

# Digital System-CNSCC131

## Course Overview

- Hardware
- Assembly coding
- Operating System(new part)
- Note: New assessment policy
  - The weight of coursework 30%
  - The weight of exam 70%

# Learning outcome for assembly language

- ✓ Master basic knowledge
- ✓ Should be able to do simple programming
- ✓ Have a deep understanding about computer system

# Assembly Language for x86 Processors

7th Edition

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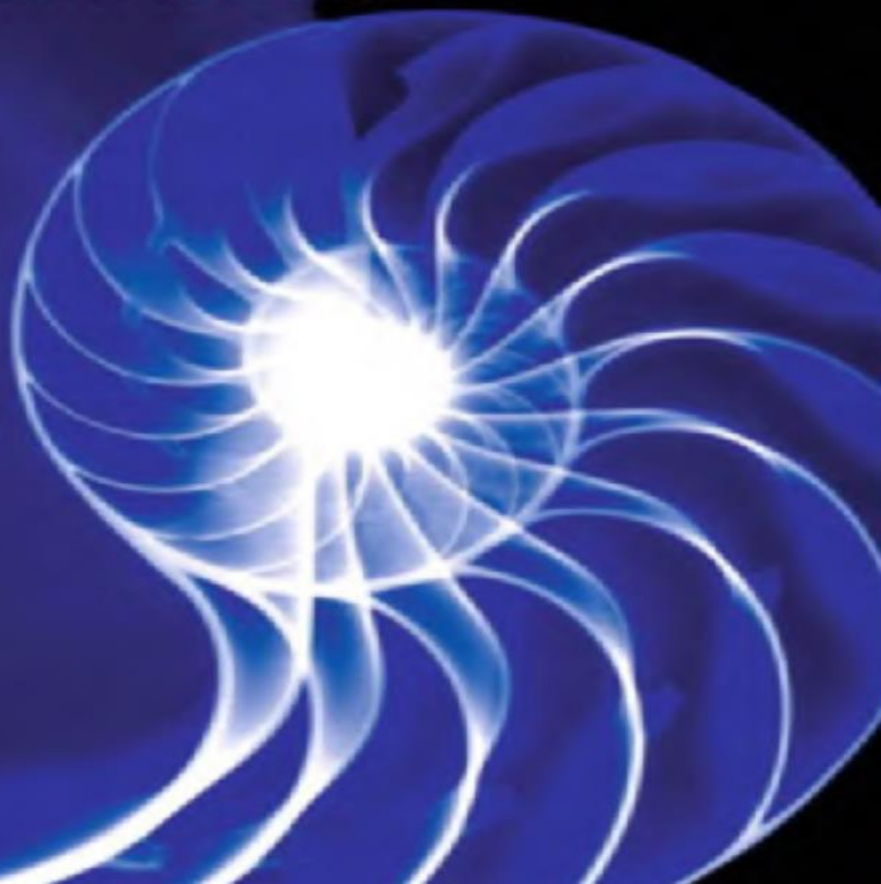
## Chapter 3: Assembly Language Fundamentals

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# ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE

FOR x86 PROCESSORS

SIXTH EDITION



# Chapter3 Overview

- Basic Elements of Assembly Language
- Example: Adding and Subtracting Integers
- Assembling, Linking, and Running Programs
- Defining Data
- Symbolic Constants

# Basic Elements of Assembly Language

- Integer constants
- Integer expressions
- Character and string constants
- Reserved words and identifiers
- Directives and instructions
- Labels
- Mnemonics and Operands
- Comments
- Examples

# Integer Constants

- Optional leading + or – sign
- binary, decimal, hexadecimal, or octal digits
- Common radix characters:
  - h – hexadecimal (suffix 后綴)
  - d – decimal (can be leave out)
  - b – binary

