

CSS 422 Hardware and Computer Organization

Assembly Directives and Addressing Modes

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Topic

- 68000 Addressing Mode and Directives
 - Effective Addressing Mode
 - Directives

- 68K manual
- Chapter 8, 9 (Berger)
- Chapter 3, 4 (Clements)



Source Code for Sample Program

Program to compare 4 bytes of memory, D0 holds the largest value Initialization code ORG \$400 DATA, DO START MOVE.B *Get first number MOVE.B DATA+1,D1 *Get second number D1,D0 *Test values ← CMP.B → Observe how the CMP and BGE instructions NEXT1 *Save 1st BGE are paired together MOVE.B D1,D0 *Save second NEXT1 MOVE.B DATA+2,D1 *Get third number CMP.B D1,D0 *Test values BGE NEXT2 *Save current MOVE.B D1,D0 *Save new DATA+3,D1 NEXT2 MOVE . B *Get last number CMP.B D1,D0 *Test last NEXT3 *Test is true BGE D1, MAX NUM *Finally, save new number MOVE . B DONE *Get ready to quit BRA *Save last NEXT3 MOVE.B DO, MAX NUM #\$2700 **→** DONE STOP → Exit the program and return to the simulator command mode \$05,\$4C,\$42,\$7F DC.B *Data for test program DATA DS.B *Save result here MAX NUM \$400 END ·Data region >End of program Use of labels



Assembly Language

Labels

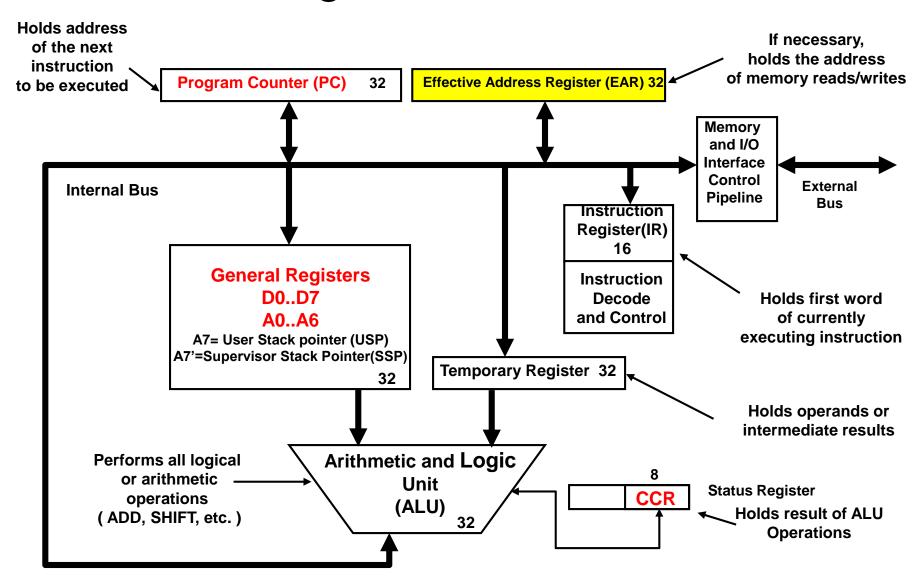
- Labels are equated to the memory location that defines the instruction or data they represent
- Labels start in column 1 and are usually limited to 8-14 characters
- First space after the label defines the beginning of the OP CODE field
- OP Codes
- Operands
- Comments
 - Preceded by a special character (*, ; or :) indicates the beginning of the comment field
 - It is highly recommended that you comment liberally
 - 1 comment per instruction?

Pseudo OP Code

– OPT, ORG, DC.B, etc.



