

Microprocessors

Von Neumann Architecture

Its key principle is the **stored-program concept**, where **instructions and data share the same memory and bus system**.

- **Single memory space** for both instructions and data.
- **Single bus** for data and instructions
- **Sequential execution**: Fetch → Decode → Execute cycle.

Advantages:

- Simpler design, cost-effective.
- Flexible for general-purpose computing.

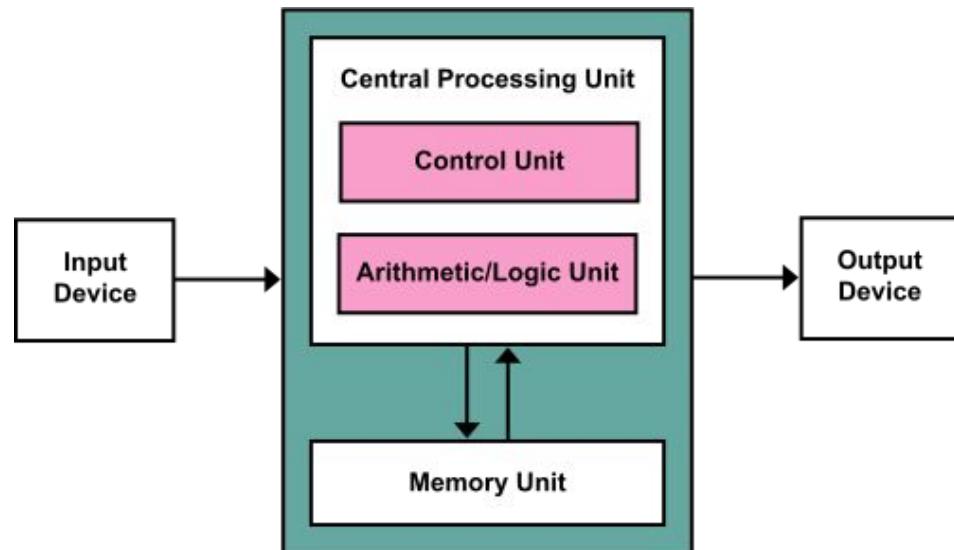
Limitations:

- Performance bottleneck due to shared bus.
- Vulnerable to certain security issues (e.g., code injection).

Intel x86 family (8086, 80286, 80386, etc.)

ARM processors (in most general-purpose configurations)

General-purpose CPUs in PCs, laptops, servers.



Harvard Architecture

The **Harvard architecture** stores **instructions and data in separate memory units**, each with its own bus.

- **Separate instruction and data memory.**
- **Independent buses** → allows simultaneous fetching of instructions and data.
- Often used in **real-time systems** and **embedded applications**.

Advantages:

- Faster execution (parallel access).
- Predictable performance (ideal for embedded systems).

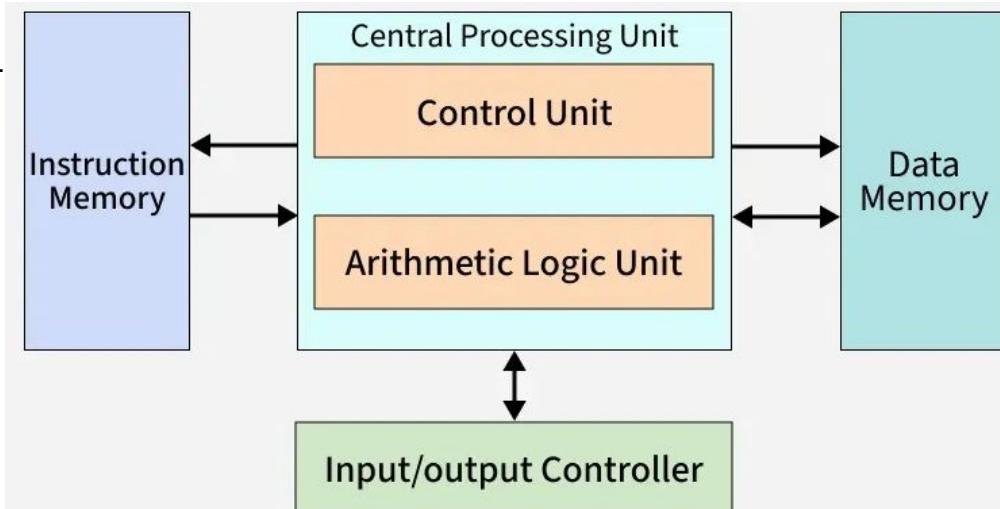
Disadvantages:

- More complex and expensive to implement.
- Less flexible for general-purpose computing.

Microcontrollers: PIC, AVR, ARM Cortex-M series.

DSPs: Texas Instruments TMS320, Motorola DSPs.

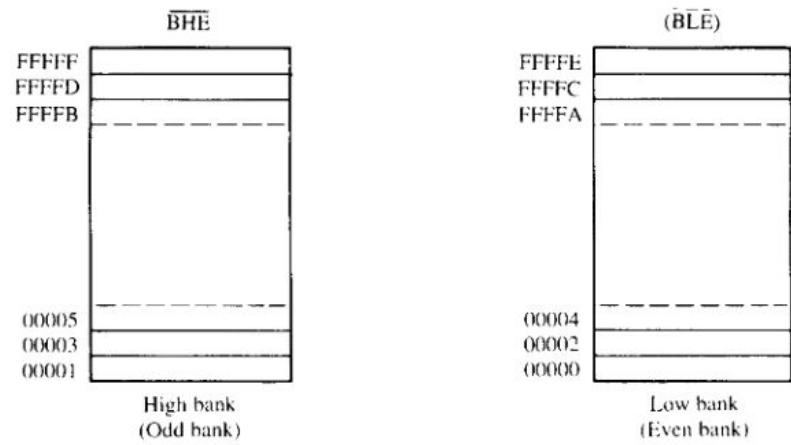
Embedded systems: Automotive, IoT devices.



Memory banking

The 8086 must be able to write data to any 16-bit location—or any 8-bit location. This means that the 16-bit data bus must be divided into two separate sections (or banks) that are 8 bits wide so that the microprocessor can write to either half (8-bit) or both halves (16-bit).

FIGURE 10–27 The high (odd) and low (even) 8-bit memory banks of the 8086/80286/80386SX microprocessors.



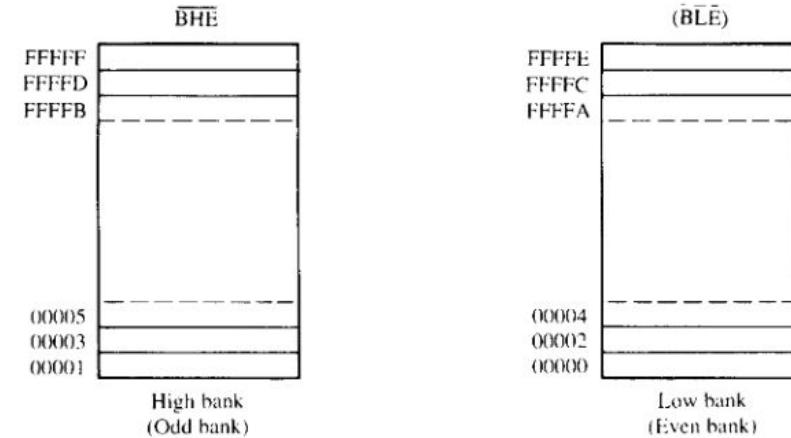
low bank holds all the even-numbered memory locations
high bank holds all the odd-numbered memory locations.

- BLE' also call A₀

Note: A₀ is labeled **BLE** (Bus low enable) on the 80386SX.

Memory banking

FIGURE 10–27 The high (odd) and low (even) 8-bit memory banks of the 8086/80286/80386SX microprocessors.



Note: A_0 is labeled **BLE** (Bus low enable) on the 80386SX.

