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Instructions:

1. This examination paper consists of **13 pages** in total, including **7** questions within **11** pages, **2** appendices.
2. Please do NOT use pencils to answer the questions.
3. Please answer all the questions in the spaces provided on the examination paper.
4. Please read each question carefully, answer clearly and to the point. Make sure that your answers are neatly written.
5. Keep all pages stapled together. You can tear off the appendix only.
6. Calculator and electronic devices are not allowed.
7. The examination period will last for 2.5 hours.

Question	Percentage %	Score
1 Cache Performance	12	
2 Cache Architecture	15	
3 Single-cycle Datapath & Control	13	
4 Multi-cycle Datapath & Control	20	
5 MIPS Recursion	15	
6 MIPS Programming	10	
7 Pipeline	15	
TOTAL	100	



Question 1: Cache Performance (12 marks)

a) The average memory access latency for a microprocessor with a single level cache is 2.4 clock cycles. If the data is present in the cache, it takes 1 clock cycle to fetch. Otherwise, (if data is not in the cache), 80 clock cycles are necessary to get it from the main memory. We want to improve the average memory access latency to 1.5 clock cycles by adding a 2nd level of cache on chip. This 2nd level of cache can be accessed in 6 clock cycles, and does not affect the first level cache access patterns and hit times, nor the access time to the main memory (i.e., 80 additional clock cycles).

1. Give the general equation for the average memory access latency in a memory hierarchy with two-level cache, using the following notations: L1 Cache, hit time t_1 , hit rate h_1 ; L2 Cache, hit time t_2 , hit rate h_2 ; main memory access time t_{mem} . (2 marks)
2. What is the expected hit rate in the 2nd level cache to achieve the target speedup (from 2.4 to 1.5 cycle)? Briefly show your calculation steps. (6 marks)

b) For a given machine, and a given program, if all the data and instructions could always be found in the first level cache, then on average the processor can finish an instruction within 2 clock cycles (i.e. the ideal CPI, $\text{CPI}_{\text{optimum}} = 2$).

However, measurements obtained show that the instruction miss rate is 12% and the data miss rate is 6%, and that on average, 30% of all instructions contain a data reference. The miss penalty for the cache is 10 cycles. What is the actual CPI for this program on this machine if we consider memory access overhead? (4 marks)



Question 2: Cache Architecture (15 marks)

- a) Consider a 16-way set associative cache of size 64K bytes. If a memory address is 32 bits and the block size is 64 bytes, answer the following questions. Briefly show your calculations. (5 marks)

