

Important Questions

level 2

Q. List & explain the basic 'C' Data Types

A) C compiler datatype mappings

Implementation

C Data Type

char

unsigned 8-bit byte

short

signed 16-bit halfword

int

signed 32-bit word

long

signed 32-bit word

long long

signed 64-bit double word

Q. List & explain the following instructions of ARM with proper syntax & example for each.

A) Branch Instructions

1.	B	branch	pc = label
2.	BL	branch with link	pc = label lr = address of the next instruction after the BL link register

A branch instruction changes the flow of execution or is used to call a routine. This type of instruction allows programs to have subroutines, if-then-else structures, and loops.

Just for your understanding : r14 → lr : where the ARM processor puts the return address whenever it calls a subroutine.

r15 → pc : contains the address of the next instruction to be fetched by the processor.)

Syntax :- B {<cond>} label

BL {<cond>} label

Eg:- a) To change flow of execution

B forward

ADD r1, r2, #4

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SUB r1, r2, #4



Eg:- b) To call a subroutine

```
BL    subroutine      ; branch to subroutine  
CMP   r2, #5  
MOVEQ  r1, #0  
:  
Subroutine  
<subroutine code>  
MOV   pc, lr      ; return by moving pc=lr
```

ii) LOAD-STORE instructions.

Load-store instructions transfer data between memory & processor registers.

Syntax:- $\langle LDR | STR \rangle \{ \langle cond \rangle \} \{ B \} Rd, \text{addressing}^1$
 $LDR \{ \langle cond \rangle \} SB | H | SH Rd, \text{addressing}^2$
 $STR \{ \langle cond \rangle \} H Rd, \text{addressing}^2$

Load store instructions

1. LDR : Load word (32-bit)
2. LDRH : Load half-word (16-bit)
3. LDRB : Load a byte (8-bit)
4. STR : Store 32-bit
5. STRH : store 16-bit
6. STRB : store 8-bit
7. LDRSB : load signed byte (8-bits) into a Register.
8. LDRSH : load signed halfword into a Register.

Eg:-
; load register r0 with the contents of the memory address
; pointed to by register r1.
LDR r0, [r1]

; store the contents of register r0 to the memory address
; pointed to by register r1.
STR r0, [r1]



III) SWAP INSTRUCTION

- The Swap instruction swaps the contents of memory with the contents of a register.

Syntax:- $\text{SWP} \{B\} \{<\text{cond}\>\} \text{ Rd}, \text{Rm}, [\text{Rn}]$

SWP	swap a word between memory and a register	$\text{tmp} = \text{mem32[Rn]}$ $\text{mem32[Rn]} = \text{Rm}$ $\text{Rd} = \text{tmp}$
SWPB	swap a byte between memory and a register	$\text{tmp} = \text{mem8[Rn]}$ $\text{mem8[Rn]} = \text{Rm}$ $\text{Rd} = \text{tmp}$

eg:- PRE :

$$\text{mem32[0x9000]} = 0x12345678$$

$$r_0 = 0x00000000$$

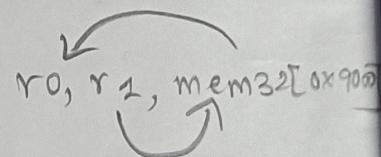
$$r_1 = 0x11112222$$

POST :

$$\text{mem32[0x9000]} = 0x11112222$$

$$r_0 = 0x12345678$$

$$r_1 = 0x11112222$$



IV) PROGRAM STATUS REGISTER INSTRUCTIONS

The ARM instruction set provides two instructions to directly control a program status register (psr):

a) MRS - MOV into Register from Status

It transfers contents of either CPSR or SPSR into a register.

b) MSR - MOV into Status from Register

It transfers contents of register to CPSR or SPSR

Syntax :-

$\text{MRS} \{<\text{cond}\>\} \text{ Rd}, <\text{cpsr|spsr}>$

$\text{MSR} \{<\text{cond}\>\} <\text{cpsr|spsr}>, <\text{fields}>, \text{Rm}$

$\text{MSR} \{<\text{cond}\>\} <\text{cpsr|spsr}>, <\text{fields}>, \#immediate$



Eg:

PRE CPSR = nzcvq, IFt-SVC

MRS r1, CPSR ; copies CPSR into register r1

BTC r1, r1, #0X80 ; 0b 01000000 ; The BIC instruction
cleans bit 7 of r1

MSR CPSR=0, r1

PST CPSR = nzcvq, IFt-SVC

Q. Develop & illustrate the working of SWAP instruction.

Ans: Pgm1

AREA swapMC, CODE, READONLY

ENTRY

LDR R2, =BLOCK1

LDR R3, =BLOCK2

LDR R4, [R2]