Examples: 30d, 6Ah, 42, 1101b

Hexadecimal beginning with letter: 0A5h

# Character and String Constants

- Enclose character in single or double quotes
  - 'A', "x"
  - ASCII character = 1 byte
- Enclose strings in single or double quotes
  - "ABC"
  - 'xyz'
  - Each character occupies a single byte
- Embedded quotes:
  - 'Say "Goodnight," Gracie'



# Reserved Words and Identifiers

- Reserved words cannot be used as identifiers
  - Instruction mnemonics, directives, type attributes, operators, predefined symbols
  - See MASM reference in Appendix A
- Identifiers(标识符)
  - 1-247 characters, including digits
  - **not** case sensitive
  - first character must be a letter, \_, @, ?, or \$

# Directives

- Commands that are recognized and acted upon by the assembler(汇编器)
  - Not part of the Intel instruction set
  - Used to declare code, data areas, select memory model, declare procedures, etc.
  - not case sensitive
- Different assemblers have different directives
  - NASM not the same as MASM, for example

Directives 伪指令

# Instructions

## (指令)

- Assembled into machine code by assembler
- Executed at runtime by the CPU
- We use the Intel IA-32 instruction set
- An instruction contains:
  - Label (optional)
  - Mnemonic: 助记符 (required)
  - Operand (depends on the instruction)
  - Comment (optional)

# Labels

- Act as place markers
  - marks the address (offset) of code and data
- Follow identifier rules
- Code label
  - target of jump and loop instructions
  - example: **L1:** (followed by colon)

# Mnemonics and Operands

- Instruction Mnemonics
  - memory aid 助记符
  - examples: MOV, ADD, SUB, MUL, INC, DEC
- Operands(操作数)
  - constant
  - constant expression
  - register
  - memory

Constants and constant expressions are often called  
**immediate values** 立即数

# Comments

- Comments are good!
  - explain the program's purpose
  - when it was written, and by whom
  - revision information
  - tricky coding techniques
  - application-specific explanations
- **Single-line comments**
  - begin with semicolon (;)
- **Multi-line comments**
  - begin with COMMENT directive and a programmer-chosen character
  - end with the same programmer-chosen character

# Instruction Format Examples

- No operands
  - `stc` ; set Carry flag
- One operand
  - `inc eax` ; register
  - `inc myByte` ; memory
- Two operands
  - `add ebx,ecx` ; register, register
  - `sub myByte,25` ; memory, constant
  - `add eax,36 * 25` ; register, constant-expression

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# Example: Adding and Subtracting Integers

; AddTwo.asm – adds two 32-bit integers

.386

.model flat,stdcall

.stack 4096

ExitProcess PROTO, dwExitCode:DWORD

.code

main PROC

    mov    eax,5            ; move 5 to the EAX register

    add    eax,6            ; add 6 to the EAX register

    INVOKE ExitProcess,0

main ENDP

END main

Note: only one main proc in one project  
Exclude other main proc from project

.386 means 32 bits program

In the current .model directive, the flat keyword tells the assembler to generate code for a protected mode program

the stdcall keyword enables the calling of MS-Windows functions.

# Program Template

```
; Program Description:          (Template.asm)
; Author:
; Creation Date:
; Revisions:
; Date:                        Modified by:
```

```
.386
.model flat,stdcall
.stack 4096
ExitProcess PROTO, dwExitCode:DWORD
```

```
.data
; declare variables here
```

```
.code
main PROC
    ; write your code here
    INVOKE ExitProcess,0
main ENDP
; (insert additional procedures here)
END main
```

; Template 2

INCLUDE Irvine32.inc

.data

val1 DWORD 10000h

val2 DWORD 40000h

val3 DWORD 20000h

finalVal DWORD ?

.code

main PROC

mov eax,val1 ; start with 10000h

add eax,val2 ; add 40000h

sub eax,val3 ; subtract 20000h

mov finalVal,eax ; store the result (30000h)

call DumpRegs ; display the registers

exit

main ENDP

END main

Note: code must be at the procedure, can not be in data

# Adding Variables to AddSub

TITLE Add and Subtract, Version 2 (AddSub2.asm)

; This program adds and subtracts 32-bit unsigned  
; integers and stores the sum in a variable.

