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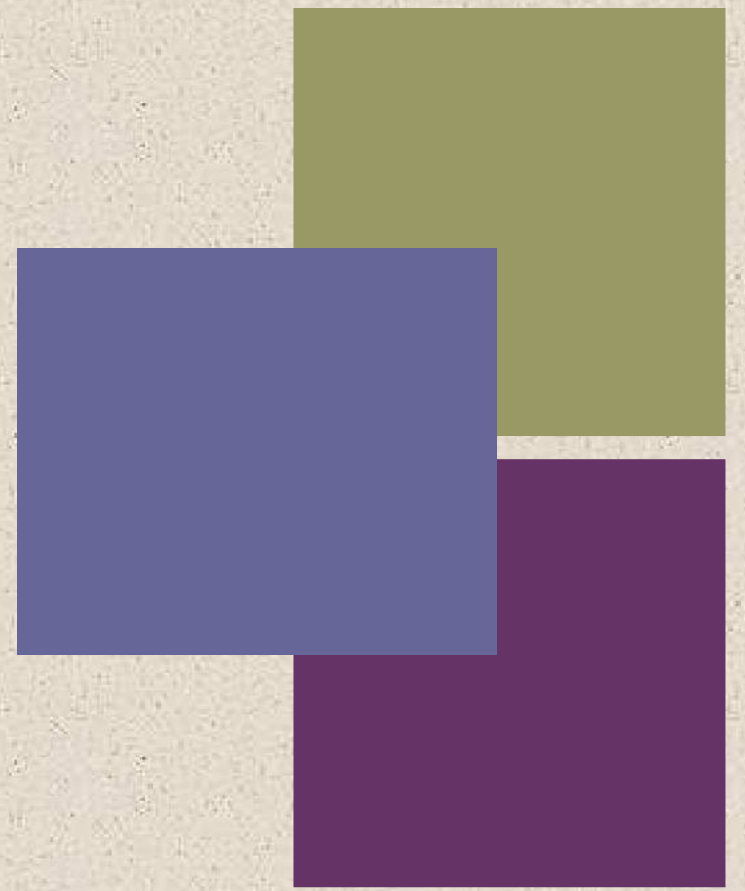