TABLE 10–2 Memory bank selection using **BHE** and **BLE** (A_0).

BHE	BLE	<i>Function</i>
0	0	Both banks enabled for a 16-bit transfer
0	1	High bank enabled for an 8-bit transfer
1	0	Low bank enabled for an 8-bit transfer
1	1	No bank enabled

Memory Banking

1 MB Memory [A19 – A0]

512 KB [ODD BANK]

- It is also called higher bank
- These memory bank is selected when $\overline{BHE} = 0$
- Range of Address is

00001H
00003H
.....
FFFFFH

\overline{BHE} →

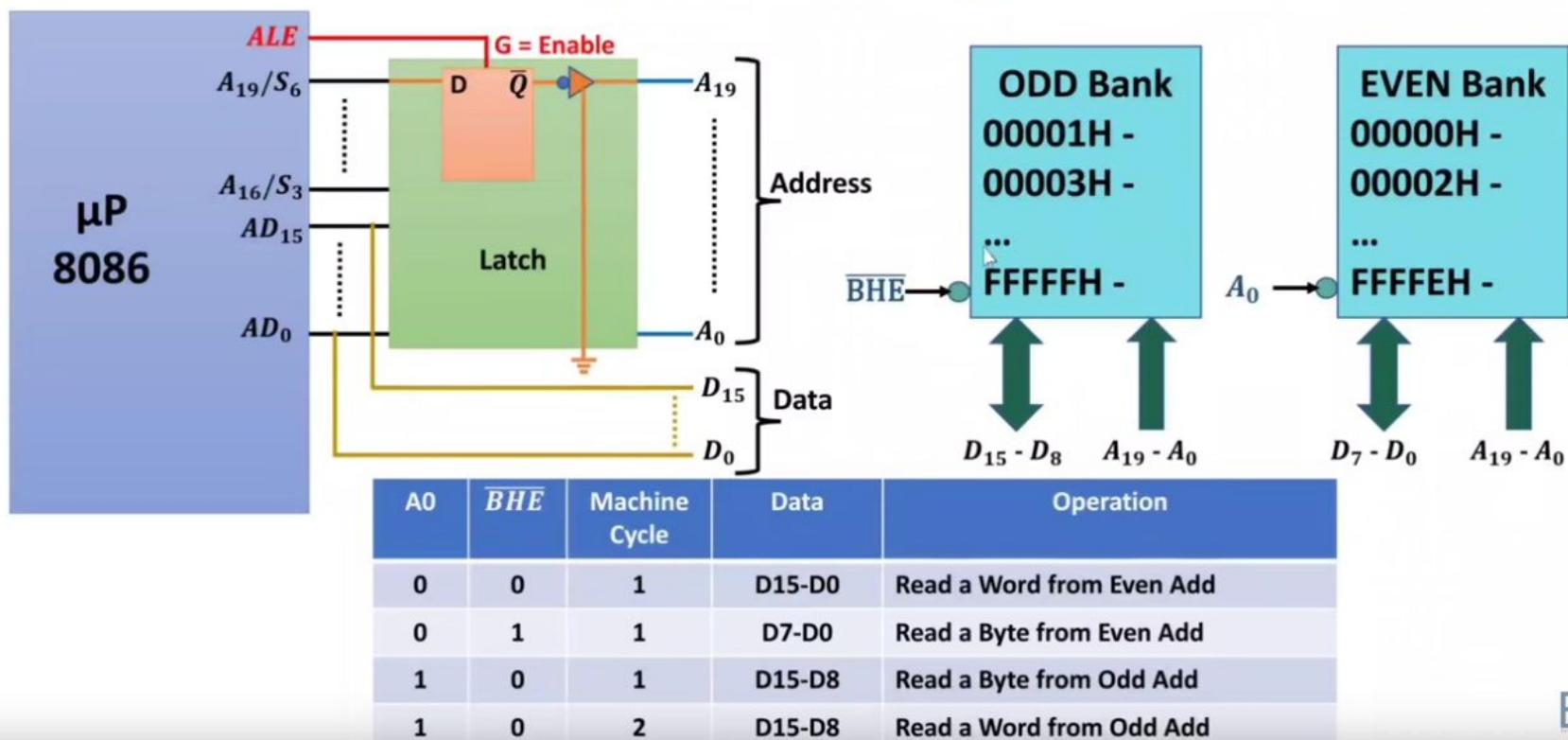
512 KB [EVEN BANK]

- It is also called Lower bank
- These memory bank is selected when $A_0 = 0$
- Range of Address is

00000H
00002H
.....
FFFFEH

A_0 →

Memory Banking



Memory interfacing

□ Design following system with 8086 microprocessor.

1. 8086 working in minimum mode with 8MHz.
2. 64KB EPROM using 32KB EPROM
3. 128KB RAM using 64KB RAM

▪ In Memory interfacing, we need to interface four categories of lines:

- Address Lines
- Data Lines
- Control Lines
- Chip Select

▪ 64KB EPROM using 32KB EPROM

- Numbers of Chips = 2 chips of 32KB EPROM [one chip for even address and another for odd address]

▪ Address lines for 64KB Address = $2^{10} \times 2^6 = 2^{16}$

- So it needs 16 address lines.

▪ Data Lines for 64KB = 8 [For Byte, it is 8 bits]

▪ Control Lines for 64KB EPROM = Memory Read

▪ 128KB RAM using 64KB RAM

- Numbers of Chips = 2 chips of 64KB RAM [one chip for even address and another for odd address]