INCLUDE Irvine32.inc

.data

val1 DWORD 10000h

val2 DWORD 40000h

val3 DWORD 20000h

finalVal DWORD ?

.code

main PROC

mov eax, val1	; start with 10000h
add eax, val2	; add 40000h
sub eax, val3	; subtract 20000h
mov finalVal, eax	; store the result (30000h)
call DumpRegs	; display the registers
exit	

main ENDP

END main

#use watch window to check variable

地址: &sum	列: 自动
0x00F74000	00 00 00 00 03 00 04 00
0x00F74013	00 00

#use memory window to check variable address

名称	值	类型
sum	0x0000000053335333	unsigned __int64

# Example Output

## How to check register

Showing registers and flags in the debugger:

```
EAX=00030000  EBX=7FFDF000  ECX=00000101  EDX=FFFFFFFF
ESI=00000000  EDI=00000000  EBP=0012FFF0  ESP=0012FFC4
EIP=00401024  EFL=00000206  CF=0   SF=0   ZF=0   OF=0
```

If no CPU status flag, right-click , select flag,

NV: no overflow OV: overflow

UP: up DN:down

DI: disable interrupt EI: enable interrupt

PL: plus NG: negative

NZ: no zero ZR: zero

NA: no assistant carry AC: assistant carry

PO: parity odd PE: parity even

NC: no carry CY: carry

# Suggested Coding Standards (1 of 2)

- Some approaches to capitalization
  - capitalize nothing
  - capitalize everything
  - capitalize all reserved words, including instruction mnemonics and register names
  - capitalize only directives and operators
- Other suggestions
  - descriptive identifier names
  - spaces surrounding arithmetic operators
  - blank lines between procedures



# Suggested Coding Standards (2 of 2)

- Indentation and spacing
  - Code, data and labels – no indentation
  - executable instructions – indent 4-5 spaces
  - comments: right side of page, aligned vertically
  - 1-3 spaces between instruction and its operands
    - ex: `mov ax,bx`
    - `add eax, 5`
  - 1-2 blank lines between procedures

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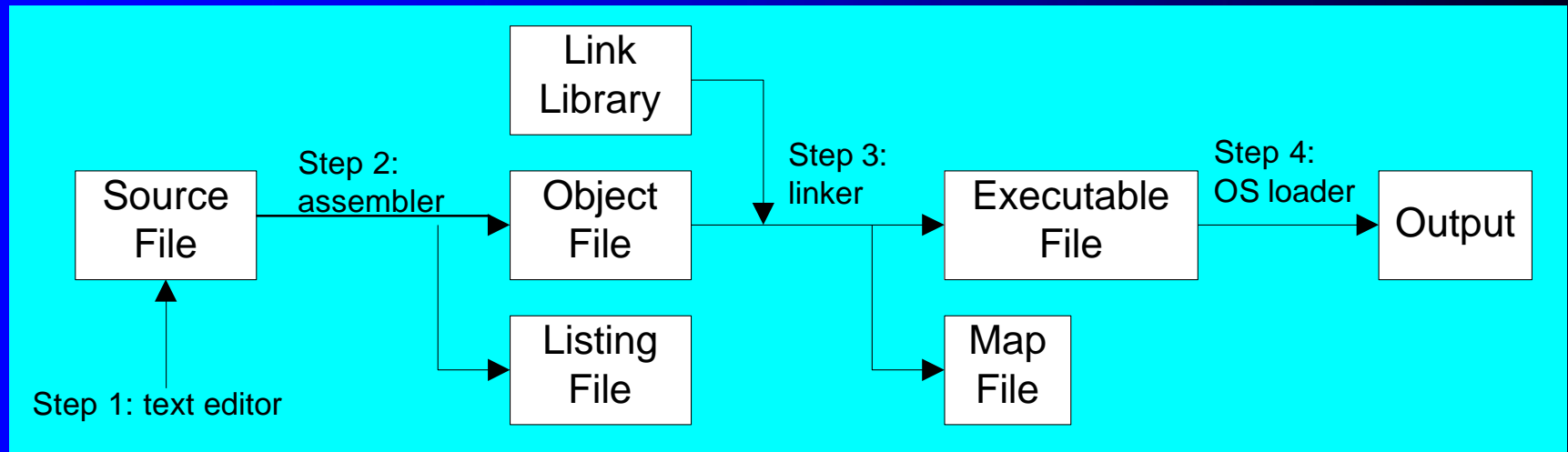
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# Assembling, Linking, and Running Programs