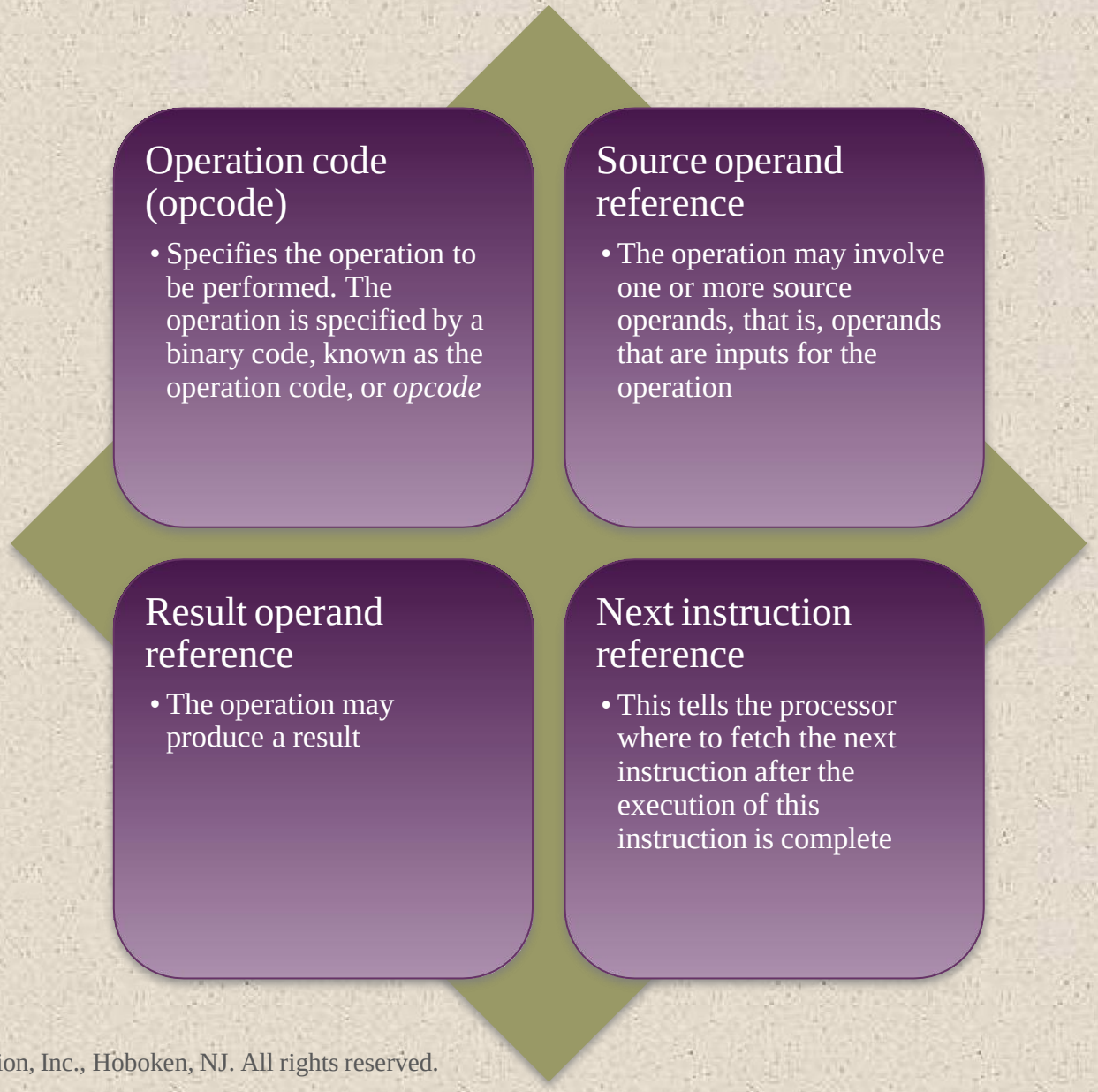
Chapter 12

Instruction Sets: Characteristics and Functions

Machine Instruction Characteristics

- The operation of the processor is determined by the instructions it executes, referred to as *machine instructions* or *computer instructions*
- The collection of different instructions that the