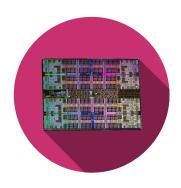




Computer Architecture

Instruction Set Architecture ISA

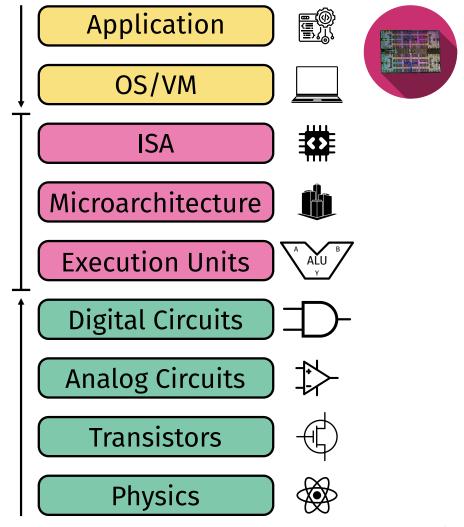
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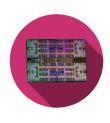
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Where are we in the course? Instruction Set Architecture

- Assembly language
- Programming
- Machine language
- Addressing Modes
- Compiling, Assembly & Loading



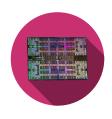
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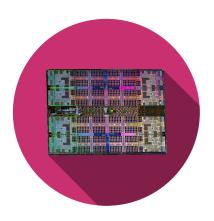
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Assembly language syntax



Machine language: computer-readable format





- Data Transfer
 - lb, lh, lw, sb, sh, sw, lui
- ALU
 - add, sub, and, or, xor, mul, div, rem, sll, srl
- Control Flow
 - beq, bge, jal, ecall, ebreak
- Floating Point
 - fmadd, fmsub, fadd, fsgnj, fmul, feq
- SIMD / Vector
 - vmul
- String
 - REP MOVSB (x86)

Flynn's Classifications - SISD - Single Instruction Single Data

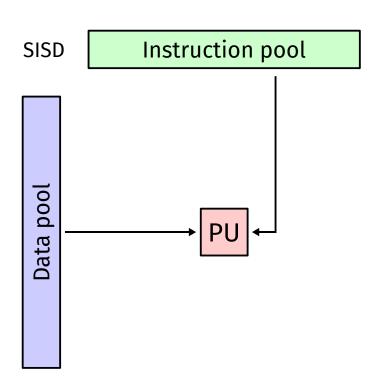


- Based on the Von Neumann architecture
- Pipelining can be implemented but only one instruction is executed at any given time

Advantages – Cheap, low power

Disadvantages – limited speed

Examples - Microcontroller

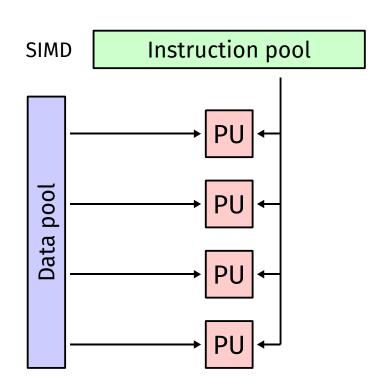


Flynn's Classifications - SIMD - Single Instruction Multiple Data

- Single instruction is executed on multiple pieces of data
- Instructions can be sequential, or parallel

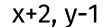
Advantages – Very efficient on big data **Disadvantages** – limited to specific applications

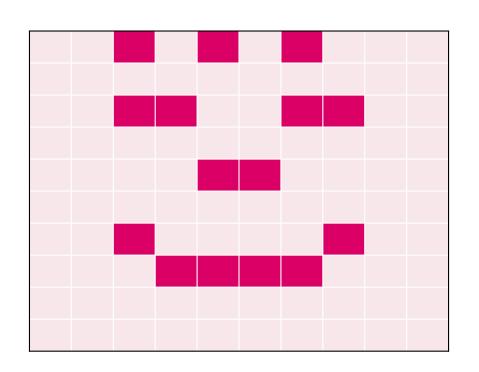
Examples – GPU, Vector Processor, Array processors, Scientific processing

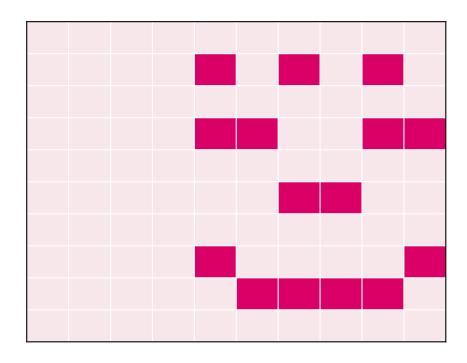


Flynn's Classifications - SIMD - Single Instruction Multiple Data

Example – Game Development





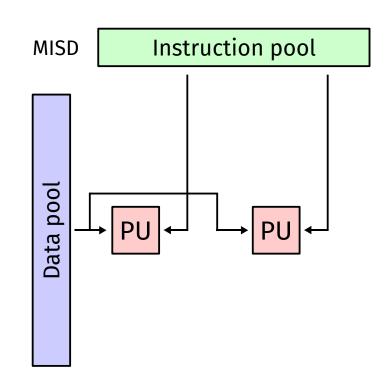


Flynn's Classifications - MISD – Multiple Instructions Single Dat

- Same data being processed differently at the same time
- Very specific, not widely used

Advantages – real-time fault detection **Disadvantages** – Very limited application, not available commercially

Examples – Space shuttle flight control system



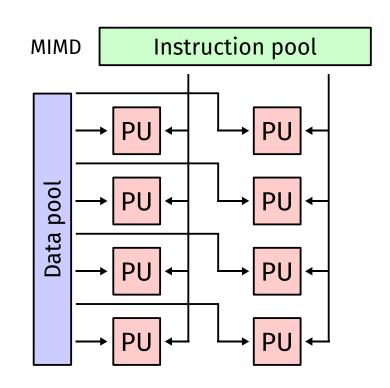
Flynn's Classifications - MIMD - Multiple Instructions Multiple

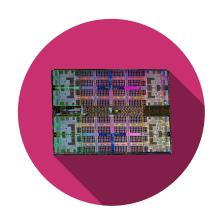
- Multiple processors performing operations on different pieces of data
- Different instructions can be executed at the same time using different datastreams

