ARM7TDMI Instruction Set Reference

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1 Instruction Encoding

1.1 ARM7TDMI – ARM Instructions

The ARM7TDMI uses a fixed-length, 32-bit instruction encoding scheme for all ARM instructions. The basic encoding for all ARM7TDMI instructions is shown below. Individual instruction descriptions and encodings are shown in section 4 of this document.

1.2 ARM7TDMI – THUMB Instructions

The ARM7TDMI uses a fixed-length, 16-bit instruction encoding scheme for all Thumb instructions. The Thumb instruction set is a subset of the ARM instruction set, and is intended to permit a higher code density (smaller memory requirement) than the ARM instruction set in many applications. The processor executes in Thumb mode when bit 5 of the CPSR is 1. Exception processing is always done in ARM mode; the processor automatically switches to ARM mode when entering an exception mode. Use of the Thumb instruction set will not be required in ECE 353/315, and so is not covered here.

2 Conditional Execution

2.1 Condition Field

All ARM7TDMI instructions can be executed conditionally, based on a 4-bit condition field in the instruction. The processor tests the state of the condition flags in the CPSR (N, Z, V, C), and if the condition flag state matches the condition, the instruction executes normally. If the condition flag state does not match the condition, the instruction is executed as a NOP (no operation).

2.2 Condition Codes

The condition codes and use are shown below. If the condition is omitted in instructions, the AL (always) condition is used to specify that the instruction should always execute.

3 Addressing, Operands and Directives

3.1 General Notes

In general, using R15 (PC) as the destination register is not appropriate for most instructions. Many instructions will have unpredictable behavior if R15 is the destination.

The ARM supports instruction set extensions by reserving certain bit combinations in the operand fields of otherwise valid instructions. The assembler will ensure that these bit combinations are not used, but these must be avoided when hand-coding instructions.

The notation SBZ means "should be zeros", SBO means "should be ones".

3.2 Shifter Operands

The shifter operand is represented by the least-significant 12 bits of the instruction. It can take one of eleven forms, as listed below. For illustration, each form has one or more examples based on the Compare instruction (CMP <Rn>, <shifter_operand>). For instructions that use shifter operands, the C flag update is dependent on the form of the operand used.

3.2.1 Immediate Operands

Immediate values are signified by a leading $#$ symbol. The operand is actually stored in the instruction as an 8-bit value with a 4-bit rotation code. The resultant value is the 8 bit value rotated right 0-30 bits (twice the rotation code amount), as illustrated below. Only values that can be represented in this form can be encoded as immediate operands.

The assembler will make substitutions of comparable instructions if it makes it possible to create the desired immediate operand. For example, CMP R0, #-1 is not a legal instruction since it is not possible to specify -1 (0xFFFFFFFF) as an immediate value, but it can be replaced by CMN R0, $#1$. If the rotate value is non-zero, the C flag is set to bit 31 of the immediate value, otherwise it is unchanged.

3.2.2 Register Operands

The register value is used directly. The C flag is unchanged. Note that this is actually a form of the Register Operand, Logical Shift Left by Immediate option (see below) with a 0-bit shift.

3.2.3 Register Operand, Logical Shift Left by Immediate

The register value is shifted left by an immediate value in the range 0-31. Note that a shift of zero is identical to the encoding for a register operand with no shift. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm unless the shift count is 0.

Syntax: $\langle Rm \rangle$, LSL # $\langle Lm|$ = $\langle Rm|$

Example: CMP R0, R1, LSL #7

Encoding:

3.2.4 Register Operand, Logical Shift Left by Register

The register value is shifted left by a value contained in a register. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm unless the value in Rs is 0.

Syntax: <Rm>, LSL <Rs> Example: CMP R0, R1, LSL R2 Encoding:

3.2.5 Register Operand, Logical Shift Right by Immediate

The register value is shifted right by an immediate value in the range 1-32. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm.

Syntax: <Rm>, LSR #<immediate> Example: CMP R0, R1, LSR #7 Encoding:

3.2.6 Register Operand, Logical Shift Right by Register

The register value is shifted right by a value contained in a register. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm unless the value in Rs is 0.

Syntax: <Rm>, LSR <Rs> Example: CMP R0, R1, LSR R2 Encoding: 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0 Rs $|0|0|1|1|$ Rm

3.2.7 Register Operand, Arithmetic Shift Right by Immediate

The register value is arithmetically shifted right by an immediate value in the range 1- 32. The arithmetic shift fills from the left with the sign bit, preserving the sign of the number. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm.

Syntax: $\langle Rm \rangle$, ASR # $\langle Lm|$ and ASR # $\langle Lm|$

Example: CMP R0, R1, ASR #7

Encoding:

3.2.8 Register Operand, Arithmetic Shift Right by Register

The register value is arithmetically shifted right by a value contained in a register. The arithmetic shift fills from the left with the sign bit, preserving the sign of the number. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm unless the value in Rs is 0.

3.2.9 Register Operand, Rotate Right by Immediate

The register value is rotated right by an immediate value in the range 1-31. [A rotate value of 0 in this instruction encoding will cause an RRX operation to be performed.] The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm.

Syntax: $\langle Rm \rangle$, ROR # $\langle Lm|$ - $\langle Rm|$ Example: CMP R0, R1, ROR #7 Encoding:

3.2.10 Register Operand, Rotate Right by Register

The register value is rotated right by a value contained in a register. The C flag will be updated with the last value shifted out of Rm unless the value in Rs is 0.

