EECS 373
Design of Microprocessor-Based Systems

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Lecture 2: Architecture, Assembly, and ABI
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Admin Stuff

- Website URL (again)
  - http://www.eecs.umich.edu/courses/eecs373/

- HW2 posted, due a week from today.
  - ARM assembly.

- Schedule things:
  - Group formation meeting Monday 2/8 6:30-8:00
  - Midterm exam Wednesday 2/24 7:00-9:00 (sharp)
  - 373 Design Expo Monday 4/18
    - Time TBA (11am-2 most likely)
  - Final Exam, 4/26 4-6pm
Today...

ARM assembly example

Walk though of the ARM ISA

Lab tool flow

Start on Application Binary Interface (ABI)
Major elements of an Instruction Set Architecture (registers, memory, word size, endianess, conditions, instructions, addressing modes)

32-bits

mov r0, #1
ld r1, [r0,#5]  
mem((r0)+5)

bne loop
subs r2, #1

Endianness

Endianness
The endianess religious war: 284 years and counting!

- **Modern version**
  - Danny Cohen
  - IEEE Computer, v14, #10
  - Published in 1981
  - Satire on CS religious war

- **Historical Inspiration**
  - Jonathan Swift
  - *Gulliver's Travels*
  - Published in 1726
  - Satire on Henry-VIII’s split with the Church
    - Now a major motion picture!

- **Little-Endian**
  - LSB is at lower address

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Addressing: Big Endian vs Little Endian (370 slide)

- **Endian-ness**: ordering of bytes within a word
  - Little - increasing numeric significance with increasing memory addresses
  - Big - The opposite, most significant byte first
  - MIPS is big endian, x86 is little endian
Instruction encoding

- Instructions are encoded in machine language opcodes
- Sometimes
  - Necessary to hand generate opcodes
  - Necessary to verify assembled code is correct
- How?

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<th>Memory Value</th>
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<td>movs r1, #0</td>
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Encoding T1

ARMv7 ARM

All versions of the Thumb ISA.

Outside IT block.

Inside IT block.

| 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 0 0 1 0 0                 | Rd | imm8 |

d = UInt(Rd); setflags = !InITBlock(); imm32 = ZeroExtend(imm8, 32); carry = APSR.C;
Assembly example

data:
  .byte 0x12, 20, 0x20, -1

func:
  mov  r0, #0
  mov  r4, #0
  movw r1, #:lower16:data
  movt r1, #:upper16:data
  top:  ldrb  r2, [r1], #1
        add  r4, r4, r2
        add  r0, r0, #1
        cmp  r0, #4
        bne top
Instructions used

• mov
  - Moves data from register or immediate.
  - Or also from shifted register or immediate!
    • the mov assembly instruction maps to a bunch of different encodings!
  - If immediate it might be a 16-bit or 32-bit instruction.
    • Not all values possible
    • why?

• movw
  - Actually an alias to mov.
    • “w” is “wide”
    • hints at 16-bit immediate.
From the ARMv7-M Architecture Reference Manual (posted on the website under references)

There are similar entries for move immediate, move shifted (which actually maps to different instructions) etc.
Directives

• #:lower16:data
  - What does that do?
  - Why?
A6.7.78  MOVT

Move Top writes an immediate value to the top halfword of the destination register. It does not affect the contents of the bottom halfword.

Encoding T1  ARMv7-M

MOVT<c>  <Rd>,#<imm16>

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<td>imm4</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>imm3</td>
<td>Rd</td>
<td>imm8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

d = Uint(Rd);  imm16 = imm4:i:imm3:imm8;
if d IN {13,15} then UNPREDICTABLE;

Assembler syntax

MOVT<c,q>  <Rd>,#<imm16>

where:

<c,q>  See Standard assembler syntax fields on page A6-7.

<Rd>  Specifies the destination register.

<imm16>  Specifies the immediate value to be written to <Rd>. It must be in the range 0-65535.

Operation

if ConditionPassed() then
   EncodingSpecificOperations();
   R[d]<31:16> = imm16;
   // R[d]<15:0> unchanged
Loads!

- **ldrb** -- **Load register byte**
  - Note this takes an 8-bit value and moves it into a 32-bit location!
  - Zeros out the top 24 bits.

