RISC-V Cryptography Extensions Volume III

Extra Vector Instructions

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Colophon

This document describes the Vector Cryptography Extra extensions to the RISC-V Instruction Set Architecture.

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Chapter 1. Introduction

This document describes the proposed *vector extra* cryptography extensions for RISC-V. Those extensions extend the *vector* cryptography extensions for RISC-V, providing extra features not mandatory for a high performace implementation but which can help further improve the efficiency of the algorithms that use them. All instructions proposed here are based on the Vector registers.

Chapter 2. Extensions Overview

The section introduces all of the extensions in the Vector Cryptography Extra Instruction Set Extension Specification.

All the Vector Crypto Extra Extensions can be built on *any* embedded (Zve*) or application ("V") base Vector Extension.

All *cryptography-specific* instructions defined in this Vector Crypto specification (i.e., those in Zvkgs, but *not* Zvbc32e) shall be executed with data-independent execution latency as defined in the RISC-V Scalar Cryptography Extensions specification. It is important to note that the Vector Crypto instructions are independent of the implementation of the `Zkt` extension and do not require that `Zkt` is implemented.

Detection of individual cryptography extensions uses the unified software-based RISC-V discovery method.

> **ℹ** At the time of writing, these discovery mechanisms are still a work in progress.

2.1. Zvbc32e - Vector Carryless Multiplication

General purpose carryless multiplication instructions which are commonly used in cryptography and hashing (e.g., Elliptic curve cryptography, GHASH, CRC).

These instructions are only defined for `SEW`=32. Zvbc32e can be supported when `ELEN >=32`.

Note

The extension `Zvbc32e` is independent from `Zvbc` which defines the same instructions for `SEW=64`. When `ELEN>=64` both extensions can be combined to have `vclmul.v[vx]` and `vclmulh.v[vx]` defined for both `SEW=32` and `SEW=64`.

Mnemonic	Instruction
`vclmul.[vv,vx]`	Vector Carry-less Multiply
`vclmulh.[vv,vx]`	[insns-vclmulh-32e]

2.2. `Zvkgs` - Vector-Scalar GCM/GMAC

`Zvkgs` depends on `Zvkg`, it extends the existing `vghsh.vv` and `vgmul.vv` instructions with new vector-scalar variants: `vghsh.vs` and `vgmul.vs`.

Instructions to enable the efficient implementation of parallel versions of GHASH_H which is used in Galois/Counter Mode (GCM) and Galois Message Authentication Code (GMAC).

The instructions inherit the same constraints as the ones mandated for `Zvkg` instructions: (element group size, data independent execution timing and `vl`/`vstart` multiple constraints).

All of these instructions work on 128-bit element groups comprised of four 32-bit elements, in element group parlance `EGS=4`, `EGW=128` and the instructions are only defined for `SEW=32`.

To help avoid side-channel timing attacks, these instructions shall always be implemented with data-independent timing.

The number of element groups to be processed is `vl`/`EGS`. `vl` must be set to the number of `SEW=32` elements to be processed and therefore must be a multiple of `EGS=4`.
Likewise, `vstart` must be a multiple of `EGS=4`.

SEW	EGW	Mnemonic	Instruction
32	128	`vghsh.vs`	Vector-Scalar GHASH Add-Multiply
32	128	`vgmul.vs`	Vector GHASH Multiply

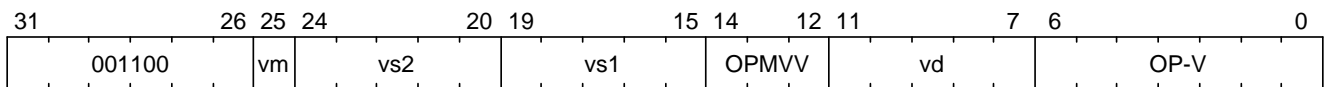# Chapter 3. Instructions

3.1. vclmul.[vv,vx]

Synopsis

Vector Carry-less Multiply by vector or scalar - returning low half of product.

Mnemonic

vclmul.vv vd, vs2, vs1, vm
vclmul.vx vd, vs2, rs1, vm

Encoding (Vector-Vector)
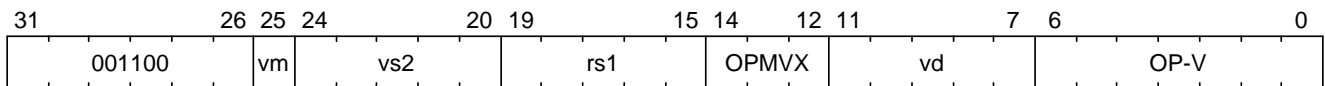
31	26	25	24	20	19	15	14	12	11	7	6	0
001100		vm	vs2		vs1		OPMVV		vd		OP-V	