Syntax: $\langle Rm \rangle$, ROR $\langle Rs \rangle$

Example: CMP R0, R1, ROR R2 Encoding:

3.2.11 Register Operand, Rotate Right with Extend

The register value is rotated right by one bit through the C flag, i.e. $C \leftarrow Rm[0]$, $Rm[31] \leftarrow C$, $Rm[30] \leftarrow Rm[29]$, etc.

Syntax: <Rm>, RRX

Example: CMP R0, R1, RRX

Encoding:

3.3 Load/Store Register Addressing Modes

There are nine options that can be specified for the addressing mode, as listed below. All options include a base register. See the ARM Architecture Reference Manual section 5.2 for more detailed information.

Note that the ARM processor does not support a direct addressing mode for load/store operation. (Direct addressing is where the address is encoded in the instruction.) However, a label (i.e. a memory location name) can be specified as the memory address in a load/store instruction. In this case, the assembler will attempt to reach the label using the "base register with immediate offset" mode, using the PC as the base register and computing the required offset.

3.3.1 Base register with immediate offset

 $[Rn, #+/-<$ offset12>] memory address = $Rn +1$ - offset12 Rn is unchanged after instruction

3.3.2 Base register with register offset

 $[Rn, +/-$

memory_address = $Rn + 1$ - Rm Rn is unchanged after instruction

3.3.3 Base register with shifted register offset

[Rn, $+/-$ < Rm >, < shift > $#$ < shift immediate >] memory_address = $Rn +/-$ shifted_Rm (see below) Rn is unchanged after instruction

3.3.4 Base register with immediate offset, pre-indexed

 $[Rn, #+/-<$ offset12>]! memory address = $Rn +/-$ offset12 $Rn =$ memory address after instruction

3.3.5 Base register with register offset, pre-indexed

 $[Rn, +/-$]! memory address = $Rn + 1$ - Rm $Rn = memory_address$ after instruction

3.3.6 Base register with shifted register offset, pre-indexed

 $[Rn, +/-$, <shift> $\#$ <shift_immediate>]! memory address = $Rn +/-$ shifted Rm (see below) Rn = memory_address after instruction

3.3.7 Base register with immediate offset, post-indexed

 $[Rn], #+/-<$ offset12> memory_address = Rn $Rn = Rn + 1$ - offset 12 after instruction

3.3.8 Base register with register offset, post-indexed

 $[Rn], +/< Rm>$ memory address $=$ Rn $Rn = Rn +1$ - Rm after instruction

3.3.9 Base register with shifted register offset, post-indexed

 $[Rn]$, $+/- < Rm$, $-$ shift $>$ # $<$ shift_immediate $>$ memory address $=$ Rn $Rn = Rn + 1$ - shifted_Rm after instruction (see below)

The *shifted register offset* modes are specified in the same manner as other shifter operands, where the \langle shift \rangle # \langle shift immediate> fields can be one of the below.

3.4 Miscellaneous Load/Store Addressing Modes

These options apply only to the LDRSB, LDRH, LDRSH, STRH instructions. There are six options that can be specified for the addressing mode, as listed below. All options include a base register. See the ARM Architecture Reference manual section 5.3 for more detailed information.

Note that the ARM processor does not support a direct addressing mode for load/store operation. (Direct addressing is where the address is encoded in the instruction.) However, a label (i.e. a memory location name) can be specified as the memory address. In this case, the assembler will attempt to reach the label using the base register with immediate offset mode, using the PC as the base register and computing the required offset.

3.4.1 Base register with immediate offset

 $[Rn, #+/-_{of} fset8>$ memory address = $Rn + 1$ - offset8 Rn is unchanged after instruction

3.4.2 Base register with register offset

 $[Rn, +/$ memory address = $Rn +1$ - Rm Rn is unchanged after instruction

3.4.3 Base register with immediate offset, pre-indexed

 $[Rn, # +/- <$ offset8>]! memory_address = $Rn +/-$ offset8 $Rn =$ memory address after instruction

3.4.4 Base register with register offset, pre-indexed

 $[Rn, +/-$]! memory_address = $Rn + 1$ - Rm Rn = memory_address after instruction

3.4.5 Base register with immediate offset, post-indexed

 $[Rn], #+/-<$ offset8> memory $address = Rn$ $Rn = Rn + 1$ - offset8 after instruction

3.4.6 Base register with register offset, post-indexed

 $[Rn], +/-< Rm>$

memory_address = Rn $Rn = Rn +1$ - Rm after instruction

3.5 Memory Allocation and Operand Alignment

This section presents an abridged list of the most commonly used assembler directives. Full documentation is available in the ARM Assembler manuals.

3.5.1 Literals

Literal substitutions are indicated with the EQU directives.

Syntax: name EQU expr {,type}

Description: The EQU directive informs the assembler to perform a literal substitution whenever it encounters *name* in the source file, replacing it with *expr*. The expression can be a numeric constant, a relative address, or an absolute address. If an absolute address is specified, then the type field can be one of ARM, THUMB, CODE16, CODE32, or DATA. (Note that only ARM or DATA are applicable to code written in ECE 353/315.)

