## Low-Level Shading Languages Reference

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## Instructions

Table A. 1 lists all of the instructions that are common to both ARB_vertex_program and ARB_fragment_program. Table A. 2 lists the instructions that are only available in ARB_vertex_program, and Table A. 3 lists the instructions that are only available in ARB_fragment_program.

Table A. 1 Shared Instructions

| Instruction | Meaning | Input | Output | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ABS | Absolute Value | ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}, \mathrm{w}$ ) | (\|x|, |y|, |z|, |w|) | Calculates the absolute value of each component of the source vector. |
| ADD | Addition | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1+x 2, y 1+y 2 \\ & z 1+z 2, w 1+w 2) \end{aligned}$ | Adds the two source vectors component-wise. |
| DP3 | 3-component dot product | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (d, d, d, d) \text { where } \\ & +y 1 \text { * } y 2+z 1 \text { * z2 } \\ & d=x 1^{*} x 2 \end{aligned}$ | Calculates a 3-component scalar (dot) product of the source vectors and writes the result to all components of the destination vector. |
| DP4 | 4-component dot product | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1) \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (d, d, d, d) \text { where } \\ & d=x 1^{*} x 2 \\ & +y 1^{*} y 2+z 1^{*} z 2 \\ & +w 1^{*} w 2 \end{aligned}$ | Calculates a 4-component scalar (dot) product of the source vectors and writes the result to all components of the destination vector. |



| MIN | Minimum | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (\min (x 1, x 2), \min (y 1, y 2), \\ & \min (z 1, z 2), \min (w 1, w 2)) \end{aligned}$ | Calculates the componentwise minimum of the two source vectors. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MOV | Move | ( $\mathrm{x} 1, \mathrm{y} 1, \mathrm{z} 1, \mathrm{w} 1$ ) | ( $\mathrm{x} 1, \mathrm{y} 1, \mathrm{z} 1, \mathrm{w} 1$ ) | Copies the source vector into the destination vector. |
| MUL | Multiplication | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left(x 1^{*} \times 2, y 1\right. \text { * y2, z1 } \\ & \text { *2, w1 * w2) } \end{aligned}$ | Multiplies the two source vectors component-wise. |
| POW | Power | s, p | $\left(s^{\wedge} p, s^{\wedge} p, s^{\wedge} p, s^{\wedge} p\right)$ | Raises the first scalar operand to the power of the second scalar operand and writes the result to all four components of the destination vector. |
| RCP | Reciprocal | s | (1/s, 1/s, 1/s, 1/s) | Calculates the reciprocal of the scalar operand and writes the result to all four components of the destination vector. |
| RSQ | Reciprocal square root | s | (1/sqrt(s), $1 /$ sqrt(s), 1/sqrt(s), 1/sqrt(s)) | Calculates the reciprocal of the scalar operand and writes the result to all four components of the destination vector. |
| SGE | Set On Greater Than Or Equal | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (\mathrm{x} 1>=\mathrm{x} 2 \text { ? } 1.0: 0.0, \\ & \mathrm{y} 1>=\mathrm{y} 2 ? 1.0: 0.0, \mathrm{z} 1 \\ & >=\mathrm{z2} ? 1.0: 0.0, \mathrm{w} 1 \end{aligned}$ | Compares the two source vectors component-wise, setting the corresponding component of the destination vector if the first source is greater than or equal to the second. |
| SLT | Set On Less Than | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1<x 2 ? 1.0: 0.0, \mathrm{y} 1 \\ & <\mathrm{y} 2 ? 1.0: 0.0, \mathrm{z} 1 \\ & <\mathrm{z} 2 ? 1.0: 0.0, \mathrm{w} 1 \\ & <\mathrm{w} 2 ? 1.0: 0.0) \end{aligned}$ | Compares the two source vectors component-wise, setting the corresponding component of the destination vector if the first source is less than the second. |
| SUB | Subtraction | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1--x 2, y 1--y 2 \\ & z 1--z 2, w 1--w 2) \end{aligned}$ | Subtracts the two source vectors component-wise. |


| SWZ | Extended Swizzle | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1) \\ & c 1, c 2, c 3, c 4 \end{aligned}$ | (c1, c2, c3, c4) | Reorders the components of a source vector, optionally negating selected components or replacing them with a constant. The parameters c1-c4 can be $x_{1}$, $-x, y,-y, z,-z, w,-w, 0,1$ or -1 . The corresponding component of the source vector, or the given constant, is used as the component of the destination vector. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| XPD | Cross Product | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, N / A) \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, N / A) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \left(y 1^{*} z 2-z 1^{*} y 2,\right. \\ & z 1 \text { * } x 2-x 1^{*} z 2, \\ & x 1^{*} y 2-y 1^{*} x 2, \\ & \text { UNDEF) } \end{aligned}$ | Calculates a vector (cross) product using the first three components of the source vectors and writes the result to the first three components of the destination vector. |