Number of blocks in the cache =

Number of sets in the cache =

Number of bits for the byte offset =

Number of bits for the Index field =

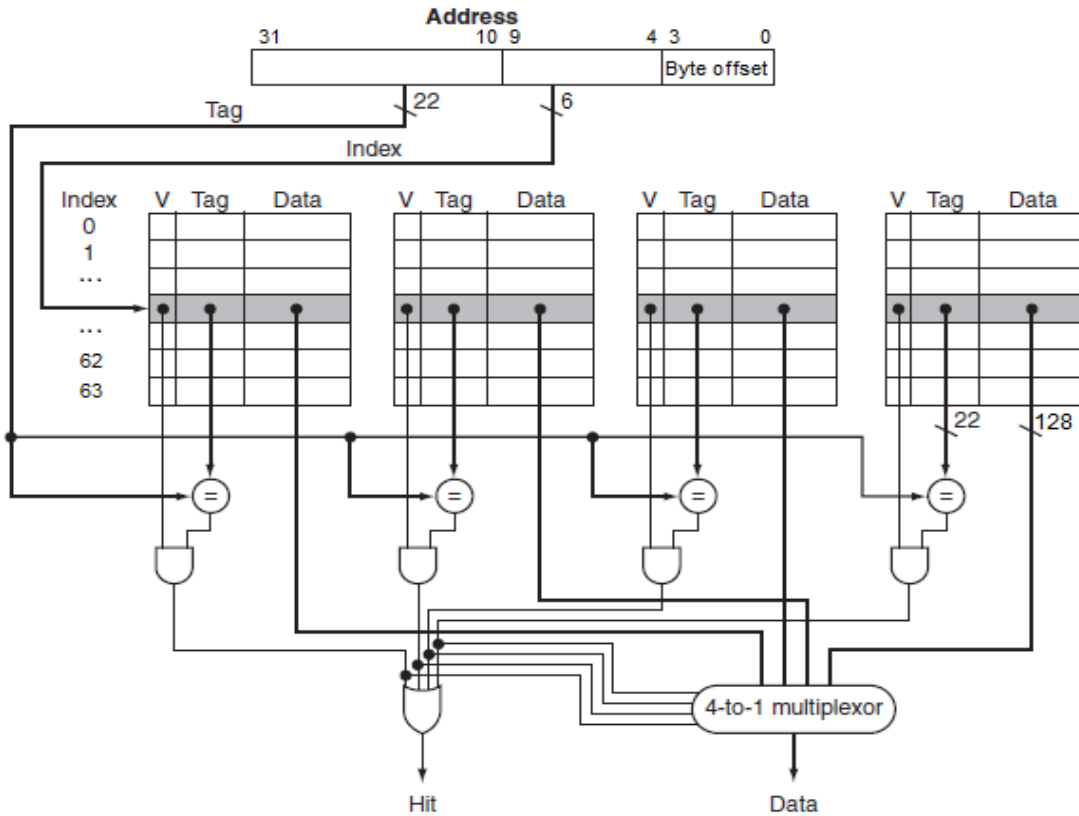
Number of bits for the Tag field =

- b) Given a 2-way set-associative cache with 3-bit tag, below is a sequence of memory accesses which are mapped to the same cache set. Assume the cache is initially empty. If LRU cache replacement strategy is used, fill in the blank below to indicate if a Hit or Miss happened to the each access. (5 marks)

	Tag field of the memory accesses generated by CPU (from left to right):								
	101	101	100	111	011	100	011	011	100
Hit/Miss	Miss	Hit							
	Cache Access Tracking:								
MRU	101	101							
LRU									



c) Consider the following 4-way set associative cache.

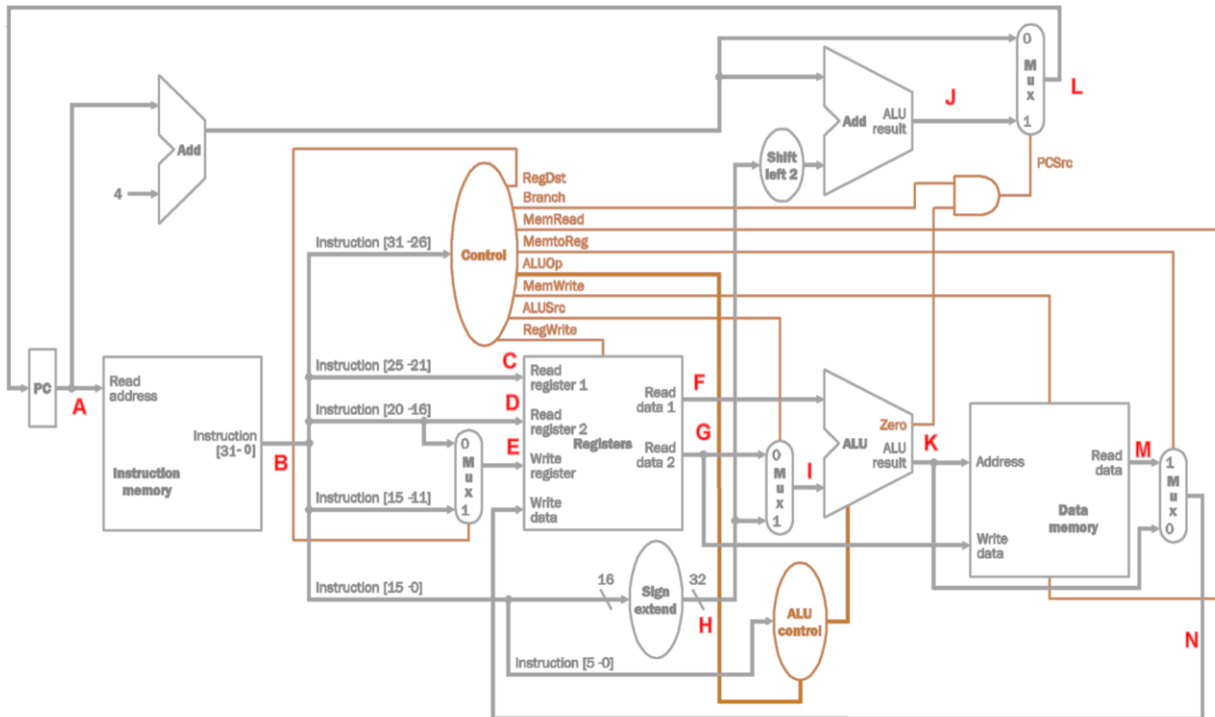


Complete the last two columns of the following table for the given sequence of memory accesses. (5 marks)

Address of the memory access generated by CPU	Assigned cache set	Hit or miss?
0000 1111 0101 0010 0011 0111 0100 0110		
0000 1111 0101 1010 0011 0111 0100 0110		
0000 1111 0101 0010 0011 0111 0111 1101		
0000 1111 0101 0010 0011 0111 0100 0110		
0000 1111 0101 0010 0011 0111 0111 0110		
0000 1111 0101 0010 0011 0111 0100 1001		



Question 3: Single Cycle Datapath & Control (13 marks)



a) Instruction `ori $s0, $t0, 20` is executed in the above single cycle datapath. Assume the values stored in registers `$s0` and `$t0` are 7 and 9 respectively. Fill in the table with the proper binary numbers that correspond to the labels in the figure above. (5 marks)

A	Address of the instruction
B	
F	
G	
I	
N	

b) Complete the following table with control signal values to execute the `ori` instruction. 'Don't care' signals are represented by 'x'. (8 marks)

RegDst	Branch	MemRead	MemtoReg	ALU Control Input (4 bits)	MemWrite	ALUSrc	RegWrite



