C Arithmetic operators



The above are *C* operators that we would like to implement in PIC24 assembly language. Multiplication and division will be covered in a later lecture.

Bit-wise Logical operations

Bitwise AND operation

AND.{B}	Wb,Ws,Wd	(Wb)&(Ws)→Wd	j = k & i;
AND.{B}	f	$(f)\&(WREG) \rightarrow f$	j = j & k;
AND.{B}	f, WREG	$(f)\&(WREG) \rightarrow WREG$	j = j & k;
AND.{B}	#lit10,Wn	lit10 & (Wn) \rightarrow Wn	j = j & literal;

Bitwise Inclusive OR operation

IOR. $\{B\}$	Wb,Ws,Wd	$(Wb) \mid (Ws) \rightarrow Wd$	$\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{k} \mid \mathbf{i};$
IOR.{B}	f	$(f) \mid (WREG) \rightarrow f$	$\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{j} \mid \mathbf{k};$
IOR.{B}	f, WREG	(f) (WREG) \rightarrow WREG	j = j k;
IOR.{B}	#lit10,Wn	$lit10 (Wn) \rightarrow Wn$	j = j literal;

Bit-wise Logical operations (cont.)

Bitwise XOR operation

$XOR.\{B\}$	Wb,Ws,Wd	$(Wb) \land (Ws) \rightarrow Wd$	j = k ^ i;
$XOR.\{B\}$	f	(f) ^ (WREG) \rightarrow f	$j = j^k;$
$XOR.\{B\}$	f, WREG	(f) \land (WREG) \rightarrow WREG	$j = j \wedge k;$
$XOR.\{B\}$	#lit10,Wn	$lit10 \wedge (Wn) \rightarrow Wn$	$j = j^{h}$ literal;

Bitwise complement operation

COM.{B}	Ws,Wd	~ (Ws)→Wd	j = ~k;
COM.{B}	f	\sim (f) \rightarrow f	j = ~j;
COM.{B}	f, WREG	\sim (f) \rightarrow WREG	j = ~k;

Bit-wise Logical operations (cont.)

Clear ALL bits:

$CLR.\{B\}$	f	$0 \rightarrow f$	j=0;
$CLR.\{B\}$	WREG	$0 \rightarrow WREG$	j=0;
$CLR.\{B\}$	Wd	$0 \rightarrow Wd$	j=0;

Set ALL Bits:

SETM.{B}	f 1111	.111 →f
SETM.{B}	WREG	$1111111 \rightarrow WREG$
SETM.B}	Wd	$1111111 \rightarrow Wd$

Clearing a group of bits	Data Memory Location contents		
Clear upper four bits of i . In <i>C</i> :	 (i) 0x0800 0x2C (j) 0x0801 0xB2 (k) 0x0802 0x8A 		
uint8 i; $i = i \& 0x0F$ \leftarrow The 'mask' In PIC24 µC assembly	i = 0x2C = 0010 1100 &&&& & mask= 0x0F = 0000 1111		
mov.b $\#0x0F$, W0; W0 = maskand.bi; i = i & 0x0f	result = 0000 1100 = 0x0C		

AND: mask bit = '1', result bit is same as operand. mask bit = '0', result bit is cleared

Setting a group of	Data Memory			
bits	Locatio	n (contents	
	(i) 0x0	0800	0x2C	
Set bits b3:b1 of j	(j) 0x(0801	0xB2	
In <i>C</i> :	(k) 0x(0802	0x8A	
uint8 j; $j = j OxOE; \leftarrow The 'mask'$	j= 0x	B2 =	= 1011 0 	010
In PIC24 μ C assembly	mask= 0x	0E =	• 0000 1	110
mov.b#0x0E, W0; W0 = maskior.bj; $j = j 0x0E$	resu	lt = =	= 1011 1 = 0xBE	110

OR: mask bit = '0', result bit is same as operand. mask bit = '1', result bit is set



XOR: mask bit = '0', result bit is same as operand. mask bit = '1', result bit is complemented

Complementing all bits

Complement all bits of k

In C:

uint8 k; $k = \sim k;$

In PIC24 μ C assembly

com.b k ; k = -k





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Bit set, Bit Clear, Bit Toggle instructions

Can set/clear/complement **one** bit of a data memory location by using the AND/OR/XOR operations, but takes multiple instructions as previously seen.