- Assemble-Link-Execute Cycle
- Listing File
- Map File

# Assemble-Link Execute Cycle

- The following diagram describes the steps from creating a source program through executing the compiled program.
- If the source code is modified, Steps 2 through 4 must be repeated.



# Listing File

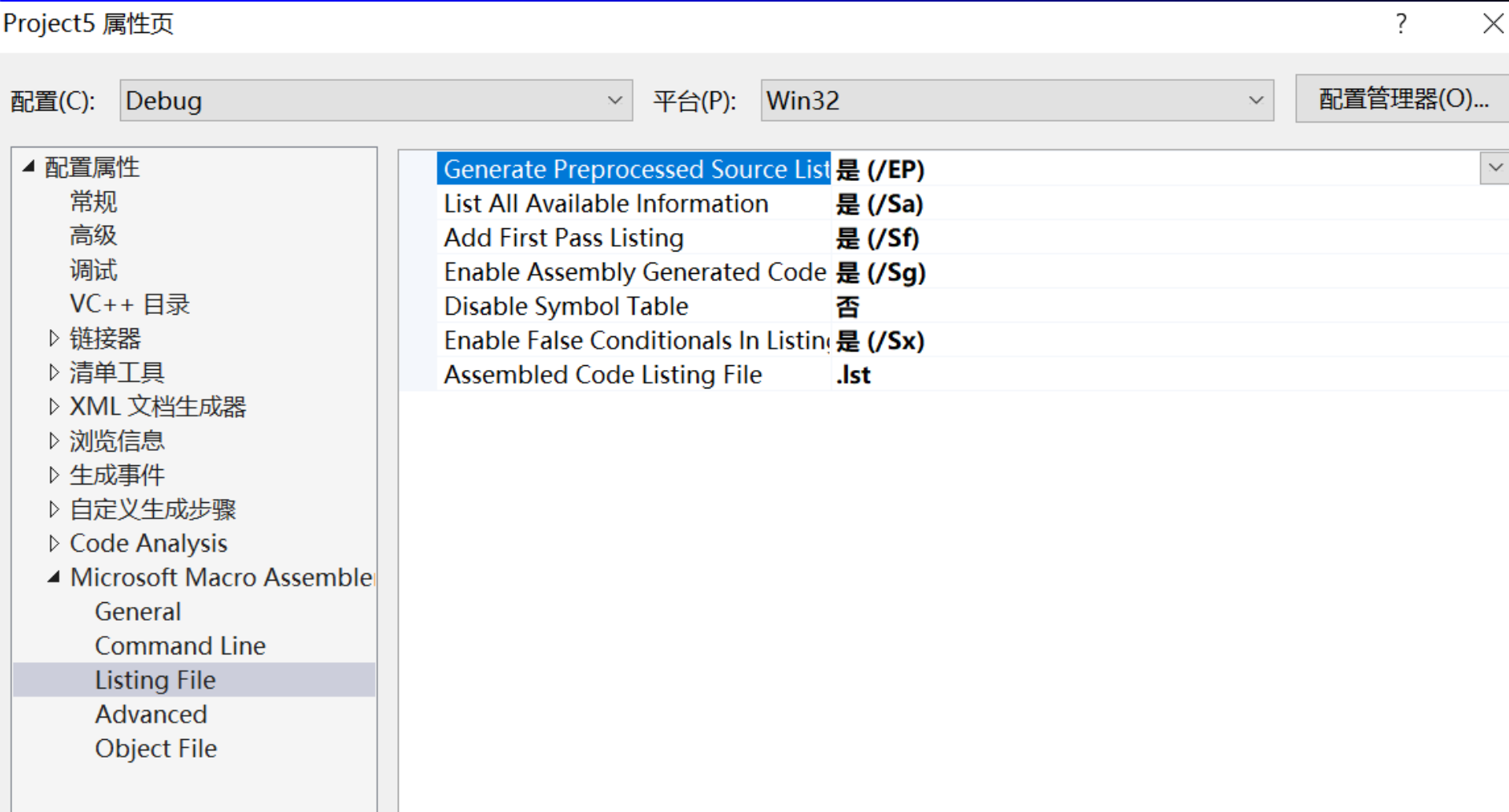
- Use it to see how your program is compiled
- Contains
  - source code
  - addresses
  - object code (machine language)
  - segment names
  - symbols (variables, procedures, and constants)

```

00000000          .code
00000000          main proc
00000000  A1 00000000 R          mov eax,firstval
00000005  B0 80                  mov al,-128
00000007  F6 D8                  neg al
00000009  03 05 00000004 R      add eax,secondval
0000000F  03 05 00000008 R      add eax,thirdval
00000015  A3 0000000C R          mov sum,eax
                                ;call dumpregs
                                invoke ExitProcess,0
0000001A  6A 00          *          push  +0000000000h
0000001C  E8 00000000 E      *          call  ExitProcess
00000021          main endp
                                end main