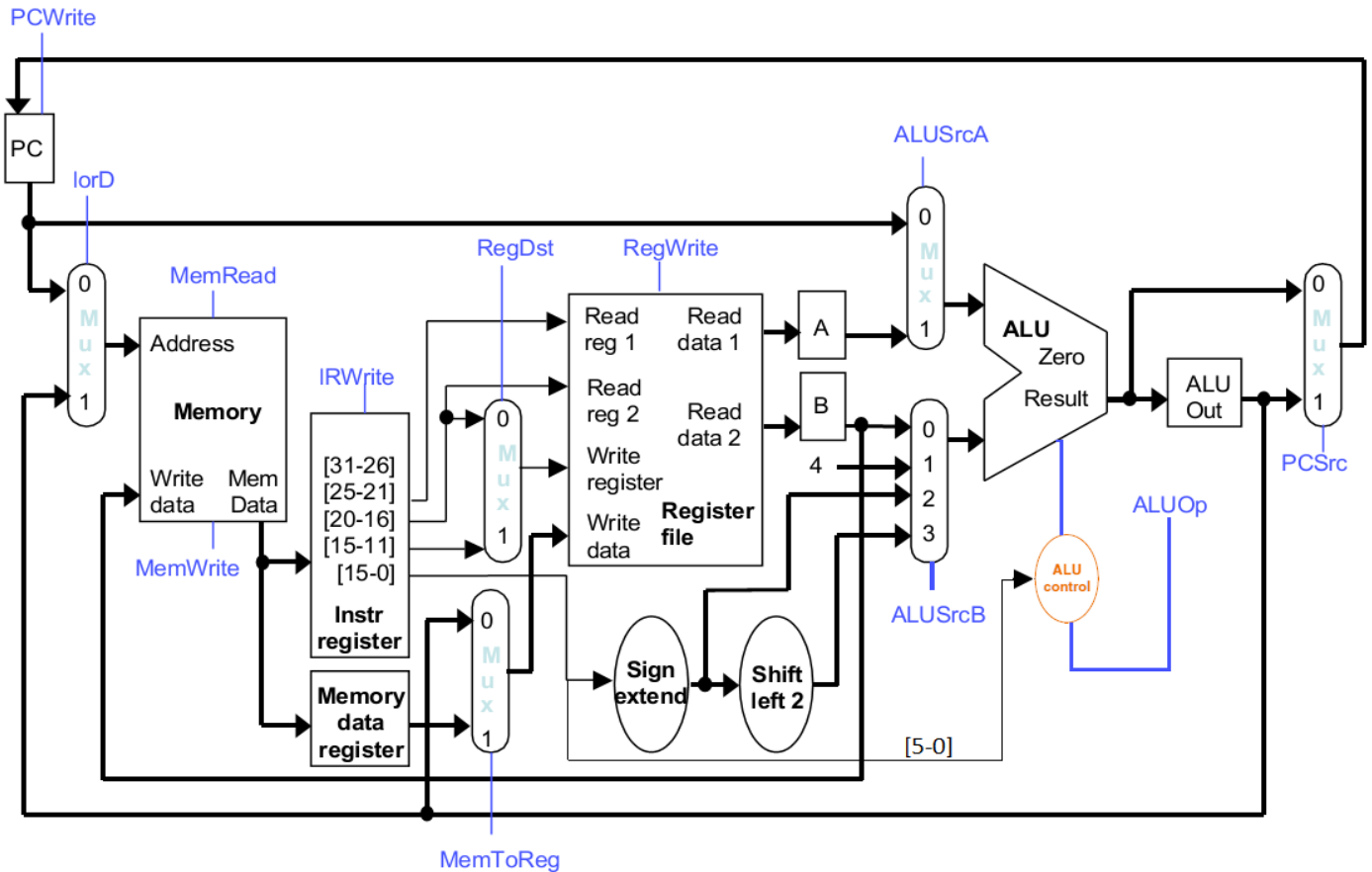
Question 4: Multi-Cycle Datapath & Control (20 marks)

Consider implementing an imaginary R-type instruction; *subtract memory* (*submem*), in MIPS. The instruction is similar to the *subtract* (*sub*) instruction, except that it takes the second operand (i.e. the subtrahend) from the memory address stored in register *rt*. The instruction format and its syntax and meaning are shown below:

Field	op	rs	rt	rd	shamt	func
Bits	31-26	25-21	20-16	15-11	10-6	5-0

```
submem $rd, $rs, $rt    # $rd = $rs - mem[[Reg[$rt]]]
```

- a) Make the necessary changes to the multicycle datapath below to support *submem*. (8 marks)
 Rules/Hints: i) No modification to the main functional units. No new control signals. You should only add wires, and/or expand existing multiplexers. ii) You may assume the ALU control module recognizes the instruction (from its *func* field) and supply the correct control signal to the ALU. iii) With assumption that memory access or ALU operations take one clock cycle to finish, the *submem* instruction takes 5 cycles to finish in the modified multicycle datapath.

