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MANUAL-2: ADDRESSING MODES

OBJECTIVES:

- How to modify the memory contents.
- How to use various addressing modes.
- How to use the registers associated with memory.

Addressing Modes

The x86 processors support the register addressing mode, the immediate addressing mode, the indirect addressing mode, the indexed addressing mode, and the direct addressing mode. The following table explain each of these modes:

Addressing Mode	Definition	Example
Register Addressing	Uses a register as the operand, either source or destination. The operation is performed directly on the data in the register.	MOV AX, BX MOV CX, DX
Immediate Addressing	Uses a constant value or immediate data as the operand. The operand is directly specified in the instruction.	MOV AX, 25H MOV BX, 195H
Direct Addressing	Specifies the exact memory address to access data. The operand is the memory address directly given in the instruction.	MOV AX, [1000H]
Indirect Addressing	Uses a register to specify the memory address where the data is located. The operand is accessed indirectly through the register's value.	MOV AX, [BX] MOV AX, [1000H + BX]
Indexed Addressing	Combines a base address and an index to access memory. Often used for accessing elements of arrays or data structures.	MOV AX, [1000H + BX]

Question #1:

- a) Load 25h to Ax register and 10h to Bx using immediate addressing mode.
- b) Shift contents of Ax and Bx using register addressing.
- c) Load 1234h as the contents of memory location 0x270 using indirect addressing mode.
- d) Define an array of **Num: dw 12,25,38,44,105** at the offset location of 0x105, Only using the given command **MOV Ax, [100+Bx]** , load the contents of Num to AX one after another.

Question #2:

The following contents are to be placed at their respective memory locations and registers as shown in the table below:

AX	BX	200h	250h
200h	250h	25h	15h

Introduce an Array Num1: dw 2,1,0,0,1,3,-1

- a) Load AX with contents of memory location 200 using indirect addressing with offset.
- b) Load CX with contents of memory location 250 using direct addressing.
- c) Switch the Contents of memory location 200 and 250 using appropriate addressing method.
- d) Sort array Num1 by shifting the location of the Num1 array content using register +offset(indexed) addressing.

Question #3:

Answer the following questions in a text file.

1. Which addressing mode is typically the fastest and involves only CPU registers?
2. What addressing mode uses a constant or literal value directly within the instruction?
3. When would you use direct addressing mode in x86 assembly?
4. How does indirect addressing mode provide flexibility in accessing data?
5. Which registers are commonly used in indirect addressing mode?
6. What addressing mode is ideal for initializing registers with specific values?
7. In indexed addressing mode, what two components are combined to form the effective address?
8. Why is indirect addressing mode useful for accessing dynamic data locations?
9. Which addressing mode is particularly suitable for navigating arrays and data structures?
10. What is the main benefit of using register addressing mode?