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Introduction

The RSP (Reality Signal Processor) is a powerful processor which is part of the RCP (Reality Co-Processor), the heart of the Nintendo Ultra64.

The RSP operates in parallel with the host CPU (MIPS R4300i) and dedicated graphics hardware on the RCP. Software running on the RSP (microcode) implements the graphics geometry pipeline (transformations, clipping, lighting, etc.) and audio processing (wavetable synthesis, sampled sound, etc.).

The RSP acts as a slave processor to the host CPU, and as such, programming the RSP requires a conspiracy of RSP microcode, R4300 interfaces, and mastery of the features of the RCP. This document addresses the first two of these necessary skills; details of the RDP (Reality Display Processor) component of the RCP can be found elsewhere.

Document Description

What It Is

The goal of this document is to enable RSP microcode software development:

- Explain architectural details of the RSP.
- Explain relevant architectural details of other parts of the RCP.
- Describe the RSP from a microcode programmer's point-of-view.
- Describe the RSP (and interfaces) from the host CPU's point-of-view.
- Explain the RSP microcode assembly language.
- Explain the RSP software development environment.

What It Is Not

In order to present material at a sufficient level of detail without clutter, allowing the programmer to “see the forest *and* the trees”, so to speak, we have adopted several specific non-goals of this document:

- Basic assembly language programming concepts are not discussed. The reader is assumed to have a thorough technical background.
- Basic concepts of vector processing architectures are not discussed, however some specific issues relating to the RSP are discussed briefly. A good reference for computer architecture which discusses RISC processors and SIMD (vector) architectures is “*Computer Organization and Design, The Hardware/Software Interface*”¹, by Patterson and Hennessy.
- Details of the MIPS Microprocessor Instruction Set Architecture (ISA) are not presented. The design of the RSP instruction set

¹ Patterson, D., Hennessy, J., “*Computer Organization and Design, The Hardware/Software Interface*”, Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 1994, ISBN 1-55860-281-X.

borrowed much from the R4000 ISA; the reader is referred to the “*MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User’s Manual*”¹ for more information.

- Application-specific information is not presented. “How to Write Graphics Microcode for the RSP” or “How to Write Audio Microcode for the RSP” are topics worthy of a book themselves, and are not discussed here.
- How to use the programming tools. There are detailed man pages for each tool used during RSP software development. Although all of these tools are mentioned in this document (and explained briefly), the reader is referred to documentation for individual tools for more information.
- Certain examples and advanced topics refer to higher-level Ultra64 features or RCP operations (operating system, graphics, audio, etc.). These things are explained in other documents; a thorough background knowledge of the Ultra64 is assumed in this document.

Information Presentation

Mastery of the information presented in this document will occur slowly, as the information is both voluminous and of tremendous breadth. Some concepts, such as the hardware architecture of the RSP and the microcode assembly language, are of course thoroughly intertwined; discussion of one is impossible without the other.

In order to present this material clearly, we have divided it up into the following chapters. Each chapter presents its specific topic in detail, usually assuming information contained in other chapters as background. We have attempted to present the information in a logical, top-down fashion, with liberal cross-references to assist the reader.

- Chapter 1, “Introduction,” is this chapter. It describes the document itself, and briefly illuminates the RSP development environment.

¹ Heinrich, J., “*MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User’s Manual*”, Prentice Hall Publishing, 1993, ISBN 0-13-1-5925-4.

- Chapter 2, “RSP Architecture,” describes the architecture of the RSP in great detail.
- Chapter 3, “Vector Unit Instructions,” explains the vector unit (VU) instructions, building on the RSP architecture and leading into RSP programming.
- Chapter 4, “RSP Coprocessor 0,” describes the RSP’s Coprocessor 0. The RSP Coprocessor 0 controls DMA activity, RDP synchronization, and host CPU interaction.
- Chapter 5, “RSP Assembly Language,” details the assembly language of the RSP, including assembler directives and some programming conventions.
- Chapter 6, “Advanced Information,” builds on information in the previous chapters in order to address sophisticated issues including RSP performance, microcode overlays, host CPU interactions, and additional programming conventions.
- Appendix A, “RSP Instruction Set Details,” contains a concise description of each RSP instruction, intended to be used as a reference.

RSP Software Development Tools

A brief introduction to the RSP programming environment will provide a framework for future discussions.

The following software tools are typically used for developing RSP code. This section only mentions the critical, RSP-specific tools; other, more general tools (like `make` and other UNIX tools) are not discussed.

rspasm

The assembler used to compile RSP microcode is `rspasm`. It is a simple, 2-pass assembler developed specifically for the RSP.

It interprets a simple assembly language, which is very R4000-like, but is not MIPS compatible. The source language and assembler directives are unique to the RSP.

The language, explained in more detail in Chapter 5, “RSP Assembly Language,” has the following major features:

- Mnemonic opcode syntax for all SU and VU instructions.
- Support for labels in the text section (for branching) and the data section (for referencing DMEM).
- Simple expression parsing.

The language also includes a rich set of assembler directives, used to instruct the assembler during compilation:

- Data directives, used to initialize DMEM.
- Symbol naming directives, used to assign meaningful names to registers, labels, constants, etc.
- Diagnostic directives, used to enforce memory alignment, print diagnostic messages, etc.

`rspasm` does not build standard ELF object files, which are required by the `makerom` utility in order to include RSP microcode objects into a game. ELF file creation is decoupled from the assembler and accomplished by the `rsp2elf` tool.

The `rspasm` assembler outputs several special files. The root filename for these files can be specified with the `-o` flag.

- `<rootname>`, is the binary executable code (text section). This file can be loaded into the RSP simulator instruction memory (IMEM) and executed.
- `<rootname>.dat`, is the binary data section. This is usually loaded into RSP data memory (DMEM).
- `<rootname>.lst`, is a text program listing generated by the assembler.
- `<rootname>.sym`, is a “symbol file” used by the RSP simulator to perform source level debugging.
- `<rootname>.dbg`, is a “symbol file” used by the `rsp2elf` utility in order to build an ELF object that can be used with `makerom` and the `gvd` debugger.

The RSP assembler has no provisions for linking separately-compiled objects. Since IMEM only holds 1024 instructions and assembling is so fast, the lack of a sophisticated linker is not a problem. Source code can be broken up into separate files and `#include`’d to enforce modularity.

Facilities to support dynamic linking, such as code overlays, are provided by the `buildtask` tool.

cpp

By default, `rspasm` invokes the C preprocessor (`/usr/bin/cc -E`, actually) before assembly so that source code can use `#define`, `#include`, `#ifdef`, etc.

Like other MIPS assemblers, `rspasm` defines `_LANGUAGE_ASSEMBLY` (useful for sharing header files with C programs).

m4

The `m4` macro processor is a useful tool that can optionally be invoked by the assembler (`rspasm -m`). If requested, `m4` will process the source code after `cpp`, but before assembly.

Although this is a powerful feature, it is not used to build the currently released software.

buildtask

This tool is a simple ‘linker’ which facilitates dynamic code overlays. its use is not required.

`buildtask` uses a conspiracy between RSP microcode, DMEM usage, and RSP task invocation to assist with code overlays. It concatenates code (and data) objects (enforcing alignment) in the order provided on the command line, and updates a table in DMEM with offsets and code sizes. This allows the microcode to find a piece of code and overlay it into IMEM during execution.

Additional details and examples of code overlays are described in Chapter 6, “Advanced Information.”

rsp2elf

Since ELF files are required by `makerom` and `gvd`, this tool is necessary to construct final microcode objects out of the `rspasm` output. It creates a dummy ELF `.o` and inserts the code and data sections into the appropriate locations. It also synthesizes some program symbols from the file name, so that the application code can reference the RSP text and data sections. From this `.o`, `makerom` can link the RSP microcode object into the game.

rsp, rspg

This tool is a software simulation of the RSP with a debugger-like interface.

Originally developed to verify hardware design and enable parallel hardware and software development, it remains useful for developing RSP microcode in a stand-alone fashion.

It has two interfaces, a simple text window interface (`rsp`) and a fancy window interface (`rspg`). The window interface supports source-level debugging, which is extremely useful.

Gameshop Debugger (`gvd`)

The Gameshop debugger, `gvd`, can be used to debug RSP microcode running on the real hardware.

Detailed instructions are beyond the scope of this document, but if you open the “Coprocesor View” on `gvd` and set the program counter appropriately you will be looking at IMEM. From here you can trace execution and examine memory and registers.

RSP Architecture

This chapter explains the significant architectural details of the Reality Signal Processor (RSP). It is not intended to be a comprehensive hardware specification, but it does describe the hardware features in sufficient detail for software development.

Standing alone, the RSP is an extremely powerful processor; a fixed-point RISC CPU capable of over *half a billion* arithmetic operations per second!¹ As part of the RCP, the RSP is an integral part of the graphics/audio/video processing pipelines.

Recommended background for this chapter includes a solid foundation in computer architecture, including RISC processors and SIMD (Single Instruction, Multiple Data) machines.

¹ This is not a misprint. At 62.5Mhz with an 8-element vector pipeline, the RSP could perform 500,000,000 multiply-accumulate operations per second. Since the RSP dual-issues scalar instructions, you could also do another 62,500,000 scalar operations during that same second. That is more than three times the performance of the Cray supercomputers from twenty years ago.

Overview

Slave to the CPU

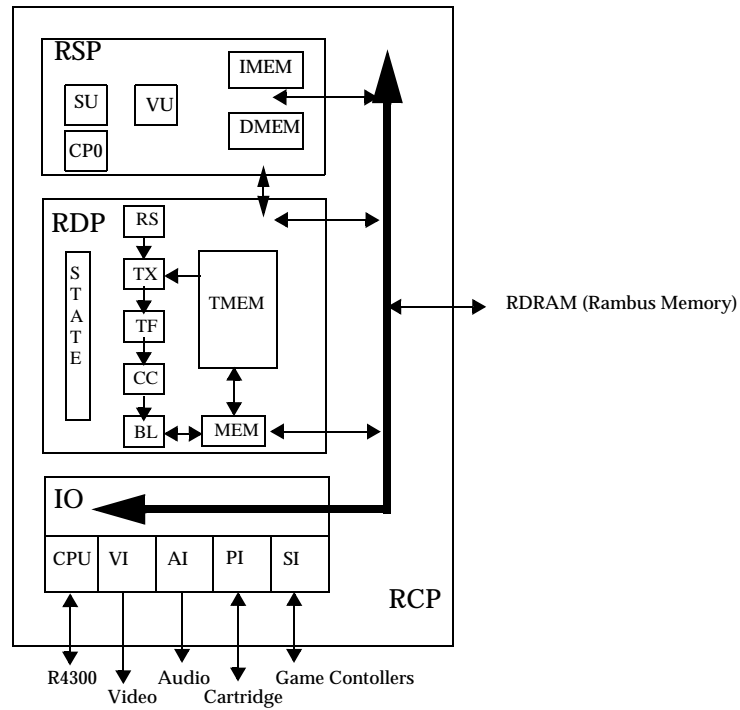
The RSP operates as a slave to the CPU. As such, there are limited error recovery facilities and many features are explicitly managed at a low level (booting, IMEM, DMEM, etc.)

Part of the RCP

Figure 2-1, reproduced from the *Nintendo 64 Programming Manual*, illustrates the major functional blocks of the RCP.

The RSP, along with the RDP and the IO subsystem, comprise the RCP chip. The RSP and RDP operate independently and are connected with the XBUS.

The IO block of the RCP also includes memory interfaces and separate DMA engines for the RSP and RDP.

Figure 2-1 Block Diagram of the RCP

R4000 Core

The RSP implements an R4000 core instruction set, with additional extensions.

The core instruction unit (without the extensions) is referred to as the Scalar Unit (SU).

Clock Speed

The RSP clock runs at 62.5 Mhz. Normally, the CPU and the RCP clock rates run in a 3:2 ratio.

Vector Processor

The RSP has a vector processor, implemented as MIPS Coprocessor 2. The vector unit (VU) has 32 128-bit wide vector registers (which can also be accessed as 8 vector slices), a vector accumulator (which also has 8 vector slices), and several special-purpose vector control registers.

The VU instruction set includes all useful computational instructions (add, multiply, logical, reciprocal, etc.) plus additional “multimedia instructions” which are well suited for graphics and audio processing. These instructions are thoroughly explained in Chapter 3, “Vector Unit Instructions”.

Major R4000 Differences

The MIPS R4000 series processors provide a convenient framework for learning about the RSP.

Pipeline Depth

Pipeline depth varies among MIPS processors and their implementations. The RSP has a pipeline depth of 5.

No Interrupts, Exceptions, or Traps

The RSP operates as a slave processor. There is no support for interrupts, exceptions, or traps.

Coprocessors

The RSP implements the following MIPS Coprocessors:

- Coprocessor 0 (system control). The RSP coprocessor 0 is *not* compatible with the R4000 coprocessor 0. The RSP coprocessor 0 is explained in Chapter 4, “RSP Coprocessor 0”.
- Coprocessor 2 (VU) implements the vector unit.

Other MIPS coprocessors, including coprocessor 1 (floating point processor) are *not* implemented.

Missing Instructions

The following R4000 instructions are not present in the RSP instruction set:

- LDL, LDR, LWL, LWR, LWU, SWL, SDL, SDR, SWR, LL, LLD, LDC1, LDC2, LD, SDC1, SDC2, SD, (all 64-bit loads/stores, load locked, and load/store left/right)
- SC, SCD, (store conditionals)

- BEQL, BNEL, BLEZL, BGTZL, BLTZL, BGEZL, BLTZALL, BGTZALL, BGEZALL, (all “likely” branches)
- MFHI, MTHI, MFLO, MTLO, (all HI/LO register moves)
- DADDI, DADDIU, DSLLV, DSRLV, DSRV, DMULT, DMULTU, DDIV, DDIVU, DADD, DADDU, DSUB, DSUBU, DSLL, DSRL, DSRA, DSLL32, DSRL32, DSRA32, (all 64-bit instructions)
- MULT, MULTU, DIV, DIVU, (all multiply/divide instructions)
- SYSCALL, (RSP does not generate exceptions)
- SYNC, (this instruction is intended for multiprocessor systems)
- BCzF, BCzT (all branch-on-coprocessor instructions)
- TGE, TGEU, TLT, TLTU, TEQ, TNE, TGEI, TGEIU, TLTi, TLTiU, TEQi, TNEi, (all TRAP instructions)

Modified Instructions

Some RSP instructions do not behave precisely like their R4000 counterparts. Some major differences:

- ADD/ADDU, ADDI/ADDIU, SLTI/SLTIU, SUB/SUBU. Each pair of these is synonymous with each other, since the RSP does not signal overflow exceptions.
- BREAK does not generate a trap; instead condition bits in the RSP status register are set and an interrupt is signaled.

Detailed behavior of all instructions is presented in Appendix A , “RSP Instruction Set Details”.

IMEM

The RSP has 4K bytes (1K instructions) of instruction memory (IMEM).

Addressing

The RSP PC is only 12-bits; only the lowest 12-bits of any address or branch target are used. Other address bits are ignored.

Explicitly Managed

IMEM must be explicitly managed by the RSP program. IMEM contents can only be loaded with a DMA operation (or programmed IO write from the CPU).

DMEM

The RSP has 4K bytes of data memory (DMEM).

Addressing

Since DMEM is 4K bytes, only the lowest 12-bits of addresses are used to address DMEM. Other address bits are ignored.

Explicitly Managed Resource

DMEM must be managed by the RSP program. All RSP loads/stores can only access DMEM; data must first be transferred between DMEM and external DRAM using a DMA operation (or programmed IO write from the CPU).

External Memory Map

The RSP memory and control registers map into the host CPU address space as defined in the file `rcp.h`.

This memory map is used by the CPU program to manage the RSP.

It is also convenient to use this address map with the RSP assembler (`rspasm`) and RSP simulator (`rsp`). Since only the lower 12-bits of addresses and branch targets are used, the upper bits are safely ignored.

Chapter 4, “RSP Coprocessor 0”, details this address space; in particular, Table 4-6, “RSP Coprocessor 0 Registers (CPU VIEW),” on page 94 and Table 4-7, “Other RSP Addresses (CPU VIEW),” on page 95.

General-purpose SU and VU registers cannot be addressed externally.

Scalar Unit Registers

The RSP Scalar Unit has 32 general-purpose registers, each 32 bits wide.

SU Register Format

The RSP has big-endian byte ordering.

Figure 2-2 SU Register Format



Register 0

Register 0 (\$0) is a special register. It always contains a zero, and cannot be modified. Attempting to modify \$0 is a null operation.

Since DMEM addresses are only 12-bits, it can be convenient to use \$0 as the base register for loads/stores (the entire DMEM address will fit in the 16-bit offset field).

Register 31

Register 31 (\$31) is a special register. The `jal` and `jalr` instructions store their return address in this register.

If these instructions are avoided, this register can be treated as any other SU register.

SU Control Registers

RSP control registers are part of Coprocessor 0, and are explained in Chapter 4, “RSP Coprocessor 0,” particularly Table 4-2, “RSP Status Register,” on page 85.

Vector Unit Registers

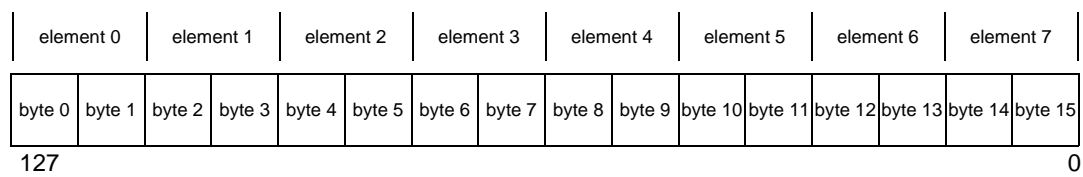
The RSP Vector Unit has 32 general-purpose vector registers, each 128 bits wide.

Depending on the operation, vector registers can be accessed as a single unit, by bytes, or by 16-bit elements corresponding to a vector slice.

VU Register Format

The RSP has big-endian byte ordering.

Figure 2-3 VU Register Format



Bits within a byte or register element are numbered similarly, little-endian.

VU Register Addressing

VU registers can be accessed in a variety of formats, depending on the instruction being executed.

Computational Instructions

Most computational instructions operate on VU registers as vectors, performing the same operation on 8 16-bit vector elements, on an element-by-element basis, with the 8 elements corresponding to the vector slices.

Instructions can operate on pairs of elements, adding two vectors (8 pairs of numbers), for example.

VU registers can also be addressed as scalars, allowing you to add 1 number (the same number) to a vector (8 numbers), for example.

Further, registers can be broken into *scalar halves* and *scalar quarters*, allowing you to treat pieces of VU as subsets, performing the same operations on consecutive ranges of elements. This is best understood with an illustrated example, see Figure 3-8, “Scalar Half and Scalar Quarter Vector Register Elements,” on page 59.

RSP assembly language syntax for vector registers is explained in the section “Vector Register Element Syntax” in Chapter 5.

Loads, Stores, and Moves

VU loads, stores, and moves *always* reference data within VU registers by their bytes. So if you want to load a short (2 bytes) into element 3 of a VU register, you must do this:

```
lsv    $v1[6], 0($1)
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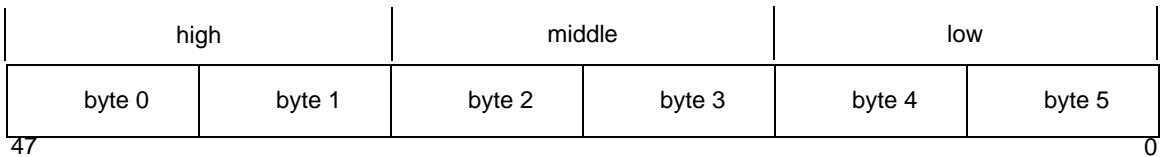
Element 3 corresponds to byte 6, of the VU registers.

Caution: A very common programming error is to confuse the “byte index” of a VU load/store with the “element index” of a computational instruction.

Accumulator

Each vector slice has a 48-bit accumulator associated with it. Each 16-bit element of a vector register maps to a vector slice, and therefore to a different 48-bit accumulator.

Figure 2-4 VU Accumulator Format



The accumulator is modified by most VU computational instructions, but it is used most heavily by the multiply-accumulate instructions. For these instructions, 16-bits of the accumulator is written out after accumulation. “Which” 16-bits to be written is usually an accumulator element. Consult “VU Multiply Instructions” in Chapter 3 for more information.

One VU instruction, `vsar`, can directly reference the accumulator directly.

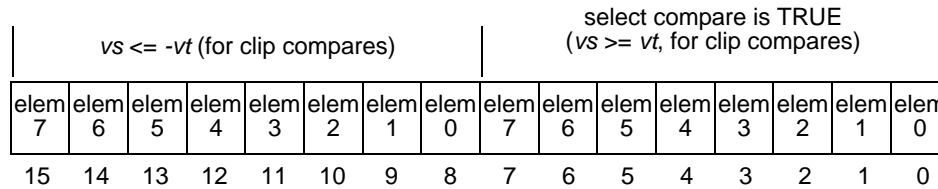
VU Control Registers

Vector Compare Code Register (VCC)

This 16-bit register contains 2 bits per 16-bit slice of the VU and is used by the select instructions.

The low 8 bits are used for most compares (*vlt*, *veq*, *vne*, *vge*) and merge (*vmrg*), and all 16 bits are used for the clip compares (*vcl*, *vch*, *vcr*).

Figure 2-5 VCC Register Format



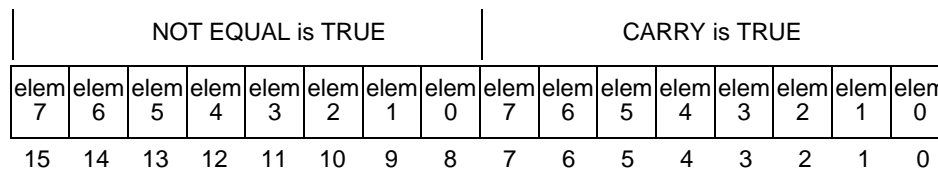
Vector Carry Out Register (VCO)

This 16-bit register contains 2 bits per 16-bit slice of the VU and is used by some of the add and select instructions to perform double-precision operations.

The low 8 bits are CARRY, and are set by *vaddc* or *vsubc* instructions that generate a carry out (or borrow, in the case of *vsubc*). The upper 8 bits are NOT EQUAL, set by *vaddc* or *vsubc* if the operands are not equal.

vadd, *vsub*, and select compare instructions (*vlt*, *veq*, *vne*, *vge*) use VCO as inputs and clear VCO. Select compare instructions use VCO which was previously set by a *vsubc* instruction.

Figure 2-6 VCO Register Format



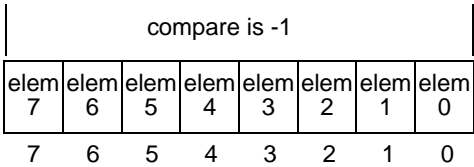
Vector Compare Extension Register (VCE)

This 8-bit register contains one bit for each VU slice, set to 1 if the `vch` comparison was -1, 0 otherwise. Expressed in a high-level language:

```
if ((vs[elem] < 0 && vt[elem] >= 0) ||
    (vs[elem] >= 0 && vt[elem] < 0) {
    if (vs[elem] + vt[elem] == -1)
        VCE[elem] = 1;
    else
        VCE[elem] = 0;
} else {
    VCE[elem] = 0;
}
```

This is used for double-precision clip compares by `vc1` (in addition to `VCC` and `VCO`); `vc1` clears `VCE`.

Figure 2-7 VCE Register Format



SU and VU Interaction

The RSP can execute two instructions per clock cycle, one scalar instruction and one vector instruction. The scalar unit and vector unit operate in parallel.

Dual Issue of Instructions

The instruction fetch cycle can fetch *at most* two instructions, one SU and one VU. If there are no register conflicts, both instructions can be issued in parallel.

Instructions are paired in order, they are not re-ordered to facilitate dual issue. They do not need to be aligned as one SU and one VU in a 64-bit word.

If the pipeline stalls due to register conflicts (see “Register Hazards” on page 43), *no* instructions are issued.

RSP Instruction Set

The details of the instruction set can be found in Appendix A, however several important properties are worth mentioning here.

Instruction Formats

All RSP instructions are implemented within the MIPS R4000 Instruction Set Architecture.

SU Instruction Format

The SU instructions include all three formats found in the MIPS ISA: immediate (I-type), jump (J-type), and register (R-type). Consult the *MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User's Manual* for more information.

VU Instruction Format

VU instructions are implemented as *coprocessor instructions*, as defined by the MIPS ISA.

Detailed discussion of VU instructions can be found in Chapter 3.

Distinguishing SU and VU Instructions

If the opcode mnemonic starts with a 'v', it is a vector unit instruction.

It is important to re-iterate that VU loads, stores, and moves are SU instructions; they are executed in the scalar unit (possibly in parallel with other VU instructions).

Illegal Instructions

If an illegal instruction is issued (incorrectly aligned load, incorrect VU element usage, etc.) execution will still occur. Something *will* happen, possibly modifying RSP state or the instruction flow, possibly not in the expected way.

Execution Pipeline

RSP Block Diagram

The RSP execution pipeline is illustrated in Figure 2-8.

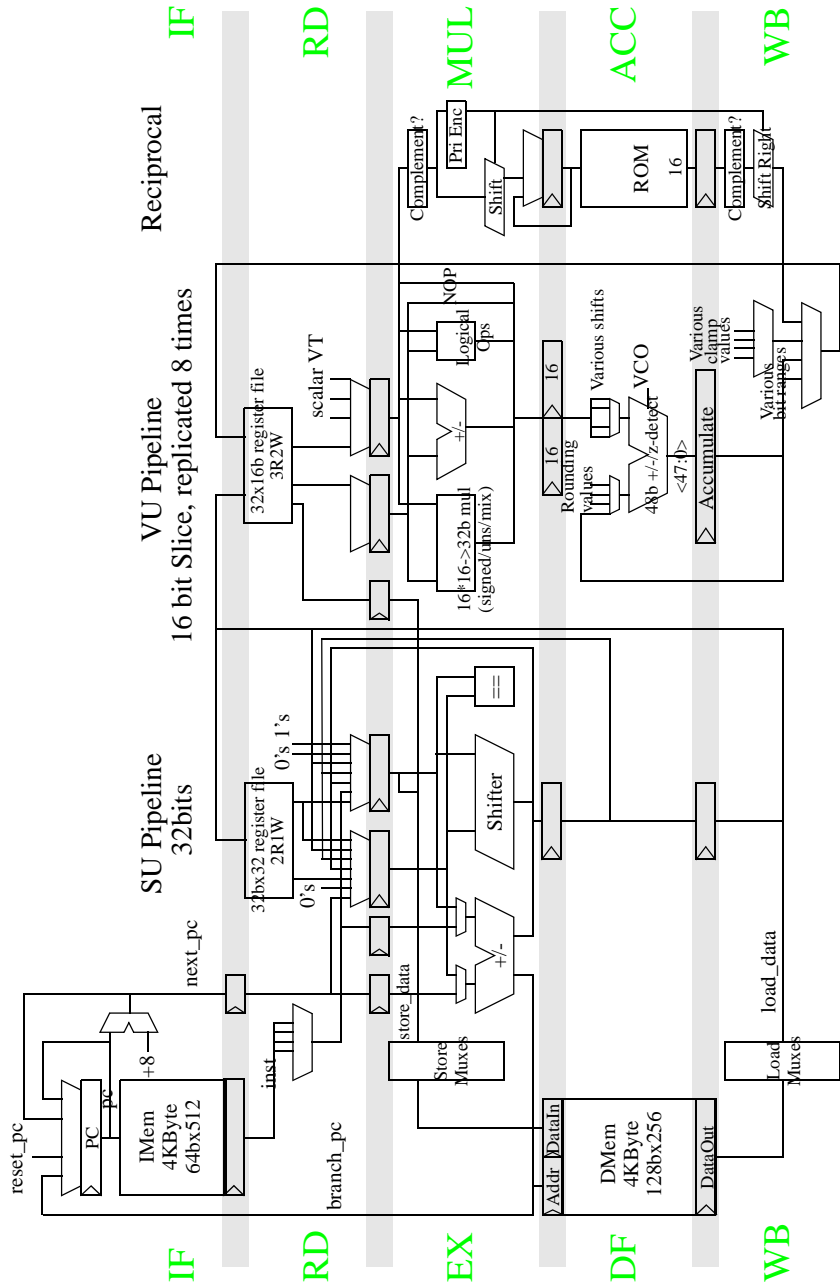
The scalar unit of the RSP has a five stage pipeline:

IF	I nstruction F etch. During this stage, two instruction are fetched and decoded, dual-issuing, if possible.
RD	R egister Access and I nstruction D ecode. Control is set up for functional units based on instruction decode.
EX	E xecute. For computational operations, the result is calculated; for loads/stores/branches, the address is calculated.
DF	D ata F etch. For loads, the data is fetched; store data is stored.
WB	W rite B ack. Results are written back to registers.

The vector unit also has a five stage pipeline:

IF	I nstruction F etch. Nothing happens in the VU during this stage.
RD	R egister Access and I nstruction D ecode. Muxing for “scalar mode”.
MUL	M ultiply. During this stage, computational operations are computed. Reciprocal operations begin table-lookup.
ACC	A ccumulate. Additional computation is performed. Reciprocal operations perform table-lookup.
WB	W rite B ack. Minor computations and writing of data to vector registers.

Figure 2-8 RSP Block Diagram



Mary Jo's Rules¹

Avoiding pipeline stalls in software can be accomplished by understanding the following rules.

1. VU register destination writes 4 cycles later (need 3 cycles between load and use). This applies to vector computational instructions, vector loads, and coprocessor 2 moves (`mtc2`).
2. SU register load takes 3 cycles (need 2 cycles between load and use). This applies to SU loads and coprocessor moves (`mfc0`, `cfc2`, `mfc2`). SU computational results are available in the next cycle (see "SU is Bypassed" on page 44).
3. *Any* load followed by *any* store 2 cycles later, causes a one cycle bubble. Coprocessor moves (`mtc0`, `mfc0`, `mtc2`, `mfc2`, `ctc2`, `cfc2`) count as both loads *and* stores.
4. A branch target not 64-bit aligned always single issues.
5. Branches:
 - a. Can dual issue (with preceding instruction).
 - b. No branch instruction permitted in a delay slot.
 - c. Delay slot always single issues.
 - d. Taken branch causes a 1 cycle bubble.

Register Hazards

The RSP hardware implements register hazard locking for SU and VU registers. Once an instruction is fetched and decoded, its destination register is marked as a "hazard"; if this register is used as an input to a subsequent instruction, the pipeline will stall.

¹ Named after Mary Jo Doherty, the designer of the RSP.

Obviously, pipeline stalls should be avoided by the programmer (when possible) for the best performance.

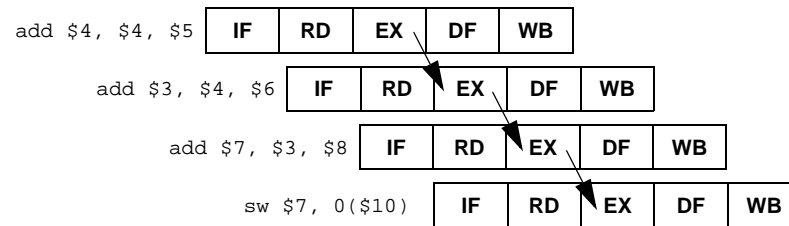
Because the SU is *bypassed* (see below), this section only applies to SU registers for loads (and coprocessor moves) and VU registers.

SU is Bypassed

Bypassing, or *forwarding*, is a technique commonly used to accelerate RISC execution pipelines.

Instead of waiting for the result of a previous instruction to be written to its destination register, a subsequent instruction can use the (correct) value which is residing in a temporary register in the arithmetic and logical unit.

Figure 2-9 Pipeline Bypassing



For software, this means that results from SU instructions are available in the next clock cycle, removing the concern of preventing pipeline stalls.¹

¹ An obvious question is “why isn’t the VU bypassed?” As illustrated in Figure 2-8, the final result of a vector computation is not available until very late in the WB stage of the pipeline.

Coprocessor 0

The RSP coprocessor 0 is thoroughly discussed in Chapter 4, but is mentioned here for completeness.

Coprocessor 0 in the MIPS R4000 architecture is designated as the “system control coprocessor”. Since the RSP is a slave processor, the system control functions are greatly reduced, and therefore the usage of coprocessor 0 does not conform to the MIPS R4000 architecture specification.

The RSP *does* use coprocessor 0 for “system control” functions, these functions (and their registers) are explained in Chapter 4.

Interrupts, Exceptions, and Processor Status

Interrupts

The RSP does not respond to interrupts, and it can only generate a single interrupt (`MI_INTR_SP`), triggered by the `break` instruction.

Exceptions

No RSP instruction can cause an exception, and there are no exception handling facilities in the RSP.

Processor Status

The RSP has a processor status register in coprocessor 0, this register can be used to communicate with the CPU. See page 85 for more information.

Vector Unit Instructions

Details about each specific instruction are contained in Appendix A, but it is useful to discuss issues common to all of the vector unit instructions, as well as to discuss each related group of vector unit instructions in context.

There are two categories of vector unit instructions discussed in this chapter:

- Vector Loads/Stores/Moves. These are actually scalar unit instructions (executed in the SU, possibly in parallel with VU computational instructions) which load/store/modify vector unit general purpose or control registers.
- Vector Computational Instructions. These instructions are executed in the vector unit in parallel with any scalar instructions.

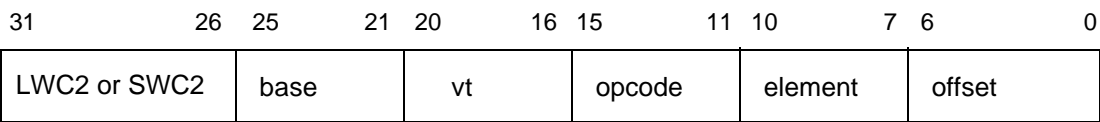
All of these instructions are implemented with the MIPS coprocessor extensions to the MIPS R4000 Instruction Set Architecture, which permit coprocessor-specific interpretation of some instruction bits. It is these “coprocessor-specific” details which are the subject of this chapter.

VU Loads and Stores

Vector loads and stores are scalar unit (SU) instructions used to move the contents of DMEM to and from VU registers (see “VU Register Format” on page 34). VU loads and stores can only access DMEM; they cannot access DRAM. Data must be transferred into DMEM using a DMA operation before use.

VU Load and Store instructions follow the general format of MIPS Coprocessor loads and stores (LWC2, SWC2), except for a different interpretation of the 16 offset bits. This usage of the 16 bit offset field in MIPS coprocessor opcode space extends the number of memory operations, without using up a lot of instruction space.

Figure 3-1 VU Load and Store Instruction Format



The operands are:

Base is an SU register containing a DMEM memory address. Only the lower 12 bits of this register are used, other bits are ignored.

VT is the VU register to or from which memory data is written.

The *opcode* is the memory item type and operation being performed.

Element is the byte element of the VU register being accessed.

Offset is a 7 bit constant shifted by the memory item size and added to the memory address in *base*. This means that the offset supplied in the assembly language must be an operand-size-aligned integral; a multiple of 2 bytes for a short load, 4 bytes for a long, etc. Since the offset is added to the *base*, the effective address can still be byte-aligned, however.

All VU loads are *delayed load instructions*, with three load delay slots (results from a VU load are available for use in the fourth instruction following the load). If a VU instruction attempts to use the destination

register of a VU load, hardware interlocking will stall the processor until the data arrives.

Note: VU stores use an identical pipeline; since accesses to memory always occur in the same VU pipeline stage, a VU store followed by an immediate load from the same memory location is guaranteed to fetch the correct data.

VU stores followed by SU loads are also guaranteed to fetch the correct data, for similar reasons.

VU loads and stores are of three types, *normal*, *packed*, and *transpose*. Normal operations allow the movement of the usual integer memory data items of powers of two numbers of bytes between memory and VU registers with memory byte alignment, and VU element alignment to the size of the item.

The packed operations support access to memory byte data and two and four byte per pixel image data (such as YUV or RGBA).

Transpose accesses are discussed in a subsequent section, and include a transposed or wrapped store, and a transposed and wrapped load.

Table 3-1 VU Load/Store Instruction Summary

	Opcode	Memory Item	Memory Alignment	VU Element (legal values)	Offset Shift Amount
Normal	lbv, sbv	8b (byte)	byte	0-15	<< 0
	lsv, ssv	16b (short)	byte	0-14 by 2	<< 1
	llv, slv	32b (long)	byte	0-12 by 4	<< 2
	ldv, sdv	64b (double)	byte	0, 8	<< 3
Packed	lqv, sqv	128b (quad)	byte (see below)	0	<< 4
	lrv, srv	128b (rest)	byte (see below)	0	<< 4
	lpv, spv	8 8b, signed (pack)	byte (bit 15)	0	<< 3
	luv, suv	8 8b, unsigned (upack)	byte (bit 14)	0	<< 3
	lhv, shv	8 8b every 2nd, unsigned (half pack)	quad+0,1	0	<< 4

Transpose	Opcode	Memory Item	Memory Alignment	VU Element (legal values)	Offset Shift Amount
	lfv, sfv	4 8b every 4th, unsigned (fourth pack)	quad+0 to 3	0, 8	<< 4
	ltv, stv, swv	8 16b (transpose, wrap)	quad	0-14 by 2	<< 4

If an illegal alignment (or element value) is attempted, something *will* be loaded or stored, but probably not what was intended.

Normal

Normal loads and stores move a single memory item to or from an element of a VU register. Items are *byte* (8 bit), *short* (16 bit), *long* (32 bit), *double* (64 bit), and *quad* or *rest* (128 bit). The memory address is byte aligned. The VU element is aligned to the size of the item.

Quad and rest operands update the portion of the memory item or VU register which fall within the aligned quad word.

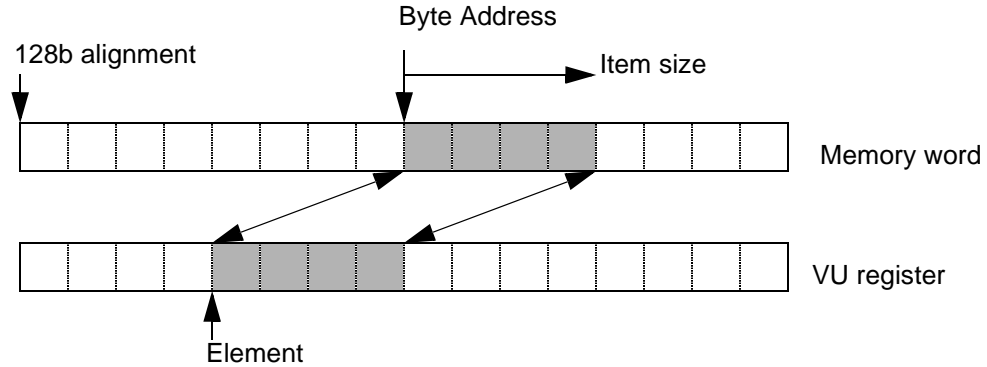
Quad operations move a byte-aligned quad word up to the 16 byte boundary, that is, (address) to ((address & ~15) + 15) to/from VU register element 0 to (address & 15).

Rest is used to move a byte-aligned quad word up to the byte address, that is, (address & ~15) to (address - 1) to/from VU register element (16 - (address & 15)) to 15. A rest with a byte address of zero writes no bytes.

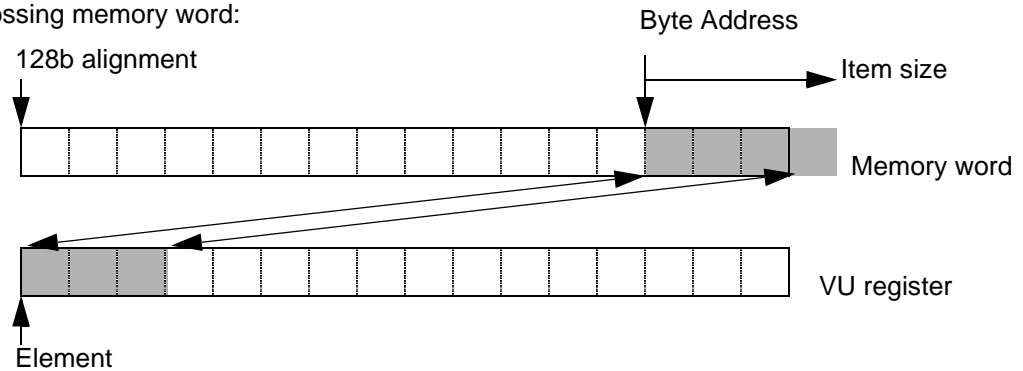
The quad and rest pair can then move a byte-aligned quad word to/from an entire vector register in two instructions. (This can also be performed with two byte-aligned double instructions, although quad and rest allow the two quad words to be disjoint.) A quad word on a quad word boundary can be moved in one quad instruction.

Figure 3-2 Long, Quad, and Rest Loads and Stores

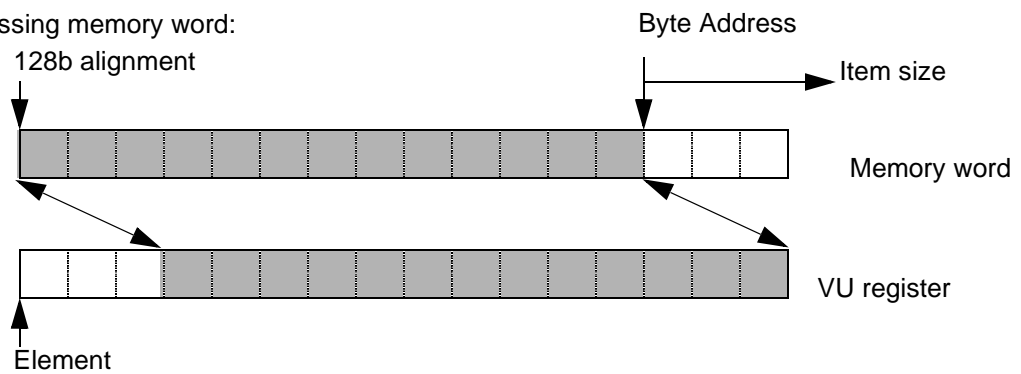
Long item:



Quad item crossing memory word:



Rest item crossing memory word:



Packed

Packed loads and stores move memory bytes to or from short elements of the VU register, which are aligned to shorts. They are useful for accessing one, two, or four channel byte image data for VU processing as shorts, such as for VU multiplies.

When only some bits of a slice receive data from memory the remaining bits in the slice get zeros.

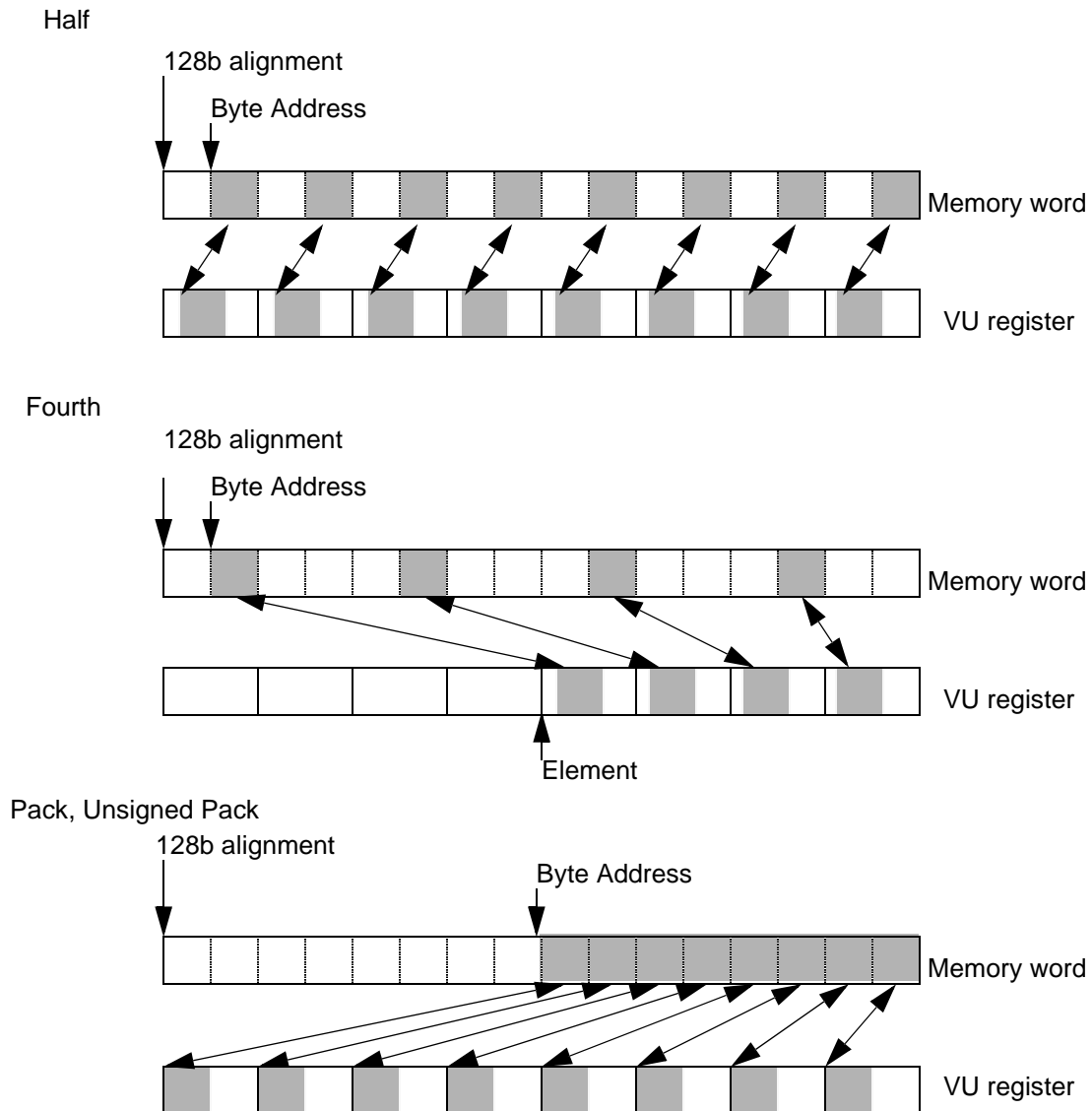
`lpv/spv` (pack) moves 8 consecutive bytes to or from a memory.

`luv/suv` (unsigned pack) is similar to `lpv/spv`, except the memory byte MSB is aligned to bit 14 of the VU short for unsigned data.

`lhv/shv` (half) moves every other memory byte, and the selection of odd or even bytes is controlled by the memory byte address.

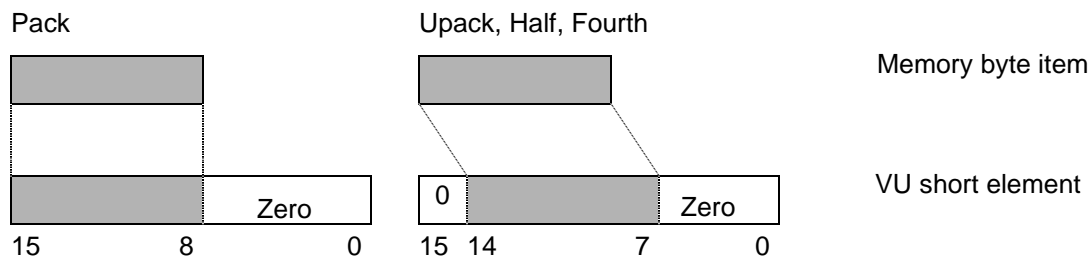
`lfv/sfv` (fourth) moves every fourth memory byte, and the selection of which bytes is controlled by the memory byte address. Since fourth only access four bytes within a memory word, *element* specifies whether the low or high four shorts of the VU register are accessed.

Packed loads and stores are illustrated in Figure 3-3.

Figure 3-3 Packed Loads and Stores

The alignment of various pack formats with VU short elements is shown in the Figure 3-4

Figure 3-4 Packed Load and Store Alignment



Unsigned pack, half, and fourth items are intended to support unsigned bytes for one, two, or four channel image data. Pack is a signed byte, for example for 8 bit audio or geometric normal or difference vectors. The alignment to the VU short MSB optimizes usage as signed or unsigned fractions in subsequent VU multiplies.

Transpose

Transpose loads and stores can be used to transpose an 8 by 8 block of shorts in 16 instructions.

The instructions are `stv`, `swv`, and `ltv`. Transpose loads and stores move a 128 bit VU register to and from an aligned 128 bit memory word as 8 16 bit values, one from each VU slice. The VU register number of each slice is computed as:

$$(\text{VT} \& 0\text{x}18) \mid ((\text{Slice} + (\text{Element} \gg 1)) \& 0\text{x}7)$$

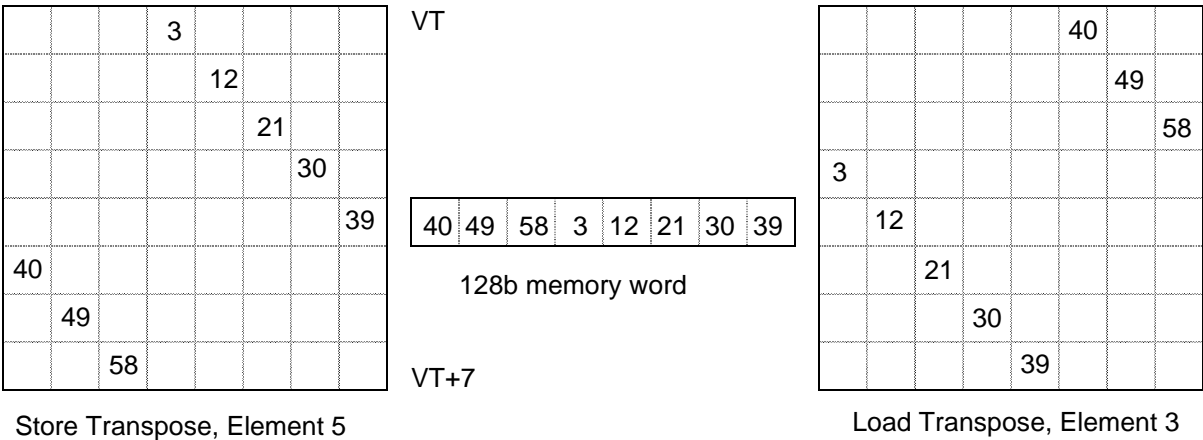
which is to say, `vt` specifies a base register of an 8 register group. Within that group, the register address is a function of the slice number and the element number treated as 0 to 7. A store gathers a diagonal vector of shorts from 8 VU registers into a memory word, or a load scatters a memory word into a diagonal vector of shorts in 8 VU registers, without writing the other shorts in each register. Wrap loads and stores perform a circular left shift of the 8 shorts by $(\text{element} \gg 1)$, which is equivalent to:

```
dest_short[ Slice ] = source_short[((Slice +  
                                     (Element >> 1)) & 0x7)]
```

A transpose is shown in Figure 3-5, with 8x8 block of 8 shorts in 8 VU registers numbered in row order for the 64 elements of the block. The other 14 vector loads and stores needed for the transpose are similar. For a memory-to-memory transpose, the instructions used are `ltv` and `swv`, and for a register-to-register transpose, `stv` and `ltv`.

Interlock is performed by enabling the source and destination register comparisons on only the upper two register number bits, that is, making any interlock comparison to the 8 registers within a transpose block true.

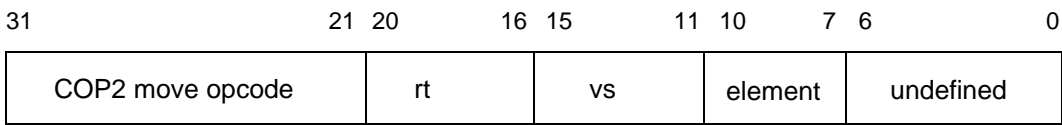
Figure 3-5 Transpose Loads and Stores



VU Register Moves

VU register move instructions follow the general format of MIPS Coprocessor moves (MTC2, MFC2, CTC2, CFC2), with additional interpretation of the lower 11 bits.

Figure 3-6 VU Coprocessor Moves



The low 16 bits of the SU register *rt* are moved from or to the 16 bit element of the VU register *vs* specified in *element*. The SU register is sign extended when moved from the VU register.

For general VU register moves, *element* is a byte element, which must be one of [0,2,4,6,8,10,12,14].

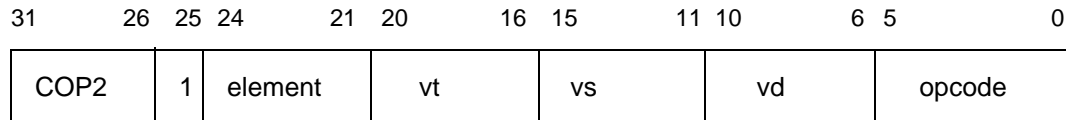
For control register moves, the *vs* field specifies the *VCO*, *VCC*, or *VCE* control registers, and *element* is ignored. See “VU Control Registers” on page 36 for explanation of each control register.

Moves to VU registers have the same load delay characteristics as VU loads. Moves to SU registers have the same load delay characteristics as SU loads.

VU Computational Instructions

The VU computational instructions adhere to the general format of MIPS Coprocessor Operate instructions (COP2).

Figure 3-7 VU Computational Instruction Format



Most VU computational instructions are three operand:

$$VD = VS \text{ operation } VT$$

where each operand is one of 32 vector registers. The *vt* operand can also be a scalar operand in some instructions, that is, one 16 bit element of the vector register, as defined in the *element* field. The value written to *vd* is clamped (saturated) to the minimum and maximum values of the element (-32768 and +32767 for 16-bit signed elements), before being written.

A vector accumulator register (see “Accumulator” on page 36) is available to accumulate results over several instructions. The accumulator is modified by all multiply and some add instructions, but its contents are unchanged after other VU instructions. The major types of VU computational instructions are *multiply*, *add*, *select*, *logical*, and *divide*. The upper bits of the *opcode* field select the instruction type, and are encoded as in Table 3-2.

Table 3-2 VU Computational Instruction Opcode Encoding

Opcode	Instruction
0 0 x x x x	Multiply
0 1 x x x x	Add
1 0 0 x x x	Select
1 0 1 x x x	Logical
1 1 0 x x x	Divide

Using Scalar Elements of a Vector Register

Element encodings are shown in Table 3-3, where *x* indicates the bit field used to select which element. Scalar elements can be selected within quarters, halves, or the whole vector.

Table 3-3 VU Computational Instruction Element Encoding

Type	Assembly Syntax Example	Element Field	Usage
Vector	<code>\$v1</code>	0 0 0 0	vector operand
Scalar Quarter	<code>\$v1[xq]</code>	0 0 1 <i>x</i>	1 of 2 elements for 4 2-element quarters of vector
Scalar Half	<code>\$v1[xh]</code>	0 1 <i>x x</i>	1 of 4 elements for 2 4-element halves of vector
Scalar Whole	<code>\$v1[x]</code>	1 <i>x x x</i>	1 of 8 elements for whole vector

This is useful for operating on multiple “vectors” within one instruction cycle, such as working on two 3D points/vectors.

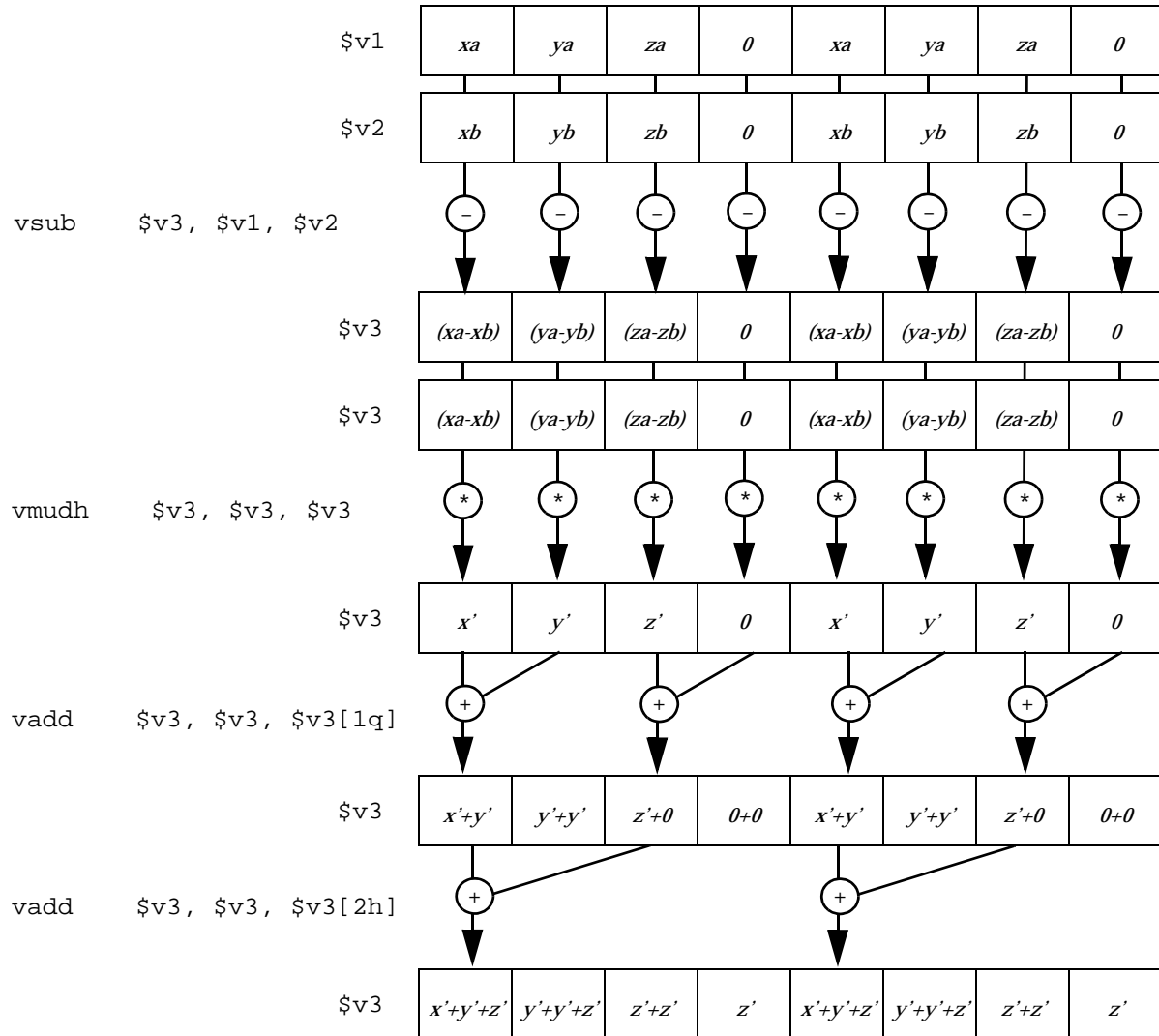
Consider the following code to compute the square of the distance between two points:

```
#
# dist^2 = (xa-xb)^2 + (ya-yb)^2 + (za-zb)^2
#
# Assumes single precision, all in range, etc.
#
vsub    $v3, $v1, $v2    # calc (xa-xb), (ya-yb), (za-zb)
vmudh   $v3, $v3, $v3    # square the differences
vadd    $v3, $v3, $v3[1q]# collect the terms
vadd    $v3, $v3, $v3[2h]
```

In this example, scalar half and scalar quarter element references are used in the `vadd` instructions to collect the intermediate terms. We can also compute the distance between two groups of point-pairs at once, by putting each

point-pair in the same half of the vector registers. The register contents and operations are illustrated in Figure 3-8.

Figure 3-8 Scalar Half and Scalar Quarter Vector Register Elements



In the above example (since add is commutative), a slightly different usage of the vector registers could have been used to direct the final result to be in a different element. Replacing:

```
vadd $v3, $v3, $v3[1q]
```

with

```
vadd $v3, $v3, $v3[0q]
```

would leave the final result in element [1h] instead of [0h]. This might be important, in order to align the results for the next computation.

VU Multiply Instructions

Figure 3-9 VU Multiply Opcode Encoding

5	4	3	2	0
0 0		a	format	

VU multiply instructions perform various multiplies, specified by the following fields:

Element: Vector or scalar element of *vt*.

A: When *a* == 1, Accumulate the product, otherwise round the product and load the accumulator. The round value is determined by the *format*.

Format: Select various product and result options.

The *product* is the 32 bit signed result from the 16x16 signed multiply. Each element of the *accumulator* is 48 bits wide (see “Accumulator” on page 36). The *result* is the 16 bits of the accumulator written to *vd*. Double precision (32 bit) operands are supported by multiplying and accumulating the low 16 bits from one vector operand and the upper 16 bits from another vector operand in several multiply instructions. Formats for various product and result options are shown in Table 3-4.

Table 3-4 VU Multiply Instruction Summary

Fmt	S, T signed	Prod Shift	Round Value	Result	Clamping	Instructions
0 0 0	sign, sign	<< 1	+32768	b31-16	sign, b31-msb	vmulf, vmacf
0 0 1	sign, sign	<< 1	+32768	b31-16	uns, b31-msb	vmulu, vmacu
0 1 0	NA, sign	NA	+VT if Acc	b31-16	sign, b31-msb	vrndp, vrndn
0 1 1	sign, sign	<< 16	+31 if Prod	b32-17	sign, b32-msb	vmulq, vmacq
1 0 0	uns, uns	>> 16	0	b15-0	sign, b31-msb	vmudl, vmadl
1 0 1	sign, uns	0	0	b31-16	sign, b31-msb	vmudm, vmadm

Fmt	S, T signed	Prod Shift	Round Value	Result	Clamping	Instructions
1 1 0	uns, sign	0	0	b15-0	sign, b31-msb	vmudn, vmadn
1 1 1	sign, sign	<< 16	0	b31-16	sign, b31-msb	vmudh, vmadh

`vmulf` and `vmulu` support operands with 15 fraction bits, and differ only in whether the result is clamped signed or unsigned. Small integer operands can be multiplied with `vmudh` (if the result is bigger than 16 bits, double precision should be used.)

`vmulq` is intended specifically to support 12 bit MPEG inverse quantization¹. The *product* is shifted left by 16 in order to clamp on the upper accumulator. The round value ($31 \ll 16$) is added to the product if the *product* is negative, otherwise zero is added. The result is clamped and shifted right by 17 before being written to `vd` and AND'd with `0xFFFF0`, producing a result from -2048 to 2047 aligned to the short MSB. In other words,

$$VD = (ACC \gg 17) \& 0xFFFF0$$

`vmacq` ignores the `vs` and `vt` operands, and performs oddification¹ of the accumulator by adding ($32 \ll 16$) if the accumulator is negative and bit 21 is zero, adding ($-32 \ll 16$) if positive and bit 21 is zero, or adding zero if the accumulator bits 47-21 is zero or bit 21 is one. The clamp and shift is the same as `vmulq`.

`vrnd` is intended to specifically support MPEG DCT rounding¹. The `vt` operand is conditionally added to the accumulator. For `vrndn`, `vt` is added if the accumulator is negative, otherwise zero is added. For `vrndp`, `vt` is added if the accumulator is positive, otherwise zero is added. `vt` is shifted left by 16 if the register number `vs` is 1, or not shifted if `vs` is zero (note this is the instruction field `vs`, not the contents of `vs`).

¹ MPEG1 Specification, ISO/IEC 11172-2. MPEG documentation is available from the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), New York, N.Y.; or from the Japanese Industrial Standards Committee (JISC), Tokyo, Japan.

Rounding is performed for single precision multiplies by adding the appropriate rounding value (as dictated by the format) to the accumulator.

Clamping (saturation) is performed by testing certain accumulator bits above the 16 bit result field, and substituting maximum or minimum 16 bit signed or unsigned numbers, as dictated by the format.

The operations `vmul*` and `vmac*` (or `vmud*` and `vmad*`) either load the accumulator or add the product to the accumulator. Typically a `vmac*` or `vmad*` must immediately follow a `vmul*` or `vmud*` instruction or else the accumulator contents are undefined.

`vmulf` supports signed fractions. `vmulu` supports signed fractions with clamping to an unsigned result, such as for pixel color values. For double precision, `vmudl` performs the low partial product, `vmudm` and `vmudn` the middle partial products, and `vmudh` the high partial product.

Ignoring clamping, the multiply instructions are equivalent to:

```
for (i=0; i<8; i++)
    VD[i] = (ACC[i] = (VS[i] * VT[i] << 1) + Round) >> 16;
```

and the multiply accumulate instructions are equivalent to:

```
for (i=0; i<8; i++)
    VD[i] = (ACC[i] += VS[i] * VT[i] << 1) >> 16;
```

or in either case, possibly times *vt[element]*.

The double precision multiply instructions are equivalent to¹:

```
for (i=0; i<8; i++)
    VD[i] = ((ACC[i] = (VS[i] * VT[i]) <<>> prod_shift) >>
             result_shift);
```

and the double precision multiply accumulate instructions are equivalent to:

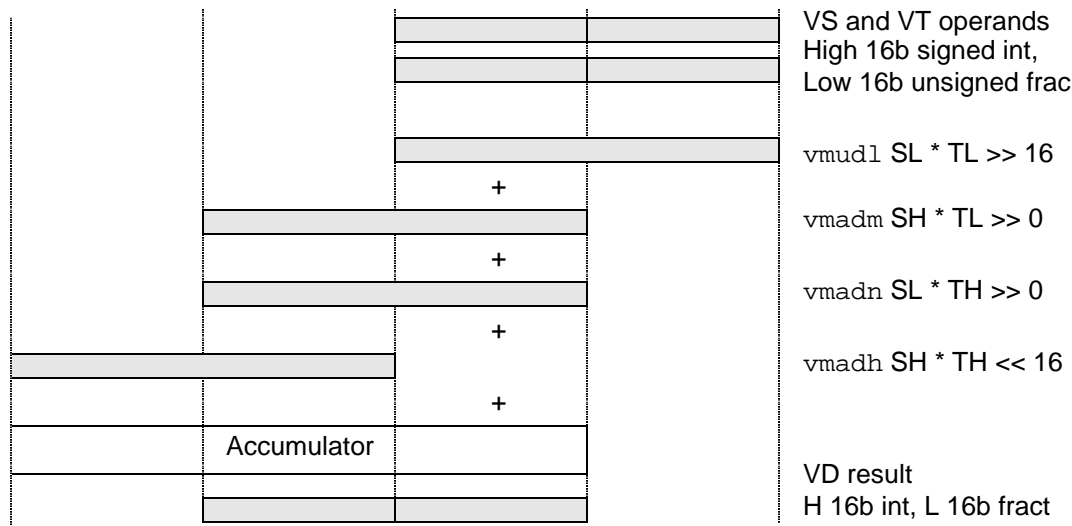
```
for (i=0; i<8; i++)
    VD[i] = ((ACC[i] += (VS[i] * VT[i]) <<>> prod_shift) >>
             result_shift);
```

¹ in the following examples, the notation '<<>>' means "shifted up or down, whichever is appropriate".

Double precision operands use a register pair, one register containing the upper signed 16 bits and another containing the low unsigned 16 bits.

Double precision multiplication is illustrated in Figure 3-10.

Figure 3-10 Double-precision VU Multiply



Since double precision returns at most a 32 bit result, software must keep numbers in range.

Mixed precision, that is a 16x32 multiply, can be performed with different combinations of multiply instructions.

In some instances, it is necessary to use an additional multiply instruction to extract the rest of the answer from the accumulator. This is necessary because one of the partial-product multiplies may change the sign of the result, requiring you to retrieve a portion of the result from the accumulator again.

Vector Multiply Examples

The following code fragments illustrate various multiplies. In this section, the following notation is used:

- `I` is a signed 16-bit integer.
- `F` is an unsigned 16-bit fraction.
- `IF` is a 32-bit number, with the signed upper 16 bits contained in one register, and the unsigned lower 16 bits contained in a second register.
- `_int` is a named vector register holding a signed 16 bit number.
- `_frac` is a named vector register holding an unsigned 16 bit fraction.
- `dev_null` is a named vector register containing all zeros.

```
IFxI:
#
# mixed precision multiply:
# IF * I = IF
#
vmudn res_frac, s_frac, t_int
vmadh res_int, s_int, t_int
vmadn res_frac, dev_null, dev_null[0]
```

```
IxIF:
#
# mixed precision multiply:
# I * IF = IF
#
vmudm res_frac, s_int, t_frac
vmadh res_int, s_int, t_int
vmadn res_frac, dev_null, dev_null[0]
```

```
IFxF:
#
# mixed precision multiply:
# IF * F = IF
#
vmudl res_frac, s_frac, t_frac
```

```
vmadm res_int, s_int, t_frac
vmadn res_frac, dev_null, dev_null[0]
```

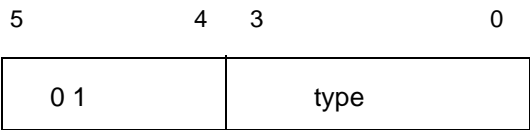
```
IxI:
#
# single precision integer multiply:
#  $I * I = I$ 
#
vmudh res_int, s_int, t_int
```

```
IxF:
#
# single precision multiply:
#  $I * F = IF$ 
#
vmudm res_int, s_int, t_frac
vmadn res_frac, dev_null, dev_null[0]
```

Other combinations are left as an exercise to the reader.

VU Add Instructions

Figure 3-11 VU Add Opcode Encoding



The VU add instructions perform various types of adds, specified by the following fields:

Element: Vector or scalar element of *vt* (except *vsar* where it selects the accumulator portion).

Type: One of the following types of add instructions:

Table 3-5 VU Add Type Encoding

Type	Instruction
0 0 0 0	vadd
0 0 0 1	vsub
0 0 1 0	<i>reserved</i>
0 0 1 1	vabs
0 1 0 0	vaddc
0 1 0 1	vsubc
0 1 1 0	<i>reserved</i>
0 1 1 1	<i>reserved</i>
1 0 0 0	<i>reserved</i>
1 0 0 1	<i>reserved</i>
1 0 1 0	<i>reserved</i>
1 0 1 1	<i>reserved</i>
1 1 0 0	<i>reserved</i>

Type	Instruction
1 1 0 1	<code>vsar</code>
1 1 1 0	<i>reserved</i>
1 1 1 1	<i>reserved</i>

The VU adds are short (16 bit) add operations; they clear `VCO` and clamp to 16 bit signed values. `vadd` uses `VCO` as carry in, `vsub` uses `VCO` as borrow in, and `vabs` ignores `VCO`:

`vadd:` $VD = VS + VT$

`vsub:` $VD = VS - VT.$

`vabs:` conditional negation of `VT` by the sign of `VS`. Also performs `sign()`.