3.5.2 Numeric Expressions

Numeric values can be expressed in a number of ways. The most common are; Decimal – assumed if not otherwise qualified (i.e. 12345)

Hexadecimal – signified by a leading 0x (i.e. 0x12A3) or a leading & (i.e. &12A3) Arbitrary radix – an arbitrary number base between 2 and 9 can be specified in the form *base_value* (i.e. 2_10110110 represents the binary number 10110110). Character constants – signified by a character in single quotes (i.e. 'A')

3.5.3 String Expressions

String expressions are indicated by double quotes (i.e. "this is a string!"). To include a double quote or dollar sign in the string, use two of the character in sequence (i.e. "dollar sign = $$$ ". C string escape sequences are also supported (i.e. \n for a newline character).

3.5.4 Memory Allocation Directives

ALIGN – Align Syntax: ALIGN Description: ALIGN with no arguments causes that location to be aligned on an instruction (4-byte) boundary.

DCB – Allocate Byte

Syntax: {label} DCB expr {, expr}

Description: DCB allocates bytes of memory, and initializes them to the values given. The *expr* fields can either be numeric constants and/or a quoted string. If DCB is followed by a label that is a branch target, use the ALIGN directive to ensure that the label is properly aligned.

DCD/DCDU – Allocate Words

Syntax: {label} DCD expr {, expr}

Description: DCD allocates words of memory, padding as necessary to ensure wordalignment, and initializes them to the values given. The expr fields can either be

numeric constants or program-relative expressions (i.e. labels). DCDU allocates without ensuring alignment. If DCDU is followed by a label that is a branch target, use the ALIGN directive to ensure that the label is properly aligned.

DCW/DCWU – Allocate Halfwords

Syntax: {label} DCW expr {, expr}

Description: DCW allocates halfwords of memory, padding as necessary to ensure halfword-alignment, and initializes them to the values given. The expr fields must be numeric constants in the range -32678 to +65535. DCWU allocates without ensuring alignment. If DCW/DCWU is followed by a label that is a branch target, use the ALIGN directive to ensure that the label is properly aligned.

SPACE – Allocate Memory Space

Syntax: {label} SPACE number_of_bytes

Description: SPACE allocates the given number of zero-initialized bytes. If SPACE is followed by a label that is a branch target, use the ALIGN directive to ensure that the label is properly aligned.

3.5.5 Operand Alignment

In general, all memory accesses by the ARM7TDMI must be aligned. For a word (4 byte) access, the target must be aligned on a 4-byte boundary. Halfwords must be aligned on a 2-byte boundary.

3.6 Miscellaneous Assembler Directives

3.6.1 AREA – Area Directive

Syntax: AREA {section_name} {attr} {,attr}…

Description: The AREA directive establishes indivisible memory regions that are manipulated by the linker. Key attribute fields include CODE (area includes only instructions), DATA (area includes only data), READONLY (the default for CODE areas), READWRITE (the default for DATA areas), NOINIT (must only contain uninitialized data or data initialized to 0, the linker settings determine if initialization is actually done.) When linking for the ADuC7026, the default behavior of the linker will place CODE areas into flash memory and DATA areas into SRAM.

3.6.2 ARM – Use ARM Encoding

Syntax: ARM Description: Informs the assembler to assemble instructions for ARM execution. CODE32 is a synonym for ARM.

3.6.3 END – End of File

Syntax: END

Description: Informs the assembler that the end of the source file has been reached. Every assembly language file must have an END directive.

3.6.4 ENTRY – Code Entry Point

Syntax: ENTRY

Description: The ENTRY directive indicates the point in the code where program execution should begin. There should be only ONE entry point per complete program. Note that in developing the software for an embedded system, execution will begin at the reset vector, so the code entry point will be determined by what code is linked at that address and the ENTRY directive is not used.

3.6.5 EXPORT – Export

Syntax: EXPORT symbol

Description: Instructs the assembler to include the symbol description in the output file so that it can be used by the linker to resolve external references.

3.6.6 EXTERN – External Symbol

Syntax: EXTERN symbol

Description: Informs the assembler that the symbol is defined in another source file. If no reference is made to the symbol, it is not imported into the file.

3.6.7 GLOBAL – Global

Synonym for EXPORT.

3.6.8 INCLUDE – Include File

Syntax: INCLUDE filename

Description: The listed file is read in by the assembler as though it were part of the source file before it proceeds to the next line in the source file. INCLUDEs can be nested.

3.6.9 IMPORT – Import

Syntax: IMPORT symbol

Description: Informs the assembler that the symbol is defined in another source file. The symbol is imported whether it is referenced in the file or not.

3.6.10 KEEP – Keep Local Symbols

Syntax: KEEP {symbol}

Description: Forces the assembler to describe the symbol in its output file, so it will be visible to the debugger. If symbol is blank, all local symbols are preserved. By default, the ARM assembler only preserves symbols in the output file if they are EXPORTed or require relocation.

4 Instruction Descriptions

4.1 General Information

A number of ARM7TDMI instructions will not be used in conjunction with the ADuC7026 processor used in ECE 353 and ECE 315. These instructions are listed below, and do not have detailed information in this section. Further information on these instructions can be obtained from the ARM Architecture Reference Manual.

4.2 ADC – Add with Carry

Syntax: ADC{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn + shifter_operand + C$

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The ADC instruction is used to implement efficient multiword addition. For example, if 64-bit numbers are stored in R1:0 and R3:2, their sum can be stored in R5:4 as shown below.

