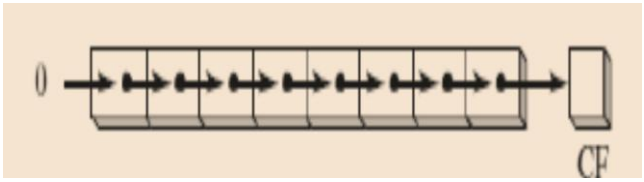
Shift and Rotate Instructions

- Shifting means to move bits right and left inside an operand.
- The following table provides Shift and Rotate Instructions.
- All affecting the Overflow and Carry flags.

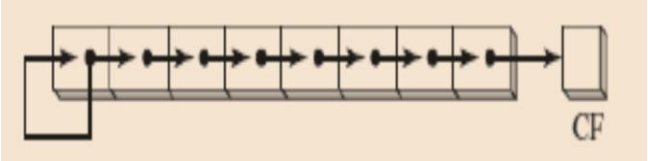
SHL	Shift left
SHR	Shift right
SAL	Shift arithmetic left
SAR	Shift arithmetic right
ROL	Rotate left
ROR	Rotate right
RCL	Rotate carry left
RCR	Rotate carry right
SHLD	Double-precision shift left
SHRD	Double-precision shift right

Logical Shifts and Arithmetic Shifts

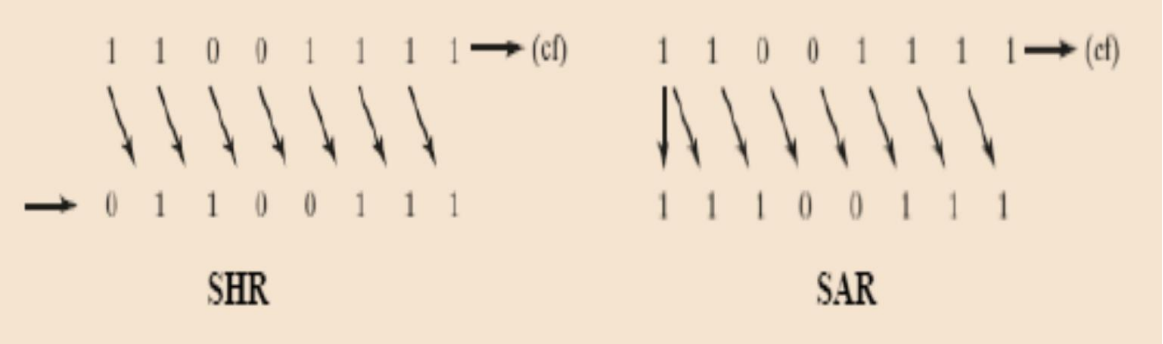
A logical shift fills the newly created bit position with zero.



An arithmetic shift fills the newly created bit position with a copy of the number's sign bit.

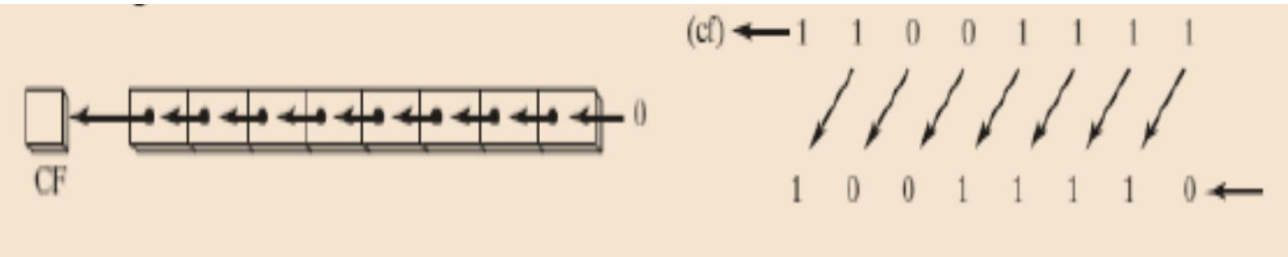


Example of Right Logical Shifts and Right Arithmetic Shifts



SHL Instruction

The SHL (shift left) instruction performs a logical left shift on the destination operand, filling the lowest bit with 0.