```
if (VS < 0)
    VD = -VT;
else if (VS == 0)
    VD = VS;
else
    VD = VT;
```

Add operations for double precision, no clamping:

`vaddc:` $VD = VS + VT$, set `VCO` with carry out and not equal.

`vsubc:` $VD = VS - VT$, set `VCO` with borrow out and not equal.

`vsar:` read the accumulator and write to `VD`, and write the accumulator with the contents of `VS`. `VT` is ignored. The high, middle, or low 16 bits of the accumulator are selected by the *element* (corresponding to element values of 0, 1, and 2, respectively). No clamping is performed. `vsar` is useful for diagnostics and extended precision.

Vector Add Examples

The following code fragments illustrate various adds. In this section, the following notation is used:

- `I` is a signed 16-bit integer.
- `F` is an unsigned 16-bit fraction.
- `IF` is a 32-bit number, with the signed upper 16 bits contained in one register, and the unsigned lower 16 bits contained in a second register.
- `_int` is a named vector register holding a signed 16 bit number.
- `_frac` is a named vector register holding an unsigned 16 bit fraction.
- `dev_null` is a named vector register containing all zeros.

This code demonstrates a double-precision add:

```
vaddc    res_frac, s_frac, t_frac
vadd     res_int, s_int, t_int
```

This code demonstrates a double-precision subtract:

```
vsubc    res_frac, s_frac, t_frac
vsub     res_int, s_int, t_int
```

This code demonstrates reading the accumulator using `vsar`, following a multiply:

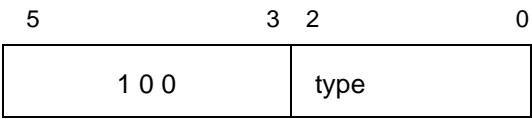
```
vmadh res_int, s_int, t_int
vsar res_int, s_int, t_int[0]
vsar res_frac, s_frac, t_frac[1]
```

Other combinations are left as an exercise to the reader.

VU Select Instructions

The VU select operations compare pairs of vector elements and choose which one to write, based on the outcome of the test.

Figure 3-12 VU Select Opcode Encoding



Instruction fields are:

Element: Vector or scalar element of *vt*.

Type: One of the following operations:

Table 3-6 VU Select Type Encoding

Type	Instruction
0 0 0	vlt
0 0 1	veq
0 1 0	vne
0 1 1	vge
1 0 0	vcl
1 0 1	vch
1 1 0	vcr
1 1 1	vmrg

Select compares perform an element by element comparison of *vs* and *vt*, using *VCO* as input, clearing *VCO*, setting *VCC* with the result of comparison, and storing the element for which the comparison is true to *vd*.

vlt: VS < VT

veq: VS == VT

vne:	VS!= VT
vge:	VS >= VT
vch:	Clip test, single precision or high half of double precision.
vcl:	Clip test, low half of double precision.
vcr:	1's complement clamp.
vmrg:	VD = VS or VT selected by VCC, VCO is ignored.

Note: To implement comparisons which are not supplied, the 'vle' compare can be performed by vge after swapping *vs* and *vt* operands; similarly, 'vgt' by vlt. If *vt* is scalar, the value can be decremented and then 'vgt' is performed by vge, and 'vle' by vlt.

Select merge instructions select elements of *vs* or *vt* based on the contents of the VCC and write the element to *vd*. Merge is useful for selecting several different operands from one comparison or after loading VCC with a bit field.

Double precision comparisons are supported in combination with the VCO register set by *vsubc*.

The compare operations use the contents of VCO as input and clear VCO. Usually VCO was previously set by a *vsubc* instruction, with a negative (carry) or not equal status bit for each element of the vector, so double precision (32 bit) compares can be accomplished.

The compares (ignoring VCO for the moment) are equivalent to

```
for (i=0; i<8; i++) {
    if (VS[i] condition VT[i])
        VCC |= (1<<i);
    else
        VCC &= ~(1<<i);
    VD[i] = (VCC & (1 << i)) ? VS[i] : VT[i];
}
```

Compares other than *vch*/*vcl*/*vcr* clear the upper 8 bits of VCC.

The merge is equivalent to

```
for (i=0; i<8; i++)
    VD[i] = (VCC & (1 << i)) ? VS[i] : VT[i];
```

Note that `vmrg` uses the low 8 bits of `VCC`, the upper 8 as set by `vc1/vcr` are ignored.

The results of a compare in `VCC` are available to a following `vmrg` instruction using `VCC` without pipeline delays. `VCC` can also be accessed by the SU with VU move instructions (`ctc2/cfc2`) for other processing such as accumulation, branching, or patterning. `VCC` is only modified by compare or VU move instructions.

The `vch` and `vc1` (Clip test) comparisons are an optimization for comparing the elements of a vector `vs` to a scalar element in `vt`, or the vector `vt`, such as comparing `w` to `xyz`, or clamping a vector to a +/- range. `vch` performs $(-VT \geq VS \geq VT)$ generating 16 bits in `VCC` and updating `VCO` and `VCE` with equal and sign values. The `vch` is used for singled precision (16 bit) operands. For double precision, `vch` is performed first on the upper 16 bits, followed by a `vc1` instruction on the lower 16 bits. `vc1` reads and writes `VCO`, `VCC`, and `VCE`. Because only one of the two comparisons per element can be true, `vch/vc1` can be executed in one comparison per vector element. The XOR of the sign of `vs` and `vt` is used to select the arithmetic operation used for the comparison, such as

```
if ((VS[i] ^ VT[i]) < 0) {
    VCC |= ((VT[i] >> 16) & 1) << i;
    if (VS[i] <= -VT[i]) {
        VCC |= 256<<i;
        VD[i] = -VT[i];
    } else
        VD[i] = VS[i];
} else {
    VCC |= ((VT[i] >> 8) & 256) << i;
    if (VS[i] >= VT[i]) {
        VCC |= 1<<i;
        VD[i] = VT[i];
    } else
        VD[i] = VS[i];
}
```

For each element of `vs`, one of two bits meaning $\leq -VT$ or $\geq VT$ is set in `VCC`, for example, bit 8 is one if the first element of `vs` is $\leq -VT$, bit 0 is one if the first element of `vs` is $\geq VT$, bit 9 is set if the second element of `vs` is $\leq -VT$, etc. If the `vch/vc1` comparison is true, either $-vt$ or `vt` is written to `vd` based on the sign of `vs`, else `vs` is written.

Note: For single precision `vch` not followed by a `vcl`, `VCO` must be set before another compare (by a move, add, or compare whose results are not meaningful).

The `vcr` instruction is similar to `vcl`, except that `vt` is a 1's complement instead of 2's complement number, such as for clamping to a power of 2. `vcr` is only single precision and ignores the contents of `VCO` for input.

Vector Select Examples

The following code fragments illustrate various vector selects.

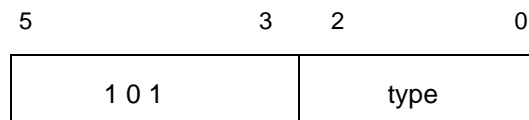
This code demonstrates a sort of the parallel elements within three vectors (finding the `min`, `mid`, and `max` of 8 triples). After executing this code, `min` will contain the smallest elements, `max` will contain the largest, and `mid` will contain the intermediate elements:

```
vge    tmp1, min, mid
vlt    min, min, mid
vge    tmp2, min, max
vlt    min, min, max
vge    max, tmp1, tmp2
vlt    mid, tmp1, tmp2
```

This code demonstrates the generation of 3D clip codes for trivial rejection, testing each `x, y, z` component against `w`. It also uses vector halves, clip-testing two vertices at the same time (the first vertex is in elements 0-3, the second in elements 4-7):

```
vch    vtmp, vout_int, vout_int[3h] # compare with w
vcl    vtmp, vout_frac, vout_frac[3h]
cfc2   $1, $vcc                    # get clip codes
```

Other combinations are left as an exercise to the reader.

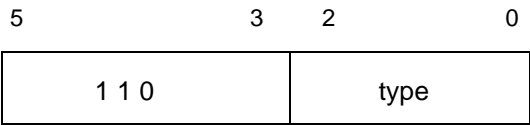


Type	Instruction
0 0 0	vand
0 0 1	vnand
0 1 0	vor
0 1 1	vnor
1 0 0	vxor
1 0 1	vnxor

VU Divide Instructions

The VU divide instructions compute the reciprocal of a scalar element of a vector register.

Figure 3-14 VU Divide Opcode Encoding



The divide instructions are two operand, *vd* and *vt*. An element specification must be provided for each operand, selecting the source and destination elements, for example:

```
vmov $v1[5], $v2[0]
```

Instruction fields are:

Element: Must be a single scalar element of the whole vector *vt*.

vs: The scalar element of *vd* is encoded as *vs*.

Type: One of the following operations:

Table 3-8 VU Divide Type Encoding

Type	Instruction
0 0 0	vrcp
0 0 1	vrcpl
0 1 0	vrcph
0 1 1	vmov
1 0 0	vrsq
1 0 1	vrsql
1 1 0	vrsqh
1 1 1	vnop

The reciprocal (*rcp*) or reciprocal of the square root (*rsq*) of the scalar element of *vt* is computed by table lookup and written to the scalar element of *vd*.

The scalar element of *vd* is selected by the register number *vs* (0-7). Not the contents of *vs*, but the instruction field *vs* bits.

Single (16 bit) and double (32 bit) precision source values are supported, with double precision sources supplied in two instructions.

The destination is a 32 bit value, written to two register elements in two instructions.

For single precision sources, *vrcp/vrsq* supplies the source operand in *vt[element]* and the low 16 bits of the result is written to *vd[vs]*. The upper 16 bits of the result is written by a subsequent *vrcph/vrsqh*.

For double precision sources, *vrcph/vrsqh* supplies the upper 16 bits of the source (and writes the upper 16 bits of a previous *vrcp/vrsq* or *vrcpl/vrsql*). A subsequent *vrcpl/vrsql* supplies the low 16 bits of the source and writes the low 16 bits of the result.

The *vmov* type simply copies *vt[element]* to *vd[vs]*, and is useful for reordering scalar data.

vnop ignores *vd*, and no register is written.

The following table shows the source and destination operand bits from each the *vt* and *vd* elements.

Table 3-9 VU Divide Instruction Summary

Type	<i>vt[element]</i>	<i>vd[vs]</i>	
<i>vnop</i>		NA	no operation
<i>vmov</i>			write source to result
<i>vrcp, vrsq</i>	low	low	lookup source and write result
<i>vrcph, vrsqh</i>	high	high	set source, write previous result

Type	$vt[element]$	$vd[vs]$	
<code>vrcpl</code> , <code>vrsql</code>	low	low	lookup source and previous, write result

Reciprocal Table Lookup

The results are computed by a table lookup using 10 bits of precision. The input is shifted up to remove leading 0's (or 1's) (actually, the first non-leading digit is also removed, since we know what it is) and the next 10 bits are used to index into the reciprocal table. The 16 bits in the table at this index are used to construct the result, which is obtained by shifting down an appropriate number of bits and possibly complementing (for negative input).

For `rcp`, the radix point of the output is shifted right compared to the input. For example, for double precision `rcp`, with input format `S15.16`, the output result will be `S16.15`, requiring the result to be multiplied by 2 in order to maintain the same format.

For `rsq`, the radix point moves to the left by one-half the number of integer bits. Think of it this way:

$$input = a \times 2^k$$

and:

$$table = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a} \times 2^k}$$

so we need to also take the `sqrt` of the exponent:

$$result = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a} \times 2^{\frac{k}{2}}}$$

so the result does *not* have the same radix point as the input.

Higher Precision Results

Algorithms which require higher precision can perform Newton-Raphson iteration on the result, such as:

```
R' = R*(2-R*X); /* for VRCP */
```

or

```
R' = R*(3-R*X)/2; /* for VRSQ */
```

Several divide results can be assembled into two vector registers, the high and low double precision reciprocal, for parallel Newton's iteration. Square root can be performed by multiplying the result of `vrsq` by the source operand:

```
sqrt(X) = X * 1/sqrt(X);
```

Vector Divide Examples

The following code illustrates several vector divide operations. In this section, the following notation is used:

- `I` is a signed 16-bit integer.
- `F` is an unsigned 16-bit fraction.
- `IF` is a 32-bit number, with the signed upper 16 bits contained in one register, and the unsigned lower 16 bits contained in a second register.
- `_int` is a named vector register holding a signed 16 bit number.

- `_frac` is a named vector register holding an unsigned 16 bit fraction.
- `dev_null` is a named vector register containing all zeros.

A single precision reciprocal:

```
vrcp    sres_frac[0], s_int[0]
vrcph   sres_int[0], dev_null[0]
```

A double precision reciprocal:

```
vrcph   sres_int[0], s_int[0]
vrcpl   sres_frac[0], s_frac[0]
vrcph   sres_int[0], dev_null[0]
```

Multiple calculations can be chained together:

```
vrcph   sres_int[0], s_int[0]
vrcpl   sres_frac[0], s_frac[0]
vrcph   sres_int[0], t_int[0]
vrcpl   tres_frac[0], t_frac[0]
vrcph   tres_int[0], dev_null[0]
```

In the above cases, the input format was S15.16, so after the reciprocal the radix point moves to the right, so we must shift by 1 (multiply by 2.0) in order to correct the result:

```
vmudn   sres_frac, sres_frac, vconst[2] # constant of 2
vmadm   sres_int, sres_int, vconst[2]
vmadn   sres_frac, dev_null, dev_null[0]
```

Square root reciprocals are similar. Note the adjustment of the radix point after the reciprocal calculation:

```
# double precision:
vrsqh   dres_int[0], t_int[0]
vrsql   dres_frac[0], t_frac[0]
vrsqh   dres_int[0], vconst[0]

# generate constant to shift radix point:
addi    $1, $0, 0x200
mtc2    $1, vconst[6]

# shift right by 8 bits.
vmudl   dres_frac, dres_frac, vconst[3]
```

```
vmadm dres_int, dres_int, vconst[3]  
vmadn dres_frac, vconst, vconst[0]
```


RSP Coprocessor 0

This chapter describes the RSP Coprocessor 0, or system control coprocessor.

The RSP Coprocessor 0 does not perform the same functions or have the same registers as the R4000-series Coprocessor 0. In the RSP, Coprocessor 0 is used to control the DMA (Direct Memory Access) engine, RSP status, RDP status, and RDP I/O.

Register Descriptions

RSP Point of View

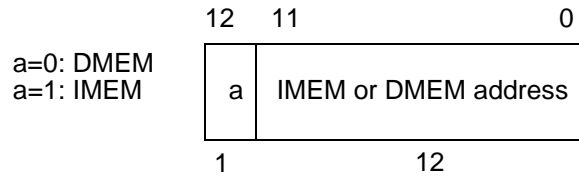
RSP Coprocessor 0 registers are programmed using the `mtc0` and `mtf0` instructions which move data between the SU general purpose registers and the coprocessor 0 registers.

Table 4-1 RSP Coprocessor 0 Registers

Register Number	Name Defined in <code>rsp.h</code>	Access Mode	Description
\$c0	DMA_CACHE	RW	I/DMEM address for DMA.
\$c1	DMA_DRAM	RW	DRAM address for DMA.
\$c2	DMA_READ_LENGTH	RW	DMA READ length (DRAM → I/DMEM).
\$c3	DMA_WRITE_LENGTH	RW	DMA WRITE length (DRAM ← I/DMEM).
\$c4	SP_STATUS	RW	RSP Status.
\$c5	DMA_FULL	R	DMA full.
\$c6	DMA_BUSY	R	DMA busy.
\$c7	SP_RESERVED	RW	CPU-RSP Semaphore.
\$c8	CMD_START	RW	RDP command buffer START.
\$c9	CMD_END	RW	RDP command buffer END.
\$c10	CMD_CURRENT	R	RDP command buffer CURRENT.
\$c11	CMD_STATUS	RW	RDP Status.
\$c12	CMD_CLOCK	RW	RDP clock counter.
\$c13	CMD_BUSY	R	RDP command buffer BUSY.
\$c14	CMD_PIPE_BUSY	R	RDP pipe BUSY.
\$c15	CMD_TMEM_BUSY	R	RDP TMEM BUSY.

\$c0

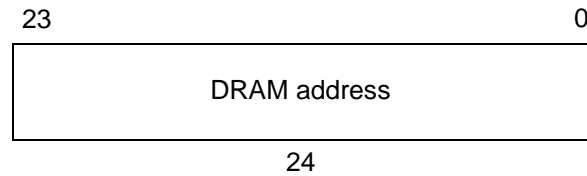
This register holds the RSP IMEM or DMEM address for a DMA transfer.



On power-up, this register is 0x0.

\$c1

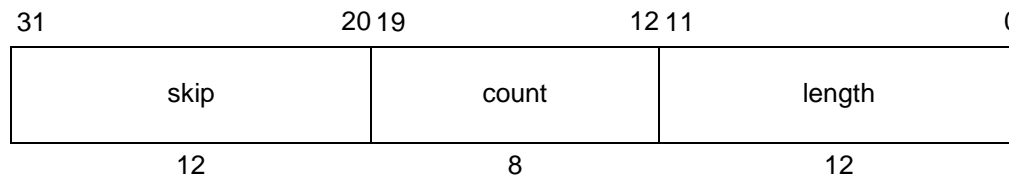
This register holds the DRAM address for a DMA transfer. This is a physical memory address.



On power-up, this register is 0x0.

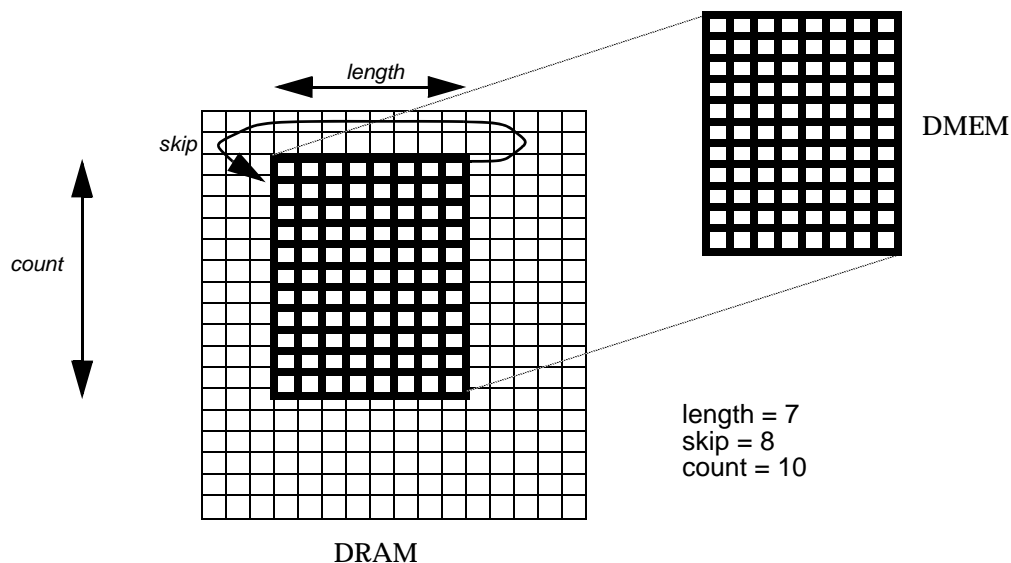
\$c2, \$c3

These registers hold the DMA transfer length; \$c2 is used for a READ, \$c3 is used for a WRITE.



The three fields of this register are used to encode arbitrary transfers of rectangular areas of DRAM to/from contiguous I/DMEM. *length* is the number of bytes per line to transfer, *count* is the number of lines, and *skip* is the line stride, or skip value between lines. This is illustrated in Figure 4-1:

Figure 4-1 DMA Transfer Length Encoding



Note: DMA *length* and line *count* are encoded as (value - 1), that is a line *count* of 0 means 1 line, a byte *length* of 7 means 8 bytes, etc.

A straightforward linear transfer will have a count of 0 and skip of 0, transferring (length+1) bytes.

The amount of data transferred must be a multiple of 8 bytes (64 bits), hence the lower three bits of *length* are ignored and assumed to be all 1's.

DMA transfer begins when the length register is written.

For more information about DMA transfers, see section “DMA” on page 96.

On power-up, these registers are 0x0.

\$c4

This register holds the RSP status.

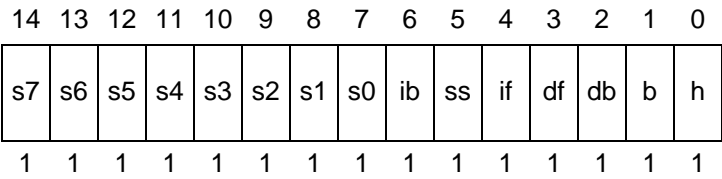


Table 4-2 RSP Status Register

bit	field	Access Mode	Description
0	h	RW	RSP is halted.
1	b	R	RSP has encountered a <i>break</i> instruction.
2	db	R	DMA is busy.
3	df	R	DMA is full.
4	if	R	IO is full.
5	ss	RW	RSP is in single-step mode.
6	ib	RW	Interrupt on break.
7	s0	RW	signal 0 is set.
8	s1	RW	signal 1 is set.
9	s2	RW	signal 2 is set.
10	s3	RW	signal 3 is set.
11	s4	RW	signal 4 is set.
12	s5	RW	signal 5 is set.
13	s6	RW	signal 6 is set.
14	s7	RW	signal 7 is set.

The 'broke', 'single-step', and 'interrupt on break' bits are used by the debugger.

The signal bits can be used for user-defined synchronization between the CPU and the RSP.

On power-up, this register contains 0x0001.

When writing the RSP status register, the following bits are used.

Table 4-3 RSP Status Write Bits

bit	Description
0 (0x00000001)	clear HALT.
1 (0x00000002)	set HALT.
2 (0x00000004)	clear BROKE.
3 (0x00000008)	clear RSP interrupt.
4 (0x00000010)	set RSP interrupt.
5 (0x00000020)	clear SINGLE STEP.
6 (0x00000040)	set SINGLE STEP.
7 (0x00000080)	clear INTERRUPT ON BREAK.
8 (0x00000100)	set INTERRUPT ON BREAK.
9 (0x00000200)	clear SIGNAL 0

bit	Description
10 (0x00000400)	set SIGNAL 0.
11 (0x00000800)	clear SIGNAL 1.
12 (0x00001000)	set SIGNAL 1.
13 (0x00002000)	clear SIGNAL 2.
14 (0x00004000)	set SIGNAL 2.
15 (0x00008000)	clear SIGNAL 3.
16 (0x00010000)	set SIGNAL 3.
17 (0x00020000)	clear SIGNAL 4.
18 (0x00040000)	set SIGNAL 4.
19 (0x00080000)	clear SIGNAL 5.
20 (0x00100000)	set SIGNAL 5.
21 (0x00200000)	clear SIGNAL 6.
22 (0x00400000)	set SIGNAL 6.
23 (0x00800000)	clear SIGNAL 7.
24 (0x01000000)	set SIGNAL 7.

\$c5

This register maps to bit 3 of the RSP status register, DMA_FULL. It is read only.

On power-up, this register is 0x0.

\$c6

This register maps to bit 2 of the RSP status register, DMA_BUSY. It is read only.

On power-up, this register is 0x0.

\$c7

This register is a hardware semaphore for synchronization with the CPU, typically used to share the DMA activity. If this register is 0, the semaphore may be acquired. This register is set on read, so the test and set is atomic. Writing 0 to this register releases the semaphore.

```
GetSema:
    mfc0    $1, $c7
    bne     $1, $0, GetSema
    nop

    # do critical work

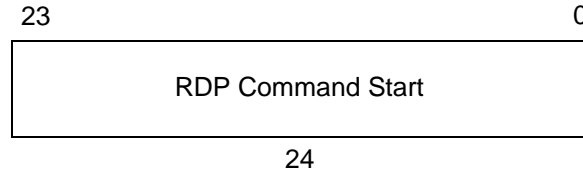
ReleaseSema:
    mtc0    $0, $7
```

On power-up, this register is 0x0.

\$c8

This register holds the RDP command buffer START address. Depending on the state of the RDP STATUS register, this address is interpreted by the RDP

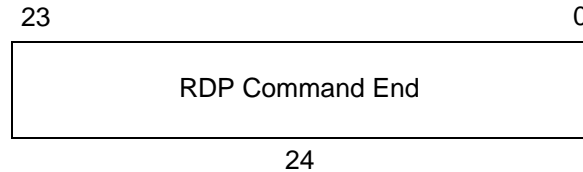
as either a 24 bit physical DRAM address, or a 12 bit DMEM address (see §c11).



On power-up, this register is undefined.

§c9

This register holds the RDP command buffer END address. Depending on the state of the RDP STATUS register, this address is interpreted by the RDP as either a 24 bit physical DRAM address, or a 12 bit DMEM address (see §c11).

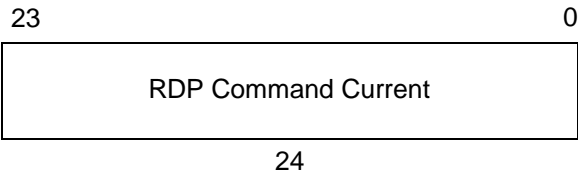


On power-up, this register is undefined.

§c10

This register holds the RDP command buffer CURRENT address. This register is READ ONLY. Depending on the state of the RDP STATUS

register, this address is interpreted by the RDP as either a 24 bit physical DRAM address, or a 12 bit DMEM address (see \$c11).



On power-up, this register is 0x0.

\$c11

This register holds the RDP status.

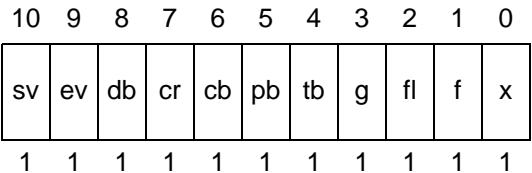


Table 4-4 RDP Status Register

bit	field	Access Mode	Description
0	x	RW	Use XBUS DMEM DMA or DRAM DMA.
1	f	RW	RDP is frozen.
2	fl	RW	RDP is flushed.
3	g	RW	GCLK is alive.
4	tb	R	TMEM is busy.
5	pb	R	RDP PIPELINE is busy.
6	cb	R	RDP COMMAND unit is busy.

bit	field	Access Mode	Description
7	cr	R	RDP COMMAND buffer is ready.
8	db	R	RDP DMA is busy.
9	ev	R	RDP COMMAND END register is valid.
10	sv	R	RDP COMMAND START register is valid.

When bit 0 (XBUS_DMEN_DMA) is set, the RDP command buffer will receive data from DMEM (see \$c8, \$c9, \$c10).

On power-up, the GCLK, PIPE_BUSY, and CMD_BUF_READY bits are set, the DMA_BUSY bit is undefined, and all other bits are 0.

When writing the RDP status register, the following bits are used.

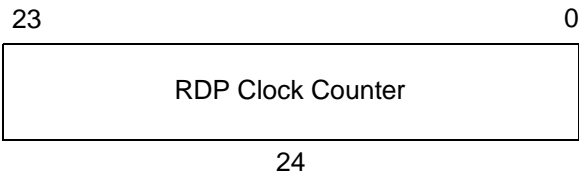
Table 4-5 RSP Status Write Bits (CPU VIEW)

bit	Description
0 (0x0001)	clear XBUS DMEM DMA.
1 (0x0002)	set XBUS DMEM DMA.
2 (0x0004)	clear FREEZE.
3 (0x0008)	set FREEZE.
4 (0x0010)	clear FLUSH.
5 (0x0020)	set FLUSH.
6 (0x0040)	clear TMEM COUNTER.

bit	Description
7 (0x0080)	clear PIPE COUNTER.
8 (0x0100)	clear COMMAND COUNTER.
9 (0x0200)	clear CLOCK COUNTER

\$c12

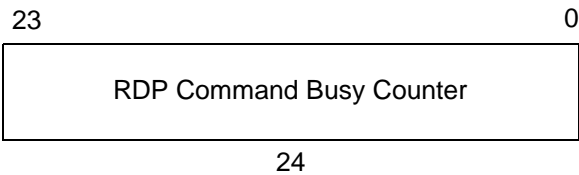
This register holds a clock counter, incremented on each cycle of the RDP clock. This register is READ ONLY.



On power-up, this register is undefined.

\$c13

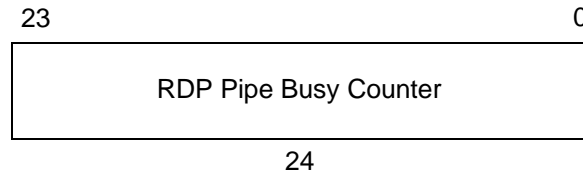
This register holds a RDP command buffer busy counter, incremented on each cycle of the RDP clock while the RDP command buffer is busy. This register is READ ONLY.



On power-up, this register is undefined.

\$c14

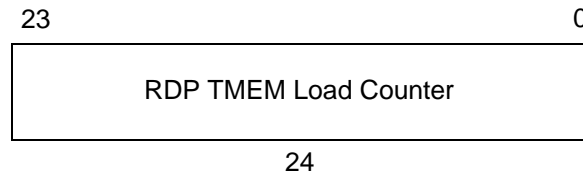
This register holds a RDP pipe busy counter, incremented on each cycle of the RDP clock that the RDP pipeline is busy. This register is READ ONLY.



On power-up, this register is undefined.

\$c15

This register holds a RDP TMEM load counter, incremented on each cycle of the RDP clock while the TMEM is loading. This register is READ ONLY.



On power-up, this register is undefined.

CPU Point of View

The RSP Coprocessor 0 registers (and certain other RSP registers) are memory-mapped into the host CPU address space.

Bit patterns for READ and WRITE access are the same as described in the previous section.

Table 4-6 RSP Coprocessor 0 Registers (CPU VIEW)

Register Number	Address	Access Mode	Description
\$c0	0x04040000	RW	I/DMEM address for DMA.
\$c1	0x04040004	RW	DRAM address for DMA.
\$c2	0x04040008	RW	DMA READ length (DRAM → I/DMEM).
\$c3	0x0404000c	RW	DMA WRITE length (DRAM ← I/DMEM).
\$c4	0x04040010	RW	RSP Status.
\$c5	0x04040014	R	DMA full.
\$c6	0x04040018	R	DMA busy.
\$c7	0x0404001c	RW	CPU-RSP Semaphore.
\$c8	0x04100000	RW	RDP command buffer START.
\$c9	0x04100004	RW	RDP command buffer END.
\$c10	0x04100008	R	RDP command buffer CURRENT.
\$c11	0x0410000c	RW	RDP Status.
\$c12	0x04100010	R	RDP clock counter.
\$c13	0x04100014	R	RDP command buffer BUSY.
\$c14	0x04100018	R	RDP pipe BUSY.
\$c15	0x0410001c	R	RDP TMEM BUSY.

Other RSP Addresses

These are also memory-mapped for the CPU.

Table 4-7 Other RSP Addresses (CPU VIEW)

Address	Access Mode	Description
0x04000000	RW	RSP DMEM (4096 bytes).
0x04001000	RW	RSP IMEM (4096 bytes).
0x04080000	RW	RSP Program Counter (PC), 12 bits.

DMA

All data operated on by the RSP must first be DMA'd into DMEM. RSP programs can also use DMA to load microcode into IMEM.

Note: loading microcode on top of the currently executing code at the PC will result in undefined behavior.

Alignment Restrictions

All data sources and destinations for DMA transfers must be aligned to 8 bytes (64 bits), in both DRAM and I/DMEM.

Transfer lengths must be multiples of 8 bytes (64 bits).

Timing

Peak transfer rate is 8 bytes (64 bits) per cycle. There is a DMA setup overhead of 6-12 clocks, so longer transfers are more efficient.

IMEM and DMEM are single-ported memories, so accesses during DMA transfers will impact performance.

DMA Full

The DMA registers are double-buffered, having one pending request and one current active request. The DMA FULL condition means that there is an active request and a pending request, so no more requests can be serviced.

DMA Wait

Waiting for DMA completion is under complete programmer control. When DMA_BUSY is cleared, the transaction is complete.

If there is a pending DMA transaction, this transaction will be serviced before DMA_BUSY is cleared.

DMA Addressing Bits

Since all DMA accesses must be 64-bit aligned, the lower three bits of source and destination addresses are ignored and assumed to be all 0's.

Transfer lengths are encoded as (length - 1), so the lower three bits of the length are ignored and assumed to be all 1's.

The DMA LENGTH registers can be programmed with a line count and line stride, to transfer arbitrary rectangular pieces of memory (such as a portion of an image). See Figure 4-1, "DMA Transfer Length Encoding," on page 84, for more information.

CPU Semaphore

The CPU-RSP semaphore should be used to share DMA resources. Since the CPU could possibly DMA data to/from the RSP while the RSP is running, this semaphore is necessary to share the DMA engine.

Note: The current graphics and audio microcode assume the CPU will not be DMA'ing data to/from the RSP while the RSP is running. This eliminates the need to check the semaphore (on the RSP side), saving a few instructions.

DMA Examples

The following examples illustrate programming RSP DMA transactions:

Figure 4-2 DMA Read/Write Example

```
#####
# Procedure to do DMA reads/writes.
# Registers:
#     $20      mem_addr
#     $19      dram_addr
#     $18      dma_len
#     $17      iswrite?
#     $11      used as tmp
.name mem_addr,      $20
.name dram_addr,     $19
.name dma_len,       $18
.name iswrite,       $17
.name tmp,           $11

DMAproc: # request DMA access: (get semaphore)
        mfc0    tmp, SP_RESERVED
        bne     tmp, zero, DMAproc
        # note delay slot
DMAFull: # wait for not FULL:
        mfc0    tmp, DMA_FULL
        bne     tmp, zero, DMAFull
        nop
        # set DMA registers:
        mtc0    mem_addr, DMA_CACHE
        # handle writes:
        bgtz    iswrite, DMAWrite
        mtc0    dram_addr, DMA_DRAM
        j       DMADone
        mtc0    dma_len, DMA_READ_LENGTH
DMAWrite:
        mtc0    dma_len, DMA_WRITE_LENGTH
DMADone:
        jr      return
        # clear semaphore, delay slot
        mtc0    zero, SP_RESERVED
.unname mem_addr
.unname dram_addr
.unname dma_len
.unname iswrite
.unname tmp
#
#####
```

Figure 4-3 DMA Wait Example

```
#####
# Procedure to do DMA waits.
#
# Registers:
#
#      $11      used as tmp
#
.name    tmp,    $11

DMAwait:
    # request DMA access: (get semaphore)
    mfc0      tmp, SP_RESERVED
    bne      tmp, zero, DMAwait
    # note delay slot

    WaitSpin:
        mfc0      tmp, DMA_BUSY
        bne      tmp, zero, WaitSpin
        nop
        jr      return
        # clear semaphore, delay slot
        mtc0      zero, SP_RESERVED

.unname tmp
#
#
#####
```

Controlling the RDP

The RDP has an independent DMA engine which reads commands from DMEM or DRAM into the command buffer. The RDP command buffer registers are programmed to direct the RDP from where to read the command data.

How to Control the RDP Command FIFO

RDP commands are transferred from memory to the command buffer by the RDP's DMA engine.

The RDP command buffer logic examines the `CMD_CURRENT` and `CMD_END` registers and will transfer data, 8 bytes (64 bits) at a time, advancing `CMD_CURRENT`, until `CMD_CURRENT` = `CMD_END`.

`CMD_START` and `CMD_END` registers are double buffered, so they can be updated asynchronously by the RSP or CPU while the RDP is transferring data. Writing to these registers will set the `START_VALID` and/or `END_VALID` bits in the RDP status register, signaling the RDP to use the new pointers once the current transfer is complete.

When a new `CMD_START` pointer is used, `CMD_CURRENT` is reset to `CMD_START`.

Algorithm to program the RDP Command FIFO:

- start with `CMD_START` and `CMD_END` set to the same initial value.
- write RDP commands to memory, beginning at `CMD_START`.
- when an integral number of RDP commands have been stored to memory, advance `CMD_END` (`CMD_END` should point to the *next* byte after the RDP command).
- keep advancing `CMD_END` as subsequent RDP commands are stored to memory.

Examples

The XBUS is a direct memory path between the RSP (and DMEM) and the RDP. This example uses a portion of DMEM as a circular FIFO to send data to the RDP.

This example uses an “open” and “close” interface; the “open” reserves space in the circular buffer, then the data is written, the “close” advances the RDP command buffer registers.

The first code fragment illustrates the initial conditions for the RDP command buffer registers.

Figure 4-4 RDP Initialization Using the XBUS

```
# XBUS initialization
addi    $4, zero, DPC_SET_XBUS_DMEM_DMA
addi    outp, zero, 0x1000 # DP init conditions
mtc0    $4, CMD_STATUS
mtc0    outp, CMD_START
mtc0    outp, CMD_END
```

The `OutputOpen` function contains the most complicated part of the algorithm, handling the “wrapping” condition of the circular FIFO. The wrapping condition waits for `CMD_CURRENT` to advance before re-programming new `CMD_START` and `CMD_END` registers.

Figure 4-5 OutputOpen Function Using the XBUS

```

.name    dmemp,    $20
.name    dramp,    $19
.name    outsz,    $18 # caller sets to max size of write
# open(size) - wait for size avail in
#             ring buffer.
#             - possibly handle wrap
#             - wait for 'current' to get
#             out of the way
.ent     OutputOpen
OutputOpen: # check if the packet will fit in the buffer
            addi    dramp, zero, (RSP_OUTPUT_OFFSET
                                + RSP_OUTPUT_SIZE8)
            add     dmemp, outp, outsz
            sub     dramp, dramp, dmemp
            bgez    dramp, CurrentFit
            nop
WrapBuffer: # packet won't fit, wait for current to wrap
            mfc0    dramp, CMD_STATUS
            andi    dramp, dramp, 0x0400
            bne     dramp, zero, WrapBuffer
AdvanceCurrent: # wait for current to advance
            mfc0    dramp, CMD_CURRENT
            addi    outp, zero, RSP_OUTPUT_OFFSET
            beq     dramp, outp, AdvanceCurrent
            nop
            mtc0    outp, CMD_START # reset START
CurrentFit: # done if current_address <= outp
            mfc0    dramp, CMD_CURRENT
            sub     dmemp, outp, dramp
            bgez    dmemp, OpenDone

            # loop if current_address <= (outp + outsz)
            add     dmemp, outp, outsz
            sub     dramp, dmemp, dramp
            bgez    dramp, CurrentFit
            nop
OpenDone:
            jr      return
            nop
            .end    OutputOpen

```

After calling `OutputOpen`, the program writes the RDP commands to DMEM, advancing `outp`. Once the complete RDP command is written to DMEM, `OutputClose` is called.

Figure 4-6 `OutputClose` Function Using the XBUS

```
#####
# OutputClose
#####
                .ent    OutputClose
OutputClose:
    #
    # XBUS RDP output
    #
                jr      return
                mtc0    outp, CMD_END
                .end    OutputClose
.unname outsz
.unname dramp
.unname dmemp
```


RSP Assembly Language

This chapter describes the RSP Assembly Language, as accepted by the *rspasm* assembler.

Although different in many fundamental ways, there are some similarities with the MIPS assembly language, described in the document “*MIPSPro Assembly Language Programmer’s Guide*” (Order number 007-2418-001). The reader is encouraged to be familiar with this document, as we will occasionally use it as a frame of reference to describe the RSP assembly language.

The machine language format of the RSP instructions is based on the R4000 instruction set; the reader is referred to the “*MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User’s Manual*”¹ for additional information.

In the following chapter, “the assembler” refers to the *rspasm* assembler.

¹ Heinrich, J., “*MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User’s Manual*”, Prentice Hall Publishing, 1993, ISBN 0-13-1-5925-4.

Different From Other MIPS Assembly Languages

Why?

Although the RSP uses the R4000 architecture, it is a specialized processor designed for a special purpose. The assembly language is similarly restricted, and does not require the full richness of the MIPS Assembly Language.

In particular, MIPS Assembly Language is designed to be generated by C, Fortran, and Pascal compilers; it therefore lacks many functions of an assembly language designed for human programmers, as well as having extra constructs in order to support these compilers.

The RSP also has limited resources, most notably only 1K instructions of IMEM. RSP programs by definition must be small and highly optimized, so a simpler assembly language is well-suited.

The RSP is also a proprietary processor, its implementation and programming interface is not publicly available. The RSP programming interface is designed to be incompatible with other MIPS products.

Major Differences from the R4000 Instruction Set

The scalar unit (SU) instruction set uses only a subset of the R4000 instruction set. See “Missing Instructions” on page 27.

The “pseudo-opcodes” or assembly directives are different from the MIPS Assembly Language. Many of the MIPS directives that are designed for high-level program flow, compilers, or large objects are not necessary. Likewise, we have added many new directives to make the language more human-friendly (register naming, compile-time diagnostics, etc.).

The machine instructions for the RSP vector unit (VU) instructions use the MIPS coprocessor extensions. For ease of programming, we have adopted friendlier mnemonics and a less “coprocessor-like” syntax for their use.

Syntax

Tokens

The assembler has these tokens:

- identifiers
- constants
- operators

The assembler lets you put whitespace (blank characters, tabs, or newlines) anywhere between tokens. Whitespace must separate adjacent identifiers or constants that are not otherwise separated (by an expression operator, for instance).

Multiple statements per line are permitted, as are single statements which span multiple lines.

Identifiers

An identifier consists of a case-sensitive sequence of alphanumeric characters, plus the underscore (`_`) character.

Identifiers can be up to 31 characters long, and the first character must be alphabetic.

The value of an identifier can be set explicitly with the `.symbol` directive.

Constants

The assembler supports the following types of constants. All numeric constants are interpreted as two's complement numbers.

- Decimal constants, which consist of a sequence of decimal digits `[0123456789]*` without a leading 0.

- Hexadecimal constants, which consist of the characters `0x` (or `0X`) followed by a sequence of hexadecimal digits `[0123456789abcdefABCDEF]*`.
- Octal constants, which consist of a leading zero followed by a sequence of octal digits `[01234567]*`.
- String constants, which consist of any sequence of alphanumeric characters (except double quotes) enclosed in double quotes. String constants are only used for the `.print` directive.

Operators

The following tokens comprise the list of operators:

- Instruction mnemonics, a sequence of *lowercase* alphanumeric characters that correspond to the opcodes listed in Appendix A, “RSP Instruction Set Details.”
- Directive mnemonics, a sequence of *lowercase* alphabetic characters that correspond to the list in “Assembly Directives” on page 114.
- Expression operators: `+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `%`, `~`, `^`, `&`, `|`, `<<`, `>>`
- Other character sequences that make up the instruction syntax, such as square brackets `[]`, parentheses `()`, the colon `:`, the comma `,`, and the period `.`.

Comments

The assembler accepts three forms of comments:

- C-like comments, `/* . . . */`. Anything between the beginning and ending C comment sequence is ignored. (Note: if *cpp* is used before assembly, *cpp* will remove these comments before the assembler can parse them)
- # comments. Anything from the `#` to the end of the line is ignored. (Note: comments with the `#` in column one will confuse the C pre-processor, *cpp*, if it is invoked on the source code before assembly)

- `;` comments. Anything from the `' ; '` to the end of the line is ignored.

Program Sections

An RSP program has only two sections, a text section (`.text`) and a data section (`.data`).

The text section is assembled in sequence, with only one base address for assembly (see `.text` directive).

The data section is built up in sequence, however multiple data section base addresses are permitted (see `.data` directive).

A program may switch between text and data segments many times, using `.text` or `.data` directives without base addresses.

Labels

A label is an identifier with a colon (`:`) appended. There can be no whitespace between the identifier and the colon. Labels can be used as program labels (targets of branching instructions) or in the data segment to define DMEM addresses (and later used as constants or in expressions).

Multiple consecutive labels in the data section are permitted, they evaluate to the same value.

Multiple consecutive labels in the text section are not permitted.

Labels in the text section can also be followed by directives. In this case, the value of the label is the address of the next executable instruction.

Keywords

Reserved keywords include all operators listed in the section “Operators” on page 108.

Reserved keywords cannot be used as identifiers.

If the assembly source code is passed through another program (such as a macro pre-processor like *m4*), additional reserved keywords may be implied, if they are reserved by that program.

Expressions

An expression is a sequence of symbols that represent a value. All assembler expressions evaluate to an integer data type. The assembler does arithmetic with two's complement integers using 32 bits of precision. Expressions follow precedence rules and consist of:

- Expression Operators
- Identifiers
- Constants

Expression Operators

The list of expression operators include:

Table 5-1 Expression Operators

Operator	Meaning
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
%	Remainder (or Modulo)
<<	Shift Left
>>	Shift Right (NOT sign extended)
^	Bitwise EXCLUSIVE OR
&	Bitwise AND
	Bitwise OR
~	Bitwise COMPLEMENT

Table 5-1 Expression Operators

Operator	Meaning
-	Minus (unary)
+	Plus (unary)

Precedence

Expressions can be grouped with parentheses (recommended) or you can rely on the following precedence rules:

Table 5-2 Expression Operator Precedence

least binding, lowest precedence:	binary +, -
. . .	binary *, /, %, <<, >>, ^, &,
most binding, highest precedence	unary +, -, ~

Note: The expression operator precedence differs from that of the C programming language.

Expression Restrictions

The simplified assembly language of the RSP imposes certain restrictions upon the use of expressions:

- Any identifier used in an expression must be defined before use. The expression is evaluated at parsing time, it cannot be delayed until the value of a forward-referencing symbol is determined.
- Identifiers cannot be used in expressions used as a branch target or as a vector register element.
- Identifiers cannot be used in expressions used in conjunction with the data initialization directives (.word, .half, .byte).

Note: Identifiers *by themselves* can be used as values for the .word and .half directives, including forward-referencing identifiers (this is a special case). Note that you can assign an

expression to a temporary identifier using the `.symbol` directive, then use this temporary identifier *by itself* to initialize a data directive.

Throughout this document, expressions that cannot contain identifiers are referred to as *iexpressions* (integer expressions).

Registers

The syntax for referring to the scalar unit (SU) registers is a dollar sign (\$), followed by an integer in the range of 0 . . . 31. No whitespace between the dollar sign and the integer is permitted.

The syntax for referring to the vector unit (VU) registers is a dollar sign (\$), followed by a 'v', followed by an integer in the range of 0 . . . 31. No whitespace between the dollar sign, the 'v', and the integer is permitted.

The syntax for referring to the coprocessor 0 control registers is a dollar sign (\$), followed by a 'c', followed by an integer in the range of 0 . . . 31. No whitespace between the dollar sign, the 'c', and the integer is permitted.

Registers can be named using the `.name` directive, associating an identifier with a scalar register, vector register, or control register.

The following special built-in register names are also available:

- `$sp` is scalar register \$29
- `$at` is scalar register \$1
- `$ra` is scalar register \$31
- `$s8` is scalar register \$30
- `$vco` is the vector control register `VCO`
- `$vcc` is the vector control register `VCC`
- `$vce` is the vector control register `VCE`

Vector Register Element Syntax

In some circumstances, a scalar element of a vector register may be specified. These circumstances include the target register of most vector computational instructions and the source/destination register of all vector loads, stores, and moves.

For vector computational instructions, a vector register element syntax is one of:

- an integer (or integer expression) in the range 0 . . . 7, enclosed by square brackets ([]), representing the ordinal index of one of the 8 16-bit vector elements of the register.
- an integer (or integer expression) in the range 0 . . . 3, followed by the letter 'h', enclosed by square brackets ([]), representing the ordinal index of one of the 4 16-bit vector elements of the register halves.
- an integer (or integer expression) in the range 0 . . . 1, followed by the letter 'q', enclosed by square brackets ([]), representing the ordinal index of one of the 2 16-bit vector elements of the register quarters.

For vector loads, stores, and moves, the vector register element syntax is as follows:

- an integer (or integer expression) in the range 0 . . . 15, enclosed by square brackets ([]), representing which of the 16 bytes of the register to use as a source or destination.

In any case where a vector element may optionally be specified, but is not, a 0 is assumed.

Additional usage of vector register element syntax is explained along with the instructions that use them in a later chapter.

Program Statements

A program statement consists of an optional label, an operator keyword, and the operand(s). The operator may be a scalar instruction or a vector instruction.

Assembly Directives

Directives, or ‘pseudo-opcodes’ are instructions to the assembler that are interpreted at compile time. They do not generate executable machine instructions.

They exist to initialize data, direct the compilation, provide error checking, etc.

A directive is a period (.) followed by a sequence of *lowercase* alphabetic characters.

For this section, the following notation is used: An *expression* is a legal assembler expression, which may include identifiers (which have been defined before use). An *iexpression* is an integer expression, an expression composed solely of integers and no identifiers. Optional parameters are enclosed in square brackets []. Conditional parameters are denoted with a vertical bar |.

.align

