

MIPS assembly language

Category	Instruction	Example	Meaning	Comments
Arithmetic	add	add \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	\$s1 = \$s2 + \$s3	Three operands; overflow detected
	subtract	sub \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	\$s1 = \$s2 - \$s3	Three operands; overflow detected
	add immediate	addi \$s1,\$s2,100	\$s1 = \$s2 + \$s3	+ constant; overflow detected
	add unsigned	addu \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	\$s1 = \$s2 + \$s3	Three operands; overflow undetected
	subtract unsigned	subu \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	\$s1 = \$s2 - \$s3	Three operands; overflow undetected
	add immediate unsigned	addiu \$s1,\$s2,100	\$s1 = \$s2 + \$s3	+ constant; overflow undetected
	move from coprocessor register	mfc0 \$s1,\$epc	\$s1 = \$epc	Used to copy Exception PC plus other special registers
	multiply	mult \$s2,\$s3	Hi, Lo = \$s2 × \$s3	64-bit signed product in Hi, Lo
	multiply unsigned	multu \$s2,\$s3	Hi, Lo = \$s2 × \$s3	64-bit unsigned product in Hi, Lo
	divide	div \$s2,\$s3	Lo = \$s2 / \$s3, Hi = \$s2 mod \$s3	Lo = quotient, Hi = remainder
	divide unsigned	divu \$s2,\$s3	Lo = \$s2 / \$s3, Hi = \$s2 mod \$s3	Unsigned quotient and remainder
	move from Hi	mfhi \$s1	\$s1 = Hi	Used to get copy of Hi
	move from Lo	mflo \$s1	\$s1 = Lo	Used to get copy of Lo
Logical	and	and \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	\$s1 = \$s2 & \$s3	Three reg. operands; logical AND
	or	or \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	\$s1 = \$s2 \$s3	Three reg. operands; logical OR
	and immediate	andi \$s1,\$s2,100	\$s1 = \$s2 & 100	Logical AND reg, constant
	or immediate	ori \$s1,\$s2,100	\$s1 = \$s2 100	Logical OR reg, constant
	shift left logical	sll \$s1,\$s2,10	\$s1 = \$s2 << 10	Shift left by constant
	shift right logical	srl \$s1,\$s2,10	\$s1 = \$s2 >> 10	Shift right by constant
Data transfer	load word	lw \$s1,100(\$s2)	\$s1 = Memory[\$s2+100]	Word from memory to register
	store word	sw \$s1,100(\$s2)	Memory[\$s2 + 100] = \$s1	Word from register to memory
	load byte unsigned	lbu \$s1,100(\$s2)	\$s1 = Memory[\$s2 + 100]	Byte from memory to register
	store byte	sb \$s1,100(\$s2)	Memory[\$s2 + 100] = \$s1	Byte from register to memory
	load upper immediate	lui \$s1,100	\$s1 = 100 * 2 ¹⁶	Loads constant in upper 16 bits
Conditional branch	branch on equal	beq \$s1,\$s2,25	if(\$s1 == \$s2) go to PC + 4 + 100	Equal test; PC-relative branch
	branch on not equal	bne \$s1,\$s2,25	if(\$s1 != \$s2) go to PC + 4 + 100	Not equal test; PC-relative
	set on less than	slt \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	if(\$s2 < \$s3) \$s1 = 1; else \$s1 = 0	Compare less than; two's complement
	set less than immediate	slti \$s1,\$s2,100	if(\$s2 < 100) \$s1 = 1; else \$s1=0	Compare < constant; two's complement
	set less than unsigned	sltu \$s1,\$s2,\$s3	if(\$s2 < \$s3) \$s1 = 1; else \$s1=0	Compare less than; natural numbers
	set less than immediate unsigned	sltiu \$s1,\$s2,100	if(\$s2 < 100) \$s1 = 1; else \$s1 = 0	Compare < constant; natural numbers
	jump	j 2500	go to 10000	Jump to target address
Unconditional jump	jump register	jr \$ra	go to \$ra	For switch, procedure return
	jump and link	jal 2500	\$ra = PC + 4; go to 10000	For procedure call

Main MIPS assembly language instruction set. The floating-point instructions are shown in Figure 4.47 on page 291. Appendix A gives the full MIPS assembly language instruction set.

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Name	Format	Example						Comments
		6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	6 bits	
add	R	0	2	3	1	0	32	add \$1,\$2,\$3
sub	R	0	2	3	1	0	34	sub \$1,\$2,\$3
addi	I	8	2	1		100		addi \$1,\$2,100
addu	R	0	2	3	1	0	33	addu \$1,\$2,\$3
subu	R	0	2	3	1	0	35	subu \$1,\$2,\$3
addiu	I	9	2	1		100		addiu \$1,\$2,100
mfc0	R	16	0	1	14	0	0	mfc0 \$1,\$epc
mult	R	0	2	3	0	0	24	mult \$2,\$3
multu	R	0	2	3	0	0	25	multu \$2,\$3
div	R	0	2	3	0	0	26	div \$2,\$3
divu	R	0	2	3	0	0	27	divu \$2,\$3
mfhi	R	0	0	0	1	0	16	mfhi \$1
mflo	R	0	0	0	1	0	18	mflo \$1
and	R	0	2	3	1	0	36	and \$1,\$2,\$3
or	R	0	2	3	1	0	37	or \$1,\$2,\$3
andi	I	12	2	1		100		andi \$1,\$2,100
ori	I	13	2	1		100		ori \$1,\$2,100
sll	R	0	0	2	1	10	0	sll \$1,\$2,10
srl	R	0	0	2	1	10	2	srl \$1,\$2,10
lw	I	35	2	1		100		lw \$1,100(\$2)
sw	I	43	2	1		100		sw \$1,100(\$2)
lui	I	15	0	1		100		lui \$1,100
beq	I	4	1	2		25		beq \$1,\$2,100
bne	I	5	1	2		25		bne \$1,\$2,100
slt	R	0	2	3	1	0	42	slt \$1,\$2,100
slti	I	10	2	1		100		slti \$1,\$2,100
sltu	R	0	2	3	1	0	43	sltu \$1,\$2,100
sltiu	I	11	2	1		100		sltiu \$1,\$2,100
j	J	2				2500		j 10000
jr	R	0	31	0	0	0	8	jr \$31
jal	J	3				2500		jal 10000

MIPS instruction formats

Name	Fields						Comments
	6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	6 bits	
Field size							All MIPS instructions 32 bits
R-format	op	rs	rt	rd	shamt	funct	Arithmetic instruction format
I-format	op	rs	rt			address/immediate	Transfer, branch, imm. format
J-format	op					target address	Jump instruction format

Main MIPS machine language. Formats and examples are shown, with values in each field: op and funct fields form the opcode (each 6 bits), rs field gives a source register (5 bits), rt is also normally a source register (5 bits), rd is the destination register (5 bits), and shamt supplies the shift amount (5 bits). The field values are all in decimal. Floating-point machine language instructions are shown in Figure 4.47 on page 291. Appendix A gives the full MIPS machine language.