Advantages – Multitasking

Disadvantages – expensive and complicated architecture

Examples – Modern PC's, Laptops, Smartphones





RISC vs. CISC

CISC vs. RISC

Comparison

CISC



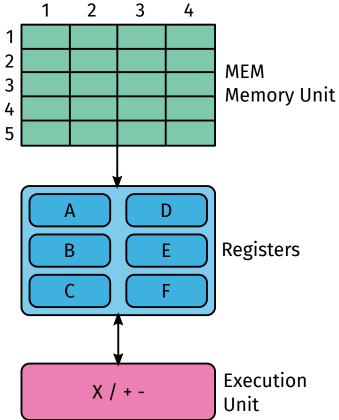


CISC vs. RISC

Example multiplication CISC

MULT 2:3, 5:2



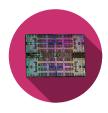


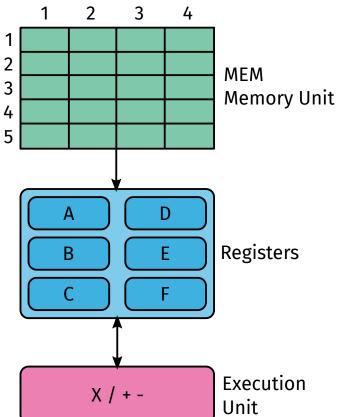
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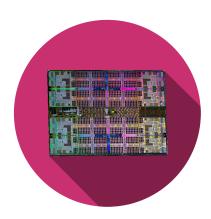
Example multiplication

RISC

```
LOAD A, 2:3
LOAD B, 5:2
PROD A, B
STORE 2:3, A
```

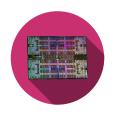






RISC-V ISA

RISC-V Architecture



- Developed by Krste Asanovic, David Patterson at UC Berkley 2010
- First widely accepted open-source computer architecture
- Gains a lot of attraction since 2019





RISC-V Architecture

Design Principles

1. Simplicity favors regularity

- Consistent instruction format
- Same number of operands (2 rs, 1 rd)
- Easier to encode and handle in hardware

2. Make the common case fast

- Only simple commonly used instructions
- Decode hw sould be simple, small and fast

3. Smaller is faster

- Only a small number of registers
- 4. Good design demands good compromises



Extentions

- ISA Namings are RVXXY
 - RV RISC-V
 - XX Bit number [32, 64, 128]
 - Y one or more extentions

- Commonly used namings
 - RV32I Basis for this course
 - RV64G Linux compatible

Extention	Name
I	Integer base instructions
M	Math, Integer, multiplication and division instr.
А	Atomic instructions
F	Single-precision floating-point instructions
D	Double-precision floating-point instructions
G	General (I+M+A+F+D)
Q	Quad-precision floating-point instructions
L	Decimal floating-point instructions
С	Compressed instructions (16-bit)
В	Bit manipulation instructions
J	Dynamically translated languages
Т	Tranactional memory instructions
Р	Packed-SIMD instructions
V	Vector operations instructions
N	User-level interrupt instructions

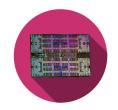
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Registers

RV32 has 32 32-bit registers

Register	ABI Name	Description	Saver	Preserved
x0	zero	Hard-wired zero	-	n/a
x1	ra	Return Address	Caller	No
x2	sp	Stack Pointer	Callee	Yes
х3	gp	Global Pointer	-	n/a
х4	tp	Thread Pointer	-	n/a
x5	t0	Temporary/alternate link register	Caller	No
x6-x7	t1-t2	Temporaries	Caller	No
x8	s0/fp	Saved register	Callee	Yes
x9	s1	Saved register	Callee	Yes
x10-x11	a0-a1	Function arguments/return values	Caller	No
x12-x17	a2-a7	Function arguments	Caller	No
x18-x27	s2-s11	Saved registers	Callee	Yes
x28-x31	t3-t6	Temporaries	Caller	No

Caller vs Callee



Caller: The calling function, which invokes another function (the callee) by issuing a function call.

Callee: The called function, which is invoked by another function (the caller) and executes a specific task.

Caller-Saved Registers:

Registers that a calling function (caller) must save if it wants to preserve their values across a function call. These registers typically include those holding temporary values or function parameters.

Callee-Saved Registers:

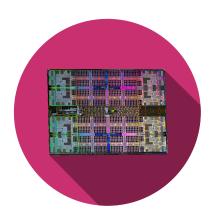
Registers that a called function (callee) must preserve if it modifies them, ensuring that their original values are restored before returning control to the caller. These registers usually include those holding critical information that the caller expects to remain unchanged.

Caller vs Callee

```
1 # Caller function: algo
2 # Arguments: a, b
3 # Return value: result
4 algo:
       addi sp, sp, -4
                         # Decrease stack pointer by 4 bytes
                         # Save return address (ra) on the stack
       sw ra, 0(sp)
8
       # Load arguments into registers
                         # Load argument 'a' (10) into register a0
9
       li a0, 10
10
       li a1, 20
                          # Load argument 'b' (20) into register al
11
12
       # Call the callee function
13
       jal ra, calculate # Jump and link to calculate function,
14
                          # return address stored in ra
15
16
       # Retrieve the result from the return value register
17
                          # Move return value from a0 to s0
       mv s0, a0
18
19
       # Restore return address from the stack
20
                         # Load return address from the stack
       lw ra, 0(sp)
21
       addi sp, sp, 4
                         # Increase stack pointer by 4 bytes
22
23
       # Return
       ret
```



```
1 # Callee function: calculate
2 # Arguments: x, y
3 # Return value: temp
 4 calculate:
       # Allocate space on the stack for local variables
       addi sp, sp, -4
                          # Decrease stack pointer by 4 bytes
       sw ra, \theta(sp)
                           # Save return address (ra) on the stack
 8
9
       # Perform calculation
10
       lw t0, 0(a0)
                           # Load argument 'x' from register a0 into temp reg t0
11
       lw t1, 0(a1)
                           # Load argument 'y' from register al into temp reg tl
                          # Add x and y, store result in a0
12
       add a0, t0, t1
13
14
       # Restore return address from the stack
15
       lw ra, \theta(sp)
                           # Load return address from the stack
16
       addi sp, sp, 4
                          # Increase stack pointer by 4 bytes
17
18
       # Return
19
       ret
```



Instructions

Simple and Complex instructions

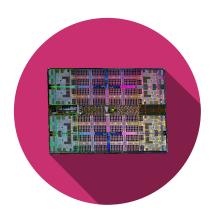
C-Code RISC-V



$$a = b + c$$

$$a = b + c - d$$

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Operands

Operands

Operands are physical locations in the computer

- Registers
- Memory
- Constants (also called immediates)

init: addi s0,

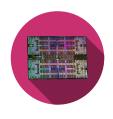
s0, 4

Revisit add instruction

C-Code



$$a = b + c - d$$



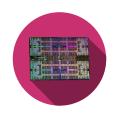
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Rerevisit add instruction

C-Code



$$a = b + c - d$$



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addi instruction

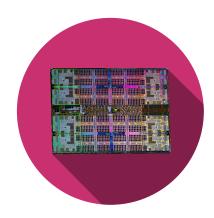
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a = b + 6



RISC-V

$$# s0 = a, s1 = b$$



Memory

Memory



- There is too much data to put in the 32 registers
- Store more data in memory
- Memory is large but slow
- Commonly used variables are kept in registers