- **ldrsb** -- **Load register signed byte**
  - Note this also takes an 8-bit value and moves it into a 32-bit location!
  - Uses sign extension for the top 24 bits.
Addressing Modes

• Offset Addressing
  - Offset is added or subtracted from base register
  - Result used as effective address for memory access
  - \([<Rn>, <offset>]\)

• Pre-indexed Addressing
  - Offset is applied to base register
  - Result used as effective address for memory access
  - Result written back into base register
  - \([<Rn>, <offset>!]\)

• Post-indexed Addressing
  - The address from the base register is used as the EA
  - The offset is applied to the base and then written back
  - \([<Rn>], <offset>\)
So what does the program _do_?

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    movw r1, #:lower16:data
    movt r1, #:upper16:data
    top:    ldrb r2, [r1],#1
            add r4, r4, r2
            add r0, r0, #1
            cmp r0, #4
            bne top
Today...

ARM assembly example

Walk though of the ARM ISA

Tool Flow

Start on Application Binary Interface (ABI)
An ISA defines the hardware/software interface

- A “contract” between architects and programmers
- Register set
- Instruction set
  - Addressing modes
  - Word size
  - Data formats
  - Operating modes
  - Condition codes
- **Calling conventions**
  - Really not part of the ISA (usually)
  - Rather part of the ABI
  - But the ISA often provides meaningful support.
ARM Architecture roadmap

4T
- ARM7TDMI
- ARM922T
- Thumb instruction set

5TE
- ARM926EJ-S
- ARM946E-S
- ARM966E-S
- Improved ARM/Thumb Interworking
- DSP instructions
- Extensions: Jazelle (5TEJ)

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- ARM1136JF-S
- ARM1176JZF-S
- ARM11 MPCore
- SIMD Instructions
- Unaligned data support
- Extensions:
  - Thumb-2 (6T2)
  - TrustZone (6Z)
  - Multicore (6K)

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- Cortex-A8/R4/M3/M1
- Thumb-2
- Extensions:
  - v7A (applications) – NEON
  - v7R (real time) – HW Divide
  - V7M (microcontroller) – HW Divide and Thumb-2 only
A quick comment on the ISA:

A4.1 About the instruction set

ARMv7-M supports a large number of 32-bit instructions that were introduced as Thumb-2 technology into the Thumb instruction set. Much of the functionality available is identical to the ARM instruction set supported alongside the Thumb instruction set in ARMv6T2 and other ARMv7 profiles. This chapter describes the functionality available in the ARMv7-M Thumb instruction set, and the Unified Assembler Language (UAL) that can be assembled to either the Thumb or ARM instruction sets.

Thumb instructions are either 16-bit or 32-bit, and are aligned on a two-byte boundary. 16-bit and 32-bit instructions can be intermixed freely. Many common operations are most efficiently executed using 16-bit instructions. However:

- Most 16-bit instructions can only access eight of the general purpose registers, R0-R7. These are known as the low registers. A small number of 16-bit instructions can access the high registers, R8-R15.

- Many operations that would require two or more 16-bit instructions can be more efficiently executed with a single 32-bit instruction.

The ARM and Thumb instruction sets are designed to interwork freely. Because ARMv7-M only supports Thumb instructions, interworking instructions in ARMv7-M must only reference Thumb state execution, see ARMv7-M and interworking support for more details.

In addition, see:
- Chapter A5 Thumb Instruction Set Encoding for encoding details of the Thumb instruction set
- Chapter A6 Thumb Instruction Details for detailed descriptions of the instructions.
ARM Cortex-M3 ISA

Instruction Set

ADD Rd, Rn, <op2>

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Address Space

- 32-bits
- Endianess

Branching
Data processing
Load/Store
Exceptions
Miscellaneous

32-bits
Endianess

Endianess
Registers

- Low registers:
  - R0
  - R1
  - R2
  - R3
  - R4
  - R5
  - R6
  - R7
  - R8
  - R9
  - R10
  - R11
  - R12
  - R13 (SP)
- High registers:
  - R14 (LR)
  - R15 (PC)
- Program Status Register:
  - xPSR

SP_process and SP_main:

Mode dependent
Address Space
Instruction Encoding
ADD immediate

Encoding T1: All versions of the Thumb ISA.