▪ Address lines for 128KB Address = $2^{10} \times 2^7 = 2^{17}$

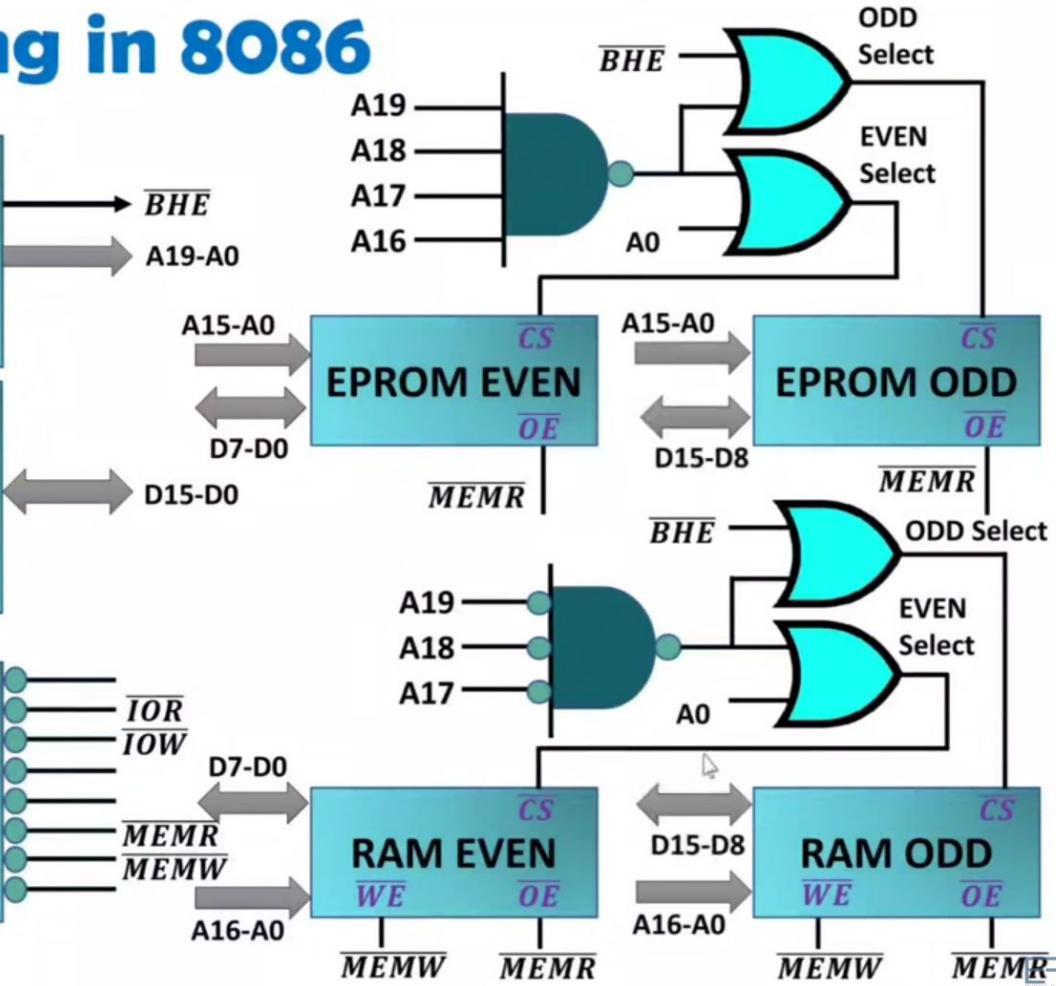
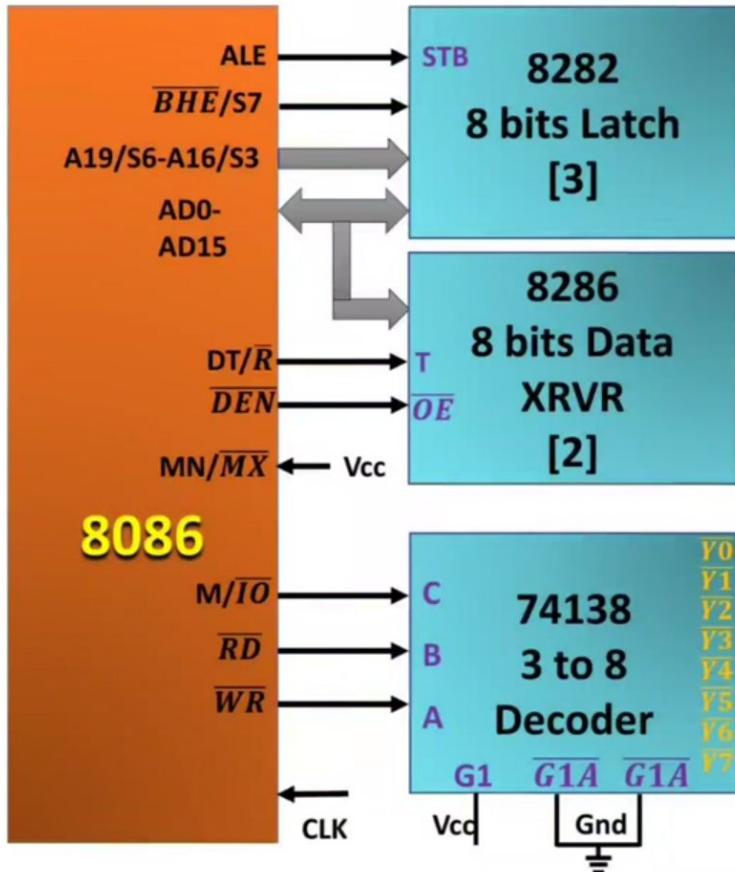
- So it needs 17 address lines.

▪ Data Lines for 128KB = 8 [For Byte, it is 8 bits]

▪ Control Lines for 128KB RAM = Memory Read & Memory Write.

Memory IC	A19	A18	A17	A16	A15	A14	A13	A12	A11	A10	A9	A8	A7	A6	A5	A4	A3	A2	A1	A0	Address
EPROM 1 [Lower Byte]	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	F0000H
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	FFFFEH
EPROM 2 [Higher Byte]	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	F0001H
	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	FFFFFH
RAM 1 [Lower Byte]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	00000H
	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1FFFFEH
RAM 2 [Higher Byte]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	00001H
	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1FFFFH

Memory Interfacing in 8086



I/O interface

Microprocessors interact with external devices such as keyboards, displays, and sensors through Input/Output (I/O) operations. There are two primary methods for interfacing I/O devices:

1. Isolated I/O (I/O Mapped I/O)

I/O devices are assigned a separate address space distinct from the memory address space. The CPU uses special instructions to communicate with these devices.

- **Separate Address Space:** I/O devices are accessed using a dedicated I/O address range (e.g., 0x0000 to 0x00FF).
- **Special Instructions:** Uses IN and OUT instructions to read/write data.
- **Limited Address Range:** Typically supports 256 or 65,536 I/O ports depending on architecture.
- **No Memory Overlap:** Memory and I/O addresses are completely independent.

I/O interface

1. Isolated I/O (I/O Mapped I/O) - example

```
MOV DX, 03F8h      ; Load COM1 port address into DX  
  
MOV AL, 'A'        ; Load ASCII character 'A' into AL  
  
OUT DX, AL         ; Send 'A' to the serial port
```

Advantages:

- Efficient use of memory space.
- Simple decoding logic for I/O devices.
- Clear separation between memory and I/O operations.

◆ Disadvantages:

- Requires special instructions.
- Limited number of I/O ports.

I/O interface

1. Memory-Mapped I/O

In memory-mapped I/O, I/O devices are assigned addresses within the same address space as memory. The CPU accesses them using standard memory instructions.

- **Shared Address Space:** I/O devices are treated like memory locations.
- **Standard Instructions:** Uses instructions like MOV, LDA, STA, etc.
- **Flexible Addressing:** Can use full memory range for I/O devices.
- **No Need for Special Instructions:** Easier for compilers and high-level languages.

I/O interface

1. Memory-Mapped I/O - example

```
MOV AX, [1234h] ; Read from memory-mapped I/O device at address 1234h
```

```
MOV [1234h], AX ; Write to memory-mapped I/O device
```

Advantages:

- Easier integration with software tools.
- Allows complex data structures and buffers.
- More I/O devices can be supported.

◆ Disadvantages:

- Reduces available memory space.
- Requires more complex address decoding.

I/O interface

TABLE 11–1 Input/Output instructions.

<i>Instruction</i>	<i>Data Width</i>	<i>Function</i>
IN AL, p8	8	A byte is input into AL from port p8
IN AX, p8	16	A word is input into AX from port p8
IN EAX, p8	32	A doubleword is input into EAX from port p8
IN AL, DX	8	A byte is input into AL from the port addressed by DX
IN AX, DX	16	A word is input into AX from the port addressed by DX
IN EAX, DX	32	A doubleword is input into EAX from the port addressed by DX
INSB	8	A byte is input from the port addressed by DI and stored into the extra segment memory location addressed by DI, then $DI = DI \pm 1$
INSW	16	A word is input from the port addressed by DI and stored into the extra segment memory location addressed by DI, then $DI = DI \pm 2$
INSD	32	A doubleword is input from the port addressed by DI and stored into the extra segment memory location addressed by DI, then $DI = DI \pm 4$
OUT p8, AL	8	A byte is output from AL into port p8
OUT p8, AX	16	A word is output from AL into port p8
OUT p8, EAX	32	A doubleword is output from EAX into port p8
OUT DX, AL	8	A byte is output from AL into the port addressed by DX
OUT DX, AX	16	A word is output from AX into the port addressed by DX
OUT DX, EAX	32	A doubleword is output from EAX into the port addressed by DX
OUTSB	8	A byte is output from the data segment memory location addressed by SI into the port addressed by DX, then $SI = SI \pm 1$
OUTSW	16	A word is output from the data segment memory location addressed by SI into the port addressed by DX, then $SI = SI \pm 2$
OUTSD	32	A doubleword is output from the data segment memory location addressed by SI into the port addressed by DX, then $SI = SI \pm 4$

