

Part A

CHAPTER 3

Architecture and Organization



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Example 1: Calculating the Absolute Value

- ❑ To calculate $x \leftarrow |x|$, where x is a signed integer, we can implement
if $x < 0$ then $x = -x$

- ❑ In ARM

```
TEQ    r0, #0           ;compare r0 with zero
RSBMI  r0, r0, #0        ;if negative (MInus)  $r0 \leftarrow 0 - r0$ 
```

- ❑ What is the difference between **TEQ** and **CMP**? • • •

To know the difference,
read slide #72

- ❑ What is the difference between **RSBMI** and **RSBLT**? • • •

To know the difference,
read slide #83

- ❑ Can we use **RSBMI** **r0**, #0 instead of **RSBMI** **r0**, r0, #0 ? •

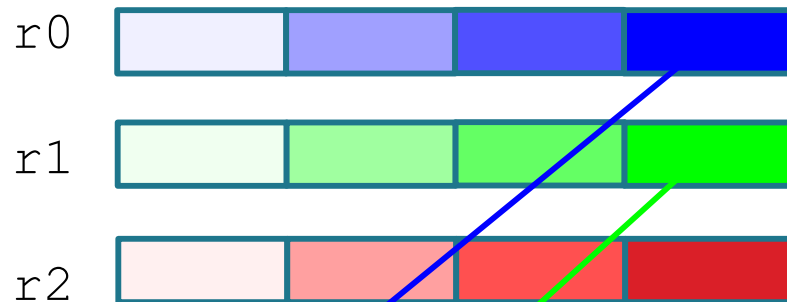
- ❑ Can we use **NEGMI** **r0**, r0 instead of **RSBMI** **r0**, r0, #0 ? •

To know the answer,
read slide #59

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Example 2: Byte Manipulation and Concatenation

□ Suppose we have r0, r1, and r2 as follow:



and we want to rearrange r2 as follow:



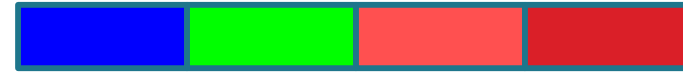
Note that: we can not do:
`BIC r2, r2, #0xFFFF0000`
 To know the reason, read
 Slides 105-110

```

AND r0, r0, #0xFF          ;clear all high order 3 bytes
AND r1, r1, #0xFF          ;clear all high order 3 bytes
BIC r2, r2, #0xFF0000      ;clear the 3rd byte
BIC r2, r2, #0xFF000000    ;clear the 4th byte
ADD r2, r2, r1, LSL#16     ;LSL r1 by 2 bytes & add it to r2
ADD r2, r2, r0, LSL#24     ;LSL r0 by 3 bytes & add it to r2
  
```

Can we use ORR
 instead of ADD in
 this situation?

Example 2: Byte Manipulation and Concatenation



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;clear all high order 3 bytes



AND **r1**, r1, #0xFF



;clear all high order 3 bytes



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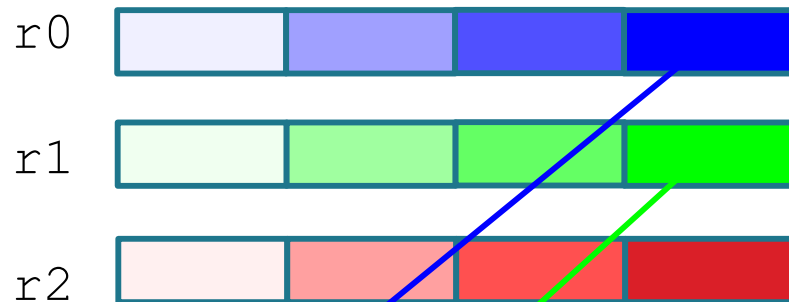