STR R4, [R3]

MOV R0, #0X00000000

MOV R1, #0X10000002 ; Immediate value I've taken

SWP R0, R1, [R3]

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B L:(12) ; Declaring the data

BLOCK1 DCD 0X12345678 ; Declaring the data

AREA myDATA, DATA, READWRITE

BLOCK2 DCD 0 ; Declaring the data

END



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(pgm 2) (Swap Byte)

AREA swapMC, CODE, READONLY

ENTRY

LDR R2, =BLOCK1
LDR R3, =BLOCK2
LDRB R4, [R2] ; loading 8-bit data. 1byte=8bit
STRB R4, [R3] ; storing 8-bit data

MOV R0, #00
MOV R1, #0x05 ; Immediate value I've taken
SWPB R0, R1, [R3]

L B L
BLOCK1 DCB 0x12 → It is 8-bit data. But it is hexadecimal
BLOCK2 DCB 0

AREA myDATA, DATA, READWRITE

END

Q.8. Develop an ALP to illustrate the working of load store

instructions:

Ans:-

AREA LDRPgm, CODE, READONLY

ENTRY

MOV R4, #4
LDR R0, =FBLOCK
LDR R1, =SBLOCK
LDR R3, [R0], #4 ; we are loading complete 32-bit data into the register from memory.

STR R3, [R1], #4 ; we are storing register value into memory.

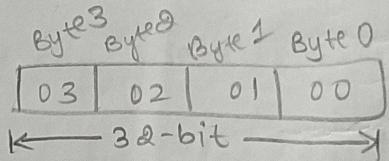
SUBS R4, #1 ; subtract 1 from R4, updating flag

BNE LOOP ; Branch to loop if result is not zero. (ie. if Z flag ≠ 1 then branch to loop.)

FBLOCK DCD 0x12345678, 0x9ABCDEF0,
0x00004000, 0x0000C000

L B L
RBLOCK DCD

AREA myDATA, DATA, READWRITE



we index it by 4 as we are reading complete 32-bit data

If result=0, then
Z flag = 1.



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level 4:- Analyze

② Analyze the given piece of codes ('C' code & compiler output) and answer the following:

→ what is the drawback of using char datatype for declaring the local variables in ARM C program?

Ans: If we make use of char datatype to declare the local variables then we must make use of additional instruction AND to fetch 8-bit data.

That's $\text{AND } r1, r1, \#0xFF$

• In the compiler output how can we avoid the instruction $\text{AND } R1, R1, \#0xFF$?

Ans: If you declare the local variable by int then you can remove the additional instruction AND.

• What is the use of BCC instruction?

Ans: BCC (Branch if carry is cleared) i.e. If carry is cleared then we'll loop it.

• Why PC is updated with R14 content? can we replace R14 by any other register?

Ans:— r14 (i.e. lr) : where the ARM processor puts the return address whenever it calls a subroutine.

r15 (Pc) : contains the address of the next instruction to be fetched by the processor.

∴ MOV pc, r14 is copying the return address from the r14 back to the PC.

You can write it as Mov pc, lr also.



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- which data type is used to declare the local variable?

Ans:- ~~int~~ int is the datatype used to declare the

local variable.

- What is the modification that is required in the compiler output if the variable sum is 16-BIT

Ans:- If I want to extract 16-bit data, I can use short datatype to declare the local variable sum in C program. And accordingly, in the Assembly code

(ie the compiler output) three additional instructions must be added.

1. ADD instruction: as I cannot perform barrel shifting operations on LDRT

2. MOV instruction: to remove/vanish upper 16-bit data from 32-bit data, I do LSL #16

3. MOV instruction: when I do LSR, my signed bit will be lost. So, I make use of ASR so that I'll retain the signed bit.

Ans:- (You can write as)

The cast reducing total + array[i] to a short (16-bit data) requires two MOV instructions.

The compiler shifts left by 16 & then Right by 16 to implement a 16-bit sign extend.



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- ④ Analyze the given piece of code ('c' & ARM compiler output) & answer the following.
- How can we reduce these instructions in the compiler output?

• ADD r3, r0, r1, LSL #1

• MOV r0, r0, LSL #16
MOV r0, r0, ASR #16

Ans : - a) We can reduce the first problem by accessing the array by incrementing the pointer data rather than using an index as in `data[i]`. This is efficient regardless of array type size or element size. All ARM load & store instructions have a post increment addressing mode.

b) You can reduce the other two MOV instructions by using an int type variable to hold the partial sum. We only reduce the sum to a short type at the function exit.

