

Computer Structure and Language

The 8086/8088 Assembly Language

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Intel's 4004 to 8086 Microprocessor

4004: 4-bit microprocessor designed for desktop printing calculator (2300 Transistors), 1971
8008: Early byte-oriented microprocessors (3500 Transistors), 1972
4040: Successor to 4004 (3000 Transistors), 1974
8080: Second 8-bit microprocessor (6000 Transistors), 1974
8085: 8-bit microprocessor (8080 software-binary compatible, 6500 Transistors), 1976
8086: 16-bit microprocessor (29000 Transistors), 1978

4004

8008

8085

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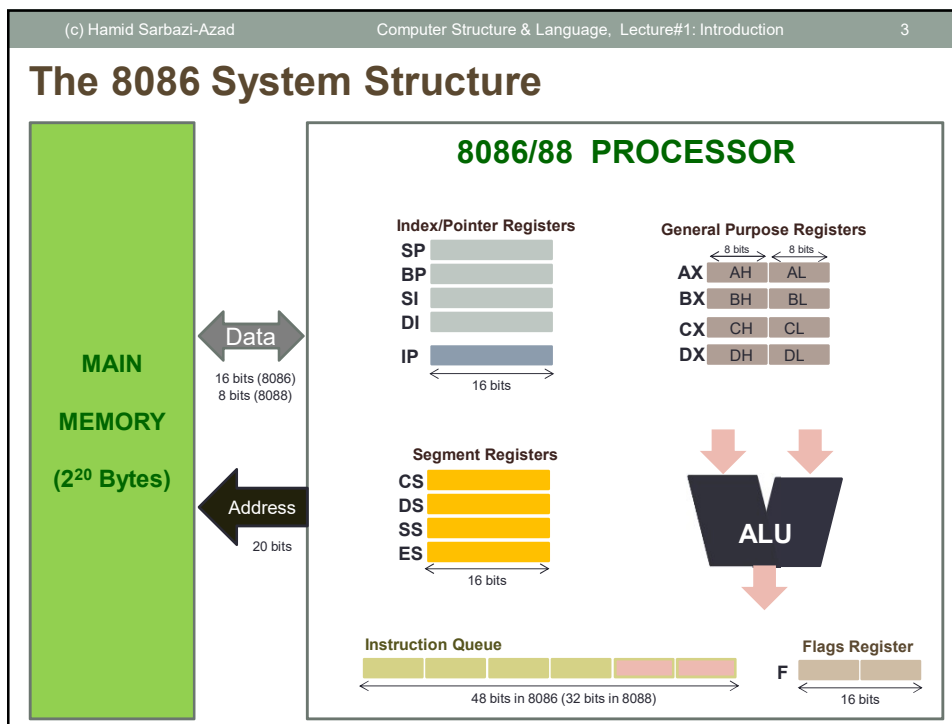
8080

8086

		MAX MODE	MIN MODE
GND	1	40	V _{CC}
AD ₁₄	2	39	AD ₁₅
AD ₁₃	3	38	AD ₁₆ /S ₃
AD ₁₂	4	37	AD ₁₇ /S ₄
AD ₁₁	5	36	AD ₁₈ /S ₅
AD ₁₀	6	35	AD ₁₉ /S ₆
AD ₉	7	34	BHE'/S ₇
AD ₈	8	33	MN/MX'
AD ₇	9	32	RD'
AD ₆	10	31	RO'/GT ₀ '
AD ₅	11	30	RO'/GT ₁ '
AD ₄	12	29	LOCK'
AD ₃	13	28	S ₂ '
AD ₂	14	27	S ₁ '
AD ₁	15	26	S ₀ '
AD ₀	16	25	Q _{S0}
NMI	17	24	Q _{S1}
INTR	18	23	TEST'
CLK	19	22	READY
GND	20	21	RESET

NOTE: Wafer Scale Engine (WSE) has 1.2 trillion (1200 000 000 000) transistors with a die area of 46225 mm² (with 400000 cores for AI/ML processing and 18 GB on-die SRAM (reported at HotChips 2019).

