

Fall 2018/19 – Lecture Notes # 3

- Introduction to Assembly Programming
- Program Segments



Introduction to Assembly Language Programming

ADD instruction

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ADD destination, source; dest = dest + source
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mnemonic operands

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Example:
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MOV
        AL,24H
                ;move 24H into AL
MOV
        DL,11H
                ;move 11H into DL
        AL,DL
                             (AL=35H)(DL=11H)
ADD
                ;AL=AL+DL
MOV
        CH,24H
                ;move 24H into CH
MOV
        BL,11H
                ;move 11H into BL
ADD
        CH,BL
                :CH=CH+BL
                             (CH = 35H)
MOV
                ;load one operand into CH
        CH,24H
ADD
        CH.11H
                ;add the second operand to CH (CH=35H)
```



Introduction to Assembly Language Programming

ADD instruction

mnemonic operands

If destination register is followed by an immediate data as the source, it is called the immediate operand.

> MOV CH,24H ADD CH,11H

❖ 8-bit registers can hold FFH (255) as the maximum value. Addition of larger numbers can be performed by the 16-bit nonsegment registers.

MOV AX,34EH
MOV DX,6A5H
ADD DX,AX ;DX=DX+AX (DX=9F3H)
MOV CX,34EH
ADD CX,6A5H ;CX=34EH+6A5=9F3H

Segment

- A segment is an area of memory that includes up to 64K bytes and begins an address evenly divisible by 16 (such an address ends in 0H).
- Assembly Language Program consists of three segments:
 - **code segment**: contains the program code (instructions)
 - * data segment: used to store data to be processed by the program
 - *** stack segment:** used to store information temporarily.

Logical and Physical Address

- Physical Address is the 20-bit address that actually put on the address bus. (in 8086)
 - Has a range of 00000H FFFFFH
- Segment Address is a 16-bit address of the segment block.

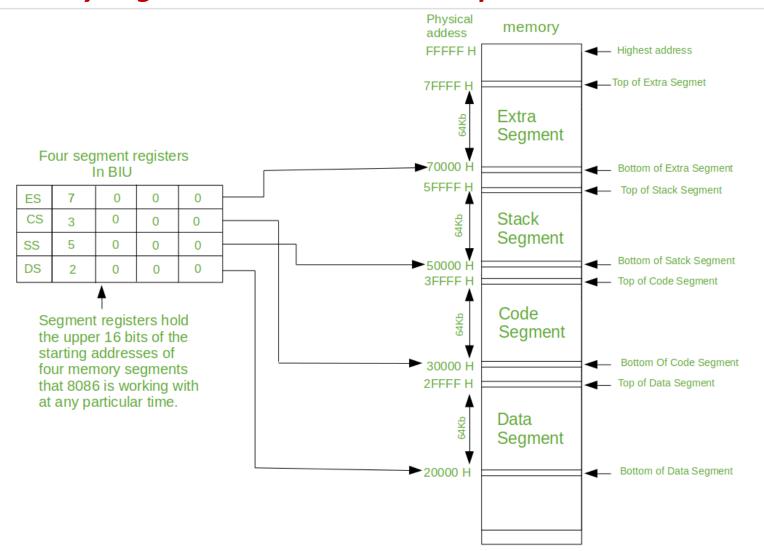
Each segment is a **block** of 64 KB of memory space.

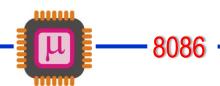
Offset Address is a location within 64K byte segment range.

Has a range of 0000H - FFFFH

Logical Address consists of segment address and offset address.

Memory Segmentation in 8086 Microprocessor





- Addressing in Code Segment
- To execute a program, the 8086 fetches the instructions from the code segment.
- The *logical address* of an instruction consists **CS** (Code Segment) and **IP**(instruction pointer).
- Logical Address in Code segment is represented by using segment address in CS register and Offset Address in IP register as follows:

CS:IP

(16 bit CS and 16 bit IP making total of 32 bits)

Example: If CS register contains 2500H and IP register contains 95F3H. What is the *Locical Adress* in the code segment?

CS:IP \rightarrow 2500:95F3 (default in adressing is hex. You don't need H)

Addressing in Code Segment

Physical Address is generated by shifting the CS one hex digit to the left and adding IP. Physical address is **20 bit address** which can be generated by using a logical address as follows.

- 1. Start with CS
- 2. Shift left CS (insert 0 as the Least significant digit)
- 3. Add IP

