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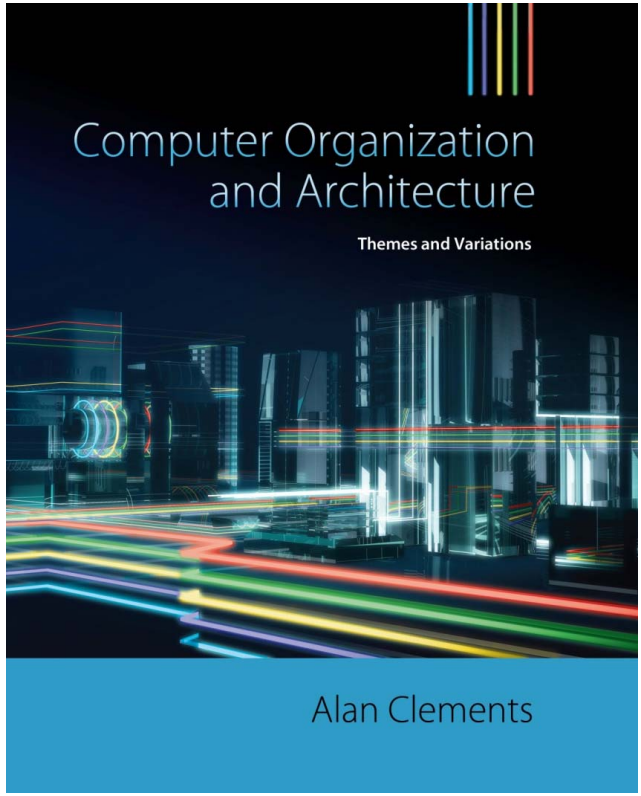
Chapter 3

Architecture and Organization



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Sample ARM Assembly Instructions

LDR r0,address — ***Load*** the contents of the memory-location at address into register r0.

We will talk about the format of address later on.

STR r0,address — ***Store*** the contents of register r0 at the specified **address** in memory.

ADD r0,r1,r2 — ***Add*** the contents of register r1 to the contents of register r2 and store the result in register r0.

SUB r0,r1,r2 — ***Subtract*** the contents of register r2 from the contents of register r1 and store the result in register r0.

BPL target — ***If*** the result of the previous operation was ***plus*** (***+ve*** or ***zero***) ***then*** branch to the instruction at address target.

BEQ target — ***If*** the result of the previous operation was ***zero***, ***then*** branch to the instruction at address target.

We will talk about the format of target later on.

B target — ***Branch unconditionally*** to the instruction stored at the memory address target.

Note the number of operands in each instruction.

Example 1: Conditional Operation

```
        SUBS  r5,r5,#1   ;Subtract 1 from r5
        BEQ   onZero    ;IF zero THEN go to the line labeled 'onZero'
notZero ADD   r1,r2,r3  ;ELSE continue from here
        .
        .
onZero  SUB   r1,r2,r3  ;Here's where we end up if we take the branch
```

Explanation

SUBS r5,r5,#1

- subtracts 1 from the contents of register r5.
- After completing this operation the number remaining in r5 may, or may not, be zero.

BEQ onZero

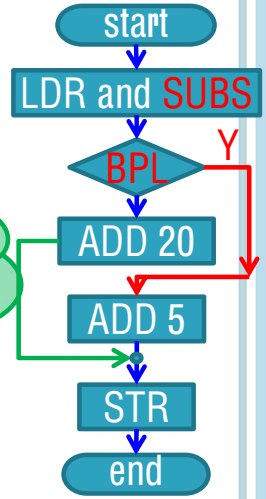
- forces a branching (i.e., goto) to the line labeled '**onZero**' if the outcome of the last operation was zero.
- Otherwise, the next instruction in sequence after the BEQ is executed.

Example 2: Conditional Operation

P ≥ Q is the same as P - Q ≥ 0

IF P ≥ Q THEN X = P + 5
ELSE X = P + 20

This is an unconditional branching that prevents the following instruction from being executed.



define P, Q.

```
        LDR   r0,P      ;Load r0 with the contents in location P
        LDR   r1,Q      ;Load r1 with the contents in location Q
        SUBS  r2,r0,r1  ;Subtract the contents of Q from P
        BPL   THEN      ;IF P – Q ≥ 0 then execute the 'THEN' part
        ADD   r0,r0,#20 ;ELSE Add 20 to the contents of r0 to get P + 20
        B     EXIT      ;Skip past 'THEN' part to 'EXIT'
THEN    ADD   r0,r0,#5  ;Add 5 to r0 to get P + 5
EXIT    STR   r0,X      ;Store r0 in memory-location X
        STOP
```

Here's where the test and conditional branching take place

P is 4 bytes and initialized by 12.

