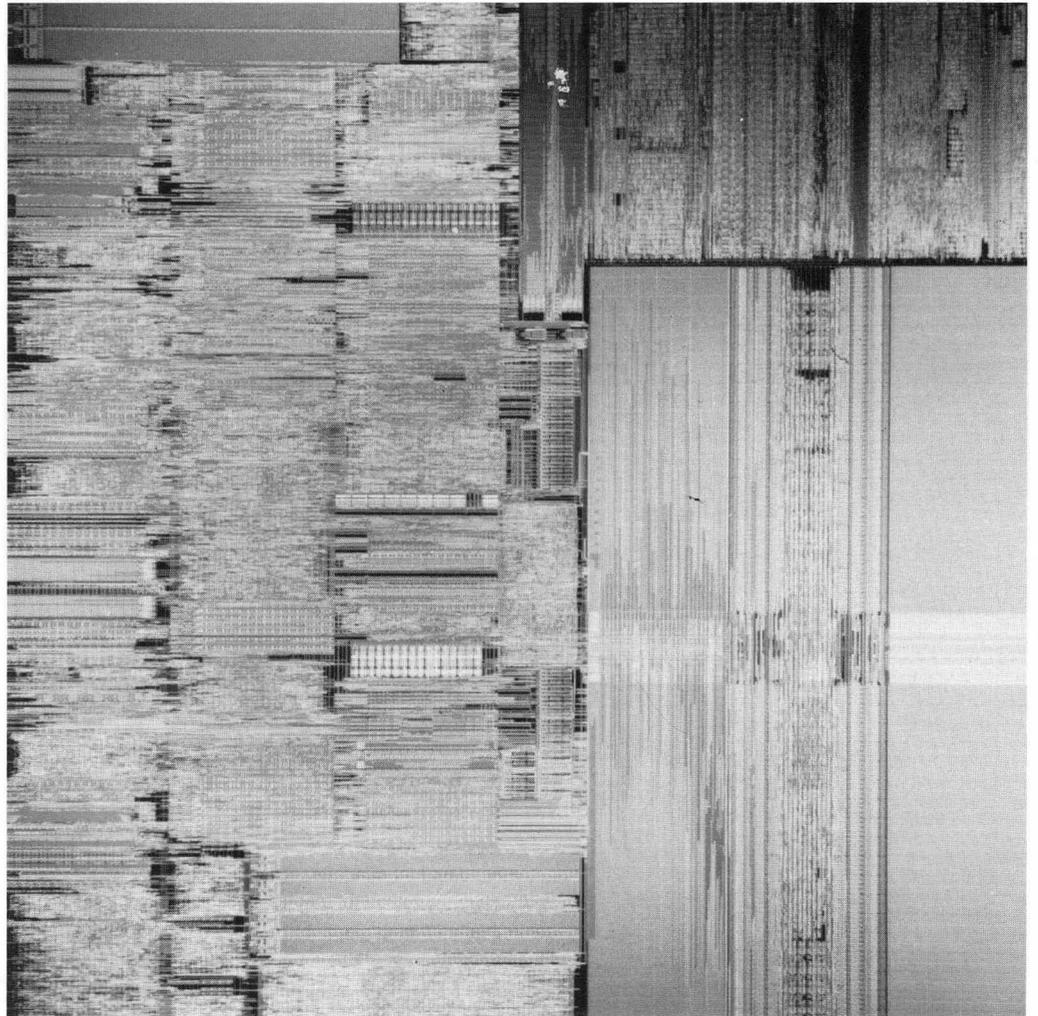


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About This Book

This book describes the PowerPC Architecture in three parts. Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1, describes the base instruction set and related facilities available to the application programmer. Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117, describes the storage model and related instructions and facilities available to the application programmer, and the Time Base as seen by the application programmer. Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141, describes the system (privileged) instructions and related facilities. Each PowerPC Implementation Features document defines the implementation dependent aspects of a particular implementation. The complete description of the PowerPC Architecture as instantiated in a given implementation includes also the material in the PowerPC Implementation Features document for that implementation.

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Part 1. PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture

This part describes the base instruction set and related facilities available to the application programmer.

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Chapter 1. Introduction

1.1 Overview

This chapter describes computation modes, compatibility with the Power Architecture, document conventions, a processor overview, instruction formats, storage addressing, and instruction fetching.

1.2 Computation Modes

The PowerPC Architecture allows for the following types of implementation:

- 64-bit implementations, in which all registers except some Special Purpose Registers are 64 bits long, and effective addresses are 64 bits long. All 64-bit implementations have two modes of operation: 64-bit mode and 32-bit mode. The mode controls how the effective address is interpreted, how status bits are set, and how the Count Register is tested by *Branch Conditional* instructions. All instructions provided for 64-bit implementations are available in both modes.
- 32-bit implementations, in which all registers except Floating-Point Registers are 32 bits long, and effective addresses are 32 bits long.

Instructions defined in this document are provided in both 64-bit implementations and 32-bit implementations unless otherwise stated. Instructions that are provided only for 64-bit implementations are illegal in 32-bit implementations, and vice versa.

1.2.1 64-bit Implementations

In both 64-bit mode and 32-bit mode of a 64-bit implementation, instructions that set a 64-bit register affect all 64 bits, and the value placed into the register is independent of mode. In both modes, effective address computations use all 64 bits of the relevant registers (General Purpose Registers, Link Register, Count Register, etc.), and produce a 64-bit result. However, in 32-bit mode, the high-order 32 bits of the computed effective address are ignored when

accessing data, and are set to 0 when fetching instructions.

1.2.2 32-bit Implementations

For a 32-bit implementation, all references to 64-bit mode in this document should be disregarded. The semantics of instructions are as shown in this document for 32-bit mode in a 64-bit implementation, except that in a 32-bit implementation all registers except Floating-Point Registers are 32 bits long. Bit numbers for registers are shown in braces (`{ }`) when they differ from the corresponding numbers for a 64-bit implementation, as described in Section 1.5.1, “Definitions and Notation” on page 4.

1.3 Instruction Mnemonics and Operands

The description of each instruction includes the mnemonic and a formatted list of operands. Some examples are the following.

```
stw      RS,D(RA)
addis   RT,RA,SI
```

PowerPC-compliant assemblers will support the mnemonics and operand lists exactly as shown. They will also provide certain extended mnemonics, as described in Appendix C, “Assembler Extended Mnemonics” on page 223.

1.4 Compatibility with the Power Architecture

The PowerPC Architecture provides binary compatibility for Power application programs, except as described in Appendix G, “Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture” on page 257.

Many of the PowerPC instructions are identical to Power instructions. For some of these the PowerPC instruction name and/or mnemonic differs from that in Power. To assist readers familiar with the Power Architecture, Power mnemonics are shown with the individual instruction descriptions when they differ from the PowerPC mnemonics. Also, Appendix F, "Cross-Reference for Changed Power Mnemonics" on page 255, provides a cross-reference from Power mnemonics to PowerPC mnemonics for the instructions in this document.

1.5 Document Conventions

1.5.1 Definitions and Notation

The following definitions and notation are used throughout the PowerPC Architecture documents.

- A program is a sequence of related instructions.
- Quadwords are 128 bits, doublewords are 64 bits, words are 32 bits, halfwords are 16 bits, and bytes are 8 bits.
- All numbers are decimal unless specified in some special way.
 - 0bnnnn means a number expressed in binary format.
 - 0xnxxx means a number expressed in hexadecimal format.

Underscores may be used between digits.

- RT, RA, R1, ... refer to General Purpose Registers.
- FRT, FRA, FR1, ... refer to Floating-Point Registers.
- (x) means the contents of register x, where x is the name of an instruction field. For example, (RA) means the contents of register RA, and (FRA) means the contents of register FRA, where RA and FRA are instruction fields. Names such as LR and CTR denote registers, not fields, so parentheses are not used with them. Also, when register x is assigned to, parentheses are omitted.
- (RA|0) means the contents of register RA if the RA field has the value 1-31, or the value 0 if the RA field is 0.
- Bits in registers, instructions, and fields are specified as follows.
 - Bits are numbered left to right, starting with bit 0.
 - Ranges of bits are specified by two numbers separated by a colon (:). The range p:q consists of bits p through q.
 - For registers that are 64 bits long in 64-bit implementations and 32 bits long in 32-bit

implementations, bit numbers and ranges are specified with the values for 32-bit implementations enclosed in braces ({}). {} means a bit that does not exist in 32-bit implementations. {:} means a range that does not exist in 32-bit implementations.

- X_p means bit p of register/field X.
 $X_{p(r)}$ means bit p of register/field X in a 64-bit implementation, and bit r of register/field X in a 32-bit implementation.
- $X_{p:q}$ means bits p through q of register/field X.
 $X_{p:q(r:s)}$ means bits p through q of register/field X in a 64-bit implementation, and bits r through s of register/field X in a 32-bit implementation.
- $X_{p,q,\dots}$ means bits p, q, ... of register/field X.
 $X_{p,q,\dots(r,s,\dots)}$ means bits p, q, ... of register/field X in a 64-bit implementation, and bits r, s, ... of register/field X in a 32-bit implementation.
- $\neg(RA)$ means the one's complement of the contents of register RA.
- Field i refers to bits $4xi$ to $4xi+3$ of a register.
- A period (.) as the last character of an instruction mnemonic means that the instruction records status information in certain fields of certain Special Purpose Registers as a side effect of execution, as described in Chapter 2 through Chapter 4.
- The symbol || is used to describe the concatenation of two values. For example, 010 || 111 is the same as 010111.
- x^n means x raised to the n^{th} power.
- $^n x$ means the replication of x, n times (i.e., x concatenated to itself n-1 times). $^n 0$ and $^n 1$ are special cases:
 - $^n 0$ means a field of n bits with each bit equal to 0. Thus $^5 0$ is equivalent to 0b00000.
 - $^n 1$ means a field of n bits with each bit equal to 1. Thus $^5 1$ is equivalent to 0b11111.
- Positive means greater than zero.
- Negative means less than zero.
- A system library program is a component of the system software that can be called by an application program using a *Branch* instruction.
- A system service program is a component of the system software that can be called by an application program using a *System Call* instruction.
- The system trap handler is a component of the system software that receives control when the conditions specified in a *Trap* instruction are satisfied.
- The system error handler is a component of the system software that receives control when an error occurs. The system error handler includes a component for each of the various kinds of

error. These error-specific components are referred to as the system alignment error handler, the system data storage error handler, etc.

- Each bit and field in instructions, and in status and control registers (XER and FPSCR) and Special Purpose Registers, is either defined or reserved.
- *I, II, III, ...* denotes a reserved field in an instruction.
- Latency refers to the interval from the time an instruction begins execution until it produces a result that is available for use by a subsequent instruction.
- Unavailable refers to a resource that cannot be used by the program. Data or instruction storage is unavailable if an instruction is denied access to it. Floating-point instructions are unavailable if use of them is denied. See Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.

1.5.2 Reserved Fields

All reserved fields in instructions should be zero. If they are not, the instruction form is invalid: see Section 1.9.2, "Invalid Instruction Forms" on page 13.

The handling of reserved bits in status and control registers (XER and FPSCR) and in Special Purpose Registers (and Segment Registers: see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) is implementation dependent. For each such reserved bit, an implementation shall either:

- ignore the source value for the bit on write, and return zero for it on read; or
- set the bit from the source value on write, and return the value last set for it on read.

Programming Note

It is the responsibility of software to preserve bits that are now reserved in status and control registers and in Special Purpose Registers (and Segment Registers: see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), as they may be assigned a meaning in some future version of the architecture or in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for some implementation. In order to accomplish this preservation in implementation independent fashion, software should do the following.

- Initialize each such register supplying zeros for all reserved bits.
- Alter (defined) bit(s) in the register by reading the register, altering only the desired bit(s), and then writing the new value back to the register.

When a currently reserved bit is subsequently assigned a meaning, every effort will be made to have the value to which the system initializes the bit correspond to the "old behavior."

1.5.3 Description of Instruction Operation

A formal description is given of the operation of each instruction. In addition, the operation of most instructions is described by a semiformal language at the register transfer level (RTL). This RTL uses the notation given below, in addition to the definitions and notation described in Section 1.5.1, "Definitions and Notation" on page 4. RTL notation not summarized here should be self-explanatory.

The RTL descriptions do not imply any particular implementation.

The RTL descriptions do not cover the following:

- "Standard" setting of the Condition Register, Fixed-Point Exception Register, and Floating-Point Status and Control Register. "Non-standard" setting of these registers (e.g., the setting of Condition Register Field 0 by the *stwcx.* instruction) is shown.
- Invalid instruction forms.

| Notation | Meaning |
|------------------|---|
| ← | Assignment |
| ← _{iea} | Assignment of an instruction effective address. In 32-bit mode of a 64-bit implementation the high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit target are set to 0. |
| ¬ | NOT logical operator |
| x | Multiplication |
| ÷ | Division (yielding quotient) |

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| + | Two's-complement addition |
| - | Two's-complement subtraction, unary minus |
| =, ≠ | Equals and Not Equals relations |
| <, ≤, >, ≥ | Signed comparison relations |
| ≠, <, > | Unsigned comparison relations |
| ? | Unordered comparison relation |
| &, | AND, OR logical operators |
| ⊕, ≡ | Exclusive-OR, Equivalence logical operators ((a≡b) = (a⊕¬b)) |
| CEIL(x) | Least integer ≥ x |
| DOUBLE(x) | Result of converting x from floating-point single format to floating-point double format, using the model shown on page 99 |
| EXTS(x) | Result of extending x on the left with sign bits |
| GPR(x) | General Purpose Register x |
| MASK(x, y) | Mask having 1's in positions x through y (wrapping if x > y) and 0's elsewhere |
| MEM(x, y) | Contents of y bytes of memory starting at address x. In 32-bit mode of a 64-bit implementation the high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit value x are ignored. |
| ROTL ₆₄ (x, y) | Result of rotating the 64-bit value x left y positions |
| ROTL ₃₂ (x, y) | Result of rotating the 64-bit value x left y positions, where x is 32 bits long |
| SINGLE(x) | Result of converting x from floating-point double format to floating-point single format, using the model shown on page 102 |
| SPREG(x) | Special Purpose Register x |
| TRAP | Invoke the system trap handler |
| characterization | Reference to the setting of status bits, in a standard way that is explained in the text |
| undefined | An undefined value. The value may vary from one implementation to another, and from one execution to another on the same implementation. |
| CIA | Current Instruction Address, which is the 64{32}-bit address of the instruction being described by a sequence of RTL. Used by relative branches to set the Next Instruction Address (NIA), and by <i>Branch</i> instructions with LK=1 to set the Link Register. In 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations, the high-order 32 bits of CIA are always set to 0. Does not correspond to any architected register. |
| NIA | Next Instruction Address, which is the 64{32}-bit address of the next instruction to be executed. For a successful branch, the next instruction address is the branch target address: in RTL, this indicated by |

assigning a value to NIA. For other instructions that cause non-sequential instruction fetching (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), the RTL is similar. For instructions that do not branch, and do not otherwise cause instruction fetching to be non-sequential, the next instruction address is CIA+4. In 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations, the high-order 32 bits of NIA are always set to 0. Does not correspond to any architected register.

if ... then ... else ... Conditional execution, indenting shows range, else is optional
do Do loop, indenting shows range. "To" and/or "by" clauses specify incrementing an iteration variable, and "while" and/or "until" clauses give termination conditions, in the usual manner.
leave Leave innermost do loop, or do loop described in leave statement

The precedence rules for RTL operators are summarized in Table 1. Operators higher in the table are applied before those lower in the table. Operators at the same level in the table associate from left to right, from right to left, or not at all, as shown. (For example, - associates from left to right, so a-b-c = (a-b)-c.) Parentheses are used to override the evaluation order implied by the table, or to increase clarity: parenthesized expressions are evaluated before serving as operands.

| Operators | Associativity |
|--|---------------|
| subscript, function evaluation | left to right |
| pre-superscript (replication), post-superscript (exponentiation) | right to left |
| unary -, ¬ | right to left |
| x, ÷ | left to right |
| +, - | left to right |
| | left to right |
| =, ≠, <, ≤, >, ≥, <, >, ? | left to right |
| &, ⊕, ≡ | left to right |
| | left to right |
| : (range) | none |
| ← | none |

1.6 Processor Overview

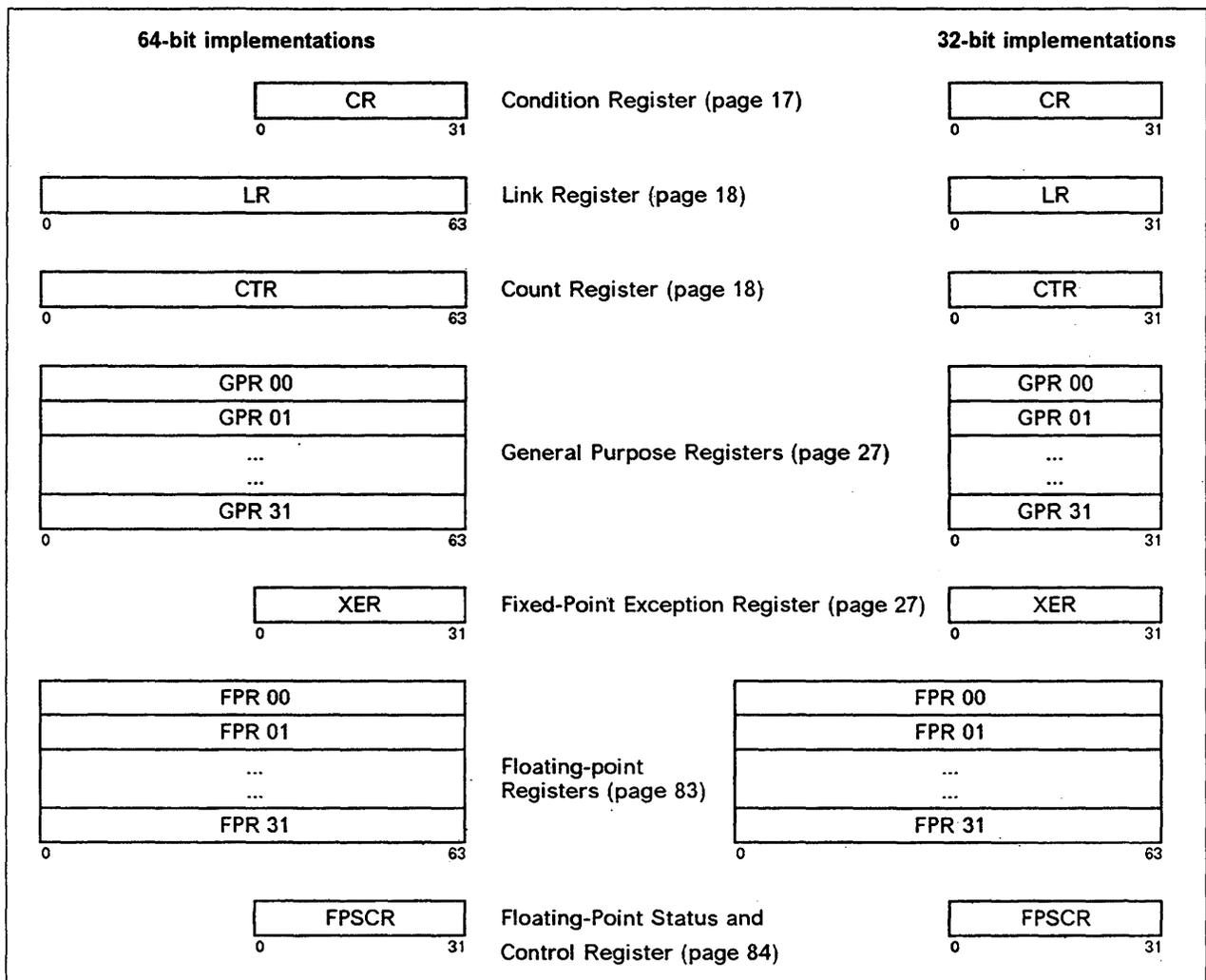


Figure 1. PowerPC User Register Set

The processor implements the instruction set, the storage model, and other facilities defined in this document. Instructions which the processor can execute fall into the following classes.

- branch instructions,
- fixed-point instructions, and
- floating-point instructions.

Branch instructions are described in Section 2.4, “Branch Processor Instructions” on page 19. Fixed-point instructions are described in Section 3.3, “Fixed-Point Processor Instructions” on page 29. Floating-point instructions are described in Section 4.6, “Floating-Point Processor Instructions” on page 99.

Fixed-point instructions operate on byte, halfword, word, and, in 64-bit implementations, doubleword operands. Floating-point instructions operate on

single-precision and double-precision floating-point operands. The PowerPC Architecture uses instructions that are four bytes long and word-aligned. It provides for byte, halfword, word, and, in 64-bit implementations, doubleword operand fetches and stores between storage and a set of 32 General Purpose Registers (GPRs). It also provides for word and doubleword operand fetches and stores between storage and a set of 32 Floating-Point Registers (FPRs).

There are no computational instructions that modify storage. To use a storage operand in a computation and then modify the same or another storage location, the content of storage must be loaded into a register, modified, and then stored back to the target location. Figure 2 on page 8 is a logical representation of instruction processing. Figure 1 shows the registers of the PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture.

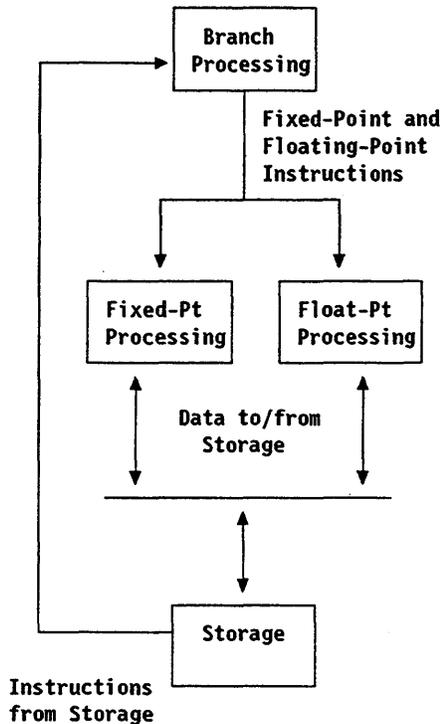


Figure 2. Logical Processing Model

1.7 Instruction Formats

All instructions are four bytes long and word-aligned. Thus, whenever instruction addresses are presented to the processor (as in *Branch* instructions) the two low order bits are ignored. Similarly, whenever the processor develops an instruction address its two low order bits are zero.

Bits 0:5 always specify the opcode (OPCD, below). Many instructions also have an extended opcode (XO, below). The remaining bits of the instruction contain one or more fields as shown below for the different instruction formats.

The format diagrams given below show horizontally all valid combinations of instruction fields. The diagrams include instruction fields that are used only by instructions defined in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, or in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141. See those Books for the definitions of such fields.

In some cases an instruction field is reserved, or must contain a particular value. If a reserved field does not have all bits set to 0, or if a field that must contain a particular value does not contain that value, the instruction form is invalid and the results are as described in Section 1.9.2, "Invalid Instruction Forms" on page 13.

Split Field Notation

In some cases an instruction field occupies more than one contiguous sequence of bits, or occupies one contiguous sequence of bits which are used in permuted order. Such a field is called a "split field." In the format diagrams given below and in the individual instruction layouts, the name of a split field is shown in small letters, once for each of the contiguous sequences. In the RTL description of an instruction having a split field, and in certain other places where individual bits of a split field are identified, the name of the field in small letters represents the concatenation of the sequences from left to right. In all other places, the name of the field is capitalized, and represents the concatenation of the sequences in some order, which need not be left to right, as described for each affected instruction.

1.7.1 I-Form

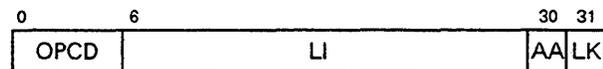


Figure 3. I Instruction Format

1.7.2 B-Form

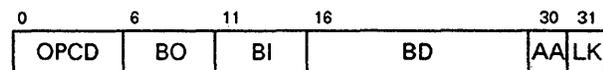


Figure 4. B Instruction Format

1.7.3 SC-Form

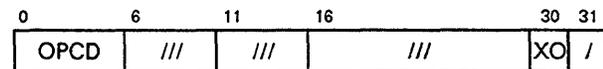


Figure 5. SC Instruction Format

1.7.4 D-Form

| | | | | |
|------|---------|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |
| OPCD | RT | RA | D | |
| OPCD | RT | RA | SI | |
| OPCD | RS | RA | D | |
| OPCD | RS | RA | UI | |
| OPCD | BF // L | RA | SI | |
| OPCD | BF // L | RA | UI | |
| OPCD | TO | RA | SI | |
| OPCD | FRT | RA | D | |
| OPCD | FRS | RA | D | |

Figure 6. D Instruction Format

1.7.5 DS-Form

| | | | | | |
|------|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 | 31 |
| OPCD | RT | RA | DS | XO | |
| OPCD | RS | RA | DS | XO | |

Figure 7. DS Instruction Format (64-bit implementations only)

1.7.6 X-Form

| | | | | | |
|------|---------|--------|------|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |
| OPCD | RT | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | RT | RA | NB | XO | / |
| OPCD | RT | // SR | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | RT | /// | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | RT | /// | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | RS | RA | RB | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | RS | RA | RB | XO | 1 |
| OPCD | RS | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | RS | RA | NB | XO | / |
| OPCD | RS | RA | SH | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | RS | RA | /// | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | RS | // SR | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | RS | /// | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | RS | /// | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | BF // L | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | BF // | FRA | FRB | XO | / |
| OPCD | BF // | BFA // | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | BF // | /// | U // | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | BF // | /// | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | TO | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | FRT | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | FRT | /// | FRB | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | FRT | /// | /// | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | FRS | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | BT | /// | /// | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | /// | RA | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | /// | /// | RB | XO | / |
| OPCD | /// | /// | /// | XO | / |

Figure 8. X Instruction Format

1.7.7 XL-Form

| | | | | | |
|------|-------|--------|-----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |
| OPCD | BT | BA | BB | XO | / |
| OPCD | BO | BI | /// | XO | LK |
| OPCD | BF // | BFA // | /// | XO | / |
| OPCD | /// | /// | /// | XO | / |

Figure 9. XL Instruction Format

1.7.8 XFX-Form

| | | | | |
|------|----|-----|-----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 21 | 31 |
| OPCD | RT | spr | XO | / |
| OPCD | RT | tbr | XO | / |
| OPCD | RT | / | FXM | / |
| OPCD | RS | spr | XO | / |

Figure 10. XFX Instruction Format

1.7.9 XFL-Form

| | | | | | | |
|------|---|-----|----|-----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 7 | 15 | 16 | 21 | 31 |
| OPCD | / | FLM | / | FRB | XO | Rc |

Figure 11. XFL Instruction Format

1.7.10 XS-Form

| | | | | | | |
|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 30 | 31 |
| OPCD | RS | RA | sh | XO | sh | Rc |

Figure 12. XS Instruction Format (64-bit implementations only)

1.7.11 XO-Form

| | | | | | | |
|------|----|----|-----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |
| OPCD | RT | RA | RB | OE | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | RT | RA | RB | / | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | RT | RA | /// | OE | XO | Rc |

Figure 13. XO Instruction Format

1.7.12 A-Form

| | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |
| OPCD | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | FRT | FRA | /// | FRC | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | FRT | /// | FRB | /// | XO | Rc |

Figure 14. A Instruction Format

1.7.13 M-Form

| | | | | | | |
|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |
| OPCD | RS | RA | RB | MB | ME | Rc |
| OPCD | RS | RA | SH | MB | ME | Rc |

Figure 15. M Instruction Format

1.7.14 MD-Form

| | | | | | | | |
|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 27 | 30 | 31 |
| OPCD | RS | RA | sh | mb | XO | sh | Rc |
| OPCD | RS | RA | sh | me | XO | sh | Rc |

Figure 16. MD Instruction Format (64-bit implementations only)

1.7.15 MDS-Form

| | | | | | | |
|------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 27 | 31 |
| OPCD | RS | RA | RB | mb | XO | Rc |
| OPCD | RS | RA | RB | me | XO | Rc |

Figure 17. MDS Instruction Format (64-bit implementations only)

1.7.16 Instruction Fields

AA (30)

Absolute Address bit

- 0 The immediate field represents an address relative to the current instruction address. For I-form branches the effective address of the branch target is the sum of the LI field sign-extended to 64 bits and the address of the branch instruction. For B-form branches the effective address of the branch target is the sum of the BD field sign-extended to 64 bits and the address of the branch instruction.
- 1 The immediate field represents an absolute address. For I-form branches the effective address of the branch target is the LI field sign-extended to 64 bits. For B-form branches the effective address of the branch target is the BD field sign-extended to 64 bits.

BA (11:15)

Field used to specify a bit in the CR to be used as a source.

BB (16:20)

Field used to specify a bit in the CR to be used as a source.

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- BD (16:29)**
Immediate field specifying a 14-bit signed two's complement branch displacement which is concatenated on the right with 0b00 and sign-extended to 64 bits.
- BF (6:8)**
Field used to specify one of the CR fields or one of the FPSCR fields as a target.
- BFA (11:13)**
Field used to specify one of the CR fields or one of the FPSCR fields as a source.
- BI (11:15)**
Field used to specify a bit in the CR to be used as the condition of a *Branch Conditional* instruction.
- BO (6:10)**
Field used to specify options for the *Branch Conditional* instructions. The encoding is described in Section 2.4, "Branch Processor Instructions" on page 19.
- BT (6:10)**
Field used to specify a bit in the CR or in the FPSCR as the target of the result of an instruction.
- D (16:31)**
Immediate field specifying a 16-bit signed two's complement integer which is sign-extended to 64 bits.
- DS (16:29)**
Immediate field specifying a 14-bit signed two's complement integer which is concatenated on the right with 0b00 and sign-extended to 64 bits. This field is defined in 64-bit implementations only.
- FLM (7:14)**
Field mask used to identify the FPSCR fields that are to be updated by the *mtfsf* instruction.
- FRA (11:15)**
Field used to specify an FPR as a source of an operation.
- FRB (16:20)**
Field used to specify an FPR as a source of an operation.
- FRC (21:25)**
Field used to specify an FPR as a source of an operation.
- FRS (6:10)**
Field used to specify an FPR as a source of an operation.
- FRT (6:10)**
Field used to specify an FPR as the target of an operation.
- FXM (12:19)**
Field mask used to identify the CR fields that are to be updated by the *mtcrf* instruction.
- L (10)**
Field used to specify whether a Fixed-Point *Compare* instruction is to compare 64-bit numbers or 32-bit numbers. This field is defined in 64-bit implementations only.
- LI (6:29)**
Immediate field specifying a 24-bit signed two's complement integer which is concatenated on the right with 0b00 and sign-extended to 64 bits.
- LK (31)**
LINK bit.
- 0 Do not set the Link Register.
- 1 Set the Link Register. If the instruction is a *Branch* instruction, the address of the instruction following the *Branch* instruction is placed into the Link Register.
- MB (21:25) and ME (26:30)**
Fields used in M-form instructions to specify a 64-bit mask consisting of 1-bits from bit MB+32 through bit ME+32 inclusive, and 0-bits elsewhere, as described in Section 3.3.13, "Fixed-Point Rotate and Shift Instructions" on page 69.
- MB (21:26)**
Field used in MD-form and MDS-form instructions to specify the first 1-bit of a 64-bit mask, as described in Section 3.3.13, "Fixed-Point Rotate and Shift Instructions" on page 69. This field is defined in 64-bit implementations only.
- ME (21:26)**
Field used in MD-form and MDS-form instructions to specify the last 1-bit of a 64-bit mask, as described in Section 3.3.13, "Fixed-Point Rotate and Shift Instructions" on page 69. This field is defined in 64-bit implementations only.
- NB (16:20)**
Field used to specify the number of bytes to move in an immediate string load or store.
- OPCD (0:5)**
Primary opcode field.
- OE (21)**
Used for extended arithmetic to enable setting OV and SO in the XER.
- RA (11:15)**
Field used to specify a GPR to be used as a source or as a target.
- RB (16:20)**
Field used to specify a GPR to be used as a source.
- Rc (31)**
RECORD bit
- 0 Do not set the Condition Register.
- 1 Set the Condition Register to reflect the result of the operation.
- For fixed-point instructions, CR bits 0:3 are
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set to reflect the result as a signed quantity. The result as an unsigned quantity or a bit string can be deduced from the EQ bit.

For floating-point instructions, CR bits 4:7 are set to reflect Floating-Point Exception, Floating-Point Enabled Exception, Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception, and Floating-Point Overflow Exception.

RS (6:10)

Field used to specify a GPR to be used as a source.

RT (6:10)

Field used to specify a GPR to be used as a target.

SH (16:20, or 16:20 and 30)

Field used to specify a shift amount. Location 16:20 and 30 pertains to 64-bit implementations only.

SI (16:31)

Immediate field used to specify a 16-bit signed integer.

SPR (11:20)

Field used to specify a Special Purpose Register for the *mtspr* and *mfspr* instructions. The encoding is described in Section 3.3.14, "Move To/From System Register Instructions" on page 79.

SR (12:15)

See Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.

TBR (11:20)

See Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.

TO (6:10)

Field used to specify the conditions on which to trap. The encoding is described in Section 3.3.11, "Fixed-Point Trap Instructions" on page 61.

U (16:19)

Immediate field used as the data to be placed into a field in the FPSCR.

UI (16:31)

Immediate field used to specify a 16-bit unsigned integer.

XO (21:29, 21:30, 22:30, 26:30, 27:29, 27:30, 30, or 30:31)

Extended opcode field. Locations 21:29, 27:29, 27:30, and 30:31 pertain to 64-bit implementations only.

1.8 Classes of Instructions

An instruction falls into exactly one of the following three classes:

Defined
Illegal
Reserved

The class is determined by examining the opcode, and the extended opcode if any. If the opcode, or combination of opcode and extended opcode, is not that of a defined instruction nor of a reserved instruction, the instruction is illegal.

Some instructions are defined only for 64-bit implementations and a few are defined only for 32-bit implementations (see 1.8.2, "Illegal Instruction Class" on page 13). With the exception of these, a given instruction is in the same class for all implementations of the PowerPC Architecture. In future versions of this architecture, instructions that are now illegal may become defined (by being added to the architecture) or reserved (by being assigned to one of the special purposes described in Appendix J, "Reserved Instructions" on page 265). Similarly, instructions that are now reserved may become defined.

The results of attempting to execute a given instruction are said to be *boundedly undefined* if they could have been achieved by executing an arbitrary sequence of defined instructions, in valid form (see below), starting in the state the machine was in before attempting to execute the given instruction. Boundedly undefined results for a given instruction may vary between implementations, and between execution attempts in the same implementation, and are not further defined in this document.

1.8.1 Defined Instruction Class

This class of instructions contains all the instructions defined in the PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture, PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture, and PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture.

Defined instructions are guaranteed to be supported in all implementations, except as stated in the instruction descriptions. (The exceptions are instructions that are supported only in 64-bit implementations or only in 32-bit implementations.)

A defined instruction can have preferred and/or invalid forms, as described in Section 1.9.1, "Preferred Instruction Forms" on page 13, and Section 1.9.2, "Invalid Instruction Forms" on page 13.

1.8.2 Illegal Instruction Class

This class of instructions contains the set of instructions described in Appendix I, “Illegal Instructions” on page 263. For 64-bit implementations this class includes all instructions that are defined only for 32-bit implementations. For 32-bit implementations it includes all instructions that are defined only for 64-bit implementations.

Excluding instructions that are defined for one type of implementation but not the other, illegal instructions are available for future extensions of the PowerPC Architecture: that is, some future version of the PowerPC Architecture may define any of these instructions to perform new functions.

Any attempt to execute an illegal instruction will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked and will have no other effect.

An instruction consisting entirely of binary 0’s is guaranteed always to be an illegal instruction. This increases the probability that an attempt to execute data or uninitialized storage will result in the invocation of the system illegal instruction error handler.

1.8.3 Reserved Instruction Class

This class of instructions contains the set of instructions described in Appendix J, “Reserved Instructions” on page 265.

Reserved instructions are allocated to specific purposes that are outside the scope of the PowerPC Architecture.

Any attempt to execute a reserved instruction will either cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked or will yield boundedly undefined results.

1.9 Forms of Defined Instructions

1.9.1 Preferred Instruction Forms

Some of the defined instructions have preferred forms. For such an instruction, the preferred form will execute in an efficient manner, but any other form may take significantly longer to execute than the preferred form.

Instructions having preferred forms are:

- the *Load/Store Multiple* instructions
- the *Load/Store String* instructions

- the *Or Immediate* instruction (preferred form of no-op)

1.9.2 Invalid Instruction Forms

Some of the defined instructions have invalid forms. An instruction form is invalid if one or more fields of the instruction, excluding the opcode field(s), are coded incorrectly.

Any attempt to execute an invalid form of an instruction will either cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked or will yield boundedly undefined results. Exceptions to this rule are stated in the instruction descriptions.

Some kinds of invalid form can be deduced from the instruction layout. These are listed below.

- Field shown as ‘/’(s) but coded as non-zero.
- Field shown as containing a particular value but coded as some other value.

These invalid forms are not discussed further.

Instructions having invalid forms that cannot be so deduced are listed below. For these, the invalid forms are identified in the instruction descriptions.

- the *Branch Conditional* instructions
- the *Load/Store with Update* instructions
- the *Load Multiple* instructions
- the *Load String* instructions
- the *Fixed-Point Compare* instructions (invalid form exists only in 32-bit implementations)
- *Move To/From Special Purpose Register (mfspr, mtspr)*
- the *Load/Store Floating-Point with Update* instructions

Assembler Note

To the extent possible, the Assembler should report uses of invalid instruction forms as errors.

1.9.3 Optional Instructions

Some of the defined instructions are optional. The optional instructions are defined in Appendix A, “Optional Instructions” on page 207, and also in the section entitled “Lookaside Buffer Management Instructions (Optional)” and the appendix entitled “Optional Facilities and Instructions” of Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141.

Any attempt to execute an optional instruction that is not provided by the implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Exceptions to this rule are stated in the instruction descriptions.

1.10 Exceptions

There are two kinds of exception, those caused directly by the execution of an instruction and those caused by an asynchronous event. In either case, the exception may cause one of several components of the system software to be invoked.

The exceptions that can be caused directly by the execution of an instruction include the following.

- an attempt to execute an illegal instruction, or an attempt by an application program to execute a “privileged” instruction (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141) (system illegal instruction error handler or system privileged instruction error handler)
- the execution of a defined instruction using an invalid form (system illegal instruction error handler or system privileged instruction error handler)
- the execution of an optional instruction that is not provided by the implementation (system illegal instruction error handler)
- an attempt to access a storage location that is unavailable (system error handler)
- an attempt to access storage with an effective address alignment that is invalid for the instruction (system alignment error handler)
- the execution of a *System Call* instruction (system service program)
- the execution of a *Trap* instruction that traps (system trap handler)
- the execution of a floating-point instruction when floating-point instructions are unavailable (system floating-point unavailable error handler)
- the execution of a floating-point instruction that causes a floating-point exception that is enabled (system floating-point enabled exception error handler)
- the execution of a floating-point instruction that requires system software assistance (system floating-point assist error handler; the conditions under which such software assistance is required are implementation-dependent)

The exceptions that can be caused by an asynchronous event are described in Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141.

The invocation of the system error handler is precise, except that if one of the imprecise modes for invoking the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is in effect (see page 92) then the invocation of the system floating-point enabled exception error handler may be imprecise. When the system error handler is invoked imprecisely, the excepting instruction does not appear to complete before the next instruction starts (because one of the effects of the excepting instruction, namely the invocation of the system error handler, has not yet occurred).

Additional information about exception handling can be found in Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141.

1.11 Storage Addressing

A program references storage using the effective address computed by the processor when it executes a *Storage Access* or *Branch* instruction (or certain other instructions described in Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117, and Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141), or when it fetches the next sequential instruction.

1.11.1 Storage Operands

Bytes in storage are numbered consecutively starting with 0. Each number is the address of the corresponding byte.

Storage operands may be bytes, halfwords, words, or doublewords, or, for the *Load/Store Multiple* and *Move Assist* instructions, a sequence of bytes or words. The address of a storage operand is the address of its first byte (i.e., of its lowest-numbered byte). Byte ordering is Big-Endian by default, but PowerPC can be operated in a mode in which byte ordering is Little-Endian. See Appendix D, “Little-Endian Byte Ordering” on page 233.

Operand length is implicit for each instruction.

The operand of a single-register *Storage Access* instruction has a “natural” alignment boundary equal to the operand length. In other words, the “natural” address of an operand is an integral multiple of the operand length. A storage operand is said to be “aligned” if it is aligned at its natural boundary; otherwise it is said to be “unaligned.”

Storage operands for single-register *Storage Access* instructions have the following characteristics. (Although not permitted as storage operands, quadwords are shown because quadword alignment is desirable for certain storage operands.)

| Operand | Length | Addr _{60:63} if aligned |
|------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| Byte | 8 bits | xxxx |
| Halfword | 2 bytes | xxx0 |
| Word | 4 bytes | xx00 |
| Doubleword | 8 bytes | x000 |
| Quadword | 16 bytes | 0000 |

Note: An “x” in an address bit position indicates that the bit can be 0 or 1 independent of the state of other bits in the address.

The concept of alignment is also applied more generally, to any datum in storage. For example, a 12-byte datum in storage is said to be word-aligned if its address is an integral multiple of 4.

Some instructions require their storage operands to have certain alignments. In addition, alignment may affect performance. For single-register *Storage Access* instructions the best performance is obtained when storage operands are aligned. Additional effects of data placement on performance are described in Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117.

Instructions are always four bytes long and word-aligned.

1.11.2 Effective Address Calculation

The 64- or 32-bit address computed by the processor when executing a *Storage Access* or *Branch* instruction (or certain other instructions described in Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117, and Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141), or when fetching the next sequential instruction, is called the “effective address,” and specifies a byte in storage. For a *Storage Access* instruction, if the sum of the effective address and the operand length exceeds the maximum effective address, the storage operand is considered to wrap around from the maximum effective address to effective address 0, as described below.

Effective address computations, for both data and instruction accesses, use 64{32}-bit unsigned binary arithmetic regardless of mode. A carry from bit 0 is ignored. In a 64-bit implementation, the 64-bit current instruction address and next instruction address are not affected by a change from 32-bit mode to 64-bit mode, but they are affected by a change from 64-bit mode to 32-bit mode (the high-order 32 bits are set to 0).

In 64-bit mode, the entire 64-bit result comprises the 64-bit effective address. The effective address arithmetic wraps around from the maximum address, $2^{64}-1$, to address 0.

In 32-bit mode, the low-order 32 bits of the 64-bit result comprise the effective address for the purpose of addressing storage. The high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit effective address are ignored for the purpose of accessing data, but are included whenever a 64-bit effective address is placed into a GPR by *Load with Update* and *Store with Update* instructions. The high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit effective address are set to 0 for the purpose of fetching instructions, and whenever a 64-bit effective address is placed into the Link Register by *Branch* instructions having LK=1. The high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit effective address are set to 0 in Special Purpose Registers when the system error handler is invoked. As used to address storage, the effective address arithmetic appears to wrap around from the maximum address, $2^{32}-1$, to address 0.

A zero in the RA field indicates the absence of the corresponding address component. For the absent component, a value of zero is used for the address. This is shown in the instruction descriptions as (RA)0.

In both 64-bit and 32-bit modes, the calculated Effective Address may be modified in its three low-order bits before accessing storage if the PowerPC system is operating in Little-Endian mode. See Appendix D, “Little-Endian Byte Ordering” on page 233.

Effective addresses are computed as follows. In the descriptions below, it should be understood that “the contents of a GPR” refers to the entire 64-bit contents, independent of mode, but that in 32-bit mode, only bits 32:63 of the 64-bit result of the computation are used to address storage.

- With X-form instructions, in computing the effective address of a data element, the contents of the GPR designated by RB is added to the contents of the GPR designated by RA or to zero if RA=0.
- With D-form instructions, the 16-bit D field is sign-extended to form a 64-bit address component. In computing the effective address of a data element, this address component is added to the contents of the GPR designated by RA or to zero if RA=0.
- With DS-form instructions, the 14-bit DS field is concatenated on the right with 0b00 and sign-extended to form a 64-bit address component. In computing the effective address of a data element, this address component is added to the contents of the GPR designated by RA or to zero if RA=0.
- With I-form *Branch* instructions, the 24-bit LI field is concatenated on the right with 0b00 and sign-extended to form a 64-bit address component. If AA=0, this address component is added to the address of the branch instruction to form the effective address of the next instruction. If

AA=1, this address component is the effective address of the next instruction.

- With B-form *Branch* instructions, the 14-bit BD field is concatenated on the right with 0b00 and sign-extended to form a 64-bit address component. If AA=0, this address component is added to the address of the branch instruction to form the effective address of the next instruction. If

AA=1, this address component is the effective address of the next instruction.

- With XL-form *Branch* instructions, bits 0:61 of the Link Register or the Count Register are concatenated on the right with 0b00 to form the effective address of the next instruction.
- With sequential instruction fetching, the value 4 is added to the address of the current instruction to form the effective address of the next instruction.

Chapter 2. Branch Processor

2.1 Branch Processor Overview

This chapter describes the registers and instructions that make up the Branch Processor facilities. Section 2.3, “Branch Processor Registers” on page 17 describes the registers associated with the Branch Processor. Section 2.4, “Branch Processor Instructions” on page 19 describes the instructions associated with the Branch Processor.

2.2 Instruction Fetching

In general, instructions appear to execute sequentially, in the order in which they appear in storage. The exceptions to this rule are listed below.

- *Branch* instructions for which the branch is taken cause execution to continue at the target address generated by the *Branch* instruction.
- *Trap* and *System Call* instructions cause the appropriate system handler to be invoked.
- Exceptions can cause the system error handler to be invoked, as described in Section 1.10, “Exceptions” on page 14.
- The *Return From Interrupt* instruction, described in “Return From Interrupt XL-form” on page 150, causes execution to continue at the address contained in a Special Purpose Register.

In general, each instruction appears to complete before the next instruction starts. The only exceptions to this rule arise when the system error handler is invoked imprecisely, as described in Section 1.10, “Exceptions” on page 14, or when certain special registers are altered, as described in the appendix entitled “Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers” in Appendix L, “Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers” on page 275. None of these special registers can be altered by an application program.

Programming Note

CAUTION

Implementations are allowed to prefetch any number of instructions before the instructions are actually executed. If a program modifies the instructions it intends to execute, it should call a system library program to ensure that the modifications have been made visible to the instruction fetching mechanism prior to attempting to execute the modified instructions.

2.3 Branch Processor Registers

2.3.1 Condition Register

The Condition Register (CR) is a 32-bit register which reflects the result of certain operations, and provides a mechanism for testing (and branching).

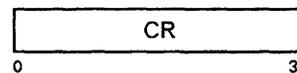


Figure 18. Condition Register

The bits in the Condition Register are grouped into eight 4-bit fields, named CR Field 0 (CR0), ..., CR Field 7 (CR7), which are set in one of the following ways:

- Specified fields of the CR can be set by a move to the CR from a GPR (*mtcrf*).
- A specified field of the CR can be set by a move to the CR from another CR field (*mcrf*), from the XER (*mcrxr*), or from the FPSCR (*mcrfs*).
- CR Field 0 can be set as the implicit result of a fixed-point operation.
- CR Field 1 can be set as the implicit result of a floating-point operation.
- A specified CR field can be set as the result of either a fixed-point or a floating-point *Compare* instruction.

Instructions are provided to perform logical operations on individual CR bits, and to test individual CR bits.

When $Rc=1$ in most fixed-point instructions, the first three bits of CR Field 0 (bits 0:2 of the Condition Register) are set by an algebraic comparison of the result (the low-order 32 bits of the result in 32-bit mode) to zero, and the fourth bit of CR Field 0 (bit 3 of the Condition Register) is copied from the SO field of the XER. *addc.*, *andi.*, and *andis.* set these four bits implicitly. These bits are interpreted as follows. As used below, “result” refers to the entire 64-bit value placed into the target register in 64-bit mode, and to bits 32:63 of the 64-bit value placed into the target register in 32-bit mode. If any portion of the result is undefined, then the value placed into the first three bits of CR Field 0 is undefined.

Bit Description

- 0 **Negative (LT)**
The result is negative.
- 1 **Positive (GT)**
The result is positive.
- 2 **Zero (EQ)**
The result is zero.
- 3 **Summary Overflow (SO)**
This is a copy of the final state of XER_{SO} at the completion of the instruction.

Programming Note

CR Field 0 may not reflect the “true” (infinitely precise) result if overflow occurs: see Section 3.3.9, “Fixed-Point Arithmetic Instructions” on page 50.

When $Rc=1$ in all floating-point instructions, CR Field 1 (bits 4:7 of the Condition Register) is set to the Floating-Point exception status, copied from bits 0:3 of the Floating-Point Status and Control Register. These bits are interpreted as follows.

Bit Description

- 4 **Floating-Point Exception (FX)**
This is a copy of the final state of $FPSCR_{FX}$ at the completion of the instruction.
- 5 **Floating-Point Enabled Exception (FEX)**
This is a copy of the final state of $FPSCR_{FEX}$ at the completion of the instruction.
- 6 **Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception (VX)**
This is a copy of the final state of $FPSCR_{VX}$ at the completion of the instruction.
- 7 **Floating-Point Overflow Exception (OX)**
This is a copy of the final state of $FPSCR_{OX}$ at the completion of the instruction.

When a specified CR field is set by a *Compare* instruction, the bits of the specified field are interpreted as follows.

Bit Description

- 0 **Less Than, Floating-Point Less Than (LT, FL)**
For fixed-point *Compare* instructions, $(RA) < SI$, UI , or (RB) (algebraic comparison) or $(RA) \leq SI$, UI , or (RB) (logical comparison). For floating-point *Compare* instructions, $(FRA) < (FRB)$.
- 1 **Greater Than, Floating-Point Greater Than (GT, FG)**
For fixed-point *Compare* instructions, $(RA) > SI$, UI , or (RB) (algebraic comparison) or $(RA) \geq SI$, UI , or (RB) (logical comparison). For floating-point *Compare* instructions, $(FRA) > (FRB)$.
- 2 **Equal, Floating-Point Equal (EQ, FE)**
For fixed-point *Compare* instructions, $(RA) = SI$, UI , or (RB) . For floating-point *Compare* instructions, $(FRA) = (FRB)$.
- 3 **Summary Overflow, Floating-Point Unordered (SO, FU)**
For fixed-point *Compare* instructions, this is a copy of the final state of XER_{SO} at the completion of the instruction. For floating-point *Compare* instructions, one or both of (FRA) and (FRB) is a NaN.

2.3.2 Link Register

The Link Register (LR) is a 64-bit register. It can be used to provide the branch target address for the *Branch Conditional to Link Register* instruction, and it holds the return address after *Branch and Link* instructions.

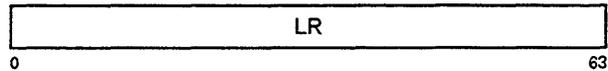


Figure 19. Link Register

2.3.3 Count Register

The Count Register (CTR) is a 64-bit register. It can be used to hold a loop count that can be decremented during execution of *Branch* instructions that contain an appropriately coded BO field. If the value in the Count Register is 0 before being decremented, it is -1 afterward. The Count Register can also be used to provide the branch target address for the *Branch Conditional to Count Register* instruction.

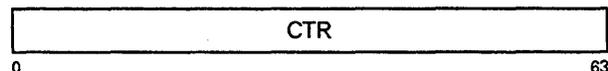


Figure 20. Count Register

2.4 Branch Processor Instructions

2.4.1 Branch Instructions

The sequence of instruction execution can be changed by the *Branch* instructions. Because all instructions are on word boundaries, bits 62 and 63 of the generated branch target address are ignored by the processor in performing the branch.

The *Branch* instructions compute the effective address (EA) of the target in one of the following four ways, as described in Section 1.11.2, “Effective Address Calculation” on page 15.

1. Adding a displacement to the address of the branch instruction (*Branch* or *Branch Conditional* with $AA=0$).
2. Specifying an absolute address (*Branch* or *Branch Conditional* with $AA=1$).
3. Using the address contained in the Link Register (*Branch Conditional to Link Register*).
4. Using the address contained in the Count Register (*Branch Conditional to Count Register*).

In all four cases, in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations, the final step in the address computation is setting the high-order 32 bits of the target address to 0.

For the first two methods, the target addresses can be computed sufficiently ahead of the branch instruction that instructions can be prefetched along the target path. For the third and fourth methods, prefetching instructions along the target path is also possible provided the Link Register or the Count Register is loaded sufficiently ahead of the branch instruction.

Branching can be conditional or unconditional, and the return address can optionally be provided. If the return address is to be provided ($LK=1$), the effective address of the instruction following the branch instruction is placed into the Link Register after the branch target address has been computed: this is done whether or not the branch is taken.

In *Branch Conditional* instructions, the BO field specifies the conditions under which the branch is taken. The first four bits of the BO field specify how the branch is affected by or affects the Condition Register and the Count Register. The fifth bit, shown below as having the value “y,” may be used by some implementations as described below.

The encoding for the BO field is as follows. Here $M=32$ in 32-bit mode and $M=0$ in 64-bit mode. If the BO field specifies that the CTR is to be decremented, the entire 64-bit CTR is decremented regardless of the mode.

| BO | Description |
|-------|---|
| 0000y | Decrement the CTR, then branch if the decremented $CTR_{M:63} \neq 0$ and the condition is FALSE. |
| 0001y | Decrement the CTR, then branch if the decremented $CTR_{M:63} = 0$ and the condition is FALSE. |
| 001zy | Branch if the condition is FALSE. |
| 0100y | Decrement the CTR, then branch if the decremented $CTR_{M:63} \neq 0$ and the condition is TRUE. |
| 0101y | Decrement the CTR, then branch if the decremented $CTR_{M:63} = 0$ and the condition is TRUE. |
| 011zy | Branch if the condition is TRUE. |
| 1z00y | Decrement the CTR, then branch if the decremented $CTR_{M:63} \neq 0$. |
| 1z01y | Decrement the CTR, then branch if the decremented $CTR_{M:63} = 0$. |
| 1z1zz | Branch always. |

Above, “z” denotes a bit that must be zero: if it is not zero the instruction form is invalid.

The “y” bit provides a hint about whether a conditional branch is likely to be taken, and may be used by some implementations to improve performance.

The “branch always” encoding of the BO field does not have a “y” bit.

For *Branch Conditional* instructions that have a “y” bit, using $y=0$ indicates that the following behavior is likely.

- If the instruction is $bc[f][a]$ with a negative value in the displacement field, the branch is taken.
- In all other cases ($bc[f][a]$ with a non-negative value in the displacement field, $bclr[f]$, or $bcctr[f]$), the branch falls through (is not taken).

Using $y=1$ reverses the preceding indications.

The displacement field is used as described above even if the target is an absolute address.

Programming Note

The default value for the “y” bit should be 0: the value 1 should be used only if software has determined that the prediction corresponding to y=1 is more likely to be correct than the prediction corresponding to y=0.

Extended mnemonics for branches

Many extended mnemonics are provided so that *Branch Conditional* instructions can be coded with the condition as part of the instruction mnemonic rather than as a numeric operand. Some of these are shown as examples with the *Branch* instructions. See Appendix C, “Assembler Extended Mnemonics” on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

Programming Note

In some implementations the processor may keep a stack of the Link Register values most recently set by *Branch and Link* instructions, with the possible exception of the form shown below for obtaining the address of the next instruction. To benefit from this stack, the following programming conventions should be used.

Let A, B, and Glue be programs.

- Obtaining the address of the next instruction:
Use the following form of *Branch and Link*.
`bc1 20,31,$+4`
- Loop counts:
Keep them in the Count Register, and use one of the *Branch Conditional* instructions to decrement the count and to control branching (e.g., branching back to the start of a loop if the decremented counter value is non-zero).
- Computed goto's, case statements, etc.:
Use the Count Register to hold the address to branch to, and use the *bcctr* instruction (LK=0) to branch to the selected address.
- Direct subroutine linkage:
Here A calls B and B returns to A. The two branches should be as follows.
 - A calls B: use a *Branch* instruction that sets the Link Register (LK=1).
 - B returns to A: use the *bclr* instruction (LK=0) (the return address is in, or can be restored to, the Link Register).
- Indirect subroutine linkage:
Here A calls Glue, Glue calls B, and B returns to A rather than to Glue. (Such a calling sequence is common in linkage code used when the subroutine that the programmer wants to call, here B, is in a different module from the caller: the Binder inserts “glue” code to mediate the branch.) The three branches should be as follows.
 - A calls Glue: use a *Branch* instruction that sets the Link Register (LK=1).
 - Glue calls B: place the address of B in the Count Register, and use the *bcctr* instruction (LK=0).
 - B returns to A: use the *bclr* instruction (LK=0) (the return address is in, or can be restored to, the Link Register).

Branch I-form

| | | |
|-----|-------------|-------------|
| b | target_addr | (AA=0 LK=0) |
| ba | target_addr | (AA=1 LK=0) |
| bl | target_addr | (AA=0 LK=1) |
| bla | target_addr | (AA=1 LK=1) |

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 18 | LI | AA | LK |
| 0 | 6 | 30 | 31 |

if AA then NIA \leftarrow_{iea} EXTS(LI || 0b00)
 else NIA \leftarrow_{iea} CIA + EXTS(LI || 0b00)
 if LK then LR \leftarrow_{iea} CIA + 4

target_addr specifies the branch target address.

If AA=0 then the branch target address is the sum of LI || 0b00 sign-extended and the address of this instruction, with the high-order 32 bits of the branch target address set to 0 in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations.

If AA=1 then the branch target address is the value LI || 0b00 sign-extended, with the high-order 32 bits of the branch target address set to 0 in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations.

If LK=1 then the effective address of the instruction following the *Branch* instruction is placed into the Link Register.

Special Registers Altered:

LR (if LK=1)

Branch Conditional B-form

| | | |
|------|---------------------|-------------|
| bc | BO, BI, target_addr | (AA=0 LK=0) |
| bca | BO, BI, target_addr | (AA=1 LK=0) |
| bcl | BO, BI, target_addr | (AA=0 LK=1) |
| bcla | BO, BI, target_addr | (AA=1 LK=1) |

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 16 | BO | BI | BD | AA | LK |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 | 31 |

if (64-bit implementation) & (64-bit mode)
 then M \leftarrow 0
 else M \leftarrow 32
 if $\neg BO_2$ then CTR \leftarrow CTR - 1
 ctr_ok \leftarrow $BO_2 \mid ((CTR_{M:63} \neq 0) \oplus BO_3)$
 cond_ok \leftarrow $BO_0 \mid (CR_{BI} \equiv BO_1)$
 if ctr_ok & cond_ok then
 if AA then NIA \leftarrow_{iea} EXTS(BD || 0b00)
 else NIA \leftarrow_{iea} CIA + EXTS(BD || 0b00)
 if LK then LR \leftarrow_{iea} CIA + 4

The BI field specifies the bit in the Condition Register to be used as the condition of the branch. The BO field is used as described above. *target_addr* specifies the branch target address.

If AA=0 then the branch target address is the sum of BD || 0b00 sign-extended and the address of this instruction, with the high-order 32 bits of the branch target address set to 0 in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations.

If AA=1 then the branch target address is the value BD || 0b00 sign-extended, with the high-order 32 bits of the branch target address set to 0 in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations.

If LK=1 then the effective address of the instruction following the *Branch* instruction is placed into the Link Register.

Special Registers Altered:

CTR (if $BO_2=0$)
 LR (if LK=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Branch Conditional*:

| Extended: | Equivalent to: |
|----------------|----------------|
| blt target | bc 12,0,target |
| bne cr2,target | bc 4,10,target |
| bdnz target | bc 16,0,target |

Branch Conditional to Link Register XL-form

bclr BO,BI (LK=0)
bclrl BO,BI (LK=1)

[Power mnemonics: bcr, bcr1]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| 19 | BO | BI | /// | 16 | LK |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if (64-bit implementation) & (64-bit mode)
  then M ← 0
  else M ← 32
if -BO2 then CTR ← CTR - 1
ctr_ok ← BO2 | ((CTRM:63 ≠ 0) ⊕ BO3)
cond_ok ← BO0 | (CRBI ≡ BO1)
if ctr_ok & cond_ok then NIA ←iea LR0:61 || 0b00
if LK then LR ←iea CIA + 4
  
```

The BI field specifies the bit in the Condition Register to be used as the condition of the branch. The BO field is used as described above, and the branch target address is LR_{0:61} || 0b00, with the high-order 32 bits of the branch target address set to 0 in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations.

If LK=1 then the effective address of the instruction following the *Branch* instruction is placed into the Link Register.

Special Registers Altered:

CTR (if BO₂=0)
LR (if LK=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Branch Conditional To Link Register*:

| Extended: | Equivalent to: |
|-----------|----------------|
| btlr | bclr 12,0 |
| bnelr cr2 | bclr 4,10 |
| bdnzlr | bclr 16,0 |

Branch Conditional to Count Register XL-form

bcctr BO,BI (LK=0)
bcctrl BO,BI (LK=1)

[Power mnemonics: bcc, bccl]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 19 | BO | BI | /// | 528 | LK |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

cond_ok ← BO0 | (CRBI ≡ BO1)
if cond_ok then NIA ←iea CTR0:61 || 0b00
if LK then LR ←iea CIA + 4
  
```

The BI field specifies the bit in the Condition Register to be used as the condition of the branch. The BO field is used as described above, and the branch target address is CTR_{0:61} || 0b00, with the high-order 32 bits of the branch target address set to 0 in 32-bit mode of 64-bit implementations.

If LK=1 then the effective address of the instruction following the *Branch* instruction is placed into the Link Register.

If the "decrement and test CTR" option is specified (BO₂=0), the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:

LR (if LK=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Branch Conditional To Count Register*:

| Extended: | Equivalent to: |
|------------|----------------|
| bltctr | bcctr 12,0 |
| bnectr cr2 | bcctr 4,10 |

2.4.2 System Call Instruction

This instruction provides the means by which a program can call upon the system to perform a service.

System Call *SC-form*

sc

[Power mnemonic: svca]

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 17 | /// | /// | /// | 1 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 | 31 |

This instruction calls the system to perform a service. A complete description of this instruction can be found in "System Call *SC-form*" on page 150.

When control is returned to the program that executed the *System Call*, the content of the registers will depend on the register conventions used by the program providing the system service.

This instruction is context synchronizing, see "System Call *SC-form*" on page 150.

Special Registers Altered:

Dependent on the system service

Compatibility Note

For a discussion of Power compatibility with respect to instruction bits 16:29, please refer to Appendix G, "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" on page 257. For compatibility with future versions of this architecture, these bits should be coded as zero.

2.4.3 Condition Register Logical Instructions

Extended mnemonics for Condition Register logical operations

A set of extended mnemonics is provided that allow additional Condition Register logical operations,

beyond those provided by the basic *Condition Register Logical* instructions, to be coded easily. Some of these are shown as examples with the *CR Logical* instructions. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

Condition Register AND XL-form

crand BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 257 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$CR_{BT} \leftarrow CR_{BA} \& CR_{BB}$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is ANDed with the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:
CR

Condition Register OR XL-form

cror BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 449 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$CR_{BT} \leftarrow CR_{BA} | CR_{BB}$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is ORed with the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:
CR

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Condition Register OR*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| crmove Bx,By | cror Bx,By,By |

Condition Register XOR XL-form

crxor BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 193 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$CR_{BT} \leftarrow CR_{BA} \oplus CR_{BB}$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is XORed with the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:
CR

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Condition Register XOR*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| crclr Bx | crxor Bx,Bx,Bx |

Condition Register NAND XL-form

crnand BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 225 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$CR_{BT} \leftarrow \neg(CR_{BA} \& CR_{BB})$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is ANDed with the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the complemented result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:
CR

Condition Register NOR XL-form

crnor BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 33 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$CR_{BT} \leftarrow \neg(CR_{BA} \mid CR_{BB})$$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is ORed with the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the complemented result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Condition Register NOR*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| crnot Bx,By | crnor Bx,By,By |

Condition Register Equivalent XL-form

creqv BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 289 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$CR_{BT} \leftarrow CR_{BA} \oplus CR_{BB}$$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is XORed with the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the complemented result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Condition Register Equivalent*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| crset Bx | creqv Bx,Bx,Bx |

Condition Register AND With Complement XL-form

crandc BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 129 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$CR_{BT} \leftarrow CR_{BA} \& \neg CR_{BB}$$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is ANDed with the complement of the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR

Condition Register OR With Complement XL-form

crorc BT,BA,BB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 19 | BT | BA | BB | 417 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$CR_{BT} \leftarrow CR_{BA} \mid \neg CR_{BB}$$

The bit in the Condition Register specified by BA is ORed with the complement of the bit in the Condition Register specified by BB and the result is placed into the bit in the Condition Register specified by BT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR

2.4.4 Condition Register Field Instruction

Move Condition Register Field XL-form

mcrf BF,BFA

| | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|----|
| 19 | BF | // | BFA | // | /// | 0 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 14 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$CR_{4 \times BF:4 \times BF + 3} \leftarrow CR_{4 \times BFA:4 \times BFA + 3}$

The contents of Condition Register field BFA are copied into Condition Register field BF.

Special Registers Altered:

CR

Chapter 3. Fixed-Point Processor

3.1 Fixed-Point Processor Overview

This chapter describes the registers and instructions that make up the Fixed-Point Processor facility. Section 3.2, "Fixed-Point Processor Registers" on page 27 describes the registers associated with the Fixed-Point Processor. Section 3.3, "Fixed-Point Processor Instructions" on page 29 describes the instructions associated with the Fixed-Point Processor.

3.2 Fixed-Point Processor Registers

3.2.1 General Purpose Registers

All manipulation of information is done in registers internal to the Fixed-Point Processor. The principal storage internal to the Fixed-Point Processor is a set of 32 general purpose registers (GPRs). See Figure 21.

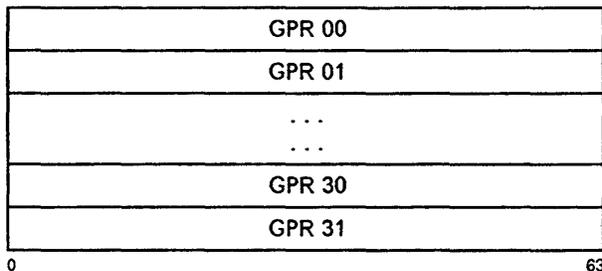


Figure 21. General Purpose Registers

Each GPR is a 64-bit register.

3.2.2 Fixed-Point Exception Register

The Fixed-Point Exception Register (XER) is a 32-bit register.

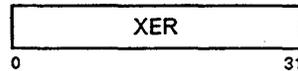


Figure 22. Fixed-Point Exception Register

The bit definitions for the Fixed-Point Exception Register are as shown below. Here $M=0$ in 64-bit mode and $M=32$ in 32-bit mode.

The bits are set based on the operation of an instruction considered as a whole, not on intermediate results (e.g., the *Subtract From Carrying* instruction, the result of which is specified as the sum of three values, sets bits in the Fixed-Point Exception Register based on the entire operation, not on an intermediate sum).

| Bit(s) | Description |
|--------|---|
| 0 | <p>Summary Overflow (SO)</p> <p>The Summary Overflow bit is set to one whenever an instruction (except <i>mtspr</i>) sets the Overflow bit to indicate overflow. Once set, the SO bit remains set until it is cleared by an <i>mtspr</i> instruction (specifying the XER) or an <i>mcrxr</i> instruction. It is not altered by <i>Compare</i> instructions, nor by other instructions (except <i>mtspr</i> to the XER, and <i>mcrxr</i>) that cannot overflow. Executing an <i>mtspr</i> instruction to the XER, supplying the values zero for SO and one for OV, causes SO to be set to zero and OV to be set to one.</p> |
| 1 | <p>Overflow (OV)</p> <p>The Overflow bit is set to indicate that an overflow has occurred during execution of an instruction. XO-form <i>Add</i> and <i>Subtract</i> instructions having $OE=1$ set it to one if the carry out of bit M is not equal to the carry out of bit $M+1$, and set it to zero otherwise. The OV bit is not altered by <i>Compare</i> instructions, nor by other instructions (except <i>mtspr</i> to the XER, and <i>mcrxr</i>) that cannot overflow.</p> |

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Carry (CA)

In general, the Carry bit is set to indicate that a carry out of bit *M* has occurred during execution of an instruction. *Add Carrying*, *Subtract From Carrying*, *Add Extended*, and *Subtract From Extended* instructions set it to one if there is a carry out of bit *M*, and set it to zero otherwise. However, *Shift Right Algebraic* instructions set the CA bit to indicate whether any '1' bits have been shifted out of a negative quantity. The CA bit is not altered by *Compare* instructions, nor by other instructions (except *Shift Right Algebraic*, *mtspr* to the XER, and *mcrxr*) that cannot carry.

3:24 Reserved

25:31 This field specifies the number of bytes to be transferred by a *Load String Indexed* or *Store String Indexed* instruction.

Compatibility Note

For a discussion of Power compatibility with respect to XER bits 16:23, please refer to Appendix G, "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" on page 257. For compatibility with future versions of this architecture, these bits should be set to zero.

3.3 Fixed-Point Processor Instructions

This section describes the instructions executed by the Fixed-Point processor.

3.3.1 Storage Access Instructions

The *Storage Access* instructions compute the effective address (EA) of the storage to be accessed as described in Section 1.11.2, "Effective Address Calculation" on page 15.

The order of bytes accessed by halfword, word, and doubleword loads and stores is Big-Endian, unless Little-Endian storage ordering is selected as described in Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235.

Programming Note

The "la" extended mnemonic permits computing an Effective Address as a *Load* or *Store* instruction would, but loads the address itself into a GPR rather than loading the value that is in storage at that address. This extended mnemonic is described in "Load Address" on page 234.

3.3.1.1 Storage Access Exceptions

Storage accesses will cause the system error handler to be invoked if the program is not allowed to modify the target storage (*Store* only), or if the program attempts to access storage that is unavailable.

3.3.2 Fixed-Point Load Instructions

The byte, halfword, word, or doubleword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into register RT.

Byte order of PowerPC is Big-Endian by default; see Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235 for PowerPC systems operated with Little-Endian byte ordering.

Many of the *Load* instructions have an "update" form, in which register RA is updated with the effective address. For these forms, if $RA \neq 0$ and $RA \neq RT$, the effective address is placed into register RA and the storage element (byte, halfword, word, or doubleword) addressed by EA is loaded into RT.

Programming Note

In some implementations, the *Load Algebraic* and *Load with Update* instructions may have greater latency than other types of *Load* instructions. Moreover, *Load with Update* instructions may take longer to execute in some implementations than the corresponding pair of a non-update *Load* instruction and an *Add* instruction.

Load Byte and Zero D-form

lbz RT,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 34 | RT | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + EXTS(D)
 RT ← ⁵⁶0 || MEM(EA, 1)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+D.
 The byte in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{56:63}. RT_{0:55} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Byte and Zero Indexed X-form

lbzx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 87 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 RT ← ⁵⁶0 || MEM(EA, 1)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The byte in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{56:63}. RT_{0:55} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Byte and Zero with Update D-form

lbzu RT,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 35 | RT | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
 RT ← ⁵⁶0 || MEM(EA, 1)
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+D.
 The byte in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{56:63}. RT_{0:55} are set to 0.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Byte and Zero with Update Indexed X-form

lbzux RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 119 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
 RT ← ⁵⁶0 || MEM(EA, 1)
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB).
 The byte in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{56:63}. RT_{0:55} are set to 0.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword and Zero D-form

lhz RT,D(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 40 | RT | RA | D | |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + EXTS(D)
 RT ← ⁴⁸0 || MEM(EA, 2)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+D. The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword and Zero Indexed X-form

lhzx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 279 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 RT ← ⁴⁸0 || MEM(EA, 2)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword and Zero with Update D-form

lhzu RT,D(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 41 | RT | RA | D | |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
 RT ← ⁴⁸0 || MEM(EA, 2)
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+D. The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are set to 0.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword and Zero with Update Indexed X-form

lhzux RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 311 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
 RT ← ⁴⁸0 || MEM(EA, 2)
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are set to 0.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword Algebraic D-form

lha RT,D(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 42 | RT | RA | D | |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + EXTS(D)
 RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 2))

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)0 + D. The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded halfword.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword Algebraic with Update D-form

lhau RT,D(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 43 | RT | RA | D | |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
 RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 2))
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + D. The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded halfword.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0 or RA = RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword Algebraic Indexed X-form

lhax RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 343 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 2))

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)0 + (RB). The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded halfword.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Halfword Algebraic with Update Indexed X-form

lhaux RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 375 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
 RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 2))
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + (RB). The halfword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{48:63}. RT_{0:47} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded halfword.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0 or RA = RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Load Word and Zero D-form

lwz RT,D(RA)

[Power mnemonic: l]

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 32 | RT | RA | D | |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(D)
RT ← ³²0 || MEM(EA, 4)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+D.
The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word and Zero with Update D-form

lwzu RT,D(RA)

[Power mnemonic: lu]

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 33 | RT | RA | D | |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
RT ← ³²0 || MEM(EA, 4)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+D.
The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are set to 0.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word and Zero Indexed X-form

lwzx RT,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: lx]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 23 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RT ← ³²0 || MEM(EA, 4)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word and Zero with Update Indexed X-form

lwzux RT,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: lux]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 55 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
RT ← ³²0 || MEM(EA, 4)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are set to 0.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word Algebraic DS-form

lwa RT,DS(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 58 | RT | RA | DS | 2 |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 31 |

```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else          b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(DS||0b00)
RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 4))
    
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(DS||0b00). The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded word.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word Algebraic Indexed X-form

lwax RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 341 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else          b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 4))
    
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded word.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word Algebraic with Update Indexed X-form

lwaux RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 373 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
RT ← EXTS(MEM(EA, 4))
RA ← EA
    
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are filled with a copy of bit 0 of the loaded word.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0 or RA=RT, the instruction form is invalid.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Doubleword DS-form

ld RT,DS(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 58 | RT | RA | DS | 0 |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(DS||0b00)
RT ← MEM(EA, 8)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(DS||0b00). The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Doubleword with Update DS-form

ldu RT,DS(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 58 | RT | RA | DS | 1 |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(DS||0b00)
RT ← MEM(EA, 8)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(DS||0b00). The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0 or RA = RT, the instruction form is invalid.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Doubleword Indexed X-form

ldx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 21 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RT ← MEM(EA, 8)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Doubleword with Update Indexed X-form

ldux RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 53 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
RT ← MEM(EA, 8)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0 or RA = RT, the instruction form is invalid.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

3.3.3 Fixed-Point Store Instructions

The contents of register RS is stored into the byte, halfword, word, or doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

Byte order of PowerPC is Big-Endian by default; see Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235 for PowerPC systems operated with Little-Endian byte ordering.

Many of the *Store* instructions have an "update" form, in which register RA is updated with the effective address. For these forms, the following rules apply.

- If $RA \neq 0$, the effective address is placed into register RA.
- If $RS = RA$, the contents of register RS is copied to the target storage element and then EA is placed into RA (RS).

Store Byte D-form

stb RS,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 38 | RS | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| 0 | | | 31 |

if $RA = 0$ then $b \leftarrow 0$
 else $b \leftarrow (RA)$
 $EA \leftarrow b + \text{EXTS}(D)$
 $\text{MEM}(EA, 1) \leftarrow (RS)_{56:63}$

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + D$. $(RS)_{56:63}$ is stored into the byte in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Byte Indexed X-form

stbx RS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 215 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if $RA = 0$ then $b \leftarrow 0$
 else $b \leftarrow (RA)$
 $EA \leftarrow b + (RB)$
 $\text{MEM}(EA, 1) \leftarrow (RS)_{56:63}$

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$. $(RS)_{56:63}$ is stored into the byte in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Byte with Update D-form

stbu RS,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 39 | RS | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| 0 | | | 31 |

$EA \leftarrow (RA) + \text{EXTS}(D)$
 $\text{MEM}(EA, 1) \leftarrow (RS)_{56:63}$
 $RA \leftarrow EA$

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA) + D$. $(RS)_{56:63}$ is stored into the byte in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If $RA = 0$, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Byte with Update Indexed X-form

stbux RS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 247 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$EA \leftarrow (RA) + (RB)$
 $\text{MEM}(EA, 1) \leftarrow (RS)_{56:63}$
 $RA \leftarrow EA$

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA) + (RB)$. $(RS)_{56:63}$ is stored into the byte in storage addressed by EA.

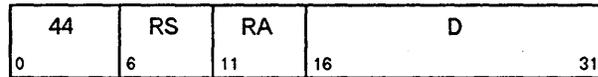
EA is placed into register RA.

If $RA = 0$, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Halfword D-form

sth RS,D(RA)



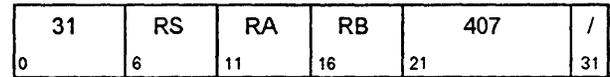
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + EXTS(D)
 MEM(EA, 2) ← (RS)_{48:63}

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+D. (RS)_{48:63} is stored into the halfword in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Halfword Indexed X-form

sthx RS,RA,RB



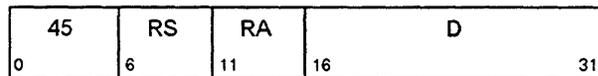
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 MEM(EA, 2) ← (RS)_{48:63}

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). (RS)_{48:63} is stored into the halfword in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Halfword with Update D-form

sthu RS,D(RA)



EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
 MEM(EA, 2) ← (RS)_{48:63}
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+D. (RS)_{48:63} is stored into the halfword in storage addressed by EA.

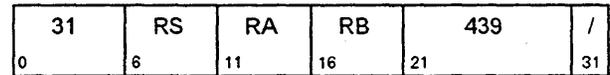
EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Halfword with Update Indexed X-form

sthux RS,RA,RB



EA ← (RA) + (RB)
 MEM(EA, 2) ← (RS)_{48:63}
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). (RS)_{48:63} is stored into the halfword in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

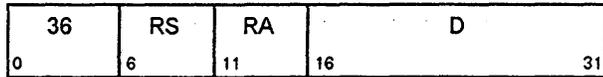
If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Word D-form

stw RS,D(RA)

[Power mnemonic: st]



if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(D)
MEM(EA, 4) ← (RS)_{32:63}

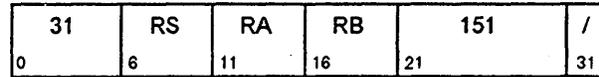
Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+D. (RS)_{32:63} is stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Word Indexed X-form

stwx RS,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: stx]



if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
MEM(EA, 4) ← (RS)_{32:63}

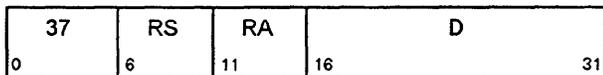
Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). (RS)_{32:63} is stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Word with Update D-form

stwu RS,D(RA)

[Power mnemonic: stw]



EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
MEM(EA, 4) ← (RS)_{32:63}
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+D. (RS)_{32:63} is stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

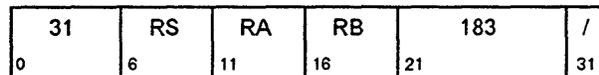
If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Word with Update Indexed X-form

stwux RS,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: stux]



EA ← (RA) + (RB)
MEM(EA, 4) ← (RS)_{32:63}
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). (RS)_{32:63} is stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Doubleword DS-form

std RS,DS(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 62 | RS | RA | DS | 0 |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(DS||0b00)
MEM(EA, 8) ← (RS)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(DS||0b00). (RS) is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Doubleword with Update DS-form

stdu RS,DS(RA)

| | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|
| 62 | RS | RA | DS | 1 |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(DS||0b00)
MEM(EA, 8) ← (RS)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(DS||0b00). (RS) is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Doubleword Indexed X-form

stdx RS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 149 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
MEM(EA, 8) ← (RS)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). (RS) is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Doubleword with Update Indexed X-form

stdux RS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 181 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
MEM(EA, 8) ← (RS)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+(RB). (RS) is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

3.3.4 Fixed-Point Load and Store with Byte Reversal Instructions

When used in a PowerPC system operating with Big-Endian byte order (the default), these instructions have the effect of loading and storing data in Little-Endian order. Likewise, when used in a PowerPC system operating with Little-Endian byte order, these instructions have the effect of loading and storing data in Big-Endian order. See Appendix D, "Little-

Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235 for a discussion of byte order.

Programming Note

In some implementations, the *Load Byte-Reverse* instructions may have greater latency than other *Load* instructions.

Load Halfword Byte-Reverse Indexed X-form

lhbrx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 790 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RT ← 480 || MEM(EA+1, 1) || MEM(EA, 1)
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). Bits 0:7 of the halfword in storage addressed by EA are loaded into RT_{56:63}. Bits 8:15 of the halfword in storage addressed by EA are loaded into RT_{48:55}. RT_{0:47} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Word Byte-Reverse Indexed X-form

lwbrx RT,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: lbrx]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 534 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RT ← 320 || MEM(EA+3, 1) || MEM(EA+2, 1)
      || MEM(EA+1, 1) || MEM(EA, 1)
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). Bits 0:7 of the word in storage addressed by EA are loaded into RT_{56:63}. Bits 8:15 of the word in storage addressed by EA are loaded into RT_{48:55}. Bits 16:23 of the word in storage addressed by EA are loaded into RT_{40:47}. Bits 24:31 of the word in storage addressed by EA are loaded into RT_{32:39}. RT_{0:31} are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Halfword Byte-Reverse Indexed X-form

sthbrx RS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 918 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 MEM(EA, 2) ← (RS)_{56:63} || (RS)_{48:55}

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). (RS)_{56:63} are stored into bits 0:7 of the halfword in storage addressed by EA. (RS)_{48:55} are stored into bits 8:15 of the halfword in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Word Byte-Reverse Indexed X-form

stwbrx RS,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: stbrx]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 662 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 MEM(EA, 4) ← (RS)_{56:63} || (RS)_{48:55} || (RS)_{40:47} || (RS)_{32:39}

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). (RS)_{56:63} are stored into bits 0:7 of the word in storage addressed by EA. (RS)_{48:55} are stored into bits 8:15 of the word in storage addressed by EA. (RS)_{40:47} are stored into bits 16:23 of the word in storage addressed by EA. (RS)_{32:39} are stored into bits 24:31 of the word in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

3.3.5 Fixed-Point Load and Store Multiple Instructions

The *Load/Store Multiple* instructions have preferred forms: see Section 1.9.1, “Preferred Instruction Forms” on page 13. In the preferred forms, storage alignment satisfies the following rule.

- The combination of the EA and RT (RS) is such that the low-order byte of GPR 31 is loaded (stored) from (into) the last byte of an aligned quadword in storage.

On PowerPC systems operating with Little-Endian byte order, execution of a *Load Multiple* or *Store Multiple* instruction causes the system alignment error handler

to be invoked. See Appendix D, “Little-Endian Byte Ordering” on page 235.

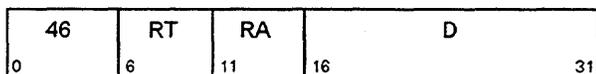
Compatibility Note

For a discussion of Power compatibility with respect to the alignment of the EA for the *Load Multiple Word* and *Store Multiple Word* instructions, please refer to Appendix G, “Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture” on page 257. For compatibility with future versions of this architecture, these EAs should be word-aligned.

Load Multiple Word D-form

lmw RT,D(RA)

[Power mnemonic: lm]



```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(D)
r ← RT
do while r ≤ 31
  GPR(r) ← 320 || MEM(EA, 4)
  r ← r + 1
  EA ← EA + 4
  
```

Let $n = (32-RT)$. Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + D$.

n consecutive words starting at EA are loaded into the low-order 32 bits of GPRs RT through 31. The high-order 32 bits of these GPRs are set to zero.

EA must be a multiple of 4. If it is not, the system alignment error handler may be invoked or the results may be boundedly undefined.

If RA is in the range of registers to be loaded or $RT=RA=0$, the instruction form is invalid.

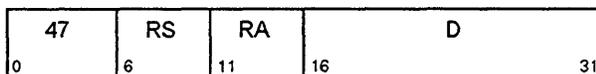
Special Registers Altered:

None

Store Multiple Word D-form

stmw RS,D(RA)

[Power mnemonic: stm]



```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(D)
r ← RS
do while r ≤ 31
  MEM(EA, 4) ← GPR(r)32:63
  r ← r + 1
  EA ← EA + 4
  
```

Let $n = (32-RS)$. Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + D$.

n consecutive words starting at EA are stored from the low-order 32 bits of GPRs RS through 31.

EA must be a multiple of 4. If it is not, the system alignment error handler may be invoked or the results may be boundedly undefined.

Special Registers Altered:

None

3.3.6 Fixed-Point Move Assist Instructions

The *Move Assist* instructions allow movement of data from storage to registers or from registers to storage without concern for alignment. These instructions can be used for a short move between arbitrary storage locations or to initiate a long move between unaligned storage fields.

Load/Store String Indexed instructions of zero length have no effect, except that *Load String Indexed* instructions of zero length may set register RT to an undefined value.

The *Load/Store String* instructions have preferred forms: see Section 1.9.1, "Preferred Instruction

Forms" on page 13. In the preferred forms, register usage satisfies the following rules.

- RS = 5
- RT = 5
- last register loaded/stored ≤ 12

On PowerPC systems operating with Little-Endian byte order, execution of a *Load/Store String* instruction causes the system alignment error handler to be invoked. See Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235.

Load String Word Immediate X-form

lswi RT,RA,NB

[Power mnemonic: lsi]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | NB | 597 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then EA ← 0
else EA ← (RA)
if NB = 0 then n ← 32
else n ← NB
r ← RT - 1
i ← 32
do while n > 0
  if i = 32 then
    r ← r + 1 (mod 32)
    GPR(r) ← 0
  GPR(r)i:i+7 ← MEM(EA, 1)
  i ← i + 8
  if i = 64 then i ← 32
  EA ← EA + 1
  n ← n - 1
```

Let the effective address (EA) be (RA|0). Let $n = NB$ if $NB \neq 0$, $n = 32$ if $NB = 0$; n is the number of bytes to load. Let $nr = \text{CEIL}(n \div 4)$; nr is the number of registers to receive data.

n consecutive bytes starting at EA are loaded into GPRs RT through $RT+nr-1$. Data is loaded into the low-order four bytes of each GPR; the high-order four bytes are set to 0.

