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Introduction

2.1 General Information

- Addresses are 32-bit.
- Big-endian byte ordering is used.
- Bytes are octets (8 bits).
- Instructions must be aligned to 16 bits, so jump and branch targets must also be aligned to 16 bits.
 - Branch offsets encoded into instructions must be 16-bit aligned, or in other words bit 0 of the branch offset must be 0b0

2.2 Registers

There are sixteen general-purpose registers (all of which are 32-bit): r0, r1, r2,

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..., r11, r12, lr, fp (frame pointer), sp (stack pointer).
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The program counter, pc, is 32 bits long, as addresses are 32-bit. Here are the special-purpose registers:

- flags: arithmetic/logic FLAGS; (reg encoding: 0x0)
- ids: Interrupt DeStination: the address to jump to upon an interrupt being serviced (also known as the interrupt vector); (reg encoding 0x1)
- ira: Interrupt Return Address: the address that was jumped from upon an interrupt being serviced; (reg encoding (0x2))
- ie: Interrupt Enable flag: flag indicating whether interrupts are enabled (0x1) or disabled (0x0) note that interrupts start off as disabled; (reg encoding 0x3)
- hi: HIgh 32 bits of instructions that produce 64-bit results; (reg encoding 0x4)
- 1o: LOw 32 bits of instructions that produce 64-bit results; (reg encoding 0x5)
- Note: All other encodings for special-purpose registers are reserved.

Here are the bits of flags:

- Zero (Z): (flags bit 0)
- Carry (C): (flags bit 1)

- oVerflow (V): (flags bit 2)
- Negative (N): (flags bit 3)
- $\bullet\,$ Note: All other bit positions of ${\tt flags}$ are reserved.

Instruction Set

3.1 Instruction Group 0: pre and lpre

For pre, the following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit:

0000 iiii iiii iiii, where

• i is a 12-bit constant.

For lpre, the following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit:

0001 0iii iiii iiii iiii iiii iiii, where

• i is a 27-bit constant.

pre and lpre are mechanisms by which immediates larger than normal can be used, essentially acting like variable width instructions.

There is no mechanism in the assembly language itself to use pre or lpre as instructions. Instead, it is expected that the assembler or linker will be the one to insert pre or lpre as needed if an immediate is too large for a particular instruction.

For non-branch instructions:

- If pre is used, the immediate field of the pre instruction will form bits [16:5] of the immediate of the next non-index instruction. The 17-bit immediate will then be sign-extended to 32 bits.
- On the other hand, if lpre is used, the immediate field of the lpre instruction will form bits [31:5] of the immediate of the next non-index instruction.

For branch instructions (group 3):

- if pre is used, the immediate field of the pre instruction will form bits [20:9] of the immediate of the next non-index instruction. The 21-bit immediate will then be sign-extended to 32 bits.
- On the other hand, if lpre is used, the immediate field of the lpre instruction will form bits [31:9] of the immediate of the next non-index instruction.

Instructions that use an immediate value, other than pre, lpre, and relative branches normally have 5-bit immediates. Relative branches normally have 9-bit branch offsets. if pre or lpre is used with a relative branch, bits [9:5] of the branch offset that is encoded directly into a relative branch instruction will be ignored, and the immediate field of the pre or lpre instruction will be used to determine bits [9:5] of the branch offset..

3.1.1 Handling of pre, lpre, and index

When a pre or lpre instruction is found, pre or lpre will be considered to be "in effect". This condition lasts for one or two instructions after the pre or lpre instruction, depending on whether or not index was in effect.

index is an instruction (defined later) that allows a subsequent load or store
instruction to perform base_reg + index_reg indexing. When an index instruction is found, it is considered to be in effect. Like pre and lpre, index is
inserted automatically by the assembler.

index can be combined with pre or lpre, and it does not matter whether index or the pre/lpre instruction came first.

When pre, lpre, or index is in effect, interrupts will not be serviced.

