

Instruction format & Addressing Modes Formats

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Session Objectives

- To explain the various Instruction & addressing modes and formats.



Session Outcomes

- At the end of the session, students will be able to
 - Understand the various addressing modes and formats.

Outline

- ☐ Implied
- ☐ Immediate
- ☐ Direct
- ☐ Indirect
- ☐ Register
- ☐ Register Indirect
- ☐ Displacement (Indexed)
- ☐ Stack

Instruction Format

Opcode	Operands/address
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Instruction Formats

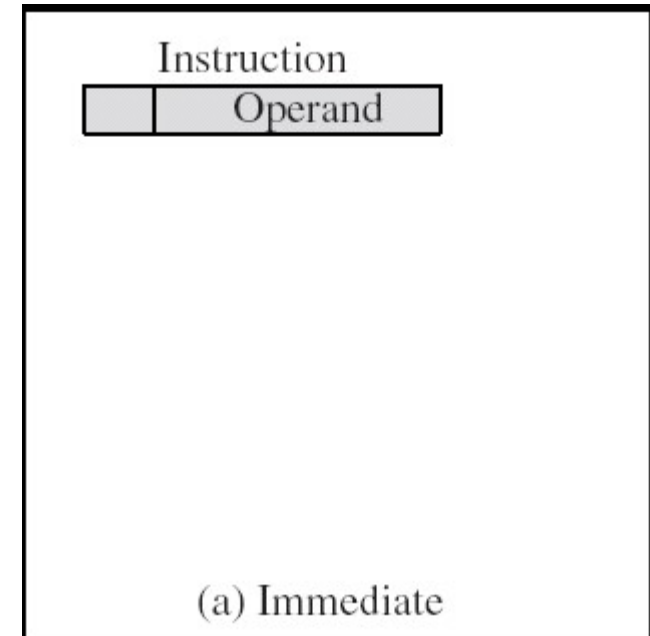
- Layout of bits in an instruction :
 - Includes opcode
 - Includes (implicit or explicit) operand(s)
 - Usually more than one instruction format in an instruction set
- Opcode: specifies type of operation to be executed
- Operand: data field

Instruction Length

- Affected by and affects:
 - Memory size
 - Memory organization
 - Bus structure
 - CPU complexity
 - CPU speed

Immediate Addressing

- Operand is part of instruction
- Operand = address field
- e.g. ADD AX, 5h
- LDA #5
 - Add 5 to contents of accumulator
 - 5 is operand
- No memory reference to fetch data
- Fast
- Limited range