Word Addressable Memory



Example of a Word addressable memory

Word Address	Data				Vord Number		
•••					•••		
•••					•••		
0×00000004	4 0	F 3	0 7	8 8	Word 4		
0×00000003	0 1	ΕE	2 8	4 2	Word 3		
0×00000002	F 2	F 1	A C	0 7	Word 2		
0×00000001	8 9	АВ	C D	E F	Word 1		
0×00000000	0 1	2 3	4 5	6 7	Word 0		
width = 4 bytes							

load instructions

Load word: lw

Format:

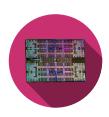
lw destination, offset(base)
lw t1, 5(s0)

Address calculation

- Add base address (s0) to the offset (5)
- Address = (s0+5)

Result

t1 holds the data value at address (s0+5)



load instructions example



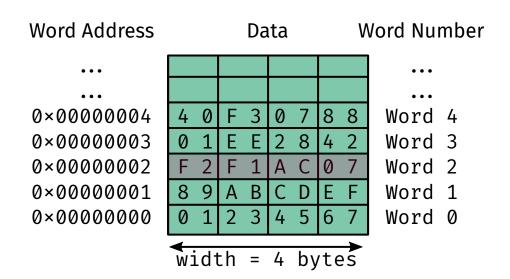
Read a word of data at memory address 2 into s3

• Address: (0+2) = 2

• s3 = 0xF2F1AC07

Assembly code:

lw s3, 0x8(zero)



store instructions

Store word: SW

Format:

sw source, offset(base)
sw t4, 0x3(zero)

Address calculation

- Add base address (zero) to the offset (0x3)
- Address = (0+3)

Result

Data at address (0+3) holds the data from t4



store instructions example



Write (store) a word in t4 into memory address 3

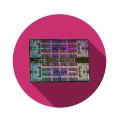
- Address: (0+0x3) = 3
- t4 = 0x01EE2842

Assembly code:

sw t4, 12(zero)

Word Address	Data				٧	Word Number			
•••									•••
• • •									•••
0×00000004	4	0	F	З	0	7	8	8	Word 4
0×00000003	0	1	Ε	Ε	2	8	4	2	Word 3
0×00000002	F	2	F	1	Α	С	0	7	Word 2
0×00000001	8	9	Α	В	С	D	Ε	F	Word 1
0×00000000	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Word 0
						•			
	width = 4 bytes								

Byte Addressable Memory



- RISC-V is byte-addressable memory
- Each databyte has a unique address
- Load/store word or single bytes
 - lb load byte
 - sb store byte
- 32-bit word = 4 bytes, word address increments by 4

Address

• • •

• • •

0×00000010 0×0000000C

0×00000008

0×00000004

0×00000000

00 01 02 03

40	F3	07	88
01	EE	28	42
F2	F1	AC	07
89	AB	CD	EF
01	23	45	67

width = 4bytes

Byte Addressable Memory



The address of a memory word must be multiplied by 4.

- Address of memory word 2 is 2*4=8
- Address of memory word 10 is 10*4=40= 0×28

RISC-V is byte-addressed

... 0×00000010 0×00000000C 0×000000008 0×000000004

0×00000000

Address

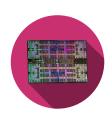
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00 01 02 03

width = 4bytes

load instructions example

Load a word of data at memory address 12 into s3



Assembly code:

lb s3, 0xC(zero)

s3 = 0x00000001

lb s3, 0xD(zero)

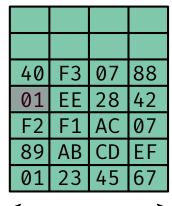
s3 = 0x0000000ee

Address ...

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0×00000000

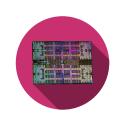
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store instructions example

Store the value held in t7 into memory address 0x10 (16)

• $t7 = 0 \times 000000088$



Address

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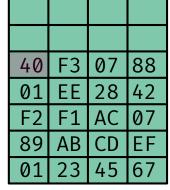
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0×00000010 0×00000000C 0×00000008

0×000000004

0×00000000

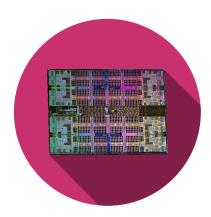
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Assembly code:

sb t7, 0x10(zero)

 $0 \times 00000010 = 88 F30788$

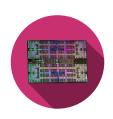


Constants

Constants 12-bit using addi

C-Code

RISC-V



```
// int is a 32-bit signed word # 30 = a, 31 = b
int a = -372;
int b = a + 6;
addi 30, zero, -372
addi 31, 30, 6
```

Any immediate that needs more than 12bits cannot use this method

Constants 12-bit using addi

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RISC-V



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```

Any immediate that needs more than 12bits cannot use this method

$$[-2048 - + 2047]$$

Constants 32-bit using lui and addi



lui: puts and immediate in the upper 20 bits of destination register and 0's in lower 12 bits. addi adds the remaining 12 bits

C-Code RISC-V

Remember that addi sign-extends its 12-bit immediate

Constants 32-bit using lui and addi

If bit 11 of 32bit constant is 1, increment upper 20 bits by 1 in lui

C-Code

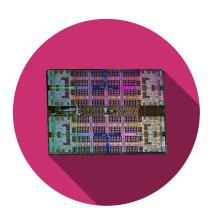
```
Note: -341 = 0 \times EAB
```

RISC-V

```
# 50 = a

lui 50, 0 \times FEDC9 # 50 = 0 \times FEDC9000

addi 50, 50, -341 # 50 = 0 \times FEDC9000 + 0 \times FFFFFEAB = 0 \times FEDC8EAB
```



Logical Instructions

Logical instructions and, or and xor

and: useful for masking bits

E.g. masking all but the least significant byte of a value
 0xF234012F and 0x000000FF = 0x0000002F

or: useful for combining bit fields

• E.g. combing two values: 0xF2340000 or 0x000012BC = 0xF23412BC

xor: useful for inverting bits







Example 1: Logical instructions and, or and xor

Source Registers

s1	0100	0110	1010	0001	1111	0001	1011	0111
s2	1111	1111	1111	1111	0000	0000	0000	0000

RISC-V Code Results

and s3, s1, s2	s3	
or s4, s1, s2	s4	
xor s5, s1, s2	s5	





Example 2: Logical instructions and, or and xor

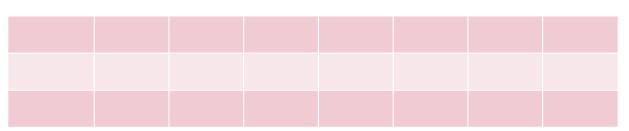
Source Registers

t3	0011	1010	0111	0101	0000	1101	0110	1111
imm	1111	1111	1111	1111	1111	1010	0011	0100
sign extended								

