, as long as there is a resulting assembly with the AssEmblyInterop class in its global namespace.

### Accessing Methods from an AssEmbly Program

For AssEmbly to load a DLL and methods within it, their names need to be defined as null-terminated strings in memory, similarly to when performing file operations. DLL paths can either be relative (i.e. MyAsm.dll or Folder/MyAsm.dll), or absolute (i.e. Drive:/Folder/Folder/MyAsm.dll). Method names should not include the AssEmblyInterop class name. Only a single assembly can be loaded at once, and only a single method from that assembly can be loaded at a time.

To load an assembly, use the ASMX\_LDA instruction with either a label or a pointer to the null-terminated file path. Once an assembly is loaded, you can load a function from it with ASMX\_LDF, with a label or pointer to the null-terminated method name. Once an assembly is loaded, you can load and unload methods from it as many times as you like. The current function must be closed with ASMX\_CLF before you can load another, and the current assembly must be closed with ASMX\_CLA before another can be opened. ASMX\_CLA will automatically close the open function as well if one is still loaded when it is used.

Once both an assembly and function are loaded, you can use the ASMX\_CAL instruction with an optional operand to use as the passed value in order to call it.

Here is an example program that utilises a method from the C# example above:

ASMX\_LDA :DLL\_PATH ; Load the assembly  
ASMX\_LDF :FUNC\_PATH ; Load the function from the assembly  
  
ASMX\_CAL ; Call the loaded function with null as the passed value  
ASMX\_CAL 20 ; Call the loaded function with the literal value of 20 as the passed value  
ASMX\_CAL rg0 ; Call the loaded function with the value in rg0 as the passed value  
  
ASMX\_CLF ; Close the function  
ASMX\_CLA ; Close the assembly  
  
HLT ; Halt the processor before it reaches data  
  
:DLL\_PATH  
DAT "MyAsm.dll\0"  
  
:FUNC\_PATH  
DAT "YourMethod\0"

Executing this program results in the following console output:

You need to pass a value!  
Your value: 20  
Your value: 9000

9000 is printed on the final line as rg0 was set to 9000 in both of the prior external function calls.

### Testing if an Assembly or Function Exists

The ASMX\_LDA and ASMX\_LDF instructions will throw an error, stopping execution, if the path/name they are given does not correspond to a valid target to load. If you wish to test whether or not this will happen without crashing the program, you can use the ASMX\_AEX and ASMX\_FEX instructions. They both take a register as their first operand, then the label or pointer to the null-terminated target string as their second. If the target assembly/function exists and is valid, the value of the first operand register will be set to 1, otherwise it will be set to 0. An assembly must already be loaded in order to check the validity of a function, as only the currently open assembly will be searched.

## Text Encoding

All text in AssEmbly (input from/output to the console; strings inserted by DAT; strings given to OFL, DFL, FEX, etc.) is encoded in UTF-8. This means that all characters that are a part of the ASCII character set only take up a single byte, though some characters may take as many as 4 bytes to store fully.

Be aware that when working with characters that require multiple bytes, instructions like RCC, RFC, WCC, and WFC still only work on single bytes at a time. As long as you read/write all of the UTF-8 bytes in the correct order, they should be stored and displayed correctly.

Text bytes read from files **will not** be automatically converted to UTF-8 if the file was saved with another encoding.

## Escape Sequences

There are some sequences of characters that have special meanings when found inside a string or character literal. Each of these begins with a backslash (\) character and are used to insert characters that couldn’t be included normally. Every supported sequence is as follows:

| Escape sequence | Character name | Notes |
| --- | --- | --- |
| \" | Double quote | Used to insert a double quote into a string without causing the string to end. Not required in single character literals. |
| \' | Single quote | Used to insert a single quote into a single character literal without causing the literal to end. Not required in string literals. |
| \\ | Backslash | For a string to contain a backslash, you must escape it so it isn’t treated as the start of an escape sequence. |
| \0 | Null | ASCII 0x00. Should be used to terminate every string. |
| \a | Alert | ASCII 0x07. |
| \b | Backspace | ASCII 0x08. |
| \f | Form feed | ASCII 0x0C. |
| \n | Newline | ASCII 0x0A. Will cause the string to move onto a new console/file line when printed. Should be preceded by \r on Windows. |
| \r | Carriage return | ASCII 0x0D. |
| \t | Horizontal tab | ASCII 0x09. |
| \v | Vertical tab | ASCII 0x0B. |
| \u.... | Unicode codepoint (16-bit) | Inserts the unicode character with a codepoint represented by 4 hexadecimal digits in the range 0x0000 to 0xFFFF. |
| \U........ | Unicode codepoint (32-bit) | Inserts the unicode character with a codepoint represented by 8 hexadecimal digits in the range 0x00000000 to 0x0010FFFF, excluding 0x0000d800 to 0x0000dfff. |

## Instruction Data Type Acceptance

The following is a table of which types of numeric data can be given to each instruction and have them function as expected. AssEmbly **does not** keep track of data types, it is your responsibility to do so. If you use the wrong instruction for the type of data you have, it is unlikely you will receive an error — you will most likely simply get an unexpected answer, as the processor is interpreting the data as a valid, but different, numeric value in a different format.

If an instruction supports signed integers but not unsigned integers, the instruction *will* still accept positive values, but those positive values must be below the signed limit (9,223,372,036,854,775,807), or they will be erroneously interpreted as negative.

* O = Instruction accepts the data type
* X = Instruction does not accept the data type
* (...) = Instruction accepts the data type, but see the numbered footnote below the table for additional information to keep in mind

Instructions that don’t take any data or are otherwise not applicable have been omitted.