• Rewrite the 'C' code to reduce these instructions

The checksum_v4 code fixes all the problems faced in checksum_v3. It removes three instructions from the inside loop, saving three cycles per loop compared to checksum_v3.

checksum_v4

MOV r2, #0 ; sum = 0

MOV r1, #0 ; i = 0

checksum_v4_loop

LDRSH r3, [r0], #2 ; r3 = * (data++)

ADD r1, r1, #1 ; i++

CMP r1, #0x40 ; compare i, 64

ADD r0, r3, r2 ; sum += r3

BCC checksum_v4_loop ; if (sum < 64) goto loop

MOV r0, r2, LSL #16

MOV r0, r0, ASR #16 ; r0 = (short) sum

PC, r14

; return r0



UNIT 3:

Level 2:

1. List & explain the various registers of ARM & used for configuring ports as GPIO, INPUT/OUTPUT and SET/CLEAR.

Ans - Here are some key registers used for configuring ports in ARM7:

(a) PINSEL (Pin Function Select Register):

This register selects the function of each pin on the microcontroller. Bits in this register determine whether a pin will function as a GPIO, as an alternate function, or other functionalities.

PINSEL 0] used to configure port 0.

PINSEL 1]

PINSEL 2 → used to configure port 1 ($P_1.0 - P_1.15$)

* PINSEL 0 used to access pins from $P_0.0$ to $P_0.15$

* PINSEL 1 " " " " " $P_0.16$ to $P_0.31$

* PINSEL 2 " " " " " $P_1.0$ to $P_1.15$ (only 16 pins are available to the programmer.)

* The combination 00 is always for GPIO functionality.

(b) PORTDIR (GPIO Port Direction control register):

This is a 32-bit wide register. It individually controls the direction of each port pin. Setting a bit to '1' configures the corresponding pin as an output pin. Setting a bit to '0' configures the corresponding pin as an input pin.

1 → Output

0 → Input

(c) PORTSET (GPIO Port Output Set register):

→ 32-bit wide register.

→ Used to make pins of PORT (PORT0 / PORT1) HRGH.

→ Writing one to specific bit makes that pin HRGH.

Writing zero has no effect.

d) $\$0xCLR$ (GPIO Port Output Clear register):

This is
→ a 32-bit wide register.

- used to make pins of port low.
- writing one to specific bit makes that pin low.
- writing zeros has no effect.

To configure port 0

Q. What value has to be loaded into the Registers?

- To configure Port 0 (P0.0 - P0.15) pins as input?

Ans :- 'zero' for input.

PINSEL0 = 0x00000000; //configure P0.0 - P0.15 as GPIO

IODDIR = 0x00000000; //configure P0.0 - P0.15 as INPUT

Q. To configure Port 0 (P0.16 - P0.31) pins as input?

- To configure Port 0 (P0.16 - P0.31) pins as input?

Ans :- 'zero' for input.

PINSEL1 = 0x00000000; //configure P0.16 - P0.31 as GPIO

IODDIR = 0x0000 0000; //configure P0.16 - P0.31 as INPUT

To configure Port 0 (P0.0 - P0.15) pins as OUTPUT?

Ans :- 'one' for output.

PINSEL0 = 0x00000000; //configure P0.0 - P0.15 as GPIO

IODDIR = 0xFFFF FFFF; //configure P0.0 - P0.15 as OUTPUT.

To configure PORT0 (P0.16 - P0.31) pins as OUTPUT?

Ans :- 'one' for output.

PINSEL1 = 0x00000000; //configure P0.16 - P0.31 as GPIO

IODDIR = 0xFFFF FFFF; //configure P0.16 - P0.31 as OUTPUT

- To configure PORT1 ($P_{1.16} - P_{1.31}$) pins as INPUT?

Ans— 'zero' for input.

$\text{PINSEL\&} = 0x00000000;$ // configure $P_{1.16} - P_{1.31}$ as GPIO

$\text{I01DIR} = 0x00000000;$ // configure $P_{1.16} - P_{1.31}$ as INPUT

- To configure PORT1 ($P_{1.16} - P_{1.31}$) pins as OUTPUT?

Ans—

$\text{PINSEL\&} = 0x00000000;$ // configure $P_{1.16} - P_{1.31}$ as GPO

$\text{I01DIR} = 0xFFFFFFF;$ // configure $P_{1.16} - P_{1.31}$ as OUTPUT

Level 3:-

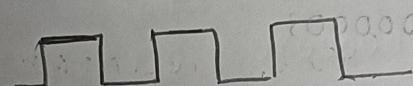
1. Develop an embedded 'c' program to blink the LED's

connected to Port 0 pins (P0.16 - P0.23).

