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6: Flow Control

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Module 6: Program Control

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Review: Fetch - Execute Cycle

- The CPU operates in a two-phase fetch-execute mode.
 - In the first phase
 - the instruction is read from memory
 - The instruction copied into the instruction register, IR
 - The program counter is advanced to point to the next instruction
 - In the second phase
 - The instruction in IR is decoded
 - The instruction is executed
- 68000 has a variable instruction size (min 2 bytes, max 10 bytes).
 - The value in the program counter is increased by 2 in fetch phase
 - PC is increased by 0 to 8 in execute phase
- The order of instruction processing is sequential order (one by one).
- Sometimes, you want to execute instruction in a different order.
- This is done by putting a different address into the PC.



Flow Control

- Flow control Ability to choose an instruction other than the following instruction
- Idea: just modify PC like any other register

```
ADD.L #$30,PC ; doesn't really work
```

- If it worked, it would powerful (and dangerous!)
- Instead, we have special instructions with limited abilities to modify the PC.



Flow Control Instructions

Instruction	Description
BRA	BRA (branch always) implements an unconditional branch, relative to the PC. The offset is expressed as an 8- or 16-bit signed integer. If the destination is outside of a 16-bit signed integer, BRA cannot be used.
JMP	JMP (jump) is similar to BRA. The only difference is that BRA uses only relative addressing, whereas JMP has more addressing modes, inluding absolute address.
Всс	Bcc (branch on condition code) is used whenever program execution must follow one of two paths depending on a condition. The condition is specified by the mnemonic cc. The offset is expressed as an 8- or 16-bit signed integer. If the destination is outside of a 16-bit signed integer, Bcc cannot be used.
JSR BSR RTS	JSR and BSR branches to a subroutine. The PC is saved on the stack before loading the PC with the new value. RTS is used to return from the subroutine by restoring the PC from the stack.

СС	Condition	Branch Taken If
CC	Carry clear	C = 0
CS	Carry set	C = 1
NE	Not equal	Z = 0
EQ	Equal	Z = 1
PL	Plus	N = 0
MI	Minus	N = 1
VC	Overflow clear	V = 0
VS	Overflow set	V = 1
GE	Greater or equal	N'V + NV' = 0
GT	Greater than	NVZ + (NVZ)' = 1
LE	Less or equal	Z+(N'V+NV')=1
LT	Less than	N'V + NV' = 1
HS	Higher or same	C = 0
LO	Lower	C = 1
HI	Higher	C'Z' = 1
LS	Lower or same	C + Z=1



BRA Instruction

- The BRA (for branch) instruction allows us to modify the PC by essentially adding to it or subtracting from it.
- A silly little example:

```
      00001000
      1
      ORG
      $1000

      00001000
      5280
      2 START
      ADDQ.L
      #1, D0

      00001002
      60FC
      3
      BRA
      START

      00001004
      4
      END
```

- What does this code do? It infinitely loops, continually adding 1 to D0. Not very useful, but very simple.
- The machine language for BRA contains the offset \$FC which says we want to subtract 4 from the PC, or add -4 (the reason it's 4 rather than 2 is that the PC starts at PC + 2):