Table A. 2 Vertex Program-Only Instructions

| Instruction | Meaning | Input | Output | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ARL | Address <br> Register Load | S | floor(s) | Loads an address register with a scalar. |
| EXP | Approximate Exponential base 2 | s | $\begin{aligned} & (2 \wedge \text { (floor(s)), } \\ & \mathrm{s}-\mathrm{floor}(\mathrm{~s}), 2 \\ & \wedge \mathrm{~s} \text { (approx), } \\ & 1.0) \end{aligned}$ | Approximates 2 raised to the power of the scalar operand and writes the result to the $z$ component of the result. The $x$ and $y$ components of the result can be used to generate a more accurate approximation by calculating: result.x * $f$ (result.y) where $f$ takes a parameter x in $[0.0,1.0)$ and calculates $2^{\wedge} x$. |
| LOG | Approximate Logarithm base 2 | S | (floor $(\log 2(\|s\|))$, <br> \|s| / 2 ^ floor $(\log 2(\|s\|))$, $\log 2(\|s\|)$ (approx), 1.0) | Approximates the base-2 logarithm of the scalar operand and writes the result to the $z$ component of the result. The $x$ and $y$ components of the result can be used to generate a more accurate approximation by calculating: result.x * f(result.y) where f takes a parameter $x$ in $[1.0,2.0$ ) and calculates $2^{\wedge} x$. |

Table A. 3 Fragment Program-Only Instructions

| Instruction | Meaning | Input | Output | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CMP | Compare | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2), \\ & (x 3, y 3, z 3, w 3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} (\mathrm{x} 1<0.0 ? \mathrm{x} 2 \mathrm{x} 3, \\ \mathrm{y} 1<0.0 ? \mathrm{y} 2: \mathrm{y} 3 \\ \mathrm{z} 1<0.0 ? \mathrm{z2}: \mathrm{z3}, \\ \mathrm{w} 1<0.0 ? \mathrm{w} 2: \mathrm{w} 3) \end{array}$ | Compares each component of the first source vector with zero, and selects the corresponding component of the second or third source vector depending on the result. |
| COS | Cosine | S | $\begin{aligned} & (\cos (\mathrm{s}), \cos (\mathrm{s}), \\ & \cos (\mathrm{s}), \cos (\mathrm{s})) \end{aligned}$ | Calculates the cosine of the scalar operand and writes the result to all four components of the destination vector. |
| KIL | Kill fragment | (x1, y1, z1, w1) | None | Prevents any further processing of this fragment if any component of the source vector is less than zero. |
| LRP | Linear interpolation | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1, y 1, z 1, w 1), \\ & (x 2, y 2, z 2, w 2), \\ & (x 3, y 3, z 3, w 3) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & (x 1 \text { * } x 2+(1.0-x 1) \\ & { }^{*} x 3, y 1 \text { * } y 2+ \\ & (1.0-y 1)^{*} y 3, z 1 \\ & { }^{*} z 2+(1.0-z 1) \\ & { }^{*} z 3, w 1{ }^{*} w 2+ \\ & \left.(1.0 \mathrm{v} w 1)^{*} w 3\right) \end{aligned}$ | Uses the first source vector as a blend factor to linearly interpolate between the second and third source vectors, component-wise. |
| SCS | Sine/Cosine | 5 | ( $\cos (\mathrm{s}), \sin (\mathrm{s})$, <br> UNDEF, UNDEF) | Calculates the cosine and sine of the scalar operand and writes the results to the $x$ and $y$ components of the destination vector respectively. The scalar operand must lie in the range $[-\pi, \pi]$. |
| SIN | Sine | 5 | $\begin{aligned} & (\sin (\mathrm{s}), \sin (\mathrm{s}) \\ & \sin (\mathrm{s}), \sin (\mathrm{s})) \end{aligned}$ | Calculates the sine of the scalar operand and writes the result to all four components of the destination vector. |
| TEX | Texture Sample | $\begin{aligned} & (s, t, r, q) \\ & \text { texture[n], } \end{aligned}$ | TARGET | Texture sample at $(s, t, r)$. Samples a texture using the coordinates ( $s, t, r$ ). TARGET may be 1D, 2D, 3D, RECT or CUBE. |
| TXB | Texture <br> Sample <br> with Bias | $\begin{aligned} & (\mathrm{s}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{r}, \mathrm{q}) \\ & \text { texture[n], } \end{aligned}$ | TARGET | Texture sample at $(s, t, r)$, with level-of-detail bias q. Samples a texture using the coordinates ( $s, t, r$ ), using the $q$ coordinate as a level-of-detail bias. |
| TXP | Texture <br> Sample <br> with <br> Projection | $\begin{aligned} & (s, t, r, q) \\ & \text { texture[n], } \end{aligned}$ | TARGET | Texture sample at ( $s / q, t / q, r / q$ ). Samples a texture using the projective coordinates ( $s / q, t / q, r / q$ ). |