The bit clear (**bcf**), bit set (**bsf**), bit toggle (**btg**) instructions clear/set/complement one bit of data memory or working registers using one instruction.

Name	Mnemonic	Operation
Bit Set	<pre>bset{.b} Ws, #bit4 Ws indirect modes</pre>	1 \rightarrow Ws <bit4></bit4>
	<pre>bset{.b} f, #bit4</pre>	1 \rightarrow f <bit4></bit4>
Bit Clear	<pre>bclr{.b} Ws, #bit4 Ws indirect modes</pre>	$0 \rightarrow Ws < bit 4 >$
	bclr{.b} f, #bit4	$0 \rightarrow f < bit 4 >$
Bit Toggle	<pre>btg{.b} Ws, #bit4 Ws indirect modes</pre>	~Ws <bit4> \rightarrow Ws<bit4></bit4></bit4>
	btg{.b} <i>f, #bit4</i>	~f <bit4> \rightarrow f<bit4></bit4></bit4>



status Register

The *STATUS* register is a special purpose register (like the Wn registers).



We will not discuss the DC flag; it is used in Binary Coded Decimal arithmetic.

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Carry, Zero Flags

Bit 0 of the status register is known as the carry (C) flag.

Bit 1 of the status register is known as the zero (Z) flag.

These flags are set as **side-effects** of particular instructions or can be set/cleared explicitly using the *bset/bclr* instructions.

How do you know if an instruction affects C, Z flags?

Look at Table 19-2 in PIC24HJ32GP202 μ C datasheeet.– *add* affects all ALU flags, *mov f* only Z, N flags, and *mov f*, *Wn* no flags.

Mnemonic	Syntax.	Desc	# of	Instr	Status
			words	Cycles	affected
ADD	ADD f	f=f+WRI	EG 1	1	C,DC,Z,OV,N
MOV	MOV f,Wn	Wn=(f)	1	1	none
MOV	MOV f	f = (f)) 1	1	N,Z

Addition: Carry, Zero Flags

Zero flag is set if result is zero and cleared otherwise.

In addition, carry flag is **set** if there is a carry out of the MSbit and cleared otherwise.

In byte (8-bit) mode, C=1 if sum > 255 (0xFF) In word (16-bit) mode, C=1 if sum > 65535 (0xFFFF)

0xF0		0x00	0x01	0x80
+0x20		+0x00	+0xFF	+0x7F
0x10	Z=0,	0x00 Z=1,	, 0x00 Z=1,	0xFF Z=0,
	C=1	C=0	C=1	C=0

Byte mode operations are shown.

Subtraction: Carry, Zero Flags

Zero flag is set if result is zero and cleared otherwise.

In subtraction, carry flag is **cleared** if there is a borrow into the MSb (unsigned underflow, result is < 0, larger number subtracted from smaller number). Carry flag is **set** if no borrow occurs.

0xF0		0x00		0x01	
- 0x20		-0x00		-0xFF	
0xD0	Z=0,	0x00	Z=1,	0x02	Z=0,
	C=1		C=1		C=0

For a subtraction, the combination of Z=1, C=0 will not occur. Byte mode operations are shown.

How do you remember setting of C flag for Subtraction?