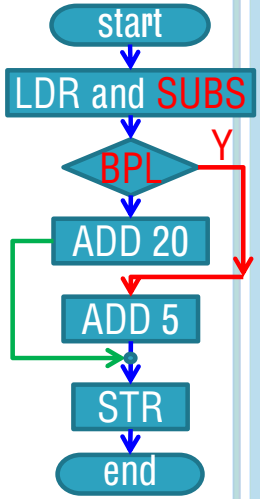
```
P       DCD   12        ;These three lines reserve memory space for
Q       DCD   9         ;the three operands P, Q, X and initialize them.
X       DCD   0         ;The memory-locations are 36, 40, and 44, respectively.
```

Define P, Q and X.

DCD means, Define Constant Data

reserve 4 bytes for each location.

Example 2: Conditional Operation



IF P ≥ Q THEN X = P + 5
ELSE X = P + 20

Same example, but with RTL comments

set flags.

```
        LDR   r0,P      ;[r0]  ← [P]
        LDR   r1,Q      ;[r1]  ← [Q]
        SUBS  r2,r0,r1  ;[r2]  ← [r0] - [r1]
        BPL   THEN      ;IF [r2] ≥ 0 [PC] ← THEN
        ADD   r0,r0,#20 ;[r0]  ← [r0] +20
        B     EXIT      ;[PC]  ← EXIT
THEN    ADD   r0,r0,#5  ;[r0]  ← [r0] + 5
EXIT    STR   r0,X      ;[X]   ← [r0]
        STOP
P       DCD   12        ;[P] = 12
Q       DCD    9        ;[Q] =  9
X       DCD    0        ;[X] =  0
```

check the flag →

assignment

no brackets indicate it is a constent.

(LDR)

copy the value of P, Q into registers

subtract registers and set flags

check flags.

+ 0 −

Branch to Exit.

How are the locations P, Q, and X calculated?

Example 2: Conditional Operation

Case 1: P = 12, Q = 9, and hence the conditional branching is *taken* *(i.e., will branch to THEN)*

0	LDR	**r0**,36
4	LDR	**r1**,40
8	SUBS	**r2**,r0,r1
12	BPL	24
16	ADD	**r0**,r0,#20
20	B	28
24	ADD	**r0**,r0,#5
28	STR	r0,**44**
32	STOP	
36		12 P
40		9 Q
44		X

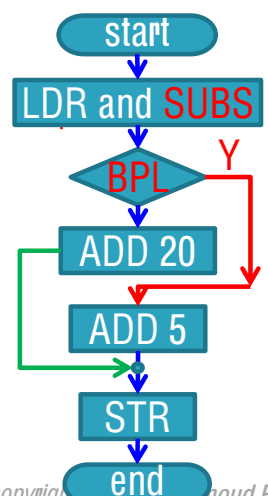
skipped.

Next instruction

	LDR	**r0**,P	;[r0]	← [P]
	LDR	**r1**,Q	;[r1]	← [Q]
	SUBS	**r2**,r0,r1	;[r2]	← [r0] - [r1]
	BPL	THEN	;IF [r2] ≥ 0 [PC]	← THEN
	ADD	**r0**,r0,#20	;[r0]	← [r0] + 20
	B	EXIT	;[PC]	← EXIT
THEN	ADD	**r0**,r0,#5	;[r0]	← [r0] + 5
EXIT	STR	r0,**X**	;[X]	← [r0]
	STOP			
P	DCD	12		
Q	DCD	9		
X	DCD	0		

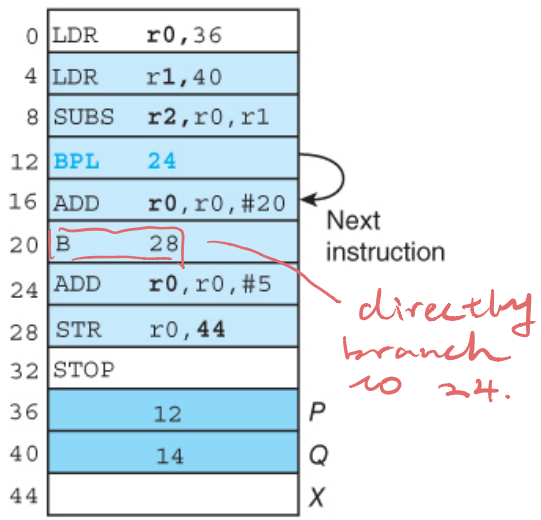
Program counter.

