Logic Instructions

• AND

AND destination, source

OR

OR destination, source

XOR

XOR destination, source

The results of the above three logic instructions are stored in the destination. The destination must be a register or memory location. The source may be a constant, register or memory location. Memory to memory operations are not allowed.

Effect on flags:

They affect SF, ZF, PF.

AF is undefined.

CF, OF = 0.

Important properties of AND, OR, XOR operations:

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b AND 1 = b; b AND 0 = 0;
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b OR 1 = 1; b OR 0 = b;

b XOR 1 = -b (complementary); b XOR 0 = b;

So -

- i) AND can be used to **clear** a specific bit position while preserving the others by using "0" as a mask bit.
- ii) OR can be used to **set** a specific bit position while preserving the others by using "1" as a mask bit.

iii) XOR can be used to **complement** a specific bit position while preserving the others by using "1" as a mask bit. A "0" mask bit preserves the other bit positions.

Example-1: Clear the sign bit of AL while leaving the other bits unchanged.

Solution: X = XXXX XXXX

AND AL, 7Fh AND AL, 7Fh

OXXX XXXX

Example-2: Set the msb and lsb of AL while preserving the other bits.

Solution: AL = xxxx xxxx OR 1000 0001

OR AL, 81h

Example-3: Change the sign bit of DX

Solution: X = xxxx xxxx xxxx xxxx xxxx

XOR DX, 8000h XOR 1000 0000 0000 0000

Yxxx xxxx xxxx xxxx

NOT

NOT destination

It performs one's complement of the destination.

It does not affect any flags.

Exercise:

1. MOV BX, 3256H

MOV CX, 1554H

AND CX, BX

HLT

What are the contents of BX and CX?

2. MOV BX, 3A56H

MOV AX, 1504H

XOR AX, BX

HLT

What is the content of AX?

3. MOV AX, 1027H MOV BX, 5A27H TEST AX, BX HLT

What are the contents of AX and BX?

4. SHR BL, 1 where BL = 65H.

0110 0101 >>1 = 0011 0010 = 32

What is the content of BL?

5. Suppose AX = 6165H and BL = 09H.

Write a code in assembly language to complement the 3rd bit of AX and to set the LSB of BL.

> XOR AX, 0004H OR BL, 01H

Coding in Assembly Language

Logical instructions:

Logical instructions include NOT, AND, OR, XOR, TEST etc. instructions. Their job is to compare the data values and make results according to logic specified. For example,

MOV BX, 30H; In binary 110000
NOT BX; In binary 001111

This code takes BX value and then complements all the bits and stores the new value to BX. So it stores 0F value in BX after executing NOT operation. For another example,

• MOV BX, 70H; In binary 1110000

MOV CX, 40H; In binary 1000000 AND CX, BX; In binary 1000000

• MOV BX, 70H; In binary 1110000

MOV CX, 40H; In binary 1000000 OR CX, BX; In binary 1110000

• MOV BX, 70H; In binary 1110000

MOV CX, 40H; In binary 1000000 XOR CX, BX; In binary 0110000

Test operation is a little different from AND operation. It performs bit by bit AND operation but it does not change any operands value.

• MOV BX, 70H; In binary 1110000

MOV CX, 40H; In binary 1000000

TEST CX, BX; In binary CX value is 1000000

• MOV BX, 70H; In binary 1110000

MOV CX, 40H; In binary 1000000 AND CX, BX; In binary 1110000

Example 1.

CODE SEGMENT

ASSUME CS:CODE, DS:CODE

MOV BX, 3256H

MOV CX, 1554H

AND CX, BX

HLT

CODE ENDS

END

Example 2.

CODE SEGMENT

ASSUME CS:CODE, DS:CODE

MOV BX, 3256H

MOV CX, 1554H

XOR CX, BX

HLT

CODE ENDS

END

Example 3.

CODE SEGMENT

ASSUME CS:CODE, DS:CODE

MOV AX, 1027H

MOV BX, 5A27H

MOV CX, 54A5H

OR AX, BX

XOR AX, CX

NOT AX

TEST CX, BX

AND CX, AX

HLT

CODE ENDS

END

JUMP Commands:

Sometimes it is necessary to go from one line of program to another line without executing some intermediate lines. For this Jump commands are used. We can explain this with a simple example.

MOV AX, 3254H

MOV BX, 1F4BH

MOV CX, 412AH

ADD AX, CX

JMP L3T2

SUB AX, BX

L3T2: AND AX, BX

HLT

In this example L3T2 is a level. As we can see in fifth line JMP command is used. It makes the program to go from fifth line to L3T2 level that is seventh line. So sixth line is not executed.

There are two types of Jump commands. These are (i) Conditional jump and (ii) Unconditional Jump. Previous example is an unconditional jump. Conditional Jumps are like if statements. If some flags are affected only then these jump instructions executed. We can look at the following example,

MOV AX, 125BH

MOV BX, 125BH

MOV CX, 412AH

SUB AX, BX

JZ L3T2

DIV BX

L3T2: AND AX, CX

HLT

In fourth line subtraction operation is performed. As both AX and BX have same value. Their subtracted value is 0. So ZF is set to 1. In fifth line JZ L3T2 is written. It means if ZF = 1 then go to L3T2:. Otherwise continue. As ZF = 1, program moves to eighth line. This is a conditional Jump. Some other conditional jumps are,

Command

Condition of Jump

JA/JNBE jump if above / jump if not below or equal $CF=0,\,ZF=0$

JBE/JNA jump if below or equal / jump if not above $CF=0 \ or \ ZF=0$

JB/JNAE/JC CF = 1

JZ/JE ZF = 1

JNZ/JNE ZF = 0

Example 4.

CODE SEGMENT

ASSUME CS:CODE, DS:CODE

MOV AX, 7A24H

MOV BX, 15A3H

SUB AX, BX

JMP L3T2

EEE323: DIV BX

JMP Last

L3T2: MOV CX, 45B1H

AND AX, CX

TEST AX, BX

JMP EEE316

Last: HLT

CODE ENDS

END

Example 5.

CODE SEGMENT

ASSUME CS:CODE, DS:CODE

MOV AX, 7A24H

MOV BX, 95A3H

ADD AX, BX

JC L3T2

EEE316: OR AX, 23H

JNZ Last

L3T2: MOV CX, 0FC7H

SUB AX,CX

JZ EEE316

Last: HLT

CODE ENDS

END