



INTRODUCTION

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Outline

- MIPS64: Introduction
- Assembler programs: How to Write
- WinMIPS64 the initial glance.



MIPS64

- Generalities

- MIPS (**M**icroprocessor without **I**nterlocked **P**ipeline **S**tages) is a family of RISC processors, which have been very successful for embedded applications
- The first processor in the family was introduced in 1985
- Several versions have been introduced since then.

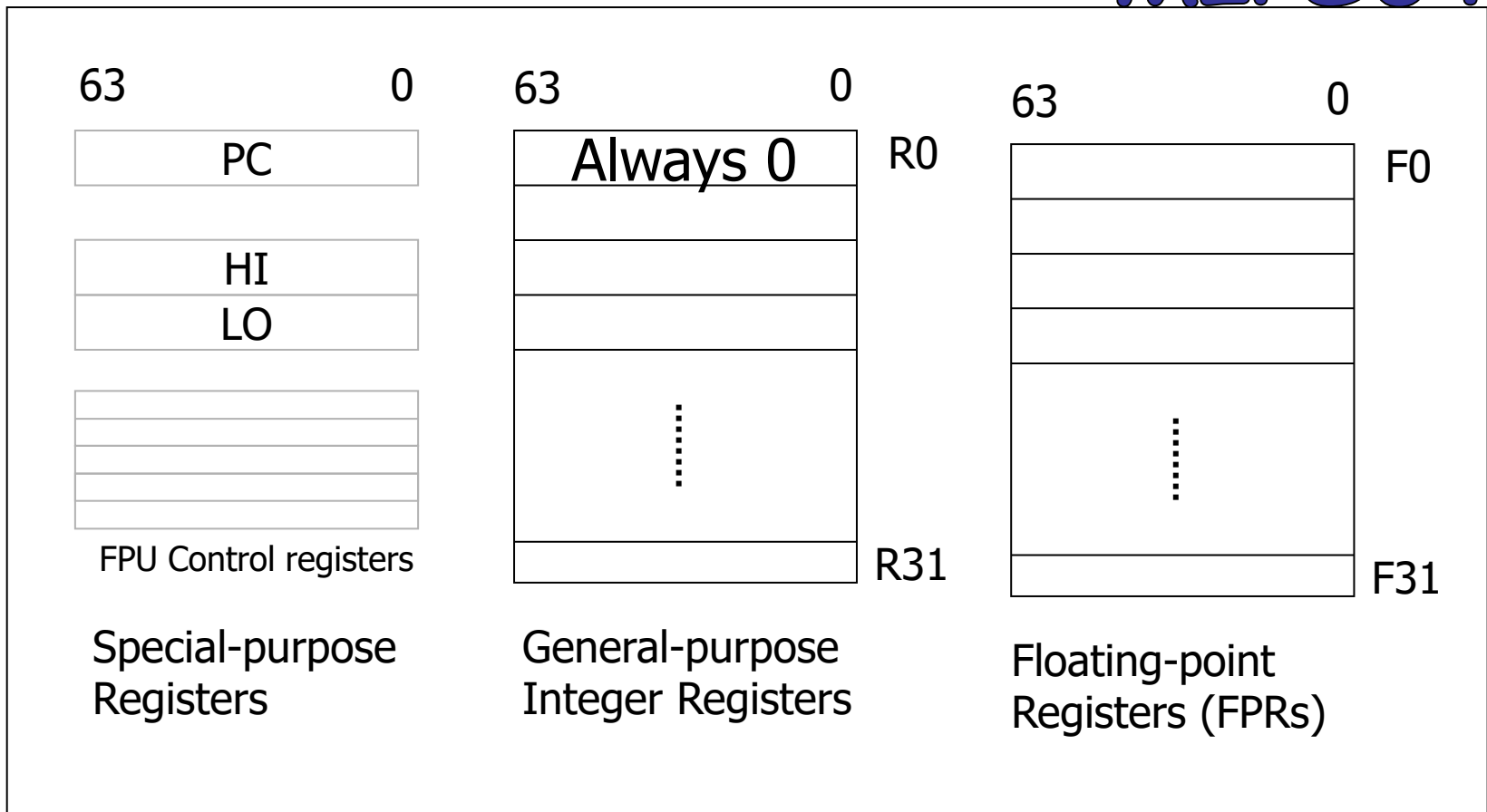


MIPS64

- Generalities
 - Simple load-store Instruction Set
 - Designed for pipeline efficiency
 - Fixed instruction length
 - Low-power applications
- What is described here is a simplified version of the so called MIPS64.

MIPS64 – Programmer's Model

MIPS64





Data Types

- Byte (8 bits)
- Half Words (16 bits)
- Words (32 bits)