4.3 ADD - Add

Syntax: ADD{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn + shifter_operand$

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

ADD RO, RO, RO, ASR $#2$; multiply RO by 1.25

ADDS R0, R0, #1 ;increments R0, updates flags

4.4 AND – Bit-wise AND

Syntax: AND{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn$ AND shifter_operand

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

AND R0, R0, #0x8000 ;mask bit D15 of R0

4.5 B, BL – Branch, Branch and Link

Syntax: B{<cond>} <target_address>, BL{<cond>} <target_address>

RTL:

if(cond) $if(L == 1)$ $R14 \leftarrow$ address of next instruction PC \leftarrow PC + (signed_immediate_24 << 2)

Flags updated:

None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The B/BL instructions are used to branch to a target address, based on an optional condition. The BL instruction supports subroutine calls by storing the next instruction's address in R14, the link register. (The assembler defines LR as a pseudonym for R14.) Since the offset value is a signed 24-bit value, the branch target must be within approximately +/-32MB.

To return from a subroutine after using BL to call it, the preferred method is to use BX LR. If the subroutine used the STM instruction to store a group of registers and the return address on the stack (i.e. STMFD R13!, {R0-R5, LR}), then the return should be executed in the complementary fashion by placing the saved link register value into the PC (i.e. LDMFD R13!, {R0-R5, PC}).

4.6 BIC – Bit Clear

Syntax: BIC{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn$ AND NOT shifter_operand

Flags updated if S used: N_z

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

BIC RO, RO, #0x8000 ;clears bit D15 of RO

4.7 BX – Branch and Exchange

Syntax: $BX\{-cond>\}$ <Rm>

RTL:

if(cond) T flag \leftarrow Rm[0] $PC \leftarrow$ Rm & 0xFFFFFFFF

Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The BX instruction is used to branch to a target address stored in a register, based on an optional condition. If bit 0 of the register is set to 1, then the processor will switch to Thumb execution. (Bit 0 is forced to 0 in before the branch address is stored in the PC.) The sample code below shows a call to a Thumb subroutine.

4.8 CMN – Compare Negative

Syntax: CMN{<cond>} <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

Rn + shifter_operand

Flags updated: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The CMN instruction performs an addition of the operands (equivalent to a subtraction of the negative), but does not store the result. The flags are always updated.

CMP RO, $\#1$; Z=1 if RO=-1, N=1 if RO<-1

4.9 CMP - Compare

Syntax: CMP{<cond>} <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL: if(cond) Rn - shifter_operand

Flags updated: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The CMP instruction performs a subtraction, but does not store the result. The flags are always updated.

CMP RO, $\#1$; Z=1 if RO=1, N=0 if RO>1

4.10 EOR – Bit-wise Exclusive-OR

Syntax: EOR{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn$ XOR shifter_operand

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

EOR RO, RO , $#0x8000$; toggle bit D15 of RO

4.11 LDM – Load Multiple

There are three distinct variants of the LDM instruction. Two of them are for use in conjunction with exception processing, and are not described here. Further information can be obtained in the ARM Architecture Reference Manual. Syntax:

LDM{<cond>}<addressing_mode>, <Rn>{!}, <registers>

RTL:

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if(cond) 
       start_address \leftarrow Rn
       for i = 0 to 14
               if(register_list[i] == 1)\mathsf{R}i \leftarrow memory[next_address]
       if(register_list[15] == 1)PC ← memory[next_address] & 0xFFFFFFFC
        if(writeback) 
               Rn \leftarrow end\_addressFlags updated:
```
None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The LDM instruction permits block moves of memory to the registers and enables efficient stack operations. The registers may be listed in any order, but the registers are always loaded in order with the lowest numbered register getting the value form the lowest memory address. If Rn is also listed in the register list and register writeback (W bit) is set, the final value in Rn is unpredictable.

The addressing mode field determines how *next address* is calculated (bits P & W), which control how the address is updated in conjunction with each register load. The four addressing_mode values are;

- IA increment address by 4 after each load (post-increment)
- IB increment address by 4 before each load (pre-increment)
- DA decrement address by 4 after each load (post-decrement)
- DB decrement address by 4 before each load (pre-decrement)

The "!" following Rn controls the value of the writeback bit (bit W), and signifies that Rn should be updated with the ending address at the end of the instruction. If the "!" is not present (W=0), the value of Rn will be unchanged at the end of the instruction.

For use in conjunction with stack addressing, four alternative names can be used for the addressing modes. These names are based on the type of stack being used instead of the addressing mode being used. This eliminates confusion in coding stack push and pop operations, since the type of stack will be the same for both the LDM and STM instructions. In ARM syntax, a full stack is one where the stack pointer points to the last used (full) location. An empty stack is one where the stack pointer points to the next available (empty) stack location. As well, a stack can grow through increasing memory addresses (ascending), or downward through decreasing memory addresses (descending). The table below summarizes the stack addressing modes.

The instructions below demonstrate a push operation followed by a pop operation assuming an empty-ascending stack. Note that by including the link register (R14) in the push operation, and the PC in the pop operation, a subroutine will return to the caller as part of the context save/restore.

4.12 LDR – Load Register

Syntax:

 LDR {<cond>} <Rd>, <addressing_mode>

RTL:

if(cond) $Rd \leftarrow$ memory[memory_address] if(writeback) $Rn \leftarrow end_address$ Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The LDR instruction reads a word from memory and writes it to the destination register. See the section *Load/Store Register Addressing Modes* for a description of the available addressing modes.

LDR $RO, [R1]$;R0 = memory[R1]

If the memory address is not word-aligned, the value read is rotated right by 8 times the value of bits [1:0] of the memory address. If R15 is specified as the destination, the value is loaded from memory and written to the PC, effecting a branch.

4.13 LDRB – Load Register Byte

Syntax:

LDRB{<cond>} <Rd>, <addressing_mode>

RTL:

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if(cond) 
        Rd[7:0] \leftarrow memory[memory_address], Rd[31:8] \leftarrow 0 if(writeback) 
                Rn \leftarrow end\_addressFlags updated:
```
None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The LDRB instruction reads a byte from memory and zero-extends it into the destination register. See the section *Load/Store Register Addressing Modes* for a description of the available addressing modes.