Direct Addressing

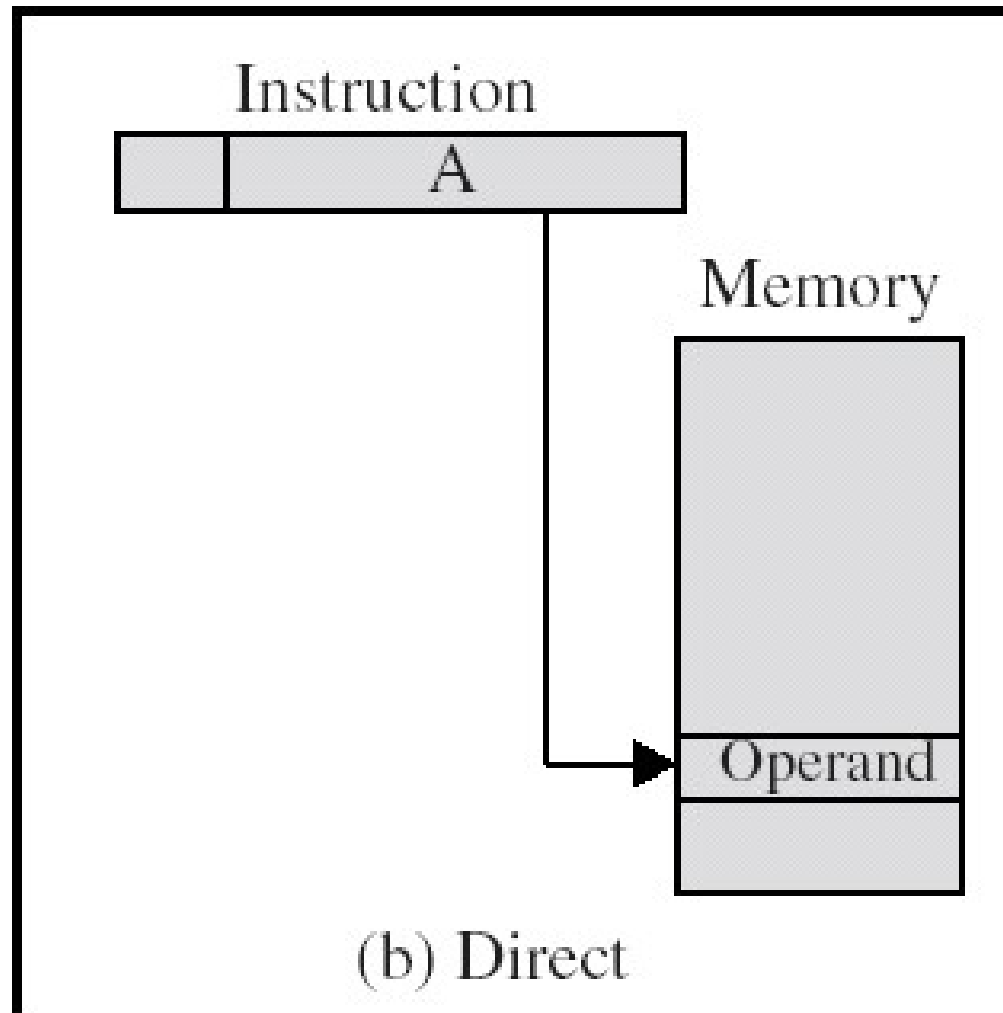
- Address field contains address of operand
- Effective address EA = address field (A)

ADD AX, value

Value DB 05h

- Add contents of cell value to accumulator AX