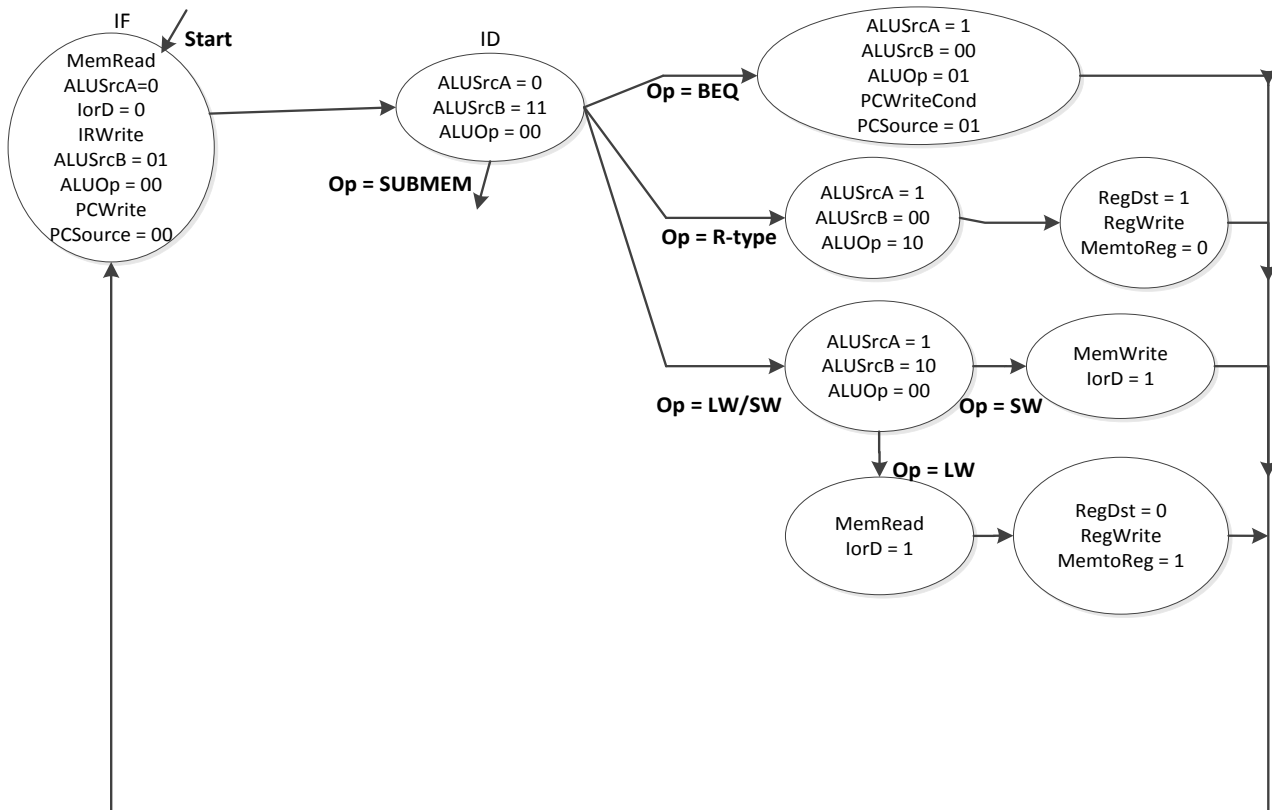




b) Specify the operations done in each cycle in the table below. (6 marks)

Cycle	Operations
Cycle 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fetch - $PC = PC + 4$
Cycle 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decode - Read rs and rt - Calculate the branch target (for possible beq)
Cycle 3	
Cycle 4	
Cycle 5	

c) Complete the finite state machine (FSM) diagram with the `submem` instruction. Remember to fill all the control signals that you have modified in part (a). (6 marks)





Question 5: MIPS Recursion (15 marks)

Fill in the blanks below to implement a recursive Fibonacci function in MIPS code. The C definition of the function is given below in the comments of the MIPS program. You can use any of the instructions from Appendix 1, including pseudo-instructions.

fibonacci:

```
#$a0 = n, $v0 = fibo(n)
#if (n==0) return 0;
#if (n==1) return 1;
#return( fibo(n-1)+fibo(n-2) );
#Step1: save preserved registers in the stack if needed
```

```
#Step 2: check the base case
#Jump to return0 if n==0, jump to return1 if n==1
```

```
#Step 3: handle the recursive case
```

```
#Step 4: restore the registers from stack and fibo exits
```

exitfib:

return1:

```
li $v0,1
j exitfib
```

return0:

```
li $v0,0
j exitfib
```




Question 6: MIPS Programming (10 marks)

- a) A single precision IEEE 754 number is stored in memory at address labelled X. Write the shortest sequence of MIPS instructions to multiply this number by 2, and store the result back at memory address X. Accomplish this without using any floating point instructions. You can assume no overflow happens. (4 marks)
- b) Write a MIPS procedure to detect if overflow took place or not for the addition of two unsigned integers stored in registers \$t1 and \$t2.
- i) Write the condition under which overflow occurs for the addition of \$t1 and \$t2 (2 marks)
- ii) Provide a sequence of MIPS instructions to detect such overflow. (4 marks)



Question 7: Pipelining (15 marks)

- a) The pipelined datapath that we have discussed in class is broken down into 5 steps: instruction fetch (IF), decode and register read (ID), ALU operation (EX), memory access (MEM) and result write back (WB).