```

- Set up the assembler property to enable .lst



## In anti-assembly mode

mov eax,firstval		
00141010 A1 00 40 14 00	mov	eax,dword ptr [firstval (0144000h)]
mov al,-128		
00141015 B0 80	mov	al,80h
neg al		
00141017 F6 D8	neg	al
add eax,secondval		
00141019 03 05 04 40 14 00	add	eax,dword ptr [secondval (0144004h)]
add eax,thirdval		
0014101F 03 05 08 40 14 00	add	eax,dword ptr [thirdval (0144008h)]
mov sum,eax		
00141025 A3 0C 40 14 00	mov	dword ptr [sum (014400Ch)],eax



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# Defining Data

- Intrinsic Data Types
- Data Definition Statement
- Defining BYTE and SBYTE Data
- Defining WORD and SWORD Data
- Defining DWORD and SDWORD Data
- Defining QWORD Data
- Defining TBYTE Data
- Defining Real Number Data
- Little Endian Order
- Adding Variables to the AddSub Program
- Declaring Uninitialized Data

# Intrinsic Data Types (1 of 2)

- BYTE, SBYTE
  - 8-bit unsigned integer; 8-bit signed integer
- WORD, SWORD
  - 16-bit unsigned & signed integer
- DWORD, SDWORD
  - 32-bit unsigned & signed integer
- QWORD
  - 64-bit integer
- TBYTE
  - 80-bit integer

# Intrinsic Data Types (2 of 2)

- REAL4
  - 4-byte IEEE short real
- REAL8
  - 8-byte IEEE long real
- REAL10
  - 10-byte IEEE extended real

# Data Definition Statement

- A data definition statement sets aside storage in memory for a variable.
- May optionally assign a name (label) to the data
- Syntax:

*[name] directive initializer [,initializer] . . .*



**value1 BYTE 10**

- All initializers become binary data in memory

# Defining BYTE and SBYTE Data

Each of the following defines a single byte of storage:

```
value1 BYTE 'A'           ; character constant
value2 BYTE 0              ; smallest unsigned byte
value3 BYTE 255            ; largest unsigned byte
value4 SBYTE -128          ; smallest signed byte
value5 SBYTE +127          ; largest signed byte
value6 BYTE ?              ; uninitialized byte
```

- MASM does not prevent you from initializing a BYTE with a negative value, but it's considered poor style.
- If you declare a SBYTE variable, the Microsoft debugger will automatically display its value in decimal with a leading sign.

