

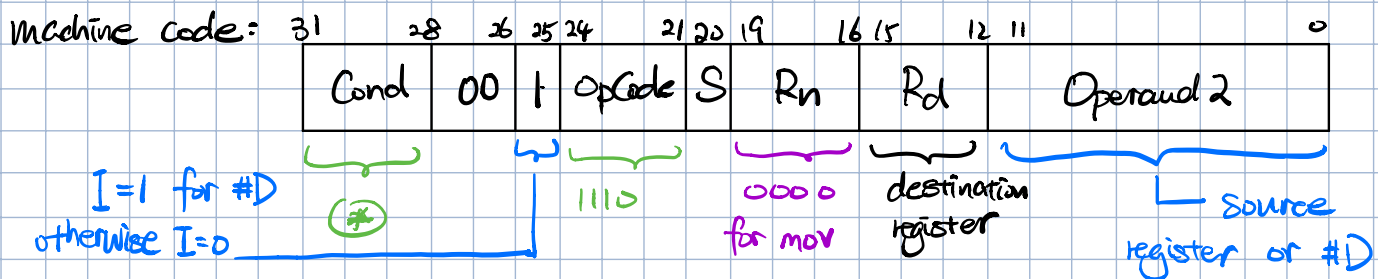
Comments: - Each ARM instruction is assembled into a 32-bit word of machine code.

- **mov** is like both **mvn** and **mvi** in our previous processor. The 2<sup>nd</sup> argument for **mov** is quite flexible when this argument is **#D** the size of **D** is quite "limited."

General form

**mov** Rd, operand 2

- operand 2 can be a register, Rd, constant **#D**,



⊗ In our processor **mvnE**  $\neq$  **mvn** execute based on a condition

For ARM, almost all instructions can be based on a condition

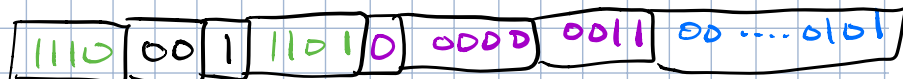
The "special" condition Always is the default, which has **cond = 1110**

Examples

**mov** R1, R2



**mov** R3, #5



**mvnE** R5, R6



condition NE means not equal to 0. So  $R5 \leftarrow R6$  iff  $I=0$

- The word directive supports multiple arguments, separated by commas. Each argument produces a 32-bit word in memory.
- LDR is like ld for our previous processor. Again, the 2<sup>nd</sup> argument is flexible.

### Examples

LDR  $R_2, [R_1]$  <sup>①</sup> //  $R_2 \leftarrow$  contents of memory at addr. in  $R_1$

LDR  $R_2, [R_1, \#4]$  <sup>②</sup> //  $R_2 \leftarrow$  contents of memory at addr. given by  $R_1 + 4$

LDR  $R_2, [R_1, \#4]!$  <sup>③</sup> //  $R_2 \leftarrow$  contents of memory at addr. given by  $R_1 + 4$ .  
Then  $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + 4$

LDR  $R_2, [R_1], \#4$  <sup>④</sup> //  $R_2 \leftarrow$  contents of memory at addr. in  $R_1$ , Then  $R_1 \leftarrow R_1 + 4$

LDRNE  $R_2, [R_1]$  //  $R_2 \leftarrow$  contents of memory at addr. in  $R_1$ , if  $Z = 0$ .

①-④ are called Addressing Modes.

①-③: Index mode

④: pre-index mode.

(4): post-index mode.

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In all of the above examples,  $R_1$  is called the base register. You can also involve an index register:

LDR  $R_2, [R_1, +R_3]$  //  $R_2 \leftarrow \text{contents of memory @}$   
Addr.  $R_1 + R_3$

LDR  $R_2, [R_1, -R_3]$  //  $R_2 \leftarrow \text{contents of memory @}$   
Addr.  $R_1 - R_3$

- plus there are a few other variants of addressing modes.  
when we write assembly code, we will usually  
use index mode. The more complex modes are generally  
used in code generated by a compiler (for a language like C)