## The Stored Program Concept

- All programs (instructions) are just data represented by combinations of bytes!
- Any block of memory can be code. Consequently, self-modifying code is possible!
- The Program Counter (PC) is a special register (not directly accessible) which holds a pointer to the current instruction.

#### *Instruction Formats*

MIPS instructions come in three tasty flavors!

## **R-Instruction format (register-to-register).** *Examples: addu, and, sll, jr*

op code	rs	rt	rd	shamt	funct
6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	5 bits	6 bits

See green sheet to see what registers are read from and what is written to

# I-Instruction Format (register immediate) Examples: addiu, andi, bne

op code	rs	rt	immediate
6 bits	5 bits	5 bits	16 bits

*Note: Immediate is 0 or sign-extended depending on instruction (see green sheet)* 

# **J-Instruction Format (jump format)** For j and jal

op code	address
6 bits	26 bits

KEY: An instruction is R-Format if the op code is 0. If the opcode is 2 or 3, it is J-format. Otherwise, it is I-format. Different R-format instructions are determined by the "funct".

1. How many instructions are representable with this format?

2. What could we do to increase the number of possible instructions?

# MIPS Addressing Modes

- We have several **addressing modes** to access memory (immediate not listed):
  - o **Base displacement addressing**: Adds an immediate to a register value to create a memory address (used for lw, lb, sw, sb)
  - o **PC-relative addressing**: Uses the PC (actually the current PC plus four) and adds the I-value of the instruction (multiplied by 4) to create an address (used by I-format branching instructions like beq, bne)
  - Pseudodirect addressing: Uses the upper four bits of the PC and concatenates a 26-bit value from the instruction (with implicit 00 lowest bits) to make a 32-bit address (used by J-format instructions)
  - o **Register Addressing:** Uses the value in a register as memory (jr)

<ol><li>You need to jump to a:</li></ol>	n instruction that	is 257Mb up	from the curre	ent PC. How o	do you d	lo it?
(HINT: you need multip	le instructions)					

4. Given the following MIPS code (and instruction addresses), fill in the highlighted instructions (you'll need your green sheet!):

5. What instruction is 0x00008A03?

Bonus Question: You have four numbers: a, b, c, and d. You know five of the six pair-wise products (ab, ac, ad, bc, bd, and cd) are 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, but you don't know which five. What is the last pair-wise product?