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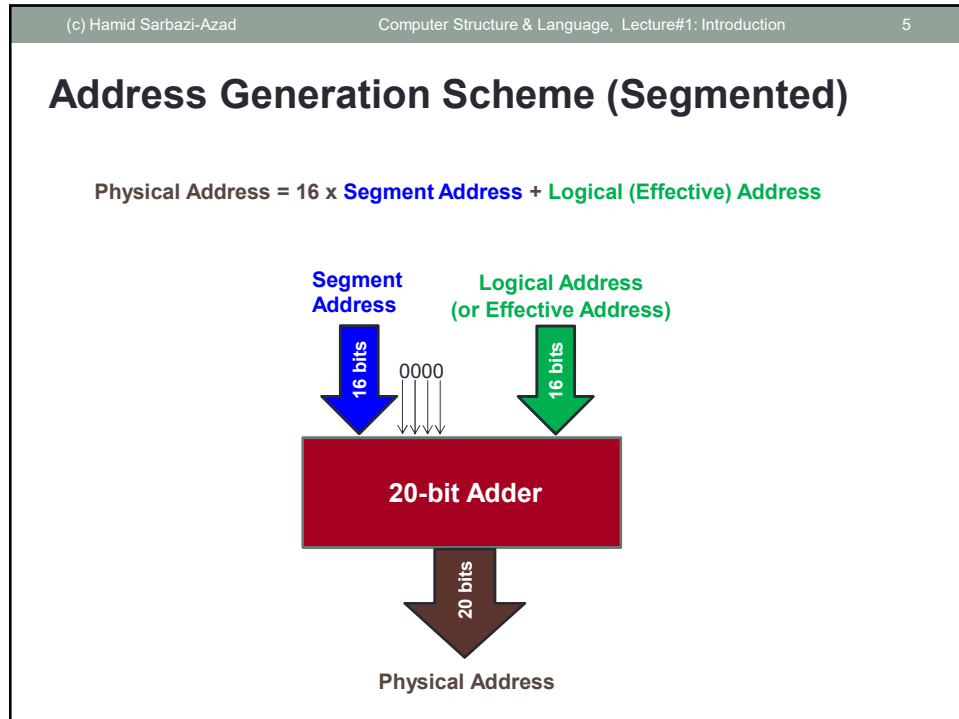
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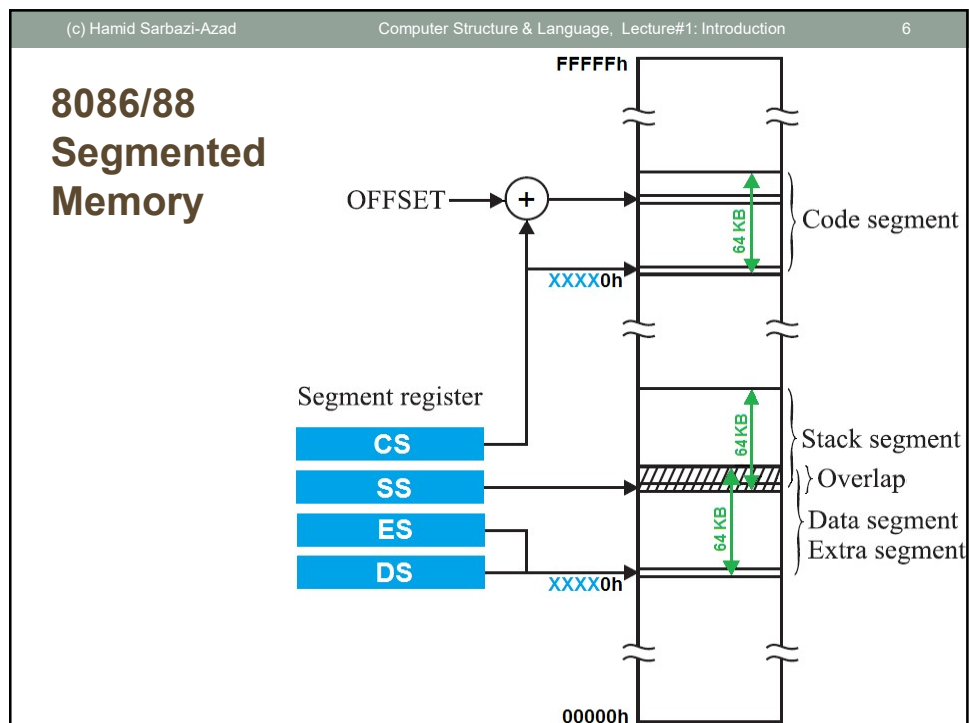
8086/88 features:

- First 16-bit microprocessor (8088 has an 8-bit data bus)
- 2²⁰-byte addressable segmented main memory (20-bit address), Little Endian
- Data types:
 - 8/16/32 bit (byte, word, double-word) binary (signed, unsigned),
 - 8/16 bit decimal BCD (partially supported),
 - Character, String
- Addressing modes:
 - Implied
 - Immediate (d8, d16)
 - Direct (register, memory): AX, BX, CX, ..., and d16
 - Indirect (register, memory): (BX), (SI), (DI), (BP)
 - Indexed: (SI)±d8, (SI)±d16, (DI)±d8, (DI)±d16
 - Base-displacement: (BX)±d8, (BX)±d16, (BP)±d8, (BP)±d16
 - Base-indexed: (SI)+(BX), (DI)+(BX), (SI)+(BP), (DI)+(BP)
 - Base-displacement-indexed: (SI)+(BX)±d8, (DI)+(BX)±d8, (SI)+(BP)±d8, (DI)+(BP)±d8, (SI)+(BX)±d16, (DI)+(BX)±d16, (SI)+(BP)±d16, (DI)+(BP)±d16
 - Segmented addressing as 8086's base addressing mode

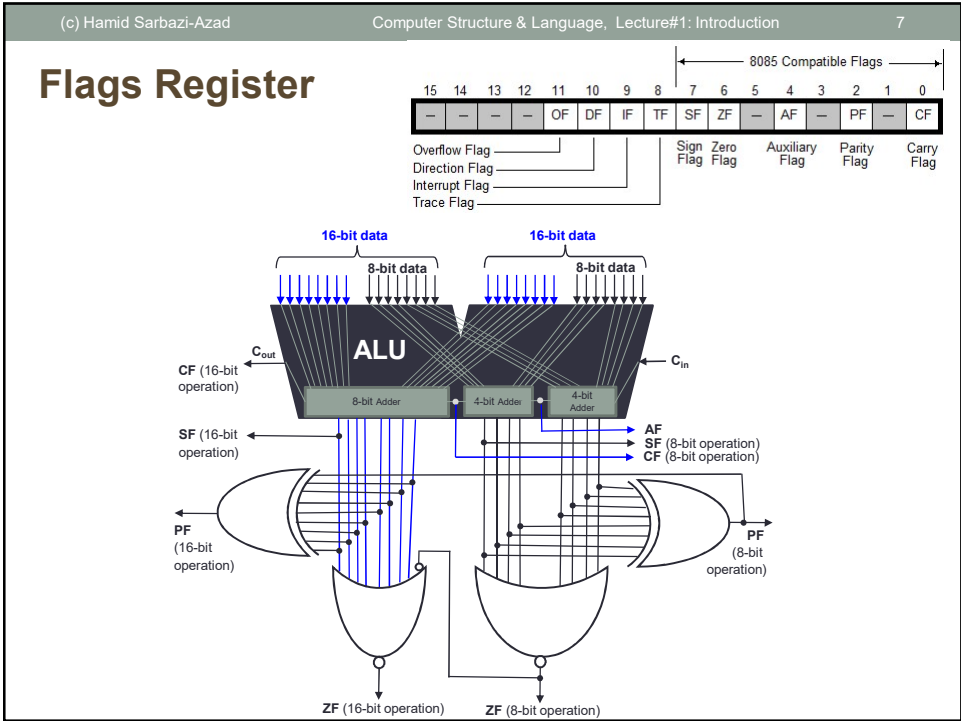
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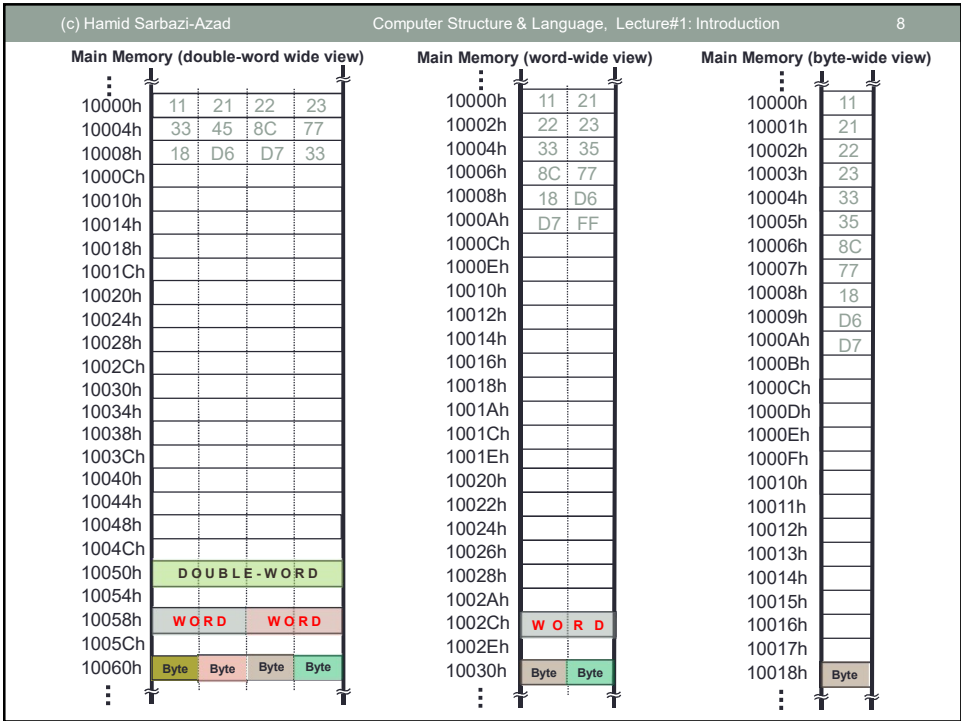
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The 8086/88 Instruction Format

