

Types of ARM Instructions.

- As mentioned, **LDRB** can be used to read from any address.

Example: **MOV** R0, #0x1000

LDRB R1, [R0, #3] (*)

- Register R1 will get loaded w/ the byte from addr. 0x1003

As an example, we will assume the following memory content:

Address	Data (in memory)			
0FFC	00	00	00	00
1000	83	82	81	80
1004	00	00	00	00

(*) R1 ←

00	00	00	83
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extended w/ 0's

Variant: **LDRSB** R1, [R0, #3]

R1 ←

FF	FF	FF	83
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extended w/ the sign bit of 83

neg.
↓
1000
↓
83

Note: The address used w/ **LDR** must be word aligned (multiple of 4). If the addr. does not end in 00 the ARM processor will take an exception (error) and your program will crash, so

MOV R0, #0x1000

LDR R1, [R0, #3]

will cause an exception error !

Note: you can also read half words (16-bits) using **LDRH** and **LDRSH**. Here the addr. has to be a multiple of 2 (any even addr.)

Example:

LDRH R1, [R0] $R_1 \leftarrow 00008180$

LDRSH R1, [R0, #2] $R_1 \leftarrow FFFF8382$

Address	Data (in memory)			
0FFC	00	00	00	00
1000	83	82	81	80
1004	00	00	00	00

Similar variants are available for **STR**:

		Address	Data (in memory)			
STR	word					
STRB	byte					
STRH	half word					
		0FFC	00	00	00	00
		1000	83	82	81	80
		1004	00	00	00	00

Example. if $R_1 = FFFF8382$

STRB R1, [R0, #1]

Address	Data (in memory)			
0FFC	00	00	00	00
1000	83	82	82	80
1004	00	00	00	00

Arithmetic Instruction.

ADD Rd, Rn, Operand 2 $R_d \leftarrow R_n + \text{Operand 2}$

ADD R8, R0, R1 $R_8 \leftarrow R_0 + R_1$

ADD $R_8, R_8, \#4$ $R_8 \leftarrow R_8 + 4$

ADD $R_8, \#4$ $R_8 \leftarrow R_8 + 4$ (faster)

* If R_d and R_n are the same register, you can omit R_n

ADC R_1, R_2, R_3 $R_1 \leftarrow R_2 + R_3 + \text{carry-out (C-flag)}$

SUB R_2, R_3, R_4 $R_2 \leftarrow R_3 - R_4$

SUB R_2, R_2, R_8 $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_8$

SUB R_2, R_8 $R_2 \leftarrow R_2 - R_8$

SUB $R_{11}, \#4$ $R_{11} \leftarrow R_{11} - 4$

Also, there is a multiply instruction (MUL) instruction and multiply accumulate (MLA):

MUL R_1, R_2, R_3 $R_1 \leftarrow R_2 \times R_3$

MLA R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4 $R_1 \leftarrow R_2 \times R_3 + R_4$