PC_{start} = 0, PC_{end} = 4, r0 = 12
PC_{start} = 4, PC_{end} = 8, r1 = 9
PC_{start} = 8, PC_{end} = 12, r2 = 3
PC_{start} = 12, PC_{end} = 24,
PC_{start} = 24, PC_{end} = 28, r0 = 17
PC_{start} = 28, PC_{end} = 32, X = 17



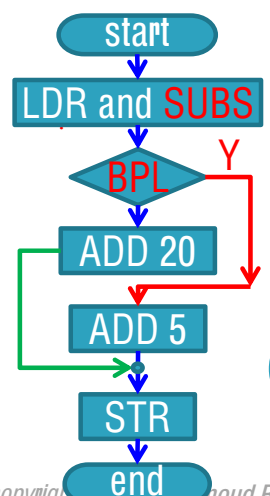
Example 2: Conditional Operation

Case 2: P = 12, Q = 14, and hence the conditional branching is *not taken* *(i.e., will NOT branch to THEN)*




```
        LDR   r0,P      ;[r0] ← [P]
        LDR   r1,Q      ;[r1] ← [Q]
        SUBS  r2,r0,r1  ;[r2] ← [r0] - [r1]
        BPL   THEN      ;IF [r2] ≥ 0 [PC] ← THEN
        ADD   r0,r0,#20 ;[r0] ← [r0] + 20
        B     EXIT      ;[PC] ← EXIT
THEN    ADD   r0,r0,#5  ;[r0] ← [r0] + 5
EXIT    STR   r0,X      ;[X] ← [r0]
        STOP
P       DCD   12
Q       DCD   14
X       DCD   0
```

PC_{start} = 0, PC_{end} = 4, r0 = 12
PC_{start} = 4, PC_{end} = 8, r1 = 14
PC_{start} = 8, PC_{end} = 12, r2 = -2
PC_{start} = 12, PC_{end} = 16,
PC_{start} = 16, PC_{end} = 20, r0 = 32
PC_{start} = 20, PC_{end} = 28,
PC_{start} = 28, PC_{end} = 32, X = 32



Example 3: Conditional Operation

- Consider the code needed to calculate 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + … + 20

LDR: copy the content of the memory to register

The *MOV* instruction copies the value of Operand2 (can be a lateral or a register) into the destination register.

```
        MOV   r0,#1      ;Put 1 in register r0 (the counter)
        MOV   r1,#0      ;Put 0 in register r1 (the sum)
Next    ADD   r1,r1,r0   ;REPEAT: Add current counter to sum
        ADD   r0,r0,#1   ;    Add 1 to the counter (i.e., increment counter)
        CMP   r0,#21     ;    Have we added all 20 numbers?
        BNE   Next       ;UNTIL we have made 20 iterations
        STOP             ;If we have then stop
```

when r0 - 21 = 0

MOV and *CMP* instructions need ONLY two operands.

CMP compares the value in a register with *Operand2*, i.e., subtracting *Operand2 from the register value.*

It *automatically updates* the condition flags on the result, but does *not* place the result in any register. The "*S*" is *not* needed in such instruction.

General-Purpose Registers

- Computers might have
  - *general-purpose registers* no restriction
  - *special-purpose* (dedicated) registers

- Registers usually have the same width as the fundamental word of a computer.
  r - 32 bits