processor can execute is referred to as the processor's *instruction set*
- Each instruction must contain the information required by the processor for execution

Elements of a Machine Instruction



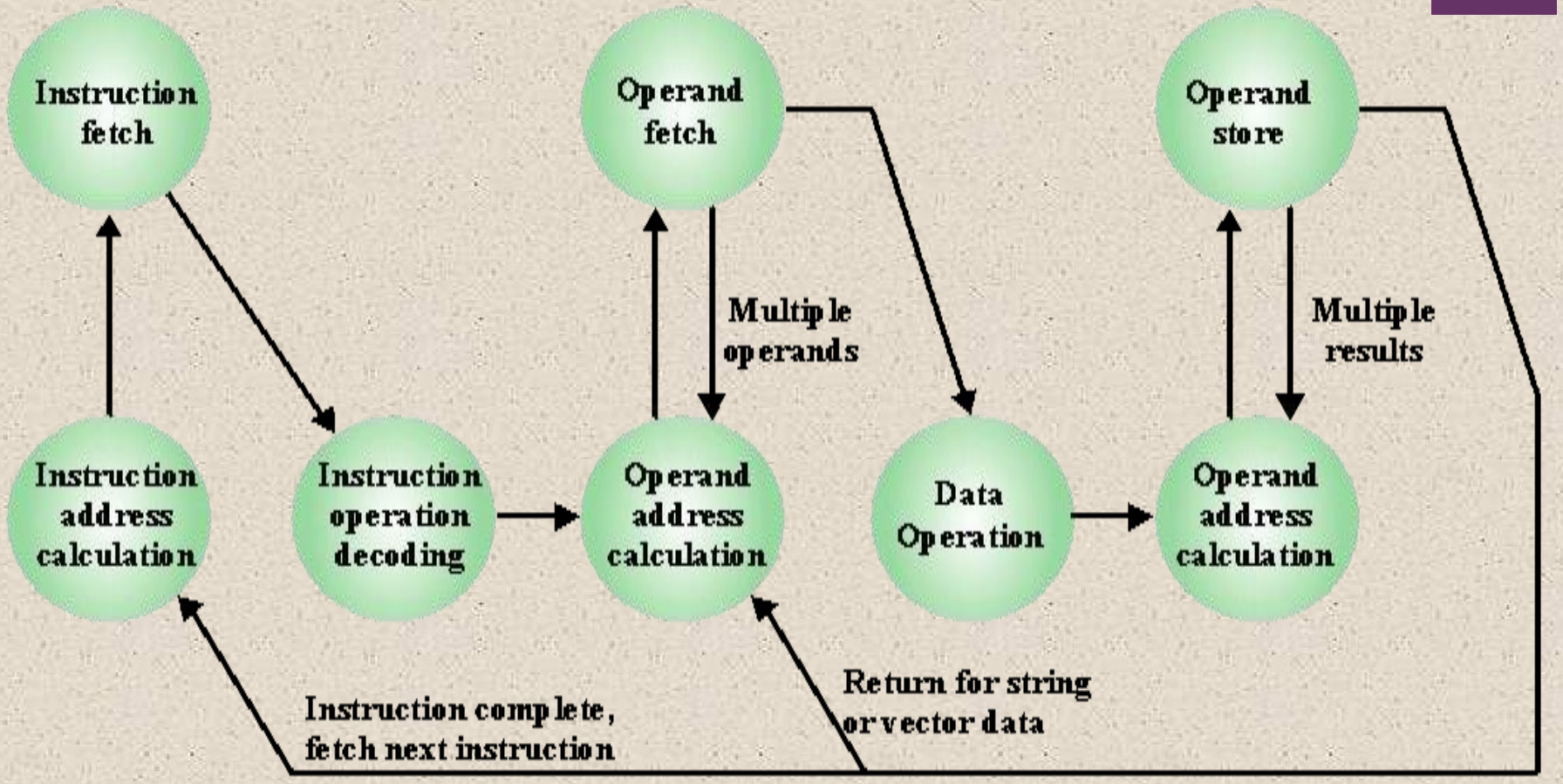


Figure 12.1 Instruction Cycle State Diagram

Source and result operands can be in one of four areas:

1) Main or virtual memory
   - As with next instruction references, the main or virtual memory address must be supplied

2) I/O device
   - The instruction must specify the I/O module and device for the operation. If memory-mapped I/O is used, this is just another main or virtual memory address

3) Processor register
   - A processor contains one or more registers that may be referenced by machine instructions.
   - If more than one register exists each register is assigned a unique name or number and the instruction must contain the number of the desired register

4) Immediate
   - The value of the operand is contained in a field in the instruction being executed

Instruction Representation

- Within the computer each instruction is represented by a sequence of bits
- The instruction is divided into fields, corresponding to the constituent elements of the instruction

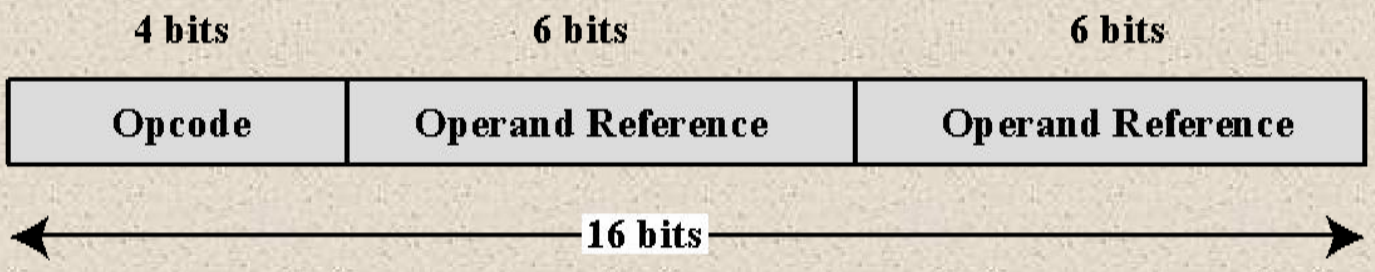


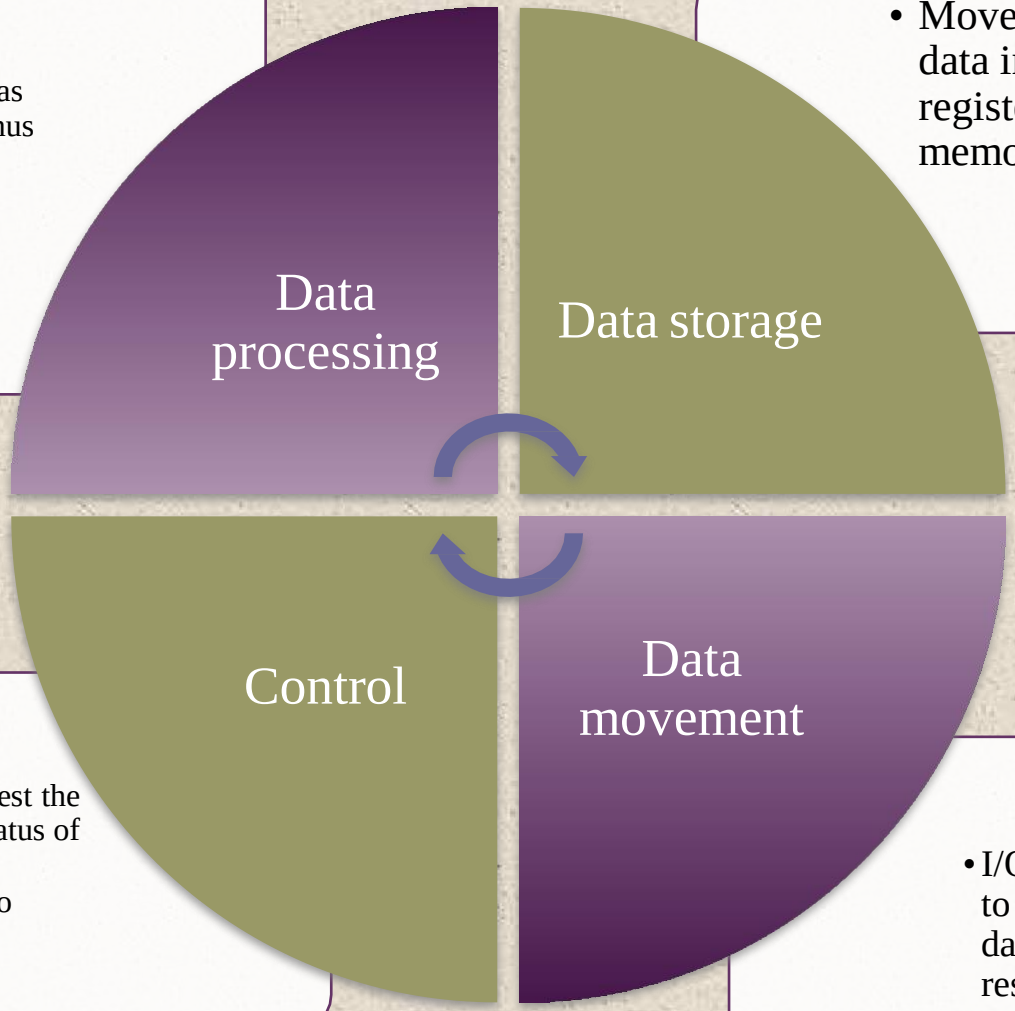
Figure 12.2 A Simple Instruction Format

Instruction Representation

- Opcodes are represented by abbreviations called *mnemonics*
- Examples include:
  - ADD Add
  - SUB Subtract
  - MUL Multiply
  - DIV Divide
  - LOAD Load data from memory
  - STOR Store data to memory
- Operands are also represented symbolically
- Each symbolic opcode has a fixed binary representation
  - The programmer specifies the location of each symbolic operand

Instruction Types

- Arithmetic instructions provide computational capabilities for processing numeric data
- Logic (Boolean) instructions operate on the bits of a word as bits rather than as numbers, thus they provide capabilities for processing any other type of data the user may wish to employ



- Movement of data into or out of register and or memory locations

- Test instructions are used to test the value of a data word or the status of a computation
- Branch instructions are used to branch to a different set of instructions depending on the decision made

- I/O instructions are needed to transfer programs and data into memory and the results of computations back out to the user

Instruction		Comment
SUB	Y, A, B	$Y \leftarrow A - B$
MPY	T, D, E	$T \leftarrow D \times E$
ADD	T, T, C	$T \leftarrow T + C$
DIV	Y, Y, T	$Y \leftarrow Y \div T$

(a) Three-address instructions

Instruction		Comment
MOVE	Y, A	$Y \leftarrow A$
SUB	Y, B	$Y \leftarrow Y - B$
MOVE	T, D	$T \leftarrow D$
MPY	T, E	$T \leftarrow T \times E$
ADD	T, C	$T \leftarrow T + C$
DIV	Y, T	$Y \leftarrow Y \div T$

(b) Two-address instructions

Instruction		Comment
LOAD	D	$AC \leftarrow D$
MPY	E	$AC \leftarrow AC \times E$
ADD	C	$AC \leftarrow AC + C$
STOR	Y	$Y \leftarrow AC$
LOAD	A	$AC \leftarrow A$
SUB	B	$AC \leftarrow AC - B$
DIV	Y	$AC \leftarrow AC \div Y$
STOR	Y	$Y \leftarrow AC$

(c) One-address instructions

Figure 12.3 Programs to Execute $Y = \dfrac{A - B}{C + (D \times E)}$

Table 12.1
Utilization of Instruction Addresses (Non branching Instructions)

Number of Addresses	Symbolic Representation	Interpretation
3	OP A, B, C	A ← B OP C
2	OP A, B	A ← A OP B
1	OP A	AC ← AC OP A
0	OP	T ← (T – 1) OP T

AC = accumulator
T = top of stack
(T – 1) = second element of stack
A, B, C = memory or register locations