Ans:- #include <LPC21xx.h>

```
unsigned int delay;
int main()
{
    PINSEL1 = 0x00000000; //configure P0.16 to P0.23 as GPIO
    IODIR = 0xFFFFFFFF; //configure P0.16 to P0.23 as OUTPUT
    while(1)
    {
        IODSET = 0x00FF0000; //SET PINS 16-23 of PORT 0
        for (delay=0; delay<10000; delay++);
        IODCLR = 0x00FF0000; //CLEAR PINS 16-23 of PORT 0
        for (delay=0; delay<10000; delay++);
    }
}
```

Output:-



2. Develop an embedded 'c' program to implement 8-bit binary counter on port 0 pins (P0.16 - P0.31).

Ans:- #include <LPC21xx.h> → P0.16 - P0.31 → program it is
void delay(void);
unsigned int count;
int main()
{

```
    unsigned int comp = 0; //complement
    PINSEL1 = 0x00000000; //configure PORT0 (16-31) as GPIO
    IODIR = 0xFFFFFFFF;
    while(1)
    {
        for (count = 0; count<=0xFF; count++)
        {
            comp = (~count); //out to ensure that after 255, 0 should
            come.
            comp = comp & 0x000000FF; //to fetch lower 8-bit
            data
            IOPIN = (comp << 16); //I'm sending it on I/O pin
            delay();
        }
    }
}
```

we can see the status of count from this pin. IOPIN
bez
I'm using port 0.



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```
void delay(void)
```

```
{
```

```
    unsigned int i;
```

```
    for(i=0; i<6500000; i++);
```

```
}
```

Q. Develop an embedded 'c' program to interface DAC with
ARM to generate the following waveform.

Ans ^{a) square wave.}

```
#include <LPC21xx.h>
```

```
void delay(void);
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
PINSEL0 = 0x00000000; // PO.10 - PO.15 as GPIO
```

```
PINSEL1 = 0x00000000; // PO.16 - PO.31 as GPIO
```

```
IODDIR = 0xFFFFFFF; // PO.0 - PO.31 configured as  
OUTPUT.
```

```
while(1)
```

```
{
```

```
IOPIN = 0x00000003
```

```
delay();
```

```
IOPIN = 0xFFFFFFF;
```

```
delay();
```

```
y
```

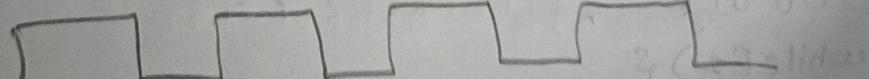
```
void delay()
```

```
{
```

```
    unsigned int i;
```

```
    for(i=0; i<500; i++);
```

Output



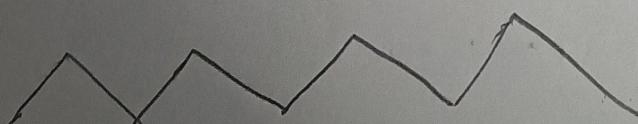
b) TRIANGULAR WAVE

```
#include <LPCQ1xx.h>
int main()
{
    unsigned long int temp = 0x00000000;
    unsigned int i=0;
    // By default all pins are configured as GPIO
    IODDIR = 0xFFFFFFFF; // P0.0-P0.31 as OUTPUT.
    while(1)
    {
        for(i=0; i!=0xff; i++)
        {
            temp = i; // I'm getting 16-bit data on a 32-bit register,
            // with upper 16-bit data padded with zeroes.
            // content of temp must be shifted left by 16 times to bring
            // the lower order data to higher order data. (as I don't want
            // the padded zero's)
            temp = temp << 16;
            IOPIN = temp;
        }
    }
}
```

```
for(i=0xff; i!=0; i--)
```

```
{  
    temp = i;  
    temp = temp << 16;  
    IOPIN = temp;
```

Output:



Q.4. Develop an embedded 'C' program to interface the Relay with ARM7.

Ans—

```
#include <LPGQ1xx.h>
unsigned int i;
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

// I'm not writing PINSSEL0 and PINSSEL1 because
By default PORT0 and PORT2 pins are configured
as GPIO.

// the relay pin is connected to pin no.10 of port0.

```
IODDR = 0x00000400; // Set P0.10 as output.
```

```
IODSET = 0x00000400; // P0.10 is set to high
```

```
while(1)
```

```
{
```

```
for (i=0; i<1000000; i++) ;
```

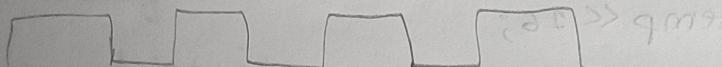
```
IODSET = 0x00000400; // Relay ON
```

```
for (i=0; i<1000000; i++) ;
```

```
IODCLR = 0x00000400; // Relay OFF // means the  
relay will be
```

turned off as we
cleared it.

output



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5Q. Develop an embedded 'c' program to blink the built in LED connected to pin number 5 of Arduino UNO.