8 bits

OPCODE

.....

One-byte instruction (implied operands)

3 bits

OPCODE

Reg

.....

One-byte instruction (Register mode)

2 bits

11

3 bits

Reg

3 bits

R/M

.....

Register to register

OPCODE

Md

Reg

R/M

.....

Register to/from memory with no displacement

OPCODE

Md

Reg

R/M

Disp. Low-byte

Disp. High-byte

.....

Register to/from memory with displ.
for 16-bit displacement

OPCODE

11

OPC

R/M

Imm. Low-byte

Imm. High-byte

.....

Immediate operand to register
for 16-bit (word) data

OPCODE

Md

OPC

R/M

Imm. Low-byte

Imm. High-byte

.....

Imm. operand to memory with no displ.
for 16-bit (word) data

OPCODE

Md

OPC

R/M

Disp. Low-byte

Disp. High-byte

Imm. Low-byte

Imm. High-byte

.....

Imm. operand to memory with displ.
for 16-bit displacement
for 16-bit (word) data

BYTE #1

BYTE #2

BYTE #3

BYTE #4

BYTE #5

BYTE #6

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Memory address calculation using Md and R/M fields

Memory mode

Register mode

Md = 00

Md = 01

Md = 10

Md = 11

SR : EA

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W = 0

W = 1

000

001

010

011

100

101

110

111

DS : (BX)+(SI)

DS : (BX)+(SI)+d8

DS : (BX)+(SI)+d16

AL

AX

DS : (BX)+(DI)

DS : (BX)+(DI)+d8

DS : (BX)+(DI)+d16

CL

CX

SS : (BP)+(SI)

SS : (BP)+(SI)+d8

SS : (BP)+(SI)+d16

DL

DX

SS : (BP)+(DI)

SS : (BP)+(DI)+d8

SS : (BP)+(DI)+d16

BL

BX

DS : (SI)

DS : (SI)+d8

DS : (SI)+d16

AH

SP

DS : (DI)

DS : (DI)+d8

DS : (DI)+d16

CH

BP

DS : d16

SS : (BP)+d8

SS : (BP)+d16

DH

SI

DS : (BX)

