

MIPS Instruction Types

Type	-31- format (bits) -0-					
R	opcode (6)	rs (5)	rt (5)	rd (5)	shamt (5)	funct (6)
I	opcode (6)	rs (5)	rt (5)	immediate (16)		
J	opcode (6)	address (26)				

R-Type Instructions (Opcode 000000)

Main processor instructions that do not require a target address, immediate value, or branch displacement use an R-type coding format. This format has fields for specifying of up to three registers and a shift amount.

For instructions that do not use all of these fields, the unused fields are coded with all 0 bits. All R-type instructions use a 000000 opcode. The operation is specified by the function field.

opcode (6)	rs (5)	rt (5)	rd (5)	sa (5)	function (6)
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Instruction	Function	
add	rd, rs, rt	100000
addu	rd, rs, rt	100001
and	rd, rs, rt	100100
break		001101
div	rs, rt	011010
divu	rs, rt	011011
jalr	rd, rs	001001
jr	rs	001000
mfhi	rd	010000
mflo	rd	010010
mthi	rs	010001
mtlo	rs	010011
mult	rs, rt	011000
multu	rs, rt	011001
nor	rd, rs, rt	100111
or	rd, rs, rt	100101
sll	rd, rt, sa	000000
sllv	rd, rt, rs	000100
slt	rd, rs, rt	101010
sltu	rd, rs, rt	101011
sra	rd, rt, sa	000011
srav	rd, rt, rs	000111
srl	rd, rt, sa	000010
srlv	rd, rt, rs	000110
sub	rd, rs, rt	100010
subu	rd, rs, rt	100011
syscall		001100
xor	rd, rs, rt	100110

I-Type Instructions (All opcodes except 000000, 00001x, and 0100xx)

I-type instructions have a 16-bit immediate field that codes an immediate operand, a branch target offset, or a displacement for a memory operand. For a branch target offset, the immediate field contains the signed difference between the address of the following instruction and the target label, with the two low order bits dropped. The dropped bits are always 0 since instructions are word-aligned.

For the bgez, bgtz, blez, and bltz instructions, the rt field is used as an extension of the opcode field.

opcode (6)	rs (5)	rt (5)	immediate (16)
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Instruction	Opcode	Notes
addi rt, rs, immediate	001000	
addiu rt, rs, immediate	001001	
andi rt, rs, immediate	001100	
beq rs, rt, label	000100	
bgez rs, label	000001	rt = 00001
bgtz rs, label	000111	rt = 00000
blez rs, label	000110	rt = 00000
bltz rs, label	000001	rt = 00000
bne rs, rt, label	000101	
lb rt, immediate(rs)	100000	
lbu rt, immediate(rs)	100100	
lh rt, immediate(rs)	100001	
lhu rt, immediate(rs)	100101	
lui rt, immediate	001111	
lw rt, immediate(rs)	100011	
lwc1 rt, immediate(rs)	110001	
ori rt, rs, immediate	001101	
sb rt, immediate(rs)	101000	
slti rt, rs, immediate	001010	
sltiu rt, rs, immediate	001011	
sh rt, immediate(rs)	101001	
sw rt, immediate(rs)	101011	
swc1 rt, immediate(rs)	111001	
xori rt, rs, immediate	001110	

J-Type Instructions (Opcode 00001x)

The only J-type instructions are the jump instructions `j` and `jal`. These instructions require a 26-bit coded address field to specify the target of the jump. The coded address is formed from the bits at positions 27 to 2 in the binary representation of the address. The bits at positions 1 and 0 are always 0 since instructions are word-aligned.

When a J-type instruction is executed, a full 32-bit jump target address is formed by concatenating the high order four bits of the PC (the address of the instruction following the jump), the 26 bits of the target field, and two 0 bits.

opcode (6)	target (26)
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Instruction	Opcode	Target
j label	000010	coded address of label
jal label	000011	coded address of label

Coprocessor Instructions (Opcode 0100xx)

The only instructions that are described here are the floating point instructions that are common to all processors in the MIPS family. All coprocessor instructions use opcode 0100xx. The last two bits specify the coprocessor number. Thus all floating point instructions use opcode 010001.

The instruction is broken up into fields of the same sizes as in the R-type instruction format. However, the fields are used in different ways.

Most floating point instructions use the format field to specify a numerical coding format: single precision (.s), double precision (.d), or fixed point (.w). The `mfc1` and `mtc1` instructions use the format field as an extension of the function field.

opcode (6)	format (5)	ft (5)	fs (5)	fd (5)	function (6)
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Instruction	Function	Format
add.s	fd, fs, ft	000000 10000
cvt.s.w	fd, fs, ft	100000 10100
cvt.w.s	fd, fs, ft	100100 10000
div.s	fd, fs, ft	000011 10000
mfc1	ft, fs	000000 00000
mov.s	fd, fs	000110 10000
mtc1	ft, fs	000000 00100
mul.s	fd, fs, ft	000010 10000
sub.s	fd, fs, ft	000001 10000

OPCODE map

Table of opcodes for all instructions:

	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
000	R-type		j	jal	beq	bne	blez	bgtz
001	addi	addiu	slti	sltiu	andi	ori	xori	
010								
011	llo	lhi	trap					
100	lb	lh		lw	lbu	lhu		
101	sb	sh		sw				
110								
111								

FUNC map of R-type instructions

Table of function codes for register-format instructions:

	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
000	sll		srl	sra	sllv		srlv	srav
001	jr	jalr						
010	mfhi	mthi	mflo	mtlo				
011	mult	multu	div	divu				
100	add	addu	sub	subu	and	or	xor	nor
101			slt	sltu				
110								
111								

Some R-type instructions grouped by their familiarity:

Instruction	Function
add	rd, rs, rt 100000
addu	rd, rs, rt 100001
sub	rd, rs, rt 100010
subu	rd, rs, rt 100011
and	rd, rs, rt 100100
or	rd, rs, rt 100101
xor	rd, rs, rt 100110
nor	rd, rs, rt 100111
slt	rd, rs, rt 101010
sltu	rd, rs, rt 101011
sll	rd, rt, sa 000000
srl	rd, rt, sa 000010
sllv	rd, rt, rs 000100
srlv	rd, rt, rs 000110
sra	rd, rt, sa 000011
srav	rd, rt, rs 000111

Register Number	Conventional Name	Usage
\$0	\$zero	Hard-wired to 0
\$1	\$at	Reserved for pseudo-instructions
\$2 - \$3	\$v0, \$v1	Return values from functions
\$4 - \$7	\$a0 - \$a3	Arguments to functions - not preserved by subprograms
\$8 - \$15	\$t0 - \$t7	Temporary data, not preserved by subprograms
\$16 - \$23	\$s0 - \$s7	Saved registers, preserved by subprograms
\$24 - \$25	\$t8 - \$t9	More temporary registers, not preserved by subprograms
\$26 - \$27	\$k0 - \$k1	Reserved for kernel. Do not use.
\$28	\$gp	Global Area Pointer (base of global data segment)
\$29	\$sp	Stack Pointer
\$30	\$fp	Frame Pointer
\$31	\$ra	Return Address
\$f0 - \$f3	-	Floating point return values
\$f4 - \$f10	-	Temporary registers, not preserved by subprograms
\$f12 - \$f14	-	First two arguments to subprograms, not preserved by subprograms
\$f16 - \$f18	-	More temporary registers, not preserved by subprograms
\$f20 - \$f31	-	Saved registers, preserved by subprograms