Example: If CS register contains 1980H and IP register contains 78FEH. What is the **Physical Adress** in the code segment?

Logical address: CS:IP \rightarrow 1980:78FE

- 1. **Start with CS** 1980
- 2. **Shift left CS** 19800
- 3. Add IP 78FE = (19800 + 78FE = 210FE)

Physical address: The microprocessor will retrieve the instruction from the memory locations starting from **210FE** (20 bit address).

Addressing in Code Segment

Example: If CS=24F6H and IP=634AH, determine:

- a) The logical address
- b) The offset address
- c) The physical address
- d) The lower range of the code segment
- e) The upper range of the code segment

Solution:

a) The logical address is; 24F6:634A

b) The offset address is; 634A

c) The Physical address is; 24F60+634A= 2B2AA

d) The lower range of the code segment: $24F6:0000 \rightarrow 24F60+0000 = 24F60$

e) The upper range of the code segment: 24F6:FFFF \rightarrow 24F60+FFFF = 34F5F

- Addressing in Data Segment
- The area of memory allocated strictly for data is called *data segment*.
- Data segment contains variables containing single values and arrays of values, where code segment only contain program instructions.
- Logical Address in Data Segment is represented by using segment address in DS register and
 Offset Address in BX, SI or DI registers.

DS:BX

DS:SI

DS:DI

At any time three locations in the data segment are pointed with DS:BX, DS:SI and DS:DI respectively.

Addressing in Data Segment

Example: If DS=7FA2H and the offset is 438EH, determine:

- a) The physical address
- b) The lower range of the data segment
- c) The upper range of the data segment
- d) Show the logical address

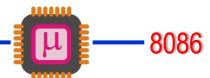
Solution:

a) The Physical address is; **7FA20+438E = 83DAE**

b) The lower range: **7FA20+0000= 7FA20**

c) The upper range: **7FA20+FFFF = 8FA1F**

d) The logical address is; 7FA2:438E



Addressing in Data Segment

Why do we use data segment?

Assume that a program is needed to add 5 bytes of data (25H, 12H, 15H,1FH and 2BH)

One way:

MOV AL,00H
ADD AL,25H
ADD AL,12H
ADD AL,15H
ADD AL,1FH
ADD AL,2BH

; initialize AL

code and data are mixed
(bad programming practice)

Better way: Assume that the Data segment contains the array of bytes starting from offset

address 0200H.

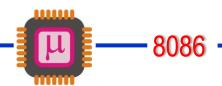
MOV AL,0; clear AL
ADD AL,[0200]; add the contents of DS:200 to AL
ADD AL,[0201]; add the contents of DS:201 to AL
ADD AL,[0202]; add the contents of DS:202 to AL
ADD AL,[0203]; add the contents of DS:203 to AL
ADD AL,[0204]; add the contents of DS:204 to AL

code and data are separated

(good programming practice)

DS:01FF ?
DS:0200 25
DS:0201 12
DS:0202 15
DS:0203 1F
DS:0204 2B
DS:0205 ?

Data Segment



<u>Little endian convention</u>

Given 8-bit (1-byte) data, bytes are stored one after the other in the memory. However given 16-bit (2-bytes) of data how are date stored?

Example: MOV AX,35F3H ;load 35F3H into AX

MOV [1500],AX ; copy contents of AX to offset 1500H

In such a case the low byte goes to the low memory location and high byte goes to the high memory location.

DS:1500 = F3

DS:1501 = 35

This convention is called *little endian convention*: This convention is used by *Intel*.

Big endian convention is the opposite, where the high byte goes to the low address and low byte goes to the high address. **Motorolla** microprocessor uses this convention.