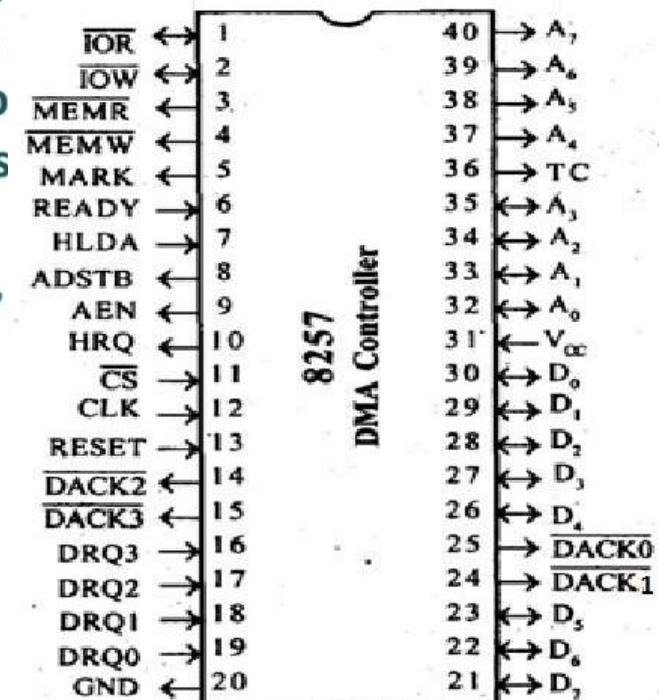
isolated I/O (I/O mapped I/O) and memory-mapped I/O

Memory Mapped IO	IO Mapped IO
❖ Here IO devices treated as Memory	❖ Here IO devices treated as IO.
❖ 20 bits addressing ($A_0 - A_{19}$)	❖ 8 or 16 bits addressing ($A_0 - A_{15}$)
❖ It can address $= 2^{20} = 1\text{MB}$ Address	❖ It can address $= 2^{16} = 64\text{K}$ Address
❖ Number of devices can be $= 2^{20}$	❖ Number of devices can be $= 2^{16}$
❖ Decoding is more complex as total 20 Address lines are used for full decoding.	❖ Decoding is Less complex as total 16 Address lines are used for full decoding.
❖ Decoding is Expensive.	❖ Decoding is cheaper.
❖ Here we use \overline{MEMR} and \overline{MEMW} control signals.	❖ Here we use \overline{IOR} and \overline{IOW} control signals.
❖ IO can be accessed by any memory instructions.	❖ IO can be accessed ONLY by IN and OUT Instructions.
❖ Data transfer happens between any registers and IO.	❖ Data transfer only between AX [AH & AL] and IO.
❖ Works slower due to more gates and circuits.	❖ Works faster due to less delay.

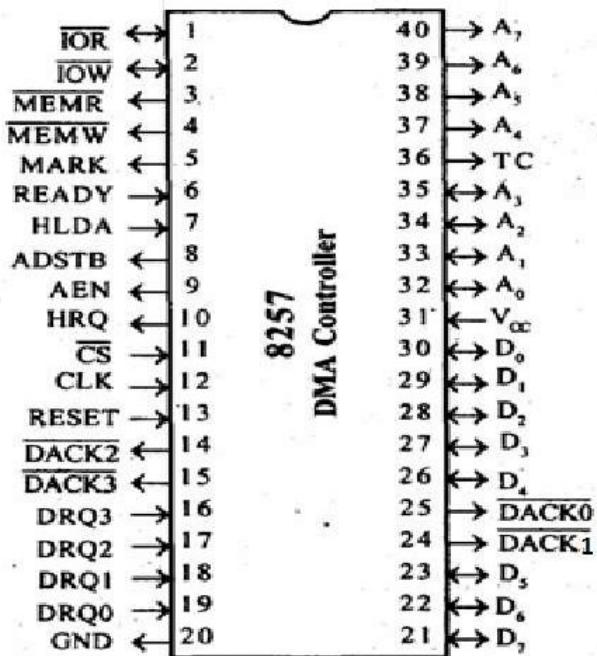
8257 Direct Memory Access

❖ Basics of 8257 Direct Memory Access

- ❑ 8257 is used to for high speed data transfer in between in IO devices and memory.
- ❑ Using Microprocessor data transfer is slow, as microprocessor have to execute instructions and it have to check interrupt as
- ❑ Using 8257, MPU releases the control of the buses to
- ❑ Here, Data transfer between memory and IO is bypassing MPU.
- ❑ To take control of Address and Data bus from MPU, HLDA control terminals which are used by DMA.



8257 Direct Memory Access



❖ HOLD and HLDA

HOLD :

- This is active high signal input MPU.
- It gives request to MPU for address and data bus control.
- After receiving HOLD signal, MPU relinquishes the buses in following machine cycle.
- All buses are tri stated and HLDA sent out by MPU.
- MPU regains the control of buses after HOLD goes low.

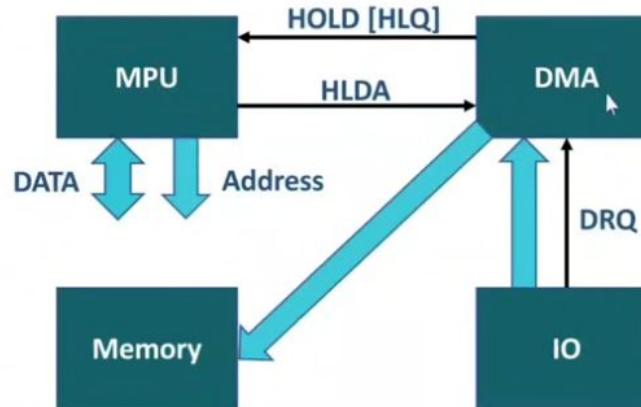
HLDA :

- This is active high signal indicating that the MPU is relinquishing control of buses.

