



## **PROGRAM EXECUTION AND TRANSFER INSTRUCTIONS**

These instructions cause a branch in the program sequence.

There are 2 main types of branching:

- i. Near branch
- ii. Far Branch

### **i. Near Branch**

This is an **Intra-Segment Branch** i.e. the branch is to a new location within the current segment only.

Thus, **only** the value of **IP** needs to be changed.

If the Near Branch is in the **range of –128 to 127**, then it is called as a **Short Branch**.

### **ii. Far Branch**

This is an **Inter-Segment Branch** i.e. the branch is to a new location in a different segment.

Thus, the values of **CS** and **IP** need to be changed.

### **JMP** (Unconditional Jump)

#### **INTRA-Segment (NEAR) JUMP**

The Jump address is specified in two ways:

#### **1) INTRA-Segment Direct Jump**

The new Branch location is specified directly in the instruction

The new address is calculated by **adding** the 8 or 16-bit **displacement** to the IP.

The CS does not change.

A +ve displacement means that the Jump is ahead (forward) in the program.

A -ve displacement means that the Jump is behind (backward) in the program.

It is also called as *Relative Jump*.

Eg: **JMP Prev** ; IP ← offset address of "Prev".

**JMP Next** ; IP ← offset address of "Next".

#### **2) INTRA-Segment Indirect Jump**

The New Branch address is specified indirectly through a **register** or a **memory location**.

The value in the IP is **replaced** with the new value.

The CS does not change.

Eg: **JMP WORD PTR [BX]** ; IP ← {DS:[BX], DS: [BX+1]}

#### **INTER-Segment (FAR) JUMP**

The Jump address is specified in two ways:

#### **3) INTER-Segment Direct Jump**

The new Branch location is **specified directly** in the instruction

Both **CS** and **IP** get new values, as this is an inter-segment jump.

Eg: **Assume NextSeg** is a label pointing to an instruction in a **different segment**.

**JMP NextSeg** ; CS and IP get the value from the label NextSeg.

#### **4) INTER-Segment Indirect Jump**

The new Branch location is **specified indirectly** through a **register** or a **memory location**.

Both **CS** and **IP** get new values, as this is an inter-segment jump.

Eg: **JMP DWORD PTR [BX]** ; IP ← {DS:[BX], DS: [BX+1]},

; CS ← {DS:[BX+2], DS:[BX+3]}

## **JCondition** (Conditional Jump)

This is a conditional branch instruction.

If condition is **TRUE**, then it is **similar to** an **INTRA-Segment Direct Jump**.

If condition is **FALSE**, then branch does not take place and the next sequential instruction is executed.

The destination must be in the range of -128 to 127 from the address of the instruction (i.e. **ONLY SHORT Jump**).

Eg: **JNC Next** ; Jump to Next If Carry Flag is not set (CF = 0).

The various conditional jump instructions are as follows:

Mnemonic	Description	Jump Condition
<b>Common Operations</b>		
JC	Carry	<b>CF = 1</b>
JNC	Not Carry	CF = 0
JE/JZ	Equal or Zero	<b>ZF = 1</b>
JNE/JNZ	Not Equal or Not Zero	ZF = 0
JP/JPE	Parity or Parity Even	<b>PF = 1</b>
JNP/JPO	Not Parity or Parity Odd	PF = 0
<b>Signed Operations</b>		
JO	Overflow	<b>OF = 1</b>
JNO	Not Overflow	OF = 0
JS	Sign	<b>SF = 1</b>
JNS	Not Sign	SF = 0
JL/JNGE	Less	<b>(SF Ex-Or OF) = 1</b>
JGE/JNL	Greater or Equal	(SF Ex-Or OF) = 0
JLE/JNG	Less or Equal	<b>((SF Ex-Or OF) + ZF) = 1</b>
JG/JNLE	Greater	((SF Ex-Or OF) + ZF) = 0
<b>Unsigned Operations</b>		
JB/JNAE	Below	<b>CF = 1</b>
JA/JNB	Above or Equal	CF = 0
JBE/JNA	Below or Equal	<b>(CF Ex-Or ZF) = 1</b>
JA/JNBE	Above	(CF Ex-Or ZF) = 0

## **CALL** (Unconditional CALL)

CALL is an instruction that transfers the program control to a sub-routine, with the intention of coming back to the main program.

Thus, in CALL 8086 **saves the address of the next instruction into the stack** before branching to the sub-routine.

At the end of the subroutine, control transfers back to the main program using the return address from the stack.

There are two types of CALL: Near CALL and Far CALL.

### **INTRA-Segment (NEAR) CALL**

The **new subroutine** called must be **in the same segment** (hence intra-segment).

The CALL **address** can be **specified directly** in the instruction **OR indirectly** through Registers or Memory Locations.

The following sequence is executed for a NEAR CALL:

- 8086 will **PUSH Current IP** into the Stack.
- Decrement SP by 2.**
- New value loaded into IP.**



- iv. **Control transferred** to a subroutine within the same segment.

**Eg: CALL subAdd** ; {SS:[SP-1], SS:[SP-2]} ← IP, SP ← SP - 2,  
; IP ← New Offset Address of subAdd.

### **INTER-Segment (FAR) CALL**

The **new subroutine** called is in **another segment** (hence inter-segment).