LDRB $RO, [R1]$;R0 = memory[R1] (zero-extended)

4.14 LDRH – Load Register Halfword

Syntax: LDRH{<cond>} <Rd>, <addressing_mode>

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RTL: 
if(cond) 
        Rd[15:0] \leftarrow memory[memory_address], Rd[31:16] \leftarrow 0 if(writeback) 
               Rn \leftarrow end address
Flags updated:
```
None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The LDRH instruction reads a halfword from memory, and zero-extends it to 32-bits in the register. See the section Miscellaneous Load/Store Addressing Modes for a description of the available addressing modes.

LDRH R0, $[R1]$;R0 = zero-extended memory $[R1]$

4.15 LDRSB – Load Register Signed Byte

Syntax:

 $LDRSB{ < cond>} < Rd>$, $< addresing_model>$

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd[7:0] \leftarrow$ memory[memory_address] $Rd[31:8] \leftarrow Rd[7]$ (sign-extension) if(writeback) $Rn \leftarrow end$ address Flags updated:

None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The LDRSB instruction reads a byte from memory, and sign-extends it to 32-bits in the register. See the section Miscellaneous Load/Store Addressing Modes for a description of the available addressing modes.

4.16 LDRSH – Load Register Signed Halfword

Syntax: LDRSH{<cond>} <Rd>, <addressing_mode>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd[15:0] \leftarrow$ memory[memory_address], $Rd[31:16] \leftarrow Rd[15]$ (sign-extension) if(writeback)

 $Rn \leftarrow end$ address

Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The LDRSH instruction reads a halfword from memory, and sign-extends it to 32-bits in the register. See the section Miscellaneous Load/Store Addressing Modes for a description of the available addressing modes.

LDRSH RO, $[R1]$;RO = sign-extended memory $[R1]$

4.17 MLA – Multiply-Accumulate

Syntax: MLA $\{<$ cond $>$ $\{S\}$ <Rd $>$, <Rm $>$, <Rs $>$, <Rn $>$

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn + (Rs \cdot Rm)$

Flags updated if S used: N, Z (C is unpredictable)

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

MLA performs a 32x32 multiply operation, then stores the sum of Rn and the 32-bit multiplication result to Rd. Since only the least significant 32-bits of the multiplication are used, the result is the same for signed and unsigned numbers.

The instruction below adds the product of R1 and R2 to R0.

MLA RO, R1, R2, R0

4.18 MOV – Move

Syntax: MOV{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow shifter$ operand if(S==1 and Rd==R15) $CPSR \leftarrow SPSR$

Flags updated if S used and Rd is not R15 (PC): N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

MOV performs a move to a register from another register or an immediate value.

MOV R1, R0, LSL #2 ;R1 <- R0 * 4

MOV R1, $\#1$;R1 <- 0x0000001

If the S bit is set and the destination is R15 (the PC), the SPSR is also copied to CPSR. This form of the instruction used to return from an exception mode.

4.19 MRS – Move PSR into General-Purpose Register

Syntax: $MRS\{ < \text{cond} \} < Rd$ >, CPSR $MRS\{\}$ <Rd >, SPSR

RTL: if(cond) $Rd \leftarrow CPSR/SPSR$

Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

Moves the value of CPSR or the current SPSR into a general-purpose register.

MRS RO, CPSR

4.20 MSR – Move to Status Register from ARM Register

Syntax: MSR{<cond>} CPSR_<fields>, #<immediate> MSR{<cond>} CPSR_<fields>, <Rm> MSR{<cond>} SPSR_<fields>, #<immediate> MSR{<cond>} SPSR_<fields>, <Rm>

RTL: if(cond)

 $CPSR/SPSR \leftarrow \text{immediate/register value}$

Flags updated: N/A

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

Moves the value of a register or immediate operand into the CPSR or the current SPSR. This instruction is typically used by supervisory mode code. Further details on this instruction can be found in the ARM Architecture Reference Manual.

The <fields> indicate which fields of the CPSR/SPSR be written to should be allowed to be changed. This limits any changes just to the fields intended by the programmer. The allowed fields are;

c sets the control field mask bit (bit 16)

x sets the extension field mask bit (bit 17)

s sets the status field mask bit (bit 18)

f sets the flags field mask bit (bit 19)

One or more fields may be specified.

4.21 MUL – Multiply

Syntax: MUL{<cond>} $\{S\}$ <Rd >, <Rm>, <Rs>

RTL:

if(cond) $Rd \leftarrow Rs \cdot Rm$

Flags updated if S used: N, Z (C is unpredictable)

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

MUL performs a 32x32 multiply operation, and stores a 32-bit result. Since only the least significant 32-bits are stored, the result is the same for signed and unsigned numbers.

The instruction below stores the product of R1 and R2 to R0.

MUL RO, R1, R2

4.22 MVN – Move Negative

Syntax: MVN{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond) $Rd \leftarrow NOT$ shifter_operand $if(S=-1 \text{ and } Rd=-R15)$ $CPSR \leftarrow SPSR$

Flags updated if S used and Rd is not R15 (PC): N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

MVN complements the value of a register or an immediate value and stores it in the destination register.

If the S bit is set and the destination is R15 (the PC), the SPSR is also copied to CPSR. This form of the instruction used to return from an exception mode.

4.23 ORR – Bit-wise Inclusive-OR

Syntax: ORR{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn$ OR shifter_operand

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