```
.align iexpression
```

The current location within the text or data section is aligned to the next multiple byte boundary corresponding to the evaluated *iexpression*, possibly adding padding.

For the text section, the only legal evaluations are multiples of 4 bytes.

.bound

```
.bound iexpression
```

This directive performs a check, printing out an error message and aborting the program assembly if the current location within the text or data section is *not* aligned to the next multiple byte boundary corresponding to the evaluated *iexpression*.

.byte

```
.byte iexpression
```

One byte of the data section is allocated and initialized to the value of the *iexpression*.

Since one byte is not sufficient to hold the address of any symbol in DMEM or IMEM, an *identifier* is not permitted.

This directive is only permitted in the data section.

.data

```
.data [expression]
```

Switch to the data section. All data initialization directives must be contained in the data section.

If the optional *expression* is present, it is evaluated and used as the base address to continue packing the data section. Only the least significant 12 bits of the base address is used, since DMEM is only 4K bytes.

Multiple base addresses are permitted, any “holes” between initialized data will remain un-initialized (all 0’s). The assembler keeps track of the maximum address initialized, and all data up to that point (including any holes) will be output.

.dmax

```
.dmax iexpression
```

This directive performs a check, printing out an error message and aborting the program assembly if the current location within the text or data section exceeds the value corresponding to the evaluated *iexpression*.

This is useful during compilation to ensure that you do not exceed IMEM or DMEM limits.

.end

```
.end identifier [, expression]
```

End a procedure. The assembler outputs debugging information for the *gvd* debugger, including the beginning and ending locations of procedures.

.ent

```
.ent identifier [, expression]
```

Begin a procedure. The assembler outputs debugging information for the *gvd* debugger, including the beginning and ending locations of procedures.

.half

```
.half identifier | iexpression
```

Two bytes (one half word) of the data section are allocated and initialized to the value of the *identifier* or the *iexpression*.

The *identifier* may be a forward-referencing symbol which is not defined yet. This is useful for building program jump tables which must be filled in during the second pass of the assembler. In order to accommodate this useful feature, we accept the restriction that any expression used to initialize this data be an *iexpression*, not an *expression*.

Since there are only 4K bytes of IMEM and DMEM, 16-bits is sufficient to hold the address of any symbol.

This directive is only permitted in the data section.

.name

```
.name identifier, register
```

The *identifier* is associated with the *register*.

The register may be a scalar, vector, or control register, and must be specified using proper register syntax.

.print

```
.print string-constant [, expression] [, expression]...
```

The quoted string constant is printed to `stderr` during assembly.

The string constant may contain C-like numeric printf conversions (`%d`, `%x`, etc.) and the *expressions* will be evaluated and printed to `stderr`.

A maximum of four *expressions* are permitted per `.print` directive.

If this directive has a label associated with it, the label cannot be contained in an expression being printed.

.space

```
.space expression
```

If we are in the data section, *expression* number of bytes are allocated and filled with zeros. The new current location in the data section will be equal to the previous location plus *expression* bytes.

If we are in the text section, (*expression* >> 2) number of instructions are padded and filled with nop's, and the new program counter for assembly will be equal to the old program counter plus *expression* bytes.

If we are in the text section, the *expression* should also account for any assembly base, if used.

.symbol

```
.symbol identifier, expression
```

The *identifier* is entered into the symbol table with the value of *expression*.

.text

```
.text [expression]
```

Switch to the text section. All program instructions must be contained in the text section.

If the optional *expression* is present, it is evaluated and used as the base address for assembling the program. Only the least significant 12 bits of the base address is used, since IMEM is only 4K bytes.

Note: If the base address for assembly is changed during the course of compilation, unpredictable results will occur. There should be only one `.text` directive with a base address.

.unname

```
.unname identifier
```

The *identifier* is removed from the symbol table.

Usually this is used to free up a named register when you are finished using it, but it could be used to free up another program identifier.

.word

```
.word identifier | iexpression
```

Four bytes (one word) of the data section are allocated and initialized to the value of the *identifier* or the *iexpression*.

The *identifier* may be a forward-referencing symbol which is not defined yet. This is useful for building program jump tables which must be filled in during the second pass of the assembler. In order to accommodate this useful feature, we accept the restriction that any expression used to initialize this data be an *iexpression*, not an *expression*.

This directive is only permitted in the data section.

BNF Specification of the RSP Assembly Language

This section presents a formal specification of the RSP assembly language using a Backus-Naur Form (BNF). Comments are not shown because they are removed by the parser during token scanning.

<program> ← *<instruction>* / *<program>* *<instruction>*

<instruction> ← *<directive>* /
 <label> *<directive>* /
 <label> *<label>* *<directive>* /
 <scalarInstruction> /
 <label> *<scalarInstruction>* /
 <vectorInstruction> /
 <label> *<vectorInstruction>*

<directive> ← *.align* *<iexpression>* /
 .bound *<iexpression>* /
 .byte *<iexpression>* /
 .data /
 .data *<iexpression>*
 .dmax *<iexpression>*
 .end /
 .end *<identifier>* /
 .ent *<identifier>* /
 .ent *<identifier>*, *<integer>* /
 .half *<identifier>* /
 .half *<iexpression>* /
 .name *<identifier>* , *<scalarRegister>* /
 .name *<identifier>* , *<vectorRegister>* /
 .name *<identifier>* , *<controlRegister>* /
 .print *<qstring>* /
 .print *<qstring>* , *<expression>* /

```
.print <qstring> , <expression> , <expression> /  
.print <qstring> , <expression> , <expression> ,  
      <expression> /  
.print <qstring> , <expression> , <expression> ,  
      <expression> , <expression> /  
.space <expression> /  
.symbol <identifier> , <expression> /  
.text /  
.text <expression> /  
.unname <identifier> /  
.word <identifier> /  
.word <iexpression>
```

```
<scalarInstruction> ← <regOp> <scalarRegister> /  
      <regRegOp> <scalarRegister> /  
      <regRegOp> <scalarRegister> , <scalarRegister> /  
      <regRegOp> <scalarRegister> , <controlRegister> /  
      <regRegRegOp> <scalarRegister> , <scalarRegister> ,  
      <scalarRegister> /  
      <regImmOp> <scalarRegister> , <expression> /  
      <regRegImmOp> <scalarRegister> , <expression> /  
      <regRegImmOp> <scalarRegister> , <scalarRegister> ,  
      <expression> /  
      <regOffsetOp> <scalarRegister> , <expression> /  
      <regOffsetOp> <expression> /  
      <regRegOffsetOp> <scalarRegister> , <scalarRegister> ,  
      <expression> /  
      <regOffsetBaseOp> <scalarRegister> , <expression> (  
      <scalarRegister> ) /  
      <regRegShiftOp> <scalarRegister> , <scalarRegister> ,  
      <expression> /  
      <sRegRegRegOp> <scalarRegister> , <scalarRegister> ,  
      <scalarRegister> /  
      <targetOp> <expression> /
```



```

<vRegsRegOp> <vectorRegister> [ <element> ] ,
               <expression> ( <scalarRegister> ) /
<sRegvRegOp> <scalarRegister> , <vectorRegister> /
<sRegvRegOp> <scalarRegister> , <vectorRegister> [
               <element> ] /
<noOperandOp>

<vectorInstruction> ← <veRegvRegvRegOp> <vectorRegister> ,
                      <vectorRegister> , <vectorRegister> /
                      <veRegvRegvRegOp> <vectorRegister> , <vectorRegister> ,
                      <vectorRegister> [ <element> ] /
                      <vdRegvRegOp> <vectorRegister> [ <element> ] ,
                      <vectorRegister> [ <element> ]

<regOp> ← jr

<regRegRegOp> ← add / addu / and / nor / or / slt / sltu / sub
               / subu / xor

<regImmOp> ← lui

<regRegImmOp> ← addi / addiu / andi / ori / slti / sltiu /
               xori

<regOffsetOp> ← bgez / bgezal / bgtz / blez / bltz / bltzal

<regRegOffsetOp> ← beq / bne

<regOffsetBaseOp> ← lb / lbu / lw / lh / lhu / sb / sh / sw

<regRegShiftOp> ← sll / sra / srl

<sregRegRegOp> ← sllv / srav / srlv

```

<targetOp> ← j / jal

<vRegsRegOp> ← lbv / lsv / llv / ldv / lqv / lrv / lpv / luv /
lhv / lfv / ltv / sbv / ssv / slv / sdv / sqv
/ srv / spv / suv / shv / sfv / swv / stv

<sRegvRegOp> ← mfc2 / cfc2 / mtc2 / ctc2

<noOperandOp> ← nop / vnop / break

<veRegvRegvRegOp> ← vmulf / vmacf / vmulu / vmacu / vrndp /
vrndn / vmulq / vmacq / vmudh / vmadh /
vmudm / vmadm / vmudn / vmadn / vmudl /
vmadl / vadd / vsub / vabs / vaddc / vsubc
/ vsar / vand / vnand / vor / vnor / vxor /
vnxor / vlt / veq / vne / vge / vcl / vch /
vcr / vmrg

<vdRegvRegOp> ← vmov / vrcp / vrsq / vrcph / vrsqh / vrcpl /
vrsql

<expression> ← (*<expression>*) /
<integer> /
<identifier> /
~ *<expression>* /
<expression> & *<expression>* /
<expression> | *<expression>* /
<expression> ^ *<expression>* /
<expression> << *<expression>* /
<expression> >> *<expression>* /
<expression> * *<expression>* /
<expression> / *<expression>* /
<expression> % *<expression>* /
<expression> + *<expression>* /
<expression> - *<expression>* /

- <expression> /
+ <expression>

<iexpression> ← (<iexpression>) /
 <integer> /
 ~ <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> & <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> | <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> ^ <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> << <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> >> <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> * <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> / <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> % <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> + <iexpression> /
 <iexpression> - <iexpression> /
 - <iexpression> /
 + <iexpression>

<scalarRegister> ← <identifier> / \$<integer> / \$sp / \$s8 / \$at / \$ra

<vectorRegister> ← <identifier> / \$v<integer> / \$vco / \$vcc / \$vce

<controlRegister> ← <identifier> / \$c<integer>

<element> ← <iexpression> / <iexpression>h / <iexpression>q

<identifier> ← <alpha> <alphanumeric>*

<alphanumeric> ← {<alpha> / <digit> / _}*

<qstring> ← " {<ASCII text> / <whitespace> / <C print specifier>}*" "

$\langle \textit{alpha} \rangle \leftarrow \textit{a} / \textit{b} / \textit{c} / \textit{d} / \textit{e} / \textit{f} / \textit{g} / \textit{h} / \textit{i} / \textit{j} / \textit{k} / \textit{l} / \textit{m} / \textit{n} / \textit{o} /$
 $\textit{p} / \textit{r} / \textit{s} / \textit{t} / \textit{u} / \textit{v} / \textit{w} / \textit{x} / \textit{y} / \textit{z} / \textit{A} / \textit{B} / \textit{C}$
 $/ \textit{D} / \textit{E} / \textit{F} / \textit{G} / \textit{H} / \textit{I} / \textit{J} / \textit{K} / \textit{L} / \textit{M} / \textit{N} / \textit{O} / \textit{P}$
 $/ \textit{Q} / \textit{R} / \textit{S} / \textit{T} / \textit{U} / \textit{V} / \textit{W} / \textit{X} / \textit{Y} / \textit{Z}$

$\langle \textit{integer} \rangle \leftarrow \langle \textit{digit} \rangle^* / 0\text{x}\langle \textit{hexdigit} \rangle^* / 0\text{X}\langle \textit{hexdigit} \rangle^* / 0\langle \textit{octdigit} \rangle^*$

$\langle \textit{digit} \rangle \leftarrow 0 / 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9$

$\langle \textit{hexdigit} \rangle \leftarrow \langle \textit{digit} \rangle / \textit{a} / \textit{b} / \textit{c} / \textit{d} / \textit{e} / \textit{f} / \textit{A} / \textit{B} / \textit{C} / \textit{D} / \textit{E} / \textit{F}$

$\langle \textit{octdigit} \rangle \leftarrow 0 / 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7$

Advanced Information

This chapter expands on some advanced topics, such as DMEM usage, RSP performance, code overlays, and the CPU-RSP relationship.

Examples and information presented in this chapter are often one of many possible approaches, the reader is encouraged to treat this chapter as inspiration, not rigorous instruction.

DMEM Organization and Usage

Planning the layout of DMEM is an essential step of writing an RSP program. A convenient DMEM layout can save precious instructions and lead to a more optimized and bug-free program.

There are typically parts of DMEM which can be or need to be allocated and initialized at compile-time; the assembler's data directives can accomplish this. Although the data section is built up sequentially regardless of source code files, it helps to keep all DMEM allocations centralized in one file, rather than spreading it out over several source code files.

During compilation, the assembler will produce a `.dat` file which represents the data section of the microcode object. This section should be loaded into DMEM as part of the task loading effort. If you make this data section as small as it can be, and keep it near the top of DMEM (0x04000000) this task loading can be as fast as possible.

Be sure to compare the size of the data that must be initialized with the size of the data loaded into DMEM via the task structure. Most programs use the value `SP_UCODE_DATA_SIZE`, which is defined in `ucode.h` with a value of 2048 (bytes). This value might not be appropriate for every RSP program.

Jump Tables

Program “jump tables” can be constructed by initializing DMEM with program labels. During the second pass of the assembler, these labels will be resolved and the contents of DMEM will be initialized correctly.

Since IMEM is only 4K bytes, a half word is sufficient to hold any IMEM address.

Constants

Program constants can be generated at compile-time and initialized in DMEM. When needed, they can be loaded directly and used.

It can be convenient to reserve a VU register to hold an entire vector of constants, available for use in vector computational instructions.

Labels in DMEM

Labels can be used in the data section to later reference offsets for the purposes of loading or storing things.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, any DMEM address can be expressed with the 16 bit offset of a load/store instruction (and using the base register of \$0).

Dynamic Data

Data which will be loaded or generated by the program does not need to be initialized, however it may be useful to allocate space in your global DMEM map at compile time.

Truncating the `.dat` file before building the ELF object to a size that includes the static data, but not the dynamic data (which does not need to be initialized) will result in a smaller ELF object and therefore less ROM and DRAM usage.

Diagnostic Information

The assembler provides several useful directives for computing and/or printing diagnostic information. These are most useful while laying out the DMEM.

These directives include `.bound`, `.align`, `.symbol`, and `.print`. All of these directives are explained in “Assembly Directives” on page 114.

Using temporary assembler symbols to compute sizes, alignment, and hold diagnostic information is another useful tip.

Performance Tips

Assembly language optimizations or vector processing tricks are beyond the scope of this document, however it is worthwhile to mention a few issues specifically relating to the RSP architecture.

Dual Execution

The RSP executes up to one Scalar Unit (SU) instruction and one Vector Unit (VU) instruction per clock cycle; the most efficient RSP code exploits this. Spreading loads, loop counting, and other SU “bookkeeping” code among VU computations can greatly accelerate sections of code.

Of course this is not always possible, there is not always useful work that can be done in both units.

Interleaving SU and VU code inhibits code readability somewhat; a consistent coding style helps improve the chance of finding a bug that would otherwise be hidden in an unreadable section of code.

This optimization technique is best left for last. As code is reorganized during development and testing the dual-issue pattern will change.

Hint: *“Keeping the both halves of the RSP busy”* is going to be one of your keys to maximum performance.

Vectorization

The computational power of the RSP lies in the Vector Unit (VU). Choice of algorithm and data organization are the fundamental design decisions for optimal RSP programs.

A vector architecture like the VU of the RSP, is a SIMD (Single-Instruction, Multiple-Data) machine, meaning that one instruction may operate on several pieces of data.

Reviewing the literature in computer architecture or compiler design, it is apparent that certain kinds of programming constructs are especially good (or bad) on a vector architecture:

for loops

Programming constructs like:

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {}
```

perform the same thing on a bunch of data. This is exactly a “vector” operation.

conversely,

switch

Programming constructs which separate data (`switch()`, `if()`), performing different tasks in different data situations do not vectorize well.

scalar arithmetic

General “bookkeeping” code, which increments a counter, manipulates a pointer, etc. This kind of code is usually bad because they are unique operations. (there is a formal description of this: essentially there is a “number of items”, below which it does not pay to use vector operations. This has to do with vectorization setup and pipeline priming.)

pointer de-reference

For most vectorizing C compilers, accessing data through pointer de-references is hard for vector processors. Constructs like `a[b.x].value` are preferred to pointer usage like `b->x->value`. This is because computing structure offsets is a simple addition, rather than another memory access. (This is not a not a major point for the RSP, as we lack a vectorizing C compiler)

There is another important lesson worth mentioning from the body of previous vectorization work. Most of the recent efforts in compiler design and high-level software engineering for SIMD systems are designed to be *scalable*; as more vector units are added, performance improves. Lots of recent work has been applied to developing good vectorizing compilers¹. In those efforts, the focus has been to automatically distribute the data across the vector units and minimize vectorization start-up costs, letting the programmer not really worry about the number of vector elements. This is an important difference from our situation for two reasons: (1) we are programming at a much lower level. We know how many vector elements

¹ For a good introduction and references to further reading, consult Hennessy, J., Patterson, D., “Computer Architecture, A Quantitative Approach”, Morgan Kaufmann Publishers, 1990, ISBN 1-55880-069-8.

there are, and this number is not variable. (2) we have severe code space constraints. Abstracting the vector unit size has severe implications on the vector code start-up.

The point of this discussion is to observe that the hardware architecture is clearly visible in the microcode. We program for a specific vector size, and we waste no code generalizing data parallelism.

The good news is that this limitation also has a major benefit: We are exposed to the hardware at a low enough level that we can, by inspection, determine if the vector unit is fully utilized. This is rarely possible, if at all, on a machine with an architecture or compiler designed for configurable vector elements (like a Cray).

Hint: “*Keeping the vector elements full*” is going to be one of your keys to maximum performance.

Software Pipelining

SIMD processing achieves maximum performance when there is a high degree of *data parallelism*. This simply means that there are lots of independent data items that can all be operated on at once.

An important idea in vector processing is that *data recurrence* is not allowed. Consider this code fragment:

```
for (i=0; i<n; i++) {  
    a[i] = a[i-1] * 2.0;  
}
```

In this example, we could not vectorize this loop because element `a[i]` depends on element `a[i-1]`. The elements are not independent. This provides a restriction on the kind of loops we can vectorize and the organization of our data (which “axis” we choose to vectorize). It also suggests games we might want to play with our loops (See “Loop Inversion” on page 131.).

A similar problem, another kind of pipelining problem, is *data dependency*. Because the vector unit has a non-zero pipeline delay, we cannot attempt to use the results of an instruction until several clock cycles after that instruction is “executed”:

```
vadd    $v1, $v2, $v3
vadd    $v4, $v4, $v1
```

In this example, the second `vadd` instruction could not execute until the first `vadd` has completed and written back its result. There is a *data dependency* on register `$v1`. The result will be a pipeline stall that will effectively serialize the vector code, seriously dampening its performance.

Note: Fortunately, the hardware does do register usage locking in this case; the above code may be slow, but at least it is guaranteed to generate the correct results.

If a data dependency cannot be avoided, try rearranging code so that at least some useful work is done during the delay.

Hint: “*Keeping the pipeline full*” is going to be one of your keys to maximum performance.

Loop Inversion

A common trick used in vector programming is *loop inversion*. This means swapping inner and outer loops, in order to create the simplest loop with the largest number of iterations so we can maximize vectorization.

Consider the following code fragment which could be used for vertex translation:

```
for (i = 0; i < num_pts; i++) { /* for each point */
    for (j=0; j<4; j++) { /* for each dimension */
        point[i][j] += offset[j];
    }
}
```

Since we can only vectorize the inner-most operation (the addition), we would only be using 50% of our vector unit.

Now suppose we have an infinite number of vector elements. If we did, we could swap the loops and do the outer loop four times, vectorizing the inner loop across `num_pts` elements:

```
for (i = 0; i < 4; i++) { /* for each dimension */
    for (j=0; j<num_pts; j++) { /* for each point */
        point[j][i] += offset[i];
    }
}
```

```
}
```

In this fictitious example, we have theoretically improved our program's speed by $(\text{num_pts} - 4) * (\text{time to do the translation})$. A big improvement! This technique is common to help vectorizing compilers "recognize" loops that can be vectorized. The compiler will actually break up the loop into multiple vector operations the size of the number of vector elements.

Loop inversion is not free. By changing which loop is vectorized, we change the start-up costs associated with the loop. In terms of microcode, this means the organization of the data, the use of registers, and the "overhead" associated with this code fragment will be different.

An additional consideration for our implementation is that we know the vector unit size and characteristics. While the above code fragment might be better code for a Cray machine with a vectorizing compiler and unknown CPU resources, on the RSP we must vectorize the loop by hand, breaking up the iterations into 8 elements at a time (the size of our vector unit).

Careful evaluation of each loop should include trying to maximize the vector elements (keeping them filled) as well as avoiding unnecessary loop start-up and loop overhead.

Loop Unrolling

Unrolling a loop or section of code, while consuming precious IMEM space and registers, can potentially double the speed of a section of code that has lots of data dependencies. Unrolling a loop is the simplest way to perform useful work during pipeline delays.

Program Flow of Control

Since program flow constructs like conditional branches interfere with vectorization, it is often more efficient to do some "extra" work (which vectorizes) and decide later which result to use, rather than having a more complex program using conditional execution to minimize computation.

For example, in the triangle rasterization setup code, the vertex attributes ($x, y, z, b, a, s, t, w, z$) fit nicely in vector registers. Rather than having complicated

code which decides which attributes are necessary, we always compute them all and only output the ones we are interested in.

This approach also saves precious IMEM space.

Profiling RSP Code

The RSP simulator can help profile your code, it can show pipeline stalls, load delays, and DMA wait states. The RSP clock (CLK) of the simulator is always available as a register.

Note: Although it is accurate within a few percent, the RSP simulator is not cycle accurate with the actual hardware. The differences are mainly in VU loads and moves.

It is also useful to use the RDP Command Counter to profile code on the actual hardware. This value can be sampled, saved to DMEM or DMA'd to DRAM for later analysis. A sample code fragment to read and store the RDP Command Counter is shown in Figure 6-1, “Real-time Clock Watching on the RSP,” on page 134.

Figure 6-1 Real-time Clock Watching on the RSP

In the RSP microcode:

```
# Checkpoint the clock before the critical section:
mfc0    $1, $c12
sw      $1, 0($0)
```

(Perform the critical section)

```
# Checkpoint the clock after the critical section:
mfc0    $1, $c12
lw      $2, 0($0)
sub     $1, $1, $2
sw      $1, 0($0)
```

After the task has completed, this value can be retrieved by the application code on the CPU:

```
while (__osSpRawReadIo((u32) (SP_DMEM_START + 0x0),
    (u32 *) &(scratch_int)))
    ;
```

Depending on what you are timing, take care to consider that the RDP Counter is only 24 bits (be careful of wrap conditions).

A more complex example might DMA data to DRAM for later analysis instead.

Since IMEM is relatively small, critical sections of code can also be profiled by inspection, examining the code and following the pipelining rules, “Mary Jo’s Rules” on page 43

Dividing the number of instructions a section of code uses by the number of clocks it takes to execute the section gives you a ratio that expresses dual-execution efficiency and VU pipeline usage. A perfect ratio of 2.0 means you are executing two instructions per clock (one SU, one VU) with no pipeline delays. A ratio less than 1.0 means you are experiencing execution stalls due to data dependencies and/or not keeping both execution units busy.

Inserting dummy display list instructions (temporarily customizing the microcode) to mark coarse timing boundaries is another useful trick.

Microcode Overlays

One of the challenges of RSP programming is working within the limited instruction memory. IMEM is an explicitly managed resource; you are free to load new code as you see fit.

RSP microcode loading can be divided into two situations: a *swap*, initiated by the host CPU, which loads the entire IMEM while the RSP is halted, and an *overlay*, which loads part of IMEM and is triggered by the currently executing RSP program. The latter case is the most interesting and is the subject of this section, covering related architectural issues and explaining one scheme for microcode overlays in detail.

Memory System Implications

The Rambus memory system is most efficient at large block transfers, so microcode loading can approach peak memory transfer speeds.

Like all DMA transfers, the source and destination must be 64-bit aligned; some care must be taken planning microcode overlays to meet this restriction. The assembler provides several directives to guarantee code alignment.

Since IMEM is single-ported memory, only one control unit can access it at a time; if microcode is loaded while a program is currently executing, IMEM accesses are shared between the DMA engine and the RSP control unit (which is fetching instructions). This means that dynamic microcode overlays can only approach 50% of peak DMA transfer rate.

Entirely Up to You

The decision to overlay microcode and the labor to perform the overlay must be embedded in the RSP program. Overlay techniques involve the RSP development tools, the RSP software, and possibly even the display list or other data that the RSP program is designed to interpret.

Choosing when to overlay microcode should be done carefully; although such DMA transfers are relatively efficient, they are not free.

RSP Assembler Tricks

The RSP assembler `rspasm` has several features designed to assist developing microcode overlays.

IMEM Alignment Alignment directives like `.bound` and `.align` can be used in the text section to ensure that overlay destinations are 64-bit aligned, as required by the DMA engine.

DMEM Initialization Initialization directives like `.word` and `.half` can be used to create a table of information necessary to perform overlays.

DMEM Labels Labels can be used in the `.data` section so that overlay information can be easily accessed from the program.

DMEM Symbols Program symbols (labels) can be used to initialize DMEM data, generating code overlay destinations (IMEM addresses) automatically in the second pass of the assembler.

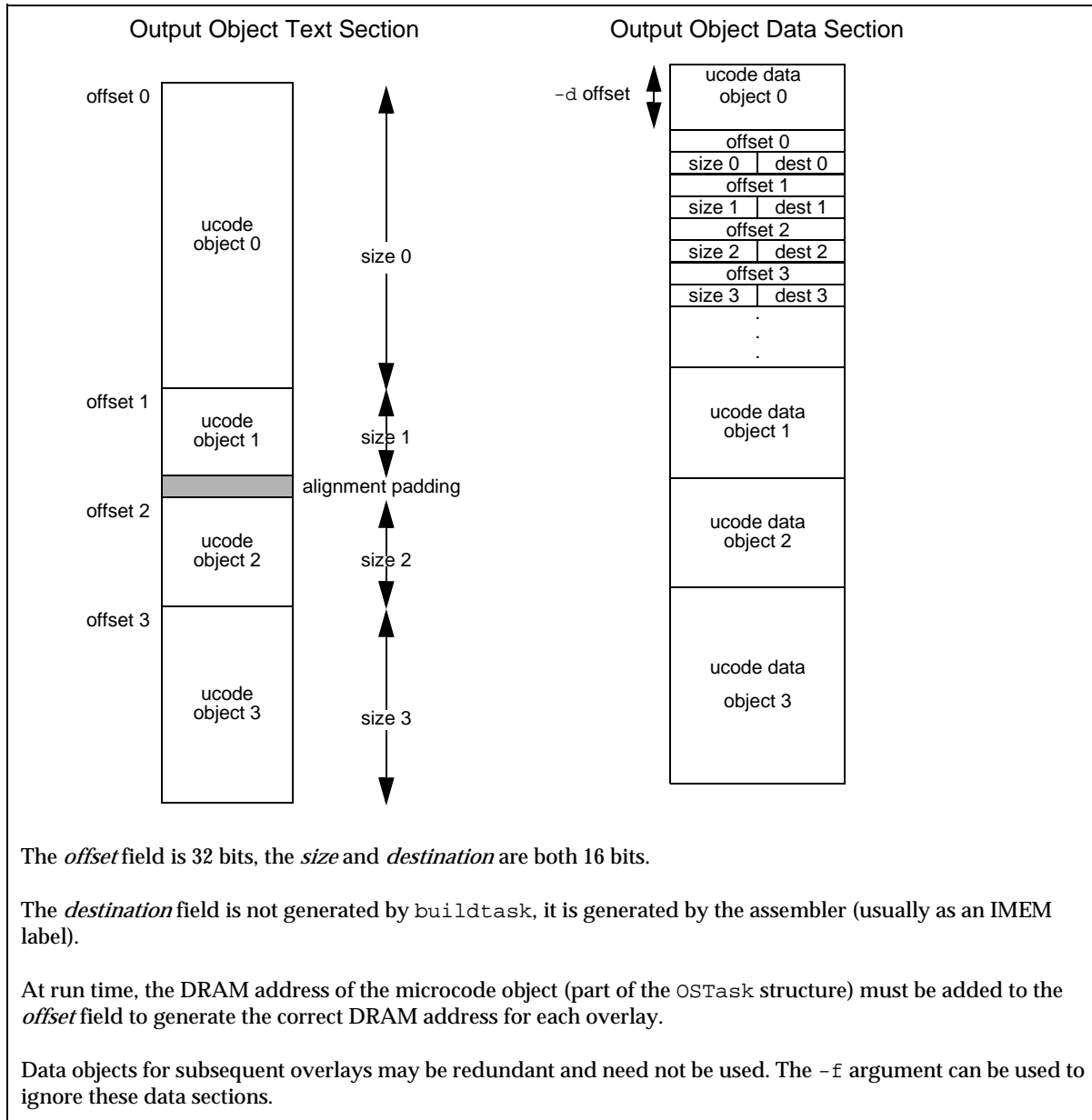
External Symbol Tables The `-S` option to the assembler allows you to specify another microcode object to use as an external symbol table. This allows you to branch to locations outside the current microcode object.

A Sample RSP Linker

While not a true “linker”, the program `buildtask` can be used to combine multiple RSP objects (both text and data sections) into a larger object.

The `buildtask` algorithm is quite simple, it concatenates the text and data sections, in the order supplied on the command line. It enforces 64-bit alignment and computes the sizes and offsets from the beginning for each different overlay object. This information is stored back in the data section (beginning at 0x0, or the value supplied by the `-d` flag), completing a table of information necessary to perform overlays.

The behavior of `buildtask` output is illustrated in Figure 6-2, “`buildtask` Operation,” on page 137.

Figure 6-2 buildtask Operation

With this information, a DMA transaction can be programmed to load an overlay into IMEM.

Overlay Example

To see exactly how this works, let's examine the source code and Makefile for a simple example.

Overlay Makefile

```
#####
#
# use the RSP linker 'buildtask' to construct the tasks
# from the objects.
#
# use the rsp2elf program to construct the debug
# executables and library objects
#

gspLine3D:gspLine3D.u newt.u
    ${BUILDTASK} -f 1 -o $@ gspLine3D.u newt.u

gspLine3D.o:gspLine3D
    ${RSP2ELF} -p -r $?

...

#####
#
# build the individual objects.
#

newt.u:gspLine3D.u ../newt.s ${COMMON_GFX_CODE}
    ${RSPASM} ${LCINCS} ${LCDEFS} -DNEWT_ALONE \
        -S gspLine3D.u -o $@ ../newt.s

gspLine3D.u:${COMMON_GFX_CODE} ${LINE_CODE}
    ${RSPASM} ${LCINCS} ${LCDEFS} -o $@ ../gmain.s
```

In this example, there are two microcode objects: the main program, gspLine3D.u, and one overlay, newt.u. Each is compiled separately;

notice the usage of the `-S` flag used when compiling `newt.u` in order to access the external symbols of `gspLine3D.u`.

The `-f` argument passed to `buildtask` prevents concatenation of the `newt.dat` section; this data section is redundant (any static data needed for `newt.u` is planned for and included in `gspLine3D.u`).

The `rsp2elf` program is used to build an ELF object using `buildtask`'s output, this ELF object is what will be linked into the game application by `makerom`.

Overlay DMEM Initialization

This code fragment shows the initialization of DMEM for this example.

```
#####
##### OVERLAY TABLE #####
#####
#
# Program module overlay table. Offsets and sizes are
# filled in by the 'buildtask' utility, destinations are
# the responsibility of the ucode.
#
# OVERLAY_OFFSET:  offset from beginning of microcode in
#                   RDRAM and in .o file (filled in by
#                   buildtask).
# OVERLAY_SIZE:    length of overlay in bytes (filled in
#                   by buildtask).
# OVERLAY_DEST:    where in IMEM to put the overlay
#                   (filled in by assembler).
#
# The overlay table must be the first thing in DMEM.
# The 1st overlay must be the initial code.
#
    .bound    0x80000000

OVERLAY_TAB_OFFSET:

#define OVERLAY_OFFSET  0
#define OVERLAY_SIZE    4
#define OVERLAY_DEST    6

#=====
#===== MAIN CODE OVERLAY =====
```

```
#=====
OVERLAY_0_OFFSET:
    # main module.
        .word    0x0          # offset from start of code
        .half    0x0          # size in bytes (-1)
        .half    0x1080       # destination

#=====
#===== NEWTONS OVERLAY =====
#=====
OVERLAY_1_OFFSET:
OVERLAY_NEWTON:
    # Newton's module laid over boot code.
        .word    0x0          # offset from start of code
        .half    0x0          # size in bytes (-1)
        .half    0x1000       # destination
```

The size and offset of the microcode objects will be filled in by `buildtask`, see Figure 6-2, “`buildtask` Operation,” on page 137.