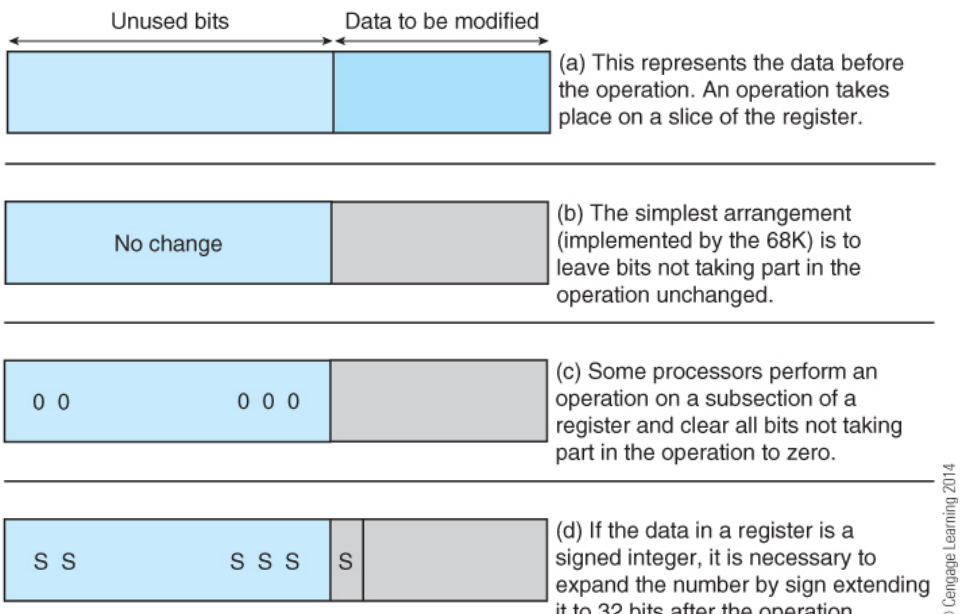
- The ***ARM*** processors have
  - general-purpose registers, and
  - two special purpose registers (have special hardware-defined functions)
    ① program counter => point to the next instruction to be executed

    ② Linked register.

Data Extension

- Sometimes registers hold data values smaller than their actual length
  - for example, a 16-bit (halfword in a 32-bit word register).
- What happens to the other bits? (*processor dependent*)
  - some leave the unused bits unchanged,
  - some set the unused bits to 0, and
  - some sign-extend the 16-bit halfword to 32-bits (*two's complement*)

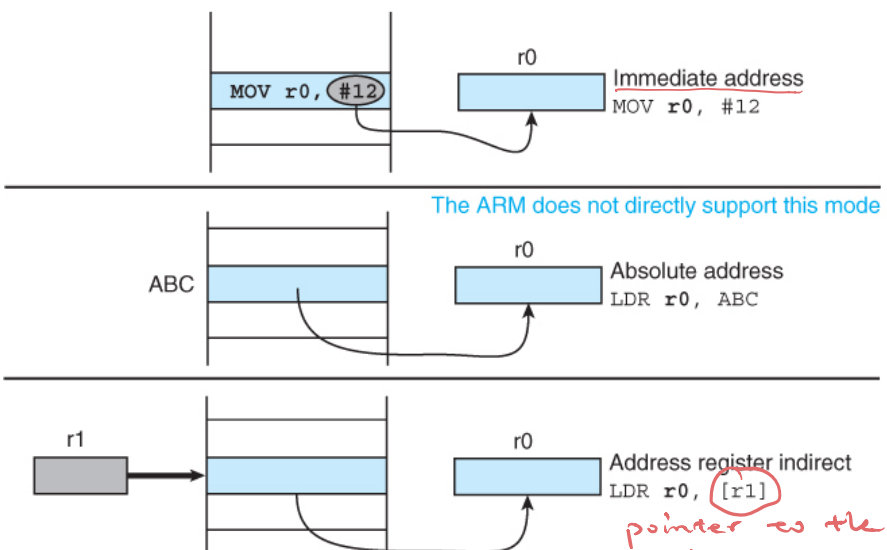
FIGURE 3.9 Operations on a subsection of a register



Addressing Modes

- There are three fundamental addressing modes
  - ***Literal or immediate***
    - the actual value is part of the instruction
  - ***Direct or absolute***
    - the instruction provides the memory address of the operand
    - *The ARM architecture does not directly support this mode*
  - ***Register indirect or pointer based or indexed***
    - a register contains the address of the operand

FIGURE 3.10 Progressive sequence of addressing modes



Instruction Types

- ***Memory-to-register***
  - The source operands are in memory and
  - the destination operand is in a register
- ***Register-to-memory***
  - The source operands are in registers and
  - the destination operand is in memory
- ***Register-to-register***
  - Both operands are in registers.

CISC means COMPLEX Instruction Set Computer

- ***CISC processors*** like the Intel IA32 family and Motorola/Freescale 68K family *allow memory-to-register* and *register-to memory data-processing* operations.

RISC means REDUCED Instruction Set Computer

- ***RISC processors*** like the ARM and MIPS *allow* ***only*** *register-to-register data-processing* operations.
- ***RISC processors*** *have* a *special LOAD* and a *special STORE* instructions (***pseudo instructions***) *to transfer data between memory and a register using* ***Register indirect addressing mode***.

Operands and Instructions

- ***CISC*** processors *typically* have
  - ***Two-address*** instructions where
    - ***one*** address is ***memory*** and the ***other*** is a ***register***.