Assuming each step takes a number of picoseconds (10^{-12} s) to finish as follows:

IF	ID	EX	MEM	WB
305ps	275ps	280ps	305ps	250ps

- i) What would be the clock cycle duration for this datapath if we want to build an efficient pipeline and why? (2 mark)
- ii) In this datapath, assuming there are neither hazards nor stalls (ideal case), how long does it take to execute an instruction? (2 marks)
- iii) Assuming N add instructions are executed. If they don't have any data dependencies, what is the speedup of a pipelined implementation when compared with a multi-cycle implementation with the same number of stages? Your answer should be an expression that is a function of N . (3 marks)

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- b) Assume we execute the following instruction sequence in the pipeline. Our pipeline uses all possible forwarding from any stage to any stage (provided it does not violate the timing consistency). Fill in the table below with the appropriate pipeline stages (IF, ID, EX, Mem, WB) or bubbles (BUB). (4 marks)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
sub \$s1, \$t0, \$t1	IF	ID	EX	Mem	WB						
add \$s2, \$s0, \$s1											
add \$s5, \$s3, \$s4											
add \$s6, \$s5, \$s2											

Explain every forwarding path you used to attain your answer. (4 marks)

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Appendix 1: MIPS instructions 1

MIPS Reference Data Card ("Green Card") 1. Pull along perforation to separate card 2. Fold bottom side (columns 3 and 4) together

MIPS Reference Data



NAME, MNEMONIC	FOR-MAT	OPERATION (in Verilog)	OPCODE / FUNCT (Hex)
Add	add R	$R[rd] = R[rs] + R[rt]$	(1) 0 / 20 _{hex}
Add Immediate	addi I	$R[rt] = R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}$	(1,2) 8 _{hex}
Add Imm. Unsigned	addiu I	$R[rt] = R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}$	(2) 9 _{hex}
Add Unsigned	addu R	$R[rd] = R[rs] + R[rt]$	0 / 21 _{hex}
And	and R	$R[rd] = R[rs] \& R[rt]$	0 / 24 _{hex}
And Immediate	andi I	$R[rt] = R[rs] \& \text{ZeroExtImm}$	(3) c _{hex}
Branch On Equal	beq I	if($R[rs] == R[rt]$) $PC = PC + 4 + \text{BranchAddr}$	(4) 4 _{hex}
Branch On Not Equal	bne I	if($R[rs] != R[rt]$) $PC = PC + 4 + \text{BranchAddr}$	(4) 5 _{hex}
Jump	j J	$PC = \text{JumpAddr}$	(5) 2 _{hex}
Jump And Link	jal J	$R[31] = PC + 8; PC = \text{JumpAddr}$	(5) 3 _{hex}
Jump Register	jr R	$PC = R[rs]$	0 / 08 _{hex}
Load Byte Unsigned	lbu I	$R[rt] = \{24'b0, M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}](7:0)\}$	(2) 24 _{hex}
Load Halfword Unsigned	lhu I	$R[rt] = \{16'b0, M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}](15:0)\}$	(2) 25 _{hex}
Load Linked	ll I	$R[rt] = M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}]$	(2,7) 30 _{hex}
Load Upper Imm.	lui I	$R[rt] = \{\text{imm}, 16'b0\}$	f _{hex}
Load Word	lw I	$R[rt] = M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}]$	(2) 23 _{hex}
Nor	nor R	$R[rd] = \sim (R[rs] R[rt])$	0 / 27 _{hex}
Or	or R	$R[rd] = R[rs] R[rt]$	0 / 25 _{hex}
Or Immediate	ori I	$R[rt] = R[rs] \text{ZeroExtImm}$	(3) d _{hex}
Set Less Than	slt R	$R[rd] = (R[rs] < R[rt]) ? 1 : 0$	0 / 2a _{hex}
Set Less Than Imm.	slti I	$R[rt] = (R[rs] < \text{SignExtImm}) ? 1 : 0$	(2) a _{hex}
Set Less Than Imm. Unsigned	sltiu I	$R[rt] = (R[rs] < \text{SignExtImm}) ? 1 : 0$	(2,6) b _{hex}
Set Less Than Unsig.	sltu R	$R[rd] = (R[rs] < R[rt]) ? 1 : 0$	(6) 0 / 2b _{hex}
Shift Left Logical	sll R	$R[rd] = R[rt] \ll \text{shamt}$	0 / 00 _{hex}
Shift Right Logical	srl R	$R[rd] = R[rt] \gg \text{shamt}$	0 / 02 _{hex}
Store Byte	sb I	$M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}](7:0) = R[rt](7:0)$	(2) 28 _{hex}
Store Conditional	sc I	$M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}] = R[rt];$ $R[rt] = (\text{atomic}) ? 1 : 0$	(2,7) 38 _{hex}
Store Halfword	sh I	$M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}](15:0) = R[rt](15:0)$	(2) 29 _{hex}
Store Word	sw I	$M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}] = R[rt]$	(2) 2b _{hex}
Subtract	sub R	$R[rd] = R[rs] - R[rt]$	(1) 0 / 22 _{hex}
Subtract Unsigned	subu R	$R[rd] = R[rs] - R[rt]$	0 / 23 _{hex}