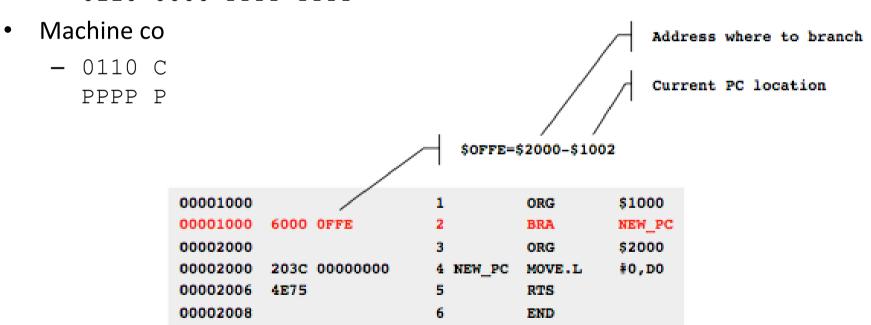
Branch Offset

- Relative address is the address difference from current instruction to the instruction it branches to.
- Two versions:
 - short branch 8 bit displacement d₈
 - long branch 16 bit displacement d₁₆
- d₈ or d₁₆ is in 2's complement.
 - d₈ allows branching from -128 to 126
 - d₁₆ allows branching from -32768 to 32766
- Displacements are computed by assembler.
 - Dependent on the size of the jump
 - For forward references, assembler normally choose long branches.
 - Short branches can be forced by using BRA.S mnemonic



A Long Branch

- When the branch target cannot be reached using an 8-bit displacement, the long format is used.
- Machine code of short branch:
 - 0110 0000 PPPP PPPP





JMP Instruction

- The JMP (for jump) instruction allows us to modify the PC in more powerful ways.
- JMP allows you to set the PC to the value of an address register and also to set it directly to a constant value.
- As an example, let's say that we wanted to jump to the location stored in AO. We can do that with:

4ED0 JMP (A0)

- JMP loads the effective address of its operand into the PC.
- Let's look at the machine code:

• Bits 5:0 = 010 000 means address register indirect. Fairly straightforward. Note that address register indirect with displacement (and index) also work.



JMP Instruction

Let's also assemble an example with absolute addressing.

- Bits 5:0 = 111 000 means absolute short or (xxx). W. Again, pretty simple.
- The assembler gave absolute short because I've specified an address that was only 16 bits.
- Using absolute long or (xxx). L works fine too.



Why Conditional Instructions?

- While it is useful to be able to jump around in your code using BRA and JMP, they certainly don't solve all problems.
- In order to write any real program, you need to be able to branch conditionally based on the current state of the program.
- The "conditions" are stored in the Conditions Codes Register (CCR), so we will review it.
- Conditional Branch instructions examine bits in CCR and chose between two courses of action.
- CCR bits are either:
 - Updated after certain instruction have been executed, or
 - Explicitly updated (bit test, compare, or test instructions)



Review of CCR

- System Byte
 - Only modifiable is supervisor mode
 - Details in later modules
- User Byte: CCR
 - For user-level programs
 - Behavior depends on instruction

16-bit status register

Syste	Systems information			CCR			
7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
			Χ	N	Z	V	C

Bit	Meaning			
С	Set if a carry or borrow is generated. Cleared otherwise.			
V	Set if a signed overflow occurs. Cleared otherwise.			
Z	Set if the result is zero. Cleared otherwise.			
N	Set if the result is negative. Cleared otherwise.			
X	Retains the carry bit for multi- precision arithmetic			



Instructions That Modify CCR

- We have seen that most arithmetic/logic instructions modify CCR to report on the results of the ALU operation.
- Examples of how other instructions affect the condition codes.
 - MOVE: N/Z get set based on the result of the MOVE; V/C are always 0.
 - CLR: N/V/C always 0; Z always 1.
 - MOVEA: No affect on condition codes.
- One interesting instruction to look at is CMP.
 - CMP sets condition codes just like SUB, except that it doesn't actually store
 the result of the subtraction. Having the condition codes set allows us to
 compare the relative sizes of the two operands. As we will see in just a
 second when we look at BCC, this is quite useful for conditional branching.
- Other instructions related to CMP are TST and BTST (later...)



Compare Instructions

- All compare instructions subtract the source operand, usually the contents of one register (or memory location) from the contents of the destination operand, usually another register (or memory location) in order to set the CCR (except the X-bit). The results of the subtraction are discarded.
- CMP or another compare instruction is usually followed immediately by a conditional branch (e.g., BEQ branch on zero, BNE branch on zero, BGT branch if greater than, BLT branch if less than, etc).