Bytes are loaded left to right in each register. The sequence of registers wraps around to GPR 0 if required. If the low-order four bytes of register $RT+nr-1$ are only partially filled, the unfilled low-order byte(s) of that register are set to 0.

If RA is in the range of registers to be loaded or $RT=RA=0$, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Load String Word Indexed X-form

lswx RT,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: lsx]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 533 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
n ← XER25:31
r ← RT - 1
i ← 32
RT ← undefined
do while n > 0
  if i = 32 then
    r ← r + 1 (mod 32)
    GPR(r) ← 0
  GPR(r)i:i+7 ← MEM(EA, 1)
  i ← i + 8
  if i = 64 then i ← 32
  EA ← EA + 1
  n ← n - 1
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$. Let $n = XER_{25:31}$; n is the number of bytes to load. Let $nr = \text{CEIL}(n \div 4)$; nr is the number of registers to receive data.

If $n > 0$, n consecutive bytes starting at EA are loaded into GPRs RT through $RT+nr-1$. Data is loaded into the low-order four bytes of each GPR; the high-order four bytes are set to 0.

Bytes are loaded left to right in each register. The sequence of registers wraps around to GPR 0 if required. If the low-order four bytes of register $RT+nr-1$ are only partially filled, the unfilled low-order byte(s) of that register are set to 0.

If $n=0$, the content of register RT is undefined.

If RA or RB is in the range of registers to be loaded or $RT=RA=0$, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Store String Word Immediate X-form

stswi RS,RA,NB

[Power mnemonic: stsi]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | NB | 725 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if RA = 0 then EA ← 0
else      EA ← (RA)
if NB = 0 then n ← 32
else      n ← NB
r ← RS - 1
i ← 32
do while n > 0
  if i = 32 then r ← r + 1 (mod 32)
  MEM(EA, 1) ← GPR(r)i:i+7
  i ← i + 8
  if i = 64 then i ← 32
  EA ← EA + 1
  n ← n - 1

```

Let the effective address (EA) be $(RA|0)_j$. Let $n = NB$ if $NB \neq 0$, $n = 32$ if $NB = 0$: n is the number of bytes to store. Let $nr = \text{CEIL}(n \div 4)$: nr is the number of registers to supply data.

n consecutive bytes starting at EA are stored from GPRs RS through $RS + nr - 1$. Data is stored from the low-order four bytes of each GPR.

Bytes are stored left to right from each register. The sequence of registers wraps around to GPR 0 if required.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store String Word Indexed X-form

stswx RS,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: stsx]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 661 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
n ← XER25:31
r ← RS - 1
i ← 32
do while n > 0
  if i = 32 then r ← r + 1 (mod 32)
  MEM(EA, 1) ← GPR(r)i:i+7
  i ← i + 8
  if i = 64 then i ← 32
  EA ← EA + 1
  n ← n - 1

```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$. Let $n = \text{XER}_{25:31}$: n is the number of bytes to store. Let $nr = \text{CEIL}(n \div 4)$: nr is the number of registers to supply data.

n consecutive bytes starting at EA are stored from GPRs RS through $RS + nr - 1$. Data is stored from the low-order four bytes of each GPR.

Bytes are stored left to right from each register. The sequence of registers wraps around to GPR 0 if required.

Special Registers Altered:
None

3.3.7 Storage Synchronization Instructions

The *Storage Synchronization* instructions can be used to control the order in which storage operations are completed with respect to asynchronous events, and the order in which storage operations are seen by other processors and by other mechanisms that access storage. Additional information about these instructions, and about related aspects of storage management, can be found in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.

Programming Note

Because the *Storage Synchronization* instructions have implementation dependencies (e.g., the granularity at which reservations are managed), they must be used with care. The operating system should provide system library programs that use these instructions to implement the high-level synchronization functions (Test and Set, Compare and Swap, etc.) needed by application programs. Application programs should use these library programs, rather than use the *Storage Synchronization* instructions directly.

Load Word And Reserve Indexed X-form

lwarx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 20 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RESERVE ← 1
RESERVE_ADDR ← func(EA)
RT ← 320 || MEM(EA, 4)
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The word in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT_{32:63}. RT_{0:31} are set to 0.

This instruction creates a reservation for use by a *Store Word Conditional* instruction. An address computed from the EA is associated with the reservation, and replaces any address previously associated with the reservation: the manner in which the address to be associated with the reservation is computed from the EA is described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.

EA must be a multiple of 4. If it is not, the system alignment error handler may be invoked or the results may be boundedly undefined.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Doubleword And Reserve Indexed X-form

ldarx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 84 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
RESERVE ← 1
RESERVE_ADDR ← func(EA)
RT ← MEM(EA, 8)
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB). The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is loaded into RT.

This instruction creates a reservation for use by a *Store Doubleword Conditional* instruction. An address computed from the EA is associated with the reservation, and replaces any address previously associated with the reservation: the manner in which the address to be associated with the reservation is computed from the EA is described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.

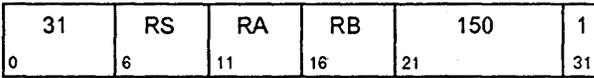
EA must be a multiple of 8. If it is not, the system alignment error handler may be invoked or the results may be boundedly undefined.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Word Conditional Indexed X-form

stwcx. RS,RA,RB



```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
if RESERVE then
    MEM(EA, 4) ← (RS)32:63
    RESERVE ← 0
    CR0 ← 0b00 || 0b1 || XERSO
else
    CR0 ← 0b00 || 0b0 || XERSO

```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

If a reservation exists, (RS)_{32:63} is stored into the word in storage addressed by EA and the reservation is cleared.

If a reservation does not exist, the instruction completes without altering storage.

CR Field 0 is set to reflect whether the store operation was performed (i.e., whether a reservation existed when the *stwcx.* instruction commenced execution), as follows.

$CR0_{LT\ GT\ EQ\ SO} = 0b00 \parallel \text{store_performed} \parallel XER_{SO}$

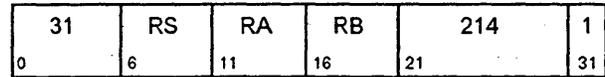
EA must be a multiple of 4. If it is not, the system alignment error handler may be invoked or the results may be boundedly undefined.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0

Store Doubleword Conditional Indexed X-form

stdcx. RS,RA,RB



```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
if RESERVE then
    MEM(EA, 8) ← (RS)
    RESERVE ← 0
    CR0 ← 0b00 || 0b1 || XERSO
else
    CR0 ← 0b00 || 0b0 || XERSO

```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

If a reservation exists, (RS) is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA and the reservation is cleared.

If a reservation does not exist, the instruction completes without altering storage.

CR Field 0 is set to reflect whether the store operation was performed (i.e., whether a reservation existed when the *stdcx.* instruction commenced execution), as follows.

$CR0_{LT\ GT\ EQ\ SO} = 0b00 \parallel \text{store_performed} \parallel XER_{SO}$

EA must be a multiple of 8. If it is not, the system alignment error handler may be invoked or the results may be boundedly undefined.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0

Programming Note

The granularity with which reservations are managed is implementation-dependent. Therefore the storage to be accessed by the *Load And Reserve* and *Store Conditional* instructions should be allocated by a system library program. Additional information can be found in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.

Programming Note

When correctly used, the *Load And Reserve* and *Store Conditional* instructions can provide an atomic update function for a single aligned word (*Load Word And Reserve* and *Store Word Conditional*) or doubleword (*Load Doubleword And Reserve* and *Store Doubleword Conditional*) of storage.

One of the requirements for correct use is that *Load Word And Reserve* be paired with *Store Word Conditional*, and *Load Doubleword And Reserve* with *Store Doubleword Conditional*, with the same effective address used for both instructions of the pair. Examples of correct uses of these instructions, to emulate primitives such as "Fetch and Add," "Test and Set," and "Compare and Swap," can be found in Appendix E.1, "Synchronization" on page 243.

At most one reservation exists on any given processor: there are not separate reservations for words and for doublewords.

The conditionality of the *Store Conditional* instruction's store is based only on whether a reservation exists, not on a match between the address associated with the reservation and the address computed from the EA of the *Store Conditional* instruction.

A reservation is cleared if any of the following events occurs.

- The processor holding the reservation executes another *Load And Reserve* instruction; this clears the first reservation and establishes a new one.
- The processor holding the reservation executes a *Store Conditional* instruction to any address.
- Another processor executes any *Store* instruction to the address associated with the reservation.
- Any mechanism, other than the processor holding the reservation, stores to the address associated with the reservation.

See Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, for additional information.

Synchronize X-form

sync

[Power mnemonic: dcs]

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | /// | 598 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

The *sync* instruction provides an ordering function for the effects of all instructions executed by a given processor. Executing a *sync* instruction ensures that all instructions previously initiated by the given processor appear to have completed before the *sync* instruction completes, and that no subsequent instructions are initiated by the given processor until after the *sync* instruction completes. When the *sync* instruction completes, all storage accesses initiated by the given processor prior to the *sync* will have been performed with respect to all other mechanisms that access storage. (See Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, for a more complete description. See also the section entitled "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141, for an exception involving TLB invalidates.)

This instruction is execution synchronizing (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141).

Special Registers Altered:

None

Programming Note

The *sync* instruction can be used to ensure that the results of all stores into a data structure, performed in a "critical section" of a program, are seen by other processors before the data structure is seen as unlocked.

The functions performed by the *sync* instruction will normally take a significant amount of time to complete, so indiscriminate use of this instruction may adversely affect performance. In addition, the time required to execute *sync* may vary from one execution to another.

The *Enforce In-order Execution of I/O (eieio)* instruction, described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, may be more appropriate than *sync* for cases in which the only requirement is to control the order in which storage references are seen by I/O devices.

3.3.8 Other Fixed-Point Instructions

The remainder of the fixed-point instructions use the content of the General Purpose Registers (GPRs) as source operands, and place results into GPRs, into the fixed-point Exception Register (XER), and into Condition Register fields. In addition, the *Trap* instructions compare the contents of one GPR with a second GPR or immediate data and, if the conditions are met, invoke the system trap handler.

These instructions treat the source operands as signed integers unless the instruction is explicitly identified as performing an unsigned operation.

The X-form and XO-form instructions with $R_c=1$, and the D-form instructions *addic.*, *andi.*, and *andis.*, set the first three bits of CR Field 0 to characterize the

result placed into the target register. In 64-bit mode, these bits are set as if the 64-bit result were compared algebraically to zero. In 32-bit mode, these bits are set as if the low-order 32 bits of the result were compared algebraically to zero.

Unless otherwise noted and when appropriate, when CR Field 0 and the XER are set they reflect the value placed in the target register.

Programming Note

Instructions with the OE bit set or which set CA may execute slowly or may prevent the execution of subsequent instructions until the operation is completed.

3.3.9 Fixed-Point Arithmetic Instructions

The XO-form *Arithmetic* instructions with $Rc=1$, and the D-form *Arithmetic* instruction *addic.*, set the first three bits of CR Field 0 as described in Section 3.3.8, "Other Fixed-Point Instructions" on page 49.

addic, *addic.*, *subfic*, *addc*, *subc*, *adde*, *subfe*, *addme*, *subme*, *addze*, and *subfze* always set CA, to reflect the carry out of bit 0 in 64-bit mode and out of bit 32 in 32-bit mode. With the exception of *mulld* and *mullw*, the XO-form *Arithmetic* instructions set SO and OV when $OE=1$, to reflect overflow of the 64-bit result in 64-bit mode and overflow of the low-order 32-bit result in 32-bit mode. *mulld* and *mullw* set SO and OV when $OE=1$, to reflect overflow of the 64-bit result for *mulld* and overflow of the low-order 32-bit result for *mullw*.

Programming Note

Notice that CR Field 0 may not reflect the "true" (infinitely precise) result if overflow occurs.

Extended mnemonics for addition and subtraction

Several extended mnemonics are provided that use the *Add Immediate* and *Add Immediate Shifted* instructions to load an immediate value or an address into a target register. Some of these are shown as examples with the two instructions.

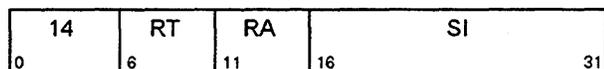
The PowerPC Architecture supplies *Subtract From* instructions, which subtract the second operand from the third. A set of extended mnemonics is provided that use the more "normal" order, in which the third operand is subtracted from the second, with the third operand being either an immediate field or a register. Some of these are shown as examples with the appropriate *Add* and *Subtract From* instructions.

See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

Add Immediate D-form

addi RT,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: cal]



if $RA = 0$ then $RT \leftarrow EXTS(SI)$
 else $RT \leftarrow (RA) + EXTS(SI)$

The sum $(RA|0) + SI$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Add Immediate*:

| | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | | <i>Equivalent to:</i> | |
| <i>li</i> | Rx,value | <i>addi</i> | Rx,0,value |
| <i>la</i> | Rx,disp(Ry) | <i>addi</i> | Rx,Ry,disp |
| <i>subi</i> | Rx,Ry,value | <i>addi</i> | Rx,Ry,-value |

Programming Note

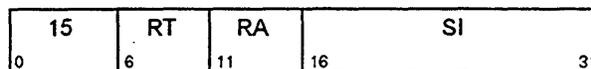
addi, *addis*, *add*, and *subf* are the preferred instructions for addition and subtraction, because they set few status bits.

Notice that *addi* and *addis* use the value 0, not the contents of GPR 0, if $RA=0$.

Add Immediate Shifted D-form

addis RT,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: cau]



if $RA = 0$ then $RT \leftarrow EXTS(SI \parallel 16_0)$
 else $RT \leftarrow (RA) + EXTS(SI \parallel 16_0)$

The sum $(RA|0) + (SI \parallel 0x0000)$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Add Immediate Shifted*:

| | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | | <i>Equivalent to:</i> | |
| <i>lis</i> | Rx,value | <i>addis</i> | Rx,0,value |
| <i>subis</i> | Rx,Ry,value | <i>addis</i> | Rx,Ry,-value |

Add XO-form

add RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=0)
 add. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=1)
 addo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=0)
 addo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=1)

[Power mnemonics: cax, cax., caxo, caxo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 266 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + (RB)$

The sum (RA) + (RB) is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if R_c=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Subtract From XO-form

subf RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=0)
 subf. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=1)
 subfo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=0)
 subfo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 40 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + (RB) + 1$

The sum $\neg(RA) + (RB) + 1$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if R_c=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Subtract From*:

Extended: sub Rx,Ry,Rz *Equivalent to:* subf Rx,Rz,Ry

Add Immediate Carrying D-form

addic RT,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: ai]

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 12 | RT | RA | SI |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + \text{EXTS}(SI)$

The sum (RA) + SI is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Add Immediate Carrying*:

Extended: subic Rx,Ry,value *Equivalent to:* addic Rx,Ry,-value

Add Immediate Carrying and Record D-form

addic. RT,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: ai.]

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 13 | RT | RA | SI |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + \text{EXTS}(SI)$

The sum (RA) + SI is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 CA

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Add Immediate Carrying and Record*:

Extended: subic. Rx,Ry,value *Equivalent to:* addic. Rx,Ry,-value

Subtract From Immediate Carrying D-form

subfic RT,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: sfi]

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 08 | RT | RA | SI |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + \text{EXTS}(SI) + 1$

The sum $\neg(RA) + SI + 1$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA

Add Carrying XO-form

addc RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=0)
 addc. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=1)
 addco RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=0)
 addco. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: a, a., ao, ao.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 10 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + (RB)$

The sum $(RA) + (RB)$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Subtract From Carrying XO-form

subfc RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=0)
 subfc. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=1)
 subfco RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=0)
 subfco. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: sf, sf., sfo, sfo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 8 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + (RB) + 1$

The sum $\neg(RA) + (RB) + 1$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Subtract From Carrying*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| subc Rx,Ry,Rz | subfc Rx,Rz,Ry |

Add Extended XO-form

adde RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=0)
 adde. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=1)
 addeo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=0)
 addeo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=1)

[Power mnemonics: ae, ae., aeo, aeo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 138 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 22 | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + (RB) + CA$

The sum $(RA) + (RB) + CA$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if R_c = 1)
 SO OV (if OE = 1)

Subtract From Extended XO-form

subfe RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=0)
 subfe. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=1)
 subfeo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=0)
 subfeo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=1)

[Power mnemonics: sfe, sfe., sfeo, sfeo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-------|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 136 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 22 | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + (RB) + CA$

The sum $\neg(RA) + (RB) + CA$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if R_c = 1)
 SO OV (if OE = 1)

Add To Minus One Extended XO-form

addme RT,RA (OE=0 R_c=0)
 addme. RT,RA (OE=0 R_c=1)
 addmeo RT,RA (OE=1 R_c=0)
 addmeo. RT,RA (OE=1 R_c=1)

[Power mnemonics: ame, ame., ameo, ameo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-------|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | /// | OE | 234 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 22 | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + CA - 1$

The sum $(RA) + CA + {}^{64}1$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if R_c = 1)
 SO OV (if OE = 1)

Subtract From Minus One Extended XO-form

subfme RT,RA (OE=0 R_c=0)
 subfme. RT,RA (OE=0 R_c=1)
 subfmeo RT,RA (OE=1 R_c=0)
 subfmeo. RT,RA (OE=1 R_c=1)

[Power mnemonics: sfme, sfme., sfmeo, sfmeo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-------|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | /// | OE | 232 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 22 | | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + CA - 1$

The sum $\neg(RA) + CA + {}^{64}1$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if R_c = 1)
 SO OV (if OE = 1)

Add To Zero Extended XO-form

addze RT,RA (OE=0 Rc=0)
 addze. RT,RA (OE=0 Rc=1)
 addzeo RT,RA (OE=1 Rc=0)
 addzeo. RT,RA (OE=1 Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: aze, aze., azeo, azeo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | /// | OE | 202 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow (RA) + CA$

The sum $(RA) + CA$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Subtract From Zero Extended XO-form

subfze RT,RA (OE=0 Rc=0)
 subfze. RT,RA (OE=0 Rc=1)
 subfzeo RT,RA (OE=1 Rc=0)
 subfzeo. RT,RA (OE=1 Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: sfze, sfze., sfzeo, sfzeo.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | /// | OE | 200 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + CA$

The sum $\neg(RA) + CA$ is placed into register RT.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

The setting of CA by the *Add* and *Subtract* instructions, including the Extended versions thereof, is mode-dependent. If a sequence of these instructions is used to perform extended-precision addition or subtraction, the same mode should be used throughout the sequence.

Negate XO-form

neg RT,RA (OE=0 Rc=0)
 neg. RT,RA (OE=0 Rc=1)
 nego RT,RA (OE=1 Rc=0)
 nego. RT,RA (OE=1 Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | /// | OE | 104 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow \neg(RA) + 1$

The sum $\neg(RA) + 1$ is placed into register RT.

If executing in 64-bit mode and register RA contains the most negative 64-bit number (0x8000_0000_0000_0000), the result is the most negative number and, if OE=1, OV is set to 1. Similarly, if executing in 32-bit mode and $(RA)_{32:63}$ contains the most negative 32-bit number (0x8000_0000), the low-order 32 bits of the result contain the most negative 32-bit number and, if OE=1, OV is set to 1.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Multiply Low Immediate D-form

`mulli` RT,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: `muli`]

| | | | |
|----|----|----|----|
| 07 | RT | RA | SI |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

$\text{prod}_{0:127} \leftarrow (\text{RA}) \times \text{EXTS}(\text{SI})$

$\text{RT} \leftarrow \text{prod}_{64:127}$

The 64-bit first operand is (RA). The 64-bit second operand is the sign-extended value of the SI field. The low-order 64 bits of the 128-bit product of the operands are placed into register RT.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as signed integers.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Multiply Low Doubleword XO-form

`muld` RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=0)

`mulld.` RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=1)

`mulldo` RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=0)

`mulldo.` RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 233 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$\text{prod}_{0:127} \leftarrow (\text{RA}) \times (\text{RB})$

$\text{RT} \leftarrow \text{prod}_{64:127}$

The 64-bit operands are (RA) and (RB). The low-order 64 bits of the 128-bit product of the operands are placed into register RT.

If OE=1 then OV is set to 1 if the product cannot be represented in 64 bits.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as signed integers.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if R_c=1)

SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

The XO-form *Multiply* instructions may execute faster on some implementations if RB contains the operand having the smaller absolute value.

Multiply Low Word XO-form

`mullw` RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=0)

`mullw.` RT,RA,RB (OE=0 R_c=1)

`mullwo` RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=0)

`mullwo.` RT,RA,RB (OE=1 R_c=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----------------|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 235 | R _c |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$\text{RT} \leftarrow (\text{RA})_{32:63} \times (\text{RB})_{32:63}$

The 32-bit operands are the low-order 32 bits of RA and of RB. The 64-bit product of the operands is placed into register RT.

If OE=1 then OV is set to 1 if the product cannot be represented in 32 bits.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as signed integers.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if R_c=1)

SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

For *mulli* and *mullw*, the low-order 32 bits of the product are the correct 32-bit product for 32-bit mode.

For *mulli* and *mulld*, the low-order 64 bits of the product are independent of whether the operands are regarded as signed or unsigned 64-bit integers. For *mulli* and *mullw*, the low-order 32 bits of the product are independent of whether the operands are regarded as signed or unsigned 32-bit integers.

Multiply High Doubleword XO-form

mulhd RT,RA,RB (Rc=0)
mulhd. RT,RA,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | / | 73 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$prod_{0:127} \leftarrow (RA) \times (RB)$
 $RT \leftarrow prod_{0:63}$

The 64-bit operands are (RA) and (RB). The high-order 64 bits of the 128-bit product of the operands are placed into register RT.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as signed integers.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Multiply High Doubleword Unsigned XO-form

mulhdu RT,RA,RB (Rc=0)
mulhdu. RT,RA,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | / | 9 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$prod_{0:127} \leftarrow (RA) \times (RB)$
 $RT \leftarrow prod_{0:63}$

The 64-bit operands are (RA) and (RB). The high-order 64 bits of the 128-bit product of the operands are placed into register RT.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as unsigned integers.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Multiply High Word XO-form

mulhw RT,RA,RB (Rc=0)
mulhw. RT,RA,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | / | 75 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$prod_{0:63} \leftarrow (RA)_{32:63} \times (RB)_{32:63}$
 $RT_{32:63} \leftarrow prod_{0:31}$
 $RT_{0:31} \leftarrow \text{undefined}$

The 32-bit operands are the low-order 32 bits of RA and of RB. The high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit product of the operands are placed into $RT_{32:63}$. $(RT)_{0:31}$ are undefined.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as signed integers.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Multiply High Word Unsigned XO-form

mulhwu RT,RA,RB (Rc=0)
mulhwu. RT,RA,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | / | 11 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

$prod_{0:63} \leftarrow (RA)_{32:63} \times (RB)_{32:63}$
 $RT_{32:63} \leftarrow prod_{0:31}$
 $RT_{0:31} \leftarrow \text{undefined}$

The 32-bit operands are the low-order 32 bits of RA and of RB. The high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit product of the operands are placed into $RT_{32:63}$. $(RT)_{0:31}$ are undefined.

Both the operands and the product are interpreted as unsigned integers.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Divide Doubleword XO-form

divd RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=0)
 divd. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=1)
 divdo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=0)
 divdo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 489 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

dividend_{0:63} ← (RA)
 divisor_{0:63} ← (RB)
 RT ← dividend ÷ divisor

The 64-bit dividend is (RA). The 64-bit divisor is (RB). The 64-bit quotient of the dividend and divisor is placed into RT. The remainder is not supplied as a result.

Both the dividend and the divisor are interpreted as signed integers. The quotient is the unique signed integer that satisfies

$$\text{dividend} = (\text{quotient} \times \text{divisor}) + r$$

where $0 \leq r < |\text{divisor}|$ if the dividend is nonnegative, and $-|\text{divisor}| < r \leq 0$ if the dividend is negative.

If an attempt is made to perform any of the divisions

0x8000_0000_0000_0000 ÷ -1
 <anything> ÷ 0

then the contents of register RT are undefined as are (if Rc=1) the contents of the LT, GT, and EQ bits of CR Field 0. In these cases, if OE=1 then OV is set to 1.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

The 64-bit signed remainder of dividing (RA) by (RB) can be computed as follows, except in the case that (RA) = -2^{63} and (RB) = -1.

divd RT,RA,RB # RT = quotient
 mulld RT,RT,RB # RT = quotient*divisor
 subf RT,RT,RA # RT = remainder

Divide Word XO-form

divw RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=0)
 divw. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=1)
 divwo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=0)
 divwo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 491 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

dividend_{0:63} ← EXTS((RA)_{32:63})
 divisor_{0:63} ← EXTS((RB)_{32:63})
 RT_{32:63} ← dividend ÷ divisor
 RT_{0:31} ← undefined

The 64-bit dividend is the sign-extended value of (RA)_{32:63}. The 64-bit divisor is the sign-extended value of (RB)_{32:63}. The 64-bit quotient is formed. The low-order 32 bits of the 64-bit quotient are placed into RT_{32:63}. (RT)_{0:31} are undefined. The remainder is not supplied as a result.

Both the dividend and the divisor are interpreted as signed integers. The quotient is the unique signed integer that satisfies

$$\text{dividend} = (\text{quotient} \times \text{divisor}) + r$$

where $0 \leq r < |\text{divisor}|$ if the dividend is nonnegative, and $-|\text{divisor}| < r \leq 0$ if the dividend is negative.

If an attempt is made to perform any of the divisions

0x8000_0000 ÷ -1
 <anything> ÷ 0

then the contents of register RT are undefined as are (if Rc=1) the contents of the LT, GT, and EQ bits of CR Field 0. In these cases, if OE=1 then OV is set to 1.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

The 32-bit signed remainder of dividing (RA)_{32:63} by (RB)_{32:63} can be computed as follows, except in the case that (RA) = -2^{31} and (RB) = -1.

divw RT,RA,RB # RT = quotient
 mullw RT,RT,RB # RT = quotient*divisor
 subf RT,RT,RA # RT = remainder

Divide Doubleword Unsigned XO-form

divdu RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=0)
 divdu. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=1)
 divduo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=0)
 divduo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 457 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

dividend_{0:63} ← (RA)
 divisor_{0:63} ← (RB)
 RT ← dividend ÷ divisor

The 64-bit dividend is (RA). The 64-bit divisor is (RB). The 64-bit quotient of the dividend and divisor is placed into RT. The remainder is not supplied as a result.

Both the dividend and the divisor are interpreted as unsigned integers. The quotient is the unique unsigned integer that satisfies

$$dividend = (quotient \times divisor) + r$$

where $0 \leq r < divisor$.

If an attempt is made to perform the division

<anything> ÷ 0

then the contents of register RT are undefined as are (if Rc=1) the contents of the LT, GT, and EQ bits of CR Field 0. In this case, if OE=1 then OV is set to 1.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

The 64-bit unsigned remainder of dividing (RA) by (RB) can be computed as follows.

```
divdu RT,RA,RB # RT = quotient
mulld RT,RT,RB # RT = quotient*divisor
subf RT,RT,RA # RT = remainder
```

Divide Word Unsigned XO-form

divwu RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=0)
 divwu. RT,RA,RB (OE=0 Rc=1)
 divwuo RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=0)
 divwuo. RT,RA,RB (OE=1 Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | OE | 459 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 31 |

dividend_{0:63} ← $^{32}0 \parallel (RA)_{32:63}$
 divisor_{0:63} ← $^{32}0 \parallel (RB)_{32:63}$
 RT_{32:63} ← dividend ÷ divisor
 RT_{0:31} ← undefined

The 64-bit dividend is the zero-extended value of (RA)_{32:63}. The 64-bit divisor is the zero-extended value of (RB)_{32:63}. The 64-bit quotient is formed. The low-order 32 bits of the 64-bit quotient are placed into RT_{32:63}. (RT)_{0:31} are undefined. The remainder is not supplied as a result.

Both the dividend and the divisor are interpreted as unsigned integers. The quotient is the unique unsigned integer that satisfies

$$dividend = (quotient \times divisor) + r$$

where $0 \leq r < divisor$.

If an attempt is made to perform the division

<anything> ÷ 0

then the contents of register RT are undefined as are (if Rc=1) the contents of the LT, GT, and EQ bits of CR Field 0. In this case, if OE=1 then OV is set to 1.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)
 SO OV (if OE=1)

Programming Note

The 32-bit unsigned remainder of dividing (RA)_{32:63} by (RB)_{32:63} can be computed as follows.

```
divwu RT,RA,RB # RT = quotient
mullw RT,RT,RB # RT = quotient*divisor
subf RT,RT,RA # RT = remainder
```

3.3.10 Fixed-Point Compare Instructions

The Fixed-Point *Compare* instructions algebraically or logically compare the contents of register RA with (1) the sign-extended value of the SI field, (2) the UI field, or (3) the contents of register RB. Algebraic comparison compares two signed integers. Logical comparison compares two unsigned integers.

For 64-bit implementations, the L field controls whether the operands are treated as 64- or 32-bit quantities, as follows:

| L | Operand length |
|---|-----------------|
| 0 | 32-bit operands |
| 1 | 64-bit operands |

When the operands are treated as 32-bit signed quantities, bit 32 of the register (RA or RB) is the sign bit.

For 32-bit implementations, the L field must be zero.

The *Compare* instructions set one bit in the leftmost three bits of the designated CR field to one, and the

other two to zero. XER_{SO} is copied into bit 3 of the designated CR field.

The CR field is set as follows.

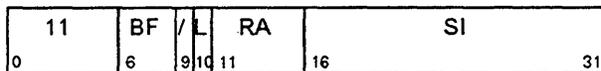
| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|------|-------------------------------|
| 0 | LT | (RA) < SI, UI, or (RB) |
| 1 | GT | (RA) > SI, UI, or (RB) |
| 2 | EQ | (RA) = SI, UI, or (RB) |
| 3 | SO | Summary Overflow from the XER |

Extended mnemonics for compares

A set of extended mnemonics is provided so that compares can be coded with the operand length as part of the instruction mnemonic rather than as a numeric operand. Some of these are shown as examples with the *Compare* instructions. The extended mnemonics for doubleword comparisons are available only in 64-bit implementations. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

Compare Immediate D-form

cmpi BF,L,RA,SI



if L = 0 then a ← EXTS((RA)_{32:63})
 else a ← (RA)
 if a < EXTS(SI) then c ← 0b100
 else if a > EXTS(SI) then c ← 0b010
 else c ← 0b001
 CR_{4×BF:4×BF+3} ← c || XER_{SO}

The contents of register RA ((RA)_{32:63} sign-extended to 64 bits if L=0) is compared with the sign-extended value of the SI field, treating the operands as signed integers. The result of the comparison is placed into CR field BF.

In 32-bit implementations, if L=1 the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR field BF

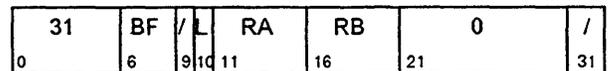
Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Compare Immediate*:

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| cmpdi Rx,value | cmpi 0,1,Rx,value |
| cmpwi cr3,Rx,value | cmpi 3,0,Rx,value |

Compare X-form

cmp BF,L,RA,RB



if L = 0 then a ← EXTS((RA)_{32:63})
 b ← EXTS((RB)_{32:63})
 else a ← (RA)
 b ← (RB)
 if a < b then c ← 0b100
 else if a > b then c ← 0b010
 else c ← 0b001
 CR_{4×BF:4×BF+3} ← c || XER_{SO}

The contents of register RA ((RA)_{32:63} if L=0) is compared with the contents of register RB ((RB)_{32:63} if L=0), treating the operands as signed integers. The result of the comparison is placed into CR field BF.

In 32-bit implementations, if L=1 the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR field BF

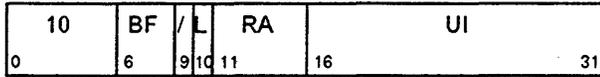
Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Compare*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| cmpd Rx,Ry | cmp 0,1,Rx,Ry |
| cmpw cr3,Rx,Ry | cmp 3,0,Rx,Ry |

Compare Logical Immediate D-form

cmpli BF,L,RA,UI



```

if L = 0 then a ← 320 || (RA)32:63
                else a ← (RA)
if a <= (480 || UI) then c ← 0b100
else if a >= (480 || UI) then c ← 0b010
else c ← 0b001
CR4×BF:4×BF+3 ← c || XERSO

```

The contents of register RA ((RA)_{32:63} zero-extended to 64 bits if L=0) is compared with 480 || UI, treating the operands as unsigned integers. The result of the comparison is placed into CR field BF.

In 32-bit implementations, if L=1 the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
CR field BF

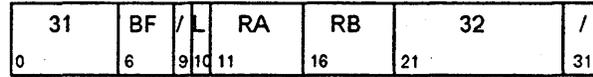
Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Compare Logical Immediate*:

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| cmpldi Rx,value | cmpli 0,1,Rx,value |
| cmplwi cr3,Rx,value | cmpli 3,0,Rx,value |

Compare Logical X-form

cmpl BF,L,RA,RB



```

if L = 0 then a ← 320 || (RA)32:63
                b ← 320 || (RB)32:63
                else a ← (RA)
                b ← (RB)
if a <= b then c ← 0b100
else if a >= b then c ← 0b010
else c ← 0b001
CR4×BF:4×BF+3 ← c || XERSO

```

The contents of register RA ((RA)_{32:63} if L=0) is compared with the contents of register RB ((RB)_{32:63} if L=0), treating the operands as unsigned integers. The result of the comparison is placed into CR field BF.

In 32-bit implementations, if L=1 the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
CR field BF

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Compare Logical*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| cmpld Rx,Ry | cmpl 0,1,Rx,Ry |
| cmplw cr3,Rx,Ry | cmpl 3,0,Rx,Ry |

3.3.11 Fixed-Point Trap Instructions

The *Trap* instructions are provided to test for a specified set of conditions. If any of the conditions tested by a *Trap* instruction are met, the system trap handler is invoked. If the tested conditions are not met, instruction execution continues normally.

The contents of register RA is compared with either the sign-extended value of the SI field or the contents of register RB, depending on the *Trap* instruction. For *tdi* and *td*, the entire contents of RA (and RB) participate in the comparison; for *twi* and *tw*, only the contents of the low-order 32 bits of RA (and RB) participate in the comparison.

This comparison results in five conditions which are ANDed with TO. If the result is not 0 the system trap handler is invoked. These conditions are:

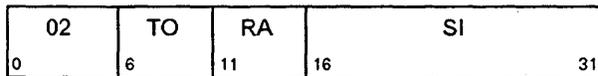
| | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| TO bit | ANDed with Condition |
| 0 | Less Than |
| 1 | Greater Than |
| 2 | Equal |
| 3 | Logically Less Than |
| 4 | Logically Greater Than |

Extended mnemonics for traps

A set of extended mnemonics is provided so that traps can be coded with the condition as part of the instruction mnemonic rather than as a numeric operand. Some of these are shown as examples with the *Trap* instructions. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

Trap Doubleword Immediate D-form

tdi TO,RA,SI



a ← (RA)
 if (a < EXTS(SI)) & TO₀ then TRAP
 if (a > EXTS(SI)) & TO₁ then TRAP
 if (a = EXTS(SI)) & TO₂ then TRAP
 if (a ≧ EXTS(SI)) & TO₃ then TRAP
 if (a ≯ EXTS(SI)) & TO₄ then TRAP

The contents of register RA is compared with the sign-extended value of the SI field. If any bit in the TO field is set to 1 and its corresponding condition is met by the result of the comparison, then the system trap handler is invoked.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Extended Mnemonics:

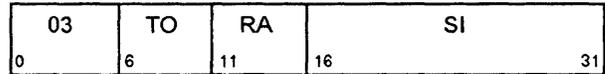
Examples of extended mnemonics for *Trap Doubleword Immediate*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| tdlti Rx,value | tdi 16,Rx,value |
| tdnei Rx,value | tdi 24,Rx,value |

Trap Word Immediate D-form

twi TO,RA,SI

[Power mnemonic: ti]



a ← EXTS((RA)_{32:63})
 if (a < EXTS(SI)) & TO₀ then TRAP
 if (a > EXTS(SI)) & TO₁ then TRAP
 if (a = EXTS(SI)) & TO₂ then TRAP
 if (a ≧ EXTS(SI)) & TO₃ then TRAP
 if (a ≯ EXTS(SI)) & TO₄ then TRAP

The contents of RA_{32:63} is compared with the sign-extended value of the SI field. If any bit in the TO field is set to 1 and its corresponding condition is met by the result of the comparison, then the system trap handler is invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Trap Word Immediate*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| twgti Rx,value | twi 8,Rx,value |
| twllei Rx,value | twi 6,Rx,value |

Trap Doubleword X-form

td TO,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | TO | RA | RB | 68 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$a \leftarrow (RA)$
 $b \leftarrow (RB)$
 if $(a < b) \ \& \ T0_0$ then TRAP
 if $(a > b) \ \& \ T0_1$ then TRAP
 if $(a = b) \ \& \ T0_2$ then TRAP
 if $(a \leq b) \ \& \ T0_3$ then TRAP
 if $(a \geq b) \ \& \ T0_4$ then TRAP

The contents of register RA is compared with the contents of register RB. If any bit in the TO field is set to 1 and its corresponding condition is met by the result of the comparison, then the system trap handler is invoked.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Trap Doubleword*:

| Extended: | Equivalent to: |
|-------------|----------------|
| tdge Rx,Ry | td 12,Rx,Ry |
| tdlnl Rx,Ry | td 5,Rx,Ry |

Trap Word X-form

tw TO,RA,RB

[Power mnemonic: t]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | TO | RA | RB | 4 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$a \leftarrow \text{EXTS}((RA)_{32:63})$
 $b \leftarrow \text{EXTS}((RB)_{32:63})$
 if $(a < b) \ \& \ T0_0$ then TRAP
 if $(a > b) \ \& \ T0_1$ then TRAP
 if $(a = b) \ \& \ T0_2$ then TRAP
 if $(a \leq b) \ \& \ T0_3$ then TRAP
 if $(a \geq b) \ \& \ T0_4$ then TRAP

The contents of $RA_{32:63}$ is compared with the contents of $RB_{32:63}$. If any bit in the TO field is set to 1 and its corresponding condition is met by the result of the comparison, then the system trap handler is invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Trap Word*:

| Extended: | Equivalent to: |
|------------|----------------|
| tweg Rx,Ry | tw 4,Rx,Ry |
| twge Rx,Ry | tw 5,Rx,Ry |
| trap | tw 31,0,0 |

3.3.12 Fixed-Point Logical Instructions

The *Logical* instructions perform bit-parallel operations on 64-bit operands.

The X-form *Logical* instructions with $Rc=1$, and the D-form *Logical* instructions *andi.* and *andis.*, set the first three bits of CR Field 0 as described in Section 3.3.8, "Other Fixed-Point Instructions" on page 49. The *Logical* instructions do not change the SO, OV, and CA bits in the XER.

Extended mnemonics for logical operations

An extended mnemonic is provided that generates the preferred form of "no-op" (an instruction that does nothing). This is shown as an example with the *OR Immediate* instruction.

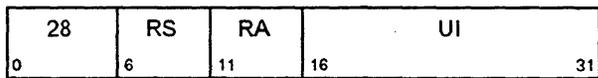
Extended mnemonics are provided that use the *OR* and *NOR* instructions to copy the contents of one register to another, with and without complementing. These are shown as examples with the two instructions.

See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

AND Immediate D-form

andi. RA,RS,UI

[Power mnemonic: *andil.*]



$RA \leftarrow (RS) \& (^{48}0 \parallel UI)$

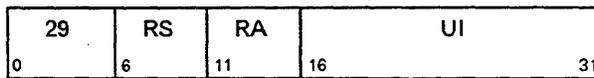
The contents of register RS is ANDed with $^{48}0 \parallel UI$ and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0

AND Immediate Shifted D-form

andis. RA,RS,UI

[Power mnemonic: *andiu.*]



$RA \leftarrow (RS) \& (^{32}0 \parallel UI \parallel ^{16}0)$

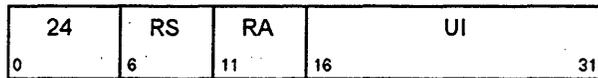
The contents of register RS is ANDed with $^{32}0 \parallel UI \parallel ^{16}0$ and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0

OR Immediate D-form

ori RA,RS,UI

[Power mnemonic: oril]



$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \mid ({}^{48}0 \parallel UI)$$

The contents of register RS is ORed with ${}^{48}0 \parallel UI$ and the result is placed into register RA.

The preferred "no-op" (an instruction that does nothing) is:

ori 0,0,0

Special Registers Altered:

None

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *OR Immediate*:

Extended:

nop

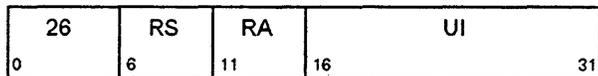
Equivalent to:

ori 0,0,0

XOR Immediate D-form

xori RA,RS,UI

[Power mnemonic: xoril]



$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \oplus ({}^{48}0 \parallel UI)$$

The contents of register RS is XORed with ${}^{48}0 \parallel UI$ and the result is placed into register RA.

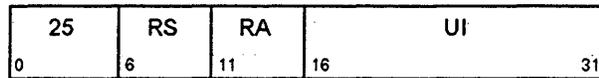
Special Registers Altered:

None

OR Immediate Shifted D-form

oris RA,RS,UI

[Power mnemonic: oriu]



$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \mid ({}^{32}0 \parallel UI \parallel {}^{16}0)$$

The contents of register RS is ORed with ${}^{32}0 \parallel UI \parallel {}^{16}0$ and the result is placed into register RA.

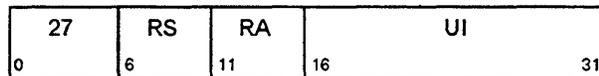
Special Registers Altered:

None

XOR Immediate Shifted D-form

xoris RA,RS,UI

[Power mnemonic: xoriu]



$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \oplus ({}^{32}0 \parallel UI \parallel {}^{16}0)$$

The contents of register RS is XORed with ${}^{32}0 \parallel UI \parallel {}^{16}0$ and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:

None

AND X-form

and RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
and. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 28 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$RA \leftarrow (RS) \& (RB)$

The contents of register RS is ANDed with the contents of register RB and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CRO (if Rc=1)

OR X-form

or RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
or. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 444 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$RA \leftarrow (RS) \mid (RB)$

The contents of register RS is ORed with the contents of register RB and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CRO (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for OR:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| mr Rx,Ry | or Rx,Ry,Ry |

XOR X-form

xor RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
xor. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 316 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$RA \leftarrow (RS) \oplus (RB)$

The contents of register RS is XORed with the contents of register RB and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CRO (if Rc=1)

NAND X-form

nand RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
nand. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 476 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$RA \leftarrow \neg((RS) \& (RB))$

The contents of register RS is ANDed with the contents of register RB and the complemented result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CRO (if Rc=1)

Programming Note

nand or *nor* with RA=RB can be used to obtain the one's complement.

NOR X-form

nor RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
 nor. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 124 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$RA \leftarrow \neg((RS) \mid (RB))$$

The contents of register RS is ORed with the contents of register RB and the complemented result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for NOR:

| | | | |
|------------------|-------|-----------------------|----------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | | <i>Equivalent to:</i> | |
| not | Rx,Ry | nor | Rx,Ry,Ry |

Equivalent X-form

eqv RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
 eqv. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 284 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \equiv (RB)$$

The contents of register RS is XORed with the contents of register RB and the complemented result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

AND with Complement X-form

andc RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
 andc. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 60 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \& \neg(RB)$$

The contents of register RS is ANDed with the complement of the contents of register RB and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

OR with Complement X-form

orc RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
 orc. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 412 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$$RA \leftarrow (RS) \mid \neg(RB)$$

The contents of register RS is ORed with the complement of the contents of register RB and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extend Sign Byte X-form

extsb RA,RS (Rc=0)
 extsb. RA,RS (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | /// | 954 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$s \leftarrow (RS)_{56}$
 $RA_{56:63} \leftarrow (RS)_{56:63}$
 $RA_{0:55} \leftarrow 56_s$

$(RS)_{56:63}$ are placed into $RA_{56:63}$. Bit 56 of register RS is placed into $RA_{0:55}$.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extend Sign Halfword X-form

extsh RA,RS (Rc=0)
 extsh. RA,RS (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: exts, exts.]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | /// | 922 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$s \leftarrow (RS)_{48}$
 $RA_{48:63} \leftarrow (RS)_{48:63}$
 $RA_{0:47} \leftarrow 48_s$

$(RS)_{48:63}$ are placed into $RA_{48:63}$. Bit 48 of register RS is placed into $RA_{0:47}$.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extend Sign Word X-form

extsw RA,RS (Rc=0)
 extsw. RA,RS (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | /// | 986 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$s \leftarrow (RS)_{32}$
 $RA_{32:63} \leftarrow (RS)_{32:63}$
 $RA_{0:31} \leftarrow 32_s$

$(RS)_{32:63}$ are placed into $RA_{32:63}$. Bit 32 of register RS is placed into $RA_{0:31}$.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

3.3.13 Fixed-Point Rotate and Shift Instructions

The Fixed-Point Processor performs rotation operations on data from a GPR and returns the result, or a portion of the result, to a GPR.

The rotation operations rotate a 64-bit quantity left by a specified number of bit positions. Bits that exit from position 0 enter at position 63.

Two types of rotation operation are supported.

For the first type, denoted rotate_{64} or ROTL_{64} , the value rotated is the given 64-bit value. The rotate_{64} operation is used to rotate a given 64-bit quantity.

For the second type, denoted rotate_{32} or ROTL_{32} , the value rotated consists of two copies of bits 32:63 of the given 64-bit value, one copy in bits 0:31 and the other in bits 32:63. The rotate_{32} operation is used to rotate a given 32-bit quantity.

The *Rotate and Shift* instructions employ a mask generator. The mask is 64 bits long, and consists of 1-bits from a start bit, $mstart$, through and including a stop bit, $mstop$, and 0-bits elsewhere. The values of $mstart$ and $mstop$ range from zero to 63. If $mstart > mstop$, the 1-bits wrap around from position 63 to position 0. Thus the mask is formed as follows:

```
if  $mstart \leq mstop$  then
    mask $_{mstart:mstop}$  = ones
    mask $_{\text{all other bits}}$  = zeros
else
    mask $_{mstart:63}$  = ones
    mask $_{0:mstop}$  = ones
    mask $_{\text{all other bits}}$  = zeros
```

There is no way to specify an all-zero mask.

For instructions that use the rotate_{32} operation, the mask start and stop positions are always in the low-order 32 bits of the register.

The use of the mask is described in following sections.

The *Rotate and Shift* instructions with $Rc=1$ set the first three bits of CR field 0 as described in Section 3.3.8, "Other Fixed-Point Instructions" on page 49. *Rotate and Shift* instructions do not change the OV and SO bits. *Rotate and Shift* instructions, except algebraic right shifts, do not change the CA bit.

Extended mnemonics for rotates and shifts

The *Rotate and Shift* instructions, while powerful, can be complicated to code (they have up to five operands). A set of extended mnemonics is provided that allow simpler coding of often-used functions such as clearing the leftmost or rightmost bits of a register, left justifying or right justifying an arbitrary field, and simple rotates and shifts. Some of these are shown as examples with the *Rotate* instructions. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

3.3.13.1 Fixed-Point Rotate Instructions

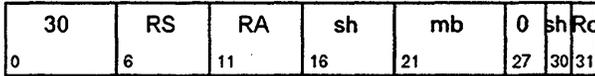
These instructions rotate the contents of a register. The result of the rotation is

- Inserted into the target register under control of a mask (if a mask bit is 1 the associated bit of the rotated data is placed into the target register, and if the mask bit is 0 the associated bit in the target register remains unchanged); or
- ANDed with a mask before being placed into the target register.

The *Rotate Left* instructions allow right-rotation of the contents of a register to be performed (in concept) by a left-rotation of $64-N$, where N is the number of bits by which to rotate right. They allow right-rotation of the contents of the low-order 32 bits of a register to be performed (in concept) by a left-rotation of $32-N$, where N is the number of bits by which to rotate right.

Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Left MD-form

rdicl RA,RS,SH,MB (Rc=0)
 rldicl RA,RS,SH,MB (Rc=1)



$n \leftarrow sh_5 \parallel sh_{0:4}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), n)$
 $b \leftarrow mb_5 \parallel mb_{0:4}$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(b, 63)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₆₄ left SH bits. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit 63 and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Left*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| extrdi Rx,Ry,n,b | rdicl Rx,Ry,b+n,64-n |
| srldi Rx,Ry,n | rldicl Rx,Ry,64-n,n |
| clrldi Rx,Ry,n | rldicl Rx,Ry,0,n |

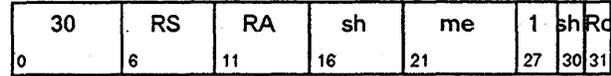
Programming Note

rldicl can be used to extract an *n*-bit field, that starts at bit position *b* in register RS, right-justified into register RA (clearing the remaining 64-*n* bits of RA), by setting SH=*b*+*n* and MB=64-*n*. It can be used to rotate the contents of a register left (right) by *n* bits, by setting SH=*n* (64-*n*) and MB=0. It can be used to shift the contents of a register right by *n* bits, by setting SH=64-*n* and MB=*n*. It can be used to clear the high-order *n* bits of a register, by setting SH=0 and MB=*n*.

Extended mnemonics are provided for all of these uses: see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Right MD-form

rdicr RA,RS,SH,ME (Rc=0)
 rldicr RA,RS,SH,ME (Rc=1)



$n \leftarrow sh_5 \parallel sh_{0:4}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), n)$
 $e \leftarrow me_5 \parallel me_{0:4}$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(0, e)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₆₄ left SH bits. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit 0 through bit ME and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Right*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| extldi Rx,Ry,n,b | rldicr Rx,Ry,b,n-1 |
| sldi Rx,Ry,n | rldicr Rx,Ry,n,63-n |
| clrldi Rx,Ry,n | rldicr Rx,Ry,0,63-n |

Programming Note

rldicr can be used to extract an *n*-bit field, that starts at bit position *b* in register RS, left-justified into register RA (clearing the remaining 64-*n* bits of RA), by setting SH=*b* and ME=*n*-1. It can be used to rotate the contents of a register left (right) by *n* bits, by setting SH=*n* (64-*n*) and ME=63. It can be used to shift the contents of a register left by *n* bits, by setting SH=*n* and ME=63-*n*. It can be used to clear the low-order *n* bits of a register, by setting SH=0 and ME=63-*n*.

Extended mnemonics are provided for all of these uses (some devolve to *rldicl*): see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear MD-form

rldic RA,RS,SH,MB (Rc=0)
 rldic. RA,RS,SH,MB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 30 | RS | RA | sh | mb | 2 | sh | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 27 | 30 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow sh_5 \parallel sh_{0:4}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), n)$
 $b \leftarrow mb_5 \parallel mb_{0:4}$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(b, \neg n)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₆₄ left SH bits. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit 63—SH, and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear*:

Extended: clrlsldi Rx,Ry,b,n
Equivalent to: rldic Rx,Ry,n,b—n

Programming Note

rldic can be used to clear the high-order *b* bits of the contents of a register and then shift the result left by *n* bits by setting SH=*n* and MB=*b—n*. It can be used to clear the high-order *n* bits of a register, by setting SH=0 and MB=*n*.

Extended mnemonics are provided for both of these uses (the second devolves to rldic!): see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Word Immediate then AND with Mask M-form

rlwinm RA,RS,SH,MB,ME (Rc=0)
 rlwinm. RA,RS,SH,MB,ME (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: rlinm, rlinm.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 21 | RS | RA | SH | MB | ME | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow SH$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{32}((RS)_{32:63}, n)$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(MB+32, ME+32)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₃₂ left SH bits. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit ME and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Word Immediate then AND with Mask*:

| | | |
|------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| extlwi | Rx,Ry,n,b | rlwinm Rx,Ry,b,0,n—1 |
| srwi | Rx,Ry,n | rlwinm Rx,Ry,32—n,n,31 |
| clrrwi | Rx,Ry,n | rlwinm Rx,Ry,0,0,31—n |

Programming Note

Let RSL represent the low-order 32 bits of register RS, with the bits numbered from 0 through 31.

rlwinm can be used to extract an n -bit field, that starts at bit position b in RSL, right-justified into the low-order 32 bits of register RA (clearing the remaining $32-n$ bits of the low-order 32 bits of RA), by setting $SH=b+n$, $MB=32-n$, and $ME=31$. It can be used to extract an n -bit field, that starts at bit position b in RSL, left-justified into the low-order 32 bits of register RA (clearing the remaining $32-n$ bits of the low-order 32 bits of RA), by setting $SH=b$, $MB=0$, and $ME=n-1$. It can be used to rotate the contents of the low-order 32 bits of a register left (right) by n bits, by setting $SH=n$ ($32-n$), $MB=0$, and $ME=31$. It can be used to shift the contents of the low-order 32 bits of a register right by n bits, by setting $SH=32-n$, $MB=n$, and $ME=31$. It can be used to clear the high-order b bits of the low-order 32 bits of the contents of a register and then shift the result left by n bits by setting $SH=n$, $MB=b-n$ and $ME=31-n$. It can be used to clear the low-order n bits of the low-order 32 bits of a register, by setting $SH=0$, $MB=0$, and $ME=31-n$.

For all the uses given above, the high-order 32 bits of register RA are cleared.

Extended mnemonics are provided for all of these uses: see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Left MDS-form

rlldcl RA,RS,RB,MB (Rc=0)
 rldcl. RA,RS,RB,MB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 30 | RS | RA | RB | mb | 8 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 27 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow (RB)_{58:63}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), n)$
 $b \leftarrow mb_5 \parallel mb_{0:4}$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(b, 63)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₆₄ left the number of bits specified by $(RB)_{58:63}$. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit 63 and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc = 1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Left*:

Extended: *rotld Rx,Ry,Rz* Equivalent to: *rlldcl Rx,Ry,Rz,0*

Programming Note

rlldcl can be used to extract an n -bit field, that starts at variable bit position b in register RS, right-justified into register RA (clearing the remaining $64-n$ bits of RA), by setting $RB_{58:63}=b+n$ and $MB=64-n$. It can be used to rotate the contents of a register left (right) by variable n bits by setting $RB_{58:63}=n$ ($64-n$) and $MB=0$.

Extended mnemonics are provided for some of these uses: see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Right MDS-form

rldcr RA,RS,RB,ME (Rc=0)
rldcr. RA,RS,RB,ME (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 30 | RS | RA | RB | me | 9 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 27 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow (RB)_{58:63}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), n)$
 $e \leftarrow me_5 \parallel me_{0:4}$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(0, e)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₆₄ left the number of bits specified by (RB)_{58:63}. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit 0 through bit ME and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Programming Note

rldcr can be used to extract an n -bit field, that starts at variable bit position b in register RS, left-justified into register RA (clearing the remaining $64-n$ bits of RA), by setting $RB_{58:63}=b$ and $ME=n-1$. It can be used to rotate the contents of a register left (right) by variable n bits by setting $RB_{58:63}=n(64-n)$ and $ME=63$.

Extended mnemonics are provided for some of these uses (some devolve to *rldcl*) see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Word then AND with Mask M-form

rlwnm RA,RS,RB,MB,ME (Rc=0)
rlwnm. RA,RS,RB,MB,ME (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: rlnm, rlnm.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 23 | RS | RA | RB | MB | ME | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow (RB)_{59:63}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{32}((RS)_{32:63}, n)$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(MB+32, ME+32)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₃₂ left the number of bits specified by (RB)_{59:63}. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit ME and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is ANDed with the generated mask and the result is placed into register RA.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Word then AND with Mask*:

Extended: rotlw Rx,Ry,Rz
Equivalent to: rlwnm Rx,Ry,Rz,0,31

Programming Note

Let RSL represent the low-order 32 bits of register RS, with the bits numbered from 0 through 31.

rlwnm can be used to extract an n -bit field, that starts at variable bit position b in RSL, right-justified into the low-order 32 bits of register RA (clearing the remaining $32-n$ bits of the low-order 32 bits of RA), by setting $RB_{59:63}=b+n$, $MB=32-n$, and $ME=31$. It can be used to extract an n -bit field, that starts at variable bit position b in RSL, left-justified into the low-order 32 bits of register RA (clearing the remaining $32-n$ bits of the low-order 32 bits of RA), by setting $RB_{59:63}=b$, $MB=0$, and $ME=n-1$. It can be used to rotate the contents of the low-order 32 bits of a register left (right) by variable n bits, by setting $RB_{59:63}=n(32-n)$, $MB=0$, and $ME=31$.

For all the uses given above, the high-order 32 bits of register RA are cleared.

Extended mnemonics are provided for some of these uses: see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Mask Insert MD-form

rldimi RA,RS,SH,MB (Rc=0)
 rldimi. RA,RS,SH,MB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 30 | RS | RA | sh | mb | 3 | sh | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 27 | 30 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow sh_5 \parallel sh_{0:4}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), n)$
 $b \leftarrow mb_5 \parallel mb_{0:4}$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(b, -n)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m \mid (RA) \& \sim m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₆₄ left SH bits. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit 63–SH, and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is inserted into register RA under control of the generated mask.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Mask Insert*:

Extended: insrdi Rx,Ry,n,b *Equivalent to:* rldimi Rx,Ry,64–(b+n),b

Programming Note

rldimi can be used to insert an *n*-bit field, that is right-justified in register RS, into register RA starting at bit position *b*, by setting $SH=64-(b+n)$ and $MB=b$.

An extended mnemonic is provided for this use: see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

Rotate Left Word Immediate then Mask Insert M-form

rlwimi RA,RS,SH,MB,ME (Rc=0)
 rlwimi. RA,RS,SH,MB,ME (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: rlimi, rlimi.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 20 | RS | RA | SH | MB | ME | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow SH$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{32}((RS)_{32:63}, n)$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(MB+32, ME+32)$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m \mid (RA) \& \sim m$

The contents of register RS are rotated₃₂ left SH bits. A mask is generated having 1-bits from bit MB through bit ME and 0-bits elsewhere. The rotated data is inserted into register RA under control of the generated mask.

Special Registers Altered:
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Extended Mnemonics:

Example of extended mnemonics for *Rotate Left Word Immediate then Mask Insert*:

Extended: inslwi Rx,Ry,n,b *Equivalent to:* rlwimi Rx,Ry,32–b,b,b+n–1

Programming Note

Let RAL represent the low-order 32 bits of register RA, with the bits numbered from 0 through 31.

rlwimi can be used to insert an *n*-bit field, that is left-justified in the low-order 32 bits of register RS, into RAL starting at bit position *b*, by setting $SH=32-b$, $MB=b$, and $ME=(b+n)-1$. It can be used to insert an *n*-bit field, that is right-justified in the low-order 32 bits of register RS, into RAL starting at bit position *b*, by setting $SH=32-(b+n)$, $MB=b$, and $ME=(b+n)-1$.

Extended mnemonics are provided for both of these uses: see Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223.

3.3.13.2 Fixed-Point Shift Instructions

The instructions in this section perform left and right shifts.

Extended mnemonics for shifts

Immediate-form logical (unsigned) shift operations are obtained by specifying appropriate masks and shift values for certain *Rotate* instructions. A set of extended mnemonics is provided to make coding of such shifts simpler and easier to understand, and simple rotates and shifts. Some of these are shown as examples with the *Rotate* instructions. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 223 for additional extended mnemonics.

Programming Note

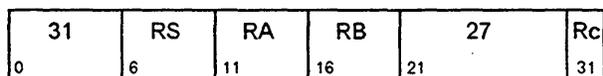
Any *Shift Right Algebraic* instruction, followed by *addze*, can be used to divide quickly by 2^N . The setting of the CA bit by the *Shift Right Algebraic* instructions is independent of mode.

Programming Note

Multiple-precision shifts can be programmed as shown in Appendix E.2, "Multiple-Precision Shifts" on page 247.

Shift Left Doubleword X-form

sld RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
sld RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)



```
n ← (RB)58:63
r ← ROTL64((RS), n)
if (RB)57 = 0 then
    m ← MASK(0, 63-n)
else m ← 640
RA ← r & m
```

The contents of register RS are shifted left the number of bits specified by (RB)_{57:63}. Bits shifted out of position 0 are lost. Zeros are supplied to the vacated positions on the right. The result is placed into register RA. Shift amounts from 64 to 127 give a zero result.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

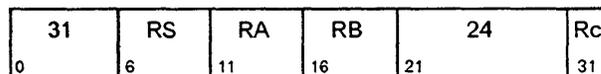
Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Left Word X-form

slw RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
slw RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: sl, sl.]



```
n ← (RB)59:63
r ← ROTL32((RS)32:63, n)
if (RB)58 = 0 then
    m ← MASK(32, 63-n)
else m ← 640
RA ← r & m
```

The contents of the low-order 32 bits of register RS are shifted left the number of bits specified by (RB)_{58:63}. Bits shifted out of position 32 are lost. Zeros are supplied to the vacated positions on the right. The 32-bit result is placed into RA_{32:63}. RA_{0:31} are set to zero. Shift amounts from 32 to 63 give a zero result.

Special Registers Altered:

CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Right Doubleword X-form

srd RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
srd. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 539 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
n ← (RB)58:63
r ← ROTL64((RS), 64-n)
if (RB)57 = 0 then
    m ← MASK(n, 63)
else m ← 640
RA ← r & m
```

The contents of register RS are shifted right the number of bits specified by (RB)_{57:63}. Bits shifted out of position 63 are lost. Zeros are supplied to the vacated positions on the left. The result is placed into register RA. Shift amounts from 64 to 127 give a zero result.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Right Word X-form

srw RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
srw. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: sr, sr.]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 536 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
n ← (RB)59:63
r ← ROTL32((RS)32:63, 64-n)
if (RB)58 = 0 then
    m ← MASK(n+32, 63)
else m ← 640
RA ← r & m
```

The contents of the low-order 32 bits of register RS are shifted right the number of bits specified by (RB)_{58:63}. Bits shifted out of position 63 are lost. Zeros are supplied to the vacated positions on the left. The 32-bit result is placed into RA_{32:63}. RA_{0:31} are set to zero. Shift amounts from 32 to 63 give a zero result.

Special Registers Altered:
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword Immediate XS-form

sradi RA,RS,SH (Rc=0)
 sradi. RA,RS,SH (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | sh | 413 | sh | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 30 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow sh_5 \parallel sh_{0:4}$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{64}((RS), 64-n)$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(n, 63)$
 $s \leftarrow (RS)_0$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m \mid (r \& \sim m)$
 $CA \leftarrow s \& ((r \& \sim m) \neq 0)$

The contents of register RS are shifted right SH bits. Bits shifted out of position 63 are lost. Bit 0 of RS is replicated to fill the vacated positions on the left. The result is placed into register RA. CA is set to 1 if (RS) is negative and any 1-bits are shifted out of position 63; otherwise CA is set to 0. A shift amount of zero causes RA to be set equal to (RS), and CA to be set to 0.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Right Algebraic Word Immediate X-form

srawi RA,RS,SH (Rc=0)
 srawi. RA,RS,SH (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: srai, srai.]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | SH | 824 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$n \leftarrow SH$
 $r \leftarrow ROTL_{32}((RS)_{32:63}, 64-n)$
 $m \leftarrow MASK(n+32, 63)$
 $s \leftarrow (RS)_{32}$
 $RA \leftarrow r \& m \mid (r \& \sim m)$
 $CA \leftarrow s \& ((r \& \sim m)_{32:63} \neq 0)$

The contents of the low-order 32 bits of register RS are shifted right SH bits. Bits shifted out of position 63 are lost. Bit 32 of RS is replicated to fill the vacated positions on the left. The 32-bit result is placed into $RA_{32:63}$. Bit 32 of RS is replicated to fill $RA_{0:31}$. CA is set to 1 if the low-order 32 bits of (RS) contain a negative number and any 1-bits are shifted out of position 63; otherwise CA is set to 0. A shift amount of zero causes RA to receive $EXTS((RS)_{32:63})$, and CA to be set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
 CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword X-form

srad RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
srad. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 794 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

n ← (RB)58:63
r ← ROTL64((RS), 64-n)
if (RB)57 = 0 then
    m ← MASK(n, 63)
else m ← 640
s ← (RS)0
RA ← r & m | (64s) & ~m
CA ← s & ((r & ~m) ≠ 0)
    
```

The contents of register RS are shifted right the number of bits specified by (RB)_{57:63}. Bits shifted out of position 63 are lost. Bit 0 of RS is replicated to fill the vacated positions on the left. The result is placed into register RA. CA is set to 1 if (RS) is negative and any 1-bits are shifted out of position 63; otherwise CA is set to 0. A shift amount of zero causes RA to be set equal to (RS), and CA to be set to 0. Shift amounts from 64 to 127 give a result of 64 sign bits in RA, and cause CA to receive the sign bit of (RS).

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
CR0 (if Rc=1)

Shift Right Algebraic Word X-form

sraw RA,RS,RB (Rc=0)
sraw. RA,RS,RB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: sra, sra.]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 792 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

n ← (RB)59:63
r ← ROTL32((RS)32:63, 64-n)
if (RB)58 = 0 then
    m ← MASK(n+32, 63)
else m ← 640
s ← (RS)32
RA ← r & m | (64s) & ~m
CA ← s & ((r & ~m)32:63 ≠ 0)
    
```

The contents of the low-order 32 bits of register RS are shifted right the number of bits specified by (RB)_{58:63}. Bits shifted out of position 63 are lost. Bit 32 of RS is replicated to fill the vacated positions on the left. The 32-bit result is placed into RA_{32:63}. Bit 32 of RS is replicated to fill RA_{0:31}. CA is set to 1 if the low-order 32 bits of (RS) contain a negative number and any 1-bits are shifted out of position 63; otherwise CA is set to 0. A shift amount of zero causes RA to receive EXTS((RS)_{32:63}), and CA to be set to 0. Shift amounts from 32 to 63 give a result of 64 sign bits, and cause CA to receive the sign bit of (RS)_{32:63}.

Special Registers Altered:

CA
CR0 (if Rc=1)

3.3.14 Move To/From System Register Instructions

Extended mnemonics

A set of extended mnemonics is provided for the *mtspr* and *mfspir* instructions so that they can be

coded with the SPR name as part of the mnemonic rather than as a numeric operand. Some of these are shown as examples with the two instructions. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 221 for additional extended mnemonics.

Move To Special Purpose Register XFX-form

mtspr SPR,RS

| | | | | |
|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | spr | 467 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 21 | 31 |

```
n ← spr5:9 || spr0:4
if length(SPREG(n)) = 64 then
    SPREG(n) ← (RS)
else
    SPREG(n) ← (RS)32:63(0:31)
```

The SPR field denotes a Special Purpose Register, encoded as shown in the table below. The contents of register RS are placed into the designated Special Purpose Register. For Special Purpose Registers that are 32 bits long, the low-order 32 bits of RS are placed into the SPR.

| decimal | SPR* | | Register name |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | spr _{5:9} | spr _{0:4} | |
| 1 | 00000 | 00001 | XER |
| 8 | 00000 | 01000 | LR |
| 9 | 00000 | 01001 | CTR |

* Note that the order of the two 5-bit halves of the SPR number is reversed.

Additional values of the SPR field are defined in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141, and others may be defined in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for the implementation. If the SPR field contains any value other than one of these implementation-specific values or one of the values shown above or in Book III, the instruction form is invalid. However, the only effect of executing an invalid instruction form in which spr₀=1 is to invoke either the system privileged instruction error handler or the system illegal instruction error handler.

Special Registers Altered:
See above

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Move To Special Purpose Register*:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| mtxr Rx | mtspr 1,Rx |
| mtlr Rx | mtspr 8,Rx |
| mtctr Rx | mtspr 9,Rx |

Compiler and Assembler Note

For the *mtspr* and *mfspir* instructions, the SPR number coded in assembler language does not appear directly as a 10-bit binary number in the instruction. The number coded is split into two 5-bit halves that are reversed in the instruction, with the high-order 5 bits appearing in bits 16:20 of the instruction and the low-order 5 bits in bits 11:15. This maintains compatibility with Power SPR encodings, in which these two instructions had only a 5-bit SPR field occupying bits 11:15.

Compatibility Note

For a discussion of Power compatibility with respect to SPR numbers not shown in the instruction descriptions for *mtspr* and *mfspir*, please refer to Appendix G, "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" on page 255. For compatibility with future versions of this architecture, only SPR numbers discussed in these instruction descriptions should be used.

Move From Special Purpose Register XFX-form

mfspr RT,SPR

| | | | | |
|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | spr | 339 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 21 | 31 |

```
n ← spr5:9 || spr0:4
if length(SPREG(n)) = 64 then
  RT ← SPREG(n)
else
  RT ← 320 || SPREG(n)
```

The SPR field denotes a Special Purpose Register, encoded as shown in the table below. The contents of the designated Special Purpose Register are placed into register RT. For Special Purpose Registers that are 32 bits long, the low-order 32 bits of RT receive the contents of the Special Purpose Register and the high-order 32 bits of RT are set to zero.

| decimal | SPR* | | Register name |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | spr _{5:9} | spr _{0:4} | |
| 1 | 00000 | 00001 | XER |
| 8 | 00000 | 01000 | LR |
| 9 | 00000 | 01001 | CTR |

* Note that the order of the two 5-bit halves of the SPR number is reversed.

Additional values of the SPR field are defined in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141, and others may be defined in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for the implementation. If the SPR field contains any value other than one of these implementation-specific values or one of the values shown above or in Book III, the instruction form is invalid. However, the only effect of executing an invalid instruction form in which spr₀=1 is to invoke either the system privileged instruction error handler or the system illegal instruction error handler.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Extended Mnemonics:

Examples of extended mnemonics for *Move From Special Purpose Register*:

| | | |
|------------------|--|-----------------------|
| <i>Extended:</i> | | <i>Equivalent to:</i> |
| mfxer Rx | | mfspr Rx,1 |
| mflr Rx | | mfspr Rx,8 |
| mfctr Rx | | mfspr Rx,9 |

Compiler/Assembler/Compatibility Notes

See the Notes that appear with *mtspr*.

Move To Condition Register Fields XFX-form

mtrcf FXM,RS

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | / | FXM | / | 144 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 12 | 20 | 21 | 31 |

```
mask ← 4(FXM0) || 4(FXM1) || ... 4(FXM7)
CR ← ((RS)32:63 & mask) | (CR & ~mask)
```

The contents of bits 32:63 of register RS are placed into the Condition Register under control of the field mask specified by FXM. The field mask identifies the 4-bit fields affected. Let *i* be an integer in the range 0-7. If FXM(*i*) = 1 then CR field *i* (CR bits 4*xi* through 4*xi*+3) is set to the contents of the corresponding field of the low-order 32 bits of RS.

Special Registers Altered:

CR fields selected by mask

Programming Note

Updating a proper subset of the eight fields of the Condition Register may have substantially poorer performance on some implementations than updating all of the fields.

