

## PRFB (vector plus immediate)

Gather prefetch bytes (vector plus immediate)

Gather prefetch of bytes from the active memory addresses generated by a vector base plus immediate index. The index is in the range 0 to 31. Inactive addresses are not prefetched from memory.

The <prfop> symbol specifies the prefetch hint as a combination of three options: access type PLD for load or PST for store; target cache level L1, L2 or L3; temporality (KEEP for temporal or STRM for non-temporal).

This instruction is illegal when executed in Streaming SVE mode, unless FEAT\_SME\_FA64 is implemented and enabled.

It has encodings from 2 classes: [32-bit element](#) and [64-bit element](#)

### 32-bit element

31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	imm5			1	1	1	Pg			Zn			0	prfop							
msz<1>							msz<0>																								

**PRFB** <prfop>, <Pg>, [<Zn>.S{, #<imm>}]

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if !HaveSVE() then UNDEFINED;
constant integer esize = 32;
integer g = UInt(Pg);
integer n = UInt(Zn);
integer level = UInt(prfop<2:1>);
boolean stream = (prfop<0> == '1');
pref_hint = if prfop<3> == '0' then Prefetch_READ else Prefetch_WRITE;
integer scale = 0;
integer offset = UInt(imm5);

```

### 64-bit element

31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	imm5			1	1	1	Pg			Zn			0	prfop							
msz<1>							msz<0>																								

**PRFB** <prfop>, <Pg>, [<Zn>.D{, #<imm>}]

```

if !HaveSVE() then UNDEFINED;
constant integer esize = 64;
integer g = UInt(Pg);
integer n = UInt(Zn);
integer level = UInt(prfop<2:1>);
boolean stream = (prfop<0> == '1');
pref_hint = if prfop<3> == '0' then Prefetch_READ else Prefetch_WRITE;
integer scale = 0;
integer offset = UInt(imm5);

```

Assembler Symbols

<prfop> Is the prefetch operation specifier, encoded in “prfop”:

prfop	<prfop>
0000	PLDL1KEEP
0001	PLDL1STRM
0010	PLDL2KEEP
0011	PLDL2STRM
0100	PLDL3KEEP
0101	PLDL3STRM
x11x	#uimm4
1000	PSTL1KEEP
1001	PSTL1STRM
1010	PSTL2KEEP
1011	PSTL2STRM
1100	PSTL3KEEP
1101	PSTL3STRM

<Pg> Is the name of the governing scalable predicate register P0-P7, encoded in the "Pg" field.

<Zn> Is the name of the base scalable vector register, encoded in the "Zn" field.

<imm> Is the optional unsigned immediate byte offset, in the range 0 to 31, defaulting to 0, encoded in the "imm5" field.

Operation

```
CheckNonStreamingSVEEnabled();
constant integer VL = CurrentVL;
constant integer PL = VL DIV 8;
constant integer elements = VL DIV esize;
bits(PL) mask = P[g, PL];
bits(VL) base;

if AnyActiveElement(mask, esize) then
    base = Z[n, VL];

for e = 0 to elements-1
    if ActivePredicateElement(mask, e, esize) then
        bits(64) addr = ZeroExtend(Elem[base, e, esize], 64) + (offset <
        Hint_Prefetch(addr, pref_hint, level, stream);
```