Instruction	Source Operand	Destination Operand		
CMP	Any	Must be data register		
CMPA	Any	Must be address register		
CMPI An immediate value		Any except address register		
СМРМ	Autoincrement	Autoincrement		



Conditional Branch Instructions

- Identified by the mnemonic B_{cc} where "cc" represents the condition to be checked.
- General form:

```
B<sub>cc</sub> Address_Label
```

- If the condition is true, then control will branch to "Address_Label".
- No effect on condition codes



Conditional Branch on Single Flags

Mnemonic	Instruction	Flags
BCC	Branch on carry clear, branch on higher or same	C = 0
BCS	Branch on carry set, branch on lower	C = 1
BVC	Branch on overflow clear	V = 0
BVS	Branch on overflow set	V = 1
BNE	Branch on not equal	Z = 0
BEQ	Branch on equal	Z = 1
BPL	Branch on plus	N = 0
ВМІ	Branch on minus	N = 1



Understanding Branch Instructions

- The mnemonics for the branch instructions assume that you are following a SUB or a CMP instruction:
 - BEQ (branch when equal) will be taken when Z=1

```
CMP D0,D1; when does Z=1?

BEQ SKIP; when D3 and D4 are equal!

(something)

SKIP (something)
```

- You can also think of B_{cc} as comparing the *result* of the last operation to zero:
 - BNE (branch when not equal) will be taken when Z=0

```
MOVE #5,D0 MOVE #1,D1 LOOP ADD D1,D1 SUB #1,D0 ; when does Z=0? BNE LOOP ; as long as D0 is not zero
```

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Conditional Branches after Signed Arithmetic

Mnemonic	Instruction	Branch Taken If	
BGE	Branch on greater or equal	(N = 1 and V = 1) or (N = 0 and V = 0)	
BGT	Branch on greater than	(N = 1 and V = 1 and Z = 0) or (N = 0 and V = 0 and Z = 0)	
BLE	Branch on less or equal	Z = 1 or $(N = 1 and V = 0)$ or $(N = 0 and V = 1)$	
BLT	Branch on less than	(N = 1 and V = 0) or (N = 0 and V = 1)	

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Conditional Branches after Unsigned Arithmetic

Mnemonic	Instruction	Branch Taken If
BHS Branch on higher or same		C = 0
BLO	Branch on lower	C = 1
ВНІ	Branch on higher	C = 0 and Z = 0
BLS	Branch on lower or same	C = 1 and Z = 1



Structured Programming

- We can use B_{cc} to emulate the more structured flow control techniques present in languages like C
 - if-then
 - if-then-else
 - while
 - do-while
 - -for



if-then

• Probably the simplest example is if. An example should suffice, as this is a straightforward concept:

```
if (n == 1) {
    m = 3;
}
```

```
CMP #1,N
BNE NotEq
MOVE #3,M
@NotEq ...
```

- The most efficient way to code this is to skip the code block {...} if the condition is not true
- Remember: test for the opposite of the if condition



if-then-else

• The if-then-else construct has an alternative statement that is executed when the condition is false.

```
if (n == 1) {
    m = 3;
} else {
    m = 2;
}
```

```
CMP #1,N
BNE NotEq
MOVE #3,M
BRA Done
NotEq MOVE.L #2, M
Done
```

• If the test in the if statement is more complex, a few more instruction might be needed.



while

"while" isn't a whole lot more difficult than "if".

```
while (m > n) {
    n++;
}
...
```

```
MOVE M,D0
CMP N,D0
BLE Exit

BRA Top
```

- One interesting note here: we did need to move M into D0. CMP can't compare two memory locations directly.
- This is an example of a "pre-test" loop. The condition is tested before going into loop.