Move to Condition Register from XER X-form

mcrxr BF

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | BF | // | /// | /// | 512 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
CR4×BF:4×BF+3 ← XER0:3
XER0:3 ← 0b0000
```

The contents of XER_{0:3} are copied into the Condition Register field designated by BF. XER_{0:3} is set to zero.

Special Registers Altered:

CR XER_{0:3}

Move From Condition Register X-form

mfcrr RT

| | | | | | |
|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 31 | RT | /// | /// | 19 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$RT \leftarrow {}^{32}0 \parallel CR$

The contents of the Condition Register are placed into $RT_{32:63}$. $RT_{0:31}$ are set to 0.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Chapter 4. Floating-Point Processor

4.1 Floating-Point Processor Overview

The Floating-Point Processor provides high performance execution of floating-point operations. Instructions are provided to perform arithmetic, conversion, comparison, and other operations in floating-point registers, and to move floating-point data between storage and these registers. Instructions in the first group are called “arithmetic instructions,” and instructions in the second group are called “storage access instructions.” Instructions are also provided that manipulate the Floating-Point Status and Control Register.

This architecture provides for the processor to implement a floating-point system as defined in ANSI/IEEE Standard 754-1985, “IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point Arithmetic” (hereafter referred to as “the IEEE standard”), but has a dependency on supporting software to be in “conformance” with that standard. All floating-point operations conform to that standard, except if software sets the Floating-Point Non-IEEE Mode (NI) bit in the Floating-Point Status and Control Register to 1 (see page 86), in which case floating-point operations do not necessarily conform to that standard.

A floating-point number consists of a signed exponent and a signed significand. The quantity expressed by this number is the product of the significand and the number 2^{exponent} . Encodings are provided in the data format to represent finite numeric values, \pm Infinity, and values which are “Not a Number” (NaN). Operations involving infinities produce results obeying traditional mathematical conventions. NaNs have no mathematical interpretation. Their encoding permits a variable diagnostic information field. They may be used to indicate such things as uninitialized variables and can be produced by certain invalid operations.

There is one class of exceptional events which occur during instruction execution which are unique to the Floating-Point Processor:

- Floating-Point Exception

Floating-point exceptions are signalled with bits set in the Floating-Point Status and Control Register (FPSCR). They can cause the system floating-point enabled exception error handler to be invoked, precisely or imprecisely, if the proper control bits are set.

Floating-Point Exceptions

The following floating-point exceptions are detected by the processor:

- Invalid Operation Exception (VX)
 - SNaN (VXSNaN)
 - Infinity–Infinity (VXISI)
 - Infinity÷Infinity (VXIDI)
 - Zero÷Zero (VXZDZ)
 - InfinityxZero (VXIMZ)
 - Invalid Compare (VXVC)
 - Software Request (VXSOFT)
 - Invalid Square Root (VXSQRT)
 - Invalid Integer Convert (VXCVI)
- Zero Divide Exception (ZX)
- Overflow Exception (OX)
- Underflow Exception (UX)
- Inexact Exception (XX)

Each floating-point exception, and each category of Invalid Operation Exception, has an exception bit in the FPSCR. In addition, each floating-point exception has a corresponding enable bit in the FPSCR. See Section 4.2.2, “Floating-Point Status and Control Register” on page 84, for a description of these exception and enable bits, and Section 4.4, “Floating-Point Exceptions” on page 90, for a detailed discussion of floating-point exceptions, including the effects of the enable bits.

4.2 Floating-Point Processor Registers

4.2.1 Floating-Point Registers

Implementations of this architecture provide 32 floating-point registers (FPR). The floating-point instruction formats provide a 5-bit field for specifying the FPRs to be used in the execution of the instruction. The FPRs are numbered 0-31.

Each FPR contains 64 bits which support the floating-point double format. Every instruction that interprets the contents of an FPR as a floating-point value uses the floating-point double format for this interpretation.

Every floating-point arithmetic instruction operates on data located in FPRs and, with the exception of the *Compare* instructions, places the result value into an FPR. Status information is placed into the Floating-Point Status and Control Register and in some cases into the Condition Register.

Load and store double instructions are provided that transfer 64 bits of data between storage and the FPRs in the Floating-Point Processor with no conversion. Load single instructions are provided to transfer and convert floating-point values in floating-point single format from storage to the same value in floating-point double format in the FPRs. Store single instructions are provided to transfer and convert floating-point values in floating-point double format from the FPRs to the same value in floating-point single format in storage.

Single- and double-precision arithmetic instructions accept values from the FPRs in double format. For single-precision arithmetic instructions, all input values must be representable in single format: if they are not, the result placed into the target FPR, and the setting of status bits in the FPSCR and in the Condition Register (if $Rc = 1$), are undefined.

The arithmetic instructions produce intermediate results which may be regarded as being infinitely precise. After normalization or denormalization, if the infinitely precise intermediate result is not representable in the destination format (either 32-bit or 64-bit) then it is rounded. The final result is then placed into the FPR in the double format.

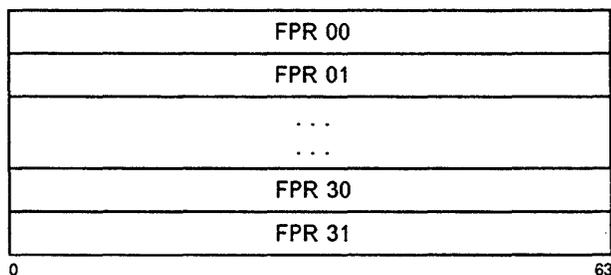


Figure 23. Floating-Point Registers

4.2.2 Floating-Point Status and Control Register

The Floating-Point Status and Control Register (FPSCR) controls the handling of floating-point exceptions and records status resulting from the floating-point operations. Bits 0:23 are status bits. Bits 24:31 are control bits.

The exception bits in the FPSCR (bits 0:12, 21:23) are sticky, with the exception of Floating-Point Enabled Exception Summary (FEX) and Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception Summary (VX). That is, once set the sticky bits remain set until they are cleared by an *mcrfs*, *mtfsfi*, *mtfsf*, or *mtfsb0* instruction.

FEX and VX are simply the ORs of other FPSCR bits. Therefore these two bits are not listed among the FPSCR bits affected by the various instructions.

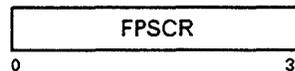


Figure 24. Floating-Point Status and Control Register

The format of the FPSCR is:

Bit(s) Description

- 0 **Floating-Point Exception Summary (FX)**
Every floating-point instruction shall implicitly set $FPSCR_{FX}$ if that instruction causes any of the floating-point exception bits in the FPSCR to transition from 0 to 1. *mcrfs* shall implicitly reset $FPSCR_{FX}$ if the FPSCR field containing $FPSCR_{FX}$ is copied. *mtfsf*, *mtfsfi*, *mtfsb0*, and *mtfsb1* shall be able to set or clear $FPSCR_{FX}$ explicitly.
- 1 **Floating-Point Enabled Exception Summary (FEX)**
This bit signals the occurrence of any of the enabled exception conditions. It is the OR of all the floating-point exceptions masked with their respective enables. *mcrfs* shall implicitly reset $FPSCR_{FEX}$ if the result of the logical operation described above becomes zero. *mtfsf*, *mtfsfi*, *mtfsb0*, and *mtfsb1* cannot set or clear $FPSCR_{FEX}$ explicitly.
- 2 **Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception Summary (VX)**
This bit signals the occurrence of any invalid operation exception. It is the OR of all the Invalid Operation exceptions. *mcrfs* shall implicitly reset $FPSCR_{VX}$ if the result of the logical operation described above becomes zero. *mtfsf*, *mtfsfi*, *mtfsb0*, and *mtfsb1* cannot set or clear $FPSCR_{VX}$ explicitly.
- 3 **Floating-Point Overflow Exception (OX)**
See Section 4.4.3, "Overflow Exception" on page 94.

- 4 Floating-Point Underflow Exception (UX)**
See Section 4.4.4, "Underflow Exception" on page 94.
- 5 Floating-Point Zero Divide Exception (ZX)**
See Section 4.4.2, "Zero Divide Exception" on page 94.
- 6 Floating-Point Inexact Exception (XX)**
See Section 4.4.5, "Inexact Exception" on page 95.
FPSCR_{XX} is a sticky version of FPSCR_{FI} (see below). Thus the following rules completely describe how FPSCR_{XX} is set by a given instruction.
- If the instruction affects FPSCR_{FI}, the new value of FPSCR_{XX} is obtained by ORing the old value of FPSCR_{XX} with the new value of FPSCR_{FI}.
 - If the instruction does not affect FPSCR_{FI}, the value of FPSCR_{XX} is unchanged.
- 7 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception (SNaN) (VXSNaN)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 8 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception ($\infty - \infty$) (VXIS!)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 9 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception ($\infty \div \infty$) (VXIDI)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 10 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception ($0 \div 0$) (VXZDZ)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 11 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception ($\infty \times 0$) (VXIMZ)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 12 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception (Invalid Compare) (VXVC)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 13 Floating-Point Fraction Rounded (FR)**
The last floating-point instruction that potentially rounded the intermediate result incremented the fraction (see Section 4.3.6, "Rounding" on page 90). This bit is not sticky.
- 14 Floating-Point Fraction Inexact (FI)**
The last floating-point instruction that potentially rounded the intermediate result produced an inexact fraction or a disabled Overflow Exception (see Section 4.3.6, "Rounding" on page 90). This bit is not sticky.

See the definition of FPSCR_{XX}, above, regarding the relationship between FPSCR_{FI} and FPSCR_{XX}.
- 15:19 Floating-Point Result Flags (FPRF)**
This field is set as described below. For floating-point instructions other than the *Compare* instructions, the field is set based on the result placed into the target register, except that if any portion of the result is undefined then the value placed into the FPRF is undefined.
- 15 Floating-Point Result Class Descriptor (C)**
Floating-point instructions other than the *Compare* instructions may set this bit with the FPCC bits, to indicate the class of the result as shown in Figure 25 on page 86.
- 16:19 Floating-Point Condition Code (FPCC)**
Floating-point *Compare* instructions set one of the FPCC bits to one and the other three FPCC bits to zero. Other floating-point instructions may set the FPCC bits with the C bit, to indicate the class of the result as shown in Figure 25 on page 86. Note that in this case the high-order three bits of the FPCC retain their relational significance indicating that the value is less than, greater than, or equal to zero.
- 16 Floating-Point Less Than or Negative (FL or <)**
- 17 Floating-Point Greater Than or Positive (FG or >)**
- 18 Floating-Point Equal or Zero (FE or =)**
- 19 Floating-Point Unordered or NaN (FU or ?)**
- 20 Reserved**
- 21 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception (Software Request) (VXSOFT)**
This bit can be altered only by *mcrfs*, *mtfsfi*, *mtfsf*, *mtfsb0*, or *mtfsb1*. See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 22 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception (Invalid Square Root) (VXSQRT)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- Programming Note**

If the implementation does not support the *Floating Square Root* instruction or the *Floating Reciprocal Square Root Estimate* instruction, software can simulate the instruction and set this bit to reflect the exception.
- 23 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception (Invalid Integer Convert) (VXCVI)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.
- 24 Floating-Point Invalid Operation Exception Enable (VE)**
See Section 4.4.1, "Invalid Operation Exception" on page 93.

- 25 **Floating-Point Overflow Exception Enable (OE)**
See Section 4.4.3, "Overflow Exception" on page 94.
- 26 **Floating-Point Underflow Exception Enable (UE)**
See Section 4.4.4, "Underflow Exception" on page 94.
- 27 **Floating-Point Zero Divide Exception Enable (ZE)**
See Section 4.4.2, "Zero Divide Exception" on page 94.
- 28 **Floating-Point Inexact Exception Enable (XE)**
See Section 4.4.5, "Inexact Exception" on page 95.
- 29 **Floating-Point Non-IEEE Mode (NI)**
If this bit is set to 1, the remaining FPSCR bits may have meanings other than those given in this document, and the results of floating-point instructions need not conform to the IEEE standard. If the IEEE-conforming result of a floating-point arithmetic instruction would be a denormalized number, the result of that instruction is 0 (with the same sign as the denormalized number) if $FPSCR_{NI}=1$ and other requirements specified in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*, for the implementation are met. The other effects of setting this bit to 1 are described in Book IV, and may differ between implementations.
- 30:31 **Floating-Point Rounding Control (RN)**
See Section 4.3.6, "Rounding" on page 90.
- 00 Round to Nearest
 - 01 Round toward Zero
 - 10 Round toward +Infinity
 - 11 Round toward -Infinity

| Result Flags | Result Value Class |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| C < > = ? | |
| 1 0 0 0 1 | Quiet NaN |
| 0 1 0 0 1 | - Infinity |
| 0 1 0 0 0 | - Normalized Number |
| 1 1 0 0 0 | - Denormalized Number |
| 1 0 0 1 0 | - Zero |
| 0 0 0 1 0 | + Zero |
| 1 0 1 0 0 | + Denormalized Number |
| 0 0 1 0 0 | + Normalized Number |
| 0 0 1 0 1 | + Infinity |

Figure 25. Floating-Point Result Flags

4.3 Floating-Point Data

4.3.1 Data Format

This architecture defines the representation of a floating-point value in two different binary fixed length formats. The format may be a 32-bit single format for a single-precision value or a 64-bit double format for a double-precision value. The single format may be used for data in storage. The double format format may be used for data in storage and for data in floating-point registers.

The length of the exponent and the fraction fields differ between these two formats. The structure of the single and double formats is shown below:

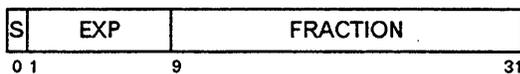


Figure 26. Floating-Point Single Format

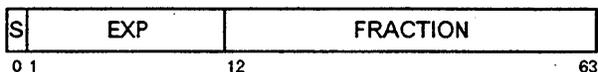


Figure 27. Floating-Point Double Format

Values in floating-point format are composed of three fields:

S sign bit
EXP exponent + bias
FRACTION fraction

If only a portion of a floating-point data item in storage is accessed, such as with a load or store instruction for a byte or halfword (or word in the case of floating-point double format), the value affected will depend on whether the PowerPC system is operating with Big-Endian byte order (the default), or Little-Endian byte order. See Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235.

Representation of numerical values in the floating-point formats consist of a sign bit S, a biased exponent EXP, and the fraction portion FRACTION of the significand. The significand consists of a leading implied bit concatenated on the right with the FRACTION. This leading implied bit is a one for normalized numbers and a zero for denormalized numbers and is located in the unit bit position (i.e. the first bit to the left of the binary point). Values representable within the two floating-point formats can be specified by the parameters listed in Figure 28 on page 87.

| | Format | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| | Single | Double |
| Exponent Bias | + 127 | + 1023 |
| Maximum Exponent | + 127 | + 1023 |
| Minimum Exponent | -126 | -1022 |
| Widths (bits) | | |
| Format | 32 | 64 |
| Sign | 1 | 1 |
| Exponent | 8 | 11 |
| Fraction | 23 | 52 |
| Significand | 24 | 53 |

Figure 28. IEEE Floating-Point Fields

The architecture requires that the FPRs of the Floating-Point Processor support the arithmetic instructions on values in the floating-point double format only.

4.3.2 Value Representation

This architecture defines numerical and non-numerical values representable within each of the two supported formats. The numerical values are approximations to the real numbers and include the normalized numbers, denormalized numbers, and zero values. The non-numerical values representable are the infinities, and the Not a Numbers (NaNs). The infinities are adjoined to the real numbers, but are not numbers themselves, and the standard rules of arithmetic do not hold when they appear in an operation. They are related to the reals by order alone. It is possible however to define restricted operations among numbers and infinities as defined below. The relative location on the real number line for each of the defined entities is shown in Figure 29.

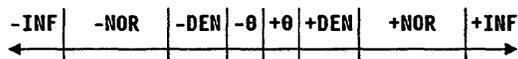


Figure 29. Approximation to Real Numbers

The NaNs are not related to the numbers or infinities by order or value but are encodings used to convey diagnostic information such as the representation of uninitialized variables.

The following is a description of the different floating-point values defined in the architecture:

Binary floating-point numbers

Machine representable values used as approximations to real numbers. Three categories of numbers are supported: normalized numbers, denormalized numbers, and zero values.

Normalized numbers (\pm NOR)

These are values which have a biased exponent value in the range:

- 1 to 254 in single format
- 1 to 2046 in double format

They are values in which the implied unit bit is one. Normalized numbers are interpreted as follows:

$$\text{NOR} = (-1)^s \times 2^E \times (1.\text{fraction})$$

where (s) is the sign, (E) is the unbiased exponent and (1.fraction) is the significand which is composed of a leading unit bit (implied bit) and a fraction part.

The ranges covered by the magnitude (M) of a normalized floating-point number are approximately equal to:

Single Format:

$$1.2 \times 10^{-38} \leq M \leq 3.4 \times 10^{38}$$

Double Format:

$$2.2 \times 10^{-308} \leq M \leq 1.8 \times 10^{308}$$

Zero values (\pm 0)

These are values which have a biased exponent value of zero and a fraction value of zero. Zeros can have a positive or negative sign. The sign of zero is ignored by comparison operations (i.e., comparison regards +0 as equal to -0).

Denormalized numbers (\pm DEN)

These are values which have a biased exponent value of zero and a non-zero fraction value. They are non-zero numbers smaller in magnitude than the representable normalized numbers. They are values in which the implied unit bit is zero. Denormalized numbers are interpreted as follows:

$$\text{DEN} = (-1)^s \times 2^{E_{\text{min}}} \times (0.\text{fraction})$$

where E_{min} is the minimum representable exponent value (-126 for single-precision, -1022 for double-precision).

Infinities (\pm ∞)

These are values which have the maximum biased exponent value:

- 255 in the single format
- 2047 in the double format

and a zero fraction value. They are used to approximate values greater in magnitude than the maximum normalized value.

Infinity arithmetic is defined as the limiting case of real arithmetic, with restricted operations defined among numbers and infinities. Infinities and the reals can be related by ordering in the affine sense:

$$-\infty < \text{every finite number} < +\infty$$

Arithmetic on infinities is always exact and does not signal any exception, except when an exception occurs due to the invalid operations as described in Section 4.4.1, “Invalid Operation Exception” on page 93.

Not a Numbers (NaNs)

These are values which have the maximum biased exponent value and a non-zero fraction value. The sign bit is ignored (i.e. NaNs are neither positive nor negative). If the high-order bit of the fraction field is a zero then the NaN is a *Signalling NaN*, otherwise it is a *Quiet NaN*.

Signalling NaNs are used to signal exceptions when they appear as arithmetic operands.

Quiet NaNs are used to represent the results of certain invalid operations, such as invalid arithmetic operations on infinities or on NaNs, when Invalid Operation Exception is disabled (FPSCR_{VE} = 0). Quiet NaNs propagate through all operations except ordered comparison, *Floating Round to Single-Precision*, and conversion to integer. Quiet NaNs do not signal exceptions, except for ordered comparison and conversion to integer operations. Specific encodings, in QNaNs, can thus be preserved through a sequence of operations, and used to convey diagnostic information to help identify results from invalid operations.

When a QNaN is the result of an operation because one of the operands is a NaN or because a QNaN was generated due to a disabled Invalid Operation Exception, then the following rule is applied to determine the NaN with the high-order fraction bit set to one that is to be stored as the result.

```

if (FRA) is a NaN
  then FRT ← (FRA)
  else if (FRB) is a NaN
    then if instruction is frsp
      then FRT ← (FRB)0:34 || 290
      else FRT ← (FRB)
    else if (FRC) is a NaN
      then FRT ← (FRC)
    else if generated QNaN
      then FRT ← generated QNaN

```

If the operand specified by FRA is a NaN, then that NaN is stored as the result. Otherwise, if the operand specified by FRB is a NaN (if the instruction specifies an FRB operand), then that NaN is stored as the result, with the low-order 29 bits of the result set to 0 if the instruction is *frsp*. Otherwise, if the operand specified by FRC is a NaN (if the instruction specifies an FRC operand), then that NaN is stored as the result. Otherwise, if a QNaN was generated due to a disabled Invalid Operation Exception, then that QNaN is stored as the result. If a QNaN is to be generated as a result, then the QNaN generated has a sign bit of zero, an exponent field of all ones, and a high-order fraction bit of one with all other fraction bits zero. Any instruction that generates a QNaN as the result of

a disabled Invalid Operation must generate this QNaN (i.e., 0x7FF8_0000_0000_0000).

A double-precision NaN is considered to be representable in single format if and only if the low-order 29 bits of the double-precision NaN’s fraction are zero.

4.3.3 Sign of Result

The following rules govern the sign of the result of an arithmetic operation, when the operation does not yield an exception. They apply even when the operands or results are zeros or infinities.

- The sign of the result of an addition operation is the sign of the operand having the larger absolute value. If both operands have the same sign, the sign of the result of an addition operation is the same as the sign of the operands. The sign of the result of the subtraction operation $x - y$ is the same as the sign of the result of the addition operation $x + (-y)$.

When the sum of two operands with opposite sign, or the difference of two operands with the same sign, is exactly zero, the sign of the result is positive in all rounding modes except Round toward $-\infty$, in which mode the sign is negative.

- The sign of the result of a multiplication or division operation is the Exclusive OR of the signs of the operands.
- The sign of the result of a *Square Root* or *Reciprocal Square Root Estimate* operation is always positive, except that the square root of -0 is -0 and the reciprocal square root of -0 is $-\infty$.
- The sign of the result of a *Round to Single-Precision* or *Convert to/from Integer* operation is the sign of the operand being converted.

For the *Multiply-Add* instructions, the rules given above are applied first to the multiplication operation and then to the addition or subtraction operation (one of the inputs to the addition or subtraction operation is the result of the multiplication operation).

4.3.4 Normalization and Denormalization

When an arithmetic operation produces an intermediate result, consisting of a sign bit, an exponent, and a non-zero significand with a zero leading bit, it is not a normalized number and must be normalized before it is stored.

A number is normalized by shifting its significand left while decrementing its exponent by one for each bit shifted, until the leading significand bit becomes one. The guard bit and the round bit (see Section 4.5.1, “Execution Model for IEEE Operations” on page 96)

participate in the shift with zeros shifted into the round bit. The exponent is regarded as if its range were unlimited. If the resulting exponent value is less than the minimum value that can be represented in the format specified for the result, the intermediate result is said to be "Tiny" and the stored result is determined by the rules described in Section 4.4.4, "Underflow Exception" on page 94. The sign of the number does not change.

When an arithmetic operation produces a non-zero intermediate result with an exponent value less than the minimum value that can be represented in the format specified for the result, the stored result is determined by the rules described in Section 4.4.4, "Underflow Exception" on page 94. This process may require denormalization.

A number is denormalized by shifting its significand right while incrementing its exponent by one for each bit shifted, until the exponent is equal to the format's minimum value. If any significant bits are lost in this shifting process then "Loss of Accuracy" has occurred (See Section 4.4.4, "Underflow Exception" on page 94) and Underflow Exception is signalled. The sign of the number does not change.

4.3.5 Data Handling and Precision

Instructions are defined to move floating-point data between the FPRs and storage. For double format data the data is not altered during the move. For single format data, a format conversion from single to double is performed when loading from storage into an FPR and a format conversion from double to single is performed when storing from an FPR to storage. No floating-point exceptions are raised during these operations.

All arithmetic operations are performed using floating-point double format.

Floating-point single-precision is obtained with the implementation of four types of instruction.

1. Load Floating-Point Single

This form of instruction accesses a single-precision operand in single format in storage, converts it to double-precision, and loads it into an FPR. *No exceptions are detected on the load operation.*

2. Round to Floating-Point Single-Precision

The *Floating Round to Single-Precision* instruction rounds a double-precision operand to single-precision if the operand is not already in single-precision range, checking the exponent for

single-precision range and handling any exceptions according to respective enable bits, and places that operand into an FPR as a double-precision operand. For results produced by single-precision arithmetic instructions and by single-precision loads, this operation does not alter the value.

3. Single-Precision Arithmetic Instructions

This form of instruction takes operands from the FPRs in double format, performs the operation as if it produced an intermediate result correct to infinite precision and with unbounded range, and then coerces this intermediate result to fit in single format. Status bits, in the FPSCR and in the Condition Register, are set to reflect the single-precision result. The result is then converted to double format and placed into an FPR. The result lies in the range supported by the single format.

All input values must be representable in single format: if they are not, the result placed into the target FPR, and the setting of status bits in the FPSCR and in the Condition Register (if $R_c=1$), are undefined.

4. Store Floating-Point Single

This form of instruction converts a double-precision operand to single format and stores that operand into storage. *No exceptions are detected on the store operation* (the value being stored is effectively assumed to be the result of an instruction of one of the preceding three types).

When the result of a *Load Floating-Point Single*, *Floating Round to Single-Precision*, or single-precision arithmetic instruction is stored in an FPR, the low-order 29 FRACTION bits are zero.

Programming Note

The *Floating Round to Single-Precision* instruction is provided to allow value conversion from double-precision to single-precision with appropriate exception checking and rounding. This instruction should be used to convert double-precision floating-point values (produced by double-precision load and arithmetic instructions) to single-precision values prior to storing them into single format storage elements or using them as operands for single-precision arithmetic instructions. Values produced by single-precision load and arithmetic instructions can be stored directly, or used directly as operands for single-precision arithmetic instructions, without preceding the store, or the arithmetic instruction, by a *Floating Round to Single-Precision* instruction.

Programming Note

A single-precision value can be used in double-precision arithmetic operations. The reverse is not necessarily true (it is true only if the double-precision value is representable in single format).

Some implementations may execute single-precision arithmetic instructions faster than double-precision arithmetic instructions. Therefore, if double-precision accuracy is not required, single-precision data and instructions should be used.

4.3.6 Rounding

With the exception of the two optional *Estimate* instructions, *Floating Reciprocal Estimate Single* and *Floating Reciprocal Square Root Estimate*, all arithmetic instructions defined by this architecture produce an intermediate result that can be regarded as being infinitely precise. This result must then be written with a precision of finite length into an FPR. After normalization or denormalization, if the infinitely precise intermediate result is not representable in the precision required by the instruction then it is rounded before being placed into the target FPR.

The instructions that potentially round their result are the *Arithmetic*, *Multiply-Add*, and *Rounding and Conversion* instructions. For a given instance of one of these instructions, whether rounding occurs depends on the values of the inputs. Each of these instructions sets FPSCR bits FR and FI, according to whether rounding occurred (FI) and whether the fraction was incremented (FR). If rounding occurred, FI is set to one, and FR may be set to either zero or one. If rounding did not occur, both FR and FI are set to zero.

The two *Estimate* instructions set FR and FI to undefined values. The remaining Floating-Point instructions do not alter FR and FI.

Four modes of rounding are provided which are user-selectable through the Floating-Point Rounding Control field in the FPSCR. See Section 4.2.2, "Floating-Point Status and Control Register" on page 84. These are encoded as follows:

| RN | Rounding Mode |
|----|------------------------|
| 00 | Round to Nearest |
| 01 | Round toward Zero |
| 10 | Round toward +Infinity |
| 11 | Round toward -Infinity |

Let Z be the infinitely precise intermediate arithmetic result or the operand of a convert operation. If Z can be represented exactly in the target format, then no rounding occurs, and the result in all rounding modes is equivalent to truncation of Z . If Z cannot be represented exactly in the target format, let Z_1 and

Z_2 be the next larger and next smaller numbers representable in the target format that bound Z , then Z_1 or Z_2 can be used to approximate the result in the target format.

Figure 30 shows the relation of Z , Z_1 , and Z_2 in this case. The following rules specify the rounding in the four modes. "LSB" means "least significant bit."

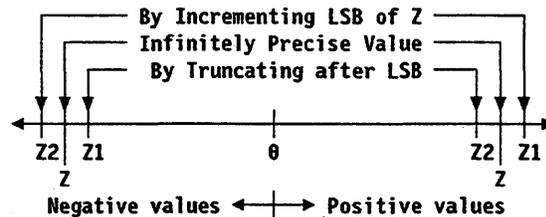


Figure 30. Selection of Z_1 and Z_2

Round to Nearest

Choose the best approximation of Z_1 or Z_2 . In case of a tie, choose the one which is even (least significant bit 0).

Round toward Zero

Choose the smaller in magnitude (Z_1 or Z_2).

Round toward +Infinity

Choose Z_1 .

Round toward -Infinity

Choose Z_2 .

See Section 4.5.1, "Execution Model for IEEE Operations" on page 96 for a detailed explanation of rounding.

If Z is to be rounded up and Z_1 does not exist (i.e., if there is no number larger than Z that is representable in the target format), then an Overflow Exception occurs if Z is positive and an Underflow Exception occurs if Z is negative. Similarly, if Z is to be rounded down and Z_2 does not exist, then an Overflow Exception occurs if Z is negative and an Underflow Exception occurs if Z is positive. The results in these cases are defined in Section 4.4, "Floating-Point Exceptions" on page 90.

4.4 Floating-Point Exceptions

This architecture defines the following floating-point exceptions:

- Invalid Operation Exception
 - SNaN
 - Infinity-Infinity
 - Infinity÷Infinity
 - Zero÷Zero
 - Infinity×Zero
 - Invalid Compare
 - Software Request
 - Invalid Square Root
 - Invalid Integer Convert

- Zero Divide Exception
- Overflow Exception
- Underflow Exception
- Inexact Exception

These exceptions may occur during execution of floating-point arithmetic instructions. In addition, an Invalid Operation Exception occurs when a *Status and Control Register* instruction sets $FPSCR_{VXSOF}$ to 1 (Software Request). An Invalid Square Root operation can occur only if at least one of the *Floating Square Root* instructions defined in Appendix A, “Optional Instructions” on page 209, is implemented.

Each floating-point exception, and each category of Invalid Operation Exception, has an exception bit in the FPSCR. In addition, each floating-point exception has a corresponding enable bit in the FPSCR. The exception bit indicates occurrence of the corresponding exception. If an exception occurs, the corresponding enable bit governs the result produced by the instruction and, in conjunction with the FE0 and FE1 bits (see page 92), whether and how the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked. (In general, the enabling specified by the enable bit is of invoking the system error handler, not of permitting the exception to occur. The occurrence of an exception depends only on the instruction and its inputs, not on the setting of any control bits. The only deviation from this general rule is that the occurrence of an Underflow Exception may depend on the setting of the enable bit.)

The Floating-Point Exception Summary bit (FX) in the FPSCR is set when any of the exception bits transitions from a zero to a one or when explicitly set by software. The Floating-Point Enabled Exception Summary bit (FEX) in the FPSCR is set when any of the exceptions is set and the exception is enabled (enable bit is one).

A single instruction, other than *mtfsfi* or *mtfsf*, may set more than one exception in the following cases:

- Inexact Exception may be set with Overflow Exception.
- Inexact Exception may be set with Underflow Exception.
- Invalid Operation Exception (SNaN) may be set with Invalid Operation Exception ($\infty \times 0$) for *Multiply-Add* instructions.
- Invalid Operation Exception (SNaN) may be set with Invalid Operation Exception (Invalid Compare) for *Compare Ordered* instructions.
- Invalid Operation Exception (SNaN) may be set with Invalid Operation Exception (Invalid Integer Convert) for *Convert to Integer* instructions.

When an exception occurs the instruction execution may be suppressed or a result may be delivered, depending on the exception.

Instruction execution is suppressed for the following kinds of exception, so that there is no possibility that one of the operands is lost.

- Enabled Invalid Operation
- Enabled Zero Divide

For the remaining kinds of exception, a result is generated and written to the destination specified by the instruction causing the exception. The result may be a different value for the enabled and disabled conditions for some of these exceptions. The kinds of exception that deliver a result are the following.

- Disabled Invalid Operation
- Disabled Zero Divide
- Disabled Overflow
- Disabled Underflow
- Disabled Inexact
- Enabled Overflow
- Enabled Underflow
- Enabled Inexact

Subsequent sections define each of the floating-point exceptions and specify the action that is taken when they are detected.

The IEEE standard specifies the handling of exceptional conditions in terms of “traps” and “trap handlers.” In this architecture, an FPSCR exception enable bit of 1 causes generation of the result value specified in the IEEE standard for the “trap enabled” case: the expectation is that the exception will be detected by software, which will revise the result. An FPSCR exception enable bit of 0 causes generation of the “default result” value specified for the “trap disabled” (or “no trap occurs” or “trap is not implemented”) case: the expectation is that the exception will not be detected by software, which will simply use the default result. The result to be delivered in each case for each exception is described in the sections below.

The IEEE default behavior when an exception occurs is to generate a default value and not to notify software. In this architecture, if the IEEE default behavior when an exception occurs is desired for all exceptions, all FPSCR exception enable bits should be set to 0 and Ignore Exceptions Mode (see below) should be used. In this case the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is not invoked, even if floating-point exceptions occur: software can inspect the FPSCR exception bits if necessary, to determine whether exceptions have occurred.

In this architecture, if software is to be notified that a given kind of exception has occurred, the corresponding FPSCR exception enable bit must be set to 1 and a mode other than Ignore Exceptions Mode must be used. In this case the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked if an enabled floating-point exception occurs.

Whether and how the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked if an enabled floating-point exception occurs is controlled by the FE0 and FE1 bits. The location of these bits and the requirements for altering them are described in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141. (The system floating-point enabled exception error handler is never invoked because of a disabled floating-point exception.) The effects of the four possible settings of these bits are as follows.

FE0 FE1 Description

- 0 0 Ignore Exceptions Mode**
Floating-point exceptions do not cause the system floating-point enabled exception error handler to be invoked.
- 0 1 Imprecise Nonrecoverable Mode**
The system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked at some point at or beyond the instruction that caused the enabled exception. It may not be possible to identify the excepting instruction nor the data that caused the exception. Results produced by the excepting instruction may have been used by or may have affected subsequent instructions that are executed before the error handler is invoked.
- 1 0 Imprecise Recoverable Mode**
The system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked at some point at or beyond the instruction that caused the enabled exception. Sufficient information is provided to the error handler that it can identify the excepting instruction and the operands, and correct the result. No results produced by the excepting instruction have been used by or have affected subsequent instructions that are executed before the error handler is invoked.
- 1 1 Precise Mode**
The system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked precisely at the instruction that caused the enabled exception.

In all cases the question of whether or not a floating-point result is stored, and what value is stored, is governed by the FPSCR exception enable bits, as described in subsequent sections, and is not affected by the value of the FE0 and FE1 bits.

In all cases in which the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked, all instructions before the instruction at which the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked have completed, and no instruction after the instruction at which the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked has been executed. (Recall that, for the two Imprecise modes, the instruction at

which the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked need not be the instruction that caused the exception.) The instruction at which the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is invoked has not been executed, unless it is the excepting instruction, in which case it has been executed unless the kind of exception is among those listed above as suppressed.

Programming Note

In any of the three non-Precise modes, a *Floating-Point Status and Control Register* instruction can be used to force any exceptions, due to instructions initiated before the *Floating-Point Status and Control Register* instruction, to be recorded in the FPSCR. (This forcing is superfluous for Precise Mode.)

In either of the Imprecise modes, a *Floating-Point Status and Control Register* instruction can be used to force any invocations of the system floating-point enabled exception error handler, due to instructions initiated before the *Floating-Point Status and Control Register* instruction, to occur. (This forcing has no effect in Ignore Exceptions Mode, and is superfluous for Precise Mode.)

A *sync* instruction, or any other execution synchronizing instruction or event (e.g., *isync*; see Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117), also has the effects described above. However, in order to obtain the best performance across the widest range of implementations, a *Floating-Point Status and Control Register* instruction should be used to obtain these effects.

In order to obtain the best performance across the widest range of implementations, the programmer should obey the following guidelines.

- If the IEEE default results are acceptable to the application, Ignore Exceptions Mode should be used, with all FPSCR exception enable bits set to 0.
- If the IEEE default results are not acceptable to the application, Imprecise Non-Recoverable Mode should be used, or Imprecise Recoverable Mode if recoverability is needed, with FPSCR exception enable bits set to 1 for those exceptions for which the system floating-point enabled exception error handler is to be invoked.
- Ignore Exceptions Mode should not, in general, be used when any FPSCR exception enable bits are set to 1.
- Precise Mode may degrade performance in some implementations, perhaps substantially, and therefore should be used only for debugging and other specialized applications.

4.4.1 Invalid Operation Exception

4.4.1.1 Definition

An Invalid Operation Exception occurs whenever an operand is invalid for the specified operation. The invalid operations are:

- Any operation, except *Load*, *Store*, *Move*, *Select*, and *mtfsf*, on a signalling NaN (SNaN)
- For add or subtract operations, magnitude subtraction of infinities ($\infty - \infty$)
- Division of infinity by infinity ($\infty \div \infty$)
- Division of zero by zero ($0 \div 0$)
- Multiplication of infinity by zero ($\infty \times 0$)
- Ordered comparison involving a NaN (Invalid Compare)
- Square root or reciprocal square root of a negative (and non-zero) number (Invalid Square Root)
- Integer convert involving a large number, an infinity, or a NaN (Invalid Integer Convert)

In addition, an Invalid Operation Exception occurs if software explicitly requests this by executing a *mtfsfi*, *mtfsf*, or *mtfsb1* instruction that sets $FPSCR_{VXSOF}$ to 1 (Software Request). An Invalid Square Root operation can occur only if at least one of the *Floating Square Root* instructions defined in Appendix A, "Optional Instructions" on page 209, is implemented.

Programming Note

The purpose of $FPSCR_{VXSOF}$ is to allow software to cause an Invalid Operation Exception for a condition that is not necessarily associated with the execution of a floating-point instruction. For example, it might be set by a program that computes a square root, if the source operand is negative.

4.4.1.2 Action

The action to be taken depends on the setting of the Invalid Operation Exception Enable bit of the FPSCR.

When Invalid Operation Exception is enabled ($FPSCR_{VE} = 1$) and Invalid Operation occurs or software explicitly requests the exception then the following actions are taken:

1. One or two Invalid Operation Exceptions is set

| | |
|------------------|----------------------------|
| $FPSCR_{VXSNAN}$ | (if SNaN) |
| $FPSCR_{VXISI}$ | (if $\infty - \infty$) |
| $FPSCR_{VXIDI}$ | (if $\infty \div \infty$) |
| $FPSCR_{VXZDZ}$ | (if $0 \div 0$) |
| $FPSCR_{VXIMZ}$ | (if $\infty \times 0$) |
| $FPSCR_{VXVC}$ | (if invalid comp) |
| $FPSCR_{VXSOF}$ | (if software req) |
| $FPSCR_{VXSQRT}$ | (if invalid sqrt) |

2. If the operation is an arithmetic, *Floating Round to Single-Precision*, or convert to integer operation,
 - $FPSCR_{VXCVI}$ (if invalid int cvrt)
 - the target FPR is unchanged
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI}$ are set to zero
 - $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is unchanged
3. If the operation is a compare,
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI C}$ are unchanged
 - $FPSCR_{FPCC}$ is set to reflect unordered
4. If software explicitly requests the exception,
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI PPRF}$ are as set by the *mtfsfi*, *mtfsf*, or *mtfsb1* instruction

When Invalid Operation Exception is disabled ($FPSCR_{VE} = 0$) and Invalid Operation occurs or software explicitly requests the exception then the following actions are taken:

1. One or two Invalid Operation Exceptions is set
 - $FPSCR_{VXSNAN}$ (if SNaN)
 - $FPSCR_{VXISI}$ (if $\infty - \infty$)
 - $FPSCR_{VXIDI}$ (if $\infty \div \infty$)
 - $FPSCR_{VXZDZ}$ (if $0 \div 0$)
 - $FPSCR_{VXIMZ}$ (if $\infty \times 0$)
 - $FPSCR_{VXVC}$ (if invalid comp)
 - $FPSCR_{VXSOF}$ (if software req)
 - $FPSCR_{VXSQRT}$ (if invalid sqrt)
 - $FPSCR_{VXCVI}$ (if invalid int cvrt)
2. If the operation is an arithmetic or *Floating Round to Single-Precision* operation
 - the target FPR is set to a Quiet NaN
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI}$ are set to zero
 - $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is set to indicate the class of the result (Quiet NaN)
3. If the operation is a convert to 32-bit integer operation,
 - the target FPR is set as follows:
 - $FRT_{0:31} \leftarrow$ undefined
 - $FRT_{32:63}$ are set to the most positive 32-bit integer if the operand in FRB is a positive number or $+\infty$, and to the most negative 32-bit integer if the operand in FRB is a negative number, $-\infty$, or NaN
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI}$ are set to zero
 - $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is undefined
4. If the operation is a convert to 64-bit integer operation,
 - the target FPR is set as follows:
 - FRT is set to the most positive 64-bit integer if the operand in FRB is a positive number or $+\infty$, and to the most negative 64-bit integer if the operand in FRB is a negative number, $-\infty$, or NaN
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI}$ are set to zero
 - $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is undefined
5. If the operation is a compare,
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI C}$ are unchanged
 - $FPSCR_{FPCC}$ is set to reflect unordered
6. If software explicitly requests the exception,
 - $FPSCR_{FR FI PPRF}$ are as set by the *mtfsfi*, *mtfsf*, or *mtfsb1* instruction

4.4.2 Zero Divide Exception

4.4.2.1 Definition

A Zero Divide Exception occurs when a *Divide* instruction is executed with a zero divisor value and a finite non-zero dividend value. It also occurs when a *Reciprocal Estimate* instruction (*fres* or *frsqste*) is executed with an operand value of zero.

4.4.2.2 Action

The action to be taken depends on the setting of the Zero Divide Exception Enable bit of the FPSCR.

When Zero Divide Exception is enabled (FPSCR_{ZE}=1) and Zero Divide occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Zero Divide Exception is set
FPSCR_{ZX} ← 1
2. The target FPR is unchanged
3. FPSCR_{FR FI} are set to zero
4. FPSCR_{FPRF} is unchanged

When Zero Divide Exception is disabled (FPSCR_{ZE}=0) and Zero Divide occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Zero Divide Exception is set
FPSCR_{ZX} ← 1
2. The target FPR is set to a ±Infinity, where the sign is determined by the XOR of the signs of the operands
3. FPSCR_{FR FI} are set to zero
4. FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to indicate the class and sign of the result (±Infinity)

4.4.3 Overflow Exception

4.4.3.1 Definition

Overflow occurs when the magnitude of what would have been the rounded result if the exponent range were unbounded exceeds that of the largest finite number of the specified result precision.

4.4.3.2 Action

The action to be taken depends on the setting of the Overflow Exception Enable bit of the FPSCR.

When Overflow Exception is enabled (FPSCR_{OE}=1) and exponent overflow occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Overflow Exception is set
FPSCR_{OX} ← 1
2. For double-precision arithmetic instructions, the exponent of the normalized intermediate result is adjusted by subtracting 1536

3. For single-precision arithmetic instructions and the *Floating Round to Single-Precision* instruction, the exponent of the normalized intermediate result is adjusted by subtracting 192
4. The adjusted rounded result is placed into the target FPR
5. FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to indicate the class and sign of the result (±Normal Number)

When Overflow Exception is disabled (FPSCR_{OE}=0) and overflow occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Overflow Exception is set
FPSCR_{OX} ← 1
2. Inexact Exception is set
FPSCR_{XX} ← 1
3. The result is determined by the rounding mode (FPSCR_{RN}) and the sign of the intermediate result as follows:
 - A. Round to Nearest
Store ±Infinity, where the sign is the sign of the intermediate result
 - B. Round toward Zero
Store the format's largest finite number with the sign of the intermediate result
 - C. Round toward +Infinity
For negative overflow, store the format's most negative finite number; for positive overflow, store +Infinity
 - D. Round toward -Infinity
For negative overflow, store -Infinity; for positive overflow, store the format's largest finite number
4. The result is placed into the target FPR
5. FPSCR_{FR} is undefined
6. FPSCR_{FI} is set to one
7. FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to indicate the class and sign of the result (±Infinity or ±Normal Number)

4.4.4 Underflow Exception

4.4.4.1 Definition

Underflow Exception is defined separately for the enabled and disabled states:

- Enabled:
Underflow occurs when the intermediate result is "Tiny."
- Disabled:
Underflow occurs when the intermediate result is "Tiny" and there is "Loss of Accuracy."

A "Tiny" result is detected before rounding, when a non-zero result value computed as though the exponent range were unbounded would be less in magnitude than the smallest normalized number.

If the intermediate result is "Tiny" and the Underflow Exception Enable is off (FPSCR_{UE}=0) then the intermediate result is denormalized (Section 4.3.4, "Normalization and Denormalization" on page 88) and

rounded (Section 4.3.6, “Rounding” on page 90) before being placed into the target FPR.

“Loss of Accuracy” is detected when the delivered result value differs from what would have been computed were both the exponent range and precision unbounded.

4.4.4.2 Action

The action to be taken depends on the setting of the Underflow Exception Enable bit of the FPSCR.

When Underflow Exception is enabled ($FPSCR_{UE}=1$) and exponent underflow occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Underflow Exception is set
 $FPSCR_{UX} \leftarrow 1$
2. For double-precision arithmetic and conversion instructions, the exponent of the normalized intermediate result is adjusted by adding 1536
3. For single-precision arithmetic instructions and the *Floating Round to Single-Precision* instruction, the exponent of the normalized intermediate result is adjusted by adding 192
4. The adjusted rounded result is placed into the target FPR
5. $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is set to indicate the class and sign of the result (\pm Normalized Number)

Programming Note

The FR and FI bits are provided to allow the system floating-point enabled exception error handler, when invoked because of an Underflow Exception, to simulate a “trap disabled” environment. That is, the FR and FI bits allow the system floating-point enabled exception error handler to unround the result, thus allowing the result to be denormalized.

When Underflow Exception is disabled ($FPSCR_{UE}=0$) and underflow occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Underflow Exception is set
 $FPSCR_{UX} \leftarrow 1$
2. The rounded result is placed into the target FPR
3. $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is set to indicate the class and sign of the result (\pm Denormalized Number or \pm Zero)

4.4.5 Inexact Exception

4.4.5.1 Definition

Inexact Exception occurs when one of two conditions occur during rounding:

1. The rounded result differs from the intermediate result assuming the intermediate result exponent range and precision to be unbounded.
2. The rounded result overflows and Overflow Exception is disabled.

4.4.5.2 Action

The action to be taken does not depend on the setting of the Inexact Exception Enable bit of the FPSCR.

When Inexact Exception occurs then the following actions are taken:

1. Inexact Exception is set
 $FPSCR_{XX} \leftarrow 1$
2. The rounded or overflowed result is placed into the target FPR
3. $FPSCR_{FPRF}$ is set to indicate the class and sign of the result

Programming Note

In some implementations, enabling Inexact Exceptions may degrade performance more than enabling other types of floating-point exception.

4.5 Floating-Point Execution Models

All implementations of this architecture must provide the equivalent of the following execution models to insure that identical results are obtained.

Special rules are provided in the definition of the arithmetic instructions for the infinities, denormalized numbers and NaNs.

Although the double format specifies an 11-bit exponent, exponent arithmetic makes use of two additional bit positions to avoid potential transient overflow conditions. One extra bit is required when denormalized double-precision numbers are prenormalized. The second bit is required to permit the computation of the adjusted exponent value in the following cases when the corresponding exception enable bits is one:

- Underflow during multiplication using a denormalized factor.
- Overflow during division using a denormalized divisor.

The IEEE standard includes 32-bit and 64-bit arithmetic. The standard requires that single-precision arithmetic be provided for single-precision operands. The standard permits double-precision arithmetic instructions to have either (or both) single-precision or double-precision operands, but states that single-precision arithmetic instructions should not accept double-precision operands. The PowerPC Architecture follows these guidelines: double-precision arithmetic instructions can have operands of either or both precisions, while single-precision arithmetic instructions require all operands to be single-precision. Double-precision arithmetic instructions produce double-precision values, while single-precision arithmetic instructions produce single-precision values.

For arithmetic instructions, conversions from double-precision to single-precision must be done explicitly by software, while conversions from single-precision to double-precision are done implicitly.

4.5.1 Execution Model for IEEE Operations

The following description uses 64-bit arithmetic as an example. 32-bit arithmetic is similar except that the FRACTION is a 23-bit field, and the single-precision Guard, Round, and Sticky bits (described in this section) are logically adjacent to the 23-bit FRACTION field.

IEEE-conforming significand arithmetic is considered to be performed with a floating-point accumulator having the following format:



Figure 31. IEEE 64-bit Execution Model

The S bit is the sign bit.

The C bit is the carry bit that captures the carry out of the significand.

The L bit is the leading unit bit of the significand which receives the implicit bit from the operands.

The FRACTION is a 52-bit field which accepts the fraction of the operands.

The Guard (G), Round (R), and Sticky (X) bits are extensions to the low order bits of the accumulator. The G and R bits are required for post normalization of the result. The G, R, and X bits are required during rounding to determine if the intermediate result is equally near the two nearest representable values. The X bit serves as an extension to the G and R bits by representing the logical OR of all bits which may appear to the low-order side of the R bit, either due to shifting the accumulator right or other generation of

low-order result bits. The G and R bits participate in the left shifts with zeros being shifted into the R bit. Figure 32 shows the significance of the G, R, and X bits with respect to the intermediate result (IR), the next lower in magnitude representable number (NL), and the next higher in magnitude representable number (NH).

| G R X | Interpretation |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 0 0 0 | IR is exact |
| 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 1 | IR closer to NL |
| 1 0 0 | IR midway between NL & NH |
| 1 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 | IR closer to NH |

Figure 32. Interpretation of G, R, and X bits

The significand of the intermediate result is made up of the L bit, the FRACTION, and the G,R and X bits.

The infinitely precise intermediate result of an operation is the result normalized in bits L, FRACTION, G, R, and X of the floating-point accumulator.

Before the results are stored into an FPR, the significand is rounded if necessary, using the rounding mode specified by FPSCR_{RN}. If rounding results in a carry into C, the significand is shifted right one position and the exponent incremented by one. This yields an inexact result and possibly also exponent overflow. Fraction bits to the left of the bit position used for rounding are stored into the FPR and low-order bit positions, if any, are set to zero.

Four rounding modes are provided which are user-selectable through FPSCR_{RN} as described in Section 4.3.6, "Rounding" on page 90. For rounding, the conceptual Guard, Round, and Sticky bits are defined in terms of accumulator bits. Figure 33 shows the positions of the Guard, Round, and Sticky bits for double-precision and single-precision floating-point numbers.

| Format | Guard | Round | Sticky |
|--------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Double | G bit | R bit | X bit |
| Single | 24 | 25 | 26:52 G,R,X |

Figure 33. Location of the Guard, Round and Sticky Bits

Rounding can be treated as though the significand were shifted right, if required, until the least significant bit to be retained is in the low-order bit position of the FRACTION. If any of the Guard, Round, or Sticky bits is non-zero, then the result is inexact.

Z1 and Z2, as defined on page 90, can be used to approximate the result in the target format when one of the following rules is used.

- **Round to Nearest**

- **Guard bit = 0**

- The result is truncated. (Result exact (GRX = 000) or closest to next lower value in magnitude (GRX = 001, 010, or 011))

- **Guard bit = 1**

- Depends on Round and Sticky bits:

- **Case a**

- If the Round or Sticky bit is one (inclusive), the result is incremented. (Result closest to next higher value in magnitude (GRX = 101, 110, or 111))

- **Case b**

- If the Round and Sticky bits are zero (result midway between closest representable values) then if the low-order bit of the result is one the result is incremented. Otherwise (the low-order bit of the result is zero) the result is truncated (this is the case of a tie rounded to even).

If during the Round to Nearest process, truncation of the unrounded number would produce the maximum magnitude for the specified precision, then the following action is taken:

- **Guard bit = 1**

- Store infinity with the sign of the unrounded result.

- **Guard bit = 0**

- Store the truncated (maximum magnitude) value.

- **Round toward Zero**

- Choose the smaller in magnitude of Z1 or Z2. See "Rounding" on page 90 for the definitions of Z1 and Z2. If Guard, Round, or Sticky bit is non-zero, the result is inexact.

- **Round toward +Infinity**

- Choose Z1. See "Rounding" on page 90 for the definition of Z1.

- **Round toward -Infinity**

- Choose Z2. See "Rounding" on page 90 for the definition of Z2.

Where the result is to have fewer than 53 bits of precision because the instruction is a *Floating Round to Single-Precision* or single-precision arithmetic instruction, the intermediate result either is normalized or is placed in correct denormalized form before the result is potentially rounded.

4.5.2 Execution Model for Multiply-Add Type Instructions

The PowerPC Architecture makes use of a special form of instruction which performs up to three operations in one instruction (a multiply, an add and a negate). With this added capability is the special feature of being able to produce a more exact intermediate result as an input to the rounder. 32-bit arithmetic is similar except that the FRACTION field is smaller.

The multiply-add operations produce intermediate results conforming to the following model:



Figure 34. Multiply-Add Execution Model

The first part of the operation is a multiply. The multiply has two 53-bit significands as inputs, which are assumed to be prenormalized, and produces a result conforming to the above model. If there is a carry out of the significand (into the C bit), then the significand is shifted right one position, shifting the L bit (leading unit bit) into the most significant bit of the fraction and shifting the C bit (carry out) into the L bit. All 106 bits (L bit, the fraction) of the product take part in the add operation. If the exponents of the two inputs to the adder are not equal, the significand of the operand with the smaller exponent is aligned (shifted) to the right by an amount which is added to that exponent to make it equal to the other input's exponent. Zeros are shifted into the left of the significand as it is aligned and bits shifted out of bit 105 of the significand are ORed into the X' bit. The add operation also produces a result conforming to the above model with the X' bit taking part in the add operation.

The result of the add is then normalized, with all bits of the add result, except the X' bit, participating in the shift. The normalized result provides an intermediate result as input to the rounder which conforms to the model described in Section 4.5.1, "Execution Model for IEEE Operations" on page 96, where:

- The Guard bit is bit 53 of the intermediate result.
- The Round bit is bit 54 of the intermediate result.
- The Sticky bit is the OR of all remaining bits to the right of bit 55, inclusive.

The rules of rounding the intermediate result are the same as the described in Section 4.5.1, "Execution Model for IEEE Operations" on page 96.

If the instruction is *Floating Negative Multiply-Add* or *Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract* the final result is negated.

Status bits are set to reflect the result of the entire operation: e.g., no status is recorded for the result of the multiplication part of the operation.

4.6 Floating-Point Processor Instructions

4.6.1 Floating-Point Storage Access Instructions

The *Storage Access* instructions compute the effective address (EA) of the storage to be accessed as described in Section 1.11.2, "Effective Address Calculation" on page 15.

The order of bytes accessed by floating-point loads and stores is Big-Endian, unless Little-Endian storage ordering is selected as described in Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235.

Programming Note

The "la" extended mnemonic permits computing an Effective Address as a *Load* or *Store* instruction would, but loads the address itself into a GPR rather than loading the value that is in storage at that address. This extended mnemonic is described in "Load Address" on page 234.

4.6.1.1 Storage Access Exceptions

Storage accesses will cause the system error handler to be invoked if the program is not allowed to modify the target storage (*Store* only), or if the program attempts to access storage that is unavailable.

4.6.2 Floating-Point Load Instructions

There are two basic forms of load instruction, single-precision and double-precision. Because the FPRs support only floating-point double format, single-precision *Load Floating-Point* instructions convert single-precision data to double format prior to loading the operands into the target FPR. The conversion and loading steps are as follows:

Let $WORD_{0:31}$ be the floating-point single-precision operand accessed from storage.

Normalized Operand

if $WORD_{1:8} > 0$ and $WORD_{1:8} < 255$ then
 $FRT_{0:1} \leftarrow WORD_{0:1}$
 $FRT_2 \leftarrow \neg WORD_1$
 $FRT_3 \leftarrow \neg WORD_1$
 $FRT_4 \leftarrow \neg WORD_1$
 $FRT_{5:63} \leftarrow WORD_{2:31} \parallel 290$

Denormalized Operand

if $WORD_{1:8} = 0$ and $WORD_{9:31} \neq 0$ then
 $sign \leftarrow WORD_0$
 $exp \leftarrow -126$
 $frac_{0:52} \leftarrow 0b0 \parallel WORD_{9:31} \parallel 290$
 normalize the operand
 Do while $frac_0 = 0$
 $frac \leftarrow frac_{1:52} \parallel 0b0$
 $exp \leftarrow exp - 1$
 End
 $FRT_0 \leftarrow sign$
 $FRT_{1:11} \leftarrow exp + 1023$
 $FRT_{12:63} \leftarrow frac_{1:52}$

Zero / Infinity / NaN

if $WORD_{1:8} = 255$ or $WORD_{1:31} = 0$ then
 $FRT_{0:1} \leftarrow WORD_{0:1}$
 $FRT_2 \leftarrow WORD_1$
 $FRT_3 \leftarrow WORD_1$
 $FRT_4 \leftarrow WORD_1$
 $FRT_{5:63} \leftarrow WORD_{2:31} \parallel 290$

For double-precision *Load Floating-Point* instructions, no conversion is required as the data from storage is copied directly into the FPR.

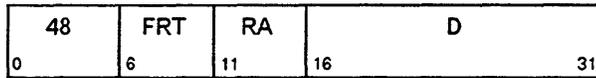
Many of the *Load Floating-Point* instructions have an "update" form, in which register RA is updated with the effective address. For these forms, if $RA \neq 0$, the effective address is placed into register RA and the storage element (word or doubleword) addressed by EA is loaded into FRT.

Note: Recall that RA, RB, and RT denote General Purpose Registers, while FRA, FRB, FRC and FRT denote Floating-Point Registers.

Byte order of PowerPC is Big-Endian by default; see Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235 for PowerPC systems operated with Little-Endian byte ordering.

Load Floating-Point Single D-form

lfs FRT,D(RA)



if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + EXTS(D)
 FRT ← DOUBLE(MEM(EA, 4))

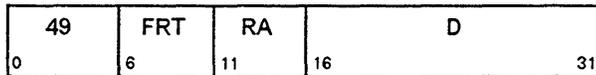
Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0) + D.

The word in storage addressed by EA is interpreted as a floating-point single-precision operand. This word is converted to floating-point double format (see page 99) and placed into register FRT.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Single with Update D-form

lfsu FRT,D(RA)



EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
 FRT ← DOUBLE(MEM(EA, 4))
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + D.

The word in storage addressed by EA is interpreted as a floating-point single-precision operand. This word is converted to floating-point double format (see page 99) and placed into register FRT.

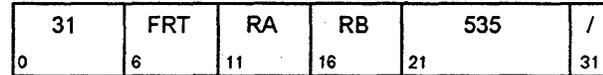
EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Single Indexed X-form

lfsx FRT,RA,RB



if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 FRT ← DOUBLE(MEM(EA, 4))

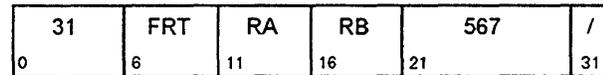
Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0) + (RB).

The word in storage addressed by EA is interpreted as a floating-point single-precision operand. This word is converted to floating-point double format (see page 99) and placed into register FRT.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Single with Update Indexed X-form

lfsux FRT,RA,RB



EA ← (RA) + (RB)
 FRT ← DOUBLE(MEM(EA, 4))
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + (RB).

The word in storage addressed by EA is interpreted as a floating-point single-precision operand. This word is converted to floating-point double format (see page 99) and placed into register FRT.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Double D-form

lfd FRT,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|-----|----|-------|
| 50 | FRT | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(D)
FRT ← MEM(EA, 8)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0) + D.

The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is placed into register FRT.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Double with Update D-form

lfd FRT,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|-----|----|-------|
| 51 | FRT | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
FRT ← MEM(EA, 8)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + D.

The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is placed into register FRT.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Double Indexed X-form

lfdx FRT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | FRT | RA | RB | 599 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
FRT ← MEM(EA, 8)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0) + (RB).

The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is placed into register FRT.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Load Floating-Point Double with Update Indexed X-form

lfdx FRT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | FRT | RA | RB | 631 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
FRT ← MEM(EA, 8)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + (RB).

The doubleword in storage addressed by EA is placed into register FRT.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA = 0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

4.6.3 Floating-Point Store Instructions

There are three basic forms of store instruction, single-precision, double-precision, and integer. The integer form is provided by the optional *Store Floating-Point as Integer Word* instruction, described on page 210. Because the FPRs support only floating-point double format for floating-point data, single-precision *Store Floating-Point* instructions convert double-precision data to single format prior to storing the operands into storage. The conversion steps are as follows:

Let $WORD_{0:31}$ be the word in storage written to.

No Denormalization Required (includes Zero / Infinity / NaN)

if $FRS_{1:11} > 896$ or $FRS_{1:63} = 0$ then

$WORD_{0:1} \leftarrow FRS_{0:1}$

$WORD_{2:31} \leftarrow FRS_{5:34}$

Denormalization Required

if $874 \leq FRS_{1:11} \leq 896$ then

$sign \leftarrow FRS_0$

$exp \leftarrow FRS_{1:11} - 1023$

$frac \leftarrow 0b1 \parallel FRS_{12:63}$

 Denormalize operand

 Do while $exp < -126$

$frac \leftarrow 0b0 \parallel frac_{0:62}$

$exp \leftarrow exp + 1$

 End

$WORD_0 \leftarrow sign$

$WORD_{1:8} \leftarrow 0x00$

$WORD_{9:31} \leftarrow frac_{1:23}$

else $WORD \leftarrow undefined$

Notice that if the value to be stored by a single-precision *Store Floating-Point* instruction is larger in magnitude than the maximum number representable in single format, the first case above (No Denormalization Required) applies. The result stored in $WORD$ is then a well-defined value, but is not numerically equal to the value in the source register (i.e., the result of a single-precision *Load Floating-Point* from $WORD$ will not compare equal to the contents of the original source register).

For double-precision *Store Floating-Point* instructions and for the *Store Floating-Point as Integer Word* instruction, no conversion is required as the data from the FPR is copied directly into storage.

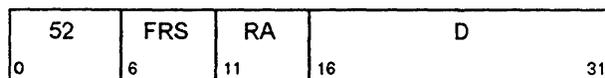
Many of the *Store Floating-Point* instructions have an "update" form, in which register RA is updated with the effective address. For these forms, if $RA \neq 0$, the effective address is placed into register RA.

Note: Recall that RA, RB, and RT denote General Purpose Registers, while FRA, FRB, FRC and FRT denote Floating-Point Registers.

Byte order of PowerPC is Big-Endian by default; see Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 235 for PowerPC systems operated with Little-Endian byte ordering.

Store Floating-Point Single D-form

stfs FRS,D(RA)



if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + EXTS(D)
MEM(EA, 4) ← SINGLE(FRS)

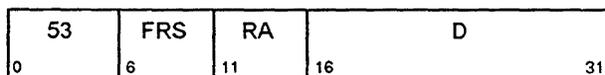
Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0) + D.

The contents of register FRS is converted to single format (see page 102) and stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Floating-Point Single with Update D-form

stfsu FRS,D(RA)



EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
MEM(EA, 4) ← SINGLE(FRS)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + D.

The contents of register FRS is converted to single format (see page 102) and stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

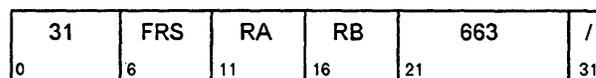
EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Floating-Point Single Indexed X-form

stfsx FRS,RA,RB



if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
MEM(EA, 4) ← SINGLE(FRS)

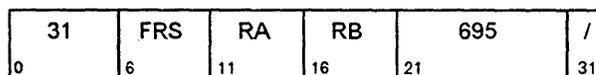
Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0) + (RB).

The contents of register FRS is converted to single format (see page 102) and stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Floating-Point Single with Update Indexed X-form

stfsux FRS,RA,RB



EA ← (RA) + (RB)
MEM(EA, 4) ← SINGLE(FRS)
RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + (RB).

The contents of register FRS is converted to single format (see page 102) and stored into the word in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Store Floating-Point Double D-form

stfd FRS,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|
| 54 | FRS | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + EXTS(D)
 MEM(EA, 8) ← (FRS)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+D.

The contents of register FRS is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Floating-Point Double with Update D-form

stfdu FRS,D(RA)

| | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|
| 55 | FRS | RA | D |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 |
| | | | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + EXTS(D)
 MEM(EA, 8) ← (FRS)
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA)+D.

The contents of register FRS is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Floating-Point Double Indexed X-form

stfdx FRS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | FRS | RA | RB | 727 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
 else b ← (RA)
 EA ← b + (RB)
 MEM(EA, 8) ← (FRS)

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

The contents of register FRS is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

Store Floating-Point Double with Update Indexed X-form

stfdux FRS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | FRS | RA | RB | 759 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RA) + (RB)
 MEM(EA, 8) ← (FRS)
 RA ← EA

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA) + (RB).

The contents of register FRS is stored into the doubleword in storage addressed by EA.

EA is placed into register RA.

If RA=0, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
 None

4.6.5 Floating-Point Arithmetic Instructions

Floating Add [Single] A-form

fadd FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=0)
fadd. FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fa, fa.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | 21 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fadds FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=0)
fadds. FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | 21 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The floating-point operand in register FRA is added to the floating-point operand in register FRB. If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

Floating-point addition is based on exponent comparison and addition of the two significands. The exponents of the two operands are compared, and the significand accompanying the smaller exponent is shifted right, with its exponent increased by one for each bit shifted, until the two exponents are equal. The two significands are then added algebraically to form an intermediate sum. All 53 bits in the significand as well as all three guard bits (G, R, and X) enter into the computation.

If a carry occurs, the sum's significand is shifted right one bit position and the exponent is increased by one.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
FX OX UX XX
VXSNAN VXISI
CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Subtract [Single] A-form

fsub FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=0)
fsub. FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fs, fs.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | 20 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fsubs FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=0)
fsubs. FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | 20 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The floating-point operand in register FRB is subtracted from the floating-point operand in register FRA. If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

The execution of the *Floating Subtract* instruction is identical to that of *Floating Add*, except that the contents of FRB participates in the operation with its sign bit (bit 0) inverted.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
FX OX UX XX
VXSNAN VXISI
CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Multiply [Single] A-form

fmul FRT,FRA,FRC (Rc=0)
 fmul. FRT,FRA,FRC (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fm, fm.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | /// | FRC | 25 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fmuls FRT,FRA,FRC (Rc=0)
 fmuls. FRT,FRA,FRC (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | /// | FRC | 25 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The floating-point operand in register FRA is multiplied by the floating-point operand in register FRC.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

Floating-point multiplication is based on exponent addition and multiplication of the significands.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
 FX OX UX XX
 VXSAN VXIMZ
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Divide [Single] A-form

fdiv FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=0)
 fdiv. FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fd, fd.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | 18 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fdivs FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=0)
 fdivs. FRT,FRA,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | /// | 18 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The floating-point operand in register FRA is divided by the floating-point operand in register FRB. The remainder is not supplied as a result.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

Floating-point division is based on exponent subtraction and division of the significands.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1 and Zero Divide Exceptions when FPSCR_{ZE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
 FX OX UX ZX XX
 VXSAN VXIDI VXZDZ
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

4.6.6 Floating-Point Multiply-Add Instructions

These instructions combine a multiply and add operation without an intermediate rounding operation. The fraction part of the intermediate product is 106 bits

wide, and all 106 bits take part in the add/subtract portion of the instruction.

Floating Multiply-Add [Single] A-form

fmadd FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
fmadd. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fma, fma.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 29 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fmadds FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
fmadds. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 29 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The operation

$$FRT \leftarrow [(FRA) \times (FRC)] + (FRB)$$

is performed.

The floating-point operand in register FRA is multiplied by the floating-point operand in register FRC. The floating-point operand in register FRB is added to this intermediate result.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
FX OX UX XX
VXSNAN VXISI VXIMZ
CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Multiply-Subtract [Single] A-form

fmsub FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
fmsub. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fms, fms.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 28 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fmsubs FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
fmsubs. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 28 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The operation

$$FRT \leftarrow [(FRA) \times (FRC)] - (FRB)$$

is performed.

The floating-point operand in register FRA is multiplied by the floating-point operand in register FRC. The floating-point operand in register FRB is subtracted from this intermediate result.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
FX OX UX XX
VXSNAN VXISI VXIMZ
CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Negative Multiply-Add [Single] A-form

fnmadd FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
 fnmadd. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fnma, fnma.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 31 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fnmadds FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
 fnmadds. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 31 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The operation

$$FRT \leftarrow - ([(FRA) \times (FRC)] + (FRB))$$

is performed.

The floating-point operand in register FRA is multiplied by the floating-point operand in register FRC. The floating-point operand in register FRB is added to this intermediate result.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR, then negated and placed into register FRT.

This instruction produces the same result as would be obtained by using the *Floating Multiply-Add* instruction and then negating the result, with the following exceptions:

- QNaNs propagate with no effect on their “sign” bit.
- QNaNs that are generated as the result of a disabled Invalid Operation Exception have a “sign” bit of zero.
- SNaNs that are converted to QNaNs as the result of a disabled Invalid Operation Exception retain the “sign” bit of the SNaN.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
 FX OX UX XX
 VXSNAN VXISI VXIMZ
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract [Single] A-form

fnmsub FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
 fnmsub. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

[Power mnemonics: fnms, fnms.]

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 30 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fnmsubs FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
 fnmsubs. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 30 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The operation

$$FRT \leftarrow - ([(FRA) \times (FRC)] - (FRB))$$

is performed.

The floating-point operand in register FRA is multiplied by the floating-point operand in register FRC. The floating-point operand in register FRB is subtracted from this intermediate result.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR, then negated and placed into register FRT.

This instruction produces the same result as would be obtained by using the *Floating Multiply-Subtract* instruction and then negating the result, with the following exceptions:

- QNaNs propagate with no effect on their “sign” bit.
- QNaNs that are generated as the result of a disabled Invalid Operation Exception have a “sign” bit of zero.
- SNaNs that are converted to QNaNs as the result of a disabled Invalid Operation Exception retain the “sign” bit of the SNaN.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
 FX OX UX XX
 VXSNAN VXISI VXIMZ
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Convert To Integer Word with round toward Zero X-form

fctiwz FRT,FRB (Rc=0)
 fctiwz. FRT,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | /// | FRB | 15 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

The floating-point operand in register FRB is converted to a 32-bit signed fixed-point integer, using the rounding mode *Round toward Zero*, and placed in bits 32:63 of register FRT. Bits 0:31 of register FRT are undefined.

If the operand in FRB is greater than $2^{31} - 1$, then bits 32:63 of FRT are set to 0x7FFF_FFFF. If the operand in FRB is less than -2^{31} , then bits 32:63 of FRT are set to 0x8000_0000.

The conversion is described fully in Appendix B.2, "Floating-Point Convert to Integer Model" on page 218.

Except for enabled Invalid Operation Exceptions, FPSCR_{FPRF} is undefined. FPSCR_{FR} is set if the result is incremented when rounded. FPSCR_{FI} is set if the result is inexact.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF (undefined) FR FI
 FX XX
 VXSNaN VXCVI
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

Floating Convert From Integer Doubleword X-form

fcfid FRT,FRB (Rc=0)
 fcfid. FRT,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 63 | FRT | /// | FRB | 846 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

The 64-bit signed fixed-point operand in register FRB is converted to an infinitely precise floating-point integer. If the result of the conversion is already in double-precision range it is placed into register FRT. Otherwise the result of the conversion is rounded to double-precision using the rounding mode specified by FPSCR_{RN} and placed into register FRT.

The conversion is described fully in Appendix B.3, "Floating-Point Convert from Integer Model" on page 221.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result. FPSCR_{FR} is set if the result is incremented when rounded. FPSCR_{FI} is set if the result is inexact.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause the system illegal instruction error handler to be invoked.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
 FX XX
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

4.6.8 Floating-Point Compare Instructions

The floating-point *Compare* instructions compare the contents of two floating-point registers. Comparison ignores the sign of zero (i.e., regards +0 as equal to -0). The comparison can be ordered or unordered.

The comparison sets one bit in the designated CR field to one, and the other three to zero. The FPCC is set in the same way.

The CR field and the FPCC are interpreted as follows:

| Bit | Name | Description |
|-----|------|---------------------------|
| 0 | FL | (FRA) < (FRB) |
| 1 | FG | (FRA) > (FRB) |
| 2 | FE | (FRA) = (FRB) |
| 3 | FU | (FRA) ? (FRB) (unordered) |

Floating Compare Unordered X-form

fcmpu BF,FRA,FRB

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | BF | // | FRA | FRB | 0 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if (FRA) is a NaN or
   (FRB) is a NaN then c ← 0b0001
else if (FRA) < (FRB) then c ← 0b1000
else if (FRA) > (FRB) then c ← 0b0100
else
   c ← 0b0010
  
```

```

FPCC ← c
CR4×BF:4×BF+3 ← c
  
```

```

if (FRA) is an SNaN or
   (FRB) is an SNaN then
   VXSNaN ← 1
  
```

The floating-point operand in register FRA is compared to the floating-point operand in register FRB. The result of the compare is placed into CR field BF and the FPCC.

If either of the operands is a NaN, either quiet or signalling, then CR field BF and the FPCC are set to reflect unordered. If either of the operands is a Signalling NaN, then VXSNaN is set.

Special Registers Altered:

CR field BF
FPCC
FX
VXSNaN

Floating Compare Ordered X-form

fcmpo BF,FRA,FRB

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | BF | // | FRA | FRB | 32 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if (FRA) is a NaN or
   (FRB) is a NaN then c ← 0b0001
else if (FRA) < (FRB) then c ← 0b1000
else if (FRA) > (FRB) then c ← 0b0100
else
   c ← 0b0010
  
```