Encoding (Vector-Scalar)

31	26	25	24	20	19	15	14	12	11	7	6	0
001100		vm	vs2		rs1		OPMVX		vd		OP-V	

Reserved Encodings

- SEW is any value other than 32 (Zvbc32e only)
- SEW is any value other than 64 (Zvbc only)
- SEW is any value other than 32 or 64 (Zvbc and Zvbc32e)

Arguments

Register	Direction	Definition
vs1/rs1	input	multiplier
vs2	input	multiplicand
vd	output	lower part of carry-less multiply

> ℹ️ vclmul instruction was initially defined in Zvbc with only SEW=64-bit support, this page describes how the specification is extended in Zvbc32e to support SEW=32 bits.

Description

Produces the low half of 2*SEW-bit carry-less product.

Each SEW-bit element in the vs2 vector register is carry-less multiplied by either each SEW-bit element in vs1 (vector-vector), or the SEW-bit value from integer register rs1 (vector-scalar). The result is the least significant SEW bits of the carry-less product.

> ℹ️ The 32-bit carryless multiply instructions can be used for implementing GCM in the absence of the zvkg extension. In particular for implementation with ELEN=32

where `Zvkg` cannot be implemented. It can also be used to speed-up CRC evaluation.

Operation

```
function clause execute (VCLMUL(vs2, vs1, vd, suffix)) = {

  foreach (i from vstart to vl-1) {
    let op1 : bits (SEW) = if suffix =="vv" then get_velem(vs1, i)
                           else zext_or_truncate_to_sew(X(vs1));
    let op2 : bits (SEW) = get_velem(vs2, i);
    let product : bits (SEW) = clmul(op1, op2, SEW);
    set_velem(vd, i, product);
  }
  RETIRE_SUCCESS
}

function clmul(x, y, width) = {
  let result : bits(width) = zeros();
  foreach (i from 0 to (width - 1)) {
    if y[i] == 1 then result = result ^ (x << i);
  }
  result
}
```

Included in

Zvbc32e

3.2. vclmulh.[vv,vx]

Synopsis

Vector Carry-less Multiply by vector or scalar - returning high half of product.

Mnemonic

vclmulh.vv vd, vs2, vs1, vm
vclmulh.vx vd, vs2, rs1, vm

Encoding (Vector-Vector)
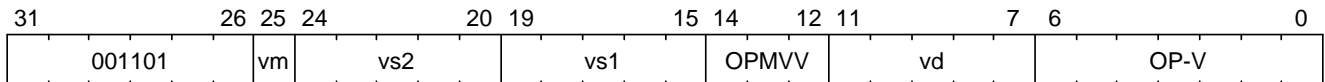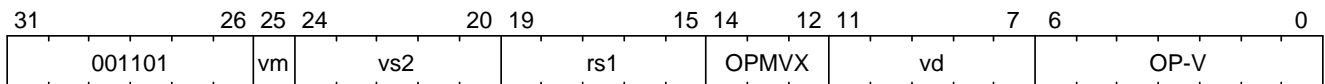
31 26	25	24 20	19 15	14 12	11 7	6 0
001101	vm	vs2	vs1	OPMVV	vd	OP-V

Encoding (Vector-Scalar)

31 26	25	24 20	19 15	14 12	11 7	6 0
001101	vm	vs2	rs1	OPMVX	vd	OP-V

Reserved Encodings

- SEW is any value other than 64 (Zvbc only)

- SEW is any value other than 32 (Zvbc32e only)

- SEW is any value other than 32 or 64 (Zvbc32e and Zvbc)

Arguments

Register	Direction	Definition
vs1/rs1	input	multiplier
vs2	input	multiplicand
vd	output	upper part of carry-less multiply

> ℹ️ vclmulh instruction was initially defined in Zvbc, this page describes how the specification is extended in Zvbc32e to support SEW=32 bits.

Description

Produces the high half of 2*SEW-bit carry-less product.

Each SEW-bit element in the vs2 vector register is carry-less multiplied by either each SEW-bit element in vs1 (vector-vector), or the SEW-bit value from integer register rs1 (vector-scalar). The result is the most significant SEW bits of the carry-less product.