| Instruction | Unsigned Integer | Signed Integer | Floating Point |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ADD | O | O | X |
| ICR | O | O | X |
| SUB | O | O | X |
| DCR | O | O | X |
| MUL | O | O | X |
| DIV | O | X | X |
| DVR | O | X | X |
| REM | O | X | X |
| SHL | O | O | X |
| SHR | O | (1) | X |
| AND | O | (2) | X |
| ORR | O | (2) | X |
| XOR | O | (2) | X |
| NOT | O | (2) | X |
| TST | O | (2) | X |
| CMP | O | X | X |
| MVB | O | (3) | X |
| MVW | O | (3) | X |
| MVD | O | (3) | X |
| MVQ | O | O | O |
| PSH | O | O | O |
| CAL | O | O | O |
| RET | O | O | O |
| WCN | O | X | X |
| WCB | O | X | X |
| WCX | O | X | X |
| WCC | O | X | X |
| WFN | O | X | X |
| WFB | O | X | X |
| WFX | O | X | X |
| WFC | O | X | X |
| SIGN\_DIV | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_DVR | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_REM | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_SHR | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_MVB | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_MVW | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_MVD | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_WCN | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_WCB | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_WFN | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_WFB | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_EXB | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_EXW | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_EXD | X | O | X |
| SIGN\_NEG | X | O | X |
| FLPT\_ADD | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_SUB | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_MUL | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_DIV | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_DVR | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_REM | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_SIN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_ASN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_COS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_ACS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_TAN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_ATN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_PTN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_POW | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_LOG | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_WCN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_WFN | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_EXH | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_EXS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_SHS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_SHH | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_NEG | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_UTF | O | X | X |
| FLPT\_STF | X | O | X |
| FLPT\_FTS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_FCS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_FFS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_FNS | X | X | O |
| FLPT\_CMP | X | X | O |
| EXTD\_BSW | (4) | (4) | (4) |
| HEAP\_ALC | O | X | X |
| HEAP\_TRY | O | X | X |
| HEAP\_REA | O | X | X |
| HEAP\_TRE | O | X | X |

1. Signed integers *can* still be used with SHR, though it will perform a logical shift, not an arithmetic one, which may or may not be what you desire. See the section on Arithmetic Right Shifting for the difference.
2. Bitwise operations on signed integers will treat the sign bit like any other, there is no special logic involving it.
3. Using smaller-than-64-bit move instructions on signed integers if the target is a label or pointer will work as expected, truncating the upper bits. If the target is a register, however, you may wish to use the signed versions to automatically extend the smaller integer to a signed 64-bit one so it is correctly interpreted by other instructions.
4. Reversing the byte order of a register can work on any data type, however, registers **must** be in little endian order *after* reversing to have their value correctly interpreted by other instructions (this does not apply to instructions where the format of the register’s value is unimportant, such as with MVQ).

## Status Flag Behaviour

* 0 = Instruction always unsets flag
* 1 = Instruction always sets flag
* (...) = Instruction sets flag if the given condition is satisfied, otherwise it unsets it
* [...] = Instruction sets flag if the given condition is satisfied, otherwise it maintains its current value
* {...} = Instruction unsets flag if the given condition is satisfied, otherwise it maintains its current value
* X = Instruction does not affect flag
* STD = Instruction uses standard behaviour for flag according to result, unaffected by operands. They are as follows:
  + For zero flag, set if the result is equal to 0, otherwise unset (for floating point operations, -0 is considered equal to 0 and will set the zero flag)
  + For sign flag, set if the most significant bit of the result is set, otherwise unset

| Instruction | Zero | Carry | File End | Sign | Overflow |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| HLT | X | X | X | X | X |
| NOP | X | X | X | X | X |
| JMP | X | X | X | X | X |
| JEQ / JZO | X | X | X | X | X |
| JNE / JNZ | X | X | X | X | X |
| JLT / JCA | X | X | X | X | X |
| JLE | X | X | X | X | X |
| JGT | X | X | X | X | X |
| JGE / JNC | X | X | X | X | X |
| ADD | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as unsigned) | X | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as signed) |
| ICR | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as unsigned) | X | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as signed) |
| SUB | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as unsigned) | X | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as signed) |
| DCR | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as unsigned) | X | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as signed) |
| MUL | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as both unsigned and signed) | X | STD | 0 |
| DIV | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| DVR | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| REM | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SHL | STD | (Any 1 bit was shifted past MSB) | X | STD | 0 |
| SHR | STD | (Any 1 bit was shifted past LSB) | X | STD | 0 |
| AND | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| ORR | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| XOR | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| NOT | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| RNG | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| TST | STD | X | X | STD | X |
| CMP | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as unsigned) | X | STD | (Result is unrepresentable as signed) |
| MVB | X | X | X | X | X |
| MVW | X | X | X | X | X |
| MVD | X | X | X | X | X |
| MVQ | X | X | X | X | X |
| PSH | X | X | X | X | X |
| POP | X | X | X | X | X |
| CAL | X | X | X | X | X |
| RET | X | X | X | X | X |
| WCN | X | X | X | X | X |
| WCB | X | X | X | X | X |
| WCX | X | X | X | X | X |
| WCC | X | X | X | X | X |
| WFN | X | X | X | X | X |
| WFB | X | X | X | X | X |
| WFX | X | X | X | X | X |
| WFC | X | X | X | X | X |
| OFL | X | X | (File is empty) | X | X |
| CFL | X | X | X | X | X |
| DFL | X | X | X | X | X |
| FEX | X | X | X | X | X |
| FSZ | X | X | X | X | X |
| RCC | X | X | X | X | X |
| RFC | X | X | [No more unread bytes in file] | X | X |
| SIGN\_JLT | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JLE | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JGT | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JGE | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JSI | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JNS | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JOV | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_JNO | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_DIV | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_DVR | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_REM | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_SHR | STD | (Any bit not equal to the sign bit was shifted past LSB) | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_MVB | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_MVW | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_MVD | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_WCN | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_WCB | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_WFN | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_WFB | X | X | X | X | X |
| SIGN\_EXB | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_EXW | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_EXD | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| SIGN\_NEG | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_ADD | STD | (Result is less than the initial value) | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_SUB | STD | (Result is greater than the initial value) | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_MUL | STD | (Result is less than the initial value) | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_DIV | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_DVR | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_REM | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_SIN | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_ASN | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_COS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_ACS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_TAN | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_ATN | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_PTN | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_POW | STD | (Result is less than the initial value) | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_LOG | STD | (Result is greater than the initial value) | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_WCN | X | X | X | X | X |
| FLPT\_WFN | X | X | X | X | X |
| FLPT\_EXH | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_EXS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_SHS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_SHH | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_NEG | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_UTF | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_STF | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_FTS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_FCS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_FFS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_FNS | STD | 0 | X | STD | 0 |
| FLPT\_CMP | STD | (Value of first operand is less than second) | X | STD | 0 |
| EXTD\_BSW | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_LDA | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_LDF | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_CLA | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_CLF | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_AEX | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_FEX | X | X | X | X | X |
| ASMX\_CAL | X | X | X | X | X |
| HEAP\_ALC | X | X | X | X | X |
| HEAP\_TRY | X | X | X | X | X |
| HEAP\_REA | X | X | X | X | X |
| HEAP\_TRE | X | X | X | X | X |
| HEAP\_FRE | X | X | X | X | X |

## Full Instruction Reference

### Base Instruction Set

Extension set number 0x00, opcodes start with 0xFF, 0x00. Contains the core features of the architecture, remaining mostly unchanged by updates.