# Defining Byte Arrays

Examples that use multiple initializers:

```
list1 BYTE 10,20,30,40
```

```
list2 BYTE 10,20,30,40
```

```
        BYTE 50,60,70,80
```

```
        BYTE 81,82,83,84
```

```
list3 BYTE ?,32,41h,00100010b
```

```
list4 BYTE 0Ah,20h,'A',22h
```

# Defining Strings (1 of 3)

- A string is implemented as an array of characters
  - For convenience, it is usually enclosed in quotation marks
  - It often will be **null-terminated**(空白符),
- Examples:

```
str1 BYTE "Enter your name",0
str2 BYTE 'Error: halting program',0
str3 BYTE 'A','E','I','O','U'
greeting BYTE "Welcome to the Encryption Demo program "
          BYTE "created by Kip Irvine.",0
```

Note: 0 should be at the end for string



## Defining Strings (2 of 3)

- To continue a single string across multiple lines, end each line with a comma:

```
menu BYTE "Checking Account",0dh,0ah,0dh,0ah,  
    "1. Create a new account",0dh,0ah,  
    "2. Open an existing account",0dh,0ah,  
    "3. Credit the account",0dh,0ah,  
    "4. Debit the account",0dh,0ah,  
    "5. Exit",0ah,0ah,  
    "Choice> ",0
```

# Defining Strings (3 of 3)

- End-of-line character sequence:
  - 0Dh = carriage return 回车
  - 0Ah = line feed 换行

```
str1 BYTE "Enter your name: ",0Dh,0Ah  
      BYTE "Enter your address: ",0
```

```
newLine BYTE 0Dh,0Ah,0
```

*Idea:* Define all strings used by your program in the same area of the data segment.

# Using the DUP Operator

- Use DUP to allocate (create space for) an array or string. Syntax: *counter* DUP ( *argument* )
- *Counter* and *argument* must be constants or constant expressions

```
var1 BYTE 20 DUP(0)           ; 20 bytes, all equal to zero
var2 BYTE 20 DUP(?)           ; 20 bytes, uninitialized
var3 BYTE 4 DUP("STACK")      ; 20 bytes: "STACKSTACKSTACKSTACK"
var4 BYTE 10,3 DUP(0),20      ; 5 bytes
```

# Defining WORD and SWORD Data

- Define storage for 16-bit integers
  - or double characters
  - single value or multiple values

```
word1  WORD  65535          ; largest unsigned value
word2  SWORD -32768         ; smallest signed value
word3  WORD   ?             ; uninitialized, unsigned
word4  WORD  "AB"           ; double characters
myList WORD  1,2,3,4,5      ; array of words
array  WORD  5 DUP(?)       ; uninitialized array
```

# Defining DWORD and SDWORD Data

Storage definitions for signed and unsigned 32-bit integers:

```
val1 DWORD    12345678h           ; unsigned
val2 SDWORD   -2147483648          ; signed
val3 DWORD    20 DUP(?)           ; unsigned array
val4 SDWORD   -3,-2,-1,0,1         ; signed array
```

# Defining QWORD, TBYTE, Real Data

Storage definitions for quadwords, tenbyte values, and real numbers:

```
quad1 QWORD 1234567812345678h
val1 TBYTE 1000000000123456789Ah
rVal1 REAL4 -2.1
rVal2 REAL8 3.2E-260
rVal3 REAL10 4.6E+4096
ShortArray REAL4 20 DUP(0.0)
```

# Little Endian Order

## (小端模式)

- All data types larger than a byte store their individual bytes in reverse order. The least significant byte occurs at the first (lowest) memory address.

- Example:

`val1 DWORD 12345678h`

0000:	78
0001:	56
0002:	34
0003:	12

# Declaring Uninitialized Data

- Use the `.data?` directive to declare an uninitialized data segment:  
`.data?`
- Within the segment, declare variables with "?" initializers:  
`smallArray DWORD 10 DUP(?)`

Advantage: the program's EXE file size is reduced.