RISC-V Code

andi s5, t3, -1484 s5 ori s6, t3, -1484 s6 xori s7, t3, -1484 s7

Results



Shift instructions sll, srl and sra

Shift amount is in (lower 5 bits of) a register (0 to 31)

sll: shift left logical

• E.g. sll t0, t1, t2 # t0 = t1 << t2

srl: shift right logical

- E.g. srl t0, t1, t2 # t0 = t1 >> t2
- Fills upper bits with zeros

sra: shift right arithmetic

- E.g. sra t0, t1, t2 # t0 = t1 >>> t2
- Fills upper bits with MSb



Shift instructions sll, srl and sra

Shift amount is an immediate between 0 to 31 (5 bits)

slli: shift left logical immediate

• E.g. slli t0, t1, 23 # t0 = t1 << 23

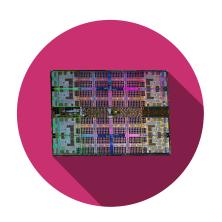
srli: shift right logical immediate

- E.g. srli t0, t1, 18 # t0 = t1 >> 18
- Fills upper bits with zeros

srai: shift right arithmetic immediate

- E.g. srai t0, t1, 5 # t0 = t1 >>> 5
- Fills upper bits with MSb





Multiplication and Division Instructions

Multiplication instructions mul, mulh

32x32 multiplication => 64 bit result

```
mul s0, s1, s2
    s0 = lower 32 bit of result
mulh s0, s1, s2
    s0 = upper 32 bit of result, treats operands as signed
For full 64-bit result
mul s3, s1, s2
mulh s4, s1, s2
```

Example:

$$s1 = 0x40000000 = 2^{30}$$
; $s2 = 0x800000000 = -2^{31}$
 $s1 \times s2 =$
 $s4 =$; $s3 =$





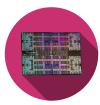
Division instructions div, rem

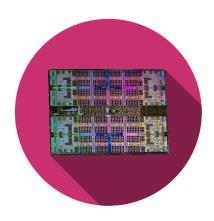
32-division => 32-bit quotient &remainder

Example:

```
s1 = 0x00000011 = 17; s2 = 0x00000003 = 3
s1 / s2 =
s1 % s2 =
s3 = ; s4 =
```







Branch Instructions

Branch instructions beq, bne, blt, bge, j, jr, jal, jalr

Conditional

- beq = Branch if equal
- bne = Branch if not equal
- blt = Branch if less than
- bge = Branch if greater than

Unconditional

- j = jump (pseudo instruction)
- jr = jump register (pseudo instruction)
- jal = jump and link
- jalr = jump and link register

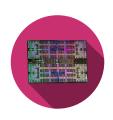
Conditional Branch instructions beq

RISC-V Code

```
addi s0, zero, 4  # s0 = 0 + 4 = 4
addi s1, zero, 1  # s1 = 0 + 1 = 1
slli s1, s1, 2  # s1 = 1 << 2 = 4
beq s0, s1, target # branch is taken
addi s1, s1, 1  # not executed
sub s1, s1, s0  # not executed

target:
    # label
add s1, s1, s0  # s1 = 4 + 4 = 8</pre>
```

Labels indicate instruction location. They can't be reserved word and must be followed by a colon:



Conditional Branch instructions bne

RISC-V Code

```
addi s0, zero, 4  # s0 = 0 + 4 = 4
addi s1, zero, 1  # s1 = 0 + 1 = 1
slli s1, s1, 2  # s1 = 1 << 2 = 4
bne s0, s1, target # branch not taken
addi s1, s1, 1  # s1 = 4 + 1 = 5
sub s1, s1, s0  # s1 = 5 - 4 = 1

target:
add s1, s1, s0  # s1 = 1 + 4 = 5
```

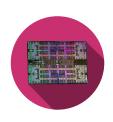


Unconditional Branch instructions j

RISC-V Code

```
j target  # jump to target
srai s1, s1, 2  # not executed
addi s1, s1, 1  # not executed
sub s1, s1, s0  # not executed

target:
add s1, s1, s0  # s1 = 1 + 4 = 5
```



Conditional Statements and Loops

Conditional Statement

- if statements
- if / else statements

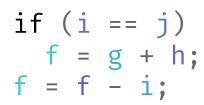
Loops

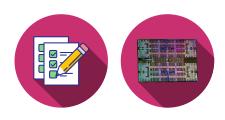
- while loops
- for loops



if Statement

C Code

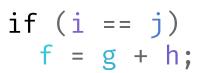




RISC-V Assembly code

if/else Statement

C Code



else

$$f = f - i;$$



RISC-V Assembly code

loops Statement

for (initialization; condition; loop operation)
 statement



- condition: is tested at the beginning of each iteration
- loop operation: executes at the end of each iteration
- statement: executes each time the condition is met



for Statement

C Code



RISC-V Assembly code

```
// add the numbers from 0 to 9 # s0 = i, s1 = sum
int sum = 0;
int i;

for(i=0; i!=10; i=i+1){
   sum = sum + i;
}
```

for with less then comparison

C Code





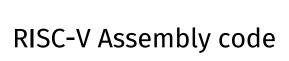
RISC-V Assembly code

```
// add the powers of 2 from 1 # s0 = i, s1 = sum
// to 100
int sum = 0;
int i;

for(i=1;i<101; i=i*2){
   sum = sum + i;
}</pre>
```

for with less then comparison v2

C Code

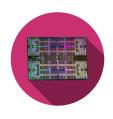




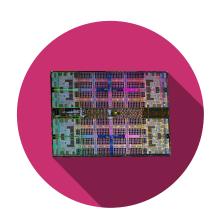
```
// add the powers of 2 from 1
// to 100
int sum = 0;
int i;
for(i=1; i<101; i=i*2){
  sum = sum + i;
```

```
# s0 = sum, s1 = i
 addi s0, zero, 0  # sum = 0
 addi s1, zero, 1  # i = 1
 addi t0, zero, 101 # 101
for:
 slt t2, s1, t0 # i < 101
 beg t2, zero, done
      s0, s0, s1  # sum += i
 slli s1, s1, 1  # i *= 2
      for
done:
```

Compare instructions slt



```
slt: set if less than instruction
```



Arrays

Arrays



Access large amount of similar data

- Index: access each element
- Size: number of elements

Arrays

- 5-element array
- Base address = 0x123B4780 = address of first element array[0]
- First step is load the base address into a register

Address	Data
0×123B4790	array[4]
0×123B478C	array[3]
0×123B4788	array[2]
0×123B4784	array[1]
0×123B4780	array[0]

Main Memory

Accessing Arrays

C-Code

```
int array[5];
array[0] = array[0] * 2;
array[1] = array[1] * 2;
```

RISC-V Assembly

```
# s0 = array base address
lui s0, 0x123B4  # load upper base address
addi s0, s0, 0x180  # load lower base address
lw t0, 0(s0)  # array[0]
slli t0, t0, 1  # x2
sw t0, 0(s0)  # store array back
lw t0, 4(s0)  # array[1]
slli t0, t0, 1  # x2
sw t0, 4(s0)  # store array back
```

Address	Data
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Main Memory

Accessing Arrays using for loops

C-Code

```
int array[1000];
int i;
for (i=0; i<100; i=i+1)
  array[i] = array[i] * 8;
```