- ***RISC*** processors *typically* have a
  - ***three-address*** data processing instruction where
    - ***the three*** operand addresses ***are registers***.

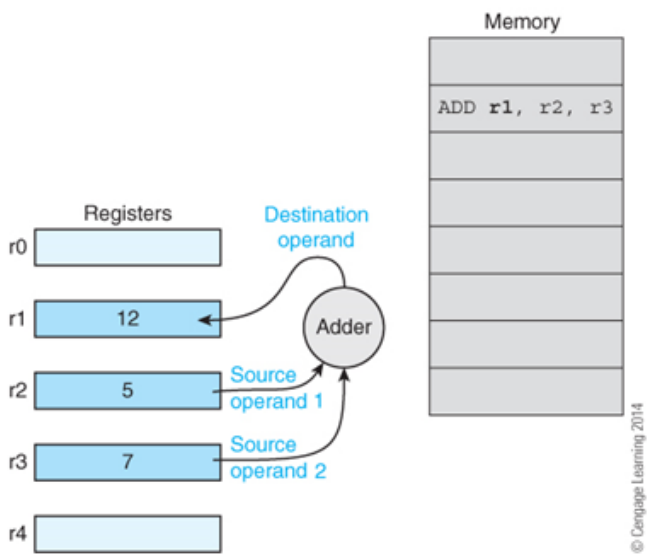
  - They *also have* ***two*** special *two-address* instructions,
    - **LOAD** and **STORE**.

Three Address Machines

- Processors *do not* implement *three memory address* instructions.
- A typical RISC processor allows *three register addresses* in an instruction
  - For example:

ADD **r1**,r2,r3 ;Add r2 to r3 and put the result in **r1**

FIGURE 3.11 The three address instruction



What is ARM architecture?

- The *ARM* architecture is the intellectual property of *ARM Holdings*, based in Cambridge, England.
- The company was *founded in 1990* as *Advanced RISC Machines* (*ARM*) by
  - Acorn Computers,
  - Apple Computers, and
  - VLSI Technology.
- The *1st-generation* of *ARM* was *8-bit* microprocessors.
- The *2nd-generation* of *ARM* was *32-bit* microprocessors.
  - In *ARM* terminology, *16 bits is a half-word*, and *32 bits is a word*.
- *There has been **remarkably little change** in **instruction set architecture** between today's high performance machines and 1st-generation microprocessors.*

- Unlike other microprocessor manufactures, e.g., Intel, AMD, and Freescale, *ARM* does ***NOT** build chips*, but ***licenses to semiconductor companies*** its core processors for use in *systems on chips* and *microcontrollers*.
- *ARM* successfully targeted the world of mobile devices, e.g., netbooks, tablets, and cell phones.

- *ARM* is a machine with register-to-register architecture, as well as load/store instructions that move data between memory and registers.
- *ARM **operand values*** are *32-bit wide*, except for several multiplication instructions that generate a 64-bit product stored in two 32-bit registers.

ARM Register Set

- The *ARM* processor has
  - 16 *32-bit* registers (r0, r1, r2, …, r12, r13, r14, r15)
    - r0, r1, r2, …, r12 are general-purpose registers
    - r15 is the program counter
    - r14 is the link register—holds subroutine return addresses
    - r13 is *reserved* for ***use by the programmer*** as the stack pointer

other resister can be stack pointer as well

Review Slide 3 in Chapter 2.

- Sixteen registers require a 4-bit address
  - saves three bits per instruction (1 bit per operand) over RISC processors with 32-register architectures (5-bit address).