Subtraction of A – B is actually performed in hardware as A $+(\sim B) + 1$

The value $(\sim B) + 1$ is called the **two's complement** of B (more on this later). The C flag is affected by the addition of A + $(\sim B) + 1$



C Shift Left, Shift Right

logical Shift right i >> 1

all bits shift to right by one, '0' into MSB (8-bit right shift shown)



Shift left i << 1

all bits shift to left by one, '0' into LSB (8-bit left shift shown)



original value

 $i \ll 1$ (left shift by one)

PIC24 Family Unsigned Right Shifts

Logical Shift Right



The last two logical shifts can shift multiple positions in one instruction cycle (up to 15 positions), but only as word operations. There is an *arithmetic* right shift that will be covered in a later lecture.

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PIC24 Family Left Shifts

Shift left

Cflag -	b7 b6 b5 b4 b3 b2 b1 b0	► 0 8-bit
Cflag -	b15 b14 b1 b0	0 16-bit
Descr: Shift left f	Syntax SL{.B} f	Operation $f \ll 1 \rightarrow f$
	SL{.B} f,WREG	$f \ll 1 \rightarrow WREG$
Shift left Ws Shift left by short Literal	SL{.B} Ws,Wd SL Wb, #lit4, Wd	$Ws << 1 \rightarrow Wd$ $Wb << lit4 \rightarrow Wd$
Shift left by Ws	SL Wb, Ws, Wd	$Wb \ll Ws \rightarrow Wd$

The last two shifts can shift multiple positions in one instruction cycle (up to 15 positions), but only as word operations.

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PIC24 Rotate Instructions

PIC24 has some rotate left and rotate right instructions as well:



The **rrc/rlc** instructions are used in the next chapter for 32-bit shift operations. The **rrnc/rlnc** are not discussed further. The valid addressing modes are the same as for the shift operations that only shift by one position.

C Shift operations



It is sometimes more efficient to repeat a single position shift instruction performing a multi-bit shift.

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Arithmetic Example

(a) In <i>C</i>	(c) In Assembly	
(a) In C uint16 i,n,p; k = n + (i <<3) - p; (b) Steps: Copy <i>n</i> , <i>i</i> to working registers	<pre>(c) In Assembly mov n,W0 mov i,W1 sl W1,#3,W1 add W0,W1,W0 mov p,W1 sub W0,W1,W0 mov W0,k</pre>	<pre>;W0 = n ;W1 = i ;W1 = i << 3; ;W0 = n + (i<<3) ;W1 = p ;W0 = (n + (i<<3))-p ;k = (n + (i<<3))-p</pre>
Perform $i \ll 3$ Add to n Subtract p Write to k		

Use working registers for storage of intermediate results.

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Mixed 8-bit, 16-bit operations



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Conditional Execution using Bit Test

The 'bit test f, skip if clear' (btsc) and 'bit test f, skip if set' (btss) instructions are used for conditional execution.

btsc{.b} f, #bit4 ; skips next instruction is f<#bit4> is clear ('0')

btss{.b} f, #bit4 ; skips next instruction is f<#bit4> is set ('1')