Hardware Organization of the MC68000





Effective Addressing Modes

- In 68K manual, each instruction has different codes for different EA modes:
 - Dn: data register direct: D0, D1, ..., D7
 - An: address register direct : A0, A1, ..., A6
 - (An): address register indirect: (A0), (A1), ..., (A6)
 - (An)+: address register indirect with post-increment
 - -(An): address register indirect with pre-decrement
 - #<data>: immediate addressing (direct number)
 - (xxx).W: absolute addressing (short/word)
 - (xxx).L: absolute addressing (long)
 - (d₁₆, An): address register indirect with displacement
 (EA = (An)+ d₁₆)
 - (d₈, An, Xn): address register indirect with index
 (EA = (An)+(Xn)+ d₈)
 - (d₁₆, PC): Program counter with displacement (EA = (PC)+ d₁₆)
 - (d₈, PC, Xn): Program counter with index (EA = (PC)+(Xn)+ d₈)



Primary Addressing Modes

- Mode 0: Data register direct
 - Source or destination is a data register (D0...D7)
- Mode 1: Address register direct
 - Source or destination is an address register (A0...A6)
- Mode 2: Address register indirect
 - The address register, A0...A6, contains the address of the source or destination of the effective address
 - This is the "pointer" in C++
 - The contents of the address register is the address of the data
- Mode 7, subclass 4: Immediate addressing
 - The source value (preceded by the # sign) is the data
- Mode 7, subclass 0: Absolute addressing (word)
 - The memory location is explicitly specified as a 16-bit
- Mode 7, subclass 1: Absolute addressing (long)
 - The memory location is explicitly specified as a 32-bit

"Data Register Indirect" mode does not exist in 68K processor!!!



Primary Addressing Modes – cont'd

- Mode 3: Address register indirect with postincrement
 - After the instruction is executed, the contents of the address register is incremented by one
 - The stack POP operation!
- Mode 4: Address register indirect with predecrement
 - The address register, A0..A6, contains the address of the source or destination of the effective address
 - Before the instruction is executed, the contents of the address register is decremented by one
 - The stack PUSH operation!



Register Direct Addressing

- The simplest addressing mode
 - The source or destination of an operand is in a data register or an address register
- Fast: external memory does not have to be accessed
- Used to hold variables that are frequently accessed
- Used by compilers to improve performance
 - Have you used the register keyword in C or C++?
- Examples

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MOVE.B D0,D3 ;Copy the source operand in register D0 to register D3 SUB.L A0,D3 ;Subtract the source operand in register A0 from register D3 CMP.W D2,D0 ;Compare the values in register D2 and register D0 ADD.W D3,D4 ;Add the source operand in register D3 to register D4
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Immediate Addressing