```

FPCC ← c
CR4×BF:4×BF+3 ← c
  
```

```

if (FRA) is an SNaN or
   (FRB) is an SNaN then
   VXSNaN ← 1
   if VE = 0 then VXVC ← 1
else if (FRA) is a QNaN or
   (FRB) is a QNaN then VXVC ← 1
  
```

The floating-point operand in register FRA is compared to the floating-point operand in register FRB. The result of the compare is placed into CR field BF and the FPCC.

If either of the operands is a NaN, either quiet or signalling, then CR field BF and the FPCC are set to reflect unordered. If either of the operands is a Signalling NaN, then VXSNaN is set and, if Invalid Operation is disabled (VE=0), VXVC is set. If neither operand is a Signalling NaN but at least one operand is a Quiet NaN, then VXVC is set.

Special Registers Altered:

CR field BF
FPCC
FX
VXSNaN VXVC

Move To FPSCR Field Immediate X-form

mtfsfi BF,U (Rc=0)
 mtfsfi. BF,U (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 63 | BF | // | /// | U | / | 134 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 9 | 11 | 16 | 20 | 21 | 31 |

The value of the U field is placed into FPSCR field BF.

Special Registers Altered:

FPSCR field BF
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

Programming Note

When $FPSCR_{0:3}$ is specified, bits 0 (FX) and 3 (OX) are set to the values of U_0 and U_3 (i.e., even if this instruction causes OX to change from 0 to 1, FX is set from U_0 and not by the usual rule that FX is set to 1 when an exception bit changes from 0 to 1). Bits 1 and 2 (FEX and VX) are set according to the usual rule, given on page 84, and not from $U_{1:2}$.

Move To FPSCR Fields XFL-form

mtfsf FLM,FRB (Rc=0)
 mtfsf. FLM,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|---|-----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 63 | / | FLM | / | FRB | 711 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 7 | 15 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

The contents of bits 32:63 of register FRB are placed into the FPSCR under control of the field mask specified by FLM. The field mask identifies the 4-bit fields affected. Let i be an integer in the range 0-7. If $FLM_i=1$ then FPSCR field i (FPSCR bits $4xi$ through $4xi+3$) is set to the contents of the corresponding field of the low-order 32 bits of register FRB.

Special Registers Altered:

FPSCR fields selected by mask
 CR1 (if Rc=1)

Programming Note

Updating fewer than all eight fields of the FPSCR may have substantially poorer performance on some implementations than updating all the fields.

Programming Note

When $FPSCR_{0:3}$ is specified, bits 0 (FX) and 3 (OX) are set to the values of $(FRB)_{32}$ and $(FRB)_{35}$ (i.e., even if this instruction causes OX to change from 0 to 1, FX is set from $(FRB)_{32}$ and not by the usual rule that FX is set to 1 when an exception bit changes from 0 to 1). Bits 1 and 2 (FEX and VX) are set according to the usual rule, given on page 84, and not from $(FRB)_{33:34}$.

Part 2. PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture

This part defines the additional instructions and facilities, beyond those of the PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture. It covers the storage model and

related instructions and facilities available to the application programmer, and the Time Base as seen by the application programmer.

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Chapter 5. Storage Model

5.1 Definitions and Notation

The following definitions, in addition to those specified in Book I, are used in this document.

- **main storage**
The common storage that a processor or other mechanism accesses when it has no cache or has no copy of the storage being accessed in its cache.
- **sequential execution**
A model for the execution of a sequence of instructions (program) in which one instruction is executed and completed before the next instruction is begun. Instructions are executed in the order in which they appear in the program, except following the execution of a branch instruction, which causes sequential execution to continue at the location specified by the branch instruction.
- **program order**
The execution of instructions in the strict order in which they occur in the program. See **sequential execution** above.
- **processor**
A hardware component that executes the PowerPC instructions specified in a program.
- **storage location**
One or more sequential bytes of storage beginning at the address computed by a *Storage Access* instruction. The number of bytes comprising the location depends on the type of *Storage Access* instruction being executed.
- **load**
An instruction that copies one or more bytes from a storage location to one or more registers (GPRs or FPRs).
- **store**
An instruction that copies one or more bytes from one or more registers (GPRs or FPRs) to a storage location.
- **system**
A combination of processors, storage, and associated mechanisms that is capable of executing programs. Sometimes the reference to system includes services provided by the operating system.
- **uniprocessor**
A system that contains one PowerPC processor.
- **multiprocessor**
A system that contains two or more PowerPC processors.
- **shared storage multiprocessor**
A multiprocessor that contains some common storage, which all the PowerPC processors in the system can access.
- **performed**
A load is performed with respect to all other processors (and mechanisms) when the value to be returned by the load can no longer be changed by a subsequent store by any processor (or other mechanism).
A store is performed with respect to all other processors (and mechanisms) when any load from the same location used by the store returns the value stored (or a value stored subsequently).
- **storage page**
The aligned unit of storage that is managed by the virtual storage system and that can be assigned storage control attributes.
- **block**
The aligned unit of storage operated on by each *Cache Management* instruction. The size of a block can vary by instruction and by implementation. The maximum block size is one page.
- **aligned storage access**
A load or store is aligned if the address of the target storage location is a multiple of the size of the transfer effected by the instruction.
- **atomic access**
A storage access executed by a processor during which no other processor or mechanism can access any byte of the target location between the time the processor performing the access accesses any byte of the location and the time that it completes the access to all bytes of that location.

5.2 Introduction

The PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture defines storage as a linear array of bytes indexed from 0 to a maximum of $2^{64} - 1$. Each byte is identified by its index, called its address. Each byte contains a value. This information is sufficient to allow the programming of applications which require no special features of any particular system environment. The PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture, described herein, expands this simple storage model to include caches, virtual storage, and shared storage multiprocessors. The PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture in conjunction with services based on the PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture and provided by the operating system permit explicit control of this expanded storage model. A simple model for sequential execution allows at most one storage access to be performed at a time, and requires that all storage accesses appear to be performed in program order. In contrast to this simple model, the PowerPC architecture specifies a relaxed model of memory consistency. In a multiprocessor system that allows multiple copies of a location, aggressive implementations of the architecture can permit intervals of time during which different copies of a location have different values. This chapter describes features of the PowerPC architecture that enable programmers to write correct programs for this memory model.

5.3 Single-copy Atomicity

An access is **single-copy atomic**, or simply **atomic**, if it is always performed in its entirety with no visible fragmentation. Atomic accesses are thus **serialized**: each happens in its entirety in some order, even when that order is not specified in the program nor enforced between processors.

In PowerPC the following single-register accesses are always atomic:

- byte accesses (all bytes are aligned on byte boundaries)
- halfword accesses aligned on halfword boundaries
- word accesses aligned on word boundaries
- doubleword accesses aligned on doubleword boundaries (64-bit implementations only)

No other accesses are guaranteed to be atomic. In particular, multiple-register loads and stores are not atomic, nor are floating-point doubleword accesses on a 32-bit implementation.

The results for several combinations of loads and stores to the same or overlapping locations are described below.

1. When two processors execute atomic stores to locations that do not overlap and no other stores are performed to those locations, the content of those locations is the same as if the two stores were performed by a single processor.
2. When two processors execute atomic stores to the same storage location, and no other store is performed to that location, the content of that location is the result stored by one of the processors.
3. When two processors execute stores that have the same target location and that are not guaranteed to be atomic, and no other store is performed to that location, the result is some combination of the bytes stored by both processors.
4. When two processors execute stores to overlapped locations, and no other store is performed to those locations, the result is some combination of the bytes stored by the processors to the overlapping bytes. The portions of the locations that do not overlap contain the bytes stored by the processor storing to the location.
5. When a processor executes an atomic store to a location, a second processor executes an atomic load from that location, and no other store is performed to that location, the value returned by the load is the content of the location prior to the store or the content of the location subsequent to the store.
6. When a load and a store with the same target location can be executed simultaneously, and no other store is performed to the location, the value returned by the load some combination of the content of the location before the store and after the store.

5.4 Memory Coherence

Coherence refers to the ordering of writes to a single location. Atomic stores to a given location are **coherent** if they are serialized in some order, and no processor is able to observe any subset of those stores as occurring in a conflicting order. This serialization order is an abstract sequence of values; the physical memory location need not assume each of the values written to it. For example, if a processor has a store-in cache, it may update a location several times before the value is written to the physical memory. The result of a store operation is not available to every processor at the same instant, and it may be that a processor observes only some of the values that are written to a location. However, when a location is accessed atomically and coherently by all processors, then, for any processor, the sequence of values it loads from the location during any interval of time forms a subsequence of the sequence of values that the location logically held during that interval. That is, a processor can never load a "newer" value first and then, later, load an "older" value.

As noted in Section 5.5, “Storage Control Attributes” on page 121, the coherence of storage pages may be managed by hardware or software depending on the setting of the Memory Coherence attribute.

Memory coherence is managed in blocks called *coherence blocks*. Their size is implementation-dependent (see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation), but is usually larger than a word and often the size of a cache block.

5.4.1 Coherence Required

When a processor accesses a page in Memory Coherence Required mode, each store to a location in that page must be serialized with all stores to that location by all other processors that also access the location coherently. This can be implemented, for example, by an ownership protocol that allows at most one processor at a time to store to the location.

Coherence does not ensure that the result of a store by one processor will be immediately visible to all other processors and mechanisms in the system. Only after a program has executed the *sync* instruction are previous storage accesses it executed guaranteed to be globally visible.

5.4.2 Coherence Not Required

When an accessed page is in Memory Coherence Not Required mode, the processor need not enforce storage coherence. This coherence mode may be selected by software to improve performance when it is known that the particular area of storage the processor is accessing will not be accessed by another processor or mechanism. In this mode, software must ensure that the appropriate *Cache Management* instructions have been used to put storage in a consistent state prior to changing the mode or allowing access to that storage area by a different processor or mechanism.

Programming Note

In a single-cache system, Coherence Required is not necessary for correct coherent execution. In fact, in such a system, Coherence Not Required may give better performance.

5.5 Storage Control Attributes

Some operating systems may provide means to allow programs to specify storage control attributes not described in this document. The definition of these attributes can be found in Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141. The following describes what is expected to be provided when the operating system supports these functions. The details may vary among operating systems, so the details of the specific system being used must be known before these functions can be used.

Generally, the program may use one of each of the following pairs of storage attributes:

- Write Through Required or Not Required
- Caching Inhibited or Allowed
- Memory Coherence Required or Not Required

Not all combinations of these three modes are supported; see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141 for further details.

A program can specify, through an operating system service, the attributes for each page of storage to which it has access. Each load or store will be performed in the following manner, depending on the setting of the storage control attributes for the page of storage containing the addressed storage location.

Write Through

This attribute is meaningful only for Caching Allowed storage. It provides the program control over whether

- the processor is required to update the copy of the storage location in the cache and in main storage, or
- the processor is allowed to update the copy of the storage location in the cache and to defer the update of main storage.

Required

Loads use the copy in the cache if it is there. Stores update the copy of the storage location in the cache if it is in the cache and also update the storage location in main storage.

Not Required

Loads and stores use the copy in the cache if it is there. The block containing the target storage location may be copied to the cache. The storage location in main storage need not contain the value most recently stored to that location.

Caching

Inhibited

When caching is inhibited, the Write Through attribute has no meaning. The load or store is executed in the following manner:

1. The operation is performed to main storage bypassing the cache (i.e., neither the target location nor any of the block(s) containing it are copied into the cache).
2. The operation causes an access (load/store) of appropriate length (i.e., byte, halfword, word, etc.) to the target location in main storage.

It is considered a programming error if a copy of the target location of an access to Caching Inhibited storage is in the cache. Software must ensure that the location has not previously been brought into the cache or, if it has, that it has been flushed from the cache. If the programming error occurs, the result of the access is boundedly undefined.

Allowed

When caching is allowed, the access is performed in the following manner:

1. If the block containing the target storage location is in the cache, it is used.
2. If the block containing the target location is not in the cache, the block(s) of storage containing the target location may be copied to the cache and, if the access is a store, the target location is updated in the cache if it is in the cache.

Memory Coherence

This attribute provides the program control over whether the processor maintains storage coherence:

Required

Stores by all processors to the same location are serialized into some order and no processor is able to observe any subset of those stores as occurring in a conflicting order.

Not Required

The order in which one processor observes the stores performed by one or more other processors is undefined.

When coherence is required, its serialization function is effective for all supported combinations of the Write Through and Caching modes (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141).

When coherence is not required, the programmer must manage the coherence of storage through use of *sync* and *Cache Management* instructions, and facilities provided by the operating system.

Programming Note

Software must ensure that all locations in a page have been purged from the cache prior to changing the storage mode for the page from Caching Allowed to Caching Inhibited.

5.6 Cache Models

The PowerPC architecture does not require any particular cache organization and allows many different implementations. However, for a program to execute correctly on all implementations, the programmer should assume that separate instruction and data caches exist, and should program to the separate cache model. The functions of these caches are affected by the storage control attributes associated with each storage access as described in 5.5, "Storage Control Attributes" on page 121. *Cache Management* instructions are provided so programs can manage the caches when needed. Depending on the storage control attributes specified by the program and the function being performed, the program may need to use these instructions to guarantee that the function is performed correctly. The *Cache Management* instructions are also useful to optimize the use of memory bandwidth in such applications as graphics and numerically intensive computing.

The processor is not required to maintain copies of storage locations in the instruction cache consistent with changes to storage resulting from the execution of store instructions. Program management of the cache is required when the program generates or modifies code that will be executed (i.e., when the program modifies data in storage and then attempts to execute the modified data as instructions).

The instructions provided allow the program to

- invalidate the copy of storage in an instruction cache block (*icbi*)
- perform context synchronization, as described in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141 (*isync*)
- copy the content of a data cache block to main storage (*dcbst*)
- copy the content of a data cache block to main storage and make the copy of the block in the data cache invalid (*dcbf*)
- set the content of a data cache block to zeroes (*dcbz*)
- give a hint that a block of storage should be copied into the data cache, so that the copy of the block may be in the cache when subsequent accesses to the block occur, thereby reducing delays (*dcbt*, *dcbtst*)

The function of the *Cache Management* instructions depends on the implementation of the caches and on the storage control attributes associated with the cache block that is the target of the cache instruction.

There are many variations of cache implementations and the following sections do not attempt to describe them exhaustively. However, the variations that affect the function of the *Cache Management* instructions are discussed here.

Programming Note

Implementations will vary as to what instructions need be executed to perform a function such as code modification. Operating systems are encouraged to provide a service (implementation-dependent) to perform the function in an efficient manner.

5.6.1 Split or Dual Caches

A cache model in which there are separate caches for instructions and data is called a "Harvard style" cache. This style is the standard PowerPC cache model; that is, it is the model assumed by this architecture and the function of the *Cache Management* instructions depends on this model as well as on the storage control attributes of the target storage block. A copy of a target block in the cache is said to be **marked invalid** if it will not be used for subsequent accesses. The following sections describe the functions performed by each of the *Cache Management* instructions in this model.

5.6.1.1 Instruction Cache Block Invalidate

Invalidating the target block causes any subsequent fetch request for an instruction in the block to not find the block in the cache and to be sent to storage. The instruction performs the following operations:

1. If the target block is not accessible to the program for loads, the system data storage error handler may be invoked.
2. The target block in the instruction cache of the executing processor is marked invalid.
3. If the effective address has an attribute of Coherence Required, the block is invalidated in the instruction caches of all other processors in the system.
4. This access need not be recorded, but if it is, it is considered a load and not a store.

5.6.1.2 Data Cache Block Store

This instruction permits the program to ensure that the latest version of the target storage block is in main storage. The instruction performs the following operations:

1. If the target block is not accessible to the program for loads, the system data storage error handler may be invoked.
2. **Memory Coherence Required**

If the target block is in any of the data caches in the system and has been modified, it is copied to main storage.

Not Required

If the target block is in the data cache of the executing processor and has been modified, it is copied to main storage.

3. This access need not be recorded, but if it is it is considered a load and not a store.

The above action is taken regardless of the setting of the other storage control attributes.

5.6.1.3 Data Cache Block Flush

This instruction permits the program to ensure that the latest version of the target storage block is in main storage and no longer in the data cache. The instruction performs the same operations as does the *Data Cache Block Store*. In addition to those operations, the following is done.

Memory Coherence Required

If the target block is in any of the data caches in the system, it is marked invalid in those data caches.

Memory Coherence Not Required

If the target block is in the data cache of the executing processor, it is marked invalid in that data cache.

These actions are taken regardless of the setting of the other storage control attributes.

5.6.1.4 Data Cache Block set to Zero

This instruction permits the program to set large areas of storage to zeros in an efficient manner. The instruction performs the following operations:

1. If the target block is not accessible to the program for stores, the system data storage error handler is invoked.
2. **Write Through Required**
Either each byte of the block in main storage is set to 0x00, or the system alignment error handler is invoked.
3. **Caching Inhibited**
Either each byte of the block in main storage is set to 0x00, or the system alignment error handler is invoked.
4. **Memory Coherence**
 - **Required**
 - If the target block is in the data cache of the executing processor, each byte in the block is set to 0x00 and all copies of the block in all data caches are made consistent.
 - If the target block is not in the data cache of the executing processor, the block is established in the data cache without fetching it from storage and each byte in the block is set to 0x00. All copies of the block in all data caches are made consistent.
 - **Not Required**

- If the target block is in the data cache of the executing processor, each byte in the block is set to 0x00.
- If the target block is not in the data cache of the executing processor, the block is established in the data cache without fetching it from storage and each byte in the block is set to 0x00.

5. This access must be recorded. It is considered a store to the target location.

5.6.1.5 Data Cache Block Touch

The two *Touch* instructions (one for reading, the other for writing) provide a mechanism by which a program may avoid some of the delays due to accessing storage by attempting to have the target storage location in the cache prior to its first use. These instructions are performance hints and operate as follows:

1. If the target block is not accessible to the program for loads, no other operation is performed.
2. **Caching Inhibited**
The block is not copied into the cache and no other operations are performed.
3. **Caching Allowed**
 - **Memory Coherence Required**
If the block is not in the cache, the most recent version of the block may be copied into the cache.
 - **Memory Coherence Not Required**
If the block is not in the cache, the block may be copied into the cache from main storage without regard for the location of the most recently modified version.
4. This access need not be recorded, but if it is it is considered a load and not a store.

If the instruction is *Touch for Store* and the block is copied into the cache, it is copied in a manner such that a subsequent store to the block will execute efficiently.

The execution of either of these instructions *never* causes the system data error handler to be invoked.

5.6.2 Combined Cache

A combined cache implementation provides a single cache for instructions and data. For this implementation, the *Instruction Cache Block Invalidate* instruction need not perform the same operations as it would for an implementation with separate caches. It can be treated as a no-op, but it is acceptable to invalidate the instruction caches of other processors if the addressed storage is in Coherence Required mode.

Following are recommended and required functions of this instruction for combined cache implementations.

Prohibited Operations

It must not invalidate a block in the combined cache that has been modified. The access must not be treated as a store.

Unnecessary Operations

The access should not be treated as a load or store, but to treat it as a load is not a violation of the architecture.

Suggested Operations

If the program executing *icbi* does not have access to the target block for loads, the system data storage error handler should be invoked.

5.6.3 Write Through Data Cache

The *Cache Management* instructions affected by the write through implementation of the data cache are listed in this section. These instructions must perform all the operations specified for a Harvard style cache except as specified in this section. Some of the differences depend on whether the write through implementation is a write through to main storage or just a write through to a second level of cache.

5.6.3.1 Write Through to Main Storage

1. **Data Cache Block set to Zero**
The processor may invoke the system alignment error handler regardless of the setting of the storage control attributes.
2. **Data Cache Block Store**
By definition, the cache cannot contain a modified block. The processor is not required to copy the target block to main storage.
3. **Data Cache Block Flush**
By definition, the cache cannot contain a modified block. The processor is not required to copy the target block to main storage.

5.6.3.2 Write Through to Multi-Level Cache

For *Data Cache Block set to Zero*, the processor may invoke the system alignment error handler regardless of the setting of the storage control attributes.

If a cache is the interface to main storage for all processors and other mechanisms that access storage, that cache can be considered main storage with respect to the *Cache Management* instructions. Otherwise, the cache instructions that cause the content of a cache block to be copied back to main storage or to be marked invalid must be performed against all levels of the cache.

5.7 Shared Storage

This architecture supports the sharing of storage between programs, between different instances of the same program on systems with one or more processors, and between processors and other mechanisms. It also supports access to a storage location by one or more programs using different effective addresses. All these cases are considered storage sharing. Storage is shared in blocks that are an integral number of pages.

When the same storage location has different effective addresses, the addresses are said to be “aliases.” Each application can be granted separate access privileges to aliased pages.

5.7.1 Storage Access Ordering

The PowerPC architecture specifies a **weakly consistent** storage model for shared storage multi-processor systems. This model provides an opportunity for significantly improved performance over the strongly consistent model, but places the responsibility on the program to ensure that ordering or synchronization instructions are properly placed when necessary for the correct execution of the program.

In this architecture, the order in which the processor performs storage accesses, the order in which those accesses complete in main storage, and the order in which those accesses are viewed as occurring by another processor may all be different. This property is referred to **storage access ordering**. A means of enforcing an ordering of storage accesses is provided to allow programs or instances of programs to share storage. Similar means are needed to allow programs executing on a processor to share storage with some other mechanism, such as an I/O device, that can also access storage.

The purpose of specifying a weakly consistent storage model is to allow the processor to run very fast for most storage accesses. Two instructions, *Enforce In-order Execution of I/O* and *Synchronize*, are provided that enable the program to control the order in which storage accesses are performed by separate instructions. No ordering should be assumed for the storage accesses done by a multiple-register load or store instruction, and no means are provided for controlling that order.

5.7.1.1 The Enforce In-order Execution of I/O Instruction

The *eieio* instruction permits the program to control the order in which loads and stores are performed in main storage when the accessed storage is both Caching Inhibited and Guarded, and the order in which stores are performed in main storage when the accessed storage is Write Through Required. It does not affect the order of other data accesses, nor of cache operations (whether caused explicitly by execution of a *Cache Management* instruction, or implicitly by the cache coherence mechanism). See Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141, for the definition of Guarded storage.

eieio ensures that all applicable data accesses to main storage previously initiated by the processor have completed with respect to main storage before any applicable storage accesses subsequently initiated by the processor access main storage. It acts like a barrier that flows through the storage queues and to main storage, preventing the reordering of storage accesses across the barrier. The *eieio* instruction may complete before previously initiated storage accesses have been performed with respect to other processors and mechanisms.

eieio can be used, for example, to ensure that the data from a sequence of stores to the control registers of an I/O device update those control registers in the order specified by the stores as ordered by *eieio*.

If stronger ordering is desired or if it is necessary to order accesses to storage that may be in the cache, the *sync* instruction must be used.

5.7.1.2 The Synchronize Instruction

When a portion of storage must be forced to a known state, it is necessary to synchronize storage with respect to all processors. This is accomplished by requiring programs to indicate explicitly in the instruction stream that synchronization is required, by inserting a *sync* instruction. Only when *sync* completes are the effects of all storage accesses previously executed by the program guaranteed to have been performed with respect to all other processors and mechanisms.

The *sync* instruction permits the program to ensure that all storage accesses it has initiated have been performed with respect to all other processors and mechanisms before its next instruction is executed. A program can use this instruction to ensure that all updates to a shared data structure are visible to all other processors prior to executing a store that will release the lock on that data structure. Execution of this instruction does the following:

- Performs the functions described for the *sync* instruction in Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1.
- Ensures that consistency operations and the effects of *icbi*, *dcbz*, *dcbst*, *dcbf*, and *dcbi* instructions (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141) previously executed by the processor executing the *sync* have completed on all other processors.
- Ensures that TLB invalidates executed by the processor executing the *sync* have completed on that processor. *sync* does *not* wait for such invalidates to complete on *other* processors (see the Book III section entitled “Table Update Synchronization Requirements”).
- Ensures that Reference and Change bits in the Page Table (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141) are up-to-date.

The *sync* instruction is execution synchronizing (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141). It is not context synchronizing (see Book III), and therefore need not discard prefetched instructions.

For storage that is maintained as Memory Coherence Not Required, the only effect of *sync* on storage operations is to ensure that all previous storage accesses have completed to the level of storage specified by the Caching and Write Through storage control attributes (including the updating of Reference and Change bits).

5.7.2 Atomic Update Primitives

The *Load And Reserve* and *Store Conditional* instructions together permit atomic update of a storage location. 64-bit implementations have word and doubleword forms of each of these instructions. Described here is the operation of the word forms (*lwarx* and *stwcx.*); operation of the doubleword forms (*ldarx* and *stdcx.*) is the same except for obvious substitutions.

These instructions function in Caching Inhibited, as well as in Caching Allowed, storage. The addressed page must, however, have the Memory Coherence Required attribute for every processor other than the one doing the atomic update that might execute a store to the location being atomically updated. The remainder of this section assumes that if the system is a multiprocessor, then all processors have the addressed page in Memory Coherence Required mode.

If the addressed storage is in Write Through Required mode, it is implementation-dependent whether these instructions function correctly or cause the system data storage error handler to be invoked.

The *lwarx* is a load from a word-aligned location that has two side effects.

1. A nonspecific reservation for a subsequent *stwcx.* or *stdcx.* is created.
2. The storage coherence mechanism is notified that a reservation exists for the real address (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141) corresponding to the storage location accessed by the *lwarx*.

The *stwcx.* is a store to a word-aligned location that is conditioned on the existence of the reservation created by the *lwarx* or *ldarx*. To emulate an atomic operation with these instructions, it is necessary that both the *lwarx* and the *stwcx.* access the same storage location even though this requirement is not enforced by the hardware. *lwarx* and *stwcx.* are ordered by a dependence on the reservation, and the program is not required to insert other instructions to maintain the order of storage accesses by these two instructions.

A *stwcx.* performs a store to the target storage location only if the storage location accessed by the *lwarx* that established the reservation has not been stored into by another processor or mechanism between supplying a value for the *lwarx* and storing the value supplied by the *stwcx.* In this case, CR0 is set to indicate that the store was performed.

If the *stwcx.* completes but does not perform the store because a reservation no longer exists, CR0 is set to indicate that the *stwcx.* completed but storage was not altered.

Examples of the use of *lwarx* and *stwcx.* are given in the “Programming Examples” appendix of Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1.

When *stwcx.* to a given location succeeds, its store has been performed but may not yet be globally visible. As a result, a subsequent load or *lwarx* from the given location on another processor may return a “stale” value. However, a subsequent *lwarx* from the given location on the other processor followed by a successful *stwcx.* on that processor is guaranteed to have returned the value stored by the first processor’s *stwcx.* (in the absence of other stores to the given location).

Programming Note

To ensure that a store or *stwcx.* to a given location has become globally visible, it must be followed by a *sync*. A subsequent load or *lwarx* from the given location by another processor will then return a value at least as recent as the value stored. This is often more synchronization than is actually needed to ensure program correctness.

5.7.2.1 Reservations

The ability to emulate an atomic operation using *lwarx* and *stwcx.* is based on the conditional behavior of *stwcx.*, the *reservation* set by *lwarx*, and the clearing of that reservation if the target location is modified by another processor or other mechanism before the *stwcx.* performs its store.

Programming Note

The combination of *lwarx* and *stwcx.* improves upon *compare_and_swap* in that the reservation binds the *lwarx* and *stwcx.* together more reliably. *Compare_and_swap* can only check that the old and current values of the variable are equal, and can cause the program to err if the variable has been modified and the old value subsequently restored. The reservation is always lost if the variable is modified by another processor or mechanism between the *lwarx* and *stwcx.*, so the *stwcx.* never succeeds unless the variable has not been stored into (by another processor or mechanism) since the *lwarx*.

A processor has at most one reservation at any time. A reservation is established by executing a *lwarx* instruction and is lost if any of the following occur:

- The processor holding the reservation executes another *lwarx* or *ldarx*; this clears the first reservation and establishes a new one.
- The processor holding the reservation executes any *stwcx.* or *stdcx.*, whether or not its address matches that of the *lwarx*.
- Some other processor executes a store or *dcbz* to the same reservation granule.
- Some other mechanism modifies a storage location in the same reservation granule.
- Any additional causes of reservation loss are described in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*, for the implementation.

Interrupts (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) do not clear reservations (however, system software invoked by interrupts may clear reservations). Immunity to random reservation loss ensures that programs using *lwarx* and *stwcx.* can make forward progress.

Programming Note

Programming convention must ensure that *lwarx* and *stwcx.* addresses match. In proper use, a *stwcx.* should be paired with a specific *lwarx* to the same real address. Situations in which a *stwcx.* may erroneously be issued after some *lwarx* other than that with which it is intended to be paired must be scrupulously avoided. For example, there must not be a context change in which the old context leaves a *lwarx* dangling and the new context resumes after a *lwarx* and before the paired *stwcx.*. The *stwcx.* would be successfully completed, which is not what was intended by the programmer.

Such a situation must be prevented by issuing a *stwcx.* to a dummy writable word-aligned location as part of the context switch, thereby clearing the reservation of the dangling *lwarx*. Executing *stwcx.* to a word-aligned location suffices to clear the reservation, whether it was obtained by *lwarx* or *ldarx*.

5.7.2.2 Guaranteeing Forward Progress

Forward progress in loops that use *lwarx* and *stwcx.* is guaranteed by a cooperative effort between hardware, operating system software, and application software. Hardware guarantees that:

- one *stwcx.* among a set of processors holding reservations to the same real address will succeed, and
- reservations are not lost unnecessarily, i.e. when the reserved location has not been modified.

While no general rules can be given regarding operating system guarantees, programs that use the examples in the *Programming Examples* appendix of Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1 are guaranteed forward progress.

5.7.2.3 Reservation Loss Due to Granularity

When one processor holds a reservation, and another processor performs a store that might clear that reservation, the address comparison is done in a way that ignores an implementation-dependent number of low-order bits of the real addresses. The storage block corresponding to the ignored low-order bits is called the *reservation granule*. Its size is implementation-dependent (see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation), but is a multiple of the coherence block size.

Lock variables should be allocated such that contention for the locks and updates to nearby data structures do not cause excessive reservation losses

due to false indications of sharing that can occur due to the reservation granularity.

A processor holding a reservation on any word in a reservation granule will lose its reservation if some other processor stores anywhere in that granule. Such problems can be avoided only by ensuring that few such stores occur. This can most easily be accomplished by allocating an entire granule for a lock and wasting all but one word.

Reservation granularity may vary for each implementation. There are no architectural restrictions bounding the granularity implementations must support, so reasonably portable code must dynamically allocate aligned and padded storage for locks to guarantee absence of granularity-induced reservation loss.

5.8 Virtual Storage

The PowerPC system implements a virtual storage model for applications. This means that a combination of hardware and software can present a storage model which allows applications to exist within a "virtual" address space larger than either the effective address space or the real address space.

Each program can access 2^{64} $\{2^{32}\}$ bytes of "effective address" (EA) space, subject to limitations imposed

by the operating system. In a typical PowerPC system, each program's EA space is a subset of a larger "virtual address" (VA) space managed by the operating system.

The operating system is responsible for managing the real (physical) storage resources of the system by means of a "storage mapping" mechanism. Storage is always allocated and managed in units of "pages," which have a fixed, implementation-dependent size. The storage mapping process translates accesses to pages in the EA space into accesses to real pages in main storage.

In general, main storage may not be large enough to contain all of the virtual pages used by the currently active applications. With support provided by hardware mechanisms, the operating system can attempt to use the available real pages to map a sufficient set of effective address pages of the applications. If a sufficient set is maintained, "paging" activity is minimized. If not, performance degradation is likely to occur.

The operating system can support restricted access to pages (including read-write, read-only, and no access: see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), based on system standards (e.g., program code might be read-only) and application requests.

Chapter 6. Effect of Operand Placement on Performance

The placement (location and alignment) of operands in storage affects relative performance of storage accesses, and in some cases affects it significantly. The best performance is guaranteed if storage operands are aligned. In order to obtain the best performance across the widest range of implementations, the programmer should assume the performance model described in Figures 35 and 36 with respect to the placement of storage operands. Figure 35 applies when the processor is in Big-Endian mode, and Figure 36 applies when the processor is in Little-Endian mode. Performance of accesses varies depending on the following:

1. Operand Size
2. Operand Alignment
3. Endian mode (Big-Endian or Little-Endian)
4. Crossing no boundary
5. Crossing a Cache Block Boundary
6. Crossing a Page Boundary that is also a protection boundary (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141, "Storage Protection").
7. Crossing a BAT Boundary
See Book III for a description of BAT.
8. Crossing a Segment Boundary
See Book III for a description of storage segments.

The *Load and Store Multiple* instructions are defined to operate only on aligned operands. The *Move Assist* instructions have no alignment requirements. Both of these sets of instructions are supported only in Big-Endian mode.

For the purposes of Figures 35 and 36, crossing pages with different storage control attributes is equivalent to crossing a segment boundary.

| Operand | | Boundary Crossing | | | |
|------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|------|------------|
| Size | Byte Align. | None | Cache Block | Page | BAT / Seg. |
| <i>Integer</i> | | | | | |
| 8 Byte | 8 | optimal | — | — | — |
| | 4 | good | good | poor | poor |
| | <4 | poor | poor | poor | poor |
| 4 Byte | 4 | optimal | — | — | — |
| | <4 | good | good | poor | poor |
| 2 Byte | 2 | optimal | — | — | — |
| | <2 | good | good | poor | poor |
| 1 Byte | 1 | optimal | — | — | — |
| <i>lmw, stmw</i> | 4 | good | good | good | poor |
| string | | good | good | poor | poor |
| <i>Float</i> | | | | | |
| 8 Byte | 8 | optimal | — | — | — |
| | 4 | good | good | poor | poor |
| | <4 | poor | poor | poor | poor |
| 4 Byte | 4 | optimal | — | — | — |
| | <4 | poor | poor | poor | poor |

Figure 35. Performance Effects of Storage Operand Placement, Big-Endian mode

| Operand | | Boundary Crossing | | | |
|----------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| Size | Byte Align. | None | Cache Block | Page | BAT / Seg. |
| <i>Integer</i> | | | | | |
| 8 Byte | 8 <8 | optimal poor | — poor | — poor | — poor |
| 4 Byte | 4 <4 | optimal poor | — poor | — poor | — poor |
| 2 Byte | 2 <2 | optimal poor | — poor | — poor | — poor |
| 1 Byte | 1 | optimal | — | — | — |
| <i>Float</i> | | | | | |
| 8 Byte | 8 <8 | optimal poor | — poor | — poor | — poor |
| 4 Byte | 4 <4 | optimal poor | — poor | — poor | — poor |

Figure 36. Performance Effects of Storage Operand Placement, Little-Endian mode

6.1 Instruction Restart

If a storage access crosses a page boundary that is also a protection boundary, a BAT boundary, or a segment boundary, a number of conditions could cause the execution of the instruction to be aborted after part of the access has been performed. For example, this may occur when a program attempts to access a page it has not previously accessed, or when the processor must check for a possible change in storage control attributes when an access crosses a page boundary. When this occurs, the implementation or the operating system may restart the instruction. If the instruction is restarted, some bytes of the location may be loaded from or stored to the target location a second time.

The following rules apply to storage accesses with regard to restarting the instruction.

Aligned Accesses

A single-register instruction which accesses an aligned operand is never restarted.

Unaligned Accesses

A single-register instruction which accesses an unaligned operand may be restarted if the access crosses a page, BAT, or segment boundary.

Load and Store Multiple, Move Assist

These instructions may be restarted if, in accessing the locations specified by the instruction, a page, BAT, or segment boundary is crossed.

Programming Note

The programmer should assume that any unaligned access in an ordinary storage segment might be restarted. Software can ensure this does not occur by use of direct-store segments or BAT areas, neither of which have page boundaries (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141).

Unsynchronized TLB invalidates do not have a defined result.

6.2 Atomicity and Order

Access Atomicity

With the exception of double-precision floating-point operands in 32-bit implementations, all aligned accesses are atomic. No other access is required to be atomic. Instructions causing multiple accesses (*Load and Store Multiple* and *Move Assist*) are not atomic.

Access Order

Since the ordering of storage accesses is not guaranteed unless the programmer inserts the appropriate ordering instructions, the order of accesses generated by a single instruction is not guaranteed. Unaligned accesses, *Load and Store Multiple* instructions, and *Move Assist* instructions have no implicit ordering characteristics. For example, processor A may store a word operand on an odd halfword boundary. It may appear to processor A that the store completed atomically. Processor or other mechanism B, executing a load from the same location, may get a result that is a combination of the value of the first halfword that existed prior to the store by processor A and the value of the second halfword stored by processor A.

Chapter 7. Storage Control Instructions

The instructions in this chapter are not privileged. For most of them, if the applicable cache is not present the operation is a “no-op” and has no effect on any register or on storage. The only exception is the *dcbz* instruction. When the data cache does not exist, *dcbz* either zeros a certain number of bytes of storage (which has an effect similar to zeroing bytes in a cache block which are later written to storage) or invokes the system alignment error handler (so that its function can be simulated).

As with other storage instructions, the effect of the *Cache Management* instructions on storage is weakly consistent. If the programmer needs to ensure that *Cache Management* or other instructions have been performed with respect to all other processors and mechanisms, a *sync* instruction must be placed in the program following those instructions.

The description of many of the *Cache Management* instructions has a statement that defines its storage semantics, such as “This instruction is treated as a store to the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection.” This statement defines the operation of the instruction with respect to how it affects the page Reference and Change bits, and whether or not interrupts occur for a translation error or a protection violation (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141).

7.1 Parameters Useful to Application Programs

It is suggested that the operating system provide a service that allows an application program to obtain the following information.

1. Page size
2. Coherence block size
3. Granule size for reservations
4. An indicator of whether the processor has (a) a combined cache or no caches, or (b) some other cache configuration (split caches or one cache only; if instruction cache fetches pass through the data cache, the cache is considered to be a split cache)
5. Instruction cache size
6. Data cache size
7. Instruction cache line size (see Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*)
8. Data cache line size (see Book IV)
9. Block size for *icbi* (if no instruction cache, number of bytes zeroed by *dcbz*)
10. Block size for *dcbt* and *dcbtst* (if no data cache, number of bytes zeroed by *dcbz*)
11. Block size for *dcbz*, *dcbst*, *dcbf*, and *dcbi* (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141 for a description of *dcbi*) (if no data cache, number of bytes zeroed by *dcbz*)
12. Instruction cache associativity
13. Data cache associativity
14. Factors for converting the Time Base to seconds

If the caches are combined, the same value should be given for an I-cache attribute and the corresponding D-cache attribute.

7.2 Cache Management Instructions

7.2.1 Instruction Cache Instructions

Instruction caches, if they exist, are not required to be consistent with data caches, storage, nor I/O data transfers. Software must use the appropriate *Cache Management* instructions to ensure that instruction caches are kept consistent when instructions are modified by the processor or by input data transfer. When a processor alters a storage location that may be contained in an instruction cache, software must ensure that updates to storage are visible to the instruction fetching mechanism. Although the instructions to accomplish this vary among implementations and hence many operating systems will provide a system service for this function, the following sequence is typical.

1. *dcbst* - update storage
2. *sync* - wait for update (see Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1)
3. *icbi* - invalidate copy in instruction cache
4. *isync* - perform context synchronization (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141)

These operations are necessary because the storage may be in Write Through Not Required mode. Since instruction fetching may bypass the data cache, changes made to items in the data cache may not be reflected in storage until after the instruction fetch completes.

Instruction Cache Block Invalidate X-form

icbi RA, RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 982 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is in Coherence Required mode, and a block containing the byte addressed by EA is in the instruction cache of any processor, the block is made invalid in all such processors, so that subsequent references cause the block to be refetched.

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is in Coherence Not Required mode, and a block containing the byte addressed by EA is in the instruction cache of this processor, the block is made invalid in this processor, so that subsequent references cause the block to be fetched from main storage (or perhaps from a data cache).

It is acceptable to treat this instruction as a load from the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection. Implementations with a combined data and instruction cache may treat the *icbi* instruction as a no-op, even to the extent of not validating the EA.

If the EA references storage outside of main storage (see Direct-Store Segments in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), the instruction is treated as a no-op.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Instruction Synchronize XL-form

isync

[Power mnemonic: ics]

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 19 | /// | /// | /// | 150 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

This instruction waits for all previous instructions to complete and then discards any prefetched instructions, causing subsequent instructions to be fetched (or refetched) from storage and to execute in the context established by the previous instructions. This instruction has no effect on other processors or on their caches.

This instruction is context synchronizing (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141).

Special Registers Altered:
None

7.2.2 Data Cache Instructions

Data caches and combined caches, if they exist, are required to be consistent with other data caches, combined caches, storage, and I/O data transfers. However, to ensure consistency, aliased effective addresses (two effective addresses that map to the

same real address) must have the same page offset (see Section 5.7, “Shared Storage” on page 125).

If the effective address references storage outside of main storage (see Direct-Store Segments in Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141), the instruction is treated as a no-op.

Data Cache Block Touch X-form

`dcbt` RA, RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 278 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$.

This instruction is a hint that performance will probably be improved if the block containing the byte addressed by EA is fetched into the data cache, because the program will probably soon load from the addressed byte. Executing `dcbt` will not cause the system error handler to be invoked.

It is acceptable to treat this instruction as a load from the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection, except that the system error handler must not be invoked for a translation or protection violation.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Programming Note

The purpose of this instruction is to allow the program to request a cache block fetch before it is actually needed by the program. The program can later perform loads to put data into registers. However, the processor is not obliged to load the addressed block into the data cache.

Data Cache Block Touch for Store X-form

`dcbtst` RA, RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 246 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$.

This instruction is a hint that performance will probably be improved if the block containing the byte addressed by EA is fetched into the data cache, because the program will probably soon store into the addressed byte. Executing `dcbtst` will not cause the system error handler to be invoked.

It is acceptable to treat this instruction as a load from the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection, except that the system error handler must not be invoked for a translation or protection violation. Since `dcbtst` does not modify storage, it must not be recorded as a store.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Programming Note

The purpose of this instruction is to allow the program to request a cache block fetch before it is actually needed by the program. The program can later perform stores to put data into storage. However, the processor is not obliged to load the addressed block into the data cache.

Data Cache Block set to Zero X-form

dcbz RA, RB

[Power mnemonic: dclz]

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|------|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 1014 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$.

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is in the data cache, all bytes of the block are set to zero.

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is not in the data cache and the corresponding page is Caching Allowed, the block is established in the data cache without fetching the block from main storage, and all bytes of the block are set to zero.

If the page containing the byte addressed by EA is Caching Inhibited or Write Through Required, then either (a) all bytes of the area of main storage that corresponds to the addressed block are set to zero, or (b) the system alignment error handler is invoked.

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is in Coherence Required mode, and the block exists in the data cache(s) of any other processor(s), it is kept coherent in those caches.

This instruction is treated as a store to the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Programming Note

If the page containing the byte addressed by EA is Caching Inhibited or Write Through Required, the system alignment error handler should set to zero all bytes of the area of main storage that corresponds to the addressed block.

See the *Interrupt* chapter of Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141 for discussion of a possible delayed Machine Check interrupt that can be caused by *dcbz* if the operating system has set up an incorrect storage mapping.

Data Cache Block Store X-form

dcbst RA, RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 54 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$.

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is in Coherence Required mode, and a block containing the byte addressed by EA is in the data cache of any processor and has been modified, the writing of it to main storage is initiated.

If the block containing the byte addressed by EA is in Coherence Not Required mode, and a block containing the byte addressed by EA is in the data cache of this processor and has been modified, the writing of it to main storage is initiated.

The function of this instruction is independent of the Write Through Required/Not Required and Caching Inhibited/Allowed modes of the block containing the byte addressed by EA.

It is acceptable to treat this instruction as a load from the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Data Cache Block Flush X-form

dcbf RA, RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 86 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

The action taken depends on the storage mode associated with the target and on the state of the block. The list below describes the action taken for the various cases. The actions described must be executed regardless of whether the page containing the addressed byte is in Caching Inhibited or Caching Allowed mode.

1. Coherence Required

Unmodified Block

Invalidate copies of the block in the caches of all processors.

Modified Block

Copy the block to storage. Invalidate copies of the block in the caches of all processors.

Absent Block

If modified copies of the block are in the caches of other processors, cause them to be copied to storage and invalidated. If unmodified copies are in the caches of other processors, cause those copies to be invalidated.

2. Coherence Not Required

Unmodified Block

Invalidate the block in the processor's cache.

Modified Block

Copy the block to storage. Invalidate the block in the processor's cache.

Absent Block

Do nothing.

The function of this instruction is independent of the Write Through Required/Not Required and Caching Inhibited/Allowed modes of the block containing the byte addressed by EA.

It is acceptable to treat this instruction as a load from the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection.

Special Registers Altered:

None

7.3 Enforce In-order Execution of I/O Instruction

Enforce In-order Execution of I/O X-form

eieio

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | /// | 854 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

The *eieio* instruction provides an ordering function for the effects of loads and stores executed by a processor. Executing an *eieio* instruction ensures that all applicable loads and stores previously initiated by the processor are complete with respect to main storage before any applicable loads and stores subsequently initiated by the processor access main storage.

eieio orders loads and stores to storage that is both Caching Inhibited and Guarded (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), and stores to storage that is Write Through Required. It does not affect the order of other data accesses, nor of cache operations (whether caused explicitly by execution of a *Cache Management* instruction, or implicitly by the cache coherence mechanism).

Special Registers Altered:

None

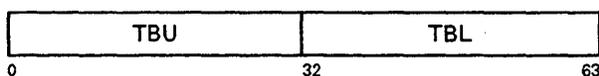
Programming Note

The *eieio* instruction is intended for use in doing memory-mapped I/O (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) and in preventing load/store combining operations in main storage. It can be thought of as placing a barrier into the stream of storage accesses issued by a processor, such that any given storage access appears to be on the same side of the barrier to both the processor and the I/O device.

The *eieio* instruction may complete before previously initiated storage accesses have been performed with respect to other processors and mechanisms.

Chapter 8. Time Base

The Time Base (TB) is a 64-bit register (see Figure 37) containing a 64-bit unsigned integer which is incremented periodically. Each increment adds 1 to the low-order bit (bit 63). The frequency at which the counter is updated is implementation-dependent.



| Field | Description |
|-------|----------------------------|
| TBU | Upper 32 bits of Time Base |
| TBL | Lower 32 bits of Time Base |

Figure 37. Time Base

The Time Base increments until its value becomes 0xFFFF_FFFF_FFFF_FFFF ($2^{64} - 1$). At the next increment, its value becomes 0x0000_0000_0000_0000. There is no explicit indication (such as an interrupt: see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) that this has occurred.

The period of the Time Base depends on the driving frequency. As an order of magnitude example, suppose that the CPU clock is 100 MHz and that the Time Base is driven by this frequency divided by 32. Then the period of the Time Base would be

$$T_{TB} = \frac{2^{64} \times 32}{100 \text{ MHz}} = 5.90 \times 10^{12} \text{ seconds}$$

which is approximately 187,000 years.

The PowerPC Architecture does not specify a relationship between the frequency at which the Time Base is updated and other frequencies, such as the CPU clock or bus clock, in a PowerPC system. The Time Base update frequency is not required to be constant. What is required, so that system software can keep time of day and operate interval timers, is that either:

- The system provides an (implementation-dependent) interrupt to software whenever the update frequency of the Time Base changes, and

also a means to determine what the current update frequency is; or

- The update frequency of the Time Base is under the control of the system software.

Programming Note

If the operating system initializes the Time Base on power-on to some reasonable value and the update frequency of the Time Base is constant, the Time Base can be used as a source of values which increase at a constant rate, such as for time stamps in trace entries.

Even if the update frequency is not constant, values read from the Time Base are monotonically increasing (except when the Time Base wraps from $2^{64}-1$ to 0). If a trace entry is recorded each time the update frequency changes, the sequence of Time Base values can be post-processed to become actual time values.

8.1 Time Base Instructions

Extended mnemonics

A pair of extended mnemonics is provided for the *mftb* instruction so that it can be coded with the TBR name as part of the mnemonic rather than as a numeric operand. See the Assembler Extended Mnemonics appendix in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.

Move From Time Base XFX-form

mftb RT,TBR

| | | | | |
|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | tbr | 371 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 21 | 31 |

```

n ← tbr5:9 || tbr0:4
if n = 268 then
  if (64-bit implementation) then
    RT ← TB
  else
    RT ← TB32:63
else if n = 269 then
  if (64-bit implementation) then
    RT ← 320 || TB0:31
  else
    RT ← TB0:31

```

The TBR field denotes either the Time Base or Time Base Upper, encoded as shown in Figure 38. The contents of the designated register are placed into register RT. When reading Time Base Upper on a 64-bit implementation, the high-order 32 bits of register RT are set to zero.

| decimal | TBR* | | Register name | Privileged |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------|
| | tbr _{5:9} | tbr _{0:4} | | |
| 268 | 01000 | 01100 | TB | no |
| 269 | 01000 | 01101 | TBU | no |

* Note that the order of the two 5-bit halves of the TBR number is reversed.

Figure 38. TBR encodings for *mftb*

If the TBR field contains any value other than one of the values shown above, the instruction form is invalid.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Extended Mnemonics:

Extended mnemonics for *Move From Time Base*:

| Extended: | Equivalent to: |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| <i>mftb</i> Rt | <i>mftb</i> Rt,268 |
| <i>mftbu</i> Rt | <i>mftb</i> Rt,269 |

Programming Note

mftb serves as both a basic and an extended mnemonic. The assembler will recognize an *mftb* mnemonic with two operands as the basic form, and an *mftb* mnemonic with one operand as the extended form. Another way of saying this is that if *mftb* is coded with one operand, then that operand is assumed to be RT, and TBR defaults to the value corresponding to TB.

Compiler and Assembler Note

The TBR number coded in assembler language does not appear directly as a 10-bit binary number in the instruction. The number coded is split into two 5-bit halves that are reversed in the instruction, with the high-order 5 bits appearing in bits 16:20 of the instruction and the low-order 5 bits in bits 11:15.

8.2 Reading the Time Base on 64-bit Implementations

The contents of the Time Base may be read into a GPR by the *mftb* extended mnemonic. To read the contents of the Time Base into register Rx, execute:

```
mftb Rx
```

Reading the Time Base has no effect on the value it contains or the periodic incrementing of that value.

8.3 Reading the Time Base on 32-bit Implementations

On 32-bit implementations, it is not possible to read the entire 64-bit Time Base in a single instruction. The *mftb* extended mnemonic moves from the lower half of the Time Base (TBL) to a GPR, and the *mftbu* extended mnemonic moves from the upper half (TBU) to a GPR.

Because of the possibility of a carry from TBL to TBU occurring between reads of TBL and TBU, a sequence such as the following is necessary to read the Time Base on 32-bit implementations.

```

loop:
  mftbu Rx      # load from TBU
  mftb  Ry      # load from TBL
  mftbu Rz      # load from TBU
  cmpw  Rz,Rx   # see if 'old' = 'new'
  bne   loop    # loop if carry occurred

```

The comparison and loop are necessary to ensure that a consistent pair of values has been obtained.

8.4 Computing Time of Day from the Time Base

Since the update frequency of the Time Base is implementation-dependent, the algorithm for converting the current value in the Time Base to time of day is also implementation-dependent.

As an example, assume that the Time Base is incremented at a constant rate of once for every 32 cycles of a 100 MHz CPU instruction clock. What is wanted is the pair of 32-bit values comprising a POSIX

standard clock¹: the number of whole seconds which have passed since midnight January 0, 1970, and the remaining fraction of a second expressed as a number of nanoseconds.

Assume that:

- The value 0 in the Time Base represents the start time of the POSIX clock (if this is not true, a simple 64-bit subtraction will make it so).

- Integer constant *ticks_per_sec* contains the value

$$\frac{100 \text{ MHz}}{32} = 3,125,000$$

which is the number of times the Time Base is updated each second.

- Integer constant *ns_adj* contains the value

$$\frac{1,000,000,000}{3,125,000} = 320$$

which is the number of nanoseconds per tick of the Time Base.

64-bit Implementations

The POSIX clock can be computed with an instruction sequence such as this:

```
mftb Ry      # Ry = Time Base
lwz Rx,ticks_per_sec
divd Rz,Ry,Rx # Rz = whole seconds
stw Rz,posix_sec
mulld Rz,Rz,Rx # Rz = quotient * divisor
sub Rz,Ry,Rz # Rz = excess ticks
lwz Rx,ns_adj
mulld Rz,Rz,Rx # Rz = excess nanoseconds
stw Rz,posix_ns
```

32-bit Implementations

On a 32-bit machine, direct implementation of the code given above for 64-bit machines is awkward, due mainly to the difficulty of doing 64-bit division.² Such division can be avoided entirely if a time of day clock in POSIX format is updated at least once each second.

Assume that:

- The operating system maintains the following variables:
 - *posix_tb* (64 bits)
 - *posix_sec* (32 bits)
 - *posix_ns* (32 bits)

These variables hold the value of the Time Base and the computed POSIX seconds and nanoseconds values from the last time the POSIX clock was computed.

- The operating system arranges for an interrupt (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) to occur at least once per second, at which time it recomputes the POSIX clock values.
- The integer constant *billion* contains the value 1,000,000,000.

The POSIX clock can be computed with an instruction sequence such as this:

```
loop:
mftbu Rx      # Rz = TBU
mftb Ry      # Ry = TBL
mftbu Rz      # Rz = 'new' TBU value
cmpw Rz,Rx   # see if 'old' = 'new'
bne loop     # loop if carry occurred
# now have 64-bit TB in Rx and Ry
lwz Rz,posix_tb+4
sub Rz,Ry,Rz # Rz = delta in ticks
lwz Rw,ns_adj
mullw Rz,Rz,Rw # Rz = delta in ns
lwz Rw,posix_ns
add Rz,Rz,Rw # Rz = new ns value
lwz Rw,billion
cmpw Rz,Rw   # see if past 1 sec
blt nochange # branch if not
sub Rz,Rz,Rw # adjust nanoseconds
lwz Rw,posix_sec
addi Rw,Rw,1 # adjust seconds
stw Rw,posix_sec # store new seconds
nochange:
stw Rz,posix_ns # store new ns
stw Rx,posix_tb # store new time base
stw Ry,posix_tb+4
```

Note that the upper part of the Time Base does not participate in the calculation to determine the new POSIX time of day. This is correct as long as the delta value does not exceed one second.

Non-constant update frequency

In a system in which the update frequency of the Time Base may change over time, it is not possible to convert an isolated Time Base value into time of day. Instead, a Time Base value has meaning only with respect to the current update frequency and the time of day that the update frequency was last changed. Each time the update frequency changes, either the system software is notified of the change via an interrupt (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment

¹ Described in POSIX Draft Standard P1003.4/D12, *Draft Standard for Information Technology -- Portable Operating System Interface (POSIX) -- Part 1: System Application Program Interface (API) - Amendment 1: Realtime Extension [C Language]*. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., Feb. 1992.

² See D. E. Knuth, *The Art of Computer Programming, Volume 2, Seminumerical Algorithms*, section 4.3.1, Algorithm D. Addison-Wesley, 1981.

Architecture” on page 141), or else the change was instigated by the system software itself. At each such change, the system software must compute the current time of day using the old update frequency, compute a new value of ticks_per_second for the new frequency, and save the time of day, Time Base value, and tick rate. Subsequent calls to compute time of day use the current Time Base value and the saved data.

Programming Note

A generalized service to compute time of day could take the following as input.

1. Time of day at beginning of current epoch
2. Time Base value at beginning of current epoch
3. Time Base update frequency
4. Time Base value for which time of day is desired

For a PowerPC system in which the Time Base update frequency does not vary, the first three inputs would be constant.

Part 3. PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture

This part defines the additional instructions and facilities, beyond those of the PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture and PowerPC Virtual Environment

Architecture. It covers instructions and facilities not available to the application programmer, affecting storage control, interrupts, and timing facilities.

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Chapter 9. Introduction

9.1 Overview

Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1 describes computation modes, compatibility with the Power Architecture, document conventions, a general systems overview, instruction formats, and storage addressing. This chapter augments that description as necessary for the PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture.

9.2 Compatibility with the Power Architecture

The PowerPC Architecture provides binary compatibility for Power application programs, except as described in the "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" appendix of Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1. Binary compatibility is not necessarily provided for privileged Power instructions.

9.3 Document Conventions

The notation and terminology used in Book I applies to this document also, with the following substitutions.

- For "system alignment error handler" substitute "Alignment interrupt."
- For "system data storage error handler" substitute "Data Storage interrupt."
- For "system error handler" substitute "interrupt."
- For "system floating-point assist error handler" substitute "Floating-Point Assist interrupt."
- For "system floating-point enabled exception error handler" substitute "Floating-Point Enabled Exception type Program interrupt."
- For "system floating-point unavailable error handler" substitute "Floating-Point Unavailable interrupt."

- For "system illegal instruction error handler" substitute "Illegal Instruction type Program Interrupt."
- For "system instruction storage error handler" substitute "Instruction Storage interrupt."
- For "system privileged instruction error handler" substitute "Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt."
- For "system service program" substitute "System Call interrupt."
- For "system trap handler" substitute "Trap type Program interrupt."

9.3.1 Definitions and Notation

The following augments the definitions given in Book I.

- The context of a program is defined by the content of the MSR when the program is executing. It defines the manner in which the program accesses and executes instructions, accesses data, controls interrupts, accesses the floating-point unit, and interprets addresses or fixed-point data (32 bits or 64 bits).
- An exception is an error, unusual condition, or external signal, that may set a status bit, and which may or may not cause an interrupt, depending upon whether or not the corresponding interrupt is enabled.
- An interrupt is the act of changing the machine state in response to an exception, as described in Chapter 13, "Interrupts" on page 193.
- A trap interrupt is an interrupt that results from execution of a *Trap* instruction.
- Hardware means any combination of hard-wired implementation, "fast trap" to implementation-dependent software assistance, or interrupt for software assistance. In the last case, the interrupt may be to an architected location or to an implementation-dependent location. Any use of fast traps or interrupts to implement the architec-

ture is described in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

- I, II, III, ... denotes a field that is reserved in an instruction, a register, or in an architected storage table.

9.3.2 Reserved Fields

System software should initialize reserved fields in architected storage tables (Segment Table, Page Table) to 0s and not keep data in them, as the fields may be used in the future by subsequent versions of PowerPC Architecture.

Some fields of certain storage tables may be written to automatically by hardware, e.g. Reference and Change bits in the Page Table. When the hardware writes to such a table, the following rules must be followed:

- No defined field other than the one(s) the hardware is specifically updating may be modified.
- Contents of reserved fields may be preserved by hardware or such fields may be written as 0s. No other changes to reserved fields may be made.

The handling of reserved bits in status and control registers described in Book I applies here as well. In addition, the reader should be cognizant that reading and writing of some of these registers (e.g., the MSR) can occur as a side effect of processing an interrupt and of returning from an interrupt, as well as when requested explicitly by the appropriate instruction (e.g., *mtmsr*).

9.3.3 Description of Instruction Operation

The following augments the definitions given in Book I in the description of the RTL.

| Notation | Meaning |
|-----------|--------------------|
| SEGREG(x) | Segment Register x |

9.4 General Systems Overview

The processor or processor unit contains the sequencing and processing controls for instruction fetch, instruction execution and interrupt action. Instructions that the processing unit can execute fall into a number of classes:

- instructions executed in the Branch Processor
- instructions executed in the Fixed-Point Processor

- instructions executed in the Floating-Point Processor

Almost all instructions executed in the Branch Processor, Fixed-Point Processor, and Floating-Point Processor are non-privileged and are described in Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1. Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117 contains some cache management instructions. Instructions related to the privileged state of the processor, control of processor resources, control of the storage hierarchy, and all other privileged instructions are described here or in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

9.5 Instruction Formats

See Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1 for a description of the instruction formats and addressing.

9.5.1 Instruction Fields

The following augments the instruction fields described in Book I.

SPR (11:20)

Special Purpose Register

See the descriptions of the *mtspr* (page 79) and *mfspr* (page 80) instructions for a list of SPR encodings.

SR (12:15)

Field used to specify one of the 16 Segment Registers.

9.6 Exceptions

The following augments the list, given in Book I, of exceptions that can be caused by the execution of an instruction.

- the execution of a *Load* or *Store* instruction to a direct-store segment, in a manner that causes an exception (direct-store error exception)
- the execution of a traced instruction (Trace exception)

9.7 Synchronization

The synchronization described in this section refers to the state of the processor that is performing the synchronization.

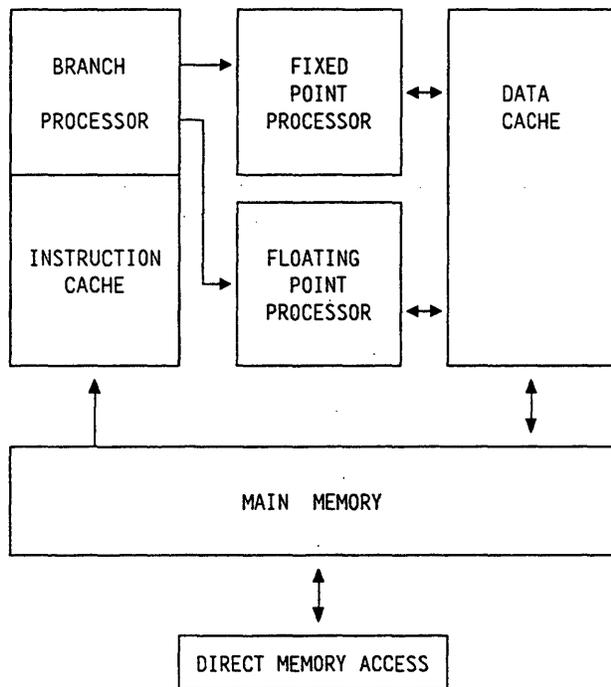


Figure 39. Logical View of the PowerPC Processor Architecture

9.7.1 Context Synchronization

An instruction or event is “context synchronizing” if it satisfies the requirements listed below. Such instructions and events are collectively called “context synchronizing operations.” Examples of context synchronizing operations include the *sc* instruction (see Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1), the *rfi* instruction, and most interrupts.

1. The operation causes instruction dispatching (the issuance of instructions by the instruction fetch mechanism to any instruction execution mechanism) to be halted.
2. The operation is not initiated or, in the case of *isync*, is not completed, until all instructions already in execution have completed to a point at which they have reported all exceptions they will cause. (If a storage access due to a previously initiated instruction may cause one or more Direct-Store Error exceptions, the determination of whether it does cause such exceptions is made before the operation is initiated.)

3. If the operation directly causes an interrupt (e.g., *sc* directly causes a System Call interrupt) or is an interrupt, the operation is not initiated until no exception exists having higher priority than the exception associated with the interrupt (see Section 13.8, “Interrupt Priorities” on page 203).
4. The instructions that precede the operation will complete execution in the context (privilege, relocation, storage protection, etc.) in which they were initiated.
5. The instructions that follow the operation will be fetched and executed in the context established by the operation. (This requires that any pre-fetched instructions be discarded, which in turn requires that any effects and side effects of speculatively executing them also be discarded. The only side effects of these instructions that are permitted to survive are those specified in Section 12.2.5, “Speculative Execution” on page 159.)

A context synchronizing operation is necessarily execution synchronizing; see Section 9.7.2, “Execution Synchronization.” Unlike the *sync* instruction (see Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117), a context synchronizing operation need not wait for storage-related operations to complete on other processors, nor for Reference and Change bits in the Page Table (see Chapter 12, “Storage Control” on page 157) to be updated.

9.7.2 Execution Synchronization

An instruction is “execution synchronizing” if all previously initiated instructions appear to have completed before the instruction is initiated or, in the case of *sync* and *isync*, before the instruction completes. Examples of execution synchronizing instructions are *sync* (see Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1) and *mtmsr*. Also, all context synchronizing instructions (see Section 9.7.1) are execution synchronizing.

Unlike a context synchronizing operation, an execution synchronizing instruction need not ensure that the instructions following that instruction will execute in the context established by that instruction. This new context becomes effective sometime after the execution synchronizing instruction completes and before or at a subsequent context synchronizing operation.



Chapter 10. Branch Processor

10.1 Branch Processor Overview

This chapter describes the details concerning the registers and the privileged instructions implemented in the Branch Processor that are in addition to those shown in Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1.

10.2 Branch Processor Registers

10.2.1 Machine Status Save/Restore Register 0

The Machine Status Save/Restore Register 0 (SRR0) is a 32-bit or 64-bit register depending on the version of the architecture implemented. This register is used to save machine status on interrupts, and to restore machine status when a Return From Interrupt (*rfi*) instruction is executed.

On interrupt, SRR0 is set to the current or next instruction address. Thus if the interrupt occurs in 32-bit mode, the high-order 32 bits of SRR0 are set to 0. When *rfi* is executed, the contents of SRR0 are copied to the current instruction address (CIA), except that the high-order 32 bits of the CIA are set to 0 when returning to 32-bit mode.

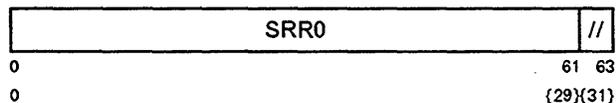


Figure 40. Save/Restore Register 0

In general, SRR0 contains the instruction address that caused the interrupt, or the instruction address to return to after an interrupt is serviced.

Programming Note

In some implementations, every instruction fetch when $MSR_{IR}=1$, and every instruction execution requiring address translation when $MSR_{DR}=1$, may have the side effect of modifying SRR0. For further details see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

10.2.2 Machine Status Save/Restore Register 1

The Machine Status Save/Restore Register 1 (SRR1) is a 32-bit or 64-bit register depending on the version of the architecture implemented. This register is used to save machine status on interrupts, and to restore machine status when an *rfi* instruction is executed.



Figure 41. Save/Restore Register 1

In general, when an interrupt occurs, bits 33:36 and 42:47 {1:4 and 10:15} of SRR1 are loaded with information specific to the interrupt type, and bits 0:32, 37:41, and 48:63 {0, 5:9, and 16:31} of the MSR are placed into the corresponding bit positions of SRR1.

Programming Note

In some implementations, every instruction fetch when $MSR_{IR}=1$, and every instruction execution requiring address translation when $MSR_{DR}=1$, may have the side effect of modifying SRR1. For further details see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

10.2.3 Machine State Register

The Machine State Register (MSR) is a 32-bit or 64-bit register depending on the version of the architecture implemented. This register defines the state of the processor. On interrupt, the MSR bits are altered in accordance with Figure 68 on page 195. The MSR can also be modified by the *mtmsr*, *sc*, and *rfi* instructions. It can be read by the *mfmsr* instruction.

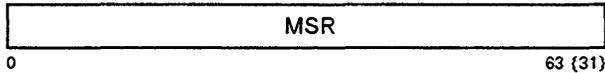


Figure 42. Machine State Register

Below are shown the bit definitions for the Machine State Register. The notation “full function” on a reserved bit means that it is saved in SRR1 when an interrupt occurs. The notation “partial function” means that it is not saved.

Bit(s) Description

- 0 **Sixty-Four-bit mode (SF)**
 - 0 the processor runs in 32-bit mode.
 - 1 the processor runs in 64-bit mode.
- 1:32 {0} Reserved full function
- 33:36 {1:4} Reserved partial function
- 37:41 {5:9} Reserved full function
- 42:44 {10:12} Reserved partial function
- 45 {13} **Power Management Enable (POW)**
 - 0 power management disabled (normal operation mode).
 - 1 power management enabled (reduced power mode).

Power management functions are implementation-dependent. For further descriptions of the effect of this bit, see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.
- 46 {14} Implementation-Dependent Function
See the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.
- 47 {15} **Interrupt Little-Endian Mode (ILE)**
When an interrupt is taken, this bit is copied into MSR_{LE} to select the Endian mode for the context established by the interrupt.
- 48 {16} **External Interrupt Enable (EE)**
 - 0 the processor is disabled against External and Decrementer interrupts.
 - 1 the processor is enabled to take an External or Decrementer interrupt.
- 49 {17} **Problem State (PR)**
 - 0 the processor is privileged to execute any instruction

- 1 the processor can only execute the non-privileged instructions.

MSR_{PR} also affects storage protection, as described in Chapter 12, “Storage Control” on page 157.

50 {18} Floating-Point Available (FP)

- 0 the processor cannot execute any floating-point instructions, including floating-point loads, stores and moves.
- 1 the processor can execute floating-point instructions.

51 {19} Machine Check Enable (ME)

- 0 Machine Check interrupts are disabled.
- 1 Machine Check interrupts are enabled.

52 {20} Floating-Point Exception Mode 0 (FE0)

See below.

53 {21} Single-Step Trace Enable (SE)

- 0 the processor executes instructions normally.
- 1 the processor generates a Single-Step type Trace interrupt upon the successful execution of the next instruction. Successful execution means the instruction caused no other interrupt. See Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

Single-step tracing may not be present on all implementations. If the function is not implemented, MSR_{SE} should be treated as a reserved MSR bit: *mfmsr* may return the last value written to the bit, or may return 0 always.

54 {22} Branch Trace Enable (BE)

- 0 the processor executes branch instructions normally.
- 1 the processor generates a Branch type Trace interrupt after completing the execution of a branch instruction, whether or not the branch is taken. See Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

Branch tracing may not be present on all implementations. If the function is not implemented, MSR_{BE} should be treated as a reserved MSR bit: *mfmsr* may return the last value written to the bit, or may return 0 always.

55 {23} Floating-Point Exception Mode 1 (FE1)

See below.

56 {24} Reserved full function

This bit corresponds to the AL bit of the Power Architecture. It will not be assigned new meaning in the near future. As for any other reserved bit in a register, software is permitted to write the value 1 to this bit, but there is no guarantee that a subsequent

reading of this bit will yield the value that software “wrote” there.

Programming Note

Power-compatible operating systems will probably write the value 1 to this bit.

57 {25} Interrupt Prefix (IP)

In the following description, *nnnn* is the offset of the interrupt. See Figure 69 on page 195.

- 0 interrupts vectored to the real address 0x000n_nnnn in 32-bit versions and real address 0x0000_0000_000n_nnnn in 64-bit versions
- 1 interrupts vectored to the real address 0xFFFFn_nnnn in 32-bit versions and real address 0xFFFF_FFFF_FFFn_nnnn in 64 bit versions.

58 {26} Instruction Relocate (IR)

- 0 instruction address translation is off.
- 1 instruction address translation is on.

59 {27} Data Relocate (DR)

- 0 data address translation is off.
- 1 data address translation is on.

60 {28} Reserved full function

61 {29} Reserved full function

62 {30} Recoverable Interrupt (RI)

- 0 interrupt is not recoverable.
- 1 interrupt is recoverable.

Additional information about the use of this bit is given in Sections 13.4, “Interrupt Processing” on page 194, 13.5.1, “System Reset Interrupt” on page 196, and 13.5.2, “Machine Check Interrupt” on page 196.

63 {31} Little-Endian Mode (LE)

- 0 the processor runs in Big-Endian mode.
- 1 the processor runs in Little-Endian mode.

The Floating-Point Exception Mode bits are interpreted as shown below. For further details see Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1.

| FE0 | FE1 | Mode |
|-----|-----|--------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | Interrupts disabled |
| 0 | 1 | Imprecise Nonrecoverable |
| 1 | 0 | Imprecise Recoverable |
| 1 | 1 | Precise |

10.2.4 Processor Version Register

The Processor Version Register is a 32-bit read-only register that contains a value identifying the specific version (model) and revision level of the PowerPC processor. The contents of the PVR can be copied to a GPR by the *mfscr* instruction. Read access to the PVR is privileged; write access is not provided.

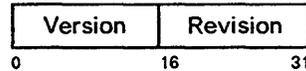


Figure 43. Processor Version Register

The PVR contains two fields:

Version A 16-bit number that uniquely determines a particular processor version and version of the PowerPC Architecture. This number can be used to determine the version of a processor; it may not distinguish between different product models if more than one model uses the same processor.

Revision A 16-bit number that distinguishes between various releases of a particular version, i.e. an Engineering Change Level.

The value of the Version portion of the PVR is assigned by the PowerPC Architecture process. Values assigned to date are listed in – Heading ‘PVN’ unknown –.

The value of the Revision portion of the PVR is implementation defined.

10.3 Branch Processor Instructions

10.3.1 System Linkage Instructions

These instructions provide the means by which a program can call upon the system to perform a service, and by which the system can return from performing a service or from processing an interrupt.

These instructions are context synchronizing, as defined in Section 9.7.1, "Context Synchronization" on page 145.

The *System Call* instruction is described in Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1, but only at the level required by an application programmer. A complete description of this instruction appears below.

System Call SC-form

sc

[Power mnemonic: svca]

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 17 | /// | /// | /// | 1 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 30 | 31 |

$SRR0 \leftarrow_{iea} CIA + 4$

$SRR1_{33:36\ 42:47\ \{1:4\ 10:15\}} \leftarrow \text{undefined}$

$SRR1_{0:32\ 37:41\ 48:63\ \{0\ 5:9\ 16:31\}} \leftarrow MSR_{0:32\ 37:41\ 48:63\ \{0\ 5:9\ 16:31\}}$

$MSR \leftarrow \text{new_value}$ (see below)

$NIA \leftarrow_{iea} \text{base_ea} + 0xC00$ (see below)

The effective address of the instruction following the *System Call* instruction is placed into SRR0. Bits 0:32, 37:41, and 48:63 {0, 5:9, and 16:31} of the MSR are placed into the corresponding bits of SRR1, and bits 33:36 and 42:47 {1:4 and 10:15} of SRR1 are set to undefined values.

Then a System Call interrupt is generated. The interrupt causes the MSR to be altered as described in Section 13.5, "Interrupt Definitions" on page 195.

The interrupt causes the next instruction to be fetched from offset 0xC00 from the base real address indicated by the new setting of MSR_{IP}.

This instruction is context synchronizing.

Special Registers Altered:

SRR0 SRR1 MSR

Compatibility Note

For a discussion of Power compatibility with respect to instruction bits 16:29, please refer to the "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" appendix of Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1. For compatibility with future versions of this architecture, these bits should be coded as zero.

Return From Interrupt XL-form

rfi

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 19 | /// | /// | /// | 50 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$MSR_{0:32\ 37:41\ 48:63\ \{0\ 5:9\ 16:31\}} \leftarrow SRR1_{0:32\ 37:41\ 48:63\ \{0\ 5:9\ 16:31\}}$
 $NIA \leftarrow_{iea} SRR0_{0:61(0:29)} \parallel 0b00$

Bits 0:32, 37:41, and 48:63 {0, 5:9, and 16:31} of SRR1 are placed into the corresponding bits of the MSR. Then the next instruction is fetched, under control of the new MSR value, from the address $SRR0_{0:61(0:29)} \parallel 0b00$ (32-bit implementations, and 64-bit implementations when SF=1 in the new MSR value) or ${}^{32}0 \parallel SRR0_{32:61} \parallel 0b00$ (64-bit implementations when SF=0 in the new MSR value).

If this instruction enables any pending exceptions, the interrupt associated with the highest priority pending exception is generated.

This instruction is privileged and context synchronizing.

Special Registers Altered:

Chapter 11. Fixed-Point Processor

11.1 Fixed-Point Processor Overview

This chapter describes the details concerning the registers and the privileged instructions implemented in the Fixed-Point Processor that are in addition to those shown in Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1.

11.2 PowerPC Special Purpose Registers

The Special Purpose Registers are read and written via the *mf spr* (page 79) and *mt spr* (page 79) instructions. The descriptions of these instructions list the valid encodings of SPR numbers. Encodings not listed are reserved for future use or for use as implementation-specific registers.

Most SPRs are defined in other parts of this book; see the index to locate those definitions. Some SPRs are specific to an implementation. See Appendix M, "Implementation-Specific SPRs" on page 273 and Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

11.3 Fixed-Point Processor Registers

11.3.1 Data Address Register

The Data Address Register (DAR) is a 32-bit or 64-bit register depending on the version of the architecture implemented. See Sections 13.5.3, "Data Storage Interrupt" on page 194, and 13.5.6, "Alignment Interrupt" on page 196.

When an interrupt that uses the DAR occurs, the DAR is set to the effective address associated with the interrupting instruction. If the interrupt occurs in

32-bit mode, the high-order 32 bits of the DAR are set to 0.



Figure 44. Data Address Register

11.3.2 Data Storage Interrupt Status Register

The Data Storage Interrupt Status Register (DSISR) is a 32-bit register that defines the cause of Data Storage and Alignment interrupts. See Sections 13.5.3, "Data Storage Interrupt" on page 194 and 13.5.6, "Alignment Interrupt" on page 196.

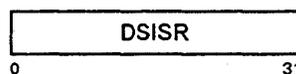


Figure 45. Data Storage Interrupt Status Register

11.3.3 Software-use SPRs

SPRG0 through SPRG3 are 64-bit {32-bit} registers provided for operating system use.

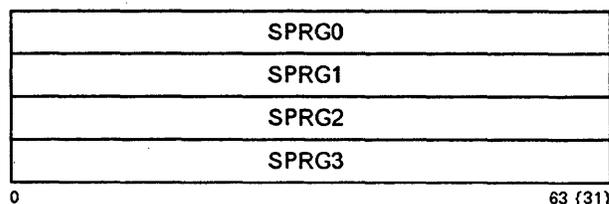


Figure 46. Software-use SPRs

The following list describes the conventional uses of SPRG0 through SPRG3.

SPRG0

Software may load a unique real address in this register to identify an area of storage reserved for use by the first level interrupt handler. This area must be unique for each processor in the system.

SPRG1

This register may be used as a scratch register by the first level interrupt handler to save the content of a GPR. That GPR then can be loaded from SPRG0 and used as a base register to save other GPR's to storage.

SPRG2

This register may be used by the operating system as needed.

SPRG3

This register may be used by the operating system as needed.

11.4 Fixed-Point Processor Privileged Instructions

11.4.1 Move To/From System Registers Instructions

The *Move To Special Purpose Register* and *Move From Special Purpose Register* instructions are described in Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1, but only at the level available to an application programmer. In particular, no mention is made there of registers that can be accessed only in privileged state. A complete description of these instructions appears below.

Extended mnemonics

A set of extended mnemonics is provided for the *mtspr* and *mfspir* instructions so that they can be coded with the SPR name as part of the mnemonic rather than as a numeric operand. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 221.

Move To Special Purpose Register XFX-form

mtspr SPR,RS

| | | | | |
|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | spr | 467 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 21 | 31 |

```

n = spr5:9 || spr0:4
if length(SPREG(n)) = 64 then
    SPREG(n) ← (RS)
else
    SPREG(n) ← (RS)32:63(0:31)

```

The SPR field denotes a Special Purpose Register, encoded as shown in Figure 47 on page 153. The contents of register RS are placed into the designated Special Purpose Register. For Special Purpose Registers that are 32 bits long, the low-order 32 bits of RS are placed into the SPR.

For this instruction, SPRs TBL and TBU are treated as separate 32-bit registers; setting one leaves the other unaltered.

spr₀ = 1 if and only if writing the register is privileged. Execution of this instruction specifying a defined and privileged register when MSR_{PR} = 1 will result in a Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt.

Additional values of the SPR field, beyond those shown in Figure 47 on page 153, may be defined in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for the implementation (see also Appendix M, "Implementation-Specific SPRs" on page 273). If the SPR field contains any value other than one of these implementation-specific values or one of the values shown in the Figure, the instruction form is invalid. However, if MSR_{PR} = 1 then the only effect of executing an invalid instruction form in which spr₀ = 1 is to cause either a Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt or an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:

See Figure 47 on page 153

Compiler and Assembler Note

For the *mtspr* and *mfspir* instructions, the SPR number coded in assembler language does not appear directly as a 10-bit binary number in the instruction. The number coded is split into two 5-bit halves that are reversed in the instruction, with the high-order 5 bits appearing in bits 16:20 of the instruction and the low-order 5 bits in bits 11:15. This maintains compatibility with Power SPR encodings, in which these two instructions had only a 5-bit SPR field occupying bits 11:15.

| decimal | SPR ¹ | | Register name | Privileged |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------|
| | spr _{5:9} | spr _{0:4} | | |
| 1 | 00000 | 00001 | XER | no |
| 8 | 00000 | 01000 | LR | no |
| 9 | 00000 | 01001 | CTR | no |
| 18 | 00000 | 10010 | DSISR | yes |
| 19 | 00000 | 10011 | DAR | yes |
| 22 | 00000 | 10110 | DEC | yes |
| 25 | 00000 | 11001 | SDR1 | yes |
| 26 | 00000 | 11010 | SRR0 | yes |
| 27 | 00000 | 11011 | SRR1 | yes |
| 272 | 01000 | 10000 | SPRG0 | yes |
| 273 | 01000 | 10001 | SPRG1 | yes |
| 274 | 01000 | 10010 | SPRG2 | yes |
| 275 | 01000 | 10011 | SPRG3 | yes |
| 280 | 01000 | 11000 | ASR ² | yes |
| 282 | 01000 | 11010 | EAR | yes |
| 284 | 01000 | 11100 | TBL | yes |
| 285 | 01000 | 11101 | TBU | yes |
| 528 | 10000 | 10000 | IBAT0U | yes |
| 529 | 10000 | 10001 | IBAT0L | yes |
| 530 | 10000 | 10010 | IBAT1U | yes |
| 531 | 10000 | 10011 | IBAT1L | yes |
| 532 | 10000 | 10100 | IBAT2U | yes |
| 533 | 10000 | 10101 | IBAT2L | yes |
| 534 | 10000 | 10110 | IBAT3U | yes |
| 535 | 10000 | 10111 | IBAT3L | yes |
| 536 | 10000 | 11000 | DBAT0U | yes |
| 537 | 10000 | 11001 | DBAT0L | yes |
| 538 | 10000 | 11010 | DBAT1U | yes |
| 539 | 10000 | 11011 | DBAT1L | yes |
| 540 | 10000 | 11100 | DBAT2U | yes |
| 541 | 10000 | 11101 | DBAT2L | yes |
| 542 | 10000 | 11110 | DBAT3U | yes |
| 543 | 10000 | 11111 | DBAT3L | yes |

¹ Note that the order of the two 5-bit halves of the SPR number is reversed.

² 64-bit implementations only.

Figure 47. SPR encodings for *mtspr*

Programming Note

For a discussion of software synchronization requirements when altering certain Special Purpose Registers, please refer to Appendix L, "Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers" on page 269.

Compatibility Note

For a discussion of Power compatibility with respect to SPR numbers not shown in the instruction descriptions for *mtspr* and *mfspr*, please refer to the "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" appendix of Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1. For compatibility with future versions of this architecture, only SPR numbers discussed in these instruction descriptions should be used.

Move From Special Purpose Register XFX-form

mfspr RT,SPR