## Parameter Vectors

The OpenGL state variables listed in Table A. 4 are available to vertex programs and fragment programs as parameter vectors. Unless otherwise indicated, the variables are available to both types of program.

## Table A. 4 Parameter Vectors

| Vector | Description | Values |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| state.material.ambient | Front ambient material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.diffuse | Front diffuse material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.specular | Front specular material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.emission | Front emissive material color | ( $\mathrm{r}, \mathrm{g}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{a}$ ) |
| state.material.shininess | Front material shininess | $(s, 0,0,1)$ |
| state.material.front.ambient | Front ambient material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.front.diffuse | Front diffuse material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.front.specular | Front specular material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.front.emission | Front emissive material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.front.shininess | Front material shininess | (s, 0, 0, 1) |
| state.material.back.ambient | Back ambient material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.back.diffuse | Back diffuse material color | ( $r, g, b, a)$ |
| state.material.back.specular | Back specular material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.back.emission | Back emissive material color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.material.back.shininess | Back material shininess | ( $s, 0,0,1$ ) |
| state.light[n].ambient | Light n ambient color | ( $r, g, b, a)$ |
| state.light[n].diffuse | Light n diffuse color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.light[n].specular | Light n specular color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.light[n].position | Light n position | ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}, \mathrm{w}$ ) |
| state.light[n].attenuation | Light n attenuation coefficients and spot light exponent | ( $a, b, c, e$ ) |
| state.light[n].spot.direction | Light n spot direction and cutoff angle cosine | ( $x, y, z, c)$ |
| state.light[n].half | Light n infinite light/infinite viewer half angle | ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}, \mathrm{z}, 1$ ) |
| state.lightmodel.ambient | Light model ambient color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightmodel.scenecolor | Light model front scene color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightmodel.front.scenecolor | Light model front scene color | (r, g, b, a) |
|  |  | continued |


| state.lightmodel.back.scenecolor | Light model back scene color | (r, g, b, a) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| state.lightprod[n].ambient | Light n ambient color * front material ambient color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].diffuse | Light n diffuse color * front material diffuse color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].specular | Light n specular color * front material specular color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].front.ambient | Light n ambient color * front material ambient color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].front.diffuse | Light n diffuse color * front material diffuse color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].front.specular | Light $n$ specular color * front material specular color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].back.ambient | Light n ambient color * back material ambient color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].back diffuse | Light n diffuse color * back material diffuse color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.lightprod[n].back specular | Light n specular color * back material specular color | (r, g, b, a) |
| state.texgen[n].eye.s | TexGen eye linear plane coefficients, unit n, s coordinate | $(a, b, c, d)$ * |
| state.texgen[n].eye.t | TexGen eye linear plane coefficients, unit $n$, $t$ coordinate | $(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d})$ * |
| state.texgen[n].eye.r | TexGen eye linear plane coefficients, unit $n, r$ coordinate | $(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d})$ * |
| state.texgen[n].eye.q | TexGen eye linear plane coefficients, unit n , q coordinate | $(a, b, c, d)$ * |
| state.texgen[n].object.s | TexGen object linear plane coefficients, unit n , s coordinate | $(a, b, c, d)$ * |
| state.texgen[n].object.t | TexGen object linear plane coefficients, unit $\mathrm{n}, \mathrm{t}$ coordinate | $(a, b, c, d)$ * |
| state.texgen[n].object.r | TexGen object linear plane coefficients, unit $n, r$ coordinate | $(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d})$ * |
| state.texgen[n].object.q | TexGen object linear plane coefficients, unit n , q coordinate | $(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d})$ * |
| state.texenv[n].color | Texture environment color, unit n | $(r, g, b, a) \dagger$ |
| state.fog.color | Fog color | (r, g, b, a) |
|  |  | continued |