- May cause overflow exception
- $\text{SignExtImm} = \{ 16\{\text{immediate}[15], \text{immediate} \}$
- $\text{ZeroExtImm} = \{ 16\{1b'0\}, \text{immediate} \}$
- $\text{BranchAddr} = \{ 14\{\text{immediate}[15], \text{immediate}, 2'b0 \}$
- $\text{JumpAddr} = \{ PC + 4\{31:28\}, \text{address}, 2'b0 \}$
- Operands considered unsigned numbers (vs. 2's comp.)
- Atomic test&set pair; $R[rt] = 1$ if pair atomic, 0 if not atomic

BASIC INSTRUCTION FORMATS

R	opcode	rs	rt	rd	shamt	funct
	31	26 25	21 20	16 15	11 10	6 5
I	opcode	rs	rt	immediate		
	31	26 25	21 20	16 15		
J	opcode	address				
	31	26 25				

ARITHMETIC CORE INSTRUCTION SET

NAME, MNEMONIC	FOR-MAT	OPERATION	OPCODE / FUNCT (Hex)
Branch On FP True	bclt FI	if($FPcond$) $PC = PC + 4 + \text{BranchAddr}$	(4) 11/8/1--
Branch On FP False	bclt FI	if(! $FPcond$) $PC = PC + 4 + \text{BranchAddr}$	(4) 11/8/0--
Divide	div R	$Lo = R[rs]/R[rt]; Hi = R[rs]\%R[rt]$	0/--/1a
Divide Unsigned	divu R	$Lo = R[rs]/R[rt]; Hi = R[rs]\%R[rt]$	(6) 0/--/1b
FP Add Single	add.s FR	$F[fd] = F[fs] + F[ft]$	11/10/--0
FP Add Double	add.d FR	$\{F[fd], F[fd+1]\} = \{F[fs], F[fs+1]\} + \{F[ft], F[ft+1]\}$	11/11/--0
FP Compare Single	cx.s* FR	$FPcond = (F[fs] \text{ op } F[ft]) ? 1 : 0$	11/10/--y
FP Compare Double	cx.d* FR	$FPcond = (\{F[fs], F[fs+1]\} \text{ op } \{F[ft], F[ft+1]\}) ? 1 : 0$	11/11/--y
* (x is eq, lt, or le) (op is ==, <, or <=) (y is 32, 3c, or 3e)			
FP Divide Single	div.s FR	$F[fd] = F[fs] / F[ft]$	11/10/--3
FP Divide Double	div.d FR	$\{F[fd], F[fd+1]\} = \{F[fs], F[fs+1]\} / \{F[ft], F[ft+1]\}$	11/11/--3
FP Multiply Single	mul.s FR	$F[fd] = F[fs] * F[ft]$	11/10/--2
FP Multiply Double	mul.d FR	$\{F[fd], F[fd+1]\} = \{F[fs], F[fs+1]\} * \{F[ft], F[ft+1]\}$	11/11/--2
FP Subtract Single	sub.s FR	$F[fd] = F[fs] - F[ft]$	11/10/--1
FP Subtract Double	sub.d FR	$\{F[fd], F[fd+1]\} = \{F[fs], F[fs+1]\} - \{F[ft], F[ft+1]\}$	11/11/--1
Load FP Single	lwc1 I	$F[rt] = M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}]$	(2) 31/--/--
Load FP Double	ldc1 I	$F[rt] = M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}];$ $F[rt+1] = M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm} + 4]$	(2) 35/--/--
Move From Hi	mghi R	$R[rd] = Hi$	0/--/--10
Move From Lo	mflor R	$R[rd] = Lo$	0/--/--12
Move From Control	mfc0 R	$R[rd] = CR[rs]$	10/0/--0
Multiply	mult R	$\{Hi, Lo\} = R[rs] * R[rt]$	0/--/--18
Multiply Unsigned	multu R	$\{Hi, Lo\} = R[rs] * R[rt]$	(6) 0/--/--19
Shift Right Arith.	sra R	$R[rd] = R[rt] \gg \text{shamt}$	0/--/--3
Store FP Single	swc1 I	$M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}] = F[rt]$	(2) 39/--/--
Store FP Double	sdc1 I	$M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm}] = F[rt];$ $M[R[rs] + \text{SignExtImm} + 4] = F[rt+1]$	(2) 3d/--/--

FLOATING-POINT INSTRUCTION FORMATS

FR	opcode	fmt	ft	fs	fd	funct
	31	26 25	21 20	16 15	11 10	6 5
FI	opcode	fmt	ft	immediate		
	31	26 25	21 20	16 15		