RISC-V Assembly

```
# s0, array base address, s1 = i
# initialize code
  lui s0, 0x23B8F # s0 = 0x23B8F000
  ori s0, s0, 0x400 # s0 = 0x23B8F400 addi s1, zero, 0 # i = 0
  addi t2, zero, 1000 # t2 = 1000
loop:
  bge s1, t2, done # if not then done
  slli t0, s1, 2 # t0 = i * 4 (byte_offset)
  add t0, t0, s0  # address of array[i]
lw t1, 0(t0)  # t1 = array[i]
slli t1, t1, 3  # t1 = array[i] * 8
sw t1, 0(t0)  # array[i] = array[i] * 8
  addi s1, s1, 1 # i = i + 1
        loop
                            # repeat
done:
```

Remainder ASCII-Table



Decimal	Hex	Char	Decimal	Hex	Char	Decimal	Hex	Char	Decimal	Hex	Char
0	0	[NULL]	32	20	[SPACE]	64	40	@	96	60	*
1	1	[START OF HEADING]	33	21	1	65	41	A	97	61	a
2	2	[START OF TEXT]	34	22	"	66	42	В	98	62	b
3	3	[END OF TEXT]	35	23	#	67	43	C	99	63	C
4	4	[END OF TRANSMISSION]	36	24	\$	68	44	D	100	64	d
5	5	[ENQUIRY]	37	25	%	69	45	E	101	65	e
6	6	[ACKNOWLEDGE]	38	26	&	70	46	F	102	66	f
7	7	[BELL]	39	27		71	47	G	103	67	g
В	8	[BACKSPACE]	40	28	(72	48	н	104	68	h
9	9	[HORIZONTAL TAB]	41	29)	73	49	1	105	69	1
10	A	[LINE FEED]	42	2A	*	74	4A	J	106	6A	i
11	В	[VERTICAL TAB]	43	2B	+	75	4B	K	107	6B	k
12	C	[FORM FEED]	44	2C	,	76	4C	L	108	6C	1
13	D	[CARRIAGE RETURN]	45	2D	-	77	4D	M	109	6D	m
14	E	[SHIFT OUT]	46	2E		78	4E	N	110	6E	n
15	F	[SHIFT IN]	47	2F	1	79	4F	0	111	6F	0
16	10	[DATA LINK ESCAPE]	48	30	0	80	50	P	112	70	р
17	11	[DEVICE CONTROL 1]	49	31	1	81	51	Q	113	71	q
18	12	[DEVICE CONTROL 2]	50	32	2	82	52	R	114	72	r
19	13	[DEVICE CONTROL 3]	51	33	3	83	53	S	115	73	5
20	14	[DEVICE CONTROL 4]	52	34	4	84	54	Т	116	74	t
21	15	[NEGATIVE ACKNOWLEDGE]	53	35	5	85	55	U	117	75	u
22	16	[SYNCHRONOUS IDLE]	54	36	6	86	56	V	118	76	V
23	17	[ENG OF TRANS. BLOCK]	55	37	7	87	57	W	119	77	w
24	18	[CANCEL]	56	38	8	88	58	X	120	78	х
25	19	[END OF MEDIUM]	57	39	9	89	59	Y	121	79	V
26	1A	[SUBSTITUTE]	58	3A	:	90	5A	Z	122	7A	z
27	18	[ESCAPE]	59	3B	;	91	5B	[123	7B	{
28	10	[FILE SEPARATOR]	60	30	<	92	5C	1	124	7C	Ĭ.
29	1D	[GROUP SEPARATOR]	61	3D	=	93	5D	1	125	7D	}
30	1E	[RECORD SEPARATOR]	62	3E	>	94	5E	^	126	7E	~
31	1F	[UNIT SEPARATOR]	63	3F	?	95	5F		127	7F	[DEL]

Accessing Arrays of Characters

C-Code

```
char str[80] = "CAT";
int len = 0;

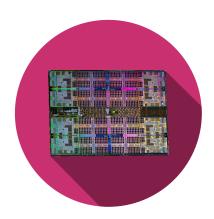
// compute length of
string
while (str[len]) len++;
```

Memory

```
1004 0x00
1003 0x54
1002 0x41
1000 0x43
```

RISC-V Assembly

```
# s0 = array base address, s1 = len
  addi s1, zero, 0  # len = 0
while:
  add t0, s0, s1  # t0 = address of str[len]
  lb t1, 0(t0)  # t1 = str[len]
  beq t1, zero, done # non zero?
  addi s1, s1, 1  # len++
  j while
done:
```



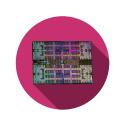
Function Calls

Function Calls

- Caller: calling function (in this case main)
- Callee: called function (in this case sum)

C Code

```
void main(){
  int y;
  y = sum(42,7);
}
int sum(int a, int b)
  return (a + b);
```

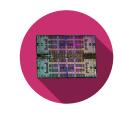


Simple Function Call

C-Code

```
int main(){
simple();
   a= a + b;
}

void simple(){
   return;
}
```



RISC-V Assembly

```
0x00000300 main: jal simple # call, ra=0x00000304
0x00000304 add s0, s1, s2
...
```

0x0000051c simple: jr ra # return

void means that simple does not return a value

```
jal simple:
    ra = PC+4 (0x00000304)
    jumps to simple label (PC = 0x0000051c)
jr ra:
    PC = ra(0x00000304)
```

Function Call Convention



- Caller:
 - Passes arguments to a callee
 - Jumps to callee
- Callee:
 - **Performs** the function
 - Returns result to caller
 - Returns to point of call
 - Must not overwrite registers or memory needed by caller

Input arguments and return value

RISC-V Conventions

- Argument values a0-a7
- Return value: a0



Input arguments and return value Example

C Code

```
int main(){
  int y;
  y = diffofsums(2, 3, 4, 5); // 4 arguments
int diffofsums(int f, int g, int h, int i){
  int result;
  result = (f + g) - (h + i);
  return result; // return value
```



Input arguments and return value: Example

RISC-V Assembly Code

```
# s7 = y main:
```

```
# s3 = result
diffofsums:
```





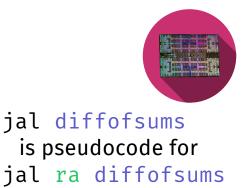
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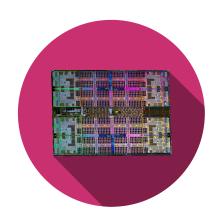
RISC-V Assembly Code

diffofsums:

```
add t0, a0, a1 # t0 = f + g
add t1, a2, a3 # t1 = h + i
sub s3, t0, t1 # result = (f + g) - (h + i)
```