**Here CS and IP both get new values.**

The CALL address can be specified directly OR through Registers or Memory Locations.

The following sequence is executed for a Far CALL:

- i. **PUSH CS** into the Stack.
- ii. **Decrement SP** by 2.
- iii. **PUSH IP** into the Stack.
- iv. **Decrement SP** by 2.
- v. **Load CS** with new segment address.
- vi. **Load IP** with new offset address.
- vii. **Control transferred** to a subroutine in the new segment.

**Eg: CALL subAdd** ; {SS:[SP-1], SS:[SP-2]} ← CS, SP ← SP - 2,  
; {SS:[SP-1], SS:[SP-2]} ← CS, SP ← SP - 2,  
; CS ← New Segment Address of subAdd,  
; IP ← New Offset Address of subAdd.

There is **NO PROVISION** for **Conditional CALL**.

## **RET --- Return instruction**

RET instruction causes the control to return to the main program from the subroutine.

### **Intrasegment-RET**

**Eg: RET** ; IP ← SS:[SP], SS:[SP+1]  
; SP ← SP + 2  
**RET n** ; IP ← SS:[SP], SS:[SP+1]  
; SP ← SP + 2 + n

### **Intersegment-RET**

**Eg: RET** ; IP ← SS:[SP], SS:[SP+1]  
; CS ← SS:[SP+2], SS:[SP+3]  
; SP ← SP + 4  
**RET n** ; IP ← SS:[SP], SS:[SP+1]  
; CS ← SS:[SP+2], SS:[SP+3]  
; SP ← SP + 4 + n

**Please Note:** The programmer writes the intra-seg and Inter-seg RET instructions in the same way. It is the assembler, which distinguishes between the two and puts the right opcode.

#Please refer Bharat Sir's Lecture Notes for this ...



**Differentiate between**

	<b>JMP INSTRUCTION</b>	<b>CALL INSTRUCTION</b>
1	JMP instruction is used to <b>jump to a new location</b> in the program and continue	Call instruction is used to <b>invoke a subroutine, execute it and then return</b> to the main program.
2	A jump simply <b>puts the branch address into IP.</b>	A call <b>first stores the return address into the stack</b> and then loads the branch address into IP.
3	In 8086 Jumps can be either <b>unconditional or conditional.</b>	In 8086, Calls are only <b>unconditional.</b>
4	Does <b>not use the stack</b>	<b>Uses the stack</b>
5	Does <b>not need a RET</b> instruction.	<b>Needs a RET</b> instruction to return back to main program.

**Differentiate between**

	<b>PROCEDURE (FUNCTION)</b>	<b>MACRO</b>
1	A procedure (Subroutine/ Function) is a set of instruction needed repeatedly by the program. It is <b>stored as a subroutine and invoked from several places by the main program.</b>	A Macro is similar to a procedure but is not invoked by the main program. Instead, the <b>Macro code is pasted into the main program wherever the macro name is written in the main program.</b>
2	A subroutine is <b>invoked by a CALL</b> instruction and control returns by a RET instruction.	A Macro is simply accessed by <b>writing its name</b> . The entire macro code is pasted at the location by the assembler.
3	<b>Reduces the size</b> of the program	<b>Increases the size</b> of the program
4	<b>Executes slower</b> as time is wasted to push and pop the return address in the stack.	<b>Executes faster</b> as return address is not needed to be stored into the stack, hence push and pop is not needed.
5	<b>Depends on the stack</b>	<b>Does not depend on the stack</b>



Type 1)

## **Iteration Control Instructions**

These instructions **cause** a series of **instructions to be executed repeatedly**.

The **number of iterations** is loaded in **CX** register.

**CX** is **decremented by 1**, after every iteration. Iterations occur **until CX = 0**.

The **maximum difference between** the **address** of the instruction and the address of the Jump **can be 127**.

### **1) LOOP Label**

Jump to specified label if CX not equal to 0; and decrement CX.

Eg: **MOV CX, 40H**

**BACK: MOV AL, BL**  
**ADD AL, BL**

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**MOV BL, AL**  
**LOOP BACK**

*; Do  $CX \leftarrow CX - 1$ .*

*; Go to BACK if CX not equal to 0.*

### **2) LOOPE/LOOPZ Label (Loop on Equal / Loop on Zero)**

Same as above except that looping occurs ONLY if Zero Flag is set (i.e. ZF = 1)

Eg: **MOV CX, 40H**

**BACK: MOV AL, BL**  
**ADD AL, BL**

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**MOV BL, AL**  
**LOOPZ BACK**

*; Do  $CX \leftarrow CX - 1$ .*

*; Go to BACK if CX not equal to 0 and ZF = 1.*

### **3) LOOPNE/LOOPNZ Label (Loop on NOT Equal / Loop on NO Zero)**

Same as above except that looping occurs ONLY if Zero Flag is reset (i.e. ZF = 0)

Eg: **MOV CX, 40H**

**BACK: MOV AL, BL**  
**ADD AL, BL**

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**MOV BL, AL**  
**LOOPNZ BACK**

*; Do  $CX \leftarrow CX - 1$ .*

*; Go to BACK if CX not equal to 0 and ZF = 0.*