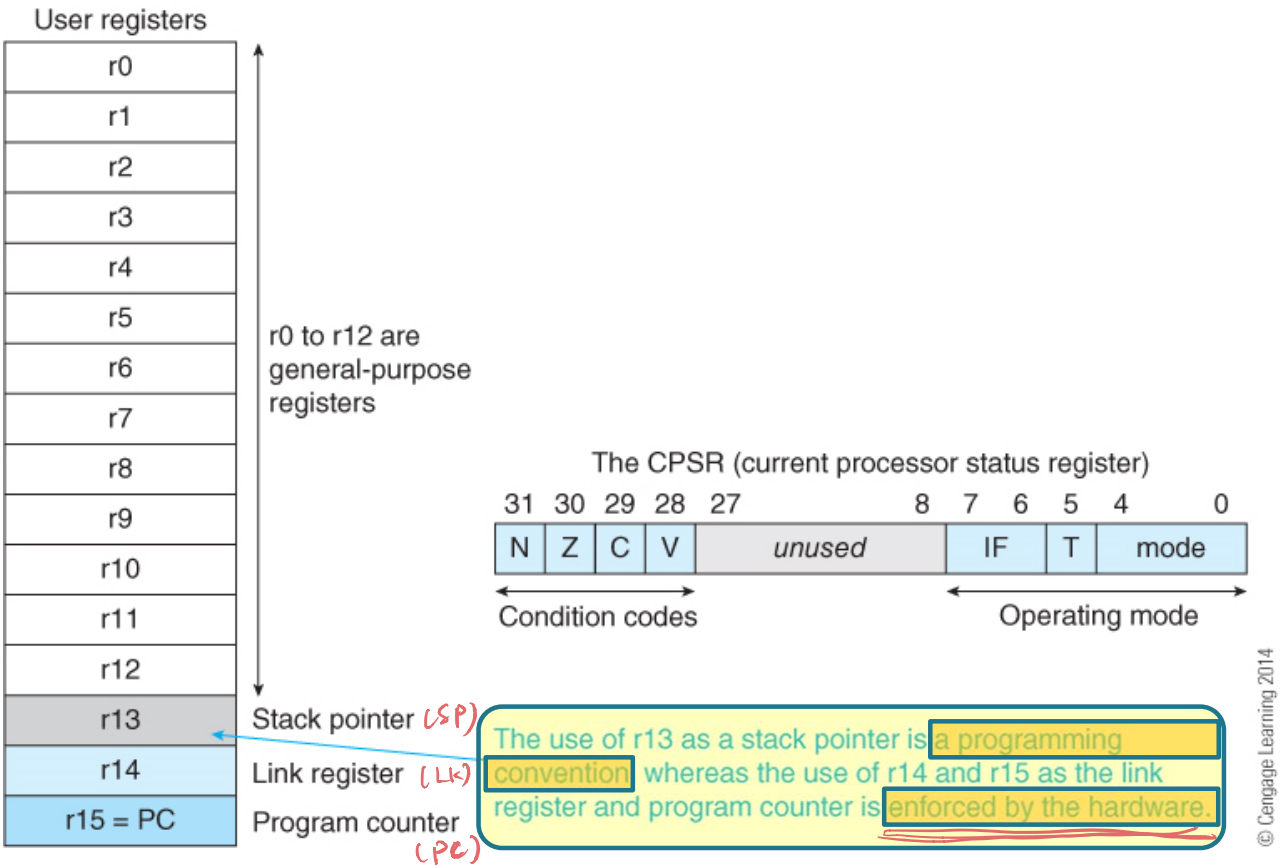
Condition Code Register

- The *ARM*'s *current program status register* (***CPSR***) contains
  - Condition codes (bits number 31, 30, 29, and 28)
    N (negative), Z (zero), C (carry) and V (overflow) flag bits
  - Operating mode (bits number 0–7)
    May talk about them later

- *ARM* processors have a rich instruction set

ARM Register Set

FIGURE 3.12 ARM register set



Typical ARM Instructions

TABLE 3.1 ARM Data Processing, Data Transfer, and Compare Instructions

Instruction	ARM Mnemonic	Definition
Addition	`ADD r0,r1,r2`	[r0] ← [r1] + [r2]
Subtraction	`SUB r0,r1,r2`	[r0] ← [r1] - [r2]
AND	`AND r0,r1,r2`	[r0] ← [r1] · [r2]
OR	`ORR r0,r1,r2`	[r0] ← [r1] + [r2]
Exclusive OR	`EOR r0,r1,r2`	[r0] ← [r1] ⊕ [r2]
Multiply	`MUL r0,r1,r2`	[r0] ← [r1] x [r2]
Register-to-register move	`MOV r0,r1`	[r0] ← [r1]
Compare	`CMP r1,r2`	[r1] - [r2]
Branch on zero to label	`BEQ label`	[PC] ← label (jump to label)

ARM Assembly Language

- ARM instructions are written in the form

  {Label} Op-code **operand1**, operand2, operand3 {;comment}

- Consider the following example of a loop.

```
        MOV   r1,#0        ;initialize the total
        MOV   r2,#10       ;initialize the value to be added
        MOV   r7,#20       ;initialize the number of iterations
Test_5  ADD   r1,r1,r2     ;increment total by the value
        SUBS  r7,#1        ;decrement loop counter
                           ;same as SUBS r7, r7, #1
        BNE   Test_5       ;IF not zero THEN goto Test_5
```

What are the values of r1, r2, and r7 after executing this loop?

