EE 213 Computer Organization and Assembly Language

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Today's Topics

- Register Recap
- Specialized uses of Registers
- Mode of operations
 - Protected mode
 - Virtual 8086 mode
 - Real Address mode
- Segment Registers
- Assembly Programming
 - Irvine template code
 - Declaring data in Assembly

Please read chapter # 2 (2.1 and 2.2) over the weekend.

Figure 2–3 Basic program execution registers.

32-Bit General-Purpose Registers

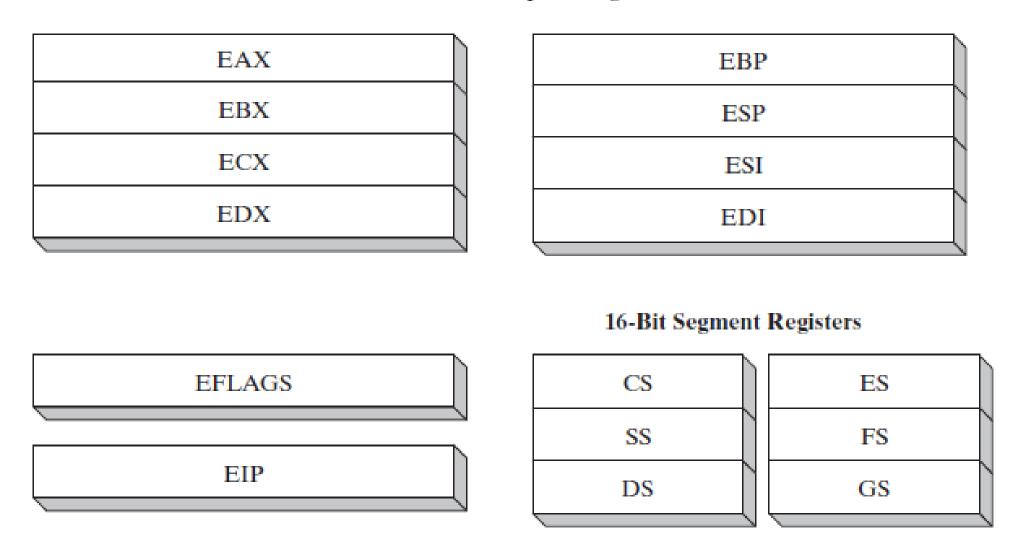


Table 2-1 Operand Sizes in 64-Bit Mode When REX Is Enabled.

Operand Size	Available Registers
8 bits	AL, BL, CL, DL, DIL, SIL, BPL, SPL, R8L, R9L, R10L, R11L, R12L, R13L, R14L, R15L
16 bits	AX, BX, CX, DX, DI, SI, BP, SP, R8W, R9W, R10W, R11W, R12W, R13W, R14W, R15W
32 bits	EAX, EBX, ECX, EDX, EDI, ESI, EBP, ESP, R8D, R9D, R10D, R11D, R12D, R13D, R14D, R15D
64 bits	RAX, RBX, RCX, RDX, RDI, RSI, RBP, RSP, R8, R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15

Specialized Uses Some general-purpose registers have specialized uses:

- EAX is automatically used by multiplication and division instructions. It is often called the extended accumulator register.
- The CPU automatically uses ECX as a loop counter.
- ESP addresses data on the stack (a system memory structure). It is rarely used for ordinary arithmetic or data transfer. It is often called the extended stack pointer register.
- ESI and EDI are used by high-speed memory transfer instructions. They are sometimes called the extended source index and extended destination index registers.
- EBP is used by high-level languages to reference function parameters and local variables on the stack. It should not be used for ordinary arithmetic or data transfer except at an advanced level of programming. It is often called the extended frame pointer register.

32-Bit	16-Bit
ESI	SI
EDI	DI
EBP	BP
ESP	SP

2.2 32-Bit x86 Processors

In this section, we focus on the basic architectural features of all x86 processors. This includes members of the Intel IA-32 family as well as all 32-bit AMD processors.

2.2.1 Modes of Operation

x86 processors have three primary modes of operation: protected mode, real-address mode, and system management mode. A sub-mode, named *virtual-8086*, is a special case of protected mode. Here are short descriptions of each:

Protected Mode Protected mode is the native state of the processor, in which all instructions and features are available. Programs are given separate memory areas named *segments*, and the processor prevents programs from referencing memory outside their assigned segments.