- The actual operand (literal value) forms part of the instruction
 - Immediate addressing can be used only to specify a source operand.
- Immediate addressing is indicated by a '#' symbol in front of the source operand.
 - MOVE.B #24, D0 → move decimal data 24 to D0
- NOT Immediate addressing -> data is not indicated by a '#' symbol!
 - MOVE.B 24, D0 \rightarrow move data in the address 24₁₀ to D0
 - MOVE.B \$24, D0 → move data in the address 24₁₆ to D0
- Important: \$ is for hex, % is for binary, no symbol is for decimal
- Some operations on immediate numbers may be replaced to hard-coded into the instruction except MOVE (there is no MOVEI instruction)
 - Examples:

```
ADD.W
      #$5000,D6
                    \rightarrow
                        ADDI.W
                                  #$5000,D6
                    → SUBI.W
SUB.W #$AAAA,D4
                                  #$AAAA,D4
                    → CMPI.W
CMP.W #$BBBC,D5
                                  #$BBBC,D5
       #$CCCC,D2
                    \rightarrow
                                  #$CCCC,D2
                        ORI.W
OR.W
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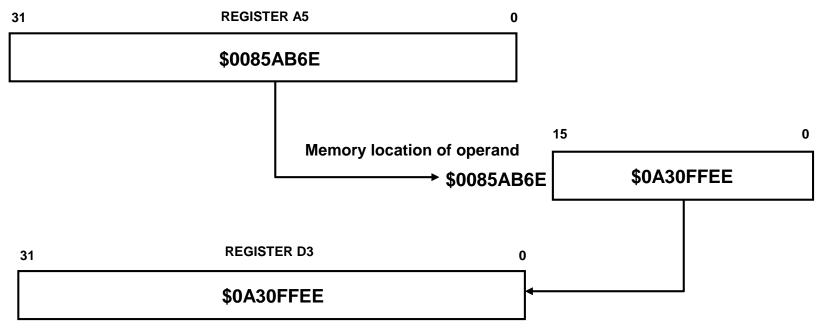
Comments on Immediate Addressing

- Immediate addressing is most frequently used to initialize memory and variables at boot-up
 - Even if you have data tables in memory, still need to initialize the pointers to these tables
- Immediate addressing is very important for compiler optimizations
 - It is an instruction that can be moved elsewhere in the program
 - Pipeline optimization
 - Since it does not access to memory to get the data, it is fast
- Immediate addressing can be wasteful if it's used continuously
 - Should only be used to load (initialize) a memory or register value



Address Register Indirect Addressing

- Instruction specifies one of the 68000's address registers
 - Example: MOVE.L (A5),D3
 - Load data register D3 with the contents of the memory location pointed to by address register A5
- The source address register contains the address of the operand
- The processor then accesses the operand pointed to by the address register
- Contents of the address register pointed to by A5 are copied to the data register





Address Register Indirect Addressing (2)

- Why use indirect addressing?
 - Allows us to compute a memory location (pointer arithmetic) during program execution instead of being fixed when the program is assembled
 - E.g., arrays, buffers, etc.
- What good is it?
 - If we compute an address, we can easily move up and down through tables and structures
 - "C++" pointers are indirect addresses



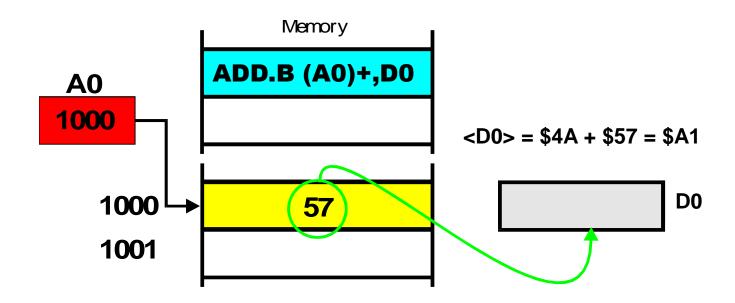
Address Register Indirect Addressing with Post-increment/Pre-decrement

- Post-increment: Automatically increment the value in the address register after operand is fetched from memory
- Pre-decrement: Automatically decrement the value before operand is fetched
 - Increments/decrements by 1, 2, or 4 if operation is on bytes, words or longwords, respectively
- Example: MOVE.L (A5)+,D3
 - < A5 > = \$0085AB6E
 - < \$0085AB6E > = \$0A30FFEE