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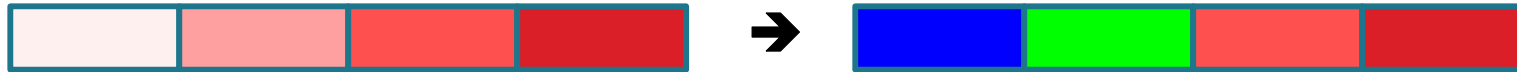
□ *Another solution in 5 instructions*

```

AND  r0, r0, #0xFF      ;clear r0 all high order 3 bytes
AND  r1, r1, #0xFF      ;clear r1 all high order 3 bytes
ADD  r2, r1, r2, LSL#16  ;LSL r2 by 2 bytes & add r1 to it
ADD  r2, r2, r0, LSL#8   ;LSL r0 by 1 byte & add it to r2
MOV  r2, r2, ROR#16      ;Swap the two r2 16 bits together
  
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;LSL r0 by 1 byte & add it to r2



MOV **r2**, r2, ROR#16



;Swap the two r2 16 bits together



Example 3: Byte Reversal (Big-endian ⇔ Little-endian)

- ❑ Suppose that **0xABCD EFGH** is stored in r0
- ❑ We want to reverse the content of r0,
i.e., store **0xHGFEDCBA** in r0

- ❑ Let us review the XOR truth table

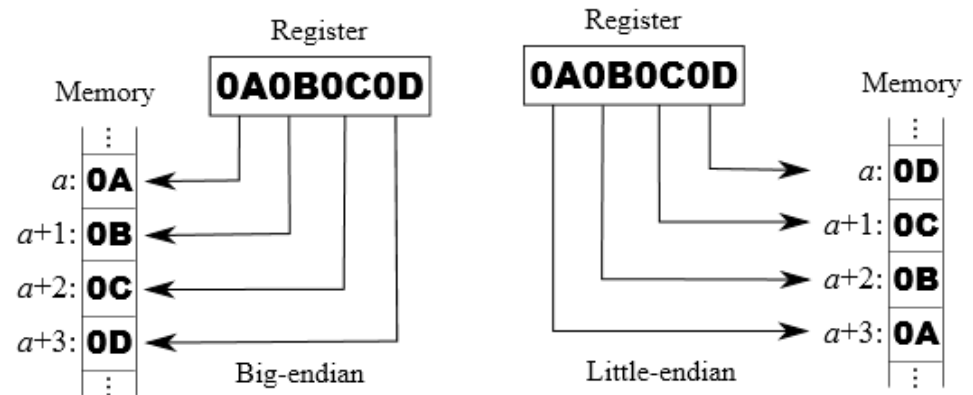
- $x \oplus x = 0$
- $x \oplus 0 = x$
- $x \oplus y \oplus y = x$

- ❑ We will use r1 as a working register

```

EOR r1, r0, r0, ROR#16 ; A⊕E, B⊕F, C⊕G, D⊕H, E⊕A, F⊕B, G⊕C, H⊕D
BIC r1, r1, #0x00FF0000 ; A⊕E, B⊕F, 0, 0, E⊕A, F⊕B, G⊕C, H⊕D
MOV r0, r0, ROR#8 ; G, H, A, B, C, D, E, F
EOR r0, r0, r1, LSR#8 ; r1 after LSR#8 is
                     ; 0, 0, A⊕E, B⊕F, 0, 0, E⊕A, F⊕B
                     ; The final result will be
                     ; G⊕0, H⊕0, A⊕A⊕E, B⊕B⊕F, C⊕0, D⊕0, E⊕E⊕A, F⊕F⊕B
                     ; G, H, E, F, C, D, A, B

```



A	B	C = A ⊕ B
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Example 4: Variable Swapping

❑ Assume that we have two variables stored in **r0** and **r1**

❑ We want to swap these two variables

[r2] ← [r0]

[r0] ← [r1]

[r1] ← **[r2]**

❑ Now, we want to do the same thing without using **r2**

The red values are the originals.

ADD r0 , r0, r1	; [r0] ← [r0] + [r1]
SUB r1 , r0, r1	; [r1] ← [r0] - [r1]
	; [r1] ← ([r0] + [r1]) - [r1]
	; [r1] ← [r0]
SUB r0 , r0, r1	; [r0] ← [r0] - [r1]
	; [r0] ← ([r0] + [r1]) - [r0]
	; [r0] ← [r1]

X ← **X** + **Y**

Y ← **X** - **Y**

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Example 4: Variable Swapping

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❑ Another solution

Let us review the XOR truth table

- $x \oplus x = 0$
- $x \oplus 0 = x$
- $x \oplus y \oplus y = x$

A	B	$C = A \oplus B$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

The red values are the originals.

