

Unit 3. Assembly programming

Exercises

Exercise 1. Write a program, using the MIPS 32 assembly language, to calculate the sum of the first 100 numbers. The result must be stored in register \$v0.

Exercise 2. Modify the program of the exercise 1 in order to print the result.

Exercise 3. Write a program that reads two integer numbers A and B. The program must indicate if one of these numbers is multiple of the other one.

Exercise 4. Write a program, using the MIPS32 assembly language that reads a number N and prints the following:

```
1
1 2
1 2 3
1 2 3 4
.....
1 2 3 4 5 .... N
```

Exercise 5. What is the sequence of MIPS instructions that allow implementing the following sentence in C language? (a and b are int variables)

```
a = b + c + 100;
```

Exercise 6. Write a program that reads two numbers. The program must print what number is the largest.

Exercise 7. Write a program to read a number. The program must indicate if the number is odd or even.

Exercise 8. Write a function with three arguments. In register \$a0 receives the init address of a string, in register \$a1 receives the ASCII code of a char, and in register \$a2 receives the ASCII code of other char. The function must replace in the string any occurrence of the char stored in \$a1 by the char stored in register \$a2.

Exercise 9. Consider the following program. Write an equivalent program, using the MIPS 32 assembly language.

```
int array[1024];          // variable
global

int function1()
{
    int z;
    int i;

    for (i = 0; i < 1024; i++)
        array[i] = i;

    z = sum(1024);
    print_int(z);
}

int sum(int n)
{
    int s = 0;
    int i;

    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        s = s + vector[i];

    return s;
}
```

Exercise 10. Write a program, using the MIPS 32 assembly language, similar to the following program written in C.

```

void function1 ()
{
    int z;
    int array[1024]; // local variable

    for (i = 0; i < 1024; i++)
        array[i] = i;

    z = sum(array, 1024);
    print_int(z);
}

int sum(int array[], int n)
{
    int s = 0;
    int i;

    for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
        s = s + array[i];

    return s;
}

```

Exercise 11. Let be a 16 bit computer, with byte addressing and a set of 60 machine instructions. The computer has 8 registers. Show the instruction format for the following hypothetical instruction `ADDV R1, R2, M`, where R1 and R2 are registers, and M is memory address.

Exercise 12. A 32 bit computer with byte addressing, has 64 machine instructions, and 128 registers. Given the instruction `SWAPM addr1, addr2` that swaps the content of the memory address `addr1` and `addr2`.

- What is the memory space addressable by this computer?
- What is the instruction format?
- Write a program fragment, using the MIPS 32 assembly language, equivalent to the previous instruction.
- If the above instruction must occupy one word, what is the range of addresses that can be addressed by `addr1` and `addr2`?

Exercise 13. Given the following program:

```

.data:
    .align 2                # align next data to 2^2
    array: .space 1024     # space reserved for an array of integers of 32 bits

```

Reply:

- What is the number of components of the previous array?
- Which are the assembly instructions needed to execute the following high level sentence:
- `vector[8] = 30;`
- Write a program, using the MIPS 32 assembly language, which read a number and copy this number in all components of the above array.

Exercise 14. Given the following program.

```

.text
    .globl main
main:
    li    $a0, 5
    jal  function
    move $a0, $v0
    li    $v0, 1
    syscall

```

```

        li    $v0, 10
        syscall
function:
        move  $t0, $a0
        li    $t1, 0
loop :  beq   $t0, 0, end
        add   $t1, $t1, $t0
        sub   $t0, $t0, 1
        b     loop
end:    move  $v0, $t1
        jr   $ra

```

- What is the value printed by this program (first system call in the program).
- If register \$a0, used for argument passing, stores a value in one-complement, What is the range of numbers that can be stored in this register?

Exercise 15. Let be a function called `Vowels`. This function receives as parameter the init address of a string. The function calculates the number of “a” in the string. When the null string is passed, the function returns -1.

- Write, using the MIPS 32 assembly language, this function.
- What are the registers used to pass the argument and receive the result.
- Given the following program:

```

.data
string: .asciiz "Hello"
.text
        .globl main

main:

```

Include in the `main` function, the assembly instructions needed to invoke the `Vowels` function, and print the value returned by the function.

Exercise 16. Given the following program.

```

.text
        .globl main

main:
        li    $a0, 5
        jal   function
        move  $a0, $v0
        li    $v0, 1
        syscall

        li    $v0, 10
        syscall

function:
        li    $t0, 10
        bgt  $a0, $t0, et1
        li    $t0, 10
        add  $v0, $t0, $a0
        b    et2
et1:    li    $t0, 8
        add  $v0, $t0, $a0
et2:    jr   $ra

```

What is the value printed by this program?