- Double Words (64 bits)
- 32-bit single precision floating-point
- 64-bit double precision floating-point.



Addressing Modes

- It uses 16 bits Immediate field

- DADDUI R1, R2, 32

$$R1 \leftarrow R2 + 32$$

- DADDUI R1, R0, 32

$$R1 \leftarrow 32$$

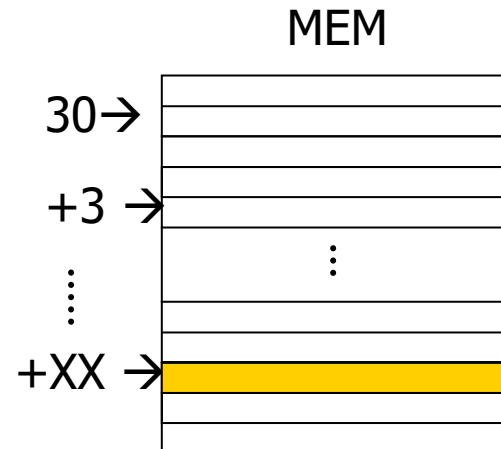


Addressing Modes

- Displacement
 - LD R1, 30(R2)

R2 = XX

R1 \leftarrow MEM[30 + R2]



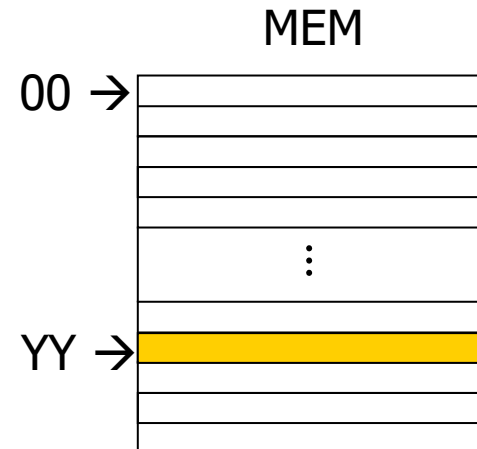
Addressing Modes

- Displacement

- LD R1, 0(R2) → *Register Indirect*

R2 = YY

R1 ← MEM[R2]

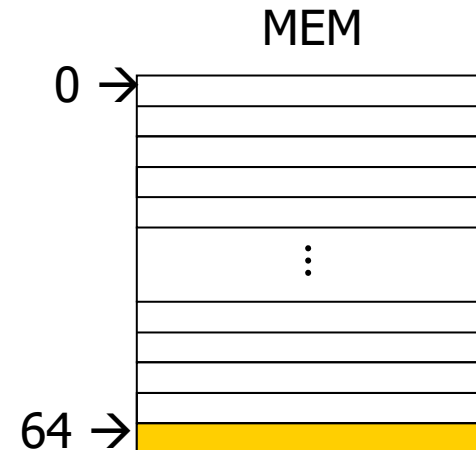


Addressing Modes

- Displacement

- LD R1, 64(R0) → *Absolute Addressing*

R1 ← MEM[64]





Instruction Format

- A CPU instruction is a single 32-bit aligned word
 - Include a 6-bit primary opcode



- The CPU instruction formats are:
 - Immediate
 - Register
 - Jump.