Overlay Initialization Code

Before we load the overlay we must update the overlay table with the correct DRAM address for the start of the code. This is usually done immediately at the beginning of the program, since we require the `OSTask` structure which has been copied into DMEM (and may need to be overwritten by the program).

```
#####
#
# code overlays:
#
# update table to be real DRAM address:
    lw $5, OS_TASK_OFF_UCODE($1) # ucode base pointer

# PATCH NEWTON ONLY
    lw $2, (OVERLAY_1_OFFSET + OVERLAY_OFFSET)(zero)
    add $2, $2, $5
    sw $2, (OVERLAY_1_OFFSET + OVERLAY_OFFSET)(zero)
```

Overlay Decision Code

Deciding when to perform an overlay is specific to each program and overlay function and therefore an example is not necessary. In this case, we always perform the overlay, since we are loading it over the RSP boot microcode (reclaiming precious IMEM space!)

Overlay DMA Code

Actually overlaying the new microcode is the same as any other DMA transfer (See “DMA” on page 96); we use the information from the overlay table to set the source, destination, and length of the transfer.

```
# overp points to the proper entry in the
# overlay table.
loadOverlay:
    lw      dram_addr, OVERLAY_OFFSET(overp)
    lh      dma_len,   OVERLAY_SIZE(overp)
    lh      imem_addr, OVERLAY_DEST(overp)
    jal     DMAproc
    addi    iswrite, zero, 0          # delay slot
    jal     DMAwait
    nop
    jr      overreturn
    nop
```

Remember to encode the length as (length-1), or else you might over-write some important instructions.

Controlling the RSP from the CPU

The operating system running on the CPU includes facilities to control the RSP. The major function calls and some RSP details are explained in this section.

Starting RSP Tasks

The man page for `osSpTaskStart()` explains the CPU-side details of managing the RSP. The include file `sptask.h` contains additional information in the comments.

The algorithm to start a task is as follows:

- Halt the RSP (if it is not halted already).
- DMA the `OSTask` structure into the low part of DMEM (`0x1000 - sizeof(OSTask)`).
- DMA the RSP boot microcode into IMEM at `0x0`.
- Set the RSP PC to `0x0`.
- Clear the HALT bit of the RSP status register.

Once the HALT bit is cleared, the RSP begins execution using the current PC and contents of IMEM.

RSP Boot Microcode

The boot microcode copies the task microcode into IMEM (at `0x80`) and the task data into DMEM (at `0x0`). Since the task data might overwrite the `OSTask` structure, it is the task's responsibility to either not need the `OSTask` or guarantee that it is not overwritten (by initializing less than 4K bytes of DMEM).

Each microcode task typically has “initialization” work of its own; usually this is performed immediately, possibly loading in additional microcode.

Hidden OS Functions

There are undocumented OS functions to access the RSP from the CPU. These functions should *not* be used in the regular course of game programming; their use may interfere with other core OS functionality. They can be useful for RSP program development, particularly post-mortem analysis of RSP state.

These functions are internal OS calls and are not guaranteed to be supported in the future; use at your own risk.

__osSpDeviceBusy

```
int  
__osSpDeviceBusy(void)
```

This function returns 1 if the RSP is busy performing IO operations.

__osSpRawStartDma()

```
s32  
__osSpRawStartDma(s32 direction, u32 devAddr,  
                  void *dramAddr, u32 size)
```

Based on the input direction (OS_READ or OS_WRITE), set up a DMA transfer between RDRAM and RSP memory address space.

devAddr and dramAddr specifies the DMA buffer address of RSP memory and RDRAM, respectively. size contains the number of bytes to transfer. Note that these addresses must be 64-bit aligned and size must be a multiple of 8 bytes. Maximum transfer size is 4K bytes.

If the interface is busy, return a -1 and abort the operation.

__osSpRawReadIo()

```
s32  
__osSpRawReadIo(u32 devAddr, u32 *data)
```

Perform a 32-bit programmed IO read from RSP memory address space. Note that devAddr must be 32-bit aligned.

If the interface is busy, return a -1 and abort the operation.

__osSpRawWritel0()

```
s32  
__osSpRawWriteIo(u32 devAddr, u32 data)
```

Perform a 32-bit programmed IO write to RSP memory address space.
Note that devAddr must be 32-bit aligned.

If the interface is busy, return a -1 and abort the operation.

__osSpGetStatus()

```
u32  
__osSpGetStatus(void)
```

Return the RSP status register.

__osSpSetStatus()

```
void  
__osSpSetStatus(u32 data)
```

Update the RSP status register.

__osSpSetPc()

```
s32  
__osSpSetPc(u32 data)
```

Set the RSP program counter (PC).

If the RSP is not halted, return a -1 and abort the operation.

Address spaces used as parameters to these functions are defined in the file
rcp.h.

Microcode Debugging Tips

There are two different environments for debugging microcode: (1) the RSP simulator (`rsp` or `rspg`) and (2) the coprocessor view of Gameshop (`gvd`).

Each tool has its advantages; Gameshop is discussed in separate documentation. This section explains the first technique and provides some other tips.

The first tip is to develop as much of the RSP microcode as possible using the RSP simulator. The tools are more friendly, more powerful, and the turn-around time is much shorter. In order to facilitate this, you may wish to also develop driver or stub tools that can create the data necessary to debug the program.

Once everything is mostly working, and you progress to integrating the new microcode with an application running on the CPU, using the RSP simulator becomes a little trickier. In order to use the RSP simulator you must create a DRAM image containing all the necessary pieces for the RSP task, and an `OSTask` structure. Briefly, the technique is:

- Run the RSP simulator.
- Copy the DRAM image into memory at `0x0`.
- Copy the `OSTask` structure into the bottom of DMEM at `(0x04001000 - sizeof(OSTask))`.
- Copy the `rspboot` microcode into IMEM at `0x04001000`. Note that this is not the ELF image of `rspboot`, but the RSP executable.
- Set the PC to `0x04001000`.
- Run (or step) the RSP program.

At this point, everything is in place to execute a task on the RSP simulator.

The hardest step is creating the DRAM image that contains all the necessary elements in their proper places. Fortunately, there are some tools to help here:

`guDumpGbiDL()` This library function can be called directly from the game to dump the necessary pieces back out to the Indy. It uses the `rmonPrintf()` and creates a (potentially very large) ASCII file that can be read by `gbi2mem`.

`guDumpGbiDL()` works by saving the `OSTask` structure, the microcode, the display list, and traversing the display list following any data (textures, matrices, vertices, etc.) pointers to save that data also. This results in the minimum amount of data to transfer back to the Indy in order to simulate the RSP task.

`gbi2mem` This tool takes the file dumped by `guDumpGbiDL()` and creates the `.mem` and `.tsk` files, containing the DRAM image and `OSTask` structure, respectively.

`gbi2mem` works by reading the ASCII file and creating a binary DRAM image, with all objects located at the proper address.

Since `rmonPrintf()` writes to the terminal, the proper invocation is to pipe the output of `gload` to `gbi2mem`:

```
% gload | gbi2mem -o <filename>
```

This method of dumping data from the hardware back to the Indy is not terribly efficient; it works best if the display list is as minimal as possible¹.

¹ One obvious improvement would be to use the binary host I/O interface, rather than the ASCII `rmonPrintf()`.

RSP Yielding

One of the more complex issues of synchronization between the CPU and the RSP is the concept of *yielding*. The motivation for yielding is discussed at length in higher-level documentation; some of the implementation details are discussed here.

For typical applications with graphics and audio processing that must share the resources of the RSP, there must be a higher-level synchronization to assure that neither task is starved.

It is the nature of graphics processing that the amount of RSP processing required on a frame-to-frame basis may be difficult to predict. The amount of graphics computations can depend on the data in the scene, the location of the camera, and other parameters of visual complexity. A varying amount of graphics processing determines the “frame rate” of an application. If a new graphics frame is not computed, the video circuitry will just re-display the old frame.

Audio processing, on the other hand, is usually a function of sample rate, number of voices, or other data which is more constant and easier to predict. Audio processing is more susceptible to discontinuities caused by processor starvation, however. If the next frame of audio is not computed, the audio circuitry will not have any data to play, and the sound will stop (or click or pop).

The solution implemented is to allow graphics tasks to *yield*, meaning that at quiescent times, the graphics task politely inquires to see if the CPU is requesting that it stop computation. If the answer is yes, the graphics task saves its state to DMEM sufficiently so that it can be restarted, and the task will exit.

The operating system discriminates a yield condition from a normal task completion using the status register of the RSP. It then saves the contents of DMEM and returns to the application so that the audio task may be scheduled. When the graphics task is to be resumed, flags in the OSTask structure tell the rspboot microcode to behave slightly differently and restore the previously-yielded task.

Requesting a Yield

An application requests an RSP task to yield by calling `osSpTaskYield()`.

This function sets the Coprocessor 0 Status Register bit `SP_SET_YIELD`, which is `#define'd` as `SIG0` in `rcp.h`.

Checking for Yield

The microcode checks periodically for a yield request. It would be inefficient to check too often, but it would also be dangerous to not check often enough, possibly detecting the yield too late.

For the released graphics microcode, we check for the yield after processing every display list command. The test is relatively cheap, only a few cycles, and this guarantees that we will test every several hundred clock cycles at the most.

```
# we're done with this command, do the next one (if
# available)...
#
GfxDone:
# stick our head up, see if we need to yield the SP.
# If so,checkpoint everything then exit.
#
    mfc0    yield, SP_STATUS      # need to yield?
    andi    yield, yield, SP_STATUS_YIELD
    bne     yield, zero, RSPYield
    lh      overreturn, TASKYIELD(zero)    # return where?
```

Yielding

The microcode's responsibility during yield is, by design, minimal.

The microcode saves a handful of important registers to DMEM, then DMA's the necessary portion of DMEM to the yield buffer (originally supplied to the task as part of the task header).

The microcode also sets the `SP_YIELDED` bit in the Coprocessor 0 Status Register, this bit is `#define'd` as `SIG1` in `rcp.h`.

Saving a Yielded Process

After requesting a yield, the host CPU must wait for the RSP task to finish and verify that it actually yielded.

It might also modify internal state, so that the yielded task can be restarted.

Restarting a Yield Process

Restarting a previously yielded task is conceptually simple; the previously-saved DMEM data (from the yield buffer) is used as the `ucode_data` field in the task header, and the `OS_TASK_YIELDED` bit in the task header is set.

The microcode will detect the `OS_TASK_YIELDED` bit in the task header flags and perform the proper initialization, before resuming execution.

This initialization should include restoring registers (from the saved DMEM) and possibly overlaying code segments.

RSP Instruction Set Details

This appendix describes the machine-language format of the RSP instructions and formally describes the behavior of each instruction.

Since the RSP instruction set conforms to the MIPS ISA, the format and notation of this appendix is the same as Appendix A in the book “*MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User’s Manual*”¹.

Vector Unit instructions are also discussed in Chapter 3, “Vector Unit Instructions.”

In this appendix, all variable subfields in an instruction format (such as *rs*, *rt*, *immediate*, etc.) are shown in lowercase names.

For the sake of clarity, we sometimes use an alias for a variable subfield in the formats of specific instructions. For example, we use *rs* = *base* in the format for load and store instructions. Such an alias is always lower case, since it refers to a variable subfield.

In the instruction descriptions that follow, the *Operation* section describes the operation performed by each instruction using a high-level language notation.

Special symbols used in the notation are described in Table A-1, “RSP Instruction Operation Notations,” on page 152.

¹ Heinrich, J., “*MIPS R4000 Microprocessor User’s Manual*”, Prentice Hall Publishing, 1993, ISBN 0-13-1-5925-4.

Table A-1RSP Instruction Operation Notations

Symbol	Meaning
\leftarrow	Assignment.
\parallel	Bit string concatenation.
x^y	Replication of bit value x into a y -bit string. Note: x is always a single-bit value.
$x_{y\dots z}$	Selection of bits y through z of bit string x . Little-endian bit notation is always used. If y is less than z , this expression is an empty (zero length) bit string.
$+$	2's complement or floating-point addition.
$-$	2's complement or floating-point subtraction.
$*$	2's complement or floating-point multiplication.
div	2's complement integer division.
mod	2's complement modulo.
$/$	Floating-point division.
$<$	2's complement less than comparison.
and	Bit-wise logical AND.
or	Bit-wise logical OR.
xor	Bit-wise logical XOR.
nor	Bit-wise logical NOR.
GPR[x]	General-Register x . The content of GPR[0] is always zero. Attempts to alter the content of GPR[0] have no effect.
CPR[z,x]	Coprocessor unit z , general register x .
CCR[z,x]	Coprocessor unit z , control register x .
VR[x][e]	Vector Unit register x , byte e . (a VU register is 16 bytes wide)

Table A-1RSP Instruction Operation Notations

Symbol	Meaning
ACC[e]	Vector Unit Accumulator, element e. The ACC has 8 elements each 48 bits wide.
dmem[x]	DMEM contents beginning at byte address x.
$T+i$:	Indicates the time steps between operations. Each of the statements within a time step are defined to be executed in sequential order (as modified by conditional and loop constructs). Operations which are marked $T+i$: are executed at instruction cycle i relative to the start of execution of the instruction. Thus, an instruction which starts at time j executes operations marked $T+i$: at time $i + j$. The interpretation of the order of execution between two instructions or two operations which execute at the same time should be pessimistic; the order is not defined.
Clamp_Signed(x)	x is clamped to prevent overflow (signed clamp).

Instruction Notation Examples

The following examples illustrate the application of some of the instruction notation conventions:

Example #1:

$$\text{GPR}[rt] \leftarrow \text{immediate} \parallel 0^{16}$$

Sixteen zero bits are concatenated with an immediate value (typically 16 bits), and the 32-bit string (with the lower 16 bits set to zero) is assigned to General-Purpose Register *rt*.

Example #2:

$$(\text{immediate}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{immediate}_{15...0}$$

Bit 15 (the sign bit) of an immediate value is extended for 16 bit positions, and the result is concatenated with bits 15 through 0 of the immediate value to form a 32-bit sign extended value.

Example #3:

$$\text{VR}[vt][e]_{15...0} \leftarrow (\text{dmem}[\text{Addr}]_{7...0} \parallel 0^8)$$

Eight zero bits are concatenated with the byte of DMEM at *Addr*, and assigned to the 16 bit element at byte *e* of VU register *vt*.

Example #4:

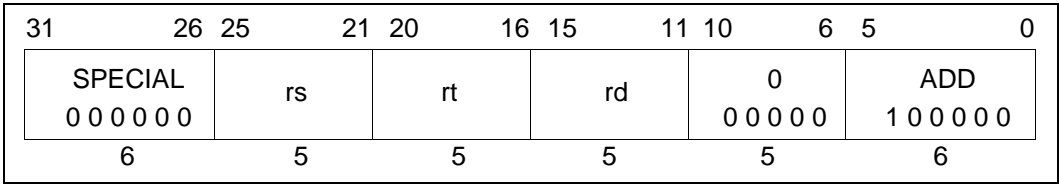
$$\text{VR}[vd][2]_{15...0} \leftarrow (\text{VR}[vs][2]_{15...0} \text{ and } \text{VR}[vt][2]_{15...0})$$

The 16 bit element at byte 2 of VU register *vs* is AND'd with the 16 bit element at byte 2 of VU register *vt*, the result is assigned to the 16 bit element at byte 2 of VU register *vd*.

ADD

Add

ADD



Format:

add rd, rs, rt

Description:

The contents of general register *rs* and the contents of general register *rt* are added to form the result. The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for ADD, this command behaves identically to ADDU.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] + \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

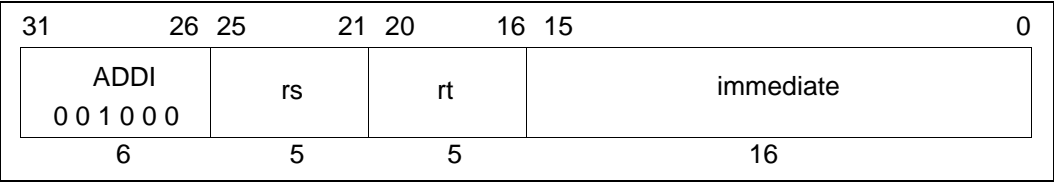
Exceptions:

None

ADDI

Add Immediate

ADDI



Format:

```
addi rt, rs, immediate
```

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *rs* to form the result. The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for ADDI, this command behaves identically to ADDIU.

Operation:

T: GPR [rt] ← GPR[rs] + ((immediate₁₅)¹⁶ || immediate_{15...0})

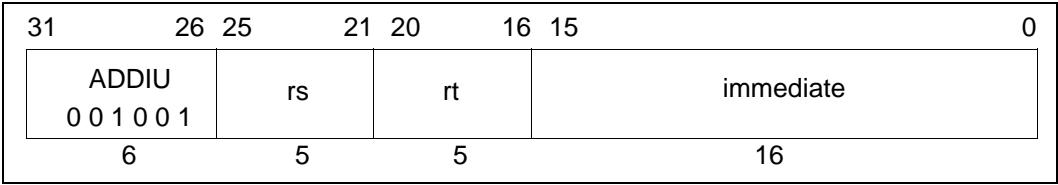
Exceptions:

None

ADDIU

Add Immediate Unsigned

ADDIU



Format:

```
addiu rt, rs, immediate
```

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *rs* to form the result. The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for ADDI, this command behaves identically to ADDI.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[rt] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[rs] + ((\text{immediate}_{15})^{16} || \text{immediate}_{15...0})$

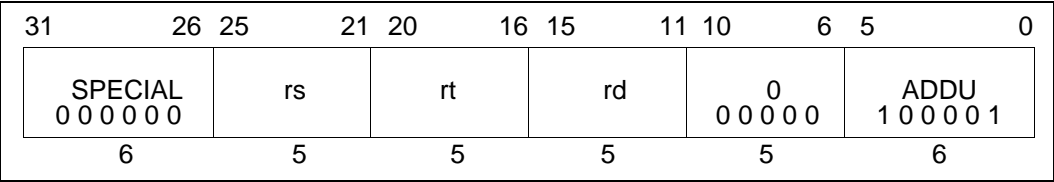
Exceptions:

None

ADDU

Add Unsigned

ADDU



Format:

addu rd, rs, rt

Description:

The contents of general register *rs* and the contents of general register *rt* are added to form the result. The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for ADD, this command behaves identically to ADD.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] + \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

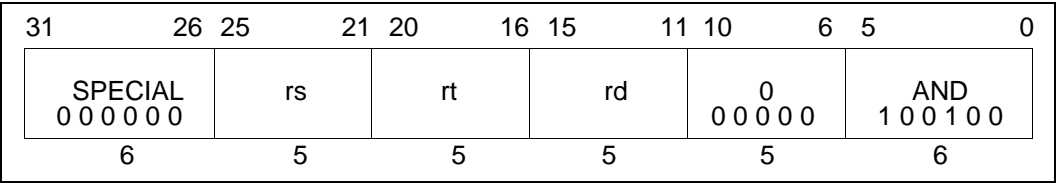
Exceptions:

None

AND

And

AND



Format:

```
and rd, rs, rt
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rs* are combined with the contents of general register *rt* in a bit-wise logical AND operation. The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] \text{ and } \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

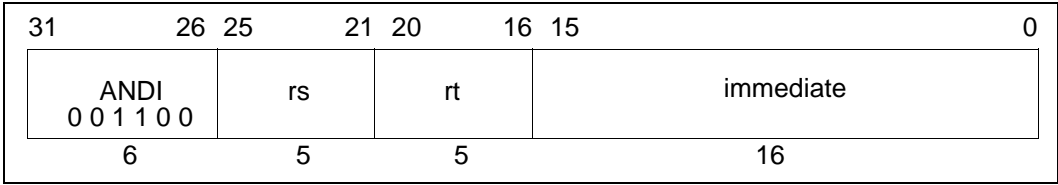
Exceptions:

None

ANDI

And Immediate

ANDI



Format:

andi rt, rs, immediate

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is zero-extended and combined with the contents of general register *rs* in a bit-wise logical AND operation. The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[rt] \leftarrow 0^{16} \parallel (\text{immediate} \text{ and } \text{GPR}[rs]_{15...0})$

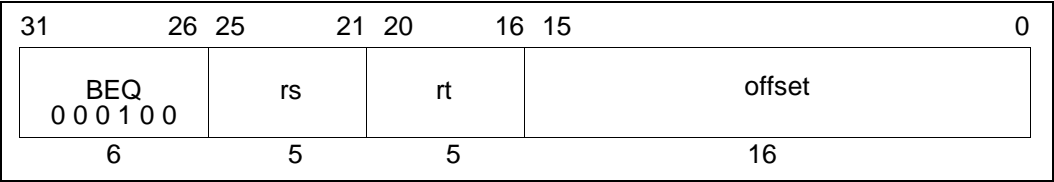
Exceptions:

None

BEQ

Branch On Equal

BEQ



Format:

```
beq rs, rt, offset
```

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. The contents of general register *rs* and the contents of general register *rt* are compared. If the two registers are equal, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

```
T:   target ← (offset15)14 || offset || 02
      condition ← (GPR[rs] = GPR[rt])
T+1: if condition then
      PC11...0 ← PC11...0 + target11...0
endif
```

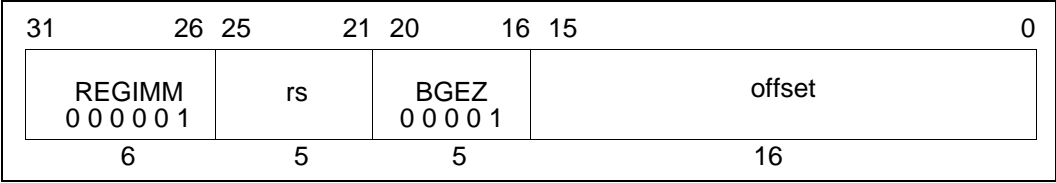
Exceptions:

None

BGEZ

Branch On Greater Than
Or Equal To Zero

BGEZ



Format:

bgez rs, offset

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. If the contents of general register *rs* have the sign bit cleared, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: target \leftarrow (offset₁₅)¹⁴ || offset || 0²
 condition \leftarrow (GPR[rs]₃₁ = 0)
T+1: if condition then
 PC_{11...0} \leftarrow PC_{11...0} + target_{11...0}
 endif

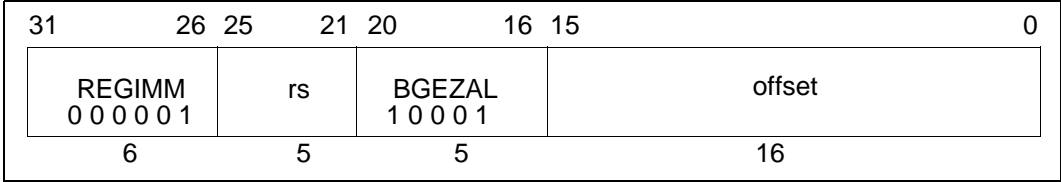
Exceptions:

None

BGEZAL

Branch On Greater Than
Or Equal To Zero And Link

BGEZAL



Format:

bgezal rs, offset

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. Unconditionally, the address of the instruction after the delay slot is placed in the link register, *r31*. If the contents of general register *rs* have the sign bit cleared, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

General register *rs* may not be general register *31*, because such an instruction is not restartable.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: target ← (offset₁₅)¹⁴ || offset || 0²
 condition ← (GPR[rs]₃₁ = 0)
 GPR[31] ← PC + 8
T+1: if condition then
 PC_{11...0} ← PC_{11...0} + target_{11...0}
 endif

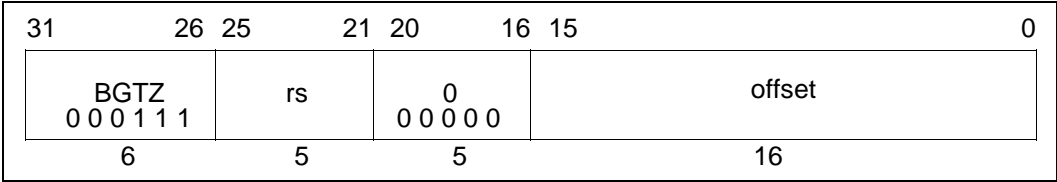
Exceptions:

None

BGTZ

Branch On Greater Than Zero

BGTZ



Format:

bgtz rs, offset

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. The contents of general register *rs* are compared to zero. If the contents of general register *rs* have the sign bit cleared and are not equal to zero, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: target \leftarrow (offset₁₅)¹⁴ || offset || 0²
 condition \leftarrow (GPR[rs]₃₁ = 0) and (GPR[rs] \neq 0³²)
T+1: if condition then
 PC_{11...0} \leftarrow PC_{11...0} + target_{11...0}
 endif

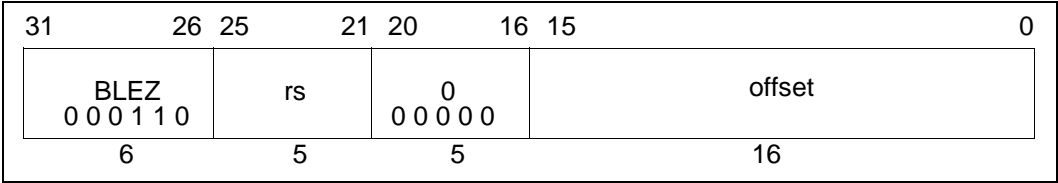
Exceptions:

None

BLEZ

Branch on Less Than
Or Equal To Zero

BLEZ



Format:

```
blez rs, offset
```

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. The contents of general register *rs* are compared to zero. If the contents of general register *rs* have the sign bit set, or are equal to zero, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

```
T:   target ← (offset15)14 || offset || 02
      condition ← (GPR[rs]31 = 1) or (GPR[rs] = 032)
T+1: if condition then
      PC11...0 ← PC11...0 + target11...0
endif
```

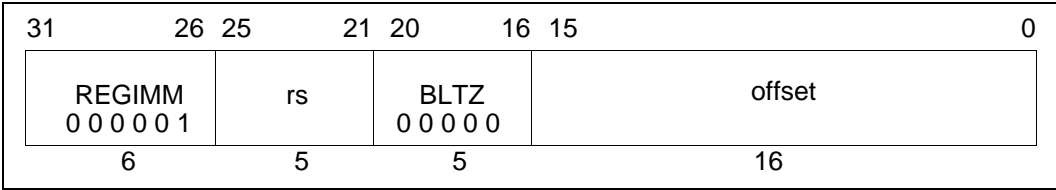
Exceptions:

None

BLTZ

Branch On Less Than Zero

BLTZ



Format:

bltz rs, offset

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. If the contents of general register *rs* have the sign bit set, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: target \leftarrow (offset₁₅)¹⁴ || offset || 0²
 condition \leftarrow (GPR[rs]₃₁ = 1)
T+1: if condition then
 PC_{11...0} \leftarrow PC_{11...0} + target_{11...0}
 endif

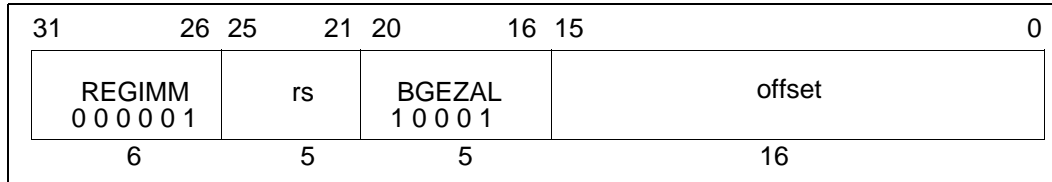
Exceptions:

None

BLTZAL

Branch On Less Than
Zero And Link

BLTZAL



Format:

`bltzal rs, offset`

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. Unconditionally, the address of the instruction after the delay slot is placed in the link register, *r31*. If the contents of general register *rs* have the sign bit set, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

General register *rs* may not be general register *31*, because such an instruction is not restartable.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: target \leftarrow (offset₁₅)¹⁴ || offset || 0²
 condition \leftarrow (GPR[rs]₃₁ < 0)
 GPR[31] \leftarrow PC + 8
T+1: if condition then
 PC_{11...0} \leftarrow PC_{11...0} + target_{11...0}
 endif

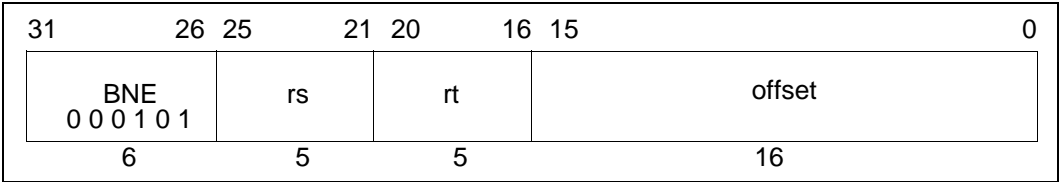
Exceptions:

None

BNE

Branch On Not Equal

BNE



Format:

bne rs, rt, offset

Description:

A branch target address is computed from the sum of the address of the instruction in the delay slot and the 16-bit *offset*, shifted left two bits and sign-extended. The contents of general register *rs* and the contents of general register *rt* are compared. If the two registers are not equal, then the program branches to the target address, with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: target \leftarrow (offset₁₅)¹⁴ || offset || 0²
 condition \leftarrow (GPR[rs] \neq GPR[rt])
T+1: if condition then
 PC_{11...0} \leftarrow PC_{11...0} + target_{11...0}
 endif

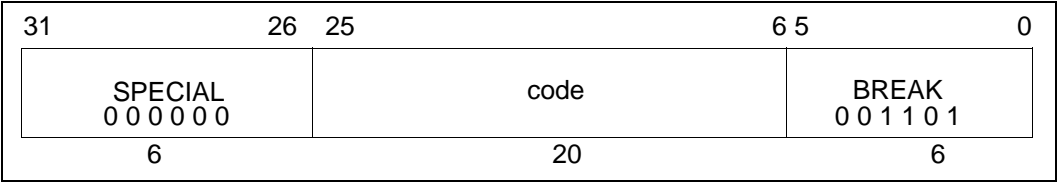
Exceptions:

None

BREAK

Breakpoint

BREAK



Format:

break

Description:

A breakpoint occurs, halting the RSP and setting the `SP_STATUS_BROKE` bit in the RSP status register.

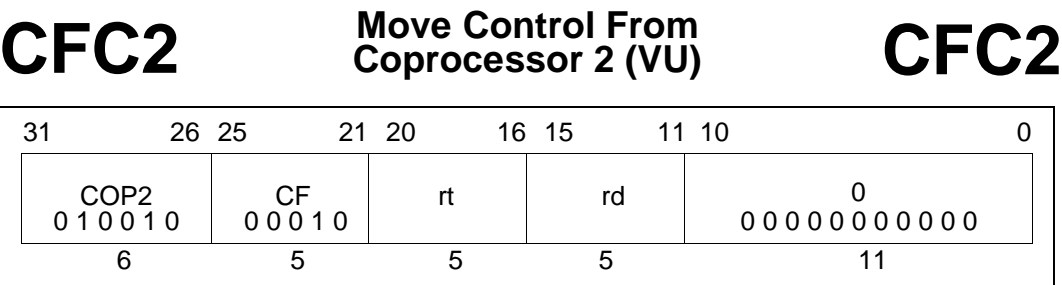
When the `SP_STATUS_INTR_BREAK` is set in the RSP status register, the RSP interrupt is signaled (`MI_INTR_SP`).

Operation:

T: break

Exceptions:

None



Format:

cfc2 rt, rd

Description:

The contents of coprocessor 2 (VU) control register *rd* are loaded into general register *rt*.

Operation:

T: data ← CCR[rd]
T+1: GPR[rt] ← data

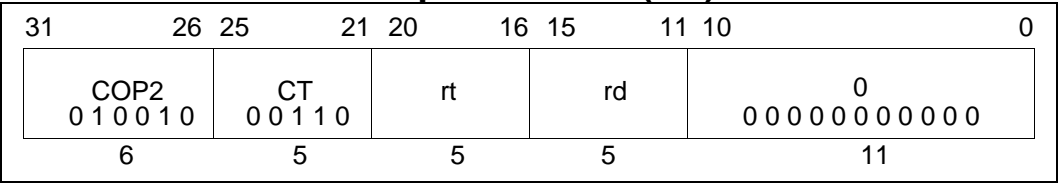
Exceptions:

None

CTC2

Move Control to
Coproprocessor 2 (VU)

CTC2



Format:

ctc2 rt, rd

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are loaded into control register *rd* of the VU (coprocessor unit 2).

Operation:

T: data ← GPR[rt]
T + 1: CCR[rd] ← data

Exceptions:

None



Format:

j target

Description:

The 26-bit target address is shifted left two bits and combined with the high-order bits of the address of the delay slot. The program unconditionally jumps to this calculated address with a delay of one instruction.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: temp ← target
T+1: PC_{11...0} ← temp_{11...2} || 0²

Exceptions:

None

JAL

Jump And Link

JAL



Format:

jal target

Description:

The 26-bit target address is shifted left two bits and combined with the high-order bits of the address of the delay slot. The program unconditionally jumps to this calculated address with a delay of one instruction. The address of the instruction after the delay slot is placed in the link register, *r31*.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

T: temp \leftarrow target
GPR[31] \leftarrow PC + 8
T+1: PC_{11...0} \leftarrow temp_{11...2} || 0²

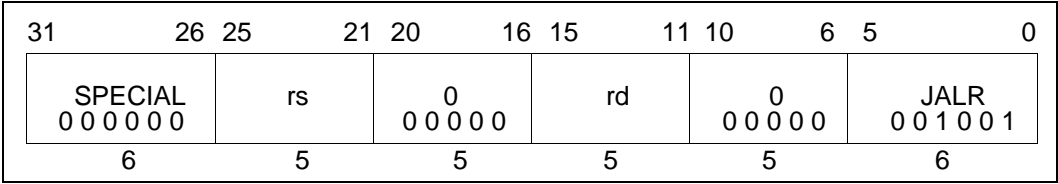
Exceptions:

None

JALR

Jump And Link Register

JALR



Format:

```
jalr rs
jalr rd, rs
```

Description:

The program unconditionally jumps to the address contained in general register *rs*, with a delay of one instruction. The address of the instruction after the delay slot is placed in general register *rd*. The default value of *rd*, if omitted in the assembly language instruction, is 31.

Register specifiers *rs* and *rd* may not be equal, because such an instruction does not have the same effect when re-executed. However, an attempt to execute this instruction is *not* trapped, and the result of executing such an instruction is undefined.

Since instructions must be word-aligned, a **Jump and Link Register** instruction must specify a target register (*rs*) whose two low-order bits are zero.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

Operation:

```
T:      temp ← GPR [rs]
        GPR[rd] ← PC + 8
T+1:    PC11...0 ← temp11...0
```

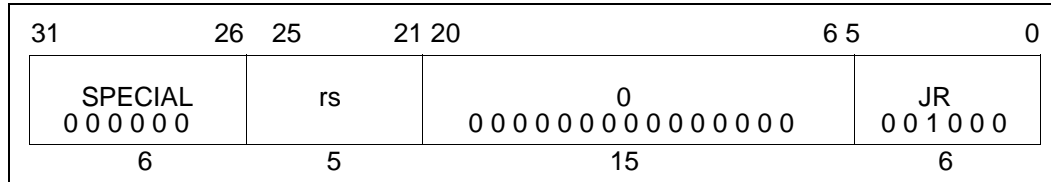
Exceptions:

None

JR

Jump Register

JR



Format:

jr rs

Description:

The program unconditionally jumps to the address contained in general register *rs*, with a delay of one instruction.

Since instructions must be word-aligned, a **Jump Register** instruction must specify a target register (*rs*) whose two low-order bits are zero.

Since the RSP program counter is only 12 bits, only 12 bits of the calculated address are used.

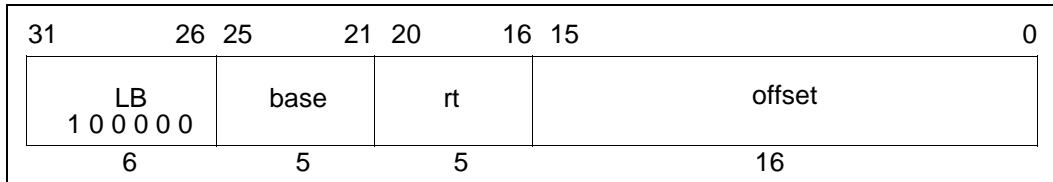
Operation:

T: temp ← GPR[rs]
T+1: PC_{11...0} ← temp_{11...0}

Exceptions:

None

LB Load Byte LB



Format:

```
lb rt, offset(base)
```

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The contents of the byte at the DMEM location specified by the effective address are sign-extended and loaded into general register *rt*.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15..0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

$$\text{GPR}[\text{rt}]_{31..0} \leftarrow (\text{dmem}[\text{Addr}]_7^{24} \parallel \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11..0}]_{7..0})$$

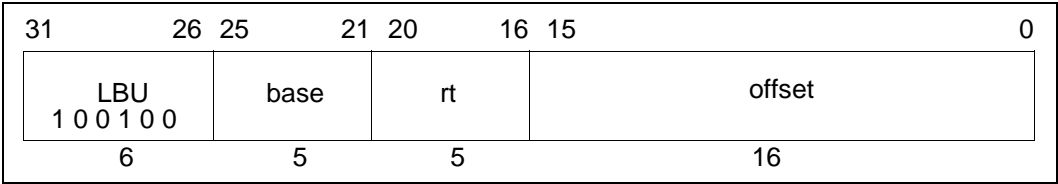
Exceptions:

None

LBU

Load Byte Unsigned

LBU



Format:

lbu rt, offset(base)

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The contents of the byte at the DMEM location specified by the effective address are zero-extended and loaded into general register *rt*.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

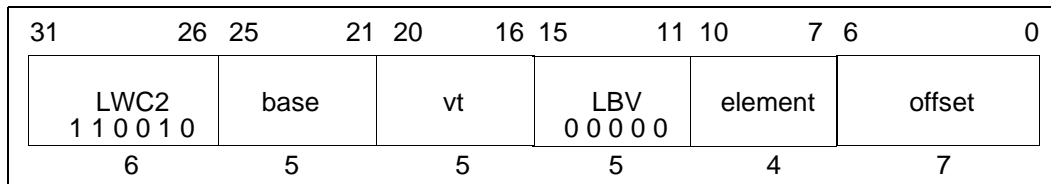
Operation:

T:

$Addr \leftarrow ((offset_{15})^{16} \parallel offset_{15...0}) + GPR[base]$
 $GPR[rt]_{31...0} \leftarrow (0^{24} \parallel dmem[Addr_{11...0}]_{7..0})$

Exceptions:

None

LBV**Load Byte
into Vector Register****LBV****Format:**