Operation

```
function clause execute (VCLMULH(vs2, vs1, vd, suffix)) = {

  foreach (i from vstart to vl-1) {
```

```
      let op1 : bits (SEW) = if suffix =="vv" then get_velem(vs1,i)
                             else zext_or_truncate_to_sew(X(vs1));
      let op2 : bits (SEW) = get_velem(vs2, i);
      let product : bits (SEW) = clmulh(op1, op2, SEW);
      set_velem(vd, i, product);
  }
  RETIRE_SUCCESS
}

function clmulh(x, y, width) = {
  let result : bits(width) = 0;
  foreach (i from 1 to (width - 1)) {
    if y[i] == 1 then result = result ^ (x >> (width - i));
  }
  result
}
```

Included in

Zvbc32e

3.3. vghsh.vs

Synopsis

Vector-Scalar Add-Multiply over GHASH Galois-Field

Mnemonic

vghsh.vs vd, vs2, vs1

Encoding (Vector-Scalar)

31	26	25	24	20	19	15	14	12	11	7	6	0
101100		1	vs2		vs1		OPMVV		vd		OP-P	

Reserved Encodings

- SEW is any value other than 32

Arguments

Register	Direction	EGW	EGS	SEW	Definition
Vd	input	128	4	32	Partial hash (Y_i)
Vs1	input	128	4	32	Cipher text (X_i)
Vs2	input	128	4	32	Hash Subkey (H)
Vd	output	128	4	32	Partial-hash (Y_{i+1})

Description

A single "iteration" of the $GHASH_H$ algorithm is performed.

The previous partial hashes are read as 4-element groups from 'vd', the cipher texts are read as 4-element groups from vs1 and the hash subkeys are read from the scalar element group in vs2. The resulting partial hashes are writen as 4-element groups into vd.

This instruction treats all of the input and output element groups as 128-bit polynomials and performs operations over GF[2]. It produces the next partial hash (Y_{i+1}) by adding the current partial hash (Y_i) to the cipher text block (X_i) and then multiplying (over $GF(2^{128})$) this sum by the Hash Subkey (H).

The multiplication over $GF(2^{128})$ is a carryless multiply of two 128-bit polynomials modulo GHASH's irreducible polynomial ($x^{128} + x^7 + x^2 + x + 1$).

The operation can be compactly defined as $Y_{i+1} = ((Y_i \wedge X_i) \cdot H)$

The NIST specification (see [zvkg]) orders the coefficients from left to right $x_0x_1x_2...x_{127}$ for a polynomial $x_0 + x_1u + x_2 u^2 + ... + x_{127}u^{127}$. This can be viewed as a collection of byte elements in memory with the byte containing the lowest coefficients (i.e., 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7) residing at the lowest memory address. Since the bits in the bytes are reversed, This instruction internally performs bit swaps within bytes to put the bits in the standard ordering (e.g., 7,6,5,4,3,2,1,0).

This instruction must always be implemented such that its execution latency does not depend on

the data being operated upon.

> ℹ️ We are bit-reversing the bytes of inputs and outputs so that the intermediate values are consistent with the NIST specification. These reversals are inexpensive to implement as they unconditionally swap bit positions and therefore do not require any logic.

Operation

```
function clause execute (VGHSHVS(vs2, vs1, vd)) = {
  // operands are input with bits reversed in each byte
  if(LMUL*VLEN < EGW)  then {
    handle_illegal();  // illegal instruction exception
    RETIRE_FAIL
  } else {

  eg_len = (vl/EGS)
  eg_start = (vstart/EGS)

  // H is component to all element groups
  let helem = 0;
  let H = brev8(get_velem(vs2, EGW=128, helem)); // Hash subkey

  foreach (i from eg_start to eg_len-1) {
    let Y = get_velem(vd,EGW=128,i);  // current partial-hash
    let X = get_velem(vs1,EGW=128,i);  // block cipher output

    let Z : bits(128) = 0;

    let S = brev8(Y ^ X);

    for (int bit = 0; bit < 128; bit++) {
      if bit_to_bool(S[bit])
        Z ^= H

      bool reduce = bit_to_bool(H[127]);
      H = H << 1; // left shift H by 1
      if (reduce)
        H ^= 0x87; // Reduce using x^7 + x^2 + x^1 + 1 polynomial
    }

    let result = brev8(Z); // bit reverse bytes to get back to GCM standard ordering
    set_velem(vd, EGW=128, i, result);
  }
  RETIRE_SUCCESS
  }
}
```

Included in

Zvkgs

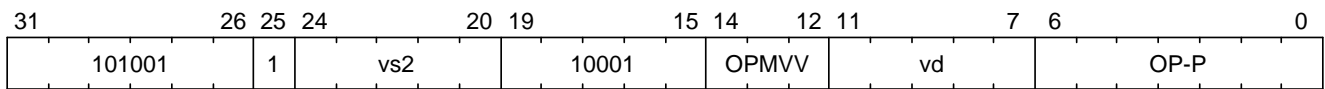# 3.4. vgmul.vs

Synopsis

Vector-Scalar Multiply over GHASH Galois-Field

Mnemonic

vgmul.vs vd, vs2

Encoding (Vector-Scalar)

31	26	25	24	20	19	15	14	12	11	7	6	0
101001		1	vs2		10001		OPMVV		vd		OP-P	

Reserved Encodings

- SEW is any value other than 32

Arguments

Register	Direction	EGW	EGS	SEW	Definition
Vd	input	128	4	32	Multiplier
Vs2	input	128	4	32	Multiplicand
Vd	output	128	4	32	Product

Description

A GHASH$_H$ multiply is performed.

