



**BITS Pilani**

# Microprocessors & Interfacing

# **INSTRUCTION SET**

Dr. Gargi Prabhu  
Department of CS & IS

# LEA- LOAD-EFFECTIVE ADDRESS



- The LEA instruction loads a 16- or 32-bit register with the offset address of the data specified by the operand.

E.g. LEA AX,NUMB

- Loads AX with the offset address of NUMB
- MOV BX,OFFSET LIST is same as LEA BX,LIST

# Why is the LEA instruction available if the OFFSET directive accomplishes the same task?



- OFFSET only functions with simple operands such as LIST. It may not be used for an operand such as [DI], LIST [SI], and so on.
- OFFSET directive is more efficient than the LEA instruction for simple operands.
- It takes the microprocessor longer to execute the LEA BX,LIST instruction than the MOV BX,OFFSET LIST.
- It is because the assembler calculates the offset address of LIST, whereas the microprocessor calculates the address for the LEA instruction.
- The MOV BX,OFFSET LIST instruction is actually assembled as a move immediate instruction and hence is more efficient.

# Example



E.g. LEA BX, [DI]

DI=1000H -> BX=1000H

Can this be done using MOV BX, DI ?

E.g. LEA SI,[BX+DI]

BX=3000H, DI=2000H -> SI=3000H (Sum= modulo-64)

If BX=1000H DI = FF00H , what is SI?

Yes.  
LEA BX, [DI] is same as  
MOV BX, DI  
Both transfer a copy of  
offset address(DI) in BX

DI – Data stored at DI  
[DI] – Data stored at the  
address of DI

# Example on DosBox



```
-A 100
0859:0100 MOV DI,0101
0859:0103 MOV AX,DI
0859:0105 LEA BX,[DI]
0859:0107
-T
AX=0000 BX=0000 CX=0000 DX=0000 SP=FFFE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0000
DS=0859 ES=0859 SS=0859 CS=0859 IP=011E NU UP EI NG NZ NA PO NC
0859:011E 0000          ADD     [BX+SI],AL          DS:0000=CD
-T=100
AX=0000 BX=0000 CX=0000 DX=0000 SP=FFFE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0101
DS=0859 ES=0859 SS=0859 CS=0859 IP=0103 NU UP EI NG NZ NA PO NC
0859:0103 89F8          MOV     AX,DI
-
AX=0101 BX=0000 CX=0000 DX=0000 SP=FFFE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0101
DS=0859 ES=0859 SS=0859 CS=0859 IP=0105 NU UP EI NG NZ NA PO NC
0859:0105 8D1D          LEA     BX,[DI]          DS:0101=0101
-
AX=0101 BX=0101 CX=0000 DX=0000 SP=FFFE BP=0000 SI=0000 DI=0101
DS=0859 ES=0859 SS=0859 CS=0859 IP=0107 NU UP EI NG NZ NA PO NC
0859:0107 89F8          MOV     AX,DI
-
```

# Example



```
DATA1    .DATA                ;start data segment
DATA2    DW      2000H        ;define DATA1
          DW      3000H        ;define DATA2
          .CODE                ;start code segment
          .STARTUP             ;start program
          LEA SI,DATA1         ;address DATA1 with SI
          MOV DI,OFFSET DATA2 ;address DATA2 with DI
          MOV BX,[SI]          ;exchange DATA1 with DATA2
          MOV CX,[DI]
          MOV [SI],CX
          MOV [DI],BX
          .EXIT
          END
```

# LDS, LES



- LDS (Load DS), LES (Load ES)
- Load any 16-bit or 32-bit register with an offset address, and the DS, ES, or SS segment register with a segment address.
- Used when working with data structures that include a far pointer, which consists of both a segment and an offset.
- E.g. LDS BX,[DI] – transfer 32 bit number addressed by DI in data segment into BX and DS registers.

