

# Logic Instructions

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# Overview : LOGIC



- Instructions to **change the bit pattern** in a byte or word
- The ability to **manipulate bits manually** which is unlikely in high level languages (Except C)
- **Logic Instructions:** AND, OR, XOR and NOT
- Logic Instructions can be used to **clear, set, and examine** bits, a register or variable. i.e. these will be used for
  - Converting a lowercase letter to upper case
  - Determining If a register contains an even or odd number.

# Overview: SHIFT



- Bits can be shifted **left or right** in a register or memory location.
- When a bit is shifted out, it goes into CF.
- Because a **left shift doubles** a number and a **right shift halves** it, these instructions give us a way to multiply and divide powers of 2.
- Shifting is much **faster** than Multiplication and Division.

# LOGIC Instructions



- The ability to **manipulate individual bits** is one the main advantages of assembly language.
- Individual bits can be changed in computer by using logic operations.
- The binary values of **0 = False and 1= True**
- When a logic operation is applied to 8- or 16-bit operands, the result is obtained by applying the logic operation at **each bit position**.

# Truth Table for AND, OR, XOR and NOT



a	b	a AND b	a OR b	a XOR b
0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	0

a	NOT a
0	1
1	0

# Solve the Following



1. **AND Operation:** 10101010 **AND** 11110000
2. **OR Operation:** 10101010 **OR** 11110000
3. **XOR Operation:** 10101010 **XOR** 11110000
4. **NOT Operation:** **NOT** 10101010

# Solution



1            10101010

**AND** 11110000

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=10100000

2            10101010

**OR** 11110000

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=11111010

3            10101010

**XOR** 11110000

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= 01011010

4            **NOT** 10101010

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=01010101

# AND, OR, and XOR instructions



- The **AND**, **OR**, and **XOR** instructions perform the named logic operations. The formats are:
  - **AND destination**, source
  - **OR destination**, source
  - **XOR destination**, source
- The result of the operation is stored in the destination, which must be a register or memory location.
- The source may be a constant, register, or memory location.
- However, memory-to-memory operations are not allowed.



# Effect on Flags



- SF, ZF, PF reflect the result
- AF is undefined
- CF, OF= 0
- One use of AND, OR, and XOR is to **selectively modify the bits** in the destination.
- To do this, we construct a **source bit pattern** known as **mask**.
- The **mask bits** are chosen so that the **corresponding destination bits** are **modified in the desired manner** when the instruction is executed.

# MASK



- To choose the mask bits, we make use of the following properties of AND, OR, and XOR:
- $b \text{ AND } 1 = b$
- $b \text{ OR } 0 = b$
- $b \text{ XOR } 0 = b$
- $b \text{ AND } 0 = 0$
- $b \text{ OR } 1 = 1$
- $b \text{ XOR } 1 = \sim b$  (complement of  $b$ )

- The **AND** instruction can be used to **CLEAR** specific destination bits while preserving the others.
  - A **0 mask** bit **clears** the corresponding destination bit.
  - a **1 mask** bit **preserves** the corresponding destination bit.
- The **OR** instruction can be used to **SET** specific destination bits while preserving the others.
  - A **1 mask** bit **sets** the corresponding destination bit.
  - A **0 mask** bit **preserves** the corresponding destination bit. ·
- The **XOR** instruction can be used to **complement** specific destination bits while preserving the others.
  - A **1 mask** bit **complements** the corresponding destination bit;
  - A **0 mask** bit preserves the corresponding destination bit.

# Clear bit



## ➤ Example

- Clear the sign bit of AL while leaving the other bits unchanged

## ➤ Solution:

- Use the AND instruction with  $01111111b = 7Fh$  as the mask.
- Thus. `AND AL,7Fh`

# Set or Complement Bit



➤ **Example:** Set the most significant and least significant bits of AL while preserving the other bits.

- **Solution:** Use the OR instruction with  $10000001b = 81h$  as the mask.
- Thus, OR AL,81h

➤ **Example:** Change the sign bit of DX.

- **Solution:** Use the XOR instruction with a mask of 8000h.
- Thus, XOR DX,8000h

\*\*\* To avoid typing errors, it's best to express the mask in **hex rather than binary**, especially if the mask would be 16 bits long.

