

# MIPS Assembly

## Arithmetic Instructions

# MIPS Instruction Set

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- Arithmetic (ADD, SUB, MULT, DIV)
  - Logic, and Shifting Instructions
- Conditional Branch Instructions
- Function Call Instructions
- Load and Store Instructions.

# 1. Arithmetic, Logic, and Shifting Instructions

## 4.4.1 Arithmetic Instructions

Op	Operands	Description
◦ abs	<i>des, src1</i>	<i>des</i> gets the absolute value of <i>src1</i> .
→ add(u)	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets <i>src1</i> + <i>src2</i> .
→ and	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the bitwise and of <i>src1</i> and <i>src2</i> .
→ div(u)	<i>src1, reg2</i>	Divide <i>src1</i> by <i>reg2</i> , leaving the quotient in register lo and the remainder in register hi.
◦ div(u)	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets <i>src1</i> / <i>src2</i> .
→ ◦ mul	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets <i>src1</i> × <i>src2</i> .
◦ mulo	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets <i>src1</i> × <i>src2</i> , with overflow.
mult(u)	<i>src1, reg2</i>	Multiply <i>src1</i> and <i>reg2</i> , leaving the low-order word in register lo and the high-order word in register hi.
◦ neg(u)	<i>des, src1</i>	<i>des</i> gets the negative of <i>src1</i> .
→ nor	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the bitwise logical <b>nor</b> of <i>src1</i> and <i>src2</i> .
◦ not	<i>des, src1</i>	<i>des</i> gets the bitwise logical negation of <i>src1</i> .
→ or	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the bitwise logical <b>or</b> of <i>src1</i> and <i>src2</i> .
◦ rem(u)	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the remainder of dividing <i>src1</i> by <i>src2</i> .
◦ rol	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the result of rotating left the contents of <i>src1</i> by <i>src2</i> bits.
◦ ror	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the result of rotating right the contents of <i>src1</i> by <i>src2</i> bits.
→ sll	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets <i>src1</i> shifted left by <i>src2</i> bits.
→ sra	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	Right shift arithmetic.
→ srl	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	Right shift logical.
→ sub(u)	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets <i>src1</i> - <i>src2</i> .
→ xor	<i>des, src1, src2</i>	<i>des</i> gets the bitwise exclusive <b>or</b> of <i>src1</i> and <i>src2</i> .

pseudo-instructions

# loading an **i**mmEDIATE value

- **li** is a **pseudo-instruction** that loads an immediate value into a register
- **Pseudo-instructions** are only understood by the MIPS assembler but not by the CPU (MIPS)
- More MIPS **pseudo-instructions**:
- **blt, bgt, ble, neg, not, bge, li, la, move**

We already used the 3 pseudo-instructions: **li, la, move**

# `li` (`load-immediate`) pseudo-instruction

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- `li $t0, 25`
- It is equivalent to:

```
addi $t0, $0, 25
```

# la (load-address) pseudo-instruction

- `la $t0, 0x74A12`

- It is equivalent to:

- `lui $t0, 0x0007`

- `ori $t0, $t0, 0x4A12`

- `lui` = load-upper-immediate (loads the upper 16 bits and the lower 16 bits with zeros)

- `ori` = or-immediate

# move pseudo-instruction

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- `move $a0, $t4`
- It is equivalent to:
- `add $a0, $t4, $0`      `# $a0 = $t4`



# Addition and Subtraction

## Example-1

# Add ... Sub

sub \$t3,\$t0,\$t1: (\$t3 = \$t0-\$t1)

```
.text  
.globl main
```

main:

```
li    $t0, 9  
li    $t1, 6  
li    $t2, 7  
sub   $t3, $t0, $t1  
add   $t4, $t3, $t2  
  
li    $v0, 10  
syscall
```

What is the function that is implemented ?. \$t4=?