The first operand in SHL is the destination and the second is the shift count:

SHL destination,count

Operand types for SHL:

SHL reg,imm8
SHL mem,imm8
SHL reg,CL
SHL mem,CL

Formats shown here also apply to the SHR, SAL, SAR, ROR, ROL, RCR, and RCL instructions.

Application: Fast Multiplication

Shifting left 1 bit multiplies a number by 2
Shifting the integer 5 left by 1 bit yields the product of 5 * 21=10

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mov dl,5
shl dl,1
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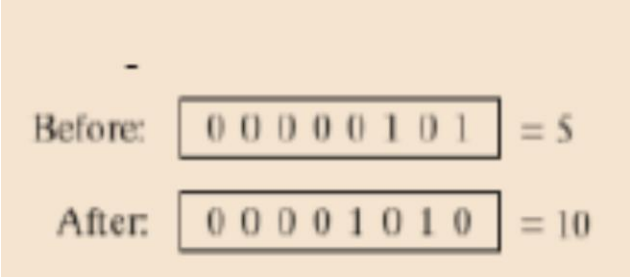
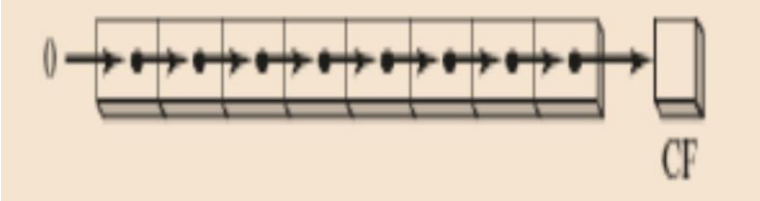


Shifting left *n* bits multiplies the operand by2^n
For example, 5 * 22 = 20
mov dl,5
shl dl,2 ;DL = 20, CF = 0

SHR Instruction

The SHR (shift right) instruction performs a logical right shift on the destination operand. The highest bit position is filled with a zero.



Application: Division

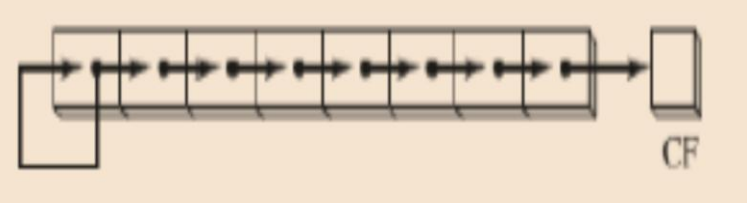
Shifting right n bits divides the operand by 2^n

mov dl,80 ; DL = 01010000b
shr dl,1 ; DL = 00101000b = 40, CF = 0
shr dl,2 ; DL = 00001010b = 10, CF = 0

SAL and SAR Instructions

SAL (shift arithmetic left) is identical to SHL.

SAR (shift arithmetic right) performs a right arithmetic shift on the destination operand.



Applications:

1. Signed Division

An arithmetic shift preserves the number's sign.

mov dl,-80 ; DL = 10110000b
sar dl,1 ; DL = 11011000b = -40, CF = 0
sar dl,2 ; DL = 11110110b = -10, CF = 0

2. Sign-Extend

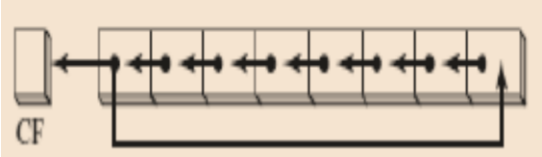
Suppose AX contains a signed integer and you want to extend its sign into EAX. First shift EAX 16 bits to the left, then shift it arithmetically 16 bits to the right:

mov ax,-128 ; EAX = ????FF80h
shl eax,16 ; EAX = FF800000h
sar eax,16 ; EAX = FFFFFF80h

ROL Instruction

The ROL (rotate left) instruction shifts each bit to the left. The highest bit is copied into the Carry flag and the lowest bit position.

No bits are lost.



Example:

mov al,11110000b
rol al,1 ;AL = 11100001b, CF = 1

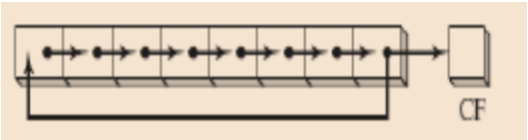
Application: Exchanging Groups of Bits

You can use ROL to exchange the upper (bits 4–7) and lower (bits0–3) halves of a byte.

mov dl,3Fh ; DL = 00111111b
rol dl,4 ; DL = 11110011b = F3h, CF = 1

ROR Instruction

The ROR (rotate right) instruction shifts each bit to the right and copies the lowest bit into the Carry flag and the highest bit position.
No bits are lost.