DS : (BX)+d8

DS : (BX)+d16

BH

DI

000

001

010

011

100

101

110

111

R/M

Reg

SR: Segment Register

EA: Effective Address

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The 8086/88 supports 7 types of instructions:

1. **Data Transfer Instructions:** `mov, push, pop, pusha, popa, xchg, xlat, in, out, lea, lds, les, lahf, sahf, pushf, popf`
2. **Arithmetic Instructions:** `add, adc, inc, aaa, daa, sub, sbb, dec, neg, cmp, aas, das, mul, imul, aam, div, idiv, aad, cbw, cwd`
3. **Bit Manipulation Instructions:** `not, and, or, xor, test, shl/sal, shr, sar, rol, ror, rcr, rcl`
4. **String Instructions:** `rep, repe/repz, repne/repnz, movs/movsb/movsw, cmps/cmpsb/cmptsw, ins/insb/insw, outs/outsb/outsw, scas/sacsb/scasw, lods/lodsb/lodsw`
5. **Program Execution Transfer Instructions:** `call, ret, jmp, ja/jnbe, jae/jnb, jbe/jna, jc, je/jz, jg/jnle, jge/jnl, jl/jnge, jle/jng, jnc, jne/jnz, jno, jnp/jpo, jns, jo, jp/jpe, js, loop, loope/loopz, loopne/loopnz, jcxz`
6. **Processor Control Instructions:** `stc, clc, cmc, std, cld, sti, cli`
7. **Interrupt Instructions:** `int, into, iret`

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The 8086/88 Program Structure/Layout:

```

Seg_name1  SEGMENT
    .
    .
    .
    } Directives/instructions
Seg_name1  ENDS

Seg_name2  SEGMENT
    .
    .
    .
    } Directives/instructions
Seg_name2  ENDS

.
.

Seg_nameX  SEGMENT
Start_label:
    .
    .
    .
    } Directives/instructions
Seg_nameX  ENDS
            END Start_label

```

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Useful notes:

- General format of an assembly instruction is:

Label: Mnemonic Operand, Operand ;Comment to document and help readers

Example: Loop: mov ax, array+100[bx] ; Load the next element of the array into accumulator

- You can use numbers in the assembly program in Decimal, Octal, Binary and Hexadecimal bases using D, O, B, and H suffixes. For example, we can write:

Example: 000001010111B == 0127O == 87D or 87 == 057H

- You can use:
 - **DB** (define byte), **DW** (define word), **DD** (define double-word) directives to define a variable and initialize it; (sophisticated ways to define more complex types)
 - prefix **SEGMENT (OFFSET)** before a label to get its **Segment address (Offset within its segment)**
 - prefix **PTR** is used before an address or expression to indicate its type (byte, word, dword) or its reference distance (near, far)
 - **EQU** (Equate) directive to define a constant/variable/expression and name it.
Example: Ten EQU 10 ; then use as: add AX,Ten == Add AX,10
 Convert_byte_to_word EQU CBW ; then use as: Convert_byte_to_word == CBW
 - **ORG** (Originate) directive to move Location Counter at a given address.
Example: ORG 100h
 - **EVEN** directive to move Location Counter at next even address (pass one byte if the current address is odd).

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Examples of Variable Definition:

```

....
; Let us assume Location Counter = 0018h here.
var1: db 10, 2 dup(-1), 101b, 760, 2 dup(0, 11h) ;@var1= 0018h
var2: dw -2, 7689h, 256, 2 dup (-1,?) ) ; my words (@var2 = 0021h)
ham: dd 100, ?, 12345678h ) ; @ham = 002Fh
my_vector: db 10 dup (?) ) ; @my_vector = 003Bh
my_str: db 'abcdefg', 0, -1, 2, 3 dup ('A') ) ; @my_str = 0045h
Titan: db 2 dup('allah', 0) ) ; @Titan = 0052h
Array5: db 20 dup (101b) ) ; @Array5 = 005Eh
; Here Location Counter = 0072h
....
....
    
```

Symbol	Address
var1	0018h
var2	0021h
ham	002Fh
my_vector	003Bh
My_str	0045h
Titan	0052h
Array5	005Eh

The diagram illustrates the mapping of assembly instructions to their corresponding hexadecimal values in memory. A red arrow points from the instruction `@var1= 0018h` to the address `0018h` in the memory segment. The memory segment is shown as a vertical stack of addresses and their corresponding byte or word values.