```
lbv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads a byte (8 bits) from the effective address of DMEM into byte *e* of vector register *vt*.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15 \dots 0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

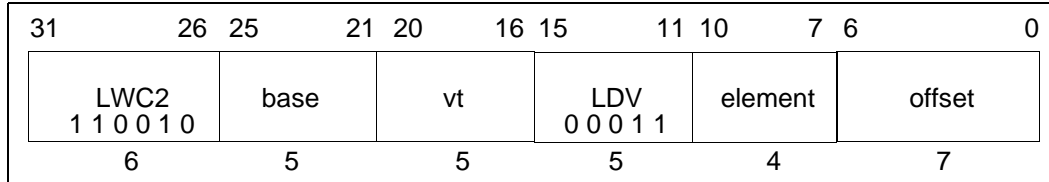
$$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][\text{element}]_{7 \dots 0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11 \dots 0}]_{7 \dots 0}$$
Exceptions:

None

LDV

Load Double
into Vector Register

LDV

**Format:**

```
ldv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads a double (64 bits) from the effective address of DMEM into vector register *vt* starting at byte *e*.

The effective address is computed by shifting the *offset* up by 3 bits and adding it to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

The *offset* field of the instruction is encoded by shifting the offset used in the source code down 3 bit, so the offset used in the source code must be a multiple of 8 bytes.

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

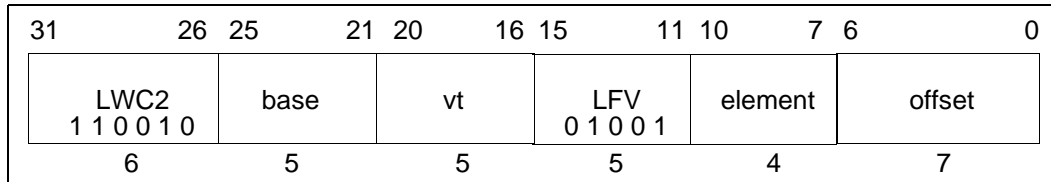
Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{13} \parallel \text{offset}_{15..0} \parallel 0^3) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

$$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][\text{element}]_{63..0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11..0}]_{63..0}$$
Exceptions:

None

LFV**Load Packed Fourth
into Vector Register****LFV****Format:**

```
lfv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads every fourth byte of a 128-bit word into a VU register element. Since `lfv` only moves four bytes, the *element* field selects the upper or lower group of four destination register elements. The bytes are loaded with their MSB positioned at bit 14 in the register element. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15 \dots 0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$

for i in 0...3

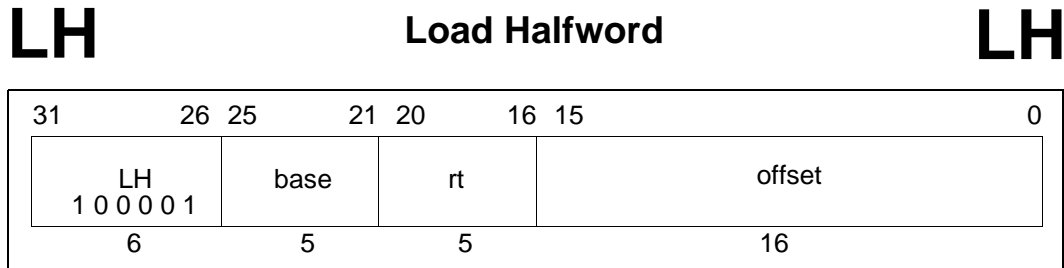
$\text{Addr} = \text{Addr} + i * 4$

$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][\text{element} + i * 2]_{15 \dots 0} \leftarrow (0^1 \parallel \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11 \dots 0}]_{7 \dots 0} \parallel 0^7)$

endfor

Exceptions:

None

**Format:**

```
lh rt, offset(base)
```

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The contents of the halfword at the DMEM location specified by the effective address are sign-extended and loaded into general register *rt*.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15..0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

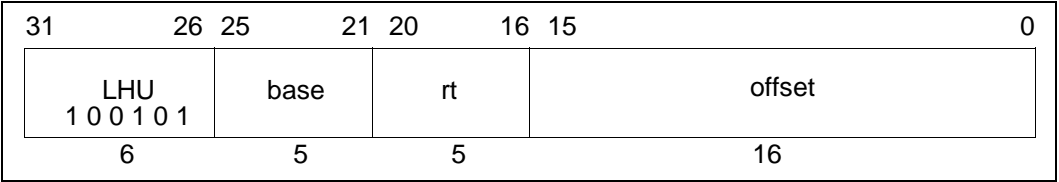
$$\text{GPR}[\text{rt}]_{31..0} \leftarrow (\text{dmem}[\text{Addr}]_7^{16} \parallel \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11..0}]_{15..0})$$
Exceptions:

None

LHU

Load Halfword Unsigned

LHU



Format:

```
lhu rt, offset(base)
```

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The contents of the halfword at the DMEM location specified by the effective address are zero-extended and loaded into general register *rt*.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

```
T:
  Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
  GPR[rt]31...0 ← (016 || dmem[Addr11...0]15..0)
```

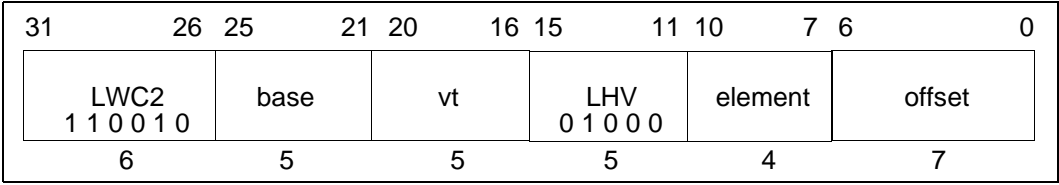
Exceptions:

None

LHV

Load Packed Half
into Vector Register

LHV



Format:

```
lhv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads every second byte of a 128-bit word into a VU register element. The bytes are loaded with their MSB positioned at bit 14 in the register element. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

This instruction could be used for unpacking pixel chroma (UV) values, as required by MPEG video compression.

Operation:

T:

$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15 \dots 0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$

for i in 0...7

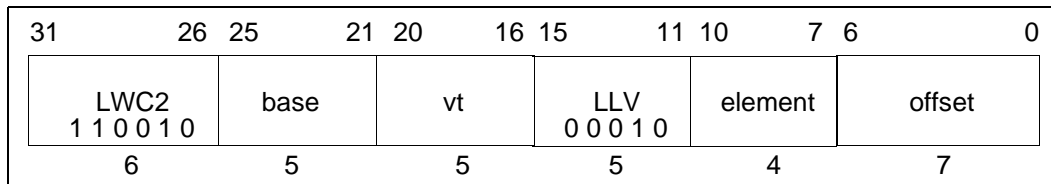
$\text{Addr} = \text{Addr} + i * 2$

$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][i*2]_{15 \dots 0} \leftarrow (0^1 \parallel \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11 \dots 0}]_{7 \dots 0} \parallel 0^7)$

endfor

Exceptions:

None

LLV**Load Long
into Vector Register****LLV****Format:**

```
llv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads a long (32 bits) from the effective address of DMEM into vector register *vt* starting at byte *e*.

The effective address is computed by shifting the *offset* up by 2 bits and adding it to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

The *offset* field of the instruction is encoded by shifting the offset used in the source code down 2 bit, so the offset used in the source code must be a multiple of 4 bytes.

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{14} \parallel \text{offset}_{15..0} \parallel 0^2) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

$$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][\text{element}]_{31..0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11..0}]_{31..0}$$

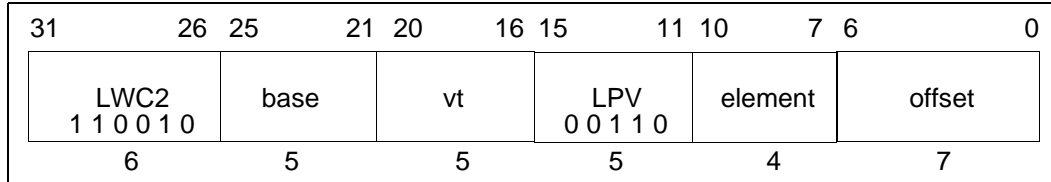
Exceptions:

None

LPV

Load Packed Bytes into Vector Register

LPV



Format:

```
lpv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads eight consecutive bytes into the upper bytes of eight VU register elements. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

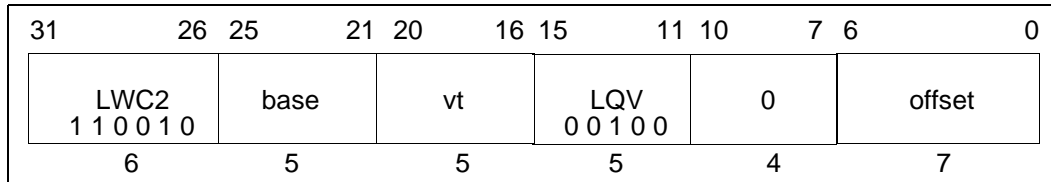
Operation:

T:

```
Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
for i in 0...7
    Addr = Addr + i
    VR[vt][i*2]15...0 ← (dmem[Addr11...0]7...0 || 08)
endfor
```

Exceptions:

None

LQV**Load Quad
into Vector Register****LQV****Format:**

```
lqv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads a byte-aligned quad word (128 bits) from the effective address of DMEM up to the 128 bit boundary, that is (address) to ((address & ~15) + 15), into vector register *vt* starting at byte element 0 up to (address & 15). The remaining portion of the quad word can be loaded with the appropriate LRV instruction. See Figure 3-2, “Long, Quad, and Rest Loads and Stores,” on page 51.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

TOperation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15...0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

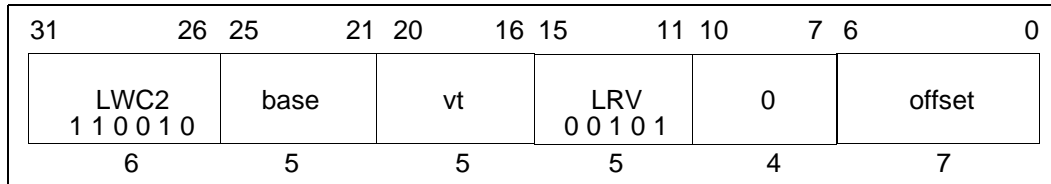
$$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][0]_{127...0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11...0}]_{127...0}$$
Exceptions:

None

LRV

Load Quad (Rest) into Vector Register

LRV



Format:

```
lrv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads a byte-aligned quad word from the 128 bit aligned boundary up to the byte address, that is (address & ~15) to (address - 1), into vector register byte element (16 - (address & 15)) to 15. See Figure 3-2, “Long, Quad, and Rest Loads and Stores,” on page 51. A LRV with a byte address of zero reads no bytes.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Operation:

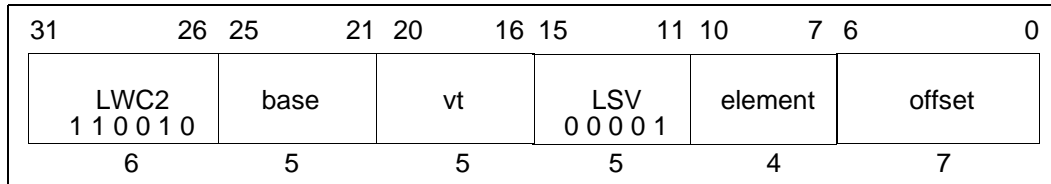
T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15...0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

$$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][0]_{127...0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11...0}]_{127...0}$$

Exceptions:

None

LSV**Load Short
into Vector Register****LSV****Format:**

```
lsv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads a short (16 bits) from the effective address of DMEM into vector register *vt* starting at byte *e*.

The effective address is computed by shifting the *offset* up by 1 bit and adding it to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

The *offset* field of the instruction is encoded by shifting the offset used in the source code down 1 bit, so the offset used in the source code must be a multiple of 2 bytes.

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{15} \parallel \text{offset}_{15..0} \parallel 0^1) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

$$\text{VR}[\text{vt}][\text{element}]_{15..0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11..0}]_{15..0}$$

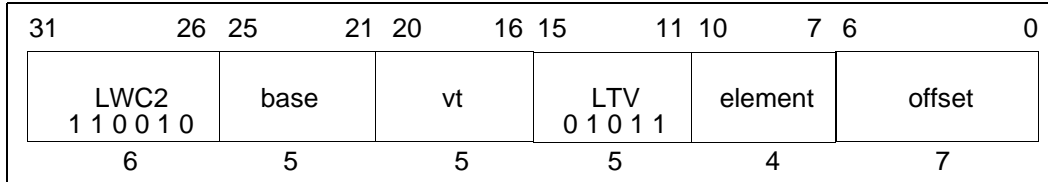
Exceptions:

None

LTV

**Load Transpose
into Vector Register**

LTV



Format:

`ltv vt[element], offset(base)`

Description:

This instruction loads an aligned 128 bit memory word into a group of 8 vector registers, scattering this memory word into a diagonal vector of shorts in 8 VU registers. The VU register number of each slice is computed as $(VT \& 0x18) | ((Slice + (Element \gg 1)) \& 0x7)$, which is to say that *vt* specifies the beginning of an 8 register group.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

See “Transpose” on page 54.

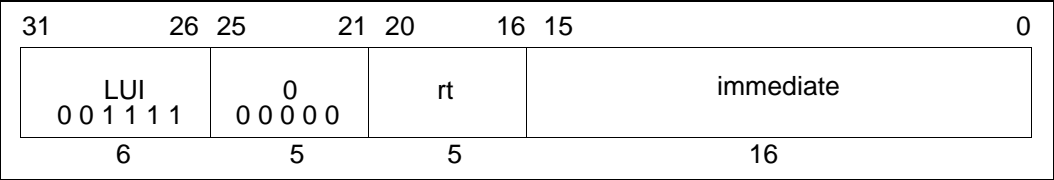
Exceptions:

None

LUI

Load Upper Immediate

LUI



Format:

```
lui rt, immediate
```

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is shifted left 16 bits and concatenated to 16 bits of zeros. The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[rt] \leftarrow \text{immediate}_{15..0} || 0^{16}$

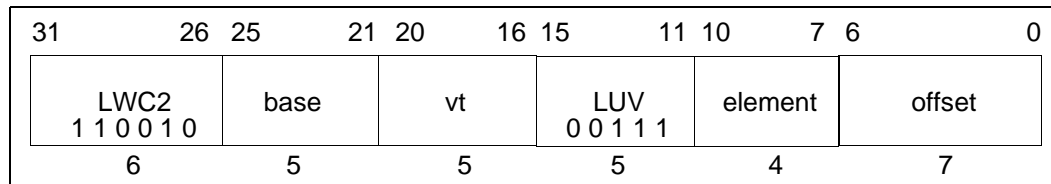
Exceptions:

None

LUV

**Load Unsigned Packed
into Vector Register**

LUV



Format:

```
luv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction loads eight consecutive bytes into the upper bytes of eight VU register elements. The bytes are loaded with their MSB positioned at bit 14 in the register element. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

This instruction has three load delay slots (results are available in the fourth instruction following this load). If an attempt is made to use the target register *vt* in a delay slot, hardware register interlocking will stall the processor until the load is completed.

Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

This instruction could be used to unpack 8-bit pixel data such as RGBA or luma (Y) values.

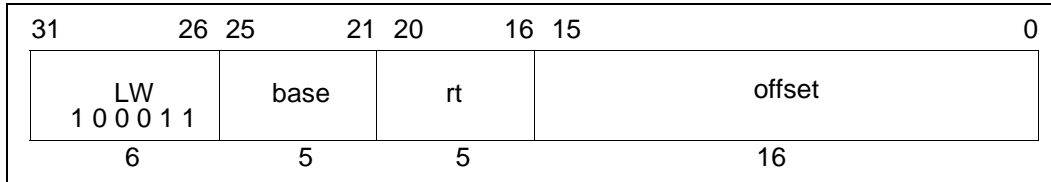
Operation:

T:

```
Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
for i in 0...7
    Addr = Addr + i
    VR[vt][i*2]15...0 ← (01 || dmem[Addr11...0]7...0 || 07)
endfor
```

Exceptions:

None

LW**Load Word****LW****Format:**

```
lw rt, offset(base)
```

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The contents of the word at the DMEM location specified by the effective address are loaded into general register *rt*.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

T:

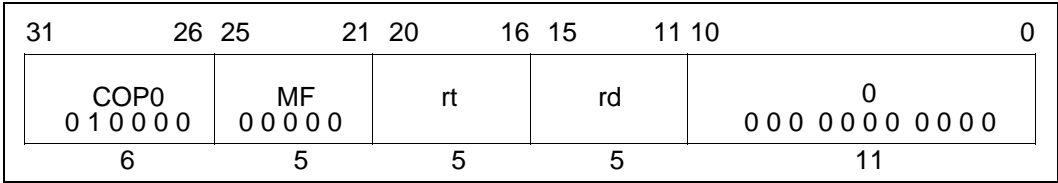
$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15 \dots 0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$
$$\text{GPR}[\text{rt}]_{31 \dots 0} \leftarrow \text{dmem}[\text{Addr}_{11 \dots 0}]_{31 \dots 0}$$
Exceptions:

None

MFC0

Move From
System Control Coprocessor

MFC0



Format:

mfc0 rt, rd

Description:

The contents of coprocessor register *rd* of the CP0 are loaded into general register *rt*.

Operation:

T: data ← CPR[0,rd]
T+1: GPR[rt] ← data

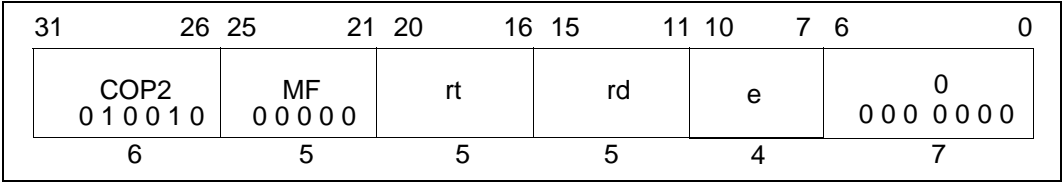
Exceptions:

None

MFC2

Move From
Coproprocessor 2 (VU)

MFC2



Format:

```
mfc2 rt, vd[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit contents at byte element *e* of VU register *vd* are sign-extended and loaded into general register *rt*.

Operation:

```
T:   data15...0 ← VR[vd][e]15...0
T+1: GPR[rt]31...0 ← data1516 || data15...0
```

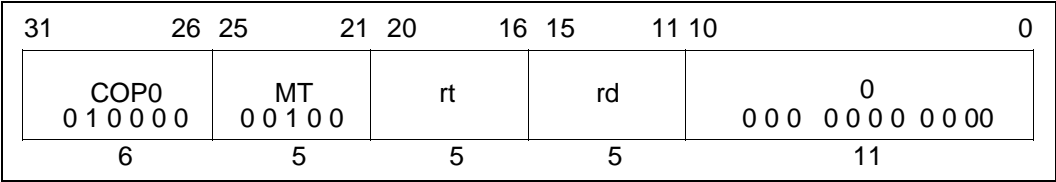
Exceptions:

None

MTC0

Move To
System Control Coprocessor

MTC0



Format:

mtc0 rt, rd

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are loaded into coprocessor register *rd* of CP0.

Operation:

T: data ← GPR[rt]
T+1: CPR[0,rd] ← data

Exceptions:

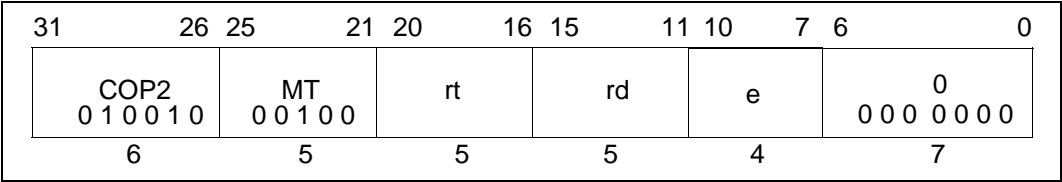
None

MTC2

Move To

Coprocessor 2 (VU)

MTC2



Format:

```
mtc2 rt, vd[e]
```

Description:

The least significant 16 bits of general register *rt* are loaded at byte element *e* of VU register *vd*.

Operation:

```
T:  data15...0 ← GPR[rt]15...0
T+1: VR[vd][e]15...0 ← data15...0
```

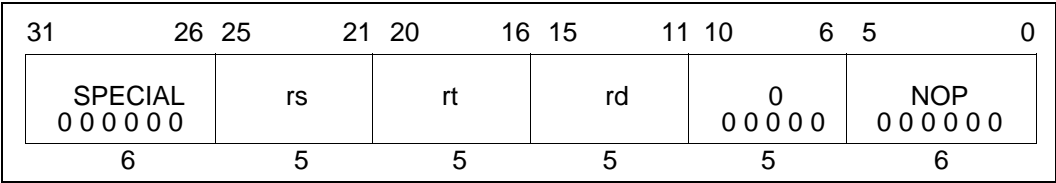
Exceptions:

None

NOP

Null Operation

NOP



Format:

nop

Description:

This instruction does nothing; it modifies no registers and changes no internal RSP state.

It is useful for program instruction padding or insertion into branch delay slots (when no useful work can be done).

Operation:

T: nothing happens

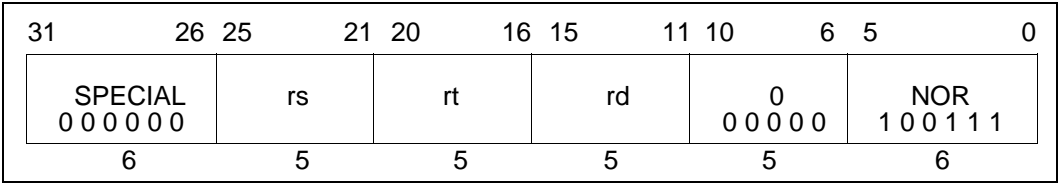
Exceptions:

None

NOR

Nor

NOR



Format:

```
nor rd, rs, rt
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rs* are combined with the contents of general register *rt* in a bit-wise logical NOR operation. The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] \text{ nor } \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

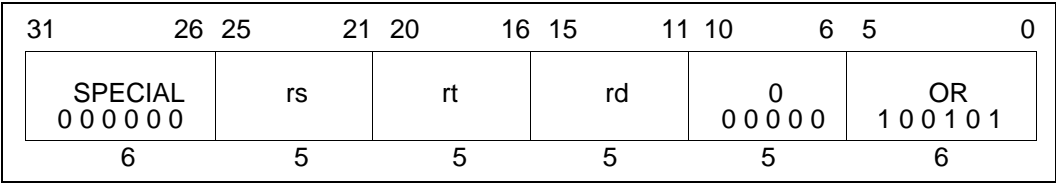
Exceptions:

None

OR

or

OR



Format:

or rd, rs, rt

Description:

The contents of general register *rs* are combined with the contents of general register *rt* in a bit-wise logical OR operation. The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Operation:

T: GPR[rd] ← GPR[rs] or GPR[rt]

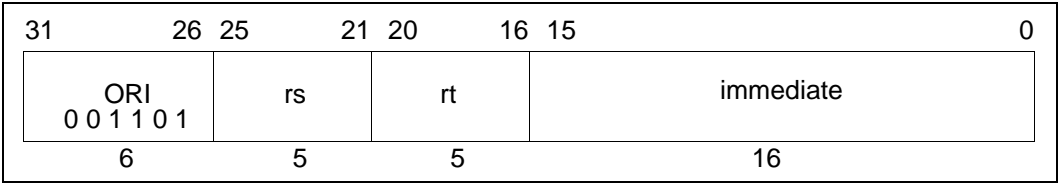
Exceptions:

None

ORI

Or Immediate

ORI



Format:

```
ori rt, rs, immediate
```

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is zero-extended and combined with the contents of general register *rs* in a bit-wise logical OR operation. The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[rt] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[rs]_{31...16} \parallel (\text{immediate or GPR}[rs]_{15...0})$

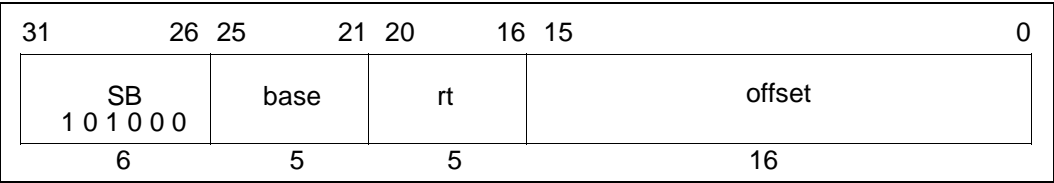
Exceptions:

None

SB

Store Byte

SB



Format:

`sb rt, offset(base)`

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The least-significant byte of register *rt* is stored at the DMEM address.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

T:
 $\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15 \dots 0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$
 $\text{data} \leftarrow \text{GPR}_{7 \dots 0}$
StoreDMEM (BYTE, data, Addr_{11...0})

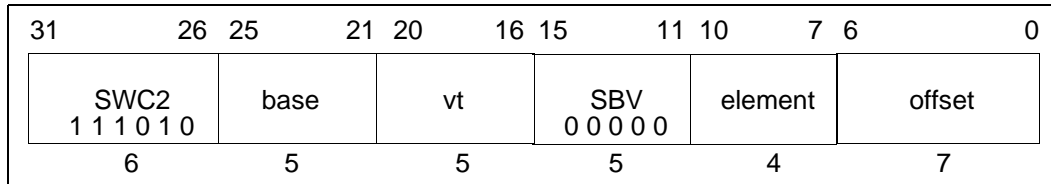
Exceptions:

None

SBV

**Store Byte
from Vector Register**

SBV



Format:

`sbv vt[element], offset(base)`

Description:

This instruction stores a byte from a vector register *vt* into DMEM.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15...0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$
 $\text{data} \leftarrow \text{VR}[\text{vt}][\text{element}]_{7...0}$
StoreDMEM (BYTE, data, Addr_{11...0})

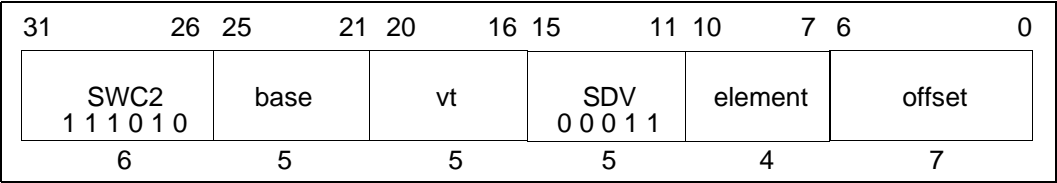
Exceptions:

None

SDV

Store Double
from Vector Register

SDV



Format:

`sdv vt[element], offset(base)`

Description:

This instruction stores a double word (64 bits) from a vector register *vt* into DMEM.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:
Addr ← ((offset₁₅)¹⁶ || offset_{15...0}) + GPR[base]
data ← VR[vt][element]_{63...0}
StoreDMEM (DOUBLEWORD, data, Addr_{11...0})

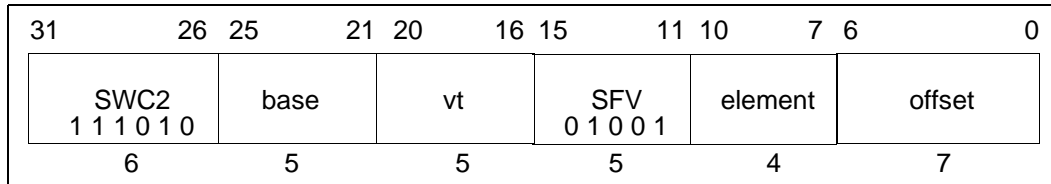
Exceptions:

None

SFV

Store Packed Fourth from Vector Register

SFV



Format:

```
sfv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores a byte from each of four VU register elements, to every fourth byte of a 128-bit word in DMEM. Since `sfv` only moves four bytes, the *element* field selects the upper or lower group of four destination register elements. The bytes are taken from the register elements with their MSB positioned at bit 14. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

```
T:
  Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
  for i in 0...3
    Addr = Addr + i * 4
    data ← VR[vt][element + i*2]14...7
    StoreDMEM (BYTE, data, Addr11...0)
  endfor
```

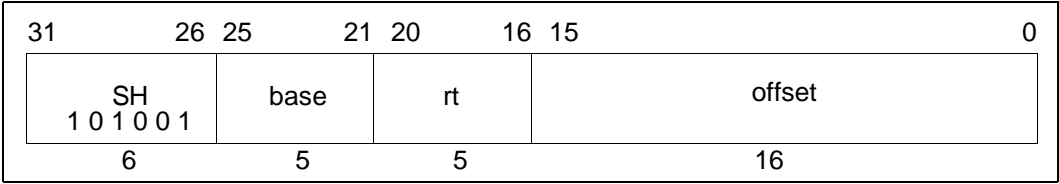
Exceptions:

None

SH

Store Halfword

SH



Format:

`sh rt, offset(base)`

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form an unsigned DMEM address. The least-significant halfword of register *rt* is stored at the DMEM address.

Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

T:
 $\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15 \dots 0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$
 $\text{data} \leftarrow \text{GPR}_{15 \dots 0}$
 $\text{StoreDMEM}(\text{HALFWORD}, \text{data}, \text{Addr}_{11 \dots 0})$

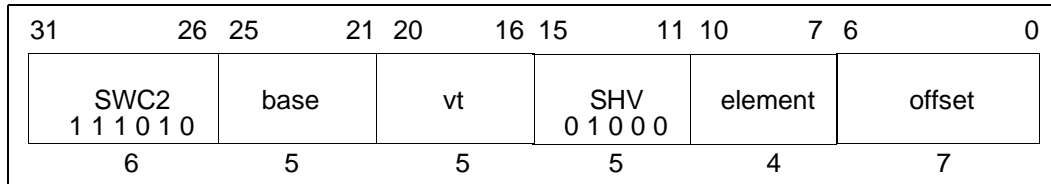
Exceptions:

None

SHV

Store Packed Half
from Vector Register

SHV

**Format:**

```
shv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores a byte from each of eight VU register elements, to every second byte of a 128-bit word in DMEM. The bytes are taken from the register elements with their MSB positioned at bit 14. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

This instruction could be used to pack pixel chroma (UV) values, as required for MPEG compression.

Operation:

T:

```
Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
for i in 0...7
    Addr = Addr + i * 2
    data ← VR[vt][i*2]14...7
    StoreDMEM (BYTE, data, Addr11...0)
endfor
```

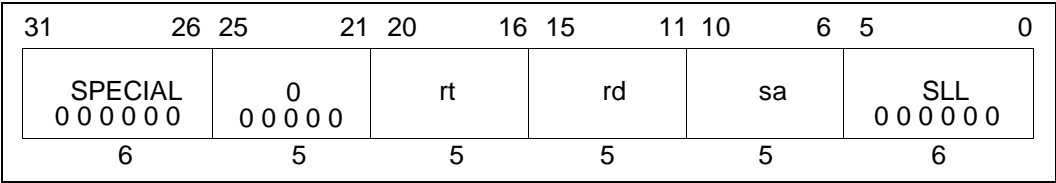
Exceptions:

None

SLL

Shift Left Logical

SLL



Format:

```
sll rd, rt, sa
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are shifted left by *sa* bits, inserting zeros into the low-order bits.

The result is placed in register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]_{31-\text{sa} \dots 0} \parallel 0^{\text{sa}}$

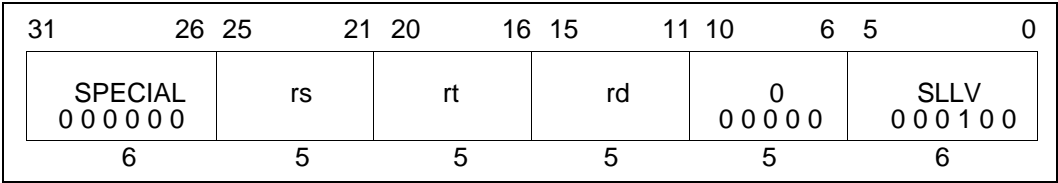
Exceptions:

None

SLLV

Shift Left Logical Variable

SLLV



Format:

```
sllv rd, rt, rs
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are shifted left the number of bits specified by the low-order five bits contained in general register *rs*, inserting zeros into the low-order bits.

The result is placed in register *rd*.

Operation:

```
T:  s ← GP[rs]4...0
      GPR[rd] ← GPR[rt](31-s)...0 || 0s
```

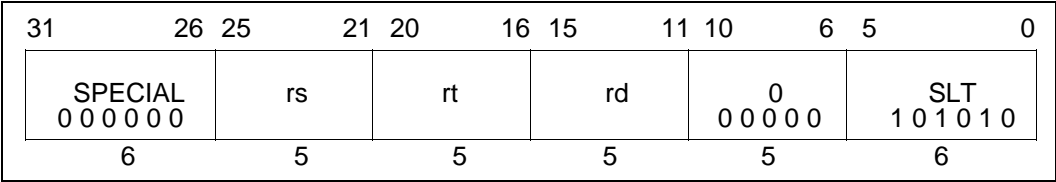
Exceptions:

None

SLT

Set On Less Than

SLT



Format:

slt rd, rs, rt

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are subtracted from the contents of general register *rs*. Considering both quantities as signed integers, if the contents of general register *rs* are less than the contents of general register *rt*, the result is set to one; otherwise the result is set to zero.

The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Operation:

T: if GPR[rs] < GPR[rt] then
 GPR[rd] ← 0³¹ || 1
 else
 GPR[rd] ← 0³²
 endif

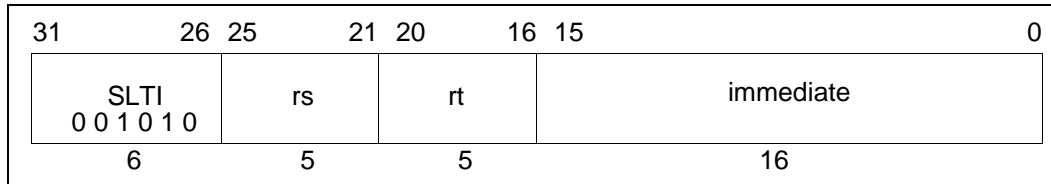
Exceptions:

None

SLTI

Set On Less Than Immediate

SLTI



Format:

```
slti rt, rs, immediate
```

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is sign-extended and subtracted from the contents of general register *rs*. Considering both quantities as signed integers, if *rs* is less than the sign-extended immediate, the result is set to one; otherwise the result is set to zero.

The result is placed into general register *rt*.

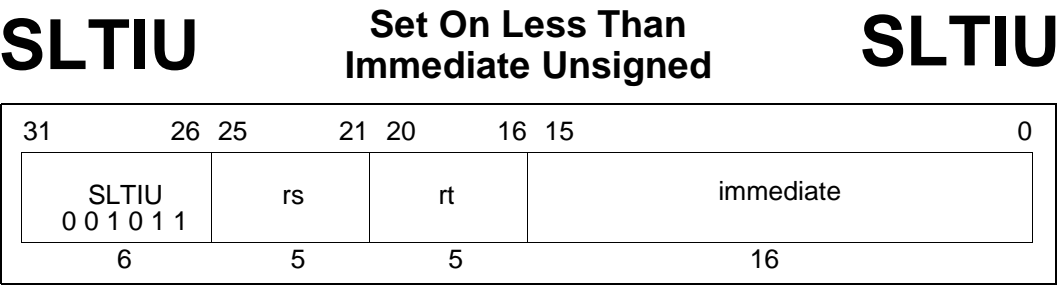
Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for SLTI, this command behaves identically to SLTIU.

Operation:

```
T:  if GPR[rs] < (immediate15)16 || immediate15...0 then
      GPR[rd] ← 031 || 1
    else
      GPR[rd] ← 032
    endif
```

Exceptions:

None



Format:

sltiu rt, rs, immediate

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is sign-extended and subtracted from the contents of general register *rs*. Considering both quantities as unsigned integers, if *rs* is less than the sign-extended immediate, the result is set to one; otherwise the result is set to zero.

The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for SLTI, this command behaves identically to SLTI.

Operation:

T: if (0 || GPR[rs]) < (immediate₁₅)¹⁶ || immediate_{15...0} then
 GPR[rd] ← 0³¹ || 1
 else
 GPR[rd] ← 0³²
 endif

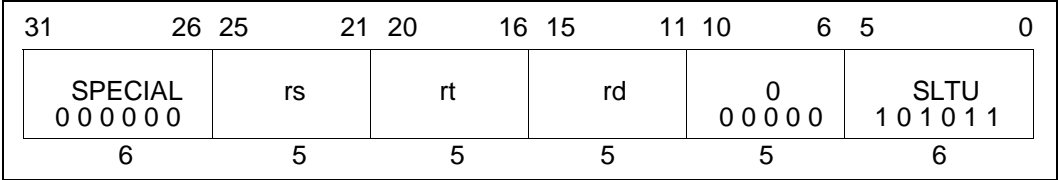
Exceptions:

None

SLTU

Set On Less Than Unsigned

SLTU



Format:

```
sltu rd, rs, rt
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are subtracted from the contents of general register *rs*. Considering both quantities as unsigned integers, if the contents of general register *rs* are less than the contents of general register *rt*, the result is set to one; otherwise the result is set to zero.