- Look in memory at address value for operand
- Single memory reference to access data
- No additional calculations to work out effective address
- Limited address space

Direct Addressing Diagram



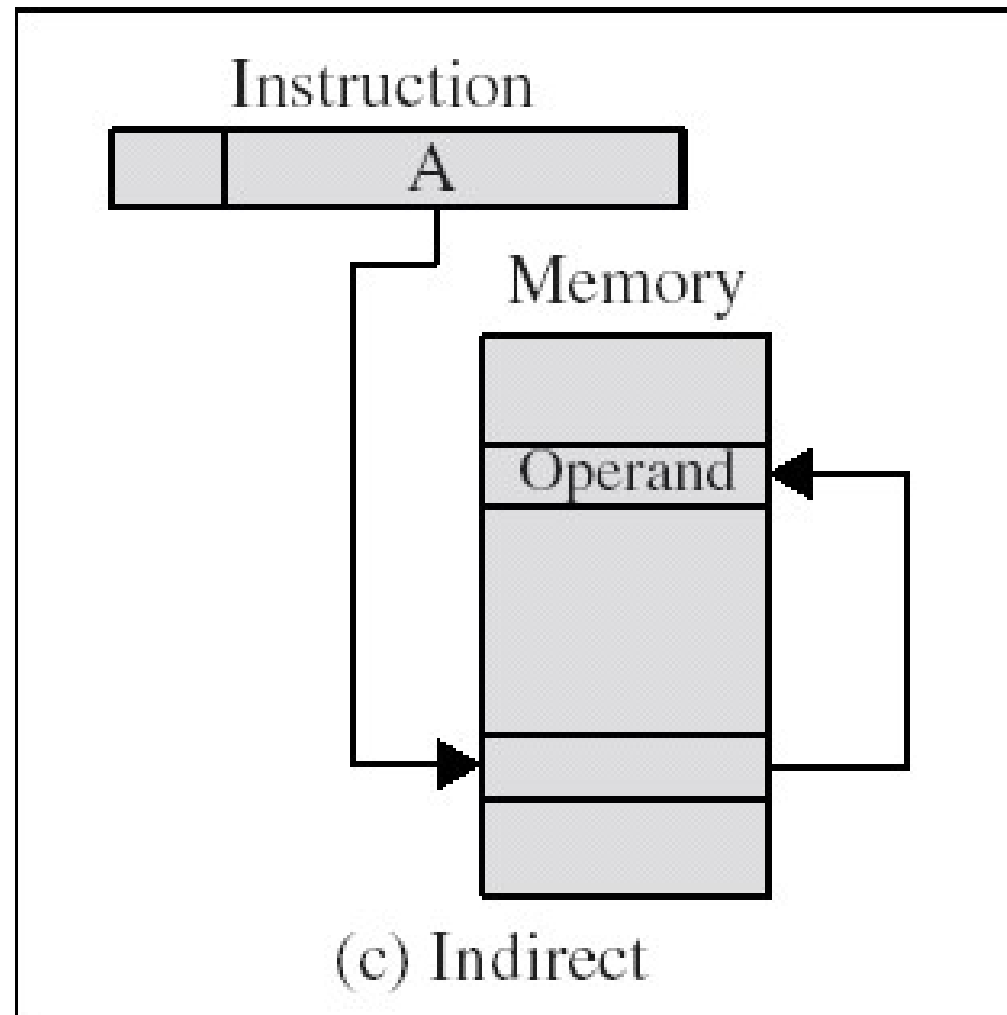
Indirect Addressing (1/2)