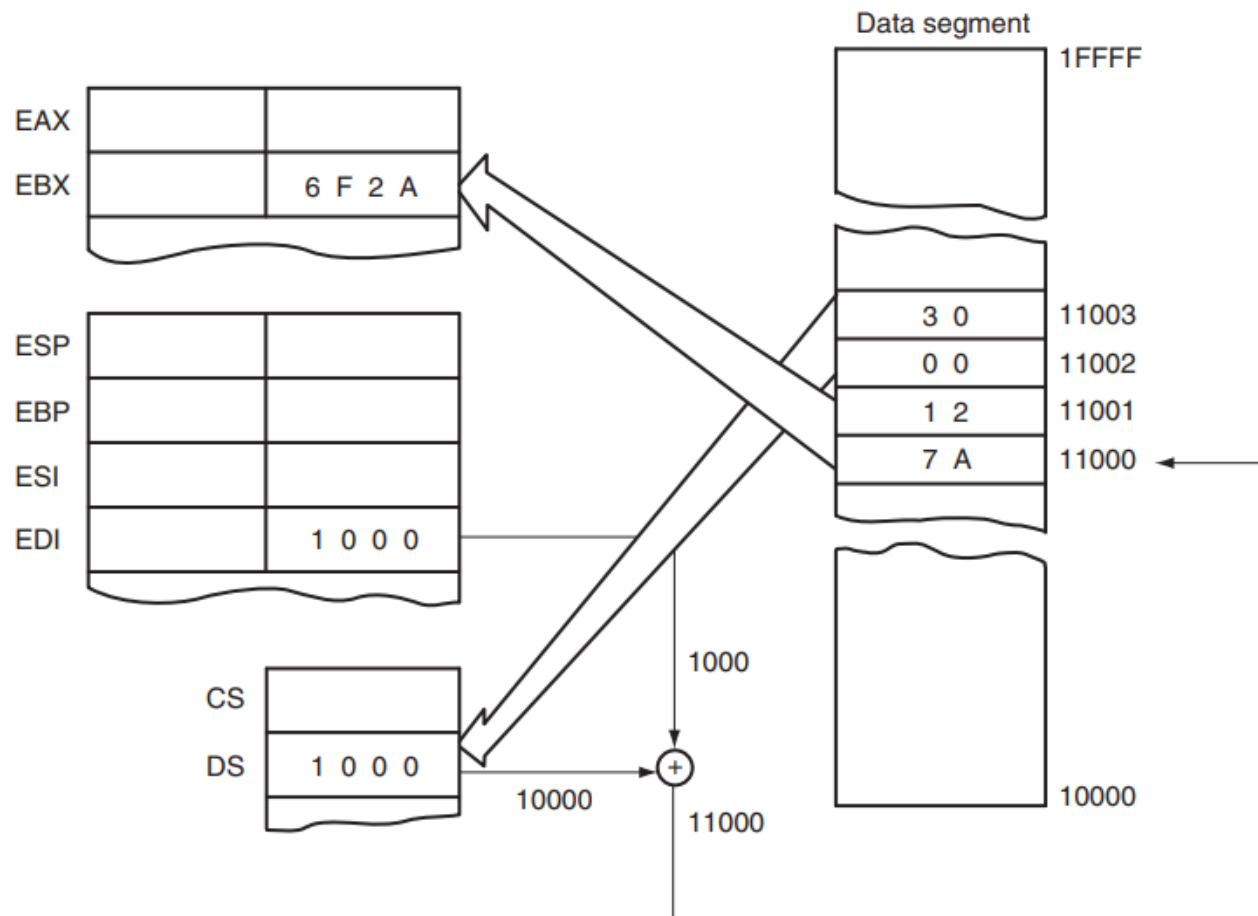
# Far Pointer

- A far pointer combines both the segment and offset into a 32-bit value. It is used to address memory locations beyond the 64 KB limit imposed by a single segment in the x86 architecture.
- The format of a far pointer is typically:

$\text{Far Pointer} = (\text{Segment} \ll 4) + \text{Offset}$



# LDS Example





# STRING DATA TRANSFERS



- Five string data transfer instructions: LODS, STOS, MOVS, INS, and OUTS.
- Each string instruction allows data transfers that are either a single byte, word, or doubleword (or if repeated, a block of bytes, words, or doublewords).
- String instructions use
  - D flag-bit (direction)
  - DI and SI registers

# Direction Flag

- **The Direction Flag:** (D, located in the flag register) selects the auto-increment or the auto-decrement operation for the DI and SI registers during string operations.
- CLD instruction clears the D flag and the STD instruction sets it .
- CLD instruction selects the auto-increment mode and STD selects the auto-decrement mode .

# DI and SI



- Memory accesses occur through either or both of the DI and SI registers.
- The DI offset address accesses data in the extra segment for all string instructions that use it.
- The SI offset address accesses data, by default, in the data segment.
- Transferring a byte, the contents of DI and/or SI are **incremented or decremented by 1.**
- Transferring a word, the contents of DI and/or SI are **incremented or decremented by 2.**
- Transferring a Doubleword cause DI and/or SI to **increment or decrement by 4.**

# LODS



- The LODS instruction loads AL, AX, or EAX with data stored at the data segment offset address indexed by the SI register.