```
 OR R0, R0, #0x8000 ;sets bit D15 of R0
```
4.24 RSB – Reverse Subtract

Syntax: RSB{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow$ shifter_operand - Rn

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

RSB R0, R0, #0 ;negate R0 (2's complement)

RSB RO, RO, RO, LSL $#3$; multiply RO by 7

Note that the carry flag (C) is the complement of a borrow flag. If a borrow is required by the operation, C will be set to 0.

4.25 RSC – Reverse Subtract with Carry

Syntax: $RSC\{<$ cond $>$ } $\{S\}$ <Rd $>$, <Rn $>$, <shifter_operand $>$

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow$ shifter_operand – Rn – NOT C

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

If a 64-bit number is stored in R1:0, it can be negated (2's complement) as shown below.

RSCS RO, RO, #0 ;negate least significant word RSC R1, R1, #0 ;negate most significant words minus borrow Note that the carry flag (C) is the complement of a borrow flag. If a borrow is required by the operation, C will be set to 0.

4.26 SBC – Subtract with Carry

Syntax: SBC{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn$ - shifter_operand – NOT C

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The SUB instruction is used to implement efficient multiword subtraction. For example, if 64-bit numbers are stored in R1:0 and R3:2, their difference can be stored in R5:4 as shown below.

SUBS R4, R2, R0 ;subtract least significant words

SUB R5, R3, R1 ;subtract most significant words minus borrow Note that the carry flag (C) is the complement of a borrow flag. If a borrow is required by the operation, C will be set to 0.

4.27 SMLAL – Signed Multiply-Accumulate Long

Syntax: $SMLAL{<}cond>}$ {S} <Rd_LSW>, <Rd_MSW>, <Rm>, <Rs>

RTL:

if(cond)

Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW \leftarrow Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW + (Rs • Rm)

Flags updated if S used:

N, Z (V, C are unpredictable)

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

SMLAL performs a signed 32x32 multiply operation with a 64-bit accumulation. The product of Rm and Rs is added to the 64-bit signed value contained in the register pair Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW. All values are interpreted as 2's-complement.

The instruction below adds the product of R2 and R3 to the 64-bit number stored in R1:0.

SMLAL RO, R1, R2, R3

4.28 SMULL – Signed Multiply Long

Syntax: SMULL{<cond>}{S} <Rd_LSW>, <Rd_MSW>, <Rm>, <Rs>

RTL:

if(cond)

 Rd _MSW:Rd_LSW \leftarrow Rs • Rm

Flags updated if S used:

N, Z (V, C are unpredictable)

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

SMULL performs a signed 32x32 multiply operation. The product of Rm and Rs is stored as a 64-bit signed value in the register pair Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW. All values are interpreted as 2's-complement.

The instruction below stores the product of R2 and R3 as a 64-bit number in R1:0.

SMULL R0, R1, R2, R3

4.29 STM – Store Multiple

There are two distinct variants of the STM instruction. One of them is for use in conjunction with exception processing, and is not described here. Further information can be obtained in the ARM Architecture Reference Manual. Syntax:

STM{<cond>}<addressing_mode>, <Rn>{!}, <registers>

RTL:

if(cond)

start_address \leftarrow Rn for $i = 0$ to 15 if(register_list[i] $== 1$) memory[next_address] \leftarrow Ri if(writeback) $Rn \leftarrow end$ address

Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The STM instruction permits block moves of registers to memory and enables efficient stack operations. The registers may be listed in any order, but the registers are always stored in order with the lowest numbered register going to the lowest memory address. If Rn is also listed in the register list and register writeback (W bit) is set, the final value stored for Rn can be unpredictable.

The addressing_mode field determines how *next_address* is calculated (bits P & W), which control how the address is updated in conjunction with each register store. The four addressing_mode values are;

- IA increment address by 4 after each load (post-increment)
- IB increment address by 4 before each load (pre-increment)
- DA decrement address by 4 after each load (post-decrement)
- DB decrement address by 4 before each load (pre-decrement)

The "!" following Rn controls the value of the writeback bit (bit W), and signifies that Rn should be updated with the ending address at the end of the instruction. If the "!" is not present (W=0), the value of Rn will be unchanged at the end of the instruction.

For use in conjunction with stack addressing, four alternative names can be used for the addressing modes. See the LDM instruction for a detailed discussion and example of usage.

4.30 STR – Store Register

Syntax:

 $STR{<}$ cond $>$ } <Rd $>$, <addressing_mode $>$

RTL:

if(cond)

memory[memory_address] \leftarrow Rd if(writeback) $Rn \leftarrow end_address$

Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The STR instruction stores a single register to memory. See the section *Load/Store* Register Addressing Modes for a description of the available addressing modes.

4.31 STRB – Store Register Byte

Syntax:

STRB{<cond>} <Rd>, <addressing_mode>

RTL: if(cond) memory[memory_address] \leftarrow Rd[7:0] if(writeback) $Rn \leftarrow end_address$ Flags updated:

None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The STRB instruction stores the least significant byte of a register to memory. See the section Load/Store Register Addressing Modes for a description of the available addressing modes.

