

**Specification:** `lwi rt, (ri,offset)(rs)`

Load the 32-bit word at *address* into register *rt*.

$$\text{address} \leftarrow \text{rs} + \text{ri} + \text{sign-extended}(\text{offset})$$

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**Examples:**

OpCode	rs	rt	ri	offset
29	19	8	9	32

# (R8 = \$t0, R9 = \$t1, R19 = \$s3)

`lwi $t0, ($t1,32)($s3)` #  $\$t0 \leftarrow \text{Memory}[\$s3 + \$t1 + 32]$

OpCode	rs	rt	ri	offset
29	17	18	16	-48

# (R16 = \$s0, R17 = \$s1, R18 = \$s2)

`lwi $s2, ($t0,-48)($s1)` #  $\$s2 \leftarrow \text{Memory}[\$s1 + \$t0 - 48]$

Figure 1: Specification and two examples for the new *load word indirect* `lwi` instruction.

**Question 2 (20 points):** After hearing from many programmers and compiler developers that a register-indirect register addressing mode would reduce the number of instructions executed by MIPS processors, the makers of the MIPS processor designed a new version of the processor with a new set of load instructions that they identified by adding the letter *i* to the name of the instruction to indicate that it is using an indirect addressing mode. For instance, the specification for the *load word indirect* `lwi` and two examples illustrating the binary format for this new instruction are shown in Figure 1. Notice that they decided to use the opcode 29 (expressed in base 10 here) for the `lwi` instruction. Recall that opcodes in the MIPS Instruction Set Architecture are formed by six bits.

- a. (3 points) How many bits are used for the offset field in the `lwi` instruction?

- b. (**3 points**) Using your answer from (a), what is the largest positive value that the offset may have. Provide your answer both expressed as a decimal value and as a 32-bit number expressed in hexadecimal.
- c. (**3 points**) Using your answer from (a), what is the most negative value that the offset may have. Provide your answer both expressed as a decimal value and as a 32-bit number expressed in hexadecimal.
- d. (**5 points**) This new version of the MIPS processor fetched an instruction from memory whose hexadecimal representation is `0x7511 0710`. Based on the specification and examples shown in Figure 1, what is the assembly representation of this instruction? In other words, how would this instruction look like in an assembly program? You must use `$t` and `$s` registers when writing your final answer.

- e. (**3 points**) Assume that before the execution of the instruction `lwi` specified in item (d) of this question, the state of the processor is as shown in Table 1. What is the memory address, expressed in hexadecimal, accessed by that instruction?

Register	Value	Register	Value
\$t0	0xFFFF F000	\$s0	0x0000 00FC
\$t1	0x FF00 FF00	\$s1	0xFFFF FFCC
\$t2	0x FEC0 0000	\$s2	0xFFFF FFFC
\$t3	0x 0AC0 0080	\$s3	0xFFFF FFEE
\$t4	0x 0000 4000	\$s4	0x0000 7FC0
\$t5	0x 0008 7400	\$s5	0x0000 0044
\$t6	0x 0010 0100	\$s6	0x0000 0FF0
\$t7	0x 0000 DC00	\$s7	0x0000 0000

Table 1: Processor State before the execution of the instruction `lwi`

- f. (**3 points**) What is the binary representation, expressed in hexadecimal, for the following assembly instruction:

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lwi    $s0, ($t0,-64)($t1)
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