Computer Architecture Exercises

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Today

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Organisational Matters

April 10

- Raspberry Pi's will be distributed to groups
- ▶ Deposit: 120 CHF (please bring the exact amount of money)
- Bring your student card
- ► Sign up as a group in ILIAS
- ► If you can not be here to pick up the Pi, write an E-Mail to: waelchli@inf.unibe.ch



Review of Series 2

Theoretical Part

Function Pointer

```
void callA(int a) { printf("A: _%i\n", a);}
void callB(int a) { printf("B: _%i\n", a);}
void callC(int a) { printf("C: _%i\n", a);}
void (*functionPointer[3])(int)
          = { &callA , &callB , &callC };
functionPointer[0](20);
functionPointer[1](21);
functionPointer[2](22);
```

Output

```
A: 20
B: 21
C: 22
```

Pointer and const

```
/* regular pointer */
int * a:
*a = 0; /* OK */  a = 0; /* OK */
/* (variable) pointer to constant */
int const * b;
*b = 0; /* ERROR! */ b = 0; /* OK */
/* constant pointer to variable */
int * const c;
*c = 0; /* OK */ c = 0; /* ERROR! */
/* constant pointer to constant */
int const * const d:
*d = 0; /* ERROR! */ d = 0; /* ERROR! */
```

Loops and Arrays

```
int array[11] = {1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1,
0, 1};
int i;

for (i=0; i<=11; ++i) {
   printf("%i=", array[i]);
}</pre>
```

Problem: Array has elements 0...10, but loop runs from 0...11 \Rightarrow no check for array boundary

Assembly in C

```
L1: beq $s2, $s3, L2

#do something

add $s2, $s2, $s1

j L1

L2:
```

```
int s1 = 1;
int s2 = 4;
int s3 = 20
while (s2 != s3) {
   /* do something */
   s2 = s2 + s1;
}
```

...or with for-loop

Expansion of Pseudo-Instructions

```
bge \$s2, \$s3, Label
```

... becomes ...

```
slt $at, $s2, $s3 \#\$at set to 1 if $s2 < $s3 beq $at, $zero, \textbf{Label}
```

Endianness

	Address	Binary Value	LSB
Word address	10001	0101 1010	Little Endian ↓
	10002	1011 0110	
	10003	0101 1110	
	10004	1001 1010	Big Endian ↑
	10005	0110 1001	
LE = (10)	001 1010 01	01 1110 1011 011	0 (0101 1010)2
			LSB
= (2')	589′898′330	$(0)_{10}$	
BE = (01)	.01 1010 10	11 0110 0101 111	0 1001 1010)2
(-1	-01/001/01	~ `	LŠB
= (1')	521′901′21(J) ₁₀	

Array Access with Assembly (1)

```
void mul(short x[], int index, int mul) {
  x[index] *= mul;
}
```

```
# calculate the array position
sll $t1. $t1. 1
add $t2, $t2, $t1
\# load the array element: 2 Bytes = halfword
Ih $t3, 0($t2)
# multiply the array element
mult $t3, $t4
mflo $t3
# store the array element
sh $t3, 0($t2)
```

Array Access with Assembly (2)

- B Array with ten data words
- Address of B in s1
- ▶ Load last word of *B* into s2 with exactly one instruction

```
#load B[9] from memory, B is stored at $s1 lw \$s2, 36(\$s1)
```

- ▶ sizeof(word)=4
- ▶ Address of B[9] = address of $B + 9 \cdot sizeof(word)$

Optional Questions

Byte Order

- we use Big Endian
- i.e., the address of a word is the address of the Most Significant Byte (MSB)
- e.g. the value

$$0 \times 04 \ 03 \ 02 \ 01 = 0b \underbrace{00000100}_{MSB} \ 00000011 \ 00000010 \ 00000001$$

at address OxAAAA is stored in memory as

Address	Value	
0xAAAA	00000100	
0xAAAB	00000011	
0xAAAC	00000010	
0xAAAD	00000001	



Declarations

Listing 1: mips.h

```
extern Operation operations[OPERATION_COUNT];
extern Function functions[FUNCTION_COUNT];
```

- ► The given structures are essentially dispatchers (by use of function pointers) enriched with additional information
- ► They provide the connection between the Op-Code and the actual implementation of the operation

Sign Extension

- ➤ Sign extension: When converting a 16-bit number in Two's-Complement to the "equivalent" 32-bit number
- 0x0002 becomes 0x00000002
- ▶ $0xFFFD = (-2)_{10}$ becomes $0xFFFFFFD = (-2)_{10}$
- ▶ but not $0x0000FFFD = (65533)_{10}$

Programming Part

storeWord

```
/* Store a word to memory */
void storeWord (word w, word location) {
    memory [location] = (w >> (8*3)) & 0xFF;
    memory [location+1] = (w >> (8*2)) & 0xFF;
    memory [location+2] = (w >> (8*1)) & 0xFF;
    memory [location+3] = w & 0xFF;
}
```

```
Specification of add (Format: R)
               R[rd] = R[rs] + R[rt]
Implementation:
/* ADD */
void mips_add(Instruction *instruction) {
         InstructionTypeR r = instruction -> r;
         registers[r.rd] = (signed) registers[r.
            rs] + (signed) registers[r.rt];
```

addi

```
Specification of addi (Format: I)
             R[rt] = R[rs] + SignExtImm
where
    SignExtImm = { 16{immediate[15]}, immediate }
Implementation:
/* ADDI */
void mips_addi(Instruction *instruction) {
         InstructionTypel i = instruction -> i;
         registers[i.rt] = (signed) registers[i.
            rs] + (signed) sign Extend (i.
            immediate);
```

```
Specification of jal (Format: J)
              R[31] = PC + 4; PC=JumpAddr
where
       JumpAddr = \{ PC[31:28], address, 2'b0 \}
Implementation:
/* JAL */
void mips_jal(Instruction *instruction) {
  RA = pc:
  pc = (pc \& 0xF0000000) \mid (instruction \rightarrow j.
      address << 2);
```

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```
Specification of sw (Format: I)
             M[R[rs]+SignExtImm] = R[rt]
where
    SignExtImm = { 16{immediate[15]}, immediate }
Implementation:
/* SW */
void mips_sw(Instruction *instruction) {
         InstructionTypel i = instruction -> i;
         storeWord(registers[i.rt], registers[i
            .rs] + (signed) signExtend(i.
            immediate));
```

Introduction to Series 3

- Last exercise about C programming
- Read carefully, think, then start programming
- Parameters for main program
- Working with files
- ► Functions with variable number of arguments
- **▶** Deadline: April 17, 15:00
- ► As usual, upload everything to ILIAS: PDF & zip-file