• Diffofsums overwrote 3 registers: t0, t1, s3

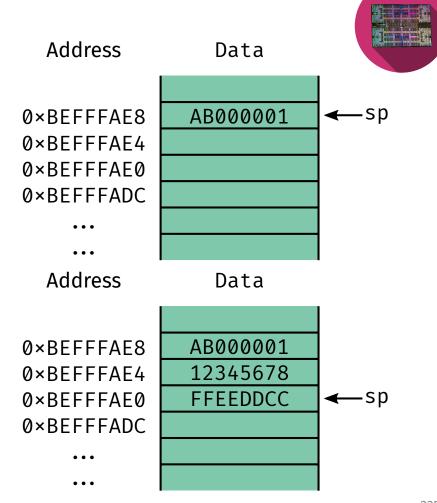




Stack

The Stack

- Memory used to temporarily save variables
- Last-in-frist-out (LIFO) queue
- Expands: uses more memory when more space is needed
- Contracts: uses less memory when the space in no longer required
- Grows down (high to lower memory addresses)
- Stap pointer: sp points to the top of the stack



How Functions use the Stack



- Called functions must have no unintended side effects
- But diffofsums overwrites 3 register: t0, t1, s3 RISC-V assembly code

```
# s3 = result
diffofsums:
   add t0, a0, a1 # t0 = f + g
   add t1, a2, a3 # t1 = h + i
   sub s3, t0, t1 # result = (f + g) - (h + i)
   add a0, s3, zero # put return value in a0
   jr ra # return to caller
```

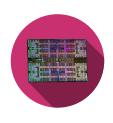
Storing register values in stack

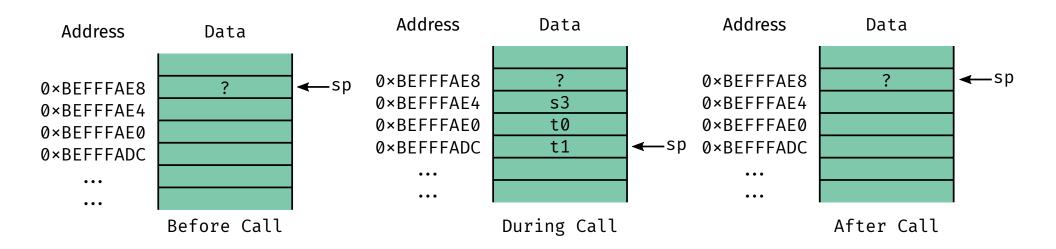
RISC-V assembly code

```
\# s3 = result
diffofsums:
  addi sp, sp, -12 # make space on stack to
                          # store three registers
                          # save s3 on stack
        53, 8(sp)
  SW
      t\theta, 4(sp)
                            save to on stack
  SW
        t1, 0(sp) # save t1 on t0, a0, a1 # t0 = f + g
                            save t1 on stack
  SW
  add
  add t1, a2, a3 # t1 = h + i
sub s3, t0, t1 # result = (f + g) - (h + i)
add a0, s3, zero # put return value in a0
lw s3, 8(sp) # restore s3 from stack
      t\theta', 4(sp)
                     # restore t0 from stack
      t1, 0(sp) # restore t1 from stack
                     # deallocate stack space
  addi sp, sp, 4
  jalr zero, ra, 0 # return to caller
```



The Stack during diffofsums Call





Preserved Registers



Preserved Callee-Saved	Nonpreserved Caller- Saved
s0-s11	t0-t6
	a0-a7
sp	ra
stack above sp	stack below sp

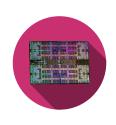
Registers

Register	ABI Name	Description	Saver	Preserved
x0	zero	Hard-wired zero	-	n/a
x1	ra	Return Address	Caller	No
x2	sp	Stack Pointer	Callee	Yes
х3	gp	Global Pointer	-	n/a
х4	tp	Thread Pointer	-	n/a
x5	t0	Temporary/alternate link register	Caller	No
x6-x7	t1-t2	Temporaries	Caller	No
x8	s0/fp	Saved register	Callee	Yes
x9	s1	Saved register	Callee	Yes
x10-x11	a0-a1	Function arguments/return values	Caller	No
x12-x17	a2-a7	Function arguments	Caller	No
x18-x27	s2-s11	Saved registers	Callee	Yes
x28-x31	t3-t6	Temporaries	Caller	No

Storing Saved Registers in the Stack

RISC-V assembly code

```
# s3 = result
diffofsums:
  addi sp, sp, -4 # make space on stack to
                     # store one registers
  sw s3, 0(sp) # save s3 on stack
  add t0, a0, a1 \# t0 = f + g add t1, a2, a3 \# t1 = h + i
  sub s3, t0, t1 # result = (f + g) - (h + i)
  add a0, s3, zero # put return value in a0
  lw s3, \emptyset(sp) # restore s3 from stack
  addi sp, sp, 4 # deallocate stack space
                     # return to caller
  jr
       ra
```



Optimized diffofsums

RISC-V assembly code

```
# a0 = result
diffofsums:
  add t0, a0, a1  # t0 = f + g
  add t1, a2, a3  # t1 = h + i
  sub a0, t0, t1  # result = (f + g) - (h + i)
  jr ra  # return to caller
```



Nested function aka Non-leaf Function Calls



Non-leaf function: a function that calls another function RISC-V assembly code

```
f1:
  addi sp, sp, -4 # make space on stack
  sw ra, 0(sp) # save ra on stack
  jal f2
  iv ra, 0(sp) # restore ra from stack
  addi sp, sp, 4 # deallocate stack space
  jr ra # return caller
```

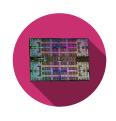
ra must be preseved before a function call

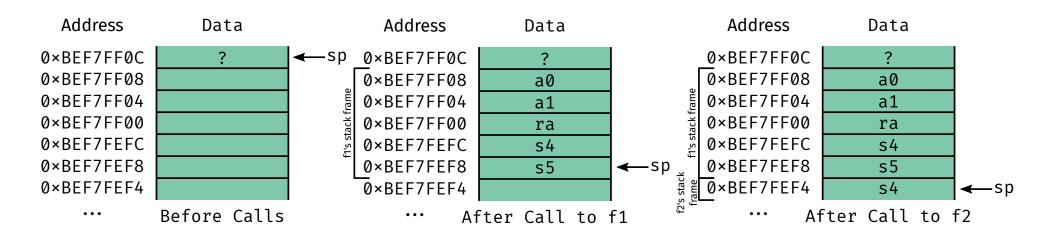
Non-leaf Function Calls: Example

```
f1:
 addi sp, sp ,-20 # make space on stack for 5 words
 sw a0, 16(sp)
 sw a1, 12(sp)
               # save ra on stack
 sw ra, 8(sp)
 sw s4, 4(sp)
 sw s5, 0(sp)
  jal f2
 lw ra, 8(sp) # restore ra (and other regs) from stack
 addi sp, sp, 20 # deallocate stack space
 jr ra
# f2 (leaf-function) only uses s4 and calls no functions
f2:
 addi sp, sp, -4 # make space on stack for 1 word
      s4, 0(sp)
 SW
     s4, 0 (sp)
 lw
 addi sp, sp, 4 # deallocate stack space
    ra # return to caller
 ir
```