Instruction Format – Immediate

- I – type instruction

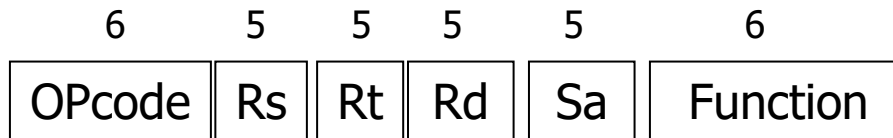


Field	Description
<i>opcode</i>	6-bit primary operation code
<i>Rs</i>	5-bit specifier for the source register
<i>Rt</i>	5-bit specifier for the target (source/destination) register
<i>Immediate</i>	16-bit signed <i>immediate</i> used for logical operands, arithmetic signed operands, load/store address byte offsets, and PC-relative branch signed instruction displacement



Instruction Format – Register

- R – type instruction



Field	Description
<i>opcode</i>	6-bit primary operation code
<i>Rd</i>	5-bit specifier for the destination register
<i>Rs</i>	5-bit specifier for the source register
<i>Rt</i>	5-bit specifier for the target (source/destination) register
<i>Sa</i>	5-bit shift amount
<i>Function</i>	6-bit function field used to specify functions within the primary opcode SPECIAL



Instruction Format – Jump

- J – type instruction



Field	Description
<i>opcode</i>	6-bit primary operation code
<i>Offset</i>	26-bit index shifted left two bits to supply the low-order 28 bits of the jump target address



INSTRUCTION SET

- Grouped By Function
 - Load and store
 - ALU operations
 - Branches and Jumps
 - Floating Point
 - Miscellaneous

Each instruction is 32 bits long.



Load and Store

- MIPS processors use a load/store architecture
- Main memory is accessed only through load and store instructions.



Load and Store – Examples

- LD load double word

LD R1, 28(R8) ; R1 \leftarrow MEM[28 + R8]

- LB load Byte

LB R1, 28(R8) ; R1 \leftarrow ([MEM[28 + R8]]₇)⁵⁶ ## MEM[28 + R8]

- LBU load Byte unsigned

LBU R1, 28(R8) ; R1 \leftarrow 0⁵⁶ ## MEM[28 + R8]



Load and Store – Examples

- **L.S** load FP Single

L.S F4, 46(R5) ; F4 \leftarrow MEM[46 + R5] ## 0³²

- **L.D** load FP Double

L.D F4, 46(R5) ; F4 \leftarrow MEM[46 + R5]

- **SD** Store Double

SD R1, 28(R8) ; MEM[28 + R8] \leftarrow R1



Load and Store – Examples

- **SW** **Store Word**

SW R1, 28(R8) ;MEM[28 + R8] \leftarrow_{32} R1 *LSB*

- **SH** **Store Half Word**

SH R1, 28(R8) ;MEM[28 + R8] \leftarrow_{16} R1 *LSB*

- **SB** **Store byte**

SB R1, 28(R8) ;MEM[28 + R8] \leftarrow_8 R1 *LSB*



Load and Store – Examples

■ S.S Store FP Single

S.S F4, 28(R8) ;MEM[28 + R8] \leftarrow_{32} F4_{63..32}

■ S.D Store FP Double

S.D F4, 28(R8) ;MEM[28 + R8] \leftarrow F4



ALU operations

- All operations are performed on operands held in processor registers
- Instruction types
 - Immediate and three-operand Instructions
 - Two-operand Instructions
 - Shift instructions
 - Multiply and divide instructions
- 2's complement arithmetic
 - Add
 - Subtract
 - Multiply
 - Divide.