Note that for the base instruction set (number 0x00) *only*, the leading 0xFF, 0x00 to specify the extension set can be omitted, as the processor will automatically treat opcodes not starting with 0xFF as base instruction set opcodes.

| Mnemonic | Full Name | Operands | Function | Instruction Code |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Control** |  |  |  |  |
| HLT | Halt | - | Stops the processor from executing the program | 0x00 |
| NOP | No Operation | - | Do nothing | 0x01 |
| **Jumping** |  |  |  |  |
| JMP | Jump | Address | Jump unconditionally to an address in a label | 0x02 |
| JMP | Jump | Pointer | Jump unconditionally to an address in a register | 0x03 |
| JEQ / JZO | Jump if Equal / Jump if Zero | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the zero status flag is set | 0x04 |
| JEQ / JZO | Jump if Equal / Jump if Zero | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the zero status flag is set | 0x05 |
| JNE / JNZ | Jump if not Equal / Jump if not Zero | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the zero status flag is unset | 0x06 |
| JNE / JNZ | Jump if not Equal / Jump if not Zero | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the zero status flag is unset | 0x07 |
| JLT / JCA | Jump if Less Than / Jump if Carry | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the carry status flag is set | 0x08 |
| JLT / JCA | Jump if Less Than / Jump if Carry | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the carry status flag is set | 0x09 |
| JLE | Jump if Less Than or Equal To | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if either the carry or zero flags are set | 0x0A |
| JLE | Jump if Less Than or Equal To | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if either the carry or zero flags are set | 0x0B |
| JGT | Jump if Greater Than | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if both the carry and zero flags are unset | 0x0C |
| JGT | Jump if Greater Than | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if both the carry and zero flags are unset | 0x0D |
| JGE / JNC | Jump if Greater Than or Equal To / Jump if no Carry | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the carry status flag is unset | 0x0E |
| JGE / JNC | Jump if Greater Than or Equal To / Jump if no Carry | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the carry status flag is unset | 0x0F |
| **Math** |  |  |  |  |
| ADD | Add | Register, Register | Add the contents of one register to another | 0x10 |
| ADD | Add | Register, Literal | Add a literal value to the contents of a register | 0x11 |
| ADD | Add | Register, Address | Add the contents of memory at an address in a label to a register | 0x12 |
| ADD | Add | Register, Pointer | Add the contents of memory at an address in a register to a register | 0x13 |
| ICR | Increment | Register | Increment the contents of a register by 1 | 0x14 |
| SUB | Subtract | Register, Register | Subtract the contents of one register from another | 0x20 |
| SUB | Subtract | Register, Literal | Subtract a literal value from the contents of a register | 0x21 |
| SUB | Subtract | Register, Address | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a label from a register | 0x22 |
| SUB | Subtract | Register, Pointer | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a register from a register | 0x23 |
| DCR | Decrement | Register | Decrement the contents of a register by 1 | 0x24 |
| MUL | Multiply | Register, Register | Multiply the contents of one register by another | 0x30 |
| MUL | Multiply | Register, Literal | Multiply the contents of a register by a literal value | 0x31 |
| MUL | Multiply | Register, Address | Multiply a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x32 |
| MUL | Multiply | Register, Pointer | Multiply a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x33 |
| DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, discarding the remainder | 0x40 |
| DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, discarding the remainder | 0x41 |
| DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, discarding the remainder | 0x42 |
| DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, discarding the remainder | 0x43 |
| DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, storing the remainder | 0x44 |
| DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, storing the remainder | 0x45 |
| DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, storing the remainder | 0x46 |
| DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, storing the remainder | 0x47 |
| REM | Remainder Only | Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, storing only the remainder | 0x48 |
| REM | Remainder Only | Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, storing only the remainder | 0x49 |
| REM | Remainder Only | Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, storing only the remainder | 0x4A |
| REM | Remainder Only | Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, storing only the remainder | 0x4B |
| SHL | Shift Left | Register, Register | Shift the bits of one register left by another register | 0x50 |
| SHL | Shift Left | Register, Literal | Shift the bits of a register left by a literal value | 0x51 |
| SHL | Shift Left | Register, Address | Shift the bits of a register left by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x52 |
| SHL | Shift Left | Register, Pointer | Shift the bits of a register left by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x53 |
| SHR | Shift Right | Register, Register | Shift the bits of one register right by another register | 0x54 |
| SHR | Shift Right | Register, Literal | Shift the bits of a register right by a literal value | 0x55 |
| SHR | Shift Right | Register, Address | Shift the bits of a register right by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x56 |
| SHR | Shift Right | Register, Pointer | Shift the bits of a register right by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x57 |
| **Bitwise** |  |  |  |  |
| AND | Bitwise And | Register, Register | Bitwise and one register by another | 0x60 |
| AND | Bitwise And | Register, Literal | Bitwise and a register by a literal value | 0x61 |
| AND | Bitwise And | Register, Address | Bitwise and a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x62 |
| AND | Bitwise And | Register, Pointer | Bitwise and a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x63 |
| ORR | Bitwise Or | Register, Register | Bitwise or one register by another | 0x64 |
| ORR | Bitwise Or | Register, Literal | Bitwise or a register by a literal value | 0x65 |
| ORR | Bitwise Or | Register, Address | Bitwise or a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x66 |
| ORR | Bitwise Or | Register, Pointer | Bitwise or a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x67 |
| XOR | Bitwise Exclusive Or | Register, Register | Bitwise exclusive or one register by another | 0x68 |
| XOR | Bitwise Exclusive Or | Register, Literal | Bitwise exclusive or a register by a literal value | 0x69 |
| XOR | Bitwise Exclusive Or | Register, Address | Bitwise exclusive or a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x6A |
| XOR | Bitwise Exclusive Or | Register, Pointer | Bitwise exclusive or a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x6B |
| NOT | Bitwise Not | Register | Invert each bit of a register | 0x6C |
| RNG | Random Number Generator | Register | Randomise each bit of a register | 0x6D |
| **Comparison** |  |  |  |  |
| TST | Test | Register, Register | Bitwise and two registers, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x70 |
| TST | Test | Register, Literal | Bitwise and a register and a literal value, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x71 |
| TST | Test | Register, Address | Bitwise and a register and the contents of memory at an address in a label, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x72 |
| TST | Test | Register, Pointer | Bitwise and a register and the contents of memory at an address in a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x73 |
| CMP | Compare | Register, Register | Subtract a register from another, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x74 |
| CMP | Compare | Register, Literal | Subtract a literal value from a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x75 |
| CMP | Compare | Register, Address | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a label from a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x76 |
| CMP | Compare | Register, Pointer | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a register from a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0x77 |
| **Data Moving** |  |  |  |  |
| MVB | Move Byte | Register, Register | Move the lower 8-bits of one register to another | 0x80 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Register, Literal | Move the lower 8-bits of a literal value to a register | 0x81 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Register, Address | Move 8-bits of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register | 0x82 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Register, Pointer | Move 8-bits of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register | 0x83 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Address, Register | Move the lower 8-bits of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x84 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Address, Literal | Move the lower 8-bits of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x85 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Pointer, Register | Move the lower 8-bits of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x86 |
| MVB | Move Byte | Pointer, Literal | Move the lower 8-bits of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x87 |
| MVW | Move Word | Register, Register | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of one register to another | 0x88 |
| MVW | Move Word | Register, Literal | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of a literal value to a register | 0x89 |
| MVW | Move Word | Register, Address | Move 16-bits (2 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register | 0x8A |
| MVW | Move Word | Register, Pointer | Move 16-bits (2 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register | 0x8B |
| MVW | Move Word | Address, Register | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x8C |
| MVW | Move Word | Address, Literal | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x8D |
| MVW | Move Word | Pointer, Register | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x8E |