```
STRB RO, [R1, #4]! ; memory[R1+4] = R0, R1 = R1+4
```
4.32 STRH – Store Register Halfword

Syntax: STRH{<cond>} <Rd>, <addressing_mode>

RTL: if(cond) memory[memory_address] \leftarrow Rd[15:0] if(writeback) $Rn \leftarrow end$ address Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The STRH instruction stores the least significant halfword (2 bytes) of a register to memory. See the section Miscellaneous Load/Store Addressing Modes for a description of the available addressing modes.

4.33 SUB - Subtract

Syntax: SUB{<cond>}{S} <Rd>, <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd \leftarrow Rn$ - shifter_operand

Flags updated if S used: N, Z, V, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

SUBS R0, R0, #1 ;decrements R0, updates flags

SUB RO, RO, RO, ASR $#2$; multiply RO by 0.75

Note that the carry flag (C) is the complement of a borrow flag. If a borrow is required by the operation, C will be set to 0.

4.34 SWI – Software Interrupt

Syntax: SWI{<cond>} <immediate_24>

RTL:

if(cond)

R14_svc \leftarrow address of next instruction after SWI instruction SPSR_svc ← CPSR ; save current CPSR $CPSR[4:0] \leftarrow 10011b$; supervisor mode $CPSR[5] \leftarrow 0$; ARM execution
 $CPSR[7] \leftarrow 1$; disable interrup ; disable interrupts $PC \leftarrow 0x00000008$; jump to exception vector

Flags updated: N/A

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The SWI instruction causes a SWI exception. The processor disables interrupts, switches to ARM execution if previously in Thumb, and enters supervisory mode. Execution starts at the SWI exception address.

The 24-bit immediate value is ignored by the instruction, but the value in the instruction can be determined by the exception handler if desired. Parameters can also be passed to the SWI handler in general-purpose registers or memory locations.

4.35 SWP - Swap

Syntax: $SWP\{<\text{cond}> \} < Rd>$, $< Rm>$, $[<\text{Rn}>]$