ALU operations: R0 usage

- ADD immediate with R0 as source operand
 - **loading a constant**

DADDUI R1 , R0 , 25 ; R1 ← 25

- ADD Rx with R0 as source operand
 - **register to register.**

DADD R1 , R0 , R2 ; R1 ← R2

- DADDU Double Add unsigned

DADDU R1, R2, R3 ; R1 \leftarrow R2 + R3

- **DADDUI** Double Add Unsigned Immediate

```
DADDUI R1,R2,74      ;R1 ← R2 + 74
```

- LUI Load Upper Immediate

```
LUI R1, 0x47 ; R1 ← 063..32 ## 0x47 ## 015..0
```

```
DADDUI R1,R1,0x13      ;R1 ← R1 + 0x13
```

```
;R1 ← 0x470013
```



HowTo: 32-bit constant values

- LUI + ORI:

; +2,147,483,647 -> 0x7FFF_FFFF

lui r7, 0x7FFF ; r7 = 0000_0000_7FFF_0000

ori r7, r7, 0xFFFF ;

; From now

;r7 = 0000_0000_7FFF_FFFF



HowTo: 32-bit constant values

0000_ 0000_7FFF_0000

0000_ 0000_0000_FFFF

0000_ 0000_7FFF_ FFFF

NOTE: ALL Logical instructions extend the immediate with 0



A	B	A or B
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



HowTo: 32-bit constant values

- LUI + ORI:

; -32,769 -> 0xFFFF_7FFF

```
lui r7, 0xFFFF ; r7 = FFFF _ FFFF _ FFFF _ 0000
```

```
ori r7, r7, 0x7FFF ;
```

; From now

```
;r7 = FFFF _ FFFF _ FFFF _ 7FFF
```



HowTo: 32-bit constant values

NOTE: 0xC = 0b1100

- How to obtain:

r7 = 0000 _ 0000 _C1A0_FEDE

- LUI + ORI:

FFFF_FFFF_C1A0_FEDE

- Shift Left Logical 32 bits:

C1A0_FEDE_0000_0000

- Shift Right Logical 32 bits:

0000 _ 0000 _C1A0_FEDE



ALU – Examples

- **DSLL** Double Shift left logical

DSLL R1,R2,3 ;R1 \leftarrow R2 \ll 3

- **SLT** Set Less than

SLT R1,R2,R3 ;IF (R2 < R3) R1 \leftarrow 1
 ;ELSE R1 \leftarrow 0



Branch and Jump

- PC-relative conditional branch
- Absolute (register) unconditional jump
- A set of procedure calls that record a return link address in a general register.