| MVW | Move Word | Pointer, Literal | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x8F |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Register, Register | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of one register to another | 0x90 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Register, Literal | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of a literal value to a register | 0x91 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Register, Address | Move 32-bits (4 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register | 0x92 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Register, Pointer | Move 32-bits (4 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register | 0x93 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Address, Register | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x94 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Address, Literal | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x95 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Pointer, Register | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x96 |
| MVD | Move Double Word | Pointer, Literal | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x97 |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Register, Register | Move all 64-bits (8 bytes) of one register to another | 0x98 |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Register, Literal | Move all 64-bits (8 bytes) of a literal value to a register | 0x99 |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Register, Address | Move 64-bits (8 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register | 0x9A |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Register, Pointer | Move 64-bits (8 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register | 0x9B |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Address, Register | Move all 64-bits (8 bytes) of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x9C |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Address, Literal | Move all 64-bits (8 bytes) of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x9D |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Pointer, Register | Move all 64-bits (8 bytes) of a register to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x9E |
| MVQ | Move Quad Word | Pointer, Literal | Move all 64-bits (8 bytes) of a literal to the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x9F |
| **Stack** |  |  |  |  |
| PSH | Push to Stack | Register | Insert the value in a register to the top of the stack | 0xA0 |
| PSH | Push to Stack | Literal | Insert a literal value to the top of the stack | 0xA1 |
| PSH | Push to Stack | Address | Insert the contents of memory at an address in a label to the top of the stack | 0xA2 |
| PSH | Push to Stack | Pointer | Insert the contents of memory at an address in a register to the top of the stack | 0xA3 |
| POP | Pop from Stack | Register | Remove the value from the top of the stack and store it in a register | 0xA4 |
| **Subroutines** |  |  |  |  |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Address | Call the subroutine at an address in a label, pushing rpo and rsb to the stack | 0xB0 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Pointer | Call the subroutine at an address in a register, pushing rpo and rsb to the stack | 0xB1 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Address, Register | Call the subroutine at an address in a label, moving the value in a register to rfp | 0xB2 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Address, Literal | Call the subroutine at an address in a label, moving a literal value to rfp | 0xB3 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Address, Address | Call the subroutine at an address in a label, moving the contents of memory at an address in a label to rfp | 0xB4 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Address, Pointer | Call the subroutine at an address in a label, moving the contents of memory at an address in a register to rfp | 0xB5 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Pointer, Register | Call the subroutine at an address in a register, moving the value in a register to rfp | 0xB6 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Pointer, Literal | Call the subroutine at an address in a register, moving a literal value to rfp | 0xB7 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Pointer, Address | Call the subroutine at an address in a register, moving the contents of memory at an address in a label to rfp | 0xB8 |
| CAL | Call Subroutine | Pointer, Pointer | Call the subroutine at an address in a register, moving the contents of memory at an address in a register to rfp | 0xB9 |
| RET | Return from Subroutine | - | Pop the previous states of rsb and rpo off the stack | 0xBA |
| RET | Return from Subroutine | Register | Pop the previous states of rsb and rpo off the stack, moving the value in a register to rrv | 0xBB |
| RET | Return from Subroutine | Literal | Pop the previous states of rsb and rpo off the stack, moving a literal value to rrv | 0xBC |
| RET | Return from Subroutine | Address | Pop the previous states off the stack, moving the contents of memory at an address in a label to rrv | 0xBD |
| RET | Return from Subroutine | Pointer | Pop the previous states off the stack, moving the contents of memory at an address in a register to rrv | 0xBE |
| **Console Writing** |  |  |  |  |
| WCN | Write Number to Console | Register | Write a register value as a decimal number to the console | 0xC0 |
| WCN | Write Number to Console | Literal | Write a literal value as a decimal number to the console | 0xC1 |
| WCN | Write Number to Console | Address | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a label as a decimal number to the console | 0xC2 |
| WCN | Write Number to Console | Pointer | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a register as a decimal number to the console | 0xC3 |
| WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a decimal number to the console | 0xC4 |
| WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a decimal number to the console | 0xC5 |
| WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a decimal number to the console | 0xC6 |
| WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a decimal number to the console | 0xC7 |
| WCX | Write Hexadecimal to Console | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a hexadecimal number to the console | 0xC8 |
| WCX | Write Hexadecimal to Console | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a hexadecimal number to the console | 0xC9 |
| WCX | Write Hexadecimal to Console | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a hexadecimal number to the console | 0xCA |
| WCX | Write Hexadecimal to Console | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a hexadecimal number to the console | 0xCB |
| WCC | Write Raw Byte to Console | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a raw byte to the console | 0xCC |
| WCC | Write Raw Byte to Console | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a raw byte to the console | 0xCD |
| WCC | Write Raw Byte to Console | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a raw byte to the console | 0xCE |
| WCC | Write Raw Byte to Console | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a raw byte to the console | 0xCF |
| **File Writing** |  |  |  |  |
| WFN | Write Number to File | Register | Write a register value as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD0 |
| WFN | Write Number to File | Literal | Write a literal value as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD1 |
| WFN | Write Number to File | Address | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a label as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD2 |
| WFN | Write Number to File | Pointer | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a register as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD3 |
| WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD4 |
| WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD5 |
| WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD6 |
| WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a decimal number to the opened file | 0xD7 |
| WFX | Write Hexadecimal to File | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a hexadecimal number to the opened file | 0xD8 |
| WFX | Write Hexadecimal to File | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a hexadecimal number to the opened file | 0xD9 |
| WFX | Write Hexadecimal to File | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a hexadecimal number to the opened file | 0xDA |
| WFX | Write Hexadecimal to File | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a hexadecimal number to the opened file | 0xDB |
| WFC | Write Raw Byte to File | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a raw byte to the opened file | 0xDC |
| WFC | Write Raw Byte to File | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a raw byte to the opened file | 0xDD |
| WFC | Write Raw Byte to File | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a raw byte to the opened file | 0xDE |
| WFC | Write Raw Byte to File | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a raw byte to the opened file | 0xDF |
| **File Operations** |  |  |  |  |
| OFL | Open File | Address | Open the file at the path specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a label | 0xE0 |
| OFL | Open File | Pointer | Open the file at the path specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a register | 0xE1 |
| CFL | Close File | - | Close the currently open file | 0xE2 |
| DFL | Delete File | Address | Delete the file at the path specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a label | 0xE3 |
| DFL | Delete File | Pointer | Delete the file at the path specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a register | 0xE4 |
| FEX | File Exists | Register, Address | Store 1 in a register if the filepath specified in memory starting at an address in a label exists, else 0 | 0xE5 |
| FEX | File Exists | Register, Pointer | Store 1 in a register if the filepath specified in memory starting at an address in a register exists, else 0 | 0xE6 |
| FSZ | Get File Size | Register, Address | In a register, store the byte size of the file at the path specified in memory starting at an address in a label | 0xE7 |
| FSZ | Get File Size | Register, Pointer | In a register, store the byte size of the file at the path specified in memory starting at an address in a register | 0xE8 |
| **Reading** |  |  |  |  |
| RCC | Read Raw Byte from Console | Register | Read a raw byte from the console, storing it in a register | 0xF0 |
| RFC | Read Raw Byte from File | Register | Read the next byte from the currently open file, storing it in a register | 0xF1 |