 - The opcode will cause \$0A30FFEE to be loaded into D3
 - The value in A5 will automatically be incremented to \$0085AB72
 (increment by a longword size)
 - If this instruction was part of a loop, successive memory locations would be fetched and transferred to D3
- Note that there is neither pre-increment nor post-decrement!



Auto-incrementing

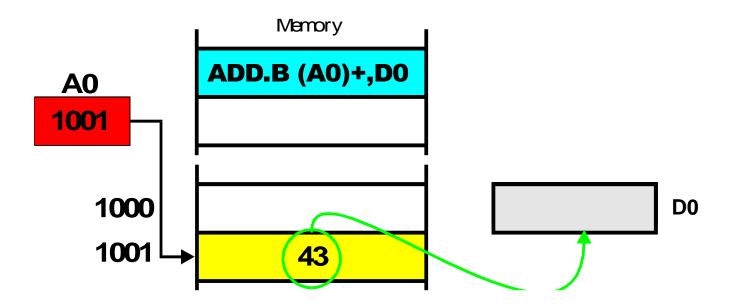
- If the addressing mode is specified as (A0)+, the *contents of the address* register A0 are incremented after they have been used.
- Example: The address register contains 1000 and points at location 1000
- Address A0 register is used to access memory location 1000 and the contents of this location (i.e., 57) are added to D0





Auto-incrementing (2)

- After the instruction has been executed:
 - Content of A0 is incremented : <A0> = 1001
- If the instruction after ADD.B (A0)+,D0 was a branch back instruction, then
 the result would keep adding the contents of successive memory locations
 to <D0>
- Auto-incrementing instructions are valuable because so much of memory is data in ordered lists





Example of Address Register Indirect Addressing

- The following fragment of code uses address register indirect addressing with post-incrementing to add together five numbers stored in consecutive memory locations.
- Note: LEA (Load Effective Address)
 - -Puts an address into an address register

Loop *	MOVE.B LEA CLR.B ADD.B SUB.B BNE STOP	#5,D0 Table,A0 D1 (A0)+,D1 #1,D0 Loop #\$2700	;Five numbers to add ;A0 points at the numbers ;Clear the sum ;REPEAT Add number to total ;UNTIL all numbers added
Table	DC.B	1,4,2,6,5	;Some data



Stack-based Operations

During a PUSH operation the stack grows towards lower memory addresses

Example:

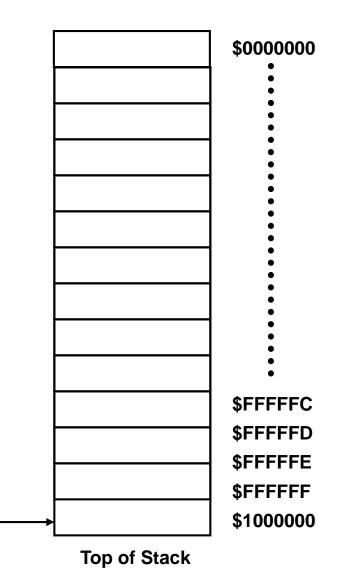
MOVE.B D0,-(SP) will place a byte of data on the stack.

During a POP operation the stack shrinks towards higher memory addresses

Example:

MOVE.B (SP)+,D0 will move a byte of data from the stack to D0.

Initial value of the stack pointer, SP The TOP of the stack





Direct (Absolute) Addressing

- Instruction provides the memory address of the operand
- Requires two memory accesses
 - 1) accessing the address and 2) accessing the actual operand (data)
- Important: \$ is for hex, % is for binary, no symbol is for decimal
- For example:
 - CLR.B 1234 clears the contents of memory location 1234 (decimal)
- This mode is not commonly used in most programming situations
 - Prevents code from being relocated
 - Multiple memory accesses reduce performance
- 68000 allows for both word (16-bit) and long (32-bit) direct addressing

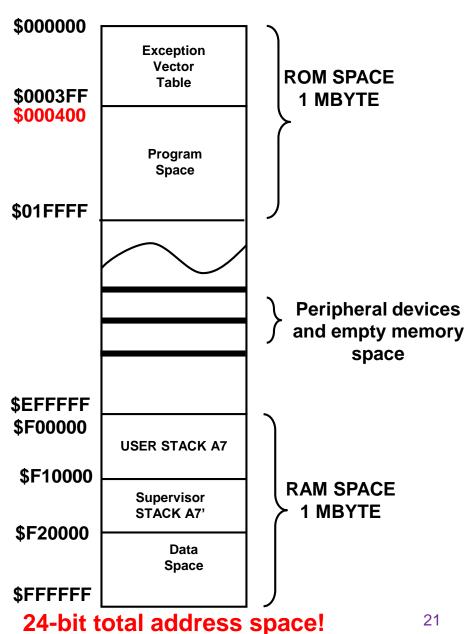


Before we start on Absolute Addressing!

- Two critical concepts
- Address: affects where is the data
 - Assembler can accept the specified address without a change
 - Assembler can change (by sign extension) the address by itself
- Addressing Mode: affects how the machine code is generated
 - Assembler can *allow programmer to specify* the Addressing Mode (fully or partially)
 - Assembler can also deduce the Address Mode by itself