Example:

mov al,11110000b
ror al,1 ; AL = 01111000b, CF = 0

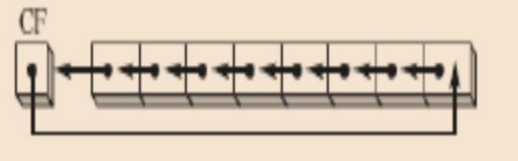
Application: Exchanging Groups of Bits

You can use ROL to exchange the upper (bits 4–7) and lower (bits0–3) halves of a byte.

mov dl,3Fh ; DL = 00111111b
ror dl,4 ; DL = 11110011b = F3h, CF = 1

RCL Instruction

The RCL (rotate carry left) instruction shifts each bit to the left, copies the Carry flag to the LSB, and copies the MSB into the Carry flag.

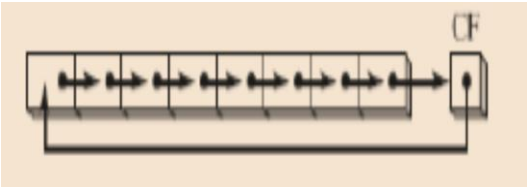


Example:

Clc ; clear carry, CF = 0
mov bl,88h ;CF = 0 ,BL = 10001000b
rcl bl,1 ;CF = 1 ,BL = 00010000b
rcl bl,1 ;CF = 0 ,BL = 00100001b

RCR Instruction

The RCR (rotate carry right) instruction shifts each bit to the right, copies the Carry flag into the MSB, and copies the LSB into the Carry flag.



Example:

stc ; set carry, CF = 1
mov ah,10h ;CF = 1, AH = 00010000b
rcr ah,1 ; CF = 0, AH = 10001000b 5

SHLD Instruction

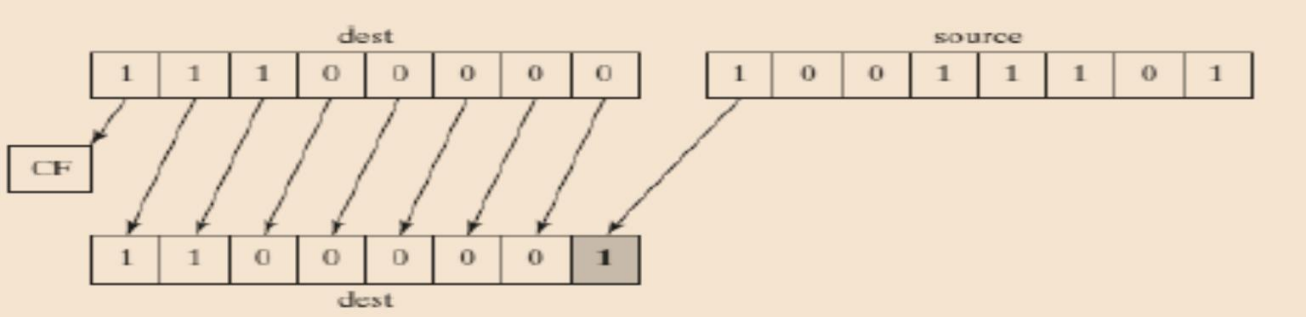
The SHLD (shift left double) instruction shifts a destination operand a given number of bits to the left.

The bit positions opened up by the shift are filled by the most significant bits of the source operand.
Only the destination is modified, not the source.

Syntax:

SHLD *dest, source, count*

Operand types:
SHLD reg16,reg16,CL/imm8
SHLD mem16,reg16,CL/imm8
SHLD reg32,reg32,CL/imm8
SHLD mem32,reg32,CL/imm8



Example:

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.data
wval WORD 9BA6h
.code
mov ax,0AC36h
shld wval,ax,4
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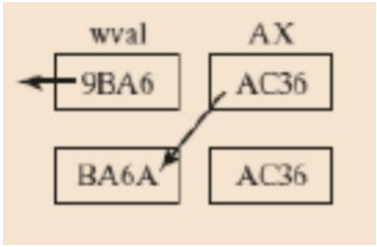
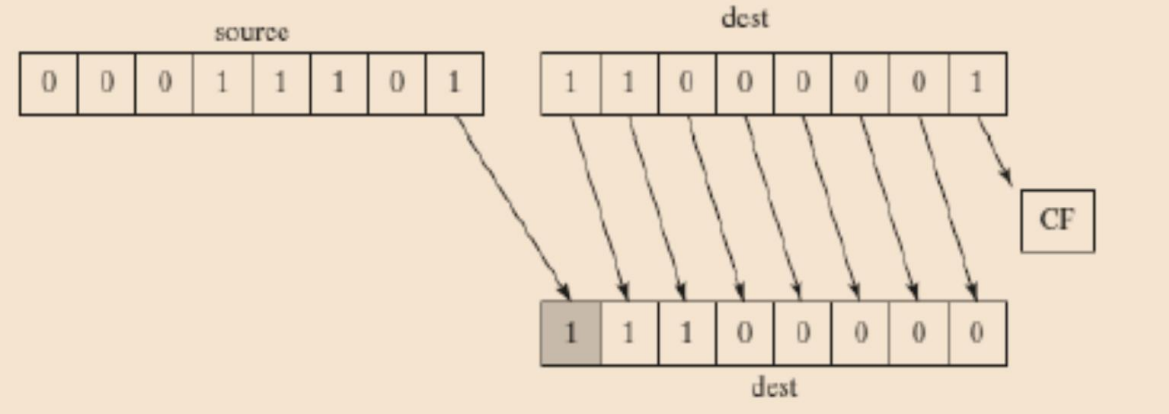


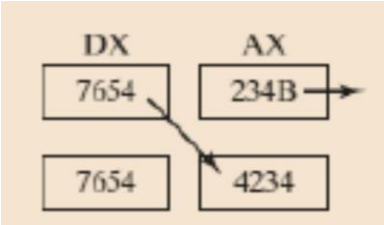
SHRD Instruction

The SHRD (shift right double) instruction shifts a destination operand a given number of bits to the right.
The bit positions opened up by the shift are filled by the least significant bits of the source operand.



Example:

mov ax,234Bh
mov dx,7654h
shrd ax,dx,4



Multiplication and Division Instructions

MUL Instruction

The MUL (unsigned multiply) instruction comes in three versions:

The first version multiplies an 8-bit operand by the AL register.
The second version multiplies a 16-bit operand by the AX register.
The third version multiplies a 32-bit operand by the EAX register.

The multiplier and multiplicand must always be the same size, and the product is twice their size.
The three formats accept register and memory operands, but not immediate operands:

MUL reg/mem8
MUL reg/mem16
MUL reg/mem32

Multiplicand	Multiplier	Product
AL	reg/mem8	AX
AX	reg/mem16	DX:AX
EAX	reg/mem32	EDX:EAX

MUL sets the Carry and Overflow flags if the upper half of the product is not equal to zero.

Example1: Multiply 16-bit var1 (2000h) * var2 (100h)

```
.data
var1 WORD 2000h
var2 WORD 100h
.code
mov ax,var1
mul var2 ; DX:AX = 00200000h, CF = OF = 1
```

Example2: Multiply EAX (12345h) * EBX (1000h)

```
mov eax,12345h
mov ebx,1000h
mul ebx ; EDX:EAX = 0000000012345000h, CF=OF=0
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DIV Instruction

The DIV (unsigned divide) instruction performs 8-bit, 16-bit, and 32-bit unsigned integer division.
The single register or memory operand is the divisor.
The formats are

DIV reg/mem8
DIV reg/mem16
DIV reg/mem32

Dividend	Divisor	Quotient	Remainder
AX	reg/mem8	AL	AH
DX:AX	reg/mem16	AX	DX
EDX:EAX	reg/mem32	EAX	EDX

Example1: Divide AX = 8003h by CX = 100h, using 16-bit operands

```
mov dx,0 ;clear dividend, high
mov ax,8003h ;dividend, low
mov cx,100h ;divisor
div cx ; AX = 0080h, DX = 0003h (Remainder)
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Example2: Same division, using 32-bit operands

```
mov edx,0 ;clear dividend, high
mov eax,8003h ;dividend, low
mov ecx,100h ;divisor
div ecx ; EAX = 00000080h, EDX = 00000003h
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