### Signed Extension Set

Extension set number 0x01, opcodes start with 0xFF, 0x01. Contains instructions required for interacting with two’s complement signed/negative values.

| Mnemonic | Full Name | Operands | Function | Instruction Code |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Signed Conditional Jumps** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_JLT | Jump if Less Than | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the sign and overflow status flags are different | 0x00 |
| SIGN\_JLT | Jump if Less Than | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the sign and overflow status flags are different | 0x01 |
| SIGN\_JLE | Jump if Less Than or Equal To | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the sign and overflow status flags are different or the zero status flag is set | 0x02 |
| SIGN\_JLE | Jump if Less Than or Equal To | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the sign and overflow status flags are different or the zero status flag is set | 0x03 |
| SIGN\_JGT | Jump if Greater Than | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the sign and overflow status flags are the same and the zero status flag is unset | 0x04 |
| SIGN\_JGT | Jump if Greater Than | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the sign and overflow status flags are the same and the zero status flag is unset | 0x05 |
| SIGN\_JGE | Jump if Greater Than or Equal To | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the sign and overflow status flags are the same | 0x06 |
| SIGN\_JGE | Jump if Greater Than or Equal To | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the sign and overflow status flags are the same | 0x07 |
| SIGN\_JSI | Jump if Signed | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the sign status flag is set | 0x08 |
| SIGN\_JSI | Jump if Signed | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the sign status flag is set | 0x09 |
| SIGN\_JNS | Jump if not Sign | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the sign status flag is unset | 0x0A |
| SIGN\_JNS | Jump if not Sign | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only the sign status flag is unset | 0x0B |
| SIGN\_JOV | Jump if Overflow | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the overflow status flag is set | 0x0C |
| SIGN\_JOV | Jump if Overflow | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the overflow status flag is set | 0x0D |
| SIGN\_JNO | Jump if not Overflow | Address | Jump to an address in a label only if the overflow status flag is unset | 0x0E |
| SIGN\_JNO | Jump if not Overflow | Pointer | Jump to an address in a register only if the overflow status flag is unset | 0x0F |
| **Math** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, discarding the remainder | 0x10 |
| SIGN\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, discarding the remainder | 0x11 |
| SIGN\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, discarding the remainder | 0x12 |
| SIGN\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, discarding the remainder | 0x13 |
| SIGN\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, storing the remainder | 0x14 |
| SIGN\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, storing the remainder | 0x15 |
| SIGN\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, storing the remainder | 0x16 |
| SIGN\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, storing the remainder | 0x17 |
| SIGN\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, storing only the remainder | 0x18 |
| SIGN\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, storing only the remainder | 0x19 |
| SIGN\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, storing only the remainder | 0x1A |
| SIGN\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, storing only the remainder | 0x1B |
| SIGN\_SHR | Arithmetic Shift Right | Register, Register | Shift the bits of one register right by another register, preserving the sign of the original value | 0x20 |
| SIGN\_SHR | Arithmetic Shift Right | Register, Literal | Shift the bits of a register right by a literal value, preserving the sign of the original value | 0x21 |
| SIGN\_SHR | Arithmetic Shift Right | Register, Address | Shift the bits of a register right by the contents of memory at an address in a label, preserving the sign of the original value | 0x22 |
| SIGN\_SHR | Arithmetic Shift Right | Register, Pointer | Shift the bits of a register right by the contents of memory at an address in a register, preserving the sign of the original value | 0x23 |
| **Sign-Extending Data Moves** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_MVB | Move Byte, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Register | Move the lower 8-bits of one register to another, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x30 |
| SIGN\_MVB | Move Byte, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Literal | Move the lower 8-bits of a literal value to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x31 |
| SIGN\_MVB | Move Byte, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Address | Move 8-bits of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x32 |
| SIGN\_MVB | Move Byte, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Pointer | Move 8-bits of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x33 |
| SIGN\_MVW | Move Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Register | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of one register to another, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x34 |
| SIGN\_MVW | Move Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Literal | Move the lower 16-bits (2 bytes) of a literal value to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x35 |
| SIGN\_MVW | Move Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Address | Move 16-bits (2 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x36 |
| SIGN\_MVW | Move Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Pointer | Move 16-bits (2 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x37 |
| SIGN\_MVD | Move Double Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Register | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of one register to another, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x40 |
| SIGN\_MVD | Move Double Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Literal | Move the lower 32-bits (4 bytes) of a literal value to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x41 |
| SIGN\_MVD | Move Double Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Address | Move 32-bits (4 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a label to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x42 |
| SIGN\_MVD | Move Double Word, Extend to Quad Word | Register, Pointer | Move 32-bits (4 bytes) of the contents of memory starting at an address in a register to a register, extending the resulting value to a signed 64-bit value | 0x43 |
| **Console Writing** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Register | Write a register value as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x50 |
| SIGN\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Literal | Write a literal value as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x51 |
| SIGN\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Address | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a label as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x52 |
| SIGN\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Pointer | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a register as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x53 |
| SIGN\_WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x54 |
| SIGN\_WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x55 |
| SIGN\_WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x56 |
| SIGN\_WCB | Write Numeric Byte to Console | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x57 |
| **File Writing** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_WFN | Write Number to File | Register | Write a register value as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x60 |
| SIGN\_WFN | Write Number to File | Literal | Write a literal value as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x61 |
| SIGN\_WFN | Write Number to File | Address | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a label as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x62 |
| SIGN\_WFN | Write Number to File | Pointer | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a register as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x63 |
| SIGN\_WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Register | Write the lower 8-bits of a register value as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x64 |
| SIGN\_WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Literal | Write the lower 8-bits of a literal value as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x65 |
| SIGN\_WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Address | Write contents of memory at the address in a label as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x66 |
| SIGN\_WFB | Write Numeric Byte to File | Pointer | Write contents of memory at the address in a register as a signed decimal number to the opened file | 0x67 |
| **Sign Extension** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_EXB | Extend Signed Byte to Signed Quad Word | Register | Convert the signed value in the lower 8-bits of a register to its equivalent representation as a signed 64-bit number | 0x70 |
| SIGN\_EXW | Extend Signed Word to Signed Quad Word | Register | Convert the signed value in the lower 16-bits of a register to its equivalent representation as a signed 64-bit number | 0x71 |
| SIGN\_EXD | Extend Signed Double Word to Signed Quad Word | Register | Convert the signed value in the lower 32-bits of a register to its equivalent representation as a signed 64-bit number | 0x72 |
| **Negation** |  |  |  |  |
| SIGN\_NEG | Two’s Complement Negation | Register | Replace the value in a register with its two’s complement, thereby flipping the sign of the value. | 0x80 |