Branch and Jump – Examples

- J Unconditional Jump

J name ; PC \leftarrow name

- JAL Jump and Link

JAL name ; R31 \leftarrow PC+4; PC \leftarrow name

- JALR Jump and Link Register

JALR R4 ; R31 \leftarrow PC+4; PC \leftarrow R4



Branch and Jump – Examples

- **JR** Jump Register

JR R3 ; PC \leftarrow R3

- **BEQZ** Branch Equal Zero

BEQZ R4, name ; IF (R4 = 0) then PC \leftarrow name

- **BNE** Branch Not Equal

BNE R3, R4, name ; IF (R3 \neq R4) then PC \leftarrow name



Miscellaneous

- **MOVZ** Conditional Move if Zero

`MOVZ R1,R2,R3 ;IF (R3 = 0) then R1 ← R2`

- **NOP** No Operation

`NOP ;It means SLL R0, R0, 0`

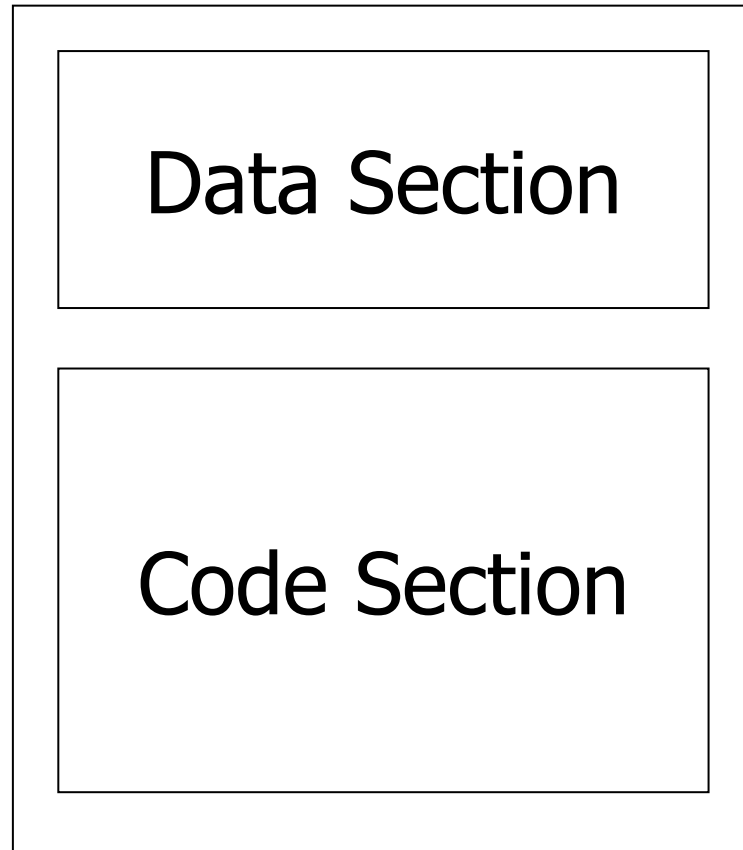


Floating Point

- The FPU instructions include almost the same instructions types:
 - Data Transfer Instructions
 - Arithmetic Instructions
 - Conditional Branch Instructions
 - Miscellaneous Instructions-



ASSEMBLER PROGRAMS



Assembler program

- Data Section
 - Variables
 - Constants
- Code Section
 - Program
 - Routines
 - Subroutines



Data Section

```
;***** MIPS64 INITIAL PROGRAM*****  
;-----  
; Program begin at symbol main  
; requires module INPUT  
;-----
```

← Program Title

```
    .data  
Prompt: .ascii  "An integer value >1:\0"
```

← Assembler Directives

```
Vector: .word  1, 2, 3, 4, 5,
```

← Constants

```
Result: .space 4
```

← Variables

Code Section

```
.Code
.global main

main:   addi    r1,r0,Info
        Jal     Input

        movi2fp f10,r1
        cvti2d  f0,f10
        addi    r2,r0,1
        movi2fp f11,r2
        cvti2d  f2,f11
        Movd    f4,f2

Loop:   led     f0,f4
        bfpt    EndL

        Multd   f2,f2,f0
        subd    f0,f0,f4
        j       Loop

EndL:   sd      Print,f2
        addi    r14,r0,Print
        trap    5

        ;*** Read value from stdin
        ;into R1

        ;*** init values
        ;R1 -> D0    D0..Count
        ;register

        ;1 -> D2 D2..result

        ;1-> D4    D4..Constant 1

        ;*** Break loop if D0 = 1
        ;D0<=1 ?

        ;*** Multiplication and
        ;next loop

        ;*** write result to tdout

        ;*** end
```