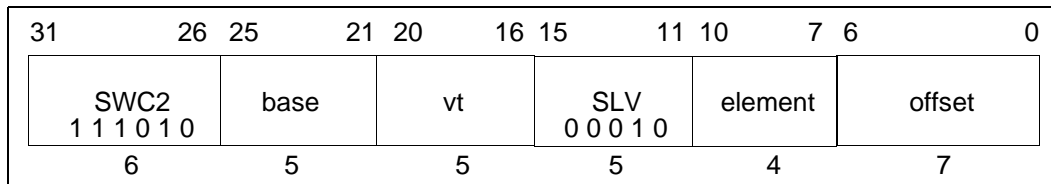
The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Operation:

```
T:  if (0 || GPR[rs]) < 0 || GPR[rt] then
      GPR[rd] ← 031 || 1
    else
      GPR[rd] ← 032
    endif
```

Exceptions:

None

SLV**Store Long
from Vector Register****SLV****Format:**

```
slv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores a long word (32 bits) from vector register *vt* into DMEM.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

```
Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
data ← VR[vt][element]31...0
StoreDMEM (WORD, data, Addr11...0)
```

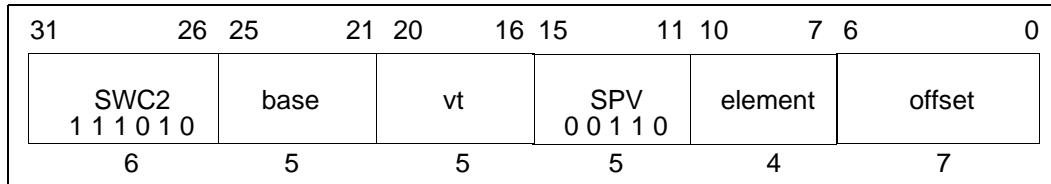
Exceptions:

None

SPV

Store Packed Bytes from Vector Register

SPV



Format:

```
spv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores the upper byte from each of eight VU register elements, to consecutive bytes of a 128-bit word in DMEM. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

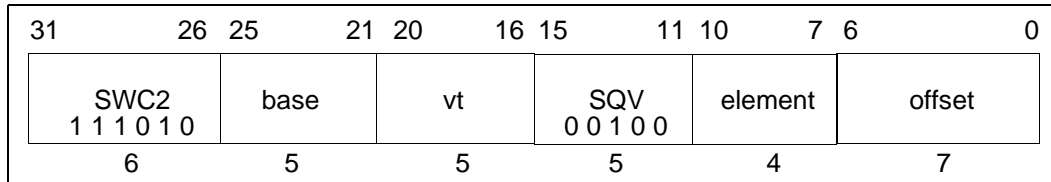
Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

Operation:

```
T:
  Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
  for i in 0...7
    Addr = Addr + i
    data ← VR[vt][i*2]15...8
    StoreDMEM (BYTE, data, Addr11...0)
  endfor
```

Exceptions:

None

SQV**Store Quad
from Vector Register****SQV****Format:**

```
sqv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores a vector register *vt* starting at byte element 0 up to byte (address & 15), to a byte-aligned quad word (128 bits) at the effective address of DMEM up to the 128 bit boundary, that is (address) to ((address & ~15) + 15). The remaining portion of the quad word can be stored with the appropriate SRV instruction. See Figure 3-2, “Long, Quad, and Rest Loads and Stores,” on page 51.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

Operation:

T:

$$\text{Addr} \leftarrow ((\text{offset}_{15})^{16} \parallel \text{offset}_{15...0}) + \text{GPR}[\text{base}]$$

$$\text{data} \leftarrow \text{VR}[\text{vt}][0]_{127...0}$$

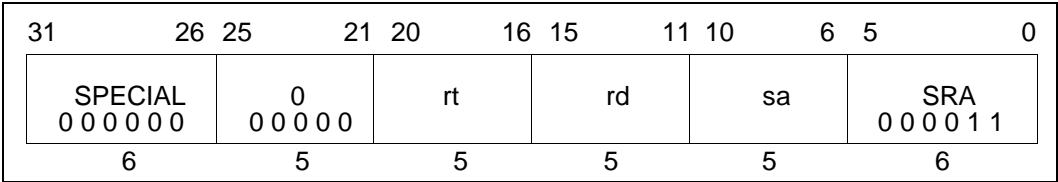
$$\text{StoreDMEM}(\text{QUADWORD}, \text{data}, \text{Addr}_{11...0})$$
Exceptions:

None

SRA

Shift Right Arithmetic

SRA



Format:

```
sra rd, rt, sa
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are shifted right by *sa* bits, sign-extending the high-order bits.
The result is placed in register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow (\text{GPR}[\text{rt}]_{31})^{\text{sa}} \parallel \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]_{31 \dots \text{sa}}$

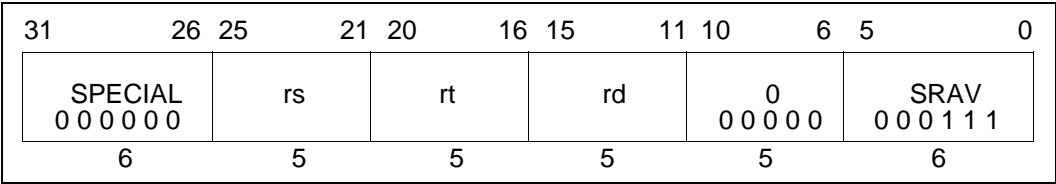
Exceptions:

None

SRAV

Shift Right
Arithmetic Variable

SRAV



Format:

srav rd, rt, rs

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are shifted right by the number of bits specified by the low-order five bits of general register *rs*, sign-extending the high-order bits.

The result is placed in register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $s \leftarrow \text{GPR}[rs]_{4...0}$
 $\text{GPR}[rd] \leftarrow (\text{GPR}[rt]_{31})^s \parallel \text{GPR}[rt]_{31...s}$

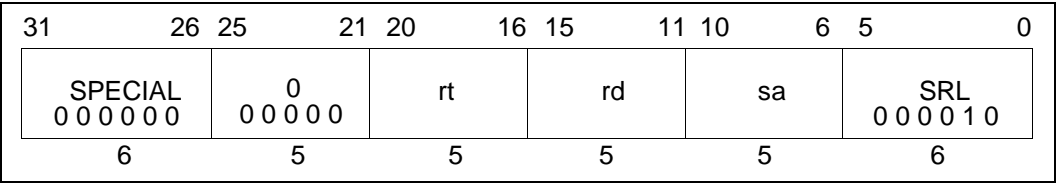
Exceptions:

None

SRL

Shift Right Logical

SRL



Format:

```
srl rd, rt, sa
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are shifted right by *sa* bits, inserting zeros into the high-order bits.

The result is placed in register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[rd] \leftarrow 0^{sa} \parallel \text{GPR}[rt]_{31 \dots sa}$

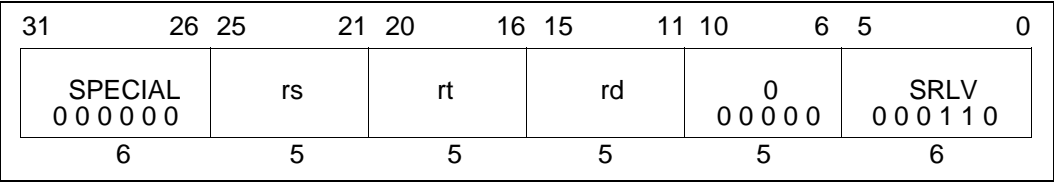
Exceptions:

None

SRLV

Shift Right Logical Variable

SRLV



Format:

```
srlv rd, rt, rs
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are shifted right by the number of bits specified by the low-order five bits of general register *rs*, inserting zeros into the high-order bits.

The result is placed in register *rd*.

Operation:

```
T:  s ← GPR[rs]4...0
    GPR[rd] ← 0s || GPR[rt]31...s
```

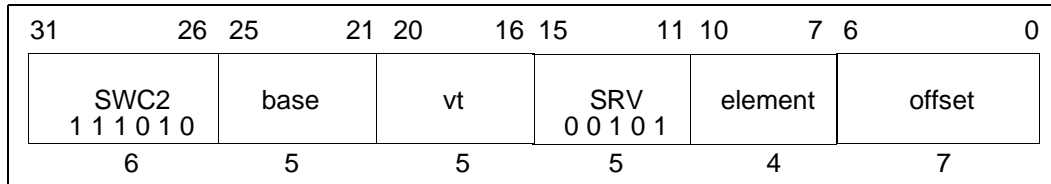
Exceptions:

None

SRV

Store Quad (Rest) from Vector Register

SRV



Format:

```
srv vt[e], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores a vector register from byte element (16 - (address & 15)) to 15, to the 128 bit aligned boundary up to the byte address, that is (address & ~15) to (address - 1). See Figure 3-2, “Long, Quad, and Rest Loads and Stores,” on page 51. A SRV with a byte address of zero writes no bytes.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *e* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

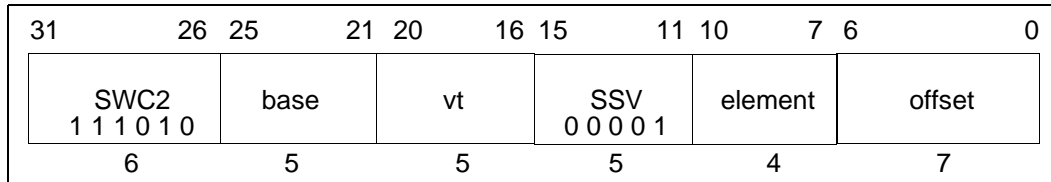
Operation:

T:

```
Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
data ← VR[vt][0]127...0
StoreDMEM (QUADWORD, data, Addr11...0)
```

Exceptions:

None

SSV**Store Short
from Vector Register****SSV****Format:**

```
ssv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores a half word (16 bits) from a vector register *vt* into DMEM.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

T:

```
Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
data ← VR[vt][element]15...0
StoreDMEM (HALFWORD, data, Addr11...0)
```

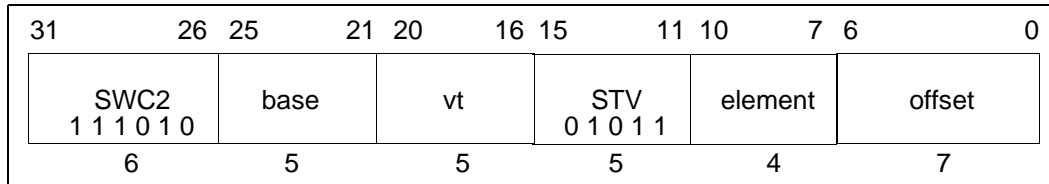
Exceptions:

None

STV

**Store Transpose
from Vector Register**

STV



Format:

`stv vt[element], offset(base)`

Description:

This instruction gathers a diagonal vector of shorts from a group of eight VU registers, writing to an aligned 128 bit memory word. The VU register number of each slice is computed as $(VT \& 0x18) | ((Slice + (Element \gg 1)) \& 0x7)$, which is to say that *vt* specifies the beginning of an 8 register group.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

See “Transpose” on page 54.

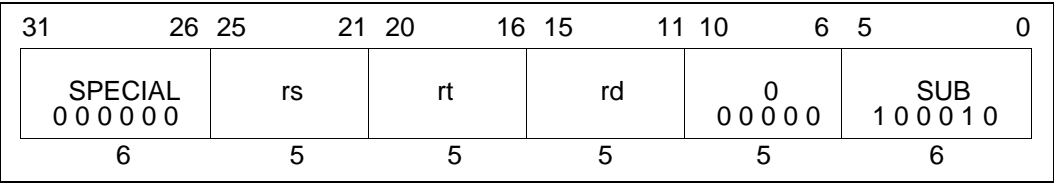
Exceptions:

None

SUB

Subtract

SUB



Format:

```
sub rd, rs, rt
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are subtracted from the contents of general register *rs* to form a result. The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for SUB, this command behaves identically to SUBU.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] - \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

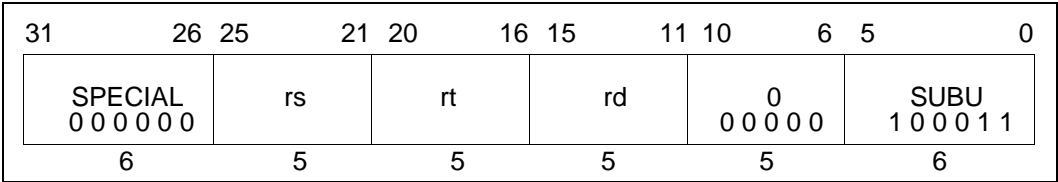
Exceptions:

None

SUBU

Subtract Unsigned

SUBU



Format:

```
subu rd, rs, rt
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rt* are subtracted from the contents of general register *rs* to form a result.

The result is placed into general register *rd*.

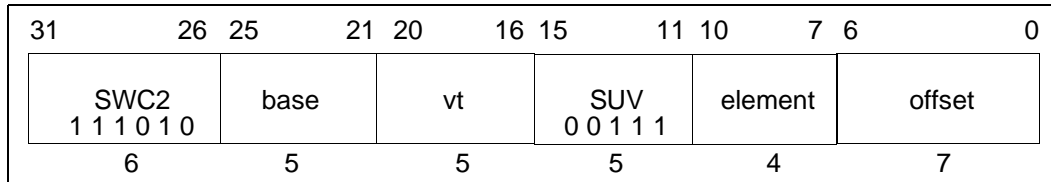
Since the RSP does not signal an overflow exception for SUB, this command behaves identically to SUBU.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] - \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

Exceptions:

None

SUV**Store Unsigned Packed
from Vector Register****SUV****Format:**

```
suv vt[0], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction stores eight consecutive bytes in DMEM, extracted from the upper bytes of eight VU register elements. The bytes are extracted with their MSB positioned at bit 14 from the register element. See Figure 3-3, “Packed Loads and Stores,” on page 53.

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* should be 0.

This instruction could be used to pack 8-bit pixel data such as RGBA or luma (Y) values.

Operation:

T:

```

Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
for i in 0...7
    Addr = Addr + i
    data7...0 ← VR[vt][i*2]14...7
    StoreDMEM (BYTE, data, Addr11...0)
endfor

```

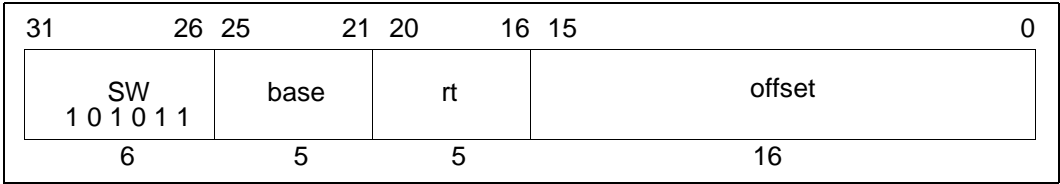
Exceptions:

None

SW

Store Word

SW



Format:

```
sw rt, offset(base)
```

Description:

The 16-bit *offset* is sign-extended and added to the contents of general register *base* to form a DMEM address. The contents of general register *rt* are stored at the DMEM location specified by the DMEM address.

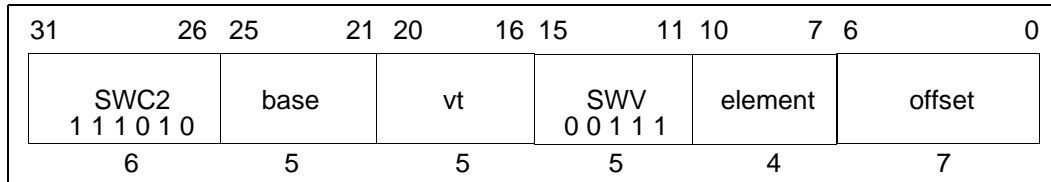
Since DMEM is only 4K bytes, only the lower 12 bits of the effective address are used.

Operation:

```
T:
  Addr ← ((offset15)16 || offset15...0) + GPR[base]
  data ← GPR31...0
  StoreDMEM (WORD, data, Addr11...0)
```

Exceptions:

None

SWV**Store Wrapped
from Vector Register****SWV****Format:**

```
swv vt[element], offset(base)
```

Description:

This instruction gathers a diagonal vector of shorts from a group of eight VU registers, writing to an aligned 128 bit memory word. The VU register number of each slice is computed as $(VT \& 0x18) | ((Slice + (Element \gg 1)) \& 0x7)$, which is to say that *vt* specifies the beginning of an 8 register group. SWV performs a circular shift of the 8 shorts by $(element \gg 1)$, which is equivalent to:

```
dest_short[ Slice ] = source_short[((Slice + (Element >> 1)) & 0x7)]
```

The effective address is computed by adding the *offset* to the contents of the *base* register (a SU GPR).

Note: The element specifier *element* is the byte element of the vector register, not the ordinal element count, as in VU computational instructions.

Operation:

See “Transpose” on page 54.

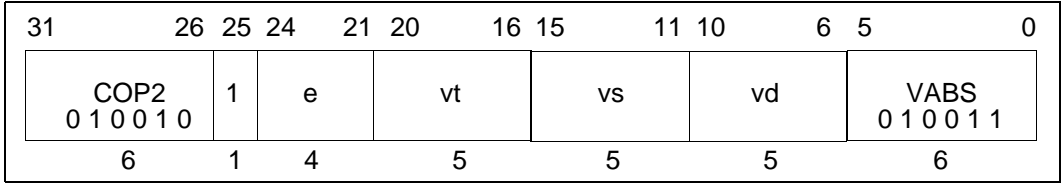
Exceptions:

None

VABS

Vector Absolute Value
of Short Elements

VABS



Format:

```
vabs vd, vs, vt
vabs vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are conditionally negated on an element-by-element basis by the sign of the elements of vector register *vs* and placed into vector register *vd*. If *vs* is equal to 0, *vs* is placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```

for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif

  if (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 < 0) then
    result15...0 ← -(VR[vt][j*2]15...0)
  elseif (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 = 015...0) then
    result15...0 ← 015...0
  elseif (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 > 0) then
    result15...0 ← VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  endif
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor

```

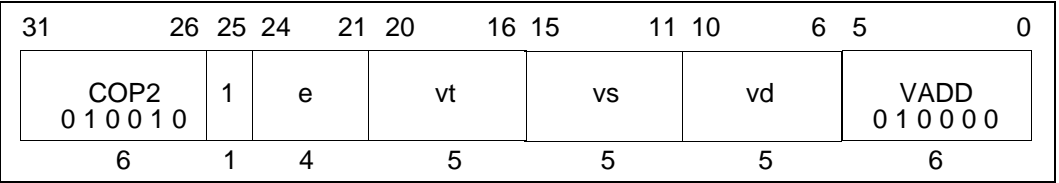
Exceptions:

None

VADD

Vector Add
of Short Elements

VADD



Format:

```
vadd vd, vs, vt
vadd vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are added on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*. The vector control register *VCO* is used as carry in; and *VCO* is cleared.

The results are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0 + VCOi
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(result15...0)
    ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  endfor
  VCO15...0 <-- 016

```

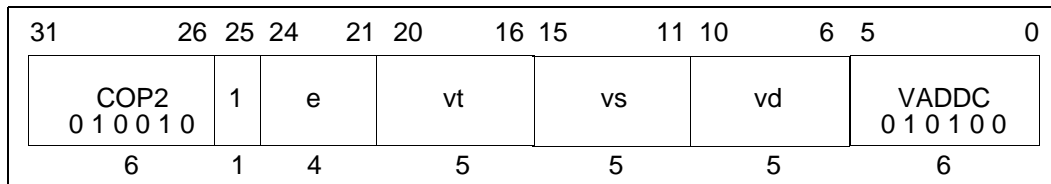
Exceptions:

None

VADDC

Vector Add Short Elements With Carry

VADDC



Format:

```
vaddc vd, vs, vt
vaddc vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are added on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*. The vector control register *VCO* is used as carry out. The results are not clamped.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    result16...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
    VCOi+8 ← 0
    VCOi ← result16
  endfor

```

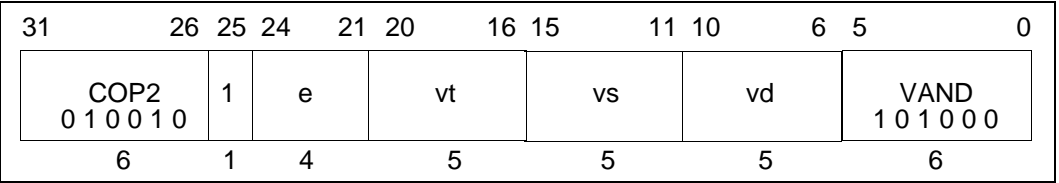
Exceptions:

None

VAND

Vector AND
of Short Elements

VAND



Format:

```
vand vd, vs, vt
vand vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are AND'd on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```
T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 and VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
  endfor
```

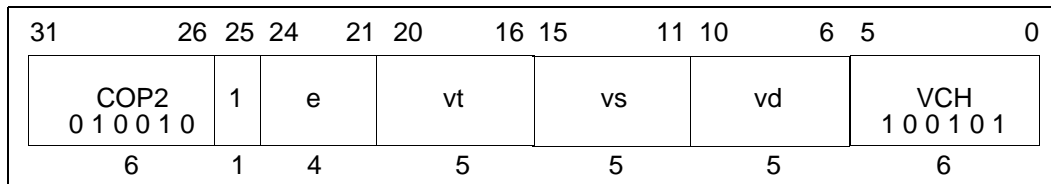
Exceptions:

None

VCH

**Vector Select Clip
Test High**

VCH



Format:

vch vd, vs, vt
vch vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. The clip test selects are an optimization for comparing the elements in *vs* to a scalar element in *vt*, or the vector *vt*, such as comparing *w* to *xyz* or clamping a vector to a +/- range. VCH performs

$$(-VT \geq VS \leq VT)$$

generating 16 bits in VCC and updating VCO and VCE with equal and sign values.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```

VCC15...0 ← 016
VCO15...0 ← 016
VCE7...0 ← 08
for i in 0...7
    if (e = 0000) then /* vector operand */
        j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    sign ← ((VR[vs][i*2]15...0 xor VR[vt][j*2]15...0) < 0)
    if (sign) then
        ge ← (VR[vt][j*2]15...0) < 0)
        le ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0) <= 0)
        vce ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0) = -1)
        eq ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0) = 0)
        di15...0 ← (le) ? -(VR[vt][j*2]15...0) : VR[vs][i*2]15...0
        ACC[i]15...0 ← di15...0
    else
        le ← (VR[vt][j*2]15...0) < 0)
        ge ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 - VR[vt][j*2]15...0) >= 0)
        vce ← 0
        eq ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 - VR[vt][j*2]15...0) = 0)
        di15...0 ← (ge) ? VR[vt][j*2]15...0 : VR[vs][i*2]15...0
        ACC[i]15...0 ← di15...0
    endif
endfor

```

```
VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← di15...0  
neq ← ~eq and 1  
VCC15...0 ← VCC15...0 or (ge << (i + 8)) or (le << i)  
VCO15...0 ← VCO15...0 or (neq << (i + 8)) or (sign << i)  
VCE7...0 ← VCE7...0 or (vce << (i + 8))  
endfor
```

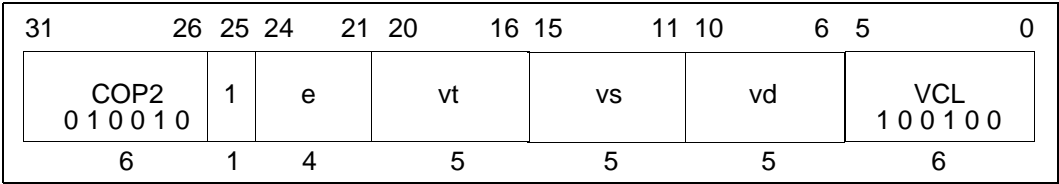
Exceptions:

None

VCL

Vector Select Clip
Test Low

VCL



Format:

```
vcl vd, vs, vt
vcl vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. The clip test selects are an optimization for comparing the elements in *vs* to a scalar element in *vt*, or the vector *vt*, such as comparing *w* to *xyz* or clamping a vector to a +/- range. VCL performs

$(-VT \geq VS \leq VT)$

generating 16 bits in VCC and updating VCO and VCE with equal and sign values.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  le ← (VCC15...0 >> i) and 1
  ge ← (VCC15...0 >> (i+8)) and 1
  vce ← (VCE7...0 >> i) and 1
  eq ← ~(VCO15...0 >> (i+8)) and 1
  sign ← (VCO15...0 >> i) and 1
  if (sign) then
    di15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    carry ← (di15...0 > 116)
    if (eq) then
      le ← (not vce and (((di15...0 and 116) = 0) and not carry)) or
            (vce and (((di15...0 and 116) = 0) or not carry))
    endif
    di15...0 ← (le) ? -(VR[vt][j*2]15...0) : VR[vs][i*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← di15...0
    VCEi ← 0
  else
```

```
    di15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 - VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    if (eq) then
        ge ← (di15...0 >= 0)
    endif
    di15...0 ← (ge) ? VR[vt][j*2]15...0 : VR[vs][i*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← di15...0
endif
VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← di15...0
VCC15...0 ← VCC15...0 and ~(1 || 07 || 1) << i) or (ge << (i+8)) or (le << i)
endfor
VCO15...0 ← 0
VCE7...0 ← 0
```

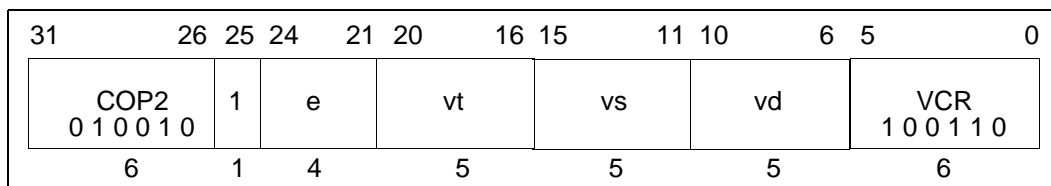
Exceptions:

None

VCR

Vector Select Crimp Test Low

VCR



Format:

```
vcr vd, vs, vt
vcr vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. The clip test selects are an optimization for comparing the elements in *vs* to a scalar element in *vt*, or the vector *vt*, such as comparing *w* to *xyz* or clamping a vector to a +/- range. VCR performs

$$(-VT \geq VS \leq VT)$$

generating 16 bits in VCC and updating VCO and VCE with equal and sign values. It interprets *vt* as a 1's complement number, useful for clamping to a power of 2. VCR is a single-precision instruction, and ignores VCO for input.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```

VCC15...0 ← 016
for i in 0...7
  if (e = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  sign ← ((VR[vs][i*2]15...0 xor VR[vt][j*2]15...0) < 0)
  if (sign) then
    ge ← (VR[vt][j*2]15...0 < 0)
    le ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 + VR[vt][j*2]15...0 + 1) <= 0)
    di15...0 ← (le) ? ~(VR[vt][j*2]15...0) : VR[vs][i*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← di15...0
  else
    le ← (VR[vt][j*2]15...0 < 0)
    ge ← (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 - VR[vt][j*2]15...0 >= 0)
    di15...0 ← (ge) ? VR[vt][j*2]15...0 : VR[vs][i*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← di15...0
  endif
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← di15...0
  VCC15...0 ← VCC15...0 or (ge << (i+8)) or (le << i)
endfor
VCO15...0 ← 0
VCE7...0 ← 0

```

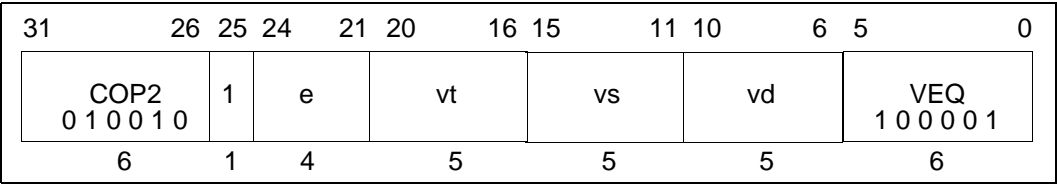
Exceptions:

None

VEQ

**Vector Select
Equal**

VEQ



Format:

veq vd, vs, vt
veq vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. *VCO* and *VCE* are used as input, *VCO* and *VCE* are cleared on output, and *VCC* is set with the results of the comparison (the element which is equal).

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif

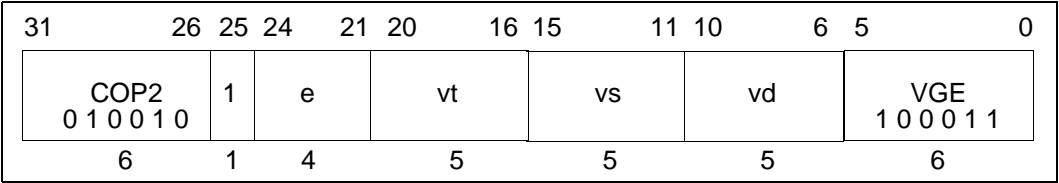
  if ((VR[vs][i*2]15...0 = VR[vt][j*2]15...0) and VCEi) then
    VCCi ← 1
  else
    VCCi ← 0
  endif

  if (VCCi) then
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  else
    result15...0 ← VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  endif
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
  VCOi ← 0
  VCOi+8 ← 0
  VCEi ← 0
endfor
```

Exceptions:

None

VGE Vector Select Greater Than or Equal VGE



Format:

```
vge vd, vs, vt
vge vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. *VCO* and *VCE* are used as input, *VCO* and *VCE* are cleared on output, and *VCC* is set with the results of the comparison (the element which is greater than or equal).

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  VCC ← 0
  for i in 0...7
    if (e = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif

    if (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 > VR[vt][j*2]15...0) then
      VCCi ← 1
    elseif ((VR[vs][i*2]15...0 = VR[vt][j*2]15...0) and (~VCOi | VCEi)) then
      VCCi ← 1
    else
      VCCi ← 0
    endif
    if (VCCi) then
      result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
    else
      result15...0 ← VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    endif
    ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
    VCOi ← 0
    VCOi+8 ← 0
    VCEi ← 0
  endfor

```

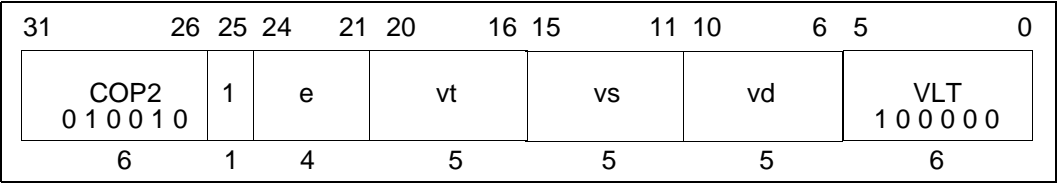
Exceptions:

None

VLT

Vector Select
Less Than

VLT



Format:

```
vlt vd, vs, vt
vlt vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. *VCO* and *VCE* are used as input, *VCO* and *VCE* are cleared on output, and *VCC* is set with the results of the comparison (the element which is less than).

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
VCC ← 0
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif

  if (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 < VR[vt][j*2]15...0) then
    VCCi ← 1
  elseif ((VR[vs][i*2]15...0 = VR[vt][j*2]15...0) and VCOi and ~VCEi) then
    VCCi ← 1
  else
    VCCi ← 0
  endif
  if (VCCi) then
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  else
    result15...0 ← VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  endif
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
VCO ← 0
VCE ← 0
```

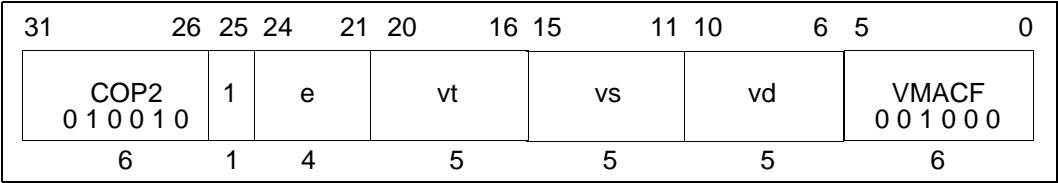

Exceptions:

None

VMACF

Vector Multiply-Accumulate
of Signed Fractions

VMACF



Format:

```
vmacf vd, vs, vt
vmacf vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and added to bits 47...16 of the accumulator.

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC47...16 ← ACC47...16 + (product30...0 || 0)
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
  endfor

```

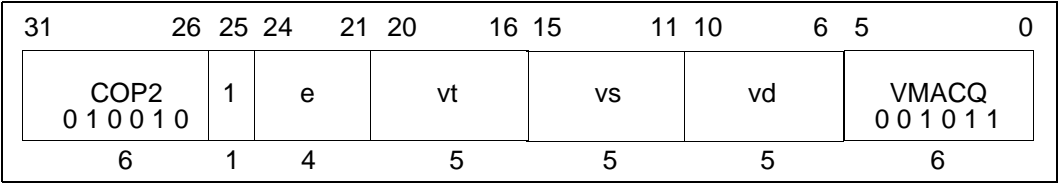
Exceptions:

None

VMACQ

Vector Accumulator
Oddification

VMACQ



Format:

```
vmacq vd, vs, vt
vmacq vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

This instruction ignores *vs* and *vt* inputs, and performs oddification¹ of the accumulator by adding (32 << 16) if the accumulator is negative and ACC₂₁ is zero; adding (-32 << 16) if the accumulator is positive and ACC₂₁ is zero; or adding zero if ACC_{47...21} are zero or ACC₂₁ is 1.

Bits 32...17 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

¹ Oddification is performed as described in the MPEG1 specification, ISO/IEC 11172-2.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    if (ACC47...0 < 0 and not ACC21) then
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + (026 || 1 || 021)
    elseif (ACC47...0 > 0 and not ACC21) then
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + (126 || 1 || 021)
    else
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + 048
    endif
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC32...17)
  endfor

```

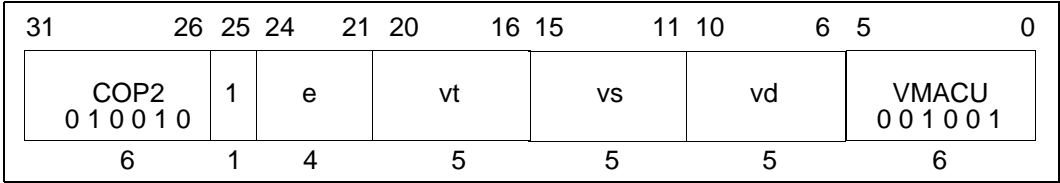
Exceptions:

None

VMACU

Vector Multiply-Accumulate
of Unsigned Fractions

VMACU



Format:

```
vmacu vd, vs, vt
vmacu vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and added to bits 47...16 of the accumulator.

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit unsigned values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC47...16 ← ACC47...16 + (product30...0 || 0)
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Unsigned(ACC31...16)
  endfor

```

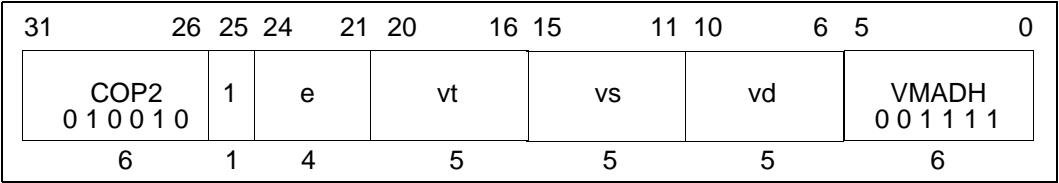
Exceptions:

None

VMADH

Vector Multiply-Accumulate
of High Partial Products

VMADH



Format:

```
vmadh vd, vs, vt
vmadh vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, shifted up by 16, and added to bits 31...0 of the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the high partial product, multiplying an integer (*vs*) times an integer (*vt*).

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC31...0 ← ACC31...0 + (product31...16 || 016)
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
  endfor

```

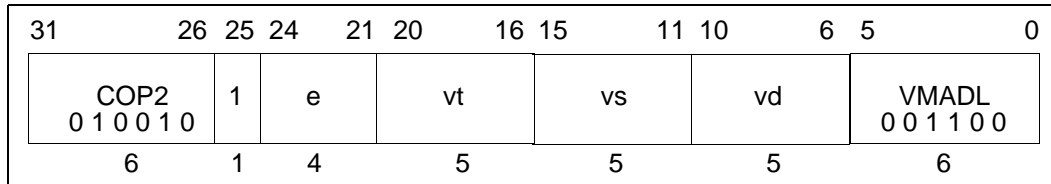
Exceptions:

None

VMADL

Vector Multiply-Accumulate of Low Partial Products

VMADL



Format:

```
vmadl vd, vs, vt
vmadl vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, shifted down by 16, and added to bits 31...0 of the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the low partial product, multiplying a fraction (*vs*) times a fraction (*vt*).

Bits 15...0 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```
T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC31...0 ← ACC31...0 + product31...16
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC15...0)
  endfor
```

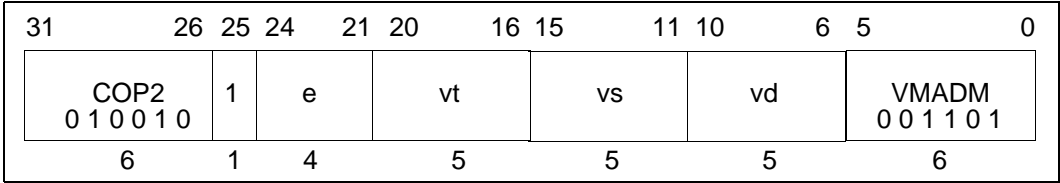
Exceptions:

None

VMADM

Vector Multiply-Accumulate
of Mid Partial Products

VMADM



Format:

```
vmadm vd, vs, vt
vmadm vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and added to bits 31...0 of the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the mid partial product, multiplying an integer (*vs*) times a fraction (*vt*).

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC31...0 ← ACC31...0 + product31...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
  endfor

```

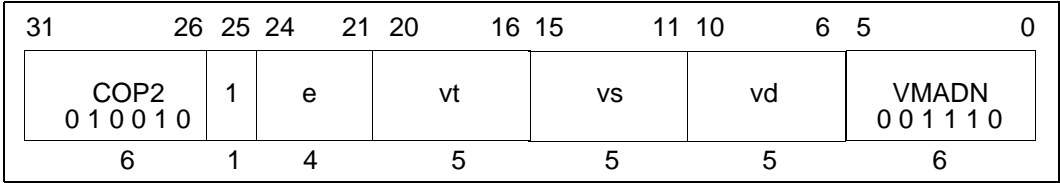
Exceptions:

None

VMADN

Vector Multiply-Accumulate
of Mid Partial Products

VMADN



Format:

```
vmadn vd, vs, vt
vmadn vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and added to bits 31...0 of the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the mid partial product, multiplying a fraction (*vs*) times an integer (*vt*).