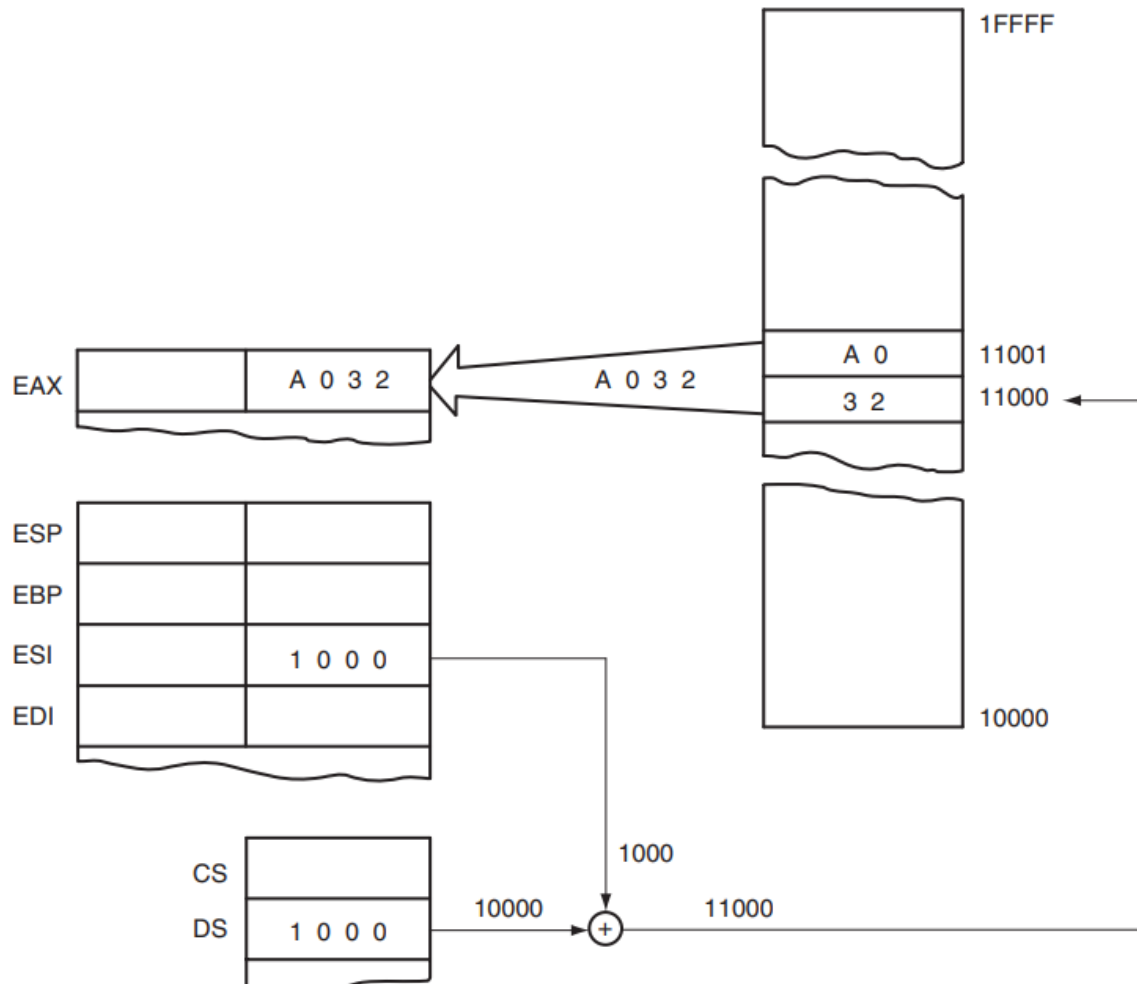
E.g.    `LODSB`                       $AL = DS:[SI]; SI = SI \pm 1$   
          `LODSW`                     $AX = DS:[SI]; SI = SI \pm 2$

After `LODSB` , content of SI increment if D=0  
Content of SI decrement if D=1

# Example: LODSW



**FIGURE 4–18** The operation of the LODSW instruction if DS = 1000H, D = 0, 11000H = 32, and 11001H = A0. This instruction is shown after AX is loaded from memory, but before SI increments by 2.



# STOS



- Stores AL, AX, or EAX at the extra segment memory location addressed by the DI register.

E.g. `STOSB`                       $ES:[DI] = AL; DI = DI \pm 1$   
      `STOSW`                       $ES:[DI] = AX; DI = DI \pm 2$

- The STOSB (stores a byte) instruction stores the byte in AL at the extra segment memory location addressed by DI.
- The STOSW (stores a word) instruction stores AX in the extra segment memory location addressed by DI.



# Example



- Suppose that the STOSW instruction is used to clear an area of memory called Buffer using a count called Count and the program is to function call Clear Buffer in the environment using the inline assemble.

```
void ClearBuffer (int count, short* buffer)
{
    _asm{
        push edi                ;save registers
        push es
        push ds
        mov ax,0
        mov ecx, count
        mov edi, buffer
        pop es                  ;load ES with DS
        rep stosw               ;clear Buffer
        pop es                  ;restore registers
        pop edi
    }
}
```

The repeat prefix (REP) is added to any string data transfer instruction, except the LODS instruction. The REP prefix causes CX to decrement by 1 each time the string instruction executes. After CX decrements, the string instruction repeats. If CX reaches a value of 0, the instruction terminates and the program continues with the next sequential instruction.

# MOVS



- Transfers data from one memory location to another.
- This is the only memory-to-memory transfer allowed in the 8086–Pentium 4 microprocessors.
- The MOVS instruction transfers a byte, word, or doubleword from the data segment location addressed by SI to the extra segment location addressed by DI.
- As with the other string instructions, the pointers then are incremented or decremented, as dictated by the direction flag.

E.g. MOVSB  
MOVSW  
MOVSD

ES:[DI] = DS:[SI]; DI = DI  $\pm$  1; SI = SI  $\pm$  1 (byte transferred)

ES:[DI] = DS:[SI]; DI = DI  $\pm$  2; SI = SI  $\pm$  2 (word transferred)

ES:[DI] = DS:[SI]; DI = DI  $\pm$  4; SI = SI  $\pm$  4 (doubleword transferred)



**BITS Pilani**  
Pilani Campus



# Thank You