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do-while

• "do while" is a looping structure that doesn't compute the test before entering the loop. It runs the loop once and then computes the test.

```
do {
    n++;
} while (m > n);
...
```

```
MOVE M,D0

CMP N,D0

BGT Top
```

Notice that the code produced by the "do while" is shorter (and faster) than the
"while" loop. However, you don't get something for nothing. Often times, you
really do want to do the test at the beginning of the loop.



for

• Just to finish up all the looping structures present in C, we might as well show the "for" loop, although it's really nothing new:

```
n = 0;
for (m = 1; m <= 10; m++) {
    n += m;
}</pre>
```

```
CIR
                Ν
        MOVE
                #1,M
        CMP
                #10,M
Top
                Exit
         BGT
        MOVE
                M,D0
        ADD
                DO, N
        ADD
                #1,M
         BRA
                Top
Exit
```



Fixed loops

• If all you want is to repeat a loop 5 times (or any fixed count), don't use the "for" loop. In assembly it's more efficient to use a down counter.

```
CLR
                                            CLR
                                                    #4,M
                                  Top
                                                    Exit
                                            BGE
                                            MOVE
                                                    M,D0
                                            ADD
                                                    N,00
                                                                        CLR
                                                                                N
                                            ADD
                                                    #1,M
                                                                        MOVE
                                                                                #5,D1
                                            BRA
                                                    Top
n = 0:
                                                                                M,D0
                                                              Top
                                                                        MOVE
                                  Exit
for (m = 0; m \le 4; m++) {
                                            . . .
                                                                                DO, N
                                                                        ADD
    n += m;
                                                                                #1,M
                                                                        SUB
                                                                        BNE
                                                                                Top
. . .
                                                              Exit
```

Tip: make sure you count down to 0, and use a register for the counter!



Ex 1: Character Translation

ASCII Code

	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
0000	NUL	DLC	SP	0	<u>@</u>	P	•	p
0001	SOH	DC1	!	1	Ā	Q	a	$\bar{\mathbf{q}}$
0010	STX	DC2	11	2	В	R	b	r
0011	ETX	DC3	#	3	C	S	c	S
0100	EOT	DC4	\$	4	D	T	d	t
0101	ENQ	NAK	%	5	E	U	e	u
0110	ACK	SYN	&	6	\mathbf{F}	V	\mathbf{f}	\mathbf{v}
0111	BEL	ETB	•	7	G	\mathbf{W}	g	\mathbf{w}
1000	BS	CAN	(8	H	X	h	X
1001	HT	$\mathbf{E}\mathbf{M}$)	9	I	Y	i	y
1010	LF	SUB	*	•	J	Z	j	Z
1011	VT	ESC	+	•	K	[k	{
1100	FF	FS	,	<	L	\	1	
1101	CR	GS	-	=	M]	m	}
1110	SO	RS	•	>	N	٨	n	~
1111	SI	US	/	?	O	_	0	DEL

- How is a hex digit printed as a character?
- Algorithm:

```
Char_Code = Hex_Val + 0x30;
if (Char_Code > 0x39) {
   Char_Code = Char_Code + 7
}
```

Try verifying for '7' and 'E'



Convert a Hex. to ASCII

```
MOVE.B Hex_Val,D0

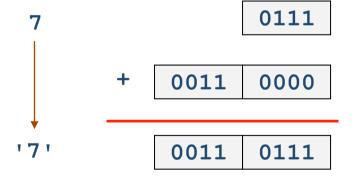
ADDI.B #$30,D0

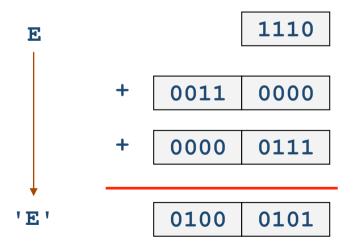
CMPI.B #$39,D0

BLS.S EXIT

ADDQ.B #$07,D0

EXIT MOVE.B D0,Char_Code
```