- Memory cell pointed to by address field contains the address of (pointer to) the operand
- $EA = (A)$
 - Look in A, find address (A) and look there for operand
- e.g. ADD AX, (A)
 - Add contents of cell pointed to by contents of A to accumulator

Indirect Addressing (2/2)

- Large address space
- 2^n where n = word length
- May be nested, multilevel, cascaded
 - e.g. $EA = (((A)))$
- Multiple memory accesses to find operand
- Hence slower

Indirect Addressing Diagram



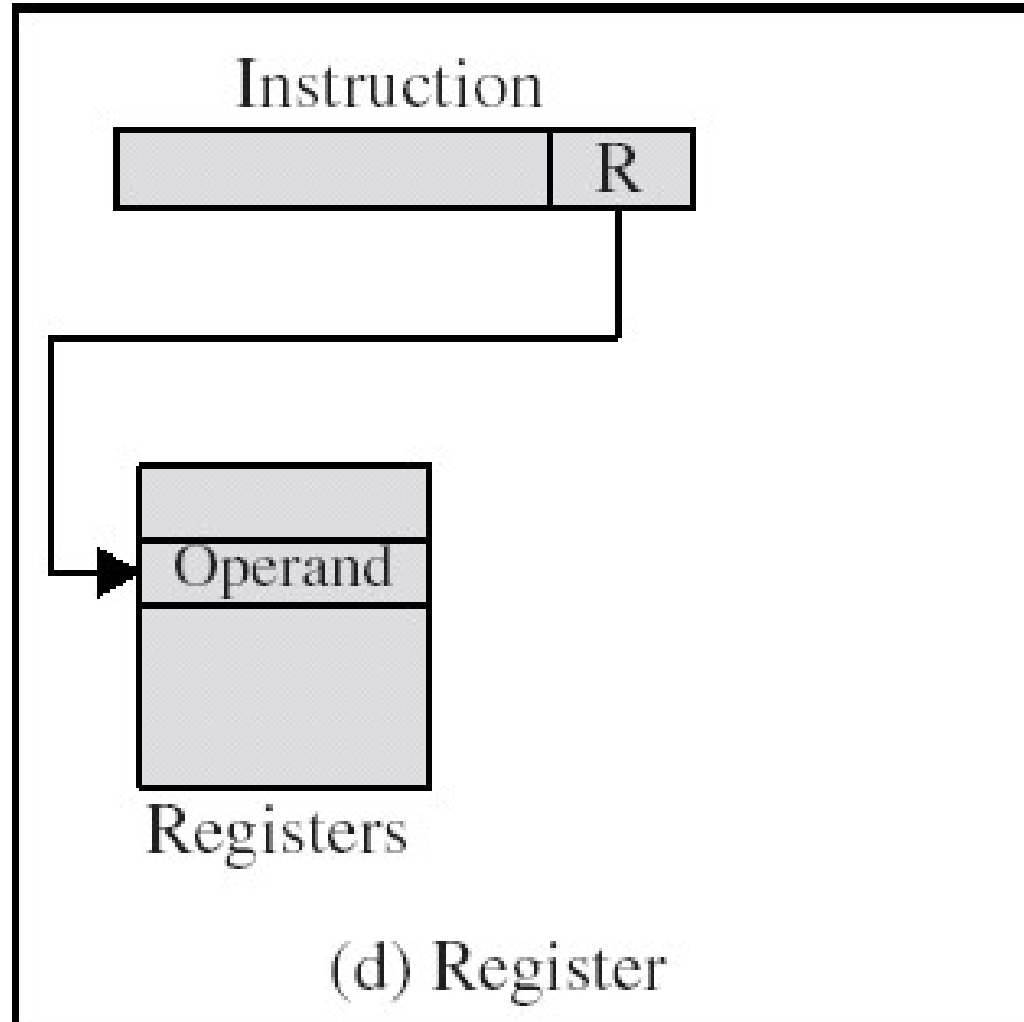
Register Addressing (1/2)

