## **Addressing Modes**

Addressing modes specifies a rule for interpreting or modifying the address field of the instruction (before the operand is actually referenced).

Variety of addressing modes used

- To give programming flexibility to the user
- To use the bits in the address field of the instruction efficiently

#### **Instruction Cycle**

- Fetch Instruction from Memory
- Decode Instruction
- Execute Instruction

- Operation to be performed
- Addressing mode of instruction
- Location of the operand

# **Addressing Mode Specification**

- Distinct Binary Code
- Single Binary code for both mode and operation

## **Types of Addressing Modes**

## **Implied Mode**

- Address of the operands are specified implicitly in the definition of the instruction
- No need to specify address in the instruction
- Examples: CMA, RAL

### **Immediate Mode**

- Instead of specifying the address of the operand, operand itself is specified
- No need to specify address in the instruction
- However, operand itself needs to be specified
- Sometimes, require more bits than the address
- Fast to acquire an operand
- Useful for initializing registers
- Examples: MVIA 05

### **Register Mode**

- Address specified in the instruction is the register address
- Designated operand need to be in a register
- Shorter address than the memory address
- Faster to acquire an operand than the memory addressing
- Examples: MOV A, B

#### **Register Indirect Mode**

- Instruction specifies a register which contains the memory address of the operand
- Saving instruction bits since register address is shorter
- Examples: MOV A, M; where M is a pointer

#### **Autoincrement or Autodecrement Mode**

- When the address in the register is used to access memory
- The value in the register is incremented or decremented by 1 automatically
- Used to access tables of data in memory

#### **Direct Address Mode**

- Instruction specifies the memory address which can be used directly to access the memory
- Operand resides in memory and its address is given in instruction
- Lengthy address for a large physical memory space
- Examples: LDA 2500H

## **Relative Addressing Modes**

- The Address fields of an instruction specifies the part of the address (abbreviated address) which can be used along with a designated register to calculate the address of the operand
- Address field of the instruction is short
- Large physical memory can be accessed with a small number of address bits
- Three different Relative Addressing Modes depending on R
  - PC Relative Addressing Mode (R = PC)
    - Effective Address (EA) = PC + IR(address)
  - Indexed Addressing Mode (R = IX, where IX: Index Register)
    - Effective Address (EA) = IX + IR(address)
  - Base Register Addressing Mode (R = BAR, where BAR: Base Address Register)
    - Effective Address (EA) = BAR + IR(address)

#### **Indirect Addressing Mode**

- The address field of an instruction specifies the address of a memory location that contains the address of the operand
- When the abbreviated address is used large physical memory can be addressed with a relatively small number of bits
- Slow to acquire an operand because of an additional memory access
- Effective Address (EA) = M[IR(address)]