Pseudo code for handling the how pre, lpre, and index are to be handled regarding whether or not they are "in effect" is as follows:

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function handle_pre_lpre_index(input in, output out) {
    if (in.instruction.is_pre()) {
        if (in.state.pre.have || in.state.lpre.have) {
            out.state.can_service_interrupts = false;
            // Instruction was a NOP
            out.state.pre.have = false;
            out.state.lpre.have = false;
            out.state.index.have = false;
            out.instruction = nop;
        } else {
            if (in.state.index.have) {
                out.state.can_service_interrupts = false;
                out.state.can_service_interrupts = true;
            out.state.pre.set_have(true);
            out.instruction = in.instruction;
   } else if (in.instruction.is_lpre()) {
        if (in.state.pre.have || in.state.lpre.have) {
            out.state.can_service_interrupts = false;
            // Instruction was a NOP
            out.state.pre.have = false;
            out.state.lpre.have = false;
            out.state.index.have = false;
            out.instruction = nop;
        } else {
            if (in.state.index.have) {
                out.state.can service interrupts = false;
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out.state.can_service_interrupts = true;
            out.state.lpre.set_have(true);
            out.instruction = in.instruction;
   } else if (in.instruction.is_index()) {
        if (in.state.index.have) {
            out.state.can service interrupts = false;
            // Instruction was a NOP
            out.state.pre.have = false;
            out.state.lpre.have = false;
            out.state.index.have = false;
            out.instruction = nop;
        } else {
            if (in.state.pre.have || in.state.lpre.have) {
                out.state.can_service_interrupts = false;
            } else {
                out.state.can_service_interrupts = true;
            }
            out.state.index.have = true;
            out.instruction = in.instruction;
   } else {
        if (
            in.state.pre.have || in.state.lpre.have || in.state.index.have
        ) {
            out.state.can_service_interrupts = false;
        } else {
            out.state.can_service_interrupts = true;
        out.instruction = instruction;
        // Whenever we see an instruction other than pre, lpre, or index,
        // that means that those instructions stop being "in effect".
        out.state.pre.have = false;
        out.state.lpre.have = false;
        out.state.index.have = false;
    }
}
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3.2 Instruction Group 1

} else {

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit: 001i iiii oooo aaaa, where

- i is a 5-bit sign-extended immediate, and is denoted simm
- a encodes register rA
- o is the opcode

Here is a list of instructions from this encoding group.

- Opcode 0x0: add rA, #simm
- Opcode 0x1: add rA, pc, #simm
- Opcode 0x2: add rA, sp, #simm
- Opcode 0x3: add rA, fp, #simm
- Opcode 0x4: cmp rA, #simm
 - Effect: Compare rA to simm.
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode 0x5: cpy rA, #simm
 - Effect: Copy an immediate value into rA
- Opcode 0x6: lsl rA, #simm
 - Effect: Logical shift left
- Opcode 0x7: lsr rA, #simm
 - Effect: Logical shift right
- Opcode 0x8: asr rA, #simm
 - Effect: Arithmetic shift right
- Opcode 0x9: and rA, #simm
 - Effect: Bitwise AND
- Opcode 0xa: orr rA, #simm
 - Effect: Bitwise OR
- Opcode Oxb: xor rA, #simm
 - Effect: Bitwise XOR
- Opcode Oxc: ze rA, #simm
 - Effect: Set rA[31:simm] to zero.
- Opcode Oxd: se rA, #simm
 - Effect: Sign-extend rA[simm:0] to 32 bits, then copy that value to rA

3.3 Instruction Group 2

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit:

010f oooo bbbb aaaa, where

- o is the opcode
- ullet b encodes register rB
- a encodes register rA
- f is encoded as 0 if this instruction cannot affect flags and encoded 1 if this instruction is permitted to affect flags. Note that cmp is permitted to affect flags regardless of this bit.

Here is a list of instructions from this encoding group.