■ Assembler Directives

■ Labels

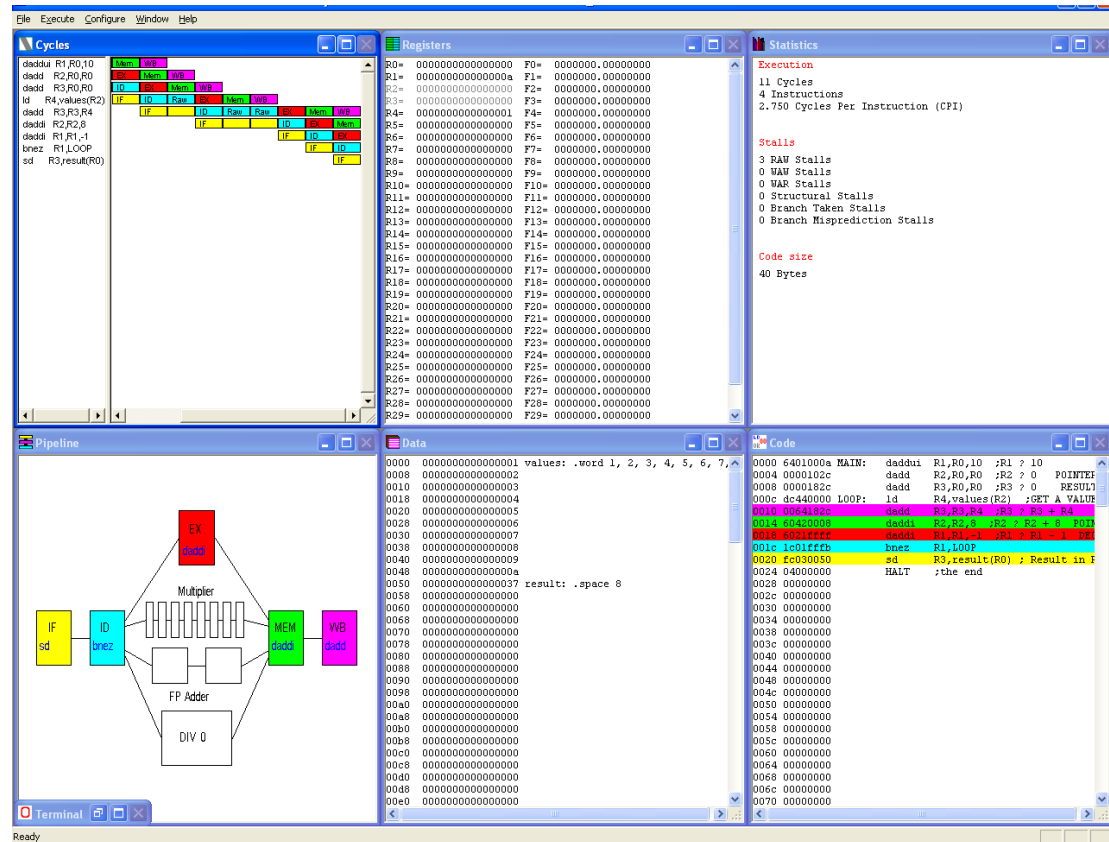
■ Mnemonics

■ Operands

■ Comments

WinMIPS64 the initial Glance

- Instruction set simulator
- 64-bit MIPS architecture
- Architectural features
 - Forwarding
 - Delay slot
 - Branch prediction.





WinMIPS64 the initial Glance

■ Assembler Directives:

- `.data` - start of data segment
- `.text` - start of code segment
- `.code` - start of code segment (same as `.text`)
- `.org <n>` - start address
- `.space <n>` - leave n empty bytes
- `.ascii <s>` - enters zero terminated ascii string
- `.asciiz <s>` - enter ascii string
- `.align <n>` - align to n-byte boundary ...



WinMIPS64 the initial Glance

■ Assembler Directives:

- `.word <n1>,<n2>..` - enter word(s) of data (64-bits)
- `.byte <n1>,<n2>..` - enter bytes
- `.word32 <n1>,<n2>..` - enter 32 bit number(s)
- `.word16 <n1>,<n2>..` - enter 16 bit number(s)
- `.double <n1>,<n2>..` - enter floating-point number(s)

where `<n>` denotes a number like 24, `<s>` denotes a string like "fred"

`<n1>,<n2>..` denotes numbers separated by commas.