```

n ← spr5:9 || spr0:4
if length(SPREG(n)) = 64 then
    RT ← SPREG(n)
else
    RT ← 320 || SPREG(n)

```

The SPR field denotes a Special Purpose Register, encoded as shown in Figure 48 on page 154. The contents of the designated Special Purpose Register are placed into register RT. For Special Purpose Registers that are 32 bits long, the low-order 32 bits of RT receive the contents of the Special Purpose Register and the high-order 32 bits of RT are set to zero.

spr₀=1 if and only if reading the register is privileged. Execution of this instruction specifying a defined and privileged register when MSR_{PR}=1 will result in a Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt.

Additional values of the SPR field, beyond those shown in Figure 48 on page 154, may be defined in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for the implementation (see also Appendix M, "Implementation-Specific SPRs" on page 273). If the SPR field contains any value other than one of these implementation-specific values or one of the values shown in the Figure, the instruction form is invalid. However, if MSR_{PR}=1 then the only effect of executing an invalid instruction form in which spr₀=1 is to cause either a Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt or an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Compiler/Assembler/Compatibility Notes

See the Notes that appear with *mtspr*.

| decimal | SPR ¹ | | Register name | Privileged |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------|
| | spr _{5:9} | spr _{0:4} | | |
| 1 | 00000 | 00001 | XER | no |
| 8 | 00000 | 01000 | LR | no |
| 9 | 00000 | 01001 | CTR | no |
| 18 | 00000 | 10010 | DSISR | yes |
| 19 | 00000 | 10011 | DAR | yes |
| 22 | 00000 | 10110 | DEC | yes |
| 25 | 00000 | 11001 | SDR1 | yes |
| 26 | 00000 | 11010 | SRR0 | yes |
| 27 | 00000 | 11011 | SRR1 | yes |
| 272 | 01000 | 10000 | SPRG0 | yes |
| 273 | 01000 | 10001 | SPRG1 | yes |
| 274 | 01000 | 10010 | SPRG2 | yes |
| 275 | 01000 | 10011 | SPRG3 | yes |
| 280 | 01000 | 11000 | ASR ² | yes |
| 282 | 01000 | 11010 | EAR | yes |
| 287 | 01000 | 11111 | PVR | yes |
| 528 | 10000 | 10000 | IBAT0U | yes |
| 529 | 10000 | 10001 | IBAT0L | yes |
| 530 | 10000 | 10010 | IBAT1U | yes |
| 531 | 10000 | 10011 | IBAT1L | yes |
| 532 | 10000 | 10100 | IBAT2U | yes |
| 533 | 10000 | 10101 | IBAT2L | yes |
| 534 | 10000 | 10110 | IBAT3U | yes |
| 535 | 10000 | 10111 | IBAT3L | yes |
| 536 | 10000 | 11000 | DBAT0U | yes |
| 537 | 10000 | 11001 | DBAT0L | yes |
| 538 | 10000 | 11010 | DBAT1U | yes |
| 539 | 10000 | 11011 | DBAT1L | yes |
| 540 | 10000 | 11100 | DBAT2U | yes |
| 541 | 10000 | 11101 | DBAT2L | yes |
| 542 | 10000 | 11110 | DBAT3U | yes |
| 543 | 10000 | 11111 | DBAT3L | yes |

¹ Note that the order of the two 5-bit halves of the SPR number is reversed.

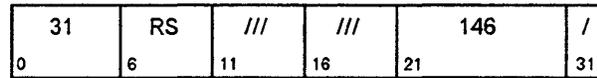
² 64-bit implementations only.

Moving from the Time Base (TB and TBU) is accomplished with the *mtb* instruction, described in Book II.

Figure 48. SPR encodings for mfspr

Move To Machine State Register X-form

mtmsr RS



MSR ← (RS)

The contents of register RS are placed into the MSR.

This instruction is privileged and execution synchronizing.

In addition, alterations to the EE and RI bits are effective as soon as the instruction completes. Thus if MSR_{EE}=0 and an External or Decrementer interrupt is pending, executing an *mtmsr* instruction that sets MSR_{EE} to 1 will cause the External or Decrementer interrupt to be taken before the next instruction is executed.

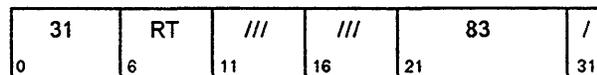
Special Registers Altered:
MSR

Programming Note

For a discussion of software synchronization requirements when altering certain MSR bits, please refer to Appendix L, "Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers" on page 269.

Move From Machine State Register X-form

mfmsr RT



RT ← MSR

The contents of the MSR are placed into RT.

This instruction is privileged.

Special Registers Altered:
none

Chapter 12. Storage Control

12.1 Storage Addressing

A program references storage using the Effective Address computed by the processor when it executes a load, store, branch, or cache instruction, and when it fetches the next sequential instruction. The effective address is translated to a real address according to procedures described in section 12.3, "Address Translation Overview" on page 159 and following. The real address is what is sent to the memory subsystem. See Figure 49 on page 159.

For a complete discussion of storage addressing and effective address calculation, refer to "Storage Addressing" in Chapter 1 of Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1.

Storage Control Overview

- Page size is 2^{12} bytes (4 KB)
- Segment size is 2^{28} bytes (256 MB)
- For 64-bit implementations:
 - Maximum real memory size 2^{64} bytes (16 EB)
 - Effective Address Range 2^{64}
 - Virtual Address Range 2^{80}
 - Number of segments 2^{52}
- For 32-bit implementations:
 - Maximum real memory size 2^{32} bytes (4 GB)
 - Effective Address Range 2^{32}
 - Virtual Address Range 2^{52}
 - Number of segments 2^{24}
- Two types of storage segments based on the state of the T bit in the Segment Table Entry or segment register selected by the Effective Address:
 - T=0: Ordinary storage segment
 - T=1: Direct-store segment

12.2 Storage Model

The storage model provides the following features:

1. The architecture allows the storage implementations to take advantage of the performance benefits of weak ordering of storage access between processors or between processors and devices.
2. The architecture provides instructions that allow the programmer to ensure a consistent and ordered storage state.

- | | |
|----------------|-----------------|
| • <i>dcbf</i> | • <i>lwarx</i> |
| • <i>dcbst</i> | • <i>eieio</i> |
| • <i>dcbz</i> | • <i>stdcx.</i> |
| • <i>icbi</i> | • <i>stwcx.</i> |
| • <i>isync</i> | • <i>sync</i> |
| • <i>ldarx</i> | |

3. Processor ordering: storage accesses by a single processor appear to complete sequentially from the view of the programming model but may complete out of order with respect to the ultimate destination in the storage hierarchy. Order is guaranteed at each level of the storage hierarchy for accesses to the same address from the same processor.
4. Storage consistency between processors and between a processor and I/O is controlled by software through mode bits in the page table. See 12.8.2, "Supported Storage Modes" on page 177. Six modes are supported using the control bits:
 - Write Through
 - Caching Inhibited
 - Memory Coherence

12.2.1 Storage Segments

Storage is divided into 256 MB (2^{28}) segments.

Programming Note

It is possible to provide larger segments to application programs by using multiple adjacent segments.

These segments can be of two types:

- An *ordinary storage segment*, referred to as a “storage segment” or simply as a “segment.” Address translation is controlled by the setting of the relocate bits MSR_{DR} for data and MSR_{IR} for instructions. MSR_{IR} and MSR_{DR} are independent bits and may be set differently. The state of these bits may be changed by interrupts or by executing the appropriate instructions. An effective address in these segments represents a real or virtual address depending on the setting of the relocate bits of the MSR.
- A *direct-store segment*, always referred to by the entire name “direct-store segment.” Such segments may be used for access to I/O. Instruction fetch from direct-store segments is not allowed. MSR_{DR} must be 1 when accessing data in a direct-store segment. See 12.6, “Direct-Store Segments” on page 173 for an explanation of direct-store segments.

The value of the T bit in the Segment Table Entry or Segment Register distinguishes between ordinary storage segments and direct-store segments.

| T | Segment type |
|---|--------------------------|
| 0 | Ordinary storage segment |
| 1 | Direct-store segment |

The T bit in the Segment Table Entry or Segment Register is ignored when fetching instructions with $MSR_{IR}=0$ or when accessing data with $MSR_{DR}=0$. Such accesses are not considered references to direct-store segments.

See also section 12.6, “Direct-Store Segments” on page 173.

12.2.2 Storage Exceptions

Each Effective Address must be translated to real in order to complete the storage access. A *storage exception* occurs if this translation fails for one of the following reasons:

64-bit implementations

- There is no valid entry in the Segment Table for the segment specified by the Effective Address.
- The appropriate Segment Table entry is found, but there is no valid entry in the Page Table for the page specified by the Effective Address.
- Both the appropriate Segment Table and Page Table entries are found, but the access is not allowed by the storage protection mechanism.

32-bit implementations

- There is no valid entry in the Page Table for the page specified by the Effective Address.
- The appropriate Page Table entry is found but the access is not allowed by the storage protection mechanism.

Storage exceptions cause Instruction Storage interrupts and Data Storage interrupts that identify the address of the failing instruction.

In certain cases a storage exception may result in the “restart” of (re-execution of at least part of) a load or store instruction. See the section entitled “Instruction Restart” in Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117

12.2.3 Instruction Fetch

Instructions are fetched under control of MSR_{IR} . When any context synchronizing event occurs, any prefetched instructions are discarded, and then refetched using the then-current state of MSR_{IR} .

$MSR_{IR}=0$

When instruction relocation is off, $MSR_{IR}=0$, the effective address is interpreted as described in section 12.2.6, “Real Addressing Mode” on page 158.

$MSR_{IR}=1$

Instructions are fetched using the address translated by one of the following mechanisms:

1. Segmented Address Translation Mechanism
2. Block Address Translation Mechanism

Instruction fetch from direct-store segments is not supported. An attempt to execute an instruction fetched from a direct-store segment will result in an Instruction Storage interrupt.

12.2.4 Data Storage Access

Data accesses are controlled by MSR_{DR} . When the state of MSR_{DR} changes, subsequent accesses are made using the new state of MSR_{DR} .

$MSR_{DR}=0$

When data relocation is off, $MSR_{DR}=0$, the effective address is interpreted as described in section 12.2.6, “Real Addressing Mode” on page 158.

$MSR_{DR}=1$

When address relocation is on, $MSR_{DR}=1$, the effective address is translated by one of the following mechanisms:

1. Segmented Address Translation Mechanism

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2. Block Address Translation Mechanism
 3. Direct-Store Segment Translation Mechanism

12.2.5 Speculative Execution

Data Access

A **speculative operation** is one that a program “might” perform and that the hardware decides to execute out of order on the *speculation* that the result will be needed. If subsequent events indicate that the speculative instruction would not have been executed, the processor abandons any result the instruction produced. Typically, hardware executes instructions speculatively when it has resources that would otherwise be idle, so that the operation is done without cost or almost so.

Most operations can be performed speculatively, as long as the machine appears to follow a simple sequential model such as presented in Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1. Certain speculative operations are not permitted:

- A speculative store may not be performed in such a manner that the alteration of the target location can be observed by other processors or mechanisms until it can be determined that the store is no longer speculative.
- Speculative loads from “Guarded storage” (see below) are prohibited, except that if a load or store operation will be executed, the entire cache block(s) containing the referenced data may be loaded into the cache.
- No error of any kind other than Machine Check may be reported due to the speculative execution of an instruction, until such time as it is known that execution of the instruction is required.

Speculative loads are allowed from any storage that is not “Guarded storage.” If in doing so a Machine Check exception results, a Machine Check interrupt may be generated even though the data access that caused the Machine Check exception would not have been performed because a previous uncompleted operation would have changed the execution path.

Only one side effect (other than Machine Check) of speculative execution is permitted when a speculative instruction’s result is abandoned: the Reference bit in a Page Table Entry may be set due to a speculative load.

Instruction Prefetch

The processor typically fetches instructions ahead of the one(s) currently being executed in order to avoid delay. Such **instruction prefetching** is a speculative

operation in that prefetched instructions may not be executed due to intervening branches or interrupts.

Most prefetching is permitted, as long as the machine appears to follow a simple sequential model such as presented in Part 1, “PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture” on page 1. Certain prefetching is not permitted:

- Prefetching from “Guarded storage” (see below) is prohibited, except that if an instruction in a cache block will be executed, the entire cache block may be loaded.
- No error of any kind other than Machine Check may be reported due to instruction prefetching, until such time as the instruction that is the target of such prefetch becomes the instruction to be executed.

Speculative instruction fetches are allowed from any storage that is not “Guarded storage.” If in doing so, a Machine Check exception results, a Machine Check interrupt may be generated even if the instruction fetch that caused the Machine Check exception would not have been executed because a previous uncompleted operation would have changed the execution path.

Only one side effect (other than Machine Check) of instruction prefetching is permitted: the Reference bit in a Page Table Entry may be set.

Guarded Storage

Storage is said to be “Guarded” if either (a) the G bit is one in the relevant PTE or DBAT register, or (b) MSR bit IR or DR is zero for instruction fetches or data loads respectively. (In case (b) all of storage is Guarded).

Storage in a Guarded area may not be well-behaved with regard to prefetching and other speculative storage operations. Such storage may represent an I/O device, and a speculative load or instruction fetch directed to such a device may cause the device to perform unexpected or incorrect operations.

Storage addresses in a Guarded area may not have successors; that is, there may be “holes” in a Guarded area of the real address space. On any system, the highest real address has no successor. Lack of a successor address means that speculative sequential operations such as instruction prefetching may fail and may result in a Machine Check.

Load or Store Instruction

A load or store instruction may not speculatively access Guarded storage unless one of the following conditions exist:

1. The target storage location is in a cache. In this case, the location may be accessed in the cache or in main storage.
2. The target storage is Caching Allowed ($I=0$) and it is guaranteed that the load or store is on the branch path that will be executed (in the absence of any intervening interrupts). In this case, the entire cache block containing the target storage location may be loaded into the cache.
3. The target storage is Caching Inhibited ($I=1$), the load or store is on the branch path that will be executed, and no prior instructions can cause an interrupt.

Instruction Fetch

Instructions may not be speculatively fetched from Guarded storage unless one of the following conditions exist:

1. The target storage location is in a cache. In this case, the location may be accessed in the cache or in main storage.
2. $MSR(IR) = 1$ and an instruction has been previously fetched from the page.
3. It is guaranteed that the instruction to be fetched is on the branch path that will be taken (in the absence of any intervening interrupts). If $MSR_{IR}=0$, only the block containing the target instruction may be fetched.

12.2.6 Real Addressing Mode

Whether address translation is enabled is controlled by MSR_{IR} for instruction fetching and by MSR_{DR} for data loads and stores. If address translation is disabled for a particular access (fetch, load, or store), the Effective Address is treated as the Real Address and is passed directly to the memory subsystem.

The EA is a 64-bit {32-bit} quantity computed by the CPU. The width of the Real Address supported by a particular implementation will be less than or equal to this. If it is less, the high-order bits of the EA are ignored when forming the Real Address.

Accesses in real mode bypass all storage protection checks (section 12.10) and do not cause the recording of reference and change information (section 12.9). Real mode data accesses are executed as though the storage access mode bits "WIMG" were 0011 (section 12.8). This mode allows accesses to be cached, does not require the accesses to be written through the cache to main storage, requires the hardware to enforce data consistency with storage, I/O, and other processors (caches), and treats all storage as Guarded storage. Real mode instruction fetches are executed as though the "WIMG" bits were either 0001 or 0011. Speculative fetching of instructions and speculative loads from storage in real mode are prohibited (see "Guarded Storage" above).

Access to direct-store segments (section 12.6) is not possible when translation is disabled, as Segment Table Entries (section 12.4.1.2) or Segment Registers (section 12.5.1.1) are not checked for a $T=1$ specification.

WARNING: An attempt to fetch from, load from, or store to a Real Address that is not physically present in the machine may result in a Machine Check interrupt or a Checkstop (Section 13.5.2).

12.3 Address Translation Overview

Figure 49 gives an overview of the address translation process on PowerPC.

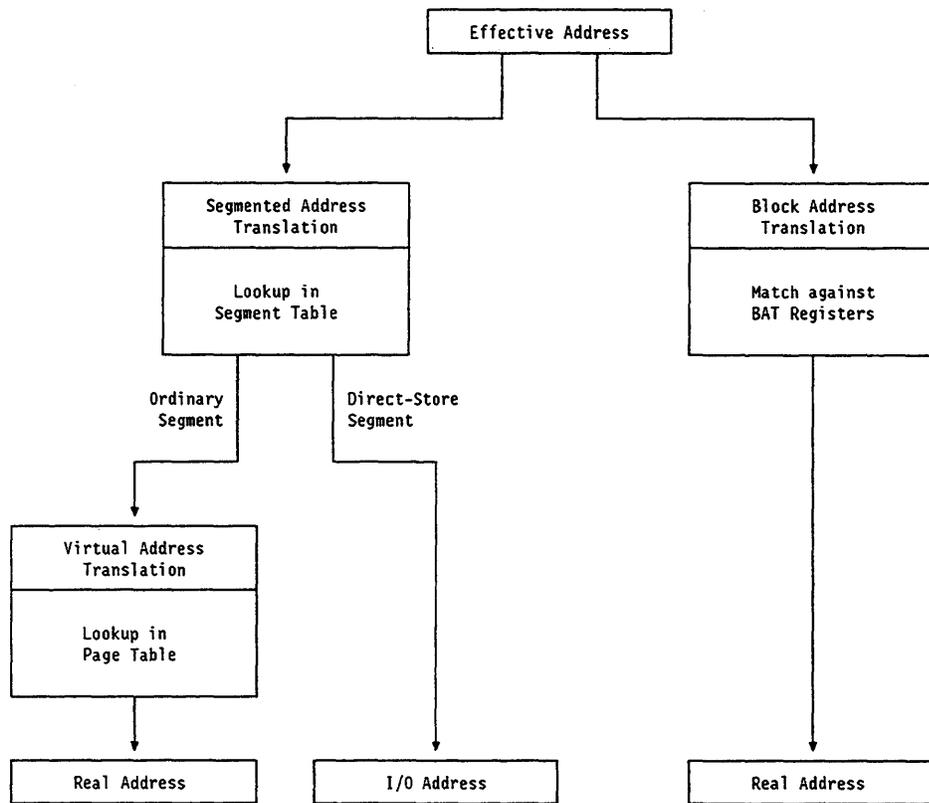


Figure 49. PowerPC Address Translation

The *Effective Address* (EA) is the address generated by the processor for load and store instructions or for instruction fetch. This address is passed simultaneously to two translation mechanisms:

- *Segmented Address Translation*, described in section 12.4 on page 160 for 64-bit implementations, and in section 12.5 on page 168 for 32-bit implementations, and
- *Block Address Translation*, described in section 12.7 on page 174.

A typical *Effective Address* will be successfully translated by just one of these mechanisms. If neither mechanism is successful, a *storage exception* (page 156) results. If both mechanisms are successful, *Block Address Translation* takes precedence.

An *Effective Address* that translates successfully via the *Segmented Address Translation* mechanism (but not by the *Block Address Translation* mechanism) is a reference to one of two types of segments:

- A *direct-store segment*, in which case the address is converted directly into an *I/O address* and is passed to the *I/O* subsystem for further action, or
- An *ordinary segment*, in which case the address is converted into a *real address* that is then used to access storage.

An *Effective Address* that translates successfully via the *Block Address Translation* mechanism is converted directly into a *real address* that is then used to access storage.

12.4 Segmented Address Translation, 64-bit Implementations

Figure 50 shows the steps involved in translating from an Effective Address to a Real Address on a 64-bit implementation.

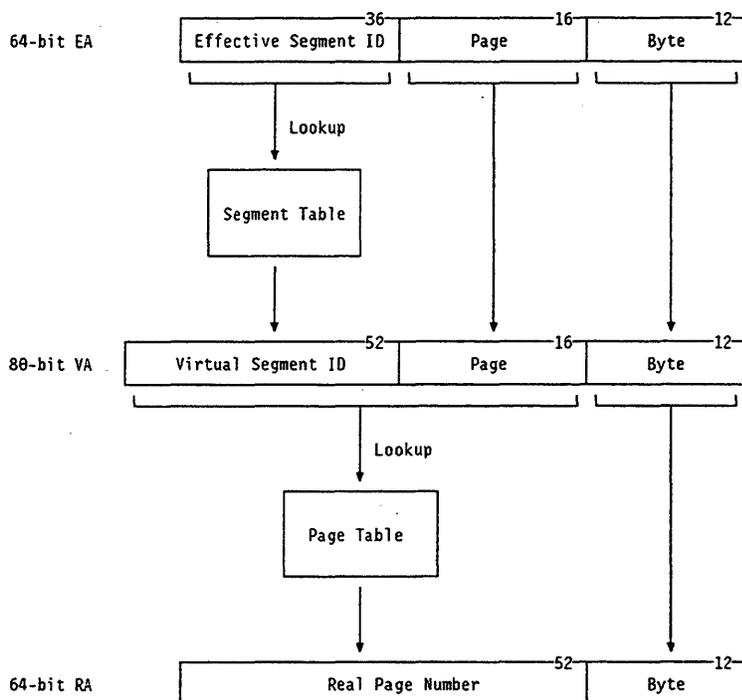


Figure 50. Address Translation Overview (64-bit implementations)

If an access is translated by the Block Address Translation mechanism (BAT, see Section 12.7 on page 174), the BAT translation takes precedence and the results of segmented address translation are not used. If an access is not translated by a BAT, segmented address translation proceeds as follows.

The Effective Address (EA) is a 64-bit quantity computed by the processor. Bits 0:35 of the EA are the Effective Segment ID (ESID); these are looked up in the Segment Table to produce a Virtual Segment ID (VSID). Bits 36:51 of the EA are the Page Number within the segment; these are concatenated with the VSID from the Segment Table to form the Virtual Page Number (VPN). The VPN is looked up in the Page Table to produce a Real Page Number (RPN). Bits 52:63 of the EA are the Byte Offset within the page; these are concatenated with the RPN to form the Real Address (RA) that is used to access storage.

If the processor is executing in 32-bit mode ($MSR_{SF}=0$), the translation process described above is followed except that the high-order 32 bits of the 64-bit Effective Address (that is, bits 0:31 of the ESID)

are forced to zero before the lookup in the Segment Table starts. Bits 32:35 of the EA, which are the high-order 4 bits of the lower 32 bits of the EA, thus constitute the ESID.

If the selected Segment Table Entry identifies the segment as a direct-store segment, the Page Table is not referred to. Rather, translation continues as described in 12.6, "Direct-Store Segments" on page 173.

For ordinary storage segments the translation moves in two steps from Effective Address to Virtual Address (which never exists as a specific entity but can be considered to be the concatenation of the VPN and Byte Offset), and from Virtual Address to Real Address.

The first step in segmented address translation is to convert the effective address into a virtual address, described in section 12.4.1 on page 161. The second step, conversion of the virtual address into a real address, is described in section 12.4.2 on page 164.

12.4.1 Virtual Address Generation, 64-bit Implementations

Conversion of a 64-bit Effective Address to a Virtual Address is done by searching a hashed segment table pointed to by the Address Space Register.

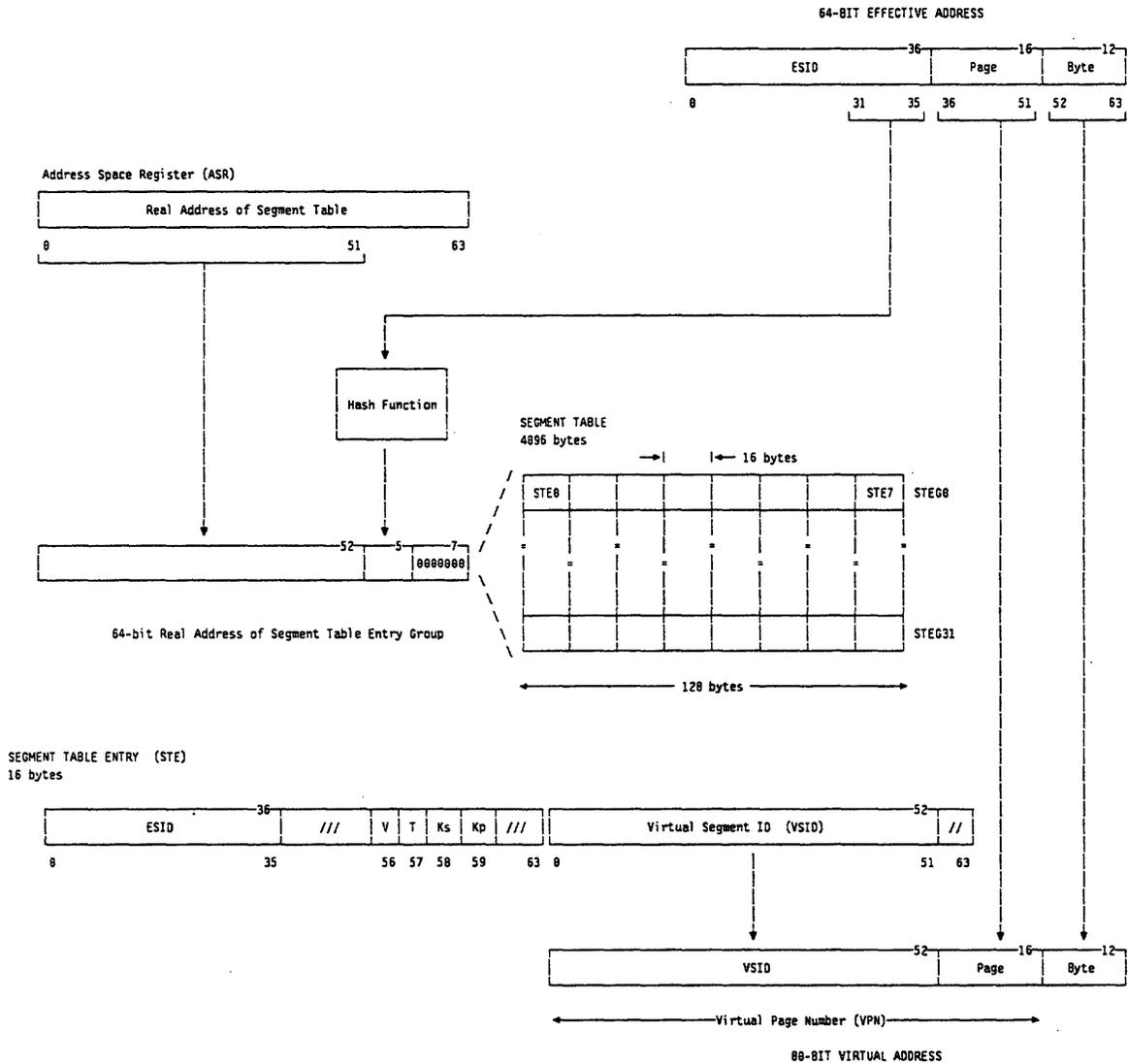


Figure 51. Translation of 64-bit Effective Address to Virtual Address

12.4.1.1 Address Space Register

The ASR is shown in Figure 52. This 64-bit special-purpose register holds the real address of the Segment Table. The Segment Table defines the set of segments that can be addressed at any one time; it is usual to have different segment tables for different processes. The contents of the ASR are usually part of the process state.

Access to the ASR is privileged. The ASR may be read or written by the *mspr* and *mtspr* instructions. See “Move From Special Purpose Register

XFX-form” on page 79 and “Move To Special Purpose Register XFX-form” on page 79.

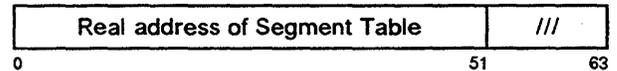
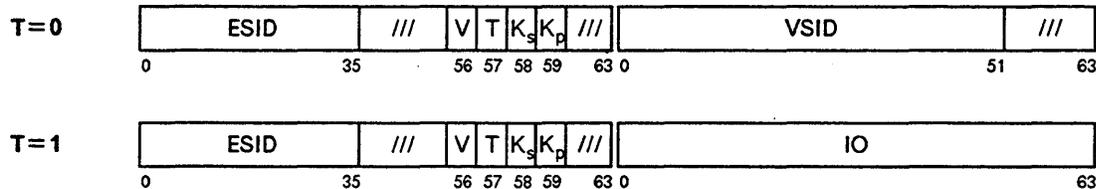


Figure 52. Address Space Register

Programming Note

The values 0, 0x1000, and 0x2000 cannot be used as Segment Table addresses, since these pages contain interrupt vectors.



| Dword | Bit | Name | Description | Dword | Bit | Name | Description |
|-------|------|----------------|------------------------------|-------|------|------|--------------|
| 0 | 0:35 | ESID | Effective Segment ID | 1 | 0:51 | VSID | Virtual SID |
| | 56 | V | Entry valid if V=1 | | 0:63 | IO | I/O specific |
| | 57 | T | Direct-store segment if T=1 | | | | |
| | 58 | K _s | Supervisor state storage key | | | | |
| | 59 | K _p | Problem state storage key | | | | |

All other fields are reserved.

Figure 53. Segment Table Entry format

12.4.1.2 Segment Table

The Segment Table (STAB) is a one-page data structure that defines the mapping between Effective Segment IDs and Virtual Segment IDs. The STAB must be on a page boundary.

The STAB contains 32 Segment Table Entry Groups, or STEGs. A STEG contains 8 Segment Table Entries (STEs) of 16 bytes each; each STEG is thus 128 bytes long. STEGs are entry points for searches of the Segment Table.

See section 12.12, "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" on page 186 for the rules that software must follow when updating the Segment Table.

Segment Table Entry

Each Segment Table Entry (STE) maps one ESID to one VSID. Additional information in the STE controls the STAB search process and provides input to the storage protection mechanism. Figure 53 shows the layout of an STE.

See 12.10, "Storage Protection" on page 179 for a discussion of the storage key bits.

12.4.1.3 Segment Table Search

An outline of the STAB search process is shown in Figure 51 on page 161. The detailed algorithm is as follows:

1. **Primary Hash:** Bits 0:51 of the ASR are concatenated with bits 31:35 of the Effective Address (the low 5 bits of the ESID) and with a field of seven 0s to form the 64-bit real address of a Segment Table Entry Group. This operation is

referred to as the "Primary STAB Hash." This identifies a particular STEG, each of whose 8 STEs will be tested in turn.

2. The first STE in the selected STEG is tested for a match with the EA. In order for a match to exist, the following must be true:

- $STE_V = 1$
- $STE_{ESID} = EA_{0:35}$

If a match is found, the STE search terminates successfully

3. Step 2 is repeated for each of the other 7 STEs in the STEG. The first matching STE terminates the search. If none of the 8 STEs match, the secondary hash must be tried.

4. **Secondary Hash:** Bits 0:51 of the ASR are concatenated with the ones-complement of bits 31:35 of the Effective Address and with a field of seven 0s to form the 64-bit real address of a Segment Table Entry Group. This operation is referred to as the "Secondary STAB Hash."

5. The first STE in the selected STEG is tested for a match with the EA. In order for a match to exist, the following must be true:

- $STE_V = 1$
- $STE_{ESID} = EA_{0:35}$

If a match is found, the STE search terminates successfully.

6. Step 5 is repeated for each of the other 7 STEs in the STEG. The first matching STE terminates the search. If none of the 8 STEs match, the search fails.

If the Segment Table search succeeds, the Virtual Page Number (VPN) is formed by concatenating the VSID from the matching STE with bits 36:51 of the Effective Address (the page number). The complete

80-bit Virtual Address (VA) is formed by concatenating the VPN with bits 52:63 of the EA (the byte offset).

If the search fails, a *page fault* interrupt is taken. This will be an Instruction Storage interrupt or a Data Storage interrupt, depending on whether the Effective Address is for an instruction fetch or for data access.

If the selected STE has $T=1$, the reference is to a direct-store segment. No reference is made to the Page Table; processing continues as described in 12.6, "Direct-Store Segments" on page 173.

Segment Lookaside Buffer

Conceptually, the segment table is searched by the address relocation hardware to translate every reference. For performance reasons the hardware usually keeps a Segment Lookaside Buffer (SLB) that holds STEs that have recently been used. The SLB is searched prior to searching the Segment Table. As a consequence, when software makes changes to the Segment Table it must perform the appropriate SLB invalidate operations to maintain the consistency of the SLB with the tables.

Programming Notes

1. Segment table entries may or may not be cached in an SLB.
2. Table lookups are done using real addresses and storage access mode $M=1$ (Memory Coherence).
3. If software plans to access the STAB with data relocate on, $MSR_{DR}=1$, it must avoid cache synonyms by mapping these tables such that the real and virtual address bits used for cache set selection are the same, just as is required for other virtual accesses. See address alignment requirements described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.
4. It is possible that the hardware implements two SLB arrays (one for data and one for instruction). In this case the size, shape and values contained by the arrays may be different.
5. The ASR must point to a valid Segment Table whenever address relocation is enabled ($MSR_{IR}=1$ or $MSR_{DR}=1$ or both) and the Effective Address is not covered by BAT translation.
6. Use the *slbie* or *slbia* instruction to ensure that the SLB no longer contains a mapping for a particular segment.
7. See Appendix L, "Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers" on page 269, for the synchronization requirements that must be satisfied when a program changes the contents of the ASR.
8. Hardware never modifies the Segment Table.

12.4.1.4 32-bit Execution Mode

When a 64-bit implementation executes in 32-bit mode ($MSR_{SF}=0$), the Segment Table search is modified as follows:

1. The 64-bit Effective Address is computed by the processor as usual.
2. The high-order 32 bits of the EA are forced to zero. Thus the Effective Segment ID consists of 32 0's concatenated with the high-order 4 bits of the lower half of the 64-bit EA.
3. The modified EA is then used as input to the Segment Table search.

The zeroing of the high-order 32 bits effectively truncates the 64-bit EA to a 32-bit EA such as would have been generated on a 32-bit implementation. The ESID in 32-bit mode is the high-order 4 bits of this truncated EA; the ESID thus lies in the range 0:15. These 4 bits would select a Segment Register on a 32-bit implementation; they select one of 16 STEGs in the Segment Table on a 64-bit implementation. These STEGs can be used to emulate the 32-bit machine's Segment Registers.

This truncation of the EA is the sole effect of 32-bit mode ($MSR_{SF}=0$) on address translation; everything else proceeds as for 64-bit mode.

12.4.2 Virtual to Real Translation, 64-bit Implementations

Conversion of an 80-bit Virtual Address to a Real Address is done by searching a hashed page table located by SDR1.

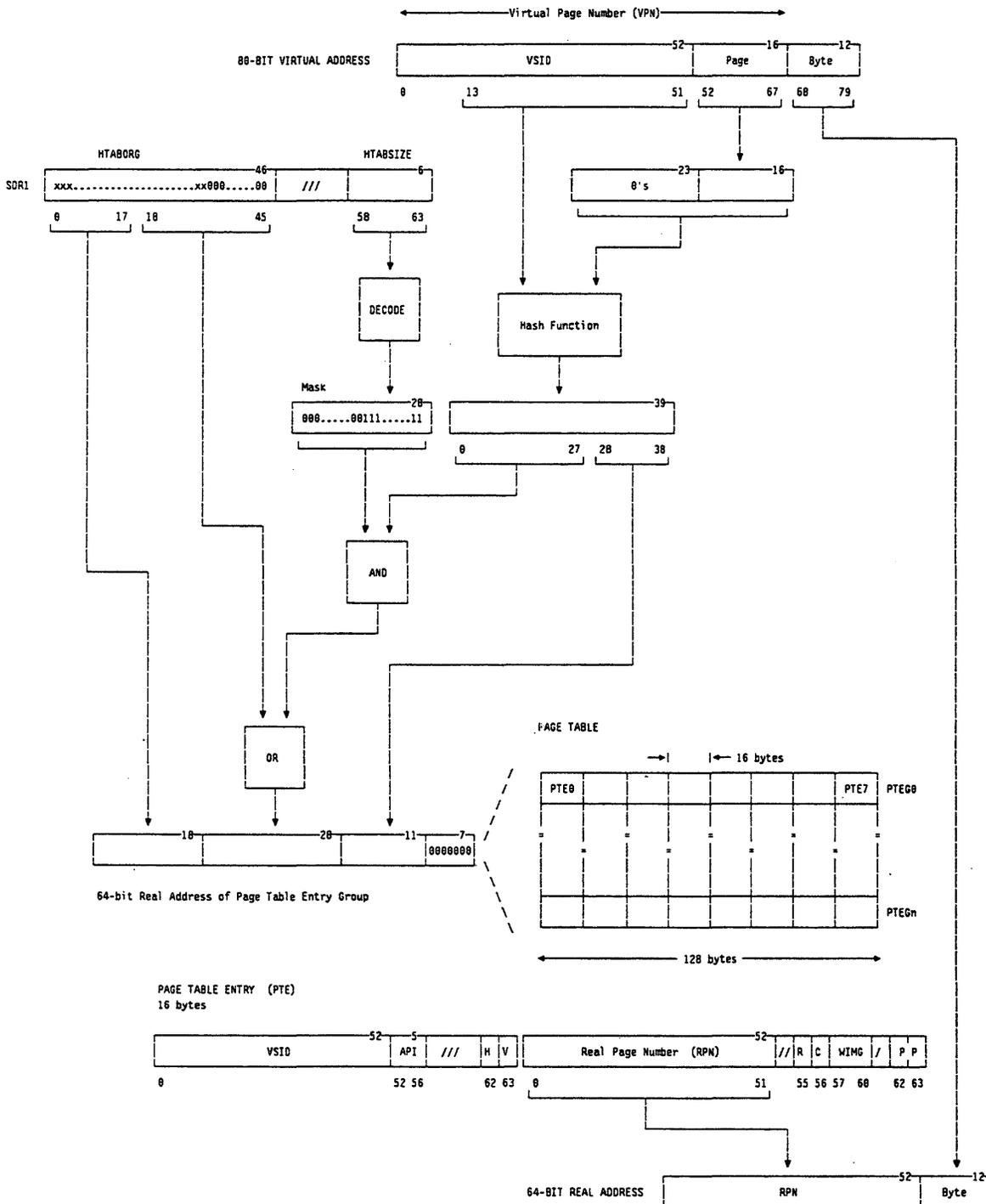


Figure 54. Translation of 80-bit Virtual Address to 64-bit Real Address

Generation of the 80-bit Virtual Address that is input to this stage of the translation process is described in

12.4.1, "Virtual Address Generation, 64-bit Implementations" on page 161.

12.4.2.1 Page Table

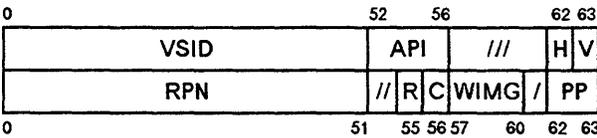
The Hashed Page Table (HTAB) is a variable-sized data structure that defines the mapping between Virtual Page Numbers and Real Page Numbers. The HTAB's size must be a power of 2, and its starting address must be a multiple of its size.

The layout of the HTAB is similar to that of the Segment Table, except that the HTAB's size is variable while the STAB's size is exactly one page. The HTAB contains a number of Page Table Entry Groups, or PTEGs. A PTEG contains 8 Page Table Entries (PTEs) of 16 bytes each; each PTEG is thus 128 bytes long. PTEGs are entry points for searches of the Page Table.

See section 12.12, "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" on page 186 for the rules that software must follow when updating the Page Table.

Page Table Entry

Each Page Table Entry (PTE) maps one VPN to one RPN. Additional information in the PTE controls the HTAB search process and provides input to the storage protection mechanism. Figure 55 shows the layout of a PTE.



| Dword | Bit | Name | Description |
|-------|-------|------|------------------------------------|
| 0 | 0:51 | VSID | Virtual Segment ID |
| | 52:56 | API | Abbreviated Page Index |
| | 62 | H | Hash function identifier |
| | 63 | V | Entry valid (V=1) or invalid (V=0) |
| 1 | 0:51 | RPN | Real Page Number |
| | 55 | R | Reference bit |
| | 56 | C | Change bit |
| | 57:60 | WIMG | Storage access controls |
| | 62:63 | PP | Page protection bits |

All other fields are reserved.

Figure 55. Page Table Entry, 64-bit implementations

The PTE contains an Abbreviated Page Index rather than the complete Page field. At least 11 of the low-order bits of the VPN are used in the hash function to select a PTEG. These bits are not repeated in the PTEs of that PTEG.

Page Table Size

The number of entries in the Page Table directly affects performance because it influences the hit ratio

in the Page Table and thus the rate of page fault interrupts. If the table is too small, it is possible that not all the virtual pages that actually have real page frames assigned can be mapped via the Page Table. This can happen if too many hash collisions occur and there are more than 16 entries for the same primary/secondary pair of PTEGs. While this situation cannot be guaranteed not to occur for any size Page Table, making the Page Table larger than the minimum size will reduce the frequency of occurrence of such collisions.

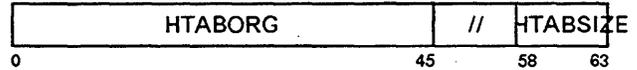
Programming Note

It is recommended that the number of PTEGs in the Page Table be at least one-half the number of real pages to be accessed.

As an example, if the amount of real memory to be accessed is 2^{31} bytes (2 GB), then we have $2^{31-12} = 2^{19}$ real pages. The minimum recommended Page Table size would be 2^{18} PTEGs, or 2^{25} bytes (32 MB).

12.4.2.2 Storage Description Register 1

The SDR1 register is shown in Figure 56.



| Bits | Name | Description |
|-------|----------|----------------------------|
| 0:45 | HTABORG | Real address of page table |
| 58:63 | HTABSIZE | Encoded size of table |

All other fields are reserved.

Figure 56. SDR1, 64-bit implementations

The HTABORG field in SDR1 contains the high-order 46 bits of the 64-bit real address of the page table. The Page Table is thus constrained to lie on a 2^{18} byte (256 KB) boundary at a minimum. At least 11 bits from the hash function (Figure 54 on page 164) are used to index into the Page Table. The minimum size Page Table is 256 KB (2^{11} PTEGs of 128 bytes each).

The Page Table can be any size 2^n where $18 \leq n \leq 46$. As the table size is increased, more bits are used from the hash to index into the table and the value in HTABORG must have more of its low-order bits equal to 0. The HTABSIZE field in SDR1 contains an integer giving the number of bits from the hash that are used in the Page Table index. HTABSIZE is used to generate a mask of the form 0b00...011...1, that is, a string of 0 bits followed by a string of 1 bits. The 1 bits determine which additional bits (beyond the minimum of 11) from the hash are used in the index; HTABORG must have this same number of low-order bits equal to 0. See Figure 54 on page 164.

Example

Suppose that the Page Table is 16,384 (2^{14}) 128-byte PTEGs, for a total size of 2^{21} bytes (2 MB). A 14-bit index is required. Eleven bits are provided from the hash to start with, so 3 additional bits from the hash must be selected. Thus the value in HTABSIZE must be 3 and the value in HTABORG must have its low-order 3 bits (bits 31:33 of SDR1) equal to 0. This means that the Page Table must begin on a $2^{3+11+7} = 2^{21} = 2$ MB boundary.

12.4.2.3 Hashed Page Table Search

An outline of the HTAB search process is shown in Figure 54 on page 164. The detailed algorithm is as follows:

1. **Primary Hash:** A 39-bit hash value is computed by Exclusive-ORing the low-order 39 bits of the VSID with a 39-bit value formed by concatenating 23 bits of 0 with the Page index.
2. The 64-bit real address of a PTEG is formed by concatenating the following values:
 - Bits 0:17 of SDR1 (the 18 high-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 0:27 of the value formed in step 1 ANDed with the mask generated from bits 58:63 of SDR1 (HTABSIZE) and then ORed with bits 18:45 of SDR1 (the 28 low-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 28:38 of the value formed in step 1.
 - A 7-bit field of 0s.

This operation is referred to as the “Primary HTAB Hash.” This identifies a particular PTEG, each of whose 8 PTEs will be tested in turn.

3. The first PTE in the selected PTEG is tested for a match with VPN. In order for a match to exist, the following must be true:
 - $PTE_H = 0$
 - $PTE_V = 1$
 - $PTE_{VSID} = VA_{0:51}$
 - $PTE_{API} = VA_{52:56}$

If a match is found, the PTE search terminates successfully.

4. Step 3 is repeated for each of the other 7 PTEs in the PTEG. The first matching PTE terminates the search. If none of the 8 PTEs match, the secondary hash must be tried.
5. **Secondary Hash:** A 39-bit hash value is computed by taking the ones complement of the Exclusive OR of the low-order 39 bits of the VSID

with a 39-bit value formed by concatenating 23 bits of 0 with the Page index.

6. The 64-bit real address of a PTEG is formed by concatenating the following values:
 - Bits 0:17 of SDR1 (the 18 high-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 0:27 of the value formed in step 5 ANDed with the mask generated from bits 58:63 of SDR1 (HTABSIZE) and then ORed with bits 18:45 of SDR1 (the 28 low-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 28:38 of the value formed in step 5.
 - A 7-bit field of 0s.

This operation is referred to as the “Secondary HTAB Hash.”

7. The first PTE in the selected PTEG is tested for a match with VPN. In order for a match to exist, the following must be true:
 - $PTE_H = 1$
 - $PTE_V = 1$
 - $PTE_{VSID} = VA_{0:51}$
 - $PTE_{API} = VA_{52:56}$

If a match is found, the PTE search terminates successfully.

8. Step 7 is repeated for each of the other 7 PTEs in the PTEG. The first matching PTE terminates the search. If none of the 8 PTEs match, the search fails.

If the Page Table search succeeds, the content of the PTE that translates the EA is returned. The Real Address (RA) is formed by concatenating the RPN from the matching PTE with bits 52:63 of the Effective Address (the byte offset).

If the search fails, a *page fault* interrupt is taken. This will be an Instruction Storage interrupt or a Data Storage interrupt, depending on whether the Effective Address is for an instruction fetch or for data access.

Translation Lookaside Buffer

Conceptually, the Page Table is searched by the address relocation hardware to translate every reference. For performance reasons the hardware usually keeps a Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB) that holds PTEs that have recently been used. The TLB is searched prior to searching the Page Table. As a consequence, when software makes changes to the Page Table it must perform the appropriate TLB invalidate operations to maintain the consistency of the TLB with the Page Table.

Programming Notes

1. Page table entries may or may not be cached in a TLB.
2. Table lookups are done using real addresses and storage access mode $M=1$ (Memory Coherence).
3. If software plans to access the HTAB with data relocate on, $MSR_{DR}=1$, it must avoid cache synonyms by mapping these tables such that the real and virtual address bits used for cache set selection are the same, just as is required for other virtual accesses. See address alignment requirements described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.
4. It is possible that the hardware implements two TLB arrays (one for data and one for instruction). In this case the size, shape and values contained by the arrays may be different.
5. Use the *tlbie* or *tlbia* instruction to ensure that the TLB no longer contains a mapping for a particular page.
6. Refer to Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for the procedure to be used to invalidate the entire TLB.

12.5 Segmented Address Translation, 32-bit Implementations

Figure 57 shows the steps involved in translating from an effective address to a real address on a 32-bit implementation.

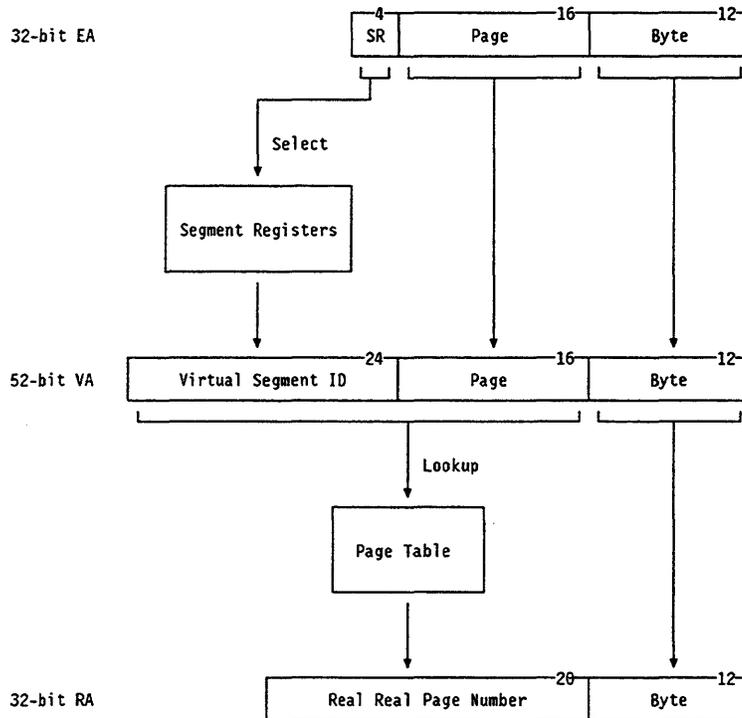


Figure 57. Address Translation Overview (32-bit implementations)

If an access is translated by the Block Address Translation mechanism (BAT, see Section 12.7 on page 174), the BAT translation takes precedence and the results of segmented address translation are not used. If an access is not translated by a BAT, segmented address translation proceeds as follows.

The Effective Address (EA) is a 32-bit quantity computed by the processor. Bits 0:3 of the EA are the Segment Register number. These are used to select a Segment Register, from which is extracted a Virtual Segment ID (VSID). Bits 4:19 of the EA are the Page Number within the segment; these are concatenated with the VSID from the Segment Register to form the Virtual Page Number (VPN). The VPN is looked up in the Page Table to produce a Real Page Number (RPN). Bits 20:31 of the EA are the Byte Offset within the page; these are concatenated with the RPN to form the Real Address (RA) that is used to access storage.

If the selected Segment Register identifies the segment as a direct-store segment, the Page Table is not referred to. Rather, translation continues as described in 12.6, "Direct-Store Segments" on page 173.

For ordinary storage segments the translation moves in two steps from Effective Address to Virtual Address (which never exists as a specific entity but can be considered to be the concatenation of the VPN and Byte Offset), and from Virtual Address to Real Address.

The first step in segmented address translation is to convert the effective address into a virtual address, described in section 12.5.1 on page 169. The second step, conversion of the virtual address into a real address, is described in section 12.5.2 on page 170.

12.5.1 Virtual Address Generation, 32-bit Implementations

Conversion of a 32-bit Effective Address to a Virtual Address is done by using the 4 high-order bits of the EA to select a Segment Register.

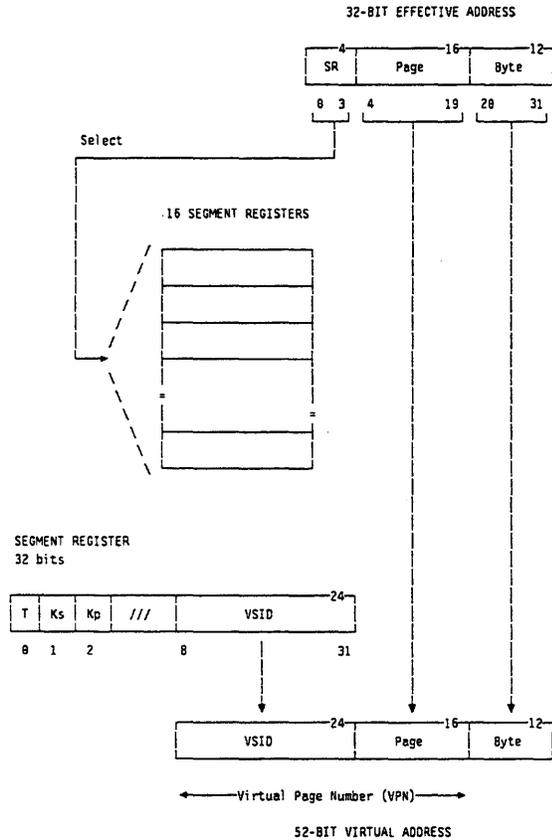
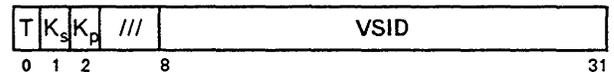


Figure 58. Translation of 32-bit Effective Address to Virtual Address

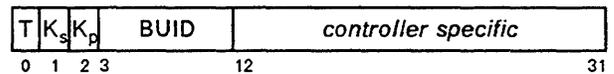
12.5.1.1 Segment Registers

The 16 32-bit registers are present only in 32-bit implementations of PowerPC. Figure 59 shows the layout of a Segment Register. The fields in the Segment Register are interpreted differently depending on the value of bit 0 (the T bit).



| Bit | Name | Description |
|------|----------------|------------------------------|
| 0 | T | T=0 selects this format |
| 1 | K _s | Supervisor state storage key |
| 2 | K _p | Problem state storage key |
| 8:31 | VSID | Virtual Segment ID |

All other fields are reserved



| Bit | Name | Description |
|-------|----------------|--|
| 0 | T | T=1 selects this format |
| 1 | K _s | Supervisor state storage key |
| 2 | K _p | Problem state storage key |
| 3:11 | BUID | Bus Unit ID |
| 12:31 | | Device dependent data for I/O controller |

Figure 59. Segment Register format

If an access is translated by the Block Address Translation mechanism (BAT, see Section 12.7 on page 174), the BAT translation takes precedence and the results of translation using Segment Registers are not used. If an access is not translated by a BAT, and T=0 in the selected Segment Register, the Effective Address is a reference to an ordinary storage segment. The 52-bit Virtual Address (VA) is formed by concatenating

- the 24-bit VSID field from the Segment Register.
- the 16-bit page index, EA_{4:19}, and
- the 12-bit byte offset, EA_{20:31}.

The VA is then translated to a Real Address as described in the next section.

If T=1 in the selected Segment Register (and the access is not translated by a BAT), the Effective Address is a reference to a direct-store segment. No reference is made to the page table; processing continues as in 12.6, "Direct-Store Segments" on page 173.

12.5.2 Virtual to Real Translation, 32-bit Implementations

Conversion of a 52-bit Virtual Address to a Real Address is done by searching a hashed page table located by SDR1.

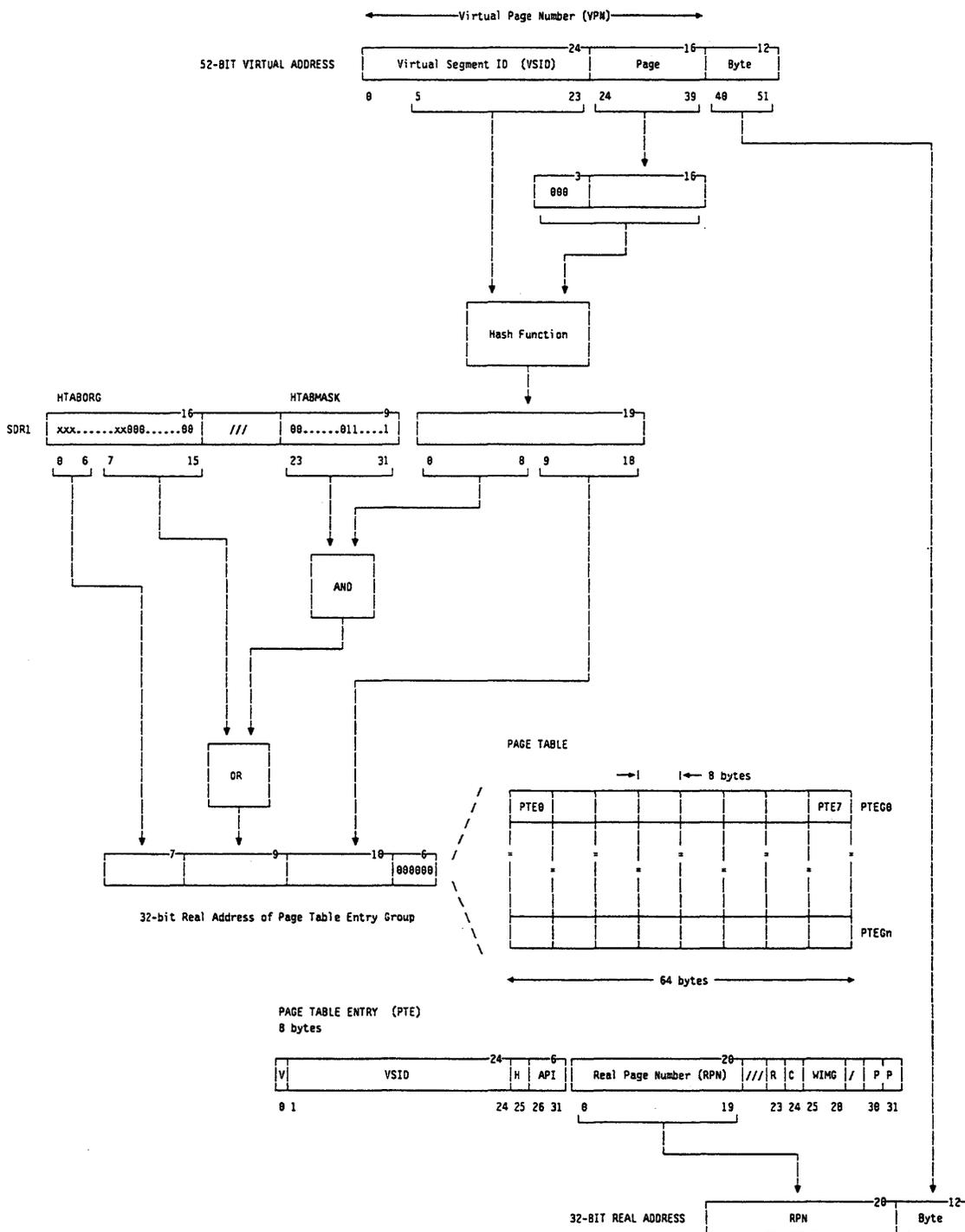


Figure 60. Translation of 52-bit Virtual Address to 32-bit Real Address

Generation of the 52-bit Virtual Address that is input to this stage of the translation process is described in

12.5.1, "Virtual Address Generation, 32-bit Implementations" on page 169.

12.5.2.1 Page Table

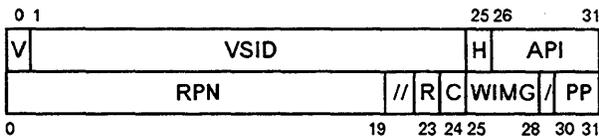
The Hashed Page Table (HTAB) is a variable-sized data structure that defines the mapping between Virtual Page Numbers and Real Page Numbers. The HTAB's size must be a power of 2, and its starting address must be a multiple of its size.

The HTAB contains a number of Page Table Entry Groups, or PTEGs. A PTEG contains 8 Page Table Entries (PTEs) of 8 bytes each; each PTEG is thus 64 bytes long. PTEGs are entry points for searches of the Page Table.

See section 12.12, "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" on page 186 for the rules that software must follow when updating the Page Table.

Page Table Entry

Each Page Table Entry (PTE) maps one VPN to one RPN. Additional information in the PTE controls the HTAB search process and provides input to the storage protection mechanism. Figure 61 shows the layout of a PTE.



| Word | Bit | Name | Description |
|------|-------|------|------------------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | V | Entry valid (V=1) or invalid (V=0) |
| | 1:24 | VSID | Virtual Segment ID |
| | 25 | H | Hash function identifier |
| | 26:31 | API | Abbreviated Page Index |
| 1 | 0:19 | RPN | Real Page Number |
| | 23 | R | Reference bit |
| | 24 | C | Change bit |
| | 25:28 | WIMG | Storage access controls |
| | 30:31 | PP | Page protection bits |

All other fields are reserved.

Figure 61. Page Table Entry, 32-bit implementations

The PTE contains an Abbreviated Page Index rather than the complete Page field. At least 10 of the low-order bits of the Page are used in the hash function to select a PTEG. These bits are not repeated in the PTEs of that PTEG.

Page Table Size

The number of entries in the Page Table directly affects performance because it influences the hit ratio in the Page Table and thus the rate of page fault interrupts. If the table is too small, it is possible that not all the virtual pages that actually have real page

frames assigned can be mapped via the Page Table. This can happen if too many hash collisions occur and there are more than 16 entries for the same primary/secondary pair of PTEGs. While this situation cannot be guaranteed not to occur for any size Page Table, making the Page Table larger than the minimum size will reduce the frequency of occurrence of such collisions.

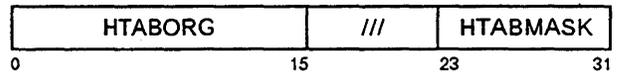
Programming Note

It is recommended that the number of PTEGs in the Page Table be at least one-half the number of real pages to be accessed.

As an example, if the amount of real memory to be accessed is 2^{29} bytes (512 MB), then we have $2^{29-12} = 2^{17}$ real pages. The minimum recommended Page Table size would be 2^{16} PTEGs, or 2^{22} bytes (4 MB).

12.5.2.2 Storage Description Register 1

The SDR1 register is shown in Figure 62.



| Bits | Name | Description |
|-------|----------|-----------------------------|
| 0:15 | HTABORG | Real address of page table |
| 23:31 | HTABMASK | Mask for page table address |

All other fields are reserved.

Figure 62. SDR1, 32-bit implementations

The HTABORG field in SDR1 contains the high-order 16 bits of the 32-bit real address of the page table. The Page Table is thus constrained to lie on a 2^{16} byte (64 KB) boundary at a minimum. At least 10 bits from the hash function (Figure 60 on page 170) are used to index into the Page Table. The minimum size Page Table is 64 KB (2^{10} PTEGs of 64 bytes each).

The Page Table can be any size 2^n where $16 \leq n \leq 25$. As the table size is increased, more bits are used from the hash to index into the table and the value in HTABORG must have more of its low-order bits equal to 0. The HTABMASK field in SDR1 contains a mask value that determines how many bits from the hash are used in the Page Table index. This mask must be of the form 0b00...011...1, that is, a string of 0 bits followed by a string of 1 bits. The 1 bits determine how many additional bits (beyond the minimum of 10) from the hash are used in the index; HTABORG must have this same number of low-order bits equal to 0. See Figure 60 on page 170.

Example

Suppose that the Page Table is 8,192 (2^{13}) 64-byte PTEGs, for a total size of 2^{19} bytes (512 KB). A 13-bit

index is required. Ten bits are provided from the hash to start with, so 3 additional bits from the hash must be selected. Thus the value in HTABMASK must be 0x007 and the value in HTABORG must have its low-order 3 bits (bits 13:15 of SDR1) equal to 0. This means that the Page Table must begin on a $2^3 + 10 + 6 = 2^{19} = 512$ KB boundary.

12.5.2.3 Hashed Page Table Search

An outline of the HTAB search process is shown in Figure 60 on page 170. The detailed algorithm is as follows:

1. A 19-bit hash value is computed by Exclusive-ORing the low-order 19 bits of the VSID with a 19-bit value formed by concatenating 3 bits of 0 with the Page index.
2. **Primary Hash:** The 32-bit real address of a PTEG is formed by concatenating the following values:
 - Bits 0:6 of SDR1 (the 7 high-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 0:8 of the value formed in step 1 ANDed with bits 23:31 of SDR1 (the value of HTABMASK) and then ORed with bits 7:15 of SDR1 (the 9 low-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 9:18 of the value formed in step 1.
 - A 6-bit field of 0s.

This operation is referred to as the “Primary HTAB Hash.” This identifies a particular PTEG, each of whose 8 PTEs will be tested in turn.

3. The first PTE in the selected PTEG is tested for a match with VPN. In order for a match to exist, the following must be true:
 - $PTE_H = 0$
 - $PTE_V = 1$
 - $PTE_{VSID} = VA_{0:23}$
 - $PTE_{API} = VA_{24:29}$

If a match is found, the PTE search terminates successfully.

4. Step 3 is repeated for each of the other 7 PTEs in the PTEG. The first matching PTE terminates the search. If none of the 8 PTEs match, the secondary hash must be tried.
5. A 19-bit hash value is computed by taking the ones complement of the Exclusive OR of the low-order 19 bits of the VSID with a 19-bit value formed by concatenating 3 bits of 0 with the Page index.

6. **Secondary Hash:** The 32-bit real address of a PTEG is formed by concatenating the following values:
 - Bits 0:6 of SDR1 (the 7 high-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 0:8 of the value formed in step 5 ANDed with bits 23:31 of SDR1 (the value of HTABMASK) and then ORed with bits 7:15 of SDR1 (the 9 low-order bits of HTABORG).
 - Bits 9:18 of the value formed in step 5.
 - A 6-bit field of 0s.

This operation is referred to as the “Secondary HTAB Hash.”

7. The first PTE in the selected PTEG is tested for a match with VPN. In order for a match to exist, the following must be true:
 - $PTE_H = 1$
 - $PTE_V = 1$
 - $PTE_{VSID} = VA_{0:23}$
 - $PTE_{API} = VA_{24:29}$

If a match is found, the PTE search terminates successfully.

8. Step 7 is repeated for each of the other 7 PTEs in the PTEG. The first matching PTE terminates the search. If none of the 8 PTEs match, the search fails.

If the Page Table search succeeds, the content of the PTE that translates the EA is returned. The Real Address (RA) is formed by concatenating the RPN from the matching PTE with bits 20:31 of the Effective Address (the byte offset).

If the search fails, a *page fault* interrupt is taken. This will be an Instruction Storage interrupt or a Data Storage interrupt, depending on whether the Effective Address is for an instruction fetch or for data access.

Translation Lookaside Buffer

Conceptually, the Page Table is searched by the address relocation hardware to translate every reference. For performance reasons the hardware usually keeps a Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB) that holds PTEs that have recently been used. The TLB is searched prior to searching the Page Table. As a consequence, when software makes changes to the Page Table it must perform the appropriate TLB invalidate operations to maintain the consistency of the TLB with the Page Table.

Programming Notes

1. Page table entries may or may not be cached in a TLB.
2. Table lookups are done using real addresses and storage access mode $M=1$ (Memory Coherence).
3. If software plans to access the HTAB with data relocate on, $MSR_{DR}=1$, it must avoid cache synonyms by mapping these tables such that the real and virtual address bits used for cache set selection are the same, just as is required for other virtual accesses. See address alignment requirements described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.
4. It is possible that the hardware implements two TLB arrays (one for data and one for instruction). In this case the size, shape and values contained by the arrays may be different.
5. Use the *tlbie* or *tlbia* instruction to ensure that the TLB no longer contains a mapping for a particular page.
6. Refer to Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for the procedure to be used to invalidate the entire TLB.

12.6 Direct-Store Segments

A *direct-store* segment is a mapping of effective addresses onto an external address space, typically an I/O bus.

Effective addresses that lie within direct-store segments complete only the first step of the ordinary segmented address translation.

- In *64-bit implementations*, this is the search of the Segment Table. If the resulting Segment Table Entry has $T=1$, the reference is to a direct-store segment.
- In *32-bit implementations*, this is the selection of the Segment Register. If the SR has $T=1$, the reference is to a direct-store segment.

Direct-store data accesses are executed as though the storage access mode bits "WIMG" were $x101$ (see Section 12.8). This mode requires bypassing the cache, does not require the hardware to enforce data coherence with storage, I/O, and other processors (caches), and treats the segment as Guarded storage.

12.6.1 Completion of direct-store access

If an access is translated by the Block Address Translation mechanism (BAT, Section 12.7), the BAT translation takes precedence and the results of segmented address translation are not used. If an access is not translated by a BAT, and the segmented address translation process has discovered that the segment has $T=1$, translation terminates. No reference is made to the Page Table; Reference and Change bits are not updated. The following data is sent to the storage controller:

For 64-bit implementations:

- A one bit field representing the privilege of the storage access, computed as follows:
$$\text{Key} \leftarrow (K_p \ \& \ MSR_{PR}) \mid (K_s \ \& \ \neg MSR_{PR})$$
- The 32-bit IO field from bits 32:63 of the second doubleword of the STE
- The low-order 28 bits of the Effective Address, $EA_{36:63}$

For 32-bit implementations:

- A one bit field representing the privilege of the storage access, computed as follows:
$$\text{Key} \leftarrow (K_p \ \& \ MSR_{PR}) \mid (K_s \ \& \ \neg MSR_{PR})$$
- The contents of bits 3:31 of the Segment Register, which is the BUID field concatenated with the "controller specific" field.
- The low-order 28 bits of the Effective Address, $EA_{4:31}$

An implementation of PowerPC Architecture may cause multiple address/data transfers for a single instruction. The address for each transfer will be handled in the same manner that addresses for access to main store are handled.

12.6.2 Direct-store segment protection

Page-level protection as described in 12.10.1, "Page Protection" on page 179 is not provided by the PowerPC processor for direct-store segments. The appropriate key bit (K_s or K_p) from the STE or SR is sent to the storage controller, but it is up to the storage controller to implement any protection mechanism. Frequently no such mechanism will be provided; the fact that a direct-store segment is mapped into the address space of a process may be regarded as sufficient authority to access the segment.

12.6.3 Instructions not supported for T=1

The following instructions are not supported when issued with an Effective Address in a segment where T=1:

- *lwarx*
- *ldarx*
- *eciwx*
- *stwcx.*
- *stdcx.*
- *ecowx*

If one of these instructions is executed with an effective address in a segment with T=1, a Data Storage interrupt may occur or the results may be boundedly undefined.

12.6.4 Instructions with no effect for T=1

The following instructions are treated as no-ops when issued with an Effective Address in a segment where T=1:

- *dcbt*
- *dcbtst*
- *dcbf*
- *dcbi*
- *dcbst*
- *dcbz*
- *icbi*

For further details of storage references to direct-store segments, refer to Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

12.7 Block Address Translation

The *Block Address Translation* (BAT) mechanism provides a means for mapping ranges of virtual addresses larger than a single page onto contiguous areas of real storage. Such areas can be used for data that is not subject to normal virtual storage handling (paging), such as a memory-mapped display buffer or an extremely large array of numerical data.

12.7.1 Recognition of Addresses in BAT Areas

Block Address Translation is enabled only when address translation is enabled ($MSR_{IR}=1$ or $MSR_{DR}=1$ or both).

A set of Special Purpose Registers (SPRs) called BAT registers define the starting addresses and sizes of BAT areas. The BAT registers are accessed in parallel with segmented address translation to determine whether a particular EA corresponds to a BAT area. If an EA is within a BAT area, the real address for storage access is determined as described below.

It is possible to set up the BAT registers and the segmented address translation mechanism such that a particular Effective Address is within a BAT area and also is covered by page translation. When this happens, the BAT takes precedence over entries in the Segment Table or the content of a Segment Register (including the T bit).

Programming Note

It is possible for a BAT area to overlay part of an ordinary segment, such that the BAT portion is non-pagable while the rest of the segment is pageable. If this is done, it is not necessary to supply Page Table entries for the portion of the segment overlaid by the BAT.

The BAT areas are defined by pairs of SPRs. These SPRs can be read or written by the *mfspr* and *mtspr* instructions; see page 79. Access to these SPRs is privileged. The layout of the BAT registers is shown in figure 63 for 64-bit implementations and in figure 64 for 32-bit implementations.

Four pairs of BAT registers are provided for translating instruction addresses (the IBAT registers), and four pairs are provided for translating data addresses (the DBAT registers).

Programming Note

If the same storage address is to be mapped via BAT for both I-fetch and data load and store, it is necessary to load the mapping into both an IBAT pair and a DBAT pair. This is true even on an implementation that does not have split I and D caches.

It is an error for system software to set up the BAT registers such that an Effective Address is translated by more than one IBAT pair or by more than one DBAT pair. If this occurs, the results are undefined and may include a violation of the storage protection mechanism, a Machine Check interrupt, or a Checkstop.

Each pair of BAT registers defines the starting address of a BAT area in Effective Address space, the length of the area, and the start of the corresponding area in Real Address space. If an Effective Address is within the range of EAs defined by a pair of BAT registers that is valid (see below) for the access, its Real Address is developed by (conceptually) subtracting the starting effective address of the BAT area from the EA and adding the starting real address of the BAT area.

BAT areas are restricted to a finite set of allowable lengths, all of which are powers of 2. The smallest BAT area defined is 128 KB (2^{17} bytes). The largest

BAT area defined is 256 MB (2²⁸ bytes). The starting address of a BAT area in both EA space and RA space must be a multiple of the area's length.

12.7.2 BAT Registers

See section "Move To Special Purpose Register XFX-form" on page 79 for a list of the SPR numbers for the BAT registers. See Appendix C, "Assembler Extended Mnemonics" on page 221 for a list of extended mnemonics for use with the BAT registers. The equation for determining whether a BAT entry is valid for a particular access is:

$$\text{BAT_entry_valid} = (V_s \& \sim\text{MSR}_{\text{PR}}) \mid (V_p \& \text{MSR}_{\text{PR}})$$

If a BAT entry is not valid for a given access, it does not participate in address translation for that access.

Two BAT entries may not map an overlapping effective address range and be valid at the same time.

Programming Note

Entries that have complementary settings of V_s and V_p may map overlapping effective address blocks. Complementary settings would be:

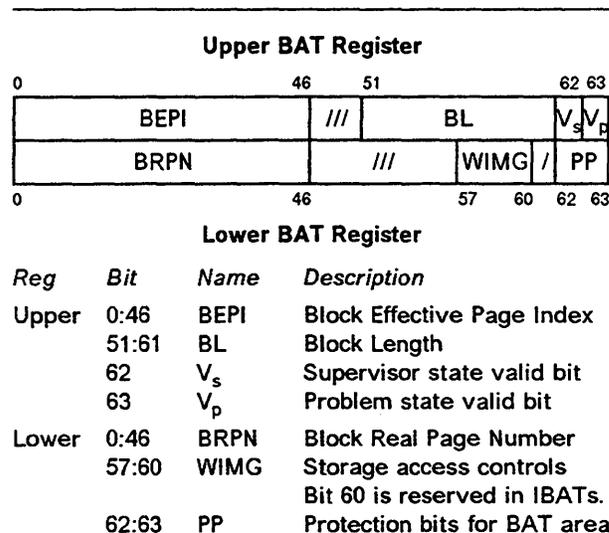
$$\begin{aligned} \text{BAT entry A: } & V_s = 1, V_p = 0 \\ \text{BAT entry B: } & V_s = 0, V_p = 1 \end{aligned}$$

The BL field in the upper BAT register is a mask that encodes the length of the BAT area.

| BAT Area Length | BL |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 128 KB | 000 0000 0000 |
| 256 KB | 000 0000 0001 |
| 512 KB | 000 0000 0011 |
| 1 MB | 000 0000 0111 |
| 2 MB | 000 0000 1111 |
| 4 MB | 000 0001 1111 |
| 8 MB | 000 0011 1111 |
| 16 MB | 000 0111 1111 |
| 32 MB | 000 1111 1111 |
| 64 MB | 001 1111 1111 |
| 128 MB | 011 1111 1111 |
| 256 MB | 111 1111 1111 |

Only the values shown are valid for BL. The rightmost bit of BL is aligned with bit 46 {14} of the EA.

An Effective Address is determined to be within a BAT area if EA matches BEPI. The boundary between the string of 0s and the string of 1s in BL determines the bits of EA that participate in the comparison with



All other fields are reserved.

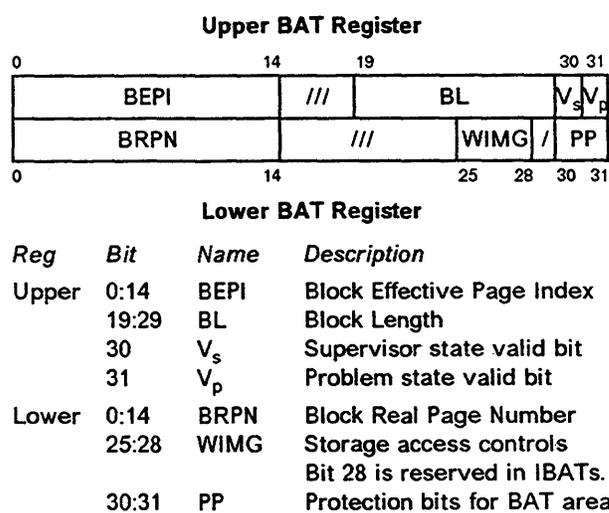
Figure 63. BAT Registers, 64-bit implementations

BEPI: bits in EA corresponding to 1s in BL are forced to 0 for this comparison.

Bits in EA corresponding to 1s in BL, concatenated with the 17 bits of EA to the right of BL, form the offset within the BAT area.

Programming Note

The value loaded into BL determines both the length of the BAT area and the alignment of the area in both EA space and RA space. It is a programming error if the value loaded into BL is not one of those given in the table above, or if the values loaded into BEPI and BRPN do not have at least as many low-order 0s as there are 1s in BL.



All other fields are reserved.

Figure 64. BAT Registers, 32-bit implementations

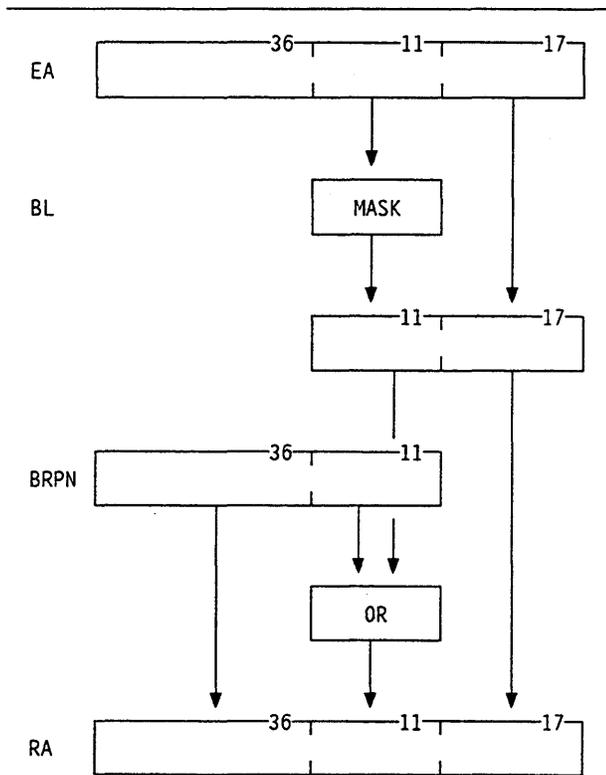


Figure 65. Formation of Real Address via BAT, 64-bit implementations

12.7.2.1 BAT Storage Protection

If an Effective Address is determined to be within a BAT area that is valid for the access, the access is next validated by the storage protection scheme described in section 12.10.2, "BAT Protection" on page 180. If this protection mechanism rejects the EA, a page fault (Data Storage interrupt or Instruction Storage interrupt) is generated.

12.7.2.2 BAT Real Address

If the protection mechanism accepts the access, then a Real Address is formed as shown in figure 65 for 64-bit implementations, and figure 66 for 32-bit implementations.

Access to the real memory of the BAT area is made according to the storage mode defined by the "WIMG" bits in the lower BAT register. These bits apply to the entire BAT area rather than to an individual page. See 12.8.2, "Supported Storage Modes" on page 177 for an explanation of these bits.

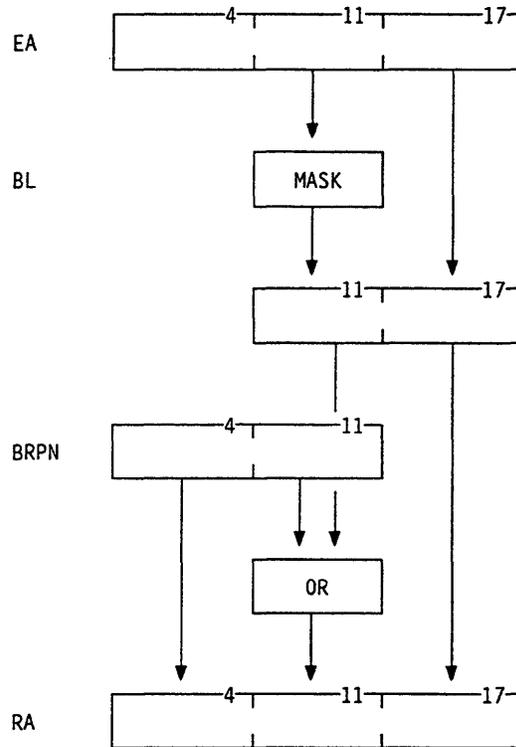


Figure 66. Formation of Real Address via BAT, 32-bit implementations.

12.8 Storage Access Modes

When address relocation is enabled and the effective address generated by a storage access is translated by the Segmented Address Translation mechanism or by the Block Address Translation mechanism, the access is performed under the control of the Page Table Entry or BAT entry used to translate the effective address. Each Page Table Entry or DBAT entry contains four mode control bits, *W*, *I*, *M*, and *G*, that specify the storage mode for all accesses translated by the entry. The IBAT entry contains the *W*, *I*, and *M* bits, but not the *G* bit. The *W* and *I* bits control how the processor executing the access uses its own cache. The *M* bit specifies whether the processor executing the access must use the storage coherence protocol to ensure that all copies of the addressed storage location are made consistent. The *G* bit controls whether or not speculative data and instruction fetching is permitted. For an access translated by an IBAT entry, *G* is assumed to be 0.

The mode control bits only have meaning when an effective address is translated in the processor performing a storage access. When an access is performed for which coherence is required, the processor performing the access must inform the coherence mechanism that the access requires memory coherence. Other processors affected by the access must respond to the coherence mechanism. However since these mode control bits are only relevant when an

effective address is translated and have no direct relation to data in the cache, processors responding to the coherence request are able to respond without knowledge of the state of these bits.

12.8.1 W, I, M and G bits

The *W*, *I*, *M*, and *G* bits in a Page Table Entry or DBAT entry, or the *W*, *I*, and *M* bits in an IBAT entry, control the way in which the processor accesses cache and main storage. Each bit controls a separate aspect of storage references.

W Write Through

If the data is in the cache, a store must update that copy of the data. In addition, if *W*=1 the update must be written to the home storage location (see below).

Store combining optimizations are allowed except when the store instructions are separated by *sync* or *eieio*. The architecture presumes that data present in the cache is valid and a store may cause any part of that data to be copied back to main storage.

The definition of the home storage location is dependent upon the implementation of the memory system but can be illustrated by the following examples:

- RAM Storage
The store must be sent to the RAM controller to be written into the target RAM.
- I/O Adapter Card
the store must be sent to the adapter card to be written to the target register or storage location.

In systems with multilevel caching, the store must be written to at least a depth in the memory hierarchy that is seen by all processors and devices.

I Caching Inhibited

If *I*=1, the storage access is completed by referencing the location in main storage, bypassing the cache. During the access, the accessed location is not brought into the cache nor is the location allocated in the cache. It is considered a programming error if a copy of the target location of an access to Caching Inhibited storage is in the cache. Software must ensure that the location has not previously been brought into the cache or, if it has, that it has been flushed from the cache. If the programming error occurs, the result of the access is boundedly undefined.

Load/store combining optimizations are allowed except when the accesses are separated by *sync*, or by *eieio* when the storage access is also Guarded.

M Memory Coherence

This mode control is provided to allow improved performance in systems in which accesses to storage kept consistent by hardware is slower than accesses to storage not kept consistent by hardware, and in which software is able to enforce the required consistency. When the mode is off (*M*=0), the hardware need not enforce data coherence. When the mode is on (*M*=1), the hardware must enforce data coherence. Because instruction storage need not be consistent with data storage, it is permissible for an implementation to ignore the *M* bit for instruction fetches.

G Guarded Storage

If *G*=1, accesses to storage must conform to the restrictions described in Section 12.2.5, "Speculative Execution" on page 157.

12.8.2 Supported Storage Modes

The combinations of the Write Through bit, the Caching Inhibited bit, and the Memory Coherence bit define eight different storage modes. Six of these modes are supported. For each, the *G* bit may be 0 or 1.

▪ WIM = 000

1. Data may be cached.
2. Loads or stores for which the target location is in the cache may use that copy of the location.
3. Exclusive ownership of the block containing the target location is not required for store accesses and consistency operations for the block may be ignored when fetching the block, storing it back, or changing its state from shared to exclusive.

▪ WIM = 001

1. Data may be cached.
2. Loads or stores for which the target location is in the cache may use that copy of the location.
3. Exclusive ownership of the block containing the target location is required before store accesses are allowed. When fetching the block, the processor must indicate that consistency is to be enforced on the bus transaction. If the state of the block is read shared, the processor must gain exclusive use of the block before storing into it.

▪ WIM = 010

Caching is inhibited. The storage access goes to storage bypassing the cache. Hardware enforced storage consistency is not required.

- **WIM = 011**

Caching is inhibited. The storage access goes to storage bypassing the cache. Storage consistency is enforced by hardware.

- **WIM = 100**

1. Data may be cached.
2. Loads for which the target location is in the cache may use that copy of the location.
3. Stores must be written to main storage. The target location of the store may be cached and must be updated if there.
4. Exclusive ownership of the block containing the target location is not required for store accesses and consistency operations for the block may be ignored when fetching the block, storing it back, or changing its state from shared to exclusive.

- **WIM = 101**

1. Data may be cached.
2. Loads for which the target location is in the cache may use that copy of the location.
3. Stores must be written to main storage. The target location of the store may be cached and must be updated if there.
4. Exclusive ownership of the block containing the target location is required before store accesses are allowed. When fetching the block, the processor must indicate that consistency is to be enforced on the bus transaction. If the state of the block is read shared, the processor must gain exclusive use of the block before storing into it.

- **WIM = 110**

This mode would represent memory that is Write Through, Caching Inhibited, and Memory Coherence Not Required. This mode is **not supported**.

- **WIM = 111**

This mode would represent memory that is Write Through, Caching Inhibited, and Memory Coherence Required. This mode is **not supported**.

12.8.3 Mismatched WIMG Bits

Accesses to the same storage location using two effective addresses for which the Write Through mode (W bit) differs must meet the Memory Coherence requirements described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.

12.9 Reference and Change Recording

If address translation is enabled ($MSR_{IR}=1$ or $MSR_{DR}=1$), Reference (R) and Change (C) bits are maintained in the Page Table Entry for each real page for accesses due to segment and page table address translation. Reference and change recording is not performed for translations due to BAT or for direct-store ($T=1$) segments.

The R and C bits are set automatically by hardware or by software assist in conjunction with normal Page Table processing as follows:

Reference bit

As a result of page table processing for a storage access (load, store, or cache instruction, or instruction fetch), the Reference bit may be set to 1 immediately or its setting may be delayed until the storage access is determined to be successful.

The Reference bit may be set for a speculatively executed access. The Reference bit may also be set for accesses that are not performed when the access is prohibited by page protection, or if the access is the result of a string operation of zero length, or if the access is a *Store Conditional* but no store is performed because a reservation does not exist.

Change Bit

Whenever a data store is executed successfully, as part of the TLB look-up procedure the Change bit in the TLB is checked. If it is already set to 1, no further action is taken. If the TLB Change bit is 0, it is set to 1 and the corresponding Change bit in the Page Table Entry is set to 1.

The PowerPC Architecture requires that the Change bit be set to 1 only if the store is allowed by storage protection and all branches prior to the store that will cause the Change bit to be set have been resolved and it has been determined that the store is on the path that is to be executed.

Furthermore, the Change bit may be set even when a store is not performed successfully in the following cases:

1. A *Store Conditional* (*stwcx.* or *stdcx.*) is executed and is allowed by the storage protection mechanism, but no store is performed because a reservation does not exist.
2. A *Store String Word Indexed* (*stswx*) is executed and is allowed by the storage protection mechanism, but no store is performed because the length is zero.

3. The store operation is not performed because the instruction stream is interrupted before the store is performed.

Execution of either of the *Data Cache Block Touch* instructions (*dcbt*, *dcbtst*) may result in setting the R bit for a page. Neither instruction may result in setting the C bit for a page.

See section 12.12, "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" on page 186 for the rules software must follow when updating the Reference and Change bits in the Page Table.

12.9.1 Synchronization of Reference and Change Bit Updates

If processor A executes a load or store that causes a Reference bit and/or Change bit update, the following conditions must be met with respect to setting of the bits and performing the access:

1. If processor A subsequently executes a *sync*, both the updates to the bits and the access must be performed with respect to all other processors and mechanisms before the *sync* completes on processor A.
2. If processor B subsequently executes a *tlbie* that invalidates the TLB entry in processor A that was used to translate the access, and processor B then executes a *tlbsync* that is broadcast, both the updates to the bits and the access must be performed with respect to all other processors and mechanisms before the *tlbsync* completes on processor A.

Updates to the Reference and Change bits may not be immediately visible to the program after executing a load or store that sets them indirectly.

Programming Note

If it is important that the program that loads from the PTE retrieve the correct R and C bits, a *sync* instruction must be executed between a load or store that indirectly sets an R or C bit, and the load of these bits from the PTE.

Programming Note

On systems with Translation Lookaside Buffers, the Reference and Change bits are only set on the basis of TLB activity. When software resets these bits to zero it must synchronize the TLB's actions by invalidating the TLB entries associated with the pages whose Reference and Change bits were reset.

12.10 Storage Protection

The storage protection mechanism provides a means for selectively granting read access, granting read/write access, and prohibiting access to areas of storage based on a number of control criteria.

Since the protection mechanism operates as part of the address translation mechanism, storage protection applies to translated accesses only. Instruction storage access protection is active only when $MSR_{IR}=1$. Data storage access protection is active only when $MSR_{DR}=1$.

A page (4 KB) crossing is relevant to performance and instruction restart when it corresponds to a protection boundary. Crossing a 4 KB boundary in an area mapped by Block Address Translation or in a direct-store segment should have no effect on performance and should not cause an instruction restart.

For ordinary translated accesses to memory via the Page Table, the Page Protection mechanism described in the next section is active. Different mechanisms are used for Block Address Translation (BAT) accesses (see section 12.10.2, "BAT Protection" on page 180) and for Direct-store segments (see section 12.6.2, "Direct-store segment protection" on page 173).

12.10.1 Page Protection

The page protection mechanism provides protection at the granularity of a page (4 KB). It is controlled by the following inputs:

- MSR_{PR} , which distinguishes between supervisor state and problem state.
- K_s and K_p , supervisor and problem key bits in the Segment Table Entry or Segment Register.
- PP bits in the Page Table Entry.

A reference made via the segmented address translation mechanism is associated with a Segment Table Entry (STE) and a Page Table Entry (PTE) by the address translation mechanism. The K bits, the PP bits, and the MSR_{PR} bit are used as follows:

A Key value is developed according to the following formula:

$$\text{Key} \leftarrow (K_p \ \& \ MSR_{PR}) \ | \ (K_s \ \& \ \neg MSR_{PR})$$

Using the generated Key, the following table is applied:

When a reference is not permitted because of the protection mechanism one of the following occurs.

- Data Storage interrupt is generated and bit 4 of the DSISR is set to 1.

| Key | PP | Page Type | Load Access Permitted | Store Access Permitted |
|-----|----|------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 0 | 00 | read/write | yes | yes |
| 0 | 01 | read/write | yes | yes |
| 0 | 10 | read/write | yes | yes |
| 0 | 11 | read only | yes | no |
| 1 | 00 | no access | no | no |
| 1 | 01 | read only | yes | no |
| 1 | 10 | read/write | yes | yes |
| 1 | 11 | read only | yes | no |

Key Key selected by state of MSR_{PR} bit

PP PTE page protect bits

Figure 67. Protection Key Processing

- Instruction Storage interrupt is generated and bit 36 {4} of SRR1 is set to 1.

Programming Note

A store that is not permitted because of the storage protection mechanism will not cause a Change bit to be set in a PTE; such an access *may* cause a Reference bit to be set in a PTE.

12.10.2 BAT Protection

The BAT protection mechanism operates on an entire BAT area, not on individual pages. If an Effective Address is determined to be within a BAT area that is valid for the access, the operations described above in section 12.10.1, "Page Protection" on page 179 are performed, with these exceptions:

- For BATs, no Key value is defined; Figure 67 is used with an assumed Key=1.
- The PP bits from the lower BAT register are used, not bits from a Page Table Entry.

12.11 Storage Control Instructions

12.11.1 Cache Management Instructions

This section contains the only privileged cache management instruction and additional specifications for the other cache management instructions described in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117. See that document for further details.

If the effective address references a direct-store segment, the instruction is treated as a no-op.

When data relocate is off, $MSR_{DR}=0$, the *Data Cache Block set to Zero* instruction establishes a block in the cache and may not verify that the real address is valid. If a block is created for an invalid real address, a Machine Check may result when an attempt is made to write that block back to storage. The block could be written back as the result of the execution of an instruction that causes a cache miss and the invalid address block is the target for replacement or as the result of a *Data Cache Block Store* instruction.

Data Cache Block Invalidate X-form

dcbi RA, RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | RA | RB | 470 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum $(RA|0) + (RB)$.

The action taken is dependent on the storage mode associated with the target, and the state of the block. The list below describes the action to take if the block containing the byte addressed by EA is or is not in the cache.

1. **Coherence Not Required**
 - Unmodified Block**
Invalidate the block in the local cache.
 - Modified Block**
Invalidate the block in the local cache. (Discard the modified contents.)
 - Absent Block**
No action is taken.
2. **Coherence Required**
 - Unmodified Block**
Invalidate copies of the block in the caches of all processors.
 - Modified Block**
Invalidate copies of the block in the caches of all processors. (Discard the modified contents.)
 - Absent Block**
If copies are in the caches of any other processor, cause the copies to be invalidated. (Discard any modified contents.)

When data address translation is enabled, $MSR_{DR}=1$, and the virtual address has no translation a Data Storage Interrupt occurs. See 13.5.3, "Data Storage Interrupt" on page 194.

The function of this instruction is independent of the Write Through and Caching Inhibited/Allowed modes of the block containing the byte addressed by EA.

This instruction is treated as a store to the addressed byte with respect to address translation and protection. The Reference bit for EA may be set, the Reference and Change bits may be set, or neither may be set.

This instruction is privileged.

Special Registers Altered:
None

12.11.2 Segment Register Manipulation Instructions

Move To Segment Register X-form

mtsr SR,RS

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | / | SR | /// | 210 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 12 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

SEGREG(SR) ← (RS)

The contents of register RS is placed into Segment Register SR.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is defined only for 32-bit implementations. Using it on a 64-bit implementation will cause an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Move From Segment Register X-form

mfsr RT,SR

| | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | / | SR | /// | 595 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 12 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

RT ← SEGREG(SR)

The contents of Segment Register SR is placed into register RT.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is defined only for 32-bit implementations. Using it on a 64-bit implementation will cause an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Programming Note

For a discussion of software synchronization requirements when altering Segment Registers, please refer to Appendix L, "Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers" on page 269.

Move To Segment Register Indirect X-form

mtsrin RS,RB

[Power mnemonic: mtsri]

| | | | | | |
|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | /// | RB | 242 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

SEGREG((RB)_{0:3}) ← (RS)

The contents of register RS are copied to the Segment Register selected by bits 0:3 of register RB.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is defined only for 32-bit implementations. Using it on a 64-bit implementation will cause an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Move From Segment Register Indirect X-form

mfsrin RT,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | /// | RB | 659 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

RT ← SEGREG((RB)_{0:3})

The contents of the Segment Register selected by bits 0:3 of register RB are copied into register RT.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is defined only for 32-bit implementations. Using it on a 64-bit implementation will cause an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Programming Note

The RA field is not defined for the *mtsrin* and *mfsrin* instructions in this architecture. However, *mtsrin* and *mfsrin* will perform the same function in PowerPC as do *mtsri* and *mfsri* in Power if RA is 0 in the Power instructions.

12.11.3 Lookaside Buffer Management Instructions (Optional)

While the PowerPC Architecture describes logically separate instruction fetch and fixed-point (including effective address computation) execution units, the programming model is that there is one translation mechanism and, for 32-bit implementations, one set of segment registers.

For performance reasons, most implementations will implement a Segment Lookaside Buffer (64-bit implementations) and a Translation Lookaside Buffer. These are caches of portions of the Segment Table and Page Table respectively. As changes are made to the address translation tables, it is necessary to force the SLB and TLB into line with the updated tables. This is done by invalidating SLB and TLB entries, or occasionally by invalidating the entire SLB or TLB, and allowing the translation caching mechanism to re-fetch from the tables.

Each PowerPC implementation which has an SLB must provide means for doing the following:

- Invalidating an individual SLB entry
- Invalidating the entire SLB

Each PowerPC implementation which has a TLB must provide means for doing the following:

- Invalidating an individual TLB entry
- Invalidating the entire TLB

An implementation may choose to provide one or more of the instructions listed in this section in order to satisfy requirements in the preceding list. If an

instruction is implemented that matches the semantics of an instruction described here, the implementation should be as specified here. Alternatively, an algorithm may be given that performs one of the functions listed above (a loop invalidating individual SLB entries may be used to invalidate the entire SLB, for example), or instructions with different semantics may be implemented. Such algorithms or instructions must be described in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

It is permissible for an instruction described here to be implemented so that more is done than absolutely required. For example, an instruction whose semantics are to purge an SLB entry may be implemented so as to purge an entire congruence class or perhaps even the entire SLB. Such additional actions should be described in Book IV.

If a 64-bit implementation does not implement an SLB, it does not provide the optional instructions that affect the SLB (*slbie* and *slbia*). In such an implementation, it is permissible to treat these SLB instructions as no-ops. Similarly, if the implementation does not implement a TLB, it does not provide the optional instructions that affect the TLB (*tlbie*, *tlbia*, and *tlbsync*). In such an implementation, it is permissible to treat these TLB instructions as no-ops.

Programming Note

Because the presence, absence, and exact semantics of the various Lookaside Buffer management instructions are model dependent, it is recommended that system software “encapsulate” uses of such instructions into sub-routines to minimize the impact of moving from one implementation to another.

SLB Invalidate Entry X-form

slbie RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | RB | 434 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

EA ← (RB)
if SLB entry exists for EA, then
SLB entry ← invalid

Let the effective address (EA) be the contents of register RB. If the Segment Lookaside Buffer (SLB) contains an entry corresponding to EA, that entry is made invalid (i.e., removed from the SLB).

The SLB search is done regardless of the settings of MSR_{IR} and MSR_{DR}.

Block Address Translation for EA, if any, is ignored.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is optional in PowerPC Architecture.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Programming Note

It is not necessary that the ASR point to a valid Segment Table when issuing *slbie*.

SLB Invalidate All X-form

slbia

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | /// | 498 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

All SLB entries ← invalid

The entire SLB is made invalid (i.e., all entries are removed).

The SLB is invalidated regardless of the settings of MSR_{IR} and MSR_{DR}.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is optional in PowerPC Architecture.

This instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations. Using it on a 32-bit implementation will cause an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Programming Note

It is not necessary that the ASR point to a valid Segment Table when issuing *slbia*.

TLB Invalidate Entry X-form

`tlbie` `RB`

[Power mnemonic: `tlbi`]

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | RB | 306 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

$VPI \leftarrow (RB)_{36:51} \{4:19\}$

Identify TLB entries corresponding to VPI
Each such TLB entry \leftarrow invalid

Let the effective address (EA) be the contents of register `RB`. If the Translation Lookaside Buffer (TLB) contains an entry corresponding to EA, that entry is made invalid (i.e., removed from the TLB).

The TLB search is done regardless of the settings of `MSRIR` and `MSRDR`. The search is done based on a portion of the Virtual Page Index, including the least significant bits, without reference to the SLB, segment table, or segment register. All entries matching the search criteria are invalidated.

Block Address Translation for EA, if any, is ignored.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is optional in PowerPC Architecture.

See Section 12.12, "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" on page 186 for a description of other requirements associated with the use of this instruction.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Programming Notes

Nothing is guaranteed about instruction fetching in other processors if `tlbie` deletes the TLB entry for the page in which some other processor is currently executing.

TLB Invalidate All X-form

`tlbia`

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | /// | 370 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

All TLB entries \leftarrow invalid

The entire TLB is invalidated (i.e., all entries are removed).

The TLB is invalidated regardless of the settings of `MSRIR` and `MSRDR`.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is optional in PowerPC Architecture.

Special Registers Altered:

None

Programming Notes

It is not necessary that the ASR point to a valid Segment Table or that SDR 1 point to a valid page table when issuing `tlbia`.

Nothing is guaranteed about instruction fetching in other processors if `tlbia` deletes the TLB entry for the page in which some other processor is currently executing.

TLB Synchronize X-form

`tlbsync`

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| 31 | /// | /// | /// | 566 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

The `tlbsync` instruction waits does not complete until all previous `tlbie` and `tlbia` instructions executed by the processor executing this instruction have been received and completed by all other processors.

This instruction is privileged.

This instruction is optional in PowerPC Architecture, but it must be implemented if any of the following are true:

- A TLB invalidation instruction that broadcasts is implemented.
- The `eciwx` or `ecowx` instructions are implemented.

See Section 12.12, "Table Update Synchronization Requirements" for a description of other requirements associated with the use of this instruction.

Special Registers Altered:

None

12.12 Table Update Synchronization Requirements

This section describes the steps that software must take when updating the tables involved in address translation. Updates to these tables include:

- Adding a new Page Table Entry (PTE).
- Modifying an existing PTE, including the special case of modifying the PTE's Reference bit.
- Deleting a PTE.
- Adding a new Segment Table Entry (STE).
- Modifying an existing STE.
- Deleting a STE.

In a multiprocessor system it is critical that these rules be followed to ensure that all processors see a consistent set of tables. Even in a uniprocessor system certain rules must be followed, notably those regarding Reference and Change bit updates, because software changes must be synchronized with automatic updates by the hardware.

A `sync` instruction ensures that all prior `tlbie` instructions executed by the processor executing the `sync` instruction have completed on that processor.

To ensure that a `tlbie` instruction executed by one processor has completed on all other processors, the sequence `tlbie` followed by `sync` is not sufficient. This sequence must be followed by a `tlbsync` instruction and then a `sync` instruction on the processor that executed the `tlbie` to ensure that

1. the prior `tlbie` instructions have completed on other processors, and
2. the `tlbsync` has completed on the processor executing this sequence.

When `tlbie` is executed on one processor, software must ensure that the following sequence of instructions is executed on that processor before a `tlbie` is executed on a second processor.

1. `sync`
2. `tlbsync`
3. `sync`

Other instructions may be interleaved with this sequence of instructions but these instructions must appear in the sequence in the order shown.

12.12.1 Page Table Updates

HTAB entries must be locked on multiprocessors. Access to HTAB entries must be appropriately synchronized by software locking of (i.e., guaranteeing exclusive access to) entries or groups of entries if more than one processor can modify the table at once.

On uniprocessors, HTAB entries need not be locked. To adapt the examples given below for the uniprocessor case, simply delete the “lock()” and “unlock()” lines. The *sync* instructions shown are still required even on uniprocessors.

TLBs are non-coherent caches of the HTAB. TLB entries must be flushed explicitly with one of the TLB invalidate instructions. The *sync* instruction waits until all prior TLB invalidates by this processor are complete. This may cost a *sync* per HTAB entry update.

Unsynchronized lookups in the HTAB continue even while it is being modified. Any processor, even including the processor modifying the HTAB, may look in the HTAB at any time in an attempt to reload a TLB entry. An inconsistent HTAB entry must never accidentally become visible, thus there must be synchronization between modifications to the valid bit and any other modifications. This costs as many as two *syncs* per HTAB entry update.

Processors write Reference and Change bits with unsynchronized atomic byte stores. This requires that the V, R, and C bits be in distinct bytes. It also requires extreme care to ensure that no store overwrites one of these bytes accidentally.

In the examples below,

- “lock()” and “unlock()” refer to software locks for exclusive access to the table entry in question,
- *sync* refers to the *sync* instruction,
- *tlbsync* refers to the *tlbsync* instruction, and
- *tlbie* refers to the *tlbie* instruction.

12.12.1.1 Adding a Page Table Entry

This is the simplest Page Table case. It requires no synchronization with the hardware, just a lock on the PTE in a multiprocessor system. We fill in the entries in the PTE except for the Valid bit, issue a *sync* to ensure that the updates have all made it to storage, and turn on the Valid bit.