```

EOR r0, r0, r1      ; [r0] ← [r0] ⊕ [r1]
EOR r1, r0, r1      ; [r1] ← [r0] ⊕ [r1]
                    ; [r1] ← ([r0] ⊕ [r1]) ⊕ [r1]
                    ; [r1] ← [r0]
EOR r0, r0, r1      ; [r0] ← [r0] ⊕ [r1]
                    ; [r0] ← ([r0] ⊕ [r1]) ⊕ [r0]
                    ; [r0] ← [r1]

```

$X \leftarrow X \oplus Y$

$Y \leftarrow X \oplus Y$

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Example 5: Multiplication by $2^n - 1$, 2^n , or $2^n + 1$

- ❑ Multiplying by 2^n can be implemented using MOV instruction and LSL#n

- ❑ Example:

Write one ARM instruction to store $r1 \times 16$ into r2

MOV **r2**, r1, LSL#4 ; $[r2] \leftarrow [r1] \times 2^4$

- ❑ Multiplying by $2^n + 1$ can be implemented using ADD instruction and LSL#n

- ❑ Example

Write one ARM instruction to store $r1 \times 17$ into r2

ADD **r2**, r1, r1, LSL#4 ; $[r2] \leftarrow [r1] + [r1] \times 2^4$

- ❑ Multiplying by $2^n - 1$ can be implemented using RSB instruction and LSL#n

- ❑ Example

Write one ARM instruction to store $r1 \times 15$ into r2

RSB **r2**, r1, r1, LSL#4 ; $[r2] \leftarrow [r1] \times 2^4 - [r1]$

Example 5: Multiplication by $2^n - 1$, 2^n , or $2^n + 1$

- Let us translate the following C code

```

if (x > y)
    p = 17 * q;
else
{
    if (x == y)
        p = 16 * q;
    else /* i.e., x < y */
        p = 15 * q;
}

```

- Assume that x and y are stored in r2 and r3, and also that p and q are r4 and r1

```

CMP    r2, r3           ; Compare x and y
ADDGT  r4, r1, r1, LSL#4 ; IF >, then p ← q + q << 4
MOVEQ  r4, r1, LSL#4    ; IF =, then p ← q << 4
RSBLT  r4, r1, r1, LSL#4 ; IF <, then p ← q << 4 - q

```

r4 not r1
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the book page
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Example 6: Dividing by D

❑ Dividing by **D** can be implemented using MUL and ASR instructions

❑ Example:

Write ARM instructions to divide **r0** by **D** and store the result in **r1**

i.e., $[r1] \leftarrow [r0] / D$

❑ The result can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} [r0] / D &= [r0] \times (1 / D) \\ &= [r0] \times (2^N / D) / 2^N \end{aligned}$$

- ✓ Select **N** to be a large integer at the same time not to cause an overflow when evaluating $[r0] \times (2^N / D)$
- ✓ Evaluate $[r0] \times (2^N / D)$
- ✓ Arithmetic shift right the result **N** time

❑ If **D** = 5 and **r0** = 32004, we can pick **N** = 16

❑ $2^N / D = 2^{16} / 5 = 1024 \times 64 / 5 = 13107.2$

round(13107.2) = 13107

LDR **r2**, =13107; $(2^N / D)$

MUL **r1**, r2, r0 ; $[r0] \times (2^N / D)$

ASR **r1**, #16 ; $[r0] \times (2^N / D) / 2^N = [r0] / D$

Note that $13107 / 2^{16} = 0.199997 \approx 0.2$

Example 7: Converting Capital Letter → Small Letter

- ❑ Let us convert any capital letter to small letter
- ❑ Capital letters begins by 'A' and end by 'Z'
- ❑ Assume that the character to be converted in r0; and r1 is a working register