Bit test instructions are just the first of many different methods of performing conditional execution in the PIC24 μ C.

```
;unitialized data section
 (1)
                .bss
                              ;byte variable
 (2)
      loc:
                .space 1
                                                     Number Sequencing Task
                              ;byte variable
 (3)
      out:
                .space 1
                              ;Start of Code section
 (4)
               .text
                                                                  using btsc
                              ; first instruction
 (5)
        reset:
                  SP init, W15
                                 ;Initalize the Stack Pointer
 (6)
          mov #
                  loc, #0
                              ;uncomment for loc<0>=0
 (7)
         ;bclr
                              ;uncomment for loc<0>=1
 (8)
         bset
                  loc, #0
 (9)
      loop top:
         btsc.b
                              ;skip next if loc<0> is 0
(10)
                  loc,#0
                  loc lsb is 1 -
(11)
         qoto
                                               Skip goto loc lsb is 1
         ;loc<0> is 0 if reach here
(12)
                                               if least significant bit of
                  #3,w0
(13)
       ► mov.b
                                               loc is 0.
                              ;out = 3
         mov.b
                  wreq,out
(14)
                  #2,w0
(15)
         mov.b
         mov.b
                  wreg,out
                              ;out = 2
(16)
(17)
         mov.b
                  #4.w0
(18)
         mov.b
                  wreq,out
                              ;out = 4
(19)
      loc lsb is 1: 🗲
                  #8,w0
(20)
         mov.b
(21)
         mov.b
                  wreg,out
                              ;out = 8
                  #5,w0
(22)
         mov.b
(23)
         mov.b
                  wreq,out
                              ;out = 5
                  #6,w0
         mov.b
(24)
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                  wreq,out
                              :out = 6
         mov.b
(25)
                                         From: Reese/Bruce/Jones, "Microcontrollers: From Assembly to C with the PIC24 Family".
         mov.b
                  #1,w0
(26)
                              ;out = 1
         mov.b
                  wreq,out
(27)
(28)
                  loop top
                              ;loop forever
         goto
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C Conditional Tests

Operator	Description
== , !=	equal, not-equal
>, >=	greater than, greater than or equal
<, <=	less than, less than or equal
&&	logical AND
	logical OR
!	logical negation

If an operator used in a *C* conditional test, such as an IF statement or WHILE statement, returns nonzero, then the condition test is TRUE.

Logical Negation vs. Bitwise Complement



Logical operations: !, &&, || always treat their operands as either being zero or non-zero, and the returned result is always either 0 or 1.

Examples of *C* Equality, Inequality, Logical, Bitwise Logical Tests uint8 a,b,a_lt_b, a_eq_b, a_gt_b, a_ne_b;