Ex 2: Sum Using A Loop

Perform the sum 1 + 2 + 3 + ... + 10 by using a loop, i.e.

```
total = 0;
for (counter = 1; counter <= 10; counter++)
   total = total + counter;</pre>
```

```
$1000
       ORG
               D1
                             Set the total initially to 0
                             Initialize the counter to 1
       MOVE.B
              #1,D0
Next
       ADD.B
              D0,D1
                             Add the counter to the total
       ADD.B #1,D0
                             Increment the counter
       CMP.B
              #11,D0
                             Check if loop is done
              Next
                             Go back for another round if not done
              #$2700
                             Stop execution
       STOP
               $1000
       END
```



Ex 3a: Bit Counting

This version of the program uses bit operations

```
* DO contains the byte of data whose bits we want to count
* D1 contains a bit counter which will range from 0 to 8
* D2 contains a loop counter which counts down from 8 to 0
                $1000
        ORG
                         Get the data
       MOVE.B DATA, DO
       CLR
               D1
                         Clear bit counter
              #7,D2
                         Set loop counter to 7
       MOVE
       BTST
               D2,D0
                         Test the bit specified by D1
Next
               Zero
                         If the bit is 0, skip
       BEO
               #1,D1
       ADD
                         Else, increment bit counter
Zero
       SUB.B
               #1,D2
                         Decrement loop counter
               Next
                         Check another bit
       BCC
               D1,BITCT Save bit count
       MOVE.B
               #$2700
        STOP
       DC.B
DATA
                %10101111
BITCT
       DS.B
                $1000
       END
```



Ex 3b: Bit Counting

This version of the program uses rotate operations

```
* DO contains the byte of data whose bits we want to count
* D1 contains a bit counter which will range from 0 to 8
               $1000
       ORG
       MOVE.B DATA, DO
                         Get the data
               D1
                         Clear bit counter
       CLR
       LSL.B
              #1,D0 Shift whole byte left
Next
               #0,D1
                         Add carry to bit counter
       ADC
                         If data is zero, we're done
               D0
       TST.B
       BNE
               Next.
                         Check another bit
       MOVE.B D1,BITCT Save bit count
               #$2700
       STOP
       DC.B
              %10101111
DATA
       DS.B
BITCT
               $1000
       END
```



Ex 3b: Bit Counting

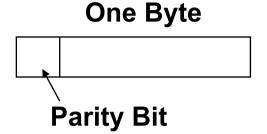
This version of the program uses rotate operations

```
* DO contains the byte of data whose bits we want to count
* D1 contains a bit counter which will range from 0 to 8
               $1000
       ORG
       MOVE.B DATA, DO
                        Get the data
               D1
                        Clear bit counter
       CLR
              #1,D0 Shift whole byte left
       LSL.B
Next.
               #0,D1
                        Add carry to bit counter
       ADC
                        If data is zero, we're done
               D0
       TST.B
       BNE
               Next.
                        Check another bit
       MOVE.B D1,BITCT Save bit count
               #$2700
       STOP
       DC.B
              %10101111
DATA
       DS.B
BITCT
               $1000
       END
```



Ex 4: Setting Parity Bit of A Byte

 This version of the program uses bit operations



```
* DO contains the byte of data whose parity bit is to be set
* D1 contains a counter which will range from 6 to 0
        ORG
                 $1000
                 #6,D1
        MOVE
                          Set the counter to 6
        BCLR
                 #7,D0
                          Clear the parity bit to start
                 D1,D0
                          Test the bit specified by D1
Next
        BTST
        BEQ
                          If the bit is 1 then toggle parity bit
                 Zero
        BCHG
                 #7,D0
                          toggle the parity bit
                 #1,D1
Zero
        SUB.B
                          Decrement the counter
                 Next
        BCC
                          Check another bit
                 #$2700
        STOP
                 $1000
        END
```