```

CMP    r0, #'A'           ;Is it in the range of the capital?
RSBGE  r1, r0, #'Z'       ;If >= 'A',
                           ;then check with 'Z'
                           ;    and update the flags
ORRGE  r0, r0, #2_100000  ;If between 'A' and 'Z' inclusive,
                           ;then set bit 5 to force lower case

```

Can be `ADDGE r0, r0, #32`

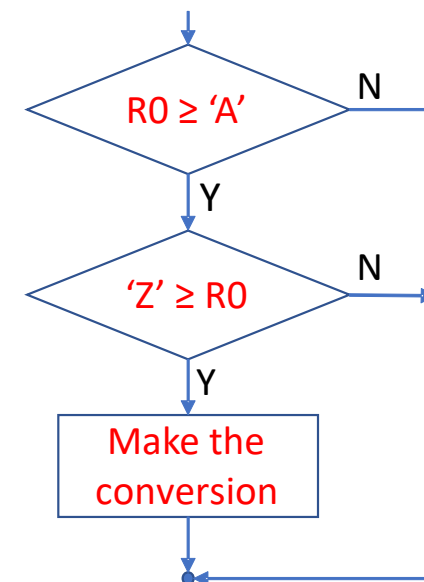
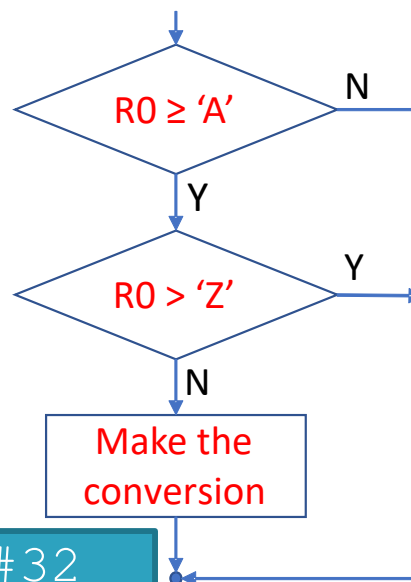
Another solution

```

CMP    r0, #'A'
BLT    DONE
CMP    r0, #'Z'
BGT    DONE
ORR    r0, r0, #2_100000
DONE  ..

```

Can be `ADD r0, r0, #32`



Example 8: If Statement in One Instruction!!

- ❑ Let us translate the following C code

```
if (x < 0)
    x = 0;
```

- ❑ Assume that x is stored in r0

BIC **r0**, r0, r0, ASR#31 ; only one instruction!!

- ❑ ASR#31 will fill all bits of r0 with the sign bit
 - If positive, the result will be 0x00000000
 - If negative, the result will be 0xFFFFFFFF

Hence, if negative, all bits will be cleared, i.e., $x \leftarrow 0$
Otherwise, x will stay as it is without change



Example 9: Simple Bit-level Logical Operations

❑ Assume #2_0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 **pqrs** is stored in r0

❑ We wish to implement the following statement