- Opcode 0x0: add rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: add
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: add.f
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode 0x1: sub rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: sub
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: sub.f
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode 0x2: add rA, sp, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: add
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: add.f
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode 0x3 add rA, fp, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: add
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: add.f
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode 0x4: cmp rA, rB
 - Effect Compare rA to rB. cmp is always able to affect flags, independent of the encoded f bit of the instruction.
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N

- Opcode 0x5: cpy rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: cpy
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: cpy.f
 - Effect Copy rB into rA
 - Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode 0x6: lsl rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: lsl
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: lsl.f
 - Effect Logical shift left
 - Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode 0x7: lsr rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: lsr
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: lsr.f
 - Effect Logical shift right
 - Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode 0x8: asr rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: asr
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: asr.f
 - Effect Arithmetic shift right
 - Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode 0x9: and rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: and
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: and.f
 - Effect Bitwise AND
 - Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode Oxa: orr rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: orr
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: orr.f
 - Effect Bitwise OR
 - Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode Oxb: xor rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: xor

- Mnemonic for when flags affected: xor.f
- Effect Bitwise XOR
- Affectable flags: Z, N
- Opcode Oxc: adc rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: adc
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: adc.f
 - Effect Add with Carry
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode Oxd: sbc rA, rB
 - Mnemonic for when flags not affected: sbc
 - Mnemonic for when flags affected: sbc.f
 - Effect Subtract with Borrow
 - Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N

3.4 Instruction Group 3: Relative Branches

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit:

011i iiii iiii oooo, where

- i is a 9-bit sign-extended immediate, and is denoted simm
- o is the opcode

Here is a list of instructions from this encoding group.

- Opcode 0x0: bl simm
 - Name: Branch and Link
 - Description: Relative call
 - Effect: lr <= pc + 2; pc <= pc + simm + 2;
- Opcode 0x1: bra simm
 - Name: BRanch Always
 - Description: Unconditional relative branch
 - Effect: pc <= pc + simm + 2;
- $\operatorname{Opcode} \operatorname{Ox2}$: beq simm

- Name: Branch if EQual
- Effect: if (flags.Z) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x3: bne simm
 - Name: Branch if Not Equal
 - Effect: if (!flags.Z) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x4: bmi simm
 - Name: Branch if MInus
 - Effect: if (flags.N) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x5: bpl simm
 - Name: Branch if PLus
 - Effect: if (!flags.N) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x6: bvs simm
 - Name: Branch if oVerflow Set
 - Effect: if (flags.V) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x7: bvc simm
 - Name: Branch if oVerflow Clear
 - Effect: if (!flags.V) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x8: bgeu simm
 - Name: Branch if Greater than or Equal Unsigned
 - Effect: if (flags.C) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode 0x9: bltu simm
 - Name: Branch if Less Than Unsigned
 - Effect: if (!flags.C) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode Oxa: bgtu simm
 - Name: Branch if Greater Than Unsigned
 - Effect: if (flags.C AND !flags.Z) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode Oxb: bleu simm
 - Name: Branch if Less than or Equal Unsigned
 - Effect: if (!flags.C OR flags.Z) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode Oxc: bges simm

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- Name: Branch if Greater than or Equal Signed
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- Effect: if (!(flags.N XOR flags.V)) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
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- Opcode Oxd: blts simm
 - Name: Branch if Less Than Signed
 - Effect: if (flags.N XOR flags.V) pc <= pc + simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode Oxe: bgts simm
 - Name: Branch if Greater Than Signed
 - Effect: if (!(flags.N XOR flags.V) AND !flags.Z) pc <= pc +
 simm + 2;</pre>
- Opcode Oxf: bles simm
 - Name: Branch if Less than or Equal Signed
 - Effect: if ((flags.N XOR flags.V) OR flags.Z) pc <= pc + simm + 2;

3.5 Instruction Group 4

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit:

100o oooo bbbb aaaa, where

- o is the opcode
- b encodes register ${\tt rB}$ or register ${\tt sC},$ where ${\tt sC}$ is one of the special-purpose registers
- a encodes register rA or register sA, where sA is one of the special-purpose registers

Here is a list of instructions from this encoding group.