Instruction Set Design

Very complex because it affects so many aspects of the computer system

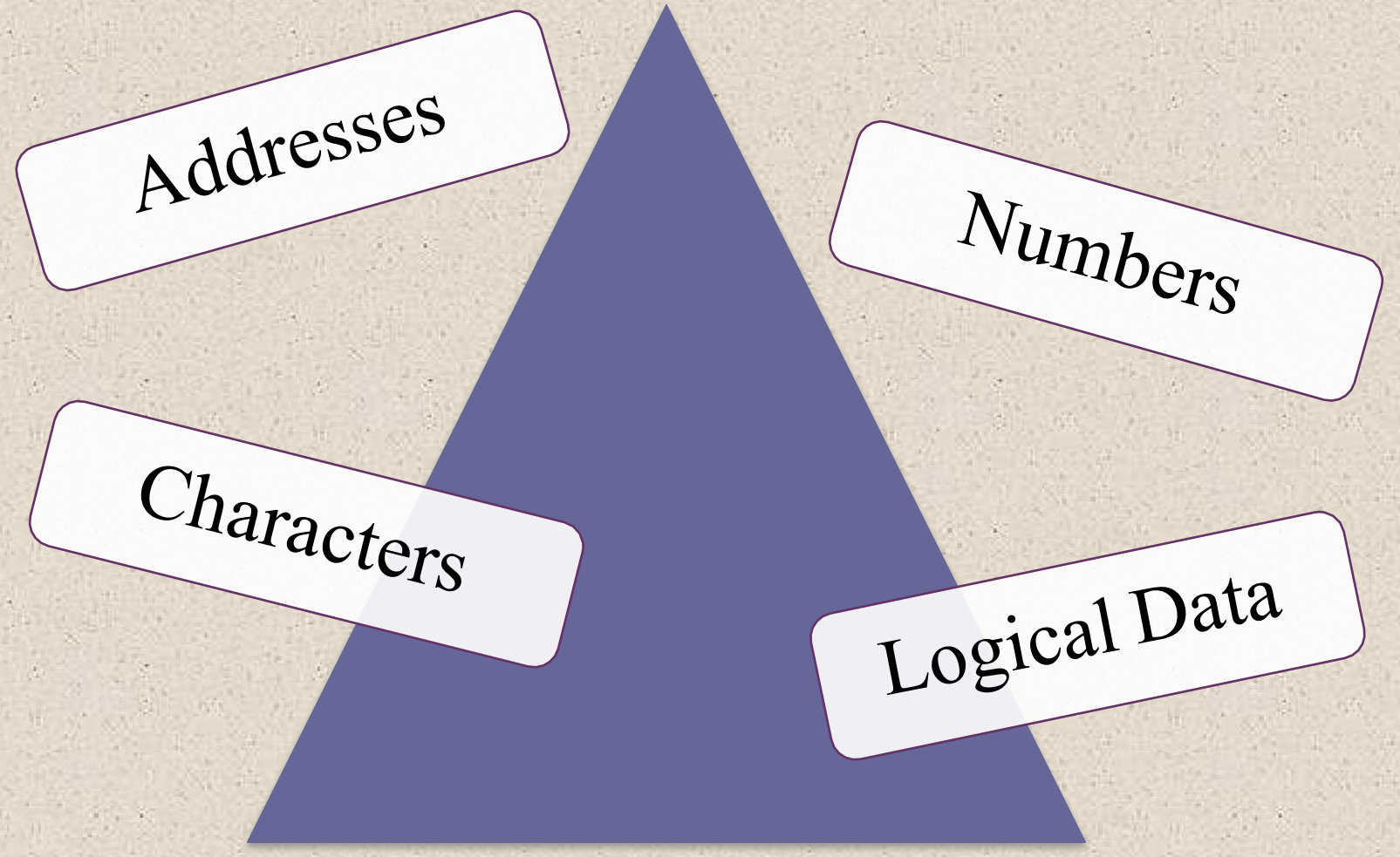
Defines many of the functions performed by the processor

Programmer's means of controlling the processor

Fundamental design issues:

Operation repertoire	Data types	Instruction format	Registers	Addressing
•How many and which operations to provide and how complex operations should be	•The various types of data upon which operations are performed	•Instruction length in bits, number of addresses, size of various fields, etc.	•Number of processor registers that can be referenced by instructions and their use	•The mode or modes by which the address of an operand is specified

Types of Operands



Numbers

- All machine languages include numeric data types
- Numbers stored in a computer are limited:
  - Limit to the magnitude of numbers representable on a machine
  - In the case of floating-point numbers, a limit to their precision
- Three types of numerical data are common in computers:
  - Binary integer or binary fixed point
  - Binary floating point
  - Decimal
- Packed decimal
  - Each decimal digit is represented by a 4-bit code with two digits stored per byte
  - To form numbers 4-bit codes are strung together, usually in multiples of 8 bits

Characters

- A common form of data is text or character strings
- Textual data in character form cannot be easily stored or transmitted by data processing and communications systems because they are designed for binary data
- Most commonly used character code is the International Reference Alphabet (IRA)
  - Referred to in the United States as the American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII)
- Another code used to encode characters is the Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code (EBCDIC)
  - EBCDIC is used on IBM mainframes

Logical Data

- An *n*-bit unit consisting of *n* 1-bit items of data, each item having the value 0 or 1
- Two advantages to bit-oriented view:
  - Memory can be used most efficiently for storing an array of Boolean or binary data items in which each item can take on only the values 1 (true) and 0 (false)
  - To manipulate the bits of a data item
    - If floating-point operations are implemented in software, we need to be able to shift significant bits in some operations
    - To convert from IRA to packed decimal, we need to extract the rightmost 4 bits of each byte

Data Type	Description
General	Byte, word (16 bits), doubleword (32 bits), quadword (64 bits), and double quadword (128 bits) locations with arbitrary binary contents.
Integer	A signed binary value co4ntained in a byte, word, or doubleword, using twos complement representation.
Ordinal	An unsigned integer contained in a byte, word, or doubleword.
Unpacked binary coded decimal (BCD)	A representation of a BCD digit in the range 0 through 9, with one digit in each byte.
Packed BCD	Packed byte representation of two BCD digits; value in the range 0 to 99.
Near pointer	A 16-bit, 32-bit, or 64-bit effective address that represents the offset within a segment. Used for all pointers in a nonsegmented memory and for references within a segment in a segmented memory.
Far pointer	A logical address consisting of a 16-bit segment selector and an offset of 16, 32, or 64 bits. Far pointers are used for memory references in a segmented memory model where the identity of a segment being accessed must be specified explicitly.
Bit field	A contiguous sequence of bits in which the position of each bit is considered as an independent unit. A bit string can begin at any bit position of any byte and can contain up to 32 bits.
Bit string	A contiguous sequence of bits, containing from zero to $2_{32} - 1$ bits.
Byte string	A contiguous sequence of bytes, words, or doublewords, containing from zero to $2_{32} - 1$ bytes.
Floating point	See Figure 12.4.
Packed SIMD (single instruction, multiple data)	Packed 64-bit and 128-bit data types