- The Label field is a user-defined label (***case-sensitive single word without space***) that can be used by other instructions to refer to the address of that line.

- Any text following a semicolon is regarded as a ***comment*** field which is ignored by the assembler.

ARM Assembly Language

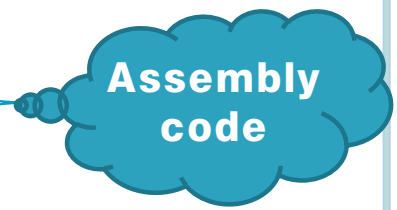
- Suppose we wish to generate the sum of the cubes of numbers from 1 to 10. We can use the *multiply and accumulate* instruction;

```
        MOV   r0,#0          ;clear total in r0
        MOV   r1,#10         ;FOR i = 10 to 1 (count down)
Next    MUL   r2,r1,r1       ;  square the number (i × i)
        MLA   r0,r2,r1,r0    ;  cube the number and add it to total
        SUBS  r1,r1,#1       ;  decrement counter (set condition flags)
        BNE   Next           ;END FOR (branch back on count not zero)
```

- This fragment of assembly language is *syntactically* correct.
  - But it is not yet a program that we can run.
- We must specify the environment to make it a standalone program.
- There are two types of statement:
  - ***executable instructions*** that are executed by the computer and
  - ***assembler directives*** that tell the assembler something about the environment.

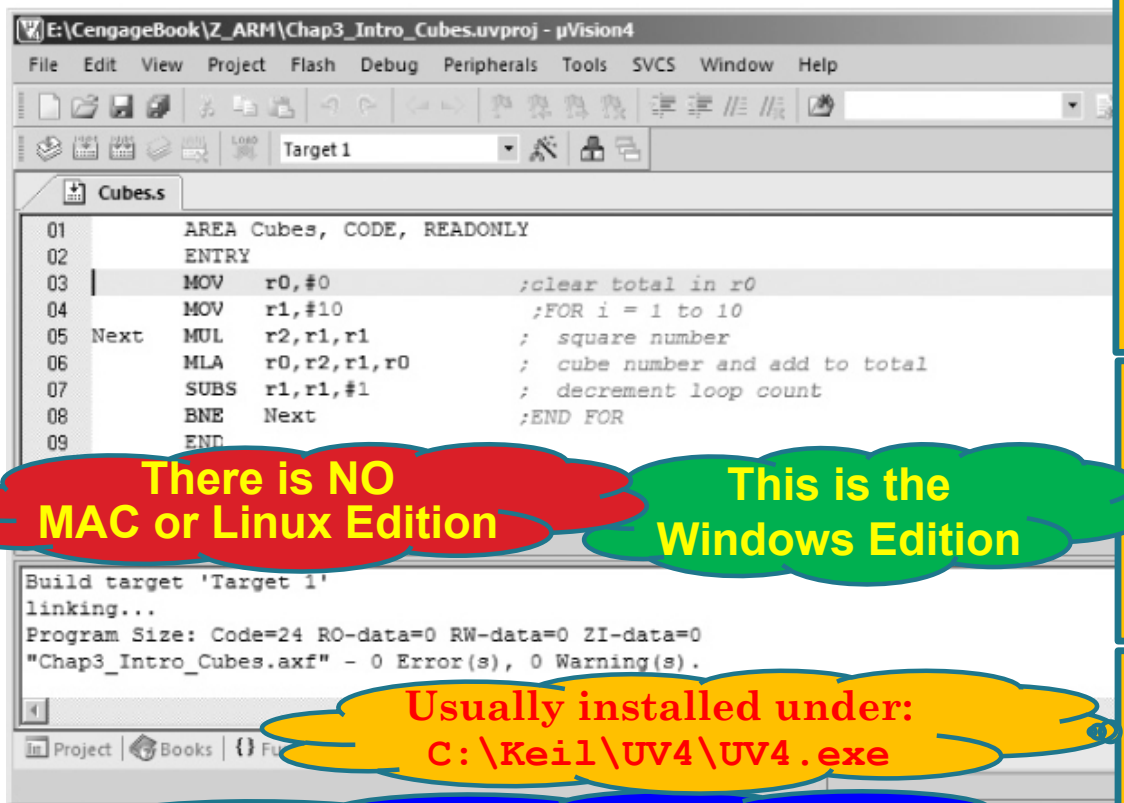
Structure of an ARM Program


```
        AREA Cubes, CODE, READONLY
        ENTRY

        MOV   r0,#0          ;clear total in r0
        MOV   r1,#10         ;FOR i = 10 to 1
Next    MUL   r2,r1,r1       ;  square number
        MLA   r0,r2,r1,r0    ;  cube number and add to total
        SUBS  r1,r1,#1       ;  decrement loop count
        BNE   Next           ;END FOR

        END
```