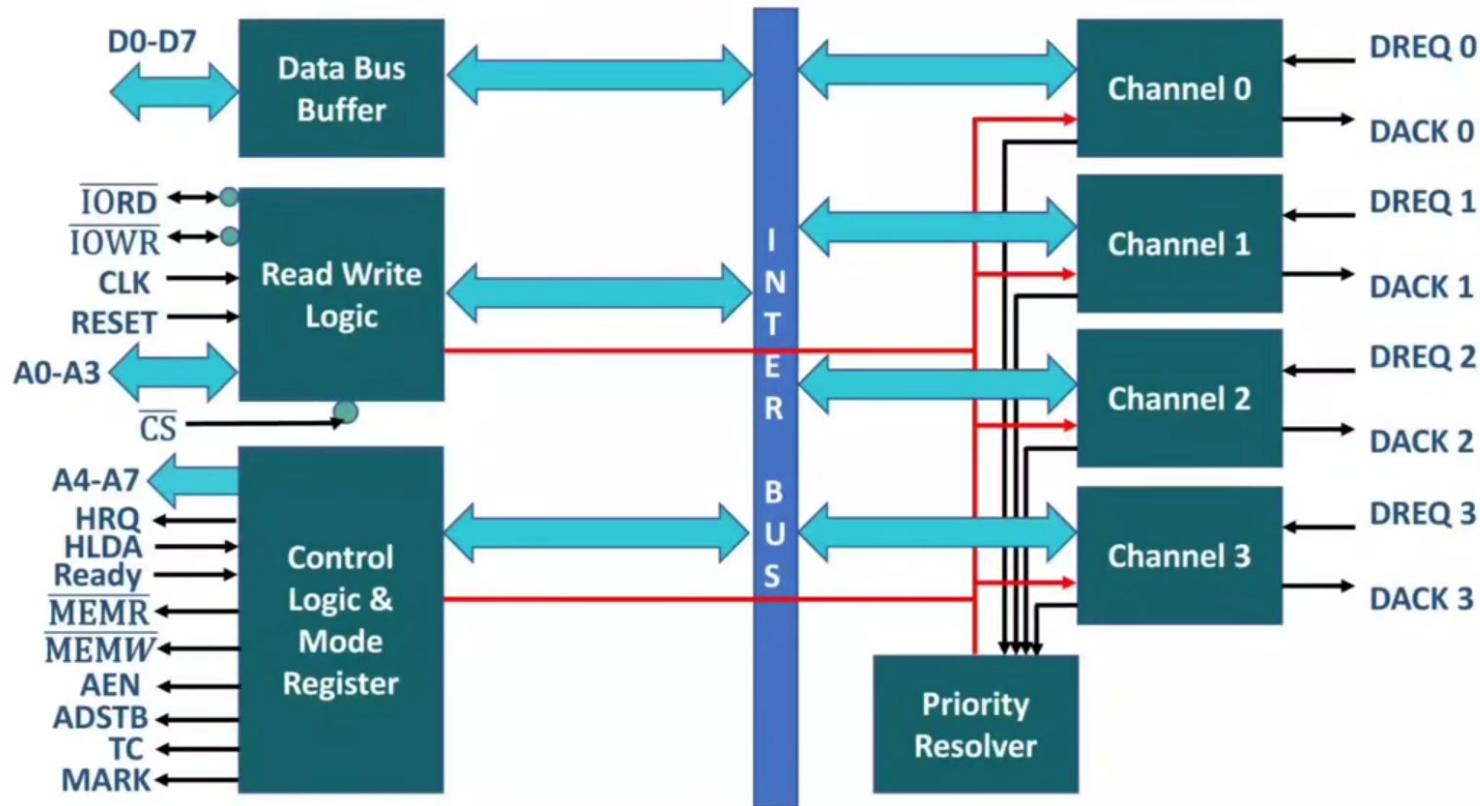
8257 Direct Memory Access

❖ Working of DMA

- ❑ If IO wants to send data to memory, then it will send request to DMA. [DRQ]
- ❑ To take control of system buses, DMA will send HOLD signal to MPU.
- ❑ To give control of address and data, MPU will give HLDA [HOLD Acknowledge]. Which indicates that now DMA is master of Buses. So now buses will be managed by DMA for memory and IO.
- ❑ Now data transfer can happen without involvement of MPU. Here now MPU don't need to execute instructions, so data exchange will be faster.
- ❑ Once HOLD signals goes low, MPU will take control of system buses and then MPU becomes master.