```
lock(PTE)
PTEVSID,H,API ← new values
PTERPN,R,C,WIM,PP ← new values
sync
PTEV ← 1
unlock(PTE)
```

12.12.1.2 Modifying a Page Table Entry

General case

In this case a currently-valid PTE must be changed. To do this we must lock the PTE, mark it invalid, flush it from the TLB, update the information in the PTE, mark it valid again, and unlock, using *sync* at appropriate times to wait for modifications to complete.

```
lock(PTE)
PTEV ← 0
sync
tlbie(PTE)
sync
tlbsync
sync
PTEVSID,H,API ← new values
PTERPN,R,C,WIM,PP ← new values
sync
PTEV ← 1
unlock(PTE)
```

Resetting the Reference bit

In the case where the PTE is modified only to set the Reference bit to 0, a much simpler algorithm suffices because the Reference bit need not be maintained exactly.

```
lock(PTE)
oldR ← PTER
if oldR = 1 then
    PTER ← 0
    tlbie(PTE)
unlock(PTE)
```

Since only the R and C bits are modified by hardware, and since R and C are in different bytes, the R bit can be set to 0 by reading the current contents of the byte in the PTE containing R (bits 48:55 of the second doubleword on 64-bit implementations, bits 16:23 of the second word on 32-bit implementations), ANDing the value with 0xFE, and storing the byte back into the PTE.

Modifying the virtual address

If the virtual address is being changed to a different address within the same TLB hash class and cache hash class, it suffices to:

```
lock(PTE)
val ← PTEVSID,API,H,V
insert new VSID into val
PTEVSID,API,H,V ← val
sync
tlbie(PTE)
sync
tlbsync
sync
unlock(PTE)
```

Here we take advantage of the fact that the store into the first doubleword of the PTE (word, on 32-bit systems) is performed atomically.

Note that if the new address is not a cache synonym of the old, it will be necessary to flush or invalidate the page in the cache(s) as well. This may involve assigning a temporary virtual address that is such a synonym, and using that address to do the cache operations.

12.12.1.3 Deleting a Page Table Entry

Here we just lock the entry, mark it invalid, wait for the change to complete, and unlock.

```
lock(PTE)
PTEV ← 0
sync
tlbie(PTE)
sync
tlbsync
sync
unlock(PTE)
```

12.12.2 Segment Table Updates

These updates are similar to Page Table updates, but without the complication of hardware updates to Reference and Change bits.

STAB entries must be locked on multiprocessors. Access to STAB entries must be appropriately synchronized by software locking of (i.e., guaranteeing exclusive access to) entries or groups of entries if more than one processor can modify the table at once.

On uniprocessors, STAB entries need not be locked. To adapt the examples given below for the uniprocessor case, simply delete the “lock()” and “unlock()” lines. The *sync* instructions shown are still required even on uniprocessors.

SLBs are non-coherent caches of the STAB. SLB entries must be flushed explicitly with one of the SLB invalidate instructions. The *sync* instruction waits until all prior SLB invalidates by this processor are complete. This may cost a *sync* per STAB entry update.

Unsynchronized lookups in the STAB continue even while it is being modified. Any processor, even including the processor modifying the STAB, may look in the STAB at any time in an attempt to reload a SLB entry. An inconsistent STAB entry must never accidentally become visible, thus there must be synchro-

nization between modifications to the valid bit and any other modifications. This costs as many as two *syncs* per STAB entry update.

In the examples below,

- “lock()” and “unlock()” refer to software locks for exclusive access to the table entry in question,
- *sync* refers to the *sync* instruction, and
- *slbie* refers to the *slbie* instruction.

12.12.2.1 Adding a Segment Table Entry

We fill in the entries in the STE except for the Valid bit, issue a *sync* to ensure that the updates have all made it to storage, and turn on the Valid bit.

```
lock(STE)
STEESID,T,Ks,Kp ← new values
if T = 0
    then STEVSID ← new value
    else STEIO ← new value
sync
STEV ← 1
unlock(STE)
```

12.12.2.2 Modifying a Segment Table Entry

In this case a currently-valid STE must be changed. To do this we must lock the STE, mark it invalid, flush it from the SLB, update the information in the STE, mark it valid again, and unlock, using *sync* at appropriate times to wait for modifications to complete.

```
lock(STE)
STEV ← 0
sync
slbie(STE)
sync
STEESID,T,Ks,Kp ← new values
if T = 0
    then STEVSID ← new value
    else STEIO ← new value
sync
STEV ← 1
unlock(STE)
```

12.12.2.3 Deleting a Segment Table Entry

Here we just lock the entry, mark it invalid, wait for the change to complete, and unlock.

```
lock(STE)
STEV ← 0
sync
slbie(STE)
sync
unlock(STE)
```

12.12.3 Segment Register Updates

On an implementation that provides Segment Registers rather than a Segment Table, there is no table to be locked but there are certain synchronization requirements that must be satisfied when using the *Move to Segment Register* instructions. See Appendix L, "Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers" on page 269.

Chapter 13. Interrupts

13.1 Overview

The PowerPC architecture provides an interrupt mechanism to allow the processor to change state as a result of external signals, errors, or unusual conditions arising in the execution of instructions.

System Reset and Machine Check interrupts are not ordered. All other interrupts are ordered such that only one interrupt is reported, and when it is processed (taken), no program state is lost. Since save/restore registers SRR0 and SRR1 are serially reusable resources used by most interrupts, program state will be lost when an unordered interrupt is taken.

13.2 Interrupt Synchronization

When an interrupt occurs, SRR0 is set to point to an instruction such that all preceding instructions have completed execution, no subsequent instruction has begun execution, and the instruction addressed by SRR0 may or may not have completed execution, depending on the interrupt type.

All interrupts are context synchronizing, as defined in Section 9.7.1, "Context Synchronization" on page 145, except that System Reset and Machine Check interrupts need not be context synchronizing if they are not recoverable (i.e., if bit 62 {30} of SRR1 is set to 0 by the interrupt).

13.3 Interrupt Classes

Interrupts are classified by whether they are directly caused by the execution of an instruction or are caused by some other system exception. Those that are "system-caused" are:

- System Reset
- Machine Check
- External
- Decrementer

External and Decrementer are maskable interrupts. While $MSR_{EE}=0$, the interrupt mechanism ignores the exceptions that generate these interrupts. Therefore, software may delay the generation of these interrupts by setting $MSR_{EE}=0$ or by failing to set $MSR_{EE}=1$ after processing an interrupt. When any interrupt is taken, MSR_{EE} is set to 0 by the interrupt mechanism, delaying the recognition of any further exceptions causing these interrupts.

System Reset and Machine Check exceptions are not maskable. These exceptions will be recognized regardless of the setting of the MSR.

"Instruction-caused" interrupts are further divided into two classes, *precise* and *imprecise*.

13.3.1 Precise Interrupt

Except for the Imprecise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception interrupt, all instruction-caused interrupts are precise. When the execution of an instruction causes a precise interrupt, the following conditions exist at the interrupt point:

1. SRR0 addresses either the instruction causing the exception or the immediately following instruction. Which instruction is addressed can be determined from the interrupt type and status bits.
2. An interrupt is generated such that all instructions preceding the instruction causing the exception appear to have completed with respect to the executing processor. However, some storage accesses generated by these preceding instructions may not have been performed with respect to all other processors and mechanisms.
3. The instruction causing the exception may not have begun execution, may have partially completed, or may have completed, depending on the interrupt type.

4. Architecturally, no subsequent instruction has begun execution.

13.3.2 Imprecise Interrupt

This architecture defines one imprecise interrupt:

- Imprecise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception

When the execution of an instruction causes an imprecise interrupt, the following conditions exist at the interrupt point:

1. SRR0 addresses either the instruction causing the exception or some instruction following the instruction causing the exception that generated the interrupt.
2. An interrupt is generated such that all instructions preceding the instruction addressed by SRR0 appear to have completed with respect to the executing processor.
3. If the imprecise interrupt is forced, by the context synchronizing mechanism, due to an instruction that causes another interrupt (e.g., Alignment, DSI) then SRR0 addresses the interrupt-forcing instruction, and the interrupt-forcing instruction may have been partially executed (see section 13.6, "Partially Executed Instructions" on page 199).
4. If the imprecise interrupt is forced, by the execution synchronizing mechanism, due to executing an execution synchronizing instruction other than *sync* or *isync*, then SRR0 addresses the interrupt-forcing instruction, and the interrupt-forcing instruction appears not to have begun execution (except for its forcing the imprecise interrupt). If the imprecise interrupt is forced by a *sync* or *isync* instruction, then SRR0 may address either the *sync* or *isync* instruction, or the following instruction.
5. If the imprecise interrupt is not forced by either the context or the execution synchronizing mechanism, then the instruction addressed by SRR0 appears not to have begun execution, if it is not the excepting instruction.
6. No instruction following the instruction addressed by SRR0 appears to have begun execution.

All Floating-Point Enabled Exception interrupts are maskable using the MSR bits FE0 and FE1. Although these interrupts are maskable, they differ significantly from the other maskable interrupts in that the masking of these interrupts is usually controlled by the application program whereas the masking of External and Decrementer interrupts is controlled by the operating system.

13.4 Interrupt Processing

Associated with each kind of interrupt is an *interrupt vector*, which contains the initial sequence of instructions that is executed when the corresponding interrupt occurs.

Interrupt processing consists of saving a small part of the processor's state in certain registers, identifying the cause of the interrupt in another register, and continuing execution at the corresponding interrupt vector location. When an exception exists that will cause an interrupt to be generated and it has been determined that the interrupt can be taken, the following actions are performed:

1. SRR0 is loaded with an instruction address that depends on the type of interrupt; see the specific interrupt description for details.
2. Bits 33:36 and 42:47 {1:4 and 10:15} of SRR1 are loaded with information specific to the interrupt type.
3. Bits 0:32, 37:41, and 48:63 {0, 5:9, and 16:31} of SRR1 are loaded with a copy of the corresponding bits of the MSR, except for the Machine Check interrupt, for which these bits are set to implementation-dependent values.
4. The MSR is set as described in Figure 68 on page 193. The new values take effect beginning with the first instruction following the interrupt. MSR bits of particular interest are:
 - MSR_{IR} and MSR_{DR} are set to 0 for all interrupt types. Thus relocate is turned off for both instruction fetch and data access beginning with the first instruction following the acceptance of the interrupt. See Chapter 12, "Storage Control" on page 155.
 - MSR_{SF} bit is set to 1 in 64-bit implementations and execution after the interrupt begins in 64-bit mode. This bit is reserved (not defined) in 32-bit implementations.
5. Instruction fetch and execution resumes, using the new MSR value, at a location specific to the interrupt type. The location is determined by adding the interrupt vector's offset (see Figure 69 on page 193) to the base address determined by MSR_{IP} (see Interrupt Prefix on page 149). For a Machine Check that occurs when MSR_{ME}=0, the Checkstop state is entered (the machine stops executing instructions). See 13.5.2, "Machine Check Interrupt" on page 194.

Interrupts do not clear reservations obtained with *lwarx* or *ldarx*. The operating system should do so at appropriate points, such as at process switch.

Programming Note

In some implementations, any instruction fetch with $MSR_{IR}=1$, and any load or store with $MSR_{DR}=1$, may have the side effect of modifying SRRs 0 and 1.

Programming Note

In general, at process switch, due to possible process interlocks and possible data availability requirements, the operating system needs to consider executing the following:

- *stwcx.*, to clear the reservation if one is outstanding, to ensure that a *lwarx* or *ldarx* in the "old" process is not paired with a *stwcx.* or *stdcx.* in the "new" process.
- *sync*, to ensure that all storage operations of an interrupted process are complete with respect to other processors before that process begins executing on another processor.
- *isync* or *rfi*, to ensure that the instructions in the "new" process execute in the "new" context.

Programming Note

The operating system should manage MSR_{RI} as follows:

- In the Machine Check and System Reset interrupt handlers, interpret SRR1 bit 62 {30} (where MSR_{RI} is placed) as:
 - 0: interrupt is not recoverable
 - 1: interrupt is recoverable with respect to the processor
- In each interrupt handler, when enough state has been saved that a Machine Check or System Reset interrupt can be recovered from, set MSR_{RI} to 1.
- In each interrupt handler, do the following just before returning.
 - Set MSR_{RI} to 0.
 - Set SRR0 and SRR1 to the values to be used by *rfi*. The new value of SRR1 should have bit 62 {30} set to 1 (which will happen naturally if SRR1 is restored to the value saved there by the interrupt, because the interrupt handler will not be executing this sequence unless the interrupt is recoverable).
 - Execute *rfi*.

13.5 Interrupt Definitions

Figure 68 below shows all the types of interrupts and the values assigned to the MSR for each. Figure 69 shows the offset of the interrupt vector, for each interrupt type.

| Interrupt Type | MSR bit | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|-----|-----|----|------|
| | IP | ILE | LE | ME | SF{} |
| System Reset | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Machine Check | - | - | (1) | 0 | 1 |
| Data Storage | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Instruction Storage | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| External | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Alignment | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Program | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| FP Unavailable | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Decrementer | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| System Call | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Trace | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |
| Floating-Point Assist | - | - | (1) | - | 1 |

0 bit is set to 0
 1 bit is set to 1
 - bit is not altered
 (1) bit is copied from ILE

Defined bits not shown above (BE, DR, EE, FE0, FE1, FP, IR, POW, PR, RI, and SE) are set to 0.

Reserved bits are set as if written as 0.

Figure 68. MSR Setting Due to Interrupt

| Offset (hex) | Interrupt Type |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| 00000 | Reserved |
| 00100 | System Reset |
| 00200 | Machine Check |
| 00300 | Data Storage |
| 00400 | Instruction Storage |
| 00500 | External |
| 00600 | Alignment |
| 00700 | Program |
| 00800 | Floating-Point Unavailable |
| 00900 | Decrementer |
| 00A00 | Reserved |
| 00B00 | Reserved |
| 00C00 | System Call |
| 00D00 | Trace |
| 00E00 | Floating-Point Assist |
| 00E10 | Reserved |
| ... | ... |
| 00FFF | Reserved |
| 01000 | Reserved, implementation-specific |
| ... | ... |
| 02FFF | (end of interrupt vector locations) |

Figure 69. Offset of Interrupt Vector by Interrupt Type

Programming Note

Use of any of the locations shown as reserved risks incompatibility with future implementations.

13.5.1 System Reset Interrupt

System Reset begins with a System Reset interrupt.

If the System Reset exception caused the processor state to be corrupted such that the content of SRR0 or SRR1 are not valid or other processor resources are corrupt and would preclude a reliable restart, then the processor sets SRR1 bit 62 {30} (where MSR_{RI} is normally placed) to 0, to indicate to the interrupt handler that the interrupt is not recoverable.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that the processor would have attempted to execute next if no interrupt conditions were present.

SRR1

33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.

42:47 {10:15} Set to 0.

62 {30} Loaded from bit 62 {30} of the MSR if the processor is in a recoverable state, otherwise set to 0.

Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00100 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP} .

13.5.2 Machine Check Interrupt

Machine Check interrupts are enabled when $MSR_{ME}=1$. If $MSR_{ME}=0$ and a Machine Check occurs, the processor enters the Checkstop state.

Disabled Machine Check (Checkstop State)

When a processor is in Checkstop state, instruction processing is suspended and generally cannot be restarted without resetting the processor. Some implementations may freeze the content of all latches when entering Checkstop state so that the state of the processor can be analyzed as an aid in problem determination.

Enabled Machine Check

If the Machine Check exception caused the processor state to be corrupted such that the content of SRR0 or SRR1 are not valid or other processor resources are corrupt and would preclude a reliable restart, then the processor sets SRR1 bit 62 {30} (where

MSR_{RI} is normally placed) to 0, to indicate to the interrupt handler that the interrupt is not recoverable.

In some systems, the operating system may attempt to identify and log the cause of the Machine Check. If the exception that caused the Machine Check does not preclude continued execution (i.e., if SRR1 bit 62 {30} is set to 1 for the interrupt handler), the processor must be able to continue execution at the Machine Check interrupt vector address.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set on a "best effort" basis to the effective address of some instruction that was executing or was about to be executed when the Machine Check exception occurred. For further details see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

SRR1 See the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00200 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP} .

Programming Note

On some implementations a Machine Check interrupt may occur due to referencing an invalid (non-existent) real address, either directly (with $MSR_{DR}=0$), or through an invalid translation. On such a system, execution of *Data Cache Block set to Zero* can cause a delayed Machine Check interrupt by introducing a block into the data cache that is associated with an invalid real address. A Machine Check interrupt could eventually occur when and if a subsequent attempt is made to store that block to main storage.

13.5.3 Data Storage Interrupt

A Data Storage interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists and a data storage access cannot be performed for any of the following reasons:

- The instruction results in a Direct-Store Error exception.
- The effective address of a load, store, *dcbi*, *dcbst*, *dcbf*, *dcbz*, or *icbi* instruction cannot be translated.
- The instruction is not supported for the type of storage addressed. (An interrupt may not occur for this condition; see Section 12.6.3, "Instructions not supported for T=1" on page 174).
- The access violates storage protection.
- Execution of a *ecwx* or *ecowx* instruction is disallowed because $EAR_E=0$.

Such accesses can be generated by load/store type instructions (discussed in Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1), certain storage control instructions, certain cache control instructions (discussed in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117), and the *eciwx* and *ecowx* instructions (discussed in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141).

If a *stwcx.* or *stdcx.* has an effective address for which a normal *store* would cause a Data Storage interrupt, but the processor does not have the reservation from *lwarx* or *ldarx*, then it is implementation-dependent whether or not a Data Storage interrupt occurs.

If a *Move Assist* instruction has a length of zero (in the XER), a Data Storage interrupt does not occur, regardless of the effective address.

The interrupt cause is defined in the Data Storage Interrupt Status Register. These interrupts also use the Data Address Register.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that caused the interrupt.

SRR1

33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.

42:47 {10:15} Set to 0.

Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

DSISR

0 Set to 1 if a load or store instruction results in a Direct-Store Error exception, otherwise 0.

1 Set to 1 if the translation of an attempted access is not found in the hashed primary HTEG, or in the re-hashed secondary HTEG, or in the range of a DBAT register; otherwise 0.

2:3 Set to 0.

4 Set to 1 if a storage access is not permitted by the page or DBAT protection mechanism described on page 179, otherwise 0.

5 Set to 1 if the access was due to an *eciwx*, *ecowx*, *lwarx*, *ldarx*, *stwcx.*, or *stdcx.* that addresses a direct-store segment (T=1 in Segment register or Segment Table Entry), or if the access was due to a *lwarx*, *ldarx*, *stwcx.*, or *stdcx.* that addresses Write Through storage; set to 0 otherwise.

6 Set to 1 for a store operation and to 0 for a load operation.

7:8 Set to 0.

9 Reserved for DABR (see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation).

10 Set to 1 if the Segment Table Search fails to find a translation for the effective address, otherwise set to 0.

11 Set to 1 if execution of a *eciwx* or *ecowx* instruction was attempted with $EAR_E=0$, otherwise set to 0.

12:31 Set to 0.

DAR

Set to the effective address of a storage element as described in the following list.

- A byte in the first word accessed in the page that caused the Data Storage interrupt, for a byte, halfword, or word access to a non-direct-store segment.
- A byte in the first doubleword accessed in the page that caused the Data Storage interrupt, for a doubleword access to a non-direct-store segment.
- A byte in the first word accessed in the BAT area that caused the Data Storage interrupt, for a byte, halfword, or word access to a BAT area.
- A byte in the first doubleword accessed in the BAT area that caused the Data Storage interrupt, for a doubleword access to a BAT area.
- Any effective address in the range of storage being addressed, for a Direct-Store Error exception.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00300 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP}.

13.5.4 Instruction Storage Interrupt

An Instruction Storage interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists and an attempt to fetch the next instruction to be executed cannot be performed for any of the following reasons:

- The effective address cannot be translated.
- The fetch access is to a direct-store segment.
- The fetch access violates storage protection.

Such accesses can only be generated by instruction fetches. The following registers are set:

SRR0

Set to the effective address of the instruction that the processor would have attempted to execute next if no interrupt conditions were present (if the interrupt occurs on attempting to fetch a branch target, SRR0 is set to the branch target address).

SRR1

- 33 {1} Set to 1 if the translation of an attempted access is not found in the hashed primary HTEG, or in the re-hashed secondary HTEG, or in the range of an IBAT register; otherwise 0.
- 34 {2} Set to 0.
- 35 {3} Set to 1 if the fetch access was to a direct-store segment (T=1 in Segment Register or Segment Table Entry); set to 0 otherwise.
- 36 {4} Set to 1 if a storage access is not permitted by the page or IBAT protection mechanism described on page 179, otherwise 0.
- 42 {10} Set to 1 if the Segment Table Search fails to find a translation for the effective address, otherwise set to 0.
- 43:47 {11:15} Set to 0.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00400 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP}.

13.5.5 External Interrupt

An External interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists, an External interrupt exception is presented to the interrupt mechanism, and MSR_{EE}=1. The occurrence of the interrupt does *not* cancel the request.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that the processor would have attempted to execute next if no interrupt conditions were present.

SRR1

- 33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.
- 42:47 {10:15} Set to 0.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00500 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP}.

13.5.6 Alignment Interrupt

An Alignment interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists and the implementation cannot perform a storage access for one of the reasons listed below. The term "protection boundary," used below, refers to the boundary between protection domains. A protection domain is a direct-store segment, a block of storage defined by a BAT entry, or a 4K block of storage defined by a Page Table entry. Protection domains are defined only when DR=1.

- The operand of a floating-point load or store is not word-aligned, for any storage class.
- The operand of a fixed-point doubleword load or store is not word-aligned, for any storage class.
- The operand of *lmw*, *stmw*, *lwarx*, or *stwcx*. is not word-aligned, or the operand of *ldarx* or *stdcx*. is not doubleword-aligned, for any storage class.
- The operand of a floating-point load or store is in a direct-store segment (T=1).
- The operand of an elementary or string load or store crosses a protection boundary.
- The operand of *lmw* or *stmw* crosses a segment or BAT boundary.
- The operand of *Data Cache Block set to Zero (dcbz)* is in a page that is Write Through or Caching Inhibited, for a virtual mode access.

In all cases above, an implementation may correctly do the operation and not cause an Alignment interrupt. Details can be found in the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that caused the interrupt.

SRR1

- 33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.
- 42:47 {10:15} Set to 0.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

DSISR

- 0:11 Set to 0.
- 12:13 Set to bits 30:31 of the instruction if DS-form.
Set to 0b00 if D- or X-form. (Set to 0b00 on 32-bit implementations.)
- 14 Set to 0.
- 15:16 Set to bits 29:30 of the instruction if X-form.
Set to 0b00 if D- or DS-form.
- 17 Set to bit 25 of the instruction if X-form.
Set to bit 5 of the instruction if D- or DS-form.

- 18:21 Set to bits 21:24 of the instruction if X-form. Set to bits 1:4 of the instruction if D- or DS-form.
- 22:26 Set to bits 6:10 of the instruction (RT/RS/FRT/FRS), except undefined for *dcbz*.
- 27:31 Set to bits 11:15 of the instruction (RA) for update form instructions; set to either bits 11:15 of the instruction or to any register number not in the range of registers loaded by a valid form instruction, for *lwm*, *lswi*, and *lswx*; undefined for other instructions.
- DAR** Set to the effective address of the data access as computed by the instruction causing the alignment exception.

For an X-form Load or Store, it is acceptable to set the DSISR to the same value that would have resulted if the corresponding D- or DS-form instruction had caused the interrupt. Similarly, for a D- or DS-form Load or Store, it is acceptable to set the DSISR to the value that would have resulted for the corresponding X-form instruction. For example, an unaligned *lwax* (that crosses a protection boundary) would normally, following the description above, cause the DSISR to be set to binary:

```
00000000000000 00 0 01 0 0101 ttttt ?????
```

where "tttt" denotes the RT field, and "?????" denotes undefined bits. However, it is acceptable if it causes the DSISR to be set as for *lwa*, which is

```
00000000000000 10 0 00 0 1101 ttttt ?????
```

If there is no corresponding alternate form instruction (e.g., for *lwaux*), the value described above must be set in the DSISR.

The instruction pairs that may use the same DSISR value are:

| | | | |
|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| lbz/lbzx | lbzu/lbzx | lhz/lhzx | lhzu/lhzx |
| lha/lhax | lhau/lhax | lwz/lwzx | lwzu/lwzx |
| lwa/lwax | ld/ldx | ldu/ldux | |
| stb/stbx | stbu/stbx | sth/sthx | sthu/sthx |
| stw/stwx | stwu/stwx | std/stdx | stdu/stdx |
| lfs/lfsx | lfsu/lfsx | lfd/lfdx | lfdu/lfdx |
| stfs/stfsx | stfsu/stfsx | stfd/stfdx | stfdu/stfdx |

Execution resumes at offset 0x00600 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP}.

Programming Note

Software should *not* attempt to obtain a reservation for an unaligned *lwarx* or *ldarx*, nor to simulate an unaligned *stwcx*. or *stdcx*.

13.5.7 Program Interrupt

A Program interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists and one or more of the following exceptions arises during execution of an instruction:

Floating-Point Enabled Exception

A Floating-Point Enabled Exception type Program interrupt is generated when the expression

$$(MSR_{FE0} | MSR_{FE1}) \& FPSCR_{FEX}$$

is 1. FPSCR_{FEX} is turned on by the execution of a floating-point instruction that causes an enabled exception or by the execution of a "Move to FPSCR" type instruction that results in both an exception bit and its corresponding enable bit being 1.

Illegal Instruction

An Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt is generated when execution is attempted of an instruction with an illegal opcode or an illegal combination of opcode and extended opcode fields, or when execution is attempted of an optional instruction that is not provided by the implementation (with the exception of optional instructions that are treated as no-ops). Also, implementations are allowed to generate this interrupt for any invalid form instructions.

See the Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1 appendix "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" regarding moving to and from the MQ and Decrementer registers.

Privileged Instruction

A Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt is generated when the execution of a privileged instruction is attempted and MSR_{PR}=1. Some implementations may generate this interrupt for *mtspr* or *mfspr* with an invalid SPR field if spr₀=1 and MSR_{PR}=1.

Trap

A Trap type Program interrupt is generated when any of the conditions specified in a *Trap* instruction is met.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 For all Program interrupts except a Floating-Point Enabled Exception when in one of the Imprecise modes, set to the effective address of the instruction that caused the Program interrupt.

For an Imprecise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception, set to the effective address of the excepting instruction or to the effective address of some subsequent instruction. If it points to a subsequent instruction, that instruction has not been executed. If a subsequent instruction is *Synchronize (sync)* or *Instruction Synchronize (isync)*, SRR0 will not point more than

four bytes beyond the *sync* or *isync* instruction.

If $FPSCR_{FEX}=1$ but Floating-Point Enabled Exception interrupt is disabled by having both MSR_{FE0} and $MSR_{FE1} = 0$, a Floating-Point Enabled Exception interrupt will occur prior to or at the next synchronizing event if these MSR bits are altered with any instruction that can set the MSR so that the expression

$$(MSR_{FE0} \mid MSR_{FE1}) \& FPSCR_{FEX}$$

is 1. When this occurs, $SRR0$ is loaded with the address of the instruction that would have executed next, not with the address of the instruction that modified the MSR causing the interrupt.

SRR1

- 33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.
- 42 {10} Set to 0.
- 43 {11} Set to 1 for a Floating-Point Enabled Exception type Program interrupt, otherwise 0.
- 44 {12} Set to 1 for an Illegal Instruction type Program interrupt, otherwise 0.
- 45 {13} Set to 1 for a Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt, otherwise 0.
- 46 {14} Set to 1 for a Trap type Program interrupt, otherwise 0.
- 47 {15} Set to 0 if $SRR0$ contains the address of the instruction causing the exception, and to 1 if $SRR0$ contains the address of a subsequent instruction.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

Only one of bits 43:46 {11:14} can be set to 1.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00700 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP} .

13.5.8 Floating-Point Unavailable Interrupt

A Floating-Point Unavailable interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists, an attempt is made to execute a floating-point instruction (including floating-point loads, stores, and moves), and $MSR_{FP}=0$.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that caused the interrupt.

SRR1

- 33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.
- 42:47 {10:15} Set to 0.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00800 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP} .

13.5.9 Decrementer Interrupt

A Decrementer interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists, the Decrementer exception exists, and $MSR_{EE}=1$. The occurrence of the interrupt cancels the request.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that the processor would have attempted to execute next if no interrupt conditions were present.

SRR1

- 33:36 {1:4} Set to 0.
- 42:47 {10:15} Set to 0.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00900 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP} .

13.5.10 System Call Interrupt

A System Call interrupt occurs when a *System Call* instruction is executed.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction following the *System Call* instruction.

SRR1

- 32:47 {0:15} Undefined.
- Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00C00 from the base real address indicated by MSR_{IP} .

13.5.11 Trace Interrupt

The Trace interrupt may optionally be implemented.

If implemented, a Trace interrupt occurs when no higher priority exception exists and either $MSR_{SE}=1$ and any instruction except *rfi* is successfully completed, or $MSR_{BE}=1$ and a branch instruction is completed.

The following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that the processor would have attempted to execute next if no interrupt conditions were present.

SRR1
33:36 and 42:47 {1:4 and 10:15} See the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

For further details see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00D00 from the base real address indicated by MSR_p .

13.5.12 Floating-Point Assist Interrupt

The Floating-Point Assist interrupt may optionally be implemented. Its purpose is to allow software assistance for relatively infrequent and complex floating-point operations such as computations involving denormalized numbers.

If implemented, the following registers are set:

SRR0 Set to the effective address of the instruction that caused the Floating-Point Assist interrupt.

SRR1
33:36 and 42:47 {1:4 and 10:15} See the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

Others Loaded from the MSR.

MSR See Figure 68 on page 193.

For further details see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

Execution resumes at offset 0x00E00 from the base real address indicated by MSR_p .

13.6 Partially Executed Instructions

The architecture permits certain instructions to be partially executed when an Alignment or Data Storage interrupt occurs, or an imprecise interrupt is forced by an instruction that causes an Alignment or Data Storage exception. These are:

1. *Load Multiple* or *Load String* that causes an Alignment or Data Storage interrupt: Some registers in the range of registers to be loaded may have been loaded.
2. *Store Multiple* or *Store String* that causes an Alignment or Data Storage interrupt: Some bytes of storage in the range addressed may have been updated.
3. An elementary (non-multiple and non-string) store that causes an Alignment or Data Storage interrupt: Some bytes just before the boundary may have been updated. If the instruction normally alters CR0 (*stwcx.*, *stdcx.*), CR0 is set to an undefined value. For update forms, the update register (RA) is not altered.
4. A floating-point load that causes an Alignment or Data Storage interrupt: the target register may be altered. For update forms, the update register (RA) is not altered.
5. A load or store to a direct-store segment that causes a Data Storage interrupt due to a Direct-Store Error exception: Some of the associated address/data transfers may not have been initiated. All initiated transfers are completed before the exception is reported, and the non-initiated transfers are aborted. Thus the instruction completes before the Data Storage interrupt occurs.

In the cases above, the questions of how many registers and how much storage is altered are implementation-, instruction-, and boundary-dependent. However, storage protection is not violated. Furthermore, if some of the data accessed is in direct-store (T=1), and the instruction is not supported for direct-store, the locations in direct-store are not accessed.

In the following situation, partial execution is not allowed (this preserves restartability):

An elementary (non-multiple and non-string) fixed-point load that causes an Alignment or Data Storage interrupt: the target register is not altered. For update forms, the update register (RA) is not altered.

13.7 Exception Ordering

Since multiple exceptions can exist at the same time and the architecture does not provide for reporting more than one interrupt at a time, the generation of more than one interrupt is prohibited. Also some exceptions would be lost if they were not recognized and handled when they occur. For example, if an external interrupt was generated when a data storage exception existed, the data storage exception would be lost. If the data storage exception was caused by a *Store Multiple* instruction that spanned a page boundary and the exception was a result of attempting to access the second page, the store could have modified locations in the first page even though it appeared that the *Store Multiple* instruction was never executed.

In addition, the architecture defines imprecise interrupts that must be recoverable, cannot be lost, and can occur at any time with respect to the executing instruction stream. Some of the maskable and non-maskable exceptions are persistent and can be deferred. The following exceptions persist even though some other interrupt is generated:

- Floating-Point Enabled Exceptions
- External
- Decrementer

For the above reasons, all exceptions are prioritized with respect to other exceptions that may exist at the same instant to prevent the loss of any exception that is not persistent. Some exceptions cannot exist at the same instant as some others.

13.7.1 Unordered Interrupt Conditions

The exceptions listed here are unordered, meaning that they may occur at any time regardless of the state of the interrupt mechanism. These exceptions must be recognized and processed when presented.

1. System Reset
2. Machine Check

All other interrupts are ordered with respect to the interrupt mechanism resources.

13.7.2 Ordered Exceptions

The exceptions described here are ordered, meaning that only one can be reported. However, the single ordered exception that can be reported may exist in concert with unordered exceptions. Ordered exceptions may or may not be instruction-caused. The two lists identify the ordered interrupts by type. The order within the lists does not imply priority but only lists the possible exceptions that may be reported.

System-caused or Imprecise

1. Program
 - Imprecise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception
2. External
3. Decrementer

Instruction-caused and Precise

1. Instruction Storage
2. Program
 - Illegal Instruction
 - Privileged Instruction
3. Function Dependent
 - 3.a Fixed-Point
 - 1a Program - Trap
 - 1b System Call
 - 1c.1 Alignment
 - 1c.2 Data Storage
 - 2 Trace (if implemented)
 - 3.b Floating-Point
 - 1 FP Unavailable
 - 2a Program
 - Precise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Excep'n
 - 2b Floating-Point Assist (if implemented)
 - 2c.1 Alignment
 - 2c.2 Data Storage
 - 3 Trace (if implemented)

For implementations that execute multiple instructions in parallel using pipeline or super-scalar techniques, or combinations of these, it can be difficult to understand the ordering of exceptions. To understand this ordering it is useful to consider a model in which an instruction is fetched, decoded, and then executed. In this model, the exceptions a single instruction would generate are in the order shown in the list of instruction-caused exceptions. Exceptions with different numbers have different ordering. Exceptions with the same numbering but different lettering are mutually exclusive and cannot be caused by the same instruction.

Even on processors that are capable of executing several instructions simultaneously, or out of order, instruction-caused interrupts (precise and imprecise) occur in program order.

13.8 Interrupt Priorities

This section describes the relationship of nonmaskable, maskable, precise, and imprecise interrupts. In the following descriptions, the interrupt mechanism waiting for all possible exceptions to be reported includes only exceptions caused by previously initiated instructions (e.g. it does not include waiting for the Decrementer to step through zero). The exceptions are listed in order of highest to lowest priority.

1. System Reset

System Reset exception has the highest priority of all exceptions. If this exception exists, the interrupt mechanism ignores all other exceptions and generates a System Reset interrupt.

Once the System Reset interrupt is generated, no nonmaskable interrupts are generated due to exceptions caused by instructions issued prior to the generation of this interrupt.

2. Machine Check

Machine Check exception is the second highest priority exception. If this exception exists and a System Reset exception does not exist, the interrupt mechanism ignores all other exceptions and generates a Machine Check interrupt.

Once the Machine Check interrupt is generated, no nonmaskable interrupts are generated due to exceptions caused by instructions issued prior to the generation of this interrupt.

3. Instruction Dependent

This exception is the third highest priority exception. When this exception is created, the interrupt mechanism waits for all possible imprecise exceptions to be reported. It then generates the appropriate ordered interrupt if no higher priority interrupt exception exists when the interrupt is to be generated. Within this category a particular instruction may present more than a single exception. When this occurs, those exceptions are ordered in priority as indicated in the following lists.

A. Fixed-Point Loads and Stores

- a. Alignment
- b. Data Storage
- c. Trace (if implemented)

B. Floating-Point Loads and Stores

- a. Floating-Point Unavailable
- b. Alignment
- c. Data Storage
- d. Trace (if implemented)

C. Other Floating-Point Instructions

- a. Floating-Point Unavailable
- b. Program - Precise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception
- c. Floating-Point Assist (if implemented)

- d. Trace (if implemented)

Not all floating-point instructions can cause enabled exceptions.

D. *rfi* and *mtmsr*

- a. Program - Privileged Instruction
- b. Program - Precise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception
- c. Trace (if implemented)

If the MSR bits FE0 and FE1 are set such that Precise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception interrupts are enabled and the FPSCR(FEX) bit is set, a Program interrupt will result prior to or at the next synchronizing event.

The Trace interrupt should not be generated after an *rfi*.

E. Other exceptions

These exceptions are mutually exclusive and have the same priority:

- Program - Trap
- System Call
- Program - Privileged Instruction
- Program - Illegal Instruction

F. Instruction Storage

This exception has the lowest priority in this category. It is only recognized when all instructions prior to the instruction causing this exception appear to have completed and that instruction is to be executed.

The priority of this interrupt is specified for completeness and to ensure that it is not given more favorable treatment. It is acceptable for an implementation to treat this interrupt as though it had a lower priority.

4. Program - Imprecise Mode Floating-Point Enabled Exception

This exception is the fourth highest priority exception. When this exception is created, the interrupt mechanism waits for all other possible exceptions to be reported. It then generates this interrupt if no higher priority exception exists when the interrupt is to be generated.

5. External

This exception is the fifth highest priority exception. When this exception is created, the interrupt mechanism waits for all other possible exceptions to be reported. It then generates this interrupt if no higher priority exception exists when the interrupt is to be generated.

6. Decrementer

This exception is the lowest priority exception. When this exception is created, the interrupt mechanism waits for all other possible exceptions to be reported. It then generates this interrupt if no higher priority exception exists when the interrupt is to be generated.

Chapter 14. Timer Facilities

14.1 Overview

The Time Base and the Decrementer provide timing functions for the system. Specific instructions are provided for reading and writing the Time Base, while the Decrementer is manipulated as an SPR. Both are volatile resources and must be initialized during start up.

Time Base (TB)

The Time Base provides a long-period counter driven by an implementation-dependent frequency.

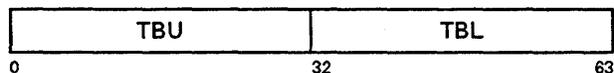
Decrementer (DEC)

The Decrementer, a counter that is updated at the same rate as the Time Base, provides a means of signalling an interrupt after a specified amount of time has elapsed unless

- the Decrementer is altered in the interim, or
- the Time Base update frequency changes.

14.2 Time Base

The Time Base (TB) is a 64-bit register (see Figure 70) containing a 64-bit unsigned integer that is incremented periodically. Each increment adds 1 to the low-order bit (bit 63). The frequency at which the counter is updated is implementation-dependent and need not be constant over long periods of time.



| Field | Description |
|-------|----------------------------|
| TBU | Upper 32 bits of Time Base |
| TBL | Lower 32 bits of Time Base |

Figure 70. Time Base

The Time Base runs continuously when powered on. There is no automatic initialization of the Time Base to a known value when the CPU is powered up; system software must perform this initialization if the value of the Time Base at any instant (rather than the difference between two values of the Time Base at different instants) is important.

The Time Base increments until its value becomes 0xFFFF_FFFF_FFFF_FFFF ($2^{64} - 1$). At the next increment, its value becomes 0x0000_0000_0000_0000. There is no interrupt or other indication when this occurs.

The period of the Time Base depends on the driving frequency. As an order of magnitude example, suppose that the CPU clock is 100 MHz and that the Time Base is driven by this frequency divided by 32. Then the period of the Time Base would be

$$T_{TB} = \frac{2^{64} \times 32}{100 \text{ MHz}} = 5.90 \times 10^{12} \text{ seconds}$$

which is approximately 187,000 years.

The PowerPC Architecture does not specify a relationship between the frequency at which the Time Base is updated and other frequencies, such as the CPU clock or bus clock, in a PowerPC system. The Time Base update frequency is not required to be constant. What *is* required, so that system software can keep time of day and operate interval timers, is:

- The system provides an (implementation-dependent) interrupt to software whenever the update frequency of the Time Base changes, plus a means to determine what the current update frequency is, or
- The update frequency of the Time Base is under the control of the system software.

Programming Notes

Assuming that the operating system initializes the Time Base on power-on to some reasonable value and that the update frequency of the Time Base is constant, the Time Base can be used as a source of values that increase at a constant rate, such as for time stamps in trace entries.

Even if the update frequency is not constant, values read from the Time Base will be monotonically increasing. If a trace entry is recorded each time the update frequency changes, the sequence of Time Base values can be post-processed to become actual time values.

On an implementation that performs speculative execution, the Time Base may be read arbitrarily far "ahead" of the point at which it appears in the instruction stream. If it is important that this not occur, a context synchronizing operation such as the *isync* instruction should be placed immediately before the instructions that read the Time Base.

See the description of the Time Base in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117 for ways to compute time of day in POSIX format from the Time Base.

14.2.1 Writing the Time Base

Writing the Time Base is privileged; reading the Time Base is *not* privileged; it is discussed in Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117.

It is not possible to write the entire 64-bit Time Base in a single instruction. The *mttbl* and *mttbu* extended mnemonics write the lower and upper halves of the Time Base (TBL and TBU), respectively, preserving the other half. These are extended mnemonics for the *mtspr* instruction; see page 231.

The Time Base can be written by a sequence such as:

```
lwz Rx,upper # load 64-bit value for
lwz Ry,lower # TB into Rx and Ry
li Rz,0
mttbl Rz # force TBL to 0
mttbu Rx # set TBU
mttbl Ry # set TBL
```

Loading 0 into TBL prevents the possibility of a carry from TBL to TBU while the Time Base is being initialized.

Programming Note

The instructions for writing the Time Base are implementation- and mode-independent. Thus code written to set the Time Base on a 32-bit implementation will work correctly on a 64-bit implementation running in either 64- or 32-bit mode.

14.3 Decrementer

The Decrementer (DEC) is a 32-bit decrementing counter that provides a mechanism for causing a Decrementer Interrupt after a programmable delay.

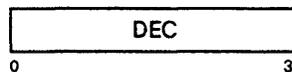


Figure 71. Decrementer

The Decrementer is driven by the same frequency as the Time Base. The period of the Decrementer will depend on the driving frequency, but if the same values are used as given above for the Time Base (section Chapter 8), and if the Time Base update frequency is constant, the period would be

$$T_{DEC} = \frac{2^{32} \times 32}{100 \text{ MHz}} = 1.37 \times 10^3 \text{ seconds}$$

which is approximately 23 minutes.

The Decrementer counts down, causing an interrupt (unless masked) when passing through zero. The Decrementer must be implemented such that the following requirements are satisfied:

1. The operation of the Time Base and the Decrementer are coherent, i.e. the counters are driven by the same fundamental time base.
2. Loading a GPR from the Decrementer shall have no effect on the Decrementer.
3. Storing a GPR to the Decrementer shall replace the value in the Decrementer with the value in the GPR.
4. Whenever bit 0 of the Decrementer changes from 0 to 1, an interrupt request is signalled. If multiple Decrementer Interrupt requests are received before the first can be reported, only one interrupt is reported. The occurrence of a Decrementer Interrupt cancels the request.
5. If the Decrementer is altered by software and the content of bit 0 is changed from 0 to 1, an interrupt request is signaled.

Programming Note

In systems that change the Time Base update frequency for purposes such as power management, the Decrementer input frequency will also change. Software must be aware of this in order to set interval timers.

On an implementation that performs speculative execution, the Decrementer may be read arbitrarily far “ahead” of the point at which it appears in the instruction stream. If it is important that this not occur, a context synchronizing operation such as the *isync* instruction should be placed immediately before the instruction that reads the Decrementer.

14.3.1 Writing and Reading the Decrementer

The content of the Decrementer can be read or written using the *mfspr* and *mtspr* instructions, both of which are privileged when they refer to the Decrementer. Using an extended mnemonic (see page 231), the Decrementer may be written from register GPR Rx with:

```
mtdec Rx
```

Programming Note

If the execution of this instruction causes bit 0 of the Decrementer to change from 0 to 1, an interrupt request is signalled.

The Decrementer may be read into GPR Rx with:

```
mfdec Rx
```

Copying the Decrementer to a GPR has no effect on the Decrementer content or interrupt mechanism.

Appendix A. Optional Instructions

The instructions described in this appendix are optional. If an instruction is implemented that matches the semantics of an instruction described here, the implementation should be as specified here.

The optional instructions are divided into two groups. Additional groups may be defined in the future.

- General Purpose group: *fsqrt* and *fsqrts*.
- Graphics group: *stfiwx*, *fres*, *frsqrte*, and *fsel*.

If an implementation claims to support a given group, it must implement all the instructions in the group.

A.1 Floating-Point Processor Instructions

A.1.1 Floating-Point Store Instruction

Byte ordering on PowerPC is Big-Endian by default. See Appendix D, "Little-Endian Byte Ordering" on page 233 for the effects of operating a PowerPC system with Little-Endian byte ordering.

Store Floating-Point as Integer Word Indexed X-form

stfiwx FRS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | FRS | RA | RB | 983 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```
if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else            b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
MEM(EA, 4) ← (FRS)32:63
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

The contents of the low-order 32 bits of register FRS are stored, without conversion, into the word in storage addressed by EA.

If the contents of register FRS were produced, either directly or indirectly, by a *Load Floating-Point Single* instruction, a single-precision arithmetic instruction, or *frsp*, then the value stored is undefined. (The contents of register FRS are produced directly by such an instruction if FRS is the target register for the instruction. The contents of register FRS are produced indirectly by such an instruction if FRS is the final target register of a sequence of one or more *Floating-Point Move* instructions, with the input to the sequence having been produced directly by such an instruction.)

Special Registers Altered:
None

A.1.2 Floating-Point Arithmetic Instructions

Floating Square Root [Single] A-form

fsqrt FRT,FRB (Rc=0)
fsqrt. FRT,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | /// | FRB | /// | 22 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

fsqrts FRT,FRB (Rc=0)
fsqrts. FRT,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | /// | FRB | /// | 22 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

The square root of the floating-point operand in register FRB is placed into register FRT.

If the most significant bit of the resultant significand is not a one the result is normalized. The result is rounded to the target precision under control of the Floating-Point Rounding Control field RN of the FPSCR and placed into register FRT.

Operation with various special values of the operand is summarized below.

| Operand | Result | Exception |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| $-\infty$ | QNaN ¹ | VXSQRT |
| < 0 | QNaN ¹ | VXSQRT |
| -0 | -0 | None |
| $+\infty$ | $+\infty$ | None |
| SNaN | QNaN ¹ | VXSNAN |
| QNaN | QNaN | None |

¹No result if FPSCR_{VE} = 1.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE} = 1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR FI
FX XX
VXSNAN VXSQRT
CR1 (if Rc = 1)

Floating Reciprocal Estimate Single A-form

fres FRT,FRB (Rc=0)
fres. FRT,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 59 | FRT | /// | FRB | /// | 24 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

A single-precision estimate of the reciprocal of the floating-point operand in register FRB is placed into register FRT. The estimate placed into register FRT is correct to a precision of one part in 256 of the reciprocal of (FRB).

Operation with various special values of the operand is summarized below.

| Operand | Result | Exception |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| $-\infty$ | -0 | None |
| -0 | $-\infty^1$ | ZX |
| $+0$ | $+\infty^1$ | ZX |
| $+\infty$ | $+0$ | None |
| SNaN | QNaN ² | VXSNAN |
| QNaN | QNaN | None |

¹No result if FPSCR_{ZE} = 1.

²No result if FPSCR_{VE} = 1.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE} = 1 and Zero Divide Exceptions when FPSCR_{ZE} = 1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR (undefined) FI (undefined)
FX OX UX ZX
VXSNAN
CR1 (if Rc = 1)

Floating Reciprocal Square Root Estimate A-form

frsqrte FRT,FRB (Rc=0)
 frsqrite. FRT,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | /// | FRB | /// | 26 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

A double-precision estimate of the reciprocal of the square root of the floating-point operand in register FRB is placed into register FRT. The estimate placed into register FRT is correct to a precision of one part in 32 of the reciprocal of the square root of (FRB).

Operation with various special values of the operand is summarized below.

| Operand | Result | Exception |
|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| $-\infty$ | QNaN ² | VXSQRT |
| < 0 | QNaN ² | VXSQRT |
| -0 | $-\infty^1$ | ZX |
| $+0$ | $+\infty^1$ | ZX |
| $+\infty$ | $+0$ | None |
| SNaN | QNaN ² | VXSNAN |
| QNaN | QNaN | None |

¹No result if FPSCR_{ZE} = 1.

²No result if FPSCR_{VE} = 1.

FPSCR_{FPRF} is set to the class and sign of the result, except for Invalid Operation Exceptions when FPSCR_{VE}=1 and Zero Divide Exceptions when FPSCR_{ZE}=1.

Special Registers Altered:

FPRF FR (undefined) FI (undefined)
 FX ZX
 VXSNAN VXSQRT
 CR1

(if Rc=1)

A.1.3 Floating-Point Select Instruction

Floating Select A-form

fsel FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=0)
 fsel. FRT,FRA,FRC,FRB (Rc=1)

| | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 63 | FRT | FRA | FRB | FRC | 23 | Rc |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 26 | 31 |

if (FRA) \geq 0.0 then FRT \leftarrow (FRC)
 else FRT \leftarrow (FRB)

The floating-point operand in register FRA is compared to the value zero. If the operand is greater than or equal to zero, register FRT is set to the contents of register FRC. If the operand is less than zero or is a NaN, register FRT is set to the contents of register FRB. The comparison ignores the sign of zero (i.e., regards +0 as equal to -0).

Special Registers Altered:

CR1

(if Rc=1)

Programming Note

Examples of uses of this instruction can be found in Appendices E.3, "Floating-Point Conversions" on page 248, and E.4, "Floating-Point Selection" on page 251.

Warning: Care must be taken in using *fsel* if IEEE compatibility is required, or if the values being tested can be NaNs or infinities; see Section E.4.4, "Notes" on page 251.

Appendix B. Suggested Floating-Point Models

B.1 Floating-Point Round to Single-Precision Model

The following describes algorithmically the operation of the *Floating Round to Single-Precision* instruction.

```
If (FRB)1:11 < 897 and (FRB)1:63 > 0 then
  Do
    If FPSCRUE = 0 then goto Disabled Exponent Underflow
    If FPSCRUE = 1 then goto Enabled Exponent Underflow
  End

If (FRB)1:11 > 1150 and (FRB)1:11 < 2047 then
  Do
    If FPSCROE = 0 then goto Disabled Exponent Overflow
    If FPSCROE = 1 then goto Enabled Exponent Overflow
  End

If (FRB)1:11 > 896 and (FRB)1:11 < 1151 then goto Normal Operand

If (FRB)1:63 = 0 then goto Zero Operand

If (FRB)1:11 = 2047 then
  Do
    If (FRB)12:63 = 0 then goto Infinity Operand
    If (FRB)12 = 1 then goto QNaN Operand
    If (FRB)12 = 0 and (FRB)13:63 > 0 then goto SNaN Operand
  End
```

Disabled Exponent Underflow:

```
sign ← (FRB)0
If (FRB)1:11 = 0 then
  Do
    exp ← -1022
    frac ← 0b0 || (FRB)12:63
  End
If (FRB)1:11 > 0 then
  Do
    exp ← (FRB)1:11 - 1023
    frac ← 0b1 || (FRB)12:63
  End
Denormalize operand:
G || R || X ← 0b000
Do while exp < -126
  exp ← exp + 1
  frac || G || R || X ← 0b0 || frac || G || (R | X)
End
FPSCRUX ← frac24:52 || G || R || X > 0
Round single(sign,exp,frac,G,R,X)
FPSCRXX ← FPSCRXX | FPSCRFI
If frac = 0 then
  Do
    FRT00 ← sign
    FRT01:63 ← 0
    If sign = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+zero"
    If sign = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-zero"
  End
If frac > 0 then
  Do
    If frac0 = 1 then
      Do
        If sign = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+normal number"
        If sign = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-normal number"
      End
    If frac0 = 0 then
      Do
        If sign = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+denormalized number"
        If sign = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-denormalized number"
      End
    Normalize operand:
    Do while frac0 = 0
      exp ← exp - 1
      frac || G || R ← frac1:52 || G || R || 0b0
    End
    FRT0 ← sign
    FRT1:11 ← exp + 1023
    FRT12:63 ← frac1:23 || 290
  End
End
Done
```

Enabled Exponent Underflow:

```
FPSCRUX ← 1
sign ← (FRB)0
If (FRB)1:11 = 0 then
  Do
    exp ← -1022
    frac ← 0b0 || (FRB)12:63
  End
If (FRB)1:11 > 0 then
  Do
    exp ← (FRB)1:11 - 1023
    frac ← 0b1 || (FRB)12:63
  End
Normalize operand:
Do while frac0 = 0
  exp ← exp - 1
  frac ← frac1:52 || 0b0
End

Round single(sign,exp,frac,0,0,0)
FPSCRXX ← FPSCRXX | FPSCRFI
exp ← exp + 192
FRT0 ← sign
FRT1:11 ← exp + 1023
FRT12:63 ← frac1:23 || 290
If sign = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+normal number"
If sign = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-normal number"
Done
```

Disabled Exponent Overflow:

```
FPSCROX ← 1
If FPSCRRN = 0b00 then /* Round to Nearest */
  Do
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FRT ← 0x7FF0_0000_0000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FRT ← 0xFFFO_0000_0000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+infinity"
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-infinity"
  End
If FPSCRRN = 0b01 then /* Round Truncate */
  Do
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FRT ← 0x47EF_FFFF_E000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FRT ← 0xC7EF_FFFF_E000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+normal number"
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-normal number"
  End
If FPSCRRN = 0b10 then /* Round to +Infinity */
  Do
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FRT ← 0x7FF0_0000_0000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FRT ← 0xC7EF_FFFF_E000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+infinity"
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-normal number"
  End
If FPSCRRN = 0b11 then /* Round to -Infinity */
  Do
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FRT ← 0x47EF_FFFF_E000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FRT ← 0xFFFO_0000_0000_0000
    If (FRB)0 = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+normal number"
    If (FRB)0 = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-infinity"
  End

FPSCRFR ← undefined
FPSCRFI ← 1
FPSCRXX ← 1
Done
```

Enabled Exponent Overflow:

sign \leftarrow (FRB)₀
exp \leftarrow (FRB)_{1:11} - 1023
frac \leftarrow 0b1 || (FRB)_{12:63}
Round single(sign,exp,frac,0,0,0)
FPSCR_{XX} \leftarrow FPSCR_{XX} | FPSCR_{FI}

Enabled Overflow:

FPSCR_{OX} \leftarrow 1
exp \leftarrow exp - 192
FRT₀ \leftarrow sign
FRT_{1:11} \leftarrow exp + 1023
FRT_{12:63} \leftarrow frac_{1:23} || 2⁹⁰
If sign = 0 then FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "+normal number"
If sign = 1 then FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "-normal number"
Done

Zero Operand:

FRT \leftarrow (FRB)
If (FRB)₀ = 0 then FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "+zero"
If (FRB)₀ = 1 then FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "-zero"
FPSCR_{FR FI} \leftarrow 0b00
Done

Infinity Operand:

FRT \leftarrow (FRB)
If (FRB)₀ = 0 then FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "+infinity"
If (FRB)₀ = 1 then FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "-infinity"
FPSCR_{FR FI} \leftarrow 0b00
Done

QNaN Operand:

FRT \leftarrow (FRB)_{0:34} || 2⁹⁰
FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "QNaN"
FPSCR_{FR FI} \leftarrow 0b00
Done

SNaN Operand:

FPSCR_{VXSNAN} \leftarrow 1
If FPSCR_{VE} = 0 then
 Do
 FRT_{0:11} \leftarrow (FRB)_{0:11}
 FRT₁₂ \leftarrow 1
 FRT_{13:63} \leftarrow (FRB)_{13:34} || 2⁹⁰
 FPSCR_{FPRF} \leftarrow "QNaN"
 End
FPSCR_{FR FI} \leftarrow 0b00
Done

Normal Operand:

```
sign ← (FRB)0
exp ← (FRB)1:11 - 1023
frac ← 0b1 || (FRB)12:63
Round single(sign,exp,frac,0,0,0)
FPSCRXX ← FPSCRXX | FPSCRFI
If exp > +127 and FPSCROE = 0 then go to Disabled Exponent Overflow
If exp > +127 and FPSCROE = 1 then go to Enabled Overflow
FRT0 ← sign
FRT1:11 ← exp + 1023
FRT12:63 ← frac1:23 || 290
If sign = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+normal number"
If sign = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-normal number"
Done
```

Round single(sign,exp,frac,G,R,X):

```
inc ← 0
lsb ← frac23
gbit ← frac24
rbit ← frac25
xbit ← (frac26:52 || G || R || X) ≠ 0
If FPSCRRN = 0b00 then
  Do
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu11uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu011u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu01u1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
If FPSCRRN = 0b10 then
  Do
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0u1uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0uu1u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0uuu1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
If FPSCRRN = 0b11 then
  Do
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1u1uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1uu1u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1uuu1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
frac0:23 ← frac0:23 + inc
If carry_out = 1 then
  Do
    frac0:23 ← 0b1 || frac0:22
    exp ← exp + 1
  End
FPSCRFR ← inc
FPSCRFI ← gbit | rbit | xbit
Return
```

B.2 Floating-Point Convert to Integer Model

The following describes algorithmically the operation of the *Floating Convert to Integer* instructions.

```
If Floating Convert to Integer Word
  Then Do
    Then round_mode ← FPSCRRN
    tgt_precision ← "32-bit integer"
  End
```

```
If Floating Convert to Integer Word with round toward Zero
  Then Do
    round_mode ← 0b01
    tgt_precision ← "32-bit integer"
  End
```

```
If Floating Convert to Integer Doubleword
  Then Do
    round_mode ← FPSCRRN
    tgt_precision ← "64-bit integer"
  End
```

```
If Floating Convert to Integer Doubleword with round toward Zero
  Then Do
    round_mode ← 0b01
    tgt_precision ← "64-bit integer"
  End
```

```
If (FRB)1:11 = 2047 and (FRB)12:63 = 0 then goto Infinity Operand
If (FRB)1:11 = 2047 and (FRB)12 = 0 then goto SNaN Operand
If (FRB)1:11 = 2047 and (FRB)12 = 1 then goto QNaN Operand
If (FRB)1:11 > 1086 then goto Large Operand
```

```
sign ← (FRB)0
If (FRB)1:11 > 0 then exp ← (FRB)1:11 - 1023 /* exp - bias */
If (FRB)1:11 = 0 then exp ← -1022
If (FRB)1:11 > 0 then frac0:64 ← 0b01 || (FRB)12:63 || 110 /* normal */
If (FRB)1:11 = 0 then frac0:64 ← 0b00 || (FRB)12:63 || 110 /* denormal */
```

```
gbit || rbit || xbit ← 0b000
Do i = 1,63-exp /* do the loop 0 times if exp = 63 */
  frac0:64 || gbit || rbit || xbit ← 0b0 || frac0:64 || gbit || (rbit | xbit)
End
```

```
Round Integer(sign,frac,gbit,rbit,xbit,round_mode)
```

```
If sign = 1 then frac0:64 ← -frac0:64 + 1
```

```
If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" and frac0:64 > +231-1 then goto Large Operand
If tgt_precision = "64-bit integer" and frac0:64 > +263-1 then goto Large Operand
If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" and frac0:64 < -231 then goto Large Operand
If tgt_precision = "64-bit integer" and frac0:64 < -263 then goto Large Operand
```

```
FPSCRXX ← FPSCRXX | FPSCRFI
```

```
If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu || frac33:64 /* u is undefined hex digit */
If tgt_precision = "64-bit integer" then FRT ← frac1:64
FPSCRFPRF ← undefined
Done
```

Round Integer(sign,frac,gbit,rbit,xbit,round_mode):

```
inc ← 0
If round_mode = 0b00 then
  Do
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu11uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu011u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu01u1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
If round_mode = 0b10 then
  Do
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0u1uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0uu1u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0uuu1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
If round_mode = 0b11 then
  Do
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1u1uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1uu1u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || frac64 || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1uuu1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
frac0:64 ← frac0:64 + inc
FPSCRFR ← inc
FPSCRFI ← gbit | rbit | xbit
Return
```

Infinity Operand:

```
FPSCRFR FI VXCVI ← 0b001
If FPSCRVE = 0 then Do
  If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" then
    Do
      If sign = 0 then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu_7FFF_FFFF /* u is undefined hex digit */
      If sign = 1 then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu_8000_0000 /* u is undefined hex digit */
    End
  Else
    Do
      If sign = 0 then FRT ← 0x7FFF_FFFF_FFFF_FFFF
      If sign = 1 then FRT ← 0x8000_0000_0000_0000
    End
  End
FPSCRFPRF ← undefined
End
Done
```

SNaN Operand:

```
FPSCRFR FI VXSNaN VXCVI ← 0b0011
If FPSCRVE = 0 then
  Do
    If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu_8000_0000 /* u is undefined hex digit */
    If tgt_precision = "64-bit integer" then FRT ← 0x8000_0000_0000_0000
    FPSCRFPRF ← undefined
  End
Done
```

QNaN Operand:

```
FPSCRFR FI VXCVI ← 0b001
If FPSCRVE = 0 then
  Do
    If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu_8000_0000 /* u is undefined hex digit */
    If tgt_precision = "64-bit integer" then FRT ← 0x8000_0000_0000_0000
    FPSCRFPRF ← undefined
  End
Done
```

Large Operand:

```
FPSCRFR FI VXCVI ← 0b001
If FPSCRVE = 0 then Do
  If tgt_precision = "32-bit integer" then
    Do
      If sign = 0 then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu_7FFF_FFFF /* u is undefined hex digit */
      If sign = 1 then FRT ← 0xuuuu_uuuu_8000_0000 /* u is undefined hex digit */
    End
  Else
    Do
      If sign = 0 then FRT ← 0x7FFF_FFFF_FFFF_FFFF
      If sign = 1 then FRT ← 0x8000_0000_0000_0000
    End
  End
  FPSCRFPRF ← undefined
End
Done
```

B.3 Floating-Point Convert from Integer Model

The following describes algorithmically the operation of the *Floating Convert from Integer* instructions.

```
sign ← (FRB)0
exp ← 63
frac0:63 ← (FRB)

If frac0:63 = 0 then go to Zero Operand

If sign = 1 then frac0:63 ← ¬frac0:63 + 1

Do while frac0 = 0 /* do the loop 0 times if (FRB) = maximum negative integer */
  frac0:63 ← frac1:63 || 0b0
  exp ← exp - 1
End

Round Float(sign,exp,frac,FPSCRRN)

If sign = 1 then FPSCRFPRF ← "-normal number"
If sign = 0 then FPSCRFPRF ← "+normal number"
FRT0 ← sign
FRT1:11 ← exp + 1023 /* exp + bias */
FRT12:63 ← frac1:52
Done
```

Zero Operand:

```
FPSCRFR FI ← 0b00
FPSCRFPRF ← "+zero"
FRT ← 0x0000_0000_0000_0000
Done
```

Round Float(sign,exp,frac,round_mode):

```
inc ← 0
lsb ← frac52
gbit ← frac53
rbit ← frac54
xbit ← frac55:63 > 0
If round_mode = 0b00 then
  Do
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu11uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu011u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0bu01u1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
If round_mode = 0b10 then
  Do
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0u1uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0uu1u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b0uuu1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
If round_mode = 0b11 then
  Do
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1u1uu then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1uu1u then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
    If sign || lsb || gbit || rbit || xbit = 0b1uuu1 then inc ← 1 /* comparison ignores u bits */
  End
frac0:52 ← frac0:52 + inc
If carry_out = 1 then exp ← exp + 1
FPSCRFR ← inc
FPSCRF1 ← gbit | rbit | xbit
FPSCRXX ← FPSCRXX | FPSCRF1
Return
```

Appendix C. Assembler Extended Mnemonics

In order to make assembler language programs simpler to write and easier to understand, a set of extended mnemonics and symbols is provided that defines simple shorthand for the most frequently used forms of *Branch Conditional*, *Compare*, *Trap*, *Rotate and Shift*, and certain other instructions.

Assemblers should provide the mnemonics and symbols listed here, and may provide others.

C.1 Branch mnemonics

The mnemonics discussed in this section are variations of the *Branch Conditional* instructions.

C.1.1 BO and BI fields

The 5-bit BO field in *Branch Conditional* instructions encodes the following operations:

- Decrement CTR
- Test CTR equal to 0
- Test CTR not equal to 0
- Test condition true
- Test condition false
- Branch prediction (taken, fall through)

The 5-bit BI field in *Branch Conditional* instructions specifies which of the 32 bits in the CR represents the condition to test.

To provide an extended mnemonic for every possible combination of BO and BI fields would require $2^{10} = 1024$ mnemonics. Most of these would be only marginally useful. The following abbreviated set is intended to cover the most useful cases. Unusual cases can be coded using a basic *Branch Conditional* mnemonic (*bc*, *bclr*, *bcctr*) with the condition to be tested specified as a numeric operand.

C.1.2 Simple branch mnemonics

The mnemonics in Table 2 allow all the useful BO encodings to be specified, along with the AA (absolute address) and LK (set Link Register) fields.

Notice that there are no extended mnemonics for relative and absolute unconditional branches. For these the basic mnemonics *b*, *ba*, *bl*, and *bla* should be used.

| Branch semantics | LR not set | | | | LR set | | | |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| | <i>bc</i> Relative | <i>bca</i> Absolute | <i>bclr</i> To LR | <i>bcctr</i> To CTR | <i>bcl</i> Relative | <i>bcla</i> Absolute | <i>bclr</i> To LR | <i>bcctr</i> To CTR |
| Branch unconditionally | – | – | blr | bctr | – | – | blr | bctr |
| Branch if condition true | bt | bta | btlr | btctr | btl | btla | btlr | btctr |
| Branch if condition false | bf | bfa | bflr | bfctr | bfl | bfla | bflr | bfctr |
| Decrement CTR, branch if CTR non-zero | bdnz | bdnza | bdnzlr | – | bdnzl | bdnzla | bdnzlr | – |
| Decrement CTR, branch if CTR non-zero AND condition true | bdnzt | bdnzta | bdnztlr | – | bdnztl | bdnzta | bdnztlr | – |
| Decrement CTR, branch if CTR non-zero AND condition false | bdnzf | bdnzfa | bdnzflr | – | bdnzfl | bdnzfa | bdnzflr | – |
| Decrement CTR, branch if CTR zero | bdz | bdza | bdzlr | – | bdzl | bdzla | bdzlr | – |
| Decrement CTR, branch if CTR zero AND condition true | bdzt | bdzta | bdztlr | – | bdztl | bdzta | bdztlr | – |
| Decrement CTR, branch if CTR zero AND condition false | bdzf | bdzfa | bdzflr | – | bdzfl | bdzfa | bdzflr | – |

Instructions using one of the mnemonics in Table 2 that tests a condition specify the condition as the first operand of the instruction. The following symbols are defined for use in such an operand. They can be combined with other values in an expression that identifies the CR bit (0:31) to be tested. These symbols and expressions can also be used with the basic *Branch Conditional* mnemonics, to specify the BI field.

| Symbol | Value | Meaning |
|--------|-------|---|
| lt | 0 | Less than |
| gt | 1 | Greater than |
| eq | 2 | Equal |
| so | 3 | Summary overflow |
| un | 3 | Unordered (after floating-point comparison) |
| cr0 | 0 | CR field 0 |
| cr1 | 1 | CR field 1 |
| cr2 | 2 | CR field 2 |
| cr3 | 3 | CR field 3 |
| cr4 | 4 | CR field 4 |
| cr5 | 5 | CR field 5 |
| cr6 | 6 | CR field 6 |
| cr7 | 7 | CR field 7 |

Examples

- Decrement CTR and branch if it is still non-zero (closure of a loop controlled by a count loaded into CTR).
`bdnz target` (equivalent to: `bc 16,0,target`)
- Same as (1) but branch only if CTR is non zero and condition in CR0 is "equal."
`bdnzt eq,target` (equivalent to: `bc 8,2,target`)
- Same as (2), but "equal" condition is in CR5.
`bdnzt 4*cr5+eq,target` (equivalent to: `bc 8,22,target`)
- Branch if bit 27 of CR is false.

bf 27,target (equivalent to: bc 4,27,target)

5. Same as (4), but set the Link Register. This is a form of conditional "call."

bfl 27,target (equivalent to: bcl 4,27,target)

C.1.3 Branch mnemonics incorporating conditions

The mnemonics defined in Table 3 are variations of the "branch if condition true" and "branch if condition false" BO encodings, with the most useful values of BI represented in the mnemonic rather than specified as a numeric operand.

A standard set of codes has been adopted for the most common combinations of branch conditions.

| Code | Meaning |
|------|---|
| lt | Less than |
| le | Less than or equal |
| eq | Equal |
| ge | Greater than or equal |
| gt | Greater than |
| nl | Not less than |
| ne | Not equal |
| ng | Not greater than |
| so | Summary overflow |
| ns | Not summary overflow |
| un | Unordered (after floating-point comparison) |
| nu | Not unordered (after floating-point comparison) |

These codes are reflected in the mnemonics shown in Table 3.

| Branch semantics | LR not set | | | | LR set | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | <i>bc</i> Relative | <i>bca</i> Absolute | <i>bclr</i> To LR | <i>bcctr</i> To CTR | <i>bcl</i> Relative | <i>bcla</i> Absolute | <i>bclrl</i> To LR | <i>bcctrl</i> To CTR |
| Branch if less than | blt | blta | bltlr | bltctr | bltl | bltla | bltlrl | bltctrl |
| Branch if less than or equal | ble | blea | blelr | blectr | blel | blela | blelrl | blectrl |
| Branch if equal | beq | beqa | beqlr | beqctr | beql | beqla | beqlrl | beqctrl |
| Branch if greater than or equal | bge | bgea | bgelr | bgectr | bgel | bgela | bgelrl | bgectrl |
| Branch if greater than | bgt | bgta | bgtlr | bgtctr | bgtl | bgtla | bgtlrl | bgtctrl |
| Branch if not less than | bnl | bnla | bnllr | bnlctr | bnll | bnlla | bnllrl | bnlctrl |
| Branch if not equal | bne | bnea | bnelr | bnectr | bnel | bnela | bnelrl | bnectrl |
| Branch if not greater than | bng | bnga | bnglr | bngctr | bngl | bngla | bnglrl | bngctrl |
| Branch if summary overflow | bso | bsoa | bsolr | bsocctr | bsol | bsola | bsolrl | bsocctrl |
| Branch if not summary overflow | bns | bnsa | bnslr | bnsctr | bnsl | bnsla | bnsrl | bnsctrl |
| Branch if unordered | bun | buna | bunlr | bunctr | bunl | bunla | bunlrl | bunctrl |
| Branch if not unordered | bnu | bnua | bnulr | bnuctr | bnul | bnula | bnulrl | bnuctrl |

Instructions using the mnemonics in Table 3 specify the Condition Register field in an optional first operand. If the CR field being tested is CR0, this operand need not be specified. Otherwise, one of the CR field symbols listed earlier is coded as the first operand.

Examples

1. Branch if CR0 reflects condition “not equal.”

`bne target` (equivalent to: `bc 4,2,target`)

2. Same as (1), but condition is in CR3.

`bne cr3,target` (equivalent to: `bc 4,14,target`)

3. Branch to an absolute target if CR4 specifies “greater than,” setting the Link Register. This is a form of conditional “call.”

`bgtla cr4,target` (equivalent to: `bcla 12,17,target`)

4. Same as (3), but target address is in the Count Register.

`bgtctrl cr4` (equivalent to: `bcctrl 12,17`)

C.1.4 Branch prediction

In *Branch Conditional* instructions that are not always taken, the low-order bit (“y” bit) of the BO field provides a hint about whether the branch is likely to be taken: see the discussion of the “y” bit in Section 2.4.1, Branch Instructions, on page 19.

Assemblers should set this bit to 0 unless otherwise directed. This default action means that:

- A *Branch Conditional* with a negative displacement field is predicted to be taken.
- A *Branch Conditional* with a non-negative displacement field is predicted *not* to be taken (fall through).
- A *Branch Conditional* to an address in the LR or CTR is predicted *not* to be taken (fall through).

If the likely outcome (branch or fall through) of a given *Branch Conditional* instruction is known, a suffix can be added to the mnemonic that tells the assembler how to set the “y” bit.

+ Predict branch to be taken.

– Predict branch *not* to be taken.

Such a suffix can be added to any *Branch Conditional* mnemonic, either basic or extended.

For relative and absolute branches (`bc[f][a]`), the setting of the “y” bit depends on whether the displacement field is negative or non-negative. For negative displacement fields, coding the suffix “+” causes the bit to be set to 0, and coding the suffix “–” causes the bit to be set to 1. For non-negative displacement fields, coding the suffix “+” causes the bit to be set to 1, and coding the suffix “–” causes the bit to be set to 0.

For branches to an address in the LR or CTR (`bclr[f]` or `bcctr[f]`), coding the suffix “+” causes the “y” bit to be set to 1, and coding the suffix “–” causes the bit to be set to 0.

Examples

1. Branch if CR0 reflects condition “less than,” specifying that the branch should be predicted to be taken.

`blt+ target`

2. Same as (1), but target address is in the Link Register and the branch should be predicted not to be taken.

`bltlr–`

C.2 Condition Register logical mnemonics

The *Condition Register Logical* instructions can be used to set (to 1), clear (to 0), copy, or invert a given Condition Register bit. Extended mnemonics are provided that allow these operations to be coded easily.

| Table 4. Condition Register logical mnemonics | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------|
| Operation | Extended mnemonic | Equivalent to |
| Condition Register set | crset bx | creqv bx,bx,bx |
| Condition Register clear | crclr bx | crxor bx,bx,bx |
| Condition Register move | crmove bx,by | cror bx,by,by |
| Condition Register not | crnot bx,by | crnor bx,by,by |

Examples

- Set CR bit 25.

```
crset 25
```

(equivalent to: `creqv 25,25,25`)
- Clear the SO bit of CR0.

```
crclr so
```

(equivalent to: `crxor 3,3,3`)
- Same as (2), but SO bit to be cleared is in CR3.

```
crclr 4*cr3+so
```

(equivalent to: `crxor 15,15,15`)
- Invert the EQ bit.

```
crnot eq,eq
```

(equivalent to: `crnor 2,2,2`)
- Same as (4), but EQ bit to be inverted is in CR4, and the result is to be placed into the EQ bit of CR5.

```
crnot 4*cr5+eq,4*cr4+eq
```

(equivalent to: `crnor 22,18,18`)

C.3 Subtract mnemonics

C.3.1 Subtract Immediate

Although there is no “Subtract Immediate” instruction, its effect can be achieved by using an *Add Immediate* instruction with the immediate operand negated. Extended mnemonics are provided that include this negation, making the intent of the computation clearer.

```
subi Rx,Ry,value      (equivalent to: addi Rx,Ry,-value)
subis Rx,Ry,value     (equivalent to: addis Rx,Ry,-value)
subic Rx,Ry,value     (equivalent to: addic Rx,Ry,-value)
subic. Rx,Ry,value    (equivalent to: addic. Rx,Ry,-value)
```

C.3.2 Subtract

The *Subtract From* instructions subtract the second operand (RA) from the third (RB). Extended mnemonics are provided that use the more “normal” order, in which the third operand is subtracted from the second. Both these mnemonics can be coded with a final “o” and/or “.” to cause the OE and/or Rc bit to be set in the underlying instruction.