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| Rdn  | imm8|

Encoding T3: ARMv7-M

ADD{S}<r>,<Wc>,<Rd>,<Rn>,<const>

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| S    | Rn  | imm3 | Rd  | imm8|

Encoding T4: ARMv7-M

ADDW<r>,<Rd>,<Rn>,<imm12>

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| imm3 | Rd  | imm8|


A6.7.3 ADD (immediate)

This instruction adds an immediate value to a register value, and writes the result to the destination register.
It can optionally update the condition flags based on the result.

Encoding T1 All versions of the Thumb ISA.

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Outside IT block.

Inside IT block.

d = UInt(Rd); n = UInt(Rn); setflags = !InITBlock(); imm32 = ZeroExtend(imm3, 32);

Encoding T2 All versions of the Thumb ISA.

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Encoding T3 ARMv7-M

ADD[S]<.W <Rd>,<Rn>,#<const>

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if Rd == '1111' && S == '1' then SEE CMN (immediate);
if Rn == '1101' then SEE ADD (SP plus immediate);
d = UInt(Rd); n = UInt(Rn); setflags = (S == '1'); imm32 = ThumbExpandImm(1:imm3:imm8);
if d IN {13,15} || n = 15 then UNPREDICTABLE;

Encoding T4 ARMv7-M

ADDW<.Rd>,<Rn>,#<imm12>

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if Rn == '1111' then SEE ADR;
if Rn == '1101' then SEE ADD (SP plus immediate);
d = UInt(Rd); n = UInt(Rn); setflags = FALSE; imm32 = ZeroExtend(1:imm3:imm8, 32);
if d IN {13,15} then UNPREDICTABLE;
## Table A4-1 Branch instructions

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<td>Branch to target address</td>
<td>$\pm 1$ MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>$CBNZ$, $CBZ$ on page A6-52</td>
<td>Compare and Branch on Nonzero, Compare and Branch on Zero</td>
<td>$0-126$ B</td>
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<tr>
<td>$BL$ on page A6-49</td>
<td>Call a subroutine</td>
<td>$\pm 16$ MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>$BLX$ (register) on page A6-50</td>
<td>Call a subroutine, optionally change instruction set</td>
<td>Any</td>
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<tr>
<td>$BX$ on page A6-51</td>
<td>Branch to target address, change instruction set</td>
<td>Any</td>
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<tr>
<td>$TBB$, $TBH$ on page A6-258</td>
<td>Table Branch (byte offsets)</td>
<td>$0-510$ B</td>
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<td>Table Branch (halfword offsets)</td>
<td>$0-131070$ B</td>
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# Data processing instructions

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<td>Add with Carry</td>
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<td>Thumb permits use of a modified immediate constant or a zero-extended 12-bit immediate constant.</td>
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<td>ADR</td>
<td>Form PC-relative Address</td>
<td>First operand is the PC. Second operand is an immediate constant. Thumb supports a zero-extended 12-bit immediate constant. Operation is an addition or a subtraction.</td>
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<tr>
<td>AND</td>
<td>Bitwise AND</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>BIC</td>
<td>Bitwise Bit Clear</td>
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<tr>
<td>CMOV</td>
<td>Compare Negative</td>
<td>Sets flags. Like ADD but with no destination register.</td>
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<tr>
<td>CMP</td>
<td>Compare</td>
<td>Sets flags. Like SUB but with no destination register.</td>
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<tr>
<td>EOR</td>
<td>Bitwise Exclusive OR</td>
<td>-</td>
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<tr>
<td>MOV</td>
<td>Copies operand to destination</td>
<td>Has only one operand, with the same options as the second operand in most of these instructions. If the operand is a shifted register, the instruction is an LSL, LSR, ASR, or ROR instruction instead. See Shift instructions on page A4-10 for details. Thumb permits use of a modified immediate constant or a zero-extended 16-bit immediate constant.</td>
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Many, Many More!
### Load/Store instructions

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<td>LDRD</td>
<td>STRD</td>
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<td>\textit{YIELD} on page A6-278</td>
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Addressing Modes (again)

- Offset Addressing
  - Offset is added or subtracted from base register
  - Result used as effective address for memory access
  - \([<Rn>, <offset>]\)

- Pre-indexed Addressing
  - Offset is applied to base register
  - Result used as effective address for memory access
  - Result written back into base register
  - \([<Rn>, <offset>]!\)

- Post-indexed Addressing
  - The address from the base register is used as the EA
  - The offset is applied to the base and then written back
  - \([<Rn>], <offset>\)
<offset> options

- An immediate constant
  - #10

- An index register
  - <Rm>

- A shifted index register
  - <Rm>, LSL #<shift>

- Lots of weird options...
A5.3.2 Modified immediate constants in Thumb instructions

Table A5-11 shows the range of modified immediate constants available in Thumb data processing instructions, and how they are encoded in the a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, and imm3 fields in the instruction.