Block Diagram of 8257

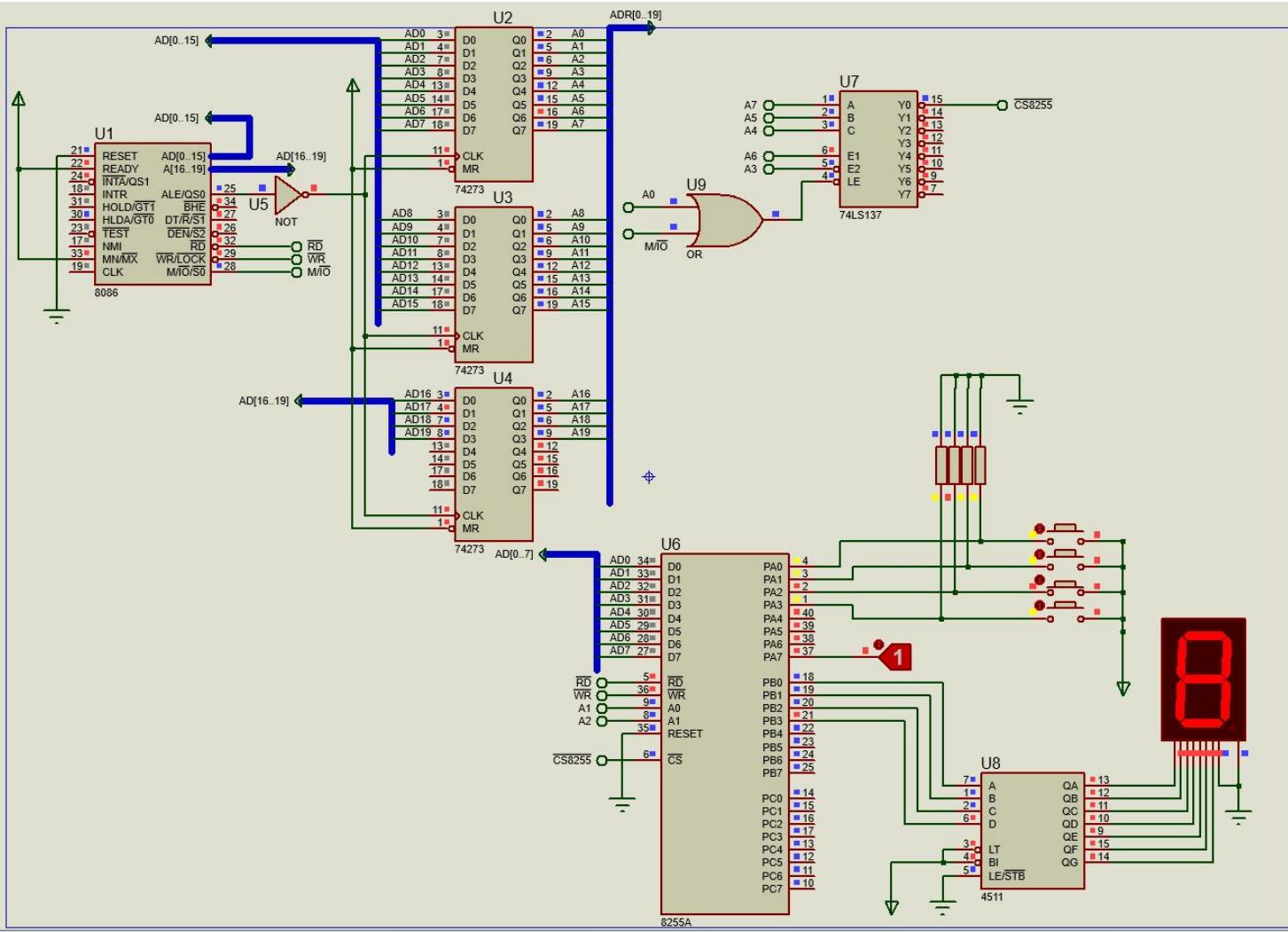


8255 programmable peripheral interface

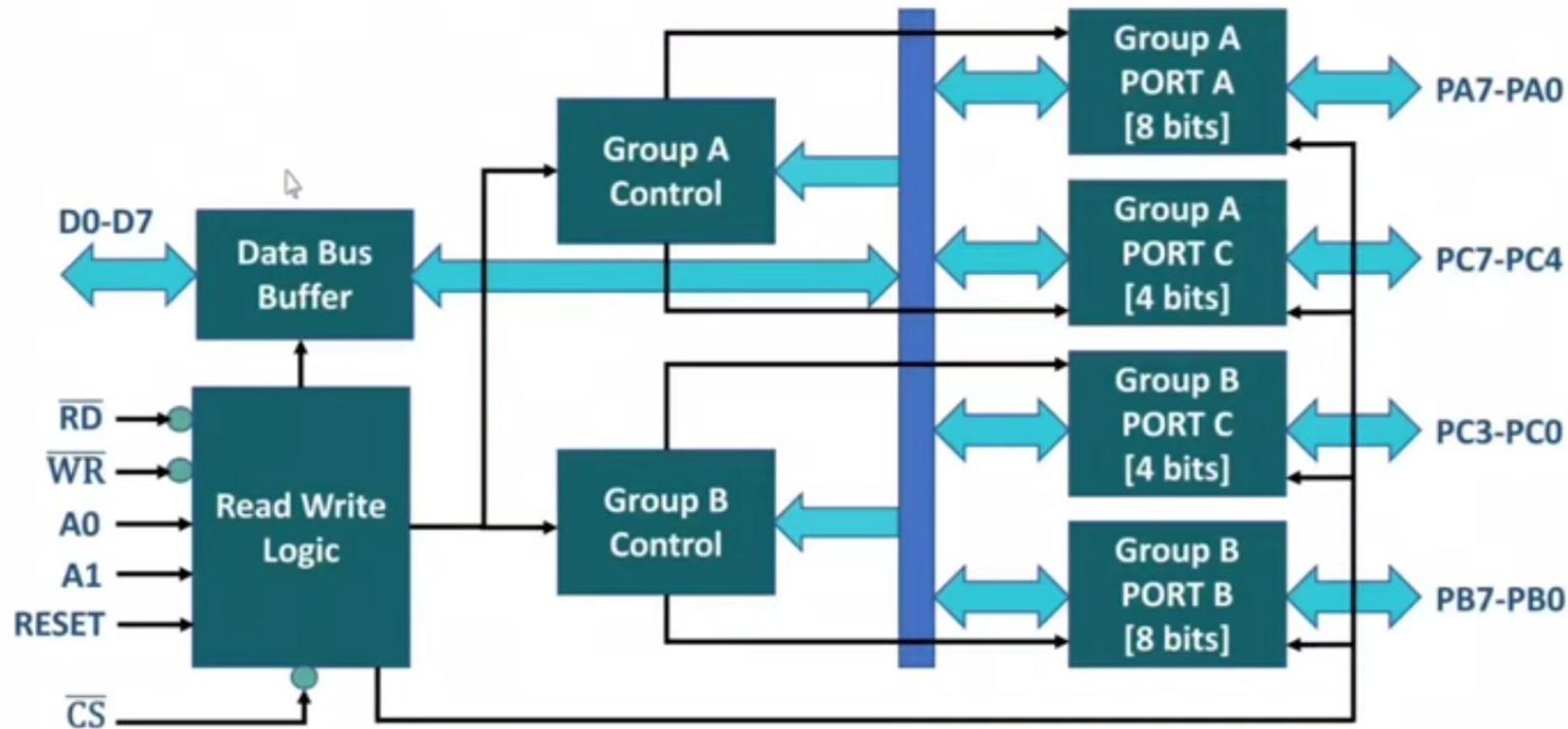
- 8255 is designed to work with various microprocessors like 8085, 8086 etc.
- 8255 is designed to increase capacity of Input Output Interface.
- 8255 has three 8bits bidirectional IO ports.
- 8255 has three IO modes of transfer data:
 - Simple IO mode
 - Handshake IO mode
 - Bidirectional handshake IO mode
- 8255 has BSR mode to alter individual bits of port C.

BSR mode (Bit Set/Reset Mode) is used to set or reset individual bits of the ports. This mode is particularly useful for controlling a single bit of **Port C**.

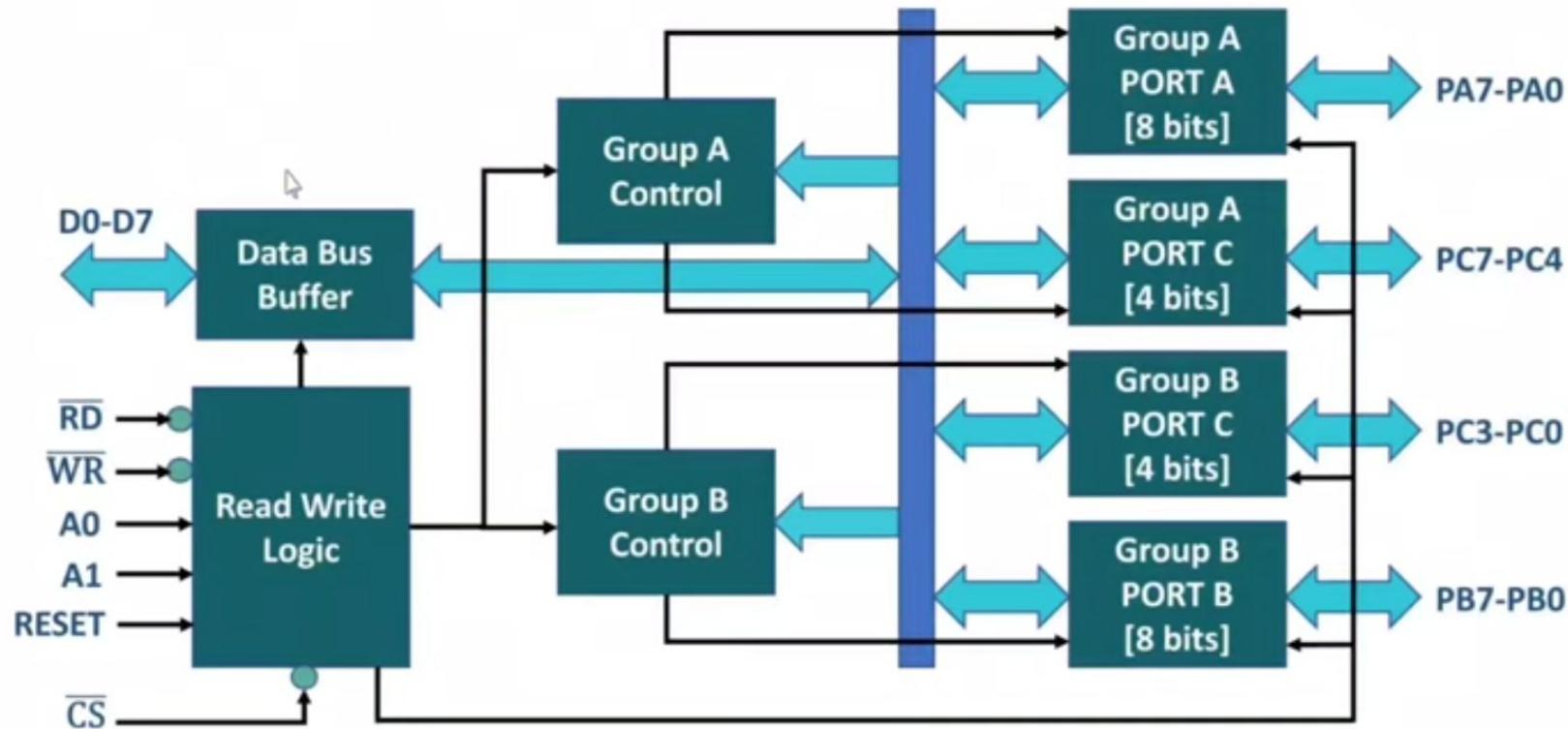
- Any bit of Port C can be set to 1 (set) or 0 (reset).
- This mode only affects Port C; other ports (Port A and Port B) are not influenced by this mode.