The multipliers are read as 4-element groups from 'vd', the multiplicands subkeys are read from the scalar element group in vs2. The resulting products are written as 4-element groups into vd.

This instruction treats all of the inputs and outputs as 128-bit polynomials and performs operations over GF[2]. It produces the product over GF(2^{128}) of the two 128-bit inputs.

The multiplication over GF(2^{128}) is a carryless multiply of two 128-bit polynomials modulo GHASH's irreducible polynomial ($x^{128} + x^7 + x^2 + x + 1$).

The NIST specification (see [zvkg]) orders the coefficients from left to right $x_0 x_1 x_2 ... x_{127}$ for a polynomial $x_0 + x_1 u + x_2 u^2 + ... + x_{127} u^{127}$. This can be viewed as a collection of byte elements in memory with the byte containing the lowest coefficients (i.e., 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7) residing at the lowest memory address. Since the bits in the bytes are reversed, This instruction internally performs bit swaps within bytes to put the bits in the standard ordering (e.g., 7,6,5,4,3,2,1,0).

This instruction must always be implemented such that its execution latency does not depend on the data being operated upon.

> We are bit-reversing the bytes of inputs and outputs so that the intermediate values are consistent with the NIST specification. These reversals are inexpensive to implement as they unconditionally swap bit positions and therefore do not require any logic.

Similarly to how the instruction `vgmul.vv` is identical to `vghsh.vv` with the value of vs1 register being 0, the instruction `vgmul.vs` is identical to `vghsh.vs` with the value of vs1 being 0. This instruction is often used in GHASH code. In some cases it is followed by an XOR to perform a multiply-add. Implementations may choose to fuse these two instructions to improve performance on GHASH code that doesn't use the add-multiply form of the `vghsh.vv` instruction.

Operation

```
function clause execute (VGMUL(vs2, vs1, vd, suffix)) = {
  // operands are input with bits reversed in each byte
  if(LMUL*VLEN < EGW)  then {
    handle_illegal();  // illegal instruction exception
    RETIRE_FAIL
  } else {

  eg_len = (vl/EGS)
  eg_start = (vstart/EGS)
  // H multiplicand is constant for all loop iterations
  let helem = 0;
  let H = brev8(get_velem(vs2,EGW=128, helem)); // Multiplicand

  foreach (i from eg_start to eg_len-1) {
    let Y = brev8(get_velem(vd,EGW=128,i));  // Multiplier
    let Z : bits(128) = 0;

    for (int bit = 0; bit < 128; bit++) {
      if bit_to_bool(Y[bit])
        Z ^= H

      bool reduce = bit_to_bool(H[127]);
      H = H << 1; // left shift H by 1
      if (reduce)
        H ^= 0x87; // Reduce using x^7 + x^2 + x^1 + 1 polynomial
    }


    let result = brev8(Z);
    set_velem(vd, EGW=128, i, result);
  }
  RETIRE_SUCCESS
  }
}
```

Included in

Zvkgs

Chapter 4. Bibliography

Chapter 5. Encodings

Appendix A: Crypto Vector Cryptographic Instructions

OP-P (0x77) Crypto Vector instructions, including Zvkgs, except Zvbb and Zvbc The new/modified encoding are in bold and underlined.

Integer				Integer			FP			
funct3				funct3			funct3			
OPIVV	V			OPMVV	V		OPFVV	V		
OPIVX		X		OPMVX		X	OPFVF		F	
OPIVI			I							

funct6			funct6			funct6		
100000			100000	V	vsm3me	100000		
100001			100001	V	vsm4k.vi	100001		
100010			100010	V	vaesfk1.vi	100010		
100011			100011	V	***vghsh.vs***	100011		
100100			100100			100100		
100101			100101			100101		
100110			100110			100110		
100111			100111			100111		
101000			101000	V	VAES.vv	101000		
101001			101001	V	**VAES.vs**	101001		
101010			101010	V	vaesfk2.vi	101010		
101011			101011	V	vsm3c.vi	101011		
101100			101100	V	vghsh	101100		
101101			101101	V	vsha2ms	101101		
101110			101110	V	vsha2ch	101110		
101111			101111	V	vsha2cl	101111		

Table 1. VAES.vv and VAES.vs encoding space

vs1	
00000	vaesdm
00001	vaesdf
00010	vaesem
00011	vaesef
00111	vaesz
10000	vsm4r
10001	***vgmul***