```
sub Rx,Ry,Rz          (equivalent to: subf Rx,Rz,Ry)
subc Rx,Ry,Rz         (equivalent to: subfc Rx,Rz,Ry)
```

C.4 Compare mnemonics

The L field in the fixed-point *Compare* instructions controls whether the operands are treated as 64-bit quantities (L=1) or as 32-bit quantities (L=0). Extended mnemonics are provided that represent the L value in the mnemonic rather than requiring it to be coded as a numeric operand.

The BF field can be omitted if the result of the comparison is to be placed in CR Field 0. Otherwise the target CR field must be specified as the first operand, using one of the CR field symbols listed above or an explicit field number.

Note: The basic *Compare* mnemonics of PowerPC are the same as those of Power, but the Power instructions have three operands while the PowerPC instructions have four. The assembler will recognize a basic *Compare* mnemonic with three operands as the Power form, and will generate the instruction with L=0. (Thus the assembler must require that the BF field, which normally can be omitted when CR Field 0 is the target, be specified explicitly if L is.)

C.4.1 Doubleword comparisons

These operations are available only in 64-bit implementations.

| Operation | Extended mnemonic | Equivalent to |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Compare doubleword immediate | <code>cmpdi bf,ra,si</code> | <code>cmpi bf,1,ra,si</code> |
| Compare doubleword | <code>cmpd bf,ra,rb</code> | <code>cmp bf,1,ra,rb</code> |
| Compare logical doubleword immediate | <code>cmpldi bf,ra,ui</code> | <code>cmpli bf,1,ra,ui</code> |
| Compare logical doubleword | <code>cmpld bf,ra,rb</code> | <code>cmpl bf,1,ra,rb</code> |

Examples

1. Compare logical (unsigned) 64 bits in register Rx with immediate value 100 and place result in CR0.
`cmpldi Rx,100` (equivalent to: `cmpli 0,1,Rx,100`)
2. Same as (1), but place results in CR4.
`cmpldi cr4,Rx,100` (equivalent to: `cmpli 4,1,Rx,100`)
3. Compare registers Rx and Ry as signed 64-bit quantities and place result in CR0.
`cmpd Rx,Ry` (equivalent to: `cmp 0,1,Rx,Ry`)

C.4.2 Word comparisons

These operations are available in all implementations.

| Operation | Extended mnemonic | Equivalent to |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Compare word immediate | <code>cmpwi bf,ra,si</code> | <code>cmpi bf,0,ra,si</code> |
| Compare word | <code>cmpw bf,ra,rb</code> | <code>cmp bf,0,ra,rb</code> |
| Compare logical word immediate | <code>cmplwi bf,ra,ui</code> | <code>cmpli bf,0,ra,ui</code> |
| Compare logical word | <code>cmplw bf,ra,rb</code> | <code>cmpl bf,0,ra,rb</code> |

Examples

1. Compare 32 bits in register Rx with immediate value 100 and place result in CR0.
`cmpwi Rx,100` (equivalent to: `cmpi 0,0,Rx,100`)
2. Same as (1), but place results in CR4.
`cmpwi cr4,Rx,100` (equivalent to: `cmpi 4,0,Rx,100`)
3. Compare registers Rx and Ry as logical 32-bit quantities and place result in CR0.
`cmplw Rx,Ry` (equivalent to: `cmpl 0,0,Rx,Ry`)

C.5 Trap mnemonics

The mnemonics defined in Table 7 are variations of the *Trap* instructions, with the most useful values of TO represented in the mnemonic rather than specified as a numeric operand.

A standard set of codes has been adopted for the most common combinations of trap conditions.

| Code | Meaning | TO encoding | < > = ^u <sup>u >sup>u |
|--------|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| lt | Less than | 16 | 1 0 0 0 0 |
| le | Less than or equal | 20 | 1 0 1 0 0 |
| eq | Equal | 4 | 0 0 1 0 0 |
| ge | Greater than or equal | 12 | 0 1 1 0 0 |
| gt | Greater than | 8 | 0 1 0 0 0 |
| nl | Not less than | 12 | 0 1 1 0 0 |
| ne | Not equal | 24 | 1 1 0 0 0 |
| ng | Not greater than | 20 | 1 0 1 0 0 |
| llt | Logically less than | 2 | 0 0 0 1 0 |
| lle | Logically less than or equal | 6 | 0 0 1 1 0 |
| lge | Logically greater than or equal | 5 | 0 0 1 0 1 |
| lgt | Logically greater than | 1 | 0 0 0 0 1 |
| lnl | Logically not less than | 5 | 0 0 1 0 1 |
| lng | Logically not greater than | 6 | 0 0 1 1 0 |
| (none) | Unconditional | 31 | 1 1 1 1 1 |

These codes are reflected in the mnemonics shown in Table 7.

| Trap semantics | 64-bit comparison | | 32-bit comparison | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| | <i>tdi</i> Immediate | <i>td</i> Register | <i>twi</i> Immediate | <i>tw</i> Register |
| Trap unconditionally | — | — | — | trap |
| Trap if less than | tdlti | tdlt | twlti | twlt |
| Trap if less than or equal | tdlei | tdle | twlei | twle |
| Trap if equal | tdeqi | tdeq | tweqi | tweq |
| Trap if greater than or equal | tdgei | tdge | twgei | twge |
| Trap if greater than | tdgti | tdgt | twgti | twgt |
| Trap if not less than | tdnli | tdnl | twnli | twnl |
| Trap if not equal | tdnei | tdne | twnei | twne |
| Trap if not greater than | tdngi | tdng | twngi | twng |
| Trap if logically less than | tdllti | tdllt | twllti | twllt |
| Trap if logically less than or equal | tdlle | tdlle | twlle | twlle |
| Trap if logically greater than or equal | tdlgei | tdlge | twlgei | twlge |
| Trap if logically greater than | tdlgti | tdlgt | twlgti | twlgt |
| Trap if logically not less than | tdlnli | tdlnl | twlnli | twlnl |
| Trap if logically not greater than | tdlngi | tdlng | twlngi | twlng |

Examples

1. Trap if 64-bit register Rx is not 0.

tdnei Rx,0

(equivalent to: tdi 24,Rx,0)

2. Same as (1), but comparison is to register Ry.

tdne Rx,Ry (equivalent to: td 24,Rx,Ry)

3. Trap if register Rx, considered as a 32-bit quantity, is logically greater than 0x7FF.

twlgti Rx,0x7FF (equivalent to: twi 1,Rx,0x7FF)

4. Trap unconditionally.

trap (equivalent to: tw 31,0,0)

C.6 Rotate and Shift mnemonics

The *Rotate and Shift* instructions provide powerful and general ways to manipulate register contents, but can be difficult to understand. Extended mnemonics are provided that allow some of the simpler operations to be coded easily.

Mnemonics are provided for the following types of operation:

Extract Select a field of n bits starting at bit position b in the source register; right or left justify this field in the target register; clear all other bits of the target register to 0.

Insert Select a left-justified or right-justified field of n bits in the source register; insert this field starting at bit position b of the target register; leave other bits of the target register unchanged. (No extended mnemonic is provided for insertion of a left-justified field when operating on doublewords, because such an insertion requires more than one instruction.)

Rotate Rotate the contents of a register right or left n bits without masking.

Shift Shift the contents of a register right or left n bits, clearing vacated bits to 0 (logical shift).

Clear Clear the leftmost or rightmost n bits of a register to 0.

Clear left and shift left

Clear the leftmost b bits of a register, then shift the register left by n bits. This operation can be used to scale a (known non-negative) array index by the width of an element.

C.6.1 Operations on doublewords

These operations are available only in 64-bit implementations. All these mnemonics can be coded with a final "." to cause the Rc bit to be set in the underlying instruction.

Table 8. Doubleword rotate and shift mnemonics

| Operation | Extended mnemonic | Equivalent to |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| Extract and left justify immediate | extldi ra,rs,n,b | rldicr ra,rs,b,n-1 |
| Extract and right justify immediate | extrdi ra,rs,n,b | rldicl ra,rs,b+n,64-n |
| Insert from right immediate | insrdi ra,rs,n,b | rldimi ra,rs,64-(b+n),b |
| Rotate left immediate | rotldi ra,rs,n | rldicl ra,rs,n,0 |
| Rotate right immediate | rotrdi ra,rs,n | rldicl ra,rs,64-n,0 |
| Rotate left | rotld ra,rs,rb | rldcl ra,rs,rb,0 |
| Shift left immediate | sldi ra,rs,n | rldicr ra,rs,n,63-n |
| Shift right immediate | srldi ra,rs,n | rldicl ra,rs,64-n,n |
| Clear left immediate | clrldi ra,rs,n | rldicl ra,rs,0,n |
| Clear right immediate | clrrdi ra,rs,n | rldicr ra,rs,0,63-n |
| Clear left and shift left immediate | clrslldi ra,rs,b,n | rldic ra,rs,n,b-n |

Examples

1. Extract the sign bit (bit 0) of register Ry and place the result right-justified into register Rx.

`extrdi Rx,Ry,1,0` (equivalent to: `rldicl Rx,Ry,1,63`)

2. Insert the bit extracted in (1) into the sign bit (bit 0) of register Rz.

`insrdi Rz,Rx,1,0` (equivalent to: `rldimi Rz,Rx,63,0`)

3. Shift the contents of register Rx left 8 bits.

`sldi Rx,Rx,8` (equivalent to: `rldicr Rx,Rx,8,55`)

4. Clear the high-order 32 bits of Ry and place the result into Rx.

`clrldi Rx,Ry,32` (equivalent to: `rldicl Rx,Ry,0,32`)

C.6.2 Operations on words

These operations are available in all implementations. All these mnemonics can be coded with a final "." to cause the Rc bit to be set in the underlying instruction.

| Operation | Extended mnemonic | Equivalent to |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Extract and left justify immediate | <code>extlwi ra,rs,n,b</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,b,0,n-1</code> |
| Extract and right justify immediate | <code>extrwi ra,rs,n,b</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,b+n,32-n,31</code> |
| Insert from left immediate | <code>inslwi ra,rs,n,b</code> | <code>rlwimi ra,rs,32-b,b,(b+n)-1</code> |
| Insert from right immediate | <code>insrwi ra,rs,n,b</code> | <code>rlwimi ra,rs,32-(b+n),b,(b+n)-1</code> |
| Rotate left immediate | <code>rotlwi ra,rs,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,n,0,31</code> |
| Rotate right immediate | <code>rotrwi ra,rs,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,32-n,0,31</code> |
| Rotate left | <code>rotlw ra,rs,rb</code> | <code>rlwnm ra,rs,rb,0,31</code> |
| Shift left immediate | <code>slwi ra,rs,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,n,0,31-n</code> |
| Shift right immediate | <code>srwi ra,rs,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,32-n,n,31</code> |
| Clear left immediate | <code>clrlwi ra,rs,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,0,n,31</code> |
| Clear right immediate | <code>clrrwi ra,rs,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,0,0,31-n</code> |
| Clear left and shift left immediate | <code>clrlslwi ra,rs,b,n</code> | <code>rlwinm ra,rs,n,b-n,31-n</code> |

Examples

1. Extract the sign bit (bit 32) of register Ry and place the result right-justified into register Rx.

`extrwi Rx,Ry,1,0` (equivalent to: `rlwinm Rx,Ry,1,31,31`)

2. Insert the bit extracted in (1) into the sign bit (bit 32) of register Rz.

`insrwi Rz,Rx,1,0` (equivalent to: `rlwimi Rz,Rx,31,0,0`)

3. Shift the contents of register Rx left 8 bits, clearing the high-order 32 bits.

`slwi Rx,Rx,8` (equivalent to: `rlwinm Rx,Rx,8,0,23`)

4. Clear the high-order 16 bits of the low-order 32 bits of Ry and place the result into Rx, clearing the high-order 32 bits of Rx.

`clrlwi Rx,Ry,16` (equivalent to: `rlwinm Rx,Ry,0,16,31`)

C.7 Move To/From Special Purpose Register mnemonics

The *mtspr* and *mfspr* instructions specify a Special Purpose Register (SPR) as a numeric operand. Extended mnemonics are provided that represent the SPR in the mnemonic rather than requiring it to be coded as an operand. Also shown here are extended mnemonics for Move From Time Base and Move From Time Base Upper, which are variants of the *mftb* instruction rather than of *mfspir*.

Note: *mftb* serves as both a basic and an extended mnemonic. The assembler will recognize an *mftb* mnemonic with two operands as the basic form, and an *mftb* mnemonic with one operand as the extended form.

| Special Purpose Register | Move To SPR | | Move From SPR ¹ | |
|---|--------------|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| | Extended | Equivalent to | Extended | Equivalent to |
| Fixed Point Exception Register | mtxer Rx | mtspr 1,Rx | mfxer Rx | mfspir Rx,1 |
| Link Register | mlr Rx | mtspr 8,Rx | mflr Rx | mfspir Rx,8 |
| Count Register | mtctr Rx | mtspr 9,Rx | mfctr Rx | mfspir Rx,9 |
| Data Storage Interrupt Status Register | mtdisr Rx | mtspr 18,Rx | mfdisir Rx | mfspir Rx,18 |
| Data Address Register | mtdar Rx | mtspr 19,Rx | mfdar Rx | mfspir Rx,19 |
| Decrementer | mtdec Rx | mtspr 22,Rx | mfdec Rx | mfspir Rx,22 |
| Storage Description Register 1 | mtsdr1 Rx | mtspr 25,Rx | mfsdr1 Rx | mfspir Rx,25 |
| Save/Restore Register 0 | mtsrr0 Rx | mtspr 26,Rx | mfsrr0 Rx | mfspir Rx,26 |
| Save/Restore Register 1 | mtsrr1 Rx | mtspr 27,Rx | mfsrr1 Rx | mfspir Rx,27 |
| Special Purpose Registers G0 through G3 | mtsprg n,Rx | mtspr 272 + n,Rx | mfsprg Rx,n | mfspir Rx,272 + n |
| Address Space Register | mtasr Rx | mtspr 280,Rx | mfasr Rx | mfspir Rx,280 |
| External Access Register | mtear Rx | mtspr 282,Rx | mfear Rx | mfspir Rx,282 |
| Time Base [Lower] | mttbl Rx | mtspr 284,Rx | mftb Rx | mftb Rx,268 |
| Time Base Upper | mttbu Rx | mtspr 285,Rx | mftbu Rx | mftb Rx,269 |
| Processor Version Register | — | — | mfpvr Rx | mfspir Rx,287 |
| IBAT Registers, Upper | mtibatu n,Rx | mtspr 528 + 2×n,Rx | mfibatu Rx,n | mfspir Rx,528 + 2×n |
| IBAT Registers, Lower | mtibatl n,Rx | mtspr 529 + 2×n,Rx | mfibatl Rx,n | mfspir Rx,529 + 2×n |
| DBAT Registers, Upper | mtdbatu n,Rx | mtspr 536 + 2×n,Rx | mfdbatu Rx,n | mfspir Rx,536 + 2×n |
| DBAT Registers, Lower | mtdbatl n,Rx | mtspr 537 + 2×n,Rx | mfdbatl Rx,n | mfspir Rx,537 + 2×n |

¹Except for *mftb* and *mftbu*.

Examples

1. Copy the contents of the low-order 32 bits of Rx to the XER.

mtxer Rx (equivalent to: mtspr 1,Rx)

2. Copy the contents of the LR to register Rx.

mflr Rx (equivalent to: mfspir Rx,8)

3. Copy the contents of Rx to the CTR.

mtctr Rx (equivalent to: mtspr 9,Rx)

C.8 Miscellaneous mnemonics

No-op

Many PowerPC instructions can be coded in a way such that, effectively, no operation is performed. An extended mnemonic is provided for the “preferred” form of no-op. If an implementation performs any type of run-time optimization related to no-ops, the preferred form is the no-op that will trigger this.

`nop` (equivalent to: `ori 0,0,0`)

Load Immediate

The *addi* and *addis* instructions can be used to load an immediate value into a register. Extended mnemonics are provided to convey the idea that no addition is being performed but merely data movement (from the immediate field of the instruction to a register).

Load a 16-bit signed immediate value into register Rx:

`li Rx,value` (equivalent to: `addi Rx,0,value`)

Load a 16-bit signed immediate value, shifted left by 16 bits, into register Rx:

`lis Rx,value` (equivalent to: `addis Rx,0,value`)

Load Address

This mnemonic permits computing the value of a base-displacement operand, using the *addi* instruction which normally requires separate register and immediate operands.

`la Rx,D(Ry)` (equivalent to: `addi Rx,Ry,D`)

The *la* mnemonic is useful for obtaining the address of a variable specified by name, allowing the assembler to supply the base register number and compute the displacement. If the variable *v* is located at offset *Dv* bytes from the address in register *Rv*, and the assembler has been told to use register *Rv* as a base for references to the data structure containing *v*, then the following line causes the address of *v* to be loaded into register *Rx*.

`la Rx,v` (equivalent to: `addi Rx,Rv,Dv`)

Move Register

Several PowerPC instructions can be coded in a way such that they simply copy the contents of one register to another. An extended mnemonic is provided to convey the idea that no computation is being performed but merely data movement (from one register to another).

The following instruction copies the contents of register *Ry* into register *Rx*. This mnemonic can be coded with a final “.” to cause the *Rc* bit to be set in the underlying instruction.

`mr Rx,Ry` (equivalent to: `or Rx,Ry,Ry`)

Complement Register

Several PowerPC instructions can be coded in a way such that they complement the contents of one register and place the result into another register. An extended mnemonic is provided that allows this operation to be coded easily.

The following instruction complements the contents of register *Ry* and places the result into register *Rx*. This mnemonic can be coded with a final “.” to cause the *Rc* bit to be set in the underlying instruction.

`not Rx,Ry` (equivalent to: `nor Rx,Ry,Ry`)

Appendix D. Little-Endian Byte Ordering

It is computed that eleven Thousand Persons have, at several Times, suffered Death, rather than submit to break their Eggs at the smaller End. Many hundred large Volumes

have been published upon this Controversy

Jonathan Swift, *Gulliver's Travels*

D.1 Byte Ordering

If scalars (individual data items and instructions) were indivisible, then there would be no such concept as "byte ordering." It is meaningless to talk of the "order" of bits or groups of bits within the smallest addressable unit of storage, because nothing can be observed about such order. Only when scalars, which the programmer and processor regard as indivisible quantities, can be made up of more than one addressable unit of storage does the question of "order" arise.

For a machine in which the smallest addressable unit of storage is the 64-bit doubleword, there is no question of the ordering of "bytes" within doublewords. All transfers of individual scalars to and from storage (e.g., between registers and storage) are of doublewords, and the address of the "byte" containing the high-order 8 bits of a scalar is no different from the address of a "byte" containing any other part of the scalar.

For PowerPC, as for most computers currently available, the smallest addressable unit of storage is the 8-bit byte. Many scalars are halfwords, words, or doublewords, which consist of groups of bytes. When a word-length scalar is moved from a register to storage, the scalar occupies four consecutive byte addresses. It thus becomes meaningful to discuss the order of the byte addresses with respect to the value of the scalar: which byte contains the highest-order 8 bits of the scalar, which byte contains the next-highest-order 8 bits, and so on.

Given a scalar that spans multiple bytes, the choice of byte ordering is essentially arbitrary. There are $4! = 24$ ways to specify the ordering of four bytes

within a word, but only two of these orderings are sensible:

- The ordering that assigns the lowest address to the highest-order ("leftmost") 8 bits of the scalar, the next sequential address to the next-highest-order 8 bits, and so on. This is called *Big-Endian* because the "big end" of the scalar, considered as a binary number, comes first in storage. IBM RISC System/6000, IBM System/370, and Motorola 680x0 are examples of computers using this byte ordering.
- The ordering that assigns the lowest address to the lowest-order ("rightmost") 8 bits of the scalar, the next sequential address to the next-lowest-order 8 bits, and so on. This is called *Little-Endian* because the "little end" of the scalar, considered as a binary number, comes first in storage. DEC VAX and Intel x86 are examples of computers using this byte ordering.

D.2 Structure Mapping Examples

Figure 72 on page 234 shows an example of a C language structure *s* containing an assortment of scalars and one character string. The value assumed to be in each structure element is shown in hex in the C comments; these values are used below to show how the bytes making up each structure element are mapped into storage.

C structure mapping rules permit the use of padding (skipped bytes) in order to align the scalars on desirable boundaries. Figures 73 and 74 show each scalar aligned at its natural boundary. This introduces padding of 4 bytes between *a* and *b*, one byte

```

struct {
    int    a;      /* 0x1112_1314          word           */
    double b;     /* 0x2122_2324_2526_2728 doubleword     */
    char * c;     /* 0x3132_3334          word           */
    char  d[7];  /* 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G' array of bytes */
    short e;     /* 0x5152              halfword      */
    int   f;     /* 0x6162_6364          word           */
} s;

```

Figure 72. C structure 's', showing values of elements

between d and e, and two bytes between e and f. The same amount of padding is present for both Big-Endian and Little-Endian mappings.

D.2.1 Big-Endian mapping

The Big-Endian mapping of structure s is shown in Figure 73. Addresses are shown in hex at the left of each doubleword, and in small figures below each byte. The content of each byte, as indicated in the C example in Figure 72, is shown in hex (as characters for the elements of the string).

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| 00 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | | | | | |
| | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | |
| 08 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | |
| | 08 | 09 | 0A | 0B | 0C | 0D | 0E | 0F | |
| 10 | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 'A' | 'B' | 'C' | 'D' | |
| | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | |
| 18 | 'E' | 'F' | 'G' | | 51 | 52 | | | |
| | 18 | 19 | 1A | 1B | 1C | 1D | 1E | 1F | |
| 20 | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | | | | | |
| | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | | | | | |

Figure 73. Big-Endian mapping of structure 's'

D.2.2 Little-Endian mapping

The same structure s is shown mapped Little-Endian in Figure 74. Doublewords are shown laid out from right to left, which is the common way of showing storage maps for Little-Endian machines.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| | | | | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | | |
| | 07 | 06 | 05 | 04 | 03 | 02 | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 08 |
| | 0F | 0E | 0D | 0C | 0B | 0A | 09 | 08 | |
| | 'D' | 'C' | 'B' | 'A' | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 10 |
| | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 | |
| | | | 51 | 52 | | 'G' | 'F' | 'E' | 18 |
| | 1F | 1E | 1D | 1C | 1B | 1A | 19 | 18 | |
| | | | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | | | 20 |
| | | | 23 | 22 | 21 | 20 | | | |

Figure 74. Little-Endian mapping of structure 's'

D.3 PowerPC Byte Ordering

The body of each of the three PowerPC Architecture Books, Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1, Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141, are written as if a PowerPC system runs only in Big-Endian mode. In fact, a PowerPC system can instead run in Little-Endian mode, in which the instruction set behaves as if the byte ordering were Little-Endian, and can change Endian mode dynamically. The remainder of this appendix describes how the mode is controlled, and how running in Little-Endian mode differs from running in Big-Endian mode.

D.3.1 Controlling PowerPC Byte Ordering

The Endian mode of a PowerPC processor is controlled by two bits: the LE (Little-Endian Mode) bit specifies the current mode of the processor, and the ILE (Interrupt Little-Endian Mode) bit specifies the mode that the processor enters when the system error handler is invoked. For both bits, a value of 0 specifies Big-Endian mode and a value of 1 specifies Little-Endian mode. The location of these bits and the requirements for altering them are described in Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.

When a PowerPC system comes up after power-on-reset, Big-Endian mode is in effect (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). Thereafter, methods described in Book III can be used to change the mode, as can both invoking the system error handler and returning from the system error handler.

Programming Note

For a discussion of software synchronization requirements when altering the LE and ILE bits, please refer to the appendix entitled "Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers."

D.3.2 PowerPC Little-Endian Byte Ordering

One might expect that a PowerPC system running in Little-Endian mode would have to perform a 2-way, 4-way, or 8-way byte swap when transferring a halfword, word, or doubleword to or from storage, e.g., when transferring data between storage and a general purpose or floating-point register, when fetching instructions, and when transferring data between storage and an Input/Output (I/O) device. PowerPC systems do not do such swapping, but instead achieve the effect of Little-Endian byte ordering by modifying the low-order three bits of the effective address (EA) as described below. Individual scalars actually appear in storage in Big-Endian byte order.

The modification affects only the addresses presented to the storage subsystem (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). All effective addresses in architecturally defined registers, as well as the Current Instruction Address (CIA) and Next Instruction Address (NIA), are independent of Endian mode. For example:

- The effective address placed into the Link Register by a *Branch* instruction with LK=1 is equal to the CIA of the *Branch* instruction + 4;
- The effective address placed into RA by a *Load/Store with Update* instruction is the value computed as described in the instruction description; and
- The effective addresses placed into System Registers when the system error handler is invoked (e.g., SRR0, DAR: see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) are those that were computed or would have been computed by the interrupted program.

The modification is independent of the address translation mechanism, and thus, e.g., applies regardless of whether translation is enabled or disabled, whether the accessed storage is in an ordinary storage segment, a direct-store segment, or a BAT area, etc. (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). The actual transfer of data and instructions to and from storage is unaffected (and thus unencumbered by multiplexors for byte swapping).

The modification of the low-order three bits of the effective address in Little-Endian mode is done as follows, for access to an individual aligned scalar. (Alignment is as determined before this modification.) Access to an individual unaligned scalar or to multiple scalars is described in subsequent sections, as is access to certain architecturally defined data in storage, data in caches (see Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), etc.

In Little-Endian mode, the effective address is computed in the same way as in Big-Endian mode. Then, in Little-Endian mode only, the low-order three bits of the effective address are exclusive-ored with a three-bit value that depends on the length of the operand (1, 2, 4, or 8 bytes), as shown in Table 11. This modified effective address is then passed to the storage subsystem, and data of the specified length are transferred to or from the addressed (as modified) storage location(s).

| Data length (bytes) | EA modification: |
|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 | XOR with 0b111 |
| 2 | XOR with 0b110 |
| 4 | XOR with 0b100 |
| 8 | (no change) |

Table 11. PowerPC Little-Endian, effective address modification for individual aligned scalars

The effective address modification makes it appear to the processor that individual aligned scalars are stored Little-Endian, while in fact they are stored Big-Endian but in different bytes within doublewords from the order in which they are stored in Big-Endian mode.

For example, in Little-Endian mode structure *s* would be placed in storage as follows, from the point of view of the storage subsystem (i.e., after the effective address modification described above).

| | | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| 00 | | | | | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 |
| 08 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| | 08 | 09 | 0A | 0B | 0C | 0D | 0E | 0F |
| 10 | 'D' | 'C' | 'B' | 'A' | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 |
| | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | | | 51 | 52 | | 'G' | 'F' | 'E' |
| | 18 | 19 | 1A | 1B | 1C | 1D | 1E | 1F |
| 20 | | | | | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 |
| | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |

Figure 75. PowerPC Little-Endian, structure 's' in storage subsystem

Figure 75 is identical to Figure 74 on page 234 except that the byte numbers within each doubleword are reversed. (This identity is in some sense an artifact of depicting storage as a sequence of doublewords. If storage is instead depicted as a sequence of words, a single byte stream, etc., then no such identity appears. However, regardless of the unit in which storage is depicted or accessed, the address of a given byte in Figure 75 differs from the address of the same byte in Figure 74 on page 234 only in the low-order three bits, and the sum of the

two 3-bit values that comprise the low-order three bits of the two addresses is equal to 7. Depicting storage as a sequence of doublewords makes this relationship easy to see.)

Because of the modification performed on effective addresses, structure *s* appears to the processor to be mapped into storage as follows when the processor is in Little-Endian mode.

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| | | | | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 00 |
| 07 | 06 | 05 | 04 | 03 | 02 | 01 | 00 | |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 08 |
| 0F | 0E | 0D | 0C | 0B | 0A | 09 | 08 | |
| 'D' | 'C' | 'B' | 'A' | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 10 |
| 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 | |
| | | 51 | 52 | | 'G' | 'F' | 'E' | 18 |
| 1F | 1E | 1D | 1C | 1B | 1A | 19 | 18 | |
| | | | | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 20 |
| | | | | 23 | 22 | 21 | 20 | |

Figure 76. PowerPC Little-Endian, structure *s* as seen by processor

Notice that, as seen by the program executing in the processor, the mapping for structure *s* is identical to the Little-Endian mapping shown in Figure 74. From a point of view outside the processor, however, the addresses of the bytes making up structure *s* are as shown in Figure 75. These addresses match neither the Big-Endian mapping of Figure 73 nor the Little-Endian mapping of Figure 74; allowance must be made for this in certain circumstances (e.g., when performing I/O: see Section D.7).

The following four sections describe in greater detail the effects of running in Little-Endian mode on accessing data storage, on fetching instructions, on explicitly accessing the caches, the Segment Lookaside Buffer, and the Translation Lookaside Buffer (see Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141), and on doing I/O.

D.4 PowerPC Data Storage Addressing in Little-Endian Mode

D.4.1 Individual Aligned Scalars

When the storage operand is aligned for any instruction in the following classes, the effective address presented to the storage subsystem is computed as described in Section D.3.2: *Fixed-Point Load* (Section 3.3.2), *Fixed-Point Store* (Section 3.3.3), *Load and Store with Byte Reversal*, *Storage Synchronization* (excluding *sync*), *Floating-Point Load*, and *Floating-Point Store* (including *stfiwx*).

The *Load and Store with Byte Reversal* instructions have the effect of loading or storing data in the opposite Endian mode from that in which the processor is running. That is, data are loaded or stored in Little-Endian order if the processor is running in Big-Endian mode, and in Big-Endian order if the processor is running in Little-Endian mode.

D.4.2 Other Scalars

As described below, the system alignment error handler may be (Section D.4.2.1, "Individual Unaligned Scalars" on page 237) or is (Section D.4.2.2, "Multiple Scalars" on page 237) invoked if attempt is made in Little-Endian mode to execute any of the instructions described in the following two subsections.

Programming Note

It is up to system software whether the system alignment error handler, when invoked because of attempt to execute any of the instructions described in this section when the processor is in Little-Endian mode, should emulate the instruction and resume the program that made the attempt, or should treat the instruction as illegal and terminate the program.

Little-Endian mode programs on PowerPC are of necessity new (not old Power binaries). It is probably best for the compiler not to generate these instructions in Little-Endian mode, since emulation would be slower than using a series of aligned *Load* or *Store* instructions, either in-line or in a subroutine. An exception is the case of accessing an individual scalar (see Section D.4.2.1) when the alignment is not known by the compiler but the operand is expected usually to be aligned: in this case it may be better for the compiler to generate the individual *Load* or *Store* instruction, and let the system alignment error handler be invoked and emulate the instruction if the operand is in fact unaligned.

D.4.2.1 Individual Unaligned Scalars

The “trick” of exclusive-oring the low order three bits of the effective address of an individual scalar does not work unless the scalar is aligned. In Little-Endian mode, PowerPC processors may cause the system alignment error handler to be invoked whenever any of the *Load* or *Store* instructions listed in Section D.4.1 is issued with an unaligned effective address, regardless of whether such an access could be handled without invoking the system alignment error handler in Big-Endian mode.

PowerPC processors are not *required* to invoke the system alignment error handler when an unaligned access is attempted in Little-Endian mode. The implementation may handle some or all such accesses without invoking the system alignment error handler, just as in Big-Endian mode. The architectural requirement is that halfwords, words, and doublewords be placed in storage such that the Little-Endian effective address of the lowest-order byte is the effective address computed by the *Load* or *Store* instruction, the Little-Endian address of the next-lowest-order byte is one greater, and so on. (*lwarx*, *ldarx*, *stwcx.*, and *stdcx.* differ somewhat from the rest of the instructions listed in Section D.4.1, in that neither the implementation nor the system alignment error handler is expected to handle these four instructions “correctly” if their operands are not aligned.)

Figure 77 shows an example of a word *w* stored at Little-Endian address 5. The word is assumed to contain the binary value 0x1112_1314.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 12 | 13 | 14 | | | | | | | 00 |
| 07 | 06 | 05 | 04 | 03 | 02 | 01 | 00 | | |
| | | | | | | | | 11 | 08 |
| 0F | 0E | 0D | 0C | 0B | 0A | 09 | 08 | | |

Figure 77. Little-Endian mapping of word ‘w’ stored at address 5

In Little-Endian mode word *w* would be placed in storage as follows, from the point of view of the storage subsystem (i.e., after the effective address modification described in Section D.3.2, “PowerPC Little-Endian Byte Ordering” on page 235).

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|
| 00 | 12 | 13 | 14 | | | | | | | |
| | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | | |
| 08 | | | | | | | | | 11 | |
| | 08 | 09 | 0A | 0B | 0C | 0D | 0E | 0F | | |

Figure 78. PowerPC Little-Endian, word ‘w’ stored at address 5, in storage subsystem

Notice that the unaligned word *w* in Figure 78 spans two doublewords. The two parts of the unaligned

word are not contiguous as seen by the storage subsystem.

An implementation may choose to support some but not all unaligned Little-Endian accesses. For example, an unaligned Little-Endian access that is contained within a single doubleword may be supported, while one that spans doublewords may cause the system alignment error handler to be invoked.

D.4.2.2 Multiple Scalars

PowerPC has two classes of instructions that handle multiple scalars, namely the *Load and Store Multiple* instructions and the *Move Assist* instructions. Because both classes of instructions potentially deal with more than one word-length scalar, neither class is amenable to the effective address modification described in Section D.3.2 (e.g., pairs of aligned words would be accessed in reverse order from what the program would expect). Attempting to execute any of these instructions in Little-Endian mode causes the system alignment error handler to be invoked.

D.4.3 Segment Tables and Page Tables

The layout of Segment Tables and Page Tables in storage (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141) is independent of Endian mode. A given byte in one of these tables must be accessed using an effective address appropriate to the mode of the executing program (e.g., the high-order byte of a Page Table entry must be accessed with an effective address ending with 0b000 in Big-Endian mode, and with an effective address ending with 0b111 in Little-Endian mode).

Engineering Note

An implementation that uses software assistance to facilitate the hardware’s searching and alteration of Segment Tables and/or Page Tables must supply two separate software routines, one for Big-Endian mode and one for Little-Endian mode.

D.5 PowerPC Instruction Storage Addressing in Little-Endian Mode

Each PowerPC instruction occupies an aligned word in storage. The processor fetches and executes instructions as if the CIA were advanced by four for each sequentially fetched instruction. When the processor is in Little-Endian mode, the effective address presented to the storage subsystem to fetch

an instruction is the value from the CIA, modified as described in Section D.3.2 for aligned word-length scalars. A Little-Endian program is thus an array of aligned Little-Endian words, with each word fetched and executed in order (discounting branches and invocations of the system error handler).

Figure 79 shows an example of a small assembly language program p.

```

loop:
    cmplwi   r5,0
    beq     done
    lwzux   r4,r5,r6
    add     r7,r7,r4
    subi    r5,r5,4
    b      loop
done:
    stw     r7,total

```

Figure 79. Assembly language program 'p'

The Big-Endian mapping for program p is shown in Figure 80 (assuming the program starts at address 0).

| | | | | | | | | |
|----|--------------------|----|----|----|--------------|----|----|----|
| 00 | loop: cmplwi r5,0 | | | | beq done | | | |
| | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 |
| 08 | lwzux r4,r5,r6 | | | | add r7,r7,r4 | | | |
| | 08 | 09 | 0A | 0B | 0C | 0D | 0E | 0F |
| 10 | subi r5,r5,4 | | | | b loop | | | |
| | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | done: stw r7,total | | | | | | | |
| | 18 | 19 | 1A | 1B | 1C | 1D | 1E | 1F |

Figure 80. Big-Endian mapping of program 'p'

The same program p is shown mapped Little-Endian in Figure 81.

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|----|----|----|-------------------|----|----|----|----|
| | beq done | | | | loop: cmplwi r5,0 | | | | 00 |
| | 07 | 06 | 05 | 04 | 03 | 02 | 01 | 00 | |
| | add r7,r7,r4 | | | | lwzux r4,r5,r6 | | | | 08 |
| | 0F | 0E | 0D | 0C | 0B | 0A | 09 | 08 | |
| | b loop | | | | subi r5,r5,4 | | | | 10 |
| | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 10 | |
| | done: stw r7,total | | | | | | | | 18 |
| | 1F | 1E | 1D | 1C | 1B | 1A | 19 | 18 | |

Figure 81. Little-Endian mapping of program 'p'

In Little-Endian mode program p would be placed in storage as follows, from the point of view of the storage subsystem (i.e., after the effective address modification described in Section D.3.2).

| | | | | | | | | |
|----|--------------|----|----|----|--------------------|----|----|----|
| 00 | beq done | | | | loop: cmplwi r5,0 | | | |
| | 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 |
| 08 | add r7,r7,r4 | | | | lwzux r4,r5,r6 | | | |
| | 08 | 09 | 0A | 0B | 0C | 0D | 0E | 0F |
| 10 | b loop | | | | subi r5,r5,4 | | | |
| | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | | | | | done: stw r7,total | | | |
| | 18 | 19 | 1A | 1B | 1C | 1D | 1E | 1F |

Figure 82. PowerPC Little-Endian, program 'p' in storage subsystem

Figure 82 is identical to Figure 81 except that the byte numbers within each doubleword are reversed. (This identity is in some sense an artifact of depicting storage as a sequence of doublewords. If storage is instead depicted as a sequence of words, a single byte stream, etc., then no such identity appears. However, regardless of the unit in which storage is depicted or accessed, the address of a given byte in Figure 82 differs from the address of the same byte in Figure 81 only in the low-order three bits, and the sum of the two 3-bit values that comprise the low-order three bits of the two addresses is equal to 7. Depicting storage as a sequence of doublewords makes this relationship easy to see.)

Each individual machine instruction appears in storage as a 32-bit integer containing the value described in the instruction description, regardless of the Endian mode. This is a consequence of the fact that individual aligned scalars are mapped in storage in Big-Endian byte order.

Notice that, as seen by the processor when executing program p, the mapping for program p is identical to the Little-Endian mapping shown in Figure 81. From a point of view outside the processor, however, the addresses of the bytes making up program p are as shown in Figure 82. These addresses match neither the Big-Endian mapping of Figure 80 nor the Little-Endian mapping of Figure 81.

All instruction effective addresses visible to an executing program are the effective addresses that are computed by that program or, in the case of the system error handler, effective addresses that were or could have been computed by the interrupted program. These effective addresses are independent of Endian mode. Examples for Little-Endian mode include the following.

- An instruction address placed in the Link Register by a *Branch* instruction with LK=1, or an instruction address saved in a System Register when the system error handler is invoked, is the effective address that a program executing in Little-Endian mode would use to access the instruction as a data word using a *Load* instruction.
- An offset in a relative *Branch* instruction (*Branch* or *Branch Conditional* with AA=0) reflects the

difference between the addresses of the branch and target instructions, using the addresses that a program executing in Little-Endian mode would use to access the instructions as data words using *Load* instructions.

- A target address in an absolute *Branch* instruction (*Branch* or *Branch Conditional* with AA=1) is the address that a program executing in Little-Endian mode would use to access the target instruction as a data word using a *Load* instruction.
- The storage locations that contain the first set of instructions executed by each kind of system error handler must be set in a manner consistent with the Endian mode in which the system error handler will be invoked. (These sets of instructions occupy architecturally defined locations: see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.) Thus if the system error handler is to be invoked in Little-Endian mode, the first set of instructions comprising each kind of system error handler must appear in storage, from the point of view of the storage subsystem (i.e., after the effective address modification described in Section D.3.2), with the pairs of instructions within each doubleword reversed from the order in which they are to be executed. (If the instructions are placed into storage by a program running in the same Endian mode as that in which the system error handler will be invoked, the appropriate order will be achieved naturally.)

Programming Note

In general, a given copy of a subroutine in storage cannot be shared between programs running in different Endian modes. This affects the sharing of subroutine libraries. (It is possible, in principle, to write a subroutine that could be thus shared — e.g., let every second instruction be a no-op — but such a subroutine is not likely to be useful in practice.)

D.6 PowerPC Cache Management and Lookaside Buffer Management Instructions in Little-Endian Mode

The instructions for explicitly accessing the caches, Segment Lookaside Buffer, and Translation Lookaside Buffer (see Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) are unaffected by Endian mode. (Identification of the block, Segment Table Entry, or Page Table Entry to be

accessed is not affected by the low-order three bits of the effective address.)

D.7 PowerPC I/O in Little Endian Mode

Input/output (I/O), such as writing the contents of a large area of storage to disk, transfers a byte stream on both Big-Endian and Little-Endian systems. For the disk transfer, the first byte of the area is written to the first byte of the disk record and so on.

For a PowerPC system running in Big-Endian mode, I/O transfers happen "naturally" because the byte that the processor sees as byte 0 is the same one that the storage subsystem sees as byte 0.

For a PowerPC system running in Little-Endian mode this is not the case, because of the modification of the low-order three bits of the effective address when the processor accesses storage. In order for I/O transfers to transfer byte streams properly, in Little-Endian mode I/O transfers must be performed as if the bytes transferred were accessed one byte at a time, using the address modification described in Section D.3.2 for single-byte scalars. This does not mean that I/O on Little-Endian PowerPC systems must use only 1-byte-wide transfers; data transfers can be as wide as desired, but the order of the bytes transferred within doublewords must appear as if the bytes were fetched or stored one byte at a time. See the System Architecture documentation for a given PowerPC system for details on the transfer width and byte ordering on that system.

However, not all I/O done on PowerPC systems is for large areas of storage as described above. I/O can be performed with certain devices merely by storing to or loading from addresses that are associated with the devices (the terms "memory-mapped I/O" and "programmed I/O" or "PIO" are used for this). For such PIO transfers, care must be taken when defining the addresses to be used, for these addresses are subject to the effective address modification shown in Table 11 on page 235. A *Load* or *Store* instruction that maps to a control register on a device may require that the value loaded or stored have its bytes reversed; if this is required, the *Load and Store with Byte Reversal* instructions can be used. Any requirement for such byte reversal for a particular I/O device register is independent of whether the PowerPC system is running in Big-Endian or Little-Endian mode.

Similarly, the address sent to an I/O device by an *eciwx* or *ecowx* instruction (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141) is subject to the effective address modification shown in Table 11 on page 235.

D.8 Origin of Indian

The terms *Big-Indian* and *Little-Indian* come from Part I, Chapter 4, of Jonathan Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*. Here is the complete passage, from the edition printed in 1734 by George Faulkner in Dublin.

... our Histories of six Thousand Moons make no Mention of any other Regions, than the two great Empires of *Lilliput* and *Blefuscu*. Which two mighty Powers have, as I was going to tell you, been engaged in a most obstinate War for six and thirty Moons past. It began upon the following Occasion. It is allowed on all Hands, that the primitive Way of breaking Eggs before we eat them, was upon the larger End: But his present Majesty's Grand-father, while he was a Boy, going to eat an Egg, and breaking it according to the ancient Practice, happened to cut one of his Fingers. Whereupon the Emperor his Father, published an Edict, commanding all his Subjects, upon great Penalties, to break the smaller End of their Eggs. The People so highly resented this Law, that our Histories tell us, there have been six Rebellions raised on that Account; wherein one Emperor lost his Life, and another his Crown. These civil Commotions were constantly fomented by the Monarchs of *Blefuscu*; and when they were quelled, the Exiles always fled for Refuge to that Empire. It is computed that eleven Thousand Persons have, at several Times, suffered Death, rather than submit to break their Eggs at the smaller End. Many hundred large Volumes have been published upon this

Controversy: But the Books of the *Big-Indians* have been long forbidden, and the whole Party rendered incapable by Law of holding Employments. During the Course of these Troubles, the Emperors of *Blefuscu* did frequently expostulate by their Ambassadors, accusing us of making a Schism in Religion, by offending against a fundamental Doctrine of our great Prophet *Lustrog*, in the fifty-fourth Chapter of the *Brundrecal*, (which is their *Alcoran*.) This, however, is thought to be a mere Strain upon the text: For the Words are these; *That all true Believers shall break their Eggs at the convenient End*: and which is the convenient End, seems, in my humble Opinion, to be left to every Man's Conscience, or at least in the Power of the chief Magistrate to determine. Now the *Big-Indian* Exiles have found so much Credit in the Emperor of *Blefuscu's* Court; and so much private Assistance and Encouragement from their Party here at home, that a bloody War has been carried on between the two Empires for six and thirty Moons with various Success; during which Time we have lost Forty Capital Ships, and a much greater Number of smaller Vessels, together with thirty thousand of our best Seamen and Soldiers; and the Damage received by the Enemy is reckoned to be somewhat greater than ours. However, they have now equipped a numerous Fleet, and are just preparing to make a Descent upon us: and his Imperial Majesty, placing great Confidence in your Valour and Strength, hath commanded me to lay this Account of his Affairs before you.

Appendix E. Programming Examples

E.1 Synchronization

This appendix gives examples of how the *Storage Synchronization* instructions can be used to emulate various synchronization primitives, and to provide more complex forms of synchronization.

These examples have a common form. After possible initialization, there is a “conditional sequence” that: begins with a *Load And Reserve* instruction; may be followed by memory accesses and/or computation that include neither a *Load And Reserve* nor a *Store Conditional*; and ends with a *Store Conditional* instruction with the same target address as the initial *Load And Reserve*. In most of the examples, failure of the *Store Conditional* causes a branch back to the *Load And Reserve* for a repeated attempt. In the examples, on the assumption that contention is low, the conditional branch is optimized for the case in which the *stwcx.* succeeds, by setting the branch-prediction bit appropriately. This is done by appending a minus sign to the instruction mnemonic, as described in Appendix C.1.4, “Branch prediction” on page 224. These examples focus on techniques for the correct modification of shared storage locations: see Note 4 in Section E.1.4 for a discussion of how the retry strategy can affect performance.

The *Load And Reserve* and *Store Conditional* instructions depend on the coherence mechanism of the system. Stores to a given location are *coherent* if they are serialized in some order, and no processor is able to observe a subset of those stores as occurring in a conflicting order. See Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117, for additional details.

Each load operation, whether ordinary or *Load And Reserve*, returns a value that has a well-defined *source*. The source can be the *Store* or *Store Conditional* instruction that wrote the value, an operation by some other mechanism that accesses storage (e.g., an I/O device), or the initial state of storage.

The function of an *atomic read/modify/write operation* is to read a location and write its next value, possibly as a function of its current value, all as a single atomic operation. We assume that locations accessed by read/modify/write operations are accessed coherently, so the concept of a value being the next in the sequence of values for a location is well defined. The conditional sequence, as defined above, provides the effect of an atomic read/modify/write operation, but not with a single atomic instruction. Let *addr* be the location that is the common target of the *Load And Reserve* and *Store Conditional* instructions. Then the guarantee the architecture makes for the successful execution of the conditional sequence is that no store into *addr* by another processor or mechanism intervened between the source of the *Load And Reserve* and the *Store Conditional*.

For each of these examples, it is assumed that a similar sequence of instructions is used by all processes requiring synchronization on the accessed data.

The examples deal with words: they can be used for doublewords by changing all *lwarx* instructions to *ldarx*, all *stwcx.* instructions to *stdcx.*, all *stw* instructions to *std*, and all *cmpw[r]* extended mnemonics to *cmpd[r]*.

Programming Note

Because the *Storage Synchronization* instructions have implementation dependencies (e.g., the granularity at which reservations are managed), they must be used with care. The operating system should provide system library programs that use these instructions to implement the high-level synchronization functions (Test and Set, Compare and Swap, etc.) needed by application programs. Application programs should use these library programs, rather than use the *Storage Synchronization* instructions directly.

E.1.1 Synchronization Primitives

The following examples show how the *lwarx* and *stwcx.* instructions can be used to emulate various synchronization primitives.

The sequences used to emulate the various primitives consist primarily of a loop using *lwarx* and *stwcx.* No additional synchronization is necessary, because the *stwcx.* will fail, setting the EQ bit to 0, if the word loaded by *lwarx* has changed before the *stwcx.* is executed: see Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117 for more detail.

Fetch and No-op

The "Fetch and No-op" primitive atomically loads the current value in a word in storage.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the word to be loaded is in GPR 3 and the data loaded are returned in GPR 4.

```
loop: lwarx  r4,0,r3    #load and reserve
      stwcx. r4,0,r3    #store old value if
                        # still reserved
      bne-   loop      #loop if lost reserv'n
```

Notes:

1. The *stwcx.*, if it succeeds, stores to the target location the same value that was loaded by the preceding *lwarx*. While the store is redundant with respect to the value in the location, its success ensures that the value loaded by the *lwarx* was the current value, i.e., that the source of the value loaded by the *lwarx* was the last store to the location that preceded the *stwcx.* in the coherence order for the location.

Fetch and Store

The "Fetch and Store" primitive atomically loads and replaces a word in storage.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the word to be loaded and replaced is in GPR 3, the new value is in GPR 4, and the old value is returned in GPR 5.

```
loop: lwarx  r5,0,r3    #load and reserve
      stwcx. r4,0,r3    #store new value if
                        # still reserved
      bne-   loop      #loop if lost reserv'n
```

Fetch and Add

The "Fetch and Add" primitive atomically increments a word in storage.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the word to be incremented is in GPR 3, the increment is in GPR 4, and the old value is returned in GPR 5.

```
loop: lwarx  r5,0,r3    #load and reserve
      add    r0,r4,r5    #increment word
      stwcx. r0,0,r3    #store new value if
                        # still reserved
      bne-   loop      #loop if lost reserv'n
```

Fetch and AND

The "Fetch and AND" primitive atomically ANDs a value into a word in storage.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the word to be ANDed is in GPR 3, the value to AND into it is in GPR 4, and the old value is returned in GPR 5.

```
loop: lwarx  r5,0,r3    #load and reserve
      and    r0,r4,r5    #AND word
      stwcx. r0,0,r3    #store new value if
                        # still reserved
      bne-   loop      #loop if lost reserv'n
```

Notes:

1. The sequence given above can be changed to perform another Boolean operation atomically on a word in storage, simply by changing the *and* instruction to the desired Boolean instruction (*or*, *xor*, etc.).

Test and Set

The "Test and Set" primitive atomically loads a word from storage, ensures that the word in storage contains a non-zero value, and sets the EQ bit of CR Field 0 according to whether the value loaded is zero.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the word to be tested is in GPR 3, the new value (non-zero) is in GPR 4, and the old value is returned in GPR 5.

```
loop: lwarx  r5,0,r3    #load and reserve
      cmpwi  r5,0        #done if word
      bne-   $+12       # not equal to 0
      stwcx. r4,0,r3    #try to store non-0
      bne-   loop      #loop if lost reserv'n
```

Notes:

1. Depending on the application, if *Test and Set* fails (i.e., sets the EQ bit of CR Field 0 to zero) it may be appropriate to re-execute the *Test and Set*.

Compare and Swap

The "Compare and Swap" primitive atomically compares a value in a register with a word in storage, if they are equal stores the value from a second register into the word in storage, if they are unequal loads the word from storage into the first register, and sets the EQ bit of CR Field 0 to indicate the result of the comparison.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the word to be tested is in GPR 3, the comparand is in

GPR 4 and the old value is returned there, and the new value is in GPR 5.

```

loop: lwarx  r6,0,r3      #load and reserve
      cmpw   r4,r6      #1st 2 operands equal?
      bne-   exit       #skip if not
      stwcx. r5,0,r3    #store new value if
                        # still reserved
      bne-   loop       #loop if lost reserv'n
exit:  mr    r4,r6      #return value from storage

```

Notes:

1. The semantics given for "Compare and Swap" above are based on those of the IBM System/370 Compare and Swap instruction. Other architectures may define a Compare and Swap instruction differently.
2. "Compare and Swap" is shown primarily for pedagogical reasons. It is useful on machines that lack the better synchronization facilities provided by *lwarx* and *stwcx*. A major weakness of a System/370-style Compare and Swap instruction is that, although the instruction itself is atomic, it checks only that the old and current values of the word being tested are equal, with the result that programs that use such a Compare and Swap to control a shared resource can err if the word has been modified and the old value subsequently restored. The sequence shown above has the same weakness.
3. In some applications the second *bne-* instruction and/or the *mr* instruction can be omitted. The *bne-* is needed only if the application requires that if the EQ bit of CR Field 0 on exit indicates "not equal" then (r4) and (r6) are in fact not equal. The *mr* is needed only if the application requires that if the comparands are not equal then the word from storage is loaded into the register with which it was compared (rather than into a third register). If either or both of these instructions is omitted, the resulting Compare and Swap does not obey System/370 semantics.
4. Depending on the application, if *Compare and Swap* fails (i.e., sets the EQ bit of CR Field 0 to zero) it may be appropriate to recompute the value potentially to be stored and then reexecute the *Compare and Swap*.

E.1.2 Lock Acquisition and Release

This example gives an algorithm for locking that demonstrates the use of synchronization with an atomic read/modify/write operation. A shared storage location, the address of which is an argument of the "lock" and "unlock" procedures, given by GPR 3, is used as a lock, to control access to some shared resource such as a shared data structure. The lock is open when its value is 0, and closed (locked) when its value is 1. Before accessing the shared resource, a processor sets the lock, by changing its value from 0 to 1. To do this, the "lock" procedure calls *test_and_set*, which executes the code sequence shown in the "Test and Set" example of Section E.1.1, thereby atomically loading the old value of the lock, writing to the lock the new value (1) given in GPR 4, returning the old value in GPR 5 (not used below), and setting the EQ bit of CR Field 0 according to whether the value loaded is zero. The "lock" procedure repeats the *test_and_set* until it succeeds in changing the value of the lock from 0 to 1.

The processor must not access the shared resource until it sets the lock. After the *bne-* that checks for the success of *test_and_set*, the processor executes an *isync* instruction (see Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117). This delays all subsequent instructions until all previous instructions have completed to the extent required by context synchronization (see Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). *sync* could be used, but performance would be degraded unnecessarily because *sync* waits for all prior storage accesses to complete with respect to all other processors, which is not necessary here.

```

lock: li    r4,1        #obtain lock:
loop: bl   test_and_set # test-and-set
      bne- loop        # retry til old = 0
# Delay subsequent inst'ns til prior inst'ns finish
      isync
      blr              #return

```

The "unlock" procedure writes a 0 to the lock location. Most applications that use locking require, for correctness, that if the access to the shared resource included write operations, the processor must execute a *sync* instruction to make its modifications visible to all processors before releasing the lock. In this example, the "unlock" procedure begins with a *sync* for this purpose.

```

unlock: sync           #delay til prior stores finish
       li    r1,0      #store zero to lock location
       stw  r1,0(r3)
       blr              #return

```

E.1.3 List Insertion

This example shows how the *lwarx* and *stwcx.* instructions can be used to implement simple insertion into a singly linked list. (Complicated list insertion, in which multiple values must be changed atomically, or in which the correct order of insertion depends on the contents of the elements, cannot be implemented in the manner shown below, and requires a more complicated strategy such as using locks.)

The “next element pointer” from the list element after which the new element is to be inserted, here called the “parent element,” is stored into the new element, so that the new element points to the next element in the list: this store is performed unconditionally. Then the address of the new element is conditionally stored into the parent element, thereby adding the new element to the list.

In this example it is assumed that the address of the parent element is in GPR 3, the address of the new element is in GPR 4, and the next element pointer is at offset 0 from the start of the element. It is also assumed that the next element pointer of each list element is in a “reservation granule” separate from that of the next element pointer of all other list elements: see Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117.

```
loop: lwarx  r2,0,r3    #get next pointer
      stw   r2,0(r4)   #store in new element
      sync                #let store settle (can
                        #omit if not MP)
      stwcx. r4,0,r3  #add new element to list
      bne-  loop      #loop if stwcx. failed
```

In the preceding example, if two list elements have next element pointers in the same reservation granule then, in a multiprocessor, “livelock” can occur. (Livelock is a state in which processors interact in a way such that no processor makes progress.)

If it is not possible to allocate list elements such that each element’s next element pointer is in a different reservation granule, then livelock can be avoided by using the following, more complicated, sequence.

```
      lwz   r2,0(r3)   #get next pointer
loop1: mr    r5,r2     #keep a copy
      stw   r2,0(r4)   #store in new element
      sync                #let store settle
loop2: lwarx r2,0,r3   #get it again
      cmpw  r2,r5     #loop if changed (someone
      bne-  loop1     # else progressed)
      stwcx. r4,0,r3  #add new element to list
      bne-  loop2     #loop if failed
```

E.1.4 Notes

1. In general, *lwarx* and *stwcx.* instructions should be paired, with the same effective address used for both. The exception is an isolated *stwcx.* instruction that is used to clear any existing reservation on the processor, for which there is no paired *lwarx* and for which any (scratch) effective address can be used.
2. It is acceptable to execute a *lwarx* instruction for which no *stwcx.* instruction is executed. For example, such a “dangling *lwarx*” occurs if the value loaded in the “Test and Set” sequence shown above is not zero.
3. To increase the likelihood that forward progress is made, it is important that looping on *lwarx/stwcx.* pairs be minimized. For example, in the sequence shown above for “Test and Set,” this is achieved by testing the old value before attempting the store: were the order reversed, more *stwcx.* instructions might be executed, and reservations might more often be lost between the *lwarx* and the *stwcx.*
4. The manner in which *lwarx* and *stwcx.* are communicated to other processors and mechanisms, and between levels of the storage subsystem within a given processor (see Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117), is implementation-dependent. In some implementations performance may be improved by minimizing looping on a *lwarx* instruction that fails to return a desired value. For example, in the “Test and Set” example shown above, if the programmer wishes to stay in the loop until the word loaded is zero, he could change the “bne- \$+12” to “bne- loop.” However, in some implementations better performance may be obtained by using an ordinary *Load* instruction to do the initial checking of the value, as follows.

```
loop: lwz   r5,0(r3)   #load the word
      cmpwi r5,0       #loop back if word
      bne-  loop      # not equal to 0
      lwarx r5,0,r3   #try again, reserving
      cmpwi r5,0       # (likely to succeed)
      bne-  loop
      stwcx. r4,0,r3  #try to store non-0
      bne-  loop      #loop if lost reserv'n
```
5. In a multiprocessor, livelock is possible if a loop containing a *lwarx/stwcx.* pair also contains an ordinary *Store* instruction for which any byte of the affected storage area is in the reservation granule of the reservation: see Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117. For example, the first code sequence shown in Section E.1.3, List Insertion, can cause livelock if two list elements have next element pointers in the same reservation granule.

E.2 Multiple-Precision Shifts

This appendix gives examples of how multiple-precision shifts can be programmed.

A multiple-precision shift is initially defined to be a shift of an N-doubleword quantity (64-bit mode) or an N-word quantity (32-bit mode), where $N > 1$. (This definition is relaxed somewhat for 32-bit mode, below.) The quantity to be shifted is contained in N registers (in the low-order 32 bits in 32-bit mode). The shift amount is specified either by an immediate value in the instruction, or by bits 57:63 (64-bit mode) or 58:63 (32-bit mode) of a register.

The examples shown below distinguish between the cases $N=2$ and $N>2$. If $N=2$, the shift amount may be in the range 0 through 127 (64-bit mode) or 0 through 63 (32-bit mode), which are the maximum ranges supported by the *Shift* instructions used. However if $N>2$, the shift amount must be in the range 0 through 63 (64-bit mode) or 0 through 31 (32-bit mode), in order for the examples to yield the desired result. The specific instance shown for $N>2$ is $N=3$: extending those code sequences to larger N is straightforward, as is reducing them to the case $N=2$

when the more stringent restriction on shift amount is met. For shifts with immediate shift amounts only the case $N=3$ is shown, because the more stringent restriction on shift amount is always met.

In the examples it is assumed that GPRs 2 and 3 (and 4) contain the quantity to be shifted, and that the result is to be placed into the same registers, except for the immediate left shifts in 64-bit mode for which the result is placed into GPRs 3, 4, and 5. In all cases, for both input and result, the lowest-numbered register contains the highest-order part of the data and highest-numbered register contains the lowest-order part. In 32-bit mode, the high-order 32 bits of these registers are assumed not to be part of the quantity to be shifted nor of the result. For non-immediate shifts, the shift amount is assumed to be in bits 57:63 (64-bit mode) or 58:63 (32-bit mode) of GPR 6. For immediate shifts, the shift amount is assumed to be greater than 0. GPRs 0 and 31 are used as scratch registers.

For $N>2$, the number of instructions required is $2N-1$ (immediate shifts) or $3N-1$ (non-immediate shifts).

Multiple-precision shifts in 64-bit mode

Shift Left Immediate, N = 3 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|----------------|
| rldicr | r5,r4,sh,63-sh |
| rldimi | r4,r3,0,sh |
| rldicl | r4,r4,sh,0 |
| rldimi | r3,r2,0,sh |
| rldicl | r3,r3,sh,0 |

Shift Left, N = 2 (shift amnt < 128)

| | |
|--------|------------|
| subfic | r31,r6,64 |
| sld | r2,r2,r6 |
| srd | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r2,r2,r0 |
| addic | r31,r6,-64 |
| sld | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r2,r2,r0 |
| sld | r3,r3,r6 |

Multiple-precision shifts in 32-bit mode

Shift Left Immediate, N = 3 (shift amnt < 32)

| | |
|--------|-------------------|
| rlwinm | r2,r2,sh,0,31-sh |
| rlwimi | r2,r3,sh,32-sh,31 |
| rlwinm | r3,r3,sh,0,31-sh |
| rlwimi | r3,r4,sh,32-sh,31 |
| rlwinm | r4,r4,sh,0,31-sh |

Shift Left, N = 2 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|------------|
| subfic | r31,r6,32 |
| slw | r2,r2,r6 |
| srw | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r2,r2,r0 |
| addic | r31,r6,-32 |
| slw | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r2,r2,r0 |
| slw | r3,r3,r6 |

Multiple-precision shifts in 64-bit mode, continued

Shift Left, N = 3 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| subfic | r31,r6,64 |
| sld | r2,r2,r6 |
| srd | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r2,r2,r0 |
| sld | r3,r3,r6 |
| srd | r0,r4,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| sld | r4,r4,r6 |

Shift Right Immediate, N = 3 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|----------------|
| rldimi | r4,r3,0,64-sh |
| rldicl | r4,r4,64-sh,0 |
| rldimi | r3,r2,0,64-sh |
| rldicl | r3,r3,64-sh,0 |
| rldicl | r2,r2,64-sh,sh |

Shift Right, N = 2 (shift amnt < 128)

| | |
|--------|------------|
| subfic | r31,r6,64 |
| srd | r3,r3,r6 |
| sld | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| addic | r31,r6,-64 |
| srd | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| srd | r2,r2,r6 |

Shift Right, N = 3 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| subfic | r31,r6,64 |
| srd | r4,r4,r6 |
| sld | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r4,r4,r0 |
| srd | r3,r3,r6 |
| sld | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| srd | r2,r2,r6 |

Shift Right Algebraic Immediate, N = 3 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|---------------|
| rldimi | r4,r3,0,64-sh |
| rldicl | r4,r4,64-sh,0 |
| rldimi | r3,r2,0,64-sh |
| rldicl | r3,r3,64-sh,0 |
| sradi | r2,r2,sh |

Shift Right Algebraic, N = 2 (shift amnt < 128)

| | |
|--------|------------|
| subfic | r31,r6,64 |
| srd | r3,r3,r6 |
| sld | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| addic. | r31,r6,-64 |
| srad | r0,r2,r31 |
| ble | \$ + 8 |
| ori | r3,r0,0 |
| srad | r2,r2,r6 |

Multiple-precision shifts in 32-bit mode, continued

Shift Left, N = 3 (shift amnt < 32)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| subfic | r31,r6,32 |
| slw | r2,r2,r6 |
| srw | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r2,r2,r0 |
| slw | r3,r3,r6 |
| srw | r0,r4,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| slw | r4,r4,r6 |

Shift Right Immediate, N = 3 (shift amnt < 32)

| | |
|--------|--------------------|
| rlwinm | r4,r4,32-sh,sh,31 |
| rlwimi | r4,r3,32-sh,0,sh-1 |
| rlwinm | r3,r3,32-sh,sh,31 |
| rlwimi | r3,r2,32-sh,0,sh-1 |
| rlwinm | r2,r2,32-sh,sh,31 |

Shift Right, N = 2 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|------------|
| subfic | r31,r6,32 |
| srw | r3,r3,r6 |
| slw | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| addic | r31,r6,-32 |
| srw | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| srw | r2,r2,r6 |

Shift Right, N = 3 (shift amnt < 32)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| subfic | r31,r6,32 |
| srw | r4,r4,r6 |
| slw | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r4,r4,r0 |
| srw | r3,r3,r6 |
| slw | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| srw | r2,r2,r6 |

Shift Right Algebraic Immediate, N = 3 (shift amnt < 32)

| | |
|--------|--------------------|
| rlwinm | r4,r4,32-sh,sh,31 |
| rlwimi | r4,r3,32-sh,0,sh-1 |
| rlwinm | r3,r3,32-sh,sh,31 |
| rlwimi | r3,r2,32-sh,0,sh-1 |
| srawi | r2,r2,sh |

Shift Right Algebraic, N = 2 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|------------|
| subfic | r31,r6,32 |
| srw | r3,r3,r6 |
| slw | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| addic. | r31,r6,-32 |
| sraw | r0,r2,r31 |
| ble | \$ + 8 |
| ori | r3,r0,0 |
| sraw | r2,r2,r6 |

Multiple-precision shifts in 64-bit mode, continued

Shift Right Algebraic, N = 3 (shift amnt < 64)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| subfic | r31,r6,64 |
| srd | r4,r4,r6 |
| sld | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r4,r4,r0 |
| srd | r3,r3,r6 |
| sld | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| srad | r2,r2,r6 |

Multiple-precision shifts in 32-bit mode, continued

Shift Right Algebraic, N = 3 (shift amnt < 32)

| | |
|--------|-----------|
| subfic | r31,r6,32 |
| srw | r4,r4,r6 |
| slw | r0,r3,r31 |
| or | r4,r4,r0 |
| srw | r3,r3,r6 |
| slw | r0,r2,r31 |
| or | r3,r3,r0 |
| sraw | r2,r2,r6 |

The examples shown above for 32-bit mode work both in 32-bit mode of a 64-bit implementation and in a 32-bit implementation. They perform the shift in units of words. If ability to run in 32-bit implementations is not required, in a 64-bit implementation better performance can be obtained in 32-bit mode than that of the examples shown above, by using all 64 bits of GPRs 2 and 3 (and 4) to contain the quantity to be shifted, and placing the result into all 64 bits of the same registers.

Let N be the number of doublewords to be shifted.

The examples shown above for 64-bit mode work equally well in 32-bit mode of a 64-bit implementation, using all 64 bits of the registers. For $N > 2$, the number of instructions required is $2N-1$ (immediate shifts) or $3N-1$ (non-immediate shifts), compared with $4N-1$ (immediate shifts) or $6N-1$ (non-immediate shifts) for the examples shown above for 32-bit mode. (The examples shown above require using twice as many registers to hold the quantity to be shifted.)

E.3 Floating-Point Conversions

This appendix gives examples of how the *Floating-Point Conversion* instructions can be used to perform various conversions.

Warning: Some of the examples use the *fsel* instruction. Care must be taken in using *fsel* if IEEE compatibility is required, or if the values being tested can be NaNs or infinities: see Section E.4.4, "Notes" on page 251.

E.3.1 Conversion from Floating-Point Number to Floating-Point Integer

In a 64-bit Implementation

The full *convert to floating-point integer* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the floating-point value to be converted is in FPR 1, and the result is returned in FPR 3.

```
mtfsb0 23          #clear VXCVI
fctid[z] f3,f1      #convert to fx int
fcfid   f3,f3       #convert back again
mcrfs   7,5         #VXCVI to CR
bf      31,$+8      #skip if VXCVI was 0
fmr     f3,f1       #input was fp int
```

E.3.2 Conversion from Floating-Point Number to Signed Fixed-Point Integer Doubleword

This example applies to 64-bit implementations only.

The full *convert to signed fixed-point integer doubleword* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the floating-point value to be converted is in FPR 1, the result is returned in GPR 3, and a doubleword at displacement "disp" from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space.

```
fctid[z] f2,f1      #convert to dword int
stfd    f2,disp(r1) #store float
ld      r3,disp(r1) #load dword
```

E.3.3 Conversion from Floating-Point Number to Unsigned Fixed-Point Integer Doubleword

This example applies to 64-bit implementations only.

The full *convert to unsigned fixed-point integer doubleword* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the floating-point value to be converted is in FPR 1, the value 0 is in FPR 0, the value $2^{64}-2048$ is in FPR 3, the value 2^{63} is in FPR 4 and GPR 4, the result is returned in GPR 3, and a doubleword at displacement "disp" from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space.

```
fsel    f2,f1,f1,f0 #use 0 if < 0
fsub    f5,f3,f1     #use max if > max
fsel    f2,f5,f2,f3
fsub    f5,f2,f4     #subtract 2**63
fcmpu   cr2,f2,f4    #use diff if ≥ 2**63
fsel    f2,f5,f5,f2
fctid[z] f2,f2       #convert to fx int
stfd    f2,disp(r1) #store float
ld      r3,disp(r1) #load dword
blt     cr2,$+8      #add 2**63 if input
add     r3,r3,r4     # was ≥ 2**63
```

E.3.4 Conversion from Floating-Point Number to Signed Fixed-Point Integer Word

The full *convert to signed fixed-point integer word* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the floating-point value to be converted is in FPR 1, the result is returned in GPR 3, and a doubleword at displacement "disp" from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space. The last instruction is needed only if a 64-bit result is required, and applies to 64-bit implementations only.

```
fctiw[z] f2,f1      #convert to fx int
stfd    f2,disp(r1) #store float
lwz     r3,disp+4(r1) #load word and zero
extsw   r3,r3       #(for 64-bit result)
```

E.3.5 Conversion from Floating-Point Number to Unsigned Fixed-Point Integer Word

In a 64-bit Implementation

The full *convert to unsigned fixed-point integer word* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the floating-point value to be converted is in FPR 1, the value 0 is in FPR 0, the value $2^{32}-1$ is in FPR 3, the result is returned in GPR 3, and a doubleword at displacement “disp” from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space.

```
fsel    f2,f1,f1,f0    #use 0 if < 0
fsub    f4,f3,f1       #use max if > max
fsel    f2,f4,f2,f3
fctid[z] f2,f2        #convert to fx int
stfd    f2,disp(r1)   #store float
lwz     r3,disp+4(r1) #load word and zero
```

In a 32-bit Implementation

The full *convert to unsigned fixed-point integer word* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the floating-point value to be converted is in FPR 1, the value 0 is in FPR 0, the value 2^{32} is in FPR 3, the value 2^{31} is in FPR 4 and GPR 4, the result is returned in GPR 3, and a doubleword at displacement “disp” from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space.

```
fsel    f2,f1,f1,f0    #use 0 if < 0
fsub    f5,f3,f1       #use max if > max
fsel    f2,f5,f2,f3
fsub    f5,f2,f4       #subtract 2**31
fcmpl   cr2,f2,f4      #use diff if ≥ 2**31
fsel    f2,f5,f5,f2
fctiw[z] f2,f2        #convert to fx int
stfd    f2,disp(r1)   #store float
lwz     r3,disp+4(r1) #load word
blt     cr2,$+8       #add 2**31 if input
add     r3,r3,r4      # was ≥ 2**31
```

E.3.6 Conversion from Signed Fixed-Point Integer Doubleword to Floating-Point Number

This example applies to 64-bit implementations only.

The full *convert from signed fixed-point integer doubleword* function, using the rounding mode specified by $FPSCR_{RN}$, can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the fixed-point value to be converted is in GPR 3, the result is returned in FPR 1, and a doubleword at displacement “disp” from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space.

```
std     r3,disp(r1)   #store dword
lfd     f1,disp(r1)   #load float
fcfid   f1,f1        #convert to fpu int
```

E.3.7 Conversion from Unsigned Fixed-Point Integer Doubleword to Floating-Point Number

This example applies to 64-bit implementations only.

The full *convert from unsigned fixed-point integer doubleword* function, using the rounding mode specified by $FPSCR_{RN}$, can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the fixed-point value to be converted is in GPR 3, the value 2^{32} is in FPR 4, the result is returned in FPR 1, and two doublewords at displacement “disp” from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space.

```
rldicl  r2,r3,32,32   #isolate high half
rldicl  r0,r3,0,32    #isolate low half
std     r2,disp(r1)   #store dword both
std     r0,disp+8(r1)
lfd     f2,disp(r1)   #load float both
lfd     f1,disp+8(r1) #load float both
fcfid   f2,f2        #convert each half to
fcfid   f1,f1        # fpu int (no rnd)
fmadd   f1,f4,f2,f1   #(2**32)*high + low
# (only add can rnd)
```

An alternative, shorter, sequence can be used if rounding according to $FPCPR_{RN}$ is desired and $FPSCR_{RN}$ specifies *Round toward +Infinity* or *Round toward -Infinity*, or if it is acceptable for a rounded answer to be either of the two representable floating-point integers nearest algebraically to the given fixed-point integer. In this case the full *convert from unsigned fixed-point integer doubleword* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the value 2^{64} is in FPR 2.

```
std     r3,disp(r1)   #store dword
lfd     f1,disp(r1)   #load float
fcfid   f1,f1        #convert to fpu int
fadd    f4,f1,f2      #add 2**64
fsel    f1,f1,f1,f4   # if r3 < 0
```

E.3.8 Conversion from Signed Fixed-Point Integer Word to Floating-Point Number

In a 64-bit Implementation

The full *convert from signed fixed-point integer word* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the fixed-point value to be converted is in GPR 3, the result is returned in FPR 1, and a doubleword at displacement “disp” from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space. (Rounding cannot occur.)

```
extsw  r3,r3      #extend sign
std    r3,disp(r1) #store dword
lfd    f1,disp(r1) #load float
fcfid  f1,f1      #convert to fpu int
```

E.3.9 Conversion from Unsigned Fixed-Point Integer Word to Floating-Point Number

In a 64-bit Implementation

The full *convert from unsigned fixed-point integer word* function can be implemented with the sequence shown below, assuming the fixed-point value to be converted is in GPR 3, the result is returned in FPR 1, and a doubleword at displacement “disp” from the address in GPR 1 can be used as scratch space. (Rounding cannot occur.)