Table 12.2

x86 Data Types

Big Endian vs Little Endian Byte Ordering

Byte ordering

2 different standard byte orders

- Little Endian
- Big Endian

Little and big endian are two ways of storing multibyte data-types (int, float, etc).

little endian machines, last byte of binary representation of the multibyte data-type is stored first.

In big endian machines, first byte of binary representation of the multibyte data-type is stored first.

Big Endian vs Little Endian Byte Ordering

What part of the 32 bit quantity is stored at each address?

Address	Contents
100	
101	
102	
103	

a 32 bit integer is stored in memory at location 100

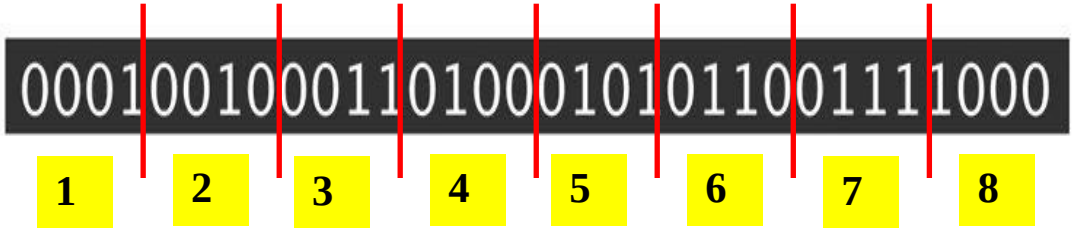
Stored in locations:
100, 101, 102, 103

Big Endian vs Little Endian Byte Ordering

What part of the 32 bit quantity is stored at each address?

Binary data

Hexa decimal equivalent for the above binary data



Address	Contents
100	
101	
102	
103	

Recall:

Each hex digit corresponds to 4 bits

2 hex digits represent 8 bits or one byte

Big Endian vs Little Endian Byte Ordering

Little Endian

least significant to most significant

Address	Contents
100	78
101	56
102	34
103	12

"the little end"

12 34 56 78

MS-Most Significant

LS-Least Significant

Big Endian vs Little Endian Byte Ordering

Big Endian

most significant to least significant

Address	Contents
100	12
101	34
102	56
103	78

"the big end"