Bits 15...0 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

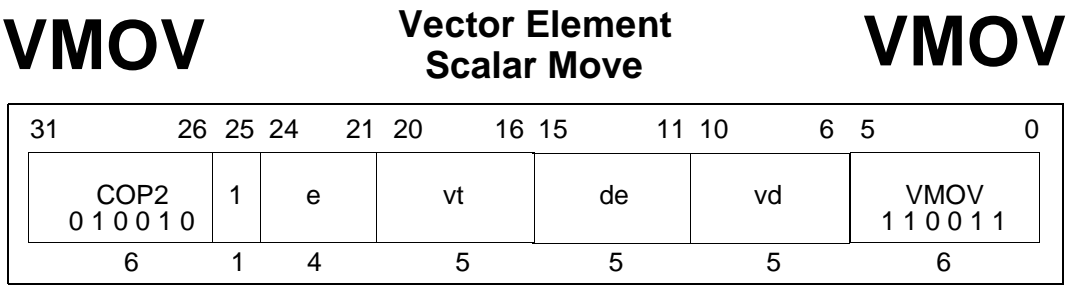
```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC31...0 ← ACC31...0 + product31...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC15...0)
  endfor

```

Exceptions:

None



Format:

```
vmov vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

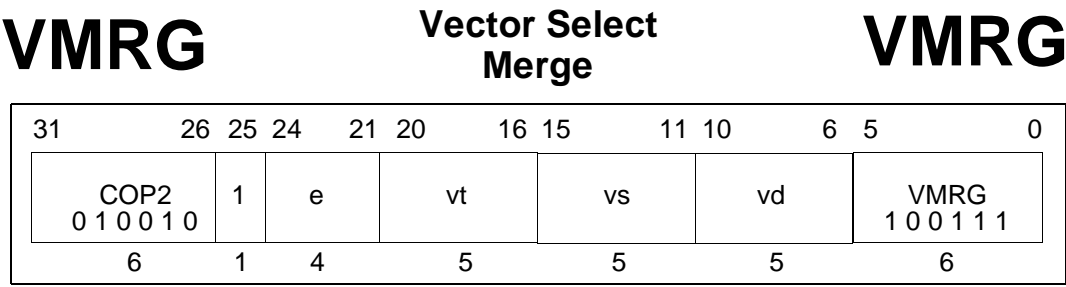
The scalar 16-bit element *e* of vector register *vt* is moved to the scalar 16-bit element *de* of vector register *vd*.

Operation:

```
T:
    VR[vd][de]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
    ACC15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
```

Exceptions:

None



Format:

```
vmrg vd, vs, vt
vmrg vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

This instruction selects, on an element by element basis, an element from *vs* or *vt*, based on the value of *VCC* for that element. The values of *VCC*, *VCO*, and *VCE* remain unchanged.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  if (VCCi) then
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  else
    result15...0 ← VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  endif
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
  ACC15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
```

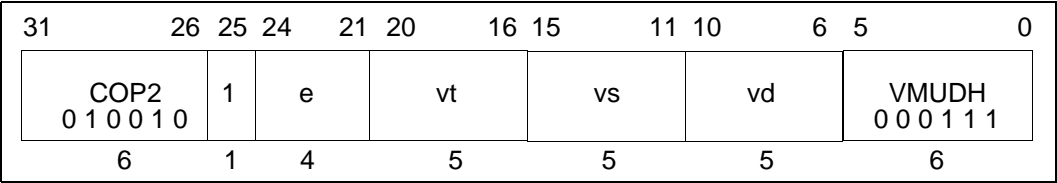
Exceptions:

None

VMUDH

Vector Multiply
of High Parital Products

VMUDH



Format:

vmudh vd, vs, vt
vmudh vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, shifted up by 16, and loaded into the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the high partial product, multiplying an integer (*vs*) times an integer (*vt*).

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC31...0 ← product31...16 || 016
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
endfor
```

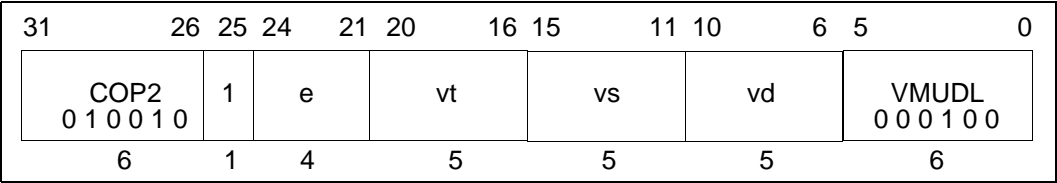
Exceptions:

None

VMUDL

Vector Multiply
of Low Parital Products

VMUDL



Format:

```
vmudl vd, vs, vt
vmudl vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, shifted down by 16, and loaded into the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the low partial product, multiplying a fraction (*vs*) times a fraction (*vt*). Bits 15...0 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC31...0 ← product3116 || product31...16
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC15...0)
endfor
```

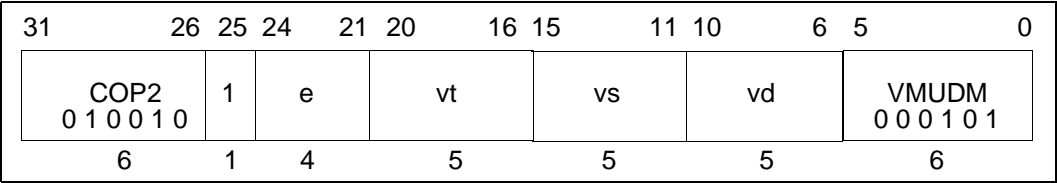
Exceptions:

None

VMUDM

Vector Multiply
of Mid Parital Products

VMUDM



Format:

vmudm vd, vs, vt
vmudm vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and loaded into the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the mid partial product, multiplying an integer (*vs*) times a fraction (*vt*).

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
        j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC31...0 ← product31...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
endfor
```

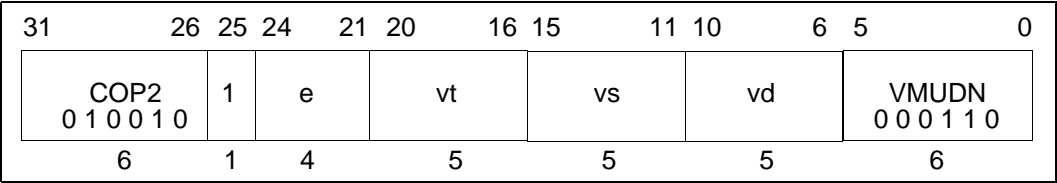
Exceptions:

None

VMUDN

Vector Multiply
of Mid Parital Products

VMUDN



Format:

vmudn vd, vs, vt
vmudn vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and loaded into the accumulator. This instruction is designed for the mid partial product, multiplying a fraction (*vs*) times an integer (*vt*).

Bits 15...0 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC31...0 ← product31...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC15...0)
endfor
```

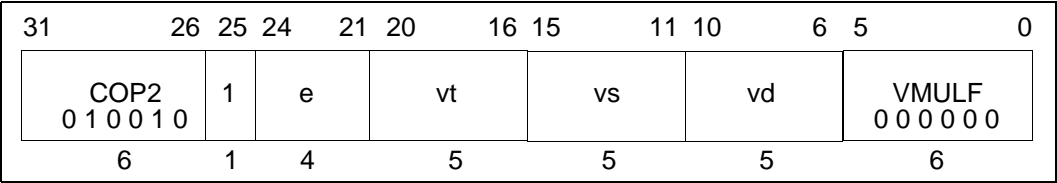
Exceptions:

None

VMULF

Vector Multiply
of Signed Fractions

VMULF



Format:

vmulf vd, vs, vt
vmulf vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and loaded into the accumulator.

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC47...16 ← product30...0 || 0
  ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + (1 || 015)
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
endfor
```

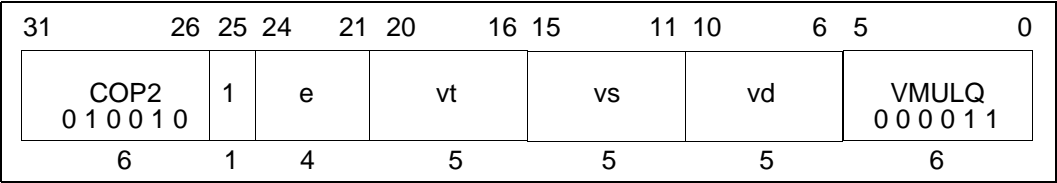
Exceptions:

None

VMULQ

Vector Multiply
MPEG Quantization

VMULQ



Format:

```
vmulq vd, vs, vt
vmulq vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and loaded into the accumulator.

This instruction is specifically designed to support MPEG inverse quantization. The accumulator is rounded if the product is negative, otherwise zero is added.

Bits 32...17 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit signed values and AND'd with 0xFFF0 (producing a result from -2048 to 2047 aligned to the short MSB), writing the results into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  if (product31...0 < 0) then
    ACC47...16 ← product15...0 + (010 || 1 || 05)
  else
    ACC47...16 ← product15...0
  endif
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← (Clamp_Signed(ACC32...17) and (112 || 04))
endfor
```

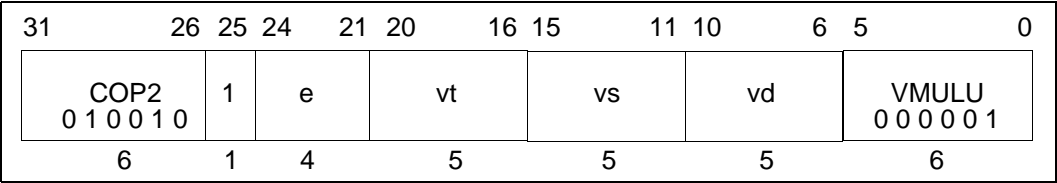
Exceptions:

None

VMULU

Vector Multiply
of Unsigned Fractions

VMULU



Format:

```
vmulu vd, vs, vt
vmulu vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are multiplied on an element-by-element basis to the elements of vector register *vs*, and loaded into the accumulator.

Bits 31...16 of the accumulator are clamped to 16 bit unsigned values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  product31...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 * VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC47...16 ← product30...0 || 0
  ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + (1 || 015)
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Unsigned(ACC31...16)
endfor
```

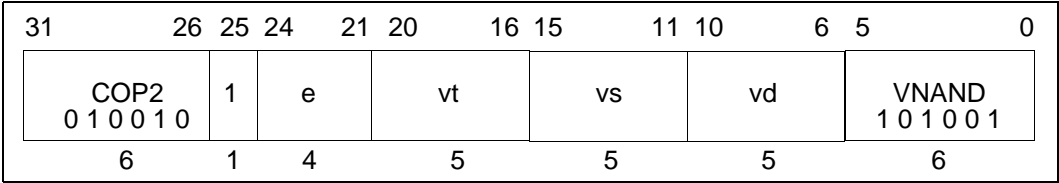
Exceptions:

None

VNAND

Vector NAND
of Short Elements

VNAND



Format:

```
vnand vd, vs, vt
vnand vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are NAND'd on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 nand VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
```

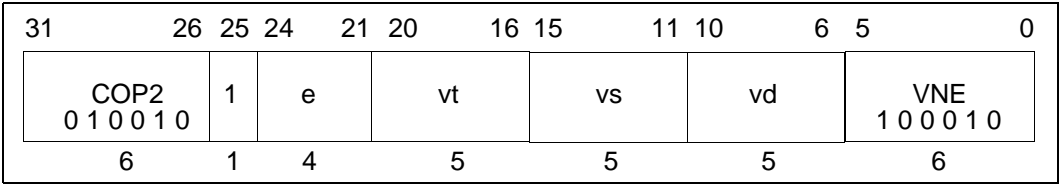
Exceptions:

None

VNE

Vector Select
Not Equal

VNE



Format:

```
vne vd, vs, vt
vne vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are compared and selected on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*. *VCO* and *VCE* are used as input, *VCO* and *VCE* are cleared on output, and *VCC* is set with the results of the comparison (the element which is not equal).

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
VCC ← 0
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  if (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 < VR[vt][j*2]15...0) then
    VCCi ← 1
  elseif (VR[vs][i*2]15...0 > VR[vt][j*2]15...0) then
    VCCi ← 1
  elseif ((VR[vs][i*2]15...0 = VR[vt][j*2]15...0) and ~VCEi) then
    VCCi ← 1
  else
    VCCi ← 0
  endif
  if (VCCi) then
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  else
    result15...0 ← VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  endif
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VCOi ← 0
  VCEi ← 0
endfor
```

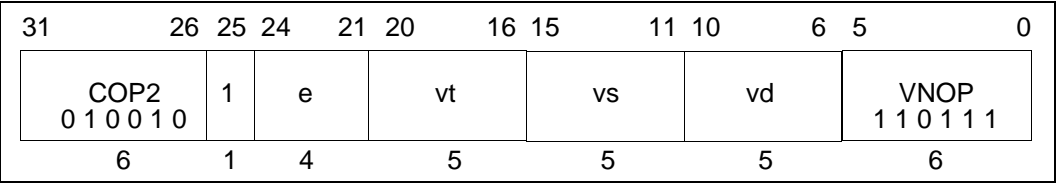
Exceptions:

None

VNOP

Vector
Null Instruction

VNOP



Format:

vnop

Description:

This instruction does nothing; it modifies no registers and changes no internal RSP state.

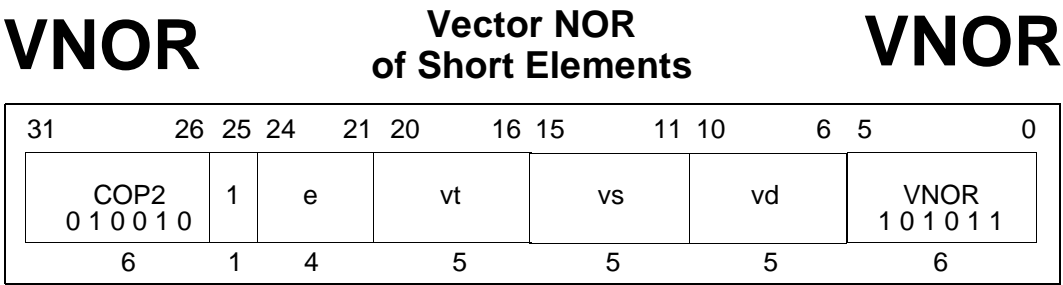
It is useful for program instruction padding or insertion into branch delay slots (when no useful work can be done).

The Operation:

T: nothing happens

Exceptions:

None



Format:

```
vnor vd, vs, vt
vnor vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are NOR'd on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 nor VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
```

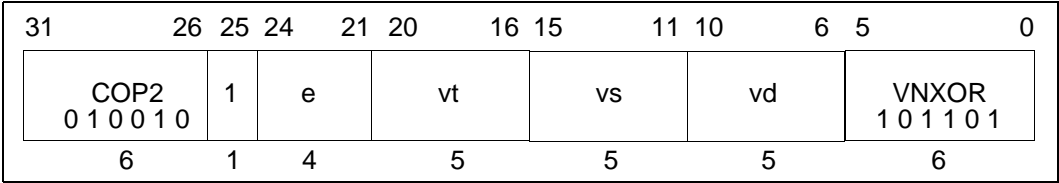
Exceptions:

None

VNXOR

Vector NXOR
of Short Elements

VNXOR



Format:

```
vnxor vd, vs, vt
vnxor vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are NXOR'd on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 nxor VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
```

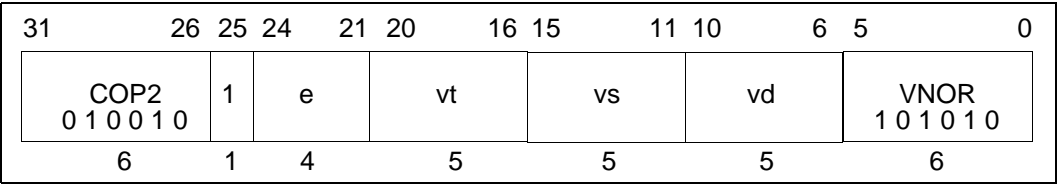
Exceptions:

None

VOR

Vector OR of Short Elements

VOR



Format:

```
vor vd, vs, vt
vor vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are OR'd on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

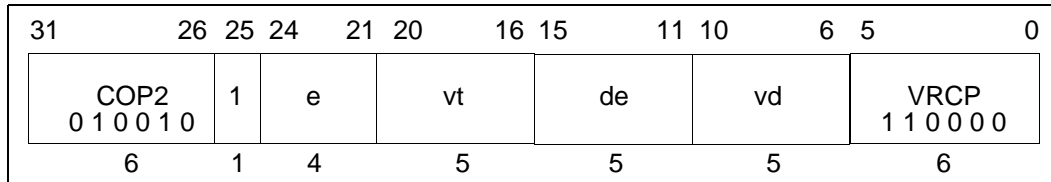
```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 or VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
```

Exceptions:

None

VRCP Vector Element Scalar VRCP

Reciprocal (Single Precision)



Format:

```
vrCP vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

The 32-bit reciprocal of the scalar 16-bit element *e* of vector register *vt* is calculated and the lower 16 bits are stored in the scalar 16-bit element *de* of vector register *vd*.

Operation:

```
T:
  if (VR[vt][e]15...0 < 0) then
    DivIn31...0 ← 016 || -VR[vt][e]15...0
  else
    DivIn31...0 ← 016 || VR[vt][e]15...0
  endif
  lshift ← 0
  i ← 0
  while (i < 32 and ~found)
    if (DivIni = 1)
      lshift ← 0
      found ← 1
    endif
    i ← i + 1
  endwhile
```

```

if (DivIn31...0 = 032) then
    lshift ← 16
endif

addr15...0 ← DivIn(31-lshift)...(31-lshift-9)
romData15...0 ← rcpRom[addr15...0]
result31...0 ← 0 || 1 || romData15...0 || 014
rshift ← ~lshift and 15
result31...0 ← 0rshift || result31...(32-rshift)

if (VR[vt][e]15...0 < 0) then
    result31...0 ← ~result31...0
endif

if (VR[vt][e]15...0 = 0) then
    result31...0 ← 0 || 131
DivOut31...0 ← result31...0    // internal register used by vrcph
for i in 0...7
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
endfor
VR[vd][de*2]15...0 ← DivOut15...0

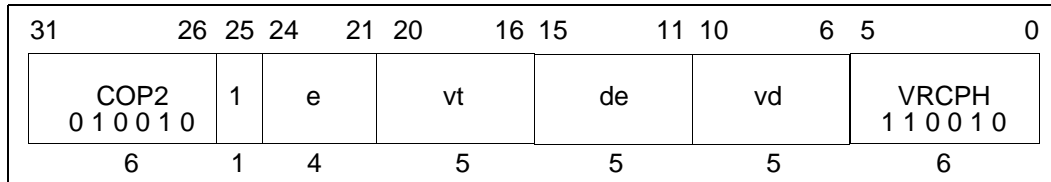
```

Exceptions:

None

VRCPH Vector Element Scalar VRCPH

Reciprocal (Double Prec. High)



Format:

```
vrcph vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

The upper 16 bits of the reciprocal previously calculated is stored in the scalar 16-bit element *de* of vector register *vd*. The 16-bit element *e* of vector register *vt* is loaded as the upper 16 bits for a pending double-precision reciprocal operation.

Operation:

T:

```

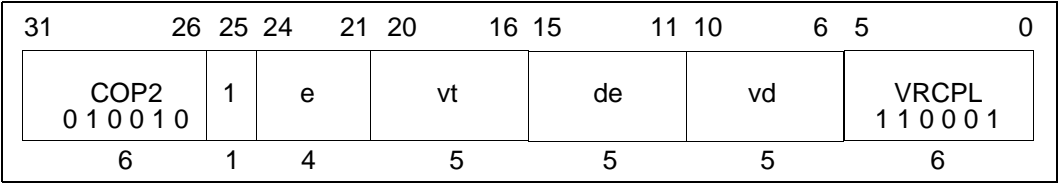
DivIn31...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0 || 016
for i in 0...7
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
endfor
VR[vd][de*2]15...0 ← DivOut31...16    // internal register set by vrcp/vrcpl

```

Exceptions:

None

VRCPL Vector Element Scalar Reciprocal (Double Prec. Low) VRCPL



Format:

```
vrcpl vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit element *e* of vector register *vt* is used as the lower 16 bits of a double-precision reciprocal calculation (combined with data previously loaded by *vrcph*). The 32-bit reciprocal is calculated and the lower 16-bits are stored in the scalar 16-bit element *de* of vector register *vd*.

Operation:

```
T:
  DivIn31...0 ← DivIn31...16 || VR[vt][e]15...0
  lshift ← 0
  i ← 0
  while (i < 32 and ~found)
    if (DivIni = 1)
      lshift ← 0
      found ← 1
    endif
    i ← i + 1
  endwhile
  if (DivIn31...0 = 032) then
    lshift ← 0
  endif
```

```

addr15...0 ← DivIn(31-lshift)...(31-lshift-9)
romData15...0 ← rcpRom[addr15...0]
result31...0 ← 0 || 1 || romData15...0 || 014
rshift ← ~lshift and 15
result31...0 ← 0rshift || result31...(32-rshift)
if (VR[vt][e]15...0 < 0) then
    result31...0 ← ~result31...0
endif
if (VR[vt][e]15...0 = 0) then
    result31...0 ← 0 || 131
DivOut31...0 ← result31...0    // internal register used by vrcph
for i in 0...7
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
endfor
VR[vd][de*2]15...0 ← DivOut15...0

```

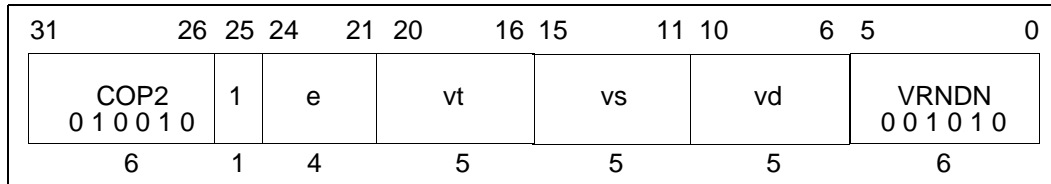
Exceptions:

None

VRNDN

Vector Accumulator DCT Rounding (Negative)

VRNDN



Format:

```
vrndn vd, vs, vt
vrndn vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

This instruction is specifically designed to support MPEG DCT rounding.

The vector register *vt* is shifted left 16 bits if the *vs* field is 1 (not the contents of *vs*, but the *vs* instruction field bits) and conditionally added to the accumulator. If the accumulator is negative, *vt* is added, otherwise zero is added.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    if (vs and 1) then
      product31...0 ← VR[vt][i*2]15...0 || 016
    else
      product31...0 ← VR[vt][i*2]1516 || VR[vt][i*2]15...0
    endif
    if (ACC47...0 < 0) then
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + (product3116 || product31...0)
    else
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + 048
    endif
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
  endfor

```

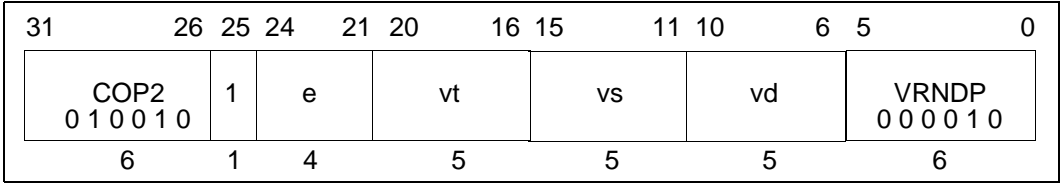
Exceptions:

None

VRNDP

Vector Accumulator
DCT Rounding (Positive)

VRNDP



Format:

```
vrndp vd, vs, vt
vrndp vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

This instruction is specifically designed to support MPEG DCT rounding.

The vector register *vt* is shifted left 16 bits if the *vs* field is 1 (not the contents of *vs*, but the *vs* instruction field bits) and conditionally added to the accumulator. If the accumulator is positive, *vt* is added, otherwise zero is added.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

```

T:
  for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
      j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
      j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    if (vs and 1) then
      product31...0 ← VR[vt][i*2]15...0 || 016
    else
      product31...0 ← VR[vt][i*2]1516 || VR[vt][i*2]15...0
    endif
    if (ACC47...0 >= 0) then
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + (product3116 || product31...0)
    else
      ACC47...0 ← ACC47...0 + 048
    endif
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(ACC31...16)
  endfor

```

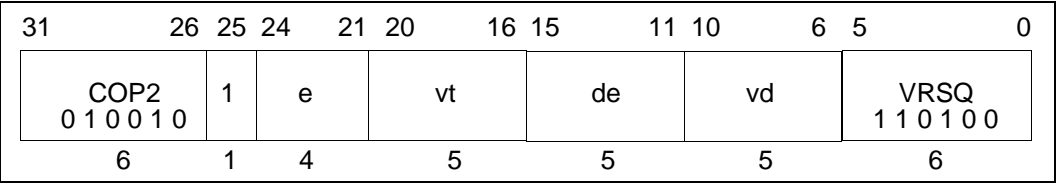
Exceptions:

None

VRSQ

Vector Element Scalar
 Sqrt Reciprocal

VRSQ



Format:

```
vrsq vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

The 32-bit reciprocal of the square root of the scalar 16-bit element *e* of vector register *vt* is calculated and the lower 16 bits are stored in the scalar 16-bit element *de* of vector register *vd*.

Operation:

```
T:
  if (VR[vt][e]15...0 < 0) then
    DivIn31...0 ← 016 || -VR[vt][e]15...0
  else
    DivIn31...0 ← 016 || VR[vt][e]15...0
  endif
  lshift ← 0
  i ← 0
  while (i < 32 and ~found)
    if (DivIni = 1)
      lshift ← 0
      found ← 1
    endif
    i ← i + 1
  endwhile
```

```

if (DivIn31...0 = 032) then
    lshift ← 16
endif

addr15...0 ← DivIn(31-lshift)...(31-lshift-9)
addr15...0 ← (addr15...0 or (06 || 1 || 09)) and (06 || 19 || 0) or (lshift mod 2)

romData15...0 ← rsqRom[addr15...0]
result31...0 ← 0 || 1 || romData15...0 || 014
rshift ← (~lshift and 15)/2
result31...0 ← 0rshift || result31...(32-rshift)

if (VR[vt][e]15...0 < 0) then
    result31...0 ← ~result31...0
endif

if (VR[vt][e]15...0 = 0) then
    result31...0 ← 0 || 131
endif

DivOut31...0 ← result31...0    // internal register used by vrsqh
for i in 0...7
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
endfor
VR[vd][de*2]15...0 ← DivOut15...0

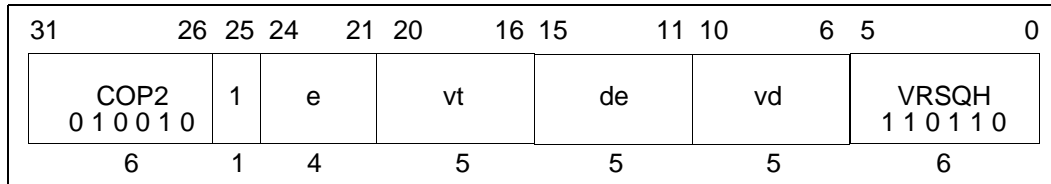
```

Exceptions:

None

VRSQH Vector Element Scalar SQRT VRSQH

Reciprocal (Double Prec. High)



Format:

```
vrsqh vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

The upper 16 bits of the reciprocal of the square root previously calculated is stored in the scalar 16-bit element *de* of vector register *vd*. The 16-bit element *e* of vector register *vt* is loaded as the upper 16 bits for a pending double-precision reciprocal of a square root operation.

Operation:

T:

```

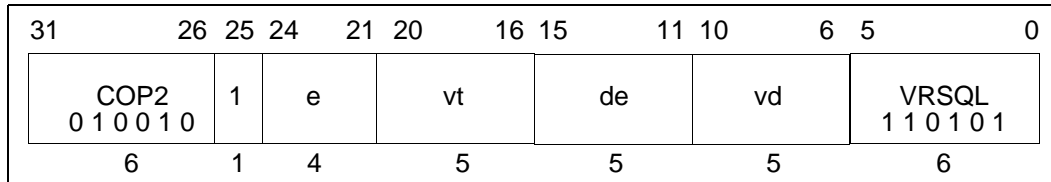
DivIn31...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0 || 016
for i in 0...7
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
endfor
VR[vd][de*2]15...0 ← DivOut31...16 // internal register set by vrsq
```

Exceptions:

None

VRSQ L Vector Element Scalar SQRT VRSQ L

Reciprocal (Double Prec. Low)



Format:

```
vrsq l vd[de], vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit element e of vector register vt is used as the lower 16 bits of a double-precision square root reciprocal calculation (combined with data previously loaded by `vrsq h`). The 32-bit square root reciprocal is calculated and the lower 16-bits are stored in the scalar 16-bit element de of vector register vd .

Operation:

```
T:
  DivIn31...0 ← DivIn31...16 || VR[vt][e]15...0
  lshift ← 0
  i ← 0
  while (i < 32 and ~found)
    if (DivIni = 1)
      lshift ← 0
      found ← 1
    endif
    i ← i + 1
  endwhile
  if (DivIn31...0 = 032) then
    lshift ← 0
  endif
```

```

addr15...0 ← DivIn(31-lshift)...(31-lshift-9)
addr15...0 ← (addr15...0 or (06 || 1 || 09)) and (06 || 19 || 0) or (lshift mod 2)

romData15...0 ← rsqRom[addr15...0]
result31...0 ← 0 || 1 || romData15...0 || 014
rshift ← (~lshift and 15)/2
result31...0 ← 0rshift || result31...(32-rshift)

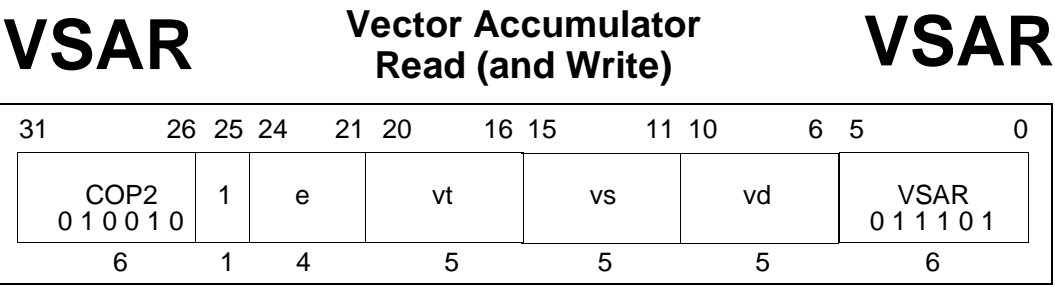
if (VR[vt][e]15...0 < 0) then
    result31...0 ← ~result31...0
endif

if (VR[vt][e]15...0 = 0) then
    result31...0 ← 0 || 131
DivOut31...0 ← result31...0    // internal register used by vrsqh
for i in 0...7
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vt][e]15...0
endfor
VR[vd][de*2]15...0 ← DivOut15...0

```

Exceptions:

None



Format:

vsar vd, vs, vt[e]

Description:

The upper, middle, or low 16-bit portion of the accumulator elements are selected by *e* and read out to the elements of *vd*.

The elements of *vs* are stored into the same portion of the accumulator.

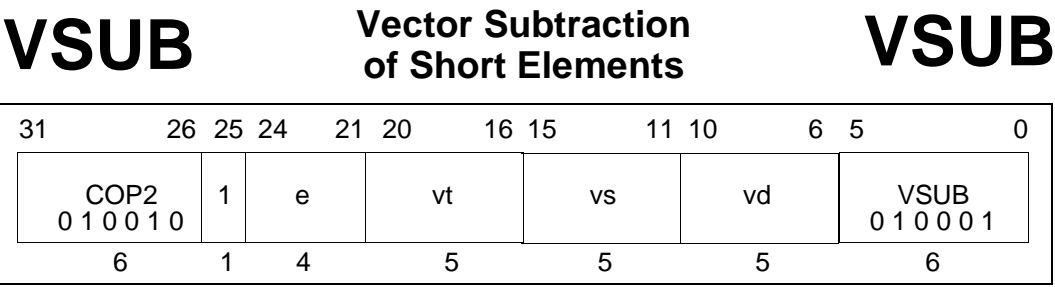
Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e = 0) then
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← ACC[i]47...32
    ACC[i]47...32 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  else if (e = 1) then
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← ACC[i]31...16
    ACC[i]31...16 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  else if (e = 2) then
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← ACC[i]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0
  endif
endfor
```

Exceptions:

None



Format:

```
vsub vd, vs, vt
vsub vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are subtracted on an element-by-element basis from the elements of vector register *vs*. The vector control register *VCO* is used as borrow in; and *VCO* is cleared.

The results are clamped to 16 bit signed values and placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
        j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 - VR[vt][j*2]15...0 - VCOi
    ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← Clamp_Signed(result15...0)
endfor
VCO15...0 ← 016
```

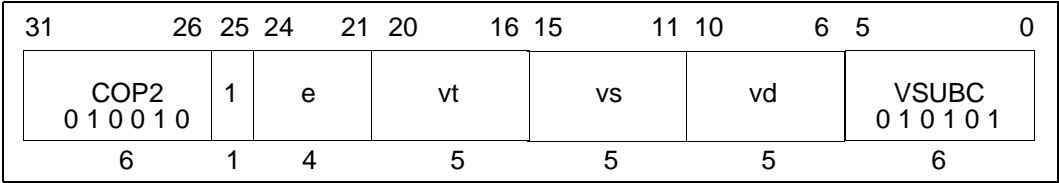
Exceptions:

None

VSUBC

Vector Subtraction of Short
Elements With Carry

VSUBC



Format:

`vsubc vd, vs, vt`
`vsubc vd, vs, vt[e]`

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are subtracted on an element-by-element basis from the elements of vector register *vs*. The vector control register *VCO* is used as borrow out. The results are not clamped.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

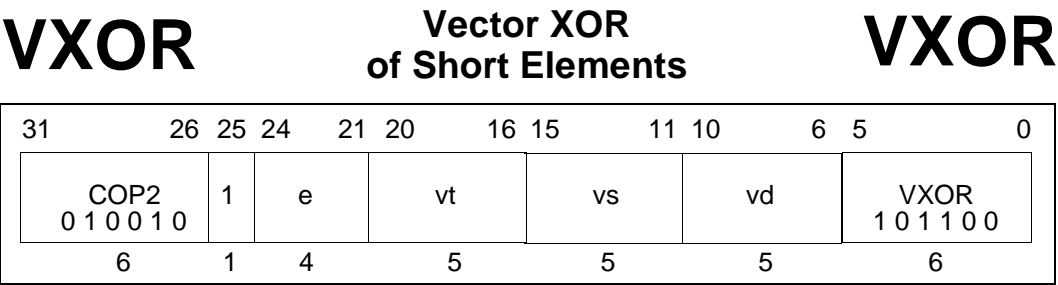
Operation:

T:

```
VCO15...0 ← 016
for i in 0...7
    if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
        j ← i
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
    elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
        j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
    endif
    result16...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 - VR[vt][j*2]15...0
    ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
    VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
    if (result16...0 < 0) then
        VCOi ← 1
        VCOi+8 ← 1
    else if (result16...0 > 0) then
        VCOi ← 0
        VCOi+8 ← 1
    else
        VCOi ← 0
        VCOi+8 ← 0
    endif
endfor
```

Exceptions:

None



Format:

```
vxor vd, vs, vt
vxor vd, vs, vt[e]
```

Description:

The 16-bit elements of vector register *vt* are XOR'd on an element-by-element basis with the elements of vector register *vs*.

The results are placed into vector register *vd*.

If an element specification *e* is present for vector register *vt*, the selected scalar element(s) of *vt* is used as described below.

Operation:

T:

```
for i in 0...7
  if (e3...0 = 0000) then /* vector operand */
    j ← i
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1110) = 0010) then /* scalar quarter of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0001) + (i & 1110)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1100) = 0100) then /* scalar half of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0011) + (i & 1100)
  elseif ((e3...0 & 1000) = 1000) then /* scalar whole of vector */
    j ← (e3...0 & 0111)
  endif
  result15...0 ← VR[vs][i*2]15...0 xor VR[vt][j*2]15...0
  ACC[i]15...0 ← result15...0
  VR[vd][i*2]15...0 ← result15...0
endfor
```

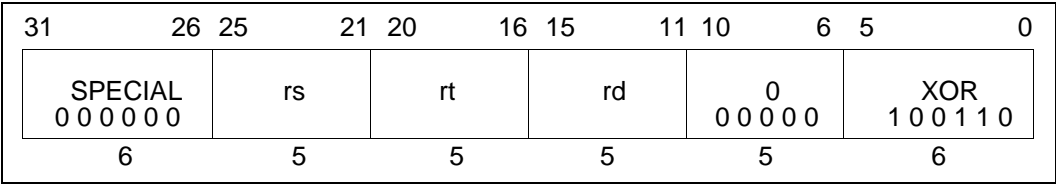
Exceptions:

None

XOR

Exclusive Or

XOR



Format:

```
xor rd, rs, rt
```

Description:

The contents of general register *rs* are combined with the contents of general register *rt* in a bit-wise logical exclusive OR operation.

The result is placed into general register *rd*.

Operation:

T: $\text{GPR}[\text{rd}] \leftarrow \text{GPR}[\text{rs}] \text{ xor } \text{GPR}[\text{rt}]$

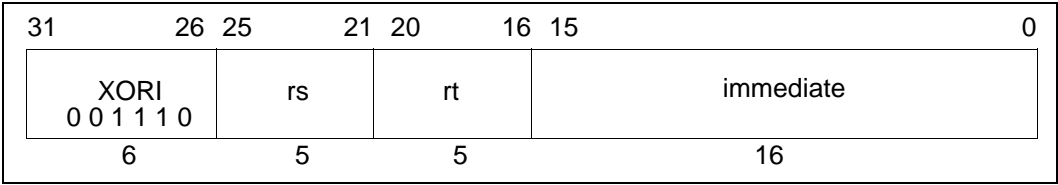
Exceptions:

None

XORI

Exclusive OR Immediate

XORI



Format:

xori rt, rs, immediate

Description:

The 16-bit *immediate* is zero-extended and combined with the contents of general register *rs* in a bit-wise logical exclusive OR operation.

The result is placed into general register *rt*.

Operation:

T: GPR[rt] ← GPR[rs] xor (0¹⁶ || immediate)

Exceptions:

None

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