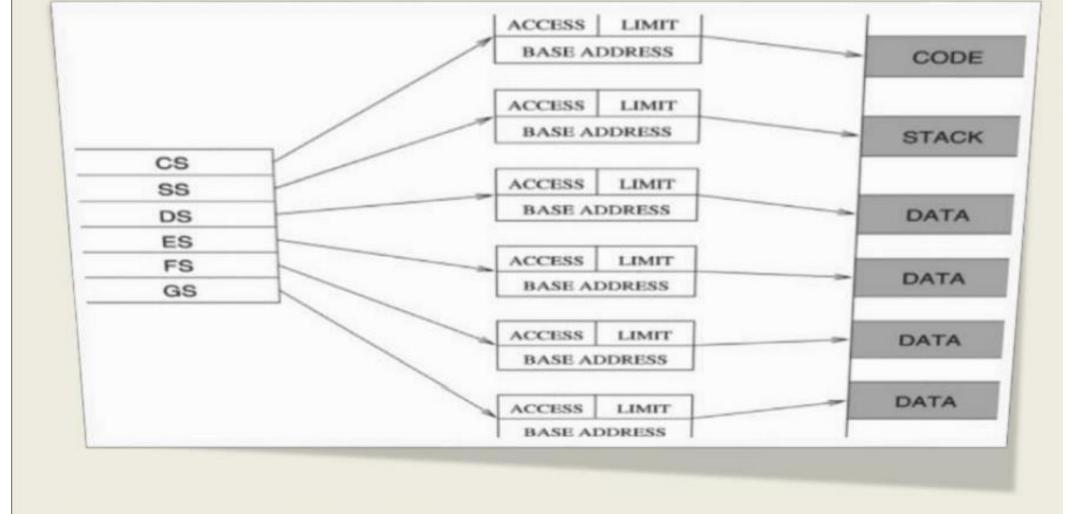
Virtual-8086 Mode While in protected mode, the processor can directly execute real-address mode software such as MS-DOS programs in a safe environment. In other words, if a program crashes or attempts to write data into the system memory area, it will not affect other programs running at the same time. A modern operating system can execute multiple separate virtual-8086 sessions at the same time.

Real-Address Mode Real-address mode implements the programming environment of an early Intel processor with a few extra features, such as the ability to switch into other modes. This mode is useful if a program requires direct access to system memory and hardware devices.

In *protected* mode, the processor can run multiple programs at the same time. It assigns each process (running program) a total of 4 GByte of memory. Each program can be assigned its own reserved memory area, and programs are prevented from accidentally accessing each other's code and data. MS-Windows and Linux run in protected mode.

In *virtual-8086* mode, the computer runs in protected mode and creates a virtual-8086 machine with its own 1-MByte address space that simulates an 80x86 computer running in real-address mode. Windows NT and 2000, for example, create a virtual-8086 machine when you open a *Command* window. You can run many such windows at the same time, and each is protected from the actions of the others. Some MS-DOS programs that make direct references to computer hardware will not run in this mode under Windows NT, 2000, and XP.

In *real-address* mode, only 1 MByte of memory can be addressed, from hexadecimal 00000 to FFFFF. The processor can run only one program at a time, but it can momentarily interrupt that program to process requests (called *interrupts*) from peripherals. Application programs are permitted to access any memory location, including addresses that are linked directly to system hardware. The MS-DOS operating system runs in real-address mode, and Windows 95 and 98 can be booted into this mode.



Segment Registers

"Segmentation provides a mechanism for dividing the processor's addressable memory space (called the **linear address space**) into smaller protected address spaces called **segments**

Segment Registers In real-address mode, 16-bit segment registers indicate base addresses of preassigned memory areas named segments. In protected mode, segment registers hold pointers to segment descriptor tables. Some segments hold program instructions (code), others hold variables (data), and another segment named the stack segment holds local function variables and function parameters.

Control Flags Control flags control the CPU's operation. For example, they can cause the CPU to break after every instruction executes, interrupt when arithmetic overflow is detected, enter virtual-8086 mode, and enter protected mode.

Programs can set individual bits in the EFLAGS register to control the CPU's operation. Examples are the *Direction* and *Interrupt* flags.

```
; create 32 bit code
                         .486
                        .model flat, stdcall
                                                                  ; 32 bit memory model
                                                                  ; case sensitive
                        option casemap:none
                        ; Irvine library
                                                                   → Include file
                        include
                                     \Irvine\Irvine32.inc =
                        includelib \Irvine\Irvine32.lib
                                                                    → Library files
                        includelib \Irvine\kernel32.lib
                        includelib \Irvine\user32.lib
                      .data
                        val1
                                  dword
                                         10000h
                        val2
                                  dword
                                         40000h
                        val3
                                  dword 20000h
                                                                      Functions from
                        finalVal dword ?
                                                                      Irvine book library
Specific the
name of startup
                     code
                     main PROC
function
                                                                 start with 10000h
                                      eax, val1
                           mov
                                                                 add 40000h
                            add
                                      eax, val2
                                      eax, val3
                                                                 subtract 20000h
                            sub
                                      finalVal,eax
                                                                 store the result (30000h)
                            mov
                            call
                                      DumpRegs
                            call
                                      WaitMsg
                                                               ; wait for a keypress
                            exit
                     main ENDP
                     FND main
```

Listing File (.lst)

```
Machine Codes
                  Generated by
 Offsets
                  the Assembler
                      .data
00000000
00000000 00010000
                            val1
                                     dword
                                             10000h
00000004 00040000
                            val2
                                     dword
                                             40000h
00000008 00020000
                            val3
                                     dword
                                             20000h
0000000C 00000000
                            finalVal dword
00000000
                      .code
00000000
                      main PROC
00000000
              00000000 R
                                                                 start with 10000h
                                        eax, val1
                                  mov
00000005
             05 00000004 R
                                  add
                                        eax, val2
                                                                 add 40000h
0000000B
             05 00000008 R
                                        eax, val3
                                                                 subtract 20000h
                                  sub
00000011
                                        finalVal,eax
             0000000C R
                                                                 store the result (30000h)
                                  mov
00000016
          E8
             00000000 E
                                                                   ; ldsjfldsjfs
                                  call DumpRegs
0000001B
          E8
             00000000 E
                                         WaitMsg
                                                                   ; wait for a keypress
                                  call
                      exit
00000027
                      main ENDP
                      END main
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