

5 Assembly Language Programming (2)

Arithmetic Instruction

- **Addition:** CPU will treat all the values as unsigned value.

```
ADD dest, src ;dest = dest + src
```

- `dest` can be a register or in memory;
- `src` can be a register, in memory or immediate;
- No mem-to-mem operations in 8086;
- Change `ZF`, `SF`, `AF`, `CF`, `OF`, `PF`.

```
ADC dest, src ;dest = dest + src + CF
```

- For multi-byte numbers;
- If there is a carry from last addition, adds 1 to the result;
- Change `ZF`, `SF`, `AF`, `CF`, `OF`, `PF`.

```
INC dest ;dest = dest + 1
```

- `dest` can be a register or in memory;
- `dest` cannot be an immediate;
- Change `ZF`, `SF`, `AF`, `OF`, `PF`; DOES NOT change `CF`.

- **Subtraction:** CPU will treat all the values as unsigned value.

```
SUB dest, src ;dest = dest - src
```

- `dest` can be a register or in memory;
- `src` can be a register, in memory or an immediate
- No mem-to-mem operations in 8086;
- Change `ZF`, `SF`, `AF`, `CF`, `OF`, `PF`.

```
SBB dest, src ;dest = dest - src - CF
```

- For multi-byte numbers;
- If there is a borrow from last subtraction, subtracts 1 from the result.
- Change `ZF`, `SF`, `AF`, `CF`, `OF`, `PF`.

```
DEC dest ;dest = dest - 1
```

- Destination can be a register or in memory;
- Destination cannot be an immediate;
- Change `ZF`, `SF`, `AF`, `OF`, `PF`; DOES NOT change `CF`.

How to implement subtraction

- take the 2's complement of the `src`;
- add it to the `dest`;

- *invert* the carry.
- **Multiplication:**

Unsigned multiplication

MUL operand

- Change `OF`, `CF`; Unpredictable: `SF`, `ZF`, `AF`, `PF`.
- byte * byte: one implicit operand is `AL`, the other is `operand`, result is stored in `AX`;
- word * word: one implicit operand is `AX`, the other is `operand`, result is stored in `DX` and `AX`;
- word * byte: `AL` hold the byte and `AH = 0`, the word is the operand, result is stored in `DX` and `AX`.
- **Division:**

Unsigned Division

DIV denominator

- Unpredictable: `OF`, `CF`, `SF`, `ZF`, `AF`, `PF`.
- denominator cannot be zero; quotient (商) cannot be too large for the assigned register;
- denominator can be in a register or in memory;
- byte / byte: numerator in `AL`, clear `AH`; quotient in `AL`, remainder in `AH`;
- word / word: numerator in `AX`, clear `DX`; quotient in `AX`, remainder in `DX`;
- word / byte: numerator in `AX`; quotient in `AL` (max `0FFFFH`), remainder in `AH`;
- double-word / word: numerator in `DX` and `AX`, quotient in `AX` (MAX `0FFFFH`), remainder in `DX`.

Logical Instructions

- **Bitwise operations**

```
AND dest, src
OR dest, src
XOR dest, src
```

- `dest` can be a register or in memory; `src` can be a register, in memory, or immediate;
- Update `SF`, `ZF`, `PF`; `AF` is undetermined;
- Clear `CF` and `OF` (set to zero).

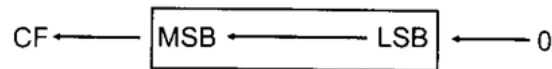
NOT operand

- `operand` can be a register or in memory;
- DOES NOT change the flag register.

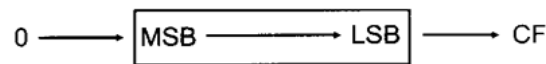
- **Logical SHIFT**

```
SHL dest, times
SHR dest, times
```

- Left shift:



- Right shift:



- `dest` can be a register or in memory;
- `CF` will be updated by the last out-of-range bit.
- if `times = 1`, we can write `SHR xx, 1`; else we have to write `MOV CL, times` and `SHR xx, CL`. (`SHL` similarly)
- Put zero in the shifted bits.

[Example] Application of shifts

Key	ASCII (hex)	Binary	BCD (unpacked)
0	30	011 0000	0000 0000
1	31	011 0001	0000 0001
2	32	011 0010	0000 0010
3	33	011 0011	0000 0011
4	34	011 0100	0000 0100
5	35	011 0101	0000 0101
6	36	011 0110	0000 0110
7	37	011 0111	0000 0111
8	38	011 1000	0000 1000
9	39	011 1001	0000 1001

Notice that the last 4 bits of ASCII are exactly the same as the original number.

- **ASCII to unpacked BCD**

```
asc DB '3'
unpack DB ?
;-----
MOV AH asc
AND AH 0FH ; to clear the high bits;
MOV unpack AH ; get the value
```

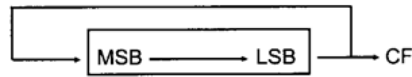
- **ASCII to packed BCD**

```
asc DB '23'
pack DB ?
;-----
MOV AH asc
MOV AL asc+1
AND AX, 0F0FH
MOV CL, 4
SHL AH, CL ; shift to the right place
OR AH, AL ; combine together
MOV pack, AL
```

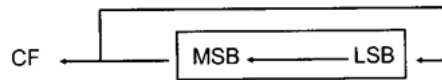
• Rotate Shift

```
ROL dest, times
ROR dest, times
```

- Left rotate shift:



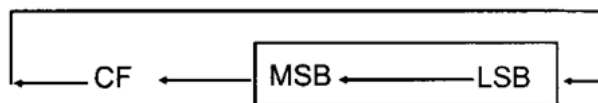
- Right rotate shift:



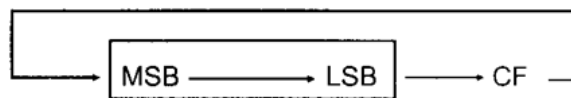
- `dest` can be a register, in memory;
- The `CF` will be updated;

```
RCL dest, times
RCR dest, times
```

- Left rotate carry shift



- Right rotate carry shift



- `dest` can be a register, in memory;
- The `CF` is shifted with the other bits;

Unsigned Compare Instruction

```
CMP dest, src
```

- Flags affected as `dest - src` but operands remain unchanged.
- When combining with jump instruction, we mainly focus on the `CF` and `ZF` value.
 - `dest > src`: `CF == 0`, `ZF == 0`;
 - `dest = src`: `CF == 0`, `ZF == 1`;
 - `dest < src`: `CF == 1`, `ZF == 0`.
- Related jumps:
 - `JA` (Jump above, also `JNBE`)
 - `JB` (Jump below, also `JNAE`)
 - `JAE` (Jump above or equal, also `JNB`)
 - `JBE` (Jump below or equal, also `JNA`)

Signed Compare Instruction

```
CMP dest, src
```

- The same instruction as unsigned compare instruction. Flags affected as `dest - src` but operands remain unchanged.
- When combining with jump instruction, we mainly focus on the `CF` and `ZF` value.
 - `dest > src`: `OF == SF` and `ZF == 0`;

- `dest = src: ZF == 1;`
- `dest < src: OF != SF.`
- Related jumps:
 - `JG` (Jump greater, also `JNGE`)
 - `JL` (Jump less, also `JNLE`)
 - `JGE` (Jump greater or equal, also `JNL`)
 - `JLE` (Jump less or equal, also `JNG`)

Unsigned vs Signed Number

- Execution: treated as unsigned numbers;
- Interpretation: `CF` is updated by treating both numbers as unsigned, `OF` is updated by treating both numbers as signed.