Block diagram of 8255 programmable peripheral interface



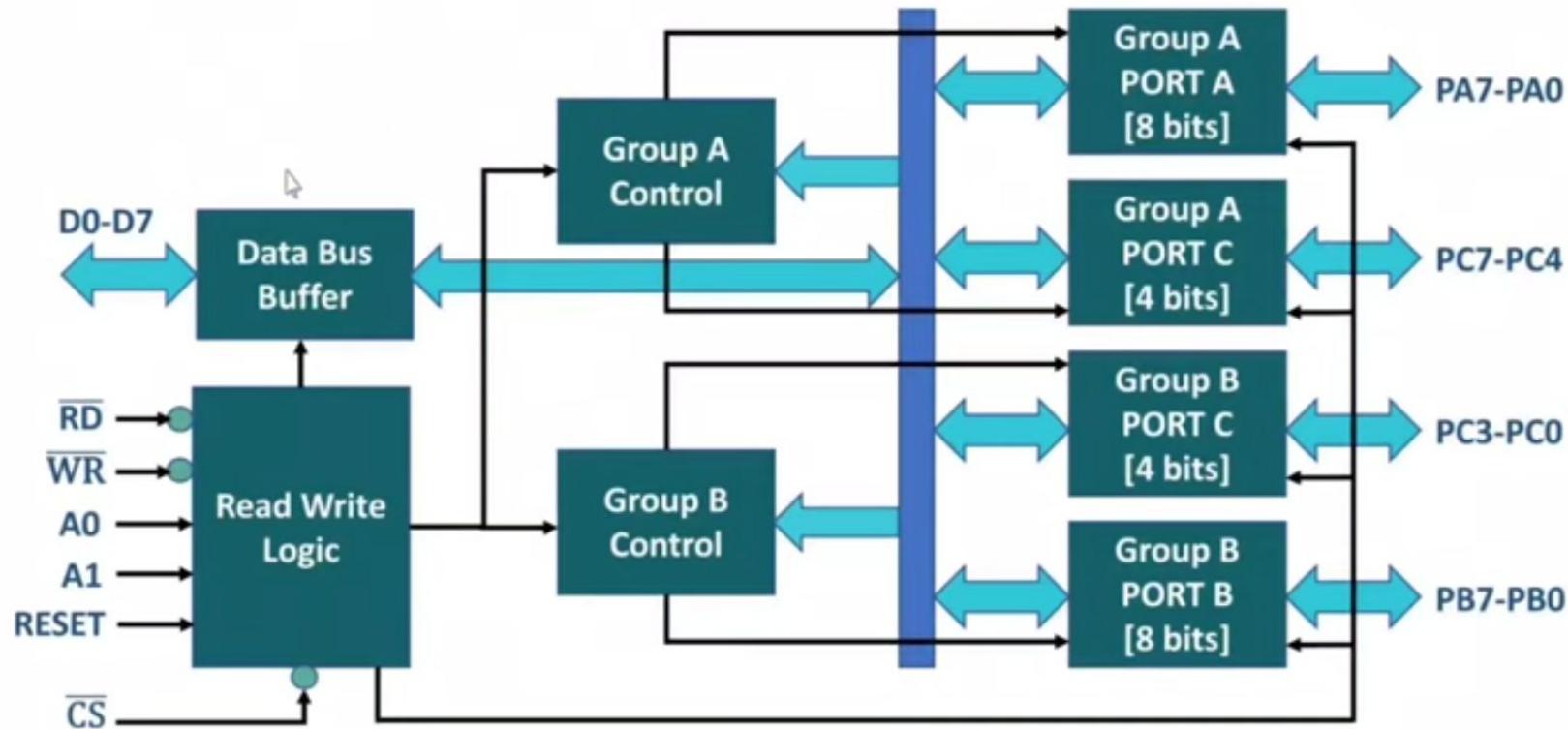
Block diagram of 8255 programmable peripheral interface



❖ Data Bus Buffer

- ❑ It has bidirectional data bus D0 – D7.
- ❑ D0 – D7 is interfaced with system data bus of Microprocessor.

Block diagram of 8255 programmable peripheral interface

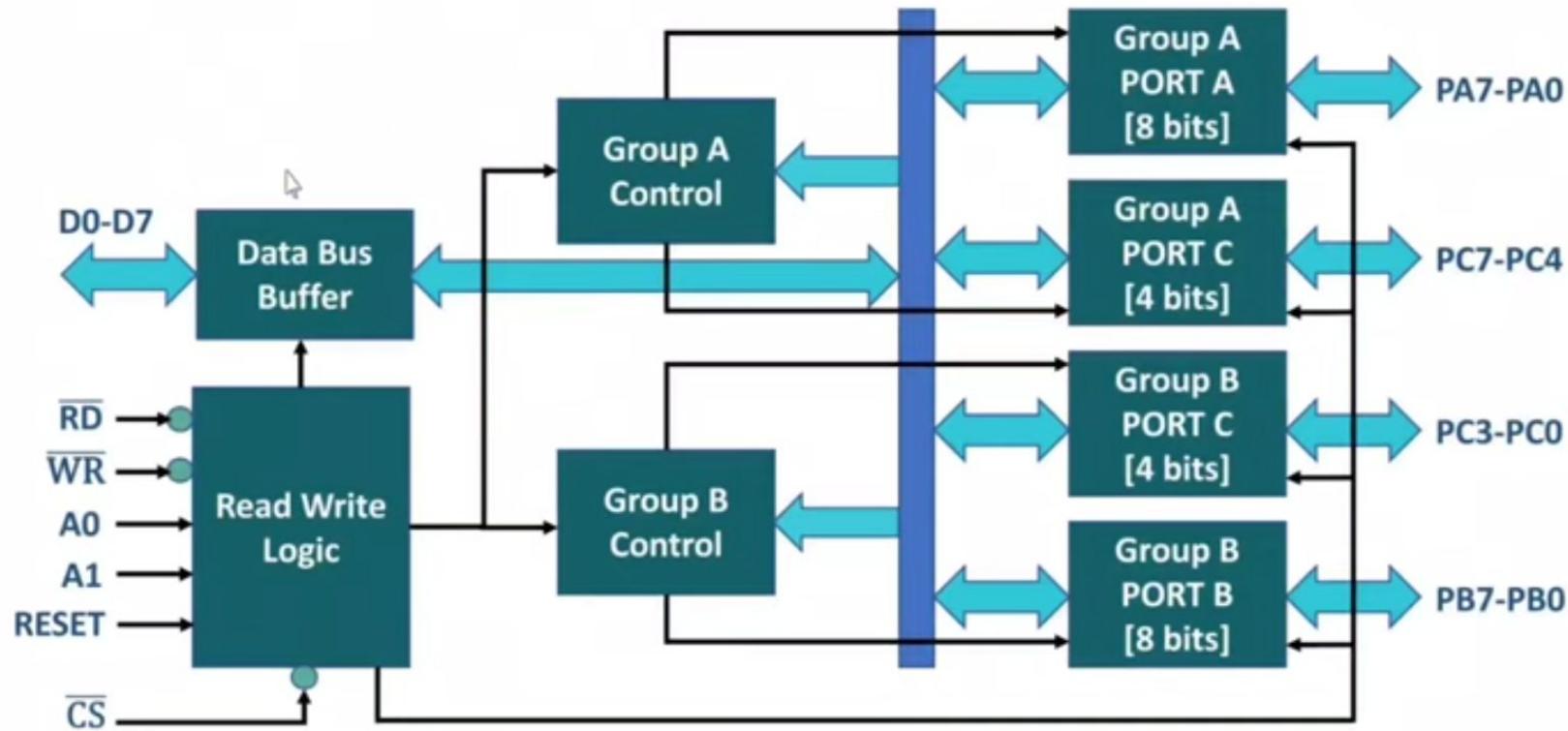


❖ Read Write Control Logic

- ❑ 8255 read and write data as per control signals \overline{RD} and \overline{WR} connected with microprocessor.
- ❑ RESET will reset 8255.
- ❑ A1 and A0 used to select port and control word.
- ❑ \overline{CS} is used to select chip of 8255.

\overline{CS}	A1	A0	Selected	Sample Address
0	0	0	Port A	80H [1000 0000]
0	0	1	Port B	81H [1000 0001]
0	1	0	Port C	82H [1000 0010]
0	1	1	Control Register	83H [1000 0011]
1	X	X	8255 is not selected	

Block diagram of 8255 programmable peripheral interface



❖ Group A and Group B Control

- ❑ Group A control is used to control PORT A [PA7 – PA0] and UPPER PORT C [PC7 – PC4].
- ❑ Group B control is used to control PORT B [PB7 – PB0] and LOWER PORT C [PC3 – PC0].
- ❑ It takes control signals from control word and forwards it on respective ports.