### Floating Point Extension Set

Extension set number 0x02, opcodes start with 0xFF, 0x02. Contains instructions required for interacting with IEEE 754 floating point values.

| Mnemonic | Full Name | Operands | Function | Instruction Code |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Math** |  |  |  |  |
| FLPT\_ADD | Add | Register, Register | Add the contents of one register to another | 0x00 |
| FLPT\_ADD | Add | Register, Literal | Add a literal value to the contents of a register | 0x01 |
| FLPT\_ADD | Add | Register, Address | Add the contents of memory at an address in a label to a register | 0x02 |
| FLPT\_ADD | Add | Register, Pointer | Add the contents of memory at an address in a register to a register | 0x03 |
| FLPT\_SUB | Subtract | Register, Register | Subtract the contents of one register from another | 0x10 |
| FLPT\_SUB | Subtract | Register, Literal | Subtract a literal value from the contents of a register | 0x11 |
| FLPT\_SUB | Subtract | Register, Address | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a label from a register | 0x12 |
| FLPT\_SUB | Subtract | Register, Pointer | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a register from a register | 0x13 |
| FLPT\_MUL | Multiply | Register, Register | Multiply the contents of one register by another | 0x20 |
| FLPT\_MUL | Multiply | Register, Literal | Multiply the contents of a register by a literal value | 0x21 |
| FLPT\_MUL | Multiply | Register, Address | Multiply a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x22 |
| FLPT\_MUL | Multiply | Register, Pointer | Multiply a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x23 |
| FLPT\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, discarding the remainder | 0x30 |
| FLPT\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, discarding the remainder | 0x31 |
| FLPT\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, discarding the remainder | 0x32 |
| FLPT\_DIV | Integer Divide | Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, discarding the remainder | 0x33 |
| FLPT\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, storing the remainder | 0x34 |
| FLPT\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, storing the remainder | 0x35 |
| FLPT\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, storing the remainder | 0x36 |
| FLPT\_DVR | Divide With Remainder | Register, Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, storing the remainder | 0x37 |
| FLPT\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Register | Divide the contents of one register by another, storing only the remainder | 0x38 |
| FLPT\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Literal | Divide the contents of a register by a literal value, storing only the remainder | 0x39 |
| FLPT\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Address | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a label, storing only the remainder | 0x3A |
| FLPT\_REM | Remainder Only | Register, Pointer | Divide a register by the contents of memory at an address in a register, storing only the remainder | 0x3B |
| FLPT\_SIN | Sine | Register | Calculate the sine of the value in a register in radians | 0x40 |
| FLPT\_ASN | Inverse Sine | Register | Calculate the inverse sine of the value in a register in radians | 0x41 |
| FLPT\_COS | Cosine | Register | Calculate the cosine of the value in a register in radians | 0x42 |
| FLPT\_ACS | Inverse Cosine | Register | Calculate the inverse cosine of the value in a register in radians | 0x43 |
| FLPT\_TAN | Tangent | Register | Calculate the tangent of the value in a register in radians | 0x44 |
| FLPT\_ATN | Inverse Tangent | Register | Calculate the inverse tangent of the value in a register in radians | 0x45 |
| FLPT\_PTN | 2 Argument Inverse Tangent | Register, Register | Calculate the 2 argument inverse tangent between 2 registers in the order y, x | 0x46 |
| FLPT\_PTN | 2 Argument Inverse Tangent | Register, Literal | Calculate the 2 argument inverse tangent between a register and a literal in the order y, x | 0x47 |
| FLPT\_PTN | 2 Argument Inverse Tangent | Register, Address | Calculate the 2 argument inverse tangent between a register and the contents of memory at an address in a label in the order y, x | 0x48 |
| FLPT\_PTN | 2 Argument Inverse Tangent | Register, Pointer | Calculate the 2 argument inverse tangent between a register and the contents of memory at an address in a register in the order y, x | 0x49 |
| FLPT\_POW | Exponentiation | Register, Register | Calculate the value of a register raised to the power of another register | 0x50 |
| FLPT\_POW | Exponentiation | Register, Literal | Calculate the value of a register raised to the power of a literal | 0x51 |
| FLPT\_POW | Exponentiation | Register, Address | Calculate the value of a register raised to the power of the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x52 |
| FLPT\_POW | Exponentiation | Register, Pointer | Calculate the value of a register raised to the power of the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x53 |
| FLPT\_LOG | Logarithm | Register, Register | Calculate the logarithm of a register with the base from another register | 0x60 |
| FLPT\_LOG | Logarithm | Register, Literal | Calculate the logarithm of a register with the base from a literal | 0x61 |
| FLPT\_LOG | Logarithm | Register, Address | Calculate the logarithm of a register with the base from the contents of memory at an address in a label | 0x62 |
| FLPT\_LOG | Logarithm | Register, Pointer | Calculate the logarithm of a register with the base from the contents of memory at an address in a register | 0x63 |
| **Console Writing** |  |  |  |  |
| FLPT\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Register | Write a register value as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x70 |
| FLPT\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Literal | Write a literal value as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x71 |
| FLPT\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Address | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a label as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x72 |
| FLPT\_WCN | Write Number to Console | Pointer | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a register as a signed decimal number to the console | 0x73 |
| **File Writing** |  |  |  |  |
| FLPT\_WFN | Write Number to File | Register | Write a register value as a floating point decimal number to the opened file | 0x80 |
| FLPT\_WFN | Write Number to File | Literal | Write a literal value as a floating point decimal number to the opened file | 0x81 |