# Add ... Sub

sub \$t3,\$t0,\$t1: (\$t3 = \$t0-\$t1)

Function: (\$t0-\$t1) + \$t2

```
.text
```

```
.globl main
```

```
main:
```

```
li    $t0, 9
```

```
li    $t1, 6
```

```
li    $t2, 7
```

```
sub    $t3, $t0, $t1
```

```
add    $t4, $t3, $t2
```

```
li    $v0, 10
```

```
syscall
```



Registers		Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value	
\$zero	0	0	
\$at	1	0	
\$v0	2	10	
\$v1	3	0	
\$a0	4	0	
\$a1	5	0	
\$a2	6	0	
\$a3	7	0	
\$t0	8	9	
\$t1	9	6	
\$t2	10	7	
\$t3	11	3	
\$t4	12	10	
\$t5	13	0	
\$t6	14	0	
\$t7	15	0	
\$s0	16	0	
\$s1	17	0	
\$s2	18	0	
\$s3	19	0	
\$s4	20	0	
\$s5	21	0	
\$s6	22	0	
\$s7	23	0	
\$t8	24	0	
\$t9	25	0	
\$k0	26	0	
\$k1	27	0	
\$gp	28	268468224	
\$sp	29	2147479548	
\$fp	30	0	
\$ra	31	0	
pc		4194332	
hi		0	
lo		0	

# Addition and Subtraction

## Example-2

Trace the code

```
.text
.globl main

main:
    li      $t0, 9
    li      $t1, 6
    li      $t2, 7
    sub     $t3, $t0, $t1
    add     $t4, $t3, $t2
    la      $a0, msg                # prints message
    li      $v0, 4
    syscall
    move    $a0, $t4                # move to a0 for printout
    li      $v0, 1
    syscall
    li      $v0, 10                 # exit
    syscall

.data
msg: .asciiz "The answer is: "
```

# Assemble ... GO

Mars Messages

Run I/O

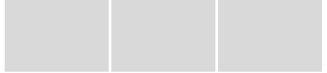
Clear

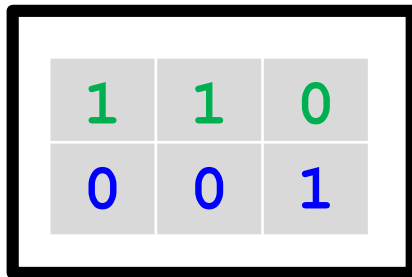
The answer is: 10  
-- program is finished running --

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	268500992
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	10
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	9
\$t1	9	6
\$t2	10	7
\$t3	11	3
\$t4	12	10
\$t5	13	0

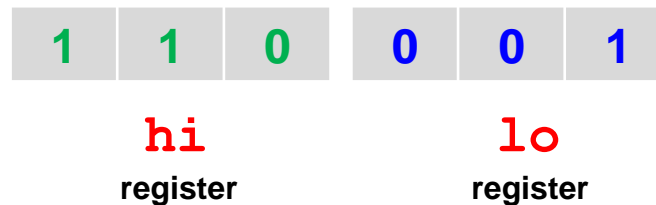
# Multiplication

# Example ...

- Assume that our CPU is 3-bits. (  )
- Multiply:  $[111_2] \times [111_2]$
- The result is:  $[110001_2] \dots$
- The  $[110001_2]$  can only fit in **Two** 3-bit registers



Two 3-bit registers





# MDU

- MIPS has a special **M**ultiplication/**D**ivision **U**nit (**MDU**)
- The **MDU** multiplies two 32-bit numbers and stores the result in 64-bits, which in hardware requirements is **two 32-bit registers**)
- The **two 32-bit registers** are named:
  - **mfhi (hi)**
  - **mflo (lo)**.

**Multiplication/Division**

# MIPS: Multiply and Divide

```
Mult    $t1, $t2    # Multiply ($t1*$t2) to produce a 64-bit number (hi, lo)
Mfhi    $t3          # move result to special 32-bit register hi ($t3)
Mflo    $t4          # move result to special 32-bit register lo ($t4)
```

```
Div      $t1, $t2    # Div ($t1/$t2)
                        # to produce a 32-bit lo [$t1 / $t2 integer quotient]
                        # to produce a 32-bit hi [$t1 % $t2 remainder]
Mfhi     $t3          # move result to special 32-bit register hi ($t3)
Mflo     $t4          # move result to special 32-bit register lo ($t4)
```