- Operand is held in register named in address field
- $EA = R$
- Limited number of registers
- Very small address field needed
 - Shorter instructions
 - Faster instruction fetch
 - `MOV AX, BX`
 - `ADD AX, BX`

Register Addressing (2/2)

- No memory access
- Very fast execution
- Very limited address space
- Multiple registers helps performance
 - Requires good assembly programming or compiler writing
 - N.B. C programming
 - register int a;

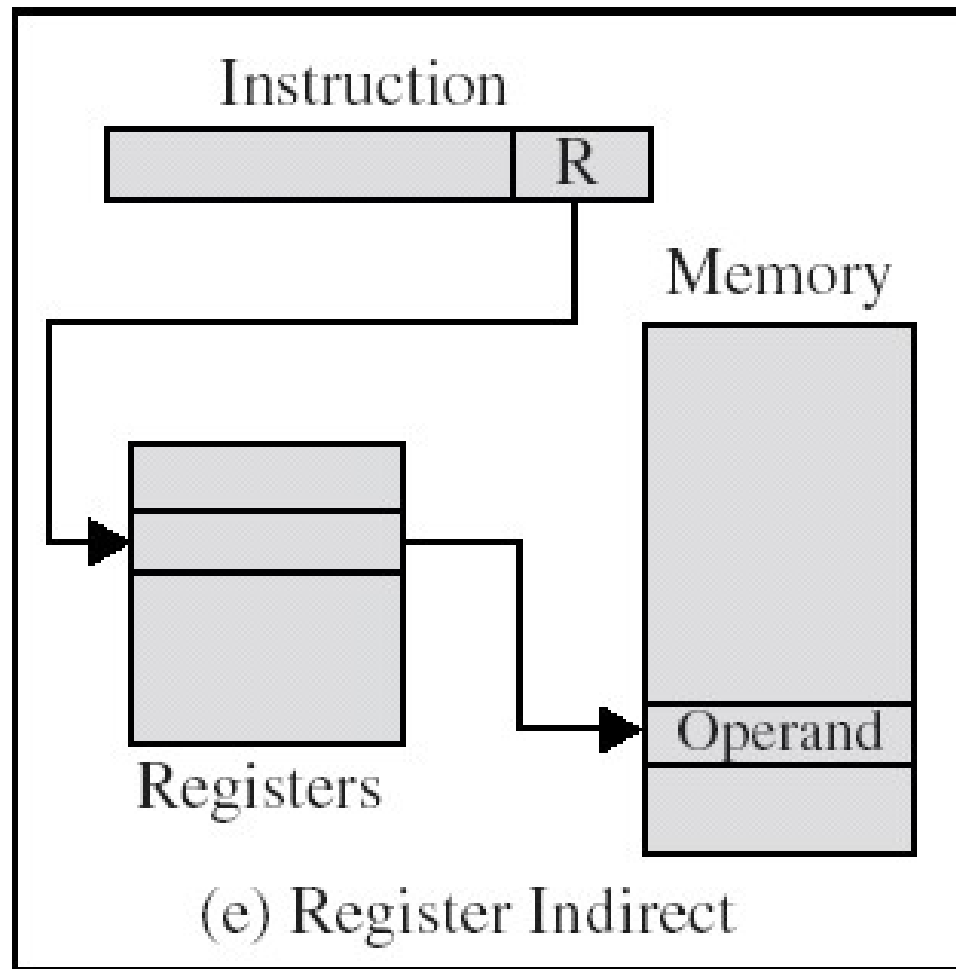
Register Addressing Diagram



Register Indirect Addressing

- indirect addressing
- $EA = (R)$
- Operand is in memory cell pointed to by contents of register R
- Large address space (2^n)
- One fewer memory access than indirect addressing

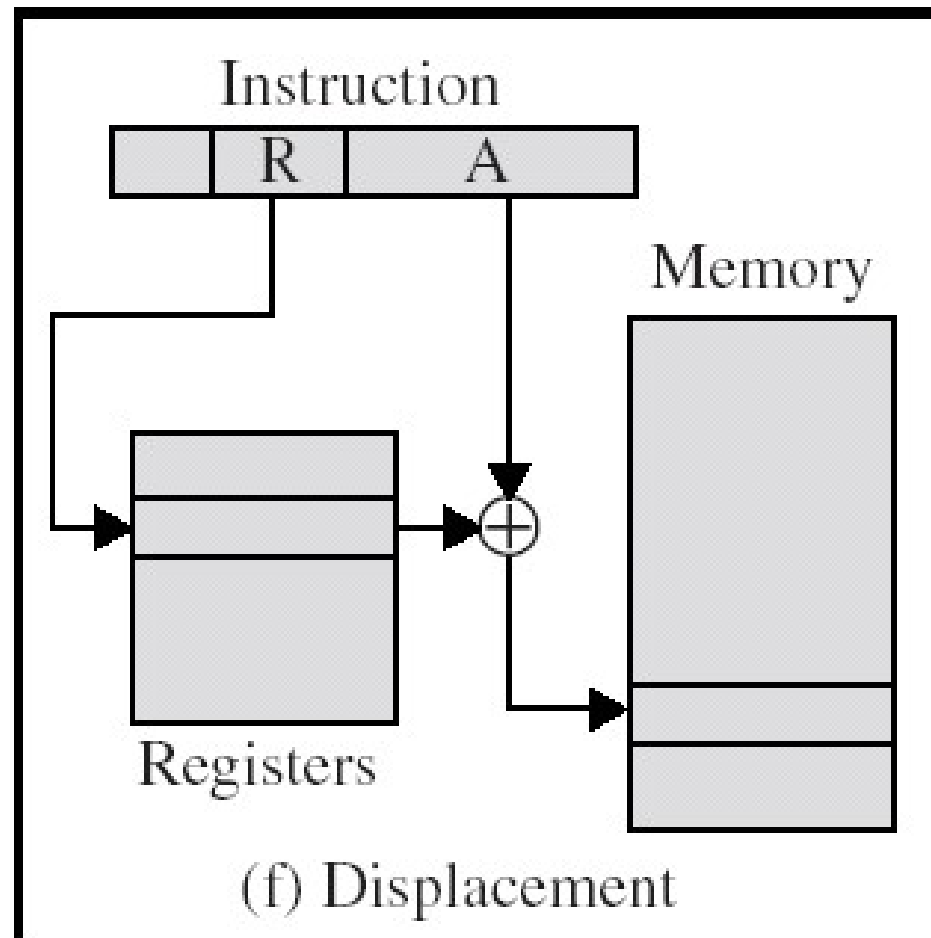
Register Indirect Addressing Diagram



Displacement Addressing

- $EA = A + (R)$
- Effective address=start address + displacement
- Effective address=Offset + (Segment Register)
- Use direct and register indirect
- Address field hold two values
 - A = base value
 - R = register that holds displacement
 - or vice versa