a = 5; b = 10; a_lt_b = (a < b); // a_lt_b result is 1 a_eq_b = (a == b); // a_eq_b result is 0 a_gt_b = (a > b); // a_gt_b result is 0 a_ne_b = (a != b); // a_ne_b result is 1

uint8 a_lor_b, a_bor_b, a_lneg_b, a_bcom_b;

(2)	a = 0xF0; b = 0x0F;	
(3)	$a_land_b = (a \&\& b);$	//logical and, result is 1
(4)	a band b = (a & b);	<pre>//bitwise and, result is 0</pre>
(5)	$a_lor_b = (a b);$	//logical or, result is 1
(6)	a_bor_b = (a b);	//bitwise or, result is 0xFF
(7)	$a_lneg_b = (!b);$	<pre>//logical negation, result is 0</pre>
(8)	$a_bcom_b = (~b);$	//bitwise negation, result is 0xF0

if{} Statement Format in *C*

if-body and *else-body* can contain multiple statements.

else-body is optional.

C zero/non-zero tests

A *C* conditional test is true if the result is non-zero; false if the result is zero.

The ! operator is a logical test that returns 1 if the operator is equal to '0', returns '0' if the operator is non-zero.

<pre>if (!i) { // do this if i zero j = i + j; }</pre>	<pre>if (i) { // do this if i non-zero j = i + j; } }</pre>
Could also write: if (i == 0) { // do this if i zero j = i + j; }	<pre>if (i != 0) { // do this if i non-zero j = i + j; } }</pre>
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C equality tests

'==' is the equality test in C; '=' is the assignment operator. A common C code mistake is shown below (= vs ==)

Always executes because i=5 returns 5, so conditional test is always non-zero, a true value. The = is the assignment operator.

The test i == 5 returns a 1 only when i is 5. The -- is the equality operator.

C Bitwise logical vs. Logical AND

The '&' operator is a bitwise logical AND. The '&&' operator is a logical AND and treats its operands as either zero or non-zero.

is read as: is read as: /* do this */ } if (i & j) { /* do this */ } i = 0xA0, j = 0x0B; (i && j) 1

If ((i is nonzero) AND (j is nonzero)) then *do this*.

If ((i bitwise AND j) is nonzero)) then *do this*.

$$i = 0xA0, j = 0x0B;$$

C Bitwise logical vs. Logical OR

The '|' operator is a bitwise logical OR. The '||' operator is a logical OR and treats its operands as either zero or non-zero.

 $if (i || j) \{ is read as: If ((i is nonzero) OR (j is nonzero)) \{ do... \}$ $if (i | j) \{ is read as: f ((i bitwise OR j)) is nonzero)) \{ do... \}$ i = 0xA0, j = 0x0B; i = 0xA0, j = 0x0B; $(i || j) \implies 1 \qquad (i | j) \implies 0xAB$



The *mov i* instruction just moves *i* back onto itself! Does no useful work except to affect the Z, N flags.

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Conditional Execution using branches

A *branch* functions as a conditional *goto* based upon the setting of one more flags

Simple branches test only one flag:

BRA	Z, <label></label>	branch to label if Z=1
BRA	NZ, <label></label>	branch to label if Z=0 (not zero)
BRA	C, <label></label>	branch to label if C=1
BRA	NC, <label></label>	branch to label if C=0 (no carry)
BRA	N, <label></label>	branch to label if N=1
BRA	NN, <label></label>	branch to label if N=0 (not negative)

BRA <label> unconditional branch to <label>

Using branch instructions instead of btsc/btss generally results in fewer instructions, and improves code clarity. $_{V\,0.2}$

Non-Zero Test



For a non-zero test if(!i) replace bra Z with bra NZ

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General if-else form with branches



Choose the branch instruction such that the branch is **TAKEN** when the condition is **FALSE**.