Memory Map of a Typical 68000-based System

- Memory includes both ROM and RAM
- Your instructions should be in the memory
- 68000 hardware is designed to detect illegal memory accesses and cause a BUS ERROR exception to be taken





Absolute Addressing – Word

- Mode 7: Absolute Address-Word: Mode 111, Subclass 000
 - 68k has 24 bits for addressing, so technically it should have at least 24 bits for an address
 - 68k uses a 16-bit sign extended address
 - Most Significant Bit (MSB) of the first extension word fills all the upper address bits from Bit 31 to Bit 15



Absolute Addressing – Long

- Mode 7: Absolute Addressing-Long: Mode 111, Subclass 001
 - Actual address of the operand is contained in the two words following the instruction word
 - Data to be operated on is read from the 32-bit memory address formed by concatenating the high-order word and low-order word to form the full memory address

Problem of aliasing

- For the 68K processor, the address is 24-bit, but it can accept 32-bit address! How???
- It might have an inadvertently duplicating address
 - Where is the address \$AAFF00FF in the memory?
 \$00FF00FF
 - So, try to keep address bits Bit 31 to Bit 24 all zeros



Absolute Addressing Range

 When assembling, the range of an address determines the actual address mode!

For example, MOVE

MOVE.B \$00004214, D5

→ Word addressing

MOVE.B \$FFFF4214, D5

→ Long addressing

MOVE.B \$0000A000, D5

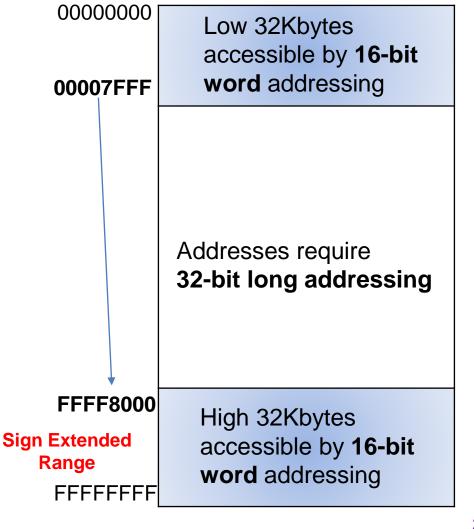
→ Long addressing

MOVE.B \$A000, D5

→ Long addressing

MOVE.B \$FFFFA000, D5

→ Word addressing





Summary of Primary Addressing Modes

- Register direct addressing (Data or Address Register)
 - Used for variables that can be held in registers
- Immediate addressing
 - Used for constants that do not change
 - Initializing variables
- Absolute addressing (Long or Word Address)
 - Used for variables that reside in memory
 - Prevents programs from being relocated
- Address register indirect addressing
 - Most efficient way to address memory
 - Treats memory addresses as variable values
- Address register indirect with post-increment or pre-decrement
 - Used for sequential data manipulation
 - PUSH and POP operations to the stack



Non-aligned Accesses*

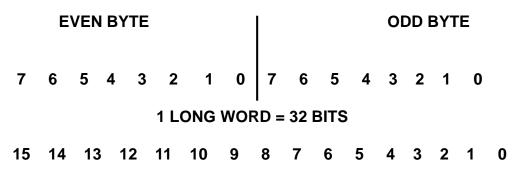
- For the 68000 microprocessor, only accesses to even address for word or long addressing operations are allowed
- For a misaligned transfer, more than one bus cycle may be required
- Instruction words must be aligned on word boundaries
- Misalignment of word or long-word operands can cause the microprocessor to perform multiple bus cycles for the operand transfer
 - Degrades processor performance
 - Means, you might not get a warning/error messages
- *Microprocessor's* performance is optimized when word and long-word memory operations are aligned on word and long-word boundaries

* Source: Freescale M68030 User's Manual



Memory Organization

Storing 32-bit values in a 16-bit external memory



MSB	HIGH ORDER WORD	
- · LONG WORD 0 · ·	LOW ORDER WORD	LSB
MSB		
- · LONG WORD 1		
		LSB
MSB		
- · LONG WORD 2		
		LSB



Memory Alignment