| state.fog.params | Fog density, linear start and end, and $1 /($ end-start) | (d, s, e, r) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| state.depth.range | Depth range near, far and (far-near) | $(\mathrm{n}, \mathrm{f}, \mathrm{d}, 1) \dagger$ |
| state.clip[n].plane | Clip plane n coefficients | $(a, b, c, d)$ * |
| state.point.size | Point size, minimum and maximum size clamps and fade threshold | $(s, n, x, f)$ * |
| state.point.attenuation | Point-size attenuation coefficients | $(\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, 1)$ * |
| state.matrix.modelview | Modelview matrix $\ddagger$ |  |
| state.matrix.modelview[n] | Modelview matrix $\mathrm{n} \ddagger$ |  |
| state.matrix.projection | Projection matrix $\ddagger$ |  |
| state.matrix.mvp | Modelview-projection matrix $\ddagger$ |  |
| state.matrix.texture[n] | Texture matrix $\mathrm{n} \ddagger$ |  |
| state.matrix.palette[n] | Modelview palette matrix $\mathrm{n} \ddagger$ |  |
| state.matrix.program[n] | Generic program matrix $\mathrm{n} \ddagger$ |  |
| * Only available in ARB_vertex_program |  |  |
| † Only available in ARB_fragment_program |  |  |
| $\ddagger$ The matrix parameters fill four of the standard 4-component vectors by default, each holding one row of the $4 \times 4$ matrix. A contiguous subset of the rows can be selected by appending ".row[x..y]" to the state variable name. You can also append ".inverse", ".transpose", or ".invtrans" to the matrix parameters in order to receive the inverse, transpose, or inverse transpose, respectively, of the requested matrix. For example, in order to have rows 1 and 2 of the inverse transpose modelview matrix placed in mvit[0] and mvit[1] respectively, the following command is used: |  |  |
| PARAM mvit[] = \{state.matrix.modelview.invtrans.row[1..2] \}; |  |  |

## ARB_vertex_program Attribute Vectors

Table A. 5 lists the vertex attributes that are available.

Table A. 5 Vertex Program Attribute Vectors

| Vector | Description | Values |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| vertex.position | Object space position | $(x, y, z, w)$ |
| vertex.normal | Normal | $(x, y, z, 1)$ |
| vertex.color | Primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| vertex.color.primary | Primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| vertex.color.secondary | Secondary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| vertex.texcoord | Texture coordinate set 0 | $(s, t, r, q)$ |
| vertex.texcoord[n] | Texture coordinate set $n$ | $(s, t, r, q)$ |
| vertex.fogcoord | Fog coordinate | $(f, 0,0,1)$ |
| vertex.weight | Vertex weights $0-3$ | $(w, w, w, w)$ |
| vertex.weight[n] | Vertex weights $n-n+3$ | $(w, w, w, w)$ |
| vertex.matrixindex | Vertex matrix indices $0-3$ | $(w, w, w, w)$ |
| vertex.matrixindex[n] | Vertex matrix indices $n-n+3$ | $(w, w, w, w)$ |
| vertex.attrib[n] | Vertex generic attribute $n$ | $(x, y, z, w)$ |

## ARB_vertex_program Result Vectors

The results that may be written by a vertex program are shown in Table A.6.
Table A. 6 Vertex Program Result Vectors

| Vector | Description | Values |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| result.position | Clip-space position | $(x, y, z, w)$ |
| result.color | Front primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.primary | Front primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.secondary | Front secondary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.front | Front primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.front.primary | Front primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.front.secondary | Front secondary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.back | Back primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.back.primary | Back primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color.back.secondary | Back secondary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.texcoord | Texture coordinate set 0 | $(s, t, r, q)$ |
| result.texcoord[n] | Texture coordinate set $n$ | $(s, t, r, q)$ |
| result.fogcoord | Fog coordinate | $(f$, N/A, N/A, N/A) |
| result.pointsize | Point size | $(s$, N/A, N/A, N/A) |

## ARB_fragment_program Attribute Vectors

The available attributes of a fragment are listed in Table A.7.

Table A. 7 Fragment Program Attribute Vectors

| Vector | Description | Values |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| fragment.position | Window position | $(x, y, z, 1 / w)$ |
| fragment.color | Primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| fragment.color.primary | Primary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| fragment.color.secondary | Secondary color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| fragment.texcoord | Texture coordinate set 0 | $(s, t, r, q)$ |
| fragment.texcoord $[n]$ | Texture coordinate set $n$ | $(s, t, r, q)$ |
| fragment.fogcoord | Fog coordinate | $(f, 0,0,1)$ |

## ARB_fragment_program Result Vectors

Table A. 8 lists the results which may be written by a fragment program.

Table A. 8 Fragment Program Result Vectors

| Vector | Description | Values |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| result.color | Final color | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.color[n] | Final color (when using multiple render buffers) | $(r, g, b, a)$ |
| result.depth | Final depth | (N/A, N/A, d, N/A) |