Non-leaf Function Calls: Example





Function Call Summary

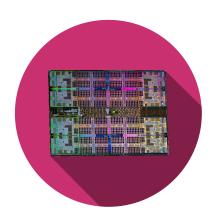
Caller

- Put arguments in a0-a7
- Save any needed registers (ra, t0-t6/a0-a7)
- Call function: jal callee
- Restore any saved registers
- Look for result in a0

Callee

- Save registers that might be distrubed (s0-s11)
- Perform function
- Put result in a0
- Restore registers
- Return: jr ra





Jumps and Pseudoeinstructions

Jumps



- RISC-V has two types of unconditional jumps
 - Jump and link (jal rd, label)→(jal rd, imm_{20:0})
 - rd = PC+4; PC = PC + imm
 - Jump and link register (jalr rd, rs, imm_{11:0})
 - rd = PC+4; PC = rs + SignExt(imm)
- Linking is the storage of the next executable return address rd

Pseudoinstructions



- Pseudoinstructions are not RISC-V instructions but often more convenient for the programmer
- Assembler converts them into RISC-V instructions

Jump Pseudoinstructions



Four jump pseudoinstructions exist

```
    j imm => jal x0, imm
    jal imm => jal ra, imm
    jr rs => jalr x0, rs, 0
    # return address in ra
    jr rs => jalr x0, rs, 0
    # return address ignored
    # jump address rs+0
    ret => jr ra
    => jalr x0, ra, 0)
```

Labels

- Label indicated where to jump to
- Represented in jump as immediate offset
 - imm = # bytes past jump instruction
 - In example, below, imm = (0x51C-0x300) = 0x21C

RISC-V assembly code

Long Jumps

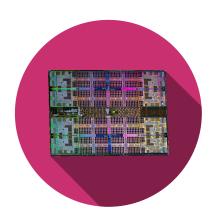
- The immediate is limited in size
 - 20bits for jal, 12bits for jalr
 - Limits how far a program can jump
- Special instruction to help jumping further
 - auipc rd, imm # add upper immediate to PC
 - rd = PC + $\{imm_{31:12}, 12'b0\}$
- Pseudoinstruction: call imm_{31:0}
 - Behaves like jal imm, but allows 32-bit immediate offset
 - ra is used as a temporary register
 - auipc, ra, imm_{31:12}
 - jalr ra, ra, imm_{11:0}



Common Pseudoinstructions



Pseudoinstruction	RISC-V Instruction
j label	jal zero, label
jr ra	jalr zero, ra, 0
mv t5, s3	addi t5, s3, 0
not s7, t2	xori s7, t2, -1
nop	addi zero, zero, 0
li s8, 0x56789DEF	lui s8, 0x5678A addi s8, s8, 0xDEF
bgt s1, t3, L3	blt t3, s1, L3
bgez t2, L7	bge t2, zero, L7
call L1	auipc ra, imm31:12 jalr ra, ra, imm11:0
ret	jalr zero, ra, 0



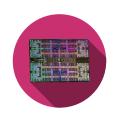
Machine Language

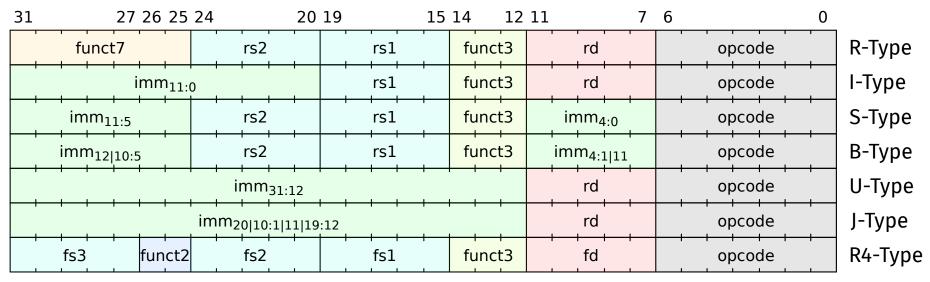
Machine Language

- Binary representation of instructions
- Computers only understand 0's and 1's
- 32-bit instructions
- 5 Types of instructions
 - R4-Type (4 Registers)
 - R-Type (**R**egister)
 - I-Type (Immediate)
 - S/B Type (Store & Branches)
 - U/J Type (Upper Immediate & Jump)



Instruction Types

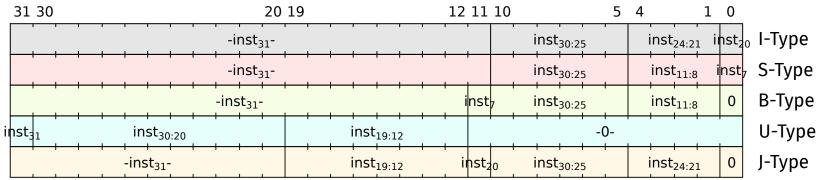


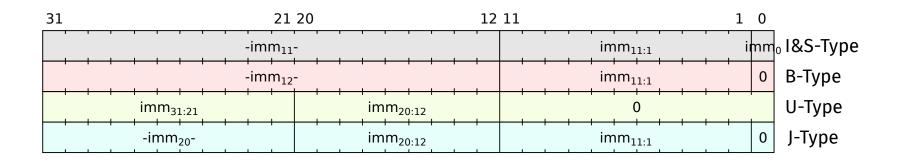


- Immediate bits mostly occupy consistent instruction bits
 - Simplifies hardware to build the microprocessor
- Sign bit of signed immediate is in msb of instruction

Immediate Encodings







Example: R-Type





Assembly Encoding

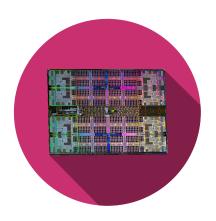
add s2, s3, s4

sub t0, t1, t2

funct7	rs2	rs1	funct3	rd	ор
7bits	5bits	5bits	3bits	5bits	7bits
funct7	rs2	rs1	funct3	rd	ор
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Field Values Machine Code

Field Values Machine Code



Decode Machine Language

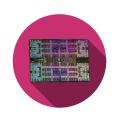
Decode Machine Language

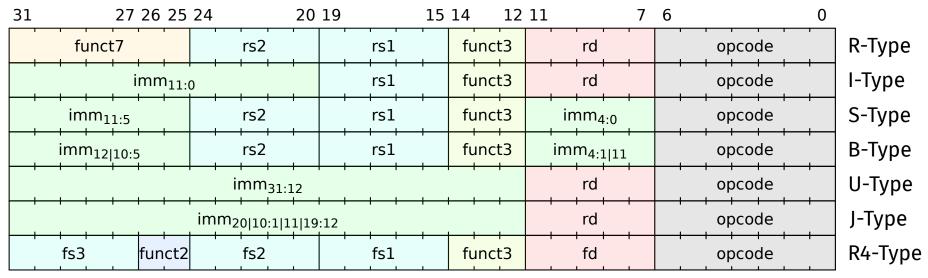
- See your own summary for a decoding reference table
- Start with op & funct3: it tells how to parse the rest
- Extract fields
- op, funct3 and funct7 fields tell the operation