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• Opcode 0x0: jl rA
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- Effect: lr \le pc + 2; pc \le rA;
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• Opcode 0x1: jmp rA

- Effect: pc <= rA;</p>

• Opcode 0x2: jmp rA, rB

- Effect: pc <= (rA + rB);

- Opcode 0x3: jmp ira
 - Effect: pc <= ira;</pre>
- Opcode 0x4: reti
 - Effect: enables interrupts (by copying 1 into ie) and performs pc <= ira;
- Opcode 0x5: cpy rA, sC
 - Effect: rA <= sC;
- Opcode 0x6: cpy sA, rB
 - Effect: sA <= rB;
- Opcode 0x7: ei
 - Effect: copy 1 into ie.
- Opcode 0x8: di
 - Effect: copy 0 into ie.
- Opcode 0x9: push rA, rB
 - Effect: pushes rA onto the stack, using rB as the stack pointer, postdecrementing rB.
 - This instruction does nothing when rA is the same register as rB.
- Opcode Oxa: pop rA, rB
 - Effect: pops rA off the stack, using rB as the stack pointer, preincrementing rB.
 - This instruction does nothing when rA is the same register as rB.
- Opcode Oxb: push sA, rB
 - Effect: pushes sA onto the stack, using rB as the stack pointer, postdecrementing rB.
 - Note that sA is considered to be 32-bit for the purpose of the store to memory and decrementing rB, even if sA is flags or ie.
- Opcode Oxc: pop sA, rB
 - Effect: pops sA off the stack, using rB as the stack pointer, preincrementing rB.
 - Note that sA is considered to be 32-bit for the purpose of the load from memory and incrementing rB, even if sA is flags or ie.
- Opcode Oxd: index rA

- Effect: Performs <index_reg> <= rA; and stores that index is in
 effect</pre>
- Note: If index is in effect and the current instruction is index, the current instruction will be treated as a NOP, and index will stop being in effect.
- Note: pre and index can be combined with one another (though this
 is only useful for ldr and str).
- Note: A non-pre instruction following index will store that that index is not in effect any more. (It will also store that pre is not in effect any more).
- Note: If index is in effect, the current instruction cannot be interrupted.
- Note: Any time index stops being in effect, pre will stop being in effect as well.

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• Opcode Oxe: mul rA, rB
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- Effect: rA \ll rA * rB;
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- Opcode Oxf: udiv rA, rB
 - Effect: rA <= u32(rA) / u32(rB);
- Opcode 0x10: sdiv rA, rB
 - Effect: $rA \le s32(rA) / s32(rB)$;
- Opcode 0x11: umod rA, rB
 - Effect: rA <= u32(rA) % u32(rB);
- Opcode 0x12: smod rA, rB
 - Effect: rA <= s32(rA) % s32(rB);
- Opcode 0x13: lumul rA, rB
 - Effect: This instruction multiplies rA by rB, performing an unsigned 32-bit by 32-bit -> 64-bit multiply, storing result in {hi, lo}.
- Opcode 0x14: lsmul rA, rB
 - Effect: This instruction multiplies rA by rB, performing a signed 32-bit by 32-bit -> 64-bit multiply, storing result in {hi, lo}.
- Opcode 0x15: ludiv rA, rB
 - Effect: performs a 64-bit by 64-bit unsigned division of {hi, lo} by {rA, rB}, storing 64-bit result in {hi, lo}.

Note: This instruction executes more quickly if rA's value is 0x00000000,
 i.e. if the operation is actually a 64-bit by 32-bit -> 64-bit unsigned divide.

• Opcode 0x16: lsdiv rA, rB

- Effect: performs a 64-bit by 64-bit signed division of {hi, lo} by {rA, rB}, storing 64-bit result in {hi, lo}.
- Note: This instruction executes more quickly if rA is equal to bits [63:32] of sign_extend_to_64(rB).

• Opcode 0x17: lumod rA, rB

- Effect: performs a 64-bit by 64-bit unsigned modulo of {hi, lo} by {rA, rB}, storing 64-bit result in {hi, lo}.
- Note: This instruction executes more quickly if rA's value is 0x00000000,
 i.e. if the operation is actually a 64-bit by 32-bit -> 64-bit unsigned modulo.

• Opcode 0x18: lsmod rA, rB

- Effect: performs a 64-bit by 64-bit signed modulo of {hi, lo} by {rA, rB}, storing 64-bit result in {hi, lo}.
- Note: This instruction executes more quickly if rA is equal to bits [63:32] of sign_extend_to_64(rB).