### Table A5-11 Encoding of modified immediates in Thumb data-processing instructions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>i:imm3:a</th>
<th>&lt;const&gt; a</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>00000x</td>
<td>00000000 00000000 00000000 abcdefgh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>00010x</td>
<td>00000000 abcdefgh 00000000 abcdefgh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>00100x</td>
<td>abcdefgh 00000000 abcdefgh 00000000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>00110x</td>
<td>abcdefgh abcdefgh abcdefgh abcdefgh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>010000</td>
<td>1bcdefgh 00000000 00000000 00000000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>010001</td>
<td>01bcdefg h000000 00000000 00000000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>010100</td>
<td>001bcdef gh000000 00000000 00000000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>010111</td>
<td>001bcde fgh0000 00000000 00000000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>8-bit values shifted to other positions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11101</td>
<td>00000000 00000000 000000001bc defgh00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11110</td>
<td>00000000 00000000 00000001b cdefgh00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11111</td>
<td>00000000 00000000 00000001 bcddefgh0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a. In this table, the immediate constant value is shown in binary form, to relate abcdefgh to the encoding diagram. In assembly syntax, the immediate value is specified in the usual way (a decimal number by default).

b. UNPREDICTABLE if abcdefgh == 00000000.
Application Program Status Register (APSR)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>31</th>
<th>30</th>
<th>29</th>
<th>28</th>
<th>27</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>N</td>
<td>Z</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>V</td>
<td>Q</td>
<td>RESERVES</td>
</tr>
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</table>

APSR bit fields are in the following two categories:

- Reserved bits are allocated to system features or are available for future expansion. Further information on currently allocated reserved bits is available in *The special-purpose program status registers (xPSR)* on page B1-8. Application level software must ignore values read from reserved bits, and preserve their value on a write. The bits are defined as UNK/SBZP.

- Flags that can be set by many instructions:

  - **N**, bit [31] Negative condition code flag. Set to bit [31] of the result of the instruction. If the result is regarded as a two’s complement signed integer, then $N = 1$ if the result is negative and $N = 0$ if it is positive or zero.

  - **Z**, bit [30] Zero condition code flag. Set to 1 if the result of the instruction is zero, and to 0 otherwise. A result of zero often indicates an equal result from a comparison.

  - **C**, bit [29] Carry condition code flag. Set to 1 if the instruction results in a carry condition, for example an unsigned overflow on an addition.

  - **V**, bit [28] Overflow condition code flag. Set to 1 if the instruction results in an overflow condition, for example a signed overflow on an addition.

  - **Q**, bit [27] Set to 1 if an SSAT or USAT instruction changes (saturates) the input value for the signed or unsigned range of the result.
Updating the APSR

• **SUB Rx, Ry**
  - Rx = Rx - Ry
  - APSR unchanged

• **SUBS**
  - Rx = Rx - Ry
  - APSR N, Z, C, V updated

• **ADD Rx, Ry**
  - Rx = Rx + Ry
  - APSR unchanged

• **ADDS**
  - Rx = Rx + Ry
  - APSR N, Z, C, V updated
Overflow and carry in APSR

\[
\text{unsigned\_sum} = U\text{Int}(x) + U\text{Int}(y) + U\text{Int}(\text{carry\_in});
\]

\[
\text{signed\_sum} = S\text{Int}(x) + S\text{Int}(y) + U\text{Int}(\text{carry\_in});
\]

\[
\text{result} = \text{unsigned\_sum}\langle N-1:0\rangle; \quad // \quad == \quad \text{signed\_sum}\langle N-1:0\rangle
\]

\[
\text{carry\_out} = \text{if } U\text{Int}(\text{result}) == \text{unsigned\_sum} \text{ then } '0' \text{ else } '1';
\]

\[
\text{overflow} = \text{if } S\text{Int}(\text{result}) == \text{signed\_sum} \text{ then } '0' \text{ else } '1';
\]
## Conditional execution:
Append to many instructions for conditional execution