```
if ((p == 1) && (r == 1))
    s = 1;
```

```
TST    r0, #0x8        ;check the value of bit p
TSTNE  r0, #0x2        ;if p == 1,
                        ; check the value of bit r
ORRNE  r0, r0, #1      ;if r == 1,
                        ; set s ← 1
```

*In this situation,
you can not replace the ORR**NE** by ADD**NE** as **s** originally might be 1.*

Example 10: Hexadecimal Character Conversion

- ❑ We would like to convert **4 binary bits** to **hexadecimal digits**
- ❑ Assume that these 4 bits are stored at the LSBs of `r0` and the rest of the bits are zeros
- ❑ Note that the ASCII code of
 - '0' is 48, i.e., $0x30$ (difference from 0000_2 is $= 0x30$)
 - '1' is 49, i.e., $0x31$ (difference from 0001_2 is $= 0x30$)
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 - '9' is 57, i.e., $0x39$ (difference from 1001_2 is $= 0x30$)
- ❑ Note also that the ASCII code of
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 - 'B' is 66, i.e., $0x42$ (difference from 1011_2 is $= 0x37$)
 - ...
 - 'F' is 70, i.e., $0x46$ (difference from 1111_2 is $= 0x37$)

- ❑ The conversion algorithm is:

`character = the4BitBinaryValue + 0x30`

`if(character > 0x39)`

`character += 7`

ADDGT not ADDGE

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```

ADD    r0, r0, #0x30; add 0x30 to convert 0 through 9 to ASCII
CMP    r0, #0x39    ; check for A to F hex values
ADDGT  r0, r0, #7    ; If A to F, then add 7 to get the ASCII
  
```

0000	➔	'0'
0001	➔	'1'
0010	➔	'2'
0011	➔	'3'
0100	➔	'4'
0101	➔	'5'
0110	➔	'6'
0111	➔	'7'
1000	➔	'8'
1001	➔	'9'
1010	➔	'A'
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❑ Another algorithm

using **conditional operator (i.e., ?:)**

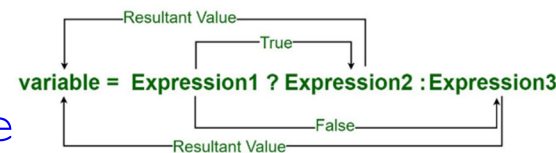
```
character = the4BitBinaryValue
           + (the4BitBinaryValue <= 0x9) ? 0x30 : 0x37;
```

CMP `r0`, #0x9 ;is it 0-9 or A-F hex values?

ADDLE `r0`, `r0`, #0x30; if it is 0-9, add 0x30 to convert to ASCII

ADDGT `r0`, `r0`, #0x37; if it is A-F, add 0x37 to convert to ASCII

0000	→	'0'
0001	→	'1'
0010	→	'2'
0011	→	'3'
0100	→	'4'
0101	→	'5'
0110	→	'6'
0111	→	'7'
1000	→	'8'
1001	→	'9'
1010	→	'A'
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1100	→	'C'
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1110	→	'E'
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Example 11: Multiple Selection

- Let us translate the following C code

```
switch (i)
{ case 0: do action; break;
  case 1: do action; break;
  ...
  case N: do action; break;
  default: do something;
}
```

- Assume that r0 contains the selector i

```
TEQ r0,#0 ;is the switch variable == 0?
BEQ case0 ;If i == 0, jump to the case0 code
TEQ r0,#1 ;is the switch variable == 1?
BEQ case1 ;If i == 1, jump to the case1 code
...
TEQ r0,#N ;is the switch variable == N?
BEQ caseN ;If i == N, jump to the caseN code
B default
```