No room assign in compiling stage

Assign space in running time



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# Symbolic Constants

## 符号常数

- Equal-Sign Directive ( = )
- EQU Directive
- TEXTEQU Directive
- \$: Calculating the Sizes of Arrays and Strings

# Equal-Sign Directive

- *name = expression*
  - expression is a 32-bit integer (expression or constant)
  - may be redefined
  - *name* is called a **symbolic constant**
- good programming style to use symbols

```
COUNT = 500
```

```
.
```

```
.
```

```
mov ax,COUNT
```

No memory room

Generally, it is defined in front of .data

# EQU Directive

- Define a symbol as either an integer or text expression.
- Cannot be redefined, 不能重新定义

```
PI EQU <3.1416>    #constant  
pressKey EQU <"Press any key to continue...",0>  
.data  
prompt BYTE pressKey
```

# TEXTEQU Directive

- Define a symbol as either an integer or text expression.
- Called a **text macro** 文本宏
- Can be redefined

```
continueMsg TEXTEQU <"Do you wish to continue (Y/N)?">
rowSize = 5

.data
prompt1 BYTE continueMsg
count TEXTEQU %(rowSize * 2)           ; evaluates the expression
setupAL TEXTEQU <mov al,count>

.code
setupAL                               ; generates: mov al,10
```

# Calculating the Size of a Byte Array

- current location counter:
- \$ is constant symbolic for current address counter
  - subtract address of list
  - difference is the number of bytes

```
list BYTE 10,20,30,40  
ListSize = ($ - list)
```

# Calculating the Size of a Word Array

Divide total number of bytes by 2 (the size of a word)

```
list WORD 1000h,2000h,3000h,4000h  
ListSize = ($ - list) / 2
```

ListSize is the number of word

# Calculating the Size of a Doubleword Array

Divide total number of bytes by 4 (the size of a doubleword)

```
list DWORD 1,2,3,4  
ListSize = ($ - list) / 4
```

Here: ListSize is the number of dword

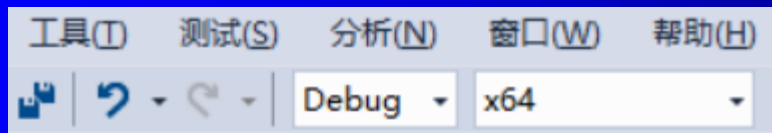


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# 64-Bit Programming

- MASM supports 64-bit programming, although the following directives are not permitted:
  - INVOKE, ADDR, .model, .386, .stack
  - (Other non-permitted directives will be introduced in later chapters)
  - Select X64 platform under VS



# 64-Bit Version of AddTwoSum

```
1: ; AddTwoSum_64.asm - Chapter 3 example.
3: ExitProcess PROTO
5: .data
6: sum DWORD 0
8: .code
9: main PROC
10:     mov     eax,5
11:     add     eax,6
12:     mov     sum,eax
13:
14:     mov     ecx,0
15:     call    ExitProcess
16: main ENDP
17: END
```

# 64 bit register

```
10:  mov  rax,5
11:  add  rax,6
12:  mov  sum,rax
```

# Things to Notice About the Previous Slide

- The following lines are not needed:  
    `.386`  
    `.model flat,stdcall`  
    `.stack 4096`
- INVOKE is not supported.
- CALL instruction cannot receive arguments
- Use 64-bit registers when possible

# Summary

- Integer expression, character constant, string
- Elementary assembly code structure and example
  - directive – interpreted by the assembler
  - instruction – executes at runtime
  - code, data, and stack segments
- source, listing, object, map, executable files
- Data definition directives:
  - BYTE, SBYTE, WORD, SWORD, DWORD, SDWORD, QWORD, TBYTE, REAL4, REAL8, and REAL10
  - DUP operator, location counter (\$)
- Symbolic constant
  - EQU and TEXTEQU