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MIPS Cheat Sheet

Instruction	Example	Meaning
load word	lw \$s0, 4(\$s1)	\$s0 = Memory(\$s1+4)
store word	sw \$s0, 4(\$s1)	Memory(\$s1+4) = \$s0
add	add \$s0, \$s1, \$s2	\$s0 = \$s1 + \$s2
subtract	sub \$s0, \$s1, \$s2	\$s0 = \$s1 - \$s2
add immediate	addi \$s0, \$s1, 2	\$s0 = \$s1 + 2
subtract immediate	subi \$s0, \$s1, 2	\$s0 = \$s1 - 2
shift left	sll \$s0, \$s1, 2	\$s0 = \$s1 \ll 2 bits
branch on equal	beq \$s0, \$s1, L	if (\$s0 == \$s1) go to L
branch on not equal	bne \$s0, \$s1, L	if (\$s0 != \$s1) go to L
set on less than	slt \$s0, \$s1, \$s2	if (\$s1 < \$s2) \$s0 = 1 else \$s0 = 0
jump	j L	go to L
jump register	jr \$s0	go to \$s0
jump and link	ja 250	go to 1000; \$ra=PC+4

Exercise 1. Assume that \$t0 holds the value 5 (101 in binary). What is the value of \$t2 after each of the following instructions?

1.1 sll \$t2, \$t0, 2
 andi \$t2, \$t2, 55 # 55 in binary is 110111

\$t2 = 10100 in binary
 010100 & 110111 = 010100 in binary
 $\$t2 = 2^4 + 2^2 = 20$

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1.2 slt $t2, $zero, $t0
    bne $t2, $zero, ELSE
    j DONE
    ELSE: addi $t2, $t2, 2
    DONE:

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Since $\$t0 > 0$, $\$t2 = 1$
 Then $\$t2 \neq 0$, go to ELSE
 $\$t2 += 2$
 $\$t2 = 3$

Exercise 2. For the following C statements, what is the corresponding MIPS assembly code? Try to use a minimal number of MIPS assembly instructions.

2.1 $f = (g \ll 1) + (h - 5);$
 Assume that the variables g and h are given and stored in $\$t0$ and $\$t1$ respectively. Use $\$s0$ to represent the variable f .

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sll $t0, $t0, 1
subi $t1, $t1, 5
add $s0, $t0, $t1

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2.2 $B[4] = A[i-j];$

A and B are arrays of 32-bit integers. Assume that the variables i and j are assigned to registers $\$t0$ and $\$t1$ respectively, and that the base address of A and B are in registers $\$s4$ and $\$s5$ respectively.

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sub $t0, $t0, $t1    # i - j
sll $t0, $t0, 2      # (i - j) * 4
add $s4, $s4, $t0
lw  $s0, 0($s4)
sw  $s0, 16($s5)
```

Exercise 3. Consider the following C function computing the sum of the sequence: 1, 2, 3, ..., n .

```
int sum (int n) {
    int s = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; ++i)
        s += i + 1;
    return s;
}
```

Write a minimal sequence of MIPS assembly instructions that does the identical operation. Assume that the registers $\$t0$ and $\$s0$ hold the values of the variables i and s , respectively. As usual, we assume that $\$s0$ has its own value before the function `sum` is called, thus this value must be saved on stack (given by the register $\$sp$) during the execution of the function `sum`.

Note: the argument, the return value and the return address are in $\$a0$, $\$v0$ and $\$ra$, respectively.

```

sum:
addi $sp, $sp, -4
sw $s0, 0($sp)    # Save $s0
add $s0, $0, $0    # $s0 = 0
add $t0, $s0, $0    # $t0 = 0
loop:
slt $t2, $t0, $a0    # If $t0 ≥ n
beq $t2, $0, done    # Go to done
addi $t0, $t0, 1    # $t0 += 1
add $s0, $s0, $t0    # $s0 += $t0
j loop
done:
add $v0, $s0, $0    # Save return
lw $s0, 0($sp)    # Pop $s0
addi $sp, $sp, 4
jr $ra    # Return

```