<table>
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<tr>
<th>cond</th>
<th>Mnemonic extension</th>
<th>Meaning (integer)</th>
<th>Meaning (floating-point) $^{ab}$</th>
<th>Condition flags</th>
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<td>0000</td>
<td>EQ</td>
<td>Equal</td>
<td>Equal</td>
<td>$Z = 1$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0001</td>
<td>NE</td>
<td>Not equal</td>
<td>Not equal, or unordered</td>
<td>$Z = 0$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0010</td>
<td>CS $^c$</td>
<td>Carry set</td>
<td>Greater than, equal, or unordered</td>
<td>$C = 1$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0011</td>
<td>CC $^d$</td>
<td>Carry clear</td>
<td>Less than</td>
<td>$C = 0$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0100</td>
<td>MI</td>
<td>Minus, negative</td>
<td>Less than</td>
<td>$N = 1$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0101</td>
<td>PL</td>
<td>Plus, positive or zero</td>
<td>Greater than, equal, or unordered</td>
<td>$N = 0$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0110</td>
<td>VS</td>
<td>Overflow</td>
<td>Unordered</td>
<td>$V = 1$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0111</td>
<td>VC</td>
<td>No overflow</td>
<td>Not unordered</td>
<td>$V = 0$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1000</td>
<td>HI</td>
<td>Unsigned higher</td>
<td>Greater than, or unordered</td>
<td>$C = 1$ and $Z = 0$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1001</td>
<td>LS</td>
<td>Unsigned lower or same</td>
<td>Less than or equal</td>
<td>$C = 0$ or $Z = 1$</td>
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<tr>
<td>1010</td>
<td>GE</td>
<td>Signed greater than or equal</td>
<td>Greater than or equal</td>
<td>$N = V$</td>
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<tr>
<td>1011</td>
<td>LT</td>
<td>Signed less than</td>
<td>Less than, or unordered</td>
<td>$N \neq V$</td>
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<tr>
<td>1100</td>
<td>GT</td>
<td>Signed greater than</td>
<td>Greater than</td>
<td>$Z = 0$ and $N = V$</td>
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<tr>
<td>1101</td>
<td>LE</td>
<td>Signed less than or equal</td>
<td>Less than, equal, or unordered</td>
<td>$Z = 1$ or $N \neq V$</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1110</td>
<td>None (AL) $^e$</td>
<td>Always (unconditional)</td>
<td>Always (unconditional)</td>
<td>Any</td>
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$^a$ Special conditions.

$^b$ Not applicable for floating-point operations.

$^c$ Carry set.

$^d$ Carry clear.

$^e$ None (AL).
The ARM architecture “books” for this class
The ARM software tools “books” for this class

Sourcery G++ Lite
ARM EABI
Sourcery G++ Lite 2010q1-188
Getting Started

Using as

Using the GNU Compiler Collection

The GNU Linker

The GNU Binary Utilities

Debugging with GDB

An ARM assembly language program for GNU

```
.equ   STACK_TOP, 0x20000800
.text
.syntax  unified
.thumb
.global  _start
.type    start, %function

_start:
   .word   STACK_TOP, start

start:
   movs  r0, #10
   movs  r1, #0

loop:
   adds  r1, r0
   subs  r0, #1
   bne   loop

deadloop:
   b     deadloop
.end
```
A simple Makefile

all:
arm-none-eabi-as -mcpu=cortex-m3 -mthumb example1.s -o example1.o
arm-none-eabi-ld -Ttext 0x0 -o example1.out example1.o
arm-none-eabi-objcopy -Obinary example1.out example.bin
arm-none-eabi-objdump -S example1.out > example1.list
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    b deadloop
.end
Disassembled object code

eexample1.out: file format elf32-littlearm

Disassembly of section .text:

00000000 <_start>:
  0: 20000800 .word 0x20000800
  4: 00000009 .word 0x00000009

00000008 <start>:
  8: 200a      movs    r0, #10
  a: 2100      movs    r1, #0

0000000c <loop>:
  c: 1809      adds    r1, r1, r0
  e: 3801      subs    r0, #1
  10: d1fc     bne.n    c <loop>

00000012 <deadloop>:
  12: e7fe     b.n      12 <deadloop>
Today...

