

14 – ARRAYS & INDIRECT ADDRESSING

COMP256 – COMPUTING ABSTRACTIONS
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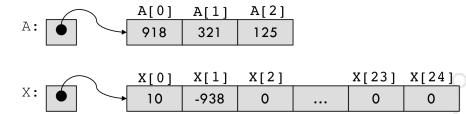
HLL ARRAY ABSTRACTIONS

- Arrays are an abstraction created by HLLs that allow us to store and process ordered lists of information.

HLL Array Code

```
int A[] = {918, 321, 125};
int X[] = new int[25];
...
x[0] = 10;
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int z = A[2];
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Array Abstraction



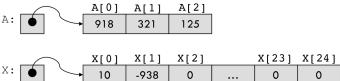
ARRAY'S AND REFERENCES IN MAIN MEMORY

- Like all program data, arrays and references are stored in the computer's main memory.

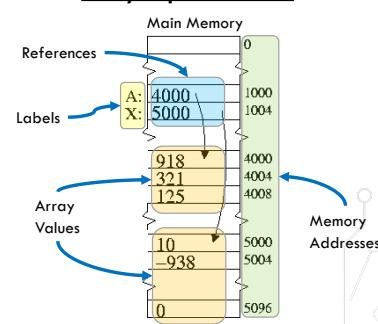
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Physical Array Implementation



ALLOCATING ARRAYS & REFERENCES

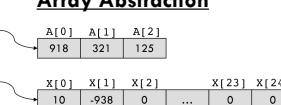
- Arrays are allocated in assembly language using the .word or .space assembler type directives.

HLL Array Allocation

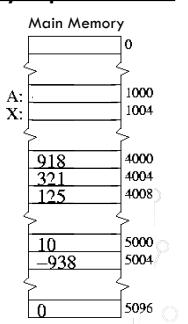
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Assembly Array Allocation

```
A: .word 918 321 125
X: .word
AARR: .word 918 321 125
XARR: .space 100
...
A: 918 321 125
X: 10 -938 0 ... 0 0
```



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THE SYMBOL TABLE

- The assembler uses a data structure called a **symbol table** that tracks the addresses corresponding to the labels in the program.

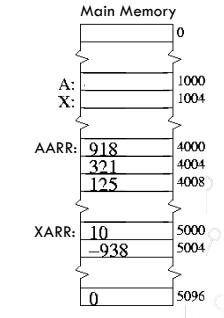
Assembly Array Allocation

```
A: .word
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XARR: .space 100
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```

Symbol Table

Symbol	Address
A	1000
X	1004
AARR	4000
XARR	5000

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CREATING REFERENCES

- References are created using **immediate label addressing mode** instructions, which load the value of a label (i.e. a memory address) *immediately* into a register.

Assembly Array Allocation

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A: .word
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...
```

Symbol Table

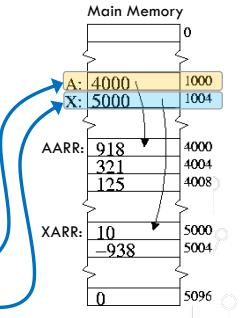
Symbol	Address
A	1000
X	1004
AARR	4000
XARR	5000

Registers

R0:	4000
R1:	5000

Immediate Label Addressing Mode Instructions

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ACCESSING ARRAY ELEMENTS

- Array elements are accessed using **register indirect addressing mode** instructions, which use the value in a register *indirectly* as a memory address.

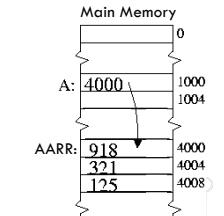
Assembly Array Accesses

```
A: .word
AARR: .word 918 321 125
...
LOAD R0 #AARR
STORE R0 A
```

Symbol Table

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Registers

Register Indirect Addressing Mode Instructions

```
LOAD R1 R0 * R1<-A[0] * R1<-MM[R0]
LOAD R2 R0 +8 * R2<-A[2] * R2<-MM[R0+8]
```

LOAD AND STORE ADDRESSING MODES

- The **addressing mode** (immediate, direct, register indirect) of an instruction indicates how the operands are to be used to locate the data.

Instruction	Example	Meaning	Addressing Mode
LOAD R #	LOAD R1 #27	R1 \leftarrow 27	Immediate
LOAD R L	LOAD R1 X	R1 \leftarrow MM[X]	Direct
LOAD R #L	LOAD R1 #XARR	R1 \leftarrow XARR	Immediate Label
LOAD R R	LOAD R1 R0	R1 \leftarrow MM[R0]	Register Indirect
LOAD R R +	LOAD R1 R0 +4	R1 \leftarrow MM[R0+4]	Register Indirect
STORE R L	STORE R1 X	MM[X] \leftarrow R1	Direct Mode
STORE R R	STORE R1 R0	MM[R0] \leftarrow R1	Register Indirect
STORE R R +	STORE R1 R0 +8	MM[R0+8] \leftarrow R1	Register Indirect

ACTIVITY

- Give the assembly translation of the missing HLL statements.

```
// HLL Code  
int v[] = new int[100];  
  
int p;
```

```
p = v[0];
```

```
v[5]=10;
```

```
v[10]=p;
```

```
v[11]=v[12];
```

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VARR: .space 400  
V: .word  
P: .word  
  
LOAD R0 #VARR  
STORE R0 V
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```
LOAD R1 R0  
STORE R1 P
```

```
LOAD R1 #10  
STORE R1 R0 +20
```

```
LOAD R1 P  
STORE R1 R0 +40
```

```
LOAD R1 R0 +48  
STORE R1 R0 +44
```

PROCESSING AN ARRAY

```
// HLL Code  
int X[] = new int[25];
```

```
for (int i=0; i<25; i++) {  
    X[i] = 2*i;  
}
```

```
* Assembly Code  
XARR: .space 100      * 100 bytes = 25 32-bit int  
X: .word  
  
LOAD R0 #XARR          * Setup reference to X  
STORE R0 X  
  
LOAD R1 #0              * R1 is i  
LOAD R2 #25             * for condition check.  
JUMP COND  
  
TOP: SHL R3 R1          * R3 = 2*i  
STORE R3 R0              * X[i] = R3  
  
ADD R0 R0 #4            * Advance to next index in X  
  
ADD R1 R1 #1            * i++  
  
COND: BLT R1 R2 TOP     * i < 25?  
  
HALT
```