# Converting an ASCII Digit to a Number



- when program reads a character or digit from the keyboard, AL gets the ASCII code of the character.
- For example, if the "5" key is pressed, AL gets 35h instead of 5. To get 5 in AL, we did
  - **SUB AL,30h**
- We can also do this by using an AND instructions to **clear the high four bits of AL**.
  - **AND AL,0Fh**
- As the ASCII codes of "0" to "9" are 30h to 39h, this method will convert any ASCII digit to a decimal value.
- Using AND emphasizes on modifying bit pattern of AL and makes program more readable.

**Problem: convert a stored decimal digit to Its ASCII code?**

- |                  |                    |                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Character</b> | <u><b>Code</b></u> | <b>Character</b> | <u><b>Code</b></u> |
| a                | 01100001           | A                | 01000001           |
| b                | 01100010           | B                | 01000010           |
| .                | .                  | .                | .                  |
| .                | .                  | .                | .                  |
| .                | .                  | .                | .                  |
| .                | .                  | .                | .                  |
| .                | 01111010           | Z                | 01011010           |

# Conversion using AND



- To convert lower to upper case we need to clear only bit 5. This can be done by using an AND instruction with the mask **11011111** or **0DFh**. So if the lowercase character to be converted is In DL, we execute
- `AND DL, 0DFh`



# Clearing a Register



- `MOV AX,0`
- `SUB AX,AX`
- `XOR AX,AX` [ $1 \text{ XOR } 1 = 0$  and  $0 \text{ XOR } 0 = 0$ ]

## Testing a Register for Zero

- To test the contents of a register for zero, or to check the sign of the contents, we may use:
- `CMP CX,0`

# Not Instruction



- The NOT instruction performs the **one's complement** operation on the destination. The format is:
- **NOT destination** (\*\*No effect on status flags)
- Example: Complement the bits in AX:
- **NOT AX**

# Status Flags

- The **Zero flag** is set when the result of an operation equals zero.
- The **Carry flag** is set when an instruction generates a carry during add operation.
- The **Sign flag** is set if the destination operand is negative, and it is clear if the destination operand is positive.
- The **Overflow flag** is set when an instruction generates an invalid signed result.
- Less important:
  - The **Parity flag** is set when an instruction generates an even number of 1 bits in the low byte of the destination operand.
  - The **Auxiliary Carry flag** is set when an operation produces a carry out from bit 3 to bit 4

# TEST Instruction



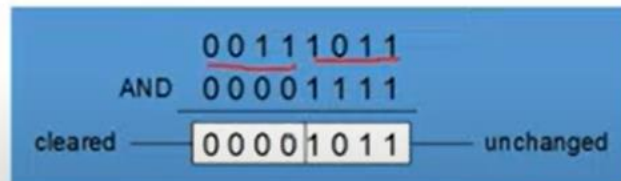
- The **TEST** Instruction performs an AND operation of the destination with the source but **does not change** the destination contents.
- The purpose of the test instruction is to **set the status flags**. The format is:
  - TEST destination, Source
- Effects of flags on test operation:
  - CF, OF = 0
  - AF = Undefined
  - SF, ZF, PF reflect the result

## AND Instruction

- Performs a Boolean AND operation between each pair of matching bits in two operands
- Syntax:

*AND destination, source*  
(same operand types as MOV)

**AL = 0011 1011**  
**AND AL, 0FH**



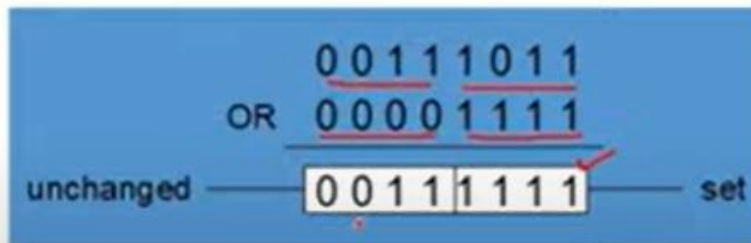
AND

x	y	$x \wedge y$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

# OR Instruction

- Performs a Boolean OR operation between each pair of matching bits in two operands
- Syntax:

OR destination, source



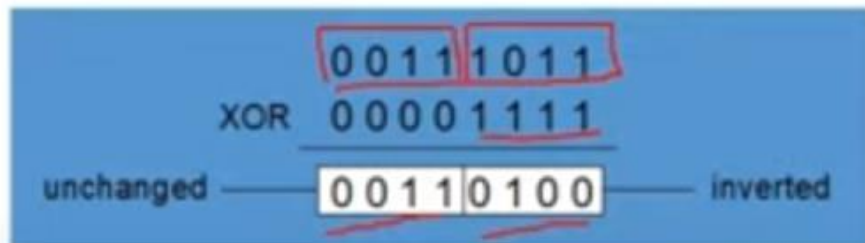
OR

x	y	$x \vee y$
0	0	0 ✓
0	✓1	1
✓1	0	1
✓1	1	1

# XOR Instruction

- Performs a Boolean exclusive-OR operation between each pair of matching bits in two operands
- Syntax:

***XOR destination, source***



XOR

x	y	$x \oplus y$
0	0	0 ✓
0	1	1 ✓
1	0	1
1	1	0

XOR is a useful way to toggle (invert) the bits in an operand.

# NOT Instruction

- Performs a Boolean NOT operation on a single destination operand
- Syntax:

**NOT** destination

NOT    0 0 1 1 1 0 1 1  
                               
         1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 ——— inverted

NOT

X	$\neg X$
<u>F</u>	<u>T</u>
<u>T</u>	<u>F</u>



## Problem-1

- Task: Convert the character in AL to upper case.
- Solution: Use the AND instruction to clear bit 5.

```
mov al, 'a'  
and al, 11011111b
```

; AL = 97 = 011000001b

; AL = 65 = 010000001b

# Bit Examination on TEST



- TEST instruction can be used to examine individual bits in operand.
- The mask should contain **1's** in the bit positions to be tested and **0's** elsewhere
  - As **1 AND b = b, 0 AND b = 0**
- The operation **TEST destination, mask**
- Will have 1's in the tested bit positions if and only if the destination has 1's in these positions; and 0's elsewhere.
- if the destination has 0's in all the tested positions, the result will be 0 and thus ZF=1

## Problem-2

- **Task:** Convert a binary decimal byte into its equivalent ASCII decimal digit.
- **Solution:** Use the OR instruction to set bits 4 and 5.

<code>mov al, <u>6</u></code>	<code>; AL = 6 = 00000110b</code>
<code>or al, 00<u>11</u>0000b</code>	<code>; AL = <u>54</u> = 00<u>11</u>0110b</code>

# TEST Instruction

- Bitwise AND operation between each pair of bits

TEST Destination, Source

- The flags are affected similar to the AND Instruction.
- However, TEST does NOT modify the destination operand. The Zero flag is affected.
- TEST instruction can check several bits at once.
- Example: Test whether bit 0 or bit 3 is set in AL

Solution: test al,00001001b      Test bits 0 & 3

- We only need to check the zero flag.
  - If zero flag  $\Rightarrow$  both bits 0 and 3 are clear.
  - If Not zero  $\Rightarrow$  either bit 0 or 3 is set.

# CMP Instruction

- Compares the destination operand to the source operand
  - **Nondestructive subtraction of source from destination** (destination operand is not changed)
- Syntax: `CMP destination, source`
- Example: **destination = source**

```
mov al,5  
cmp al,5
```

✓  
; Zero flag set

- Example: **destination < source**

```
mov al,4  
cmp al,5
```

✓  
; Carry flag set

Handwritten calculation:  
4  
- 5  
---  
1

# CMP Instruction

- Example: destination > source

```
mov al,6  
cmp al,5           ; ZF = 0, CF = 0
```

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ - 5 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

(both the Zero and Carry flags are clear)

# Find Even Number



- **Example:** Jump to label BELOW If AL contains an even number.
- **Solution:** Even numbers have a 0 in bit 0. Thus, the mask is 00000001b=1
  - TEST AL, 1
  - JZ BELOW

- The shift and rotate instructions **shift the bits** in the **destination operand** by one or more positions either to the left or right.
- For a shift instruction, the bits shifted out are lost
- For a rotate instruction, bits shifted out from one end of the operand are put back into the other end.
- The instruction have two possible formats. For a single shift or rotate, the form is
  - **Opcode destination,1**
- For a shift or rotate of **N** positions, the form is
  - **Opcode destination, CL**
- Where CL contains N In both cases, destination is an 8- or 16-bit register or memory location.



# Shift Instructions...



- Shift or Rotate instructions can be used to **multiply and divide by powers of 2**, and we will use them in programs for binary and hex I/O

\*\*\*Note that for Intel's more advanced processors, a shift or rotate instruction also allows the use of an 8-bit **constant**.