Address	Value
0018h	0A FF FF 05
001Ch	3E 00 11 00
0020h	11 FE FF 89
0024h	76 00 01 FF
0028h	FF ?? ?? FF
002Ch	FF ?? ?? 64
0030h	00 00 00 ??
0034h	?? ?? ?? 78
0038h	56 34 12 ??
003Ch	?? ?? ?? ??
0040h	?? ?? ?? ??
0044h	?? 61 62 63
0048h	64 65 66 67
004Ch	00 FF 02 41
0050h	41 41 61 6C
0054h	6C 61 68 00
0058h	61 6C 6C 61
005Ch	68 00 05 05
0060h	05 05 05 05
0064h	05 05 05 05
0068h	05 05 05 05
006Ch	05 05 05 05
0070h	05 05

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User Defined Type and Structure:

Structure nameSTRUC
Sequence of DB, DW, and DD directives
Structure nameENDS

Example:
Personnel_dataSTRUC
IDDW0
InitialsDB'XX'
Last_nameDB10 Dup (?)
AgeDB20
WeightDB?
Personnel_dataENDS

Data_seg1SEGMENT
Location counter =20h here
Employee1Personnel_data<124, 'DA', 'Trump', '?', 90>
Employee2Personnel_data<123,,,>
Employee3Personnel_data<>
OthersPersonnel_data2 Dup (<,'-',10 dup('-',),80>)
Data_seg1ENDS

Data_seg1 (logical view)

0020h	7C	00	'D'	'A'
0024h	'T'	'r'	'u'	'm'
0028h	'p'	' '	' '	' '
002Ch	' '	' '	??	5A
0030h	7B	00	'X'	'X'
0034h	??	??	??	??
0038h	??	??	??	??
003Ch	??	??	14	??
0040h	00	00	'X'	'X'
0044h	??	??	??	??
0048h	??	??	??	??
004Ch	??	??	14	??
0050h	00	00	' '	' '
0054h	' '	' '	' '	' '
0058h	' '	' '	' '	' '
005Ch	' '	' '	14	50
0060h	00	00	' '	' '
0064h	' '	' '	' '	' '
0068h	' '	' '	' '	' '
006Ch	' '	' '	14	50
0070h				

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User Defined Records:

Record nameRECORDfield specification, ..., field specification

Example:
PatternRECORDOPCODE:8=0,Md:2=3,Reg:3,R_M:3

0000000011--- ---

OPCODEMdRegR/M

....

Data_seg1SEGMENT
Location Counter =20h here
Instruction1Pattern<100, 4,5>, <>
Instruction2Pattern<0,1,1>
ProgramPattern10 Dup(<>)
Data_seg1ENDS

Data_seg1 (logical view)

0020h	64	E5	00	??
0024h	00	09	00	??
0028h	00	??	00	??
002Ch	00	??	00	??
0030h	00	??	00	??
0034h	00	??	00	??
0038h	00	??		
003Ch				

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User Defined Type and Structure:

Example:

Pattern **RECORD** OPCODE:8=0,Md:2=3,Reg:3,R_M:3

Personnel_data **STRUC**

```

    ID      DW      0
    Last_name DB    10 Dup (?)
    Age     DB     20

```

Personnel_data **ENDS**

Data_seg1 **SEGMENT**

```

    Employees      Personnel_data 100 Dup (<1,10 dup(' '),>)
    New_Employee   Personnel_data <>
    Instr1         Pattern <>
    Instr2         Pattern <>

```

Data_seg1 **ENDS**

Now, we can write in our program:

```

    mov     New_employee.Age, AL
    add     Employees.ID[SI],1    ; SI can be incremented in a loop by 13 (structure size)
    mov     ax,Instr1
    or      ax, 1111011100111111B
    mov     Instr2,ax             ; (Instr2) = 11110111 11 111 111B

```

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Questions?

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