# **Lab - 1**

# What is Assembly Language

- ➤ A low-level programming language
- ➤ Converted to machine code using an **assembler**
- ightharpoonup Important to low-level embedded system designs
- > Designed for specific processor

# Registers of MPU 8086

> Total number of registers: 14

➤ Each register size: 16 bits

АХ [	AH	AL	Accumulator
вх	BH	BL	Base
cx	CH	CL	Count
DX	DH	DL	Data
Poin	ter and I	ndex Reg	isters
SP [			Stack Pointer
ВР			Base Pointer
SI			Source Index
DI			Destination Index
IP			Instruction Pointer
5	Segment	Registers	<b>-</b>
cs [			Code Segment
DS			Data Segment
			Stack Segment
SS			
ES			Extra Segment

#### General Purpose Registers (4 registers):

- ➤ Each GPR has two separate parts: Higher order byte and Lower order byte (each with 8 bits size). Data on each part can be separately manipulated
- ➤ Can perform 16 bits and 8 bits data read/write operations

	АН	AL
AX: 0011 0000 0011 1001 b	0011 0000 b	0011 1001 b
AX: 1111 0100 1010 0001 b	1111 0100 b	1010 0001 b
AX: <b>F4</b> A1 h	F4 h	A1 h
AX: 4 h	?	?

AX (Accumulator Register): Used in arithmetic, logic and data transfer operations

BX (Base Register): used as an address register

CX (Count Register): used for program loop count

DX (Data Register): used in arithmetic and I/O operations

### Segment Registers (4 registers):

- > Program code, data and stack are loaded into different memory segments.
- > Stack segment: used for temporary storage of addresses and data
- > Code segment: program instructions are loaded in this segment.
- Data segment: variables are declared in this segment
- > Extra segment: another data segment in the memory

## Pointer and Index Registers (5 registers):

- ➤ Points to memory locations
- ➤ Unlike segment registers, they can be used for general arithmetic operations
- > IP register: contains the offset of the next instruction in the code segment

## Flag Register:

➤ Indicates the status of the microprocessor

### Structure of Assembly Language Programming for MPU 8086

Label: OperationToPerform operand1 operand2; Label: OperationToPerform Destination Source;

**Label:** - symbolic name for memory location

**OperationToPerform** - instruction name

**Operand -** direct data, register, memory address

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Operands: REG, MEMORY, Immediate

> **REG:** Any valid register

> Memory: Referring to a memory location in RAM

> Immediate: Using direct values (can never be a destination)

Instruction	Algorithm (= is assignment)	
MOV	MOV Destination, Source Algorithm: destination = source	
ADD	ADD Destination, Source Algorithm: destination = destination + source	
SUB	SUB Destination, Source Algorithm: destination = destination - source	
INC	INC Destination Algorithm: destination = destination + 1	
DEC	DEC Destination Algorithm: destination = destination - 1	
** source remains unchanged		

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05 .model small
06 .stack 100h
07 .code
08
09 mov ah, 2 ;ah=2
10 add ah, 5 ;ah=2+5=7
11 mov al, 3 ;al=3
12 sub ah, al ;ah=ah-al=7-3=4
13
14 inc bl ;bl = bl+1=0+1=1
15 dec dh ;dh=dh-1=0-1=-1=ffh
16
17 mov ah, 4ch
18 int 21h
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