• Opcode 0x19: ldub rA, [rB]

- Effect: Load an 8-bit value from memory at address computed as rB
 + <index_reg>, zero-extend the 8-bit value to 32 bits, then put the zero-extended 32-bit value into rA.
- The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.
- Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: ldub rA, [rB, rC]

• Opcode 0x1a: ldsb rA, [rB]

- Effect: Load an 8-bit value from memory at address computed as rB
 + <index_reg>, sign-extend the 8-bit value to 32 bits, then put the sign-extended 32-bit value into rA.
- The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.
- Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: ldsb rA, [rB, rC]

• Opcode 0x1b: lduh rA, [rB]

- Effect: Load a 16-bit value from memory at address computed as rB
 + <index_reg>, zero-extend the 16-bit value to 32 bits, then put the zero-extended 32-bit value into rA.
- The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.
- Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: lduh rA, [rB, rC]

• Opcode Ox1c: ldsh rA, [rB]

- Effect: Load a 16-bit value from memory at address computed as rB
 + <index_reg>, sign-extend the 16-bit value to 32 bits, then put the zero-extended 32-bit value into rA.
- The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.
- Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: ldsh rA, [rB, rC]

• Opcode 0x1d: stb rA, [rB]

- Effect: Store rA[7:0] to memory at the address computed as rB + <index_reg>.
- The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.
- Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: stb rA, [rB, rC]

• Opcode 0x1e: sth rA, [rB]

- Effect: Store rA[15:0] to memory at the address computed as rB + <index_reg>.
- The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.
- Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: sth rA, [rB, rC]

3.6 Instruction Group 5: Immediate Indexed Load

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit:

101i iiii bbbb aaaa, where

 i is a 5-bit sign-extended immediate, which can be expanded by pre, and is denoted simm

- b encodes register rB
- a encodes register rA

The one instruction from this encoding group is ldr rA, [rB, #simm]. This is a 32-bit load into rA, where the effective address to load from is computed as rB + <index_reg> + simm, using the sign-extended form of simm.

The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.

Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: ldr rA, [rB, rC, #simm]

3.7 Instruction Group 6: Immediate Indexed Store

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit: 110i iiii bbbb aaaa, where

- i is a 5-bit sign-extended immediate, which can be expanded by pre
- b encodes register rB
- a encodes register rA

The one instruction from this encoding group is str rA, [rB, #simm]. This is a 32-bit store of rA, where the effective address to store to is computed as <index_reg> + rB + simm, using the sign-extended form of simm.

The <index_reg> value is guaranteed to be zero unless an index is in effect.

Shorthand for having the assembler insert an index rC instruction before this one: str rA, [rB, rC, #simm]

3.8 Instruction Group 7, Subgroup 0b00: Extra 8-bit and 16-bit Ops

The following encoding is used, with each character representing one bit: 1110 Owoo bbbb aaaa, where

- w is the operation width
 - When 0b0: 8-bit operation; use rA[7:0] and rB[7:0]
 - When 0b0: 16-bit operation; use rA[15:0] and rB[15:0]
- o is the opcode
- b encodes register rB
- a encodes register rA

Here is a list of instructions from this encoding gorup.

- Opcode 0x0:
 - w value ObO: cmpb rA, rB
 - * Effect: Compare rA[7:0] to rB[7:0]
 - * Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
 - w value Ob1: cmph rA, rB
 - * Effect: Compare rA[15:0] to rB[15:0]
 - * Affectable flags: Z, C, V, N
- Opcode 0x1:
 - w value ObO: lsrb rA, rB
 - * Effect: Logical shift right rA[7:0] by rB[7:0]
 - w value Ob1: lsrh rA, rB
 - * Effect: Logical shift right ${\tt rA[15:0]}$ by ${\tt rB[15:0]}$
- Opcode 0x2:
 - w value 0b0: asrb rA, rB
 - * Effect: Arithmetic shift right rA[7:0] by rB[7:0]
 - w value 0b1: asrh rA, rB
 - * Effect: Arithmetic shift right rA[15:0] by rB[15:0]