**mfhi** ("move **f**rom **hi**")

**mflo** ("move **f**rom **lo**")

**lo** and **hi** are registers in MIPS

# lo and hi registers

Registers		Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value	
\$zero	0	0	
\$at	1	0	
\$v0	2	0	
\$v1	3	0	
\$a0	4	0	
\$a1	5	0	
\$a2	6	0	
\$a3	7	0	
\$t0	8	0	
\$t1	9	0	
\$t2	10	0	
\$t3	11	0	
\$t4	12	0	
\$t5	13	0	
\$t6	14	0	
\$t7	15	0	
\$s0	16	0	
\$s1	17	0	
\$s2	18	0	
\$s3	19	0	
\$s4	20	0	
\$s5	21	0	
\$s6	22	0	
\$s7	23	0	
\$t8	24	0	
\$t9	25	0	
\$k0	26	0	
\$k1	27	0	
\$gp	28	268468224	
\$sp	29	2147479548	
\$fp	30	0	
\$ra	31	0	
hi		0	
lo		0	

## Multiplication

```
mult $t1, $t2
```

## Example-3

# Multiplication-A

```
# Multiplication ... exampleFirst.asm
```

```
.text
```

```
.globl main
```

```
main:
```

```
li      $t1, 50
```

```
li      $t2, 2
```

```
mult    $t1, $t2
```

```
li      $v0, 10# exit
```

```
syscall
```

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	0
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	0
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	0
\$t1	9	50
\$t2	10	2
\$t3	11	0
\$t4	12	0
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	0
\$s2	18	0
\$s3	19	0
\$s4	20	0
\$s5	21	0
\$s6	22	0
\$s7	23	0
\$t8	24	0
\$t9	25	0
\$k0	26	0
\$k1	27	0
\$gp	28	268468224
\$sp	29	2147479548
\$fp	30	0
\$ra	31	0
pc		4194324
hi		0
lo		100

## Multiplication

```
mult $t1, $t2
```

## Example-4

# Multiplication-B

```
        .text
        .globl main
main:
    li    $t1, 50
    li    $t2, 2
    mult  $t1, $t2
    mflo  $t3
    mfhi  $t4

    li    $v0, 10
    syscall
```

Registers		
Coproc 1		
Coproc 0		
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	0
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	0
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	0
\$t1	9	50
\$t2	10	2
\$t3	11	100
\$t4	12	0
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	0
\$s2	18	0
\$s3	19	0
\$s4	20	0
\$s5	21	0
\$s6	22	0
\$s7	23	0
\$t8	24	0
\$t9	25	0
\$k0	26	0
\$k1	27	0
\$gp	28	268468224
\$sp	29	2147479548
\$fp	30	0
\$ra	31	0
pc		4194332
hi		0
lo		100



## Multiplication

```
mult $t1, $t2
```

## Example-5

## Trace the code

```
.text  
.globl main
```

main:

```
li      $t1, 50  
li      $t2, 2  
mult    $t1, $t2  
mflo    $t3  
la      $a0, msg      # prints message  
li      $v0, 4  
syscall  
  
move    $a0, $t3      # move to a0 for printout.  
li      $v0, 1  
syscall  
li      $v0, 10      # exit  
syscall
```

```
.data
```

```
msg:    .asciiz "The answer is: "
```

# Assemble ... GO

```
The answer is: 100
-- program is finished running --
```

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	268500992
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	100
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	0
\$t1	9	50
\$t2	10	2
\$t3	11	100

## Multiply in MIPS; hi-lo registers

- $2_{10} = 0010_2$
- $50_{10} = 110010_2$
- $2 \cdot 50 = 100_{10} = 1100100_2$

The diagram illustrates two 32-bit registers, 'hi' and 'lo', each represented by a horizontal row of 32 bits. The 'hi' register is labeled with a blue 'hi' below it and contains 31 blue zeros followed by a blue 1. The 'lo' register is labeled with a green 'lo' below it and contains 31 green zeros followed by the green binary value 01100100. Brackets are placed under each row of bits to indicate the full 32-bit width of the registers.

```
mfhi ("move from hi")
mflo ("move from lo")
```

## **mul** ... (pseudoinstruction)

```
mul    $t3, $t1, $t2
```

```
# Multiply $t1 by $t2 and store the result to $t3
```

It is equivalent with:

```
mult   $t1, $t2  
mflo   $t3
```

Only when the result is 32-bits = 1 (32-bit) Register

## Division

`Div $t1, $t2`

## Example-6

# Divide

```
.text
.globl main
main:
    li      $t0, 24
    li      $t1, 8
    div     $t0, $t1

    li      $v0, 10
    syscall
```