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Equality Test (==)



Subtraction operation of k-j performed to check equality;

if k == j then subtraction yields '0', setting the Z flag. Does not matter if k-j or j-k is performed.

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>,>=, <,<= tests using Z, C flags and subtraction

(a) k - j $k \ge j$ $k \le j$ C = 1 C = 0 or Z = 1k < j k < j k > C = 0C = 0C = 1Z = 0Z = 0k > jk == i C = 1and Z = 0

Note: $k \le j$ is $\sim (k \ge j)$ is $\sim (C \& \sim Z)$ is ($\sim C | Z$) by DeMorgan's law. Similarly, $k \le j$ is $\sim (k \ge j)$ is $\sim (C)$ is $\sim C$.

(b)
$$\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}$$

 $\mathbf{k} \ge \mathbf{j}$ $\mathbf{k} <= \mathbf{j}$
 $\mathbf{c} = 0 \text{ or } \mathbf{Z} = 1$ $\mathbf{c} = 1$
 $\mathbf{k} > \mathbf{j}$ $\mathbf{k} < \mathbf{j}$
 $\mathbf{c} = 0$ $\mathbf{c} = 1$
 $\mathbf{z} = 0$ $\mathbf{z} = 0$
 $\mathbf{k} == \mathbf{j}$
 $\mathbf{c} = 1$
 $\mathbf{z} = 0$
 $\mathbf{z} = 1$
 $\mathbf{z} = 0$
 $\mathbf{z} = 1$
 $\mathbf{z} = 0$

Note: k < j is $\sim (k \ge j)$ is $\sim (!C | Z)$ is $(C \& \sim Z)$ by DeMorgan's law. Similarly, $k \le j$ is $\sim (k \ge j)$ is $\sim (\sim C)$ is C.

k>j test using k-j



False condition of k > j is $k \le j$, so need branches that accomplish this.

The false condition of k>j is k<=j, so use k<=j to skip around the if-body. For the k-j test, this is accomplished by C=0 or Z=1, requiring two branches.

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The false condition of k>j is k<=j, so use k<=j to skip around the if-body. For the j-k test, this is accomplished by C=1, requiring one branch

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Comparison, Unsigned Branches

Using subtraction, and simple branches can be confusing, since it can be difficult to remember which preferred subtraction to perform and which branch to use.

Also, the subtraction operation overwrites a register value.

The comparison instruction (CP) performs a subtraction without placing the result in register:

Descr:	Syntax	Operation
Compare f with WREG	$CP\{.B\} f$	f – WREG
Compare Wb with Ws	$CP \{.B\} Wb, Ws$	Wb-Ws
Compare Wb with #lit5	CP{.B} Wb,#lit5	Wb – #lit5
Compare f with zero	CP0{.B} f	f - 0
Compare Ws with zero	$CPQ\{B,B\}$ Ws	Ws - 0

Comparison, Unsigned Branches (cont)

Unsigned branches are used for unsigned comparisons and tests a combination of the Z, C flags, depending on the comparison.

Descr:	Syntax	Branch taken when
Branch >, unsigned	BRA GTU, label	C=1 && Z=0
Branch >=, unsigned	BRA GEU, label	C=1
Branch <, unsigned	BRA LTU, label	C=0
Branch <=, unsigned	BRA LEU, label	C=0 Z=1

Use a Compare instruction to affect the flags before using an unsigned branch.

Example:

CP W0, W1; W0 - W1BRA GTU, place; branch taken if W0 > W1

Unsigned Comparison (> test)

In C In Assembly uint16 k, j; mov j,WO ;W0 = i k ;k - WREG cp bra LEU, end_if ;skip if-body when k <= j</pre> if $(k \ge j)$ if-body stmt1 if-body stmtN} end if ... rest of code rest of code

For k > j test, use the LEU (less than or equal unsigned) branch to skip IF body if $k \le j$

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If-else Example

In C uint16 k, j;

if (k <= j) {
 // if-body code
} else {
 //else-body code
}
// ...rest of code...</pre>

In Assembly