12 34 56 78

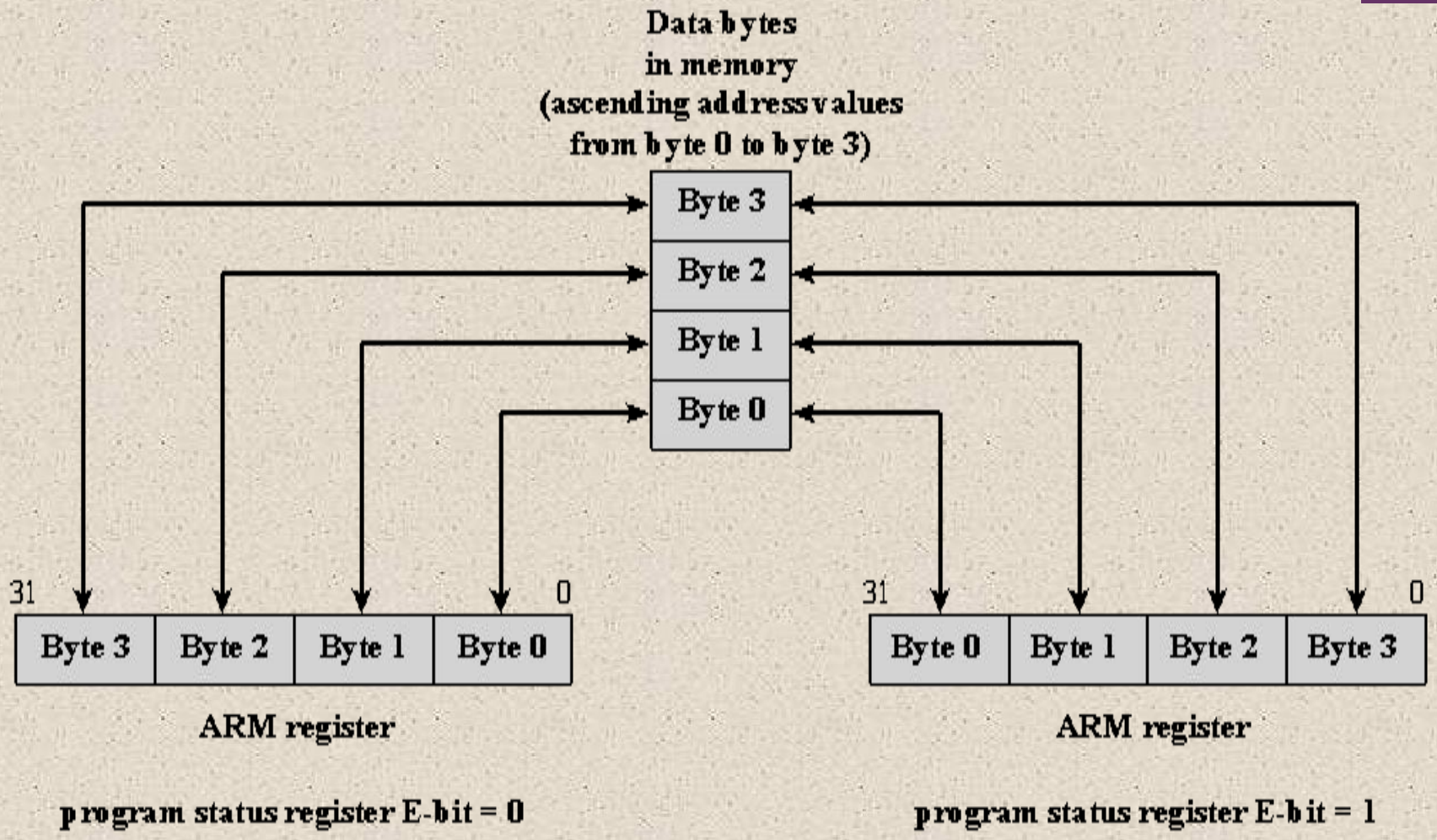


Figure 12.5 ARM Endian Support - Word Load/Store with E-bit

Type	Operation Name	Description
Data Transfer	Move (transfer)	Transfer word or block from source to destination
	Store	Transfer word from processor to memory
	Load (fetch)	Transfer word from memory to processor
	Exchange	Swap contents of source and destination
	Clear (reset)	Transfer word of 0s to destination
	Set	Transfer word of 1s to destination
	Push	Transfer word from source to top of stack
	Pop	Transfer word from top of stack to destination
Arithmetic	Add	Compute sum of two operands
	Subtract	Compute difference of two operands
	Multiply	Compute product of two operands
	Divide	Compute quotient of two operands
	Absolute	Replace operand by its absolute value
	Negate	Change sign of operand
	Increment	Add 1 to operand
	Decrement	Subtract 1 from operand
Logical	AND	Perform logical AND
	OR	Perform logical OR
	NOT (complement)	Perform logical NOT
	Exclusive-OR	Perform logical XOR
	Test	Test specified condition; set flag(s) based on outcome
	Compare	Make logical or arithmetic comparison of two or more operands; set flag(s) based on outcome
	Set Control Variables	Class of instructions to set controls for protection purposes, interrupt handling, timer control, etc.
	Shift	Left (right) shift operand, introducing constants at end
	Rotate	Left (right) shift operand, with wraparound end

Table 12.3

Common Instruction Set Operations (page 1 of 2)

(Table can be found on page 426 in textbook.)

Type	Operation Name	Description
Transfer of Control	Jump (branch)	Unconditional transfer; load PC with specified address
	Jump Conditional	Test specified condition; either load PC with specified address or do nothing, based on condition
	Jump to Subroutine	Place current program control information in known location; jump to specified address
	Return	Replace contents of PC and other register from known location
	Execute	Fetch operand from specified location and execute as instruction; do not modify PC
	Skip	Increment PC to skip next instruction
	Skip Conditional	Test specified condition; either skip or do nothing based on condition
	Halt	Stop program execution
	Wait (hold)	Stop program execution; test specified condition repeatedly; resume execution when condition is satisfied
	No operation	No operation is performed, but program execution is continued
Input/Output	Input (read)	Transfer data from specified I/O port or device to destination (e.g., main memory or processor register)
	Output (write)	Transfer data from specified source to I/O port or device
	Start I/O	Transfer instructions to I/O processor to initiate I/O operation
	Test I/O	Transfer status information from I/O system to specified destination
Conversion	Translate	Translate values in a section of memory based on a table of correspondences
	Convert	Convert the contents of a word from one form to another (e.g., packed decimal to binary)

Table 12.3

Common Instruction Set Operations (page 2 of 2)

(Table can be found on page 426 in textbook.)

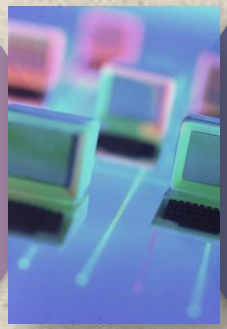
Table 12.4
Processor Actions for Various Types of Operations

Data Transfer	Transfer data from one location to another
	If memory is involved: Determine memory address Perform virtual-to-actual-memory address transformation Check cache Initiate memory read/write
Arithmetic	May involve data transfer, before and/or after
	Perform function in ALU
	Set condition codes and flags
Logical	Same as arithmetic
Conversion	Similar to arithmetic and logical. May involve special logic to perform conversion
Transfer of Control	Update program counter. For subroutine call/return, manage parameter passing and linkage
I/O	Issue command to I/O module
	If memory-mapped I/O, determine memory-mapped address

(Table can be found on page 427 in textbook.)