PSEUDOINSTRUCTION SET

NAME	MNEMONIC	OPERATION
Branch Less Than	blt	if($R[rs] < R[rt]$) $PC = \text{Label}$
Branch Greater Than	bgt	if($R[rs] > R[rt]$) $PC = \text{Label}$
Branch Less Than or Equal	b1e	if($R[rs] \leq R[rt]$) $PC = \text{Label}$
Branch Greater Than or Equal	bge	if($R[rs] \geq R[rt]$) $PC = \text{Label}$
Load Immediate	li	$R[rd] = \text{immediate}$
Move	move	$R[rd] = R[rs]$

REGISTER NAME, NUMBER, USE, CALL CONVENTION

NAME	NUMBER	USE	PRESERVED ACROSS A CALL?
\$zero	0	The Constant Value 0	N.A.
\$at	1	Assembler Temporary	No
\$v0-\$v1	2-3	Values for Function Results and Expression Evaluation	No
\$a0-\$a3	4-7	Arguments	No
\$t0-\$t7	8-15	Temporaries	No
\$s0-\$s7	16-23	Saved Temporaries	Yes
\$t8-\$t9	24-25	Temporaries	No
\$k0-\$k1	26-27	Reserved for OS Kernel	No
\$gp	28	Global Pointer	Yes
\$sp	29	Stack Pointer	Yes
\$fp	30	Frame Pointer	Yes
\$ra	31	Return Address	Yes

Appendix 2: MIPS instructions 2

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OPCODES, BASE CONVERSION, ASCII SYMBOLS

MIPS opcode (31:26)	(1) MIPS funct (5:0)	(2) MIPS funct (5:0)	Binary	Decimal	Hexadecimal	ASCII Character	Decimal	Hexadecimal	ASCII Character
(1)	sll	add _f	00 0000	0	0	NUL	64	40	@
		sub _f	00 0001	1	1	SOH	65	41	A
j	srl	mul _f	00 0010	2	2	STX	66	42	B
jal	sra	div _f	00 0011	3	3	ETX	67	43	C
beq	sllv	sqr _t _f	00 0100	4	4	EOT	68	44	D
bne		abs _f	00 0101	5	5	ENQ	69	45	E
blez	srlv	mov _f	00 0110	6	6	ACK	70	46	F
bgtz	srav	neg _f	00 0111	7	7	BEL	71	47	G
addi	jr		00 1000	8	8	BS	72	48	H
addiu	jalr		00 1001	9	9	HT	73	49	I
slti	movz		00 1010	10	a	LF	74	4a	J
sltiu	movn		00 1011	11	b	VT	75	4b	K
andi	syscall	round _{wf}	00 1100	12	c	FF	76	4c	L
ori	break	trunc _{wf}	00 1101	13	d	CR	77	4d	M
xori		ceil _{wf}	00 1110	14	e	SO	78	4e	N
lui	sync	floor _{wf}	00 1111	15	f	SI	79	4f	O
(2)	mfi		01 0000	16	10	DLE	80	50	P
	nthi		01 0001	17	11	DC1	81	51	Q
	mflo	movz _f	01 0010	18	12	DC2	82	52	R
	mtlo	movn _f	01 0011	19	13	DC3	83	53	S
			01 0100	20	14	DC4	84	54	T
			01 0101	21	15	NAK	85	55	U
			01 0110	22	16	SYN	86	56	V
			01 0111	23	17	ETB	87	57	W
	mult		01 1000	24	18	CAN	88	58	X
	multu		01 1001	25	19	EM	89	59	Y
	div		01 1010	26	1a	SUB	90	5a	Z
	divu		01 1011	27	1b	ESC	91	5b	[
			01 1100	28	1c	FS	92	5c]
			01 1101	29	1d	GS	93	5d	^
			01 1110	30	1e	RS	94	5e	^
			01 1111	31	1f	US	95	5f	~
lb	add	cvt _f	10 0000	32	20	Space	96	60	~
lh	addu	cvt _d	10 0001	33	21	!	97	61	a
lwl	sub		10 0010	34	22	"	98	62	b
lwr	subu		10 0011	35	23	#	99	63	c
lbu	and	cvt _{wf}	10 0100	36	24	\$	100	64	d
lhu	or		10 0101	37	25	%	101	65	e
lwr	xor		10 0110	38	26	&	102	66	f
	nor		10 0111	39	27	'	103	67	g
sb			10 1000	40	28	(104	68	h
sh			10 1001	41	29)	105	69	i
swl	slt		10 1010	42	2a	*	106	6a	j
sw	sltu		10 1011	43	2b	+	107	6b	k
			10 1100	44	2c	,	108	6c	l
			10 1101	45	2d	-	109	6d	m
swr			10 1110	46	2e	.	110	6e	n
cache			10 1111	47	2f	/	111	6f	o
ll	tge	c _f	11 0000	48	30	0	112	70	p
lwc1	tgeu	c _{un}	11 0001	49	31	1	113	71	q
lwc2	tlb	c _{eq}	11 0010	50	32	2	114	72	r
pref	tlbu	c _{ueq}	11 0011	51	33	3	115	73	s
	teq		11 0100	52	34	4	116	74	t
ldc1		c _{ult}	11 0101	53	35	5	117	75	u
ldc2	tne	c _{ole}	11 0110	54	36	6	118	76	v
		c _{ule}	11 0111	55	37	7	119	77	w
sc		c _{sf}	11 1000	56	38	8	120	78	x
swc1		c _{ngle}	11 1001	57	39	9	121	79	y
swc2		c _{seq}	11 1010	58	3a	:	122	7a	z
		c _{ngl}	11 1011	59	3b	;	123	7b	{
		c _{lt}	11 1100	60	3c	<	124	7c	
sdc1		c _{nge}	11 1101	61	3d	=	125	7d	}
sdc2		c _{le}	11 1110	62	3e	>	126	7e	~
		c _{ngt}	11 1111	63	3f	?	127	7f	DEL