Snapshot of the Display of an ARM Development System

FIGURE 3.13 Assembling an assembly language program using Kiel's ARM IDE



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- New µVision Project
  - Enter file name
  - Save
  - Select device for Target
    - ARM
      - ARM7 (Big Endian)
      - Ok

File
- New
  - Enter assembly program (i.e., code and assembler directives)

File
- Save
  - Enter file name (to simplify things, use .s as an extension
  - Save

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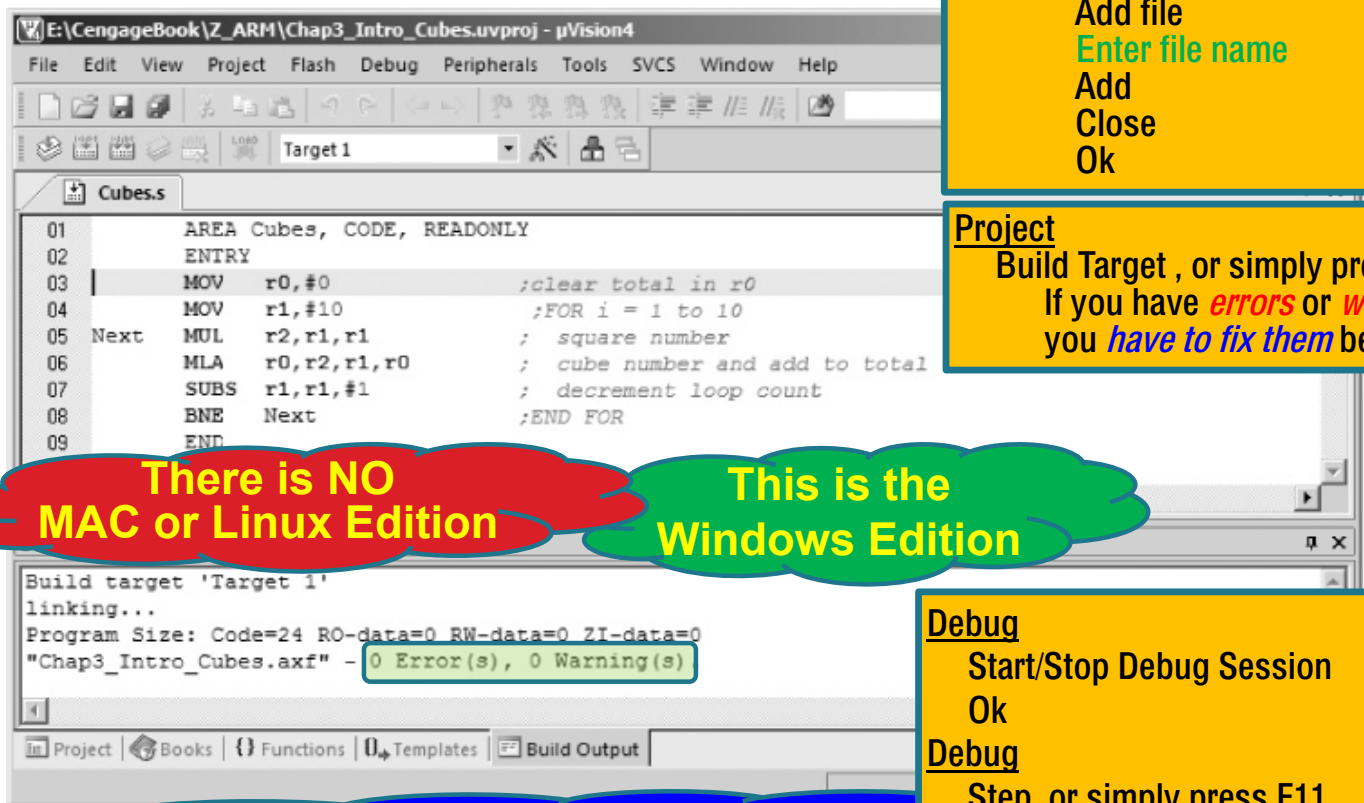
FIGURE 3.13 Assembling an assembly language program



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