```
RTL: 
if(cond) 
         temp \leftarrow [Rn]
         [Rn] \leftarrow RmRd \leftarrow temp
```
Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The SWP instruction exchanges a word between a register and memory. This instruction is intended to support semaphore manipulation by completing the transfers as a single, atomic operation.

4.36 SWPB – Swap Byte

Syntax: $SWPB{ < cond>} < Rd> , < Rm> , [< Rn>]$

RTL:

if(cond)

temp \leftarrow [Rn] $[Rn] \leftarrow Rm$ $Rd \leftarrow temp$

Flags updated: None

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The SWPB instruction exchanges a single byte between a register and memory. This instruction is intended to support semaphore manipulation by completing the transfers as a single, atomic operation.

4.37 TEQ – Test Equivalence

Syntax:

 $TEQ{ }$ $\langle Rn \rangle$, \langle shifter_operand \rangle

RTL:

if(cond)

Rn XOR shifter_operand

Flags updated: N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The TEQ instruction performs a non-destructive bit-wise XOR (the result is not stored). The flags are always updated. The most common use for this instruction is to determine if two operands are equal without affecting the V flag. It can also be use to tell if two values have the same sign, since the N flag will be the logical XOR of the two sign bits.

4.38 TST - Test

Syntax: TST{<cond>} <Rn>, <shifter_operand>

RTL:

if(cond)

Rn AND shifter_operand

Flags updated: N, Z, C

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

The TST instruction performs a non-destructive AND (the result is not stored). The flags are always updated. The most common use for this instruction is to determine the value of an individual bit of a register.

TST RO, $\#0x8000$; sets Z = the complement of RO[15]

4.39 UMLAL – Unsigned Multiply-Accumulate Long

Syntax:

UMLAL $\{<$ cond $>$ $\{S\}$ <Rd_LSW $>$, <Rd_MSW $>$, <Rm $>$, <Rs $>$

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW \leftarrow Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW + (Rs \cdot Rm)$

Flags updated if S used:

N, Z (V, C are unpredictable)

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

UMLAL performs an unsigned 32x32 multiply operation with a 64-bit accumulation. The product of Rm and Rs is added to the 64-bit unsigned value contained in the register pair Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW. All values are interpreted as unsigned binary.

The instruction below adds the product of R2 and R3 to the 64-bit number stored in R1:0.

UMLAL R0, R1, R2, R3

4.40 UMULL – Unsigned Multiply Long

Syntax: UMULL{<cond>}{S} <Rd_LSW>, <Rd_MSW>, <Rm>, <Rs>

RTL:

if(cond)

 $Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW \leftarrow Rs \cdot Rm$

Flags updated if S used:

N, Z (V, C are unpredictable)

Encoding:

Usage and Examples:

UMULL performs an unsigned 32x32 multiply operation. The product of Rm and Rs is stored as a 64-bit unsigned value in the register pair Rd_MSW:Rd_LSW. All values are interpreted as unsigned binary.

The instruction below stores the product of R2 and R3 as a 64-bit number in R1:0. UMULL R0, R1, R2, R3

5 Pseudo-Instructions

5.1 ADR – Load Address (short-range)

Syntax: $ADR{cond} < Rd$, $<$ label >

Description:

The ADR pseudo-instruction assembles to a single ADD or SUB instruction, normally with the PC as an operand. This produces position-independent code. The assembler will report an error if it cannot create a valid instruction to load the address. If the label is program-relative, it must be in the same assembler area as the ADR instruction. (The ADRL pseudo-instruction can reach a wider address range.)

5.2 ADRL – Load Address (medium-range)

Syntax: ADRL{cond} <Rd>, <label>

Description:

The ADRL pseudo-instruction will always generate a two-instruction sequence to load the address of the given label into the destination register, giving it a wider target range than the ADR instruction. The code is position-independent. The assembler will report an error if it cannot create a valid instruction sequence. (The LDR pseudoinstruction with a label argument can reach any address.)

5.3 ASR – Arithmetic Shift Right

Syntax: $ASR{cond}{S} > Rd > Rm > Rs$ ASR{cond}{S} <Rd>, <Rm>, <#shift_count>

Description:

ASR is a synonym for the MOV instruction with an ASR-shifted register operand. If an immediate shift count is used, it is limited to the range 1-32. If Rm is not included, the assembler will assume it is the same as Rd.

ASR R0, R1 is equivalent to MOV R0, R0, ASR R1 ASR R0, R1, R2 is equivalent to MOV R0, R1, ASR R2

5.4 LDR – Load Register

Syntax: $LDR{cond}$ < Rd >, = < expression > $LDR{cond}$ <Rd>, =<label-expression>

Description:

The LDR pseudo-instruction will generate an instruction to load the destination register with the desired value.

The <expression> field must evaluate to a numeric constant. If the constant is an allowable immediate expression (or the complement of one), a MOV or MVN instruction will be generated. If it is not, the assembler will place the value in a memory location, and generate a PC-relative load instruction to load it from that memory location. If a label is specified, the assembler will generate a local memory location to store the label address, and include the appropriate linker directives so that the correct address will be in that location after linking.

5.5 LSL – Logical Shift Left

Syntax:

LSL{cond}{S} <Rd>, <Rm>, <Rs> LSL{cond}{S} <Rd>, <Rm>, <#shift_count>

Description:

LSL is a synonym for the MOV instruction with an LSL shifter operand. If an immediate shift count is used, it is limited to the range 0-31. If Rm is not included, the assembler will assume it is the same as Rd.

LSL R0, R1 is equivalent to MOV R0, R0, LSL R1 LSL R0, R1, R2 is equivalent to MOV R0, R1, LSL R2

5.6 LSR – Logical Shift Right

Syntax: $LSR{cond}{S} < Rd$, $< Rm$, $< Rs$ $LSR{cond}{S} > Rd$, Rm , $<#shift_count$

Description:

LSR is a synonym for the MOV instruction with an LSR shifter operand. If an immediate shift count is used, it is limited to the range 1-32. If Rm is not included, the assembler will assume it is the same as Rd.

LSR R0, R1 is equivalent to MOV R0, R0, LSR R1 LSR R0, R1, R2 is equivalent to MOV R0, R1, LSR R2

5.7 NOP – No Operation

Syntax: NOP

Description:

There are numerous ways to encode a NOP (no operation) instruction for the ARM7TDMI processor, such as adding 0 to a register, ORing a register with 0, branching to the next instruction, etc. The actual encoding of the NOP is assemblerdependent.

5.8 POP - Pop

Syntax: POP{cond} reg_list

Description:

POP is a pseudonym for the LDMIA instruction, with R13! specified for the base register (Rn). The PUSH/POP instructions assume a full-descending (FD) stack organization.

5.9 PUSH - Push

Syntax: PUSH{cond} reg_list

Description:

PUSH is a pseudonym for the STMDB instruction, with R13! specified for the base register (Rn). The PUSH/POP instructions assume a full-descending (FD) stack organization.

5.10 ROR – Rotate Right

Syntax: $ROR{cond}{S}$ <Rd>, <Rm>, <Rs> $ROR{cond}{S}$ <Rd>, <Rm>, <#shift_count> Description: ROR is a synonym for the MOV instruction with an ROR shifter operand. If an immediate shift count is used, it is limited to the range 1-31. If Rm is not included, the assembler will assume it is the same as Rd.

ROR R0, R1 is equivalent to MOV R0, R0, ROR R1 ROR R0, R1, R2 is equivalent to MOV R0, R1, ROR R2

5.11 RRX – Rotate Right with Extend

Syntax: $RRX\{cond\}\{S\}$ <Rd>, <Rm> Description:

RRX is a synonym for the MOV instruction with an RRX shifter operand. If Rm is not included, the assembler will assume it is the same as Rd.

RRX R0 is equivalent to MOV R0, R0, RRX RRX R0, R1 is equivalent to MOV R0, R1, RRX