

- ① Execution steps of 32-bit and 64-bit
- ⇒ 1) 32-bit uses registers like EAX
 - 2) 64-bit uses registers like RAX
 - 64-bit supports more memory and more registers
 - Execution is similar, but 64-bit is more powerful.

- ② explanation of section.data , section.text , section.bss

- ⇒ section.data - initialized data
- section.text - code / instructions
- section.bss - uninitialized data

- ③ Why '2' in disp-msg 2?

- ⇒ It's parameter passed to the macro.

- ④ Why .1 and .2 in macro

- ⇒ They are placeholders for macro parameters.

- ⑤ Types of directives

- ⇒ Tell the assembler how to process code,
eg- global, section, mov

- ⑥ Diff. betn AX, ECX, RAX

- ⇒ AX - 16-bit

- ECX - 32-bit

- RAX - 64-bit

- ⑦ Full form of NASM - Netwide Assembler

- ⑧ String operation (explain)

- ⇒ Instructions for handling strings, like
MOVS, LODS, STOS

⑨ Meaning of resb, resw
→ resb - reserve byte(s)
resw - reserve word

⑩ Why global_start?
→ It marks the entry point of the program

⑪ Why use macro?
→ for code reuse and simplification

⑫ Macro vs procedure
→ macro - expanded at compile time
procedure - called at runtime

⑬ DIV instruction
→ Divides a number by a register or memory value

⑭ DIV syntax
→ DIV reg/mem

⑮ ADD Instruction
→ Adds two values ex - ADD AX, BX

⑯ 80386 flag Register
→ Stores status flags like zero, carry, sign, overflow

⑰ SUB instruction with syntax
→ subtracts two values ex - SUB AX, BX

⑱ What is DEC instruction
→ Decreases a value by 1
ex - DEC AX

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CMP Instruction

→ compares two values. sets flags but doesn't store result

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OR Instruction

→ Bitwise OR. Ex - OR AX, BX

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XOR Instruction

→ Bitwise exclusive OR

Ex - XOR AX, AX (sets AX to 0)

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Addressing modes

→ ways to access data like Immediate, Register, Direct, Indirect

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Syntax of Addressing modes

→ MOV AX, BX or MOV AX, [1234H]

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Ex of Addressing Modes

→ Immediate : MOV AX, 5

Register : MOV AX, BX

Direct : MOV AX, [1234H]

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Meaning of [] brackets

→ It means memory access

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Conditional Instructions

→ JE, JNE, JZ, JNZ, JG, JL

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Unconditional Instructions

→ JMP (always jump)

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Ex of cond' jump

→ JE label (jump if equal)

(29) Ex. of unconditional JUMP
→ JMP label

(30) command line argument
→ Input passed to a program while running it

(31) Rotate instruction
→ shifts bits circularly, ex ROL, ROR

(32) Ex of Rotate Instruction
ROL AX,1 ROR AX,1 RCL , RCR

(33) GDTR LDTR TR MSW register
⇒ special register used in protected mode
GDTR - Global Descriptor Table Register
LDTR - Local Descriptor Table Register

(34) Features of 80386
⇒ 32-bit processor, paging, protected mode support

(35) Flag registers of 8086 + 80386
8086 has 16 bit flags
80386 has more flags and is 32-bit

(36) Memory size of 8086 + 80386
8086 - 1 MB
80386 - 4 GB

(37) protected mode
⇒ Advanced mode with memory protection

(38) Paging mechanism
⇒ divides memory into pages for efficient use

(49) Control register
 CRO to CR4 : control CPU functioning

(50) Descriptors , selector
 Descriptors - memory information
 Selector - index to descriptor

(51) Bus size of 8086
 Address - 20 bit
 Data - 16 bit

(52) Bus size of 80386
 Address - 32 bit
 Data - 32 bit

(53) Assembly directives
 DB (byte), DW (Word), DD (double Word)
 DQ (quad Word)

(54) Convert protected to real mode
 Clear PE (Protection Enable) bit in CR0

(55) Control register for Paging
 CR3

(56) Size of GDTR / IDTR , LDT
 GDTR / IDTR - 6 bytes
 LDT - varies based on entries

(57) Hex 1 to 9 to ASCII
 Add 30H
 EX - 1 = 31H , 2 = 32H --- 9 = 39H

(58) Hex A to F to ASCII
 Add 37H
 A = 41H , B = 42H --- F = 46H

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Why convert Hex to ASCII

→ To display hex values as readable text

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8086 disadvantages, 80386 advantages

→ 8086 - limited memory (1MB)
No protection

80386 - 4 GB memory, support multitasking,
protection

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Data Transfer Instruction

→ Move data: MOV, PUSH, POP, IN, OUT

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Arithmetic Instructions

→ Do math - ADD, SUB, MUL, DIV, INC, DEC

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Bit manipulation instruction

→ change bits - AND, OR, XOR, NOT, SHL, SHR

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Program Execution Transfer Instruction

→ Control flow - JMP, CALL, RET, JE, JNE

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String instruction

→ Work on strings - MOVS, LODS, STOS, SCAS, CMPS

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Processor control instruction

→ Control CPU - HLT, WAIT, LOCK, STC, CLC

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Page, Page table, Page directory specs

→ Page - 4KB

Page table - 1024 entries

Page directory - 1024 entries

⑧ Multitasking vs Multithreading

Multitasking - Many program

Multithreading - Many task in one program

⑨ privilege level

0 - most powerful (OS)

3 - least (USER)

⑩ TLB Buffer

Cache for page tables, faster memory access

steps for execution

① nasm -f elf64 -o disp.o disp.asm
converts ASM to object file

② ld -o disp disp.o
- links object file, creates executable

③ ./disp
runs the program.