



MIPS Instruction Set

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Data Transfer Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>li \$reg, imm</code>	<code>li \$t0, 0x100</code>	Loads an Immediate (<i>constant</i>) value into a register.
<code>la \$reg, label</code>	<code>la \$a1, Label</code>	Loads the Address that a label points to into a register.
<code>lui \$reg0, imm</code>	<code>lui \$a0, 0x1F80</code>	Loads Upper Immediate loads a value in the upper part of a register [0xUUUU—]
<code>move \$reg0, \$reg1</code>	<code>move \$a0, \$s1</code>	Copies the value from one register to another.

Load Instructions (From Memory)

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>lw \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>lw \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Loads Word (32 bits) from an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>lh \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>lh \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Loads Half (16 bits) from an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>lb \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>lb \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Loads Byte (8 bits) from an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>lwu \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>lwu \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Loads Word (32 bits) Unsigned from an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>lhu \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>lhu \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Loads Half (16 bits) Unsigned from an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>lbu \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>lbu \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Loads Byte (8 bits) Unsigned from an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.

Store Instructions (To Memory)

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>sw \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>sw \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Store Word (32 bits) from a register to an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>sh \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>sh \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Store Half (16 bits) from a register to an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>sb \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>sb \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Store Byte (8 bits) from a register to an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>swu \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>swu \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Store Word (32 bits) Unsigned from a register to an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>shu \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>shu \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Store Half (16 bits) Unsigned from a register to an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.
<code>sbu \$reg, offset(baseaddr)</code>	<code>sbu \$t1, 0x0060(\$t0)</code>	Store Byte (8 bits) Unsigned from a register to an address, where the final address is an immediate <i>offset</i> from a baseaddr that must be stored in a register.

Shift Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>sll \$a, \$b, imm</code>	<code>sll \$t0, \$t0, 1</code>	Shift Left Logical by a constant amount of bits. <code>\$a = \$b << imm</code>
<code>srl \$a, \$b, imm</code>	<code>srl \$t0, \$t0, 2</code>	Shift Right Logical by a constant amount of bits. <code>\$a = \$b >>> imm</code>
<code>sra \$a, \$b, imm</code>	<code>sra \$t0, \$t0, 1</code>	Shift Right Arithmetic by a constant amount of bits. <code>\$a = \$b >> imm</code>
<code>sllv \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>sllv \$t0, \$t0, \$t1</code>	Shift Left Logical by the amount in the register. <code>\$a = \$b << \$c</code>
<code>srlv \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>srlv \$t0, \$t0, \$t2</code>	Shift Right Logical by the amount in the register. <code>\$a = \$b >>> \$c</code>
<code>srav \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>srav \$t0, \$t1, \$t2</code>	Shift Right Arithmetic by the amount in the register. <code>\$a = \$b >> \$c</code>

Addition Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>add \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>add \$t0, \$t0, \$t1</code>	Adds (signed) numbers from registers. <code>\$a = \$b + \$c</code>
<code>addu \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>addu \$t0, \$t1, \$t2</code>	Adds Unsigned numbers from registers. <code>\$a = \$b + \$c</code>
<code>addi \$a, \$b, imm</code>	<code>addi \$t0, \$t1, 5</code>	Adds an Immediate (signed) number. <code>\$a = \$b + imm</code>
<code>addiu \$a, \$b, imm</code>	<code>addiu \$t0, \$t0, 1</code>	Adds Immediate Unsigned numbers. <code>\$a = \$b + imm</code>

Subtraction Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>sub \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>sub \$t0, \$t0, \$t1</code>	Subtracts (signed) numbers from registers. <code>\$a = \$b - \$c</code>
<code>subu \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>subu \$t0, \$t1, \$t2</code>	Subtracts Unsigned numbers from registers. <code>\$a = \$b - \$c</code>

Multiplication Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>mult \$a, \$b</code>	<code>mult \$t0, \$t1</code>	Multiply (signed) numbers from two registers.
<code>multu \$a, \$b</code>	<code>multu \$t0, \$t1</code>	Multiply Unsigned numbers from two registers.

Division Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>div \$a, \$b</code>	<code>div \$t0, \$t1</code>	Divide (signed) numbers from two registers.
<code>divu \$a, \$b</code>	<code>divu \$t0, \$t1</code>	Divide Unsigned numbers from two registers.

Multiply & Divide instructions will store their results in two additional regiters, **HI** and **LO**. We can fetch the contents from **HI** and **LO** using the instructions **mfhi** and **mflo**.

`mfhi $reg`

`mflo $reg`

Logical Bitwise Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>and \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>and \$t0, \$t0, \$t1</code>	Logical bitwise AND <code>\$a = \$b & \$c</code>
<code>andi \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>andi \$t0, \$t1, 0xF000</code>	Logical bitwise AND Immediate <code>\$a = \$b & imm</code>
<code>or \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>or \$t0, \$t0, \$t1</code>	Logical bitwise OR <code>\$a = \$b \$c</code>
<code>ori \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>ori \$t0, \$t1, 0x00FF</code>	Logical bitwise OR Immediate <code>\$a = \$b imm</code>
<code>xor \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>xor \$t0, \$t0, \$t1</code>	Logical bitwise Exclusive-OR <code>\$a = \$b ^ \$c</code>
<code>xori \$a, \$b, \$c</code>	<code>xori \$t0, \$t0, 0xFFFF</code>	Logical bitwise Exclusive-OR Immediate <code>\$a = \$b ^ imm</code>

Branch Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>beq a, b, label</code>	<code>beq \$t0, \$t1, Label</code>	Branch if Equals <code>if (a == b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bne a, b, label</code>	<code>bne \$t0, 100, Label</code>	Branch if Not Equals <code>if (a != b) then jump to label</code>
<code>blt a, b, label</code>	<code>blt \$t0, \$t2, Label</code>	Branch if Less Than <code>if (a < b) then jump to label</code>
<code>ble a, b, label</code>	<code>ble \$t0, \$t2, Label</code>	Branch if Less or Equals <code>if (a <= b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bgt a, b, label</code>	<code>bgt \$t0, 5, Label</code>	Branch if Greater Than <code>if (a > b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bge a, b, label</code>	<code>bge \$t0, \$t2, Label</code>	Branch if Greater or Equals <code>if (a >= b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bltu a, b, label</code>	<code>bltu \$t0, \$t2, Label</code>	Branch if Less Than (unsigned) <code>if (a < b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bleu a, b, label</code>	<code>bleu \$t0, \$t2, Label</code>	Branch if Less or Equals (unsigned) <code>if (a <= b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bgtu a, b, label</code>	<code>bgtu \$t0, 5, Label</code>	Branch if Greater Than (unsigned) <code>if (a > b) then jump to label</code>
<code>bgeu a, b, label</code>	<code>bgeu \$t0, \$t2, Label</code>	Branch if Greater or Equals (unsigned) <code>if (a >= b) then jump to label</code>

b can be either a register or an Immediate

Jump Instructions

Instruction	Example	Description
<code>j label</code>	<code>j Loop</code>	Unconditional jump to Label (address)
<code>jal label</code>	<code>jal Subroutine</code>	Jump & Link stores the return address in the register \$ra .
<code>jr \$reg</code>	<code>jr \$t1</code>	Jump to Register jumps to an address in a register
<code>jalr \$reg</code>	<code>jalr \$t0</code>	Jump & Link Register jumps to an address in a register and stores the return address in \$ra .