ARM assembly example

Walk though of the ARM ISA

Tool Flow

Start on Application Binary Interface (ABI)
How does an assembly language program get turned into a executable program image?

Assembly files (.s) → (assembler) → Object files (.o) → ld (linker) → Executable image file → objcopy

Memory layout → Linker script (.ld)

Binary program file (.bin) → objdump

Disassembled code (.lst)
What are the real GNU executable names for the ARM?

- Just add the prefix “arm-none-eabi-” prefix
  - Assembler (as)  
    - arm-none-eabi-as
  - Linker (ld)  
    - arm-none-eabi-ld
  - Object copy (objcopy)  
    - arm-none-eabi-objcopy
  - Object dump (objdump)  
    - arm-none-eabi-objdump
  - C Compiler (gcc)  
    - arm-none-eabi-gcc
  - C++ Compiler (g++)  
    - arm-none-eabi-g++
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```
What information does the disassembled file provide?

```assembly
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.thumb
.global _start
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  movs r1, #0

loop:
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  subs r0, #1
  bne loop

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  b deadloop
.end
```

example1.out:     file format elf32-littlearm

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  e:    3801 subs r0, #1
  10:   d1fc bne.n c <loop>

00000012 <deadloop>:
  12: e7fe b.n 12 <deadloop>
```
What are the elements of a real assembly program?

```assembly
.equ STACK_TOP, 0x20000800  ; Equates symbol to value
.text  ; Tells AS to assemble region
.syntax unified  ; Means language is ARM UAL
.thumb  ; Means ARM ISA is Thumb
.global _start  ; .global exposes symbol
    ; _start label is the beginning
    ; ...of the program region
.type start, %function  ; Specifies start is a function
    ; start label is reset handler
_start:
    .word STACK_TOP, start  ; Inserts word 0x20000800
    ; Inserts word (start)
sstart:
moves r0, #10
moves r1, #0
loop:
    adds r1, r0
    subs r0, #1
    bne loop
deadloop:
b    deadloop
.end
```

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```
How are assembly files assembled?

• $ arm-none-eabi-as
  - Useful options
    • -mcpu
    • -mthumb
    • -o

$ arm-none-eabi-as -mcpu=cortex-m3 -mthumb example1.s -o example1.o
How does a mixed C/Assembly program get turned into a executable program image?

C files (.c)

Object files (.o)

Assembly files (.s)

Library object files (.o)

Memory layout

Disassembled Code (.lst)

Linker script (.ld)

Executable image file

ld (linker)

gcc (compile + link)

Library object files (.o)

objcopy

objdump

Binary program file (.bin)

C files (.c)
Today...

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Outline

• ARM Cortex-M3 ISA and example
• Tool flow
• ABI (intro)
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<td>PC</td>
<td>The Program Counter.</td>
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<td>r14</td>
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<td>LR</td>
<td>The Link Register.</td>
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<td>r13</td>
<td></td>
<td>SP</td>
<td>The Stack Pointer.</td>
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<td>r12</td>
<td></td>
<td>IP</td>
<td>The Intra-Procedure-call scratch register.</td>
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<td>r11</td>
<td>v8</td>
<td></td>
<td>Variable-register 8.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>r10</td>
<td>v7</td>
<td></td>
<td>Variable-register 7.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>r9</td>
<td>v6</td>
<td>SB</td>
<td>Platform register.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>TR</td>
<td>The meaning of this register is defined by the platform standard.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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<td>v5</td>
<td></td>
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<td>v4</td>
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<td>a4</td>
<td></td>
<td>Argument / scratch register 4.</td>
</tr>
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<td>r2</td>
<td>a3</td>
<td></td>
<td>Argument / scratch register 3.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>r1</td>
<td>a2</td>
<td></td>
<td>Argument / result / scratch register 2.</td>
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<tr>
<td>r0</td>
<td>a1</td>
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<td>Argument / result / scratch register 1.</td>
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A subroutine must preserve the contents of the registers r4-r8, r10, r11 and SP (and r9 in PCS variants that designate r9 as v6).
Questions?

Comments?

Discussion?