```
rldicl r0,r3,0,32 #zero-extend
std    r0,disp(r1) #store dword
lfd    f1,disp(r1) #load float
fcfid  f1,f1      #convert to fpu int
```

E.4 Floating-Point Selection

This appendix gives examples of how the *Floating Select* instruction can be used to implement floating-point minimum and maximum functions, and certain simple forms of if-then-else constructions, without branching.

The examples show program fragments in an imaginary, C-like, high-level programming language, and the corresponding program fragment using *fsel* and other PowerPC instructions. In the examples, *a*, *b*, *x*,

y, and *z* are floating-point variables, which are assumed to be in FPRs *fa*, *fb*, *fx*, *fy*, and *fz*. FPR *fs* is assumed to be available for scratch space.

Additional examples can be found in Section E.3, "Floating-Point Conversions" on page 248.

Warning: Care must be taken in using *fsel* if IEEE compatibility is required, or if the values being tested can be NaNs or infinities: see Section E.4.4, "Notes."

E.4.1 Comparison to Zero

| High-level language: | PowerPC: | Notes |
|--|--|-------|
| if $a \geq 0.0$ then $x \leftarrow y$ else $x \leftarrow z$ | <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fa,fy,fz</i> | (1) |
| if $a > 0.0$ then $x \leftarrow y$ else $x \leftarrow z$ | <i>fneg</i> <i>fs,fa</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fz,fy</i> | (1,2) |
| if $a = 0.0$ then $x \leftarrow y$ else $x \leftarrow z$ | <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fa,fy,fz</i> <i>fneg</i> <i>fs,fa</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fx,fz</i> | (1) |

E.4.2 Minimum and Maximum

| High-level language: | PowerPC: | Notes |
|--------------------------|---|---------|
| $x \leftarrow \min(a,b)$ | <i>fsub</i> <i>fs,fa,fb</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fb,fa</i> | (3,4,5) |
| $x \leftarrow \max(a,b)$ | <i>fsub</i> <i>fs,fa,fb</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fa,fb</i> | (3,4,5) |

E.4.3 Simple if-then-else Constructions

| High-level language: | PowerPC: | Notes |
|--|---|---------|
| if $a \geq b$ then $x \leftarrow y$ else $x \leftarrow z$ | <i>fsub</i> <i>fs,fa,fb</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fy,fz</i> | (4,5) |
| if $a > b$ then $x \leftarrow y$ else $x \leftarrow z$ | <i>fsub</i> <i>fs,fb,fa</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fz,fy</i> | (3,4,5) |
| if $a = b$ then $x \leftarrow y$ else $x \leftarrow z$ | <i>fsub</i> <i>fs,fa,fb</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fy,fz</i> <i>fneg</i> <i>fs,fs</i> <i>fsel</i> <i>fx,fs,fx,fz</i> | (4,5) |

E.4.4 Notes

The following Notes apply to the preceding examples, and to the corresponding cases using the other three arithmetic relations (<, ≤, and ≠). They should also be considered when any other use of *fsel* is contemplated.

In these Notes, the "optimized program" is the PowerPC program shown, and the "unoptimized program" (not shown) is the corresponding PowerPC program that uses *fcmpu* and *Branch Conditional* instructions instead of *fsel*.

1. The unoptimized program affects the VXSNaN bit of the FPSCR, and therefore may cause the system error handler to be invoked if the corresponding exception is enabled, while the optimized program does not affect this bit. This is incompatible with the IEEE standard.
2. The optimized program gives the incorrect result if *a* is a NaN.
3. The optimized program gives the incorrect result if *a* and/or *b* is a NaN (except that it may give the correct result in some cases for the minimum and maximum functions, depending on how those functions are defined to operate on NaNs).
4. The optimized program gives the incorrect result if *a* and *b* are infinities of the same sign. (Here it is assumed that Invalid Operation Exceptions are disabled, in which case the result of the subtraction is a NaN. The analysis is more complicated if Invalid Operation Exceptions are enabled, because in that case the target register of the subtraction is unchanged.)
5. The optimized program affects the OX, UX, XX, and VXISI bits of the FPSCR, and therefore may cause the system error handler to be invoked if the corresponding exceptions are enabled, while the unoptimized program does not affect these bits. This is incompatible with the IEEE standard.

Appendix F. Cross-Reference for Changed Power Mnemonics

The following table lists the Power instruction mnemonics that have been changed in the PowerPC Architecture, sorted by Power mnemonic.

To determine the PowerPC mnemonic for one of these Power mnemonics, find the Power mnemonic in the second column of the table: the remainder of the line gives the PowerPC mnemonic and the page or Book in which the instruction is described, as well as the instruction names. A page number is shown for instructions that are defined in this Book (Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on

page 1), and the Book number is shown for instructions that are defined in other Books (Part 2, "PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). If an instruction is defined in more than one Book, the lowest-numbered Book is used.

Power mnemonics that have not changed are not listed. Power instruction names that are the same in PowerPC are not repeated: i.e., for these, the last column of the table is blank.

| Page / Bk | Power | | PowerPC | |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Mnemonic | Instruction | Mnemonic | Instruction |
| 52 | a[o][.] | Add | addc[o][.] | Add Carrying |
| 53 | ae[o][.] | Add Extended | adde[o][.] | |
| 51 | ai | Add Immediate | addic | Add Immediate Carrying |
| 51 | ai. | Add Immediate and Record | addic. | Add Immediate Carrying and Record |
| 53 | ame[o][.] | Add To Minus One Extended | addme[o][.] | |
| 63 | andil. | AND Immediate Lower | andi. | AND Immediate |
| 63 | andiu. | AND Immediate Upper | andis. | AND Immediate Shifted |
| 54 | aze[o][.] | Add To Zero Extended | addze[o][.] | |
| 22 | bcc[l] | Branch Conditional to Count Register | bcctr[l] | |
| 22 | bcr[l] | Branch Conditional to Link Register | bclr[l] | |
| 50 | cal | Compute Address Lower | addi | Add Immediate |
| 50 | cau | Compute Address Upper | addis | Add Immediate Shifted |
| 51 | cax[o][.] | Compute Address | add[o][.] | Add |
| 68 | cntlz[.] | Count Leading Zeros | cntlzw[.] | Count Leading Zeros Word |
| Bk II | dclz | Data Cache Line Set to Zero | dcbz | Data Cache Block set to Zero |
| 48 | dcs | Data Cache Synchronize | sync | Synchronize |
| 67 | exts[.] | Extend Sign | extsh[.] | Extend Sign Halfword |
| 106 | fa[.] | Floating Add | fadd[.] | |
| 107 | fd[.] | Floating Divide | fdiv[.] | |
| 107 | fm[.] | Floating Multiply | fmul[.] | |
| 108 | fma[.] | Floating Multiply-Add | fmadd[.] | |
| 108 | fms[.] | Floating Multiply-Subtract | fmsub[.] | |
| 109 | fnma[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Add | fnmadd[.] | |
| 109 | fnms[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract | fnmsub[.] | |
| 106 | fs[.] | Floating Subtract | fsub[.] | |
| Bk II | ics | Instruction Cache Synchronize | isync | Instruction Synchronize |
| 33 | l | Load | lwz | Load Word and Zero |
| 40 | lbrx | Load Byte-Reverse Indexed | lwbrx | Load Word Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| 42 | lm | Load Multiple | lmw | Load Multiple Word |
| 44 | lsi | Load String Immediate | lswi | Load String Word Immediate |
| 44 | lsx | Load String Indexed | lswx | Load String Word Indexed |

| Page / Bk | Power | | PowerPC | |
|--------------|------------|--|--------------|---|
| | Mnemonic | Instruction | Mnemonic | Instruction |
| 33 | lu | Load with Update | lwzu | Load Word and Zero with Update |
| 33 | lux | Load with Update Indexed | lwzux | Load Word and Zero with Update Indexed |
| 33 | lx | Load Indexed | lwzx | Load Word and Zero Indexed |
| Bk III | mtsri | Move To Segment Register Indirect | mtsrim | |
| 55 | muli | Multiply Immediate | mulli | Multiply Low Immediate |
| 55 | muls[o][.] | Multiply Short | mullw[o][.] | Multiply Low Word |
| 64 | oril | OR Immediate Lower | ori | OR Immediate |
| 64 | oriu | OR Immediate Upper | oris | OR Immediate Shifted |
| 74 | rlimi[.] | Rotate Left Immediate Then Mask Insert | rlwimi[.] | Rotate Left Word Immediate then Mask Insert |
| 71 | rlinm[.] | Rotate Left Immediate Then AND With Mask | rlwinm[.] | Rotate Left Word Immediate then AND with Mask |
| 73 | rlnm[.] | Rotate Left Then AND With Mask | rlwnm[.] | Rotate Left Word then AND with Mask |
| 52 | sf[o][.] | Subtract From | subfc[o][.] | Subtract From Carrying |
| 53 | sfe[o][.] | Subtract From Extended | subfe[o][.] | |
| 52 | sfi | Subtract From Immediate | subfic | Subtract From Immediate Carrying |
| 53 | sfme[o][.] | Subtract From Minus One Extended | subfme[o][.] | |
| 54 | sfze[o][.] | Subtract From Zero Extended | subfze[o][.] | |
| 75 | sl[.] | Shift Left | slw[.] | Shift Left Word |
| 76 | sr[.] | Shift Right | srw[.] | Shift Right Word |
| 78 | sra[.] | Shift Right Algebraic | sraw[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Word |
| 77 | srai[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Immediate | srawi[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Word Immediate |
| 38 | st | Store | stw | Store Word |
| 41 | stbrx | Store Byte-Reverse Indexed | stwbrx | Store Word Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| 42 | stm | Store Multiple | stmw | Store Multiple Word |
| 45 | stsi | Store String Immediate | stswi | Store String Word Immediate |
| 45 | stsx | Store String Indexed | stswx | Store String Word Indexed |
| 38 | stu | Store with Update | stwu | Store Word with Update |
| 38 | stux | Store with Update Indexed | stwux | Store Word with Update Indexed |
| 38 | stx | Store Indexed | stwx | Store Word Indexed |
| 23 | svca | Supervisor Call | sc | System Call |
| 62 | t | Trap | tw | Trap Word |
| 61 | ti | Trap Immediate | twi | Trap Word Immediate |
| Bk III | tlbi | TLB Invalidate Entry | tlbie | TLB Entry Invalidate |
| 64 | xoril | XOR Immediate Lower | xori | XOR Immediate |
| 64 | xoriu | XOR Immediate Upper | xoris | XOR Immediate Shifted |

Appendix G. Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture

This section identifies the known incompatibilities that must be managed in the migration from the Power Architecture to the PowerPC Architecture. Some of the incompatibilities can, at least in principle, be detected by the processor, which could trap and let software simulate the Power operation. Others cannot be detected by the processor even in principle.

In general, the incompatibilities identified here are those that affect a Power application program: incompatibilities for instructions that can be used only by Power system programs are not necessarily discussed.

G.1 New Instructions, Formerly Privileged Instructions

Instructions new to PowerPC typically use opcode values (including extended opcode) that are illegal in Power. A few instructions that are privileged in Power (e.g., *dclz*, called *dcbz* in PowerPC) have been made non-privileged in PowerPC. Any Power program that executes one of these now-valid or now-non-privileged instructions, expecting to cause the system illegal instruction error handler or the system privileged instruction error handler to be invoked, will not execute correctly on PowerPC.

G.2 Newly Privileged Instructions

The following instructions are non-privileged in Power but privileged in PowerPC.

mfmwr
mfsr

G.3 Reserved Bits in Instructions

These are shown with '/'s in the instruction layouts. In Power such bits are ignored by the processor. In PowerPC they must be 0 or the instruction form is invalid.

In several cases the PowerPC Architecture assumes that such bits in Power instructions are indeed 0. The cases include the following.

- *cmpi*, *cmp*, *cmpli*, and *cmpl* assume that bit 10 in the Power instructions is 0.
- *mtspr* and *mfspr* assume that bits 16:20 in the Power instructions are 0.

G.4 Reserved Bits in Registers

Power defines these bits to be 0 on read, and either 0 or 1 on write. In PowerPC it is implementation dependent, for each bit, whether the bit is:

- 0 on read and ignored on write; or
- copied from source to target on both read and write.

G.5 Alignment Check

The Power MSR AL bit (bit 24) is no longer supported: the bit is reserved in PowerPC. The low-order bits of the EA are always used. (Notice that the value 0 — the normal value for a reserved SPR bit — means “ignore the low-order EA bits” in Power, and the value 1 means “use the low-order EA bits.”) However, MSR bit 24 will not be assigned new meaning in the near future (see Part 3, “PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture” on page 141), and software is permitted to write the value 1 to the bit.

G.6 Condition Register

The following instructions specify a field in the CR explicitly (via the BF field) and also, in Power, use bit 31 as the Record bit. In PowerPC, if bit 31 = 1 for these instructions the instruction form is invalid. In Power, if Rc=1 the instructions execute normally except as follows.

| | |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>cmp</i> | CR0 is undefined if Rc=1 and BF≠0 |
| <i>cmpl</i> | CR0 is undefined if Rc=1 and BF≠0 |
| <i>mcrxr</i> | CR0 is undefined if Rc=1 and BF≠0 |
| <i>fcmpu</i> | CR1 is undefined if Rc=1 |
| <i>fcmpo</i> | CR1 is undefined if Rc=1 |
| <i>mcrfs</i> | CR1 is undefined if Rc=1 and BF≠1 |

G.7 Inappropriate use of LK and Rc bits

For the instructions listed below, if bit 31 (LK or Rc bit in Power) is set to 1, Power executes the instruction normally with the exception of setting the Link Register (if LK=1) or Condition Register Field 0 or 1 (if Rc=1) to an undefined value. In PowerPC such instruction forms are invalid.

PowerPC instruction form invalid if bit 31 = 1 (LK bit in Power):

sc (*svc* in Power)
the *Condition Register Logical* instructions
mcrf
isync (*ics* in Power)

PowerPC instruction form invalid if bit 31 = 1 (Rc bit in Power):

fixed-point X-form *Load* and *Store* instructions
fixed-point X-form *Compare* instructions
the X-form *Trap* instruction
mtspr, *mfspr*, *mcrf*, *mcrxr*, *mfcrr*
floating-point X-form *Load* and *Store* instructions
floating-point *Compare* instructions

mcrfs
dcbz (*dclz* in Power)

G.8 BO Field

Power shows certain bits in the BO field — used by *Branch Conditional* instructions — as “x.” Although the Power Architecture does not say how these bits are to be interpreted, they are in fact ignored by the processor. PowerPC treats these bits differently, as follows.

BO_{0:3} PowerPC shows the bit as “z.” (For the “branch always” encoding of the BO field, BO₄ is also shown as “z.”) If a “z” bit is not zero the instruction form is invalid.

BO₄ This bit — which is shown as “x” in Power independent of the other four bits — is shown in PowerPC as “y” (except for the “branch always” encoding of the BO field). The “y” bit gives a hint about whether the branch is likely to be taken. If a Power program has the “wrong” value for this bit, the program will run correctly but performance may suffer.

G.9 Branch Conditional to Count Register

For the case in which the Count Register is decremented and tested (i.e., the case in which BO₂=0), Power specifies only that the branch target address is undefined, with the implication that the Count Register, and the Link Register if LK=1, are updated in the normal way. PowerPC considers this instruction form invalid.

G.10 System Call

There are several respects in which PowerPC is incompatible with Power for *System Call* instructions — which in Power are called *Supervisor Call* instructions.

- Power provides a version of the *Supervisor Call* instruction (bit 30 = 0) that allows instruction fetching to continue at any one of 128 locations. It is used for “fast SVCs.” PowerPC provides no such version: if bit 30 of the instruction is 0 the instruction is reserved.
- Power provides a version of the *Supervisor Call* instruction (bits 30:31 = 0b11) that resumes instruction fetching at one location and sets the Link Register to the address of the next instruction. PowerPC provides no such version: if bit 31

of the instruction is 1 the instruction form is invalid.

- For Power, information from the MSR is saved in the Count Register. For PowerPC this information is saved in SRR1.
- Power permits bits 16:29 of the instruction to be non-zero, while in PowerPC such an instruction form is invalid.
- Power saves the low-order 16 bits of the instruction, in the Count Register. PowerPC does not save them.
- The settings of MSR bits by the associated interrupt differ between Power and PowerPC: see *POWER Processor Architecture* and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141.

G.11 Fixed-Point Exception Register (XER)

Bits 16:23 of the XER are reserved in PowerPC, while in Power they are defined and contain the comparison byte for the *lscbx* instruction (which PowerPC lacks).

Engineering Note

For reasons of compatibility with the Power Architecture, early implementations *must* handle XER bits 16:23 according to the second of the two permitted treatments of reserved bits in status and control registers. That is, early implementations must set the bits from the source value on write, and return the value last set for them on read.

G.12 Update Forms of Storage Access

PowerPC requires that RA not be equal to either RT (fixed-point *Load* only) or 0. If the restriction is violated the instruction form is invalid. Power permits these cases, and simply avoids saving the EA.

G.13 Multiple Register Loads

PowerPC requires that RA, and RB if present in the instruction format, not be in the range of registers to be loaded, while Power permits this and does not alter RA or RB in this case. (The PowerPC restriction applies even if RA=0, although there is no obvious benefit to the restriction in this case since RA is not used to compute the effective address if RA=0.) If

the PowerPC restriction is violated, the instruction form is invalid. The instructions affected are:

lmw (*lm* in Power)
lswi (*lsi* in Power)
lswx (*lsx* in Power)

Thus, for example, an *lmw* instruction that loads all 32 registers is valid in Power but is an invalid form in PowerPC.

G.14 Alignment for Load/Store Multiple

PowerPC requires the EA to be word-aligned, and yields an Alignment interrupt or boundedly undefined results if it is not. Power specifies that an Alignment interrupt occurs (if AL=1).

Engineering Note

If attempt is made to execute an *lmw* or *stmw* instruction having an incorrectly aligned effective address, early implementations *must* either correctly transfer the addressed bytes or cause an Alignment interrupt, for reasons of compatibility with the Power Architecture.

G.15 Move Assist Instructions

There are several respects in which PowerPC is incompatible with Power for *Move Assist* instructions.

- In PowerPC an *lswx* instruction with zero length leaves the content of RT undefined, while in Power the corresponding instruction (*lsx*) does not alter RT in this case.
- In PowerPC an *lswx* instruction with zero length may alter the Reference bit, and an *stswx* instruction with zero length may alter the Reference and Change bits, while in Power the corresponding instructions (*lsx* and *stsx*) do not alter the Reference and Change bits in this case.

G.16 Synchronization

The *sync* instruction (called *dcs* in Power) and the *isync* instruction (called *ics* in Power) cause much more pervasive synchronization in PowerPC than in Power.

G.17 Move To/From SPR

There are several respects in which PowerPC is incompatible with Power for *Move To/From Special Purpose Register* instructions.

- The SPR field is ten bits long in PowerPC, but only five in Power (see also Section G.3, “Reserved Bits in Instructions” on page 255).
- *mfspr* can be used to read the Decrementer in problem state in Power, but only in privileged state in PowerPC.
- If the SPR value specified in the instruction is not one of the defined values, PowerPC considers the instruction form invalid. (In problem state, the allowed SPR values exclude those accessible only in privileged state.) Power does not alter any architected registers in this case, and generates a Privileged Instruction type Program interrupt if the instruction is executed in problem state and $SPR_0=1$.

G.18 Effects of Exceptions on FPSCR Bits FR and FI

For the following cases, Power does not say how FR and FI are set, while PowerPC preserves them for Invalid Operation Exception caused by a *Compare* instruction, sets FI to 1 and FR to an undefined value for disabled Overflow Exception, and clears them otherwise.

- Invalid Operation Exception (enabled or disabled)
- Zero Divide Exception (enabled or disabled)
- Disabled Overflow Exception

G.19 Floating-Point Store Instructions

Power uses $FPSCR_{UE}$ to help determine whether denormalization should be done, while PowerPC does not. Using $FPSCR_{UE}$ is in fact incorrect: if $FPSCR_{UE}=1$ and a denormalized single-precision number is copied from one storage location to another by means of *lfs* followed by *stfs*, the two “copies” may not be the same.

G.20 Move From FPSCR

Power defines the high-order 32 bits of the result of *mfs* to be $0xFFFF_FFFF$, while PowerPC says they are undefined.

G.21 Zeroing Bytes in the Data Cache

The *dclz* instruction of Power and the *dcbz* instruction of PowerPC have the same opcode. However, the functions differ in the following respects.

- *dclz* clears a line while *dcbz* clears a block.
- *dclz* saves the EA in RA (if $RA \neq 0$) while *dcbz* does not.
- *dclz* is privileged while *dcbz* is not.

G.22 Floating-Point Load/Store to Direct-Store Segment

In Power a floating-point *Load* or *Store* instruction to a direct-store segment causes a Data Storage interrupt, while in PowerPC the instruction either executes correctly or causes an Alignment interrupt.

G.23 Segment Register Instructions

The definitions of the four Segment Register instructions (*mtsr*, *mtsrin*, *mfsr*, and *mfsrin*) differ in two respects between Power and PowerPC. Instructions similar to *mtsrin* and *mfsrin* are called *mtsri* and *mfsri* in Power.

privilege: *mfsr* and *mfsri* are problem state instructions in Power, while *mfsr* and *mfsrin* are privileged in PowerPC.

function: the “indirect” instructions (*mtsri* and *mfsri*) in Power use an RA register in computing the Segment Register number, and the computed EA is stored into RA (if $RA \neq 0$ and $RA \neq RT$), while in PowerPC *mtsrin* and *mfsrin* have no RA field and EA is not stored.

mtsr, *mtsrin* (*mtsri*), and *mfsr* have the same opcodes in PowerPC as in Power. *mfsri* (Power) and *mfsrin* (PowerPC) have different opcodes.

G.24 TLB Entry Invalidation

The *tbi* instruction of Power and the *tlbie* instruction of PowerPC have the same opcode. However, the functions differ in the following respects.

- *tbi* computes the EA as $(RA|0) + (RB)$, while *tlbie* lacks an RA field and computes the EA as (RB) .
- *tbi* saves the EA in RA (if $RA \neq 0$), while *tlbie* lacks an RA field and does not save the EA.

G.25 Floating-Point Interrupts

Both architectures use MSR bit 20 to control the generation of interrupts for floating-point enabled exceptions. However, in PowerPC this bit is part of a two-bit value which controls the occurrence, precision, and recoverability of the interrupt, while in Power this bit is used independently to control the occurrence of the interrupt (in Power all floating-point interrupts are precise).

G.26 Timing Facilities

G.26.1 Real-Time Clock

The Power Real-Time Clock is not supported in PowerPC. Instead, PowerPC provides a Time Base. Both the RTC and the TB are 64-bit Special Purpose Registers, but they differ in the following respects.

- The RTC counts seconds and nanoseconds, while the TB counts "ticks." The ticking rate of the RTC is implementation-dependent.

- The RTC increments discontinuously: 1 is added to RTCU when the value in RTCL passes 999_999_999. The TB increments continuously: 1 is added to TBU when the value in TBL passes 0xFFFF_FFFF.
- The RTC is written and read by the *mtspr* and *mfspr* instructions, using SPR numbers that denote the RTCU and RTCL. The TB is written by the *mtspr* instruction (using new SPR numbers), and read by the new *mftb* instruction.
- The SPR numbers that denote Power's RTCL and RTCU are invalid in PowerPC.
- The RTC is guaranteed to increment at least once in the time required to execute ten *Add Immediate* instructions. No analogous guarantee is made for the TB.
- Not all bits of RTCL need be implemented, while all bits of the TB must be implemented.

G.26.2 Decrementer

The PowerPC Decrementer differs from the Power Decrementer in the following respects.

- The PowerPC DEC decrements at the same rate that the TB increments, while the Power Decrementer decrements every nanosecond (which is the same rate that the RTC increments).
- Not all bits of the Power DEC need be implemented, while all bits of the PowerPC DEC must be implemented.
- The interrupt caused by the DEC has its own interrupt vector location in PowerPC, but is considered an External interrupt in Power.

G.27 Deleted Instructions

The following instructions are part of the Power Architecture but have been dropped from the PowerPC Architecture.

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| <i>abs</i> | Absolute |
| <i>clcs</i> | Cache Line Compute Size |
| <i>clf</i> | Cache Line Flush |
| <i>cli</i> | Cache Line Invalidate |
| <i>dclst</i> | Data Cache Line Store |
| <i>div</i> | Divide |
| <i>divs</i> | Divide Short |
| <i>doz</i> | Difference Or Zero |
| <i>dozi</i> | Difference Or Zero Immediate |
| <i>lscbx</i> | Load String And Compare Byte Indexed |
| <i>maskg</i> | Mask Generate |
| <i>maskir</i> | Mask Insert From Register |
| <i>mfsri</i> | Move From Segment Register Indirect |
| <i>mul</i> | Multiply |
| <i>nabs</i> | Negative Absolute |
| <i>rac</i> | Real Address Compute |
| <i>rlmi</i> | Rotate Left Then Mask Insert |
| <i>rrib</i> | Rotate Right And Insert Bit |
| <i>sle</i> | Shift Left Extended |
| <i>sleq</i> | Shift Left Extended With MQ |
| <i>sliq</i> | Shift Left Immediate With MQ |
| <i>slliq</i> | Shift Left Long Immediate With MQ |
| <i>sllq</i> | Shift Left Long With MQ |
| <i>slq</i> | Shift Left With MQ |
| <i>sraiq</i> | Shift Right Algebraic Immediate With MQ |
| <i>sraq</i> | Shift Right Algebraic With MQ |
| <i>sre</i> | Shift Right Extended |
| <i>srea</i> | Shift Right Extended Algebraic |
| <i>sreq</i> | Shift Right Extended With MQ |
| <i>sriq</i> | Shift Right Immediate With MQ |
| <i>srlmq</i> | Shift Right Long Immediate With MQ |
| <i>srlq</i> | Shift Right Long With MQ |
| <i>srq</i> | Shift Right With MQ |
| <i>svc[<i>r</i>]</i> | Supervisor Call, with SA=0 |

Note: Many of these instructions use the MQ register. The MQ is not defined in the PowerPC Architecture.

G.28 Discontinued Opcodes

The opcodes listed below are defined in the Power Architecture but have been dropped from the PowerPC Architecture. The list contains the old mnemonic (MNEM), the primary opcode (PRI), and the extended opcode (XOP) if appropriate.

| <u>MNEM</u> | <u>PRI</u> | <u>XOP</u> |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
| <i>abs</i> | 31 | 360 |
| <i>clcs</i> | 31 | 531 |
| <i>clf</i> | 31 | 118 |
| <i>cli</i> | 31 | 502 |
| <i>dclst</i> | 31 | 630 |
| <i>div</i> | 31 | 331 |
| <i>divs</i> | 31 | 363 |
| <i>doz</i> | 31 | 264 |
| <i>dozi</i> | 09 | — |
| <i>lscbx</i> | 31 | 277 |
| <i>maskg</i> | 31 | 29 |
| <i>maskir</i> | 31 | 541 |
| <i>mfsri</i> | 31 | 627 |
| <i>mul</i> | 31 | 107 |
| <i>nabs</i> | 31 | 488 |
| <i>rac</i> | 31 | 818 |
| <i>rlmi</i> | 22 | — |
| <i>rrib</i> | 31 | 537 |
| <i>sle</i> | 31 | 153 |
| <i>sleq</i> | 31 | 217 |
| <i>sliq</i> | 31 | 184 |
| <i>sllmq</i> | 31 | 248 |
| <i>sllq</i> | 31 | 216 |
| <i>slq</i> | 31 | 152 |
| <i>sraiq</i> | 31 | 952 |
| <i>sraq</i> | 31 | 920 |
| <i>sre</i> | 31 | 665 |
| <i>srea</i> | 31 | 921 |
| <i>sreq</i> | 31 | 729 |
| <i>sriq</i> | 31 | 696 |
| <i>srlmq</i> | 31 | 760 |
| <i>srlq</i> | 31 | 728 |
| <i>srq</i> | 31 | 664 |
| <i>svc[<i>r</i>]</i> | 17 | 0 |

Assembler Note

It might be helpful to current software writers for the Assembler to flag the discontinued Power instructions.

Appendix H. New Instructions

The following instructions in the PowerPC Architecture are new: they are not in the Power Architecture.

They are listed in three groups, according to whether they exist in all PowerPC implementations, only in 64-bit implementations, or only in 32-bit implementations.

The following instructions are optional: *eciwx*, *ecowx*, *fres*, *frsqrte*, *fsel*, *fsqrt[s]*, *sbia*, *slbie*, *stfiwx*, *tlbia*, *tlbsync*.

H.1 New Instructions for All Implementations

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| <i>dcbf</i> | Data Cache Block Flush |
| <i>dcbi</i> | Data Cache Block Invalidate |
| <i>dcbst</i> | Data Cache Block Store |
| <i>dcbt</i> | Data Cache Block Touch |
| <i>dcbtst</i> | Data Cache Block Touch for Store |
| <i>divw</i> | Divide Word |
| <i>divwu</i> | Divide Word Unsigned |
| <i>eciwx</i> | External Control In Word Indexed |
| <i>ecowx</i> | External Control Out Word Indexed |
| <i>eieio</i> | Enforce In-order Execution of I/O |
| <i>extsb</i> | Extend Sign Byte |
| <i>fadds</i> | Floating Add Single |
| <i>ctiw</i> | Floating Convert To Integer Word |
| <i>ctiwz</i> | Floating Convert To Integer Word with round toward Zero |
| <i>fdivs</i> | Floating Divide Single |
| <i>fmadds</i> | Floating Multiply-Add Single |
| <i>fmsubs</i> | Floating Multiply-Subtract Single |
| <i>fmuls</i> | Floating Multiply Single |
| <i>fnmadds</i> | Floating Negative Multiply-Add Single |
| <i>fnmsubs</i> | Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract Single |
| <i>fres</i> | Floating Reciprocal Estimate Single |
| <i>frsqrte</i> | Floating Reciprocal Square Root Estimate |
| <i>fsel</i> | Floating Select |
| <i>fsqrt[s]</i> | Floating Square Root [Single] |
| <i>fsubs</i> | Floating Subtract Single |
| <i>icbi</i> | Instruction Cache Block Invalidate |
| <i>lwarx</i> | Load Word And Reserve Indexed |
| <i>mftb</i> | Move From Time Base |
| <i>mulhw</i> | Multiply High Word |
| <i>mulhwu</i> | Multiply High Word Unsigned |
| <i>stfiwx</i> | Store Floating-Point as Integer Word Indexed |
| <i>stwcx.</i> | Store Word Conditional Indexed |
| <i>subf</i> | Subtract From |
| <i>tlbia</i> | TLB Invalidate All |
| <i>tlbsync</i> | TLB Synchronize |

H.2 New Instructions for 64-Bit Implementations Only

| | |
|---------------|---|
| <i>cntlzd</i> | Count Leading Zeros Doubleword |
| <i>divd</i> | Divide Doubleword |
| <i>divdu</i> | Divide Doubleword Unsigned |
| <i>extsw</i> | Extend Sign Word |
| <i>fcfid</i> | Floating Convert From Integer Doubleword |
| <i>ftid</i> | Floating Convert To Integer Doubleword |
| <i>ftidz</i> | Floating Convert To Integer Doubleword with round toward Zero |
| <i>lwa</i> | Load Word Algebraic |
| <i>lwaux</i> | Load Word Algebraic with Update Indexed |
| <i>lwax</i> | Load Word Algebraic Indexed |
| <i>ld</i> | Load Doubleword |
| <i>ldarx</i> | Load Doubleword And Reserve Indexed |
| <i>ldu</i> | Load Doubleword with Update |
| <i>ldux</i> | Load Doubleword with Update Indexed |
| <i>ldx</i> | Load Doubleword Indexed |
| <i>mulhd</i> | Multiply High Doubleword |
| <i>mulhdu</i> | Multiply High Doubleword Unsigned |
| <i>mulld</i> | Multiply Low Doubleword |
| <i>rdcl</i> | Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Left |
| <i>rdcr</i> | Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Right |
| <i>rdic</i> | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear |
| <i>rdicl</i> | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Left |
| <i>rdicr</i> | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Right |
| <i>rdimi</i> | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Mask Insert |
| <i>slbia</i> | SLB Invalidate All |
| <i>slbie</i> | SLB Invalidate Entry |
| <i>slid</i> | Shift Left Doubleword |
| <i>srad</i> | Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword |
| <i>sradi</i> | Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword Immediate |
| <i>srd</i> | Shift Right Doubleword |
| <i>std</i> | Store Doubleword |
| <i>stdcx.</i> | Store Doubleword Conditional Indexed |
| <i>stdu</i> | Store Doubleword with Update |
| <i>stdux</i> | Store Doubleword with Update Indexed |
| <i>stdx</i> | Store Doubleword Indexed |
| <i>td</i> | Trap Doubleword |
| <i>tdi</i> | Trap Doubleword Immediate |

H.3 New Instructions for 32-Bit Implementations Only

| | |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>mfsrin</i> | Move From Segment Register Indirect |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|

Appendix I. Illegal Instructions

With the exception of the instruction consisting entirely of binary 0's, the instructions in this class are available for future extensions of the PowerPC Architecture: that is, some future version of the PowerPC Architecture may define any of these instructions to perform new functions.

The following primary opcodes are illegal.

1, 4, 5, 6, 56, 57, 60, 61

In addition, the following primary opcodes are illegal for 32-bit implementations (they are defined only for 64-bit implementations).

2, 30, 58, 62

The following primary opcodes have unused extended opcodes. Their unused extended opcodes can be determined from the opcode maps in -- Heading 'OPMAPS' unknown --. Extended opcodes for instructions that are defined only for 64-bit implementations are illegal in 32-bit implementations, and extended opcodes for instructions that are defined only for 32-bit implementations are illegal in 64-bit implementations. All unused extended opcodes are illegal.

17, 19, 30¹, 31, 59, 62¹, 63

¹ Applies only for 64-bit implementations (illegal primary opcode for 32-bit implementations)

An instruction consisting entirely of binary 0's is illegal, and is guaranteed to be illegal in all future versions of this architecture.

Appendix J. Reserved Instructions

The instructions in this class are allocated to specific purposes that are outside the scope of the PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture, PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture, and PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture.

The following types of instruction are included in this class.

1. The instruction having primary opcode 0, except the instruction consisting entirely of binary 0's (which is an illegal instruction: see Section 1.8.2, "Illegal Instruction Class" on page 13).
2. Instructions for the Power Architecture which have not been included in the PowerPC Architecture. These are listed in Appendix G, "Incompatibilities with the Power Architecture" on page 255.
3. Implementation-specific instructions used to conform to the PowerPC Architecture specifications.
4. Any other instructions contained in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* for any implementation, which are not defined in the PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture, PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture, nor PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture.

Appendix K. Optional Facilities and Instructions

The facilities (special purpose registers and instructions) described in this appendix are *optional*. An implementation may choose to provide all, some, or none of them. If a facility is implemented that matches semantics of a facility described here, the implementation should be as specified here.

K.1 External Control

The External Control facility provides a means for a problem state program to communicate with a special purpose device. Two instructions are provided:

- External Control Out Word Indexed (*ecowx*), which does the following:
 - Computes an Effective Address (EA) as for any X-form instruction
 - Validates the EA as would be done for a store to that address
 - Translates the EA to a Real Address
 - Transmits the Real Address and a word of data from a general register to the device
- External Control In Word Indexed (*eciwx*), which does the following:
 - Computes an Effective Address (EA) as for any X-form instruction
 - Validates the EA as would be done for a load from that address
 - Translates the EA to a Real Address
 - Transmits the Real Address to the device
 - Accepts a word of data from the device and places it in a general register

Depending on the setting of a control bit in a special purpose register, the External Access Register (EAR), the processor either performs the external control operation or it takes a Data Storage interrupt. The EAR controls access to the external access facility. Access to the EAR itself is privileged; the operating system can determine which tasks are allowed to

issue External Access instructions and when they are allowed to do so.

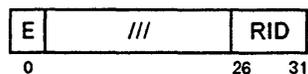
Interpretation of the real address transmitted by *ecowx* and *eciwx* and the 32-bit value transmitted by *ecowx* is up to the target device. Such interpretation is not specified by PowerPC Architecture. See the System Architecture documentation for a given PowerPC system for details on how the External Control facility can be used with devices on that system.

Example

An example of a device designed to be used with the External Control facility might be a graphics adapter. The *ecowx* instruction might be used to send the device the translated real address of a buffer containing graphics data, and the word transmitted from the general register might be control information that tells the adapter what operation to perform on the data in the buffer. The *eciwx* instruction might be used to load status information from the adapter.

K.1.1 External Access Register

This 32-bit Special Purpose Register controls access to the External Control facility and, for external control operations that are permitted, determines which device is the target.



| Bit | Name | Description |
|-------|------|-------------|
| 0 | E | Enable bit |
| 26:31 | RID | Resource ID |

All other fields are reserved.

Figure 83. External Access Register

K.1.2 External Access Instructions

External Control In Word Indexed X-form

eciwx RT,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RT | RA | RB | 310 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
if EARE = 1 then
    raddr ← address translation of EA
    send load request for raddr to
        device identified by EARRID
    RT ← 320 || word from device
else
    DSISR11 ← 1
    generate Data Storage interrupt
  
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

If EAR_E=1, a load request for the real address corresponding to EA sent to the device identified by EAR_{RID}, bypassing the cache. RT_{0:31} is set to 0. The word returned by the device is placed in RT_{32:63(0:31)}.

If EAR_E=0, a Data Storage interrupt is taken, with bit 11 of DSISR set to 1.

The *eciwx* instruction is supported for Effective Addresses that reference ordinary (T=0) segments and for EAs mapped by Data BAT registers. The instruction is not supported and the results are boundedly undefined for EAs in direct-store (T=1) segments and for EAs generated when MSR_{DR}=0 (real addresses).

The access caused by this instruction is treated as a load from the location addressed by EA with respect to protection and reference and change recording.

Special Registers Altered:
None

External Control Out Word Indexed X-form

ecowx RS,RA,RB

| | | | | | |
|----|----|----|----|-----|----|
| 31 | RS | RA | RB | 438 | / |
| 0 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 21 | 31 |

```

if RA = 0 then b ← 0
else      b ← (RA)
EA ← b + (RB)
if EARE = 1 then
    raddr ← address translation of EA
    send store request for raddr to
        device identified by EARRID
    send (RS32:63(0:31)) to device
else
    DSISR11 ← 1
    generate Data Storage interrupt
  
```

Let the effective address (EA) be the sum (RA|0)+(RB).

If EAR_E=1, a store request for the real address corresponding to EA and the contents of RS_{32:63(0:31)} are sent to the device identified by EAR_{RID}, bypassing the cache.

If EAR_E=0, a Data Storage interrupt is taken, with bit 11 of DSISR set to 1.

The *ecowx* instruction is supported for Effective Addresses that reference ordinary (T=0) segments and for EAs mapped by Data BAT registers. The instruction is not supported and the results are boundedly undefined for EAs in direct-store (T=1) segments and for EAs generated when MSR_{DR}=0 (real addresses).

The access caused by this instruction is treated as a store to the location addressed by EA with respect to protection and reference and change recording.

Special Registers Altered:
None

Appendix L. Synchronization Requirements for Special Registers

The processor checks for input and output dependences with respect to all registers, and honors these dependences when executing a series of instructions involving a given register. For example, if an *mtspr* instruction writes a value to a particular SPR and an *mfspr* instruction later in the instruction stream reads the same SPR, the *mfspr* receives the value written by the *mtspr*.

Such dependence checking does not extend to certain *side effects* of writing to status and control registers, SPRs, and Segment Registers, as described in the remainder of this appendix.

The processor automatically provides all synchronization required for the GPRs, FPRs, CR, LR, CTR, XER, FPSCR, SRR0, SRR1, DAR, DSISR, SPRG0 through SPRG3, Time Base, and Decrementer, and for the EE and RI bits of the MSR, including side effects. These registers and MSR bits are not discussed further, in this appendix.

For the remainder of this appendix, words like “before,” “after,” “preceding,” “following,” etc., when referring to instruction sequence, are with respect to program order. (Program order is defined in Part 2, “PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture” on page 117.)

L.1 Affected Registers

Software synchronization may be required for alteration of the registers listed in the following subsections, because they affect instruction fetch and data access.

L.1.1 Instruction Fetch

Altering the content of the following registers or MSR bits may change the manner in which instruction addresses are interpreted, or the context in which instructions execute.

- ASR
- Segment Registers
- SDR1
- IBAT registers
- MSR bits:
SF, POW, PR, FP, ME, FE0, FE1, SE, BE, IP, IR, LE

L.1.2 Data Access

Altering the content of the following registers or MSR bits may change the manner in which data accesses are performed, or the context in which they are performed.

- ASR
- Segment Registers
- SDR1
- DBAT registers
- EAR
- MSR bits:
SF, POW, PR, DR, LE

L.2 Context Synchronizing Operations

The following instructions and events comprise the context synchronizing operations (see Section 9.7.1, “Context Synchronization” on page 145). They can be used to synchronize alteration of the registers listed above, as described below.

- *isync*
- *sc*
- *rfi*

- any interrupt, other than System Reset and Machine Check

(As described in Chapter 13, "Interrupts" on page 191, System Reset and Machine Check are context synchronizing if they are recoverable.)

The *sync* instruction, although not context-synchronizing, can sometimes be used to provide the required synchronization, as described below.

L.3 Software Synchronization Requirements

To ensure that instructions appear to execute in program order (i.e., with the correct semantics and in the correct context), software must use synchronization instructions, as described below, when altering any of the registers and MSR bits listed in L.1, "Affected Registers" on page 269.

Sometimes advantage can be taken of the fact that certain instructions that occur naturally in the program, such as the *rfi* at the end of an interrupt handler, provide the required synchronization.

Before Alteration

If the corresponding relocation is enabled (IR=1 for Section L.1.1, DR=1 for Section L.1.2), a context synchronizing operation or *sync* instruction must precede an alteration of any of the registers listed in Section L.1, with the exception of SDR1 and the MSR.

If the corresponding relocation is enabled, a *sync* instruction must precede an alteration of SDR1. The *sync* forces alterations of Reference and Change bits, due to instructions before the alteration of SDR1, to be made in the correct context.

No explicit synchronization is required before software alters the MSR, because *mtmsr* is execution synchronizing (see Section 9.7.2, "Execution Synchronization" on page 145).

After Alteration

If the corresponding relocation is enabled (IR=1 for Section L.1.1, DR=1 for Section L.1.2), a context synchronizing operation must follow an alteration of any of the registers listed in Section L.1, with the exception of the MSR.

A context synchronizing operation must follow an alteration of any of the MSR bits listed in Sections L.1.1 and L.1.2, except MSR_{IP} if software does not care which value of this bit is used for non-recoverable System Reset and Machine Check interrupts.

Instructions fetched and/or executed after the alteration but before the context synchronizing operation may be fetched and/or executed in either the context that existed before the alteration or the context established by the alteration.

Multiple Alterations

When several of the registers listed in Section L.1 are altered with no intervening instructions that are affected by the alterations, no context synchronizing operations or *sync* instructions are required between the alterations.

Examples

- A single Segment Register is to be altered in isolation:

```
isync
mtsr SRn,Rx
isync
```

- All the Segment Registers are to be reloaded upon task dispatch at the end of an interrupt.

```
mtsr SR0,R...
mtsr SR1,R...
...
mtsr SR15,R...
rfi
```

Because this instruction sequence reloads all Segment Registers, it must be executed with MSR_{IR}=0 and therefore no synchronization is required before the Segment Registers are loaded. (If the Segment Register that is being used for instruction fetch is not to be reloaded, the sequence can be executed with MSR_{IR}=1, and still no such synchronization is required.) The *rfi* provides the needed synchronization after the Segment Registers have been loaded, and before subsequent instructions are fetched and subsequent loads and stores executed.

L.4 Additional Software Requirements

This section describes additional software requirements with respect to instruction fetching and address translation. The results of failing to satisfy these requirements are undefined.

MSR_{POWERLE}

A special sequence of instructions may be required for changing the Power Management Enable and Little-Endian Mode bits; see the Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features* document for the implementation.

MSR_{IR}

MSR_{IR} should be altered only from code that is mapped virtual equals real.

ASR

If MSR_{IR}=1, alteration of the ASR is permitted only if the instructions in storage immediately following the *mtspr* that alters the ASR are identical in both the old and the new address space. Any resulting changes in storage protection or storage access mode are not guaranteed to take effect until a context synchronizing operation is executed.

Segment Registers

No fields in the Segment Register that is being used for instruction fetch should be altered, with the exception of the Key bits (K_s and K_p). Alteration of the Key bits is always permitted. Any resulting changes in storage protection are not guaranteed to take effect until a context synchronizing operation is executed.

SDR1

SDR1 should be altered only when MSR_{IR}=0.

IBAT registers

No fields in the IBAT Register that is being used for instruction fetch should be altered, with the exception of the Valid (V) bit and the Key bits (K_s and K_p). Alteration of the V bit is permitted only if the instructions in storage immediately following the *mtspr* that alters the IBAT register are also mapped by the segmented address translation mechanism to the same address, or if the instructions are duplicated in the newly mapped space. Alteration of the Key bits is always permitted. Any resulting changes in storage protection or storage access mode are not guaranteed to take effect until a context synchronizing operation is executed.

To make an IBAT register valid in a manner such that the IBAT register then translates the current instruction stream, the following sequence should be used if fields in both the upper and lower IBAT registers are being altered.

1. The V bit in the IBAT register should be set to zero.
2. The other fields in the IBAT register should be initialized appropriately while the V bit remains zero.
3. The V bit should be set to one.
4. A context synchronizing operation should be executed.

If all altered fields are contained in either the upper or lower IBAT register, a single *mtspr* suffices (a synchronizing operation is not necessarily required).

Appendix M. Implementation-Specific SPRs

This appendix lists Special Purpose Register (SPR) numbers assigned by the PowerPC Architecture Review Process for implementation-specific uses. If a register shown here is present in a particular implementation, a detailed description will be found in Book IV, *PowerPC Implementation Features*.

The intent of this list is to ensure that if an SPR is needed for a particular function on more than one implementation, the same SPR number will be used.

Note that ordering of the bits shown in the table below matches the descriptions in *Move To/From Special Purpose Register* on pages 79 and 80. The two 5-bit halves of the SPR number are reversed from the order in which they appear in an assembled instruction.

| decimal | SPR | | Register name | Privileged |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------|
| | spr _{5:9} | spr _{0:4} | | |
| 1023 | 11111 | 11111 | PIR | yes |
| 1022 | 11111 | 11110 | FPECR | yes |

Processor ID Register (PIR)

This register holds a value that distinguishes this processor from others in a multiprocessor.

Floating-Point Exception Cause Register (FPECR)

This register identifies the reason a Floating-Point Exception occurred.

Appendix N. Interpretation of the DSISR as set by an Alignment Interrupt

For most causes of Alignment interrupt, the interrupt handler will emulate the interrupting instruction. To do this, it needs the following characteristics of the interrupting instruction:

- Load or store
- Length (half, word, or double)
- String, multiple, or elementary
- Fixed or float
- Update or non-update
- Byte reverse or not
- Is it *dcbz*?

The PowerPC Architecture provides this information implicitly, by setting opcode bits in the DSISR that identify the interrupting instruction type. It is not necessary for the interrupt handler to load the interrupting instruction from storage. The mapping is unique except for a few exceptions that are discussed below. The near-uniqueness depends upon the fact that many instructions cannot cause an Alignment interrupt, such as the fixed- and floating-point arithmetic instructions and the byte-width loads and stores.

See Section 13.5.6, "Alignment Interrupt" on page 196 for a description of how the opcode and extended opcode is mapped to a DSISR value for an X-, D-, or DS-form instruction that causes an Alignment interrupt.

The table on the next page shows the inverse mapping: how the DSISR bits identify the interrupting instruction. The following notes apply to this table.

(1) The instructions *lwz* and *lwarx* give the same DSISR bits (all zero). But if *lwarx* causes an alignment interrupt, it is an invalid form, so it need not be emulated in any precise way. It is adequate for the Alignment interrupt handler to simply emulate the instruction as if it were an *lwz*. It is important that the emulator use the address in the DAR, rather than computing it from RA/RB/D, because *lwz* and *lwarx* are different formats.

If opcode 0 ("Illegal or reserved") can cause an alignment interrupt, it will be indistinguishable from *lwarx* and *lwz*.

(2) These are distinguished by DSISR bits 12:13, which are not shown in the table.

The Alignment interrupt handler will not be able to distinguish a floating-point load or store interrupting because it is misaligned, or because it addresses direct-store. But this does not matter; in either case it will be emulated by doing the operation with fixed-point instructions.

The interrupt handler has no need to distinguish between an X-form instruction and the corresponding D- or DS-form instruction, if one exists. Therefore two such instructions may report the same DSISR value (all 32 bits). For example, *stw* and *stwx* may both report either the DSISR value shown in the following table for *stw*, or that shown for *stwx*.

| If DSISR 15:21 is: | then it is either X-form opcode: | or D/DS-form opcode: | so the instruction is: |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 00 0 0000 | 00000xxx00 | x00000 | lwarx, lwz, reserved (1) |
| 00 0 0001 | 00010xxx00 | x00010 | ldarx |
| 00 0 0010 | 00100xxx00 | x00100 | stw |
| 00 0 0011 | 00110xxx00 | x00110 | - |
| 00 0 0100 | 01000xxx00 | x01000 | lhz |
| 00 0 0101 | 01010xxx00 | x01010 | lha |
| 00 0 0110 | 01100xxx00 | x01100 | sth |
| 00 0 0111 | 01110xxx00 | x01110 | lmw |
| 00 0 1000 | 10000xxx00 | x10000 | lfs |
| 00 0 1001 | 10010xxx00 | x10010 | lfd |
| 00 0 1010 | 10100xxx00 | x10100 | stfs |
| 00 0 1011 | 10110xxx00 | x10110 | stfd |
| 00 0 1100 | 11000xxx00 | x11000 | - |
| 00 0 1101 | 11010xxx00 | x11010 | ld, ldu, lwa (2) |
| 00 0 1110 | 11100xxx00 | x11100 | - |
| 00 0 1111 | 11110xxx00 | x11110 | std, stdu (2) |
| 00 1 0000 | 00001xxx00 | x00001 | lwzu |
| 00 1 0001 | 00011xxx00 | x00011 | - |
| 00 1 0010 | 00101xxx00 | x00101 | stwu |
| 00 1 0011 | 00111xxx00 | x00111 | - |
| 00 1 0100 | 01001xxx00 | x01001 | lhzu |
| 00 1 0101 | 01011xxx00 | x01011 | lhau |
| 00 1 0110 | 01101xxx00 | x01101 | sthu |
| 00 1 0111 | 01111xxx00 | x01111 | stmw |
| 00 1 1000 | 10001xxx00 | x10001 | lfsu |
| 00 1 1001 | 10011xxx00 | x10011 | lfd |
| 00 1 1010 | 10101xxx00 | x10101 | stfsu |
| 00 1 1011 | 10111xxx00 | x10111 | stfdu |
| 00 1 1100 | 11001xxx00 | x11001 | - |
| 00 1 1101 | 11011xxx00 | x11011 | - |
| 00 1 1110 | 11101xxx00 | x11101 | - |
| 00 1 1111 | 11111xxx00 | x11111 | - |
| 01 0 0000 | 00000xxx01 | | ldx |
| 01 0 0001 | 00010xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 0010 | 00100xxx01 | | stdx |
| 01 0 0011 | 00110xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 0100 | 01000xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 0101 | 01010xxx01 | | lwax |
| 01 0 0110 | 01100xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 0111 | 01110xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 1000 | 10000xxx01 | | lswx |
| 01 0 1001 | 10010xxx01 | | lswi |
| 01 0 1010 | 10100xxx01 | | stswx |
| 01 0 1011 | 10110xxx01 | | stswi |
| 01 0 1100 | 11000xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 1101 | 11010xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 1110 | 11100xxx01 | | - |
| 01 0 1111 | 11110xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 0000 | 00001xxx01 | | ldux |
| 01 1 0001 | 00011xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 0010 | 00101xxx01 | | stdux |
| 01 1 0011 | 00111xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 0100 | 01001xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 0101 | 01011xxx01 | | lwaux |
| 01 1 0110 | 01101xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 0111 | 01111xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1000 | 10001xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1001 | 10011xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1010 | 10101xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1011 | 10111xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1100 | 11001xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1101 | 11011xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1110 | 11101xxx01 | | - |
| 01 1 1111 | 11111xxx01 | | - |

| If DSISR 15:21 is: | then it is either X-form opcode: | or D/DS-form opcode: | so the instruction is: |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 10 0 0000 | 00000xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 0001 | 00010xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 0010 | 00100xxx10 | | stwcx. |
| 10 0 0011 | 00110xxx10 | | stdcx. |
| 10 0 0100 | 01000xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 0101 | 01010xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 0110 | 01100xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 0111 | 01110xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 1000 | 10000xxx10 | | lwbrx |
| 10 0 1001 | 10010xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 1010 | 10100xxx10 | | stwbrx |
| 10 0 1011 | 10110xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 1100 | 11000xxx10 | | lhbrx |
| 10 0 1101 | 11010xxx10 | | - |
| 10 0 1110 | 11100xxx10 | | sthbrx |
| 10 0 1111 | 11110xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 0000 | 00001xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 0001 | 00011xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 0010 | 00101xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 0011 | 00111xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 0100 | 01001xxx10 | | eciwx |
| 10 1 0101 | 01011xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 0110 | 01101xxx10 | | ecowx |
| 10 1 0111 | 01111xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1000 | 10001xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1001 | 10011xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1010 | 10101xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1011 | 10111xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1100 | 11001xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1101 | 11011xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1110 | 11101xxx10 | | - |
| 10 1 1111 | 11111xxx10 | | dcbz |
| 11 0 0000 | 00000xxx11 | | lwzx |
| 11 0 0001 | 00010xxx11 | | - |
| 11 0 0010 | 00100xxx11 | | stwx |
| 11 0 0011 | 00110xxx11 | | - |
| 11 0 0100 | 01000xxx11 | | lhzx |
| 11 0 0101 | 01010xxx11 | | lhax |
| 11 0 0110 | 01100xxx11 | | sthx |
| 11 0 0111 | 01110xxx11 | | - |
| 11 0 1000 | 10000xxx11 | | lfsx |
| 11 0 1001 | 10010xxx11 | | lfdx |
| 11 0 1010 | 10100xxx11 | | stfsx |
| 11 0 1011 | 10110xxx11 | | stfdx |
| 11 0 1100 | 11000xxx11 | | - |
| 11 0 1101 | 11010xxx11 | | - |
| 11 0 1110 | 11100xxx11 | | - |
| 11 0 1111 | 11110xxx11 | | stfiwx |
| 11 1 0000 | 00001xxx11 | | lwzux |
| 11 1 0001 | 00011xxx11 | | - |
| 11 1 0010 | 00101xxx11 | | stwux |
| 11 1 0011 | 00111xxx11 | | - |
| 11 1 0100 | 01001xxx11 | | lhzux |
| 11 1 0101 | 01011xxx11 | | lhaux |
| 11 1 0110 | 01101xxx11 | | sthux |
| 11 1 0111 | 01111xxx11 | | - |
| 11 1 1000 | 10001xxx11 | | lfsux |
| 11 1 1001 | 10011xxx11 | | lfdux |
| 11 1 1010 | 10101xxx11 | | stfsux |
| 11 1 1011 | 10111xxx11 | | stfdux |
| 11 1 1100 | 11001xxx11 | | - |
| 11 1 1101 | 11011xxx11 | | - |
| 11 1 1110 | 11101xxx11 | | - |
| 11 1 1111 | 11111xxx11 | | - |

Appendix O. PowerPC Instruction Set Sorted by Opcode

This appendix lists all the instructions in the PowerPC Architecture. A page number is shown for instructions that are defined in this Book (Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1), and the Book number is shown for instructions that are defined in other Books (Part 2,

"PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). If an instruction is defined in more than one Book, the lowest-numbered Book is used.

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|---|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| D | 2 | | () | 61 | tdi | Trap Doubleword Immediate |
| D | 3 | | | 61 | twi | Trap Word Immediate |
| D | 7 | | | 55 | mulli | Multiply Low Immediate |
| D | 8 | | SR | 52 | subfic | Subtract From Immediate Carrying |
| D | 10 | | | 60 | cmpli | Compare Logical Immediate |
| D | 11 | | | 59 | cmpi | Compare Immediate |
| D | 12 | | SR | 51 | addic | Add Immediate Carrying |
| D | 13 | | SR | 51 | addic. | Add Immediate Carrying and Record |
| D | 14 | | | 50 | addi | Add Immediate |
| D | 15 | | | 50 | addis | Add Immediate Shifted |
| B | 16 | | CT | 21 | bc[l][a] | Branch Conditional |
| SC | 17 | 1 | | 23 | sc | System Call |
| I | 18 | | | 21 | b[l][a] | Branch |
| XL | 19 | 0 | | 26 | mcrf | Move Condition Register Field |
| XL | 19 | 16 | CT | 22 | bclr[l] | Branch Conditional to Link Register |
| XL | 19 | 33 | | 25 | crnor | Condition Register NOR |
| XL | 19 | 50 | | Bk III | rfi | Return From Interrupt |
| XL | 19 | 129 | | 25 | crandc | Condition Register AND with Complement |
| XL | 19 | 150 | | Bk II | isync | Instruction Synchronize |
| XL | 19 | 193 | | 24 | crxor | Condition Register XOR |
| XL | 19 | 225 | | 24 | crnand | Condition Register NAND |
| XL | 19 | 257 | | 24 | crand | Condition Register AND |
| XL | 19 | 289 | | 25 | creqv | Condition Register Equivalent |
| XL | 19 | 417 | | 25 | crorc | Condition Register OR with Complement |
| XL | 19 | 449 | | 24 | cror | Condition Register OR |
| XL | 19 | 528 | CT | 22 | bcctr[l] | Branch Conditional to Count Register |
| M | 20 | | SR | 74 | rlwimi[.] | Rotate Left Word Immediate then Mask Insert |
| M | 21 | | SR | 71 | rlwinm[.] | Rotate Left Word Immediate then AND with Mask |
| M | 23 | | SR | 73 | rlwnm[.] | Rotate Left Word then AND with Mask |
| D | 24 | | | 64 | ori | OR Immediate |
| D | 25 | | | 64 | oris | OR Immediate Shifted |
| D | 26 | | | 64 | xori | XOR Immediate |
| D | 27 | | | 64 | xoris | XOR Immediate Shifted |
| D | 28 | | SR | 63 | andi. | AND Immediate |
| D | 29 | | SR | 63 | andis. | AND Immediate Shifted |
| MD | 30 | 0 | (SR) | 70 | rldicl[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Left |
| MD | 30 | 1 | (SR) | 70 | rldicr[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Right |

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|---|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| MD | 30 | 2 | (SR) | 71 | rldic[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear |
| MD | 30 | 3 | (SR) | 74 | rldimi[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Mask Insert |
| MDS | 30 | 8 | (SR) | 72 | rldcl[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Left |
| MDS | 30 | 9 | (SR) | 73 | rldcr[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Right |
| X | 31 | 0 | | 59 | cmp | Compare |
| X | 31 | 4 | | 62 | tw | Trap Word |
| XO | 31 | 8 | SR | 52 | subfc[o][.] | Subtract From Carrying |
| XO | 31 | 9 | (SR) | 56 | mulhdu[.] | Multiply High Doubleword Unsigned |
| XO | 31 | 10 | SR | 52 | addc[o][.] | Add Carrying |
| XO | 31 | 11 | SR | 56 | mulhwu[.] | Multiply High Word Unsigned |
| X | 31 | 19 | | 81 | mfcr | Move From Condition Register |
| X | 31 | 20 | | 46 | lwarx | Load Word And Reserve Indexed |
| X | 31 | 21 | () | 35 | ldx | Load Doubleword Indexed |
| X | 31 | 23 | | 33 | lwzx | Load Word and Zero Indexed |
| X | 31 | 24 | SR | 75 | slw[.] | Shift Left Word |
| X | 31 | 26 | SR | 68 | cntlzw[.] | Count Leading Zeros Word |
| X | 31 | 27 | (SR) | 75 | sid[.] | Shift Left Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 28 | SR | 65 | and[.] | AND |
| X | 31 | 32 | | 60 | cmpl | Compare Logical |
| XO | 31 | 40 | SR | 51 | subf[o][.] | Subtract From |
| X | 31 | 53 | () | 35 | ldux | Load Doubleword with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 54 | | 134 | dcbst | Data Cache Block Store |
| X | 31 | 55 | | 33 | lwzux | Load Word and Zero with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 58 | (SR) | 68 | cntlzd[.] | Count Leading Zeros Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 60 | SR | 66 | andc[.] | AND with Complement |
| X | 31 | 68 | () | 62 | td | Trap Doubleword |
| XO | 31 | 73 | (SR) | 56 | mulhd[.] | Multiply High Doubleword |
| XO | 31 | 75 | SR | 56 | mulhw[.] | Multiply High Word |
| X | 31 | 83 | | Bk III | mfmsr | Move From Machine State Register |
| X | 31 | 84 | () | 46 | ldarx | Load Doubleword And Reserve Indexed |
| X | 31 | 86 | | 135 | dcbf | Data Cache Block Flush |
| X | 31 | 87 | | 30 | lbzx | Load Byte and Zero Indexed |
| XO | 31 | 104 | SR | 54 | neg[o][.] | Negate |
| X | 31 | 119 | | 30 | lbzux | Load Byte and Zero with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 124 | SR | 66 | nor[.] | NOR |
| XO | 31 | 136 | SR | 53 | subfe[o][.] | Subtract From Extended |
| XO | 31 | 138 | SR | 53 | adde[o][.] | Add Extended |
| XFX | 31 | 144 | | 80 | mtrcf | Move To Condition Register Fields |
| X | 31 | 146 | | Bk III | mtmsr | Move To Machine State Register |
| X | 31 | 149 | () | 39 | stdx | Store Doubleword Indexed |
| X | 31 | 150 | | 47 | stwcx. | Store Word Conditional Indexed |
| X | 31 | 151 | | 38 | stwx | Store Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 181 | () | 39 | stdux | Store Doubleword Indexed with Update |
| X | 31 | 183 | | 38 | stwux | Store Word with Update Indexed |
| XO | 31 | 200 | SR | 54 | subfze[o][.] | Subtract From Zero Extended |
| XO | 31 | 202 | SR | 54 | addze[o][.] | Add to Zero Extended |
| X | 31 | 210 | {} | Bk III | mtrsr | Move To Segment Register |
| X | 31 | 214 | () | 47 | stdcx. | Store Doubleword Conditional Indexed |
| X | 31 | 215 | | 36 | stbx | Store Byte Indexed |
| XO | 31 | 232 | SR | 53 | subfme[o][.] | Subtract From Minus One Extended |
| XO | 31 | 233 | | 55 | mulld[o][.] | Multiply Low Doubleword |
| XO | 31 | 234 | SR | 53 | addme[o][.] | Add to Minus One Extended |
| XO | 31 | 235 | | 55 | mullw[o][.] | Multiply Low Word |
| X | 31 | 242 | {} | Bk III | mtrsrin | Move To Segment Register Indirect |
| X | 31 | 246 | | 133 | dcbtst | Data Cache Block Touch for Store |
| X | 31 | 247 | | 36 | stbux | Store Byte with Update Indexed |
| XO | 31 | 266 | SR | 51 | add[o][.] | Add |
| X | 31 | 278 | | 133 | dcbt | Data Cache Block Touch |

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| X | 31 | 279 | | 31 | lhzx | Load Halfword and Zero Indexed |
| X | 31 | 284 | SR | 66 | eqv[.] | Equivalent |
| X | 31 | 306 | | Bk III | tlbie | TLB Invalidate Entry |
| X | 31 | 310 | | Bk III | eciwx | External Control In Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 311 | | 31 | lhzux | Load Halfword and Zero with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 316 | SR | 65 | xor[.] | XOR |
| XFX | 31 | 339 | | 80 | mfspr | Move From Special Purpose Register |
| X | 31 | 341 | () | 34 | lwax | Load Word Algebraic Indexed |
| X | 31 | 343 | | 32 | lhax | Load Halfword Algebraic Indexed |
| X | 31 | 370 | | Bk III | tlbia | TLB Invalidate All |
| XFX | 31 | 371 | | Bk II | mftb | Move From Time Base |
| X | 31 | 373 | () | 34 | lwaux | Load Word Algebraic with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 375 | | 32 | lhaux | Load Halfword Algebraic with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 407 | | 37 | sthx | Store Halfword Indexed |
| X | 31 | 412 | SR | 66 | orc[.] | OR with Complement |
| XS | 31 | 413 | (SR) | 77 | srad[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword Immediate |
| X | 31 | 434 | () | Bk III | slbie | SLB Invalidate Entry |
| X | 31 | 438 | | Bk III | ecowx | External Control Out Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 439 | | 37 | sthux | Store Halfword with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 444 | SR | 65 | or[.] | OR |
| XO | 31 | 457 | (SR) | 58 | divdu[o][.] | Divide Doubleword Unsigned |
| XO | 31 | 459 | SR | 58 | divwu[o][.] | Divide Word Unsigned |
| XFX | 31 | 467 | | 79 | mtspr | Move To Special Purpose Register |
| X | 31 | 470 | | 181 | dcbi | Data Cache Block Invalidate |
| X | 31 | 476 | SR | 65 | nand[.] | NAND |
| XO | 31 | 489 | (SR) | 57 | divd[o][.] | Divide Doubleword |
| XO | 31 | 491 | SR | 57 | divw[o][.] | Divide Word |
| X | 31 | 498 | () | Bk III | slbia | SLB Invalidate All |
| X | 31 | 512 | | 80 | mcrxr | Move to Condition Register from XER |
| X | 31 | 533 | | 44 | lswx | Load String Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 534 | | 40 | lwbrx | Load Word Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| X | 31 | 535 | | 100 | lfsx | Load Floating-Point Single Indexed |
| X | 31 | 536 | SR | 76 | srw[.] | Shift Right Word |
| X | 31 | 539 | (SR) | 76 | srd[.] | Shift Right Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 566 | | Bk III | tlbsync | TLB Synchronize |
| X | 31 | 567 | | 100 | lfsux | Load Floating-Point Single with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 595 | {} | Bk III | mfsr | Move From Segment Register |
| X | 31 | 597 | | 44 | lswi | Load String Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 598 | | 48 | sync | Synchronize |
| X | 31 | 599 | | 101 | lfdx | Load Floating-Point Double Indexed |
| X | 31 | 631 | | 101 | lfdx | Load Floating-Point Double with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 659 | {} | Bk III | mfsrin | Move From Segment Register Indirect |
| X | 31 | 661 | | 45 | stswx | Store String Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 662 | | 41 | stwbrx | Store Word Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| X | 31 | 663 | | 103 | stfsx | Store Floating-Point Single Indexed |
| X | 31 | 695 | | 103 | stfsux | Store Floating-Point Single with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 725 | | 45 | stswi | Store String Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 727 | | 104 | stfdx | Store Floating-Point Double Indexed |
| X | 31 | 759 | | 104 | stfdx | Store Floating-Point Double with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 790 | | 40 | lhbrx | Load Halfword Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| X | 31 | 792 | SR | 78 | sraw[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Word |
| X | 31 | 794 | (SR) | 78 | srad[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 824 | SR | 77 | srawi[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 854 | | Bk II | eieio | Enforce In-order Execution of I/O |
| X | 31 | 918 | | 41 | sthbrx | Store Halfword Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| X | 31 | 922 | SR | 67 | extsh[.] | Extend Sign Halfword |
| X | 31 | 954 | SR | 67 | extsb[.] | Extend Sign Byte |
| X | 31 | 982 | | 132 | icbi | Instruction Cache Block Invalidate |

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|---|---|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| X | 31 | 983 | (SR) | 208 | stfiwx | Store Floating-Point as Integer Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 986 | | 67 | extsw[.] | Extend Sign Word |
| X | 31 | 1014 | | 134 | dcbz | Data Cache Block set to Zero |
| D | 32 | | | 33 | lwz | Load Word and Zero |
| D | 33 | | | 33 | lwzu | Load Word and Zero with Update |
| D | 34 | | | 30 | lbz | Load Byte and Zero |
| D | 35 | | | 30 | lbzu | Load Byte and Zero with Update |
| D | 36 | | | 38 | stw | Store Word |
| D | 37 | | | 38 | stwu | Store Word with Update |
| D | 38 | | | 36 | stb | Store Byte |
| D | 39 | | | 36 | stbu | Store Byte with Update |
| D | 40 | | | 31 | lhz | Load Halfword and Zero |
| D | 41 | | | 31 | lhzu | Load Halfword and Zero with Update |
| D | 42 | | | 32 | lha | Load Halfword Algebraic |
| D | 43 | | | 32 | lhau | Load Halfword Algebraic with Update |
| D | 44 | | | 37 | sth | Store Halfword |
| D | 45 | | | 37 | sthu | Store Halfword with Update |
| D | 46 | | | 42 | lmw | Load Multiple Word |
| D | 47 | | | 42 | stmw | Store Multiple Word |
| D | 48 | | | 100 | lfs | Load Floating-Point Single |
| D | 49 | | | 100 | lfsu | Load Floating-Point Single with Update |
| D | 50 | | | 101 | lfd | Load Floating-Point Double |
| D | 51 | | 101 | lfdu | Load Floating-Point Double with Update | |
| D | 52 | | 103 | stfs | Store Floating-Point Single | |
| D | 53 | | 103 | stfsu | Store Floating-Point Single with Update | |
| D | 54 | | 104 | stfd | Store Floating-Point Double | |
| D | 55 | | 104 | stfdu | Store Floating-Point Double with Update | |
| DS | 58 | 0 | () | 35 | ld | Load Doubleword |
| DS | 58 | 1 | () | 35 | ldu | Load Doubleword with Update |
| DS | 58 | 2 | () | 34 | lwa | Load Word Algebraic |
| A | 59 | 18 | | 107 | fdivs[.] | Floating Divide Single |
| A | 59 | 20 | | 106 | fsubs[.] | Floating Subtract Single |
| A | 59 | 21 | | 106 | fadds[.] | Floating Add Single |
| A | 59 | 22 | | 209 | fsqrts[.] | Floating Square Root Single |
| A | 59 | 24 | | 209 | fres[.] | Floating Reciprocal Estimate Single |
| A | 59 | 25 | | 107 | fmuls[.] | Floating Multiply Single |
| A | 59 | 28 | | 108 | fmsubs[.] | Floating Multiply-Subtract Single |
| A | 59 | 29 | | 108 | fmadds[.] | Floating Multiply-Add Single |
| A | 59 | 30 | | 109 | fnmsubs[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract Single |
| A | 59 | 31 | | 109 | fnmadds[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Add Single |
| DS | 62 | 0 | () | 39 | std | Store Doubleword |
| DS | 62 | 1 | () | 39 | stdu | Store Doubleword with Update |
| X | 63 | 0 | | 113 | fcmpu | Floating Compare Unordered |
| X | 63 | 12 | | 110 | frsp[.] | Floating Round to Single-Precision |
| X | 63 | 14 | | 111 | fctiw[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Word |
| X | 63 | 15 | | 112 | fctiwz[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Word with round toward Zero |
| A | 63 | 18 | | 107 | fdiv[.] | Floating Divide |
| A | 63 | 20 | | 106 | fsub[.] | Floating Subtract |
| A | 63 | 21 | | 106 | fadd[.] | Floating Add |
| A | 63 | 22 | | 209 | fsqrt[.] | Floating Square Root |
| A | 63 | 23 | | 210 | fsel[.] | Floating Select |
| A | 63 | 25 | | 107 | fmul[.] | Floating Multiply |
| A | 63 | 26 | | 210 | frsqrt[.] | Floating Reciprocal Square Root Estimate |
| A | 63 | 28 | | 108 | fmsub[.] | Floating Multiply-Subtract |
| A | 63 | 29 | | 108 | fmadd[.] | Floating Multiply-Add |
| A | 63 | 30 | | 109 | fnmsub[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract |
| A | 63 | 31 | | 109 | fnmadd[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Add |
| X | 63 | 32 | | 113 | fcmpo | Floating Compare Ordered |

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|--|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| X | 63 | 38 | | 116 | mtfsb1[.] | Move To FPSCR Bit 1 |
| X | 63 | 40 | | 105 | fneg[.] | Floating Negate |
| X | 63 | 64 | | 114 | mcrfs | Move to Condition Register from FPSCR |
| X | 63 | 70 | | 116 | mtfsb0[.] | Move To FPSCR Bit 0 |
| X | 63 | 72 | | 105 | fmr[.] | Floating Move Register |
| X | 63 | 134 | | 115 | mtfsfi[.] | Move To FPSCR Field Immediate |
| X | 63 | 136 | | 105 | fnabs[.] | Floating Negative Absolute Value |
| X | 63 | 264 | | 105 | fabs[.] | Floating Absolute Value |
| X | 63 | 583 | | 114 | mffs[.] | Move From FPSCR |
| XFL | 63 | 711 | | 115 | mtfsf[.] | Move To FPSCR Fields |
| X | 63 | 814 | () | 110 | fctid[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Doubleword |
| X | 63 | 815 | () | 111 | fctidz[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Doubleword with round toward Zero |
| X | 63 | 846 | () | 112 | fcfid[.] | Floating Convert From Integer Doubleword |

¹See key to mode dependency column, on page 287.

Appendix P. PowerPC Instruction Set Sorted by Mnemonic

This appendix lists all the instructions in the PowerPC Architecture. A page number is shown for instructions that are defined in this Book (Part 1, "PowerPC User Instruction Set Architecture" on page 1), and the Book number is shown for instructions that are defined in other Books (Part 2,

"PowerPC Virtual Environment Architecture" on page 117, and Part 3, "PowerPC Operating Environment Architecture" on page 141). If an instruction is defined in more than one Book, the lowest-numbered Book is used.

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| XO | 31 | 266 | SR | 51 | add[o][.] | Add |
| XO | 31 | 10 | SR | 52 | addc[o][.] | Add Carrying |
| XO | 31 | 138 | SR | 53 | adde[o][.] | Add Extended |
| D | 14 | | | 50 | addi | Add Immediate |
| D | 12 | | SR | 51 | addic | Add Immediate Carrying |
| D | 13 | | SR | 51 | addic. | Add Immediate Carrying and Record |
| D | 15 | | | 50 | addis | Add Immediate Shifted |
| XO | 31 | 234 | SR | 53 | addme[o][.] | Add to Minus One Extended |
| XO | 31 | 202 | SR | 54 | addze[o][.] | Add to Zero Extended |
| X | 31 | 28 | SR | 65 | and[.] | AND |
| X | 31 | 60 | SR | 66 | andc[.] | AND with Complement |
| D | 28 | | SR | 63 | andi. | AND Immediate |
| D | 29 | | SR | 63 | andis. | AND Immediate Shifted |
| I | 18 | | | 21 | b[l][a] | Branch |
| B | 16 | | CT | 21 | bc[l][a] | Branch Conditional |
| XL | 19 | 528 | CT | 22 | bcctr[l] | Branch Conditional to Count Register |
| XL | 19 | 16 | CT | 22 | bclr[l] | Branch Conditional to Link Register |
| X | 31 | 0 | | 59 | cmp | Compare |
| D | 11 | | | 59 | cmpi | Compare Immediate |
| X | 31 | 32 | | 60 | cmpl | Compare Logical |
| D | 10 | | | 60 | cmpli | Compare Logical Immediate |
| X | 31 | 58 | (SR) | 68 | cntlzd[.] | Count Leading Zeros Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 26 | SR | 68 | cntlzw[.] | Count Leading Zeros Word |
| XL | 19 | 257 | | 24 | crand | Condition Register AND |
| XL | 19 | 129 | | 25 | crandc | Condition Register AND with Complement |
| XL | 19 | 289 | | 25 | creqv | Condition Register Equivalent |
| XL | 19 | 225 | | 24 | crnand | Condition Register NAND |
| XL | 19 | 33 | | 25 | crnor | Condition Register NOR |
| XL | 19 | 449 | | 24 | cror | Condition Register OR |
| XL | 19 | 417 | | 25 | crorc | Condition Register OR with Complement |
| XL | 19 | 193 | | 24 | crxor | Condition Register XOR |
| X | 31 | 86 | | 135 | dcbf | Data Cache Block Flush |
| X | 31 | 470 | | 181 | dcbi | Data Cache Block Invalidate |
| X | 31 | 54 | | 134 | dcbst | Data Cache Block Store |
| X | 31 | 278 | | 133 | dcbt | Data Cache Block Touch |
| X | 31 | 246 | | 133 | dcbtst | Data Cache Block Touch for Store |
| X | 31 | 1014 | | 134 | dcbz | Data Cache Block set to Zero |

| Form | Opcode | | Mode Dep. ¹ | Page / Bk | Mnemonic | Instruction |
|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| XO | 31 | 489 | (SR) | 57 | divd[o][.] | Divide Doubleword |
| XO | 31 | 457 | (SR) | 58 | divdu[o][.] | Divide Doubleword Unsigned |
| XO | 31 | 491 | SR | 57 | divw[o][.] | Divide Word |
| XO | 31 | 459 | SR | 58 | divwu[o][.] | Divide Word Unsigned |
| X | 31 | 310 | | Bk III | eciwx | External Control In Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 438 | | Bk III | ecowx | External Control Out Word Indexed |
| X | 31 | 854 | | Bk II | eieio | Enforce In-order Execution of I/O |
| X | 31 | 284 | SR | 66 | eqv[.] | Equivalent |
| X | 31 | 954 | SR | 67 | extsb[.] | Extend Sign Byte |
| X | 31 | 922 | SR | 67 | extsh[.] | Extend Sign Halfword |
| X | 31 | 986 | (SR) | 67 | extsw[.] | Extend Sign Word |
| X | 63 | 264 | | 105 | fabs[.] | Floating Absolute Value |
| A | 63 | 21 | | 106 | fadd[.] | Floating Add |
| A | 59 | 21 | | 106 | fadds[.] | Floating Add Single |
| X | 63 | 846 | () | 112 | fcfid[.] | Floating Convert From Integer Doubleword |
| X | 63 | 32 | | 113 | fcmpo | Floating Compare Ordered |
| X | 63 | 0 | | 113 | fcmpu | Floating Compare Unordered |
| X | 63 | 814 | () | 110 | ftcid[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Doubleword |
| X | 63 | 815 | () | 111 | ftcidz[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Doubleword with round toward Zero |
| X | 63 | 14 | | 111 | ftciw[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Word |
| X | 63 | 15 | | 112 | ftciwz[.] | Floating Convert To Integer Word with round toward Zero |
| A | 63 | 18 | | 107 | fdiv[.] | Floating Divide |
| A | 59 | 18 | | 107 | fdivs[.] | Floating Divide Single |
| A | 63 | 29 | | 108 | fmadd[.] | Floating Multiply-Add |
| A | 59 | 29 | | 108 | fmadds[.] | Floating Multiply-Add Single |
| X | 63 | 72 | | 105 | fmr[.] | Floating Move Register |
| A | 63 | 28 | | 108 | fmsub[.] | Floating Multiply-Subtract |
| A | 59 | 28 | | 108 | fmsubs[.] | Floating Multiply-Subtract Single |
| A | 63 | 25 | | 107 | fmul[.] | Floating Multiply |
| A | 59 | 25 | | 107 | fmuls[.] | Floating Multiply Single |
| X | 63 | 136 | | 105 | fnabs[.] | Floating Negative Absolute Value |
| X | 63 | 40 | | 105 | fneg[.] | Floating Negate |
| A | 63 | 31 | | 109 | fnmadd[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Add |
| A | 59 | 31 | | 109 | fnmadds[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Add Single |
| A | 63 | 30 | | 109 | fnmsub[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract |
| A | 59 | 30 | | 109 | fnmsubs[.] | Floating Negative Multiply-Subtract Single |
| A | 59 | 24 | | 209 | fres[.] | Floating Reciprocal Estimate Single |
| X | 63 | 12 | | 110 | frsp[.] | Floating Round to Single-Precision |
| A | 63 | 26 | | 210 | frsqte[.] | Floating Reciprocal Square Root Estimate |
| A | 63 | 23 | | 210 | fsel[.] | Floating Select |
| A | 63 | 22 | | 209 | fsqrt[.] | Floating Square Root |
| A | 59 | 22 | | 209 | fsqrts[.] | Floating Square Root Single |
| A | 63 | 20 | | 106 | fsub[.] | Floating Subtract |
| A | 59 | 20 | | 106 | fsubs[.] | Floating Subtract Single |
| X | 31 | 982 | | 132 | icbi | Instruction Cache Block Invalidate |
| XL | 19 | 150 | | Bk II | isync | Instruction Synchronize |
| D | 34 | | | 30 | lbz | Load Byte and Zero |
| D | 35 | | | 30 | lbzu | Load Byte and Zero with Update |
| X | 31 | 119 | | 30 | lbzux | Load Byte and Zero with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 87 | | 30 | lbzx | Load Byte and Zero Indexed |
| DS | 58 | 0 | () | 35 | ld | Load Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 84 | () | 46 | ldarx | Load Doubleword And Reserve Indexed |
| DS | 58 | 1 | () | 35 | ldu | Load Doubleword with Update |
| X | 31 | 53 | () | 35 | ldux | Load Doubleword with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 21 | () | 35 | ldx | Load Doubleword Indexed |
| D | 50 | | | 101 | lfd | Load Floating-Point Double |
| D | 51 | | | 101 | lfdw | Load Floating-Point Double with Update |

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|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|--|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| X | 31 | 631 | | 101 | lfdx | Load Floating-Point Double with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 599 | | 101 | lfdx | Load Floating-Point Double Indexed |
| D | 48 | | | 100 | lfs | Load Floating-Point Single |
| D | 49 | | | 100 | lfsu | Load Floating-Point Single with Update |
| X | 31 | 567 | | 100 | lfsux | Load Floating-Point Single with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 535 | | 100 | lfsx | Load Floating-Point Single Indexed |
| D | 42 | | | 32 | lha | Load Halfword Algebraic |
| D | 43 | | | 32 | lhau | Load Halfword Algebraic with Update |
| X | 31 | 375 | | 32 | lhax | Load Halfword Algebraic with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 343 | | 32 | lhax | Load Halfword Algebraic Indexed |
| X | 31 | 790 | | 40 | lhbrx | Load Halfword Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| D | 40 | | | 31 | lhz | Load Halfword and Zero |
| D | 41 | | | 31 | lhzu | Load Halfword and Zero with Update |
| X | 31 | 311 | | 31 | lhzux | Load Halfword and Zero with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 279 | | 31 | lhzx | Load Halfword and Zero Indexed |
| D | 46 | | | 42 | lmw | Load Multiple Word |
| X | 31 | 597 | | 44 | lswi | Load String Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 533 | | 44 | lswx | Load String Word Indexed |
| DS | 58 | 2 | () | 34 | lwa | Load Word Algebraic |
| X | 31 | 20 | | 46 | lwarx | Load Word And Reserve Indexed |
| X | 31 | 373 | () | 34 | lwaux | Load Word Algebraic with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 341 | () | 34 | lwax | Load Word Algebraic Indexed |
| X | 31 | 534 | | 40 | lwbrx | Load Word Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| D | 32 | | | 33 | lwz | Load Word and Zero |
| D | 33 | | | 33 | lwzu | Load Word and Zero with Update |
| X | 31 | 55 | | 33 | lwzux | Load Word and Zero with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 23 | | 33 | lwzx | Load Word and Zero Indexed |
| XL | 19 | 0 | | 26 | mcrf | Move Condition Register Field |
| X | 63 | 64 | | 114 | mcrfs | Move to Condition Register from FPSCR |
| X | 31 | 512 | | 80 | mcrxr | Move to Condition Register from XER |
| X | 31 | 19 | | 81 | mfc | Move From Condition Register |
| X | 63 | 583 | | 114 | mffs[.] | Move From FPSCR |
| X | 31 | 83 | | Bk III | mfmsr | Move From Machine State Register |
| XFX | 31 | 339 | | 79 | mfspr | Move From Special Purpose Register |
| X | 31 | 595 | {} | Bk III | mfsr | Move From Segment Register |
| X | 31 | 659 | {} | Bk III | mfsrin | Move From Segment Register Indirect |
| XFX | 31 | 371 | | Bk II | mftb | Move From Time Base |
| XFX | 31 | 144 | | 80 | mtcrf | Move To Condition Register Fields |
| X | 63 | 70 | | 116 | mtfsb0[.] | Move To FPSCR Bit 0 |
| X | 63 | 38 | | 116 | mtfsb1[.] | Move To FPSCR Bit 1 |
| XFL | 63 | 711 | | 115 | mtfsf[.] | Move To FPSCR Fields |
| X | 63 | 134 | | 115 | mtfsfi[.] | Move To FPSCR Field Immediate |
| X | 31 | 146 | | Bk III | mtmsr | Move To Machine State Register |
| XFX | 31 | 467 | | 79 | mtspr | Move To Special Purpose Register |
| X | 31 | 210 | {} | Bk III | mtsr | Move To Segment Register |
| X | 31 | 242 | {} | Bk III | mtsrin | Move To Segment Register Indirect |
| XO | 31 | 73 | (SR) | 56 | mulhd[.] | Multiply High Doubleword |
| XO | 31 | 9 | (SR) | 56 | mulhdu[.] | Multiply High Doubleword Unsigned |
| XO | 31 | 75 | SR | 56 | mulhw[.] | Multiply High Word |
| XO | 31 | 11 | SR | 56 | mulhwu[.] | Multiply High Word Unsigned |
| XO | 31 | 233 | | 55 | mulld[o][.] | Multiply Low Doubleword |
| D | 7 | | | 55 | mulli | Multiply Low Immediate |
| XO | 31 | 235 | | 55 | mullw[o][.] | Multiply Low Word |
| X | 31 | 476 | SR | 65 | nand[.] | NAND |
| XO | 31 | 104 | SR | 54 | neg[o][.] | Negate |
| X | 31 | 124 | SR | 66 | nor[.] | NOR |
| X | 31 | 444 | SR | 65 | or[.] | OR |
| X | 31 | 412 | SR | 66 | orc[.] | OR with Complement |

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|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| D | 24 | | | 64 | ori | OR Immediate |
| D | 25 | | | 64 | oris | OR Immediate Shifted |
| XL | 19 | 50 | | Bk III | rfl | Return From Interrupt |
| MDS | 30 | 8 | (SR) | 72 | ridcl[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Left |
| MDS | 30 | 9 | (SR) | 73 | ridcr[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword then Clear Right |
| MD | 30 | 2 | (SR) | 71 | rdic[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear |
| MD | 30 | 0 | (SR) | 70 | rdicl[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Left |
| MD | 30 | 1 | (SR) | 70 | rdicr[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Clear Right |
| MD | 30 | 3 | (SR) | 74 | rdimi[.] | Rotate Left Doubleword Immediate then Mask Insert |
| M | 20 | | SR | 74 | rlwimi[.] | Rotate Left Word Immediate then Mask Insert |
| M | 21 | | SR | 71 | rlwinm[.] | Rotate Left Word Immediate then AND with Mask |
| M | 23 | | SR | 73 | rlwnm[.] | Rotate Left Word then AND with Mask |
| SC | 17 | 1 | | 23 | sc | System Call |
| X | 31 | 498 | () | Bk III | slbia | SLB Invalidate All |
| X | 31 | 434 | () | Bk III | slbie | SLB Invalidate Entry |
| X | 31 | 27 | (SR) | 75 | sld[.] | Shift Left Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 24 | SR | 75 | slw[.] | Shift Left Word |
| X | 31 | 794 | (SR) | 78 | sradi[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword |
| XS | 31 | 413 | (SR) | 77 | sradl[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Doubleword Immediate |
| X | 31 | 792 | SR | 78 | sraw[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Word |
| X | 31 | 824 | SR | 77 | srawl[.] | Shift Right Algebraic Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 539 | (SR) | 76 | srd[.] | Shift Right Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 536 | SR | 76 | srw[.] | Shift Right Word |
| D | 38 | | | 36 | stb | Store Byte |
| D | 39 | | | 36 | stbu | Store Byte with Update |
| X | 31 | 247 | | 36 | stbux | Store Byte with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 215 | | 36 | stbx | Store Byte Indexed |
| DS | 62 | 0 | () | 39 | std | Store Doubleword |
| X | 31 | 214 | () | 47 | stdcx. | Store Doubleword Conditional Indexed |
| DS | 62 | 1 | () | 39 | stdu | Store Doubleword with Update |
| X | 31 | 181 | () | 39 | stdux | Store Doubleword Indexed with Update |
| X | 31 | 149 | () | 39 | stdx | Store Doubleword Indexed |
| D | 54 | | | 104 | stfd | Store Floating-Point Double |
| D | 55 | | | 104 | stfdu | Store Floating-Point Double with Update |
| X | 31 | 759 | | 104 | stfdx | Store Floating-Point Double with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 727 | | 104 | stfdx | Store Floating-Point Double Indexed |
| X | 31 | 983 | | 208 | stfiwx | Store Floating-Point as Integer Word Indexed |
| D | 52 | | | 103 | stfs | Store Floating-Point Single |
| D | 53 | | | 103 | stfsu | Store Floating-Point Single with Update |
| X | 31 | 695 | | 103 | stfsux | Store Floating-Point Single with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 663 | | 103 | stfsx | Store Floating-Point Single Indexed |
| D | 44 | | | 37 | sth | Store Halfword |
| X | 31 | 918 | | 41 | sthbrx | Store Halfword Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| D | 45 | | | 37 | sthu | Store Halfword with Update |
| X | 31 | 439 | | 37 | sthux | Store Halfword with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 407 | | 37 | sthx | Store Halfword Indexed |
| D | 47 | | | 42 | stmw | Store Multiple Word |
| X | 31 | 725 | | 45 | stswi | Store String Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 661 | | 45 | stswx | Store String Word Indexed |
| D | 36 | | | 38 | stw | Store Word |
| X | 31 | 662 | | 41 | stwbrx | Store Word Byte-Reverse Indexed |
| X | 31 | 150 | | 47 | stwcx. | Store Word Conditional Indexed |
| D | 37 | | | 38 | stwu | Store Word with Update |
| X | 31 | 183 | | 38 | stwux | Store Word with Update Indexed |
| X | 31 | 151 | | 38 | stwx | Store Word Indexed |
| XO | 31 | 40 | SR | 51 | subf[o][.] | Subtract From |
| XO | 31 | 8 | SR | 52 | subfc[o][.] | Subtract From Carrying |
| XO | 31 | 136 | SR | 53 | subfe[o][.] | Subtract From Extended |

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|------|---------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| | Primary | Extend | | | | |
| D | 8 | | SR | 52 | subfic | Subtract From Immediate Carrying |
| XO | 31 | 232 | SR | 53 | subfme[o][.] | Subtract From Minus One Extended |
| XO | 31 | 200 | SR | 54 | subfze[o][.] | Subtract From Zero Extended |
| X | 31 | 598 | | 48 | sync | Synchronize |
| X | 31 | 68 | () | 62 | td | Trap Doubleword |
| D | 2 | | () | 61 | tdi | Trap Doubleword Immediate |
| X | 31 | 370 | | Bk III | tlbia | TLB Invalidate All |
| X | 31 | 306 | | Bk III | tlbie | TLB Invalidate Entry |
| X | 31 | 566 | | Bk III | tlbsync | TLB Synchronize |
| X | 31 | 4 | | 62 | tw | Trap Word |
| D | 3 | | | 61 | twi | Trap Word Immediate |
| X | 31 | 316 | SR | 65 | xor[.] | XOR |
| D | 26 | | | 64 | xori | XOR Immediate |
| D | 27 | | | 64 | xoris | XOR Immediate Shifted |

¹Key to Mode Dependency Column

The entry is shown in parentheses () if the instruction is defined only for 64-bit implementations.

The entry is shown in braces { } if the instruction is defined only for 32-bit implementations.

blank The instruction has no mode dependence, except that if the instruction refers to storage when in 32-bit mode, only the low-order 32 bits of the 64-bit effective address are used to address storage. Storage reference instructions include loads, stores, branch instructions, etc.

CT If the instruction tests the Count Register, it tests the low-order 32 bits when in 32-bit mode, and all 64 bits when in 64-bit mode.

SR The instruction's primary function is mode-independent, but the setting of status registers (such as XER and CR0) is mode-dependent.

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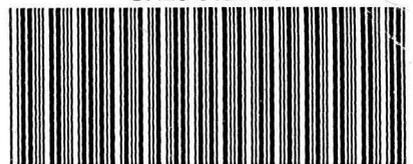
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