# Left Shift (SHL) Instructions



- The SHL (shift left) instruction shifts the bits in the destination to the left. The format for a single shift is
  - SHL destination, 1
- A 0 is shifted into the **rightmost bit position** and the **msb is shifted into CF**. If the shift count **N** is different from 1, the instruction takes the form
  - **SHL destination, CL** (Here **CL** contains **N** and the above instruction made N single shifts)
    - The value of CL remains the same after the shift operation

## Effect on flags

SF, PF, ZF reflect the result

AF is undefined

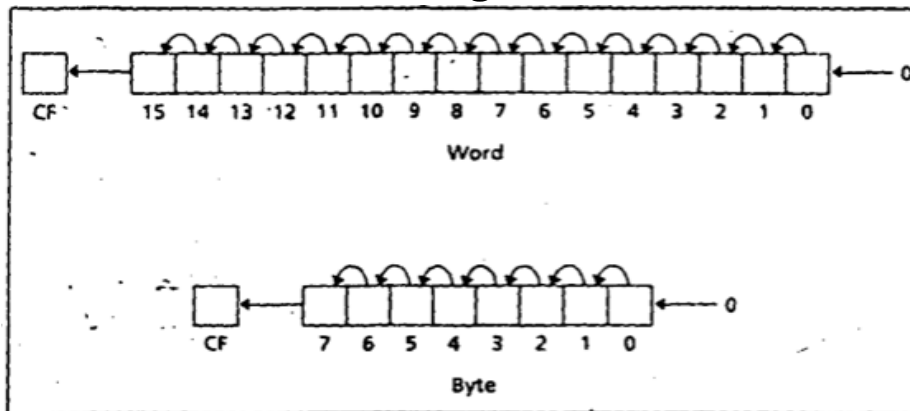
CF = last bit shifted out

OF = 1 if result changes sign on last shift

# SHL Instruction



- Example: Suppose DH contains **8Ah** and **CL** contains **3**. What are the values of DH and of CF after the instruction **SHL DH,CL** is executed?
- The binary value of DH is **10001010**. After **3 left shifts**, CF will contain 0. The new contents of DH may be obtained by
- Erasing the leftmost three bits
- Adding three zero bits to the right end, thus 01010000b = 50h.



# Multiplication by Left Shift



- Let us consider a decimal number 235.
  - If each digit is shifted left and 0 is attached on the right end, we get 2350 which is same as multiplying by 10.
  - Similarly, a left shift on a binary number multiplies it by 2.
- For example, suppose that AL contains  $5 = 00000101b$ 
  - A left shift gives  $00001010b = 10$  thus doubling its value.
  - Another left shift yields  $00010100 = 20d$ , so it is doubled again.

# Shift Arithmetic Left (SAL)

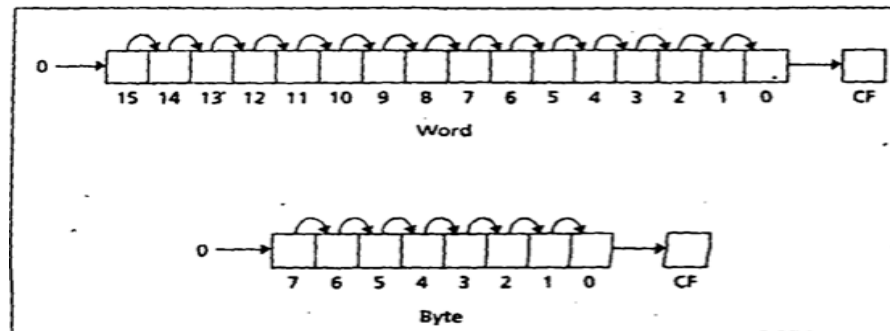


- SHL Instruction can be used to multiply an operand by multiples of 2.
- However, to emphasize the arithmetic nature of the operation the opcode SAL (shift arithmetic left) often used in instances for numeric multiplication.
- Both instructions generate the same machine code.
- When we treat left shifts as multiplication, overflow may occur.
- For a single left shift, CF and OF accurately indicate unsigned and signed over- flow, respectively.
- However, the overflow flags are not reliable indicators for a multiple left shift as multiple shift is really a series of single shifts, and OF and CF only reflect the **result of the last shift**.

# Right Shift (SHL) Instructions



- The instruction SHR (shift right) performs right shifts on the destination operand
- SHR destination, 1
- A 0 is shifted Into the msb position, and the rightmost bit is shifted
- SHR destination, CL
- \*\* here CL contains N In this case N single right shifts are made. The effect on the flags is the same as for SHL





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