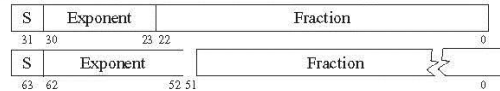
(1) opcode(31:26) = 0
 (2) opcode(31:26) = 17_{ten} (11_{hex}); if fnt(25:21) = 16_{ten} (10_{hex}), f = s (single);
 if fnt(25:21) = 17_{ten} (11_{hex}), f = d (double)

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IEEE 754 FLOATING-POINT STANDARD

$(-1)^S \times (1 + \text{Fraction}) \times 2^{(\text{Exponent} - \text{Bias})}$
 where Single Precision Bias = 127,
 Double Precision Bias = 1023.

IEEE Single Precision and Double Precision Formats:

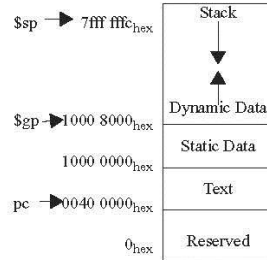


IEEE 754 Symbols

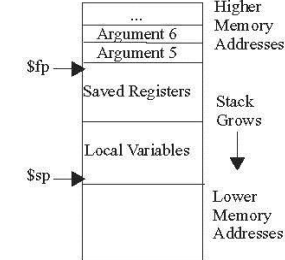
Exponent	Fraction	Object
0	0	± 0
0	≠ 0	± Denorm
1 to MAX - 1	anything	± Fl. Pt. Num.
MAX	0	±∞
MAX	≠ 0	NaN

S.P. MAX = 255, D.P. MAX = 2047

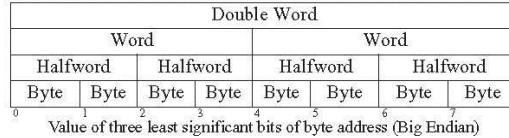
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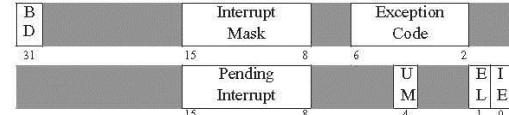
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DATA ALIGNMENT



EXCEPTION CONTROL REGISTERS: CAUSE AND STATUS



BD = Branch Delay, UM = User Mode, EL = Exception Level, IE = Interrupt Enable

EXCEPTION CODES

Number	Name	Cause of Exception	Number	Name	Cause of Exception
0	Int	Interrupt (hardware)	9	Bp	Breakpoint Exception
4	AdEL	Address Error Exception (load or instruction fetch)	10	RI	Reserved Instruction Exception
5	AdES	Address Error Exception (store)	11	CpU	Coprocessor Unimplemented
6	IBE	Bus Error on Instruction Fetch	12	Ov	Arithmetic Overflow Exception
7	DBE	Bus Error on Load or Store	13	Tr	Trap
8	Sys	Syscall Exception	15	FPE	Floating Point Exception

SIZE PREFIXES (10^x for Disk, Communication; 2^x for Memory)

SIZE	PRE-FIX	SIZE	PRE-FIX	SIZE	PRE-FIX	SIZE	PRE-FIX
10 ³ , 2 ¹⁰	Kilo-	10 ¹⁵ , 2 ⁵⁰	Peta-	10 ⁻³	milli-	10 ⁻¹⁵	femto-
10 ⁶ , 2 ²⁰	Mega-	10 ¹⁸ , 2 ⁶⁰	Exa-	10 ⁻⁶	micro-	10 ⁻¹⁸	atto-
10 ⁹ , 2 ³⁰	Giga-	10 ²¹ , 2 ⁷⁰	Zetta-	10 ⁻⁹	nano-	10 ⁻²¹	zepto-
10 ¹² , 2 ⁴⁰	Tera-	10 ²⁴ , 2 ⁸⁰	Yotta-	10 ⁻¹²	pico-	10 ⁻²⁴	yocto-

The symbol for each prefix is just its first letter, except μ is used for micro.

MIPS Reference Data Card ("Green Card") 1. Pull along perforation to separate card 2. Fold bottom side (columns 3 and 4) together