| FLPT\_WFN | Write Number to File | Address | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a label as a floating point decimal number to the opened file | 0x82 |
| FLPT\_WFN | Write Number to File | Pointer | Write 64-bits (4 bytes) of memory starting at the address in a register as a floating point decimal number to the opened file | 0x83 |
| **Conversions** |  |  |  |  |
| FLPT\_EXH | Extend Half Precision Float to Double Precision Float | Register | Convert the value in a register from a half-precision float (16-bits) to a double-precision float (64-bits) | 0x90 |
| FLPT\_EXS | Extend Single Precision Float to Double Precision Float | Register | Convert the value in a register from a single-precision float (32-bits) to a double-precision float (64-bits) | 0x91 |
| FLPT\_SHS | Shrink Double Precision Float to Single Precision Float | Register | Convert the value in a register from a double-precision float (64-bits) to a single-precision float (32-bits) | 0x92 |
| FLPT\_SHH | Shrink Double Precision Float to Half Precision Float | Register | Convert the value in a register from a double-precision float (64-bits) to a half-precision float (16-bits) | 0x93 |
| FLPT\_NEG | Negation | Register | Reverse the sign of the floating point number in a register, equivalent to flipping the sign bit. | 0xA0 |
| FLPT\_UTF | Convert Unsigned Quad Word to Double Precision Float | Register | Convert the unsigned value in a register to a double-precision float (64-bits) | 0xB0 |
| FLPT\_STF | Convert Signed Quad Word to Double Precision Float | Register | Convert the signed value in a register to a double-precision float (64-bits) | 0xB1 |
| FLPT\_FTS | Convert Double Precision Float to Signed Quad Word through Truncation | Register | Convert the double-precision float (64-bits) value in a register to a signed 64-bit integer by rounding toward 0 | 0xC0 |
| FLPT\_FCS | Convert Double Precision Float to Signed Quad Word through Ceiling Rounding | Register | Convert the double-precision float (64-bits) value in a register to a signed 64-bit integer by rounding to the greater integer | 0xC1 |
| FLPT\_FFS | Convert Double Precision Float to Signed Quad Word through Floor Rounding | Register | Convert the double-precision float (64-bits) value in a register to a signed 64-bit integer by rounding to the lesser integer | 0xC2 |
| FLPT\_FNS | Convert Double Precision Float to Signed Quad Word through Nearest Rounding | Register | Convert the double-precision float (64-bits) value in a register to the nearest signed 64-bit integer, rounding midpoints to the nearest even number | 0xC3 |
| **Comparison** |  |  |  |  |
| FLPT\_CMP | Compare | Register, Register | Subtract a register from another, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0xD0 |
| FLPT\_CMP | Compare | Register, Literal | Subtract a literal value from a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0xD1 |
| FLPT\_CMP | Compare | Register, Address | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a label from a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0xD2 |
| FLPT\_CMP | Compare | Register, Pointer | Subtract the contents of memory at an address in a register from a register, discarding the result whilst still updating status flags | 0xD3 |

### Extended Base Set

Extension set number 0x03, opcodes start with 0xFF, 0x03. Contains additional instructions that complement the base instruction set, but do not provide any major additional functionality.

| Mnemonic | Full Name | Operands | Function | Instruction Code |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Byte Operations** |  |  |  |  |
| EXTD\_BSW | Reverse Byte Order | Register | Reverse the byte order of a register, thereby converting little endian to big endian and vice versa | 0x00 |

### External Assembly Extension Set

Extension set number 0x04, opcodes start with 0xFF, 0x04. Contains instructions that enable interoperation with external C#/.NET programs.

| Mnemonic | Full Name | Operands | Function | Instruction Code |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Loading** |  |  |  |  |
| ASMX\_LDA | Load Assembly | Address | Open the .NET Assembly at the path specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a label | 0x00 |
| ASMX\_LDA | Load Assembly | Pointer | Open the .NET Assembly at the path specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a register | 0x01 |
| ASMX\_LDF | Load Function | Address | Open the function in the open .NET assembly with the name specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a label | 0x02 |
| ASMX\_LDF | Load Function | Pointer | Open the function in the open .NET assembly with the name specified by a 0x00 terminated string in memory starting at an address in a register | 0x03 |
| **Closing** |  |  |  |  |
| ASMX\_CLA | Close Assembly | - | Close the currently open .NET Assembly, as well as any open function | 0x10 |
| ASMX\_CLF | Close Function | - | Close the currently open function, the assembly stays open | 0x11 |
| **Validity Check** |  |  |  |  |
| ASMX\_AEX | Assembly Valid | Address | Store 1 in a register if the .NET Assembly at the path specified in memory starting at an address in a label exists and is valid, else 0 | 0x20 |
| ASMX\_AEX | Assembly Valid | Pointer | Store 1 in a register if the .NET Assembly at the path specified in memory starting at an address in a register exists and is valid, else 0 | 0x21 |
| ASMX\_FEX | Function Valid | Address | Store 1 in a register if the function with the name specified in memory starting at an address in a label exists in the open .NET Assembly and is valid, else 0 | 0x22 |
| ASMX\_FEX | Function Valid | Pointer | Store 1 in a register if the function with the name specified in memory starting at an address in a register exists in the open .NET Assembly and is valid, else 0 | 0x23 |
| **Calling** |  |  |  |  |
| ASMX\_CAL | Call External Function | - | Call the loaded external function, giving null as the passed value | 0x30 |
| ASMX\_CAL | Call External Function | Register | Call the loaded external function, giving the value of a register as the passed value | 0x31 |
| ASMX\_CAL | Call External Function | Literal | Call the loaded external function, giving a literal value as the passed value | 0x32 |
| ASMX\_CAL | Call External Function | Address | Call the loaded external function, giving the contents of memory at an address in a label as the passed value | 0x33 |
| ASMX\_CAL | Call External Function | Pointer | Call the loaded external function, giving the contents of memory at an address in a register as the passed value | 0x34 |