Exercise 17. Given a function called `AddValue`, with three parameters:

- The first one is the init address of an array.
- The second one is an integer value, which represent the number of components of the array.
- The third one is an integer value.

This function modifies the array, adding the value passed in the third argument to all components of the array.

- What are the registers used to pass the arguments?
- Write the code of this function
- Given the following program:

```
.data
    v: .word    7, 8, 3, 4, 5, 6
.text
    .globl main

main:
```

Include in the main function, the assembly instructions needed to invoke the function `AddValue` implemented in b) in order to add the value 5 to all components of the array `v` defined in the previous data section. Then, the program must write all components of the array `v`.

Exercise 18. A 32-bit computer with memory addressed by bytes has 64 registers. We want to design the format for the instructions of this computer, assuming:

- The computer has 115 instructions.
- The execution model in register-register.
- The computer has the following types of instructions:
 - Instructions for transferring data between memory and registers. These instructions use two types of addressing modes: direct, and base-register addressing
 - Arithmetic and logic instructions.
 - Branch instructions. There are two types of instructions: unconditional to a memory address, and conditional branches. For conditional branches, the condition is expressed in a register, and the branch is indicated with PC-relative addressing.
- Design the format for the instructions of this computer, having into account that all instructions occupy one word.
- If the displacement used in the instructions with base-register addressing uses two-complement, what is the maximum value for these displacements?
- If the address used in the unconditional branch instructions use binary code (unsigned), what is the range of addresses for the branch?
- What is the model of this computer, RISC or CISC?

Exercise 19. A 16-bit computer has a memory addressed by bytes. The computer has 16 registers, and a set of 180 machine instructions. Among these instructions, we can find the following:

<code>LOADI</code>	<code>R, imm</code>	Load in register R the immediate value imm
<code>STORE</code>	<code>R, addr</code>	Store in memory (address addr), the value stored in register R
<code>ADDI</code>	<code>R1, R2, imm</code>	Add the value stored in R2 to imm, and store the result in R1
<code>ADD</code>	<code>R1, R2,</code>	Add R1 to R2, and the result is stored in R1
<code>BNEZ</code>	<code>R, addr</code>	If the content of R is 0, branch to addr

The addresses and immediate values are integers of 16 bits. Given the following assembly code fragment:

```
LOADI    R1, 0
LOADI    R2, 3
LOADI    R3, 1
```

```

ETI:  ADD      R1, R3
      ADDI     R3, R3, 2
      ADDI     R2, R2, -1
      BNEZ    R2, ETI
      STORE   R3, 500

```

Answer:

- Design a possible format for the previous instructions.
- If the above program is loaded in memory in the address 1000, how many words use this program? What is the content of these memory locations?
- What is the behavior of this program? What is the content of registers R1, R2, and R3, when finish the execution of this program?

Exercise 20. A 64-bit computer with a memory addressed by bytes and 256 registers, has 190 machine instructions. Consider the following instructions:

- LOAD *Reg*, *addr*, which stores the content of register *reg* in the memory address *addr*.
- STORE *Reg1*, (*Reg2*), which stores the content of register *Reg1* in the memory address stored in register *Reg2*.
- BEQZ *Reg1*, *addr*, if the content of register *Reg1* is zero, next instruction to execute is the instruction stored in *addr*.

Reply:

- Describes the addressing modes using in these instructions.
- Indicate a possible instruction format for these instructions, assuming that all instructions occupy one Word.
- What is the maximum value that can be encoded in LOAD and BEQZ instructions?

Exercise 21. Write a program to read three numbers (A, B, C) and implement the following high level code.

```

if (A == 2 && B == 3 || C != 4)
    imprimir (1);
else
    imiprimir (2);

```

Exercise 22. Translate to assembly the following functions.

```

int f (int v[], int k)
{
    int v1[100];
    int v2[100];
    int v3[100];
    int i;

    if ( k > 100)
        return -1;

    for (i = 0; i < k; i++)
    {
        v1[i] = i + 1;
        v2[i] = i + 2;
        v3[i] = i + 3;
    }
    for (i = 0; i < k; i++)
        v[i] = v1[i] + v2[i] + v3[i];

    return (v[0]);
}

```

Exercise 23. Translate to assembly the following functions:

```
int f (int k)
{
    int v[100];
    int i = 0;
    int s = 0;

    for (i = 0; i < k; i = i +2)
        v[i] = g(k + 2);

    for (i = 0; i < k; i = i + 2)
        s = s + v[i];

    return (s);
}

int g(int k)
{
    if (k % 2 == 0)
        return (k * k + 2);
    else
        return k * (-1);
}
```