Registers			Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value		
\$zero	0	0		
\$at	1	0		
\$v0	2	10		
\$v1	3	0		
\$a0	4	0		
\$a1	5	0		
\$a2	6	0		
\$a3	7	0		
\$t0	8	24		
\$t1	9	8		
\$t2	10	0		
\$t3	11	0		
\$t4	12	0		
\$t5	13	0		
\$t6	14	0		
\$t7	15	0		
\$s0	16	0		
\$s1	17	0		
\$s2	18	0		
\$s3	19	0		
\$s4	20	0		
\$s5	21	0		
\$s6	22	0		
\$s7	23	0		
\$t8	24	0		
\$t9	25	0		
\$k0	26	0		
\$k1	27	0		
\$gp	28	268468224		
\$sp	29	2147479548		
\$fp	30	0		
\$ra	31	0		
hi		0		
lo		3		

## Divide in MIPS; hi-lo registers

- $24_{10} = 11000_2$
- $8_{10} = 1001_2$
- $24/8_{10} = 0_{10} + 3_{10} = 0000\ 0011$

The diagram shows a 32-bit register represented as a horizontal row of 32 bits. The first 16 bits are blue and labeled "hi (Remainder)" below them. The last 16 bits are green and labeled "lo (Quotient)" below them. The entire row of bits is labeled "32 bits" at the top right. The bits in the "lo" field are "00000000000000000011".

```
mfhi ("move from hi")
mflo ("move from lo")
```



## Division

`Div $t0, $t1`

# Example-7

# Divide

```
.text
.globl main

main:

    li      $t0, 26
    li      $t1, 8
    div     $t0, $t1

    li      $v0, 10
    syscall
```

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	0
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	0
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	26
\$t1	9	8
\$t2	10	0
\$t3	11	0
\$t4	12	0
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	0
\$s2	18	0
\$s3	19	0
\$s4	20	0
\$s5	21	0
\$s6	22	0
\$s7	23	0
\$t8	24	0
\$t9	25	0
\$k0	26	0
\$k1	27	0
\$gp	28	268468224
\$sp	29	2147479548
\$fp	30	0
\$ra	31	0
pc		4194324
hi		2
lo		3

# Divide in MIPS; hi-lo registers

- $26_{10} = 11010_2$
- $8_{10} = 1000_2$
- $26/8_{10} = 2_{10} + 3_{10} = 0010 \quad 0011$   

The diagram shows two binary strings. The first string, representing the remainder, consists of 26 zeros followed by 10, with a bracket underneath labeled "hi (Remainder)". The second string, representing the quotient, consists of 26 zeros followed by 11, with a bracket underneath labeled "lo (Quotient)".

```
mfhi ("move from hi")
mflo ("move from lo")
```

## Division

`Div $t0, $t1`

## Example-8

# Divide Example

(with: **mflo/mfhi**)

```
        .text
        .globl main
main:
    li    $t0, 26
    li    $t1, 8
    div   $t0, $t1
    mflo  $t3
    mfhi  $t4

    li    $v0, 10
    syscall
```

**mflo** = ?

**Mfhi** = ?

**\$t3** = ?

**\$t4** = ?

# Assemble GO

$26/8 = 3$  and  $2/8$

`mflo` = 3

`Mfhi` = 2

`$t3` = 3

`$t4` = 2

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	0
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	0
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	26
\$t1	9	8
\$t2	10	0
\$t3	11	3
\$t4	12	2
\$t5	13	0
\$t6	14	0
\$t7	15	0
\$s0	16	0
\$s1	17	0
\$s2	18	0
\$s3	19	0
\$s4	20	0
\$s5	21	0
\$s6	22	0
\$s7	23	0
\$t8	24	0
\$t9	25	0
\$k0	26	0
\$k1	27	0
\$gp	28	268468224
\$sp	29	2147479548
\$fp	30	0
\$ra	31	0
pc		4194332
hi		2
lo		3

## Division

`Div $t0, $t1`

## Example-9

# Divide

Trace the code

```
.text
.globl main

main:
    li      $t0, 24
    li      $t1, 8
    div     $t0, $t1
    mflo    $t3
    mfhi    $t4
    la      $a0, msg          # prints message
    li      $v0, 4
    syscall

    move    $a0, $t3          # move to a0 for printout
    li      $v0, 1
    syscall

    li      $v0, 10          # exit
    syscall

.data
msg: .asciiz "The answer is: "
```

mflo = ?  
Mfhi = ?  
\$t3 = ?  
\$t4 = ?