Ans:-

Program :-

```
void setup() {  
    pinMode(LED_BUILTIN, OUTPUT);  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
  
void loop() {  
    digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, HIGH); // turn the LED on  
    Serial.println("LED on");  
    delay(1000);  
    digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, LOW); // turn the LED off  
    Serial.println("LED off");  
    delay(1000);  
}
```

6Q. Develop an embedded 'c' program to interface LDR sensor connected to pin number 13 of Arduino UNO .

Ans:-

```
int light_pin = 13;  
  
void setup() {  
    pinMode(light_pin, INPUT);  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
  
void loop() {  
    int light_data = digitalRead(light_pin);  
    if (light_data)  
        Serial.println("Light Not Detected!");  
    else  
        Serial.println("Light Detected");  
    delay(1000);  
}
```



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Q. Develop an embedded 'c' program to interface buzzer connected to pin number 9 of arduino UNO

```
// RM18 - RM9 connected
int buzzer-pin = 9; #Arduino Pin
void setup() {
    pinMode(buzzer-pin, OUTPUT);
    Serial.begin(9600);
    digitalWrite(buzzer-pin, HIGH);
}

void loop() {
    digitalWrite(buzzer-pin, LOW);
    delay(1000);
    digitalWrite(buzzer-pin, HIGH);
    delay(1000);
}
```

TWG (on Sorting)

Question:-

Program:-

```

AREA MCTWG, CODE, READONLY
    ENTRY
        MOV R8, #4 ; Counter register for array
        LDR R1, =CVALUE ; R1 points to the array present in CODE region
        LDR R2, =DVALUE ; R2 points to the array present in DATA region
LOOP0   LDR R3, [R1], #4 ; Fetch a number from first array
        STR R3, [R2], #4 ; paste it in 2nd array
        SUBS R8, R8, #1 ; Decrement counter register
        CMP R8, #0 ; Compare R8 with zero
        BNE LOOPD ; Once R8 becomes zero it goes out of LOOP0:
                    ; If R8!=0, you continue data transfer
                    ; Once R8=0, come out of loop.

START   MOV RF, #0 ; swap flag is cleared. if there are
        ; If there are n-elements, then number
        ; of comparisons = n-1. Let me take one
        ; register (say RS) to hold the no. of
        ; comparisons.

        MOV RS, #3 ; Comparison COUNT.

LOOP2   LDR RQ, =DVALUE
        LDR R1, [RQ], #4 ; means LDR R1, content of RQ ; 1st number in R1
        LDR R3, [RQ] ; 2nd number in R3
        CMP R1, R3 ; R1-R3 will happen, then make use of branch instruction
        BLT LOOP1 ; BLT means Branch if Lesser Than. If you
                    ; don't want to exchange (i.e., swap) then
                    ; branch to LOOP1.

```

; else if you want to swap the two numbers then perform
OPPO F19 Pro+ steps. In these 4, the 1st two steps
actually perform swapping.

LOOP1

CVALUE

DVALUE

Regis

Regis

R0

R1

R2

R3

R4

RS

RB

RF

;

;

;

;

;

;

;

;

;

;

;

STR R1, [RQ], #-4
 STR R3, [RQ]
 MOV RF, #1 ; SWAP = 1 ; flag to indicate that swapping has occurred.
 ADD RQ, #4 ; Restore Pointer
 LOOP1 SUBS R5, R5, #1
 CMP R5, #0
 BNE LOOP2
 CMP RF, #0
 BNE START
 B L

CVALUE DCD 0x44444444, 0x11111111, 0x33333333, 0x22222222
 AREA MYDATA, DATA, READONLY
 DVALUE DCD 0
 END

Output

Registers

Register	Value
R0	0x00000000
R1	0x33333333
RQ	0x4000000C
R3	0x44444444
R4	0x00000000
RS	0x00000000
RB	0x00000000
RF	0x00000000
R15 (PC)	0x00000054

Memory 1

Address: 0x00000064
 0x00000064: 44 44 44 44 11 11 11 11 33 33 33 33 22 22 22 22 64 00 00 0000 00 00 40

Address: 0x40000000

0x40000000: 11 11 11 11 22 22 22 22 33 33 33 33 44 44 44 44