### Memory Allocation Extension Set

Extension set number 0x05, opcodes start with 0xFF, 0x05. Contains instructions that provide runtime memory management, ensuring that memory regions are non-overlapping and that there is enough free memory available.

| Mnemonic | Full Name | Operands | Function | Instruction Code |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Allocation** |  |  |  |  |
| HEAP\_ALC | Allocate Memory | Register, Register | Allocate a block of memory with the value of a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x00 |
| HEAP\_ALC | Allocate Memory | Register, Literal | Allocate a block of memory with a literal value as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x01 |
| HEAP\_ALC | Allocate Memory | Register, Address | Allocate a block of memory with the contents of memory at an address in a label as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x02 |
| HEAP\_ALC | Allocate Memory | Register, Pointer | Allocate a block of memory with the contents of memory at an address in a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x03 |
| HEAP\_TRY | Try Allocate Memory | Register, Register | Allocate a block of memory with the value of a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x04 |
| HEAP\_TRY | Try Allocate Memory | Register, Literal | Allocate a block of memory with a literal value as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x05 |
| HEAP\_TRY | Try Allocate Memory | Register, Address | Allocate a block of memory with the contents of memory at an address in a label as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x06 |
| HEAP\_TRY | Try Allocate Memory | Register, Pointer | Allocate a block of memory with the contents of memory at an address in a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x07 |
| **Re-allocation** |  |  |  |  |
| HEAP\_REA | Re-allocate Memory | Register, Register | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with the value of a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x10 |
| HEAP\_REA | Re-allocate Memory | Register, Literal | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with a literal value as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x11 |
| HEAP\_REA | Re-allocate Memory | Register, Address | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with the contents of memory at an address in a label as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x12 |
| HEAP\_REA | Re-allocate Memory | Register, Pointer | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with the contents of memory at an address in a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, throwing an error if the operation fails | 0x13 |
| HEAP\_TRE | Try Re-allocate Memory | Register, Register | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with the value of a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x14 |
| HEAP\_TRE | Try Re-allocate Memory | Register, Literal | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with a literal value as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x15 |
| HEAP\_TRE | Try Re-allocate Memory | Register, Address | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with the contents of memory at an address in a label as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x16 |
| HEAP\_TRE | Try Re-allocate Memory | Register, Pointer | Re-allocate a block of memory starting at the address in a register with the contents of memory at an address in a register as its size, storing the first address of the allocated block in a register, or storing -1 if the operation fails | 0x17 |
| **Freeing** |  |  |  |  |
| HEAP\_FRE | Free Memory | Register | Free a block of memory starting at the address in a register | 0x20 |

## ASCII Table

The following is a list of common characters and their corresponding byte value in decimal.

| Code (Dec) | Code (Hex) | Character |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 10 | 0A | LF (line feed, new line) |
| 13 | 0D | CR (carriage return) |
| 32 | 20 | SPACE |
| 33 | 21 | ! |
| 34 | 22 | ” |
| 35 | 23 | # |
| 36 | 24 | $ |
| 37 | 25 | % |
| 38 | 26 | & |
| 39 | 27 | ’ |
| 40 | 28 | ( |
| 41 | 29 | ) |
| 42 | 2A | \* |
| 43 | 2B | + |
| 44 | 2C | , |
| 45 | 2D | - |
| 46 | 2E | . |
| 47 | 2F | / |
| 48 | 30 | 0 |
| 49 | 31 | 1 |
| 50 | 32 | 2 |
| 51 | 33 | 3 |
| 52 | 34 | 4 |
| 53 | 35 | 5 |
| 54 | 36 | 6 |
| 55 | 37 | 7 |
| 56 | 38 | 8 |
| 57 | 39 | 9 |
| 58 | 3A | : |
| 59 | 3B | ; |
| 60 | 3C | < |
| 61 | 3D | = |
| 62 | 3E | > |
| 63 | 3F | ? |
| 64 | 40 | @ |
| 65 | 41 | A |
| 66 | 42 | B |
| 67 | 43 | C |
| 68 | 44 | D |
| 69 | 45 | E |
| 70 | 46 | F |
| 71 | 47 | G |
| 72 | 48 | H |
| 73 | 49 | I |
| 74 | 4A | J |
| 75 | 4B | K |
| 76 | 4C | L |
| 77 | 4D | M |
| 78 | 4E | N |
| 79 | 4F | O |
| 80 | 50 | P |
| 81 | 51 | Q |
| 82 | 52 | R |
| 83 | 53 | S |
| 84 | 54 | T |
| 85 | 55 | U |
| 86 | 56 | V |
| 87 | 57 | W |
| 88 | 58 | X |
| 89 | 59 | Y |
| 90 | 5A | Z |
| 91 | 5B | [ |
| 92 | 5C | \ |
| 93 | 5D | ] |
| 94 | 5E | ^ |
| 95 | 5F | \_ |
| 96 | 60 | ` |
| 97 | 61 | a |
| 98 | 62 | b |
| 99 | 63 | c |
| 100 | 64 | d |
| 101 | 65 | e |
| 102 | 66 | f |
| 103 | 67 | g |
| 104 | 68 | h |
| 105 | 69 | i |
| 106 | 6A | j |
| 107 | 6B | k |
| 108 | 6C | l |
| 109 | 6D | m |
| 110 | 6E | n |
| 111 | 6F | o |
| 112 | 70 | p |
| 113 | 71 | q |
| 114 | 72 | r |
| 115 | 73 | s |
| 116 | 74 | t |
| 117 | 75 | u |
| 118 | 76 | v |
| 119 | 77 | w |
| 120 | 78 | x |
| 121 | 79 | y |
| 122 | 7A | z |
| 123 | 7B | { |
| 124 | 7C | | |
| 125 | 7D | } |
| 126 | 7E | ~ |

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