```
mov j,WO
                       ;W0 = i
     k
                       ;k - WREG
  cp
 bra GTU, else body
                       ; skip if-body when k > j
  .. if-body stmt1
  .. if-body stmtN
  bra end if -
                       ;use unconditional branch
else body:
                       ;to skip else-body after
  ..else-body stmt1
                       ; executing if-body
  ..else-body stmtN
end if: 🕳
  .. rest of code ..
```

Must use unconditional branch at end of if-body to skip the elsebody.

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Unsigned literal Comparison



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switch Statement in C



A *switch* statement is a shorthand version of an *if-else* chain where the same variable is compared for equality against different values.

switch Statement in assembly language

In C In Assembly mov.b u8 i,WREG ;W0 = u8 i uint8 u8 i; ;u8 i == 1? cp.b W0,#1 uint16 u16 j, u16 k; bra NZ,case 2 inc u16 k ;u16 k++ switch (u8 i) { ;break statement bra end switchcase 2: case 1: u16 k++; cp.b W0,#2 ;u8 i == 2? break: bra NZ,case 3 dec u16 j ;u16 j-bra end switch 🔶 ;break statement case 2: u16 j--; case 3: break: cp.b W0,#3 :u8 i == 3? OK to use W0 for computation bra NZ, default case 3: after comparison is done. u16 k,(WO) mov u16 j = u16 j + u16 k;u16 j ;u16 j = u16 j + u16 k add break: ;break statement bra end switch + default: default: mov u16 j,WO $u16_k = u16_k - u16_j;$ sub u16 k ;u16 k = u16 k - u16 jend switch: -Note: The literal size in the ..rest of code.. }// end switch CP instruction is 5-bits (unsigned values of 0-31).

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Unsigned, Zero, Equality Comparison Summary

Condition	Test	True Branch	False Branch
i == 0	i – 0	bra Z	bra NZ
i != 0	i – 0	bra NZ	bra Z
i == k	i – k	bra Z	bra NZ
i != k	i – k	bra NZ	bra Z
i > k	i – k	bra GTU	bra LEU
i >= k	i – k	bra GEU	bra LTU
i < k	i – k	bra LTU	bra GEU
i <= k	i – k	bra LEU	bra GTU

Other PIC24 Comparison Instructions The PIC24 has various other comparison instructions

CPSEQ Wb,Wn	; if Wb == Wn, skip next instruction
CPSNE Wb,Wn	; if Wb != Wn, skip next instruction
CPSGT Wb,Wn	; if Wb == Wn, skip next instruction
CPSLT Wb,Wn	; if Wb < Wn, skip next instruction

These are provided as upward compatibility with previous PICmicro families, and may save an instruction or two in certain situations. However, we will not use them since their functionality can be duplicated by previously covered compare/branch instructions.

Complex Conditions (&&)



The *else-body* is branched to on the first condition that is false. The *if-body* is executed if all conditions are true.

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Complex Condition Example (&&)

In C In Assembly mov k,WO :W0 = kuint16 i, j, k; ;i - WREG i ср bra GEU, else body ;skip if-body when i >= kif ((i < k) &&mov #20,W0 ;W0 = 20; - WREG $(j != 20)) \{$ cp ٦ bra Z, else body ;skip if-body when j == 20 *if-body* if-body stmt1 } else { ... stmtN else-body end if ;skip else-body bra ►else body: } else-body stmt1 ... rest of code .. stmtN end if: rest of code

Complex Conditions (||)



The *if-body* is branched to on the first condition that is true. The *else-body* is executed if all conditions are false.

Careful of last branch! Different from others!

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Complex Conditions (||), alternate method



The *if-body* is branched to on the first condition that is true. The *else-body* is executed if all conditions are false.

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Complex Condition Example (||)

In C In Assembly mov k,WO ;W0 = i uint16 i, j, k; ;i - WREG i cp uint16 p,q; bra LTU, if body ; execute if-body when i < kmov p,WO q = 0W;;j - WREG cp İ if $((i \leq k) \parallel$;execute if-body when j == p bra Z, if body $(j == p) \parallel$ cp0 q ; q - 0 $(q != 0)) \{$ (bra Z, else body ; skip if-body when q == 0*if-bodv* if body: } else { if-body stmt1 Can be replaced with: stmtN else-body . . . bra end if } bra NZ, if body ;true cond! else body: < bra else body ... rest of code else-body stmt1 ... stmtN end if: rest of code

while loop Structure



The *while-body* is not executed if the condition test is initially false.

Observe that at the end of the loop, there is a jump back to *top_while* after the while-body is performed. The body of a *while* loop will not execute if the condition test is initially false.

while loop Example



In Assembly



do-while loop Structure



The *do-while-body* is always executed at least once.

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do-while Example

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In *C* uint16 k, j;

do {
 while-body
}while (k > j);
... rest of code

In Assembly

top_do_while:
while-body stmt1
 ... stmtN
mov j,W0 ;W0 = j
cp k ;k - WREG
bra GTU, top_do_while
... rest of code

return to top of *do{}while* loop if k > j

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Aside: *for* loops in C

A *for* loop is just another way to write a *while* loop. Typically used to implement a counting loop (a loop that is executed a fixed number of times).



These statements executed 10 times. Both code blocks are equivalent.

Bit Test Instruction

The 'bit test' instruction: btst f, #bit4 is useful for testing a single bit in an operand and branching on that bit. The complement of the bit is copied to the Z flag (if bit is 0, then Z=1; if bit is 1, then Z=0).



Other forms of 'bit test' are available; they will not be discussed.

What instructions do you use?

You will discover that there are many ways for accomplishing the same thing using different instruction sequences.

Which method do you use?

The method that you **understand**.....(and have not MEMORIZED), since memorization of code fragments will fail if faced with a situation different from what is memorized.

Your grade will not be penalized for 'inefficient code' in this course since this is your first look at assembly language programming.

Your grade will **always** be penalized for **incorrect** code – "close" does not count.

What do you need to know?

- Bitwise logical operations (and,or,xor, complement)
 Clearing/setting/complementing groups of bits
- Bit set/clear/toggle instructions
- Shift left (<<), shift right (>>)
- Status register (C, Z flags)
- ==, !=, >, <, >=, <= tests on 8-bit, 16-bit unsigned variables
 - Conditional execution
- Loop structures