Control word and modes of 8255

❖ Modes of 8255

- ❑ There are three 8 bits IO ports and works as follows:

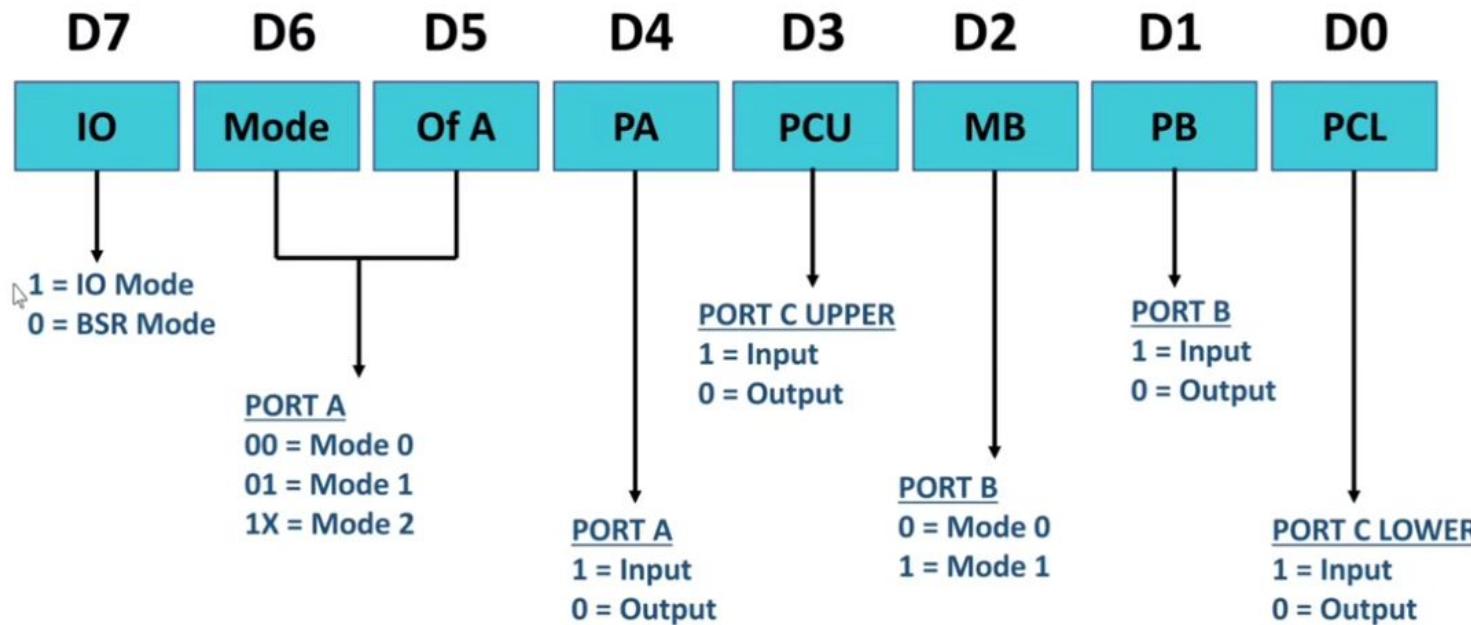
Port	MODE 0	MODE 1	MODE 2	BSR MODE
PORt A	YES	YES	YES	NO
PORt B	YES	YES	NO	NO
PORt C	YES	NO [HS]	NO [HS]	YES

- ❑ Here, Mode 0 is simple IO mode.
 - Output are latched and Input are not latched.
 - Port Do not have Interrupt handling capacity.
- ❑ Here, Mode 1 is IO mode with handshake.
 - Here each port uses three lines from port C as Handshake signals.
 - Here, Input and Output are latched.
 - Interrupt handling is supported.
- ❑ Here, Mode 2 is Bidirectional IO mode with handshake.
 - Here port A uses five lines from port C as Handshake signals.
 - Interrupt handling is supported.

Control word and modes of 8255

❖ Control Word

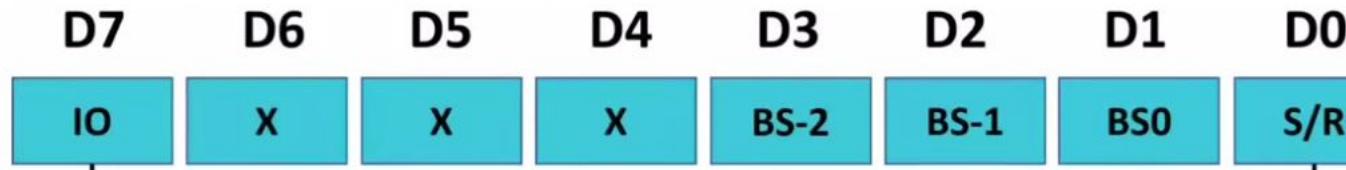
- 8255 has 8 bits of control word. It defines working of IO ports A, B and C.



Control word and modes of 8255

❖ BSR [Bit Set Reset] Mode of 8255

❑ BSR Mode only works with PORT C.



1 = IO Mode
0 = BSR Mode

BIT Select			Bit
0	0	0	PC0
0	0	1	PC1
0	1	0	PC2
0	1	1	PC3
1	0	0	PC4
1	0	1	PC5
1	1	0	PC6
1	1	1	PC7

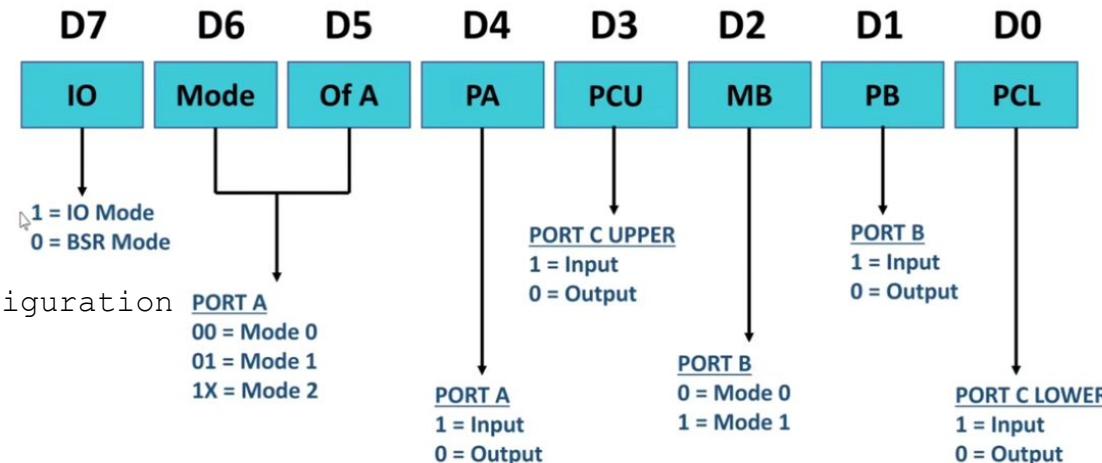
1 = Set bit of Port C
0 = Reset bit of Port C

8255 generate control word

Example - 1: Write the control word to configure:

- Port A as input (Mode 1),
- Port B as output (Mode 0),
- Port C upper as input, and lower as output.

Control Word: 1011 1000 = B8h



```
MOV DX, 8003h ;Control register address
```

```
MOV AL, 0B8h ;Control word for the configuration
```

```
OUT DX, AL ;Send to 8255
```

8255 generate control word

Example - 2: Given an 8086 system with 8255 mapped at address 0x8000, write the assembly instructions to:

- Send **0x55** to Port A. (Port A Mode 0)
- Read from Port B. (Port B Mode 0)
- Set bit 3 of Port C using BSR mode.
- Port A: Mode 0, Output
- Port B: Mode 0, Input
- Port C (upper): Output
- Port C (lower): Input

Solution:

Control Register Setup

```
MOV DX, 8003h      ; Control register address  
MOV AL, 83h        ; Control word → 10000011b  
OUT DX, AL
```

Writing to Port A

```
MOV DX, 8000h      ; Port A address  
MOV AL, 55h        ; Data (01010101b)  
OUT DX, AL
```

Reading from Port B

```
MOV DX, 8001h      ; Port B address  
IN AL, DX
```

Bit Set/Reset (BSR) Mode

```
MOV DX, 8003h      ; Control register  
MOV AL, 07h        ; BSR control word  
OUT DX, AL
```