case0 do action of case 0

B AfterCase

case1 do action of case 1

B AfterCase

...
caseN do action of case N

B AfterCase

default do action of default

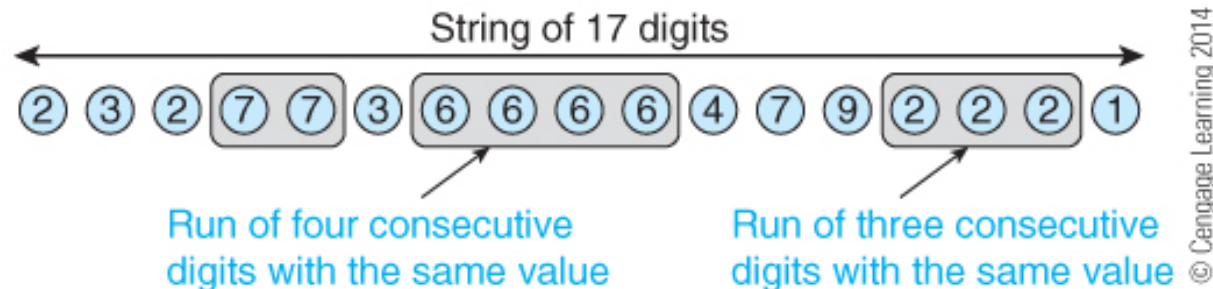
AfterCase ...

Example 12: Finding the Longest Sequence of Repeated Digits

❑ In Chapter one, we attempted to find the longest sequence of repeated digits.

FIGURE 1.7

A string of digits



❑ Let us revisit this problem and implement the solution using ARM assembly language.

❑ If you recall, we proposed 13 steps to solve this problem:

1. Read the first digit in the string and call it **New_Digit**
2. Set the **Current_Run_Value** to **New_Digit**
3. Set the **Current_Run_Length** to 1
4. Set the **Max_Run** to 1
5. REPEAT
6. Read the next digit in the sequence (i.e., read a **New_Digit**)
7. IF its value is the same as **Current_Run_Value**
8. THEN **Current_Run_Length** = **Current_Run_Length** + 1
9. ELSE {**Current_Run_Length** = 1
10. **Current_Run_Value** = **New_Digit**}
11. IF **Current_Run_Length** > **Max_Run**
12. THEN **Max_Run** = **Current_Run_Length**
13. UNTIL The last digit is read

Example 12: Finding the Longest Sequence of Repeated Digits

AREA RunLength, CODE, READONLY

ENTRY

ADR **r9**, String ;r9 points to the sting

LDRB **r0**, EoS ;r0 is the EoS symbol

LDRB **r1**, [r9], #1 ;Step-01: r1 is New_Digit

MOV **r2**, r1 ;Step-02: r2 is the Current_Run_Value

MOV **r3**, #1 ;Step-03: r3 is the Current_Run_Length (set to 1)

MOV **r4**, #1 ;Step-04: r4 is the Max_Run_Length (set to 1)

Repeat LDRB **r1**, [r9], #1 ;Step-05 & 06: REPEAT: Read next digit (i.e., New_Digit)

CMP r1, r2 ;Step-07: Compare New_Digit and Current_Run_Value

ADDEQ **r3**, r3, #1 ;Step-08: IF same THEN Current_Length=Current_Length+1

MOVNE **r3**, #1 ;Step-09: ELSE Current_Run_Length = 1

MOVNE **r2**, r1 ;Step-10: Current_Run_Value = New_Digit

CMP r3, r4 ;Step-11: IF Current_Run_Length > Max_Run

MOVGT **r4**, r3 ;Step-12: THEN Max_Run = Current_Run_Length

TEQ r0, r1 ;Step-13: Testing the end of string

BNE Repeat ;Step-13: UNTIL all digits tested

Park B Park ;parking loop

String DCB 2, 3, 2, 7, 7

DCB 3, 6, 6, 6, 6, 4

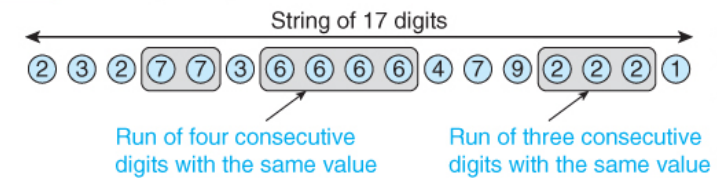
DCB 7, 9, 2, 2, 2, 1

EoS DCB 0xFF

END

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