# CSSE 232 Computer Architecture I

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Other Architectures

## Class Status

Reading for today

• 2.16-17

## Outline

- Load-store
- Accumulator
- Memory-to-Memory
- Stack
- Advantages/Disadvantages

#### Load-Store architectures

- All operations occur in registers
- Register-to-register instructions have three operands per instruction
- Special instructions to access main memory

## Other Architectures

- Accumulator
- Memory-to-memory
- Stack

#### Accumulator Architecture

- All operations use an accumulator register
- Operands come from the accumulator or memory
- Result of most operations is stored in the accumulator

# Memory-to-Memory Architecture

- Similar to load-store architectures, but no registers
- All three operands of each instruction are in memory

#### Stack Architecture

- All operations occur on top of the stack
- Only push and pop access memory
- All other instructions remove their operands from the stack and replace them with the result
- The implementation uses a stack for the top two entries
- Accesses that use other stack positions are memory references

## Examples

- Want to execute the statement
   a = b + c;
- a, b, and c are variables in memory

# Accumulator

#### Accumulator

```
load AddressB # Acc = Memory[AddrB] or Acc = B
add AddressC # Acc = B + Memory[AddrC] or Acc = B + C
store AddressA # Memory[AddrA] = Acc or A = B + C
```

# Memory-to-Memory

# Memory-to-Memory

add AddressA, AddressB, AddressC

# Stack

## Stack

```
push AddressC # Top = Top+4; Stack[Top] = Memory[AddrC]
push AddressB # Top = Top+4; Stack[Top] = Memory[AddrB]
add # Stack[Top-4] = Stack[Top] + Stack[Top-4];
# Top = Top-4
pop AddressA # Memory[AddrA] = Stack[Top]; Top = Top - 4
```

## Load-Store

#### Load-Store

```
load r1 AddressB # r1 = Memory[AddressB]
load r2 AddressC # r2 = Memory[AddressC]
add r3 r1 r2 # r3 = r1 + r2
store r3 AddressA # Memory[AddressA] = r3
```

# Group Assignment

 What do you think are the advantages/disadvantages of each of the types of architectures?

# Advantages and Disadvantages

- Stack Advantages
  - Short instructions.
- Stack Disadvantages
  - A stack can't be randomly accessed
  - Hard to generate efficient code
  - The stack itself is accessed every operation and becomes a bottleneck
- Accumulator Advantages
  - Short instructions
- Accumulator Disadvantages
  - The accumulator is only temporary storage so memory traffic is the high for this approach.

# Advantages and Disadvantages

- Load-Store Advantages
  - Makes code generation easy
  - Data can be stored for long periods in registers.
- Load-Store Disadvantages
  - All operands must be named leading to longer instructions.
- Memory-to-Memory Advantages
  - Simple processor design
- Memory-to-Memory Disadvantages
  - Same as L+S
  - Bottleneck at memory access

## Alternative designs

#### Complete Instruction Set Computer (CISC)

- Examples
  - IBM 360, DEC VAX, Intel 80x86, Motorola 68xxx
- Features
  - Varying instruction lengths
  - Memory locations as operands
  - Source operand is also the destination

#### Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC)

- Examples
  - MIPS, Alpha, PowerPC, SPARC
- Load/store
- Same instruction lengths
- Longer code programs

#### Hello world in x86 for Linux

```
section data
                          : section for initialized data
str: db 'Hello world!', OAh; message with new-line at the end
                          : calcs string length by subtracting
str len: equ $ - str
                           ; this 'address ($) from string address
                           : this is the code section
section .text
                           ; _start is the entry point
global _start
_start:
                           ; procedure start
                           ; specify the sys_write function code
       eax. 4
  mov
      ebx. 1
                           ; specify file descriptor stdout
  mov
                          ; move string start address to ecx register
  mov ecx. str
  mov edx, str_len
                          ; move length of message
                           ; tell kernel to perform the system call
  int 80h
                          ; specify sys_exit function code
  mov eax. 1
                          : specify return code for OS
  mov
        ebx. 0
         80h
                           ; tell kernel to perform system call
  int
```

## Hello world in MIPS for SPIM

## Hello world in PS2 MIPS for Linux

# hello.S by Spencer T. Parkin

```
rdata
                                 # begin read-only data segment
        .align 2
                                 # because of the way memory is built
hello:
       .asciz "Hello, world!\n" # a null terminated string
                                 # because of the way memory is built
        .align
length: .word . - hello
                                 \# length = IC - (hello-addr)
        text
                                 # begin code segment
                                 # for gcc/ld linking
        .globl
               main
        ent.
               main
                                 # for gdb debugging info.
main:
                                 # load stdout fd
       move a0, $0
                                 # load string address
        a1.hello
                                # load string length
       lw
               a2,length
        Ti-
               vO,__NR_write
                                 # specify system write service
        syscall
                                 # call the kernel (write string)
               v0.0
                                 # load return code
        Ηi
               ra
                                 # return to caller
               main
                                 # for dgb debugging info.
        end
```

From http://tldp.org/HOWTO/Assembly-HOWTO/mips.html

## Review and Questions

- Load-store
- Accumulator
- Memory-to-Memory
- Stack
- $\bullet \ \, \mathsf{Advantages}/\mathsf{Disadvantages}$

# Project time

Work on relprime()