Data Transfer

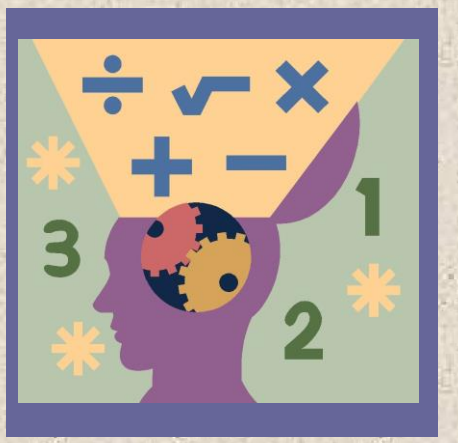
Most fundamental type of machine instruction



Must specify:

- Location of the source and destination operands
- The length of data to be transferred must be indicated
- The mode of addressing for each operand must be specified

Arithmetic



- Most machines provide the basic arithmetic operations of add, subtract, multiply, and divide
- These are provided for signed integer (fixed-point) numbers
- Often they are also provided for floating-point and packed decimal numbers
- Other possible operations include a variety of single-operand instructions:
  - Absolute
    - Take the absolute value of the operand
  - Negate
    - Negate the operand
  - Increment
    - Add 1 to the operand

  Decrement
    - Subtract 1 from the operand

Table 12.6
Basic Logical Operations

P	Q	NOT P	P AND Q	P OR Q	P XOR Q	P=Q
0	0	1	0	0	0	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	1	0
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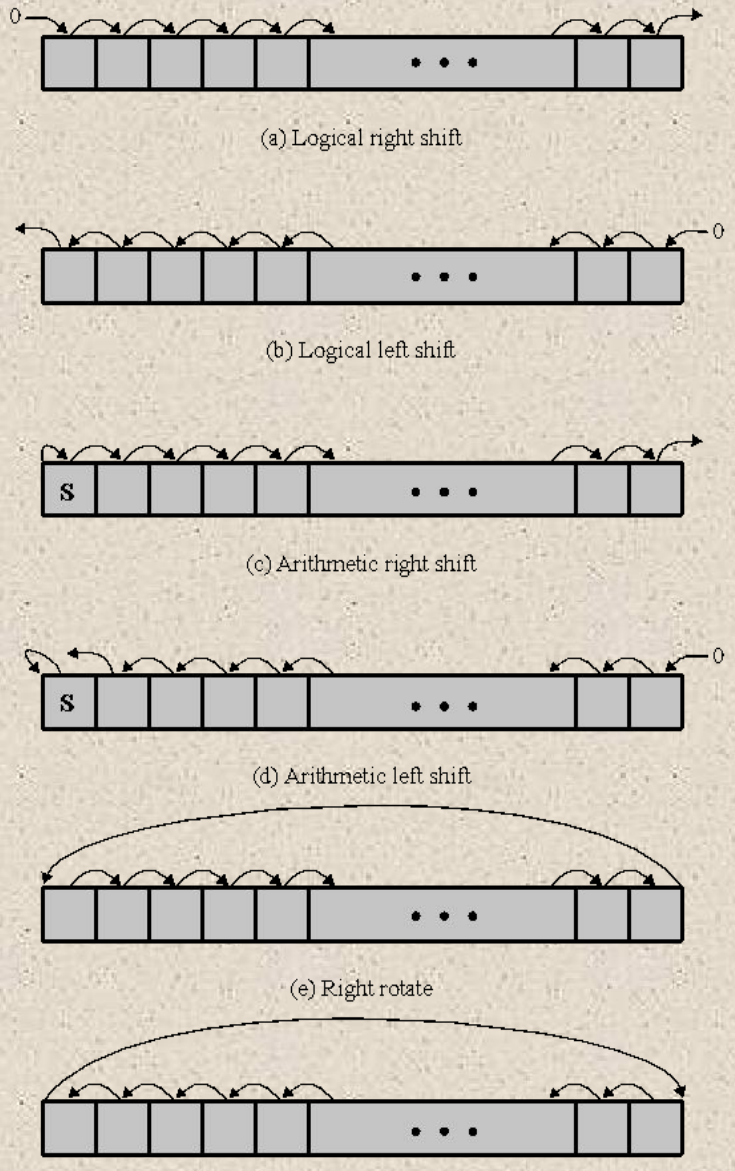

Table 12.7

Examples of Shift and Rotate Operations

Input	Operation	Result
10100110	Logical right shift (3 bits)	00010100
10100110	Logical left shift (3 bits)	00110000
10100110	Arithmetic right shift (3 bits)	11110100
10100110	Arithmetic left shift (3 bits)	10110000
10100110	Right rotate (3 bits)	11010100
10100110	Left rotate (3 bits)	00110101