Architetture dei Sistemi di Elaborazione

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Laboratory 6

Expected delivery of lab_06.zip must include:

- Solutions of the exercises 1, 2 and 3
- this document compiled possibly in pdf format.

Starting from the ASM_template project (available on Portale della Didattica), solve the following exercises:



- 1) Write a program using the ARM assembly that performs the following operations:
 - a. Sum R0 to R1 (R0+R1) and store the result in R2
 - b. Subtract R4 to R3 (R3-R4) and store the result in R5
 - c. Force, using the debug register window, a set of specific values to be used in the program to provoke the following flag to be updated **once at a time** (whenever possible) to 1:
 - carry
 - overflow
 - negative
 - zero
 - d. Report the selected values in the table below.

| | Please, report the hexadecimal representation of the values | | | | | |
|--------------|---|------------|------------|------------|--|--|
| Updated flag | R0 + R1 | | R3 - R4 | | | |
| | R0 | R1 | R3 | R4 | | |
| Carry = 1 | 0x000000CC | 0xFFFFFF35 | 0x000000D5 | 0x000000D4 | | |
| Carry = 0 | 0x00000003 | 0x00000005 | 0x0000000A | 0xFFFFFFEC | | |
| Overflow | 0xA1111111 | 0xB555555 | 0x7FFFFFFF | 0x80000001 | | |
| Negative | 0xFFFFFFD | 0x00000002 | 0x00000002 | 0x00000014 | | |
| Zero | 0x00000000 | 0x00000000 | 0x00000000 | 0x00000000 | | |

Please explain the cases when it is **not** possible to force a **single** FLAG condition:

→ Il flag Overflow (V) non può essere settato senza settare anche altri flag; ADDS:

Se entrambi gli operandi sono positivi e V=1, allora anche N=1.

Se entrambi gli operandi sono negativi e V=1, allora anche C=1.

SUBS:

Se sottraendo +, minuendo -, e V=1, allora anche C=1

Se sottraendo -, minuendo +, e V=1, allora anche N=1

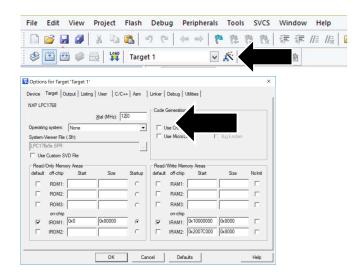
→ Il flag Zero non è impostabile singolarmente. In complemento a due il negativo di un numero si ottiene invertendo tutti i bit e sommando 1. Ciò significa che appena si ha una somma tra 1, il carry si propagherà fino alla fine della somma. L'unico caso possibile è quello in tabella (entrambi operandi a 0).

- 2) Write two versions of a program that performs the following operations:
 - a. Initialize registers R2 and R3 to random signed values
 - b. Compare the two registers:
 - If they differ, store in the register R4 the minimum among R2 and R3
 - Otherwise, perform an arithmetic right shift of R3, sum R2 and store the result in R5

First, solve it resorting to 1) a traditional assembly programming approach using conditional branches and then compare the execution time with a 2) conditional instructions execution approach.

Report the execution time in the two cases in the table that follows: <u>NOTE</u>, report the number of clock cycles (cc) considering a cpu clock (clk) frequency of 12 MHz, as well as the simulation time in milliseconds (ms).

Notice that the processor clock frequency is setup in the menu "Options for Target: 'Target 1".



| | R0==R1 [cc] | R0==R1 [ms] | R0!=R1 [cc] | R0!=R1 [ms] |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1) Traditional | 12 cc | 0.001 ms | 12 cc | 0.001 ms |
| 2) Conditional Execution | 12 cc | 0.001 ms | 12 cc | 0.001 ms |

3) Write a program that calculates the **Hamming distance** between two values. The Hamming distance is defined as the number of positions at which the corresponding values are different: e.g., the Hamming distance between the values <u>0b1010101</u> and <u>0b1001001</u> is 3. The initial values are stored in R0 and R1, while the resulting Hamming distance must be stored in R2.

Implement the ASM code that performs the following operations:

- a. It determines whether the content of R2 is odd or even.
- b. As a result, the values of R0 and R1 are updated as follows:
 - If R2 is even, the program clears the 11th bit of R0 and sets to 1 the 6th bit of R1 (all other bits must remain unchanged)
 - Else, the program copies in R1 the values of the flags.
- c. Report code size and execution time (with 15MHz clk) in the following table.

| | | Execution time | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|--|
| | Code size [Bytes] | [ms] | | |
| | | If R2 is even | Otherwise | |
| Exercise 3) computation | 564 | 0.00327 ms | 0.00327 ms | |

| ANY USEFUL COMMENT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD ABOUT YOUR SOLUTION: | |
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