# Divide

```
The answer is: 3
-- program is finished running --
```

Registers	Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value
\$zero	0	0
\$at	1	268500992
\$v0	2	10
\$v1	3	0
\$a0	4	3
\$a1	5	0
\$a2	6	0
\$a3	7	0
\$t0	8	24
\$t1	9	8
\$t2	10	0
\$t3	11	3
\$t4	12	0

Polynomial evaluation

Example-10

Using MIPS Assembly evaluate the polynomial:  $2x^3 + 4$ , for  $x = 2$

with:  $x = \$t0$ .

5 min

$$2x^3 + 4, \text{ for } x = 2$$

```
.text
.globl main
main:
    li    $t0, 2
    mul   $t1, $t0, $t0
    mul   $t1, $t1, $t0
    mul   $t1, $t1, 2
    addi  $t2, $t1, 4

    li,   $v0, 10
    syscall
```

```
# $t0*$t0=2*2=4
# $t0*$t0*$t0=2*2*2=8
# $t0*$t0*$t0*2=2*2*2*2=16
# $t0*$t0*$t0*2+4=2*2*2*2+4=20
```

**\$t2 = ?**

$$2*x^3 + 4 = 2*2^3 + 4 = 16 + 4 = 20$$

$$2x^3 + 4, \text{ for } x = 2$$

```

.text
.globl main
main:
    li    $t0, 2
    mul   $t1, $t0, $t0
    mul   $t1, $t1, $t0
    mul   $t1, $t1, 2
    addi  $t2, $t1, 4

    li    $v0, 10
    syscall

```

**\$t2 = 20**

Registers			Coproc 1	Coproc 0
Name	Number	Value		
\$zero	0	0		
\$at	1	2		
\$v0	2	10		
\$v1	3	0		
\$a0	4	0		
\$a1	5	0		
\$a2	6	0		
\$a3	7	0		
\$t0	8	2		
\$t1	9	16		
\$t2	10	20		
\$t3	11	0		
\$t4	12	0		
\$t5	13	0		
\$t6	14	0		
\$t7	15	0		
\$s0	16	0		
\$s1	17	0		
\$s2	18	0		
\$s3	19	0		
\$s4	20	0		
\$s5	21	0		
\$s6	22	0		
\$s7	23	0		
\$t8	24	0		
\$t9	25	0		
\$k0	26	0		
\$k1	27	0		
\$gp	28	268468224		
\$sp	29	2147479548		
\$fp	30	0		
\$ra	31	0		
pc		4194336		
hi		0		
lo		16		

$$2 * x^3 + 4 = 2 * 2^3 + 4 = 16 + 4 = 20$$

# Another way

```
.text
.globl main
main:
    li    $t0, 2
    li    $t1, 4
    mul   $t2, $t0, $t0
    mul   $t3, $t2, $t0
    mul   $t4, $t3, $t0
    add   $t5, $t4, $t1

    li    $v0, 10
    syscall
```

# Another way ... input any number

```
# Rich Barber (F'2018)
.text
.globl main

main:
    li    $v0, 5
    syscall
    move  $t0, $v0
    move  $t1, $t0
    mul   $t0, $t0, $t1
    mul   $t0, $t0, $t1
    mul   $t0, $t0, 2
    addi  $t0, $t0, 4
    move  $a0, $t0
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall
    li    $v0, 10
    syscall
```

# Example-11



The implemented function (formula) is: ?

```
.text
.globl main
main:
    li    $t0, 3
    li    $t1, 2
    li    $t2, 2
    mul    $t3, $t2, $t2
    mul    $t4, $t0, $t3
    mul    $t5, $t1, $t2

    add    $t6, $t4, $t5
    addi   $t7, $t6, 1

    li    $v0, 10
    syscall
```

**\$t7 = ?**

**5 min**

$$3x^2 + 2x + 1, \text{ for } x = 2$$

```
.text
.globl main
main:
    li    $t0, 3
    li    $t1, 2
    li    $t2, 2
    mul    $t3, $t2, $t2
    mul    $t4, $t0, $t3
    mul    $t5, $t1, $t2

    add    $t6, $t4, $t5
    addi   $t7, $t6, 1

    li    $v0, 10
    syscall
```

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

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**\$t7 = 17**