Ex 4a: Another Way to Calculate the Even Parity Bit

• If the byte is P0110100, then P=1 to make the number of bit 1 in D0 even.

```
CLR.B
               D1
       ANDI.B #%01111111,D0
               #7,D2
       MOVE.B
               #1,D0
                      ; [C] <- LSB of D0
Next
       ROR.B
       BCC
               Zero
       ADDQ.B #1,D1
       SUB.B
               #1,D2
Zero
               Next
       BNE
               #1,D0
       ROR.B
               #1,D1
       LSR.B
                          :Move LSB of D1 to C
               Exit
       BCC
               #%1000000,D0
       ORI.B
Exit
        . . .
```



Ex 5: Greatest Common Divisor

- Greatest Common Divisor (GCD) is the biggest number that can divide both inputs.
- Example: The GCD of 15 and 24 is 3 because both numbers can be divided evenly by 3.
- Many ways to compute but the one shown is Euclid's algorithm.

```
/* m >= n > 0 */
while( m > 0 )
  if( n > m ) {
    t = m; m = n; n = t;
  } /* swap */
  m -= n;
}
return n;
```

START	ORG	\$1000
	MOVE	M,D0
	MOVE	N,D1
LOOP	TST	D0
	BEQ	DONE
	CMP	D1,D0
	BGT	SKIP
	EXG	D0,D1
SKIP	SUB	D1,D0
	BRA	LOOP
DONE	MOVE	D1,GCD
	STOP	#\$2700
M	DC.W	24
N	DC.W	15
GCD	DS.W	1
	END	START



Ex 6: Leap Year Calculation

• Rules:

- Years divisible by four are leap years, unless...
- Years also divisible by 100 are not leap years, except...
- Years divisible by 400 are leap years.

In-class Exercise...

```
if (year mod 4 != 0)
   {use 28 for days in February}
else if (year mod 400 == 0)
   {use 29 for days in February}
else if (year mod 100 == 0)
   {use 28 for days in February}
else
   {use 29 for days in February}
```



Pitfalls

• Example:

```
MOVE.B #$C0,D0
CMP.B #25,D0
BGE NEXT
```

MOVE.B #\$C0,D0 CMP.B #25,D0 BHS NEXT

- Will the branch be taken?
- Example:

– Will the branch be taken?



Advanced Uses of JMP

JMP can use many addressing modes.

```
CASE Test of

CASE 1: Action1

CASE 2: Action2

CASE 3: Action3

END:
```

```
IF TEST=0 THEN

Action1

ELSE IF TEST=1 THEN

Action2

ELSE IF TEST=2 THEN

Action3
```

```
CLR . L
                D<sub>0</sub>
                JMPTAB, A0
        LEA
        MOVE.B TEST, DO
        ASL.L #2,D0
                               [D0] <- [D0]*4
        MOVEA.L (A0,D0),A0
                (A0)
        JMP
JMPTAB DC.L
               Action1
        DC.L
               Action2
                Action3
        DC.L
Action1 ...
                Code1
Action2 ...
               Code2
Action3 ...
               Code3
```



Advanced Uses of JMP

1 2 3 4			* * Program Switch.x68 *		
5	00004000			ORG	\$4000
6	00004000	00004018	TAB	DC.L	ACT1
7	00004004	00004020		DC.L	ACT2
8					
9	00004008	4280		CLR.L	D0
10	0000400A	41F84 000		LEA	TAB,A0
11	0000400E	20700000		MOVEA.L	(A0,D0),A0
12	00004012	4ED0		JMP	(A0)
13	00004014	4E722700	EXIT	STOP	#\$2700
14					
15	00004018	223C00008888	ACT1	MOVE.L	#\$8888,D1
16	0000401E	60 F4		BRA	EXIT
17	00004020	223C00001111	ACT2	MOVE.L	#\$1111,D1
18	00004026	60EC		BRA	EXIT
19					
20		00004000		END	\$4000