Load and store

- lb - load byte
- lbu - load byte unsigned
- sb - store byte
- lh - load 16-bit half-word
- lhu - load 16-bit half word unsigned
- sh - store 16-bit half-word
- lw - load 32-bit word
- lwu - load 32-bit word unsigned
- sw - store 32-bit word
- ld - load 64-bit double-word
- sd - store 64-bit double-word
- l.d - load 64-bit floating-point
- s.d - store 64-bit floating-point



ALU operations

- daddi - add immediate
- daddui - add immediate unsigned
- andi - logical and immediate
- ori - logical or immediate
- xori - exclusive or immediate
- lui - load upper half of register
immediate



Branches and Jumps

- j - jump to address
- jr - jump to address in register
- jal - jump and link to address (call subroutine)
- jalr - jump and link to address in register (call subroutine)
- beq - branch if pair of registers are equal
- bne - branch if pair of registers are not equal
- beqz - branch if register is equal to zero
- bnez - branch if register is not equal to zero



Floating Point

- `add.d` - add floating-point
- `sub.d` - subtract floating-point
- `mul.d` - multiply floating-point
- `div.d` - divide floating-point
- `mov.d` - move floating-point



Miscellaneous

- movz - move if register equals zero
- movn - move if register not equal to zero
- nop - no operation



A naïve example

■ $C = A + B$

```
.data
Val_A: .word 10
Val_B: .word 20
Val_C: .word 0

.text
Main:
    ld R1, Val_A(R0)
    ld R2, Val_B(R0)
    dadd R3, R2, R1
    sd R3, Val_C(R0)
```

MIPS PROGRAM

```
.data
Val_A: dw 10
Val_B: dw 20
Val_C: dw 0

...
Main:
    mov AX, Val_A
    add AX, Val_B
    mov Val_C, AX
```

8086 PROGRAM



A naïve example (1)

■ $C = A + B$

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Val_A: .word 10
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Main:
    ld R1, Val_A(R0)
    ld R2, Val_B(R0)
    dadd R3, R2, R1
    sd R3, Val_C(R0)
```

Code Analysis

# instructions	4
Code size [bytes]	16
Execution time [C.C.]	4



A naïve example (2)

■ $C = A + B$

Code Analysis

# Instructions	3
Code size [bytes]	8
Execution time [C.C.]	33

```
.data
Val_A: dw 10
Val_B: dw 20
Val_C: dw 0
```

...

Main:

```
mov AX, Val_A
add AX, Val_B
mov Val_C, AX
```



A 2nd example

```
/* Sum of 10 integer values */  
#include <stdio.h>  
  
const long int values[10] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10};  
  
int main() {  
    long int result;  
  
    result = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        result = result + values[i];  
    }  
  
}
```




A 2nd example

```
; DATA SECTION
.data
; const long int values[10] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10};
values: .word 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 ;64-bit integers
;long int result;
result: .space 8
```

```
; CODE SECTION
.text
MAIN:
; result = 0; i = 0;
daddui R1,R0,10 ;R1 ← 10 COUNTER REG
dadd R2,R0,R0 ;R2 ← 0 POINTER REG
dadd R3,R0,R0 ;R3 ← 0 RESULT REG
LOOP:
; result = result + values[i];
ld R4,values(R2) ;GET A VALUE IN R4
dadd R3,R3,R4 ;R3 ← R3 + R4
; i < 10; i++
daddi R2,R2,8 ;R2 ← R2 + 8 POINTER INCREMENT
daddi R1,R1,-1 ;R1 ← R1 - 1 DECREMENT COUNTER
bnez R1,LOOP
sd R3,result(R0) ; Result in R3
HALT ;the end
```

```
int main(){
    long int result;

    result = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {

        result = result + values[i];

    }
}
```



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Friendly Suggestions

- Start playing with WinMIPS64, practicing in translating C constructs in the assembly equivalent: if-else, for loop, while loop, do while, switch case, etc...
- For any assembly program: first write the C version, then translate it in assembly (optimization later....)
- Golden Rule: KISS

Keep It Simple and Straightforward