Displacement Addressing Diagram



Relative Addressing (PC-Relative)

- A version of displacement addressing
- $R = \text{Program counter, PC}$
- $EA = A + (PC)$
- i.e. get operand from A cells from current location pointed to by PC
- locality of reference & cache usage

Base-Register Addressing

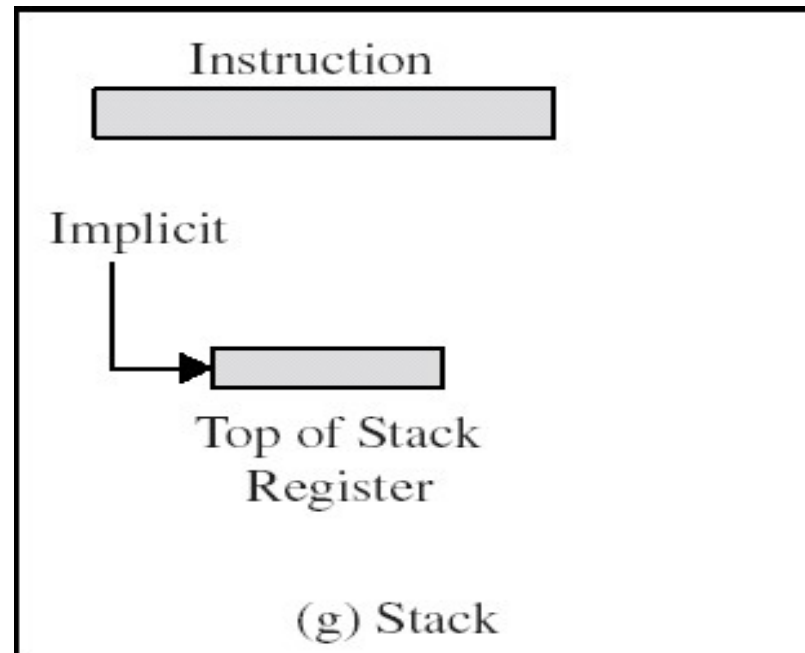
- A holds displacement
 - $EA = (CS) + A$
- R holds pointer to base address
- R may be explicit or implicit
- e.g. segment registers in 80x86

Indexed Addressing

- $A = \text{base}$
- $R = \text{displacement}$
 - $EA = A + (R)$
- Good for accessing arrays
 - $EA = A + (R)$
 - $R++$

Stack Addressing

- Operand is (implicitly) on top of stack
- e.g.
 - ADD Pop top two items from stack and add and push



Mode	Algorithm	Principal Advantage	Principal Disadvantage
Immediate	Operand = A	No memory reference	Limited operand magnitude
Direct	EA = A	Simple	Limited address space
Indirect	EA = (A)	Large address space	Multiple memory references
Register	EA = R	No memory reference	Limited address space
Register indirect	EA = (R)	Large address space	Extra memory reference
Displacement	EA = A + (R)	Flexibility	Complexity
Stack	EA = top of stack	No memory reference	Limited applicability

Pentium Addressing Modes

- Virtual or effective address is offset into segment
 - Starting address plus offset gives linear address
 - This goes through page translation if paging enabled
- 9 addressing modes available
 - Immediate
 - Register operand
 - Displacement
 - Base
 - Base with displacement
 - Scaled index with displacement
 - Base with index and displacement
 - Base scaled index with displacement
 - Relative

Summary

The various addressing modes and formats was studied.

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