ор	funct3	funct7	Туре	Instru	ction		Description	Operation
0000011 (3)	000	_	I	lb	rd,	imm(rs1)	load b yte	rd = SignExt([Address][7:0])
0000011 (3)	001	_	I	lh	rd,	<pre>imm(rs1)</pre>	load half	rd = SignExt([Address][15:0])
0000011 (3)	010	_	I	lw	rd,	<pre>imm(rs1)</pre>	load word	rd = [Address][31:0]
0000011 (3)	100	_	I	lbu	rd,	<pre>imm(rs1)</pre>	load b yte u nsigned	rd = ZeroExt([Address][7:0])
0000011 (3)	101	_	I	lhu	rd,	<pre>imm(rs1)</pre>	load half unsigned	rd = ZeroExt([Address][15:0])
0010011 (19)	000	-	I	addi	rd,	rs1, imm	add immediate	rd = rs1 + SignExt(imm)
0010011 (19)	001	0000000*	I	slli	rd,	rs1, uimm	s hift l eft l ogical i mm.	rd = rs1 << uimm
0010011 (19)	010	_	I	slti	rd,	rs1, imm	s et l ess t han i mm.	rd = (rs1 < SignExt(imm))
0010011 (19)	011	_	I	sltiu	rd,	rs1, imm	s et l ess t hen i mm. u nsig.	rd = (rs1 < SignExt(imm))
0010011 (19)	100	_	I	xori	rd,	rs1, imm	xor i mmediate	rd = rs1 ^ SignExt(imm)
0010011 (19)	101	0000000*	I	srli	rd,	rs1, uimm	s hift r ight l ogical i mm.	rd = rs1 >> uimm 264
0010011 (19)	101	0100000*	I	srai	rd,	rs1, uimm	s hift r ight a rithmetic i mm.	rd = rs1 >>> uimm



Instruction Types





- Immediate bits mostly occupy consistent instruction bits
 - Simplifies hardware to build the microprocessor
- Sign bit of signed immediate is in msb of instruction

Decode Machine Language



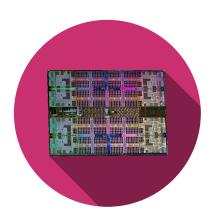
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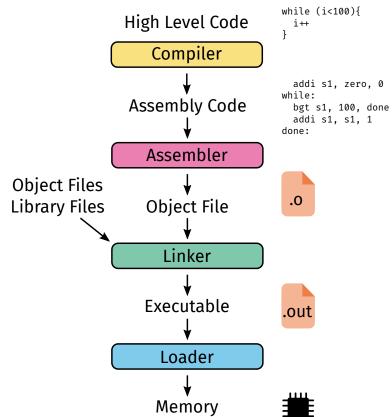
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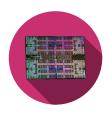
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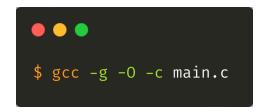
Compile and Run

Compile and Run a Program





Compile a program



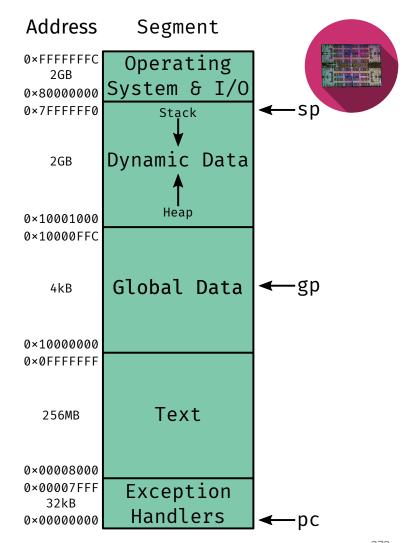
- Instructions are also called text
- Data
 - Global/static: allocated before program begins
 - Dynamic: allocated within program

Size of memory = 2^{32} = 4GB

0x00000000 - 0xfffffff

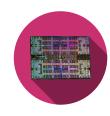
Memory Map: Example

- Not necessarly defined by the processor but by the OS
- Exception handler
- First bytes instruction to load a boot flash into memory and jump to the instructions
- Text: hold the user program
- Global Data hold global variable and can be small
- Dynamic data: heap from the bottom and stack from the top
 - If they collide mem alloc error



Memory

Stack vs Heap



fn main

```
let s1 = String::from("hello"); // "hello" is stored on the heap,
with a pointer for s1 on the stack
let s2 = s1; // "s2 pointer pointing to the same "hello" is created
on the stack, while s1 pointer is invalidated
println!("s1 = {}, s2 = {}", s1, s2); // WE CANNOT USE s1 ANYMORE!
```

Assembler Directives



Description		
Text section		
Global data section		
Section names .foo		
Align next data/instr on 2^N -byte boundary		
Align next data/instr on N-byte boundary		
Label sym is global		
Store string "str" in memory		
Store N 32bit values in successive memory		
Store N 8bit values in successive memory		
Reserve N bytes to stroe variables		
Define symbol name with value constant		
End of assembly code		

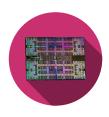
Example using Assembler Directives

```
.globl main # make the main label global
.equ N, 5 \# N = 5
.data # global data segment
A: .word 5, 42, -88, 2, -5033, 720, 314
str1: .string "RISC-V"
.align 2 # align next data on 2^2-byte boundary
B: .word 0x32A
.bss # bss segment - variables initialized to 0
C: .space 4
D: .space 1
.balign 4 # align next instruction on 4-byte boundary
.text # text segment (code)
main:
la t0. A # t0 = address of A = 0x2150
la t1, str1 # t1 = address of str1 = 0x216C
la t2. B # t2 = address of B = 0x2174
la t3, C # t3 = address of C = 0x2188
la t4, D # t4 = address of D = 0x218C
lw\ t5, N*4(t0) # t5 = A[N] = A[5] = 720 = 0x2D0
lw\ t6,\ 0(t2)\ \#\ t6=B=810=0x32A
add t5, t5, t6 # t5 = A[N] + C = 720 + 810 = 1530 = 0x5FA
sw \ t5, 0(t3) \# C = 1530 = 0x5FA
lb\ t5,\ N-1(t1)\ \#\ t5=str1[N-1]=str1[4]='-'=0x2D
sb\ t5,\ 0(t4)\ \#\ D=str1[N-1]=0x2D
la t5, str2 # t5 = address of str2 = 0x140
lb\ t6,\ 8(t5)\ \#\ t6 = str2[8] = 'r' = 0x72
sb\ t6,\ 0(t1)\ \#\ str1[0]\ =\ 'r'\ =\ 0x72
jr ra # return
.section .rodata
```



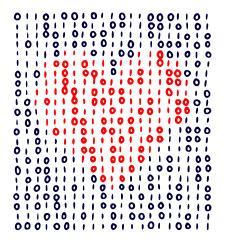
str2: .string "Hello world!"
.end # end of assembly file

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